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Medium & High Rate Coding

Lecture 26

Quality, Robustness, Speaker I.D., Possible Vocoding of Other Sounds.

Summary for Chapter 33 - Medium & High Rate Systems

- * Voice Excitation & Spectral Flattering
- * Voice - Excited Channel Vocoder
- * VELP & RELP
- * Wave form Coding using predictive methods.(ADPCM)-(CVSD)
- * APC
- * Subband Coding

Emphasis in an getting a good efficient representation of the excitation.

Representation
of
good Excitation
is still
the basic issue.

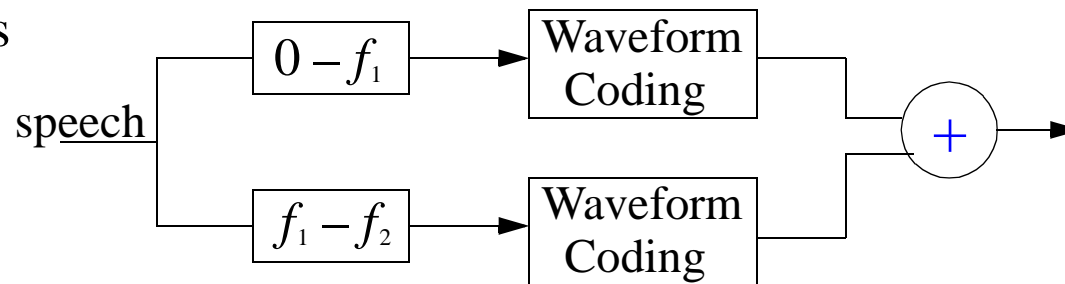
- * Multi pulse LPC
- * CELP ————— Celp is a variation on APC.
- * Reducing Codebook Search Time in CELP.
- * Back Ward Filtering
- * Multi Resolution Codebook Search
- * Partial Sequence Elimination
- * Tree Structured Delta Codebooks
- * Adaptive Codebooks
- * Linear Combination Codebooks
- * Vector Sum Excited Linear Production
- * Adaptive Transform Coding

Accent on Error Signal.

Different Structures for Wide Band & Medium Band Digital System

- * Pure Waveform Coding ——— Subband Coding Pure Waveform Coding
on a channel by channel basis.
- * Pure Modelling

- * Hybrid Systems



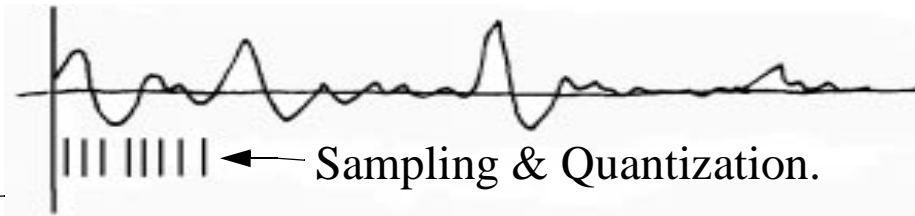
- * Voice - Excited System ——— Excitation derived from same
band limited function of the speech.
- * Processing of the Error Signal to Produce a Band Limited Excitation Function.

APC
 CELP ——— Many Variation
 Multi-Pulse

Pure Waveform Coding

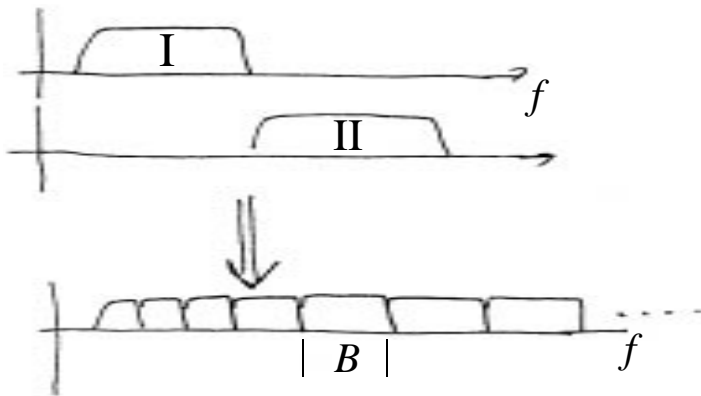
(Very Robust)

Play Molly's tape. ←



Possible Viewgraphs :
Fig.33.8, 33.9, 33.10.

Local max construct ADPCM CUSD



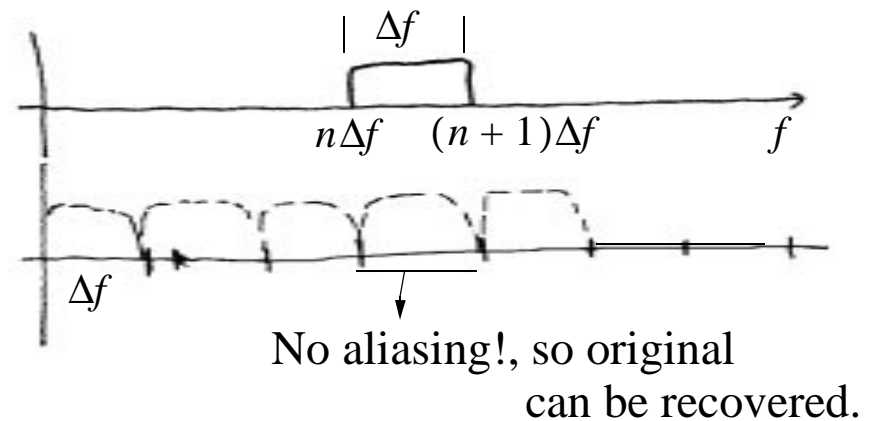
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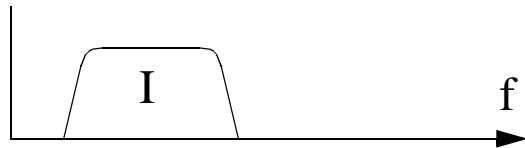
Each band is sampled and quantized.

Important Point : if bandwidths are judiciously clean, sampling can be done at Nyquist rate.

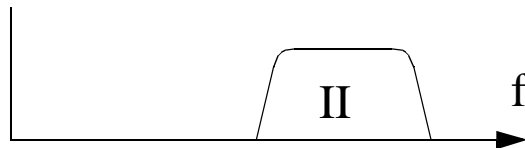
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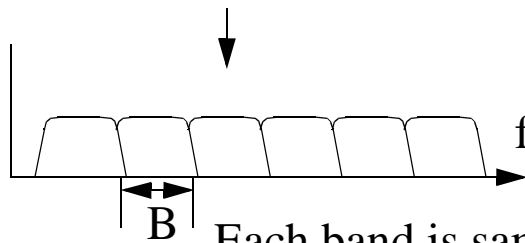
Subband Coding



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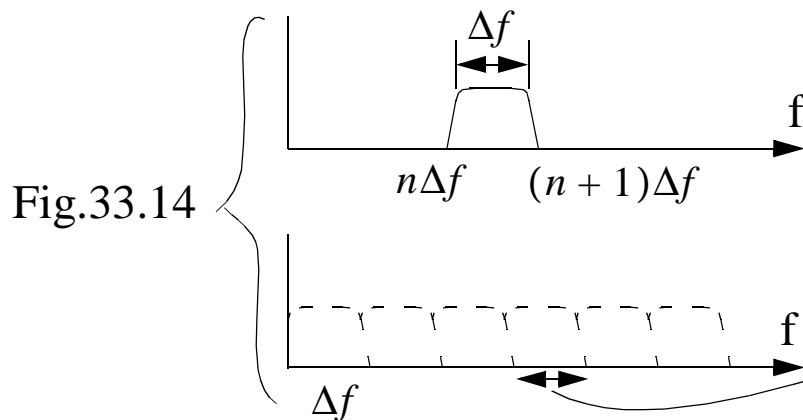


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$$f_s = 2B$$

→ No Aliasing! So original can be recovered.

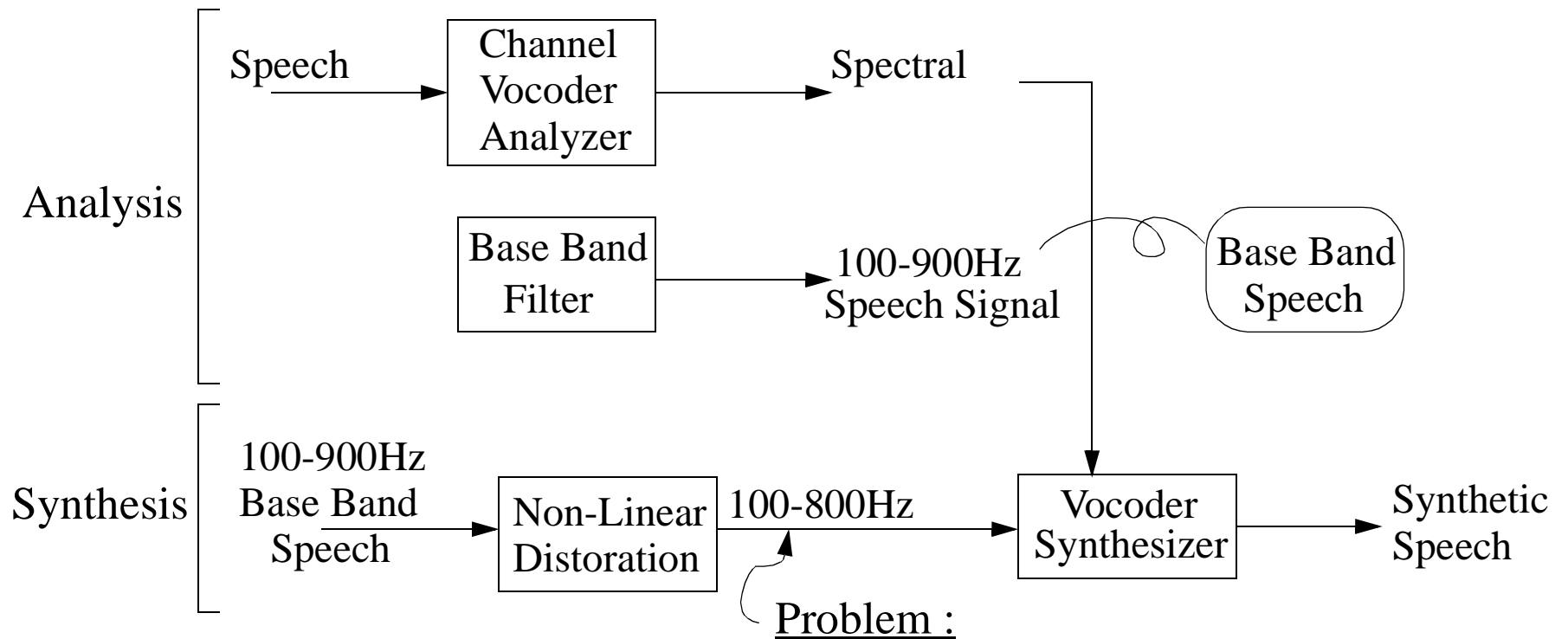
Voice -Excited Channel Vocoder (late 1950's to early 1960's)

Motivations :

- (1) General Faling - Excitation Signal in Channel Vocoder was NOT Robust.
- (2) Possible Transmission of a Wide Band (Analog) Speech Signal (0-8kHz) through an existing Telephone Channel [300-3000Hz].

- * Intuitive grasp of the fact that baseband [0-900Hz], generally carried all the necessary excitation information for vocal channel vibrations.
- * A white noise same use a suitable excitatin for voiceless sounds.

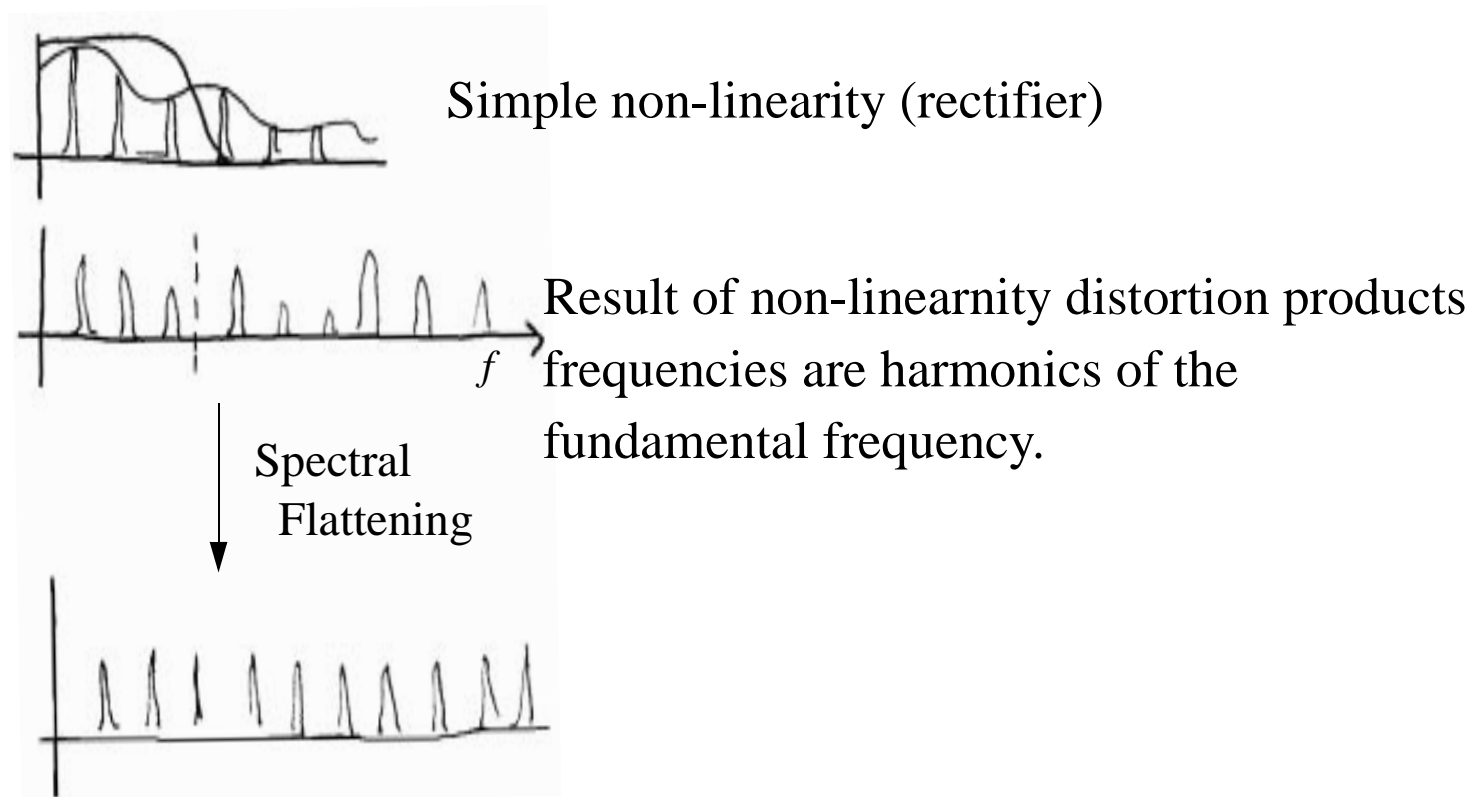
Original Idea



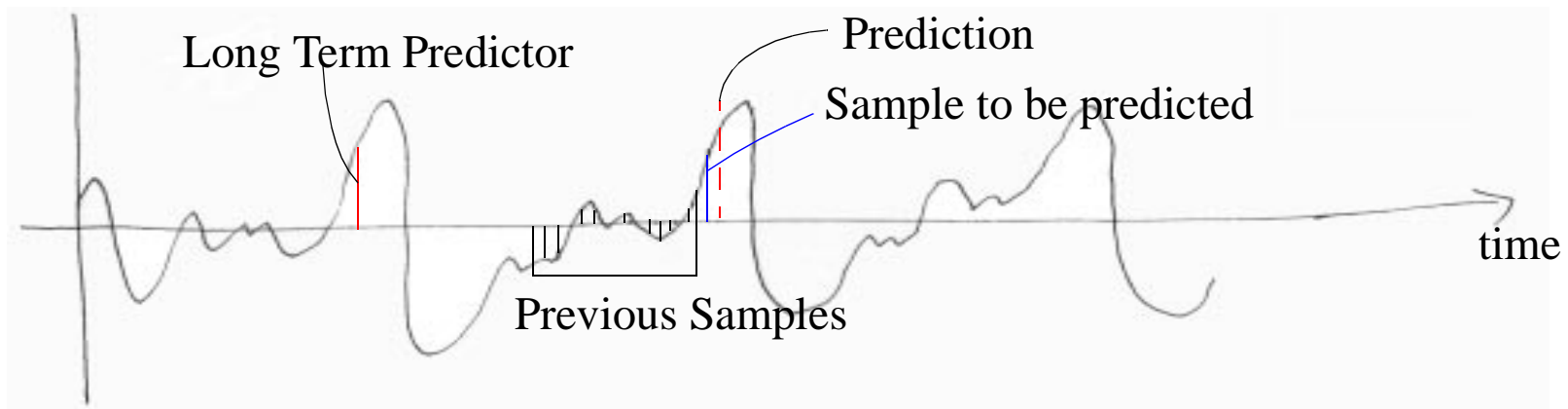
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In early 1960's, Schroeder, David et al at BTL, introduced spectral flattening
-got rid of spectral distortion [more or less].

Base Band Signal



In the late 1960's, Schroeder and Atal introduced APC
-Adaptive Predictive Coding.



Two types of prediction.

$$\text{Predicted Value } \hat{y}(n) = \alpha y(n - T) = y(n) + e(n)$$

$$\text{so } e_1(n) = -y(n) + \alpha y(n - M)$$



Perform LPC Analysis on $e_1(n)$

$$e_1(n) = a_1 e_1(n - 1) + a_2 e_1(n - 2) + \dots + a_k e_1(n - k) + e_2$$

By transmitting a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k and α, M

Major Assumption - $e_2(n)$ is so small

that it can be quantized to 1 bit. BUT SENT at the sampling rate.

Even a ONE bit error signal results in a large bit rate.

If sampling rate is 8kHz, then transmission of error signal costs 8kbs.

Addition of transmitting d, M, a_k 's could be another 2kbs.

 Pitch Detection

If pitch is wrong, first error signal $e_1(n)$ is big.

Early APC Systems Operated at 9600bps.

Major Research Efforts : Reduction of Error Signal Bit Rate.

Key to Error Signal Reduction.

- * LPC - Error Signal is eliminated and replaced by standard Excitation Signals.

(like Channel Vocoder)

- * RELP - Residual Excited linear Prediction.

Low Pass Filter of error Signal - reduced sampling rate.
still one bit quantization.

- * VELP - Voice-Excited LP.

So error signal rate can be reduced [hopefully].

They aimed for 4800 bps.

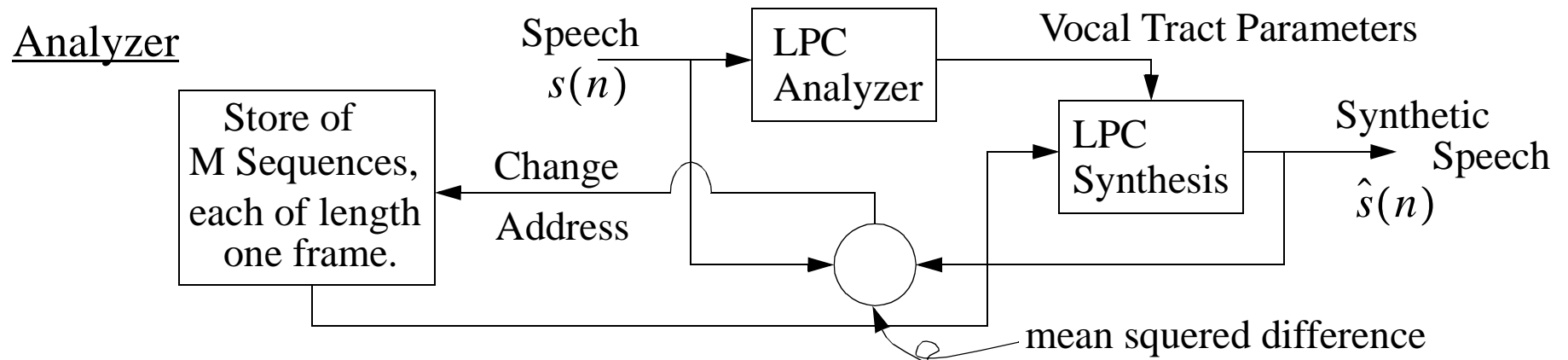
As computer speeds increased, New options became available for
real-time Coding of the Error Signal.

Basic Philosophy - Analysis by Synthesis

- * Transmitting system has both analyzer and synthesizer available.
 - * So Synthetic Speech can be generated at the transmitter.
 - * Using same criteria, the synthetic speech is compared sequentially with the actual speech [perhaps every frame, or every n frames] and synthesizer parameters obtained by analysis VARIED to obtain a GOOD fit between ACTUAL SPEECH vs. SYNTHESIZED SPEECH.
 - * So the best parameters are sent.
- we encountered this idea in the Setevens Halle concept in chapter 17.

Basic Idea

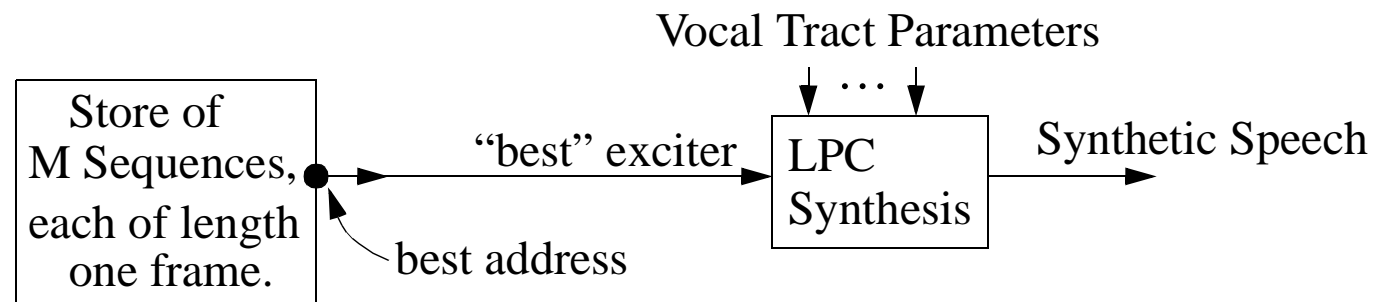
- Replace the one-bit error signal of APC with a vector quantized error signal.



Transmit address of best of the M sequences transmit the Vocal Tract Parameters.

Receiver

This is an example of VQ.



Problems discussed in Chapter 33

- * How to create the stone?
- * Perceptual weighting filter.
- * Delay
- * Reduction of Codebook Search. [In 20ms, the analyzer must perform complete analysis-synthesis many times in a single frame.]
So computer speed must be such that MANY systems can operate in real time SIMULTANEOUSLY.
- * Adaptive Coding. [Storage is adaptive to a different speaker]

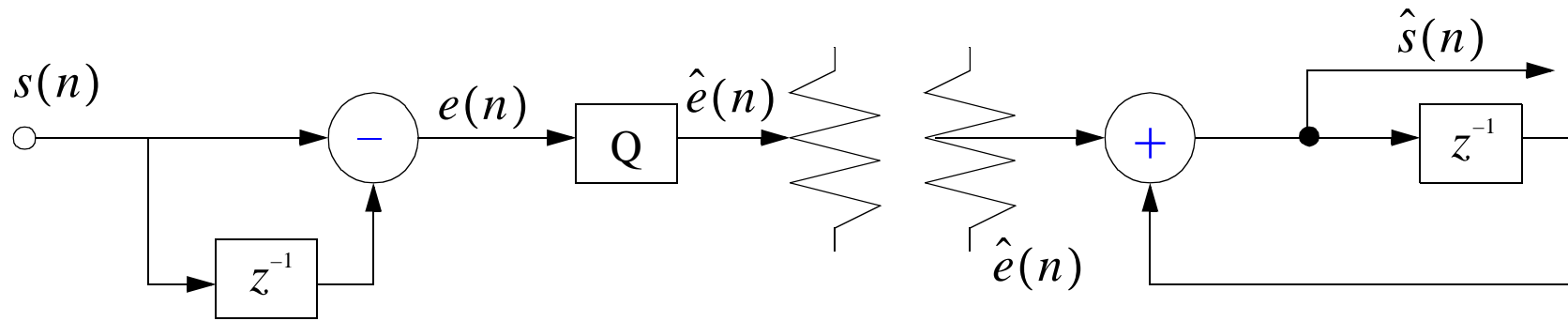


Figure 33.7 : Differential Pulse Code Modulation.

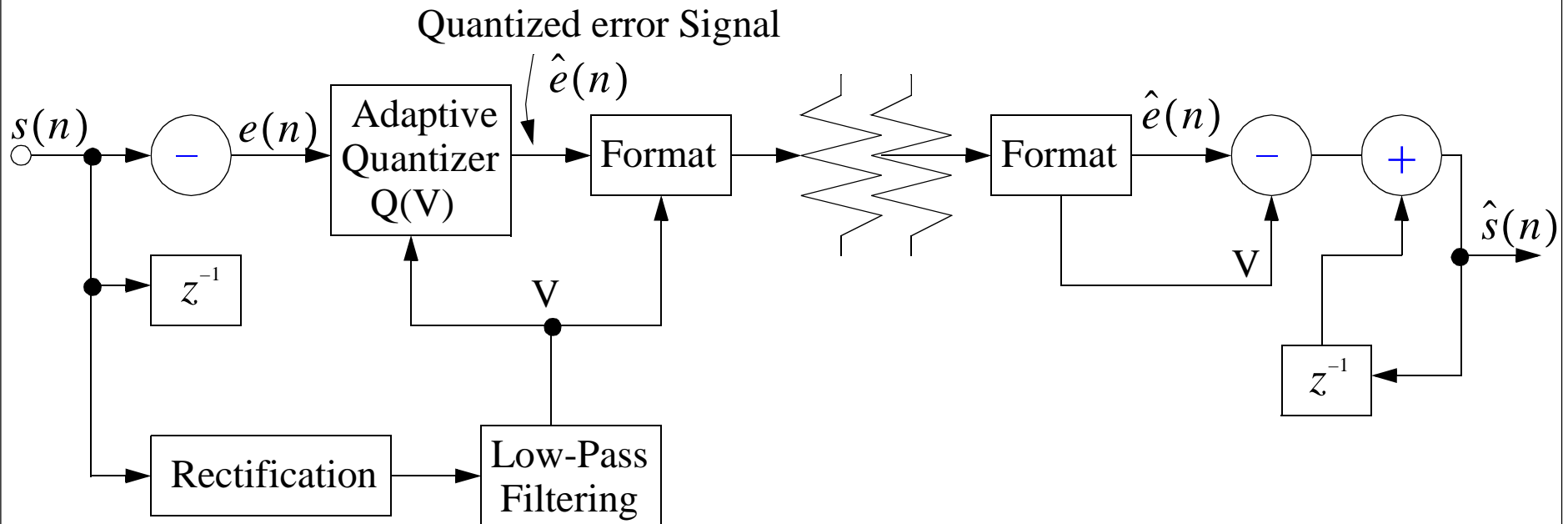


Figure 33.8 : Adaptive Differential Pulse Code Modulation.

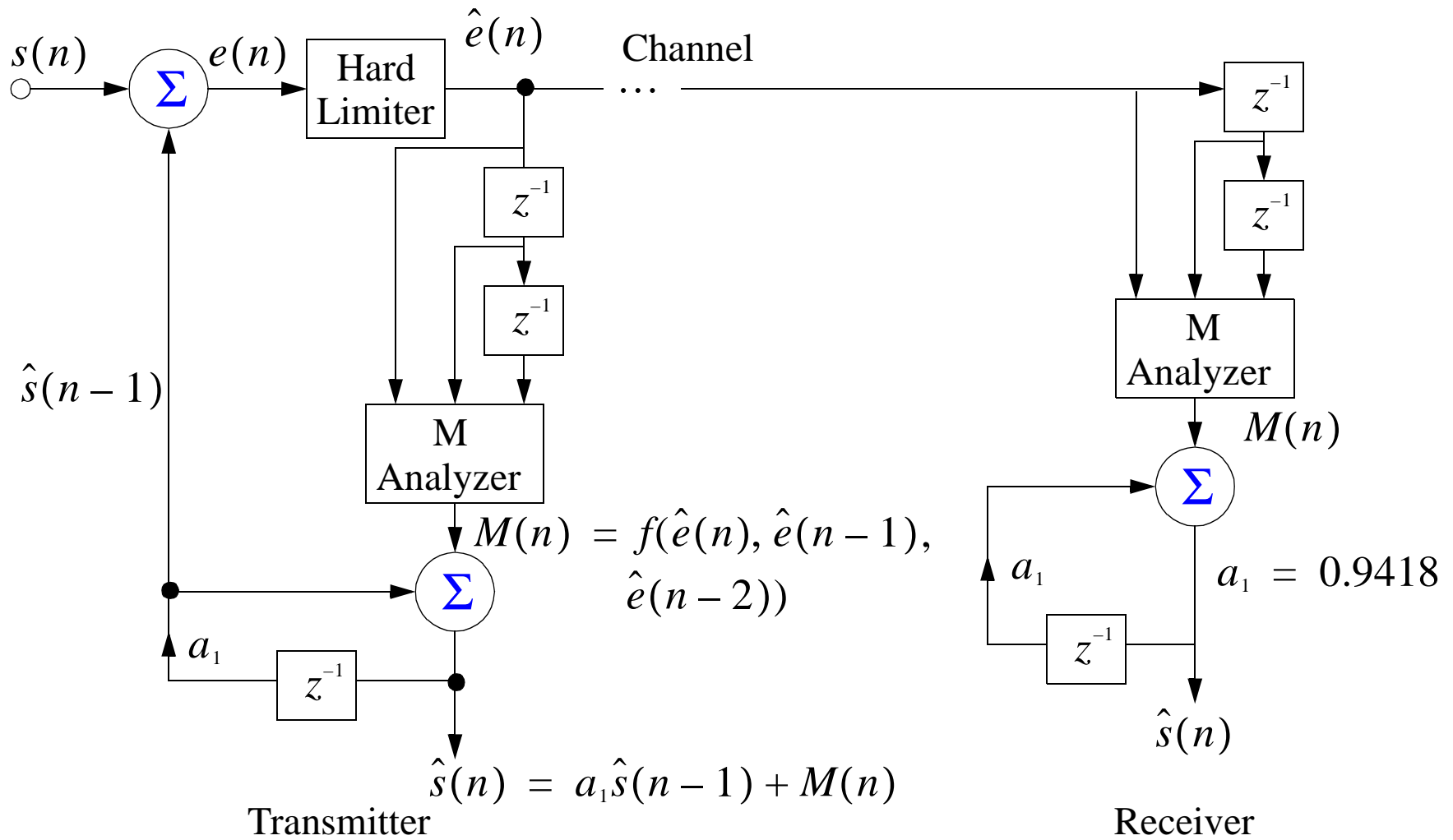


Figure 33.9 : Continuously Variable Slope Delta Modulation.

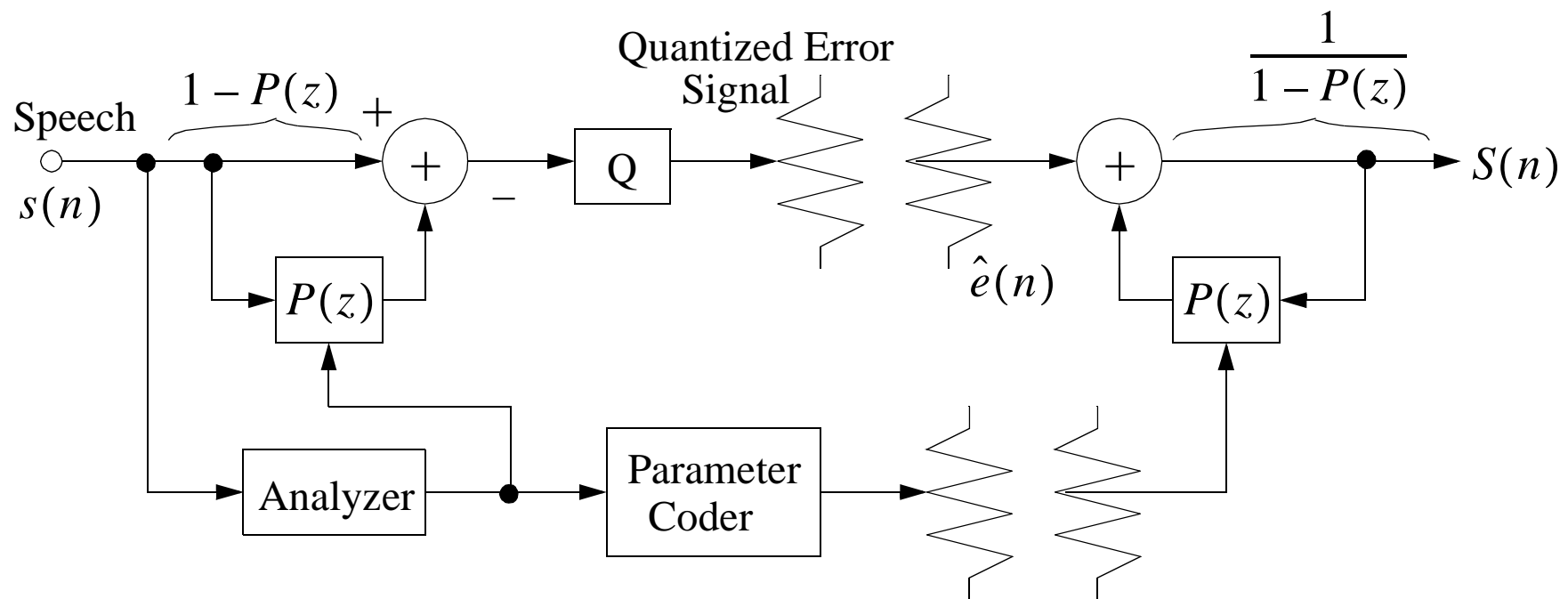


Figure 33.10 : Rudimentary Linear Prediction Concept

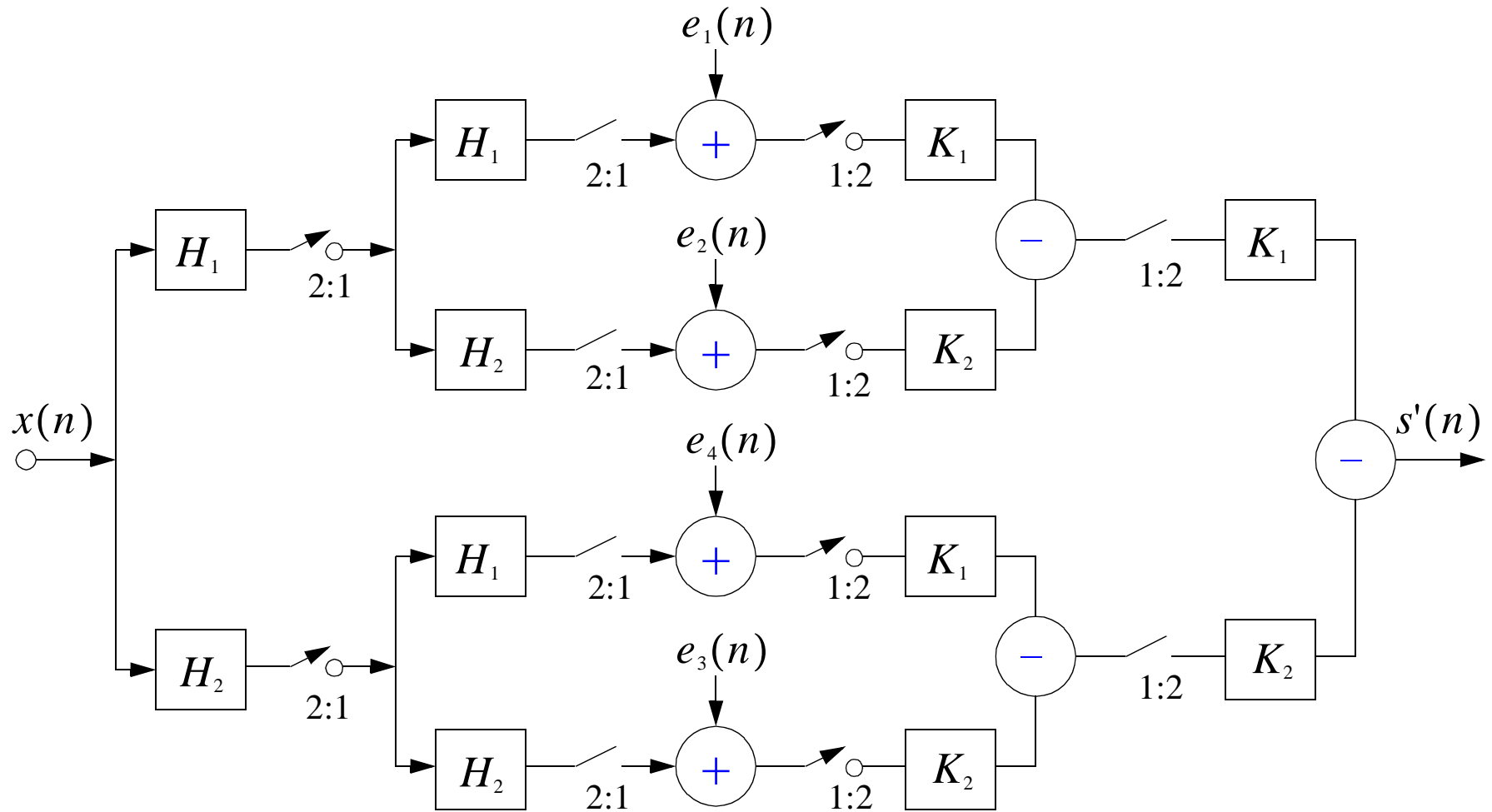


Figure 33.14 : Four Channel Subband Coder with Quadrature Mirror Filters.

OUTPUT

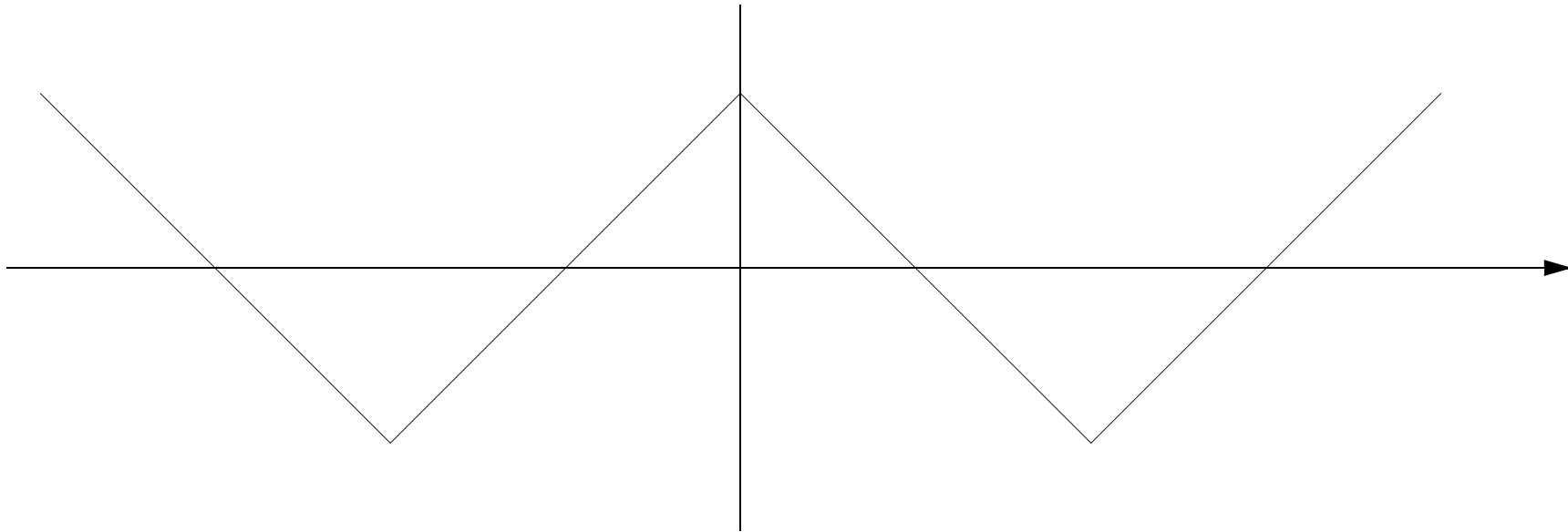
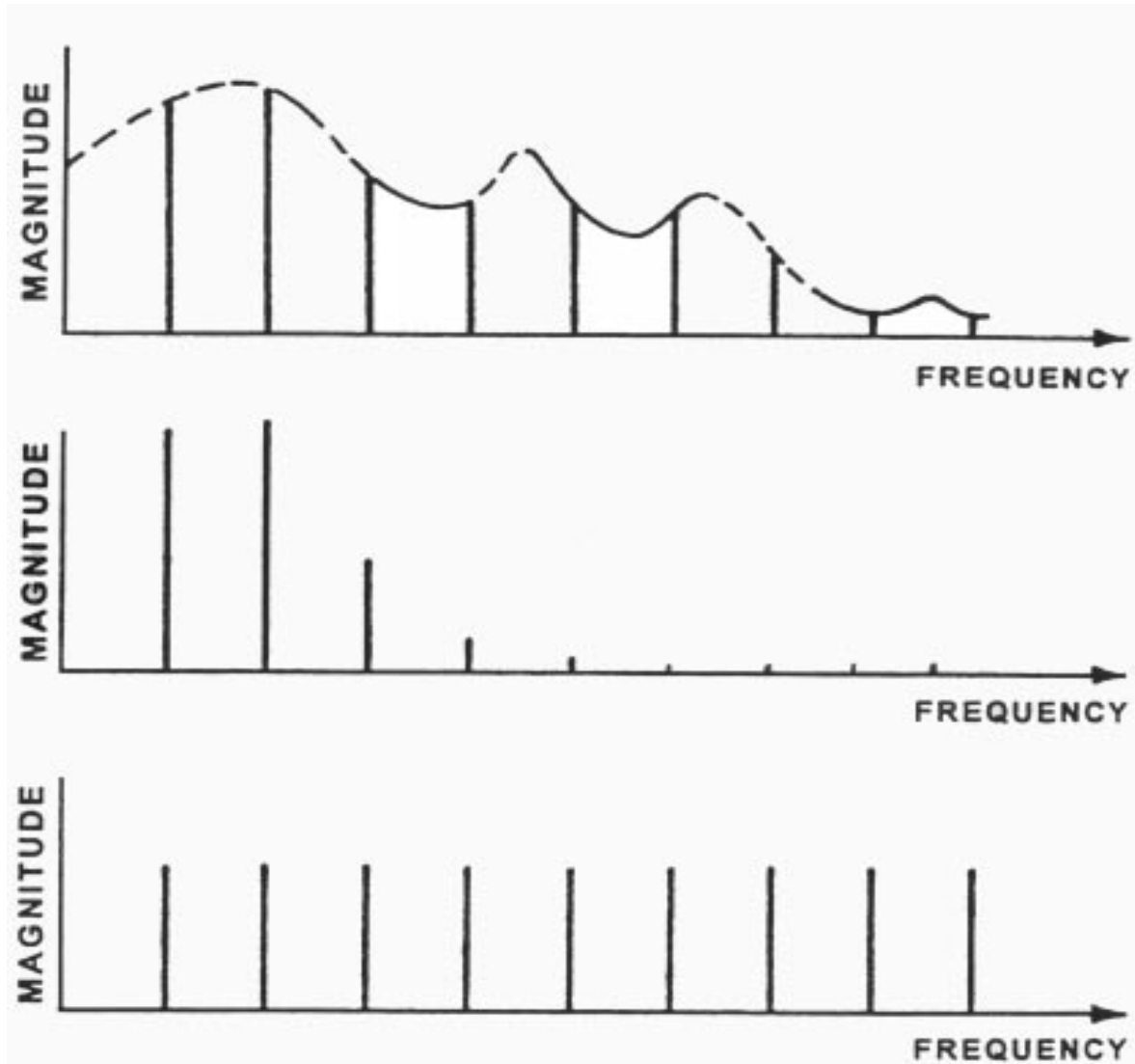


Figure 33.2 : Zig-Zag Network



Frequency

Figure 33.1 : Spectral Flattening of the Base-Band Signal

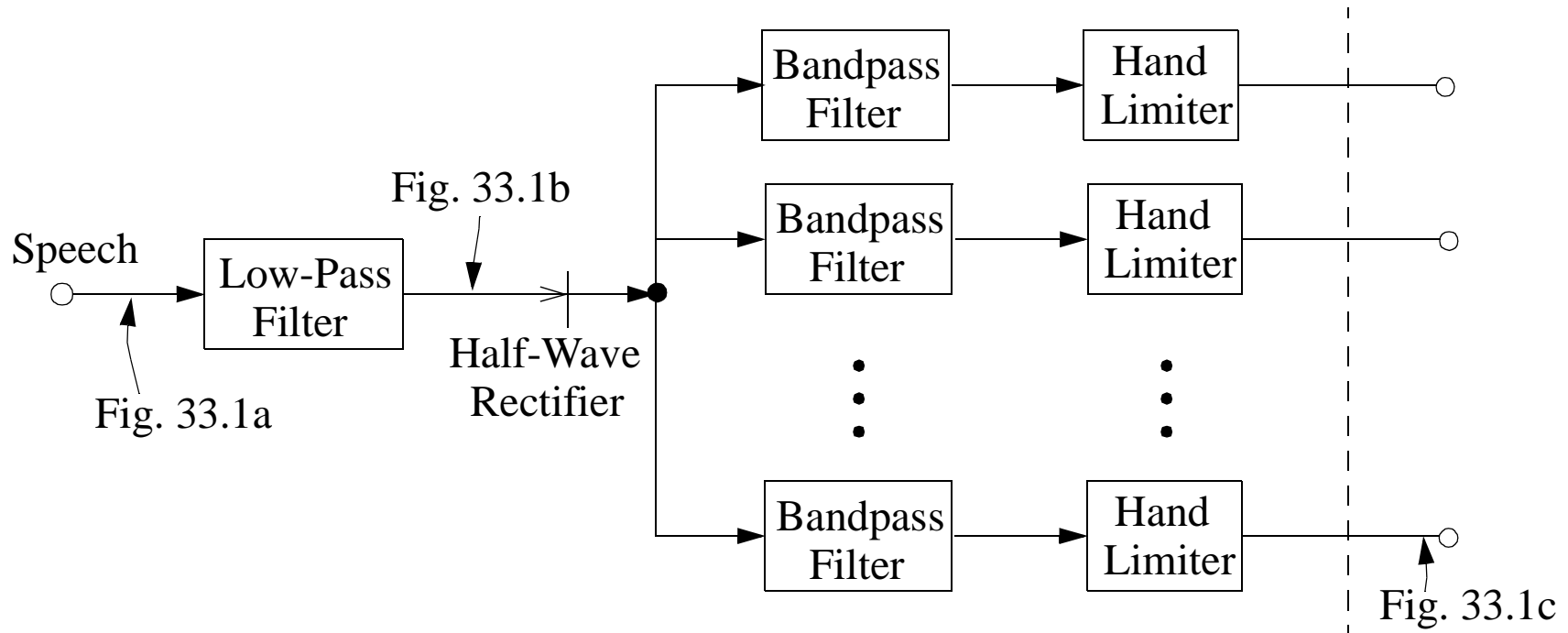
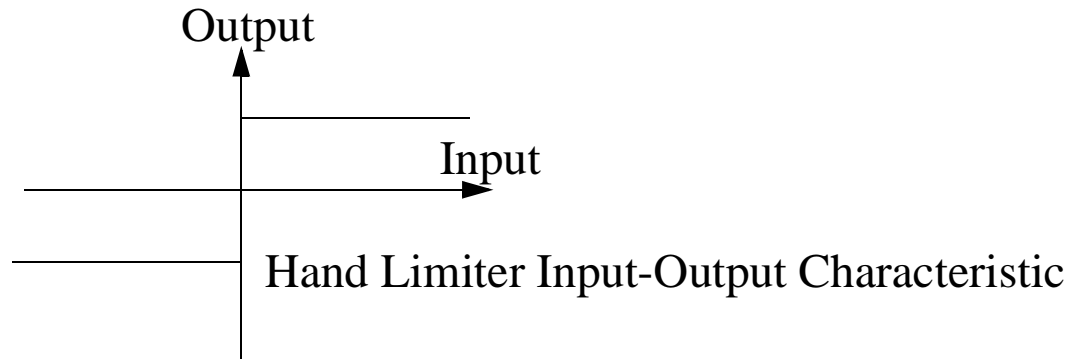
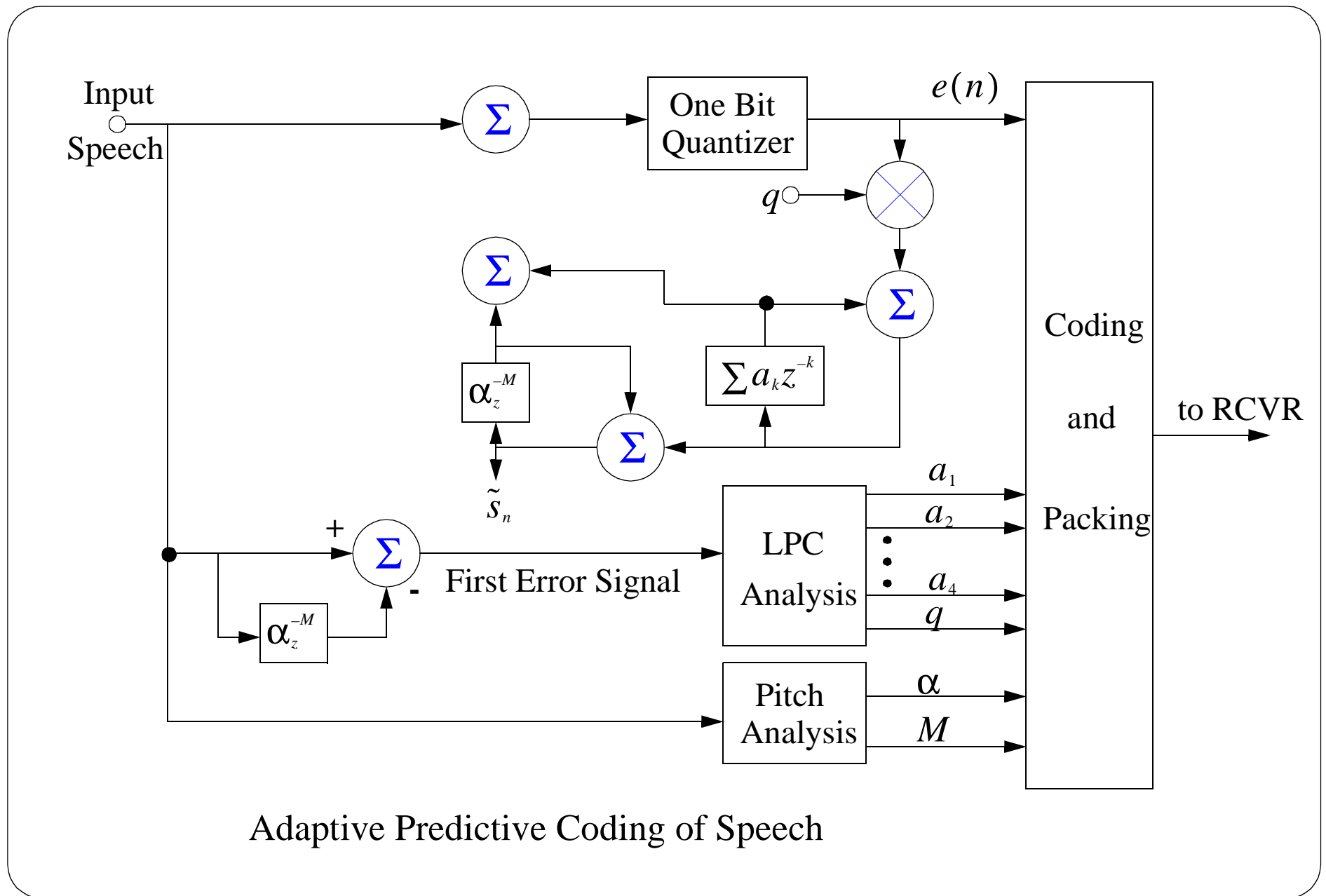
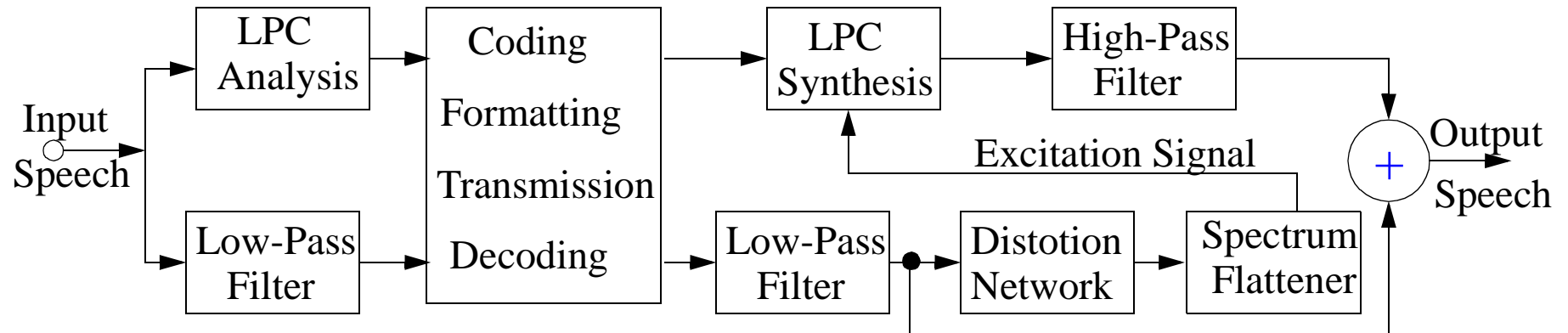
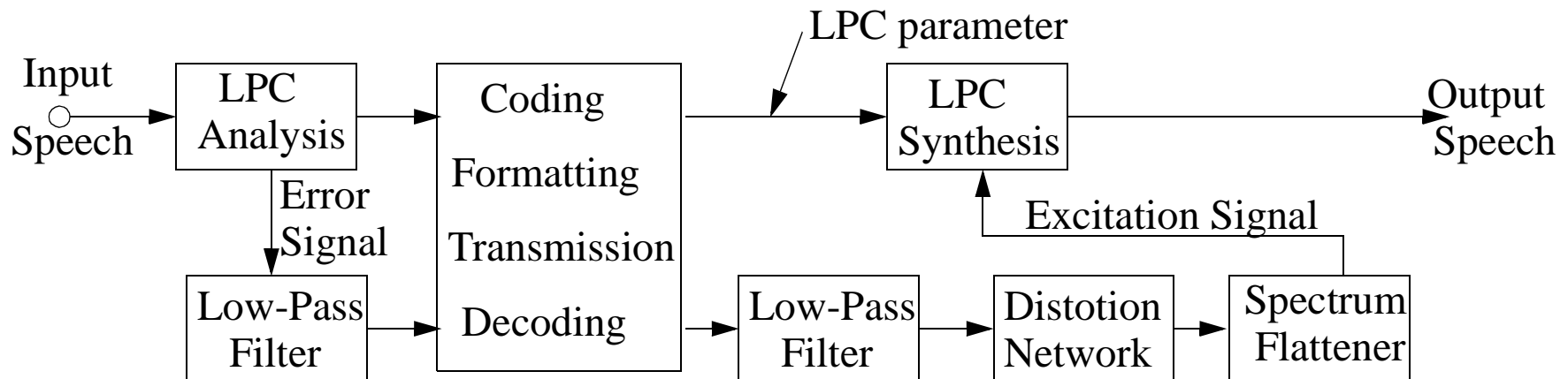


Figure 33.3 : Implementation of Spectral Flattening.



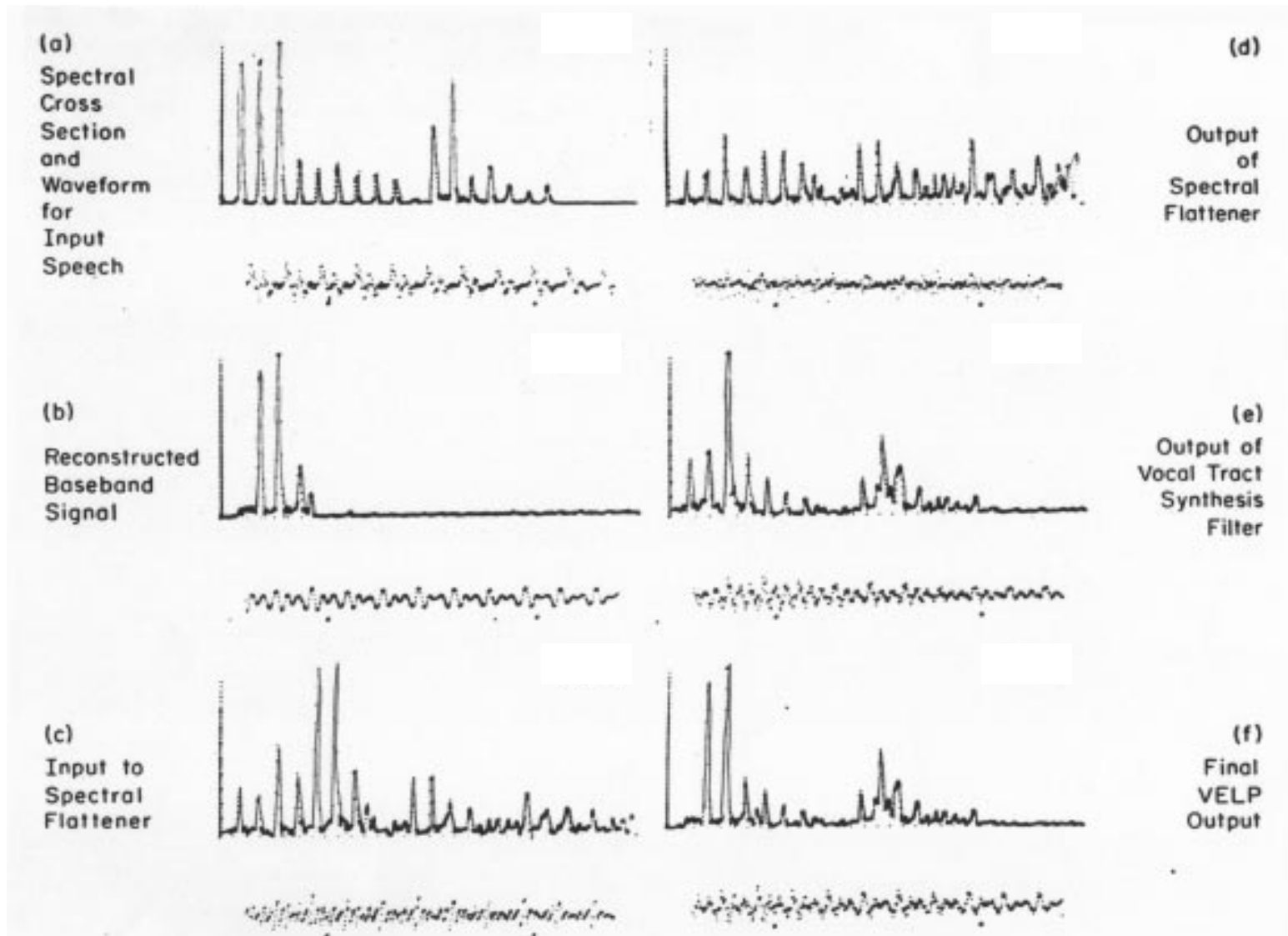


(a) VELP (Voice-Excited Linear Prediction)



(b) RELP (Residual-Excited Linear Prediction)

Block Diagrams of VELP and RELP.



Spectra at different nodes in the VELP algorithm.

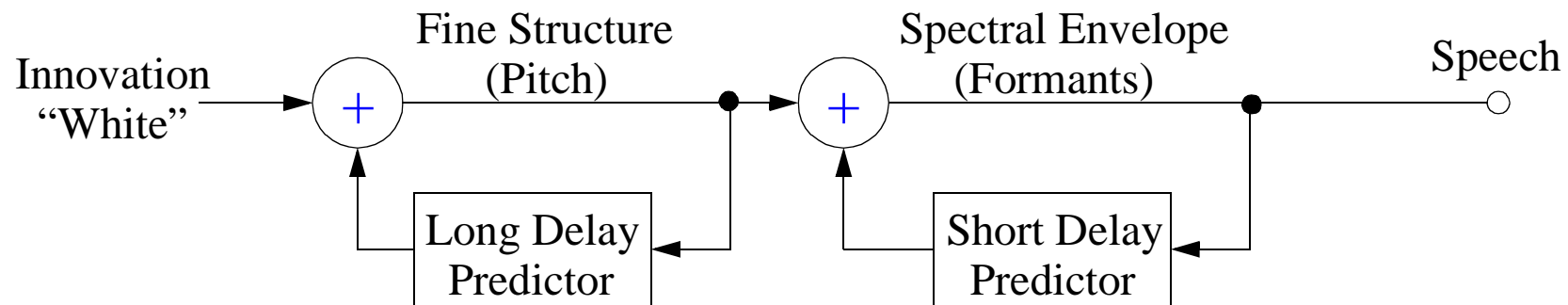


Figure 1 : Speech Synthesis Model with Short and Long Delay Predictors.

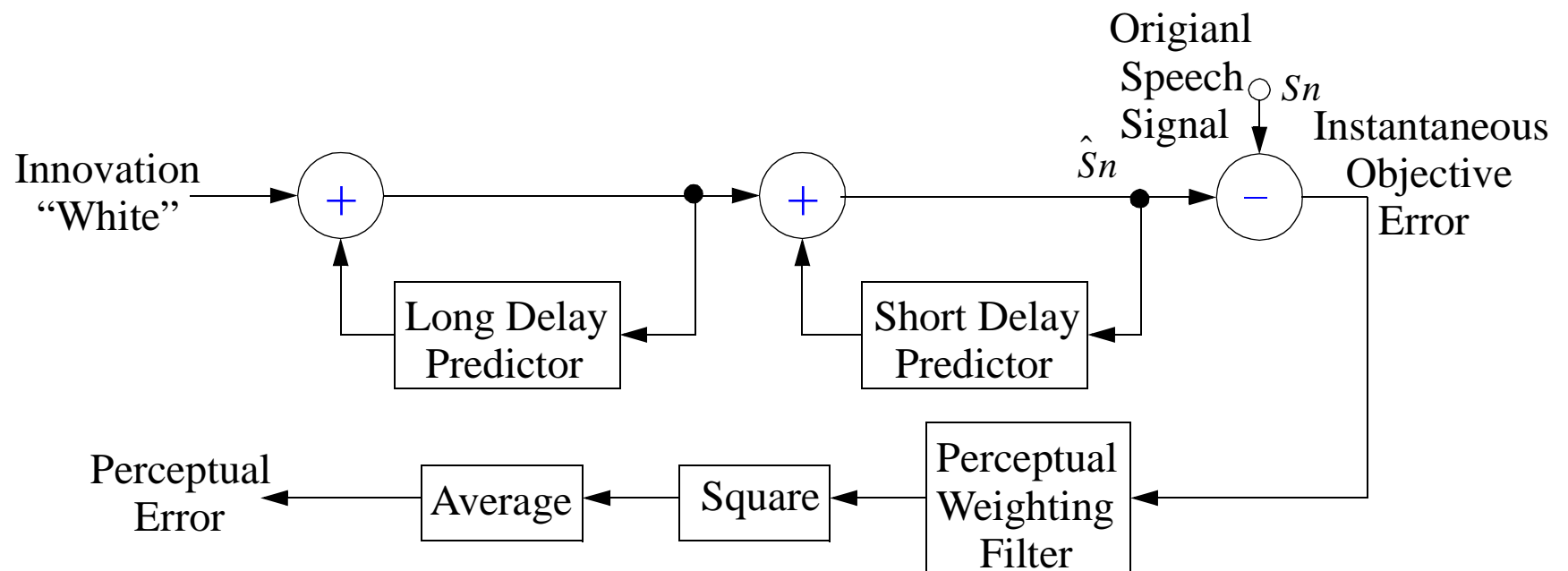


Figure 2 : Block Diagram Illustrating the Procedure for Selecting the Optimum innovation Sequence.

Analysis by Synthesis

How to create the store?

Reduction of delay.

Reduction of Codebook Search

Adaptive Codebook.

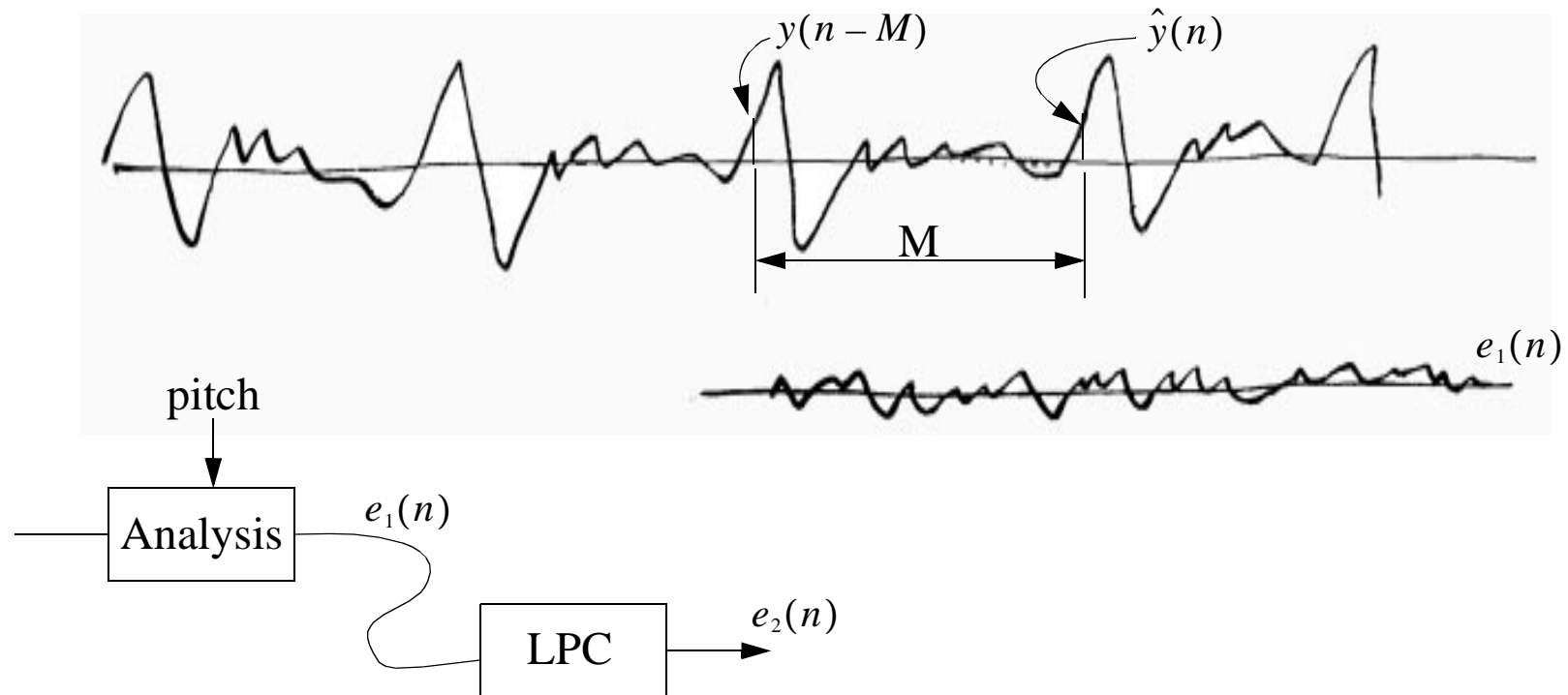
APC 10,000bps.

Bessie Smith

Louis Armstrong.

APC - Adaptive Predictor Coder

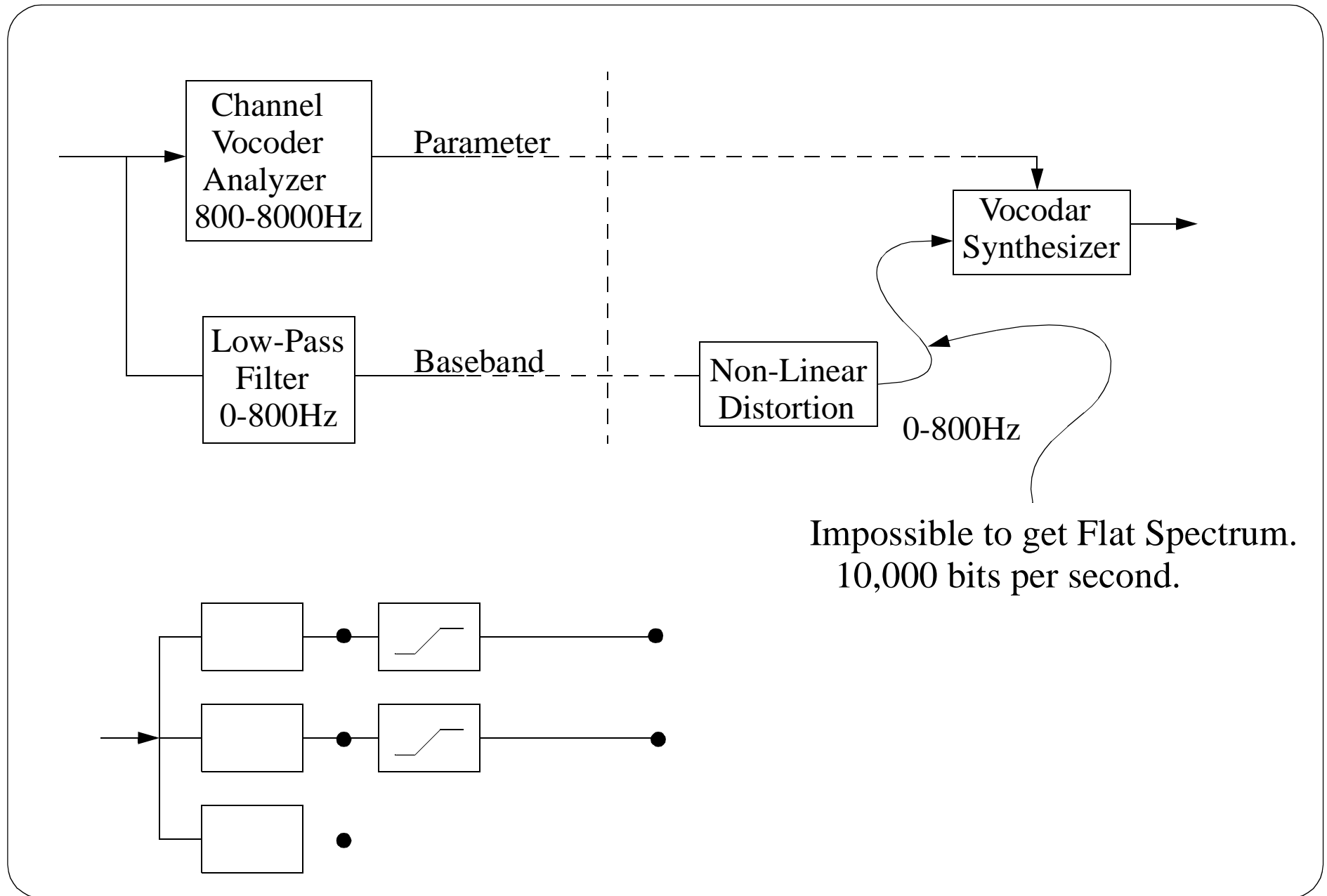
Late 1960's



$$\hat{y}(n) = \alpha y(n-M) = y(n) + e_1(n)$$

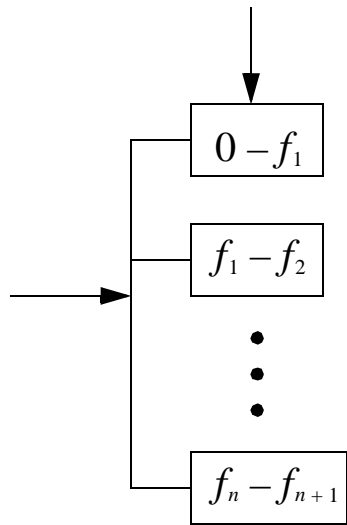
$$e_1(n) = -y(n) + \alpha y(n-M)$$

$$\longrightarrow e_1(n) = a_1 e_1(n-1) + a_2 e_1(n-2) + \dots + \underbrace{e_2(n)}_{i \text{ bit}}$$

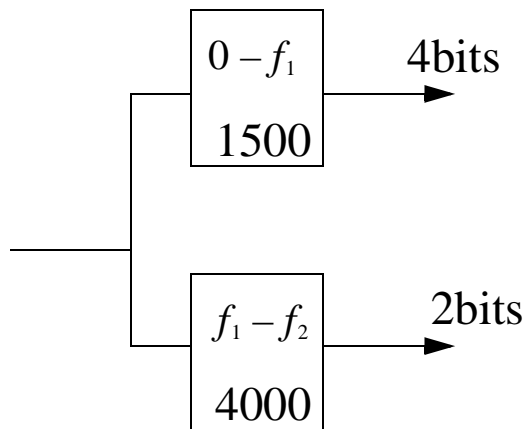
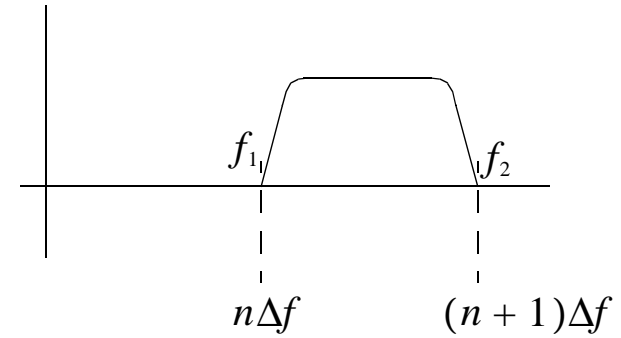


Impossible to get Flat Spectrum.
10,000 bits per second.

Subband Coding

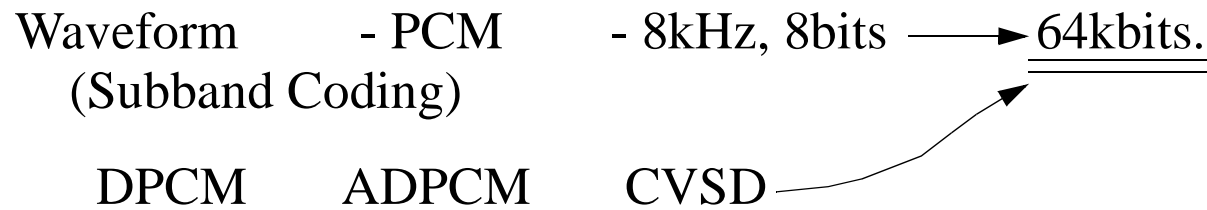


64k bits
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 20-30k bits



Medium & High Rate Systems

Quality	Possible Vocoding of Sounds other than Speech
Robustness	Speaker I.D.



Basic Issue

Efficient Representation of the Excitation.

