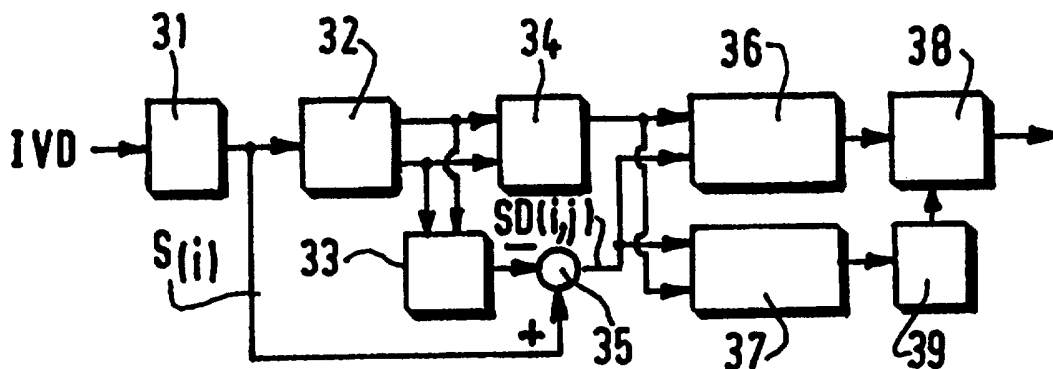




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## (57) Abstract

The invention relates to a video coding method and system including a quantization and coding sub-assembly (38) in which a quantization parameter is controlled by another parameter defined as being in direct relation with the dynamic range value of the data contained in given blocks of pixels. Application: MPEG video decoders.

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