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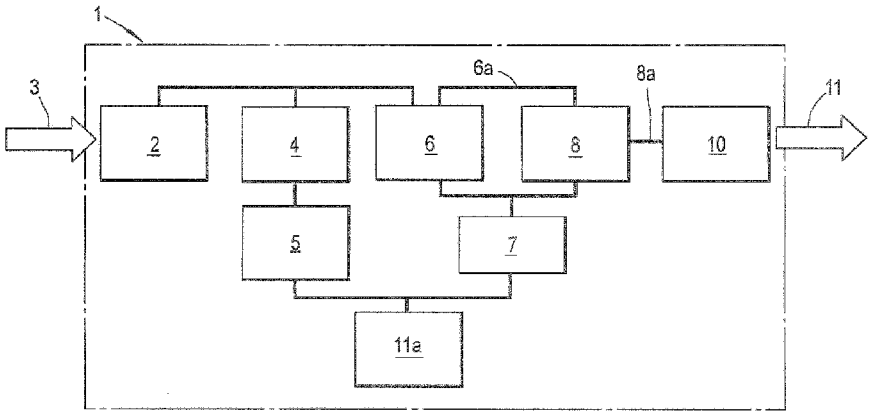
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Fig.1



(57) Abstract: A video compression unit (1) comprising pre-processing means, in which the pre-processing means is operatively arranged to pre-process at least a portion of an incoming video signal to reduce the complexity of a given number of pixels thereof; the pre-processed signal being suitable to be operated upon by an encoder means.

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