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1. An image encoding device comprising:

an intra prediction unit for, when a coding mode corresponding
5 to one of coding blocks into which an inputted image is divided is
an intra coding mode, carrying out an intra-frame prediction process
on a block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block to
generate a prediction image, wherein

when the intra prediction unit carries out an average
10 prediction, the intra prediction unit carries out a filtering
process on a target pixel of the prediction located at an upper end
or a left end of the block which is a unit for prediction of the
coding block, the filtering process using an intermediate prediction
value which is an average value of adjacent pixels of the block,
15 and at least one adjacent pixel of the target pixel,

the intra prediction unit sets a coefficient associated with
the intermediate prediction value for a target pixel at the left
end of the block other than the target pixel at an upper left corner
to $3/4$, and sets a coefficient associated with an adjacent pixel
20 adjacent to a left side of the target pixel to $1/4$.

2. An image decoding device comprising:

an intra prediction unit for, when a coding mode associated
with a coding block is an intra coding mode, carrying out an
25 intra-frame prediction process on a block which is a unit for
prediction of the coding block to generate a prediction image,
wherein

when an intra prediction parameter shows an average
prediction, the intra prediction unit carries out a filtering
30 process on a target pixel of the prediction located at an upper end

or a left end of the block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block, the filtering process using an intermediate prediction value which is an average value of adjacent pixels of the block, and at least one adjacent pixel of the target pixel,

5 the intra prediction unit sets a coefficient associated with the intermediate prediction value for a target pixel at the left end of the block other than the target pixel at an upper left corner to $3/4$, and sets a coefficient associated with an adjacent pixel adjacent to a left side of the target pixel to $1/4$.

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3. An image encoding method comprising:

an intra prediction processing step of, when a coding mode corresponding to one of coding blocks into which an inputted image is divided is an intra coding mode, carrying out an intra-frame prediction process on a block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block to generate a prediction image, wherein

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when the intra prediction processing step carries out an average prediction, a filtering process is carried out on a target pixel of the prediction located at an upper end or a left end of the block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block, the filtering process using an intermediate prediction value which is an average value of adjacent pixels of the block, and at least one adjacent pixel of the target pixel,

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the filtering process sets a coefficient associated with the intermediate prediction value for a target pixel at the left end of the block other than the target pixel at an upper left corner to $3/4$, and sets a coefficient associated with an adjacent pixel adjacent to a left side of the target pixel to $1/4$.

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4. An image decoding method comprising:

an intra prediction processing step of, when a coding mode associated with a coding block is an intra coding mode, carrying out an intra-frame prediction process on a block which is a unit for prediction of a coding block to generate a prediction image,

5 wherein

when an intra prediction parameter shows an average prediction, a filtering process is carried out on a target pixel of the prediction located at an upper end or a left end of the block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block, the filtering process using an intermediate prediction value which is an average value of adjacent pixels of the block, and at least one adjacent pixel of the target pixel,

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the filtering process sets a coefficient associated with the intermediate prediction value for a target pixel at the left end of the block other than the target pixel at an upper left corner to $3/4$, and sets a coefficient associated with an adjacent pixel adjacent to a left side of the target pixel to $1/4$.

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5. A storage medium storing a bitstream based on a coding block into which an inputted image is divided for encoding, the bitstream comprising:

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coding mode information indicating whether a type of coding mode of the coding block is inter prediction process or intra prediction process; and

25 an intra prediction parameter showing a type of intra prediction, when the coding mode information indicates an intra prediction, wherein

the intra prediction parameter indicates an average prediction in which a filtering process is carried out on a target pixel of the prediction located at an upper end or a left end of

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the block which is a unit for prediction of the coding block, the filtering process using an intermediate prediction value which is an average value of adjacent pixels of the block, and at least one adjacent pixel of the target pixel, and

- 5 the filtering process sets a coefficient associated with the intermediate prediction value for a target pixel at the left end of the block other than the target pixel at an upper left corner to $3/4$, and sets a coefficient associated with an adjacent pixel adjacent to a left side of the target pixel to $1/4$.