

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A data conversion method, wherein a sequence of first r -bit datawords is divided into groups of x bits where x is the least common multiple of r and m , an arbitrary first dataword selected from x/r groups of first datawords is divided into x/m , an m -bit second dataword is formed by appending $r/(x/m)$ -bit data, obtained by dividing the first dataword into x/m , to the LSB or MSB side of one or other of the non-divided first datawords, and the word-converted m -bit second dataword is converted to an n -bit codeword ($m < n$).

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