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A multi-codebook fixed bitrate CELP signal block encoder/decoder includes a codebook selector (22) for selecting, for each signal block, a corresponding codebook identification in accordance with a deterministic selection procedure that is independent of signal type. Included are also means for encoding/decoding each signal block by using a codebook having the selected codebook identification.

