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Marvell's Motion For Judgment As A Matter Of Law or, In the Alternative, New Trial on Non-Damages Issues [Dkt. 805]

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United States District Court Western District of Pennsylvania Civ. No. 2:09-cv-00290-NBF

Marvell Technology Group, Ltd. Marvell Semiconductor, Inc.

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"To succeed on a renewed motion for JMOL following a jury trial and verdict, the movant must show that the jury's findings, presumed or express, are not supported by substantial evidence or, if they were, that the legal conclusion(s) implied by the jury's verdict cannot in law be supported by those findings."

Comaper Corp. v. Antec, Inc., 867 F. Supp. 2d 663, 667 (E.D. Pa. 2012 (quoting Pannu v. Iolab Corp., 155 F.3d 1344, 1348 (Fed. Cir. 1998)).



"A new trial may be granted when the verdict is contrary to the great weight of the evidence; that is, where a miscarriage of justice would result if the verdict were to stand."

> *Pryer v. C.O. 3 Slavic,* 251 F. 3d 448 (3d Cir. 2001) (quoting *Olefins Trading, Inc. v. Han Yang Chem Corp.,* 9 F.3d 282, 289 (3d Cir.1993)).

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Worstell (251 Patent) Anticipates CMU Patents

(12) United States Patent Worstell

(10) Patent No.: US 6,282,251 B1 (45) Date of Patent: Aug. 28, 2001

(54) MODIFIED VITERBI DETECTOR WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR CORRELATED NOISE

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(21) Appl. No.: 08/407,230

(22) Filed: Mar. 21, 1995

(31)	Int. CL ²	
(52)	U.S. CL	
(58)	Field of Sear	ch
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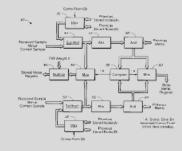
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A system detects an input signal received over a plurality of time periods. The input signal corresponds to one of a plurality of states during each time period, the states being connected by branches. The input signal has a value that is changeable from one of the plurality of time periods to the next. A first merged state is detected in which the branches during a first merge time period lead to only one of the plurality of states. A metric is determined for each of the plurality of states for each time period. The metric is based on the value of the input signal during a present time period, the value of the input signal during a previous time period, and on the plarality of branches connected to the states for which the metric is being determined. The likely branch leading to each of the plurality of states is identified based on the metric determined for that state. A second merged state is detected in which the branches during a second merge time period lead to only one of the plurality of states. The value of the input signal is determined for each time period between the first and second merged states based on the likely branches leading between the first and second merged states.

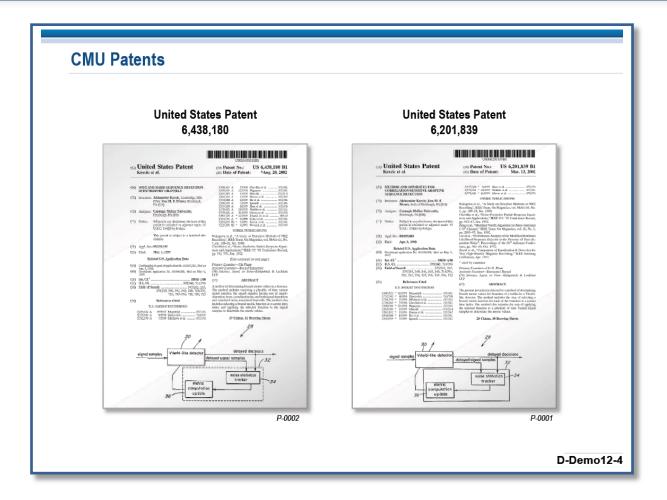
19 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets



Mar. 21, 1995

- It is undisputed that Worstell is prior art
- The named inventors of the CMU patents did not conceive their alleged inventions until after the March 21, 1995 filing date of Worstell.

Worstell (251 Patent) Anticipates CMD Patents



It is undisputed the *Patent Office did not consider Worstell patent.*



"[R]eliance upon [art not considered by the PTO] when that art is more pertinent than the art considered by the PTO may facilitate meeting the burden of proving invalidity."

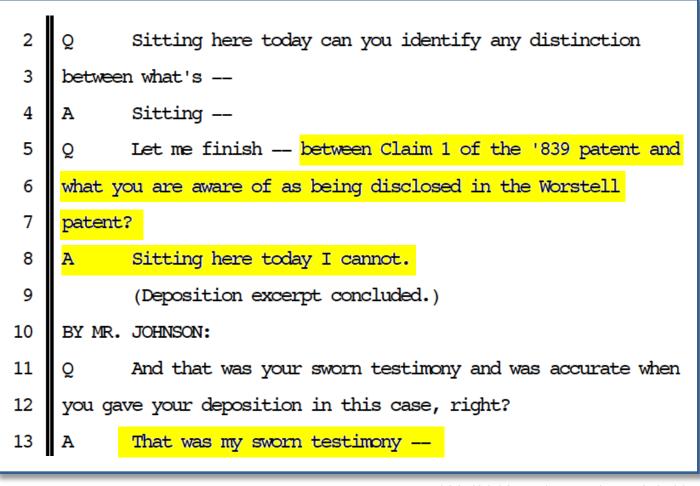
Uniroyal, Inc. v. Rudkin-Wiley Corp., 837 F.2d 1044, 1050 (Fed. Cir. 1988)



"[T]he Federal Circuit has stated that a challenger's burden of showing invalidity by clear and convincing evidence may be <u>more easily carried</u> when relying on prior art that was not considered during patent prosecution."

Roche Palo Alto LLC v. Ranbaxy Labs. Ltd., 2009 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 90804, at *140 (D.N.J. Sept. 30, 2009) (citing *Uniroyal*, 837 F.2d at 1050)

Dr. Kryder Could Not Identify A Distinction Between Worstell Patent and Claim 1 of the '839 Patent



12/5/2012 Tr. (Kryder) at 72:2-13

Case 2:09-Claim 4 of the 1839 Patent Only Adds age 9 of 38 "from a set of signal-dependent branch metric functions"

'839 Patent | Claim 1

- 1. A method of determining branch metric values for branches of a trellis for a Viterbi-like detector, comprising:
- selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index; and

applying each of said selected functions to a plurality of signal samples to determine the metric value corresponding to the branch for which the applied branch metric function was selected, wherein each sample corresponds to a different sampling time instant.

'839 Patent | Claim 4

- A method of determining branch metric values for branches of a trellis for a Viterbi-like detector, comprising:
- selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index from a set of signal-dependent branch metric functions; and
- applying each of said selected functions to a plurality of signal samples to determine the metric value corresponding to the branch for which the applied branch metric function was selected, wherein each sample corresponds to a different sampling time instant.

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WORSTELL DISCLOSES:

"selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index from a set of **signal-dependent** branch metric functions."

<u>'839 Patent</u>

4. A method of determining branch metric values for branches of a trellis for a Viterbilike detector, comprising:

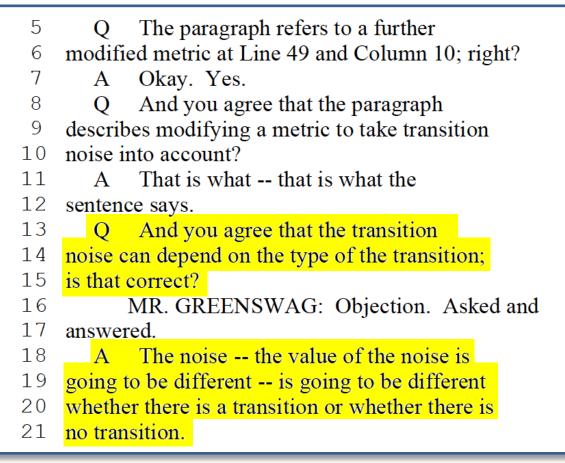
selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index from a set of *signal-dependent* branch metric functions; and

applying each of said selected functions to a plurality of signal samples to determine the metric value corresponding to the branch for which the applied branch metric function was selected, wherein each sample corresponds to a different sampling time instant.

1	Q Okay. And how about the notion of signal dependent
2	noise, can you explain whether or not in your opinion the
3	Worstell patent discloses the concept of signal dependent
4	noise?
5	A Worstell does, in fact, take into account signal
6	dependent noise. He describes this as a further modified
7	branch metric function in Column 10 of this patent, and he
8	says that in order to take signal dependent noise into
9	consideration, you just simply take Equation 20 and you
10	multiply it when you scale those, you scale those branch
11	metrics that have signal dependent noise by a fraction, which
12	depends on the transition noise standard deviation.

12/17/12 Tr. (Proakis) at 55:5-15

• McLaughlin testified that noise varied depending on whether there was transition or not.



Depo. Tr. 3/23/12 (McLaughlin) at 371:5-21

Worstelle Anticipates Claim 476f '839° and Claim 236f '180

WORSTELL DISCLOSES:

"receiving a plurality of time variant signal samples, the signal samples having one of signal-dependent noise, *correlated noise*, and both signal dependent and correlated noise associated therewith."

'180 Patent

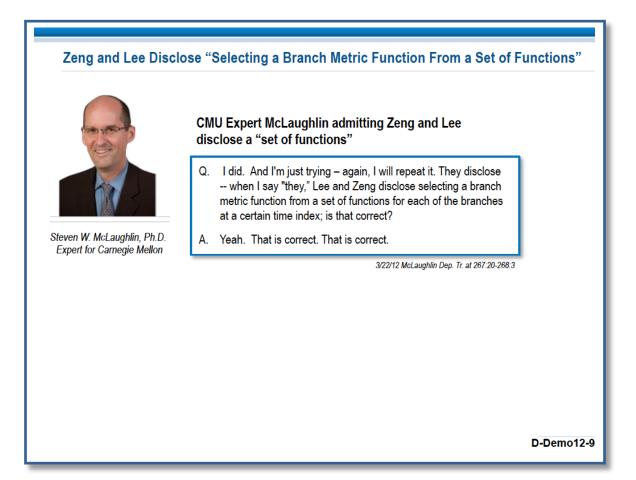
- **1**. A method of determining branch metric values in a detector, comprising:
- receiving a plurality of time variant signal samples, the signal samples having one of signal-dependent noise, *correlated noise*, and both signal dependent and correlated noise associated therewith;
- selecting a branch metric function at a certain time index; and
- applying the selected function to the signal samples to determine the metric values.
- **2.** The method of claim 1, wherein the branch metric function is selected from a set of signal-dependent branch metric functions.

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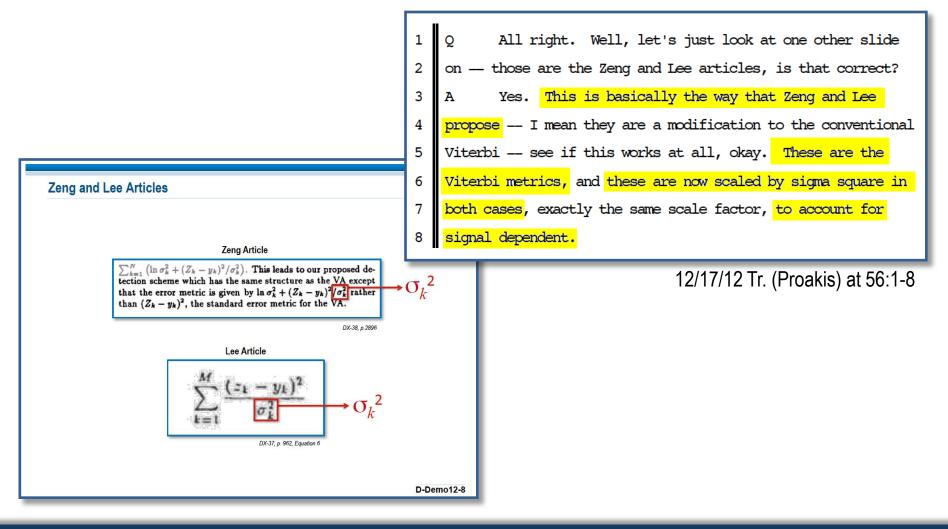


Worstell Email Does Not Address CMU Patent Claims At All

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Hi Ed,					
I have reviewed the DSSC "Correlation Sensitive Adaptive Sequence Detector" patent proposal. I would like to wade through the math before filling out the Invention Evaluation form, but so far it looks very interesting.					
A couple of years ago I did some work on a Viterbi detector modification to account for noise correlation. This invention is related, but goes beyond my work and is probably more interesting. I also know of work at UCSD and IBM which is related, but again as far as I know the DSSC work is different enough to warrant investigation.					
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If Not Anticipated, CMU's Patents Are Invalid for Obviousness

• Accounting for signal dependent noise using standard deviation of the noise, by multiplying by $1/\sigma^2$ as disclosed in Worstell, was well known.



'839 Patent

4. A method of determining branch metric values for branches of a trellis for a Viterbilike detector, comprising:

selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index from a set of *signal-dependent* branch metric functions; and

applying each of said selected functions to a plurality of signal samples to determine the metric value corresponding to the branch for which the applied branch metric function was selected, wherein each sample corresponds to a different sampling time instant.

'839 Patent Claim 4 – "Selecting" Step – Signal Dependent

4. A method of determining branch metric values for branches of a trellis for a Viterbi-like detector, comprising:

selecting a branch metric function for each of the branches at a certain time index from a set of signaldependent branch metric functions; and

applying each of said selected functions to a plurality of signal samples to determine the metric value corresponding to the branch for which the applied branch metric function was selected, wherein each sample corresponds to a different sampling time instant. CMU Expert McLaughlin Deposition Transcript

Q. Was Dr. <u>Kavcic</u> the first person to propose a Viterbi detector that took signal-dependent noise into account?

A. I don't believe so.

3/22/12 McLaughlin Dep. Tr. at 252:10-13

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'180 Patent

1. A method of determining branch metric values in a detector, comprising:

receiving a plurality of time variant signal samples, the signal samples having one of signal-dependent noise, *correlated noise*, and both signal dependent and correlated noise associated therewith;

selecting a branch metric function at a certain time index; and

applying the selected function to the signal samples to determine the metric values.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the branch metric function is selected from a set of signal-dependent branch metric functions.

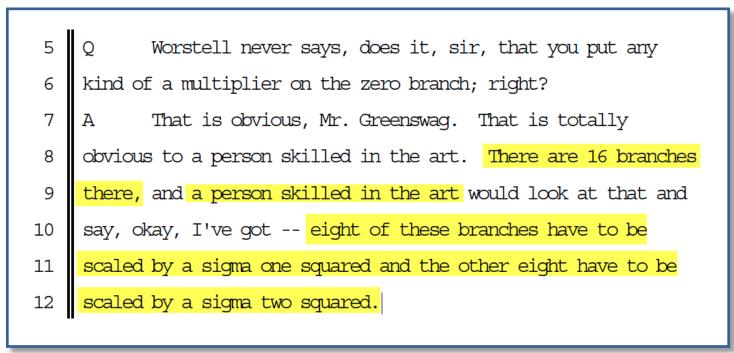
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noise into account?

17 A I don't believe so.

3/22/12 Tr. (McLaughlin) at 252:14-17

Dr. Proakis Explained A Particular Embodiment of Worstell

 CMU claims Dr. Proakis admitted that Worstell does not teach a set of branch metric functions but Dr. Proakis simply answered CMU's questions about an embodiment of Worstell. Dr. Proakis explained that the "sigmas" are different on "zero" branches and "one" branches, and therefore create different branch metric functions.



12/17/12 Tr. (Proakis) at 94:5-12

Dr. Proakis Testified that the Worstell Patent and CMU Batent Contain Similar Disclosure of "Branch Metric Functions"

• CMU claims Dr. Proakis' trial testimony contradicted his earlier declaration, but in his declaration Dr. Proakis made clear that both Worstell and the CMU patents have similar disclosure with respect to a "set" of branch metric functions: either both contain disclosure of a "set" of branch metric functions, or neither one does.

As discussed further

below (¶¶ 48-49), each of these functions include target values and noise statistics that vary from

branch to branch of a trellis, and are therefore "variables" for their respective functions. To the

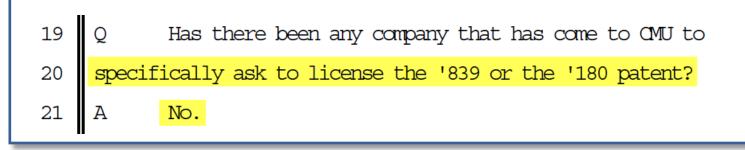
extent the Worstell patent does not disclose a "set" of branch metric functions as the Court has

already ruled, then neither do the CMU patents, if the term "function" is construed consistently

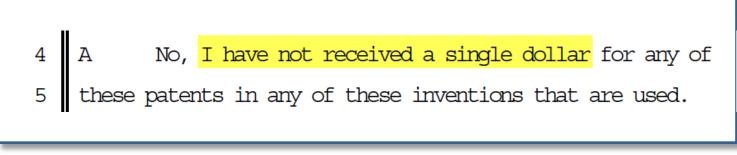
between the patents.

11/2/11 Decl of J. Proakis, ¶ 19

CMU²Patents Were Not Confinercially Successful



11/29/12 Tr. (Moura) at 73:19-21



11/29/12 Tr. (Kavcic) at 270:4-5

Other Factors Drove Clistonner Demand for the Accused Chips

10	Q. Who made the recommendation to select Marvell as the
11	new supplier of read channel chips in 2001, 2002?
12	A. I was part of the team that went through the
13	investigating process, and eventually I had to make the
14	recommendation and justify my decision based on technical
15	matters.
16	Q. And who was recommended?
17	A. Marvell was the selected supplier.
18	Q. Why?
19	A. Well, there were multiple reasons. You know, it's
20	going to get a little bit technical, but there are several
21	elements to what we were interested in, in our selection of
22	our supplier; data rate capability, signal to noise ratio, and
23	certain specific features that were very unique to Western
24	Digital, based on our manufacturing processes, and then, there
25	are smaller, less critical factors, like <mark>availability of the</mark>
1	supplier to support us during integration process locally at
2	our facility. So, all of these factors went into making that
3	decision.

12/13/12 Tr. (Baqai) at 154:10-155:3

Western Digital Did Not Want Accused MNP Feature

16	Q. So what did you do when you learned, as we've seen,
17	that there was little or no benefit from the MNP feature?
18	A. Well, I went back to Marvell and told them that this
19	feature was no good, and it didn't do anything for me. And as
20	far as I'm concerned, they can take it out.
21	Q. Now, had you had an understanding that you were paying
22	extra for the MNP?
23	A. Well, you know, in read channel device or any chip, the
24	size of the die, the silicon, material, translates into cost.
25	So, there is a base design of the chip that's inherent. There
1	is really not much option. But there are certain features
2	that, after the die size, and they have to translate to some
3	measurable gain and benefit to us. Otherwise, I'll be signing
4	up to pay for a feature that was useless.
5	So, that was the nature of my response back to Marvell,
6	that, you know, <mark>if this feature costs some die size, then, I</mark>
7	don't want this, because it's not doing anything for me.

12/13/12 Tr. (Baqai) at 163:16-164:7

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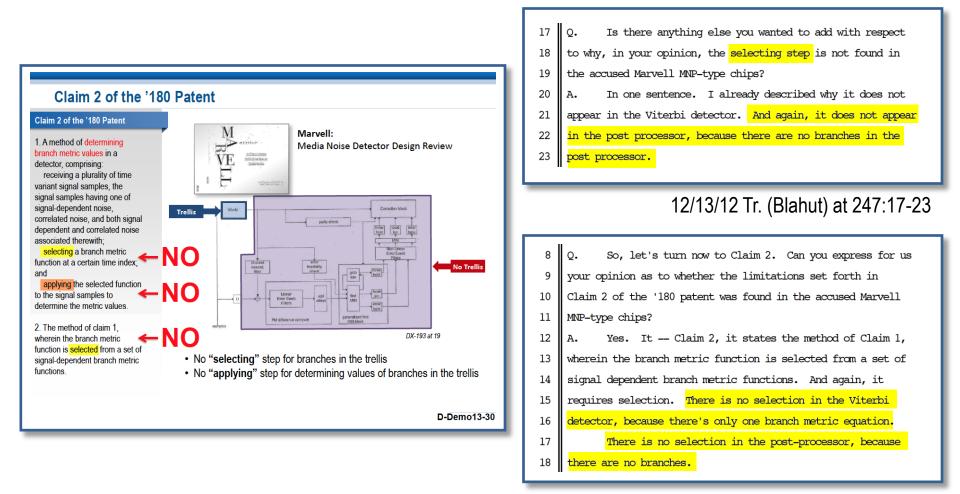
Non-Infringement



"[F]ailure to meet a single limitation is sufficient to negate infringement of the claim...."

> Nomos Corp. v. Brainlab USA, Inc., 357 F.3d 1364, 1367 n.1 (Fed. Cir. 2004).

Marvell's Expert Showed that Claim Einfitations Were Not Met



12/13/12 Tr. (Blahut) at 248:8-18

Agreed Constructions			
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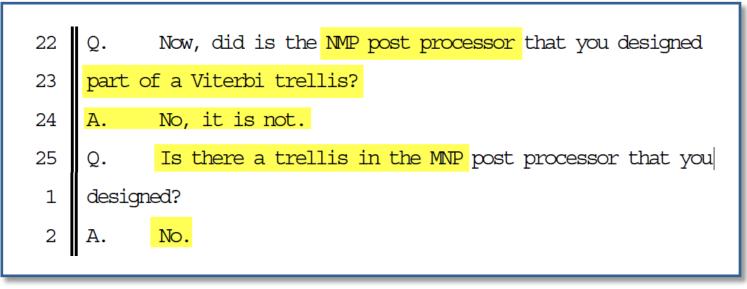
branch metric function	839 cls. 1, 3, 4 180 cl. 1, 2	"Branch metric function" means "a mathematical function for determining a 'branch metric value' for a <mark>'branch.""</mark>
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branch	839 cls. 1, 3, 4, 11, 16, 19, 23 180 cls. 1, 2, 6	"Branch" means "a potential transition between two states (nodes) immediately adjacent in time in a 'trellis.""	
		Examples of branches are illustrated as the lines between the nodes in Figure 4 of the 839 patent.	

Dkt. 120-1 (5/14/10) Ex. A

CMU Failed to Introduce Sufficient Evidence for Infringement

• Accused MNP is outside the trellis.



12/17/12 Tr. (Burd) at 140:22-141:2

Dr. Blabut's Statement Regarding And Typographical Error" Is Not an Admission Regarding "Path Metrics"

• CMU points to Dr. Blahut's testimony:

6 Q. Right. What you wrote here in your report is, process
7 up to 20 events per code word, and again compute the path
8 metrics. That's what you wrote.
9 A. You're looking at a sentence with a grammatic or a
10 typographical error. It says clearly, the difference between

12/13/12 Tr. (Blahut) at 274:6-11

 But overlooks his entire testimony where he referenced difference in path metrics:

2	And you wrote this, right, this Paragraph 106; correct?
3	Did you write this, sir?
4	A. Yes. It's in my document. Yes, I wrote it. I'm just
5	rereading it now.
6	Q. John, would you blow it up, please? Okay.
7	And you see where you wrote, sir, the nonlinear filters
8	process up to two error vents per code word, and again compute
9	the path metric based on the difference. Do you see that?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. That's isn't that what you wrote, sir?
12	A. I already said that I wrote this paragraph.
13	Q. Right. But just, on your direct testimony, you said
14	the MNP doesn't commute a path metric.
15	A. Its, so, so I have to be careful about the phrasing.
16	The phrasing there is, is not precise, because it says, based
17	on the difference between the Viterbi path plus error vent and
18	the Viterbi path. It's referring to a difference in
19	Viterbi in path metrics.

12/13/12 Tr. (Blahut) at 273:2-19

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_{Ca}.Dr. Blahut's Expert Report Does Not Oping That 38 The MNP Computes a "Path Metric" As Defined By CMU

• Dr. Blahut's expert report makes clear that the MNP only calculates the difference between path metrics:

98. The trellis in the diagram below shows a path through the Viterbi detector (not the Post Processor, PP), which is described as a "Viterbi path." For each of the dominant error events, the PP then computes the difference between the path metrics of (1) Viterbi path + error event and (2) the Viterbi path:

Blahut Expert Report at ¶ 98

106. The non-linear filters process up to two error events per codeword, and again compute the path metric based on the difference between: (1) Viterbi path + error event and (2) the Viterbi path. In the Marvell implementation, the two most likely error events are represented by 40-bit codewords.

Blahut Expert Report at ¶ 106

• A clear and fair reading of Dr. Blahut's expert report shows that the reference to a "grammatic or a typographical error" in ¶ 106 was appropriate in light of CMU's suggestion that Dr. Blahut was referring to a path metric computation involving branch metric values

Dr. Blahut Did Not "Admit" In His Prior Testimony That The MNP Computed A "Path Metric" At The Same Place Identified By Dr. McLaughlin

• CMU alleges that Dr. Blahut "admitted" that Marvell's MNP "computes path metrics (which he and Dr. McLaughlin both agree are the sum of *branch metrics* . . . and [that] he even drew a circle on the MNP circuit diagram to show that the path metric is computed right after the summation block."

- Reply, at 2-3

• CMU Misstates and Misrepresents Dr. Blahut's Testimony – Dr. Blahut did not say he was circling a path metric. Rather, he referenced a difference metric.

Q. Okay. Can you, sir, point to me where the 10 path metric is or where it would be shown on this 11 12 diagram? A. So without analyzing the circuit in detail 13 or reading the entire -- my entire report, I'll try 14 15 to save time by referring only to the diagram and looking at it. So the -- the -- the difference in 16 the paths is -- is computed by the difference between 17 the upper and the lower FIR filters that have been 18 fed with information that has non-linear adjustments 19 20 in it. 21 Q. Okay. Can you circle it on the exhibit, 22 please?

CMU Failed to Introduce Sufficient Evidence for Infringement

• Because MNP chips calculate a difference between two metrics, they do not calculate branch metric values.

9	Q And then whatever is done, I said insert errors, you
10	didn't like that, but whatever is done, alternate paths are
11	evaluated; is that correct?
12	A Yeah, alter there's yeah, alternate paths are
13	explored.
14	Q Two alternate paths in the MNP product, is that true,
15	sir?
16	A Two alternates paths.
17	Q And then an evaluation is done to see if either one of
18	those alternate paths is better than the best path that's
19	labeled there. Is that true? Can we agree on that?
20	A That is correct.

12/3/12 Tr. (McLaughlin) at 269:9-20

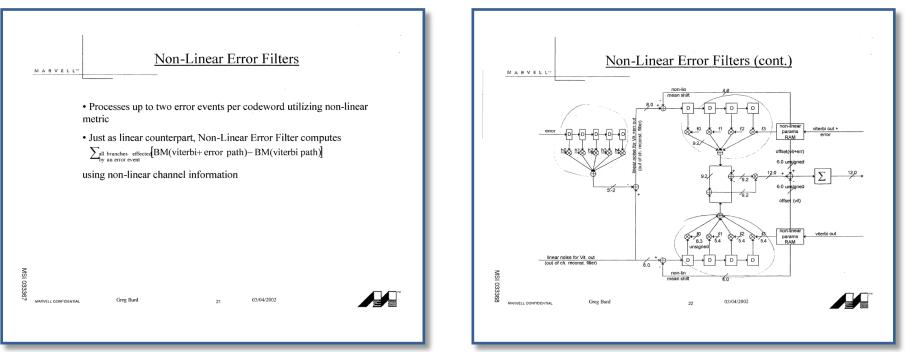
CMU Failed to introduce Sufficient Evidence for infringement

• Inventor admitted the difference between two path metrics is NOT a branch metric.

 Q. Okay. Is the difference between two path metrics a branch metric in your mind? A. I don't think it is.
7/15/10 Kavcic Depo. Tr. at 643:5-7

CaCMU's Attempts To Manufacture Contradictions 38 Fail Because They Take Terms Out Of Context

- CMU conflates use of BM (stands for "branch metric") in Marvell's documents *in the post processor* with "branch metric values" as used in the CMU patent claims.
- CMU's witnesses Drs. Blahut and Wu have maintained the distinction between computations within a trellis (CMU patent claims) and outside the trellis (in Marvell's post-processor)



CMU Failed to Introduce Sufficient Evidence for Infringement

- Accused NLD is outside of the trellis.
 - 2 Q. Can you describe for us, in a couple of sentences, your
 - 3 overall opinion about whether the selecting step is found in
 - 4 the NLD-type chips?

14	same. It doesn't vary. There is there is no selection of	
15	a branch metric, branch metric function in the trellis.	
16	In the pre-filter, there are no branches. These are	
17	just filters. There is no trellis. There are no branches,	
	accordingly, so there is no selection of a branch metric	
19	function in the pre-filter.	

12/13/12 Tr. (Blahut) at 258:2-4, 14-19

CMU Failed to Introduce Sufficient Evidence for Infringement

- CMU expert McLaughlin admits NLD uses only a single signal sample f_y, therefore no selecting of a branch metric.
 - Q So it's fair to say that the signal that's labeled
 F-sub-Y that we're discussing, that is a single signal sample,
 isn't it true, sir?
 A It's a single signal sample that's -- that's the
 output, the result of the application, the application step.

12/3/12 Tr. (McLaughlin) at 288:6-10



"The only purported evidence of Ericsson's direct infringement that Harris cites in its brief is a flow chart describing a 'simulation program' that Ericsson uses for testing its algorithms. Harris has not shown that the claimed method is actually carried out, rather than simulated, when Ericsson runs this program."

Harris Corp. v. Ericsson Inc., 417 F.3d 1241, 1256 (Fed. Cir. 2005).



"Accordingly, we now hold that induced infringement under § 271(b) requires knowledge that the induced acts constitute patent infringement."

Global-Tech Appliances, Inc. v. SEB SA, 131 S. Ct. 2060, 2068 (2011).

CMU's "copying"² Evidence Does Not⁶Prove Kildwiedge of Infringement

- None of "copying" evidence shows any knowledge of infringement of claims:
 - Use of "Kavcic" name is not evidence of infringement, and does not show knowledge of claims
 - Knowledge of Kavcic patent is not knowledge of infringement
 - Reading and following Kavcic's papers is not knowledge of infringement
 - Changing name of source code routine is not knowledge of infringement
 - See, e.g., Apple, Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd., 11-CV-01846-LHK, 2013 WL 412859 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 29, 2013) (citing Allen Engineering Corp. v. Bartell Industries, Inc., 299 F.3d 1336, 1351 (Fed. Cir. 2002) ("While copying may be relevant to obviousness, it is of no import on the question of whether the claims of an issued patent are infringed.")); DePuy Spine, Inc. v. Medtronic Sofamor Danek, Inc., 567 F.3d 1314, 1336 (Fed. Cir. 2009) (citing Allen Eng'g); Amazon.com, Inc. v. Barnesandnoble.com, Inc., 239 F.3d 1343, 1366 (Fed. Cir. 2001) ("[E]vidence of copying [the patentee's product] is legally irrelevant unless the [product] is shown to be an embodiment of the claims."); see Goss Int'l Ams., Inc. v. Graphic Mgmt. Assocs., Inc., 739 F. Supp. 2d 1089, 1126 (N.D. III. 2010) ("[A]ttempts to keep abreast of a competitor's technology and intellectual property is not objectively reckless behavior, but fair and reasonable commercial behavior.") (internal citations omitted); see also Dkt. 443 (Op. Re: Non- Infringement of Group II Claims) at 10 ("[T]he flaw with CMU's position is that admissions by Marvell . . . do not establish that a specific claim element, much less an entire claim, has been copied The clear reason is that each claim protects different technological territory, and some claims may be infringed while others are not.").