



Soft Information based JPEG2000 Decoders

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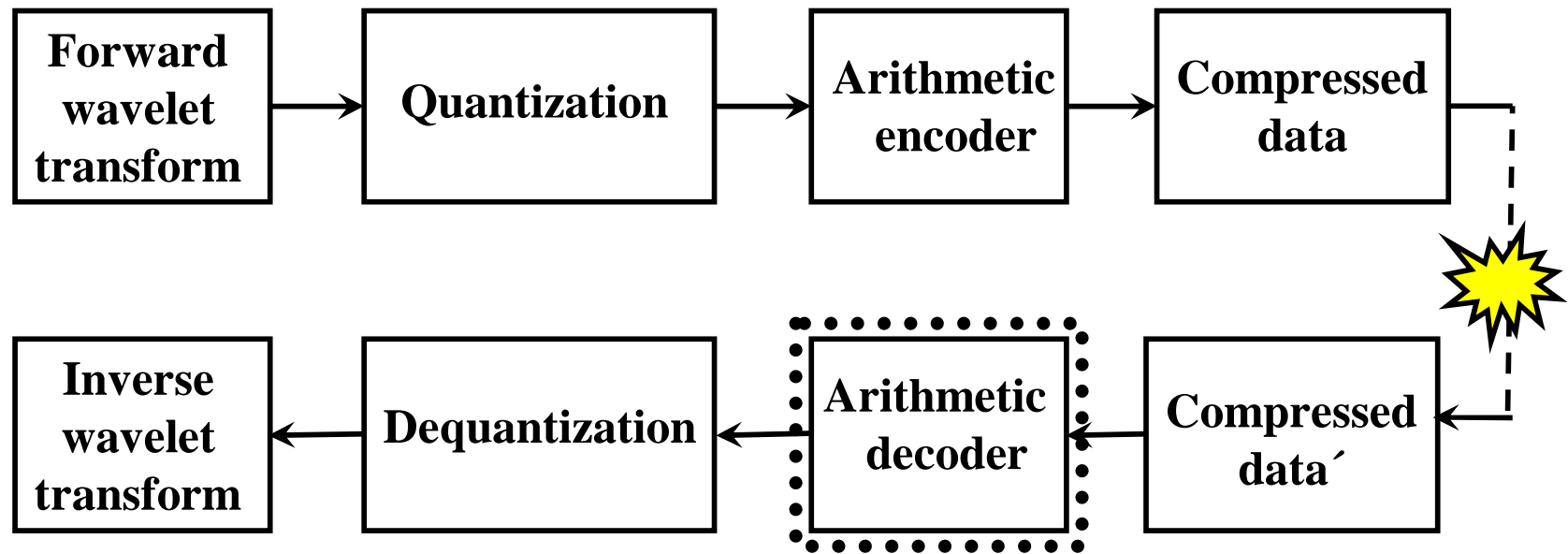


Soft Information

- General purpose
 - Make end-points aware of channel conditions
 - Reduce retransmissions
- LLR (log likelihood ratio)
 - Soft decoding in the physical layer
 - Reliability measure for each received bit
 - Express the certainty of a bit's value to be correct



JPEG2000 & Soft Information



- Modified decoder
 - Detect bit-errors by utilizing standardized mechanisms in arithmetic codec
 - Correct bit-errors with soft information & iterative arithmetic decoding
- Purpose of an algorithm is to swap potentially erroneous bits & find new probable correct bit-sequences

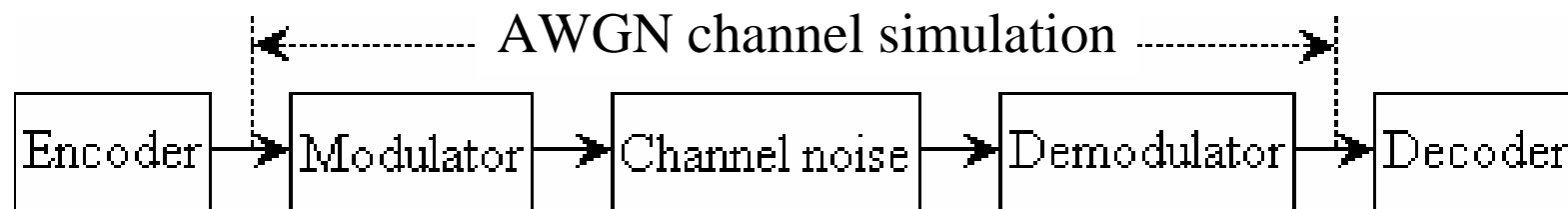


Algorithms

- Heuristic Algorithm
 - Based on simple rules it evaluates soft information and picks bits to swap
 - Produces a list of probable correct bit-sequences
 - 10 decoder iterations
- Optimal Algorithm
 - Soft information values are additive
 - Sum of soft information values corresponds to the probability for the bit-sequence to be correct
 - Produces an optimal ordered list of most probable correct bit-sequences
 - Decoder iterations varied 5,10 & 15



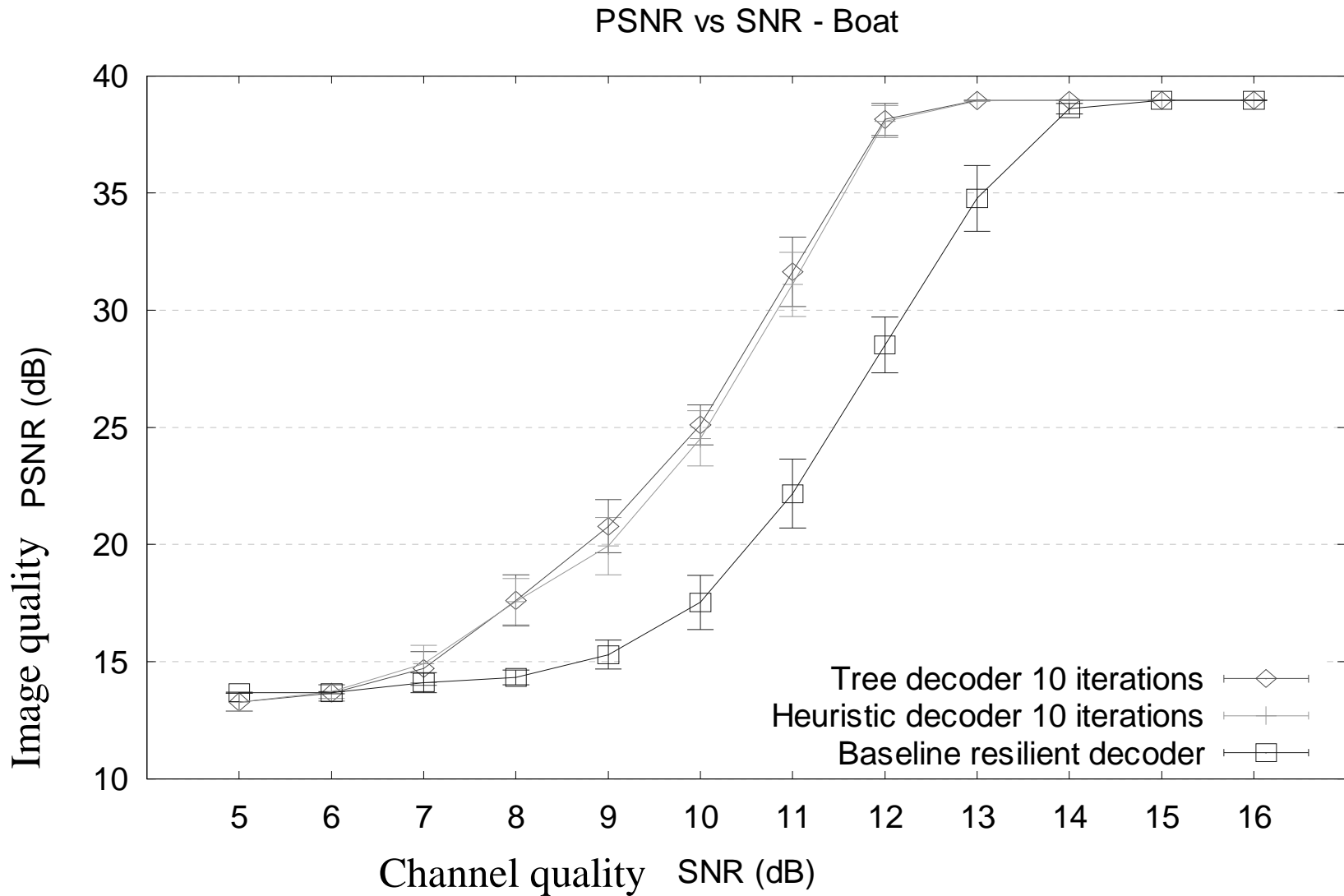
Experiment Set-up



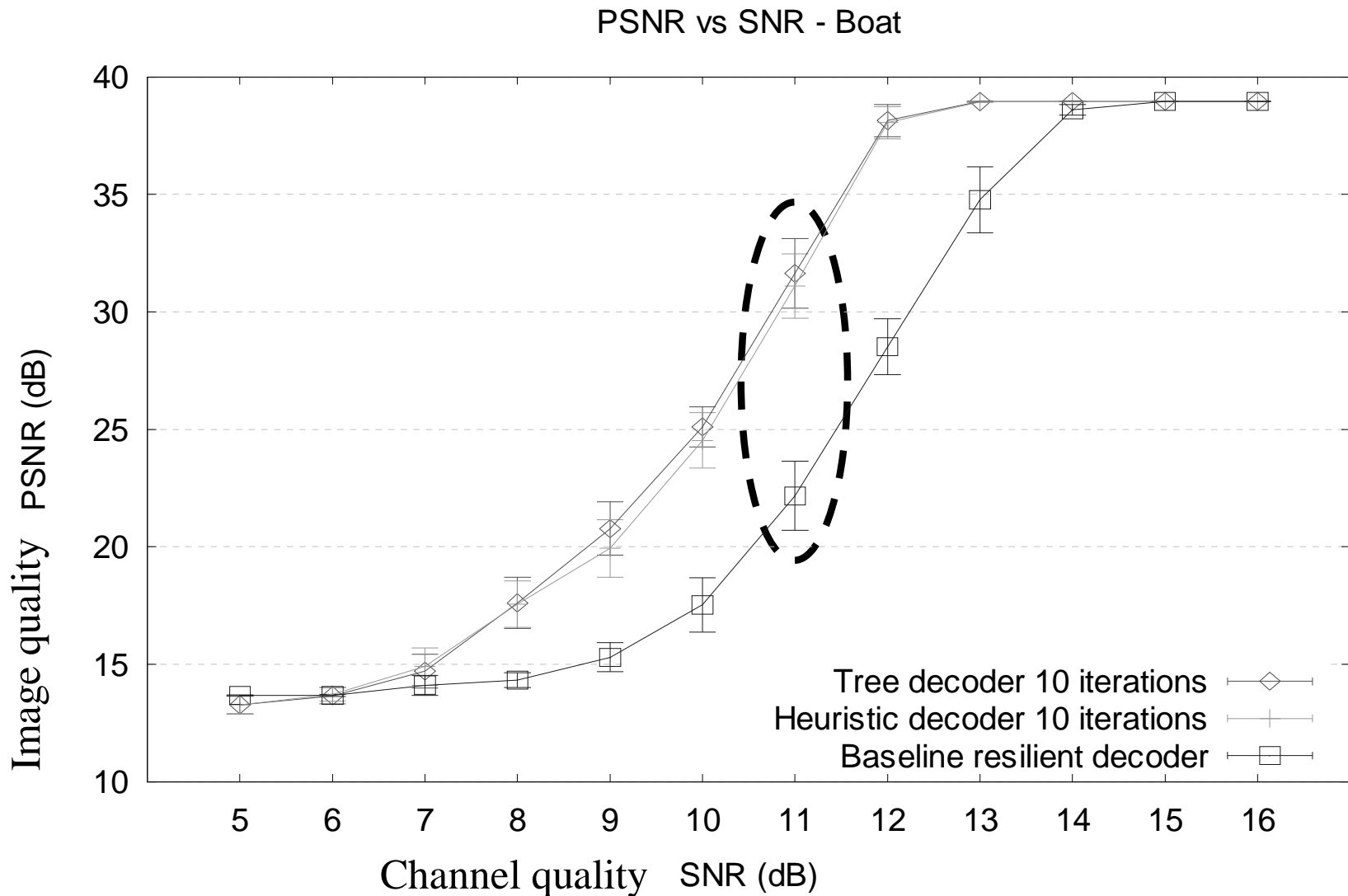
- Images transmitted over AWGN-channel
- 16-QAM modulation
- Signal to Noise power Ratio 5-16 dB
- Demodulator software generated soft information
- Received images decoded with different decoders



Heuristic vs. Optimal Algorithm (10 Iterations)



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SNR 11 dB



Baseline error resilient
decoder PSNR 23.301 dB



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Heuristic decoder
PSNR 30.6885 dB



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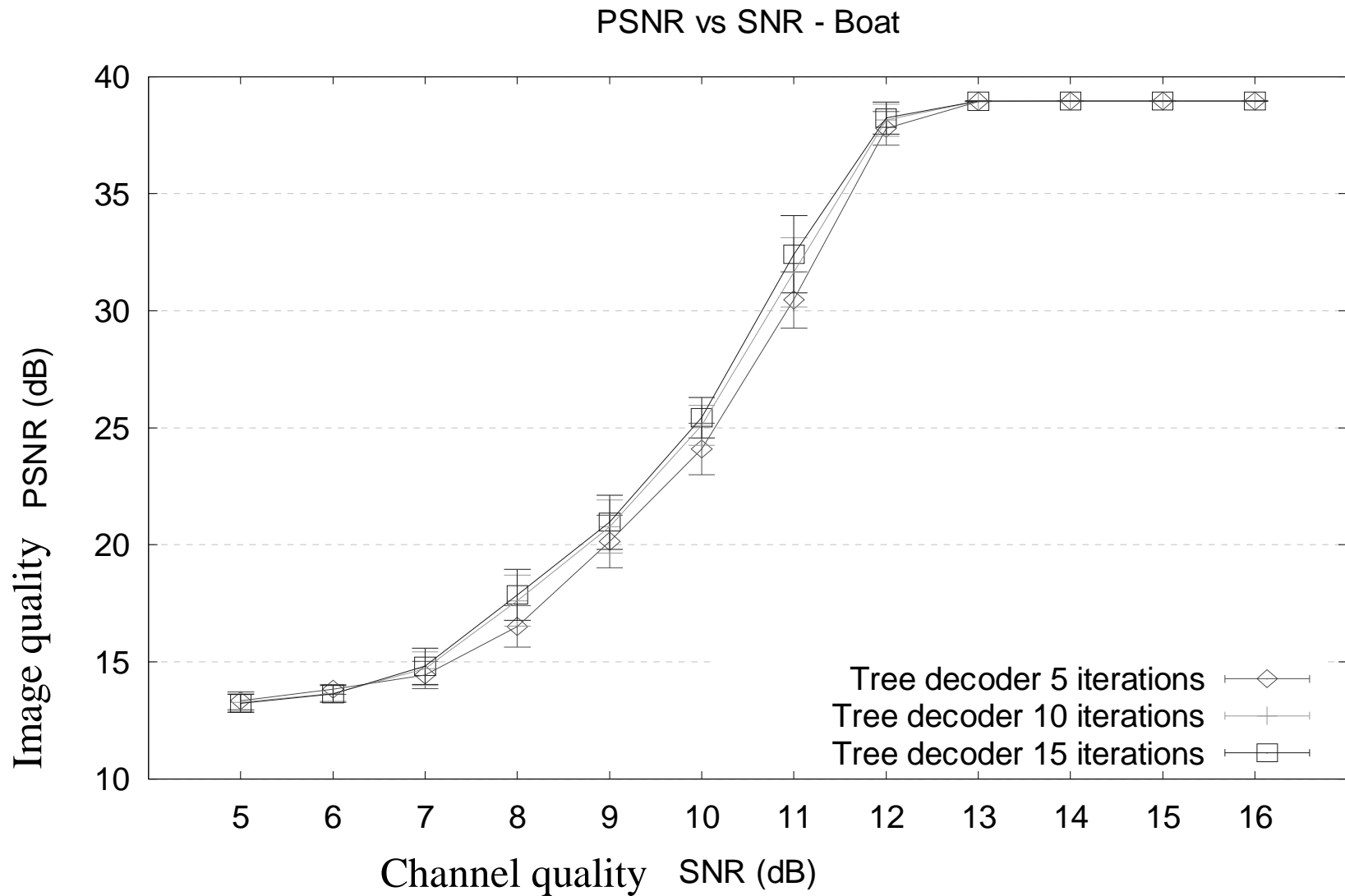
Heuristic decoder
PSNR 30.6885 dB



Tree decoder
PSNR 31.4318 dB



Optimal Algorithm - Impact of Number of Iterations



SNR 11 dB



Tree decoder 5 iterations
PSNR 30.3724 dB



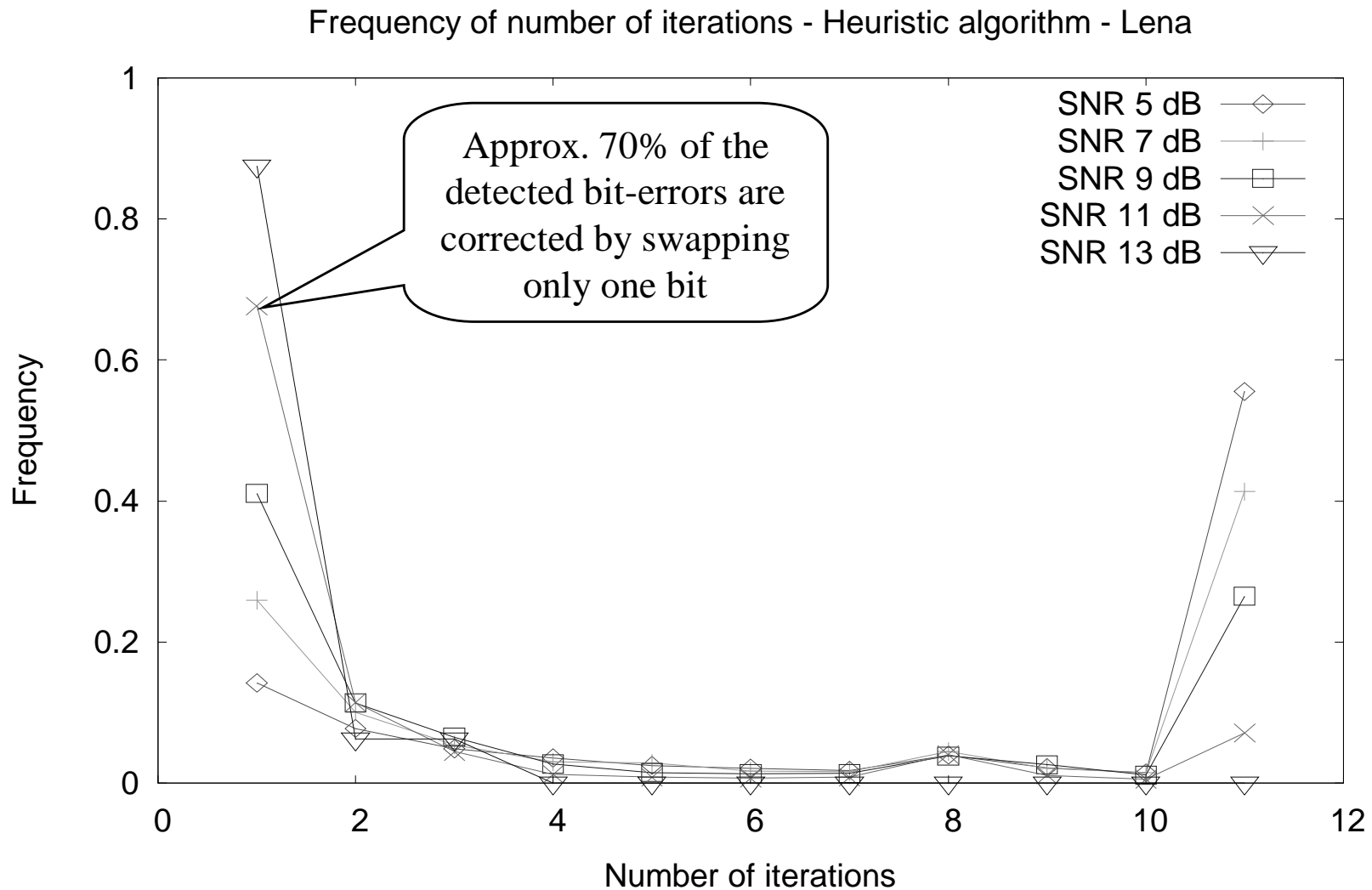
Tree decoder 10 iterations
PSNR 31.4318 dB



Tree decoder 15 iterations
PSNR 31.4461 dB

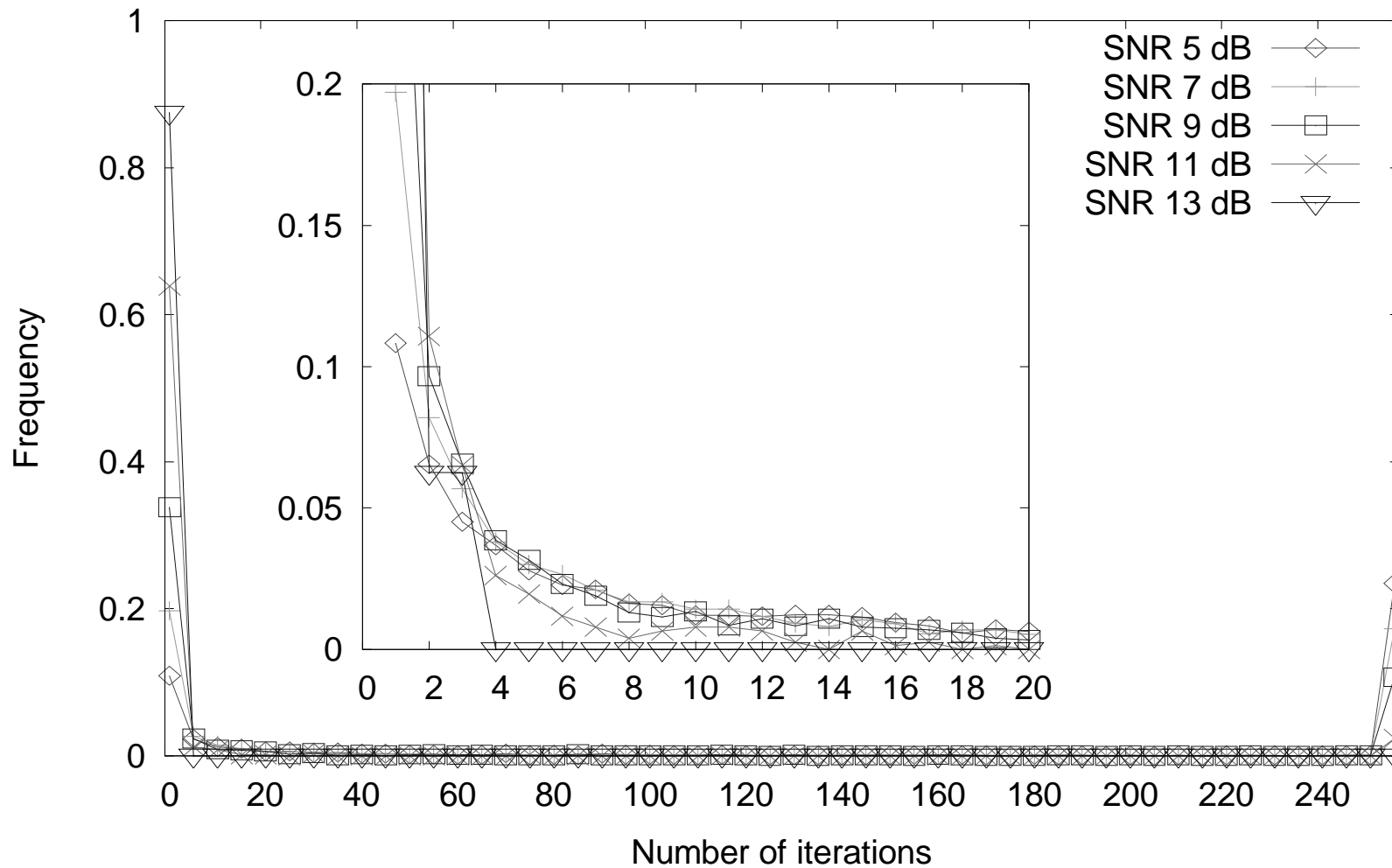


Heuristic Algorithm - Frequency of Number of Iterations



Optimal Algorithm - Frequency of Number of Iterations

Frequency of number of iterations - Tree decoder - Lena



Conclusion

- High gain possible with soft information
- Heuristic algorithm performs well
- Marginal gains observed with optimal algorithm

- Low number of iterations is sufficient given the robustness of the error detecting mechanisms

- Decoder behaviour similar independent of motif

