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DIGITAL WATERMARKING USING DWT **OPTIMIZATION TECHNIQUES**

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Abstract: Digital watermarking is an enabling technology for e-commerce strategies: conditional and user-specific access to services and resources. Digital watermarking offers several advantages. The details of a good digital watermarking algorithm can be made public knowledge. Digital watermarking provides the owner of a piece of digital data the means to mark the data invisibly. The mark could be used to serialize a piece of data as it is sold or used as a method to mark a valuable image. For example, this marking allows an owner to safely post an image for viewing but legally provides an embedded copyright to prohibit others from posting the same image. Watermarks and attacks on watermarks are two sides of the same coin. The goal of both is to preserve the value of the digital data. Digital video watermarking scheme based on Discrete Wavelet Transform is addressed in this paper. Design of this scheme using Matlab programming is proposed.

Index Terms: Digital video, Discrete Wavelet Transform, Binary watermark.

I. INTRODUCTION

The watermarking technique is used for data hiding. Video watermarking algorithms normally prefers robustness. Most of the proposed video watermarking schemes are based on the techniques of image watermarking. But video watermarking introduces some issues not present in image watermarking. Watermarking techniques can be classified into spatial or frequency domain by place of application. Spatial domain watermarking is performed by modifying values of pixel color samples of a video frame whereas watermarks of frequency domain techniques are applied to coefficients obtained as the result of a frequency transform of either a whole frame or single block-shaped regions of a frame[6]. The specialty of watermark is that it remains intact to the cover work even if it is copied. So to prove ownership or copyrights of data watermark is extracted and tested. It is very difficult for counterfeiters to remove or alter watermark. As such the real owner can always have his data safe and secure. Watermarking is defined as the practice of imperceptibly altering a work to embed a message about the work. The different watermarking techniques are the spatial domain techniques, e.g. Least significant Bit (LSB) and transform domain techniques e.g. Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT), Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT), Discrete Wavelength Transform (DWT), Spread spectrum. If we embed more than one watermark in the cover image to increase the robustness, then it is also termed as multiple watermarking techniques. These are broadly classified as composite, segmented and successive (Re- watermarking). In composite watermarking, all watermarks are combined into a single watermark which is subsequently embedded in one single embedding step whereas in successive watermarking the watermarks are embedded one after the other. In segmented watermarking, the host data is partitioned into disjoint segments a priori and each watermark is embedded into its specific share. In this case, the textured regions are of high interest for the task of segment watermarking. The watermarking technique is used for data hiding. Video watermarking algorithms normally prefers robustness. Most of the proposed video watermarking schemes are based on the techniques of image watermarking. But video watermarking introduces some issues not present in image watermarking. [2] Watermarking techniques can be classified into spatial or frequency domain by place of application. Spatial domain watermarking is performed by modifying values of pixel color samples of a video frame whereas watermarks of frequency domain techniques are applied to coefficients obtained as the result of a frequency transform of either a whole frame or single block-shaped regions of a frame[6]. Most commonly used transforms are

- 1. Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT),
- 2. Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT),
- 3. Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT).

Here we propose an implementation of robust video watermarking scheme using Discrete Wavelet Transform.

1.1 Video Watermarking

Maximum occurrences of copyright violation and distribution happen for video media content. So Video Watermarking is one of the most accepted techniques among the various Watermarking techniques currently in use.

1.2 Requirements for video water marking

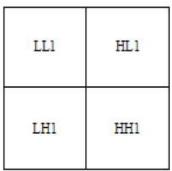
Requirements for video Watermarking are as follows:

- 1. Video data is subject to increased attacks than any other media.
- 2. Video content is sensitive to distortions and Watermarking may degrade the quality.
- 3. Video compression algorithms are computationally rigorous.
- 4. Video require large bandwidth that is why it is mostly carried in compressed domain. So Watermarking algorithm is also adaptable for compress area processing.

II. SCHEME OF IMPLEMENTATION

2.1 Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT)

The Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) is used in a wide variety of signal processing applications. 2-D discrete wavelet transform (DWT) decomposes an image or a video frame into sub-images, 3 details and 1 approximation. The 2-D DWT is an application of the 1-D DWT in both the horizontal and the vertical directions. DWT separates the frequency band of an image into a lower resolution approximation sub-band (LL) as well as horizontal (HL), vertical (LH) and diagonal (HH) detail components. Watermark is embedded in low frequencies obtained by Wavelet decomposition which increases the robustness. So that resultant watermark video become susceptible to different attacks that have low pass characteristics like filtering, loss compression and geometric distortions.



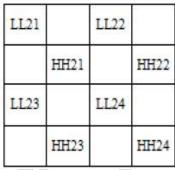


Fig-1: DWT sub-bands in (a) level 1, (b) level 2.

2.2 Watermark embedding process

The Watermark embedding process consists of the following steps:

- 1. Video is divided into frames RGB frames are converted to YUV frames.
- 2. 2-DWT is applied on it. .
- 3. RGB watermark image is converted into a vector P= {p1, p2... p32x32} of zeros and ones.
- 4. This vector P is again divided into n parts. Then each part is embedded into each of the corresponding LL and HH sub bands. The watermark pixels are embedded with strength x into the maximum coefficient Mi of each PC block Yi. The embedding equation is:

$$Mi = Mi + xW \tag{1}$$

Where, x is the watermark embedding strength.

5. Inverse DWT is applied to obtain the watermarked luminance component of the frame. Finally watermarked frame is reconstructed and watermarked video is obtained.

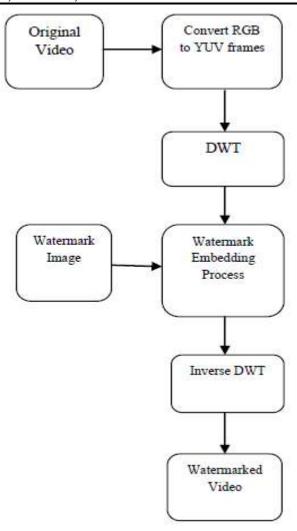


Fig-2: Watermark embedding process.

2.3. Watermark Extraction Process

The steps used for watermark extraction is the same as the steps in the embedding but in the reverse direction. As follows

- 1. Watermarked video is converted into frames. Each RGB frame is converted to YUV representation.
- 2. DWT is applied. LL and HH sub-bands divided into nxn non-overlapping blocks.
- 3. Following equation is used to extract watermark

$$W = \frac{M_i^1 - M_i}{x}$$
 (2)

$$NC = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j W(i,j) \cdot W'(i,j)}{\sum_i \sum_j W(i,j)^2}$$
 (3)

Where, NC is the normalized correlation. NC value is 1 when the watermark and the extracted watermark are identical and zero if the two are different from each other.

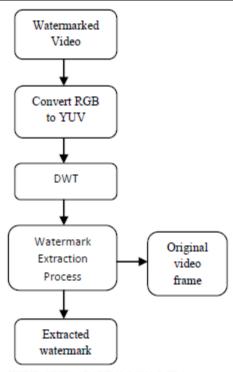


Fig-3: Watermark extraction process.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Above algorithm is applied to a sample video sequence Vipmen.avi using binary watermark logo. The original sampled frame and its corresponding watermarked frame are shown in Fig. Watermarked frame appears visually identical to the original. The performance of algorithm can be measured in terms of its imperceptibility and robustness against the possible attacks. Watermarked frame is subjected to a variety of attacks such as Gamma correction, Contrast adjustment, Histogram equalization etc. In case of geometric attacks scheme is tested against Frame resizing, Frame rotation, Frame cropping. To evaluate the performance of any watermarking system, Peak Signal to Noise Ratio (PSNR) is used as a general measure of the visual quality of the watermarking system. PSNR: The Peak-Signal-To-Noise Ratio (PSNR) is used to measure deviation of the watermarked and attacked frames from the original video frames and is defined as:

$$PSNR = 10 \log_{10}(255^2/MSE)$$
 (4)

Where MSE (mean squared error) between the original and distorted frames (size m x n) is defined as:

$$MSE = (1/mn) \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} [I(i,j) - I'(i,j)]$$
 (5)

Where I and I' are the pixel values at location (i, j) of the original and the distorted frame respectively. Higher values of PSNR indicate more imperceptibility of watermarking. It is expressed in decibels (dB).

NC: The normalized coefficient (NC) gives a measure of the robustness of watermarking and its peak value is 1.

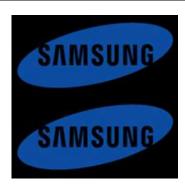
$$NC = \frac{\sum_{i} \sum_{j} w(i,j).w'(i,j)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i} \sum_{j} w'(i,j)} \sqrt{\sum_{i} \sum_{j} w'(i,j)}}$$
Where W and W' represent the original and extracted watermark respectively.

IV. RESULT

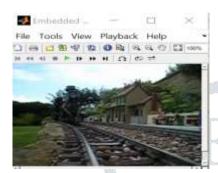
Following screens show the process of embedding, extracting of watermark into video and framing of the video In this screen the PSNR value, MSE value and optimizations displayed in the form of graphical representation



Original video



original watermark



Embedded video



Extracted watermark

Table 1 Output Values:

Iteration	PSNR	MSE	NC
1	147.7141	0.0250	1
2	16 <mark>4.919</mark> 0	0.0045	1
3	147.7299	0.0250	1

IV. CONCLUSION

Conclusion of this method is that there are many type of watermark techniques which are helpful to protect the data in the form of image, audio, text and video. So we can use these techniques of watermark in video where video is combination of sequence of frames. And we can create some different type of equation to hide data or image data in frames of video. The existing color image watermarking schemes were always designed to mark the image luminance component only, which are sensitive to color attacks and geometric distortion. We have proposed a blind color watermarking method in quaternion Fourier transform domain with Bees algorithm optimization. The method embeds the watermark information into original color image by adaptively modulating the real coefficients of quaternion Fourier transform and then the section and optimization is done with the help of Bees algorithm.

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