

High Security Text Message and Digital Image for Discrete Wavelet Transform

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Abstract - "Steganography" is a strategy that defeats unapproved clients to approach the critical information, to imperceptibility and payload limit utilizing the diverse system like discrete cosine transform (DCT) and discrete wavelet transform (DWT). The available methods till date result in good robustness but they are not independent of file format. The point of this exploration work is to build up an autonomous of record organize and secure concealing information conspire. The independent of file format and secure hiding data scheme is increased by combining DWT and least significant bits (LSB) technique. In like manner a proficient plan is produced here that are having better MSE and PSNR against various characters.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Proof, verification of-proprietorship or other enlightening data. This might lead to further duplication and re-distribution leaving the rights holders powerless and royalty-less [3]. To enhance the security of audio data, digital watermarking and steganography techniques complement cryptography for protecting content even after it is deciphered [4].

The study of multimedia security [5] therefore includes not just encryption but also watermarking and steganography. Steganography and Watermarking almost interchangeably, refers to hiding secondary information into the primary multimedia source. The primary multimedia sources can be audio, image, and video. There are unique techniques associated with each type of primary perceptual sources depending on their inherent redundancy and perceptual properties. These techniques have been proposed as alternative methods to enforce the intellectual property rights and protect digital media from tampering [6]. In this thesis work the primary multimedia source is image.

Recent growth of digital image content over internet has increased the need for the protection of digital media. The image transmitted through internet and wireless communication channels can suffer various threats. One of the major threats is the threat of confidentiality. This threat represents the possibilities of accessing the audio data via unauthorized channels. Another issue is the threat of integrity, where the resource can be altered, by

unauthorized entities, without any detection. Threat of availability is possession of a confidential audio content through some illicit channels. Various other threats include replication of digital data without any information loss and manipulations of the same without any detection. A feasible solution is required, for telecommunication, consumer electronics and information technology industries, to provide secure transmission of content without sacrificing their security rights [1]. Emerging technologies for audio security has three main objectives: secure content transmission, authentication of audio information and copy control to protect audio data from illegal distribution and theft [2]. Cryptography has been established as a technology of fundamental importance for securing digital transfers of data over unsecured channels. By providing encryption of digital data, cryptography enables trustworthy point-to-point information exchange and transactions. When The beneficiary approves and unscrambles the information, the item can be thusly taken from any substance recognizable

The word steganography was originated from Greek which means covered writing. Steganography is the oldest form of covert channel. A famous illustration of steganography is Simmons' Prisoners' Problem [7]. Audio Steganography is the act of embedding a secret message within a larger message so that others cannot discern the presence of the secret message [8]. Steganography can be used to hide a message intended for later retrieval by a specific individual or group. Audio watermarking involves a process of embedding into host audio signal a perceptually transparent digital signature, carrying a message about the host data in order to mark its ownership. The aim in watermarking systems is to ensure the robustness of the hidden message; the presence of the embedded message itself does not have to be secret [9].

The watermark is always present in the signal, even in illegal copies of it and the protection that is offered by the watermarking system is therefore of a permanent kind. Although the process of watermark embedding and steganography are similar, there are some basic differences between the two techniques. Steganography methods assume that the existence of the covert communication is unknown to third parties and are mainly used in secret one-

to-one communication between authorized users. On the other hand, watermarking is to hide message in one-to-many communications. Steganography methods usually do not need to provide strong security against removing or modification of the hidden message. Whereas, watermarking methods need to be very robust to attempts to remove or modify a hidden message.

II. DIGITAL WATERMARKING

Watermarking basically refers to information hiding. Information or digital signal in the form of images, audio, video or text is hidden or inserted. This information to be hidden is termed as Watermark. The watermark can be hidden in cover/host/carrier signal. The host popularly can be text file, image, audio file or video file. Depending on the type of host, watermarking can be categorized as:

- Text watermarking
- Digital image watermarking,
- Digital audio watermarking and
- Digital video watermarking

To have efficient copyright protection, watermarking algorithms must possess certain characteristics. Depending on the application requirement different characteristics can be primary objectives. The most desirable characteristics [2] are listed below:

Robustness- Robustness refers to difficulty in removing or destroying watermark from host image when watermarked image is subjected to image processing attacks.

Imperceptibility- Imperceptibility dictates the inability to notice the existence of watermark in host image and retained visual quality of host image after embedding watermark into it.

Capacity- Capacity refers to amount of information that can be embedded in host image. Capacity depends on the application and the image.

Security- Watermarking algorithm is secure if knowing the algorithm to embed and extract the watermark does not help an unauthorised party to detect the presence of watermark.

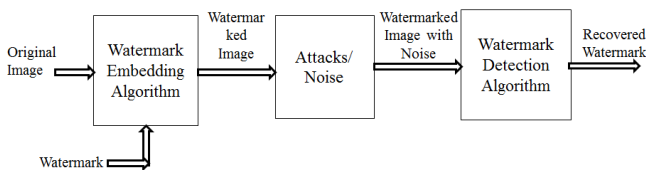


Fig. 1: General advanced watermark life-cycle stages with installing, assaulting, and discovery and recovery capacities

All these characteristics cannot be achieved simultaneously as there is always a trade-off between them. For example,

robustness and imperceptibility are contradictory to each other. Watermarking algorithm having high robustness usually sacrifices imperceptibility and vice versa. For higher robustness increased capacity is desired. But increased capacity leads to compromising imperceptibility. Watermarking methods introduced in proposed work aim to provide higher robustness as well as imperceptibility.

III. DISCRETE WAVELET TRANSFORM

The model utilized as a part of [5] to actualize the tree structure of Direct Wavelet Transform (DWT) depends on the separating procedure. Figure 1 portrayed a total 2-level Direct WT. In this figure G and H is the high pass and low pass channel separately.

Calculation period is the quantity of the information cycles for one time creates yield tests. In general, the computation period is $M=$ for a j -level DWT. The period of the 2-level computation is 8. Figure 1, The Sub band Coding Algorithm As an example, suppose that the original signal $X[n]$ has N - sample points, spanning a frequency band of zero to π rad/s. At the first decomposition level, the signal passed through the high pass and low pass filters, followed by subsampling by 2. The output of the high pass filter has $N/2$ - sample points (hence half the time resolution) but it only spans the frequencies $\pi/2$ to π rad/s (hence double the frequency resolution).

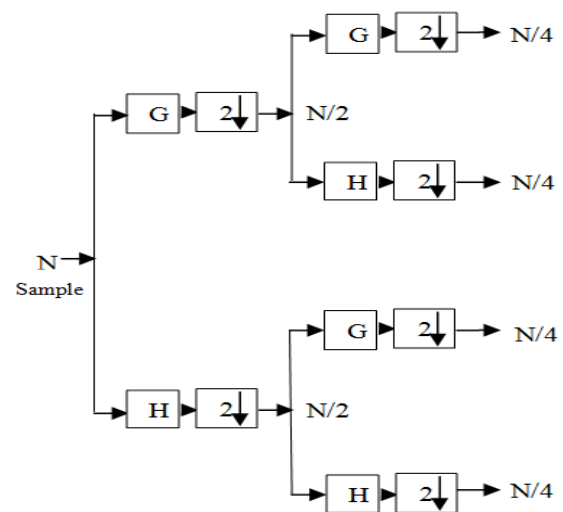


FIG.2: 2- LEVELS FOR DWT. WHERE G, H ARE THE HIGH-PASS AND LOW-PASS FILTER COEFFICIENT

The output of the low-pass filter also has $N/2$ - sample points, but it spans the other half of the frequency band, frequencies from 0 to $\pi/2$ rad/s. Again low and high-pass filter output passed through the same low pass and high pass filters for further decomposition. The output of the second low pass filter followed by sub sampling has $N/4$ samples spanning a frequency band of 0 to $\pi/4$ rad/s, and the output of the second high pass filter followed by sub sampling has $N/4$ samples spanning a frequency band of $\pi/4$ to $\pi/2$ rad/s. The second high pass filtered signal

constitutes the second level of DWT coefficients. This signal has half the time resolution, but twice the frequency resolution of the first level signal. This process continues until two samples are left. For this particular case there would be 3 levels of deterioration, each having a large portion of the quantity of tests of the past level.

The DWT of the first flag is then gotten by connecting all coefficients beginning from the last level of decay (staying two examples, for this situation). The DWT will then have an indistinguishable number of coefficients from the first flag.

IV. PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

DST involves decomposition of image into frequency channel of constant bandwidth. This causes the similarity of available decomposition at every level. DST is implemented as multistage transformation. Level wise decomposition is done in multistage transformation.

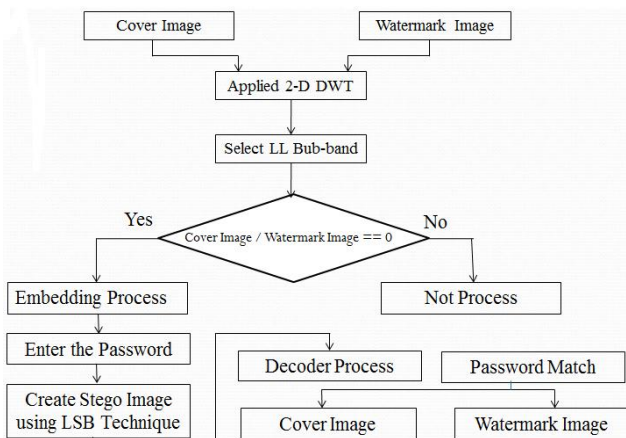


Fig. 3: Flow Chart of Proposed Methodology

S is a diagonal matrix of singular values in decreasing order. The fundamental thought behind SVD strategy of watermarking is to discover SVD of picture and the modifying the particular incentive to insert the watermark. In Digital watermarking plans, SVD is used due to its basic properties:

A small aggravation incorporated the photo, does not cause tremendous assortment in its singular characteristics. The particular esteem speaks to inborn logarithmic picture properties [3].

Algorithm for Watermark Embedding

Step 1: Take host image as input and convert it into Rearrange image original (RIO).

Step 2: Apply 2-D DWT on rearranged image original (RIO) to decompose it into seven sub-bands.

Step 3: Select sub-band LL₂ of RI.

Step 4: Then apply SVD to sub-bands LL₂ to get UR, ΣR and V^TR.

Step 5: Take watermark image as input and convert it into Rearrange image watermark (RIW). Apply 2-D DWT on rearranged image watermark (RIO) to decompose into seven sub-bands.

Step 6: Select sub-bands LL₂ of Wi.

Step 7: Then apply SVD to sub-bands LL₂ to get UW, ΣW and V^TW.

Step 8: Modify UR, ΣR and V^TR by using equation

$$UR^* = UR + (0.10 * UW);$$

$$\Sigma R^* = \Sigma R + (0.10 * \Sigma W);$$

$$V^{TR*} = V^{TR} + (0.10 * V^{TW});$$

Step 9: Construct modified SVD matrix UR, ΣR* and V^TR*.*

Step 10: Apply inverse SVD.

Step 11: Apply inverse DWT and finally get watermarked image WI.

LSB Technique:-

This technique works best when the file is longer than the message file and if image is grayscale.

When applying LSB technique to each byte of a 24 bit image, three bits can be encoded into each pixel.

If the LSB of the pixel value of cover image C(i, j) is equal to the message bit SM of secret message to be embedded C(i, j) remain unchanged; if not, set the LSB of C(i, j) to SM.

Message embedding procedure is given below:

$$S(i, j) = C(i, j) - 1, \text{ if LSB } (C(i, j)) = 1 \text{ and SM} = 0$$

$$S(i, j) = C(i, j) + 1, \text{ if LSB } (C(i, j)) = 0 \text{ and SM} = 1$$

$$S(i, j) = C(i, j), \text{ if LSB } (C(i, j)) = \text{SM}$$

Where LSB (C(i, j)) stand for LSB of cover image C(i, j) and “SM” id the next message bit to be embedded. S(i, j) is the Stego image.

The proposed method follows a directional embedding technique for achieving maximum image quality in the stego image. The proposed method performs a selection of suitable direction for secret byte embedding so as to minimize the bit changes in the cover image when a secret data is embedded.

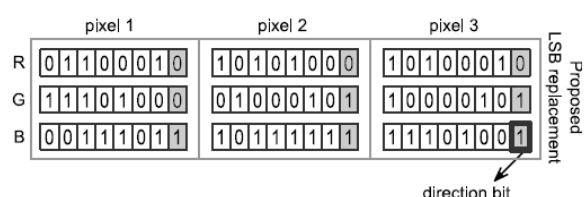


Fig. 4: LSB embedding of the byte 11110000 in the cover image using the proposed method.

As you can see in Fig. 4, the byte 11110000 is embedded in a reverse order (00001111) in the original cover image for minimizing the number of alterations. Here also, we take three consecutive pixels (say p_1 , p_2 and p_3) for embedding a byte of information. Firstly, the red channels of p_1 , p_2 and p_3 are replaced with secret bits, followed by their green and blue channels. A direction bit is added at the 9-th bit which indicates that the preceding data is in stored in a reverse order. A value for the direction bit indicates a normal forward direction of storing data while a value 1 for the direction bit indicates that the data is stored in reverse direction.

V. SIMULATION RESULTS

The digital wavelet transform are scalable in nature. DWT more frequently used in digital image watermarking because of its excellent spatial localization and multi resolution techniques. The excellent spatial localization property is very convenient to recognize the area in the cover image in which the watermark is embedded efficiently.

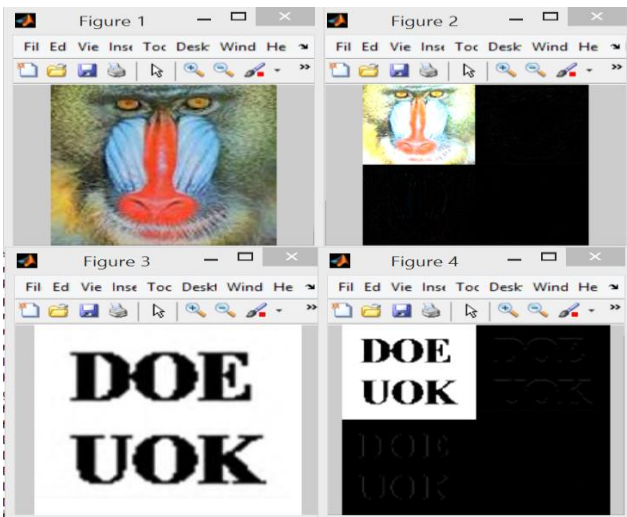


Fig. 5: Original Color and Watermark Image with 2-D DWT

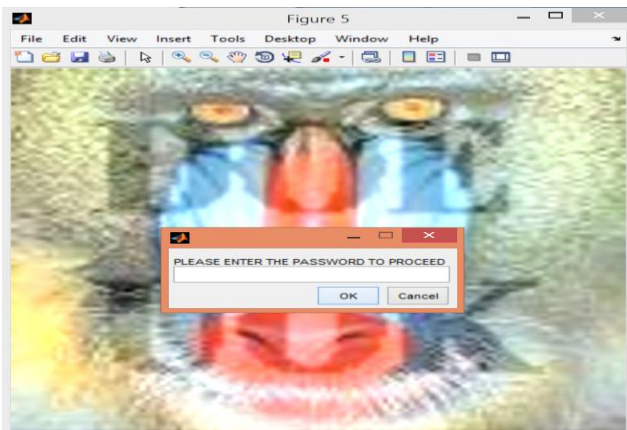


Fig.6: Embedding Process with Enter the Password

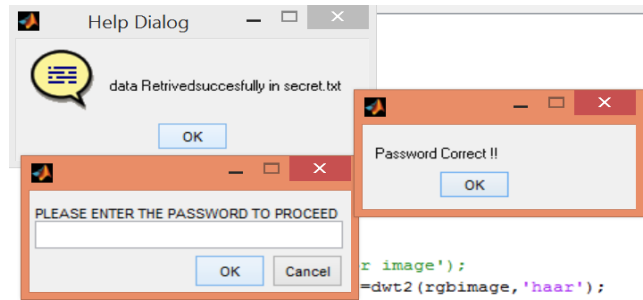


Fig. 7: Enter the Password

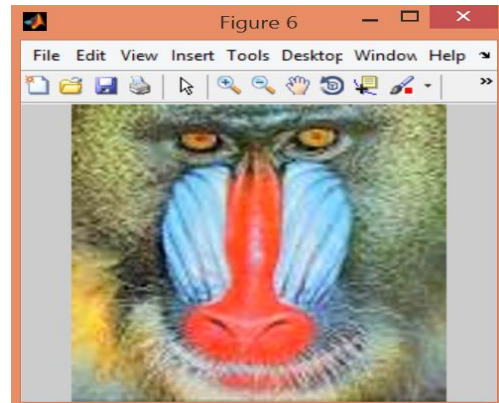


Fig. 8: Output Image

Table 1: Results for MSE & PSNR

Images	Size	MSE	PSNR (dB)
Lena	256×256	0.3232	53.0362
Baboon	256×256	0.3138	53.1646
Peppers	256×256	0.4371	51.7249
Tank	256×256	0.2060	54.9926
Truck	256×256	0.2404	54.3217
Airplane	256×256	0.2000	55.1209
Boat	256×256	0.2917	53.3933
Real	256×256	0.2144	54.8191

Table II: Results for MSE & PSNR

Images	Size	MSE	PSNR (dB)
Lena	512×512	1.2962	47.0042
Baboon	512×512	1.2570	47.1374
Peppers	512×512	1.7447	45.7135
Tank	512×512	0.8340	48.9190
Truck	512×512	0.9631	48.2942
Airplane	512×512	0.814	49.0920
Boat	512×512	1.1931	47.3641
Real	512×512	0.8629	48.7710

Table III: Comparison Result

		Previous Design	Proposed Design
Images	Size	PSNR (dB)	PSNR (dB)
Lena	512×512	37.32	47.0042
Baboon	512×512	33.18	47.1374
Peppers	512×512	37.47	45.7135
Tank	512×512	36.83	48.9190
Truck	512×512	36.70	48.2942
Airplane	512×512	36.65	49.0920
Boat	512×512	37.38	47.3641

VI. CONCLUSION

It has been proved that the use of DWT-SVD with fusion method has improved the security of the watermarking scheme. Particular attention is given to the proposed scheme to from the above descriptions, it have been shown that using Stenography and Watermarking can ensure a secure message. Besides, it is examined by applying different attacks and the performance is assessed by various factors included PSNR and MSE. The proposed Algorithm successfully analyzed in different image file format. The results have confirmed the effectiveness of the introduced method with and without the attacks.

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