

A Review Paper on Enhanced Invisible of Digital Image Using Discrete Cosine Transform Space Scheme

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Abstract - Digital image watermarking handling image data transfer on internet now a day's main problem data security invisible of digital image is now readily available on personal computers. It's therefore very simple to tamper with any digital image and make it available to others. Insuring digital image integrity has therefore become a serious issue. Watermarking has become a well-liked technique for copyright enforcement and image authentication. Source image is taken in row major order and discrete cosine transformation is applied thereon to get two frequency components low and high. It describes the first work distributed on digital watermarks, including the brief analysis of varied watermarking schemes and its applications. One bits of the authenticating image are embedded into each transformed (DCT) coefficients except the primary one and low PSNR. Digital watermarking may be a technology being ongoing to make sure and make easy data authentication .the majority of the proposed methods supported watermarking, place a specific importance on the view of content authentication instead of strict integrity. During in research study paper are find out low PSNR and low robustness , they initiate the view of image data content and also authentication image data and therefore the features required to design an efficient authentication scheme. Proposed scheme supported two kinds of bits shifting process, Main idea of this work is that the proposition of a strong watermarking scheme applied within the frequency domain. This scheme is invisible and robust against many attacks and improving PSNR. Finding the simplest normalized correlation to evaluate the image resistance against attacks.

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I. Introduction

The digital revolution, the explosion of communication networks, and therefore the increasingly growing passion of the overall public for brand spanking new information technologies cause exponential growth of multimedia

document traffic (image, text, audio, video, etc.). This phenomenon is now so important that insuring protection and control of the exchanged data has become a serious issue. Indeed, from their digital nature, multimedia documents are often duplicated, modified, transformed, and diffused very easily. During this context, it's important to develop systems for copyright protection, protection against duplication, and authentication of content. Watermarking seems to be the choice solution for reinforcing the protection of multimedia document. Steganography offers an important alternative to image integrity and authenticity problem. It's a form of knowledge hiding technique that gives differently of security protection for digital image data. Unlike utilizing a specific cipher algorithm to shield secret data from illicit access, the aim of steganography is to embed secret data in preselected meaningful images, called cover images, without creating visually perceptible changes to stay an invader unaware of the existence of the key. Generally, a steganographic message could also be picture, video, sound file. A message could also be hidden by using algorithms like invisible ink between the visible lines of innocuous documents to make sure the protection which may be a big concern in modern-day image trafficking across the network. Steganography are often achieved in two ways. One is spatial domain steganography and another is frequency domain steganograph. In spatial domain steganography the hidden information is directly embedded into image pixels. In frequency domain steganography the image pixels are first transformed into frequency domain using discrete Fourier transformation discrete cosine transformation discrete wavelet transformation etc. Then the knowledge is embedded on that. Genetic Algorithm in conjunction with steganography has been incorporated within the research work to feature another layer of security for more sensitive application like military people, research institute and diagnosis etc. Data hiding refers to the nearly invisible [1] embedding of data within a number data set as message, image or video. A classic example of steganography is that of a prisoner communicating with the surface world under the supervision of a warden. the

information hiding represents a useful alternative to the development of a hypermedia document or image, which is extremely less convenient to control. The goal of steganography is to cover the message/image within the source image by some key techniques and cryptography may be a process to cover the message content. The motive is to cover a message inside a picture keeping its visible properties the source image as near to the first. The foremost common methods to form these alterations are usage of the least-significant bit (LSB) developed through masking, filtering and transformations on the source image. Present proposal would facilitate secure message transmission through block based data hiding. Most of the works used minimum bits of the hidden image for embedding in spatial domain, but the proposed algorithm embeds in transformed domain with a bare minimum distortion of visual property [2].

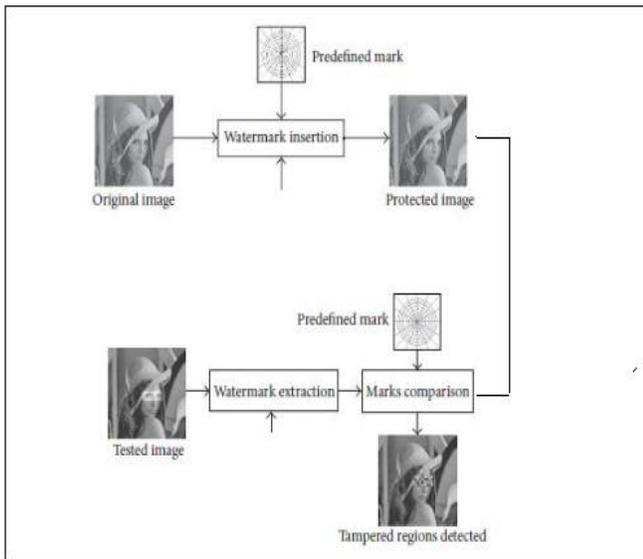


Fig1 General Block diagram of watermarking image data hiding

Currently the quality Discrete Cosine Transformation (DCT) based algorithm of the JPEG is that the most generally used and accepted for the colour compression. However, at very low bit rates, this algorithm exhibits within the reconstructed images blocking artifacts, which aren't visually very pleasing. With almost no exception, every transform scheme chooses the 2-D DCT that's applied on non-overlapped image blocks of a square are size $N \times N$. In practice, this conventional $N \times N$ DCT is usually implemented separately through two N -point transforms, one along the vertical direction and another along the horizontal direction [02, 13]. It requires

$N2 \log 2N$ steps, and therefore the VQ (vector Quantization) is powerful technique applied for the low bit rate source coding. A vector quantize maps may be a k - D vector blocks into one among the representative vectors within the finite K - D Euclidian space and only the related index is transmitted or stored. If a picture block contains K pixels and there are N_c represented vectors during a codebook, the coding bit-rate are often calculated by $R = \log 2n/k$ high compression are often attained by VQ in order that the VQ technique attracted much attention within the area of image coding but many improvements are suggested [3]. Requirements of Digital Image Watermarking: Digital image watermarking concerns to unravel some issues properly, thus, this paper highlights the most requirements of watermarked image as following:

A. Robustness: The robustness is that the ability of detecting the watermark after some signal processing modification like spatial filtering, scanning and printing, lossy compression, translation, scaling, and rotation, and other operations like digital to analog (D/A), analog to digital (A/D) conversions, cutting, image enhancement. Additionally, not all watermarking algorithms have an equivalent level of robustness, some techniques are robust against some manipulation operations, however, they fail against other stronger attacks. Moreover, it's not always desirable for watermark to be robust, in some cases; it's desired for the watermark to be fragile [4]. Therefore, the robustness are often classified as following:

- Robust: The watermark is meant to be ready to survive against incidental and intentional attacks [5]. this type of watermarking are often utilized in broadcast monitoring, copyright protection, fingerprinting, and replica control.
- Fragile: The watermark during this type is meant to be destroyed at any quite modification, to detect any illegal manipulation, even slight changes, involving incidental and intentional attacks. Fragile watermarks are mainly utilized in content authentication and integrity verification. They use blind detection type, because it are going to be discussed in Detection Types. additionally, the implementation of fragile techniques is simpler than the implementation of strong ones.
- Semi-fragile: The watermark during this type is strong against incidental modifications, but fragile against malicious attacks. And it's used for image authentication [6].

B. Imperceptibility: Imperceptibility (also referred to as Invisibility and Fidelity) is that the most vital requirement in Watermarking system and it refers to the perceptual

similarity between the first image before watermarking process and therefore the watermarked image. In other words, the watermarked image should look almost like the first image, and therefore the watermark must be invisible in spite of occurrence of small degradation in image contrast or brightness. However, the challenge is that imperceptibility might be achieved, but the robustness and therefore the capacity are going to be reduced, and the other way around, imperceptibility could also be sacrificed by increasing the robustness and therefore the capacity[7].

II. Related Work

Cox et al. [8] applied the DCT on the totality of them image to insert the signature in the low frequency coefficients of the host image. Cox et al. choose the "N" coefficients of greater amplitude (except the DC component) for editing. A watermark embeds an imperceptible signal into data such as audio, video and images, for a variety of purposes, including captioning and copyright control. In this paper, we first outline the desirable characteristics of digital watermarks. Previous work in digital watermarking is then reviewed. Early work identified redundant properties of an image (or its encoding) that can be modified to encode watermarking information. The early emphasis was on hiding data, since the envisioned applications were not concerned with signal distortions or intentional tampering that might remove a watermark. However, as watermarks are increasingly used for purposes of copyright control, robustness to common signal transformations and resistance to tampering have become important considerations. Researchers have recently recognized the importance of perceptual modeling and the need to embed a signal in perceptually significant regions of an image, especially if the watermark is to survive lossy compression. However, this requirement conflicts with the need for the watermark to be imperceptible. Several recent approaches that address these issues are discussed

Langelaar et al. [9] proposed a watermarking scheme substitutive by the thresholding of the DCT coefficients. Each region of the image is divided into two regions of equal size and contains the same number of blocks. Each selected block will carry a bit of the message to be inserted. The bit is inserted by introducing an energy difference between the blocks of the first region and the second region of the blocks. The energy difference is created by annulling the DCT coefficients above a given cut-off frequency. In the European project SMASH a mass

multimedia storage device for home usage is being developed. The success of such a storage system depends not only on technical advances, but also on the existence of an adequate copy protection method. Copy protection for visual data requires fast and robust labeling techniques. In this paper, two new labeling techniques are proposed. The first method extends an existing spatial labeling technique. This technique divides the image into blocks and searches an optimal label- embedding level for each block instead of using a fixed embedding-level for the complete image. The embedding-level for each block is dependent on a lower quality JPEG compressed version of the labeled block. The second method removes high frequency DCT-coefficients in some areas to embed a label. A JPEG quality factor and the local image structure determine how many coefficients are discarded during the labeling process. Using both methods a perceptually invisible label of a few hundred bits was embedded in a set of true color images. The label added by the spatial method is very robust against JPEG compression. However, this method is not suitable for real-time applications. Although the second DCT-based method is slightly less resistant to JPEG compression, it is more resistant to line-shifting and cropping than the first one and is suitable for real-time labeling.

Hajjaji et al. [10] use the space of the DCT insertion space, the "watermark" is a footprint of size $N \times N$. At the detection, the existence of the original image is required for the extraction of "watermark" according to various alterations. Main idea of this work is the proposition of a robust watermarking scheme applied in the medical domain. This scheme is invisible and robust against many attacks. Our work consists to hiding the information specific to the patient into the host image in order to control integrity, authentication of the patient information. In this technique the standard JPEG compression is used for embedding data own to the patient in their medical image. For the insertion and extraction steps of the watermark, we chose to their affect that just after the quantization phase. For the proper identification, of inserted data, the serial Errors Correcting Codes (ECC) is used for verification and correcting errors produced on the data already inserted. For evaluation our proposed scheme, several type of medicals image are used such as MRI, Echo graphic, and Radiographic images.

Sameh Ouesleti et. Al [11], the authors propose a watermarking scheme applied on medical imaging by

using a combination of the human visual system (HVS) and the fuzzy inference system (FIS). Their proposed insertion spaces in the discrete cosine transform. Indeed, benefits the characteristics, from the different Discrete Cosine Transform blocks, for automate the visibility factor. The implementation of our watermarking system is based on a hybrid system combining the human visual system (HVS) and the fuzzy inference system (FIS), which always passes through the transcription of human expertise in the form of fuzzy rules expressed in natural language, which allows our watermarking system remain understandable for non expert and become more friendly. The technique discussed in this paper is the use of an advanced approach to the technique of watermark that is the multi-watermark or the watermarking multiple of medical images in the frequency domain. In this approach, the emphasis will be on the safe side and the invisibility while maintaining robustness against a certain target range of attacks. Furthermore, this approach is based on a technique totally blind as we will detail later.

Nirupama et. al., [12] proposed an algorithm to protect digital data by embedding watermark that is encrypted by DES algorithm. Two level discrete wavelet transformation (DWT) is applied to the original image before apply watermarking in it. The digital data are transmitted using the Internet. So digital data must be secure, copyright protected, and authenticated at the same time. This paper proposes an algorithm to protect digital data by embedding watermark that is encrypted by DES algorithm. Two level discrete wavelet transformation (DWT) is applied to the original image. This ensures robustness of the proposed scheme. DES encryption to the watermark with a key and iterating operations ensure security of the watermark information. Encryption and decryption key is same for both the process. If we want to extract the watermark image, we must obtain the secret key. The experimental result shows that the watermark is robust against various attacks.

In 2009, Mei Jiansheng et. al., [13] introduce a discrete wavelet transform digital watermark algorithm based on human vision characters. In this technique, first of all watermark image is transformed by using DCT transformation. Then this watermark image is embedded into the high frequency band of wavelet transformation domain. This paper introduces an algorithm of digital watermarking based on Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT) and Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT). According to the characters of human vision, in this algorithm, the

information of digital watermarking which has been discrete Cosine transformed, is put into the high frequency band of the image which has been wavelet transformed. Then distills the digital watermarking with the help of the original image and the watermarking image. The simulation results show that this algorithm is invisible and has good robustness for some common image processing operation.

In 2009, S.S. Bedi et. al., [14] exploit the characteristic of the Human Visual System to embed a robust and imperceptible watermark in transform domain using edge detection. The human visual system exhibits reduced sensitivity to distortions in the regions of an image where the rate of change is significant. This entails that a watermark with significant value can be robust and if it resides near around edges and textured areas of an image, it would be imperceptible as well. The present work exploits this characteristic of the human visual system to embed a robust and imperceptible watermark in transform domain using edge detection. The embedding is done at block level in either the discrete Hartley transform (DHT) domain or in discrete cosine transform (DCT) domain. The watermark is embedded block by block in different blocks of the image. The decision whether to embed in DHT domain or in DCT domain is based on the number of edges which exist in a given block in the image to be watermarked. Hence the threshold number of edges acts as a key in this algorithm and is used in the embedding as well in the extraction process of the watermark. The results demonstrate the robustness of scheme against common image processing operations like cropping, low pass filter, noise and lossy JPEG compression with various quality index factors. Results also illustrate that the watermark is perceptually transparent, recoverable, recognizable and robust even after the watermarked image has been passed through severe attacks.

In 2012, Navnidhi Chaturvedi et. al., [15] have compared watermarking using DWT & DWT-DCT method's performance analysis on basis of PSNR.

Lai et. al., [16] the main objective of developing an image-watermarking technique is to satisfy both imperceptibility and robustness requirements to achieve this objective, a hybrid image-watermarking scheme based on discrete wavelet transform (DWT) and singular value decomposition (SVD) is proposed in this paper. In our approach, the watermark is not embedded directly on

the wavelet coefficients but rather than on the elements of singular values of the cover image's DWT sub bands. Experimental results are provided to illustrate that the proposed approach is able to withstand a variety of image-processing attacks.

III. CONCLUSION

Research work done on digital image watermarking. It presented the essential model of digital image watermarking for embedding and detection. Next, it mentioned the necessities of any digital image watermarking system. Then it listed a number of the applications of digital image watermarking. Next, it showed the foremost significant techniques in both domains spatial domain and frequency domain. Then it mentioned the common attacks of digital image watermarking the increasing amount of digital exchangeable data generate new information security needs. Multimedia documents, and specifically images, also are affected. In research study main expected image data are more robust, more secure and best solutions will ensure copyright protection and also validity image data of multimedia documents. Digital signature methods offer a stimulating alternative to classical watermarking techniques, there's not a limitation in terms of capacity, low robustness and they vary from image authentication for expert needs, to the protection of digital documents, for instance, images from security. Existing method (DCT) are low robustness and low PSNR. After several tests are applied on the watermarked images, the proposed scheme finding robustness and PSNR. This paper proposed a completely unique embedding/authentication approach supported discrete cosine transformation for gray scale images. From experimental results it's clear that the proposed technique obtained high PSNR and good robustness. Expected outcome more PSNR and best possible answer.

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