

Adaptive Watermarking based on Tree Structure based using 3-4 Level DWT and DCT

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ABSTRACT

An adaptive watermarking scheme provides more contribution related to DWT for image content. In this paper an adaptive watermarking scheme using tree structure is proposed. This watermarking method makes use of a classification procedure for identifying various parts of the image which can be watermarked by using the most suited modulation DWT. This classification depends on a reference image which is derived from the image itself and a prediction of it necessary which has the property of being invariant change to the watermark insertion process. In this paper the results on the basis of psnr, mse, entropy and embedding capability, mean ssim, just noticeable difference have been found. This algorithm is better for the psnr and embedding capability as compared to the previous algorithm. Proposed algorithm has improved successful watermarking image for future work with other compatible algorithm for the security purpose.

Keywords

DWT, Watermarking, Tree structure, DCT, Robustness, embedding capability, entropy, JND

1. INTRODUCTION

Digital watermarking is an important concept of the digital world. In watermarking process, form, image or text are impressed onto paper. In the recent years, the internet's growth has highlighted the mechanisms to privacy in the digital world. This is applied for some information by embed within a digital media technology so that the inserted data becomes important part of this media. This technique serves for different number of purposes such as broadcast monitoring system, data authentication system, data indexing system. Watermarks have two categories for used: In the first category, the watermark consists as a transmission code and then decoding must used to recover the whole process transmitted information correctly. In the second category, the watermark consists as a verification code to identify. Digital watermarks consists the pieces information which added to digital data such as audio, video or still images that can be detected or extracted for assertion of the data. The watermark detector must simply to calculate the performance of a specific pattern in the latter system for used. Since the footprint of the verification watermarking scheme such as more number of pixels per watermark code bit is typically higher for apply. This case gives higher robustness and better performance as compared to the subliminal channel case. In watermarking schemes, the watermark message is embedded to the host signal in different purpose such as additively or multiplicatively. To restore exactly the original image from its watermarked version by removing the watermark extraction done by using this method. It is possible to update the watermark content as for example security attributes i.e one digital signature or some authenticity codes at any time without adding new image distortions. As the introduction of

the concept of adaptive watermarking in the Barton patent there are several schemes. Most methods use Expansion Embedding modulation, DWT modulation or many more recently use their combination.

A digital watermarking technique provides a solution such as longstanding problems faced with copyrighting digital data. Among these solutions may use in most recent schemes for Expansion embedding modulation, now days, DWT modulation is more recent combination in the watermarking process. The main concept with these modulations is to avoid underflows as well as overflows. With help of adding watermark signal to the image caution process must be taken to avoid gray level value such as underflows (negative) and overflows which is greater than a bit depth image for watermarked image at the time of minimizing image distortion.

2. WATERMARKING PROCESS

Digital Watermarking software searches for noise in digital media technology and replaces this noise with useful information. The watermarking process includes three steps for this process such as watermark Insertion, Extraction and Detection. A digital media file is a type of list which contains a large list of 0's and 1's. The watermarking software determines which of these 0's and 1's correspond to redundant or irrelevant details.

3. REQUIREMENTS OF WATER MARKING

The invisible watermarked document should satisfy several criteria used to be effective in the protection of the ownership on demand of intellectual property.

- The watermark must be difficult or it should be impossible to remove at least without applying the visibly degrading the original image,
- The watermark must need to preserve original image modifications that are common property in typical image-processing applications like scaling, color re-quantization, dithering, cropping, and image compression.
- A watermark must imperceptible such as it should not be affecting the experience of viewing the image.
- For some invisible type of watermarking applications, watermarks should be fast detectable by the proper authorities even if imperceptible to the average observer. Such decidability without requiring the original and unwatermarked image would be necessary for efficient recovery of property and subsequent prosecution.

Embedding stage: One of the most important features that make the recognition of images possible by humans is color. Color contains the property that depends on the reflection of light to the eye and the processing of that information in the brain. The color is used every day to tell the difference between the objects, places and the time of day. Usually colors are defined in three dimensional color spaces usually colors are defined in three dimensional color spaces. These could be RGB i.e Red, Green, and Blue, HSV i.e Hue, Saturation, and Value and HSB (Hue, Saturation and Brightness). HUE and HSB are dependent on the human perception of hue, saturation, and brightness. Color represents the distribution of colors within the entire image. This representation includes the amount of each color but not the locations of colors.

4. WATERMARKING ALGORITHM

In this approach, a block based DCT algorithm is developed to embed the information to binary watermark for the color host image. Since some high frequency components may be discarded in image processing operation such as JPEG compression, the very low frequency components of the color host image will be works for the watermark embedding.

The Embedding Algorithm: In embedding technique has presented for the color images, these color image are decomposed into three components R, G and B. Watermark information will be embedded in the G plane using equation 1 to produce G'. Assume that $f(i, j)$ represents the pixel of the component of the RGB representation of the color host image, $w(i, j)$ represents the binary pixel of the watermark.

$$F_k(u, v) = DCT\{f_k(i, j)\},$$

If $w(i, j) = 1$ then

$$F_k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \Delta Q_e\left(\frac{F_k(x, y)}{\Delta}\right) & x, y \in H_k \quad 1 \leq k \leq N_{HB} \\ F_k(x, y) & x, y \notin H_k \quad 1 \leq k \leq N_{HB} \end{cases}$$

If $w(i, j) = 0$ then

$$F_k(x, y) = \begin{cases} \Delta Q_o\left(\frac{F_k(x, y)}{\Delta}\right) & x, y \in H_k \quad 1 \leq k \leq N_{HB} \\ F_k(x, y) & x, y \notin H_k \quad 1 \leq k \leq N_{HB} \end{cases}$$

Where Q_e is the quantization to the nearest even number and Q_o is the quantization to the nearest odd number Δ is a scaling quantity and it is also the quantization step used to quantize either to the even or odd number. The predefined coefficients in each 8x8 sub block are represented by NHB .

5. TREE STRUCTURE BASED WATERMARK EMBEDDER

The tree structure based watermark embedder is designed to embed the binary watermark bits into the selected bit planes of the selected DWT coefficients of the selected trees. In the proposed scheme, the tree structure based watermark embedder has three functions: forming the tree structure, selecting the trees and the DWT coefficients for the watermark embedding, and embedding the binary watermark bits into the selected bit planes of the selected coefficients. All these functions will be presented in the following three subsections.

- The Formation of the Tree Structure
- Selection Trees and DWT Coefficients
- The Watermark Embedding

Extracting stage: In a digital watermarking technique, it is not simple to carry the original image every time in order to detect the owner's information from the watermarked image. For this type of applications which is required different watermarks techniques for different copies so that it is easy to prefer and simple to utilize for some kind of watermark-independent algorithm for extraction process such as de-watermarking. It's give robustness against many attacks including rotation, low pass filtering, salt n paper noise addition and compression. For better activeness, watermark should be perceptually not visible within host media statistically invisible to unauthorized removal and readily extracted by owner of image robust to accidental and intended signal distortion as filtering, compression, re-sampling, retouching, crapping etc. For a digital watermark to be effective for ownership, it must be robust, fragile from a document. It should provide the reliable original information to embed that should be removed by authorized users only.

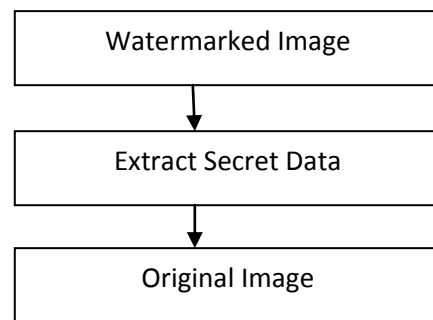


Fig: Extracting stage

The Extraction Algorithm: The embedded information $w(i, j)$ can be extracted by performing 8x8 DCT transform for the watermarked host image and indicate the same coefficients of the host image that carries the 16 bits of the embedded watermarks using the same secret key in the initial scrambling operation.

$$\text{If } Q\left(\frac{F_k(x, y)}{\Delta}\right) \text{ is odd then } w(i, j) = 0$$

$$\text{If } Q\left(\frac{F_k(x, y)}{\Delta}\right) \text{ is even then } w(i, j) = 1$$

Here Q is rounded to the nearest integer and the scaling quantity is the same as the one used in the embedding process.

Robustness: The watermark should be robust such that it must be difficult to extract. The watermark should be robust to different attacks. The robustness explains watermark can be reliably detected after performing some media operations.

6. DISCRETE WAVELET TRANSFORM

Discrete wavelet transform (DWT) is any wavelet transform which contains the discretely sampled wavelets. As compared with other wavelet transforms, main advantage it has over Fourier transform is precision of a measurement with respect to location in time. DWT contains decomposition of image into frequency channel of constant bandwidth. This causes the similarity of available decomposition at every level and DWT is implemented as multistage transformation.

7. DISCRETE COSINE TRANSFORM

A discrete cosine transform (DCT) describes a finite sequence of data points in terms of a sum of cosine functions oscillating at different frequencies. Discrete cosine transform are vitally used to numerous applications in the field of science and engineering. From lossy compression of audio i.e. MP3 and images i.e. JPEG where small high-frequency components to spectral methods for the numerical solution of partial differential equations can be discarded. The use of cosine as compared to sine functions is critical for compression as it turns out that some cosine functions are needed to approximate a typical signal whereas for differential equations the cosines express a particular choice of boundary conditions.

8. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

PSNR - In table 1, PSNR measured to identify the quality of the watermarking image. It is measured on the basis of comparison of previous algorithm and the proposed algorithm. Proposed algorithm has shown improved psnr results for quality of watermarking.

Comparison of PSNR between Previous and our algorithm

	Previous Work	Proposed Work
PSNR	43.9500	93.4798

Table1: Comparison of PSNR between previous and proposed algorithm

In this the graphical representation is shown of the compared psnr results follows as:

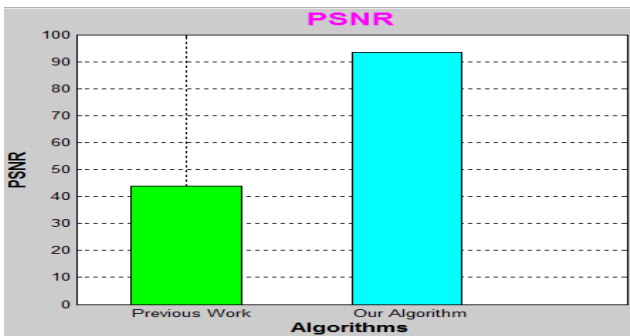


Figure 1, Comparison of PSNR graph

Embedding Capacity - In table 2, embedding capacity of the watermarking images is compared on the basis of previous algorithm and the proposed algorithm. Proposed method has given the more embedding capacity as compare to the previous algorithm for hide the information.

Comparison of Embedding Capacity between Previous and our algorithm

	Previous Work	Proposed Work
Embedding Capacity	393216	1731368

Table 2, Comparison of Embedding Capacity

In figure 2, the graphical representation is shown of the compared embedding capacity results follows as:

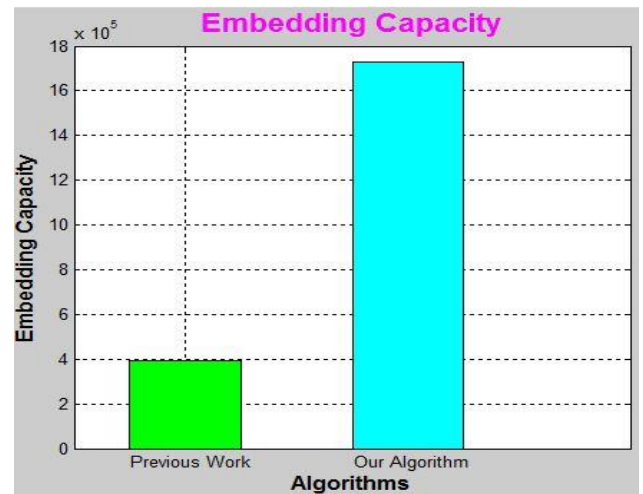


Figure 2, Comparison of Embedding Capacity graph of previous algorithm and proposed algorithm

Entropy - In figure 3, the entropy is calculated for the watermarking image for proposed algorithm. It should be less for better watermarking used image. Proposed algorithm has improved the entropy up to 7.0817 follows as:

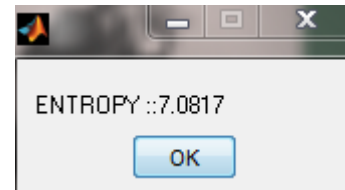


Figure 3, Entropy value of proposed algorithm

MSE - In figure 4, the mse value is calculated for the watermarking image to minimize the error. Proposed algorithm has been reduced the mse up to 0.1571 follows as:

MSE of our algorithm

	Proposed Work
MSE	0.1571

Figure 4, Comparison of Embedding Capacity graph

Just Noticeable Difference—Just Noticeable Difference is used to remove the disparities for the better quality. In table 5, the just noticeable difference is found between the previous method and the proposed method. Proposed method has given the better results up to 0.3000 as compare to the previous method follows as:

Comparison of JND between Previous and our algorithm

	Previous Work	Proposed Work
JND	1.3237	0.3000

Table 5, Comparison of JND

In figure 5, the comparison graph is shown of table 5 for the better visualization.

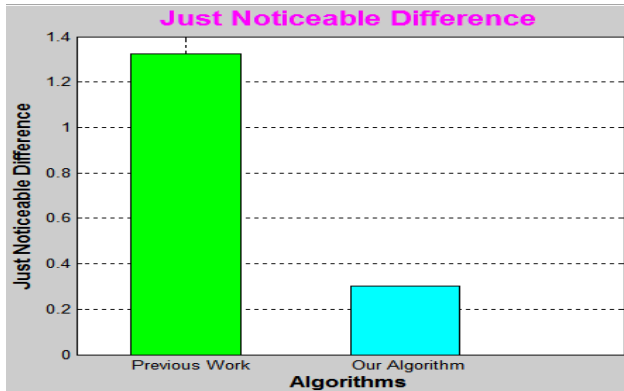


Figure 5, Comparison of JND of previous method and the proposed method

Mean SSIM - Mean SSIM is used to improve the limitations of the psnr and mse for better accuracy. In figure 6, shows the comparison graph of mean SSIM between previous method and the proposed method.

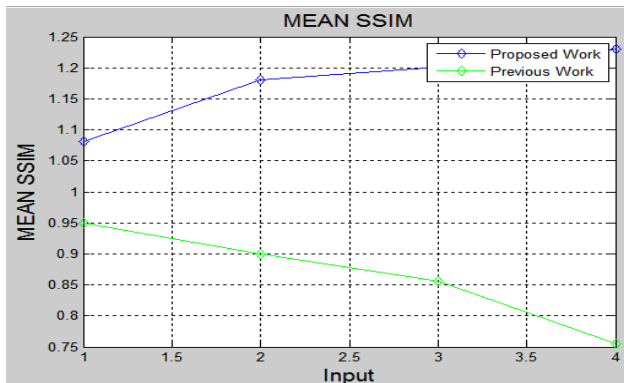


Figure 6, Comparison of Mean SSIM using previous method and the proposed method

9. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

In this paper better results have been found on the basis of proposed methodology of watermarking algorithm, proposed primary goal is on adaptive watermarking scheme that explains identifying each part of the watermarked image. In this watermarking scheme, hidden information of quality image tree structure is improved which contains quadtree decomposition as well as watermarking embedding algorithm to keep the balance between watermarks' imperceptibility and its robustness. It's concluded from obtained results that suitable domain of entropy and embedding capacity is improved. For further more improvement, Force field transform may be applied in future improvement with some watermarking scheme such as copyright infringement hindering in the court of law.

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