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Visible Video Watermarking by using DWT

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Abstract

Nowadays, digital multimedia content (audio or video) can be copied and stored easily and without loss in fidelity. Therefore, it is important to use some kind of property rights protection system. The Problem of illegal manipulation and distribution of digital video is becoming a big issue. To solve this problem, a new technology has been proposed. In this method embedding copy right information in to a digital video. Hidden information carried by a watermark can be spread overall frames of the video sequence, then the whole sequence is necessary to retrieve that information, or each frame contains watermark with the same information, then only a single frame should be enough. In one frame, one single element of the watermark can be embedded into one pixel, into a block of pixels or even into the whole frame. In this project we are implementing video watermarking using Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT)

Keywords: Digital video, watermarking, Image watermark, Discrete wavelet transform.

I.INTRODUCTION

Digital watermarking technology is a general-purpose technology with a wide variety of possible applications [1][2]. The technology offers a means of conveying information inside a digital media file (for example, inside a photo, movie, or song). It frequently is used to signal basic identifying information about the specific media file in which it is contained, much like a file header does. Digital watermarking does not inherently pose risks to privacy. Over the last decade, it has been widely deployed in numerous digital files for a range of purposes, and CDT is not aware of any cases where its use has contributed to significant privacy controversies or abuses. Like many technologies, however, it could raise privacy

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issues if deployed in ways that fail to take privacy questions into account. This paper seeks to offer a set of principles for addressing potential privacy consequences when deploying digital watermarking applications[1][2].

Nowadays, digital multimedia content (audio or video) can be copied and stored easily and without loss in fidelity. Therefore, it is important to use some kind of property rights protection system. The majority of content providers follow wishes of production companies and use copy protection system called Digital Rights Management (DRM). DRM protected content is encrypted during the transmission and the storage at recipient's side and thus protected from copying. But during playing it is fully decrypted. Besides recipients must have a player capable to play DRM encrypted content, the main disadvantage of DRM is that once the content is decrypted, it can be easily copied using widely available utilities. Disadvantages of DRM can be eliminated by using another protection system, watermarking. Watermarking can be considered to be a part of information hiding science called steganography[2]. [3] proposed a method in which the minimization is per-formed in a sequential manner by the fusion move algorithm that uses the QPBO min-cut algorithm. Multi-shape GCs are proven to be more beneficial than single-shape GCs. Hence, the segmentation methods are validated by calculating statistical measures. The false positive (FP) is reduced and sensitivity and specificity improved by multiple MTANN. Steganographic ystems permanently embed hidden information into a cover content so that it is not noticeable. Thus, when anybody copies such content, hidden information is copied as well. Three aspects of information hiding systems contend with each other Security and robustness. Capacity refers to amount of information that can be hidden, security to ability of anybody to detect hidden information, and robustness to the resistance to modifications of the cover content before hidden information is destroyed. Watermarking prefers robustness, i.e. it should be impossible to remove the watermark without severe quality degradation of the cover

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content[4][9],whilesteganography demands high security and capacity, i.e. hidden information is usually fragile and can be destroyed by even trivial modifications.

II.DISCRETEWAVELET TRANSFORM

Discrete wavelet Transform is used to decomposition of an image or a video frame into sub images [6][8][9]. The sub image resembles the original on ¼ the scale of original during approximation. Basically, four coefficient images are divided using discrete wavelet transform in the single level. DWT generates four coefficients: LL, LH, HL, and HH as shown in fig 1. Here HH is diagonal high frequency band, HL is vertical high frequency band, LH is horizontal high frequency band and LL represents low frequency band. In high altitudes, the most prominent information get appears likewise the less prominent information appears in very low altitudes. Data compression can be achieved by discarding these low altitudes. High compression ratio with good quality of reconstruction is enabled by wavelet transform.[6][8][9].

Fig1: DWT sub bands

III.METHODOLOGY

In this proposed design, a random video has been taken as input. Sample frame of this input video is shown in Fig. 1. Now after applying wavelet transform we are getting four parts i.e. LL, LH, HL and HH parts [6][8][9].In this process firstly, Sample frames of input video is converted into gray video frames. In the process of transformation, embedding process is applied on LL part. In which embedded watermark image is as shown in Fig2. A watermarked frame after embedding process is as shown in fig2.

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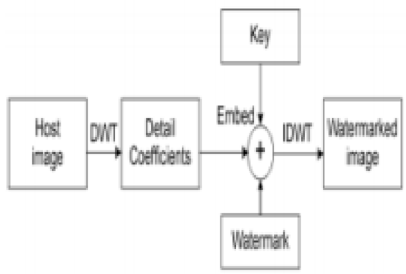

Fig2: Embedding Process

These obtained watermarked frames are converted back to watermarked video. After that recovery process is implemented. In this particular process, we again use to apply discrete wavelet transform to recover the watermarked image [6].

IV. Video Watermarking

Digital video is a sequence of still images, and many image watermarking techniques can be extended to video in a straightforward manner [5][7][8]. In contrast to single images, the large video bandwidth means that long messages can be embedded in video. Speed is also an important issue because of the huge amounts of data that must be processed. Except for video production (which takes place before distribution), digital video is typically stored and distributed in compressed form (e.g., MPEG). Hence, it is often desired that the marked, compressed video should not require more bandwidth than the unmarked, compressed video. This bit-rate constraint could also be an issue for single images. Compressed-domain video watermarking is especially attractive [10].

IV. Results

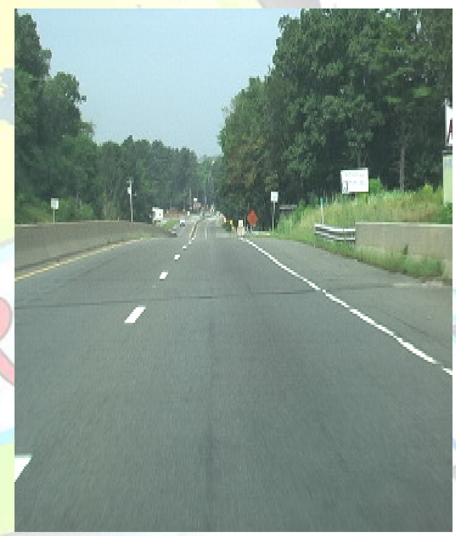

Figure 3 Sample frame of input Video

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Figure 4 Watermarking image

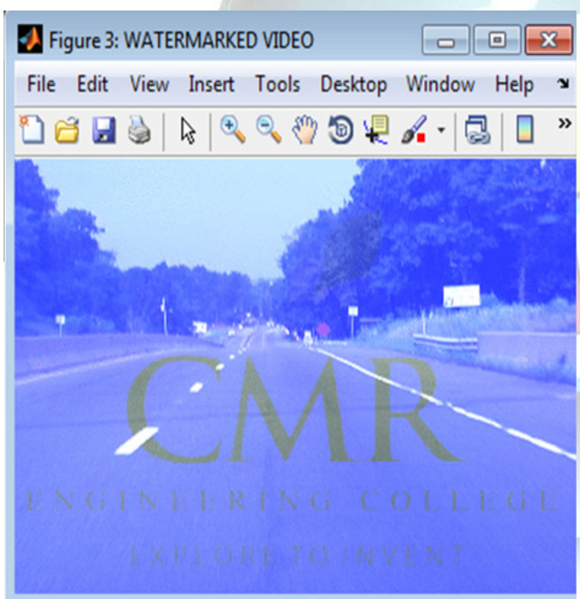

Figure 5 Watermarked video

V. CONCLUSION

Experimental results proved that this watermarking technique utilizes DWT and standard deviation that enhances the protection of the watermark and the video. The invisible watermark is embedded in the lowest frequency band (LL) which helps less degradation of video quality. In addition, it is less affected by noise and very closely resembles the original signal. Still, this technique has certain limitations within which it is restricted to deliver the optimal result. The video taken as an input is of uncompressed avi format. The whole processing is done in grayscale and the output received is also in grayscale .In other words, the proposed algorithm works best on grayscale videos and images. To improvise the above method further, we have to extend its application to all possible videos and images.

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