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# Secure Communication Using Covert Channel DWT/Matrix

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**Abstract:** Compression of image is the technique of reducing size of bytes of image graphics file without losing the excellence of the image. The lessening in file volume allows extra images to be saved/ stored in a given quantity of memory or disk space. We decide DWT because as it provide both frequency and spatial domain characteristic of signal. The Discrete wavelet transforms are an efficient way for compressing images. If there no compression, there is need for drives with big space, and require of more resources.

**Keywords:** Image Processing, Encryption, Decryption, DWT.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Wavelet Transformation is extensively used recently in image compression. Image pixels are changed into coefficients which are actual values. Most energy of the image is compressed into a minute number of coefficients. The image is firstly divided in four regions where the higher left one is the low down resolution sub-band which the power of the image disconcerted. Then it is use with the other detail sub-bands to restructure the original image. Wavelets transform decay the signal into set of basic function, these function are called wavelet. It is given by,

$$\Psi_{a,b}(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \Psi\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right) \dots (1)$$

Where a is the scaling parameter and b is the shifting parameter.

The proposed work relies upon changing the Hyper ghostly Image into discrete wavelet change and breaks down the tensor inside the coefficient came about because of the change, and after that taking converse change to get the picture. The principle favorable position of wavelet is that they permit both spatial and recurrence determination and it is a piece of up and coming pressure norms. Notwithstanding all, human observation inquire about shows that the retina of the eye parts a picture into a few segments which circle from the eye to the cortex in various channels or recurrence groups. The 2D-DWT partitions the data contained in the picture into a guess sub picture and three detail sub pictures, each with a large portion of the determination of the first picture toward every path. The change can be iteratively performed by deteriorating the guess sub picture. The 2D-DWT of function f(x,y) is given by,

$$W_{\phi}(j_0, m, n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x, y) \phi_{j_0, m, n}(x, y) \dots (2)$$

$$W_{\phi}^i(j, m, n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x, y) \phi_{j, m, n}^i(x, y) \dots (3)$$

$$i = \{H, V, D\} \dots (4)$$

The inverse 2D-DWT is given by,

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_m \sum_n W_{\phi}(j_0, mn) \phi_{j_0, m, n}(x, y) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{MN}} \sum_{i=H, V, D} \sum_{j=j_0}^{\infty} \sum_m \sum_n W_{\phi}^i(j, m, n) \phi_{j, m, n}^i(x, y) \dots (5)$$

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

[1] Hyperspectral images are composed of hundreds of narrow and contiguous bands of data covering a large spectrum of reflected light. Conventional cameras are designed to record data in coarse of red, green and blue, while Hyperspectral images record much finer wavelengths and with a range far into the ultraviolet and infrared. These images are gathered by satellite. The proposed algorithm, based on Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) and Walsh Hadamard Transform (WHT), exploits both the spectral and spatial information in the images and reduce time for processing. Apply DWT to the Hyperspectral images which split into sub-band images, then Walsh Hadamard Transform on each block of the low-frequency sub-band and it split all DC values from each transformed block. The goal is used to achieve best compression ratio and bit per pixel per band and compare the result with the well-known compression method.

[2]Steganography is covert communication, which means to hide the very existence of a message from a third party. Due to growing need for security of data, image steganography is gaining popularity. The traditional image steganography algorithm is Least Significant Bit embedding, but it can be easily detected by the attackers as it embeds data sequentially in all pixels. Instead of sequentially embedding data, data can be embedded in random pixels, but it causes speckles in the image. A better approach is to hide the data in the regions like edges. An attacker has less suspicion of the presence of data bits in edges, because pixels in edges appear to be either much brighter or dimmer than their neighbors. So we present a novel technique to hide data in the edges of the image by extending the Least Significant Bit embedding algorithm. This algorithm hides data in the edge pixels and thus ensures better security against attackers.

[3] Signal and Image processing is a field which has been revolutionized by the application of computer and imaging technology. It has become very difficult to manage uncompressed multimedia (graphics, audio and video) data because it requires considerable storage capacity and transmission bandwidth. To solve this issue several techniques have been developed. This paper gives an idea about popular image compression algorithms based on Wavelet, JPEG/DCT, VQ, and Fractal approaches. We review and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of these algorithms for compressing grayscale images. Among all available techniques wavelet transforms have been found very useful.

[4]It is used specially for the compression of images where tolerable degradation is required. With the wide use of computers and consequently need for large scale storage and transmission of data, efficient ways of storing of data have become necessary. With the growth of technology and entrance into the Digital Age, the world has found itself amid a vast amount of information. Dealing with such enormous information can often present difficulties. Image compression is minimizing the size in bytes of a graphics file without degrading the quality of the image to an unacceptable level. The reduction in file size allows more images to be stored in a given amount of disk or memory space.

It also reduces the time required for images to be sent over the Internet or downloaded from Web pages. JPEG and JPEG 2000 are two important techniques used for image compression.

JPEG image compression standard use DCT (DISCRETE COSINE TRANSFORM). The discrete cosine transform is a fast transform. It is a widely used and robust method for image compression. It has excellent compaction for highly correlated data. DCT has fixed basis images DCT gives good compromise between information packing ability and computational complexity.

JPEG 2000 image compression standard makes use of DWT (DISCRETE WAVELET TRANSFORM). DWT can be used to reduce the image size without losing much of the resolutions computed and values less than a pre-specified threshold are discarded. Thus it reduces the amount of memory required to represent given image.

[5] Covert channel is malicious communication in secured network.

Due to absence of inbuilt security mechanism, covert channel is threat in legitimate communication. Covert channel means a channel with 'secret communication technique' employed by two or more parties permitted to interchange information. In this channel, it is assumed that the data channel in use is under surveillance.

The content of the genuine low security message is modified, so that the eavesdropper cannot read it from the secret channel. There are two types of Covert Channel; Storage Covert Channel and Timing Covert Channel. Storage covert channel uses header fields of packets like reserved bits of header, timestamp, initial sequence number, packet length etc.

for sending data whereas timing covert channel is based on timing of event.

In this paper we are storing secret data by using cryptography algorithm and Steganography in TCP Initial sequence number field because this field is of maximum capacity for storage based covert channel. Existence of hidden information in TCP initial sequence numbers field (ISN) is one of the most difficult covert channels to be detected. The proposed algorithm is simple but hard to crack unless one is not familiar with its inner working.

### III. SYSTEM ANALYSIS PROPOSED ARCHITECTURE

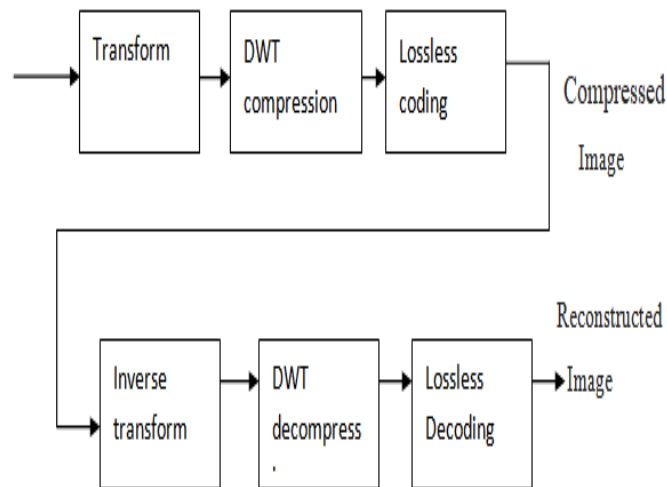


Fig. Architecture of DWT

Wavelets are signals which are neighborhood in time and scale and by and large have an unpredictable shape. A wavelet is a waveform of adequately constrained length that has a normal estimation of zero. The term 'wavelet' originates from the way that they coordinate to zero; they wave all over the hub. Numerous wavelets additionally show a property perfect for conservative flag portrayal: orthogonally. This property guarantees that information isn't over spoken to. A flag can be disintegrated into many moved and scaled portrayals of the first mother wavelet.

### IV. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Internet is an open access and easily available, there are several security problems related to processing and transfer of digital images. Hence to restrict illegal usage of data it becomes very significant to make transmission of images secure by using advanced and robust encryption techniques for mobile communication.

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