

# Digital Video Watermarking for Educational Video Broadcasting and Monitoring Application

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# ABSTRACT

The Proposed work for digital video watermarking is mainly belonging to distance or vocational education industries for the copyright protection of their recorded and broadcasted lecture series from any illegal commercial use. It provides two level security to recorded & broadcasted educational videos. One level of security is provided by visible serial key and other is provided by embedding invisible watermark logo. Invisible watermark is embedded within the frame at which scene change is detected using Modified LSB method. Invisible watermark is used when visible watermark is removed from frames. Experimental results show that execution time require for embedding the watermark is very less which enables it to implement in real time and robust against various video and image processing attacks, noise attacks.

#### **Keywords**

Video Broadcasting, DWT, LSB, PSNR, SF, Perceptibility

# 1. INTRODUCTION

With millions of Web sites flooding over the Internet, it becomes easy for online pirates to copy-paste and to modify the information, images, video and audio. The central goal for technical researchers in Digital Watermarking application is to address the copyright infringement issue by developing the algorithm which provides evidence against any illegal attempt to modify the original content and also monitors and tracks how the original content is used over the internet [1]-[6]. Educational industries which provides the Vocational/ Distance education needs to record and deliver the subject lectures in order to provide the education at student's door step. This cost a huge as it needs to hire qualified teacher for delivering lectures as well as good set up of recording studios is also mandatory. Recorded lectures can be delivered to student by uploading it over internet or by broadcasting it on any educational channel or by distributing the DVD of recorded lectures. As such video can be easily modified, distributed and used by any individual for their commercial use, some means of protection over video modification is required [7]. Film industries also need such protection over video piracy problem. Invisible video

Watermarking is one of the best solutions to overcome such problems. For authentication purpose, watermark (company's identity) is embedded invisibly within the original video which works as an evidence for any illegal attempt to manipulate the recoded video.

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Figure 1: Digital Video Watermarking for Broadcasting and Monitoring Application [2]

Figure 1 shows the real time scenario of video watermarking for broadcasting and monitoring application. As shown, before production, watermark is embedded into video which is being broadcasted. At the receiver side, watermark is changed by hackers which indicated manipulation of video. Such pirated videos are detected by video broadcasting and monitoring application. Digital Video Watermarking can be classified by various types. According to perceptivity, it can be visible or invisible. Visible watermarking is mostly used to declare the identity of owner. It is widely used in video editors which are freely available over the internet for video editing. After editing any video/audio/image, software creates the visible watermark. Invisible watermarking is mainly used for authentication purpose.

Spatial Domain Techniques directly deals with pixel values to embed the watermark. Frequency domain technique deals with the transform coefficients to embed the watermark [8]-[12]. Widely used spatial domain technique is Least Significant Bit method (LSB) in which LSBs of original image gets replaced with MSB (Most Significant Bit) of watermark logo image [13]-[18]. Though it is easy to implement, it is not robust against various attacks. The algorithm embeds 8 bit-plane gray scale image into different scene of a video sequence by selecting some of the luminous value in video pictures. Scene change detection based watermarking method avoids the process of embedding watermark on each frame of video. Frequency Domain Technique includes various transforms like DCT (Discrete Cosine Transform), DWT (Discrete Wavelet Transform), DFT (Discrete Fourier Transform).Extensive research has been carried out for multidirectional transforms like Wavelet, Contourlet, Ridgelet.

For the proposed method (i) original video can be of any size i.e. not mandatory be squared video (ii) RGB watermark logo



can be used (iii) Watermark detection algorithm doesn't require original video (vi) Execution time required for watermark embedding is less as compared to other method Which enables it to use in real time. The reminder of this paper includes proposed method, experimental results followed by conclusion and future scope.

# 2. PROPOSED WATERMARKING TECHNIQUE

Every video contains number of continuous identical video frames which is known as video shot. Number of identical frames are larger for slow motion videos (recorded video lecture series which includes rarely two or three different scene) as compared to fast motion entertainment video. To avoid the process on each video frame, one frame is selected per video shot to embed the watermark. Scene change detection based on statistical parameter MSE (Mean square error) is used to identify the frame at which sudden change is detected.

# 2.1.Generalized Model for Video Watermarking Algorithm

Figure 2 describes overall video watermarking process. It consist of four major steps. Visible watermark insertion, Invisible watermark embedding, Attacks and watermark detection. Video frame extraction algorithm process on original video and extract all frames of video. Scene change detection algorithm selects the frame for watermark embedding from each video shot. Watermark Embedding Algorithm embeds the watermark on selected frame. Watermark extraction algorithm detects the embedded watermark.



Figure 2 : Generalized model for Video Watermarking Process

#### 2.1.1. Visible Watermark Insertion

After extracting frames of video, select bunch of few frames to insert visible watermark. The visible watermark is unique 8

digit serial key. As it is inserted for few frames, it is not visible in whole video and difficult to detect by normal video viewer but it helps to detect any modification done on video. Hence, Visible Serial key provides first level authentication to video. If some attacks are performed and this serial key is removed, second level authentication is provided to video using Invisible watermark embedding.

# 2.1.2. Invisible Watermark Embedding Algorithm

Invisible video watermarking can be describe in two parts, Scene change detection and Watermark embedding algorithm.

### 1. Scene Change Detection Algorithm

Every video contains bundles of identical frames which is known as video shot. Every video has number of such video shots. In Educational recorded videos are slow motion videos having very few scene changes. So, Video shots extracted for educational lecture videos are less as compared to other type of videos. This can be taken as advantage to avoid the process on each and every frame of video.

As shown in Figure 3, Scene change detection algorithm detects first frame of every video shot to embed the watermark. To detect the frame, each frame is converted into grayscale and difference between two consecutive frames is obtained. If it is greater than some threshold value, it indicates the scene change and current frame is selected to embed the watermark.



Figure 3: Scene Change Detection Algorithm



#### 2. Watermark Embedding Algorithm



**Figure 4: Watermark Embedding Algorithm** Figure 4 describes watermark embedding algorithm in detail. Selected RGB frame is converted into 1D pixel string. Then LSB of all pixels are masked. Same procedure is repeated for RGB watermark logo. Using randomly generated visible serial key, pixel of watermark logo is embedded into LSB of each pixels of original frame. Pixel string is converted back into 2D watermarked frame.



Figure 5: Video Watermark Extraction Algorithm

Watermarked Video is extracted into number of video shot and particular watermarked frame is selected same as watermark embedding. As shown in Figure 5, Selected 2D frame is converted into 1D pixel string. Using Serial Key same unique PN sequence will be generated which was created for embedding the watermark. Using that PN sequence, watermark size & watermark logo bits will be extracted from LSB of each pixels of string.1D string of zeroes of watermark size is generated and extracted watermark bits will be set using that PN sequence. At last, 1D string of watermark pixels is reconstructed into 2D image. Extracted image is Watermark logo which was embedded. The embedded watermark can only be extract with correct input password. If it is incorrect, watermark cannot be extract which indicates the improvement in robustness of proposed method as compared to existing LSB algorithm.

# 3. IMPLEMENTATION RESULTS AND PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

#### 3.1.Test Video



Figure 6: Test Video

Figure 6 shows test videos which are used for implementation and analysis. They are lecture series recorded & broadcasted by BISAG on channel called SANDHAN. They all are available on YouTube for public use. SANDHAN (All Gujarat Integrated Classroom) provides Distance Education in collaboration with BISAG.

# **3.2.Visible Watermark Insertion**

Visible watermark used in this algorithm is Serial Key (Text Watermark). It is 8 digit random number generated using 'rand' function of MATLAB. To the selected bunch of frames, serial key is inserted to bottom left. Figure 7 shows various videos with visible watermark insertion.



Figure 7. Visible Watermark (Serial Key) Insertion to video



### 3.3.Invisible Watermark Embedding

Figure 8 shows the result of Watermark Embedding. As shown, first level security is provided by user input password. Frames to be embed the watermark are detected and Watermark is embedded.



Figure 8. Result for Invisible Watermark Embedding

# 4. PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

To verify the effectiveness (quality and robustness) of proposed video watermarking technique, several attacks are performed on test videos. Attacks are performed using VSDC Video Editor. Some attacks clearly shows the modification in video as visible serial key shows degradation in it but for some attacks, visible watermark is not detectable or removed. In those cases, modification can be justified by extracting invisible logo.

#### 4.1.Perceptibility

Perceptibility measures amount of degradation caused by watermark embedding. Mean Square Error and Peak-Signal-to Noise ratio (PSNR) are used to measure the perceptibility. Less value of MSE and Large value of PSNR indicated low distortion and hence less perceptibility. Thus, Perceptibility should be less. Table. 3 Shows the properties of the videos that are used for experiments.

Table 3. PSNR and MSE of the Watermarked Video

Video	Resolu- tion	No. of Fra- mes	No. of Scene Change Detected	Execu -tion Time (Sec)	MSE	PSNR (dB)
BISAG 1	320x240	941	2	52	0.4246	51.85
BISAG 2	320x240	1725	3	123	0.3541	52.64
BISAG 3	320x240	3250	3	173	0.4396	51.70
BISAG 4	320x240	5200	10	244	0.3532	52.65
BISAG 5	720x480	941	2	156	2.6920	43.83
BISAG 6	720x480	1725	3	322	1.4590	46.49
BISAG 7	720x480	3250	3	637	0.7764	49.23
BISAG 8	720x480	5200	10	976	2,4382	44.26
BISAG 9	1280x 720	1127	2	494	6.4875	40.01
BISAG 10	1280x 720	2067	2	872	5.7687	40.52

# **4.2.Time Consumption**

It describes the execution time required for watermark embedding. Time is measured by MATLAB 2013a function tic and toc. Below table shows the comparison of execution time required by various other techniques with new approach. The table indicates that watermark embedding time depends both on resolution and number of frames selected to embed the watermark. With the increase in resolution, even for same number of frames required execution times also increases. Table 4 illustrates execution time required by proposed algorithm as compared to other method.

Video Frame	DWT		LSB		Proposed Method	
	Time (Sec)	PSNR (dB)	Time (Sec)	PSNR (dB)	Time (Sec)	PSNR (dB)
BISAG 1	5.42	41.44	1.85	42.11	0.68	51.85
BISAG 2	3.59	40.11	1.79	39.92	0.26	52.64
BISAG 3	2.38	40.45	2.16	35.13	0.33	51.70
BISAG 4	2.42	44.67	1.82	41.89	0.29	52.65
BISAG 5	2.45	42.67	2.66	36.90	0.28	43.83
BISAG 6	3.11	41.90	2.92	39.23	0.31	46.49
BISAG 7	2.5	44.67	3.06	41.45	0.32	49.23
BISAG 8	2.64	42.56	2.89	33,17	0.35	44.26
BISAG 9	3.67	39.67	5.58	42.19	0.36	40.01
BISAG 10	3.24	41.90	4.50	40.12	0.37	40.52

 
 Table 4. Comparison of Proposed Method with others based on PSNR & Execution time

# 4.3. Video Specific Attacks

#### 4.3.1. Frame Dropping

As every video exhibits inherent redundancy (Identical video frames), Frame dropping is considered as effective watermark attack which leads little or no damage to video. Video Editors usually cut the portion of some video known as video cutting. This leads to number of frame dropping. In proposed algorithm, if the frames having visible watermark is dropped, invisible watermark is extracted to prove the modification to video. BISAG 8(3m 48sec) video having 720 x 480 resolution, total 5200 frames and 10 detected frame by Scene change detection for invisible watermark is used. Invisible watermark logo is inserted into 10 frames where scene change is detected. Table 5 illustrates results of watermark extraction after performing Frame dropping.

Table 5. Results of watermark detection after	Frame
dropping attack	

ur opping attack					
Frame dropping	Video Cut(sec)	Total no. of frames Dropped	Visible watermark (Detected ?)	No. of Invisible Watermark Detected	
10%	21	520	Yes	-	
20%	41	1040	Yes	-	
30%	62	1560	No	8	
40%	83	2080	No	6	
50%	104	2600	No	5	
60%	125	3120	No	3	
70%	146	3640	No	2	
80%	166	4160	No	2	



#### 4.3.2. Frame Insertion

Same as Frame dropping, Frame adding add some frames to watermarked video. It also means that some portion of video is edited with other video or two videos are merged. Result is same as frame dropping in which till some frame insertion, visible watermark can be detect but after 40% insertion of video frames, invisible watermark is extracted.

#### 4.3.3. Frame Averaging

Frame Averaging is another significant video watermarking attack. Average of multiple frames can remove the visible watermark easily. Frame Averaging is the average of the current and its two nearest neighbor frame. Frame Averaging is defined as :



#### **Figure 9. Result of Frame Averaging Attack** 4.3.4. Image Processing Attacks

Some Image processing attacks are also performed to measure the effectiveness of proposed method. For some attacks, visible watermark (serial key )is identifiable and shows modification done on any video but for some attacks, serial key is removed and hence, modification done onto video is proved by invisible watermark logo extraction.

Table 6. Visible watermark after applying various image processing attacks



Table 6 shows the identifiable visible watermark after some modification done on video. For some attacks, serial key is removed from video and hence invisible watermark logo extraction is required. Table shows results for such attacks and similarity factor between extracted and reference watermark.

Next, Table 7 describes the similarity between reference and extracted watermark after applying various attacks. As the visible watermark is removed by attacks, invisible watermark is needed to extract. Goof value of SF indicates that extracted watermark is still identifiable after applying attacks.



Table 7. Extracted Invisible watermark logo after
applying attacks

Attack	Visible watermark	Invisible Watermark		
		Extracted Waterma rk	SF	
Min Filtering	ADDITION A	<u>,</u>	0.619	
	Not Detectable			
Median Filtering	torintena 🍐	5.10	0.758	
	Not Detectable			
Blurring	STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF THE MODEL 2015736	svit	0.719	
	Hardly Detectable			

# 5. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

The Proposed Algorithm is useful for the copyright protection of publicly available Educational Videos. Educational lecture series recorded & broadcasted by various organizations (eg. IITs/ BISAG) requires some means of protection from any illegal attempt to change their identity. Experimental results shows that time required to embedding the watermark is very less as compared to other methods which makes it suitable for watermarking both live as well as recorded videos. High value of PSNR after embedding the watermark also indicates no degradation to the quality of watermarked video. Proposed Algorithm provides two level authentication mechanism on original recorded video. If videos are modified, visible serial key shows degradation in its visibility which proves the illegal attempt to modify the original video. Experimental results shows the robustness of proposed method against various video specific attack, Image processing attacks and Noise attacks but it is not very robust against Geometrical attacks.. If by some method, visible key is removed, invisible watermark logo is used to identify any modification into original video. Modified LSB method embeds the invisible watermark logo using random pattern generated serial key. Proposed algorithm is not robust against Geometrical attacks. In future, the proposed algorithm should be implemented on any open source platform like opency, scilab, python so that it can be easily implement without the need of any license enabled software like MATLAB. Also, speed of algorithm can be optimized using Parallel Processing.

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