Design of Steganographic Applications in A Processed Image using Algorithm Dynamic Markov Compression

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Abstract—Confidential text data is an important matter that needs to be protected and kept confidential. Secret text data is a treasure where many people who want to try to find out first find out its contents. Therefore it is not uncommon for crimes to appear intentionally committed by irresponsible people. With the increasing number of people who commit crimes who deliberately steal confidential data and damage confidential text data so that it can harm certain parties. There have been several attempts to deal with the issue of security of confidential data sent over the internet, including using cryptographic and steganographic techniques.

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1. INTRODUCTION

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Steganography is one of the techniques used in securing information, namely by hiding information into digital media with certain methods. So that no visual difference between the original file and the file that has been inserted information (stegoimage). So it is not known by people who can solve stegoimage without knowing the existing key. Digital data that can be a place or media data that will be hidden in steganography are images / images, audio and video [2].

2. THEORY

2.1 Steganography

Steganography (Steganography) is the science and art of hiding secret messages in other messages so that the existence of the secret message cannot be known. Steganography comes from the Greek language that is steganos which means hidden writing. Steganography is very contrast with cryptography. If cryptography conceals the meaning of the message while the existence of the message persists, then steganography covers the existence of the message. Steganography can be seen as a continuation of cryptography in practice secret messages are first encrypted, then ciphertext is hidden in other media so that third parties are not aware of its existence. The hidden message can be extracted back exactly the same as the original.

2.2 Compression

The compression process is the process of reducing the size of a data to produce a digital representation that is dense or incompressible but still can be represented by the quantity of information contained in the data. In imagery, video and audio, compression leads to minimization of the number of bit rates for digital representation. In some literature, the term compression is often also called source coding, data compression, bandwidth compression and signal compression.

2.3 Huffman Algorithm

Huffman algorithm is an image compression algorithm that uses a statistical approach. The sequence of steps to encode this algorithm is as follows.

1. Sort greyvalue values based on frequency of occurrence.
2. Combine the two trees that have the smallest occurrence frequency and re-order.
3. Repeat step 2 until there is one binary tree remaining.
4. Label the binary tree with the left side of the tree labeled 0 and the right side of the tree labeled 1.
5. Trace the binary tree from the roots of the leaves. Barisa the side labels of the root of to the leaves are the huffman code.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The system analysis phase is the decomposition of a whole information system into its component parts with the aim of identifying and evaluating problems, opportunities, constraints and expected needs so that improvements can be proposed.

3.1 Embedded Process / Message Insertion

The workings of the Last Significant Bit (LSB) method in steganography are as follows:
1. Convert the image to be inserted into binary form
2. Convert the value of the degree of gray image level into binary numbers in the form of a matrix.
3. Take the bits of each byte of the image to be inserted into the binary blocks of the image as the container.
4. The inserted image bits will be placed at the end of the binary image by replacing the binary of the image in accordance with the bits of the inserted image
5. The image that has been inserted is called a stego image

The embedded message stage is the stage of inserting a message into a media container with the aim of hiding the message so that it is not seen or known by others who are not entitled to know it.

3.2 Message Extraction / Disclosure Process

Then, after inserting with the Last Significant Bit (LSB) method, the extraction / disclosure of the stego image will be performed to retrieve the image / message that has been inserted. The workings of the Last Significant Bit method in the process of disclosing the message are as follows.
1. Convert the stego image value to binary numbers in the form of a matrix.
2. Then match each stego image block with the inserted binary image
3. If appropriate, the image that has been inserted will be retrieved and can be proven.

3.3 Application of Dynamic Markov

Here's how the encoding and decoding of the Dynamic Markov compression algorithm works with the characters from the existing image matrix as follows:

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
63 & 97 & 87 \\
112 & 127 & 101 \\
55 & 85 & 87 \\
70 & 63 & 43 \\
125 & 69 & 14 \\
\end{array}
\]

Figure 1. Image Matrix 3x5

| No | Karakter | Dictionary | Kode bit |
|----|----------|------------|----------|
| 1  | 63       | Ø 63       | 111111   |
| 2  | 97       | Ø 97       | 1000011  |
| 3  | 87       | Ø 87       | 1110101  |
| 4  | 112      | Ø 112      | 0000111  |
| 5  | 127      | Ø 127      | 1111111  |
| 6  | 101      | Ø 101      | 1010011  |
| 7  | 55       | Ø55        | 111011   |
| 8  | 85       | Ø85        | 1010101  |
| 9  | 8770     | 39         | 11,0001001 |

Table 1. Calculation of compression results
Based on the binary code of each character, all files can be changed to: 111111 1000011 1110101 0000111
111111 1010011 1110111 1010101 11 0001001 1 110101 1011111 1100011 0111. Because the numbers 0 and 1 represent 1 bits, so the data bits above consist of 30 bits in other words the image size after compression using Dynamic Markov is 89 bits.

3.4 Application of the Least Significant Bit (LSB) Method

Suppose the message you want to insert is a 2 x 2 image = 4 pixels.

![Figure 2. Picture Becomes a Message](image)

The binary value of the image to be inserted into the image is as follows:

193 = 11000001
194 = 11000010
195 = 11000011
195 = 11000011

The binary value above will be inserted into the image which will later be converted into a binary value. For example. Taken color images as the insertion media secret message, as follows.

![Figure 3. Image Pixel Value](image)

| Before Inserted | After Inserted |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 27 00011011     | inserted 1    |
| 27 00011011     | 00011011       |
| 25 00011001     | inserted 0    |
| 25 00011001     | 00011000       |
| 25 00011001     | inserted 0    |
| 25 00011001     | 00011000       |

3.5 Embedded / Message Insertion

For the first steganographic process is the first pixel value of "193" whose binary value is "11000001". The last digit of the image bit will be replaced by the first bit value of the secret message bit.

| Before Inserted | After Inserted |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 27 00011011     | inserted 1    |
| 27 00011011     | 00011011       |
| 25 00011001     | inserted 0    |
| 25 00011001     | 00011000       |
| 25 00011001     | inserted 0    |
| 25 00011001     | 00011000       |
Furthermore, the steganography process of the second pixel value is "194" whose binary value is "11000010". The last digit of the image bit will be replaced by the first bit value of the secret message bit.

### Table 4. Before and After Inserted

| Before Inserted | After Inserted | Status   |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| 25   00011001  | inserted 1 00011001 | Unchanged |
| 24   00011000  | inserted 1 00011000 | 25       |
| 26   00011010  | inserted 0 00011010 | Unchanged |
| 25   00011001  | inserted 0 00011000 | 24       |
| 26   00011010  | inserted 0 00011010 | Unchanged |
| 25   00011001  | inserted 0 00011000 | 24       |
| 24   00011000  | inserted 1 00011001 | 25       |
| 26   00011010  | inserted 0 00011010 | Unchanged |

Furthermore, the steganography process of the third pixel value is "195" whose binary value is "11000011". The last digit of the image bit will be replaced by the first bit value of the secret message bit.

### Table 5. Before and After Inserted

| Before Inserted | After Inserted | Status   |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| 25   00011001  | inserted 1 00011001 | Unchanged |
| 26   00011100  | inserted 1 00011100 | 29       |
| 24   00011000  | inserted 0 00011000 | Unchanged |
| 24   00011000  | inserted 0 00011000 | Unchanged |
| 25   00011001  | inserted 0 00011000 | 24       |
| 24   00011000  | inserted 0 00011000 | 24       |
| 22   00010111  | inserted 1 00010111 | Unchanged |
| 22   00010110  | inserted 1 00010110 | 23       |

Furthermore, the steganography process of the fourth pixel value is "195" whose binary value is "11000011". The last digit of the image bit will be replaced by the first bit value of the secret message bit.

### Table 6. Before and After Inserted

| Before Inserted | After Inserted | Status   |
|-----------------|----------------|----------|
| 23   00010111  | inserted 1 00010111 | Unchanged |
| 23   00010111  | inserted 1 00010111 | Unchanged |
| 23   00010111  | inserted 0 00010110 | 22       |
| 22   00010110  | inserted 0 00010110 | Unchanged |
| 21   00010100  | inserted 0 00010100 | Unchanged |
| 22   00010110  | inserted 0 00010110 | Unchanged |
| 22   00010110  | inserted 1 00010111 | 23       |
| 22   00010110  | inserted 1 00010111 | 23       |

The results of the pixel values after steganography process are as follows:

### Table 7. Steganographic Processes

|   | 27 | 28 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 29 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 27 |    |    | 27 |    |    |    |    |    |    | 24 |
| 28 |    | 26 |    |    | 25 |    |    |    |    | 24 |
| 26 |    |    | 26 |    |    |    |    |    |    | 25 |
| 25 |    |    |    | 29 |    | 24 |    |    |    | 24 |
| 24 |    |    |    |    | 23 |    | 23 |    |    | 23 |
| 22 |    | 23 |    | 21 |    | 22 |    |    |    | 22 |
| 23 |    |    | 21 |    | 20 |    | 20 |    |    |    |

### 3.6 Stego Image Extraction / Disclosure

After doing the embedded process, it is necessary to disclose the secret message so that it can be read by the recipient or user of the message, as follows:

00011011 27
00011011 27
It is clear from the last number in the binary block that the inserted message is 11000001, if it is converted to decimal number 193, the first pixel value of the image. Then for the disclosure of the second pixel is

0001110\_ 25
0001100\_ 25
0001101\_ 26
0001100\_ 24
0001110\_ 26
0001100\_ 24
0001101\_ 26
0001100\_ 24
0001101\_ 25
0001100\_ 26

The visible binary is 11000010. If converted to decimal number 194, the second pixel value. Then for the disclosure of the third pixel is

0001100\_ 25
0001110\_ 29
0001100\_ 24
0001100\_ 24
0001100\_ 24
0001111\_ 24
0001111\_ 23
0001100\_ 23
0001100\_ 24
0001011\_ 24
0001011\_ 23
0001100\_ 23

The visible binary is 11000110. If you change it to decimal number 195, it's the third pixel value. Then for the disclosure of the fourth pixel is

0001011\_ 23
0001011\_ 23
0001011\_ 22
0001011\_ 22
0001010\_ 21
0001011\_ 22
0001011\_ 23
0001011\_ 23
0001010\_ 23
0001011\_ 23
0001011\_ 23

The visible binary is 11000010. If converted to decimal number 195, the fourth pixel value.

4. IMPLEMENTATION

Implementation is a step that is used to operate the application that is designed. In this case, it is explained how to run the application. The application processing program is a processing unit consisting of procedures and data implementation. Software is a system that is used for processing data or certain applications. Software used can be categorized, namely:

1. The operating system is to control all activities on the computer using the Windows 7 Ultimate operating system
2. Computers running the program are required to install Visual Basic 2008 and the like.

In the main view there are several menus, namely, the process menu, the about menu and the exit menu and in the process menu there are insert and compression menus, compression and extract menus.

![Figure 4. Main course](image-url)
Information:
  a. The file menu contains the grayscale menu and exits
  b. The lsb menu contains a menu insert message and extract message.
  c. The huffman menu contains an image compression and image decompression menu.
  d. The help menu contains the about me menu

This display will display the process from color image to grayscale image

![Grayscale Image](image.png)

**Figure 5. Grayscale**

Information:
  a. Open image file button to display color images.
  b. Grayscale button to display grayscale images.
  c. Save button to save the image.
  d. Exit button to exit the display.

This display will display the process of inserting messages into a grayscale image.

![Insert Message Image](image.png)

**Figure 6. Insert message**

Information:
  a. Open image file button to open grayscale image.
  b. Insert and save button to save the ordered grayscale image.
  c. Exit button to exit the display.

In this view the process of decompressing the image will be displayed. As shown in the following image.

![Caption Image](image.png)

**Figure 7. Caption**

Information:
  a. Image file open button to display image captions
  b. View button to see image size.
  c. Decompress button to see the decompress process.
  d. Exit button to exit the display.
5. CONCLUSION

Based on the description and discussion that the author has done, some conclusions can be drawn relating to the software that has been designed, namely:

1. The process of the lsb method, converts the text to be hidden into binary form, then takes the bits from each byte of text to be hidden into binary blocks of the image. The hidden bits of text will be placed at the end of the binary image by replacing the binary of the image according to the bits of the inserted text.

2. Process of the Dynamic Marcov Compression Algorithm, calculates the number of types of characters and the number contained in a file, then arranges each character type in the least order to the most number, then makes a binary tree based on the character sequence from the smallest to the largest number, and member code for each character. Replacing existing data with bit codes based on binary trees and storing the number of bits for the largest bit code, the type of character ordered from the largest to the smallest exit frequency along with data that has been turned into bit codes as data compression results.

3. The design is done using the use case design tool for hiding messages in the image, and activity diagrams describe the processes running on the system, then designed using Microsoft Visual Basic 2008 with the main menu form, form insert and compression, form decompression and extract.

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