

# The Compression of Fingerprints Using Sparse Representation

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## ABSTRACT

Legal matters, such as the investigation of a crime, rely heavily on fingerprint analysis. A fingerprint image, on the other hand, contains a staggering quantity of information. Because of this, we must limit the amount of data it contains. We'll need a powerful image compression method to do this. There are a plethora of methods for compressing images. [1] Images of finger prints are not always perfect quality. It's possible that skin and impression situations will damage or corrupt them. Thus, image enhancements prior to the extraction of minutiae, [5] various procedures are used to ensure a more accurate estimation of their placements. In this article, we'll look at a few different ways to compress fingerprints. This section concludes with an approach for compressing fingerprints. Sparsely populated. Our next step is to build a database of preconfigured fingerprint image patches. [3] Divide a fingerprint into small chunks called patches for a specific fingerprint. In order to obtain the, utilise the sparse representation approach the next step is to quantize the coefficients, and the final step is to encode them. Fingerprint images from three groups are tested in this experiment. The results of the tests show that our approach outperforms the competition in terms of compression efficiency. [7] The primary the minutiae is a feature that is used to compare two fingerprint images. As a result, the pre/post difference in minutiae There is some thought given to compression.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Over the past century, fingerprints have been the most often utilised biometric identification method. These biometric systems include consumer and business identifying devices, [4] as well as forensic science to support criminal investigations. When it comes to criminals and transit passengers, fingerprint identification technologies have been regularly utilised since the late 19th century. The fingerprint file properties were standardised by the ISO in 2004. It's becoming increasingly difficult to keep up with the influx of users that are being added to the repositories on a daily basis. Both memory storage and identification time can be reduced by using precise and delicate fingerprint compression technologies. [2] The compression technique is regarded among the most successful options among a number of other approaches.

Compression techniques enable the database to hold more reference fingerprints and also help to extract the effective features for boosting the accuracy of fingerprint identification compression techniques. In light of the fact that fingerprint photos are routinely exchanged between law enforcement organisations over the internet, efficient compression of the data is also desirable and important. There are a variety of methods for compressing images. [8] Wavelet Scalar Quantization (WSQ) and JPEG 2000 are two of the more popular picture compression algorithms. For general image compression, JPEG and JPEG 2000 are the best options. The fingerprint compression algorithm most widely employed is WSQ [9]. Several wavelet packet-based fingerprint compression algorithms have been created as a result of the WSQ algorithm. There are more fingerprint compression techniques besides WSQ, such as Contour Let Transform. The quality of the fingerprint images is rarely flawless. Due to a variety of circumstances, including skin and impression conditions, they may be deteriorated and corrupted by noise. It's possible that, as a result of this decline, an excessive amount of false minutiae will be generated while the real thing is neglected. The ability to consistently extract fingerprint minutiae from photos is essential for conducting statistical analyses on the data they contain. Before extracting the locations of minutiae, picture enhancing techniques must be used [6] so that a more accurate estimate may be made. Fingerprint image improvement and minutiae extraction are the key goals of this study. Then, using a matrix dictionary with columns referred to as "atoms," partition each fingerprint image into small blocks called "patches," each of which has a pixel count equal to the atoms' dimensions after performing image enhancement. Obtain the coefficients using the sparse representation approach,[9] then quantize the coefficient and encapsulate the coefficient and other relevant information utilizing lossless coding methods.

## II. RELATED WORK

### **Using dictionaries learned through sparse and redundant representations to denoise images**

Denoising an image involves removing Gaussian additive noise with zero-mean whiteness and homogeneity. Based on a sparse and redundant presentation of trained dictionaries, the strategy is taken The K-SVD technique [7] provides us with a lexicon that accurately characterises the image's information. There are two possibilities for training: either and used the corrupted image as-is, or training on a database of high-quality images. Because the K-SVD can only handle small feature patches, we define an international standing previous that promotes sparsity over patches all over the image. This allows us to use the [4] K-SVD on any size image. We demonstrate how a Bayesian approach to denoising leads to a straightforward and effective solution. This results in cutting-edge denoising performance that is on par with or even better than that of newly published leading alternative approaches for denoising,

### **To detect objects, we need to learn a sparse representation**

In this paper, we provide a sparse, part-based description of things as a means of teaching a computer to recognise objects in still grey photographs. [11] A series of photos of the object category of items is used to build a lexicon of information-rich object pieces. This vocabulary and the spatial relationships that may be noticed between the words is then used to depict the images. A feature-efficient learning technique is applied based on this representation in order to learn to recognize instances of the object type. [10] As long as the item has recognisable elements and a somewhat fixed spatial layout, the framework presented here can be used to anything. We've done some tests with photos of automobiles from the side. On a challenging set of real-world photos, our results indicate that the technique is highly accurate and robust to partial concealment as well as background fluctuation. [15] Object detection approaches need to be evaluated by the research community, and this necessitates addressing numerous methodological difficulties.

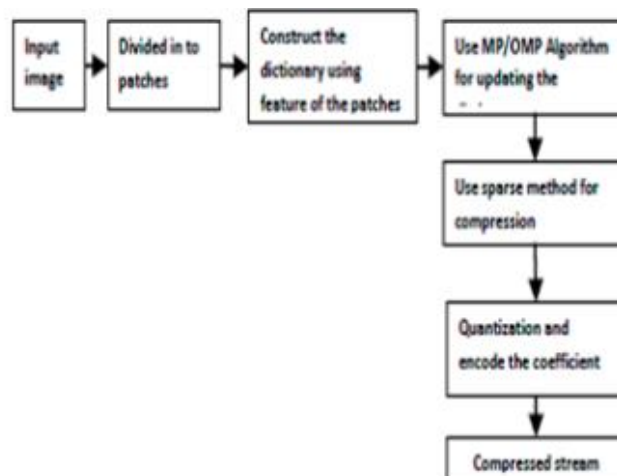
### **Super-resolution as a sparse representation of the original image patches**

SR (super-resolution) images can be generated from a single relatively low image in this research. We take a compressed sensing approach to this problem. Patches in the low-resolution image are presumed to have sparse representation in comparison to an overly comprehensive vocabulary of prototypical signal-atoms. To ensure that a sparse representation could be retrieved from a downsampled signal, compressive sensing is used. [14] Using sparsity as a precondition for regularising the otherwise unsatisfactory super-resolution problem will be demonstrated. To demonstrate this, we show that a sparse, high-resolution image may be created by using a small selection of randomly selected raw patched from training photos of a statistical character comparable to that of the input images.

## III. METHODOLOGY

The more advanced algorithms suffer from an usual shortcoming, namely that fingerprint images cannot be compressed well at this time due to the lack of learning power. So, this study presents an entirely new technique to distributed illustration that is backed by this paper. The lexicon will be altered by the proposed method. [10] Here's how it works in detail: Build an initial matrix with rows representing fingerprint picture options, referring to the matrix lexicon with rows denoted as "atoms." For a given fingerprint, divide it into small blocks denoted "patches," with a variety of pixels equal to the atoms' dimensions. Use decentralised illustration to get coefficients. [12] Quantize the coefficients. Finally, inscribe the coefficients. Finally, inscribe the coefficients.

To replicate the coaching patches, slice a substitute fingerprint into squares of the same size as the teaching patches. The compression power is directly influenced by the patch size. Because the rule's scope expands, it becomes more cost-effective.



**Fig1. Architectural diagram**

In addition, the mean of each patch must be calculated and subtracted from the patch in order to construct the patches that function better for the lexicon. [9] Cipher each patch's 10 drawback after that, and you'll be done with it! Zero is assigned to any variables whose absolute values fall below a predetermined threshold. Four types of information should be captured for each patch. Mean, number of atoms used, the parameters and their positions are all included.

When developing a vocabulary for the rising condition, use predominantly found pursuit rather than matching pursuit. Instead of utilising the MP algorithm, we might use the OMP algorithm (Orthogonal Matching Pursuit). The complexity of the method is reduced since atoms in the OMP dictionary can only be removed out of the process once. [9] Fingerprint images have a simpler structure than natural images. Only peaks and valleys make up their entire surface area. They all appear the same in the nearby areas.

### A. JPEG

The Interagency Working Group established the JPEG image compression standard. In 1992, it became an official international standard. Lossy image compression is the hallmark of JPEG. DCT is the encoding technique used in JPEG. Following are the major steps of the JPEG encoder: Subsample the resulting colour by converting RGB to YCbCr and then back to RGB. Use a DCT algorithm to process individual image blocks. [5] Make use of quantization. Run-length encoding and Zigzag sorting are required. Coding with entropy is a good idea. The simplicity, universality, and availability of the JPEG compression methodology make it an excellent choice. Block-based DCT is to blame for its poor performance at low bitrates. [6] As a result, the JPEG advisory board started work on JPEG 2000, a new image compression standard, in 1995.

### B. JPEG 2000

For present and future applications, the JPEG committee started investigating new still video compression standards in 1996. In JPEG 2000, instead of DCT, DWT is used. The present JPEG standard can only manage three colour channels, whereas JPEG 2000 can manage up to 256 information from different sources. [4] Satellite imagery regularly generates data in exorbitant amounts. EBCOT, developed by Taubman, is the primary compression technique used during JPEG 2000 and is the most widely used type of compression. With its great compression efficiency, [10] EBCOT creates a superb bit stream that has a number of desirable qualities, including the ability to scale quality and resolution and random access. To meet the needs of a wide range of users and applications, JPEG 2000 has been developed. This includes the Internet, colour facsimile printing and scanning and digital photography, as well as remote sensing and mobile apps.

### C. WSQ Fingerprint Compression

The algorithms listed above can be used to reduce the size of an image for various purposes. There are specific compression methods designed for fingerprint images. WSQ is the most widely used. It was adopted by the FBI as the standard for compressing fingerprint photographs at 500 dpi. Fingerprint images are decomposed into multiple sub bands, each representing a certain frequency band, in order to create the WSQ family of encoders. [3] A DWT of the input images is used to decompose the fingerprint into its several sub bands. Quantization is then applied to each sub band using the values in the quantization table. The data is compressed using a Huffman encoding process after the quantized coefficients have been passed through. The encoder has to know what the Huffman table parameters are.

#### IV. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

To run the project to get below result



To add an image, go to the previous result and click the 'Upload Image' tab.



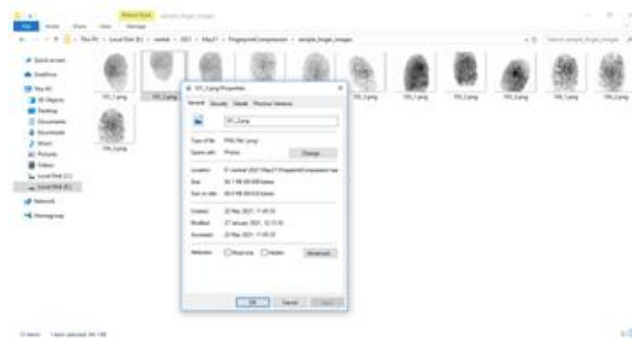
The following result can be obtained by first selecting and uploading the file 101 2.png and then clicking on the "Open" tab.



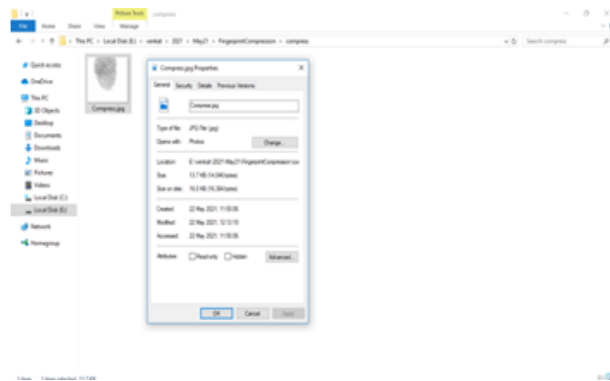
You'll see the results below if you click on the 'Compress Image using SVD' tab in the above result image.



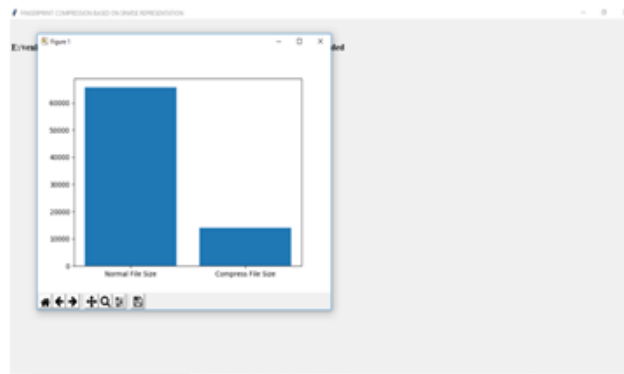
To see how much space each image occupies in bytes, look at each image's title bar. The original image is 65695 bytes in size, while the SVD compress version is 14046 bytes. The same size can be seen on the following image directory's thumbnails.



When you look at the compressed folder for 101 2.png, you'll notice that the size of the image is exactly the same as before compression.



After compression, the identical image is reduced in size to 13.7 KB on the above monitor. If you want to compare two photographs, you can do so by clicking on the 'Comparison Graph' tab.



After compression, we can clearly see that the size of the photos has been decreased, as depicted by the x-axis (method name) and y-axis (size).

## V. CONCLUSION

The performance of several compression approaches for compressing fingerprint images is examined and compared, especially at higher compression ratios. It's also provided a new compression algorithmic programme that makes use of sparse approximation. Fingerprint images are being evaluated in two groups. [1-7] Research shows that sparse algorithmic programmes are less expensive than competing compression approaches like JPEG, K-SVD, WSQ and JPEG 2000, especially at large compression magnitude ratios and can robustly hold the majority of information during compression and reconstruction. Due to the block-by-block process mechanism, [8] the algorithmic programme has more complexities. To reduce complexity, code optimization for various compression approaches must be enhanced.

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