A Delaunay Pentangle-Based Fingerprint Authentication System for Preserving Privacy Using Topology Code

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Abstract

This paper presents design and implementations of Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system for enhancing the security level of biometric template data and withstand local structural change in presence of nonlinear deformity. Feature vector extracted from the Delaunay pentangle is of fixed length and alignment free is less sensitive and more discriminative to nonlinear distortion. Moreover, it is being proposed to construct a unique topology code from each and every Delaunay pentangle for carry through accurate local registration. Benefits of topology code not only help to carry through accurate local registration and also it improves the security level of biometric template data. The proposed system has more attributes and also more discriminative abilities than existing Delaunay quadrangle based structures. Experimental results of three public database using Delaunay pentangle system with topology code can achieve better performance and higher security level than Delaunay quadrangle. The performance of proposed system guaranteed low FRR= 1.4%, FAR = 0% and EER = 0.74% than existing system.

Keywords: *Delaunay pentangle, Quantization operator, Pinsketch and Topology code.*

1. Introduction

1.1 Biometrics

Biometric is an automated methodology to uniquely identify human based on their physiological and behavioural characteristics. Many biometric characteristics have been proposed for authentication purpose. Consistently, biometric method can be designated into two types: behavioural-based method and physiological based method.

In behavioural based method perform task of authentication based on human behavioural Characteristics. The major issue with behavioural based method is not unique, they all have more variation, cannot cope with and difficult to measure because of influences such as stress or stain. The Implementation of behavioural based method less cost.

Physiological-based method perform authentication by means of his and her physiological characteristics. The advantages of the physiological based method are more stable and more invasiveness and rare hacking than behavioural based method.

1.2 Fingerprint

In the world of biometrics one of the most invasiveness and mature biometric recognition owning to the more Distinctiveness and stability that using fingerprint based authentication can provide better performance compare to other method. Fingerprint biometrics methods can be classified into two types textures and ridge feature based, method compare to texture based, ridge feature based method social acceptability more and more reliable. Fingerprint identification system represents fingerprints in terms of their feature points. The two popular eminent minutiae are termination and ridge bifurcation. Once the minutiae points are extracted from fingerprints and then Delaunay pentangle structures can be generated from feature points easily.

Table 1: Comparison between Delaunay pentangle and Delaunay quadrangle.

Parameter	Delaunay Pentangle	Delaunay Quadrangle
Attributes	It has more aspects (e.g., five edges and five angles).	Quadrangle has less aspects (e.g., four edges and angles) than Pentangle
Topology code	Five topology codes can be extracted from Delaunay pentangle for better local registration.	From Delaunay Quadrangle based structure, they extract only four topology code.
Security	Five topology codes can be extracted from proposed system. It increases the security level on higher.	Benefits of topology code for security enhancement. Here only four topology code

2. RELATED WORK

In [3] Amirani et al. combined both Delaunay triangulation and voronoi diagram to generate hybrid matching algorithm. In [3], [8] Delaunay triangle based structure has proved some excellent Characteristics. Firstly, it provides excellent structural stability under random positional disruptions [9] each minutia likely to maintain a similar structure with its neighbouring minutiae under translation, rotation and small scale change because of nonlinear distortion.

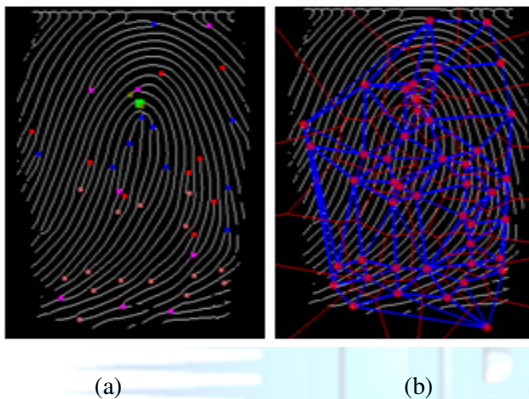(a)   (b)

Fig. 1 Examples of (a) set of features points, (b) Voronoi diagram (thin line) and Delaunay triangulation (bold line).

Secondly Delaunay triangulation is influenced locally by virtue of missing and spurious minutiae. which means that by reason of random positional perturbations, some part of Delaunay triangulation can still maintain structural stability[6].figure 1(a) shows a number of minutiae points and figure 1(b) gives the Delaunay triangulation net (bold line) and voronoi diagram (thin line) formed by minutiae (feature) points. To find the nonlinear deformation of fingerprints cappelli et al. [2] proposed elastic deformity of fingerprints. Firstly described three region of distinguishable in fingerprint images and used some distortion variable for describe the distortion mechanism.

The Delaunay quadrangle-based structure has some excellent characteristics [1]. Firstly, it has good Structural stability under nonlinear distortion. Provide guaranteed fixed length, alignment free feature, but it has only less attributes than pentangle and less security because topology code less than Delaunay pentangle.

2.1Template Protection Method

During image acquisition uncertainty of fingerprint caused by nonlinear distortion is one of issues in biometric system. Template protection is another necessary issue that needs more attenuation. Template are stored in database compare with query image for identify individual [11], [3]. Two major secure protection biometric techniques are cancellable and cryptosystem for biometric templates.

In cancellable biometrics [4] [5], original template features are transformed into new format by non invertible transformation function at the enrolment stage. In authentication moment also adoption the same non invertible to query features. In this case performed matching between template and query images rather than original images. Hence original template features are concealed and protected. The main demerits of cancellable biometrics only provide the matching/non-matching sign.

In [5] cancellable fingerprint template created by authors in the form of binary string for avoid the registration and computationally infeasible of fingerprint minutiae to recover original minutiae data

In biometric cryptosystem, for extract security key from biometric features either technically or directly. The pinsketch [10] is real biometric template features are encrypted by secure sketch provides the helper data. In this case the helper data encrypted by non-reversible process. To obtain original template features from helper data is computationally complex.

2.2 Delaunay Triangles Based Structural Change Because of Non-Linear Distortion

None of the afore-hand work, the local Delaunay structural change under distortion. Figure 2 gives an example of local Delaunay structural change under distortion. If distortion presents in the local Delaunay structures that moves minutiae points C within the tolerance area, convex pentangle of P(abcde) contained triangles, T(acb) , T(acd) and T(ade) could not change in this Case, as show in figure 2(a). however, if distortion moves minutiae points C out of tolerance area, pentangle P(abcde) occupied Triangle T(abc), T(acd) and T(aed) will be altered into T(abe), T(bed) and T(bcd) as show in figure 2(b). We assume that the convex pentangles in figure 2(a) and 2(b) are template and query image respectively.
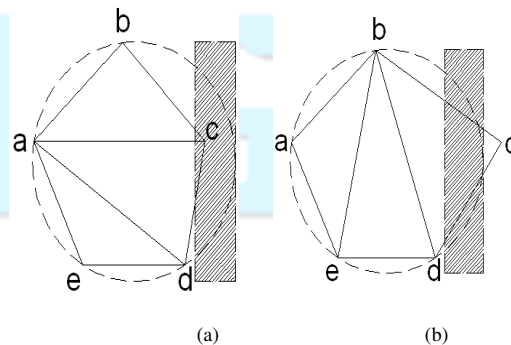

(a)   (b)

Fig. 2 Local Delaunay structural changes under nonlinear distortion: (a) feature point 'c' moves within the tolerance area, (b) feature point 'c' moves out of the tolerance region.

In this case, during matching process template image of triangles, T(acb), T(adc) and T(ade) not match with query images of triangles T(abe), T(bed) and T(cbd). So tolerate this issue proposed quantization operator. It is in response to small scale variation.

3. PROPOSED METHOD

The objective of this proposed Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication systems to tolerate the local structural change suffered by Delaunay triangle based structure under nonlinear distortion and to provide double layer of secure protection to template data by using topology code and pinsketch for authentication purpose. Unique topology code derived from Delaunay pentangle is of fixed length and alignment free. This is used to carry out accurate local registration under distortion. In figure 3 shows on example of Delaunay pentangle (bold line) don't alter but Delaunay triangle altered under distortion.

Delaunay pentangle is built upon the construction of Delaunay triangulation net. The algorithm for producing Delaunay triangulation is detailed in [8]. Here we given a set of minutiae $M = \{m_i\}i^N=1$, Where N is a set of minutiae, as showed in figure 3. In order to construct Delaunay triangulation, first need to construct voronoi diagram. The role of voronoi diagram partitioned entire region into small cell based on minutiae points is there in images. All the points in the cell around m_i or closure to m_i than to any other minutiae. After that the Delaunay triangulation is formed by joining the centre of every pair of neighbouring in voronoi region. Next Delaunay pentangle can be formed by combining any three Delaunay triangles. The user specified seed key bound from topology code for security enhancement and Secrete key is extracted from pentangle features. This proposed system occupy two stages are enrolment and verification, if both stage feature points, topology code and secrete key same the person allow to access control otherwise not allowed.
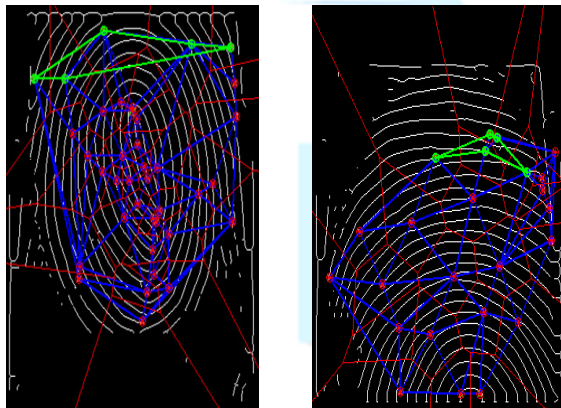
101-1   101-2

Fig. 3 Delaunay pentangle based structures from FVC2002 DB2 101-1, 2 impression.

Proposed Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication provides better matching accuracy of 99% in FVC2002 DB2.

3.1 Topology Code for Local Registration

Finger print image registration is a critical process in fingerprint matching. The fingerprint registration fortunately takes place in the encrypted domain. This is because for fingerprint authentication system with template protection, the original template features are not available to compute the alignment parameters. For instance, reference points, e.g., singular point, are usually used as the reference to establish a rotation and translation relationship between query and template images; however, the reference point exposure during the alignment procedure would leak important information about the fingerprint data, thus weakening the security of the associated fingerprint authentication system.

The proposed Delaunay pentangle-based structure can avoid this global image registration process because only local registration is needed by using local minutiae information. For example, there is a pair of corresponding Delaunay pentangle, *P (ABCDE)* and *P (A'B'C'D'*E'*)* from the template and query images, respectively. The key to matching *P (ABCDE)* with *P (A'B'C'D'*E'*)* is that *P (A'B'C'D'*E'*)* has to be correctly aligned with *P (ABCDE)*. Assume that the points *A, B, C, D E* in *P(ABCDE)* are corresponding to points *A'B'C'D'*E'* in *P(A'B'C'D'*E'*)*, respectively, and that the feature extraction procedure starts from point *A*, the vertex angle of small, in *P (ABCDE)* and then moves to point *D* in the clock-wise direction. In this case, the correct local registration is about precisely finding *A*'s corresponding point *A'* in *P (A'B'C'D'*E'*)*. A straightforward method is to search the vertex of the minimum angle from *P(A'B'C'D'*E'*)* and consider it as the starting point of the pentangle Q(A'B'C'D'E').

This method, which uses an absolute geometrical measurement, is worth only when no structural change happens. Unfortunately, nonlinear distortion caused by elastic finger skin always exists in fingerprint images, thus structural change is unavoidable. Distortion may occur the genuine corresponding angle A of the smallest angle A in P (ABCDE) to be the second smallest angle in P(A'B'C'D'). As a result, point B' would be not correctly chosen as the starting point of P(A'B'C'D'E'). Then, the matching result between P (A'B'C'D'E') and P (A'B'C'D'E') would definitely be negative because the corresponding attributes (e.g. edge length, orientation of minutiae) of these two Delaunay pentangles are different. From the above analysis, we can see that using absolute geometrical measurement in deciding a starting point under distortion is inaccurate.

Naturally, the quantization operation is expected to solve this issue because it can make angle values insensitive to small-scale differences and assign same symbols to those angles that are located in the same range. The value of an angle in a Delaunay pentangle is in the range of 0 to 2π. Assume the quantization step
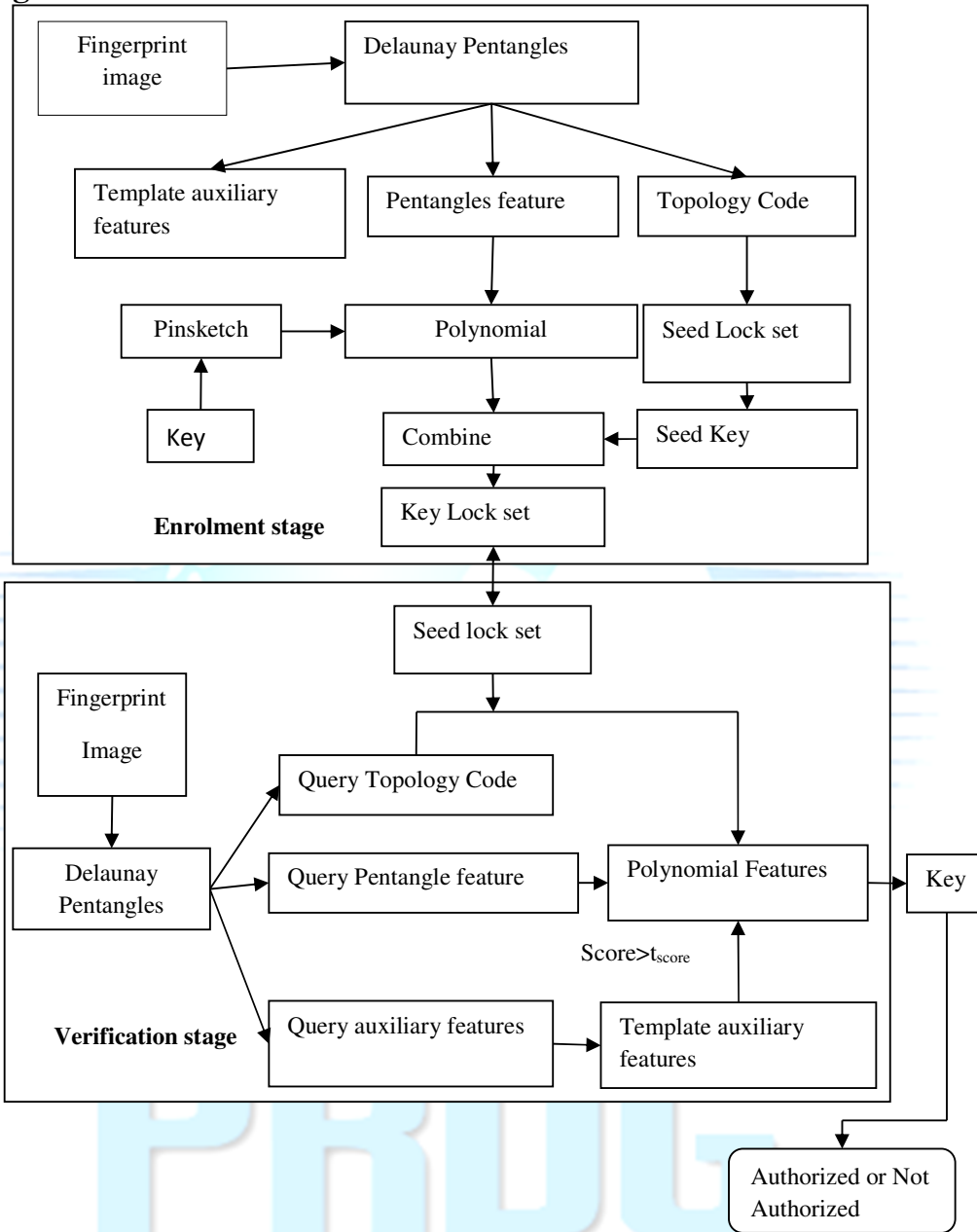
Fig. 5 Proposed System Architecture

size is $ss_{tc} = \pi/6$ and the quantized angle value is expressed as a binary string of m_{tc} bits or an integer ranging from 0 to $2^m tc$, then the first two smallest angles, A and B, in P(ABCDE) are both quantified into the same integer value '2' or '0010' in a binary form(0,1). Similarly, A' and B' in P (A'B'C'D'E') are also quantified into the same value '2' or '0010' in a binary form. We use the different values in the remaining part of the paper unless stated otherwise. In

this way, point B' won't be chosen for the starting point of the Delaunay pentangle P (A'B'C'D'E') However, other issue arises from this treatment. Since the values of the first two smallest angles, A and B, after quantization, are both denoted by the same integer value '2', which point should be considered as the starting point. The angles, A, B, C, D, E of P(ABCDE) are quantified into '2', '2', '4','5','6' respectively. We discover that, by changing the starting point from A to E

and counting the quantized angle values in clock-wise direction sequentially, five different code strings 2-2-3-4-5, 2-3-4-5-2, 3-4-5-2-2, 4-5-2-2-3 and 5-2-2-3-4, can be generated. Likewise five different code strings 2-2-3-4-5, 2-3-4-5-2, 3-4-5-2-2, 4-5-2-2-3 and 5-2-2-3-4 can also be produced for P (A'B'C'D'E').
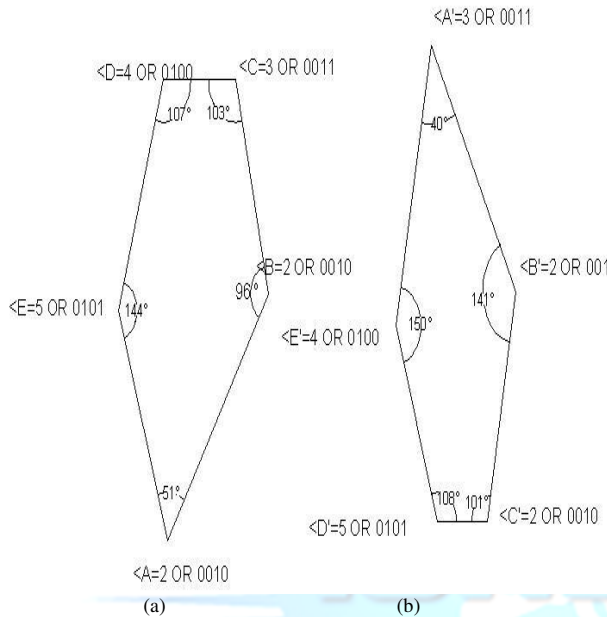

Fig. 5 Corresponding Delaunay pentangles P(ABCDE) and P (A' B' C' D' E') in (a) the template image & (b) the query image.

The equation (1) using us to find the starting point of Delaunay pentangle in local registration. So make each pentangle correspond to a descriptor of individual, equation use from [11] as follows.

$$TC= P_1 \times \Gamma^4 + P_2 \times \Gamma^3 + P_3 \times \Gamma^2 + P_4 \times \Gamma^1 + P_5 \times \Gamma^0 \quad (1)$$

Where $\{pi\}_{i=1}^5$ are the quantized angle values of the Delaunay pentangle and $\Gamma = \max(p1, p2, p3, p4, p^5) + 1$. Using equation (1), we calculate a value for each of the five code strings and choose the smallest value to be the descriptor of the Delaunay pentangle under consideration. The descriptor founded by equation (1) is very unique. Since the descriptor TC describes the shape feature of the Delaunay Pentangle, because we call it topology code in this paper.

According to the topology code TC generation norm, each Delaunay pentangle can be inscribed by an isolated value. For example, it refers from equation (1) that the resulting values of the five code strings, 2-2-3-4-5, 2-3-4-5-2, 3-4-5-2-2, 4-5-2-2-3 and 5-2-2-3-4, from P (ABCDE) are 3161, 3413, 4946, 6351 and 7006 respectively. Hence, the minor value 3161, which correlates to the starting point of A, is chosen as the topology code of P (ABCDE). Likewise, the topology code of P (A'B'C'D'E') is also calculated to be 3161,

which is corresponding to the starting point A'. The starting points A of P (ABCDE) and A' of P (A'B'C'D'E') are just the correct corresponding points that we need to find. By this means, accurate local registration is achieved and the mistake that point B' is considered as the starting point of P (A'B'C'D'E') by using the absolute geometrical measurement can be avoided.

3.2 Invariant Feature Extracted From Delaunay Pentangle

Lot of invariant features can be extracted from Delaunay pentangle for increasing reliability of fingerprint Matching. Some invariant features are Translation, Rotation, Invariant local features of Delaunay pentangle. Totally 25 = (5×5) invariant features can be extracted from Delaunay pentangle. The invariant features extracted from Delaunay pentangle, a certain extent of deformity should be admitted due to the elasticity of the finger skin.

3.3 Auxiliary Feature Extracted from Delaunay Pentangle

Auxiliary feature extracted from each Delaunay pentangle for increasing discriminative ability of system. In that, to be specific, initially we need to find the center points of each Delaunay pentangle and that is considered as a reference point of polar correlate space. This features also used to reduce the non linear distortion effects.

Two auxiliary features similarity can be acquired from equation (2),

$$score\left(a_{f_i}, a_{f_j}\right) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{L_{af}}\left(a_{f_{i,k}} - \overline{a_{f_i}}\right)\left(a_{f_{i,k}} - \overline{a_{f_j}}\right)}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{L_{af}}(a_{f_{i,k}} - \overline{a_{f_i}})^2 \sum_{k=1}^{L_{af}}(a_{f_{j,k}} - \overline{a_{f_j}})^2}} \quad (2)$$
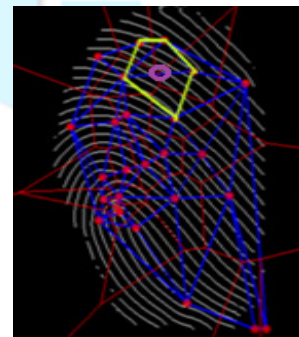

Fig. 6 An example of Delaunay pentangle based auxiliary features point.

3.4 Pinsketch

In this paper, we also propose to construct pinsketch techniques for recover biometric template data and in the meanwhile, to provide secure protection of template data. We give below a brief construction of pinsketch, which contains two models, are Encode and Decode modal.

A. Encode Model:

Let assume that ω be a template feature vector that need protection in that apply secure protection ss(.) to template data is ss(ω). It will provide helper data for verification stage. ss(ω) is expressed as

$$ss(\omega) = syn(\omega) = (s_1, s_3, \ldots s_{2t-1}) \qquad (3)$$

B. Decode Model:

Let assume that ω' be a query feature vector is give into recover module with helper data for extract original key from helper data. To extract original key from helper data by an irreversible encryption process. ss(ω') is computed by

$$ss(\omega') = syn(\omega') = (s'_1, s'_3 \ldots s'_{2t-1}) \qquad (4)$$

After that distinguish between ss(ω) and ss(ω') is computed as,

$$syn(\lambda) = ss(\omega) - ss(\omega')$$

$$= (s_1 - s'_1, s_3 - s'_3, s_5 - s'_5, \ldots, s_{2t-1} - s'_{2t-1}) \qquad (5)$$

Next the ω can be computed from recover module expressed as,

$$\omega = Rec(\lambda, \omega') = syn(\lambda) + syn(\omega') \qquad (6)$$

3.5 Security Analysis

The proposed system protected by two layers, pinsketch (similar to fuzzy vault techniques) is the first security layer; it can be extracted from min entropy feature vector. Code offset construction equal to pinsketch construction. Min entropy of pinsketch can be expressed as

$$E_{ps} = \log\left(\frac{(2^{L_q-i})}{\binom{L_{q-i}}{t_{ps}}}\right) \qquad (7)$$

Second layer of security provided to proposed system by topology code set helps to bind seed (k_{tc}) using fuzzy logic techniques. The seed can be computed as

$$E_{tc} = -\log\left(\frac{\binom{N_{tc}}{n+1}}{\binom{N_{tc}+N_{cf}}{n+1}}\right) \qquad (8)$$

Hence the proposed feature points can be protected by two layers.

4. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

We evaluated the proposed system on three publicly available databases are FVC2002 (DB1, DB2 and DB3) with the 1VS1 protocols. According to the norm of this 1VS1, we set the 1st image from each finger in the dataset as the template image and compare it with 2nd image from same finger in the dataset as the query image to calculate the FRR.

To calculate FAR, we set the 1st image from each finger as the template image and it compare with 1st image from remaining finger as the template image. In order to avoid correlation, if x image has been matched with y image and then the comparison of symmetric in not executed. The standard 1VS1 protocol contains eight impressions per finger, but only using first two impressions for matching purpose, because 1st two impressions restrain only less distortion and variations.

Table 2: Information of the FVC Databases Used In Our Experiments

Parameter	2002DB1	2002DB2	2002DB3
Resolution	500dpi	569 dpi	500dpi
Number of fingers	10	10	10
Number of images per finger	8	8	8
Sensor type	Optical sensor	Optical sensor	Capacitive sensor
Image size	388x374	560x296	300x300
Image quality	Medium	Medium	Medium – Low

4.1 Performance Evaluation

To evaluate the performance of the Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system, there are utilized three indicants performances: (1) false accept rate (FAR), which is defined as the ratio of unsuccessful genuine attempts to total genuine attempts, (2) false reject rate (FRR), which is defined as the ratio of successful impostor attempts to the total impostor attempts, (3) equal error rate (EER), which is defined as the error rate when FAR and FRR are equal.

4.2 Performance comparison of two different structures

In order to evaluate the effects of Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system with topology code, we compared and tested with two different structures (1) Delaunay quadrangle based structures with topology code for local registration, and (2) Delaunay pentangle based structures with topology code for local registration, in FVC2002 DB2 databases by using 1VS1 protocol.

The performance comparison with two different structures is illustrated in figure 8. It can be observed from figure 8. the Delaunay pentangle based structure with topology code (EER=0.71%) exhibits the best performance compare to Delaunay quadrangle with topology code (EER=1.02%).This proves that the Delaunay pentangle is more stable than Delaunay quadrangle and feature extracted from Delaunay pentangle is more discriminative than Delaunay quadrangle because it has richer characteristics. Under the topology code used in both structures, which is summarized by Delaunay pentangle EER = 0.71% with topology code, Delaunay quadrangle EER =1.02%, compare with Delaunay quadrangle EER = 1.67% without topology code.
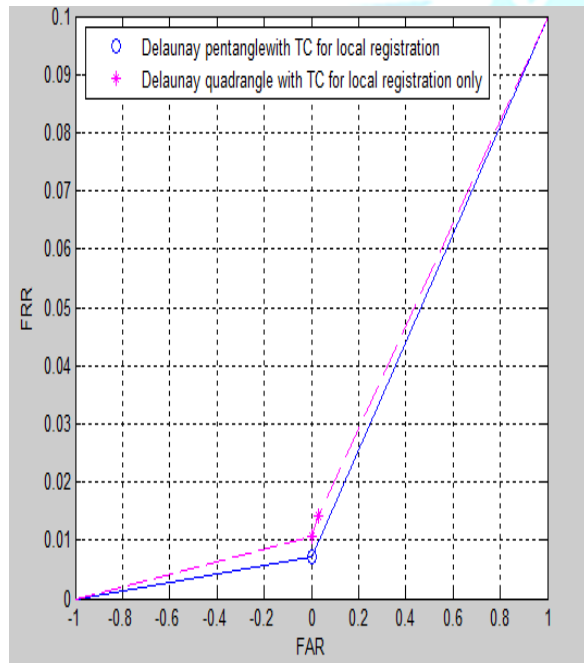

Fig. 7 Performance comparison of two different structures on database FVC2002 DB2.

4.3 Performance Evaluation with three public databases

We evaluate the performance of proposed system using 1VS1 protocol of FVC2002 (DB1, DB2 and DB3). To represent features by using these three databases based on Delaunay Pentangle with topology code for local registration and improving security. Performance over three databases used in proposed system varies because these three databases contain different image quality as shown in table 2.
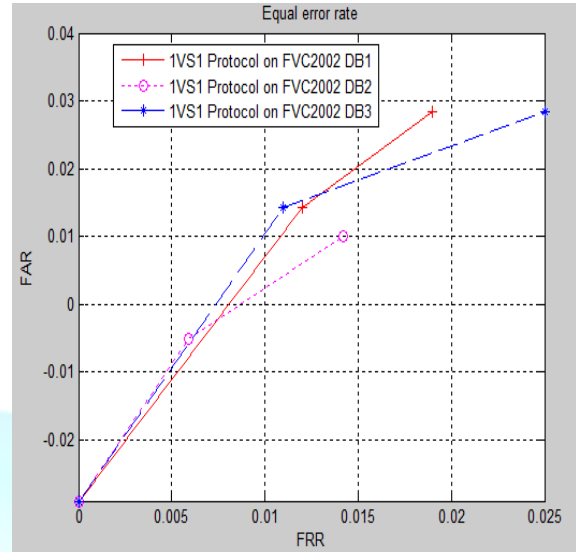

Fig. 8 Performance of the three different of 1VS1protocol used in proposed method.

Three databases composed 80 fingerprint images from 10 different fingers, i.e. eight impression per finger. Performance of the proposed system lower in database FVC2002 DB3 compare to other two biometrics used in our proposed system such as, FVC2002 DB1, FVC2002 DB2. Proposed system recognition performance degraded in three proposed databases because of poor image quality.

The proposed system perform best on FVC2002 DB2 (FAR=0%, FRR=0.71%); with the 1VS1 protocol, FVC2002 DB1 (FAR=0% FRR=2.8%) and FVC2002 DB3 (FAR=1.1% FRR=2.8%) as shown in table 3. The performance of this proposed system is mainly degraded because of lower image quality. Security of the proposed system is provided by double layer of protection, topology code and pinsketch.

Table 3: Performance analysis of 1vs1 protocol used in proposed method (values in percentage).

Method	2002DB1 EER (FRR/FAR)	2002DB2 EER (FRR/FAR)	2002DB3 EER (FRR/FAR)
Li et al.	-	(7/0)	-
Kai et al.	-	4.5	-
Wencheng yang et al.[1]	(4/0)	1.02	8.63
Proposed method incorporating TC for local registration.	(2.8/0) 1.42	0.71	1.95

5. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we propose a Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system to withstand the local structural change under non linear distortion. We have extract three feature set from Delaunay pentangle based structures are: (1) auxiliary feature to increase discriminative ability of the proposed system; (2) extract secrete key from Delaunay Pentangle that needs protection, by using pinsketch for providing security to template data; (3) and extract five topology code for template protection another benefit of the topology code to achieve accurate local registration in presence distortion. We conclude that our proposed system assurance double layer of secure protection to template data and also Delaunay pentangle can assist in accomplishing best local registration under non linear distortion because Delaunay pentangle has more stable and robust than Delaunay quadrangle based method. Experimental results report that proposed system EER = 0.71% FAR = 0% FRR = 1.42% than other biometric methods. Future work, the proposed method will be tested with other biometric templates especially palm print. Since palm print has less intrusive and more social acceptability and high accuracy than other biometrics.

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