

# Experimental Analysis of two Encryption Schemes for Security of Video Streaming

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**Abstract:** With an exponential growth of multimedia and high speed internet, many relevant services and software are available for common person. Out of which, one of the applications is that common man wants to send multimedia data on internet. H.264 codec is used to compress this data by the systems. But data on the internet can be hacked, pirated or tampered with. Hence some security is required for multimedia data. In this paper, two schemes are provided for securing the video streaming after compression. One is with the proposed algorithm and the other with the standard algorithm(AES). In the second scheme, FMO is applied to bitstream which adds error resilience to the data. Both the schemes are applied selectively to I frame only of AVC/SVC. Performance is evaluated by finding PSNR for quality measurement. Also overhead bit and encoding time are compared. Security is discussed for some attacks. After considering the results for PSNR and discussion for other parameters, it is concluded that the second encryption scheme is much better as compared to the first one.

**Index Terms:** Bitstream, Encryption, FMO, H.264AVC/SVC, Security.

## I. INTRODUCTION

This, due to fast growth of network bandwidth, improved compression techniques and advanced delivery technology, media communication over wireless networks, is rapidly increasing. Demand for multimedia services is increasing exponentially. Multimedia is distributed over open and generally insecure channel. Piracy of sensitive data is another threat. Hence secure delivery of multimedia has become an important and critical concern. An attempt has been made to secure multimedia stream in this project.

For secure transmission of the data, it is protected before transmission. Primary solution for protecting the data is the encryption. Earlier, entire data was encrypted but nowadays selective and only sensitive parts are encrypted.

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Survey of encryption techniques is done in [1],[2] and [3]. Accordingly encryption algorithms are classified as pre compression, post compression and compression integrated encryptions. Preferred technology for compression is h.264 video codec. This is open source, free of charge with encoding & decoding programs supplied by the manufacturers. Hence, extra security is required.

In encryption before compression, Shi and Bhargava presented the VEA and its improved version RVEA in [6] which encrypts motion vectors with P and B frames. Selective encryption using wavelet transform and DCT transform are proposed by W. Zeng and S. Lei in [7]. Both the schemes are found to be less secure for chosen plain text attacks. Many researchers have proposed different algorithms based on bitplane encryption, bit level image encryption, permutation of pixels lying in the region of interests, SCAN methodology etc. P and B frames are also used instead of I frame in one of the methods of encryption.

In encryption integrated compression, intra prediction mode encryption, inter prediction mode encryption, motion vector encryption, sign encryption of motion vector, Ex-Golomb code encryption for motion vector, secret transform, DCT coefficient encryption, secret scan order, entropy coding encryption are proposed in different research papers. Researchers tried encryption with single parameters as well as more than one parameters. In this category of encryption almost all the parameters are considered. Result obtained are also visually similar in almost all the schemes.

In encryption after compression, encoder encodes YUV video and result is a bitstream. This bitstream have two different format as NALU and as per annexure B [8], dependent upon the encoder programming. Researcher considered different parameters of the bitstream for encryption. Depending on which parameter is used for encryption, there are NALU encryption, container format, partial/selective encryption. M. Abomhara et al. in [9] presented the new scheme for partial encryption. Paper claims for low bit overhead and low computational complexity but does not give any explanation about security issue. Some more schemes such as a selective encryption for RTP payload Equal to 101,103 and 104 which are I frame, SPS and PPs respectively is proposed in [10]. Selective encryption algorithm used in encryption after compression are more suitable from the security point of view. This is because, already after compression there is no

any correlation between plaintext and compressed text. This compressed text if further encrypted; it will be very difficult for attacker to attack on this ciphertext. Hence in this paper video is encrypted after compression.

## II. TWO DIFFERENT SCHEMES

In this paper, two different schemes are applied for encrypting the video before transmission.

### A. First Proposed Scheme

In H.264 AVC, baseline profile is considered for programming. Baseline profile encodes the video with only I and P frames. Algorithm is applied to only I frames selectively. All the ensuing frames are dependent on the I-frame. Hence, encrypting the I-frame affects the P frames following it. In I frames, all the Macro block of the frames are encoded using intra prediction whereas in P frames some Macroblocks are coded using<sup>a</sup> interprediction.

The algorithm used for encryption before compression in [4

considered for encryption after compression. The only difference in steps of algorithm is that the extra step of I frame separation is inserted. I frame is identified in the bitstream after encryption using the hex code 65. Fig 1 shows the proposed scheme where as Fig 2 shows the flowchart for the proposed algorithm of I frame encryption respectively. The algorithm is applied to AVC and SVC. When the encrypted video is decoded, it is observed that the I frame in AVC and I and one P frame in SVC are missing as shown in bar chart in Fig 3 and 4 respectively.

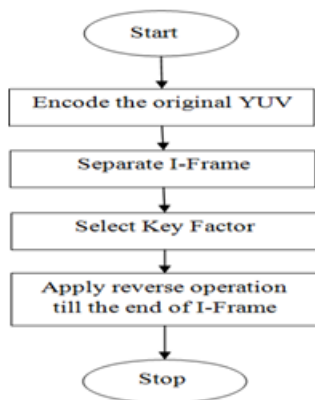


Fig. 1 Proposed scheme for I frame encryption

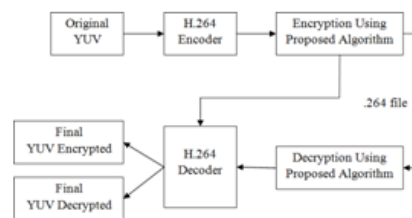


Fig. 2 Flowchart of proposed algorithm for I frame encryption

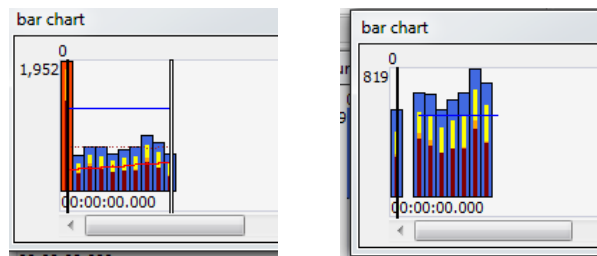


Fig. 4 Bar chart of (a) decoded (b) encrypted video for 10 frames (SVC)

### B. Second Proposed Scheme

In first scheme, the proposed algorithm used was not much complex and keys were not that strong enough too. Selecting AES as a standard algorithm is a good option. Instead of reducing the key length and complexity of the algorithm, here number of bits to be encrypted is reduced by selecting the I-frame for encryption. Frames are encoded by applying FMO as error resilient tool. Fig.5 and Fig. 6 show the theme of the proposed scheme [5]. In the proposed scheme, the original video is passed through the encoder. The bitstream is analyzed for the I-frame. The data following 0000000165 is identified as I frame data. The identified I-frame is sliced using FMO. The algorithm for the above scheme is shown below in flowchart fig. 7. Fig. 8 shows the bar chart for encoded and encrypted video of AVC. The colour of I frame gets changed due to encryption. Scheme applied to SVC gives only the single frame as in Fig. 9 after encryption as SVC is more complex than AVC.

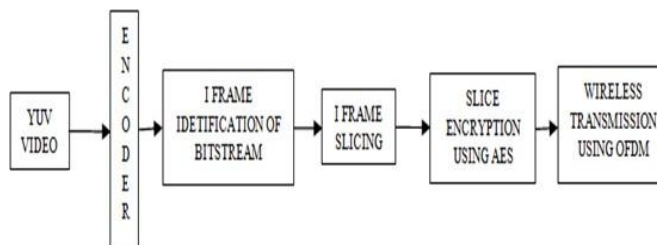
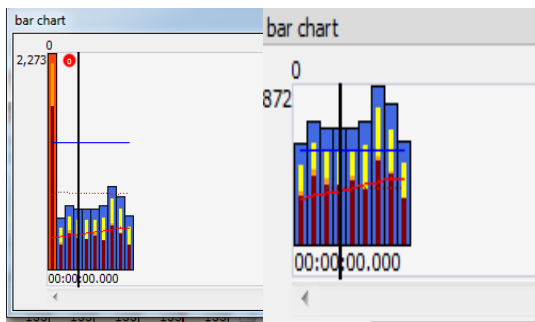


Fig. 5 Encoding and Encryption of Video



(a) (b)

Fig. 3 Bar chart of (a) decoded (b) encrypted video for 10 frames (AVC)

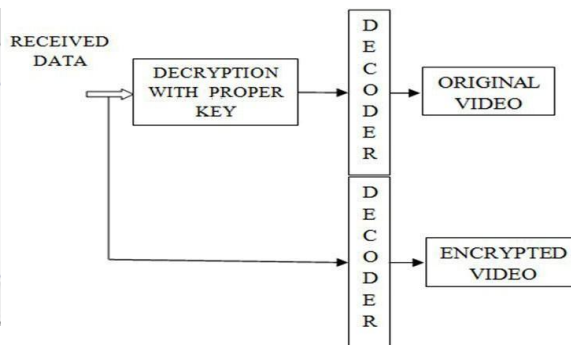


Fig. 6 Decoding and Decryption of Video

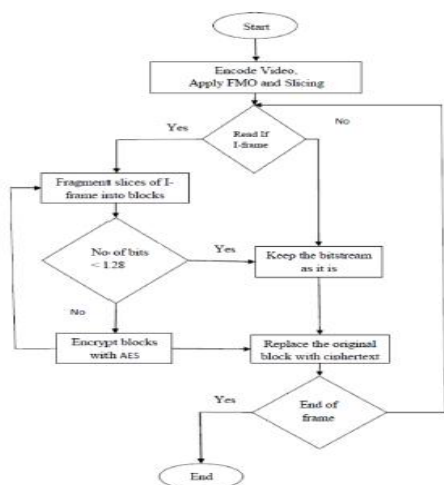
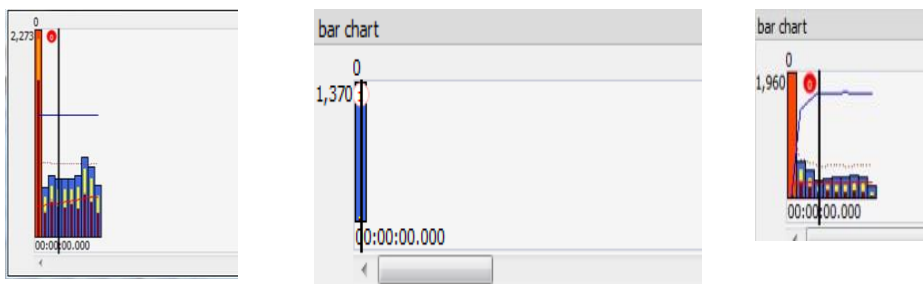


Fig. 7 Flowchart for I Frame Encryption

b. (b)

Fig. 8 Bar chart of (a) encoded (b) encrypted video for 10 frames (AVC)

Fig. 9 Bar chart of encrypted video(SVC)

### III. COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS

Two approaches are studied which encrypt the video of YUV sequence foreman with QCIF format after compression. This section describes the outcome of the performance comparison which include PSNR, key factor analyses, overhead bit, required encryption time.

#### A. PSNR Comparison

The percentage decrease in PSNRs between video decrypted with wrong key and the decoded video is calculated. For comparison of two schemes, the PSNRs are shown in table I. From this table, it is seen that the percentage decrease in Y, U and V PSNR for the decrypted video with wrong key in first scheme is less as compared to second scheme.

TABLE I  
 DECREASE IN PSNRs  
 FOR AVC

Sr. No.	Percentage decrease in Y PSNR		Percentage decrease in U PSNR		Percentage decrease in V PSNR	
	I scheme	II scheme	I scheme	II scheme	I scheme	II scheme
0[I]	--	89.06	--	81.74	--	84.90
1[P]	65.34	86.28	30.32	81.56	32.35	84.83
2[P]	--	81.31	--	78.54	--	81.08
3[P]	65.00	77.31	30.20	75.80	31.71	78.16
4[P]	65.06	76.46	30.29	74.95	31.43	78.25
5[P]	64.85	70.95	30.01	70.32	30.57	73.37
6[P]	65.07	61.05	29.98	64.56	30.48	56.23
7[P]	65.18	63.91	29.93	62.82	30.07	65.45
8[P]	65.23	53.59	29.63	44.22	29.81	37.45
9[P]	65.17	43.67	29.28	44.37	30	49.48
Avg.	65.11	71.07	29.96	68.01	30.80	69.15

#### B. Encoding Time Analysis

Percentage increase in time to get the cipher text is 0.75% in first proposed scheme and that of in second proposed scheme is 38%. Increase in time to get cipher text is more in second case as compared to the first scheme

## C. Overhead Bit Analysis

The increase in number of bits in the process of encryption is called overhead bit. In both proposed schemes, the encryption process is applied to bitstream after encoding, so extra bits are not getting generated. Hence there is no any calculation for overhead bits. Bits with and without encryption are same

## D. Security Analysis

It is not easy to determine the security of encryption scheme. The factors which decide these security are the cost of breaking the cipher should be greater than the actual cost involved in process and the time required to break the cipher should exceed information lifetime. It is discussed for the following attacks.

- 1) **Cipher Text only Attacks:** In this attack, the attacker has a knowledge of only cipher text and he has to check the key by only brute force. In case of second proposed scheme as the key length is 128 bit long, applying brute force for getting the key requires very large amount of time.
- 2) **Known plaintext Attacks:** In this attack, attacker has some additional knowledge other than cipher text. He also knows plaintext and algorithm. But because the key length is 128 bit long, again it is not that easy to break the key.

## IV. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, performance comparison of two different proposed schemes is investigated. With respect to PSNR, it is concluded that the video in first scheme can be more easily guessed than the second proposed scheme. Considering case of encoding time of second scheme, it can be stated that although the time required is

more for converting plaintext to cipher text, security of the scheme is more as compared to the first scheme. In both the schemes, no extra bits get generated. Hence both the schemes are free from overhead. After discussion of some security check attacks, it is evident that the second proposed scheme is stronger with respect to security as compared to first proposed scheme.

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