Energy Conservation in Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) and Its Application to Image Compression

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Research background and objectives

Advantages of Wavelet Transform

- Multiresolution analysis
- frequency localization capability

Importance of Energy Conservation

- Ensures information integrity in signal processing
- Theoretical basis for image compression, denoising

Research Objectives

- Validate energy conservation mathematically
- Quantify energy retention via image compression experiments

Theoretical analysis

Theoretical Foundations of DWT

- Scaling function (ϕ) and wavelet function (ψ)
- Multi-scale decomposition: Approximation (cA) and Detail (cH, cV, cD) subbands
- Orthogonal Wavelet Basis Properties:

$$\langle \psi_{j,k}, \psi_{m,n} \rangle = \delta_{j,m} \, \delta_{k,n}, \qquad j, k, m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Critical Conditions

- Use of orthogonal wavelets (e.g., Haar, Db1)
- No signal truncation or padding-induced errors

Energy Conservation Formula

Energy Conservation Formula for Orthogonal DWT

• For orthogonal wavelet bases:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{M} \sum_{j=1}^{N} |x[i,j]|^2 = \sum_{k,l} |d_k[l]|^2 + \sum_{m} |a_J[m]|^2$$

• For Haar wavelet bases:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i,j} |x[i,j]|^2 &= \sum_{i,j} |cA[i,j]|^2 + \sum_{i,j} |cH[i,j]|^2 \\ &+ \sum_{i,j} |cV[i,j]|^2 + \sum_{i,j} |cD[i,j]|^2 \end{split}$$

Experimental Design and Code Implementation

Workflow

- Image preprocessing
 - grayscale conversion
 - resizing to power-of-2 dimensions
- DWT decomposition("dwt2"function)
- Energy calculation and conservation validation
- Image reconstruction("idwt2"function)

Parameters

- Test image: "Lena" (52*52)
- Wavelet basis:Haar

Code and Implementation

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matlab

[cA, cH, cV, cD] = dwt2(A, 'haar');
energy_transformed = sum(cA(:).^2) +
sum(cH(:).^2) + sum(cV(:).^2) +
sum(cD(:).^2);
```

Figura 1: "Haar"basis

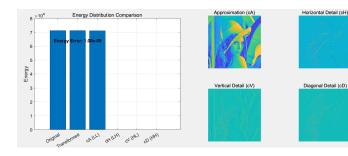
```
%% 5. Verify Energy Conservation
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          energy error = abs(energy original - energy transformed);
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         fprintf('Verify Energy Conservation:\n');
         fprintf(' | E_original - E_transformed| = %.8e\n', energy_error);
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          if energy error < 1e-8
              fprintf('Energy Conservation holds\n');
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         else
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              fprintf('Energy Conservation violated\n');
46
         end
47
```

Figura 2: Verify Energy Conservation

Code and Implementation







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Diagonal Detail (cD)

Conclusions and Future Work

Conclusions

- DWT strictly satisfies energy conservation when using orthogonal wavelet bases
- Proper image size alignment and orthogonal basis selection are critical factors

Future Work

- Energy error analysis for non-orthogonal wavelet frames
- Study of energy distribution in multi-scale decomposition (multi-level DWT)