

# A Study of Fingerprint Biometric Templates by Using Delaunay Based Structures

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**Abstract-** A fingerprint based authentication is one of mature and reliable biometric recognition techniques owing to the distinctiveness and stability that fingerprints can provide compared to other biometrics. The method of fingerprint authentication system can be divided into two types: Texture-based and Minutiae based methods. Compare to texture-based, minutiae based methods are more reliable and unique. Although much attention has been given to minutiae based matching, during fingerprint image acquisition uncertainty of fingerprint caused by non linear deformation, rotation and translation. In order to reduce fingerprint uncertainty and improve the system recognition, this paper presents a complete review of existing Delaunay based structures for authentication. A Delaunay is numerous algorithms for computing triangulation.

**Keywords-** Fingerprints, Biometrics, Delaunay Triangulation, Delaunay Quadrangle, Delaunay Pentangle.

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. 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 pronounced 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, thrust or stain. But 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 only than behavioural based method.

### B. Fingerprints

In the world of biometrics one of the most invasiveness and mature biometric recognition owing to the more Distinctiveness and stability that using fingerprint based authentication can provide better performance compare to other method. Fingerprint biometrics method can be classified into two types are texture and ridge feature

based, method compare to texture based, ridge feature based method has more social acceptability and more reliable. Fingerprint identification system represents fingerprints in terms of their feature points. The two popular eminent minutiae points 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.

## II. RELATED WORK

The recent developments in fingerprint biometric recognition of a person lead to enhancements in accuracy and stability. The related work of Delaunay based structures for fingerprint recognition technologies analyzed with various parameters such as matching and recognition. In Abellanas et.al.[2] introduce a Delaunay triangle based structure for fingerprint using similar minutiae structures. The Delaunay triangle based structure has proved some excellent Characteristics. Firstly, it provides excellent structural stability under random positional disruptions each minutia likely to maintain a similar structure with its neighbouring minutiae under translation, rotation and small scale change because of nonlinear distortion. Secondly Delaunay triangulation is influenced locally by virtue of missing and spurious minutiae. This means that by reason of random positional disturbances, some part of Delaunay triangulation can still maintain structural stability.

In [3] Bebies et al. proposed indexed based approach and Delaunay triangulation. The indexed based approach for fingerprint identification and Delaunay triangulation for extracting unique topology code. The leading demerit of this approach is local structures changed in presence of noise or distortion. In [4] Niel and Parziale proposed a radial basis function that applies to minutiae point set to forming a Delaunay triangulation and utilized several translation unchanged features and rotation of each and every Delaunay triangle to perform matching between template and quire images. In [5] Amirani et al. combined both Delaunay triangulation and voronoi diagram to generate hybrid matching algorithm.

### A. Delaunay Triangle-based Fingerprint Authentication System.

A Delaunay triangle-based fingerprint recognition system can operate in either identification or verification mode. Fingerprint identification scheme, the comparison

is done against templates corresponding to all the enrolled users in order to recognize the individual (a one-to-many matching). It is must be accurate. The general block diagram of Delaunay triangle based fingerprint authentication system is shown in figure [1].

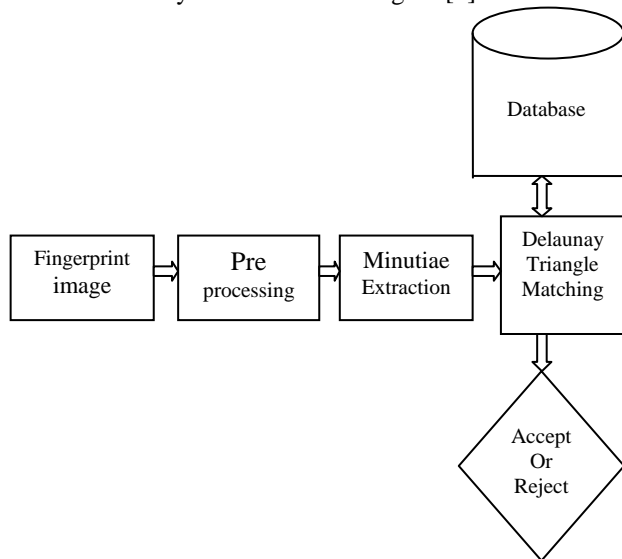


Fig. 1. Block diagram of Delaunay Triangle based fingerprint authentication system.

Delaunay triangle based fingerprint biometric system perform authentication using similar triangulation. If Delaunay triangle based structures is less than threshold the person authorized otherwise unauthorized.

1. Background on Delaunay Triangulation

Triangulation is a process that takes a region of space and divides it into sub regions. The space may be of any dimension, however, a 2D space is considered because here, we are dealing with 2D Minutiae points. In this case, the sub regions are just triangles. Delaunay triangulations are build upon the construction given below briefly. A Delaunay triangle-based structure has a good structural stability in presence of random positional disruptions and each minutiae maintain similar structure.

Given a set S of points  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N$ , We can compute the Delaunay triangulation of S by first computing its voronoi diagram. The voronoi diagram decomposes the 2D space into regions around each minutiae point such that all the points in the region around  $s_i$  are closer to  $s_i$  than they are to any other point in S. After found the voronoi diagram, the Delaunay triangulation can be formed by connecting the center of every pair of neighbouring voronoi regions. Figure 2a shows a set of 2D minutiae points with thinned ridges, their voronoi diagram (thin line) and Delaunay triangulation (bold line) is shown in figure 2b.

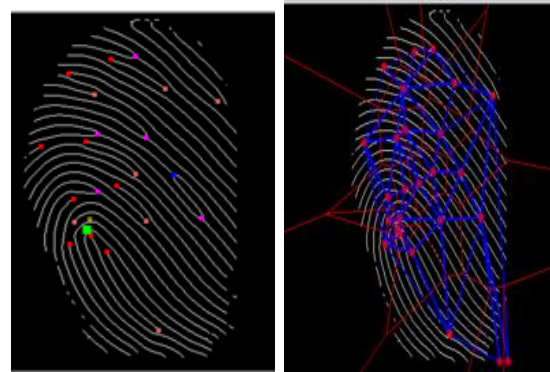


Fig. 2. (a) Set of minutiae points, (b) Voronoi diagram and their Delaunay triangulation.

The Delaunay triangulation has certain properties, including: (1) the Delaunay triangulation of non-degenerate set of points is unique, (2) a circle through the three points of Delaunay triangle contain no other points and (3) the minimum angle across all the angles in all the triangles in a delaunay triangulation is greater than the minimum angle in any other triangulation of the same points.

The fingerprint uncertainty caused one of the reasons of nonlinear distortion. Because of that neighbouring minutia, orientation between each minutiae and relative position changed. The Delaunay triangle based structures (EER= 4.02%, FAR= 2.23%, FRR= 5.7%) Telerate only rotation, translation but it suffered by in presence of non linear deformation.

B. Delaunay Quadrangle based fingerprint authentication system

Delaunay quadrangles are built upon the construction of the Delaunay triangulation net. The algorithm for producing Delaunay triangulation is detailed in [8]. Here we given a set of minutiae  $M = \{m_i\}_{i=1}^N$ , 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 job of voronoi diagram split local 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 quadrangle can be formed by combining any two Delaunay triangles that share a common side. The general block diagram of Delaunay quadrangle based fingerprint authentication system is shown in figure 4. In this case both template and query Delaunay quadrangle based structure similar the person authorized or unauthorized.

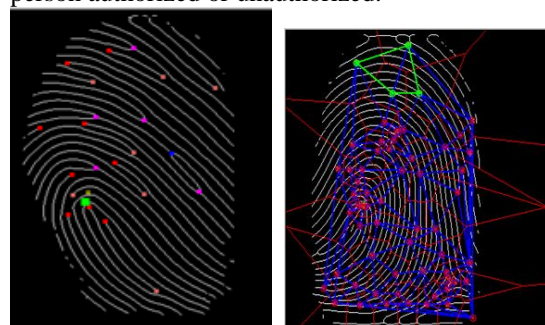


Fig. 3. (a) set of minutiae point with thinned ridges and (b) delaunay quadrangle based structure.

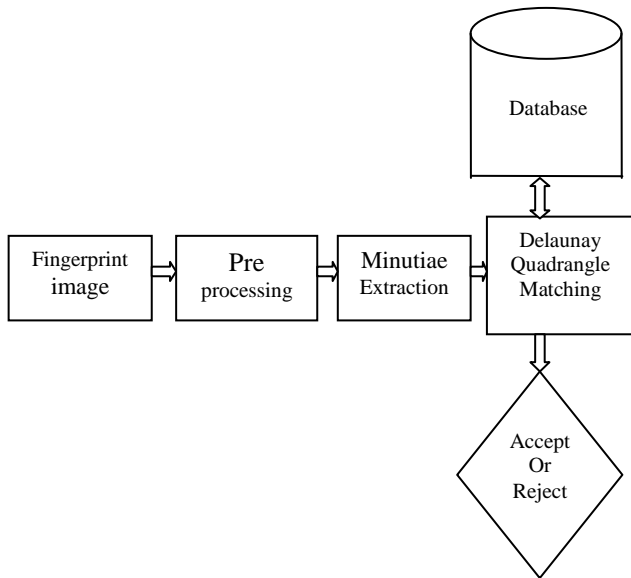


Fig. 4. Block diagram of Delaunay Quadrangle based fingerprint authentication system.

Feature vector extracted from Delaunay pentangle based structure is of fixed length and alignment free. Generally speaking feature vector extracted from Delaunay quadrangle based structures are more discriminative and more attributes (EER= 1.68%, FAR=2.23% and FRR= 1.07%) than those Delaunay triangle based structures. The main advantage of Delaunay quadrangle based structure can tolerate local structural changed in presence of nonlinear distortion. But it has only less attributes than Delaunay pentangle based structures.

**C. Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system**

The delaunay pentangle based structure has more attributes and more discriminative ability to nonlinear distortion than delaunay quadrangle based structures. Feature vector extracted from delaunay pentangle is of fixed length and alignment free, which is less sensitive to nonlinear distortion. The delaunay pentangle based structures able to withstand local structural change in presence of nonlinear distortion. A delaunay pentangle based structure extracted from input fingerprint image in local region. Delaunay pentangle based structures avoid this global image registration because only local registration is needed by using local minutiae information. Both template and query delaunay pentangle based structure match the person authorized or unauthorized. In figure 6 shows on block diagram of delaunay pentangle based structure(EER=1.05%, FAR= 0 and FRR= 2.14%).

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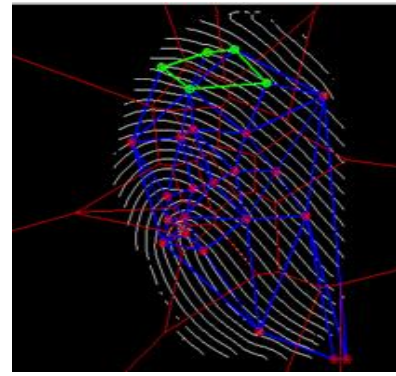


Fig. 5. Delaunay pentangle based structure

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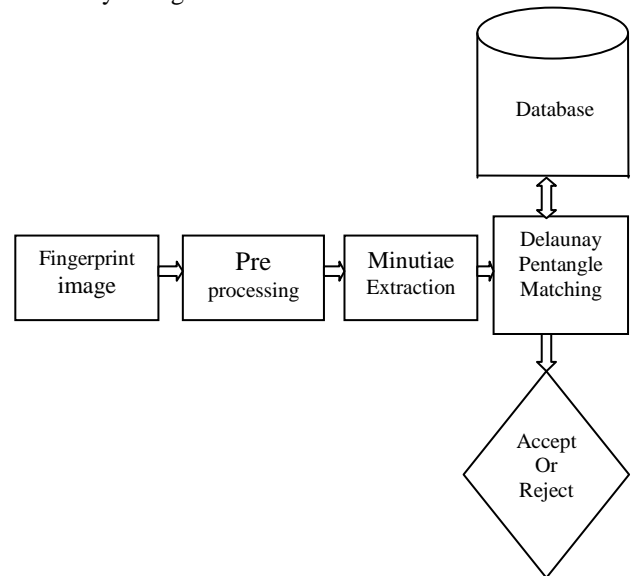


Fig.6. Block diagram of Delaunay pentangle based fingerprint authentication system.

**D. Performance evaluation of different Delaunay based structures:**

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

To evaluate the performance of Delaunay based structures, we set each image from each finger in database as the template image and compare it with seven images from the same fingers to calculate the FRR. And we set the 1<sup>st</sup> image from each finger in the database as the template to compare it with remaining fingers in the database to calculate the FAR. The genuine matching attempts is

$(8 \times 7) / 2 \times 10 = 280$  and imposter matching attempts  $(10 \times 9) / 2 = 45$  are made for FVC2002 DB2.

In order to evaluate the performance with three different structures are (1) Delaunay triangle based structure, (2) Delaunay quadrangle based structure and (3) Delaunay pentangle based structure, over the publicly available database FVC2002 DB2 detailed information is shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Detailed information of FVC2002 DB2.

Parameter	2002DB2
Resolution	569 dpi
Number of fingers	10
Number of images per finger	8
Sensor type	Optical sensor
Image size	560x296
Image quality	Medium

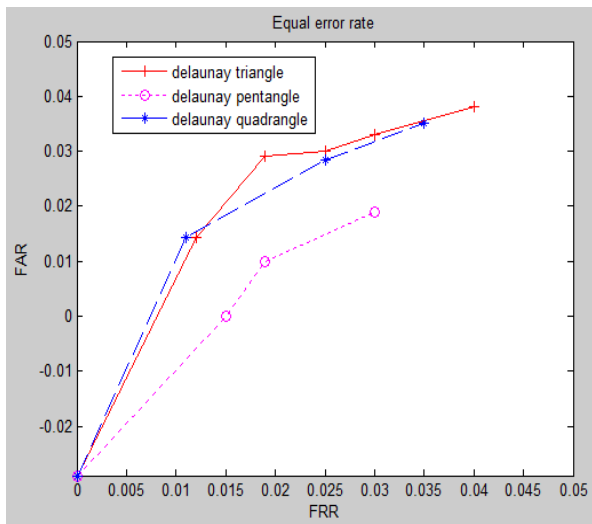


Fig. 7 Performance evaluation of Delaunay based structure.

The performance evaluation of these three different structures is illustrated in figure 7. It can be observed from figure 7 that the Delaunay pentangle based structure (EER= 1.05%) exhibits best performance than Delaunay triangle (EER= 4.02%) and Delaunay quadrangle based structures (EER= 1.68%). This proves that the Delaunay pentangle structure is more stable than Delaunay triangle and Delaunay quadrangle based structures

Table 2. Performance comparison of Delaunay based structures using FVC2002 DB2.

Method	2002DB2 EER (FRR/FAR)
Delaunay Triangle based structure for fingerprint authentication	4.02%
Delaunay quadrangle based structure for fingerprint authentication	1.68%
Delaunay pentangle based structure for fingerprint authentication	1.05%

### III. CONCLUSION

This paper presented the related works and performance analysis of Delaunay based structures for fingerprint authentication system. Performance analysis of Delaunay pentangle based structure achieves better performance than Delaunay triangle and Delaunay quadrangle based structures. It is survey that a Delaunay algorithm is the best recognition method fingerprint authentication. The performance of Delaunay pentangle based structure guaranteed low EER= 1.05% than other Delaunay based structure.

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