

according to their genre, pitch [11], level of noise content, zero crossing rate [12] etc..

On a broad view an audio fingerprinting algorithm is divided into two phases:

- 1.) The fingerprint extraction phase
- 2.) The search algorithm

The audio fingerprint is extracted with the help of Philips Robust Hash algorithm. The stages of fingerprint extraction phase are described as follows:

- a) In the first stage of this phase the query audio is framed.
- b) In the second stage Fourier transform is taken so as to change the signal from time domain to frequency domain.
- c) Out of the result of second stage 33 energy bands are selected between the range of 300hz -2000hz because this is the range for human auditory system.
- d) Up to this stage feature extraction takes place [13, 14, 15].
- e) In the fourth stage filtering is done.
- f) At the last stage we get a 32 bit sub fingerprint for every 11.6 millisecond therefore 256 sub fingerprints for every 3 seconds after performing threshold [16, 17] process. Figure 1 below shows various stages of sub-fingerprint extraction

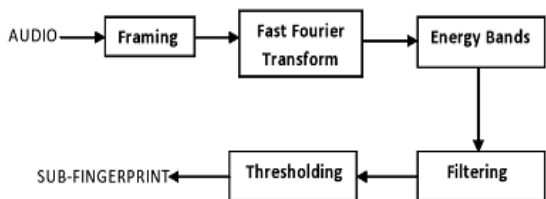


Fig. 1. Sub-Fingerprint Extraction Stages

The proposed search algorithm contains two phases as described below:

- a.) In the first phase all those songs are searched and retrieved which could possibly contain the candidate's fingerprint.
- b.) In the second phase each matched song's full fingerprint [18, 19] is fetched from the database and is compared with the query [20] fingerprint then it is retrieved and the song's hash count is now increased by one unit i.e. if the songs hash count [21] is 0 it is now 1 after the search and each time it is increased by 1 unit when it is retrieved after searching. After updating the hash count of the searched song, its position is updated in the database according to its hash count, the more the hash count the higher will be its position i.e. the top most position, so whenever this song's query comes next time then it will be retrieved from the updated position and not from the old position, which will decrease the time of retrieval thereby increasing the speed of searching. Figure 2 shows the flow chart structure of the proposed algorithm.

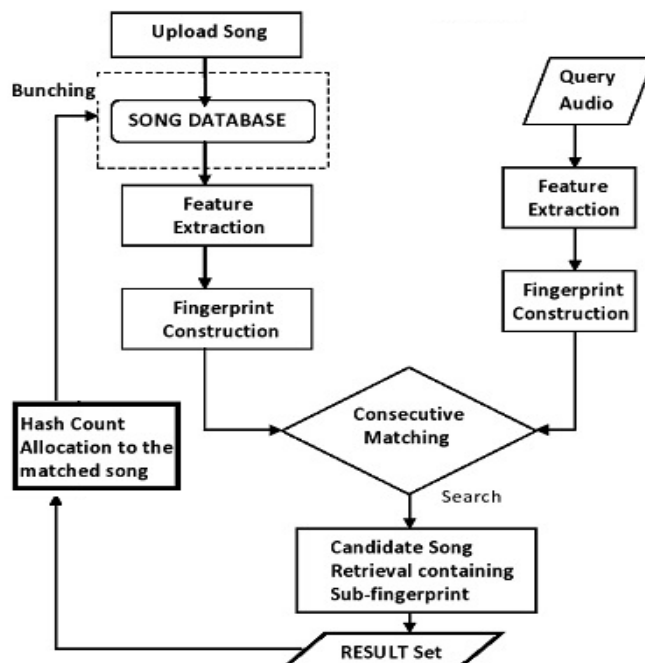


Figure 2: Proposed Hybrid Algorithm Flowchart

Figure 3 shows the song retrieval architecture for the above algorithm. This is the second phase of the proposed algorithm. It can be seen from the figure that a query fingerprint block contains 256 blocks of sub-fingerprints each of 32 bits. A fingerprint might be present at many positions in many songs. This fingerprint is projected [22,23] in database which then points to the pointers which further point to the position of a sub-fingerprint in a song.

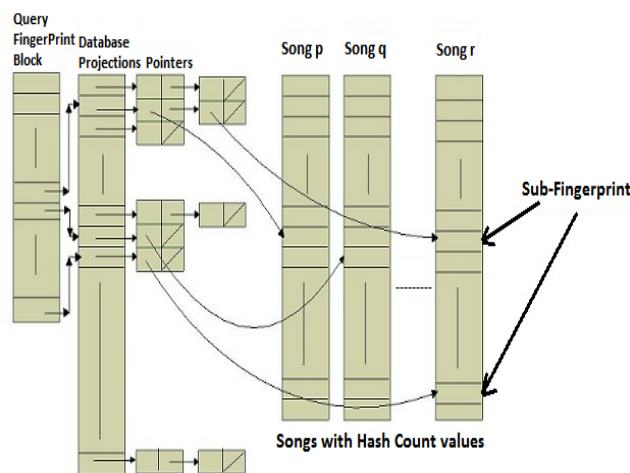


Figure 3: Proposed Retrieval Architecture

Pseudocode

Hybrid Algorithm for fingerprint search

Input Parameter: song clip 'c'.

Output Result: song 's' or 'no match'.

Procedure-

- 1.) Compute sub-fingerprint for query song clip 'c'.
- 2.) for i=1 to count(total songs) do {
 - if(sub-fingerprint('c')=sub-fingerprint('s'))
 - then{
 - a=i; //generalized search
 - }
- 3.) for j=1 to count(a) do{
 - if(fingerprint(a)=fingerprint(s))

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then{ //specialized search
write('song found');
increment hash_count(s) by 1;
}
else
write('no match');
}
    
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4. Implementation Notes

The following figure 4 shows the GUI of our work in running phase, with each and every component in it. We have implemented our system in Matlab R2012b (8.0.0.783) 64 bit (win64) for GUI and fingerprint generation and for database purpose we have used MySQL GUI v5.1.7 (C)2002-2005 Webyog Softworks Pvt.Ltd.

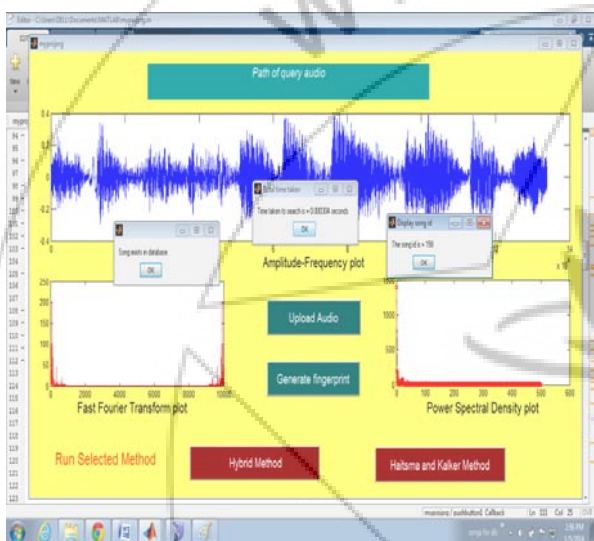


Figure 4: Interface for fingerprint generation and searching in Matlab R2012b

Our GUI consists of four buttons namely: Upload Audio, Generate Fingerprint, Hybrid Method and Haitsma and Kalker Method. The upload audio button saves the name of the song along with its initial counter value (0) in the database. The Generate fingerprint button generates the fingerprint (and sub-fingerprint) of the song and saves into the database. The Hybrid Method button searches the song with the our proposed algorithm and Haitsma and Kalker method button searches the song with their method. Each time when a song is searched its counter increases by 1 and the database is updated regularly each and every time. The Amplitude-Frequency plot graphs the amplitude of the song at various points whereas the Fast Fourier Transform plot and Power Spectral Density plot graphs the output of the respective functions used to generate sub fingerprint in matlab respectively.

5. Comparison of Existing Algorithm With Proposed Algorithm

As compared to the Haitsma and Kalker algorithm our algorithm elevates towards new scheme i.e. including Hash Count and Bunching. Surely in ideal conditions i.e. when no song is searched it will perform same as Haitsma and Kalker algorithm because to search a song whose hash count is 0 it

has to go to its initial position, similarly if the song is searched for the first time then also the algorithm has to go to its initial position. This algorithm is much more advantageous for those songs which are searched more than any other song, this can be said so because a song which is searched more number of times will be on higher position in database and would be easily retrieved [24] as compared to other songs and also it will be retrieved early. So, there is an advantage of this algorithm that if a song has been searched [25, 26] more number of times it would be retrieved more rapidly.

6. Experimental Results

We evaluate our hash count scheme in search algorithm by generating about 5,00,000 fingerprints from over 700 songs and 1500 queries are generated by selecting a 3 second clip in any random order. We have taken into account a generalized dataset from marsyas.info which consists of 700 audio tracks each 30 seconds long. It contains 7 genres, each represented by 100 tracks. The tracks are all 22050Hz Mono 16-bit audio files in .wav format. Experimental results show that searching a song with respect to its hash count reduces much time as compared to Haitsma and Kalker method. Table 1 shows searching time in seconds taken by both the methods. There is a significant amount of improvement in time by the proposed algorithm.

Table 1: Comparison of both the Methods

Number of Elements	Time Taken in Seconds		Difference of the time taken by both algorithm
	Haitsma and Kalker Method	Hybrid(Proposed) Method	
100	0.0135	0.0127	0.0008
150	0.0150	0.0142	0.0008
200	0.0153	0.0145	0.0008
250	0.0159	0.0133	0.0026
300	0.0160	0.0146	0.0014
350	0.0161	0.0157	0.0004
400	0.0164	0.0157	0.0007
450	0.0165	0.0162	0.0003
500	0.0169	0.0166	0.0003
550	0.0172	0.0168	0.0004
600	0.0174	0.0171	0.0003
650	0.0178	0.0175	0.0003
700	0.0181	0.0179	0.0002

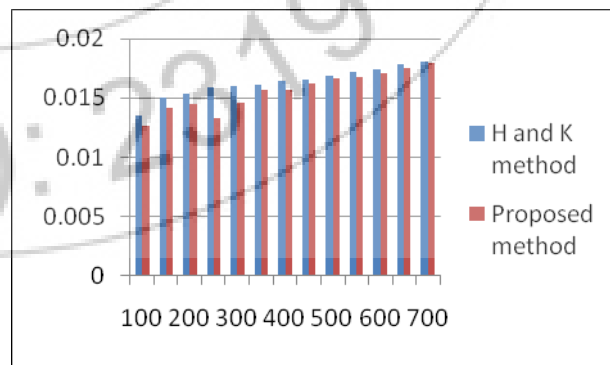


Figure 5: shows the results in the form of graphical representation
x-axis- No. of elements/songs in database
y-axis- Time taken in seconds

Table 2: Efficiency Calculation

Number of Elements	Difference of the time taken by both algorithm	Efficiency (in percentage)
100	0.0008	5.9
150	0.0008	5.3
200	0.0008	5.2
250	0.0026	16.3
300	0.0014	8.7
350	0.0004	2.4
400	0.0007	4.2
450	0.0003	1.8
500	0.0003	1.7
550	0.0004	2.3
600	0.0003	1.7
650	0.0003	1.6
700	0.0002	1.1
Average overall Efficiency Gain*		4.4

*Average overall Efficiency Gain can be defined as the average efficiency i.e. sum of all the efficiencies divided by the total number of iterations which in our case is 4.4 % which means our method is 4.4 % more efficient than the old technique (Haitsma and Kalker technique).

7. Future Scope

In this paper an alternative searching technique has been presented. When compared with the old technique a significant amount of decrease in time was achieved. On one hand the use of hash count decreased the amount of time to search and on the other hand it marginally increased the disk i/o for this extra operation. This algorithm has a great scope and can be used in military as well as telecommunication departments giving its good utilization and use by making it for speech datasets and for various other sound formats also in order to widen its scope of use.

8. Conclusion

In this paper we propose a new indexing scheme for large audio fingerprint databases. This indexing scheme theoretically and practically provides good results for large databases and achieves an overall gain of 4.4 % on Haitsma and Kalker technique. This scheme is somehow more complex than Haitsma and Kalker algorithm as it introduces an additional concept of hashing and bunching but it sheds out advantages with respect to speed and accuracy as well which makes it useful method for audio fingerprinting.

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