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Confidential Transmission of Lossless Visual Data:
Experimental Modelling and Optimization

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1. Introduction

- Large amounts of visual content in worldwide distributed database infrastructures
 - urgent need to provide and protect the confidentiality of sensitive visual data when transmitting it over networks of any kind



1. Introduction

- Focused on computationally efficient schemes in a lossless online scenario
 - » Compression factor for visual data
 - lossless formats: 2 to 3
 - lossy formats: > 100
 - » Reasons why lossless formats may be preferable
 - Loss of image data is not acceptable
 - Low processing power or limited energy resources
 - High bandwidth at the communication channel

1. Introduction

- Tried to optimize the interplay of the 3 main steps
 - » Compression
 - » Encryption
 - » Transmission
- Minimal computational effort and energy consumption

1. Introduction

- Modelled costs based on exemplary experimental data
- Derived a cost optimal strategy in the target environment

Is the compression stage required in any case to result in an overall cost optimal scheme or not?

- Additionally we considered ‚Selective Encryption‘
 - » To trade off computational complexity for security



1.1. Selective Encryption

- Application specific data structures are exploited to create more efficient encryption systems
- Protect the visually most important parts of an image
- Relying on a secure but slow ,classical‘ cipher



2. Basic Building Blocks

- The processing chain has always a fixed order
- Compression has to be performed prior to encryption
 - » statistical properties of encrypted data prevent compression from being applied successfully
 - » reduced amount of data decreases the computational demand
- Hardware platform:
 - » 996 MHz Intel Pentium III
 - » 128 MB RAM
- Network
 - » 100 MBit/s Ethernet



2.1. Lossless Compression

- JBIG reference implementation in a selective mode
 - » compression of a different amount of bitplanes of 8 bpp greyscale images
 - » scheme ranges from applying no compression at all to compressing a certain number of bitplanes
 - started from the MSB bitplane

- instead of applying JBIG to all bitplanes JPEG 2000 in lossless mode was used
 - » compression results were better as compared to full JBIG coding

2.1. Lossless Compression

- 20 test images in 2 sizes
- obtained files sizes and compression timings were averaged for
 - » 512 x 512
 - » 1280 x 1024
- approximate interpolation of the measurement points by a 6th order polynomial
- resulted in the following formulas

$$t = 7.32x^6 - 90.89x^5 + 463.02x^4 - 1237.72x^3 + 1829.28x^2 - 1417.22x + 450.73$$

$$t = -0.07x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 562.09x + 841.21$$

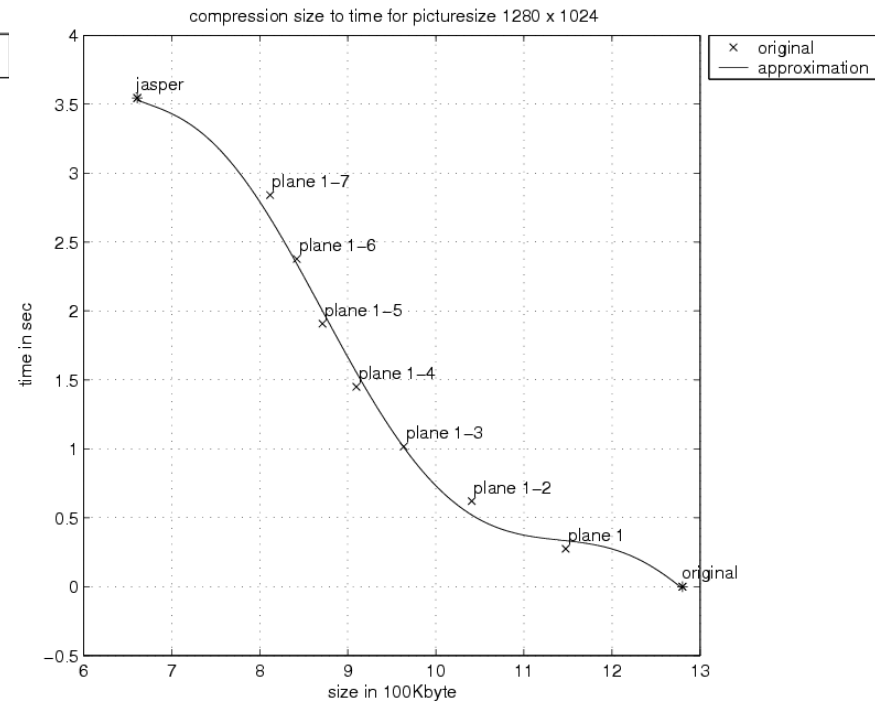
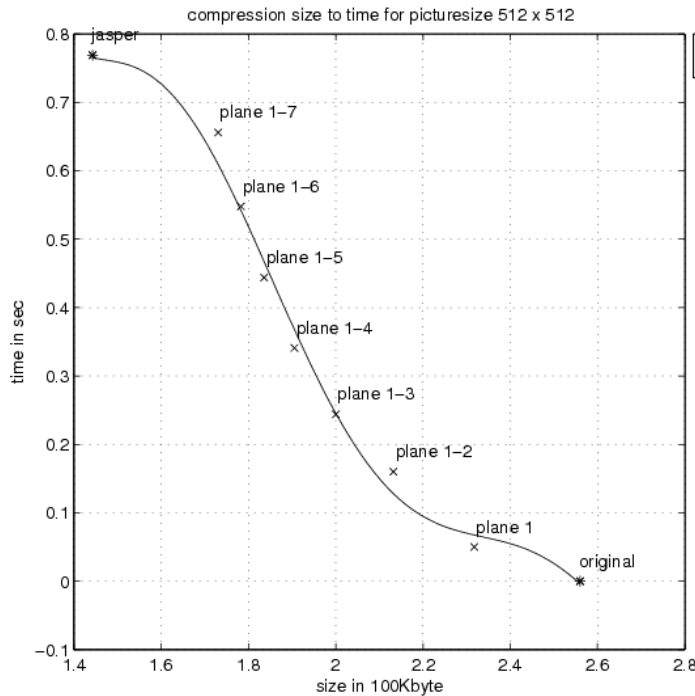
x ... resulting data size in 100 KByte after compression

t ... compression time in seconds



2.1. Lossless Compression

Tradeoff between compression timings and the resulting data amount after compression



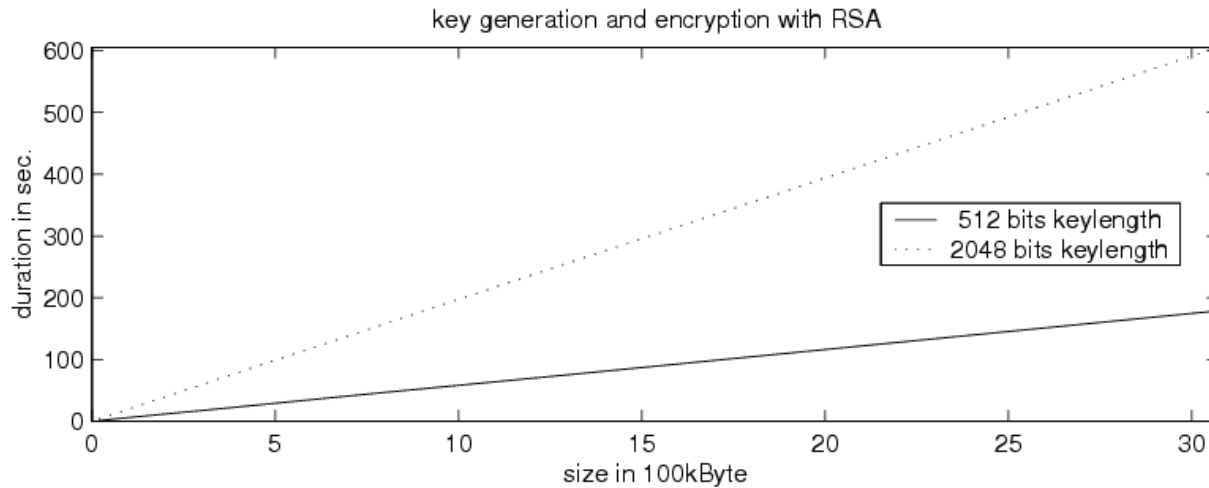
→ decreasing compression time for increasing data size

2.2. Encryption

- C++ RSA and C++ AES implementation
- RSA - for reasons of obtaining a rich variety in the overall behaviour of the processing chain
 - » In practice you hardly use public-key systems to encrypt visual data
 - » Time demand of RSA is several orders of magnitude higher as compared to AES
 - » Performance differences among encryption schemes with the exhibited magnitude could result from applying hardware or software based approaches in real-life systems

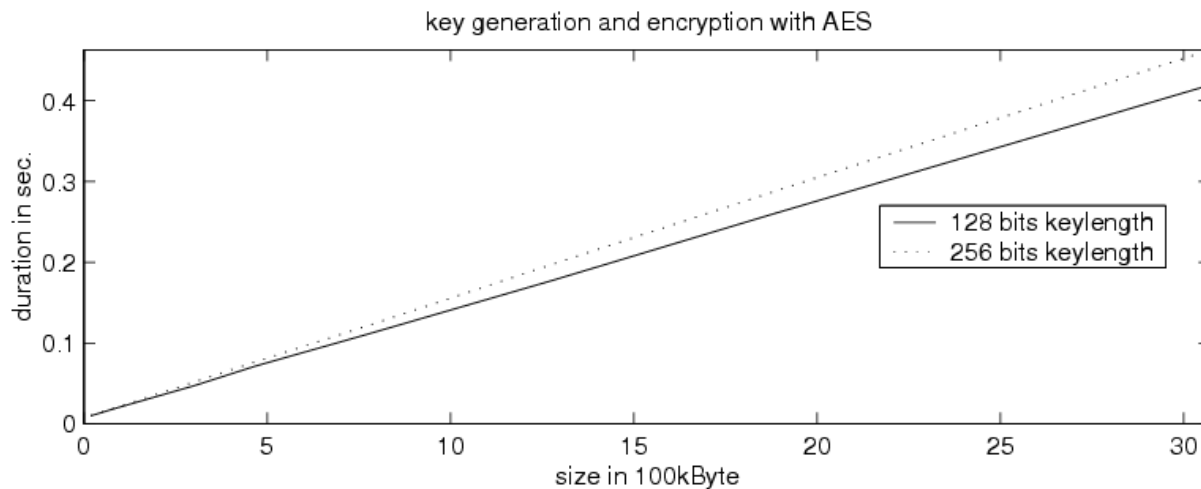
2.2. Encryption

Amount of data encrypted in relation to processing time



$t = 5.81x$ (RSA 512bit)

$t = 19.72x$ (RSA 2048bit)



$t = 0.01x$ (AES 128bit)

$t = 0.02x$ (AES 256bit)

→ purely linear behaviour

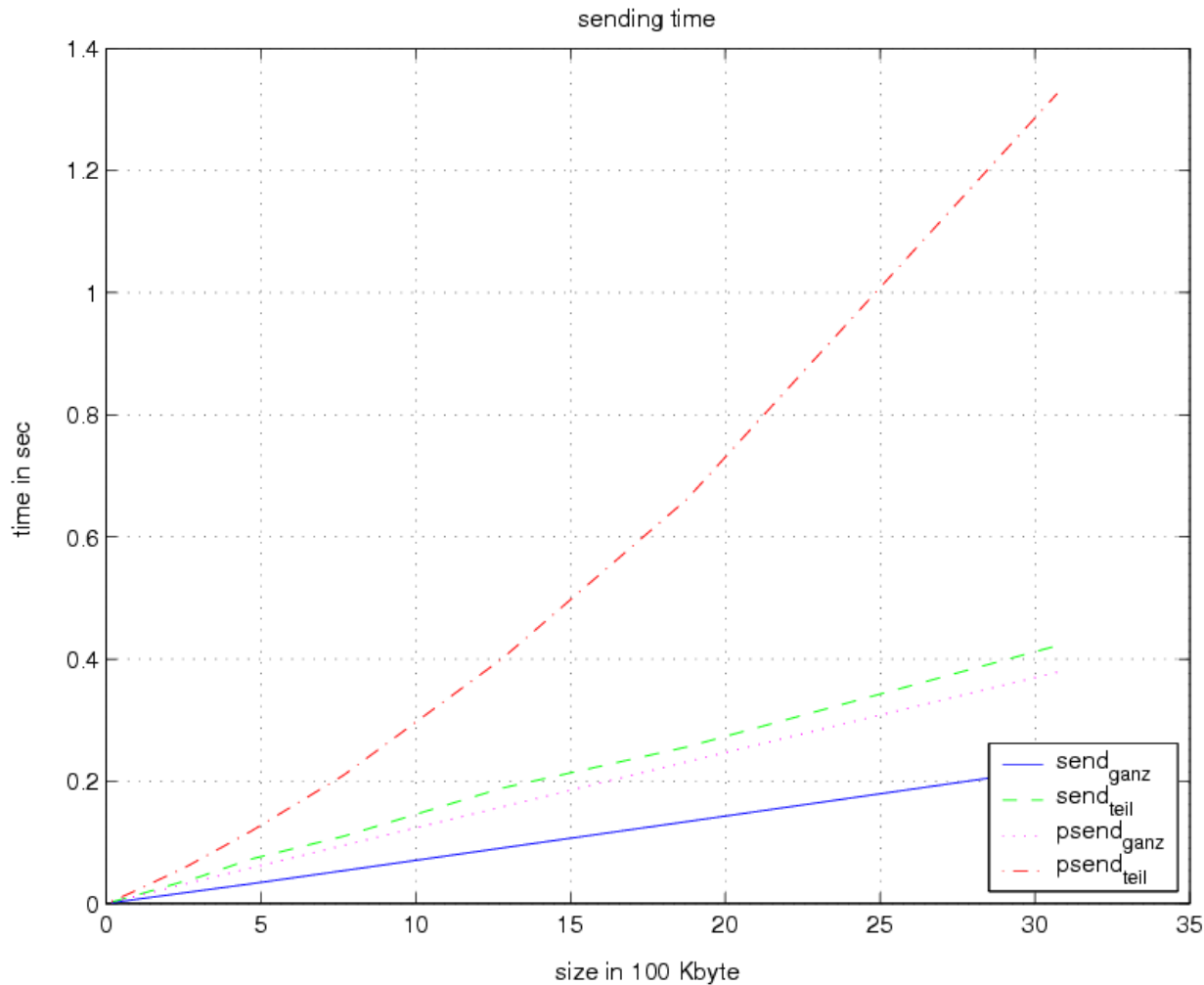
2.3. Transmission

- Message passing library PVM
- 4 different modes
 - » `pvm_send` - sends a message stored in the active send buffer to the PVM process identified by `tid`
 - » `pvm_psend` - takes a pointer to a buffer `buf`, its length `len`, and its data type `datatype` and sends this data directly to the PVM task identified by `tid`
 - » `ganz` - data is sent as a whole block
 - » `teil` – data is sent in pieces of 1 KByte
- Again data size is varied and the time required to transmit the data is measured and fitted by a polynomial



2.3. Transmission

Transmission time related to data size



$t = 0.01x$ (*pvm_send, teil*)
 $t = 0.02x$ (*pvm_psend, teil*)
 $t = 0.007x$ (*pvm_send, ganz*)
 $t = 0.01x$ (*pvm_psend, ganz*)

2.3. Transmission

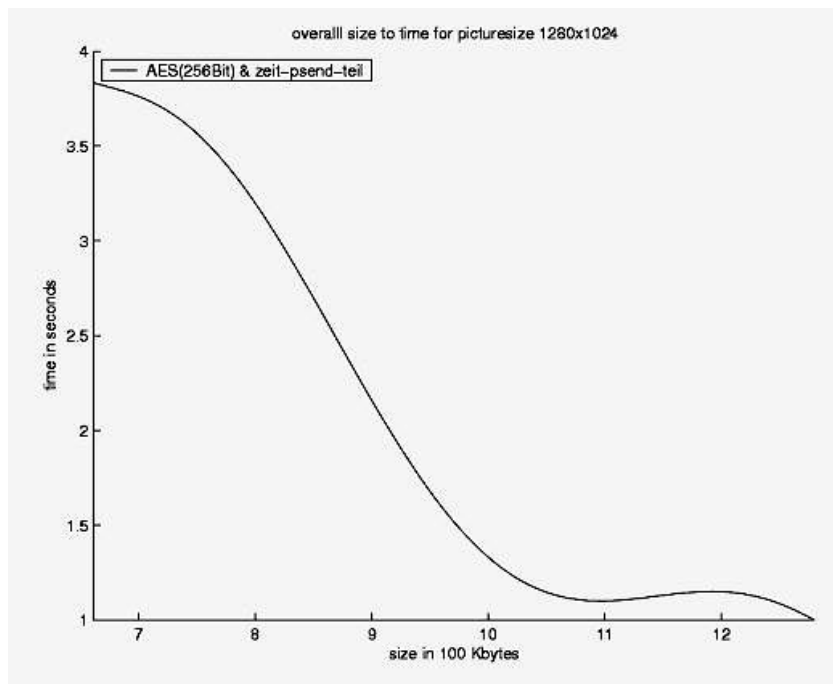
- AES encryption and transmission operate on a similar level of time demand
- RSA is much more expensive
- As expected both processing stages exhibit linear behaviour

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

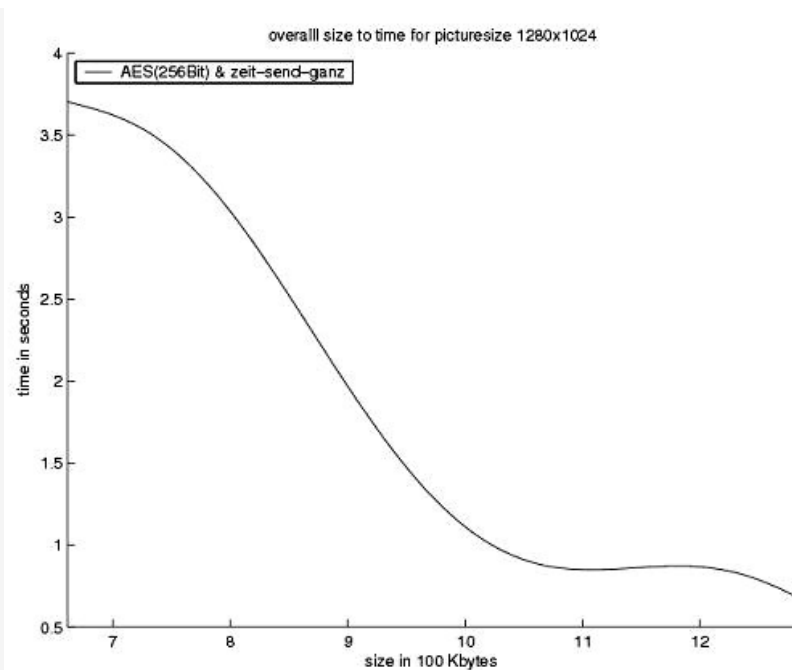
- Processing chain: compression – encryption – transmission has a fixed order but keeps a certain scope in the degree of execution (e.g. SE)
- Constrictions:
 - » Level of complexity (compression)
 - » Level of security (encryption)
 - » Limited transmission bandwidth (transmission)
- Goal: Identify the cost optimal way (in terms of processing time) to operate the processing chain

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- First configuration
Image: 1280 x 1024 image
Cipher: AES



(a) AES(256) with PVM mode psend_teil



(b) AES(256) with PVM mode send_ganz

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- First configuration

Image: 1280 x 1024 image

Cipher: AES

» *Overall behaviour are almost identical to the approximated interpolation of the modeling equation*

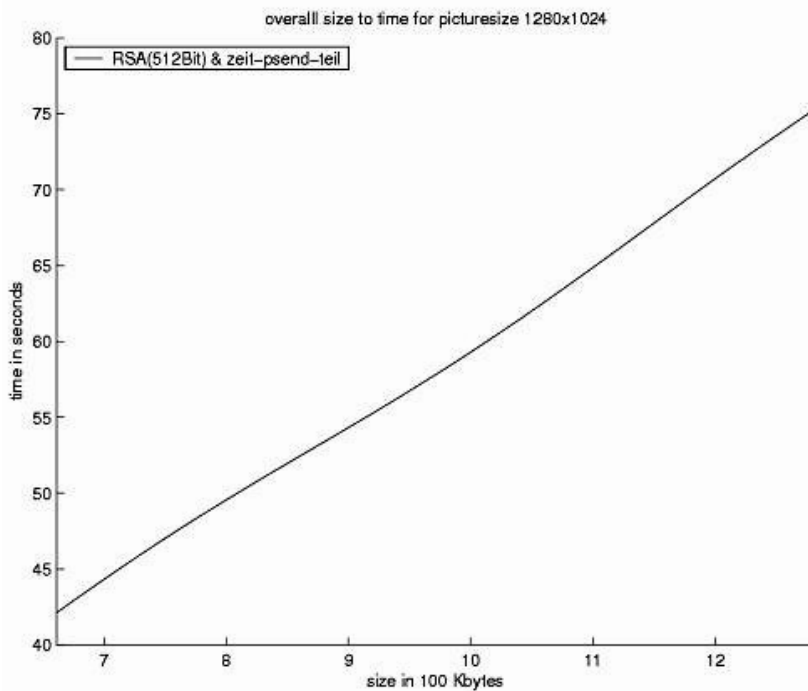
(a) $t = -0.07x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 562.05x + 841.21$

(b) $t = -0.07x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 562.07x + 841.21$

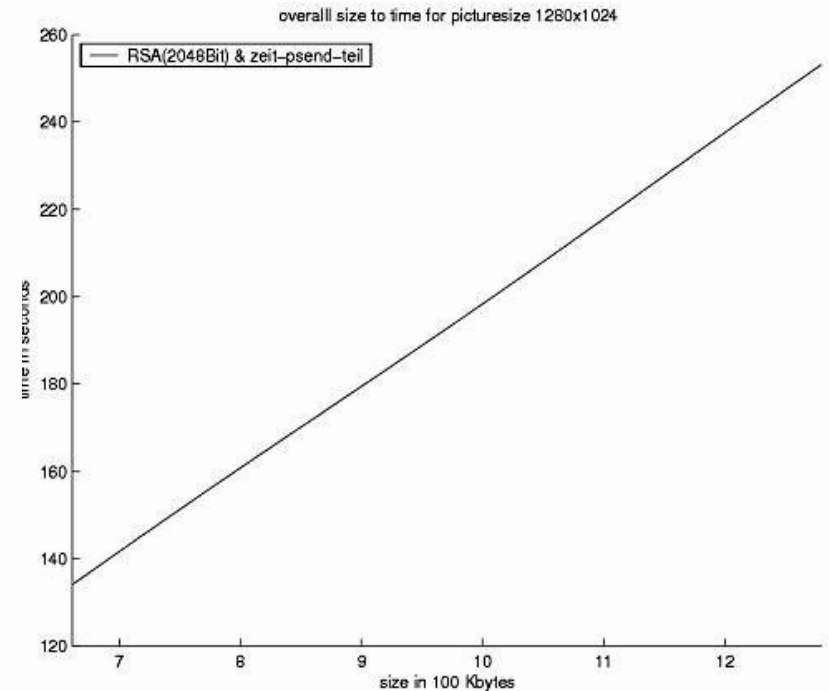
==> Optimal operation mode: ***No compression at all***

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- Second configuration
Image: 1280 x 1024 image
Cipher: RSA



(a) RSA (512) with PVM mode psend_teil



(b) RSA(2048) with PVM mode send_ganz

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- Second configuration
Image: 1280 x 1024 image
Cipher: RSA

» *Curves monotonically increasing (unaffected by key size)*

(a) $t = -0.07x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 556.26x + 841.21$

(b) $t = -0.07x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 542.35x + 841.21$

==> Optimal operation mode: ***Maximal compression***

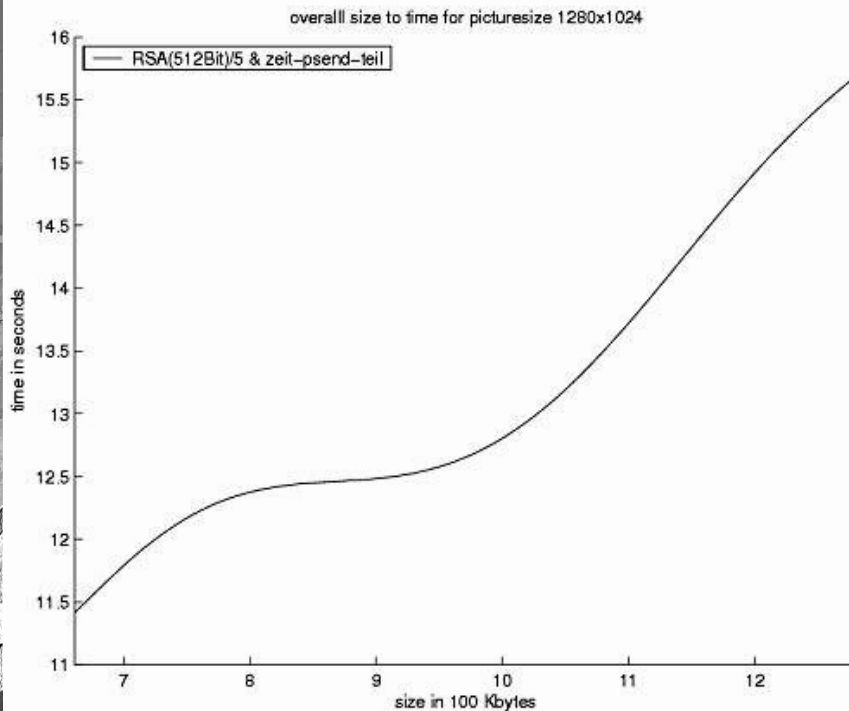


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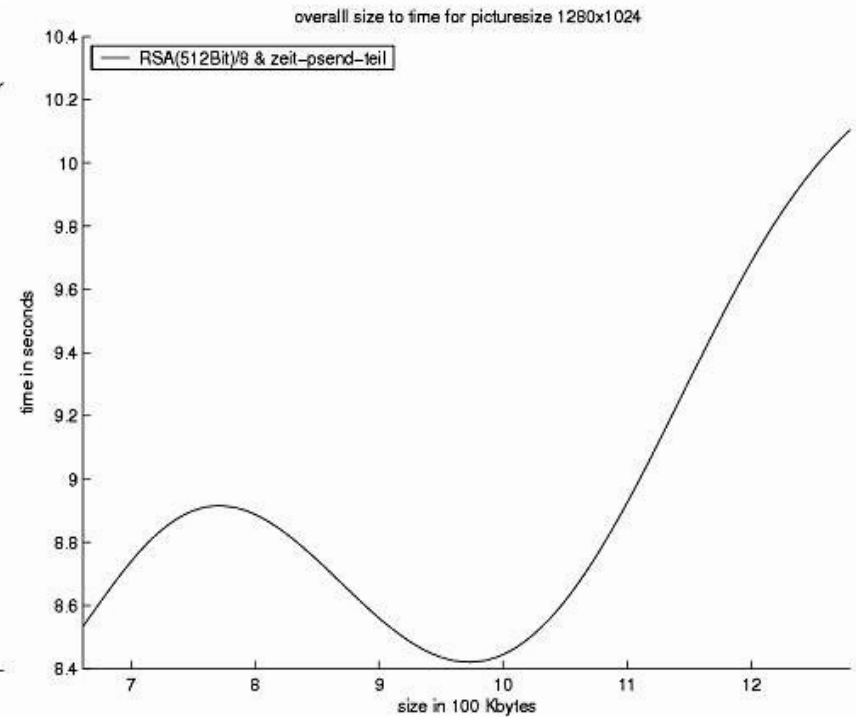
- Third configuration – Selective Encryption

Image: 1280 x 1024 image

Cipher: RSA (512bit key)



(a) 20% encrypted with mode psend_teil



(b) 12.5% encrypted with mode send_ganz

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- Third configuration – Selective Encryption

Image: 1280 x 1024 image

Cipher: RSA (512bit key)

» *Curve b (12.5% encryption) showing local minimum*

$$(b) \quad t = 0.71x^5 + 1.73x^4 - 21.99x^3 + 153.94x^2 - 561.34x + 841.21$$

$$t' = 3.55x^4 + 6.91x^3 - 65.96x^2 + 307.88x - 561.34$$

$$x_1 = 7.72$$

$$x_2 = \underline{9.71}$$

In the area of interest [6.6, 13]

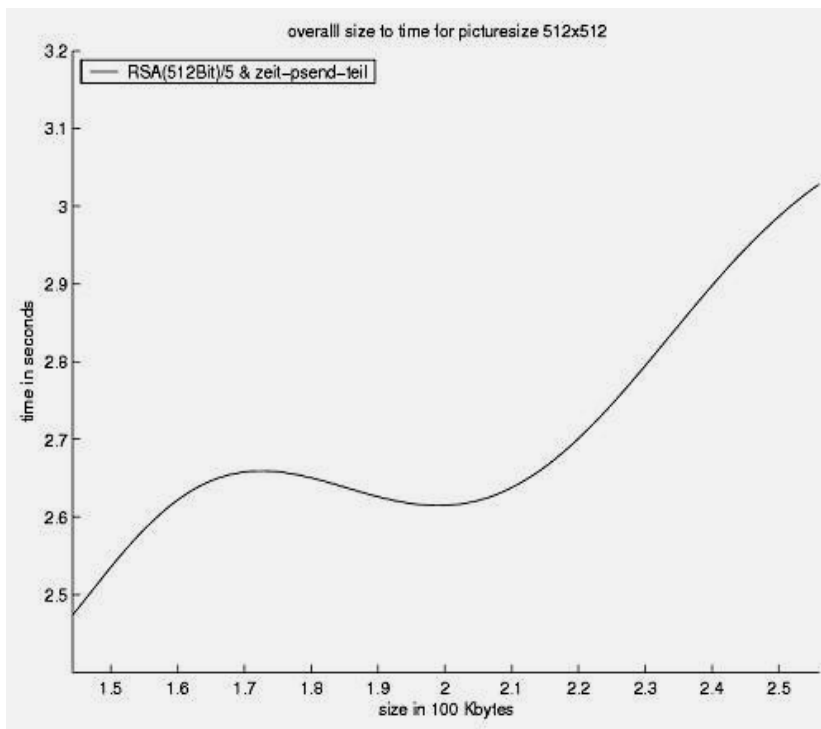
==> Optimal operation mode: **Compression of 3 out of 8 bitplanes with JBIG**

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

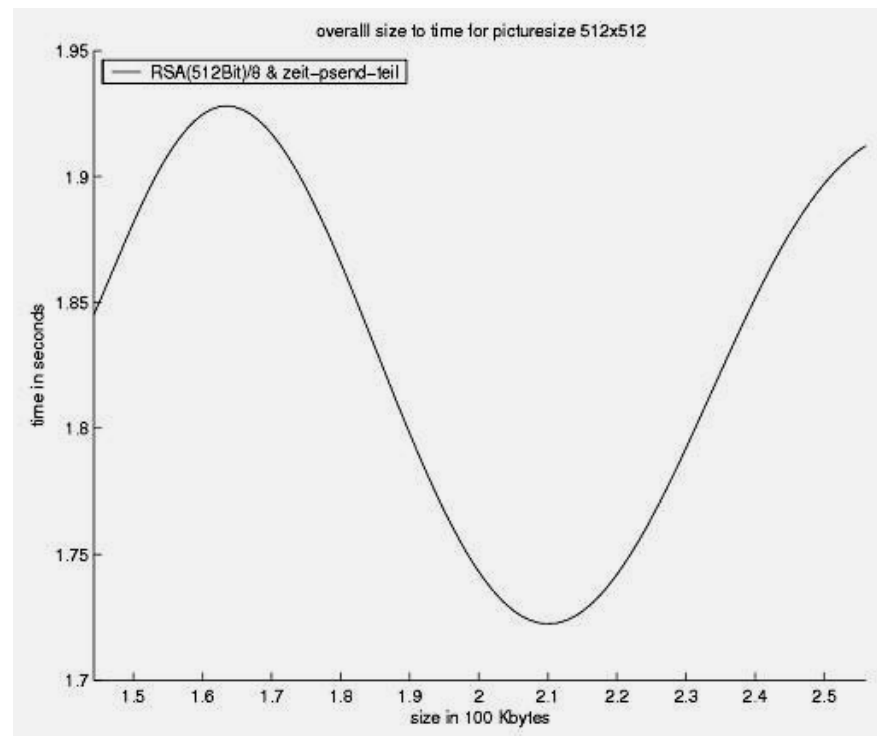
- Fourth configuration – Selective Encryption

Image: 512 x 512 image

Cipher: RSA (512bit key)



(a) 20% encrypted with mode psend_teil



(b) 12.5% encrypted with mode send_ganz

3. Cost Optimal Configuration of Confidential Visual Data Transmission

- Third configuration – Selective Encryption

Image: 512 x 512 image

Cipher: RSA (512bit key)

» *Curve b (12.5% encryption) showing local minimum*

$$(b) \quad t = 7.32x^6 - 90.89x^5 + 463.02x^4 + 1237.72x^3 + 1829.28x^2 - 1416.47x + 450.73$$

$$t' = 43.93x^5 - 454.43x^4 + 1852.1x^3 - 3713.16x^2 + 3658.56x - 1416.47$$

$$x_1 = 1.64$$

$$x_2 = \underline{2.10}$$

In the area of interest [1.4, 2.6]

==> Optimal operation mode: **Compression of 2 out of 8 bitplanes with JBIG**

4. Conclusion

- Introduced:
 - » Confidential transmission of visual data in lossless format
- Investigated:
 - » A model of the costs in the 3 main steps
compression – encryption – transmission
- Depending on the type of encryption involved, the optimal configuration of the entire system may be to operate:
 - » Without compression
 - » Full compression
 - » Partial compression

5. Future Work

- Inclusion of constraints alleged by the target environment into the optimization:
 - » Limited bandwidth
 - » Certain level of security in selective encryption
- Modeling the dependency between selective compression and selective encryption

***Thanks for your
attention***

