ABSTRACT
By analyzing and comparing several fingerprint matching methodologies, we found that every single method will have the advantage in providing security as well as will face some bottleneck problems as drawback. This paper presents a survey on the improvement in each fingerprint matching algorithm. The experiments performed on real-world applications provides the result that any fingerprint matching algorithm which derived from the previous paper will have some 20% of enhancement in it. The drawbacks on each paper and the method to solve that will be discussed as a survey in this paper.

INTRODUCTION
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