

IMAGE STEGANOGRAPHY

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Introduction

- Steganography is the art of concealing information within other non-secret data.
- With increase in computational power everyday I think encryption is becoming obsolete and attacks on encrypted data have increased.
- Even with the rise in computational power if we turn to steganography the attacks might be minimized because the attacker might no be able to distinguish between a normal image and an image containing sensitive data.
- Sensitive data might be system passwords or keys, etc.

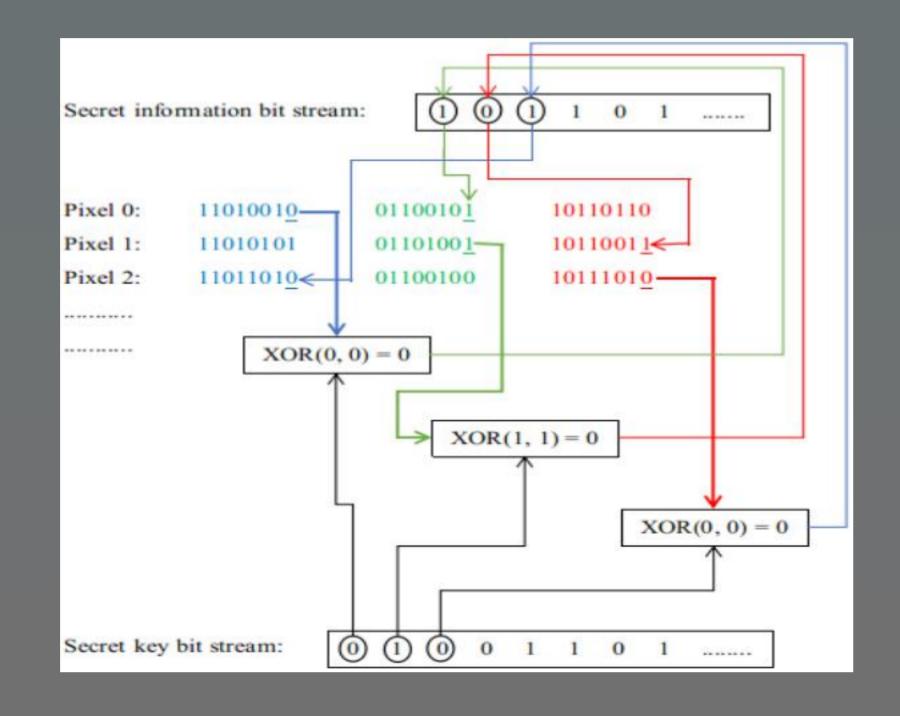
Methods & Materials

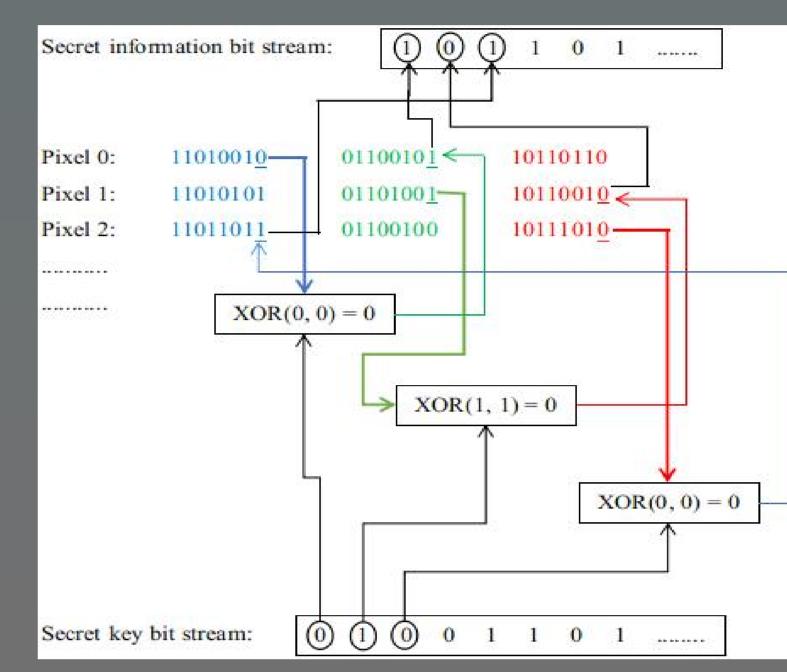
For my project, I introduced a secret key so that I can protect the secret information. I take the binary representation of the encrypted secret information and then modify some of the LSB of one byte per pixel inside the cover image. In this method, I used the following formula:

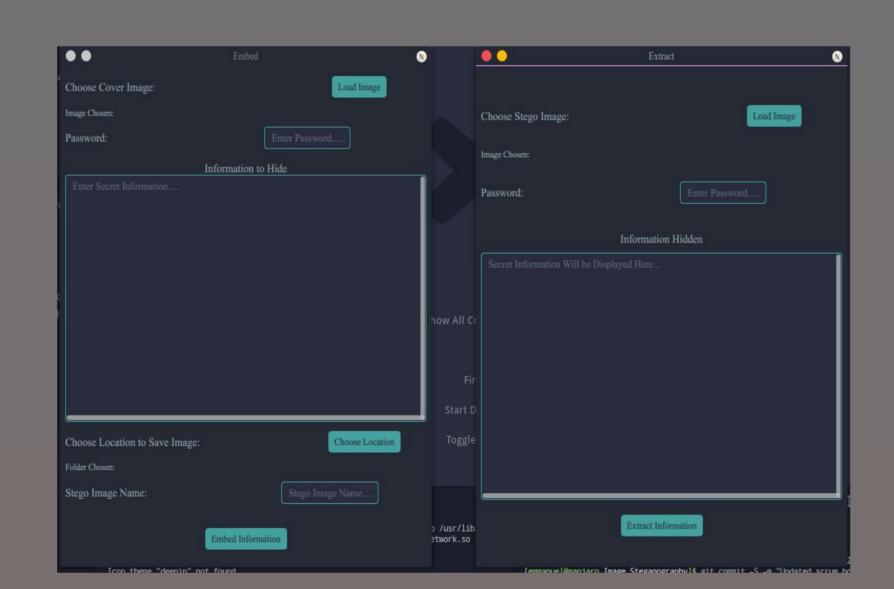
Encrypted Secret
Information + Secret Key
+ Cover Image = Stego
Image

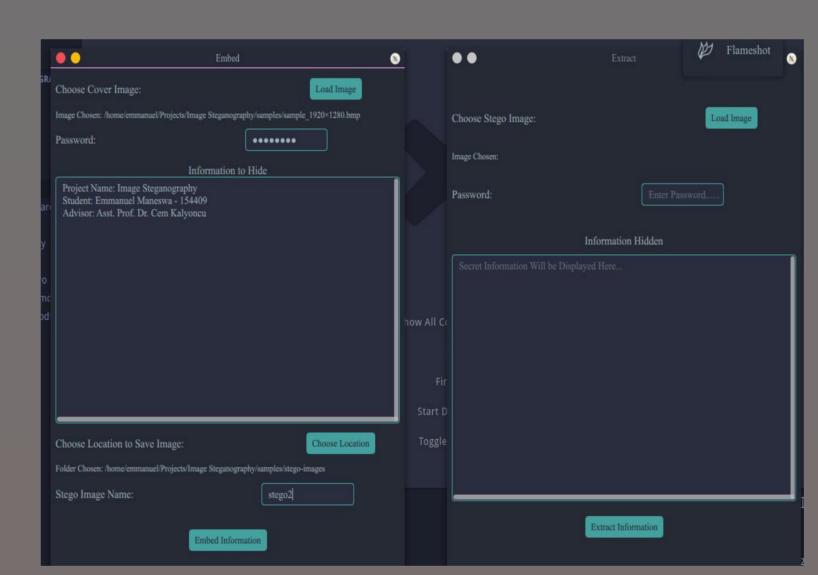
C++, JavaScript, QML

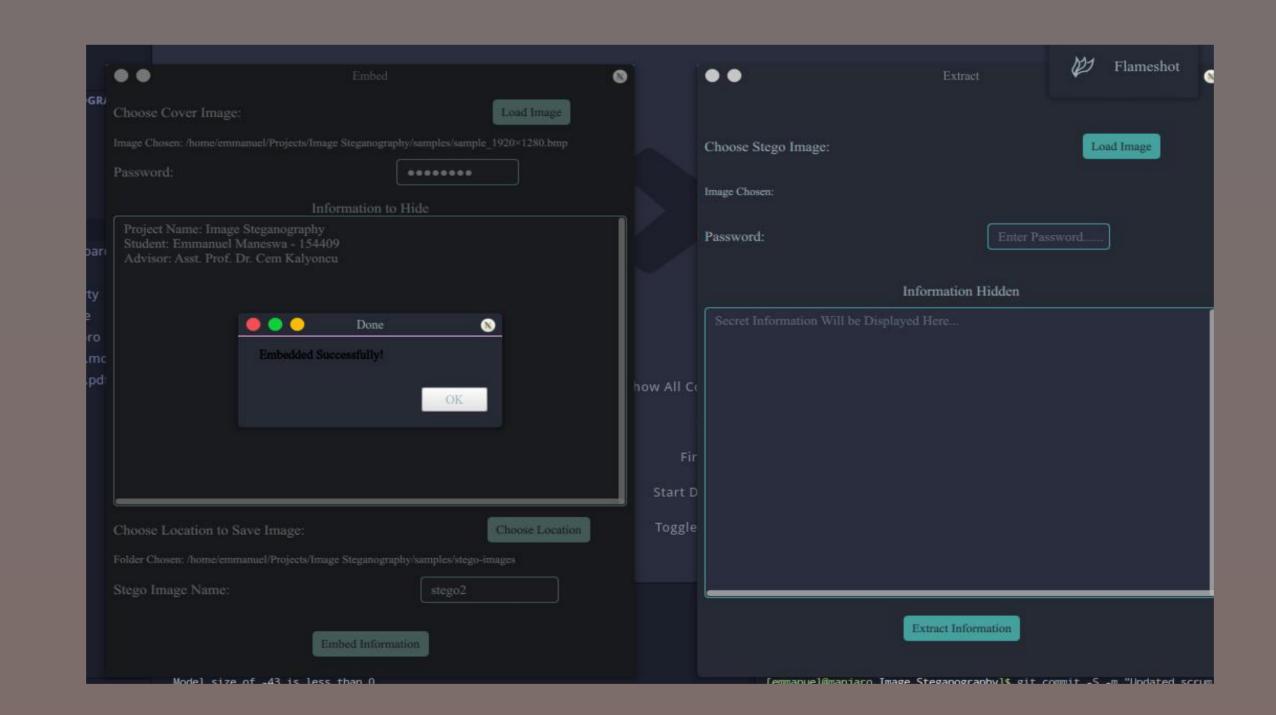
Embedding Process Cover Image Embedding Algorithm Stego Image Stego Image

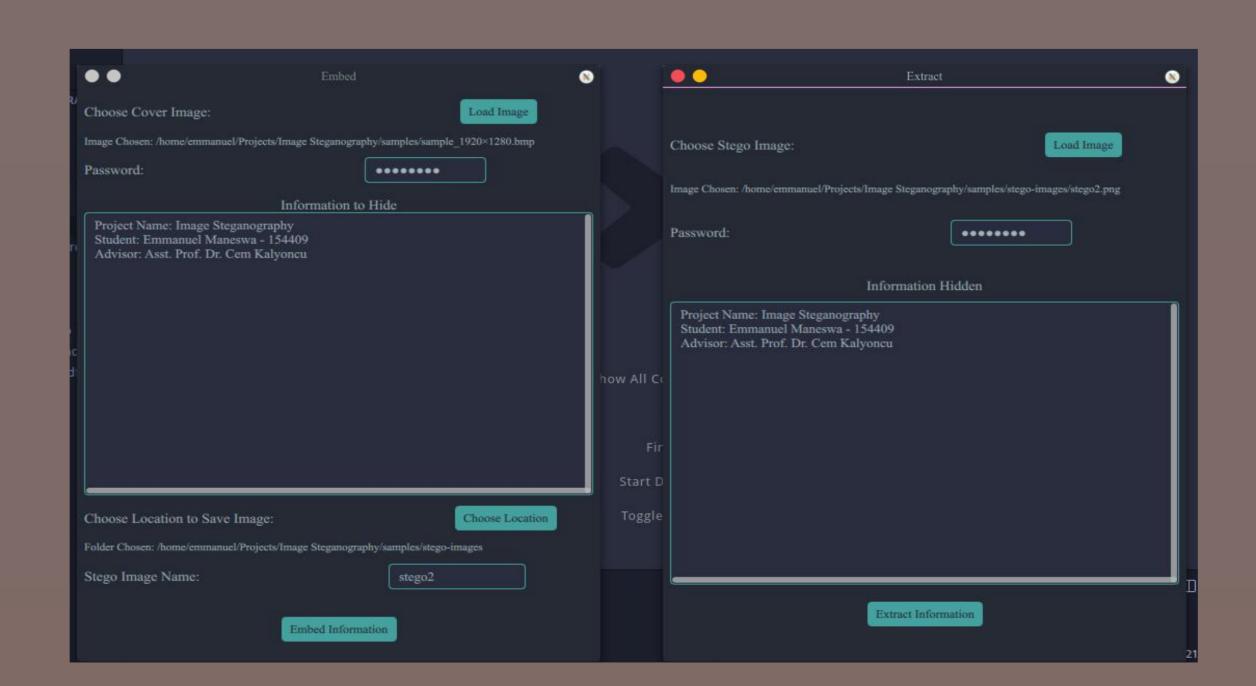












Conclusions

- The main benefit of this project is when you try to compare it to
 Cryptography. The
 Cryptography and
 Steganography are the two different aspect of the same situation.
 Cryptography encrypts the message make it complex whereas
 Steganography hides traces of the message.
 text would go here.
- In the proposed technique of this project I added a secret key into the basic concept of the LSB algorithm. This secret key is beneficial to make message hidden much more difficult to extract without the secret key.
- In the proposed method, since I use only the LSB of one color per pixel, The changes done to the image are kept to a minimum amount. This gives the stego-image a lower distortion.

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