

Image Encryption Tool Report

Project Title:

Simple Image Encryption Tool Using Pixel Manipulation

Overview:

This project demonstrates a basic image encryption and decryption tool using pixel manipulation techniques. It supports operations like swapping pixel values and applying simple mathematical operations to modify pixel intensity, offering a basic level of security for image data.

Key Features:

- **Pixel Value Manipulation:** Adds or subtracts a fixed key value to each pixel.
 - **Pixel Swapping:** Simple row inversion to change pixel positions.
 - **Encryption & Decryption:** Ensures that the original image can be restored after decryption.
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Technologies Used:

- Python
 - OpenCV (cv2)
 - NumPy
 - Matplotlib (optional for visualization)
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How It Works:

1. **Encryption:**
2. Each pixel value (R, G, B) is incremented by a key and wrapped around using modulo 256 to stay within valid pixel value limits.
3. **Decryption:**
4. The encrypted pixel values are decremented by the same key and wrapped using modulo 256 to retrieve the original image.
5. **Pixel Swapping (Optional):**

6. Pixels can be rearranged (e.g., flipping vertically) for an additional layer of obfuscation.
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Example Steps:

1. Load an image (e.g., `sample_image.jpg`).
 2. Apply encryption with a chosen key (e.g., `key = 100`).
 3. Save the encrypted image.
 4. Decrypt the image using the same key.
 5. Optionally, apply pixel swapping and save the swapped image.
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Applications:

- Basic data protection for images.
 - Teaching and learning cryptographic principles.
 - Lightweight image obfuscation.
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Limitations:


- This is not a secure encryption standard for sensitive data.
 - Intended for educational and demonstration purposes.
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