Visual Cryptography & Secret Secret Message Sharing

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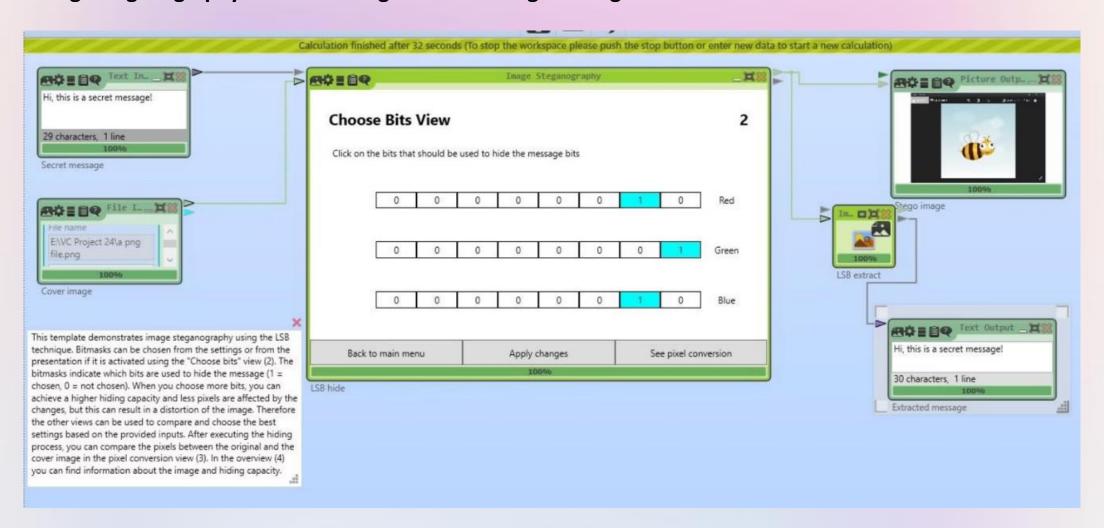
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Introduction

Motivation To explore and enhance data hiding techniques to improve security. Cryptography vs. Steganography Cryptography encrypts data to prevent unauthorized access. Steganography hides data within other files to conceal its existence. Idea Combining visual cryptography with image steganography to secure and conceal info. **Outcome** Improved security and concealment of data through innovative techniques.

Image Steganography

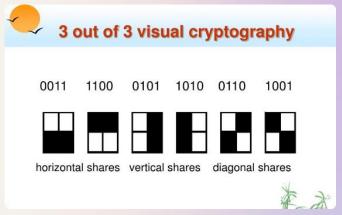
Image steganography involves hiding data within digital images.



Techniques: LSB (Least Significant Bit) method, masking, filtering, and transformations.

Examples: Hiding text or images within other images by altering the least significant bits.

Previous Work





Dividing an image into multiple shares using visual cryptography.



Survey Reports

Research of VC methods, Naor and Samir, Kinger's EVC, Binary AOHs, Ross and Othman.



Image Restoration

Techniques to retrieve and restore hidden data from steganographic images.



Previous Drawback

Limited capacity and detectability of hidden data.

Implementation



Image and Message Message Input

- User provides image.
- User provides message(secret code).



Encryption Process

- Image convert in grey scale.
- Generate multiple shared images.



Decryption Process

- Each pixel combines by XOR operation.
- Using Overlapping method reconstruct image and hide message.



Output Visualization

- Displays the reconstructed image.
- Display secret message.

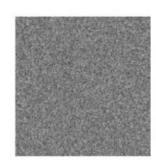
Enter the number of shares: 5
Enter the message to hide in the shares: UIT BU
5 shares generated successfully with embedded message: 'UIT BU'.

Input → *Encryption* → *Decryption* → *Output*

Reconstructed image saved as 'constructed.png'. Hidden Message: UIT BU



Original image



Share Patch



Reconstructed image

Real Life Scenarios

1 Intelligence Agencies

Transmit confidential info securely via hidden messages in images.

3 Digital Watermarking

Protect creative works with invisible ownership proof in images.

Journalism & Whistleblowing

Embed critical info in images to protect sources and content.

7 Anti-Counterfeiting

Embed identifiers in product images to verify authenticity.

Corporate Data Protection

Safeguard sensitive business info by embedding it in shared images.

Personal Privacy

Share private messages in personal photos for secure communication.

6 Medical Data Security

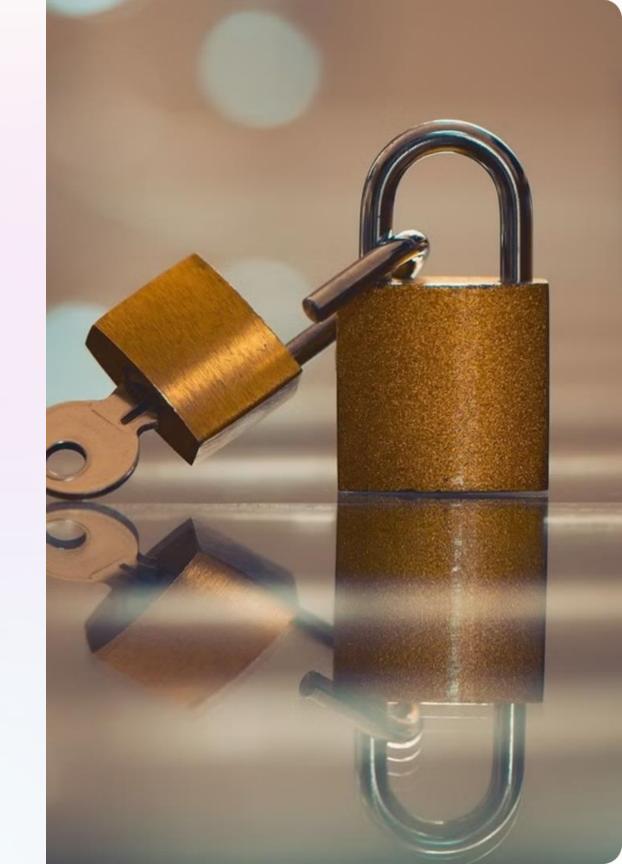
Securely transmit patient data by embedding it in medical images.

8 Educational Institutions

Protect sensitive data by embedding it in shared documents.

Future Improvements

- 1. Optimize algorithms to embed larger messages without affecting image quality.
- 2. Reconstruct original image with fewer shares.



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Q&A

Ask us anything. We're here to help with any questions you might have. Whether it's about the presentation, the technology behind it, or anything else, feel free to ask. We'll do our best to provide clear and helpful answers.

Thank You