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A NOBLE APPROACH OF HIDING TEXT AND IMAGE TYPE SECRET
MESSAGE USING SYMMETRIC CRYPTOGRAPHY WITH LSB TECHNIQUE

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Abstract

The proposed idea presents information concealing idea with the mix of cryptography and steganography procedure. Proposed ideas are supporting verification, secrecy and somewhat honesty security essential. To accomplish these securities chief proposed idea apply symmetric cryptography system to help privacy and validation security foremost and incompletely trustworthiness security key bolstered through steganography procedure. Proposed idea depends on security foremost where encryption of the emit data at first stage and scrambled discharge data cover up in next stage so it is twofold security insurance on single discharge data. Exhibited Steganography idea uses, picture or content as the information, at first it encoded and packed (if Image) through correlation with minimal aggregate size picture after this compacted data scrambled through symmetric cryptography procedure with the assistance of 128 bits private key to created encoded data, this private key will share through private channel amongst sender and beneficiary and finally it insert scrambled data in the bit-planes of the cover picture by utilizing slightest noteworthy piece (LSB) of standard steganography method. To accomplish high security proposed steganography strategy utilized an arbitrary number era (RAND) procedure which will choose irregular LSB from cover picture. Displayed comes about are demonstrating the execution and viability of the exhibited proposed take a shot at the premise on Peek flag to commotion proportion (PSNR), connection and entropy.

Keyword: - Steganography, Security, Encryption, Decryption, Internet

Introduction

A data concealing framework has been produced for secrecy. Notwithstanding, in this section, consider a picture document as a cover picture to stow away discharge message. The execution of framework will just concentrate on Proposed Encryption Process as another method of symmetric cryptography and Least Significant Bit (LSB) as one of the steganography procedures as said in beneath (see figure 1). In cryptography proposed encryption and decoding process depend on symmetric cryptography idea. As we realize that symmetric cryptography are speedier as think about lopsided cryptography method. The minimum noteworthy piece (LSB) of a couple or the greater part of the bytes inside a picture is spoiled to a touch of the secret message. Advanced pictures are for the most part two sorts one is 8 bit pictures and second is 24 bit pictures. Three bits of data of every pixel can be included 24 bit pictures pixels, one in every one LSB area of the three 8 bit esteems. Rising or reducing the incentive by modifying the LSB does not adjust the presence of the picture; much so the resultant stego picture looks practically same as the cover picture. In 8 bit pictures, one piece of data can be covered up. In the event that the LSB of the pixel estimation of cover picture $C(i,j)$ is equivalent to the message bit m of mystery back rub to be implanted, $C(i,j)$ stay unaltered; if not, set the LSB of $C(i, j)$ to m . The message installing method is given beneath

$$S(i,j) = C(i,j) - 1, \text{ if } \text{LSB}(C(i,j)) = 1 \text{ and } m = 0$$

$$S(i,j) = C(i,j), \text{ if } \text{LSB}(C(i,j)) = m$$

$$S(i,j) = C(i,j) + 1, \text{ if } \text{LSB}(C(i,j)) = 0 \text{ and } m = 1 \text{ where } \text{LSB}(C(i, j)) \text{ remains for the LSB of cover picture } C(i,j) \text{ and } m \text{ is the following message bit to be embedded. } S(i,j) \text{ is the stego picture}$$

As it is at this point every pixel is finished up of 3 bytes comprising of either a 1 or a 0.

For instance, accept in the event that anyone can shroud a classified message in 3 pixels of a cover picture (24-bitcolors). Expect the first 3 pixels are:[16]

(100000110 10001110 11100011)

(01111110 11011110 11111000)

(10001001 11100101 11101001)

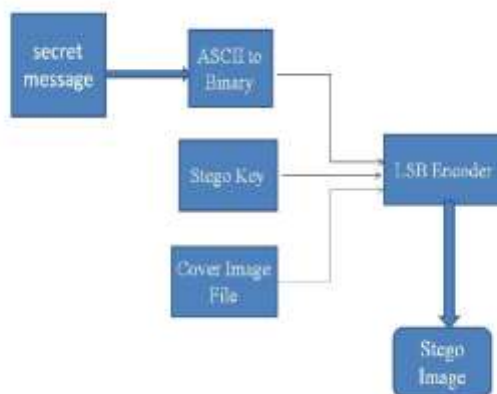
A steganography could shroud the character "K" which has an area 75 in ASCII set and have a twofold portrayal "01001011", by adjusting the channel bits of pixels

.(11101010 11101001 11001010)

(01100110 11001011 11101000)

(11001001 00100100 11101001)

For this case, just a single bits should have been adjusted to include the character effectively. The resultant adjustments that are finished to the slightest noteworthy bits (LSB) are minor to be prestigious by the stripped human eye, so the private message is electively hide. The advantage of LSB strategy is straightforwardness amid implanting and numerous techniques utilize these strategies [10]. LSB inserting strategy additionally permits expansive perceptual



straightforwardness.

Figure 1: Steganography Technique

Proposed Concept: Proposed idea depends on the mix of steganography and cryptography. Figure 3.2 is demonstrating the engineering of proposed idea. At first it check sort of mystery message if discharge message (SM) is content (T) at that point it pass encoding (E) prepare and if mystery message is picture (I) at that point it go to pressure (C) procedure to diminish the measure of the first picture to look after proficiency. This pressure procedure calls wavelet change since wavelet change gives lossless change (LT) where unique data can be returning in the wake of uncompressing. Once the examination done packed data passed go to encoding process. Encoding process call key (K) esteem to deliver figure (CP) esteem these figure esteem go to steganography procedure (ST). In the proposed idea steganography strategy utilizes slightest noteworthy bits (LSB) handle. Minimum noteworthy bits handle select LSB from cover picture (CI) by utilizing randomization (R) prepare and inserted figure an incentive in cover picture to created stego picture (STI).

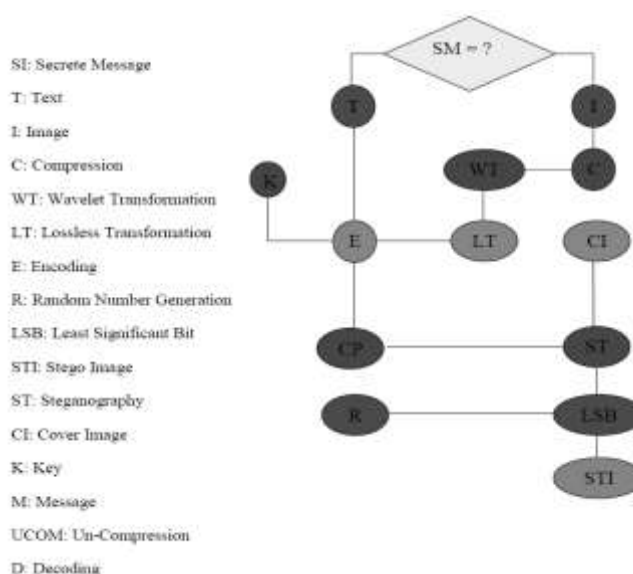


Figure 2: Proposed Encryption Steganography

Figure 3 is showing the architecture of proposed concept at extraction of original information from stego image. Here stego image (STI) pass to steganography technique (ST) where is use using least significant bits (LSB) technique to extract Cover image (CI) and Cipher (CP) value with the help of randomization (R) process. Once cipher value gated

then it passed to decoding (D) process to get original secret message if message is image then it pass to un-comparison (UCOM) process to get original size of the image without loss any information.

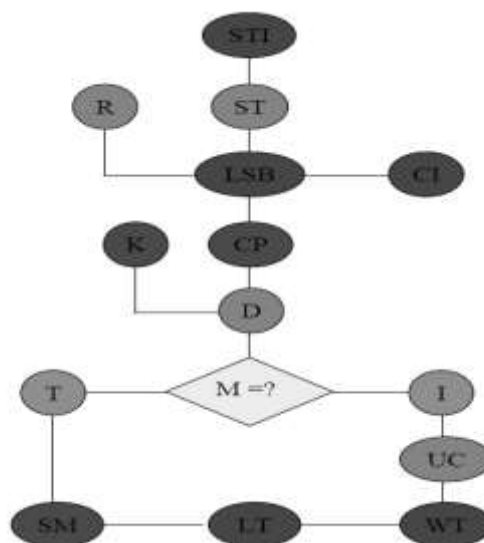


Figure 3: Proposed Decryption Steganography

Proposed Encryption Approach: Proposed encryption approach depends on symmetric cryptography system. In this it is utilizing square figure idea with anchoring piece figure mode where out put of one stage goes as a contribution to the following stage. Proposed encryption handle are utilizing two sensible operation one is XOR and another is correct round move and as we realize that one move operation and one XOR operation work like six emphasis with least time length. Entire encryption handle is 10 round procedures. Figure 3.4 is demonstrating engineering of proposed encryption prepare. This design are indicating finished one round process. All the procedure is characterized well ordered in encryption calculation venture in next area.

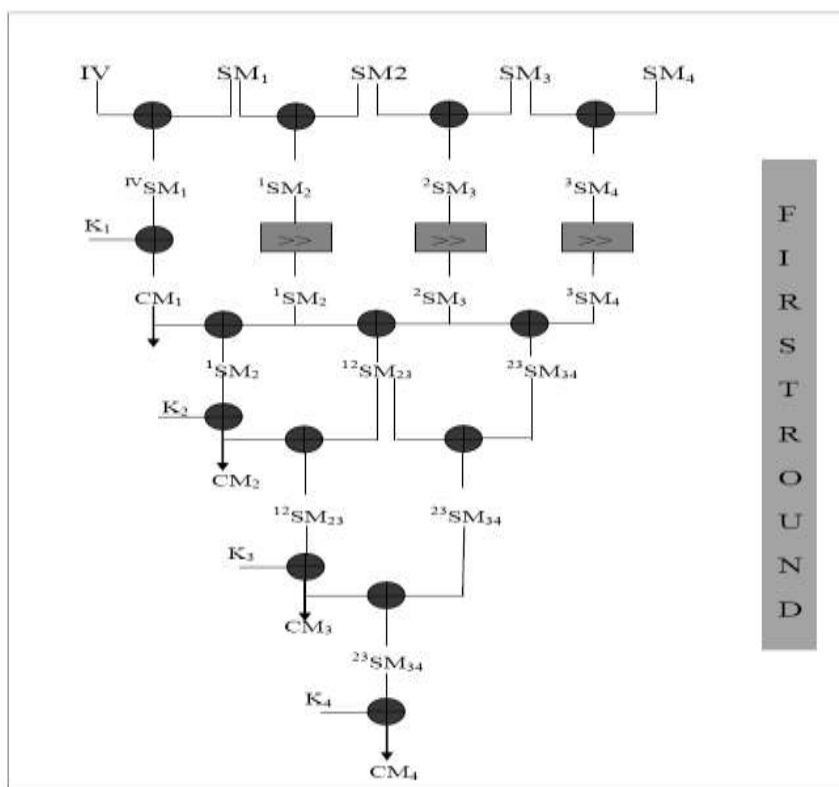


Figure 4: Proposed Encryption Architecture

Encryption_ Algorithm :

1. Input Secret Message (SM) of 128 bits
2. Input Key (K) of 128 bits
3. Input Initialization Vector (IV) of 32 bits
4. Divide Secret Message (SM) into four sub secret message of equal size like (SM₁, SM₂, SM₃, SM₄)
5. Divide Key (K) into four sub key of equal size like (K₁, K₂, K₃, K₄)

6. Perform XOR in following way
 - $IV \text{ XOR } SM_1 = {}^IVSM_1$
 - $SM_1 \text{ XOR } SM_2 = {}^1SM_2$
 - $SM_2 \text{ XOR } SM_3 = {}^2SM_3$
 - $SM_3 \text{ XOR } SM_4 = {}^3SM_4$
 - ${}^IVSM_1 \text{ XOR } K_1 = CM_1$
7. Perform 2 bits right circular shift in following way
 - $(\gg 2) {}^1SM_2 = {}^1SM_2$
 - $(\gg 2) {}^2SM_3 = {}^2SM_3$
 - $(\gg 2) {}^3SM_4 = {}^3SM_4$
8. Perform XOR in following way
 - $CM_1 \text{ XOR } {}^1SM_2 = {}^1SM_2$
 - ${}^1SM_2 \text{ XOR } {}^2SM_3 = {}^{12}SM_{23}$
 - ${}^2SM_3 \text{ XOR } {}^3SM_4 = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - $K_2 \text{ XOR } {}^1SM_2 = CM_2$
 - ${}^{12}SM_{23} \text{ XOR } {}^{23}SM_{34} = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - $CM_2 \text{ XOR } {}^{12}SM_{23} = {}^{12}SM_{23}$
 - $K_3 \text{ XOR } {}^{12}SM_{23} = CM_3$
 - $CM_3 \text{ XOR } {}^{23}SM_{34} = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - $K_4 \text{ XOR } {}^{23}SM_{34} = CM_4$
9. Combine $CM_1, CM_2, CM_3,$ and CM_4 to get Cipher Message (CM)
10. Repeat above step 10 times
11. Exit

Proposed Decryption Approach: Figure 5 is showing architecture of proposed decryption process. In this architecture one round process is shown. All the process is defined step by step in decryption algorithm in next section.

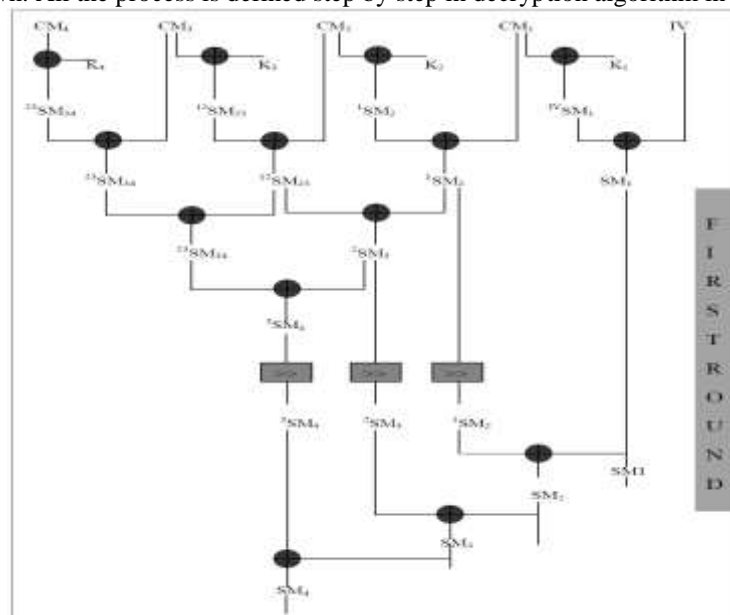


Figure 5: Architecture of Proposed Decryption

Decryption Algorithm:

1. Input Cipher Message (CM) of 128 bits
2. Input Key (K) of 128 bits
3. Input Initialization Vector (IV) of 32 bits
4. Divide Cipher Message (CM) into four sub cipher message of equal size like (CM_1, CM_2, CM_3, CM_4)
5. Divide Key (K) into four sub key of equal size like (K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4)
6. Perform XOR in following way
 - $CM_4 \text{ XOR } K_4 = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - ${}^{23}SM_{34} \text{ XOR } CM_3 = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - $CM_3 \text{ XOR } K_3 = {}^{12}SM_{23}$
 - ${}^{12}SM_{23} \text{ XOR } CM_2 = {}^{12}SM_{23}$
 - $CM_2 \text{ XOR } K_2 = {}^1SM_2$
 - ${}^1SM_2 \text{ XOR } CM_1 = {}^1SM_2$
 - $CM_1 \text{ XOR } K_1 = {}^IVSM_1$
 - ${}^IVSM_1 \text{ XOR } IV = SM_1$
 - ${}^{23}SM_{34} \text{ XOR } {}^{12}SM_{23} = {}^{23}SM_{34}$
 - ${}^{12}SM_{23} \text{ XOR } {}^1SM_2 = {}^2SM_3$

$${}^2{}^3SM_{34} \text{ XOR } {}^2SM_3 = {}^3SM_4$$

7. Perform 2 bits right circular shift in reverse order in following way

$$\text{Rev}(>>2) {}^3SM_4 = {}^3SM_4$$

$$\text{Rev}(>>2) {}^2SM_3 = {}^2SM_3$$

$$\text{Rev}(>>2) {}^1SM_2 = {}^1SM_2$$

8. Perform XOR in following way

$${}^1SM_2 \text{ XOR } SM_1 = SM_2$$

$${}^2SM_3 \text{ XOR } SM_2 = SM_3$$

$${}^3SM_4 \text{ XOR } SM_3 = SM_4$$

9. Combine SM_1 , SM_2 , SM_3 and SM_4 to get SM

10. Repeat above step 10 time

11. Exit

Hiding Cipher Message Step:

1. Input Cipher (CP) Message
2. Input Cover Image (CI)
3. Call Least Significant bits (LSB) process
4. Pass Cipher (CP) message and Cover Image (CI) to LSB
5. Call Randomization (LSB)
6. Produced Steog Image (SI)
7. Exit

Extraction of Cipher Message Step:

1. Input Stego Image (SI)
2. Call Least Significant Bits (LSB) process
3. Call Randomization (LSB)
4. Extract Cover Image (CI) and Cipher Message (CM)
5. Exit

Wavelet Transform: Wavelet compressions are two types lossless or lossy. In lossless compression, the original data can be reconstructed from the compressed data, but in lossy compression the partial data can be reconstructed. Using wavelet transformation the data can be stored in less space, By doing so the memory space will be reduced and the data can be transferred easily [4]. Steps in wavelet compression: Load the image, perform wavelet decomposition of the image, and compress using fixed Threshold [3].

Randomization Process: For randomization proposed concept used a technique known as MDSQR method. Step of this technique is as follow:

1. Start with an initial seed (e.g. a 2-digit integer and in our case it is again a random value).
2. Square the number.
3. Take the middle 2 digits.

MDSQR Method, example

$$x_0 = 5497$$

$$x_1: 5497^2 = 30217009 \text{ @ } x_1 = 17, R_1 = 2170$$

$$x_2: 2170^2 = 04708900 \text{ @ } x_2 = 08, R_2 = 7089$$

$$x_3: 7089^2 = 50253921 \text{ @ } x_3 = 53, R_3 = 2539$$

RESULTS

Performance Analysis: This section presents results on two type of secret message one is text based secrete message and second is image based secret message. Proposed system design and developed on MAT LAB. During results evaluation proposed system has selected various type of cover image like (lena.jpg, monalisa.jpg, see figure 6 (a) and (b)) which is highlighted as a “**Input Cover Image**” Similarly proposed system has various secret messages. For image there are five secrete images have used like (secret image 0.jpg, secret image 1.jpg, secret image 2.jpg, secret image 3.jpg, and secret image 4.jpg see figure (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e)) and for text secrete message there are four secrete (Text 1, Text 2, Text3 and Text 4 see Table 1) of various size have used all are define below.

Input Cover Images



(a) Lena.jpg



(b) Monalesa.jpg

Figure 6: Cover Image

Input Secrete Images

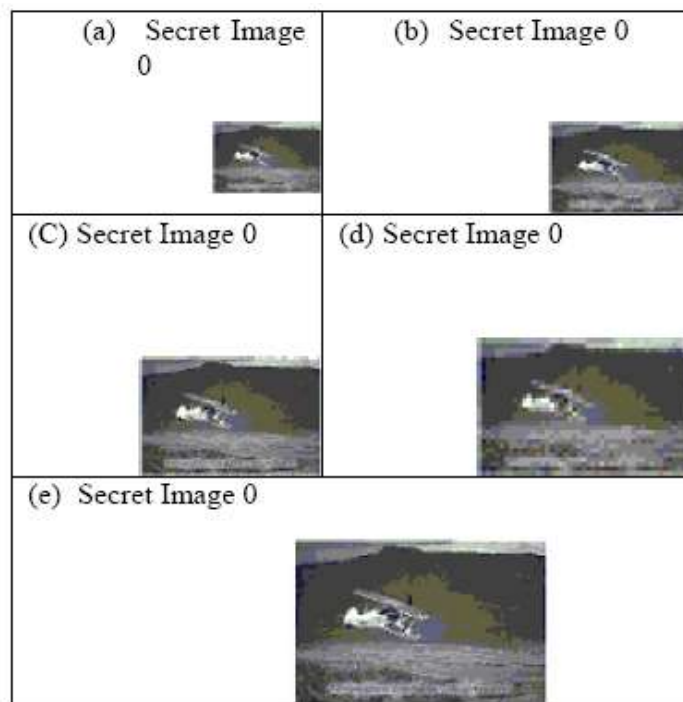


Figure 7: Secret Image

Input Secret Text Message

Table 1: Secret Text

Name	Secret Text Message
Text 1	Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan.
Text 2	Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan
Text 3	Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan
Text 4	Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan Pls find details of my account is, username:ram, password:mohan

For the experiment proposed system used three parameters which is following

- Peek Signal to Noise Ratio
- Correlation
- Entropy

All three parameter are evaluated for image type of secret message and for text only PSNR and correlation evaluated. Each parameter is described below in detail.

Peek

assume
MSE

$$MSE = \frac{\sum_i \sum_j |x(i,j) - y(i,j)|^2}{N}$$

Signal to Noise Ratio (PSNR) Analysis: PSNR is defined as that N is the total number of pixels in the input or output image, (Mean Squared Error) is calculated as [2,3 ,4]

$$PSNR = 10 \log_{10} \frac{(L-1)^2}{MSE}$$

Where L is the number of discrete gray levels

The value of PSNR should be greater for the better of the output image quality

4.1.3 Entropy Analysis: Entropy defined as follows [18]-[19].

$$H_e = - \sum_{k=0}^{G-1} P(k) \log_2 (P(k))$$

Where:

He: entropy.

G: gray value of input image (0.. 255).

P(k): is the probability of the occurrence of symbol k.

The Entropy is a used to measure the richness of the details in the output image.

Correlation Analysis: In addition to the histogram analysis, we have also analyzed the correlation between two vertically adjacent pixels, two horizontally adjacent pixels and two diagonally adjacent pixels in plain image/cipher image respectively. Firstly, we randomly select 2000 pairs of two adjacent pixels from an image. Then, we calculate their correlation coefficient using the following two formulas [30]:

$$cov(x, y) = E(x - E(x))(y - E(y)),$$

$$r_{xy} = \frac{cov(x, y)}{\sqrt{D(x)}\sqrt{D(y)}}$$

Where and are the values of two adjacent pixels in the image. In numerical computations, the following discrete formulas were used [30]:

$$E(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

$$D(x) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - E(x))^2,$$

$$cov(x, y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - E(x))(y - E(y_i)),$$

Initially proposed system presenting results for image secret message where two cases has design and results are presented in table 2 to 4..

Test Case 1: When Cover image is **Mahatmagandhi.Jpg** and various Secret Image's.

Table 2: PSNR Analysis (Cover Image is Mahatmagandhi.Jpg)

	Input		PSNR	
	Data	Size	Existing Work	Propose Work
Mahatmagandhi.Jpg				
secret_Img0.bmp	Img1	2.5	43.837928	43.839592
secret_Img3.bmp	Img2	6.67	43.831132	43.836673
secret_Img4.bmp	Img3	9.03	43.817026	43.839397

Table 3: PSNR Analysis (Cover Image is Lena.jpg)

Test case 2: Whene Cover image **Lena.jpg** and various Secrete Text.

	Input		PSNR	
	Input Data	Size	Existing Work	Propose Work
lena.jpg				
secret_Img0.bmp	Img1	2.5	45.82392	45.824747
secret_Img3.bmp	Img2	6.67	45.818282	45.823471
secret_Img4.bmp	Img3	9.03	45.808756	45.828173

Table 4: Analysis of PSNR, Correlation and Entropy Performance (a)PSNR (b) Correlation (c) Entropy Analysis

Table 4(a) : Performance PSNR Analysis

	Input		PSNR	
	Input Data	Size	Base Work	Propose Work
over.Jpg				
secret_image0.bmp	Img1	2.5	38.294831	38.29497
secret_Img1.bmp	Img2	3.55	38.292756	38.294973
secret_Img2.bmp	Img3	5.11	38.290274	38.294719
secret_Img3.bmp	Img4	6.67	38.287901	38.294541
secret_Img4.bmp	Img5	9.03	38.285928	38.294866

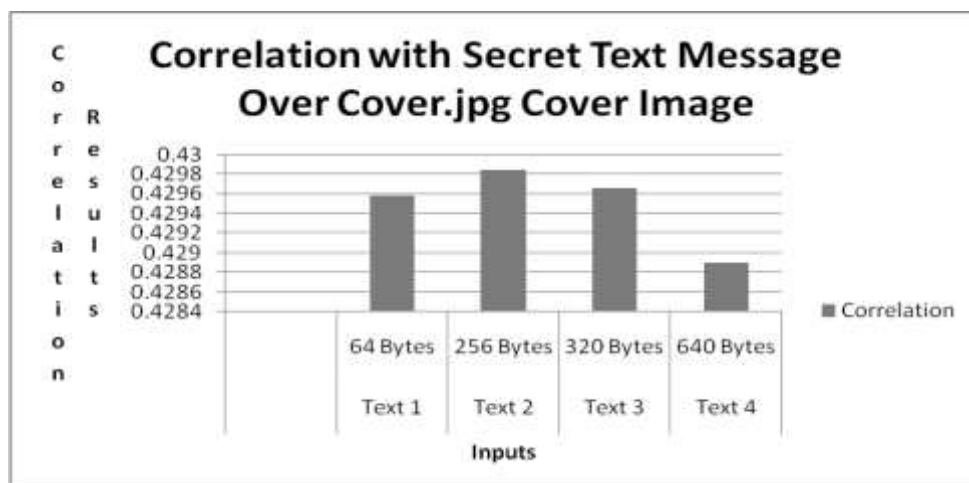
(Cover Image is cover.jpg)

Table 4(b) : Performance Correlation Analysis

	Input		Correlation	
	Input Data	Size	Base	Propose
Cover.Jpg				
secret_image0.bmp	Img1	2.5	0.429717	0.429758
secret_Img1.bmp	Img2	3.55	0.42962	0.430696
secret_Img2.bmp	Img3	5.11	0.428805	0.429971
secret_Img3.bmp	Img4	6.67	0.427849	0.429349
secret_Img4.bmp	Img5	9.03	0.42685	0.428724

Table 4(c) : Performance Entropy Analysis

	Input		Entropy	
	Input Data	Size	Base	Propose
lena.jpg				
secret_Img0.bmp	Img1	2.5	7.768511	7.768668
secret_Img3.bmp	Img2	6.67	7.767985	7.768801
secret_Img4.bmp	Img3	9.03	7.767122	7.768805



Grpah 1: Correlation Performance of Proposed Concept with Secrete Text Message over Cover Image.jpg

Key Space Analysis: Secret key space analysis mean key size or key length in byte that is used during proposed encryption and decryption. Here proposed encryption and decryption have used 128 bits key size that mean any hacker will take to break this key in 2^{128} times by using brute force attack which is impossible. Another security feature in proposed steganography is randomization of LSB selection from cover image which is also providing security for proposed concept.

Results Summary: For Image Secret Message In Table 2 PSNR, Correlation and Entropy value are 35.638026, 0.749495 and 7.768702 by the proposed concept on the monaleesa.jpg as a cover image with secret image 0. Similarly **In Table 3 PSNR, Correlation and Entropy value are 45.824747, 0.592466 and 7.768668** by the proposed concept on the lena.jpg as a cover image with secret image 0. From the result it is observing that proposed concept are producing better results in all aspect. And For **Text Secret Message In Table 4 PSNR, and Correlation value are 35.637955, and 0.748887** by the proposed concept on the monaleesa.jpg as a cover image with secret text 1. Graph 1 to 5 is also showing the performance of the proposed concept with various secret text and image message over Cover.jpg and monaleesa.jpg cover image respectively. From the result it is observing that proposed concept are producing better results in all aspect.

Conclusion

Steganography is a viable approach to conceal delicate data. In this examination work two methodologies have utilized one is encryption/unscrambling and another is steganography. In Steganography system has additionally utilized two methodologies one is the LSB Technique and second is the Pseudo-Random Encoding Technique on pictures to acquire secure stego-picture. Exhibited PSNR is demonstrating great picture nature of stego picture in LSB encoding. Our outcomes demonstrate that the LSB addition utilizing irregular key is superior to straightforward LSB insertion in the event of lossless pressure. The nature of the picture does not change excessively and is immaterial when implant the emit message into the cover picture and the discharge message is secured with the private key. In this way, it is difficult to hurt the emit message by unapproved character. The calculation is use for both 8 bit and 24 bit picture of the approx twofold size of cover as think about mystery picture, so it is anything but difficult to be actualizing in both grayscale and shading picture. This examination work concentrates on the approach like expanding the security of the message and expanding PSNR and diminishing the bending rate [18].

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