

# Biometric facial image encryption for secure image storage

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## ABSTRACT

Digital Image Encryption applied for Biometric Facial Image for secure Image storage. Initially, Binary Images are segmented with embedded secret keys. Segmented Binary Image is diffused into Red, Green & Blue components and bit planes are separated from the original Biometric facial Image through XOR operations. Simulation has been performed in MATLAB using a standard digital biometric facial Image & live Images.

**KEY WORDS:** Encryption, Segmentation, Biometric, Security.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

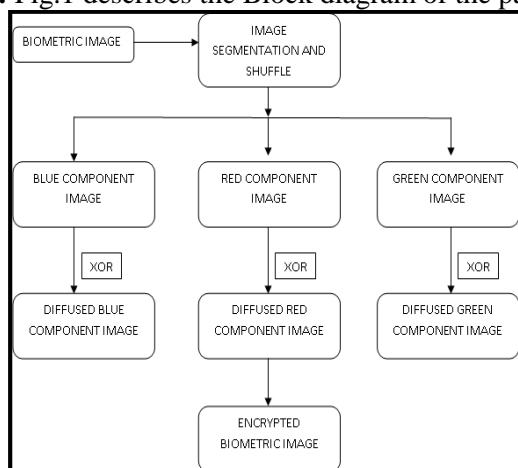
Biometric Facial Image, which are unique and permanent identifiers that are widely used to be private and sensitive forms of personal information. Such Digital Biometric Facial Images have been used in a variety of applications such as in payment system, access controls and Forensics. Consequently, Security system for Digital Biometric Facial Images has been of much interest to improve the degree of security. Image Encryption scheme for such Digital Biometric Facial Images is highly required. Image Encryption may be classified into two types as (i) Pixel value substitution which focuses on the change in pixel values and (ii) Pixel location scrambling which focuses on the change in pixel position.

Conventional Cryptography such as Data Encryption Standard (DES), International Data Encryption Algorithm (IDEA), Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) and RSA algorithm may not be applicable in Real-Time Image Encryption due to large computational time and high computing power, especially for the images with large data capacity and high correlation among pixels. Recently, Image Encryption scheme using random sources have been alternatively proposed such as Scan-based method and Chaos-based methods.

## 2. MATERIALS AND METHODS

**Cellular automata:** Cellular Automata (CA) have also successfully been applied in the field of Image Encryption such as in with different permutation and diffusion methods. However, most encryption schemes using CA are relatively complicated with large computational time found in that of existing image encryption schemes. In addition, an application of CA-based encryption for Digital Biometric Facial Images has not been realized. This paper presents the digital image encryption scheme for biometric facial image using Cellular Automata for secure image storage. Segmented CA binary image is diffused to the shuffled and bit-plane separated of the original biometric facial image through XOR operations.

**Flow chart:** Fig.1 describes the Block diagram of the paper for Biometric Facial Image Encryption method.



**Figure.1. Block Diagram**

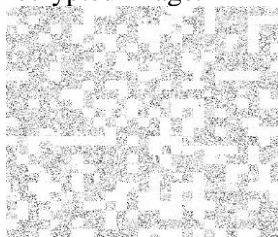
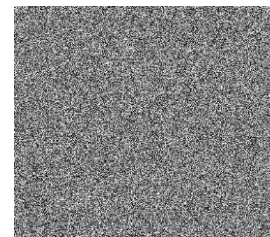
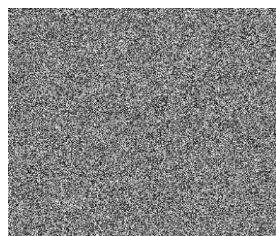
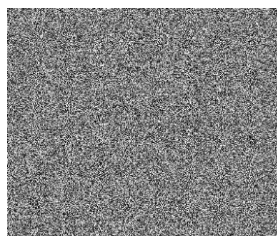
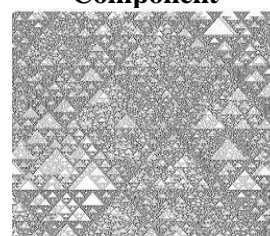
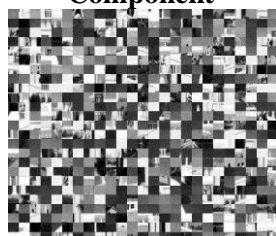
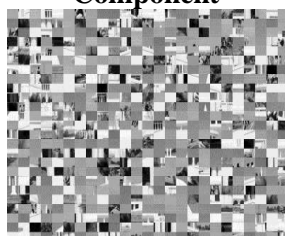
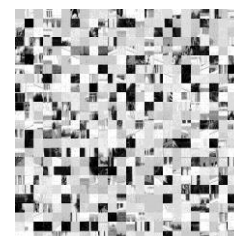


**Figure.2. Block Diagram**

**Digital Biometric Encryption:** Fig.2 shows the Main menu of the Digital Biometric Encryption in MATLAB. The flow of the program follows as Image Acquisition, Extracting RGB Component, Input Encryption key, Diffusion for RGB, Encrypted Image & Decrypted Image.

**3. RESULTS & CONCLUSION**

Figure 3 & 4 shows the Image Acquisition, Image Shuffling respectively. Figure 5,6 & 7 shows the Encoded Red component, Encoded Green component & Encoded Blue component respectively. Figure 8 shows the Encrypted Image. Figure 9, 10 & 11 shows the Decoded Red component, Decoded Green component and Decoded Blue component respectively. Figure 12 shows the Decrypted image.

**Figure.3. Image Acquisition****Figure.4. Image Shuffling****Figure.5. Encoded Red Component****Figure.6. Encoded Green Component****Figure.7. Encoded Blue Component****Figure.8. Encrypted Image****Figure.9. Decoded Red Component****Figure.10. Decoded Green Component****Figure.11. Decoded Blue Component****Figure.12. Decrypted Image****REFERENCES**

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