Privacy by Design - Principles of Privacy-Aware Ubiquitous Systems

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Introduction

- Growth of Internet and E Commerce
 - Increased use of credit cards
 - paying bills, ordering food done online
 - Requires a lot of user information
 - How and where is that information stored
 - Who has access
 - How long is this data kept

Privacy

 'the right to select what personal information about me is known to what people'



Bo Peep (Lost her sheep but found them right away with her GPS tracking device).

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Privacy:



"Take these and keep the location app on – the boss said he might need to know where we are".

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- Motivation:
 - Ubiquitous devices are expected to disappear
 - Capture user specific information
 - Privacy
 - legal subject
 - Ethical issue subjective
- Conflicting goals
 - Privacy
 - Ubiquitous Environments
- Guidelines to develop ubiquitous devices

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Privacy Over the years

- Hot topic for several years.
- The Right to Privacy
 - Written by Louis Brandeis and Samuel D. Warren in 1890 in Harvard Journal
 - the printing press / photography
- Data Protection Laws
 - 1960
 - Nazi exploitation of public records in World War II

Kinds of Privacy

- Behavioral or Media Privacy
 - peeping toms and eaves droppers
- Territorial Privacy
 - Setting limits on intrusion in environments
 - e.g. workplace or public space searches
- Communication Privacy
 - security and privacy of mail, telephones, e-mail
 - Olmstead vs. United States in 1928
 - National Prohibition Act selling illegal liquors.
 - Katz v. United States
 - public pay phone to transmit illegal gambling wagers
- Information Privacy
 - collection and handling of personal data
 - E.g. credit information, medical, government records.

Some of the Laws that impacted Privacy

- US Privacy Act of 1974
 - political economist Alan Westin
- EU Directive 95/46/EC of 1995

Fair Information Practices

- Openness and transparency
 - No secret record keeping
- Individual participation
 - Subject can see and correct his record
- · Collection limitation
 - Information collected proportional to purpose
- Data quality
 - Relevant data
- Use limitation
 - Used for specific purpose by authorized personnel.
- Reasonable security
 - Security level should be according to sensitivity of data
- Accountability
 - People in charge should be accountable

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EU Directive 95/46/EC

- Limits data transfers to non-EU countries
 - Adequate level of privacy protection
- Subsumes fair information practices
- Explicit consent

Does Privacy Matter?

- Yes, it does...case by case
- In case of an accident
 - medical records
 - Good for individuals
- FBI is able to decipher secret email
 - terrorist attacks
 - Good for Society
- Centralized power controls access
 - not abuse their powers.
- Everyone will be watching each other

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Social Implications of Ubiquitous Devices

- Ubiquity
 - Present every where
 - Decisions affect every part of life
- Invisibility
 - interacting/under surveillance
- Sensing
 - Sensors pick up emotions
 - High quality audio and video
- Memory amplification
 - Record every action of us and our surrounding
 - Search through our past
- Lawmakers, sociologists may not be aware of the technology
 - Its up to the designers of systems.

Goals and Focus of Research

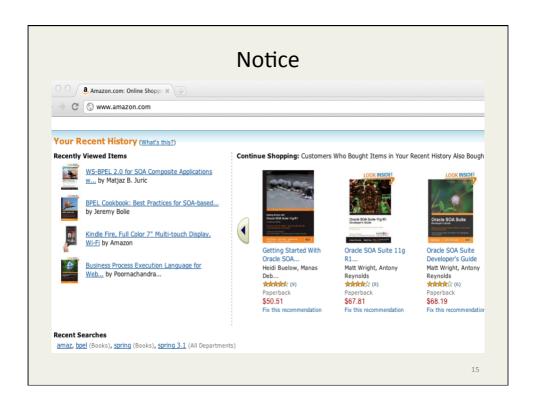
- Cannot provide total security/privacy
- Goal is to prevent unwanted accidents
- Build relationships based on mutual trust and respect.

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Notice

Stores place signs informing users







Notice

- Data collection
 - known to the subject that is being monitored
- Scenario: memory-amplifier-coffee-cup
- Should have a well known location for publishing such information

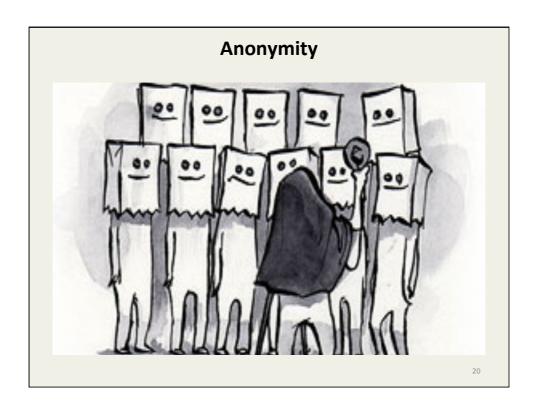
 - Emergency frequencies
 - Radio announcements for buildings
- Limitations depending on device
 - power consumption RFID tags
- P3P
 - Which information the server stores
 - Use of this information
 - How long is it stored
- Inform occupants of a building that audio recording is done
- Pay attention to restrictions on surveillance such as wiretapping or video recording

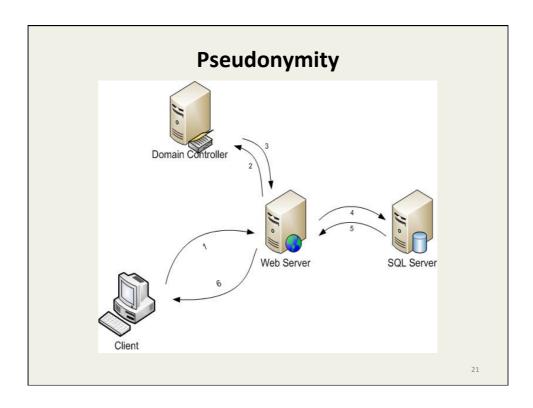


Choice and Consent

- · Data collectors
 - receive explicit consent from the data subject
- Explicit consent written contract
- Explicit consent in digital world
 - public-key cryptography
 - Was user aware or did a system do it automatically
- Ubiquitous setting:
 - Devices may not support a tactile interface
 - Unusable
- Notion of consent
 - If only one option available
 - restrictions on purpose, use, and retention of such video feeds
- Offer reason for collecting information
 - If user declines, selectively disable functionality for this user

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Anonymity and Pseudonymity

- Legally collect information without explicit user consent
- Anonymity = not identifiable within a set of subjects
- Difficult in ubiquitous environment
 - video camera can get a clear picture of a person
 - personalization
- Pseudonymity assigns certain ID to a certain individual
 - Has option to step out of that role
- Issues
 - Can some data be traced back to a person
 - Ex: Data Mining

Proximity and Locality

Proximity

- data is collected by a device only when the owner is present
- use biometry
- Concern : friends playing their recordings to a group of strangers

Locality

- Information collected should not leave a particular area
- Information collected in a building would stay within the building's network
- Concern: once present, no additional authentication would be required anymore

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Adequate Security

- Ubiquitous devices present new challenges
 - Power consumption
 - Communication protocols
 - Key distribution and Management
- Robust security
 - highly sensitive data
- Principle of Proportionality
 - Hacking for something worth \$10
- Proximity and Locality
 - Sending information locally, without encryption

Access and Recourse

- Separate acceptable from unacceptable behavior
 - detecting violations and enforcing the penalties
- · Technology should assist in implementing legal requirements
 - use limitation, access, or repudiation.
- Data Collectors
 - privacy aware technology implemented.
- Allow data subjects to have access to their information
- The principles of Collection and Use Limitation
 - collect data for a well-defined purpose
 - only collect data relevant for the purpose (not more)
 - only keep data as long as it is necessary for the purpose

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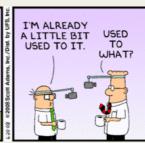
Take Away

- Good Introduction for Software Developers
- Use of Principles in Development of a product
- Consult Legal advisor
 - development of a product

Orwellian nightmare







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Any Questions?

• Thank you!