Privacy Research Paradigms Privacy Engineering and the Agile Turn

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getting privacy engineering right?

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privacy research



software engineering practice



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can it be that the practices around the production of software are an important element of privacy research?





matters?

the turn to agile



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privacy as confidentiality

privacy as control

privacy as practice

privacy as confidentiality

"the right to be let alone" Warren and Brandeis

data minimization

properties with mathematical guarantees

avoid single point of failure

open source - it takes a village to keep it secure

privacy as confidentiality

secure messaging anonymous communications

All Tools	Encrypted in transit?	Encrypted so the provider can't read it?	Can you verify contacts' identities?	Are past comms secure if your keys are stolen?	Is the code open to independent review?	Is security design properly documented?	Has there been any recent code audit?
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Off-The-Record Messaging for Windows (Pidgin)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot
PGP for Mac (GPGTools)	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
PGP for Windows Gpg4win	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0

privacy as control

"right of the individual to decide what information about himself should be communicated to others and under what circumstances" Westin

data protection/FIPPS compliance

transparency and accountability

individual participation and control

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privacy policy languages

purpose based access control

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privacy as practice

"the freedom from unreasonable constraints on the construction of one's identity" Agre

improve user agency in negotiating privacy

privacy integral to collective info practices

aid in privacy decision making

transparency of social impact

privacy as practice

feedback & awareness design

privacy nudges







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How big data is unfair

Understanding unintended sources of unfairness in data driven decision making



Even if two groups of the population admit simple classifiers, the whole population may not.

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diversity in problems & solutions

integration

systematization

generalization

practice

privacy engineering

the field of research and practice that designs, implements, adapts and evaluates theories, methods, techniques, and tools to systematically capture and address privacy issues when developing socio-technical systems.










methods: approaches for systematically capturing and addressing privacy issues during information system development, management and maintenance

IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON SOFTWARE ENGINEERING, VOL. 35, NO. 1, JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2009

Engineering Privacy

Sarah Spiekermann and Lorrie Faith Cranor, Senior Member, IEEE

Privacy stages	identifiability	Approach to privacy protection	Linkability of data to personal identifiers	System Characteristics
о	identified privacy by policy (notice and choice)	privacy by	linked	 unique identifiers across databases contact information stored with profile information
1		(notice and choice) linkable reasona automal effor	linkable with reasonable & automatable effort	 no unique identifies across databases common attributes across databases contact information stored separately from profile or transaction information
2	pseudonymous	privacy by architecture	not linkable with reasonable effort	 no unique identifiers across databases no common attributes across databases random identifiers contact information stored separately from profile or transaction information collection of long term person characteristics on a low level of granularity technically enforced deletion of profile details at regular intervals
3	anonymous		unlinkable	 no collection of contact information no collection of long term person characteristics <i>k</i>-anonymity with large value of <i>k</i>

techniques: procedures, possibly with a prescribed language or notation, to accomplish privacy-engineering tasks or activities

Eddy, a formal language for specifying and analyzing data flow specifications for conflicting privacy requirements

Travis D. Breaux · Hanan Hibshi · Ashwini Rao



tools: (automated) means that support privacy engineers during part of a privacy engineering process.

Tor Experimentation Tools

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Comparison

Metric	Shadow	TorPS	ExperimenTor
1. Size / number of relays	downscaling, simulation with 500+ re- lays possible	no downscaling	limited by available resources
2 Douting annual	not using additional weighting in node	ignoring paths being dropped due to	

socio-technical systems

standalone privacy technology

Tor/PreTP

privacy enhancement of system or function

privacy policy languages

research into privacy violations

web census

future research needs

empirical studies: how are privacy issues being addressed in engineering contexts? machine learning and engineering: methods, techniques and tools to address privacy, fairness and semantic power

frameworks and metrics: for evaluating efficacy of privacy engineering methods, techniques and tools

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methodology

- exploratory study (work in progress)
 - develop and shape an agenda for further study

interviews and chats

- devs, devops, product managers, a/b testers, Al/data product developers, data engineers, privacy officers
- industry white papers
- legal and policy literature

shrink wrap software





the turn to agile







1) All teams will henceforth expose their data and functionality through service interfaces.

2) Teams must communicate with each other through these interfaces.

3) There will be no other form of interprocess communication allowed: no direct linking, no direct reads of another team's data store, no shared-memory model, no back-doors whatsoever. The only communication allowed is via service interface calls over the network.

4) It doesn't matter what technology they use. HTTP, Corba, Pubsub, custom protocols – doesn't matter. Bezos doesn't care.

5) All service interfaces, without exception, must be designed from the ground up to be externalizable. That is to say, the team must plan and design to be able to expose the interface to developers in the outside world. No exceptions.

6) Anyone who doesn't do this will be fired. ~2001/2002

shrink wrap	enterprise	apps	services	
binary runs solely on client side			server (thin) client model	
requires matching soft & hardware			data "secured" by service	
updates & maintenance cumbersome			updates and maintenance server side	
user has control (oh no!)			collaborative	
pay in advance			pay as you use/trial	
Microsoft Word			office 365	







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waterfall model

spiral model

agile programming

Xtreme programming

waterfall model

requirements analysis and specification

architectural design

implementation and integration

verification

operation and maintenance



agile manifesto

individuals and interactions

process and tools

working software

comprehensive documentation

customer collaboration

contract negotiation

responding to change

following a plan

eXtreme Programming

if short iterations are good, make them as short as possible

if simplicity is good, do the simplest thing that can work

if testing is good, test all the time

if code reviews are good, review code continuously

implications of the shift to agile dev



feature inflation



data centric development





perspective 3: behavior and data centricity

- recursively keeping track:
 - capturing behavior of users
 - capturing behavior of service components
 - capturing behavior of your capture models
 - QA and continuous monitoring become one thing



how is all this fluffy management stuff relevant to privacy research?

Philip Agre: Two models of privacy

These systems capture knowledge of people's behavior, and they reconfigure them through rapid development of features that are able to identify, sequence, reorder and transform human activities.

This also means that they open these human activities to evaluation in terms of economic efficiency. Philip Agre.

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Moving Targets: Security and Rapid-Release in Firefox

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Reflections: The ecosystem is moving

moxie0 on 10 May 2016

Software exists as part of an ecosystem, and **the ecosystem is moving**. The platform changes out from under it, the networks evolve, security threats and countermeasures are in constant shift, and the collective UX language rarely sits still. As more money, time, and focus has gone into the ecosystem, the faster the whole thing has begun to travel.

One of the controversial things we did with Signal early on was to build it as an unfederated service. Nothing about any of the protocols we've developed requires centralization; it's entirely possible to build a federated Signal Protocol based messenger, but I no longer believe that it is possible to build a *competitive* federated messenger at all.
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OUTLOOK

- Privacy research will need to speak to existing SE approaches
 - domain specificity not enough: SE practices matter
- Future research: systemic empirical study of the agile turn
 - evaluate the paradigmatic principles that guide privacy research
 - study feature inflation and its impact on activities/privacy
 - behavioral analytics role in software engineering
 - the politics of new service metrics
- Investigate policy implications:
 - DP was developed during the time of mainframes!!!

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capture



computers can only compute what they capture

what would a total reorganization of all spheres of life in accord with the capture model look like?

Capture speaks to current landscape

But he wrote in time of shrink-wrap!