

Privacy and Identity Management for Distributed Systems



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Overview

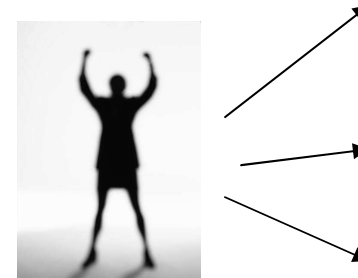
- I. Privacy Challenges & PETs
- II. Identity & Anonymity in Ad Hoc Networks
 - Self-certified, unlinkable, Sybil-free identifiers
 - Chameleon anonymous protocol
- III. PrimeLife - Privacy and Identity Management for Life



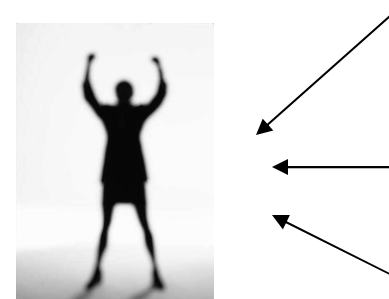
I. Privacy Challenges & PETs:

Privacy Dimensions

- Informational self-determination



- Spatial privacy





Basic Privacy principles

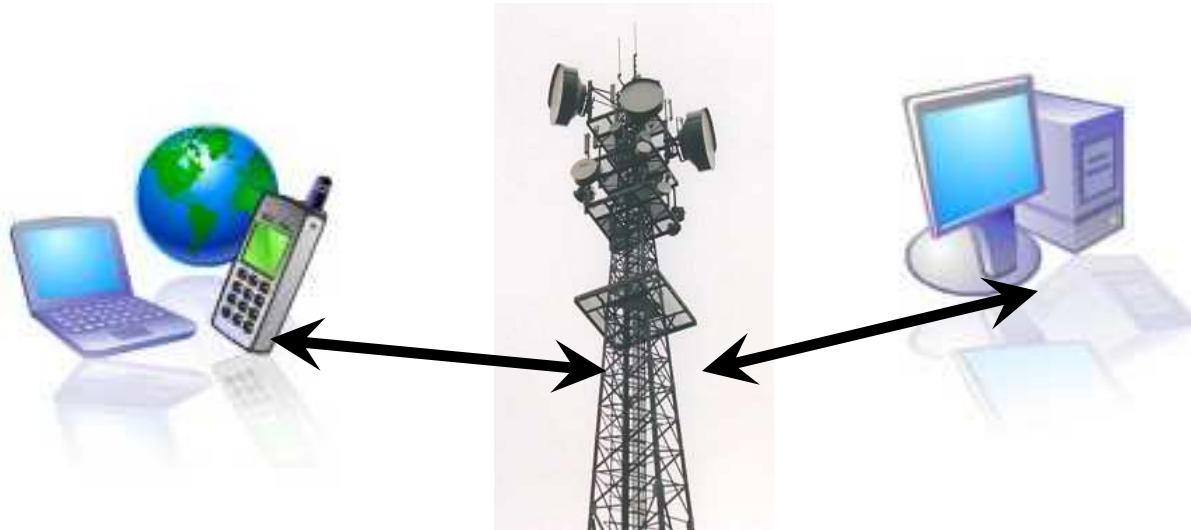
(implemented in EU-Directive 95/46/EC)

- Legitimation by **law, informed consent** (Art. 7 EU Directive)
- **Data minimisation** (Art. 6 I c, Art. 7)
- **Purpose specification and purpose binding** (Art. 6 I b)
 - "Non-sensitive" data do not exist !
- **Transparency**, rights of data subjects



Privacy Challenges

- Global networks, cookies, webbugs, spyware,...
- Location-based Services (LBS)
- Ambient Intelligence, RFID...
- Social Networks





Location Data /LBS – Privacy Risks

Privacy Risks:

- Unsolicited tracking of users' position, movements
- Unsolicited Profiling
- Disclosure of the user's current context
- Disclosure of social networks

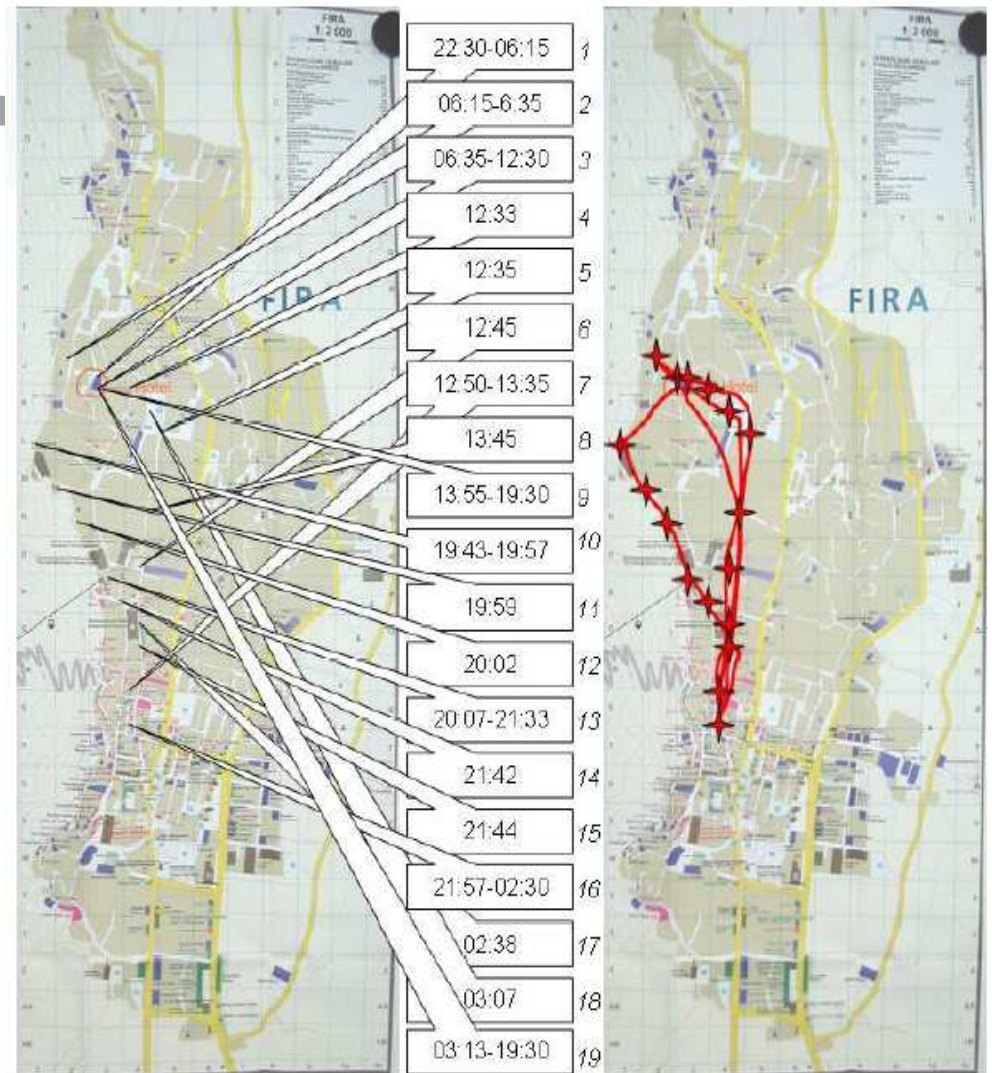


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Privacy Risks of Social Networks

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Enisa, det europeiska organet för nätverkssäkerhet, går i dag ut med en varning till dem som är med i nätverken på internet. Bland annat varnar man för att tagga, ansiktsidentifiera, sina vänner och anhöriga på bilder.

Facebook äger dig

"Det är ett slavkontrakt"

Samtliga 400 000 svenskar som registrerat sig på Facebook har skrivit över rättigheterna till sina bilder och hemligheter på det amerikanska företaget – för all evighet.

De har själva godkänt detta i ett 13-sidigt kontrakt.

FACEBOOK ÄGER

- Dina mejl
- Dina bilder
- Dina intressen
- Dina filmer
- Dina kontaktuppgifter

- Intimate personal details about social contacts, personal life, etc.
- The Internet never forgets completely....
- Not only accessible by "friends"



Freddi Staur (ID fraudster)





Privacy Risks of Social Networks – Personal data/photos inserted by others

Horrible Neighbors - Windows Internet Explorer

http://www.rottenneighbor.com/story.php?id=437420_horrible_neighbors

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Horrible Neighbors

FAQ PRESS BLOG ABOUT RSS

rotten NEIGHBOR

Interesting Neighbors Rotten Media Message Board Contest

Search, Post, Read! Enter Address

LOGIN REGISTER HELP

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Månadens Entrepreneur

Horrible Neighbors
Posted by Private 1 day 39 minutes ago

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RATING

San Jose St
Los Angeles, CA 91311 US

Dogs are constantly barking all day and all night. The owners never seem to care about whether their dogs are disrupting anyone by barking all the time. The couple who lives here are constantly fighting and arguing outside early mornings and dont care if they wake anyone up

Area Foreclosures

1391 ft²	4 Bed	\$395000
1613 ft²	3 Bed	\$451500
1940 ft²	3 Bed	\$459000
2415 ft²	3 Bed	\$480000
1440 ft²	3 Bed	\$379900
1363 ft²	3 Bed	\$299900

Neighborhood Rating

Noise:
★★★★★

Safety:
★★★★★

Appearance:
★★★★★

Services:
★★★★★

Traffic:
★★★★★

Overall:
★★★★★

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1 Comment
Send Neighbor Note
Tell a friend

Error on page.

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– Social Network Analysis

The Stanford Daily

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Employers snoop on Facebook

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Oxford using Facebook to snoop

University e-mailing students fines of \$80 to \$200 for breaking rules



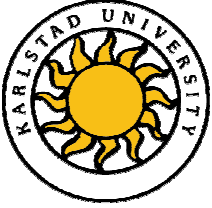
Oxford University students jump into the river from Magdalen Bridge to celebrate May Day. Officials at the university are now using Facebook as a way to find — and fine — troublemakers.

Facebook.com began as a site for college students, the site has now become a haven for some young job-seekers.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Lance Choy confirmed that the agency is using web searches to find background information on job applicants. He also mentioned that the agency has gathered this practice by using Facebook.

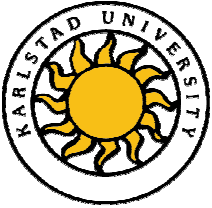
N Social Network Analysis/Profiling by:

- Employers
- Schools/Universities
- Direct Marketing
- Hackers
- Law Enforcement
- Tax authorities
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Need for Privacy-Enhancing Technologies (PETs)

- Law alone is not sufficient for protecting privacy in our Network Society
- PETs needed for implementing Law
- PETs for increased transparency & user control



Classifications of PETs

1. PETs for minimizing/ avoiding personal data

(-> **Art. 6 I c., e. EU Directive 95/46/EC**)

(providing Anonymity, Pseudonymity, Unobservability, Unlinkability)

■ At communication level:

- Mix nets, Onion Routing, TOR
- DC nets
- Crowds,...



■ At application level:

- Anonymous Ecash
- Anonymous Credentials,...



2. PETs for the safeguarding of lawful processing

(-> **Art. 17 EU Directive 95/46/EC**)

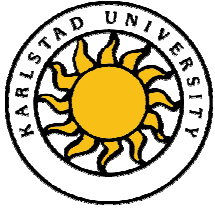
- P3P, Privacy policy languages
- Encryption,...



3. Combination of 1 & 2

- Privacy-enhancing Identity Management (PRIME, PrimeLife)

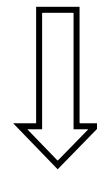




II. Identity & Anonymity in Ad Hoc Networks

Objective

How to obtain reliable anonymous communication?



PRIVACY

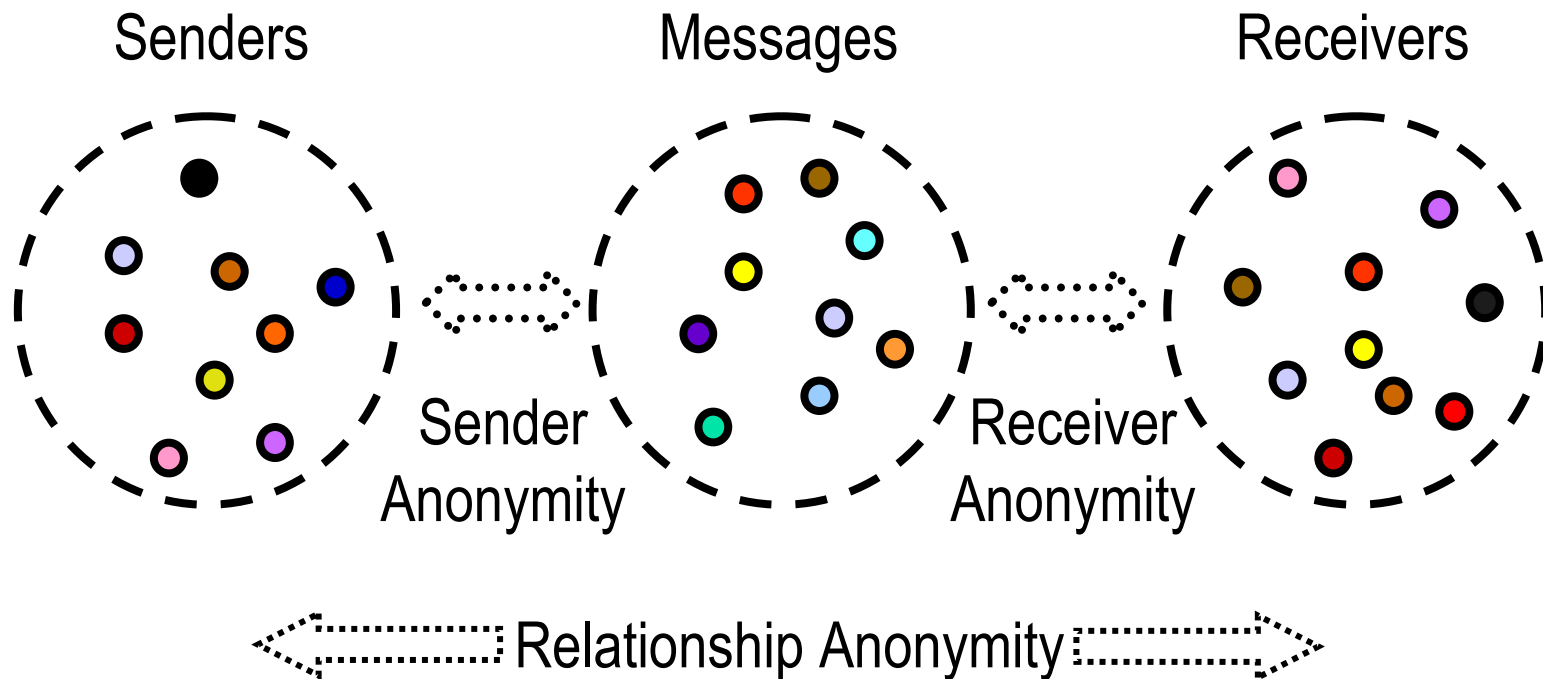
is best protected with anonymity

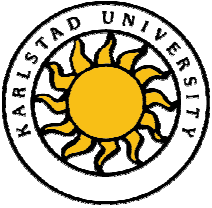
ANONYMITY

Is the basis for Privacy-Enhancing Applications



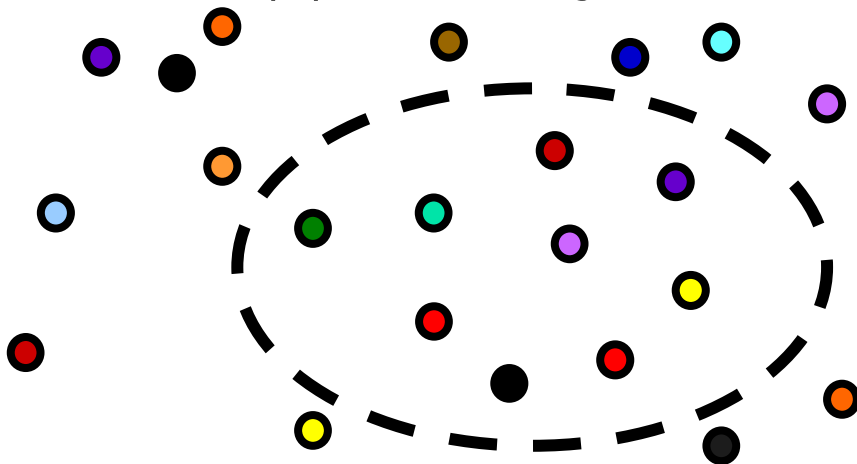
Goal: Anonymity - Unlinkability between items of interest





Anonymous Communication Functions

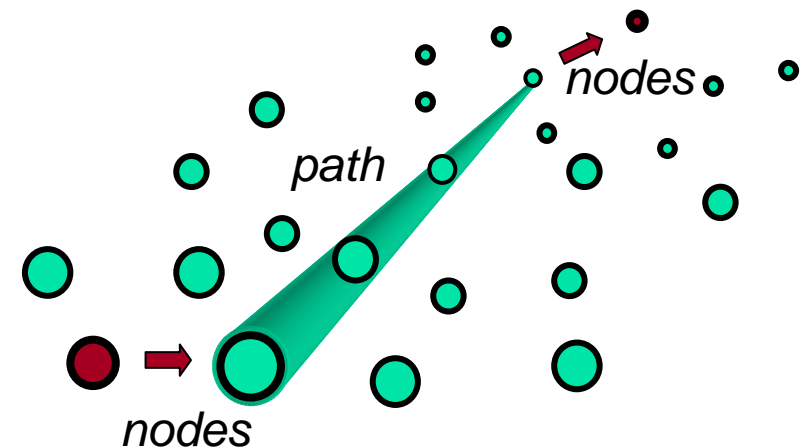
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The anonymity set

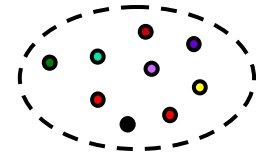
How to design privacy-friendly identifiers?

(2) Embedding Function



The anonymous path

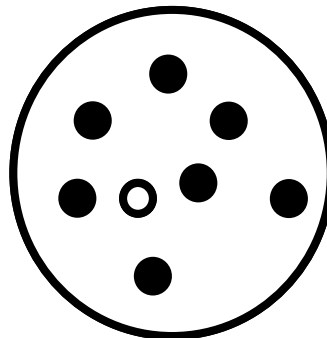
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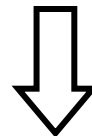
Ad (1): Grouping Function

- Identifiers in Ad Hoc Networks
 - No native trustworthy identification scheme in ad hoc networks
 - Perfect environment for achieving anonymity?



Sybil Attacks

Identifiers are needed to provide anonymity

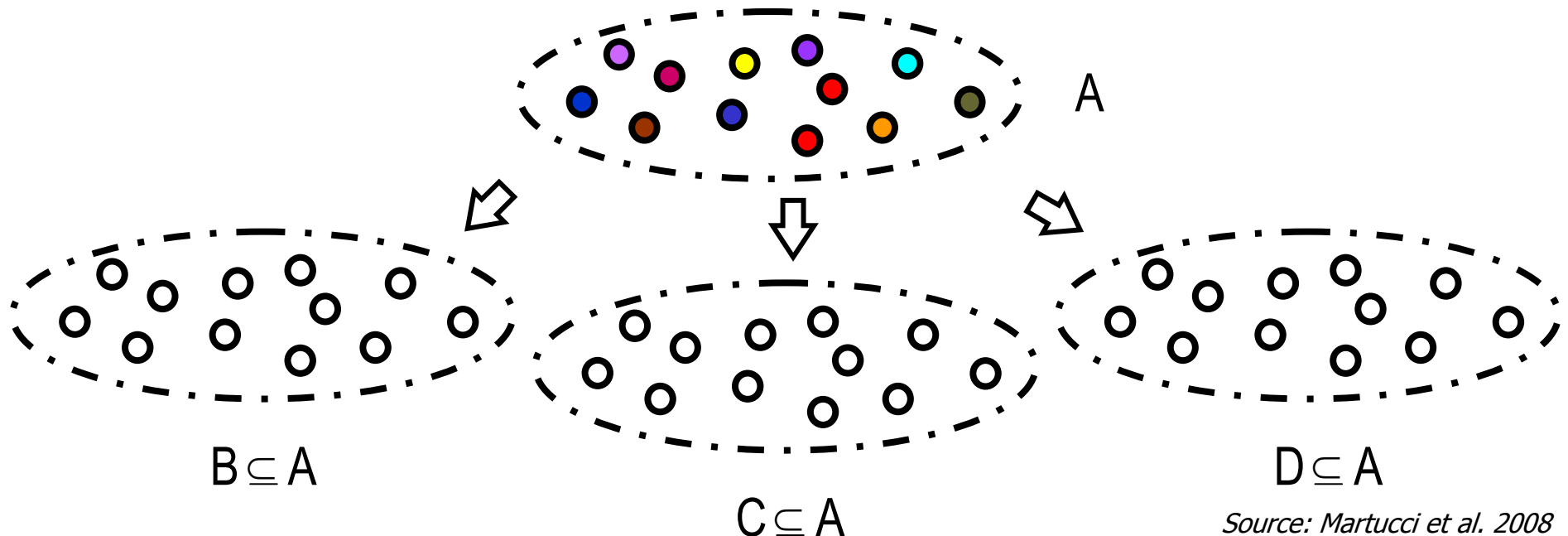


The Identity-Anonymity Paradox



Self-Certified, Unlinkable Sybil-Free Identifiers

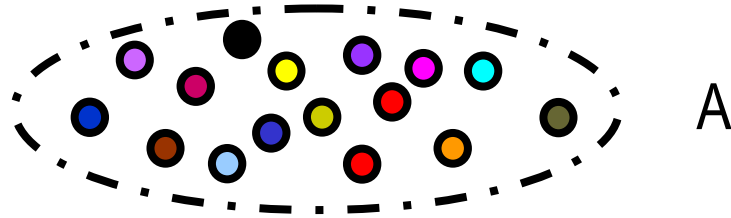
- Given: Initial Sybil-free Identity Domain
- How to propagate Sybil-freeness to arbitrary many identity (sub) domains, such as
 - In every identity domain each user is known under a different unique pseudonym (-> unlinkability)



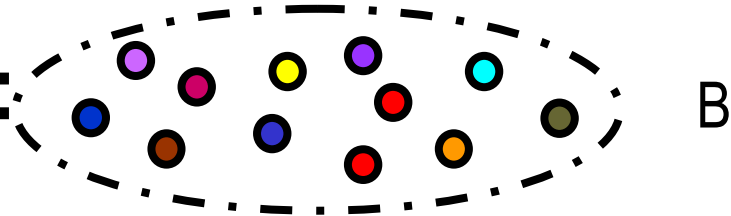


Application Example: Sets and e-Voting

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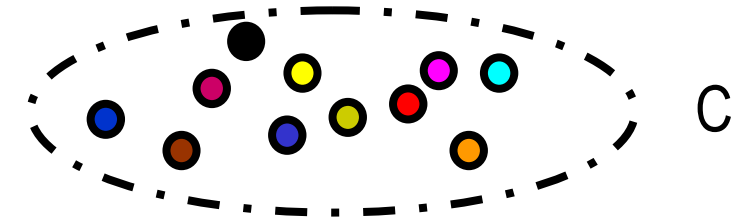


■ a subset that votes:



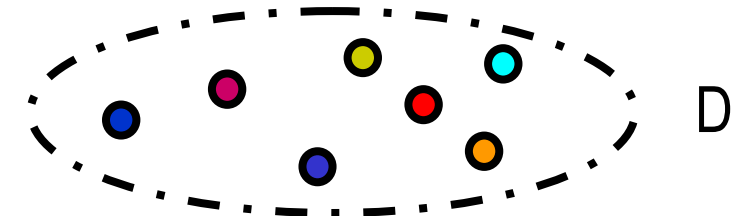
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■ next election:

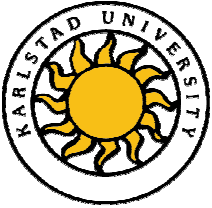


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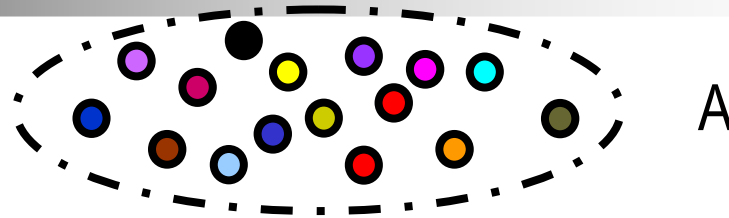


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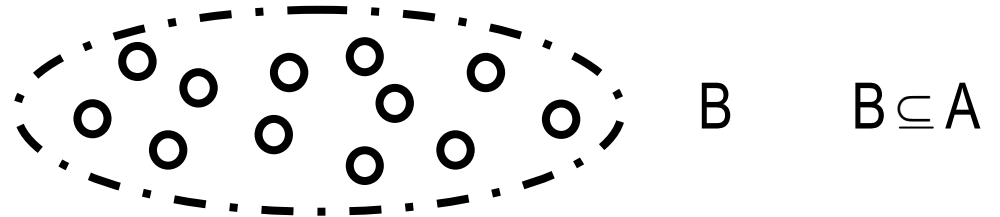


Anonymous e-Voting

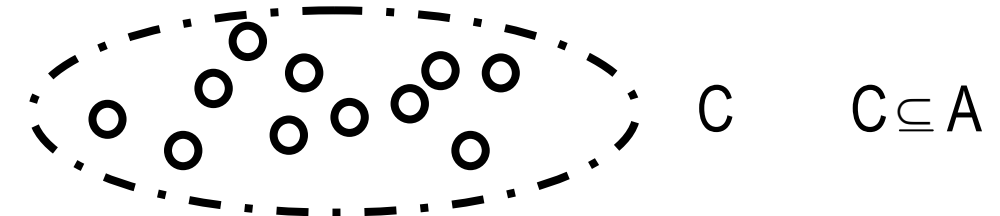
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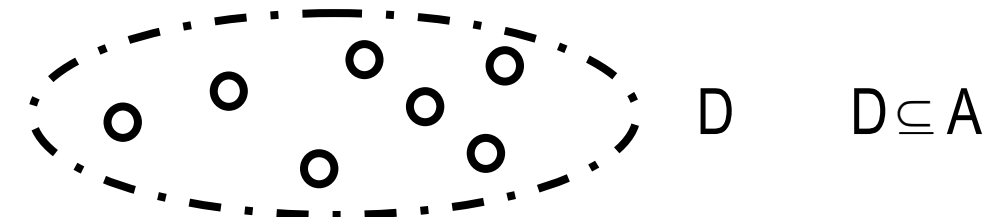
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- next election:



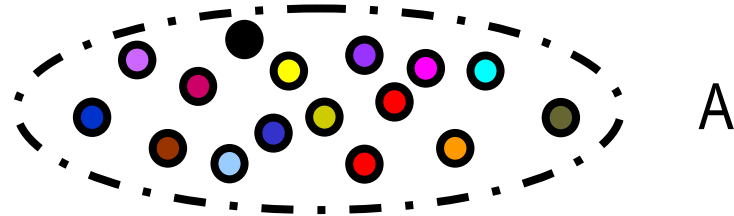
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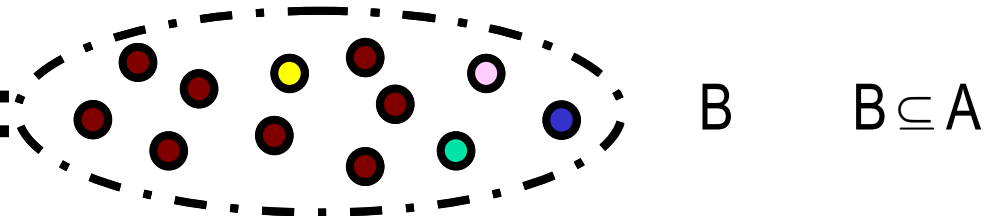


Sybil Attack and e-Voting

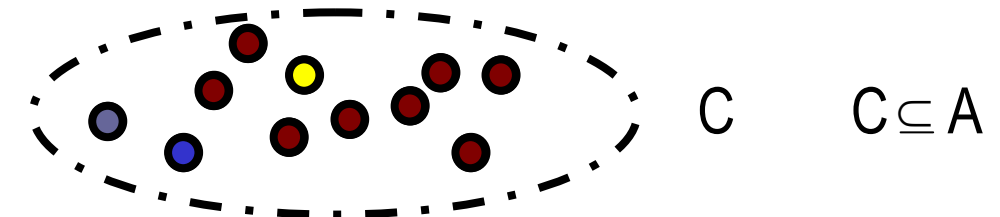
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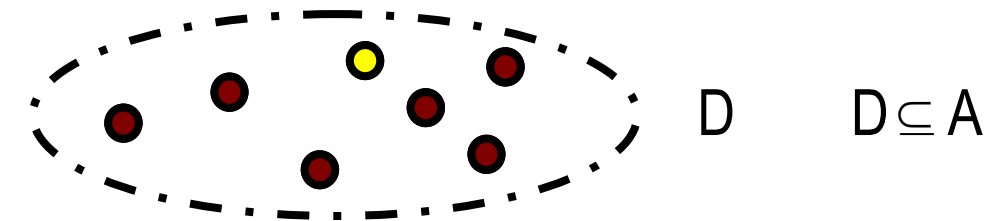
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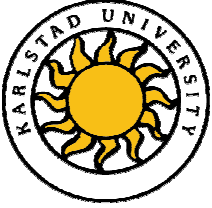


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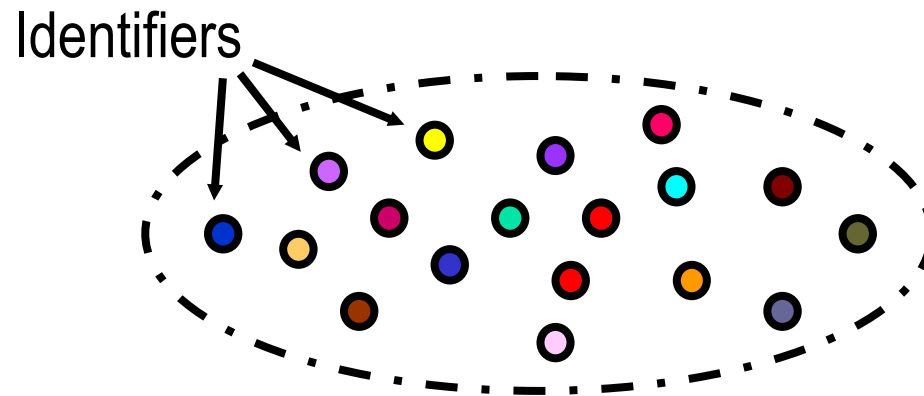




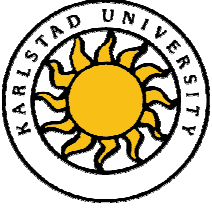
The Initial Assumption

- TTP (temporarily) available for bootstrapping
- The initial identity domain is Sybil-free

TTP
(honest)



Initial Identity Domain
used for one or more applications



Assumptions and Construction

■ Assumption:

- Every user U has obtained a (pseudonymous) membership certificate $cert_U$ from TTP. TTP stores pk_U and revocation information under U 's identity
- Each (sub) identity domain, created by a so-called domain controller, has a unique context identifier ctx , which is publicly announced



■ Construction

- Variation of Camenisch et al. periodically spendable e-token*

*Camenisch et al. How to Win the Clone Wars: efficient periodic n-times anonymous authentication. In: ACM CCS 2006



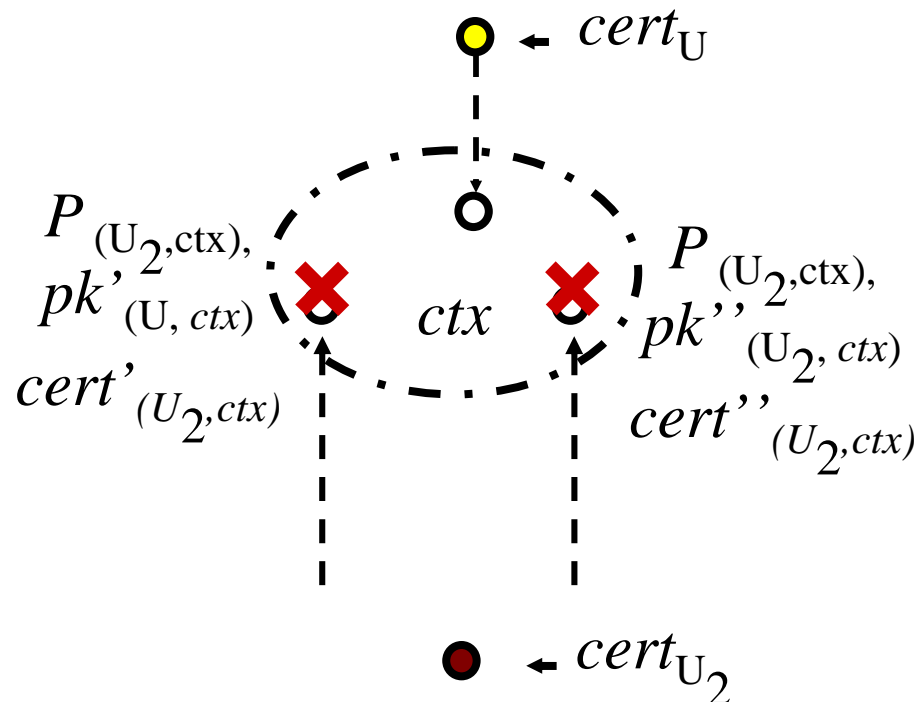
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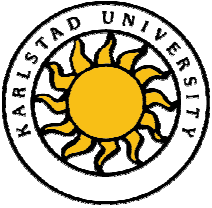
- For each (sub) identity domain ctx , U can create with $cert_U$ one self-certified pseudonym^o consisting of:
 - Pseudo-random pseudonym $P_{(U,ctx)}$
 - New public key $pk_{(U, ctx)}$
 - Pseudonym certificate $cert_{(u,ctx)}$
- Pseudonyms are mutually unlinkable



Sybil node detection

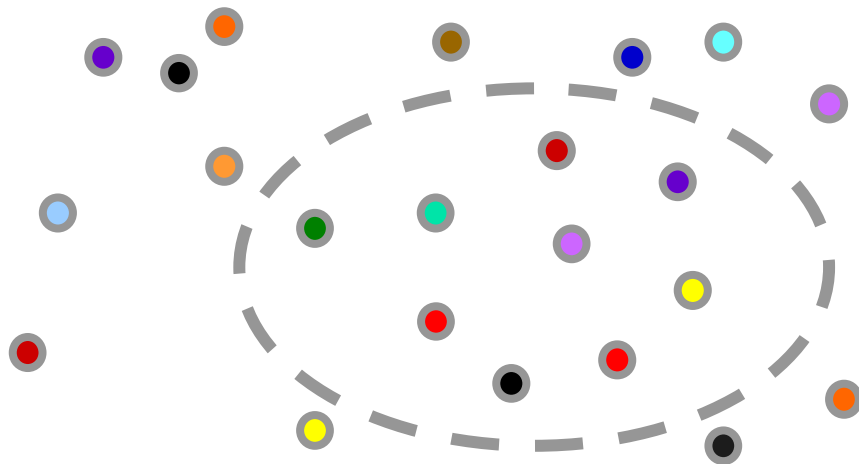
- Detection of multiple $P_{(U_2, ctx)}$
- obtain the user permanent pk_{U_2}
- $cert_U$ is revoked by TTP





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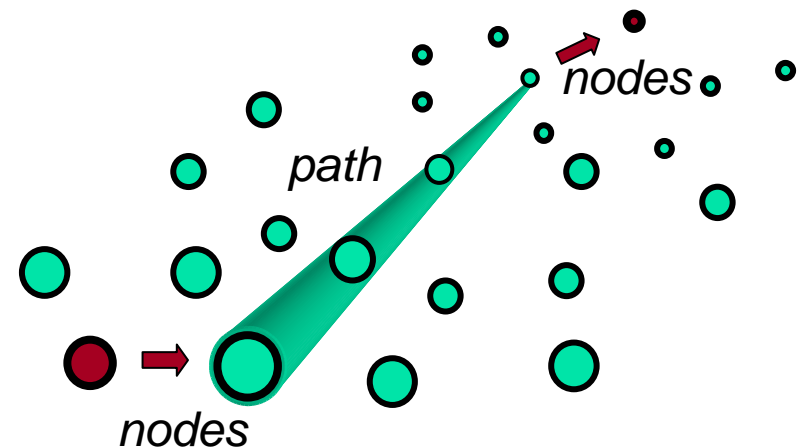
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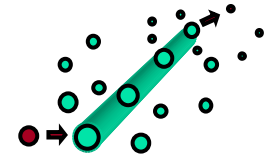
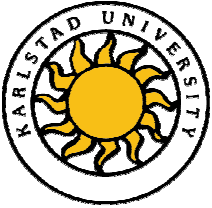
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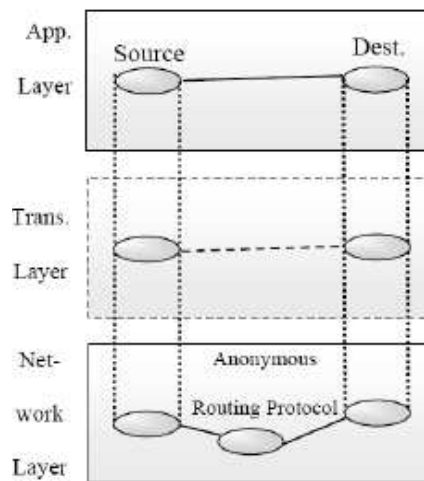
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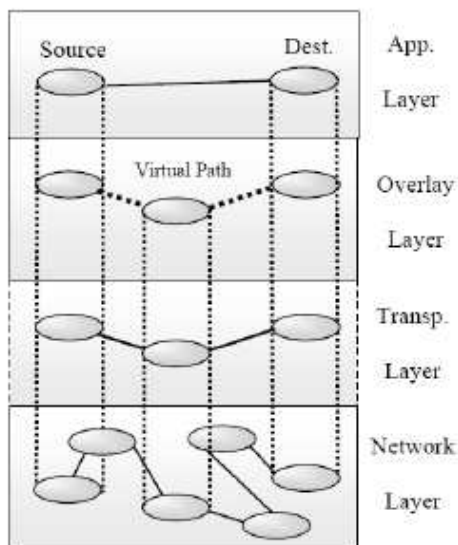
Ad (2): Embedding Function



Anonymous Communication in Ad Hoc Networks

■ Routing layer

- + transparency towards application
- incompatibility with standard ad hoc routing

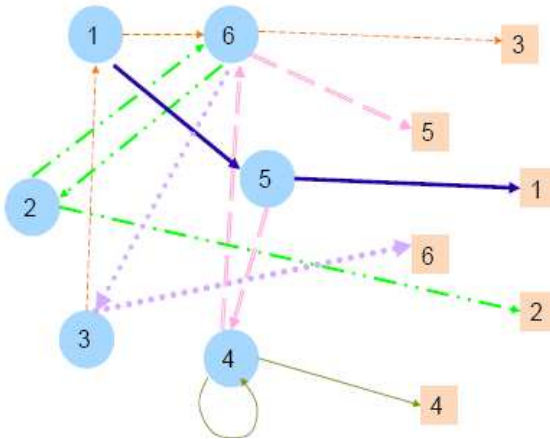


■ Overlay applications

- + independency from routing layer
- not transparent to applications



- Low-latency overlay anonymous communication mechanism, inspired by the Crowds protocol [Reiter/Rubin]
- Anonymous virtual path establishment:
 - Every node selects its next hop
 - First, path initiator forwards message to arbitrary Chameleon member
 - Further forwarding is determined by a toss of a biased coin (with $p_f > 0.5$)
- Multiple directory servers instead of one centralized “blender”
- Self-certified Sybil-free pseudonyms to distinct the elements of the anonymity set





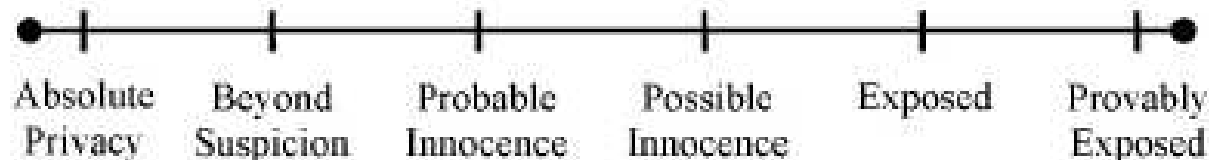
Propagating self-certified, unlinkable Sybil-free identifiers

- Chameleon users have to obtain membership certificate $cert_U$ from a (temporarily available) TTP
- One user acts as the domain controller, to which Chameleon users may register
- The domain controller periodically broadcasts the certified pseudonyms of enrolled users (incl. temporal network addresses)
- Users check that other users possess valid certified pseudonyms
- Pseudonym certificates stored at the domain controller automatically become invalid after the validity period of ctx



Chameleon - Anonymity Analysis

■ Applying the Crowds metrics



■ Attacker Model adjusted to ad-hoc networks

	<i>Sender Anonymity</i>	<i>Receiver Anonymity</i>	
<i>Malicious insiders (Γ')</i>	probable innocence if $ \Gamma \geq \frac{p_f}{(p_f - \frac{1}{2})} * (\Gamma' + 1)$	$P(\text{absolute privacy}) = \left(\frac{ \Gamma - \Gamma' }{ \Gamma } \right)^{L_{exp} - 1}$	
<i>Destination</i>	beyond suspicion for $ \Gamma \geq 3$	—	

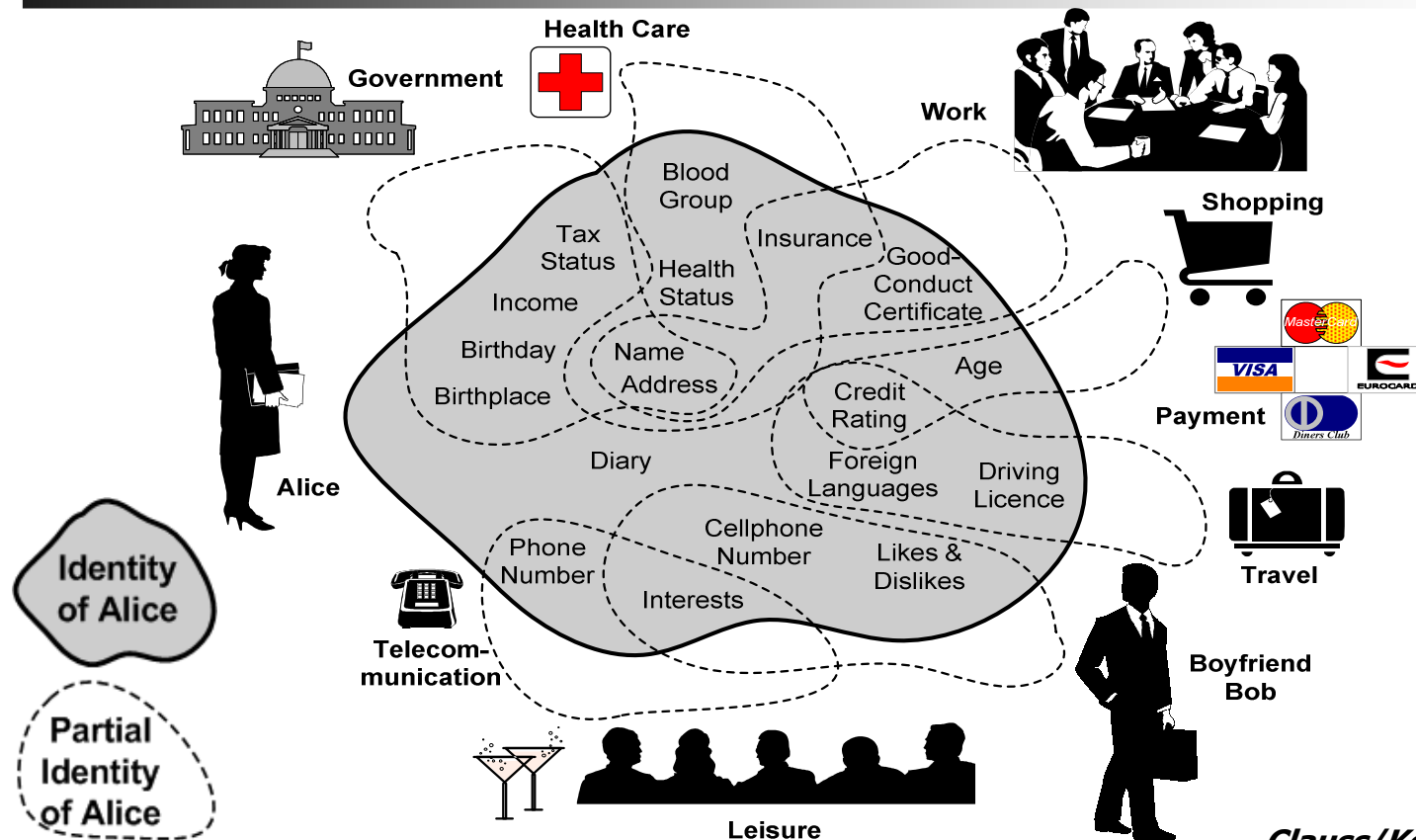


Chameleon - Performance Evaluation and Trade-offs

- Analytical Performance Properties
 - fair distribution of workload
 - scalability (same as Crowds)
 - few public key operations to set a path (2L)
- Simulation to obtain a cumulative distribution function (CDF) of percentage of packet arrivals in relation to the end-to-end delay and resistance against malicious insiders [Martucci 2009]
 - Example: For a tolerated 16.7% of malicious insiders (a probability of forwarding of 0.60):
 - the average end-to-end delay is 5.35 ms
 - 93.8% of the packets are expected to arrive within 10ms and
 - 99,7% within 20ms in our simulation setting



III. Privacy-enhancing Identity Management (IDM) for Life



Clauss/Köhntopp 2001

Vision: Users can act *securely* in the Information Society while keeping *sovereignty* of their private spheres



Viability of privacy-enhancing IDM has been demonstrated

Integrated approach providing:



- Data Minimisation
 - Anonymous communication, anonymous credentials, privacy-enabling authorisation model
- Assurance & Life Cycle Management
 - Assurance control, privacy & trust policy negotiation & enforcement (sticky policies), obligation management
- Transparency
 - Data track,...



PRIME/PrimeLife Architecture – Key Elements

1 Data Minimisation

2 Assurances & Data Life Cycle Management

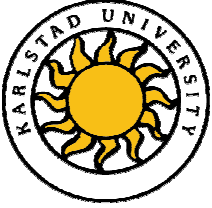
*The following slides were kindly provided
by Dieter Sommer/IBM Research*



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Data Minimisation

*How service providers can authorise users
while users retain their privacy*



Traditional Model



Request of service

Please log in!

Username = jane.doe

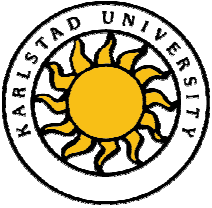
Password =



Ok, the requestor is Jane Doe
Address = Paradeplatz, 8001 Zurich, Switzerland
Birth date = 01 June 1979
Email = Jane.doe@mail.provider-xyz.com
Credit card details = (VISA, 1234 5678 9012, ...)
And so on...

Other profiling data: Detailed interest profiles, browsing behavior, detailed mouse movement profiles, complete history of interactions over the last 3 years, derived data and much more

External linkable data: Potentially everything that is linkable to Jane Doe's identity

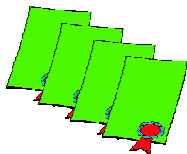


PRIME/PrimeLife Model

PRIME
Console



PRIME Middleware



Request of service

Please provide us with either of the following

- Your pseudonym with us
- A valid service subscription
- A valid service subscription and

Pseudonym = X768932...86
Proof = 5634...u758

Statement = Subscription.Type
Proof = 7862...8970

Statement = Subscription.Type
Proof = 7658...5634

Ok, the

Ok, the

Ok, the requestor has a **valid subscription**. That means, she has paid for the service and can access it.

The requestor has provided relevant certified attributes to enable service customization.

In between the extremes!



X768932...86

has a **valid**



Data minimisation

isn't the answer to everything

[there are many scenarios where identifying data are just required]



2 Assurances & Data Life Cycle Management

*How users establish trust in service providers and
how service providers enforce their promises for data handling*

Well, I don't know anything about
this service provider...

There's not much choice than
just providing the data...

Let's hope that these are not
those bad privacy-infringing guys
one reads about in the news
every other day...



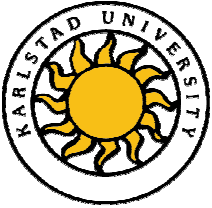
Traditional Model

Create an account

Please provide
Name, street, zip code & city, country,
birth date, email address, credit card
details, personal preferences on X, ...

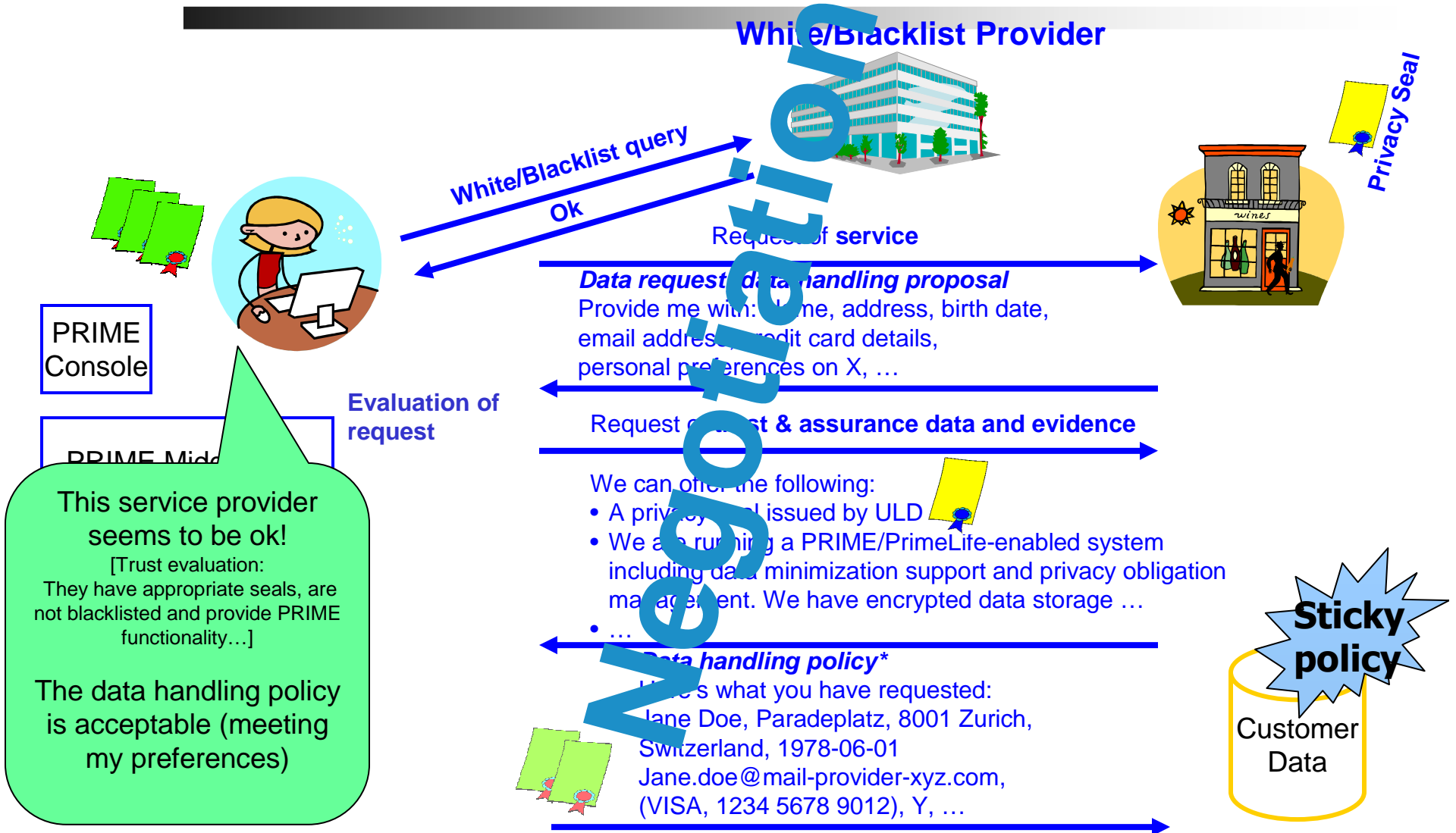


Here's what you have requested:
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Jane.doe@mail-provider-xyz.com, VISA 1234 5678 9012, ...



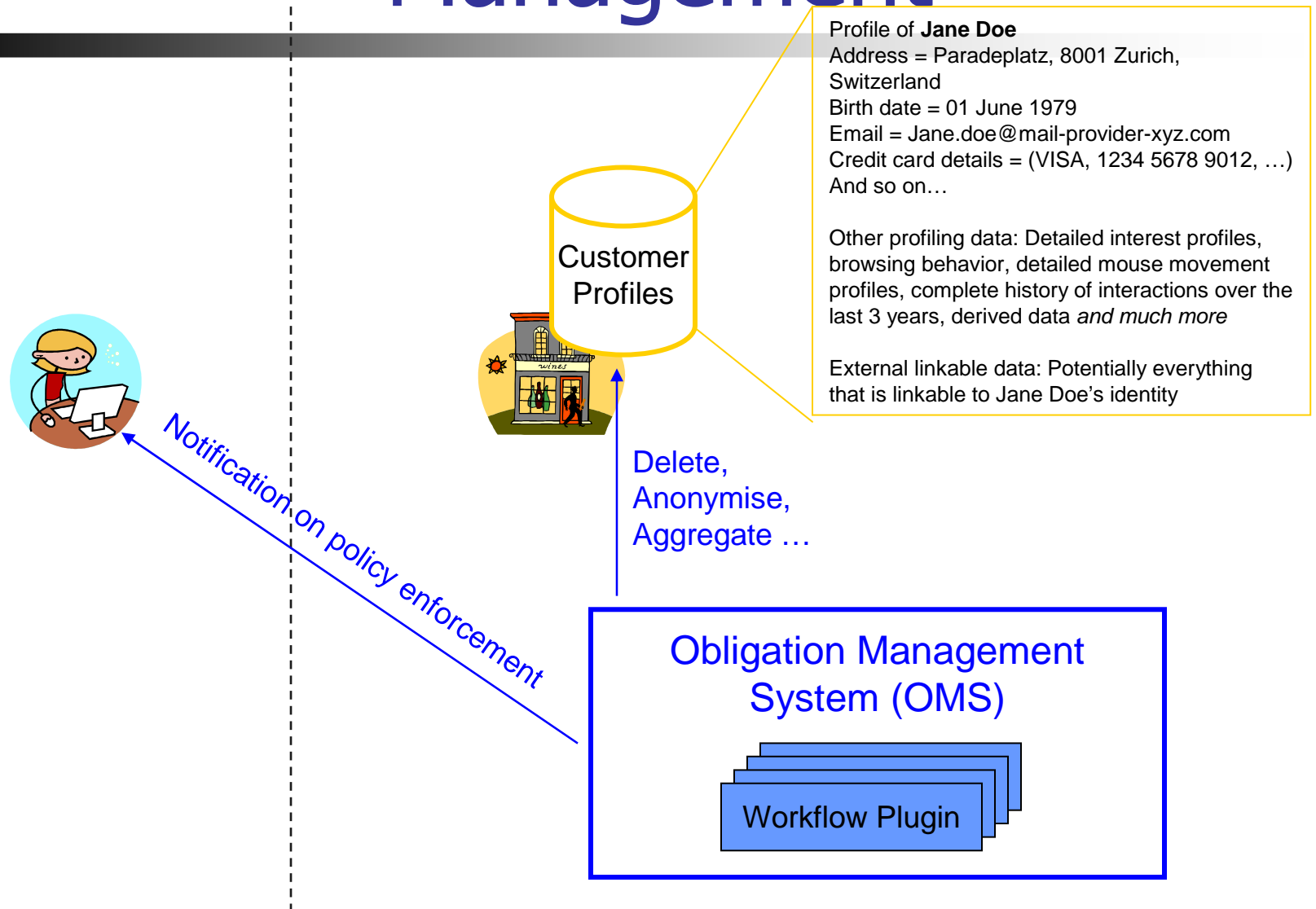
PRIME/PrimeLife Model

White/Blacklist Provider





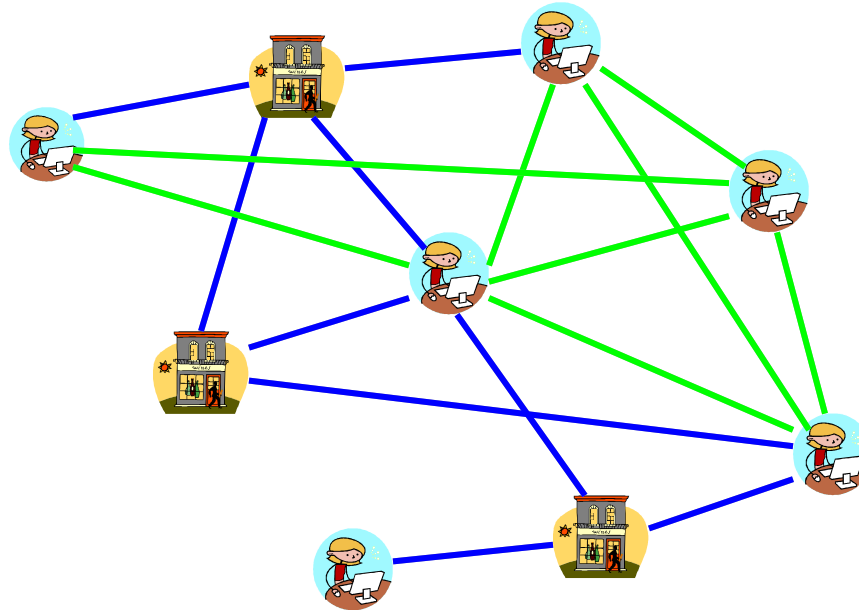
Privacy Obligation Management





User-to-server interactions

[discussed so far]



What about user-to-user interactions?

- PRIME architecture is symmetric!
- Open and expressive RDF-based data model
- Technologies apply similarly
- Humans on both sides of the negotiation



PrimeLife

<http://www.primelife.eu/>

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■ **Bringing Sustainable Privacy and Identity Management to Future Networks and Services**

- Fundamentally understanding privacy-enhancing identity management 'for life'
- Bringing Privacy to the future web/social networks
- Research on Policies, HCI, Infrastructures

■ **Beyond data minimization:**

- Address data-intensive scenarios and user-generated content (Web 2.0, virtual communities such as Friendster, SecondLife)

■ **Make privacy-enhancing identity management widely available:**

- Infrastructures, Open Source, and Standards
- Cooperation with other Projects (Master, TAS3, SWIFT,...),
- Education (summer schools, ...)



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HCI Challenges addressed by PrimeLife

- User-friendly representation of complex technical privacy concepts
 - Unlinkability, pseudonymity, privacy policy management, anonymous credential selection,...
- Mapping legal privacy requirements
 - Informed consent, transparency,...
- Mapping social requirements
 - Mediating trust, raising awareness,...
- Providing security
 - Against phishing, spoofing,...





Conclusions

- Identity-Anonymity Paradox: Reliable Identifiers → Anonymity
- Anonymity → Privacy-enhancing Identity Management
- Holistic Approach to PETs is needed!



Questions ?

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