

Security of Online Social Networks

Access Control

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Overview Lesson 05

Access Control Principles

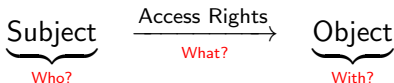
Social Graph based Access Control

RDF Access Control

Facebook Defaults

Objective

to control:



Examples:

- ▶ “You may show my pictures to Alice.”
- ▶ `-rw-r--r-- 1 lars lars [...] 05-accesscontrol.pdf`

- ▶ Discretionary Access Control (DAC)
- ▶ Mandatory Access Control (MAC)
- ▶ Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)

Models

- ▶ Access Control Matrix
 - ▶ Capabilities
 - ▶ Access Control Lists
- ▶ Security Labels
 - ▶ Bell LaPadula
 - ▶ Chinese Wall Model (Brewer and Nash model)

Access Control Matrix

	o_1	\dots	o_m	s_1	\dots	o_n
s_1						
s_2						
\vdots						
s_m						

- ▶ Subjects: $S = \{s_1 \dots s_m\}$
- ▶ Objects: $O = \{o_1 \dots o_n\}$
- ▶ Rights: $R = \{r_1 \dots r_k\}$

$$A[s_i, o_j] = \{r_{ij_1}, \dots, r_{ij_l}\}$$

Subject s_i has Rights $r_{ij_1}, \dots, r_{ij_l}$ to Object o_j .

Social Graph based Access Control

Graph Attribute Access Rights

$$G = (V, E, p, a)$$

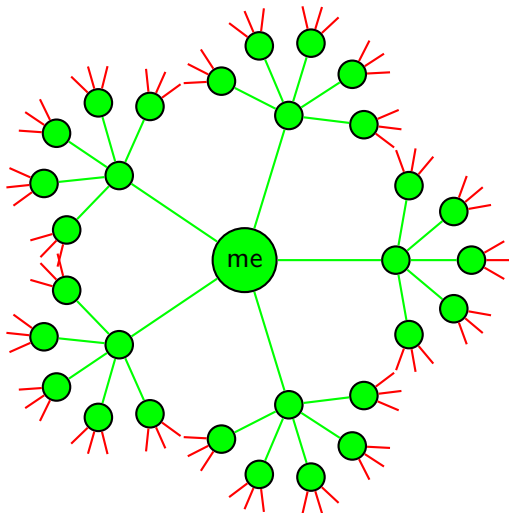
V : vertices

E : edges

$p : V \rightarrow$ personal attribs

$a : E \rightarrow$ link attribs

- ▶ Node Relation Attributes
- ▶ Distance $d : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Conditioned Path/WoT
- ▶ Labels
 - ▶ Similarity e.g. Group
 - ▶ Requirement
 - ▶ Streams/Aspects/Circles



Path Distance

Access Control:

max 2 hops (FoaF)

RDF Access Control

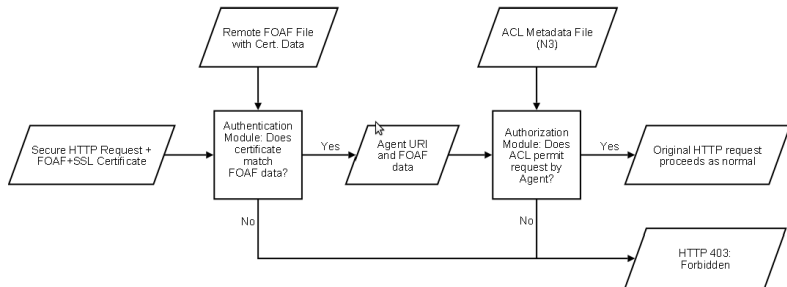
W3C ACL for FoaF

- ▶ Hollenbach, Presbrey, Berners-Lee: Using RDF Metadata To Enable Access Control on the Social Semantic Web, 2009
- ▶ Basic Access Control ontology
<http://www.w3.org/ns/auth/acl>
- ▶ Apache mod authn webid
- ▶ Working Prototype for AC Management GUI
<http://dig.csail.mit.edu/2009/ac1sidebar>

```
@prefix acl: <http://www.w3.org/ns/auth/acl#> .  
[]  
  a acl:Authorization ;  
  acl:defaultForNew <.> ;  
  acl:accessTo <foaf.rdf> ;  
  acl:agent <http://presbrey.mit.edu/foaf#presbrey> ;  
  acl:mode acl:Control, acl:Read, acl:Write .  
[]  
  a acl:Authorization ;  
  acl:accessTo <foaf.rdf> ;  
  acl:agentClass <http://xmlns.com/foaf/0.1/Agent> ;  
  acl:mode acl:Read.
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[Hollenbach, Presbrey, Berners-Lee: Using RDF Metadata To Enable Access Control on the Social Semantic Web 2009]

Authentication Process



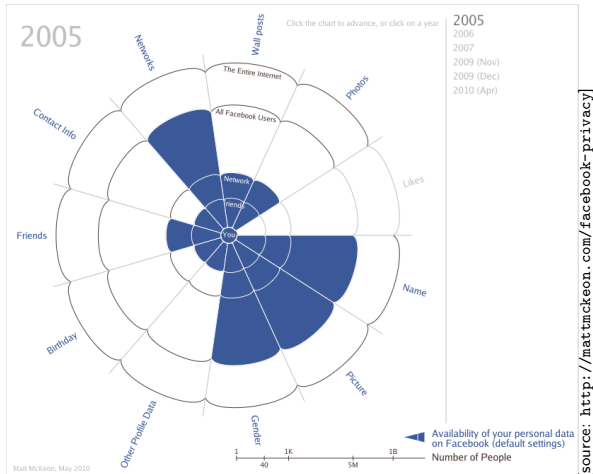
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Discussion W3C ACL

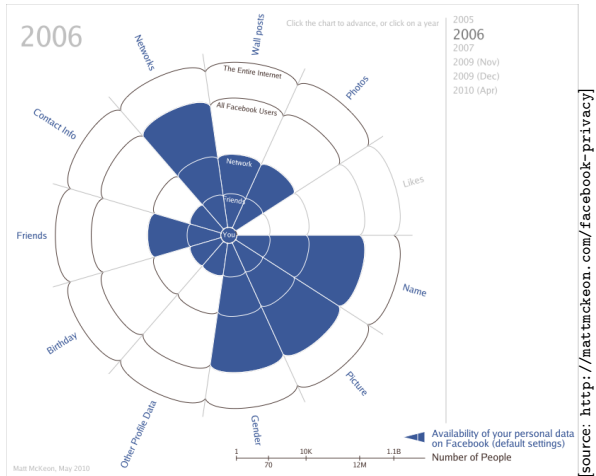
- ▶ Group rights agentClass
- ▶ Express “Friend-distance read rights”?

Facebook Defaults

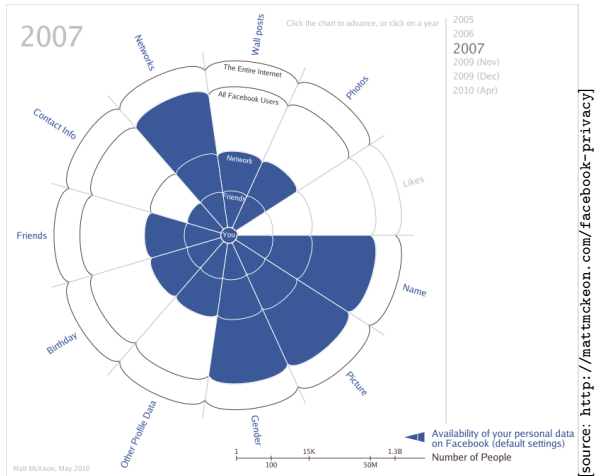
Facebook Default View Rights



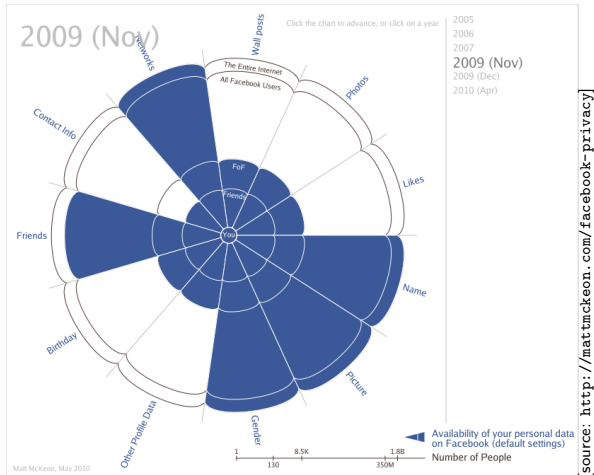
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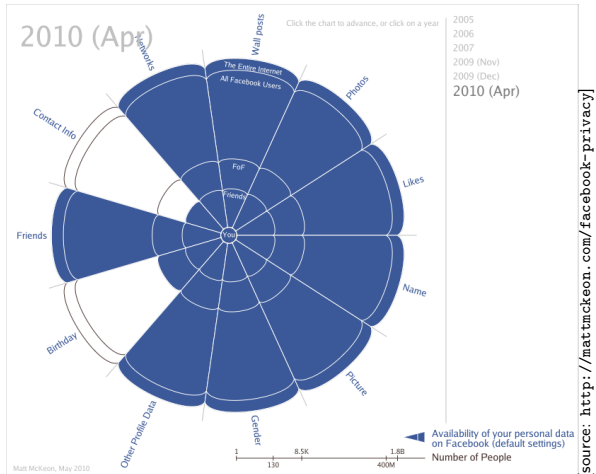
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