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# Grading

- We've caught up on a lot of the earlier grading
  - \* Email I sent out shows what we've done and what we haven't done yet
  - \* If you think that something is missing or wrong
    - Send your TA an email message and copy me



### Announcements

- No school on Monday
  - \* Memorial Day is an official UW holiday
    - Special hours at libraries and computer labs
- Tuesday
  - \* Our labs and drop-in labs are canceled



## Shhh, It's a Secret

Digital Privacy



## Privacy

- What's different about digital privacy?
  - \* So many databases
  - \* So easy to link them up



### Video

• <u>Pizza Palace</u>



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# Privacy: Whose Information Is It?

- What is privacy? Examine a transaction of buying Dating for Total Dummies
  - \* Information linking the purchase with the customer
- How can the information be used?
  - \* Book merchant collecting information is ordinary business practice
  - \* Book merchant sending advertisements to customer is ordinary business practice
  - \* What about merchant selling information to other businesses?



# Modern Devices and Privacy

- Modern devices make it possible to violate people's privacy without their knowledge
- In 1890, Brandeis wrote that individuals deserve "sufficient safeguards against improper circulation" of their images



# Controlling the Use of Information

- Spectrum of control spans four main possibilities:
  - 1. No uses. Information should be deleted when the store is finished with it
  - 2. Approval or Opt-in. Store can use it for other purposes with customer's approval
  - 3. Objection or Opt-out. Store can use it for other purposes if customer does not object
  - 4. **No limits**. Information can be used any way the store chooses
  - 5. Fifth possibility is **internal use**—store can use information to continue conducting business with you



# A Privacy Definition

- Privacy: The right of people to choose freely under what circumstances and to what extent they will reveal themselves, their attitude, and their behavior to others
- Threats to Privacy: Government and business
- Voluntary Disclosure: We choose to reveal information in return for real benefits (doctor, credit card company)



### Fair Information Practices

- OECD (Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development) in 1980 developed the standard eight-point list of privacy principles.
  - 1. Limited Collection Principle
  - 2. Quality Principle
  - 3. Purpose Principle
  - 4. Use Limitation Principle
  - 5. Security Principle
  - 6. Openness Principle
  - 7. Participation Principle
  - 8. Accountability Principle



# Comparing Privacy Across the Atlantic

- U.S. has not adopted OECD principles
- China does not protect privacy
- European Union has European Data Protection Directive (OECD principles)
- EU Directive requires data on EU citizens to be protected at same standard even after it leaves their country



# US Laws Protecting Privacy

- Privacy Act of 1974 covers interaction with government
- Interactions with business:
  - \* Electronic Communication Privacy Act of 1986
  - Video Privacy Protection Act of 1988
  - \* Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991
  - Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994
  - Health Insurance Privacy and Accountability Act of 1996
- These all deal with specific business sectors—not 13-12 an omnibus solution



# Privacy Principles: European Union

- Two points of disagreement between FTC (US) and OECD (Europe):
  - \* Opt-in/Opt-out
    - When can an organization use information it collects for one purpose, for a different purpose?
    - Opt-out is US standard except for highly sensitive data; Opt-in is European standard
  - \* Compliance/Enforcement
    - US has "voluntary compliance," EU has offices to control data



# A Privacy Success Story

#### Do-Not-Call List

- \* Telemarketing industry's "self-policing" mechanism required individuals to write a letter or pay an on-line fee to stop telemarketing calls
- \* US government set up Do-Not-Call List. Over 107,000,000 households are on the list and telemarketing industry has largely collapsed



### The Cookie Monster

- Cookie: Record containing seven fields of information that uniquely identify a customer's session on a website. Cookie is stored on customer's hard drive.
- Abuse: Third-party cookie
  - \* Third party advertisers on web site enter client/server relationship with customer as page loads
  - \* Advertiser can set cookies, and can access cookies when user views other websites that advertiser uses



# The Cookie Monster (Cont'd)

- Browser options:
  - \* Turn off cookies
  - Ask each time a server wants to set a cookie
  - \* Accept all cookies



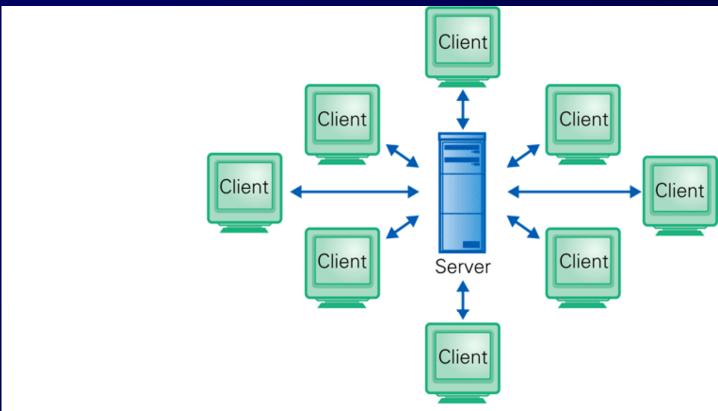


Figure 13.1 Server's view of the client/server relationship.



# Identity Theft

- Americans do not enjoy the Security Principle
  - \* Those who hold private information are obliged to maintain its privacy against unauthorized access and other hazards
- Identity theft is the crime of posing as someone else for fraudulent purposes
  - \* Using information about person like credit card numbers, social security numbers



# Managing Your Privacy

- Purchase up-to-date anti-virus/antispyware software
- Adjust your cookie preferences to match your comfort level
- Read the privacy statement of any website you give information to
- Review protections against phishing scams



# Managing Your Privacy (cont'd)

- Patronize reputable companies for music, software, etc.
- Be skeptical
- Stay familiar with current assaults on privacy
- Lobby for US adoption of Fair Information Practices



### Video

Avoid IDentity Theft



# For Friday

- Read chapters 14-15 in Fluency
- Read chapter 3 in *QuickStart*