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### **INFSCI 2955 Special Topics on Security Assured Health Informatics**

## Attribute-based Access Control in Health Informatics Domain

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# **Access Control Review**

from DAC/MAC/RBAC to ABAC

## Security Terms



### **Access Control**

### **Access Control Mechanism**



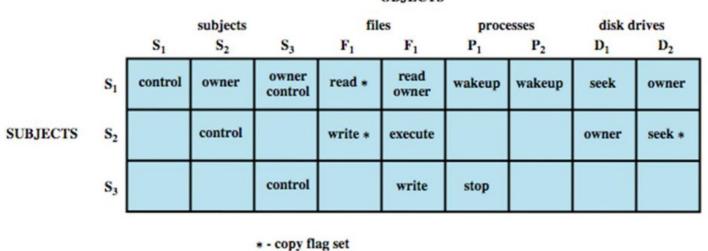


**Subject** e.g., authenticated users **Object** e.g., file, data, resouruce

*A logical component that serves to i) receive the access for an Object from a Subject ii) and decide and enforce the access decision " a definition from NIST*

### **Discretionary Access Control**

- DAC Model
  - Owner's responsibility to define rights of each subject on the object
  - Key properties
    - Decentralized discretion of each individual owner
    - Permission rule are attached to object



OBJECTS

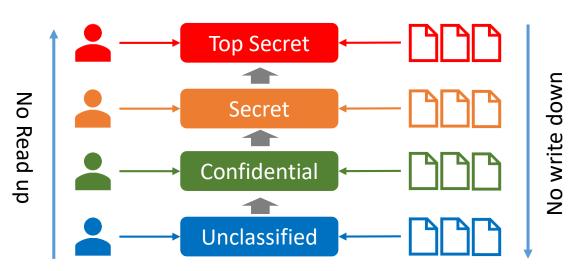
Typical example: HRU model

### Access Control Matrix example

Protection State is defined as a triplet: (S, O, A)

## Mandatory Access Control

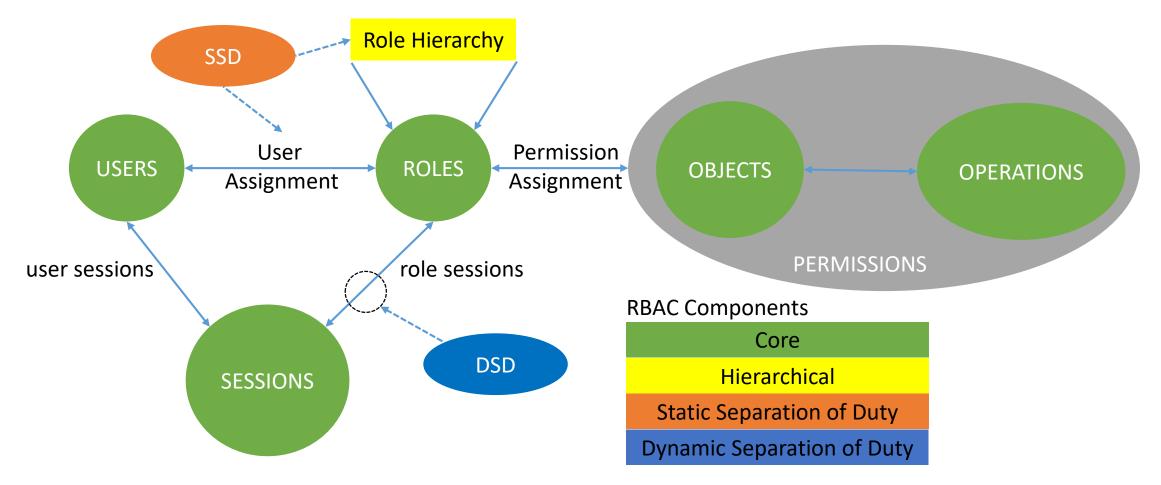
- MAC Model
  - Access decision are take and enforced by the security system
  - Key properties
    - Centralized
    - Most restrictive model military style model
    - Adopted in highly sensitive application scenario



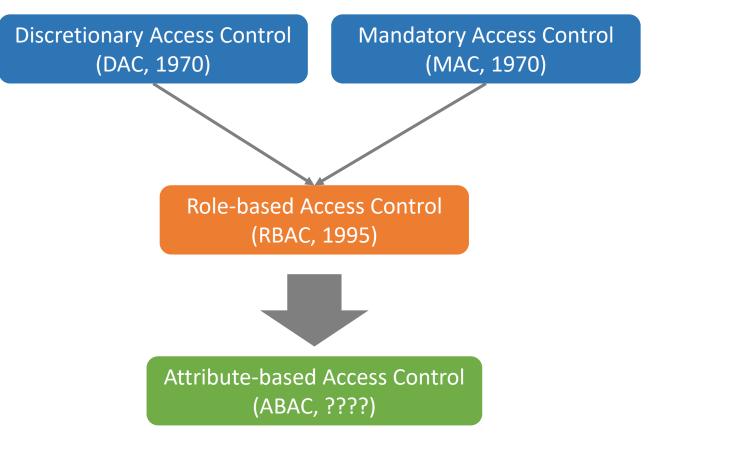
Typical example: Bell-LaPadula, BIBA, Chinese-Wall etc.

### **Role-based Access Control**

Subjects are assigned Roles which have predefined associated Permissions to perform certain Operation on the Objects.



### **Access Control Review**



Fixed Policy Administration Driven Enterprise Oriented



### SO FAR: numerous other models, but only 3 successes

Flexible Policy Automated Adaptive Beyond Enterprise

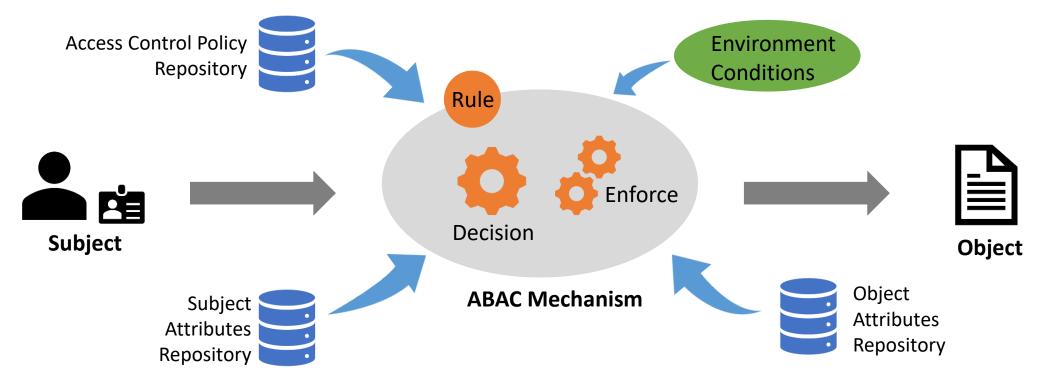
# Attribute-based Access Control

from Conventional ABAC to Crypto-based ABAC

### **Attribute-based Access Control**

"An access control method where subject requests to perform operations on objects are granted or denied based on assigned attributes of the subject, assigned attributes of the object, environment conditions, and a set of policies that are specified in terms of those attributes and conditions"





### Why ABAC – RBAC/DAC/MAC vs. ABAC

### ABAC model

- **Dynamic** access control permissions are evaluated at the time of actual request is made
- **Contextual** environmental conditions may be considered
- Fine grained attribute based, so detailed rules can be formed

### Traditional AC model

- **Static** access control permissions are predetermined
- Limited context environmental conditions are not fully considered (time, location, environmental roles, etc.)
- **Coarse** classification is done at high abstraction level

## Why ABAC – An Intuitive Example

Access Policy:

Managers of the auditing department in Pittsburgh can inspect the financial reports from the current financial year within office hours.

### What will RBAC do with this case? -- role explosion



Subject

- Identity
- Position
- Location
- Department



Object

- Туре
- Date
- Label



- Environment
- Device Type
- Timestamp
- System State



Action

- Action Type
- Amount

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## Why ABAC – Key Features of ABAC

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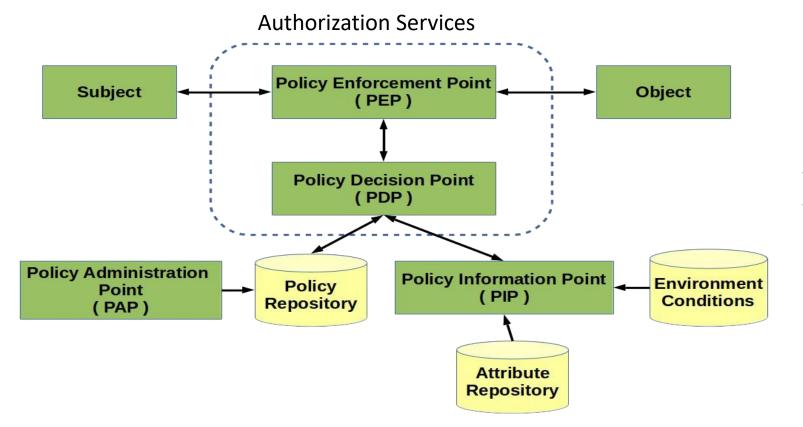
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- Fine-grained access control
- Context-aware access control
- Dynamic access control

## Conventional ABAC Framework

A framework of ABAC mechanism

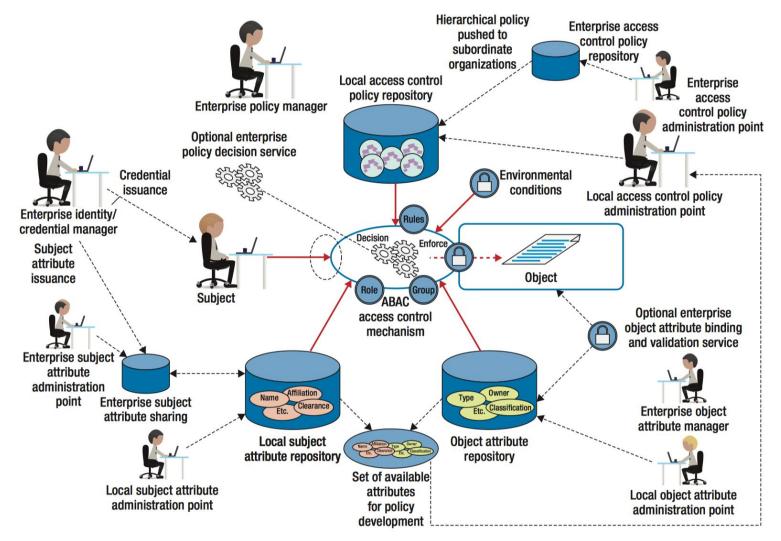


### Note that

PEP, PDP, PAP & PIP may be on same machine or may be physically separated

Extended the architecture of RBAC

## **Conventional ABAC Framework Scenario**



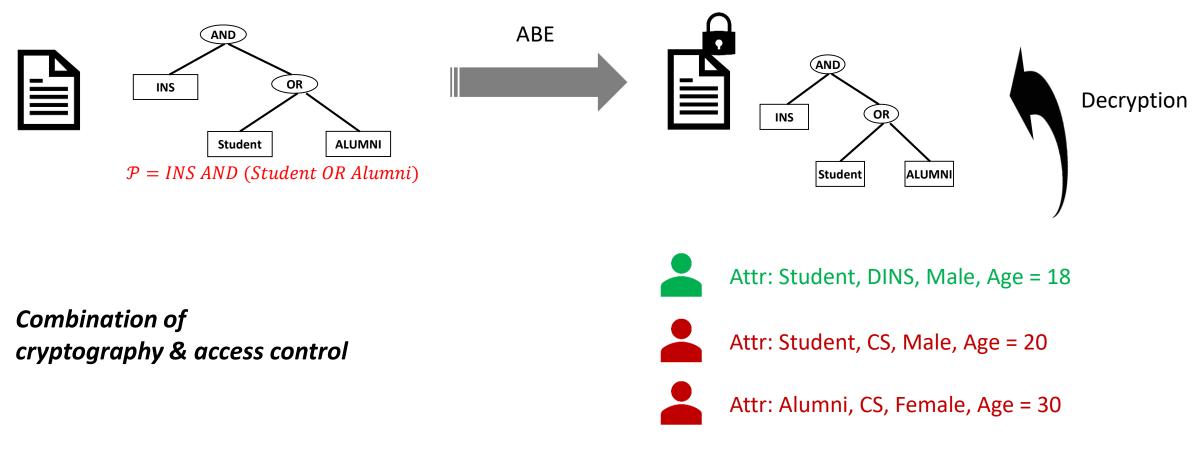
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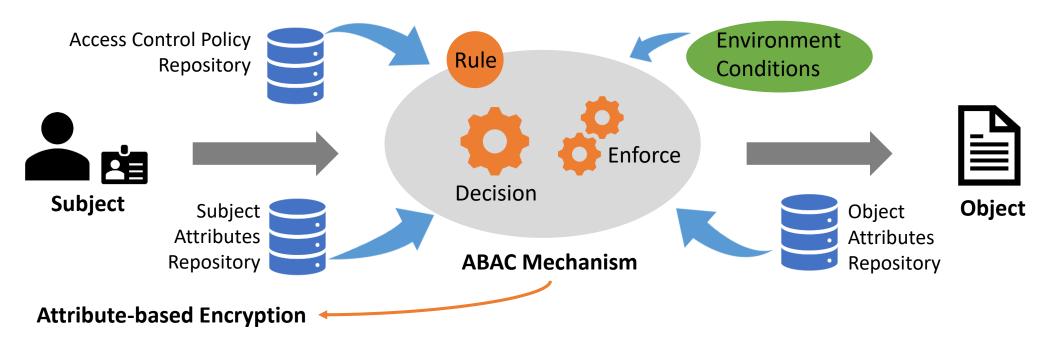
## Crypto-based ABAC – Attribute-based Encryption

### An intuitive example

Anyone who is student or alumni from INS department can access the file.

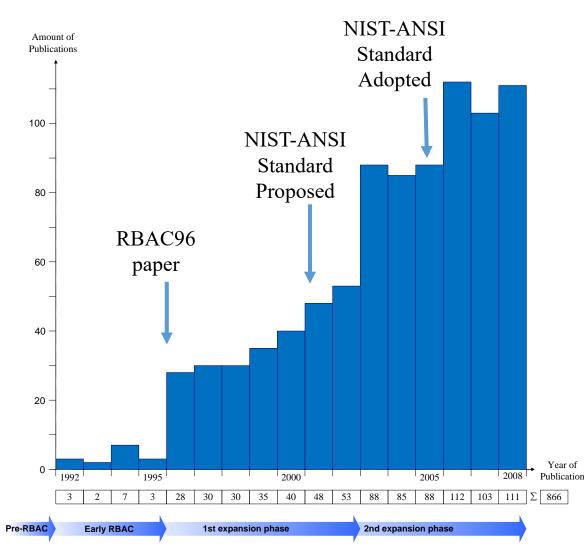


### ABE – from the ABAC perspective



- Decision/Enforce -- PIP/PAP  $\rightarrow$  Third Party Authority, PDP/PEP  $\rightarrow$  build-in automatically
- Access Policy -- owner defined access policy or access attribute set
- Subject's Attributes -- CP-ABE, subject has attribute set
- Object's Attributes -- KP-ABE, object is attached with attribute set
- Environment Conditions -- environment condition can be involved in access policy
- Additional Feature: Confidentiality

### **ABAC Prospect**



### How about Attribute-based Access Control ?

### Maybe still in pre-/early phase

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### **Crypto-based ABAC Prospect**

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#### Role-based access control models

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#### TRBAC: A temporal role-based access control model

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#### Fuzzy identity-based encryption

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... Shamir's secret sharing within the exponent gives our scheme the crucial **property** of being error-tolerant since only a subset of the private key components ... In the example of **attribute-based encryption** we would like to have flexibility in the number of **attributes** required to ...

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#### Attribute-based encryption for fine-grained access control of encrypted data

 V Goyal, O Pandey, A Sahai, B Waters - ... of the 13th ACM conference on ..., 2006 - dl.acm.org

 As more sensitive data is shared and stored by third-party sites on the Internet, there will be

 a need to encrypt data stored at these sites. One drawback of encrypting data, is that it can

 be selectively shared only at a coarse-grained level (ie, giving another party your private ...

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#### Ciphertext-policy attribute-based encryption

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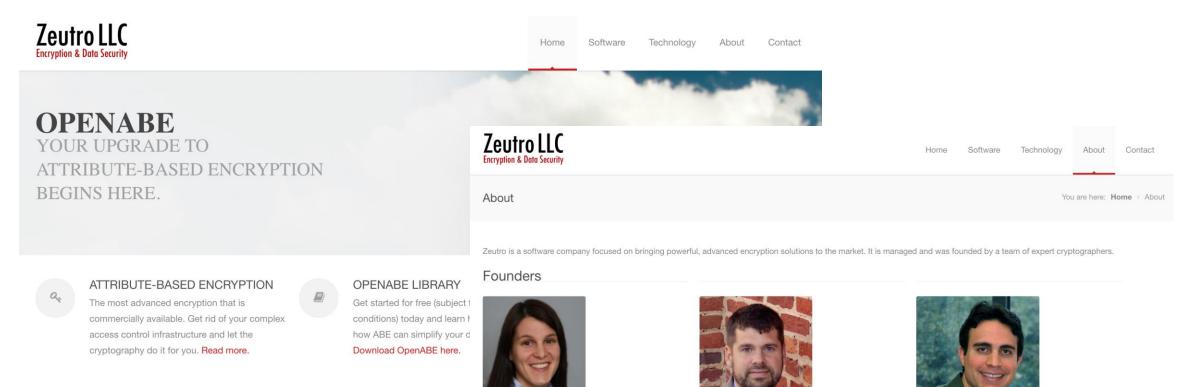
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## Crypto-based ABAC Prospect

An startup focuses on advanced encryption solutions, e.g., ABE



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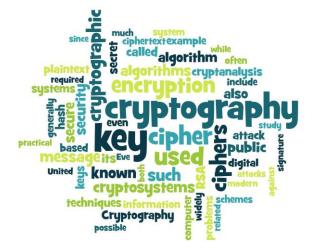
# **Attribute-based Encryption**

An Introduction to Crypto and ABE

## Cryptography

### What's in your mind?

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(cipher pig pen font)

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of the private key for T is identical to that in the original scheme. An motod in [22], having large universe allows us to apply a callision resistant hash function  $H : \{0, 1\}^{1} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2}$  and use arbitrary string, that were not increasedly on another of the arbitrary string, that were not increasedly on an arbitrary string, that were not increasedly on an arbitrary string that tribute, such as "Lives in Beverly Hills", to a user's private key.

 $E = (\gamma, E' = m_{t'}Z, \{E_{i} = C^{r_{i}}\}_{i \in \gamma})$ 

Let G be a bilinear group of prime order p, and let g be a generator of G<sub>1</sub>. Additionally, let  $e: G_1 \times G_1 \rightarrow G_2$  denote the bilinear map. A security parameter, s, will determine the size of the groups. Also define the Lagrange coefficient  $\Delta_{i,S}$  for  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and a set, S, of elements in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ , exactly as If  $\mu = 0$  then  $Z = e(g, g)^{abc}$ . If we let s = c, then we have  $Y^s = (e(g, g)^{ab})^c = e(g, g)^{abc}$ , and  $E_i = (g^{r_1})^c = C^{r_1}$ . Therefore, the ciphertext is a valid random encryption of Incretore, the cipnertext is a vanin random encryption or message  $m_{\nu}$ . Otherwise, if  $\mu = 1$ , then  $Z = e(g,g)^*$ . We then have  $E' = m_{\nu}(q,g)^*$ . Since z is random, E' will be a random element of  $G_2$  from the adversaries view and the message contains no information about  $m_{\nu}$ . before. The data will be encrypted under a set  $\gamma$  of n elements<sup>4</sup> of  $\mathbb{Z}_{p}^{*}$ . Our construction follows.

5.1 Description

Phase 2 The simulator acts exactly as it did in Phase 1.

Now choose a random element  $g_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$  and  $m \in g_1 = g$ . Now choose a random element  $g_2 \in \mathbb{G}_1$ . Next, choose  $t_1, \ldots, t_{n+1}$  uniformly at random from  $\mathbb{G}_1$ . Let N be the set  $\{1, 2, \ldots, n+1\}$ . Define a function T, as: Guess A will submit a guess  $\nu'$  of  $\nu$ . If  $\nu' = \nu$  the simulator will output  $\mu' = 0$  to indicate that it was given a valid BDH-tuple otherwise it will output  $\mu' = 1$  to indicate

it was given a random 4-tuple. As shown in the construction the simulator's generation of public parameters and private keys is identical to that of the actual scheme. Function T can be viewed as the function  $g_2^{X^n}g^{b(X)}$  for some n degree polynomial h. The public parameters PK are:  $g_1, g_2, t_1, \ldots, t_{n+1}$  and the master key MK is: y. the actual scheme. In the case where  $\mu=1$  the adversary gains no information about  $\nu$ . Therefore, we have  $\Pr[\nu\neq\nu'|\mu=1]=\frac{1}{2}$ . Since the simulator gasses  $\mu'=1$  when  $\nu\neq\nu'$ , we have  $\Pr[\mu'=\mu|\mu=1]=\frac{1}{2}$ . If  $\mu=0$  then the adversary sees an encryption of  $m_{\nu}$ . The Encryption  $(m, \gamma, PK)$  To encrypt a message  $m \in G$ and publish the ciphertext as:

adversary's advantage in this situation is  $\epsilon$  by definition. Therefore, we have  $\Pr[\nu = \nu'|\mu = 0] = \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon$ . Since the simulator guesses  $\mu' = 0$  when  $\nu = \nu'$ , we have  $\Pr[\mu' =$  $\mu|\mu = 0] = \frac{1}{2} + \epsilon.$ The overall advantage of the simulator in the Decisional The overall advantage of the similator in the Decisional BDH game is  $\frac{1}{2} \Pr[\mu' = \mu|\mu = 0] + \frac{1}{2} \Pr[\mu' = \mu|\mu = 1] - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2} + \epsilon) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon.$ 

Chosen-Ciphertext Security. Our security definitions and proofs have been in the chosen-plaintext model. Simi-lar to [32], we notice that our construction can be extended to the chosen-ciphertext model by applying the technique to the encouen-ephertext model by applying the technique of using simulation-sound NZK proofs to achieve chosen-ciphertext security [31]. However, in Section 9 we describe how our delegation mechanism can be used with the tech-niques of Cannetti, Halevi, and Katz [16] to achieve a much more efficient CCA-2 system.

#### 5. LARGE UNIVERSE CONSTRUCTION

5. LARGE UNIVERSE CONSTRUCTION In our previous constructions, the size of public parameters grows insuch with the number of possible attributes in which these in the long autyrees construction of Sabial and Waters [20], we construct another scheme which uses all ements in Z<sub>2</sub> are the universe. Yet the size of public parameters only grow lisearly in a parameter n. The parameter nucle and mater at the maximum also of the set γ we can energy thunder.<sup>1</sup>

 $\overline{{}^{3}}$ If we are willing to accept random oracles [4], it is possible to overcome the size-limitation on  $\gamma$  by replacing the func-tion T(X) in our construction (see Setup) by a hash function

where  $r_x$  is chosen uniformly at random from  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  for each node x. The set of above secret pairs is the decryption key (see [30] for details). This also improves the efficiency of the

node x, we give the following secret values to the user:

 $D_x \hspace{.1in} = \hspace{.1in} g_2^{q_d \hspace{.05in} (0)} \cdot T(i)^{r_x} \hspace{.1in} \text{where} \hspace{.1in} i = \operatorname{att}(x)$ 

 $\mathbf{Setup}\ (n) \quad \text{Choose a random value } y \in \mathbb{Z}_p \text{ and let } g_1 = g^y.$ 

 $T(X) = g_2^{X^n} \prod_{i=1}^{n+1} t_i^{\Delta_{i,N}(X)}.$ 

under a set of attributes  $\gamma$ , choose a random value  $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ 

 $E = (\gamma, E' = me(g_1, g_2)^s, E'' = g^s, \{E_i = T(i)^s\}_{i \in \gamma}).$ 

system. <sup>4</sup>With some minor modifications, which we omit for simplic-ity, we can encrypt to all sets of size  $\leq n$ .

 $R_{\sigma} = g^{r_{\sigma}}$ 

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### What is Cryptography?

Cryptography is the practice and study of techniques for secure communication in the presence of third parties called adversaries.....

-- from Wikipedia

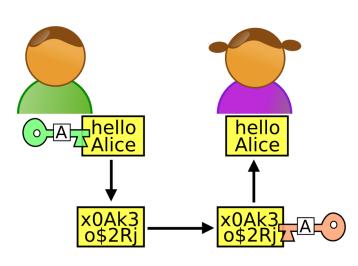
Unofficial but Interesting (Weird) Introduction to Basic Cryptography

BTW, here are official ways to learn cryptography.

Some courses from School of Computing and Information

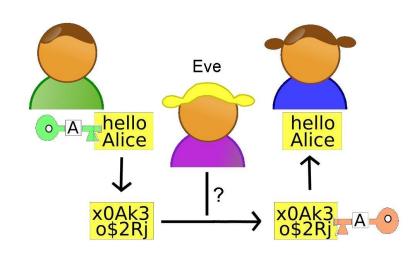
- INFSCI 2170/TELCOM 2820: Cryptography
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- CS 1653: Applied Cryptography and Network Security

### **Famous Persons**



Their only hobby is talking about secrets





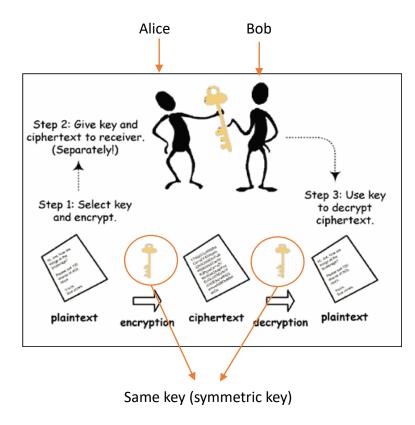
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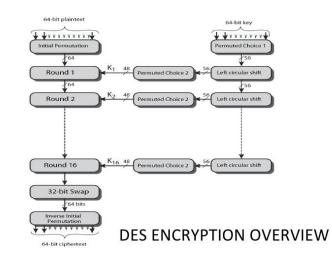
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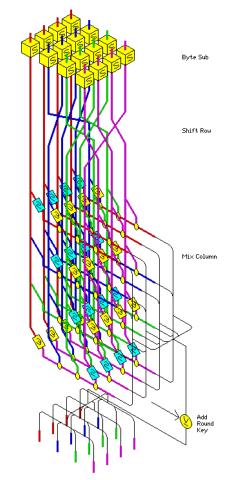
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- Symmetric-key Encryption
  - AES, DES, RC4...
- How it works





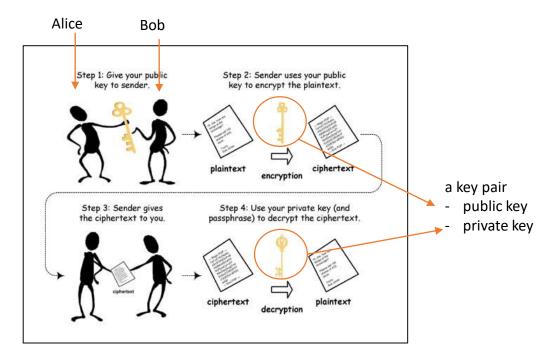
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data\_Encryption\_Standard



### Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

Here is a simple example to illustrate the principle http://www.quadibloc.com/crypto/co040401.htm

- Public-key Encryption
  - RSA, DH-key exchange, IBE, ABE...
- How it works



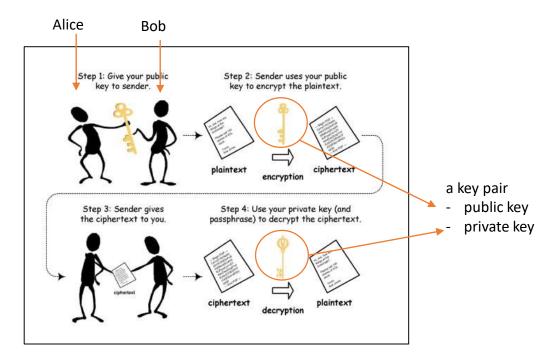
### **RSA Algorithm**

	Key Generation			
Select $p, q$	p and $q$ both prime			
Calculate n	$n = p \times q$			
Select integer d	$gcd(\phi(n), d) = 1; 1 < d < \phi(n)$			
Calculate e	$e = d^{-1} \mod \phi(n)$			
Public Key	$\mathbf{KU} = \{e, n\}$			
Private Key	$\mathrm{KR} = \{d, n\}$			
	Encryption			
Plaintext: $M < n$				
Ciphertext: $C = M^e$ (1	mod n)			
Decryption				
Ciphertext: C				

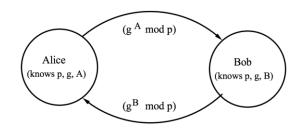
Plaintext:  $M = C^d \pmod{n}$ 

http://doctrina.org/How-RSA-Works-With-Examples.html

- Public-key Encryption
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- How it works



### Diffie-Hellman key exchange



Steps in the algorithm:

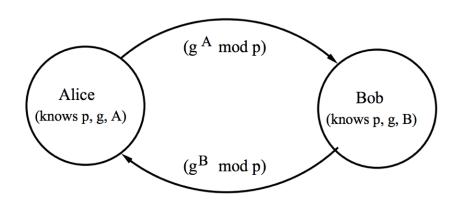
- Alice and Bob agree on a prime number p and a base g.
- O Alice chooses a secret number a, and sends Bob  $(g^a \mod p)$ .
- Observe Bob chooses a secret number b, and sends Alice  $(g^b \mod p)$ .
- Alice computes  $((g^b \mod p)^a \mod p)$ .
- Solution Bob computes  $((g^a \mod p)^b \mod p)$ .

Both Alice and Bob can use this number as their key. Notice that p and g need not be protected.

Design Principle

$$g^{r} g^{-r} -> g^{r} g^{-r} = g^{r-r} = g^{0} = 1$$

- Mathematical construction
  - exponentiation, pairing-based operation (bilinear map, multilinear map), .....
- Computational hardness assumption
  - Computational hardness problem
    - No polynomial time algorithm can solve the problem
- Take DH-key exchange as an example



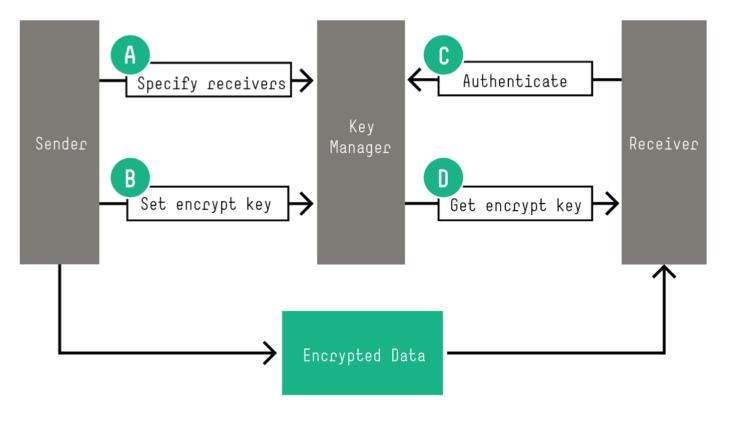
Given g,  $g^A$  and  $g^B$ , it is hard to compute  $g^{AB}$ 

Given g<sup>A</sup> and g, it is hard to compute A Given g and A, it is easy to compute g<sup>A</sup>

Let's review some issues in traditional cryptography approaches

Key Management Issue

High Storage Costs High Availability Needs

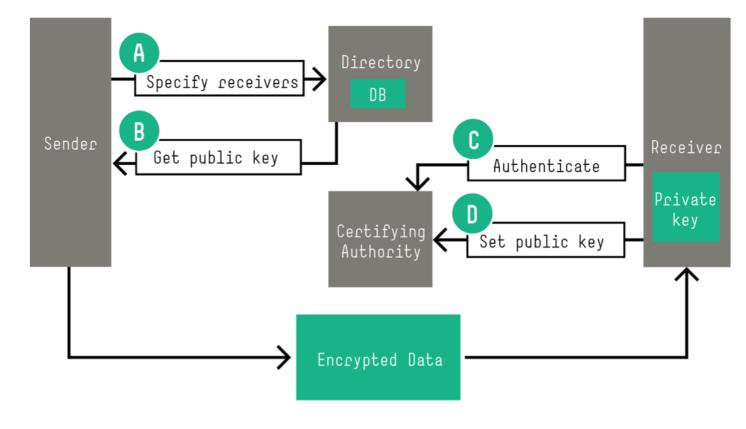


Symmetric Key Management

Let's review some issues in traditional cryptography approaches

Key Management Issue

Do not contact with key server each time Impractical to use and make key recovery difficulty



Certificated-based Key Management

### Let's review some issues in traditional cryptography approaches

REQUIREMENT	SYMMETRIC KEY MANAGEMENT	ΡΚΙ
1. Encrypt	Yes, online connection required.	Often no, when no recipient certificate is available.
2. Decrypt	Yes, online connection required.	Yes.
3. Manage with partner	Yes, but must perform per encryption connection.	Yes, but must publish a directory externally.
4. Integration with infrastructure	Yes, but requires a per decryption lookup.	Not without complex key escrow and sharing.
5. Key recovery	Must maintain a key database.	Must maintain a key database.
6. Scalability	Limited by per-transaction key server operations.	Limited by operational complexity.

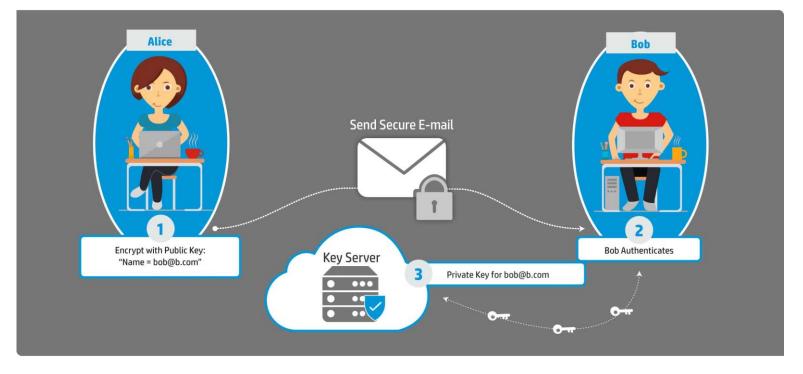
### Both symmetric key management and PKI fall short of meeting all six of the requirements of an effective enterprise key management system

- Motivation
  - Sender must have recipient's certificate
  - Complexity of certificate management/key management
- IBE: Public key encryption scheme where public key is an <u>arbitrary</u> string (id).
  - Examples: user's e-mail address, current-date, ...
- IBE system is made up of 4 algorithms:
  - Setup: generate <u>params</u> and <u>master-key</u>, MK
  - Keygen: given <u>pub-key ID</u> and <u>master-key</u> output <u>priv-key</u>, d<sub>ID</sub>
  - Encrypt: using <u>pub-key</u> ID (and <u>params</u>)
  - Decrypt: using <u>priv-key</u>

An example illustrates how Alice would send a secure email to Bob using IBE

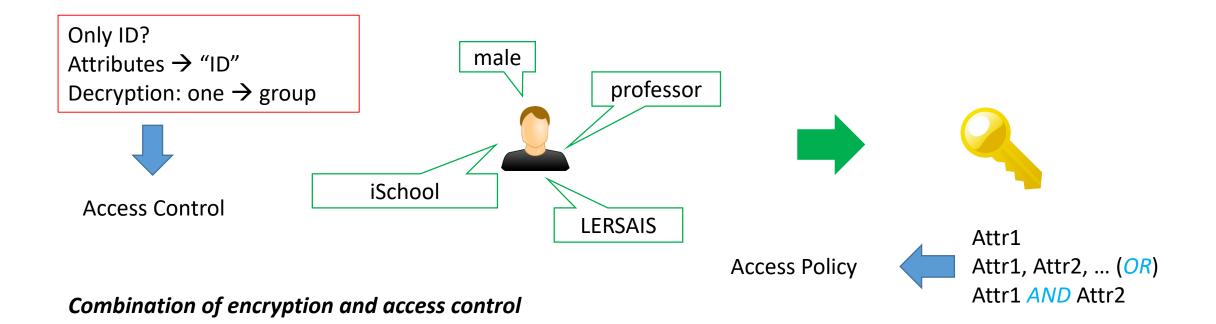
Alice encrypts the email using Bob's e-mail address, "bob@b.com", as the public key.

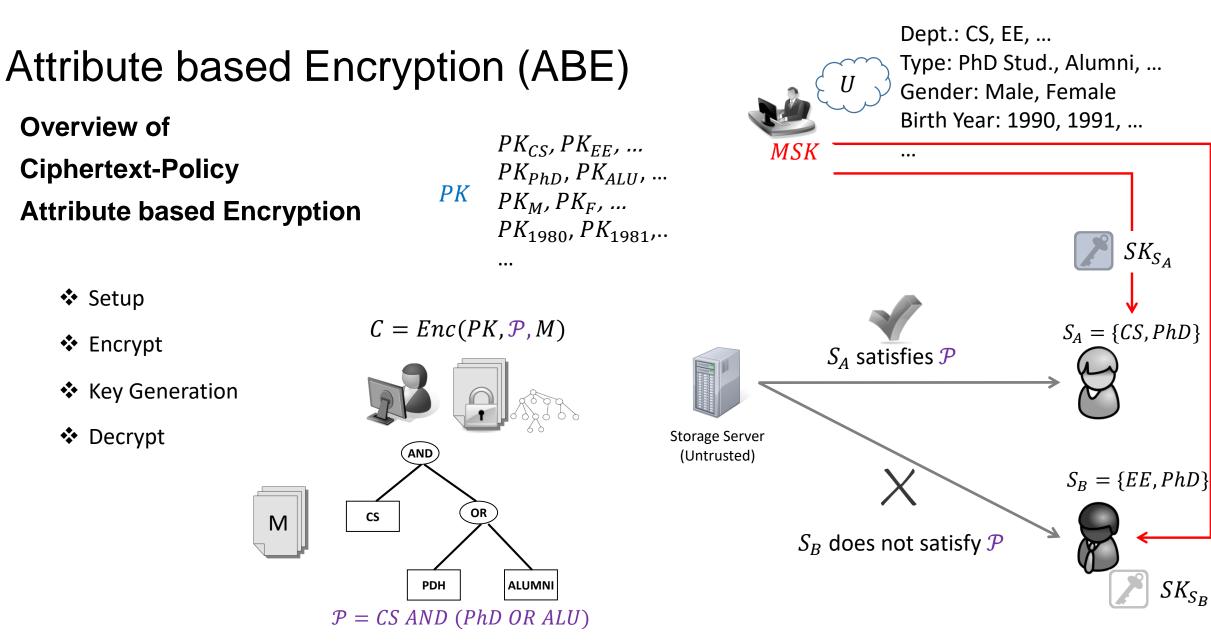
- When Bob receives the message, he contacts the key server. The key server contacts a directory or other external authentication source to authenticate Bob's identity and establish any other policy elements.
- After authenticating Bob, the key server then returns his private key, with which Bob can decrypt the message. This private key can be used to decrypt all future messages received by Bob.



## Attribute based Encryption (ABE)

- Attribute Based Encryption
  - An extend scheme of Identity based Encryption
  - Utilization of attribute information for Encryption/Decryption





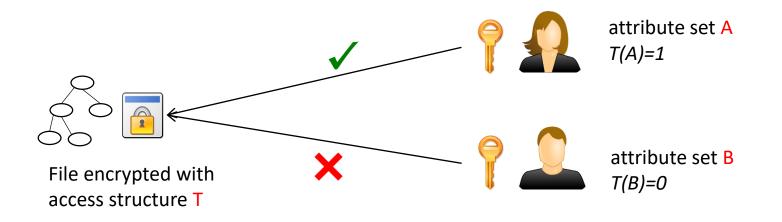
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### Attribute based Encryption (ABE)

Ciphertext Policy Attribute based Encryption



Role-based Access Control  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  CP-ABE

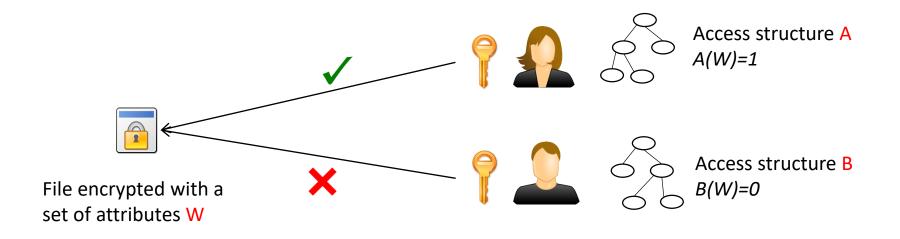
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### Attribute based Encryption (ABE)

Key Policy Attribute based Encryption



Content-based Access Control  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  KP-ABE

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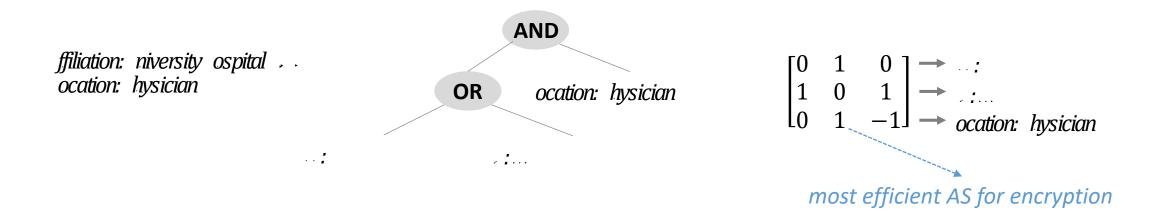
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## Attribute based Encryption (ABE)

### Application: Attribute-based Access Control

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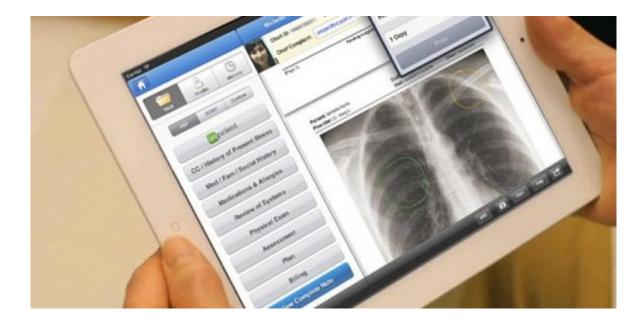


# Application in Health Informatics

Securing Electronic Medical Records Using Attribute-based Encryption on Mobile Devices

### **Electronic Medical Records**

"The systematized collection of patient and population electronically-stored health information in a digital format."



Patients and insurers can avoid repeating studies

Lab tests, Images, Diagnoses, Prescriptions, Medical histories, etc.

e.g., avoid to expose patient to additional radiation.

### **EMR on Mobile Devices**

More patients and physicians are shifting towards accessing EMRs via their mobile devices for quicker record access.



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### **EMR on Mobile Devices -- Concerns**

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#### Biggest EHR challenges for 2018: Security, interoperability, clinician burnout

Hospital and health system execs discuss the hurdles they're facing as they move into the new year – and some of the tools they're using to tackle those challenges.

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A security vulnerability in Android's Accessibility Services — discovered by **SkyCure** security researcher **Yair Amit** — is a great example of this. By exploiting a flaw in the tool that allows blind and visually-impaired individuals to use Android devices, an attacker could gain control of the device, in the process acquiring elevated privileges, and seizing access to the files stored on it.

Let's take a look, and find out how you can stop this from happening.

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### It is possible to exploited vulnerability to bypass application permissions and access users' data

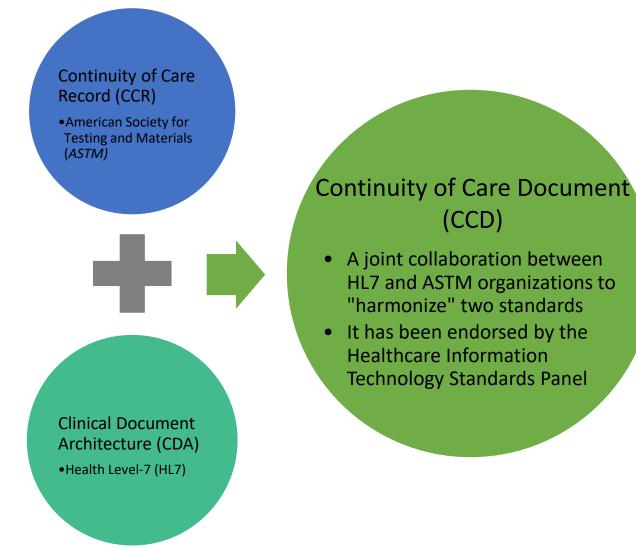
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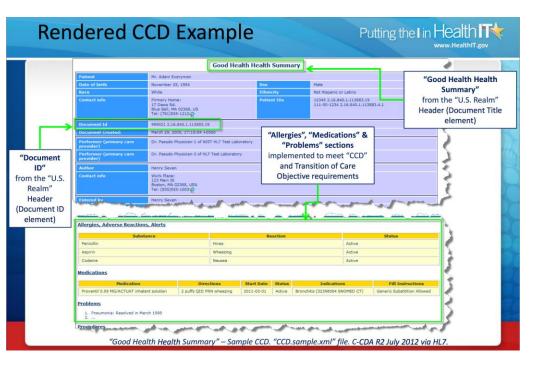
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### Status Quo and Challenge

- EMR systems' reliance on transport security.
  - Recipients of EMRs obtain the cleartext records and are usually cached unprotected on the end device.
- Access control is online only.
- Provider-centric environment.
- Records are not well protected today.
  - Huge clinical employees can access EMRs
  - The server or database is unavailable, access control decisions cannot be made, or records cannot be reached.
- Complexity of access policies.

### **Requirement of Emerging Standards**





"The CCR document instance must be <u>self</u>protecting when possible, and carry sufficient data embedded in the document instance to permit access decisions to be made based upon <u>confidentiality constraints</u> or limitations specific to that instance."

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### ABE Application Scenario

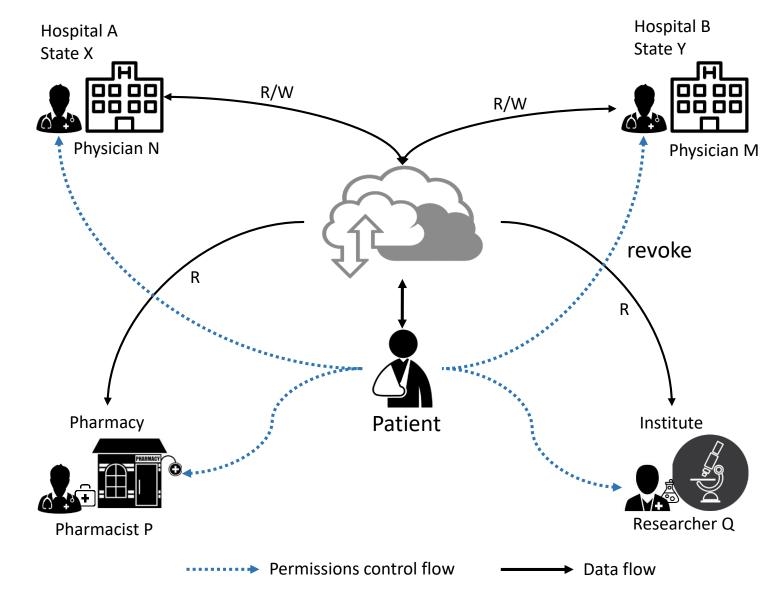
### A patient-centric health application

-- that allows a patient/user to store and manage all his Electronic Health Records (EHRs) by storing them in Cloud Storage

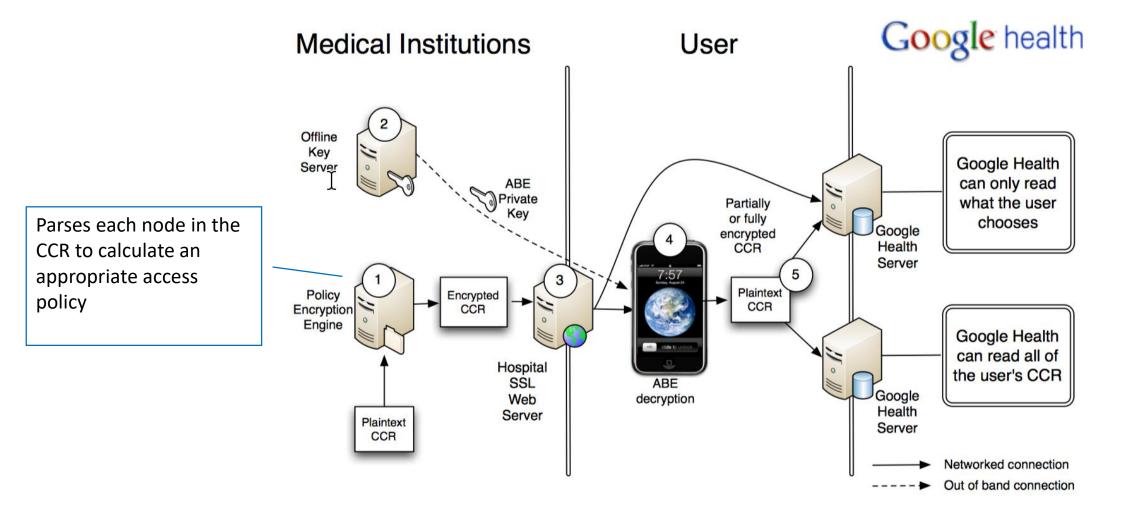
### Similar scenarios:

- User-centric applications
- Organization-centric applications
- Hospital-centric applications

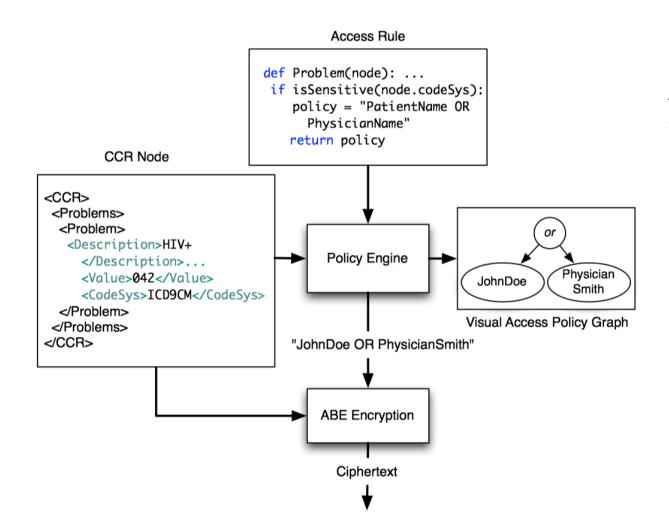
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### Framework Prototype



## **Policy Engine**



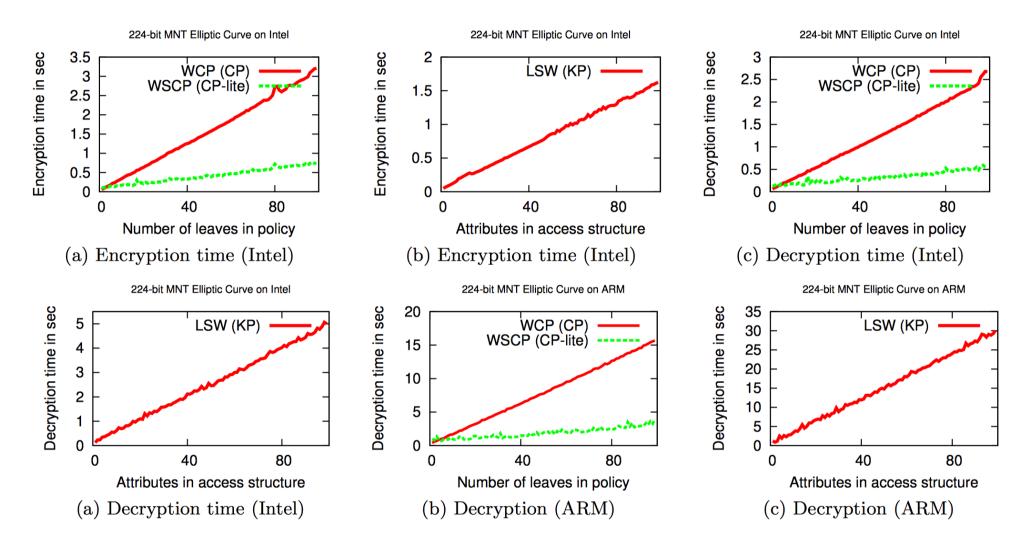
A policy engine prototype that evaluates EMRs based on CCR-compliant metadata.

The policy engine then determines the appropriate access policy from a set of rules created by the provider.

## Key Management

- Offline Key Server (PKG)
  - Initialization
    - physically present at a trusted PKG facility
      - such as a hospital, clinic or Regional Health Information Organization (RHIO)
    - to have their iPhones provisioned with the appropriate ABE decryption keys
      - e.g., via a USB connection / Bluetooth connection
  - Key Update
    - Generates the patient's ABE private keys, a public-key certificate, a RSA public and private key-pair
    - to be used for secure remote key updates.
  - Revocation
    - "Lazy" revocation add a certain time period in generated private key
    - Full revocation employ online mediator / re-encrypt
    - Tradeoffs

### **Computation Performance**



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