

# May 3: Trust and Hybrid Models

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- Trust models
- Chinese Wall model
  - Aggressive Chinese Wall model

# Types of Trust Models

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- Policy-based trust management
- Recommendation-based trust management

# Policy-Based Trust Management

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- Policy *rules* determine whether to trust
- Credentials provide instantiation information
  - Credentials themselves may be input to rules
  - Trusted third parties may be involved
- Generally assume agents act autonomously

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- Rule-based trust management system
- Policy assertions: statements about policy
- Credential assertions: describe actions allowed by credentials
- Action environment: set of attributes describing action associated with set of credentials

# Evaluator

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- Inputs
  - Policy assertions describing local policy
  - Set of credentials
  - Action environment
- Applies instantiated assertions to action environment
- Outputs
  - Whether proposed action consistent with local policy

# Example: Email Domain

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Policy, credential assertions:

```
Local-Constants: Alice="cred1234", Bob="credABCD"
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```
Authorizer: "authcred"
```

```
Licensees: Alice || Bob
```

```
Conditions: (app_domain == "RFC822-EMAIL") &&  
            (address =~ "^.*@keynote\\.ucdavis\\.edu$")
```

```
Signature: "signed"
```

entity with “authcred” credentials trust holders of “cred1234”, “credABCD” to issue credentials (“signed”) for users in email domain when address ends in “@keynote.ucdavis.edu

# Example: Email Domain

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Compliance values: `_MAX_TRUST`, `_MIN_TRUST`

Action environment:

```
_ACTION_AUTHORIZERS=Alice  
app_domain = "RFC822-EMAIL"  
address = "opus@keynote.ucdavis.edu"
```

Satisfied; output `_MAX_TRUST`

# Example: Separation of Duty

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Invoicing system delegates authority for payment of invoices to entity with credential `fundmgrcred`

Policy assertion:

Authorizer: "POLICY"

Licensee: "fundmgrcred"

Conditions: (app\_domain == "INVOICE" &&  
@dollars < 10000)



# Example: Separation of Duty

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Credential assertion requiring at least 2 signatures on expenditure:

Comment: specifies a spending policy

Authorizer: "authcred"

Licensees: 2-of("cred1", "cred2", "cred3",  
"cred4", "cred5")

Conditions: (app\_domain=="INVOICE")

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-> { (@dollars) < 2500) -> _MAX_TRUST;  
      (@dollars < 7500) -> "ApproveAndLog"; };
```

Signature: "signed"

# Example: Separation of Duty

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Compliance values: `Reject`, `ApproveAndLog`,  
`Approve`

Action environment:

```
_ACTION_AUTHORIZERS = "cred1,cred4"  
app_domain = "INVOICE"  
dollars = "1000"
```

Satisfied; output `Approve`

# Example: Separation of Duty

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Action environment:

```
_ACTION_AUTHORIZERS = "cred1,cred2"  
app_domain = "INVOICE"  
dollars = "3541"
```

Satisfied; output ApproveAndLog

# Example: Separation of Duty

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Action environment:

```
_ACTION_AUTHORIZERS = "cred1"  
app_domain = "INVOICE"  
dollars = "1500"
```

```
_ACTION_AUTHORIZERS = "cred1,cred5"  
app_domain = "INVOICE"  
dollars = "8000"
```

Not satisfied; output Reject

# Reputation-Based Trust Management

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- Trust based on past behavior, especially during interactions, and other information
  - May include other recommendations
  - Each entity maintains its own list of relationships

# Types of Trust

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- Direct trust
  - Amy trusts Boris
- Recommender trust
  - Amy trusts Boris to make recommendations about others

# Example: Abdul-Rahman, Hailes

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- Trust value semantics

value	DT meaning	RT meaning
-1	Untrustworthy	Untrustworthy
0	Cannot make trust judgment	Cannot make trust judgment
1	Lowest trust level	*
2	Average trustworthiness	*
3	More trustworthy than most entities	*
4	Completely trustworthy	*

# Example

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- Amy needs Boris' recommendation about Danny
  - Amy trusts Boris recommendation with value 2
- Boris doesn't know Danny, so asks Carole
- Carole replies with recommendation of 3
- Boris adds his name to recommendation, sends it on



# Amy's Computation

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- 4 entities involved: Amy, Boris, Carole, Danny
- $tv(\text{Amy}:\text{Boris})/4 \times tv(\text{Boris}:\text{Carole})/4 \times tv(\text{Carole}:\text{Danny})/4 = 2/4 \times 3/4 \times 3 = 9/8$

# Main Issue

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- How do you populate the initial matrix
  - That is, how do you set the trust values for each pair of entities

# Example: PeerTrust

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- Based on complaints as feedback
  - $P$  peer-to-peer network,  $u$  node
  - $p(u, t)$  node that  $u$  interacts with in transaction  $t$
  - $S(u, t)$  amount of satisfaction  $u$  gets from  $p(u, t)$
  - $I(u)$  total number of transactions  $u$  does
  - $Cr(v)$  credibility of node  $v$ 's feedback

# Example: PeerTrust

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- Trust value of  $u$  is:

$$T(u) = \sum_{t=1}^{I(u)} S(u, t) Cr(p(u, t))$$

- where  $Cr(v)$  is (one of many possible):

$$Cr(v) = \sum_{t=1}^{I(v)} S(v, i) \frac{T(p(v, t))}{\sum_{x=1}^{I(v)} T(p(v, x))}$$

# Key Points

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- Integrity policies deal with trust
  - As trust is hard to quantify, these policies are hard to evaluate completely
  - Look for assumptions and trusted users to find possible weak points in their implementation
- Biba, Lipner based on multilevel integrity
- Clark-Wilson focuses on separation of duty and transactions

# Chinese Wall Model

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## Problem:

- Tony advises American Bank about investments
- He is asked to advise Toyland Bank about investments
- Conflict of interest to accept, because his advice for either bank would affect his advice to the other bank

# Organization

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- Organize entities into “conflict of interest” classes
- Control subject accesses to each class
- Control writing to all classes to ensure information is not passed along in violation of rules
- Allow sanitized data to be viewed by everyone

# Definitions

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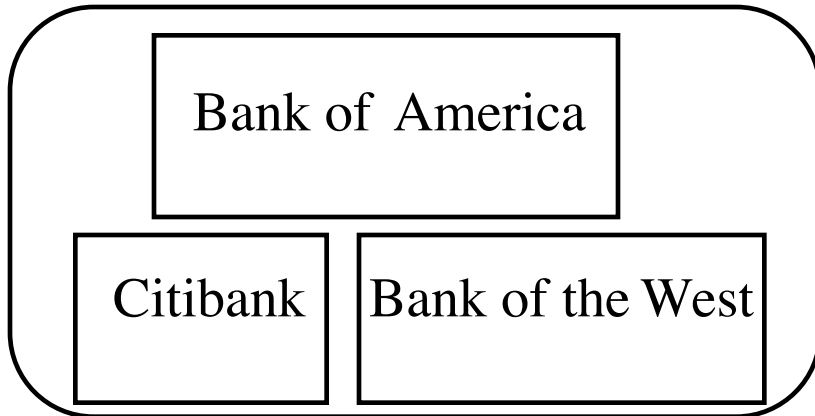
- *Objects*: items of information related to a company
- *Company dataset (CD)*: contains objects related to a single company
  - Written  $CD(O)$
- *Conflict of interest class (COI)*: contains datasets of companies in competition
  - Written  $COI(O)$
  - Assume: each object belongs to exactly one  $COI$  class



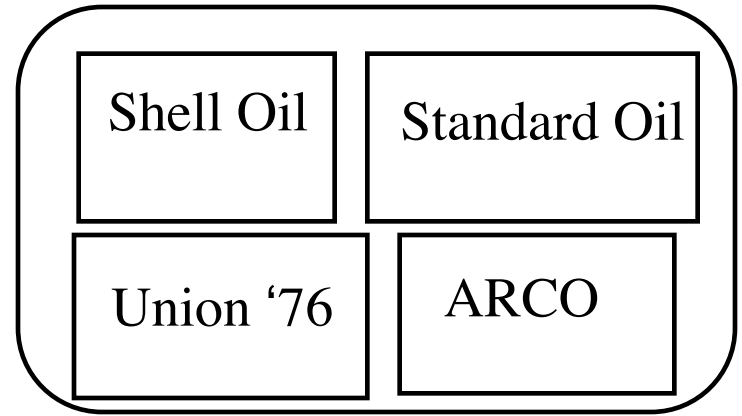
# Example

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Bank COI Class



Gasoline Company COI Class



# Temporal Element

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- If Anthony reads any CD in a COI, he can *never* read another CD in that COI
  - Possible that information learned earlier may allow him to make decisions later
  - Let  $PR(S)$  be set of objects that  $S$  has already read

# CW-Simple Security Condition

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- $s$  can read  $o$  iff either condition holds:
  1. There is an  $o'$  such that  $s$  has accessed  $o'$  and  $CD(o') = CD(o)$ 
    - Meaning  $s$  has read something in  $o'$ 's dataset
  2. For all  $o' \in O$ ,  $o' \in PR(s) \Rightarrow COI(o') \neq COI(o)$ 
    - Meaning  $s$  has not read any objects in  $o'$ 's conflict of interest class
- Ignores sanitized data (see below)
- Initially,  $PR(s) = \emptyset$ , so initial read request granted

# Sanitization

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- Public information may belong to a CD
  - As is publicly available, no conflicts of interest arise
  - So, should not affect ability of analysts to read
  - Typically, all sensitive data removed from such information before it is released publicly (called *sanitization*)
- Add third condition to CW-Simple Security Condition:
  3.  $o$  is a sanitized object

# Writing

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- Anthony, Susan work in same trading house
- Anthony can read Bank 1's CD, Gas' CD
- Susan can read Bank 2's CD, Gas' CD
- If Anthony could write to Gas' CD, Susan can read it
  - Hence, indirectly, she can read information from Bank 1's CD, a clear conflict of interest

# CW-\*-Property

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- $s$  can write to  $o$  iff both of the following hold:
  1. The CW-simple security condition permits  $s$  to read  $o$ ; and
  2. For all *unsanitized* objects  $o'$ , if  $s$  can read  $o'$ , then  $CD(o') = CD(o)$
- Says that  $s$  can write to an object if all the (unsanitized) objects it can read are in the same dataset

# Formalism

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- Goal: figure out how information flows around system
- $S$  set of subjects,  $O$  set of objects,  $L = C \times D$  set of labels
- $l_1: O \rightarrow C$  maps objects to their COI classes
- $l_2: O \rightarrow D$  maps objects to their CDs
- $H(s, o)$  true iff  $s$  has *or had* read access to  $o$
- $R(s, o)$ :  $s$ 's request to read  $o$

# Axioms

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- Axiom 7-1. For all  $o, o' \in O$ ,  
if  $l_2(o) = l_2(o')$ , then  $l_1(o) = l_1(o')$ 
  - CDs do not span COIs.
- Axiom 7-2.  $s \in S$  can read  $o \in O$  iff,  
for all  $o' \in O$  such that  $H(s, o')$ , either  
 $l_1(o') \neq l_1(o)$  or  $l_2(o') = l_2(o)$ 
  - $s$  can read  $o$  iff  $o$  is either in a different COI than every other  $o'$  that  $s$  has read, or in the same CD as  $o$ .



# More Axioms

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- Axiom 7-3.  $\neg H(s, o)$  for all  $s \in S$  and  $o \in O$  is an initially secure state
  - Description of the initial state, assumed secure
- Axiom 7-4. If for some  $s \in S$  and all  $o \in O$ ,  $\neg H(s, o)$ , then any request  $R(s, o)$  is granted
  - If  $s$  has read no object, it can read any object

# Which Objects Can Be Read?

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- Suppose  $s \in S$  has read  $o \in O$ . If  $s$  can read  $o' \in O$ ,  $o' \neq o$ , then  $l_1(o') \neq l_1(o)$  or  $l_2(o') = l_2(o)$ .
  - Says  $s$  can read only the objects in a single CD within any COI

# Proof

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Assume false. Then

$$H(s, o) \wedge H(s, o') \wedge l_1(o') = l_1(o) \wedge l_2(o') \neq l_2(o)$$

Assume  $s$  read  $o$  first. Then  $H(s, o)$  when  $s$  read  $o$ , so by Axiom 7-2, either  $l_1(o') \neq l_1(o)$  or  $l_2(o') = l_2(o)$ , so

$$(l_1(o') \neq l_1(o) \vee l_2(o') = l_2(o)) \wedge (l_1(o') = l_1(o) \wedge l_2(o') \neq l_2(o))$$

Rearranging terms,

$$(l_1(o') \neq l_1(o) \wedge l_2(o') \neq l_2(o) \wedge l_1(o') = l_1(o)) \vee$$

$$(l_2(o') = l_2(o) \wedge l_2(o') \neq l_2(o) \wedge l_1(o') = l_1(o))$$

which is obviously false, contradiction.

# Lemma

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- Suppose a subject  $s \in S$  can read an object  $o \in O$ . Then  $s$  can read no  $o'$  for which  $l_1(o') = l_1(o)$  and  $l_2(o') \neq l_2(o)$ .
  - So a subject can access at most one CD in each COI class
  - Sketch of proof: Initial case follows from Axioms 7-3, 7-4. If  $o' \neq o$ , theorem immediately gives lemma.

# COIs and Subjects

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- Theorem: Let  $c \in C$  and  $d \in D$ . Suppose there are  $n$  objects  $o_i \in O$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , such that  $l_1(o_i) = d$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and  $l_2(o_i) \neq l_2(o_j)$ , for  $1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j$ . Then for all such  $o$ , there is an  $s \in S$  that can read  $o$  iff  $n \leq |S|$ .
  - If a COI has  $n$  CDs, you need at least  $n$  subjects to access every object
  - Proof sketch: If  $s$  can read  $o$ , it cannot read any  $o'$  in another CD in that COI (Axiom 7-2). As there are  $n$  such CDs, there must be at least  $n$  subjects to meet the conditions of the theorem.