

Dissertation Outline

Intro

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motivation/problem
hypothesis/aims
  primary/secondary/tertiary aims
  mention johns hopkins medical records achievement
  why can't this work for us
what needs altered or expanded upon
contribution
  policy produced
  language definition
  software produced
  server setup
  how these meet the aims
outline/reading guide
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Background

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access control
encryption
  classical (1-to-1)
  modern (1-to-many)
public key infrastructure
resource server
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openabe library
pyopenabe bindings

Analysis/Requirements

security considerations
why resources need secured
why ABE is best for this
what the ABE implementation must be able to do
deployment considerations/conditions
assumed physical security of MK server
issuing of user keys

enrolment requirements
case studies

Design

design of the policy language
how does it meet the case studies
formal definition
user key design
SSO login to provide attributes
signed manually by 'cold' server - offline
processed by admin staff
deployment scenario
architecture diagrams
how servers will communicate
how user will interact
tool for building policies
filename searching

Implementation

discuss openabe library toolset
translating policy language to openabe compliant
use of bindings
python flask to build servers
use of flask to build web servers
provide simple GUIs
wraps the pyopenabe bindings for encryption/decryption
python client server
local only
insecure by design (stores plaintext user key in local DB)
mongoDB for storage
file metadata storage on res server
provides basic search functionality
user data (incl. key) on local client
fuzzy finder for filename searching

Evaluation

security evaluation

risk assessment
assets
risks
measures
analysis
successfully achieved
encrypt/decrypt resources
issue user keys properly (JSON request to MK server)
store on a resource server
retrieve from server by search
client tool to handle all above by GUI
store issued attributes and types globally as a record
local, proof-of-concept authentication system
extraction from .cpabe, .key files
extract policy from .cpabe files
extract user attributes from .key files
failed to achieve
CLI tool for encrypt/decrypt with pyopenabe bindings
full compatibility with openabe library
metadata header for files encrypted with toolset

Conclusion

summarise
confirm solution to original problem
future work
problems (compatibility with openabe lib)
extraction by regex issues
deployment