# About Privacy in Internet of Things

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Abstract—Internet of things devices are everywhere, since the birth of the idea of ubiquous computing that human every day life is envisioned containg millions of devices that control every aspect of our lives. Today we have smart cars, smart houses, smart cities, wearables among other things that use various types of devices and various types of networks to communicate, these devices are designed with usability in mind as a way for us to live a more confortable life. One thing that is not though about much is how these devices treat our privacy rights. Our information is used, traded and sold without the user having much say in the matter besides refusing to use these devices or not having access to certain features. I propose a system that gives the user the crucial information about the devices that are nearby and how to protect the data that the user doesn't want to share with the systems, this system is capable of detecting what type of devices are nearby, what kind of data is collected by these devices and what can be done to protect unwanted data from being collected.

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# I. Introdução

Iot as a term began being used in the 90's, a connection can be drawn with Mark Weber's article on ubiquous computing and the rise of devices of various sizes, but mostly the size of a small phone, that make the idea of Weber a reality. These devices are used in various applications starting at home with thermostats, fridges, microwaves, getting embeded in cars in the education system, in our clothes, our phones, watches and even into space.

Privacy and security might at first appear almost the same thing, but privacy is about the user's data and security is about protecting that data.

## II. TRABALHOS RELACIONADOS

# A. Privacy Assistants

There exists a number of privacy assistants in the market. Privacy assistants have the objective of giving the user flexibility in choosing the prefered privacy options in available applications, most are used in smartphones, very few are made for devices in the internet of things. The university of Carniege Mellon developed one privacy assistant focused on internet of things called "IoT Assistant" [1]. This assistant was created because the designers felt that this part of the market was being ignored and decided to create it. The creation of this system started with a user test case to determine the public's knowledge on this matter, it was tested with a group of 17 people choosed randomly.

### III. METADOLOGIA

The proposed methology is composed of two phases, the first phase consists of making a study on the region's general concern with their privacy when using iot devices, their knowledge of privacy rights, what they do to protect their privacy rigths. One one side the objective of this study consist in demistefying the privacy paradox in the region and gather information about their idea to solve this problem with respect to iot devices. The second phase consists in doing an application that can detect iot devices nearby the user with at least a 10 meters radius. The application should do the following when detecting a device: 1. it should show some information about the device; 2. it should categorize the device; 3. it should provide the user with privacy options, if the device allows the user to decline data harvesting. This application at first sight might appear to be a mere privacy assistant but it's not, beacause iot assistants merely choose what privacy options the user first sets and mantains it for every other application that the user might use. The proposed app doesn't have the objective to conform to the user's prefered privacy choices, it merely informs the user about nearby iot devices and can provide the user with privacy options. But the main objective is creating awareness in individuals about the various devices that are around and make the user questions their choices.

## A. User Awareness

There has been some work done to determine the users awareness of their actions online in regard to privacy. An interactive theatre expericence [1] was proposed in order to expose privacy malpractices in companies, specially in the capitalistic world where profit is prioritize above all else, in this experiment the public is able to interact with the actors and influence the story of the play, there are various endings depending on the public's choices throughout the play, some endings the company would bury the corruption that was going on, in another ending a team of hackers is able to expose the company's practices to the world. After the play the team responsible for the experiment would talk with public members about what they experienced and discussed what was it about and the memebers pratices with their data on their daily lifes. After some months the team would talk again with the members that were present in the play and talk about any changes they have done in the meantime, most said they did not change thei behaviour, one member said that it took more care of The information that made available online because

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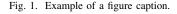


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