



A new Approach to RFID Privacy Zero Knowledge Device Authentication

Enabling the potential value of RFID
through elimination of persistent consumer
and device identifiers in the ambient space

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Making Privacy Default
... because the alternative is not an option



Agenda

- Privacy and security – two sides of the coin
- RFID security problems
- Zero-knowledge Device Authentication
- Advantages Post-Purchase
- Outlining the RFID privacy challenges



The failure of Privacy paradigms

- Code of Conduct – No trust/massive abuse
 - Case: US Telemarketing do-not-call
 - 55 million people registered through 2003 (57%)
- Informed Consent – Advanced blackmail
 - No privacy or no Service ⇒ fatalism and distrust
 - UK analysis: 70% report – “cannot avoid registering”
 - EU Data Protection – bureaucratic but not ensuring privacy
- Anonymity – No take-up and fear of fraud
 - Market failure of Privacy Enhancing Technologies

**Deploy balanced Privacy Enhancing Technologies
Give End-user Control – Get Trust & User Data**



RFID Attackers

- Terrorists
- Burglars
- VIP
- Workplace
- Social
- Retailers
- Corporate
- Hackers
- Government
- Government

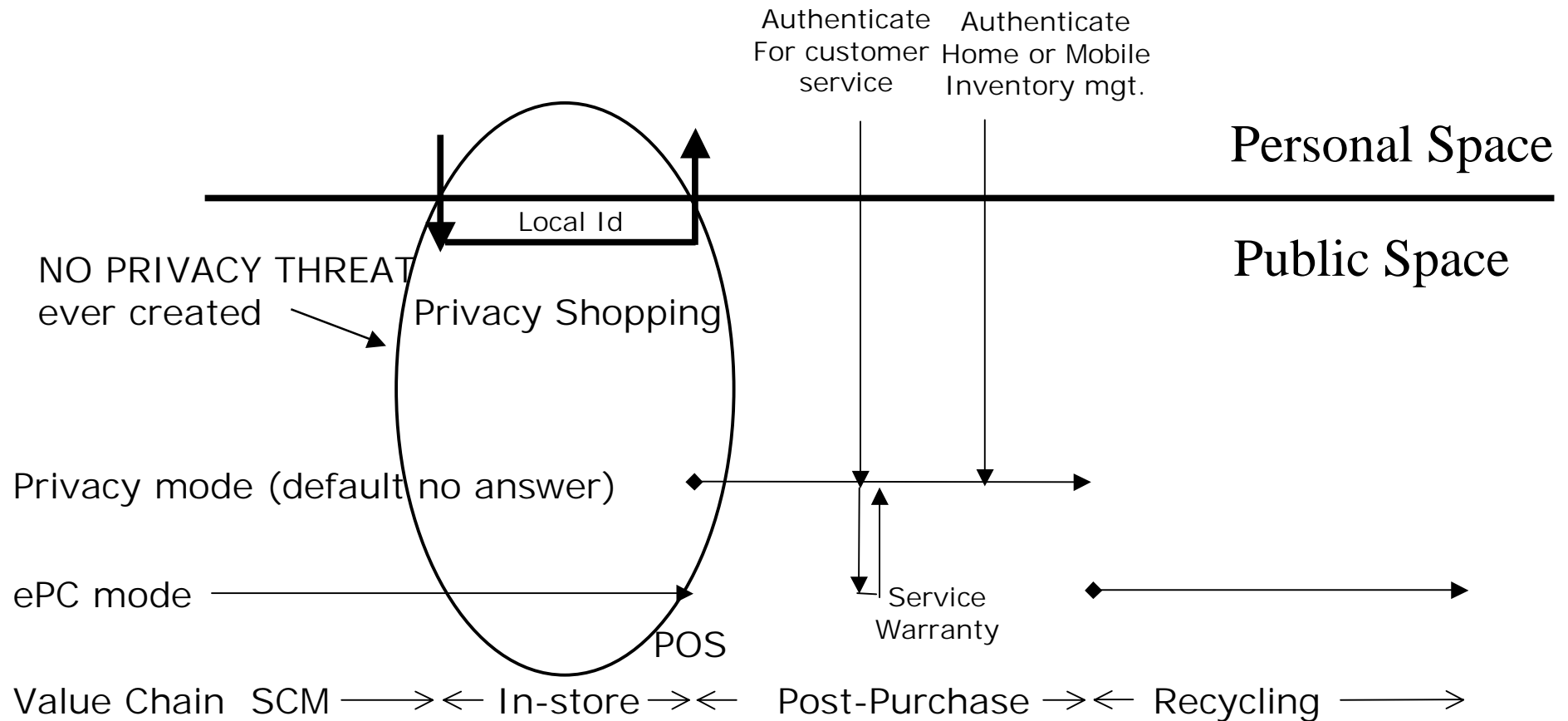
RFID have many positive uses
but without rethinking also
Security threats
Data Leakage
Tracking
Etc.

Translates into *Trust destruction*
CLOSE – in the face of the individual

A dramatic escalation of
the Surveillance Society



RFID Privacy overview





RFID Privacy Mode

- At POS, RFID control is transferred to Consumer
 - RFID "Privacy mode" is activated and RFID go silent
 - RFID remain *killed* unless Consumer activates
- Zero-knowledge Device Authentication
 - Low computational PET scalable to asymmetric keys
 - Single-step so that RFID can remain quiet/killed to strangers
- If RFID active when leaving the store; either
 - Product is being stolen – activate surveillance cameras etc.
 - Shop/supplier violate privacy – document and call police
- The Privacy problem turns into a win-win solution
 - RFID active for update, customer service and recycling
 - Open for Post-Purchase upgrade for intelligent services
 - With in-store Privacy Shopping open for selfservice
 - Open for customising along the value chain
 - Little trade-of between privacy and CRM/loyalty programs
 - Can in be fully anonymous even with credit payments



Other considerations

- Dual-band solution maintain interoperability
 - Without privacy - mandatory KILL at POS
 - With privacy – consumer option to KILL
- RFID readers interoperability
 - SCM/In-store – no interoperability problems
 - At POS – readers needs additional command
 - Customer Service – more advanced possibilities
- In-store privacy issues is independant of RFID
 - BUT payments, authentication, mobile devices etc. have no security with emerging standards.



Summation

- **From the point of Trust Socio/economics**
 - RFIDs represent huge potential value / security destruction
 - RFID are easily understood threats !
 - Question: Why does Industry ignore privacy and security?
- **To promote RFIDs and reap the huge values**
 - Eliminate the threats – give end-user CONTROL
 - Employ balanced Privacy Enhancing Technologies (PET)
- **Privacy requirements solvable usings PETs**
 - Removing tracking ids post-purchase (Kill/Privacy Mode)
 - Local Identifiers only for consumers in-store (Privacy Shopping)
 - Special requirements for various applications solvable
 - Proximity, authenticity, Theft Control, Shipping, Id Cards etc.

Active Privacy is both possible
and an enabler of RFID take-up