Privacy in the Modern Times

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Abstract:

In this paper we try to highlight some important aspects of personal data security in the Internet environment. We will consider the case of the famous social networking software Facebook and analyze some of its security features. An important part of the IT experts warns us about the possibility that our personal data may be the target of commercial transactions between Facebook and business companies. We investigate further the case of backdoors in computer systems. It seems that we are completely unprotected against this type of attack and most of the people are not aware of it.

This paper, considering bibliographic references mostly outside the mainstream media, will demonstrate that the PC is an electronic equipment that provides a low security level of personal or sensitive data.

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