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National Web Privacy Forum

- IMLS funded National Forum for Web Analytics and Web Privacy
- Montana State University, Bozeman Montana
- September 12-14, 2018
- 40 librarians, technologists, and privacy researchers came together to address the need to enhance our understanding and practice of web analytics and privacy.



<https://www.lib.montana.edu/privacy-forum/>

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Forum Focal Areas

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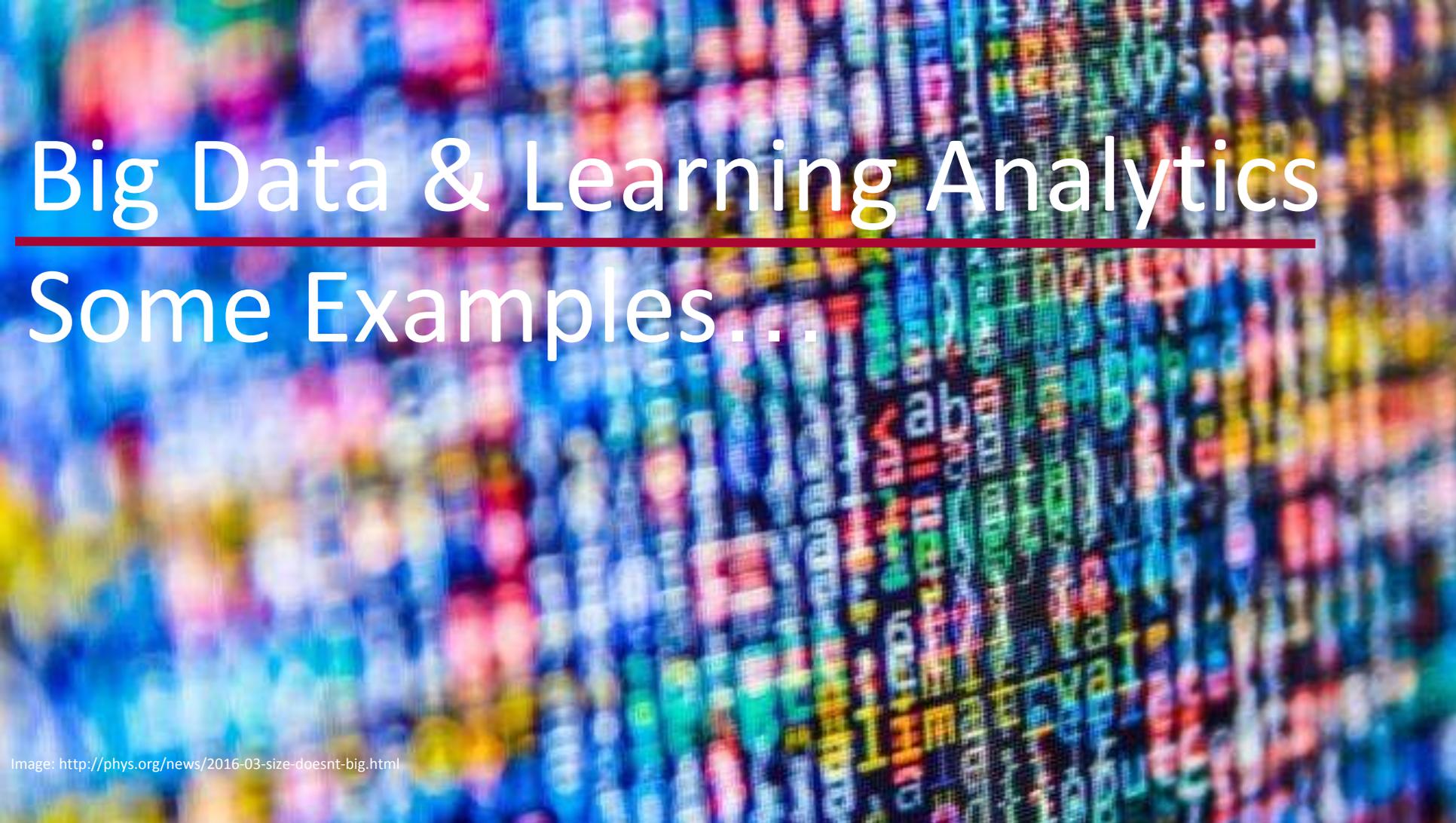
Policy

Analytics
Tools

Forum Outcomes

[Action Handbook](#) - provides background, resources, and good practices to guide libraries in ethically implementing web analytics with a view towards privacy.

[White Paper](#) - describes eight “pathways to action,” strategies for improving the state of privacy in libraries



Big Data & Learning Analytics

Some Examples...

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The World Today
Updated 11 Aug 2016, 11:52pm

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By Marguerite McNeal Nov 17, 2016



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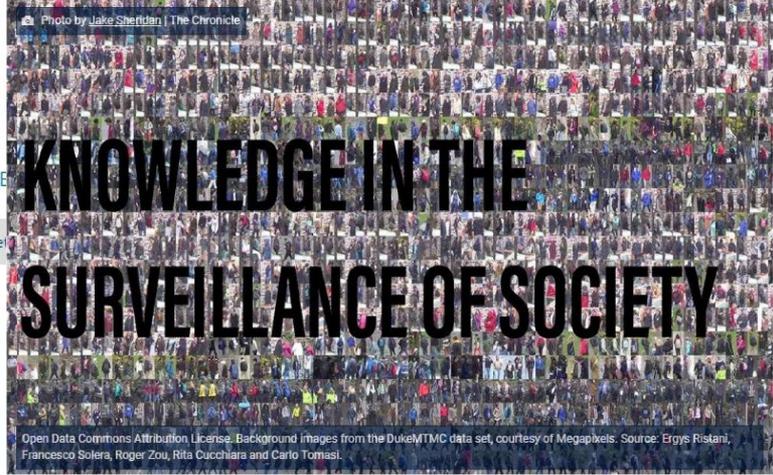
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November 5, 2014 by Andy Thomason

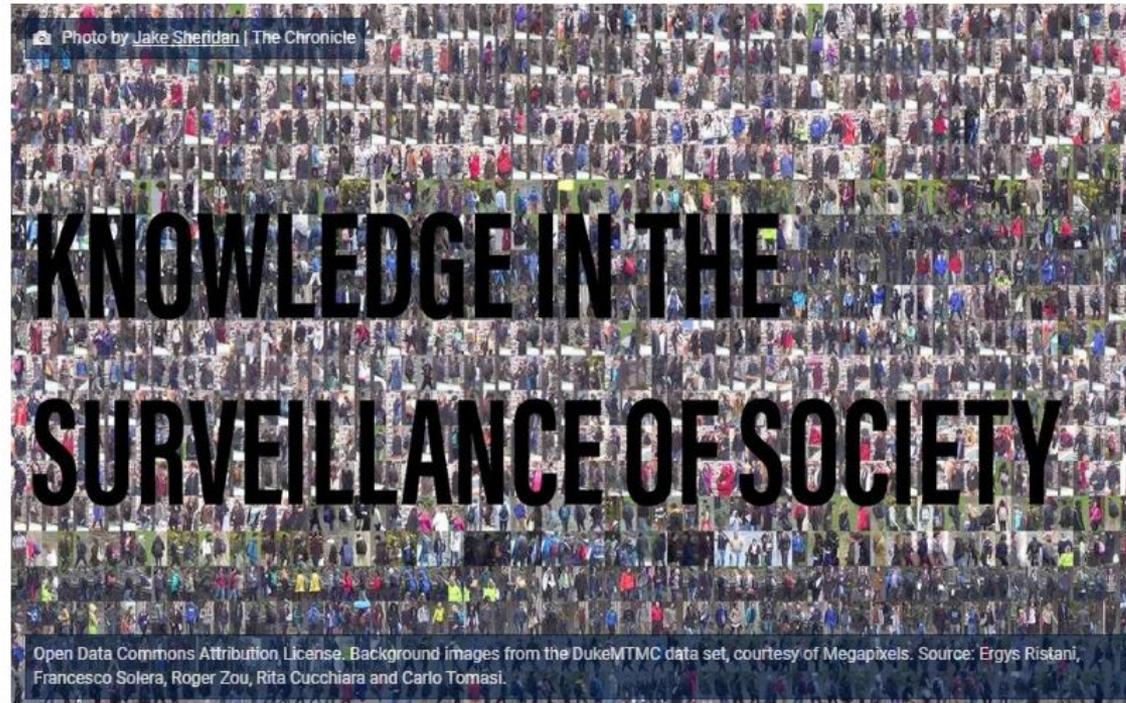
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The head of services at the University of Melbourne Paul Duldig said there was no way of identifying



PHOTO: The university said it was only able to track student movements, not individuals. (ABC News)

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Universities to trawl through students' social media to look for suicide risk, under new project



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<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/2019/06/04/universities-trawl-students-social-media-look-suicide-risk-new/>

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Sudha Ram, a professor of management information systems, directs the UA's INSITE, a center that focuses on harnessing the power of big data to help businesses and organizations make better-informed decisions. (Photo: Bob Demers/UANews)

Researcher Looks at 'Digital Traces' to Help Students

Sudha Ram's Smart Campus research tracks students' social interactions and daily routines via their CatCard usage — and leverages that information to make predictions about freshman retention.

Saint Louis University is placing 2,300 Echo Dots in student living spaces

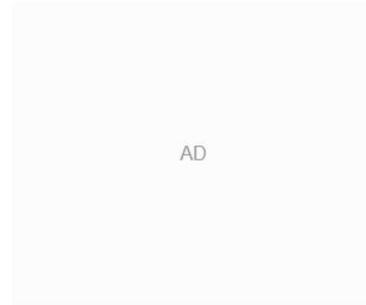
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EFF Releases Spying on Students Ed Tech Report

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SOPHIA COPE | APRIL 13, 2017

EFF Survey Reveals Gaps in Protecting the Privacy of K-12 Students Using School-Issued Devices and Cloud Apps

Data Barometer

Frameworks

ALA Code of Ethics

- I. “We provide the highest level of service to all library users through appropriate and usefully organized resources; equitable service policies; equitable access; and accurate, unbiased, and courteous responses to all requests.”

- III. “We protect each library user's right to privacy and confidentiality with respect to information sought or received and resources consulted, borrowed, acquired or transmitted.”

IFLA Code of Ethics

3. Privacy, secrecy and transparency

- Librarians and other information workers respect personal privacy, and the protection of personal data, necessarily shared between individuals and institutions.
- The relationship between the library and the user is one of confidentiality and librarians and other information workers will take appropriate measures to ensure that user data is not shared beyond the original transaction.

Principles for Ethical Research

1. Respect for persons

- Informed Consent

2. Beneficence

- Risk Evaluation
- Maximize benefit and minimize risk

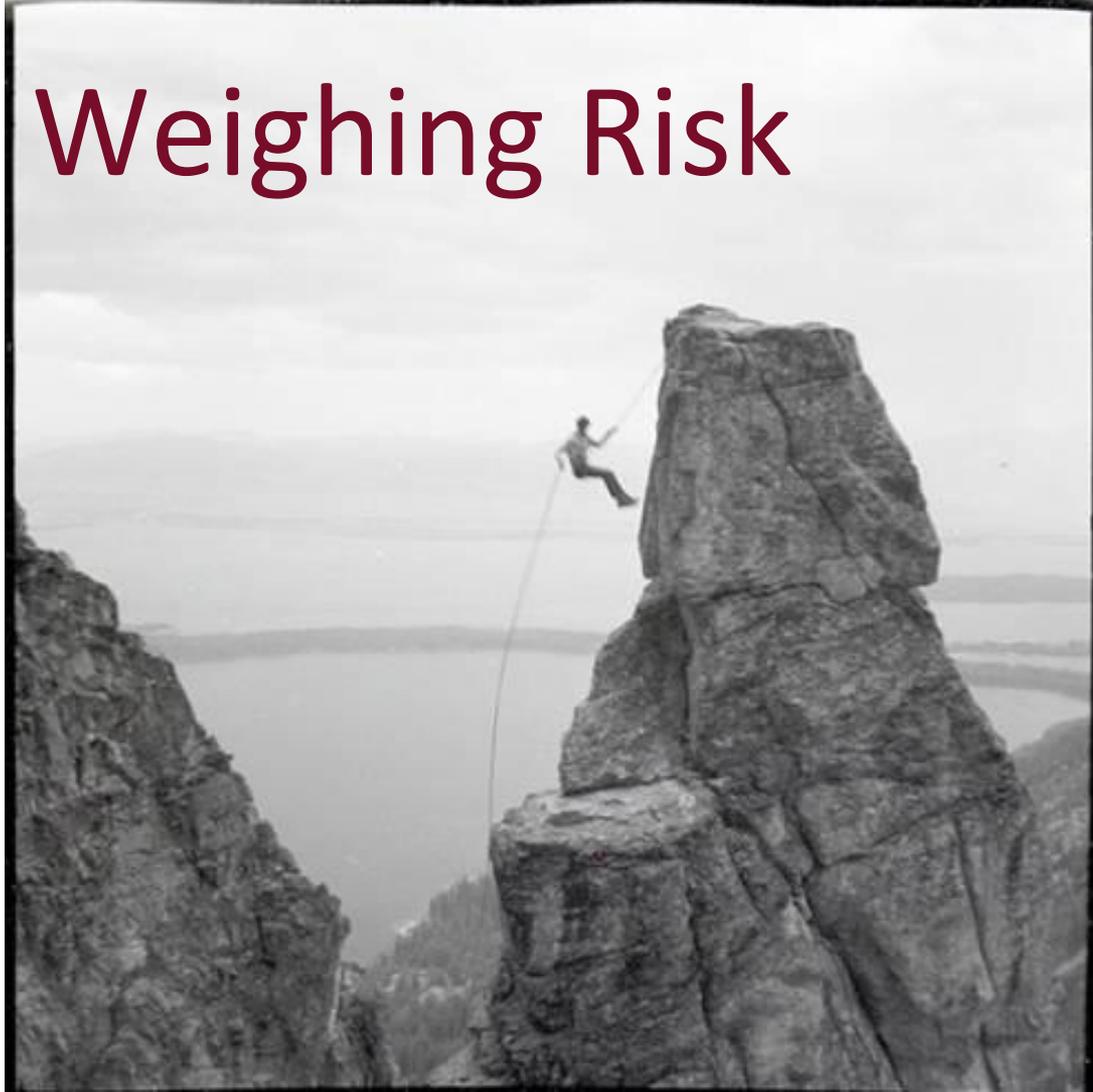
3. Justice

- Equitable selection of research subjects

Legal Research \neq Ethical Research

Researchers are not absolved of ethical obligation to research subjects regardless of compliance requirements

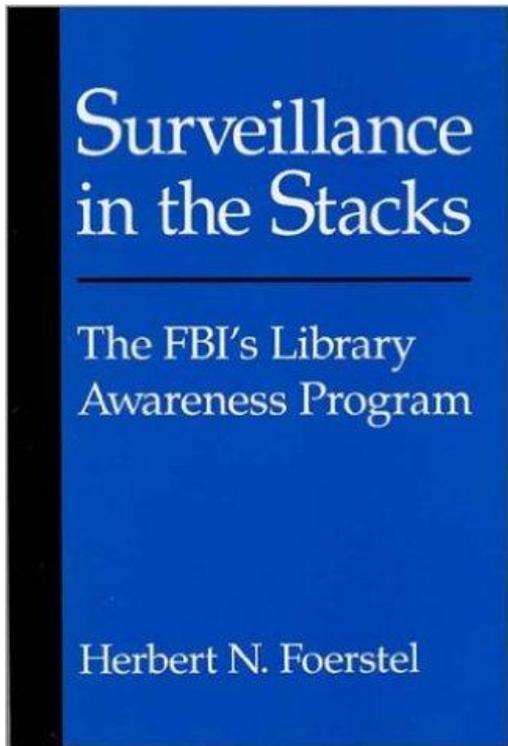
Weighing Risk



Who, in fact, benefits?

- Data more valuable to institutions & corporations than individuals
- Loss of autonomy
- Individuals in studies rarely accrue benefits
- Risks are almost always greater for groups that already experience higher levels of surveillance & discrimination

Threat Models



The Switch

Librarians won't stay quiet about government surveillance

This is a screenshot of a news article from The Guardian. At the top right, the word "theguardian" is written in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font on a dark blue background. Below this is a navigation bar with a home icon and links to "election 2016", "US", "world", "opinion", "sports", "soccer", "tech", "arts", "lifestyle", "fashion", "business", "travel", and "environment". To the right of these links is a "browse all sections" button with a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar, the word "home" is written in a small, grey font. The main content area features a sub-header "Higher education" in blue, followed by the article title "Student accused of being a terrorist for reading book on terrorism" in a large, dark grey font. Below the title is a short summary: "Staffordshire University apologises after counter-terrorism student Mohammed Umar Farooq was questioned under Prevent anti-extremism initiative". A dotted line separates this from a breadcrumb trail: "Home > Volume 9, Number 12 - 6 December 2004 > Starr". Below the breadcrumb is a stylized logo for "FIRST MONDAYS" in white letters on a black background, with "PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ON THE INTERNET" written in a smaller font below it. At the bottom right, there is a red box containing the text "Libraries and National Security: An Historical Review" and another red box below it containing "by Joan Starr".

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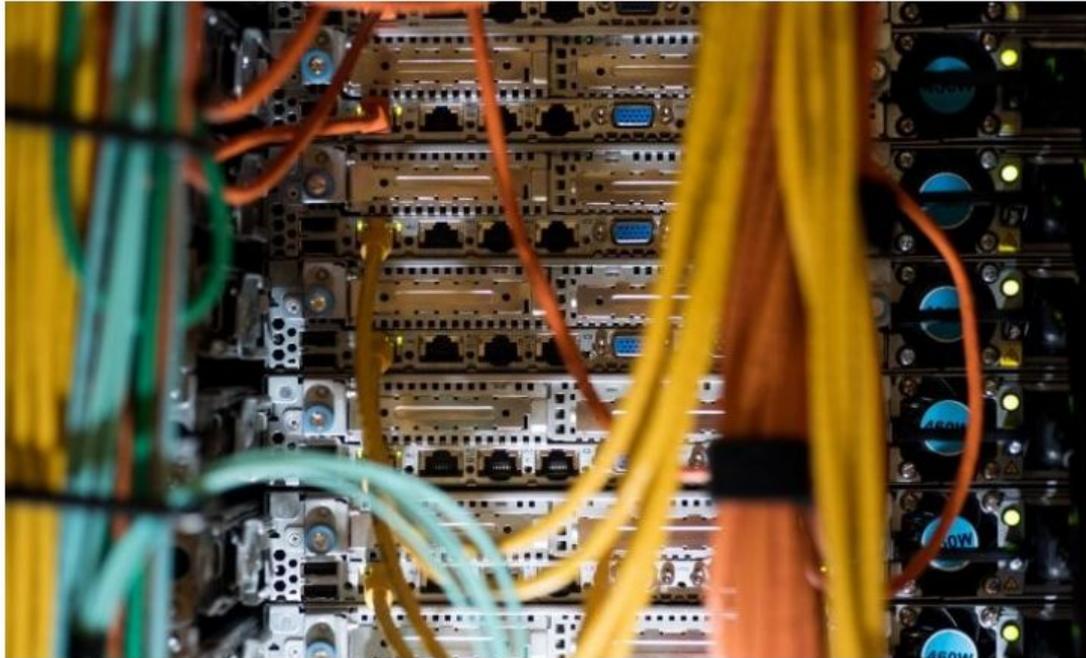


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campus and community

Unauthorized Access on Georgia Tech Network Exposes Information for 1.3 Million Individuals

APRIL 2, 2019 • ATLANTA, GA



<https://www.news.gatech.edu/2019/04/02/unauthorized-access-georgia-tech-network-exposes-information-13-million-individuals>

Unforeseen Consequences



Bernstein and Woodward took a cab to the Library of Congress and found the office that handles White House requests for material in the library. Speaking to the reporters in a hallway, rather than his office, a librarian informed them politely that White House transactions were confidential. Eventually, the reporters found a more cooperative clerk and spent the afternoon in the reading room sorting through thousands of slips of paper—every request since July 1971, when Hunt was hired by the White House.

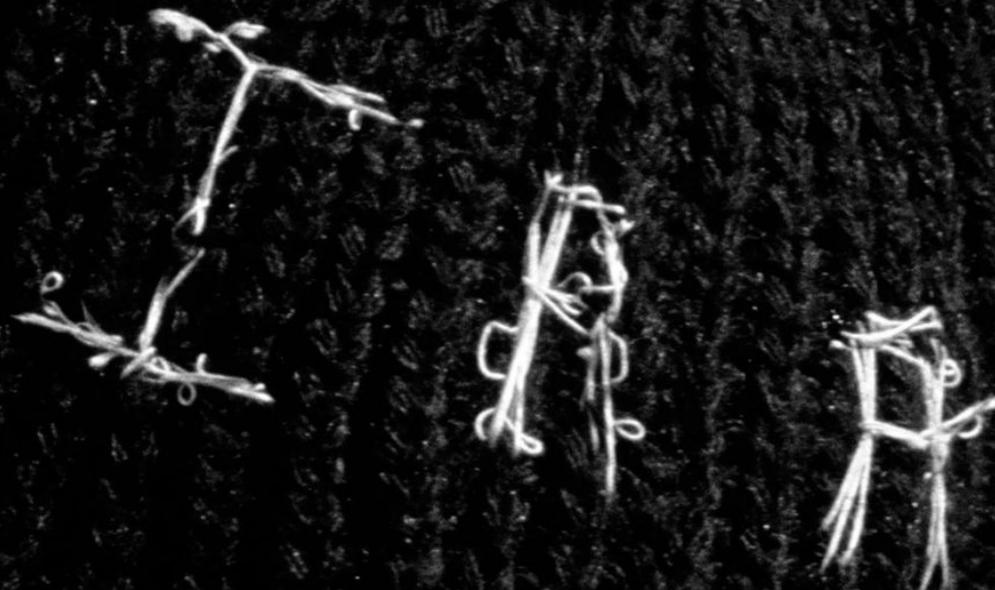
Carl Bernstein & Bob Woodward. 1974. *All the President's Men*. New York: Simon & Schuster. P. 32

Secrets From Belfast

How Boston College's oral history of the Troubles fell victim
to an international murder investigation

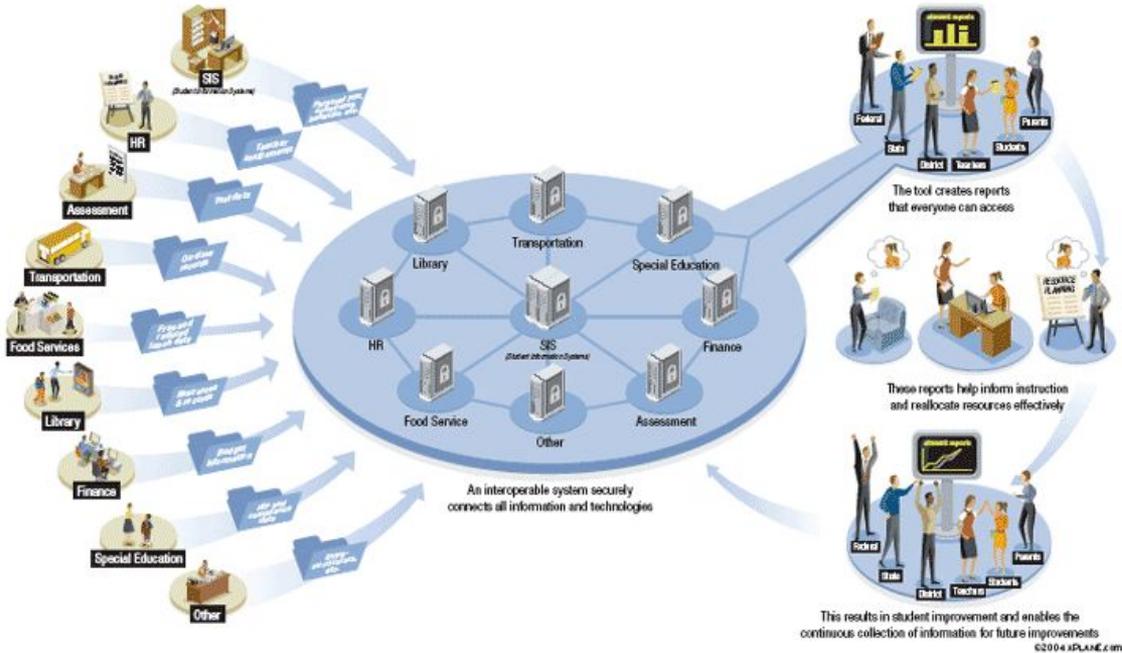
Story by Beth McMurtrie

January 26, 2014



Threat Modeling Exercise

Common Library Data Points



- Collection Use (Physical & Electronic)
- Card Swipe Data (Space Use)
- Instruction Participation
- Reference Participation
- Workstation Use
- WiFi/Network Use

Combined with:

- Student Performance Measures
- Student Demographic Data





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