

# Extracting Visual Content and Descriptors for an Optimal Access Policy Generator

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## Abstract –

The prevalence of social networking sites continues to surge in today's world, with content sharing being a ubiquitous practice among users. The uploading of multimedia content, such as images and videos, has become exceedingly popular on these platforms. Privacy, a paramount concern in the current landscape, plays a pivotal role in safeguarding multimedia content on social networking sites. While the existing system employs the Adaptive Privacy Policy Prediction (A3P) framework to assist users in establishing security measures for their images, its efficacy falls short of expectations. This paper introduces an improved approach named Advanced Privacy Policy Prediction, aiming to enhance privacy policies. The ensuing results demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed method.

**Keywords:** Adaptive Privacy Policy Prediction (A3P), Advanced Privacy policy Prediction, content sharing.

## I. Introduction:

Privacy is a ubiquitous term in numerous applications and research domains, gaining paramount importance amidst the exponential growth of data. As data proliferates at an unprecedented rate, the preservation of privacy becomes a pressing concern, particularly on social networking sites. The act of sharing personal information and multimedia content on these platforms has evolved into a burgeoning issue. The validation of data shared by one user, whether friend or stranger, has added complexity to the landscape of social networking privacy.

This paper introduces a novel system designed to address these challenges by proposing advanced access policies tailored to the multimedia content's categorization within the system [1]. The system classifies users into four categories: Friends, Family, Co-workers, and Strangers, leveraging the CBC, MBC, and Efficient Access Policy Generator. Content-based retrieval, metadata-based retrieval, and the Efficient Access Policy Generator collectively contribute to enhancing privacy within the system.

Within the proposed Advanced AAP3 framework, a comparative approach is employed to fortify privacy in users' social networking accounts. Priority-based preferences are incorporated, offering a nuanced understanding of user preferences. The system adeptly handles issues such as image classification and unique policy prediction. Upon user image uploads, content-based classification is applied, followed by metadata-based classification during image searches. This comprehensive framework strives to establish a robust privacy infrastructure on social networking platforms.

## 2. Related work:

Content-based retrieval relies on the efficacy of the features employed for data representation, and its effectiveness is contingent upon the interchangeability and robust properties of these features [2]. The

Polar Fourier Transform (PFT), akin to the conventional Fourier transform in two dimensions, diverges by utilizing polar coordinates, involving radial parameters sweep and phase, instead of Cartesian coordinates. This transformation is employed to enhance recommendations for content-based retrieval in scenarios where there is a notably higher diversity of surfaces in traditional images.

Local radial symmetry is a method employed to discern regions of interest within a scene [3]. This involves a facial part finder and a neutral area of interest symbolizing the novel transformation, which purportedly demonstrates equivalent or superior performance compared to contemporary methods. The approach has been tested on a series of facial photos and diverse scenes, benchmarked against various state-of-the-art techniques. The method exhibits comparable or superior performance in the tested images, while providing significant efficiency gains in both the computational requirements and the intricacy of implementation.

The refinement process is conceptualized as an enhancement framework, emphasizing the alignment between "visual similarity" and "semantic similarity" in social photos [4]. It introduces an image retagging plan aimed at improving the quality of tags associated with social photos concerning both visual and semantic relevance.

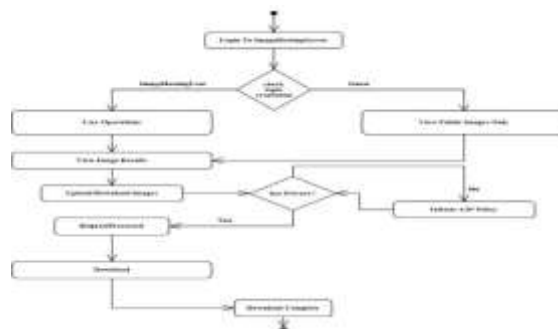


Fig 1: System architecture

### 3. Existing System:

Within current algorithms, ensuring privacy on social networking sites has emerged as a significant challenge. Numerous research efforts have focused on enhancing privacy protection for multimedia content within these platforms. However, prior investigations have fallen short in delivering robust security measures for Social Networking Sites (SNS). The prevailing privacy policies are deemed inadequate for ensuring precise protection of data on social websites. This inadequacy is particularly pronounced when it comes to the unique privacy requirements associated with images. As users upload a vast number of images to their accounts, there arises a pressing need for improved classification techniques tailored to images and other multimedia content.

### 4. Proposed System:

This automated system is designed for image uploading, enabling users to modify image settings and establish privacy policy configurations for their uploaded content. The proposed system offers a versatile framework, tailoring privacy settings based on user privileges, and includes the provision of access policies. Accuracy is paramount across all Social Networking Sites (SNS) for effective privacy protection.

1. Metadata-based classification is a pivotal component of the system, organizing images into subcategories within predefined baseline categories. The process involves three main steps.
2. In the first step, keywords are extracted from the image metadata, encompassing tags, captions, and comments. Nouns, verbs, and adjectives are identified within the metadata and stored as metadata vectors.
3. The second step involves deriving a representative hypernym (denoted as  $h$ ) from each metadata vector. Retrieving hypernyms is based on Wordnet classification, resulting in a list of hypernyms ( $v$ ) and their corresponding frequencies ( $f$ ).
4. The third step incrementally assigns an image to a subcategory. The wordnet web API is traditionally used for this purpose, necessitating specific architectural implementations in the current system context.
5. However, these implementations increase the time complexity of querying during runtime metadata classifications and rely on network connectivity for hypernym requests.
6. To address these issues, we propose replacing the wordnet web API with an open-source maximum entropy-based hypernym bootstrapping algorithm. This algorithm includes an embedded maxent POS database, enabling the rapid and efficient generation of relevant hypernyms.
7. The proposed format facilitates the quick identification of prominent terms and aids in determining the relative prominence of a given term.
8. The algorithmic approach prioritizes high-quality hypernyms by favoring tags that exhibit strong relevance compared to less relevant objects. Given a query ( $q$ ) and a scoring function ( $s$ ), this approach selects hypernyms efficiently.
9. An evaluation of our proposed concept serves as validation for its effectiveness and feasibility in practical application.

#### **4.1 Advantages:**

Balancing both efficiency and high prediction accuracy is a crucial objective in system development. The scope of this system involves processing an input query uploaded in the form of an image. The features and content of the uploaded image are then compared with the

existing data within the image database. The goal is to identify the first  $n$  closest images that share similar features with the uploaded image. Once these matching images are identified, the system categorizes them into specific groups based on the characteristics of the uploaded image. This classification process is iteratively applied to all images in the training dataset. After the proposed system completes the classification, each image is assigned to a category within the database.

To enhance the performance of Content-Based Classification (CBC) and Metadata-Based Classification (MBC), a novel system has been introduced. This innovative approach aims to streamline the process of matching images and categorizing them, thereby improving the overall efficiency and accuracy of the image classification system. The new system offers a more refined and effective mechanism for organizing images based on their shared features, contributing to an advanced and optimized CBC and MBC.

#### **4.2 Problem statement:**

In the realm of social networking sites, the consideration of social context, such as one's friend list, proves insufficient in addressing the multifaceted challenges posed by image files. The limitations become apparent when attempting to handle issues related not only to social settings but also the diverse content encapsulated within the images themselves. Unlike strategies solely reliant on social context, our approach acknowledges the intricate nature of image protection, which may vary significantly based on both social context and the actual content of the image.

Relevant to our work is a study where image creators express a communicative emphasis for pictures uploaded on social sites, mirroring our focus on image content and context. While we share a reliance on a structured approach for our predictive algorithm, our work distinguishes itself by not explicitly managing strategy quality. In the broader landscape of image content analysis, covering classification, understanding, retrieval, and photo ranking, there exists a plethora of research, particularly in the context of online photo-sharing platforms. One notable work investigates privacy-conscious image classification using a diverse set of features encompassing both content and meta-information.

However, it's essential to note that this particular study employs binary classification (private versus public), making the classification task fundamentally different from our approach.

Furthermore, the authors do not address the cold-start problem, which is a significant aspect of our work as we tackle challenges related to newly introduced or unfamiliar content.

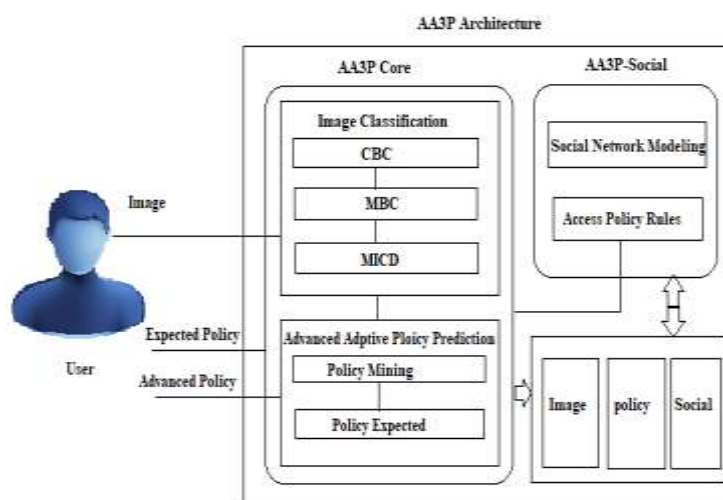


Fig: 2 A3P Architecture

### 4.3 IMPLEMENTATION MODULES

1. AA3P-CORE
2. AA3P-SOCIAL

#### 4.4 AA3P-CORE

The interaction between AA3P-core and AA3P-social is triggered under specific conditions: (i) when the user lacks sufficient data for policy prediction regarding the uploaded image type, and (ii) when A3P-core identifies significant recent changes within the user's community regarding privacy practices. This includes instances where the user experiences an uptick in social networking activities, such as adding new friends or making new posts on their profile. The collaboration between AA3P-core and AA3P-social is designed to address these scenarios, ensuring a comprehensive and adaptive approach to privacy policy prediction in response to evolving user behaviors and community dynamics.

##### 4.4.1 IMAGE CLASSIFICATION

Image classification serves as a pivotal component within AA3P, with numerous images exhibiting relationships tied to similar privacy preferences. This paper introduces three distinct methods for image classification, namely content-based classification, metadata-based classification, and mining image content and descriptors.

Content-based classification involves analyzing the inherent properties of an image to determine its category, such as distinguishing between images intended for kids, adults, or other classifications. On the other hand, metadata-based classification relies on the information provided in the image description to classify the image.

A critical classification method proposed in this paper involves mining image content along with descriptors. This approach addresses the missing properties of an image and synergizes the strengths of both content-based and metadata-based classification. The integration of mining image content and descriptors emerges as a crucial and comprehensive classification technique within AA3P, contributing to a more nuanced understanding of image content for improved privacy policy predictions.

#### 4.4.2 ADAPTIVE POLICY PREDICTION

potential changes in a user's privacy concerns. The prediction process unfolds in three main phases: (i) policy normalization, (ii) policy mining, and (iii) policy prediction.

This algorithm is set into motion when a new user uploads images to their albums. A noteworthy aspect of this system is its capability to anticipate conceivable modifications in the user's privacy policies, a feature critical for maintaining user-centric privacy concerns. The prediction process is detailed across three primary phases:

- a) **Normal Policy:** This initial phase involves a standard process of decomposing the image into a set of rules, with the data (D) component representing a singular item set.
- b) **Mining Policy:** Within this mining policy phase, the algorithm identifies the most prevalent subjects as defined by the user. Popular actions associated with these subjects are extracted and incorporated into the actions.
- c) **Prediction Policy:** The culmination of the mining process results in the formation of diverse policies applicable to the user-uploaded images. The prediction policy phase, in particular, becomes instrumental in shaping and enhancing user privacy, acting as a foundational element in the overall privacy prediction algorithm.

#### 4.5 AA3P-SOCIAL

The proposed system relies predominantly on the Multiple Criteria Inference approach, which generates typical policies by incorporating crucial data from users' social networking accounts, representing a comprehensive attitude toward privacy. Referred to as the general attitude

towards privacy, this method ensures that essential information is considered in formulating policies. In previous references, AA3P has been employed in various ways, including scenarios where users create new accounts on social networking sites and situations where sufficient data is available for image uploads stored in AA3P-core to enhance new policies. Social Context Modeling constitutes a vital aspect of this system, encompassing two key stages within the social context modeling algorithm. In the initial step, the algorithm identifies distinct and significant points that characterize the user's privacy settings. These identified points play a crucial role in shaping the user's privacy preferences. The second step involves the formation of user clusters based on these detected points, enhancing the system's ability to tailor privacy policies according to the unique characteristics and preferences of different user groups.

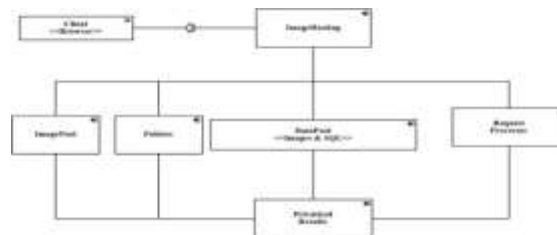


Fig 3 The components used in the code

ID	Image	Size	File	Color Histogram	Entropy	IP
1		100x100	image1.jpg	[0, 0, 0]	0.0	1
2		100x100	image2.jpg	[0, 0, 0]	0.0	1
3		100x100	image3.jpg	[0, 0, 0]	0.0	1

Fig: 4 CBC

Policy Mining Prediction

My Circle Members: @abhishek@friend

Index	Category	Age	Permissions
Predictor@abhishek@1	stranger	All	No
Predictor@abhishek@2	coworker	All	Yes
Predictor@abhishek@3	friend	All	Yes
Predictor@abhishek@4	family	All	Yes

Base Privacy Policy

ID	CATEGORY	EMAIL	AGE	ACP
1	stranger	abhishek.com	1	0
2	coworker	abhishek.com	1	1
3	friend	abhishek.com	1	1
4	family	abhishek.com	1	1
5	stranger	krishna20@gmail.com	1	0
6	coworker	krishna20@gmail.com	1	1
7	friend	krishna20@gmail.com	1	1
8	family	krishna20@gmail.com	1	1

My Social Circle

ID	MEMBER	CATEGORY
1	abhishek.com	friend
2	krishna20@gmail.com	stranger

Fig: 5 Metadata based Classification



## 5. Conclusion:

This paper introduces the Advanced Privacy Policy Prediction (AA3P) system, aimed at automating the generation of privacy policy rules for user-uploaded images on social networking sites. The proposed system operates in three distinct stages, utilizing Content-Based Classification (CBC), Metadata-Based Classification (MBC), and Mining Image Content and Descriptors to establish effective privacy policies. The evaluation results underscore the efficiency of our proposed AA3P in safeguarding privacy on social networking sites.

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