

Evaluating User Perceptions of Privacy Protection in Smart Healthcare Services

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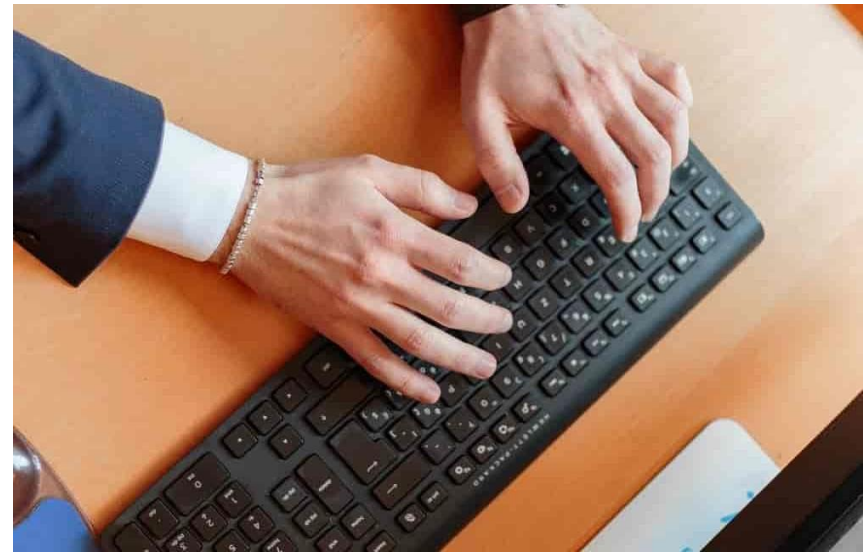
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PART 01

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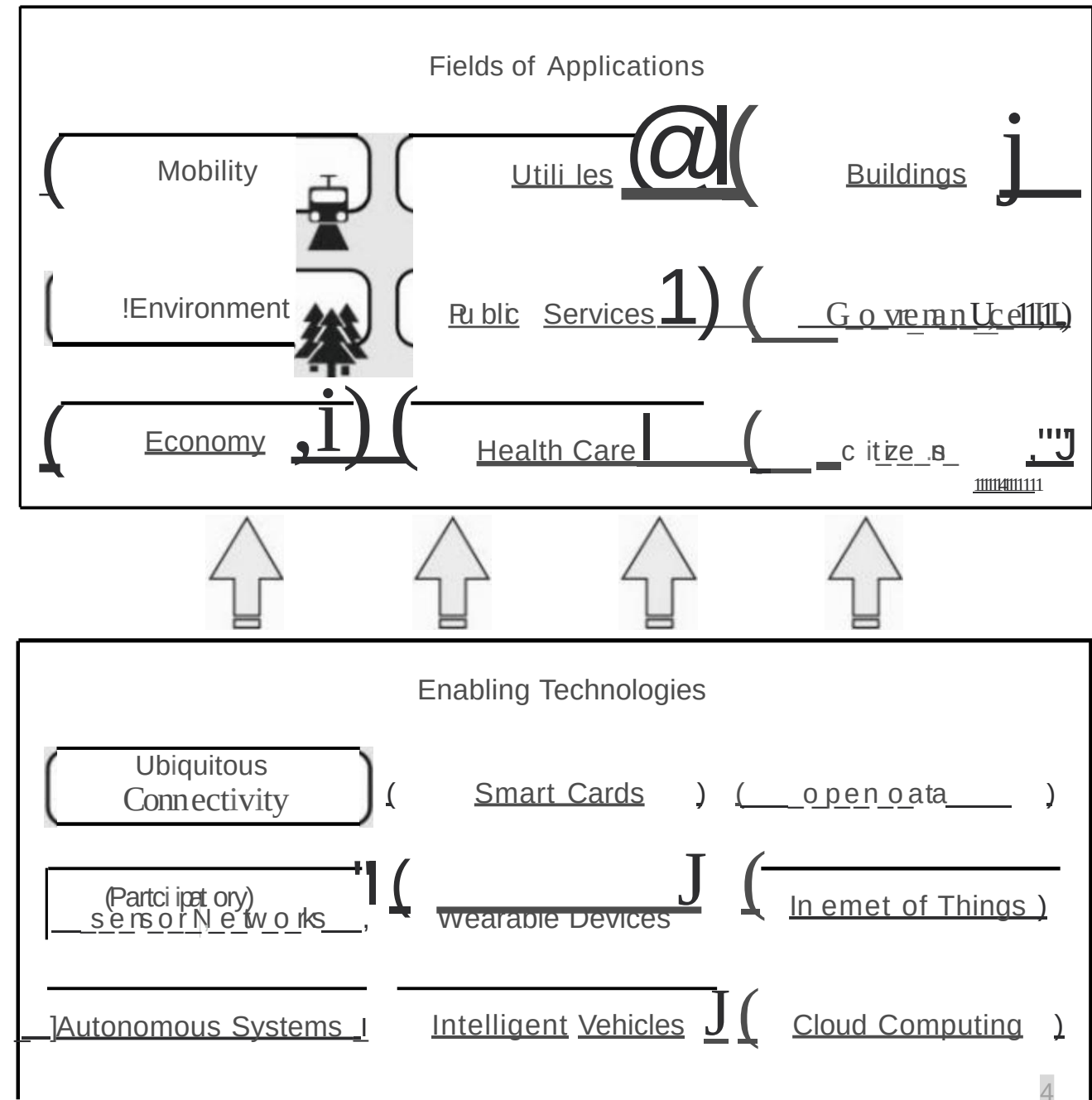


The Smart City

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Fig. 1.

smart city applications
and enabling technologies



Smart healthcare

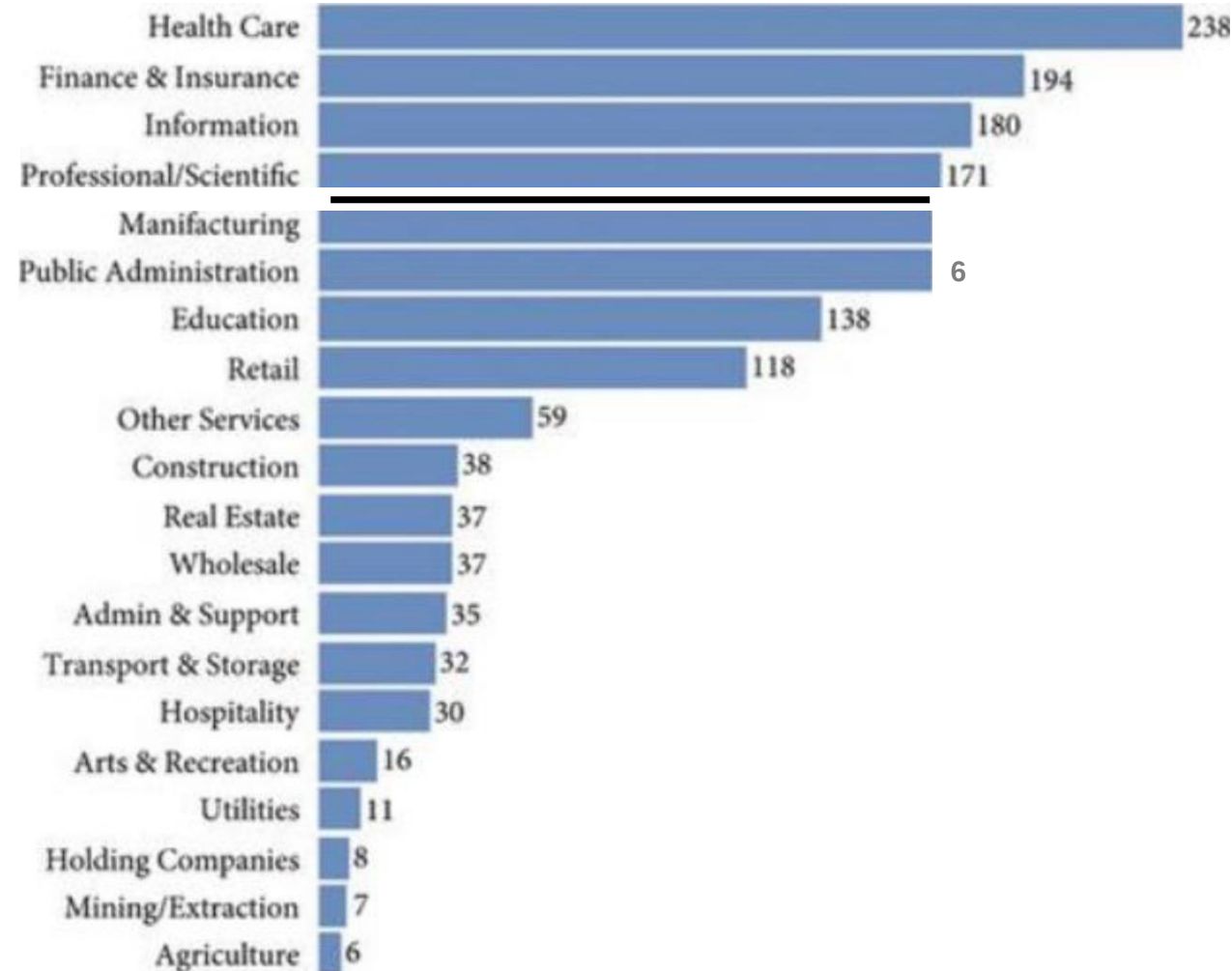
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Art. 9 GDPR

Processing of special categories of personal data

Processing of personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, and the processing of genetic data, biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning sex life or sexual orientation shall be prohibited unless

affect a person's health and life



the 2021 Mid-Year Data Breach Quick View Report

Research problem

understand users' perceptions of specific privacy protection measures in smart healthcare services

What is the research gap?



little attention to the human factors involved in healthcare data security.



insufficient studies regarding understanding of privacy protection measures

Why the gap should be addressed ?



perceptions of privacy protection measures—
directly impact their intention to accept smart healthcare services and their behavior while using smart healthcare services.

How to address?



first step in this process is ensuring they perceive and recognize the privacy measures in place.

Research question and aim



Question

How do users perceive privacy protection measures in smart healthcare services?



Aim

explore users' **concerns and expectations** when perceiving privacy protection measures in smart healthcare services.

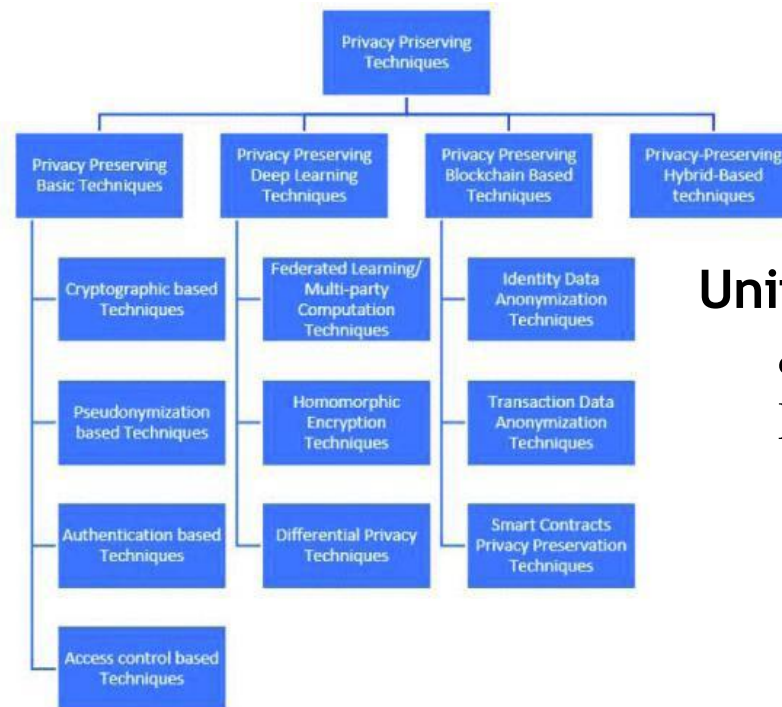


Extended background

Smart healthcare services

location-based tracking
high-speed communication
network-enabled services
IoT applications
mobile health solutions
AI-driven services
robotic systems
extended reality technologies
and telehealth

Privacy protection measures
Technical & Organizational



TAM

Technology Acceptance Model

perceived usefulness
perceived ease of use

UTAUT

Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology

Performance Expectancy
Effort Expectancy
Social Influence
Facilitating Conditions

Privacy calculus theory

perceived benefits
perceived privacy risks

PART 02

Method

research strategy, data collection
method, data analysis method,
ethical considerations

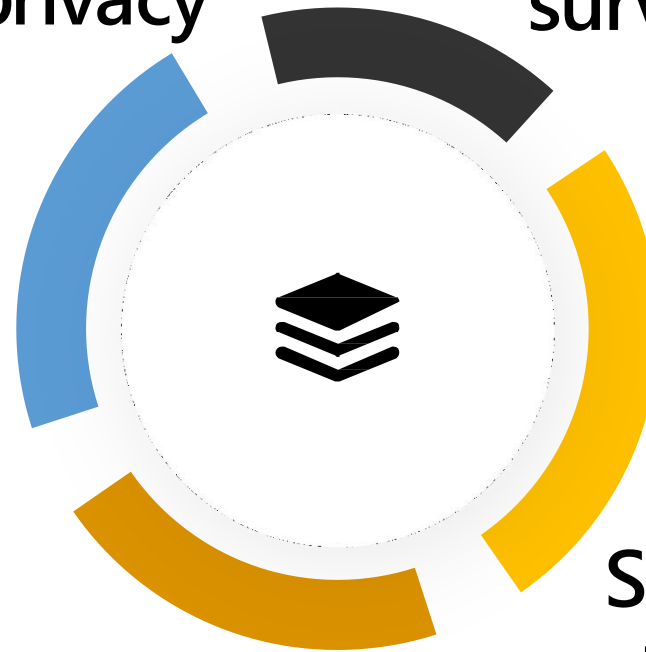


Interview Participants

Participant	Age Group	Gender	Nationality	Industry/Major
1	Middle-aged	Female	Sweden	Manufacturing Industry
2	Middle-aged	Male	India	Food & Beverage Industry
3	Youth	Male	United States	Media Industry
4	Youth	Female	Germany	Engineering Student
5	Older adults	Male	United States	Manufacturing Industry
6	Youth	Female	Sweden	Finance Student
7	Middle-aged	Female	Sweden	Gaming Industry
8	Older adults	Male	China	Retiree
9	Youth	Male	Finland	Medical Industry
10	Older adults	Female	China	Retiree

Anonymity
and privacy

Qualitative
survey



- Research strategy
- Data collection method
- Data analysis method
- Ethical considerations

Thematic
analysis

Semi-
structured
interview

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Results

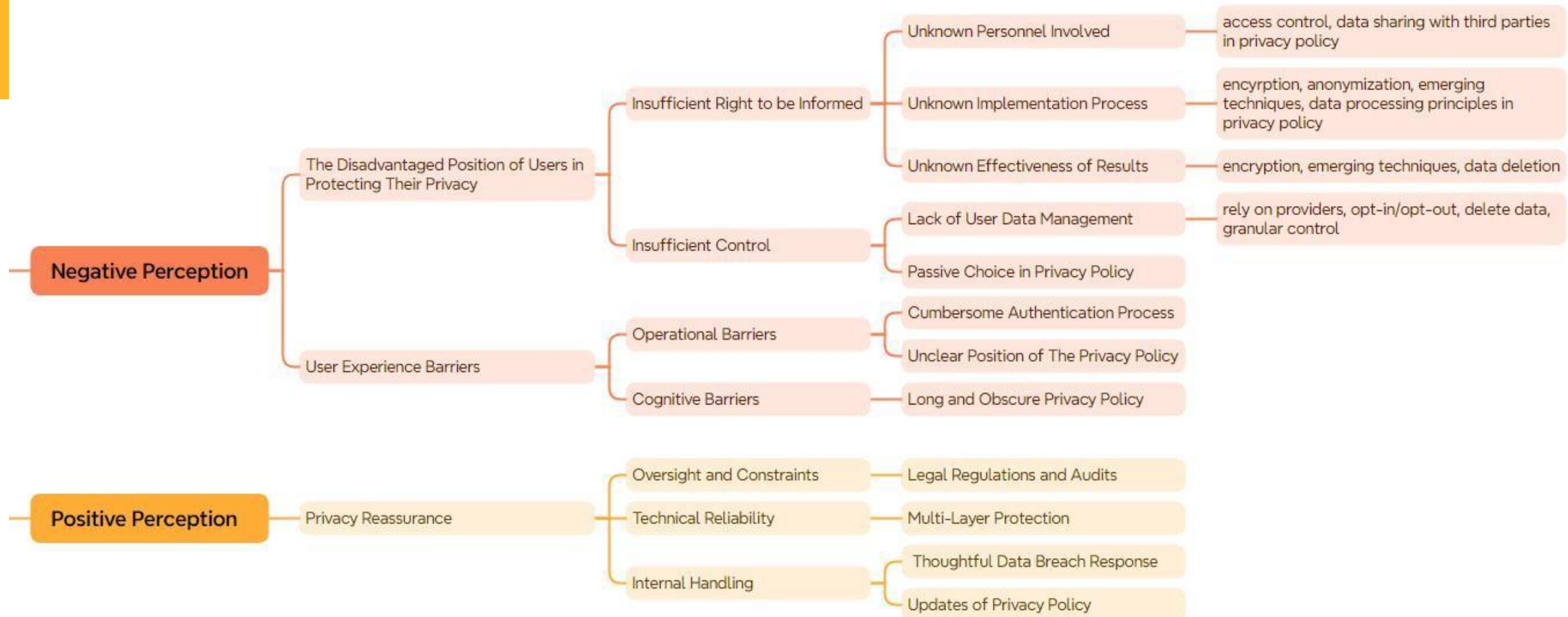
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Themes

Subthemes

Codes



Code Systems

Codes	Sources	References
[-] The Disadvantaged Position of Users in Protecting Their Privacy	10	201
[-] Insufficient Control	10	78
[-] lack of user data management	10	49
[-] passive choice in privacy policy	10	29
[-] Insufficient Right to be Informed	10	100
[-] unknown personnel involved	10	44
[-] unknown implementation process	10	84
[-] unknown effectiveness of results	10	73
[-] Privacy Reassurance	10	147
[-] Technical Reliability	7	26
[-] multi-layer protection	7	21
[-] Oversight and Constraints	10	39
[-] legal regulations and audits	10	28
[-] Internal Handling	10	31
[-] thoughtful data breach response	10	21
[-] updates of privacy policy	8	23
[-] User Experience Barriers	10	152
[-] Cognitive Barriers	10	54
[-] long and obscure privacy policy	10	27
[-] Operational Barriers	10	35
[-] cumbersome authentication process	10	25
[-] unclear position of the privacy policy	2	2

PART 04

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discussion of the results,
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ethical and societal implications,
limitations and future research directions

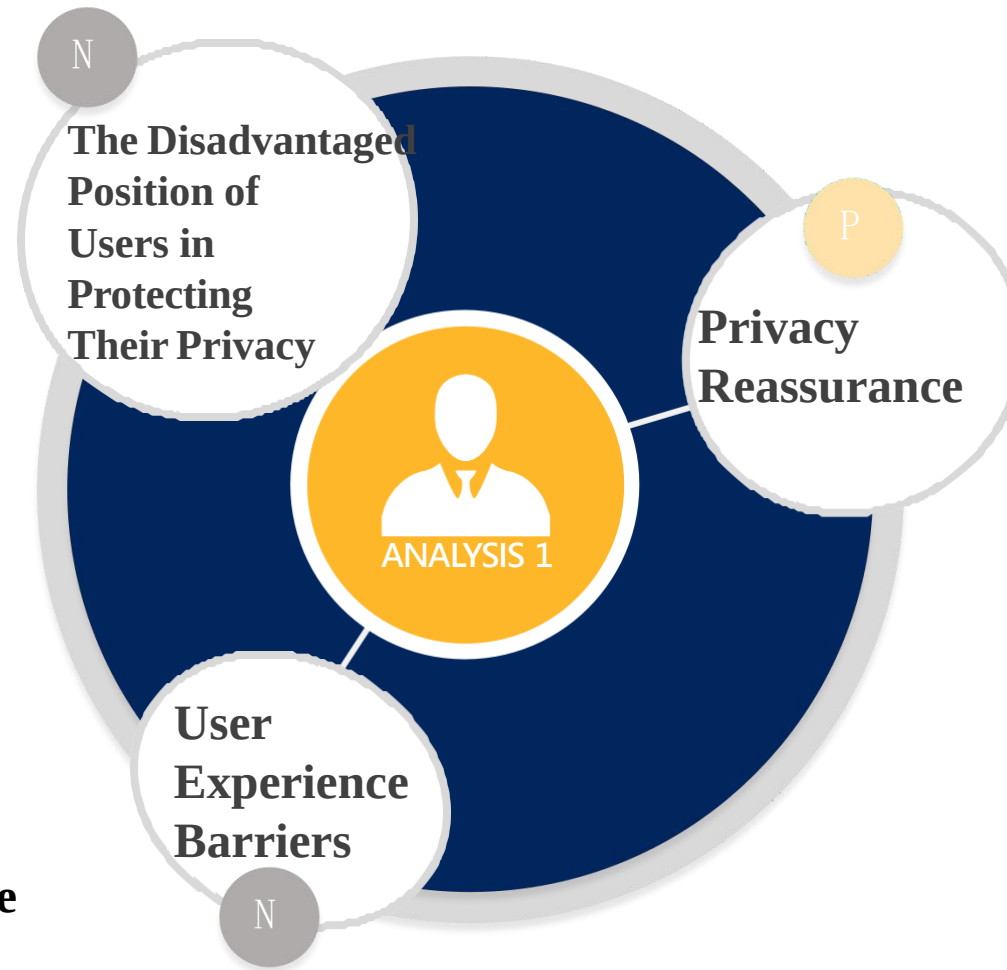


Discussion of the results

insufficient right to be informed & insufficient control → **perceived privacy risks** in privacy calculus theory

Cognitive barriers → Long and Obscure Privacy Policy → “facilitating condition” (FC) and “effort expectancy” (EE) factors in the UTAUT model.

Operational barriers → Cumbersome Authentication Process & Unclear Position of The Privacy Policy → low level of perceived ease of use in the TAM model



P positive perceptions

N negative perceptions

Technical Reliability → multi-layer protection → “performance expectancy” (PE) in the UTAUT model

Oversight and Constraints → Legal and audit constraints → “facilitating conditions” (FC) in the UTAUT model

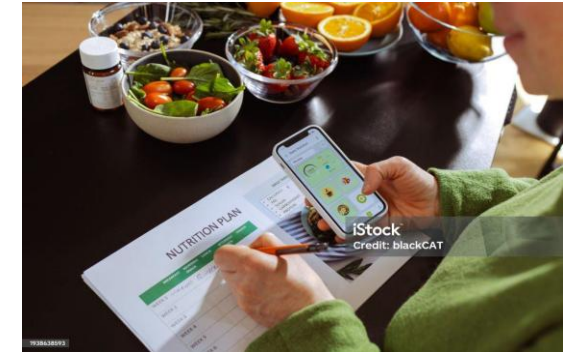
Internal Handling → updates its privacy policy & thoughtful data breach response → “facilitating conditions” (FC) in the UTAUT model

Perceptions across multiple smart healthcare services

wearable devices



mobile health management applications



telehealth platforms

medical history →
health information
sensitivity → perceived
privacy risk



medicine delivery system

offline delivery scenario



Recommendations

Improve the **perceptibility** of privacy protection measures.

based on insufficient right to be informed

Enhance **user participation** in data processing activities.

based on insufficient control



Optimize the **user experience** concerning the barriers associated with the use of privacy protection measures.

base on user experience barriers

Strengthen and **educate users' awareness** of privacy protection measures.

Ethical and Societal Implications

The Disadvantaged Position of Users in Protecting Their Privacy



Ethical: Providers continue to reinforce their control over user data rather than genuinely empowering users with privacy autonomy.

Societal: not only hinder the wider adoption of the services but also negatively affect the relationship between users and other stakeholders within smart healthcare.

Contributions



01

Theoretical

helps address the research problem by complementing the user perspective on privacy protection measures in smart healthcare

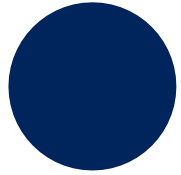


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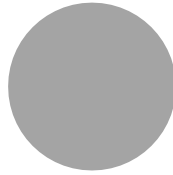
identifies the limitations of current privacy protection measures in smart healthcare services and offers concrete recommendations to alleviate users' concerns

Limitations and Future Research Directions



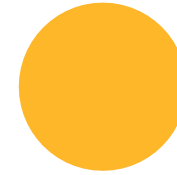
qualitative analysis and small sample size

combines qualitative interviews with a larger-sample quantitative questionnaire, a comparative analysis between older people in Europe and those in Asia can better explore the socio-cultural contexts that may shape participants' privacy perceptions.



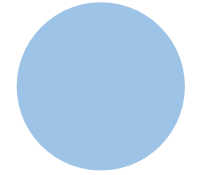
lack of comparative analysis of privacy protection measures

users' potential varying perceptions of different types of encryptions used in telehealth platforms and mobile health management applications can be investigated.



theoretical depth

refine the perceived privacy risks within the privacy calculus theory, proposing the construct related to the perceived opacity of privacy protection measures to validate its impact on trust and acceptance of multiple smart healthcare services



recommendation specificity

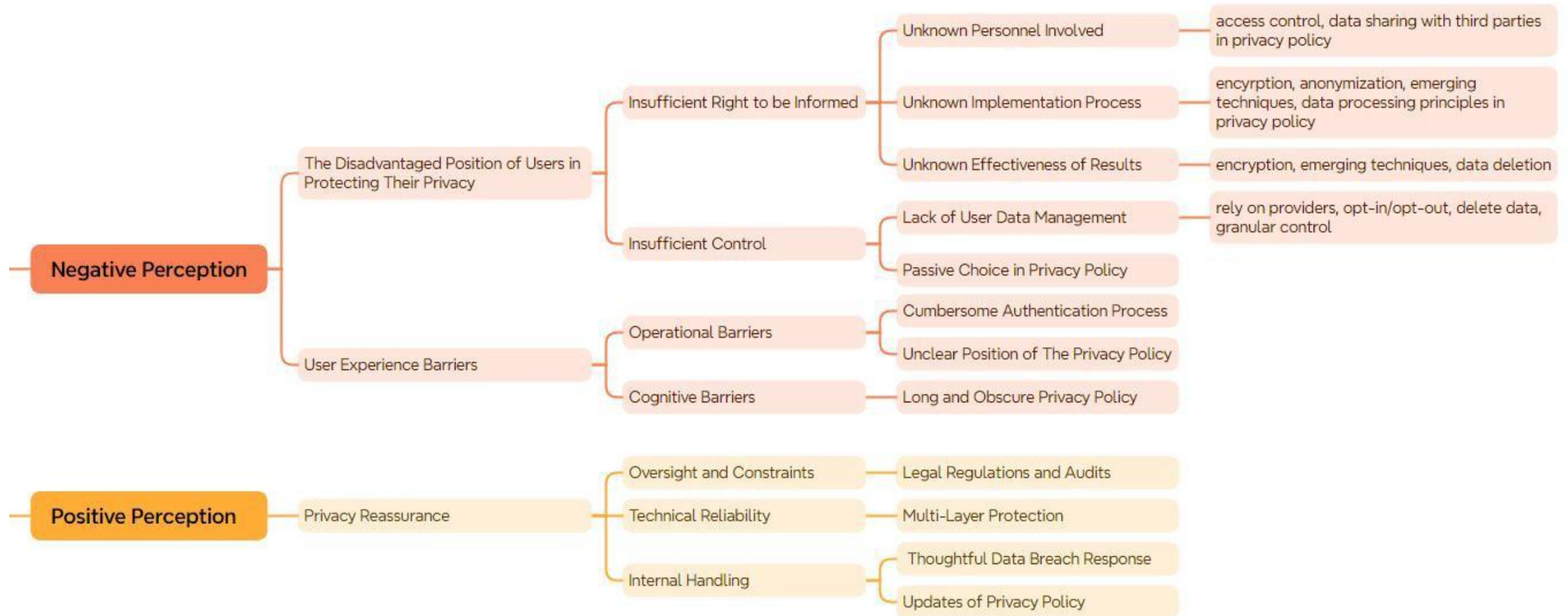
a case study exploring how to embed a user-centric end-to-end encryption design into a particular telehealth platform.

Conclusions

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