

What can we do to help after a disaster?

- Approaches to share information securely -

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Many Disasters Around Us

- Earthquakes
- Tsunamis
- Eruptions
- Deluges
- Storms
- ...

Earthquakes in NZ



Kaikoura, New Zealand, Nov. 14, 2016
(Richter Magnitude Scale: 7.8)



Christchurch, New Zealand, Feb. 22, 2011
(Magnitude 6.3)



Earthquakes in Japan



Kansai Awaji, Japan, Jan 17, 1995 (Magnitude 6.9, 6,434 Deaths)



Kumamoto Japan
Apr. 16, 2016
(Magnitude 7.3)

Earthquake with Tsunami



Great East Japan Earthquake

March 11, 2011

Magnitude: 9.1

Deaths: 15,896

Injured: 6,152

Missing: 2,562

Nuclear Accident in Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant



- Electrical generators down
- Reactor cooling system stopped
- Active cores reached meltdown
- Hydrogen gas explosions
- Radioactive material released

Evacuation Facilities (Shelters, Refuges)



More than 450,000 people evacuated to more than 2,000 shelters in the case of Great East Japan Earthquake

Information is essential!

- To find safety of their families, relatives, friends, ...
- To provide disaster medical support
- To distribute relief supplies appropriately



What can IT contribute?

- Cell phones tend to be useless
 - Network congestion
- SNS services were effective
- Google started “Crisis Response”
 - After 1 hour 45 minute later
 - Google Person Finder
 - “I’m looking for someone”
 - “I have information about someone”



Japan (in test mode)

How it works

Frequently asked questions

For responders

For developers

Google Person Finder helps people reconnect with friends and loved ones in the aftermath of natural and humanitarian disasters.



A crisis strikes and people get separated.



They let the world know they are looking for someone.



Individuals and organizations provide information.



People find information about their friends and family.

Responders

You can help people find each other in the aftermath of a disaster:

- Embed Google Person Finder in your site
- Download data from Google Person Finder
- Upload data into Google Person Finder

[See how »](#)

Developers

You can help continue to improve Google Person Finder:

- Learn about the PFIF data model
- Customize or improve Person Finder

[Get started »](#)

[Japan](#)

This repository is currently in test mode. While test mode is in effect, records that are over 24 hours old are deleted.

I'm looking for someone

I have information about
someone

PLEASE NOTE: All data entered is available to the public and usable by anyone. Google does not review or verify the accuracy of this data. Learn more about Google [Privacy Policy](#).

If you send information through "I'm looking for someone" box on Google Person Finder, the information will also be sent to [J-anpi anpi jouhou matomete kensaku service](#) ("J-anpi") operated by NTT Resonant Inc. If there is registered information responding to your query, you can see the registered information on J-anpi site. Your use of J-anpi is subject to J-anpi's [terms of services](#). J-anpi is not service provided by Google.

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Identify who you have information about

Identifying information

Name

What is this person's name?

Family name (required):

Given name (required):

Alternate family names:

Alternate given names:

Sex:

Age: Number or range (e.g. 20-30)

Home Address

Street name:

Street name only, no number

Neighborhood:

City:

Province or state:

Postal or zip code:

Home country:

Description

Describe how to identify this person.

Photo

If you have a photo of this person, upload it or enter its URL address.

URL:

Upload:

Profile Pages

Does this person have profile pages at other websites?

Select a website to add a profile page...

Expiry

When should this record disappear?

While test mode is in effect, records that are over 6 hours old are deleted regardless of the expiry date.

About 1 month (30 days) from now

Source of Record

Where did this information come from?

- This is a new record.
 This record is copied from another source.

Your name (required):

Your phone number:

Your e-mail address:

Subscribe to updates about this person:

Status of Person

Status

Status of this person:

Unspecified

Have you personally talked with this person AFTER the disaster? (required)

- Yes
 No

Last known location

Type an address or open the map below and indicate the location by clicking on the map.

[Show Map](#) [Use current location](#)

Message

Message (required)

Are they enough to help victims?

- We need to share information appropriately
 - Many classes of stakeholders
 - What kind of / how many medicines should be prepared
 - How many volunteers are required
 - ...
 - Need to control privacy for each user class
 - Reflect the intentions of the owners of the information



Families
Friends

...



Medical
Teams

...



Local
Government
Staffs

...



Volunteers

...



Press

Problem Breakdown

- Keep the information secure
 - Stored data should be encrypted
 - Searching for / calculating encrypted data
- Untrusted servers / administrators
 - Generate no plain text during processing
- Handling an unspecified number of classified users
 - If the members of a user class share a key
 - When a member leaves from the user class
 - The old key should be revoked and a new key distributed
 - This key redistribution is impractical for volunteers and friends
- Fine-grained Access Control
 - Treatment of privacy issues are proper to data owners

Granularity of Access Control

- Traditional relational databases
 - Relation (Table), Tuple (Row), Attribute (Column)
 - Not enough fine to reflect the intension of individual owner
 - Not suitable to indicate relationship between individuals

Name	Age	Gender	Stay at	email	Condition
Alice	38	female	gymnasium of school A	alic@a.com	null
Bob	60	male	hospital B	bob@b.edu	high blood pressure
Carol	29	female	gymnasium of school A	carol@c.org	pregnant
:	:	:	:	:	:

Tuple

Relation

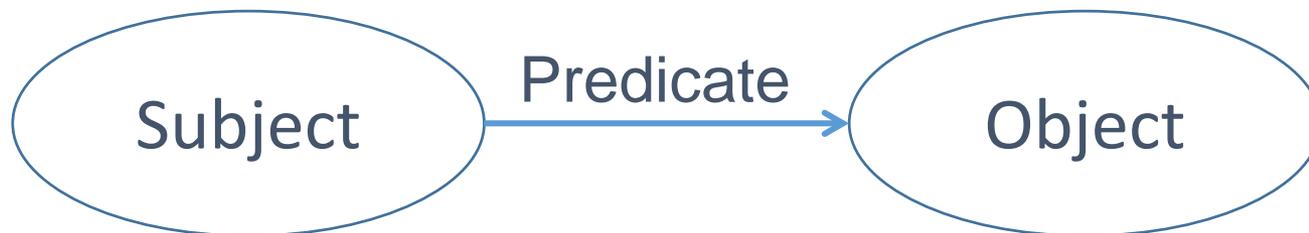
Attribute

Approaches

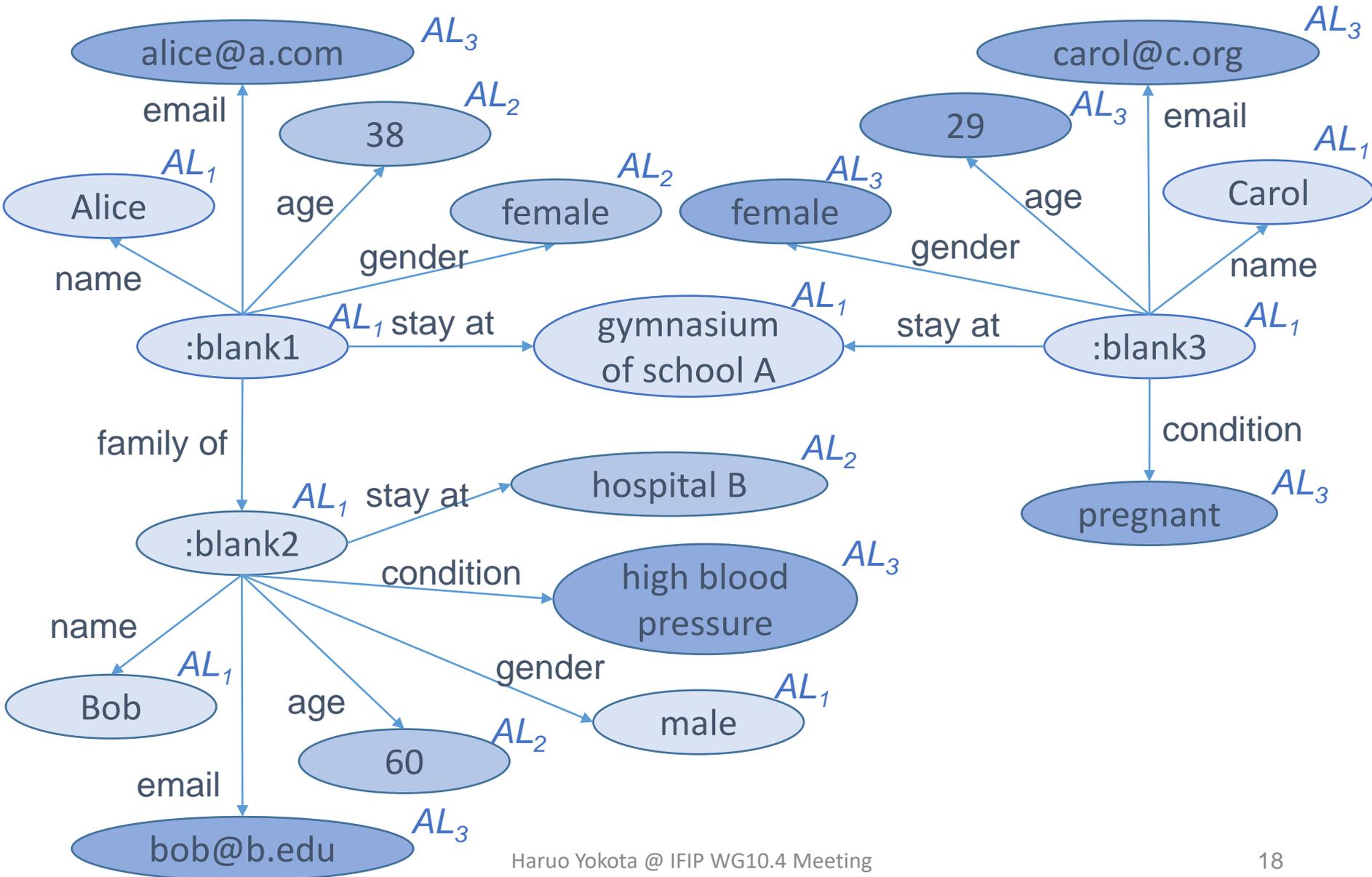
- Represent information by graph structures
 - Such as RDF (Resource Description Framework)
 - To represent relationship between individuals
 - To enable fine grain access control
 - Encrypts each node corresponding to its access level
- Map a user class (UC) to an access level (AL)
 - Each user has a secret key and a public key (PKI)
 - Node is encrypted by a public key of access level
 - Re-encrypt data between
 - Those encrypted by user public key
 - Those encrypted by public key corresponding to access level for the user class

RDF Data Model

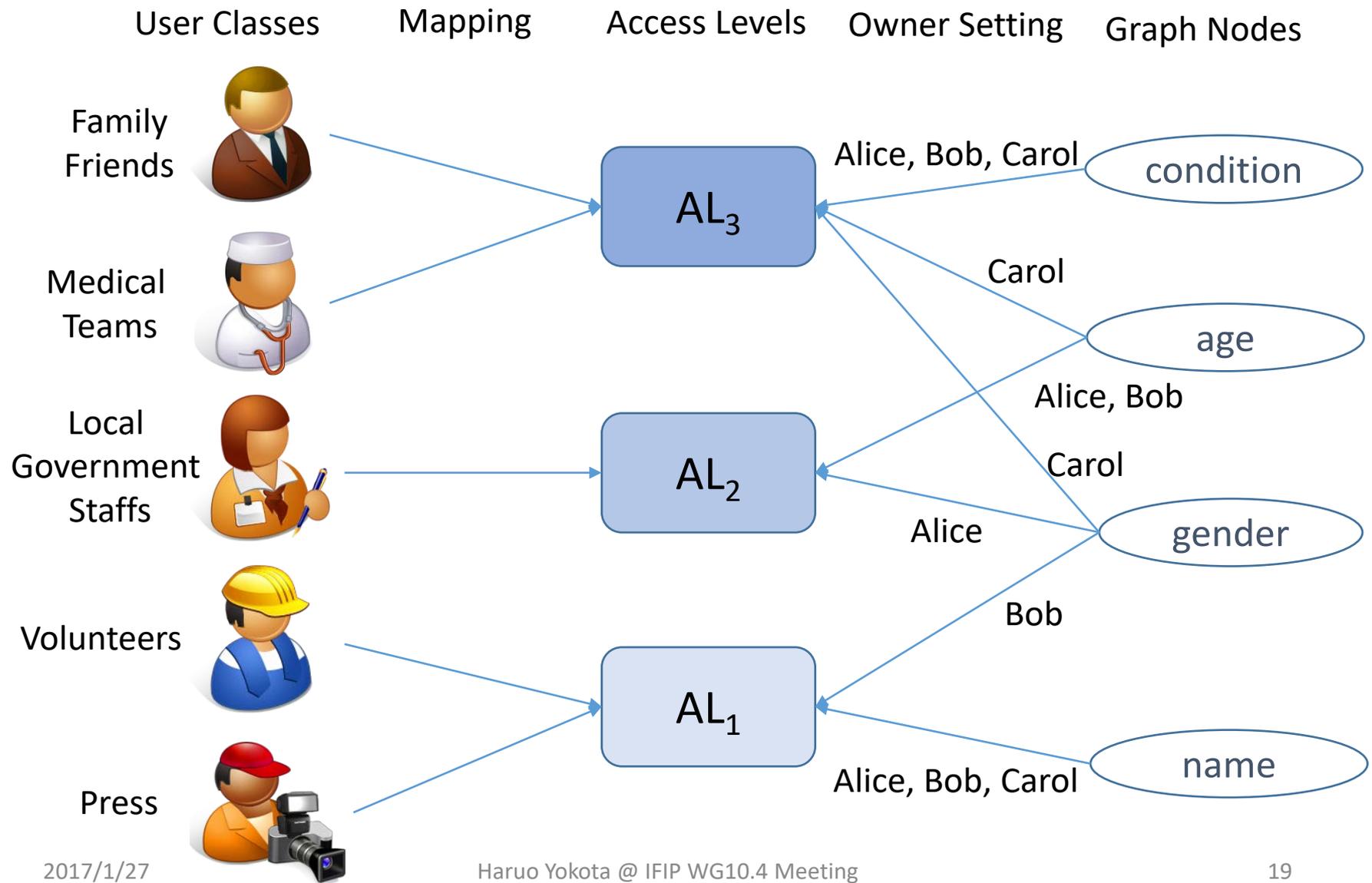
- Triple: <Subject, Predicate, Object>
 - Subject indicates a resource (an entity)
 - Predicate represents a property of the entity
 - Object is a value of the property in form of a resource or literal
- A set of triples builds a directed graph
 - Subject and Object are nodes respectively
 - Predicate is a labeled directed edge from the subject to the object



An RDF Graph Example



Example of Mapping UCs to ALs



No Plain Text in Servers

- Proxy re-encryption

- $\text{rencrypt}(\text{cipher}(X, PK_{ui}), \text{REK}_{ui,alj}) \rightarrow \text{cipher}(X, PK_{alj})$
 - From cipher data encrypted by public key of the user (PK_{ui})
 - To cipher data encrypted by public key of the correspond access level (PK_{alj})
- All Keys including the re-encryption keys ($\text{REK}_{ui,alj}$) are managed in a certificate authority

- Searchable encryption

- Pattern match with deterministic encryption
- $X = Y \rightarrow \text{cipher}(X, K) = \text{cipher}(Y, K)$

- Homomorphic encryption

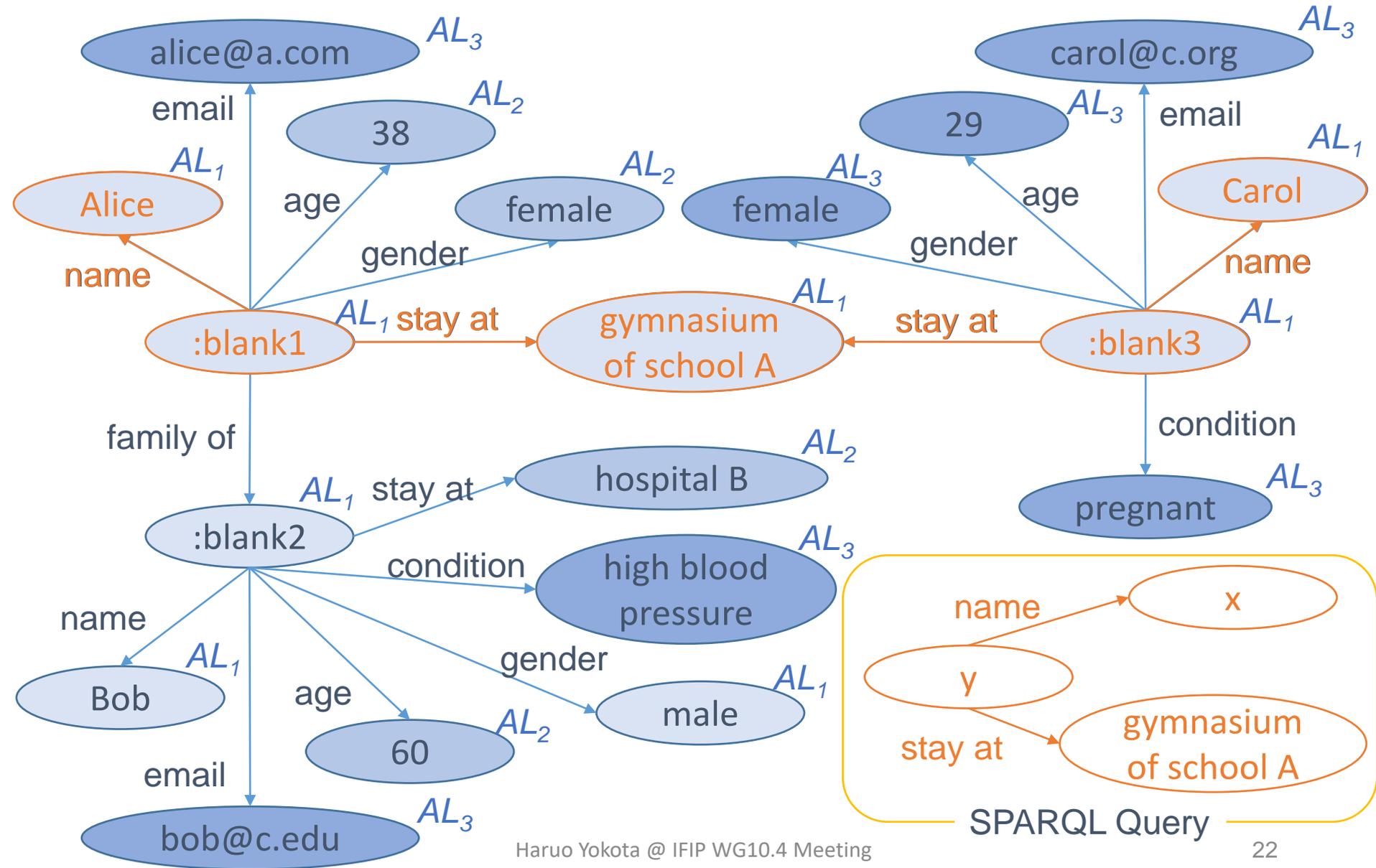
- Calculation on Encrypted Data
- $f(X, Y) = Z \rightarrow f(\text{cipher}(X, K), \text{cipher}(Y, K)) = \text{cipher}(Z, K)$

SPARQL Query Language for RDF

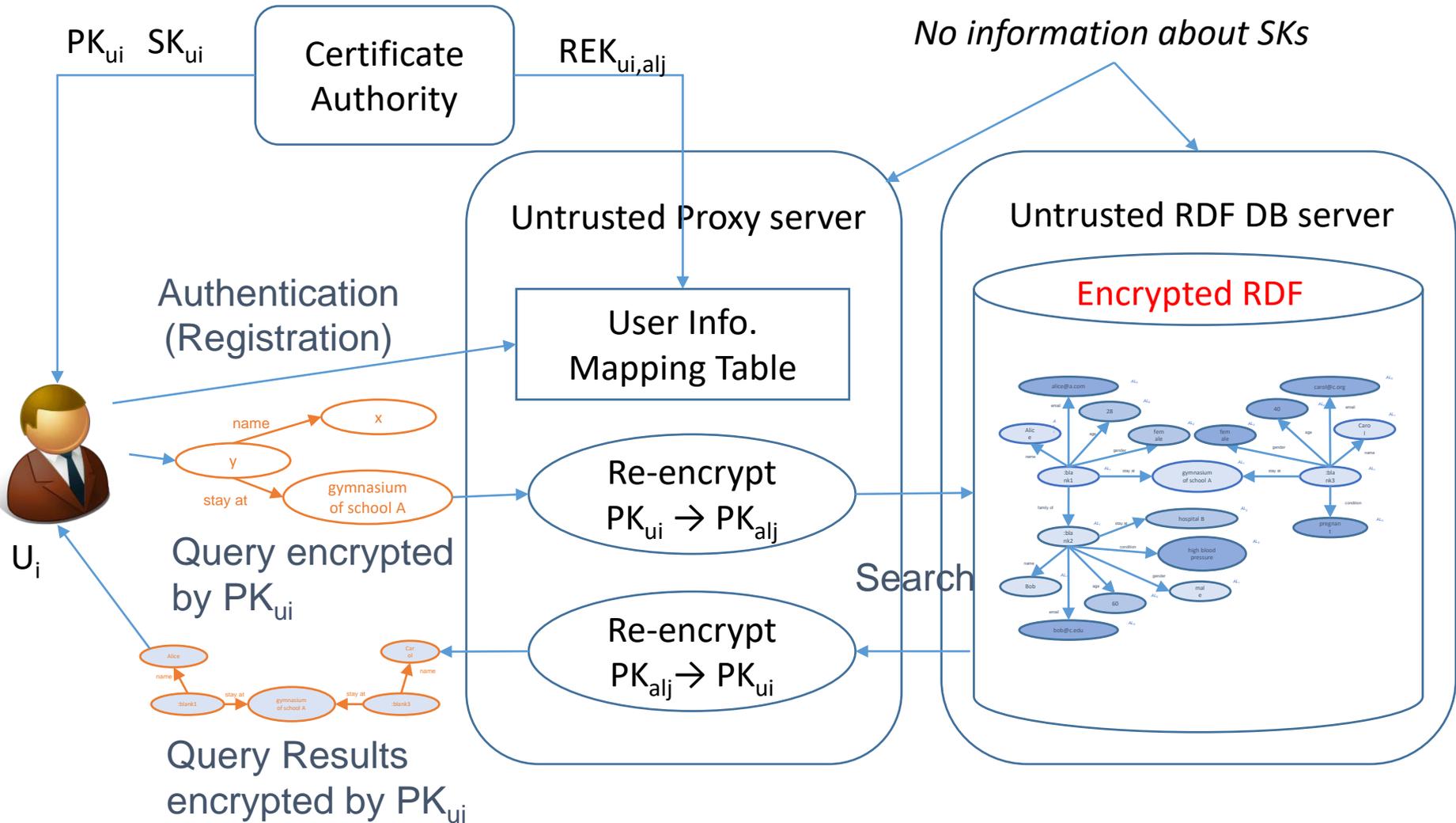
- Recursive definition (W3C)
 - SPARQL Protocol and RDF Query Language
- Pattern match for <S, P, O>
- Example
 - To derive name of victims staying in the gymnasium of school A

```
SELECT ?x
WHERE {?y name ?x
      ?y stay_at gymnasium_of_school_A
}
```

Graph Match by SPARQL



Access Flow



Security

- The queries and search results for them can only be read by U_i who has the secret key SK_{ui}
 - Because they are encrypted by PK_{ui}
- Untrusted administrators of the DB or proxy server cannot read the contents of DB, queries, or results
 - There is no information about the secret keys in servers
- Even leaked contents of the DB can be read nobody
 - No SK_{aj} is available
 - Re-encryption keys only generate cypher text that can be decrypted by authorized users
- The authorization relies on the certificate authority

Benchmark



- To evaluate approaches in environments reflecting situations of actual disasters
- Tools for generating RDF data sets
 - Use the actual location and size of the evacuation facilities
 - Published in the Web pages by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transportation and Tourism, Japan
 - Place victims whose age and gender are based on the population statistics of Japan to the evacuation facilities
 - The size of benchmark is variable by changing the number of the evacuation facilities with the distance from the center of the disaster
- Prepare SPARQL queries considering situations for helping victims
 - such as to count the victims requiring medicines

Open Issues

- Sophisticated schemes
 - Can encrypt/decrypt/re-encrypt in reasonable time
 - Searchable encryption
 - Proxy re-encryption
 - Homomorphic encryption
- Appropriate class assignment to each user
 - Assuming PKI like authentication with a certificate authority
 - Some classes may rely on user declaration, e.g. friends
- User friendly setting of the intended access level for each element by owner
 - Especially for untrained people in evacuation facilities

Other Related Issues

- Fragile IT infrastructure after the disaster
 - Power supply, server, and network environment
- Approaches
 - Distributed and redundant data placement
 - Need to consider comprehensive access level control
 - Adaptive network path selection
 - Using the information based on SNS

Related works

- Encrypted Relational Database Systems
 - CryptDB [Popa et al. SOSP'11, CACM2012]
 - MONOMI [Tu et al. PVLDB'13]
 - SDB [He et al. PVLDB'15]
 - ENKI [Hang et al. SIGMOD'15]
 - DBMask [Sarfraz et al. CODASPY'15]
- Fine-granularity encryption for RDF (Semantic Web) [Kong et al. CIS2009, Kim et al. ICUIMC2010, Rachapalli et al. ACMT2014, ...]
- Hierarchical access control [Yang et al. CompSec2004, Chen et al. AMC2005, Chung et al. InfoSci2008, ..]
- (Distribute) Proxy re-encryption [Blaze et al. ICTACT 1998, Ateniese et al. TISS2006, Canetti et al. CCS2007, ...]

Summary

- We have been suffered many disasters
- Information is essential to help victims of disasters
- Fine-grained access control on the information with providing privacy and security is required
- Approaches of mapping a user class to an access level for a graph based RDF data without handling plain text in servers are required
- There are still many issues to be solved

Questions ?