Daniel J. Solove’s
The Digital Person

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We pledge our honor that we have abided by the Stevens Honor System
Metaphors
George Orwell’s Big Brother

He’s watching, you know.

Orwellian privacy invasion is surveillance based

A single centralized authority controls the surveillance.

As one entity controls the data, there is no reason for it to propagate
Franz Kafka’s
The Trial
Knife to meet you.

More representative of modern privacy problem.

Decisions regarding data are made without individual’s consent or knowledge.

When control over data is lost, control over life is lost.
Government
Privacy Law

If the government doesn’t care about our privacy, why should we?

Current regulation is in the form of patches (eg. HIPAA). Side-effects of this are loopholes.

Privacy is not a property, data is being given not stolen

Harm is not from the public release of data. The damage focused ideology is wrong.
Market

I’ll trade your SSN for some XRP

In market-based privacy data is an asset or property.

Data should be left to the free market.

Problems:
1. Individuals have no bargaining power.
2. Data can be replicated and sold multiple times.
Solutions
Privacy vs Transparency

I read and agree to the terms and conditions.

Privacy is lost. Data collection entities must become more transparent.

So much data is collected only those with enough resources are able to manage it effectively.

Large organizations can manage the unrelenting amount of data. The average citizen cannot.
Cry a river. Build a bridge. Get over it.

Better regulate government data collection and usage.

Modify fourth amendment to protect the individual: Warrants become more subpoena-like to offer more protections and rights.

Limit post-collection usage by the government.
Questions