

Parental controls in GNOME

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Motivation

- **User** feedback
- Growth of flathub

What do parental controls do?

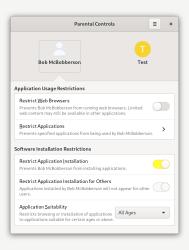


Figure: The Parental Controls app

What supports parental controls?

- 👸 gnome-shell
- 👸 flatpak
- gnome-software
- gnome-control-center
- gnome-initial-setup

Initial setup

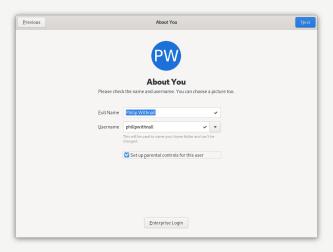


Figure: Choosing to enable parental controls in gnome-initial-setup

Initial setup



Figure: Setting initial parent controls for a non-admin user in gnome-initial-setup

Initial setup



Figure: Setting a parent password in gnome-initial-setup

What's the uptake?

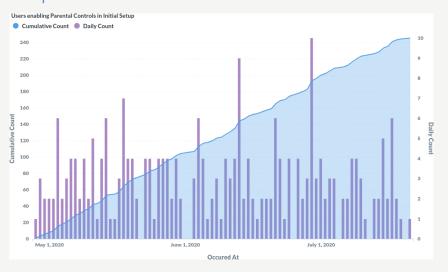


Figure: Uptake of parental controls since EOS 3.8 was released

How do parental controls work?

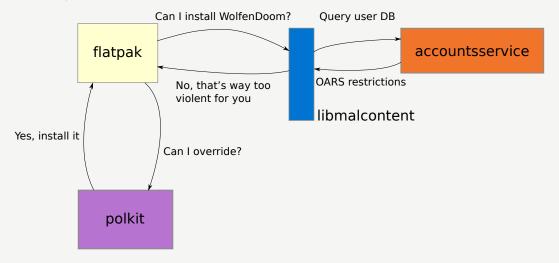


Figure: Parental controls architecture (restricting installation)

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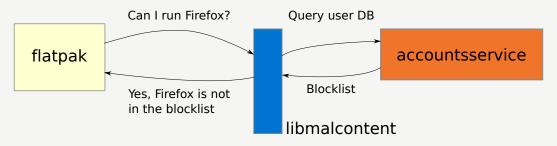


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How can I integrate my app with parental controls?

Add OARS data to your appstream: https://hughsie.github.io/oars/

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<content rating type="oars -1.1">
 <content attribute id="violence-cartoon">moderate/ content attr
 <content attribute id="violence-fantasy">moderate</content attr</pre>
 <content attribute id="social-chat">intense</content attribute>
 <content attribute id="social-info">intense</content attribute>
 <content_attribute id="social-audio">none</content attribute>
  <content attribute id="social-location">none</content attribute>
  <content attribute id="social-contacts">none</content attribute>
 <content attribute id="money-purchasing">intense</content attribute</pre>
 <content attribute id="money-gambling">none</content attribute>
</content rating>
```

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Use libmalcontent to implement internal filtering

Example code: https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/pwithnall/malcontent/-/tree/master/malcontent-client

How can I enable parental controls in my distro?

Compile everything with libmalcontent support

Ensure all your apps have OARS metadata, and gnome-software can access it

What about the future?

- Digital wellbeing
- Screen time
- Time limited sessions

Screen time mockups

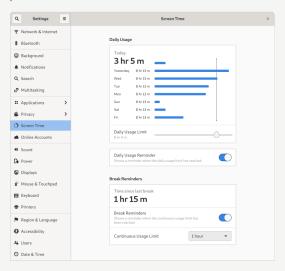


Figure: Screen time mockup (Allan Day)

Miscellany

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Slide source https://gitlab.com/pwithnall/
guadec-parental-controls-presentation-2020
malcontent project https://gitlab.freedesktop.org/pwithnall/malcontent
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Beamer theme: https://gitlab.gnome.org/GNOME/presentation-templates/tree/master/GUADEC/2020