



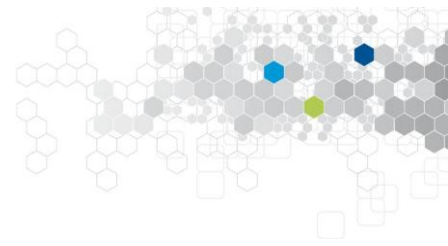
Production of Categorical Data Verifying Differential Privacy: Conception and Applications to Machine Learning

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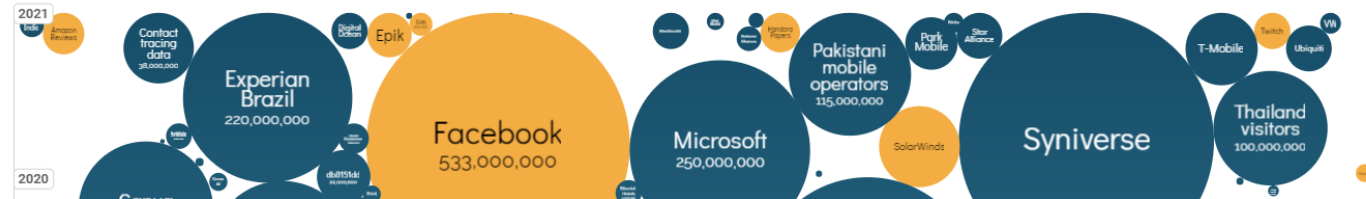
Cambridge Analytica

World's Biggest Data Breaches & Hacks

Selected events over 30,000 records

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size: records lost filter



interesting story

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- A balance needs to be found between privacy and utility.

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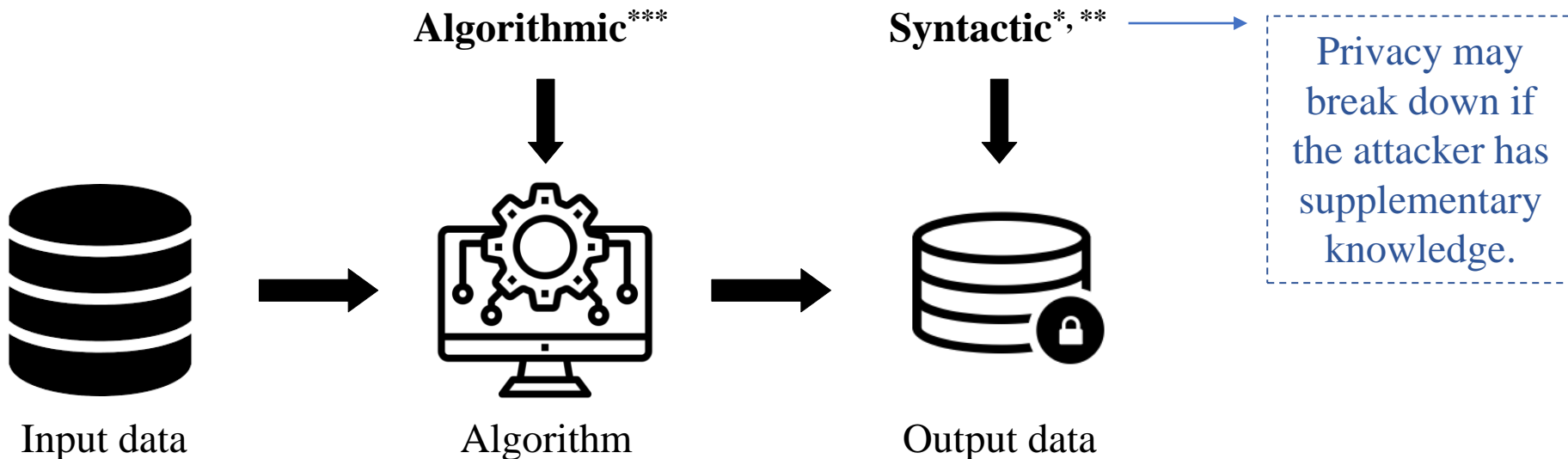
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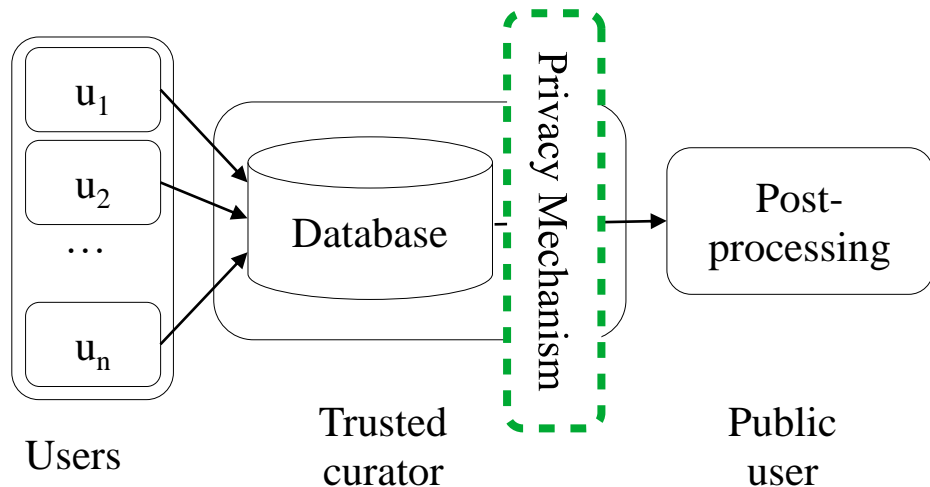


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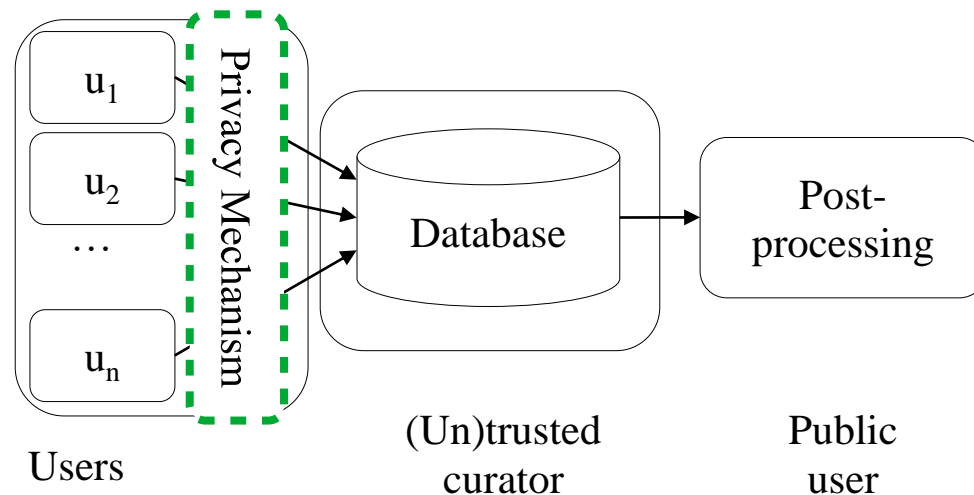
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The Trust Model: Centralized vs Local



Centralized setting



Local setting

Use of Big Data for Mobility Analytics



- Human mobility analysis through cell phone data (call detail record – CDR);

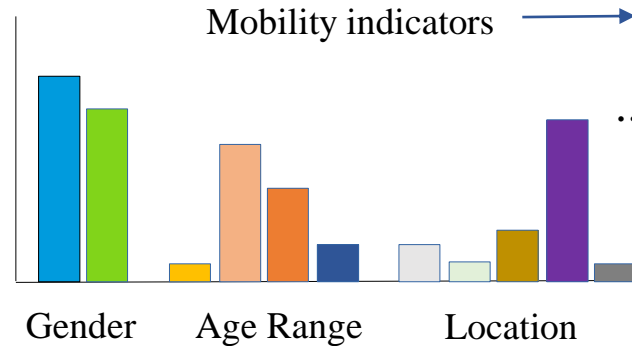
- Some motivations →



Geographic area



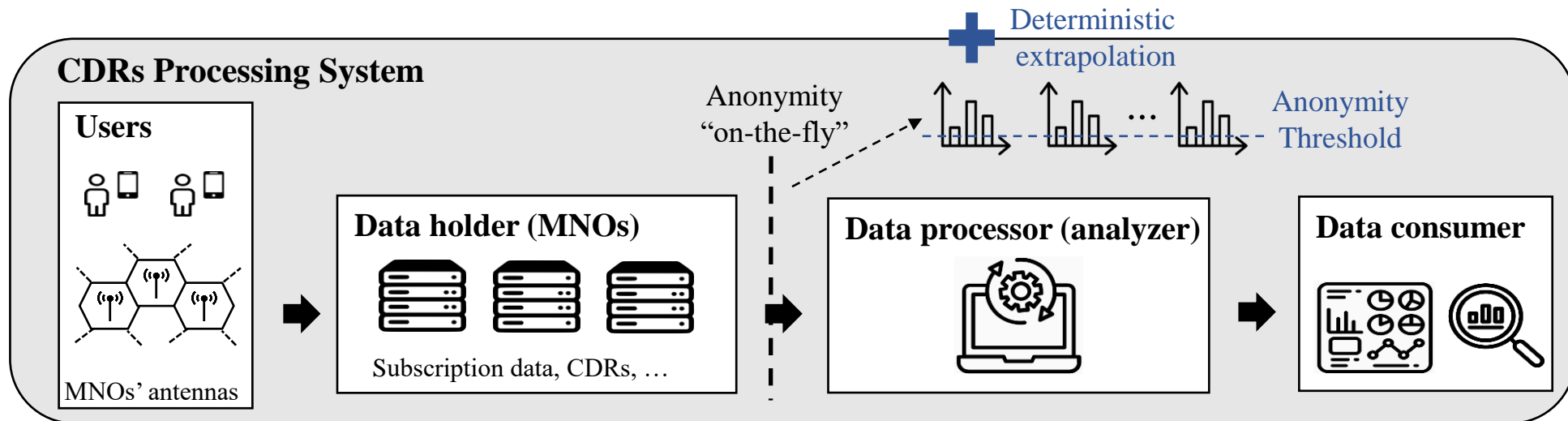
Frequency



By hour;
By day;
By cumulative days...



- Human mobility is quite **unique*** → Mobile network operators (MNOs) must respect users' privacy;
- Users **cannot** sanitize their data → CDRs are automatically generated on MNOs' servers;



Anonymity-Based Mobility Reports

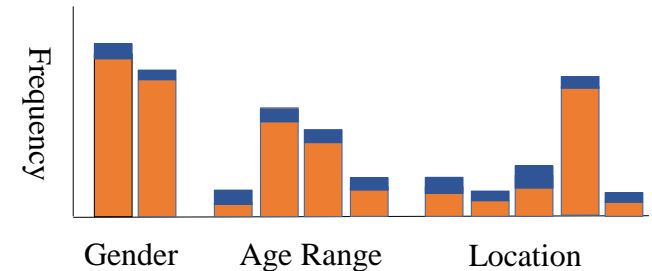


Anonymity-based solution:

- Not robust to supplementary knowledge of attackers;
- One cannot account for the privacy leak of individuals;
- Releasing raw aggregates may still be **subject to privacy attacks**^{*,**};

Differential privacy^{***}-based solution:

- Release histograms with differential privacy guarantees;
- Ex. of industry application: Google Mobility Reports^{****} ...



* Pyrgelis, A., Troncoso, C., De Cristofaro, E. What Does The Crowd Say About You? Evaluating Aggregation-based Location Privacy. In: PoPETS (2017).

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Differential Privacy (DP)*: DP → Local DP

A randomized algorithm \mathcal{A} satisfies ϵ -DP, if for **any two neighbouring databases D and D'** and for any output O of \mathcal{A} :

Intuitively: Any output should be about as likely regardless of whether I am in the database or not.

$$\Pr[\mathcal{A}(D) = O] \leq e^\epsilon \cdot \Pr[\mathcal{A}(D') = O]$$

Privacy loss

Run by a trusted server

A randomized algorithm \mathcal{A} satisfies ϵ -local-differential-privacy (ϵ -LDP), if for **any two inputs x and x'** and for any output y of \mathcal{A} :

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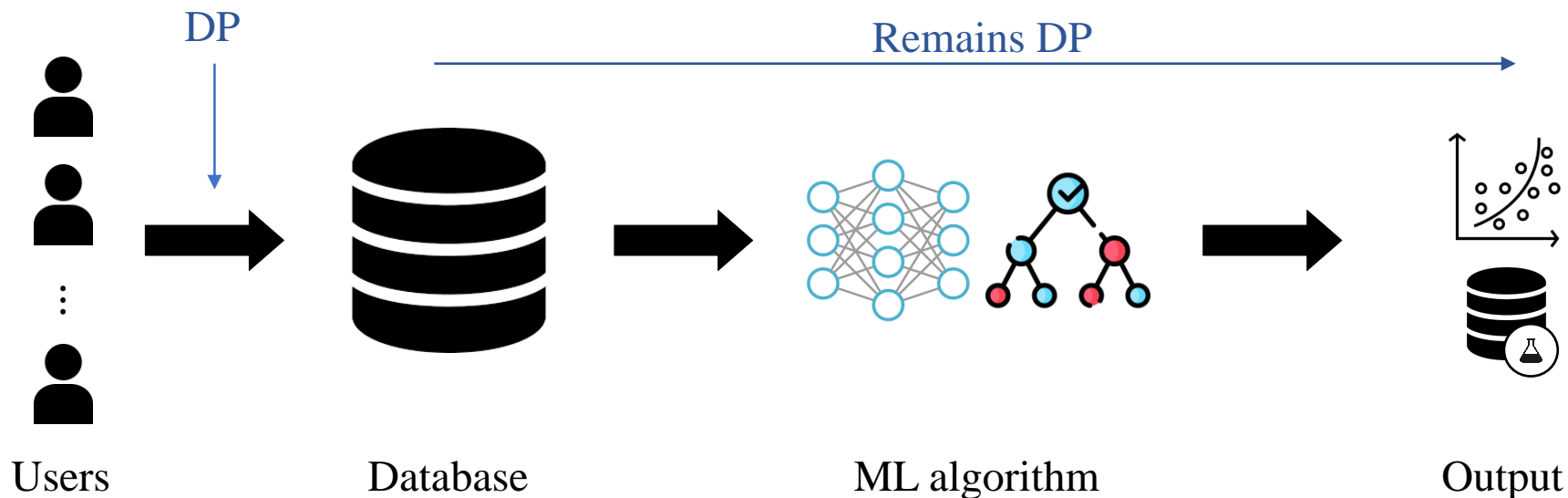
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Privacy loss

Run by each user

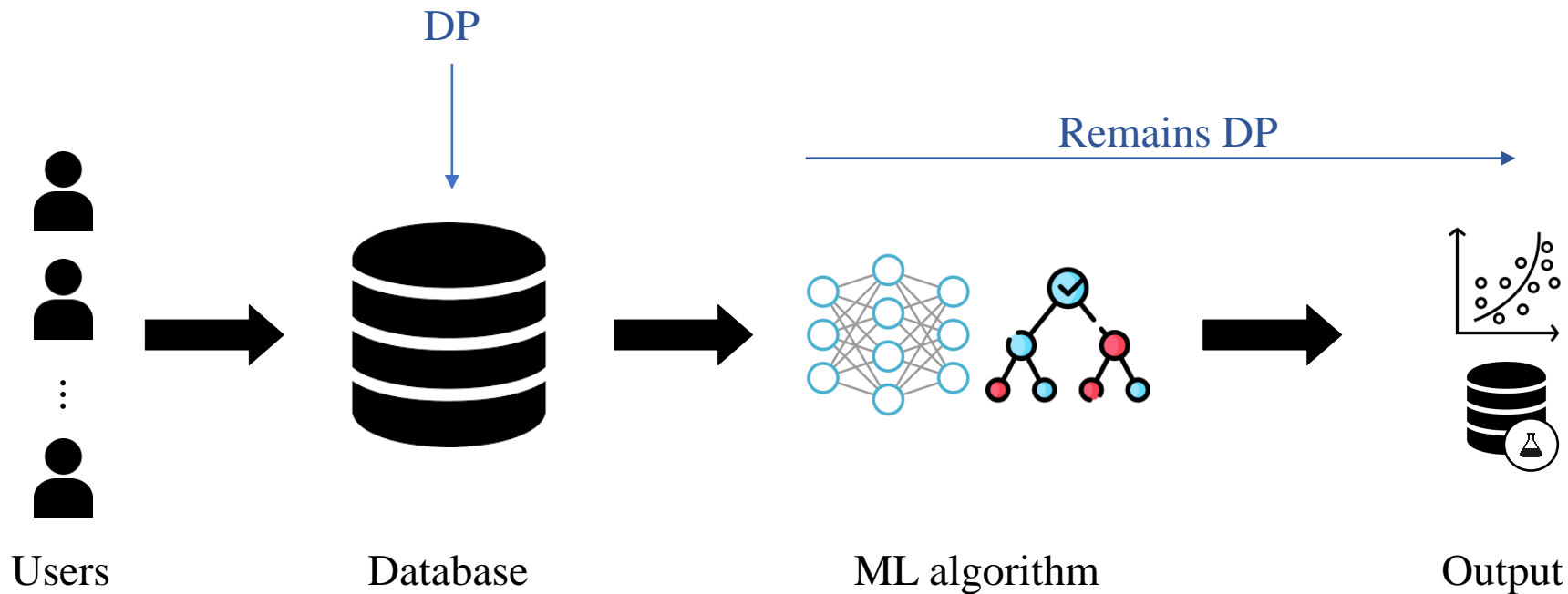


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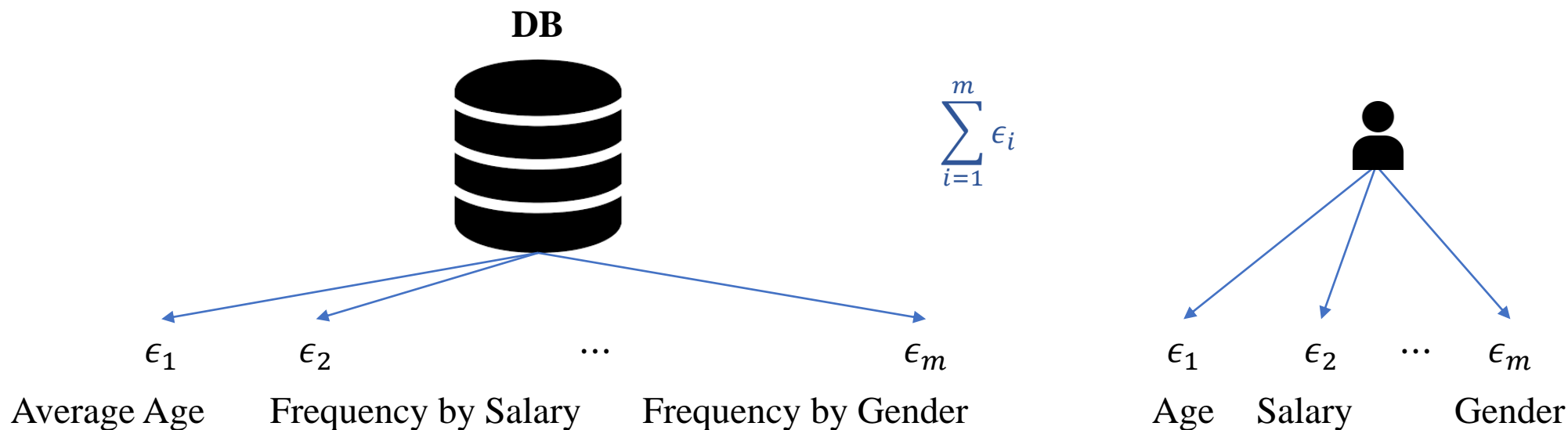
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Properties of DP*: Composition



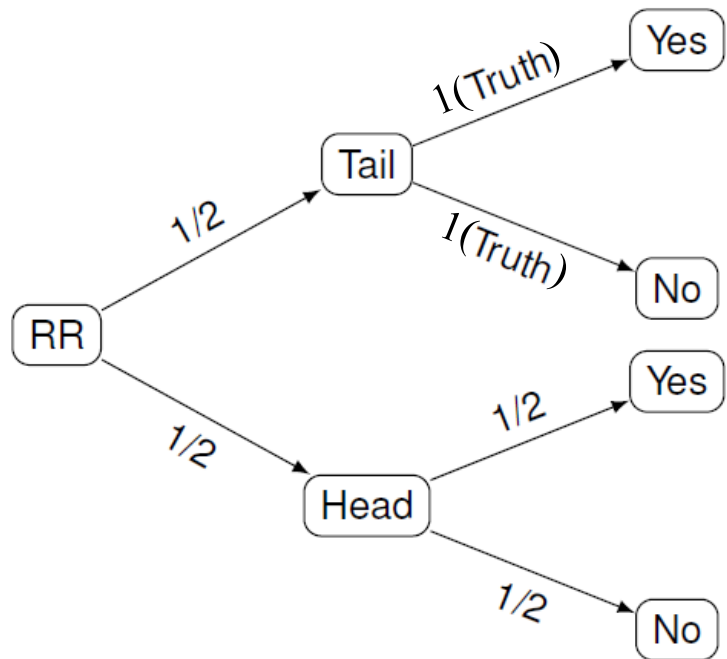
- **Composition** → DP allows to accounting for the overall privacy loss when several DP algorithms are applied to the same database (DB).



- Motivated by surveying people on sensitive/embarrassing topics.
- Main idea → Providing **deniability** to users' answer (yes/no → binary).
- Ask: “Did you test positive for HIV (human immunodeficiency virus)?”
- Each person:
 - Throw a secret unbiased coin:
 - If tail, throw the coin again (ignoring the outcome) and answer the question honestly.
 - If head, then throw the coin again and answer “Yes” if head, “No” if tail.

RR: Seeing answer, still not certain about the secret.

Frequency Estimation and ϵ Study of RR



$$p = \Pr[RR(Yes) = Yes] = \Pr[RR(No) = No] = 0.75$$

$$q = \Pr[RR(No) = Yes] = \Pr[RR(Yes) = No] = 0.25$$

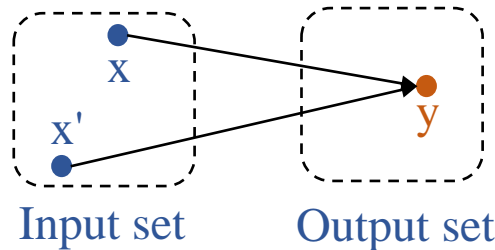
- $f(v_Y) \rightarrow$ frequency of *true Yes* (or *No* – v_N)

- $\approx \hat{f}(v_i) = \frac{N_i - nq}{(p - q)}, \forall i \in \{Y, N\}$ Estimated frequency

- Satisfies ϵ -LDP w/:

$$\frac{\Pr(y|x)}{\Pr(y|x')} \leq e^\epsilon \Rightarrow e^\epsilon = \frac{0.75}{0.25}, \epsilon = \ln(3)$$

prob. p of 'being honest'
 prob. q of 'lying'



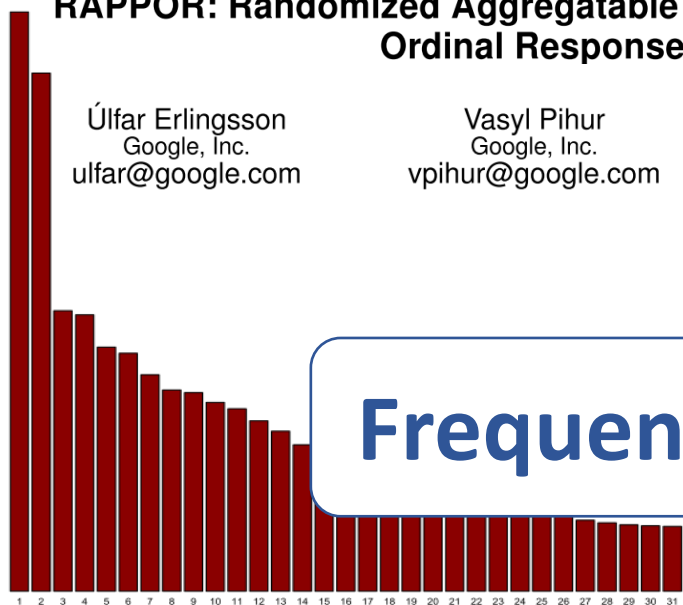


RAPPOR: Randomized Aggregatable Privacy-Preserving Ordinal Response

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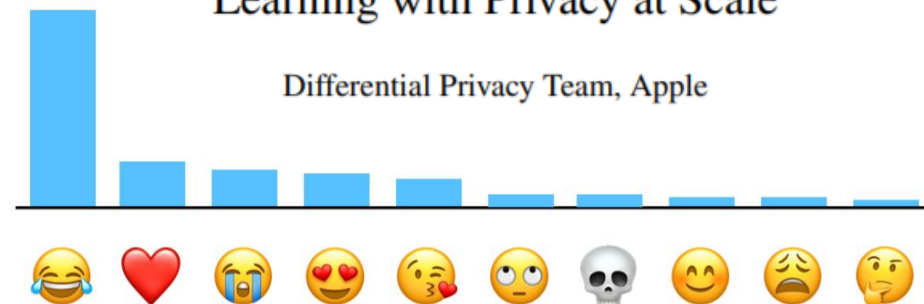
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Frequency (histogram) estimation

Learning with Privacy at Scale

Differential Privacy Team, Apple



most popular emoji to help
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Figure 6: Relative frequencies of the top 31 unexpected Chrome homepage domains found by analyzing ~14 million RAPPOR reports, excluding expected domains (the homepage “google.com”, etc.).

Collecting Telemetry Data Privately

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Windows Insiders in Windows 10 Fall Creators Update to protect users’ privacy while collecting application usage statistics.

- **Generalized RR (GRR)***: Extends RR to the case of $k_j \geq 2$.

$$\forall y \in A_j \Pr[\mathcal{A}_{GRR(\epsilon)}(v) = y] = \begin{cases} p = \frac{e^\epsilon}{e^\epsilon + k_j - 1}, & \text{if } y = v \\ q = \frac{1}{e^\epsilon + k_j - 1}, & \text{if } y \neq v \end{cases} \quad \epsilon = \ln\left(\frac{p}{q}\right)$$

- **Unary Encoding (UE)****: Encode as a bit-vector B and perturb each bit independently into a new bit-vector B' . More specifically:

$$\Pr[B'_i = 1] = \begin{cases} p, & \text{if } B_i = 1 \\ q, & \text{if } B_i = 0 \end{cases} \quad \epsilon = \ln\left(\frac{p(1-q)}{q(1-p)}\right)$$

Symmetric UE (SUE): $p = \frac{e^{\epsilon/2}}{e^{\epsilon/2} + 1}$, $q = \frac{1}{e^{\epsilon/2} + 1}$, **Optimized UE (OUE)*****: $p = \frac{1}{2}$, $q = \frac{1}{e^\epsilon + 1}$

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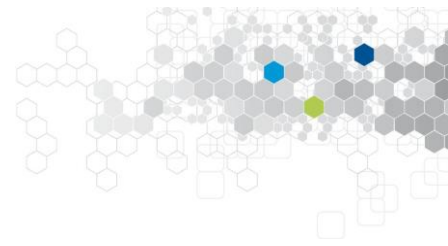
- Variance of the estimator*:

$$\text{Var}[\hat{f}(v_i)] = \frac{q(1 - q)}{n(p - q)^2} + \frac{f(v_i)(1 - p - q)}{n(p - q)}$$

$f(v_i) = 0 \rightarrow \text{Approximate Var}^*$
 $p + q = 1$ "symmetric"



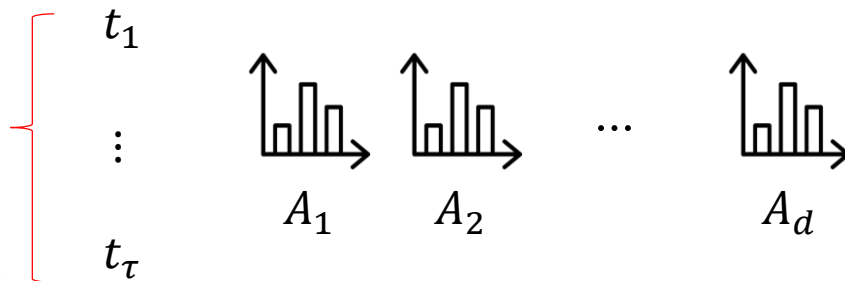
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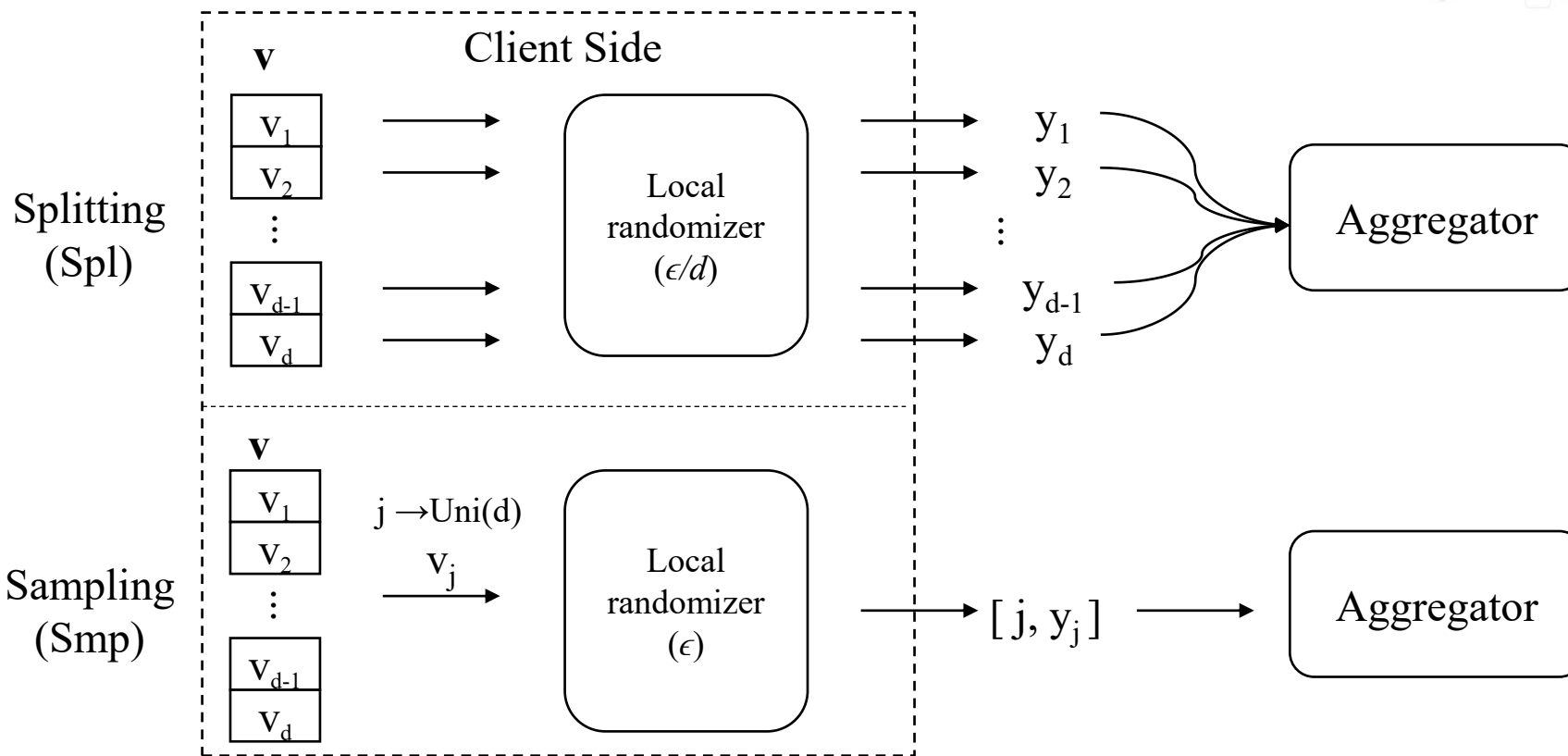


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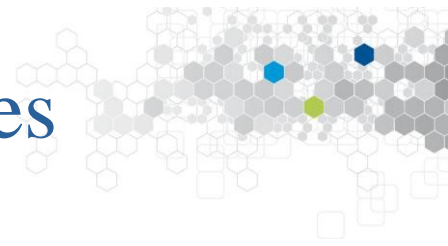
Multiple collection





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- ϵ : privacy budget;
 - d : total number of attributes;
 - n : total number of users.
- ↗ number of attributes each user will sample

Sampling-based solution*: Find r that minimizes the variance of each protocol**.

$$\text{Var}[\hat{f}_{GRR}] = \frac{d(e^{\epsilon/r} + k_j - 2)}{nr(e^{\epsilon/r} - 1)^2} \quad \text{Var}[\hat{f}_{SUE}] = \frac{d(e^{\epsilon/2r})}{nr(e^{\epsilon/2r} - 1)^2} \quad \text{Var}[\hat{f}_{OUE}] = \frac{d(4e^{\epsilon/r})}{nr(e^{\epsilon/r} - 1)^2}$$

- Variance is minimized for sampling (Smp, i.e., $r = 1$), as in*,**.

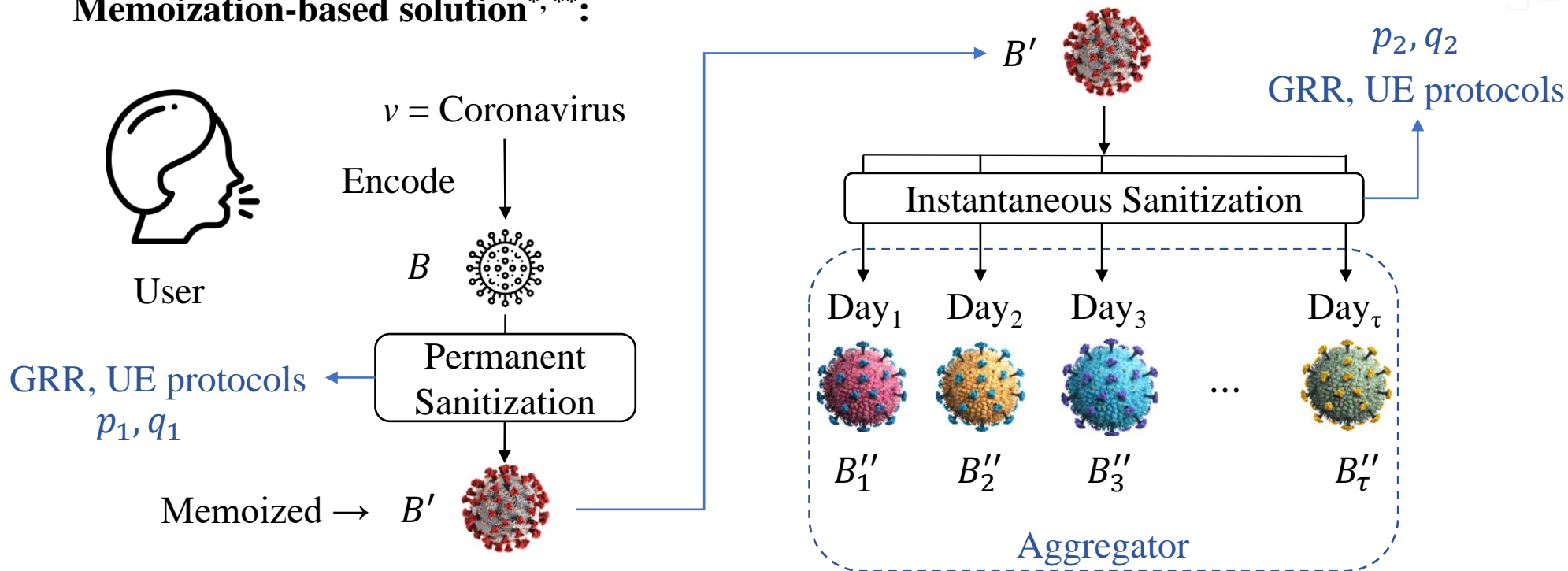
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Longitudinal Frequency Estimates



Memoization-based solution^{*,**}:



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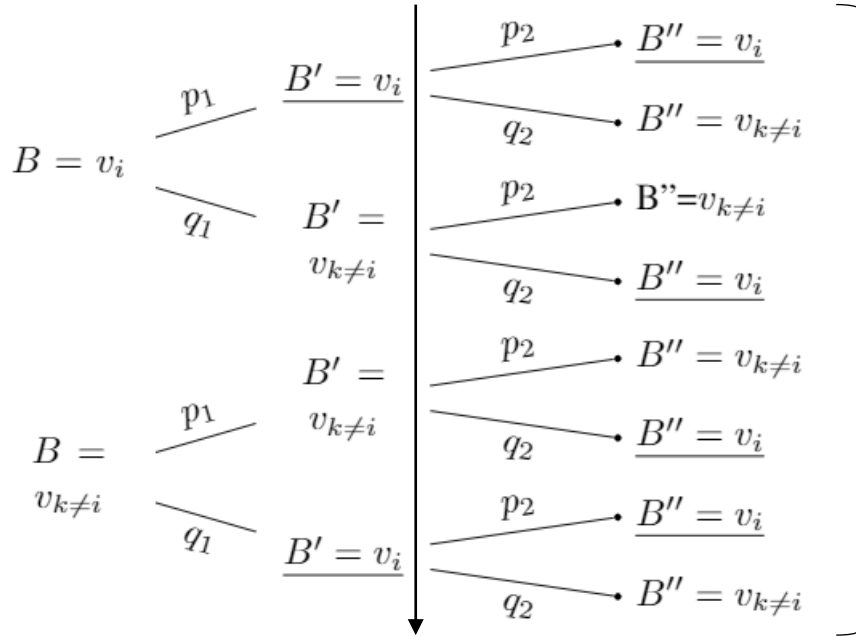
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- Approximate variance of the estimator:

$$\text{Var}^*[\hat{f}_L(v_i)] = \frac{(p_2q_1 - q_2(q_1 - 1))(-p_2q_1 + q_2(q_1 - 1) + 1)}{n(p_1 - q_1)^2(p_2 - q_2)^2}$$

Unbiased estimation and variance development in the manuscript

Longitudinal GRR: ϵ study



$$\Pr[B''|B] = \begin{cases} \Pr[B'' = v_i|B = v_i] = p_1p_2 + q_1q_2 \\ \Pr[B'' = v_{k \neq i}|B = v_i] = p_1q_2 + q_1p_2 \\ \Pr[B'' = v_i|B = v_{k \neq i}] = p_1q_2 + q_1p_2 \\ \Pr[B'' = v_{k \neq i}|B = v_{k \neq i}] = p_1p_2 + q_1q_2 \end{cases}$$

First report: $\epsilon_1 = \ln \left(\frac{p_1p_2 + q_1q_2}{p_1q_2 + q_1p_2} \right)$

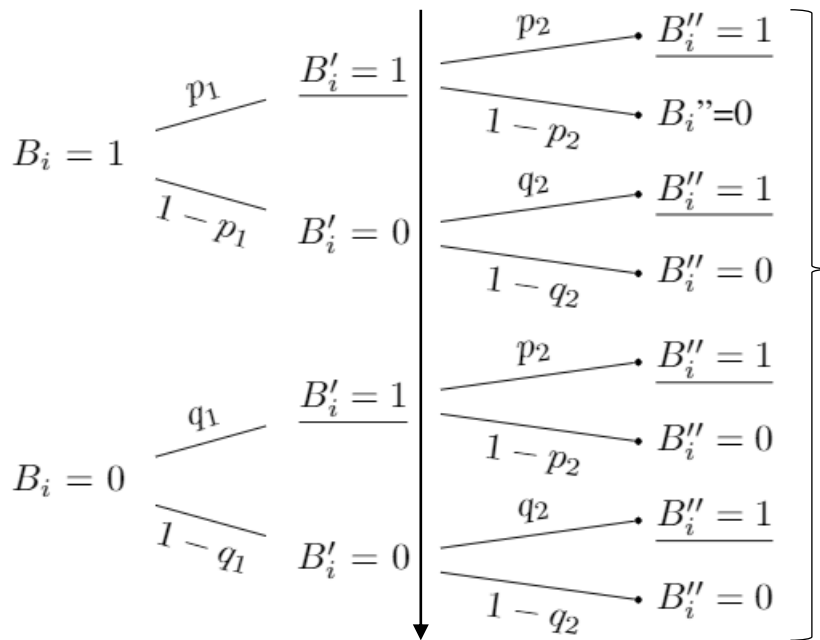
Given ϵ_∞ and ϵ_1 :

$$p_1 = \frac{e^{\epsilon_\infty}}{e^{\epsilon_\infty} + k_j - 1}, q_1 = \frac{1 - p_1}{k_j - 1}$$

Infinity reports:

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$$p_2 = \frac{e^{\epsilon_1 + \epsilon_\infty} - 1}{-k_j e^{\epsilon_1} + (k_j - 1)e^{\epsilon_\infty} + e^{\epsilon_1} + e^{\epsilon_\infty + \epsilon_1} - 1}, q_2 = \frac{1 - p_2}{k_j - 1}$$



$$\Pr[B''_i | B_i] = \begin{cases} \Pr[B''_i = 1 | B_i = 1] = p_1 p_2 + (1 - p_1) q_2 \\ \Pr[B''_i = 0 | B_i = 1] = p_1 (1 - p_2) + (1 - p_1) (1 - q_2) \\ \Pr[B''_i = 1 | B_i = 0] = q_1 p_2 + (1 - q_1) q_2 \\ \Pr[B''_i = 0 | B_i = 0] = q_1 (1 - p_2) + (1 - q_1) (1 - q_2) \end{cases}$$

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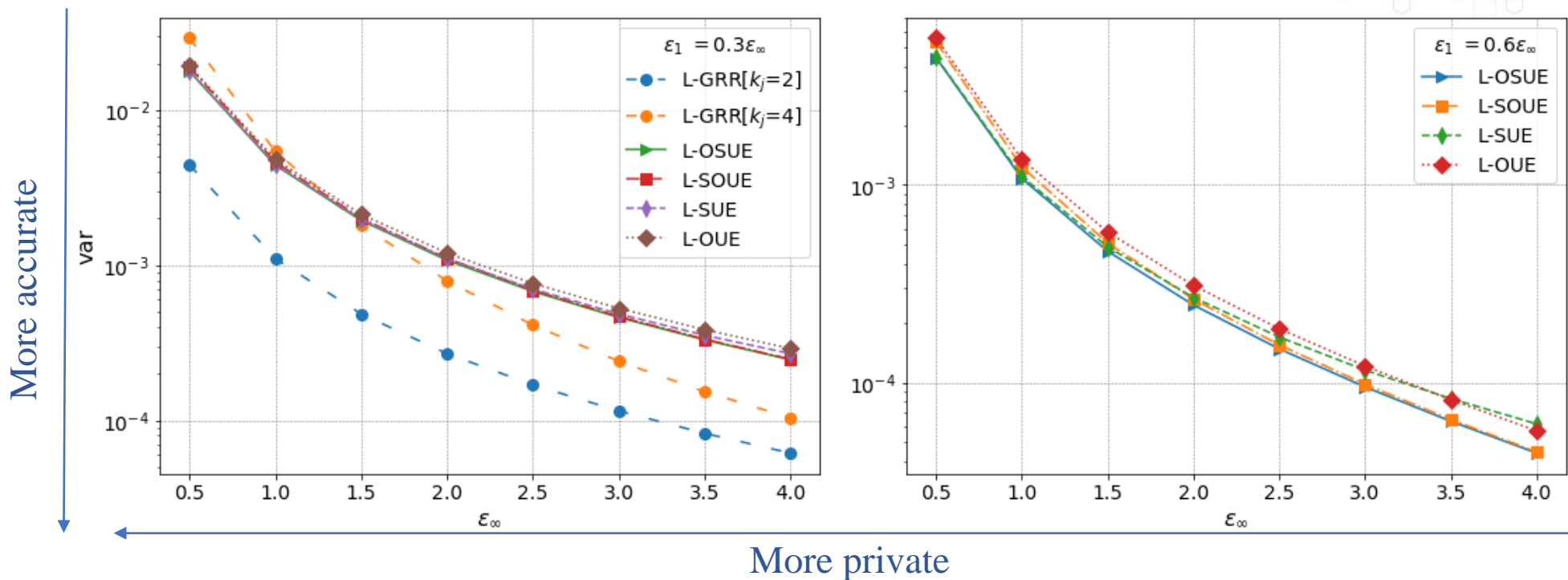
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Given SUE and OUE:

- Apply OUE twice (L-OUE);
- Apply SUE twice (L-SUE);
- OUE then SUE (L-OSUE);
- SUE then OUE (L-SOUE).

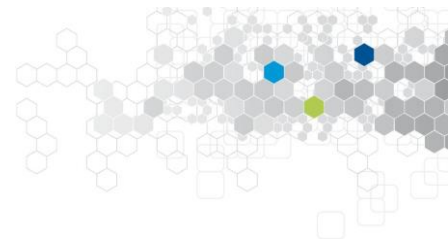
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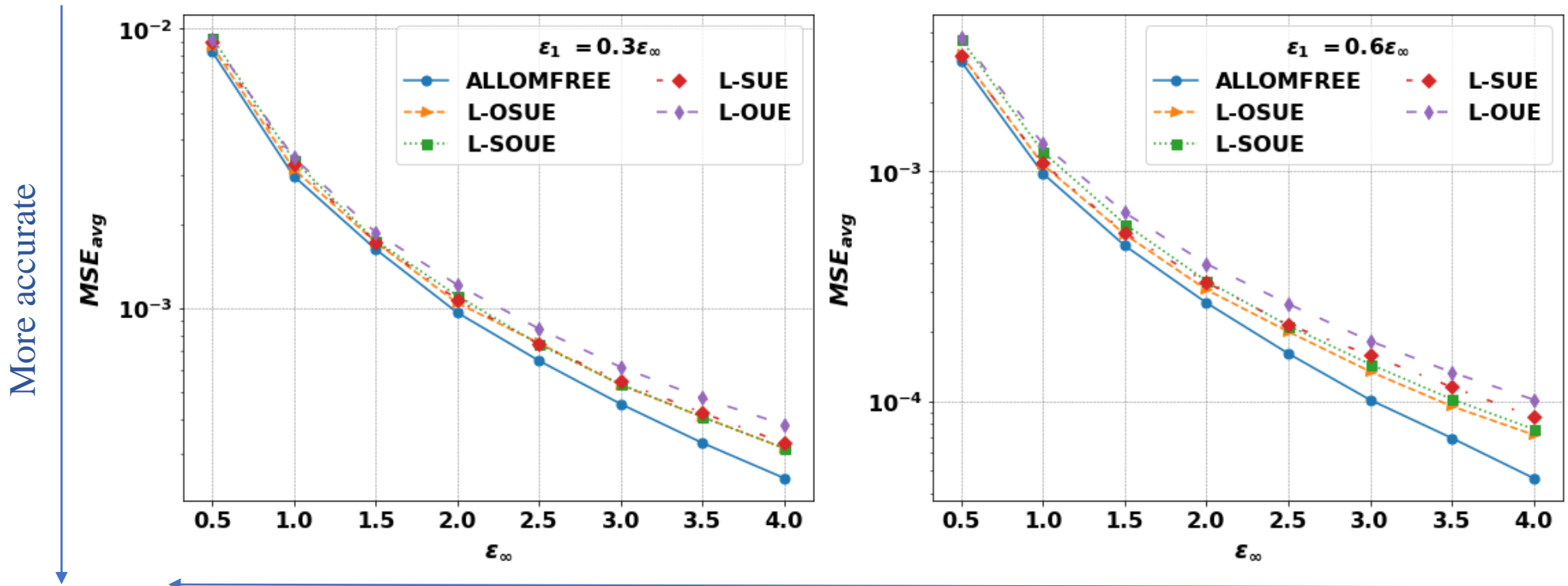
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(ALLOMFREE): $\min \left(\text{Var}^* \left[\hat{f}_{L(L-GRR)} \right], \text{Var}^* \left[\hat{f}_{L(L-OSUE)} \right] \right)$



- Dataset:
 - Census-Income*: $n = 299285$, $d = 33$, $\mathbf{k} = [9, 52, 47, 17, \dots, 3, 3, 2]$
- Evaluation: $\epsilon_\infty = [0.5, 1, \dots, 3.5, 4]$ with $\epsilon_1 = \{0.3\epsilon_\infty, 0.6\epsilon_\infty\}$.
- Methods:
 - Smp: L-SUE, L-OUE, L-OSUE, L-SOUE;
 - ALLOMFREE (i.e., L-GRR or L-OSUE).
- Metric: Averaged MSE with $\tau = 1$ (a single collection),

$$\text{MSE}_{avg} = \frac{1}{\tau} \sum_{t \in [1, \tau]} \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j \in [1, d]} \frac{1}{|A_j|} \sum_{v_i \in A_j} (f(v_i) - \hat{f}(v_i))^2.$$

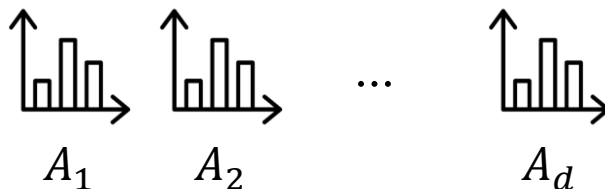


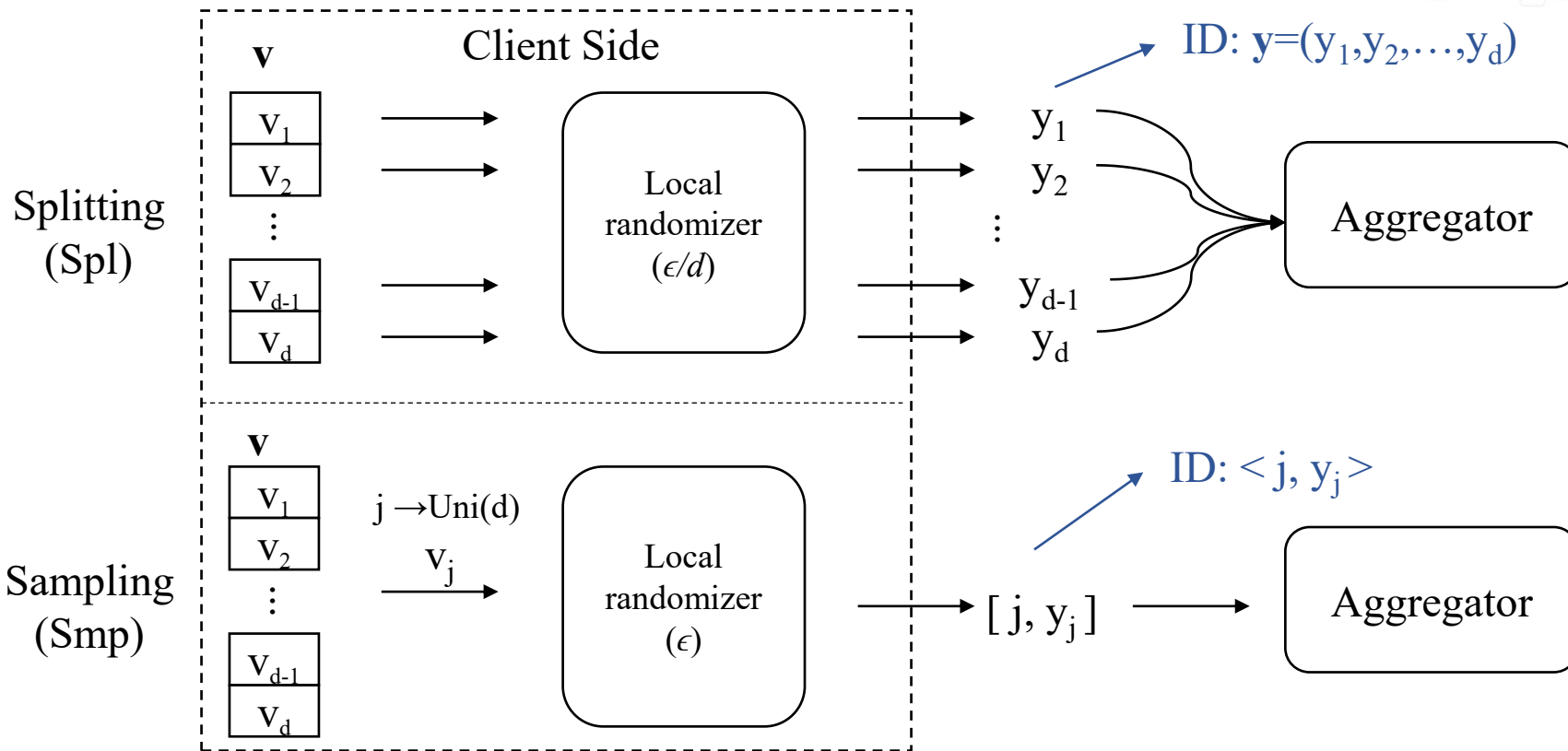


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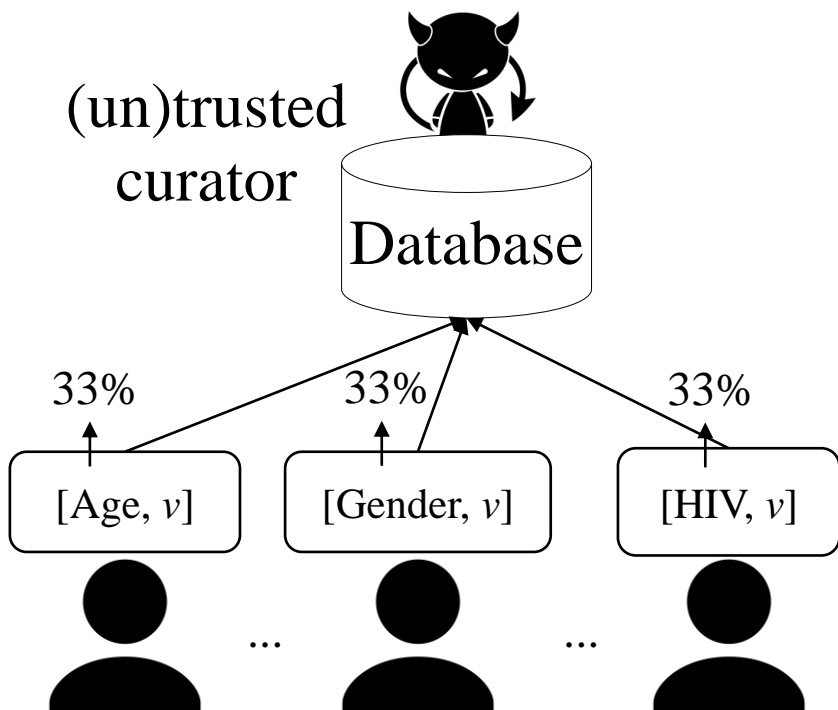




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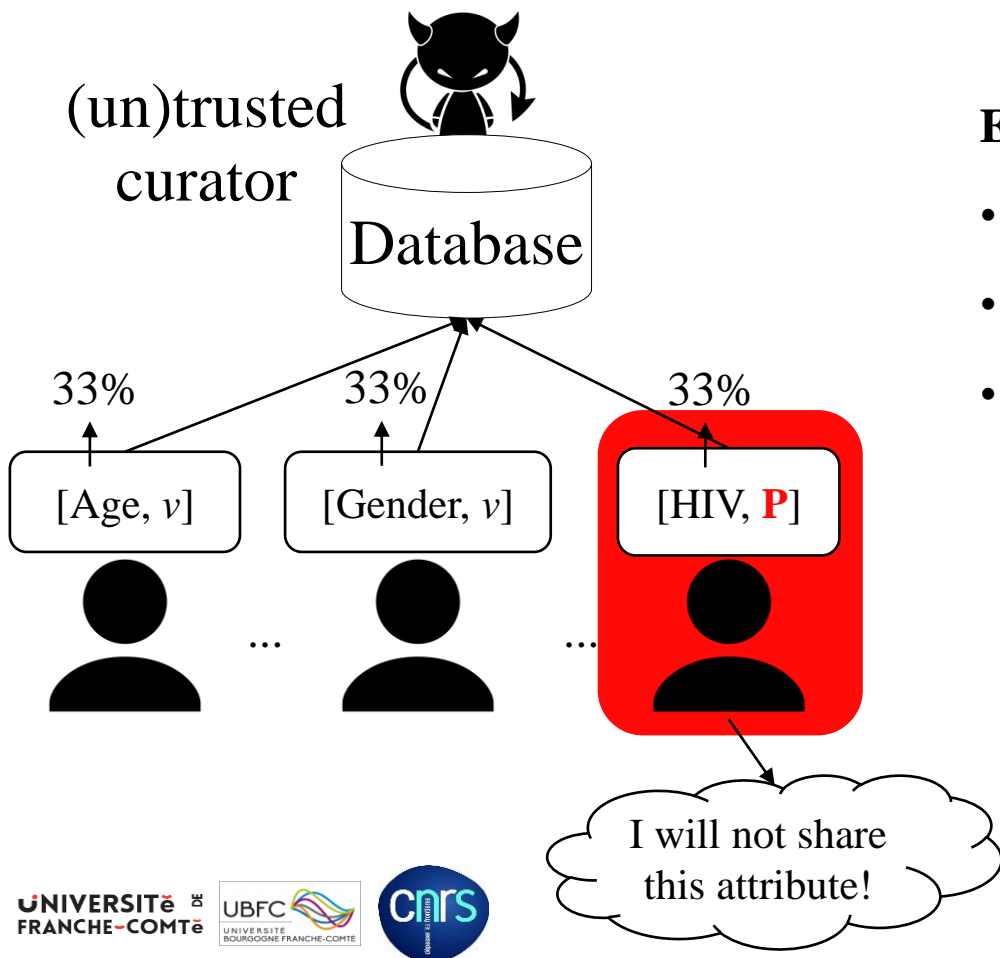
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OUE otherwise

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Why not *Smp*?

All attributes have equal 'weight' in terms of privacy.



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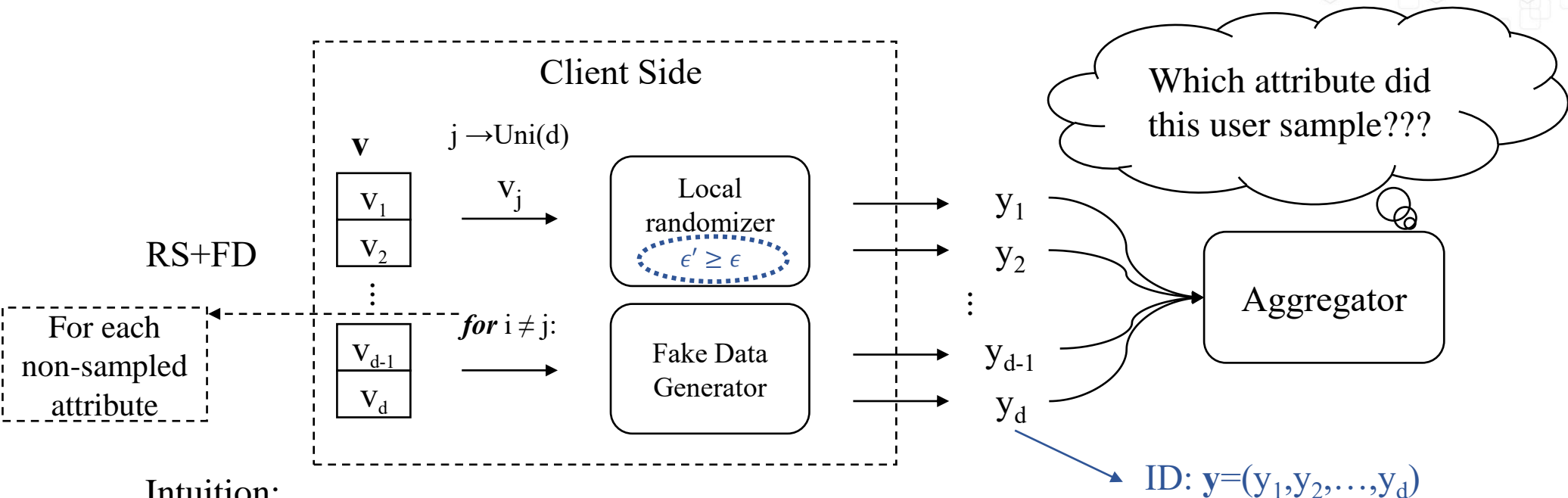
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$$p_{grr} = \frac{e^\epsilon}{e^\epsilon + k_j - 1} \approx 0.88 \text{ (probability of 'being honest')}$$

$$q_{grr} = \frac{1 - p_{grr}}{k_j - 1} \approx 0.12 \text{ (probability of 'lying')}$$

RS+FD: Random Sampling + Fake Data

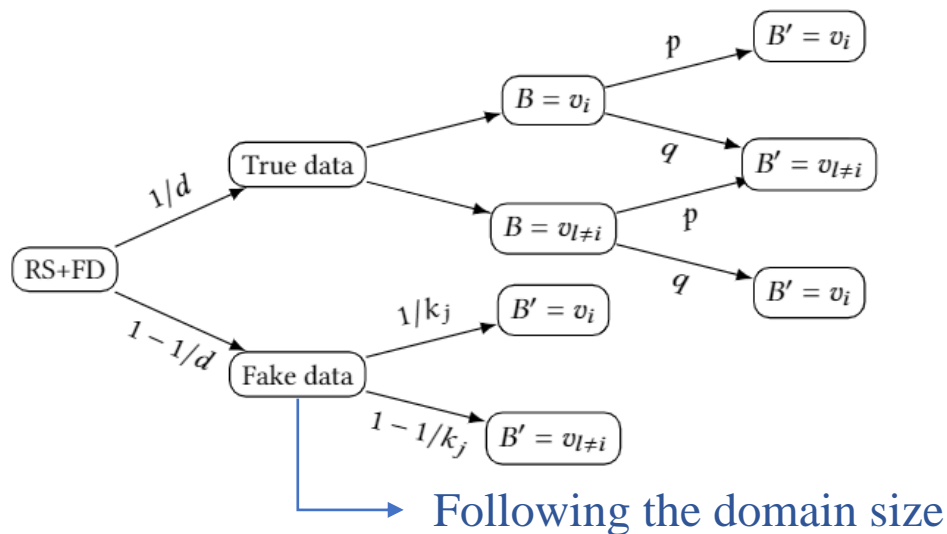


Intuition:

- RS+FD introduces **uncertainty** in the view of the aggregator.
- **Sampling result is not disclosed**, what is the impact in terms of privacy*?



Client-Side of RS+FD[GRR]:



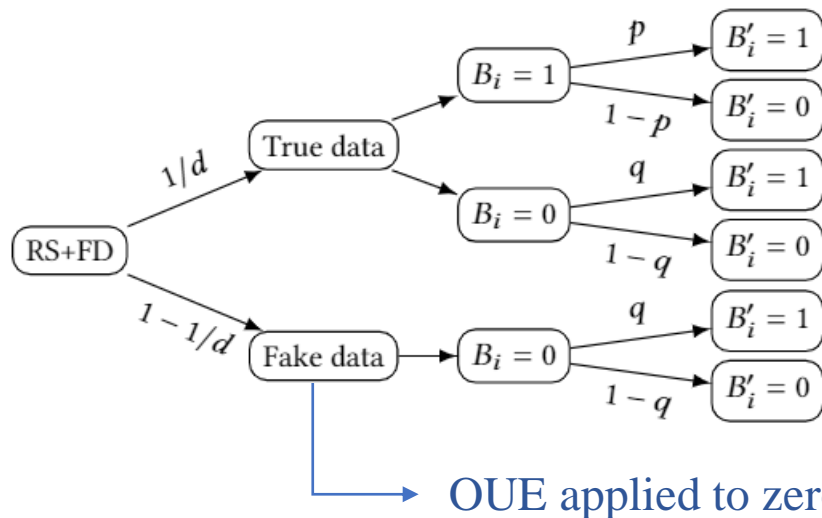
Aggregator → For each attribute $j \in [1, d]$, estimate:

$$\hat{f}(v_i) = \frac{N_i d k_j - n(d - 1 + q k_j)}{n k_j (p - q)}$$

Unbiased estimation and variance development in the manuscript



Client-Side of RS+FD[OUE-z]:



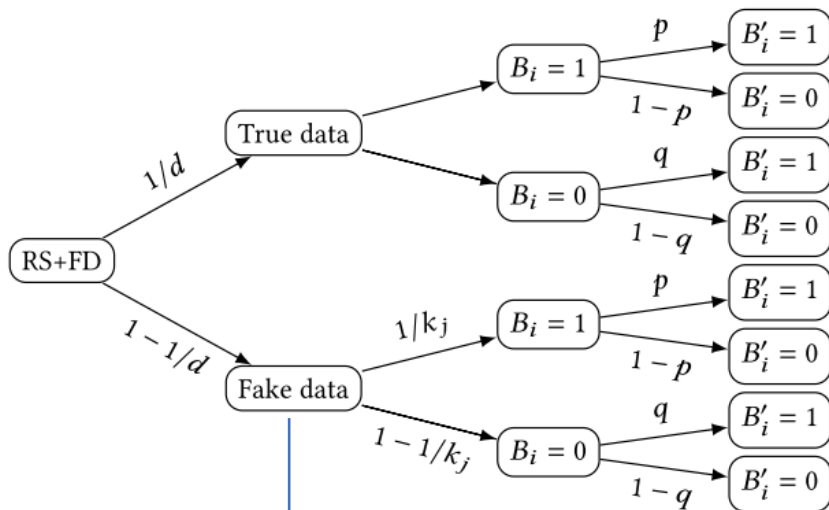
Aggregator \rightarrow For each attribute $j \in [1, d]$, estimate:

$$\hat{f}(v_i) = \frac{d(N_i - nq)}{n(p - q)}$$

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Client-Side of RS+FD[OUE-r]:



OUE applied to random unary-encoded vectors

Aggregator → For each attribute $j \in [1, d]$, estimate:

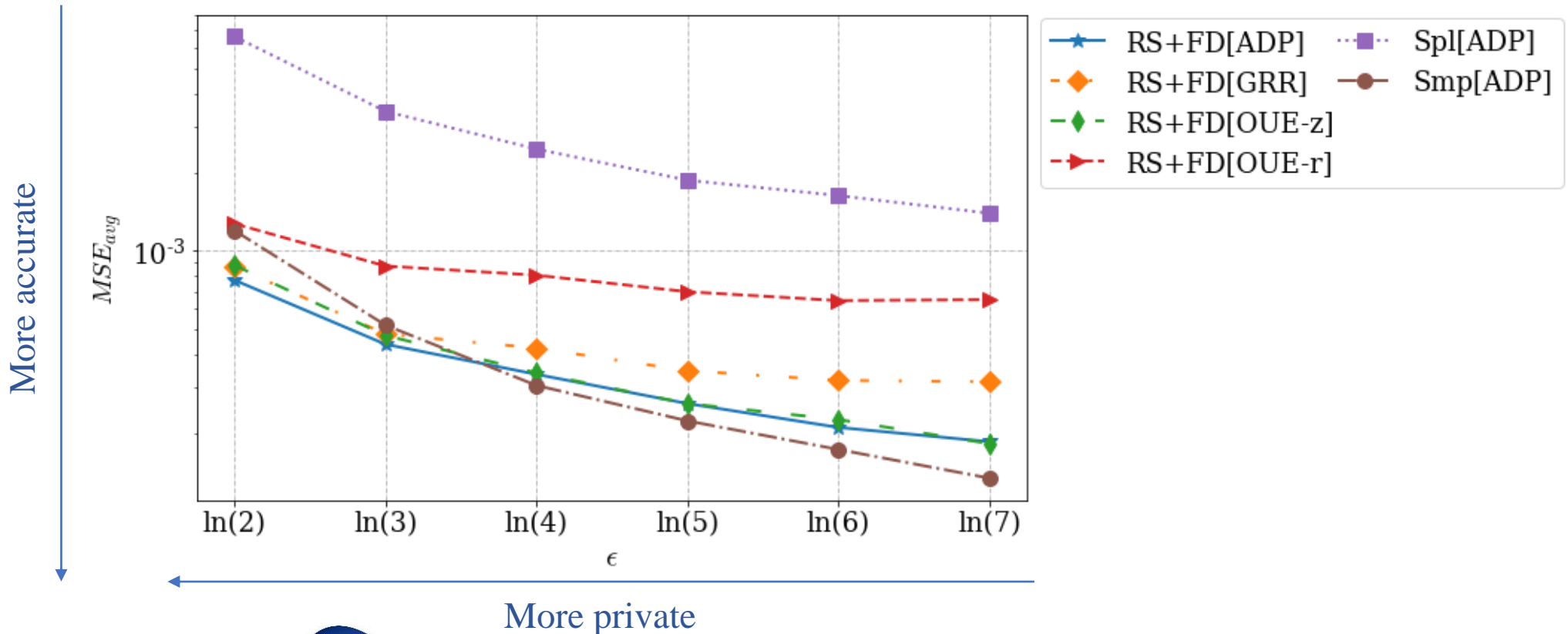
$$\hat{f}(v_i) = \frac{N_i dk_j - n[qk_j + (p - q)(d - 1) + qk_j(d - 1)]}{nk_j(p - q)}$$

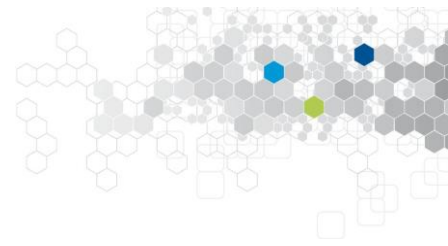
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- Dataset:
 - Census-Income*: $n = 299285$, $d = 33$, $\mathbf{k} = [9,52,47,17, \dots, 3,3,2]$
- Evaluation: $\epsilon = [\ln(2), \ln(3), \dots, \ln(7)]$.
- Methods:
 - Spl: ADP (i.e., either GRR or OUE);
 - Smp: ADP;
 - **RS+FD: GRR, OUE-z, OUE-r, and ADP** (i.e., either GRR or OUE-z).
- Metric: Averaged MSE,

$$\text{MSE}_{avg} = \frac{1}{d} \sum_{j \in [1,d]} \frac{1}{|A_j|} \sum_{v_i \in A_j} (f(v_i) - \hat{f}(v_i))^2.$$

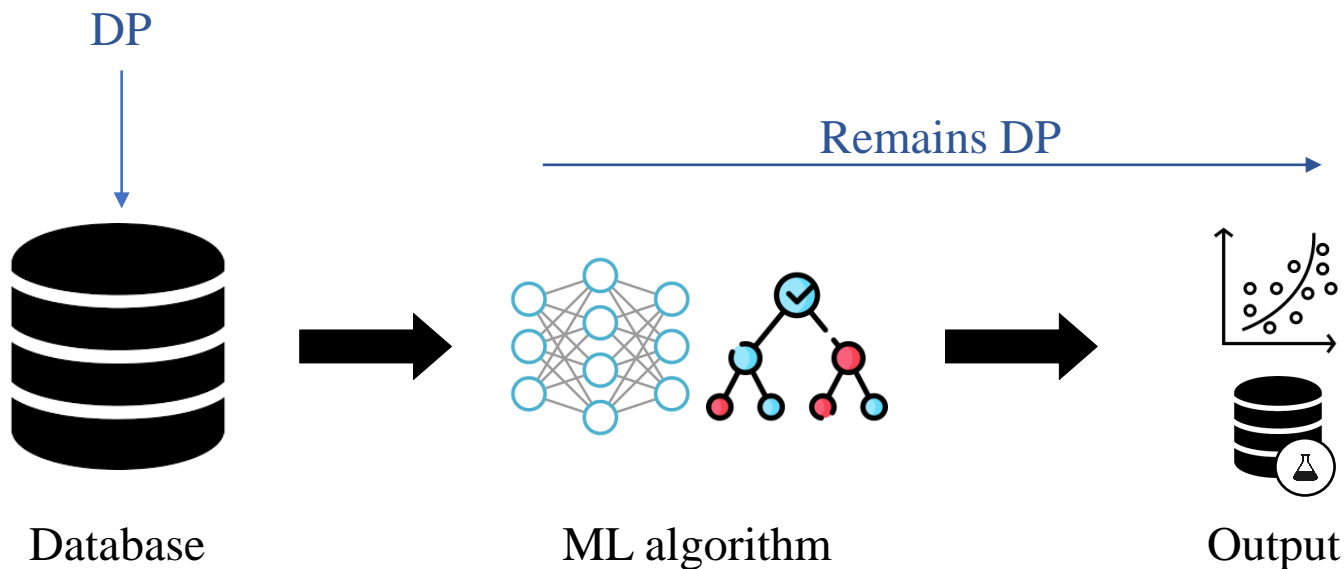




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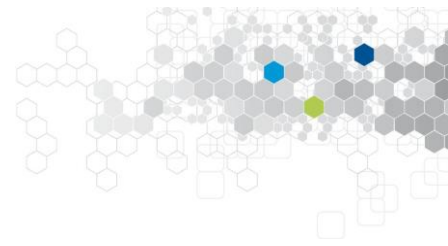
Problem Statement: Machine Learning

- **Tackled Issue:** Evaluation of the privacy-utility trade-off of training machine learning algorithms over differentially private data.
- **Motivation:** ML models are also susceptible to privacy attacks^{*,**}.



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YEAR	WEEK	CITY	REASON	NB_OPE
2018	10	AUVERS-SAINT-GEORGES	AID_TO_PEOPLE	4
2018	34	BROUY	AID_TO_PEOPLE	1
2018	35	BOUTIGNY-SUR-ESSONNE	AID_TO_PEOPLE	3
2018	32	ITTEVILLE	AID_TO_PEOPLE	1
2018	5	GUILLEVAL	AID_TO_PEOPLE	1

YEAR_MONTH	ZIP_CODE	CITY	AID_TO_PEOPLE
2008-4	71232	HAUTEFOND	1.0
2013-6	71450	ST MARTIN DE COMMUNE	0.0
2010-10	71469	ST PIERRE LE VIEUX	1.0
2009-5	71520	SEVREY	1.0
2013-7	71016	AZE	3.0

Brouy

Commune in France

Brouy is a commune in the Essonne department in Île-de-France in northern France. Inhabitants of Brouy are known as Brogaçois.

[Wikipedia](#)

Area: 8.39 km²

Population: 144 (2015) INSEE

Generic Time ?
Generic Location ?
Generic Reason/Type

Hautefond

Commune in France

Hautefond is a commune in the Saône-et-Loire department in the region of Bourgogne-Franche-Comté in eastern France. [Wikipedia](#)

Area: 13.62 km²

Weather: 13°C, Wind S at 8 km/h, 72% Humidity [weather.com](#)

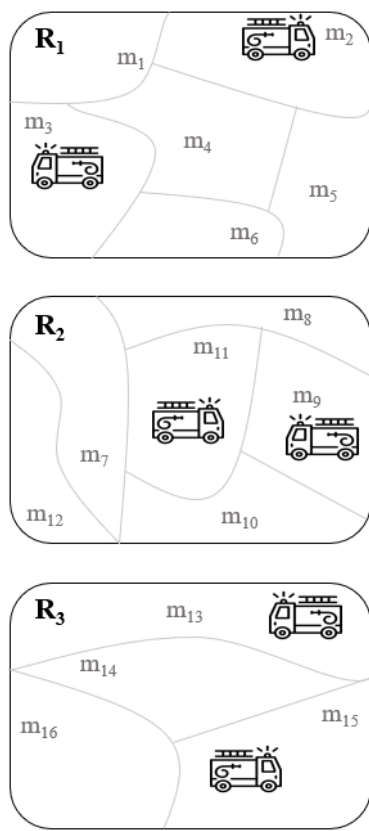
Population: 213 (2015) INSEE

Target: Multivariate Operational Demand Forecast

Our Solution: Generalization + DP



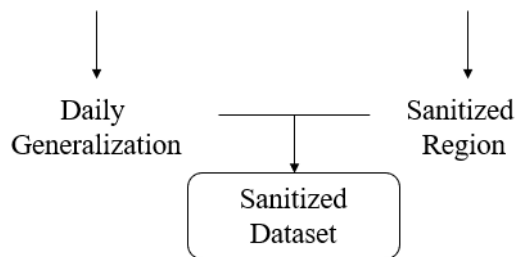
Agglomeration of small cities to larger regions

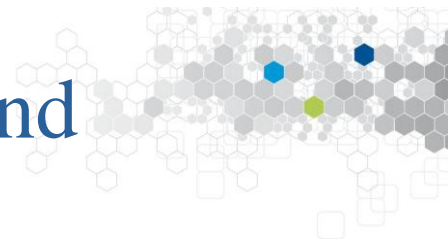


Interv. ID	SDate (YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS)	Region	Sanitization	
			→	€-LDP
ID_1	2006-01-01 00:05:23	R ₁		[0, 1, 0]
ID_2	2006-01-01 00:15:55	R ₁		[1, 0, 1]
ID_3	2006-01-01 01:24:12	R ₂		[1, 1, 0]
...
...
ID_n-2	2018-12-31 23:30:25	R ₂		[1, 1, 1]
ID_n-1	2018-12-31 23:45:23	R ₃		[0, 1, 1]
ID_n	2018-12-31 23:59:30	R ₃		[0, 0, 0]

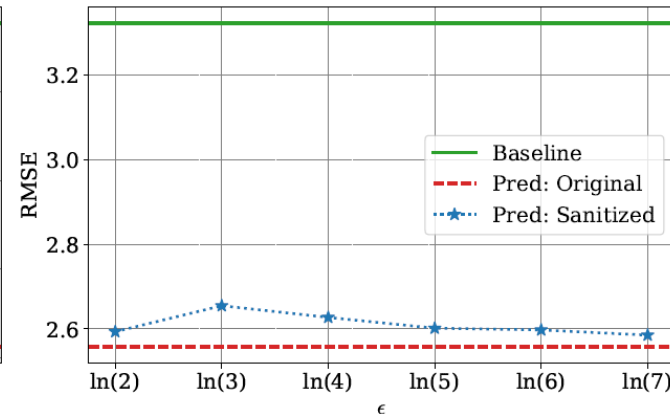
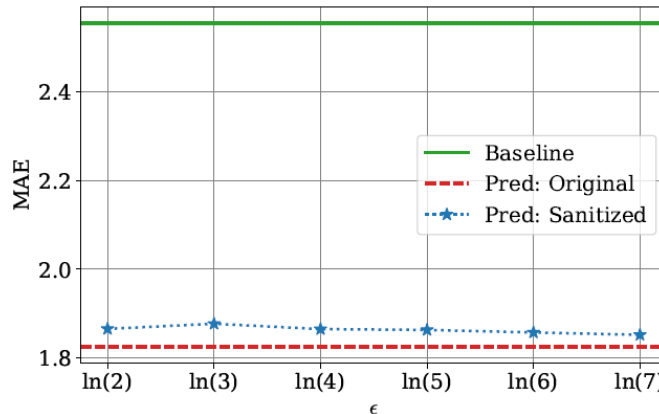
→ GRR, SUE, OUE, ...

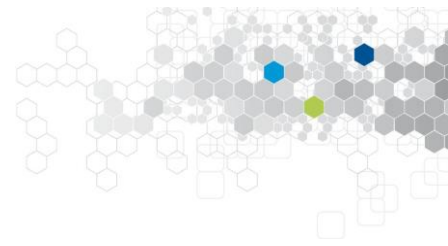
The data analyst can aggregate by any period s/he wishes (e.g., 1-day, 3-days, 1-week, 1-month, ...)





- **Target:** Number of operations *per day* and *per region*.
- **Metrics:** Mean Absolute Error (MAE) and Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE);
- **ML technique:** eXtreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost).
- **Methods:** Baseline (average per day of the week), XGBoost trained over original and *sanitized data*.





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Date/Time	Incident #	Level	Units	Location	Type
12/23/2021 4:28:37 AM	F210141750 1	M17		3900 7th Ave Ne	Medic Response
12/23/2021 4:27:22 AM	F210141748 1	A5		607 3rd Ave	Aid Response
12/23/2021 4:28:37 AM	F210141750 1	E17		3900 7th Ave Ne	Medic Response
12/23/2021 4:10:09 AM	F210141747 1	E31		2140 N Northgate Way	Aid Response
12/23/2021 3:50:06 AM	F210141743 1	M28		6900 37th Ave S	Medic Response



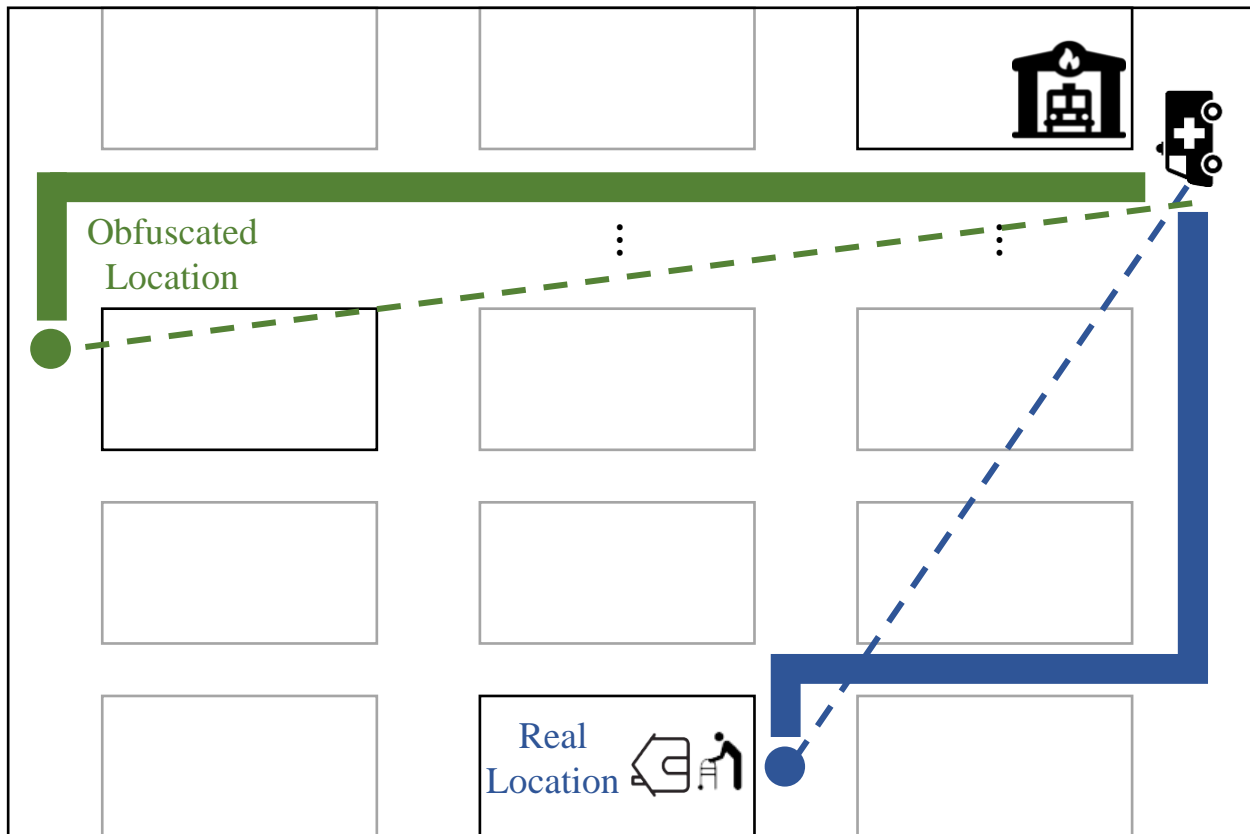
Precise Time
Precise Location
Generic Reason/Type

With both locations: Fire brigade and intervention
Target: Predict ambulance response time (ART)



Time measured from the call until an ambulance arrives at the emergency scene.

Need a Precise Location to Predict ART?

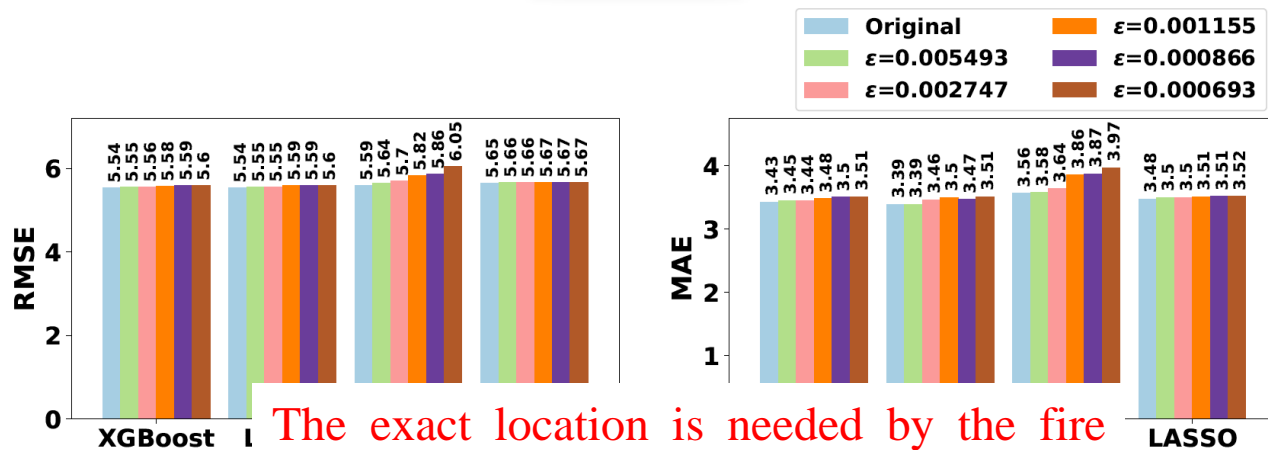


Obfuscation of emergency location data (i.e., latitude & longitude) using Planar Laplace Mechanism*;

Additional perturbation:

- Estimated travel time;
- Estimated travel distance;
- Euclidean distance;
- Neighborhood, city, zone;
- ...

Dataset: Departure's history of SDIS 25 ambulances



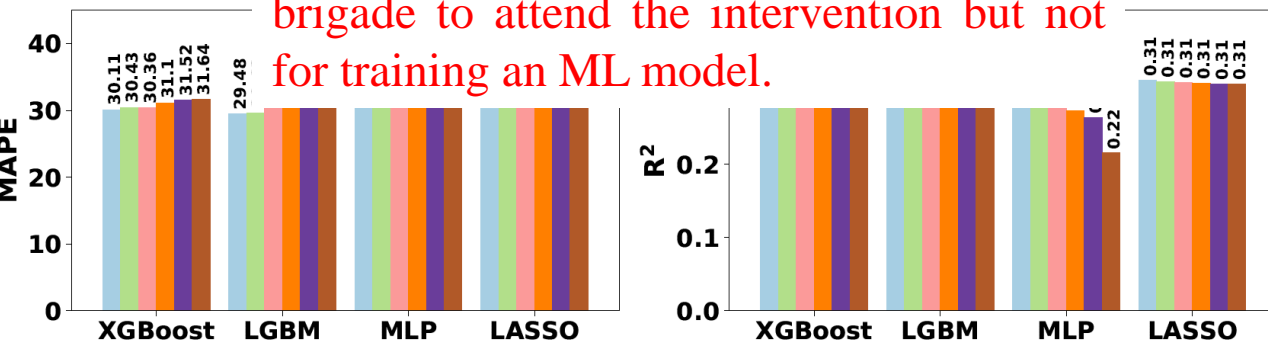
The exact location is needed by the fire brigade to attend the intervention but not for training an ML model.

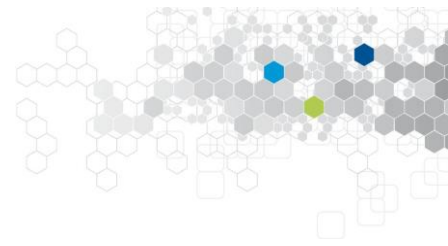
Metrics:

- Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE)
- Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
- Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE)
- Coefficient of determination (R^2)

ML Techniques:

- eXtreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost)
- Light Gradient Boosted Machine (LGBM)
- Multilayer Perceptron (MLP)
- Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (LASSO)





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Providing Synthetic Data for Mobility

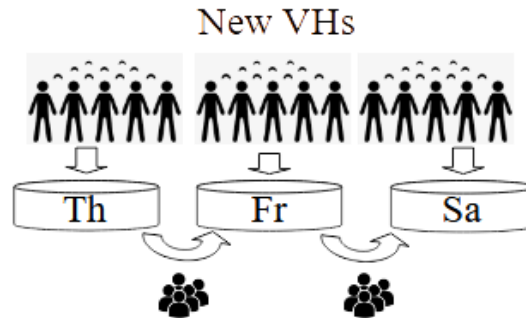
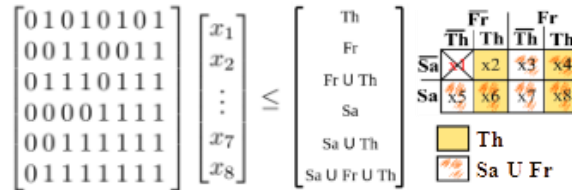
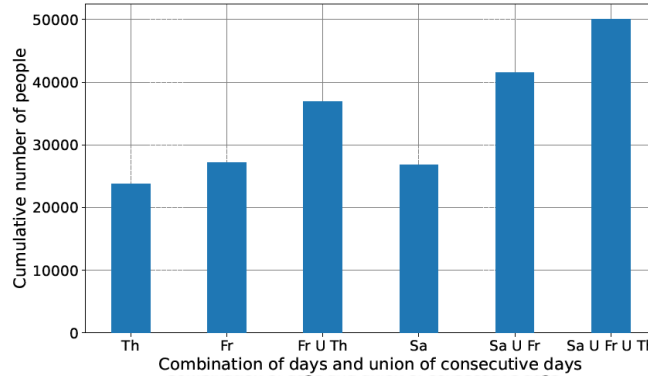


Input Flux Vision® data

Solve mobility scenario expressed as Linear Program

Get frequency per day by: age ranges, gender, socio-professional categories, ...

Generate virtual humans (VH) for each day



Multiple Attributes:
Gender, Age-ranges,
Sleeping Area, ...

Solves for Nb days:
 $2^{Nb} - 1$ combinations
of day intersections.



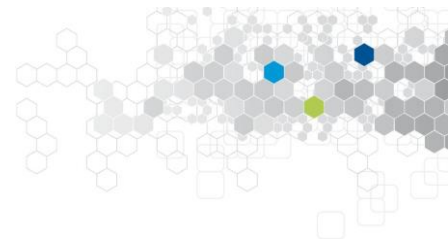
MS-FIMU → Longitudinal and Multidimensional Dataset of Categorical Attributes:

- $d = 7$ attributes; $n = 88,935$ unique users; $Nb = 7$ days;
- Averaged Mean Relative Error $\approx 8\%$

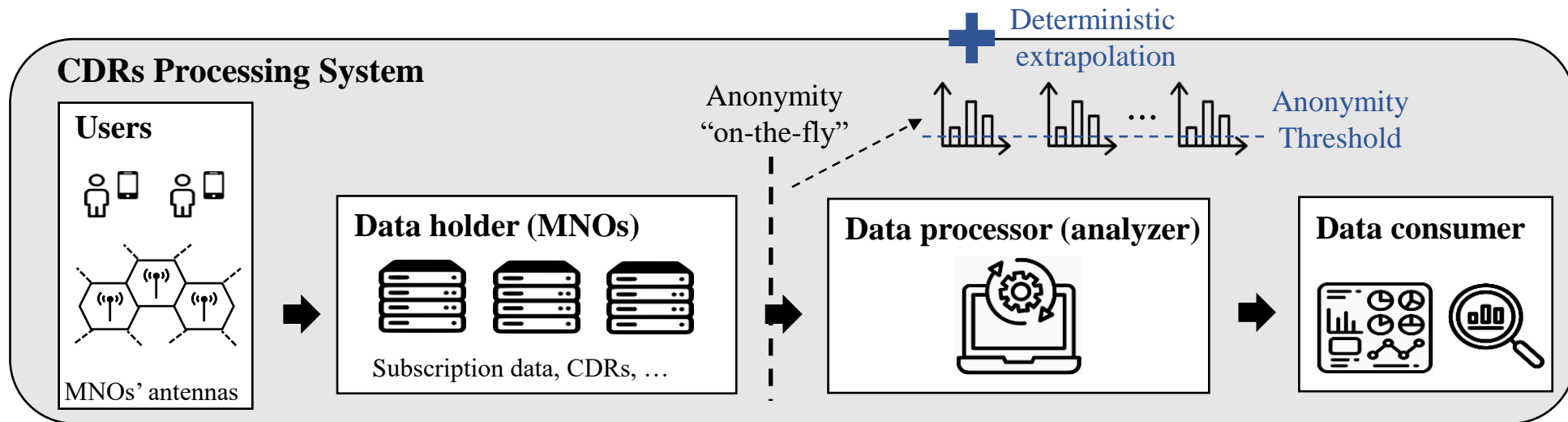
Person ID	Name	Gender	Age	...	Visitor category	Region
91	Adrien Clement	M	45-54	...	French tourist	Alsace
32947	Grégoire Didier	M	25-34	...	French tourist	Franche-Comté
53990	Marie Le Lemaitre	F	25-34	...	Resident	Franche-Comté
58664	Michelle-Céline Marion	F	25-34	...	Resident	Franche-Comté

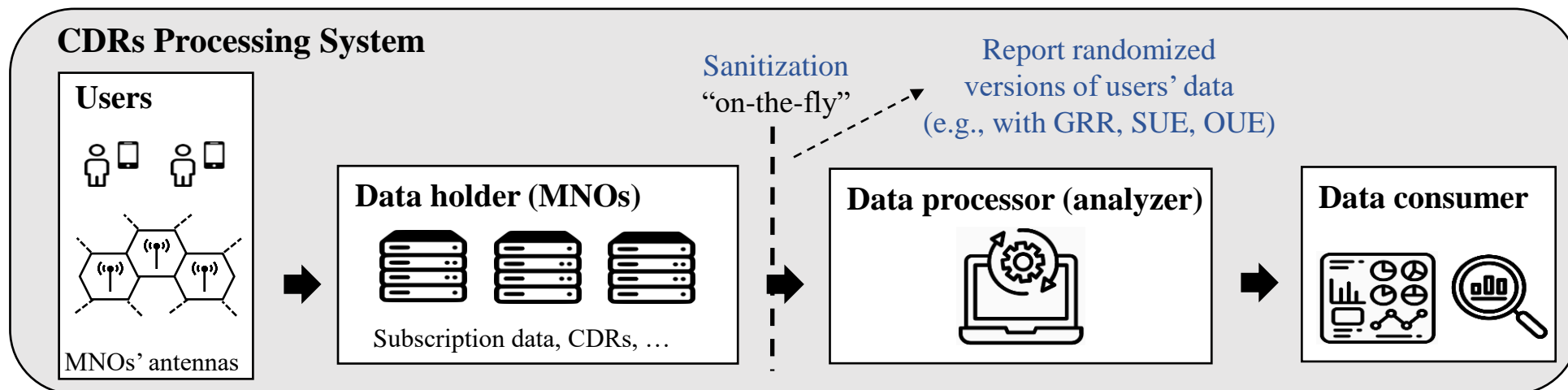
Date ID	Date
1	2017-05-31
2	2017-06-01
...	...
7	2017-06-06

Index	Person ID	Date ID	Visit Duration
1	5385	2	6h
2	234	5	4h

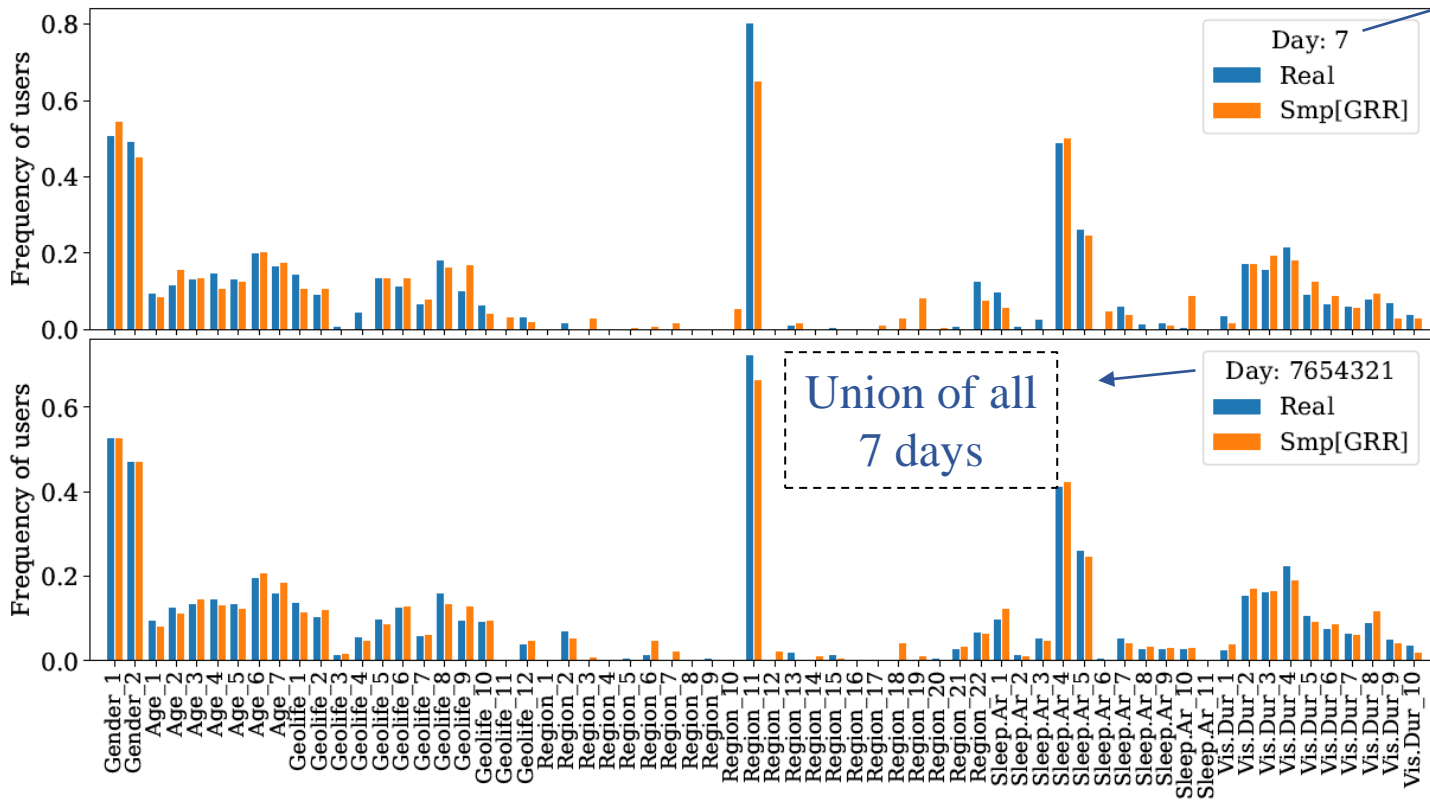


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- Advantage: This scenario considers a *strong adversary* and *strong restrictions* for MNOs.
- Issue: The use of local randomizers can lead to great *loss of utility*.



A single day

Dataset:

- MS-FIMU

Method:

- Smp[GRR];

Privacy budget:

- $\epsilon = 1$



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General Conclusion:

- We published an open dataset MS-FIMU of categorical attributes based on real-world mobility analytics (longitudinal and multidimensional);
- We proposed a CDRs processing system with DP guarantees at the user level for human mobility analytics;
- We optimized the utility of LDP protocols (i.e., L-GRR and L-OSUE) for longitudinal frequency estimates through memoization with theoretical proofs;
- We improved utility and privacy in multiple frequency estimates under LDP through generic frameworks (i.e., ALLOMFREE and RS+FD);
- We empirically evaluated the privacy-utility trade-off of differentially private machine learning models on real-world datasets/tasks.



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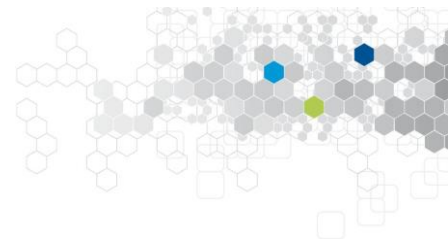
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Perspectives:

- Improve RS+FD with realistic fake data;
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 - Design more enhanced post-processing methods (e.g., Expectation-Maximization algorithm) for ALLOMFREE and RS+FD;
 - Cast other LDP protocols into RS+FD, including longitudinal ones;
 - Evaluate performance VS privacy protection of ALLOMFREE and RS+FD on generating synthetic data for ML classification/regression tasks;
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 - Attack RS+FD, i.e., try to correctly guess the sampled attribute of each user;
 - Evaluate the privacy-utility trade-off of differentially private ML models against attacks (e.g., membership inference attacks).
- Build a python library for multiple frequency estimates under LDP.



Thank you for your attention!

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