Definition 1. The sample mean of database X of size n is

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$$

Theorem 1. Say database X has size n and is bounded above by M and bounded below by m. Using the distance where two databases differ by the edit of one record, \bar{X} has sensitivity bounded above by

 $\frac{M-m}{n}$.

Proof. Say X and X' are neighboring databases which differ at data-point x_j . Then

$$\Delta \bar{X} = \max_{X,X'} \left| \bar{X} - \bar{X}' \right|$$

$$= \max_{X,X'} \frac{1}{n} \left| \left(\sum_{\{i \in [n] | i \neq j\}} x_i \right) + x_j - \left(\sum_{\{i \in [n] | i \neq j\}} x_i' \right) + x_j' \right|$$

$$= \max_{X,X'} \frac{1}{n} \left| x_j - x_j' \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{M - m}{n}.$$

Theorem 2. Say database X has size n and is bounded above by M and bounded below by m. Using the distance where two databases differ by the addition or removal of one record, \bar{X} has sensitivity bounded above by

 $\frac{M-m}{n-1}.$

Proof. Say X and X' are neighboring databases where $X' = X \cup \{y\}$.

$$\begin{split} \Delta \bar{X} &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \bar{X} - \bar{X}' \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i + y \right) \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \right) - \frac{y}{n+1} \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \frac{1}{(n+1)n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \frac{y}{n+1} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} \max_{X,X'} \left| \frac{1}{n=1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - y \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} \max_{X,X'} \left| \bar{X} - y \right| \\ &\leq \frac{M-m}{n+1}. \end{split}$$

Say X and X' are neighboring databases where $y \in X$ and $X' = X \setminus \{y\}$.

$$\begin{split} \Delta \bar{X} &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \bar{X} - \bar{X}' \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \frac{1}{n-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - y \right) \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \right) + \frac{y}{n-1} \right| \\ &= \max_{X,X'} \left| \frac{-1}{(n-1)n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i + \frac{y}{n-1} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \max_{X,X'} \left| y - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \max_{X,X'} \left| y - \bar{X} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{M-m}{n-1}. \end{split}$$

Say X and X' are neighboring databases that differ by the addition or removal of one

record.

$$\Delta \bar{X} \le \max\left(\frac{M-m}{n-1}, \frac{M-m}{n+1}\right)$$
$$= \frac{M-m}{n-1}$$