K-Randomization

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0.1 Maximum and Local differential privacy

Assuming local privacy ratio reaches maximum when D consists of (N-1) zeros and a single 1 bit, and the set original bit is switched to 0 to obtain D_m - modified collection of all zeros. Suppose S is the number of sets bits observed in the synthetic output. Then we can express privacy ratio for every value of S.

$$P(s=i|D_m) = \binom{N}{i} q^i p^{N-i} \tag{0.1}$$

$$P(s=i|D) = \binom{N-1}{i} q^{i+1} p^{N-1-i} + \binom{N-1}{i-1} q^{i-1} p^{N-i+1}$$
(0.2)

$$R_{i} = \frac{P(s=i|D_{m})}{P(s=i|D)} = \frac{\binom{N}{i}q^{i}p^{N-i}}{\binom{N-1}{i}q^{i+1}p^{N-1-i} + \binom{N-1}{i-1}q^{i-1}p^{N-i+1}}$$
(0.3)

It's actually more convenient to work with $\frac{1}{R_i}$ as in:

$$\frac{1}{R_i} = \frac{P(s=i|D)}{P(s=i|D_m)} = \frac{N-i}{N} \frac{q}{p} + \frac{i}{N} \frac{p}{q}$$
(0.4)

When all i = 0 - all synthetic bits are 0, the ratio reaches its maximum:

$$R_0 = \frac{1}{1/R_i} = \frac{p}{q}$$

When i = N - the synthetic output consists of set bits entirely, the privacy ratio reaches minimum:

$$R_N = \frac{1}{1/R_i} = \frac{q}{p}$$

The ratio reduces as i increases, and becomes 1 when number of synthetic bits is equal to expected number of set synthetic bits after randomization:

$$\frac{1}{R_{qN}} = \frac{N - qN}{N} \frac{q}{p} + \frac{pN}{N} \frac{q}{p} = (1 - q) \frac{q}{p} + q \frac{p}{q} = p + q = 1$$

The notion of a **local differential privacy**, considers the probabilistic ratio only for values of i that have realistic chance of being observed. The expected number of observed synthetic bits is qN, while the deviation of S random variable is $\sigma = \sqrt{pqN}$. Consider the interval $[qN - 3\sigma, qN + 3\sigma]$. Since the probabilistic ratio grows as i decreased, the maximum ratio will be attained when $i = qN - 3\sigma$. Hence, the local differential privacy reaches maximum at $i = qN - 3\sigma$, and we want to express analytically the relationship between the probabilistic privacy ratio λ , number of records N, and RRT parameters p and q:

$$i = qN - 3\sigma = qN - 3\sqrt{pqN} \tag{0.5}$$

$$R_i = \frac{P(s=i|D_m)}{P(s=i|D)} \le \lambda \tag{0.6}$$

$$\frac{1}{R_i} = \frac{P(s=i|D)}{P(s=i|D_m)} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.7}$$

$$\frac{N-i}{N}\frac{q}{p} + \frac{i}{N}\frac{p}{q} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.8}$$

$$\frac{N - qN + 3\sqrt{pqN}}{N} \cdot \frac{q}{p} + \frac{qN - 3\sqrt{pqN}}{N} \cdot \frac{p}{q} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.9}$$

From here:

$$p + q - 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{N}} \left(\frac{p}{q} - \frac{q}{p}\right) \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.10}$$

$$1 - 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{N}} \frac{p^2 - q^2}{pq} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.11}$$

$$3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{N}}\frac{p^2 - q^2}{pq} \le 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.12}$$

$$3\sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} \cdot \frac{p-q}{\sqrt{pq}} \le 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda} \tag{0.13}$$

$$\frac{pqN}{(p-q)^2} \ge \frac{9}{(1-\frac{1}{\lambda})^2} \tag{0.14}$$

This is an interesting result. Note that left side of inequality is the variance of estimate \bar{T} . The local differential privacy grantee simply places a lower bound on the variance of RRT estimates:

$$VAR(\bar{T}) = \frac{pqN}{(p-q)^2} \ge \frac{9}{(1-\frac{1}{\lambda})^2}$$
(0.15)

For a randomization algorithm applied independently to N bits to be ϵ -differentially private in local sense, means that estimate deviation is lower-bounded by:

$$\sigma(\bar{T}) \ge \frac{3}{1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}} = \frac{3}{1 - \frac{1}{e^{\epsilon}}}$$
 (0.16)

From here, we can express RRT noise parameter q through N and λ :

$$\frac{pqN}{(p-q)^2} \ge \frac{9}{(1-\frac{1}{\lambda})^2} \tag{0.17}$$

$$\frac{(1-q)q}{(1-2q)^2} \ge \frac{9}{(1-\frac{1}{\lambda})^2 N} \tag{0.18}$$

$$q \ge \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\frac{9}{(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 N}}} \right) \tag{0.19}$$

Suppose $\lambda = 2$ and there are 1000 single bits records in D. The required noise is:

$$q = 0.032527$$

Compare that to the level of noise that absolute differential privacy bound would require for $\epsilon = ln(2)$.

$$\frac{p}{q} \le 2 \tag{0.20}$$

$$q \ge \frac{1}{3} = 0.333\tag{0.21}$$

The notion of local privacy allowed us to reduce RRT noise 10 times and enabled drastic improvement in estimation accuracy. In the classical case, the estimation deviation is $\sigma = 44.7$, while for the local privacy the deviation is $\sigma = 5.6$, meaning that precision of RRT estimates had grown 8 fold. It's worth reflecting on what's exactly going on and why such a drastic performance increase is achievable.

Consider confidence intervals for both an original collection D and modified collection D_m . D_m contains 1000 empty bits and D contains 999 empty bits. Corresponding means and deviation for sum of observed synthetic bits in each case is given below:

$$E(S) = q \cdot 1000 \tag{0.22}$$

$$\sigma(S) = \sqrt{pq \cdot 1000} \tag{0.23}$$

$$E(S_m) = q \cdot 1000 + p \tag{0.24}$$

$$\sigma(S_m) = \sqrt{pq \cdot 999 + pq} \tag{0.25}$$

Consider the confidence intervals for both S and S_m for RRT under classical and local differential privacy constrains. If q = 0.333 the confidence interval for S and S_m are:

$$S - > [198.9, 467.1] \tag{0.26}$$

$$S_m - > [198.6, 467.8] \tag{0.27}$$

Under local differential privacy, the noise level q = 0.0.033, and the confidence intervals become:

$$S - > [16.05, 49.94] \tag{0.28}$$

$$S_m - > [17.02, 50.91] \tag{0.29}$$

The intervals are nearly identical in either case. Which illustrates the point - we do not need the full power of the absolute differential privacy bound: the local privacy bound will guarantee privacy ratio for 99.98% of possible synthetic outcomes. Effectively, we exploit the noise of large collection to reduce the RRT noise required to randomize each individual record. Rephrasing this important idiom - hiding a record among other records needs less noise than obfuscating a single record.

1 K-randomization for a single bit case

We know consider an important technique for further increasing the estimation precision while providing same local privacy guarantees. Recall from previous example, that if collection D consists of N=1000 records, the corresponding RRT noise at $\lambda=2$ is q=0.0325. The deviation of the estimate in this case is $\sigma=6$. Hence our estimation error will be roughly 18 in either direction. We can increase the estimate precision by repeating randomization k times, hence the name **k-ranomization**.

It will be shown that repeating randomization k times achieves increase in precision proportional to \sqrt{k} , it also causes slight increase in RRT noise necessary to maintain same differential privacy guarantee. However, the RRT noise increase is usually insignificant compared to the precision gain, which gives a nice dimension to the usual privacy vs. precision tradeoff. K-randomization enables precision increase at the same privacy level for the expense of increasing synthetic record volume k times. Instead of trading privacy for precision, k-randomization allows to trade infrastructure cost for precision while keeping privacy the same. This is especially apparent for long multivariate records, but we will lay mathematical grounds starting from a single bit case.

1.1 Estimating number of single bits under k-randomization

Suppose there are T set bits in the original collection of N single bit records. Each record is randomized k-times. The number of observed synthetic bits S is a random variable expressed as:

$$S = p \cdot kT + q \cdot (kN - kT)$$

The estimate for T, computed from observed value of S is:

$$\bar{T} = \frac{S - qkN}{k(p - q)} \tag{1.1}$$

The aggregator simply divides the estimate computed from kN records by k. The expectation, variance and deviation of \bar{T} random variable are given by:

$$E(\bar{T}) = T \tag{1.2}$$

$$VAR(\bar{T}) = \frac{qpkN}{k^2 \cdot (p-q)^2} = \frac{qpN}{k \cdot (p-q)^2}$$
 (1.3)

$$\sigma(\bar{T}) = \sqrt{\frac{qpN}{k \cdot (p-q)^2}} \tag{1.4}$$

Note that deviation of the estimate is reduced by \sqrt{k} compared to a single randomization case.

1.2 Choice of D

WE NEED PROOF FOR MAXIMALITY UNDER K

1.3 Local differential privacy under k-randomization

Consider probabilities of seeing s set bits in the synthetic output for D_m and D respectively:

Since D_m consists of N empty bits, the probability of see s synthetic bits after randomization is binomial

$$P(S=s|D_m) = \binom{kN}{s} q^s p^{kN-s} \tag{1.5}$$

While the original collection D has a single set bit, and the probability of finding s set synthetic bits is:

$$P(S = s|D) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} {k(N-1) \choose s-i} q^{s-i} p^{k(N-1)-s+i} \cdot {k \choose i} p^{i} q^{k-i}$$
 (1.6)

$$P(S = s | D_m) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} {k(N-1) \choose s-i} {k \choose i} q^{s+k-2i} p^{kN-s-(k-2i)}$$
(1.7)

Expressing the quotient of privacy ratio at given s, we have:

$$\frac{1}{R_s} = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{\binom{k(N-1)}{s-i} \cdot \binom{k}{i}}{\binom{kN}{s}} \cdot \frac{q^{k-2i}}{p^{k-2i}}$$

$$\tag{1.8}$$

Consider the binomial ratio in the sum:

$$\frac{\binom{k(N-1)}{s-i}}{\binom{kN}{s}} = \frac{(kN-k)!}{(kN)!} \cdot \frac{s!}{(s-i)!} \cdot \frac{(kN-s)!}{(kN-s-(k-i))!} = \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{i-1}(S-j) \cdot \prod_{j=0}^{k-i-1}(kN-S-j)}{\prod_{j=0}^{k-1}(kN-j)}$$
(1.9)

For positive B, A and e such that A < B the following holds:

$$\frac{A-e}{B-e} < \frac{A}{B} \tag{1.10}$$

Hence the expression in 5.10 is upper bounded by:

$$\frac{\prod_{j=0}^{i-1}(s-j)\cdot\prod_{j=0}^{k-i-1}(kN-s-j)}{\prod_{j=0}^{k-1}(kN-j)} < \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{i-1}s\cdot\prod_{j=0}^{k-i-1}(kN-s)}{\prod_{j=0}^{k-1}kN} = \frac{s^i\cdot(kN-s)^{k-i}}{(kN)^k}$$
(1.11)

Dividing each numerator term by kN we arrive to an upper bound of the privacy ratio:

$$\frac{1}{R_s} < \sum_{i=0}^k \left(\frac{s}{kN}\right)^i \left(1 - \frac{s}{kN}\right)^{k-i} \cdot \binom{k}{i} \cdot \frac{q^{k-2i}}{p^{k-2i}} \tag{1.12}$$

Again, under local privacy constrains we compute privacy ratio for s located 3σ bellow the mean:

$$s = qkN - 3\sqrt{pqkN}$$

Replacing s in formula 5.13, we get:

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} \left(\frac{qkN - 3\sqrt{pqkN}}{kN} \right)^{i} \left(1 - \frac{qkN - 3\sqrt{pqkN}}{kN} \right)^{k-i} \cdot \binom{k}{i} \cdot \frac{q^{k-2i}}{p^{k-2i}} = \tag{1.13}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} \left(q - 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{kN}} \right)^i \left(1 - q + 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{kN}} \right)^{k-i} \cdot \binom{k}{i} \cdot \frac{q^{k-2i}}{p^{k-2i}} = \tag{1.14}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} \frac{p^{i}}{q^{i}} \left(q - 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{kN}} \right)^{i} \cdot \frac{q^{k-i}}{p^{k-i}} \left(p + 3\sqrt{\frac{pq}{kN}} \right)^{k-i} \cdot \binom{k}{i} = \tag{1.15}$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} {k \choose i} \left(p - 3p\sqrt{\frac{p}{qkN}} \right)^{i} \cdot \left(q + 3q\sqrt{\frac{q}{pkN}} \right)^{k-i} = \tag{1.16}$$

$$\left(q + 3q\sqrt{\frac{q}{pkN}} + p - 3p\sqrt{\frac{p}{qkN}}\right)^k = \tag{1.17}$$

$$\left(q + p - 3p\sqrt{\frac{p}{qkN}} + 3q\sqrt{\frac{q}{pkN}}\right)^k = \tag{1.18}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{3(p-q)}{\sqrt{qpkN}}\right)^k \tag{1.19}$$

Should the differential privacy ratio limit be λ we have the lower bound below:

$$\left(1 + \frac{3(p-q)}{\sqrt{qpkN}}\right)^k > \frac{1}{R_s} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda}$$
(1.20)

From here we have:

$$\left(1 + \frac{3(p-q)}{\sqrt{qpkN}}\right)^k \ge \frac{1}{\lambda}
\tag{1.21}$$

$$\frac{qpkN}{(p-q)^2} \ge \frac{9}{(1-\frac{1}{k\sqrt{\lambda}})^2} \tag{1.22}$$

From here we express required RRT noise through λ , N and k.

$$q \ge \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 4\frac{9}{(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt[k]{\lambda}})^2 kN}}} \right) \tag{1.23}$$

Using exact same example as before: N=1000 records and $\lambda=2$. Suppose the randomization is repeated 16 times, the corresponding RRT noise q=0.1668. The noise increased to make the privacy stay at the same level, however the precision of the measurement actually decreased, because of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$ factor. The corresponding sigma is:

$$\sigma(\bar{T}) = \sqrt{\frac{qpN}{k \cdot (p-q)^2}} = 4.42 \tag{1.24}$$

So we gain 25% precision increase by repeating randomization 16 times. The k-randomization gain main not be very significant for a single bit reporting, but becomes very useful for high-dimentionality vectors, where privacy level are increased due to longer bits vectors reported.

2 multivariate vectors

2.1 Differential privacy ratio

2.1.1 Sufficient Statistics proof

The original collection D consists of N-1 zero vectors vectors and one unit vector of length L. Denote a zero vector as 0 and a unit vector as 1. The unit-vector 1 is modified into a zero-vector 0, hence the modified collection D_m consists of only 0 vectors. There are 2^L possible distinct synthetic vectors. Denote v_i a distinct synthetic vector. Denote a observed synthetic configuration S as $s_1, s_2, \ldots, s_{2^L}$, whereby s_i represents a count of original vectors that mapped into specific synthetic vector v_i after randomization. Denote D' as a collection of (N-1) zero vectors. Then the probability of generating S from collection D' and a single vector y is given by:

$$P(S|D'+y) = P(s_1 - 1, s_2, \dots, s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_1|y) + \dots + P(s_1, s_2 - 1, \dots, s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_{2^L}|y)$$
(2.1)

Re-writing the ratio

$$\frac{P(S|D'+0)}{P(S|D'+1)} = \frac{P(s_1-1,s_2,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_1|0) + \cdots + P(s_1,s_2-1,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_{2^L}|0)}{P(s_1-1,s_2,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_1|1) + \cdots + P(s_1,s_2-1,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D') \cdot P(v_{2^L}|1)}$$

$$\frac{P(S|D'+0)}{P(S|D'+1)} = \frac{P(v_1|0) + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} \frac{P(s_1,s_2,\ldots,s_i-1,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D')}{P(s_1-1,s_2,\ldots,s_i-1,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D')} p(v_i|0)}{P(v_1|1) + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} \frac{P(s_1,s_2,\ldots,s_i-1,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D')}{P(s_1-1,s_2,\ldots,s_{2^L}|D')} p(v_i|1)}$$
(2.3)

Note that distribution of randomized vectors generated by D' is multinomial, since the probability of generating a particular v_i from a zero vector remains constant over all N trials.

$$\frac{P(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_i - 1, \dots, s_{2^L} | D')}{P(s_1 - 1, s_2, \dots, s_i, \dots, s_{2^L} | D')} = \frac{\frac{(2^L)!}{s_1! \cdot s_2! \dots (s_i - 1)! \dots} p(v_1 | 0)^{s_1} \dots p(v_i | 0)^{s_i - 1} \dots}{\frac{(2^L)!}{(s_1 - 1)! \cdot s_2! \dots s_i! \dots} p(v_1 | 0)^{s_1 - 1} \dots p(v_i | 0)^{s_i} \dots} =$$
(2.4)

$$\frac{(s_1 - 1)!s_i!}{s_1!(s_i - 1)!} \cdot \frac{p(v_1|0)^{s_1}p(v_i|0)^{s_i - 1}}{p(v_1|0)^{s_1 - 1}p(v_i|0)^{s_i}} = \frac{s_i}{s_1} \cdot \frac{p(v_1|0)}{p(v_i|0)} = \frac{s_i}{s_1} \cdot \frac{p^L}{p(v_i|0)}$$
(2.5)

Using that result in the ratio expression we have:

$$\frac{P(S|D'+0)}{P(S|D'+1)} = \frac{p^L + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} \frac{s_i}{s_1} \cdot \frac{p^L}{p(v_i|0)} p(v_i|0)}{q^L + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} \frac{s_i}{s_1} \cdot \frac{p^L}{p(v_i|0)} p(v_i|1)} = \frac{s_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|0)}{p(v_i|0)}}{s_1 \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^L + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)}} = (2.6)$$

$$\frac{s_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} s_i}{s_1 \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^L + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)}} = \frac{N}{s_1 \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^L + \sum_{i=2}^{2^L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)}} = \frac{N}{\cdot \sum_{i=1}^{2^L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)}}$$
(2.7)

Note that if v_i and v_j have same number of set bits, the ratio inside the sum is the same:

if v_i has same number of set bits as v_j , and this number is l, then (2.8)

$$\frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)} = \frac{p(v_j|1)}{p(v_i|0)} = \frac{p^l q^{L-l}}{p^{L-l} q^l} = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l}$$
(2.9)

This allows us to express privacy ratio as function of synthetic output S through counts of synthetic vectors that have same number of set bits l:

$$R(S) = \frac{P(S|D'+0)}{P(S|D'+1)} = \frac{N}{\sum_{i=1}^{2L} s_i \cdot \frac{p(v_i|1)}{p(v_i|0)}} = \frac{N}{\sum_{l=0}^{L} s_l \cdot \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l}}$$
(2.10)

$$\frac{1}{R(S)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{L} s_l \cdot \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l}$$
 (2.11)

Hence, an observer does not gain any more privacy insight by looking at individual vectors than by looking at aggregated counts in a histogram buckets each collecting synthetic vectors with same bit count.

2.1.2 Local differential privacy

As mentioned above, we can equivalently represent collection S by set-bits-histogram counts. For vectors of length L, there are L+1 histogram buckets raging from l=0 to l=L. Let's consider the privacy ratio when the synthetic collection is in the expected state S_e and assume bucket l is sufficiently filled, that is $s_0 \ge 1$. We should represent state S as:

$$S = [s_0, s_1, \dots, s_L]$$

For the expected synthetic state S_e we choose the state generated from modified collection D_m consisting of N zero vectors. The distribution S is a some of N independent random vectors of size L consisting of probabilities of finding 1 in a bucket l:

Note that probability of generating a synthetic vector containing l set bits from either unit or zero original is given by:

$$p(l|1) = {L \choose l} p^l q^{L-l} \tag{2.12}$$

$$p(l|0) = \binom{L}{l} q^l p^{L-l} \tag{2.13}$$

We now consider $\frac{1}{R(S)}$ to be a random variable X of its own.

$$X = \frac{1}{R(S)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=0}^{L} s_l \cdot \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l}$$

Note that bucket counts s_l assume multinomial distribution with bucket probabilities:

$$p(l|0) = \binom{L}{l} q^l p^{L-l}$$

Each count is multiplied by a constant factor $\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l}$, hence X is the sum of L correlated variables X_l , where:

$$X_{l} = \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} Binomial(p(l|0), N)$$
(2.14)

The expected values of X is given below:

$$E(X) = \sum_{l=0}^{L} N \cdot p(l|0) \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} = \sum_{l=0}^{L} N \cdot \binom{L}{l} q^{l} p^{L-l} \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} = N \sum_{l=0}^{L} \binom{L}{l} \cdot q^{L-l} p^{l} = N(p+q)^{L} = N$$
(2.15)

The variance of X is expressed through variance-covariance of multinomial distribution:

$$VAR(X) = \sum_{l=0}^{L} VAR(X_l) + 2\sum_{i \leq j} \sum_{< j \leq L} COV(X_i, X_j)$$

$$VAR(X) = \sum_{l=0}^{L} N \left[\left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} \right]^2 p(l|0) (1 - p(l|0)) - 2\sum_{j \neq j} Np(i|0) \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2i} p(j|0) \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2j} =$$

$$(2.17)$$

$$VAR(X) = N \left(\sum_{l=0}^{L} \left[\left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} \right]^2 p(l|0) - \sum_{l=0}^{L} \left[p(l|0) \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} \right]^2 - 2\sum_{j \neq j} p(i|0) \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2i} p(j|0) \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2j} \right)$$

$$(2.18)$$

Note that negative terms is an expansion of the square of the sum, hence:

$$VAR(X) = N\left(\sum_{l=0}^{L} \left[\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} \right]^{2} p(l|0) - \left[\sum_{l=0}^{L} p(l|0) \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} \right]^{2} \right)$$
(2.19)

$$VAR(X) = N\left(\sum_{l=0}^{L} \left[\left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} \right]^{2} p(l|0) - 1 \right)$$
 (2.20)

We now simplify the first term of the sum:

$$\sum_{l=0}^{L} \left[\left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} \right]^2 p(l|0) = \sum_{l=0}^{L} {L \choose l} q^l p^{L-l} \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} \cdot \left(\frac{q}{p} \right)^{L-2l} = \tag{2.21}$$

$$\sum_{l=0}^{L} {L \choose l} p^{l} q^{L-l} \cdot \left(\frac{q}{p}\right)^{L-2l} \tag{2.22}$$

$$\sum_{l=0}^{L} {L \choose l} \frac{q^{2L-3l}}{p^{L-3l}} = \sum_{l=0}^{L} {L \choose l} \frac{q^{3L-3l}p^{3l}}{(pq)^L} =$$
 (2.23)

$$\frac{1}{(pq)^L} \sum_{l=0}^{L} {L \choose l} (q^3)^{L-l} (p^3)^l = \left(\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq}\right)^L$$
 (2.24)

Hence the variance of X has the final form of

$$VAR(X) = N\left(\left(\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq}\right)^L - 1\right)$$
(2.25)

The local differential privacy requires that X should not be too far away from X_e . Which we express as a requirement that the X should not deviate more than certain number σ away from expected value. Hence the local privacy expression is given by:

$$\frac{1}{R(S)} = \frac{1}{N} (E(X) - 3\sqrt{VAR(X)}) \ge \frac{1}{\lambda}$$
 (2.26)

$$1 - \frac{3}{N} \sqrt{N \left(\left(\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq} \right)^L - 1 \right)} \ge \frac{1}{\lambda}$$
 (2.27)

$$\left(\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq}\right)^L - 1 \le (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 \frac{N}{9} \tag{2.28}$$

$$\left(\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq}\right)^L \le 1 + \left(1 - \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^2 \frac{N}{9} \tag{2.29}$$

$$\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq} \le \sqrt[L]{1 + (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 \frac{N}{9}}$$
 (2.30)

From here we express q:

$$\frac{p^3 + q^3}{pq} = \frac{1 - 3q + 3q^2}{q(1 - q)} \le \sqrt[L]{1 + (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 \frac{N}{9}}$$

$$q^2 - q + \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt[L]{1 + (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 \frac{N}{9}}} \le 0$$
(2.31)

$$q^{2} - q + \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt[L]{1 + (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^{2} \frac{N}{9}}} \le 0$$
 (2.32)

$$q \ge \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{3 + \sqrt[L]{1 + (1 - \frac{1}{\lambda})^2 \frac{N}{9}}}} \right)$$
 (2.33)