

Qrlew: automatic differential privacy for SQL queries

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Introduction

In recent years, the importance of safeguarding privacy when dealing with personal data has continuously increased. Traditional anonymization techniques have proven vulnerable to re-identification, as demonstrated by numerous works (Archie et al. 2018; Dwork et al. 2017; Narayanan and Shmatikov 2008; Sweeney, Abu, and Winn 2013). The total cost of data breaches has significantly increased (IBM

2023). And governments have introduced stricter data protection laws. Yet, collecting, sharing and exploiting data has the potential of creating immense value in many industries such as health care, finance, transportation or energy distribution.

To realize these benefits while managing privacy risks, researchers have turned to differential privacy (DP), which has become the gold standard in academia since its introduction by Dwork et al. in 2006 [28] due to its unique privacy guarantees.

Despite the availability of open-source tools, DP adoption remains limited, primarily among a few tech companies [6, 7, 24] and the US Census Bureau [58]. Our work aims to bridge this research gap by facilitating the integration of DP into organizational workflows and achieving broader adoption. While Dwork et al. [27] partially addressed this gap by interviewing DP experts, our study complements this by focusing on non-experts. We conducted interviews with 24 practitioners, including 19 analysts and 5 data stewards, from nine major companies that have not yet implemented DP. In summary, our main contributions are as follows:

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Input: Your algorithm's input

Parameter: Optional list of parameters

Output: Your algorithm's output

```

1: Let  $t = 0$ .
2: while condition do
3:   Do some action.
4:   if conditional then
5:     Perform task A.
6:   else
7:     Perform task B.
8:   end if
9: end while
10: return solution

```

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Listing 1: Example listing quicksort.hs

```
1 quicksort :: Ord a => [a] -> [a]
2 quicksort [] = []
3 quicksort (p:xs) = (quicksort lesser) ++
  [p] ++ (quicksort greater)
4 where
5   lesser = filter (< p) xs
6   greater = filter (>= p) xs
```

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