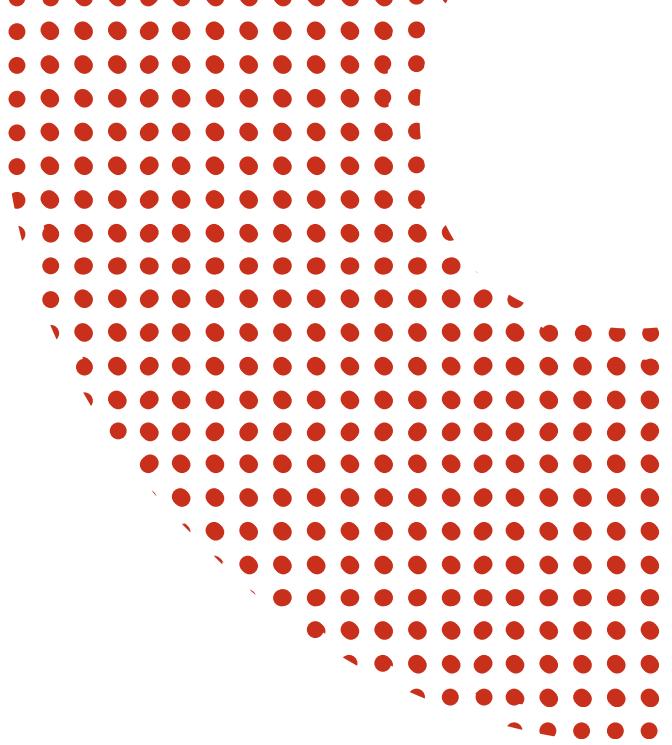




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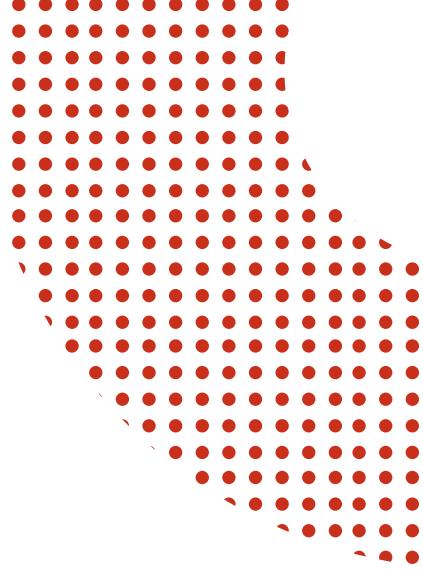
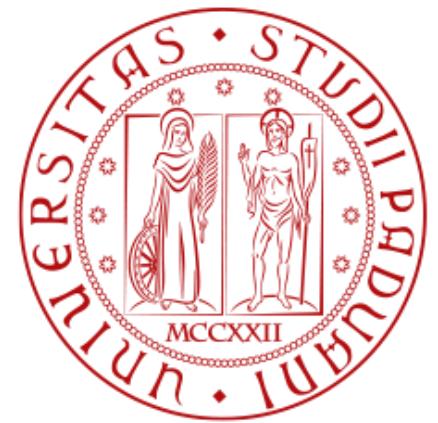
Differential Privacy on a Diabetic Dataset

PRIVACY PRESERVING INFORMATION ACCESS: HOMEWORK 2

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OUR DATASET

Dataset Overview

- Around 800 female patients (Pima Indians, age starting from 21)
- No direct sensitive Identifiers (no ID, name,...)
- All attributes act as Quasi-Identifiers
- Outcome is the only binary feature (Type-2 Diabetes: Yes/No)

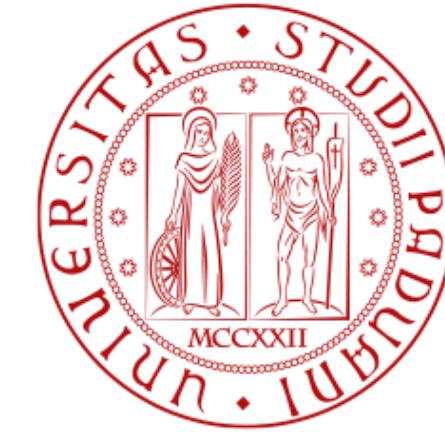
Diabetes dataset: <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/uciml/pima-indians-diabetes-database>



DIFFERENTIAL PRIVACY

List of techniques Implemented:

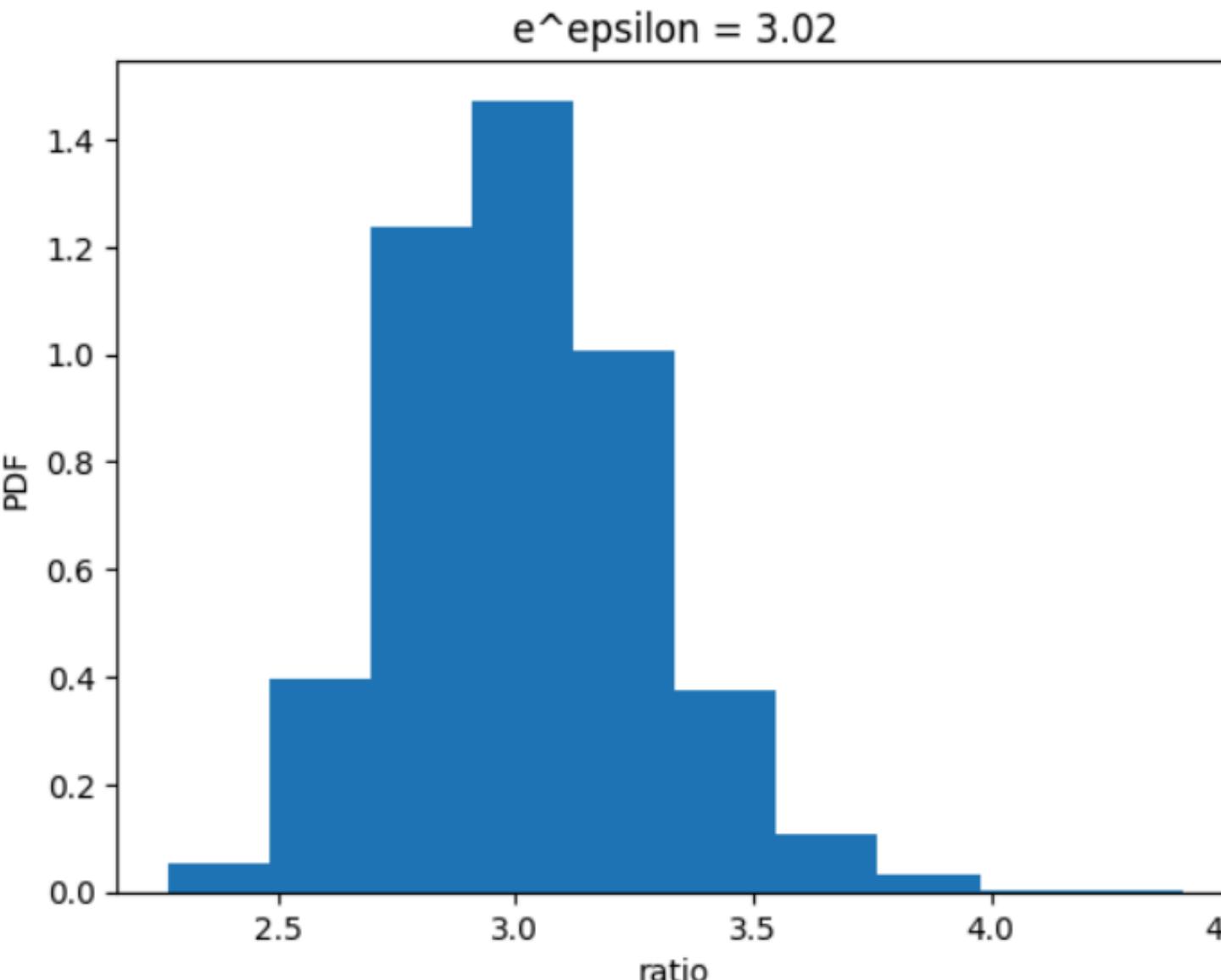
- Coin toss & Epsilon coin toss
- Laplace mechanism on counting/histogram queries
- Exponential mechanism
- Sparse vector Algorithm:
 - Sparse
 - Numerical Sparse
- RAPPOR



COIN TOSS

QUERY: How many people are diabetic?

TRIVIAL COIN TOSS



Percent number of 1 in original column: 0.349

Percent number of 1 after coin toss: 0.346

EPSILON COIN TOSS

```
def epsilonCointoss(data, epsilon=1e-5):
    size = len(data)
    outputs = []

    p_1_given_1 = np.exp(epsilon) / (np.exp(epsilon) + 1)

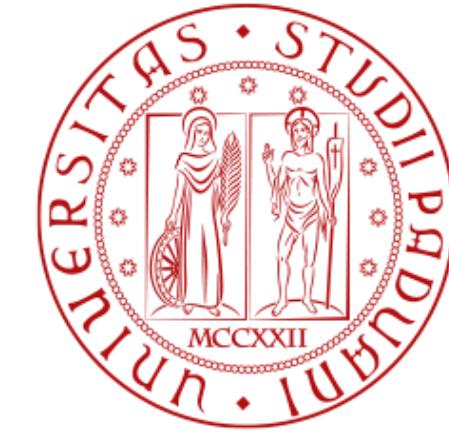
    for x in data:
        if np.random.random() < p_1_given_1:
            outputs.append(x)
        else:
            outputs.append(1 if x == 0 else 0)

    return outputs

def getEpsilonOriginalProbabilities(data, epsilon):
    Y = np.sum(data)/len(data)
    e_eps = np.exp(epsilon)

    numerator = Y * (e_eps + 1) - 1
    denominator = e_eps - 1

    p = numerator / denominator
    return p
```

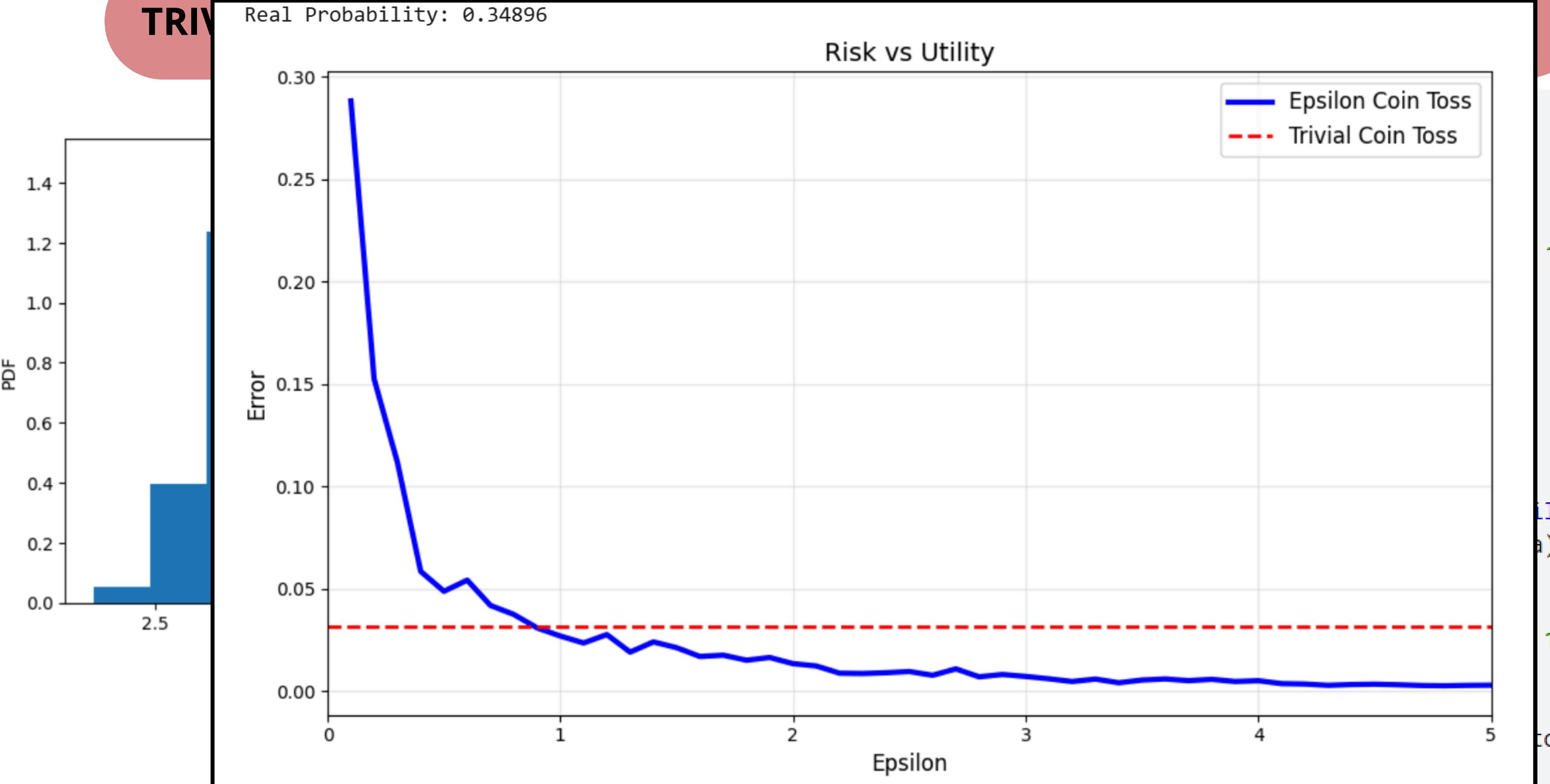


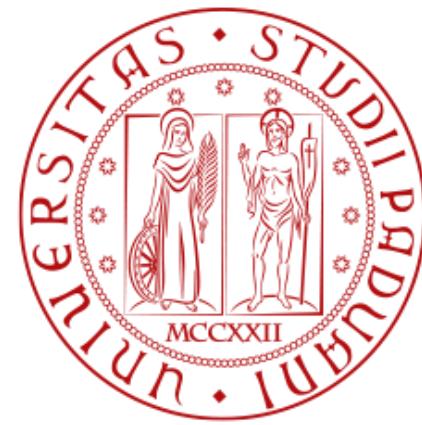
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COIN TOSS

QUERY: How many people are diabetic?

TRIVIA



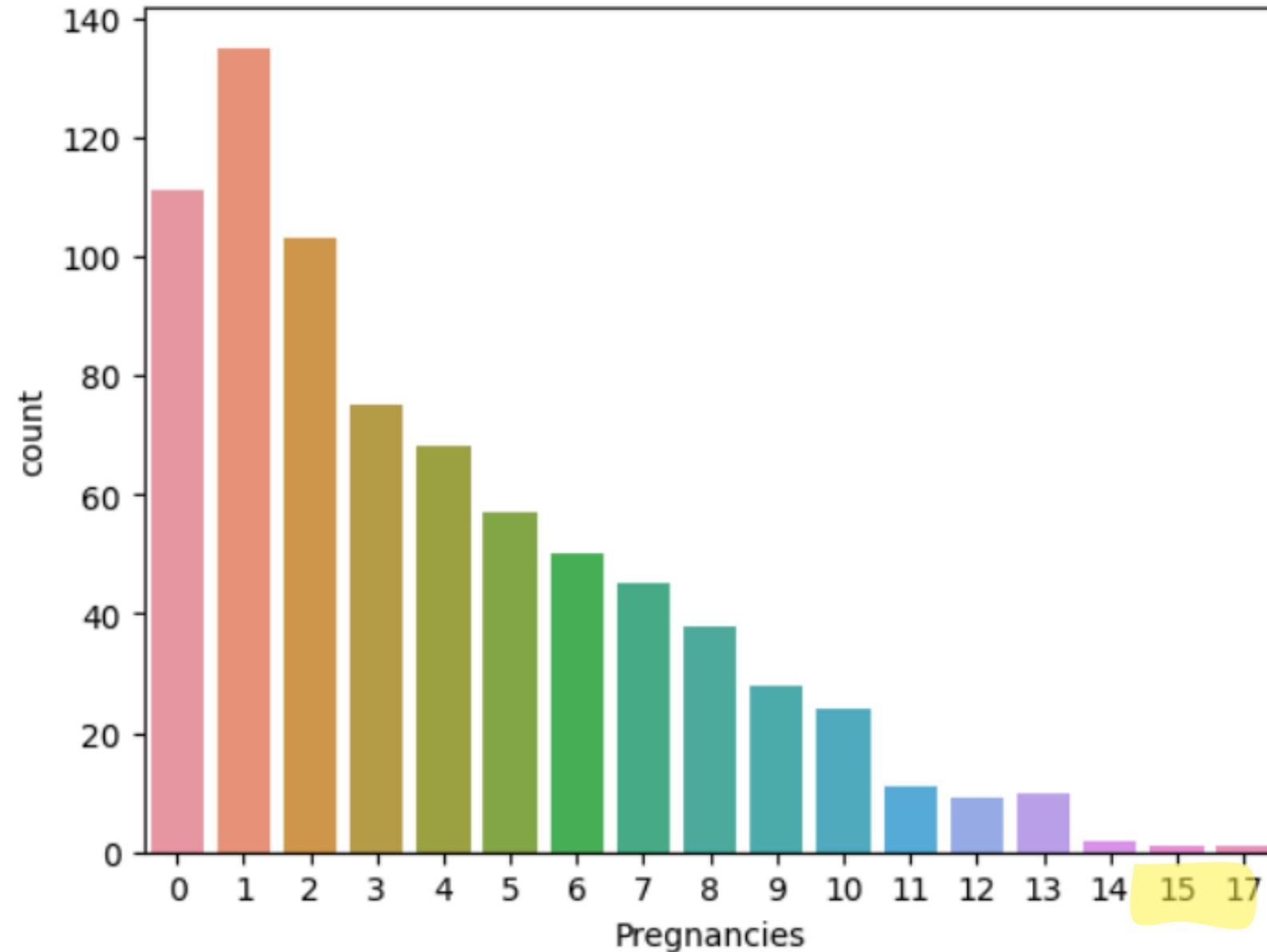


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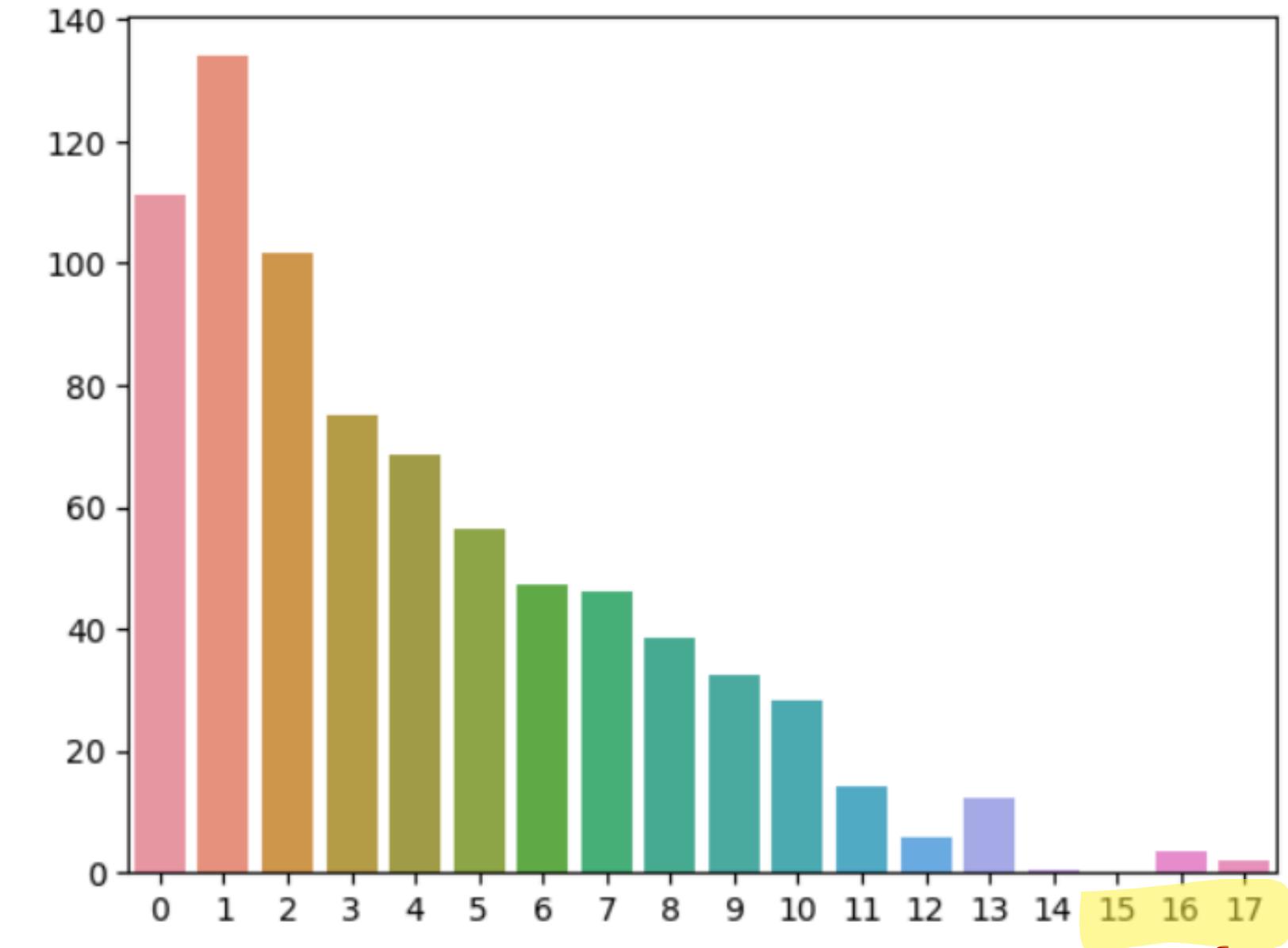
LAPLACE MECHANISM

HISTOGRAM QUERY: How many pregnancies have girls?

before Laplace



after Laplace





LAPLACE MECHANISM

HISTOGRAM QUERY: How many pregnancies have girls?

- $k = 17$
- $\delta = [0.001, 0.01, 0.1]$
- $\Delta f = 1$
- $\epsilon = [0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.5, 1.0]$

$$\Pr \left[||f(x) - y||_{\infty} \geq \ln \left(\frac{k}{\delta} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{\Delta f}{\epsilon} \right) \right] \leq \delta$$

(epsilon= 0.01) - probability of having an error bigger than 974.097: 0.000800 -- expected <= 0.001
(epsilon= 0.01) - probability of having an error bigger than 743.838: 0.009200 -- expected <= 0.01
(epsilon= 0.01) - probability of having an error bigger than 513.580: 0.094600 -- expected <= 0.1
(epsilon= 0.1) - probability of having an error bigger than 97.410: 0.001200 -- expected <= 0.001
(epsilon= 0.1) - probability of having an error bigger than 74.384: 0.009200 -- expected <= 0.01
(epsilon= 0.1) - probability of having an error bigger than 51.358: 0.099000 -- expected <= 0.1
(epsilon= 0.5) - probability of having an error bigger than 19.482: 0.001300 -- expected <= 0.001
(epsilon= 0.5) - probability of having an error bigger than 14.877: 0.010000 -- expected <= 0.01
(epsilon= 0.5) - probability of having an error bigger than 10.272: 0.092600 -- expected <= 0.1
(epsilon= 1) - probability of having an error bigger than 9.741: 0.001400 -- expected <= 0.001
(epsilon= 1) - probability of having an error bigger than 7.438: 0.008800 -- expected <= 0.01
(epsilon= 1) - probability of having an error bigger than 5.136: 0.096300 -- expected <= 0.1
(epsilon= 10) - probability of having an error bigger than 0.974: 0.001300 -- expected <= 0.001
(epsilon= 10) - probability of having an error bigger than 0.744: 0.012200 -- expected <= 0.01
(epsilon= 10) - probability of having an error bigger than 0.514: 0.091800 -- expected <= 0.1



EXPONENTIAL MECHANISM

QUERY: We want to divide the people in two group with the same size based on the age

Sensitivity

```
perturbed_utils = []
for i in range(len(age)):
    new_age = np.concatenate((age[:i], age[i+1:]))
    perturbed_utils.append(
        utility_function(R, new_age))

perturbed_utils.append(
    utility_function(R, np.concatenate(([70], age)))

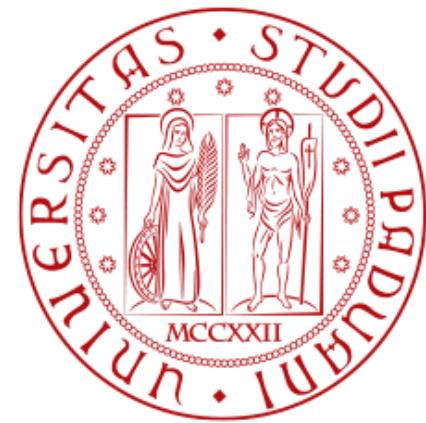
sensitivity = np.max([
    np.max(np.abs(np.array(real_utility) - np.array(pu)))
    for pu in perturbed_utils
])
print(sensitivity)
```

Utility Function

```
def utility_function(R, data):
    data = data
    utilities = []
    for r in R:
        group1 = data[data <= r]
        group2 = data[data > r]

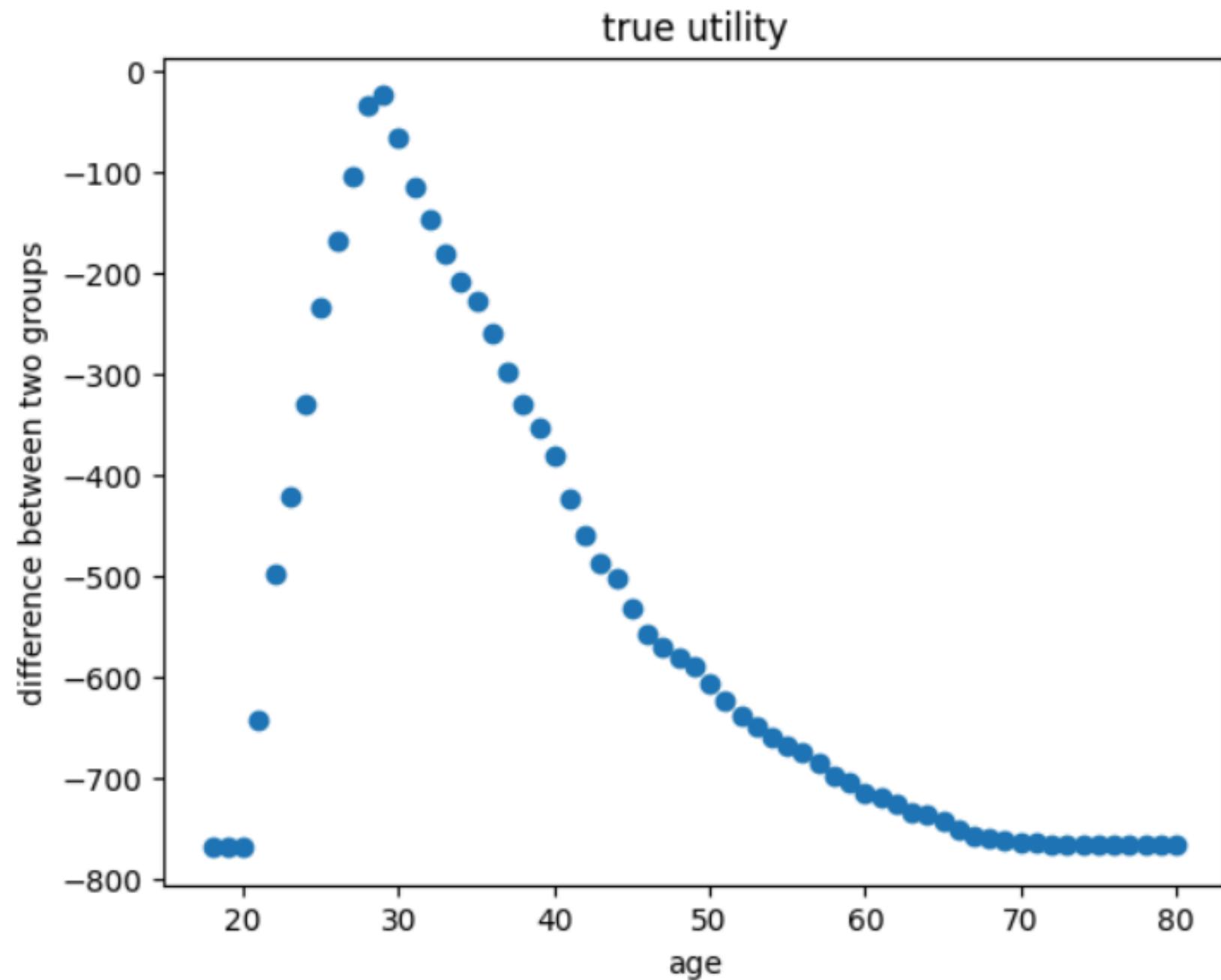
        error = abs(len(group1) - len(group2))
        utilities.append(-error)

    return utilities
```

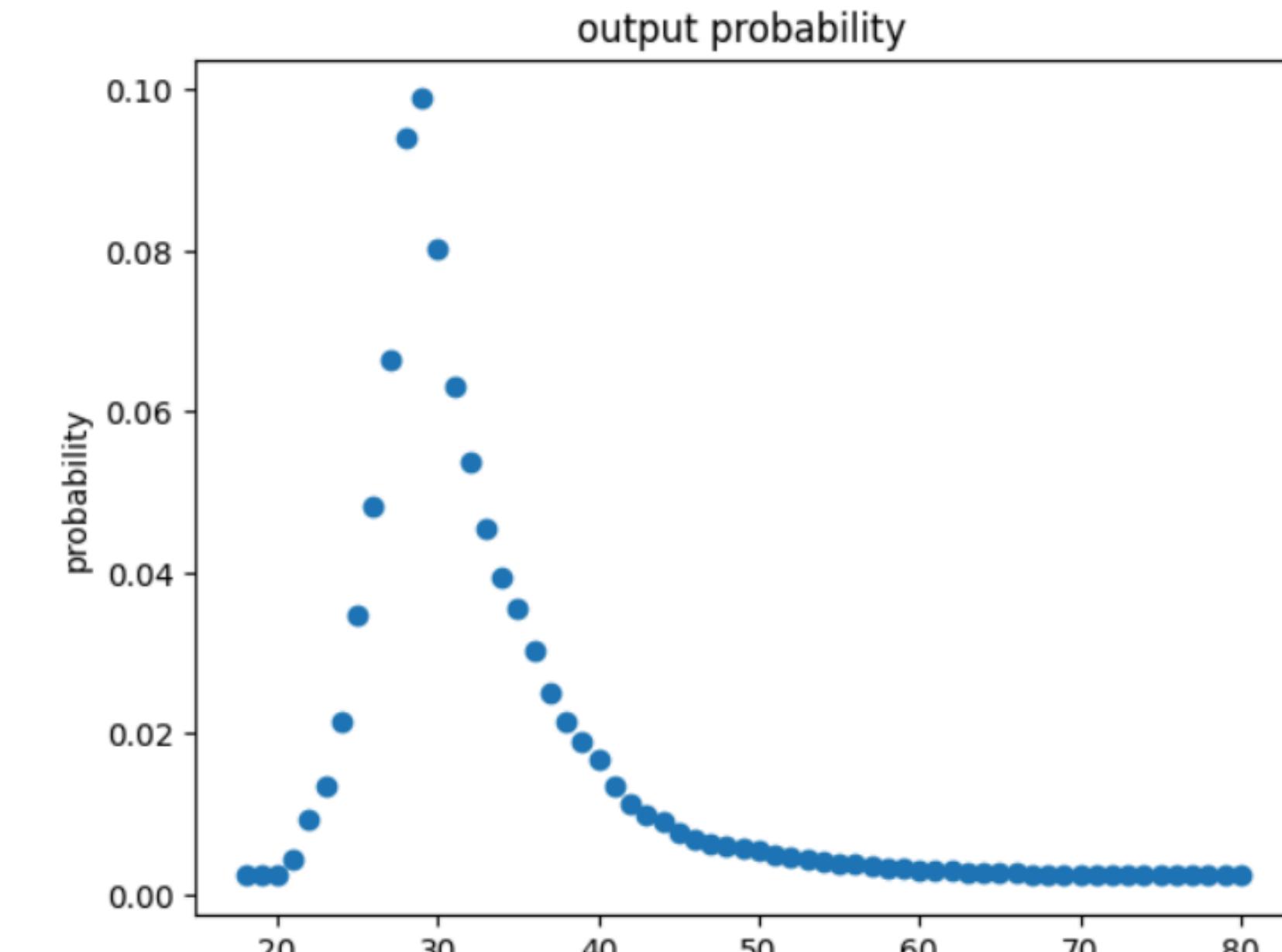


EXPONENTIAL MECHANISM

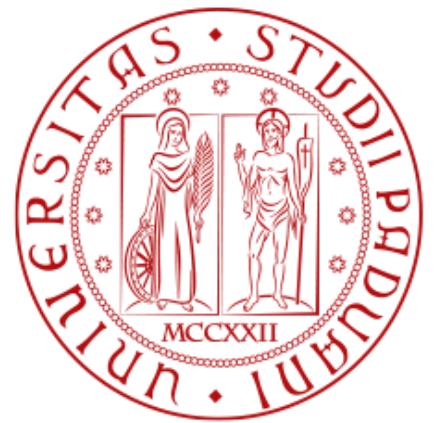
**QUERY: Divide the people in two group
with the same size based on the age**



best age: 29 - optimal utility: -24.00
output value: 32.00 - revenue: -146.00



best age: 29 - optimal utility: -24.00
output value: 31.00 - revenue: -114.00



**QUERY: How is the Glucose value of
the girls**



SparseVector

```
def sparse_vectors(data, queries, threshold, epsilon):
    results = {}

    for eps in epsilons:
        threshold_perturbed = np.random.laplace(threshold, 2/eps)
        run_output = []

        for q in queries:
            qnoise = np.random.laplace(0, 4/eps)
            noisy_value = q(data) + qnoise

            if noisy_value >= threshold_perturbed:
                run_output.append("ABOVE")
                break
            else:
                run_output.append("BELOW")

        results[eps] = run_output

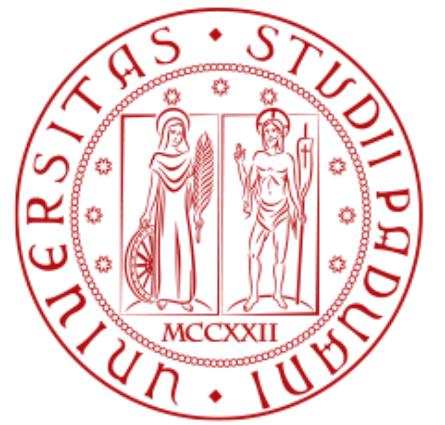
    return results
```

Parameters

```
glucose = diabetes_df["Glucose"].values
epsilons = [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0, 10.0]
threshold = 195
```

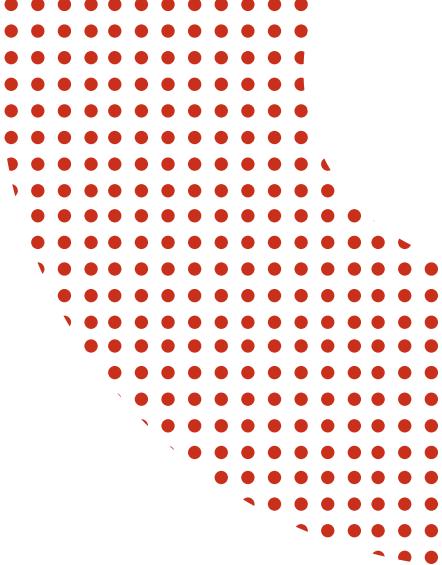
Results

```
epsilon = 0.001, output = ['ABOVE']
epsilon = 0.01, output = ['BELOW', 'BELOW', 'ABOVE']
epsilon = 0.1, output = ['ABOVE']
epsilon = 0.25, output = ['BELOW', 'BELOW', 'ABOVE']
epsilon = 0.5, output = ['BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW']
epsilon = 1.0, output = ['BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW']
epsilon = 10.0, output = ['BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW', 'BELOW']
```



SPARSE VECTOR MECHANISM

QUERY: How is the Glucose value of the girls

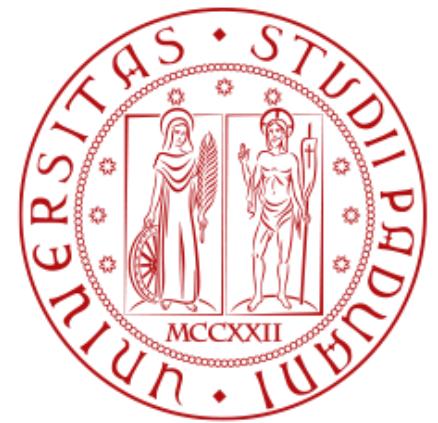


Sparse

```
def sparse(data, queries, threshold, epsilon, limit_c):
    results = {}
    for eps in epsilons:
        count = 0
        threshold_perturbed = np.random.laplace(threshold, 2/eps)
        run_output = []
        for q in queries:
            qnoise = np.random.laplace(0, 4/eps)
            noisy_value = q(data) + qnoise
            if noisy_value >= threshold_perturbed:
                run_output.append("ABOVE")
                count += 1
            if count == limit_c: break
        else: run_output.append("BELOW")
    results[eps] = run_output
return results
```

NumericSparse

```
def numeric_sparse(data, queries, threshold, epsilon, limit_c):
    results = {}
    for eps in epsilons:
        count = 0
        threshold_perturbed = np.random.laplace(threshold, 2/eps)
        run_output = []
        for q in queries:
            qnoise = np.random.laplace(0, 4/eps)
            noisy_value = q(data) + qnoise
            if noisy_value >= threshold_perturbed:
                run_output.append(("ABOVE", noisy_value))
                count += 1
            if count == limit_c: break
        else: run_output.append("BELOW")
    results[eps] = run_output
return results
```

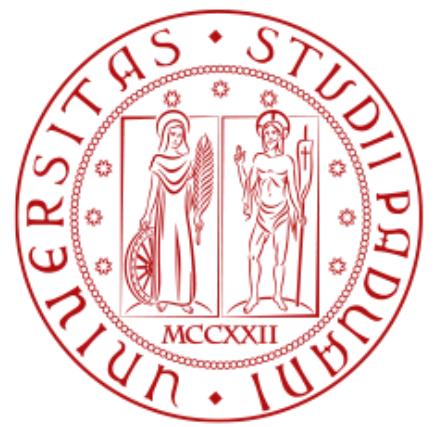
Estimating BMI category counts Without revealing Individual identities

- 1) Encode the value v in a vector B via a bloom filter:
using one hash function encode a value in a vector of size k

```
def hash_function_for_BMI(category_name):  
    mapp = {  
        "Underweight" : 0,  
        "Normal" : 1,  
        "Overweight" : 2,  
        "Obese" : 3,  
        "SeverelyObese": 4,  
    }  
    return mapp[category_name]
```

```
def BloomFiltering(category_name, K=5):  
    idx = hash_function_for_BMI(category_name)  
    B = [0] * K  
    B[idx] = 1  
    return B
```

- h=1
- k=5

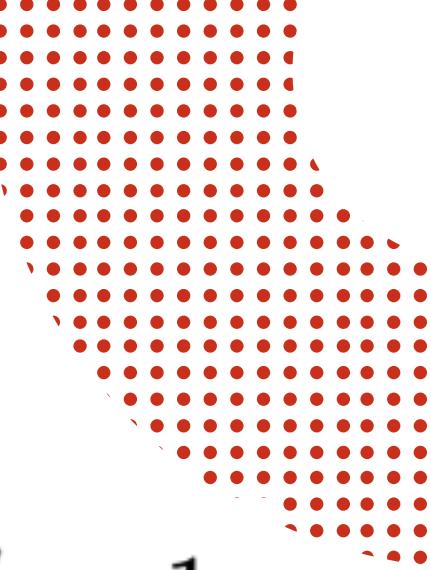


2) randomize (and memoize) B in a vector B'

- $f = 0.5$

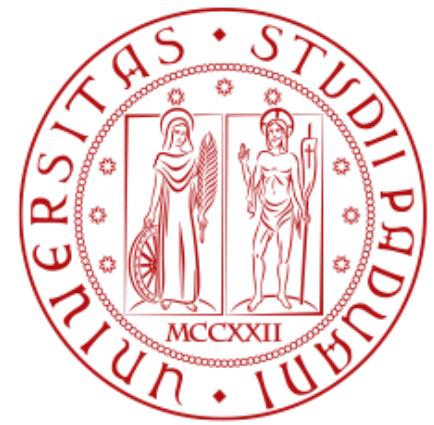
```
def coinTossRappor(data, f):
    size = len(data)
    outputs = []
    for i in range(size):
        if random.random() < 1 - f:
            outputs.append(data[i])
        else:
            outputs.append(1 if random.random() > 0.5 else 0)
    return outputs
```

$$B'_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2}f \\ 0, & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2}f \\ B_i, & \text{with probability } 1 - f \end{cases}$$



3) randomize B' in a response S and send it to the server $P(S_i = 1) = \begin{cases} q, & \text{if } B'_i = 1 \\ p, & \text{if } B'_i = 0 \end{cases}$

```
def randomizeRespondeRappor(B_prime, q, p):
    i = 0
    report_response = []
    for i, bit in enumerate(B_prime):
        if bit == 1:
            report_response.append(1 if random.random() < q else 0)
        else:
            report_response.append(1 if random.random() < p else 0)
    return report_response
```



RAPPOR & Results

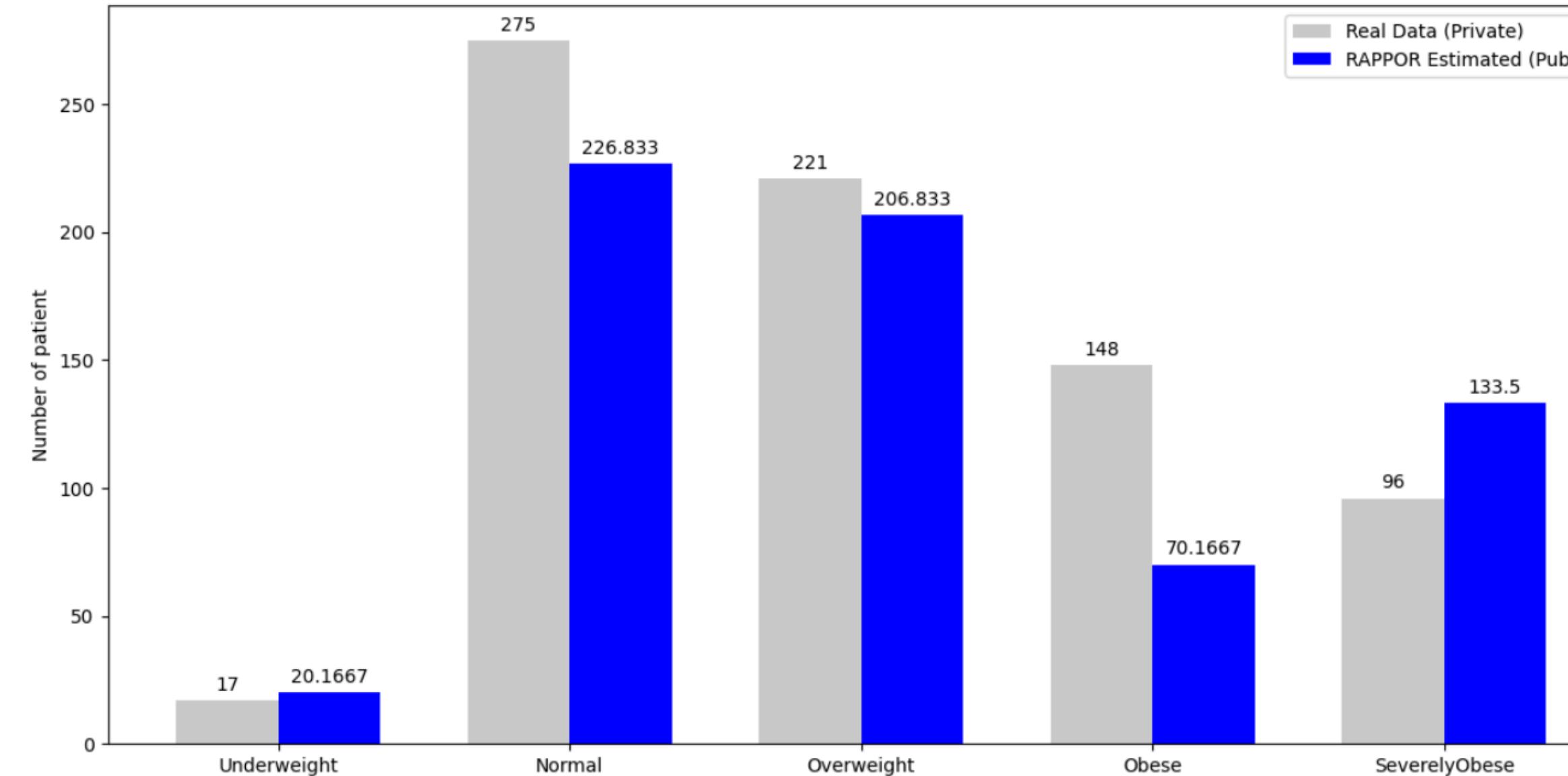
$$\varepsilon = 2h \log \left(\frac{1 - \frac{1}{2}f}{\frac{1}{2}f} \right) \rightarrow \varepsilon = 0.95424$$

$$t_{ij} = \frac{c_{ij} - (p + \frac{1}{2}fq - \frac{1}{2}fp)N_j}{(1-f)(q-p)}$$

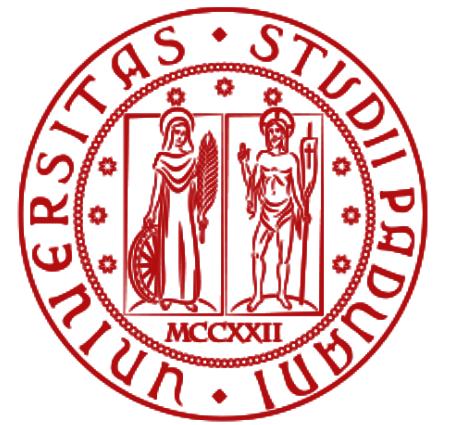
```
def decode_rappor(reports, f, q, p):
    N_j = len(reports)
    c_ij = np.sum(reports, axis=0)

    num = p + 0.5 * f * q - 0.5 * f * p
    den = (1 - f) * (q - p)

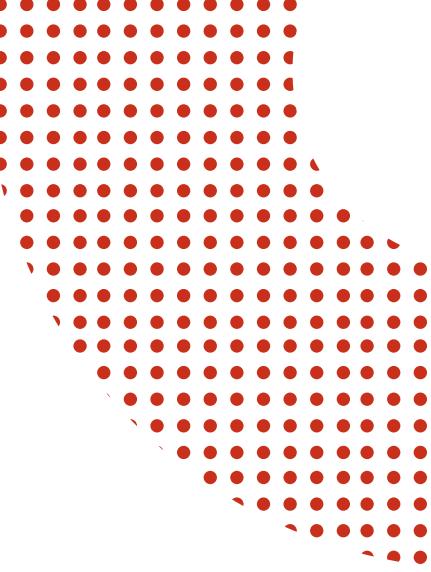
    est = (c_ij - (num * N_j)) / (den)
    est = np.maximum(est, 0)
    return est
```



- $h = 1$
- $f = 0.5$
- $q = 0.8$
- $p = 0.2$



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