

anon_jupyter

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1 Anonymising the customer_information.csv and calculating the k-anonymity of the new dataset

1.0.1 Importing necessary packages

The following packages must be imported (and also installed, if necessary).

```
[ ]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import hashlib
import re
import os
import country_converter as coco
from geopy.geocoders import Nominatim
from cryptography.fernet import Fernet
```

1.0.2 Helper functions used

The following helper functions are needed -

```
[ ]: # Helper functions

# Parse country into shortform
def parse_country(country_name):
    country = coco.convert(country_name, to='name_short', include_obsolete=True)
    return country

# The following variable countries were hard-coded to fix unmatched territory
↳ errors
northern_countries = ["Svalbard & Jan Mayen Islands"]
southern_countries = ["Micronesia"]

# Convert country of birth into Hemisphere (Northern or Southern) based on
↳ latitude coordinates
def country_to_hemisphere(country_name):
    try:
        if country_name in southern_countries:
            return "Southern Hemisphere"
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        elif country_name in northern_countries:
            return "Northern Hemisphere"
        else:
            return ("Southern" if Nominatim(user_agent="CDM").
↳geocode(parse_country(country_name)).latitude < 0 else "Northern") + "
↳Hemisphere"
    except Exception as e:
        print(e)
        return "Error"

# SHA hash function using a key and salt
def hash(to_hash, key):
    salt = os.urandom(16)
    h = hashlib.sha256()
    h.update(key)
    h.update(salt)
    h.update(to_hash.encode())
    return to_hash, h.hexdigest(), salt.hex()

# To encrypt and save as encrypted file; specify file to encrypt, encrypted
↳file destination, and destination key location
def encrypt(to_encrypt, file_destination, key_location):
    key = Fernet.generate_key() # AES in CBC mode with a 128-bit key for
↳encryption
    fernet = Fernet(key)

    with open(key_location, 'wb') as f:
        f.write(key)

    with open(to_encrypt, 'rb') as f:
        plaintext = f.read()

    encrypted = fernet.encrypt(plaintext)
    with open(file_destination, 'wb') as e:
        e.write(encrypted)

```

1.0.3 Loading required data and creating the anonymised dataframe

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[ ]: # Read in data to be anonymised
original_data = pd.read_csv("Data/customer_information.csv")

# Reading in postcode_region.csv to map given postcode to countries in the UK -
↳'England' and 'Other'(includes Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland)
postcode_dictionary = pd.read_csv('Data/postcode_region.csv')

```

```
# Create anon_data variable as initial data with unneeded direct identifiers
↳dropped
anon_data = pd.DataFrame()

postcode_dictionary.head()
```

```
[ ]:   Postcode  Region
0        AB   Other
1        AL  England
2         B  England
3        BA  England
4        BB  England
```

1.0.4 Adding variables to the anonymised dataset

Assigning gender and case-control status as given

```
[ ]: # Assign gender
anon_data['Gender'] = original_data['gender']

# Assign case-control status
anon_data['CC.Status'] = original_data['cc_status']

anon_data.head()
```

```
[ ]:   Gender  CC.Status
0        F           0
1        M           0
2        F           0
3        F           0
4        F           0
```

1.0.5 Pseudoanonymisation

Creating the hashed Sample ID Next, a unique Sample ID is created from the National Insurance Number to link the anonymised data with the reference data containing sensitive information.

```
[ ]: # Clean NIN formatting and assign Sample ID as a hashed form of the NIN
key = os.urandom(16)
original_data["national_insurance_number"], anon_data['Sample.ID'], salts =
↳zip(*original_data["national_insurance_number"].apply(
    lambda x: hash(re.sub(r'(.{2})(?!$)', '\\1 ', x.replace(' ', '')), key)))

anon_data.head()
```

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[ ]:   Gender  CC.Status                               Sample.ID
0        F           0  f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
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1	M	0	40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
2	F	0	8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3	F	0	37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4	F	0	e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

```
[ ]: # Create a reference table between NIN and respective hashed NIN
reference_table = pd.DataFrame()
reference_table['Hashed.NIN'] = anon_data['Sample.ID']
reference_table['Salt'] = salts
reference_table['Key'] = key.hex()
reference_table['NIN'] = original_data['national_insurance_number']

reference_table.head()
```

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[ ]:                                     Hashed.NIN \
0  f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
1  40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
2  8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3  37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4  e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

                                     Salt                                     Key \
0  7a2b96d32f333ab5b8c7fe0551045b47  1eadb7002887e4569806a37456023fd7
1  2a8e3151f022d9b4fe57309c5985a8da  1eadb7002887e4569806a37456023fd7
2  eb117cf898ca22607a0a035b41b6d11f  1eadb7002887e4569806a37456023fd7
3  f780fe4cf0a955764333c5c2a8f7f7ae  1eadb7002887e4569806a37456023fd7
4  72126f78bd0d3f62b80baef4b57da6b2  1eadb7002887e4569806a37456023fd7

                                     NIN
0  ZZ 19 48 92 T
1  ZZ 75 35 13 T
2  ZZ 94 71 96 T
3  ZZ 39 69 47 T
4  ZZ 30 98 91 T
```

1.0.6 Banding - date of birth and education level

```
[ ]: # Banding birth date
birthyears = pd.DatetimeIndex(original_data['birthdate']).year

# Band the birth years into 20-year intervals
anon_data['Birthyear'] = pd.cut(birthyears, np.arange(birthyears.min(),
↳ birthyears.max()+20, 20), right=False)

anon_data.head()
```

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[ ]: Gender CC.Status Sample.ID \
0      F      0 f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
1      M      0 40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
2      F      0 8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3      F      0 37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4      F      0 e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

Birthyear
0 [1975, 1995)
1 [1995, 2015)
2 [1975, 1995)
3 [1995, 2015)
4 [1955, 1975)
```

1.0.7 Mapping full postcode to countries within the UK using postcode_dictionary

```
[ ]: # Assign UK country derived from postcode
anon_data['Postcode'] = original_data['postcode'].apply(lambda x: re.
    ↪search('[a-zA-Z]*', x).group(0))
anon_data = pd.merge(anon_data, postcode_dictionary, on='Postcode', how='left')
anon_data = anon_data.rename(columns={'Region': 'UK.Country'})

anon_data.head()
```

```
[ ]: Gender CC.Status Sample.ID \
0      F      0 f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
1      M      0 40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
2      F      0 8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3      F      0 37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4      F      0 e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

Birthyear Postcode UK.Country
0 [1975, 1995)      LS      England
1 [1995, 2015)      M      England
2 [1975, 1995)      SO      England
3 [1995, 2015)      B      England
4 [1955, 1975)      TQ      England
```

1.0.8 Data aggregation - grouping education level and country of birth

```
[ ]: # Assign education level as banded education level
anon_data['Education.Level'] = original_data['education_level'].map(lambda x:
    ↪"Higher" if x in ["bachelor", "masters", "phd"] else "BasicOther")

# Assign hemisphere of birth depending on country of birth
```

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anon_data['Location.of.Birth'] = original_data['country_of_birth'].apply(lambda
    ↪x: country_to_hemisphere(x))

anon_data.head()
```

```
[ ]:  Gender  CC.Status  Sample.ID \
0      F          0  f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
1      M          0  40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
2      F          0  8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3      F          0  37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4      F          0  e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

      Birthyear Postcode UK.Country Education.Level  Location.of.Birth
0  [1975, 1995)      LS   England           Higher  Northern Hemisphere
1  [1995, 2015)      M   England      BasicOther  Northern Hemisphere
2  [1975, 1995)      SO   England           Higher  Northern Hemisphere
3  [1995, 2015)      B   England      BasicOther  Northern Hemisphere
4  [1955, 1975)      TQ   England      BasicOther  Southern Hemisphere
```

1.0.9 Data perturbation - addition of Gaussian noise

```
[ ]: # Add gaussian noise to weight, height, countries visited, average number of
    ↪drinks in alcohol units per week and average cigarettes smoked per week.

weight_noise = np.random.normal(0,1,1000)*5
anon_data['Weight'] = round(original_data['weight']+weight_noise, 1)

height_noise = np.random.normal(0,1,1000)/5
anon_data['Height'] = round(original_data['height']+height_noise, 2)

countries_noise = np.random.normal(0,1,1000)*5
anon_data['Countries.Visited'] =
    ↪round(original_data['n_countries_visited']+countries_noise)

alcohol_noise = np.random.normal(0,1,1000)
anon_data['Avg.Alcohol'] =
    ↪round(original_data['avg_n_drinks_per_week']+alcohol_noise, 1)

smoking_noise = np.random.normal(0,1,1000)*20
anon_data['Avg.Cigarettes'] =
    ↪round(original_data['avg_n_cigret_per_week']+smoking_noise)

anon_data.head()
```

```
[ ]:  Gender  CC.Status  Sample.ID \
0      F          0  f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...
1      M          0  40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...
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2	F	0	8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...
3	F	0	37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aeec641ebe519fb374229...
4	F	0	e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...

	Birthyear	Postcode	UK.Country	Education.Level	Location.of.Birth \
0	[1975, 1995)	LS	England	Higher	Northern Hemisphere
1	[1995, 2015)	M	England	BasicOther	Northern Hemisphere
2	[1975, 1995)	SO	England	Higher	Northern Hemisphere
3	[1995, 2015)	B	England	BasicOther	Northern Hemisphere
4	[1955, 1975)	TQ	England	BasicOther	Southern Hemisphere

	Weight	Height	Countries.Visited	Avg.Alcohol	Avg.Cigarettes
0	71.8	1.61	43.0	5.8	190.0
1	78.2	1.97	38.0	0.8	19.0
2	104.0	2.12	18.0	7.2	51.0
3	67.7	1.48	35.0	5.5	295.0
4	102.1	2.03	41.0	4.1	356.0

1.0.10 Calculating K-anonymity using quasi-identifiers

The following code groups the quasi-identifiers specified and returns a count of the “unique” rows.

```
[ ]: # Checking k-anonymity for quasi-identifiers
df_count = anon_data.groupby(['Gender', 'Birthyear', 'Location.of.Birth',
                              'UK.Country', 'Education.Level']).size().
    ↪reset_index(name = 'Count')

# Print rows where k-anonymity is 1
print(df_count[df_count['Count']==1])

# Printing the final grouped output
print("Final grouped output in ascending order of 'Count' - ")
df_count.sort_values("Count")
```

Empty DataFrame

Columns: [Gender, Birthyear, Location.of.Birth, UK.Country, Education.Level, Count]

Index: []

Final grouped output in ascending order of 'Count' -

	Gender	Birthyear	Location.of.Birth	UK.Country	Education.Level	Count
22	F	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	0
47	M	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	2
31	M	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	2
46	M	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	2
19	F	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	2
39	M	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	3

23	F	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	3
7	F	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	4
30	M	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	4
38	M	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	4
6	F	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	4
45	M	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	5
43	M	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	5
15	F	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	5
3	F	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	6
11	F	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	6
14	F	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	8
21	F	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	8
42	M	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	9
20	F	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	9
29	M	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	11
10	F	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	12
2	F	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	12
44	M	[1995, 2015)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	12
35	M	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	13
17	F	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	13
18	F	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	14
5	F	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	14
34	M	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	17
27	M	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	Higher	17
26	M	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	Other	BasicOther	19
13	F	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	19
41	M	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	19
36	M	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	21
37	M	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	England	Higher	23
28	M	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	23
12	F	[1975, 1995)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	24
40	M	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	35
4	F	[1955, 1975)	Southern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	37
16	F	[1995, 2015)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	39
25	M	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	44
9	F	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	46
33	M	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	48
1	F	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	England	Higher	55
0	F	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	77
24	M	[1955, 1975)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	79
8	F	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	82
32	M	[1975, 1995)	Northern Hemisphere	England	BasicOther	84

1.0.11 Viewing the final anonymised dataset

```
[ ]: # Re-order columns
anon_data = anon_data[['Sample.ID', 'Gender', 'Birthyear', 'Location.of.Birth', 'UK.Country', 'Weight',
                        'Height', 'Education.Level', 'Avg.Alcohol', 'Avg.Cigarettes', 'Countries.Visited', 'CC.Status']]

# View the anonymised dataset
anon_data.head()
```

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[ ]:
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	Sample.ID	Gender	Birthyear	\
0	f62e57d1aa65676b9db9986f73930551d196fa8db9eaa8...	F	[1975, 1995)	
1	40a8ffbc83728762c7f690a9537d536f3ba13ec3dacb57...	M	[1995, 2015)	
2	8d8e6615e9df3aaafb73eaf0a86b329bb7d57e95a4f833...	F	[1975, 1995)	
3	37035c2be594b97d187b5bec3aee641ebe519fb374229...	F	[1995, 2015)	
4	e5ec0f5b36d61c09695a64ed63c509cec2f5b6c0251bd1...	F	[1955, 1975)	

	Location.of.Birth	UK.Country	Weight	Height	Education.Level	\
0	Northern Hemisphere	England	71.8	1.61	Higher	
1	Northern Hemisphere	England	78.2	1.97	BasicOther	
2	Northern Hemisphere	England	104.0	2.12	Higher	
3	Northern Hemisphere	England	67.7	1.48	BasicOther	
4	Southern Hemisphere	England	102.1	2.03	BasicOther	

	Avg.Alcohol	Avg.Cigarettes	Countries.Visited	CC.Status
0	5.8	190.0	43.0	0
1	0.8	19.0	38.0	0
2	7.2	51.0	18.0	0
3	5.5	295.0	35.0	0
4	4.1	356.0	41.0	0

1.0.12 Creating CSV files for the anonymised data and the reference table

```
[ ]: # Output the files into .csv format
output_name = "anon_dataset"
anon_data.to_csv(output_name + ".csv", sep=",", index=None)

reference_table.to_csv("reference_table.csv", sep=",", index=None)
```

1.0.13 Encrypting and decrypting the dataset

```
[ ]: # Encrypt csv and delete original file
encrypt(output_name + ".csv", output_name + "_encrypted.csv", "key.key")
os.remove(output_name + ".csv")
```

```
[ ]: pip freeze > requirements.txt
```

Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages.