# Coursework 2: Data Anonymisation and Privacy

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This 19-page document describes annotated code used to anonymise data from iInsureU123.

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# **Section 1: Import Packages**

Import the required packages for data accessing and anonymisation

```
[1]: ## the following lines are to be uncommented and run if they have yet to be

installed

#pip install pycountry-convert ## for identifying continents

#pip install progressbar ## to visualise loop completion

#pip install pyminizip ## for file zipping
```

```
import pandas as pd ## for dataframe manipulation
import numpy as np ## for statistical averaging, and finding max and min
import datetime ## for date calculations
import os ## for file saving
import stat ## for making file readonly
import pycountry_convert as pc ## for identifying continents
import re ## for regex manipulations
import progressbar ## to visualise loop completion
import requests ## to communicate with api
import shutil ## for directory zipping
import secrets ## for generating password
import string ## for string manipulation
```

# Section 2: Data Import and Exploratory Analysis

Data is imported and visualised, with the column names extracted before data manipulation occurs in next section.

```
[3]: # import csv
     data = pd.read_csv("Data/customer_information.csv")
[4]: # dataframe found to have 1000 rows, 18 columns
     data.shape
[4]: (1000, 18)
[5]: # preview of what the last 5 rows of data look like
     data.tail(5)
                      surname gender
                                        birthdate country_of_birth current_country
[5]:
         given_name
     995
                      Hammond
                                                              Nepal United Kingdom
              Allan
                                    M 1964-01-26
                       Morris
                                                            Estonia United Kingdom
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              Robin
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                     weight height blood_group avg_n_drinks_per_week
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                  0
                                              A+
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                       95.6
     999
                               1.65
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          avg_n_cigret_per_week education_level n_countries_visited
     995
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                                       secondary
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     996
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                                                                    35
                                           other
     997
                           55.7
                                                                    35
                                       secondary
     998
                          430.5
                                        bachelor
                                                                    35
     999
                           34.6
                                         masters
                                                                    47
```

# **Section 3: Feature Preprocessing**

Removing non required information and anonymising remaining information.

# 3.1 Type of Data Present

From Section 2, the dataframe was found to contain the following columns, as demonstrated by the row values, that represented the following information, as demonstrated by the column headers:

Surveyee Info	Demographic Info	Financial Info	Body Info	Vices Info	Other Info	
given_name	gender	national_inst	ırance <u>cn<b>statl</b>os</u> r	avg_n_drinks_p <b>ed_wætik</b> n_level		
surname	birthdate	bank_accoun	ıt_num <b>l</b> overight	avg_n_cigret_pen_woektries_visited		
-	country_of_bir	th -	height	-	-	
-	current_countr	y -	blood_group	-	-	
-	phone_number	r -	-	-	-	
-	postcode	-	-	-	-	

#### 3.2 Sensitive Columns to Drop

Due to its sensitive nature, we intend to drop the columns of: \* given\_name \* surname \* phone\_number \* national\_insurance\_number \* bank\_account\_number

### 3.3 Non-informative Column to Drop

We intend to drop the following column as every individual in the dataset was a resident of the UK at the point of data collection due to the scope of the data collection methodology: \* current\_country

#### 3.4 Columns to Keep Unmanipulated

We have decided to leave the following columns unmanipulated. blood\_group is left unmanipulated as it contains confidential information that is not accessible in public datasets. cc\_status is left unmanipulated as it encodes data in a binary format that would lose readability should further manipulations be conducted. Additionally, as both of these columns are not quasi-identifiers, we find no additional reason to propose anonymisation of these variables: \* blood\_group \* cc\_status

#### 3.5 Confidential Columns to undergo Manipulation

We intend to retain the information provided in the remaining columns below while improving data privacy through the method of banding. \* weight \* height \* avg\_n\_drinks\_per\_week \* avg\_n\_cigret\_per\_week \* n\_countries\_visited

## 3.5.1 Weight

Banded into 10kg intervals

```
[6]: # get range of weight values
print(data['weight'].min())
print(data['weight'].max())

# bins for weight
bins = [30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100]
data['banded_weight'] = pd.cut(data['weight'], bins)
35.0
100.0
```

# 3.5.2 Height

• Banded into 10cm intervals

```
[7]: # get range of height values
print(data['height'].min())
print(data['height'].max())

# bins for height
bins = [1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 2.0]
data['banded_height'] = pd.cut(data['height'], bins)
1.4
2.0
```

#### 3.5.3 Drinks Per Week

- Split into intervals of low, medium and high based on UK Health Recommendations for ease of modeling analysis
  - Drinking "in moderation" is usually taken to mean consuming seven to 14 units of alcohol a week, equivalent to six pints of average-strength beer or seven glasses of wine. The UK guidelines say that drinking no more than 14 units a week (6 drinks) on a regular basis will keep health risks to a low level.
  - Anything > 6 as not great
  - Anything > 12 as very heavy
  - Source: https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/alcohol-advice/the-risks-of-drinking-too-much/

#### 3.5.4 Cigarettes Per Week

- Split into intervals of light, medium and heavy smokers based on UK Health Recommendations for ease of modeling analysis
  - As of 2019, average cigarettes smoked per uk citizen was 9.1 per day; 63.7 per week.
     Source: https://ash.org.uk/resources/view/smoking-statistics
  - Light smokers: Light smokers have been classified as smoking less than 1 pack/day, less than 15 cig/day, less than 10 cig/day, and smoking 1–39 cig/week. Source: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2865193/
  - Heavy smokers: Heavy smokers (those who smoke greater than or equal to 25 or more cigarettes a day); >=175 per week. Source: https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/1614993/

#### 3.5.5 Countries Visited

• Banded into 5 count intervals so that distance between groups is maintained

```
[10]: bins = [0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55]
data['n_countries_visited_grouped'] = pd.cut(data.n_countries_visited, bins)
```

#### 3.6 Quasi-Identifier Columns to undergo Manipulation

We intend to manipulate the following columns as they contain information that makes the individuals identifiable. The methods used include banding and using placeholder strings that map to specific values, creating separate key-value tables that map these relationships. \* birthdate \* country\_of\_birth \* postcode \* education\_level

**3.6.0 Create directory to store key tables** Since placeholder strings are mapped to specific values, a separate directory is required to store these key-value tables that map these relationships between placeholder strings and specific values.

```
[11]: !mkdir keys
```

#### 3.6.1 Birthdate

- Present as age instead of birthdate
- For further anonymisation, present age in 20-year bands

### 3.6.2 Country of Birth

- Scale up to cross-continent level to maintain geographic information
- Match cross-continent regions to color to ensure data privacy; thus no longer a quasiidentifier

```
[13]: # this list is for all the countries that were not registered in the library
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Korea', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Asia'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Palestinian Territory', 'country_of_birth'] = |
      →'Asia'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Saint Barthelemy', 'country_of_birth'] = __ 
      →'North America'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Saint Helena', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Africa'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Reunion', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Africa'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'United States Minor Outlying Islands', __
      data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Antarctica (the territory South of 60 deg_u
      →S)', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Antarctica'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Western Sahara', 'country_of_birth'] =__
      →'Africa'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Svalbard & Jan Mayen Islands', __
      data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Libyan Arab Jamahiriya', 'country_of_birth']__
      →= 'Africa'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Pitcairn Islands', 'country_of_birth'] = 
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Slovakia (Slovak Republic)',u
      data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Bouvet Island (Bouvetoya)',__
```

```
data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Holy See (Vatican City State)', u
      data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'Timor-Leste', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Asia'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == 'British Indian Ocean Territory (Chagos,
       →Archipelago)', 'country_of_birth'] = 'Asia'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == "Cote d'Ivoire", 'country_of_birth'] = 'Africa'
     data.loc[data.country_of_birth == "Netherlands Antilles", 'country_of_birth'] =__
      →'North America'
      # function to convert country to continent
     list_of_continents = ['Africa', 'North America', 'South America', 'Antarctica', u
      def country_to_continent(country_name):
         if country_name in list_of_continents:
             return country_name
         country_alpha2 = pc.country_name_to_country_alpha2(country_name)
         country_continent_code = pc.country_alpha2_to_continent_code(country_alpha2)
         country_continent_name = pc.
       →convert_continent_code_to_continent_name(country_continent_code)
         return country_continent_name
      # apply function and assign to dataframe
     country_name = data['country_of_birth']
     continent_of_birth_list = [country_to_continent(country) for country in_
      →country_name if country is not None]
     continent_of_birth = pd.Series(continent_of_birth_list)
     continent_of_df = pd.DataFrame(continent_of_birth)
     continent_of_df_named = continent_of_df.rename(columns={0: 'continent_of_birth'})
     data['continent_of_birth'] = continent_of_df_named.loc[:,'continent_of_birth']
      # replace continents with cross-continent regions
     APAC_list = ['Asia', 'Oceania', 'Antarctica']
     Americas_list = ['South America', 'North America']
     data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'South America', 'continent_of_birth'] =___
      →'The Americas'
     data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'North America', 'continent_of_birth'] = 
      →'The Americas'
     data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'Asia', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'APAC'
     data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'Oceania', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'APAC'
     data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'Antarctica', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'APAC'
[14]: # examine counts within each cross-continent region
```

```
[14]: APAC 334
Europe 228
```

data['continent\_of\_birth'].value\_counts()

Africa 225 The Americas 213 Name: continent\_of\_birth, dtype: int64

```
[15]: # for further privacy, replace region with colours so it is more difficult to,
       \rightarrow identify individuals
      data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'APAC', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'Red'
      data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'Europe', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'Blue'
      data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'Africa', 'continent_of_birth'] = 'Green'
      data.loc[data.continent_of_birth == 'The Americas', 'continent_of_birth'] = ___
       →'Yellow'
```

```
[16]: # store key-value dataframe that maps colors to true cross-continent regions
      # initialize list of lists
      keytable = [['Red', 'APAC'], ['Blue', 'Europe'], ['Green', 'Africa'], ['Yellow', [
      →'The Americas']]
      # create the DataFrame
      keytable = pd.DataFrame(keytable, columns=['Color', 'Continent'])
      # print dataframe
      keytable
      # export the dataframe
      keytable.to_csv('keys/keytable.csv', index=True)
      # make csv readonly to ensure data is protected
      os.chmod('keys/keytable.csv', stat.S_IREAD|stat.S_IRGRP|stat.S_IROTH)
```

#### 3.6.3 Post Code

• Split into regions of the UK using postcodes api

#### [17]: data

```
country_of_birth \
[17]:
          given_name
                       surname gender
                                        birthdate
      0
            Lorraine
                          Reed
                                    F 1984-07-05
                                                                     Armenia
      1
              Edward Williams
                                       1997-06-17 Northern Mariana Islands
      2
              Hannah
                        Turner
                                       1990-06-15
                                                                   Venezuela
                                    F
      3
           Christine
                       Osborne
                                    F
                                       2000-07-29
                                                                     Eritrea
           Francesca
                         Yates
                                    F
                                       1968-11-04
                                                                     Ecuador
      995
               Allan
                                       1964-01-26
                       Hammond
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                        Morris
      996
               Robin
                                       2002-06-19
                                                                     Estonia
      997
              Stacey
                       Barnett
                                       1956-04-26
                                                                    Botswana
      998
               Jayne Harrison
                                    F
                                       1962-08-16
                                                                    Guernsey
      999
              Oliver
                        Holmes
                                    M 1957-01-10
                                                                      Canada
          current_country
                              phone_number postcode national_insurance_number \
```

United Kingdom (07700) 900876 LS5 8FN ZZ 19 48 92 T 0

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1
     United Kingdom
                       (07700) 900 877
                                           MOU 1RA
                                                                   ZZ 753513 T
2
     United Kingdom
                        +447700 900148
                                           S01 8HZ
                                                                   ZZ 947196 T
3
     United Kingdom
                        +447700 900112
                                           B18 8LW
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     United Kingdom
                        (07700) 900743
                                          TS27 2FD
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997
     United Kingdom
                        +447700 900776
                                           G89 7HN
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998
     United Kingdom
                         (07700)900596
                                          CT5B 5BN
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     United Kingdom
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     bank_account_number
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                 69342327
                                                              (90, 100]
                                                               (60, 70]
3
                 85159170
                                                     32
4
                 11399166
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                 72521708
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                 62820464
999
                 88029663
                                                     47
                                                              (90, 100]
     banded_height banded_weekly_avg_drinks
                                                 banded_weekly_avg_cigret
0
        (1.7, 1.8]
                                         medium
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995
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996
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         (1.9, 2.0]
997
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998
         (1.4, 1.5]
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                                                                       heavy
999
         (1.6, 1.7]
                                            low
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     n_countries_visited_grouped birthYear birthAge banded_age
0
                           (45, 50]
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1
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                                                       25
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                                          1997
2
                            (5, 10]
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3
                           (30, 35]
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996
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997
                           (30, 35]
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(45, 50]
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          continent_of_birth
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      2
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      3
                        Green
      4
                      Yellow
                          . . .
      995
                          Red
      996
                        Blue
      997
                        Green
      998
                        Blue
      999
                      Yellow
      [1000 rows x 27 columns]
[18]: # generate region data from postcodes
      from progressbar import ProgressBar
      pbar = ProgressBar()
      invalid_count = 0 # checking the number of post code entries that are notu
       \rightarrow computable
      # store anonymised postcodes in list
      anon_postcode = ['NA']*1000 # non-computable post code entries to be stored as NA
      count = 0 # for indexing anonymised postcode list
      # looping through all postcodes
      for i in pbar(data['postcode']):
          # isolate outcode from postcode, since regional information is stored in_
       \rightarrowoutcode
          each_postcode = i.split(' ', 1)[0]
          # find nearest existing postcode given outcode to ensure that
          # as many non-computable postcodes as possible are salvaged
          # via autocomplete function of postcodes api
          resp = requests.get('https://api.postcodes.io/postcodes/'+each_postcode+'/
       →autocomplete')
          # Catch 1: check that outcode exists
          if resp.json()['result']!= None:
              # extract full autocompleted postcode
              valid_postcode = resp.json()['result'][0]
              # get region given postcode
              resp = requests.get('https://api.postcodes.io/postcodes/
       →'+str(valid_postcode))
```

(30, 35]

1962

60

(40, 60]

998

```
region = resp.json()['result']['region']
    # store in list
    # Catch 2: check that this is not None
    if region != None:
        anon_postcode[count] = region
else: # if outcode is not computable
    invalid_count += 1
    count += 1

print(invalid_count) # to check output
```

```
[19]: # store region data in dataframe

data['postcode_region'] = anon_postcode
```

```
[21]: # for further privacy, replace education level with colours so it is more

difficult to identify individuals

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'NA', 'postcode_region'] = '0'

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'North', 'postcode_region'] = '1'

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'London', 'postcode_region'] = '2'

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'Midlands', 'postcode_region'] = '3'

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'South', 'postcode_region'] = '4'

data.loc[data.postcode_region == 'East of England', 'postcode_region'] = '5'

# store key-value dataframe that maps colors to true cross-continent regions

# initialize list of lists
```

```
postkeytable = [['0', 'NA'], ['1', 'North'], ['2', 'London'], ['3', 'Midlands'], □

□ ['4', 'South'], ['5', 'East of England']]

# create the DataFrame

postkeytable = pd.DataFrame(postkeytable, columns=['ID', 'UK Region'])

# print dataframe

print(postkeytable)

# export the dataframe

postkeytable.to_csv('keys/postkeytable.csv', index=True)

# make csv readonly to ensure data is protected

os.chmod('keys/postkeytable.csv', stat.S_IREAD|stat.S_IRGRP|stat.S_IROTH)
```

```
ID UK Region

0 0 NA

1 1 North

2 2 London

3 3 Midlands

4 4 South

5 5 East of England
```

```
[22]: # checking of counts for each region type to ensure there is enough variety for → data to remain unidentifiable data['postcode_region'].value_counts()
```

#### 3.6.4 Education Level

- banding into compulsory, undergraduate and postgraduate tiers since deviation is greatest between groups rather than within groups
  - compulsory representing primary and secondary
  - undergraduate representing bachelors
  - postgraduate representing masters and phD

```
data.loc[data.education_level == 'phD', 'education_level'] = 'postgraduate'
# for further privacy, replace education level with colours so it is more
→ difficult to identify individuals
data.loc[data.education_level == 'compulsory', 'education_level'] = 'Grey'
data.loc[data.education_level == 'undergraduate', 'education_level'] = 'White'
data.loc[data.education_level == 'postgraduate', 'education_level'] = 'Brown'
data.loc[data.education_level == 'other', 'education_level'] = 'Black'
# store key-value dataframe that maps colors to true cross-continent regions
# initialize list of lists
edukeytable = [['Grey', 'compulsory'], ['White', 'undergraduate'], ['Brown', _
# create the DataFrame
edukeytable = pd.DataFrame(edukeytable, columns=['Color', 'Education Level'])
# print dataframe
edukeytable
# export the dataframe
edukeytable.to_csv('keys/edukeytable.csv', index=True)
# make csv readonly to ensure data is protected
os.chmod('keys/edukeytable.csv', stat.S_IREAD|stat.S_IRGRP|stat.S_IROTH)
# check resulting counts to ensure sufficient counts within groups for data_{\sqcup}
→privacy to be maintained
data['education_level'].value_counts()
```

[23]: Grey 519
White 209
Brown 164
Black 108
Name: education\_level, dtype: int64

# Section 4: Prepare Data for Export and Calculate K-Anonymity

- Drop columns as mentioned in Section 2
- Keep only the manipulated columns, while dropping their source column
- Find k-anonymity for anonymised dataset

```
[24]: # preview manipulated dataframe data
```

[24]:		given_name	surname	gende	r bi:	rthdate	Э	со	untry_	_of_birth	\	
	0	Lorraine	Reed	•		4-07-05			<b>J</b> -	Armenia		
	1	Edward	Williams			7-06-17		orthern M	ariana	a Islands		
	2	Hannah	Turner			0-06-15				Venezuela		
	3	Christine	Osborne			0-07-29				Eritrea		
	4	Francesca	Yates			8-11-04				Ecuador		
	995	Allan	Hammond		M 196	4-01-26	6			Nepal		
	996	Robin	Morris		M 200	2-06-19	9			Estonia		
	997	Stacey	Barnett		F 195	6-04-26	6			Botswana		
	998	Jayne	Harrison		F 196	2-08-16	3			Guernsey		
	999	Oliver	Holmes		M 195	7-01-10	)			Canada		
		current_cou	intry p	ohone_	number	post	code	national	_insuı	rance_numbe	r \	
	0	United Kin	igdom (07	7700)	900876	LS5	8FN		$Z_2$	Z 19 48 92	T	
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[25]: # remove columns that contain sensitive info or non-informative info
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       →'blood_group', 'banded_weekly_avg_drinks', 'banded_weekly_avg_cigret',
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[26]: # calculate k anonymity
      quasi_identifiers = ['gender', 'banded_age'] # can be used to identify unique_
        \rightarrow individuals
      data_k_anon = cleaned_data.groupby(quasi_identifiers,
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as_index=False,
observed=True).size()
print(data_k_anon['size'].min()) # 15
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# **Section 5: Export Data**

- Ensure data is zipped and password protected
- Store data as read-only csv stored in a password-protected zip file, with the encrypted hash password stored in a separate textfile

## 5.1 Zip Keys Directory

Zip folder containing the three key-value tables referencing pseudoanonymised data

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[27]: shutil.make_archive('keys', 'zip', 'keys')
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[27]: '/Users/divyashridar/Documents/Imperial College London/(1) term 1/(4) clinical data management/assignments/Coursework 2/keys.zip'

# 5.2 Zip Anonymised Data

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[28]: # generate password to protect .zip
      import secrets
      import string
      alphabet = string.ascii_letters + string.digits
      password = ''.join(secrets.choice(alphabet) for i in range(20)) # for a__
       \rightarrow 20-character password
      password
      # save generated passsword
          #open text file
      text_file = open("wanderlust.txt", "w")
          #write string to file
      text_file.write(password)
          #close file
      text_file.close()
      # make csv read-only
      cleaned_data.to_csv('cleaned_data.csv', index=True)
      os.chmod('cleaned_data.csv', stat.S_IREAD|stat.S_IRGRP|stat.S_IROTH)
      # zip csv file
      pyminizip.compress('cleaned_data.csv', None, 'data.zip', password, 5)
      # remove csv so only zip remains
      os.remove('cleaned_data.csv')
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