Differential Privacy

Differential Privacy: A Survey of Results

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Overview

1. Privacy attack and protection

2. Differential Privacy

Privacy Attack

Linkage(differencing) attack

- Attack on obtaining information about a particular individual by aggregating multiple auxiliary information about a particular individual.
- If you add a lot of naive queries, privacy can be attacked.



Solution for privacy attack

There are lots of solutions to prevent privacy attack,

- k-anonimity
 - Def. Manipulate the data so that the number of elements corresponding to the query response is not one.
- PROB. Risk varies depending on the auxiliary information, and there is always an auxiliary info that can obtain information through k-anonymity.
- Not answering

Def. If there is only one element in a query's response, do not respond.

PROB. It is equivalent to admitting that the query is related to critical information PROB. computational problem.

Solution for privacy attack(Cont'd)

Better solution than existing cryptosystem.

- 1. Synthetic data
- 2. Homomorphic Encryption (HE)
- 3. Differential Privacy (DP)

DP Definition

Differencial Privacy (DP)

- A concept that prevents advertisers from finding information about a particular element through queries when there are multiple elements in the DB.
- DP is a definition not an algorithm!



DP Motivation

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 Regardless of background(auxiliary) information, there is a risk as much as *ε*, and the rest is protected. Now, it is possible to define a mathematical and clear standard for the level of privacy protection.

DP Advantages

- Ensure privacy against any threat
- Numericalize privacy loss
- Once DP is guaranteed, it is guaranteed through any post-processing.

How does DP work?



How does DP work?

- Add noise to the true value and assumed to be a real response.
- Ensure that the query's response value does not change significantly as a particular element is included in the DB. Avoid inference for specific elements.

Little change in DB \rightarrow A big difference in results \rightarrow Stability issues



DP Framework

Definition 1. Randomized Algorithm.

M: randomized algorithm

On input $a \in A$, the algorithm M outputs M(a) = b with probability $(M(a))_b$ for each $b \in B$.

Definition 2.*e*-Differential Privacy. for all $S \in Range(M)$, $||d_1 - d_2||_1 \le 1$:

$$\frac{P[M(D1) \in S]}{P[M(D2) \in S]} \leq e^{\epsilon}$$

M can be average, sum, ML, count, \cdots . ϵ can be 0.01, 0.1, ln2, \cdots , $e^{0.01} \approx 1.01$.

DP Framework

Sensitivity type in ϵ -Differential Privacy

• Global Sensitivity

Maximum value of change due to insertion or deletion of a particular individual

$$\Delta f = max_{D1,D2}||M(D1) - M(D2)||_1$$

Vulnerable to Outlier and likely to degrade overall performance

• Local Sensitivity

$$\Delta f = max_{D1}||M(D1) - M(D2)||_1$$

DP Framework(Cont'd)

Definition 3. (ϵ , δ) Differential Privacy.

 $P[M(D1) \in S] \leq e^{\epsilon} P[M(D2) \in S] + \delta.$

Definition 4. ($k\epsilon$, 0) Differential Privacy. $||d_1 - d_2||_1 \le k$:

$$P[M(D1) \in S] \leq e^{k\epsilon} P[M(D2) \in S]$$

If δ gets smaller, credible gets bigger.

DP Framework(Cont'd)



Mechanism to add noise

For ϵ -Differential Privacy,

• Laplace mechanism

$$L(D) = f(D) + Z, Z \sim Lap(0, b), where P(Z|\mu, b) = rac{1}{2b}e^{-rac{|z-\mu|}{b}}$$

z is proportional to $e^{-\epsilon |z|/\Delta f}$ and $b = \Delta f/\epsilon$. It is not applicable to categorical data.

• Exponential mechanism

It is applicable to categorical data, but takes much longer time.

• Geometric mechanism

Discrete variant for laplace mechanism.

data type

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• histogram query



• Partitioning

Find optimal subdivision. e.g., Tree base

Composibility

More queries result in additional information disclosure, so it is managed with a privacy budget. Budget is determined by the number of queries and ϵ .

• Sequential composition

Satisfy $\sum_{i} \epsilon_i$ -differential privacy for successive queries

• Parallel composition

Satisfy Max ϵ_i -differential privacy if a continuous query occurs to disjoint domain Di.

Application

• Data mining and ML



• Biometrics



DP Future work(Cont'd)

- Side channel attack
- How much noise?
- Utility?
- Cost?

Side channel attack

Side channel attack type

- Timing attack
- State attack
- Privacy budget attack



DP Future work(Cont'd)

How much noise?

- 1. We cannot tell.
- 2. We can consider sensitivity.

Sensitivity: if output changes a lot, it needs to set a lot of noise to make DB indistinguishable.

DP Future work(cont'd)

Utility?

- 1. Data has to be huge (e.g., census)
- 2. Give incentive(ϵ) almost 10.
- 3. Not directly using data, utility loss occured.

Cost?

- 1. For each data, needed to make DP framework.
- 2. Needs expert to make framework.
- 3. To fix this problem, use correlated sensitivity has proposed.

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1. Demonstration application achieves two goals: privacy and data availability



The End