Privacy in Healthcare: Introduction

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Who are we?

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Organization

Modules

- Lecture part of modules
  - *39-Inf-BDS Biomedical Data Science for Modern Healthcare Technology* (graded, "benotete Prüfungsleistung")
    - See here `https://ekvv.uni-bielefeld.de/sinfo/publ/modul/308594662`

Presentation, Reports, Papers

- Presentations:
  - Individual presentations
  - To last for approx. 30 minutes, followed by discussion
  - Present contents of scientific paper
- Reports:
  - Reports summarize contents of paper
  - Reports 8-12 pages
- Papers:
  - Papers: some already available, list will be completed
  - Papers available via Wiki:
    `https://gds.techfak.uni-bielefeld.de/teaching/2023summer/privacy`

Schedule

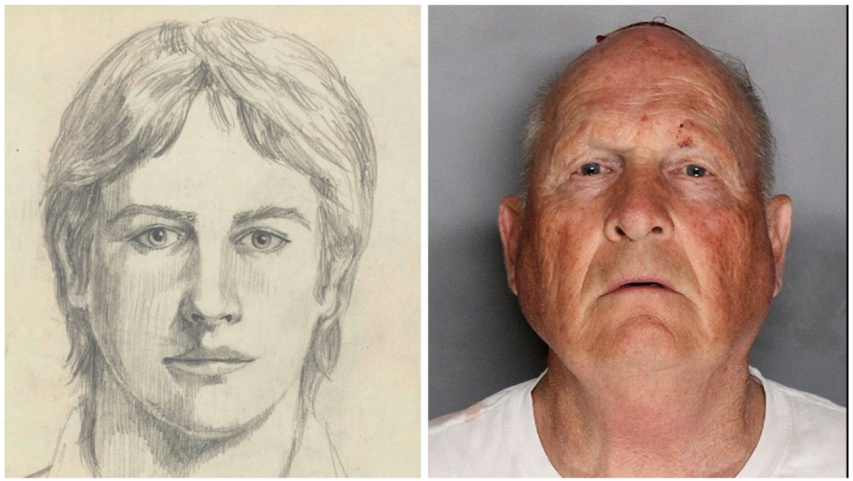
- Organization and introduction: *today*
- How to present (brief): *Apr 18* (online)
- How to write (brief): *Apr 25* (hybrid)

Schedule II

- **Presentations:** *from May 16* (earlier possible if desired)
  - Up to two presentations per week
  - Block seminar day possible as well (yet TBD)
- **Technical Report:** *after presentation:*
  - Each report 8-12 pages
  - Optimally, report profits from feedback provided after presentation
  - Drafts can be submitted for discussion
  - Improving drafts based on feedback
  - *Submission deadline: July 31*

Privacy in Healthcare: Overview

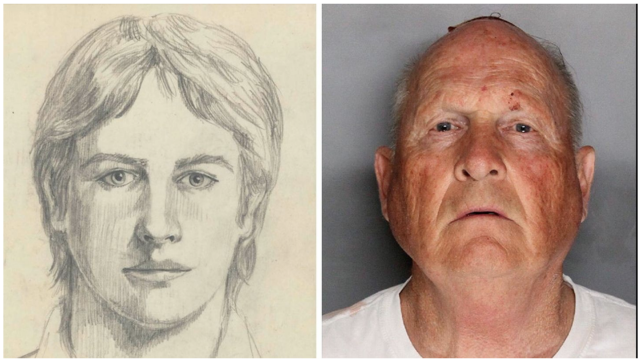
Example: Long Range Familial Searches



From www.stern.de

- Investigators uploaded crime scene sample to GEDmatch
  - GEDmatch contains 1 million DNA profiles
- GEDmatch search identified a third-degree cousin
- Genealogical search identified the perpetrator

Exemplary Issues



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- *Access control:*
  - Who has permission to run database searches?
  - How to organize access control?
- *Multiparty computation:*
  - Several parties share data to run computations
  - Each party's data should stay private
  - Everyone can use data to get anonymous summaries

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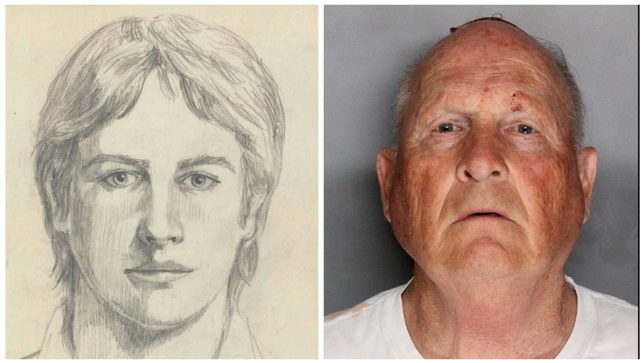

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- *Homomorphic encryption:*
  - Encrypt data such that computations on encrypted data is possible
- *Differential privacy frameworks:*
  - Individual data should make no difference during analysis

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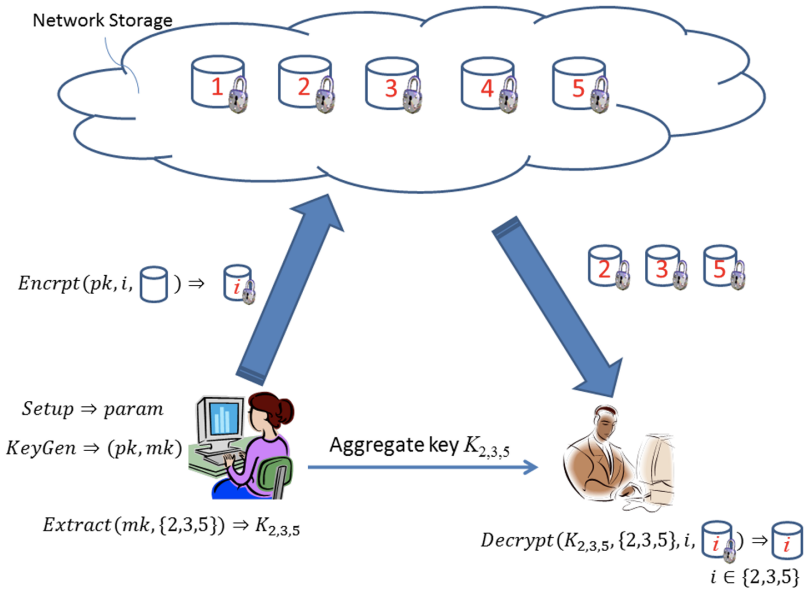

From [Chu et al., 2014]

- *Key aggregate cryptography:*
  - "Master" distributes key to potential users

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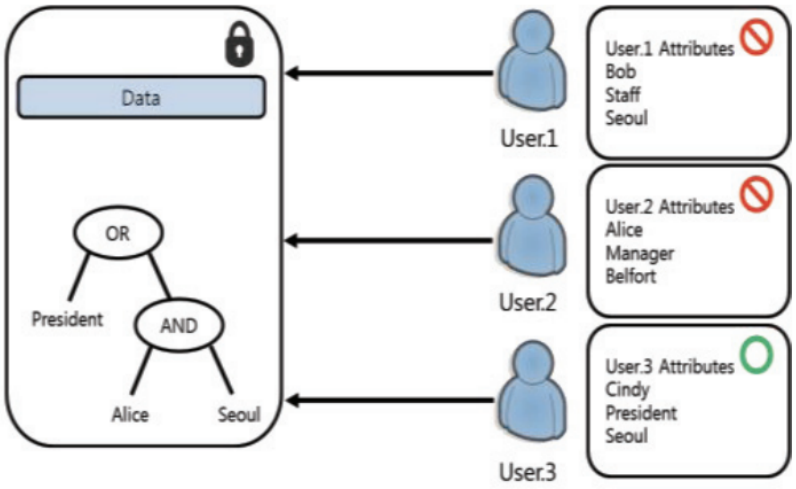

From [Lee et al., 2015]

- *Attribute based access control:*
  - Keys depend on data characteristics

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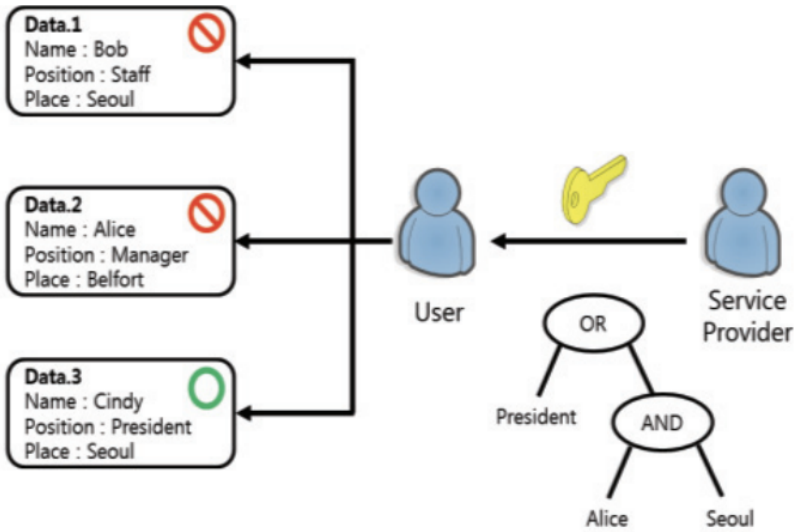

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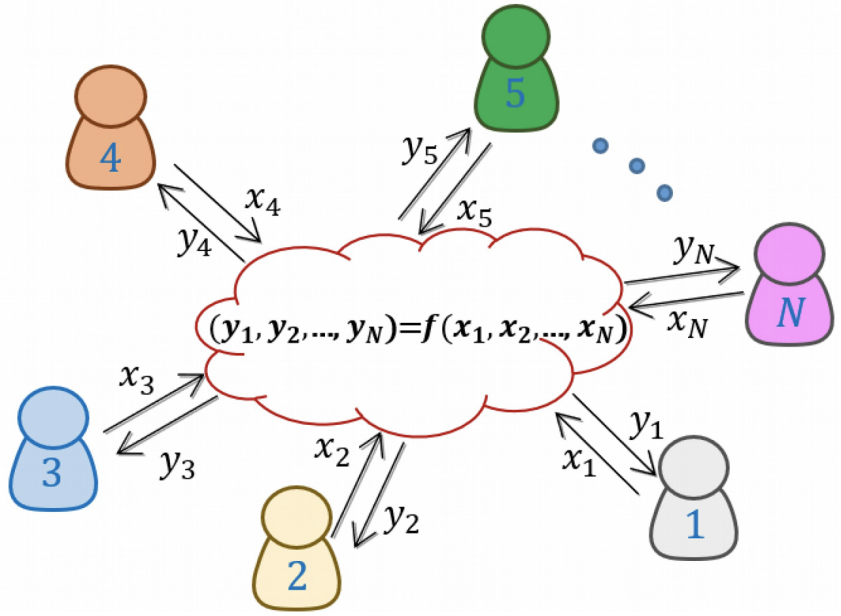
- *Role based access control:*
  - Keys depend on user properties

Multiparty Computation

Multiparty Computation I



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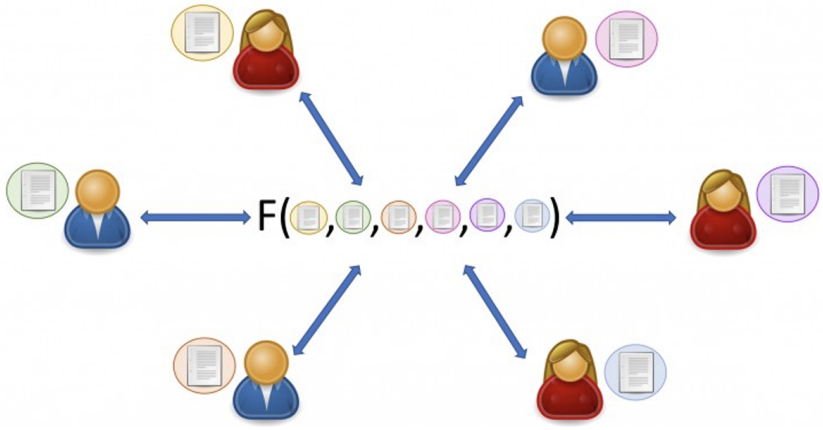
- *Multiparty computation principle:*
  - N parties provide data $x_1, \ldots, x_N$
  - Values $y_1, \ldots, y_N$ are computed
  - User providing x_i receives y_i (only)

Multiparty Computation II



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- *Multiparty computation healthcare:*
  - Patients / doctors provide individual records
  - Individual analysis based on all records
  - Patients / doctors receive individual analysis results

Homomorphic Encryption

Homomorphic Encryption I

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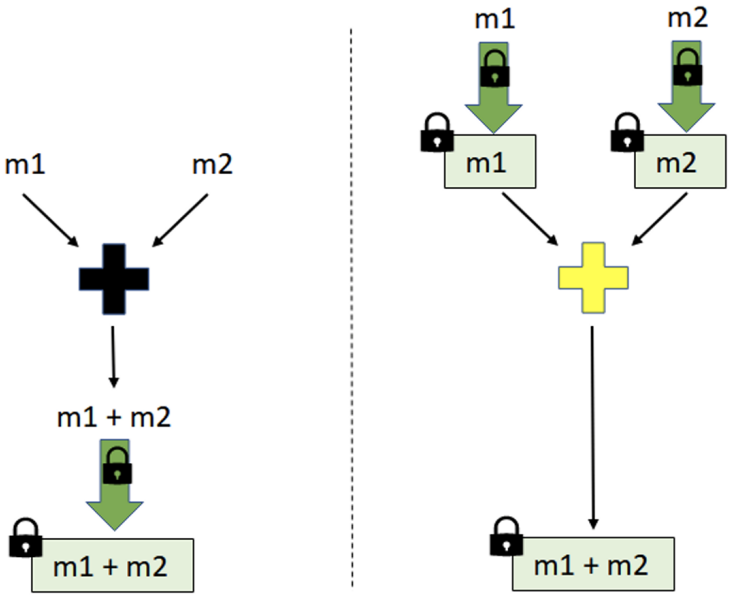
- *Homomorphic encryption motivation:*
  - Important operations still possible after encryption
  - Decrypting data unnecessary
  - Allows users to carry out queries anonymously

Homomorphic Encryption II



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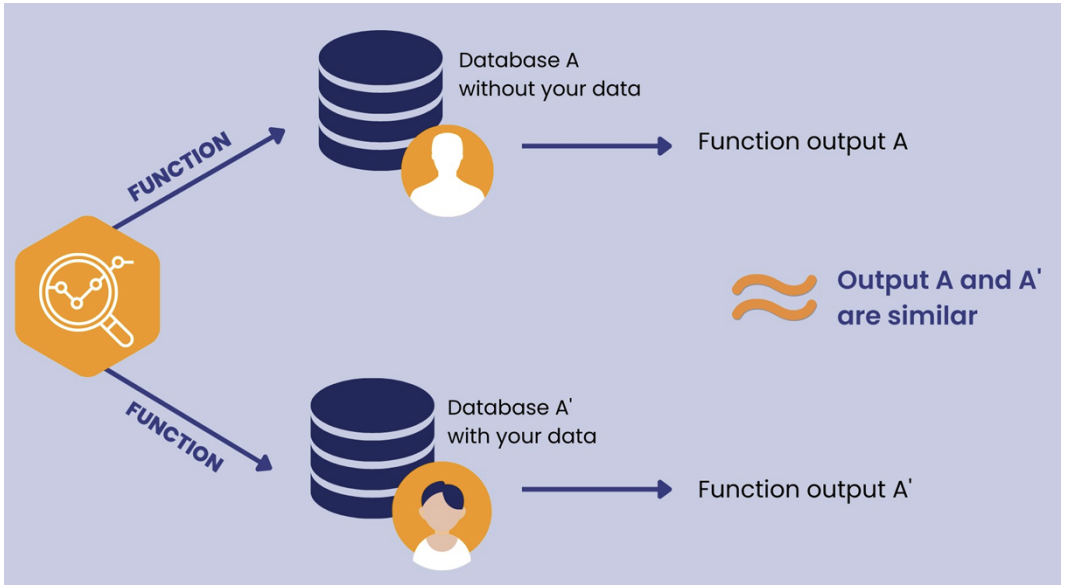
- *Homomorphic encryption principle:*
  - Encryption and queries are mathematical operations
  - Exchanging these operations should lead to same results

Differential Privacy

Differential Privacy I



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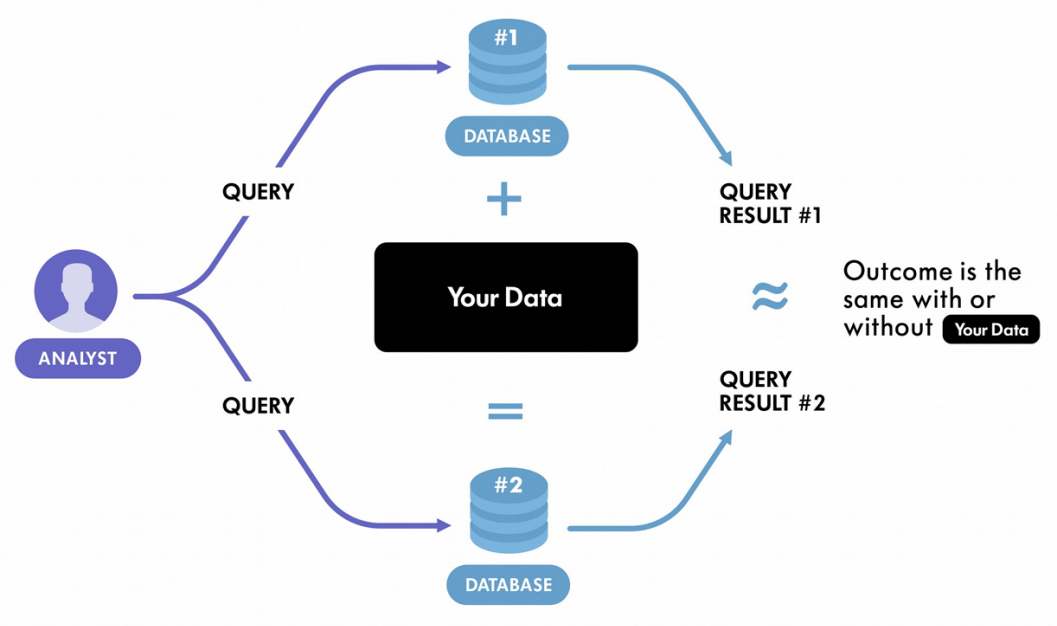
- *Differential privacy principle:*
  - Database A contains individual data, Database A′ does not
  - Running function returns same result on A and A′
  - *Individual data* makes no difference, so remains *unidentifiable*

Differential Privacy II



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- *Differential privacy practice:*
  - Analyst runs (specially tailored) query on database with and without individual records
  - Outcomes do not differ: individual records remain anonymous

Thanks for your attention!