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SLOT: C2

Programme Name & Branch :B.Tech(CSE)
Course Code and Course Name :BCSE318L
Faculty Name(s) :Common to ALL C2_slots
Class Number(s) : VL2024250506630, VL2024250501609 VL2024250501588,
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: VL2024250501569
Date of Examination :29_01_2025, 2.00pm to 3.30pm
Exam Duration :90 minutes **Maximum Marks: 50**

General instruction(s):

- Answer All Questions

Q. No	Question	M	CO	BL
1.	What is your understanding of data privacy, and why is it important in today's world? Discuss the Data privacy ECO-system. Key: Data privacy refers to the right of individuals to control how their personal information is collected, used, shared, and stored. important in today world: Rise of Digital Interactions, Prevention of Identity Theft, Compliance with Regulations, Trust in Technology and Ethical Responsibility, Data privacy ecosystem <pre> graph TD subgraph "DATA PRIVACY ECOSYSTEM" R["REGULATIONS [WHY] GDPR, CCPA, ePrivacy, HIPAA, etc."] --> DP["DATA POLICY [HOW] Data Standards, Stewardship, etc."] DP --> DC["AT DATA CAPTURE [WHERE]"] DP --> DS["AT DATA STORAGE & DATA USAGE [WHERE]"] subgraph DC_Box [AT DATA CAPTURE [WHERE]] DM["Data Minimization Capture only what's necessary"] CM["Consent Management • Permissions (Opt-In, Opt-Out) • Channel Preferences"] end subgraph DS_Box [AT DATA STORAGE & DATA USAGE [WHERE]] subgraph DSU [Data Sensitivity/PII] DSD["1. Detect / Discover 2. Flag / Classify / Label 3. Mask / Pseudonymize"] end DR["Data Retention Retain data as long as it's needed"] end end </pre>	10	CO1	BL2
2.	A bank is preparing to share its financial transactions dataset with external analysts to study spending patterns and improve fraud detection algorithms. However, since the dataset contains sensitive information (e.g., transaction id, amounts, customer details, and geolocations etc.), it is critical to ensure privacy protection through Statistical Disclosure Control (SDC) techniques. Identify the different stages SDC approaches, and infer the specific inputs and outputs associated with each stage on above scenario. Key: 1. Why is confidentiality protection needed? 2. What are the key characteristics and use of the data? 3. Disclosure risk definition and assessment.	10	CO1	BL2



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3.	a. Calculate the global risk level for the micro data given below: (5 marks) <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>ID</th><th>Age</th><th>Gender</th><th>Zip Code</th><th>Salary</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td><td>25</td><td>Male</td><td>12345</td><td>50,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>40</td><td>Female</td><td>12345</td><td>70,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>40</td><td>Female</td><td>12346</td><td>70,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>25</td><td>Male</td><td>12346</td><td>50,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>5</td><td>35</td><td>Female</td><td>12347</td><td>80,000</td></tr> </tbody> </table> b. Convert the above micro data in to indistinguishable using Non-perturbative techniques such as range and suppression on Quasi identifiers.(5 marks) Key: a: Calculate Individual Risk: (5 marks) For each record, the risk is 1/Frequency. For this dataset: - All records have a frequency of 1. - Therefore, the individual risk for all records is 1/1=1.0. Calculate Global Risk Level: The global risk level is the average of the individual risks: Global Risk Level=Sum of Individual Risks/Total Number of Record Global Risk Level=(1.0+1.0+1.0+1.0+1.0)/5=1.0 A global risk level of 1.0 indicates that each record is uniquely identifiable, making this dataset highly vulnerable to re-identification. b: Generalizations on Age and Zip code: (5 marks) Marks can also be awarded if the students use All are "*" in Zip code <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>ID</th><th>Age</th><th>Gender</th><th>Zip Code</th><th>Salary</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td><td>20-30</td><td>Male</td><td>1234*</td><td>50,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>30-50</td><td>Female</td><td>1234*</td><td>70,000</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>30-50</td><td>Female</td><td>1234*</td><td>70,000</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	ID	Age	Gender	Zip Code	Salary	1	25	Male	12345	50,000	2	40	Female	12345	70,000	3	40	Female	12346	70,000	4	25	Male	12346	50,000	5	35	Female	12347	80,000	ID	Age	Gender	Zip Code	Salary	1	20-30	Male	1234*	50,000	2	30-50	Female	1234*	70,000	3	30-50	Female	1234*	70,000	10	CO2	BL3
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	b. Steps to Apply Micro-Aggregation: • Identify the Sensitive Attribute(s): In this dataset, let's consider Age and Treatment_Cost as sensitive attributes. • Determine the Group Size (k): Choose a group size, e.g., k=3. • Sort the Data: Sort the dataset based on the sensitive attributes, in this case Age). • Cluster Records: Divide the sorted dataset into groups of size k. • Aggregate Within Each Group: Replace the values of sensitive attributes within each group with the group's average. 1. Sort the micro data by Age 2. Group the Data (k=3) • Group 1: P2, P5, P3 • Group 2: P1, P4 3. Calculate Group Averages • Group 1 Averages: ◦ Age = $(29 + 33 + 37) / 3 = 33$ ◦ Treatment_Cost = $(2000 + 1200 + 1800) / 3 = 1667$ • Group 2 Averages: ◦ Age = $(45 + 50) / 2 = 47.5 = (47)$ ◦ Treatment_Cost = $(1500 + 2500) / 2 = 2000$ 4. Replace Values with Group Averages: <table><tr><th>Pat_ID</th><th>Age</th><th>Gender</th><th>Diagnosis</th><th>Treatment_Cost</th><th>Visit_Date</th></tr><tr><td>P2</td><td>33</td><td>Male</td><td>Diabetes</td><td>1667</td><td>12/01/24</td></tr><tr><td>P5</td><td>33</td><td>Female</td><td>Hyper-tension</td><td>1667</td><td>17/01/24</td></tr><tr><td>P3</td><td>33</td><td>Male</td><td>Asthma</td><td>1677</td><td>14/01/24</td></tr><tr><td>P1</td><td>47</td><td>Female</td><td>Heart Disease</td><td>2000</td><td>10/01/24</td></tr><tr><td>P4</td><td>47</td><td>Male</td><td>Migraine</td><td>2000</td><td>15/01/24</td></tr></table>						Pat_ID	Age	Gender	Diagnosis	Treatment_Cost	Visit_Date	P2	33	Male	Diabetes	1667	12/01/24	P5	33	Female	Hyper-tension	1667	17/01/24	P3	33	Male	Asthma	1677	14/01/24	P1	47	Female	Heart Disease	2000	10/01/24	P4	47	Male	Migraine	2000	15/01/24			
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	the data to remain accurate enough for researchers to find meaningful insights. How can a healthcare organization share patient data with researchers in a way that protects privacy while keeping the information accurate enough for valuable analysis? Key: Healthcare organizations can balance privacy and utility by applying anonymization, synthetic data, secure access, data minimization, obtaining consent, conducting risk assessments, and complying with privacy regulations. Key points alone mentioned above, further details are required from the students:			
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