# Lessons Learned in Communicating Differential Privacy to Data Subjects

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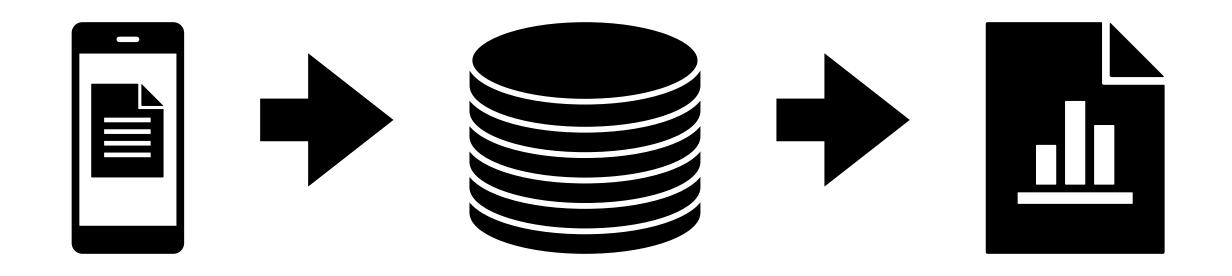
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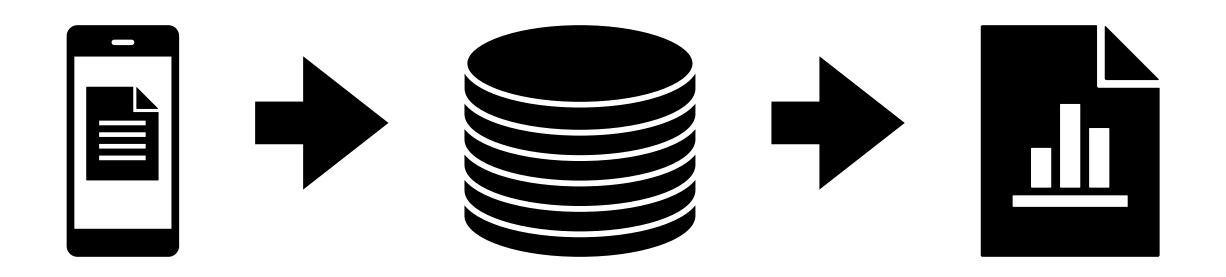
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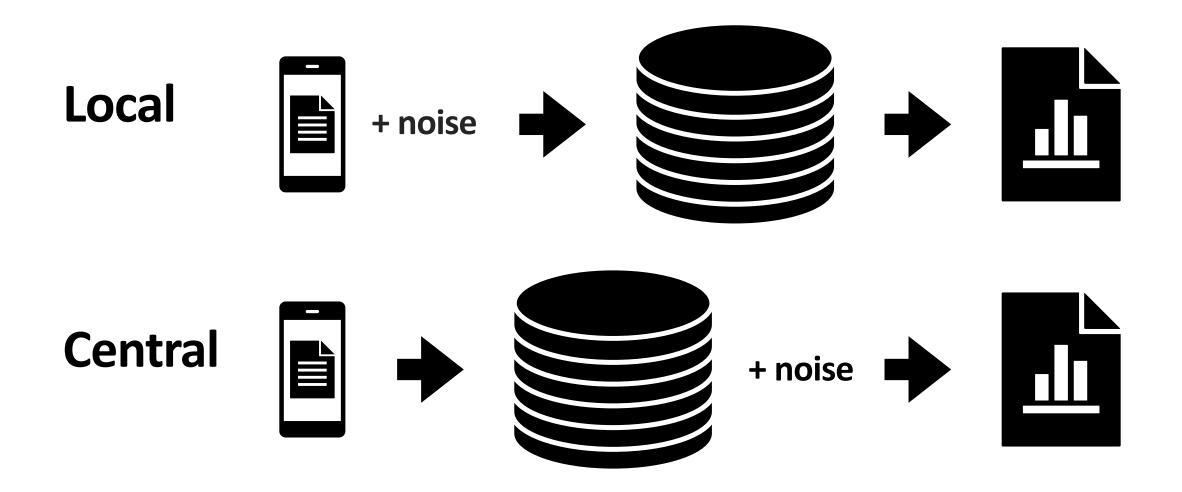
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## + noise!



### **Differential Privacy**



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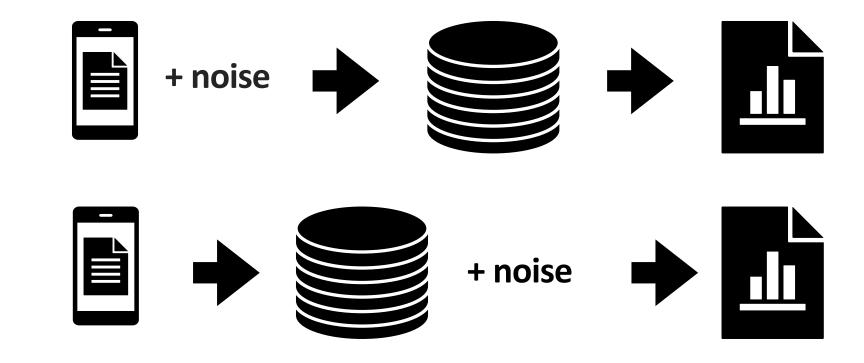
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less noise

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- **Epsilon** ← Priyanka Nanayakkara will be presenting on this work at USENIX Security on Wednesday!

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Even though I would worry about the consequences, I hope that this might be an opportunity for my boss to reflect on why I don't feel supported. It might help start a conversation.

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- >A good explanation may in some cases decrease data sharing.