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**Corpus preparation**

The UCL repository is a website which contain huge selection of datasets for machine learning tasks. Adult data set was selected form UCL repository and this dataset contain 48842 data records and 15 attributes and indicate that given person Census Income is more than 50K or not.

Data cleaning was one of the pre-processing steps that was carried out. A few of the steps included removing outliers, rejecting duplicate values, and looking for and removing null values.

Random Forest and Naïve Bayes are the algorithms that used for classify weather the salary exceeds 50K or not. After cleaning and preprocessing phase 70% of data is used for training while remaining amount used for testing purposes.

**Preprocessing techniques**

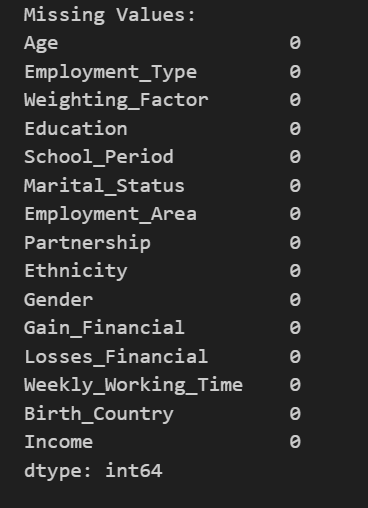
The preprocessing stage is crucial to the refinement of unprocessed data for machine learning models. To guarantee data quality and compatibility, they include activities like data cleansing, scaling, and encoding. By simplifying and emphasizing pertinent data, feature selection and dimensionality reduction expedite the training of models. Text preprocessing transforms textual data into numerical representations in order to make it ready for analysis. Class distribution biases are addressed via methods for handling unbalanced data, and efficient model evaluation is facilitated by data partitioning. These methods work together to provide the foundation for data preprocessing, which makes it possible to create reliable and accurate machine learning models.

**Data Cleaning**

The process of finding and fixing mistakes, inconsistencies, and inaccuracies in a dataset such that it is reliable and of high quality for analysis or modelling is known as data cleaning. This includes dealing with duplicate or missing values, fixing mistakes in data entry, eliminating outliers, and standardizing formats, among other things. Through the resolution of these problems, data cleaning increases the dataset's integrity, lowers the possibility of inaccurate or biased outcomes, and boosts the efficiency of ensuing data analysis or machine learning operations.

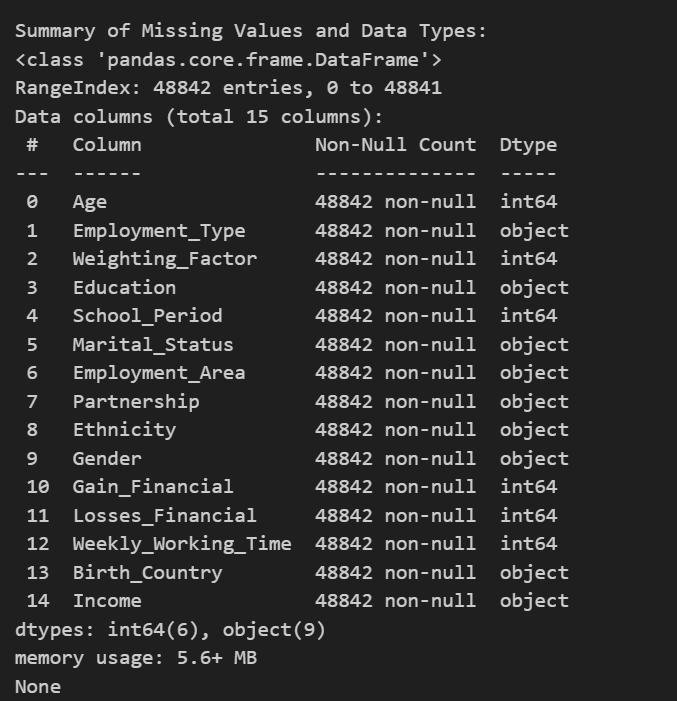
Checking missing values



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Checking for missing values

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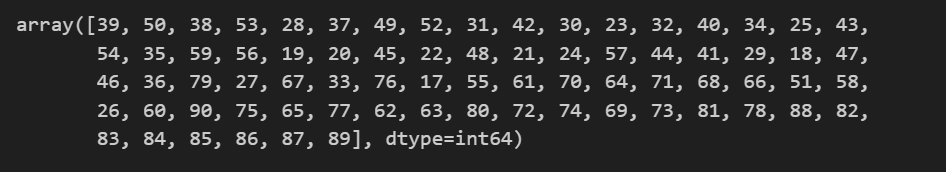
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Dropping duplicate values

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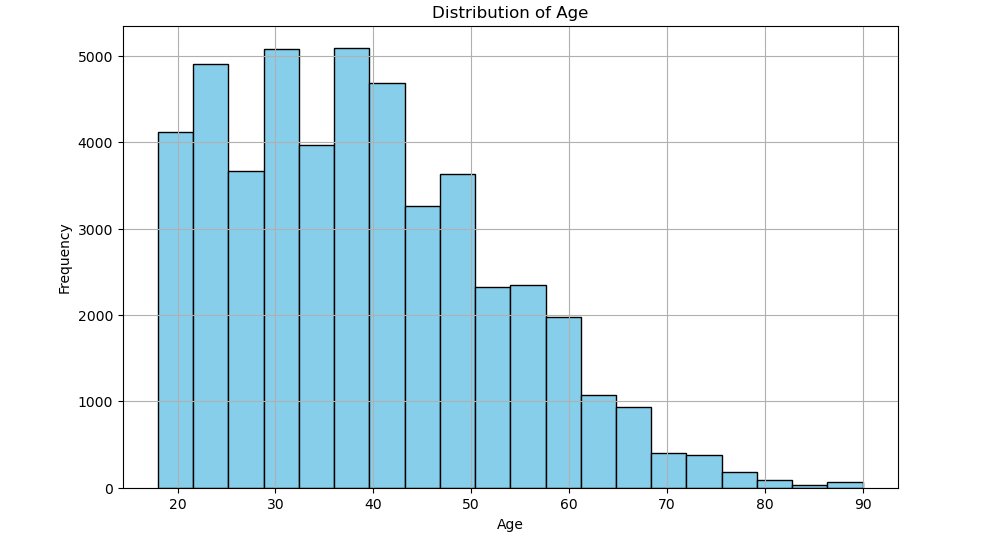
Handling age Variable





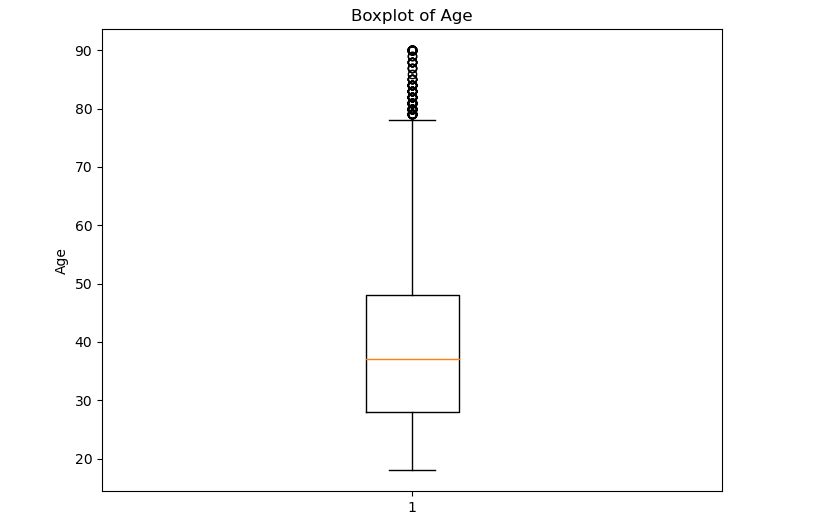
Visualizing age variable before handling outliers. Needed to check how the data is distributed with the age and having idea on data distribution is very important in handling outlie





Made the boxplot using IQR method to handle outliers





Calculated number of outliers to take the most appropriate decision to handle outliers



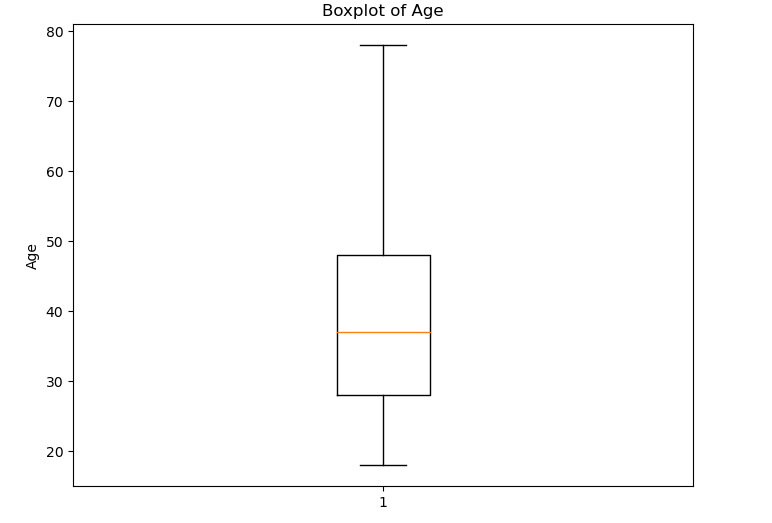
Number of outliers



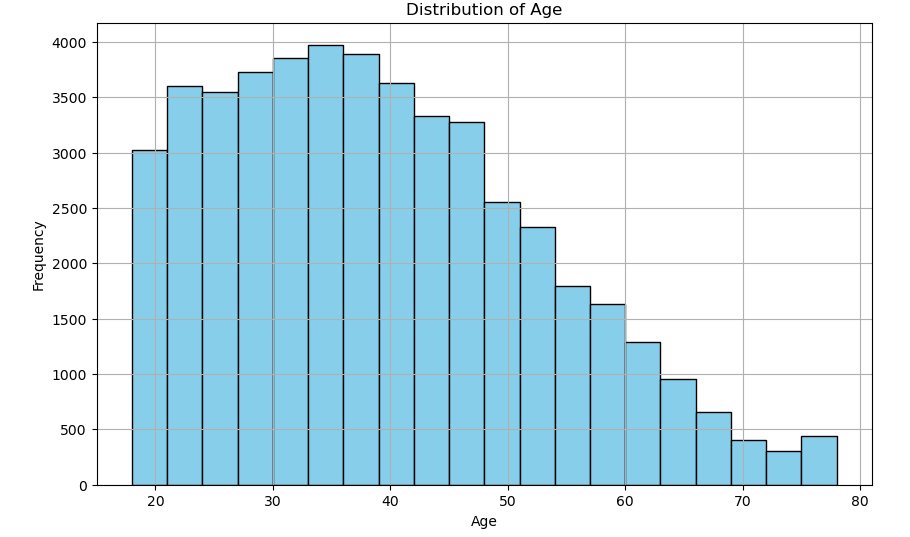
noticed that number of outliers are a little amount when comparing with whole dataset and then decided to winzorize it to lower and upper bound of the boxplot



Visualization of boxplot after handling outliers



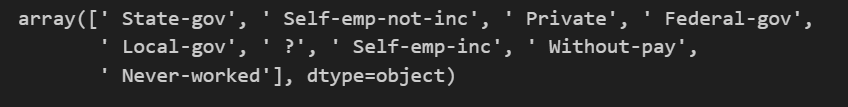
Distribution of age variable after handling the outliers



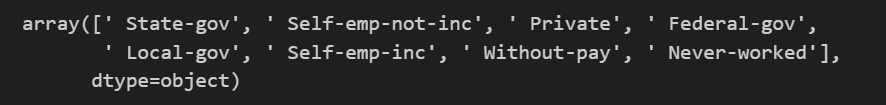
Handling employment type Variable

Found some data inconsistencies and removed those inconsistencies





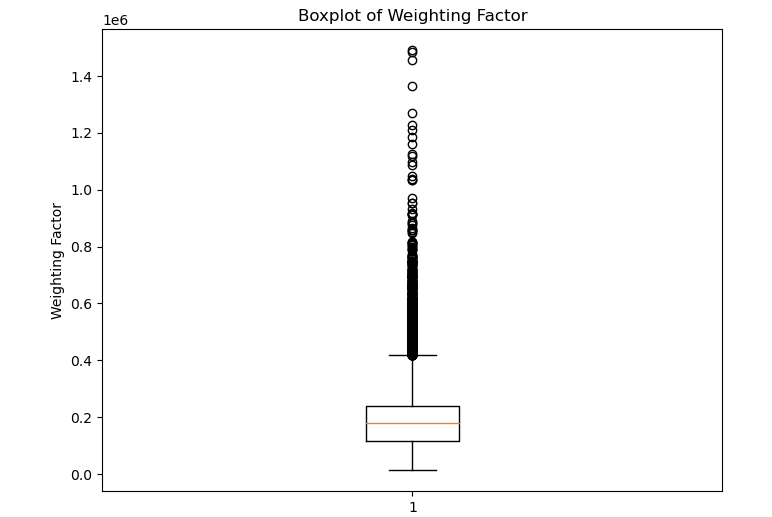
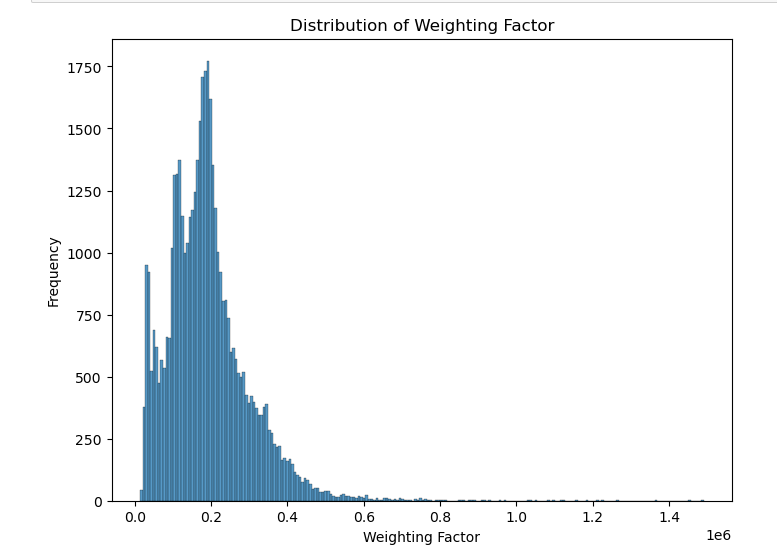
After handling missing inconsistencies



Handling weighting factor Variable

In this variable we cannot find proper description on meta data. But visualized the distribution of data and made the boxplot of outliers.

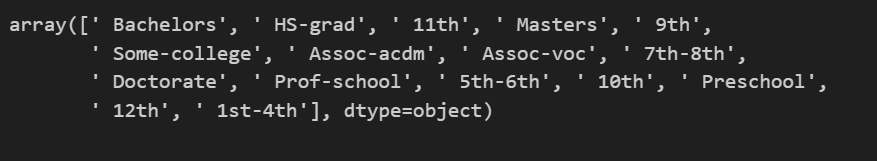




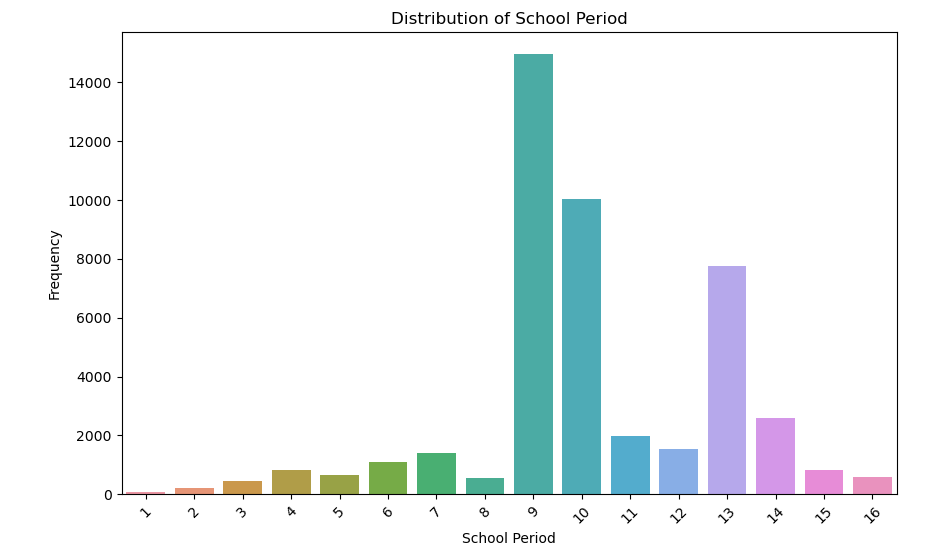
Handling Education and School period variables

Visualized and made a self-inspection on Education and School period and no problems.





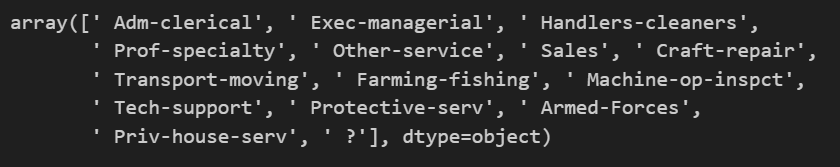




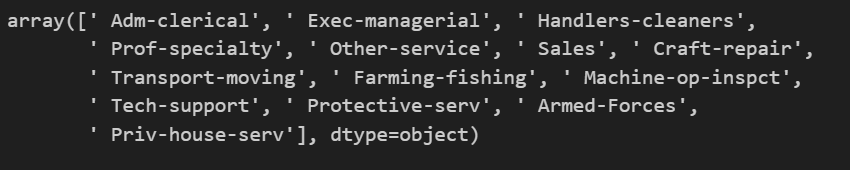
Handling Employment area column



Before handling data inconsistencies

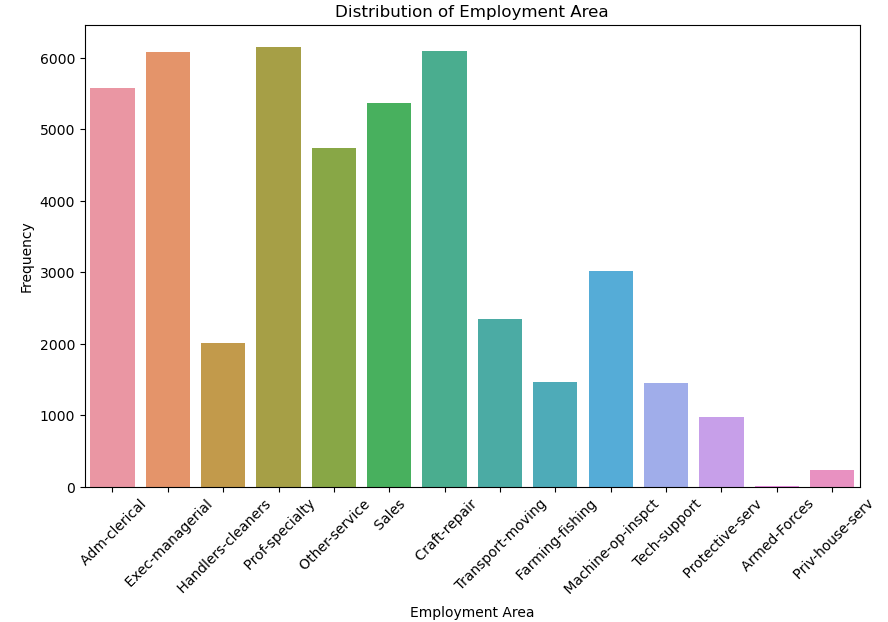


After handling data inconsistencies



Distribution of the data in Employment area

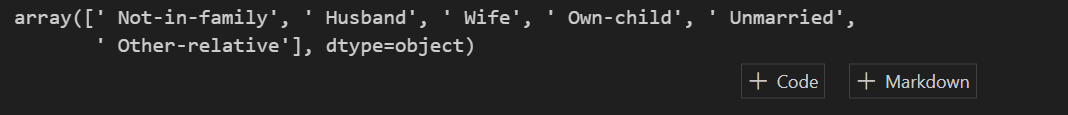


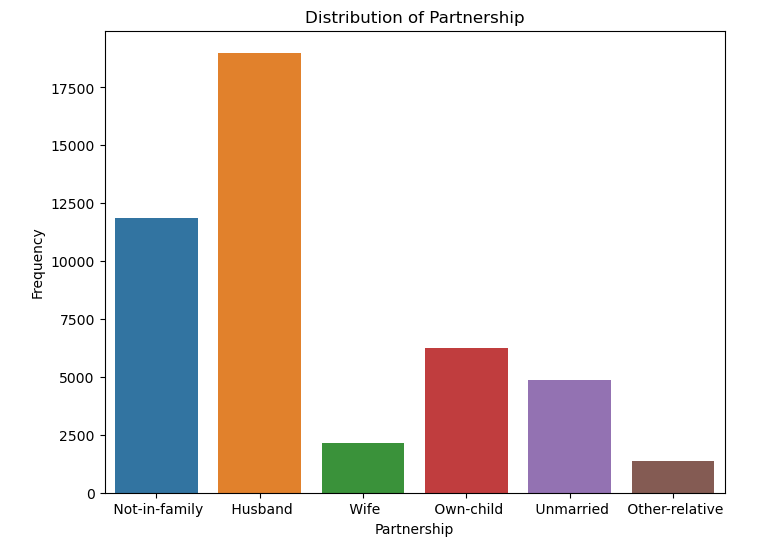


Handling partnership variable

There are no missing or data inconsistencies in this variable but visualized the distribution of data and unique values.



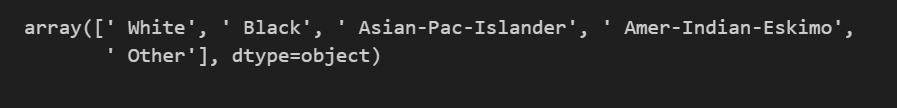




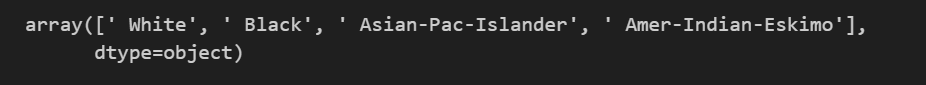
Handling Ethnicity variable



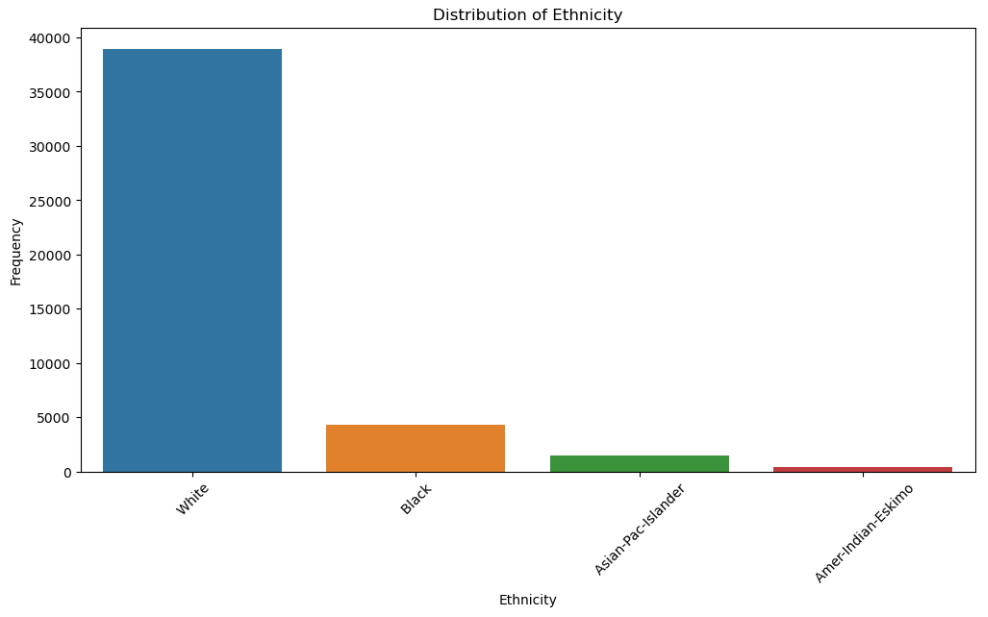
Before handling



After handling



Distribution of data

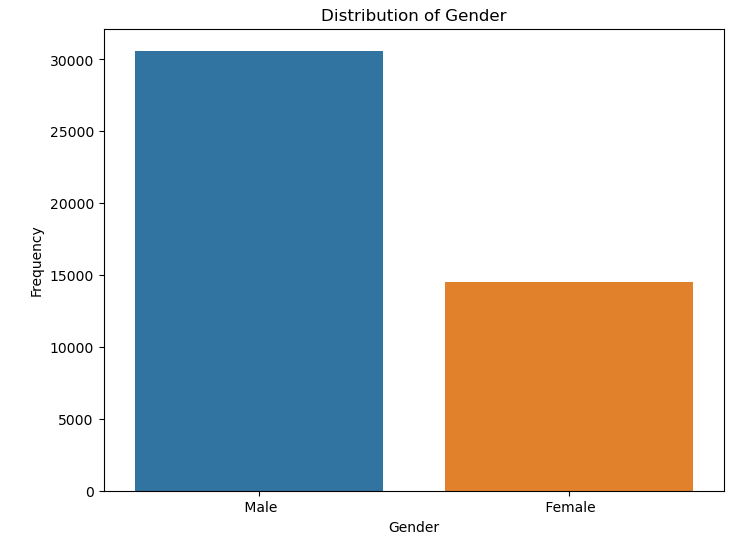


Handling Gender variable



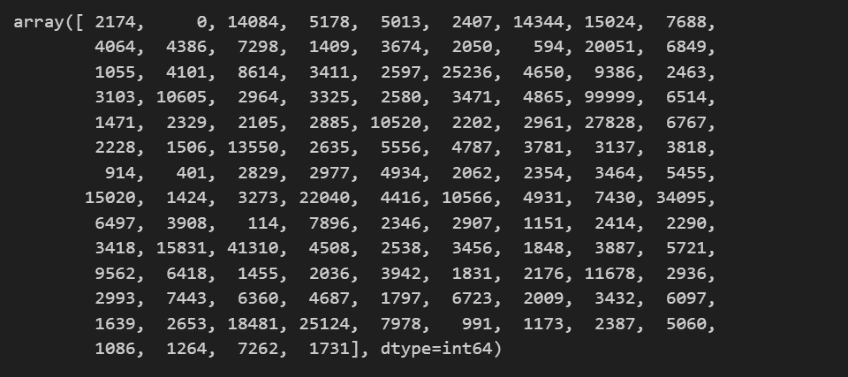


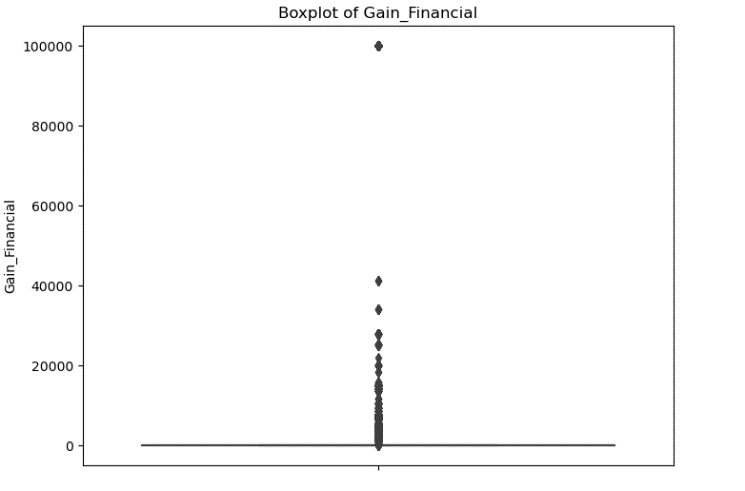
Distribution

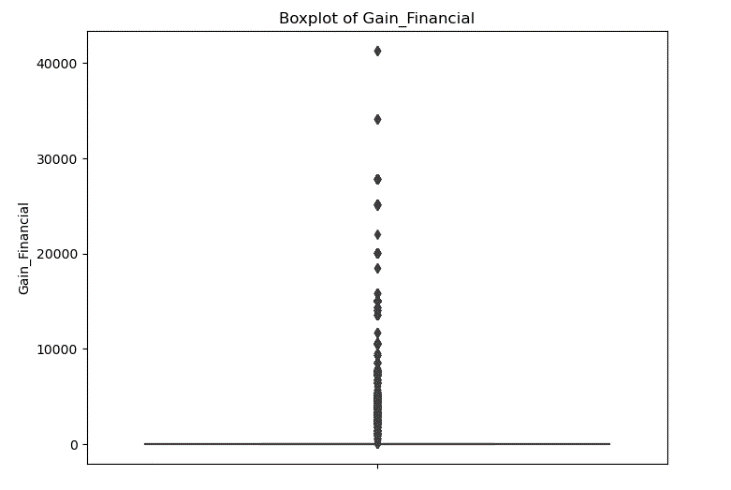


Handling Gain financial variable









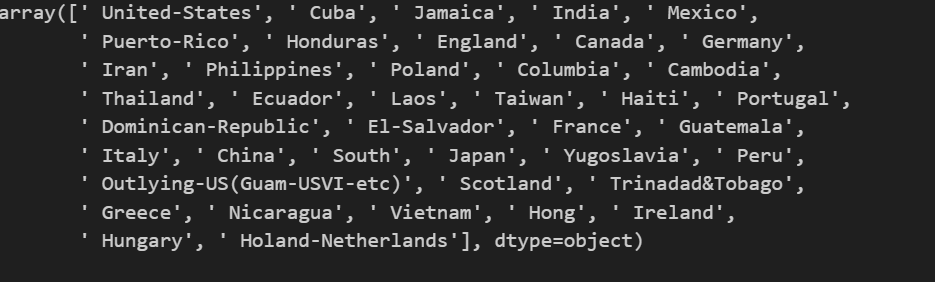
Handling Birth Country variable

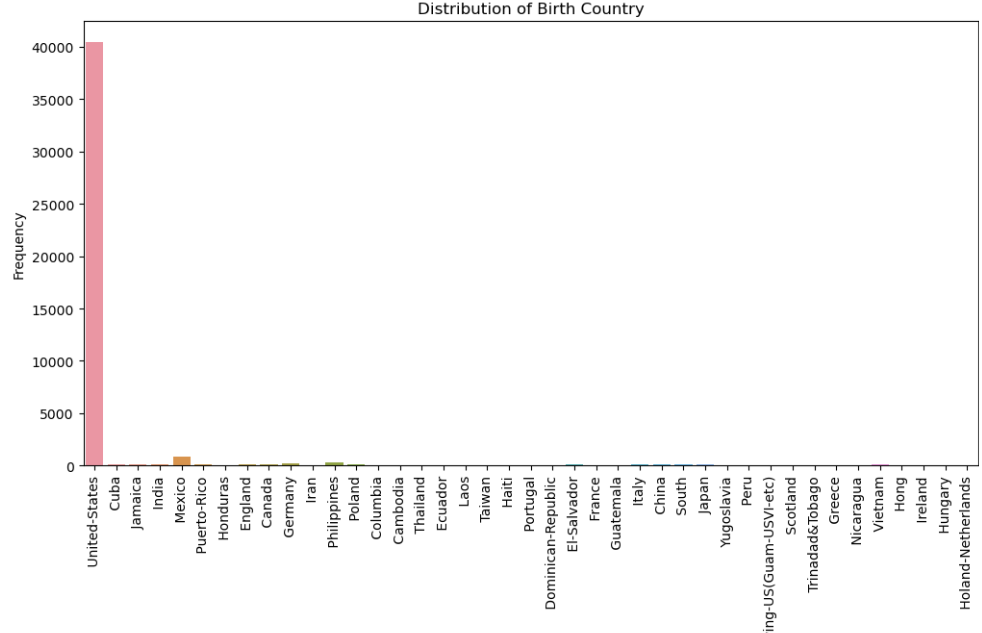


Before handling missing values



After handling missing values



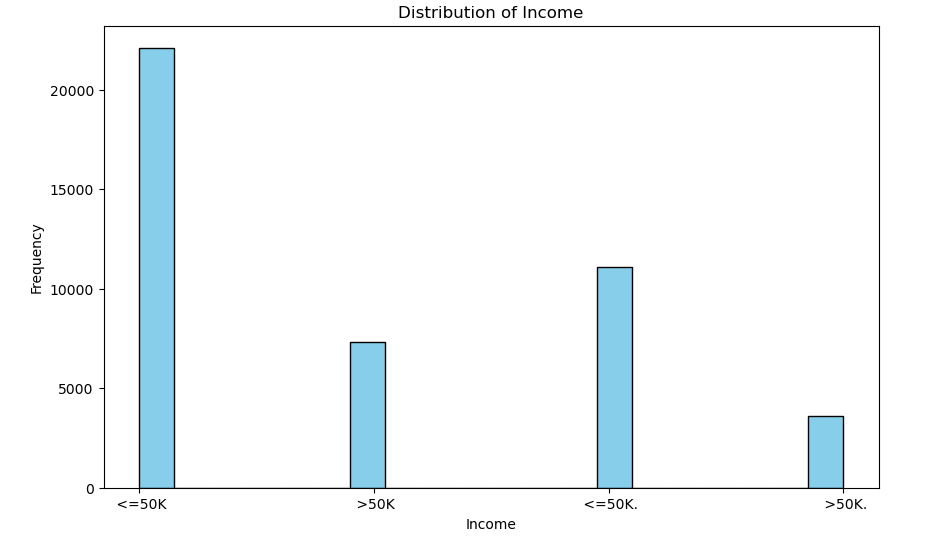


Handling Income Column

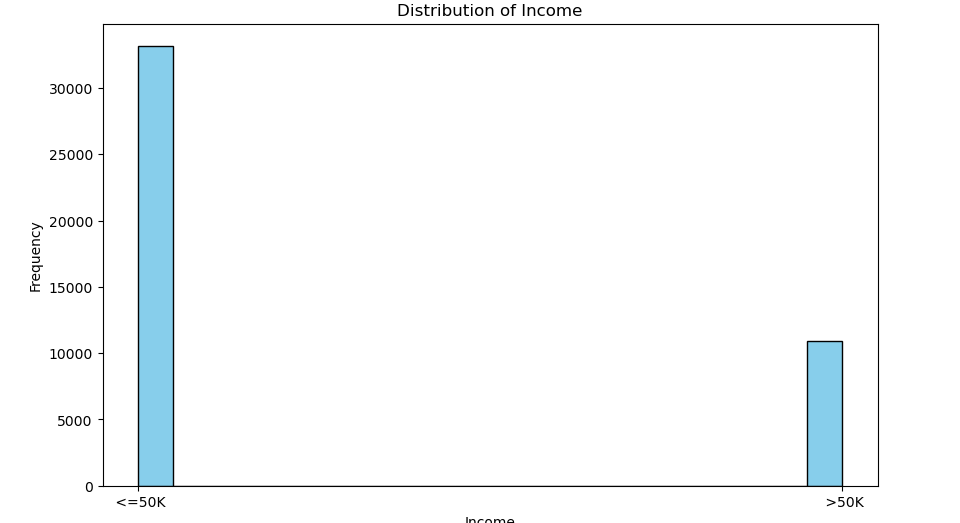




Before handling inconsistencies



After handling inconsistencies



**Solution methodology**

Random forest and Naïve Bayes algorithms are used for classify salary. Summery of two algorithms that used were given below.

**Random forest** - This is a popular and adaptable ensemble learning technique for tasks involving regression and classification. It's a decision tree extension in which several decision trees are trained using various training data subsets and then combined to provide predictions.

* Multiple subsets are created by bootstrapping, which involves sampling random subsets of the training data with replacement.
* There is a decision tree constructed for every data subset. Nevertheless, a random subset of features is chosen for splitting at each node of the tree rather than all of the features. The trees are better decorated because of this unpredictability.
* To arrive at the final forecast, predictions from individual trees are aggregated by voting (for classification) or averaging (for regression).

Random forests are renowned for their high accuracy, scalability to huge datasets, and resilience against overfitting. When working with multi-feature, high-dimensional data, they are especially useful.

**Naïve Bayes** – This algorithm relies on the premise of predictor independence and is a probabilistic classification method that applies the Bayes theorem.

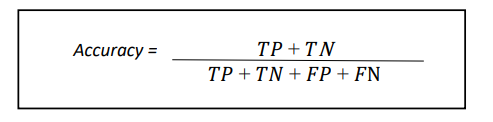
* Using the Bayes theorem, it determines the likelihood of each class given a collection of input features.
* The "naive" assumption of Naive Bayes simplifies probability calculations by assuming that the existence of a given characteristic in a class is independent of the existence of any other feature (i.e., features are analyzed independently).
* The class with the highest probability is then chosen to be the input data's predicted class.

In order to estimate the required parameters, naive Bayes classifiers require very minimal training data and are quick and simple to deploy. However, feature independence may not always hold true, which in some circumstances may result in less than ideal performance.

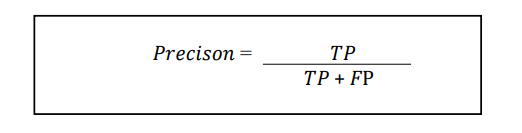
**Evaluation Criteria**

For income prediction use case used accuracy, precision, recall, and F1- scores as evaluation metrices and shown here, along with the explanations for their application.

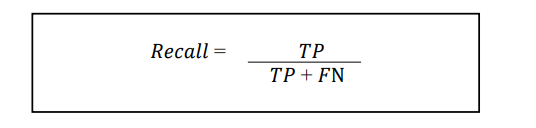
**Accuracy** - measure, which indicates the percentage of correctly predicted occurrences among all instances in a dataset, is used to evaluate the performance of a machine learning model.



**Precision** - metric that evaluates the actual positive forecasts' accuracy



**Recall** - The proportion of cases that were accurately classified.



**F1 Score** - A model accuracy indicator that combines precision and recall into a single number.

