## 1. Explain what problem you are going to solve using this dataset. Provide a brief overview of your problem statement.

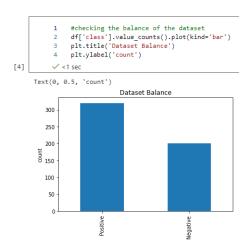
When diabetes is detected early, people can prevent progression and is less costly. If Diabetes goes undiagnosed or diagnosed too late, it can damage your heart, blood vessels, eyes, kidneys, and nerves. In 2018, 34.2 million Americans had diabetes. Of that 34.2 million people, 7.3 million were undiagnosed (https://www.diabetes.org/). To prevent undiagnosed Diabetes or late detection I am going to create an Early-Stage Diabetes classification model using this dataset.

The dataset will be checked for missing values (depending on how many of that specific feature is missing different approaches can be made – taking the average, removing those records and/or using the median value). After cleaning is done then preprocessing will take place. Here I will process the dataset to be a numerical and standardize the dataset if required based on the numerical values. Once that is completed then I will do feature selection to select the best features for the model. Using those selected features, I will train and test the model and use Accuracy as the success metric. The goal is to accurately predict whether someone has diabetes based on their answers to a survey of their symptoms/characteristics.

## 2. Explain your dataset. Explore your dataset and provide at least 5 meaningful charts/graphs with explanation.

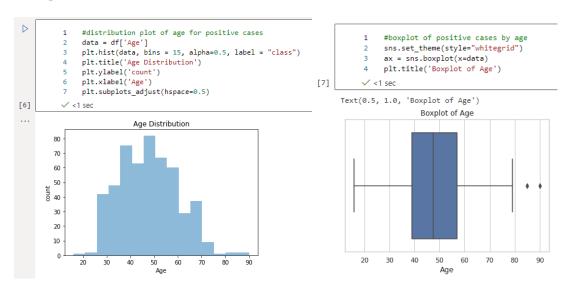
This dataset consists of survey data of people between the ages 16-90, has 17 features (columns) and 520 records (rows). Only one column out of the whole dataset is not binary (Age column). The dataset consists of symptoms/characteristics that surgery respondents either responded with a 'yes' or a 'no' along with their age, gender and whether they do have diabetes or not.

The first graph that was created when exploring the dataset was a bar graph to show the balance of the dataset. By just looking at this graph one can notice that the dataset is unbalanced, there is a significant amount of more positive labelled cases than negative.



The second chart is a pie chart showing the number of people that have diabetes split by gender. When looking at the chart one can notice that there are more female positive cases than men. When extracting information like this from a chart its important to note the percentage of the number of males and females in the study to begin with. The total number of women in the study is 192 and 173 of them being positive meaning 90% of the women in the study have diabetes whereas for the men 147 out of 328 were positive for diabetes (45%).

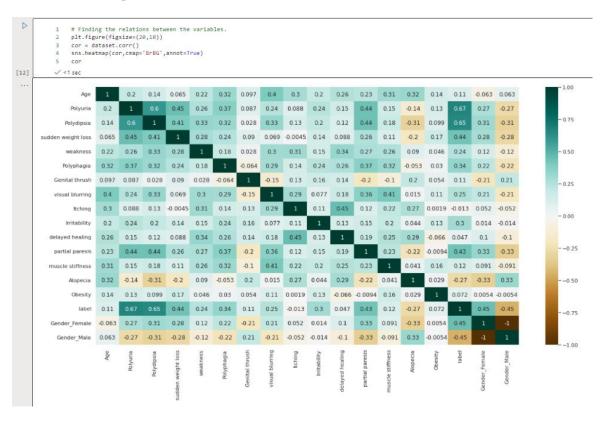
The distribution graph and boxplot use the same data but are presented in different charts/graphs to show the different ways the same data can be presented. These graphs show the distribution of the survey takers age. You can see from the graph that the median age is just under 50 (the median in the boxplot is the line in the middle inside the box). From the boxplot you can also see the minimum, maximum, first quartile, third quartile and outliers.



The bar graph below shows the comparison between the positive counts for diabetes between men and women by the features. This is a good way to see which features are more prominent in positive cases of women or men. For example, from the chart you can see that genital thrush and alopecia is much more common for diabetes in men in this dataset while partial paresis and sudden weight loss is more common with women.

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        gender_features.plot(kind = 'bar')
        plt.title('Positive count of Features by Gender')
21
        plt.ylabel('Count')
22
        plt.legend(loc=(1.04,0))
23
        plt.xlabel('Feature')
       plt.subplots_adjust(hspace=0.5)
               Positive count of Features by Gender
120
100
60
 40
                       Polyphagia
                                visual blurring
                                     Itching
                                                 partial paresis
                                                      nuscle stiffness
                                         Irritability
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The final chart is a correlation heatmap. The heatmap visualizes the correlation between the different variables. From the heatmap one can see that the two main features affecting the label (target variable) are Polyuria and Polydipsia. The relationship between all the other variables can also be observed from the correlation heatmap.



## 3. Do data cleaning/pre-processing as required and explain what you have done for your dataset and why?

For data cleaning/pre-processing a few steps were taken. I started with checking for null values then encoding the dataset so that all string values (categorical values) would be numerical values. From there I did feature selection to select the best features for my model.

I first checked for null values to make sure that all records were complete. I found that there were no Null values so no further action was required to replace any values. Most of the columns as mentioned in the previous question were binary columns with strings "yes/no." I converted all these columns to have 1/0 instead and used One Hot Encoding with the binary strategy for the gender column. The binary strategy essentially means that each category value was converted into a new column and assigned 1 or 0 based on that column encoded value. At this point all the columns are now numerical with all except the age column being binary columns. In this case, a lot of the data is binary, in these types of dataframes typically there is no need for scaling the data since most of the values are either 1 or 0.

Feature selection is used to minimize the number of input variables one needs for a model to predict the target variable. There are many different techniques for feature selection. The feature selection technique that was used in this model is Mutual Information with select K Best. Mutual information measures the dependencies between the variables. When the variables are independent from each other than the score is 0 and higher values mean higher dependency between the variables. The Select K best feature selection will then select the 10 best features based on the mutual information score.

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#checking for missing values
df.isnull().sum()
[3]
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      Age
      Gender
      Polyuria
      Polydipsia
      sudden weight loss
      Polyphagia
      Genital thrush
      visual blurring
Itching
Irritability
      delayed healing
      partial paresis
       muscle stiffness
      Alopecia
Obesity
      class
      dtype: int64
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#oneHotEncoding gender column
catecols = ['Gender']
for col in catecols:
    dfeat = pd.get_dummies(encode_df[col], prefix=col, drop_first=False)

#adding the new feature to the dataframe
encode_df = pd.concat([encode_df, dfeat], axis=1)

[9]
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1 #Feature selection techniques
2 from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectKBest
3 from sklearn.feature_selection import mutual_info_classif
4
5 # define feature selection
6 fs = SelectKBest(score_func = mutual_info_classif,k=10)
7 #apply feature selection
8 x = fs.fit_transform(x, y.ravel())
9 print(x.shape)

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1 #Feature selection
9 print(x.shape)

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... (520, 10)
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4. Implement 2 machine learning models, explain which algorithms you have selected and why. Compare them and show success metrics (Accuracy/RMSE/Confusion Matrix) as per your problem. Explain results.

The two machine learning algorithms that were chosen for this classification model is Support Vector Machine (SVM) and Decision Tree Classifier. SVM was chosen since this algorithm is known for performing well on datasets with binary classification and outliers having minimal impact. Decision Tree Classifier was also chosen due to popularity with binary classification and its ability to quickly classify unknown records. As patient records are very different from each other (every person has different health records) this feature was very important when choosing a model.

Comparison of the two models were done using accuracy and confusion matrix which can be seen in below screenshots. The confusion matrix shows True Positives (predicted positive and its true), True Negative (predicted negative and its true), False Positive (predicted positive and its false), and False Negative (predicted negative and its false SVM had an accuracy of 0.929 and had TP of 47, FP of 7, FN of 4 and TN of 98. Decision Tree had an accuracy of 0.942 and had TP of 51, FP of 3, FN of 6 and TN of 96. Therefore, the better model between these two is the Decision Tree Classifier.

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               def SVC(X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test):
                  # Classification algorithm, predictions, and Success metrics.
                   model = LinearSVC()
                  model.fit(X_train, y_train)
pred = model.predict(X_test)
                   acc = accuracy_score(y_test, pred)
                  cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, pred)
                  print('\nAccuracy of Support Vector Machine:', acc)
                  print('\nConfusion Matrix of Support Vector Machine:\n', cm)
                  return model, pred, acc, cm
[24]
           SVC = SVC(X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test)
      Accuracy of Support Vector Machine: 0.9294871794871795
      Confusion Matrix of Support Vector Machine:
       [ 4 98]]
                def DT(X train, X test, y train, y test):
                  # Classification algorithm, predictions, and Success metrics.
                  model = DecisionTreeClassifier(random_state=1)
                  model.fit(X train, v train)
                  pred = model.predict(X_test)
                  acc = accuracy_score(y_test, pred)
                  cm = confusion matrix(y test, pred)
                  print('\nAccuracy of Decision Tree:', acc)
                  print('\nConfusion Matrix of Decision Tree:\n', cm)
          13
                  return model, pred, acc, cm
[26]
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           DecTree = DT(X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test)
           < 1 sec
      Accuracy of Decision Tree: 0.9423076923076923
      Confusion Matrix of Decision Tree:
       [[51 3]
       [ 6 96]]
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## 5. Use Automated ML for your data set. Explain best model results.

Below you can find the screenshots for the process of created an automated ML for my dataset. The process consisted of uploading my dataset, creating a cluster instance, selecting a classification algorithm, splitting the data and then running the model. In the screenshots you can see the different models that were run as well as their accuracy. The best model was found to be 'VotingEnsemble' which had an accuracy of 0.967. The top 4 features for this model were Polyuria, Polydipsia, Gender and Itching. Other success metrics can be noted in the screenshots below as well.

