Adult Dataset

```
# importing the required libraries
suppressPackageStartupMessages(library(tidyverse))
```

In this R Markdown document, I will be doing a preliminary data analysis and exploration for the adult dataset from UCI ML datasets repository.

Section 1: Reading and Cleaning up the dataset

```
# reading the dataset
adult <- read.csv("data/adult.data", header = FALSE)
test <- read.csv("data/adult.test", header = FALSE, skip = 1)</pre>
head(adult)
##
    V1
                                                                ۷6
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                                         V4 V5
## 1 39
                State-gov
                          77516 Bachelors 13
                                                     Never-married
## 2 50 Self-emp-not-inc 83311
                                  Bachelors 13 Married-civ-spouse
## 3 38
                  Private 215646
                                    HS-grad 9
                                                          Divorced
## 4 53
                  Private 234721
                                       11th 7
                                                Married-civ-spouse
## 5 28
                  Private 338409 Bachelors 13
                                                Married-civ-spouse
## 6 37
                  Private 284582
                                    Masters 14
                                                Married-civ-spouse
##
                                    V8
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                                           V9
                                                  V10 V11 V12 V13
## 1
          Adm-clerical Not-in-family
                                       White
                                                 Male 2174
## 2
       Exec-managerial
                               Husband White
                                                 Male
                                                             0
                                                                13
     Handlers-cleaners Not-in-family
                                       White
                                                             0
                                                                40
## 3
                                                 Male
                                                         0
     Handlers-cleaners
                               Husband Black
                                                             Ο
                                                                40
                                                 Male
                                                         0
        Prof-specialty
                                  Wife Black Female
                                                                40
## 5
                                                         0
## 6
       Exec-managerial
                                  Wife White Female
                                                             0
                                                                40
                V14
##
                       V15
## 1 United-States
                   <=50K
## 2 United-States <=50K
## 3
     United-States <=50K
## 4 United-States <=50K
## 5
               Cuba <=50K
## 6 United-States <=50K
```

We see that there are 14 features and 1 response which is binary (whether the annual income is <= or greater than 50k).

```
7
## 4
     53
                   Private 234721
                                        11th
## 5
     28
                   Private 338409
                                                        13
                                  Bachelors
## 6
      37
                   Private 284582
                                     Masters
                                                        14
##
          marital_status
                                 occupation
                                              relationship
                                                             race
                                                                      sex
## 1
           Never-married
                               Adm-clerical Not-in-family
                                                            White
                                                                     Male
                                                                     Male
## 2
     Married-civ-spouse
                            Exec-managerial
                                                   Husband White
                Divorced Handlers-cleaners Not-in-family White
                                                                     Male
                                                   Husband Black
## 4
     Married-civ-spouse Handlers-cleaners
                                                                     Male
## 5
     Married-civ-spouse
                             Prof-specialty
                                                      Wife Black Female
## 6
     Married-civ-spouse
                            Exec-managerial
                                                      Wife White Female
     capital_gain capital_loss hours_per_week native_country income
## 1
             2174
                             0
                                           40 United-States <=50K
## 2
                0
                             0
                                           13 United-States
                                                             <=50K
                                           40 United-States <=50K
## 3
                0
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## 4
                0
                             0
                                           40
                                               United-States <=50K
## 5
                0
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                                           40
                                                        Cuba <=50K
## 6
                             0
                                           40
                                              United-States <=50K
```

Now that we have imported the data in the required format, we will move on to looking at the dataset and cleaning it wherever required.

```
# looking at the structure of the data
str(adult)
```

```
## 'data.frame':
                   32561 obs. of 15 variables:
##
   $ age
                    : int 39 50 38 53 28 37 49 52 31 42 ...
                    : Factor w/ 9 levels " ?"," Federal-gov",..: 8 7 5 5 5 5 5 7 5 5 ...
   $ workclass
                    : int 77516 83311 215646 234721 338409 284582 160187 209642 45781 159449 ...
##
   $ fnlwgt
                    : Factor w/ 16 levels " 10th", " 11th",..: 10 10 12 2 10 13 7 12 13 10 ...
##
   $ education
   $ education_num : int  13 13 9 7 13 14 5 9 14 13 ...
   $ marital_status: Factor w/ 7 levels " Divorced", "Married-AF-spouse",..: 5 3 1 3 3 3 4 3 5 3 ...
                   : Factor w/ 15 levels " ?"," Adm-clerical",..: 2 5 7 7 11 5 9 5 11 5 ...
##
   $ occupation
##
   $ relationship : Factor w/ 6 levels " Husband", "Not-in-family",..: 2 1 2 1 6 6 2 1 2 1 ...
##
  $ race
                    : Factor w/ 5 levels " Amer-Indian-Eskimo",..: 5 5 5 3 3 5 5 5 5 ...
##
   $ sex
                    : Factor w/ 2 levels " Female", " Male": 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 2 ...
##
   $ capital_gain : int 2174 0 0 0 0 0 0 14084 5178 ...
   $ capital_loss : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
   $ hours_per_week: int 40 13 40 40 40 40 16 45 50 40 ...
   $ native_country: Factor w/ 42 levels " ?"," Cambodia",..: 40 40 40 40 6 40 24 40 40 40 ...
                    : Factor w/ 2 levels " <=50K"," >50K": 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 ...
   $ income
```

summary(adult)

```
##
                                 workclass
                                                    fnlwgt
         age
##
           :17.00
   Min.
                     Private
                                      :22696
                                                Min.
                                                       : 12285
                                                1st Qu.: 117827
##
    1st Qu.:28.00
                     Self-emp-not-inc: 2541
##
    Median :37.00
                     Local-gov
                                      : 2093
                                                Median: 178356
##
    Mean
           :38.58
                      ?
                                       : 1836
                                                       : 189778
                                                Mean
                                                3rd Qu.: 237051
##
    3rd Qu.:48.00
                                       : 1298
                     State-gov
##
    Max.
           :90.00
                     Self-emp-inc
                                       : 1116
                                                Max.
                                                       :1484705
##
                     (Other)
                                         981
                                       :
##
            education
                           education num
                                                           marital_status
##
     HS-grad
                  :10501
                           Min.
                                 : 1.00
                                             Divorced
                                                                   : 4443
                           1st Qu.: 9.00
##
     Some-college: 7291
                                             Married-AF-spouse
##
     Bachelors
                 : 5355
                           Median :10.00
                                             Married-civ-spouse
                                                                   :14976
##
     Masters
                 : 1723
                           Mean
                                  :10.08
                                             Married-spouse-absent: 418
```

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```
##
     Assoc-voc
                 : 1382
                          3rd Qu.:12.00
                                            Never-married
                                                                  :10683
##
     11th
                          Max. :16.00
                                            Separated
                                                                  : 1025
                 : 1175
                 : 5134
##
    (Other)
                                            Widowed
                                                                  : 993
##
               occupation
                                      relationship
##
     Prof-specialty:4140
                             Husband
                                            :13193
##
     Craft-repair
                    :4099
                             Not-in-family: 8305
##
     Exec-managerial:4066
                             Other-relative:
##
     Adm-clerical
                             Own-child
                    :3770
                                            : 5068
##
     Sales
                    :3650
                             Unmarried
                                            : 3446
##
     Other-service :3295
                             Wife
                                            : 1568
##
    (Other)
                    :9541
##
                     race
                                      sex
                                                  capital_gain
                                  Female:10771
##
     Amer-Indian-Eskimo: 311
                                                 Min.
##
     Asian-Pac-Islander: 1039
                                  Male :21790
                                                 1st Qu.:
##
     Black
                       : 3124
                                                 Median :
                                                              0
##
     Other
                       : 271
                                                 Mean
                                                       : 1078
##
     White
                       :27816
                                                 3rd Qu.:
                                                              0
##
                                                 Max.
                                                        :99999
##
##
     capital loss
                     hours per week
                                             native country
                                                                 income
##
    Min.
          :
               0.0
                     Min.
                           : 1.00
                                       United-States:29170
                                                               <=50K:24720
    1st Qu.:
               0.0
                     1st Qu.:40.00
                                       Mexico
                                                       643
                                                               >50K : 7841
                     Median :40.00
   Median:
               0.0
                                                       583
##
             87.3
                     Mean :40.44
                                                       198
##
    Mean
         :
                                       Philippines
                                                    :
   3rd Qu.:
##
               0.0
                     3rd Qu.:45.00
                                       Germany
                                                       137
    Max.
           :4356.0
                     Max.
                            :99.00
                                       Canada
                                                      121
##
                                      (Other)
                                                    : 1709
```

We see that there are missing values in 3 columns (in the form of ?) looking at the structure of data. There also seems to be whitespace as a prefix in many of the categorical variables. We also don't need the final weight variable which was put up by the Census Board and hence, will remove it. Let us handle all these cases.

```
adult <- adult %>%
    mutate(income = str_trim(income, side = c("left")),
           occupation = ifelse(occupation == " ?", "unknown", as.character(occupation)),
           workclass = ifelse(workclass == " ?", "unknown", as.character(workclass)),
           native_country = ifelse(native_country == " ?", "unknown", as.character(native_country)),
           workclass = str_trim(workclass, side = c("left")),
           education = str trim(education, side = c("left")),
           marital_status = str_trim(marital_status, side = c("left")),
           occupation = str_trim(occupation, side = c("left")),
           relationship = str_trim(relationship, side = c("left")),
           sex = str trim(sex, side = c("left")),
           race = str trim(race, side = c("left")),
           native_country = str_trim(native_country, side = c("left")))
head(adult)
##
     age
                workclass fnlwgt education education_num
                                                             marital_status
     39
                State-gov 77516 Bachelors
                                                              Never-married
                                                      13
```

```
## 1
      50 Self-emp-not-inc 83311 Bachelors
## 2
                                                       13 Married-civ-spouse
## 3
      38
                  Private 215646
                                   HS-grad
                                                                    Divorced
## 4
      53
                  Private 234721
                                       11th
                                                        7 Married-civ-spouse
## 5
      28
                  Private 338409 Bachelors
                                                       13 Married-civ-spouse
## 6
     37
                  Private 284582
                                   Masters
                                                       14 Married-civ-spouse
```

```
##
            occupation relationship race
                                              sex capital_gain capital_loss
## 1
          Adm-clerical Not-in-family White
                                                          2174
                                             Male
                             Husband White
## 2
      Exec-managerial
                                             Male
                                                             0
                                                                          0
                                                             0
                                                                          0
## 3 Handlers-cleaners Not-in-family White
                                             Male
## 4 Handlers-cleaners
                            Husband Black
                                             Male
                                                             0
                                                                          0
## 5
       Prof-specialty
                                Wife Black Female
                                                             0
                                                                          0
                                Wife White Female
                                                             0
                                                                          0
      Exec-managerial
##
    hours_per_week native_country income
## 1
                40 United-States
                                    <=50K
## 2
                13 United-States
                                    <=50K
## 3
                40 United-States <=50K
## 4
                 40 United-States <=50K
## 5
                 40
                              Cuba <=50K
                 40 United-States <=50K
# checking missing value category
adult %>%
   filter(is.na(workclass)) %>%
    group_by(income) %>%
   count()
## # A tibble: 0 x 2
## # Groups:
             income [0]
## # ... with 2 variables: income <chr>, n <int>
   filter(is.na(occupation)) %>%
   group_by(income) %>%
   count()
## # A tibble: 0 x 2
## # Groups:
             income [0]
## # ... with 2 variables: income <chr>, n <int>
adult %>%
   filter(is.na(native_country)) %>%
    group_by(income) %>%
   count()
## # A tibble: 0 x 2
## # Groups: income [0]
## # ... with 2 variables: income <chr>, n <int>
```

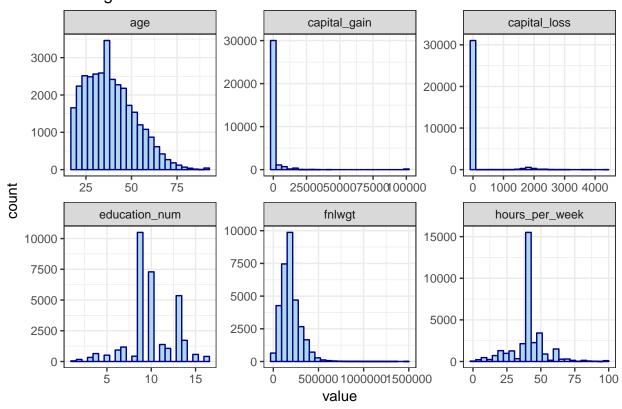
We see that most of the people with missing values in the above 3 columns belong to the <50K income category and since we have a lot of data points for that category, we can safely ignore these cases from our analysis.

```
adult <- adult %>%
  filter(!is.na(workclass), !is.na(occupation), !is.na(native_country))
```

Section 2: Univariate Analysis

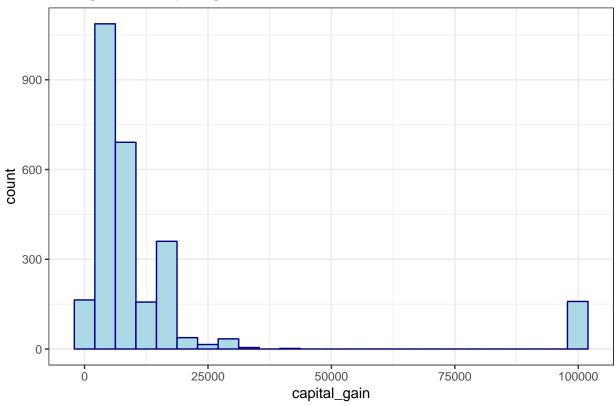
```
adult %>%
  keep(is.numeric) %>%  # Keep only numeric columns
  gather() %>%  # Convert to key-value pairs
  ggplot(aes(value)) +  # Plot the values
```

Histograms for numeric variables

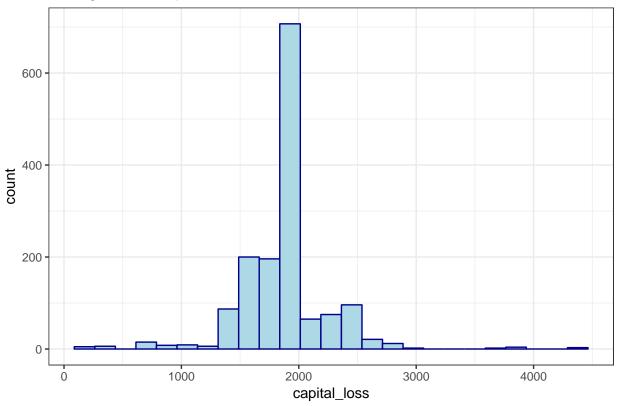


The age and final weight distributions seem to be right-skewed and a log/square-root transformation on these would be a good choice while building the model. Plotting capital_gain and capital_loss without the 0 value would give a better look at the distribution.

Histogram for capital gain



Histogram for capital loss



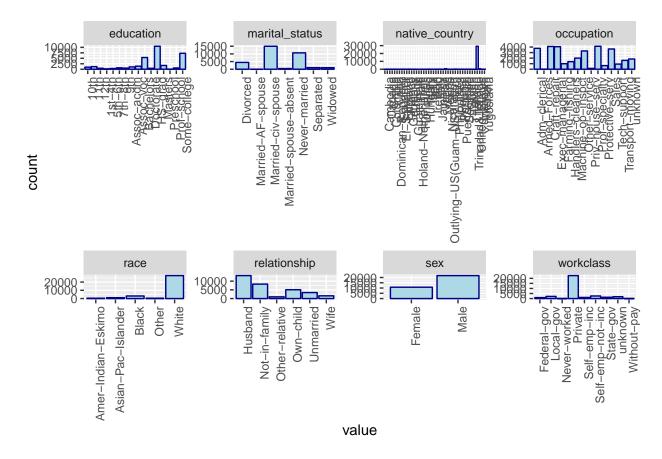
We see that there is a set of people with a very high capital gain (about a 100000) and the rest of the people form a right-skewed distribution. I suspect that these people with such a high capital gain would fall into the category of >50K income bracket. Let's find out!

```
adult %>%
    filter(capital_gain > 90000) %>%
    group_by(income) %>%
    count()

## # A tibble: 1 x 2
## # Groups: income [1]
## income n
## <chr> <int>
## 1 >50K 159
```

As expected, they are indeed a high-income group! Capital gain might be good predictor of income group. Let us now look at the distribution of some categorical variables.

```
adult %>%
   select(-income) %>%
   keep(is.character) %>%
   gather() %>%
   ggplot(aes(value)) +
   facet_wrap(~ key, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
   geom_bar(color = "darkblue", fill = "lightblue") +
   theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1))
```



Let us plot separately some figures which are not so clear in the picture above and break them down into actual numbers.

```
# native country
adult %>%
    group_by(native_country) %>%
    summarise(freq = n()) %>%
    mutate(prop = freq / sum(freq) * 100) %>%
    arrange(desc(prop))
##
  # A tibble: 42 x 3
##
                       freq
      native_country
                              prop
      <chr>
##
                      <int>
                              <dbl>
##
    1 United-States
                      29170 89.6
##
    2 Mexico
                        643
                             1.97
##
    3 unknown
                        583
                             1.79
##
    4 Philippines
                        198
                             0.608
##
    5 Germany
                        137
                             0.421
    6 Canada
                             0.372
##
                        121
##
    7 Puerto-Rico
                        114
                             0.350
    8 El-Salvador
##
                        106
                             0.326
##
    9 India
                        100
                             0.307
## 10 Cuba
                         95
                             0.292
   # ... with 32 more rows
```

Most of the people in the dataset are from the United-States.

```
# workclass
adult %>%
   group_by(workclass) %>%
   summarise(freq = n()) %>%
   mutate(prop = freq / sum(freq) * 100) %>%
   arrange(desc(prop))
## # A tibble: 9 x 3
##
   workclass
                      freq
                              prop
##
    <chr>
                             <dbl>
                     <int>
## 1 Private
                     22696 69.7
## 2 Self-emp-not-inc 2541 7.80
## 3 Local-gov
                      2093 6.43
## 4 unknown
                      1836 5.64
## 5 State-gov
                      1298 3.99
                      1116 3.43
## 6 Self-emp-inc
                       960 2.95
## 7 Federal-gov
```

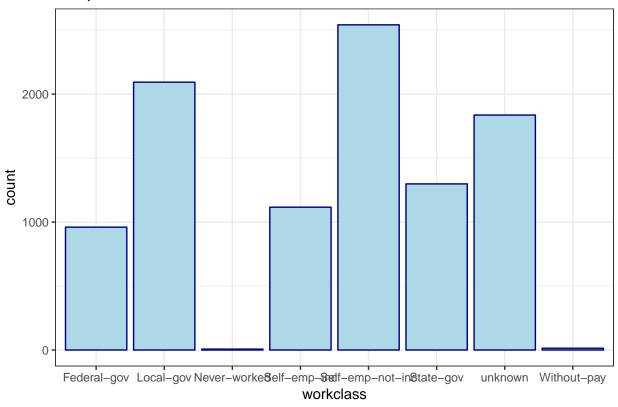
As we see, most of the people belong to the Private workforce. Let us remake this plot so as to look at other classes clearly.

14 0.0430

7 0.0215

8 Without-pay
9 Never-worked



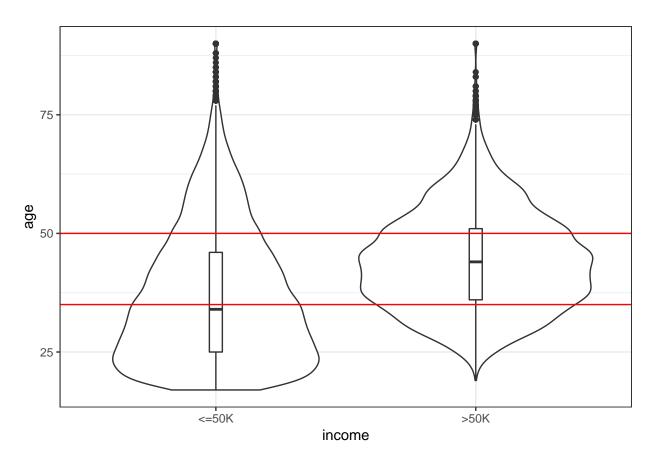


There are very less people who have never worked or who are living without a pay. We will now move on to multivariate analysis.

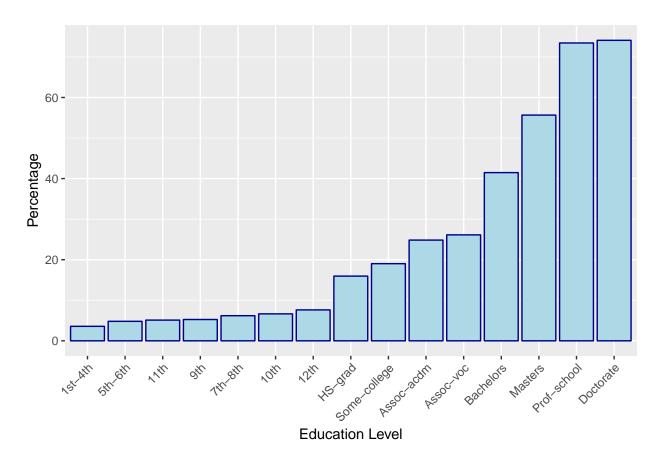
Section 3: Multivariate Analysis

In this section, we will be analyzing the relationship between different predictors and the response along with some relationships and patterns within the predictors.

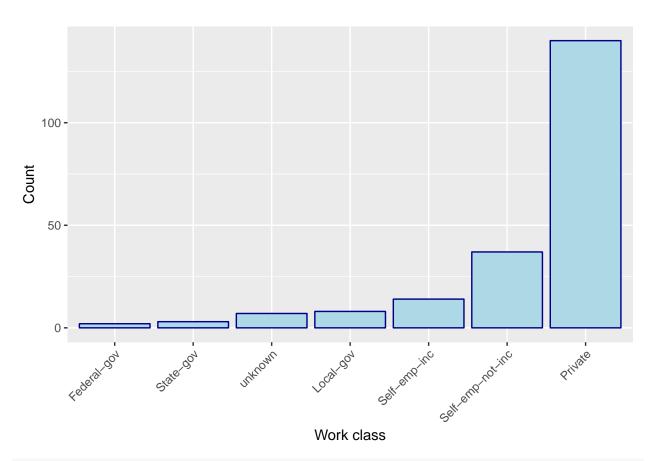
```
adult %>%
    ggplot() +
    geom_violin(aes(x = income, y = age)) +
    geom_boxplot(aes(x = income, y = age), width=0.05) +
    geom_hline(yintercept = 35, color = "red") +
    geom_hline(yintercept = 50, color = "red") +
    theme_bw()
```

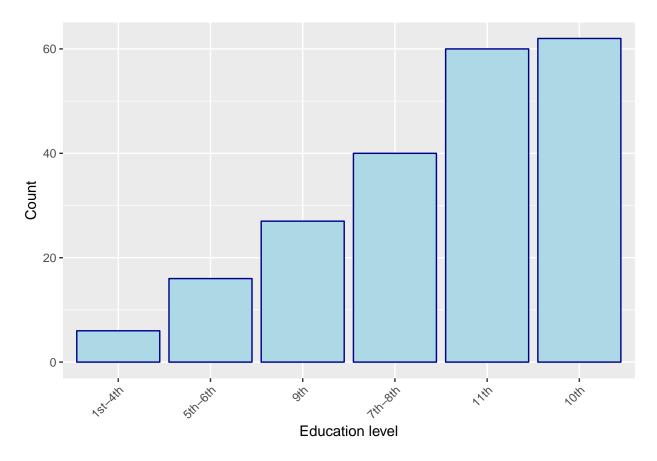


We see that most of the population under the age of 25 earns $< 50 \mathrm{K}$ a year. This makes sense and most likely, this section of the population would not be earning much at all (as there will be a lot of students in this section). Most of the people who earn $> 50 \mathrm{K}$ a year are in their 30s and 40s.



No surprise here! Adults with a high level of education have a higher proportion of people who earn more than 50 K a year. There also are some people with a low education level who are earning > 50 K per year. Let us have a closer look at these people.





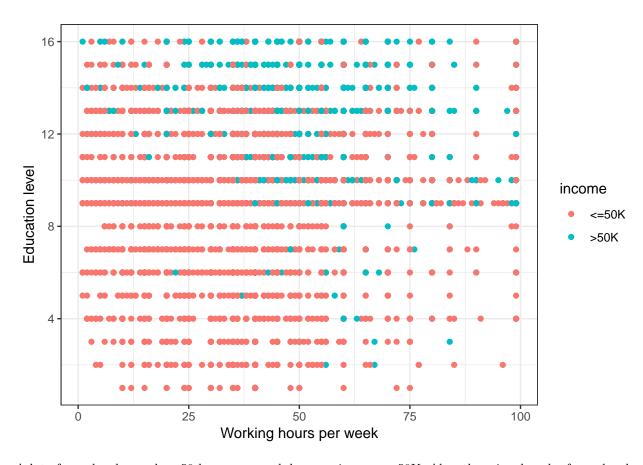
These people are mostly high-school dropouts who worked for private companies or were self-employed.

Not surprisingly, most of these people are males (10:1 male-female ratio). We don't see many cases of women dropping out from schools and earning really high amounts of money. This probably reflects that men are more prone to risk taking than most women.

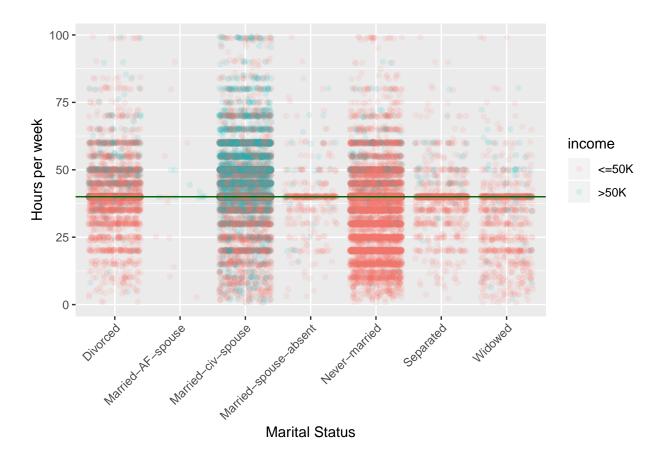
```
labs(x = "Occupation", y = "Percentage") +
theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1))
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```
adult %>%
    ggplot() +
    geom_point(aes(x = hours_per_week, y = education_num, color = income)) +
    labs(x = "Working hours per week", y = "Education level") +
    theme_bw()
```

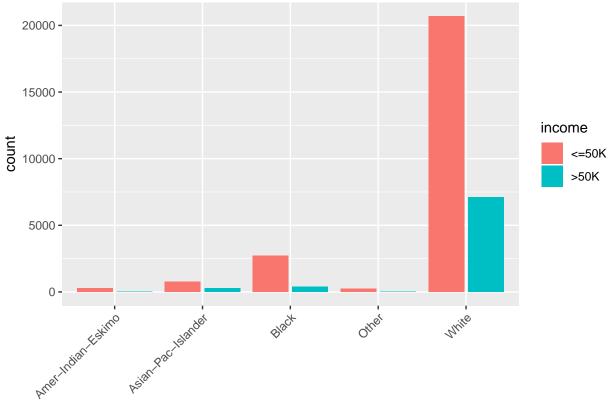


A lot of people who work > 50 hours per week have an income > 50K. Also, there is a bunch of people who don't spend a lot of time working, are really well-educated and earn a high income! They are probably the ones who earn fortunes for a few minutes of their lives.

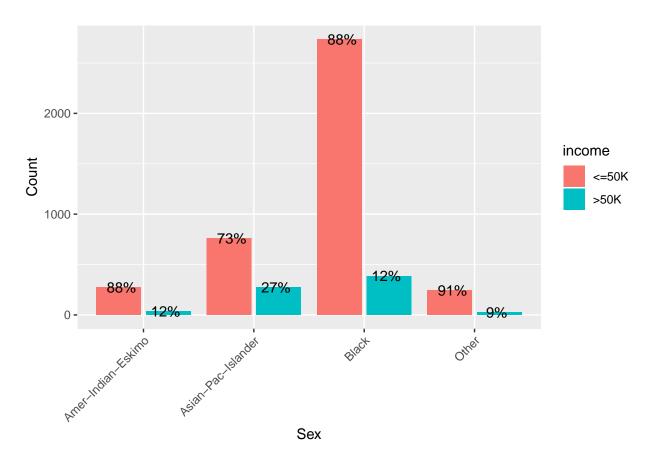


It seems that people who never married are mostly having an income less than $50 \mathrm{K}$ a year. Also, most of the people who earn $> 50 \mathrm{K}$ a year are Married civilians who work > 40 hours per week.

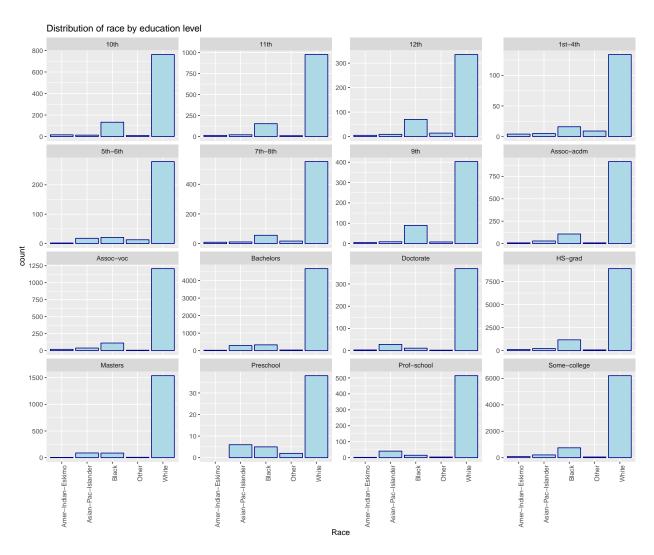
```
# distribution of income by race
adult %>%
    ggplot() +
    geom_bar(aes(x = race, fill = income), position = "dodge2") +
    labs(x = "Race") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1))
```



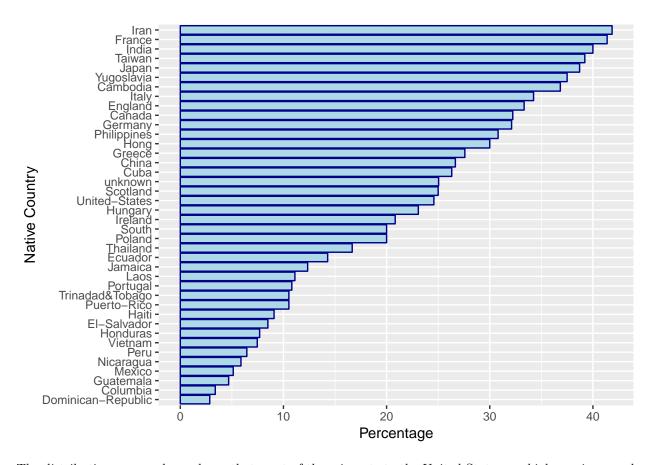
Race



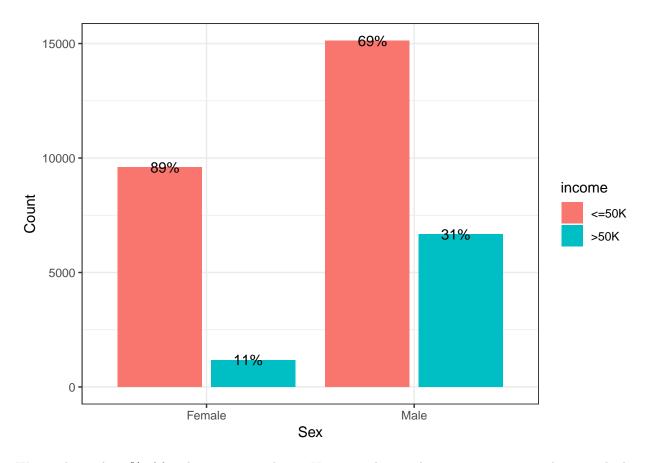
The ratio of people with an income >50K to the ones with an income <=50K seems to be nearly constant across all races.



It is surprising to see the reduced number of black people as compared to whites in the higher level of education categories like Doctorate, Prof-school and Masters. Let us look at the proportion of high earning people by native country.



The distribution we see above shows that most of the migrants to the United-States are high earning people and there are also many countries whose migrants don't earn a high income. The United-States lies somewhere near the middle of these two categories of countries.



We see that only 11% of females earn more than 50K a year whereas the percentage is around 3 times higher in males (31%).

Section 4: Data Cleaning

```
# combining train and test for cleaning and export
test <- test %>%
    magrittr::set_colnames(c("age", "workclass", "fnlwgt", "education", "education_num",
                                "marital_status", "occupation", "relationship", "race",
                                "sex", "capital_gain", "capital_loss", "hours_per_week",
                               "native_country", "income"))
test <- test %>%
    mutate(income = str_trim(income, side = c("left")),
           income = ifelse(income == "<=50K.", "<=50K", ">50K"),
           occupation = ifelse(occupation == " ?", "unknown", as.character(occupation)),
           workclass = ifelse(workclass == " ?", "unknown", as.character(workclass)),
native_country = ifelse(native_country == " ?", "unknown", as.character(native_country)),
           workclass = str_trim(workclass, side = c("left")),
           education = str_trim(education, side = c("left")),
           marital_status = str_trim(marital_status, side = c("left")),
           occupation = str_trim(occupation, side = c("left")),
           relationship = str_trim(relationship, side = c("left")),
            sex = str_trim(sex, side = c("left")),
```

First, we will combine similar categories in different categorical variables into a smaller number of categories.

```
# combining categories in workclass
adult <- adult %>%
    mutate(workclass = replace(workclass, workclass %in% c('State-gov', 'Federal-gov',
                                                 'Local-gov'), 0),
           workclass = replace(workclass, workclass %in% c('Self-emp-not-inc', 'Self-emp-inc',
                                                 'Without-pay', 'Never-worked'), 1),
           workclass = replace(workclass, workclass %in% c('Private'), 2),
           workclass = replace(workclass, workclass %in% c('unknown'), -1))
# combining categories in marital_status
adult <- adult %>%
   mutate(marital_status = replace(marital_status, marital_status %in% c('Married-civ-spouse',
                                                           'Married-spouse-absent',
                                                            'Married-AF-spouse'), 0),
           marital_status = replace(marital_status, marital_status %in% c('Never-married','Divorced',
                                                           'Separated', 'Widowed'), 1))
# combining categories in education
adult <- adult %>%
   select(-education num) %>%
   mutate(education = replace(education, education %in% c("HS-grad", "11th", "9th", "7th-8th",
                                                           "5th-6th", "10th", "Preschool", "12th",
                                                            "1st-4th"), 0),
           education = replace(education, education %in% c("Bachelors", "Some-college", "Assoc-acdm",
                                                           "Assoc-voc"), 1),
           education = replace(education, education %in% c("Masters", "Prof-school", "Doctorate",
                                                           "Assoc-voc"), 2))
# combining categories in occupation
adult <- adult %>%
    mutate(occupation = replace(occupation, occupation %in% c("Priv-house-serv", "Handlers-cleaners",
                                                              "Other-service", "Armed-Forces",
                                                              "Machine-op-inspct", "Farming-fishing",
                                                              "Adm-clerical"), 0),
           occupation = replace(occupation, occupation %in% c("Tech-support", "Craft-repair",
                                                              "Protective-serv", "Transport-moving",
                                                               "Sales"), 1),
           occupation = replace(occupation, occupation %in% c("Exec-managerial", "Prof-specialty"), 2),
           occupation = replace(occupation, occupation %in% c("unknown"), -1))
# combining categories in race
adult <- adult %>%
   mutate(race = replace(race, race %in% c("White"), 0),
           race = replace(race, race %in% c("Black"), 1),
           race = replace(race, race %in% c("Asian-Pac-Islander",
                                            "Amer-Indian-Eskimo", "Other"), 2))
# handling sex and native country and target
```

Now that we have cleaned the dataset, let's export it so that it can be used in model building directly.

```
# exporting the datasets
write_csv(train, "data/train.csv", col_names = TRUE)
write_csv(test, "data/test.csv", col_names = TRUE)
```