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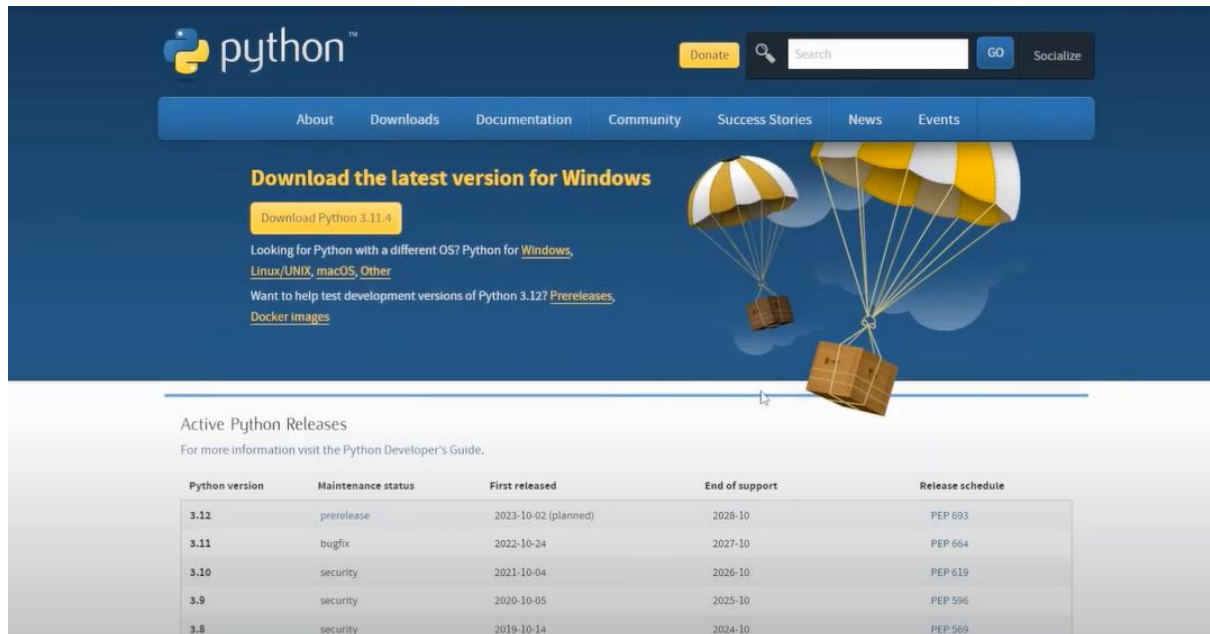


Figure 1: Download Python in Anaconda

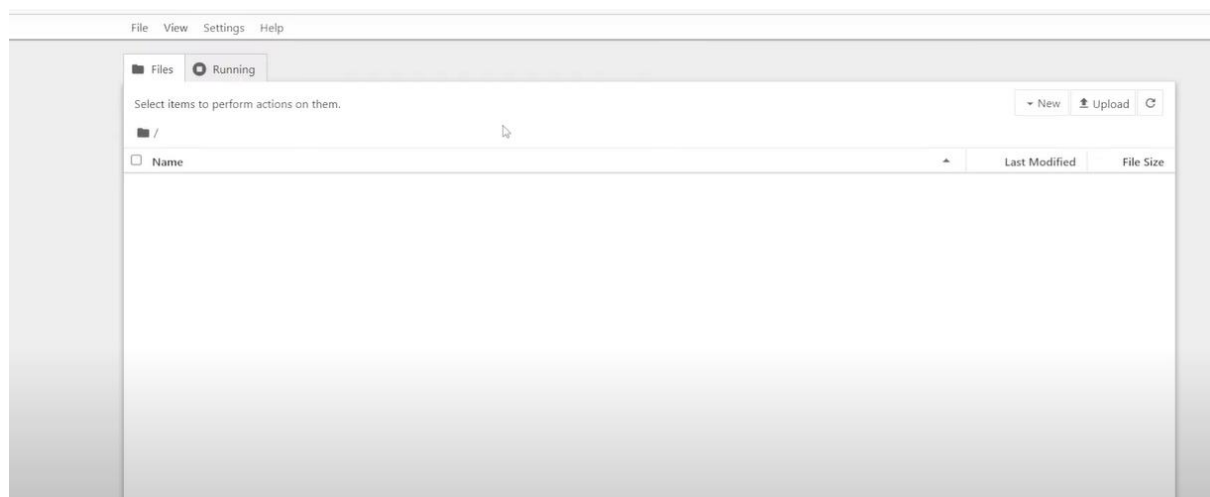


Figure 2: Opening the Python 3

Here, it is required to open the python 3 from anocoda. After opening, it is required to upload the dataset which will be used for the analysis.

Section 2

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[2]: pip install pandas

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Fig 3: Pandas Installation

- Installing Pandas Library with the “pip install command”

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[4]: pip install seaborn

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Installing collected packages: seaborn
Successfully installed seaborn-0.13.0
Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages.
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Fig 4 :- Seaborn Installation

- Installing seaborn library by performing the “pip install seaborn” command

```
[7]: pip install scikit-learn

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Fig 5:scikit-learn

- Installing scikit-learn machine learning library by performing the “pip install scikit learn” command

```
[3]: pip install matplotlib

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Fig 6:-Matplotlib installation

- Installing the Matplot library by performing the “pip install matplotlib command”

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```
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
```

```
[ ] # Load the dataset
df = pd.read_csv("cleanpasswordlist.csv")
```

```
# Display basic information about the dataset
print("Dataset Info:")
print(df.info())
```

Dataset Info:
 <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
 RangeIndex: 666654 entries, 0 to 666653
 Data columns (total 2 columns):
 # Column Non-Null Count Dtype
 --- --
 0 password 666653 non-null object
 1 strength 666654 non-null int64
 dtypes: int64(1), object(1)
 memory usage: 10.2+ MB
 None

```
[ ] # Display the first few rows of the dataset
```

Figure 7: Code Implementation

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```
print(df.head())
```

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[ ]
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First few rows of the dataset:

	password	strength
0	melong11	1
1	0wputro0	1
2	surasa4827	1
3	facrazy85	1
4	genesis319	1

```
[ ] # Check for missing values
print("\nMissing values:")
print(df.isnull().sum())
```

Missing values:
 password 1
 strength 0
 dtype: int64

```
# Handle missing values by replacing NaN with an empty string
df['password'].fillna('', inplace=True)
```

```
[ ] # Check for missing values after handling
print("\nMissing values after handling:")
print(df.isnull().sum())
```

Figure 8: Code for data pre-processing

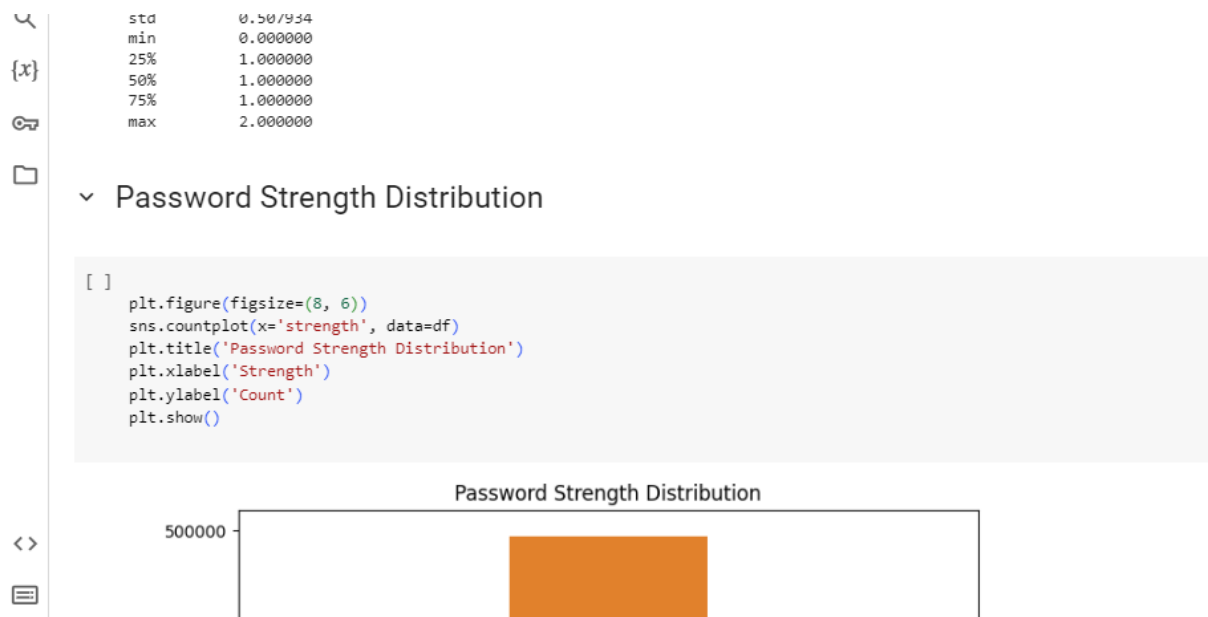


Figure 9: EDA

Section 3

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[ ]
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from xgboost import XGBClassifier
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

[ ]
X = df[['password']]
y = df['strength']

[ ]
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

[ ]
vectorizer = CountVectorizer()
X_train_vectorized = vectorizer.fit_transform(X_train['password'])
X_test_vectorized = vectorizer.transform(X_test['password'])
```

Figure 10: Model Implementation

They cover a wide range of topics, and these are just a few examples. Data exploration and visualization using Seaborn, data extraction with feature engineering, and predictive analysis with machine learning models like XGBoost and logistic regression are some of the methodologies and tools used. These are only a few of the various methods and tools used. The strategies and instruments mentioned before are only a few of the many that are used. The tools and strategies

shown below are only a few examples. Doing so may help the individual comprehend the inner workings of brain networks. It would do you well to grasp this concept.

These models can derive label predictions from vectorized training data, and the effectiveness of various tactics may be estimated by the accuracy measures of the models. Research that incorporates machine learning techniques may provide a comprehensive understanding of the tasks performed by the neural network's internal nodes. It is possible to do this. In this way, linkages and patterns that may not be immediately apparent from visuals are uncovered.

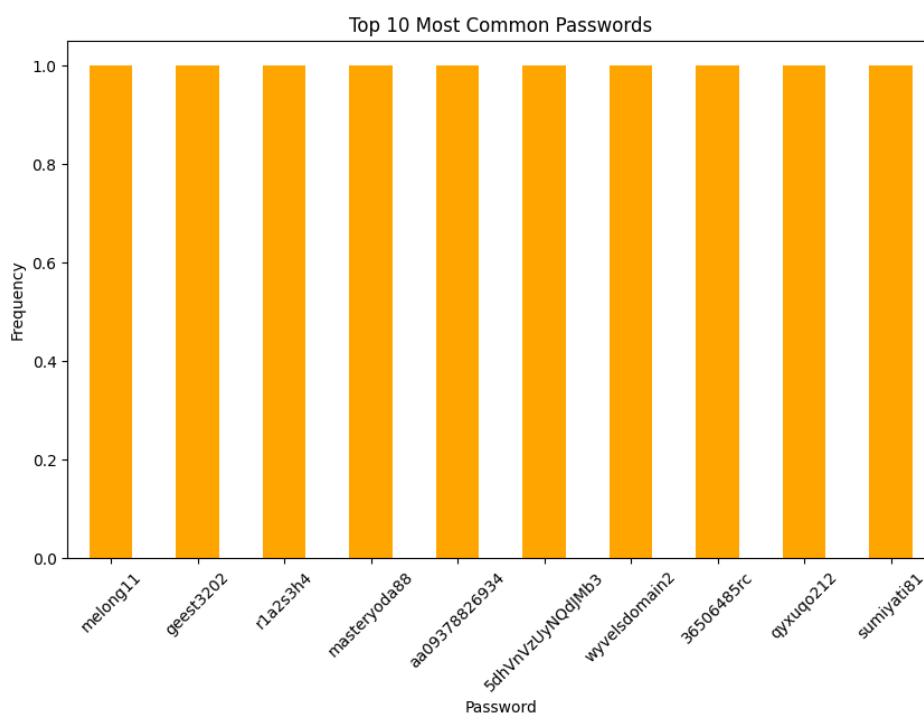


Figure 11: Top 10 Most Common Passwords

In the figure, the top 10 passwords that are found in the dataset the most frequently are shown. The recurrence dissemination of these passwords is shown by means of the utilization of a bar chart, which offers a reasonable and brief cognizance of the passwords that are used the most frequently. What's more, various passwords are shown along the horizontal axis of the chart, while the frequencies that are related with those passwords are portrayed along the upward axis. Along these lines, it is feasible to figure out which passwords are utilized the most frequently.

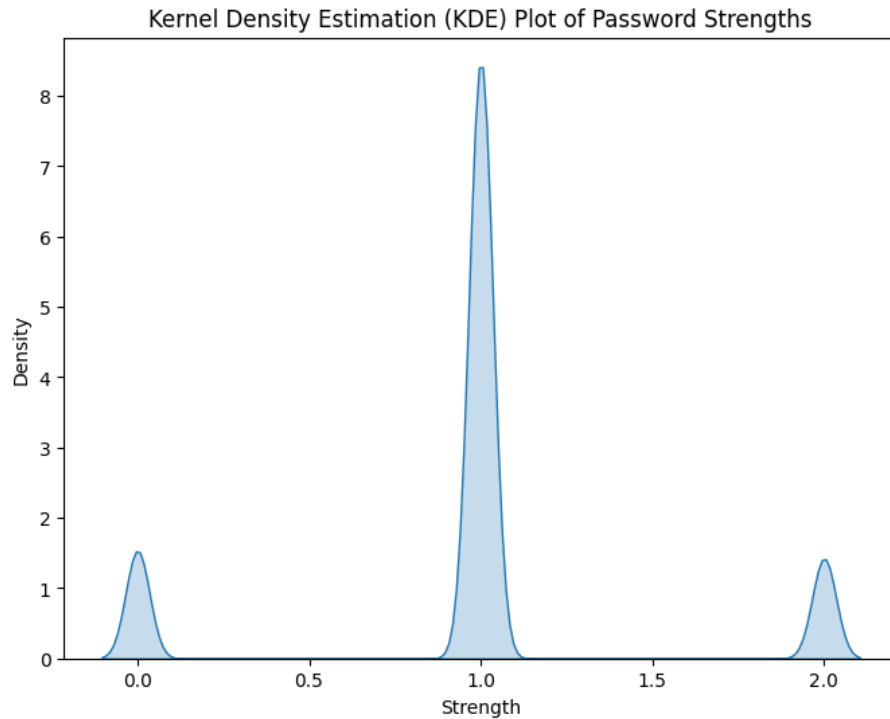


Figure 12: Kernel Density Estimation (KDE) Plot of Password Strengths

The Kernel Density Estimation (KDE) offers a visual portrayal of the circulation of password strengths inside the dataset. This model can be seen as above. It can give experiences on the concentration and fluctuation of password strengths by review the density of various strength levels. This is achieved by means of the utilization of a smooth bend. To acquire a superior understanding of the dispersion example of password strengths, the level hub is utilized to indicate the different strength classes, while the upward hub is used to represent the density of occasions.

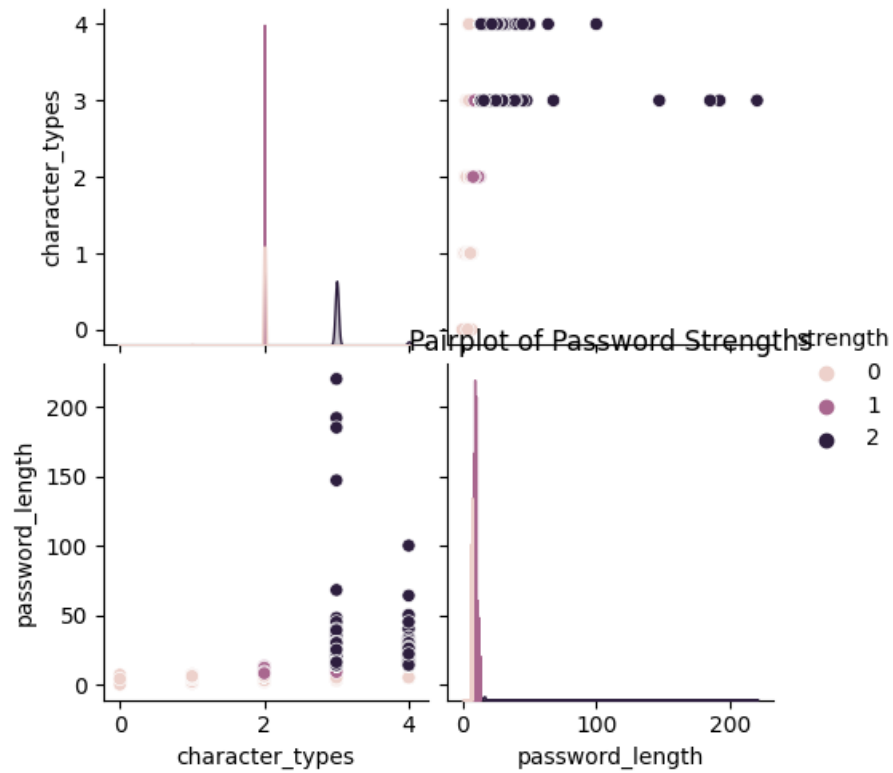


Figure 13: Pairplot of Password Strengths

A complete visual investigation of the correlations between variables is given by the pairplot that is given. The variables are differentiated from each other based on the strength of the password. To illustrate the pairwise joins that exist between features, it makes utilization of a large number of varieties to indicate varying levels of power. All in all, this graphical representation assists in tracking down possible correlations, patterns, and distributions among a large number of variables, which thusly advances a more mind boggling understanding of the interrelationships that exist between the variables that are incorporated inside the dataset.

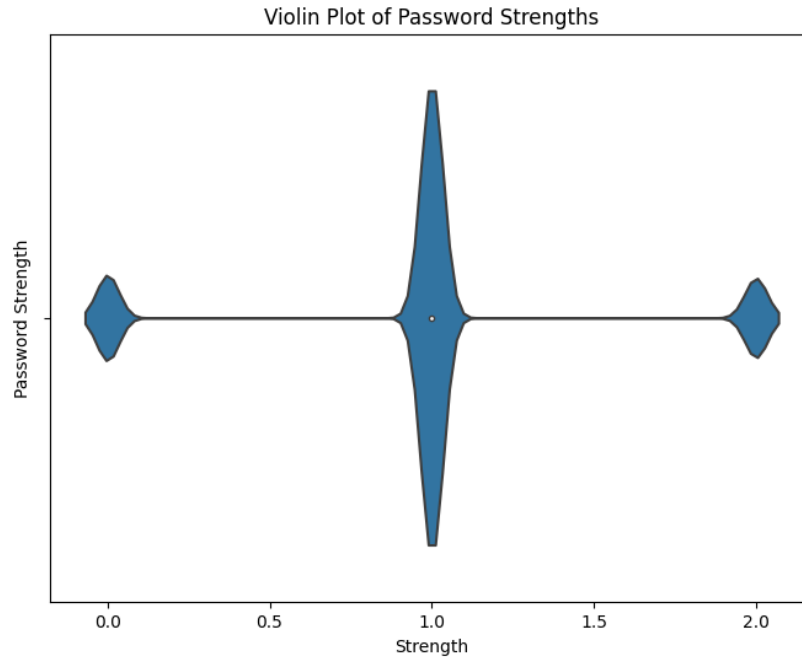


Figure 14: Violin Plot of Password Strengths

Violin plot illustrates the distribution of secret word strengths that are sorted by their different levels is displayed as a violin plot. By utilizing its width and structure, portraying the likelihood thickness of various different strength categories is conceivable. This gives a reasonable understanding of the distribution and concentration of these categories. With the guide of this graphical portrayal, one might have the option to get a more complete cognizance of the varieties and key examples that exist among the secret phrase strengths included inside the dataset.

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