



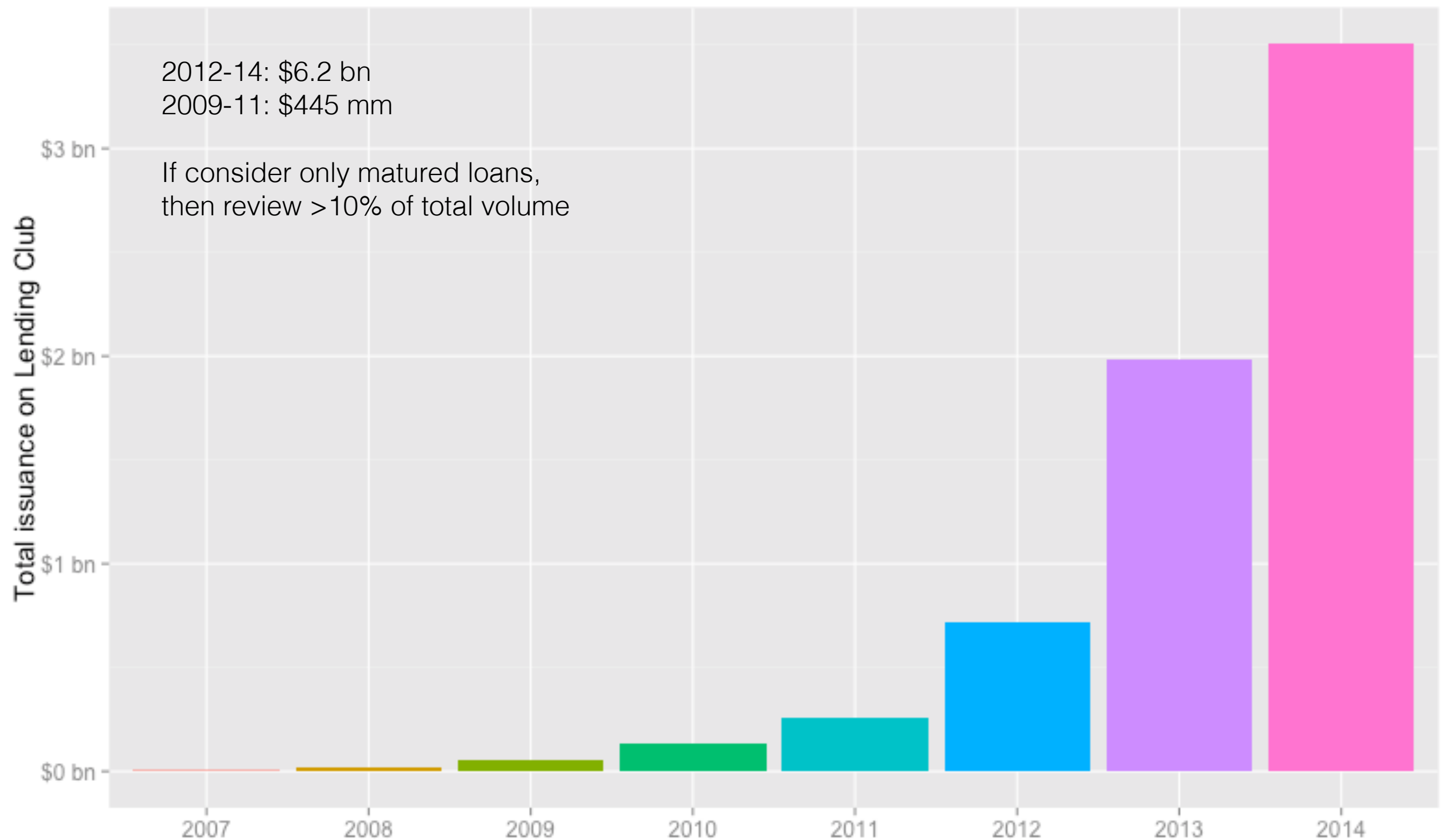
# **Predicting rate of return at inception using Random Forests**

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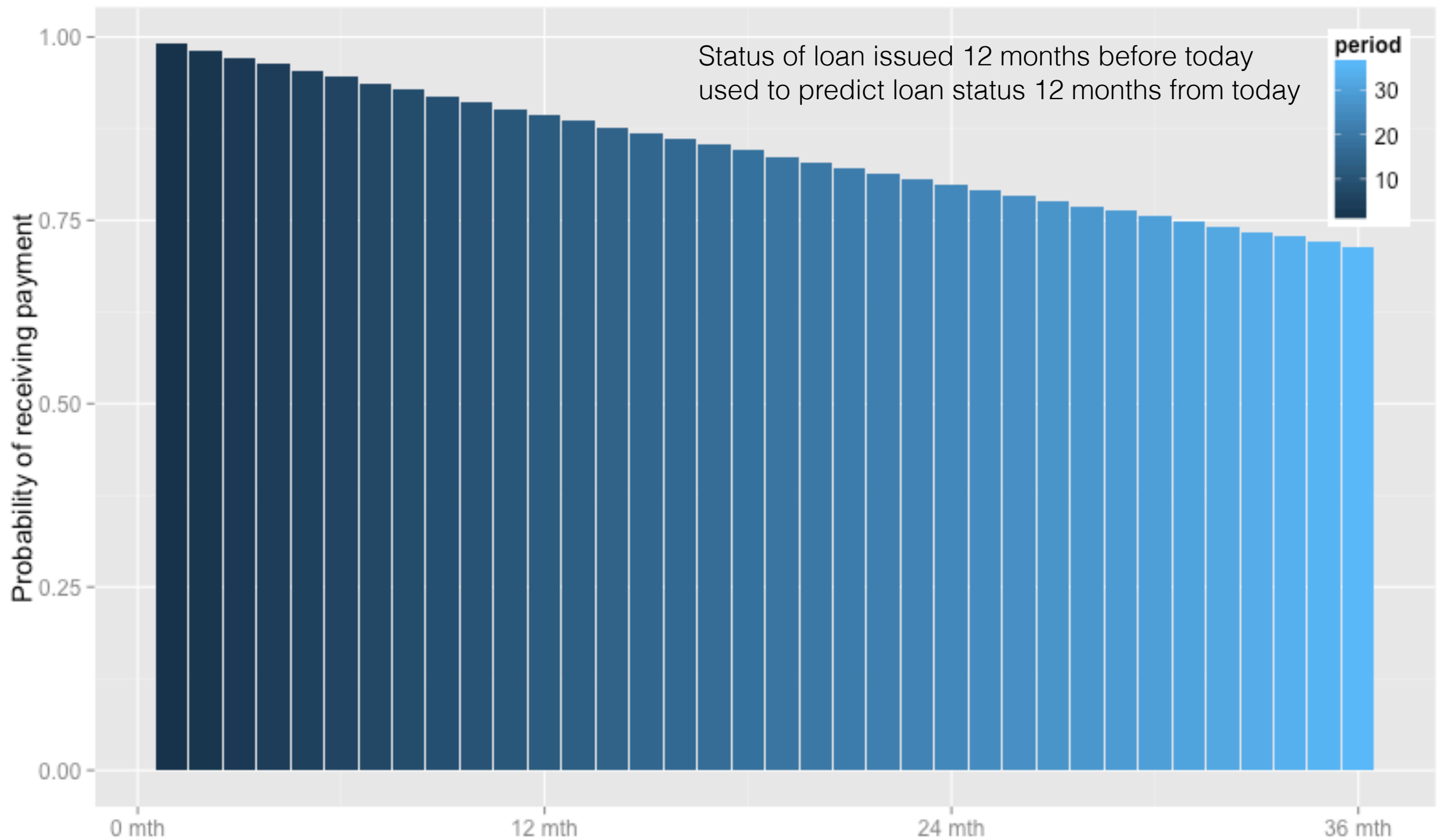


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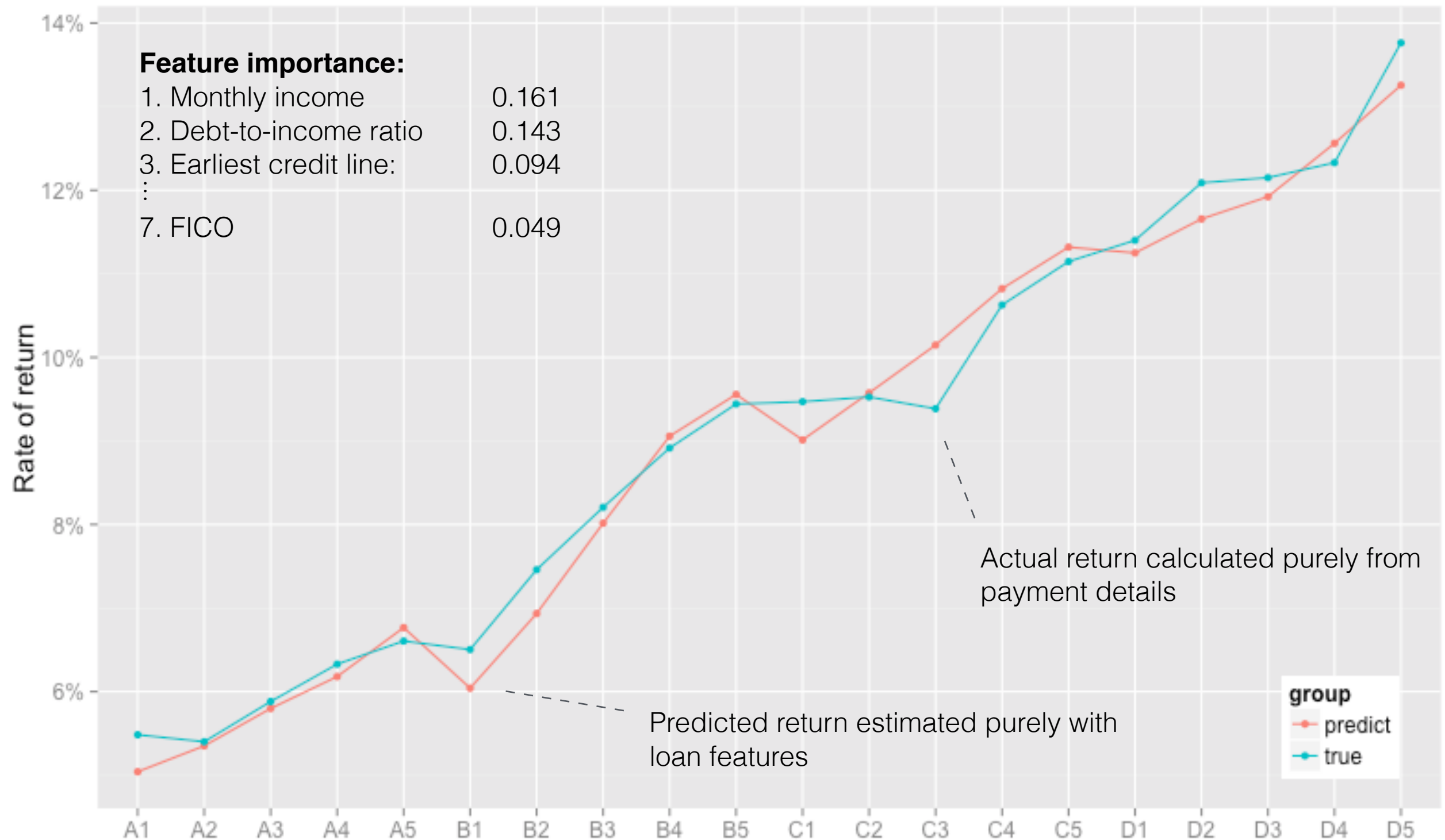
# Why before loan matures?



# What can we learn?



# Does the model work?



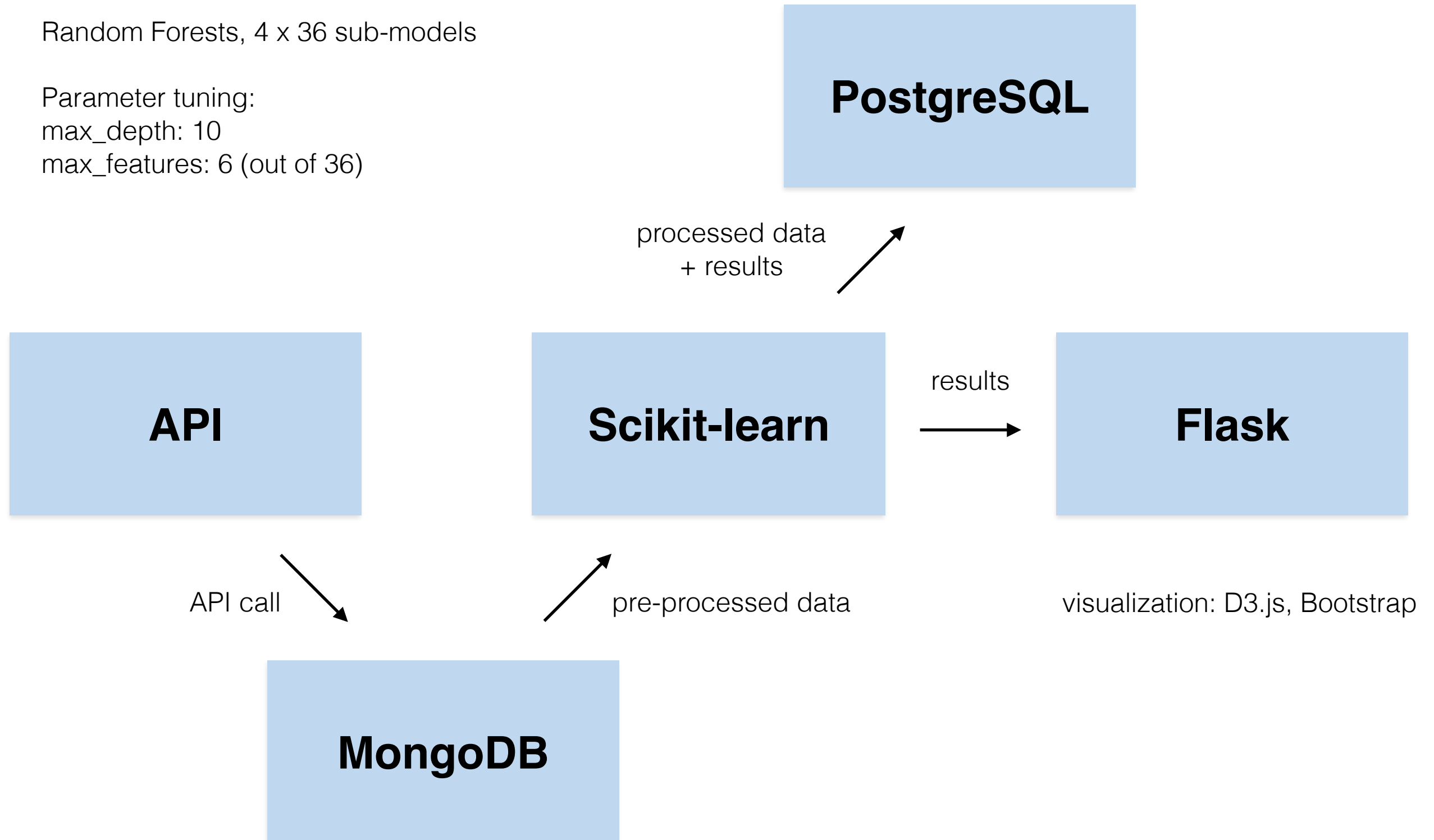
# Pipeline of data product

Random Forests, 4 x 36 sub-models

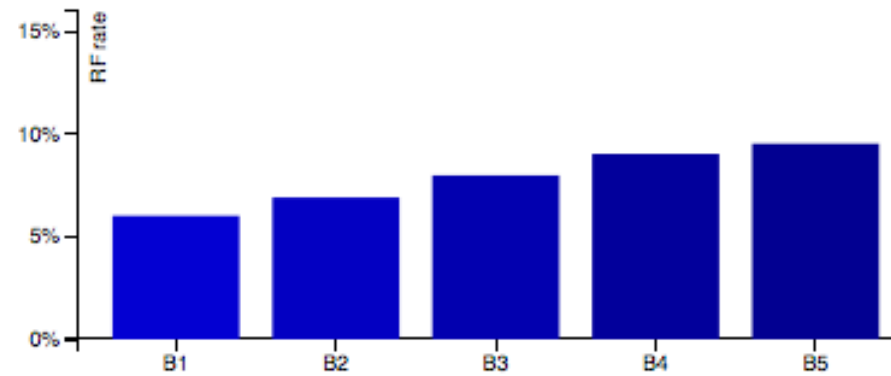
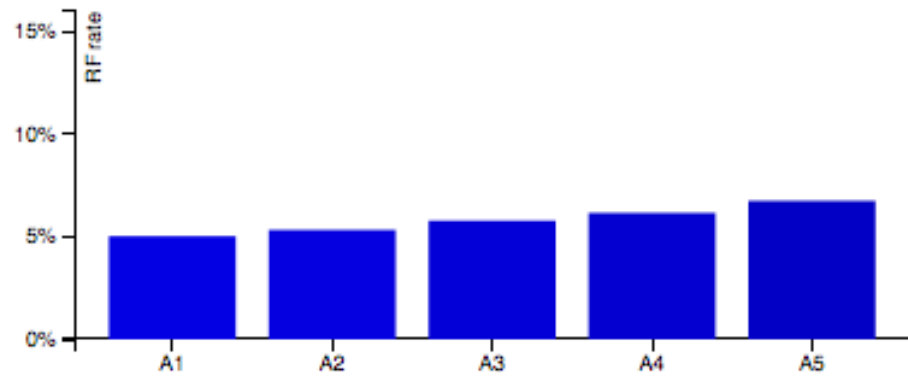
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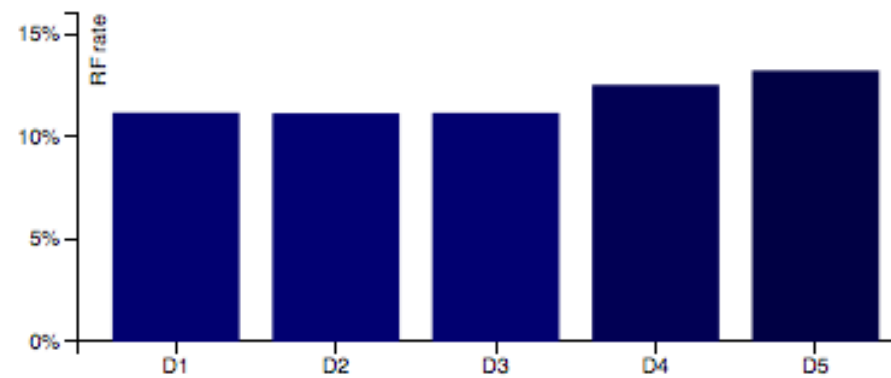
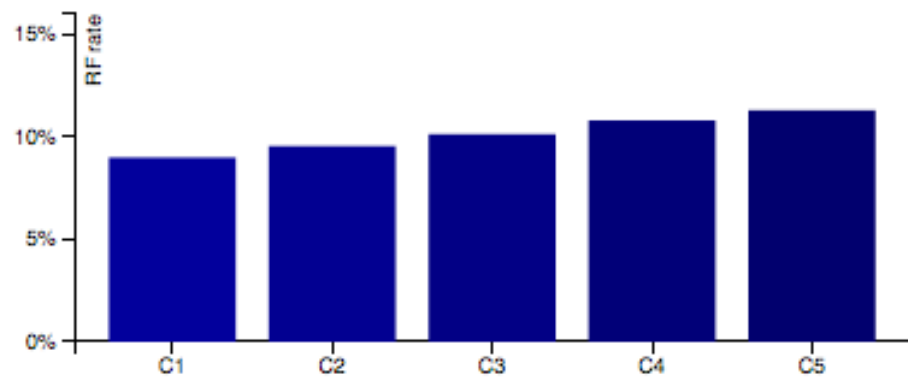
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# Screenshot



RF rate as risk-adjusted rate, charts show highest of each sub-grade



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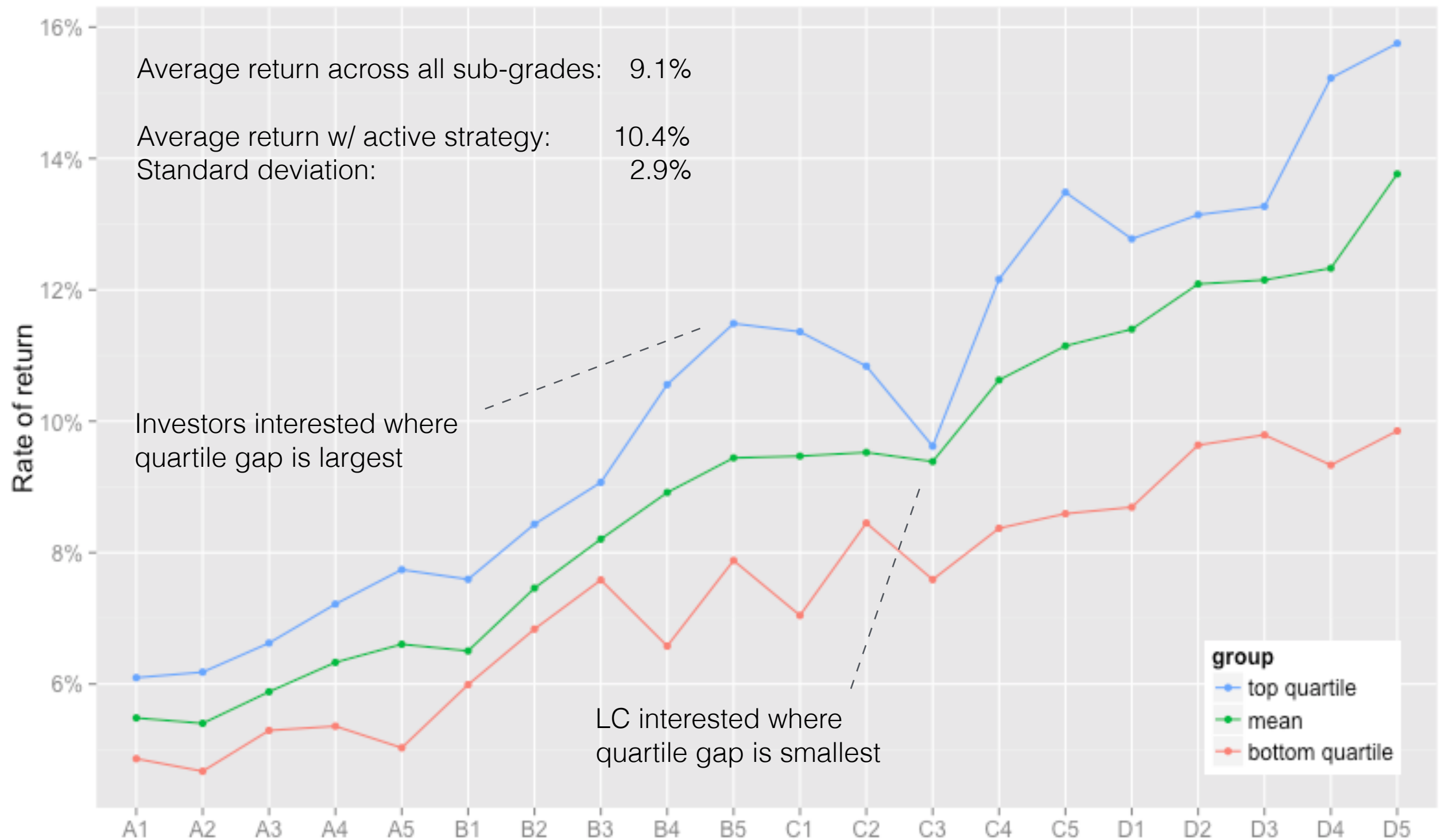
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Loan ID	Sub-grade	Term	Amount	% Funded	LC rate	RF rate	% Difference
41052193	B3	36 mth	\$25,000	51.0	9.99%	7.01%	30.0
41113241	A5	36 mth	\$6,000	83.0	7.89%	5.56%	29.0
41122115	A5	36 mth	\$24,000	69.0	7.89%	4.45%	44.0
41226320	A5	36 mth	\$6,000	70.0	7.89%	6.83%	13.0
41276202	B4	36 mth	\$7,200	38.0	10.99%	5.89%	46.0

Smallest difference b/w LC rate and RF rate indicate best risk-reward

# Why should I care?



**Domain knowledge**

**+**

**Machine learning**

**=**

**Deep insight**