



Objective & Methodology



Business Objective: The objective is to understand the driving factors behind loan default, i.e. variables which are strong indicators of default.

Methodology:

- Understanding the provided loan dataset with the objective to identify various variables.
- Perform EDA on the loan dataset.
- Determine the driving factors and attributes that are strong indicators for loan defaults.
- Finding trends on the basis of Count and Ratio of Charged Off loans using CrossTable in the below format and corresponding plot:

Each cell contains Count of combination and Ratio of Count with Row Total to determine %age of Charged off/Fully Paid

| Count | | Ratio |

Count refers Count of combination Ratio refers Ratio of Count with row total



Data Exploration, Data Cleaning and Data Manipulation



Data Exploration:

1. Data set contains 111 columns, however, we considered following for our analysis:

id	loan_amnt	term	int_rate	installment	grade
sub_grade	emp_length	home_ownership	annual_inc	verification_status	issue_d
loan_status	purpose	addr_state	dti	delinq_2yrs	inq_last_6mths
open_acc	pub_rec	revol_bal	revol_util	revol_util	_

- We have eliminated any fields that would not have been known at the time of issuance as we'll be trying to make decisions on loan investments using available pre-issuance data.
- We have also eliminate a few indicative data fields that are repetitive or too granular to be analyzed.
- 2. We have to find driving variables to determine defaulters, so just keeping "Charged Off" and "Fully Paid" loan_status and have removed "Current" as we cannot categorize the record into defaulter/non-defaulter.

Data Cleaning and Data Manipulation: Possible data inconsistencies are as follows:

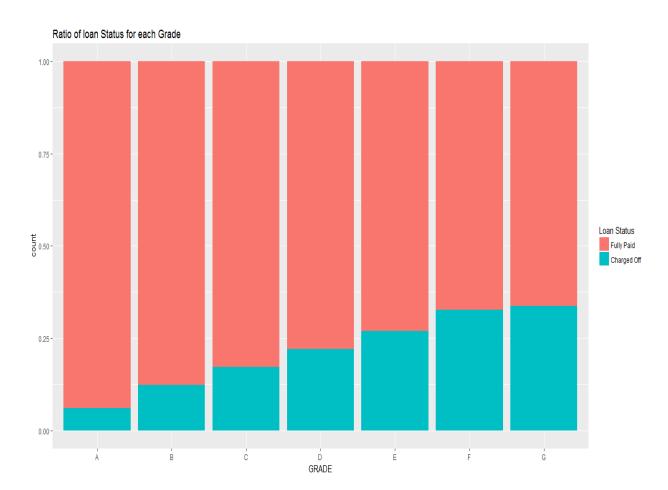
- Checking for any duplicate ids
- Check for missing values
- Removing extra space
- Extracting year and month from issue date
- Convert a required variables to factors
- Convert int_rate and revol_util into numeric



Analysis: Grades



loan\$grade	loan\$loan_sta Charged Off	atus Fully Paid	Row Total
Α	 602 0.060	9443 0.940	10045 0.260
В	1425 0.122	10250 0.878	11675 0.303
C	1347 0.172	6487 0.828	7834 0.203
D	1118 0.220	3967 0.780	 5085 0.132
E	715 0.268	1948 0.732	2663 0.069
F	319 0.327	 657 0.673	976 0.025
G	101 0.338	198 0.662	299 0.008
Column Total	5627	32950	38577

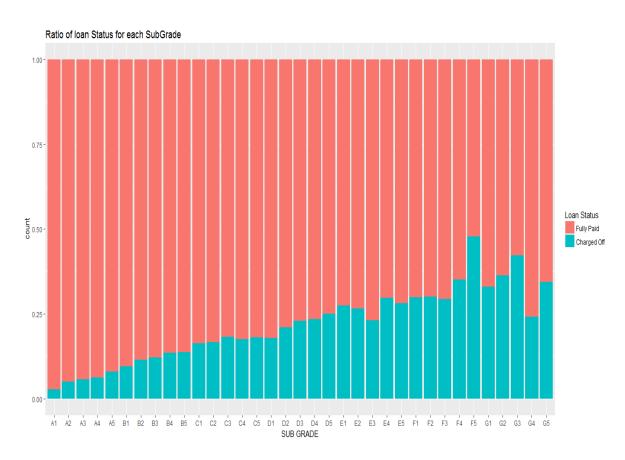


Default rate steadily increases as the loan grades worsen from A to G.



Analysis: Sub-Grades





Plot shows similar pattern to Grades, although the trend begins to weaken across the G1-G5.

In contrast to data points for the A1 to F5, there are fewer data points for G1-G5 and differences are not large enough to be significant. Hence, G1-G5 sub-grades can be ignored.

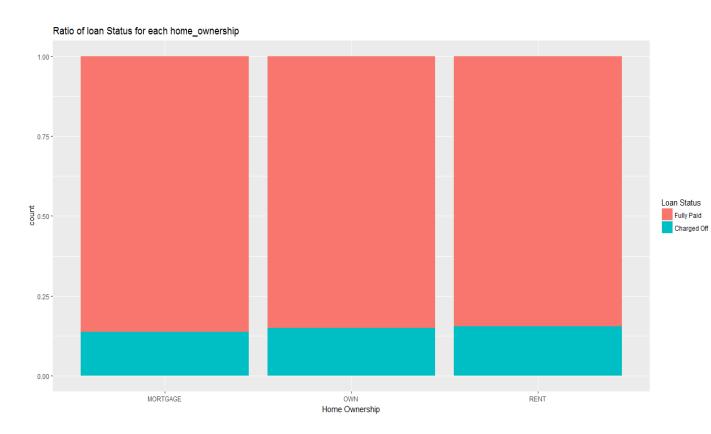
	Freque	ncy		Ratio	
	Charged Off	Fully Paid		Charged Off	
A1	30	1109	A1	0.0053	0.0337
A2	74	1434	A2	0.0132	0.0435
Α3	103	1707	A3	0.0183	0.0518
Α4	178	2695	A4	0.0316	0.0818
Α5	217	2498	A5	0.0386	0.0758
В1	171	1626	B1	0.0304	0.0493
В2	228	1773	В2	0.0405	0.0538
В3	341	2484	в3	0.0606	0.0754
В4	329	2108	в4	0.0585	0.0640
В5	356	2259	В5	0.0633	0.0686
C1	336	1719	c1	0.0597	0.0522
C2	321	1610	C2	0.0570	0.0489
C3	270	1218	С3	0.0480	0.0370
C4	212	994	C4	0.0377	0.0302
C5	208	946	C5	0.0370	0.0287
D1	167	764	D1	0.0297	0.0232
D2	271	1015	D2	0.0482	0.0308
D3	256	860	D3	0.0455	0.0261
D4	215	703	D4	0.0382	0.0213
D5	209	625	D5	0.0371	0.0190
E1	198	524	E1	0.0352	0.0159
E2	163	451	E2	0.0290	0.0137
E3	119	397	E3	0.0211	0.0120
E4	126	298	E4	0.0224	0.0090
E5	109	278	E5	0.0194	0.0084
F1	91	214	F1	0.0162	0.0065
F2	70	163	F2	0.0124	0.0049
F3	51	123	F3	0.0091	0.0037
F4	53	98	F4	0.0094	0.0030
F5	54	59	F5	0.0096	0.0018
G1	31	63	G1	0.0055	0.0019
G2	28	49	G2	0.0050	0.0015
G3	19	26	G3	0.0034	0.0008
G4	13	41	G4	0.0023	0.0012
G5	10	19	G5	0.0018	0.0006
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Analysis: Home Ownership



loan1\$home_ownership	loan1\$loan_st Charged Off		Row Total
MORTGAGE	2327 0.137	14694 0.863	17021 0.442
OWN	443 0.149	2532 0.851	2975
RENT	2839 0.154	15641 0.846	18480 0.480
Column Total	5609	32867	38476



Those with Mortgages default (Charged off) the least, followed by those who own their own homes.



Analysis: Loan Purpose



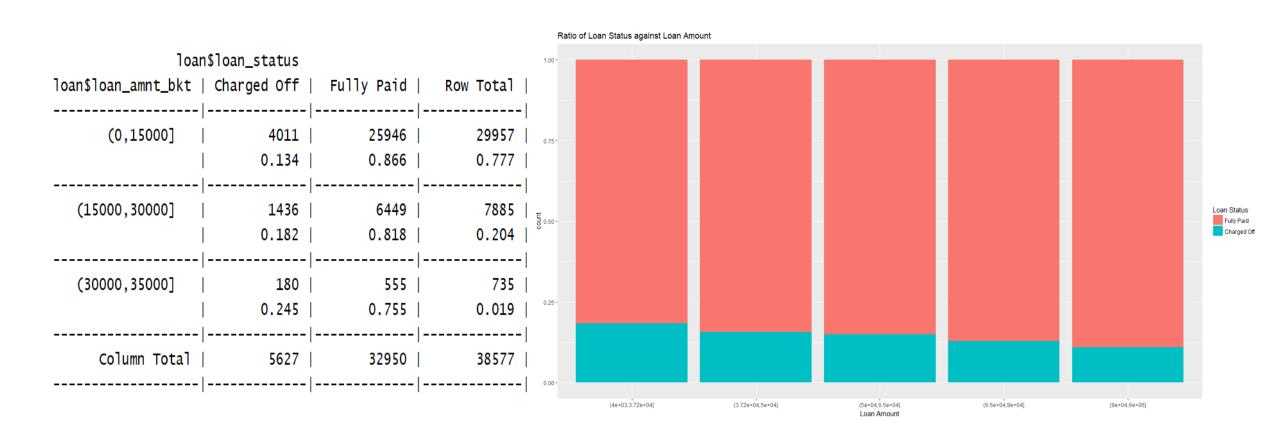
Ioan\$purpose		Fully Paid			Ratio of lo	an Status	for each Lo	oan Purpos	e										
car	160 0.107	1339 0.893	1499 0.039	1.00 -															
credit_card	542 0.108	4485 0.892	5027 0.130																
debt_consolidation	2767 0.153	15288 0.847	18055 0.468																
educat1onal	56 0.172	269 0.828	325 0.008	0.75															
home_1mprovement	347 0.121	2528 0.879	2875 0.075																
house	59 0.161	308	367 0.010																
major_purchase	222 0.103	1928 0.897	2150 0.056	j = 0.50															Loan Status Fully Paid
med1cal	106 0.156	575 0.844	681 0.018	8															Charged Off
movıng	92 0.160	484 0.840	576 0.015																
other	633 0.164	3232 0.836	3865 0.100																
renewable_energy	19 0.186	83 0.814	102 0.003	0.25															
small_business	475 0.271	1279 0.729	1754 0.045																
vacat10n	53 0.141	322 0.859	375 0.010	İ															
wedding	96 0.104	830 0.896	926 0.024	0.00	car	credit card	debt consolida	tioneducational	ome improven	ment house	major_purchas	se medical	moving	other r	enewable_ener	small busines	s vacation	wedding	
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Loan purpose refers to the borrower's stated reason for taking out the loan. Here, loan status for Small business is very poor.



Analysis: Loan Amount





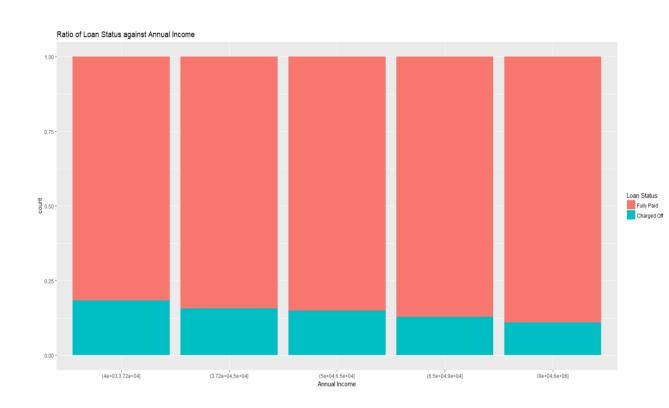
As the amount borrowed increases, we see increasing rates of defaulting loans



Analysis: Annual Income



loan\$annual_inc_bkt	loan\$loan_sta Charged Off	atus Fully Paid	Row Total
(4e+03,3.72e+04]	1413 0.183	6302 0.817	7715 0.200
(3.72e+04,5e+04]	1219	6549	7768
	0.157	0.843	0.201
(5e+04,6.5e+04]	1149	6530	7679
	0.150	0.850	0.199
(6.5e+04,9e+04]	1028	6901	7929
	0.130	0.870	0.206
(9e+04,6e+06]	818	6667	7485
	0.109	0.891	0.194
Column Total	5627	32949	38576



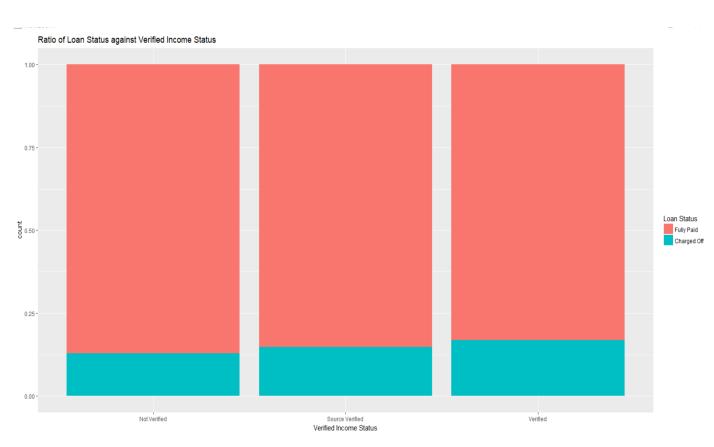
The higher a borrower's annual income the less likely they are to default to repay their loans.



Analysis: Verified Income Status



loan\$verification_status	loan\$loan_sta Charged Off	itus Fully Paid	Row Total
Not Verified	2142	14552 0.872	16694 0.433
Source Verified	1434 0.148	8243 0.852	9677 0.251
Verified	2051 0.168	10155 0.832	12206 0.316
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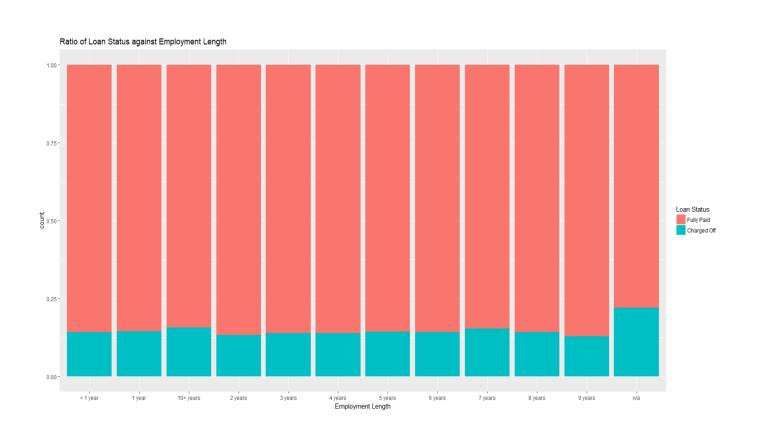
Interestingly, we see that as income verification increases, the loan performance actually worsens.



Analysis: Employment Length



loan\$emp_length	loan\$loan_sta Charged Off		Row Total
< 1 year	639	3869	4508
	0.142	0.858	0.117
1 year	456	2713	3169
	0.144	0.856	0.082
10+ years	1331	7157	8488
	0.157	0.843	0.220
2 years	567	3724	4291
	0.132	0.868	0.111
3 years	555	3457	4012
	0.138	0.862	0.104
4 years	462	2880	3342
	0.138	0.862	0.087
5 years	458	2736	3194
	0.143	0.857	0.083
6 years	307	1861	2168
	0.142	0.858	0.056
7 years	263	1448	1711
	0.154	0.846	0.044
8 years	203	1232	1435
	0.141	0.859	0.037
9 years	158	1068	1226
	0.129	0.871	0.032
n/a	228	805	1033
	0.221	0.779	0.027
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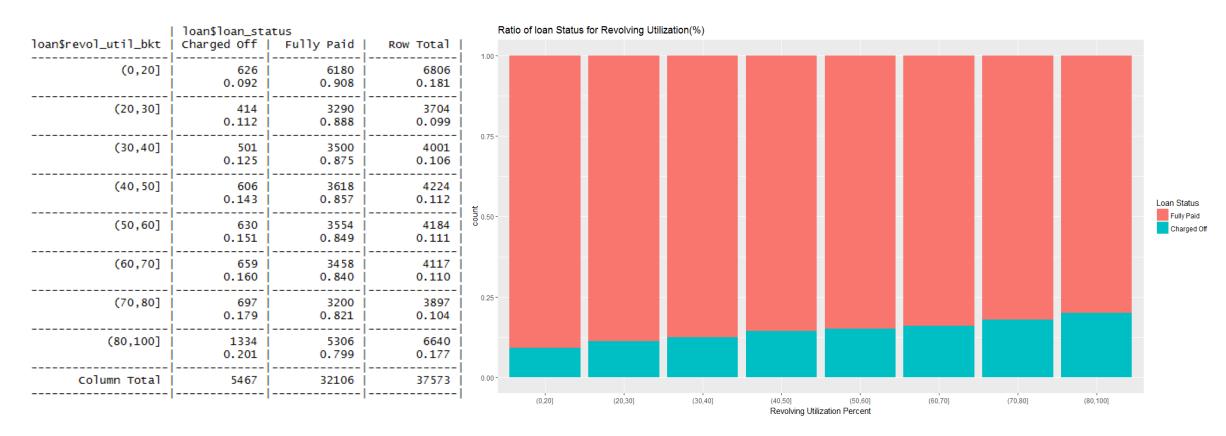


Assuming NA as Unemployed/Self-employed/Not mentioned, it clearly depicts that the unemployed are most likely to default.



Analysis: Revolving Utilization Percent



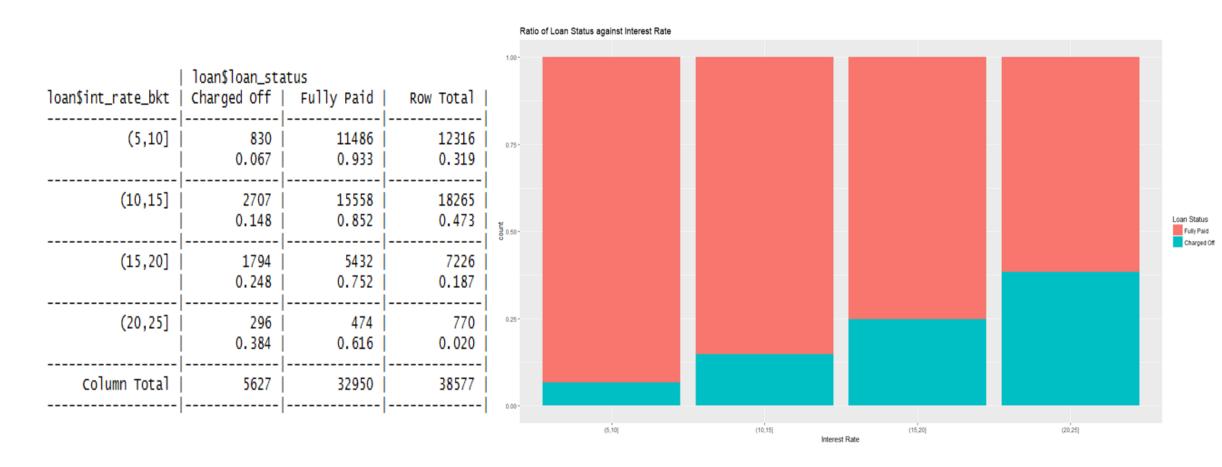


The percentage of defaulting loans steadily increases with utilization rate. Borrowers with high utilization rates are more likely to have high fixed credit card payments which might affect their ability to repay their loans.



Analysis: Interest Rate



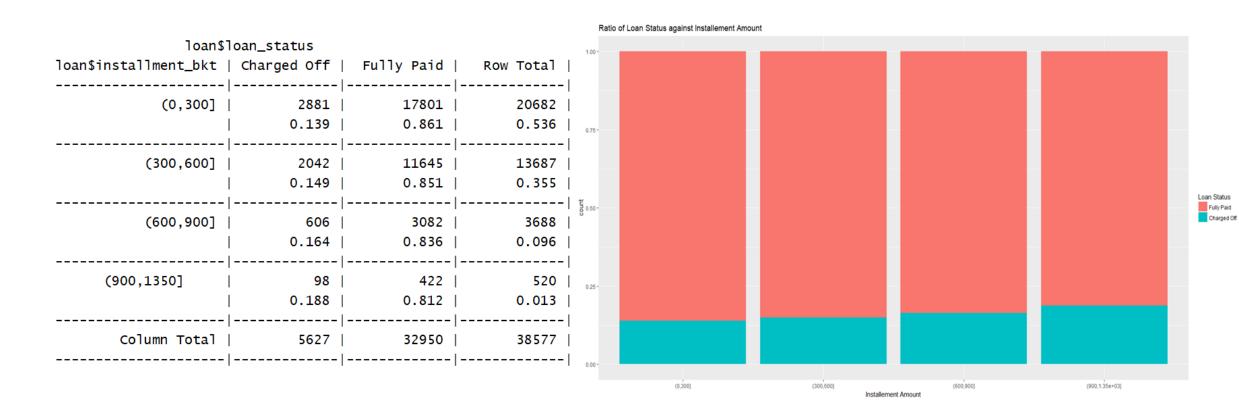


Number of Defaulters increase with increase in interest rates.



Analysis: Instalment Amount



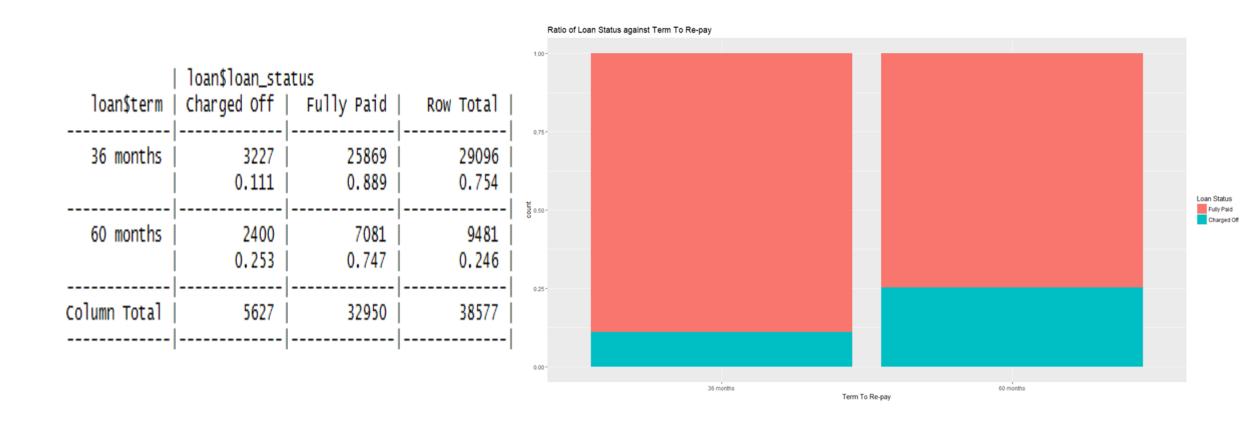


As the instalment amount increases the defaulter's percentage increases as well.



Analysis: Term To Re-pay





The plot clearly shows that 36 month term has more probability of getting Charged Off.



EDA Case Study Conclusion



Grade and **Sub-grade** variables provide the most predictive power for determining expected loan performance.

A large number of the other variables also provide strong indications of expected performance, most descriptive among them are:

- Grades/ Sub-grades /Interest Rates
- Home Ownership Status
- Loan Purpose
- Loan Amount
- Annual Income
- Verified Income Status
- Employment Length
- Revolving Utilization Percent
- Instalment Amount
- Term to Re-pay

Verified income status and show results opposite from what we would expect. This is likely due to increased standards on borrowers with poorer credit history, so all else equal we see outperformance in these loans.