

## Project

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### Loan Data from Prosper

This data set contains 113,937 loans with 81 variables on each loan, including loan amount, borrower rate (or interest rate), current loan status, borrower income, borrower employment status, borrower credit history, and the latest payment information.

The dimension of Prosper Loan Dataset

```
dim(pr)
## [1] 113937      81
```

In total there are 81 variables that corresponding to each loan In order better understand the dataset, in this analysis, 19 variables will be selected.

```
pr <- subset(pr, select = c('LoanStatus',
                             'BorrowerAPR',
                             'BorrowerRate',
                             'LenderYield',
                             'ProsperScore',
                             'BorrowerState',
                             'Occupation',
                             'EmploymentStatus',
                             'IsBorrowerHomeowner',
                             'TotalCreditLinespast7years',
                             'TotalInquiries',
                             'BankcardUtilization',
                             'AvailableBankcardCredit',
                             'IncomeRange',
                             'IncomeVerifiable',
                             'LoanOriginalAmount',
                             'LoanOriginationDate',
                             'MonthlyLoanPayment',
                             'Investors'
                           ))

str(pr)
## 'data.frame':    113937 obs. of  19 variables:
## $ LoanStatus      : Factor w/ 12 levels
## "Cancelled","Chargedoff",...: 3 4 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
```

```
## $ BorrowerAPR : num 0.165 0.12 0.283 0.125 0.246 ...
## $ BorrowerRate : num 0.158 0.092 0.275 0.0974 0.2085 ...
## $ LenderYield : num 0.138 0.082 0.24 0.0874 0.1985 ...
## $ ProsperScore : num NA 7 NA 9 4 10 2 4 9 11 ...
## $ BorrowerState : Factor w/ 52 levels "", "AK", "AL", "AR", ...: 7
7 12 12 25 34 18 6 16 16 ...
## $ Occupation : Factor w/ 68 levels "", "Accountant/CPA", ...:
37 43 37 52 21 43 50 29 24 24 ...
## $ EmploymentStatus : Factor w/ 9 levels "", "Employed", ...: 9 2 4
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ IsBorrowerHomeowner : Factor w/ 2 levels "False", "True": 2 1 1 2
2 2 1 1 2 2 ...
## $ TotalCreditLinespast7years: int 12 29 3 29 49 49 20 10 32 32 ...
## $ TotalInquiries : num 3 5 1 1 9 2 0 16 6 6 ...
## $ BankcardUtilization : num 0 0.21 NA 0.04 0.81 0.39 0.72 0.13
0.11 0.11 ...
## $ AvailableBankcardCredit : num 1500 10266 NA 30754 695 ...
## $ IncomeRange : Factor w/ 8 levels "$0", "$1-24,999", ...: 4 5
7 4 3 3 4 4 4 4 ...
## $ IncomeVerifiable : Factor w/ 2 levels "False", "True": 2 2 2 2
2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ LoanOriginalAmount : int 9425 10000 3001 10000 15000 15000 3000
10000 10000 10000 ...
## $ LoanOriginationDate : Factor w/ 1873 levels "2005-11-15
00:00:00", ...: 426 1866 260 1535 1757 1821 1649 1666 1813 1813 ...
## $ MonthlyLoanPayment : num 330 319 123 321 564 ...
## $ Investors : int 258 1 41 158 20 1 1 1 1 1 ...
```

## Univariate Plots Section

Prosper Score measures the loan applicant's risk level, the higher the score the lower the risk to lend.

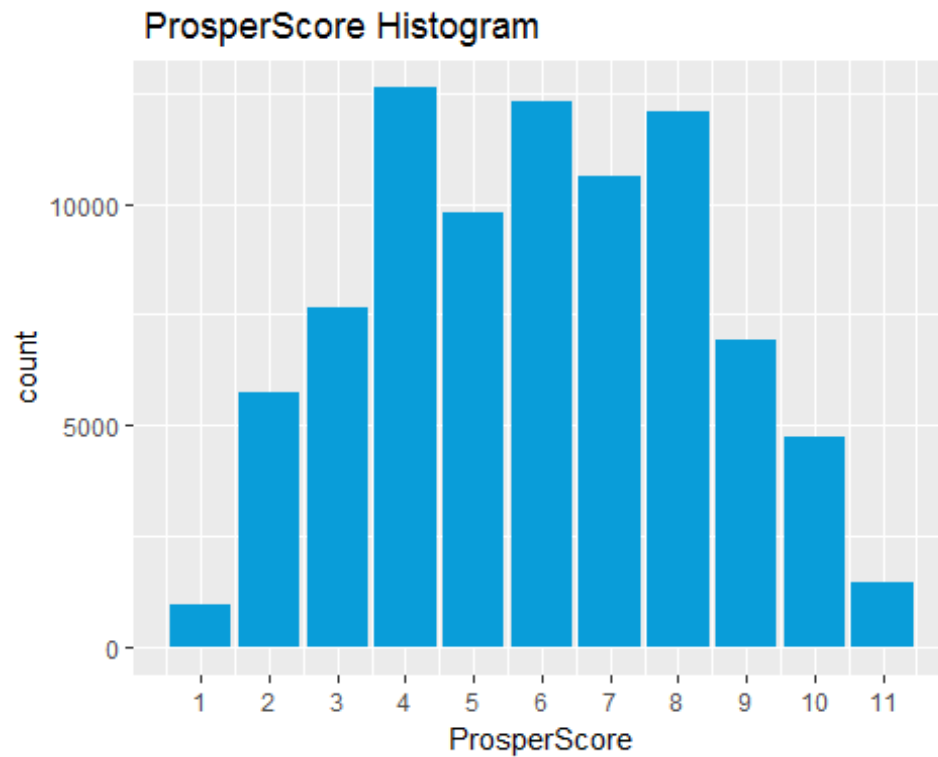
```
summary(pr$ProsperScore)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.     Max.    NA's
##      1.00   4.00   6.00   5.95   8.00   11.00   29084
```

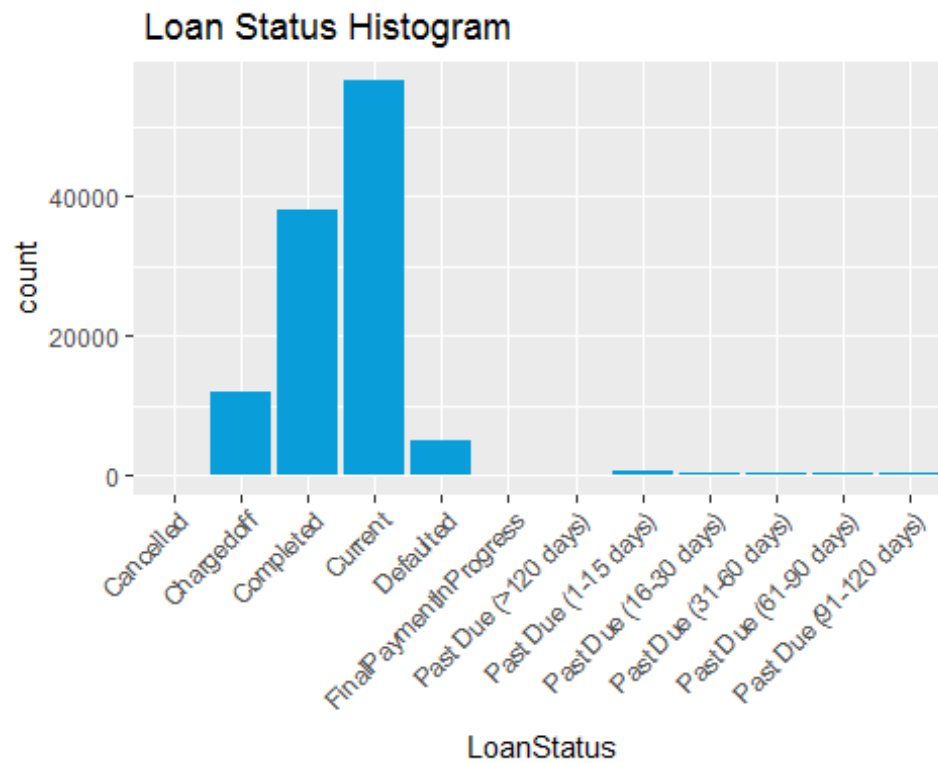
```
table(pr$ProsperScore)
```

```
##
##      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9     10     11
##  992  5766  7642 12595  9813 12278 10597 12053  6911  4750  1456
```

The Highest score is 11 and the score distribution would be better presented by the following chart.



From the histogram, the majority of the ProserScore are 4, 6, and 8

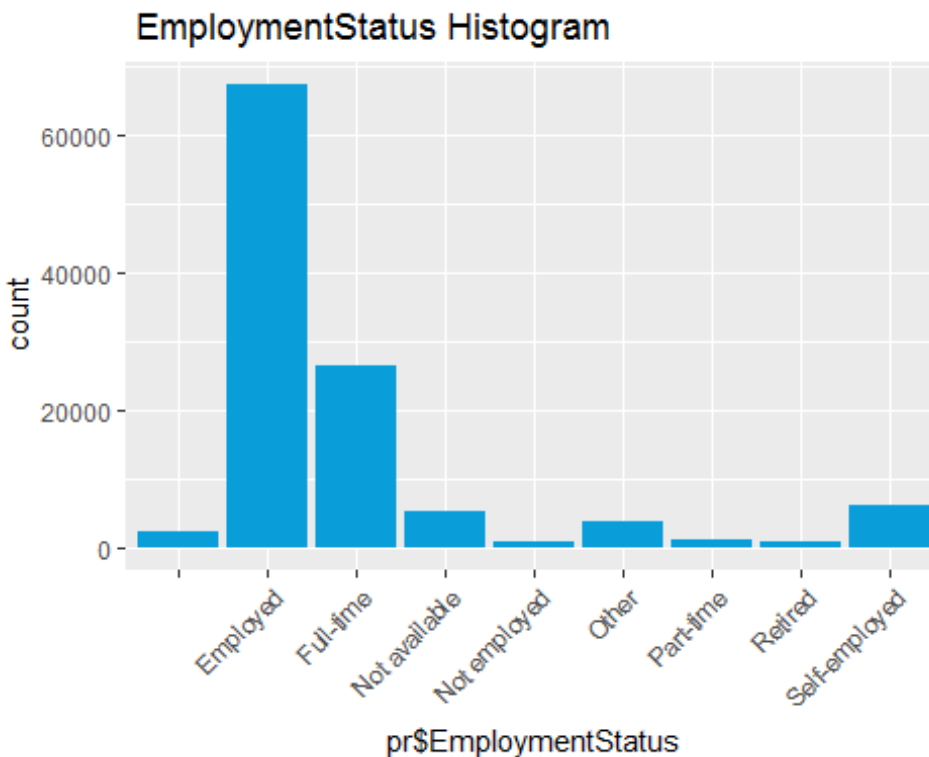


Most of the loan are current and the second is the completed loans

```
summary(pr$LoanStatus)
```

```
##           Cancelled           Chargedoff           Completed
##                5           11992           38074
##           Current           Defaulted FinalPaymentInProgress
##          56576           5018           205
## Past Due (>120 days) Past Due (1-15 days) Past Due (16-30 days)
##                16           806           265
## Past Due (31-60 days) Past Due (61-90 days) Past Due (91-120 days)
##               363           313           304
```

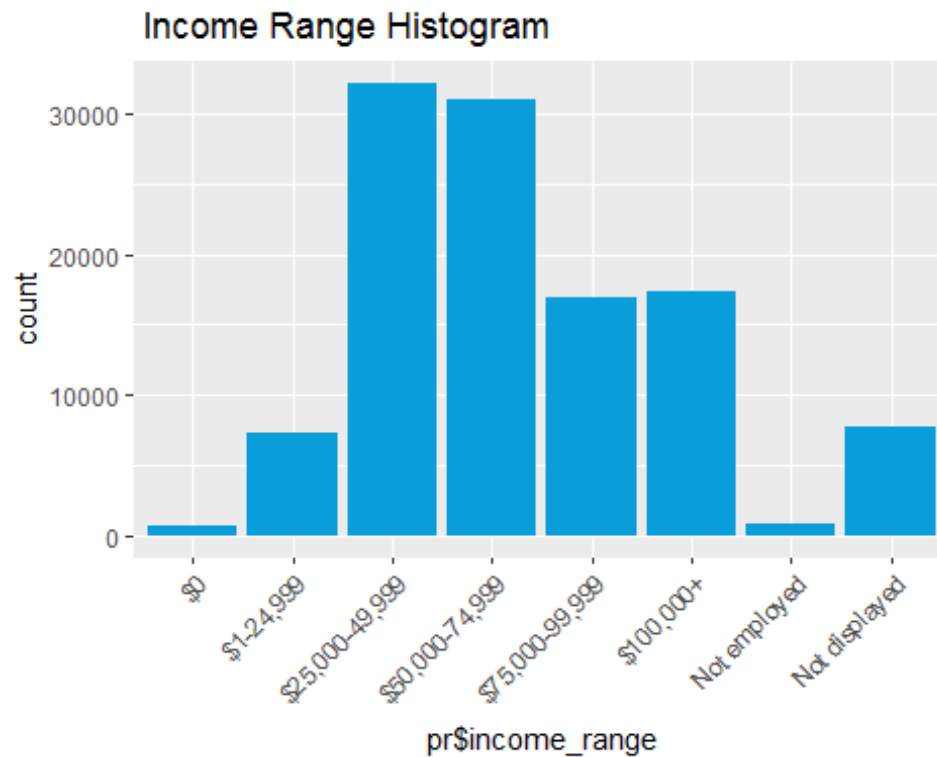
Creating a new variabel income\_range to better format the IncomeRange variable



The loan data mostly coming from people who works employed or full time.

```
summary(pr$EmploymentStatus)
```

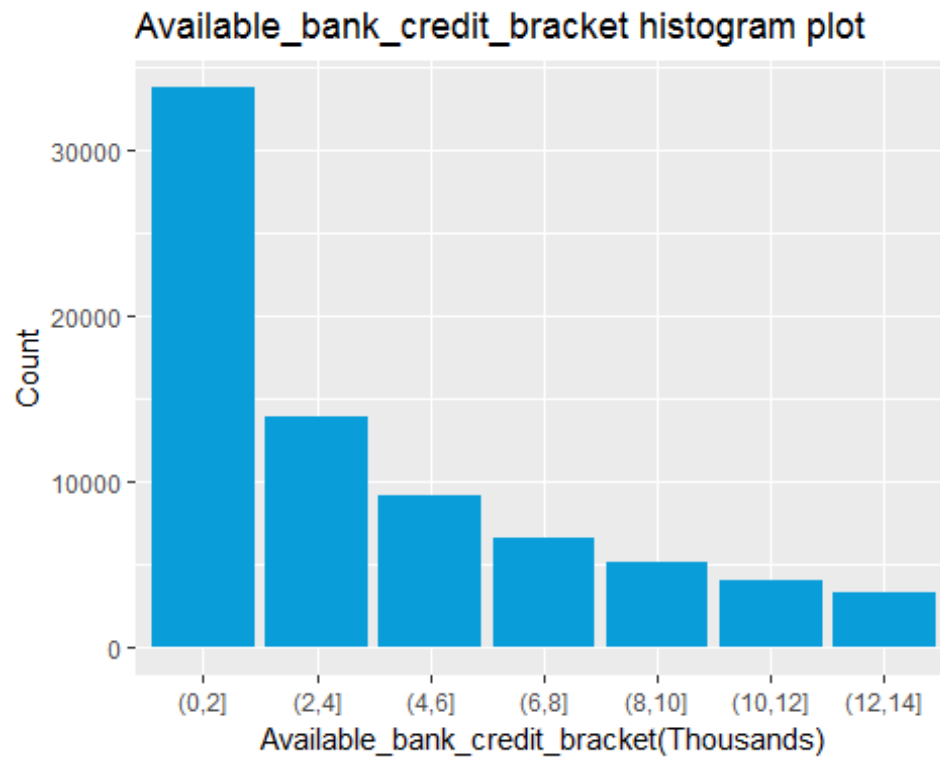
```
##           Employed           Full-time Not available           Not employed
##          2255           67322           26355           5347           835
##           Other           Part-time           Retired           Self-employed
##          3806           1088           795           6134
```



People whose income is between \$25,000 and \$100,000 applied for the loans.

```
summary(pr$income_range)
```

```
##           $0           $1-24,999 $25,000-49,999 $50,000-74,999 $75,000-99,999
##           621           7274           32192           31050           16916
##    $100,000+ Not employed Not displayed
##           17337           806           7741
```

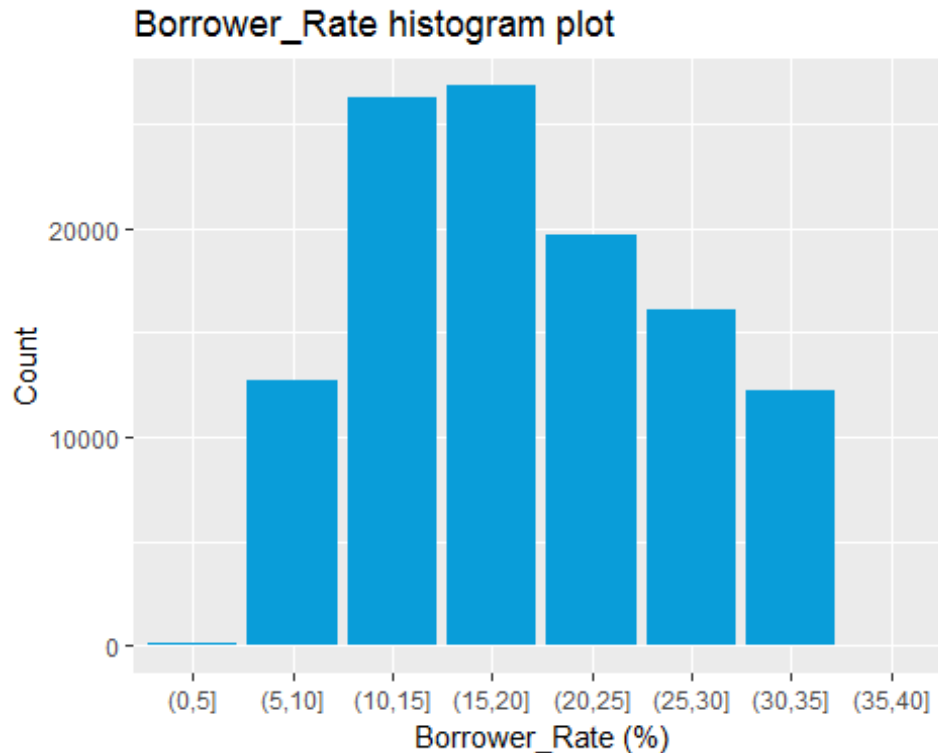


Based on the available bank credit breakdown, most of the borrowers have the credit less than 6,000.

```
summary(pr$available_bank_credit_bracket)
```

##	(0,2]	(2,4]	(4,6]	(6,8]	(8,10]	(10,12]	(12,14]	NA's
##	33758	14002	9200	6676	5176	4055	3295	37775

Summary of available\_bank\_credit\_bracket



Borrowers' interest rates are between 0 to 35%.

```
summary(pr$AvailableBankcardCredit)
```

##	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.	NA's
##	0	880	4100	11210	13180	646300	7544

Summary of AvailableBankcardCredit

```
summary(pr$available_bank_credit_bracket)
```

##	(0,2]	(2,4]	(4,6]	(6,8]	(8,10]	(10,12]	(12,14]	NA's
##	33758	14002	9200	6676	5176	4055	3295	37775

Summary of available\_bank\_credit\_bracket

## Univariate Analysis

### What is the structure of your dataset?

The ProsperLoan data have 113937 observations and 19 variables. ProsperScore: A custom risk score built using historical Prosper data. The score ranges from 1-10, with 10 being the best, or lowest risk score.

Applicable for loans originated after July 2009. Loanstatus: Completed, Current, Past Due (1-15 days), Defaulted, Chargedoff, Past Due (16-30 days), Cancelled, Past Due (61-90 days), Past Due (31-60 days), Past Due (91-120 days)

EmploymentStatus:Self-employed, Employed, Not available, Full-time, Other, Not employed, Part-time, Retired

IncomeRange: \$0, \$1-24,999, \$25,000-49,999, \$50,000-74,999, \$75,000-99,999, \$100,000+, Not employed, Not displayed

### **What is/are the main feature(s) of interest in your dataset?**

The main feature is the ProsperScore, which measures the risk ability of the loan itself, versus the BorrowerRate

### **What other features in the dataset do you think will help support your investigation into your feature(s) of interest?**

The loan applicants' occupation, income, bankcard utilization, available bank card credit and other variables might impact the risk score when valued by the Prosper Company

### **Did you create any new variables from existing variables in the dataset?**

Yes, I created the new variable range\_new to reorder the income range variable in an ascending order.

### **Of the features you investigated, were there any unusual distributions?**

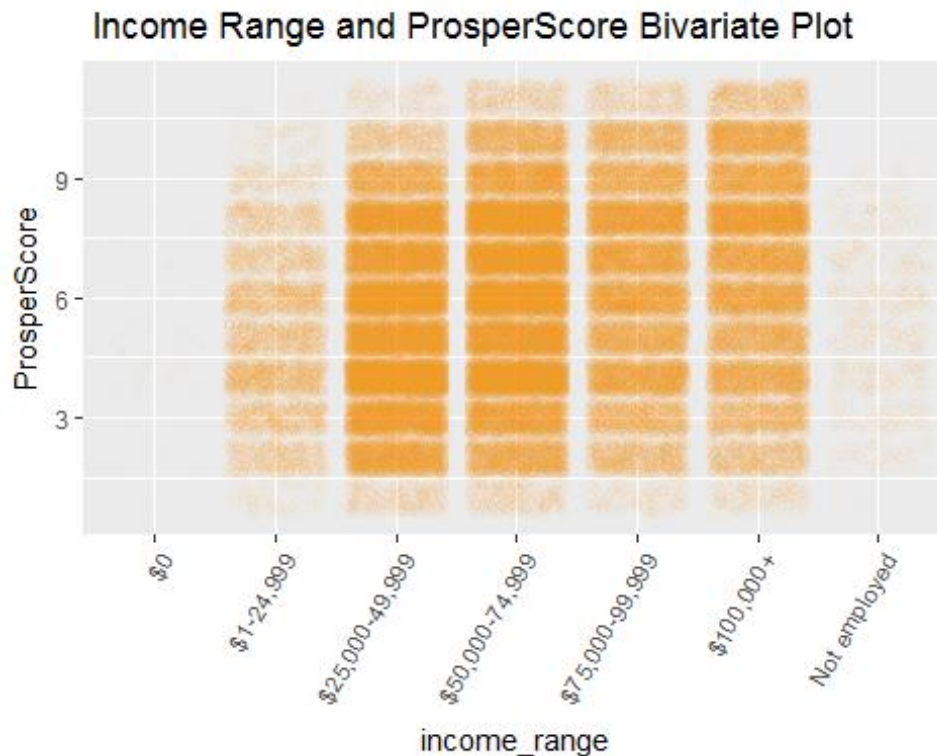
### **Did you perform any operations on the data to tidy,**

adjust, or change the form of the data? If so, why did you do this?

Yes. I did select 19 variables out of 81 in total. The reason for this is that not all the variables are relevant in determining the Prosper Score.



## Bivariate Plots Section

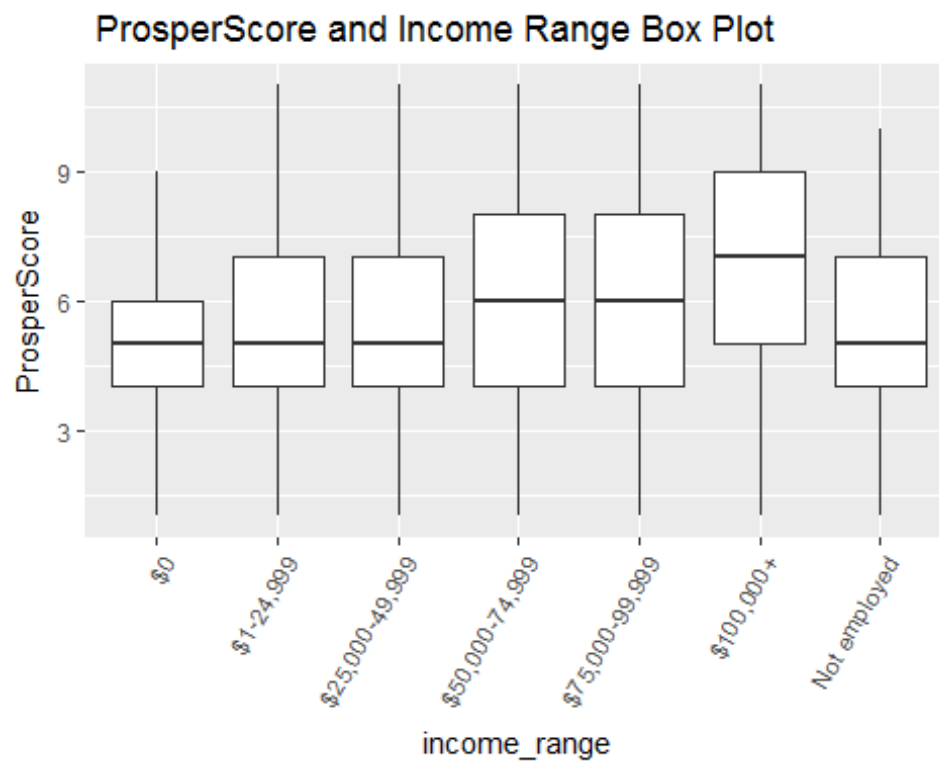


For applicants with lower income, the Prosper Score seems lower than 6, and for people with higher income, the ProsperScore seems higher, which means less risk.

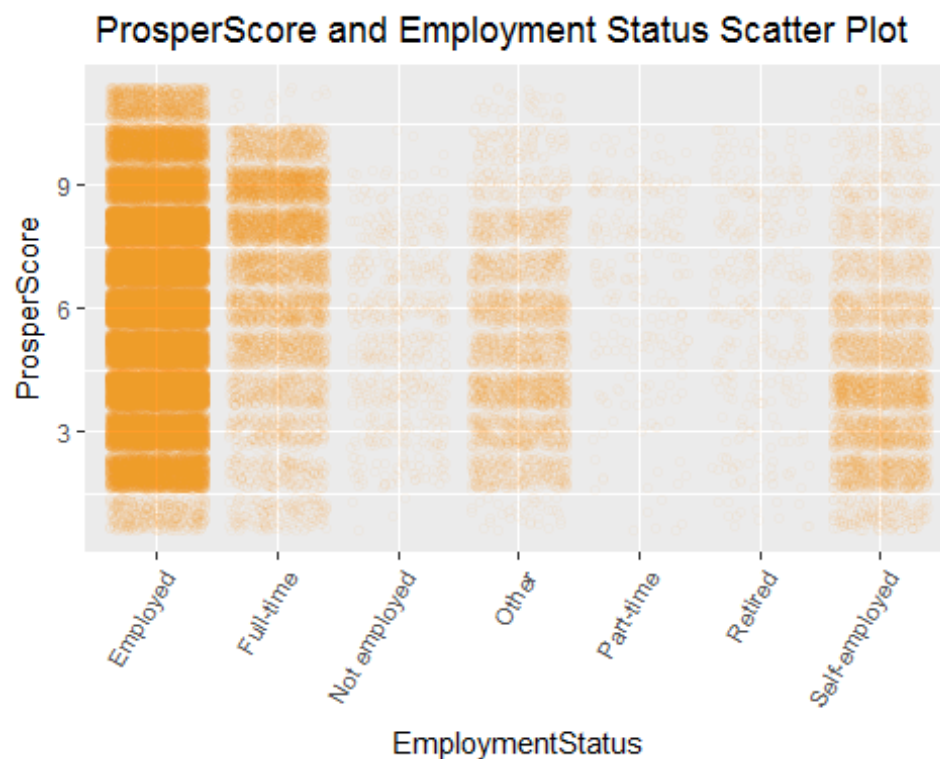
```
lapply( pr$ProsperScore, pr$income_range,summary)
```

```
## $`$0`  
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.      NA's  
##      1.0    4.0    5.0    4.6    6.0    9.0    576  
##  
## $`$1-24,999`  
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.      NA's  
##      1.000  4.000  5.000  5.093  7.000 11.000  2620  
##  
## $`$25,000-49,999`  
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.      NA's  
##      1.000  4.000  5.000  5.424  7.000 11.000  8017  
##  
## $`$50,000-74,999`  
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.      NA's  
##      1.000  4.000  6.000  5.957  8.000 11.000  5423  
##  
## $`$75,000-99,999`  
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.      NA's  
##      1.000  4.000  6.000  6.297  8.000 11.000  2418  
##
```

```
## $`$100,000+`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##   1.000   5.000   7.000   6.738   9.000   11.000   2132
##
## $`Not employed`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##   1.000   4.000   5.000   5.308   7.000   10.000   157
##
## $`Not displayed`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##   NA      NA      NA      NaN    NA      NA      7741
```



From the box plot we can see it more clearly, the median of people of income greater than \$50,000 is much higher than people with income less than \$50,000

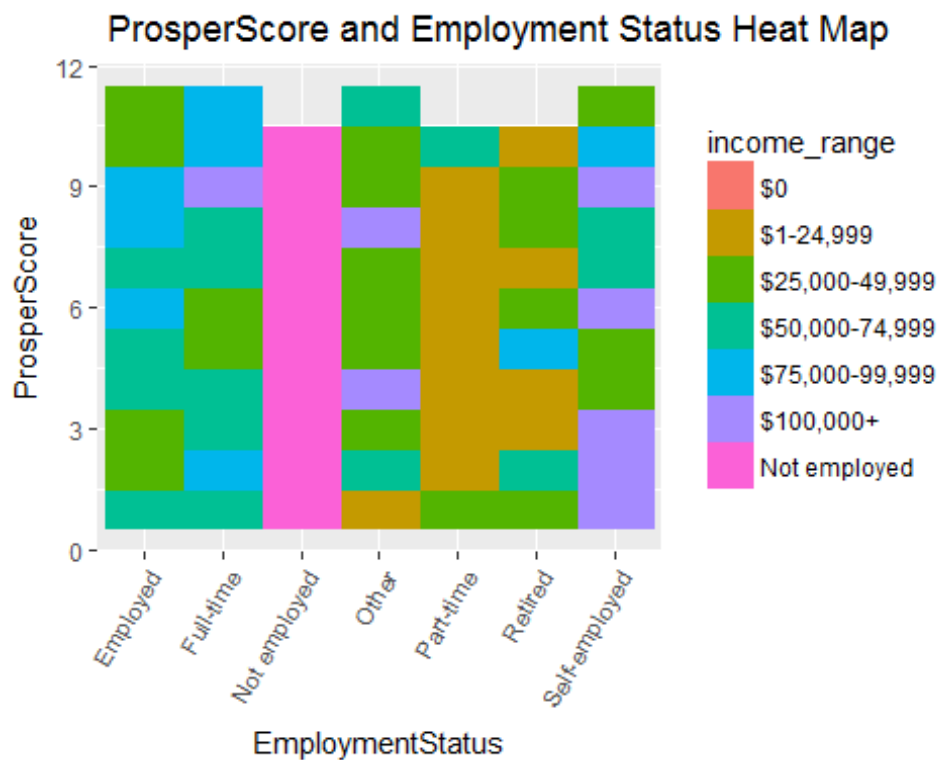


If we compare ProsperScore with employment status, clearly, full time employees will have greater ProperScore, and therefore, less risky to lend money to them

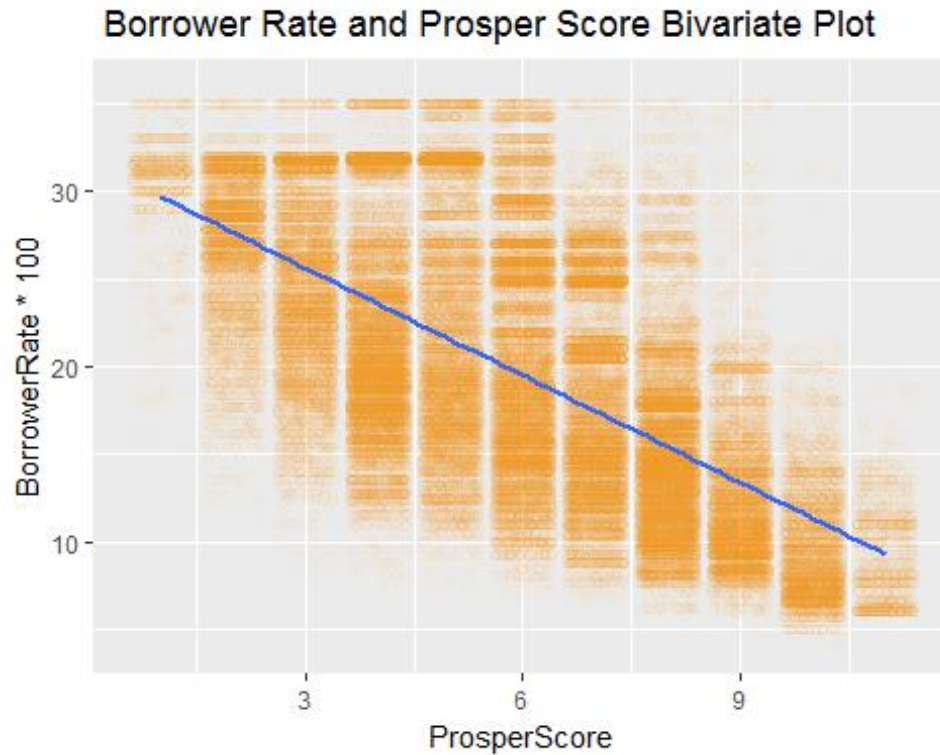
```
tapply( pr$ProsperScore, pr$EmploymentStatus,summary)

## [[1]]
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##      NA      NA      NA     NaN     NA      NA    2255
##
## $Employed
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##  1.000  4.000  6.000  5.973  8.000  11.000     12
##
## $`Full-time`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##  1.000  6.000  8.000  7.006  9.000  11.000  18428
##
## $`Not available`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##      NA      NA      NA     NaN     NA      NA    5347
##
## $`Not employed`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##  1.000  4.000  5.000  5.308  7.000  10.000    186
##
## $Other
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
```

```
## 1.000 4.000 5.000 5.167 7.000 11.000
##
## $`Part-time`
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's
## 1.000 5.000 7.000 6.801 9.000 10.000 832
##
## $Retired
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's
## 1.000 5.000 7.000 6.237 8.000 10.000 428
##
## $`Self-employed`
## Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's
## 1.000 3.000 4.000 4.444 6.000 11.000 1596
```



It is clearer to see from the heat map that employed and full time workers who have above average income will have higher Prosper Score. Meanwhile, for some self employed applicants, even though the income range is above \$100,000, the Prosper Score is extremely low, indicating higher risk than other applicants with considerably lower income.



Unsurprisingly, applicants with higher prosper score seem to have lower borrow rate.

Summary for Prosper Score and Borrower Rate(%)

```
tapply(pr$BorrowerRate*100, pr$ProsperScore, summary)
```

```
## $`1`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  10.99  29.99   31.23   30.21  31.77   35.00
##
## $`2`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##  10.50  24.92   27.86   27.12  30.32   36.00
##
## $`3`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##   8.09  21.00   24.88   24.79  29.25   35.00
##
## $`4`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##   7.16  17.90   21.24   22.54  26.99   36.00
##
## $`5`
##   Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##   7.16  17.15   21.99   22.91  30.58   36.00
##
## $`6`
```

```

##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      6.99  15.35   19.40   20.62  25.99   35.00
##
## $`7`
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      6.59  13.85   17.60   18.51  24.68   35.00
##
## $`8`
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      5.86  11.39   14.49   15.17  17.74   36.00
##
## $`9`
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      4.98   9.46   11.39   12.51  14.35   35.00
##
## $`10`
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      4.000   7.160   8.790   9.797  11.590   35.000
##
## $`11`
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median      Mean 3rd Qu.      Max.
##      6.050   6.590   8.690   9.328  10.990   19.500
##
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: pr$ProsperScore and pr$BorrowerRate
## t = -248.98, df = 84851, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.6536072 -0.6458311
## sample estimates:
##          cor
## -0.6497361

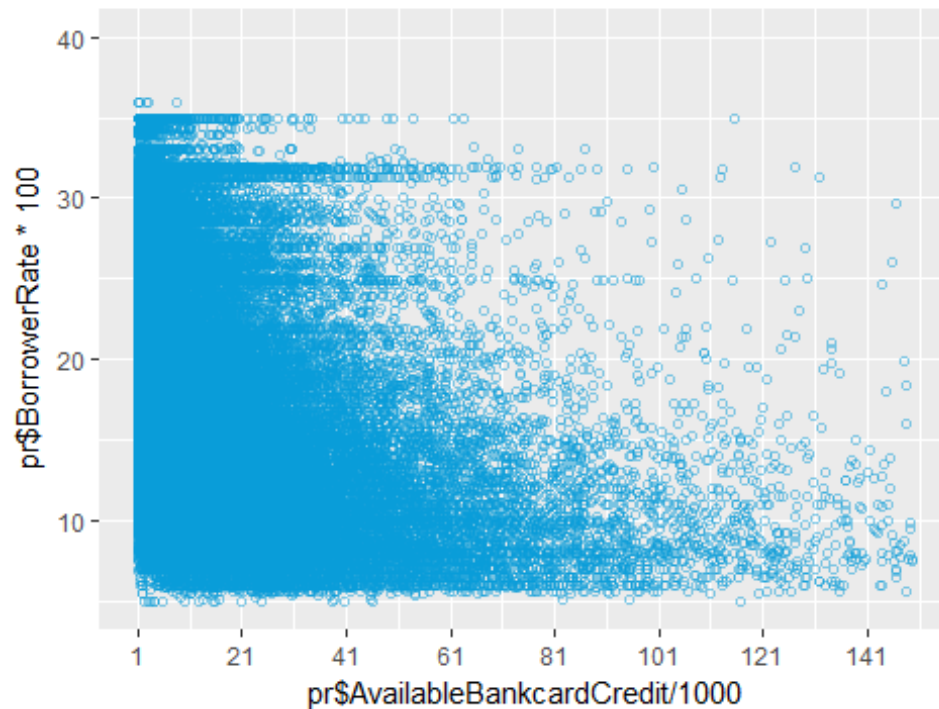
```

And also from the correlation, Prosper Score and Borrower Rate has a strong negative correlation.

Borrower Rate and Employment Status scatter Plot



Available Bank Credit and Borrower Rate Scatter Plot



Higer available bank card credit will also have lower borrow rate.

```
with(na.omit(pr), cor(BorrowerRate*100,AvailableBankcardCredit/1000))
```

```
## [1] -0.274097
```

Correlation between BorrowerRate and AvailableBankcardCredit

## Bivariate Analysis

Talk about some of the relationships you observed in this part of the investigation. How did the feature(s) of interest vary with other features in the dataset?

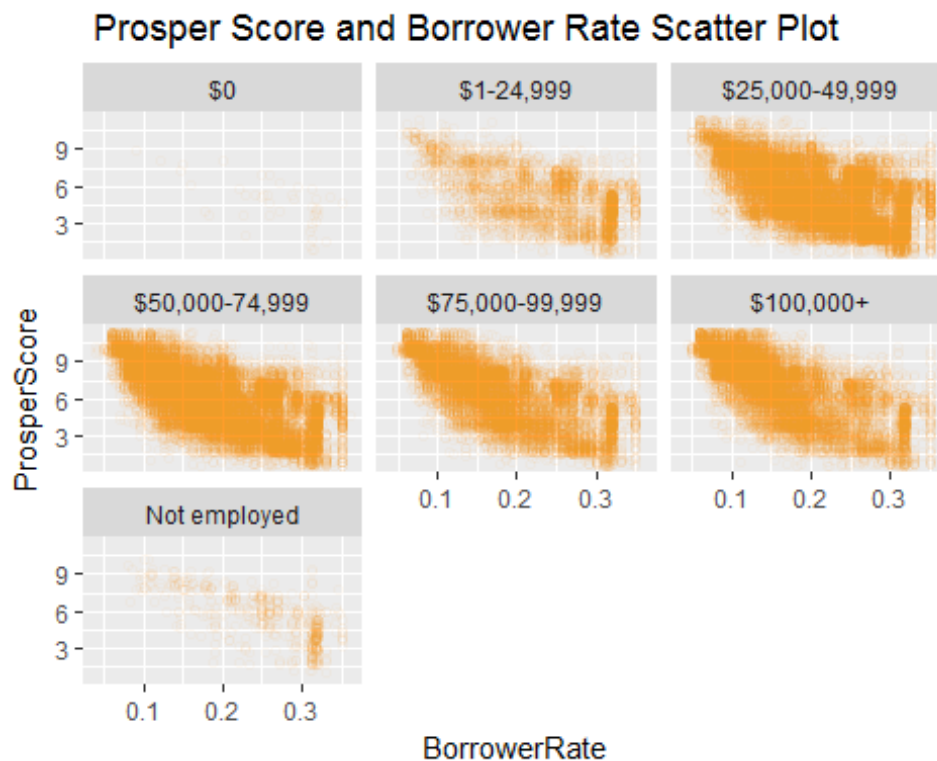
Did you observe any interesting relationships between the other features (not the main feature(s) of interest)?

Other than main feature, I also noticed applicants with higher available bank card credit will also have lower borrow rate.

What was the strongest relationship you found?

Borrow rate versus the properscore, The coefficient between them is -0.6682872.

## Multivariate Plots Section





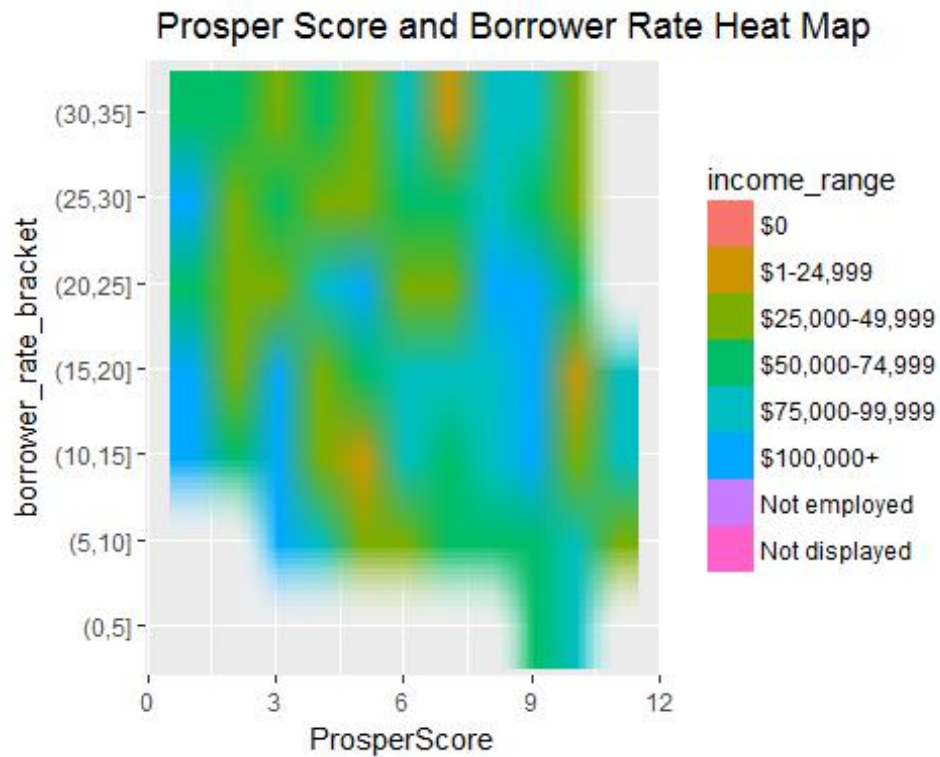
Prosper Score and Borrower Rate Scatter Plot



The same pattern also occur for different employment status

Prosper Score and Borrower Rate Scatter Plot





When comparing with the main relationship ProsperScore and BorrowerRate, we also noticed a liner relationship adding the category variable income range



```
##
## Calls:
## m1: lm(formula = I(BorrowerRate) ~ 0 + I(ProsperScore), data = subset(pr,
##      !is.na(ProsperScore)))
## m2: lm(formula = I(BorrowerRate) ~ I(ProsperScore) +
AvailableBankcardCredit -
##      1, data = subset(pr, !is.na(ProsperScore)))
## m3: lm(formula = I(BorrowerRate) ~ I(ProsperScore) +
AvailableBankcardCredit +
##      IncomeRange - 1, data = subset(pr, !is.na(ProsperScore)))
## m4: lm(formula = I(BorrowerRate) ~ I(ProsperScore) +
AvailableBankcardCredit +
##      IncomeRange + EmploymentStatus - 1, data = subset(pr,
!is.na(ProsperScore)))
## m5: lm(formula = I(BorrowerRate) ~ I(ProsperScore) +
AvailableBankcardCredit +
##      IncomeRange + EmploymentStatus + TotalCreditLinespast7years -
##      1, data = subset(pr, !is.na(ProsperScore)))
##
##
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```

	m3	m4	m5	m1	m2
I(ProsperScore)				0.026***	0.028***
	-0.018***	-0.019***	-0.019***	(0.000)	(0.000)
AvailableBankcardCredit					-0.000***
	-0.000***	-0.000***	-0.000***		(0.000)
IncomeRange: \$0					
	0.352***	0.348***	0.348***		
	(0.008)	(0.008)	(0.008)		
IncomeRange: \$1-24,999					
	0.334***	0.336***	0.336***		
	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)		
IncomeRange: \$100,000+					
	0.304***	0.307***	0.307***		
	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)		
IncomeRange: \$25,000-49,999					
	0.317***	0.319***	0.318***		
	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)		

```

## IncomeRange: $50,000-74,999
0.308***      0.310***      0.309***
##
(0.001)      (0.001)      (0.001)
## IncomeRange: $75,000-99,999
0.306***      0.309***      0.308***
##
(0.001)      (0.001)      (0.001)
## IncomeRange: Not employed
0.364***      0.368***      0.367***
##
(0.002)      (0.002)      (0.002)
## EmploymentStatus: Full-time/Employed
0.025***      0.025***
##
(0.001)      (0.001)
## EmploymentStatus: Other/Employed
-0.003**      -0.003**
##
(0.001)      (0.001)
## EmploymentStatus: Part-time/Employed
0.016***      0.016***
##
(0.003)      (0.003)
## EmploymentStatus: Retired/Employed
0.020***      0.020***
##
(0.003)      (0.003)
## EmploymentStatus: Self-employed/Employed
-0.009***      -0.009***
##
(0.001)      (0.001)
## TotalCreditLinespast7years
0.000
##
(0.000)

```

```

## -----
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## R-squared      0.612      0.621
0.932      0.933      0.933
## adj. R-squared      0.612      0.621
0.932      0.933      0.933
## sigma      0.131      0.129
0.055      0.054      0.054
## F      133697.431      69606.628
128923.549      84690.770      79044.868
## p      0.000      0.000
0.000      0.000      0.000
## Log-likelihood      52266.161      53323.957
126092.434      126950.145      126950.686

```

##	Deviance			1449.358	1413.669
	254.367	249.276	249.273		
##	AIC			-104528.323	-106641.915
	-252164.869	-253870.290	-253869.372		
##	BIC			-104509.626	-106613.869
	-252071.382	-253730.059	-253719.793		
##	N			84853	84853
	84853	84853	84853		
##					
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## Multivariate Analysis

**Talk about some of the relationships you observed in this part of the investigation. Were there features that strengthened each other in terms of looking at your feature(s) of interest?**

From multivariate analysis, the borrower's rate is also affected by other variables such as income range, employment status, available bank credits.

**Were there any interesting or surprising interactions between features?**

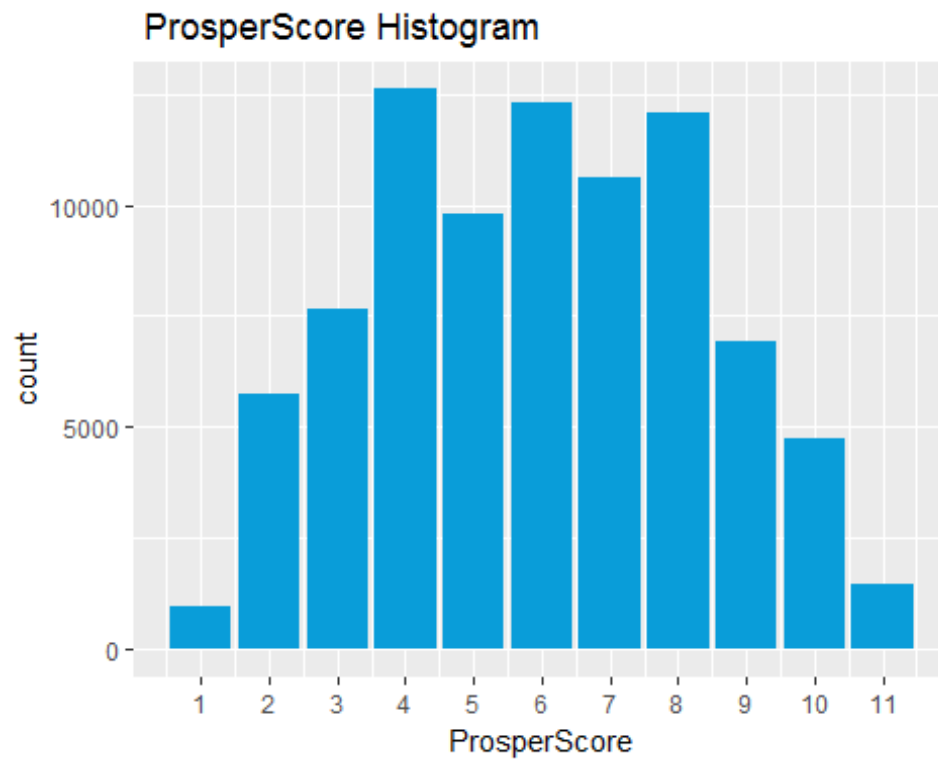
Holding the borrower's rate constant, the employed status will have lower prosper score.

**OPTIONAL: Did you create any models with your dataset? Discuss the strengths and limitations of your model.**

Yes, I did. For the linear models I created, R square is about 93%, which means almost 93% percent of the variation can be explained by the model. I also excluded the intercept, which strengthened the linear relationship between the variables.

## Final Plots and Summary

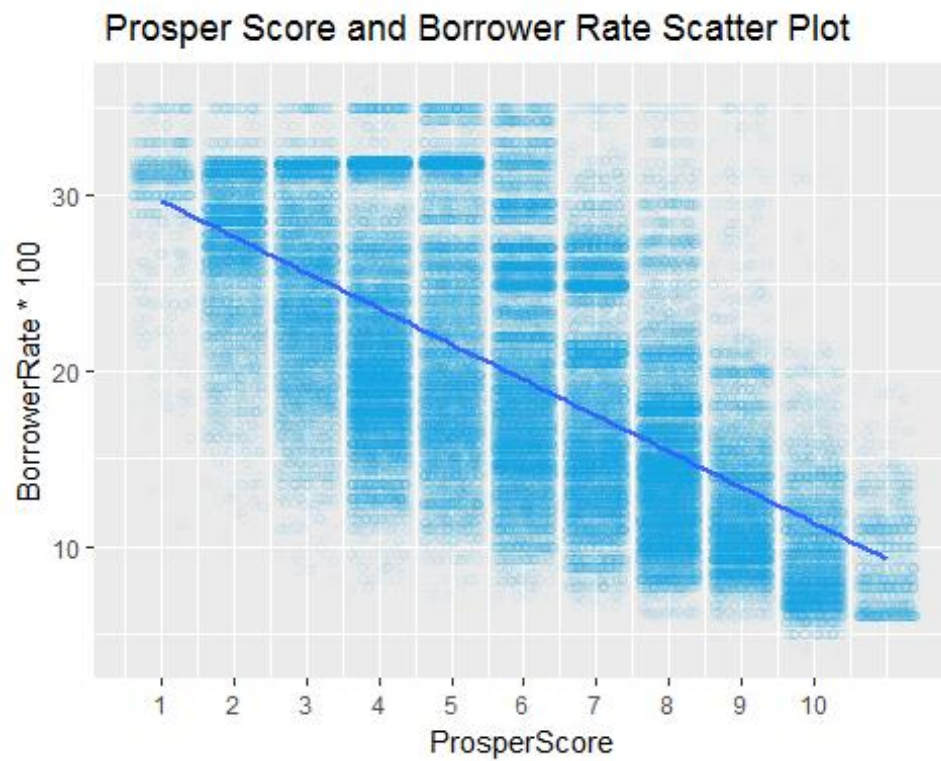
### Plot One



### Description One

The loans were valued by the risk levels which being called as ProsperScore, and the greater the score the lower the risk. Histogram showed us the counts for different ProsperScore. Majority of the loans have the score between 4 and 9.

## Plot Two

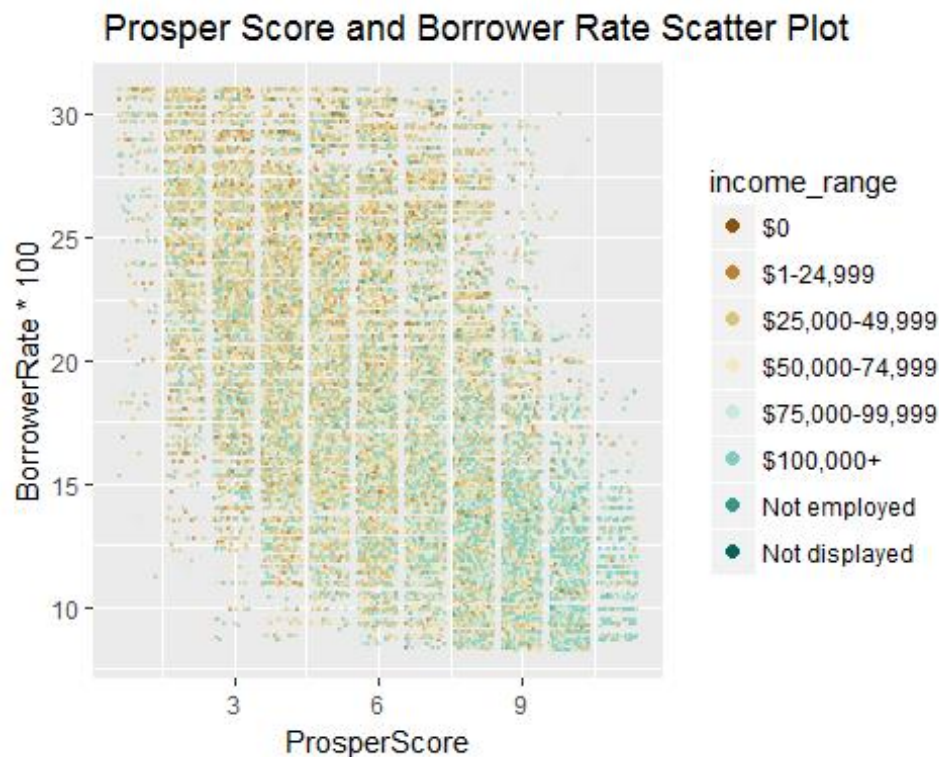


## Description Two

Ggplot gives us the negative correlation between ProsperScore and the borrower's rate, the higher the score seems to lead to a lower borrower's rate.



### Plot Three



### Description Three

When considering other variables, for example, income range, will also help us in predicting the borrower's rate. From the plot, the higher income leads also have higher ProsperScore, and relevantly lower interest rate.

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### Reflection

Prosper Loan dataset has thorough loan data regarding their unique attributes, and when evaluating the loan applications, these variables could benefit the company in deciding the accurate rate. From the analysis, it is shown that borrower's rate is highly correlated with borrower's ProsperScore, which measured the risk of the applicant. We also learned that other factors such as income level, employment status, available bank credits could also affect borrower's rate. More thorough demographic data can be included in the dataset, therefore, we can better understand the detailed attributes of the applicants.