

A person stands in silhouette on a dark, rocky ridge, looking up at a vast, vibrant night sky. The sky is filled with a dense field of stars and the colorful, glowing bands of the Milky Way galaxy, transitioning from deep purple and blue at the top to bright yellow and orange near the horizon. The person's silhouette is positioned in the lower right, providing a sense of scale and contemplation against the cosmic backdrop.

An Aspiring Product Data Scientist Journey: From Understanding Borrowers' Profile to Dynamic Downward Rates Adjustment

Objectives

- Run an end-to-end data science project based on Lending Club dataset and its domain problems.
- Model/engineer a predictive model that could determine a good and bad loan before and during the loan approval process.
- Take you reader on a journey on how I will create AI/Machine Learning product/services.

Approach

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START HERE WITH CUSTOMERS IN MIND THROUGH DESIGN SPRINTING

The sprint is a five-day process for answering critical business questions through design, prototyping, and testing ideas with customers.

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
Make a map and choose a target problem	Sketch competing solution	Decide on the best solution	Build a realistic predictive model or prototype	Test with target customers

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THEN GO THROUGH THE DATA SCIENCE JOURNEY GETTING TO PREDICTIVE MODELLING AND INTERPRETATION

OSEMN Data Science Workflow

1. Obtain	2. Scrub	3. Explore	4. Model	5. Interpret
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WORK THROUGH MVP AND MMP IN PRODUCTION

Machine Learning MVP (Minimum Viable Product): Test different value propositions based on predicting modelling outcome and leveraging on human-in-the-loop

Integration >	Deployment >	Post-Deployment
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Machine Learning MMP (Minimum Marketable Product): Design the smallest feature/benefit set that addresses the customer needs and creates the right customer experience.

CYCLING ITERATIVELY THROUGH AGILE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY TO BRING CONSUMABLE PRODUCT VALUE TO INTERNAL / EXTERNAL CUSTOMERS

Predictive Needs/ Requirements Backlog	Agile Data Science Team	Testing Working ML Model
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Iterative Deliver small, but consumable, increments Fast feedback cycles Predictive needs/requirements are evaluated continuous as a natural mechanism for responding to change quickly Continuous improving data and modelling 	

Results

The results based on basic predictive deep neural network are almost identical – swinging between 78% and 79% test accuracy

Basic Predictive Modeling

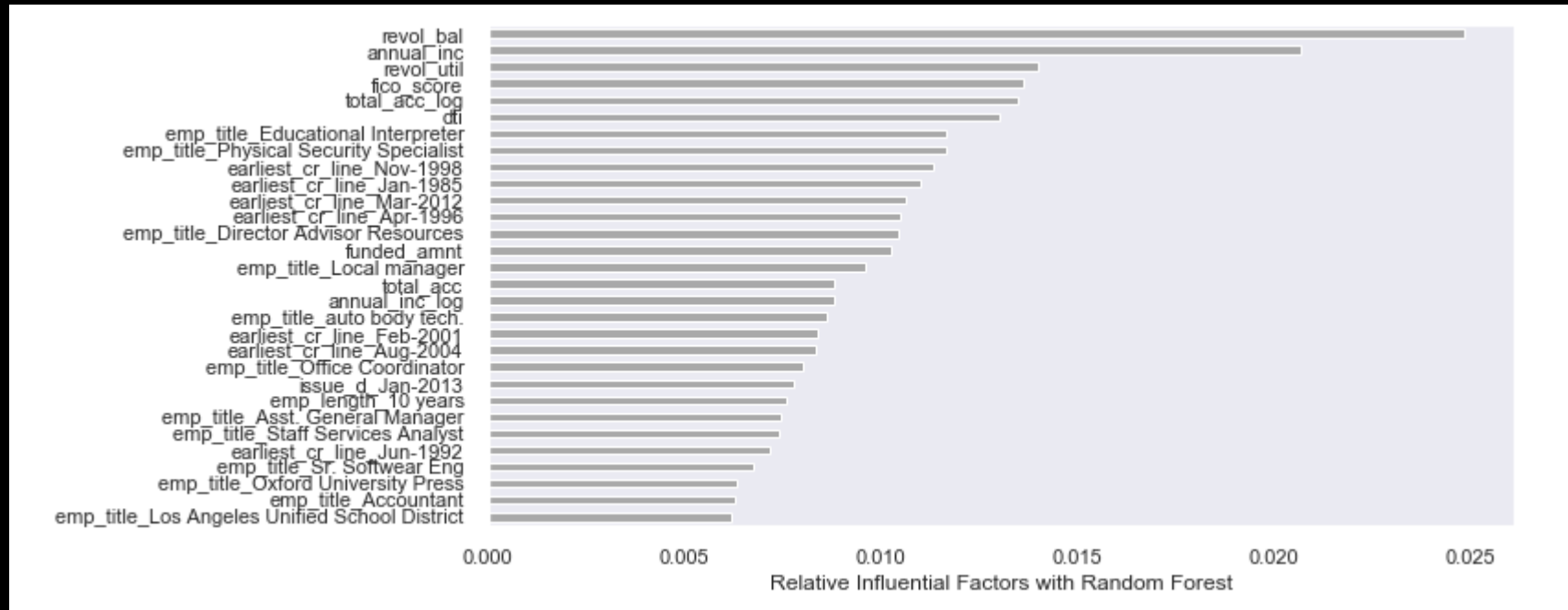
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| 1. | Logistic Regression | : 78.5% |
| 2. | Random Forest | : 78.5% |
| 3. | XGBoost | : 77.2% |
| 4. | SVM | : 78.5% |

Deep Neural Network Modeling

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| 1. | Layer 1: 79% |
| 2. | Layer 2: 78% |
| 3. | Layer 3: 79% |

Results

Based on Random Forest – relative influential factors to predict bad and good loans.

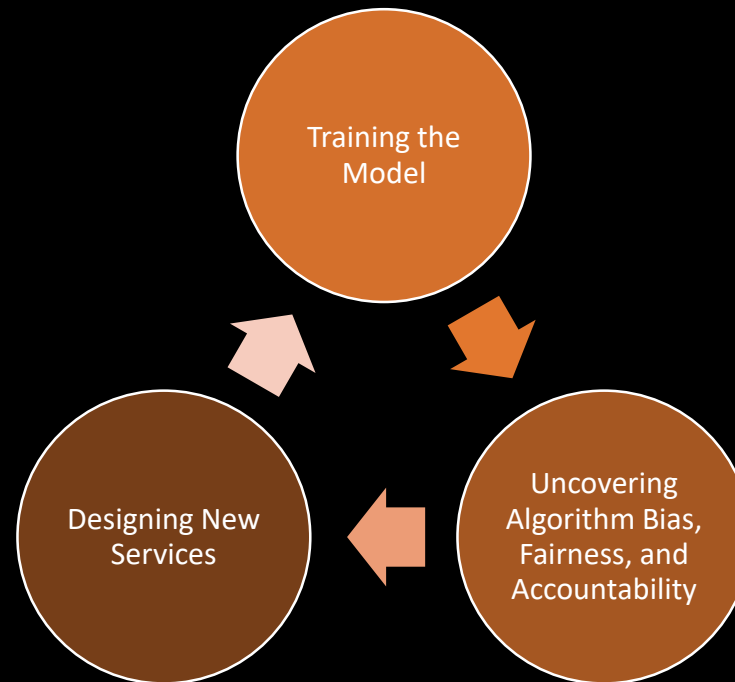


Conclusion

Product-Driven Machine Learning

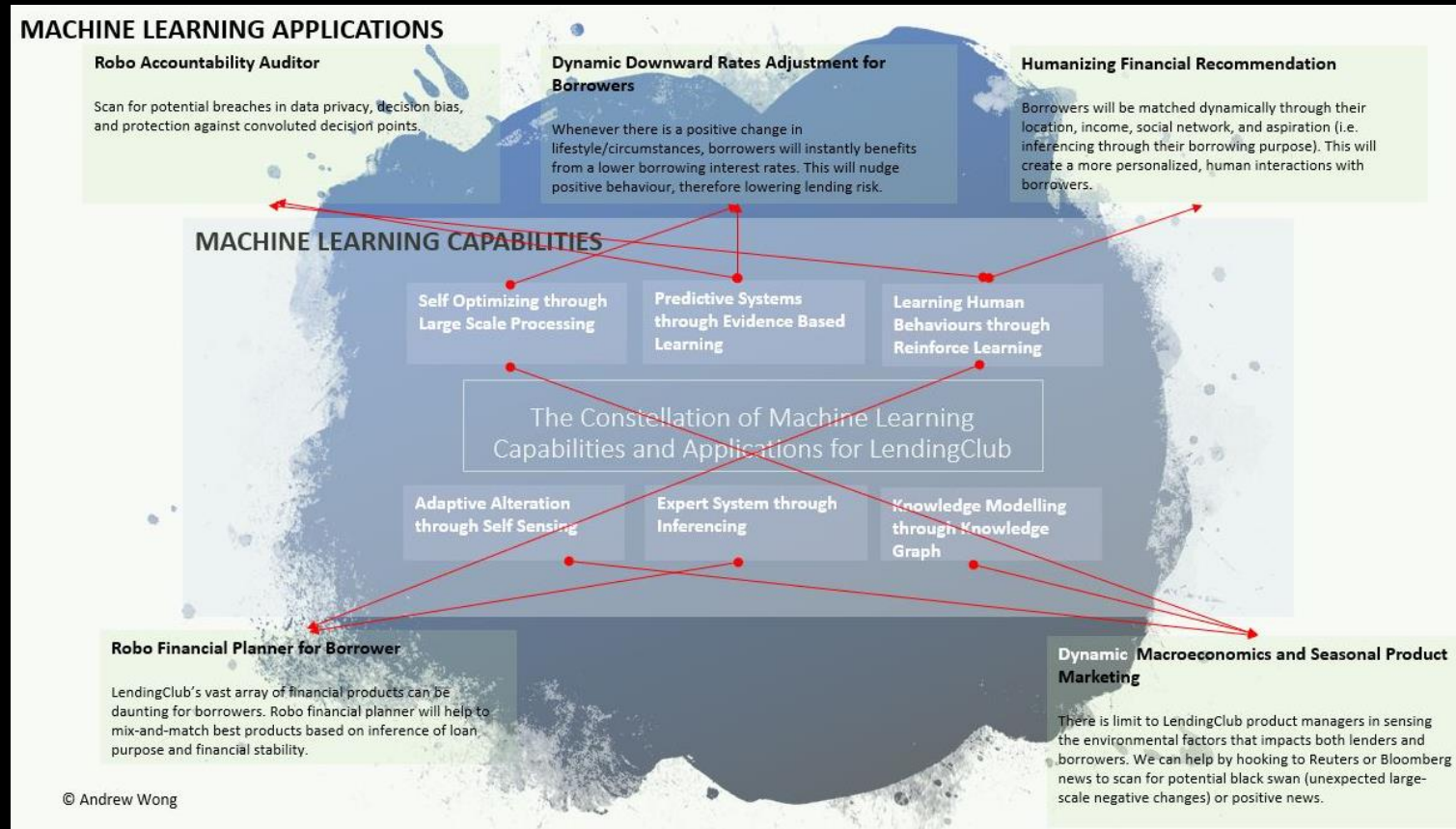
The learning-feedback cycle

Constant feeding of updated datasets, as well as new type of datasets.



Conclusion

What Machine Learning capabilities that LendingClub can build based on the predictive modeling that I have built (no doubt it is not as simple as that!).



Q & A

Appendix – How I Spent My Time and Effort

