

Lending Club Case Study

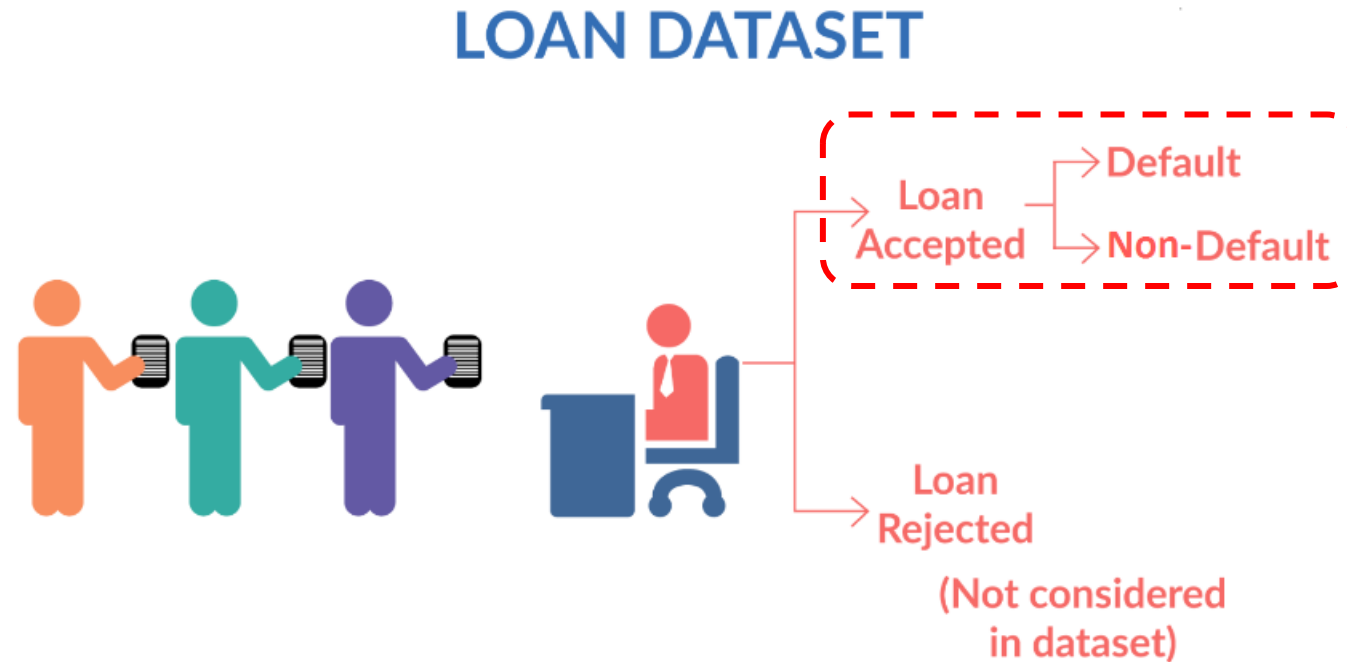
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Problem Statement:

At consumer finance company, when the company receives a loan application, to make a decision for loan approval based on the applicant's profile.

Loan application is accepted, now I have to find if the applicant will be default or not based on the loan data provided.



It is observed that there are a lot of columns with all null values. Let's first remove them

There are several columns which are single valued.

- They cannot contribute to our analysis in any way. So removing them.

Now we have 48 columns out of which some correspond to the post approval of loan

- We are analyzing the user details and the driving factors of loan defaulting before approving loan.
- So we can safely remove the columns / variables corresponding to that scenario.
- Also there are some columns such as "id", "member_id", "url", "title", "emp_title", "zip_code", "last_credit_pull_d", "addr_state".
- The above features or columns doesn't contribute to the loan defaulting in any way due to irrelevant information. So removing them.
- "desc" has description (text data) which we cannot do anything about for now. So removing the column.
- "out_prncp_inv", "total_pymnt_inv" are useful for investors but not contributing to the loan defaulting analysis. So removing them.
- "funded_amnt" is not needed because we only need info as to how much is funded in actual. As we have "funded_amnt_inv", we can remove the earlier column.

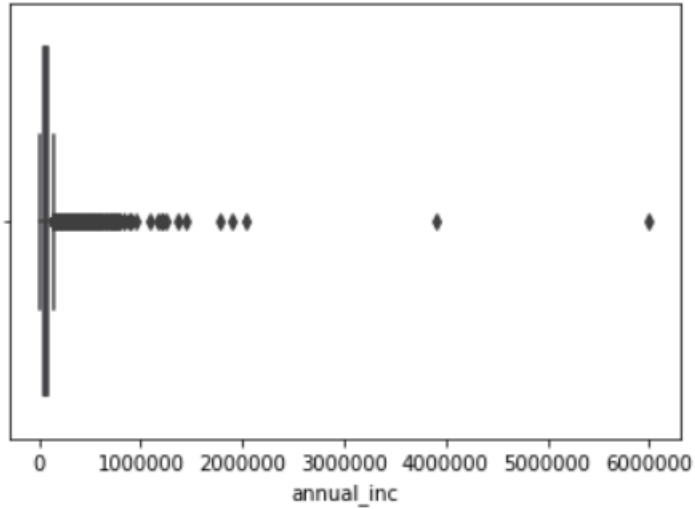
Handling Missing values

- columns with missing values are "emp_length", "revol_util".
- So before doing that, lets see what kind of data each column has.

Standardizing the data

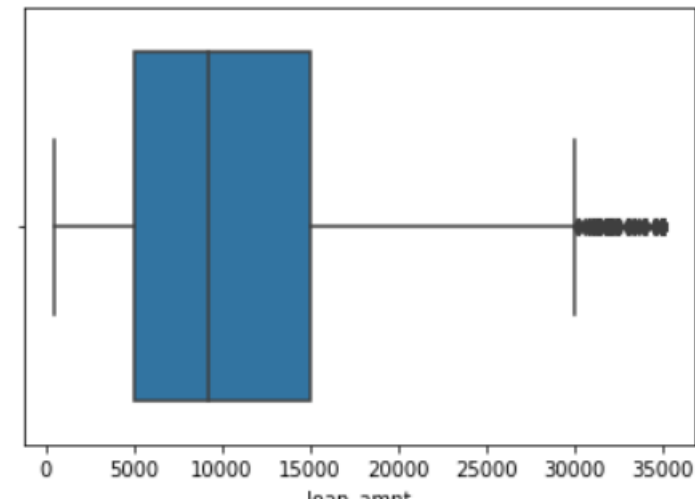
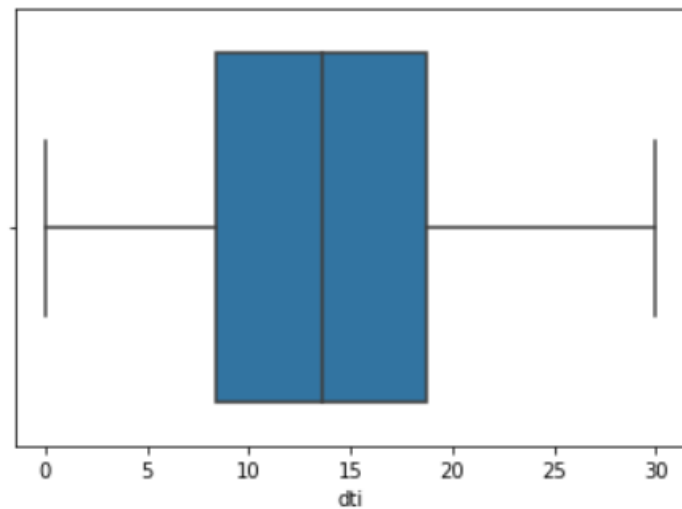
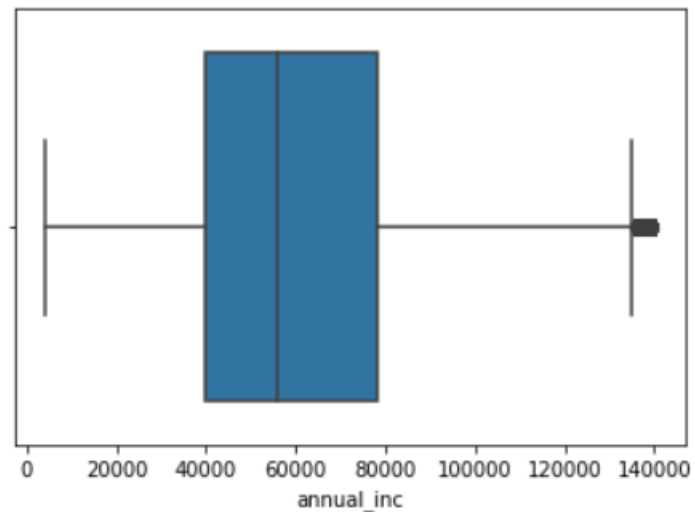
- "revol_util" column although described as an object column, it has continous values.
- So we need to standardize the data in this column
- "int_rate" is one such column.
- "emp_length" --> { (< 1 year) is assumed as 0 and 10+ years is assumed as 10 }
- Although the datatype of "term" is arguable to be an integer, there are only two values in the whole column and it might as well be declared a categorical variable.

Outlier Treatment



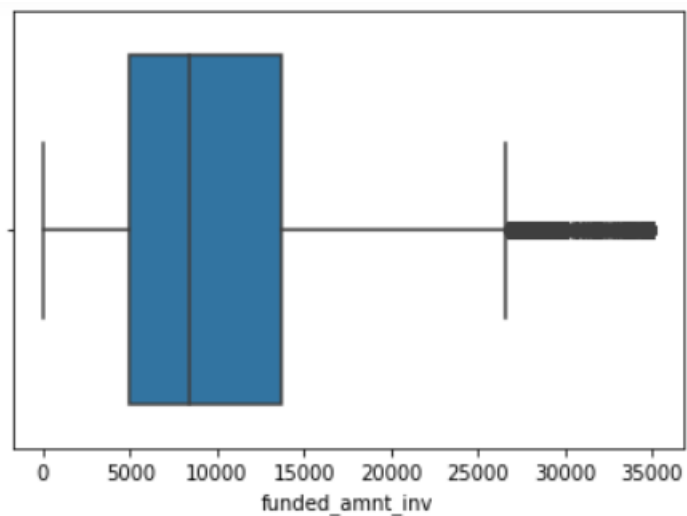
Clearly indicating the presence of outliers.

- So, Removing them.
- Let's see the quantile info and take an appropriate action.
- The values after 95 percentile seems to be disconnected from the general distribution and also there is huge increase in the value for small quantile variation.
- So, considering threshold for removing outliers as 0.95



Now the "annual_inc" data looks good and proceeding next.

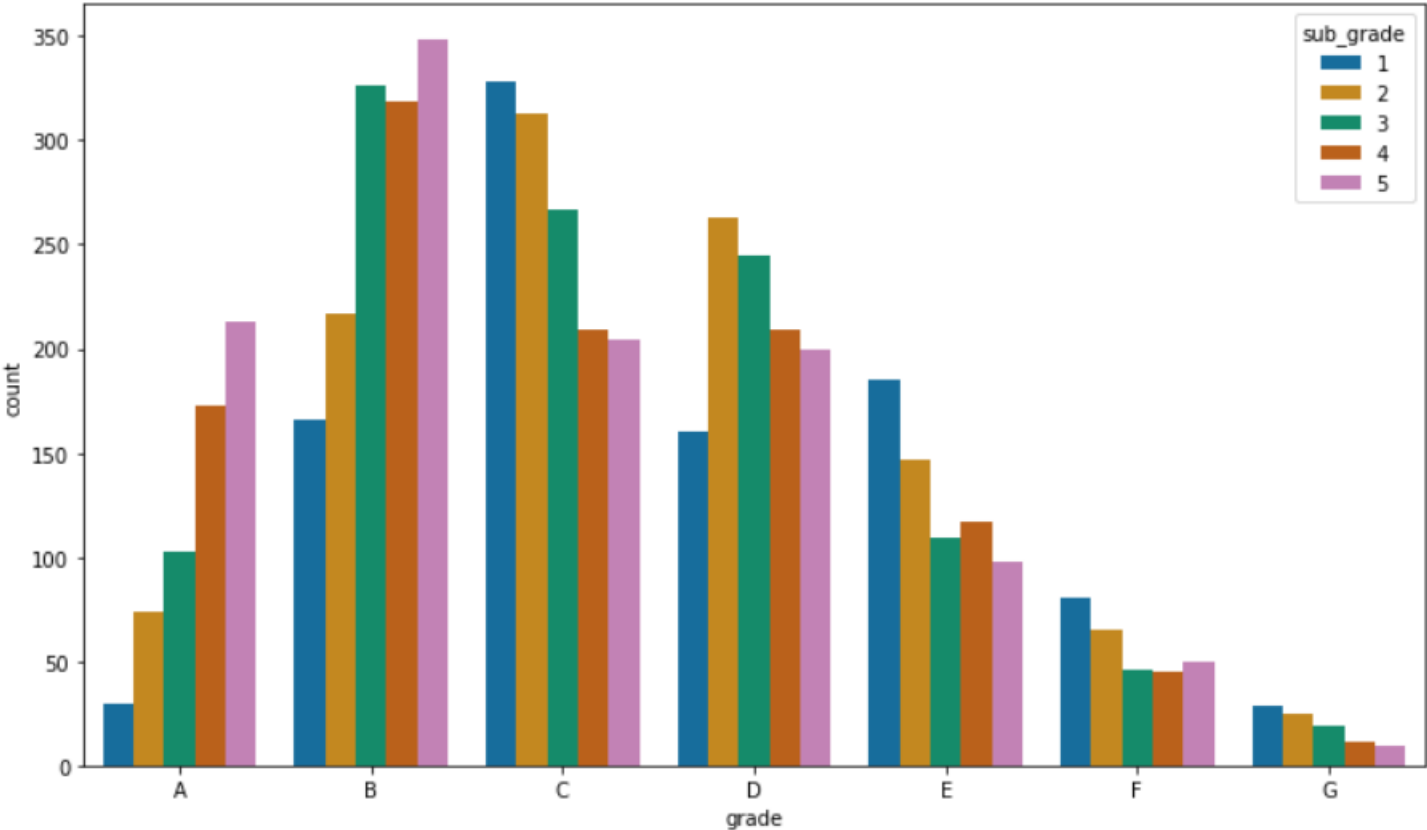
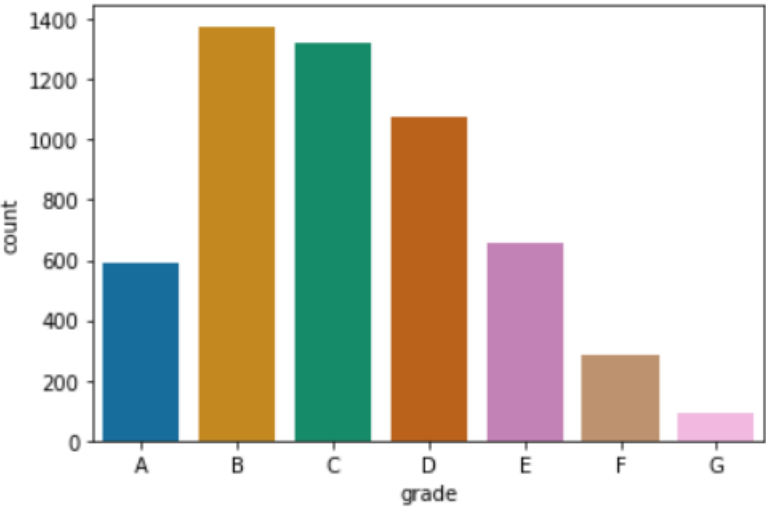
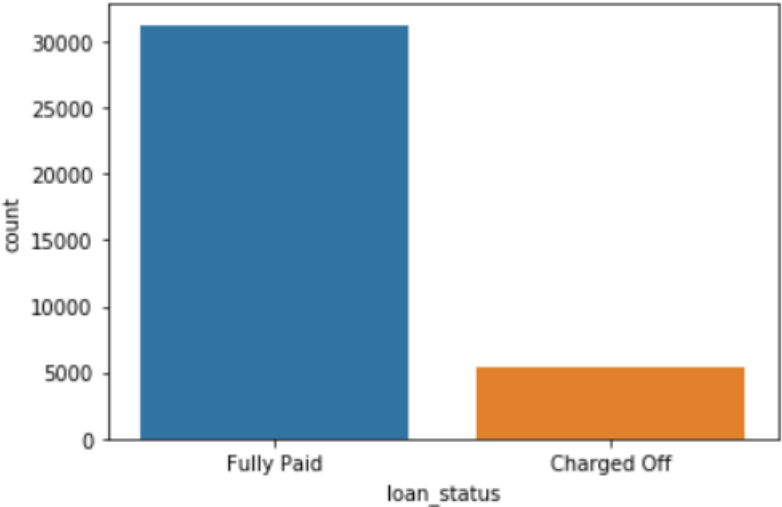
- Let's analyze other numerical variables which could possibly have outliers.
- dti
- loan_amnt
- funded_amnt_inv

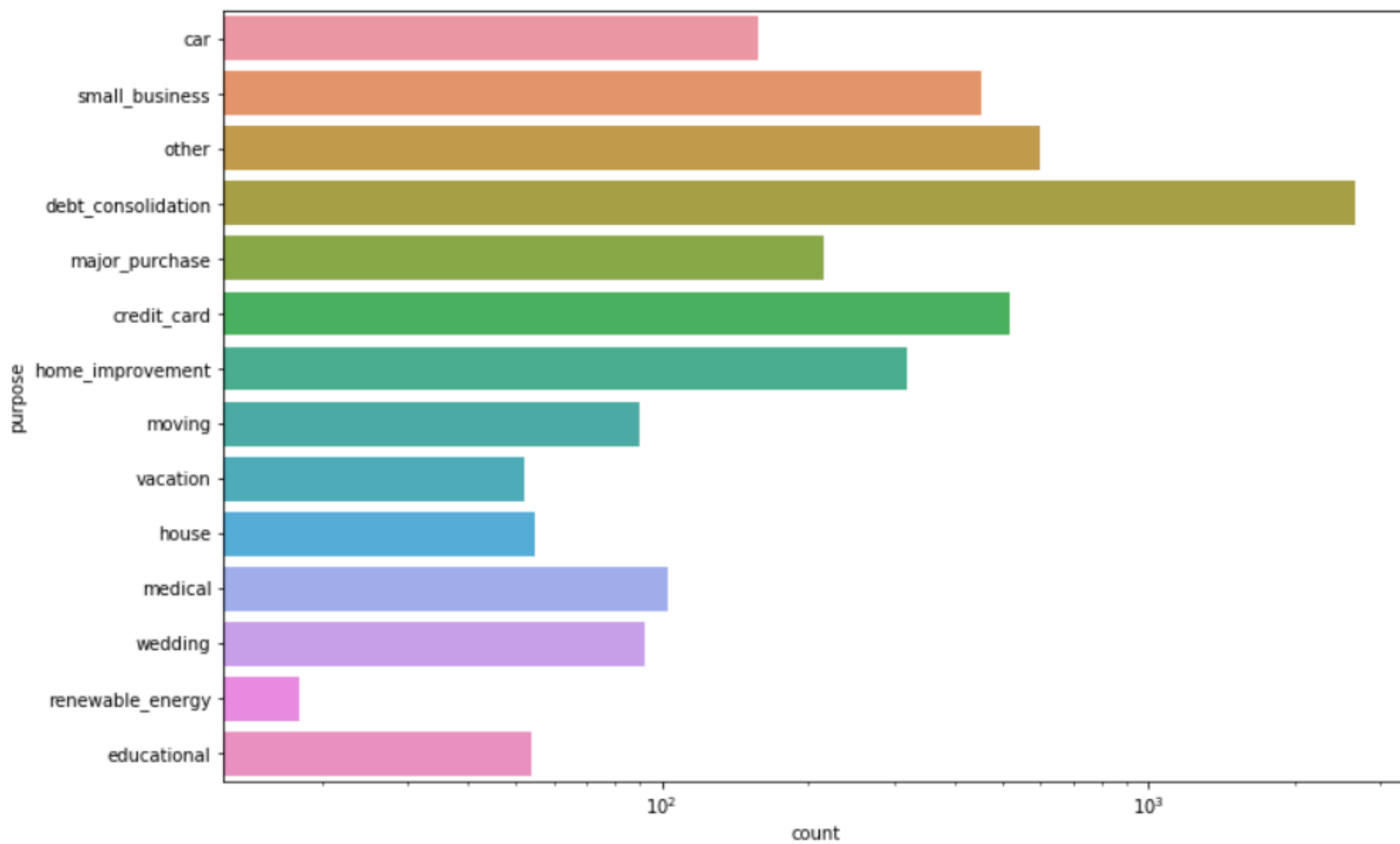


Visualizing Categorical Data

As we already have grade column, extracting only subgrade (int level value) from the sub_grade variable

- We are analyzing and visualizing only the defaulter data. So subsetting the data while plotting only for 'Charged Off' loan_status for below plots





Applicants who applied and defaulted have no significant difference in loan_amounts.

- Which means that applicants applying for long term has applied for more loan.

Observations

The above analysis with respect to the charged off loans. There is a more probability of defaulting when :

- Applicants taking loan for 'home improvement' and have income of 60k -70k
- Applicants whose home ownership is 'MORTGAGE and have income of 60-70k
- Applicants who receive interest at the rate of 21-24% and have an income of 70k-80k
- Applicants who have taken a loan in the range 30k - 35k and are charged interest rate of 15-17.5 %
- Applicants who have taken a loan for small business and the loan amount is greater than 14k
- Applicants whose home ownership is 'MORTGAGE and have loan of 14-16k
- When grade is F and loan amount is between 15k-20k
- When employment length is 10yrs and loan amount is 12k-14k
- When the loan is verified and loan amount is above 16k
- For grade G and interest rate above 20%