





Credit Reference Agency (CRA) data significantly increases Credit Risk models' performance

Machine Learning uses data more effectively and outperforms traditional Scorecards

Advancements in ML transparency has removed the perceived barriers to the adoption of more advanced techniques

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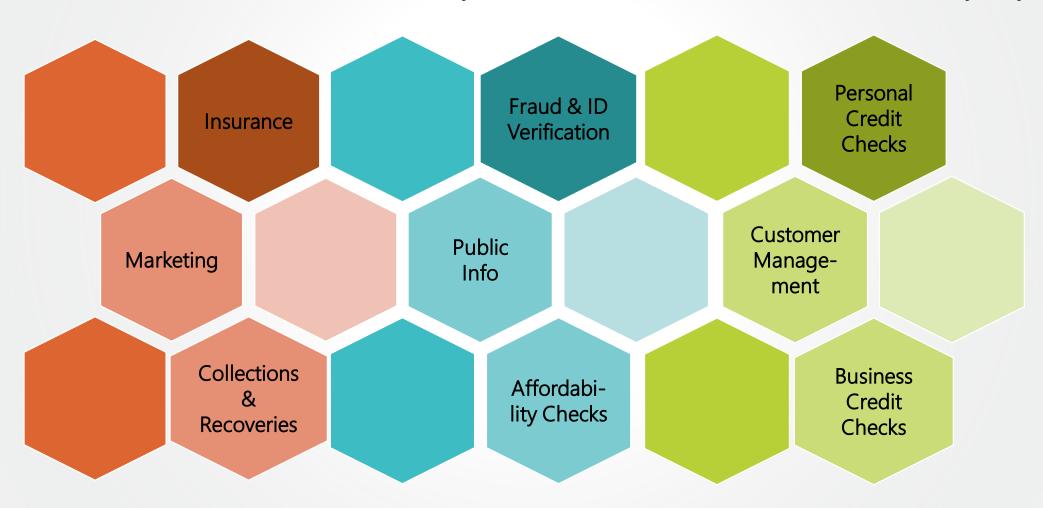


Considerations and summary

What Services Do CRAs Offer?



Because of the wealth of information held by the CRAs, their data can be utilised in many ways



Credit Risk Projects with Extensive Use of CRA Data





Origination Strategy



Reject Inference



Customer Management Strategy



Regulatory Impacts



New Products

Application Credit Checks Data



There are many different types of data that are available as part of a credit check:

Credit Scores

Credit Postcode Closed User Group Information (CUG) Public Data Associates Searches Level Geo-Number Outstand-Repay-Recent Court Types of Card card Electoral Bankrupt-**Financial** demograof credit judgemeing ment utillisation accounts roll cies associates phic balance behaviour activity accounts nts profile

Transactional Data



Credit Assessment at Point of Application





Objective



Target Variable



Assessment Criteria



Approach

Simplification of risk decisions
Increased automation
Consistent decisions

Customer Risk

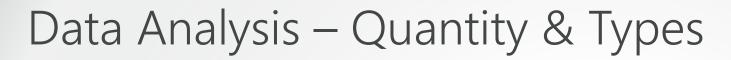
Model performance

Auditability and transparency

Data analysis

Build

Validation





All variables					
<u>CRA</u>			<u>Applicant</u>		
Applicant Stability	Financial Activity	Repayment Performance	Applicant Profile	<u>Affordability</u>	

Good data quality variables

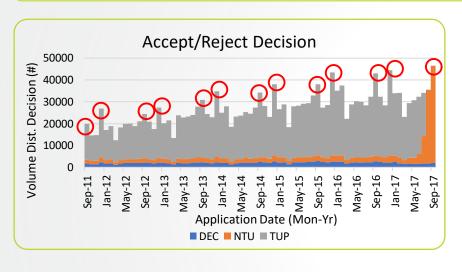
Predictive variables

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Data Analysis – Quality

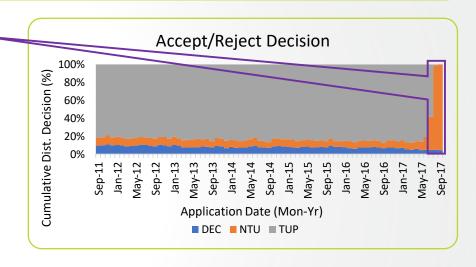


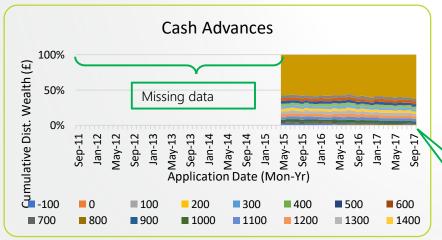
Review data to identify trends or items for exclusion





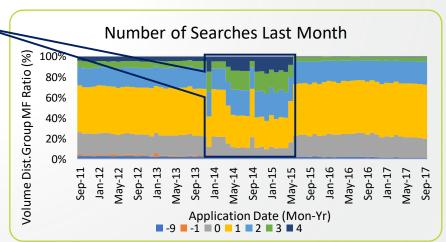
Application spikes in September and December





Unusual behaviour from December '13 to May '15

~200 cases per month with default value of -100







Variable	Overall IV	Data Group	Potential fo Modelling
Worst Status Last 6 Months	1.22	CUG	У
Number of Delinquent Accounts	1.22	CUG	У
Value of Delinquent Accounts	1.22	CUG	maybe
Months Since Delinquency	1.19	CUG	У
Value of Unsecured Delinquent Debt	1.18	CUG	no
Number of Unsecured Delinquencies	1.18	CUG	Υ
Time Since Most Recent Default	1.05	CUG	Υ
Value of Defaults	1.03	CUG	no
Number of Defaults	1.03	CUG	Υ
Months Since Mortgage Default	1.00	CUG	У
Value of Mortgage Default	0.99	CUG	maybe
Number of Mortgage Defaults	0.99	CUG	У
Confirmed at Address	0.31	ER	У
Number of Judgements	0.28	Public	У
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Number of All Public Judgement Records	0.26	Public	У
Time Since Bankruptcy	0.26	Public	У
Value of Bankruptcy	0.26	Public	У
Applicant Age	0.25	Internal	у
Confirmed at Current Address	0.18	ER	У
Worst Status of Active Accounts Last 12 Months	0.92	CUG	у
Credit Limit Utilisation	0.92	CUG	У
Worst Current Status	0.89	CUG	у
Worst Status Last 3 Motnhs	0.83	CUG	y
Months Since Most Recent Delinquency	0.78	CUG	у
Age of Oldest Active Account	0.51	CUG	y
Age of Youngest Active Account	0.38	CUG	y
Exisiting Customer Worst Status	0.36	Internal	y
Number of Mortgage Accounts	0.35	CUG	y
Number of Settled Accounts	0.12	CUG	maybe
Number of Active Accounts	0.10	CUG	ý

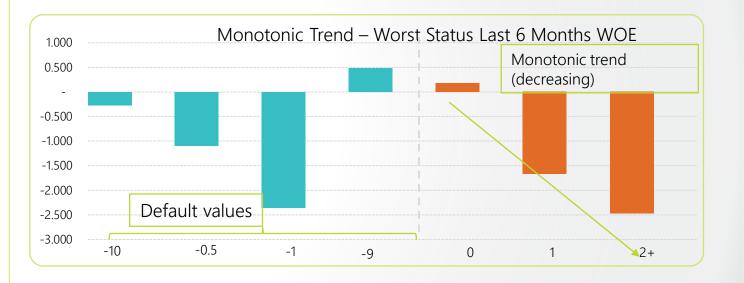
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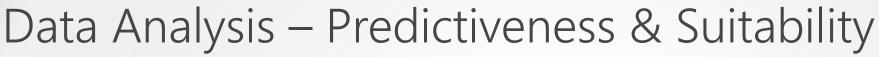
$$IV = Avg_{Good}(WoE) - Avg_{Bad}(WoE)$$





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Number of All Public Judgement Records	0.26	Public	у	0.13
Confirmed at Current Address	0.18	ER	у	0.11
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Confirmed at Address	0.31	ER	У	0.08
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Number of Settled Accounts	0.12	CUG	maybe	0.02
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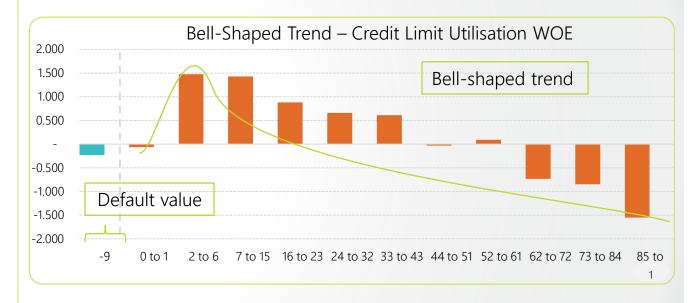
Delta Score = Observed WoE – Expected WoE

 $MIV = Avg_{Good}(Delta Score) - Avg_{Bad}(Delta Score)$

Data Analysis – Predictiveness & Suitability



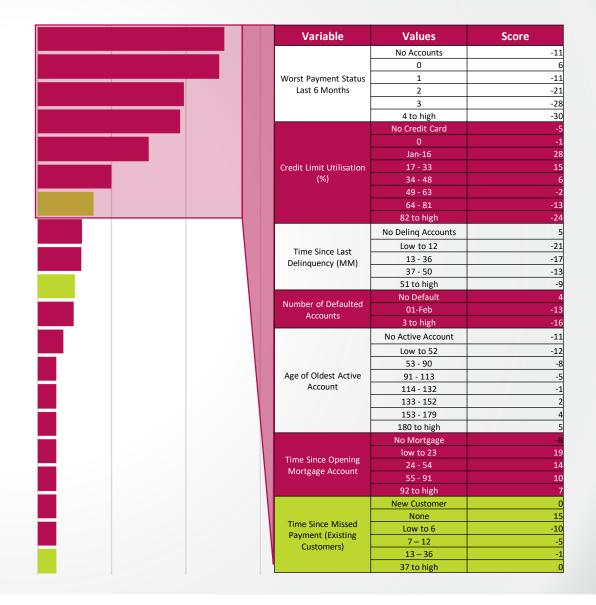
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Traditional Scorecard - Internal & CRA Data



Variable	Values	Score
	Low to 25	24
	26 - 40	10
	41 - 50	5
Loan to Value	51 - 60	2
	61 - 69	-3
	70 - 79	-7
	80 to high	-11
	New Customer	0
Good Existing Customer	Yes	10
	No	-15
	No Info	-10
	Low to 36	-10
	37 - 66	-7
Time in Employment (MM)	67 - 91	-3
Time in Employment (iviivi)	92 - 120	-2
	121 - 143	2
	144 - 184	5
	185 to high	13
	No Info	-1
	Public Tenant	-5 5
Residential Status	Living with Parents	5
	Private Tenant	10
	Owner	15
	Low to 22	-6
	23 - 25	-5
	26 - 29	-3
Applicant Age (YY)	30 - 33	-2
Applicant Age (11)	34 - 37	0
	38 - 42	2
	43 - 48	5
	49 - high	9
	No Info	-2
Declared Unsecured Debt	Low to 15	4
to Income	16 - 29	-2
to income	30 - 49	-6
	50 to high	-10
	No info	2
	Unemployed	-10
Employment Status	House Person	-3
Employment Status	Contractor	6
	Part Time	8
	Full Time	12





Algorithm Comparison



GINI Comparison on Test Sample

Internal Scorecard

Internal & CRA Scorecard

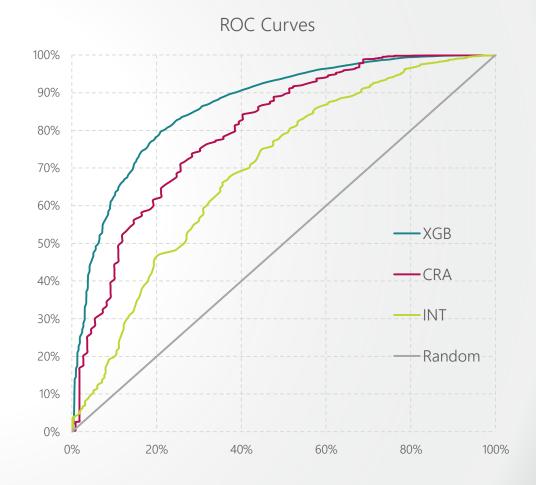
Elasticnet

Classification Tree

Random Forest

XGBoost

1HL Neural Network

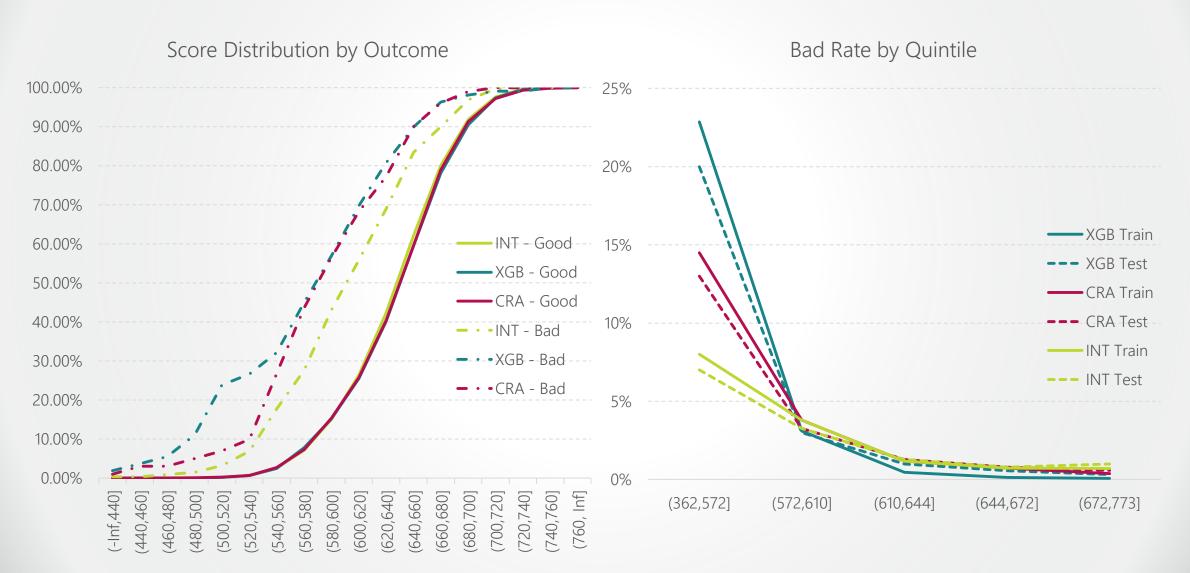


30.0% 45.0% 60.0%

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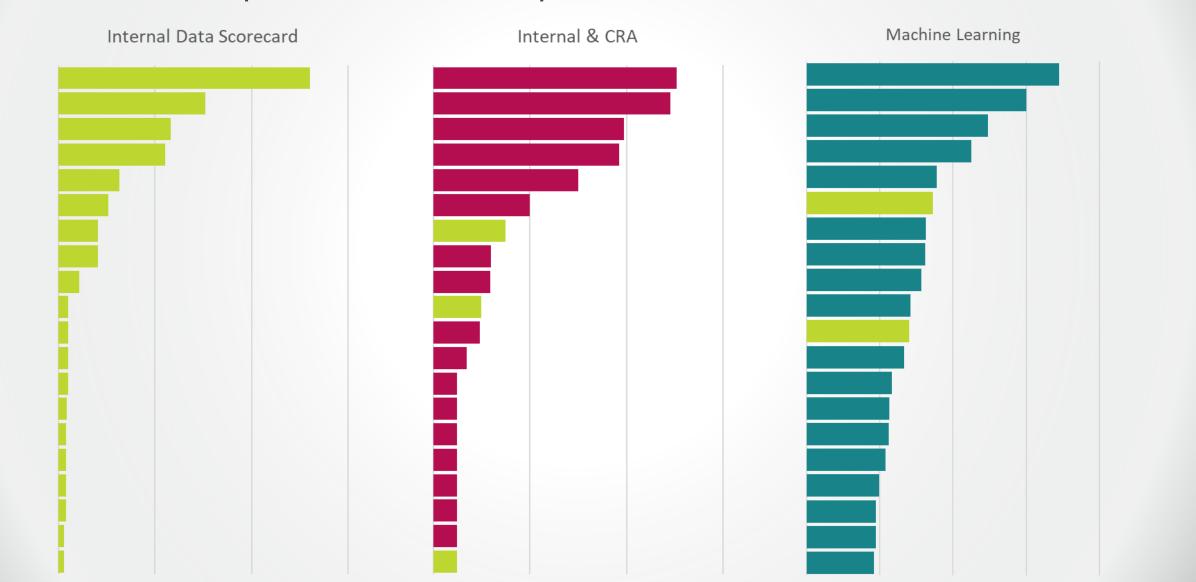
Performance Comparison





Variable Importance Comparison







Regulatory Considerations



Governance

Transparency



Consistent
Decisions
&
Treat
Customers
Fairly

