Lending Club Case Study Submission

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Business Understanding

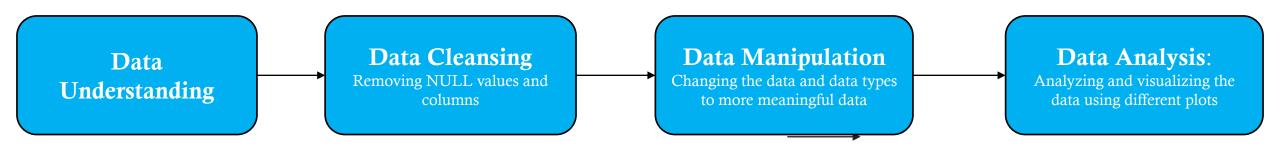
Consumer finance company specializes in lending various types of loans to urban customers. When the company receives a loan application, the company has to make a decision for loan approval based on the applicant's profile. Two types of risks are associated with the bank's decision:

- •If the applicant is likely to repay the loan, then not approving the loan results in a loss of business to the company
- •If the applicant is not likely to repay the loan, i.e. he/she is likely to default, then approving the loan may lead to a financial loss for the company

Business Objective

- Our objective is to identify the loans which are risky and have a tendency to be defaulted.
- We are analyzing the data set of various loan applicants and their detailed profile to understand the areas where the risk is involved.
- After identifying these areas, we will then assess the risk profile through various driver variables and will advise the company to reduce the risk using this data
- Our analysis involves data visualization to understand the trends using these driver variables through univariate and bivariate analysis.
- This analysis can be used by any finance company to assess the risk profile of the loans and reduce their losses and loan defaults.

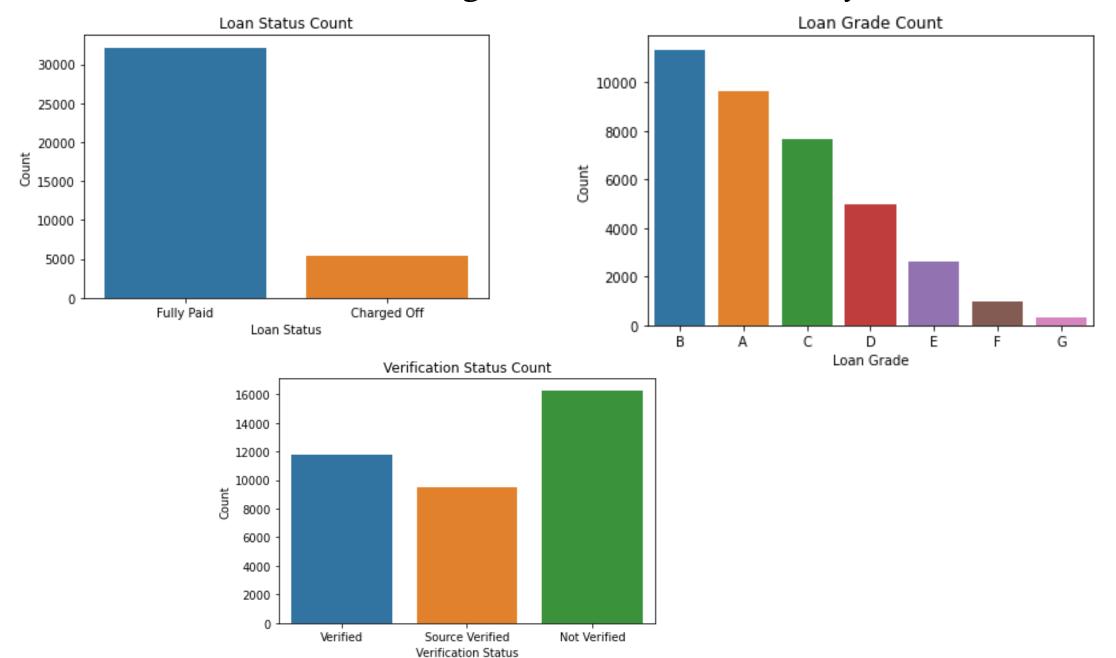
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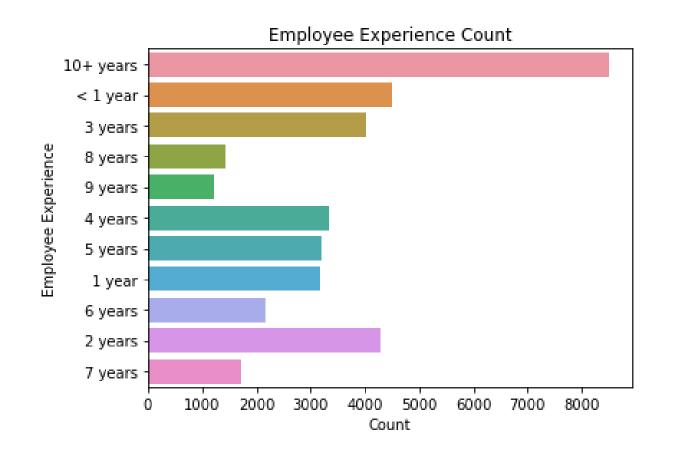
Data Cleansing

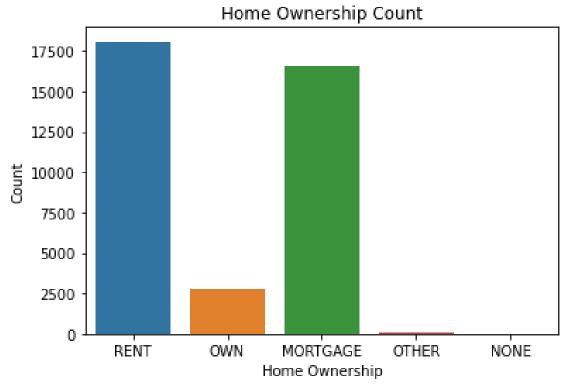
- Removing columns having significant amount of NULL values.
- Renaming columns to a meaningful name or columns having blank names.
- Replacing blank or NULL values to their nearest accurate values.
- Removing outliers: Removing values deviating from 25th to 75th percentile of the total values.
- Changing columns data types if not accurate to represent their actual values.
- Removing columns which are not significant for the analysis.
- Removing columns which are having only one unique value.

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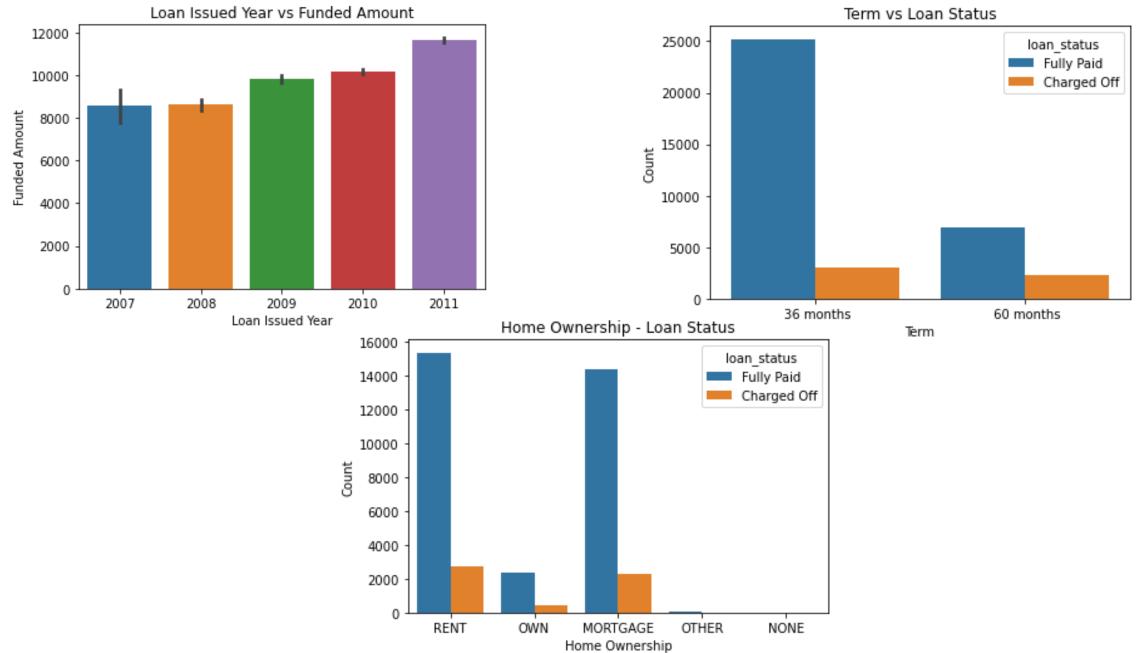


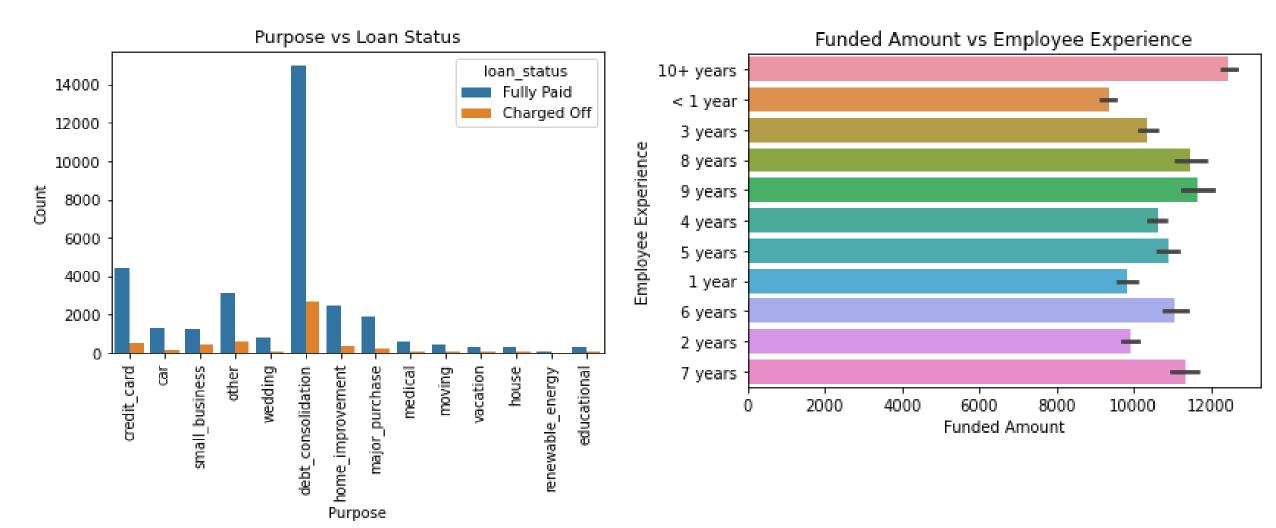


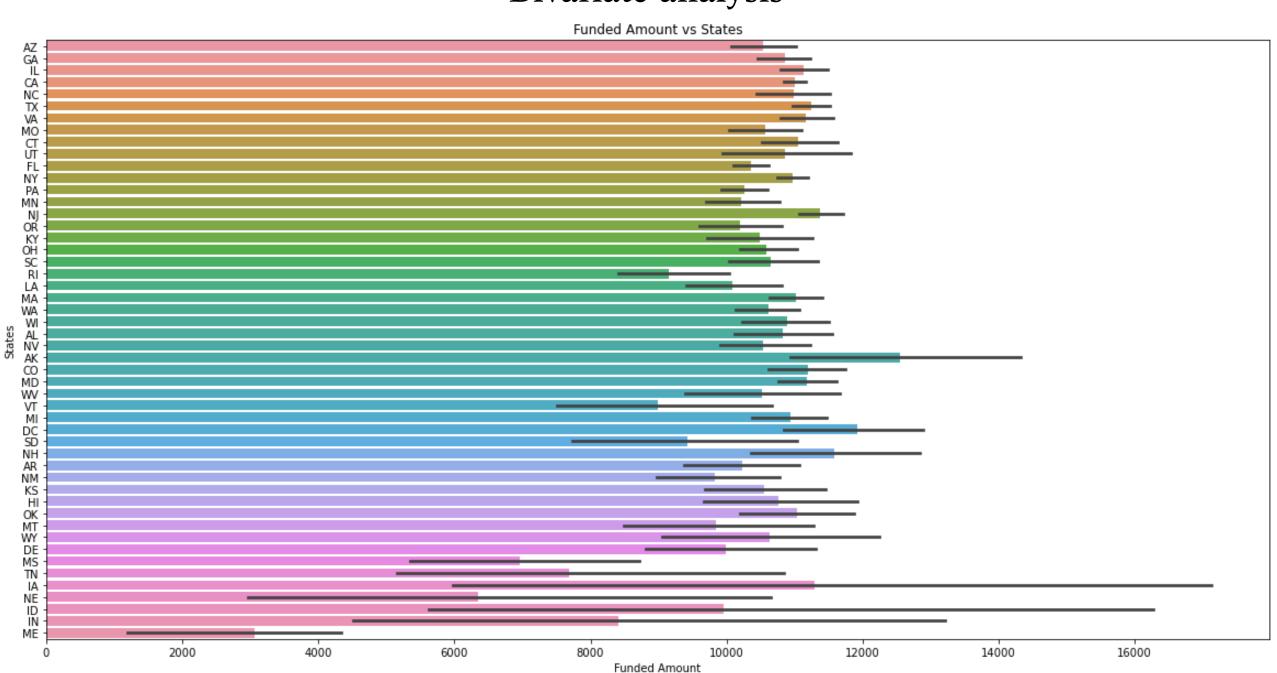
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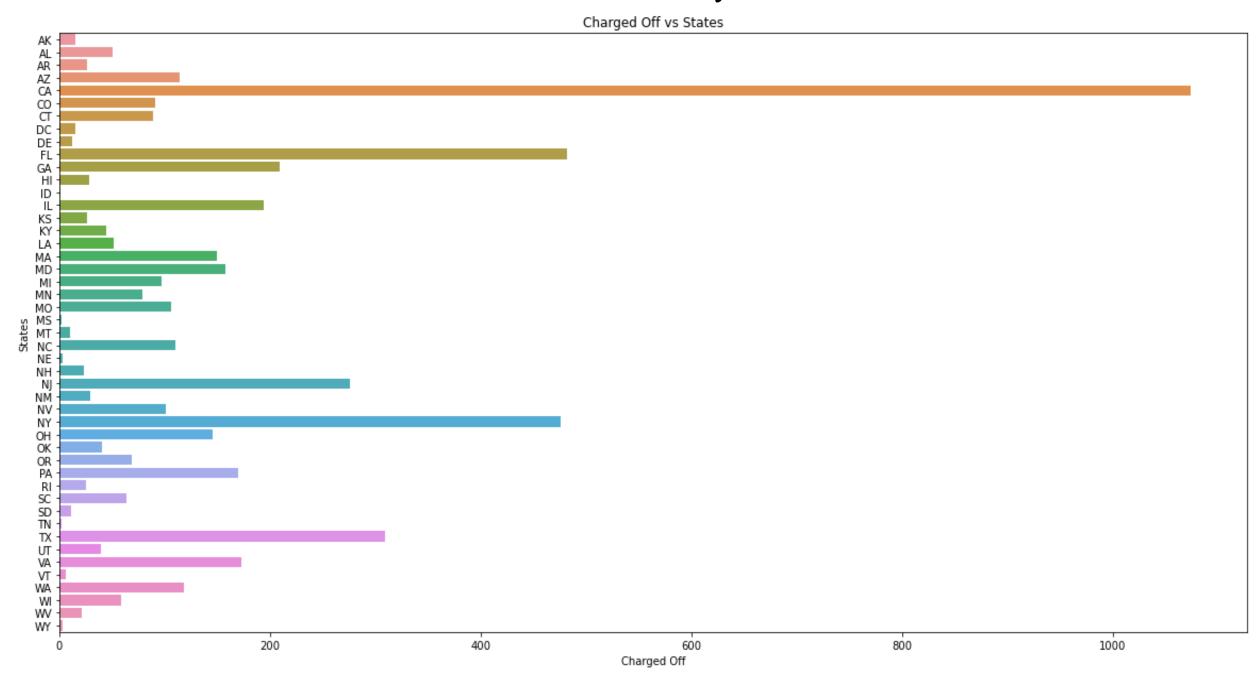
Key observations:

- 1. Most of the loans are fully paid and a small chunk of loans are charged off. This means that the lending is going in the right direction.
- 2. Most of the loans are grade 'A' and 'B'. This means that most of the loans are high graded. This needs to be noted because there is a chance of high graded loans to be defaulted
- 3. Most of the loan applicants are having more than 10 years of experience.
- 4. Most of the loan applicants are either living in rent or under mortgaged.
- 5. There is a higher chunk of loan applicants with verification status as 'not verified'. This is a risky area and needs to taken care as it will increase the risk









Bivariate univariate analysis

Key observations:

- 1. Most of the loan applications are for debt consolidation. So, we need to be careful as it also has a higher tendency to be defaulted.
- 2. Load tenure of 60 months have higher ratio of charged off loans. So, high tenure loans have a higher chance of getting defaulted.
- 3. Employees with work experience of more than 10 years are funded the highest. One needs to be careful as they also have a high tendency to be defaulted.
- 4. Home ownership of both rented and mortgaged have almost equal tendency to be defaulted.
- 5. Loans funded are increasing from 2007 to 2011. This is positive sign as the loans are yielding profits.
- 6. Loans are highly funded in the state 'IA'. One needs to have a close watch on this state as it should not yield high defaulter.
- 7. Loans from the state 'CA' are highest in terms of fully paid and defaults. This means that this state have equal tendency for both but needs to have a watch on it since it also yields highest defaults.

Conclusion

- 1. Employees with more than 10 years of experience needs to have a watch as they are highly funded
- 2. Low grade loans are more defaulted
- 3. States with highest defaulters needs to be watched.
- 4. Loans are yielding profits and are having a positive impact. So far, the results are good.
- 5. Company should also diversify their loans to other categories as most of the loans are going to small business and housing loans
- 6. Company should also diversify their loans to employees with lesser experience as well as they are funding most of the employees with more than 10 years of experience
- 7. Other states(other than 'CA' and 'IA') should be funded more loans to diversify the portfolio.
- 8. Analysis needs to be done as to why so many loan applications are coming for debt consolidation purpose.