Case Study: Loan Repayment Analysis

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Identifying the Challenge



29%

of high-risk loans, resulting in

R\$ 5.5m

of accumulated loan debt,

causing lenders to incur financial loss and increased administrative burdens.

58%

of customers with high-risk repayment behavior,

causing damage to their credit score and additional fees and interest.

Based on 3,046 users who generated 6,588 loans



Key Concept: High-Risk Loans and Candidates

Loans Resulting in Repayment

... are assessed based on their default rate.

High-risk loans are considered those with a default rate that is an outlier compared to the category they belong to.

The categories are defined based on the principal amount. Outliers = $Q3 + 1.5 \times IQR$

Loans Resulting in Debt

... are considered high-risk loans.

A user's risk is defined by linking their purchasing and loan repayment behavior with the characteristics and quality of the loan.



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Users' Purchasing Habits

Identifying our users' purchasing habits



Based on RFM modeling

8%					
Champions					

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Extremely active with moderate to high monetary value.

Prefer to use *both* credit and debit cards.

Opt for installment plans that span an avg. of 3 installments.

Low transaction rejection rate (avg. 10%).

3% Big Spenders

Active customers with high monetary value.

Slight preference for online purchases.

Opt *frequently* for installment plans, typically spanning an *avg.* of 6 installments.

High transaction rejection rate (avg. 30%).

35% Promising

Active customers with low to moderate monetary value.

Opt *periodically* for installment plans, typically spanning an *avg.* of 3 installments.

6% Recent

Customers who entered our base recently with low to moderate monetary value.

Opt *frequently* for installment plans, typically spanning an *avg.* of 5 installments.

Moderate transaction rejection rate (avg. 21%).

48% Inactive

Customers with extremely low activity.

Opt *frequently* for installment plans, typically spanning an *avg. of 5 installments*.

Moderate transaction rejection rate (avg. 20%).



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Users' Repayment Behavior

Identifying our users' loan portfolio

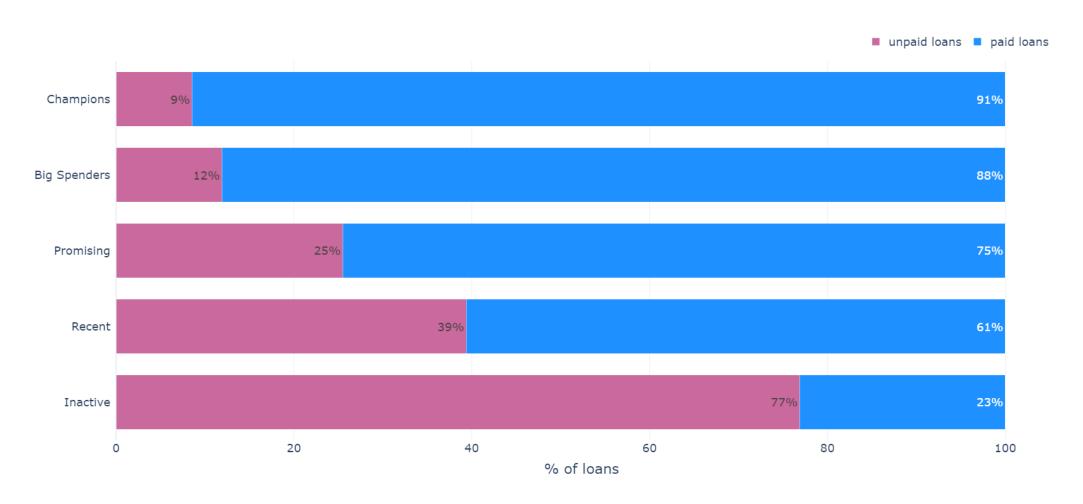
Interest Rate: small: less than 40%, medium: 40% - 100%, large: greater than 100%



Champions	Big Spenders	Promising	Recent	Inactive
Mainly large loans (90%).	Exclusive preference for large loans (97%).	Mainly large loans (89%).	Mainly large loans (79%).	Mainly large loans (89%).
Mostly loans with small interest and large interest rates (58% and 38% respectively).	Mostly loans with small interest and large interest rates (70% and 27% respectively).	A good mixture of loans with different interest rates (72% small, 7% medium and 21% large).	A good mixture of loans with different interest rates (55% small, 12% medium and 33% large).	Tend to avoid loans of medium to large interest rates (only 2%).
Prefer to breakdown the repayment into multiple small ones (39 of R\$265 each on average).	Prefer to breakdown the repayment into fewer larger ones (14 of R\$835 each on average).	Prefer to breakdown the repayment into multiple small ones (40 of R\$257 each on average).	Prefer to breakdown the repayment into fewer larger ones (14 of R\$663 each on average).	Prefer to breakdown the repayment into fewer larger ones (21 of R\$464 each on average) .
Amount: small: less than R\$ 3k, I	nedium: R\$ 3k – 5k, large: more th	an R\$5k	Prefer manual repayments over an automated plan.	Prefer manual repayments over an automated plan.

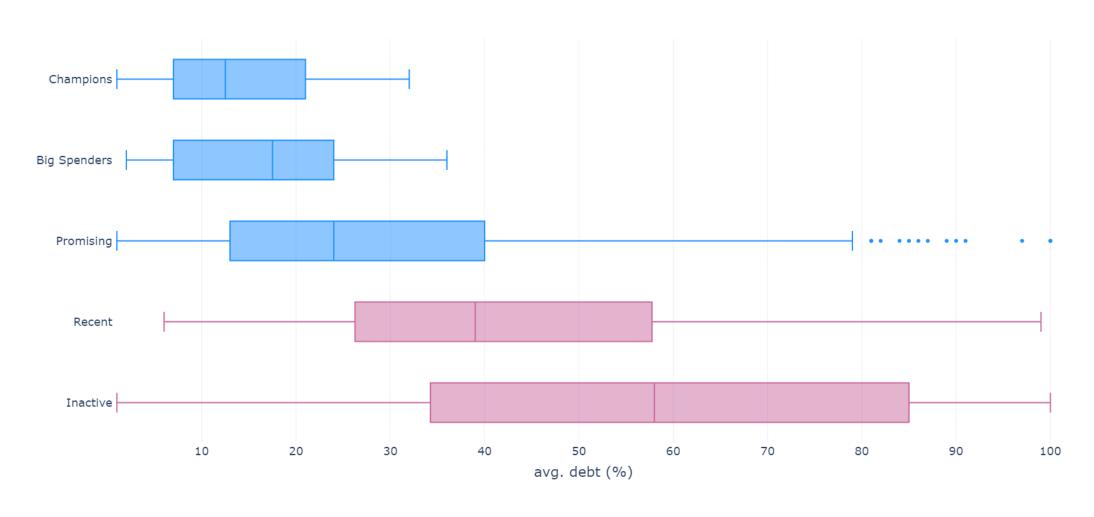


Recent and Inactive users are more prone incurring loan debt ...



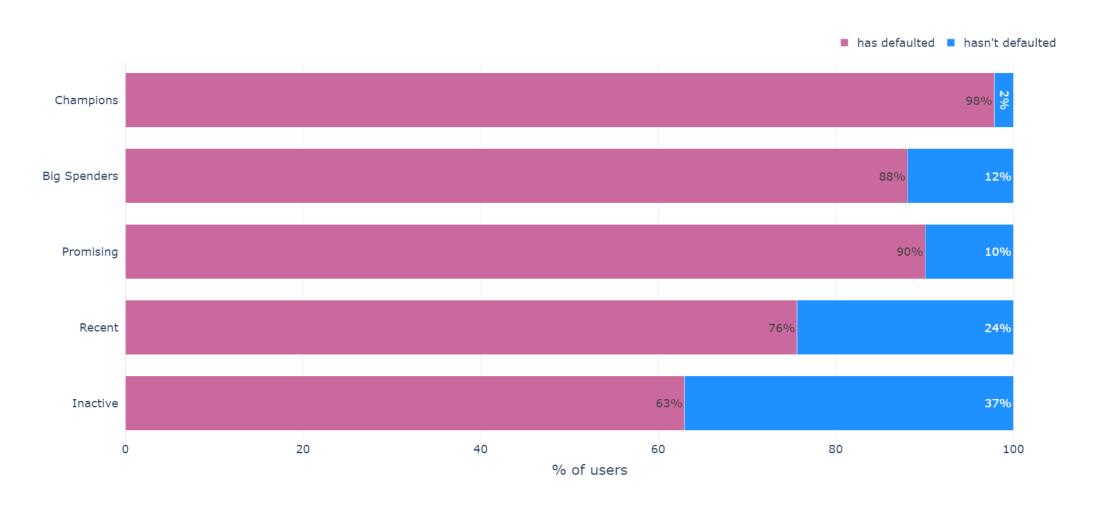


... and can potentially owe more than 50% of the loan amount



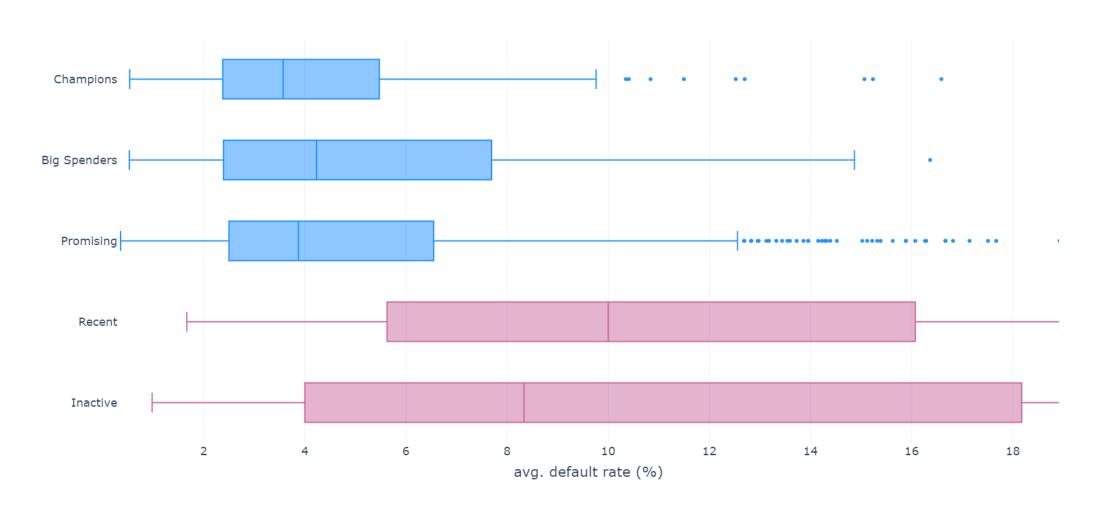


Frequent users exhibit a higher tendency towards defaulting ...



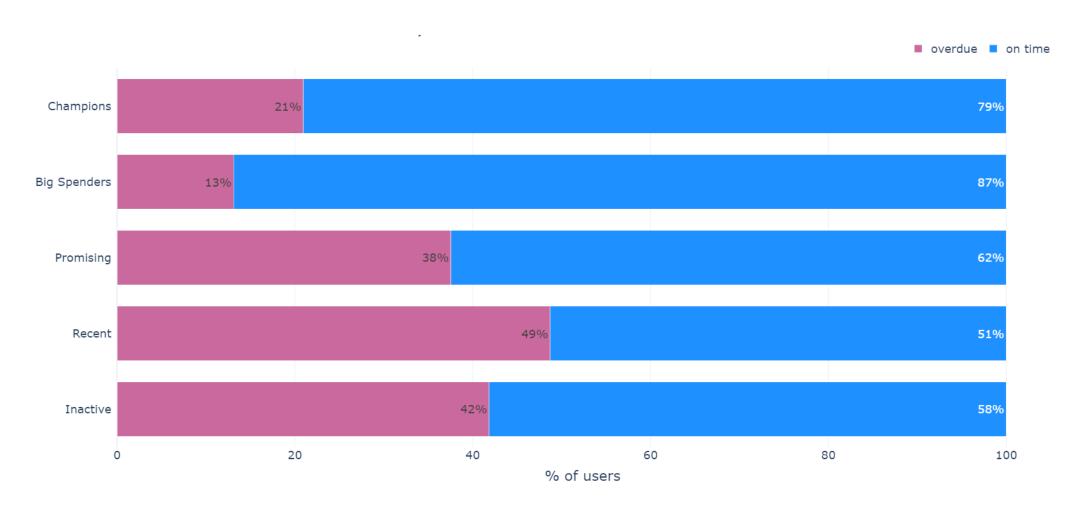


... however, infrequent users show greater repayment uncertainty





Users with low to moderate spending habits are likely to fall behind the due date





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User Loan Eligibility



Infrequent users present a high-risk repayment behavior

Champions

15%

high-risk loans

Inactive

63%

5%

high-risk loans

12%

Big Spenders

high-risk loans

Promising

high-risk loans

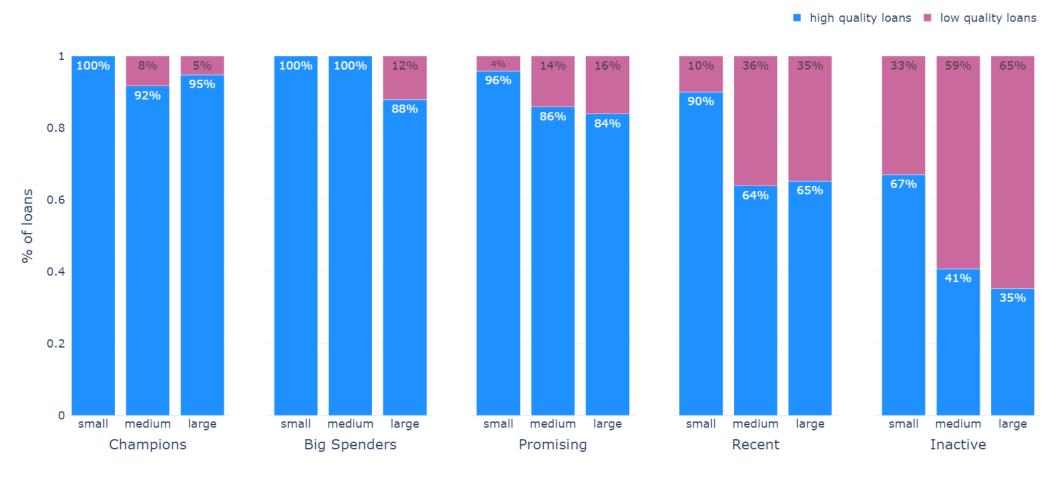
Recent

32%

high-risk loans



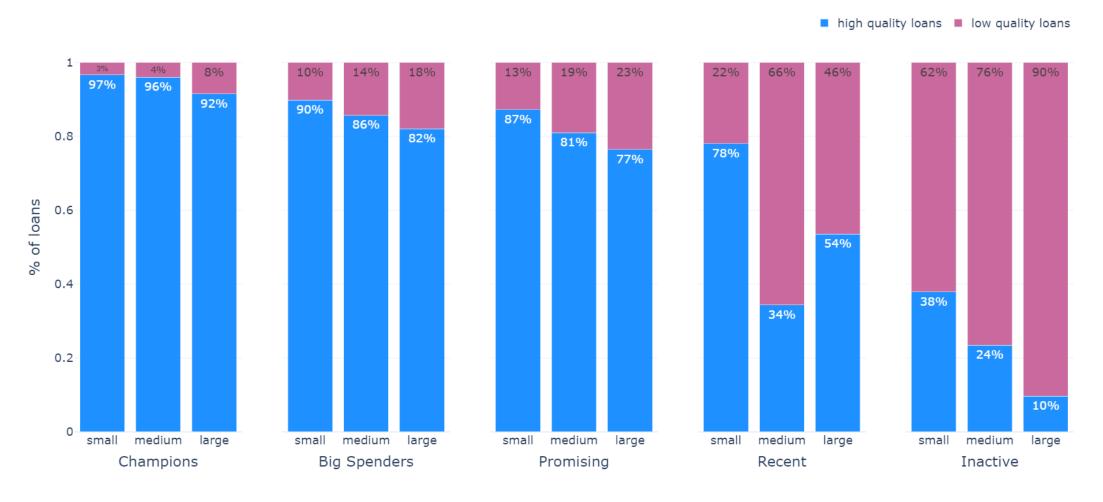
Risk increases with the loan amount, with *Recent* and *Inactive* users exhibiting a high-risk repayment behavior



small: less than R\$ 3k, medium: R\$ 3k – 5k, large: more than R\$ 5k



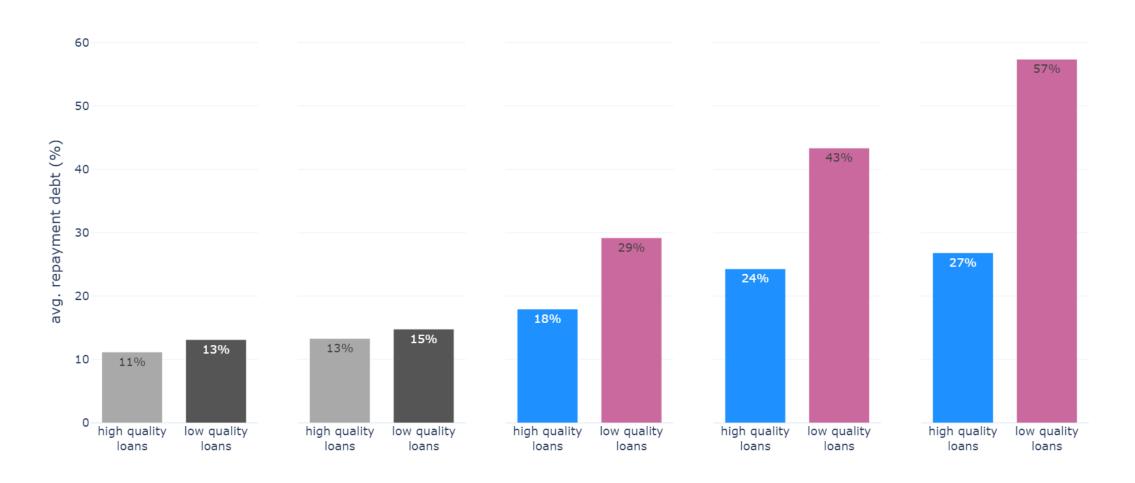
Similar risk can be observed in relation to the loan interest rates



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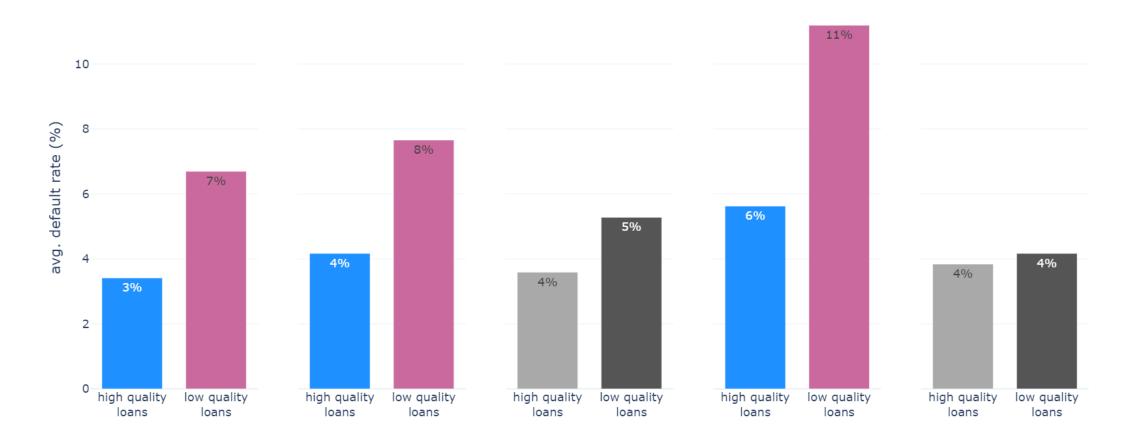


Users with a significant repayment debt, particularly *Recent* and *Inactive* users, exhibit poor repayment behavior





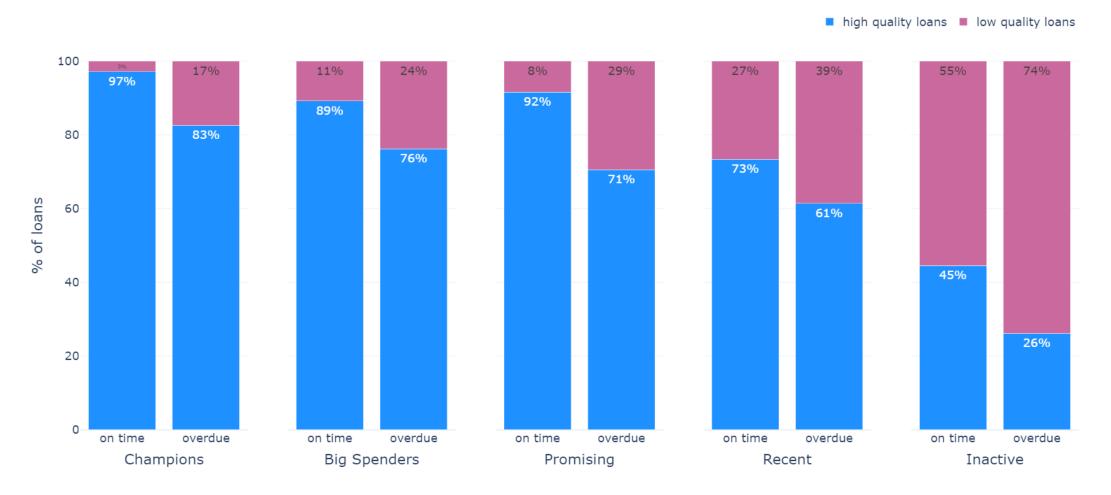
Higher default rates within the user segments are indicators of high-risk repayment behavior





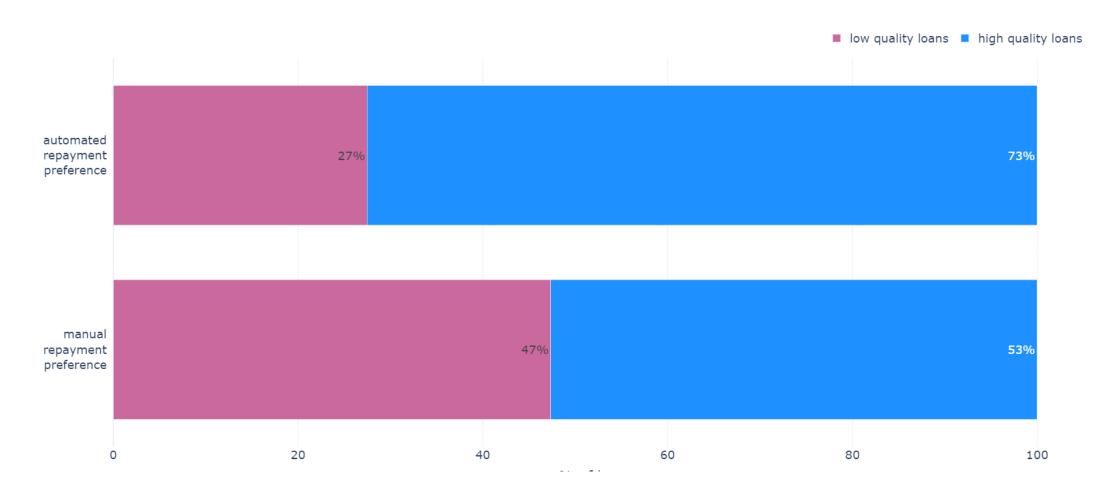


Recent and Inactive users have shown a higher propensity to miss their due dates





Users who don't prefer automated repayment schedules are more likely to exhibit riskier repayment behavior





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Loan Repayment Model and Analysis

The model identifies 71% of the high-risk loan candidates, however, with low confidence levels



Results on the test set

	Precision	Recall	F1 score
low-risk candidate	88%	83%	85%
high-risk candidate	62 %	71%	66%
overall	80%	80%	80%

Top predictive factors include

- purchasing behavior (RFM segments, transaction rejection rate, installment preference, preference of purchasing online)
- repayment behavior (preference of manual repayments, avg. repayment amount, users' portfolio of amount and interest rate sizes)

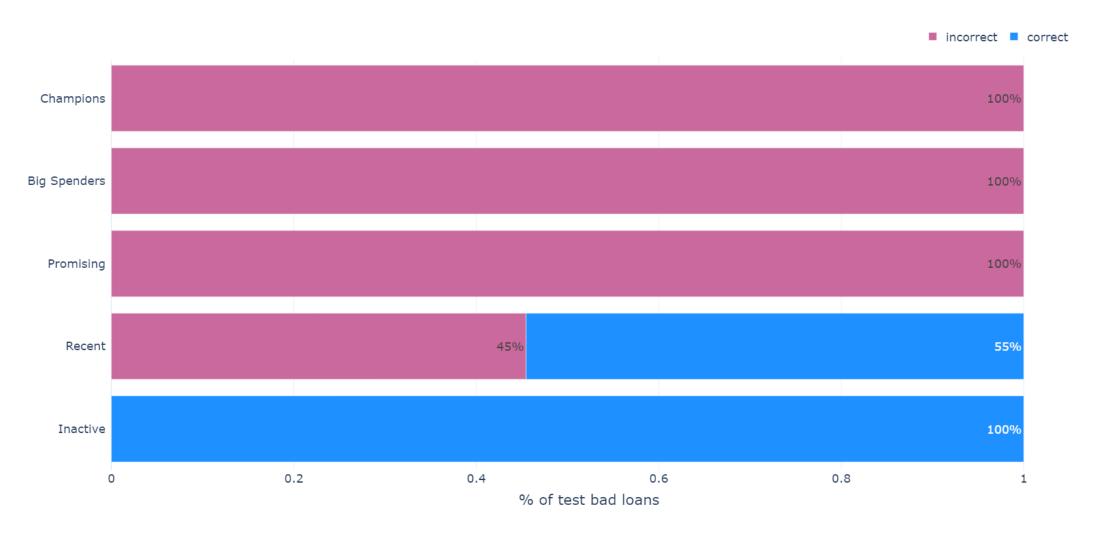
weighted avg. scores for Random Forest

loan characteristics



Challenge in predicting when "healthy" users incur high-risk loans

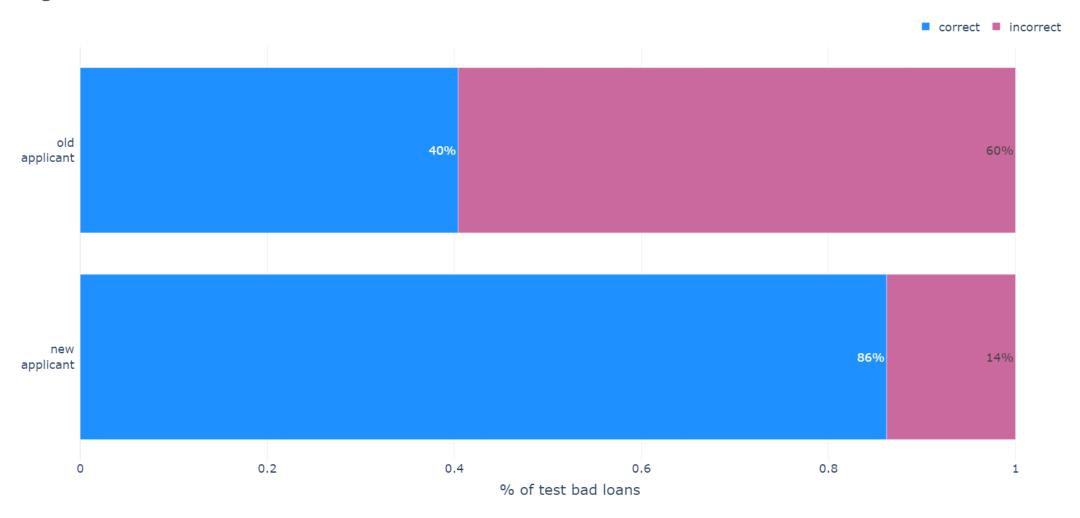
High-risk candidates in the test set



Although the model is accurate when assessing new applicants, its performance declines for old applicants



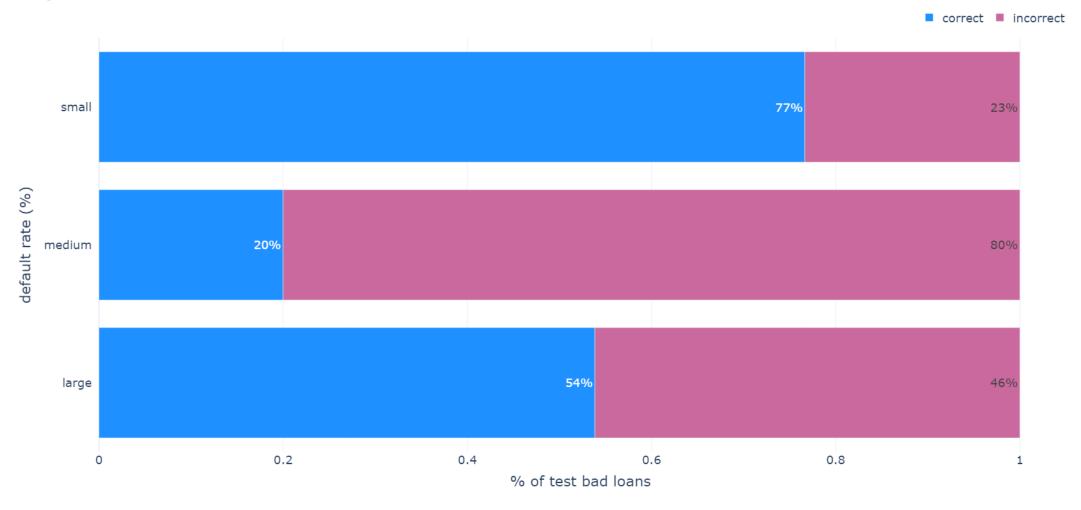
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Difficulty to capture bad loan candidates with medium to large default rates



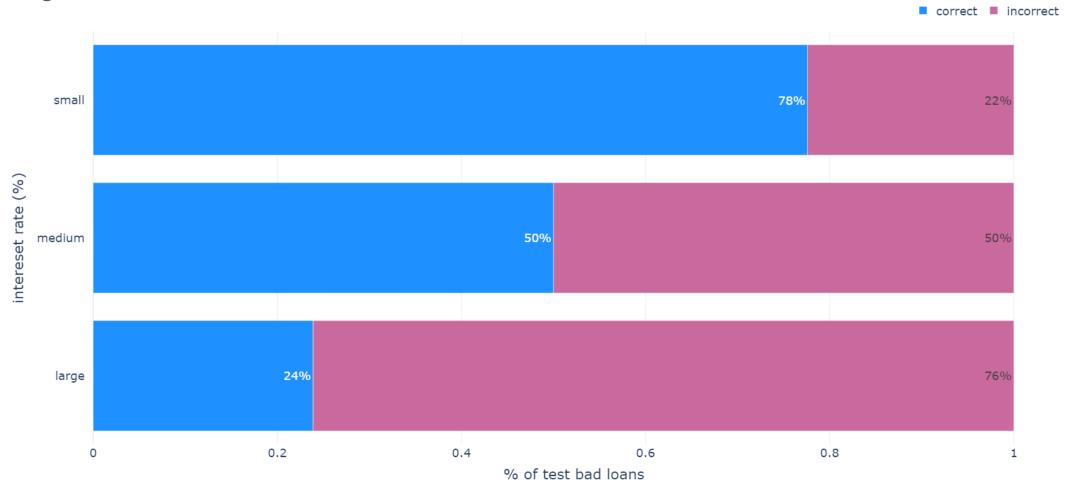
High-risk candidates in the test set



The model cannot capture bad repayment patterns mainly for loans with medium to large interest rates



High-risk candidates in the test set



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• **Expand the set of features** to include user demographics (e.g., state, age, occupation, etc.) and other various loan characteristics (e.g., loan purpose, etc.).

- Transition from RFM customer analysis to a more refined clustering method to model customer purchasing behavioral patterns.
- **User embeddings** to capture complex and nuanced information about the users' behaviors, attributes, and interactions.
- **Signal features** about the user, e.g., when the user is taking loans, changes in lending amounts, etc.. Withing the context of Lending, *different signals* have *different strengths* and can quantify when the user is **switching context**.



Thank You!



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QnA Session

