Financial Management and Risk Assessment of LendingClub Loans

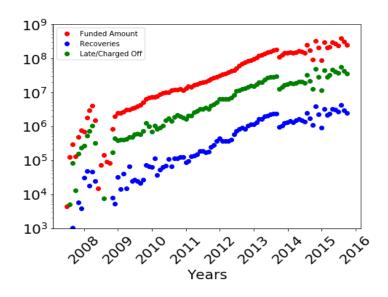
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Lending Club

- Not a bank but like a bank.
- Gives personal loans to \$40,000
- Connects investors for good returns.

Financial History

- Started in 2007
- Logarithmic growth over time.
- Large fraction of Late/charged-off payments.





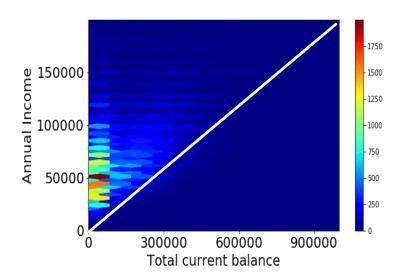
borrowers?

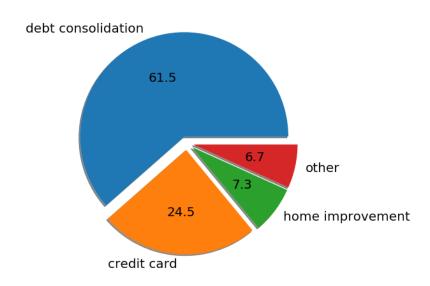
Who?

- Income below \$1,00,000.
- Current loans less than 5 times yearly income.

Why?

- Debt consolidation
- Credit card payment

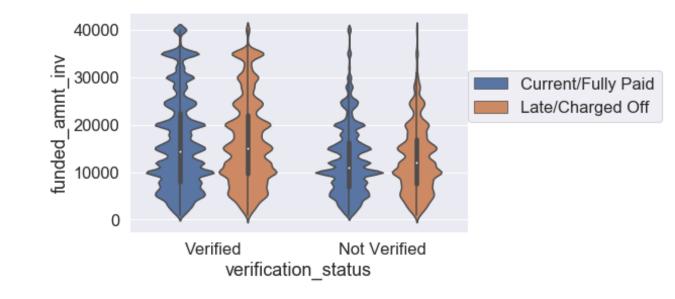




Loan Distribution

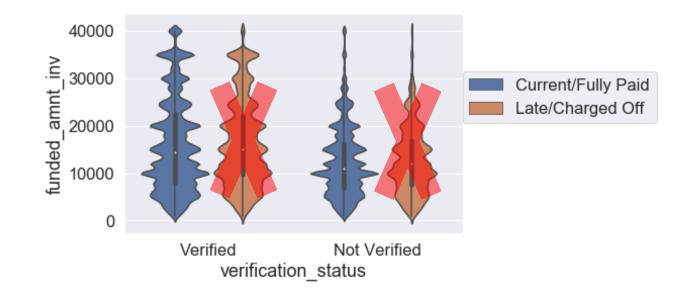
• Only income verified borrowers get high amount.

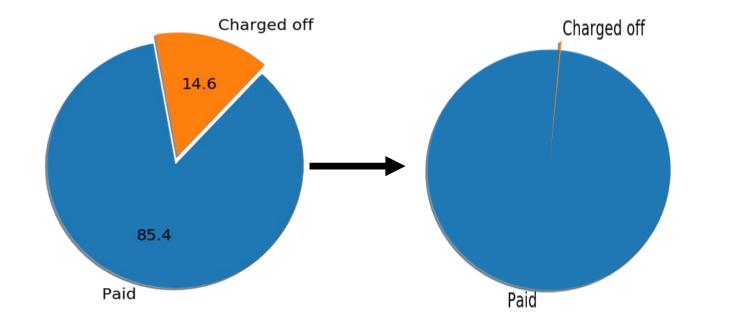
• Distribution among good and bad borrowers is similar.



Current Goal

- Minimize Late/charged-off payments.
- Risk quantification.
- Estimate returns.





Approach

• Borrower's Classification – Classification methods.

• Estimate return – from Regression methods

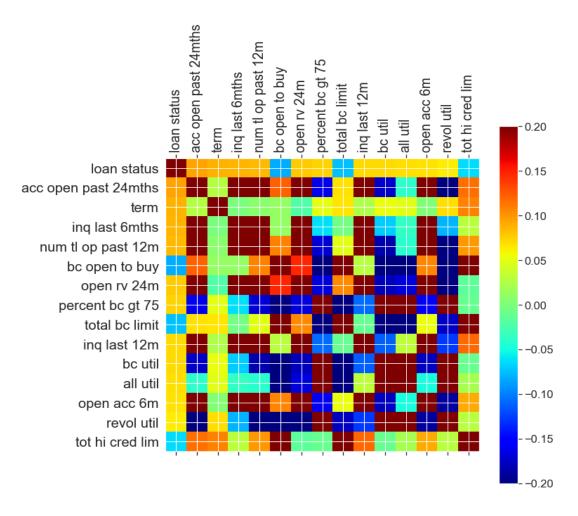
• Identifying management strategies — Data exploration

Important Features

• A rough approach

• Gives relative importance of variables.

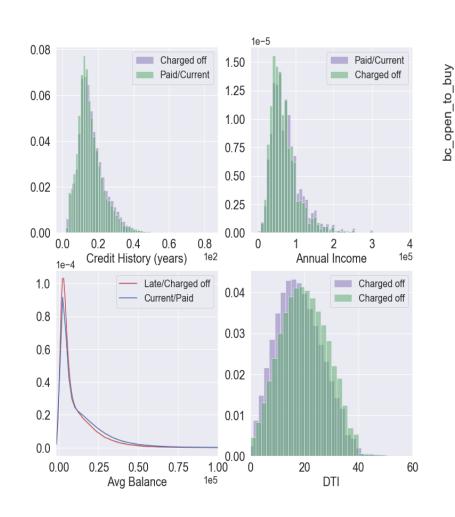
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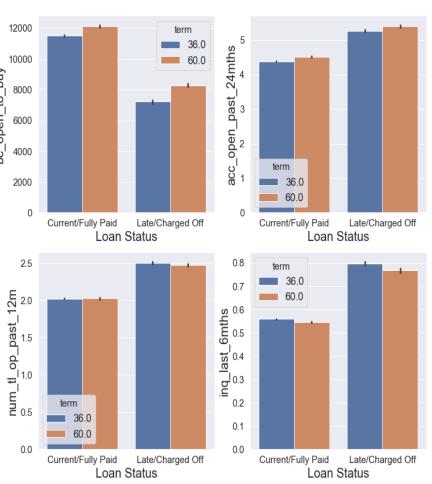


Recent Credit history

• History is more important than income.

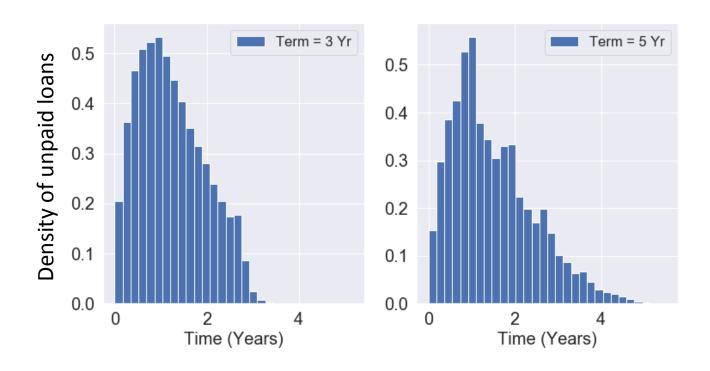
• Recent credit history is more important than long-term history.





Loan Terms

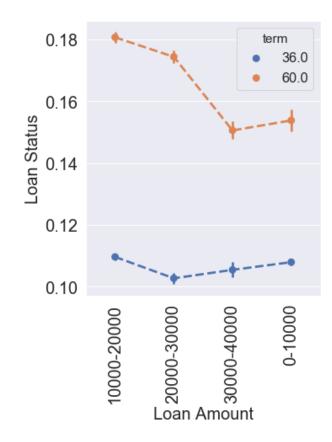
• Risk increases after a year of loan.

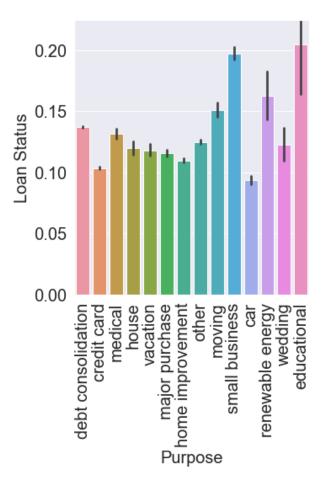


Risk

• Five year loans have higher risk compared to three year loans.

• Small business and educational loans have much higher risk compared to other categories.

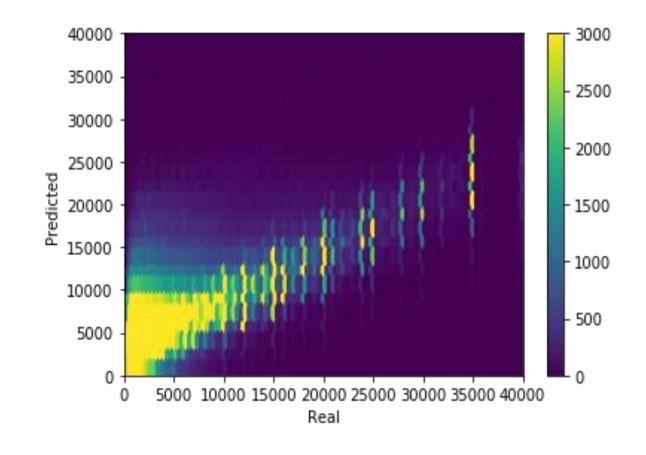




Predicting Returns

• Linear Regression using scikit-learn.

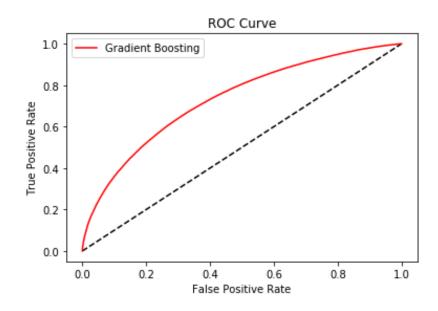
• Predicts how much principle amount is returned after the loan term.



Borrower's Classification

• Gradient Boosting classifier for borrower's classification.

• Calculates with 67% accuracy.

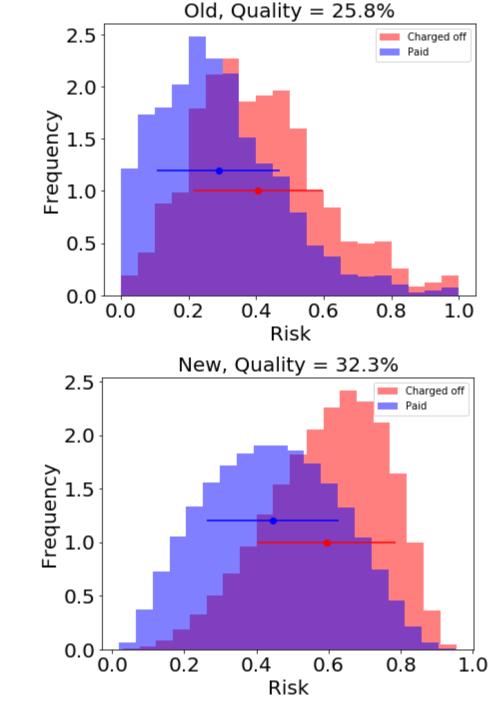


	precision	recall	f1-score	support
paid	0.66	0.68	0.67	134824
not-paid	0.67	0.65	0.66	134843
Avg AUC: 0.73	0.67	0.67	0.67	269667

Model Comparison

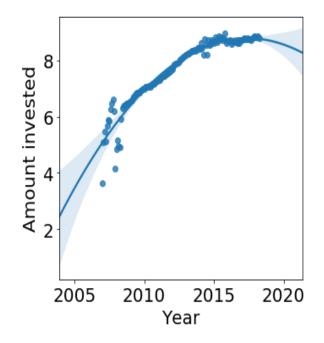
• Estimated the initial risk of Lending club from the interest of loans.

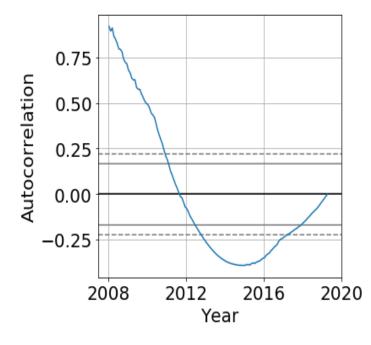
• Our model makes better risk estimation compared to previous Lendingclub approach.



Next Year's business

- Company makes rapid growth until 2015.
- We modelled investments $log(year)^3$.
- Predicts that company requires three hundred million investment next year.





Recommendations

- Our model provides a significantly better (25%) risk assessment of loans.
- Shorter term should be promoted to increase loan default rate.
- Loans on 'Education' and 'small business' can be discouraged.
- Short term history should be given more value compared to the long term credit history.