# Decision Trees and Random Forest Project

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# 1 Random Forest Project

For this project we will be exploring publicly available data from LendingClub.com. Lending Club connects people who need money (borrowers) with people who have money (investors). Hopefully, as an investor you would want to invest in people who showed a profile of having a high probability of paying you back. We will try to create a model that will help predict this.

Lending club had a very interesting year in 2016, so let's check out some of their data and keep the context in mind. This data is from before they even went public.

We will use lending data from 2007-2010 and be trying to classify and predict whether or not the borrower paid back their loan in full. You can download the data from here or just use the csv already provided. It's recommended you use the csv provided as it has been cleaned of NA values.

Here are what the columns represent: \* credit.policy: 1 if the customer meets the credit underwriting criteria of LendingClub.com, and 0 otherwise. \* purpose: The purpose of the loan (takes values "credit\_card", "debt\_consolidation", "educational", "major\_purchase", "small\_business", and "all\_other"). \* int.rate: The interest rate of the loan, as a proportion (a rate of 11% would be stored as 0.11). Borrowers judged by LendingClub.com to be more risky are assigned higher interest rates. \* installment: The monthly installments owed by the borrower if the loan is funded. \* log.annual.inc: The natural log of the self-reported annual income of the borrower. \* dti: The debt-to-income ratio of the borrower (amount of debt divided by annual income). \* fico: The FICO credit score of the borrower. \* days.with.cr.line: The number of days the borrower has had a credit line. \* revol.bal: The borrower's revolving balance (amount unpaid at the end of the credit card billing cycle). \* revol.util: The borrower's revolving line utilization rate (the amount of the credit line used relative to total credit available). \* inq.last.6mths: The borrower's number of inquiries by creditors in the last 6 months. \* delinq.2yrs: The number of times the borrower had been 30+ days past due on a payment in the past 2 years. \* pub.rec: The borrower's number of derogatory public records (bankruptcy filings, tax liens, or judgments).

# 2 Import Libraries

Import the usual libraries for pandas and plotting. You can import sklearn later on.

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import seaborn as sns
    %matplotlib inline
```

#### 2.1 Get the Data

\*\* Use pandas to read loan\_data.csv as a dataframe called loans.\*\*

```
In [2]: loans = pd.read_csv('loan_data.csv')
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\*\* Check out the info(), head(), and describe() methods on loans.\*\*

9578 non-null int64

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In [3]: loans.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> RangeIndex: 9578 entries, 0 to 9577 Data columns (total 14 columns): credit.policy 9578 non-null int64 9578 non-null object purpose 9578 non-null float64 int.rate 9578 non-null float64 installment log.annual.inc 9578 non-null float64 9578 non-null float64 dti fico 9578 non-null int64 days.with.cr.line 9578 non-null float64 revol.bal 9578 non-null int64 revol.util 9578 non-null float64 inq.last.6mths 9578 non-null int64

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In [4]: loans.describe()

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std	0.396245	0.026847	207.071301	0.614813	6.883970	
min	0.000000	0.060000	15.670000	7.547502	0.000000	
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50%	1.000000	0.122100	268.950000	10.928884	12.665000	
75%	1.000000	0.140700	432.762500	11.291293	17.950000	
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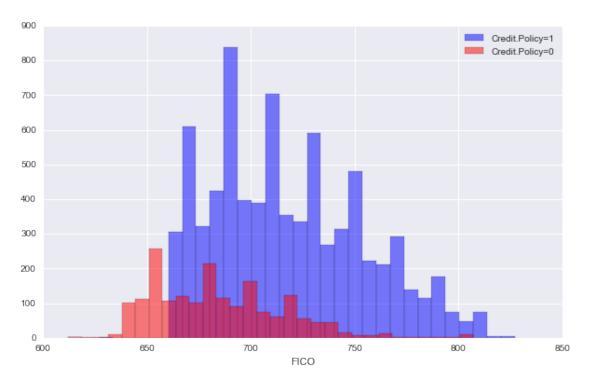
# 3 Exploratory Data Analysis

Let's do some data visualization! We'll use seaborn and pandas built-in plotting capabilities, but feel free to use whatever library you want. Don't worry about the colors matching, just worry about getting the main idea of the plot.

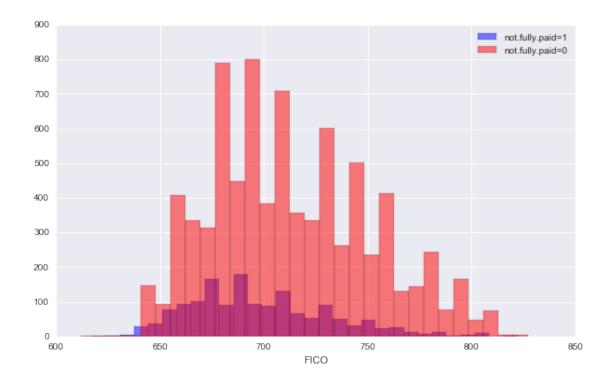
\*\* Create a histogram of two FICO distributions on top of each other, one for each credit.policy outcome.\*\*

Note: This is pretty tricky, feel free to reference the solutions. You'll probably need one line of code for each histogram, I also recommend just using pandas built in .hist()

Out[6]: <matplotlib.text.Text at 0x119963f28>

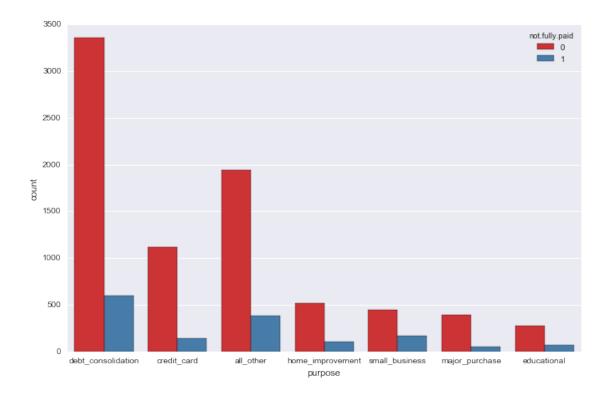


<sup>\*\*</sup> Create a similar figure, except this time select by the not.fully.paid column.\*\*



\*\* Create a countplot using seaborn showing the counts of loans by purpose, with the color hue defined by not.fully.paid. \*\*

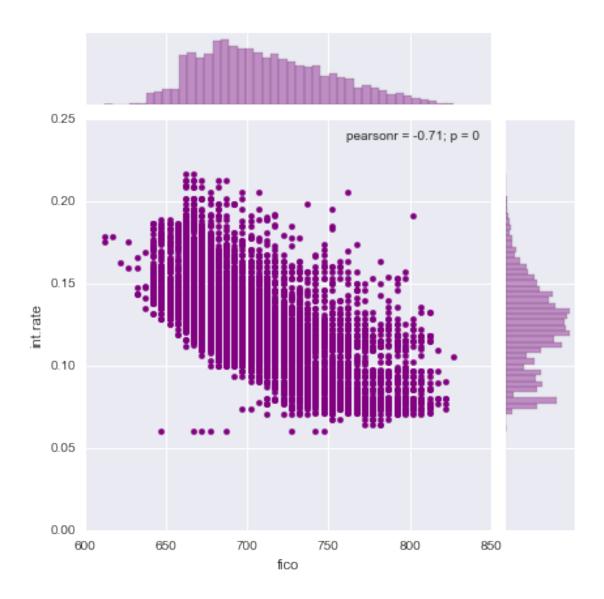
Out[8]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x119996828>



\*\* Let's see the trend between FICO score and interest rate. Recreate the following jointplot.\*\*

In [9]: sns.jointplot(x='fico',y='int.rate',data=loans,color='purple')

Out[9]: <seaborn.axisgrid.JointGrid at 0x119963320>



\*\* Create the following Implots to see if the trend differed between not.fully.paid and credit.policy. Check the documentation for Implot() if you can't figure out how to separate it into columns.\*\*

Out[10]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x11d34b668>

<matplotlib.figure.Figure at 0x11d3094e0>



# 4 Setting up the Data

Let's get ready to set up our data for our Random Forest Classification Model! **Check loans.info() again.** 

```
In [12]: loans.info()
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 9578 entries, 0 to 9577
Data columns (total 14 columns):

credit.policy 9578 non-null int64 9578 non-null object purpose 9578 non-null float64 int.rate 9578 non-null float64 installment log.annual.inc 9578 non-null float64 dti 9578 non-null float64 fico 9578 non-null int64 9578 non-null float64 days.with.cr.line 9578 non-null int64 revol.bal revol.util 9578 non-null float64 inq.last.6mths 9578 non-null int64 9578 non-null int64 deling.2yrs pub.rec 9578 non-null int64 9578 non-null int64 not.fully.paid dtypes: float64(6), int64(7), object(1)

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## 4.1 Categorical Features

Notice that the **purpose** column as categorical

That means we need to transform them using dummy variables so sklearn will be able to understand them. Let's do this in one clean step using pd.get\_dummies.

Let's show you a way of dealing with these columns that can be expanded to multiple categorical features if necessary.

Create a list of 1 element containing the string 'purpose'. Call this list cat\_feats.

```
In [36]: cat_feats = ['purpose']
```

Now use pd.get\_dummies(loans,columns=cat\_feats,drop\_first=True) to create a fixed larger dataframe that has new feature columns with dummy variables. Set this dataframe as final\_data.

```
In [37]: final_data = pd.get_dummies(loans,columns=cat_feats,drop_first=True)
In [38]: final_data.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 9578 entries, 0 to 9577
Data columns (total 19 columns):
credit.policy
                              9578 non-null int64
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                              9578 non-null float64
purpose_debt_consolidation
                              9578 non-null float64
purpose_educational
purpose_home_improvement
                              9578 non-null float64
purpose_major_purchase
                              9578 non-null float64
purpose_small_business
                              9578 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(12), int64(7)
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## 4.2 Train Test Split

Now its time to split our data into a training set and a testing set!

<sup>\*\*</sup> Use sklearn to split your data into a training set and a testing set as we've done in the past.\*\*

## 4.3 Training a Decision Tree Model

Let's start by training a single decision tree first!

\*\* Import DecisionTreeClassifier\*\*

```
In [22]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
```

Create an instance of DecisionTreeClassifier() called dtree and fit it to the training data.

#### 4.4 Predictions and Evaluation of Decision Tree

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Create predictions from the test set and create a classification report and a confusion matrix.

```
In [25]: predictions = dtree.predict(X_test)
In [26]: from sklearn.metrics import classification_report,confusion_matrix
In [27]: print(classification_report(y_test,predictions))
                          recall f1-score
             precision
                                             support
                  0.85
                            0.82
                                      0.84
                                                 2431
                  0.19
                            0.23
                                      0.20
                                                  443
avg / total
                  0.75
                            0.73
                                      0.74
                                                 2874
In [28]: print(confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions))
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```

## 4.5 Training the Random Forest model

Now its time to train our model!

Create an instance of the RandomForestClassifier class and fit it to our training data from the previous step.

### 4.6 Predictions and Evaluation

Let's predict off the y\_test values and evaluate our model.

\*\* Predict the class of not.fully.paid for the X\_test data.\*\*

```
In [32]: predictions = rfc.predict(X_test)
```

Now create a classification report from the results. Do you get anything strange or some sort of warning?

```
In [33]: from sklearn.metrics import classification_report,confusion_matrix
In [34]: print(classification_report(y_test,predictions))
                         recall f1-score
             precision
                                             support
          0
                  0.85
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avg / total
                  0.81
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### Show the Confusion Matrix for the predictions.

```
In [35]: print(confusion_matrix(y_test,predictions))
[[2422 9]
  [431 12]]
```

### What performed better the random forest or the decision tree?

# 5 Great Job!