

# exploration

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## 0.1 Loan Data from Prosper Exploration

## 0.2 Preliminary Wrangling

This document explores a dataset containing 113,937 loans with 81 variables on each loan, including loan amount, borrower rate (or interest rate), current loan status, borrower income, borrower employment status, borrower credit history, and the latest payment information.

```
[1]: # import all packages and set plots to be embedded inline
import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sb

%matplotlib inline
```

```
[2]: # load in the dataset into a pandas dataframe, print statistics
loan = pd.read_csv('prosperLoanData.csv')
```

```
[3]: # high-level overview of data shape and composition
print(loan.shape)
print(loan.dtypes)
print(loan.head(10))
```

```
(113937, 81)
ListingKey          object
ListingNumber       int64
ListingCreationDate object
CreditGrade        object
Term               int64
...
PercentFunded       float64
Recommendations     int64
InvestmentFromFriendsCount  int64
InvestmentFromFriendsAmount float64
Investors           int64
Length: 81, dtype: object
```

	ListingKey	ListingNumber	ListingCreationDate	\
0	1021339766868145413AB3B	193129	2007-08-26 19:09:29.263000000	

1	10273602499503308B223C1	1209647	2014-02-27	08:28:07.900000000
2	0EE9337825851032864889A	81716	2007-01-05	15:00:47.090000000
3	0EF5356002482715299901A	658116	2012-10-22	11:02:35.010000000
4	0F023589499656230C5E3E2	909464	2013-09-14	18:38:39.097000000
5	0F05359734824199381F61D	1074836	2013-12-14	08:26:37.093000000
6	0F0A3576754255009D63151	750899	2013-04-12	09:52:56.147000000
7	0F1035772717087366F9EA7	768193	2013-05-05	06:49:27.493000000
8	0F043596202561788EA13D5	1023355	2013-12-02	10:43:39.117000000
9	0F043596202561788EA13D5	1023355	2013-12-02	10:43:39.117000000

	CreditGrade	Term	LoanStatus	ClosedDate	BorrowerAPR	\
0	C	36	Completed	2009-08-14 00:00:00	0.16516	
1	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.12016	
2	HR	36	Completed	2009-12-17 00:00:00	0.28269	
3	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.12528	
4	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.24614	
5	NaN	60	Current	NaN	0.15425	
6	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.31032	
7	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.23939	
8	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.07620	
9	NaN	36	Current	NaN	0.07620	

	BorrowerRate	LenderYield	...	LP_ServiceFees	LP_CollectionFees	\
0	0.1580	0.1380	...	-133.18	0.0	
1	0.0920	0.0820	...	0.00	0.0	
2	0.2750	0.2400	...	-24.20	0.0	
3	0.0974	0.0874	...	-108.01	0.0	
4	0.2085	0.1985	...	-60.27	0.0	
5	0.1314	0.1214	...	-25.33	0.0	
6	0.2712	0.2612	...	-22.95	0.0	
7	0.2019	0.1919	...	-69.21	0.0	
8	0.0629	0.0529	...	-16.77	0.0	
9	0.0629	0.0529	...	-16.77	0.0	

	LP_GrossPrincipalLoss	LP_NetPrincipalLoss	LP_NonPrincipalRecoverypayments	\
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	

	PercentFunded	Recommendations	InvestmentFromFriendsCount	\
0	1.0	0	0	

1	1.0	0	0
2	1.0	0	0
3	1.0	0	0
4	1.0	0	0
5	1.0	0	0
6	1.0	0	0
7	1.0	0	0
8	1.0	0	0
9	1.0	0	0

	InvestmentFromFriendsAmount	Investors
0	0.0	258
1	0.0	1
2	0.0	41
3	0.0	158
4	0.0	20
5	0.0	1
6	0.0	1
7	0.0	1
8	0.0	1
9	0.0	1

[10 rows x 81 columns]

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[4]: # change the name of all columns to lowercase and view info of data
loan.columns = loan.columns.str.lower()
loan.info()
```

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 113937 entries, 0 to 113936
Data columns (total 81 columns):
#   Column                                Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0   listingkey                            113937 non-null object
1   listingnumber                         113937 non-null int64
2   listingcreationdate                   113937 non-null object
3   creditgrade                           28953 non-null  object
4   term                                  113937 non-null int64
5   loanstatus                            113937 non-null object
6   closeddate                            55089 non-null  object
7   borrowerapr                           113912 non-null float64
8   borrowerrate                          113937 non-null float64
9   lenderyield                           113937 non-null float64
10  estimatedeffectiveyield                84853 non-null  float64
11  estimatedloss                          84853 non-null  float64
12  estimatedreturn                        84853 non-null  float64
13  prosperrating (numeric)                84853 non-null  float64
14  prosperrating (alpha)                  84853 non-null  object
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15	prosperscore	84853 non-null	float64
16	listingcategory (numeric)	113937 non-null	int64
17	borrowerstate	108422 non-null	object
18	occupation	110349 non-null	object
19	employmentstatus	111682 non-null	object
20	employmentstatusduration	106312 non-null	float64
21	isborrowerhomeowner	113937 non-null	bool
22	currentlyingroup	113937 non-null	bool
23	groupkey	13341 non-null	object
24	datecreditpulled	113937 non-null	object
25	creditscorerangelower	113346 non-null	float64
26	creditscorerangeupper	113346 non-null	float64
27	firstrecordedcreditline	113240 non-null	object
28	currentcreditlines	106333 non-null	float64
29	opencreditlines	106333 non-null	float64
30	totalcreditlinespast7years	113240 non-null	float64
31	openrevolvingaccounts	113937 non-null	int64
32	openrevolvingmonthlypayment	113937 non-null	float64
33	inquirieslast6months	113240 non-null	float64
34	totalinquiries	112778 non-null	float64
35	currentdelinquencies	113240 non-null	float64
36	amountdelinquent	106315 non-null	float64
37	delinquencieslast7years	112947 non-null	float64
38	publicrecordslast10years	113240 non-null	float64
39	publicrecordslast12months	106333 non-null	float64
40	revolvingcreditbalance	106333 non-null	float64
41	bankcardutilization	106333 non-null	float64
42	availablebankcardcredit	106393 non-null	float64
43	totaltrades	106393 non-null	float64
44	tradesneverdelinquent (percentage)	106393 non-null	float64
45	tradesopenedlast6months	106393 non-null	float64
46	debttoincomeratio	105383 non-null	float64
47	incomerange	113937 non-null	object
48	incomeverifiable	113937 non-null	bool
49	statedmonthlyincome	113937 non-null	float64
50	loankey	113937 non-null	object
51	totalprosperloans	22085 non-null	float64
52	totalprosperpaymentsbilled	22085 non-null	float64
53	ontimeprosperpayments	22085 non-null	float64
54	prosperpaymentslessthanonemonthlate	22085 non-null	float64
55	prosperpaymentsonemonthpluslate	22085 non-null	float64
56	prosperprincipalborrowed	22085 non-null	float64
57	prosperprincipaloutstanding	22085 non-null	float64
58	scoreexchangeattimeoflisting	18928 non-null	float64
59	loancurrentdaysdelinquent	113937 non-null	int64
60	loanfirstdefaultedcyclenumber	16952 non-null	float64
61	loanmonthssinceorigination	113937 non-null	int64
62	loannumber	113937 non-null	int64

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63  loanoriginalamount      113937 non-null  int64
64  loanoriginationdate    113937 non-null  object
65  loanoriginationquarter 113937 non-null  object
66  memberkey              113937 non-null  object
67  monthlyloanpayment     113937 non-null  float64
68  lp_customerpayments    113937 non-null  float64
69  lp_customerprincipalpayments 113937 non-null  float64
70  lp_interestandfees     113937 non-null  float64
71  lp_servicefees         113937 non-null  float64
72  lp_collectionfees      113937 non-null  float64
73  lp_grossprincipalloss  113937 non-null  float64
74  lp_netprincipalloss    113937 non-null  float64
75  lp_nonprincipalrecoverypayments 113937 non-null  float64
76  percentfunded          113937 non-null  float64
77  recommendations        113937 non-null  int64
78  investmentfromfriendscount 113937 non-null  int64
79  investmentfromfriendsamount 113937 non-null  float64
80  investors              113937 non-null  int64
dtypes: bool(3), float64(50), int64(11), object(17)
memory usage: 68.1+ MB

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[5]: # Subset the dataframe by selecting features of interest
cols = ['prosperrating (alpha)', 'loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr',
        '→statedmonthlyincome', 'incomerange', 'term',
        'employmentstatus']
loan_sub = loan[cols]
# data wrangling, remove loans with missing borrower APR information
loan_sub = loan_sub[~loan_sub.borrowerapr.isna()]

```

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[6]: # Get percent of borrowers whose stated monthly income greater than 30k
(loan_sub.statedmonthlyincome>30000).sum()/float(loan_sub.shape[0])

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[6]: 0.0028706369829341947

```

Less than 0.3% borrowers have stated monthly income greater than 30k, these can be seemed as outlier for the following analysis, so it is better to remove borrower records with income greater than 30k.

```

[7]: # data wrangling, remove loans with stated monthly income greater than 30k,
        →which are outliers
loan_sub = loan_sub[loan_sub.statedmonthlyincome<=30000]

```

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[8]: # Convert Employment status, income range and prosper rating (alpha) into
        →ordered categorical types

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ordinal_var_dict = {'employmentstatus':
    ↳ ['Employed', 'Self-employed', 'Full-time', 'Part-time', 'Retired', 'Other', 'Not_
    ↳ employed', 'Not available'], 'incomerange': ["$0", "$1-24,999",
    ↳ "$25,000-49,999", "$50,000-74,999", "$75,000-99,999", "$100,000+"],
    ↳ 'prosperrating (alpha)': ["HR", "E", "D", "C", "B", "A", "AA"]}
for var in ordinal_var_dict:
    ordered_var = pd.api.types.CategoricalDtype(ordered = True, categories =
    ↳ ordinal_var_dict[var])
    loan_sub[var] = loan_sub[var].astype(ordered_var)

```

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[9]: loan_sub.employmentstatus.value_counts()
```

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[9]: Employed          67135
     Full-time        26297
     Self-employed     6076
     Not available     5334
     Other             3805
     Part-time         1088
     Not employed      835
     Retired           794
     Name: employmentstatus, dtype: int64

```

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[10]: loan_sub['prosperrating (alpha)'].value_counts()
```

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[10]: C          18291
     B          15514
     A          14492
     D          14254
     E           9785
     HR          6918
     AA           5350
     Name: prosperrating (alpha), dtype: int64

```

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[11]: loan_sub.incomerange.value_counts()
```

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[11]: $25,000-49,999    32192
     $50,000-74,999    31049
     $100,000+         17035
     $75,000-99,999    16915
     $1-24,999         7274
     $0                 621
     Name: incomerange, dtype: int64

```

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[12]: loan_sub.term.value_counts()
```

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[12]: 36      87497
     60      24484

```

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12      1604
Name: term, dtype: int64
```

```
[13]: loan_sub.statedmonthlyincome.describe()
```

```
[13]: count      113585.000000
      mean        5452.015632
      std         3507.054457
      min           0.000000
      25%         3195.166667
      50%         4666.666667
      75%         6750.000000
      max        30000.000000
      Name: statedmonthlyincome, dtype: float64
```

```
[14]: loan_sub.borrowerapr.describe()
```

```
[14]: count      113585.000000
      mean         0.218913
      std         0.080360
      min         0.006530
      25%         0.156290
      50%         0.209840
      75%         0.283860
      max         0.512290
      Name: borrowerapr, dtype: float64
```

```
[15]: loan_sub.loanoriginalamount.describe()
```

```
[15]: count      113585.000000
      mean        8317.818576
      std         6224.982311
      min         1000.000000
      25%         4000.000000
      50%         6409.000000
      75%        12000.000000
      max        35000.000000
      Name: loanoriginalamount, dtype: float64
```

### 0.2.1 What is the structure of your dataset?

There are 113,937 observations in the dataset with 81 variables. Most variables are numeric in nature, some are objects. Variables are about loan information and borrower information.

### 0.2.2 What is/are the main feature(s) of interest in your dataset?

I'm most interested in figuring out what affects the Borrower's Annual Percentage Rate (APR) for the loan? And are there differences between loans depending on how large the original loan amount

was?

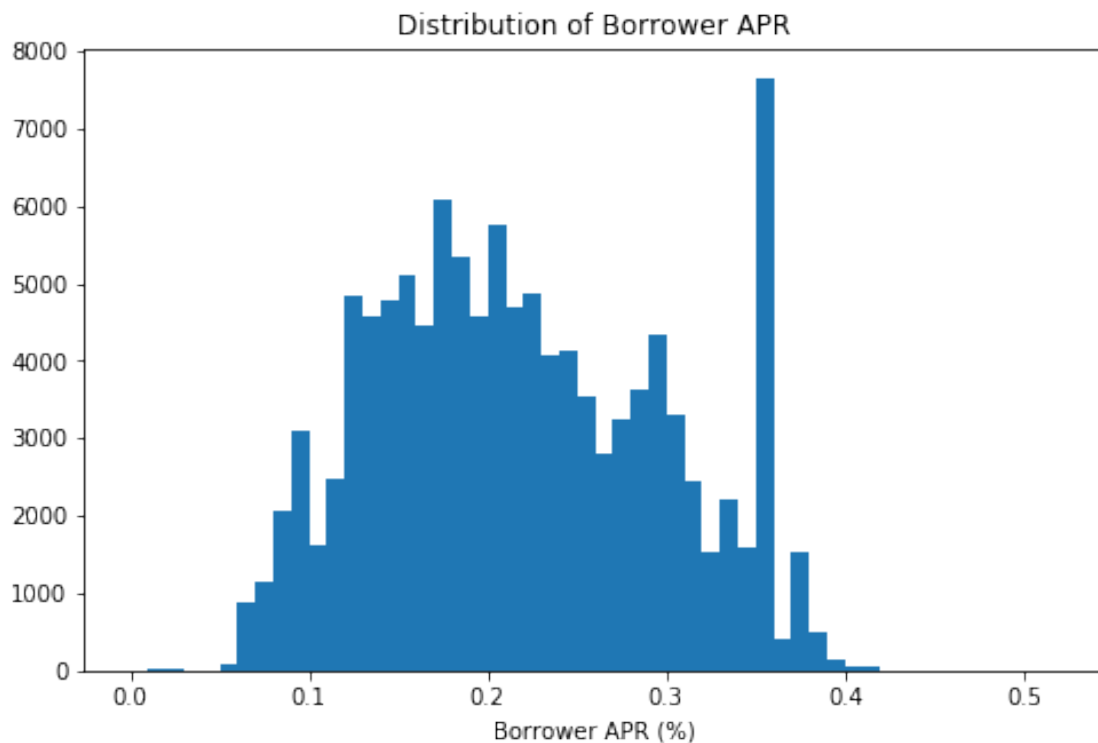
### 0.2.3 What features in the dataset do you think will help support your investigation into your feature(s) of interest?

I expect that borrower information such as LoanOriginalAmount, EmploymentStatus, Prosper-Rating (alpha), IncomeRange and Term will have the strongest effect on the borrower's APR.

## 0.3 Univariate Exploration

I'll start by looking at the distribution of the main variable of interest: the borrower APR.

```
[16]: # plotting borrower APR on a standard scale
binsize = 0.01
bins = np.arange(0, loan_sub['borrowerapr'].max()+binsize, binsize)
plt.figure(figsize=[8, 5])
plt.hist(data = loan_sub, x = 'borrowerapr', bins = bins)
plt.xlabel('Borrower APR (%)')
plt.title('Distribution of Borrower APR');
```



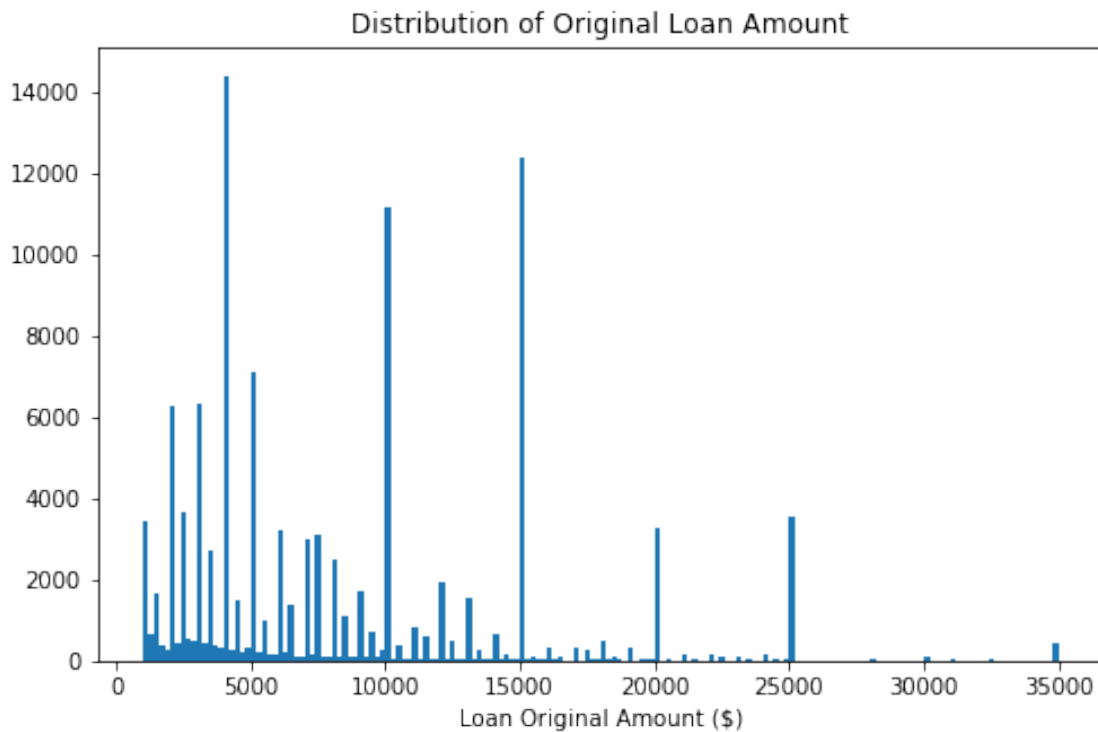
Borrower APR is the Borrower's Annual Percentage Rate (APR) for the loan. The distribution of APR looks multimodal, with a lot of borrowers on the borrower APR from 0.1-0.3, and few on the high borrower APR end (over 0.4). A small peak centered at 0.1, a large peak centered at 0.2. There is also a small peak centered 0.3. Additionally, there is a very shape peak between 0.35 and 0.36.



Next up, the first predictor variable of interest: Loan Original Amount.

```
[17]: # loan original amount with a standard-scaled plot
binsize = 200
bins = np.arange(1000, loan_sub['loanoriginalamount'].max()+binsize, binsize)

plt.figure(figsize=[8, 5])
plt.hist(data = loan_sub, x = 'loanoriginalamount', bins = bins)
plt.xlabel('Loan Original Amount ($)')
plt.title('Distribution of Original Loan Amount');
```



Loan Original Amount is the origination amount of the loan. The most popular Original Loan Amount are below 26k, especially there are some Original Loan Amounts that many borrowers chose such as below 5k, 10k, 15k, 20k, 25k. There are not too much original loan amounts over 26k.

I'll now move on to the three other variables in the dataset: income range and employment status and prosper rating (alpha).

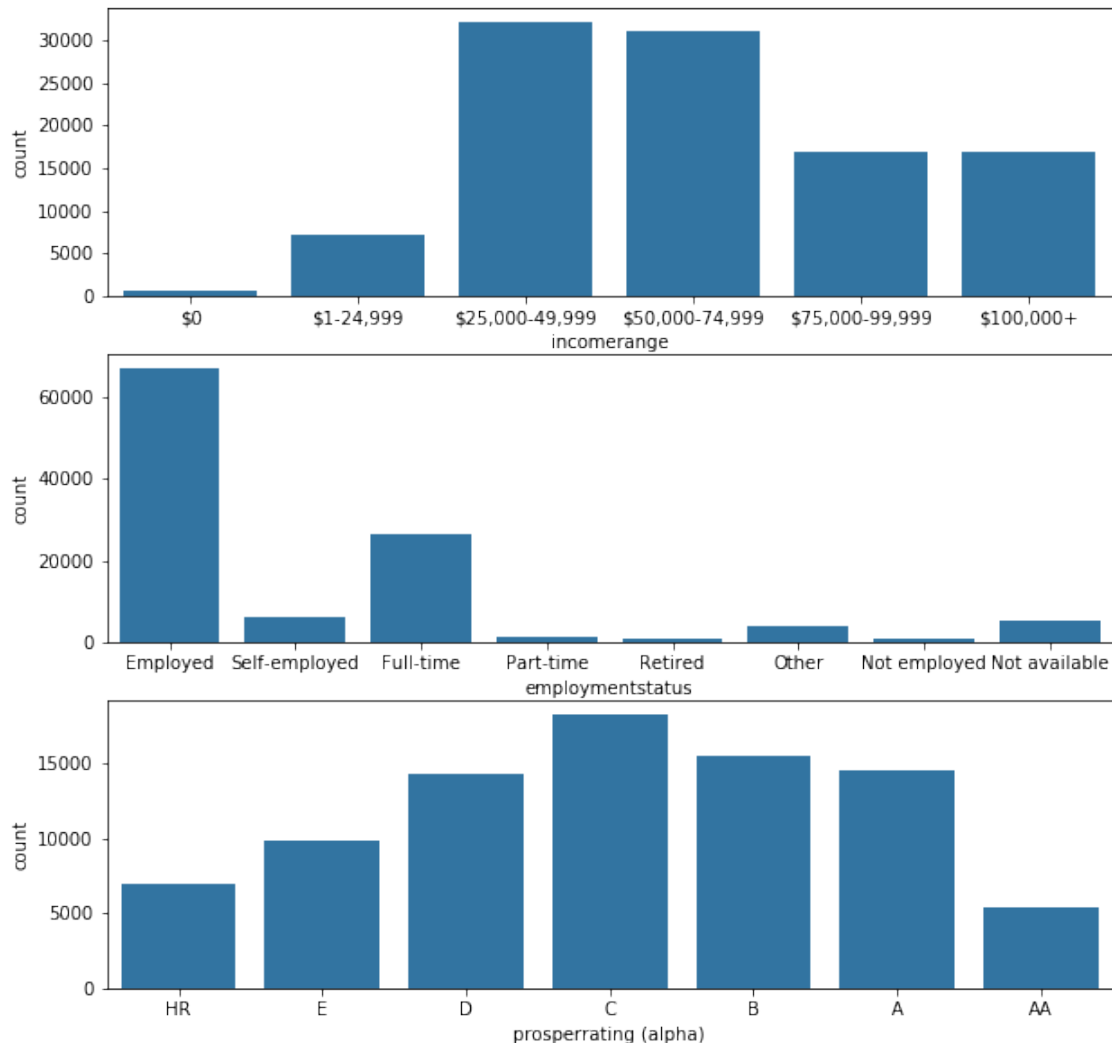
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[18]: # let's plot three together to get an idea of each ordinal variable's
      ↪ distribution.

fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=3, figsize = [10,10])
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default_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'incomerange', color = default_color, ax = _
↳ax[0])
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'employmentstatus', color = default_color, ax_
↳= ax[1])
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'prosperrating (alpha)', color = _
↳default_color, ax = ax[2])
plt.show();

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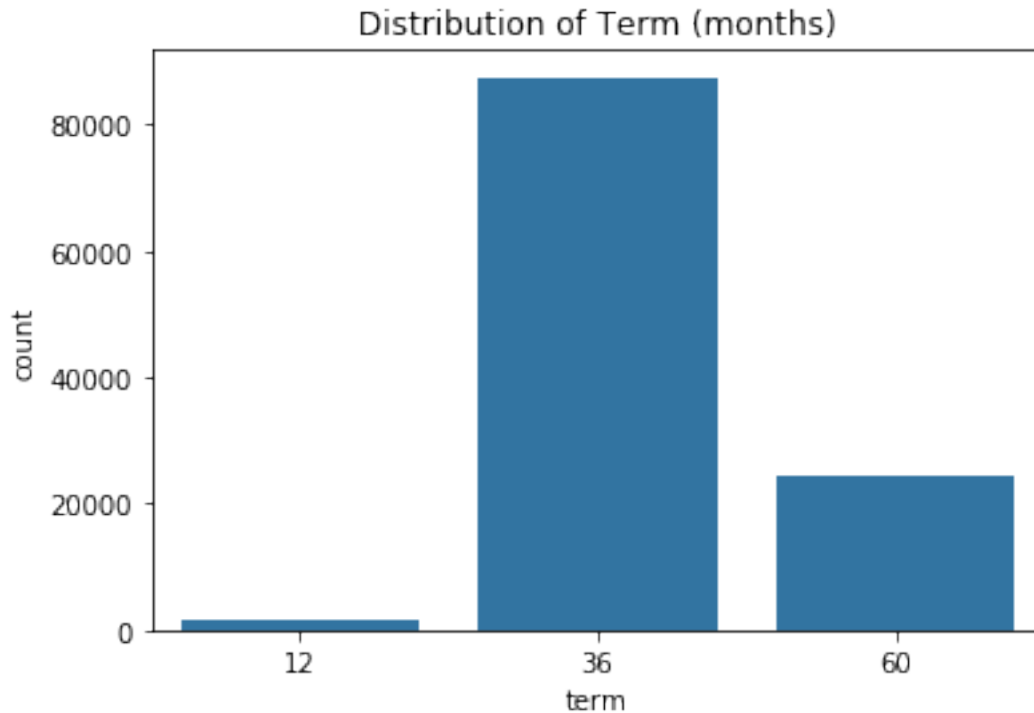


Income range is the income range of the borrower at the time the listing was created. The income range of the borrowers in the dataset is generally in range \ \$25,000-49,999 and \ \$50,000-74,999 , with most of them are employed and full-time. The most popular prosper rating (alpha) of borrowers is C, there is little the number of borrowers who has the prosper rating (alpha) is AA.

I'll now look at the other features in the data to see how their Term are?

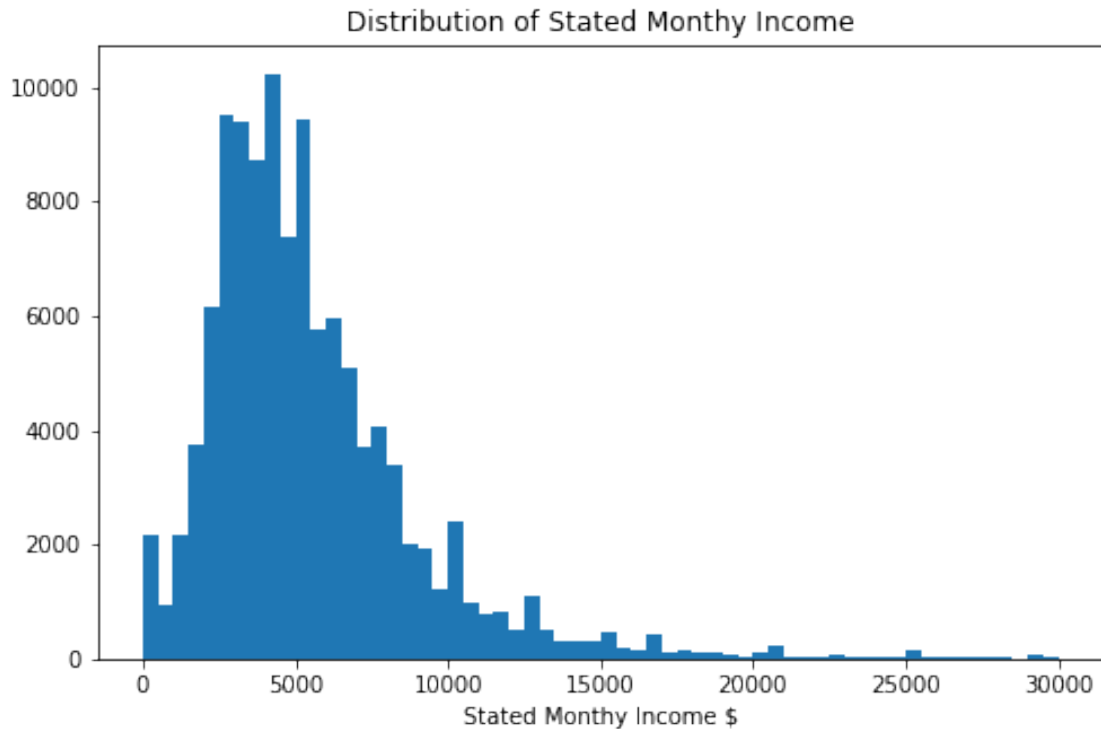
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[19]: default_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
      sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'term', color = default_color)
      plt.title('Distribution of Term (months)')
```

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[19]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Distribution of Term (months)')
```



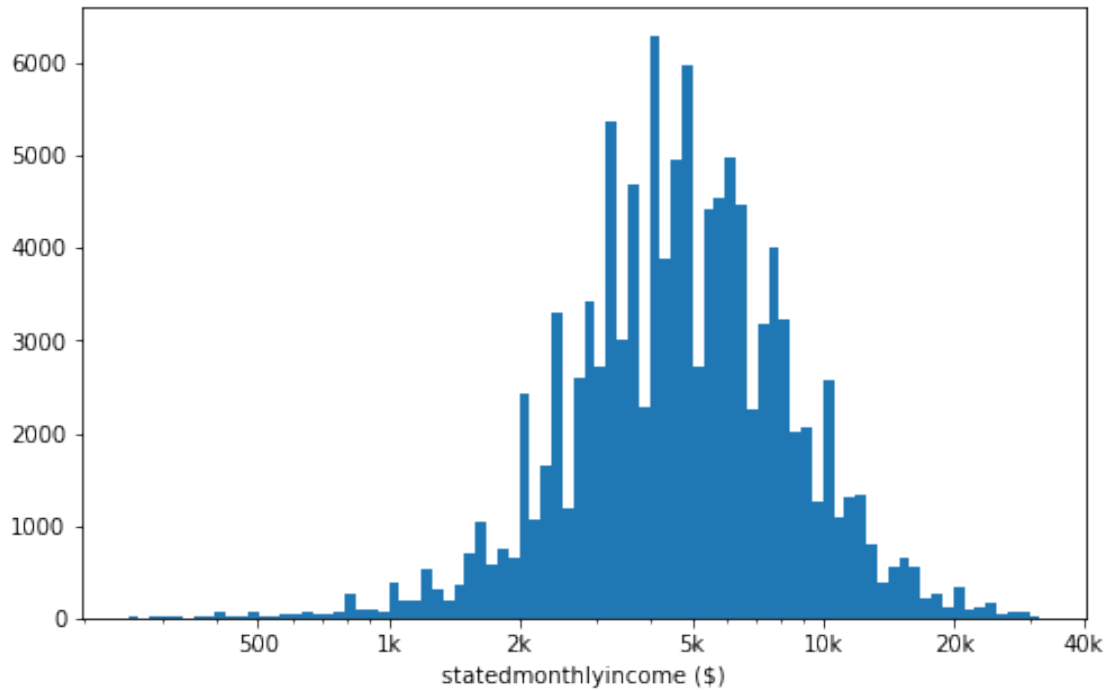
Term is the length of the loan expressed in months. There are three kinds of term and the most popular term is 36 months, the least term is 12 months.

```
[20]: # plotting Stated Monthly Income on a standard scale
      binsize = 500
      bins = np.arange(0, loan_sub['statedmonthlyincome'].max()+binsize, binsize)
      plt.figure(figsize=[8, 5])
      plt.hist(data = loan_sub, x = 'statedmonthlyincome', bins = bins)
      plt.xlabel('Stated Monthly Income $')
      plt.title('Distribution of Stated Monthly Income');
```



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[21]: # there's a long tail in the distribution, so let's put it on a log scale
      ↪ instead
log_binsize = 0.025
bins = 10 ** np.arange(2.4, np.log10(loan_sub['statedmonthlyincome'].
      ↪ max())+log_binsize, log_binsize)

plt.figure(figsize=[8, 5])
plt.hist(data = loan_sub, x = 'statedmonthlyincome', bins = bins)
plt.xscale('log')
plt.xticks([500, 1e3, 2e3, 5e3, 1e4, 2e4, 4e4], [500, '1k', '2k', '5k', '10k',
      ↪ '20k', '40k'])
plt.xlabel('statedmonthlyincome ($)')
plt.show()
```



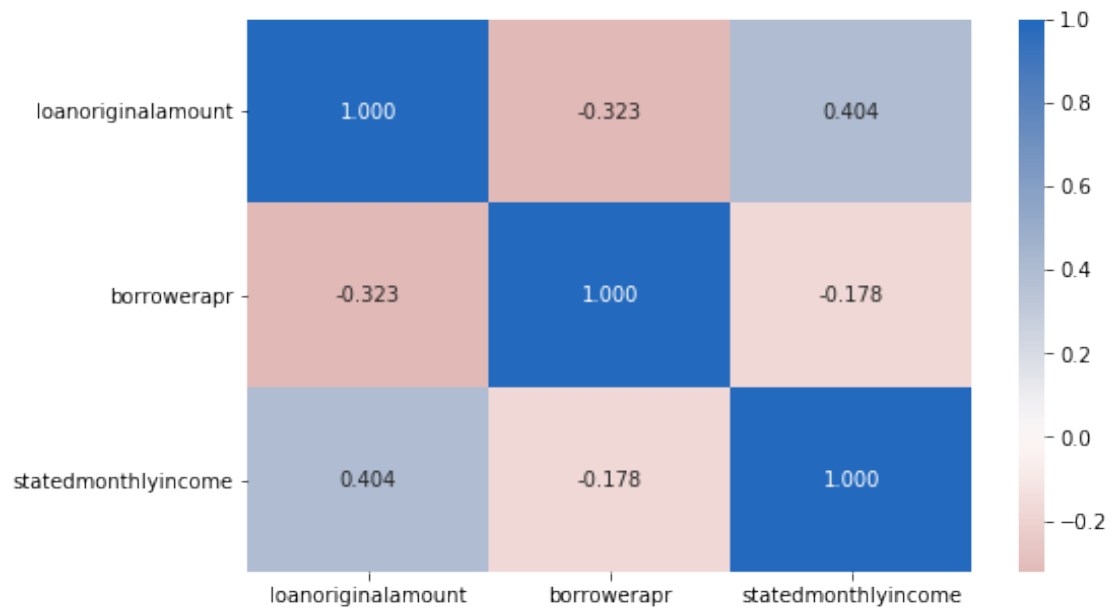
Stated Monthly Income has a long-tailed distribution, with a lot of borrowers have the low stated monthly income end, and few on the high stated monthly income end. The distribution of stated monthly income is severely right skewed, with most of stated monthly income less than 30k. When plotted on a log-scale, the Stated Monthly Income distribution looks with the peak between \$4,000-\$6,000.

## 0.4 Bivariate Exploration

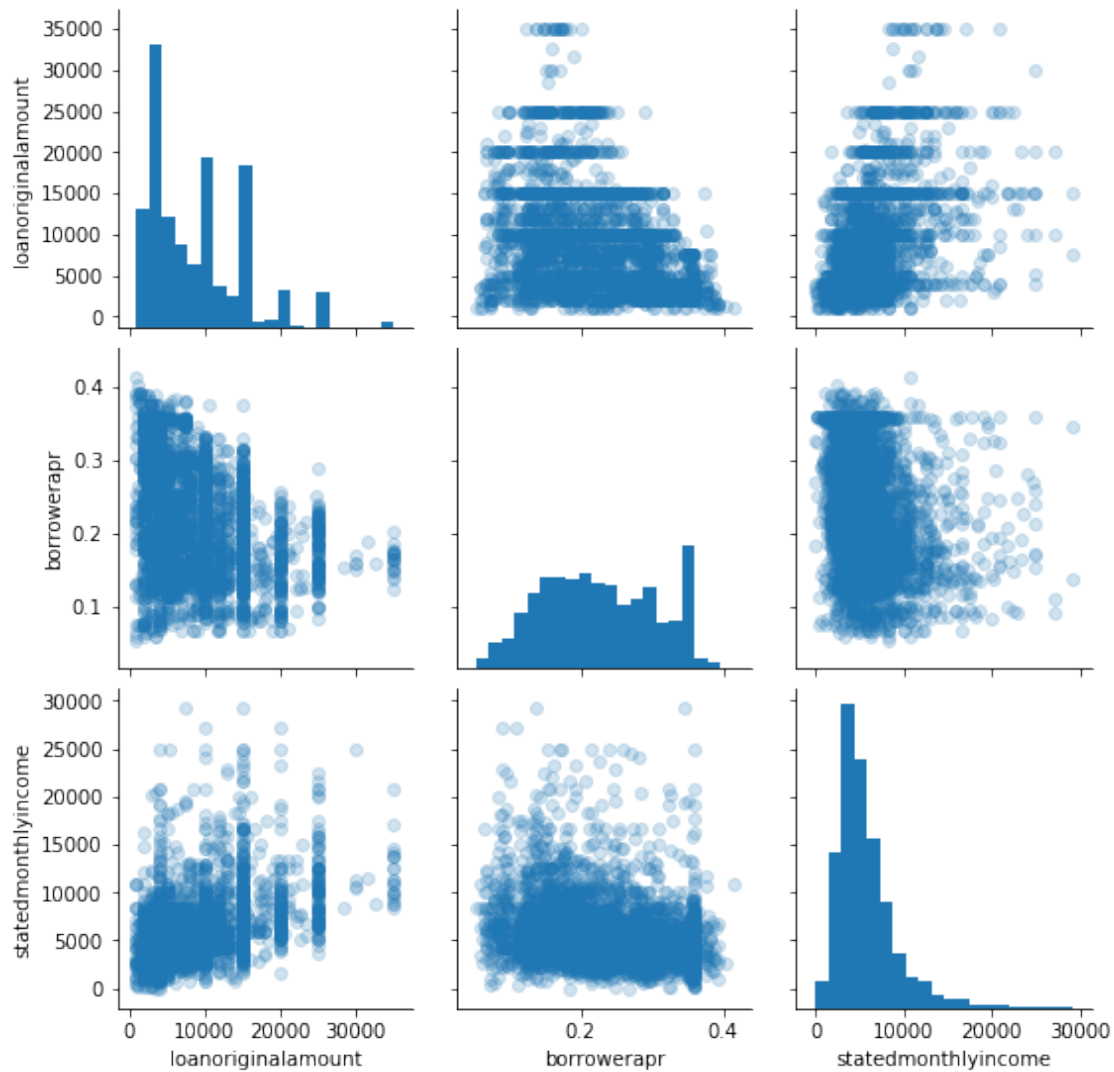
To start off with, I want to look at the pairwise correlations present between features in the data.

```
[22]: numeric_vars = ['loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr', 'statedmonthlyincome']
      categoric_vars = ['prosperating (alpha)', 'term', 'employmentstatus']
```

```
[23]: # correlation plot
      plt.figure(figsize = [8, 5])
      sb.heatmap(loan_sub[numeric_vars].corr(), annot = True, fmt = '.3f',
                  cmap = 'vlag_r', center = 0)
      plt.show()
```



```
[24]: # plot matrix: sample 5000 loans so that plots are clearer and render faster
loan_sub_samp = loan_sub.sample(5000)
g = sb.PairGrid(data = loan_sub_samp.dropna(), vars = numeric_vars)
g = g.map_diag(plt.hist, bins=20)
g.map_offdiag(plt.scatter, alpha=0.2);
```



The correlation coefficient of loan amount and stated monthly income is 0.404, therefore the loan original amount is positively correlated with the stated monthly income. It makes sense since borrowers with more monthly income could loan more money. The correlation coefficient of borrower APR and loan original amount is -0.323, the scatter plot also shows that these two variables are negatively correlated, which agrees with our hypothesis, that is the more the loan amount, the lower the APR.

Let's move on to looking at how borrower APR, stated monthly income and loan original amount correlate with the categorical variables.

```
[25]: # plot matrix of numeric features against categorical features.

def boxgrid(x, y, **kwargs):
    """ Quick hack for creating box plots with seaborn's PairGrid. """
    default_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
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sb.boxplot(x, y, color = default_color)

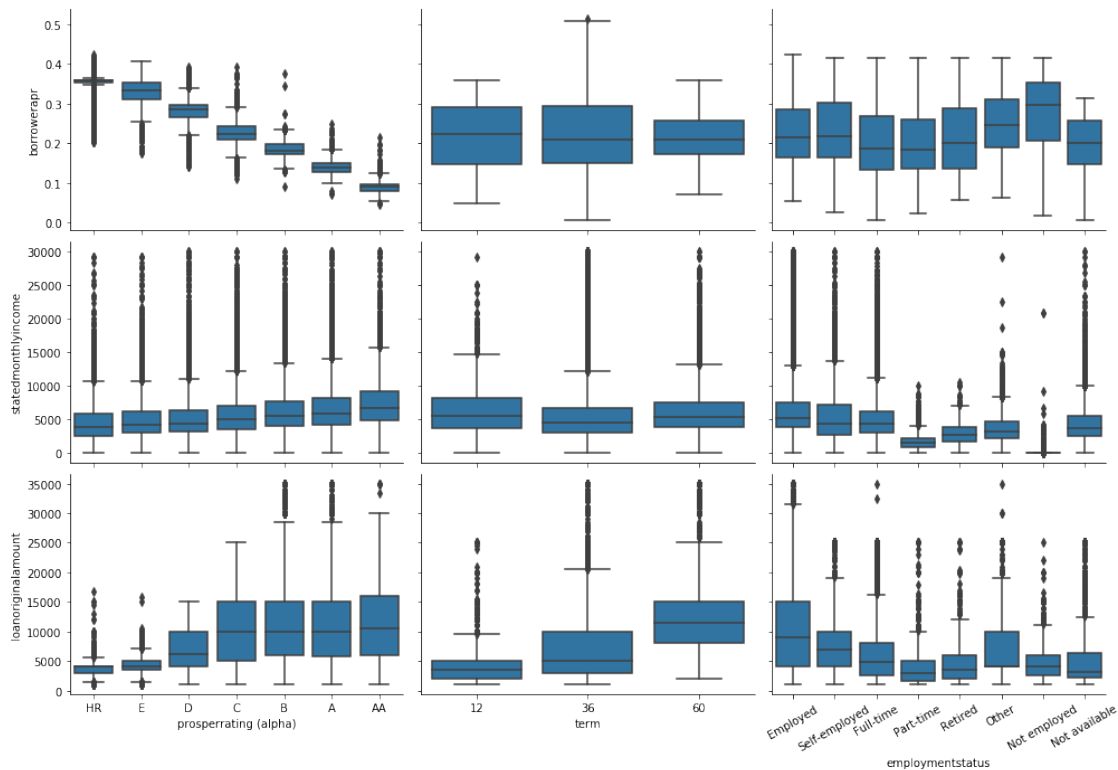
plt.figure(figsize = [10, 10])
g = sb.PairGrid(data = loan_sub, y_vars = ['borrowerapr',
→ 'statedmonthlyincome', 'loanoriginalamount'],
               x_vars = categoric_vars, size = 3, aspect = 1.5)
g.map(boxgrid);
plt.xticks(rotation=30);

```

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UserWarning: The `size` parameter has been renamed to `height`; please update  
your code.

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warnings.warn(UserWarning(msg))
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We see that the loan original amount increases with the increase of loan term. The borrower APR decreases with the better prosper rating (alpha). Borrowers with the best Prosper ratings have the lowest APR. It means that the Prosper rating has a strong effect on borrower APR. Borrowers with better rating also have larger stated monthly income and loan original amount. Employed, self-employed and full time borrowers have more stated monthly income and loan original amount than part-time, retired and not employed borrowers.



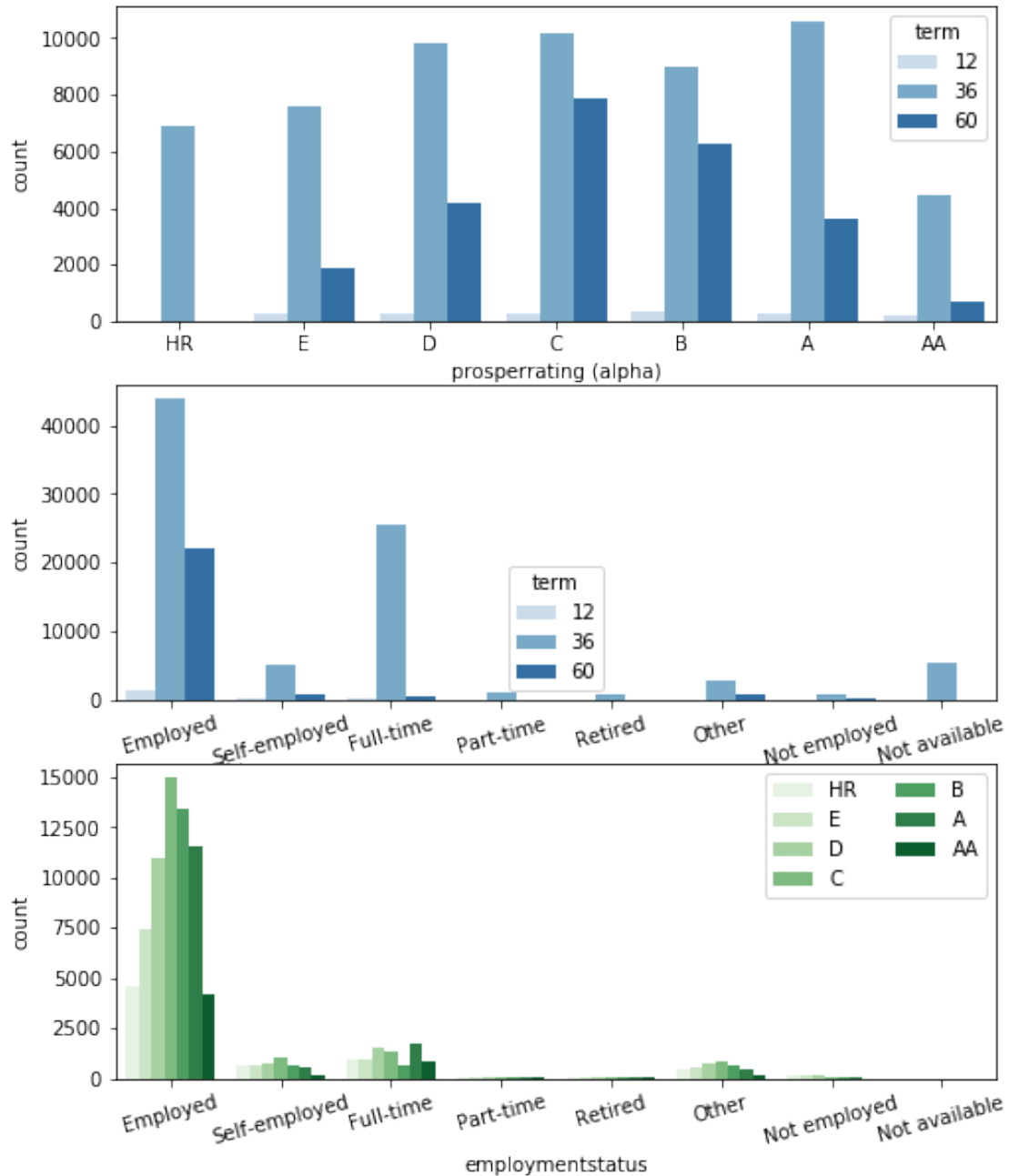
Finally, let's look at relationships between the three categorical features.

```
[26]: plt.figure(figsize = [8, 10])

# subplot 1: Prosper rating vs term
plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'prosperrating (alpha)', hue = 'term',
             palette = 'Blues')

# subplot 2: employment status vs. term
ax = plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'employmentstatus', hue = 'term', palette =
             'Blues')
plt.xticks(rotation=15)

# subplot 3: Prosper rating vs. employment status, use different color palette
ax = plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
sb.countplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'employmentstatus', hue = 'prosperrating
             (alpha)', palette = 'Greens')
ax.legend(loc = 1, ncol = 2); # re-arrange legend to remove overlapping
plt.xticks(rotation=15);
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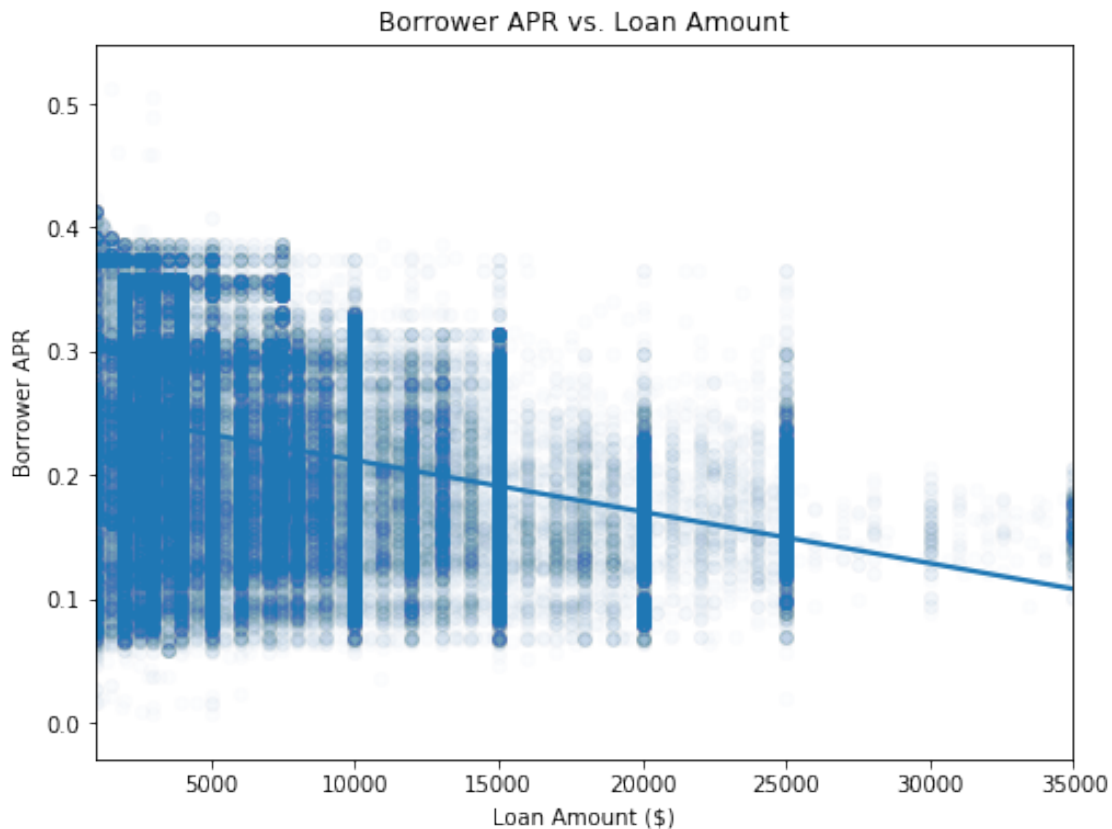


we can see that most of borrowers are employed and full-time and their borrow term is more at 36 months, their proper rating (alpha) is more on C and B. There is an interaction between term and Prosper rating. Proportionally, there are more 60 months loans on B and C ratings. There is only 36 months loans for HR rating borrowers.

With the preliminary look at bivariate relationships out of the way, I want to see how borrower APR and loan original amount are related to one another for all of the data.

### 0.4.1 Borrower APR vs. Loan Amount

```
[27]: plt.figure(figsize = [8, 6])
      sb.regplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'loanoriginalamount', y = 'borrowerapr',
      →scatter_kws={'alpha':0.01});
      plt.xlabel('Loan Amount ($)')
      plt.ylabel('Borrower APR')
      plt.title('Borrower APR vs. Loan Amount');
```

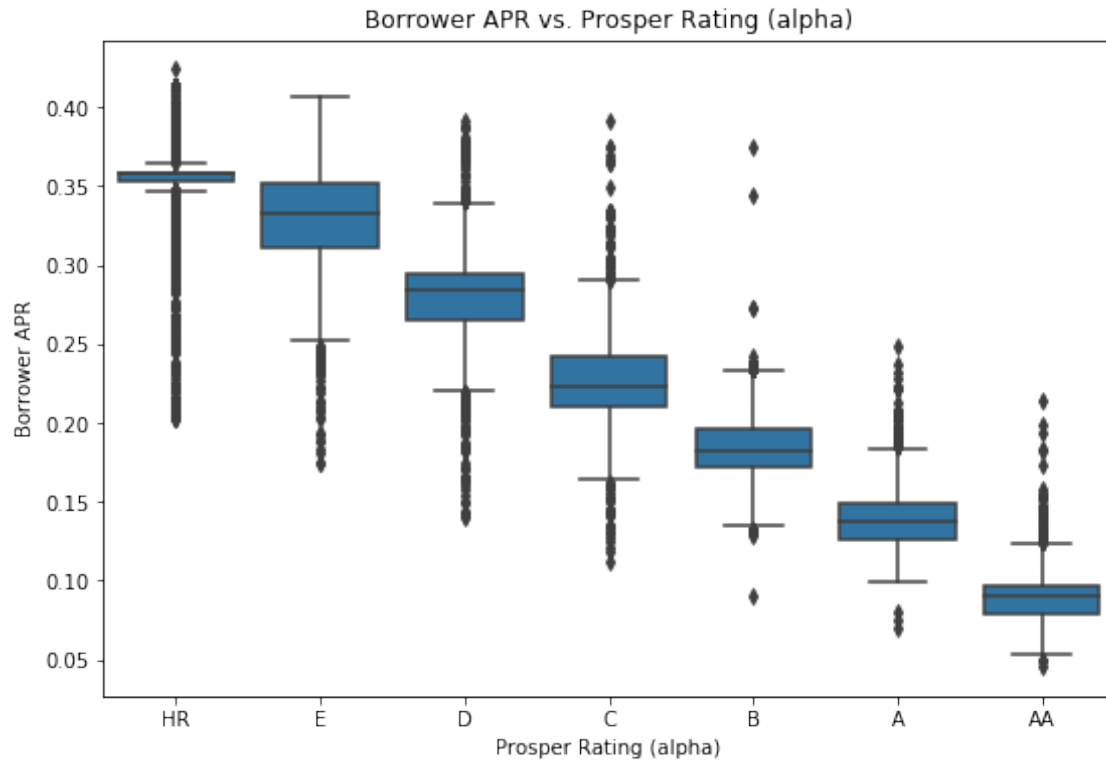


At different size of the loan amount, the APR has a large range, but the range of APR decrease with the increase of loan amount. The borrower APR and the loan amount have the negative correlation. Overall, the borrower APR decrease with larger of loan amount.

### 0.4.2 Borrower APR vs. Prosper Rating (alpha)

```
[28]: plt.figure(figsize=[9,6])
      default_color = sb.color_palette()[0]
      sb.boxplot(data=loan_sub, x='prosperrating (alpha)', y='borrowerapr',
      →color=default_color)
      plt.xlabel('Prosper Rating (alpha)')
      plt.ylabel('Borrower APR')
```

```
plt.title('Borrower APR vs. Prosper Rating (alpha)');
```



The borrower APR decreases with the increasingly better prosper rating. Borrowers with the best Prosper ratings have the lowest borrower APR. It means that the Prosper rating has a strong effect on borrower APR.

**0.5 Talk about some of the relationships you observed in this part of the investigation. How did the feature(s) of interest vary with other features in the dataset?**

The borrower APR is negatively associated with the loan original amount, which means the more the loan amount, the lower the APR. It also shows that at different size of the loan amount, the APR has a large range, but the range of APR decrease with the increase of loan amount. The Prosper rating also has a strong effect on the borrower APR, which decreases with the better rating.

The borrower APR is negatively associated with the prosper rating (alpha), which means the borrowers with the better Prosper ratings have the lower borrower APR. So the Prosper rating (alpha) has a strong effect on borrower APR.

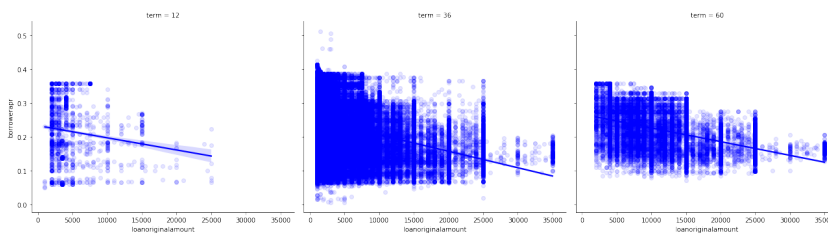
## 0.6 Did you observe any interesting relationships between the other features (not the main feature(s) of interest)?

The loan original amount is positively correlated with the stated monthly income, it makes sense since borrowers with more monthly income could loan more money. It also shows that borrowers with better rating also have larger monthly income and loan amount. There is an interaction between prosper rating and term. Proportionally, there are more 60 month loans on B and C ratings. There is only 36 months loans for HR rating borrowers.

## 0.7 Multivariate Exploration

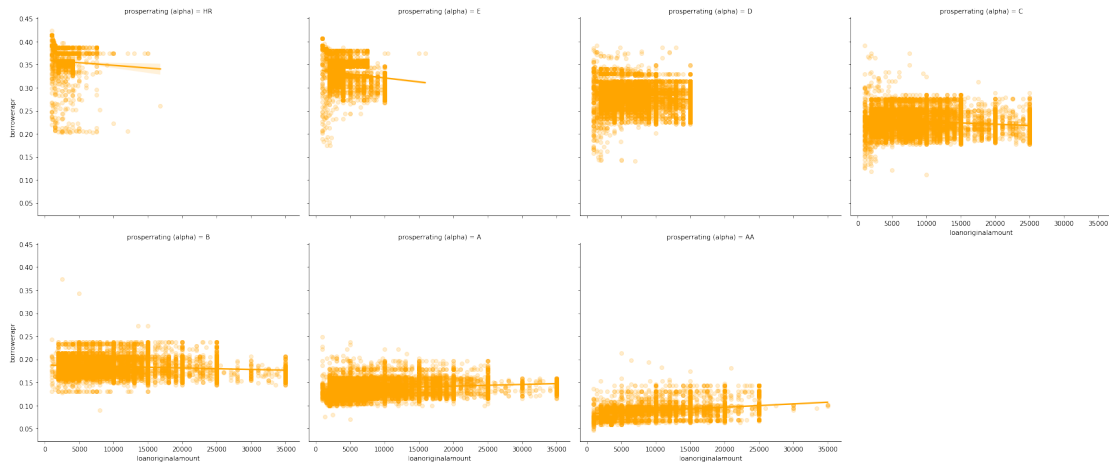
The main thing I want to explore in this part of the analysis is how the three categorical variables play into the relationship between borrower APR and Loan Amount.

```
[29]: # create faceted heat maps on term variable
g=sb.FacetGrid(data=loan_sub, aspect=1.2, height=5, col='term', col_wrap=4)
g.map(sb.regplot, 'loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr', x_jitter=0.02,
      ↳scatter_kws={'alpha':0.1}, color = 'blue')
g.add_legend();
```



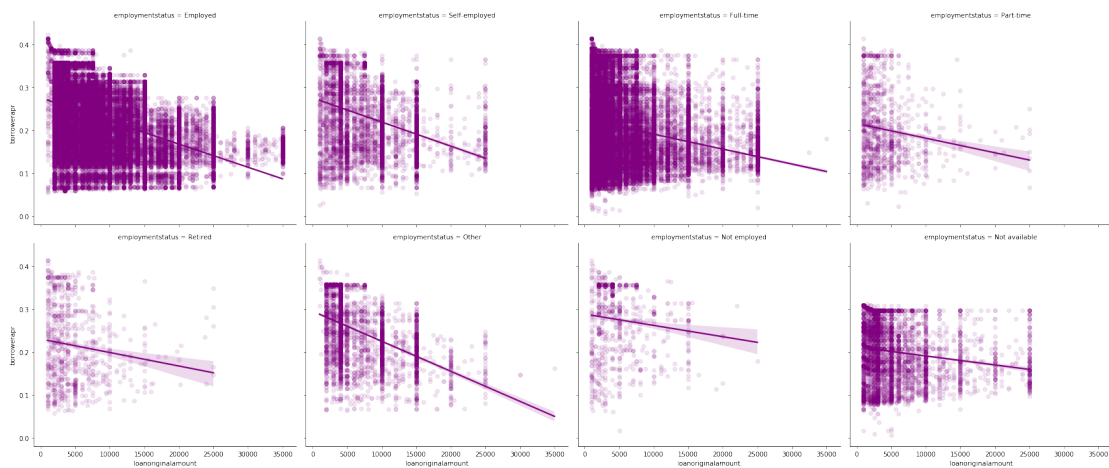
Term doesn't seem to have effect on relationship of APR and loan amount.

```
[30]: # create faceted heat maps on prosper rating (alpha) variable
g=sb.FacetGrid(data=loan_sub, aspect=1.2, height=5, col='prosperrating',
      ↳(alpha)', col_wrap=4)
g.map(sb.regplot, 'loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr', x_jitter=0.02,
      ↳scatter_kws={'alpha':0.2}, color='orange')
g.add_legend();
```



Prosper rating (alpha), which are HR-B has the negative correlation with loan original amount and borrower APR, it means borrowers who have the better prosper rating will have the lower borrower APR. However, we see that at the rating of A and AA, the borrower APR is a little big more with larger loan original amount. This may because people with A or AA ratings tend to borrow more money, increasing APR could prevent them borrow even more and maximize the profit. But people with lower ratings tend to borrow less money, decreasing APR could encourage them to borrow more.

```
[31]: # create faceted heat maps on employment status variable
g=sb.FacetGrid(data=loan_sub, aspect=1.2, height=5, col='employmentstatus',
               ↪col_wrap=4)
g.map(sb.regplot, 'loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr', x_jitter=0.02,
      ↪scatter_kws={'alpha':0.1}, color='purple')
g.add_legend();
```



We can see that borrowers are almost employed and full-time and if they borrow with the more

loan original amount, the borrower APR will be decreased.

## 0.8 Borrower APR by Prosper Rating and Term

```
[32]: plt.figure(figsize=[13,8])
      sb.stripplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'prosperrating (alpha)', y = 'borrowerapr',
      →hue = 'term',
      jitter = 0.35, dodge = True, palette = "Dark2")
      plt.xlabel('Prosper Rating (alpha)')
      plt.ylabel('Borrower APR')
      plt.title('Borrower APR by Prosper Rating and Term')
```

```
[32]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Borrower APR by Prosper Rating and Term')
```



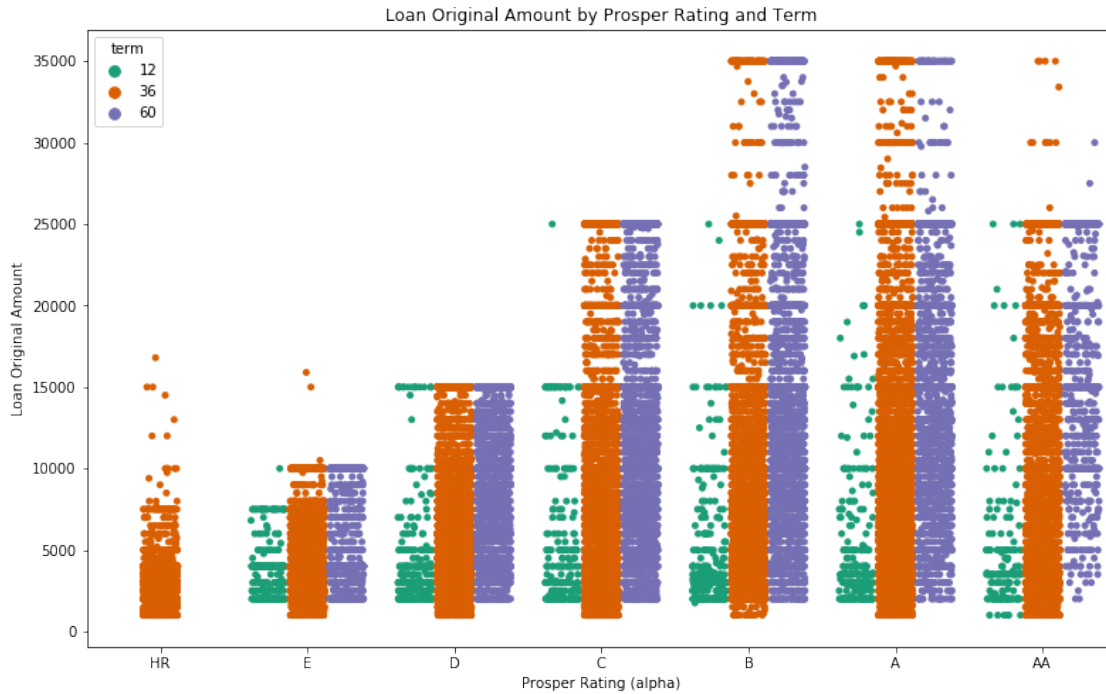
The borrower APR decrease with the increase of borrow term for people with prosper rating from HR - C. But for people with B - AA prosper ratings, the borrower APR increase with the increase of borrow term.

## 0.9 Loan Original Amount by Prosper Rating and Term

```
[33]: plt.figure(figsize=[13,8])
      sb.stripplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'prosperrating (alpha)', y =
      →'loanoriginalamount', hue = 'term',
      jitter = 0.35, dodge = True, palette = "Dark2")
      plt.xlabel('Prosper Rating (alpha)')
```

```
plt.ylabel('Loan Original Amount')
plt.title('Loan Original Amount by Prosper Rating and Term')
```

[33]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Loan Original Amount by Prosper Rating and Term')

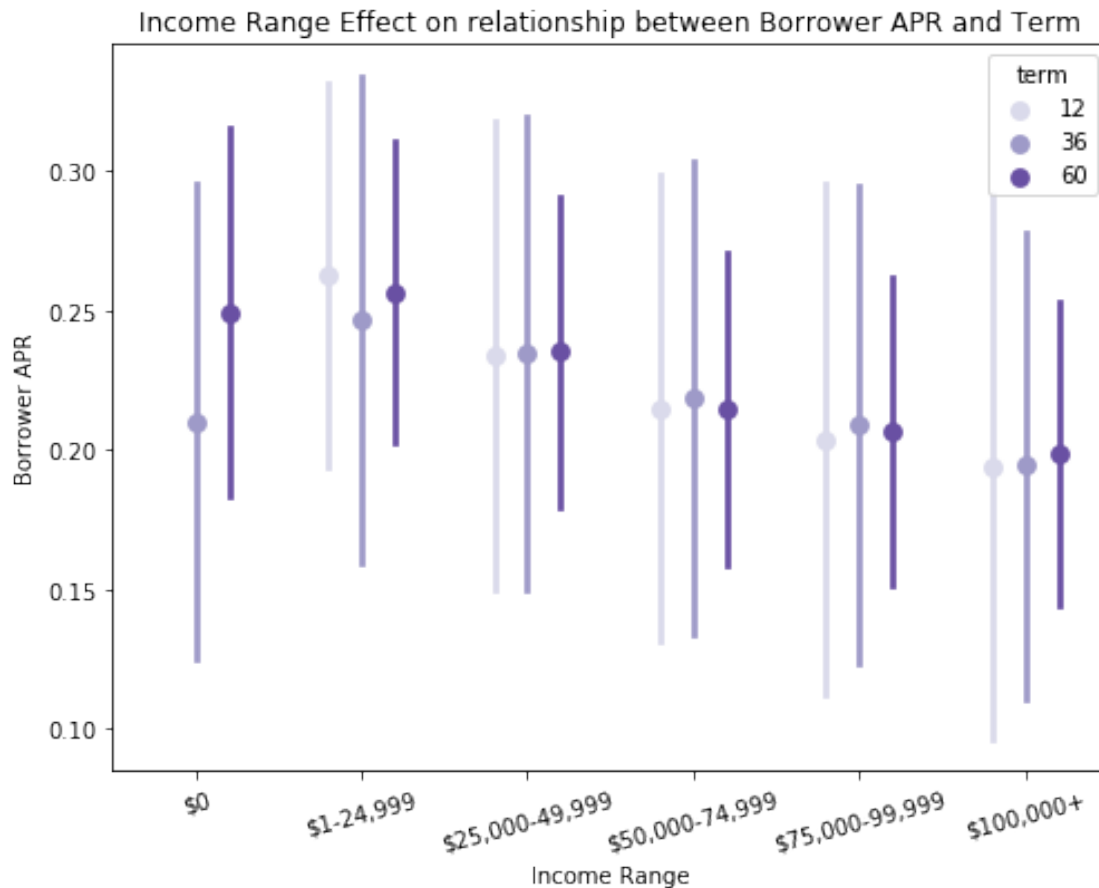


Borrowers are almost A-B prosper rating (alpha) with borrow term of 36 and 60 months, and if they have the better prosper rating, they'll be borrowed more.

## 0.10 Income Range Effect on relationship between Borrower APR and Term

```
[34]: fig = plt.figure(figsize = [8,6])
ax = sb.pointplot(data = loan_sub, x = 'incomerange', y = 'borrowerapr', hue = 'term',
                 palette = 'Purples', linestyle = '', dodge = 0.4, ci='sd')
plt.title('Income Range Effect on relationship between Borrower APR and Term')
plt.xlabel('Income Range')
plt.ylabel('Borrower APR')
ax.set_yticklabels([],minor = True)
plt.xticks(rotation = 15);
```

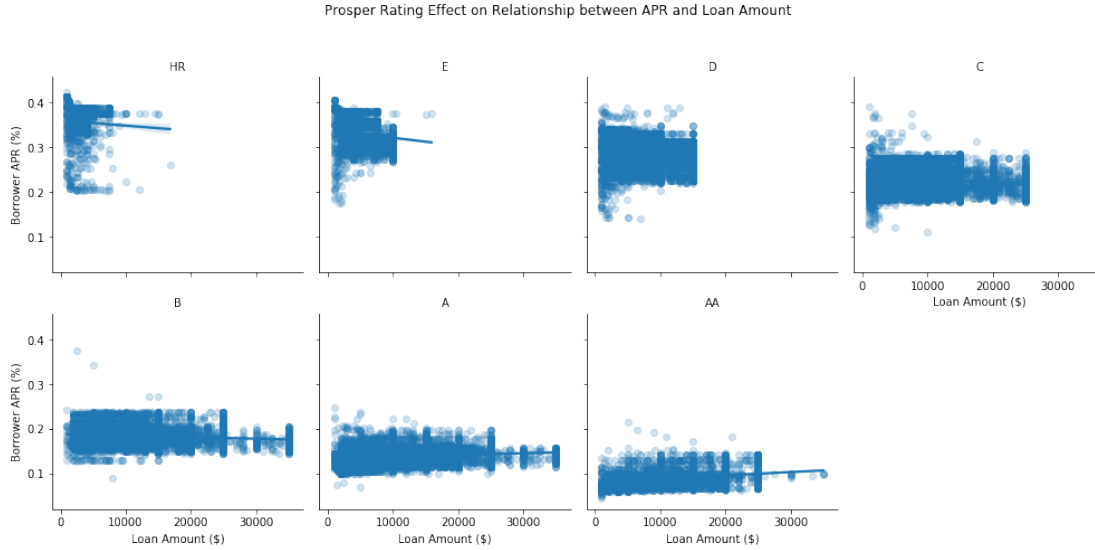




Overall, we see that the larger income range, the smaller borrower APR with the same term.

### 0.11 Prosper Rating Effect on Relationship between APR and Loan Amount

```
[35]: g=sb.FacetGrid(data=loan_sub,col='prosperrating (alpha)', height=3.5,
      ↪col_wrap=4)
g.map(sb.regplot, 'loanoriginalamount', 'borrowerapr', x_jitter=0.2,
      ↪scatter_kws={'alpha':0.2});
g.set_titles('{col_name}')
g.add_legend();
g.set_xlabels('Loan Amount ($)')
g.set_ylabels('Borrower APR (%)')
plt.suptitle('Prosper Rating Effect on Relationship between APR and Loan
      ↪Amount');
plt.subplots_adjust(top=0.85)
```



The loan amount increases with better rating. The borrower APR decreases with better rating. Interestingly, the relationship between borrower APR and loan amount turns from negative to slightly positive when the Prosper ratings are increased from HR to A or better. This is may because people with A or AA ratings tend to borrow more money, increasting APR could prevent them borrow even more and maximize the profit. But people with lower ratings tend to borrow less money, decreasing APR could encourage them to borrow more.

**0.12 Talk about some of the relationships you observed in this part of the investigation. How did the feature(s) of interest vary with other features in the dataset?**

In the exploration, I found that the borrower APR is:

- + negatively correlated with original loan amount: At different size of the loan amount, the APR
- + negatively correlated with prosper rating (alpha): The borrower APR also decreases with the
- + negatively correlated with borrow term: the borrower APR decrease with the increase of borrow

**0.13 Did you observe any interesting relationships between the other features (not the main feature(s) of interest)?**

We can see that borrowers are almost employed and full-time and if they borrow with the more loan original amount, the borrower APR will be decreased. Term doesn't seem to have effect on relationship of APR and loan amount. Borrowers with better rating also have larger stated monthly income and loan original amount. Employed, self-employed and full time borrowers have more stated monthly income and loan original amount than part-time, retired and not employed borrowers.