Classification goals

The task is a binary classification problem. The goal is to predict Bad clients (target=1) based on application information provided.

Metrics

We need to choose a metric that will show the rate of right predictions. Common metrics for Binary classification tasks are ROC AUC and Gini.

For the sake of the reducing losses (risk minimization), between two algorithms with close quality metrics the one that will have less False Negative rate will be chosen. This rate shows the number of Bad clients that were misclassified as Good and the greater False Negative rate can lead to future losses when loan is approved.

Target

Apply mapping: Good:0, Bad:1 Result: Column with [0,1] values

Missing values

Only one column 'job type' has missing values (for 234 clients).

To fill missing value new class was added (value=0)

Binary categorical variables

Apply mapping with respect to correlation with Target

Result: Column with [0,1] values

Categorical variables (more than 2 values)

One Hot Encoding was applied to deal with Categorical variables with more than 2 classes. Less frequent classes were dropped.

Ways to study feature influence and importance

- 1. Comparing means grouped by target
 - Comparing means of the columns grouped by target shows that some features have quite close mean values for "good" and "bad" clients and that is why they may not have strong predictive power. Among such feature are: "foreign", "telephon", "dependents", "resident".
- 2. Categorical-categorical association
 - Statistics Chi squared, Cramers V, Crosstabs, confusion matrix
- 3. Visualization

Plots for every column grouped by target:

- Stacked Bar Plot (category-target)
- Histogram
- BoxPlot

Numerical variables

There are 4 numerical variables out of 22 variables: 'age', 'loan duration (m), 'gross payments' and 'principal payments'.

'Gross payments' and 'Principal payments'

'Gross payments' and 'principal payments' have strong positive correlation (0.998) and we can drop one of this columns. As 'principal payments' has a slightly higher correlation with target we will keep this column.

There can be identified that among the clients with a large 'principal payments' there is a large percentage of "bad" target.

'Age'

The distribution of the age is skewed to the left, most of the clients are of the age between 22 and 42. There are 6 clients with the age over 70, only one of them is treated as a "bad" client. Younger people tend to have higher ration of "bad" classification.

'loan duration (m)'

The longer the credit the higher the chances to qualify client as "Bad" one.

All 4 are skewed to the right, log-transformation was applied.

Categorical variables

'History (number of loans)' demonstrates negative "correlation" with target.

For clients with 0 and 1 loans the percentage of "Bad" as clients with more loans know that it is worth to be a 'responsible' client to be able to get another loan.

New Features

- 1. Binarisation. Find values that separate classes.
- 2. Combining classes to increase the number of clients in less frequent

Model

Logistic Regression from the "sklearn" library.

Validation

To train training and validate models was applied the following procedure:

- 1. Dataset was splitted into 2 parts (Train/Test ratio=0.3) with stratification to the Target class
- 2. As minor class "BAD" share is 30% in the dataset the oversampling was applied to the Trainset to balance classes. To balance classes function SMOTE from imblearn.over_sampling library was applied.
- 3. For the Oversampled Trainset KFold was split into folds (N=6).
- 4. N models were trained on N-1 fold.

Validation: Predict on a left-off folds and calculate quality metrics. Mean of quality metrics was calculated.

Validation (out of sample): Predict on Testset. Quality metrics calculated. Predictions for class and probability was stored

- 5. Aggregated prediction:
 - a. Prediction of class majority rule (mean>=0.5)
 - b. Prediction of probability mean function.

In a nutshell, the quality of the solution is measured on 2 kinds of sets:

- 1. Left-off folds (balanced data- Valid1)
- 2. Testset (unbalanced data, 30% of the original dataset Valid2)

Feature selection

Iterative procedure was applied to eliminate features. On each iteration, the feature that resulted in the largest increase of the quality if not applied was eliminated.

Quality was calculated as minimum from Score_1 and Score_2:

Score_1 = Mean of the Metric score on Left-off folds

Results

Train/test split=0.7/0.3 Shape_0: 83 (all in)

Shape: 71 (after feature selection) Folds 6 Seed 101 Selection: 1

Feature selection based on Gini score.

Validation scores on left-off folds (196 clients)

Validation scores on Testset (300 clients)

Aggregated prediction on Test_set (300 clients)

Confusion matrix

		0	1
	0	163	47
Ī	1	23	67

Class 1 (BAD): 114 Class 0 (Good): 186

Misclassified BAD: 23 (7.667%) !!! Misclassified GOOD: 47 (15.667%)

Accuracy 76.67%

GINI: 0.6386 Roc AUC 0.8193 FN 23 FP 47

Features

Numerical and "ordinal"

- 1. checking
- 2. purpose of loan
- 3. savings
- 4. installp
- 5. marital
- 6. co-applicant status
- 7. resident
- 8. property
- 9. other

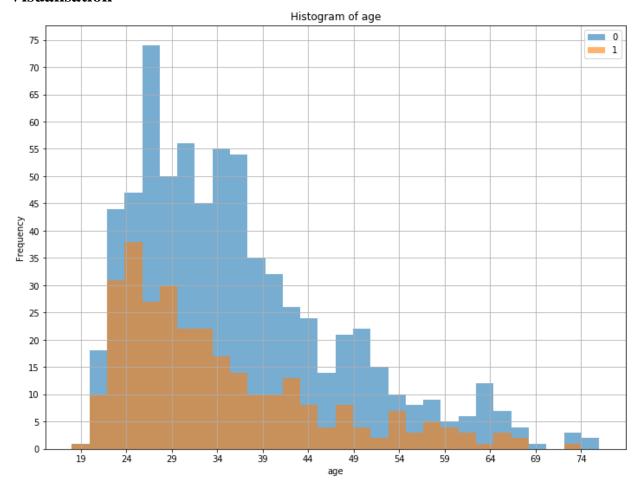
- 10. dependents
- 11. telephon
- 12. foreign
- 13. job type_m
- 14. other_bin
- 15. job_bin
- 16. housing_bin
- 17. job type_mod
- 18. marital_mod
- 19. age_1
- 20. history (number of loans)
- 21. principal payments_1
- 22. loan duration (m) 1
- 23. checking_bin
- 24. marital_bin
- 25. history (number of loans)_mod
- 26. savings_bin
- 27. principal payments_bin
- 28. loan duration (m)_bin
- 29. property bin

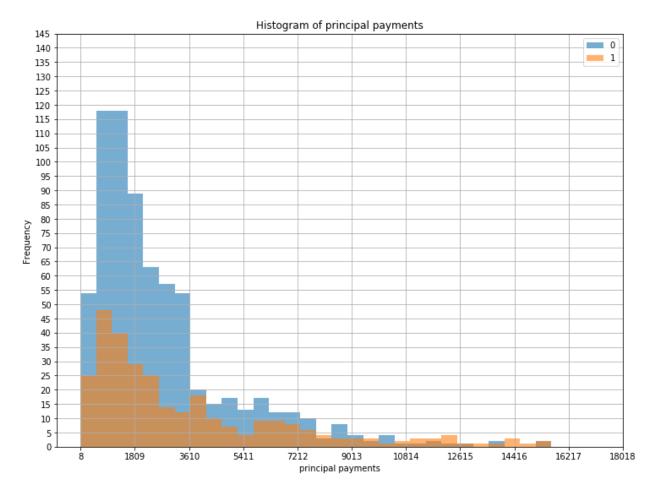
Categorical after One Hot Encoding

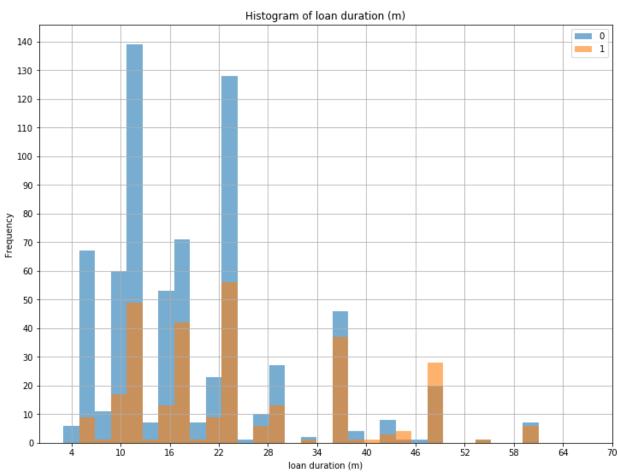
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- 7. OHE_purpose of loan_2
- 8. OHE_purpose of loan_1
- 9. OHE_purpose of loan_9
- 10. OHE_purpose of loan_6
- 11. OHE_purpose of loan_5
- 12. OHE_savings_1
- 13. OHE savings 5
- 14. OHE_savings_2
- 15. OHE_savings_3
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- 18. OHE_employed_2
- 19. OHE_installp_4
- 20. OHE_installp_2
- 21. OHE_marital_3
- 22. OHE_marital_2
- 23. OHE_marital_4
- 24. OHE_co-applicant status_1
- 25. OHE co-applicant status 3
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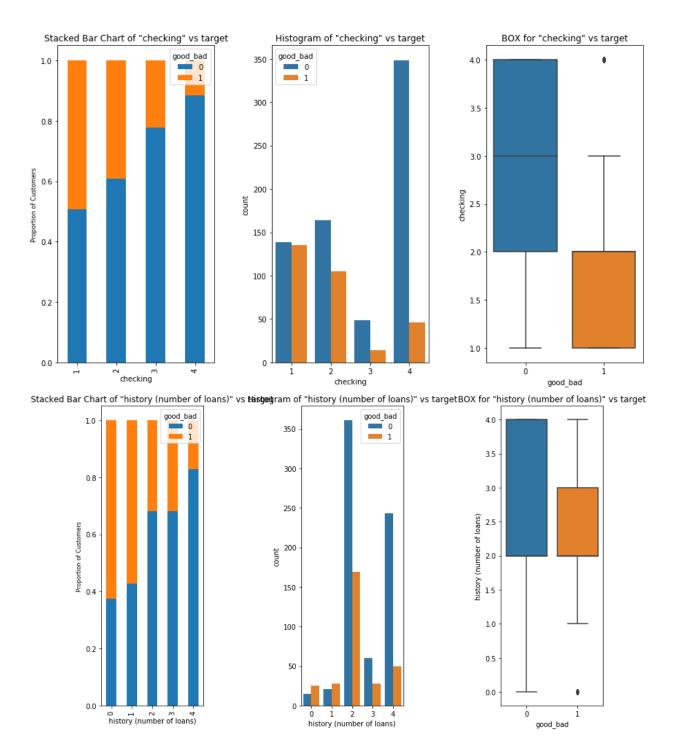
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- 32. OHE_other_3
- 33. OHE_other_1
- 34. OHE_housing_1
- 35. OHE_exist credit bureau data_1
- 36. OHE_exist credit bureau data_2
- 37. OHE_exist credit bureau data_3
- 38. OHE_job_3
- 39. OHE_job_2
- 40. OHE_job_4
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- 42. OHE_job type_4.0

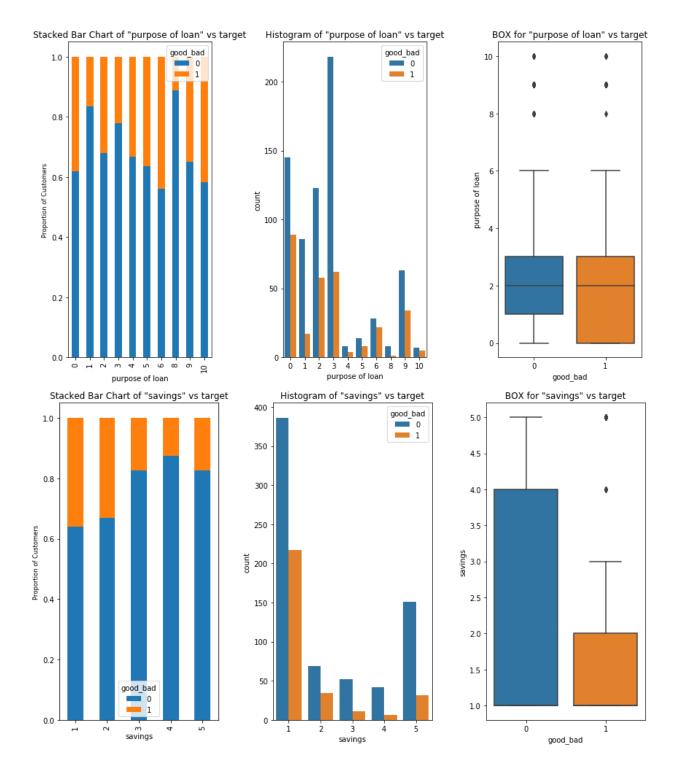
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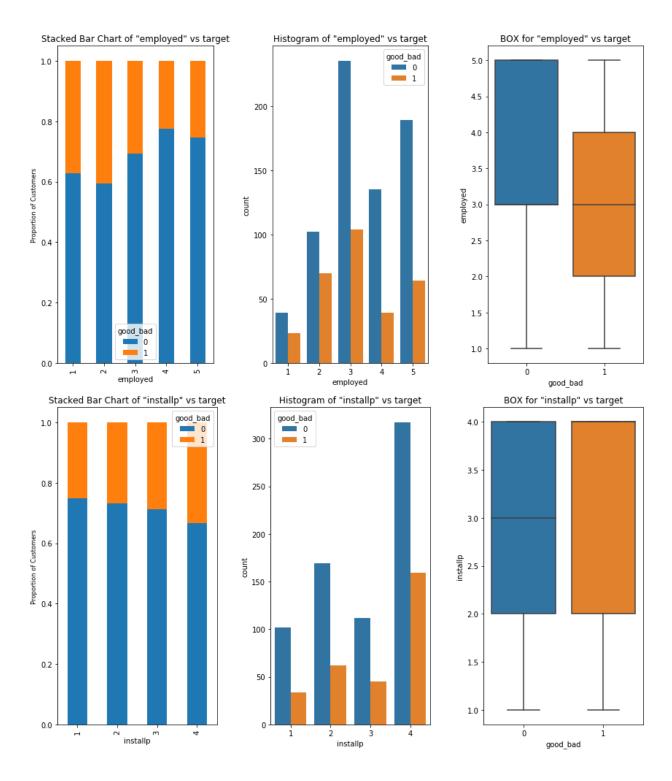


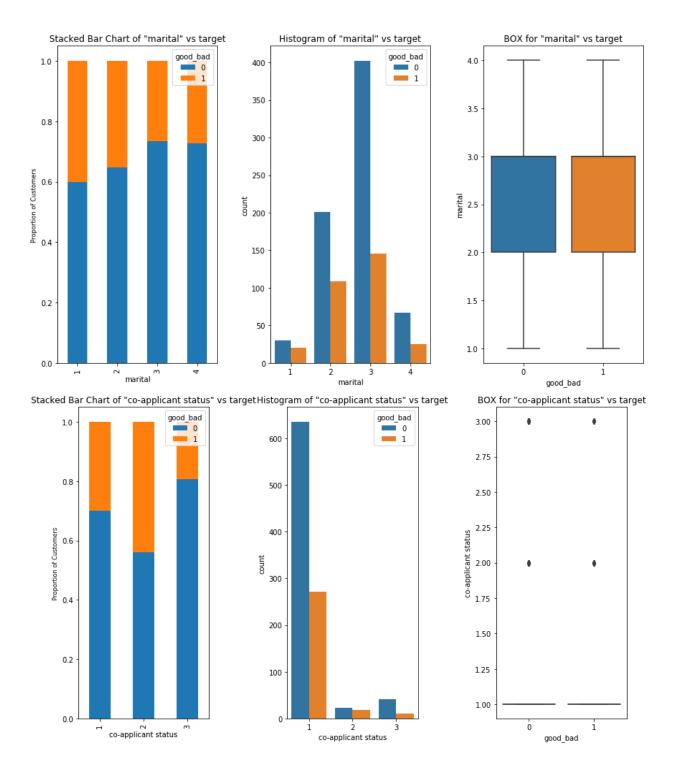


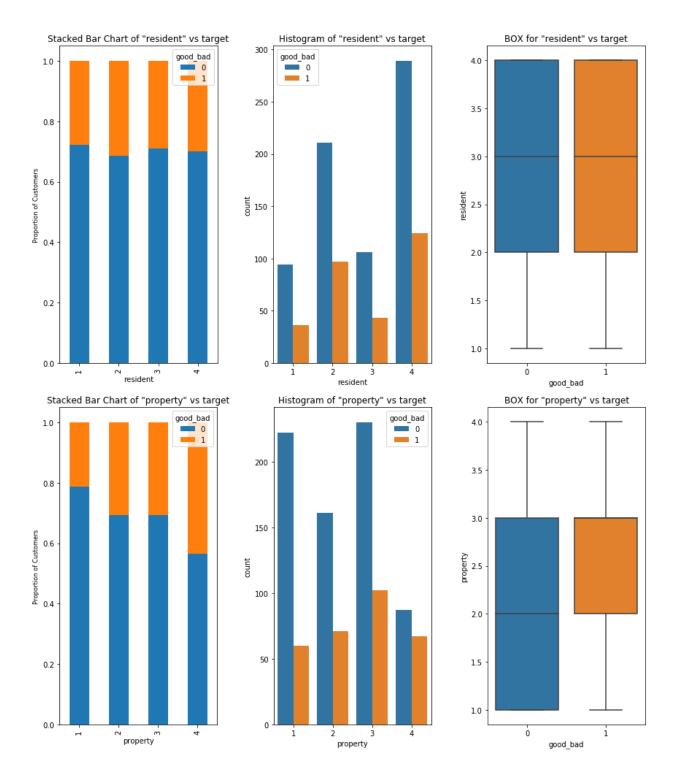


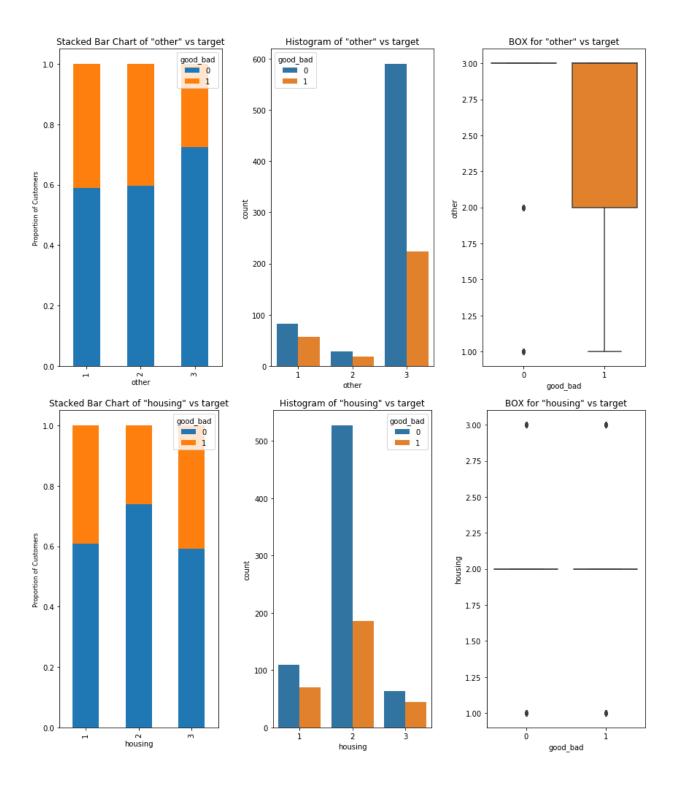












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