ZP_LC_pt3

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1 Kaggle Lending Club Loan Data

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1.1 Part 1

1.1.1 Import Python packages

```
In [243]: from __future__ import print_function
          import datetime
          import itertools
          import re
          import numpy as np
          import pandas as pd
          import sqlite3
          import scipy
          import sklearn
          from sklearn import preprocessing as pp
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score
          from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
          from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, roc_auc_score, confusion_matrix
          from sklearn.feature_selection import RFE
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          import seaborn as sns
          from plotly.offline import download_plotlyjs, init_notebook_mode, plot, iplot
          import plotly.graph_objs as go
          # Ignore pandas warnings when writing slice back to orig df
          pd.options.mode.chained_assignment = None # default='warn'
          # Display all columns when viewing pandas df
          pd.set_option('display.max_columns', None)
          # Set plotly offline notebook mode
          init_notebook_mode(connected=True)
```

A few user-defined functions to help later with model assessment

```
In [253]: def plot_confusion_matrix(cm, classes,
                                     normalize=False,
                                     title='Confusion matrix',
                                     cmap=plt.cm.Blues):
              11 11 11
              This function prints and plots the confusion matrix.
              Normalization can be applied by setting `normalize=True`.
              11 11 11
              if normalize:
                  cm = cm.astype('float') / cm.sum(axis=1)[:, np.newaxis]
                  print("Normalized confusion matrix")
              else:
                  print('Confusion matrix, without normalization')
              print(cm)
              plt.imshow(cm, interpolation='nearest', cmap=cmap)
              plt.title(title)
              plt.colorbar()
              tick_marks = np.arange(len(classes))
              plt.xticks(tick_marks, classes, rotation=45)
              plt.yticks(tick_marks, classes)
              fmt = '.2f' if normalize else 'd'
              thresh = cm.max() / 2.
              for i, j in itertools.product(range(cm.shape[0]), range(cm.shape[1])):
                  plt.text(j, i, format(cm[i, j], fmt),
                           horizontalalignment="center",
                           color="white" if cm[i, j] > thresh else "black")
              plt.tight_layout()
              plt.ylabel('True label')
              plt.xlabel('Predicted label')
          def confusion_metrics(cm):
              11 11 11
              Metrics on confusion matrix for binary classification where
              cm is 2D np.array of form [[TP, FN], [FP, TN]]
              n n n
              cm = cm.astype(float)
              print('Accuracy = ' + str((cm[0][0] + cm[1][1]) / cm.sum()))
              print('Misclassification Rate = ' + str((cm[0][1] + cm[1][0]) / cm.sum()))
              print('TP Rate = ' + str(cm[1][1] / cm.sum(axis=1)[1]))
              print('FP Rate = ' + str(cm[1][0] / cm.sum(axis=1)[1]))
              print('TN Rate = ' + str(cm[0][0] / cm.sum(axis=1)[0]))
              print('FN Rate = ' + str(cm[0][1] / cm.sum(axis=1)[0]))
```

```
print('Specifity = ' + str(cm[1][1] / cm.sum(axis=1)[1]))
print('Precision = ' + str(cm[0][0] / cm.sum(axis=0)[0]))
print('Prevalence = ' + str(cm.sum(axis=1)[0] / cm.sum()))
```

1.1.2 Pull data into environment

```
In [2]: df = pd.read_csv('lc_loan_data/loan.csv', low_memory=False)
In [3]: df.head(2)
Out[3]:
                   member_id
                               loan_amnt
                                           funded_amnt
                                                        funded_amnt_inv
                                                                                term
           1077501
                      1296599
                                   5000.0
                                                5000.0
                                                                  4975.0
                                                                           36 months
        1
           1077430
                      1314167
                                   2500.0
                                                2500.0
                                                                  2500.0
                                                                           60 months
                     installment grade sub_grade emp_title emp_length home_ownership
        0
              10.65
                          162.87
                                      В
                                               B2
                                                        NaN
                                                             10+ years
                                                                                  RENT
                                      C
        1
              15.27
                           59.83
                                               C4
                                                      Ryder
                                                              < 1 year
                                                                                  RENT
           annual_inc verification_status
                                             issue_d loan_status pymnt_plan \
        0
              24000.0
                                  Verified Dec-2011
                                                       Fully Paid
        1
              30000.0
                          Source Verified Dec-2011 Charged Off
                                                                            n
                                                          url \
        0 https://www.lendingclub.com/browse/loanDetail...
        1 https://www.lendingclub.com/browse/loanDetail...
                                                         desc
                                                                    purpose
                                                                                title \
        0
             Borrower added on 12/22/11 > I need to upgra... credit_card
                                                                             Computer
        1
             Borrower added on 12/22/11 > I plan to use t...
                                                                                 bike
                                       delinq_2yrs earliest_cr_line
                                                                     inq_last_6mths
          zip_code addr_state
                                 dti
        0
             860xx
                                27.65
                                               0.0
                                                           Jan-1985
                                                                                 1.0
             309xx
                                               0.0
                                                                                 5.0
                           GA
                                 1.00
                                                           Apr-1999
           mths_since_last_deling mths_since_last_record open_acc
                                                                      pub_rec
        0
                                                                           0.0
                              NaN
                                                       NaN
                                                                  3.0
        1
                              NaN
                                                                  3.0
                                                                           0.0
                                                       NaN
           revol_bal
                      revol_util
                                  total_acc initial_list_status
                                                                   out_prncp
        0
             13648.0
                            83.7
                                         9.0
                                                                         0.0
              1687.0
                             9.4
                                         4.0
                                                               f
                                                                         0.0
        1
           out_prncp_inv total_pymnt total_pymnt_inv total_rec_prncp
        0
                          5861.071414
                                                5831.78
                                                                  5000.00
                     0.0
        1
                     0.0
                         1008.710000
                                                1008.71
                                                                   456.46
           total_rec_int total_rec_late_fee recoveries collection_recovery_fee
        0
                  861.07
                                          0.0
                                                     0.00
                                                                               0.00
```

```
1
                  435.17
                                          0.0
                                                    117.08
                                                                                1.11
          last_pymnt_d last_pymnt_amnt next_pymnt_d last_credit_pull_d \
        0
              Jan-2015
                                  171.62
                                                   NaN
                                                                  Jan-2016
        1
              Apr-2013
                                                                  Sep-2013
                                  119.66
                                                   NaN
           collections_12_mths_ex_med mths_since_last_major_derog policy_code \
        0
                                   0.0
                                                                  NaN
                                                                               1.0
        1
                                   0.0
                                                                  NaN
                                                                               1.0
          application_type annual_inc_joint dti_joint verification_status_joint \
        0
                INDIVIDUAL
                                           NaN
                                                      NaN
                                                                                 NaN
        1
                INDIVIDUAL
                                           NaN
                                                      NaN
                                                                                 NaN
           acc_now_delinq tot_coll_amt
                                          tot_cur_bal
                                                        open_acc_6m open_il_6m
        0
                       0.0
                                                   NaN
                                                                 NaN
                                     NaN
        1
                       0.0
                                     NaN
                                                   NaN
                                                                NaN
                                                                             NaN
           open_il_12m open_il_24m mths_since_rcnt_il total_bal_il
        0
                   NaN
                                 NaN
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        1
                   NaN
                                 NaN
                                                      NaN
                                                                     NaN
                                                                              NaN
           open_rv_12m
                        open_rv_24m
                                      max_bal_bc
                                                  all_util
                                                             total_rev_hi_lim
                                                                                inq_fi
        0
                                 NaN
                                              NaN
                                                                           NaN
                                                                                   NaN
                   NaN
                                                        NaN
        1
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                                 NaN
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                                                                           NaN
                                                                                   NaN
           total_cu_tl
                        inq_last_12m
        0
                   NaN
                                  NaN
        1
                   NaN
                                  NaN
   Let's check the dataframe dimensions.
In [4]: def df_shape(data):
            print('Number of columns: ' + str(data.shape[1]))
            print('Number of rows: ' + str(data.shape[0]))
In [5]: df_shape(df)
Number of columns: 74
Number of rows: 887379
In [6]: df.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
```

887379 non-null int64 887379 non-null int64

RangeIndex: 887379 entries, 0 to 887378

Data columns (total 74 columns):

id

member_id

loan_amnt	887379	${\tt non-null}$	${\tt float64}$
funded_amnt	887379	${\tt non-null}$	${\tt float64}$
funded_amnt_inv	887379	${\tt non-null}$	${\tt float64}$
term	887379	${\tt non-null}$	object
int_rate	887379	${\tt non-null}$	${\tt float64}$
installment	887379	non-null	${\tt float64}$
grade	887379	non-null	object
sub_grade	887379	non-null	object
emp_title	835922	non-null	object
emp_length	887379	non-null	object
home_ownership	887379	non-null	object
annual_inc	887375	non-null	float64
verification_status	887379	non-null	object
issue_d	887379	non-null	object
loan_status	887379	non-null	object
pymnt_plan	887379	non-null	object
url	887379	non-null	object
desc	126029	non-null	object
purpose	887379	non-null	object
title	887228	non-null	object
zip_code	887379	non-null	object
addr_state	887379	non-null	object
dti	887379	non-null	float64
delinq_2yrs	887350	non-null	float64
earliest_cr_line	887350	non-null	object
inq_last_6mths	887350	non-null	float64
mths_since_last_delinq	433067	non-null	float64
mths_since_last_record	137053	non-null	float64
open_acc	887350	non-null	float64
pub_rec	887350	non-null	float64
revol_bal	887379	non-null	float64
revol_util	886877	non-null	float64
total_acc	887350	non-null	float64
initial_list_status	887379	non-null	object
out_prncp	887379	non-null	float64
out_prncp_inv	887379	non-null	float64
total_pymnt	887379	non-null	float64
total_pymnt_inv	887379	non-null	float64
total_rec_prncp	887379	non-null	float64
total_rec_int	887379	non-null	float64
total_rec_late_fee	887379	non-null	float64
recoveries	887379	non-null	float64
collection_recovery_fee	887379	non-null	float64
last_pymnt_d	869720	non-null	object
last_pymnt_amnt		non-null	•
next_pymnt_d	634408	non-null	object
last_credit_pull_d		non-null	•
collections_12_mths_ex_med		non-null	-

```
mths_since_last_major_derog
                                221703 non-null float64
policy_code
                                887379 non-null float64
                                887379 non-null object
application_type
annual_inc_joint
                                511 non-null float64
dti_joint
                                509 non-null float64
                                511 non-null object
verification_status_joint
acc_now_deling
                                887350 non-null float64
tot_coll_amt
                                817103 non-null float64
                                817103 non-null float64
tot_cur_bal
open_acc_6m
                                21372 non-null float64
                                21372 non-null float64
open_il_6m
                                21372 non-null float64
open_il_12m
                                21372 non-null float64
open_il_24m
mths_since_rcnt_il
                                20810 non-null float64
total_bal_il
                                21372 non-null float64
                                18617 non-null float64
il_util
                                21372 non-null float64
open_rv_12m
                                21372 non-null float64
open_rv_24m
                                21372 non-null float64
max_bal_bc
                                21372 non-null float64
all_util
                                817103 non-null float64
total_rev_hi_lim
                                21372 non-null float64
inq_fi
total_cu_tl
                                21372 non-null float64
                                21372 non-null float64
inq_last_12m
dtypes: float64(49), int64(2), object(23)
memory usage: 501.0+ MB
```

Looking at the initial information on the data shows that there are a lot of missing values. The rightmost part of the dataframe looks to be pretty sparse with a lot of fields having only 21,372 non-null values.

1.1.3 Subset columns for EDA

```
In [7]: fields = ['loan_amnt', 'funded_amnt', 'term', 'int_rate', 'grade', 'annual_inc',
                  'issue_d', 'dti', 'revol_bal', 'total_pymnt', 'loan_status']
        df_eda = df[fields]
In [8]: df_eda.head()
Out[8]:
           loan_amnt
                      funded_amnt
                                          term
                                                int_rate grade
                                                                 annual_inc
                                                                              issue_d \
              5000.0
        0
                           5000.0
                                     36 months
                                                   10.65
                                                             В
                                                                    24000.0 Dec-2011
        1
                                                   15.27
                                                              С
              2500.0
                           2500.0
                                     60 months
                                                                    30000.0 Dec-2011
        2
              2400.0
                                     36 months
                                                   15.96
                                                              С
                                                                             Dec-2011
                           2400.0
                                                                    12252.0
        3
             10000.0
                          10000.0
                                     36 months
                                                   13.49
                                                              C
                                                                    49200.0 Dec-2011
              3000.0
                           3000.0
                                     60 months
                                                   12.69
                                                             В
                                                                    80000.0 Dec-2011
             dti revol_bal
                               total_pymnt
                                            loan_status
        0 27.65
                    13648.0
                              5861.071414
                                             Fully Paid
```

```
1 1.00 1687.0 1008.710000 Charged Off
2 8.72 2956.0 3003.653644 Fully Paid
3 20.00 5598.0 12226.302212 Fully Paid
4 17.94 27783.0 3242.170000 Current
```

In [9]: df_shape(df_eda)

Number of columns: 11 Number of rows: 887379

1.1.4 Grab summary statistics for the new dataset

```
In [10]: df_eda.describe()
```

Out[10]:		loan_amnt	funded_amnt	int_rate	annual_inc	\
	count	887379.000000	887379.000000	887379.000000	8.873750e+05	
	mean	14755.264605	14741.877625	13.246740	7.502759e+04	
	std	8435.455601	8429.897657	4.381867	6.469830e+04	
	min	500.000000	500.000000	5.320000	0.000000e+00	
	25%	8000.000000	8000.000000	9.990000	4.500000e+04	
	50%	13000.000000	13000.000000	12.990000	6.500000e+04	
	75%	20000.000000	20000.000000	16.200000	9.000000e+04	
	max	35000.000000	35000.000000	28.990000	9.500000e+06	
		dti	revol_bal	total_pymnt		
	count	887379.000000	8.873790e+05	887379.000000		
	mean	18.157039	1.692079e+04	7558.826684		
	std	17.190626	2.242679e+04	7871.243336		
	min	0.000000	0.000000e+00	0.000000		
	25%	11.910000	6.443000e+03	1914.590000		
	50%	17.650000	1.187500e+04	4894.999117		
	75%	23.950000	2.082900e+04	10616.814231		
	max	9999.000000	2.904836e+06	57777.579870		

For all numerical variables, the mean is greater than the median indicating a positive skew.

1.1.5 Missing data

loan_amnt	${\tt False}$
funded_amnt	${\tt False}$
term	${\tt False}$
int_rate	${\tt False}$
grade	${\tt False}$
annual_inc	True
issue_d	${\tt False}$
dti	${\tt False}$
revol_bal	${\tt False}$
total_pymnt	${\tt False}$
loan_status	${\tt False}$
dtype: bool	

How many null values does each column have?

```
annual_inc
               4
loan_status
               0
total_pymnt
               0
revol_bal
               0
dti
issue_d
grade
int_rate
term
               0
funded_amnt
               0
loan_amnt
               0
dtype: int64
```

There are only 4 missing values in the dataset. Let's take a look at them.

In [12]: df_eda[df_eda['annual_inc'].isnull()]

Out[12]:		loan_amnt	fun	ded_amnt	term	int_rate	grade	annual_inc	\
	42449	5000.0		5000.0	36 months	7.43	A	NaN	
	42450	7000.0		7000.0	36 months	7.75	Α	NaN	
	42480	6700.0		6700.0	36 months	7.75	Α	NaN	
	42533	6500.0		6500.0	36 months	8.38	Α	NaN	
		issue_d	dti	revol_bal	total_pym	nt \			
	42449	Aug-2007	1.0	0.0	5593.	46			
	42450	Aug-2007	1.0	0.0	7867.	53			
	42480	Jul-2007	1.0	0.0	7530.	42			
	42533	Jun-2007	4.0	0.0	7373.	83			

loan_status

42449 Does not meet the credit policy. Status:Fully ...

```
42450 Does not meet the credit policy. Status:Fully ... 42480 Does not meet the credit policy. Status:Fully ... 42533 Does not meet the credit policy. Status:Fully ...
```

All 4 rows with a missing value for **annual_inc** is a loan that does not meet the credit policy with notes that it was fully paid. Looking at the **total_pymnt** field, I would assume that these are old loans which have been paid, however, they no longer meet the current credit policy. As you need to provide your annual income to get a loan, I do not think that these are records where the borrower did not provide information. I think it is safe to remove these records from the dataset rather than perform imputation.

Number of columns: 11 Number of rows: 887375

1.1.6 Distribution of categorical variables

We will take a look at the value counts for **grade**, **term**, and **loan_status**. While **issue_d** is currently strictly categorical due to the formatting. It makes sense to look at the distribution at the moment but I assume it will be dispersed across all months from 2007-2015. It is worth noting that it makes sense to transform **term** into a numerical variable by removing the 'months' suffix resulting in values of 36 or 60. It will clearly still only have 2 levels.

Grade (grade)

```
In [15]: print('Grade Counts')
         pd.value_counts(df_eda['grade']).to_frame().reset_index()
Grade Counts
Out [15]:
           index
                   grade
         0
               B 254535
         1
               C 245860
         2
               A 148198
         3
               D 139542
         4
               F.
                   70705
         5
               F
                   23046
         6
               G
                     5489
```

```
In [16]: print('Grade Bucket Counts and Percentages\n\n')
         print('Number of mid-grade loans (B/C/D): ' + str(df_eda[df_eda['grade'].isin(['B', 'C'
         print('Percentage of total loans: {:.2f}%'.format(100*df_eda[df_eda['grade'].isin(['B',
         print('\n')
         print('Number of high-grade loans (A): ' + str(df_eda[df_eda['grade'] == 'A']['grade'].
         print('Percentage of total loans: {:.2f}%'.format(100*df_eda[df_eda['grade'] == 'A']['g
         print('\n')
         print('Number of low-grade loans (E/F/G): ' + str(df_eda[df_eda['grade'].isin(['E', 'F'
         print('Percentage of total loans: {:.2f}%'.format(100*df_eda[df_eda['grade'].isin(['E',
Grade Bucket Counts and Percentages
Number of mid-grade loans (B/C/D): 639937
Percentage of total loans: 72.12%
Number of high-grade loans (A): 148198
Percentage of total loans: 16.70%
Number of low-grade loans (E/F/G): 99240
Percentage of total loans: 11.18%
   A majority of loans are mid-grade (B/C/D), followed by high-grade (A) loans with risky, low-
grade (E/F/G) loans making up the tail. This distribution makes sense as I would not expect a
majority of loans to be high-grade and at the same time Lending Club does not want a lot of risky
loans.
Term (term)
In [17]: print('Term Counts')
         pd.value_counts(df_eda['term']).to_frame().reset_index()
Term Counts
```

```
Out[17]: index term

0 36 months 621121
1 60 months 266254

In [18]: print('Term Percentages')
pd.value_counts(df_eda['term'], normalize=True).to_frame().reset_index()

Term Percentages
```

```
Out[18]: index term
0 36 months 0.699953
1 60 months 0.300047
```

The loans in the dataset only have 36-month and 60-month terms as noted in the data dictionary. 70% of the loans have 36-month terms while the remaining 30% have 60-month terms. This is a clear indication that a majority of the loans through Lending Club are shorter-term loans.

Loan status (loan_status)

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```
In [19]: print('Loan Status Counts')
         pd.value_counts(df_eda['loan_status']).to_frame().reset_index()
Loan Status Counts
Out [19]:
                                                           index
                                                                 loan_status
         0
                                                        Current
                                                                       601779
         1
                                                     Fully Paid
                                                                       207723
         2
                                                    Charged Off
                                                                        45248
                                             Late (31-120 days)
         3
                                                                        11591
         4
                                                         Issued
                                                                         8460
         5
                                                In Grace Period
                                                                         6253
                                              Late (16-30 days)
         6
                                                                         2357
         7
            Does not meet the credit policy. Status: Fully ...
                                                                         1984
         8
                                                                         1219
            Does not meet the credit policy. Status: Charge...
                                                                          761
In [20]: print('Loan Status Percentages')
         pd.value_counts(df_eda['loan_status'], normalize=True).to_frame().reset_index()
Loan Status Percentages
Out [20]:
                                                           index
                                                                 loan_status
         0
                                                        Current
                                                                     0.678156
                                                     Fully Paid
         1
                                                                     0.234087
         2
                                                    Charged Off
                                                                     0.050991
         3
                                             Late (31-120 days)
                                                                     0.013062
```

A majority of the loans are current (67.8%) with the second largest group being those that have been fully paid (23.4%). There are a fair amount of loans which have been charged off (5%) and an even smaller percentage which are late (\sim 1.5%). Loans that have defaulted constitute a very small

Does not meet the credit policy. Status: Fully ...

Does not meet the credit policy. Status: Charge...

Issued

Default

In Grace Period

Late (16-30 days)

0.009534

0.007047

0.002656

0.002236

0.001374

0.000858

portion of the dataset (0.1%) which is a good sign for Lending Club. There are still loans in the dataset with a loan status indicating that they do not meet the credit policy (2,745 or 0.3%). From a consistency standpoint, it would make sense to remove these loans as we did earlier with the loans that were missing data for **annual_inc**. ##### Let's remove the loans that do not meet the credit policy

2745 rows were dropped from the dataset. This is a 0.31% reduction of rows.

Issue Date (issue_d)

Issue Date counts

```
Out [26]:
                  index issue_d
         0
               Oct-2015
                            48631
         1
               Jul-2015
                            45962
         2
                            44342
               Dec-2015
         3
               Oct-2014
                            38782
         4
               Nov-2015
                            37530
         5
               Aug-2015
                            35886
         6
               Apr-2015
                            35427
         7
               Jan-2015
                            35107
              May-2015
         8
                            31913
         9
               Jul-2014
                            29306
         10
               Sep-2015
                            28641
         11
               Jun-2015
                            28485
         12
              Mar-2015
                            25400
         13
               Nov-2014
                            25054
         14
               Feb-2015
                            23770
         15
              May-2014
                            19099
         16
               Apr-2014
                            19071
         17
               Aug-2014
                            18814
               Jun-2014
         18
                            17179
         19
               Mar-2014
                            16513
         20
               Jan-2014
                            15628
         21
               Feb-2014
                            15269
         22
              Dec-2013
                            15020
         23
              Nov-2013
                            14676
         24
               Oct-2013
                            14114
         25
               Sep-2013
                            12987
```

```
27
               Jul-2013
                           11910
         28
               Jun-2013
                           10899
         29
              Sep-2014
                           10606
         . .
                    . . .
                              . . .
         73
               Jan-2010
                             589
         74
              Oct-2009
                             545
              Sep-2009
         75
                             449
         76
              Aug-2009
                             408
         77
               Jul-2009
                             374
         78
               Jun-2009
                             356
         79
              May-2009
                             319
         80
              Apr-2009
                              290
         81
              Mar-2009
                             276
         82
              Feb-2009
                              260
         83
              Jan-2009
                             239
         84
              Mar-2008
                             236
              Dec-2008
                             223
         85
         86
              Nov-2008
                             184
              Feb-2008
         87
                             174
               Jan-2008
         88
                             171
         89
              Apr-2008
                              155
              Oct-2008
                              96
         90
         91
              Dec-2007
                              85
         92
              Jul-2008
                              83
         93
              May-2008
                              71
         94
              Aug-2008
                              71
              Jun-2008
         95
                              66
              Oct-2007
                              47
         96
         97
              Nov-2007
                              37
              Aug-2007
                              33
         98
         99
              Sep-2008
                              32
         100
              Jul-2007
                              30
         101
              Sep-2007
                              18
         102
              Jun-2007
                               1
         [103 rows x 2 columns]
In [27]: print('Issue Date percentages')
         pd.value_counts(df_eda['issue_d'], normalize=True).to_frame().reset_index()
Issue Date percentages
Out [27]:
                  index
                          issue_d
         0
              Oct-2015 0.054973
         1
               Jul-2015 0.051956
         2
              Dec-2015 0.050125
```

Aug-2013

```
3
     Oct-2014 0.043840
4
     Nov-2015 0.042425
5
     Aug-2015 0.040566
6
     Apr-2015
               0.040047
7
     Jan-2015
               0.039686
8
     May-2015
               0.036075
9
     Jul-2014
               0.033128
     Sep-2015
10
               0.032376
11
     Jun-2015 0.032200
12
     Mar-2015 0.028713
13
     Nov-2014
               0.028321
14
     Feb-2015
               0.026870
15
     May-2014
               0.021590
     Apr-2014
16
               0.021558
17
     Aug-2014
               0.021268
18
     Jun-2014 0.019419
19
     Mar-2014 0.018667
20
     Jan-2014 0.017666
21
     Feb-2014 0.017260
22
     Dec-2013 0.016979
     Nov-2013 0.016590
23
24
     Oct-2013 0.015955
25
     Sep-2013 0.014681
26
     Aug-2013 0.014327
27
     Jul-2013 0.013463
28
     Jun-2013
               0.012320
29
     Sep-2014
               0.011989
. .
          . . .
                    . . .
73
     Jan-2010
               0.000666
74
     Oct-2009
               0.000616
75
     Sep-2009
               0.000508
76
     Aug-2009
               0.000461
77
     Jul-2009
               0.000423
78
     Jun-2009
               0.000402
79
     May-2009
               0.000361
     Apr-2009
               0.000328
80
81
     Mar-2009
               0.000312
82
     Feb-2009
               0.000294
83
     Jan-2009
               0.000270
     Mar-2008
84
               0.000267
85
     Dec-2008
               0.000252
86
     Nov-2008
               0.000208
87
     Feb-2008
               0.000197
88
     Jan-2008
               0.000193
89
     Apr-2008
               0.000175
90
     Oct-2008
               0.000109
91
     Dec-2007
               0.000096
92
     Jul-2008
               0.000094
```

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93
     May-2008
               0.000080
94
     Aug-2008
              0.000080
95
     Jun-2008 0.000075
96
     Oct-2007 0.000053
97
     Nov-2007 0.000042
98
     Aug-2007
              0.000037
99
     Sep-2008
              0.000036
100
     Jul-2007
               0.000034
    Sep-2007
101
               0.000020
     Jun-2007
102
               0.000001
[103 rows x 2 columns]
```

As suspected, the loans are distributed across all months from mid-2007 through the end of 2015. Interestingly, the latter years tend to contain a majority of the loans. I assume this is due to the financial crisis of 2007-08.

1.1.7 Transformations

Let's transform the non-numerical fields from df eda into numerical fields so that we may run some more in-depth analysis.

```
Remove the 'months' string from term (e.g. '36 months' to 36)
```

Encode **grade** to numerical (e.g. 'A' = 0, 'B' = 1, etc.)

Transform issue_d into date

Encode **loan_status** as numerical (e.g. 'Fully Paid' = 0, 'Charged Off' = 1, etc.)

```
In [28]: df_eda.head()
```

2

2400.0

```
Out [28]:
            loan_amnt
                        funded_amnt
                                                  int_rate grade
                                                                   annual_inc
                                                                                issue_d
                                            term
         0
               5000.0
                             5000.0
                                                     10.65
                                                                      24000.0 Dec-2011
                                      36 months
                                                               В
         1
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                             2500.0
                                      60 months
                                                     15.27
                                                               С
                                                                      30000.0 Dec-2011
         2
               2400.0
                             2400.0
                                      36 months
                                                     15.96
                                                               С
                                                                      12252.0
                                                                               Dec-2011
         3
                                                               C
              10000.0
                            10000.0
                                      36 months
                                                     13.49
                                                                      49200.0 Dec-2011
         4
               3000.0
                             3000.0
                                      60 months
                                                     12.69
                                                               В
                                                                      80000.0 Dec-2011
                   revol_bal
                                total_pymnt
                                             loan_status
              dti
            27.65
                      13648.0
                                5861.071414
                                               Fully Paid
         0
         1
             1.00
                                1008.710000 Charged Off
                       1687.0
         2
             8.72
                                               Fully Paid
                       2956.0
                                3003.653644
            20.00
                                               Fully Paid
         3
                       5598.0 12226.302212
            17.94
                      27783.0
                                3242.170000
                                                  Current
In [29]: df_num = df_eda.copy()
         df_num.head()
Out [29]:
            loan_amnt
                        funded_amnt
                                            term
                                                  int_rate grade
                                                                  annual_inc
                                                                                issue_d \
         0
               5000.0
                             5000.0
                                      36 months
                                                     10.65
                                                               В
                                                                      24000.0 Dec-2011
         1
               2500.0
                             2500.0
                                      60 months
                                                     15.27
                                                               С
                                                                      30000.0 Dec-2011
```

36 months

15.96

С

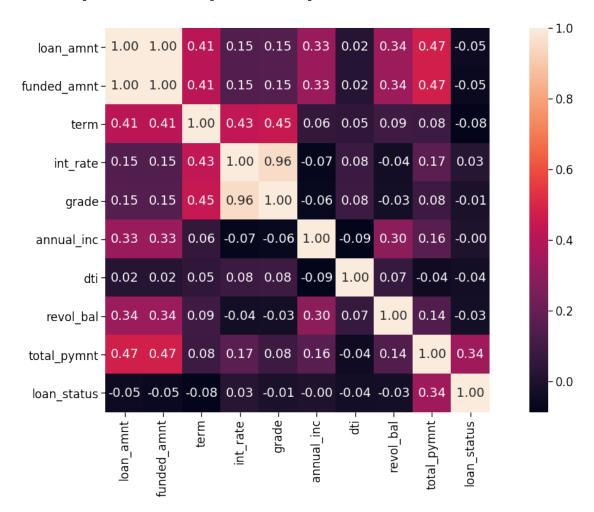
12252.0 Dec-2011

2400.0

```
3
              10000.0
                           10000.0
                                      36 months
                                                    13.49
                                                              C
                                                                    49200.0 Dec-2011
         4
               3000.0
                            3000.0
                                      60 months
                                                                    80000.0 Dec-2011
                                                    12.69
                                                              В
                                            loan_status
                   revol_bal
                               total_pymnt
              dti
                                              Fully Paid
         0
           27.65
                     13648.0
                               5861.071414
             1.00
                               1008.710000 Charged Off
         1
                      1687.0
             8.72
                      2956.0
                               3003.653644
                                              Fully Paid
         3 20.00
                      5598.0 12226.302212
                                              Fully Paid
         4 17.94
                     27783.0
                               3242.170000
                                                 Current
In [30]: # term
         df_num['term'] = df_num['term'].apply(lambda x: re.findall(r'\d+', x))
         df_num['term'] = df_num['term'].apply(lambda x: int(x[0]))
         # grade
         le = pp.LabelEncoder()
         le.fit(df_num['grade'])
         df_num['grade'] = le.transform(df_num['grade'])
         # issue_d
         df_num['issue_d'] = pd.to_datetime(df_num['issue_d'])
         # loan_status
         le = pp.LabelEncoder()
         le.fit(df_num['loan_status'])
         df_num['loan_status'] = le.transform(df_num['loan_status'])
In [31]: df_num.head()
Out[31]:
            loan_amnt
                       funded_amnt
                                    term
                                          int_rate grade annual_inc
                                                                          issue_d \
                                                               24000.0 2011-12-01
               5000.0
                            5000.0
                                       36
                                              10.65
                                                         1
         1
               2500.0
                            2500.0
                                              15.27
                                                         2
                                                               30000.0 2011-12-01
                                      60
         2
                                                         2
               2400.0
                            2400.0
                                      36
                                              15.96
                                                               12252.0 2011-12-01
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              10000.0
                           10000.0
                                              13.49
                                                         2
                                                               49200.0 2011-12-01
                                      36
         4
               3000.0
                            3000.0
                                      60
                                              12.69
                                                         1
                                                               80000.0 2011-12-01
                   revol_bal
                               total_pymnt
                                            loan_status
              dti
         0 27.65
                     13648.0
                               5861.071414
                                                       3
         1
             1.00
                      1687.0
                               1008.710000
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         2
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                               3003.653644
         3 20.00
                      5598.0 12226.302212
                                                       3
         4 17.94
                     27783.0
                               3242.170000
                                                       1
1.1.8 Correlation matrix (heatmap)
```

```
In [32]: %matplotlib inline
         plt.figure(figsize=(20,10))
         sns.set_context("notebook", font_scale=1.5)
         sns.heatmap(df_num.corr(), vmax=1, square=True, annot=True, fmt='.2f')
```

Out[32]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x13ae99fd0>



Summary: loan_amnt and funded_amnt have a perfect correlation of 1

The second highest correlation is between **grade** and **int_rate** (0.96); this more than likely implies that one is used to determine the other

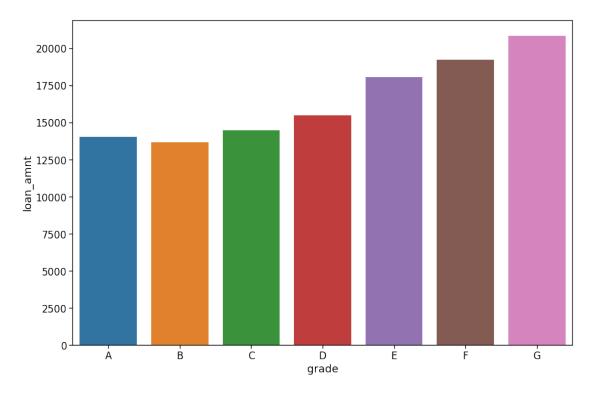
grade is also decently correlated with **term** (0.45); regarding the last bullet, **int_rate** is also rather correlated with **term** though not identical to **grade/term** correlation (0.43)

There is pretty strong correlation between **total_pymnt** and **loan_amnt/funded_amnt** (0.47)

There aren't many variables that are inversely correlated with the largest being **dti** and **annual_inc** (-0.09)

1.1.9 Average Loan Amount by Grade

Out[33]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x13b096350>



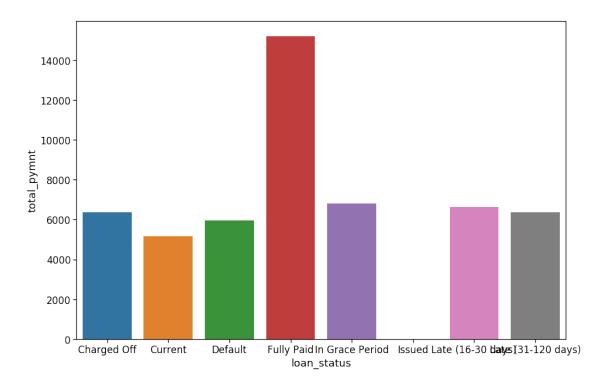
In [34]: avg_loan_amnt.sort_values('loan_amnt', ascending=False)

```
Out [34]:
                     loan_amnt
           grade
         6
                20855.868744
               G
         5
               F
                19217.782578
         4
               E 18071.066995
         3
               D 15494.357081
         2
               C 14480.310503
         0
               A 14044.276151
                 13650.167695
```

Summary When looking at loan amounts (**loan_amnt**) by **grade**, we can see that riskier loans have higher average loan amounts. This seems like a recipe for disaster but at the same time, I am led to believe that **loan_amnt** is used to calculate the **grade** and higher loan amounts will result in a lower **grade**. The only outlier to this trend is that the average loan amount for grade A loans is larger than grade B loans.

1.1.10 Average Total Payment by Loan Status

Out[35]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1118d3b10>

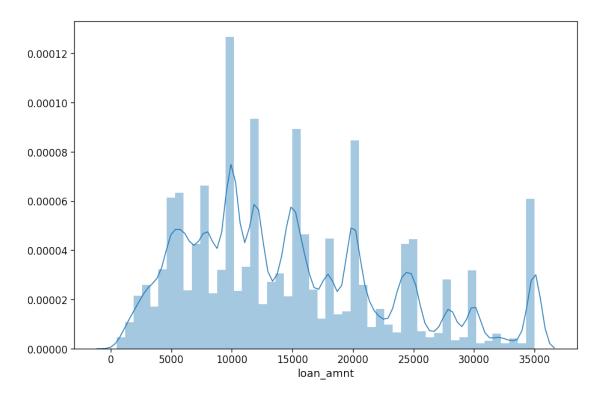


In [36]: avg_total_pymnt.sort_values('total_pymnt', ascending=False) Out [36]: loan_status total_pymnt Fully Paid 15186.680773 3 4 In Grace Period 6792.092241 6 Late (16-30 days) 6617.883309 0 Charged Off 6369.612648 7 Late (31-120 days) 6367.870714 2 Default 5947.982329 1 Current 5152.886189 5 Issued 9.307895

Summary We dug into the total payment amount (total_pymnt) by loan_status because total_pymnt had the highest correlation with loan_status out of all variables. One can see that the Fully Paid loans have the largest average total payment. This makes perfect sense as the loans were paid off. The loans with a status indicating they are late have a higher average total payment amount than those with a status of 'Current' which is probably due to interest.

1.1.11 Distribution of Loan Amount

Out[37]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x111920710>



Summary As seen in the **loan_amnt** distribution plot, there is tail to the right; the positive skew value of 0.681 confirms this

The kurtosis value of -0.259 indicates that the peakedness is pretty close to normal

1.2 Part 2

Create a dataset containing strictly 36 month loans.

```
(618687, 11)
Out[129]:
             loan_amnt
                         funded_amnt
                                                   int_rate grade
                                                                    annual_inc
                                                                                  issue_d \
          0
                5000.0
                              5000.0
                                        36 months
                                                      10.65
                                                                 В
                                                                       24000.0
                                                                                 Dec-2011
          2
                2400.0
                              2400.0
                                        36 months
                                                      15.96
                                                                 C
                                                                       12252.0
                                                                                 Dec-2011
          3
               10000.0
                             10000.0
                                        36 months
                                                      13.49
                                                                 C
                                                                       49200.0
                                                                                 Dec-2011
          5
                5000.0
                              5000.0
                                        36 months
                                                       7.90
                                                                       36000.0
                                                                                Dec-2011
                                                                 Α
                                        36 months
          7
                3000.0
                              3000.0
                                                      18.64
                                                                 Ε
                                                                       48000.0 Dec-2011
               dti
                    revol_bal
                                 total_pymnt loan_status
             27.65
                       13648.0
                                 5861.071414 Fully Paid
          0
          2
              8.72
                        2956.0
                                 3003.653644
                                               Fully Paid
          3
            20.00
                                               Fully Paid
                        5598.0
                               12226.302212
          5
             11.20
                        7963.0
                                 5631.377753
                                               Fully Paid
          7
              5.35
                        8221.0
                                 3938.144334
                                               Fully Paid
In [130]: print('Term Counts')
          pd.value_counts(df_36['term']).to_frame().reset_index()
Term Counts
Out[130]:
                   index
                            term
              36 months 618687
In [131]: print(df_36_num.shape)
          df_36_num.head()
(618687, 11)
Out[131]:
             loan_amnt
                         funded_amnt
                                      term int_rate grade
                                                               annual_inc
                                                                              issue_d \
                5000.0
                              5000.0
          0
                                         36
                                                10.65
                                                            1
                                                                  24000.0 2011-12-01
          2
                2400.0
                              2400.0
                                         36
                                                15.96
                                                            2
                                                                  12252.0 2011-12-01
          3
               10000.0
                                                13.49
                                                                  49200.0 2011-12-01
                             10000.0
                                         36
                                                            2
          5
                5000.0
                                                7.90
                                                                  36000.0 2011-12-01
                              5000.0
                                         36
                                                            0
          7
                3000.0
                              3000.0
                                         36
                                                18.64
                                                                  48000.0 2011-12-01
                    revol_bal
                                 total_pymnt
                                               loan_status
               dti
             27.65
                       13648.0
                                 5861.071414
          0
                                                         3
                                                         3
          2
              8.72
                        2956.0
                                 3003.653644
```

```
3
             20.00
                       5598.0
                               12226.302212
                                                         3
          5
                                                         3
             11.20
                       7963.0
                                 5631.377753
          7
              5.35
                       8221.0
                                 3938.144334
                                                         3
In [132]: print('Term Counts')
          pd.value_counts(df_36_num['term']).to_frame().reset_index()
```

Term Counts

```
Out[132]: index term
0 36 618687
```

After performing sanity check, data looks good to proceed.

1.2.1 #1

Percentage of loans fully paid.

3 2014 B

0.086963

```
In [133]: print('Number of Fully Paid 36-month loans: ' + str(df_36[df_36['loan_status'] == 'Full print('Percentage of total loans: {:.2f}%'.format(100*df_36[df_36['loan_status'] == 'Full print('Percentage of total loans: 167575
Number of Fully Paid 36-month loans: 167575
Percentage of total loans: 27.09%
```

27.09% of the 36-month loans have been fully paid.

1.2.2 #2

Bucket by origination year and grade. Which bucket has highest rate of default? Assume that any loan not fully paid has defaulted.

```
In [134]: # Convert to date then year
         df_36['orig_year'] = pd.to_datetime(df_36['issue_d'])
         df_36['orig_year'] = df_36['orig_year'].apply(lambda x: x.year)
          # Group year and grade
          df_36['year_grade'] = df_36['orig_year'].map(str) + ' ' + df_36['grade'].map(str)
          # Create default variable; if 'Fully Paid' then 'No' else 'Yes'
         df_36['default'] = np.where(df_36['loan_status'] == 'Fully Paid', 'No', 'Yes')
In [135]: df_36_default = df_36[df_36['default'] == 'Yes']
         pd.value_counts(df_36_default['default']).to_frame().reset_index()
Out[135]:
           index default
             Yes
                   451112
In [136]: pd.value_counts(df_36_default['year_grade'], normalize=True).to_frame().reset_index().
Out [136]:
             index year_grade
         0 2015 B 0.193065
          1 2015 C
                      0.160016
         2 2015 A 0.148515
```

```
4 2014 C 0.072113
5 2015 D 0.066977
6 2014 A 0.059129
7 2013 B 0.047252
8 2014 D 0.033814
9 2013 C 0.029966
```

Loans that originated in 2015 with a B grade constitute the largest portion of loans that have defaulted.

1.2.3 #3

Bucket by origination year and grade. What annualized rate of return have the loans generated on average? Assume that Annualized Rate of Return = (total_pymnt / funded_amnt -1) ^ (1/3).

```
In [137]: from __future__ import division
          df_36['ann_rate'] = (df_36['total_pymnt'] / df_36['funded_amnt'] - 1) ** (1/3)
In [138]: print('Overall average rate of return: ' + str(df_36['ann_rate'].mean()))
          by_year_grade = df_36.groupby('year_grade').mean()
          avg_ann_rate = by_year_grade['ann_rate'].reset_index()
          avg_ann_rate.sort_values('ann_rate', ascending=False).head(10)
Overall average rate of return: 0.475485541756
Out[138]:
            year_grade ann_rate
          33
                2011 G 0.683785
          40
                 2012 G 0.674487
          26
                2010 G 0.671978
          39
                 2012 F 0.661811
          38
                2012 E 0.648165
          32
                2011 F 0.628126
          31
                2011 E 0.627589
          11
                2008 F 0.618044
          37
                2012 D 0.617703
          12
                2008 G 0.612983
```

Looking at all of the loans, the average annual rate of return was 0.475.

Looking at buckets, loans that originated in 2011 (0.684), 2012 (0.674), and 2010 (0.672) with a G grade had the highest average annual rates of return.

1.3 Part 3

Building off of Part 2, build a logistic regression model that predicts loan defaults as defined above (if loan_status == 'Fully Paid' then 0 else 1).

Assume that (i) you are given the ability to invest in each loan independently; (ii) you invest immediately following loan origination and hold to maturity (36 months); and (iii) all loan fields that would be known upon origination are made available to you.

```
In [202]: df_3 = df_36.copy()
          df_3.head()
Out[202]:
             loan_amnt
                         funded_amnt
                                                   int_rate grade
                                                                    annual_inc
                                                                                  issue_d
                                             term
          0
                5000.0
                              5000.0
                                       36 months
                                                      10.65
                                                                В
                                                                       24000.0
                                                                                Dec-2011
          2
                2400.0
                              2400.0
                                       36 months
                                                      15.96
                                                                С
                                                                                Dec-2011
                                                                       12252.0
          3
                                                                С
               10000.0
                             10000.0
                                       36 months
                                                      13.49
                                                                                Dec-2011
                                                                       49200.0
          5
                5000.0
                              5000.0
                                       36 months
                                                       7.90
                                                                 Α
                                                                       36000.0
                                                                                Dec-2011
          7
                3000.0
                              3000.0
                                       36 months
                                                      18.64
                                                                Ε
                                                                       48000.0
                                                                                Dec-2011
               dti
                    revol_bal
                                 total_pymnt loan_status
                                                           orig_year year_grade default
                       13648.0
                                                                          2011 B
          0
             27.65
                                 5861.071414
                                              Fully Paid
                                                                 2011
                                                                                       No
          2
              8.72
                        2956.0
                                 3003.653644
                                               Fully Paid
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          3
             20.00
                                               Fully Paid
                                                                 2011
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                        5598.0 12226.302212
                                                                                       No
          5 11.20
                                               Fully Paid
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                                                                          2011 A
                        7963.0
                                 5631.377753
                                                                                       No
          7
              5.35
                        8221.0
                                 3938.144334
                                              Fully Paid
                                                                 2011
                                                                          2011 E
                                                                                       No
             ann_rate
          0 0.556361
          2 0.631237
          3 0.606077
          5 0.501695
          7 0.678760
```

Update the df_3 dataframe to be numerical (run same transformations that were used to create df_36_num) Remove the year_grade feature that was created for bucketing purposes

Remove the **loan_status** feature because we will be using the **default** field as our target variable.

Drop the **term** feature because it has no predictive power due to lack of variance (every value = '36 months').

```
Encode grade to numerical (e.g. 'A' = 0, 'B' = 1, etc.) Transform issue_d into date Transform default to binary 1/0 rather than Yes/No
```

```
# Drop term
df_3 = df_3.drop('term', axis=1)

# Convert to date then year
df_3['orig_year'] = pd.to_datetime(df_3['issue_d'])
df_3['orig_year'] = df_3['orig_year'].apply(lambda x: x.year)

# grade
le = pp.LabelEncoder()
le.fit(df_3['grade'])
df_3['grade'] = le.transform(df_3['grade'])

# issue_d
df_3['issue_d'] = pd.to_datetime(df_3['issue_d'])

# default
df_3['default'] = np.where(df_3['default'] == 'Yes', 1, 0)
```

ann_rate will be null for any value where the total_pymnt is less than funded_amnt These null values cannot be fed into our model. While I would love to just remove them and use the annual rate as an input, this would skew the model. We cannot only look at loans where the total_pymnt is greater than the funded_amnt when we are trying to predict loan defaults. We should remove the ann rate feature from our dataset.

```
In [204]: df_3 = df_3.drop('ann_rate', axis=1)
In [205]: df_3.head()
Out [205]:
             loan_amnt
                        funded_amnt
                                      int_rate grade annual_inc
                                                                      issue_d
                                                                                  dti \
          0
                5000.0
                              5000.0
                                         10.65
                                                     1
                                                           24000.0 2011-12-01
                                                                                27.65
          2
                2400.0
                              2400.0
                                         15.96
                                                     2
                                                                                 8.72
                                                           12252.0 2011-12-01
          3
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                                         13.49
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          7
                                                           48000.0 2011-12-01
                3000.0
                              3000.0
                                         18.64
                                                                                 5.35
             revol_bal
                          total_pymnt
                                       orig_year
                                                  default
          0
               13648.0
                          5861.071414
                                            2011
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          2
                2956.0
                         3003.653644
                                            2011
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          3
                5598.0 12226.302212
                                            2011
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          5
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                7963.0
                         5631.377753
                                            2011
          7
                8221.0
                          3938.144334
                                            2011
                                                         0
```

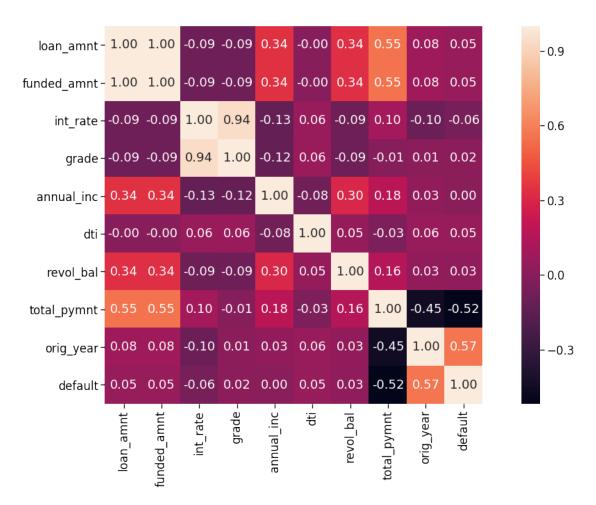
Feature Selection

Test for multicollinearity via correlation matrix (heatmap)

```
In [206]: %matplotlib inline
    plt.figure(figsize=(20,10))
```

```
sns.set_context("notebook", font_scale=1.5)
sns.heatmap(df_3.corr(), vmax=1, square=True, annot=True, fmt='.2f')
```

Out[206]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1e1872a10>



Summary loan_amnt and **funded_amnt** have a correlation of 1 so we can remove one of these features; they both have the same correlation to the target variable, **default**, so it won't matter which we keep in our model

grade and **int_rate** have a strong correlation fo 0.94 so let's remove one of these features as well; **int_rate** has a stronger absolute correlation with **default** so let's remove **grade**

Let's go with **orig_year** rather than **issue_d** for the date feature; when looking at the correlation matrix and analysis from part 2, it seems it will be a good feature; I don't think it's necessary to look at the date on a monthly level

Let's take a quick peak at how many loans have loan_amnt not equal to funded_amnt

```
Number of loans where loan_amnt is not equal to funded_amnt: 769 Percentage of loans in dataset: 0.12%
```

It is such a small percentage of loans which is why the correlation of the 2 features with every other feature is the same (to 2 decimal places). I think it makes more sense to go with the **loan_amnt** beacause the data dictionary says that if at some point the credit department reduces the loan amount, it is reflected in this value.

```
In [208]: X, y = df_3.drop(['default', 'funded_amnt', 'grade', 'issue_d'], axis=1), df_3['defaul
In [209]: X.head()
Out [209]:
            loan_amnt int_rate annual_inc
                                               dti revol_bal
                                                                total_pymnt orig_year
               5000.0
                          10.65
                                    24000.0 27.65
                                                      13648.0
                                                                5861.071414
                                                                                  2011
          2
                                    12252.0 8.72
                                                                3003.653644
                                                                                  2011
               2400.0
                          15.96
                                                       2956.0
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                                                       5598.0 12226.302212
               10000.0
                          13.49
                                    49200.0 20.00
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               5000.0
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                                    36000.0 11.20
                                                       7963.0
                                                                5631.377753
                                                                                  2011
         7
               3000.0
                          18.64
                                    48000.0
                                             5.35
                                                       8221.0
                                                                3938.144334
                                                                                  2011
```

Split into train and test sets Split the dataset into train and test sets for the logistic regression model. The train/test split should be 70%/30%. We will set a random seed to initialize the sampling.

```
In [210]: X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.3, random_state=
```

Build model We will use the default parameters for the sake of simplicity. 1. Create model with sklearn LogisticRegression() 2. Fit the model 3. Predict 4. Assess accuracy

Accuracy Score: 0.960885095928 AUC of ROC: 0.967970510179

Cross-validation Score: 0.960792463286

Summary The model performed strongly with an accuracy classification score of 0.961 (meaning it correctly predicted loan default 96.1% of the time).

The area under the ROC was used as a second form of validating model accuracy. The score of 0.967 is very close to 1 implying that the model does a good job of differentiating between loans that do/do not default.

The cross-validation score of 0.961 is also strong. This method applies k-fold cross validation which can be used to evaluate and compare models. A higher value indicates a stronger model.

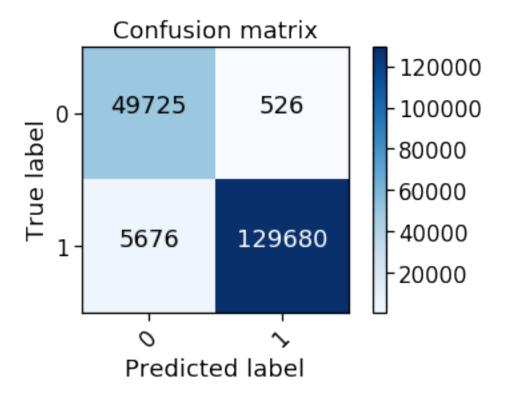
Appy Recursive Feature Elimination Let's apply RFE to see if we can generate a stronger logistic regression model.

```
In [237]: rfe = RFE(clf)
          rfe.fit(X_train, y_train)
Out[237]: RFE(estimator=LogisticRegression(C=1.0, class_weight=None, dual=False, fit_intercept=T
                    intercept_scaling=1, max_iter=100, multi_class='ovr', n_jobs=1,
                    penalty='12', random_state=None, solver='liblinear', tol=0.0001,
                    verbose=0, warm_start=False),
            n_features_to_select=None, step=1, verbose=0)
In [238]: print("Num Features: %d"% rfe.n_features_)
          print("Selected Features: %s"% rfe.support_)
          print("Feature Ranking: %s"% rfe.ranking_)
Num Features: 3
Selected Features: [ True True False False False True False]
Feature Ranking: [1 1 5 2 4 1 3]
In [239]: X_train.head()
Out [239]:
                  loan_amnt
                             int_rate annual_inc
                                                     dti
                                                           revol_bal total_pymnt
                                                                           373.75
          619590
                     2800.0
                                12.69
                                          28000.0 25.63
                                                              8989.0
          493417
                     3200.0
                                13.18
                                          24000.0
                                                    3.60
                                                               422.0
                                                                           105.76
                                10.99
                                                   4.35
                                                              3384.0
          533316
                    12000.0
                                          30000.0
                                                                           770.97
          773334
                     4800.0
                                14.65
                                          26000.0 26.50
                                                              5287.0
                                                                          1320.73
                                 6.89
                                          44400.0 34.38
                                                              2444.0
                                                                           735.29
          631820
                     6000.0
                  orig_year
          619590
                       2015
          493417
                       2015
          533316
                       2015
          773334
                       2015
          631820
                       2015
```

Summary RFE has identified that **loan_amnt**, **int_rate**, and **total_pymnt** are the strongest features in our logistic regression model. Let's limit the feature space to these 3 variables and create a new model.

Build new model

```
In [248]: X_train_2 = X_train[['loan_amnt', 'int_rate', 'total_pymnt']]
          X_test_2 = X_test[['loan_amnt', 'int_rate', 'total_pymnt']]
          clf = LogisticRegression()
          clf.fit(X_train_2, y_train)
          preds = clf.predict(X_test_2)
          print('Accuracy Score: ' + str(accuracy_score(y_test, preds)))
          print('AUC of ROC: ' + str(roc_auc_score(y_test, preds)))
          print('Cross-validation Score: ' + str(cross_val_score(clf, X_train, y_train).mean()))
Accuracy Score: 0.966585311976
AUC of ROC: 0.973799341661
Cross-validation Score: 0.960794772328
In [254]: # Confusion matrix
          cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, preds)
          classes = set(y_test)
          plot_confusion_matrix(cm, classes)
          confusion_metrics(cm)
Confusion matrix, without normalization
[[ 49725
            526]
[ 5676 129680]]
Accuracy = 0.966585311976
Misclassification Rate = 0.0334146880236
TP Rate = 0.958066136706
FP Rate = 0.0419338632938
TN Rate = 0.989532546616
FN Rate = 0.010467453384
Specifity = 0.958066136706
Precision = 0.897546975686
Prevalence = 0.270738711363
```



Summary The model performed strongly with an accuracy classification score of 0.967 (meaning it correctly predicted loan default 96.7% of the time). This is only a 0.006 point improvement over the classification score for the previous model.

The area under the ROC is 0.973 which is even closer to 1 than our previous model. This implies that the model does a better job of differentiating between loans that do/do not default.

The cross-validation score of 0.961 is also strong. This is almost equivalent to the previous model's cross-validation score.

Looking at the confusion matrix for the model, we can see that the model predicts defaults when the loan has actually defaulted roughy 96% of the time and predicts no default when the loan has not defaulted roughly 99% of the time. Let's look at this from an investment perspective at the loan-level and decide we want to invest in loans that the model predicts will not default. The result will be that 90% of the loans we have invested in will not default (labeled above as precision).

Conclusion

Model Selection Our initial model used the following features:

loan_amnt, int_rate, annual_inc, dti, revol_bal, total_pymnt, orig_year The second model used the following features:

loan_amnt, **int_rate**, **total_pymnt** The second model performed slightly better than the initial model. Reducing the feature space led to an improved classification accuracy score and larger area under the ROC (implying the model is better at differentiating between loans that default

and loans that do not). While the performance of the second model is not that much better than the initial model, it makes more sense to go with this model. A smaller feature space can reduce any chance of overfitting and at the same time improves model interpretability. It is safe to say that the loan amount (loan_amnt), interest rate (int_rate), and total payment amount (total_pymnt) are strong features for predicting loan default.

Final Model: Logistic Regression with target variable = 'default' and feature variables ['loan_amnt', 'int_rate', 'total_pymnt']