

# Risk Analyst.

Case Presentation.



**cloudwalk**

# Agenda

**01** Understanding  
the Industry.

**02** Solving the  
problem.

**03** Getting Hands  
Dirty.

**04** Conclusions.

# 01 Understanding the Industry.





# Money Flow.

Explaining the money flow, the information flow and the role of the main players in the payment industry.



# Roles



## Customer

Our brave customer, who supports business, the one who buys something with a card.



## Merchant

Merchant are basically someone providing a service.



## Acquirer

Responsible for processing payments, meaning that it processes credit card payments on behalf of a merchant, such as InfinitePay, Cielo, Rede, GetNet.



## Brand

Card brands are company responsible for defining the business rules for purchases, defining standards for the whole industry.



## Issuer Bank

The one who issues the card for the costumer, who approves or deny a purchase, depending on available credit or available monetary resources

# There's not only Acquirer...

Explaining the difference between  
acquirer, sub-acquirer and  
payment gateway

# Acquirer, Sub-Acquirer and Gateway

## Acquirers

Acquirers are responsible for providing the communication between merchants, Brands and issuer Bank.



## Sub-Acquirers

Sub-Acquirers are responsible for Intermedium the payment between the merchants and the acquirers, who's responsible for contacting the issuer bank. Gateway are already integrated.



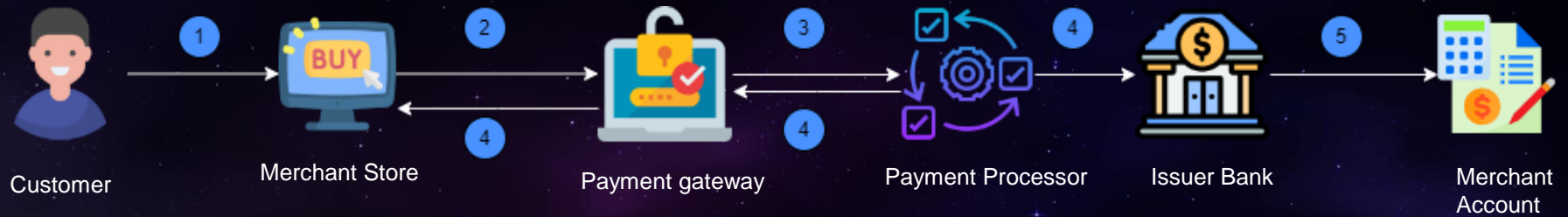
## Gateway

Gateway transport information between acquires, merchants and issuer bank, grant the costumer data security, during an online purchase flow, totally customized. It can be integrated with multiple acquires and anti-fraud systems.





# Payment Gateway Flow.



# Chargebacks

What are chargebacks, how they differ from cancellation and what is their connection with fraud in the acquiring world.

# Chargeback?



## What 's that?

Chargeback is the reversal of the value to the customer, whether due to a company or operator error, or because it is an improper purchase and not recognized by the buyer



## Cancellation or Chargeback?

The main difference is that while chargeback is carried out by the customer, the cancellation comes from the merchant who made the sale



## Chargeback Frauds

Scammers can take advantages of this loophole. Without proof, the financial institution have to return the fund, causing highly financial lost.

# 02 Solving the Problem



# Real World Problem.

Leading with a real world problem, where a client contacts the company through e-mail asking for a chargeback status.

# Problem.



*A client sends you an email asking for a chargeback status. You check the system, and see that we have received his defense documents and sent them to the issuer, but the issuer has denied it. They claim that the cardholder continued to affirm that she did not receive the product, and our documents were not sufficient to prove otherwise. You respond to our client informing that the issuer denied the defense, and the next day he emails you back, extremely angry and disappointed, claiming the product was delivered and that this chargeback is not right. Considering that the chargeback reason is “Product/Service not provided”, what would you do in this situation?*

# Case Analysis

*Analyzing the presented scenario, we can identify the possible actors involved in the chargeback case*

- Client (Service Provider)
- Acquirer (CloudWalk)
- Issuer (Financial Institution)
- Client (Cardholder/who requested the product / service)

*Some hypotheses of fraud involved are:*

- Self-fraud
- Effective fraud
- Friendly fraud
- mislay



*As the documentation presented is not sufficient to identify fraud or mislay, it will be necessary to contact supplier for more evidence of the delivery of the product.*

# Case Solution.



*Dear Client, we apologize for the inconvenience, but we will not be able to proceed with your chargeback request, due to lack of evidence. I suggest providing appropriate documentations, related to product delivery, status and invoice. After sending concrete proofs, we will follow up with your chargeback request and have a better conclusion for both parts involved.*

*Best regards.*



# 03 Getting Hands Dirty.

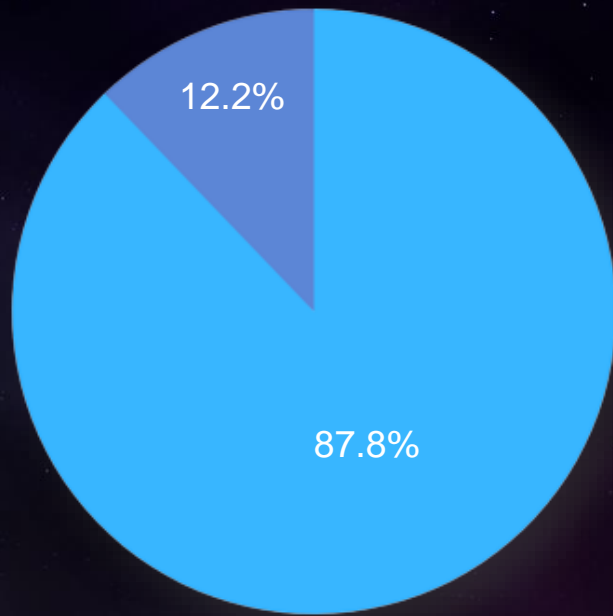


# Data Analysis I



Analyze the data provided and present conclusions. What suspicious behaviors are presented? What's the conclusion?

# ChargeBack



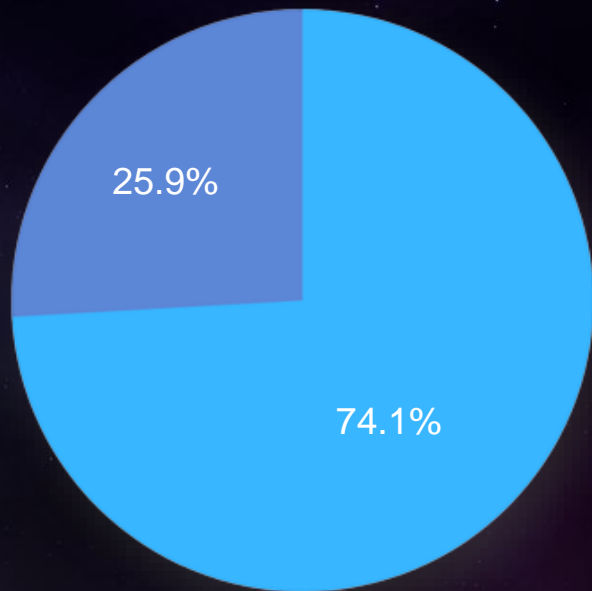
The first analyse made, which got my attention was the chargeback cases, which was 12.2% over 3199 transactions made. Excessive chargebacks can cause financial damage, which related me to think that this could be a potential problem that should be investigated.



```
type = df["has_cbk"].value_counts()

chargebackStatus = type.index
quantity = type.values
import plotly.express as px
figure = px.pie(df, values=quantity, names=chargebackStatus, hole=0.4, title="Distribution of Transactions that had chargeback")
figure.show()
```

# Client Device



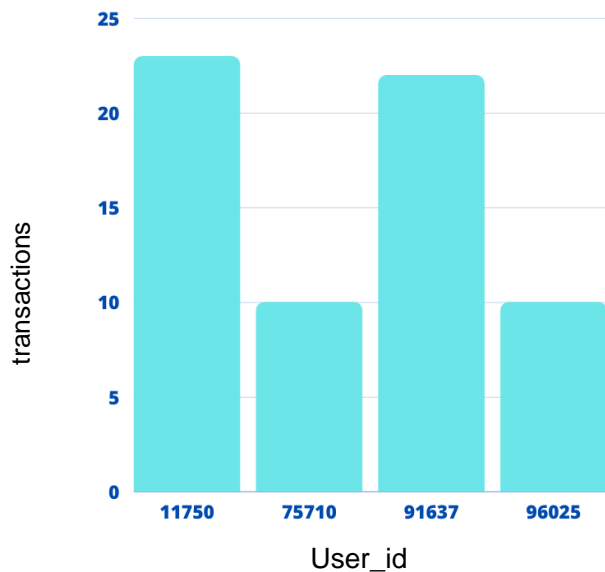
25.9% over 3199 transactions were made without registering a `client_device_id`, which let me thinking this could be a possible system error, or all of those transactions were made in person, without using a properly device, which gets harder to track suspicious client behaviour.

```
notnullDevices = df['device_id'].notnull().sum()
nullDevices = df['device_id'].isnull().sum()

values = [notnullDevices, nullDevices]
labels = ['device_id', 'device_id_null']

plt.pie(values, labels=labels, autopct='%1.1f%%')
plt.axis('equal')
plt.title("Transaction without device_id registred")
plt.show()
```

# Transactions Analysis



Checking the `user_id`, (our customers) who purchased more than 10 times at the same merchant. The idea is to check, because frauds may happen frequently at the same merchant. After seeing that, we can assume that we had 4 customers with suspicious behavior, some reaching over 20 transactions at the same merchant in a short period of time.

```
grouped = df.groupby(
    ['user_id', 'merchant_id']
).size().reset_index(name='counts')

result = grouped[grouped['counts'] >= 10]

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result.plot(kind='bar', x='user_id', y='counts')

plt.show()

print(result)
```

# Transactions Analysis

After creating a local database instance, importing all transactional\_sample present, I had to query this data, to see exactly the merchant\_id corresponded to the user\_id, exactly the merchants which our customers had purchased.

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]> SELECT user_id, COUNT(*), merchant_id, COUNT(*) FROM datasets GROUP BY user_id, merchant_id HAVING COUNT(*) >= 10;
```

user_id	COUNT(*)	merchant_id	COUNT(*)
11750	23	17275	23
75710	10	77130	10
91637	22	4705	22
96025	10	1308	10

```
4 rows in set (0.006 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]>
```

# Transactions [Different Card Number]

After carefully analysing, I select a specific user\_id to visualize the transactions, and we can figure out that, this customer had over 10 transactions at the same merchant, besides, bought it with different cards, an amount more than average in the dataset, in addition to that, all the transactions were chargebacks.

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]> SELECT * FROM datasets WHERE user_id = 96025 AND has_cbk = "TRUE";
```

transaction_id	merchant_id	user_id	card_number	transaction_date	transaction_amount	device_id	has_cbk
21320963	1308	96025	406655*****4980	2019-11-29	2141.93	438940	TRUE
21320967	1308	96025	406655*****7343	2019-11-29	2259.99	438940	TRUE
21320994	1308	96025	406655*****7343	2019-11-29	2288.47	438940	TRUE
21321001	1308	96025	406655*****4980	2019-11-29	2261.25	438940	TRUE
21321107	1308	96025	406655*****5764	2019-11-29	2412.28	438940	TRUE
21321121	1308	96025	406655*****5764	2019-11-29	2486.7	438940	TRUE
21321122	1308	96025	406655*****4572	2019-11-29	1648.3	438940	TRUE
21321127	1308	96025	406655*****5764	2019-11-29	2774.51	438940	TRUE
21321129	1308	96025	406655*****4608	2019-11-29	2819.59	438940	TRUE
21321132	1308	96025	406655*****5763	2019-11-29	2904.6	438940	TRUE
21321203	18267	96025	406655*****2133	2019-11-28	2029.76	438940	TRUE
21321210	18267	96025	406655*****5812	2019-11-28	2040.15	438940	TRUE
21321226	18267	96025	406655*****4332	2019-11-28	2081.98	438940	TRUE

```
13 rows in set (0.003 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]>
```

# Transactions [Amount]

Getting historical highest transactions to check if there's similar purchases, mostly close to the same value as before, made by the same customer, who can perform in fraudulent behavior

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]> SELECT user_id, transaction_amount FROM datasets ORDER BY transaction_amount DESC LIMIT 10;
```

user_id	transaction_amount
78262	4097.21
17929	4095.82
31561	4091.83
78262	4089.88
78262	4089.73
75771	4080.03
54976	4078.8
78262	4077.47
49106	4077.07
78262	4076.4

```
10 rows in set (0.003 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]>
```



# Transactions [Amount]

Considering the highest transactions, who had chargeback, we can notice that there's an `user_id` who purchased over the average transactions, frequently in a short period of time.

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]> SELECT user_id, transaction_amount, has_cbk FROM datasets WHERE has_cbk = "TRUE" ORDER BY transaction_amount DESC LIMIT 10
```

user_id	transaction_amount	has_cbk
78262	4097.21	TRUE
17929	4095.82	TRUE
78262	4089.88	TRUE
78262	4089.73	TRUE
78262	4077.47	TRUE
78262	4076.4	TRUE
24644	4072.9	TRUE
78262	4058.92	TRUE
17929	4058.61	TRUE
16644	4055.58	TRUE

```
10 rows in set (0.003 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]>
```

# Transactions [Different Card Number]

The same customer, who had the highest historical values, also had transactions with different card numbers, not only in the same Merchant but others.

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]> SELECT user_id, transaction_amount merchant_id, card_number FROM datasets WHERE user_id = 78262 ORDER BY transaction_amount DESC;
```

user_id	merchant_id	card_number
78262	4097.21	498401*****7580
78262	4089.88	514868*****3935
78262	4089.73	553636*****6301
78262	4077.47	553636*****6676
78262	4076.4	553636*****4313
78262	4058.92	553636*****6300
78262	4028.55	553636*****3478
78262	3996.79	515590*****2057
78262	2257.43	406655*****6489
78262	1329.55	515590*****4614
78262	1082.03	553636*****6300
78262	1068.03	553636*****6301
78262	943.14	553636*****4313

```
13 rows in set (0.009 sec)
```

```
MariaDB [transactional_sample]>
```



## Full Fraud Analysis Case [version 1.0.0]

### Python:

[https://github.com/Deividev365/payment\\_fraud\\_analysis/blob/main/fraud\\_analysis.ipynb](https://github.com/Deividev365/payment_fraud_analysis/blob/main/fraud_analysis.ipynb)

### SQL Queries:

[https://github.com/Deividev365/payment\\_fraud\\_analysis/blob/main/queries.sql](https://github.com/Deividev365/payment_fraud_analysis/blob/main/queries.sql)

# Data Analysis II



In addition to the spreadsheet data, what other data would you consider to find patterns of possible fraudulent behavior?

# Possibilities Beyond

**IP Address: Containing transaction's Location**



- ❑ **Shipping information:** If the transaction involves physical goods, the shipping information (e.g., address, name) could be compared against the billing information to identify inconsistencies.



- ❑ **Email or phone number:** Verifying the email or phone number associated with the transaction could help identify fake or stolen identities.



# Data Analysis III



Considering the conclusions,  
what are the others suggestions  
in order to prevent frauds or  
chargebacks?

# Fraud Prevention

**Using AI fraud detection Softwares to prevent fraudulent actions, including chargebacks operation;**



**Being accurately to PCI DSS compliance rules to stay up to the market secure environment;**




**Providing excellent customer service. It can reduce chargebacks by addressing customer concerns;**



# 04 Conclusions.







“Imagination will often carry us to worlds  
that never were. But without it we go  
nowhere”

—**Carl Sagan**

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