

# PHISHING EMAIL DETECTION

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## The town of Tewksbury loses \$102,000 in email phishing scam

By Charlie McKenna Globe Correspondent, Updated February 23, 2022, 1:35 p.m.



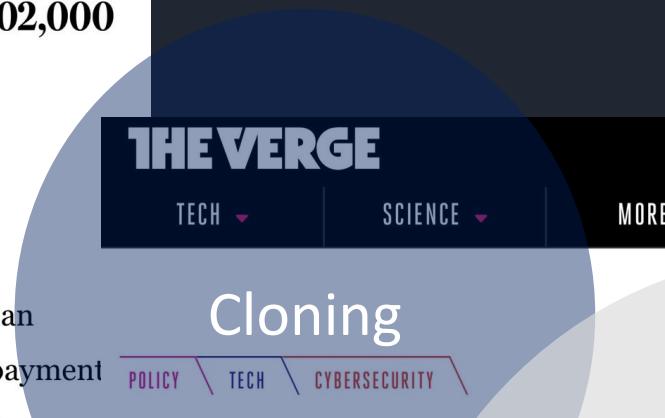
The town of Tewksbury lost more than \$100,000 due to a fraudulent wire payment after a town employee fell victim to a phishing scam late last year, officials said.

The employee received an email in late December from a regular vendor inquiring about invoices and asking for payment to be



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## Scam Alert: Phishing techniques impacting taxpayers this tax season



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### \$1.7 million in NFTs stolen in apparent phishing attack on OpenSea users

*Two hundred and fifty-four tokens were stolen over roughly three hours.*

Russell Brandom | Feb 20, 2022, 9:37am EST

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## Tewksbury loses \$102,000 to phishing scam

By Anna Lavery

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## Email Phishing

### More Orgs Suffered Successful Phishing Attacks in 2021 Than in 2020

Threat actors maintained their relentless attacks on enterprise end users for yet another year, new study shows.

February 22, 2022

Jai Vijayan

## Spear Phishing

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### Phishing Top Threat to US Healthcare



Sarah Coble

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### Report: Phishing Attacks Grew 28% Across 2021

In December 2021, enterprises averaged around 68 attacks per month on social media alone.

Adam Rowe

February 23rd 2022 | 9:32 am



# DATA COLLECTION



Enron corpus



Nazario corpus



Parsed it to csv



Few Shot Learning

# DATA WRANGLING



Identified and Restructured metadata



Text Cleaning

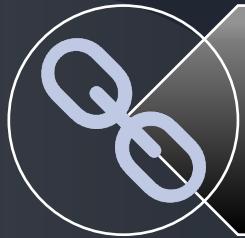


Text Mapping and Generalization



Handled Class Imbalance

# We protect the end user from



Malicious URLs



Business Email  
Compromise



Brand Imposters

Link and  
Domain  
analysis

Content  
analysis

Meta data  
analysis

# DOMAIN ANALYSIS

## FRAUDULENT DOMAIN

FROM:

no-reply@ebuy.com

Links:

- <http://pages.ebay.com>
- <https://sign-in.eby.com>

## MALICIOUS URL

FROM:

w-confirm@ebay.com

Links:

- <https://images.ebay.com>
- <http://251.120.83.1>
- <http://login-member.rcmail.eu>

## WHITELISTING URLs

FROM:

sender@domain.com

Links:

- <https://mobile.msn.com>
- <http://teams.microsoft.com>

FROM:

sender@domain.com

Links:

- <https://microsoft.jindo.com>

# CONTENT ANALYSIS

From BM paypl.secure.org X

[EXT] Immediate Action: Account locked due to suspicious activity.

Dear Valued Customer.

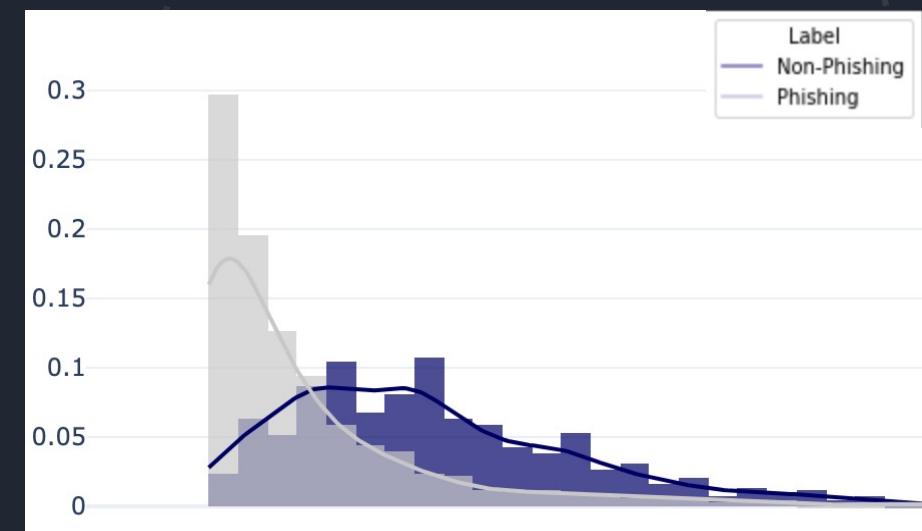
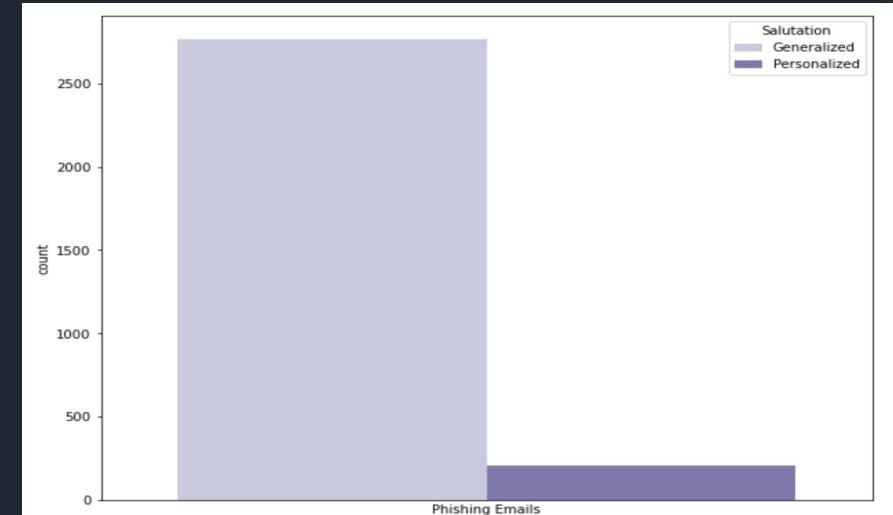
We have received notice that you have recently attempted to withdraw the following amount, from your paypal account, while in another country : \$500 As a safety measure, please visit our website via the link below to verify and update your personal information. [Click here](#)

[www.paypal.com/account/security](http://www.paypal.com/account/security)  
[www.paypal.com/logout](http://www.paypal.com/logout) Cmd+Click to follow link  
http://www.paypl.com/

Thanks.  
Paypal Team

Generalized Salutation

Call For Action



# METADATA ANALYSIS

From BM paypl.secure.org X

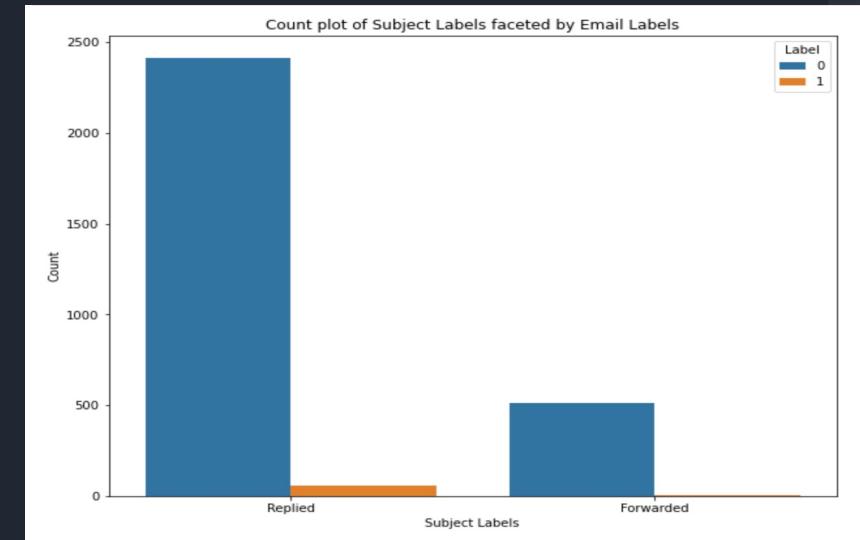
[EXT] Immediate Action: Account locked due to suspicious activity.

Dear Valued Customer.  
We have received notice that you have recently attempted to withdraw the following amount, from your paypal account, while in another country : \$500. As a safety measure, please visit our website via the link below to verify and update your personal information. [Click here](#)  
[www.paypal.com/account/security](http://www.paypal.com/account/security)  
[www.paypal.com/login](http://www.paypal.com/login) Cmd+Click to follow link http://www.paypl.com/

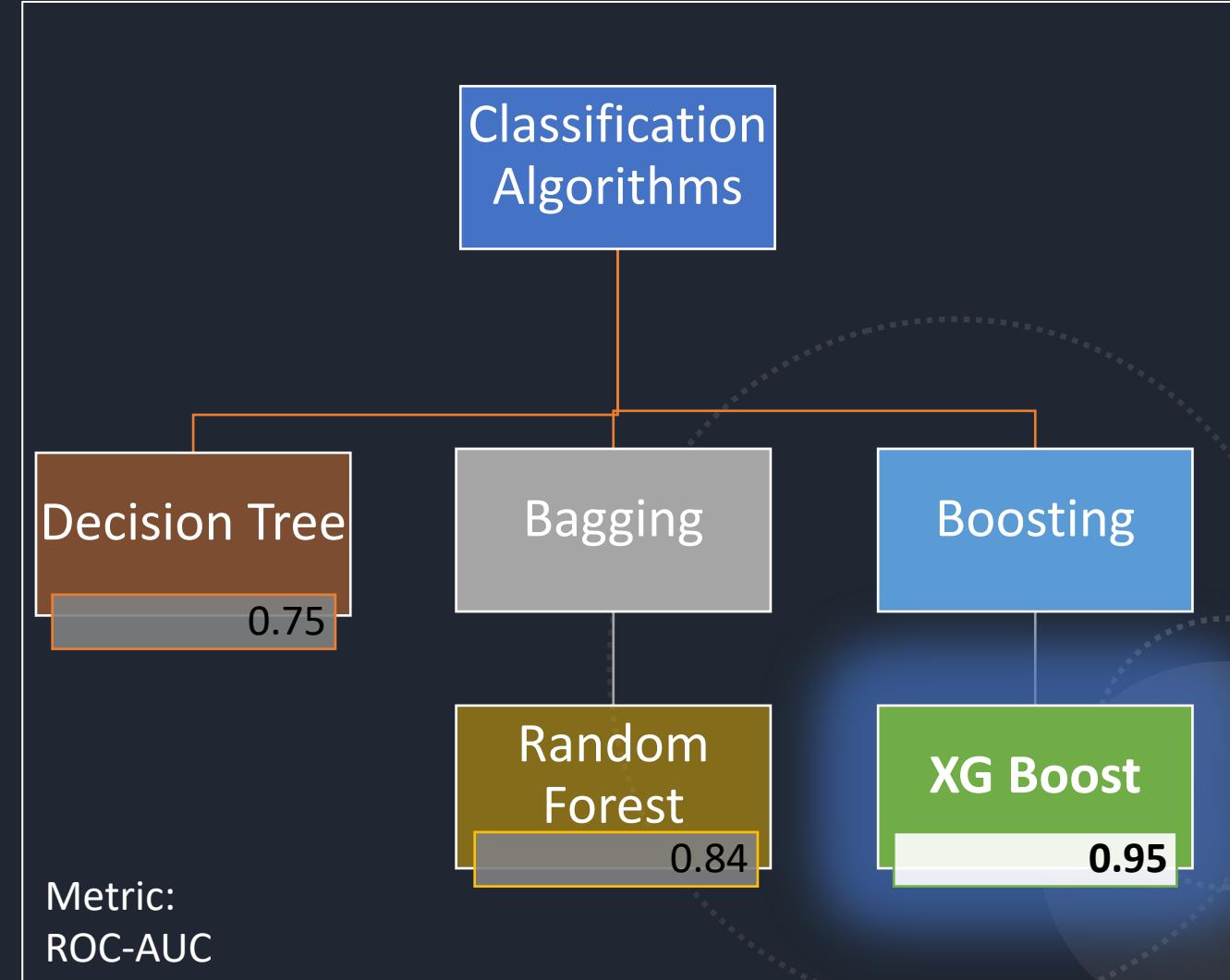
Thanks.  
Paypal Team

Email Subject Abbreviations

Subject Urgency



# ALGORITHMS IMPLEMENTED



## FUTURE SCOPE

- Learn and update the best predictor for future data at every step using Online learning
- Expanding the scope against phishing attacks to include social media and instant messaging
- Customizable filter rules so that administrators can define their own policies for blocking
  - Spam Emails
  - Bulk Campaigns
  - Unsolicited Marketing materials

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