Business Context -

This case requires trainees to develop a model for predicting fraudulent transactions for a financial company and use insights from the model to develop an actionable plan. Data for the case is available in CSV format having 6362620 rows and 10 columns.

Candidates can use whatever method they wish to develop their machine learning model.

Following usual model development procedures, the model would be estimated on the calibration data and tested on the validation data. This case requires both statistical analysis and creativity/judgment. We recommend you spend time on both fine-tuning and interpreting the results of your machine learning model.

Your task is to execute the process for proactive detection of fraud while answering following questions.

- 1. Data cleaning including missing values, outliers and multi-collinearity.
- 2. Describe your fraud detection model in elaboration.
- 3. How did you select variables to be included in the model?
- 4. Demonstrate the performance of the model by using best set of tools.
- 5. What are the key factors that predict fraudulent customer?
- 6. Do these factors make sense? If yes, How? If not, How not?
- 7. What kind of prevention should be adopted while company update its infrastructure?
- 8. Assuming these actions have been implemented, how would you determine if they work?

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In [50]:
         import pandas as pd
         import numpy as np
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         import seaborn as sns
In [51]: try:
              data = pd.read_csv('Downloads/Fraud.csv')
         except FileNotFoundError:
              print("Error: File not found. Please make sure the file path is correct.")
              exit()
In [52]:
         data.head()
            step
                        type
                              amount
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                                                   oldbalanceOrg newbalanceOrig
                                                                                    nameDest oldbalanceDest newbalanceDest
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                   PAYMENT 11668.14 C2048537720
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In [53]: data.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
        RangeIndex: 6362620 entries, 0 to 6362619
        Data columns (total 11 columns):
         #
             Column
                              Dtype
         0
             step
                              int64
         1
                              object
             type
         2
             amount
                              float64
         3
             nameOrig
                              object
             oldbalanceOrg
         4
                              float64
         5
             newbalanceOrig
                              float64
         6
             nameDest
                              object
             oldbalanceDest
                             float64
         8
             newbalanceDest float64
         9
             isFraud
                              int64
         10 isFlaggedFraud int64
        dtypes: float64(5), int64(3), object(3)
        memory usage: 534.0+ MB
In [54]: data.isnull().sum()
                             0
Out[54]: step
                             0
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          amount
          name0rig
                             0
          oldbalance0rg
                             0
          newbalanceOrig
                             0
          nameDest
                            0
          oldbalanceDest
                            0
          newbalanceDest
                            0
          isFraud
                             0
          isFlaggedFraud
                             0
          dtype: int64
In [55]: legit = len(data[data.isFraud == 0])
         fraud = len(data[data.isFraud == 1])
         legit_percent = (legit / (fraud + legit)) * 100
         fraud percent = (fraud / (fraud + legit)) * 100
         print("Number of Legit transactions: ", legit)
         print("Number of Fraud transactions: ", fraud)
         print("Percentage of Legit transactions: {:.4f} %".format(legit percent))
         print("Percentage of Fraud transactions: {:.4f} %".format(fraud_percent))
        Number of Legit transactions: 6354407
        Number of Fraud transactions: 8213
        Percentage of Legit transactions: 99.8709 %
        Percentage of Fraud transactions: 0.1291 %
In [60]: print(f"\nNumber of duplicate rows: {data.duplicated().sum()}")
        Number of duplicate rows: 0
 In []: x = data[data['nameDest'].str.contains('M')]
         x.head()
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                                                                                 nameDest oldbalanceDest newbalanceDest isFrau
            step
                      type
                             amount
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                                                       53860.0
                                                                     46042.29
                                                                               M573487274
                                                                                                      0.0
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          6
               1 PAYMENT
                            7107 77
                                     C154988899
                                                       183195 0
                                                                     176087 23
                                                                               M408069119
                                                                                                      0.0
                                                                                                                     0.0
         4
         For merchants there is no information regarding the attribites oldbalanceDest and newbalanceDest.
         --- Outlier Detection and Handling ---
 In [ ]: def detect_outliers_iqr(data, column):
              Q1 = data[column].quantile(0.25)
              Q3 = data[column].quantile(0.75)
              IQR = Q3 - Q1
              lower bound = Q1 - 1.5 * IQR
              upper bound = Q3 + 1.5 * IQR
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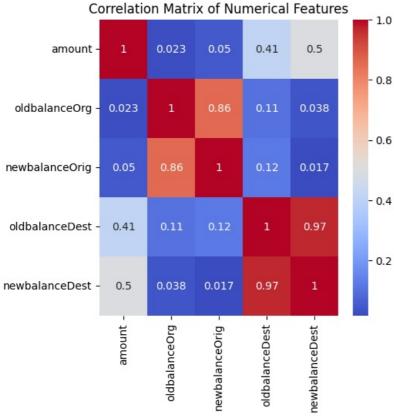
outliers = data[(data[column] < lower_bound) | (data[column] > upper_bound)]

In []: numerical_cols = ['amount', 'oldbalanceOrg', 'newbalanceOrig', 'oldbalanceDest', 'newbalanceDest']

return outliers, lower bound, upper bound

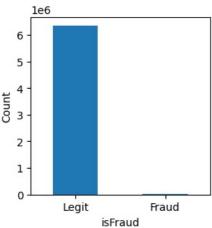
outlier_results = {}

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for col in numerical cols:
             outliers, lower bound, upper bound = detect outliers iqr(data, col)
             outlier_results[col] = {
                   'outliers': outliers,
                  'lower_bound': lower_bound,
                  'upper_bound': upper_bound,
             print(f"\nOutliers in column '{col}': {len(outliers)}")
        Outliers in column 'amount': 338078
        Outliers in column 'oldbalanceOrg': 1112507
        Outliers in column 'newbalanceOrig': 1053391
        Outliers in column 'oldbalanceDest': 786135
        Outliers in column 'newbalanceDest': 738527
In []: for col in numerical cols:
             if col in outlier results:
                  lower_bound = outlier_results[col]['lower_bound']
                  upper bound = outlier results[col]['upper bound']
                  data[col] = np.clip(data[col], lower_bound, upper_bound)
                  print(f"Outliers in column '{col}' capped to [{lower_bound}, {upper_bound}]")
        Outliers in column 'amount' capped to [-279608.29125, 501719.33875]
       Outliers in column 'oldbalanceOrg' capped to [-160972.7625, 268287.9375]
Outliers in column 'newbalanceOrig' capped to [-216387.615, 360646.025]
Outliers in column 'oldbalanceDest' capped to [-1414555.06125, 2357591.76875]
        Outliers in column 'newbalanceDest' capped to [-1667863.875, 2779773.125]
In [ ]: correlation_matrix = data[numerical_cols].corr()
In [ ]: plt.figure(figsize=(5,5))
         sns.heatmap(correlation matrix, annot=True, cmap='coolwarm')
         plt.title('Correlation Matrix of Numerical Features')
         plt.show()
```



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In []: plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
    labels = ["Legit", "Fraud"]
    count_classes = data.value_counts(data['isFraud'], sort= True)
    count_classes.plot(kind = "bar", rot = 0)
    plt.title("Visualization of Labels")
    plt.ylabel("Count")
    plt.xticks(range(2), labels)
    plt.show()
```

Visualization of Labels



```
In [ ]: data1 = data.copy()
    data1.head()
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:		step	type	amount	nameOrig	oldbalanceOrg	newbalanceOrig	nameDest	oldbalanceDest	newbalanceDest	isFra
	0	1	PAYMENT	9839.64	C1231006815	170136.0	160296.36	M1979787155	0.0	0.0	
	1	1	PAYMENT	1864.28	C1666544295	21249.0	19384.72	M2044282225	0.0	0.0	
	2	1	TRANSFER	181.00	C1305486145	181.0	0.00	C553264065	0.0	0.0	
	3	1	CASH_OUT	181.00	C840083671	181.0	0.00	C38997010	21182.0	0.0	
	4	1	PAYMENT	11668.14	C2048537720	41554.0	29885.86	M1230701703	0.0	0.0	
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Label Encoding

In []: data1.head()

Out[]

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In [ ]: objList = data1.select_dtypes(include = "object").columns
print (objList)
```

Index(['type', 'nameOrig', 'nameDest'], dtype='object')

THERE ARE 3 ATTRIBUTES WITH Object Datatype. THUS WE NEED TO LABEL ENCODE THEM IN ORDER TO CHECK MULTICOLINEARITY.

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In []: from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
        le = LabelEncoder()
        for feat in objList:
            data1[feat] = le.fit_transform(data1[feat].astype(str))
        print (data1.info())
       <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
       RangeIndex: 6362620 entries, 0 to 6362619
       Data columns (total 11 columns):
        #
           Column
                            Dtype
        0
           step
                            int64
        1
           type
amount
                            int64
                            float64
        3 nameOrig
                            int64
        4 oldbalanceOrg float64
           newbalanceOrig float64
nameDest int64
        6
           oldbalanceDest float64
        8 newbalanceDest float64
       9 isFraud int64
10 isFlaggedFraud int64
       dtypes: float64(5), int64(6)
       memory usage: 534.0 MB
```

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Out[]:
                                  nameOrig oldbalanceOrg newbalanceOrig nameDest oldbalanceDest newbalanceDest isFraud isFlagge
                  type
                         amount
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MULTICOLINEARITY

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In [ ]: from statsmodels.stats.outliers_influence import variance_inflation_factor
    from statsmodels.tools.tools import add_constant

In [ ]: def calculate_vif(data):
    vif = pd.DataFrame()
    vif["variables"] = data.columns
    vif["VIF"] = [variance_inflation_factor(data.values, i) for i in range(data.shape[1])]
    return(vif)
    calculate_vif(data1)
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:[]:		variables	VIF
	0	step	3.074162
	1	type	5.340388
	2	amount	3.017503
	3	nameOrig	3.112559
	4	oldbalanceOrg	6.290525
	5	newbalanceOrig	7.313279
	6	nameDest	4.198199
	7	oldbalanceDest	34.207066
	8	newbalanceDest	38.183047
	9	isFraud	1.025404
	10	isFlaggedFraud	1.002020

In []: data1.head()

:[]:		step	type	amount	nameOrig	oldbalanceOrg	newbalanceOrig	nameDest	oldbalanceDest	newbalanceDest	isFraud	isFlagge
	0	1	3	9839.64	757869	170136.0	160296.36	1662094	0.0	0.0	0	
	1	1	3	1864.28	2188998	21249.0	19384.72	1733924	0.0	0.0	0	
	2	1	4	181.00	1002156	181.0	0.00	439685	0.0	0.0	1	
	3	1	1	181.00	5828262	181.0	0.00	391696	21182.0	0.0	1	
	4	1	3	11668.14	3445981	41554.0	29885.86	828919	0.0	0.0	0	

We can see that oldbalanceOrg and newbalanceOrig have too high VIF thus they are highly correlated. Similarly oldbalanceDest and newbalanceDest. Also nameDest is connected to nameOrig.

Thus combine these pairs of collinear attributes and drop the individual ones.

```
data1['Actual_amount_orig'] = data1.apply(lambda x: x['oldbalanceOrg'] - x['newbalanceOrig'],axis=1)
    data1['Actual_amount_dest'] = data1.apply(lambda x: x['oldbalanceDest'] - x['newbalanceDest'],axis=1)
    data1['TransactionPath'] = data1.apply(lambda x: x['nameOrig'] + x['nameDest'],axis=1)

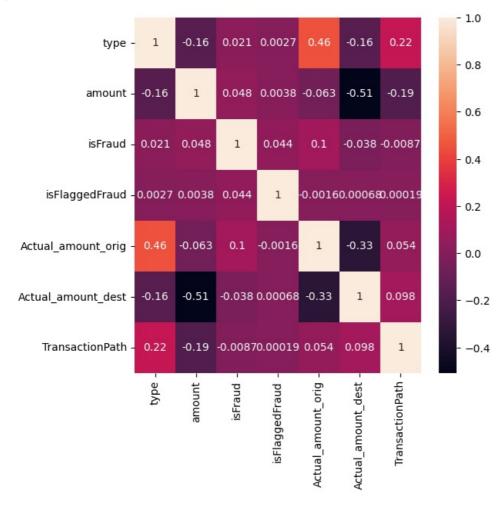
data1 = data1.drop(['oldbalanceOrg', 'newbalanceOrig', 'oldbalanceDest', 'newbalanceDest', 'step', 'nameOrig', 'nameOrig'
    calculate_vif(data1)
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Out[]:
                     variables
                                     VIF
         0
                          type 2.859519
         1
                        amount 2.323191
         2
                        isFraud 1.018565
         3
                isFlaggedFraud 1.002008
             Actual_amount_orig 1.431167
         4
         5
            Actual_amount_dest 1.983253
         6
                TransactionPath 3.028186
```

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In [ ]: corr=data1.corr()

plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
sns.heatmap(corr,annot=True)
```

Out[]: <Axes: >



Using the VIF values and correlation heatmap. We just need to check if there are any two attributes highly correlated to each other and then drop the one which is less correlated to the is a Fraud Attribute.

```
In []: from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
In []: scaler = StandardScaler()
    datal["NormalizedAmount"] = scaler.fit_transform(datal["amount"].values.reshape(-1, 1))
    datal.drop(["amount"], inplace= True, axis= 1)
    x = datal.drop(["isFraud"], axis= 1)
    y = datal["isFraud"]
In []: from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
In []: x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)
    x_train.shape, x_test.shape
Out[]: ((5090096, 6), (1272524, 6))
In []: from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
    from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
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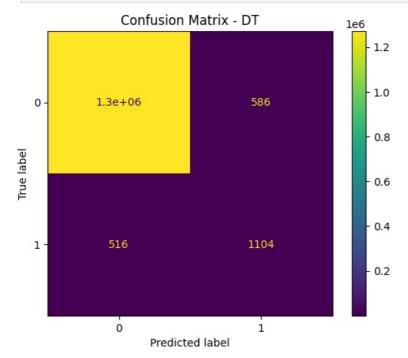
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In [ ]: decision_tree = DecisionTreeClassifier()
        decision_tree.fit(x_train, y_train)
        pred dt = decision tree.predict(x test)
        decision_tree_score = decision_tree.score(x_test, y_test) * 100
In [ ]: random_forest = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators= 100)
        random_forest.fit(x_train, y_train)
        pred rf = random forest.predict(x test)
        random forest score = random forest.score(x test, y test) * 100
In [ ]: print("Decision Tree Score: ", decision tree score)
       print("Random Forest Score: ", random_forest_score)
      Decision Tree Score: 99.91340045452974
      Random Forest Score: 99.94970625308443
In [ ]: import itertools
        from collections import Counter
        import sklearn.metrics as metrics
        from sklearn.metrics import classification report, confusion matrix, ConfusionMatrixDisplay
        TP(Decision Tree) ~ TP(Random Forest) so no competetion here. FP(Decision Tree) >> FP(Random Forest) - Random Forest has an
        edge TN(Decision Tree) < TN(Random Forest) - Random Forest is better here too FN(Decision Tree) ~ FN(Random Forest)
In [ ]: print("TP,FP,TN,FN - Decision Tree")
        tn, fp, fn, tp = confusion matrix(y test, pred dt).ravel()
        print(f'True Positives: {tp}')
        print(f'False Positives: {fp}')
        print(f'True Negatives: {tn}')
        print(f'False Negatives: {fn}')
        print("-----")
        print("TP,FP,TN,FN - Random Forest")
        tn, fp, fn, tp = confusion matrix(y test, pred rf).ravel()
        print(f'True Positives: {tp}')
        print(f'False Positives: {fp}')
        print(f'True Negatives: {tn}')
       print(f'False Negatives: {fn}')
      TP, FP, TN, FN - Decision Tree
      True Positives: 1104
      False Positives: 586
      True Negatives: 1270318
      False Negatives: 516
      TP, FP, TN, FN - Random Forest
      True Positives: 1099
      False Positives: 119
      True Negatives: 1270785
      False Negatives: 521
        TP(Decision Tree) ~ TP(Random Forest) so no competetion here. FP(Decision Tree) >> FP(Random Forest) - Random Forest has an
        edge TN(Decision Tree) < TN(Random Forest) - Random Forest is better here too FN(Decision Tree) ~ FN(Random Forest)
        Here Random Forest looks good.
In [ ]: confusion matrix dt = confusion matrix(y test, pred dt.round())
        print("Confusion Matrix - Decision Tree")
        print(confusion_matrix_dt,)
        print("-----")
        confusion_matrix_rf = confusion_matrix(y_test, pred_rf.round())
        print("Confusion Matrix - Random Forest")
        print(confusion_matrix_rf)
      Confusion Matrix - Decision Tree
       [[1270318
                   5861
       [ 516
                   1104]]
       ______
      Confusion Matrix - Random Forest
      [[1270785
                   119]
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                 109911
In [ ]: classification_report_dt = classification_report(y_test, pred_dt)
        print("Classification Report - Decision Tree")
        print(classification report dt)
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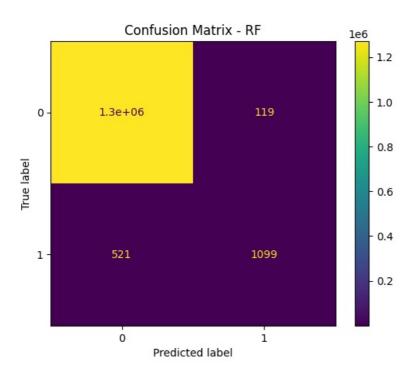
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classification report rf = classification report(y test, pred rf)
 print("Classification Report - Random Forest")
 print(classification_report_rf)
Classification Report - Decision Tree
              precision recall f1-score
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                                                 1620
   accuracy
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                                              1272524
  macro avg
                  0.83
                            0.84
                                       0.83
                                             1272524
weighted avg
                  1.00
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                                             1272524
Classification Report - Random Forest
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                          recall f1-score
                                              support
                             1.00
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   accuracy
                             0.84
  macro avg
                  0.95
                                       0.89
                                              1272524
weighted avg
                  1.00
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                                       1.00
                                              1272524
```

With Such a good precision and hence F1-Score, Random Forest comes out to be better as expected.

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In [ ]: disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=confusion_matrix_dt)
    disp.plot()
    plt.title('Confusion Matrix - DT')
    plt.show()

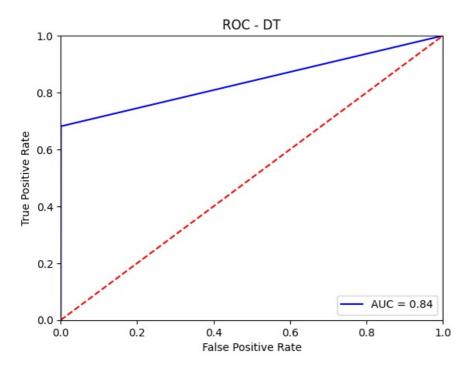
disp = ConfusionMatrixDisplay(confusion_matrix=confusion_matrix_rf)
    disp.plot()
    plt.title('Confusion Matrix - RF')
    plt.show()
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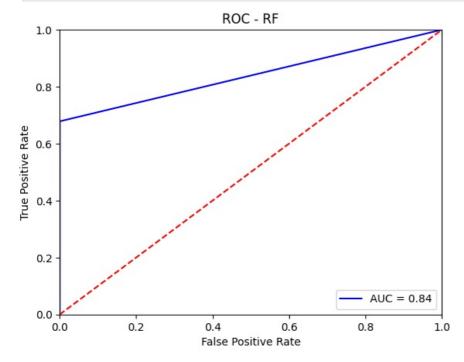
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In [58]: fpr, tpr, threshold = metrics.roc_curve(y_test, pred_dt)
    roc_auc = metrics.auc(fpr, tpr)

plt.title('ROC - DT')
    plt.plot(fpr, tpr, 'b', label = 'AUC = %0.2f' % roc_auc)
    plt.legend(loc = 'lower right')
    plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'r--')
    plt.xlim([0, 1])
    plt.ylim([0, 1])
    plt.ylabel('True Positive Rate')
    plt.xlabel('False Positive Rate')
    plt.show()
```



```
In [59]: fpr, tpr, threshold = metrics.roc_curve(y_test, pred_rf)
    roc_auc = metrics.auc(fpr, tpr)

plt.title('ROC - RF')
    plt.plot(fpr, tpr, 'b', label = 'AUC = %0.2f' % roc_auc)
    plt.legend(loc = 'lower right')
    plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], 'r--')
    plt.xlim([0, 1])
    plt.ylim([0, 1])
    plt.ylabel('True Positive Rate')
    plt.xlabel('False Positive Rate')
    plt.show()
```



THE AUC for both Decision Tree and Random Forest is equal, so both models are pretty good at what they do.

Conclusion -

We have seen that Accuracy of both Random Forest and Decision Tree is equal, although teh precision of Random Forest is more. In a fraud detection model, Precision is highly important because rather than predicting normal transactions correctly we want Fraud transactions to be predicted correctly and Legit to be left off. If either of the 2 reasons are not fulfilled we may catch the innocent and leave the culprit. This is also one of the reason why Random Forest and Decision Tree are used unstead of other algorithms.

Also the reason I have chosen this model is because of highly unbalanced dataset (Legit: Fraud :: 99.87:0.13). Random forest makes multiple decision trees which makes it easier (although time taking) for model to understand the data in a simpler way since Decision Tree makes decisions in a boolean way.

Models like XGBoost, Bagging, ANN, and Logistic Regression may give good accuracy but they won't give good precision and recall values.

What are the key factors that predict fraudulent customer?

- 1. The source of request is secured or not?
- 2. Is the name of organisation asking for money is legit or not?
- 3. Transaction history of vendors.

They make sense because:

- 1. Source security is key in identifying potential unauthorized access or data breaches.
- 2. Organization legitimacy helps confirm that the entity asking for money is who it claims to be.
- 3. Transaction history can reveal red flags such as vendors with abnormal activities, which could indicate fraudulent behavior.

What kind of prevention should be adopted while company update its infrastructure?

- 1. Use smart vertified apps only.
- 2. Browse through secured websites.
- 3. Use secured internet connections (USE VPN).
- 4. Keep your mobile and laptop security updated.
- 5. Don't respond to unsolicited calls/SMS.
- 6. If you feel like you have been tricked or security compromised, contact your bank immidiately.

Assuming these actions have been implemented, how would you determine if they work?

- 1. Bank sending E-statements.
- 2. Customers keeping a check of their account activity.
- 3. Always keep a log of your payments.

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