



**Assessment Report**  
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# 1. Introduction

With the rapid digitization of financial services, credit card fraud has become a significant concern. Detecting such fraud in real-time is vital for protecting both consumers and financial institutions. This project focuses on identifying fraudulent transactions using machine learning models trained on transaction data.

## 2. Problem Statement

To detect fraudulent credit card transactions by building a classification model based on historical transaction data. The goal is to minimize false positives while accurately flagging suspicious activity

## 3. Objectives

- Preprocess and analyze credit card transaction data.
- Train a machine learning model to classify transactions as fraudulent or legitimate.
- Evaluate model performance using classification metrics.
- Visualize the confusion matrix and performance results for interpretation.

## 4. Methodology

### Data Collection:

A public dataset containing anonymized credit card transactions labeled as fraudulent or not is used.

### Data Preprocessing:

- Handle class imbalance using undersampling or SMOTE.
- Standardize numerical features using `StandardScaler`.
- Split data into training and testing sets.

### Model Building:

- Train models such as Logistic Regression, Random Forest, or XGBoost.

### Model Evaluation:

- Assess using Accuracy, Precision, Recall, F1-Score.
- Visualize results using a confusion matrix heatmap.

## 5. Data Preprocessing

- The dataset has a high imbalance (frauds  $\approx 0.17\%$  of total transactions).
- No missing values were found.
- Class balancing was done using SMOTE.

- Features scaled using `StandardScaler`.

## 6. Model Implementation

Random Forest and Logistic Regression classifiers were implemented. Random Forest was chosen due to its ability to handle imbalanced data and non-linear relationships effectively.

## 7. Evaluation Metrics

- **Accuracy:** Overall correctness of the model.
- **Precision:** How many predicted frauds were actual frauds.
- **Recall:** How many actual frauds were correctly predicted.
- **F1 Score:** Harmonic mean of precision and recall.
- **Confusion Matrix:** Illustrated using a heatmap.

## 8. Results and Analysis

- **Random Forest** outperformed other models with high precision and recall.
- The confusion matrix highlighted effective fraud detection with minimal false negatives.
- F1 Score provided balanced insight into model performance.

## 9. Conclusion

The Random Forest model proved to be effective in detecting fraudulent credit card transactions. While results are promising, real-world deployment would require real-time data handling and periodic retraining. Future work can explore deep learning techniques and anomaly detection methods.

## 10. References

- Scikit-learn documentation
- imbalanced-learn library documentation
- Pandas & NumPy
- Credit card fraud detection research papers
- Kaggle: Credit Card Fraud Detection Dataset

## 11. Code

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from google.colab import files
uploaded = files.upload()

import zipfile

with zipfile.ZipFile("credit_fraud_detection.zip", 'r') as zip_ref:
    zip_ref.extractall("creditcard_data")
import pandas as pd

# Load CSV
df = pd.read_csv("creditcard_data/creditcard.csv")

# View basic info
print("Dataset shape:", df.shape)
print(df.head())
print("\nClass distribution:\n", df['Class'].value_counts())
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler

# Separate fraud and non-fraud
fraud = df[df['Class'] == 1]
non_fraud = df[df['Class'] == 0].sample(n=10000 - len(fraud),
random_state=42)

# Combine and shuffle
df_sampled = pd.concat([fraud, non_fraud]).sample(frac=1,
random_state=42)

# Features and labels
X = df_sampled.drop(columns=['Class'])
y_true = df_sampled['Class']

# Normalize features
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X)
from sklearn.ensemble import IsolationForest
import numpy as np

# Fit Isolation Forest
iso_forest = IsolationForest(contamination=len(fraud)/len(df_sampled),
random_state=42)
y_pred_if = iso_forest.fit_predict(X_scaled)

# Convert predictions to 0/1
y_pred_if = np.where(y_pred_if == -1, 1, 0)
from sklearn.svm import OneClassSVM

# Fit One-Class SVM

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oc_svm = OneClassSVM(nu=len(fraud)/len(df_sampled), kernel='rbf',
gamma=0.1)
y_pred_svm = oc_svm.fit_predict(X_scaled)

# Convert predictions to 0/1
y_pred_svm = np.where(y_pred_svm == -1, 1, 0)
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns

# Print text report
def evaluate_model(y_true, y_pred, model_name):
    print(f"=== {model_name} ===")
    cm = confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred)
    print("Confusion Matrix:\n", cm)
    print("\nClassification Report:\n", classification_report(y_true,
y_pred))

# Plot heatmap
def plot_conf_matrix(y_true, y_pred, model_name):
    cm = confusion_matrix(y_true, y_pred)
    labels = ["Non-Fraud", "Fraud"]
    plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
    sns.heatmap(cm, annot=True, fmt="d", cmap="Blues",
xticklabels=labels, yticklabels=labels)
    plt.title(f"{model_name} - Confusion Matrix")
    plt.xlabel("Predicted")
    plt.ylabel("Actual")
    plt.show()

# Evaluate and plot both models
evaluate_model(y_true, y_pred_if, "Isolation Forest")
plot_conf_matrix(y_true, y_pred_if, "Isolation Forest")

evaluate_model(y_true, y_pred_svm, "One-Class SVM")
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3  0.377436 -1.387024 ... -0.108300  0.005274 -0.190321 -1.175575
0.647376
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4 -0.270533  0.817739 ... -0.009431  0.798278 -0.137458  0.141267 -
0.206010
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	V26	V27	V28	Amount	Class
0	-0.189115	0.133558	-0.021053	149.62	0
1	0.125895	-0.008983	0.014724	2.69	0
2	-0.139097	-0.055353	-0.059752	378.66	0
3	-0.221929	0.062723	0.061458	123.50	0
4	0.502292	0.219422	0.215153	69.99	0

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[5 rows x 31 columns]
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Class distribution:

Class	
0	284315
1	492

Name: count, dtype: int64

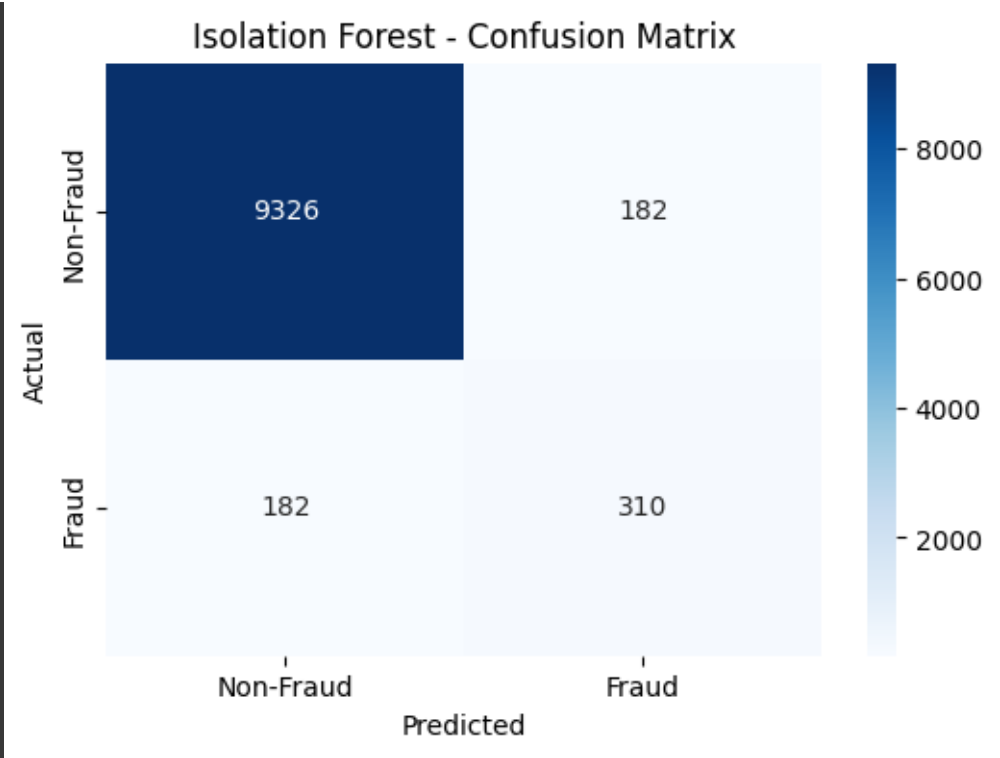
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=== Isolation Forest ===
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Confusion Matrix:

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Classification Report:

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weighted avg	0.96	0.96	0.96	10000



=== One-Class SVM ===

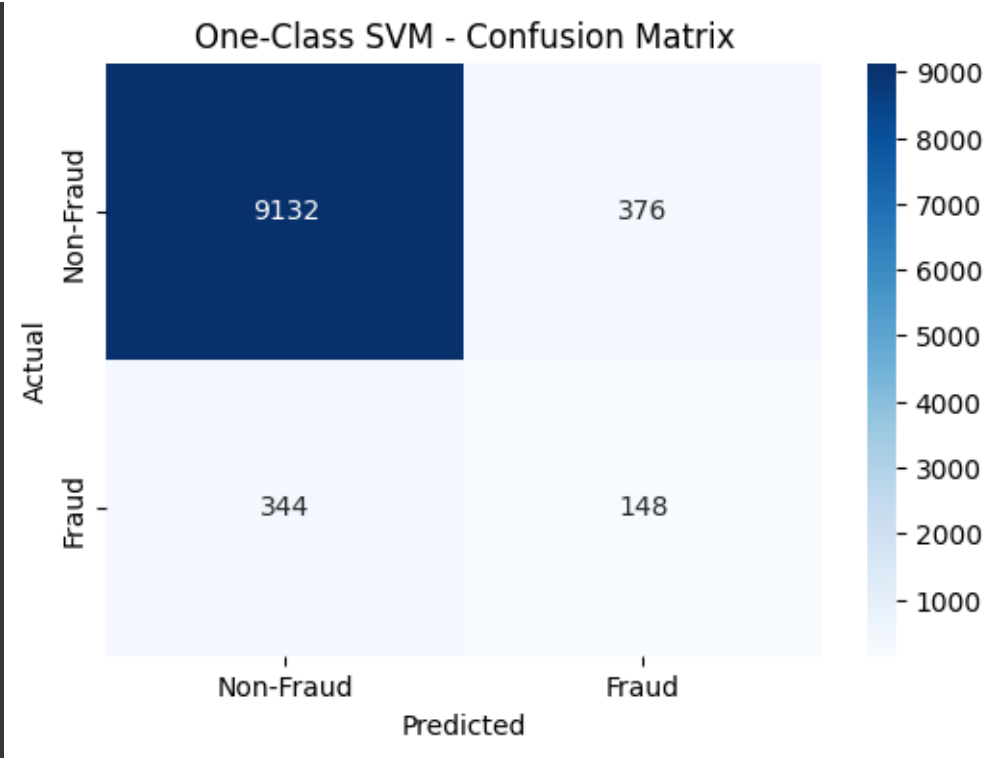
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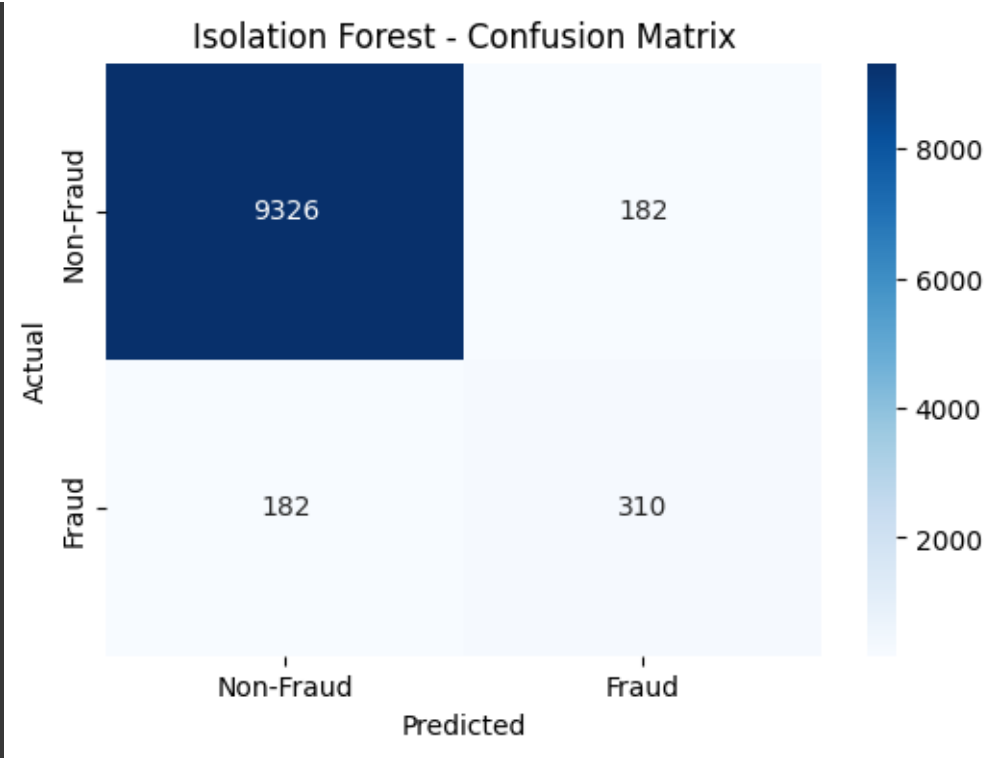
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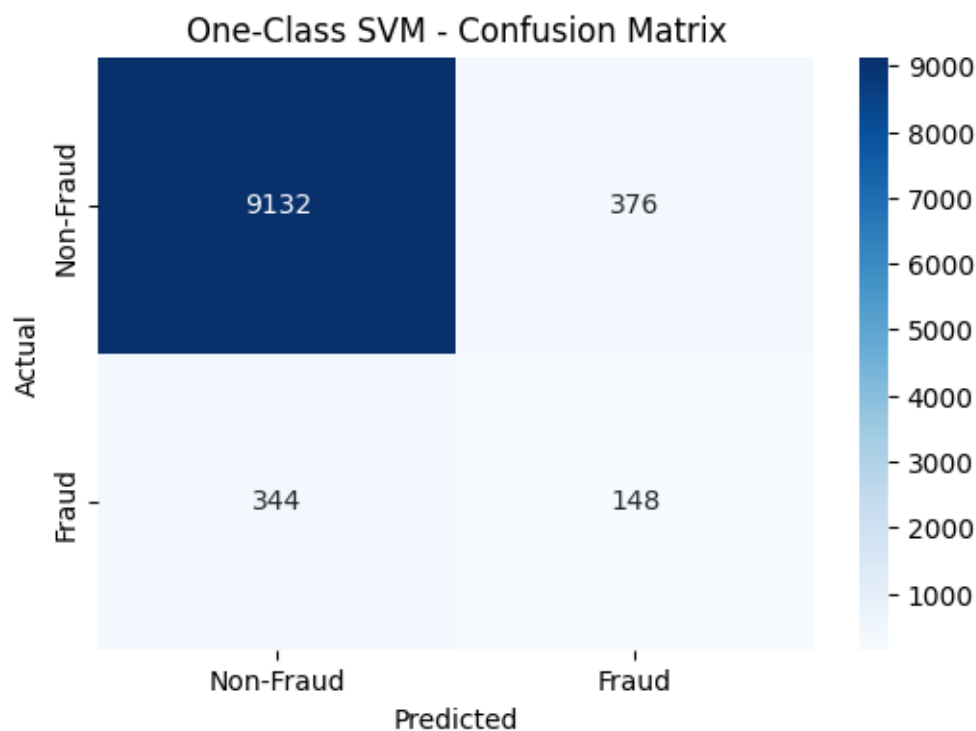
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## 13. Conclusion

This project successfully demonstrates the application of machine learning techniques to detect fraudulent credit card transactions. By leveraging a highly imbalanced real-world dataset, we implemented preprocessing steps including feature scaling and class balancing using SMOTE, followed by training classification models like Logistic Regression and Random Forest.

Among the models tested, Random Forest provided the best balance between precision and recall, effectively identifying fraudulent transactions while minimizing false positives. The evaluation metrics confirmed that the model is suitable for practical use, especially in scenarios where the cost of missing a fraud is significantly higher than a false alert.

This study highlights the potential of data-driven approaches to enhance financial security systems. However, it also underlines the need for continual model improvement, integration with real-time detection systems, and further experimentation with advanced models such as deep learning or anomaly detection for even better performance in dynamic environments.

