

Project Timeline

November 3, 2023

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| Week Number | Status Update | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| Milestones | | | | Mentor Status Update | Proposal Due | | | Mentor Status Update | Meet with VT Advisor | Mentor Status Update | Capstone Work Day | Practice Pres. | Practice Pres. |
| Formulate business problem | Complete | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Find data set | Complete | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Perform literature review | On-Track | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Solution hypothesis | On-Track | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Implement solution | At Risk | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Preliminary results | N/A | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Final Results | N/A | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Evaluate and Benchmark | N/A | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Presentation Prep | N/A | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Indicate:
Complete
On Track
At Risk
Off Track

Capstone Proposal: Bank Account Fraud Detection

| Project Name | | Modeling Requirements | |
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| Business Understanding | Our team is aiming to detect bank account fraud detections by evaluating a variety of variables related to financial status, personal identification, and payment patterns. We will uncover the answers to questions such as: 1. Which factors should be prioritized when monitoring bank account fraud? 2. Which predictors affect fraud detection the most? 3. Are there trends for the frequency of fraud types? | Data Type | CSV file: numeric & categorical variables |
| | | Data Source | Kaggle: Bank Account Fraud |
| | | Data Preparation Steps | Look at distributions, patterns and correlations. Apply appropriate filters for outliers Deal with null values. Standardize variables. Address class imbalance. Train & test split, SMOTE |
| Client/Project Motivation | Our clients are banks and financial institutions. Bank account fraud costs companies millions of dollars every year and creating a proactive approach towards bank account fraud detection may help cut costs and increase awareness of fraud factors or triggers. | Data Challenges | Target class imbalance, identifying column features such as ambiguous features, limited labeled data |
| Market /Industry | Finance, Banking, Insurance | Modeling Techniques | Classification: - Logistic Regression - Decision Trees with ensemble methods |
| State of the Art | Our team plans to make our model state of the art by incorporating logistic regression and building out additional features that other models are currently not considering. | Target Variable | Fraud (1) or no fraud (0) |
| Success Metrics (Evaluation) | Our team will evaluation success by examining precision, recall, confusion matrix, accuracy rates, ROC and AUC scores. | Regression or Classification problem | Classification |
| Scalability | The team will build scalability into the model throughout the development stage by experimenting with data set size and varying feature counts to increase the likelihood of continued effectiveness. Employing Logistic Regression as well will improve performance. | Tools/Methodologies | Pandas, SkLearn, NumPy |

Status Update

Provide update/reminder on the goal of the project for the client here



What we did in last two weeks



Finalized Capstone Topic & Datasets

The team narrowed down a capstone project and found a dataset from Kaggle to leverage



Submit Proposal and Employ VT Advisor Feedback

The Capstone Proposal was created and finalized



Deloitte Mentor Check-ins

Met with Deloitte advisor to discuss progress and potential roadblocks



Task Assignments

Assigned responsibilities per team member

What we will accomplish in next two weeks



Schedule Regular Team Meetings

Continue updating project timeline and roles and responsibilities



Continue Individual EDA & Model Creation

Begin joining datasets, and sanitizing data and employing ML methods



Begin Model Creation

Finalize EDA and begin employing ML techniques for model creation

Roles and Responsibilities

Pengwei Wang: EDA and progress updates

Hadley Campbell: EDA and progress updates

Brian Rodriguez : EDA and progress updates

Payton Stauble: EDA and progress updates