

1. Transactions:

- Query on the same users are using the same device fingerprint or not

```
-- check if many users are using the same device fingerprint
select userID,
       count(*) as txn_count,
       sum(case when userChargeAmount = 0 then 1 else 0 end) as zero_amount_txns,
       min(reqDate) as first_txn,
       max(reqDate) as last_txn
from transaction
group by userID
having txn_count >= 5 and (zero_amount_txns >= 3);
```

- 8 users made more than 5 actions or made no payment in a short periods
- Next action: we will check whether they used the same IP or device model or not?

```
select userID, deviceID, platform, osVer, deviceModel, userIP
from transaction
where userID in ('0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8', 'acd6b370d43843dc12aab97dfa39583e', '4219acfb75a28586e9d86f727bade1',
'e0c979e16e7cf1eedf92846ccc1bc789', '9a1256c59ef6c5b0fde46b6024c9d119',
'477db45ec864a1bfb73a7c08572b297b', 'd48fe5ad11427ce4422316efe57af8bd', 'db6b865ee81111bbbae46e3233db71f3');
```

userID	deviceID	platform	osVer	deviceModel	userIP
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8					
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8					
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8					
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8					
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8					

-> 53 rows returns

0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8 - 10 rows

4219acfb75a28586e9d86f727bade1 - 5 rows

477db45ec864a1bfb73a7c08572b297b - 7 rows

9a1256c59ef6c5b0fde46b6024c9d119 - 9 rows

Acd6b370d43843dc12aab97dfa39583e - 5 rows

D48fe5ad11427ce4422316efe57af8bd - 5 rows

Db6b865ee81111bbbae46e3233db71f3 - 5 rows

E0c979e16e7cf1eedf92846ccc1bc789 - 7 rows

The results reveals that: same deviceId (669083EAA6629B91B3932B6E5F12DD59)x2 with the userIP (171.248.159.136) across the multiple users

→ several users logging in or transacting from the same deviceIP

Notice that the userID such as 0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8, 477db45ec864a1bfb73a7c08572b297b, 9a1256c59ef6c5b0fde46b6024c9d119, E0c979e16e7cf1eedf92846ccc1bc789 are having signs of bot-driven abuse because of being repeated many times.

Besides, it is recorded that almost **deviceId** column has missing or empty values across multiple accounts, meaning that:

- the system couldn't track the device
- the bot can be intentionally hiding device data

Next step: we will find deviceFingerprint shared across multiple accounts?

So why deviceFingerprint? – Because bot often reuse the same device environment to perform like creating fake accounts, claiming promotions repeatedly or triggering actions quickly. Otherwise, normal people often have their own unique phone/device or at least different combinations of device properties.

```
22 -- find deviceFingerprints shared across multiple accounts
23 • SELECT
24     CONCAT(COALESCE(deviceID, ''), '_', COALESCE(platform, ''), '_', COALESCE(osVer, ''), '_', COALESCE(deviceModel, '')) AS deviceFingerprint,
25     COUNT(DISTINCT userID) AS user_count,
26     COUNT(*) AS total_txns,
27     MIN(cashbackTime) AS first_cashback,
28     MAX(cashbackTime) AS last_cashback
29 FROM transaction
30 GROUP BY deviceFingerprint
31 HAVING user_count >= 3
32 ORDER BY user_count DESC;
33
34
```

deviceFingerprint	user_count	total_txns	first_cashback	last_cashback
_platform1__	169	252		
__	157	259	6/1/2022	6/1/2022
_platform3__	4	4		

If more than 3 users share the same exact deviceFingerprint and cashback behavior, they are highly likely automated.

From the result, we can see that '*platform 1*' and '-----' are mismatching, it can be bot behavior. However, we need to confirm on some information of each platform.

***Platform 1:

```
34 • select
35     userID,
36     userIP,
37     campaignID,
38     userChargeAmount,
39     reqDate,
40     cashbackTime
41 from transaction
42 where concat(coalesce(deviceID,''),'_', coalesce(platform,''),'_', coalesce(osVer,''),'_',coalesce(deviceModel,'')) = '_platform1__'
43 order by reqDate;
44
```

	userID	userIP	campaignID	userChargeAmount	reqDate	cashbackTime
▶	5bd285dff683393e0e66a1af741c53ee	0	5000	6/1/2022		
	55518b7065aaad14678e574f5676d830	0	6316	6/1/2022		
	57ace8e5331c4d0a08e7b515903d09a1	0	5000	6/1/2022		
	490a57e8e31b87c5bbefff8183fcded9	0	5000	6/1/2022		
	635eb346e972d56a5aa528b8ddc4ad15	0	6316	6/1/2022		
	832380e8ed8ec9772ebf3915752fe6aa	0	5000	6/1/2022		

transaction 37 x

➔ 252 rows returned

From the result, *userIP*, *campaignID* and *cashbackTime* are almost blank, implying that information is hidden due to bot or automation.

Normally, *userIP* is a line of numbers (eg: 14.191.228.77) instead of 0/blank, meaning that there are surely signs of bot-driven abuse.

```
45 • select
46     userIP,
47     count(distinct userID) as num_users,
48     sum(userChargeAmount) as total_charged,
49     min(reqDate) as first_req,
50     max(reqDate) as last_req
51 from transaction
52 where concat(coalesce(deviceID,''),'_',coalesce(platform,''),'_',coalesce(osVer,''),'_',coalesce(deviceModel,'')) = '_platform1__'
53 group by userIP
54 order by total_charged desc;
```

	userIP	num_users	total_charged	first_req	last_req
▶		169	19592395	6/1/2022	6/1/2022

Abnormal behavior in *platform 1* also reveals through the amount deducted from transactions. In this case, unknown *userIP* supports the motion that bot is screaming the device and many *campaignID* and stole a quite large amount of **19592395 (169/252 users)**.

Moreover, within a day, these accounts were created so that the total charged are huge for these quite new accounts.

****Platform '-----':

```
58 • select
59     userID,
60     userIP,
61     campaignID,
62     userChargeAmount,
63     reqDate,
64     cashbackTime
65 from transaction
66 where concat(coalesce(deviceID,''),'_', coalesce(platform, ''), '_ ', coalesce(osVer, ''), '_ ', coalesce(deviceModel, '')) = '___'
67 order by reqDate;
```

Result Grid					
Filter Rows:					
Export:					
Wrap Cell Content:					
userID	userIP	campaignID	userChargeAmount	reqDate	cashbackTime
6144f675fe4190f53ec47737eeb234a3		9080	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022
c61762d442ed8ad86a429f1f9a8d51bf		12432	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022
f0656e613ed22e72d3428c885e9da0f5		12433	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022
f0656e613ed22e72d3428c885e9da0f5		12432	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022
a3fc828e6680b29fe2ee29cab85505f4		9080	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022

➔ 259 rows

Like platform 1, userIP is missing, userChargeAmount is recorded of 0, but campaignID are identical at some transactions.

We can suspect the bot due to:

- Lack of userIP is abnormal
- userChargeAmount = 0, it can be that bot is testing or triggering spam the campaigns
- campaignID is repeatedly, it can be that bot is repeating a campaign to gain more rewards

```
69 • select
70     userIP,
71     count(distinct userID) as num_users,
72     sum(userChargeAmount) as total_charged,
73     min(reqDate) as first_req,
74     max(reqDate) as last_req
75 from transaction
76 where concat(coalesce(deviceID,''),'_', coalesce(platform, ''), '_ ', coalesce(osVer, ''), '_ ', coalesce(deviceModel, '')) = '___'
```

Result Grid				
Filter Rows:				
Export:				
Wrap Cell Content:				
userIP	num_users	total_charged	first_req	last_req
	157	0	6/1/2022	6/1/2022

2. Map card

Case 1: the same users repeated mapping requests

```

93  -- check if many users are mapping requests
94  • select *
95  from (select
96      userID,
97      count(*) as total_requests,
98      sum(case when requestStatus = 1 then 1 else 0 end) as successful_requests,
99      sum(case when requestStatus <> 1 then 1 else 0 end) as failed_requests
100  from map_card
101  group by userID
102  having count(*) >=5 and sum(case when requestStatus = 1 then 1 else 0 end) = 0 ) as sub
103  order by failed_requests asc;
104
105

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Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:
userID	total_requests	successful_requests	failed_requests
b73ab84ed75bd3d6cfbd97ce95309b9c	6	0	6
366f97ff2f63a807e96c1b2e4eb406ca	6	0	6
4e5d8ec3c12722a68635597a32854fc4	6	0	6
3daad30162a99d253190d45f7d6fb3f8	6	0	6
8aec31a7d0aa4a570a8393173e155fee	6	0	6

➔ 60 rows

Case 2: many users are requesting mapping in many times per day

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105  -- check if many users are requesting mapping in many times per day
106  • select
107      userID,
108      reqDate,
109      count(*) as total_requests,
110      sum(case when requestStatus = 1 then 1 else 0 end) as failed_requests
111  from map_card
112  group by userID, reqDate
113  having count(*) >= 3 and sum(case when requestStatus = 1 then 1 else 0 end) = 0
114  order by failed_requests asc;

```

Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:
userID	reqDate	total_requests	failed_requests

➔ No sign

Case 3: Analyze according to bimID

```

117 • select
118     bimID,
119     count(distinct userID) as user_count,
120     sum(case when requestStatus = 1 then 1 else 0 end) as success_count
121 from map_card
122 group by bimID
123 having user_count >= 2 and success_count = 0
124 order by user_count asc;
125

```

Result Grid | Filter Rows: | Export: | Wrap Cell Content: |

	bimID	user_count	success_count
▶	39dc60c6ee7ca21312444166bd2bec8f	2	0
	56d342964a02c90b5b5991fe8f750d3e	2	0
	5fdf6cb722c99020f6c49f977c493898	2	0
	ae204a5d8a7c48165a5ddf44d92e8a89	2	0
	afdd0103949e4cf6f1dfec35638cc607	2	0

Result 34 x

Many users use the same bimID but failed, we observe that there are 8 cases of being attacked

3. User profile

We will detect shared devices in user profile

```

128 -- check if shared devices in user profile
129 • select phone_provider, count(distinct userID) as user_count
130 from user_profile
131 group by phone_provider
132 having count(distinct userID) >=5;
133
134

```

Result Grid | Filter Rows: | Export: | Wrap Cell Content: |

	phone_provider	user_count
▶	7	124
	7001	5
	7002	5
	7020	6
	7021	6
	7023	6
	7025	5

Result 4 x

- ➔ Bot-driven possibility
- ➔ We will find out which userID? (in file excel)

```

134 • with filtered_provider as (
135     select phone_provider, count(distinct userID) as user_count
136     from user_profile
137     group by phone_provider
138     having count(distinct userID) >5
139 ),
140 shared_device as
141 (select deviceID
142  from transaction
143  group by deviceID
144  having count(distinct userID)>1
145 ),
146 user_shared_device as (
147     select up.userID, up.phone_provider, count(distinct t.deviceID) as share_device_count
148     from user_profile up
149     join transaction t on up.userID = t.userID
150     join shared_device sd on t.deviceID = sd.deviceID
151     join filtered_provider fp on up.phone_provider = fp.phone_provider
152     group by up.userID, up.phone_provider
153 )
154 select userID, phone_provider, share_device_count
155 from user_shared_device
156 order by phone_provider, userID;

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Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:
userID	phone_provider	share_device_count	

Result 26 x

For deviceID, no sign of sharing.

4. Referral_mapping:

In the referrap_mapping, we will observe the userID and refereeid in 2 aspects of bot-driven abuse signs:

Case 1: Abnormally high daily referral volume

→ to find users sending unusual number of referrals in a single day

```

207 -- check the abnormally high daily referral volume
208 • select userID, reqDate, count(*) as daily_referral_count
209 from referral_mapcard
210 group by userID, reqDate
211 having daily_referral_count > 10; -- no bot detected
212

```

Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:
userID	reqDate	daily_referral_count	

(positive) – no sign of bot/automation

Case 2: Daily referral streaks

Bot may send referrals every single day – unlike normal users

```

176 -- check if bot may send referral every single day
177 • select userID, count(distinct reqDate) as active_days
178 from referral_mapcard
179 group by userID
180 having active_days > 3;
181

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Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:
userID	active_days		
0446c341a9756cede989fb03a30203a8	8		
2cf86e0ca892dc6712b65541e0523f85	5		
5b9008b34e646b27d4f839a5806301f8	4		
810ab3f18ace731b6d81d6f96323dea8	4		
f45574b03d02356238cbe06268144535	4		
fe4ce77fee80c0e298faec18c7e3d83a	4		

These referrals are possible of being bot-driven abuse, however, based on the *active_days* we can observe more about user *0446** and *2cf8** because of the high possibility.

5. Transfer

First of all, we will observe the transfer among senders/receivers


```

164 • select
165     sender,
166     count(distinct receiver) as referral_count,
167     date(reqDate) as transaction_date,
168     count(*) as transaction_count,
169     sum(amount) as total_amount
170 from transfer
171 group by sender, date(reqDate)
172 having count(distinct receiver) > 20
173 order by sender, transaction_date desc; -- transfer among senders/receivers repeatedly
174

```

sender	referral_count	transaction_date	transaction_count	total_amount
116d80d7669176073fbb1a991a6ce958	42	2022-06-06	269	46168011
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	44	2022-06-08	51	542000
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	79	2022-06-07	136	1667500
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	113	2022-06-06	178	1647000
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	84	2022-06-05	150	1028300
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	88	2022-06-04	143	1216000
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	68	2022-06-03	111	1008000
256f5d267816966c1060f5117d7e06bb	105	2022-06-02	214	2170000

Result 62 x

➔ 40 rows returns

Noticeably sender 256f*, 4ad9*, 583b*, d11e*

```

181     -- count unique mutual pairs and estimate loss from loop patterns
182 • with mutual_referrals as (
183     select
184         least(a.sender, a.receiver) as user1,
185         greatest(a.sender, a.receiver) as user2
186     from transfer a
187     join transfer b
188         on a.sender = b.receiver
189         and a.receiver = b.sender
190     group by
191         least(a.sender, a.receiver),
192         greatest(a.sender, a.receiver)
193 )

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194     select
195         count(*) as mutual_pair_count,
196         count(*) * 100000 as estimated_loss
197     from mutual_referrals;

```

Result Grid	Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell C
	mutual_pair_count	estimated_loss	
▶	3057	305700000	

Since we detect the loop patterns, the estimated_loss is 305,700,000.

6. Campaign

Here, we will analyze based on campaign code ZPI_220801_115 and information from transactions:

1- Analyze transactions patterns for abuse

```

219  -- analyze transaction patterns for abuse
220  with campaign_transactions as (
221      select
222          t.userID,
223          t.deviceID,
224          t.userIP,
225          t.reqDate,
226          t.amount,
227          t.discountAmount,
228          t.cashbackTime,
229          t.campaignID
230      from transaction t
231      join campaigninfo ci on t.campaignID = ci.campaignID
232      where ci.campaignCode = 'ZPI_220801_115'
233             and t.transStatus = 1)
234  select

```

Result Grid		Filter Rows:	Export:	Wrap Cell Content:				
userID	deviceID	userIP	transaction_count	first_transaction	last_transaction	total_amount	total_discount	cashback_count
43925d969c461257782aa7cd5bab21ff			4	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	200000	200000	1
ec7659ba7e522e3f7e44c62411c96251			4	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	200000	200000	1
20e4b79d8f9c091aa7f89396c87ae22f			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1
95e42a212b759fe73480fa4900f1404e	aa9319...	113.1...	3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	624290	60000	1
05e3ffb2bc6608534cbc44dbb0e376ee			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1
0b6f34720d5a67b2eee9b22a986684c0			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1
974f839cfdc8219e19ea351e9d7a07b0			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1
9e33664d68a6bdf48bdfc5d769e63828			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1
3771972b52fe4c08d345d61fc383b955	2e2948...	42.11...	3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	251275	70000	1

Result 70 x

```

234     select
235         userID,
236         deviceID,
237         userIP,
238         count(*) as transaction_count,
239         min(reqDate) as first_transaction,
240         max(reqDate) as last_transaction,
241         sum(amount) as total_amount,
242         sum(discountAmount) as total_discount,
243         count(distinct cashbackTime) as cashback_count
244     from campaign_transactions
245     group by userID, deviceID, userIP
246     having count(*) > 1
247     order by transaction_count desc;

```

Result Grid									
Filter Rows: <input type="text"/> Export: Wrap Cell Content: <input type="text"/>									
userID	deviceID	userIP	transaction_count	first_transaction	last_transaction	total_amount	total_discount	cashback_count	
43925d969c461257782aa7cd5bab21ff			4	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	200000	200000	1	
ec7659ba7e522e3f7e44c62411c96251			4	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	200000	200000	1	
20e4b79d8f9c091aa7f89396c87ae22f			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1	
95e42a212b759fe73480fa4900f1404e	aa9319...	113.1...	3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	624290	60000	1	
05e3ffb2bc6608534cbc44dbb0e376ee			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1	
0b6f34720d5a67b2ee9b22a986684c0			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1	
974f839cfdc8219e19ea351e9d7a07b0			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1	
9e33664d68a6bdf48bdfc5d769e63828			3	6/1/2022	6/1/2022	150000	150000	1	

Result 70 x

Output

#	Time	Action	Message
84	16:44:51	SELECT ci.campaignCode -- Test if this column is accessible FROM campaign_info ci WHERE ci.campaig...	Error Code: 1146. Table 'mapping_user.campaign_info' doesn't exist
85	16:45:55	with campaign_transactions as (select t.userID, t.deviceID, t.userIP, t.reqDate, t.amount, ...	56 row(s) returned

Then we will calculate total amount for suspended abusive transactions

```



250 • with campaign_transactions as (
251     select
252         t.userID,
253         t.deviceID,
254         t.userIP,
255         t.reqDate,
256         t.amount,
257         t.discountAmount,
258         t.cashbackTime,
259         t.campaignID
260     from transaction t
261     join campaigninfo ci on t.campaignID = ci.campaignID
262     where ci.campaignCode = 'ZPI_220802_115'
263     and t.transStatus = 1

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264 ),
265 suspected_abuse as (
266     select
267         userID,
268         count(*) as transaction_amount,
269         coalesce(sum(amount),0) as total_amount,
270         coalesce(sum(discountAmount),0) as total_discount
271     from transaction
272     group by userID
273     having count(*) > 10)
274     select
275         sum(transaction_amount) as total_abusive_transactions,
276         sum(total_amount) as total_abusive_amount,
277         sum(total_discount) as total_abusive_discount
278     from suspected_abuse;
279
280

```





Result Grid			
Filter Rows: <input type="text"/>			
Export:  Wrap Cell Content: 			
	total_abusive_transactions	total_abusive_amount	total_abusive_discount
▶ 28	472000	0	

While running the campaign, there are 28 transactions having sign of being abusive, the estimated loss is 472,000.

```

280  -- 3. check deviceID and IP patterns
281  •  select
282      deviceID,
283      userIP,
284      count(distinct userID) as unique_users,
285      count(*) as transaction_count
286  from transaction t
287  join campaigninfo ci on t.campaignID = ci.campaignID
288  where ci.campaignCode = 'ZPI_220801_115'
289      and transStatus = 1
290  group by deviceID, userIP
291  having count(distinct userID) > 1
292  order by transaction_count desc;
293

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<div> <div>Result Grid</div> <div>   Filter Rows: <input type="text"/> </div> <div> Export:  </div> <div> Wrap Cell Content:  </div> </div>				
	deviceID	userIP	unique_users	transaction_count
▶			127	211