

Credit Card Transactions Fraud Detection Analysis

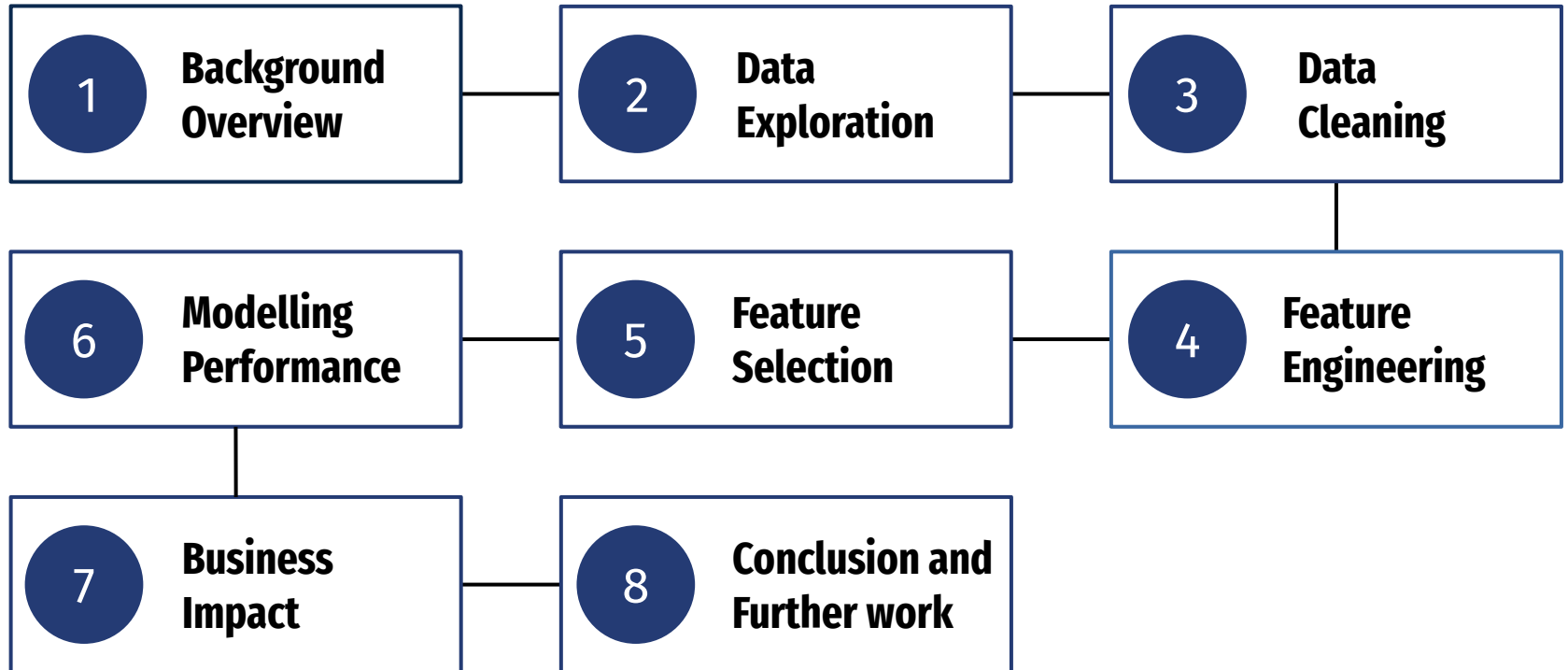
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Agenda



Background Overview

Rising Card Fraud Losses

From \$7.8B to almost \$35B in one decade



More Crooks In Pandemic

Fraudsters do not let an opportunity to slide especially when the country is shutdown



Cheap Credit Card Data

Crooks can steal thousands of dollars before detected

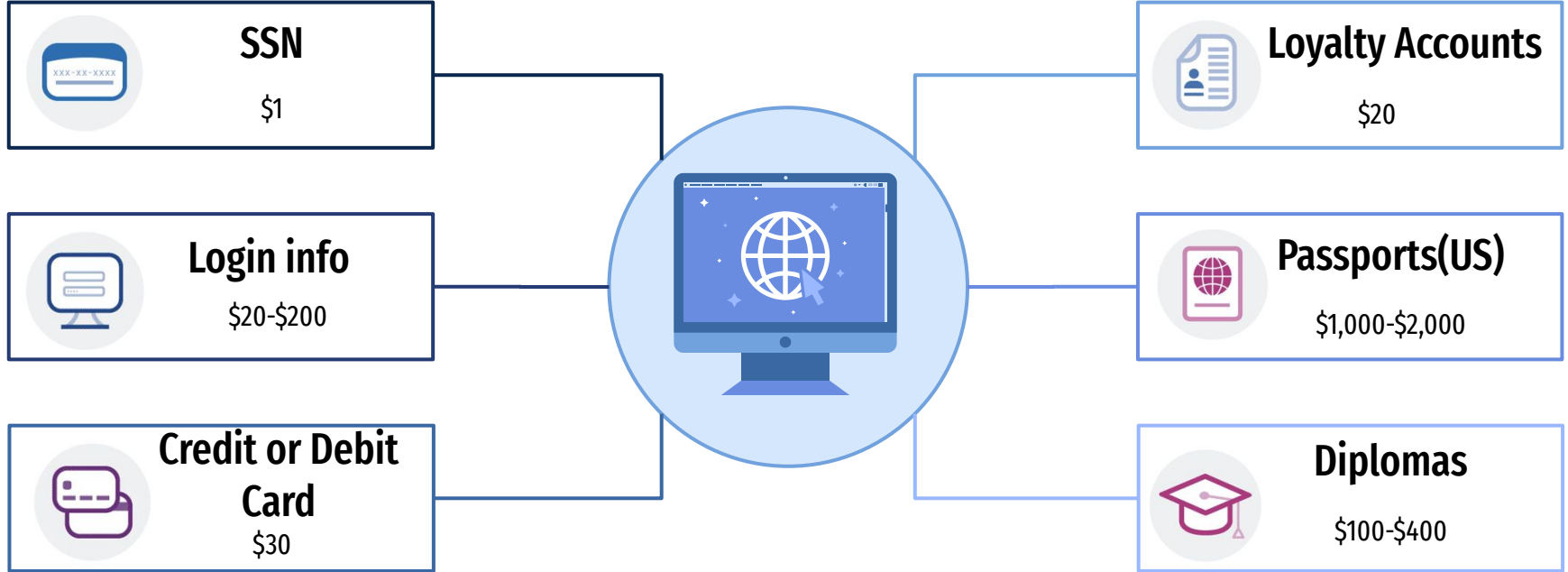


Card Fraud Worldwide
Global Losses in \$Bil. 2010-2020 with Cents per \$100 of Total Volume

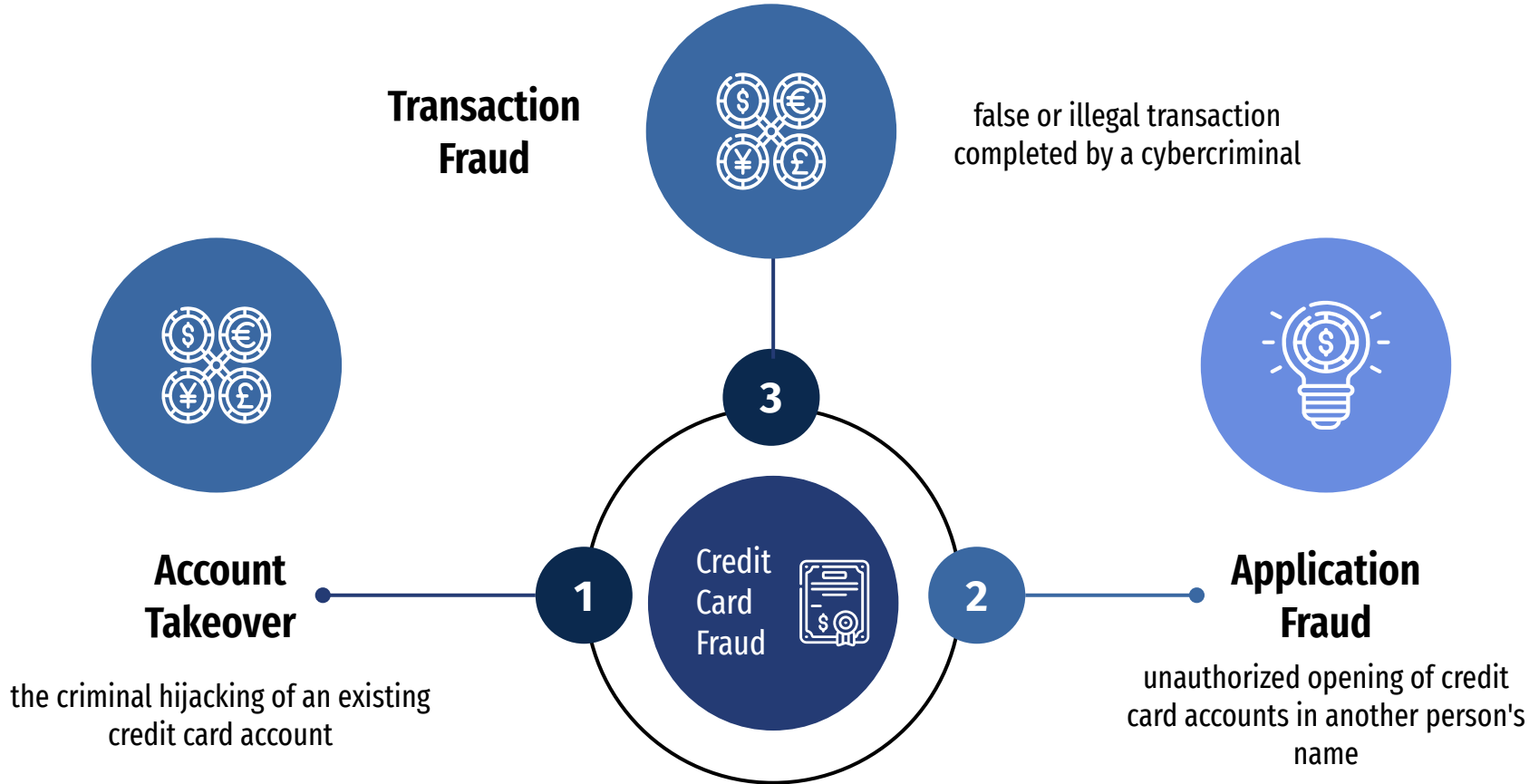


Card fraud global losses keep rising.
Till 2019, losses rocket up to \$32.82B.

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Credit Card Frauds



Motivations

**“ Eliminate 59.4% of the fraud
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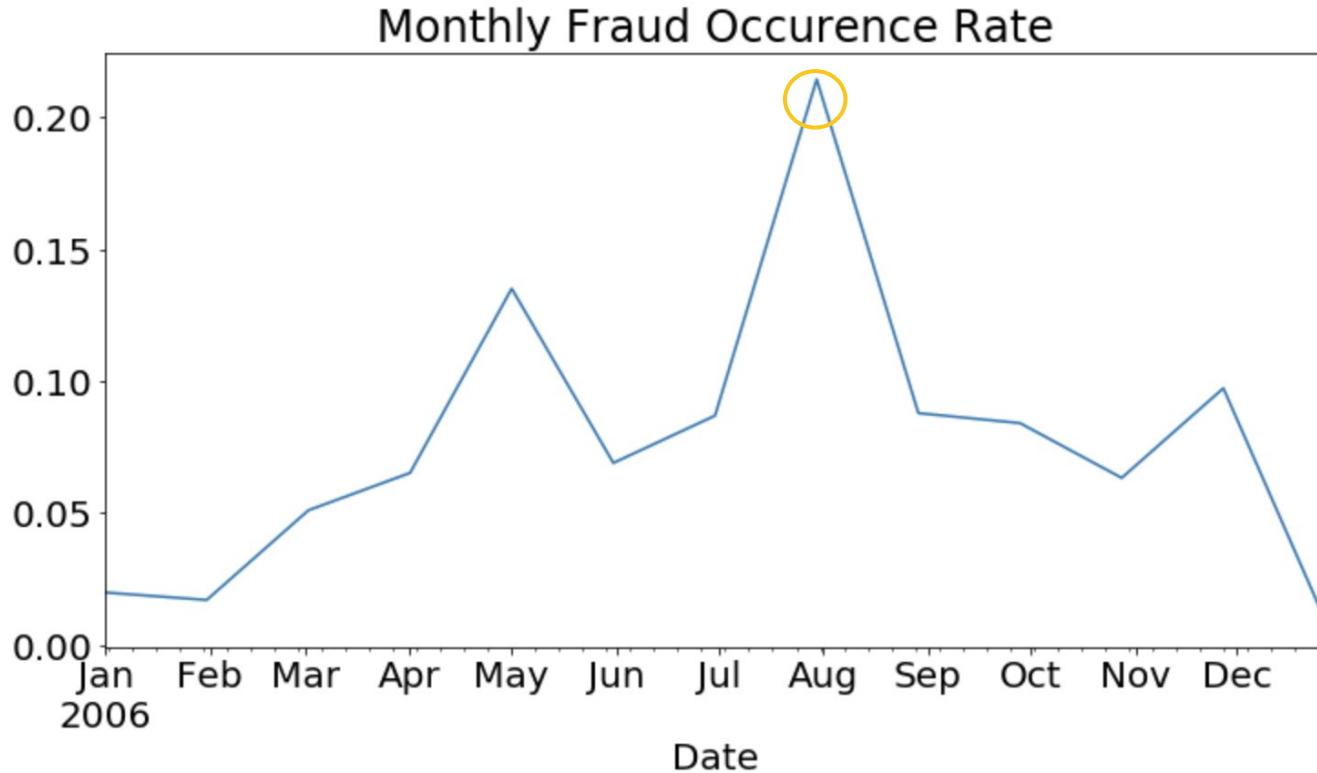
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save \$1.2 M annually

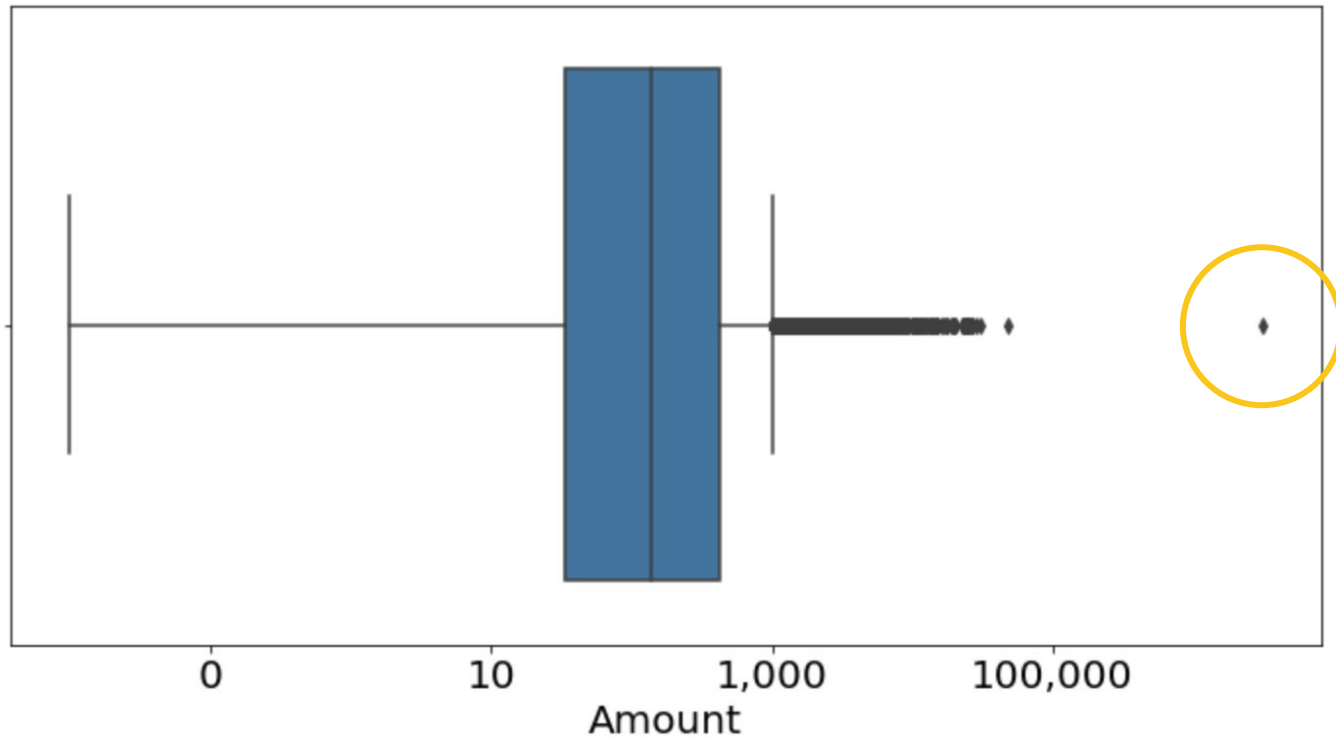
Data Exploration



Data Exploration— Numerical

Field Name	% Populated	Min	Max	Mean	Stdev	%Zero
Date	100%	2006-01-01	2006-12-31	N/A	N/A	0
Amount	100%	0.01	3,102,045.53	427.89	10,006.14	0

Data Exploration— Numerical



Data Exploration— Categorical

Field Name	% Populated	# Unique Values	Most Common Values
Recnum	100%	96,753	N/A
Cardnum	100%	1,645	5142148452
Merch description	100%	13,126	GSA-FSS-ADV
Transtype	100%	4	P
Fraud	100%	2	0
Merchnum	96.51%	13,091	930090121224
Merch state	98.76%	227	TN
Merch zip	95.19%	4,567	38118

Data Cleaning



Filtering

- Kept only the transaction type with "P"
- Removed the single high purchase record outlier



Filling in Merchnum

- Replaced 0 with NaN
- Mapped with the "Merch description"
- Filled in the left values with "Unknown"



Filling in Merch State

- Mapped with "Merch zip", "Merchnum" and "Merch description"
- Filled in the left values with "Unknown"



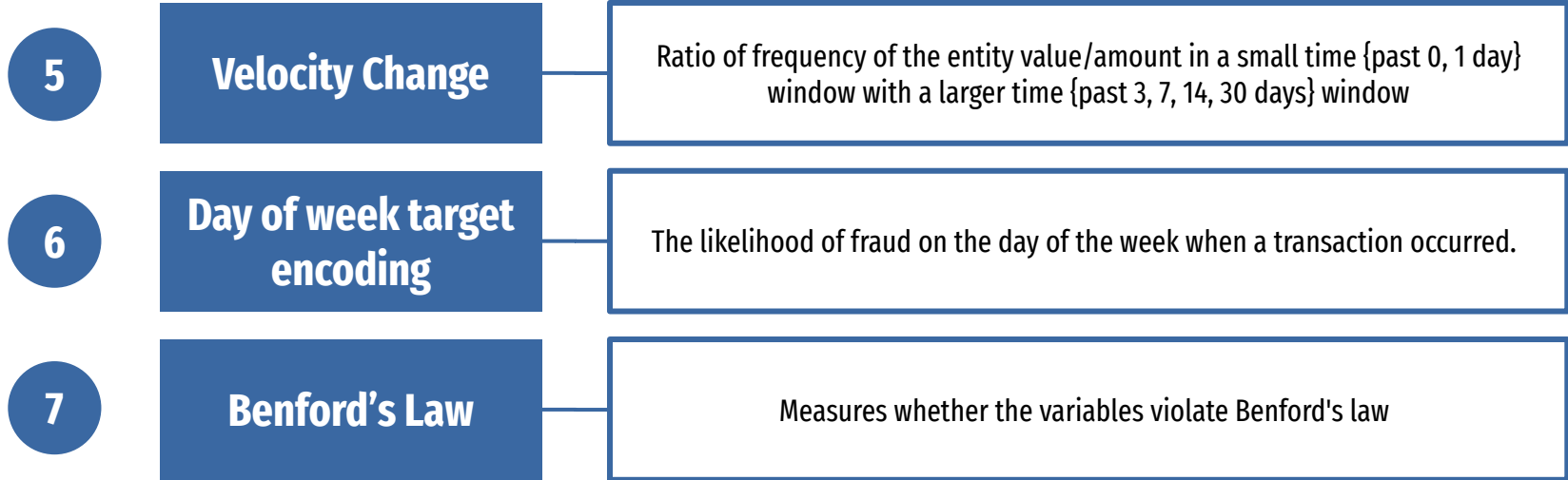
Filling in Merch Zip

- Mapped with the mode of "Merchnum", "Merch description"
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Feature Creation

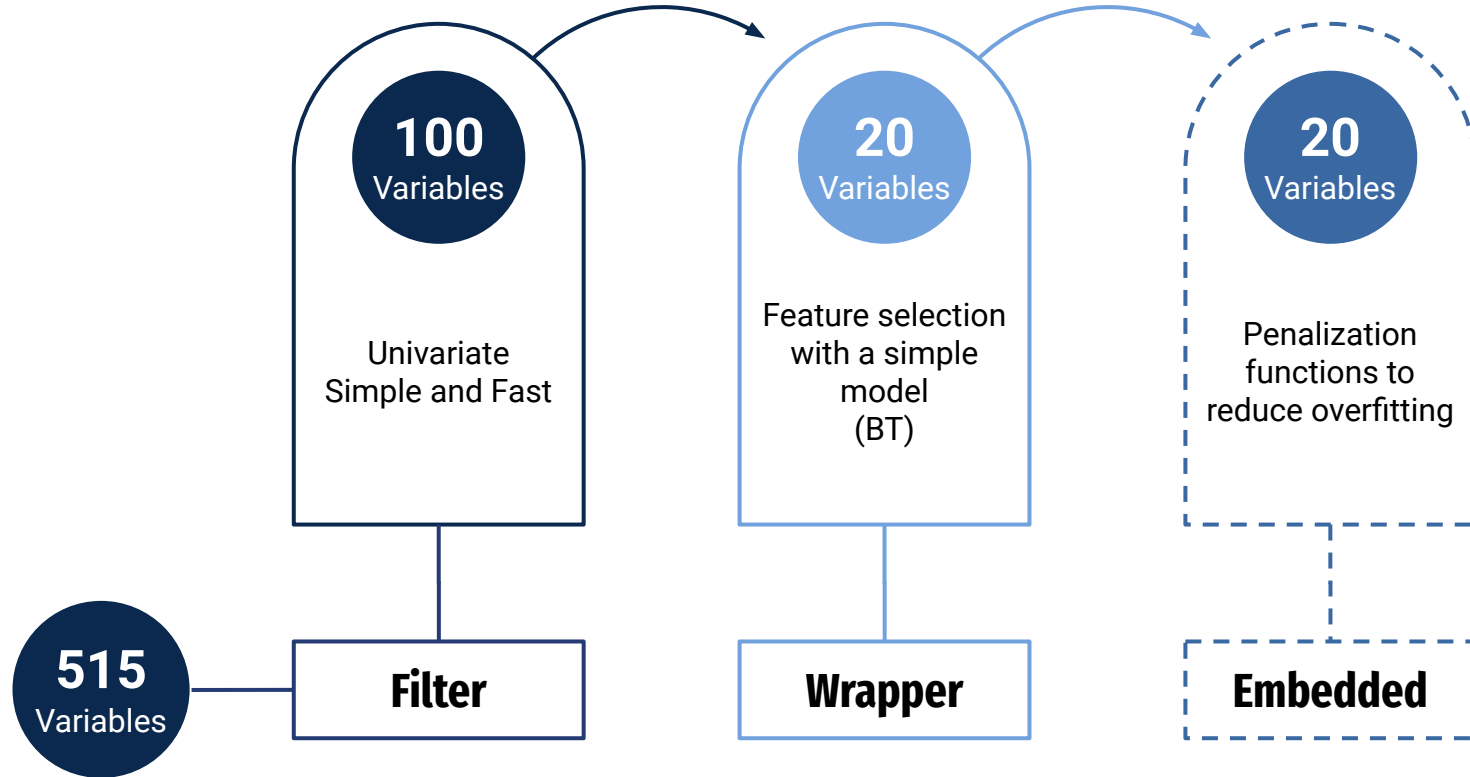
1	New Entities	<code>{'card_merch', 'card_state', 'card_zip', 'card_amount', 'merch_amount', 'merch_zip', 'merch_state'}</code>
2	Days-since	# Days since a transaction with the entity has been seen
3	Frequency	# Transaction at the entity over the past {0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 30} days
4	Amount	{Average, Maximum, Median, Total, Actual/average, Actual/maximum, Actual/median, Actual/total} amount at the entity over the past {0, 1, 3, 7, 14, 30} days.

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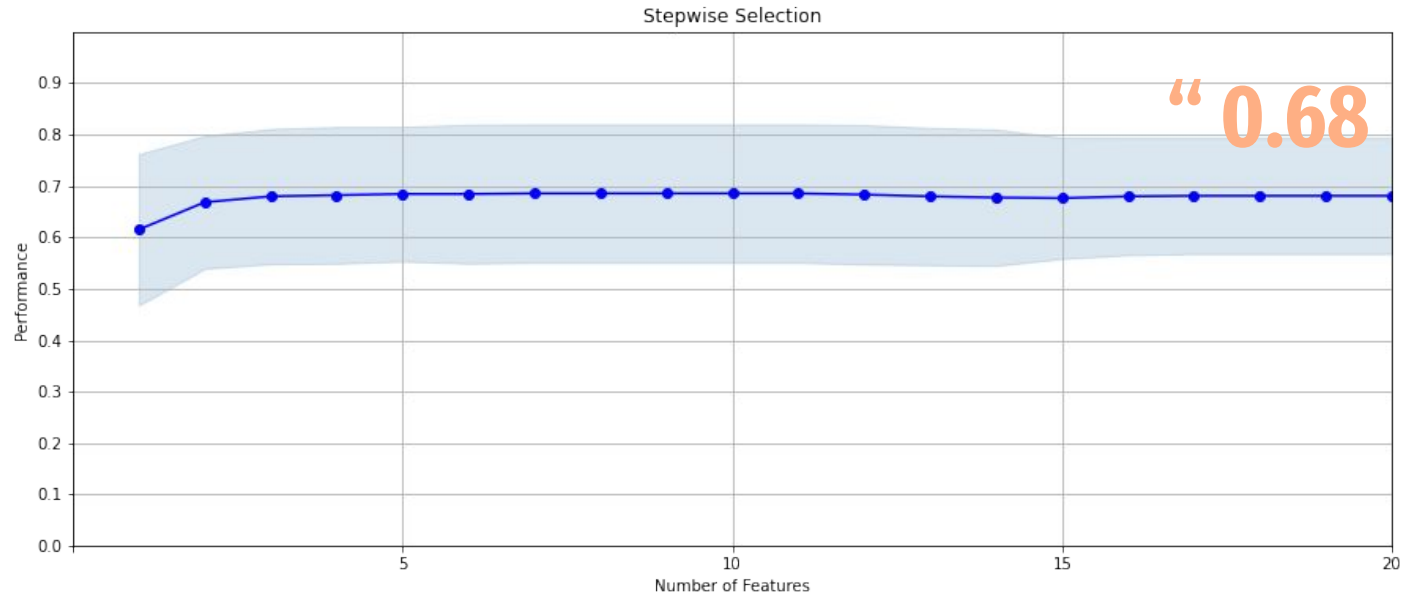


505 Variables Created in Total

Feature Selection – Process



Feature Selection – Performance



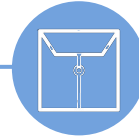
Feature Selection — Alternative Wrapper



Select K best

select the features
according to the
100 highest score

of Features: 20



Backward

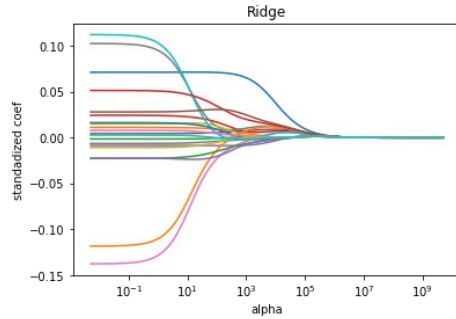
begins with a full
model and
eliminates
variables at each
step

of Features: 20

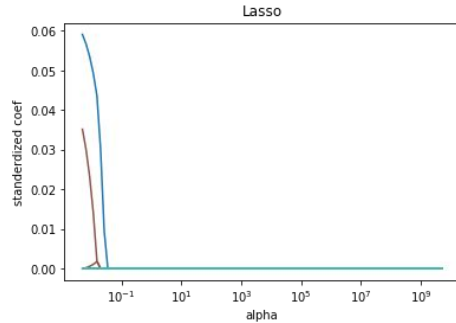
Feature Selection – Regularization

Ridge

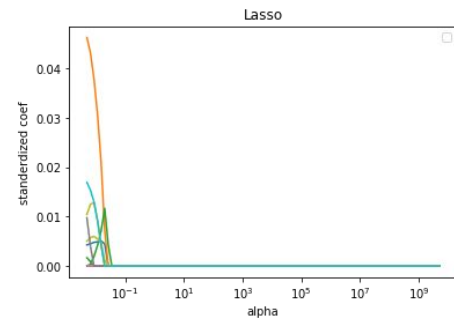
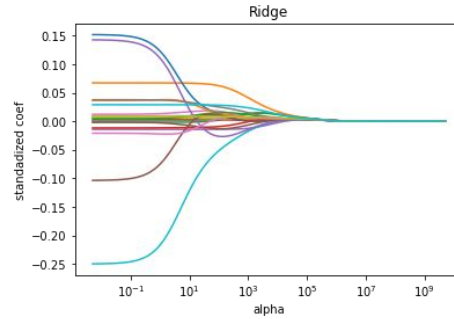
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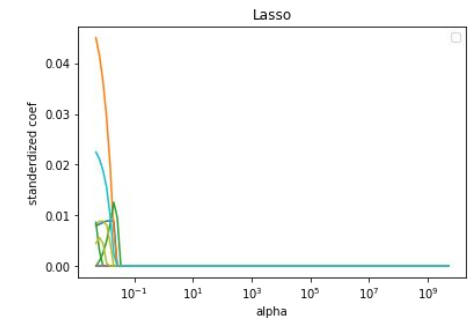
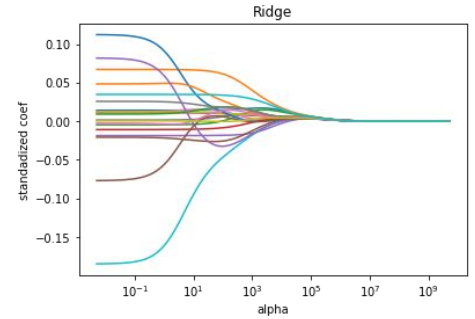
Lasso



Select K Best



Backward



Model – Process

Default Models

Try 10 classification algorithms for
different variable combinations
Separate data into trn / tst / oot

Variables

Use different variable sets
selected from different
feature selection methods



Hyperparameter Tuning

Choose a set of optimal
hyperparameters for our
best model

Model – Performance Comparison

% Fraud Detected at **3% FDR**

	Logistic Regression	Decision Tree	Random Forest	Boosted Tree	Gradient Boosting Tree	Cat Boost	XGBoost	KNN	SVM	NN
TRN	63.3	76.6	100	83.3	89.3	82.8	85.2	82.6	88.2	77.9
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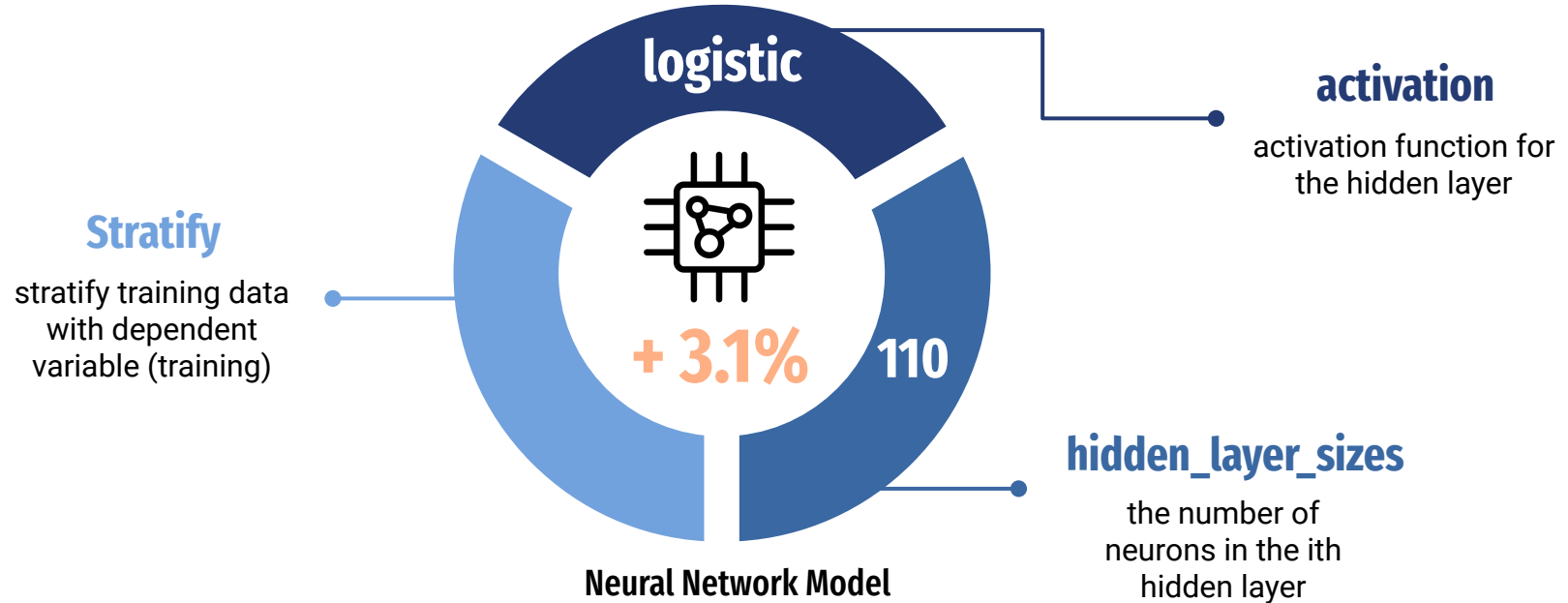
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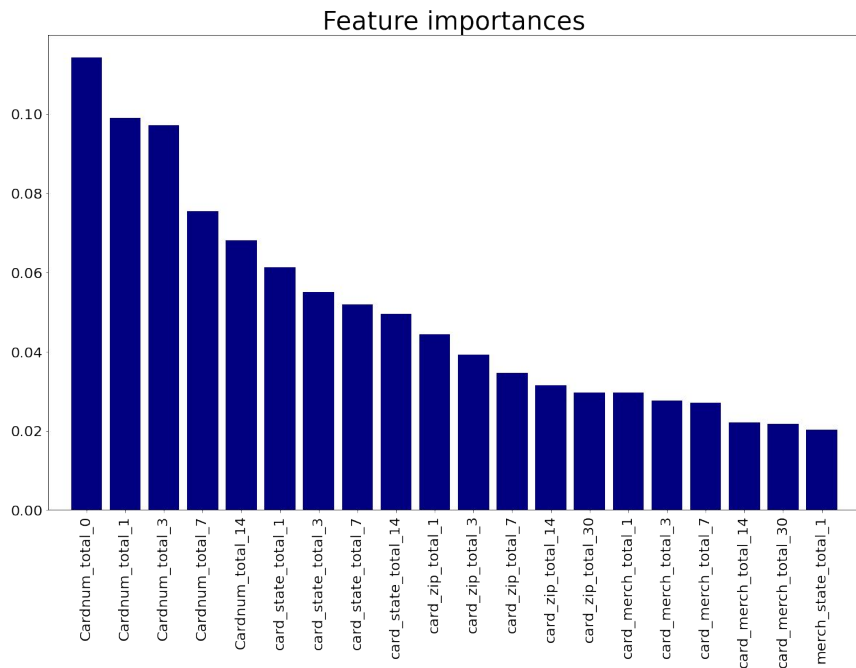
Model – Optimization

56.3%  59.4%

default tuned



Top Variables



Top 5

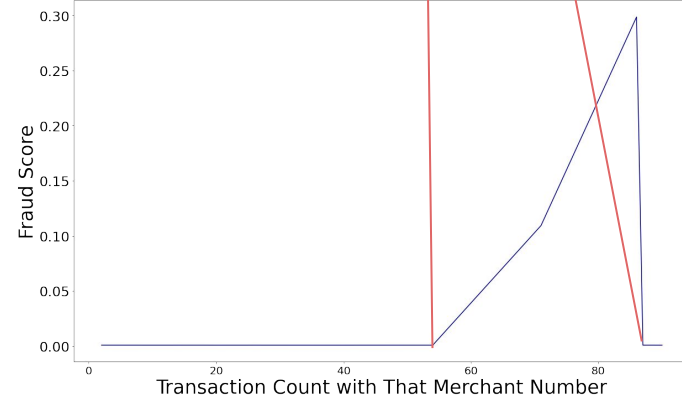
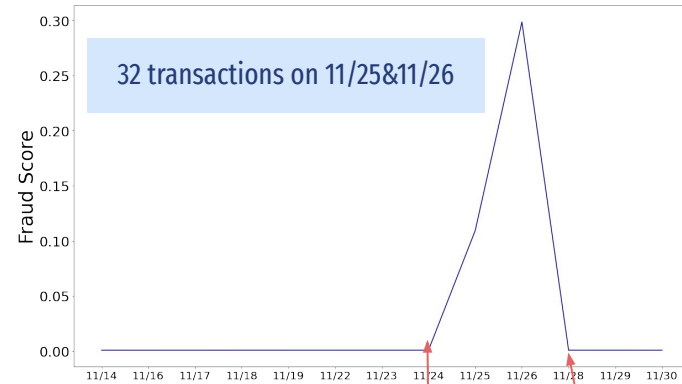
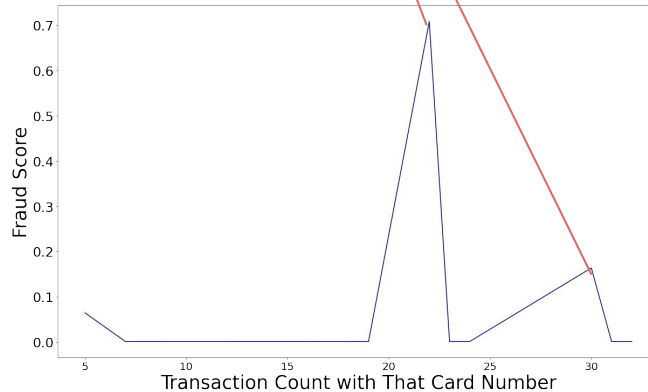
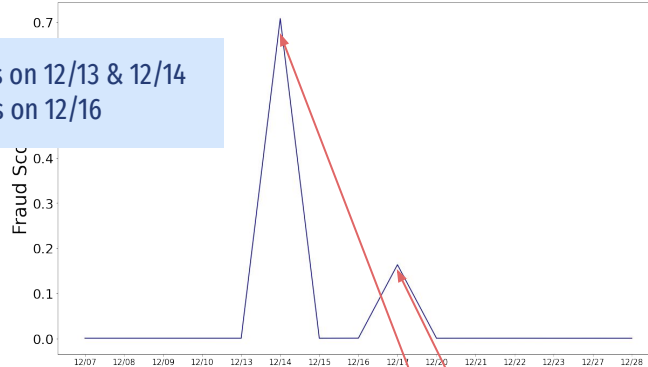
- 1 Cardnum_total_0
- 2 Cardnum_total_1
- 3 Cardnum_total_3
- 4 Cardnum_total_7
- 5 Cardnum_total_14

Time Dependence of Fraud Score

Cardnum = 5142134797

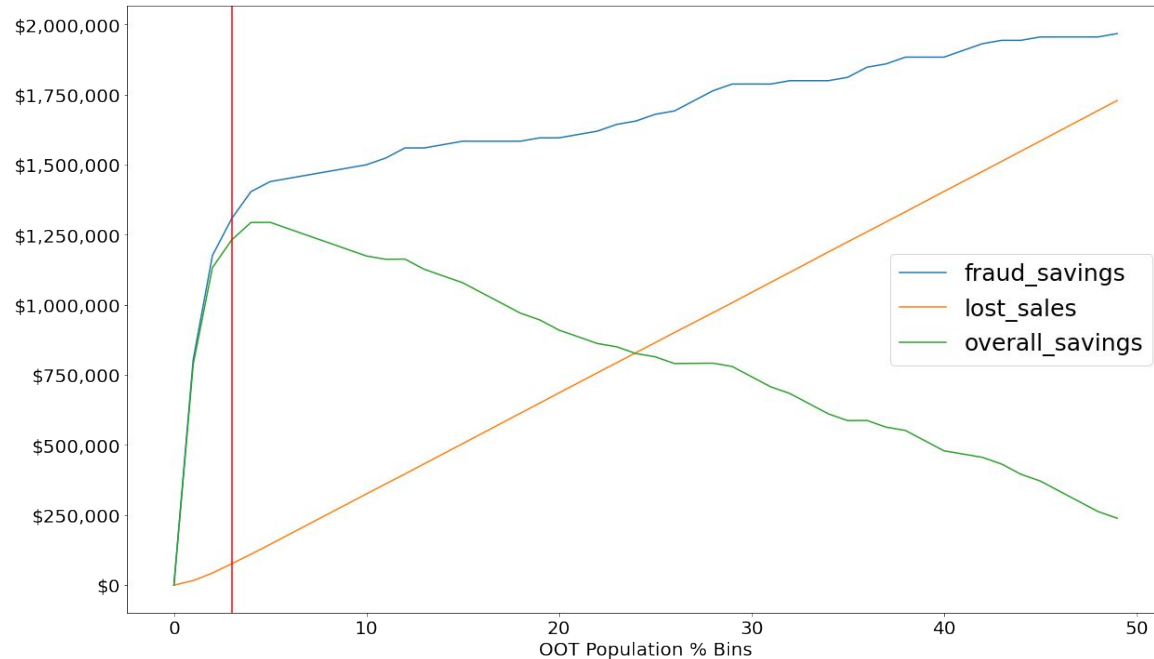
Merchnum = 4353000719908

- 5 transactions on 12/13 & 12/14
- 6 transactions on 12/16

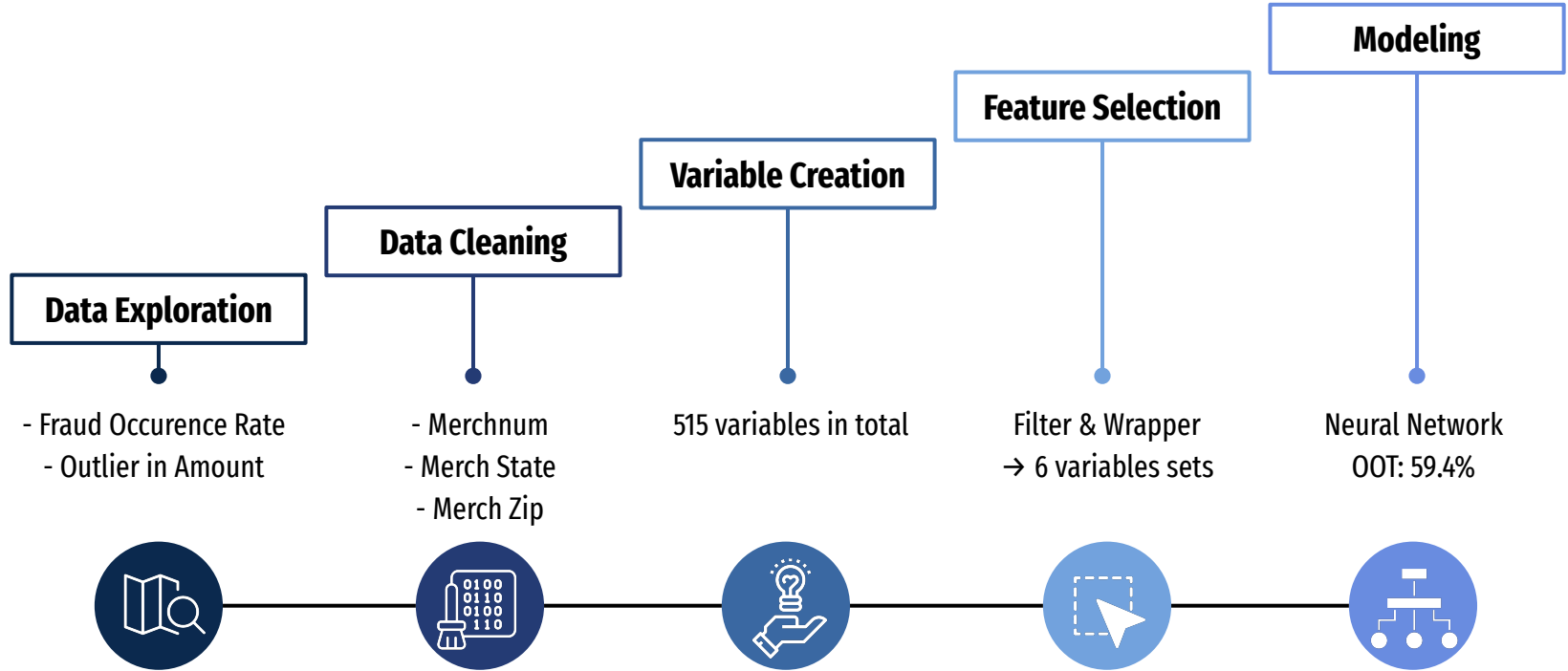


Financial Cutoff

Cutoff at 3%, expected annual savings = \$ 1.2 million



Conclusion



Areas to Improve

Domain Knowledge

Consult with domain experts



Imbalanced Data

Try undersampling or oversampling method (e.g, SMOTE)



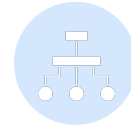
Feature Selection

Try different wrappers and algorithms



Machine Learning Algorithm

Unsupervised learning





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