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1) Executive summary

This project built an end-to-end fraud detection workflow for Adey Innovations Inc. covering:

- **E-commerce fraud** with **IP->country geolocation** enrichment and behavior/time features
- **Bank card fraud** with anonymized PCA features

The solution prioritizes imbalanced-learning best practices: stratified splits, train-only resampling, and AUC■PR/F1 evaluation.

2) Data understanding and business context

Fraud detection is highly imbalanced. Operationally:

- False positives reduce customer trust and increase support cost
- False negatives directly increase fraud losses

Therefore, we evaluate models beyond accuracy using **AUC■PR**, **F1**, and confusion matrices.

3) Task 1 - Data preprocessing & feature engineering

Cleaning

- Removed duplicates
- Fixed data types (timestamps/numerics)
- Managed missing values with practical imputations and safe drops for critical fields

Geolocation integration (Fraud_Data)

- Converted IP to integer
- Range-joined into `IpAddress_to_Country.csv`
- Assigned missing/invalid IPs to **Unknown**

Features (Fraud_Data)

- Time: `hour_of_day`, `day_of_week`, `time_since_signup_sec`
- Velocity: `user_txn_count_1h`, `user_txn_count_24h`
- Aggregates: user/device counts

Transformations

- Scaling: `StandardScaler`
- Encoding: `OneHotEncoder`
- Imbalance handling: **SMOTE on training data only**

4) Task 2 - Modeling & evaluation

Models:

- Baseline: Logistic Regression (interpretable)
- Ensemble: Random Forest

Validation:

- Stratified K-Fold CV (k=5)
- Test evaluation with AUC■PR / F1 / confusion matrix

Outputs:

- Metrics: `reports/task2_*_results.json`
- Models: `models/task2_*_.joblib`

5) Task 3 - Explainability (SHAP)

Explainability was added via SHAP:

- Global: SHAP beeswarm (top drivers)
- Local: SHAP waterfall for:
 - TP (true fraud caught)
 - FP (legitimate flagged)
 - FN (missed fraud)

Notebook:

- `notebooks/shap-explainability.ipynb`

6) Business recommendations (examples)

Use SHAP insights to propose operational rules. Example recommendations:

- 1) **High velocity shortly after signup**:
 - If transactions occur within a short time after signup and velocity spikes, require step-up verification (OTP/2FA).
- 2) **Country-risk based monitoring**:
 - Increase monitoring for countries that show higher fraud rates in geolocation analysis.
- 3) **Device/user mismatch patterns**:
 - Flag devices associated with many distinct users or users switching devices unusually often for additional checks.

These should be tuned to keep false positives manageable while reducing fraud loss.

7) How to reproduce

Install base deps:

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Task 1:

```
python -m scripts.task1_preprocess --dataset all
```

Task 2:

```
python -m scripts.task2_train --dataset all
```

Task 3:

```
pip install -r requirements-task3.txt
```

Then open:

- `notebooks/shap-explainability.ipynb`

Appendix: Auto-generated metrics

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```