Fraud Detection Analytics Report

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The Invisible War on Transactions

Fraud detection is the automated process of monitoring transaction data in real-time to identify unauthorized financial activity. Banks process millions of transactions per second. This report analyzes how institutions distinguish between a legitimate coffee purchase and a sophisticated cyber-attack.

99.9%

LEGITIMATE TRANSACTIONS

The needle in the haystack problem.

< 50ms

DECISION WINDOW

Time allowed to approve/block a swipe.

$32B+

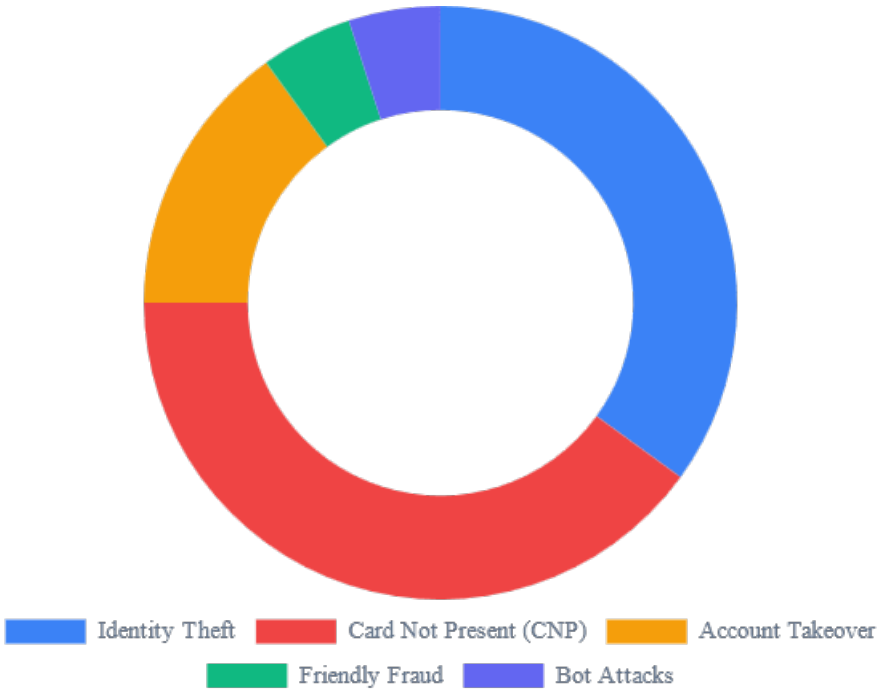
ANNUAL GLOBAL LOSSES

Source: Global Fraud Reports

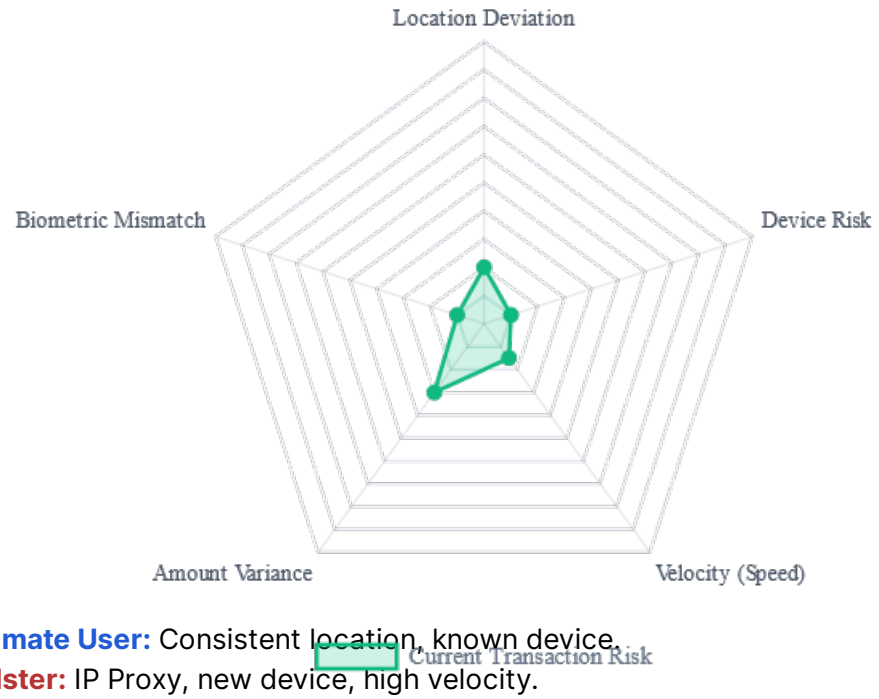
The Anatomy of Fraud

Understanding the enemy is the first step. Fraud isn't monolithic; it varies from crude account takeovers to sophisticated synthetic identity rings.

Distribution of Attack Vectors 2024 Data



The "Risk Fingerprint"



Legitimate User: Consistent location, known device.
Fraudster: IP Proxy, new device, high velocity.

How Detection Works: The Pipeline

Every time you swipe a card, a complex digital journey occurs in milliseconds. The following steps outline the filtering process.

1. Data Ingestion & Enrichment

Before any analysis happens, the system gathers raw data. It's not just 'Amount' and 'Merchant'. It includes **Device ID**, **IP Geolocation**, **Typing Speed** (Biometrics), and **Browser History**. This creates a 'contextual envelope' around the transaction.

2. The Rules Engine (Pre-Screening)

The first line of defense. Simple, binary logic checks that happen instantly. Examples:

- Is the card reported lost?
- Is the IP address on a known blacklist?
- Is the amount > User's daily limit?

If a transaction fails these hard checks, it is blocked immediately.

3. Machine Learning Models

The core intelligence. Neural networks compare this transaction against the user's historical profile and millions of global fraud patterns.

It asks complex questions: *'Even though the password is correct, does this user usually log in at 3 AM from a Linux device?'* It assigns a **Risk Score (0-100)**.

4. Decision Matrix

The final verdict based on the Risk Score.

Green (0-20): Approve instantly.

Yellow (21-80): Step-up Auth (Send SMS code) or Manual Review.

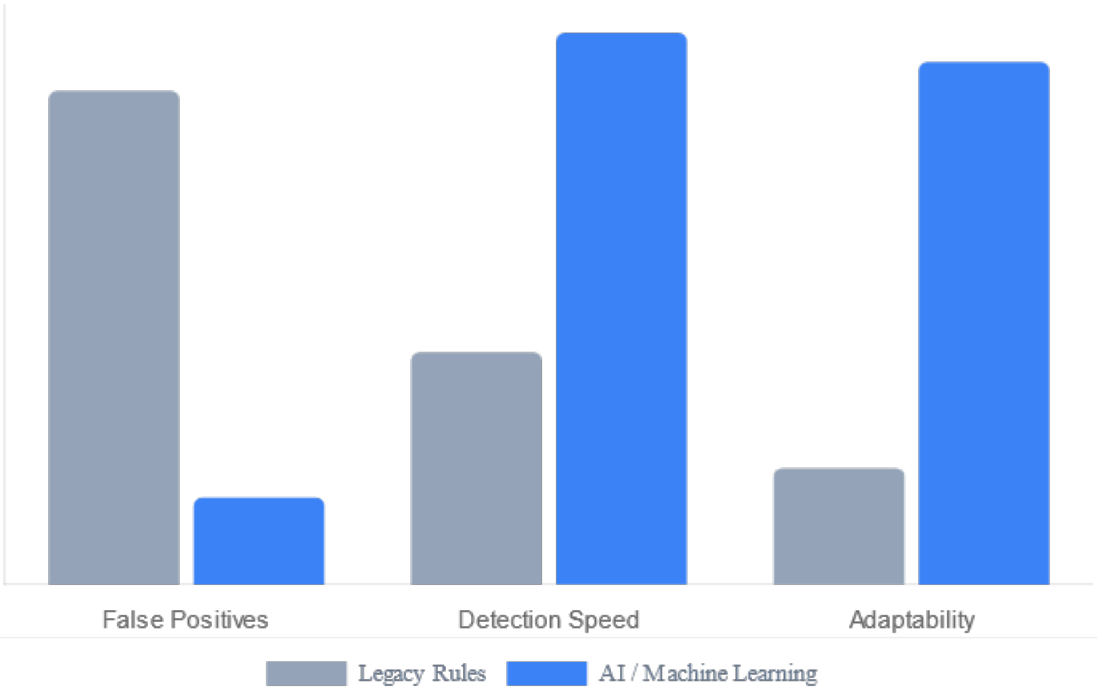
Red (81-100): Decline & Alert Security.

Evolution: Rules vs. AI

Historically, banks used "If-Then" rules. Modern AI analyzes thousands of features simultaneously, drastically reducing "False Positives".

1. **Legacy Rules**
   High maintenance, rigid, high false positive rate.

2. **Modern AI/ML**
   Self-learning, real-time adaptation, behavioral profiling.



Transaction Risk Analysis

Sample transaction data used for training analysts.

TX **Transaction Analysis** ID: #4462

Amount	**$4.50**
Location IP	**Austin, TX** Home: Austin, TX
Device Fingerprint	**iPhone 13** iOS 16
Velocity (1 hr)	**1 Attempt/hr**