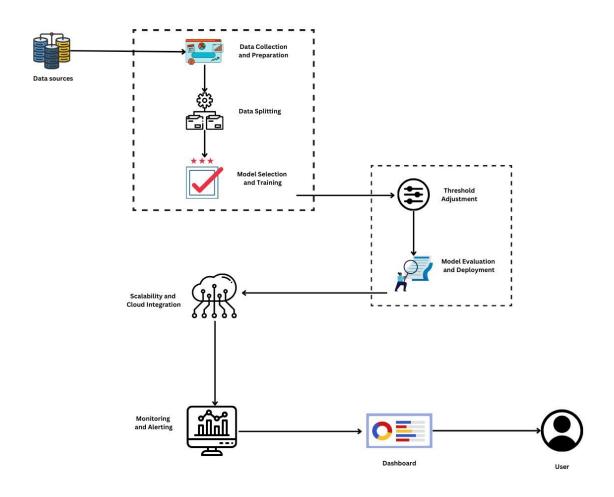
# **Online Payments Fraud Detection using ML**

# **Project Description:**

The rise of the internet and e-commerce has increased reliance on online credit/debit card transactions. However, this increase in utilisation has also resulted in an increase in fraud instances. Detecting these scams is difficult, as different approaches have variable degrees of accuracy and their own set of limitations. Monitoring transaction behaviour for any deviations is necessary for predicting and resolving fraud. Given the large quantity of data involved, the suggested solution addresses the credit/debit card fraud detection issue.

Classification methods such as Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVM, Extra Tree Classifier, and XGBoost Classifier are used in our strategy. We intend to determine the most successful model through rigorous training and testing. Once the best model has been found, it will be stored in pkl format. Flask integration enabling easy web application development and deployment on IBM infrastructure are the next steps.

### **Technical Architecture:**



# Pre requisites:

To complete this project, you must require following software, concepts and packages

- Anaconda Navigator and VS code.
- Python packages
  - o Open VS code → view → terminal → and ensure following steps
  - o Type "pip install numpy" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install pandas" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install scikit-learn" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install matplotlib" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install scipy" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install pickle-mixin" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install seaborn" and click enter.
  - o Type "pip install Flask" and click enter.

# **Prior Knowledge:**

You must have prior knowledge of following topics to complete this project.

- MI concepts(algos)
  - o Supervised Learning
  - o Unsupervised Learning
  - o Regression and Classification
  - o Decision Tree
  - o Random Forest
  - o XGboost Classifier
  - o SVM
  - o Extra tree classifier
  - o Evaluation metrics
  - o Flask Basics

# **Project Objectives:**

When you finish this project, you will:

- 1. Develop a thorough understanding of key machine learning ideas and techniques.
- 2. Gain a thorough grasp of data, including preparation and transformation techniques, with an emphasis on dealing with outliers and visualisation principles.

In addition to these learning objectives, the project seeks to accomplish the following objectives in the field of Online Payment Fraud Detection using ML:

- 1. Use core machine learning techniques to detect and respond to fraudulent behaviour in online credit/debit card transactions.
- 2. To improve the accuracy and reliability of the fraud detection model, use data pretreatment and transformation methods.
- 3. Learn how to handle outliers in a dataset, resulting in a more robust fraud detection system.
- 4. Investigate visualisation approaches to explain patterns and abnormalities in transaction data effectively.
- 5. Integrate classification methods such as Decision Trees, Random Forest, SVM, Extra Tree Classifier, and XGBoost Classifier successfully to determine the most efficient model for fraud detection.
- 6. For practical use, save and deploy the chosen model in pkl format.
- 7. Create a Flask-based web application that allows users to engage with the fraud detection system in a natural way.
- 8. Deploy the project on IBM infrastructure to ensure real-world accessibility and scalability.

# **Project Flow:**

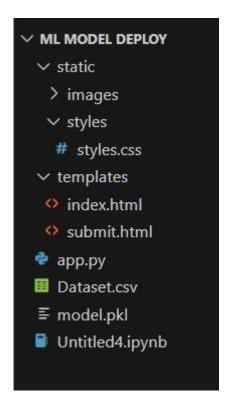
- User interacts with the UI to enter the input.
- Entered input is analysed by the model which is integrated.
- Once model analyses the input the prediction is showcased on the UI

To accomplish this, we have to complete all the activities listed below,

- Data collection
  - o Collect the dataset or create the dataset
- Visualising and analysing data
  - o Importing the libraries
  - o Read the Dataset
  - o Univariate analysis
  - o Bivariate analysis
  - o Descriptive analysis
- Data pre-processing
  - o Checking for null values
  - o Handling outlier
  - o Handling categorical(object) data
  - o Splitting data into train and test
- Model building
  - o Import the model building libraries
  - o Initialising the model
  - o Training and testing the model
  - o Evaluating performance of model
  - o Save the model
- Application Building
  - o Create an HTML file
  - o Build python code

# **Project Structure:**

Create the Project folder which contains files as shown below



- We are building a flask application which needs HTML pages stored in the templates folder and a python script app.py for scripting.
- Model.pkl is our saved model. Further we will use this model for flask integration.

### **Milestone 1: Data Collection**

ML depends heavily on data. It is the most crucial aspect that makes algorithm training possible. So this section allows you to download the required dataset.

#### Collect the dataset or create the dataset or Download the dataset:

There are many popular open sources for collecting the data. Eg: kaggle.com, UCI repository, etc.

In this project we have used PS\_20174392719\_1491204439457\_logs.csv data. This data is downloaded from kaggle.com. Please refer to the link given below to download the dataset.

Link: <a href="https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/rupakroy/online-payments-fraud-detection-dataset">https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/rupakroy/online-payments-fraud-detection-dataset</a>

# Milestone 2: Visualising and analysing data

As the dataset is downloaded. Let us read and understand the data properly with the help of

some visualisation techniques and some analysing techniques.

Note: There are a number of techniques for understanding the data. But here we have used some of it. In an additional way, you can use multiple techniques.

### **Activity 1: Importing the libraries**

Import the necessary libraries as shown in the image. (optional) Here we have used visualisation style as fivethirtyeight.

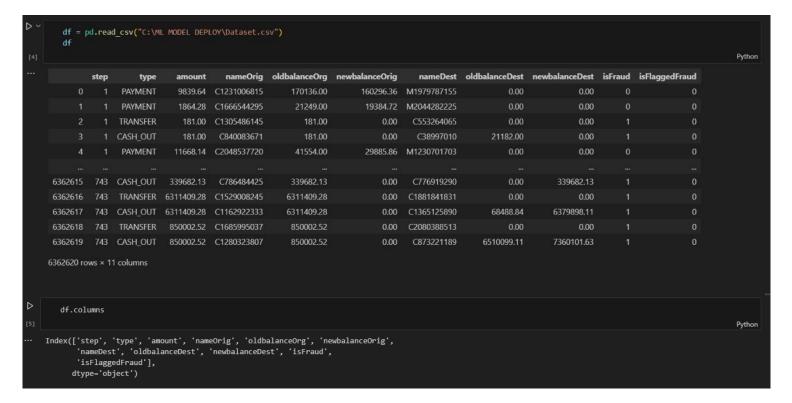
```
[ ] import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd
import seaborn as sns
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
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#### **Activity 2: Read the Dataset**

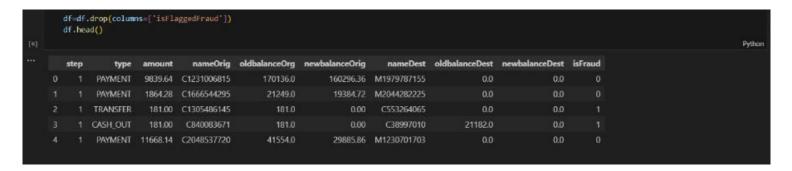
Our dataset format might be in .csv, excel files, .txt, .json, etc. We can read the dataset with the help of pandas.

In pandas we have a function called read\_csv() to read the dataset. As a parameter we have to give the directory of the csv file.

Here, the input features in the dataset are known using the df.columns function.



Here, the dataset's superfluous columns are being removed using the drop method.



#### **About Dataset**

The below column reference:

1. step: represents a unit of time where 1 step equals 1 hour

2. type: type of online transaction

3. amount: the amount of the transaction

4. nameOrig: customer starting the transaction

5. oldbalanceOrg: balance before the transaction

6, newbalanceOrig: balance after the transaction

7. nameDest: recipient of the transaction

B. oldbalanceDest: initial balance of recipient before the transaction

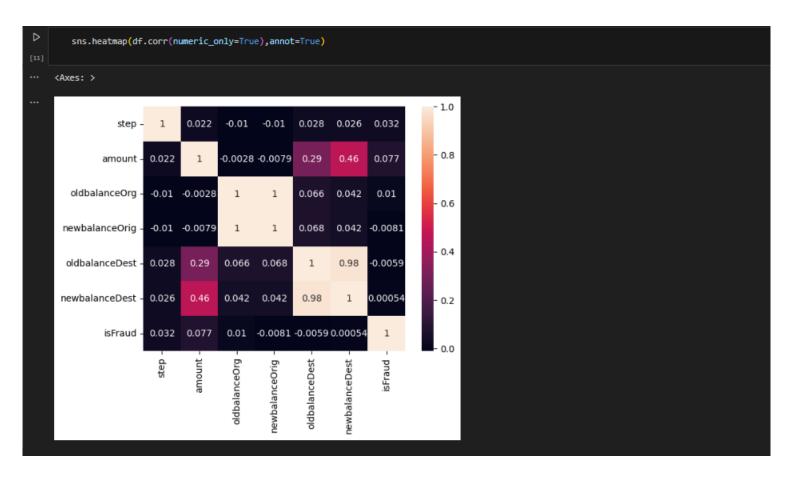
9. newbalanceDest: the new balance of recipient after the transaction

10. isFraud: fraud transaction



Utilising the corr function to examine the dataset's correlation

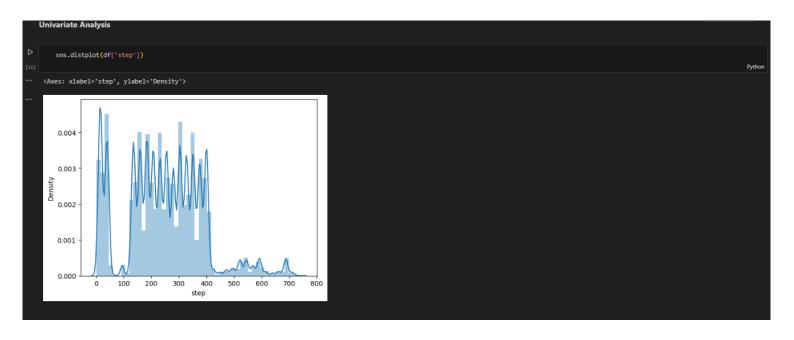
#### **HEATMAP**



Here, a heatmap is used to understand the relationship between the input attributes and the anticipated goal value.

# **Activity 3: Univariate analysis**

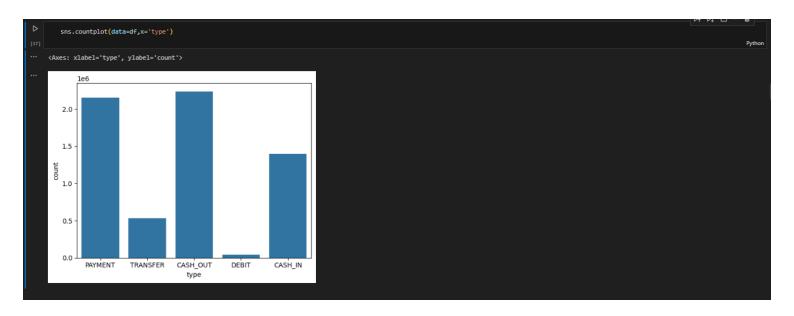
In simple words, univariate analysis is understanding the data with a single feature. Here I have displayed the graph such as distplot.



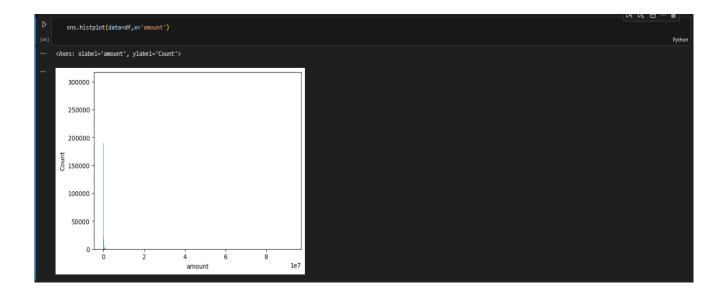
The distribution of one or more variables is represented by a histogram, a traditional visualisation tool, by counting the number of observations that fall within.



Here, the relationship between the step attribute and the boxplot is visualised.



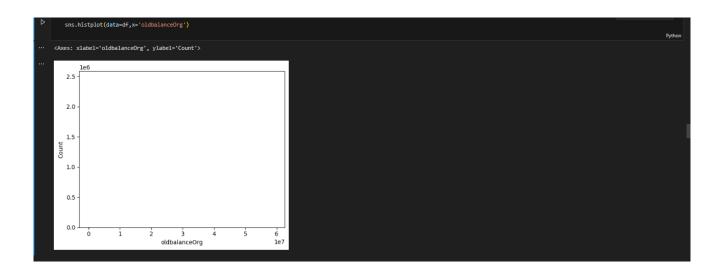
Here, the counts of observations in the type attribute of the dataset will be displayed using a countplot.



By creating bins along the data's range and then drawing bars to reflect the number of observations that fall within the amount attribute in the dataset.

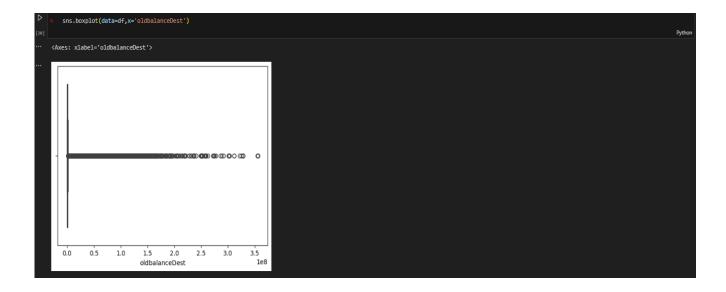


Here, the relationship between the amount attribute and the boxplot is visualised.

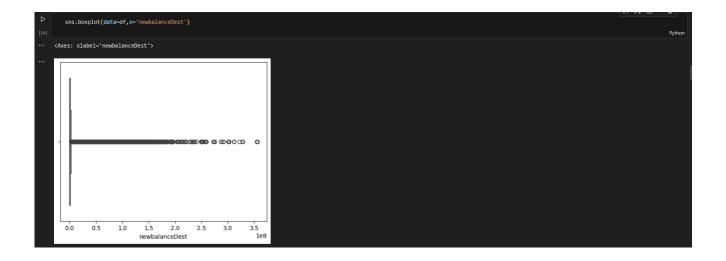


By creating bins along the data's range and then drawing bars to reflect the number of observations that fall within the oldbalanceOrg attribute in the dataset.

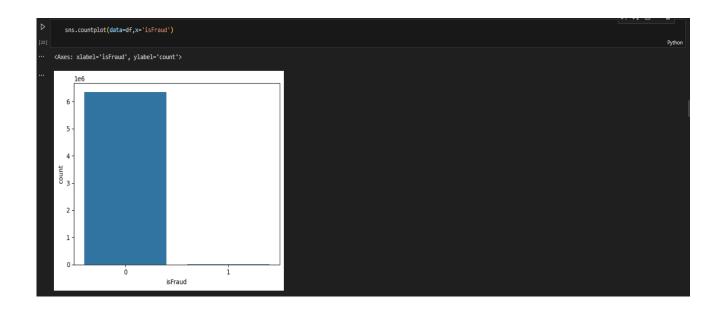
Utilising the value counts() function here to determine how many times the nameDest column appears.



Here, the relationship between the oldbalanceDest attribute and the boxplot is visualised.

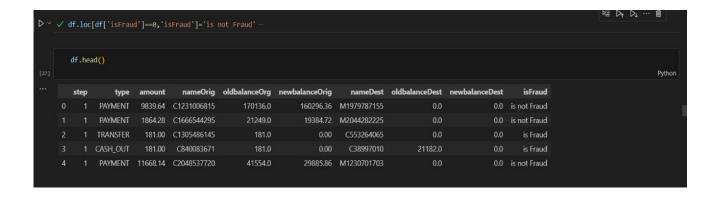


Here, the relationship between the newbalanceDest attribute and the boxplot is visualised.



Using the countplot approach here to count the number of instances in the dataset's target is Fraud column.

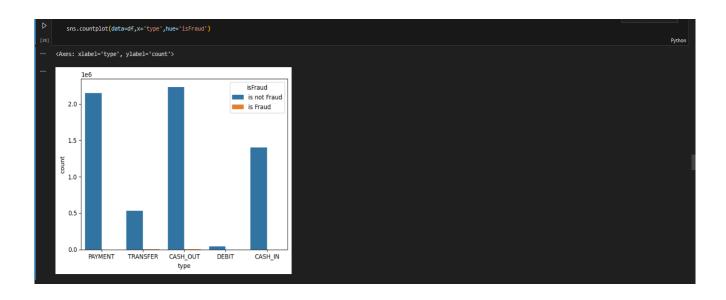
Here, we're using the value counts method to figure out how many classes there are in the dataset's target isFraud column.



Converting 0-means: is not fraud and 1-means: is fraud using the loc technique here

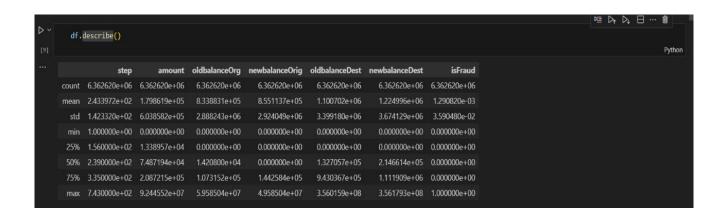
#### **Activity 4: Bivariate analysis**

Here we are visualising the relationship between type and isFraud.countplot is used here. As a  $1^{st}$  parameter we are passing x value and as a  $2^{nd}$  parameter we are passing hue value.



### **Activity 5: Descriptive analysis**

Descriptive analysis is to study the basic features of data with the statistical process. Here pandas has a worthy function called describe. With this describe function we can understand the unique, top and frequent values of categorical features. And we can find mean, std, min, max and percentile values of continuous features.



### Milestone 3: Data Pre-processing

As we have understood how the data is, let's pre-process the collected data.

The download data set is not suitable for training the machine learning model as it might have so much randomness so we need to clean the dataset properly in order to fetch good results.

This activity includes the following steps.

Handling missing values

Handling Object data label encoding

Splitting dataset into training and test set



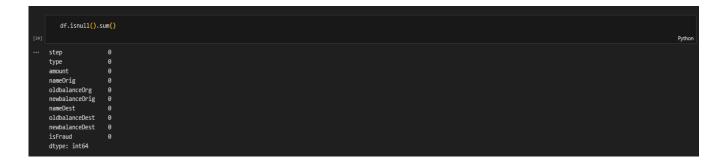
Here, I'm using the shape approach to figure out how big my dataset is

```
df.drop(['nameDest', 'nameOrig'], axis=1, inplace=True)
Pythor
```

Here, the dataset's superfluous columns (nameOrig,nameDest) are being removed using the drop method.

# **Activity 1: Checking for null values**

Isnull is used (). sum() to check your database for null values. Using the df.info() function, the data type can be determined.



For checking the null values, data.isnull() function is used. To sum those null values we use the .sum() function to it. From the above image we found that there are no null values present in our dataset. So we can skip handling of missing values step.

Determining the types of each attribute in the dataset using the info() function.

# **Activity 2: Handling outliers**



Here, a boxplot is used to identify outliers in the dataset's amount attribute.

# **Activity 3: Object data labelencoding**

```
from sklearn.preprocessing import LabelEncoder
label_encoder = LabelEncoder()

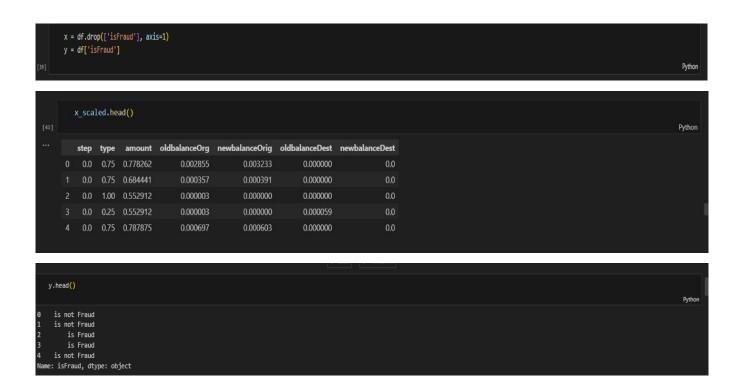
Python

df['type']= label_encoder.fit_transform(df['type'])
df['type'].unique()

array([3, 4, 1, 2, 0])
```

Using labelencoder to encode the dataset's object type

### X & Y Split and Scaling Columns



# Activity 4: Splitting data into train and test

Now let's split the Dataset into train and test setsChanges: first split the dataset into x and y and then split the data set.

Here x and y variables are created. On x variable, df is passed with dropping the target variable. And my target variable is passed. For splitting training and testing data we are using the train\_test\_split() function from sklearn. As parameters, we are passing x, y, test\_size, random state.



# Milestone 4: Model Building

Now our data is cleaned and it's time to build the model. We can train our data on different algorithms. For this project we are applying four classification algorithms. The best model is saved based on its performance.

### **Activity 1: Logistic Regression**

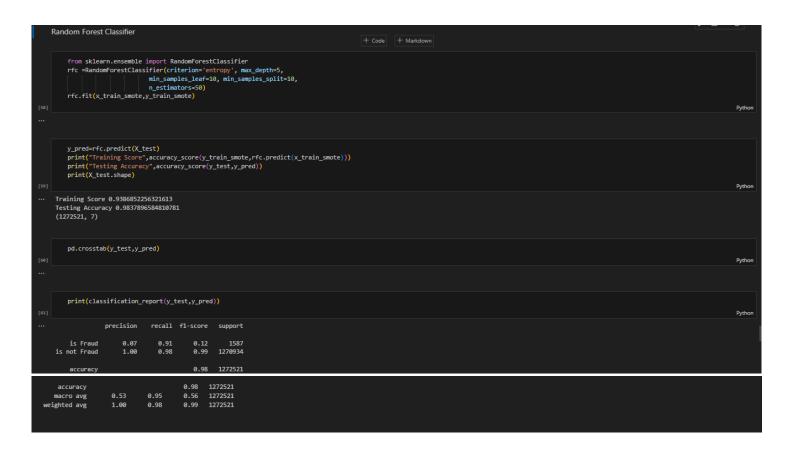
Logistic regression is a statistical method for predicting the probability of a binary outcome (e.g., yes or no, spam or not spam). It is a popular classification algorithm due to its simplicity and interpretability. The basic idea behind logistic regression is to fit a linear equation to the data and then use the sigmoid function to transform the linear output into a probability



Between 0 and 1. The sigmoid function is a mathematical function that squashes any real number to a value between 0 and 1.

### **Activity 2: Random Forest classifier**

A function named RandomForest is created and train and test data are passed as the parameters. Inside the function, the RandomForestClassifier algorithm is initialised and training data is passed to the model with the .fit() function. Test data is predicted with .predict() function and saved in a new variable. For evaluating the model, a confusion matrix and classification report is done.



#### **Activity 3: Decision tree Classifier**

A function named Decisiontree is created and train and test data are passed as the parameters. Inside the function, the DecisiontreeClassifier algorithm is initialised and training data is passed to the model with the .fit() function. Test data is predicted with the .predict() function and saved in a new variable. For evaluating the model, a confusion matrix and classification report is done.



### **Activity 4: ExtraTrees Classifier**

A function named ExtraTree is created and train and test data are passed as the parameters. Inside the function, ExtraTreeClassifier algorithm is initialised and training data is passed to the model with the .fit() function. Test data is predicted with .predict() function and saved in a new variable. For evaluating the model, a confusion matrix and classification report is done.

```
Extra tree Classifier

from sklamm.ensemble import ExtraTreesClassifier
etc.ExtraTreesClassifier()
etc.Ext(_train_asset__v, _train_asset_)
y_predetc.predict(_t_ext)
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```

array(['is not Fraud'], dtype=object)

## Activity 5: Evaluating performance of the model and saving the model

Our model is performing well. So, we are saving the model is svc by pickle.dump().

```
import pickle
pickle.dump(rfc, open('model.pkl', 'wb'))
Python
```

# **Milestone 5: Application Building**

In this section, we will be building a web application that is integrated to the model we built.

A UI is provided for the uses where he has to enter the values for predictions.

The enter values are given to the saved model and prediction is showcased on the UI.

This section has the following tasks

- Building HTML Pages
- Building server side script

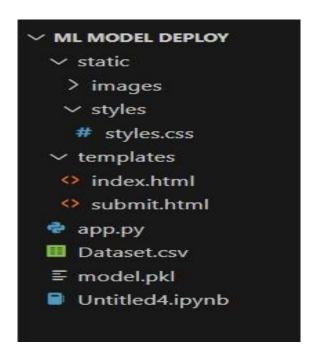
# **Activity1: Building Html Pages:**

For this project create three HTML files namely

- index.html
- submit.html

and save them in the templates folder.

As shown in the project structure



Let's see how our home.html page looks like:





#### **General Instructions**

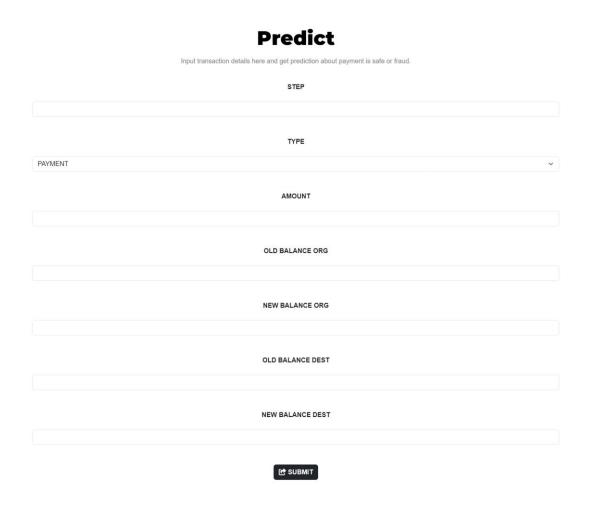
Here are some instructions for prevention from Online Fraud

- 1. Research the website and company: Before you provide any personal information or money, it is important to make sure that the website and company are legitimate. You can do this by searching for online reviews, checking the company's website for contact information, and verifying that the website is registered with a reputable domain registrar.
- 2. Be cautious of unsolicited emails or messages: If you receive an email or message from someone claiming to be from a company you are interested in enlisting with, be cautious. Do not click on any links or open any attachments in the message without first verifying that they are legitimate. You can do this by contacting the company directly through their website or a known phone number.
- 3. Never give out your personal information or financial information to someone you do not know and trust: Companies should never ask for your personal information, such as your Social Security number, bank account information, or credit card number, before you have been accepted into their program. If you are asked for this information, it is a red flag that the company may be fraudulent.
- 4. Be skeptical of offers that sound too good to be true: If you are offered a job or enlistment opportunity that seems too good to be true, it probably is. Do not be afraid to walk away from any offer that seems suspicious or if you are not comfortable with the terms.
- 5. Use a secure payment method: If you do need to pay a fee to enlist with a company, make sure you use a secure payment method, such as a credit card or PayPal. Do not wire money or send gift cards to anyone, as these are common payment methods used by scammers.
- 6. Report any fraudulent activity to the authorities: If you believe that you have been the victim of online fraud, you should report it to the authorities. You can contact the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) or file a complaint online at ReportFraud.ftc.gov.



Now when you click on predict button from top right corner you will get redirected to predict.html

# Let's look how our predict.html file looks like:





Now when you click on submit button from left bottom corner you will get redirected to submit.html

#### Let's look how our submit.html file looks like:



# **Activity 2: Build Python code:**

Import the libraries

Load the saved model. Importing the flask module in the project is mandatory. An object of Flask class is our WSGI application. Flask constructor takes the name of the current module (\_\_name\_\_) as argument.

```
from flask import Flask,render_template,request
import numpy as np
import pickle
import pandas as pd

model=pickle.load(open("C:\ML MODEL DEPLOY\model.pkl",'rb'))
app=Flask(_name__)
```

### Render HTML page:

```
dict_val= {'PAYMENT':0, 'TRANSFER':1 ,'CASH_OUT':2 ,'DEBIT':3 ,'CASH_IN':4}
@app.route("/")
def start():
    return render_template('index.html')
```

Here we will be using a declared constructor to route to the HTML page which we have created earlier.

In the above example, '/' URL is bound with the home.html function. Hence, when

the home page of the web server is opened in the browser, the html page will be rendered. Whenever you enter the values from the html page the values can be retrieved using POST Method.

Retrieves the value from UI:

```
def predict():
    return render_template('index.html')

@app.route("/Home")
def index():
    return render_template('index.html')

@app.route("/login",methods=['POST'])
def login():
    x=[[x for x in request.form.values()]]
    x=np.array(x)
    print(x)
    # pred=model.predict(x)
    x[0][1]=dict_val[x[0][1]]
    print(x)
    x=x.astype(float)
    output=model.predict(x)
    val=""
    if(output[0]==0):
        val="Not Fraud"
    else:
        val="Fraud"
    return render_template('submit.html',y=val)
```

Here we are routing our app to predict() function. This function retrieves all the values from the HTML page using Post request. That is stored in an array. This array is passed to the model.predict() function. This function returns the prediction. And this prediction value will be rendered to the text that we have mentioned in the submit.html page earlier.

#### **Main Function:**

```
if(__name__=="__main__"):
    app.run(debug=True)
```

### Activity 3: Run the application

- Open VSCODE prompt from the start menu
- Navigate to the folder where your python script is.
- Now type "python app.py" command
- Navigate to the localhost where you can view your web page.

• Click on the predict button from the top right corner, enter the inputs,

click on the submit button, and see the result/prediction on the web.

```
PS C:\ML MODEL DEPLOY> python -u "c:\ML MODEL DEPLOY\app.py"

* Serving Flask app 'app'

* Debug mode: on

WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a production WSGI server instead.

* Running on http://127.0.0.1:5000

Press CTRL+C to quit

* Restarting with stat

* Debugger is active!

* Debugger PIN: 749-454-911

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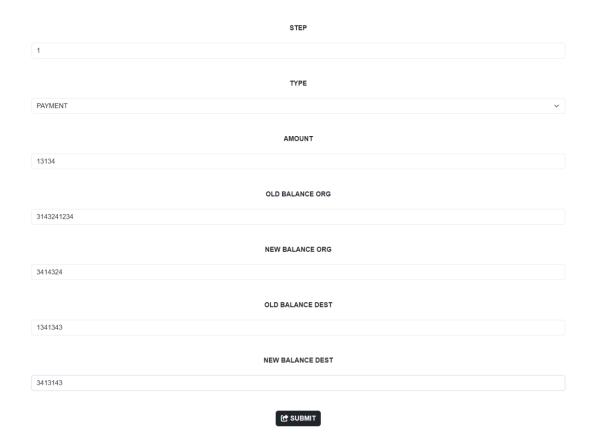
127.0.0.1 - [09/Nov/2023 12:39:45] "GET /static/styles/styles.css HTTP/1.1" 304 -

127.0.0.1 - [09/Nov/2023 12:39:45] "GET /static/images/boy.png HTTP/1.1" 304 -

127.0.0.1 - [09/Nov/2023 12:39:45] "GET /static/images/detective.png HTTP/1.1" 304 -
```

# **Output screenshots:**

#### When transaction is fraud





# When transaction is not fraud

