1 Data Preprocessing

1.1 Import Dependencies and Libraries

In [146]: 1 import numpy as np import pandas as pd import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import seaborn as sns import plotly.express as px import warnings warnings.filterwarnings('ignore') import math from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split from sklearn.metrics import classification_report,confusion_matrix,accuracy_score,f1_score,precision_score ,recall_score,auc,average_precision_score,roc_auc_score,roc_curve,r2_score,f1_

executed in 19ms, finished 20:07:03 2024-02-21

score,precision_recall_curve

Out[2]:

| | step | | type | amount | nameOrig | oldbalanceOrg | newbalanceOrig | nameDest | oldbal |
|---|------|---|----------|----------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|--------|
| 0 | | 1 | PAYMENT | 9839.64 | C1231006815 | 170136.0 | 160296.36 | M1979787155 | |
| 1 | | 1 | PAYMENT | 1864.28 | C1666544295 | 21249.0 | 19384.72 | M2044282225 | |
| 2 | | 1 | TRANSFER | 181.00 | C1305486145 | 181.0 | 0.00 | C553264065 | |
| 3 | | 1 | CASH_OUT | 181.00 | C840083671 | 181.0 | 0.00 | C38997010 | |
| 4 | | 1 | PAYMENT | 11668.14 | C2048537720 | 41554.0 | 29885.86 | M1230701703 | |

Information about total size and shape of The Dataset

```
In [3]: 1 print('Shape of The Dataset : ',df.shape)
2 print('Total number of Datapoints : ',df.shape[0])
3 print('Total number of Features : ',df.shape[1])
executed in 15ms, finished 16:44:07 2024-02-21
```

Shape of The Dataset : (6362620, 11)
Total number of Datapoints : 6362620
Total number of Features : 11

```
In [4]:
            1 df.info()
        executed in 28ms, finished 16:44:08 2024-02-21
         <class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
         RangeIndex: 6362620 entries, 0 to 6362619
        Data columns (total 11 columns):
              Column
                              Dtype
         0
              step
                              int64
                              object
          1
              type
                              float64
          2
              amount
          3
              nameOrig
                              object
          4
              oldbalanceOrg
                              float64
              newbalanceOrig float64
          6
              nameDest
                              object
              oldbalanceDest float64
              newbalanceDest float64
              isFraud
                               int64
             isFlaggedFraud int64
          10
         dtypes: float64(5), int64(3), object(3)
        memory usage: 534.0+ MB
```

Check if there is any null value present in the dataset

```
In [5]:
             1 df.isnull().sum()
         executed in 3.03s, finished 16:44:12 2024-02-21
Out[5]:
         step
                             0
         type
                             0
                             0
         amount
                             0
         nameOrig
         oldbalanceOrg
                             0
         newbalanceOrig
         nameDest
                             0
         oldbalanceDest
                             0
         newbalanceDest
                             0
         isFraud
                             0
         isFlaggedFraud
                             0
         dtype: int64
```

check if there duplicate data points are present

```
In [6]: 1 df.duplicated().sum() executed in 17.6s, finished 16:44:31 2024-02-21
```

Out[6]: 0

2 Exploratory Data Analysis

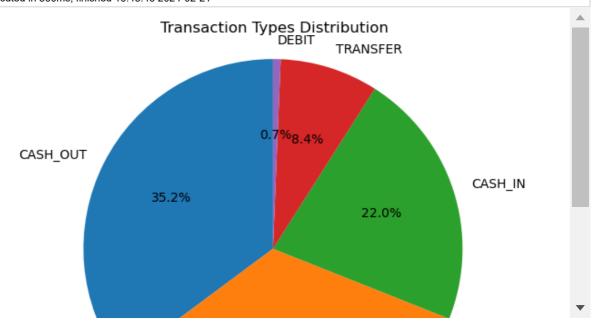
Creating The Loop through each column to fetch the name along the column with number of unique categories present in the column

```
In [7]:
            1 count = 0
            2 for i in df.columns:
            3
                  count += 1
            4
                   print(f'{count}. {i}\nNumber of Unique Categories : {df[i].nunique()}\n')
        executed in 10.9s, finished 16:44:44 2024-02-21
        Number of Unique Categories: 743
        2. type
        Number of Unique Categories : 5
        3. amount
        Number of Unique Categories : 5316900
        4. nameOrig
        Number of Unique Categories: 6353307
        oldbalanceOrg
        Number of Unique Categories: 1845844
        6. newbalanceOrig
        Number of Unique Categories : 2682586
        7. nameDest
        Number of Unique Categories : 2722362
        8. oldbalanceDest
        Number of Unique Categories: 3614697
        9. newbalanceDest
        Number of Unique Categories : 3555499
        10. isFraud
        Number of Unique Categories : 2
        11. isFlaggedFraud
        Number of Unique Categories : 2
```

Getting The unique Categories Present in the column from the Categorical columns and print them.

```
In [8]:
            1 for i in df.columns:
            2
                   if df[i].dtype == '0':
            3
                       print(f'{i}\nUnique Categories : {df[i].unique()}\n')
        executed in 6.23s, finished 16:44:53 2024-02-21
         type
        Unique Categories : ['PAYMENT' 'TRANSFER' 'CASH_OUT' 'DEBIT' 'CASH_IN']
        nameOrig
        Unique Categories : ['C1231006815' 'C1666544295' 'C1305486145' ... 'C1162922333' 'C1
         685995037'
          'C1280323807']
         nameDest
        Unique Categories : ['M1979787155' 'M2044282225' 'C553264065' ... 'C1850423904' 'C18
         81841831'
          'C2080388513']
```

Distribution of Transaction types in percentage and plotting the pieplot for it



Checking The Categories Percentage for Target colummn

Out[13]: 0 6354407 1 8213

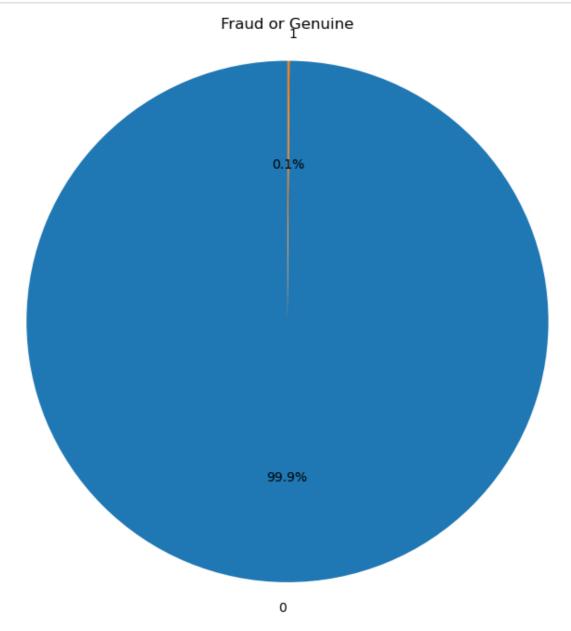
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64

```
In [14]:

1     fraud = df['isFraud'].value_counts()

2     plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
4     plt.pie(fraud.values, labels=fraud.index, autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=90)
5     plt.title('Fraud or Genuine')
6     plt.axis('equal')
7     plt.show()

executed in 126ms, finished 16:45:50 2024-02-21
```



Pieplot shows that almost 99.9% values are not fraud and only 0.1% values are fraud , which is due to the imbalanced dataset

Counting The Values By Step column

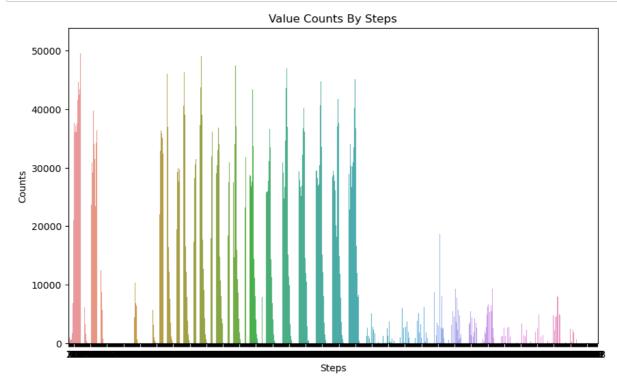
```
In [15]: 1 steps = df['step'].value_counts() executed in 47ms, finished 16:45:52 2024-02-21
```

```
In [16]:

1  plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
2  sns.barplot(x=steps.index, y=steps.values))

4  plt.title('Value Counts By Steps')
5  plt.xlabel('Steps')
6  plt.ylabel('Counts')
7
8  plt.show()

executed in 6.37s, finished 16:46:00 2024-02-21
```



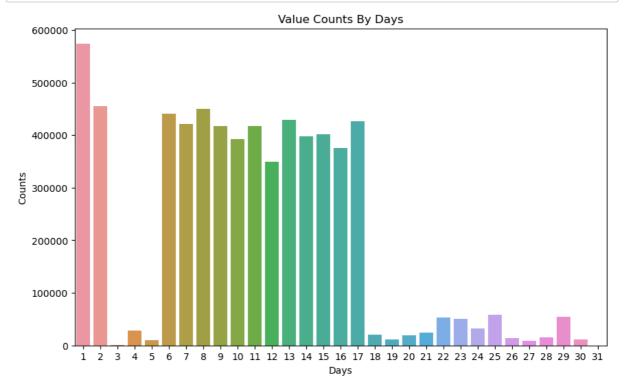
we have seen That approximately 150 to 400 in steps covered majority of the datapoints in dataset.

creating new feature from step column to better understand the transaction happens on which day

```
In [18]:

1     days = df['Day'].value_counts()
2     plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
3     sns.barplot(x=days.index, y=days.values)

5     plt.title('Value Counts By Days')
6     plt.xlabel('Days')
7     plt.ylabel('Counts')
8
9  # Show plot
10     plt.show()
executed in 284ms, finished 16:46:12 2024-02-21
```



Creating two columns from the transaction originator and destination, where the variables "C" represent Customers and "M" represent Merchants, can provide impactful information for detecting fraudulent transactions. This information allows us to track transactions made between customers and merchants, aiding in fraud detection.

we have five types of transactions, where fraud occurs in two of them. the first is 'Transfer' and another is 'Cash_out'

We have seen that the number of fraudulent transaction in TRANSFER and CASH OUT

```
PAYMENT
     2151495
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
TRANSFER
     528812
       4097
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
CASH_OUT
     2233384
0
1
        4116
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
DEBIT
     41432
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
CASH IN
     1399284
Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
```

The 'isFlaggedFraud' is do not correlate with any other variable. this set to be as the transcation amount when greater than 200000 then it gives 1. and it gives almost 16 entries only and all are in transfer column .

```
PAYMENT
     2151495
Name: isFlaggedFraud, dtype: int64
TRANSFER
0
     532893
Name: isFlaggedFraud, dtype: int64
CASH OUT
     2237500
Name: isFlaggedFraud, dtype: int64
DEBIT
     41432
Name: isFlaggedFraud, dtype: int64
CASH IN
     1399284
Name: isFlaggedFraud, dtype: int64
```

new feature with combining two variables Account Type of Originator corresponding to Destination account type for checking from which type of entity to which type of entity the frodulent transaction made.

From this Information We Get that There is no Merchants among any originator accounts, merchants are only present in destination accounts for all payments

```
In [23]: ▼
             1 for category in df['TypeTrans'].unique():
                    print(f"\n{category}\n{df[df['TypeTrans'] == category]
                ['isFraud'].value_counts()}")
         executed in 4.81s, finished 16:47:00 2024-02-21
          customer-merchant
               2151495
         Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
          customer-customer
              4202912
                  8213
         Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
In [24]:
             1 | print('Maximum amount of transaction detected not fraud : ', df[df['isFraud']
               == 0]['amount'].max())
             2 print('Average amount of transaction detected not fraud : ',df[df['isFraud']
               == 0]['amount'].mean())
             3 print('Minimum amount of transaction detected not fraud : ',df[df['isFraud']
                == 0]['amount'].min())
         executed in 4.28s, finished 16:47:07 2024-02-21
         Maximum amount of transaction detected not fraud: 92445516.64
         Average amount of transaction detected not fraud :
                                                               178197.04172739814
         Minimum amount of transaction detected not fraud :
In [25]:
             1 print('Maximum amount of transaction detected fraud : ', df[df['isFraud'] ==
               1]['amount'].max())
             2 print('Average amount of transaction detected fraud : ',df[df['isFraud'] == 1]
                ['amount'].mean())
             3 print('Minimum amount of transaction detected fraud : ',df[df['isFraud'] == 1]
                ['amount'].min())
         executed in 63ms, finished 16:47:07 2024-02-21
         Maximum amount of transaction detected fraud: 10000000.0
         Average amount of transaction detected fraud :
                                                           1467967.299140387
```

Minimum amount of transaction detected fraud :

3 Feature Engineering and Transformation

```
In [26]:

1     fraud = df.loc[df['isFraud'] == 1]
     nonFraud = df.loc[df['isFraud'] == 0]

4     print( "percentage of transaction being fraud when old balance of destinatin account and new balance of destination account is 0 : ")
     print((len(fraud.loc[(fraud['oldbalanceDest'] == 0) & (fraud['newbalanceDest'] == 0) & (fraud['amount'])]) / (1.0 * len(fraud))))

6     rint( "percentage of transaction being not fraud when old balance of destinatin account and new balance of destination account is 0 : ")

8     print((len(nonFraud.loc[(nonFraud['oldbalanceDest'] == 0) & (nonFraud['newbalanceDest'] == 0) & (nonFraud['amount'])]) / (1.0 * len(nonFraud))))

executed in 2.29s, finished 16:47:12 2024-02-21
```

percentage of transaction being fraud when old balance of destinatin account and new balance of destination account is 0: 0.4955558261293072

percentage of transaction being not fraud when old balance of destinatin account and new balance of destination account is 0:0.36403176567065976

it is seen that, there is almost 50% chance to be a transaction being fraud when old balance of destination account and new balance of destination account is 0

4 Data Cleaning

Drop the Unnesessory factors/features and arange the Dataframe with better order and manner

```
In [30]: 1 df.head(3) executed in 147ms, finished 16:47:25 2024-02-21
```

Out[30]:

| ste | p | type | amount | AccTypeOrig | AccTypeDest | oldbalanceOrg | newbalanceOrig | 0 |
|-----|---|----------|---------|-------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|---|
| 0 | 1 | PAYMENT | 9839.64 | customer | merchant | 170136.0 | 160296.36 | |
| 1 | 1 | PAYMENT | 1864.28 | customer | merchant | 21249.0 | 19384.72 | |
| 2 | 1 | TRANSFER | 181.00 | customer | customer | 181.0 | 0.00 | |

```
In [31]: 1 df['AccTypeOrig'].unique() executed in 418ms, finished 16:47:27 2024-02-21
```

Out[31]: array(['customer'], dtype=object)

From above, There are All originator Accounts in transactions are same so we drop the column

```
In [32]: 1 df.drop(columns=['AccTypeOrig'],inplace = True)
    executed in 370ms, finished 16:47:29 2024-02-21
```

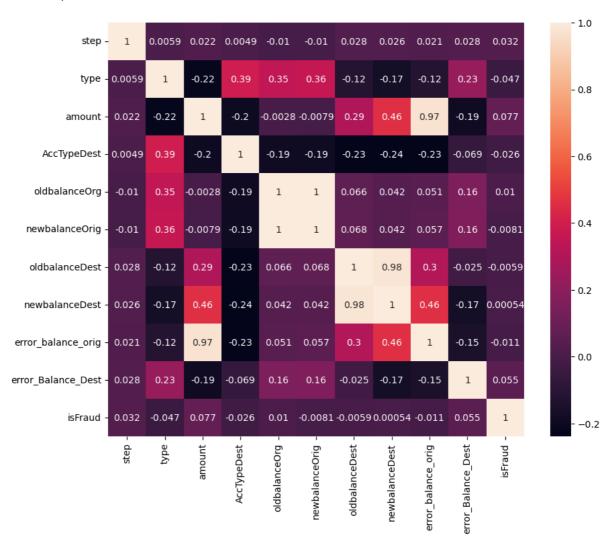
In [35]: 1 correlation = df.corr()
2 correlation
executed in 3.42s, finished 16:47:40 2024-02-21

Out[35]:

| | step | type | amount | AccTypeDest | oldbalanceOrg | newbalanceOrig |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------------|
| step | 1.000000 | 0.005930 | 0.022373 | 0.004926 | -0.010058 | -0.010299 |
| type | 0.005930 | 1.000000 | -0.222793 | 0.390822 | 0.347669 | 0.364625 |
| amount | 0.022373 | -0.222793 | 1.000000 | -0.197444 | -0.002762 | -0.007861 |
| AccTypeDest | 0.004926 | 0.390822 | -0.197444 | 1.000000 | -0.189486 | -0.193915 |
| oldbalanceOrg | -0.010058 | 0.347669 | -0.002762 | -0.189486 | 1.000000 | 0.998803 |
| newbalanceOrig | -0.010299 | 0.364625 | -0.007861 | -0.193915 | 0.998803 | 1.000000 |
| oldbalanceDest | 0.027665 | -0.117899 | 0.294137 | -0.231455 | 0.066243 | 0.067812 |
| newbalanceDest | 0.025888 | -0.173067 | 0.459304 | -0.238315 | 0.042029 | 0.041837 |
| error_balance_orig | 0.020516 | -0.119523 | 0.970660 | -0.229066 | 0.050502 | 0.056897 |
| error_Balance_Dest | 0.028159 | 0.227791 | -0.189928 | -0.068817 | 0.156464 | 0.163161 |
| isFraud | 0.031578 | -0.046615 | 0.076688 | -0.025697 | 0.010154 | -0.008148 |
| 4 | | | | | | |

In [36]: 1 plt.figure(figsize=(10,8))
2 sns.heatmap(correlation,annot=True)
executed in 935ms, finished 16:47:43 2024-02-21

Out[36]: <AxesSubplot:>



4.1 Multicollinearity

Looking at the correlation matrix provided:

High positive correlations: amount and error_balance_orig: 0.970660

oldbalanceOrg and newbalanceOrig: 0.998803

oldbalanceDest and newbalanceDest: 0.976569

High negative correlations: There are no high negative correlations in the matrix. These high correlations indicate potential multicollinearity between these pairs of variables. Specifically:

amount and error_balance_orig have a very high positive correlation, suggesting that they may contain redundant information. oldbalanceOrg and newbalanceOrig, as well as oldbalanceDest and newbalanceDest, also have very high positive correlations, indicating strong linear relationships between these variables.

On The Basis Of The Transaction Type We Extract The Data Points belogs to methods 'Transfer' and 'Cash_out' which assigned by the values 0 and 1 respectively

Out[37]:

| | step | type | amount | AccTypeDest | oldbalanceOrg | newbalanceOrig | oldbalanceDest |
|---------|------|------|------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 181.00 | 0 | 181.00 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 181.00 | 0 | 181.00 | 0.0 | 21182.0 |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 229133.94 | 0 | 15325.00 | 0.0 | 5083.0 |
| 3 | 1 | 0 | 215310.30 | 0 | 705.00 | 0.0 | 22425.0 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 311685.89 | 0 | 10835.00 | 0.0 | 6267.0 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 2770404 | 743 | 1 | 339682.13 | 0 | 339682.13 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2770405 | 743 | 0 | 6311409.28 | 0 | 6311409.28 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2770406 | 743 | 1 | 6311409.28 | 0 | 6311409.28 | 0.0 | 68488.8 |
| 2770407 | 743 | 0 | 850002.52 | 0 | 850002.52 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2770408 | 743 | 1 | 850002.52 | 0 | 850002.52 | 0.0 | 6510099.1 |

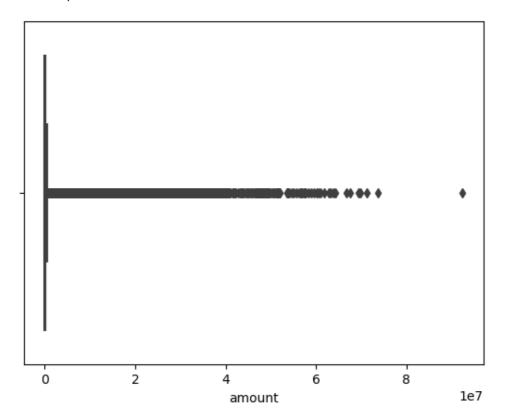
2770409 rows × 11 columns

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4.2 Detecting Outliers

In [38]: 1 sns.boxplot(df['amount']) executed in 1.22s, finished 16:47:49 2024-02-21

Out[38]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='amount'>



Calculate the interquartile range (IQR)

outlier boundaries

```
In [41]: v    1  # Filter out the outliers
2    df_clean = df[(df['amount'] >= lower_bound) & (df['amount'] <= upper_bound)]
executed in 466ms, finished 16:47:53 2024-02-21</pre>
```

```
In [42]: 1 df_clean['isFraud'].value_counts() executed in 186ms, finished 16:47:54 2024-02-21
```

```
Out[42]: 0 6130474
1 4770
```

Name: isFraud, dtype: int64

4.3 Solution for Multicolinearity And Outliers

To address multicollinearity and outliers in an imbalanced dataset where removing outliers would significantly reduce the fraud class values, it's essential to leverage algorithms that are robust and less sensitive to outliers. These algorithms can effectively handle the inherent challenges of imbalanced data without compromising the integrity of the dataset.

5 Machine Selection

```
In [43]:

1  from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
2  from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
executed in 16ms, finished 16:47:57 2024-02-21
```

Selecting Features and Labels

Splitting The Data into Training And Testing Data

Scaling The Data

```
In [46]: 1 scaler = StandardScaler() executed in 17ms, finished 16:48:03 2024-02-21
```

```
In [47]:
              1 X_train_scaled = scaler.fit_transform(X_train)
              2 X_test_scaled = scaler.transform(X_test)
          executed in 928ms, finished 16:48:04 2024-02-21
          Implementing Logistic Regression
In [48]:
              1 from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
          executed in 203ms, finished 16:48:14 2024-02-21
              1 lr_model = LogisticRegression(penalty='12')
In [49]:
          executed in 11ms, finished 16:48:15 2024-02-21
In [50]:
              1 | lr_model.fit(X_train_scaled,y_train)
          executed in 5.78s, finished 16:48:22 2024-02-21
Out[50]:
           ▼ LogisticRegression
           LogisticRegression()
In [51]:
              1 | lr_pred = lr_model.predict(X_test_scaled)
          executed in 27ms, finished 16:48:23 2024-02-21
In [53]:
              1 print(classification_report(y_test,lr_pred))
          executed in 888ms, finished 16:48:26 2024-02-21
                                        recall f1-score
                          precision
                                                              support
                       0
                                                      1.00
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                               552436
                       1
                                0.90
                                           0.49
                                                      0.64
                                                                 1646
                                                      1.00
                                                               554082
               accuracy
                                0.95
                                           0.75
                                                      0.82
                                                               554082
              macro avg
                                                               554082
          weighted avg
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                      1.00
In [54]:
              1 confusion_matrix(y_test,lr_pred)
          executed in 101ms, finished 16:48:35 2024-02-21
Out[54]: array([[552346,
                                813]], dtype=int64)
                      833,
In [55]:
                 print('F1 score : ',f1_score(y_test,lr_pred))
                 print('Precision :',precision_score(y_test,lr_pred))
          executed in 392ms, finished 16:48:38 2024-02-21
          F1 score: 0.6378972145939584
          Precision: 0.9003322259136213
          Hyperparameter Tuning With The Logistic Regression
In [56]:
                 from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
                 param_grid = {'C': [ 0.01, 0.1, 10],
              3
                                 'penalty': ['l1', 'l2']}
              4 | logistic_model = LogisticRegression(max_iter=10, solver='liblinear')
                 reg_model = GridSearchCV(logistic_model, param_grid, cv=3, scoring='accuracy')
          executed in 11ms, finished 16:48:40 2024-02-21
```

```
In [57]:
              1 reg_model.fit(X_train_scaled,y_train)
           executed in 1m 3.71s, finished 16:49:49 2024-02-21
Out[57]:
                       GridSearchCV
            ▶ estimator: LogisticRegression
                  ▶ LogisticRegression
In [58]:
              1 reg_model.best_estimator_.fit(X_train_scaled,y_train)
           executed in 5.48s, finished 16:49:57 2024-02-21
Out[58]:
                                  LogisticRegression
           LogisticRegression(C=10, max_iter=10, solver='liblinear')
In [59]:
              1 reg_pred = reg_model.best_estimator_.predict(X_test_scaled)
          executed in 28ms, finished 16:49:58 2024-02-21
In [60]:
              1 print(classification_report(y_test,reg_pred))
           executed in 781ms, finished 16:49:59 2024-02-21
                          precision
                                         recall f1-score
                                                               support
                       0
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                       1.00
                                                                552436
                       1
                                0.90
                                           0.49
                                                       0.64
                                                                  1646
                                                       1.00
                                                                554082
               accuracy
                                                                554082
                                0.95
                                           0.75
                                                       0.82
              macro avg
                                                       1.00
                                                                554082
          weighted avg
                                1.00
                                           1.00
           Implementing Decision Tree Algorithm
In [61]:
              1 from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
           executed in 143ms, finished 16:50:07 2024-02-21
In [62]:
              1 | dt_model = DecisionTreeClassifier()
          executed in 10ms, finished 16:50:08 2024-02-21
In [63]:
              1 | dt_model.fit(X_train,y_train)
           executed in 49.0s, finished 16:51:00 2024-02-21
Out[63]:
           ▼ DecisionTreeClassifier
           DecisionTreeClassifier()
In [64]:
              1 | dt_pred = dt_model.predict(X_test)
          executed in 84ms, finished 16:51:02 2024-02-21
```

```
In [65]:
              1 print(classification_report(y_test,dt_pred))
          executed in 737ms, finished 16:51:04 2024-02-21
                         precision
                                        recall f1-score
                                                             support
                      0
                               1.00
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                              552436
                      1
                               0.99
                                          0.99
                                                     0.99
                                                                1646
                                                     1.00
                                                              554082
              accuracy
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                              554082
             macro avg
                               1.00
                                          1.00
                                                              554082
          weighted avg
                               1.00
                                                     1.00
In [66]:
              1 confusion_matrix(y_test,dt_pred)
          executed in 86ms, finished 16:51:06 2024-02-21
Out[66]: array([[552425,
                              1635]], dtype=int64)
                       11,
          Implementing Gradient Boosting Regressor
In [67]:
              1 | from xgboost import XGBClassifier
          executed in 139ms, finished 16:51:08 2024-02-21
In [68]:
              1 xgb_clf = XGBClassifier()
          executed in 11ms, finished 16:51:09 2024-02-21
In [69]:
              1 xgb clf.fit(X train,y train)
          executed in 3m 3s, finished 16:54:17 2024-02-21
Out[69]:
                                                 XGBClassifier
                          colsample_bylevel=None, colsample_bynode=None,
                          colsample_bytree=None, early_stopping_rounds=None,
                          enable_categorical=False, eval_metric=None, feature_types=None,
                          gamma=None, gpu_id=None, grow_policy=None, importance_type=None,
                          interaction constraints=None, learning rate=None, max bin=None,
                          max_cat_threshold=None, max_cat_to_onehot=None,
                          max_delta_step=None, max_depth=None, max_leaves=None,
                          min_child_weight=None, mis$ing=nan, monotone_constraints=None,
                          n estimators=100, n jobs=None, num parallel tree=None,
                          predictor=None, random_state=None, ...)
In [70]:
              1 xgb_pred = xgb_clf.predict(X_test)
          executed in 570ms, finished 16:54:21 2024-02-21
In [71]:
              1 print(classification_report(y_test,xgb_pred))
          executed in 746ms, finished 16:54:22 2024-02-21
                          precision
                                        recall f1-score
                                                             support
                      0
                               1.00
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                              552436
                               1.00
                      1
                                          0.99
                                                     1.00
                                                                1646
               accuracy
                                                     1.00
                                                              554082
             macro avg
                               1.00
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                              554082
          weighted avg
                               1.00
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                              554082
```

```
Hyperparameter Tuning With XGBoost Classifier
In [83]:
               from sklearn.model selection import GridSearchCV
             2
               param grid = {
             3
                    'n estimators' : [100],
             4
                    'max_depth' : [100,200],
                    'max_leaves' : [5,10],
             5
                    'learning_rate' : [0.01,0.05],
             6
             7
               }
             8
             9
               xgb_model =
               GridSearchCV(xgb_clf,param_grid=param_grid,cv=2,scoring='f1',verbose=4)
         executed in 16ms, finished 17:58:48 2024-02-21
In [84]:
             1 xgb_model.fit(X_train,y_train)
         executed in 33m 19s, finished 18:32:07 2024-02-21
         Fitting 2 folds for each of 8 candidates, totalling 16 fits
         [CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.01, max_depth=100, max_leaves=5, n_estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.995 total time= 1.7min
         [CV 2/2] END learning rate=0.01, max depth=100, max leaves=5, n estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.995 total time= 1.7min
         [CV 1/2] END learning rate=0.01, max depth=100, max leaves=10, n estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.995 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.01, max_depth=100, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.995 total time= 1.7min
         [CV 1/2] END learning rate=0.01, max depth=200, max leaves=5, n estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.995 total time= 2.1min
         [CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.01, max_depth=200, max_leaves=5, n_estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.995 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.01, max_depth=200, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.995 total time= 1.9min
         [CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.01, max_depth=200, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.995 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=100, max_leaves=5, n_estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.997 total time= 2.0min
         [CV 2/2] END learning rate=0.05, max depth=100, max leaves=5, n estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.996 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=100, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.997 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=100, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc
         ore=0.996 total time= 1.8min
         [CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=200, max_leaves=5, n_estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.997 total time= 1.7min
         [CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=200, max_leaves=5, n_estimators=100;, sco
         re=0.996 total time= 1.8min
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[CV 1/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=200, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc

[CV 2/2] END learning_rate=0.05, max_depth=200, max_leaves=10, n_estimators=100;, sc

Out[84]:

```
► GridSearchCV
► estimator: XGBClassifier

► XGBClassifier
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ore=0.997 total time= 1.8min

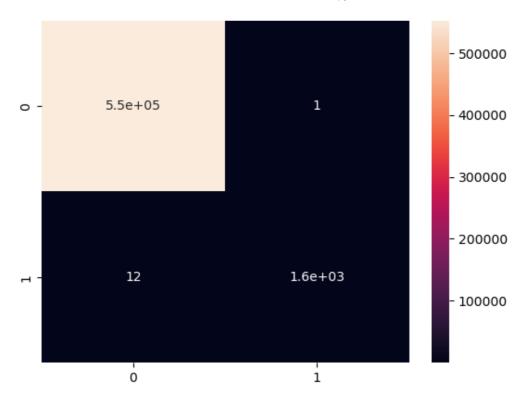
ore=0.996 total time= 1.9min

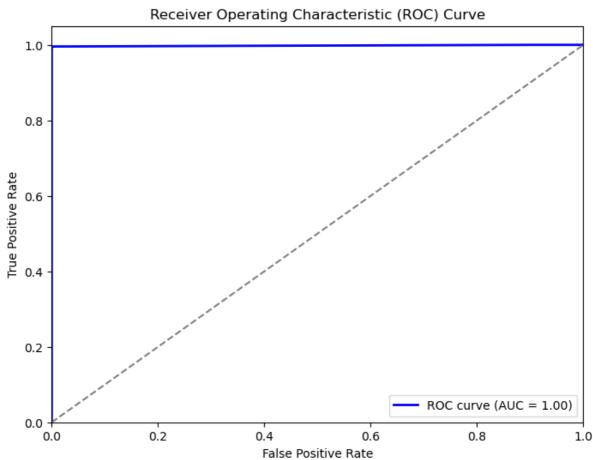
6 Model Traning, Testing And Evaluation

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In [86]:
               1 xgb_model.best_params_
           executed in 20ms, finished 18:39:21 2024-02-21
Out[86]: {'learning_rate': 0.05, 'max_depth': 100, 'max_leaves': 5, 'n_estimators': 100}
In [89]:
               1 best_model = xgb_model.best_estimator_
           executed in 14ms, finished 18:40:38 2024-02-21
In [91]:
               1 best_model.fit(X_train,y_train)
           executed in 3m 45s, finished 18:44:45 2024-02-21
Out[91]:
            ▶ XGBClassifier
           Model Evaluation
In [140]:
               1 xgb_prediction = best_model.predict(X_test)
               2 xgb_prob = best_model.predict_proba(X_test)
           executed in 773ms, finished 19:51:25 2024-02-21
```

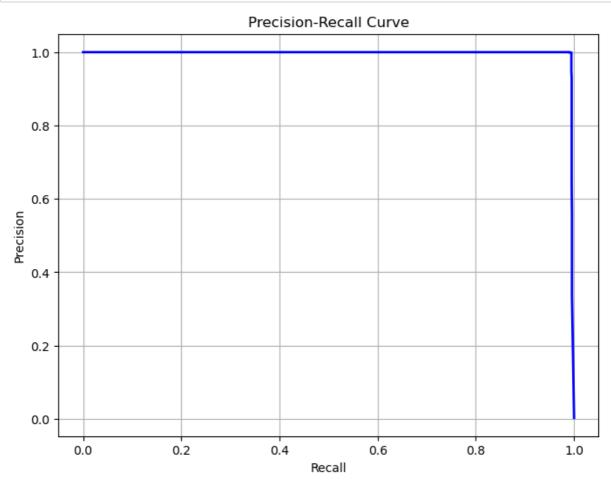
```
In [154]:
              1 print('\nAccuracy Score for the XGB Classifier Model :
                 ,accuracy_score(y_test,xgb_prediction))
              2 | print('\nPrecision Score for the XGB Classifier Model :
                 ,precision_score(y_test,xgb_prediction))
              3 print('\nRecall Score for the XGB Classifier Model
                 ,recall_score(y_test,xgb_prediction))
                print('\nF1 score for the XGB Classifier Model
                 ',f1_score(y_test,xgb_prediction))
              5 print('\nClassification Report
                                                                       :\n',
                classification report(y test,xgb prediction))
                print('\nconfusion Matrix
                 :\n',confusion_matrix(y_test,xgb_prediction))
                sns.heatmap(confusion matrix(y test,xgb prediction),annot=True)
                from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score, roc_curve
              9
             10 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
             11 | auc = roc_auc_score(y_test, xgb_prob[:, 1])
             12
             13 # Calculate ROC curve
             14 fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test, xgb_prob[:, 1])
             15
             16 # Plot ROC curve
             17 plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
             18 plt.plot(fpr, tpr, color='blue', lw=2, label='ROC curve (AUC =
                 {:.2f})'.format(auc))
             19 plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], color='gray', linestyle='--')
             20 plt.xlim([0.0, 1.0])
             21 plt.ylim([0.0, 1.05])
             22 plt.xlabel('False Positive Rate')
             23 plt.ylabel('True Positive Rate')
             24 plt.title('Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve')
             25 plt.legend(loc='lower right')
             26 plt.show()
          executed in 1.97s, finished 20:19:23 2024-02-21
```

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Accuracy Score for the XGB Classifier Model : 0.9999765377687779
Precision Score for the XGB Classifier Model: 0.999388379204893
Recall Score for the XGB Classifier Model
                                             : 0.9927095990279465
F1 score for the XGB Classifier Model
                                             : 0.9960377933556843
Classification Report
               precision
                            recall f1-score
                                               support
           0
                   1.00
                             1.00
                                       1.00
                                               552436
                             0.99
           1
                   1.00
                                       1.00
                                                 1646
                                       1.00
                                               554082
   accuracy
                                       1.00
                   1.00
                             1.00
                                               554082
  macro avg
weighted avg
                   1.00
                             1.00
                                       1.00
                                               554082
confusion Matrix
                                             :
 [[552435
               1]
     12
          1634]]
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```
precision, recall, thresholds = precision_recall_curve(y_test, xgb_prob[:, 1])
In [151]:
              2
              3
                 # Plot precision-recall curve
              4
                 plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
                 plt.plot(recall, precision, color='blue', lw=2)
              6
                 plt.xlabel('Recall')
              7
                 plt.ylabel('Precision')
                 plt.title('Precision-Recall Curve')
              9
                 plt.grid(True)
                 plt.show()
           executed in 182ms, finished 20:08:31 2024-02-21
```



XGBoost classifier model appears to perform exceptionally well on the dataset, achieving high accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score. Here are some key points to highlight model performance:

High Accuracy: The model achieves an accuracy score of approximately 99.99%, indicating that it correctly classifies the vast majority of transactions as either fraudulent or non-fraudulent.

High Precision: The precision score of approximately 99.94% suggests that when the model predicts a transaction as fraudulent, it is correct almost every time. This indicates a low rate of false positives, where legitimate transactions are incorrectly flagged as fraudulent.

High Recall: The recall score of approximately 99.27% indicates that the model captures a high proportion of actual fraudulent transactions. It correctly identifies the vast majority of fraudulent transactions in the dataset.

High F1-score: The F1-score, which is the harmonic mean of precision and recall, is approximately 99.60%. This score balances the trade-off between precision and recall, providing a single metric to evaluate the model's overall performance.

Confusion Matrix: The confusion matrix provides a detailed breakdown of the model's predictions, showing the number of true positives, true negatives, false positives, and false negatives. In this case, there are very few false positives and false negatives, indicating strong performance.

Imbalance Handling: Since fraud detection often deals with imbalanced datasets (where fraudulent transactions are rare compared to legitimate ones), it's important to ensure that the model performs well on both classes. Your model seems to handle this imbalance effectively, as evidenced by the classification report and confusion matrix.

Overall, XGBoost classifier model demonstrates excellent performance in detecting fraudulent transactions, with high accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score. These results suggest that the model is

7 Undersampling to Balance the Data

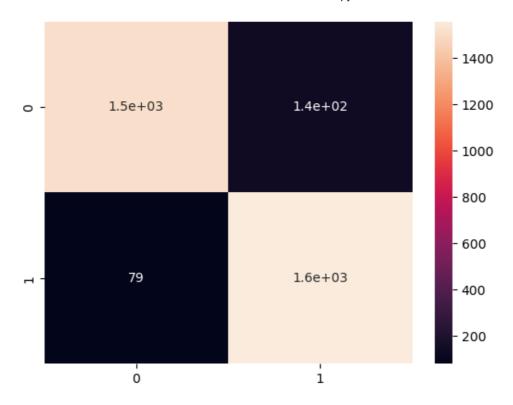
```
In [122]:
                 from imblearn.under sampling import RandomUnderSampler
               2
               3
                 undersampling_ratio = {0: 8213} # Set the number of samples for the majority
                 class to be equal to the minority class
               4
                 rus = RandomUnderSampler(sampling strategy=undersampling ratio,
                 random_state=42)
               6
               7 X_resampled, y_resampled = rus.fit_resample(X, y)
           executed in 608ms. finished 19:19:12 2024-02-21
In [123]:
                 print('X resampled shape : ',X_resampled.shape)
                 print('y resampled shape : ',y_resampled.shape)
               2
           executed in 13ms, finished 19:19:13 2024-02-21
           X resampled shape: (16426, 10)
           y resampled shape :
                                 (16426,)
In [124]:
               1 y_resampled.value_counts()
           executed in 19ms, finished 19:19:16 2024-02-21
Out[124]:
          a
                8213
                8213
           Name: isFraud, dtype: int64
In [125]:
               1 | X train resample, X test resample, y train resample, y test resample =
                 train_test_split(X_resampled,y_resampled, test_size = 0.2, random_state = 42)
           executed in 19ms, finished 19:19:30 2024-02-21
In [133]:
                 rf_clf.fit(X_train_resample,y_train_resample)
               3 rf_pred = rf_clf.predict(X_test_resample)
                 print(classification_report(y_test_resample,rf_pred))
           executed in 3.12s, finished 19:29:51 2024-02-21
                          precision
                                        recall f1-score
                                                             support
                       0
                                1.00
                                          1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                                1649
                       1
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                                1637
                                                     1.00
               accuracy
                                                                3286
              macro avg
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                                3286
           weighted avg
                                1.00
                                           1.00
                                                     1.00
                                                                3286
```

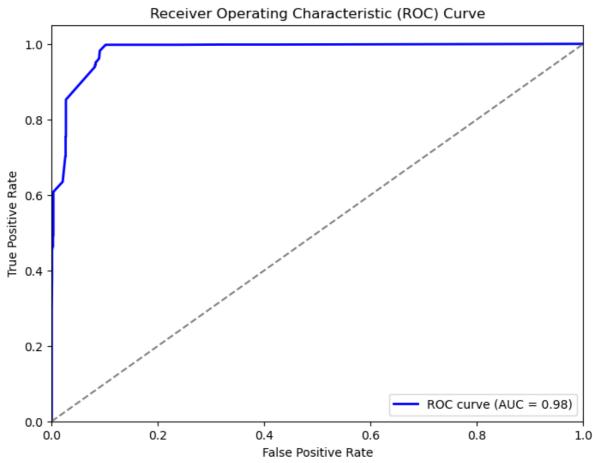
```
In [*]:
            1 from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
            2 rf_clf = RandomForestClassifier()
            3
            4
               parameters = {'n_estimators':[100,200],
            5
                   'criterion' : ['gini', 'entropy'],
                   'max_depth' : [100,200,300],
            6
            7
                   'min_samples_split' : [5,10,20],
                   'min_samples_leaf' : [1, 2, 5],
            8
            9
                   'max_leaf_nodes' : [1, 2],
           10
                   'bootstrap' : [True],
                   'oob_score' : [True],
           11
           12 }
           13
               rf model = GridSearchCV(rf clf,param grid=parameters,cv=5,verbose=1)
           14
           15 rf_model.fit(X_train_resample,y_train_resample)
         execution queued 20:28:01 2024-02-21
```

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Fitting 5 folds for each of 216 candidates, totalling 1080 fits
In [138]:
                 print('best parameters : ',rf_model.best_params_)
                 print('best score : ',rf_model.best_score_)
              3 rf_classifier = rf_model.best_estimator_
          executed in 16ms, finished 19:49:01 2024-02-21
          best parameters : {'bootstrap': True, 'criterion': 'entropy', 'max_depth': 200, 'ma
           x_leaf_nodes': 2, 'min_samples_leaf': 1, 'min_samples_split': 10, 'n_estimators': 20
          0, 'oob score': True}
                          : 0.9410958904109588
          best score
In [143]:
                 rf_classifier.fit(X_train_resample,y_train_resample)
                 rf_prediction_resampled = rf_classifier.predict(X_test_resample)
              3 rf_prob = rf_classifier.predict_proba(X_test_resample)
          executed in 3.03s, finished 19:54:00 2024-02-21
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In [155]:
              1 print('\nAccuracy Score for the XGB Classifier Model :
                 ,accuracy_score(y_test_resample,rf_prediction_resampled))
                print('\nPrecision Score for the XGB Classifier Model :
                 ,precision_score(y_test_resample,rf_prediction_resampled))
                print('\nRecall Score for the XGB Classifier Model
                 ,recall_score(y_test_resample,rf_prediction_resampled))
                print('\nF1 score for the XGB Classifier Model
                 ',f1_score(y_test_resample,rf_prediction_resampled))
                print('\nClassification Report
                classification report(y test resample,rf prediction resampled))
                print('\nconfusion Matrix
                 :\n',confusion_matrix(y_test_resample,rf_prediction_resampled))
                sns.heatmap(confusion matrix(y test resample,rf prediction resampled),annot=Tr
                ue)
              9
                from sklearn.metrics import roc_auc_score, roc_curve
             10 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
             11 | auc = roc_auc_score(y_test_resample, rf_prob[:, 1])
             12
             13 # Calculate ROC curve
             14 fpr, tpr, thresholds = roc_curve(y_test_resample, rf_prob[:, 1])
             15
             16 # PLot ROC curve
             17
                plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
             18 plt.plot(fpr, tpr, color='blue', lw=2, label='ROC curve (AUC =
                {:.2f})'.format(auc))
             19 | plt.plot([0, 1], [0, 1], color='gray', linestyle='--')
             20 plt.xlim([0.0, 1.0])
             21 plt.ylim([0.0, 1.05])
             22 plt.xlabel('False Positive Rate')
             23 plt.ylabel('True Positive Rate')
             24 plt.title('Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) Curve')
                plt.legend(loc='lower right')
             25
             26
                plt.show()
          executed in 298ms, finished 20:19:50 2024-02-21
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Accuracy Score for the XGB Classifier Model : 0.9339622641509434
Precision Score for the XGB Classifier Model: 0.9186320754716981
Recall Score for the XGB Classifier Model
                                             : 0.9517409896151496
F1 score for the XGB Classifier Model
                                                0.9348934893489349
Classification Report
               precision
                            recall f1-score
                                               support
           0
                   0.95
                             0.92
                                       0.93
                                                 1649
           1
                   0.92
                             0.95
                                       0.93
                                                 1637
                                       0.93
                                                 3286
    accuracy
                   0.93
                             0.93
                                       0.93
                                                 3286
  macro avg
weighted avg
                   0.93
                             0.93
                                       0.93
                                                 3286
confusion Matrix
 [[1511 138]
 [ 79 1558]]
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8 2. Describe your fraud detection model in elaboration.

The fraud detection model is designed to accurately identify fraudulent transactions while minimizing false positives and maintaining efficiency in processing large volumes of data. Here's an elaboration of the model:

8.1 Data Preprocessing:

Impoting Dependencies: The model begins by importing essential Python packages, modules, and libraries required for subsequent operations.

Data Analysis: A thorough analysis of the dataset is conducted, including an overview of its size, shape, data types, missing values, and duplicate entries. Insights into feature distributions and transaction types are gleaned through exploratory data analysis (EDA).

Missing Value Handling: No missing values are observed in the dataset, ensuring data completeness.

Duplicate values: Duplicate Values: Duplicate values are absent in the dataset, ensuring data integrity.

Exploratory Data Analysis: Identifying Unique Categories in Each column. Counting Total number of unique values in each column Percentages of the types of transaction in type column features which is the important factor in transactions.

8.2 Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA):

Identifying Unique Categories: The model identifies unique categories within each column and calculates the total number of unique values in each feature. Transaction Type Distribution: A detailed examination of transaction types and their percentages provides insights into the dataset's composition. Data Visualization: Visualization techniques, such as value counts and histograms, are employed to gain further insights into feature categories and distributions.

8.3 Data Cleaning:

Removing Unnecessary Columns: Irrelevant columns are removed to streamline the dataset. Correlation Matrix: Checking Feature Importance and relation using correlation Matrix Taking Relevent Datapoints Raws from observations Handling Multicollinearity: Address multicollinearity by performing Correlation Matrix techniques identify redundant features. Feature Engineering: Extract relevant features from the dataset, such as transaction amounts, timestamps, account balances, Originator account type, destination account type, and transaction types. Create additional features, such as error_balance_orig and error_balance_dest, to capture inconsistencies in account balances before and after transactions.

8.4 Model Selection:

Algorithm Selection: Robust algorithms, such as decision trees, random forests, and XGBoost classifiers, are chosen for their resilience to outliers and class imbalance. Logistic Regression: The logistic Regression model not perform well it is biased along with positive class can predict non_fraud class accurately because there is some issue with out data i.e. imbalanced dataset Tree-based algorithms (e.g., Decision Tree, Random Forest, Gradient Boosting): These algorithms handle non-linear relationships and are robust to outliers. Decision tree perform well on the data with highest accuracy with precision and f1 score 0.99 for both Xgb classifier performs best on the model like decision tree with high accuracy precision recall So we select the XGB classifier for our model training testing and evaluation and our work of detection of fraud. For we that we perform hyperparameter tuning with fewer parameter because of the computational capacity is no sufficient for the size of the data Neural Networks: I can't use this techniques because of the computional resources limitations for the large size of data almost 650K rows datapoints

8.5 Model Training:

Training Process: The chosen algorithms are trained on the training dataset while adjusting hyperparameters to achieve optimal performance. Evaluate model performance using appropriate metrics such as precision, recall, F1-score, and area under the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve.

8.6 Model Evaluation and Validation:

Hyperparameter Tuning: The selected algorithm XGBoost Classifier is fine-tuned using GridSearchCV and cross-validation techniques to optimize performance and reduce Overfitting. Performance Evaluation: The model's effectiveness is evaluated using metrics such as precision, recall, F1-score, and area under the ROC curve. Validation: The model's performance is validated on a separate Testing data to ensure its ability to generalize to unseen data.

8.7 Another Approach:

"We opted to address the class imbalance issue by employing random under sampling, a technique where the majority class instances are randomly subsampled to match the number of instances in the minority class. Following this preprocessing step, we applied the Random Forest Classifier algorithm to the balanced dataset. This approach yielded promising results, demonstrating high accuracy in our classification task."

8.8 Conclusion:

Overall Assessment: The fraud detection model represents a comprehensive system equipped with advanced techniques in data preprocessing, model selection, training, evaluation, and validation. Effective Fraud Detection: The model demonstrates high accuracy in identifying fraudulent transactions while minimizing false positives and maintaining operational efficiency. By following this structured

9 3. How did you select variables to be included in the model?

Selecting the most impactful variables or features significantly enhances decision-making strategies for fraud detection in customer transactions. The following features have been identified as crucial indicators:

Step (Timestamp): The timestamp of each transaction provides temporal information, allowing for analysis of patterns related to the occurrence of fraudulent transactions over time. Understanding the timing of fraudulent activity aids in developing proactive detection measures.

Amount: Transaction amount plays a pivotal role in distinguishing between fraudulent and genuine transactions. Unusually large or small transaction amounts often signal fraudulent behavior and are thus vital for accurate fraud detection.

Destination Account Type: Differentiating between destination account types, specifically distinguishing between customer-to-customer and customer-to-merchant transactions, is instrumental in identifying potential fraudulent activity. Transactions involving customer accounts, particularly those with other customers or merchants, often exhibit higher risks of fraud.

Balances Variables of Originator and Destination Accounts: Monitoring the balances of both originator and destination accounts before and after transactions provides valuable insight into transaction legitimacy. Discrepancies or abnormalities in account balances can indicate potential fraudulent transactions and are therefore essential features for inclusion in the fraud detection model.

Error Balance Variables: Observing inconsistencies and unverified changes in balances after transactions further strengthens the fraud detection mechanism. Introducing features such as "error_balance_orig" and "error_balance_dest" allows for the identification of transactions exhibiting irregularities in balance changes, thus enhancing the ability to detect fraudulent activities effectively.

By incorporating these key features into the model-building process, financial institutions can improve their fraud detection capabilities and make more informed decisions regarding the authenticity of customer transactions. These features provide valuable insights into transactional behavior and account activity, enabling proactive measures to mitigate the risks associated with fraudulent activities.

10 4. Demonstrate the performance of the model by using best set of

tools.

To demonstrate the performance of the fraud detection model using the best set of tools, i follow these steps:

Selection Evaluation Metrics: Used appropriate evaluation metrics for assessing the model's performance. For fraud detection, common metrics include accuracy, precision, recall, F1-score, and area under the ROC curve (AUC-ROC).

Preparing Test Data: Split dataset into training and testing sets. Used the training set to train the model and the testing set to evaluate its performance. Ensured that both sets represent the underlying distribution of fraudulent and non-fraudulent transactions.

Training the Model: Utilizin the best-performing model obtained from experiments. This is a result of hyperparameter tuning or selecting the best-performing algorithm based on cross-validation results.

Evaluation the Model: Applying the trained model to the test data and compute the chosen evaluation metrics. This step provides insights into how well the model generalizes to unseen data and its effectiveness in detecting fraudulent transactions.

Visualizing Results: Visualizing the model's performance using appropriate tools such as confusion matrices, ROC curves, precision-recall curves of predicted probabilities. These visualizations provide a comprehensive understanding of the model's behavior across different thresholds.

Interpretation and Analysis: Interpret the evaluation metrics and visualizations to assess the model's strengths and weaknesses. Identify areas where the model performs well and areas for improvement

11 5. What are the key factors that predict the fraudulent customers?

The key factors predicting fraudulent customers, several considerations need to be addressed are following:

Transaction Types: Analyzing transaction types is crucial, as certain types may exhibit higher rates of fraudulent activity. In many cases, transactions categorized as "TRANSFER" and "CASH_OUT" tend to involve fraudulent behavior. Therefore, focusing on these transaction types could provide valuable insights for identifying fraudulent customers. Other transaction types may not typically exhibit fraudulent patterns, so they may not be as relevant for predictive modeling.

Amounts: The transaction amount plays a significant role in detecting fraudulent behavior. Unusually large or small transaction amounts may indicate fraudulent activity. Establishing thresholds or ranges for transaction amounts can help flag transactions that deviate from typical patterns, thereby assisting in the identification of potential fraud.

Balances in Originator and Destination Accounts: Examining the balances in both the originator and destination accounts before and after the transaction provides valuable context for assessing transaction legitimacy. Sudden, substantial changes in account balances following a transaction may raise suspicions of fraudulent activity. Comparing pre- and post-transaction balances allows for the detection of anomalous behavior that may signal fraudulent transactions.

the key factors for predicting fraudulent customers involve analyzing transaction types, amounts, and the pre- and post-transaction balances in originator and destination accounts. By focusing on these factors and incorporating them into predictive modeling techniques, financial institutions can enhance their ability to detect and prevent fraudulent activities effectively.

▼ 12 6. Do these factors make sense? If yes, How? If not, How not?

Yes, these factors do make sense for predicting fraudulent customers. Here's why:

Transaction Types: Focusing on specific transaction types such as "TRANSFER" and "CASH_OUT" is logical because these types of transactions often involve the movement of funds between accounts, which can be indicative of fraudulent behavior. Fraudsters may exploit these transaction types to transfer funds illicitly or cash out stolen funds, making them key indicators for fraud detection.

Amounts: Transaction amounts are important because fraudulent transactions often involve unusually large or small amounts compared to legitimate transactions. By setting thresholds or ranges for transaction amounts, financial institutions can flag transactions that fall outside these norms for further investigation. This helps in identifying potential fraudulent activity based on the magnitude of the transaction.

Balances in Originator and Destination Accounts: Monitoring changes in account balances before and after transactions allows for the detection of suspicious patterns. Fraudulent transactions may result in significant alterations to account balances, such as sudden depletion or substantial increases in funds. By comparing pre- and post-transaction balances, anomalies can be identified, leading to the detection of potential fraud.

In conclusion, these factors make sense for predicting fraudulent customers because they provide valuable insights into transactional behavior and account activity, which are commonly exploited by fraudsters. Analyzing transaction types, amounts, and account balances enables financial institutions to implement effective fraud detection measures and mitigate potential risks associated with fraudulent

13 7. What kind of prevention should be adopted while company update its infrastructure? for decrease in fraudulent transaction and detecting fraudulent transaction

When a company updates its infrastructure, especially in the context of financial transactions, it's crucial to implement robust prevention measures to decrease fraudulent transactions and enhance fraud detection capabilities. Here are some key prevention strategies:

Encryption and Secure Communication: Ensure that all communication channels, including data transmission between systems and with customers, are encrypted using strong cryptographic protocols. This prevents interception and tampering of sensitive information by unauthorized parties.

Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA): Implement MFA for user authentication, requiring users to provide multiple forms of verification such as passwords, biometrics, or security tokens. This adds an extra layer of security and makes it harder for fraudsters to gain unauthorized access to accounts or systems.

Real-Time Monitoring and Alerts: Utilize advanced monitoring systems to track transactions in real-time and set up alerts for suspicious activities, such as large or unusual transactions, multiple failed login attempts, or deviations from typical customer behavior. Prompt notification of potential fraud enables immediate action to mitigate risks.

Machine Learning and Al-Based Fraud Detection: Deploy machine learning and artificial intelligence algorithms to analyze transaction data and identify patterns indicative of fraudulent behavior. These advanced analytics can detect anomalies, detect emerging fraud trends, and adapt to evolving fraud tactics more effectively than traditional rule-based systems.

Regular Security Audits and Penetration Testing: Conduct regular security audits and penetration testing to identify vulnerabilities in the updated infrastructure. Address any weaknesses promptly and continuously assess the effectiveness of security controls to stay ahead of potential threats.

Employee Training and Awareness Programs: Educate employees about the latest fraud schemes, cybersecurity best practices, and the importance of adhering to security protocols. Training programs should emphasize the role of employees in detecting and reporting suspicious activities to prevent fraud incidents.

By implementing these prevention measures while updating its infrastructure, a company can significantly reduce the occurrence of fraudulent transactions and enhance its ability to detect and

14 8. Assuming these actions have been implemented, how would you determine if they work?

Determining the effectiveness of the implemented fraud prevention measures involves ongoing monitoring, evaluation, and analysis of various performance indicators. Here's how you can assess whether the actions are working:

Reduction in Fraudulent Transactions: Compare the number and value of fraudulent transactions before and after implementing the prevention measures. A decrease in fraudulent activity indicates that the measures are effective in deterring or detecting fraudulent behavior.

False Positive Rates: Evaluate the rate of false positives, i.e., legitimate transactions incorrectly flagged as fraudulent. A decrease in false positives suggests that the prevention measures are accurately targeting suspicious activities without inconveniencing genuine customers.

Detection Time: Measure the time it takes to detect and respond to fraudulent transactions. Shorter detection times indicate improved efficiency in identifying and mitigating fraud, minimizing the impact on customers and reducing potential losses.

Customer Feedback: Gather feedback from customers regarding their experience with the updated security measures. Assess whether customers perceive the measures as effective, user-friendly, and non-intrusive. Positive feedback indicates that the measures strike a balance between security and convenience.

Financial Impact: Analyze the financial impact of fraud prevention efforts, considering factors such as fraud-related losses, cost savings from fraud prevention, and revenue retention due to enhanced customer trust. A positive return on investment (ROI) suggests that the prevention measures are effective in protecting the company's assets and preserving its reputation.

Compliance Adherence: Ensure ongoing compliance with regulatory requirements and industry standards for fraud prevention. Regular audits and assessments can verify that the implemented measures align with applicable laws and regulations, reducing legal and compliance risks.

Benchmarking Against Industry Standards: Compare the company's fraud prevention performance metrics against industry benchmarks and best practices. Benchmarking helps identify areas for improvement and ensures that the company remains competitive in its fraud prevention efforts.

Adaptation to Emerging Threats: Assess the ability of the prevention measures to adapt to evolving fraud tactics and emerging threats. Regular updates and enhancements to security protocols, algorithms, and detection mechanisms demonstrate the company's agility in responding to changing fraud landscape.

By monitoring these key performance indicators and regularly evaluating the effectiveness of fraud prevention measures, companies can continuously optimize their strategies to stay ahead of fraudsters and safeguard their assets and reputation.

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