

The background is a dark blue space filled with numerous glowing blue cubes of varying sizes and orientations. Some cubes are sharp and in focus, while others are blurred, creating a sense of depth. A complex network of thin, glowing blue lines crisscrosses the background, resembling a digital or neural network. A bright, multi-pointed starburst of light is positioned at the bottom center, casting a glow upwards.

Task 1:

Malicious Ethereum Addresses Detection

Case Study for BMW Interview

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Malicious Ethereum addresses Detection

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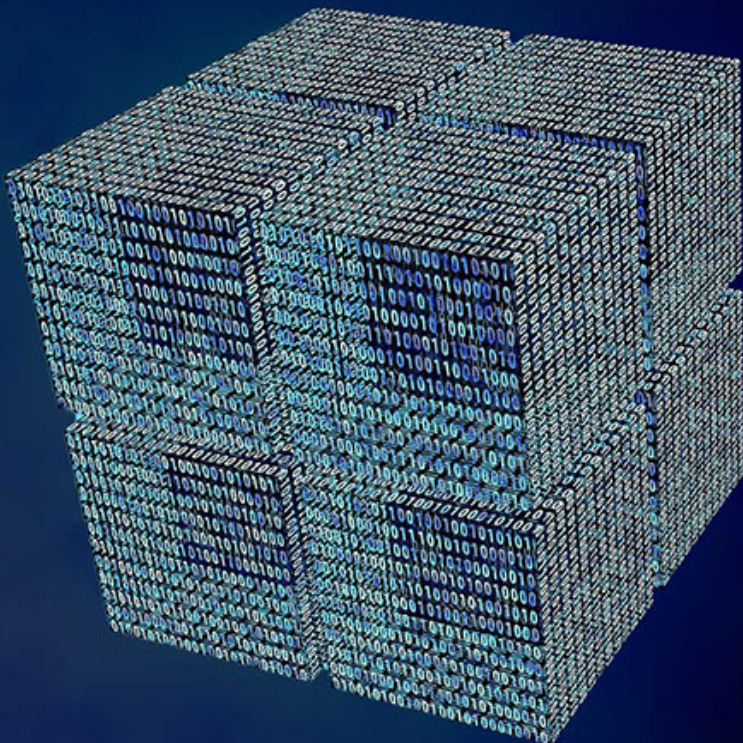
Modelling

Standard Machine Learning Models, Hyperparameter Optimization, Feature Importance

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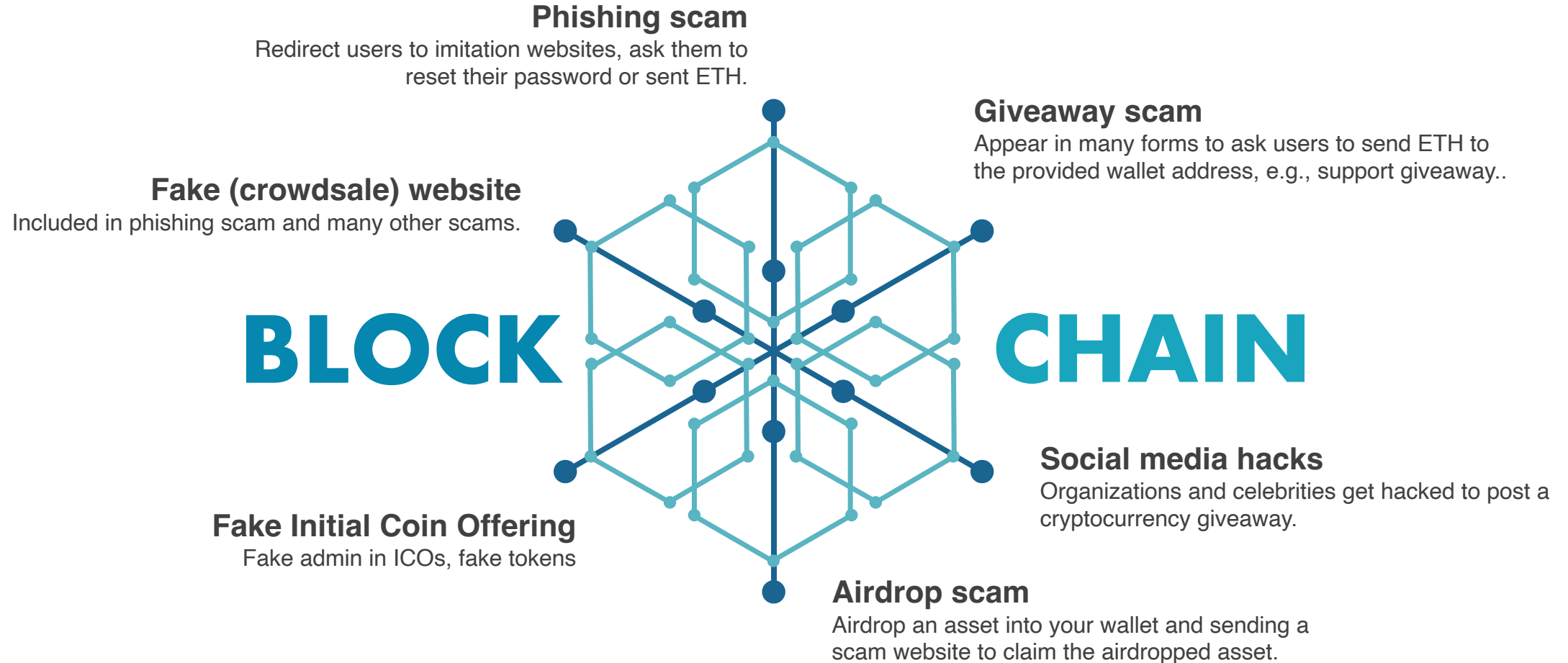
Solution & Discussion

Business Suggestions, Limitation



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Malicious Activities



Case Study Dataset

Task: To detect malicious addresses

Role: member of a Crypto startup

Transactions with features:

address
from address, to address, contractAddress
input
timestamp
value
gas, gasPrice, cumulativeGasUsed
isError, txreceipt_status
blockNumber, hash, nonce, blockHash, transactionIndex
transactionIndex, confirmations

**-> ML Objective: Prediction of maliciousness
(Binary classification)**

**Malicious
Addresses
with
Comments**

**Malicious
Transactions**

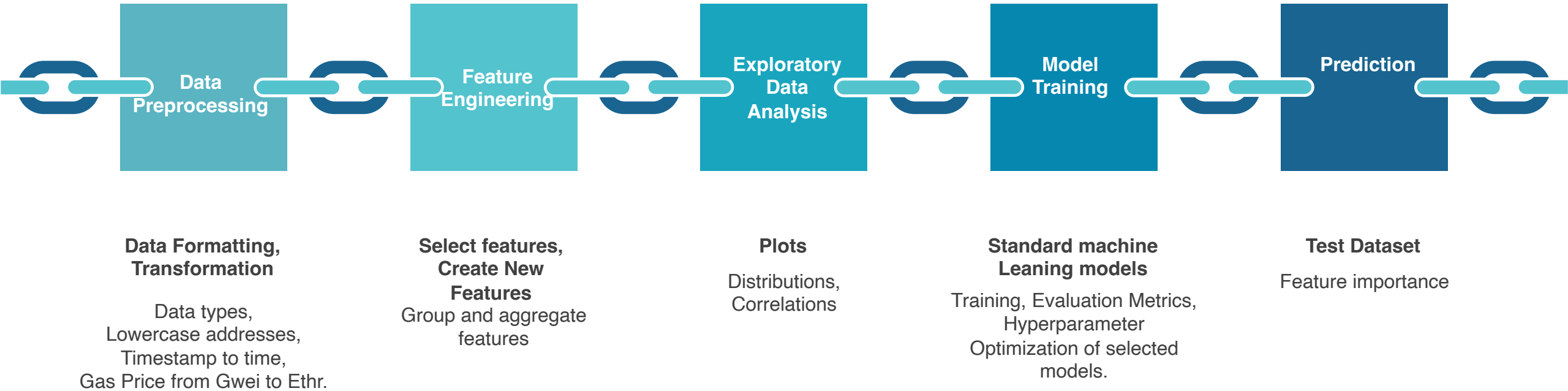
**Normal
Transactions**

**663 Addresses
268 Comments
From 2017-07-18
to 2020-11-17**

**551 Addresses
21961
Transactions
From 2017-05-20
to 2022-05-05**

**87 Addresses
30000
Transactions
From 2016-05-26
to 2022-06-08**

Machine learning Pipeline



Feature Engineering

Smart Contract
Address types and Transaction Types.

Time
Temporal aspect.

Gas Used and Price



Transactions Sent and Received
Bi-directional graph.

Value
Amount of Ether in the transactions.

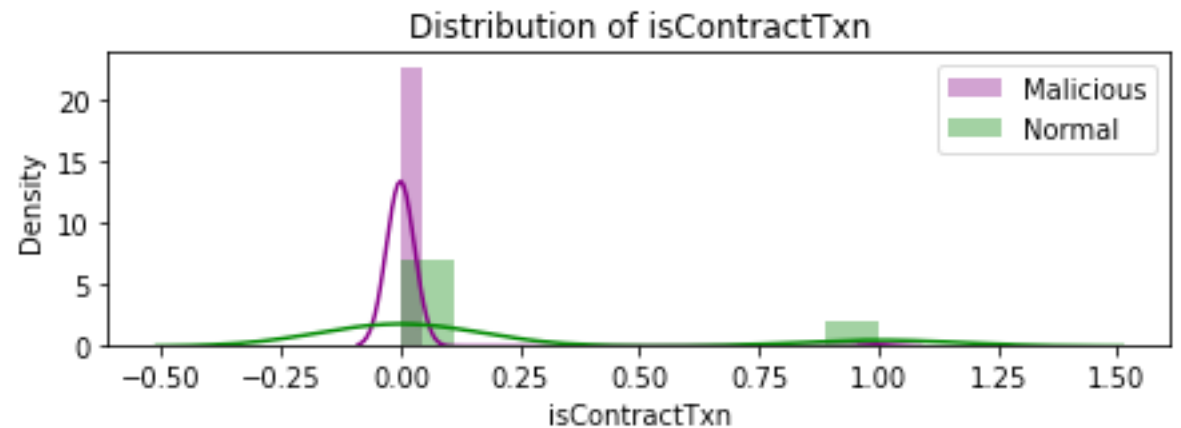
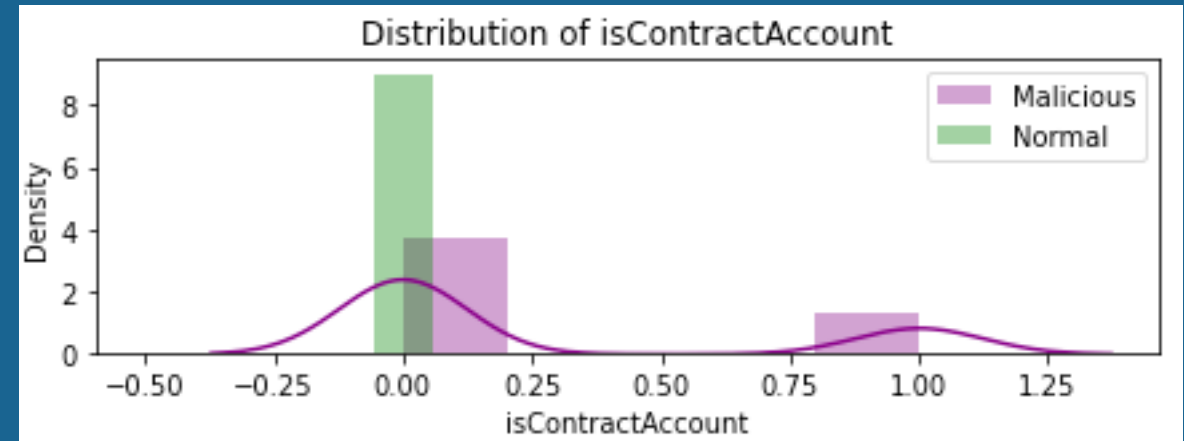
Failed and Error Transactions

Exploratory Data Analysis

Account Smart Contract (SC) Externally Owned (EOA)

Many of malicious addresses are not SC accounts, SC accounts can be malicious.

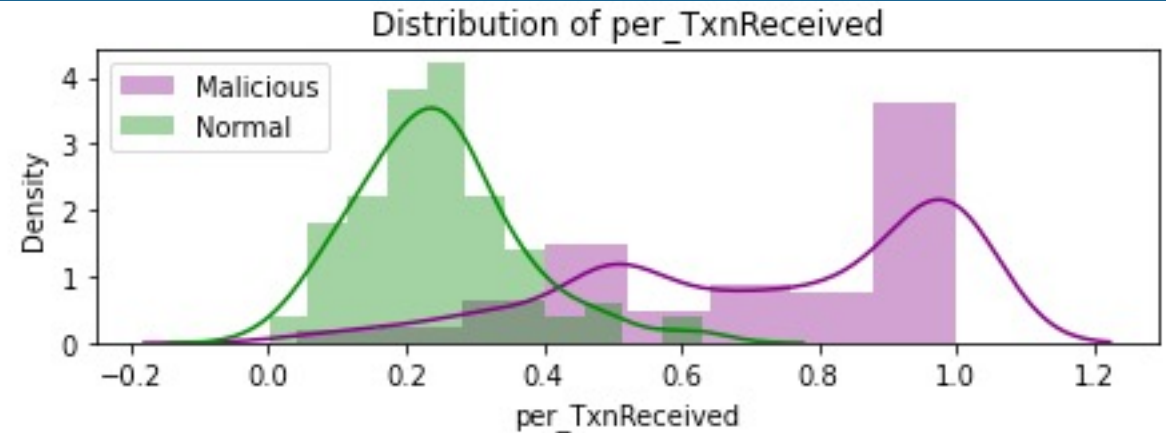
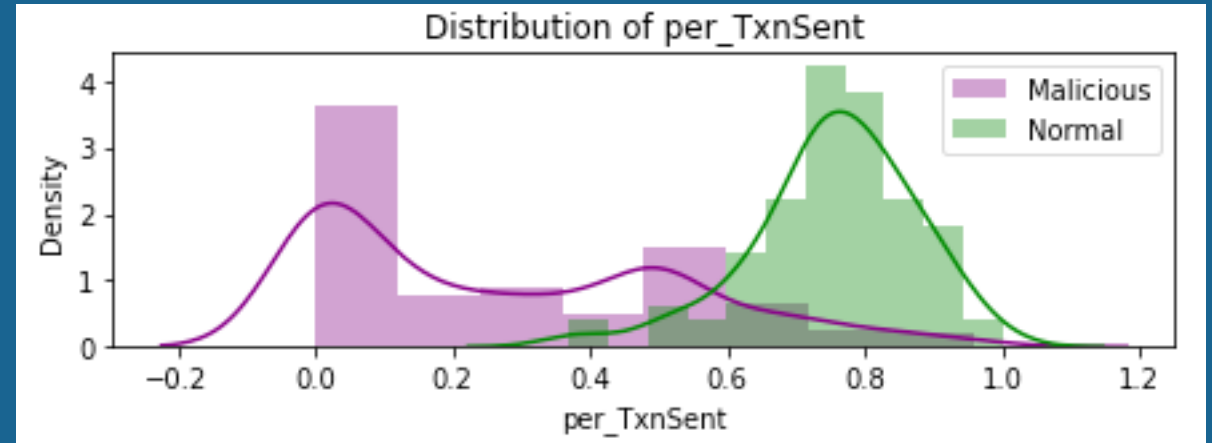
Malicious EOA accounts tend not to run on smart contract.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Transactions Sent Received

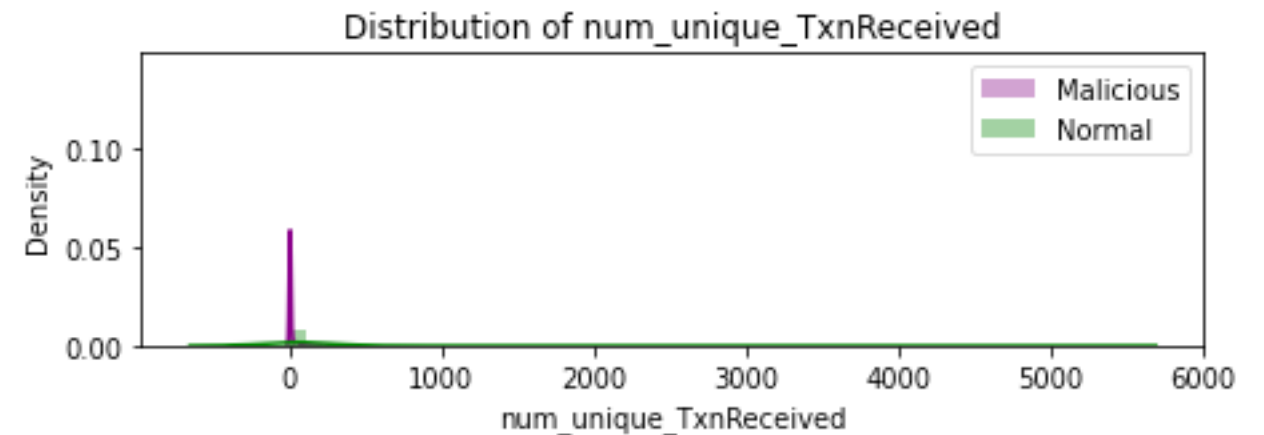
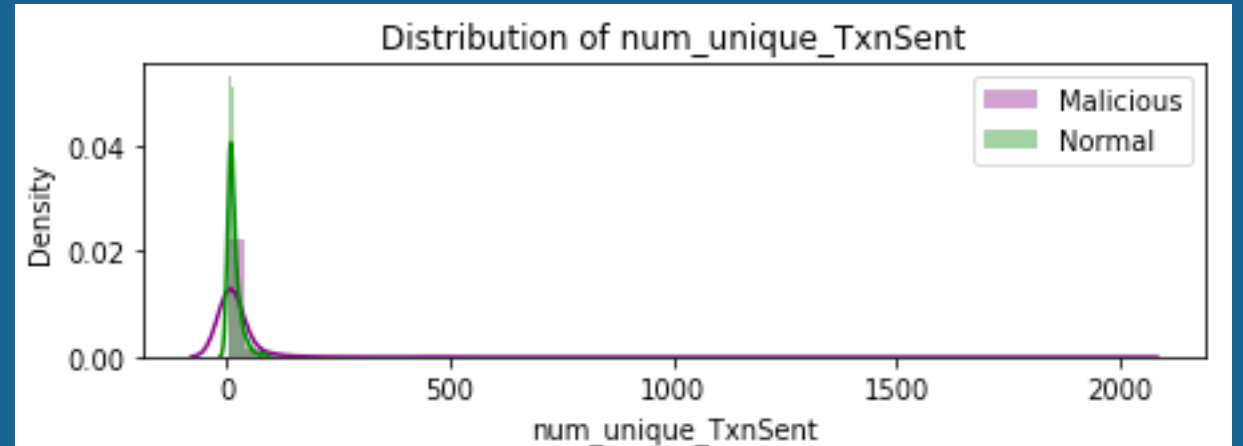
Malicious addresses have much more transactions received than sent, compared to normal addresses.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Unique Transactions Sent Received

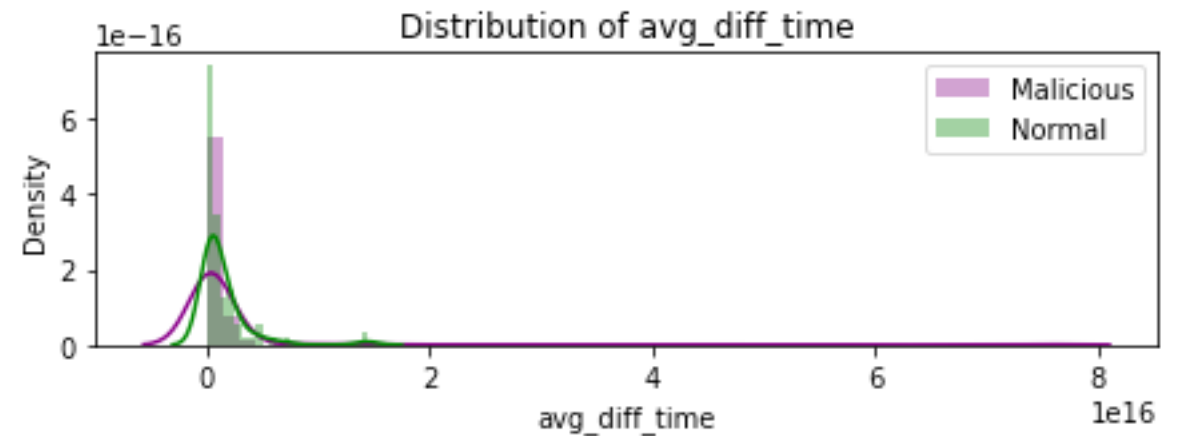
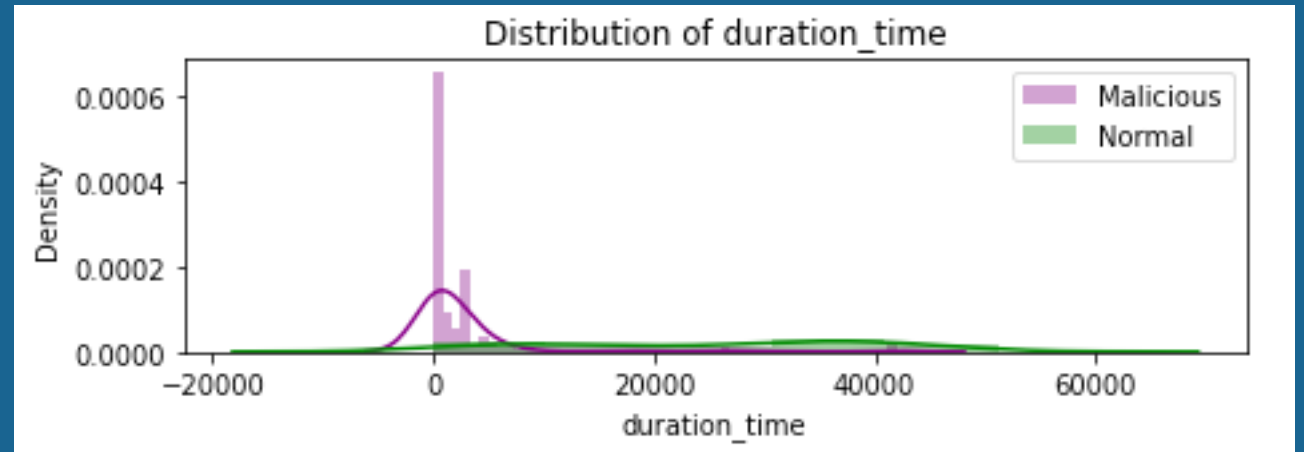
Malicious addresses tend to send transactions to less unique addresses, but receive transactions from more unique addresses.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Time
Duration
Difference

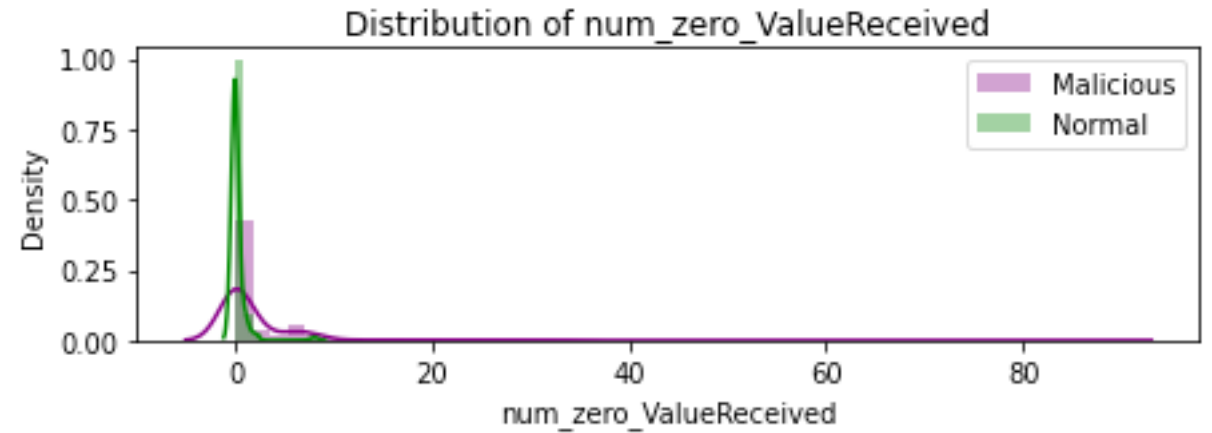
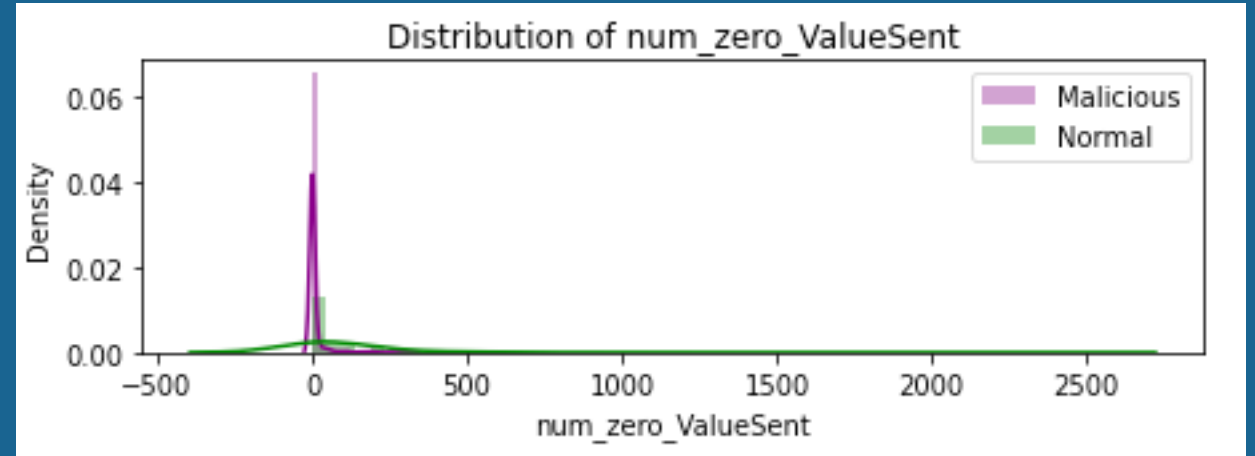
Malicious activities last shorter and with short intervals.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Value Sent Received

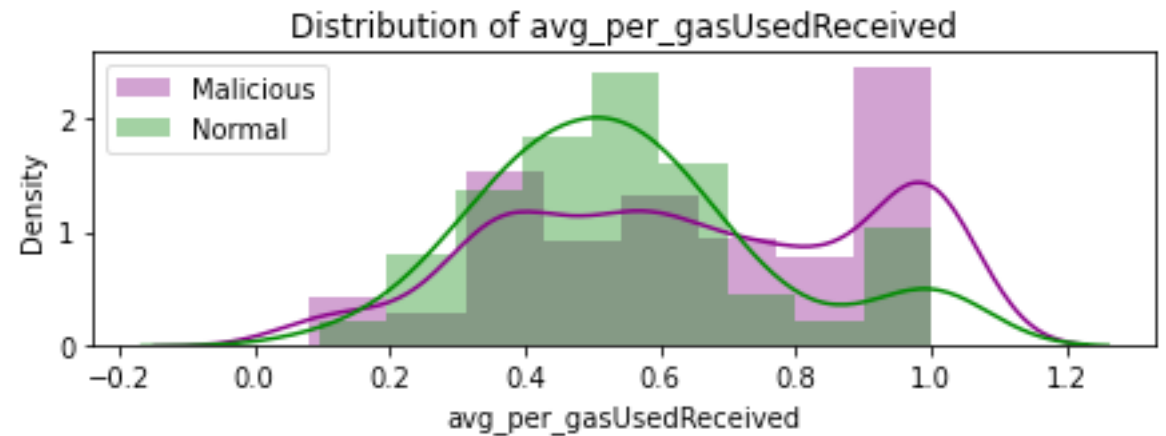
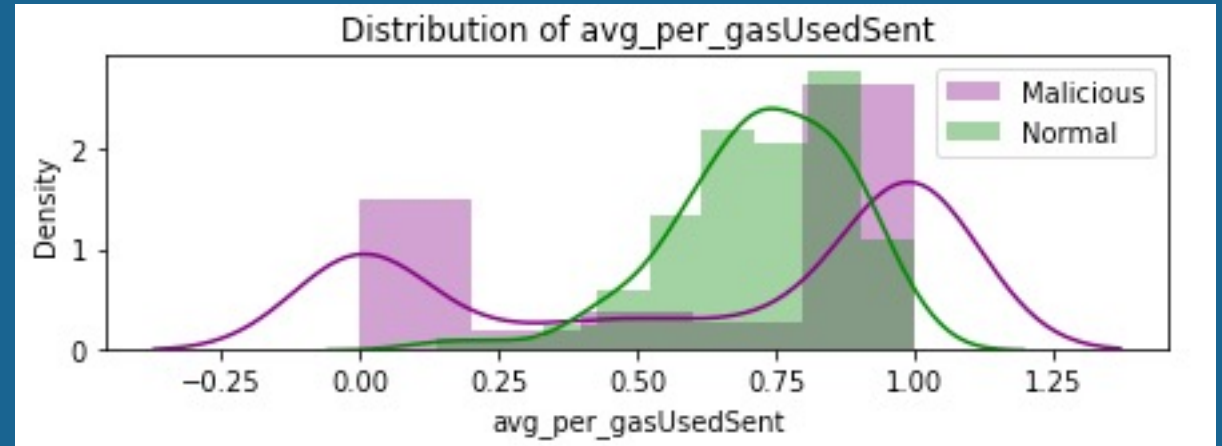
Malicious addresses send more zero value transactions, normal addresses receive more.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Average Percentage Gas Sent Received

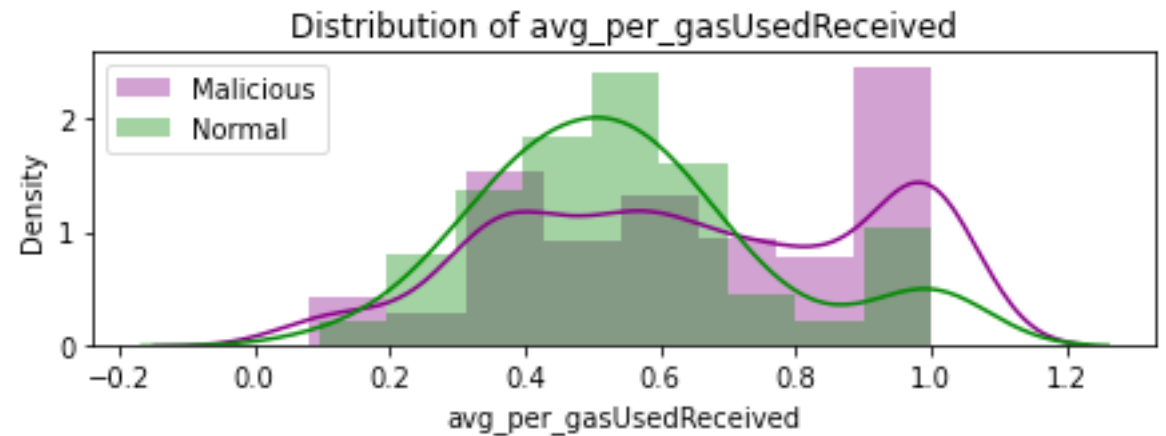
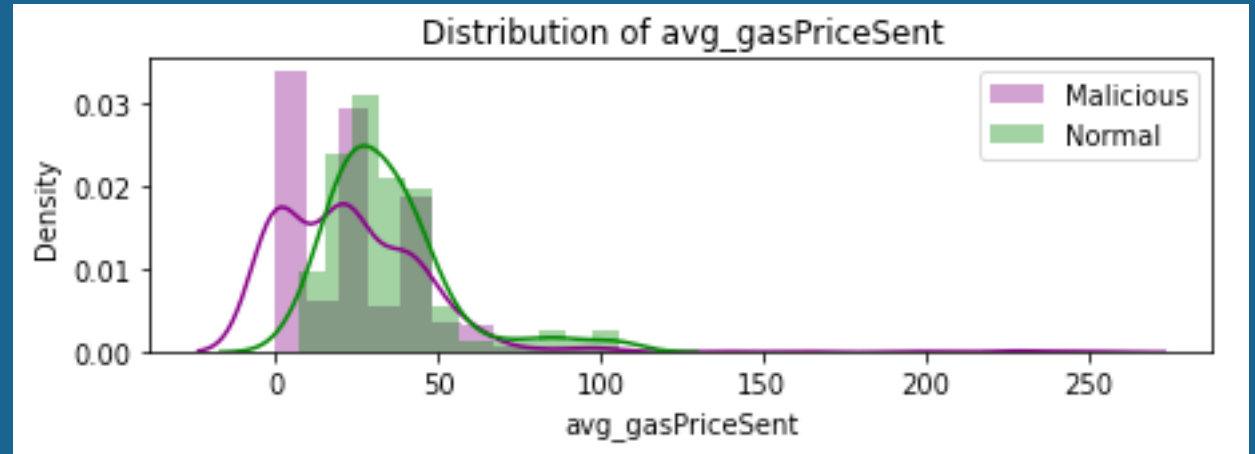
Malicious addresses tend to use the upper limit of the gas.



Exploratory Data Analysis

Average Gas Price Sent Received

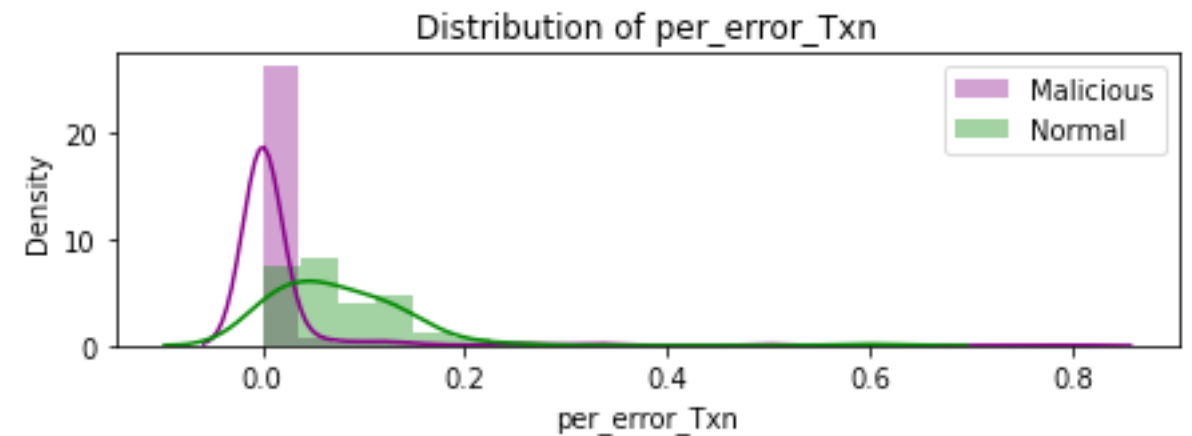
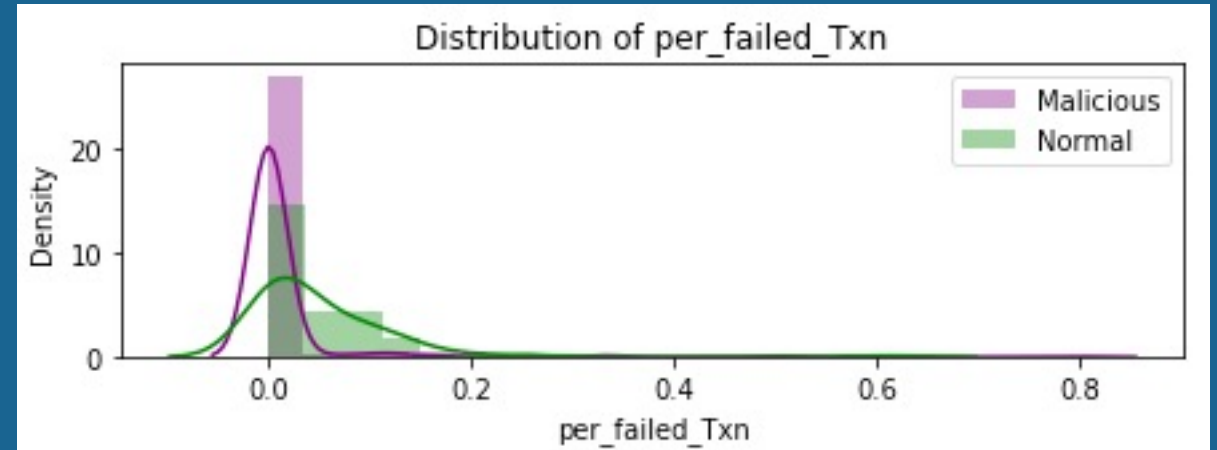
Malicious addresses set the gas price to be lower when sending the transactions, but when they receive transactions, it's much higher.



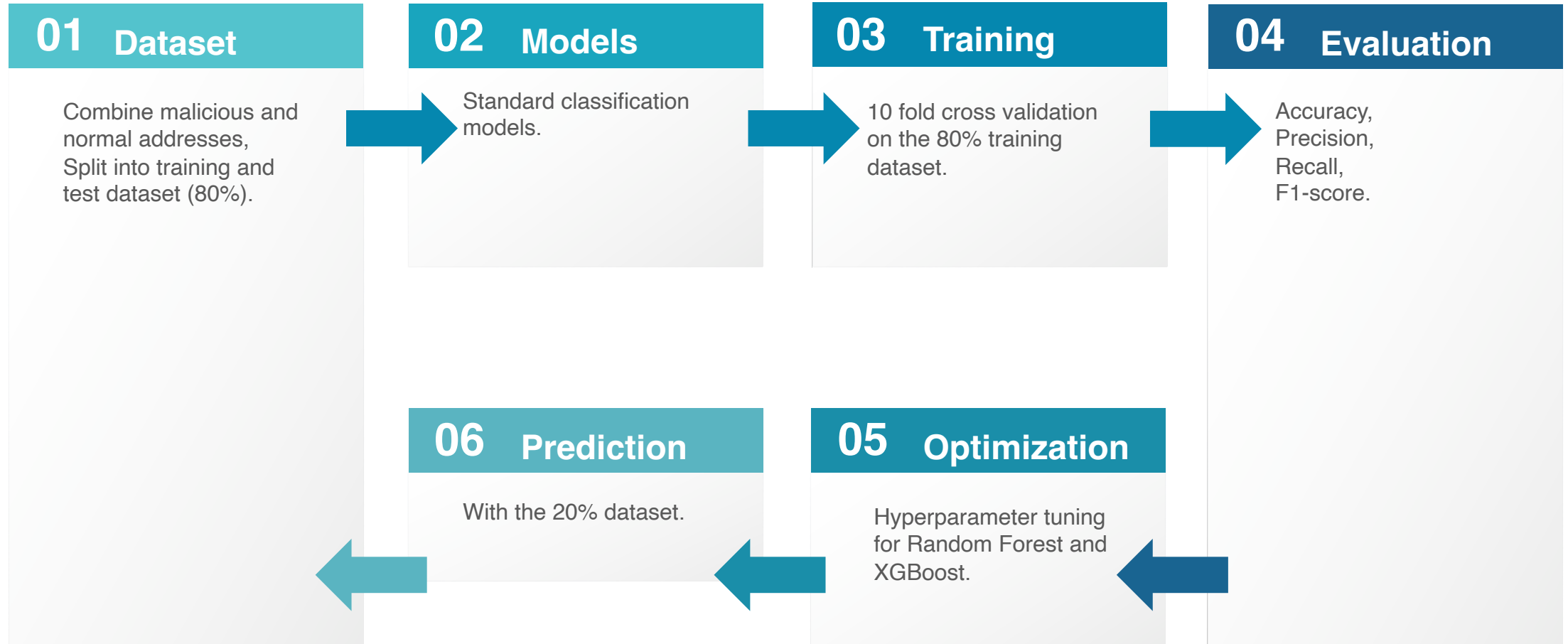
Exploratory Data Analysis

Transactions Failure Error

Malicious transactions are less likely to have error or fail.



Modelling



Performance

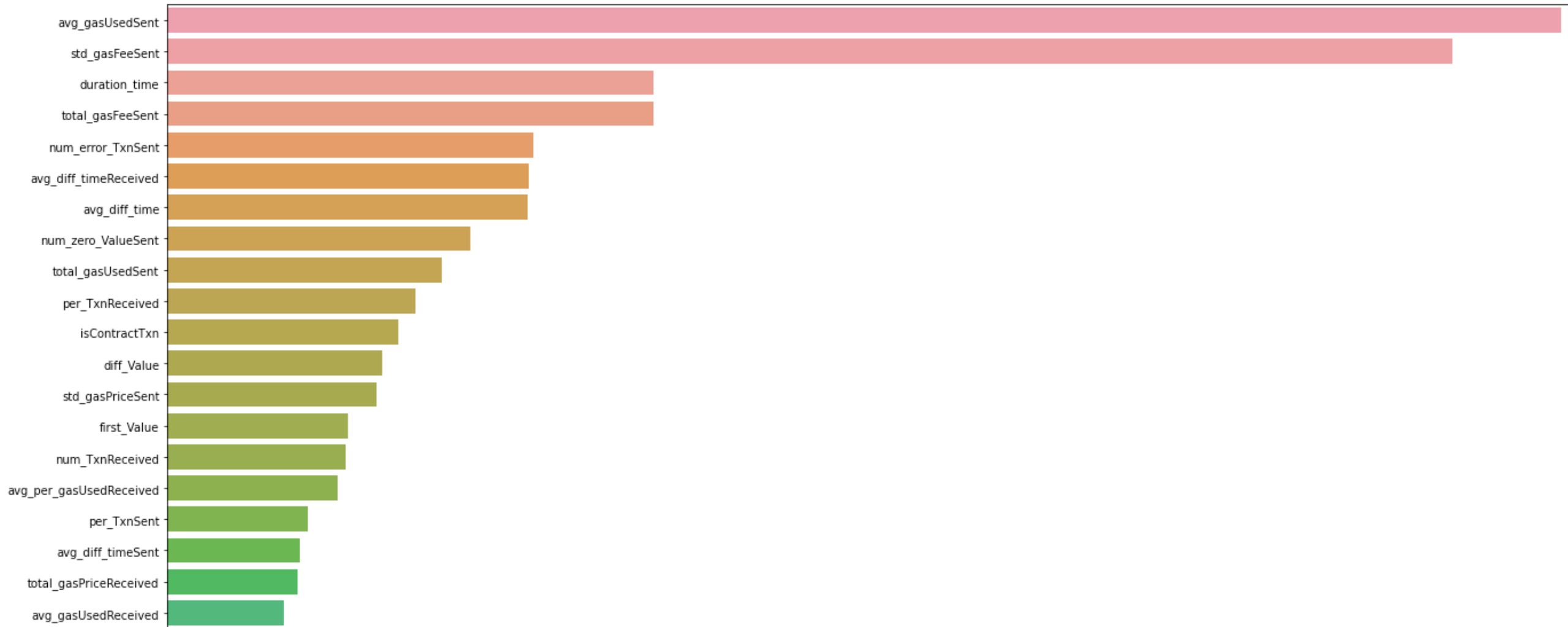
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Logistic Regression	0.858824	0.955820	0.880354	0.914815	0.875000	0.942857	0.908257	0.925234
SVM	0.872549	0.873333	0.997727	0.931354	0.851562	0.851562	1.000000	0.919831
KNN	0.888235	0.923547	0.950253	0.936462	0.859375	0.902655	0.935780	0.918919
Random Forest	0.968627	0.975648	0.988737	0.982070	0.945312	0.955357	0.981651	0.968326
XGBoost	0.966667	0.973478	0.988687	0.980974	0.945312	0.963636	0.972477	0.968037

Random Forrest and XGBoost outperform other models.

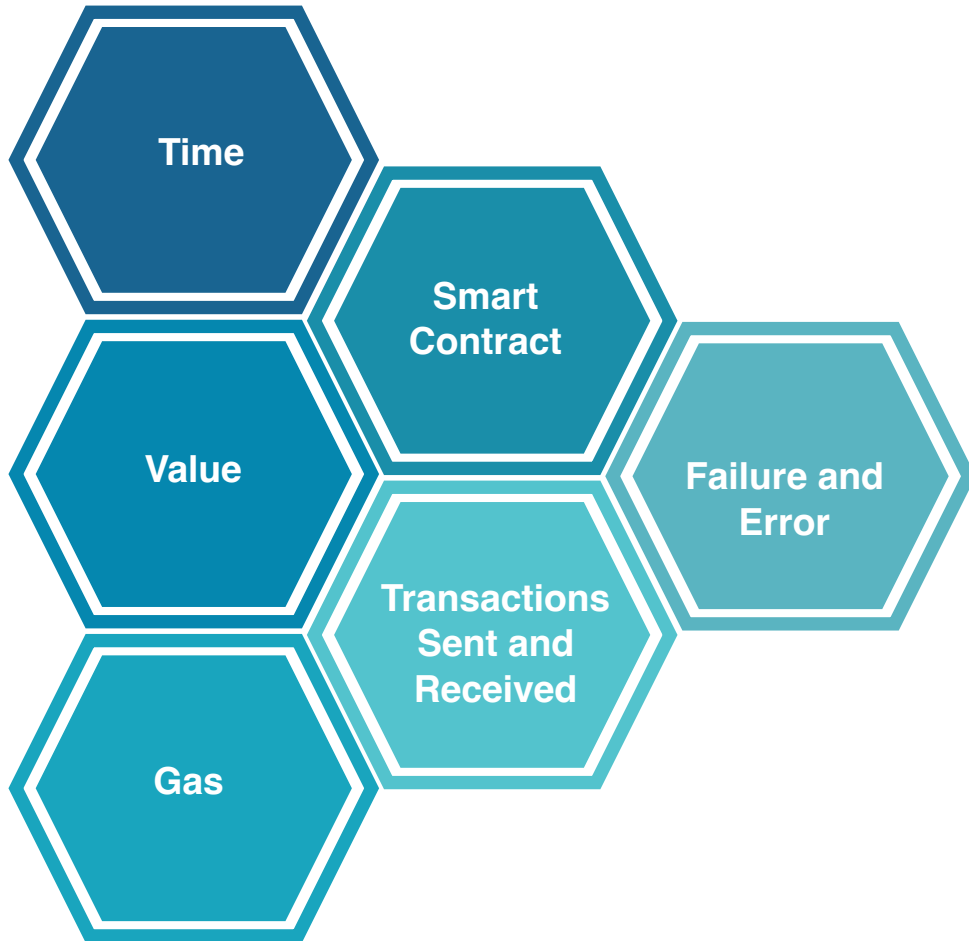
-> Hyperparameter tuning

-> Confusion Matrix: TP=107, TN=15, FP=4, FN=2

Feature Importance



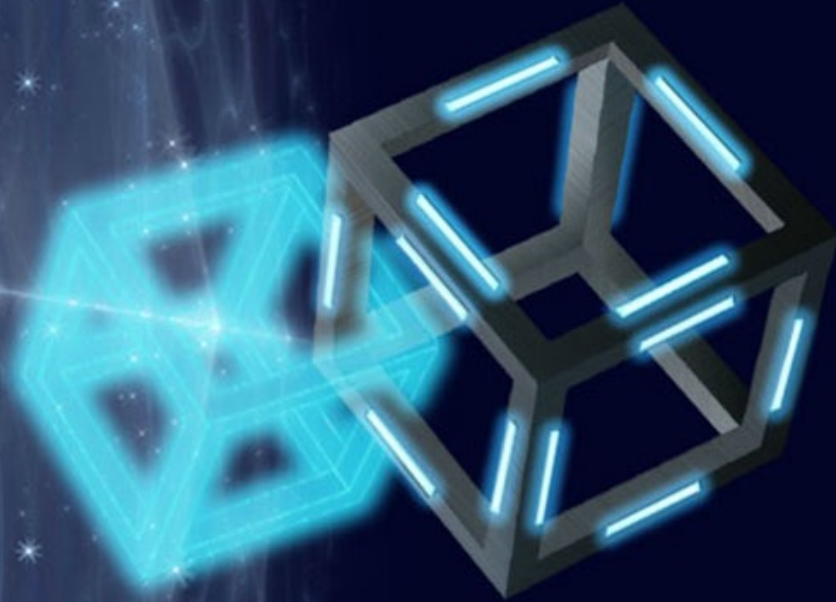
Solution & Discussion



Vulnerabilities of Smart Contract

Phishing Scams

Detection of Abnormal Value

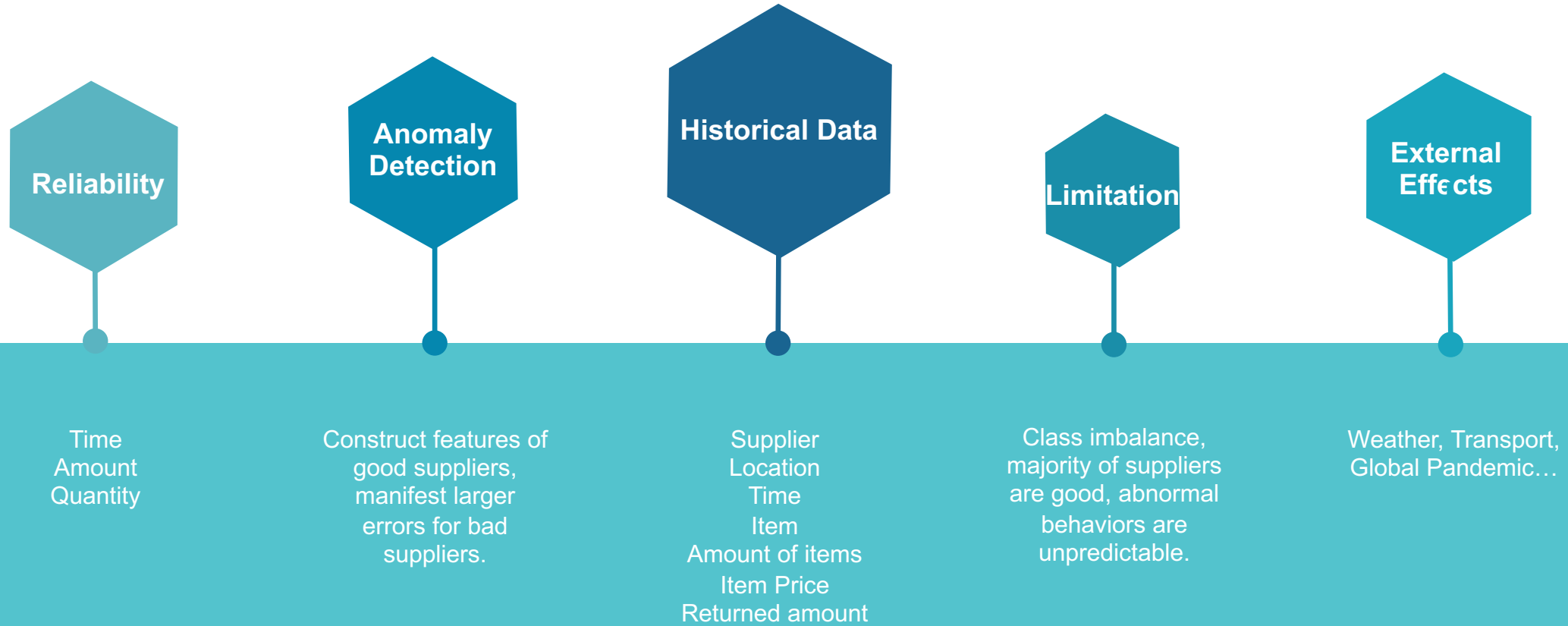


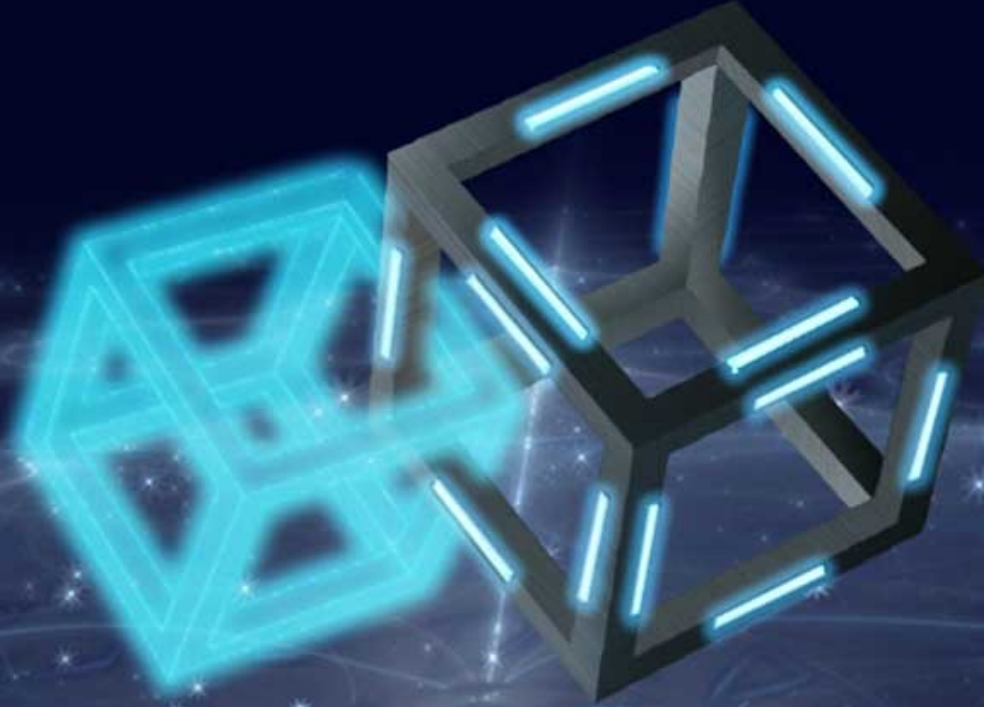
Task 2

Bad Suppliers Detection

Bad Suppliers Detection

Supply Chain for a Food Company





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