

Integration of Facial Recognition and Two-Step Verification in Credit card Fraud Detection using Machine Learning

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Abstract: *With the surge in online transactions, credit card fraud has become a significant issue, demanding efficient solutions for early detection and prevention. The rise in digital transactions has increased the demand for robust fraud detection systems. This project aims to develop a hybrid fraud detection system that integrates facial recognition technology with behavioural analysis to enhance security in credit card transactions.*

The system employs facial recognition algorithms, including Haar Cascades, Local Binary Patterns (LBP) to verify user identity. When a user initiates a transaction or logs in, their facial image is captured and compared to previously stored data using feature extraction techniques. Additionally, the system analyses behavioural data, such as login times, transaction locations, and spending habits, to identify anomalies indicative of fraud. By leveraging machine learning algorithms such as Support Vector Machines (SVM), CNNs the system learns from historical data and adapts to emerging patterns. This two-step verification process requires both a valid facial match and consistent user behaviour, significantly reducing false positives and negatives.

Keywords: *Face Recognition Technology, Credit Card Fraud Detection, Haar Cascade, Support Vector Machine (SVM), CNNs, Two-Step Verification, Real Time Authentication, Data Security.*

I. INTRODUCTION

Credit card fraud is a pervasive and evolving challenge in the modern financial landscape. As electronic transactions become increasingly prevalent, the need for robust fraud detection mechanisms becomes paramount. Traditionally, credit card fraud detection has relied on transaction data analytics, machine learning algorithms, and anomaly detection techniques. Credit card fraud, in particular, has emerged as a significant threat to both consumers and financial institutions. Traditional fraud detection systems primarily rely on analysing transactional data, identifying irregular patterns to flag potentially fraudulent activities. However, these methods often fall short when it comes to detecting unauthorized access by fraudulent users, leading to financial losses and compromised user trust.

To address these challenges, this project proposes a hybrid fraud detection system that integrates facial recognition technology with behavioural analysis. By combining these two approaches, the system enhances security in credit card transactions, providing a robust defence against fraudulent activities. Facial recognition serves as a vital layer of user authentication, ensuring that the person attempting to access the account is indeed the legitimate cardholder. Meanwhile, behavioural analysis assesses user behaviour patterns—such as login times, transaction locations, and spending habits—allowing the system to detect anomalies indicative of potential fraud.

Utilizing advanced machine learning algorithms, including Support Vector Machines (SVM), Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), the proposed system learns from historical data and adapts to emerging fraud patterns. This two-step verification mechanism not only improves the accuracy of fraud detection but also fosters user trust by ensuring secure transactions.

LITERATURE SURVEY

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Detection of fraud based on an examination of a cardholder's existing purchase data is a promising method of reducing the percentage of successful fraudulent. User is assigned to one of three categories: low, medium, or high. Facial recognition is now available in Python and OpenCV.
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To combat financial crime using advanced ML techniques. Feature Engineering techniques such as One hot encoding for categorical data.
3. Deep learning for credit card fraud detection (2024).
To signify current state of Deep Learning in credit card fraud detection. Deep learning techniques such as bidirectional GRU(Gated Recurrent Unit).
4. A Research Paper on Credit Card Fraud Detection.
To predict the fraud transactions like Outlier detection, unsupervised outlier detection. Apply different ML Models and evaluate the best Model.
5. Credit Card Fraud Detection using GA Algorithm:
To implement Feature Selection Algorithm to solve issue of High dimensionality.
ML Algorithms: 1.Random Forest
2.Naïve Bayes
3.Artificial Neural Network
6. The Importance of Future information in credit card fraud detection(2022).
To categorize transactions based on past transactions and characteristics of cardholder.

II. SYSTEM'S ARCHITECTURE

Haar Cascade is a Machine Learning algorithm mainly used for detection of objects. But in our project we are going to implement face recognition technology using haar cascade. Haar cascade will help us in hypothetical analysis . Haar cascade will be used in image processing for using our credit card fraud detection system. Haar cascade algorithm will mainly capture the facial parameters of the user using the system. This will help in data authenticity and security.

1.Preprocessing the data: Pre- processing the data collected from users that can be in the form of their transaction details and credit card information.

2.Feature Extraction: Feature Extraction transforms an arbitrary data, such as text or images, into numerical features that is understood by machine learning algorithms.

3.Haar Cascade & SVM Algorithm: This algorithm is used to identify the images and the facial parameters. The distinct facial features are extracted which can be used for the further analysis.

4.Two-Way Verification: Approve or deny transactions based on both facial verification and SVM classification. **5.Detect the fraud or not:** Based on the transactions of the user ,if a transaction exceeds a certain limit or a high value transaction occurs then the system will detect it as a fraud.

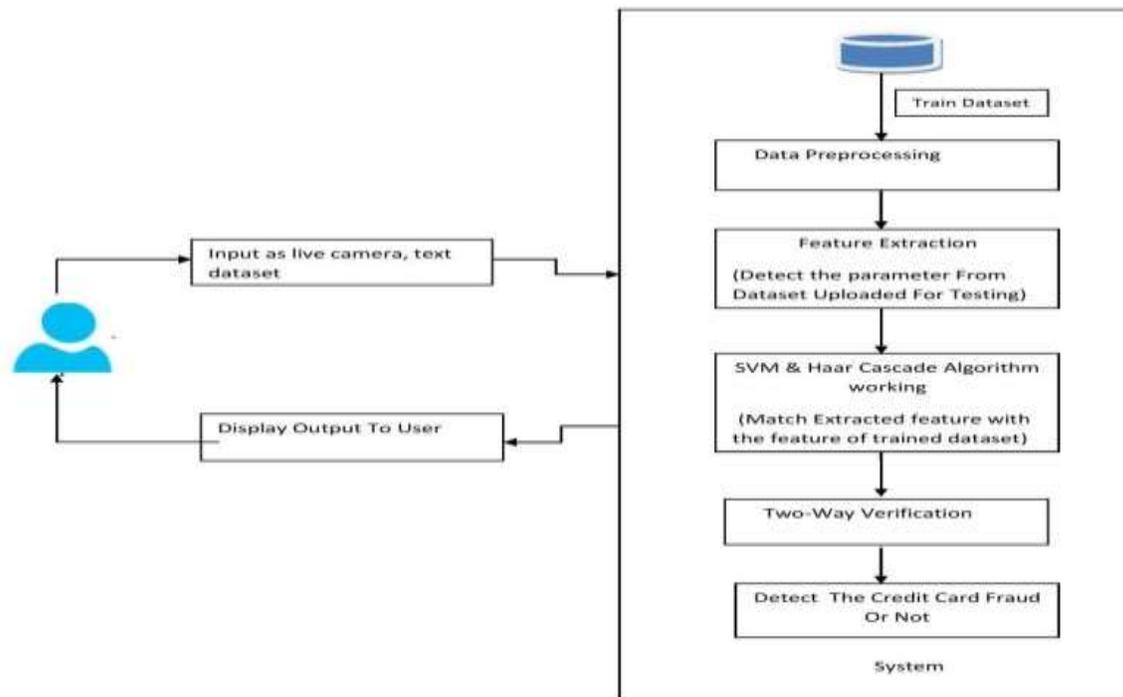


Fig. 1 System Architecture

We propose a two-way verification system for credit card fraud detection by integrating Support Vector Machine (SVM) for transactional analysis with facial recognition technology.

SVM algorithm analyzes transaction data based on historical patterns, distinguishing legitimate transactions from potentially fraudulent ones. **facial recognition** uses Haar Cascade Classifiers to verify the user's identity, comparing real-time facial features with stored images. This dual-layered approach improves accuracy and minimizes false positives and negatives.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

- Our Credit card fraud detection system successfully identifies the legitimate transactions and fraudulent transactions.
- The security of our Model is enhanced by integrating Face recognition and Two-step verification process.
- Accuracy displayed by Models:
 1. SVM Classifier Model:79.42%
 2. AdaBoost Model:91.77%



Fig-2 Face Attendance System



Fig-3 Person Authentication



Fig-4 Credit Card Fraud Detection System

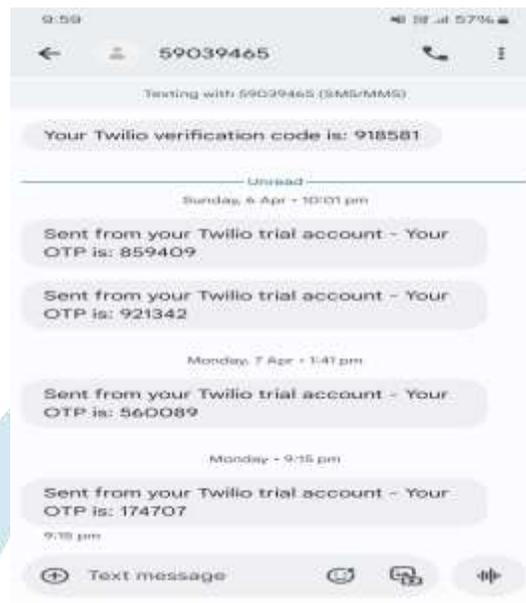


Fig-5 OTP Generation for Two-Step Verification

IV. CONCLUSION

We have implemented the credit card fraud detection system using face recognition technology and two step verification. Our system offers complete security to data as the verified users can access the system only. After verification of the user's identity and tracking their transaction details, analysis regarding the frauds committed are made. The additional way of including two-step verification process in fraud detection systems is successfully implemented. Next by taking advantage of structural similarity, we can identify and group potential Credit card accounts. Our model is based on machine learning algorithm's efficient used and results are predicted based on the accuracy.

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