# RESEARCH ARTICLE

# **Evaluation of Supervised Machine Learning Algorithms' Performance in Identifying Credit Card Fraud**

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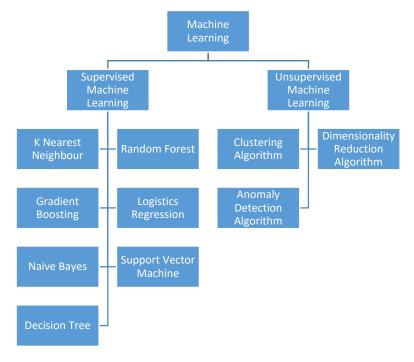
# ABSTRACT

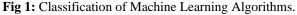
As online transactions have grown in popularity, the use of credit card transactions have become the most common online method. As the use of credit card is day by day, therefore the issues are also increasing rapidly. The process of making transactions with a fake cards is known as credit card fraud. Because it's becoming more and more prevalent, fraud seems to be a significant problem for the credit card industry. Advancements in technology and greater internet transactions have led to huge financial losses due to fraud. Machine learning automatically detects credit card fraud, but it ignores behavioural problems or fraud that could cause alerts. In this paper, Researcher have studied various Supervised Machine Learning Algorithm to predict and identify fraudulent credit card transactions.

Keywords: Credit Card Fraud Detection, Supervised Machine learning Algorithms, Fraud Detection.

# I. INTRODUCTION

In the current era, the use of credit card is notably rising, as it has ease the daily needs. Due to the increasing popularisation the usage of credit card is also increasing in e-service fields like e-commerce sector, e-finance and mobile payments [14]. After the pandemic, covid-19 the use of credit card is significantly increasing because people, now prefers to make online payments [3]. Credit card fraud is the process in which someone's uses another persons card to make the transactions [6]. Credit card fraud occurs in banks, automakers and appliance manufactures [13]. This frauds are of two types: Application fraud and Behavioral fraud. When an application is fraudulent it is refers as application fraud. After the card is approved and issued behavior fraud occurs [14]. A branch of artificial intelligence called machine learning that learns from the past experience and makes the predictions based on that data. Supervised, unsupervised, and reinforcement learning are three distinct types of machine learning.





This study employs seven supervised machine learning techniques to confirm which algorithm produces the best results and quickly identifies fraud in any circumstance. These techniques include the following:

- a) K Nearest Neighbour
- b) Random Forest
- c) Gradient Boosting
- d) Logistic Regression
- e) Naïve Bayes
- f) Support Vector Machine
- g) Decision Tree

#### **II. METHODOLOGY:**

a) K-Nearest Neighbour:

A non-linear classifier called K Nearest Neighbour makes it easy to classify fresh data into an appropriate category, even if the data is not linearly separable [1]. It is the simplest way to classify the algorithm by looking at what's nearby. Another name for it is lazy learner algorithm, as it stores the information and then performs an action on it throughout the classification process, instead from the training set.

#### b) Random Forest:

A common machine learning method for real-world models and applications is random forest [1]. It is also called as the ensemble algorithm, which generates numerous decisions and uses major votes for classification and average for regression [2]. As the number of trees increases its accuracy increases [5]. It is Similar to decision tree, the random forest offers more choices for improving outcomes [4]. It is a blend of several classifiers [15]. In order to understand irregular patterns, deep trees are utilized [11]. Because of its efficiency and speed, an RF can be used to handle skewed datasets with hundreds of variables. To classify a class, each tree votes. The most class votes are given to object new when it is formed [14].

#### c) Gradient Boosting:

An algorithm, which is supervised is used to precisely predict target variables which combine estimates from a number of weaker and simpler models [12][3]. It is implemented by open source software called as XGBoost.

#### d) Logistic Regression:

This method is employed to find out the relationship between the variables [4]. It is an analysis approach of the prediction type. Another name for it is a classification algorithm [12]. One technique for predicting binary values (1/0, Yes/No, False/True) from independent variables is logistic regression [2]. Basically it is used for classification [13]. The model can estimate parameter coefficients using the sigmoid function and predict both binary and multinominal outcomes.

#### e) Naïve Bayes:

This algorithm uses Bayesian principle. It is used to find out the result and it is reliant on probability [10]. It determines if a transaction is fraudulent or not by taking the chance of an event (feature) and calculating the probability of another output [4].

#### f) Support Vector Machine:

SVM is an effective text method that works on linear model. It distinguishes between positive and negative examples with large margins. Compared to naïve bayes, the SVM produced better results for fraud detection [8]. This method creates a hyperplane and it divides a variety of qualities into groups in order to efficiently classify future data. The extreme points used while building a hyperplane using this method are known as support vectors [6].

#### g) Decision Tree:

To obtain the final outcome of those choices, it is utilized to divide the dataset according to attributes. The various nodes and branches that comprise this decision tree represent the dataset, functions, choices and output generated by this algorithm [1].

# **2.1 EVALUATION MEASURE:**

Precision, Recall, F1 score and Accuracy are computed, and the confusion matrix is used to assess the outcome. The actual class and the expected class are its two classes. These characteristics serve as the foundation for the confusion metrics:

• True positive (TP)- It is a result in where both the predictive and actual values are positive.

- False positive (FP)- It is a result in which the predictive value is positive and actual value is negative.
- True negative (TN)- It is a result in which the predictive and actual values both are negative.
- False negative (FN)- It is a result in which the predictive value is negative and actual value is positive.

### **III. RESULTS and DISCUSSION :**

A. Dataset Summary: The dataset consist of 550,000 European Card holders transactions which is taken from Kaggle,

having 28 different attributes and it was saved as a CSV file.

**B. Performance Measures:** The algorithms performance is calculated by using the four following features-

i. Precision- It is defined as –  
Precision 
$$=\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$$

ii. Recall - It is defined as-  
Recall 
$$=\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$$

iii. F1 Score: The F1-score is defined as-  
F1 Score = 
$$2^* \frac{Precision*Recall}{Precision*Recall}$$

iv. Accuracy- It is defined as-

$$Accuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN}$$

| Algorithms             | Precision | Recall | F1 Score | Accuracy |
|------------------------|-----------|--------|----------|----------|
| K-Nearest Neighbour    | 0.9987    | 0.9999 | 0.9993   | 0.9993   |
| Random Forest          | 1         | 1      | 1        | 0.9998   |
| Gradient Boosting      | 0.9997    | 0.9995 | 0.9995   | 0.9996   |
| Logistic Regression    | 1         | 1      | 1        | 0.9983   |
| Naïve Bayes            | 1         | 0.9887 | 0.9943   | 0.9943   |
| Support Vector Machine | 1         | 1      | 1        | 0.9986   |
| Decision Tree          | 0.9996    | 0.9996 | 0.9996   | 0.9996   |

**Table 1**: Represents the precision , recall, F1 score and accuracy

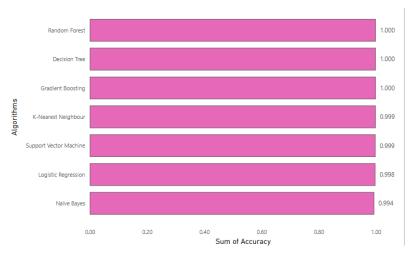


Fig 2: Accuracy of ML models.

**Conclusion**: In this research paper, Researcher have studied seven supervised machine learning techniques. Numerous fields can benefit from the application of machine learning such as Image Recognition, Speech Recognition, Medical or Healthcare sector, Fraud Detection and many more. Credit card Fraud detection is one of it. Fraud detection is much needed as day by day fraudster tries to attempt new method. Here, Researcher have studied several algorithms and it is found that the accuracy of Random Forest is comparatively high than other algorithm. Also, the execution time of KNN and SVM is more. Naïve Bayes and Logistics Regression execution speed is high and gives high result when feature scaling is used.

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