



## A Multi-Perspective Fraud Detection Method for multiparticante-Commercetransactions

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**Abstract.** In the realm of e-commerce, where transactions involve multiple participants such as buyers, sellers, and intermediaries, the detection of fraudulent activities presents a significant challenge. To address this issue, our proposed method focuses on a Mult perspective approach aimed at enhancing fraud detection accuracy and efficiency. The first step involves the detection of user behaviors, wherein we leverage various techniques such as behavioral analysis and examination of transaction histories to gain insights into normal user behavior patterns. By understanding typical user interactions within the ecommerce ecosystem, we establish a baseline against which abnormal behaviors can be identified. Subsequently, we investigate into the analysis of abnormalities for feature extraction. Utilizing sophisticated anomaly detection algorithms, we scrutinize transaction data to uncover irregular patterns indicative of potentially fraudulent activities. This process allows us to extract important features that serve as key indicators for fraud detection. Finally, we employ an ensemble classification model to implement our fraud detection mechanism.

**Keywords:** E-commerce Fraud Detection, Multi-Perspective Analysis, User Behavior Analysis, Transaction History Analysis, Anomaly Detection.

### I. Introduction

WITH the increasing popularity of e-commerce platforms, more and more commercial transactions are now relying on web-based systems than the traditional cash-based approach [1]. Although the entity economy is greatly impacted by the COVID-19 epidemic in recent years, e-commerce remains largely unaffected by the pandemic, where by aiding a steady market growth [2]. The sales volume of B2C (Business to Customer) e-commerce is expected to reach 6.5 trillion dollars by 2023 [3].

This paper combines the advantages of process mining and machine learning models by introducing a hybrid method to solve the anomaly detection in data flows, which provides information about each action embedded in a control flow model. By modeling and analyzing the business process of the e-commerce system, this method can dynamically detect changes in user behaviors, transaction processes, and non-compliance situations, and comprehensively analyze and identify fraudulent transactions from multiple perspectives. Important contributions of this paper are listed as follows:



- 1) A conformance checking method based on process mining is applied in the field of e-commerce transactions to capture the abnormalities.
- 2) A user behavior detection method is proposed to perform comprehensive anomaly detection based on Petri nets.
- 3) An SVM model is developed by embedding a multi-perspective process mining into machine learning methods to automatically classify fraudulent behaviors.

In the rapidly evolving realm of e-commerce, transactions involving multiple participants present unique challenges in detecting and preventing fraud. This project introduces an innovative fraud detection method specifically crafted for multi-participant e-commerce transactions. By integrating sophisticated techniques such as user behaviour analysis, anomaly detection, and machine learning, our approach aims to provide a robust solution to enhance transaction security and safeguard against fraudulent activities in the digital marketplace. In the intricate landscape of e-commerce, where transactions involve a dynamic interplay among multiple participants such as buyers, sellers, and intermediaries, the challenge of detecting

fraudulent activities looms large. Recognizing the complexities of this multifaceted environment, our proposed method adopts a Multi-perspective approach to fortify the accuracy and efficiency of fraud detection mechanisms. Our methodology commences with a meticulous examination of user behaviours, leveraging diverse techniques such as behavioural analysis and scrutiny of transaction histories. By discerning patterns inherent in normal user interactions within the e-commerce ecosystem, we establish a baseline that facilitates the identification of abnormal behaviours. This foundational step is pivotal for creating a robust fraud detection system. Moving beyond behaviour detection, our approach incorporates a comprehensive analysis of abnormalities for feature extraction. Employing sophisticated anomaly detection algorithms, we scrutinize transaction data to unveil irregular patterns indicative of potentially fraudulent activities. This meticulous process enables the extraction of crucial features that serve as pivotal indicators for effective fraud.

The primary objective of this project is to develop a multi-perspective fraud detection method for multi-participant e-commerce transactions. By analyzing user behavior, transaction histories, and detecting abnormalities, the aim is to accurately and efficiently identify fraudulent activities in e-commerce platforms. Specifically, the method involves:

- **Behavioral Analysis:** Understanding and profiling typical user behaviors to create a baseline for normal activity in e-commerce transactions.
- **Anomaly Detection:** Identifying and analyzing deviations from established normal behavior to detect potential fraudulent activities.
- **Feature Extraction and Classification:** Extracting key features from transaction data and employing an ensemble classification model to distinguish fraudulent activities from legitimate ones.

The goal is to enhance fraud detection accuracy and reduce false positives, leading to a more secure and trustworthy e-commerce environment.



### **Problem statement**

Fraud in multiparty e-commerce transactions (involving buyers, sellers, and intermediaries) poses a significant challenge to both businesses and consumers. Current fraud detection methods often struggle to address the complexity of such transactions, which may involve diverse interactions and data points across multiple parties. These methods tend to focus on individual participant behavior or isolated transaction anomalies, leaving gaps in the detection of fraudulent activities that span multiple entities within the ecosystem.

## **II. Literature survey**

1) P. Rao et al., The e-commerce supply chain and environmental sustainability: An empirical investigation on the online retail sector, 2021

In the rapidly expanding realm of e-commerce, particularly in the business-to-consumer (B2C) online retail sector, the environmental conceptual models derived from literature to investigate the environmental impacts of e-commerce. Collecting 303 responses through a structured questionnaire from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries, the study validates and evaluates the proposed models, assessing the relevance of each construct and its underlying items.

2) E. A. Ministering, and G. Manita, An Analysis of the Most Used Machine Learning Algorithms for Online Fraud Detection, 2019

The escalating complexity and transnational nature of illegal activities in online financial transactions have led to substantial financial losses for both customers and organizations. Countering this challenge, numerous techniques have been proposed for fraud prevention and detection in the online environment. However, each of these techniques exhibits distinct characteristics, advantages, and drawbacks, making it imperative to comprehensively review and analyse the existing research in fraud detection. This paper employs a systematic quantitative literature review methodology to identify the algorithms used in fraud detection and analyses each algorithm based on specific criteria.

3) Wangyang Yu; Yadi Wang; Lu Liu; Yusheng An; Bo Yuan; John Panneerselvam, A Multi-perspective Fraud Detection Method for Multiparty E-Commerce Transactions, 2021

In the persistent challenge of detecting and preventing fraudulent transactions within e-commerce platforms, traditional security systems relying on historical order information often fall short, given the elusive nature of online activities. Recognizing the limitations of existing approaches that neglect dynamic user behaviours, this article proposes an innovative fraud detection method that seamlessly integrates machine learning and process mining models for real-time monitoring. The methodology unfolds in three key stages. First, a business-to-customer.

(B2C) e-commerce platform is modelled, incorporating a robust framework for detecting user behaviours. This foundational process aims to better understand and adapt to the dynamic nature of user interactions within the platform. Second, the article introduces a method for analysing abnormalities, leveraging event logs to extract essential



features crucial for fraud detection. This step ensures a nuanced understanding of irregular patterns indicative of potentially fraudulent activities.

### III. System Analysis

#### EXISTING SYSTEM:

Traditional fraud detection in e-commerce relies on analyzing static transaction data, often focused on one participant at a time.

This approach limits effectiveness in identifying complex, dynamic fraud patterns, as it lacks multi-user behavior insights and adaptive mechanisms.

#### Disadvantages:

- **Limited Fraud Detection Scope:** Focuses on static transaction data and individual participants, making it challenging to detect complex, coordinated fraud patterns.
- **Lack of Adaptability:** Inflexible to evolving fraud tactics as it does not leverage behavior tracking or dynamic anomaly detection.
- **Lower Accuracy:** Without multi-participant insights, it often misses subtle fraudulent indicators.

#### Proposed system:

The proposed approach utilizes a multi-perspective method that combines behavior tracking and anomaly detection across buyers, sellers, and intermediaries. By establishing normal interaction baselines and using an ensemble classification model, this method detects abnormalities and enhances fraud detection accuracy with machine learning techniques, like anomaly detection algorithms and feature extraction for fraud indicators.

#### Advantages:

1. **Comprehensive Behaviour Analysis:** Analyses multi-participant interactions, improving fraud detection accuracy.
2. **Adaptive Fraud Detection:** Uses an anomaly detection algorithm to adapt to new fraud patterns dynamically.
3. **Enhanced Accuracy:** Ensemble classification and feature extraction increased detection efficiency and effectiveness.

#### Functional requirements

1. Data Collection
2. Data Pre-processing
3. Training and Testing
4. Modelling
5. Predicting

#### NONFUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

One approach of gauging software quality is via Non-Functional Requirement (NFR) evaluations. Responsivity, usability, security, and portability are important but non-functional aspects that decide the success of a software system. Something that isn't working is what the question "how fast does the website load?" is describing. Users

may be disappointed if the system can't meet their needs, even if those needs aren't functional. You may constrain or restrict the design of the system based on non-functional needs in any agile backlog. For example, the site still has to load in under three seconds even when 10,000+ people are using it at peak periods. Both practical and non-practical requirements must be specified.

- Usability requirement
- Service ability requirement
- Manage ability requirement
- Recoverability requirement
- Security requirement
- Data Integrity requirement
- Capacity requirement
- Availability requirement
- Scalability requirement
- Interoperability requirement
- Reliability requirement
- Maintainability requirement
- Regulatory requirement
- Environmental requirement

#### IV. System design

##### SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE:

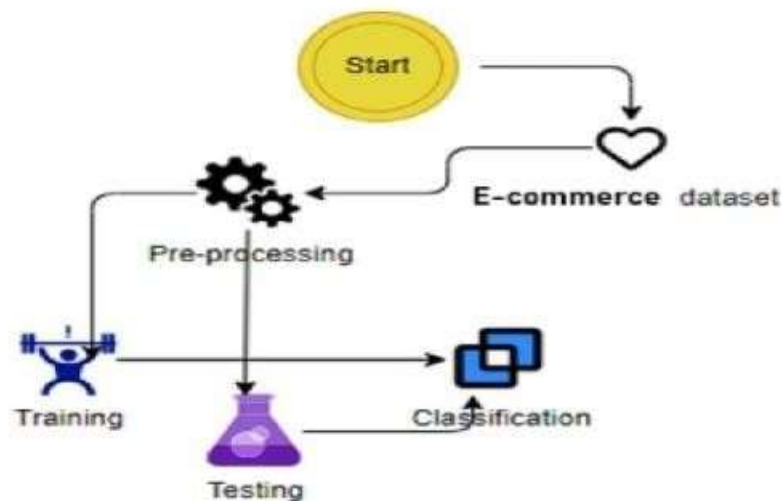


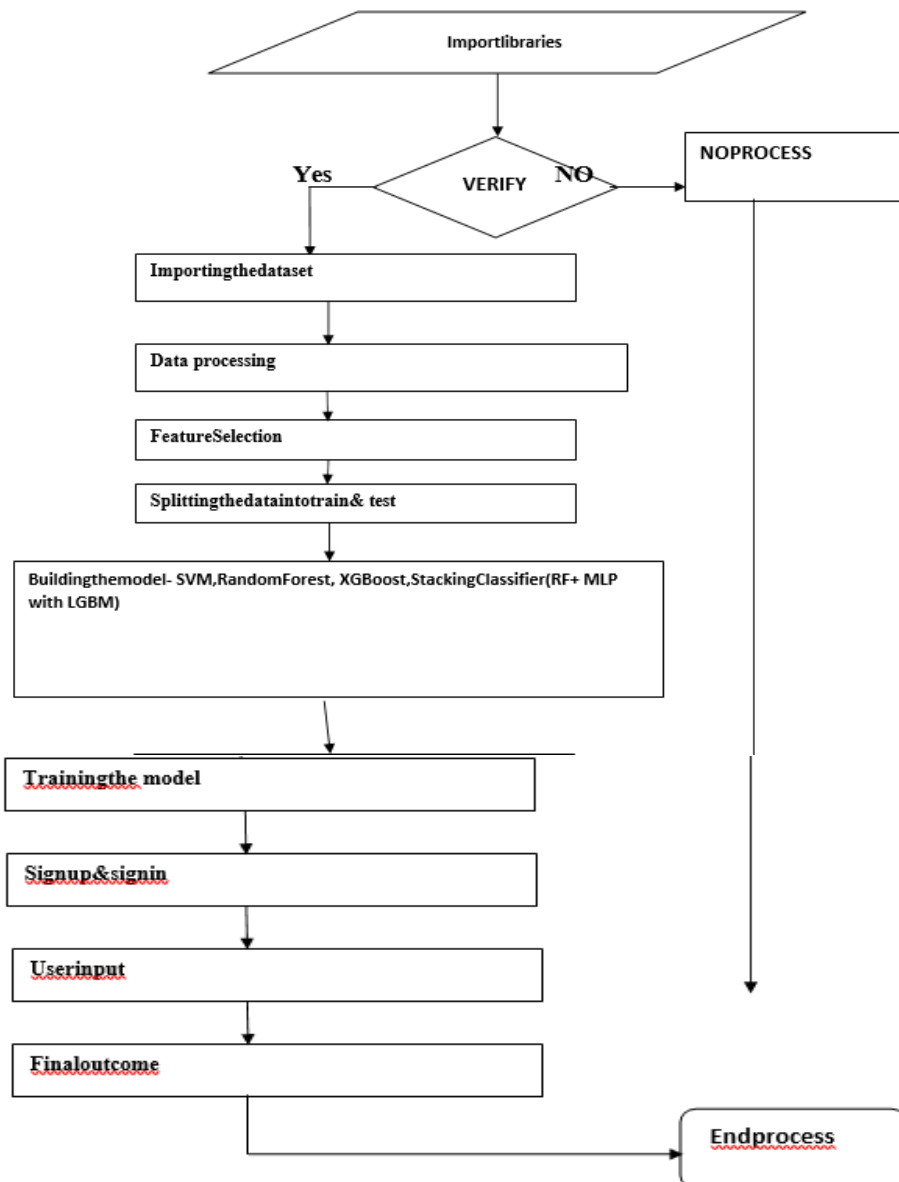
Fig.5.1.1 System architecture.



### DATAFLOWDIAGRAM:

The DFD is sometimes known as a bubble chart. This straightforward visual formalism for depicting a system consists of three primary parts: data input, data processing, and data output.

Data flow diagrams (DFDs) are crucial to the modelling process. To model the parts of the system is the point of employing it. Everything that the system performs, any data it consumes, any third parties it communicates with, and any information that flows through it is included by this.





Lastly, DFD reveals the data's evolution as it traverses the system. The changes that take place when data goes from an input to an output may be visually represented in a data flow diagram.

Bubble charts are sometimes known as data flow diagrams (DFDs). Any degree of abstraction may be shown in dynamic functional diagrams (DFDs). The complexity of its functions and the amount of data passing through them are two ways to classify DFD.

### **UML DIAGRAMS**

The abbreviation UML, which stands for the Unified Modelling Language, is very useful. The Universal Modelling Language, or "UML" for short, is one rule for software engineering that centres on objects. The Object Management Group is in charge of supervising and developing the standard.

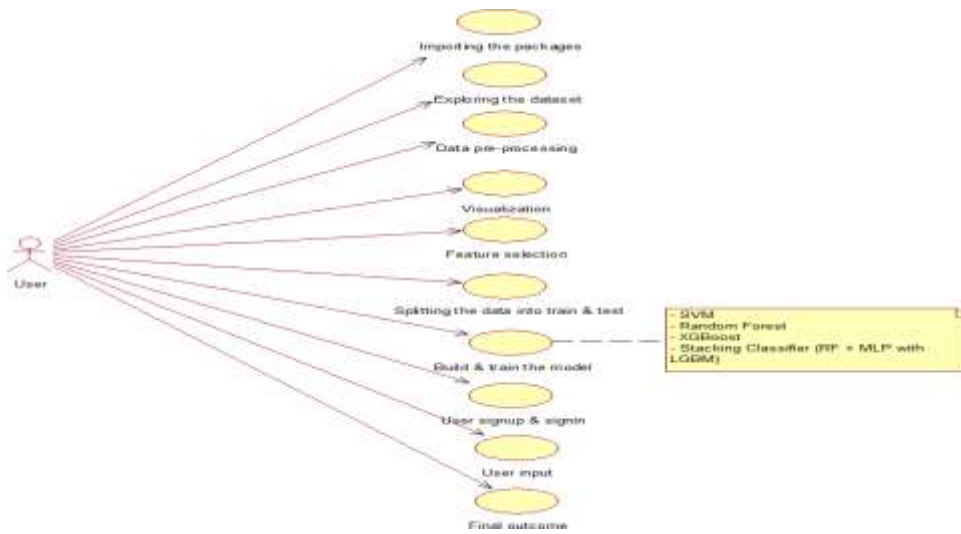
The Unified Design Language's (UDL) primary objective is to provide a standard language for developing object-oriented software systems. Using its syntax and meta-model, modern UML is quite dependent. It is possible to include more procedures or methods into UML in the future. Any kind of artefact, from software systems to non-software systems to business models, may be more easily specified, visualised, produced, and recorded with the help of the Unified Modelling Language.

Large and complicated systems may be represented using the Unified Modelling Language (UML), which offers a foundation for engineering best practices. Unified Modelling Language (UML) is a crucial component of creating object-oriented software or any application. When it comes to designing software projects, the Unified Modelling Language (UML) is primarily dependent on visual notations.

**The original intent of the Unified Modelling Language (UML) was to accomplish the following:**

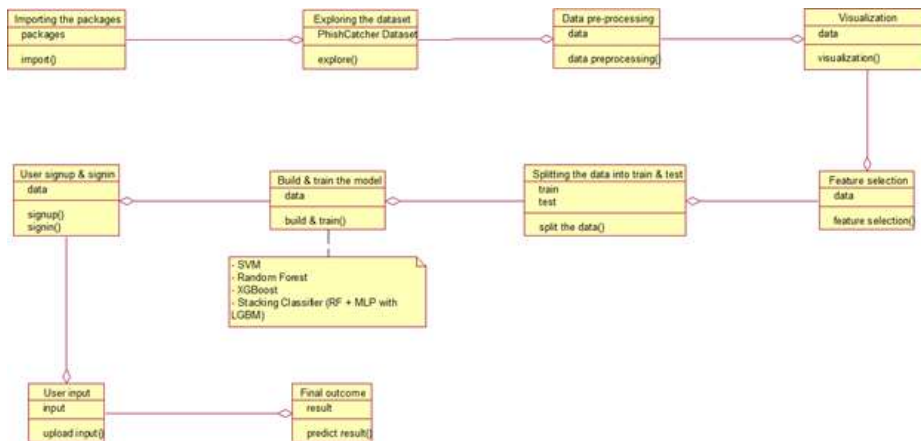
1. Enable the development and sharing of practical models by providing a visual modelling language that is both expressive and easy to use.
2. Provide tools for customisation and expansion to enhance the adaptability of the main principles.
3. Thirdly, don't be closed off to other ways of thinking and doing things when it comes to growth, no matter what language you use.
4. Developing a strong formal foundation is the fourth stage in becoming a master modeller.
5. Require that a large number of individuals acquire OO tools.
- (6) Provide backing for developer-level ideas including frameworks, components, partnerships, and patterns.
7. Follow the standards set by the industry.

Among the many UML behavioural diagrams, the use case study is responsible for creating use case diagrams. You might think of it as a visual representation of the relationships between the many use cases, the people using the system, and the goals they are trying to achieve. A use case diagram may assist in breaking down a complex system into its component elements and the tasks they carry out. It is feasible to demonstrate the operation of the system's different components.



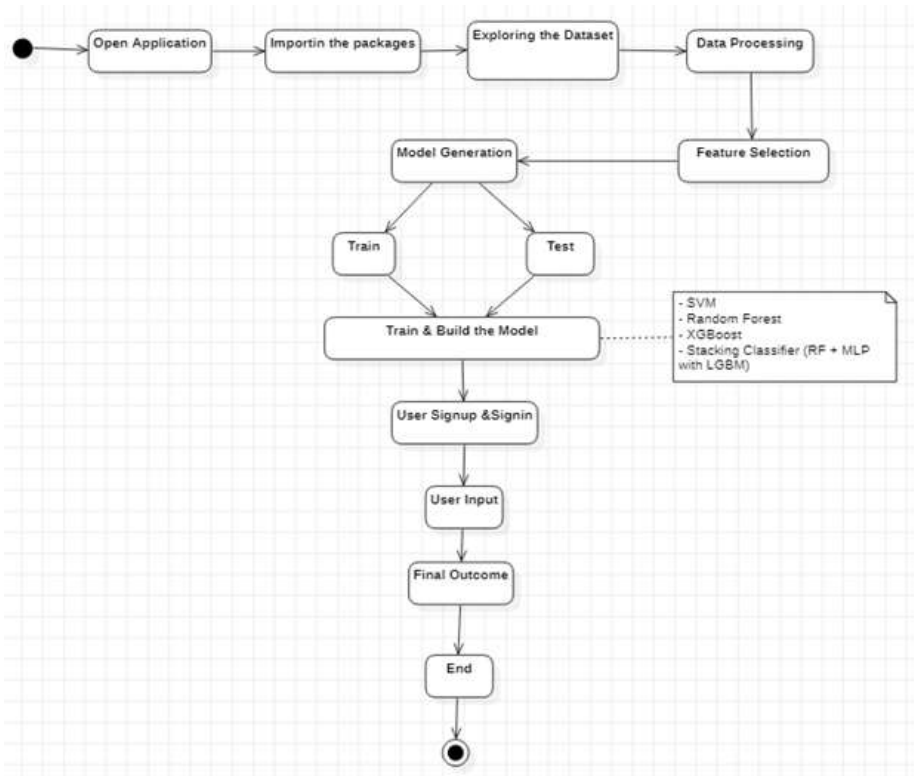
**Class diagram:**

It is possible to improve the use case diagram and provide a more detailed specification of the system's architecture by using the class diagram. The use case diagrams specify a group of actors and the class diagram details the connections between them. Your classes may use either a "is-a" or a "has-a" connection. It is possible that the classes shown in the class diagram may perform certain tasks. Classes accomplish their goals in part by means of the "methods" they provide. This aside, it's possible that distinct classes use different sets of "attributes" to distinguish themselves apart from one another.



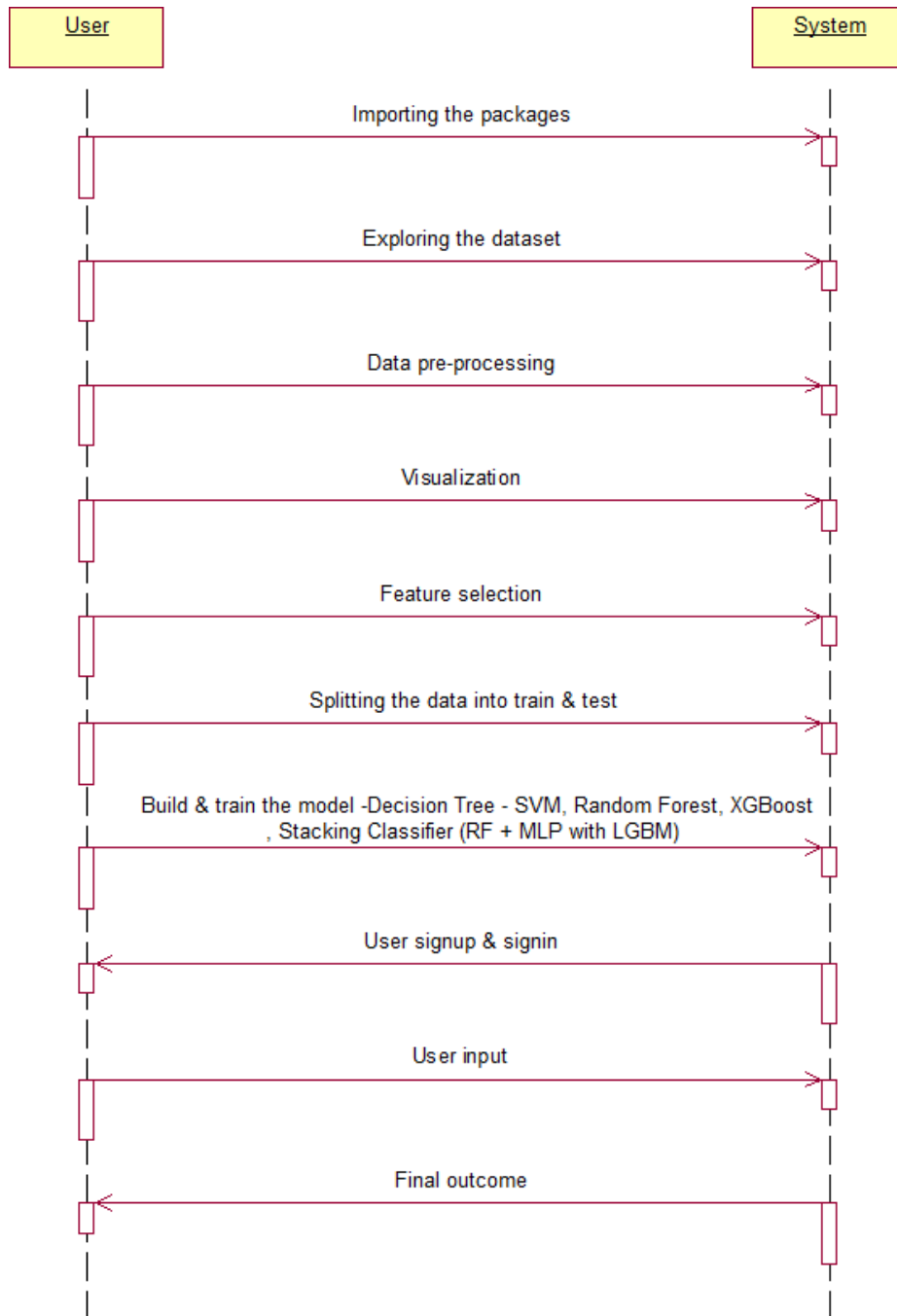
**Activity diagram:**

The activity diagram depicts the system's process flows. An activity diagram is quite similar to a state diagram in that it also shows guard conditions, starting and ending states, tasks, and activities as well as transitions between them.



**Sequence diagram:**

Draw a sequence diagram to show the interdependencies between the system's components. One distinguishing feature of a sequence diagram is the temporal ordering of occurrences. Because of this, interactions between objects may be shown in great detail and in a sequential fashion. The different components in the sequence diagram are able to interact with one another via the "messages" they use.

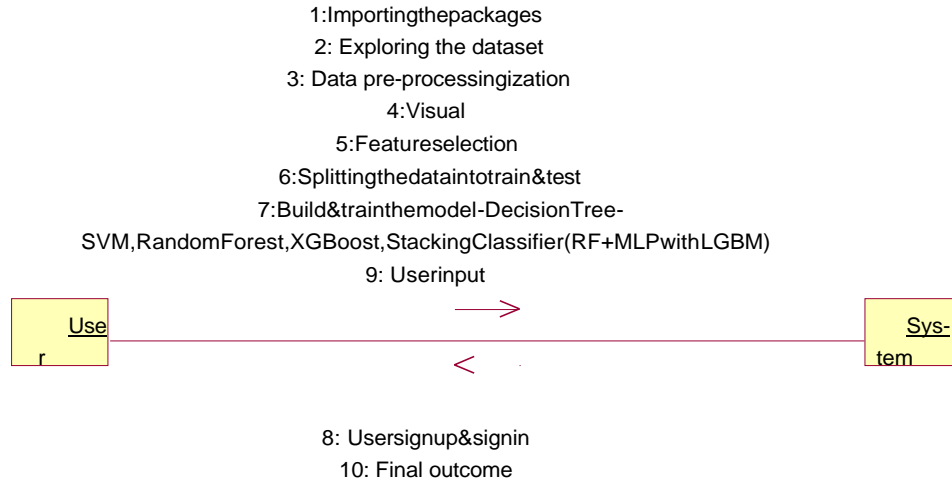


Collaboration diagram:

The relationships between many things may be shown in a cooperation diagram. The order of the interactions may be seen by looking at the numbered list of interactions. Every

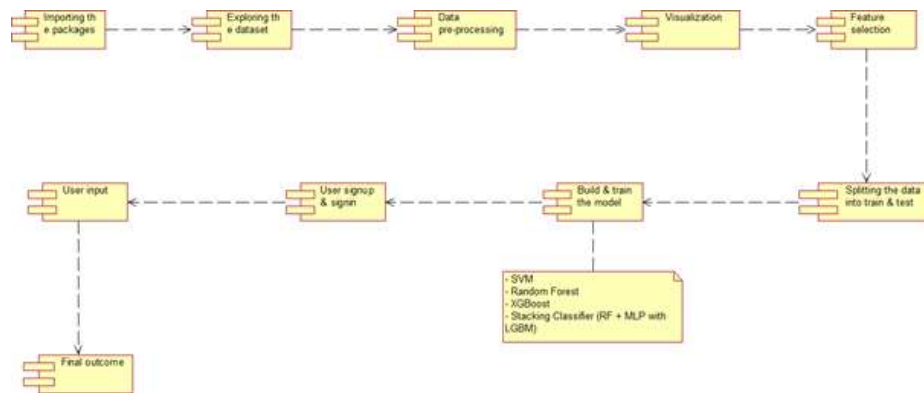


conceivable interaction between components may be shown in the cooperation diagram.



**Component diagram:**

The system's essential components are shown in the component diagram. This schematic provides an overview of the system by showing its primary parts and their interconnections. To better understand how a built or created system works, a component diagram may be very helpful.



**Deployment diagram:**

In the deployment diagram, you can see how the application's runtime components are configured. This graphic becomes very useful when a system is ready for deployment.



## V. Implementation MODULES:

- **Data loading:** using this module we are going to import the dataset.

### **Dataset Link:**

<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/shaurvapanpalia/cyberbullying-classification>

### **Dataset Description:**

The data in this collection is based on suspicious activities, such as cyber bullying that uses racial and ethnic profiling extensively and makes threats and uses harsh language. The information was sourced via Twitter and Face book groups. Data is categorised according to the presence or absence of potentially problematic language in tweets and comments. After data scraping, manually assign a questionable data value of -1 and a non-doubtful data value of 0.

We will be using this module to get the data ready for analysis.

This module allows us to create a 'trainset' and a 'testset' from the information we have. The process is called model making. Naïve Bayes and logistic regression are used. The Idea of Bayes Probability and Fuzzy GA An amalgamation of LR fuzzy GA, RF, AB, and stacking classifiers into a single voting classifier. Accuracy of algorithms' predictions This module will be used to gather the login and registration information of users.

The users supplied data: Together information for forecasts, you may use this module. The projected final outcome is shown.

Using an ensemble approach to combine the predictions of many models led to a more accurate and reliable final forecast.

Improvements in performance, maybe as high as 99% accuracy, are possible with the addition of two additional ensemble methods: Voting Classifier and Stacking Classifier. Formulas for calculations [F]

One method of classification that relies on Bayes' Theorem is Naive Bayes, which assumes that predictors are independent. A Naive Bayes classifier, in its most basic form, takes for granted that there is no correlation between two features that share a class.



To solve binary classification issues, logistic regression determines the likelihood of a result, occurrence, or observation. It falls within the category of supervised machine learning. The model can only provide a yes/no, 0/1, or true/false result. The Naive Bayes algorithm is among the most well-known and user-friendly approaches to machine learning classification, alongside Naive Bayes Fuzzy GA. One may calculate probabilities and conditional probabilities using Bayes' Theorem.

One definition of a fuzzy genetic algorithm is an algorithm that uses fuzzy logic techniques to build some of its components. The algorithm is thereafter described as a sequence of commands.

Because they lack both volume and mass, particles serve as the basic unit of measurement in the PSO algorithm. One such example is Naive Bayes Fuzzy PSO. The trajectories of particles are fine-tuned by constantly changing their velocities in response to their own and other particles' flight experiences within the search space.

An ML model called the Voting Classifier (AB + RF) accepts a number of models as input and returns the class that has the best chance of being selected. One ensemble approach to machine learning is stacking classifiers, which looks for methods to integrate the predictions of many successful ML models. Many Python programmers prefer to use the scikit-learn package when they need to build stacking ensembles.

## VI. Conclusion

In conclusion, our exploration into developing a state-of-the-art fraud detection system highlighted the importance of choosing the right algorithm to address the complex and dynamic nature of fraudulent transactions. Through rigorous testing and evaluation of Random Forest, Gradient Boosting, and AdaBoost, we determined that Random Forest stands out as the most effective tool in our arsenal against fraud. Its exceptional performance on various metrics, including accuracy, precision, and its ability to mitigate overfitting, underscored its suitability for our needs. The process also underscored the critical role of data preprocessing and the thoughtful design of input and output components in enhancing model performance and usability. As we move forward, the adoption of the Random Forest algorithm in our Fraud Detection system represents a significant step towards achieving high levels of security and trust, essential in today's digital transaction environments. This project not only showcases the capabilities of machine learning in fraud detection but also sets the stage for future enhancements and adaptations as fraud techniques evolve.

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