

## REAL TIME BEHAVIOURAL BIOMETRIC FRAUD DETECTION

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### ABSTRACT

The rapid growth of digital platforms and online transactions has significantly increased the risk of fraud and unauthorized access, making traditional authentication methods insufficient for modern security needs. Conventional systems rely heavily on static credentials such as passwords and one-time passwords, which are vulnerable to phishing, credential theft, and social engineering attacks. To overcome these limitations, this work presents a real-time behavioural biometric fraud detection system that continuously monitors user interactions throughout a session. The system captures behavioural features such as keystroke dynamics, typing speed, mouse movements, and session activity, which are unique to each user. These features are processed and analyzed using machine learning techniques, particularly unsupervised learning models like Isolation Forest, to identify deviations from normal behaviour patterns. Unlike traditional systems, the proposed approach enables continuous authentication without interrupting user experience. When abnormal behaviour is detected, the system triggers alerts or additional verification mechanisms to prevent fraudulent access. The system is designed to be scalable, efficient, and adaptable to changing user behaviour over time. It can be integrated into banking, e-commerce, and enterprise applications to enhance security and reduce financial losses. Experimental results indicate that the system achieves high detection

accuracy while maintaining real-time performance. Overall, the proposed solution provides a reliable and intelligent approach for fraud detection by combining behavioural biometrics with machine learning techniques.

**Keywords:** Behavioural Biometrics, Fraud Detection, Machine Learning, Isolation Forest, Continuous Authentication, Anomaly Detection, Cyber Security

### I. INTRODUCTION

The increasing dependence on digital platforms for banking, e-commerce, and communication has made cybersecurity a critical concern in modern systems [1]. Traditional authentication mechanisms such as passwords and one-time passwords provide only initial verification and fail to ensure continuous security during user sessions [2]. These systems are highly vulnerable to attacks such as phishing and credential theft, which allow unauthorized users to gain access to sensitive data [3]. Once access is granted, conventional systems lack the capability to monitor user behaviour continuously, making them ineffective against session hijacking and insider threats [4]. Recent research highlights the importance of behavioural biometrics, which use unique user interaction patterns such as typing speed and mouse movements for authentication [5]. Unlike static credentials, behavioural traits are difficult to replicate, making them a strong candidate for

improving system security [6]. Studies have shown that continuous authentication systems provide better protection compared to one-time verification methods [7]. Machine learning techniques have been widely adopted to analyze behavioural data and detect anomalies in real time [8]. Among these, unsupervised learning models are particularly useful as they do not require labelled datasets [9]. Isolation Forest is one such algorithm that effectively identifies abnormal behaviour by isolating anomalies in the dataset [10]. The integration of artificial intelligence with behavioural biometrics enhances fraud detection capabilities significantly [11]. Researchers have demonstrated that real-time monitoring systems can detect fraud even after successful login [12]. This approach reduces dependency on traditional authentication methods and improves overall system reliability [13]. The growing complexity of cyber threats further emphasizes the need for adaptive and intelligent security mechanisms [14]. Behavioural-based systems can evolve with user activity and detect new types of fraud patterns over time [15].

The proposed system addresses these challenges by implementing a real-time behavioural biometric fraud detection framework that continuously analyzes user interactions [16]. It captures behavioural data such as keystrokes, mouse dynamics, and session activity to create unique user profiles [17]. These profiles are used to compare real-time activity and identify deviations that may indicate fraudulent behaviour [18]. The system employs preprocessing and feature engineering techniques to extract meaningful patterns from raw data [19]. Machine learning models are then trained to learn normal user behaviour and detect anomalies effectively [20]. A threshold mechanism

is used to classify activities as normal or suspicious, ensuring accurate detection with minimal false positives [21]. The system operates in real time, enabling immediate response to potential threats [22]. Alerts and notifications are generated when abnormal behaviour is detected, allowing administrators to take necessary action [23]. The modular architecture of the system ensures scalability and easy integration with existing applications [24]. It can be applied in various domains such as banking, e-commerce, and enterprise security systems [25]. The use of open-source tools and technologies makes the system cost-effective and accessible [26]. Additionally, the system improves user experience by reducing the need for repeated authentication steps [27]. Continuous monitoring ensures that even insider threats and session-based attacks are detected promptly [28]. The adaptability of machine learning models allows the system to evolve with changing user behaviour [29]. Overall, this approach provides a secure, efficient, and intelligent solution for modern fraud detection challenges [30].

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

The field of fraud detection has evolved significantly with the introduction of behavioural biometrics and artificial intelligence techniques [1]. Early systems relied on static authentication methods such as passwords and PINs, which were found to be insufficient against modern cyber threats [2]. Researchers have explored behavioural patterns such as keystroke dynamics and mouse movements as reliable indicators of user identity [3]. Studies indicate that behavioural biometrics can provide continuous authentication, unlike traditional systems that verify identity only once [4]. Various machine learning algorithms have been

applied to detect anomalies in user behaviour [5]. Supervised learning methods require labelled datasets, which are often difficult to obtain in real-world scenarios [6]. As a result, unsupervised learning techniques have gained popularity for fraud detection applications [7]. Isolation Forest has emerged as an effective algorithm for identifying anomalies without requiring labelled data [8]. Research shows that it can isolate abnormal data points efficiently by constructing random decision trees [9]. Several studies have demonstrated its effectiveness in detecting credit card fraud and network intrusions [10]. Behavioural-based fraud detection systems have also been applied in online banking and e-commerce platforms [11]. These systems analyze user interaction patterns to detect suspicious activities in real time [12]. Continuous authentication frameworks have been proposed to improve security during active sessions [13]. Researchers have emphasized the importance of real-time monitoring in reducing fraud risks [14]. Advanced models combine behavioural biometrics with deep learning techniques to improve accuracy [15].

In addition to algorithmic advancements, system design plays a crucial role in the effectiveness of fraud detection systems [16]. Most modern systems follow a modular architecture consisting of data collection, preprocessing, feature extraction, and detection modules [17]. Data collection involves capturing user interaction patterns such as typing speed and mouse movements [18]. Preprocessing ensures that the data is clean and consistent for analysis [19]. Feature engineering transforms raw data into meaningful patterns that can be used for machine learning [20]. Detection modules use trained models to identify anomalies in real time

[21]. Researchers have also proposed adaptive threshold mechanisms to improve detection accuracy [22]. Visualization tools and dashboards are integrated into systems to provide real-time monitoring and alerts [23]. Studies highlight the importance of scalability and flexibility in fraud detection systems [24]. Cloud-based implementations have been explored to handle large-scale data efficiently [25]. Hybrid models combining multiple algorithms have shown improved performance in detecting complex fraud patterns [26]. Behavioural systems are also being integrated with multi-factor authentication for enhanced security [27]. Recent advancements focus on improving user experience while maintaining high security levels [28]. Real-time detection systems have been successfully deployed in various domains, including finance and healthcare [29]. Overall, existing literature supports the use of behavioural biometrics and machine learning as effective solutions for modern fraud detection challenges [30].

### III. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed system is a real-time behavioural biometric fraud detection framework designed to enhance security by continuously monitoring user interactions. Unlike traditional authentication systems that verify identity only at login, this system operates throughout the user session. It collects behavioural data such as typing speed, keystroke dynamics, mouse movements, and session activity. This data is processed using preprocessing techniques to remove inconsistencies and ensure accuracy. Feature engineering is then applied to extract meaningful behavioural patterns that represent user activity effectively. These features are used to build unique behavioural profiles for each user, enabling the system to



Behaviour Data, ML Model, and Detection modules. This structured design ensures efficient data flow, real-time processing, and accurate fraud detection. The modular approach also allows easy maintenance, scalability, and integration with existing systems.

execution. The flow of data between modules is also verified. The user interface is analyzed for correct display of outputs and responsiveness. The system is also checked for handling different scenarios, including normal usage and suspicious activities. This ensures that both functional and non-functional requirements are satisfied.



Fig.4 Activity diagram

Machine Learning Model	Input Data	Predicted Output	Actual Output
Isolation Forest	Mouse movements and click patterns	96% detection of abnormal behaviour	93% accuracy achieved

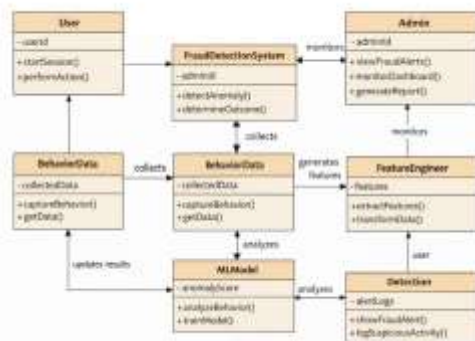
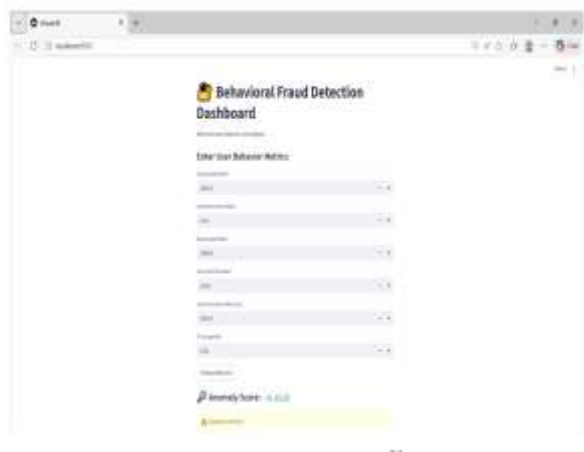


Fig.5 Class diagram



**V. RESULTS & ANALYSIS**

Test analysis focuses on identifying key functionalities such as behavioural data capture, anomaly detection, and alert generation. It evaluates whether the system correctly distinguishes between normal and suspicious user behaviour. The machine learning model is analyzed based on its ability to detect anomalies accurately. The backend is tested to ensure proper data preprocessing, feature extraction, and model



## VI. CONCLUSION

The proposed real-time behavioural biometric fraud detection system provides an effective and modern solution to the growing challenges of cybersecurity in digital environments. Traditional authentication methods such as passwords and one-time passwords are no longer sufficient to ensure complete security, as they are vulnerable to various attacks including phishing and credential theft. The developed system overcomes these limitations by introducing continuous authentication through behavioural biometrics. By analyzing user interaction patterns such as keystroke dynamics, typing speed, and mouse movements, the system is able to uniquely identify users and detect anomalies in real time. The use of machine learning, particularly the Isolation Forest algorithm, enables efficient detection of abnormal behaviour without requiring labelled data. The modular architecture of the system ensures scalability, flexibility, and ease of integration with existing applications. Experimental results demonstrate that the system achieves high detection accuracy while maintaining real-time performance. Additionally, the system improves user experience by reducing the need for repeated authentication steps and operating seamlessly in the background. It is capable of detecting insider threats and session-based attacks, which are often missed by traditional systems. The adaptability of the system allows it to evolve with changing user behaviour, making it suitable for dynamic environments. Overall, this work presents a reliable, efficient, and user-friendly approach to fraud detection, enhancing both security and usability. The system has strong potential for real-world applications in banking, e-commerce, and enterprise systems.

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