

# A Review - ATM Card Fraud Detection Using Hidden Markov Model

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## ABSTRACT

ATM card fraud is causing billions of dollars in losses for the card payment industry. In today's world the most accepted payment mode is ATM card for both online and also for regular purchasing; hence frauds related with it are also growing. To find the fraudulent transaction, we implement an Advanced Security Model for ATM payment using Hidden Markov Model (HMM), which detects the fraud by using customers spending behavior. This Security Model is primarily focusing on the normal spending behavior of a cardholder and some advanced securities such as Location, Amount, Time and Sequence of transactions. If the trained Security model identifies any misbehavior in upcoming transaction, then that transaction is permanently blocked until the user enter High Security Alert Password (HSAP). This paper provides an overview of frauds and begins with ATM card statistics and the definition of ATM card fraud. The main outcome of the paper is to find the fraudulent transaction and avoids the fraud before it happens.

**Keywords:** HSAP, HMM, FDS, Patterns, Transaction, Location, Fraud.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Technology is all about making life more and more flexible, simple and affordable. It is all about devising a method to bridge a gap that lies between predictions to practical implementation of the ideas. In the world of computer engineering, one of the most effective methods that hold a key of success for implementations of such innovations is the algorithmic approach. This is the reason that the seed idea of this research based application has been incorporated from one such algorithm.

The model proposed in these applications is all about recognizing and understanding various transactions patterns of the user. It helps in maintaining and updating a database that will describe the operational behavior of the specified user in the form of a pattern. This model totally depends on the pattern evaluating and recognizing Forward-Backward algorithm. This research based application totally rely on the decision drawn by the computational model suggested by the algorithm there by helping to knock out the ongoing issues related to ATM transaction fraud.

Integration of the distributed security environment with such a type of application throws in additional challenge to the hackers and crackers. Thus the whole system intends to increase the complexity to next levels there by making the ATM payment frauds almost impossible.

## II. METHODS AND MATERIAL

### A. Backgrounds

Existing method of ATM transaction is proving day by day vulnerable for various attacks like given below Major frauds are happening due to our very Nears and Dears. This a growing trend in most of the cases due to sharing of secret PIN and not keeping the Debit/Credit card in safe custody.

The above statement clearly puts in a thought on the use, utility and efficacy of the ATM mode of banking. Listing cases on ATM frauds leads to huge set of existent state of affairs. Times News Network one of the biggest in this nation puts a question to Developers of the technology for ATM transaction on how secure actually this network is. Some of its recent reports on frauds are:-

1) Need to check ATM frauds: High Court suggest Government [Allahabad] Times of India, Oct 7, 2010 | by Pandey, R N

**ALLAHABAD :** The Allahabad High Court has observed that there is a great need to check ATM frauds as the issue is assuming alarming proportions and is constantly in news. Innocent persons are deprived of hard earned bank deposits by fraudsters who are operating in gangs and a large number of cards have even been recovered from some of those who have been arrested, remarked a division bench while dismissing a writ petition filed by an alleged accused in ATM fraud case.

Woman forgets ATM card in machine, loses Rs. 20,000 since she leaves the ATM house without collection her ATM card as well as without completing the transaction  
Kannada Daily, Mar 26, 2010,

According to the news printed in the above daily addition, Rs 20,000 cash was stolen from the account of Tarannum Desai, a resident of Makarba, Juhapura on Wednesday. The incident took place owing to Desai's negligence, said police officials. An application of complaint has been registered with Satellite police station. According to police, Desai had been to HDFC Bank ATM at FunRepublic on Wednesday. After completing her transaction, she forgot to take her ATM card and left.

"After a while, she got a message on her mobile phone that Rs 20,000 was withdrawn from her account. Shocked, she realized that she had forgotten the ATM card inside the machine while finishing the transaction in a hurry," said a police official. Investigating officials have sought CCTV footage of the ATM booth to identify the accused. "We believe it might not be a pre-planned theft. An opportunist may have used the card to withdraw money from an already-inserted card," said a senior official.

This is enough to state that existing system need some additional safety measures that will help us to bring in some check on such frauds.

An exhaustive study made in this direction revealed some facts that some applications like speech recognition system, DNA analysis are already being

used effectively which uses the concepts related to pattern generation and recognition. These applications use strongly build Hidden Markov Model that intern is totally based Compound decision making theory from probability and statistics. Thus all such applications use the algorithms that adhere to concepts that finally help in making the decision based on multiple factors. HMM uses many of such like Baulm-Welch, FW-BW, Vierbi, K-Means etc.

A **hidden Markov model (HMM)** is a statistical model in which the system being modeled is assumed to be a Markov process with unobserved state. An HMM can be considered as the simplest dynamic Bayesian network.

In a regular Markov model, the state is directly visible to the observer, and therefore the state transition probabilities are the only parameters. In a *hidden* Markov model, the state is not directly visible, but output dependent on the state is visible. Each state has a probability distribution over the possible output tokens. Therefore the sequence of tokens generated by a HMM gives some information about the sequence of states. Note that the adjective 'hidden' refers to the state sequence through which the model passes, not to the parameters of the model; even if the model parameters are known exactly, the model is still 'hidden'. Hidden Markov models are especially known for their application in temporal pattern recognition such as speech, handwriting, gesture recognition, part-of-speech tagging, musical score following, partial discharges and bioinformatics

This study reveals that if it is possible to make compound decisions in critical domains like DNA analyses as well as speech recognition system making, then it must be still very easy to device a technique that will help us to study users spending patterns, users daily transaction habits, users normal transactions delays, which we will finally use to observe abnormal transactions. Such abnormalities can be easily traced and blocked before the transaction is committed.

## **B. Research Methodology to be Employed**

- To introduce a set algorithms like Baum-Welch learning with scaling that help in generating long observation sequences

- To implement mobile based communication with integration and transmission of data in encrypted form using Bluetooth.
- To implement a code for Multivariate Gaussian distribution for observation distribution.
- To devise a method for Pseudo-Random number generation and implement it.
- To devise methods for implementation of algorithms like Forward-Reverse algorithm, Sequence Generator algorithm etc.
- It supports mobile comm. Over Bluetooth technology
- It support identification and authentication for mobile hardware based on Unique H/W number so called IME number

### C. Literature Survey

In [1] Abhinav Shrivastava and team proposed, "Credit Card Fraud Detection Using Hidden Markov Model" 1 March 2008. They explain in that the problem with most of the previous approaches is that they require labelled data for both genuine, as well as fraudulent transactions, to train the classifiers. Getting real-world fraud data is one of the biggest problems associated with credit card fraud detection. Also, these approaches cannot detect new kinds of frauds for which labelled data is not available.

In [2] Ashish Gupta, Jagdish Raikwal, "Fraud Detection in credit Card Transaction Using Hybrid Model" 1 Jan, 2014. They proposed survey number of technique for credit card fraud detection and basis on that we will propose a strong literature of Hybrid Markov Model which is a combination of Bayesian Classifier and Hidden Markov Model, based system which will consist of the process of all the surveyed technique and result in better fraud detection than all previous proposed system of fraud detection.

In [3] Fabio Cuzzolin and Michael Spanienza, "Learning Pullback HMM Distances" IEEE Trans, August 2013. They proposed general framework for learning distances function of generative dynamical model, given a training set of labelled videos. The optimal distances function is selected among of family of pullback ones, induced by a parameterised automorphism of the space model. They focus here on HMM models and their models spaces and design. It

improves the action recognition performances with respect to base distances.

## III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### A. Problem Statement

In our system, each transaction is submitted to the system for verification. Systems check whether transaction is genuine or not depending upon a behavior of the cardholder, i.e. is transaction delay, sequence of operation and spending pattern. And depending upon these parameters, computational decisions are taken. If system find the transaction malicious it block cardholders account and transaction get failed.

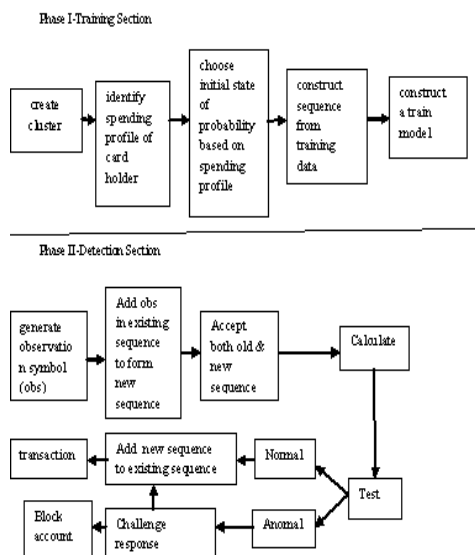
### B. Architecture

In proposed system, we present a Hidden Markov Model (HMM). Which does not require fraud signatures and yet is able to detect frauds by considering a cardholder's spending habit. Card transaction processing sequence by the stochastic process of an HMM. The details of items purchased in Individual transactions are usually not known to any Fraud Detection System (FDS) running at the bank that issues credit cards to the cardholders. Hence, we feel that HMM is an ideal choice for addressing this problem. Another important advantage of the HMM-based approach is a drastic reduction in the number of False Positives transactions identified as malicious by an FDS although they are actually genuine. An FDS runs at a credit card issuing bank. Each incoming transaction is submitted to the FDS for verification. FDS receives the card details and the value of purchase to verify, whether the transaction is genuine or not. The types of goods that are bought in that transaction are not known to the FDS. It tries to find any anomaly in the transaction based on the spending profile of the cardholder, shipping address, and billing address, etc. If the FDS confirms the transaction to be of fraud, it raises an alarm, and the issuing bank declines the transaction.

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### D. Advantage

1. Avoids fraud usage of card through online transactions.
2. Detect if card used by others if card lost.

## IV. CONCLUSION

HMMs have proved to be of great value in analyzing real systems; their usual drawback is the over-simplification associated with the Markov assumption - that a state is dependent only on predecessors, and that this dependence is time independent. With its utter closeness to the realistic predictions it thus helps in preventing as well as controlling many system behaviors.

In this research work the project framework will provide better security as two level of encryption is done. Also authentication mechanism will help to achieve better security. Dynamic generation of the keys and dynamic rekeying will help to optimize performance. Decentralization of security with the help of inclusion of third party devices like mobile will help in making it more difficult to crack.

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