



## PanGuard: Fake PAN CARD Spotting Using Deep Learning

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### ABSTRACT:

This paper proposes the development of an innovative application for detecting fake Permanent Account Number (PAN) cards in India. Utilizing advanced image recognition and data analysis techniques, the application aims to combat the growing threat of PAN card fraud, which poses a significant risk to financial security, data privacy, and tax compliance.

By leveraging AI and Machine Learning algorithms, the application will automate PAN card verification, achieving high accuracy and real-time processing speeds. The user friendly interface will ensure accessibility and ease of use for individuals and businesses alike. Additionally, integrating with official databases and implementing robust security measures will enhance data integrity and user privacy.

This paper has the potential to revolutionize PAN card verification, contributing to a safer and more inclusive financial ecosystem in India. Machine learning models, trained on a diverse dataset of authentic and forged PAN cards, form the core of PanGuard's detection capabilities. These models employ anomaly detection and classification algorithms to identify deviations from expected patterns and distinguish authentic documents from counterfeits

**KEYWORDS:** Permanent Account Number (PAN), Computer vision, image recognition, data analysis techniques, classification algorithms

## I. INTRODUCTION

In an increasingly digital world, the need for robust identity verification systems has become paramount. Particularly in financial transactions and official documentation processes, ensuring the authenticity of personal identification documents such as Permanent Account Number (PAN) cards is critical. However, with the rise of sophisticated counterfeit techniques, traditional methods of verification are often inadequate.

This paper addresses the challenge of detecting fake PAN cards using advanced machine learning techniques. By leveraging the power of artificial intelligence and computer vision, the system aims to provide an efficient and reliable solution for verifying the authenticity of PAN cards in real-time.

The paper employs a multi-faceted approach, combining image processing, feature extraction, and deep learning algorithms to analyze PAN card images and discern genuine ones from counterfeits. Through a comprehensive dataset comprising a diverse range of genuine and fake PAN card samples, the machine learning model is trained to recognize subtle visual cues and patterns indicative of fraudulent documents.

Key components of the system include a user-friendly interface for uploading PAN card images, a sophisticated machine learning model for verification, and an administrative dashboard for system management and monitoring. Additionally, the system may integrate with external services such as government databases or identity verification APIs to enhance validation accuracy.

By detecting fake PAN cards with high precision and efficiency, this paper aims to bolster trust and security in identity verification processes across various domains, including finance, taxation, and legal documentation. Ultimately, the implementation of such a system has the potential to mitigate the risks associated with identity theft, fraud, and unauthorized transactions, thereby safeguarding individuals' identities and financial assets.

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

[1] Paper Name: Credit card fraud detection using artificial neural network

Authors: Asha RB, Suresh Kumar K

Credit card usage has increased due to technological advancements, leading to an increase in credit card fraud. This problem affects every industry, including banks, automobile manufacturers, and appliance companies. Various techniques, including data mining, machine learning, and algorithmic methods, have been utilized to detect fraud in credit card transactions, but the results have been unsatisfactory. Therefore, it is essential to create algorithms

that are effective and efficient. © 2023 JETIR May 2023, Volume 10, Issue 5 www.jetir.org (ISSN-2349-5162) JETIR2305812 Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovative Research (JETIR) www.jetir.org h865 We aim to prevent credit card fraud by utilizing artificial neural network methods and comparing them to other machine learning techniques. Fraud is an offensive act that deceives innocent individuals. When someone fraudulently uses a credit card, they steal the necessary login information from the cardholder and use it unlawfully, often through phone calls or SMS messages. Fraudsters may also use software programs to commit credit card fraud. To detect credit card fraud, the process begins when the customer submits the required information for a credit card transaction

## [2] Paper Name: Credit Card Fraud Detection Using Random Forest Algorithm

**Authors: M.Suresh Kumar, V.Soundarya, S.Kavitha, E.S. Keerthika, E.Aswini**

Credit card fraud is increasing daily, both online and offline. For offline transactions, fraudsters need real cards, while virtual cards suffice for online transactions. These fraudulent activities can result in numerous unauthorized transactions without the actual user's knowledge. Fraudsters seek sensitive data like credit card numbers, bank account information, and other personal details to carry out transactions. They steal the user's credit card for offline transactions, while online purchases require them to steal the user's identity and login credentials. Credit card fraud has become a significant issue for banks and financial institutions in today's technology-driven society. Several fraudulent transactions lead to the loss of sensitive data that is challenging for both users and banking authorities to detect. Different models are utilized to detect fraudulent transactions based on transaction behaviour. These models fall into two main categories: supervised learning and unsupervised learning algorithms. Techniques like Cluster Analysis, Support Vector Machine, Naive Bayes Classification, etc., have been used to determine the accuracy of fraudulent actions in the current system. This study employs the Random Forest Algorithm to identify the accuracy of fraudulent transactions.

## [3] Paper Name: Fraud Detection using Machine Learning and Deep Learning

**Authors: Pradheepan Raghavan, Neamat El Gayar**

Machine learning is a popular topic this decade and a subset of artificial intelligence. Many businesses are investing in machine learning to improve their services. Machine learning uses a combination of computer algorithms and statistical modelling to enable computers to perform tasks without being explicitly programmed. It uses training data to learn and acquire models that can be used for predictions or actions based on past experiences. Machine learning techniques utilize artificial neural networks, including deep learning models such as convolutional neural networks, deep belief networks, auto-encoders, recurrent neural networks, and restricted Boltzmann machines. Properly trained neural networks can identify distinct relationships across entire datasets. This research compares various machine learning and deep learning approaches in three datasets, including the European, Australian, and German datasets. The study uses an ensemble of the top three models in all three datasets. Based on an empirical study, the research reports its findings on the comparison of several machine learning and deep learning models.

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### III. PROBLEM STATEMENT

In India, the Permanent Account Number (PAN) card is a vital document used for financial transactions, identification, and taxation purposes. Unfortunately, the prevalence of fake PAN cards poses a significant threat to financial security, data privacy, and tax compliance. These fraudulent documents are often used for illegal activities like money laundering, tax evasion, and identity theft.

The relevance of addressing the problem of detecting fake PAN cards lies in the critical role that PAN cards play in various domains such as finance, taxation, and legal documentation. PAN cards serve as a primary form of identification for individuals in India and are widely used for financial transactions, tax filings, opening bank accounts, and conducting business activities.

However, the proliferation of counterfeit PAN cards poses significant risks, including identity theft, financial fraud, tax evasion, and unauthorized transactions. Detecting fake PAN cards is therefore essential for maintaining the integrity of identity verification processes, ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements, and safeguarding individuals' identities and financial assets.

By developing an effective solution for detecting fake PAN cards using machine learning techniques, this project addresses a pertinent issue that impacts individuals, businesses, and government agencies alike, contributing to enhanced security, trust, and transparency in identity verification processes.

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### IV. IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of the paper encompasses the development of a comprehensive system for detecting fake PAN cards using machine learning techniques. This includes preprocessing PAN card images to enhance quality and normalize features, extracting relevant features to aid in distinguishing genuine cards from counterfeits, and developing a machine learning model, such as a convolutional neural network (CNN), for classification.

The paper also involves creating a user-friendly interface for uploading PAN card images and providing feedback on verification results, as well as implementing an administrative dashboard for system management and monitoring. Integration with external services, such as government databases or identity verification APIs, will be explored to enhance validation accuracy.

Thorough testing and evaluation will be conducted to assess the system's performance, and documentation will be provided for the system architecture, methodologies, and user guides. Deployment in a production environment and provisions for continuous improvement through maintenance, updates, and enhancements based on user feedback and technological advancements are also within the scope of the project.

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## V. REQUIREMENTS

**Image Upload:** Users should be able to upload PAN card images for verification.

**Image Preprocessing:** Preprocess uploaded images to enhance quality and normalize features.

**Feature Extraction:** Extract relevant features from PAN card images to aid in classification.

**Machine Learning Model:** Develop a machine learning model (e.g., CNN) to classify PAN card images as genuine or fake.

**Verification Feedback:** Provide feedback to users on the verification results of uploaded PAN card images.

**Administrative Dashboard:** Create an administrative dashboard for system management, user management, and viewing verification logs.

**Notification System:** Implement a notification system to alert users and administrators of verification results.

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## VI. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the PAN card fraud detection project employing machine learning techniques has yielded promising results, showcasing a robust model capable of accurately identifying fraudulent PAN card applications. Through the utilization of various algorithms and feature engineering methodologies, the model demonstrated high accuracy, precision, recall, and F1-score metrics, indicating its efficacy in distinguishing between genuine and fraudulent applications.

Crucial insights gleaned from feature analysis highlighted key indicators of fraudulent activities, including discrepancies in personal and financial information. The scalability of the solution suggests its potential integration into existing PAN card application systems, promising to automate and streamline fraud detection processes efficiently.

Successful deployment of this model could significantly mitigate risks associated with PAN card fraud, safeguarding the integrity of identification systems and preventing financial losses. Future directions may involve further enhancements through advanced machine learning techniques and real-time data integration, ensuring continuous model refinement to adapt to evolving fraud patterns and bolster security measures in identification systems.

Overall, the project underscores the effectiveness of machine learning in combating fraudulent activities, offering a proactive approach to address security challenges and instill trust in PAN card issuance processes for a safer digital ecosystem.

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