

# Leveraging Geolocation Technology, Machine Learning & AI to Detect and Mitigate Mobile Payment Fraud

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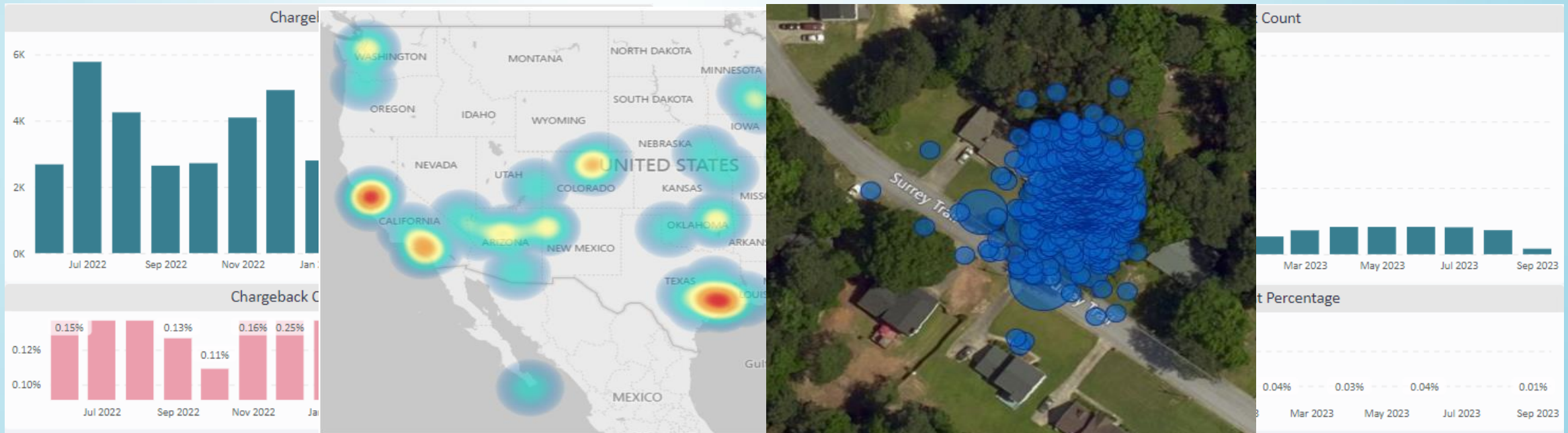
# Fraudster Behavior & Trends with Digital Wallets

# Our Fraud Mitigation Journey & Learnings

**July 2022:** With ~50,000 retail sites and 20M registered users, our clients started experiencing a surge in fraud and higher than normal chargebacks

**2022/23:** P97 started developing an Advance Fraud Detection and Monitoring Platform, including 120+ new mobile payment data & fraud monitoring tools, ML models and fraud blocking techniques

**Dec 2023:** P97's Advanced Fraud mitigation solution built on a multi-layered, machine learning and automated scoring engine has reduced our enterprise-wide chargebacks from 0.30% to 0.01%, with a flat decline rates



# Understanding Fraudulent Behavior

## 1. Fraudsters Acquire Lists of Stolen Credit Cards

- Bulk purchasing of credit card lists often sourced from the dark web

## 2. Download Mobile Payment Apps & Create New User Accounts

- Leverage apps and generic email for automating identities and authentication

## 3. Use Mobile Apps to Enroll Cards and Test Status

- Load stolen credit cards in mobile payment apps and attempt 'pre-authorizations' to test status, but do not finalize transactions

## 4. Distribute Validated Cards

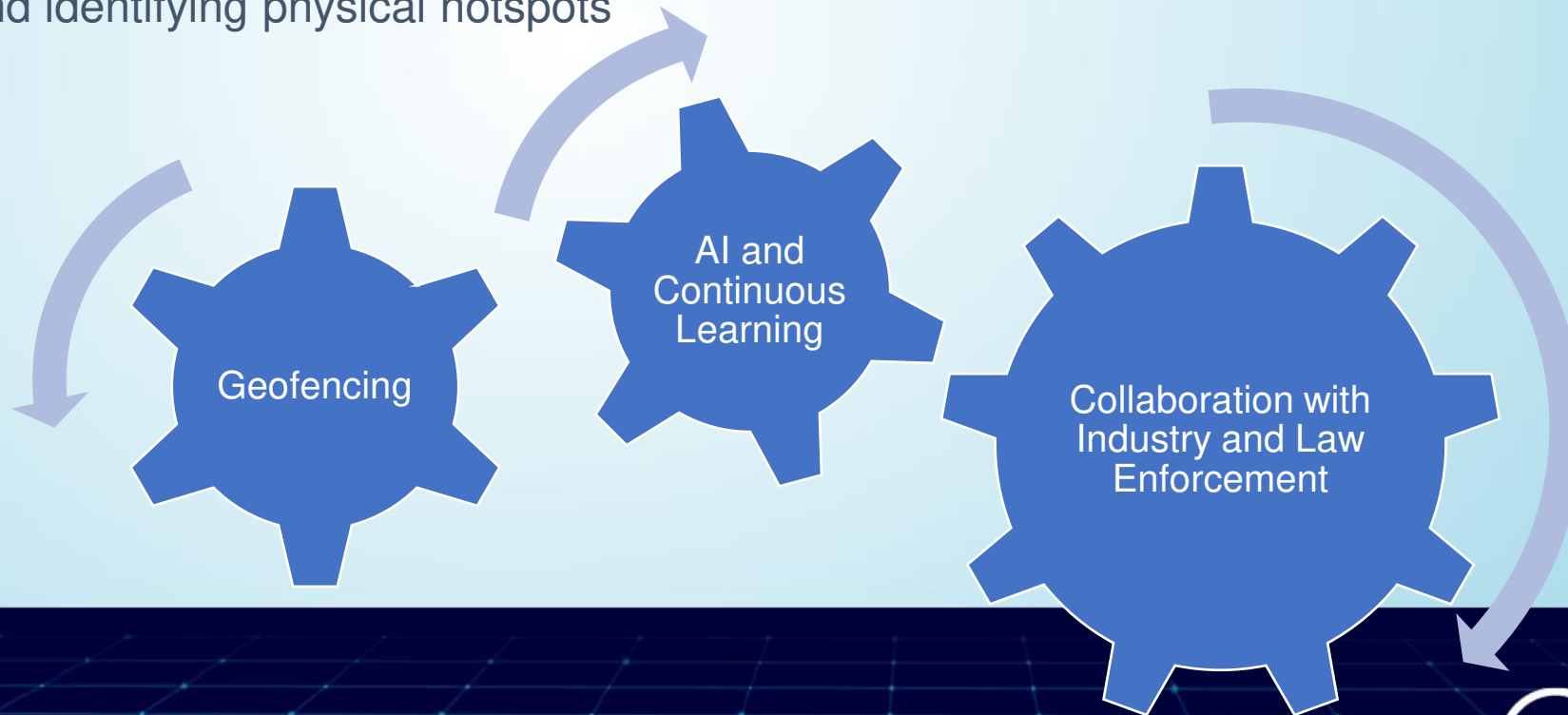
- Fraud rings distribute PAN data to their networks

## 5. Fraud Rings Target Outdoor Payment Terminals and Fuel Sites

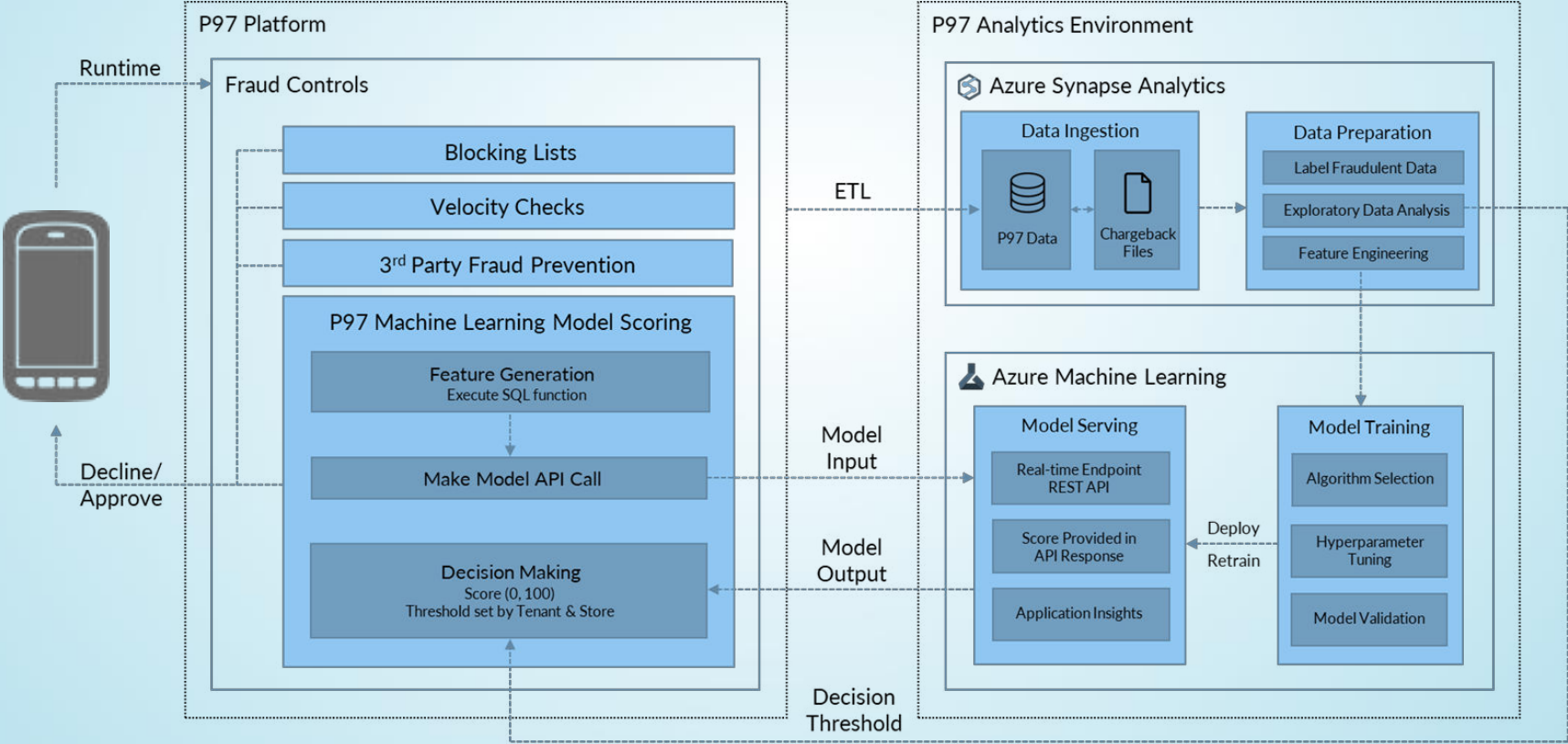
- Fraudster purchase fuel using Blatter Trucks to maximize value against pre-auth limits

# Using Geolocation Technology and Analysis to Proactively Detect and Mitigate Fraud

- **Locating and Preventing Criminal Activity:** Using geolocation technology and multi-layered, automated systems that leverage machine learning and scoring models provide tools for combating fraud and identifying physical hotspots

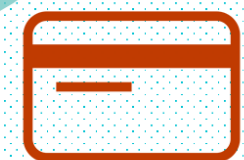
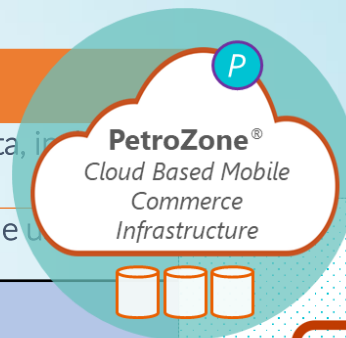


# Developing a Fraud Analytics & ML Platform



# 100's of Rules and Methods

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Model Zero	Evaluation of user payment source token data and mobile device geolocation data, in distance of provisioning event from billing zip code														
Distinct Count Billing Postcode	Dimension on Model Zero, count of distinct billing zip codes provisioned by single user														
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Phone Number															
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Provisioning



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Velocity Controls	Reporting Analytics	Card Processor Responses
Risk Assessment	Decision Matrix	Location based Analysis
Device Profile	Phone Number Validation	Behavior based Intelligence
Account Provisioning Lock	Enriched Multi-Factor Authentication	Hotspot Identification

# Key Techniques, Data, Methods, and Analytic Models for Detecting Fraudsters

## Billing Postcode Analysis

- Monitoring distance between billing zip codes and provisioning location

## Geolocation Analysis

- Monitoring identified fraud ring hotspots, locations, and geolocation epicenters

## Phone Number Analysis

- Validating phone numbers by carrier network, contract type, and user connections

## Email Evaluation Analysis

- Verifying email address by domain name, top-level domain(TLD), and ICANN registered lists



# Key Tools Developed for Detecting and Blocking Mobile Payment Fraudsters

## Emulation Protection

- Tools to prevent fraud transaction attempts through sophisticated Device Emulation associated with large-scale fraud rings

## Industry Wide Fraud Prevention Network

- Automated and network wide blocking of fraudsters by Device, Payment Credential, Token, User, Email, Phone Numbers, or other data collected from hot spots, chargeback data, and fraudulent behavior

## Continuously Learning Models And Real-Time Fraud Data

- Dynamically adapting models based on real-time fraud data, evolving payment methods, behaviors, patterns, and locations that fraudsters try to exploit

## Partnering With Law Enforcement

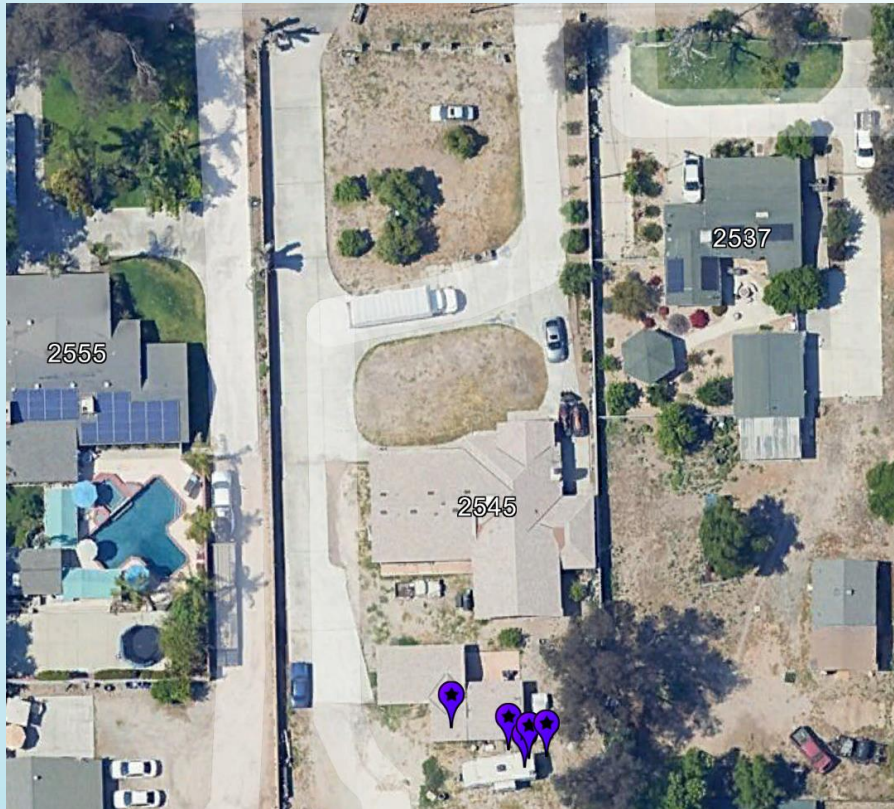
- Collaboration with Financial Crimes Task Forces and payment acquires to expose criminal behavior using data points from confirmed fraudulent transactions and behaviors

# Using Geolocation Data to Proactively Mitigate Fraud

- **Locating Criminal Activity:** We leverage geolocation data from confirmed fraudulent accounts to identify physical hotspots where fraudsters frequently load stolen credit cards.
- **Geofencing:** When an event occurs within a geofenced area, our advance fraud detection service immediately tags associated attributes for automatic blocking and updates our transaction scoring models to further improve fraud detection.
- **Customer-Agnostic Protection:** We harness fraudulent data across our entire tenant portfolio, empowering us to proactively prevent fraud for all P97 customers



# Anything look interesting or unusual in these pictures?



# Applying Geolocation Technology and ML to Detect and Mitigate Mobile Payment Fraud

- **Outstanding Results:** Fraud at less than 0.01% of sales across all P97 managed clients.
- **Proven and Powerful:** Multi-layered, automated systems that leverage machine learning and scoring models to combat fraud from multiple angles.
- **Collaborative Fraud Management:** Trusted by the industry leading brands to proactively identify trends and refine/adjust controls to ensure optimal protection against evolving threats.
- **Adaptive and Self-Training:** Continuously learning from real-time fraud data, dynamically adapting to evolving payment methods, behaviors, patterns, and locations that fraudsters exploit.
- **Automation Across industry:** Directly integrated with acquirers to pull chargebacks in near real-time, blocking fraudsters and continuously updating our fraud models with new fraud data and ensuring constant adaptation to new fraud patterns.
- **Law Enforcement Partnerships:** Actively collaboration with local law enforcement task forces, sharing insights to stop fraudsters and extend fraud prevention efforts beyond our platform.