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Proposal: Exception Prioritization by Utilizing Data Visualization

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INTRODUCTION

- Firms deal with huge amounts of data, and the use of advanced analytics on a daily continuous basis is necessary to detect, and possibly prevent fraud
- However, despite the use of such advanced techniques, large amount of exceptions are generated causing further investigation to be costly
- These scenarios raise the question of how users can organize and make sense of the such voluminous data



INTRODUCTION

 I propose to utilize data visualization techniques/tools in order to visualize detected exceptions, and ultimately help auditors gain insight and be able to pin point the more suspicious, and potentially fraudulent cases



METHODOLOGY

• For example, let the sets and objects be as follows:

SETS:

OBJECTS:

- User Profiling = {ID101, ID102, ID103, ID104)
- Clustering = {ID103, ID106, ID107}
- Expert System = {ID103, ID105}
- Sets are the different analytic tests being conducted
- Objects are the distinct records/transactions that are flagged based on the audit analytic tests





 In the case of our three sets, the intersection is record = {ID103}, hence this transaction will get more weight and will be ranked higher than the others



CONCLUSION

- The proposal is still a work in process
- I will attempt to utilize data visualization techniques in order to help identify the more suspicious exceptions
- I will also utilize different criteria, such as frequency and amounts for better identification



