

Anomaly detection and transaction monitoring is a complex business problem





Challenges

- 1 Data barriers
- 2 Manual control mechanism

- 3 Obsolete techniques
- 4 Rising compliance cost



Challenges

Data barriers

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Manual control mechanism

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- Data integration challenges due to multiple, siloed sources with different data types and data quality issues, leading to increase in complexity
- Manual checking not able to keep up with rising transaction volumes and makes only sample testing possible, leading to leakages of anomalies
- Turnaround time (TAT) breaches/closure in delays due to manual tracking and lack of audit trails and holistic visibility
- High full-time equivalent (FTE)
 involvement and costs due to manual
 processes with more time being spent on
 identifying anomalies and less on resolving
 them

Obsolete techniques

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- Anomaly patterns keep changing, making static business rules/supervised models obsolete in a short span of time
- Key anomalies not being tagged as validation done only on known risks/patterns with dated predefined rules

Rising compliance cost

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- Lack of flexibility in existing monitoring systems to keep pace with the increasing regulatory focus on governance and controls
- Increased compliance cost as audit observations lead to key stakeholder involvement for post-facto remediation

Are your business, risk and compliance teams ...



...keeping pace with today's dynamic needs?



Anomaly Detection Platform



Artificial intelligence (AI) driven digital platform



Detecting and preventing anomalies

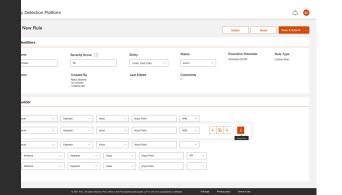


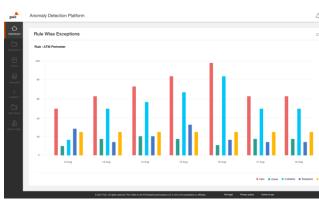
Continuous transaction monitoring

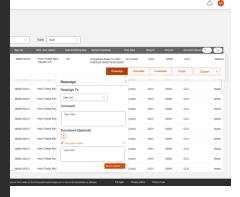


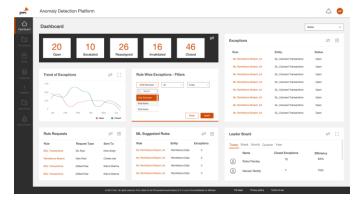
Uncovering unknown patterns and risks using unsupervised machine learning (ML) methods

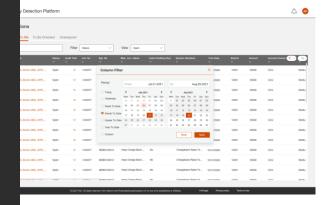


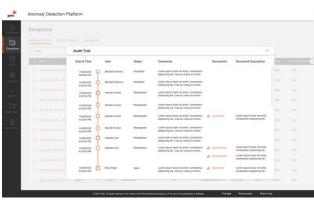












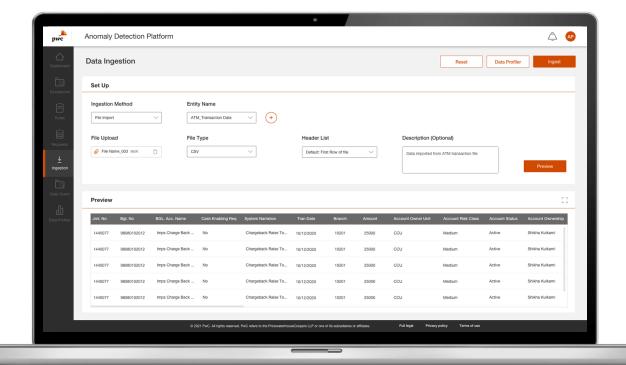
Empower your teams with our **one-stop**, **fully automated** platform

Platform features



Data ingestor

Process any structured and unstructured data through seamless integration with multiple data source types using our built-in API connectors

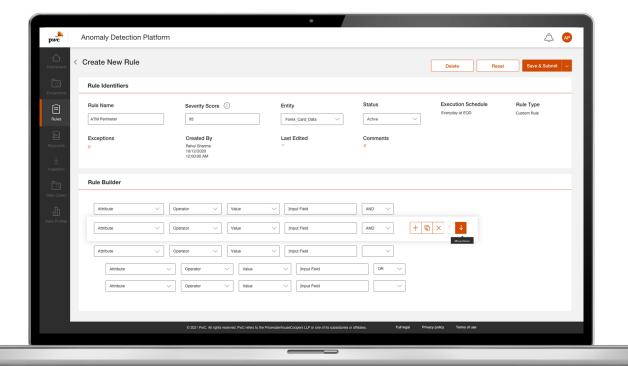


Platform features



Heuristic rules engine with ML module

Tackle both known and unknown risks with our prebuilt rules libraries and unsupervised ML models respectively, via a business-friendly user interface (UI) for rules configuration

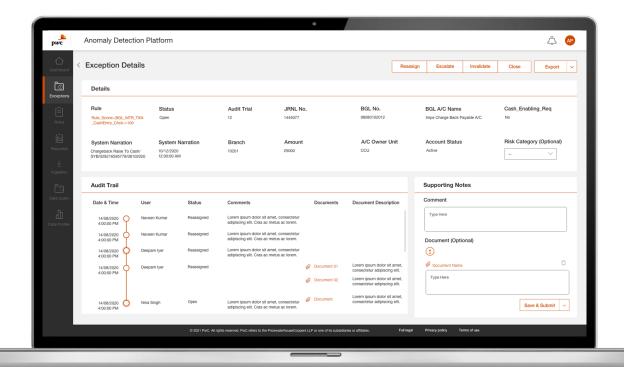


Platform features



Workflow manager

Seize full control of exception management with our customisable workflow manager with real-time user notifications, contextual nudges, audit logs and feedback loops

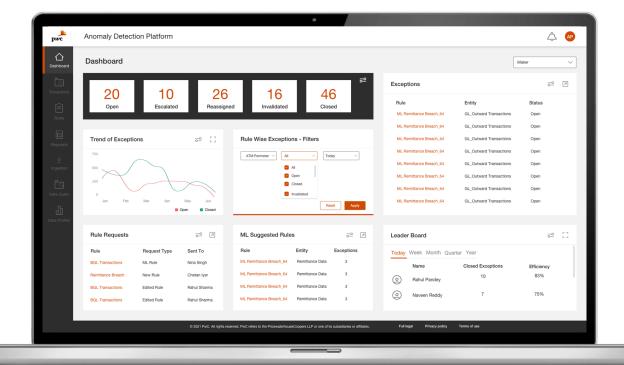


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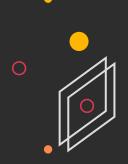
Dashboard and insights

Deliver insights via our personalised and actionoriented dashboards aimed at all levels, including analysts and CxOs to drive always-on monitoring of exceptions



Streamlined processes, proactive remediation and seamless compliance

Platform benefits



01 Realise full data coverage

Analyse complete data for improved anomaly detection and transaction monitoring by eliminating reliance on sample data

02 Uncover unknown patterns

Use unsupervised ML methods to discover elusive outliers in any dataset without pre-labelling its data beforehand

03 Empower your organisation

Equip non-ML users to utilise ML via our platform's easy-to-use, explainable ML features for deriving smarter insights







Platform benefits

04 Drive holistic visibility

Power continuous monitoring with workflows, real-time alerts and dashboards for effective exception management

05 Elevate operational efficiency

Improve lead times and decrease FTE hours by focusing on exception resolution rather than manual exception identification

06 Demonstrate compliance seamlessly

Harness our platform's powerful audit trails and custom reports to demonstrate compliance to internal and external stakeholders

A platform with a difference

Deep domain know-how

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Explainable ML model

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Platform extensibility

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- PwC has deep domain knowledge and local regulatory and compliance expertise necessary for solving anomaly detection and transaction monitoring
- Our solution is built on the insights from PwC professionals across Al/ML, risk, compliance and RegTech teams, and will help you remain informed of the ever-evolving risks
- Our ML models have been designed with 'explainability' as a central pillar to empower even non-ML users to derive insights and use them meaningfully
- This ability to signify the rationale of ML outputs to both internal and external stakeholders is key to driving successful ML adoption for business benefits
- Our platform, with its open architecture, can be easily integrated with existing systems and applications, and tailored to cater to multiple business use cases at a low cost, making this a sustainable solution
- Moreover, our flexible deployment option, either via cloud or on premise, makes for rapid deployment



Illustrative use cases

Manufacturing (with online/offline retailing)



Production

- Machine health flagging irregular behaviours
- Overall equipment effectiveness (OEE) – drilled down monitoring
- Condition monitoring using power data



Product quality

- Early warning signals manufacturing quality
- Warranty analytics fraudulent claims flagging



Supply chain

 Inventory threshold monitoring at warehouse and store level



Finance

- Bank reconciliation
- Account receivable reconciliation (AR)
- Vendor invoice reconciliation (AP)
- GST reconciliation
- Intercompany reconciliation



Sales management

- Distribution/channel partner onboarding
- Spotting bugs in online portals (mispriced items, etc.)
- Early detection of online frauds (coupon misuse, declined transactions, etc.)
- · Data quality and assurance



Illustrative use cases

FMCG



Production

- Early warning signals manufacturing quality
- Predictive maintenance flagging irregular behaviours
- Overall equipment effectiveness (OEE) – drilled down monitoring



Supply chain

- Inventory reconciliation and threshold monitoring
- Distributor discount commission model checks
- Fraud risk management



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Sales management

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- Data quality and assurance
- Detecting sudden surge/decline in online/offline shopping
- Spotting bugs in online portals (mispriced items, etc.)
- Early detection of online frauds (coupon misuse, declined transactions, etc.)



Illustrative use cases

Banking and nonbanking financial companies (NBFCs)



Customer management

AML alerts and monitoring

check for leads

Unrelated parties identification

Leads and customer (KYC check)

Data quality and assurance (control



Finance

- GL transaction monitoring and reconciliation
- Account receivable reconciliation (AR)
- Vendor invoice reconciliation (AP)
- Commission variance reconciliation



Operations

checks)



Audit

- Transaction level checks w.r.t concurrent audit (including rate
 - Loans evergreening monitoring

reasonability, deal confirmation)

Branch audit checks



- ATM perimeter monitoring
- SWIFT reconciliation
- Capital markets reconciliation
- Investment portfolio monitoring and reconcilation
- Digital payments reconciliation



Risk

- Portfolio monitoring
- Monitoring of suspicious transactions at branch level
- Monitoring of suspicious customer deposits



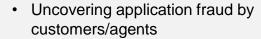


Illustrative use cases

General insurance







- Pre-policy issuance checks (incorrect disclosures)
- Leads and customers (KYC and unrelated parties check)
- Data quality and assurance (controls)



Finance

- · General ledger reconciliation
- Inter-company reconciliation
- Premium collection reconciliation
- Commission payout reconciliation
- Accounts receivable reconciliation (AR)
- Accounts payable reconciliation (AP)



Underwriting

- · Predictive risk scoring for intelligent underwriting
- Risk assessment using wearables data
- Enhanced underwriting via cognitive capture



Operations

- · Persistency monitoring
- AML alerts and monitoring
- Investment portfolio monitoring and reconciliation



Claims management

- Medical service provider collusion billing checks
- Padded claims detection for motor insurance
- Organised fraud, including staged collisions
- Policyholder profile, claims history, and location-based triggers
- Subrogation case detection



Illustrative use cases

Life insurance



Customer management



- Uncovering application fraud by customers/agents
- Pre-policy issuance checks (incorrect disclosures)
- Leads and customers (KYC and unrelated parties check)
- Data quality and assurance (controls)



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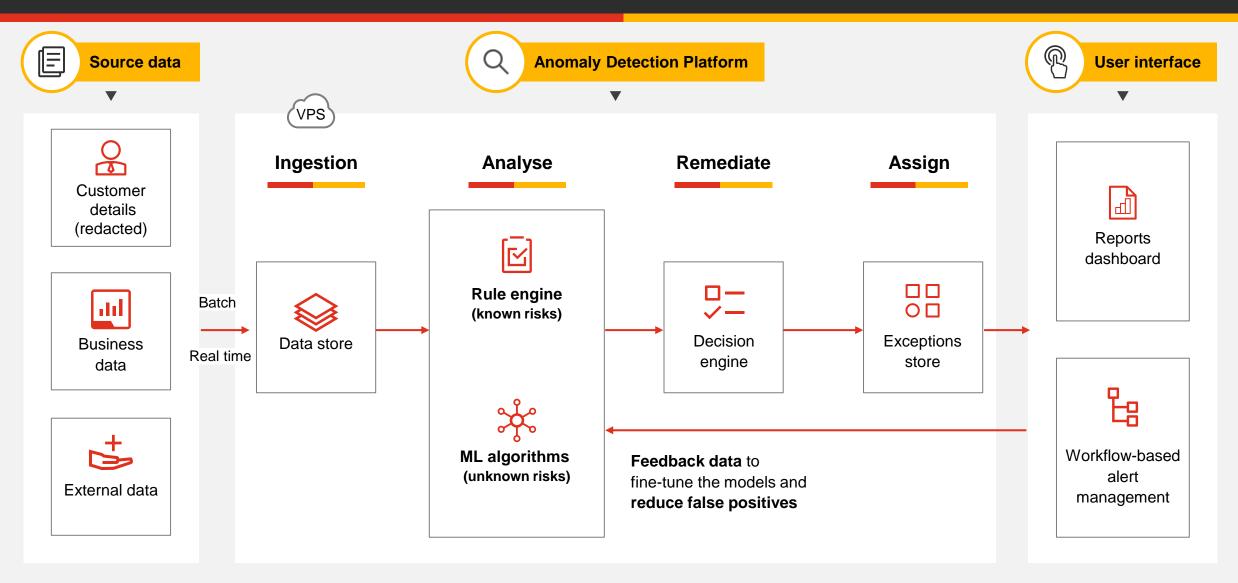
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Claims management

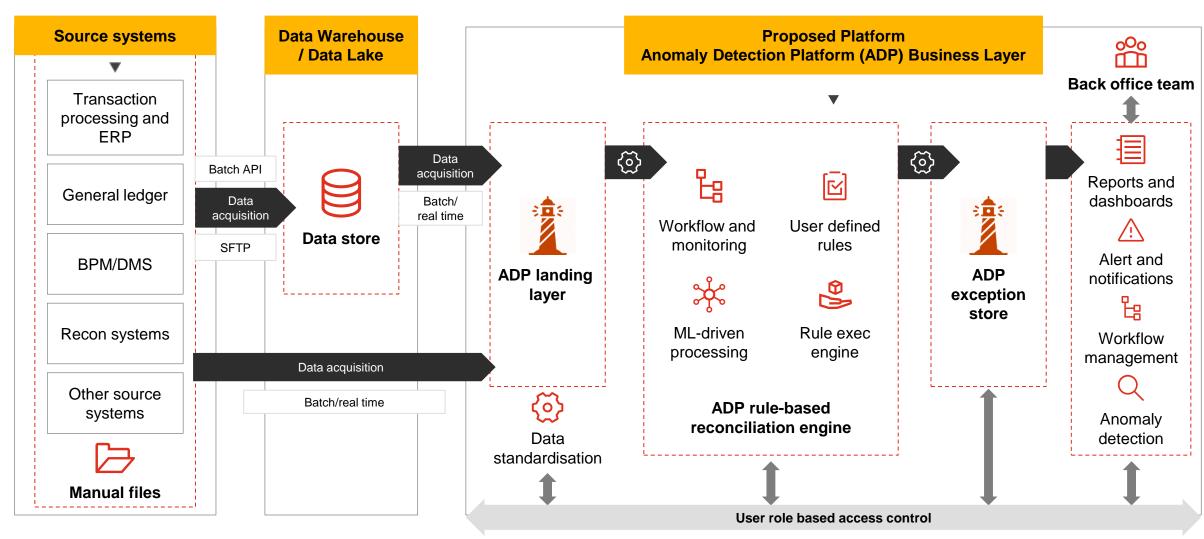
- · Payout optimisation and settlement
- Fraud detection using predictive analytics
- Litigation prevention via text analytics
- Fraud detection using predictive analytics

Platform architecture



Overall solution architecture (illustrative)

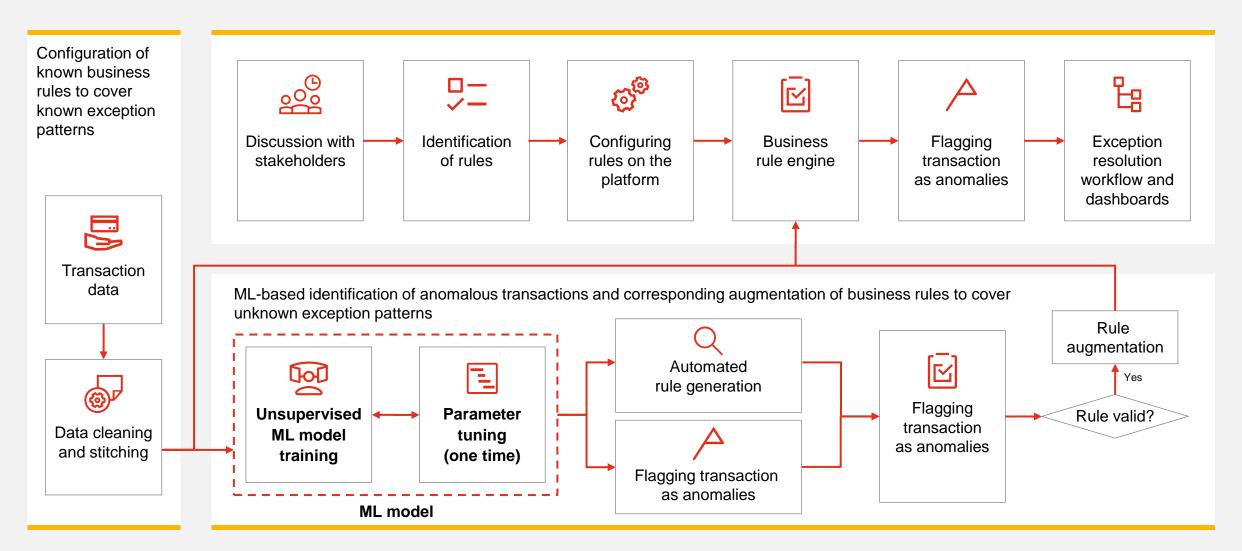




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Process flow





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Case study 1

Client profile A leading Indian private bank

Critical client issues



- Revenue leakage due to mismatch between expected registrar and transfer agents (RTAs) commission payout vs actual commission payout by the bank
- Requirement of an automated tool for evaluating the effectiveness of the existing commission-calculation framework to assist the bank in comparing RTA commission vis-à-vis system calculated commission

Our approach



- Used PwC's Anomaly Detection to recalculate the commission by leveraging on existing reports and calculation logics using 100% data
- Developed models to identify anomalistic scenarios in commission mismatches
- Provide a report documenting the reasons of the commission variances by analysing the material differences

What we delivered







- Automated controls
- Review of variance
- Platform build
- Dashboard visualisation
- End-to-end automation

Impact



The recalculation resulted in **savings** worth more than INR 25 crore for FY 2018-19

Case study 2

Client profile
A leading Indian private bank

Critical client issues



- Multiple, siloed recon systems and general ledger (GL) applications in the existing system landscape
- TAT breaches due to manual, nonstreamlined GL anomaly handling processes
- Missing out on unknown patterns due to reliance on pre-defined static rules
- Lack of recon visibility due to poor audit trail

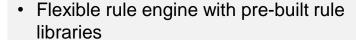
Our approach



- Automate and streamline the monitoring of all GL anomalies via configurable business rule library, action-oriented alerts and proactive notifications
- Provide visibility into open anomalies with their ageing and priority tagging basis the TAT for various GLs, with detailed audit trails
- Power ML-pattern analysis to recognise mismatching patterns over time and recommend proactive remediation
- Enable timely reports and dashboards for helping with audits and tracking key operational metrics

What we delivered





- Customisable exception workflow manager
- Intelligent ML pattern analyser
- Intuitive dashboards for analysts and CFOs

Impact



 Our platform will help the client improve its GL anomaly detection and monitoring process, thereby reducing their overall compliance cost

Case study 3

Client profile
One of India's largest FMCG companies

Critical client issues



- Risks of invoice fraud and duplicate payments due to a large volume of invoices
- High costs due to manual anomaly handling process, poor audit trails and exception status visibility
- Omitted unknown patterns since only known invoice risks/patterns considered
- Higher compliance cost due to stakeholder involvement for post-facto remediation

Our approach



- Provide an integrated, digital platform on Azure for vendor invoice anomaly detection and monitoring with built-in exception handling workflows
- Automate and streamline the vendor invoice monitoring process via configurable business rule library, action-oriented alerts, proactive notifications and audit trails
- Power ML-pattern analysis to capture unkown risks and recommend proactive remediation
- Build the solution as a flexible, extensible platform with a capability to drive future insights via configurable dashboards

What we delivered



- Heuristic rules engine with pre-built rule libraries
- Intelligent ML pattern analyser
- Automated data ingestor
- · Customisable workflow manager
- Configurable dashboards for key stakeholders

Impact



- Our solution will help the client futureproof their vendor payment process by making it more robust, scalable and error free with the use of advanced analytics augmented features
- Client can also launch other AI/ML use cases through this platform in the future





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