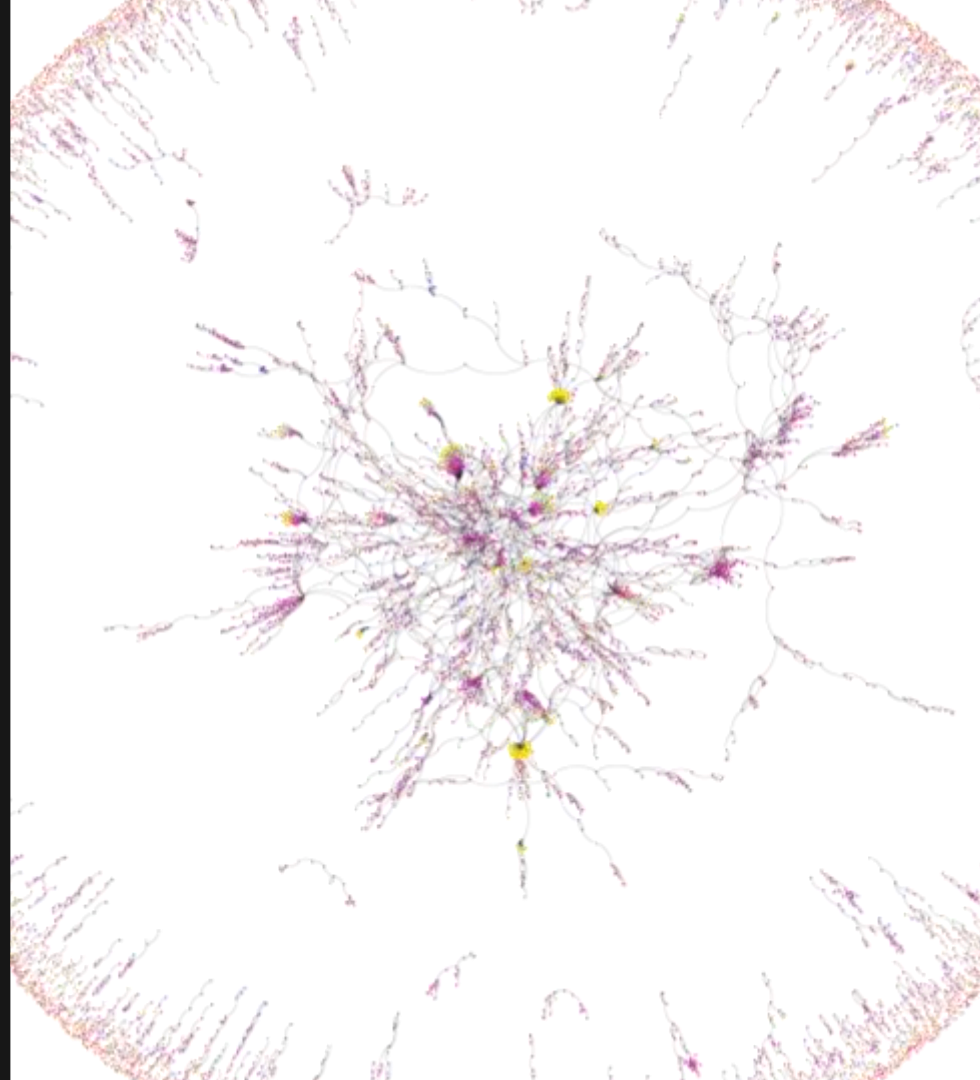


Uncovering Fraud and Financial Crime

Using AI and Machine Learning to Uncover Sophisticated
Patterns of Fraud and Money Laundering

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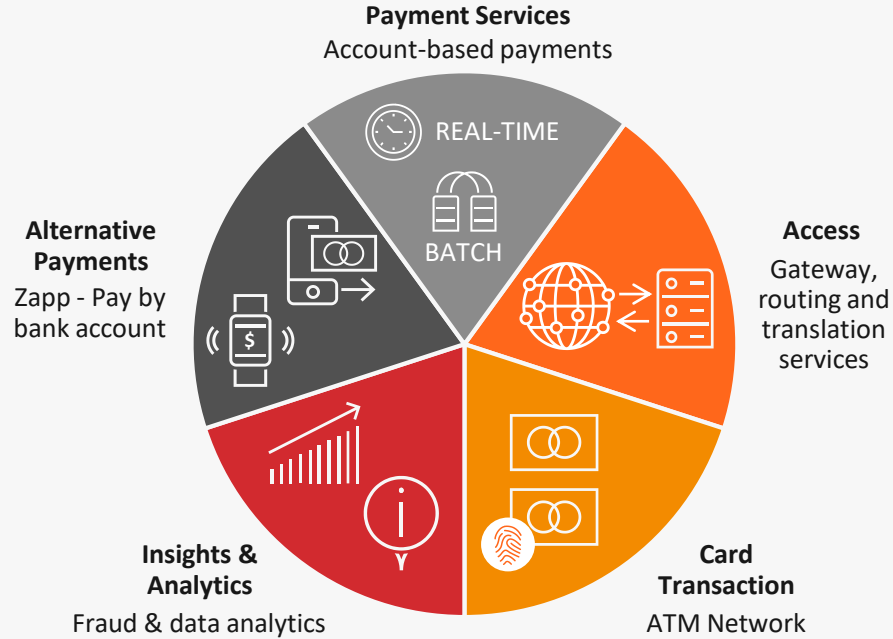
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Vocalink - Company history



We're at the heart of payments – both in the UK and worldwide



The current fraud and AML landscape | Pressure from all sides

\$2 trillion

Est. laundered globally every year
United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime

\$36 billion

Bank AML, KYC and sanctions fines for non-compliance in 2019
Fenergo 2020

\$8.14 billion

Bank AML penalties for non-compliance in 2019
Encompass Corporation 2020

£135 million

Est. frozen funds in UK Financial Institutions unable to be repatriated
UK Finance

74 percent

Unrecoverable losses to scams
UK Finance

Scale of data to drive research

Machine learning algorithms and technology trained on significant volumes of payment and non-payment data

+20
BILLION

transactions, amounting
to \$trillions in value

+100
MILLION

unique
accounts

+700
MILLION

money laundering
data points

+375
MILLION

unique
relationships

+100,000

money laundering
motifs examined

+18
BILLION

business payments fraud
data points

The fraud and AML challenge in account to account payments



With real-time payments
comes real-time fraud

*Fraudsters can steal and launder funds
quicker than ever before*



Fraudsters are getting smarter

*Increasing sophistication make financial crime
harder to identify and harder to trace*

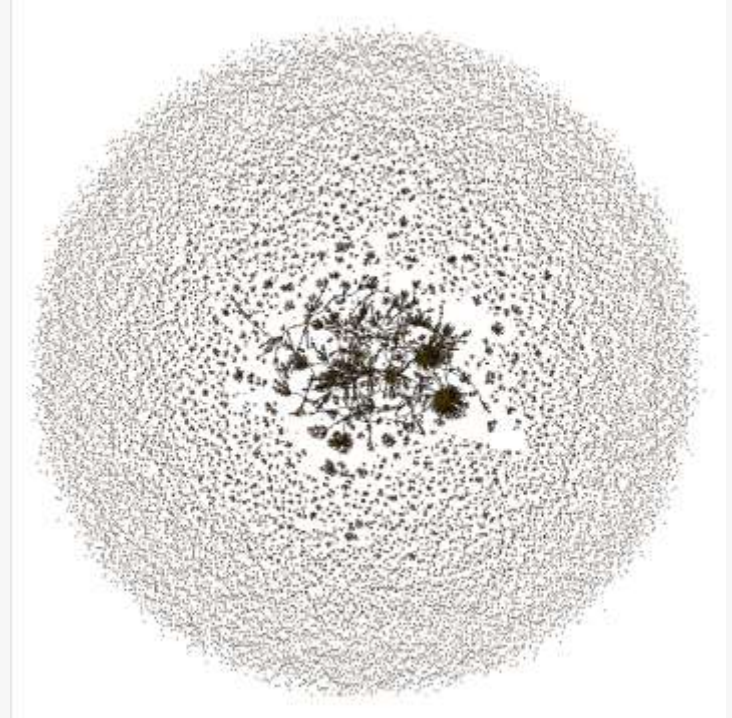


Money is rarely recovered

*The further stolen funds move away
from the source, the harder they are to
trace*

Live - UK | Mule Insights Tactical Solution – Network Level Analytics

- The first network level solution of its kind - Globally
- Designed to provide additional intelligence to tackle fraud and money laundering to all participants involved
- Used to investigate known or suspect cases of money laundering, fraud or APP scams
- Assists in the tracing of dispersed illicit funds across the Faster Payments Scheme (FPS)



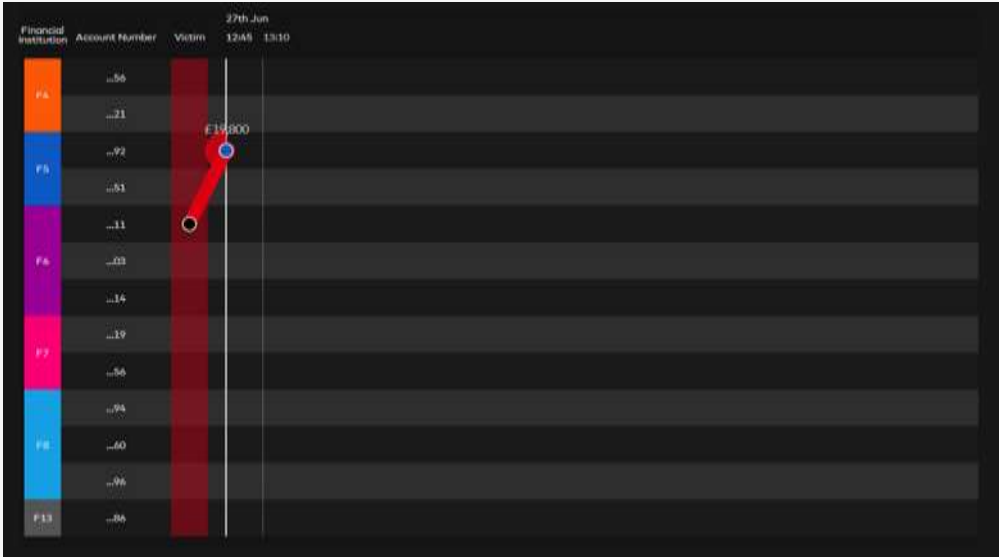
Real-time fraud & money laundering | The problem

Financial institution view

A bank's view of money laundering is limited to the movement of illicit funds within its own accounts.

Once the funds leave the financial institution's accounts, it loses sight of them.

First movement of illicit funds



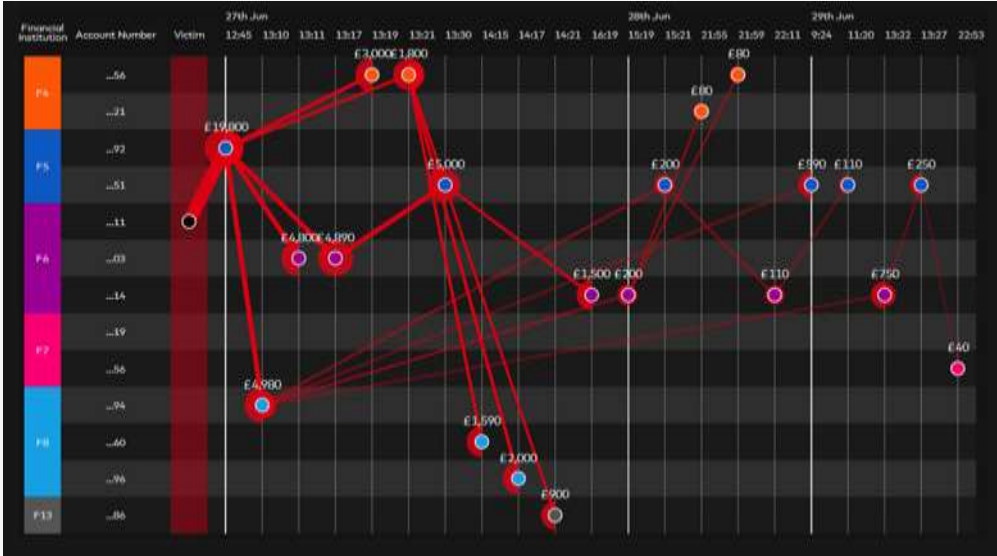
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Network view

Money launderers quickly move illicit funds between accounts across multiple financial institutions.

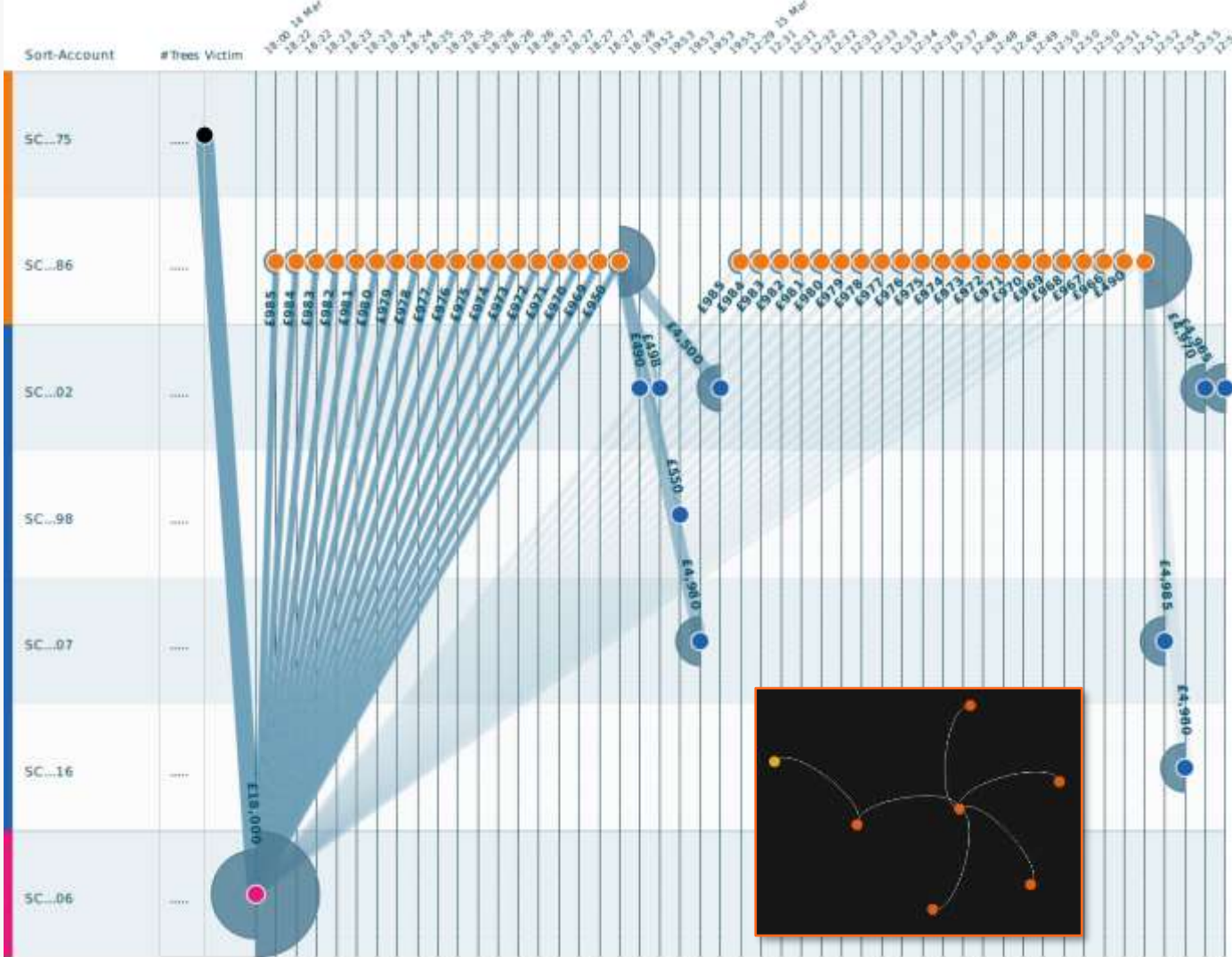
The further away they move, the lower the chance of tracing or repatriating illicit funds.

Subsequent movements of illicit funds



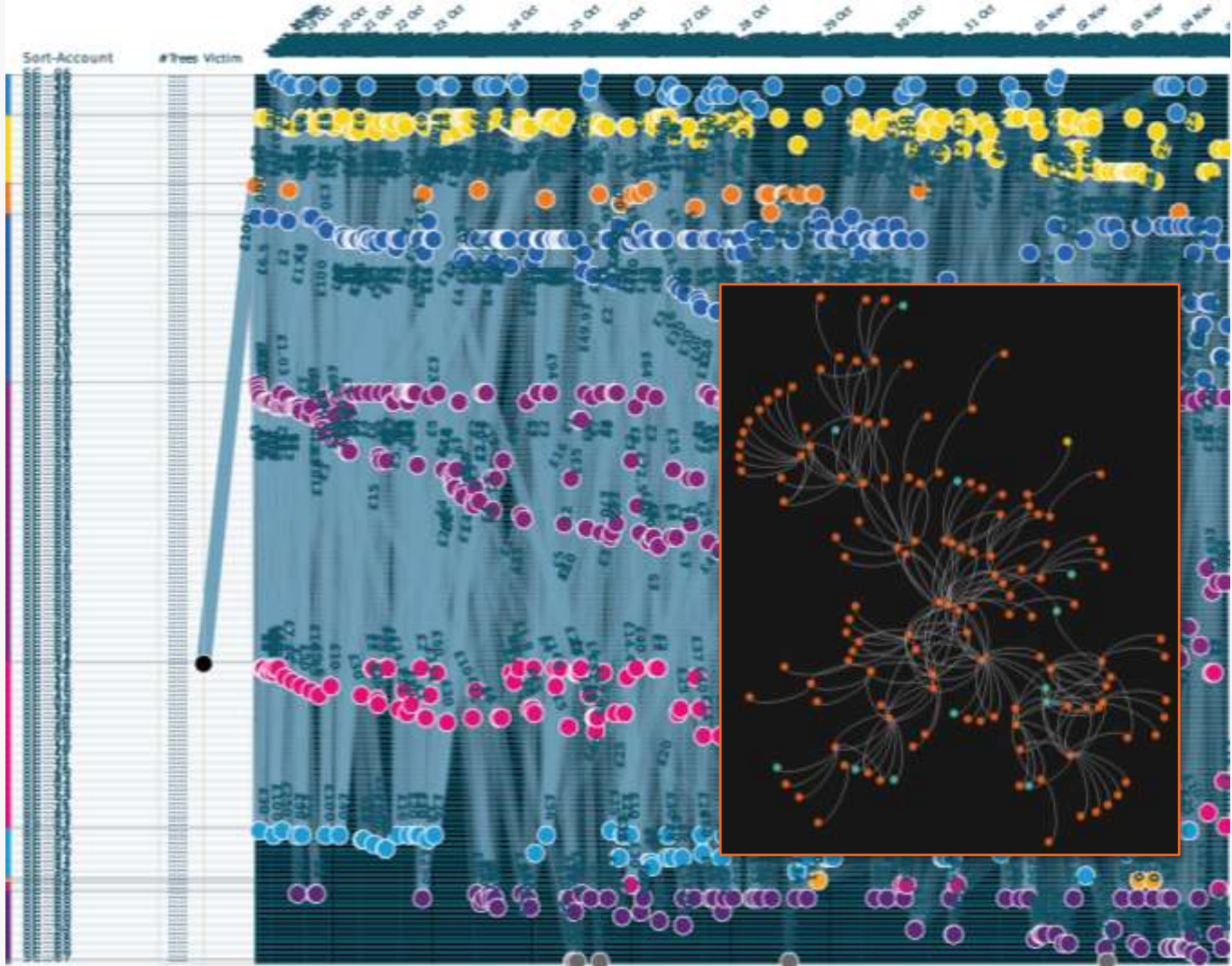
Rapid dispersal

- Automated disbursement attack
- Rapid movement from 1st generation mule to other mules in order to hide funds
- Decreased payment amount by £1 every time



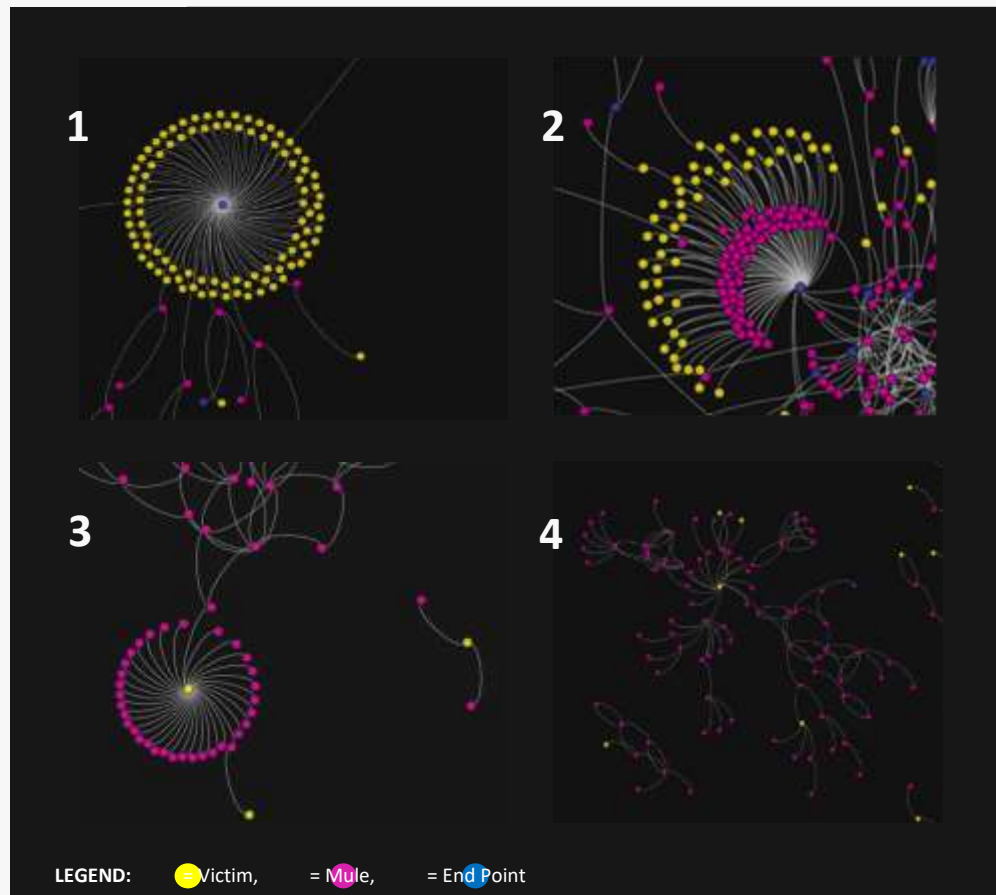
Extreme networks

- Extreme movement of funds
- Small amounts moved between hundreds of accounts
- Many references to raffles and lottery
- Deep network with over 70 generations and 200 accounts



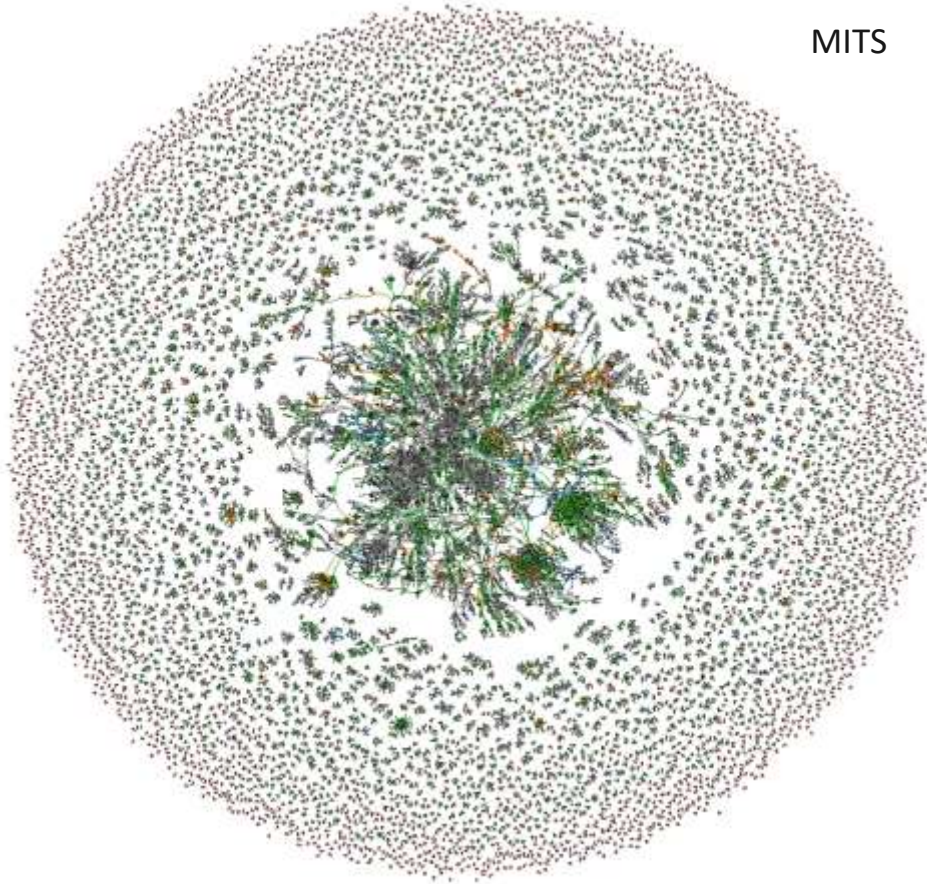
Patterns of exploitation

- A number of victims of a fraud or scam with one egress point, likely phishing or account takeover
- Typical flow from victims to multiple mules to one egress point
- One victim connected to multiple mule accounts
- Broader dispersion tree showing flow of laundering

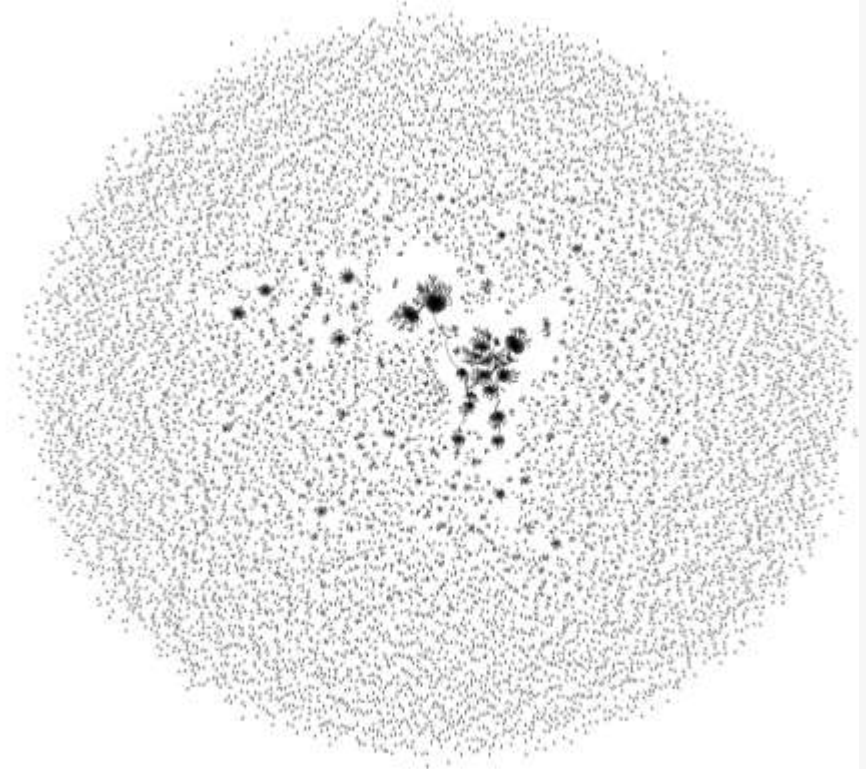


Trace and Alert (MITS) to date | Networks

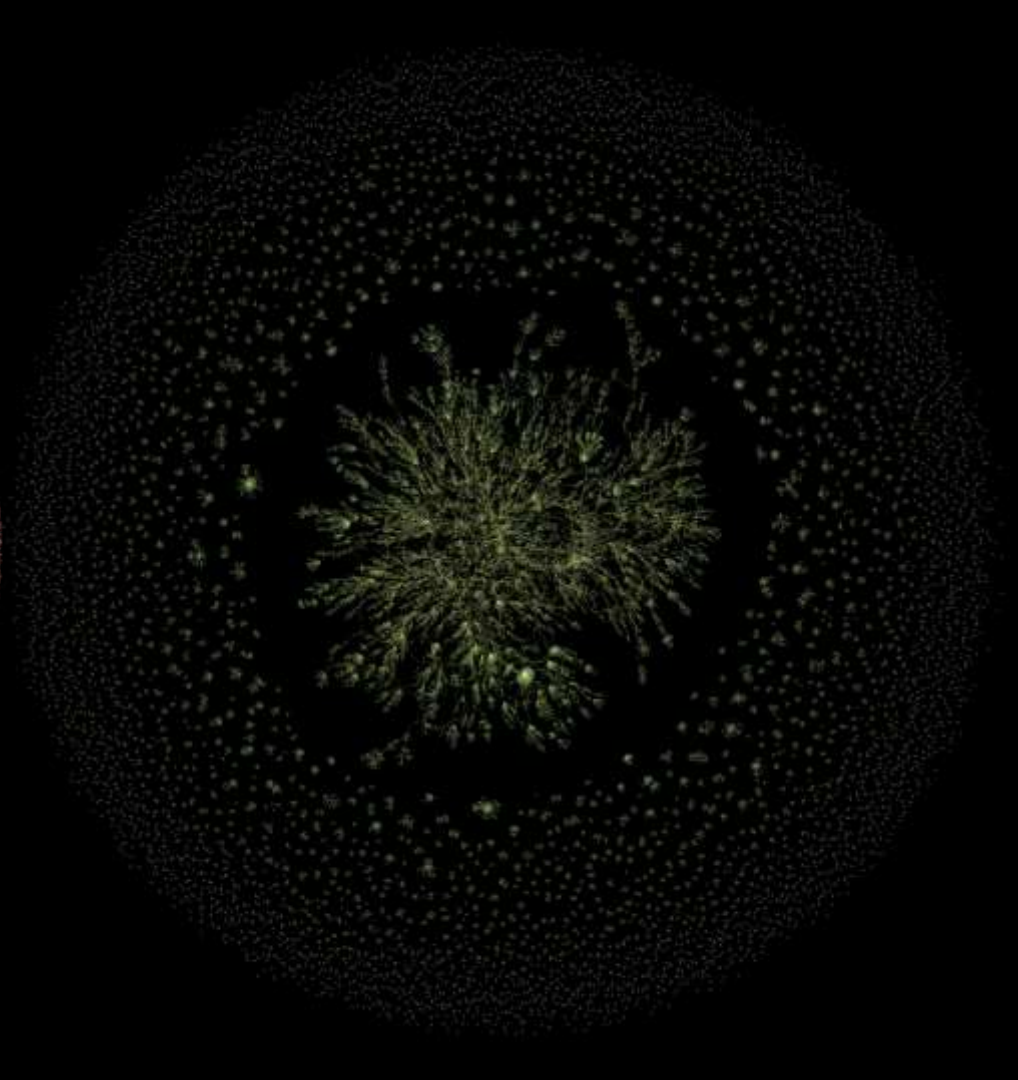
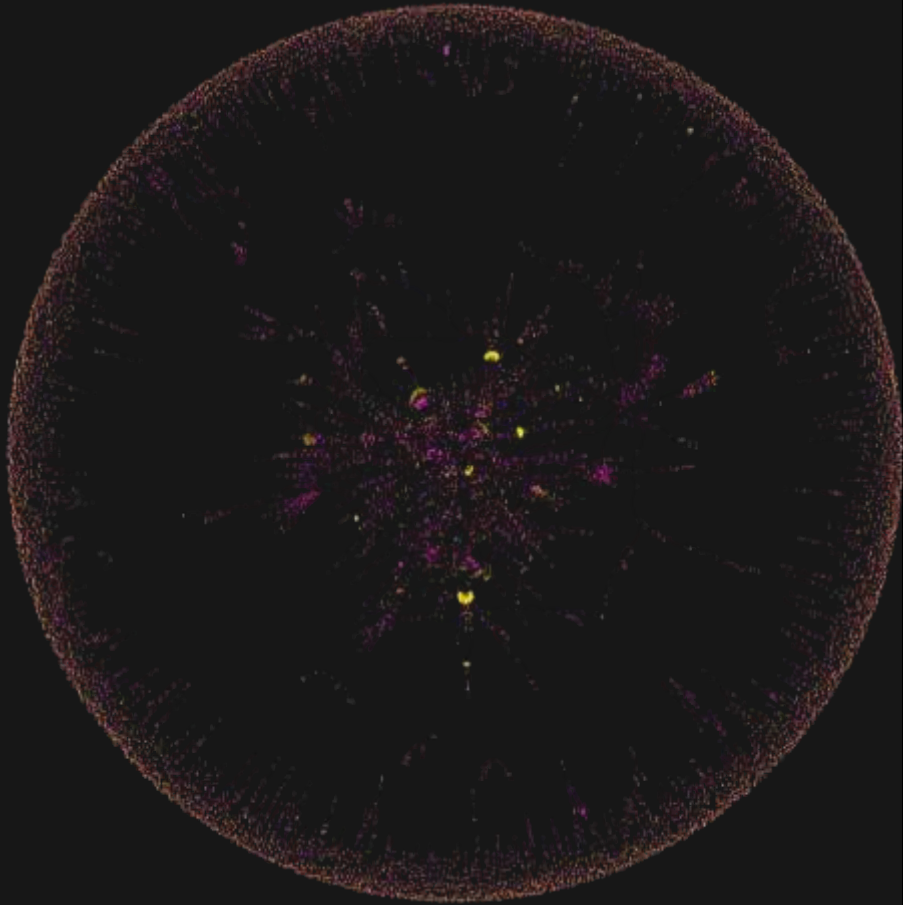
MITS



Random UK



Sophistication is on the rise



New Initiatives

- New Participants
- Government (Use cases to support fraud reduction, ID and more)
- Law enforcement
- International The Clearing House (U.S) – Trace and Alert

Evolution - Prevent:

- CHAPS (BoE)
- Cheque
- Retail (Scams / APP)
- Enhancements to existing Prevent - Business solution



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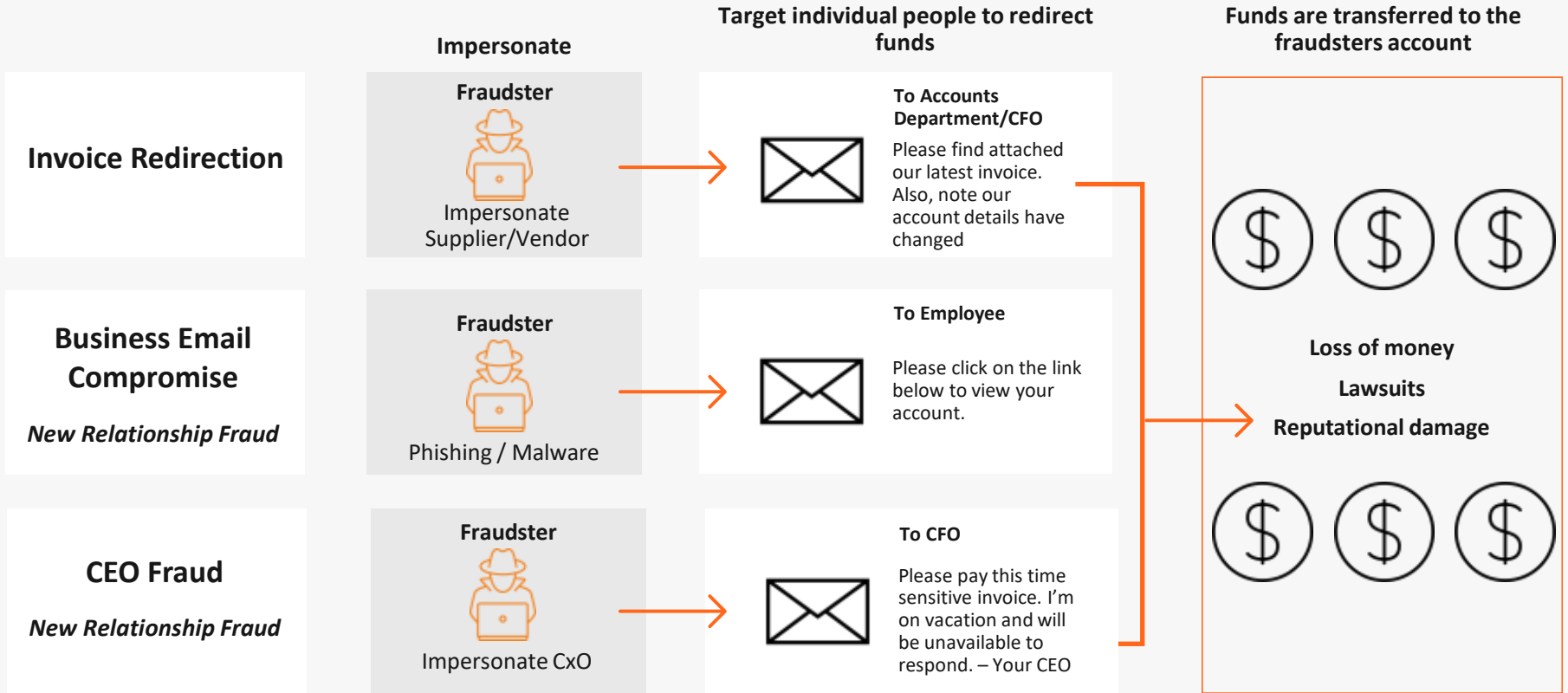


Prevent - Business Fraud

Protecting customers from payments-
related fraud

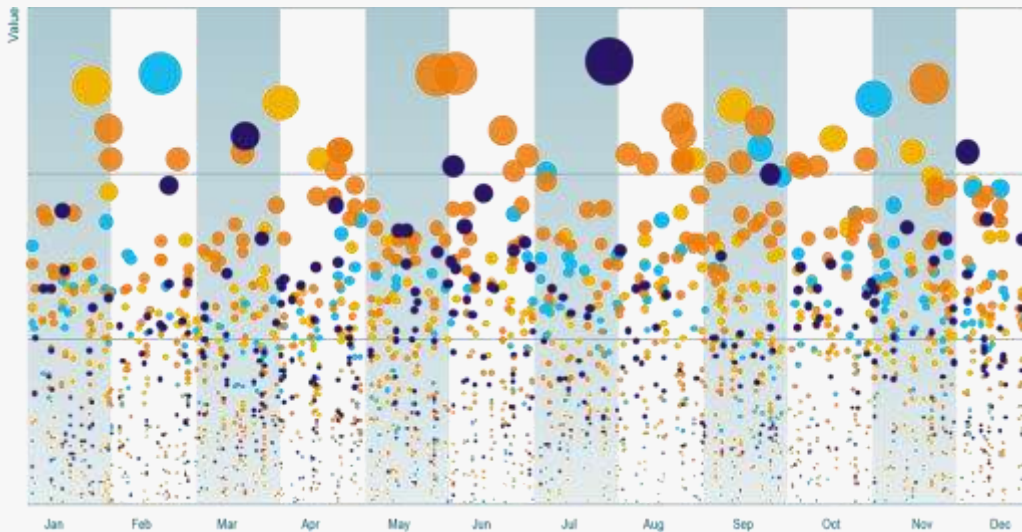


Problem | Through social engineering and cyberattacks, fraudsters trick businesses into making payments into accounts they control



Targeting business payments fraud

- Risk for these types of fraud are distributed across time and amount
- Limited correlation between risk and size of payments
- Machine learning is the only tool capable of weeding out the frauds from the legitimate



\$ 26B

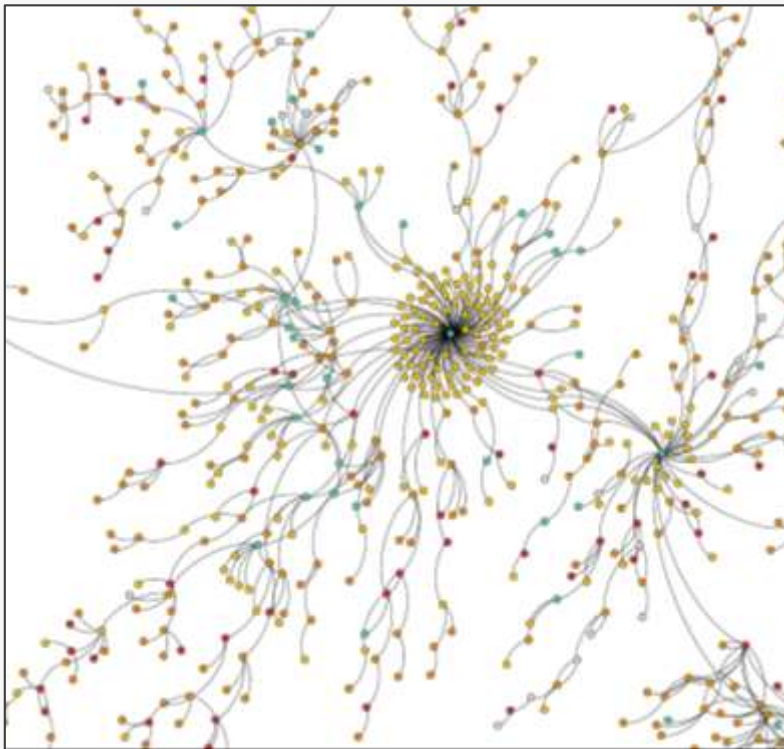
Est. global CEO / BEC fraud losses
Oct 2013 to Jul 2019

\$ 158K

Av. amount lost per BEC/CEO
incident
Oct 2013 to Jul 2019

Summary: AI techniques can be used to tackle multiple types of sophisticated criminal behaviour

- Trace and alert on financial crime across payment networks and geographies
- Prevent instances of fraud
- Has the potential to support numerous use cases in the public sector (subject to relevant permissions)
- Supports anti-bribery / corruption regulatory requirements
- Suffocate illicit funds which finance real life issues globally – e.g. human trafficking, drugs and terrorism



Thank you

