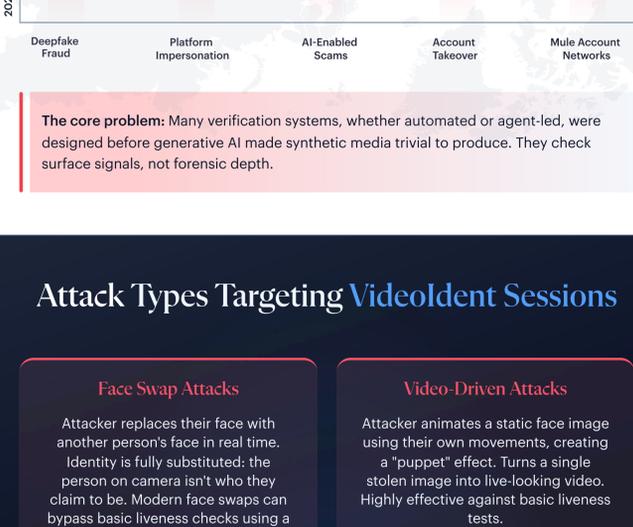


# Multi-Layered Defence Against Deepfakes, Synthetic Media, And Identity Fraud



## The Fraud Landscape Has Changed

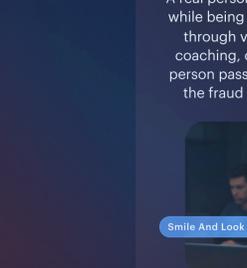


**The core problem:** Many verification systems, whether automated or agent-led, were designed before generative AI made synthetic media trivial to produce. They check surface signals, not forensic depth.

## Attack Types Targeting Videoident Sessions

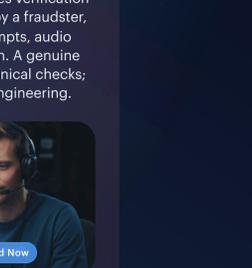
### Face Swap Attacks

Attacker replaces their face with another person's face in real time. Identity is fully substituted: the person on camera isn't who they claim to be. Modern face swaps can bypass basic liveness checks using a single stolen photo.



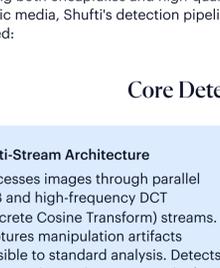
### Video-Driven Attacks

Attacker animates a static face image using their own movements, creating a "puppet" effect. Turns a single stolen image into live-looking video. Highly effective against basic liveness tests.



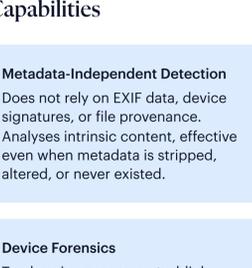
### Attribute Edit Attacks

Attacker modifies specific facial attributes (age, glasses, skin tone, facial hair) to match an ID photo. Changes are subtle and help bypass appearance consistency checks.



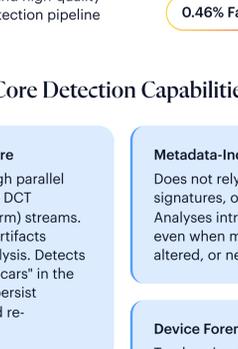
### Injection Attacks

Pre-recorded or manipulated video injected directly into the session, bypassing the device camera entirely. Attacker has unlimited time to perfect the deepfake. No real-time generation artifacts to detect through standard means.



### Coached Impersonation

A real person completes verification while being directed by a fraudster, through visible prompts, audio coaching, or coercion. A genuine person passes all technical checks; the fraud is social engineering.



## How Shufti Detects And Prevents These Attacks

### Layer 1

#### Forensic AI Detection

In benchmark testing against the Political Deepfakes Incidents Database (PIDID), including both cheapfakes and high-quality synthetic media, Shufti's detection pipeline achieved:

99.54% Accuracy

0.46% False Acceptance Rate

#### Core Detection Capabilities

##### Multi-Stream Architecture

Processes images through parallel RGB and high-frequency DCT (Discrete Cosine Transform) streams. Captures manipulation artifacts invisible to standard analysis. Detects compression-resistant "scars" in the frequency domain that persist through screenshots and re-encoding.

##### Metadata-Independent Detection

Does not rely on EXIF data, device signatures, or file provenance. Analyses intrinsic content, effective even when metadata is stripped, altered, or never existed.

##### Active and Passive Liveness

Active liveness prompts users to position their face and respond to challenges. Passive liveness runs silently, assessing light reflection patterns, skin texture, and depth to confirm genuine presence.

##### Device Forensics

Tracks micro-movements: blink frequency, pupil dilation, lip sync timing. Flags unnatural stillness, erratic eye movements, or mechanical motion patterns that may indicate synthetic generation.

##### Multi-Model Fusion

Combines outputs from multiple specialised detection models, each analysing different facial regions and artifact types. Weighted scoring produces unified risk assessment.

##### Behavioural Biometrics (AI Analysis)

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##### Continuous Adaptation

Automated pipeline monitors new deepfake generators. Retraining triggered when new methods exceed detection thresholds. Models updated without service disruption.

##### Noise-Signature Detection

Identifies generator-specific noise patterns left by GANs and diffusion models. Detects structural inconsistencies and frequency-domain artifacts that persist even when watermarks and compression traces are removed.

#### Detection Coverage

Attack Type	Primary Detection Method
Face Swap	Frequency analysis, blending boundary detection, texture inconsistency
Facial Reenactment	Motion analysis, lip sync verification, expression transfer artifacts
Attribute Edit	Facial region comparison, localised manipulation detection
Injection Attack	Device forensics, sensor signature verification, virtual camera detection
Cheapfakes	Multi-resolution analysis, editing tool signature detection

### Layer 2

#### Trained Expert Verification

Technology catches forensic anomalies. Experts catch human anomalies. Even with high detection accuracy, sophisticated fraud may present borderline signals, or attack vectors that are primarily social.



#### The Trained Expert Layer Adds

##### Real-Time Behavioural Assessment

- Observes hesitation, nervousness, or scripted responses
- Notes inconsistencies between claimed identity and verbal cues
- Assesses document handling, familiarity with their own ID

##### Environment and Context Evaluation

- Identifies unusual lighting or studio-like setups
- Notes background inconsistencies or suspicious locations
- Observes off-camera glances suggesting coaching or prompts

##### Coercion Signal Recognition

- Trained to recognise signs of distress or duress
- Identifies coached behaviour patterns
- Flags situations where the person may not be acting freely

##### Adaptive Questioning

- Contextual questions that scripted responses cannot anticipate
- Varied prompts to disrupt pre-rehearsed answers
- Probes inconsistencies surfaced during the session

##### Challenge-Response Verification

- Random prompts designed to disrupt pre-rendered video
- Requests requiring genuine real-time response

#### What Trained Experts Add to the Detection Layer

Signal Type	Primary Detection Method
Off-camera glances or audio cues	May indicate coaching or prompting
Hesitation before "personal" answers	May indicate scripted responses
Unusual document handling	Person unfamiliar with their own ID
Environmental anomalies	Studio setup, unusual lighting, suspicious background
Verbal inconsistencies	Answers don't match claimed identity or context
Signs of distress	Potential coercion, duress, or fraud victimisation

**Retention:** Configurable per your policy. Supports 5+ year retention for GwG/BaFin compliance requirements.

#### Evidence That Supports Investigation

##### Full Session Recording

**What It Contains:** Video of entire verification interaction

**Purpose:** Records behaviour for review

##### Forensic Analysis Summary

**What It Contains:** Detection outputs, confidence indicators

**Purpose:** Documents what AI analysis flagged

##### Captured ID Images

**What It Contains:** Front, back, security features, MRZ

**Purpose:** Documents what was inspected

##### Face Comparison

**What It Contains:** Side-by-side user face vs. document

**Purpose:** Confirms matching was performed

##### Consent Capture

**What It Contains:** Timestamped explicit consent

**Purpose:** GDPR compliance; dispute defence

##### TAN/OTP Confirmation

**What It Contains:** Session binding verification

**Purpose:** Documents authenticated user completed session

##### Expert Assessment

**What It Contains:** Decision, risk flags, notes

**Purpose:** Audit trail; investigation starting point

##### Timestamps and Metadata

**What It Contains:** Duration, location signals, device info

**Purpose:** Forensic context for review

## The Cost Of Getting It Wrong

#### Direct Loss

€1,000 - €100,000+

Funds stolen, chargebacks, remediation

#### Regulatory Fine

Reported penalties: €5M - €500M

Delayed SARs, inadequate controls, AML failures

#### Operational Burden

Staff time, consulting

Investigation, reporting, remediation

#### Customer Friction

Lost revenue, support costs

False positives block legitimate users

#### Reputation Damage

Hard to quantify; long recovery

Media coverage, customer churn

The math: At €5 per session, helping block one €10,000 fraud event pays for 2,000 verifications.

## Why Shufti for Fraud Prevention

### Capability

### What You Get

99.54% Benchmark Accuracy

Forensic AI validated against real-world deepfake datasets

Multi-Stream Analysis

RGB + frequency domain + device forensics + behavioural biometrics

Injection Detection

Camera signature database designed to detect virtual camera

iBeta Level 2 PAD Certified

Independent presentation attack detection validation

Trained Expert Network

Specialists trained on fraud indicators, coercion recognition

24/7 Availability

Matches fraud activity patterns across time zones

Continuous Adaptation

Automated retraining as new generators emerge

Flexible Deployment

Shufti agents, your agents, or hybrid

BaFin/FMA Aligned

Evidence supports DACH regulatory audit requirements

As low as €5 per verification

Apply fraud defence broadly without budget constraints

## Ready To See It In Action?

Forensic AI detection. Trained expert verification. Evidence designed for audit and investigation.

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