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Payment technology company FSS (Financial Software and Systems) has launched a new adaptive authentication solution based on the EMVCo 3DS 2.0 protocol to secure banks and customers against card-not-present fraud. Behavioral analysis and step-up verification measures including biometrics, according to a company announcement.

The new FSS Secure3D deploys advanced machine learning algorithms to detect anomalous transactions and continually adjust risk controls based on changing fraud patterns. Issuers can set a combination of variables including parameters related to the merchant, cardholder, device, location, and transaction to determine risk scores and determine if the payment was initiated by the legitimate cardholder. Step-up verification measures supported by FSS Secure3D for suspicious transactions include out-of-band authentication with one-time passcodes, facial and fingerprint biometrics. Issuers can use this flexibility to extend authentication processes to emerging transaction touchpoints such as wearables and IoT devices, according to the announcement.

Banks are required to implement 3DS2.0 in 2019 or 2020, and FSS cites research from the Nilson Report predicting remote fraud could rise to $44 billion by 2025.

“Secure and seamless transaction
The company says FSS Secure3D analyzes 150-plus data elements, and is benchmarked to process 8,000 transactions per second. FSS provides Authentication-as-a-Service on the FSS private cloud FSSNet to enable acquirers to connect to the platform through APIs. As a multi-tenant solution, FSS enables fraud pattern insights to be shared between participant customers for greater security, and the “as-a-Service” delivery model provides scalable, consumption-based services for faster time to market without upfront investment.

Mastercard is planning to leverage NuData Security’s behavior analysis capabilities to prevent fraud as it addresses the African payments market.

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