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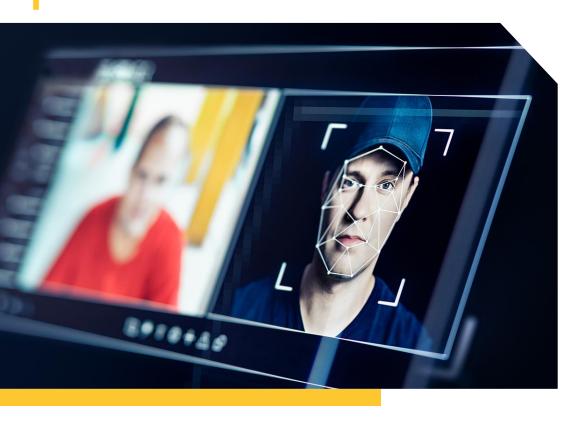
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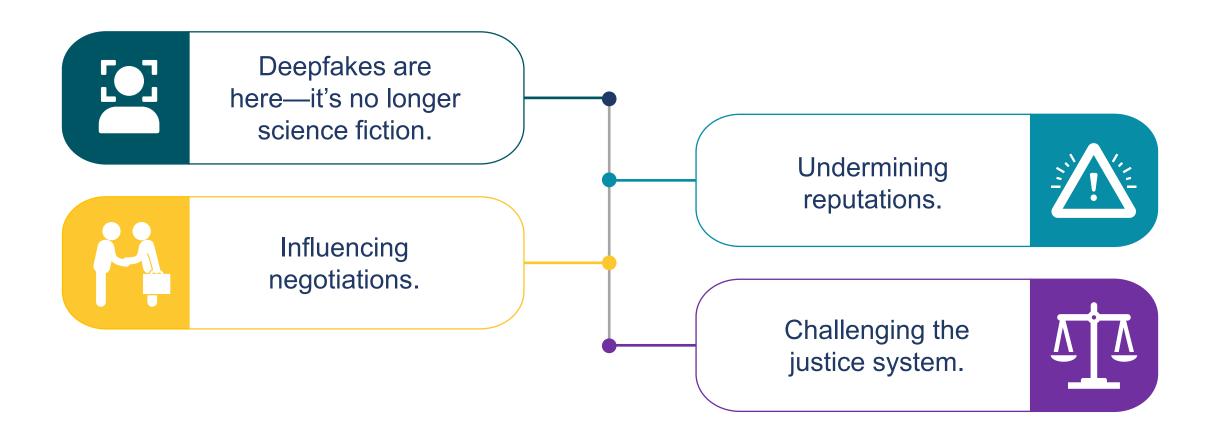
Opening Challenge



- Imagine you're in court....
- A video of your client making threats appears.
- It looks real. It sounds real.
- But your client says: 'That's not me.'



The Stakes





Then vs. Now

Yesterday **Today Tomorrow** Crude fakes Seamless, Even better (six fingers convincing, and and faster fakes. nearly undetectable. and glitches).



Case Study 1: \$25 Million Fraud



- A 2024 multinational company revealed as \$25 million deepfake scam victim.
- CFO tricked on a video call with fake board members.
- Result: Wire transfer of \$25 million.
- Deepfake avatars, real consequences.

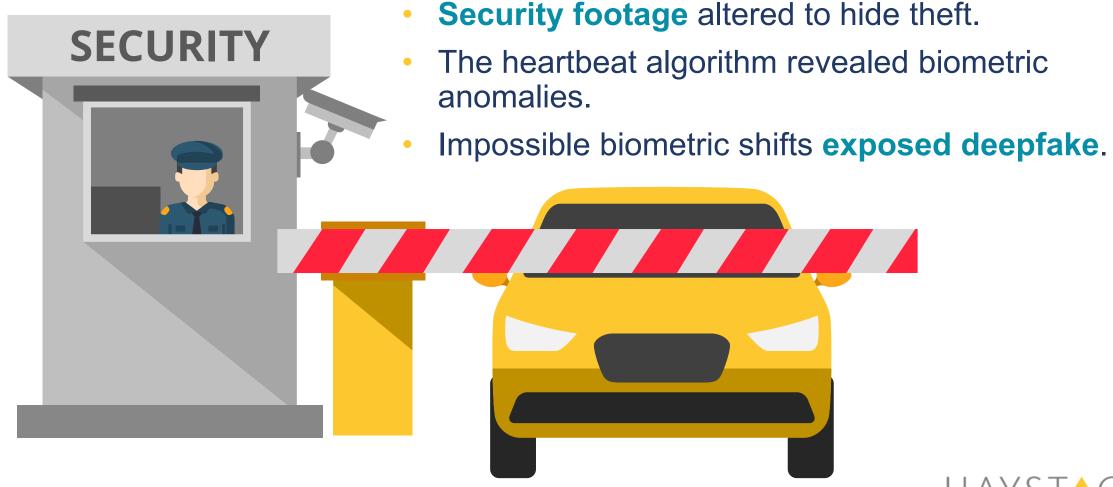


Case Study 2: Endorsement Swap

- A celebrity product ad was altered to a competitor's brand.
- Damages both the company and the celebrity.
- Reputational and contractual fallout.



Case Studies 3 and 4



What We Do About It

- Prevention is almost impossible.
- Focus on proving and resolving.
- Tools + human judgment: lighting, timestamps, anomalies.
- Frame-by-frame human review.





Human + Al

- AI + HI = Truth.
- Algorithms detect and humans interpret.
- Together, they expose deception.



Market and Opportunity



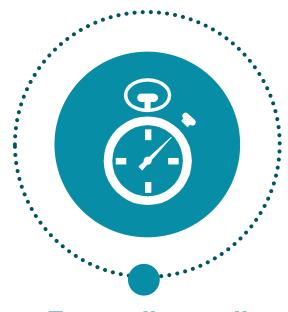
- Forensics team growth
 estimated from one to eight
 experts in two years.
- Projected to be 16 by 2026.
- New career paths for investigators, analysts, and technologists.
- The discovery 'pie' just got bigger.



Key Takeaways



Deepfakes are both a challenge AND an opportunity.



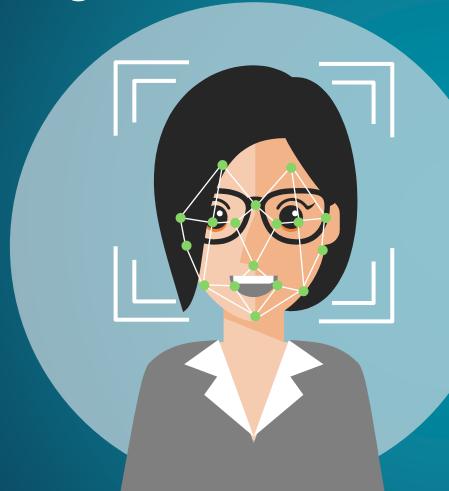
Every client call is a 911 call.



With the right tools and expertise, truth can prevail.



Closing



- False faces. True evidence.
- Protecting reputations. Preserving justice.



