

Classifying Reddit user vs AI-generated responses

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Overview

- 1) Collect question answer pairs from Reddit.
- 2) Submit questions to OpenAI model.
- 3) Build models to predict human-generated text vs AI-generated text.



Data collection

Python Reddit API Wrapper - Praw

Subreddits: Ask, AskReddit, AskScience, AskHistorians, Ask_politics, AskCulinary

Additional subreddits: AskUK, AskStatistics, AskScitech

Created loop to collect attributes from 999 top comments in each subreddit.

Collected 5250 question-answer pairs.



Data collection

OpenAI API

Used backoff module to stay within API rate limit.

Submitted questions collected from Reddit in batches of 20.

Used the OpenAI Davinci Model.

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Data Cleaning

Removed [deleted], [removed] posts.

Removed '\n'

Removed '_'

Labeled answers as either AI generated (1) or not (0)



Models

10 Grid Searches

Countvectorizer

Multinomial Naive Bayes

Logistic Regression

Bernoulli Naive Bayes

Linear Support Vector Classification

TFID

Multinomial Naive Bayes

Logistic Regression

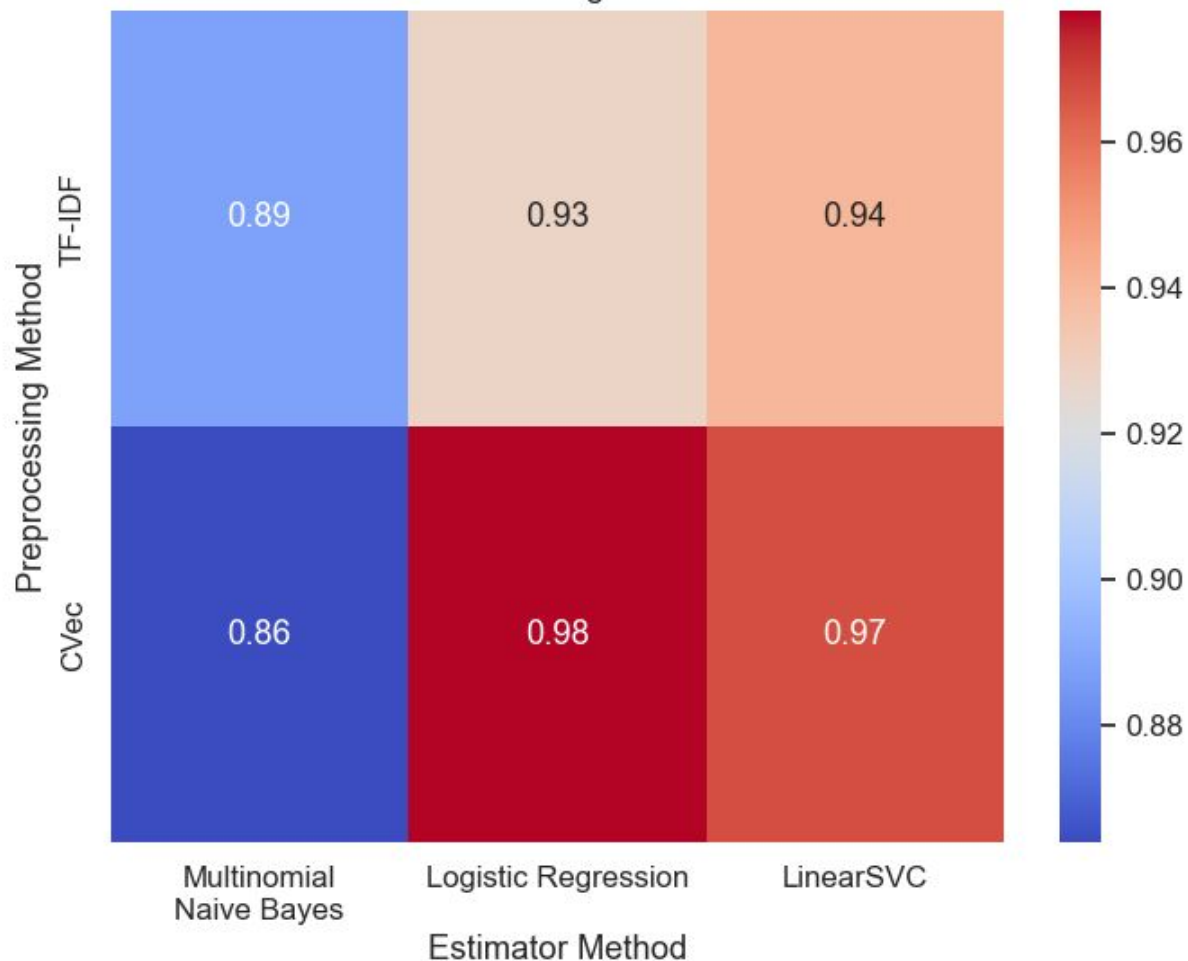
Gaussian Naive Bayes

K-nearest neighbors

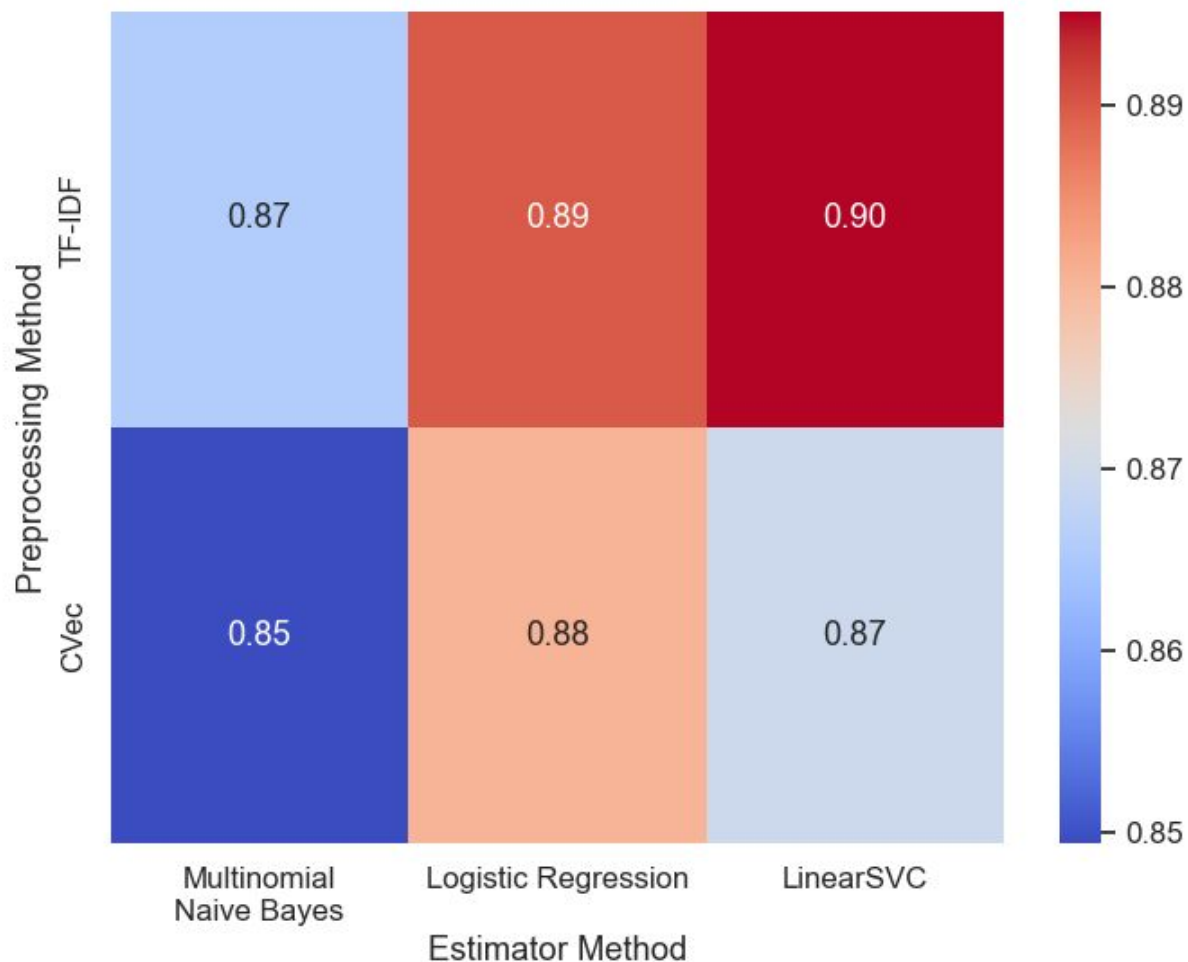
Random Forest

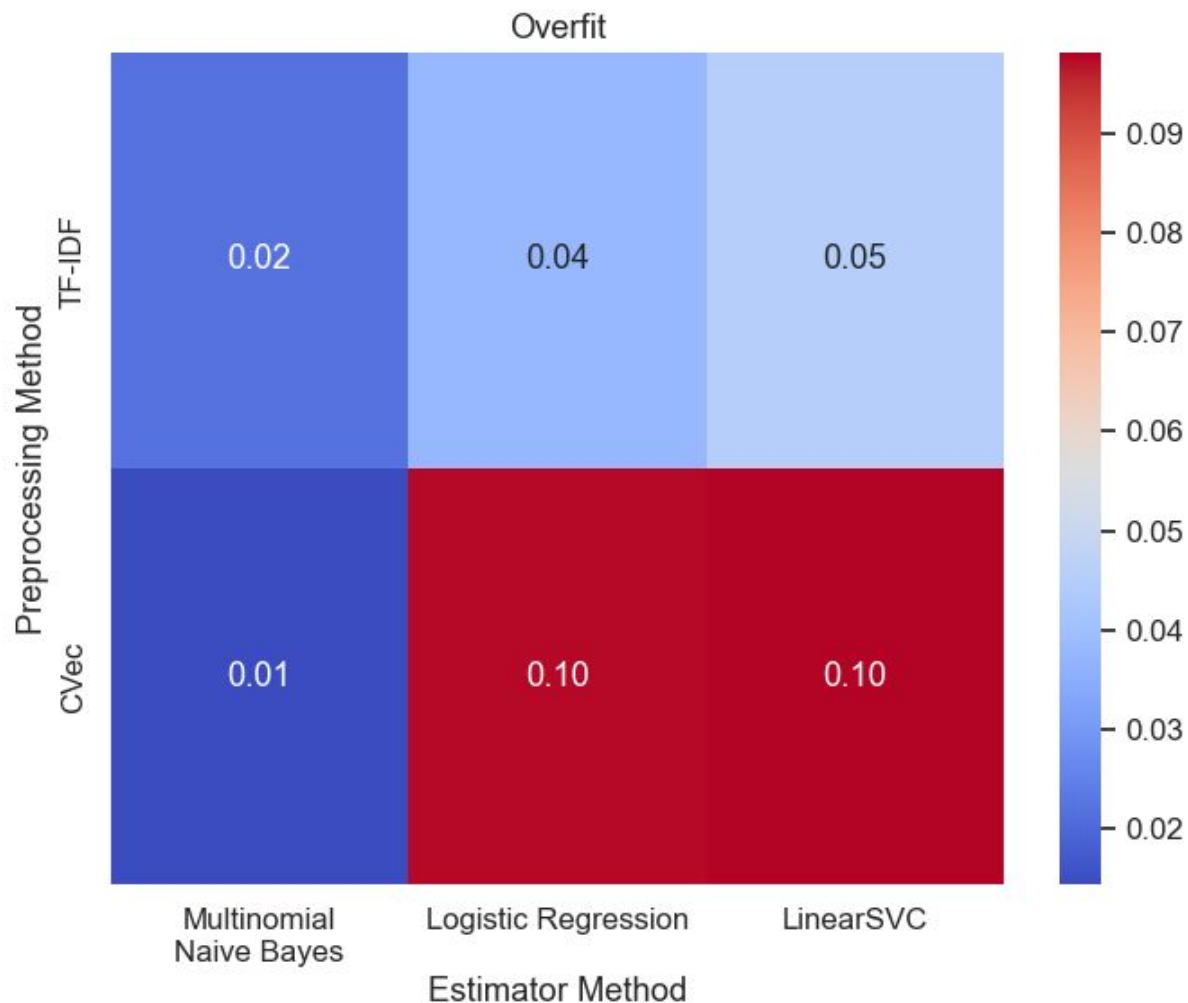
Linear Support Vector Classification

Model Performance Heatmap
on Training Data

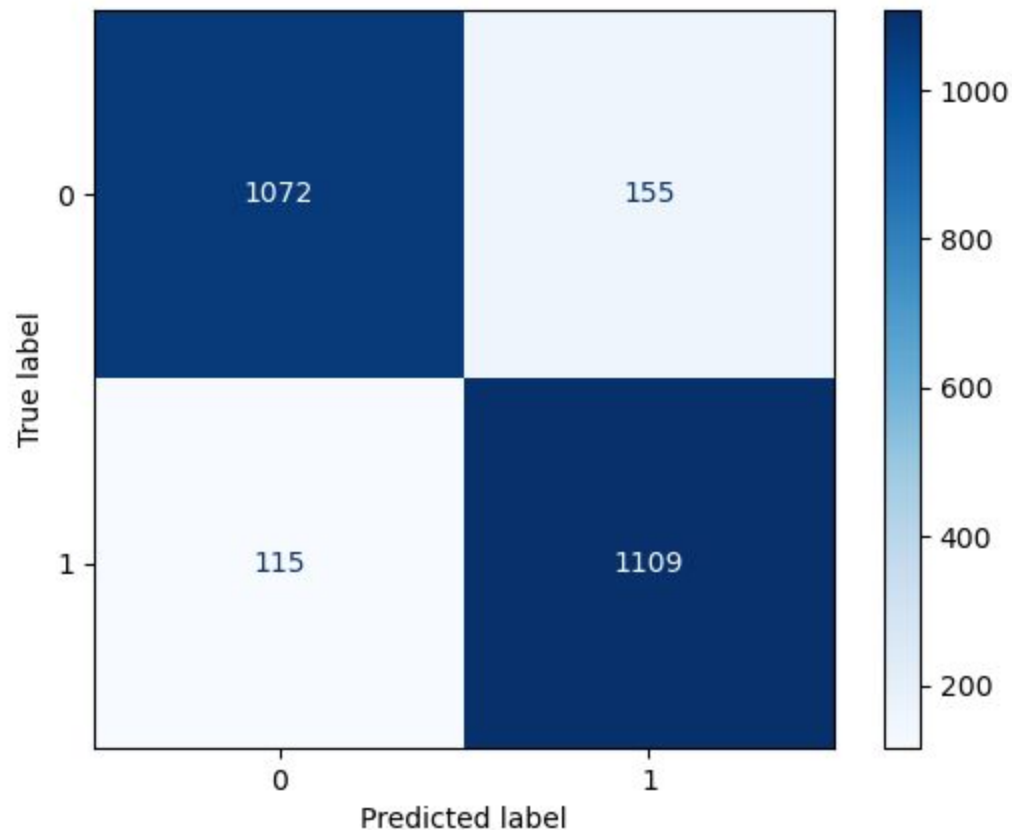


Model Performance Heatmap
on Test Data





TVEC LOGR



Accuracy: 0.8898

Precision: 0.8773

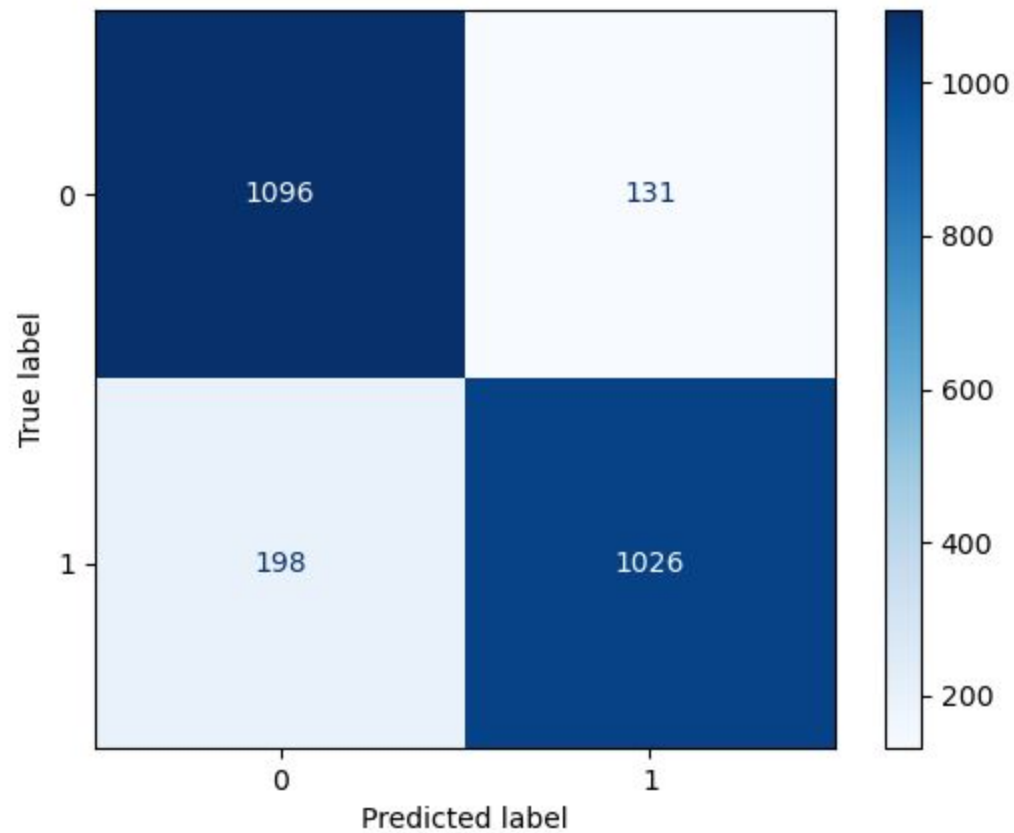
Recall: 0.9060

Specificity: 0.8736

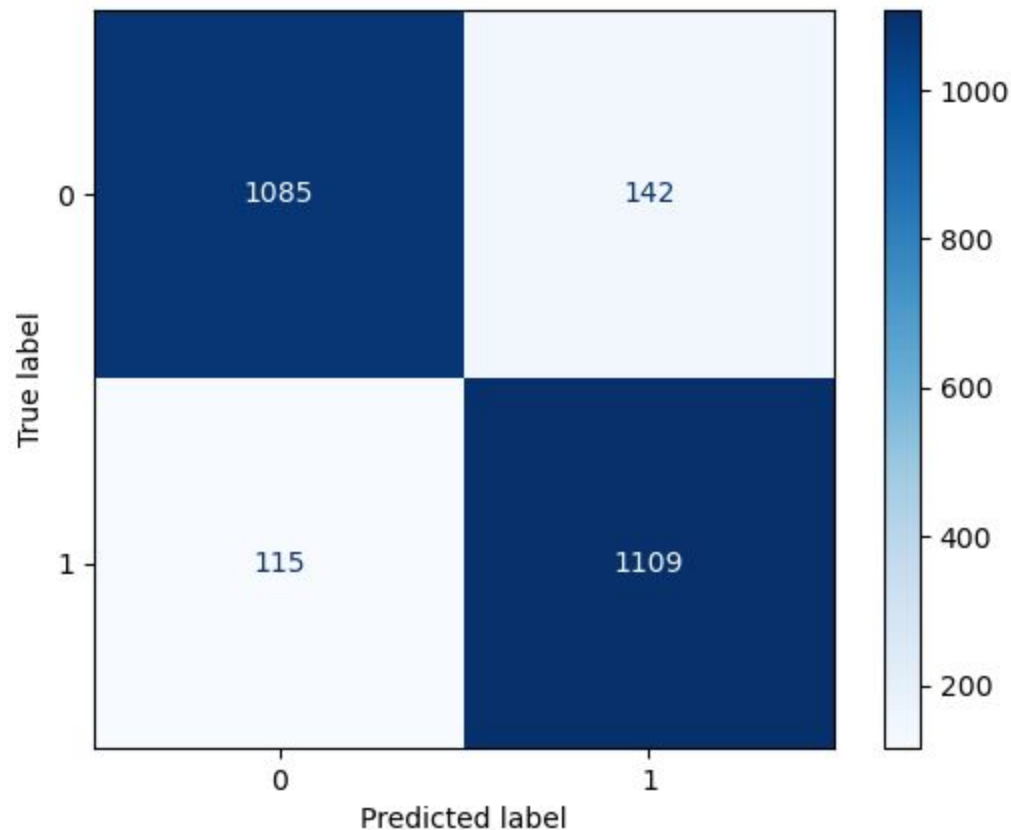
F1 Score: 0.8914

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TVEC MNB



TVEC L SVC



Accuracy: 0.8694

Precision: 0.8779

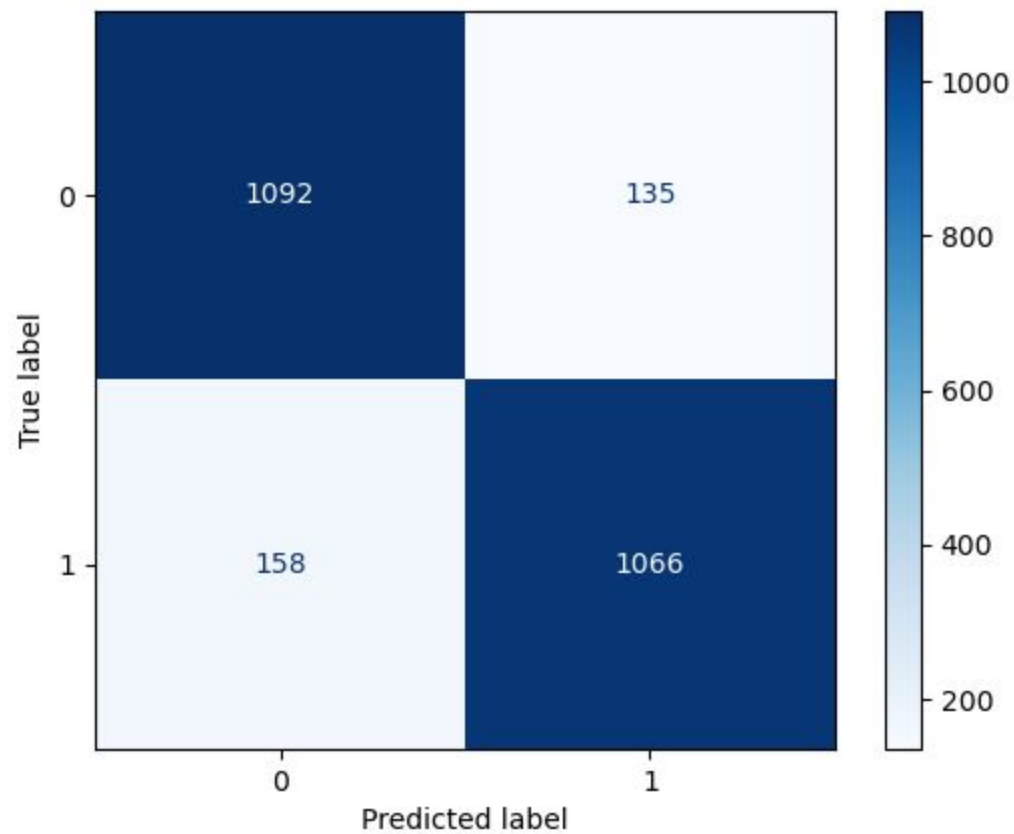
Recall: 0.8578

Specificity: 0.8810

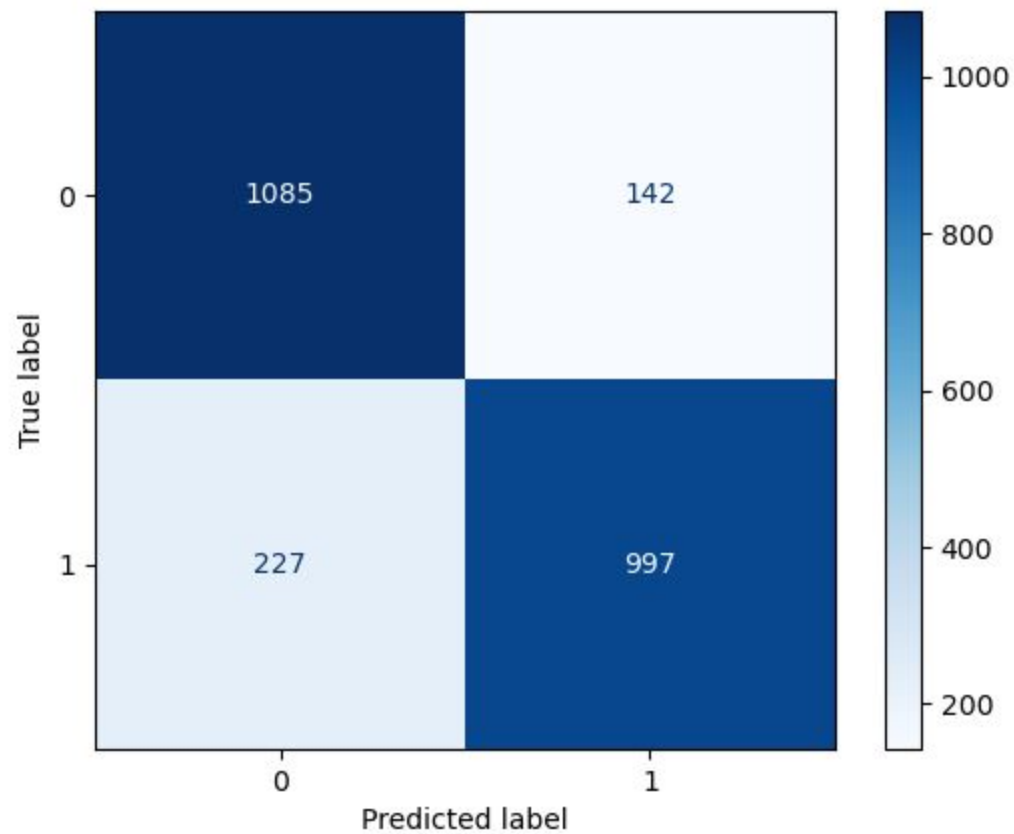
F1 Score: 0.8810

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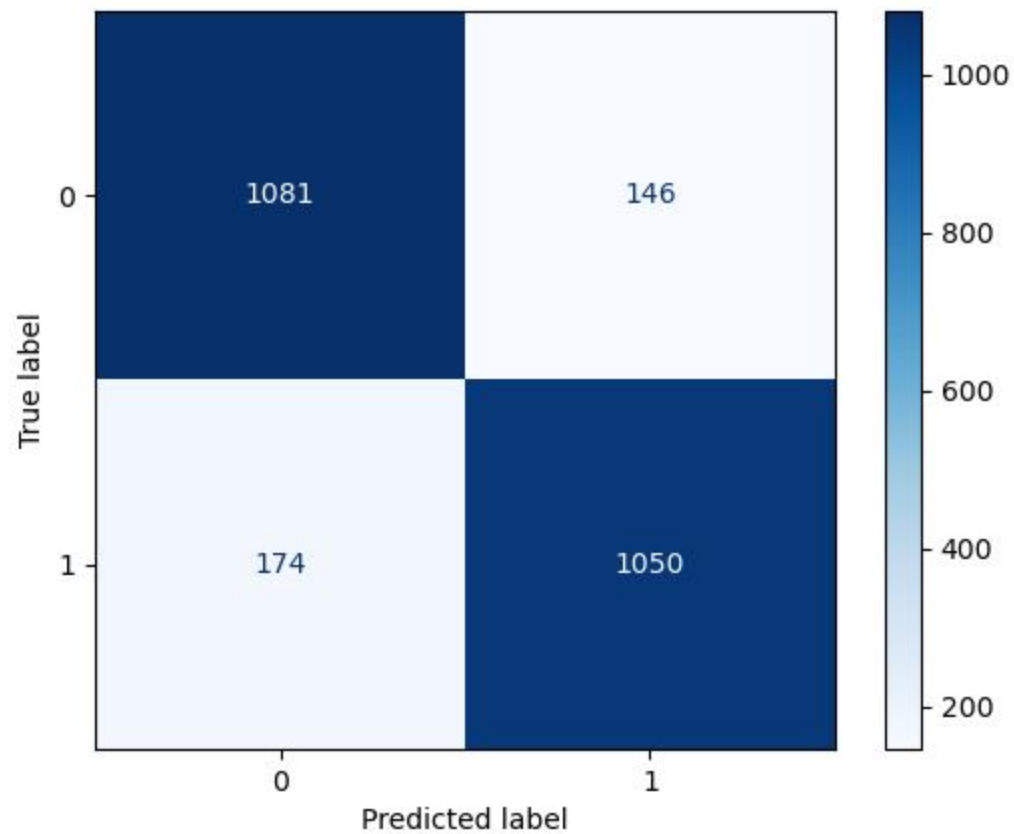
CVEC LOGR



CVEC MNB



CVEC LSV





Future steps

Continue fitting models, such as XGBoost.

Continue adding data.

Continue data cleaning.



Conclusions

The best performing models were the pipelines with Logistic Regression and LSVC estimators using TFID vectorizer preprocessing.

They performed well and generalized on unseen data.