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In [6]: import pandas as pd
import re

from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from string import punctuation

from collections import Counter, defaultdict

import glob
from collections import Counter

from nltk.stem import PorterStemmer
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
import nltk
nltk.download('punkt')

import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")
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[nltk_data] Downloading package punkt to /Users/kevinbaum/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package punkt is already up-to-date!
```

We start by accessing the five files that were pulled during the week on Monday 02/12/2024 and combining them into a DataFrame.

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In [7]: # File paths
files = ['Data/news_0212.csv', 'Data/news_0213.csv',
        'Data/news_0214.csv', 'Data/news_0215.csv',
        'Data/news_0216.csv']

# Read each CSV file into a DataFrame and store them in a list
file_dfs = [pd.read_csv(file) for file in files]

# Concatenate all DataFrames into one
combined_df = pd.concat(file_dfs, ignore_index=True)
combined_df
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Out [7]:

	source	url	content
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	CNN — Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Ge...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump has endors...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	Washington CNN — President Joe Biden and King ...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump on Monday ...
...	...	...	...
348	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
349	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
350	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
351	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win...	close Video Dems flipping NY House seat threat...
352	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/trumps-nato-c...	close Video The media doesn't allow the public...

353 rows x 3 columns

Before proceeding, we remove the duplicates in the DataFrame.

In [8]:

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df = combined_df.drop_duplicates().reset_index(drop=True)
df
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Out [8]:

	source	url	content
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	CNN — Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Ge...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump has endors...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	Washington CNN — President Joe Biden and King ...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump on Monday ...
...	...	...	...
235	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/house-republi...	close Video Rep. Ronny Jackson demands Biden t...
236	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-senators-...	close Video Biden and the Democrats just do no...
237	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/doj-defends-s...	close Video Former US attorney discusses Speci...
238	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
239	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win...	close Video Dems flipping NY House seat threat...

240 rows x 3 columns

## Checking the Results of the Web Scraping

Confirming that the CNN content was scraped successfully

In [9]:

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df[df['source']=='cnn'].head()
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Out [9]:

	source	url	content
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	CNN — Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Ge...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump has endors...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	Washington CNN — President Joe Biden and King ...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	CNN — Former President Donald Trump on Monday ...

Confirming that the Fox News content was scraped successfully

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In [10]: df[df['source']=='foxnews'].head()
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Out [10]:

	source	url	content
47	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-takes-j...	close Video Biden takes jab at special counsel...
48	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/rfk-jr-apolog...	close Video RFK Jr. drops surprise campaign ad...
49	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/bidens-upcomi...	close Video Biden won't take cognitive test in...
50	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/kamala-harris...	close Video Marc Thiessen questions whether Bi...
51	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/climate-activ...	close Video Biden's export suspension on lique...

Let's take a full look at one of the rows for both CNN and Fox to see if there are any obvious steps that stand out that we want to clean up.

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In [11]: # Set pandas to display the full content of a column
# We will do this only temporarily and reset it after
# testing one column
pd.set_option('display.max_colwidth', None)
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In [12]: # Display one row from CNN
print("CNN Article Content:")
print(df[df['source'] == 'cnn'].iloc[0])
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## CNN Article Content:

source

cnn

url

<https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-brown-nato-trump/index.html>

content CNN – Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. CQ Brown said Monday that “US credibility is at stake” in the wake of comments from former President Donald Trump that he would encourage Russia to “do whatever the hell they want” to NATO partners that don’t meet spending guidelines on defense. Asked by NBC News about Trump’s admission that he would not abide by the collective-defense clause at the heart of NATO if reelected, Brown said that the alliance is strong and has been around for 75 years. “I think we have a responsibility to uphold those alliances,” Brown told NBC’s Lester Holt in an interview airing Monday evening. “US credibility is at stake with each of our alliances, and US leadership is still needed, wanted, and watched.” “The US is committed,” Brown added. “And that’s the message I communicate, and that’s the message that’s been received.” Brown’s remarks come as Trump, the 2024 Republican front-runner, has come under fire for his comments over the weekend indicating he does not intend to defend NATO allies from Russian attack if he is reelected. Former President Donald Trump speaks as he holds a campaign rally at Coastal Carolina University ahead of the South Carolina Republican presidential primary in Conway, South Carolina, on February 10. Sam Wolfe/Reuters Related article Trump will pull US out of NATO if he wins election, ex-adviser warns At a rally in South Carolina Saturday, Trump recalled a conversation he had while president with “one of the presidents of a big country,” who asked him whether the US would defend them from a Russian invasion even if they “don’t pay.” “No, I would not protect you,” he recalled saying. “In fact, I would encourage them to do whatever the hell they want. You got to pay. You got to pay your bills.” According to NBC, Brown said that he realizes there will be “various dialogue in discussions at the political level,” but that he will focus on “continuing to build and strengthen our relationship with NATO.” “My job is to make sure that we are doing everything we can with our NATO allies on the military aspect,” he said, “and I’ll continue to do that throughout.” Brown, who was sworn in as the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of staff last fall, serves as the principal military advisor to the president. The military officer who serves in the role does so at the pleasure of the president, meaning that if Trump were reelected this year, Brown could serve as his chairman unless he appointed another officer. Gen. Mark Milley, Brown’s predecessor and Trump’s chairman of the Joint Chiefs throughout his tenure, was a frequent target of Trump’s ire, and the two have taken verbal – sometimes subtle – shots at each other after Trump left the White House. In late September, at the change of command ceremony between Milley and Brown, the outgoing chairman made it a point to underscore where his loyalty and the loyalty of the military should lie. “We don’t take an oath to a king, or a queen, or a tyrant or a dictator. And we don’t take an oath to a wannabe dictator,” Milley said at the time, in a veiled reference to Trump. “We take an oath to the Constitution and we take an oath to the idea that is America – and we’re willing to die to protect it.” Milley chose to deliver the scathing criticism of his former boss in his last address as the nation’s top general as he stood next to President Joe Biden. In a continuation of the acrimonious feud between the two, Trump fired back on social media, calling Milley a “moron” and “STUPID & VERY DANGEROUS!” Brown addressed recent criticism of his boss Monday following mention of apparent memory lapses in special counsel Robert Hur’s report, calling Biden “pretty sharp.” Asked whether he was surprised by the comments made about the president’s memory, Brown said he was, adding they were “not characteristic of what I’ve seen.” “H

e's got a very good grasp of the issues," Brown said. "He asks, I think, very pertinent questions." Iran likely 'not looking for a broader conflict' with US As the US is navigating increasingly high tensions in the Middle East – from Iran-backed groups in Iraq and Syria, the Iran-backed Houthis in Yemen, and Israel's campaign in Gaza against Hamas – Brown echoed comments made by other US officials that deterrence is key. Broadly, the US is focused on deterring "any further aggression," Brown said, while also protecting American forces. Asked whether he believed Iran wants a war with the US, Brown responded, "I don't know that they do." "Having watched Iran operate, they will do things through their militia groups and others to put pressure, to achieve their objectives," the chairman said. "At the same time, not looking for a broader conflict with the United States." There have been at least 170 attacks on US and coalition forces in Iraq, Syria and Jordan since October 17. The Pentagon said Monday that those attacks have resulted in 186 wounded or killed in action – including 130 traumatic brain injuries. Three US soldiers were killed in a drone attack in January on a US outpost in Jordan. This story has been updated with additional information.

Name: 0, dtype: object

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In [13]: # Display one row from CNN
print("Fox Article Content:")
print(df[df['source'] == 'foxnews'].iloc[0])
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## Fox Article Content:

source

foxnews

url

<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-takes-jab-hur-report-joke-memory-returms-speech-one-more-thing-forgot>

close Video Biden takes jab at special counsel report with joke about his memory President Biden on Monday joked about his memory and age during a speech to the National Association of Counties in Washington, D.C. Join Fox News for access to this content Plus get unlimited access to thousands of articles, videos and more with your free account! Please enter a valid email address. By entering your email, you are agreeing to Fox News Terms of Service and Privacy Policy , which includes our Notice of Financial Incentive . To access the content, check your email and follow the instructions provided. President Biden attempted a joke about his memory during a speech in Washington, D.C., Monday, seemingly taking a jab at Special Counsel Robert Hur's report. Delivering remarks at the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference, Biden spoke about his bipartisan infrastructure law, which he credits for allowing his administration to continue "making the biggest investment in climate change ever anywhere in the entire world." "After devastating floods, tornadoes, wildfires and hurricane, we're going to keep working together to respond, to rebuild and boost resilience to extreme weather. My administration is also helping install rooftop solar to build a national network of electric vehicle charging stations for revitalizing fenceline communities smothered by the legacy of pollution like where I lived in Claymont," Biden said, referring to where his family moved in Delaware during the early 1950s. "We're promoting clean energy in industries of the future made here in America. Made in America," he said while transitioning. BIDEN ALLIES GO ON DEFENSE BLITZ FOLLOWING HUR REPORT: 'BUCKET OF BS' "What I didn't realize, and I've been around, I know it don't look like it, but I've been around a while. I do remember that," Biden said, garnering laughter and applause. President Biden gave a speech to the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference, Monday, Feb. 12, 2024, in Washington. (AP Photo/Evan Vucci) The joke was somewhat undercut by Biden concluding the speech – and then adding an interjection at the end, admitting, "I forgot something," before making a final comment. In building his argument for why no charges were recommended following an investigation into Biden's mishandling of classified documents, Hur, who was appointed by Attorney General Merrick Garland, detailed in part that Biden's defense of any potential charges could possibly be that, "Mr. Biden would likely present himself to a jury, as he did during our interview of him, as a sympathetic, well-meaning, elderly man with a poor memory." The report cited examples when investigators said the president's memory lapsed, including over when his older son Beau had died. Biden's age and mental fitness have already been a concern for voters. President Biden after delivering remarks to the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference, Monday, Feb. 12, 2024, in Washington. (AP Photo/Evan Vucci) MAYORKAS DUCKS RESPONSIBILITY ON BORDER CRISIS, MIGRANT FIGURES: 'CONGRESS IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN FIX THIS' During his speech, Biden also criticized his 2024 rival, former President Trump, and Republicans for opposing a \$118 billion supplemental spending agreement that included aid for Ukraine, Israel and Taiwan, as well as an ambitious border security and immigration package. The border package drew widespread opposition from conservative Republicans in both chambers since its release just days earlier. The Senate voted against the supplemental 50-49 Wednesday. It needed 60 votes to pass. The vote went mostly along party lines, except for five Democrats voting no and four Republicans voting yes. "Some of my extreme Republican friends – and by the way, this

is not your father's Republican Party ... I'm not taking on all Republicans. I really mean it. The MAGA Republicans, a minority, but a powerful minority. They went out and they killed the deal. My predecessor said he didn't like it. It was a loss for him. We have to end the political games, folks," Biden said Monday. President Biden, left, greets NatCo president and commissioner in Ramsey County, Minnesota, Mary Jo McGuire, before he delivers remarks to the National Association of Counties Legislative Conference, Monday, Feb. 12, 2024. (AP Photo/Evan Vucci) The president also claimed a victory for the economy. "It's clear we have the strongest economy in the world. Nearly 15 million new jobs since I came to office," Biden said. "The longest stretch of under 4% in 50 years. Growth is strong. Rising wages are rising, inflation is down. In fact, the costs have fallen from everything from a gallon of gas to a gallon of milk. We know prices are still too high because of what I call greed-inflation and shrinkflation," he said, referring to companies charging the same amount for a product while reducing quantity. "I'm calling on corporations to pass their savings on to consumers, for God's sake. We're making real progress." CLICK TO GET THE FOX NEWS APP "The recent Washington Post headline summed it up," Biden added, quoting the newspaper's story titled, "Falling Inflation and Rising Growth Give the U.S. the World's Best Recovery." "The world's best recovery!" Biden said. "It's because you implemented what we did. You made it work." Danielle Wallace is a reporter for Fox News Digital covering politics, crime, police and more. Story tips can be sent to [danielle.wallace@fox.com](mailto:danielle.wallace@fox.com) and on Twitter: @danimwallace.

Name: 47, dtype: object

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In [14]: # Reset the columns so that we go back to truncating the "content" column
pd.reset_option('display.max_colwidth')
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## Data Cleaning, Tokenizing, and Normalizing

### Removing Unwanted Prefixes

We see from looking at the first 5 rows of the CNN and Fox records that the content of the articles starts with "CNN --" or "(city name) CNN" for CNN and "close Video" for Fox. Since this is noise in our attempt to topic model, we will remove this part of the content body using the function below.

```
In [15]: # Function to remove prefixes

def remove_prefix(row):
    # Pattern to match "CNN --" if it includes a city's name before it
    cnn_pattern = r'^(?:[\w\s]+\s)?CNN - '

    # For CNN, remove pattern if it matches
    if row['source'] == 'cnn':
        return re.sub(cnn_pattern, '', row['content'])

    # For Fox News, remove "close Video " prefix
    elif row['source'] == 'foxnews' and row['content'].startswith('close Vic
        return row['content'][12:]

    # Return original content if no prefix to remove
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else:
    return row['content']
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df['content'] = df.apply(remove_prefix, axis=1)
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In [16]: # Checking to see how CNN looks without the prefixes
df[df['source']=='cnn']
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Out[16]:
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	source	url	content
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. CQ ...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Former President Donald Trump has endorsed Nor...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	President Joe Biden and King Abdullah II of Jo...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Former President Donald Trump on Monday asked ...
...	...	...	...
220	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/navy-f...	Members of Congress pressed the CEO of the nat...
221	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/16/politics/kamala...	US Vice President Kamala Harris on Friday call...
222	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/01/30/politics/trump-...	New York state Judge Arthur Engoron has the fu...
223	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/border...	The acting deputy chief of the US Border Patro...
224	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/former...	Special counsel David Weiss charged a former F...

143 rows × 3 columns

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In [17]: # Checking to see how Fox looks without the prefixes
df[df['source']=='foxnews']
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Out [17]:

	source	url	content
47	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-takes-j...	Biden takes jab at special counsel report with...
48	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/rfk-jr-apolog...	RFK Jr. drops surprise campaign ad during Supe...
49	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/bidens-upcomi...	Biden won't take cognitive test in physical ex...
50	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/kamala-harris...	Marc Thiessen questions whether Biden is capab...
51	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/climate-activ...	Biden's export suspension on liquefied natural...
...	...	...	...
235	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/house-republi...	Rep. Ronny Jackson demands Biden take cognitiv...
236	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-senators-...	Biden and the Democrats just do not care: Sen....
237	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/doj-defends-s...	Former US attorney discusses Special Counsel H...
238	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
239	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win...	Dems flipping NY House seat threatens GOP majo...

97 rows x 3 columns

## Remove Unwanted First Sentences

We see that some of the CNN articles begin with the following sentences: "A version of this story appeared in CNN's What Matters newsletter. To get it in your inbox, sign up for free here." We also see that some of the Fox articles begin with the phrase "Welcome to Fox News" in the first sentence. To remove this noise, we will write a function below that handles it. We need to run this function twice in order to fully clean out the noise. Also, once we run the function twice, we need to re-run the "remove\_prefix" function again as the prefixes will be present after removing some of the unwanted first sentences.

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In [18]: def remove_first_sentence(row):
# Split the content into sentences based on '.', '?', and '!'
sentences = re.split(r'(?<=[.!?]) +', row['content'])

# Initialize updated_content with the original content in case none of t
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updated_content = row['content']

if len(sentences) > 1: # Check if there's more than one sentence
    first_sentence = sentences[0] # Get the first sentence

    if 'Welcome to Fox News' in first_sentence:
        # Join all sentences except the first one. We start at 2 because
        updated_content = ' '.join(sentences[2:])

    elif 'A version of this story appeared' in first_sentence:
        # Removing 2 sentences since CNN includes 2 unwanted sentences i
        updated_content = ' '.join(sentences[2:])

    elif first_sentence.strip().startswith("What's Happening?"):
        # Directly check if the first sentence is exactly "What's Happen
        updated_content = ' '.join(sentences[1:])

# Remove sentences containing the phrase 'CLICK HERE TO GET THE FOX NEWS
updated_sentences = [sentence for sentence in sentences if 'FOX NEWS APP
updated_sentences = [sentence for sentence in sentences if 'Foxnews.com'
updated_sentences = [sentence for sentence in sentences if 'Getty Images
updated_sentences = [sentence for sentence in sentences if 'CLICK HERE 1

# Join the updated sentences back into content
updated_content = ' '.join(updated_sentences)

return updated_content

# Run first iteration of removing the first sentence
df['content'] = df.apply(remove_first_sentence, axis=1)

# Run second iteration to remove additional noise on some of the rows
df['content'] = df.apply(remove_first_sentence, axis=1)

# Remove prefixes again after the unwanted sentences are removed
df['content'] = df.apply(remove_prefix, axis=1)

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Let's check to see how our content looks now without the unwanted first and second sentences found in some of the articles.

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In [19]: # Checking to see how CNN looks without the unwanted first sentences.
df[df['source']=='cnn']

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Out [19]:

	source	url	content
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. CQ ...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Former President Donald Trump has endorsed Nor...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	President Joe Biden and King Abdullah II of Jo...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Former President Donald Trump on Monday asked ...
...	...	...	...
220	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/navy-f...	Members of Congress pressed the CEO of the nat...
221	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/16/politics/kamala...	US Vice President Kamala Harris on Friday call...
222	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/01/30/politics/trump-...	New York state Judge Arthur Engoron has the fu...
223	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/border...	The acting deputy chief of the US Border Patro...
224	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/15/politics/former...	Special counsel David Weiss charged a former F...

143 rows x 3 columns

In [20]:

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# Checking to see how Fox looks without the unwanted first sentences.  
df[df['source']=='foxnews']
```

Out [20]:

	source	url	content
47	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/biden-takes-j...	Biden takes jab at special counsel report with...
48	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/rfk-jr-apolog...	RFK Jr. drops surprise campaign ad during Supe...
49	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/bidens-upcomi...	Biden won't take cognitive test in physical ex...
50	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/kamala-harris...	Marc Thiessen questions whether Biden is capab...
51	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/climate-activ...	Biden's export suspension on liquefied natural...
...	...	...	...
235	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/house-republi...	Rep. Ronny Jackson demands Biden take cognitiv...
236	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/gop-senators-...	Biden and the Democrats just do not care: Sen....
237	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/doj-defends-s...	Former US attorney discusses Special Counsel H...
238	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/fox-news-poli...	Welcome to Fox News' Politics newsletter with ...
239	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win...	Dems flipping NY House seat threatens GOP majo...

97 rows x 3 columns

Let's quickly remove references to images embedded into the body content, as it is also noise not needed for topic modeling.

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In [21]: # Remove image info

# Define a regular expression pattern to match content inside parentheses
pattern = r'\s*\([^)]*\)'

# Replace content inside parentheses with an empty string
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(pattern, '', regex=True)
```

Next, we look at the end of the articles as the content will often end with contributing author information or other material that is not relevant to the topic of the body content. We show the dataframe ending previews and then write a function to remove last sentences if they contain information that is not relevant.

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In [22]: # Set pandas to display the full content of a column  
pd.set_option('display.max_colwidth', None)
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In [23]: # Create a new column 'content_end_preview' to show the last part of the con  
df['content_end_preview'] = df['content'].apply(lambda x: x[-500:])
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In [24]: # Checking the end of CNN articles  
df[['source', 'url', 'content_end_preview']] [df['source'] == 'cnn']
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Out [24] :	source	url	content_end_preview
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-brown-nato-trump/index.html	<p>eir objectives," the chairman said. "At the same time, not looking for a broader conflict with the United States." There have been at least 170 attacks on US and coalition forces in Iraq, Syria and Jordan since October 17. The Pentagon said Monday that those attacks have resulted in 186 wounded or killed in action — including 130 traumatic brain injuries. Three US soldiers were killed in a drone attack in January on a US outpost in Jordan. This story has been updated with additional information.</p>
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-endorse-michael-whatley-lara-trump-rnc/index.html	<p>great job in his home state of North Carolina, and is committed to election integrity, which we must have to keep fraud out of our election so it can't be stolen," Trump said in a statement. "My very talented daughter-in-law, Lara Trump, has agreed to run as the RNC Co-Chair. Lara is an extremely talented communicator and is dedicated to all that MAGA stands for. She has told me she wants to accept this challenge and would be GREAT!" he also said. This is a developing story and will be updated.</p>
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate-foreign-aid-bill-ukraine/index.html	<p>y be part of the bill, but went on to reject the bipartisan deal amid forceful attacks on the measure by Trump and top House Republicans. Over the weekend, Trump also wrote on Truth Social that the US should stop providing foreign aid unless it is</p>

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		structured as a loan, another sign of the political pressure Republicans continue to face amid efforts to send funding to US allies. This story and headline have been updated with additional developments. CNN's Kate Sullivan contributed to this report.
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239	foxnews	<a href="https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win-seat-republicans-win-impeachment-two-presidents-clash-over-nato">https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win-seat-republicans-win-impeachment-two-presidents-clash-over-nato</a>	airing his personal criticism of the president's mental acuity. And everyone is getting sustained exposure to a system that generally favors political maneuvering over actual results. Get the latest updates from the 2024 campaign trail, exclusive interviews and more at our Fox News Digital election hub. Howard Kurtz is the host of FOX News Channel's MediaBuzz. Based in Washington, D.C., he joined the network in July 2013 and regularly appears on Special Report with Bret Baier and other programs.

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We see that indeed some articles end with information about the authors or otherwise irrelevant information. Below is our function to handle some of the instances. We need to run it multiple times, as each time it is run there is a new last sentence that counts as noise that we want to get rid of in some instances.

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In [26]: def remove_last_sentence(row):
          sentences = row['content'].split('. ')

          if len(sentences) > 1: # Check if there's more than one sentence
              last_sentence = sentences[-1] # Get the last sentence
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    updated_content = '. '.join(sentences[:-1]) # Join all sentences
    return updated_content

return row['content']

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239	foxnews	https://www.foxnews.com/politics/democrats-win-seat-republicans-win-impeachment-two-presidents-clash-over-nato	airing his personal criticism of the president's mental acuity. And everyone is getting sustained exposure to a system that generally favors political maneuvering over actual results. Get the latest updates from the 2024 campaign trail, exclusive interviews and more at our Fox News Digital election hub. Howard Kurtz is the host of FOX News Channel's MediaBuzz. Based in Washington, D.C., he joined the network in July 2013 and regularly appears on Special Report with Bret Baier and other programs.

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2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate-foreign-aid-bill-ukraine/index.html	<p>would have combined the foreign aid with a bipartisan border deal. Republicans had initially demanded that border security be part of the bill, but went on to reject the bipartisan deal amid forceful attacks on the measure by Trump and top House Republicans.</p>

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df.drop(columns=['content_end_preview'], inplace=True)

# Reset the columns so that we go back to truncating the "content" column
pd.reset_option('display.max_colwidth')
```

## Standardizing Entity Names

Let's start by combining specified word pairs so that we handle cases where two or more words refer to a single entity, such as "Hunter Biden" or "Supreme Court."

```
In [30]: # Combine specified word pairs

df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bHunter\s+Biden\b', 'HunterBide
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bHUNTER\s+Biden\b', 'HunterBide
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bSouth\s+Carolina\b', 'SouthCar
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bSupreme\s+Court\b', 'SupremeCo
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bsupreme\s+court\b', 'SupremeCo
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bCourt\s+House\b', 'CourtHouse'
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bcourt\s+house\b', 'CourtHouse'
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bHouse\s+Representative\b', 'Ho
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bhouse\s+representative\b', 'Ho
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bHouse\s+Rep\b', 'HouseRep', re
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bhouse\s+rep\b', 'HouseRep', re
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bvoters\b', 'voter', regex=True)
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bvotes\b', 'vote', regex=True)
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bdemocratic(?:s)?\b', 'Democrat
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bDemocrats\b', 'Democrat', rege
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\brepublicans\b', 'Republican',
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bRepublicans\b', 'Republican',
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bwhite\s+house\b', 'WhiteHouse'
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bWhite\s+house\b', 'WhiteHouse'
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(r'\bNew\s+York\b', 'NewYork', rege
```

We now need to account for variations in Biden's and Trump's names. This is because we want the model to see the different spellings as referring to the same thing. We accomplish this with the following code.

```
In [31]: biden_variations = df['content'].str.findall(
    r'\bPresident\s+Joe\s+Biden\b|'
    r'\bPresident\s+Biden\b|'
    r'\bJoe\s+Biden(?:s)?\b|'
```

```

    r'\bBiden(?:'s|s)?\b|'
    r'\bBIDEN\b|'
    r'\bBiden\s\b'
)
# Flatten the list of variations
biden_variations = [item for sublist in biden_variations for item in sublist

# Count occurrences of each variation
biden_variation_counts = Counter(biden_variations)

# Replace variations of Biden's name with 'Biden' in the content column
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(
    r'\bPresident\s+Joe\s+Biden\b|'
    r'\bPresident\s+Biden\b|'
    r'\bJoe\s+Biden(?:'s)?\b|'
    r'\bBiden(?:'s|s)?\b|'
    r'\bBIDEN\b|'
    r'\bBiden\s\b'
    , 'Biden', regex=True)

print("Occurrences of different variations of Biden's name:")
for variation, count in biden_variation_counts.items():
    print(f"{variation}: {count}")

```

Occurrences of different variations of Biden's name:

President Joe Biden: 116

Biden: 861

Biden's: 156

President Biden: 159

Bidens: 23

Joe Biden: 137

Joe Biden's: 13

President Joe Biden: 1

BIDEN: 105

```

In [32]: # Count occurrences of 'Biden' after replacement
biden_count_after = df['content'].str.count('Biden').sum()

print("Occurrences of Biden after replacement:", biden_count_after)

```

Occurrences of Biden after replacement: 1709

```

In [33]: # Find all variations of Trump's name in the content column
trump_variations = df['content'].str.findall(
    r'\bPresident\s+Donald\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bPresident\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bDonald\s+Trump(?:'s)?\b|'
    r'\bTrump(?:'s)?\b|'
    r'\bTRUMP(?:'S)?\b|'
    r'\bFormer\s+President\s+Donald\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bDonald\s+J(?:ohn)?\s+Trump\b'
)

# Flatten the list of variations
trump_variations = [item for sublist in trump_variations for item in sublist

# Count occurrences of each variation

```

```
trump_variation_counts = Counter(trump_variations)

# Replace variations of Trump's name with 'Trump' in the content column
df['content'] = df['content'].str.replace(
    r'\bPresident\s+Donald\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bPresident\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bDonald\s+Trump(?:'s)?\b|'
    r'\bTrump(?:'s)?\b|'
    r'\bTRUMP(?:'S)?\b|'
    r'\bFormer\s+President\s+Donald\s+Trump\b|'
    r'\bDonald\s+J(?:ohn)?\s+Trump\b'
    , 'Trump', regex=True)

print("Occurrences of different variations of Trump's name:")
for variation, count in trump_variation_counts.items():
    print(f"{variation}: {count}")
```

Occurrences of different variations of Trump's name:

President Donald Trump: 78

Trump's: 380

Trump: 1259

Former President Donald Trump: 32

President Trump: 81

Donald Trump: 90

Donald Trump's: 15

Donald Trump: 1

TRUMP: 35

TRUMP'S: 2

President Trump: 1

```
In [34]: # Count occurrences of 'Trump' after replacement
trump_count_after = df['content'].str.count('Trump').sum()

print("Occurrences of Trump after replacement:", trump_count_after)
```

Occurrences of Trump after replacement: 1977

## Data Preprocessing Pipeline

Next, we remove stop words and punctuation, and then we tokenize and prepare data for use in the model.

```
In [35]: punctuation = set(punctuation) # speeds up comparison
sw = stopwords.words("english")
extra_sw = ['cnn', 'fox', 'news', 'said', '-', '--', '-', 'told', 'would',
            'also', "it's", 'think', 'time', 'even', 'former', 'party', 'i',
            'images', 'getty', 'im', 'this', 'we', 'it', 'digital', 'the', '']
sw.extend(extra_sw)
whitespace_pattern = re.compile(r"\s+")

def remove_stop(tokens) :

    return [t for t in tokens if t.lower() not in sw]

def remove_punctuation(text, punct_set=punctuation) :
```

```

    return(''.join([ch for ch in text if ch not in punct_set]))

def tokenize(text) :

    return re.split(whitespace_pattern, text)

def prepare(text, pipeline) :

    tokens = str(text)

    for transform in pipeline :
        tokens = transform(tokens)

    return(tokens)

pipeline = [str.lower, remove_punctuation, tokenize, remove_stop]

```

```

In [36]: # Tokenize and preprocess each row
df['tokens'] = df['content'].apply(lambda x: prepare(x, pipeline=pipeline))

# Print the resulting dataframe
df.head()

```

Out [36]:

	source	url	content	tokens
0	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/cq-bro...	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. CQ ...	[chairman, joint, chiefs, staff, gen, cq, brow...
1	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Trump has endorsed North Carolina Republican P...	[trump, endorsed, north, carolina, republican,...
2	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/senate...	The Senate is inching closer to final passage ...	[senate, inching, closer, final, passage, 953,...
3	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/bidens...	Biden and King Abdullah II of Jordan met Monda...	[biden, king, abdullah, ii, jordan, met, monda...
4	cnn	https://www.cnn.com/2024/02/12/politics/trump-...	Trump on Monday asked the SupremeCourt to step...	[trump, monday, asked, supremecourt, step, cha...

## Basic Descriptive Statistics

Below we write a function that allows us to view the results of our preprocessed data from CNN and Fox News. We find the total words (tokens), unique words, total characters, lexical diversity, and most common words for each news organization.

```
In [37]: def descriptive_stats(tokens, num_tokens = 50, verbose=True) :
        """
        Given a list of tokens, print number of tokens, number of unique tokens,
        number of characters, lexical diversity (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lexical\_diversity)
        and num_tokens most common tokens. Return a list with the number of
        tokens, number of unique tokens, lexical diversity, and number of characters.

        """
        num_tokens = len(tokens)
        num_unique_tokens = len(set(tokens))
        lexical_diversity = num_unique_tokens / num_tokens
        num_characters = sum(len(s) for s in tokens)

        if verbose :
            print(f"There are {num_tokens} tokens in the data.")
            print(f"There are {num_unique_tokens} unique tokens in the data.")
            print(f"There are {num_characters} characters in the data.")
            print(f"The lexical diversity is {lexical_diversity:.3f} in the data.")
            print(f"The ten most common words are:")
            print(Counter(tokens).most_common(10))

        return([num_tokens, num_unique_tokens,
                lexical_diversity,
                num_characters])
```

```
In [38]: # calls to descriptive_stats here

print("CNN News Stats\n")

descriptive_stats(
    [token for tokens in df[df['source'] == 'cnn']['tokens'] for token in tokens])

print('\n')
print("FoxNews Stats\n")

descriptive_stats(
    [token for tokens in df[df['source'] == 'foxnews']['tokens'] for token in tokens])
```

### CNN News Stats

There are 76965 tokens in the data.

There are 11340 unique tokens in the data.

There are 507542 characters in the data.

The lexical diversity is 0.147 in the data.

The ten most common words are:

```
[('trump', 1527), ('biden', 741), ('republican', 560), ('house', 459), ('u  
s', 411), ('president', 402), ('election', 396), ('democrat', 360), ('case',  
284), ('campaign', 254)]
```

### FoxNews Stats

There are 40271 tokens in the data.

There are 7106 unique tokens in the data.

There are 262325 characters in the data.

The lexical diversity is 0.176 in the data.

The ten most common words are:

```
[('biden', 679), ('house', 403), ('trump', 330), ('republican', 245), ('pres  
ident', 224), ('democrat', 193), ('us', 187), ('senate', 167), ('security',  
155), ('special', 153)]
```

```
Out[38]: [40271, 7106, 0.17645452062278066, 262325]
```

## Saving the Data

Below we create a csv file to use for modeling.

```
In [39]: # save df for next step  
  
df.to_csv('data/cleaned.csv', index=False)
```