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Fake News Detection Using NLP

Fake news detection using Natural Language Processing (NLP) is a crucial application of AI and NLP techniques to combat the spread of misinformation. In this example, I'll provide a simplified Python program that uses NLP and machine learning to classify news articles as either real or fake. Note that real-world applications of fake news detection are more complex and require large datasets and more sophisticated models.

Here's a step-by-step guide and a basic Python program:



Step 1: Import

import pandas as pd

import re

from nltk.corpus import stopwords

from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize

from wordcloud import WordCloud

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.text import Tokenizer
from tensorflow.keras.preprocessing.sequence import pad_sequences
from tensorflow.keras.models import Sequential
from tensorflow.keras.layers import Embedding, SimpleRNN, Dense
from sklearn.metrics import log_loss, roc_auc_score, confusion_matrix
import seaborn as sns

Step 2: Import Dataset

true_data = pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-newsdataset/True.csv')
fake_data = pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-newsdataset/Fake.csv')

Step 3: Adding Truth Value Labels

Add labels and merge the data

fake_data['label'] = 'fake'

true_data['label'] = 'true'

merged_data = pd.concat([fake_data, true_data])

Step 4 : EDA

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true_data.head()
fake_data.head()
merged_data =
merged_data.sample(frac=1).reset_index(drop=Tr
ue)
merged_data.head()
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merged_data.dtypes
# Calculate label distribution
label_distribution =
merged_data['label'].value_counts()
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Extracting labels and counts for pie chart labels = [f"{label} ({count})" for label, count in zip(label_distribution.index, label_distribution.values)]

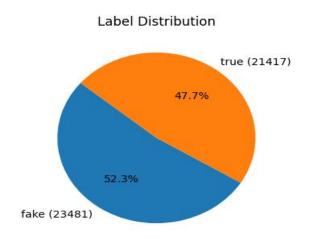
Plotting the pie chart

plt.figure(figsize=(4, 4))

plt.pie(label_distribution, labels=labels,
autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)

plt.title('Label Distribution')

plt.show()



Step 5: Preprocessing the Text

def preprocess_text(text):
 # Convert text to lowercase
 text = text.lower()

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# Remove punctuations
   text = re.sub(r'[^\w\s]', ", text)
   # Tokenize the text
   words = word_tokenize(text)
   # Remove stopwords and words with length <= 2
   stop_words = set(stopwords.words('english'))
   words = [word for word in words if word not in
stop_words and len(word) > 2]
   # Remove repeated words
   words = list(dict.fromkeys(words))
   # Join the words back into text
   text = ''.join(words)
   return text
   Distribution:
   # Calculate label distribution
   label_distribution = merged_data['label'].value_counts()
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# Extracting labels and counts for pie chart
   labels = [f"{label} ({count})" for label, count in
zip(label_distribution.index, label_distribution.values)]
   # Plotting the pie chart
   plt.figure(figsize=(4, 4))
   plt.pie(label_distribution, labels=labels,
autopct='%1.1f%%', startangle=140)
   plt.title('Label Distribution')
   plt.show()
Step 6 : Checking Fake Political News and Fake News
Buzzwords
fake_politics_data = '
'.join(merged_data[(merged_data['subject'] == 'politics')
& (merged_data['label'] == 'fake')]['clean_text'])
total_fake_news = '
'.join(merged_data[merged_data['label'] ==
'fake']['clean_text'])
fake_politics_data[0:500]
total_fake_news[0:500]
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wordcloud = WordCloud(width=800,
height=400).generate(fake_politics_data)
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.imshow(wordcloud, interpolation='bilinear')
plt.axis('off')
plt.title('Word Cloud for Fake Politics News')
plt.show()
wordcloud = WordCloud(width=800,
height=400).generate(total_fake_news)
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.imshow(wordcloud, interpolation='bilinear')
plt.axis('off')
plt.title('Word Cloud for Fake News')
plt.show()
Step 7: Splitting the Dataset
X = merged_data['clean_text']
y = merged_data['label']
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X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=42)

Step 8: Performing Tokenization

Tokenize text

tokenizer = Tokenizer()

tokenizer.fit_on_texts(X_train)

X_train_tokens = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(X_train)

X_test_tokens = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(X_test)

print(f"Total tokens: {len(tokenizer.word_index)}")

Calculate total tokens

total_tokens = sum([len(tokens) for tokens in X_train_tokens])

print("Total Tokens:", total_tokens)

maxlen = 20

X_train_pad = pad_sequences(X_train_tokens, maxlen=maxlen, padding='post')

X_test_pad = pad_sequences(X_test_tokens, maxlen=maxlen, padding='post')

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Step 9: RNN Model
# Build the RNN model
model = Sequential()
model.add(Embedding(input_dim=len(tokenizer.word_in
dex) + 1, output_dim=4, input_length=maxlen))
model.add(SimpleRNN(units=128,
return_sequences=True))
model.add(SimpleRNN(units=64,
return_sequences=True))
model.add(SimpleRNN(units=32))
model.add(Dense(units=1, activation='sigmoid'))
# Compile the model
model.compile(optimizer='adam',
loss='binary_crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy', 'AUC'])
model.summary()
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