FAKE NEWS DETECTION USING NNLP (ANALYSIS AND TRAINING MODEL)

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Project: To desing a fake news detection using NLP(Datasets& training model):

What is "Fake News"?

"Fake news" is a term that has come to mean different things to different people. At its core, we are defining "fake news" as those news stories that are false: the story itself is fabricated, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes. Sometimes these stories may be propaganda that is intentionally designed to mislead the reader, or may be designed as "clickbait" written for economic incentives (the writer profits on the number of people who click on the story). In recent years, fake news stories have proliferated via social media, in part because they are so easily and quickly shared online.

About Dataset

This data set consists of 40000 fake and real news. Our goal is to train our model to accurately predict whether a particular piece of news is real or fake. Fake and real news data are given in two separate data sets, with each data set consisting of approximately 20000 articles.

Fake News Detection with NLP:

Content:

Import Libraries Load and Check Data Visualization Data Cleaning Removal of HTML Contents Removal of Punctuation Marks and Special Characters Removal of Stopwords Lemmatization Perform it for all the examples N-Gram Analysis **Unigram Analysis** Bigram Analysis **Trigram Analysis** Modeling Train - Test Split Tokenizing Training LSTM Model **Analysis After Training**

Import Libraries:

import numpy as np import pandas as pd import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import seaborn as sns import nltk import re import string

from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split from sklearn.metrics import classification_report import keras from keras.preprocessing import text,sequence from keras.models import Sequential from keras.layers import Dense,Embedding,LSTM,Dropout Import warnings:

warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')

import os:

for dirname, _, filenames in os.walk('/kaggle/input'):

for filename in filenames:

print(os.path.join(dirname, filename))

/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/True.csv

/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/Fake.csv

Load and Check Data

real_data = pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/True.csv')
fake_data = pd.read_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/Fake.csv')
real_data.head()

title text subject date

- O As U.S. budget fight looms, Republicans flip t... WASHINGTON (Reuters) The head of a conservat... politicsNews December 31, 2017
- 1 U.S. military to accept transgender recruits o... WASHINGTON (Reuters) Transgender people will... politicsNews December 29, 2017
- 2 Senior U.S. Republican senator: 'Let Mr. Muell... WASHINGTON (Reuters) The special counsel inv... politicsNews December 31, 2017
- 3 FBI Russia probe helped by Australian diplomat... WASHINGTON (Reuters) Trump campaign adviser ... politicsNews December 30, 2017
- 4 Trump wants Postal Service to charge 'much mor... SEATTLE/WASHINGTON (Reuters) President Donal... politicsNews December 29, 2017

fake_data.head()

title text subject date

- O Donald Trump Sends Out Embarrassing New Year'... Donald Trump just couldn't wish all Americans ... News December 31, 2017
- Drunk Bragging Trump Staffer Started Russian ... House Intelligence Committee Chairman

 Devin Nu... News December 31, 2017
- 2 Sheriff David Clarke Becomes An Internet Joke... On Friday, it was revealed that former Milwauk... News December 30, 2017
- Trump Is So Obsessed He Even Has Obama's Name... On Christmas day, Donald Trump announced that ... News December 29, 2017
- 4 Pope Francis Just Called Out Donald Trump Dur... Pope Francis used his annual Christmas Day mes... News December 25, 2017

#add column

real_data['target'] = 1

fake_data['target'] = 0

real_data.tail()

title text subject date target

- 21412 'Fully committed' NATO backs new U.S. approach... BRUSSELS (Reuters) NATO allies on Tuesday we... worldnews August 22, 2017 1
- 21413 LexisNexis withdrew two products from Chinese ... LONDON (Reuters) LexisNexis, a provider of l... worldnews August 22, 2017 1
- 21414 Minsk cultural hub becomes haven from authorities MINSK (Reuters) In the shadow of disused Sov... worldnews August 22, 2017 1
- 21415 Vatican upbeat on possibility of Pope Francis ... MOSCOW (Reuters) Vatican Secretary of State ... worldnews August 22, 2017 1
- 21416 Indonesia to buy \$1.14 billion worth of Russia... JAKARTA (Reuters) Indonesia will buy 11 Sukh... worldnews August 22, 2017 1

#Merging the 2 datasets

data = pd.concat([real_data, fake_data], ignore_index=True, sort=False)
data.head()

```
title
       text
               subject date
                               target
0
       As U.S. budget fight looms, Republicans flip t... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The head of a
               politicsNews
                               December 31, 2017
conservat...
       U.S. military to accept transgender recruits o... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Transgender
               politicsNews
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people will...
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counsel inv...
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                                                               WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Trump
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                                       December 30, 2017
campaign adviser ...
       Trump wants Postal Service to charge 'much mor...
                                                               SEATTLE/WASHINGTON (Reuters) -
                       politicsNews
President Donal...
                                       December 29, 2017
data.isnull().sum()
title
      0
text
subject 0
date
target 0
dtype: int64
Visualization
1.Count of Fake and Real Data
print(data["target"].value_counts())
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,2, figsize=(19, 5))
g1 = sns.countplot(data.target,ax=ax[0],palette="pastel");
g1.set_title("Count of real and fake data")
g1.set_ylabel("Count")
g1.set_xlabel("Target")
g2 =
plt.pie(data["target"].value_counts().values,explode=[0,0],labels=data.target.value_counts().index,
autopct='%1.1f%%',colors=['SkyBlue','PeachPuff'])
fig.show()
0 23481
1 21417
Name: target, dtype: int64
```

2.Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data

```
print(data.subject.value_counts())
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
ax = sns.countplot(x="subject", hue='target', data=data, palette="pastel")
plt.title("Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data")
politicsNews
                11272
worldnews
                10145
              9050
News
politics
              6841
left-news
               4459
Government News 1570
                 783
US_News
Middle-east
                 778
Name: subject, dtype: int64
Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data')
Data Cleaning:
data['text']= data['subject'] + " " + data['title'] + " " + data['text']
del data['title']
del data['subject']
del data['date']
data.head()
text
        target
0
        politicsNews As U.S. budget fight looms, Repub...
                                                                1
1
        politicsNews U.S. military to accept transgend... 1
2
        politicsNews Senior U.S. Republican senator: '... 1
3
        politicsNews FBI Russia probe helped by Austra...
                                                                1
4
        politicsNews Trump wants Postal Service to cha...
                                                                1
first_text = data.text[10]
first_text
```

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Removal of HTML Contents:

First, let's remove HTML content.

pip install bs4

Collecting bs4

Downloading bs4-0.0.1.tar.gz (1.1 kB)

Collecting beautifulsoup4

Downloading beautifulsoup4-4.9.3-py3-none-any.whl (115 kB)

| 115 kB 1.3 MB/s

Collecting soupsieve>1.2

Downloading soupsieve-2.2.1-py3-none-any.whl (33 kB)

Building wheels for collected packages: bs4

Building wheel for bs4 (setup.py) ... - \ done

Created wheel for bs4: filename=bs4-0.0.1-py3-none-any.whl size=1273 sha256=2bea095cbbbc5fb6fc44736f40fce54b119a54eba4fa1dbedd43deddc70fda9b

Stored in directory:

/root/.cache/pip/wheels/0a/9e/ba/20e5bbc1afef3a491f0b3bb74d508f99403aabe76eda2167ca

Successfully built bs4

Installing collected packages: soupsieve, beautifulsoup4, bs4

Successfully installed beautifulsoup4-4.9.3 bs4-0.0.1 soupsieve-2.2.1

Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages.

from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

soup = BeautifulSoup(first_text, "html.parser")

first_text = soup.get_text()

first_text

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Removal of Punctuation Marks and Special Characters:

Let's now remove everything except uppercase / lowercase letters using Regular Expressions.

first_text = re.sub('\[[^]]*\]', ' ', first_text)

first_text = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]',' ',first_text) # replaces non-alphabets with spaces

first_text = first_text.lower() # Converting from uppercase to lowercase

first_text

'politicsnews jones certified u s senate winner despite moore challenge reuters alabama officials on thursday certified democrat doug jones the winner of the state s u s senate race after a state judge denied a challenge by republican roy moore whose campaign was derailed by accusations of sexual misconduct with teenage girls jones won the vacant seat by about votes or percentage points election officials said that made him the first democrat in a quarter of a century to win a senate seat in alabama the seat was previously held by republican jeff sessions who was tapped by us president donald trump as attorney general a state canvassing board composed of alabama secretary of state john merrill governor kay ivey and attorney general steve marshall certified the election results seating jones will narrow the republican majority in the senate to of seats in a statement jones called his victory a new chapter and pledged to work with both parties moore declined to concede defeat even after trump urged him to do so he stood by claims of a fraudulent election in a statement released after the certification and said he had no regrets media outlets reported an alabama judge denied moore s request to block certification of the results of the dec election in a decision shortly before the canvassing board met moore s challenge alleged there had been potential voter fraud that denied him a chance of victory his filing on wednesday in the montgomery circuit court sought to halt the meeting scheduled to ratify jones win on thursday moore could ask for a recount in addition to possible other court challenges merrill said in an interview with fox news channel he would have to complete paperwork within a timed period and show he has the money for a challenge merrill said we ve not been notified yet of their intention to do that merrill said regarding the claim of voter fraud merrill told cnn that more than cases had been reported we ve adjudicated more than of those we will continue to do that he said republican lawmakers in washington had distanced themselves from moore and called for him to drop out of the race after several women accused him of sexual assault or misconduct dating back to when they were teenagers and he was in his early s moore has denied wrongdoing and reuters has not been able to independently verify the allegations '

Removal of Stopwords:

Let's remove stopwords like is,a,the... Which do not offer much insight.

nltk.download("stopwords")

from nltk.corpus import stopwords

we can use tokenizer instead of split

first_text = nltk.word_tokenize(first_text)

```
[nltk_data] Downloading package stopwords to /usr/share/nltk_data...
[nltk_data] Package stopwords is already up-to-date!
first_text = [ word for word in first_text if not word in set(stopwords.words("english"))]
```

Lemmatization:

Lemmatization to bring back multiple forms of same word to their common root like 'coming', 'comes' into 'come'.

```
lemma = nltk.WordNetLemmatizer()
first_text = [ lemma.lemmatize(word) for word in first_text]
first_text = " ".join(first_text)
first_text
```

'politicsnews jones certified u senate winner despite moore challenge reuters alabama official thursday certified democrat doug jones winner state u senate race state judge denied challenge republican roy moore whose campaign derailed accusation sexual misconduct teenage girl jones vacant seat vote percentage point election official said made first democrat quarter century win senate seat alabama seat previously held republican jeff session tapped u president donald trump attorney general state canvassing board composed alabama secretary state john merrill governor kay ivey attorney general steve marshall certified election result seating jones narrow republican majority senate seat statement jones called victory new chapter pledged work party moore declined concede defeat even trump urged stood claim fraudulent election statement released certification said regret medium outlet reported alabama judge denied moore request block certification result dec election decision shortly canvassing board met moore challenge alleged potential voter fraud denied chance victory filing wednesday montgomery circuit court sought halt meeting scheduled ratify jones win thursday moore could ask recount addition possible court challenge merrill said interview fox news channel would complete paperwork within timed period show money challenge merrill said notified yet intention merrill said regarding claim voter fraud merrill told cnn case reported adjudicated continue said republican lawmaker washington distanced moore called drop race several woman accused sexual assault misconduct dating back teenager early moore denied wrongdoing reuters able independently verify allegation'

Perform it for all the examples

We performed the steps for a single example. Now let's perform it for all the examples in the data.

#Removal of HTML Contents

```
def remove_html(text):
    soup = BeautifulSoup(text, "html.parser")
    return soup.get_text()
```

#Removal of Punctuation Marks

def remove_punctuations(text):

```
return re.sub('\[[^]]*\]', ", text)

# Removal of Special Characters

def remove_characters(text):
    return re.sub("[^a-zA-Z]"," ",text)
```

#Removal of stopwords

```
def remove_stopwords_and_lemmatization(text):
    final_text = []
    text = text.lower()
    text = nltk.word_tokenize(text)
```

for word in text:

```
if word not in set(stopwords.words('english')):
    lemma = nltk.WordNetLemmatizer()
    word = lemma.lemmatize(word)
final_text.append(word)
return " ".join(final_text)
```

#Total function

```
def cleaning(text):
    text = remove_html(text)
    text = remove_punctuations(text)
    text = remove_characters(text)
    text = remove_stopwords_and_lemmatization(text)
    return text
```

#Apply function on text column

data['text']=data['text'].apply(cleaning)

```
data.head()

text target

0 politicsnews u budget fight loom republican fl... 1

1 politicsnews u military accept transgender rec... 1

2 politicsnews senior u republican senator let m... 1

3 politicsnews fbi russia probe helped australia... 1

4 politicsnews trump want postal service charge ... 1
```

Let's make some visualization with new data.

1.WordCloud for Real News

```
from wordcloud import WordCloud,STOPWORDS
plt.figure(figsize = (15,15))
wc = WordCloud(max_words = 500, width = 1000, height = 500, stopwords = STOPWORDS).generate(" ".join(data[data.target == 1].text))
plt.imshow(wc, interpolation = 'bilinear')
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f6934fd2750>
```

2.WordCloud for Fake News

```
plt.figure(figsize = (15,15))
wc = WordCloud(max_words = 500 , width = 1000 , height = 500 , stopwords = STOPWORDS).generate(" ".join(data[data.target == 0].text))
plt.imshow(wc , interpolation = 'bilinear')
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f6934fdd050>
```

Number of words in each text

```
fig,(ax1,ax2)=plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(12,8))
text_len=data[data['target']==0]['text'].str.split().map(lambda x: len(x))
ax1.hist(text_len,color='SkyBlue')
ax1.set_title('Fake news text')
text_len=data[data['target']==1]['text'].str.split().map(lambda x: len(x))
ax2.hist(text_len,color='PeachPuff')
ax2.set_title('Real news text')
fig.suptitle('Words in texts')
plt.show()
```

The number of words seems to be a bit different. 500 words are most common in real news category while around 250 words are most common in fake news category.

N-Gram Analysis

```
texts = ''.join(data['text'])
string = texts.split(" ")
def draw_n_gram(string,i):
    n_gram = (pd.Series(nltk.ngrams(string, i)).value_counts())[:15]
    n_gram_df=pd.DataFrame(n_gram)
    n_gram_df = n_gram_df.reset_index()
    n_gram_df = n_gram_df.rename(columns={"index": "word", 0: "count"})
    print(n_gram_df.head())
    plt.figure(figsize = (16,9))
    return sns.barplot(x='count',y='word', data=n_gram_df)
```

Unigram Analysis

Bigram Analysis

draw_n_gram(string,2)

word count

- 0 (donald, trump) 25203
- 1 (united, state) 18943
- 2 (white, house) 16296
- 3 (hillary, clinton) 10217
- 4 (new, york) 9305

<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='word'>

Trigram Analysis

draw_n_gram(string,3)

word count

- 0 (president, donald, trump) 6830
- 1 (pic, twitter, com) 6185
- 2 (featured, image, via) 6029
- 3 (president, barack, obama) 3911
- 4 (getty, image, news) 3575

<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='word'>

Modeling:

Train Test Split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(data['text'], data['target'], random_state=0)

Tokenizing

Tokenizing Text -> Repsesenting each word by a number

Mapping of orginal word to number is preserved in word index property of tokenizer

Lets keep all news to 300, add padding to news with less than 300 words and truncating long ones max_features = 10000

maxlen = 300

tokenizer = text.Tokenizer(num_words=max_features)

tokenizer.fit_on_texts(X_train)

tokenized_train = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(X_train)

X_train = sequence.pad_sequences(tokenized_train, maxlen=maxlen)

tokenized_test = tokenizer.texts_to_sequences(X_test)

X_test = sequence.pad_sequences(tokenized_test, maxlen=maxlen)

Training LSTM Model

batch_size = 256 epochs = 10 embed_size = 100

model = Sequential()

```
#Non-trainable embeddidng layer
model.add(Embedding(max features, output dim=embed size, input length=maxlen,
trainable=False))
#LSTM
model.add(LSTM(units=128, return_sequences = True, recurrent_dropout = 0.25, dropout = 0.25))
model.add(LSTM(units=64, recurrent_dropout = 0.1, dropout = 0.1))
model.add(Dense(units = 32, activation = 'relu'))
model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid'))
model.compile(optimizer=keras.optimizers.Adam(Ir = 0.01), loss='binary_crossentropy',
metrics=['accuracy'])
model.summary()
Model: "sequential"
```

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
embedding (Embedd	ling) (None, 300,	100) 1000000
lstm (LSTM)	(None, 300, 128)	117248
lstm_1 (LSTM)	(None, 64)	49408
dense (Dense)	(None, 32)	2080
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 1)	33

Total params: 1,168,769 Trainable params: 168,769 Non-trainable params: 1,000,000

Epoch 5/10

```
history = model.fit(X_train, y_train, validation_split=0.3, epochs=10, batch_size=batch_size,
shuffle=True, verbose = 1)
Epoch 1/10
val_loss: 1.2749 - val_accuracy: 0.5668
Epoch 2/10
val_loss: 0.2542 - val_accuracy: 0.8987
Epoch 3/10
val_loss: 0.2555 - val_accuracy: 0.8998
Epoch 4/10
val_loss: 0.2131 - val_accuracy: 0.9171
```

```
val loss: 0.1326 - val accuracy: 0.9435
Epoch 6/10
val loss: 0.1308 - val accuracy: 0.9392
Epoch 7/10
val_loss: 0.0389 - val_accuracy: 0.9860
Epoch 8/10
val_loss: 0.0402 - val_accuracy: 0.9838
Epoch 9/10
val loss: 0.0400 - val accuracy: 0.9875
Epoch 10/10
val_loss: 0.0454 - val_accuracy: 0.9828
Analysis After Training
print("Accuracy of the model on Training Data is - ", model.evaluate(X train,y train)[1]*100, "%")
print("Accuracy of the model on Testing Data is - ", model.evaluate(X_test,y_test)[1]*100, "%")
1053/1053 [=============== ] - 101s 96ms/step - loss: 0.0393 - accuracy: 0.9843
Accuracy of the model on Training Data is - 98.42603802680969 %
Accuracy of the model on Testing Data is - 98.39643836021423 %
plt.figure()
plt.plot(history.history["accuracy"], label = "Train")
plt.plot(history.history["val_accuracy"], label = "Test")
plt.title("Accuracy")
plt.ylabel("Acc")
plt.xlabel("epochs")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
pred = model.predict_classes(X_test)
print(classification_report(y_test, pred, target_names = ['Fake','Real']))
     precision recall f1-score support
Fake
          0.97
     1.00
               0.98
                     5858
Real
     0.97
          1.00
               0.98
                    5367
accuracy
                0.98
                    11225
           0.98
                0.98
                    0.98 11225
macro avg
weighted avg
           0.98
                0.98
                     0.98 11225
```

Conclusion:

In an era of information overload, the ability to detect fake news is of paramount importance to safeguard the public from misinformation and its potentially harmful consequences. NLP, with its ability to extract meaning and context from text, plays a pivotal role in this critical endeavor. As the field continues to evolve, research and innovation in NLP techniques will contribute to more accurate and robust fake news detection systems.

Utilizing Natural Language Processing (NLP) for fake news detection is a promising and evolving field with the potential to combat the spread of misinformation and disinformation.