# ML\_Project\_Fake\_News\_Detector

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#### 1 Initialization tweaks

- Initiating GoogleDrive mounting
- Necessary Library's imports
- Load Dataset [Optional]

```
[]: #-Google Drive Access-Granting
from google.colab import drive
drive.mount('/content/drive')
```

Drive already mounted at /content/drive; to attempt to forcibly remount, call drive.mount("/content/drive", force\_remount=True).

Good to go

```
[]: #-Library imports
     import pandas as pd
     import matplotlib
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import numpy as np
     import statistics
     import math
     import nltk
     import string
     from time import time
     import seaborn as sns
     from sklearn import preprocessing
     from sklearn import linear_model
     from sklearn import svm
     from sklearn import metrics
     from sklearn.utils import validation
```

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from sklearn.utils.extmath import density
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.model_selection import KFold
from sklearn.model_selection import StratifiedKFold
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.model selection import cross validate
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn.linear model import LinearRegression, PassiveAggressiveClassifier
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.preprocessing import normalize
from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, pairwise_distances, __
→mean_absolute_error, classification_report, confusion_matrix
from sklearn.metrics import roc curve, auc
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn.datasets import make blobs
#Import Gaussian Naive Bayes model
from sklearn.naive bayes import GaussianNB
from seaborn import heatmap
from math import exp
from random import randint, seed
import itertools
from statsmodels.graphics.mosaicplot import mosaic
from matplotlib.patches import Patch
from collections import deque
%matplotlib inline
```

```
[]: def nclass_classification_mosaic_plot(n_classes, results):
    """
    build a mosaic plot from the results of a classification

parameters:
    n_classes: number of classes
    results: results of the prediction in form of an array of arrays

In case of 3 classes the prdiction could look like
    [[10, 2, 4],
       [1, 12, 3],
       [2, 2, 9]
    ]

    where there is one array for each class and each array holds the predictions for each class [class 1, class 2, class 3].
```

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This is just a prototype including colors for 6 classes.
   class_lists = [range(n_classes)]*2
   mosaic_tuples = tuple(itertools.product(*class_lists))
   res_list = results[0]
   for i, l in enumerate(results):
       if i == 0:
           pass
       else:
           tmp = deque(1)
           tmp.rotate(-i)
           res_list.extend(tmp)
   data = {t:res_list[i] for i,t in enumerate(mosaic_tuples)}
   fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(11, 10))
   plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 16})
   font_color = '#2c3e50'
   pallet = [
       '#6a89cc',
       '#4a69bd',
       '#1e3799',
       '#0c2461',
       '#82ccdd',
       '#60a3bc',
   ]
   colors = deque(pallet[:n_classes])
   all_colors = []
   for i in range(n_classes):
       if i > 0:
           colors.rotate(-1)
       all_colors.extend(colors)
   props = {(str(a), str(b)):{'color':all_colors[i]} for i,(a, b) in_
→enumerate(mosaic_tuples)}
   labelizer = lambda k: ''
   p = mosaic(data, labelizer=labelizer, properties=props, ax=ax)
   title_font_dict = {
       'fontsize': 20,
       'color' : font_color,
   }
   axis_label_font_dict = {
       'fontsize': 16,
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'color' : font_color,
}

ax.tick_params(axis = "x", which = "both", bottom = False, top = False)
ax.axes.yaxis.set_ticks([])
ax.tick_params(axis='x', which='major', labelsize=14)

ax.set_title('Classification Report', fontdict=title_font_dict, pad=25)
ax.set_xlabel('Observed Class', fontdict=axis_label_font_dict, labelpad=10)
ax.set_ylabel('Predicted Class', fontdict=axis_label_font_dict, labelpad=35)

legend_elements = [Patch(facecolor=all_colors[i], label='Class {}'.

format(i)) for i in range(n_classes)]
ax.legend(handles=legend_elements, bbox_to_anchor=(1,1.018), fontsize=16)

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

```
[]: # Loading Dataset
     file0 = 'news.csv'
     file1 = 'Fake.csv'
     file2 = 'True.csv'
     df0 = pd.read_csv(path + file0)
     df1 = pd.read_csv(path + file1)
     df2 = pd.read_csv(path + file2)
     print(df0.columns, df0, sep='\n', end='\n')
     print(df1.columns, df1, sep='\n', end='\n\n')
     print(df2.columns, df2, sep='\n', end='\n\n')
     df1['label'] = 'FAKE'
     df2['label'] = 'REAL'
     dataset = pd.concat([df0[['title','text','label']] ,__
     →df1[['title','text','label']], df2[['title','text','label']]], u
     →ignore_index=True)
     dataset = dataset.sample(frac=1).reset_index(drop=True)
     print(dataset.columns, dataset.shape)
     dataset.tail()
     # print('Dataset Attributes::', dataset.columns)
     # print('Dataset Dim::', dataset.shape)
     # print(dataset.head())
     # print('\nData Output::\n', dataset.label)
```

```
Index(['Unnamed: 0', 'title', 'text', 'label'], dtype='object')
      Unnamed: 0 ... label
0
            8476 ... FAKE
           10294 ... FAKE
1
2
            3608 ... REAL
3
           10142
                  ... FAKE
4
             875 ... REAL
           ... ...
            4490 ... REAL
6330
            8062 ... FAKE
6331
            8622 ... FAKE
6332
            4021 ... REAL
6333
            4330 ... REAL
6334
[6335 rows x 4 columns]
Index(['title', 'text', 'subject', 'date'], dtype='object')
                                                                            date
0
        Donald Trump Sends Out Embarrassing New Year' ... ... December 31, 2017
1
        Drunk Bragging Trump Staffer Started Russian ... ... December 31, 2017
2
        Sheriff David Clarke Becomes An Internet Joke... ... December 30, 2017
3
        Trump Is So Obsessed He Even Has Obama's Name... ... December 29, 2017
4
        Pope Francis Just Called Out Donald Trump Dur... ... December 25, 2017
23476 McPain: John McCain Furious That Iran Treated ... ...
                                                              January 16, 2016
       JUSTICE? Yahoo Settles E-mail Privacy Class-ac... ...
23477
                                                              January 16, 2016
23478 Sunnistan: US and Allied 'Safe Zone' Plan to T... ...
                                                              January 15, 2016
23479 How to Blow $700 Million: Al Jazeera America F... ...
                                                              January 14, 2016
23480 10 U.S. Navy Sailors Held by Iranian Military ... ...
                                                              January 12, 2016
[23481 rows x 4 columns]
Index(['title', 'text', 'subject', 'date'], dtype='object')
                                                    title ...
date
0
       As U.S. budget fight looms, Republicans flip t... ... December 31, 2017
       U.S. military to accept transgender recruits o... ... December 29, 2017
1
       Senior U.S. Republican senator: 'Let Mr. Muell... ... December 31, 2017
3
       FBI Russia probe helped by Australian diplomat... ... December 30, 2017
       Trump wants Postal Service to charge 'much mor... ... December 29, 2017
4
21412
       'Fully committed' NATO backs new U.S. approach... ...
                                                               August 22, 2017
21413 LexisNexis withdrew two products from Chinese ... ...
                                                               August 22, 2017
21414 Minsk cultural hub becomes haven from authorities ...
                                                                 August 22, 2017
21415 Vatican upbeat on possibility of Pope Francis ... ...
                                                               August 22, 2017
21416 Indonesia to buy $1.14 billion worth of Russia... ...
                                                               August 22, 2017
```

```
[21417 rows x 4 columns]
    Index(['title', 'text', 'label'], dtype='object') (51233, 3)
[]:
                                                          title ... label
            Erdogan, Putin to discuss Syria, Jerusalem dur... ... REAL
     51228
     51229
            LET THE BOYCOTTS BEGIN: KEURIG COFFEE and 4 Ma... ...
            Egypt blocks Human Rights Watch website amid w... ...
     51230
                                                                  REAL
     51231
            Minnesota governor to undergo surgery for canc... ...
                                                                  REAL
     51232
             Bernie Sanders Will Visit The Vatican To Spea... ...
                                                                  FAKE
     [5 rows x 3 columns]
        Analyzing Dataset
       • Determining the Labels(outputs) and Inputs
[]: # Outputs or Labels
     labels = dataset.label;
     print(labels)
     # Sample Data
     df = dataset['text']
     df
```

```
0
              FAKE
              REAL
    1
              R.F.AT.
    3
              REAL
              FAKE
    51228
             REAL
    51229
             FAKE
    51230
             REAL
              REAL
    51231
    51232
              FAKE
    Name: label, Length: 51233, dtype: object
[]: 0
              While many in the United States have come to t...
              MANCHESTER, England (Reuters) - British Prime ...
     1
     2
              ANKARA (Reuters) - Turkey received bids last F...
     3
              WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Two former top U.S. int...
              What s it going to take for someone to step in...
              ANKARA (Reuters) - Russian President Vladimir ...
     51228
     51229
              Before Keurig, and other major companies commi...
     51230
              CAIRO (Reuters) - Egypt has blocked the websit...
```

```
51231 (Reuters) - Minnesota Governor Mark Dayton wil...
51232 Presidential Candidate Bernie Sanders, who fac...
Name: text, Length: 51233, dtype: object
```

### 3 Splitting the dataset

• Split the dataset into training and testing sets.

```
[]: | # Split Dataset with a 8:2 ratio for training and testing
               sampple data:: the 'text' column only.
     x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test = train_test_split(df, labels, test_size=0.2,
                                                        random_state=7)
     print(x train)
     print(y_train)
     print(x_test)
    6890
             Police in this country had a great run. Let s ...
             SYDNEY (Reuters) - Australians turned in 51,00...
    45936
    22230
             A Wisconsin judge has refused to order local o...
    40082
             LIMA (Reuters) - Brazilian builder Odebrecht [...
    42905
             Many Americans have suspected that the rise of...
    13927
             The NAACP staged a sit-in at the office of Ala...
    919
             WASHINGTON (Reuters) - U.S. Congressman Steve ...
    38467
             BEIRUT (Reuters) - The Syrian government rejec...
    10742
    49689
             Sean Spicer gave Hillary Clinton a little dig ...
    Name: text, Length: 40986, dtype: object
    6890
             FAKE
    45936
             REAL
    22230
             FAKE
             REAL
    40082
    42905
             FAKE
    13927
             FAKE
             REAL
    919
             REAL
    38467
    10742
             FAKE
    49689
             FAKE
    Name: label, Length: 40986, dtype: object
    23499
             Private jets, lots of cash, presidential suite...
             Trump administration officials are mulling an \dots
    5965
    47211
             **Want FOX News First in your inbox every day?...
              Members Of The Intelligence Committee Simply ...
    25930
             TWITTER IS ABUZZ OVER THE FLY THAT LANDED ON H...
    20885
```

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28054 WASHINGTON (Reuters) - A group of Democratic 1...
12110 KABUL (Reuters) - Vice President Mike Pence ma...
36322 West Virginia has been devastated by a loss of...
44194 B..b..but That can t be right Maybe we should ...
44946 WASHINGTON (Reuters) - U.S. President Donald T...
Name: text, Length: 10247, dtype: object
```

### 4 Dataset Preprocessing using a TfidfVectorizer

Let's initialize a *TfidfVectorizer* with stop words from the English language and a maximum document frequency of 0.7 (terms with a higher document frequency will be discarded). Stop words are the most common words in a language that are to be filtered out before processing the natural language data. And a *TfidfVectorizer* turns a collection of raw documents into a matrix of TF-IDF features.

- **TF** (**Term Frequency**): The number of times a word appears in a document is its Term Frequency. A higher value means a term appears more often than others, and so, the document is a good match when the term is part of the search terms.
- IDF (Inverse Document Frequency): Words that occur many times a document, but also occur many times in many others, may be irrelevant. IDF is a measure of how significant a term is in the entire corpus.

```
[]: # Initialize a TfidfVectorizer
tfidf_vectorizer = TfidfVectorizer(stop_words='english', max_df=0.7)

# Fit and transform train set, transform test set
t0 = time()
tfidf_train = tfidf_vectorizer.fit_transform(x_train)
tfidf_test = tfidf_vectorizer.transform(x_test)
preprocess_time = time() - t0
print(tfidf_test)
```

```
(0, 128393)
              0.09160219142317329
(0, 123421)
              0.050692675829555334
(0, 120018)
              0.13358732532461629
(0, 115093)
              0.0572543300124491
(0, 114933)
              0.09845238614140546
(0, 110795)
              0.16255093777486046
(0, 109086)
              0.039520328193992676
(0, 108049)
              0.12782150832497632
(0, 107958)
              0.1345110883906628
(0, 105019)
              0.06957679124535648
(0, 100453)
              0.11024026684077948
(0, 100003)
              0.06632491121109792
(0, 97064)
              0.06050491380951155
(0, 96725)
              0.11157827801659405
(0, 96543)
              0.0747981500020641
(0, 95274)
              0.1397670183327725
```

```
(0, 93563)
              0.09798703217176453
(0, 92821)
              0.10223071197467873
(0, 91620)
              0.06732768161628239
(0, 91280)
              0.048005949675386045
(0, 91183)
              0.28908697090133667
(0, 85962)
              0.15111257704319278
(0, 85626)
              0.08882542864779046
(0, 84505)
              0.06068187171259706
(0, 80052)
              0.05359030768161428
(10246, 61957)
                      0.09524361237419485
(10246, 57904)
                      0.10579831006675786
(10246, 57355)
                      0.2059306774710701
(10246, 57349)
                      0.11435602692754665
(10246, 57118)
                      0.10385007438687317
(10246, 55620)
                      0.12558886057179253
(10246, 50944)
                      0.1456763258561254
(10246, 50680)
                      0.1477767435225432
(10246, 49653)
                      0.13879756022869624
(10246, 44876)
                      0.2116990616578496
(10246, 44873)
                      0.1721598615396174
(10246, 37026)
                      0.05354472949786926
(10246, 34395)
                      0.15432588922068582
(10246, 33043)
                      0.08903448147152995
(10246, 29124)
                      0.10468837600568447
(10246, 29118)
                      0.167842154618641
(10246, 28995)
                      0.14385537407476698
(10246, 28993)
                      0.27219953112183265
(10246, 21445)
                      0.1303388370844514
(10246, 18643)
                      0.09024454380991116
(10246, 9465) 0.07757296809157904
(10246, 9298) 0.10567525369416872
(10246, 9126) 0.09530504316714665
(10246, 7233) 0.1478275291099032
(10246, 1)
              0.0805323369953822
```

## 5 Learning Model Selection

Choose a Learning Model, Methodology or Schema for training the dataset.

Here, as it's a classification problem, we are using a *PassiveAggressiveClassifier* due to the fact that we have vectorized the sample data during the preprocessing step using a *TfidfVectorizer*.

For explaination purpose, **Passive Aggressive algorithms** are online learning algorithms. Such an algorithm remains passive for a correct classification outcome, and turns aggressive in the event of a miscalculation, updating and adjusting. Unlike most other algorithms, it does not converge. Its purpose is to make updates that correct the loss, causing very little change in the norm of the weight vector.

```
[]: # Initialize a PassiveAggressiveClassifier
model = PassiveAggressiveClassifier(max_iter=50)
model
```

```
[]: PassiveAggressiveClassifier(C=1.0, average=False, class_weight=None, early_stopping=False, fit_intercept=True, loss='hinge', max_iter=50, n_iter_no_change=5, n_jobs=None, random_state=None, shuffle=True, tol=0.001, validation_fraction=0.1, verbose=0, warm_start=False)
```

### 6 Fitting the Model and Predicting its outcomes.

Here we will fit the model with the trained vectorized sample data from tfidf\_train of the TfidfVectorizer and the y\_train of the initial sample data.

```
[]: # Fitting the Model with the tfidf_train & y_train.
t0 = time()
history = model.fit(tfidf_train,y_train)
train_time = time() - t0

# Predict on the test set tfidf_test from the TfidfVectorizer
t0 = time()
y_pred = model.predict(tfidf_test)
test_time = time() - t0
print('Predicted Outcomes -->', y_pred, y_pred.shape)

# and

# Calculate the accuracy with accuracy_score()
score = accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred)
# score = model.score(tfidf_test,y_pred)
print(f'\nModel-Accuracy: {round(score*100,2)}%')
```

```
Predicted Outcomes --> ['FAKE' 'FAKE' 'REAL' ... 'FAKE' 'REAL' 'REAL'] (10247,)

Model-Accuracy: 97.47%
```

## 7 Report and Visualization on the selected Model

From the Previous Step, after training and testing the model using *PassiveAggressiveClassifier* we got an *accuracy* of more than 97% on the testing sample.

For more insights, we will print out the **confusion matrix** to view the number of false and true negatives and positives.

We will also print out the **heat map** generated from the confusion matrix.

```
[]: # Model Report
   report = classification_report(y_test,y_pred, labels=['FAKE','REAL'])
   print('-----\n')
   print(report)
   print('----\n')
   # Confusion-Matrix
   conf_mat = confusion_matrix(y_test,y_pred, labels=['FAKE','REAL'])
   print('::Confusion-Matrix::')
   print('',conf_mat)
   print('\n----\n')
   # Model Precision: what percentage of positive tuples are labeled as such?
   print("Precision: \t%.2f\n" % metrics.precision_score(y_test, y_pred,_
    →average='weighted'))
   # Model Recall: what percentage of positive tuples are labelled as such?
   print("Recall: \t%.2f\n" % metrics.recall_score(y_test, y_pred,_
    →average='weighted'))
   print("Density: \t%f\n" % density(model.coef_))
   print("Dimensionality: %d\n" % model.coef_.shape[1])
   print('----\n')
   print("Train Time: \t%.3fs\n" % train_time)
   print("Test Time: \t%.3fs\n" % test_time)
   print(f'Data-Preprocessing Time: {round(preprocess_time, 3)}s\n')
   print('----\n')
   print(f'Accuracy Score: {round(score*100,2)}%\n')
   print('----\n')
```

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precision recall f1-score support

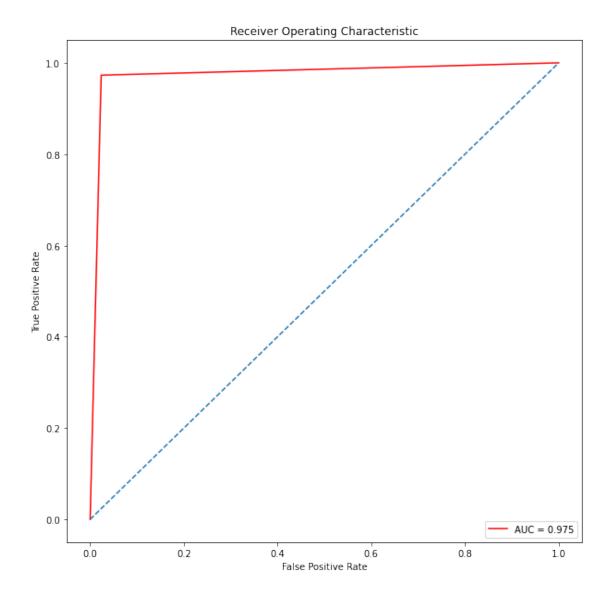
FAKE 0.97 0.98 0.98 5293
```

```
REAL 0.97 0.97 0.97 4954
                                      0.97
                                             10247
       accuracy
                   0.97 0.97
0.97 0.97
      macro avg
                                      0.97
                                              10247
   weighted avg
                                      0.97
                                              10247
   ::Confusion-Matrix::
    [[5168 125]
    [ 134 4820]]
   Precision: 0.97
   Recall: 0.97
   Density: 0.605463
   Dimensionality: 129377
   Train Time: 0.536s
   Test Time: 0.005s
   Data-Preprocessing Time: 12.507s
   Accuracy Score: 97.47%
[]: # transform
    y_t = []
    y_pr = []
    for yt in y_test:
     if yt == 'REAL':
       y_tt.append(1)
     elif yt == 'FAKE':
       y_tt.append(0)
```

for yp in y\_pred:

ROC-AUC = 0.9746675269269267

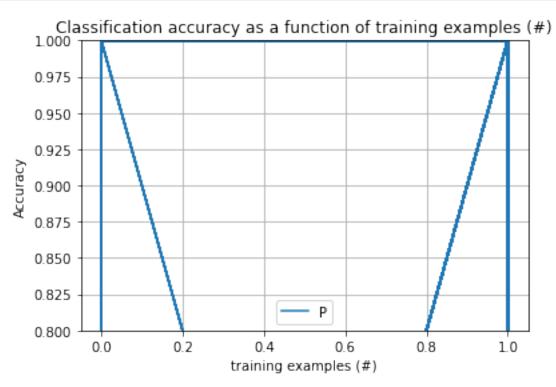
[]: Text(0.5, 0, 'False Positive Rate')



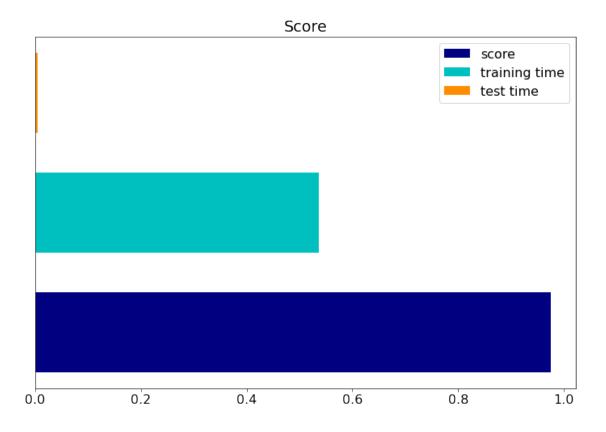
```
[]: def plot_accuracy(x, y, x_legend):
    """Plot accuracy as a function of x."""
    x = np.array(x)
    y = np.array(y)
    plt.title('Classification accuracy as a function of %s' % x_legend)
    plt.xlabel('%s' % x_legend)
    plt.ylabel('Accuracy')
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.plot(x, y)

plt.figure()
plot_accuracy(y_tt,y_pr,"training examples (#)")
ax = plt.gca()
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ax.set_ylim((0.8, 1))
plt.legend("PAC", loc='best')
plt.show()
```





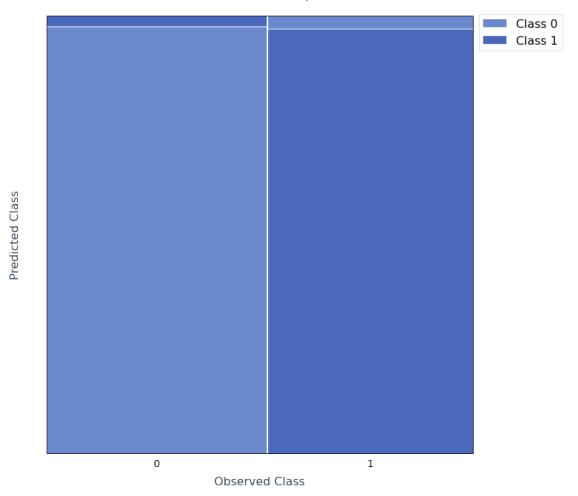


```
[]: # Converting numpyarray to list
  results = list()
  for line in conf_mat:
    results.append([data for data in line])
  print(type(results), results)

# visualize the results
  nclass_classification_mosaic_plot(len(results), results)
```

<class 'list'> [[5168, 125], [134, 4820]]

#### Classification Report



### 8 Testing The Model with user input

```
[]: text_data = "In recent weeks, Microsoft has detected cyberattacks targeting_\( \) ⇒people and organizations involved in the upcoming presidential election,\( \) ⇒including unsuccessful attacks on people associated with both the Trump and\( \) ⇒Biden campaigns, as detailed below. We have and will continue to defend our\( \) ⇒democracy against these attacks through notifications of such activity to\( \) ⇒impacted customers, security features in our products and services, and\( \) ⇒legal and technical disruptions. The activity we are announcing today makes\( \) ⇒clear that foreign activity groups have stepped up their efforts targeting\( \) ⇒the 2020 election as had been anticipated, and is consistent with what the U.
\( \) ⇒S. government and others have reported. We also report here on attacks\( \) ⇒against other institutions and enterprises worldwide that reflect similar\( \) ⇒adversary activity." #@param {type:"raw"} print(text_data)
```

```
x = [text_data,]

tfidf_test = tfidf_vectorizer.transform(x)

pred = model.predict(tfidf_test)

pred

print('This news is', pred[0])
```

In recent weeks, Microsoft has detected cyberattacks targeting people and organizations involved in the upcoming presidential election, including unsuccessful attacks on people associated with both the Trump and Biden campaigns, as detailed below. We have and will continue to defend our democracy against these attacks through notifications of such activity to impacted customers, security features in our products and services, and legal and technical disruptions. The activity we are announcing today makes clear that foreign activity groups have stepped up their efforts targeting the 2020 election as had been anticipated, and is consistent with what the U.S. government and others have reported. We also report here on attacks against other institutions and enterprises worldwide that reflect similar adversary activity.

This news is REAL