FAKE

NEWS

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Introduction

• Since the beginning of any form of media sharing rather it be a newspaper, radio, or website there have been people who tried to trick or deceive others with lies.

 Recently popularize by Donald Trump, I set out to fix an age-old problem by detecting rather an online article is a fake or reliable news source.

How Articles Were Chosen & Classified

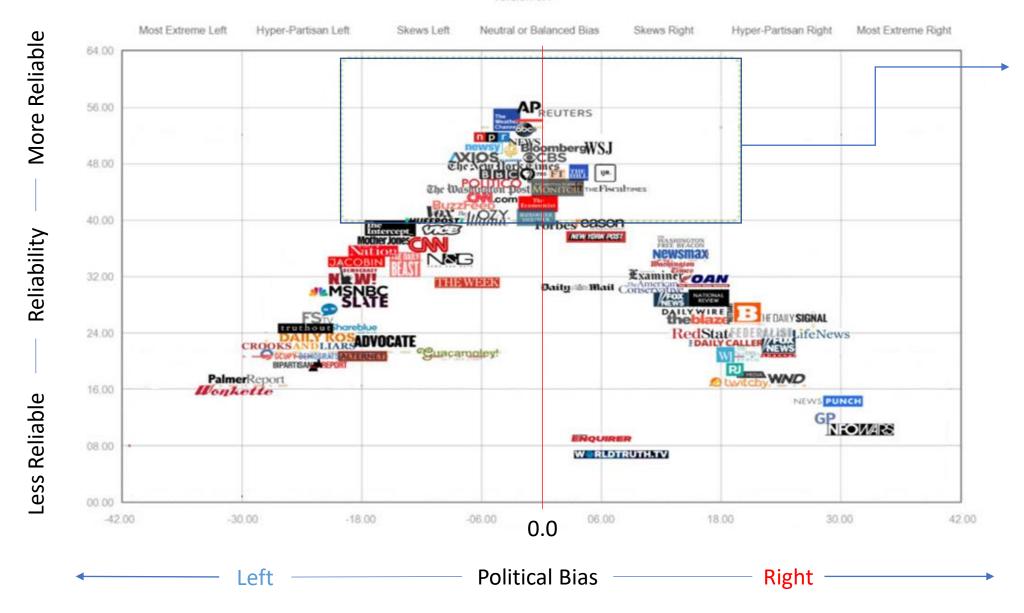
 The original dataset from Kaggle provided ~ 20000 source of equal balance of reliable and fake news articles.

 Buzzfeed provided a list of 8000 fake news articles along with impact metrics.

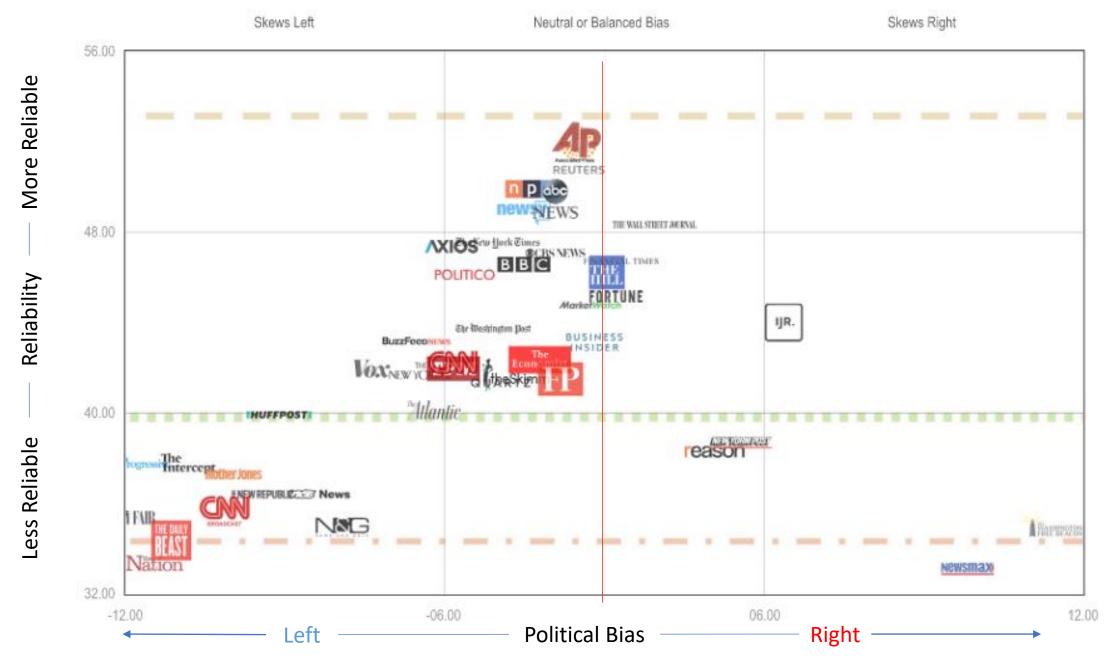
 Reliable news sources were picked by taking a vim diagram of two sources and only scraping from media outlets that appeared as reliable in both sources.

The Media Bias Chart

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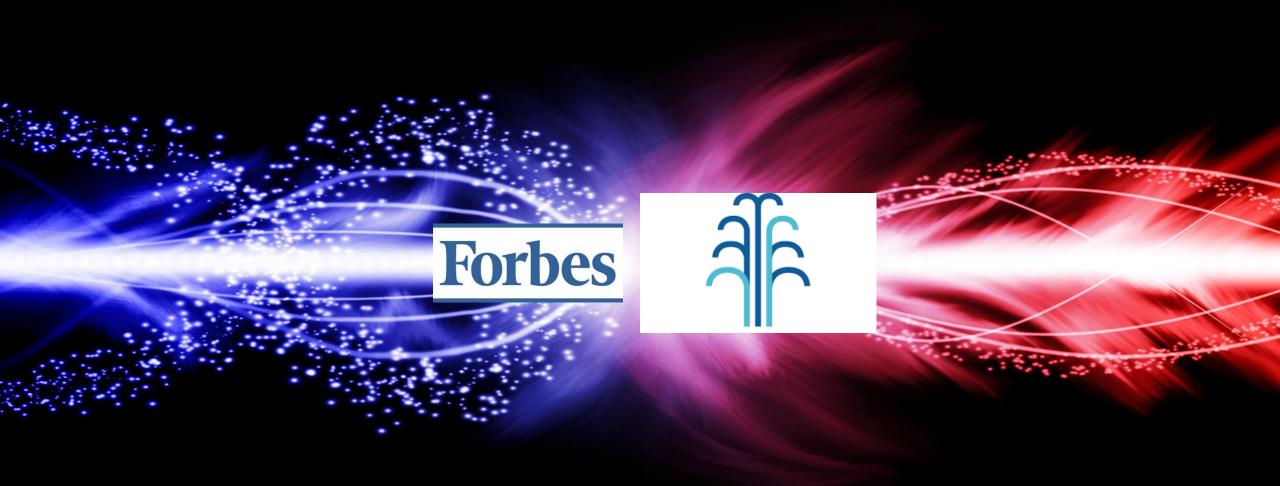


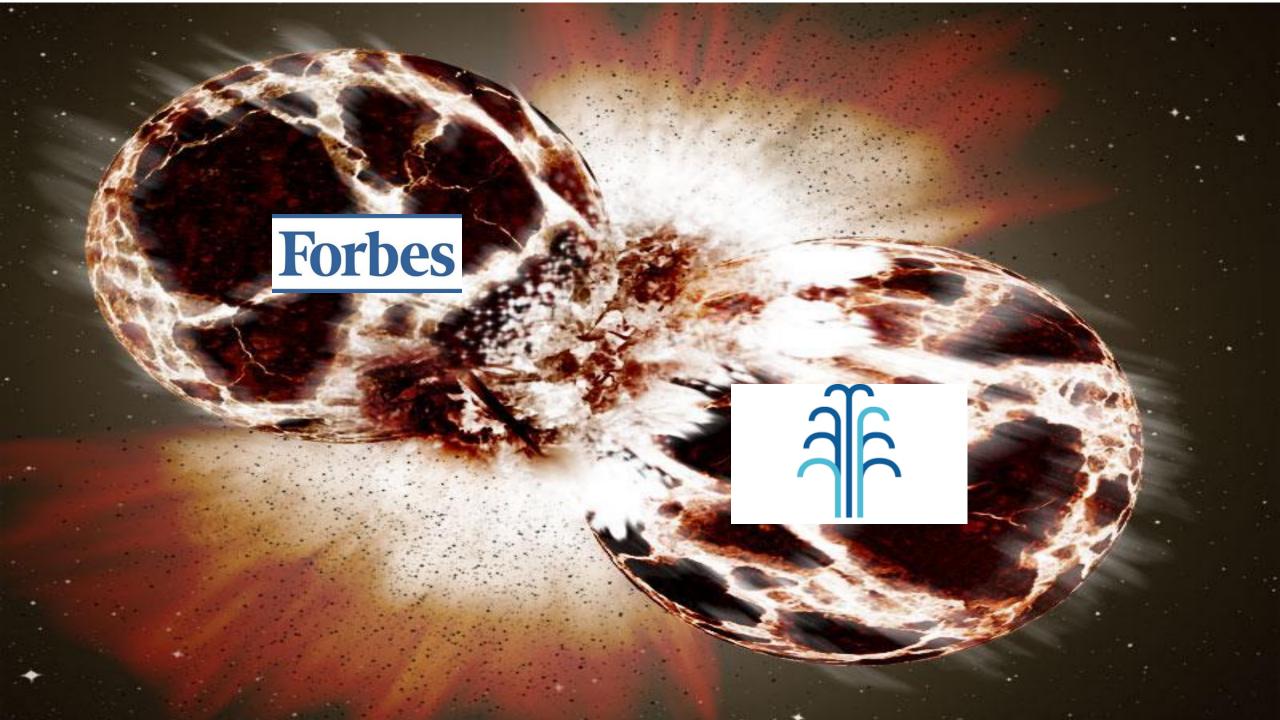
Area of focus & most reliable sources



10 Journalism Brands Where You Find Real Facts Rather Than Alternative Facts

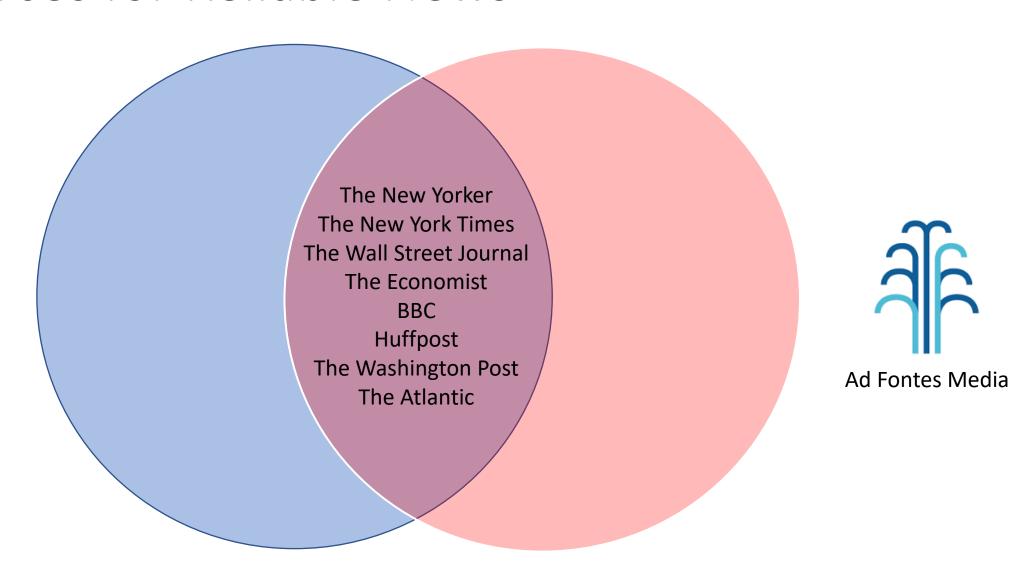
- 1. The New York Times
- 2. The Wall Street Journal
- 3. The Washington Post
- 4. BBC
- 5. The Economist
- 6. The New Yorker
- 7. Wire Services: The Associated Press, Reuters, Bloomberg News
- 8. Foreign Affairs
- 9. The Atlantic
- 10. Politico





8 Sources for Reliable News

Forbes





• Step one: Provide a URL to a web article.

Example: https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/13/us/politics/trump-daily-coronavirus-briefing.html

• Step 2: Press the enter / submit button

Results URL Submit The article is real.



Results

• The model got an 99.97824% accuracy when classifying articles it hasn't seen.

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Donald Trump can rest easy knowing fake news cannot hide....

QUESTIONS?

Links

- https://www.kaggle.com/c/fake-news/data
- https://www.kaggle.com/rmisra/news-category-dataset
- https://libguides.library.kent.edu/c.php?g=278400&p=1854632
- https://www.forbes.com/sites/berlinschoolofcreativeleadership/2017/02/01/10journalism-brands-where-you-will-find-real-facts-rather-than-alternativefacts/#82973b6e9b5a
- https://www.adfontesmedia.com/interactive-media-bias-chart/?v=402f03a963ba

Links

- https://github.com/BuzzFeedNews/2018-12-fake-news-top-50
- https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/craigsilverman/facebook-fake-news-hits-2018
- https://www.kaggle.com/nzalake52/new-york-times-articles
- https://www.kaggle.com/plarmuseau/minimalistic-logistic-ngram-tfidf-lb-0-975

Data Sources

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 - https://www.kaggle.com/nzalake52/new-york-times-articles
- Buzzfeed
 - https://github.com/BuzzFeedNews/2018-12-fake-news-top-50