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Fake News Analysis in Social Media with Artificial Intelligence

1.Introduction

1.1 Project overviews

Fake news on social media refers to the deliberate creation or sharing of false information designed to mislead people. With the rise of platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, the spread of such misinformation has become easier and faster, often reaching millions within minutes. Unlike traditional media, where content typically undergoes editorial scrutiny, social media allows anyone to post and share content without verification.

Fake news can be politically motivated, aimed at influencing elections or swaying public opinion, or driven by financial incentives, like generating clicks for ad revenue. Social media algorithms, which prioritize engaging and sensational content, often amplify fake news, as such stories tend to provoke strong emotional reactions, leading to more shares and engagement.

This phenomenon poses serious risks to society, including undermining trust in institutions, spreading false health information, and fueling social and political divisions. While platforms are taking steps to combat fake news through fact-checking partnerships and moderation policies, the challenge of balancing free speech with preventing misinformation remains ongoing.

1.2 Objectives:

1. **Identify and Debunk Misinformation:**

The most fundamental goal is to accurately identify and debunk false information, preventing its spread and limiting its impact.

2. **Protect Public Health:**

During crises like pandemics, fake news can spread misinformation about treatments, prevention measures, and the virus itself. Fake news analysis can help protect public health by providing accurate information.

3. **Improve Election Integrity:**

Fake news can be used to manipulate public opinion and influence elections. By analyzing fake news, we can help maintain election integrity by exposing false claims and ensuring voters have access to accurate information.

4. **Enhance Media Literacy:**

Analyzing fake news can help individuals develop critical thinking skills and become more media literate. This can empower them to evaluate information more effectively and avoid falling victim to misinformation.

5. **Support Fact-Checking Efforts:**

Fake news analysis can provide data and insights that support fact-checking organizations in identifying and debunking false claims. This can improve the overall accuracy and credibility of information available online.

6. **Understand Trends and Patterns:**

Analyzing fake news can help identify trends and patterns in the spread of misinformation, allowing for the development of more effective countermeasures of fake news on social media and developing actionable solutions.

2. Project Initialization and Planning Phase

2.1 Define Problem Statements (Customer Problem Statement Template):

The rise of social media as a primary source of news has led to an alarming increase in the spread of fake news, which can distort public opinion, fuel misinformation, and create social and political unrest. Due to the sheer volume and speed of content generation, identifying and curbing the spread of fake news is a challenging task. Existing manual fact-checking processes are often too slow and inefficient to handle the dynamic nature of online information, necessitating an automated and scalable approach to detect and analyze fake news effectively.

The user in the age of digital communication, social media platforms have become primary sources of news for millions. However, the rapid spread of misinformation and fake news poses significant challenges to public discourse, societal trust, and informed decision-making. This project aims to develop a comprehensive analysis system that identifies, classifies, and mitigates the impact of fake news on social media..

I am	I am trying to	But	Because	Which makes me feel
A Social Media Platform User	find the fake news in social media	It is hard to recognize the fake news	It is hard to find in the current <u>scenerios</u>	To find the news real or fake

Problem Statement(PS)

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PS-1	A Social Media Platform User	find the fake news in social media	It is hard to recognize the fake news	It is hard to find in the current <u>scenerios</u>	To find the news real or fake

2.2 Project Proposal (Proposed Solution) report

This project proposes a targeted solution to [briefly state the problem] by implementing [describe the main approach or technology]. Our objectives include [list key objectives], with the aim of achieving [mention expected outcomes]. The initiative will be executed within a defined timeline and budget.

Project Overview	
Objective	The main objective of fake news analysis in social media is to identify, assess, and mitigate the spread of misinformation by evaluating the credibility of sources, understanding user engagement patterns, and developing effective strategies to promote accurate information..
Scope	The scope of fake news analysis in social media includes identifying and categorizing misinformation, assessing the credibility of sources, and studying user engagement patterns with misleading content. It also involves measuring the impact of fake news on public opinion and behavior while developing strategies for mitigation, such as enhancing media literacy.
Problem Statement	
Description	Fake news analysis in social media involves examining the prevalence and characteristics of misinformation shared on platforms. This analysis focuses on identifying false information, evaluating the credibility of sources, and understanding user engagement with misleading content. By investigating these elements, the goal is to develop strategies that promote accurate information and enhance media literacy among users.
Impact	The impact of fake news analysis in social media is significant, as it helps mitigate the spread of misinformation that can distort public perception and influence behavior. By promoting awareness and critical thinking, it empowers users to discern credible information from falsehoods, ultimately fostering a more informed society. Additionally, effective analysis supports social media platforms in enhancing content moderation practices, contributing to a healthier information ecosystem..
Proposed Solution	
Approach	he approach to fake news analysis in social media involves a multi-faceted strategy that combines automated detection tools, manual fact-checking, and user education. By utilizing machine learning algorithms, we can identify and flag potential misinformation while employing human analysts to verify content accuracy.
Key Features	Key features of the fake news analysis include advanced algorithms for real-time misinformation detection and a comprehensive database for assessing source credibility

Resource Requirements

Resource Type	Description	Specification/Allocation
Hardware		
Computing Resources	CPU/GPU specifications, number of cores	T4 GPU
Memory	RAM specifications	8 GB
Storage	Disk space for data, models, and logs	1 TB SSD
Software		
Frameworks	Python frameworks	Flask
Libraries	Additional libraries	scikit-learn, pandas, numpy, matplotlib, seaborn
Development Environment	IDE	Google colab Notebook, vscode
Data		
Data	Source, size, format	Kaggle dataset, 4269, csv

2.3 Initial Project Planning Template

Product Backlog, Sprint Schedule, and Estimation

Use the below template to create a product backlog and sprint schedule

Sprint	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number/ Task no	User Story / Task	Priority	Team Members	Task Start Date	Task End Date (Planned)
Sprint-1	Data Collection	TSk-273803	Download the dataset	Low	Akhi	2024/09/27	2024/08/28

Sprint-2	Understand the data	TSK-273804	Importing the libraries	Low	Akhi	2024/09/29	2024/09/29
Sprint-2	Understand the data	TSK-273805	Loading the dataset	Medium	Mani Purna	2024/09/30	2024/09/31
Sprint-2	Understand the data	TSK-273806	CounterVectorizer	Medium	Mani Purna	2024/09/31	2024/10/01
Sprint-2	Understand the data	TSK-273807	Tfidf Vectorization for text classification	Medium	Mani Purna	2024/10/03	2024/10/05
Sprint-2	Understand the data	TSK-273808	Inspecting the vectors	Medium	Srija	2024/10/06	2024/10/08

Sprint	Functional Requirement (Epic)	User Story Number	User Story / Task	Priority	Team Members	Task Start Date	Task End Date (Planned)
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273809	Splitting data into train and test split	High	Srija	2024/10/09	2024/10/09
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273810	Training and Testing classification using Sk-learn	High	Srija	2024/09/10	2024/10/11
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273811	Training and testing the "Fake News" model with tfidf vectorizer	High	Roshan	2024/10/12	2024/10/12
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273812	Simple nlp, complex problems	High	Roshan	2024/10/12	2024/10/13
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273813	Inspecting our model	Medium	Roshan	2024/10/13	2024/10/13
Sprint-3	Model Building	TSK-273814	Saving our model	Medium	Roshan, Akash	2024/10/14	2024/10/14
Sprint-4	Building Flask application	TSK-273815	Flask structure	High	Akash	2024/10/15	2024/10/16

Sprint-4	Building Flask application	TSK-273816	Building Flask Application	High	Akash	2024/10/17	2024/10/17
Sprint-4	Building Flask application	TSK-273817	Final UI	High	Akash	2024/10/18	2024/10/18

Screenshots:

DATASET COLLECTION

BACKLOG	IN-PROGRESS	REVIEW	COMPLETE
		<div>TSK-273803</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Download The Dataset</div> <div>Progress(%): 90</div>	

DATASET COLLECTION

UNDERSTAND THE DATA

BACKLOG	IN-PROGRESS	REVIEW	COMPLETE
		<div>TSK-273804</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Import The Libraries</div> <div>Progress(%): 90</div>	
		<div>TSK-273805</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Loading The Dataset</div> <div>Progress(%): 90</div>	
		<div>TSK-273806</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>CountVectorizer</div>	

DATASET COLLECTION			
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MODEL BUILDING			
BACKLOG	IN-PROGRESS	REVIEW	COMPLETE
		<div>TSK-273809</div> <div>MJ KM GR RS MV</div> <div>Splitting The Data Into Train And Test</div> <div>Progress(%): <input type="text" value="90"/></div>	
		<div>TSK-273810</div> <div>MJ KM GR RS MV</div> <div>Training And Testing A Classification Model With Scikit-Learn</div> <div>Progress(%): <input type="text" value="90"/></div>	
		<div>TSK-273812</div> <div>MJ KM GR RS MV</div> <div>Simple NLP, Complex Problems</div>	

DATASET COLLECTION			
UNDERSTAND THE DATA			
MODEL BUILDING			
BUILD FLASK APPLICATION			
BACKLOG	IN-PROGRESS	REVIEW	COMPLETE
		<div>TSK-273815</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Flask Structure</div> <div>Progress(%): <input type="text" value="90"/></div>	
		<div>TSK-273816</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Build Flask Application</div> <div>Progress(%): <input type="text" value="90"/></div>	
		<div>TSK-273817</div> <div>MJ KM SR RS MV</div> <div>Final UI</div>	

3. Data Collection and Preprocessing Phase

3.1 Data Collection Plan & Raw Data Sources Identification Report:

Elevate your data strategy with the Data Collection plan and the Raw Data Sources report, ensuring meticulous data curation and integrity for informed decision-making in every analysis and decision-making endeavor.

Data Collection Plan:

Section	Description
Project Overview	This project focuses on analyzing and mitigating the impact of fake news on social media platforms. By employing advanced detection algorithms and assessing the credibility of information sources, the initiative aims to identify and combat misinformation effectively. It will also study user engagement patterns to understand how false information spreads, while promoting media literacy through educational resources. Ultimately, the project seeks to foster a more informed online community and support social media platforms in implementing better content moderation practices.
Data Collection Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify social media platforms (e.g., Twitter, Facebook, Instagram) for analysis. Select relevant public datasets on misinformation and fact-checking organizations.
Raw Data Sources Identified	The raw data sources identified for this project include various social media platforms such as Twitter, where the API can be used to collect tweets with specific keywords or hashtags related to misinformation. Facebook provides access to public posts and comments from relevant groups, while Instagram allows for the analysis of image captions and user interactions.

Raw Data Sources Report:

Source Name	Description	Format	Size	Access Permissions
Kaggle telegram	The dataset comprises of news of both real and fake.	Csv	64MB	Public

Data Collection and Preprocessing Phase

3.2 Data Quality Report:

The Data Quality Report will summarize data quality issues from the selected source, including severity levels and resolution plans. It will aid in systematically identifying and rectifying data discrepancies.

Data Quality Report:

Data Source	Data Quality Issue	Severity	Resolution Plan
Kaggle Dataset	Categorical data in the dataset	Moderate	encoding has to be done in the data.

Data Collection and Preprocessing Phase

3.3 Data Exploration and Preprocessing Report

Dataset variables will be statistically analyzed to identify patterns and outliers, with Python employed for preprocessing tasks like normalization and feature engineering. Data cleaning will address missing values and outliers, ensuring quality for subsequent analysis and modeling, and forming a strong foundation for insights and predictions.

Section	Description																							
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Data Preprocessing Code Screenshots

Loading Data

```
df.head()
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		title	text	label
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Data Transformation

```
data.loan_status.unique()
array(['Approved', 'Rejected'], dtype=object)

data.loan_status = data.loan_status.apply(clean_data)

data.loan_status.unique()
array(['Approved', 'Rejected'], dtype=object)

data.loan_status = data.loan_status.replace(['Approved', 'Rejected'],[1,0])

data.self_employed = data.self_employed.apply(clean_data)

data.self_employed.unique()
array(['No', 'Yes'], dtype=object)

data.self_employed = data.self_employed.replace(['No', 'Yes'],[0,1])

thon-input-30-a5f9be13468d:1: FutureWarning: Downcasting behavior in 'replace' is deprecated
```

Balancing the data

```
X = df.drop('label', axis=1)
```

```
y = df['label']
```

```
df = df.dropna()
```

```
messages = df.copy()
```

```
messages.reset_index(inplace=True)
```

```
messages.head()
```

	index		title	text	label
0	0	Trumps says conservative House lawmakers line ...	WASHINGTON (Reuters) - U.S. President Donald T...		1
1	1	U.N. condemns North Korea missile launch after...	UNITED NATIONS (Reuters) - The United Nations ...		1
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Feature Engineering

Attached the codes in final submission.

Save Processed Data

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4. Model Development Phase Template

4.1 Feature Selection Report Template

In the forthcoming update, each feature will be accompanied by a brief description. Users will indicate whether it's selected or not, providing reasoning for their decision. This process will streamline decision-making and enhance transparency in feature selection.

Feature	Description	Selected (Yes/No)	Reasoning
Title	Unique for each news	Yes	For predicting the real or fake news
Text	Main matter for performing nlp and ml models	Yes	For model building
Label	0 or 1	Yes	. The target variable to verify true or fake news

Model Development Phase Template

4.2 Model Selection Report

In the forthcoming Model Selection Report, various models will be outlined, detailing their descriptions, hyperparameters, and performance metrics, including Accuracy or F1 Score. This comprehensive report will provide insights into the chosen models and their effectiveness.

Model Selection Report:

Model	Description	Hyperparameters	Performance Metric (e.g., Accuracy, F1 Score)
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Passive-Aggressive	Passive-aggressive behavior is the indirect expression of negative feelings through actions like procrastination or sarcasm, avoiding open conflict. It leads to confusion and frustration in relationships.	---	Accuracy score=90%
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Model Development Phase Template

4.3 Initial Model Training Code, Model Validation and Evaluation Report

The initial model training code will be showcased in the future through a screenshot. The model validation and evaluation report will include classification reports, accuracy, and confusion matrices for multiple models, presented through respective screenshots.

Initial Model Training Code:

```
## Divide the dataset into Train and Test
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=0)
```

Python

```
count_df = pd.DataFrame(X_train, columns=tfidf_v.get_feature_names_out())
count_df.head(3)
```

Python

	abandon	abc	abc news	abe	abil	abl	abort	abroad	absolut	absurd	...	york reuter	york time	york time report	young	young peopl	younger	youtub	zero	zink	zone
0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.000000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	...	0.0	0.000000	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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3 rows x 5000 columns

Passive Aggressive Classifier - Baseline

Passive Aggressive Classifier - Baseline

```
from sklearn.linear_model import PassiveAggressiveClassifier
classifier = PassiveAggressiveClassifier(max_iter=1000)
```

32] ✓ 0.0s

```
from sklearn import metrics
import numpy as np
import itertools

classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)

pred = classifier.predict(X_test)

score = metrics.accuracy_score(y_test, pred)
print("accuracy: %0.3f" % score)
```

33] ✓ 0.8s

.. accuracy: 0.998

Preprocess and transform datapoint text (true['text'][16888]) and try to predict it based on the model

```
review = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]', ' ', true['text'][16888])
review = review.lower()
review = review.split()

review = [ps.stem(word) for word in review if not word in stopwords.words('english')]
review = ' '.join(review)
review
```

Python

'cairo reuter three polic offic kill eight other injur shoot raid suspect milit hideout giza southwest egyptian capit two secur sourc said friday sourc

```
val = tfidf_v.transform([review]).toarray()
```

Python

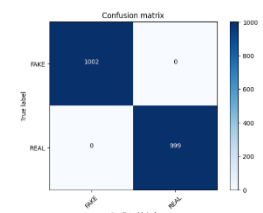
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pd.DataFrame(val, columns=tfidf_v.get_feature_names_out())
```

Python

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1 rows x 5000 columns

Model Validation and Evaluation Report:

Model	Classification Report	Accuracy	Confusion Matrix
Random Forest	<p>Passive Aggressive Cla</p> <pre> 32] ✓ 0.0s from sklearn.linear_model import PassiveAggressiveClassifier classifier = PassiveAggressiveClassifier() from sklearn import metrics import numpy as np import itertools classifier.fit(X_train, y_train) pred = classifier.predict(X_test) score = metrics.accuracy_score(y_test, pred) print("accuracy: %0.3f" % score) 33] ✓ 0.8s accuracy: 0.998 </pre>	90%	<pre> 34] ✓ 0.0s from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix cm = confusion_matrix(y_test, pred) print(confusion_matrix(y_test, pred)) 35] ✓ 0.0s </pre> <p>Confusion matrix, without normalization</p>  <p>Confusion matrix</p> <p>True Label</p> <p>Predicted label</p>

5. Model Optimization and Tuning Phase Template

Model Optimization and Tuning Phase

The Model Optimization and Tuning Phase involves refining machine learning models for peak performance. It includes optimized model code, fine-tuning hyperparameters, comparing performance metrics, and justifying the final model selection for enhanced predictive accuracy and efficiency.

5.1 Hyperparameter Tuning Documentation (6 Marks):

Model	Tuned Hyperparameters	Optimal Values
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5.2 Performance Metrics Comparison Report (2 Marks):

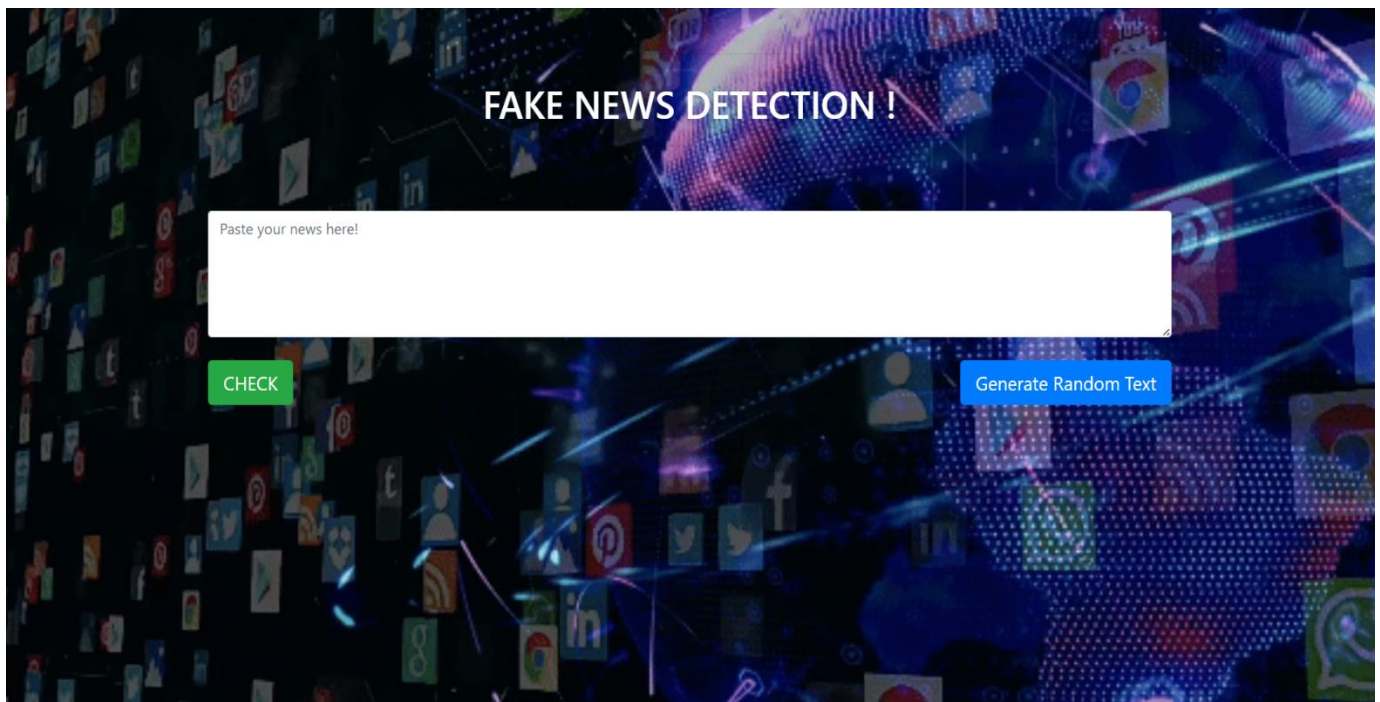
Model	Baseline Metric	Optimized Metric
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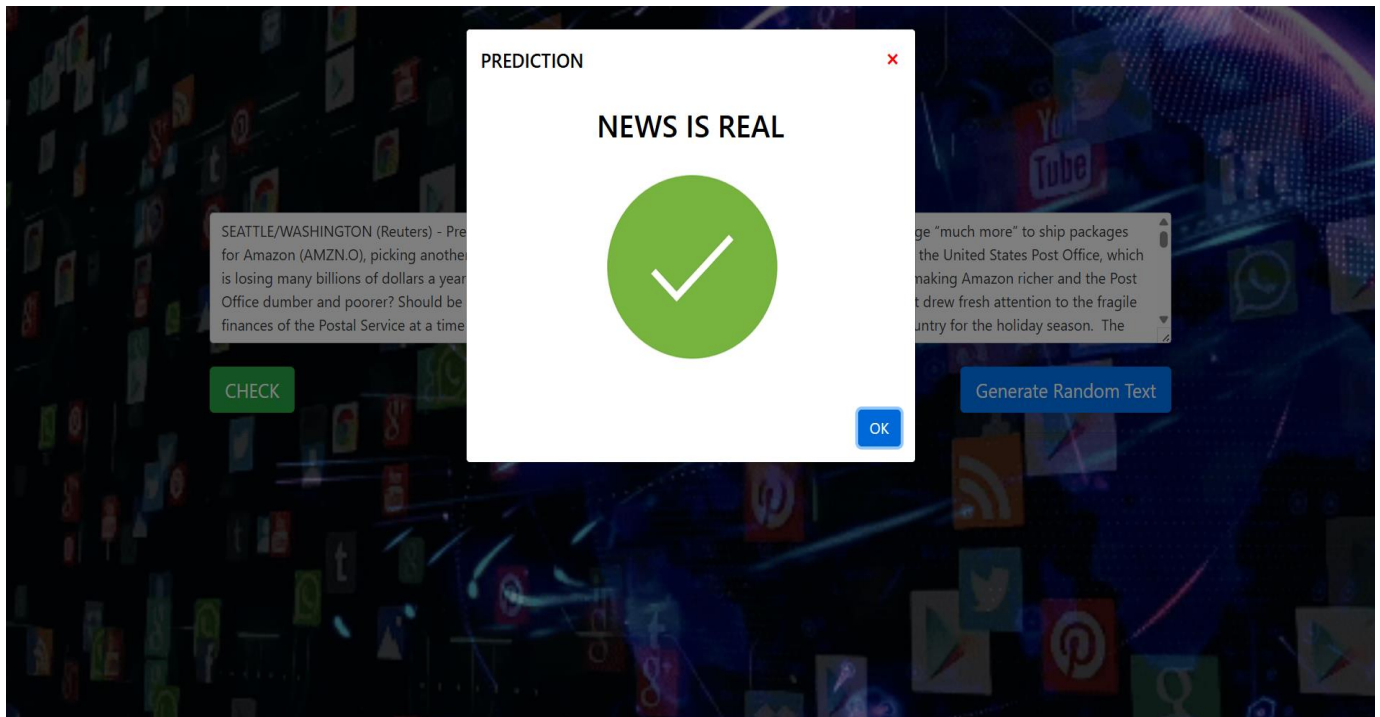
5.3 Final Model Selection Justification (2 Marks):

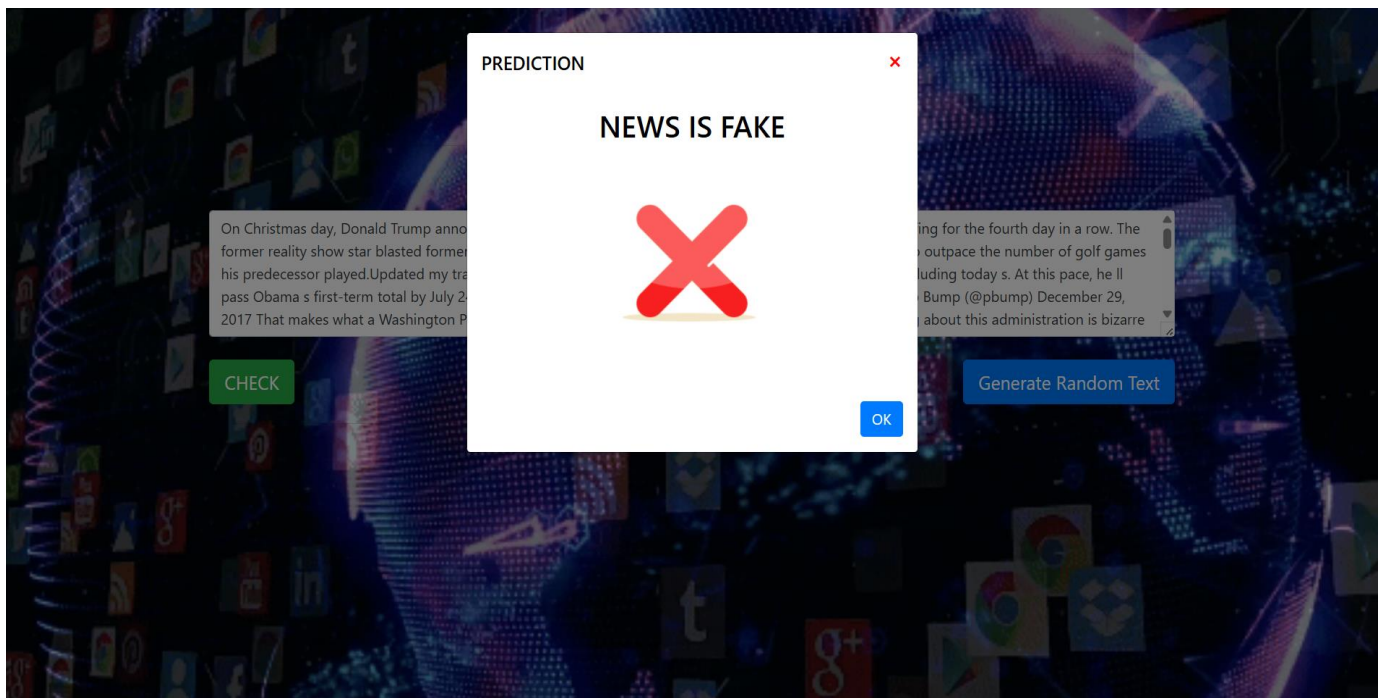
Final Model	Reasoning
Passive-Aggressive	Passive-aggressive behavior is a form of indirect resistance, where a person expresses negative feelings or resentment in a veiled or non-confrontational way. Instead of openly addressing issues, a passive-aggressive person may avoid direct communication, procrastinate, sulk, or give backhanded compliments.

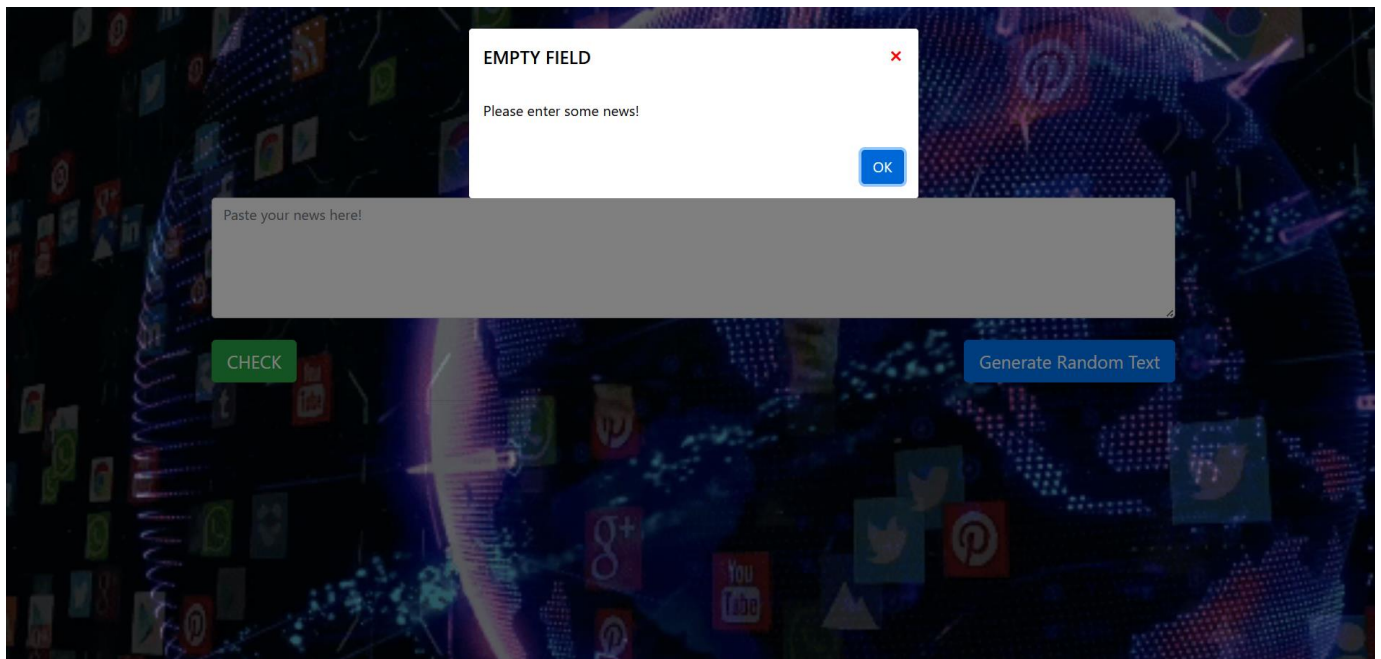
6. Results

6.1 Outputs screenshots









EMPTY FIELD ✕

Please enter some news!

OK

Paste your news here!

CHECK Generate Random Text

7. Advantages & Disadvantages

Advantages

1. Early detection:

Analyzing social media data can help identify fake news early in its spread, before it can reach a wider audience.

2. Understanding trends:

By analyzing fake news trends, researchers can identify patterns and tactics used by those spreading misinformation.

3. Measuring impact:

Fake news analysis can help measure the impact of misinformation on public opinion, social interactions, and even financial markets.

4. Developing countermeasures:

The insights gained from fake news analysis can be used to develop strategies and tools for combating misinformation.

5. Ethical considerations:

It's important to consider ethical implications when analyzing fake news, such as privacy concerns and the potential for unintended consequences.

1. Overwhelming volume:

The sheer amount of content on social media makes it difficult to analyze all of it effectively.

2. Rapid evolution:

Fake news creators constantly adapt their tactics, making it challenging to keep up with them.

3. Subjectivity:

Determining what constitutes "fake news" can be subjective, leading to disagreements and inconsistencies in analysis.

4. Privacy concerns:

Analyzing social media data raises privacy concerns, as it involves collecting and processing personal information.

5. Unintended consequences:

Efforts to combat fake news might inadvertently suppress legitimate speech or create a chilling effect on free expression.

8. Conclusion:

Fake news has become a pervasive problem in social media, with far-reaching consequences for individuals, communities, and societies. Analyzing fake news is crucial for mitigating its harmful effects and promoting a more informed and trustworthy online environment.

One of the primary benefits of fake news analysis is its ability to identify and debunk false information early in its spread. This can help prevent the further dissemination of misinformation and limit its impact on public opinion. By analyzing social media data, researchers can identify patterns and tactics used by those spreading fake news, allowing for the development of more effective countermeasures.

Furthermore, fake news analysis can help measure the impact of misinformation on public opinion, social interactions, and even financial markets. This information can be used to inform policy decisions and develop strategies for combating the spread of fake news. Additionally, the insights gained from fake news analysis can be used to develop strategies and tools for combating misinformation, such as fact-checking websites and educational programs.

However, fake news analysis also presents certain challenges. The sheer volume of content shared on social media makes it difficult to analyze all of it effectively, and the rapid evolution of fake news tactics requires constant adaptation. Additionally, determining what constitutes "fake news" can be subjective, leading to disagreements and inconsistencies in analysis.

Despite these challenges, fake news analysis remains an essential tool for combating misinformation in social media. By investing in research, developing effective tools, and promoting awareness, we can work towards a more informed and trustworthy online environment. This is crucial for protecting public health, maintaining election integrity, and promoting democratic values.

Furthermore, fake news analysis can help measure the impact of misinformation on public opinion, social interactions, and even financial markets. This information can be used to inform policy decisions and develop strategies for combating the spread of fake news. Additionally, the insights gained from fake news analysis can be used to develop strategies and tools for combating misinformation, such as fact-checking websites and educational programs.

However, fake news analysis also presents certain challenges. The sheer volume of content shared on social media makes it difficult to analyze all of it effectively, and the rapid evolution of fake news tactics requires constant adaptation. Additionally, determining what constitutes "fake news" can be subjective, leading to disagreements and inconsistencies in analysis.

9. Future Scope

1. **Advancements in Artificial Intelligence:**

Further develop AI to detect subtle patterns in language, images, and videos that indicate fake news. This could include identifying inconsistencies between text and visuals, or recognizing patterns of misinformation spread by certain individuals or groups.

2. **Integration with Social Media Platforms:**

Social media platforms themselves can play a more active role in combating fake news by implementing features that allow users to report misinformation directly, partnering with fact-checking organizations, and developing algorithms that prioritize credible sources.

3. **Cross-Platform Analysis:** Fake news often spreads across multiple platforms, making it necessary to analyze data from various social media networks and other online sources. Future analysis tools should be capable of cross-platform analysis to provide a comprehensive understanding of the spread and impact of misinformation.

4. **Global Collaboration:**

Addressing the global nature of fake news requires international cooperation and collaboration. Governments, technology companies, and civil society organizations around the world can work together to develop effective strategies for combating misinformation, sharing best practices, and coordinating efforts.

5. **Ethical Considerations:**

As fake news analysis tools become more sophisticated, it is crucial to address ethical concerns such as privacy, bias, and the potential for unintended consequences. Developing ethical guidelines and frameworks will be essential for ensuring that these tools are used responsibly.

6. **Education and Awareness:**

Promoting media literacy and critical thinking skills among the public can help individuals better identify and evaluate information. Educational programs and campaigns can raise awareness about the dangers of fake news and provide tools for recognizing and avoiding misinformation.

7. **Real-Time Monitoring:**

Real-time monitoring of social media platforms can help identify and address fake news as it spreads. This can involve using advanced analytics tools to track the spread of misinformation and alert relevant stakeholders.

8. **Collaboration with Fact-Checkers:**

Partnerships between fake news analysis tools and fact-checking organizations can enhance the accuracy and credibility of misinformation detection. Fact-checkers can provide verified information and context to help algorithms identify and debunk false claims.

10. Appendix

10.1 Source Code

```
from flask import Flask, render_template, request, url_for, Markup, jsonify
import pickle
import pandas as pd
from random import randrange

app = Flask(__name__)
pickle_in = open('model_fakenews.pickle', 'rb')
pac = pickle.load(pickle_in)
tfidf = open('tfidf.pickle', 'rb')
tfidf_vectorizer = pickle.load(tfidf)

# Load random news dataset
data = pd.read_csv("random_dataset.csv") # Ensure you have this dataset

@app.route('/')
def home():
    return render_template("index.html")

@app.route('/newscheck')
def newscheck():
    abc = request.args.get('news')
    input_data = [abc.rstrip()]
    # Transforming input
    tfidf_test = tfidf_vectorizer.transform(input_data)
    # Predicting the input
    y_pred = pac.predict(tfidf_test)
    return jsonify(result=y_pred[0])

@app.route('/generate_random_text')
def generate_random_text():
    index = randrange(0, len(data)) # Get a random index
    random_text = data.loc[index, 'text'] # Adjust column name based on your dataset
    return jsonify(random_text=random_text)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug=True)
```

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">

<title>FAKE NEWS DETECTION</title>
  <link rel="stylesheet" href="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/4.4.1/css/bootstrap.min.css">
  <script src="https://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/3.4.1/jquery.min.js"></script>
  <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/popper.js/1.16.0/umd/popper.min.js"></script>
  <script src="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/4.4.1/js/bootstrap.min.js"></script>
  <script src="https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/bootbox.js/5.4.0/bootbox.min.js"></script>
  <style>
    body {
      background: url('static/background.gif') no-repeat center center fixed; /* Set your GIF as background
*/
      background-size: cover;
      color: white;
    }

    .modal-body, .modal-footer, .modal-header {
      background: #fff;
      border: none;
      color: black;
    }
    .modal-header .close {
      color: red;
      text-shadow: none;
      size: 1.9rem;
    }
    .close {
      opacity: 1;
    }
  </style>
</head>
<body>
  <div align="center" style="margin-top: 50px;" class="container">
    <div class="card bg-transparent">
      <div class="card-header bg-transparent">
```

```

<p id="source" data-text="FAKE NEWS DETECTION !"></p>
  <h1 id="dest"></h1>
</div><br>
<div class="card-body bg-transparent">
  <form><br>
    <textarea type="text" class="form-control bg-dark text-white" name="news" id="news"
placeholder="Paste your news here!" rows="5"></textarea><br>
    <div class="d-flex justify-content-between">
      <button type="submit" class="btn btn-lg btn-success" name="submit"
id="submit">CHECK</button>

      <button type="button" class="btn btn-lg btn-primary" id="generate">Generate Random
Text</button>
    </div>
  </form>
</div>
</div>
</body>
</html>
<script>
  var source = $('#source').attr('data-text');
  var dest = $('#dest');
  function typeWriter(text, n) {
    if (n < (text.length)) {
      dest.html(text.substring(0, n + 1));
      n++;
      setTimeout(function () {
        typeWriter(text, n)
      }, 150);
    }
  }

  typeWriter(source, 0);

  $SCRIPT_ROOT = "{{ url_for('newscheck') }}";
  $(function () {
    $('#submit').bind('click', function () {

```

```
var news = $('#news').val();
    if (news === "" || news === " " || news === "\n" || news === null) {

bootbox.alert({
    size: "big",
    title: "EMPTY FIELD",
    message: "Please enter some news!",
    backdrop: true
});
} else {
$.getJSON($SCRIPT_ROOT, {
    news: news,
}, function (data) {
    var src = (data.result == "REAL") ? "static/success.gif" : "static/fail.gif";
```

```
bootbox.alert({
    size: "big",
    title: "PREDICTION",
    message: "<div align='center'><h2>NEWS IS " + data.result + "</h2><img
style='width:240px;height:232px;' src='" + src + "'/></div>",
    backdrop: true,
    callback: function () {
        setTimeout(function () {
            location.reload();
        }, 100);
    }
});
});
}
return false;
});
```

```
// Handle generating random text
$('#generate').click(function () {
$.getJSON("{ { url_for('generate_random_text') } }", function (data) {
    $('#news').val(data.random_text); // Set the generated text in the textarea
```

```
});  
});  
});  
</script>
```

```
import re  
import nltk  
nltk.download('stopwords')
```

```
corpus = []  
for i in range(0, len(messages)):  
    review = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]', ' ', messages['text'][i])  
    review = review.lower()  
    review = review.split()  
  
    review = [ps.stem(word) for word in review if not word in stopwords.words('english')]  
    review = ' '.join(review)  
    corpus.append(review)
```

```
## TFidf Vectorizer
```

```
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
```

```
tfidf_v = TfidfVectorizer(max_features=5000, ngram_range=(1,3))
```

```
## Divide the dataset into Train and Test
```

```
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
```

```
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.2, random_state=0)
```

```
from sklearn import metrics
```

```
import numpy as np
```

```
import itertools
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
def plot_confusion_matrix(cm, classes,  
                          normalize=False,  
                          title='Confusion matrix',  
                          cmap=plt.cm.Blues):  
    """
```

```
    """
```

See full source and example:

http://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/model_selection/plot_confusion_matrix.html

This function prints and plots the confusion matrix.

Normalization can be applied by setting `normalize=True`.

```
"""
```

```
plt.imshow(cm, interpolation='nearest', cmap=cmap)
```

```
plt.title(title)
```

```
plt.colorbar()
```

```
tick_marks = np.arange(len(classes))
```

```
plt.xticks(tick_marks, classes, rotation=45)
```

```
plt.yticks(tick_marks, classes)
```

```
if normalize:
```

```
    cm = cm.astype('float') / cm.sum(axis=1)[:, np.newaxis]
```

```
    print("Normalized confusion matrix")
```

```
else:
```

```
    print('Confusion matrix, without normalization')
```

```
thresh = cm.max() / 2.
```

```
for i, j in itertools.product(range(cm.shape[0]), range(cm.shape[1])):
```

```
    plt.text(j, i, cm[i, j],
```

```
            horizontalalignment="center",
```

```
            color="white" if cm[i, j] > thresh else "black")
```

10.2 GitHub & Project Demo Link

<https://github.com/Mohan-Akash/Fake-News-Analysis-in-Social-Media>