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**Enhancing Media Credibility with Machine Learning-Based Fake News Detection**

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# Introduction

- Social media platforms and online news outlets enable the rapid spread of information; however, they also create opportunities for the dissemination of false or misleading content.
- To address this growing concern, Machine Learning (ML) techniques are utilized for automated fake news detection.
- Models such as Support Vector Machine (SVM) and Logistic Regression effectively analyze textual data to identify linguistic patterns, semantic inconsistencies, and deceptive cues that indicate fake news.
- These algorithms help in improving content verification processes, thereby minimizing the influence of misinformation.
- The implementation of ML-based detection systems enhances the credibility, accuracy, and trustworthiness of online information shared across digital platforms.

# Objectives



- To develop an automated fake news detection system utilizing machine learning algorithms and deep learning models for accurate classification of news as real or fake.
- Model Training:  
To train and optimize a language-independent or multilingual machine learning model capable of detecting fake news across multiple non-English languages using diverse datasets.
- User Interface Development:  
To design a user-friendly web or mobile interface that integrates with the trained ML model, allowing users to input news articles or text and instantly receive predictions on their authenticity.

# Literature Survey

SL NO	Name of the Research paper and Year	Methods/ Algorithms Used	Work carried Out and Results	Future Work
1	MCWDST: A Minimum-Cost Weighted Directed Spanning Tree Algorithm for Real-Time Fake News Mitigation in Social Media.(2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Fake News Detection- Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)- 3BiLSTM Fake News.</li><li>- Mitigation-Minimum Cost Weighted Directed Spanning Tree- (MCWDST).</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Developed two deep learning models:CNN-3BiLSTM Trained on 4 real-world datasets.</li><li>- Detection Accuracy:98.37% on FNC dataset</li><li>96.38% on Kaggle dataset</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Transformer and graph-based embeddings improve fake news detection by enabling contextual understanding and real-time network-aware analysis.</li></ul>

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2	Fake News Stance Detection Using Deep Learning Architecture (CNN-LSTM)(2020).	- CNN-LSTM hybrid model combines (CNN) and (LSTM) for stance detection.	- Proposed a CNN-LSTM hybrid model for fake newsstance. Tested the model on the Fake News Challenge (FNC-1) dataset with 75,385 samples. - Achieved 97.8% accuracy using CNN-LSTM . - - Outperformed models like BERT (91.3%), XL Net (92.1%), RoBERT a (93.7%).	Expanding the dataset to include more diverse and multilingual news articles could further improve model generalization.
3	Big Data ML-Based Fake News Detection Using Distributed Learning(2023).	- CNN-LSTM - Big Data ML Paper: Random Forest (RF) - Logistic Regression (LR) - Decision Tree (DT) - Support Vector Machine (SVM)	- Developed CNN-LSTM and ML models for fake newsstance detection using FNC-1 dataset. - Used N-grams, Hashing TF, TF-IDF, and Count Vectorizer for feature extraction. - Ensemble (TF-IDF + LR): 93.78% accuracy, 92.45% F1-score.	Future research can focus on deep, unsupervised, and distributed learning approaches to enhance the accuracy and efficiency of fake news detection.

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4	ArabFake: A Multitask Deep Learning Framework(2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- (MTL) framework for 3 tasks: fake news detection, categorization, and risk prediction.</li> <li>- Pretrained model: MARBERTv2 (based on Arabic tweets)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Developed ArabFake Dataset with 2,495 manually labeled Arabic news articles.</li> <li>- Achieved F1 scores: 94.12% (detection), 84.92% (categorization), 88.91% (risk assessment).</li> </ul>	Future work includes expanding Arabic dialects, adding multimodal analysis, and improving model explainability.
5	Fake News Detection Using Deep Learning (2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RNNs: Sequential modeling.</li> <li>- LSTM, GRU, BiLSTM: Contextual understanding.</li> <li>- Hybrid Models: CNN+LSTM, CNN+BiLSTM.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Datasets: LIAR, ISOT, PHEME, FakeNewsNet, BuzzFeed, PolitiFact.</li> <li>- Top-performing models: BiLSTM and BERT-based architectures achieved up to 99% accuracy.</li> </ul>	<p>Multilingual Detection: Extend beyond English language data.</p> <p>Explainability: Enhance model interpretability.- Real-time Detection: Enable live platform integration.</p>

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6	Advancing Fake News Detection: Hybrid Deep Learning With Fast Text and Explain(2024)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ML models: SVM, DT, LR, RF, XGBoost.</li> <li>- DL models: LSTM, BiLSTM, GRU, CNN-LSTM.</li> <li>- Transformer models: BERT, RoBERTa, XLNet.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Datasets used: WELFake, FakeNewsNet, FakeNewsPrediction.</li> <li>- CNN-LSTM model with FastText embeddings achieved best performance (F1-score up to 0.99).</li> </ul>	<p>Explore multilingual detection using models like mBERT, mT5, GPT.</p> <p>Expand to multi-label classification.</p> <p>Apply adversarial training to improve model robustness.</p>
7	Deep vs. Shallow: A Comparative Study of Machine Learning and Deep Learning Approaches for Fake Health News Detection(2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Machine Learning AdaBoost Random Forest,CBM &amp; FBM categories.</li> <li>- Deep Learning Models:CNN-LSTM, Hybrid CNN-BiLSTM.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Focuses on identifying fake news in the healthcare domain.</li> <li>- Deep Learning Accuracy:Hybrid CNN-LSTM F1 Score: 98.7%, Accuracy: 98.2%,Hybrid CNN-BiLSTM → F1 Score: 94%.</li> <li>- Machine Learning Accuracy:AdaBoost + Random Forest → F1 Score: 98.9%.</li> </ul>	<p>The inclusion of additional linguistic, semantic, and network-related features, along with multilingual datasets, could further enhance fake news detection across various domains.</p>

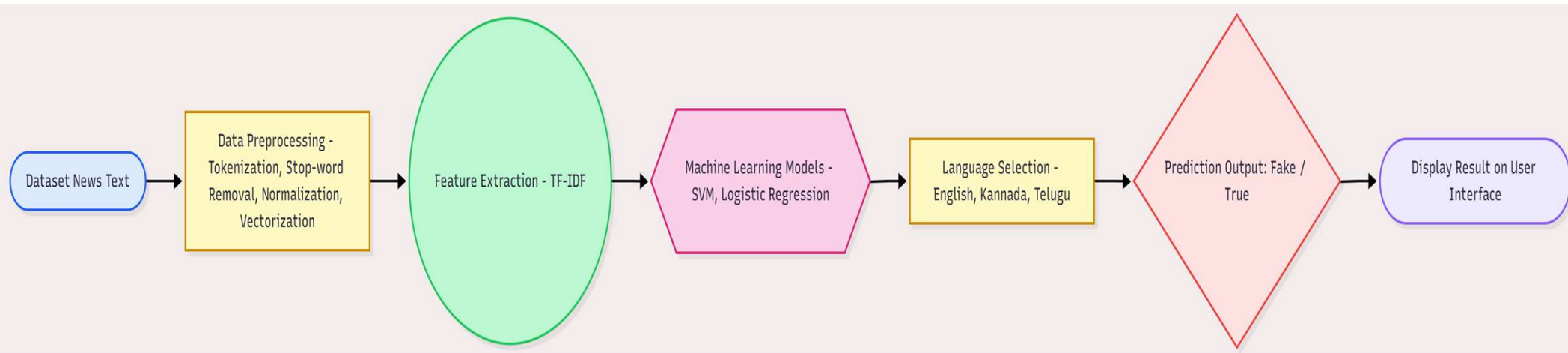


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8	Constructing a User-Centered Fake News Detection Model Using Classification Algorithms in Machine Learning Techniques(2023).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support Vector Machine (SVM)</li> <li>- (RF), Classification and Regression Tree (CART)</li> <li>- Neural Network (NNET).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The proposed model leverages social capital to improve detection performance.</li> <li>- The (RF) algorithm achieved the highest accuracy: RF:94.1%,Logistic Regression (LR): 93.1%,CART: 98.8%,NNET: (accuracy not specified).</li> </ul>	Integrating multilingual, cross-platform, and cultural features can improve fake news detection accuracy.
9	Utilization Strategy of User Engagements in Korean Fake News Detection(2022).	- K-FANG model (graph-based learning using Graph Neural Networks).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Propose a fake news detection model using user engagement graphs and article content.</li> <li>- F1-Score: 88.5%K-FANG outperformed baseline content-based models by effectively incorporating user engagement.</li> </ul>	Future research will use heterogeneous graphs with more entities, larger datasets, and improved evaluation methods for fake news detection.

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10	A Review of Methodologies for Fake News Analysis(2023 ).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deep learning : RNN LSTM- CNN ,MCNN-TFW ,Bi LSTM,TI-CNN,</li> <li>- Machine learning : SVM, random forest,Bayesian modelling.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RNN LSTM- 90.10% accuracy, CNN ,MCNN-TFW :88.82 % accuracy ,Bi LSTM,TI-CNN,</li> </ul>	<p>Use Bayesian modeling for smarter, adaptable fake news detection.</p> <p>Enable fast fake news detection across multiple platforms.</p>
11	OPCNN-FAKE: Optimized Convolutional Neural Network for Fake News Detection(2021)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deep Learning models: RNN, LSTM</li> <li>- Machine Learning models: Decision Tree, Logistic Regression, Random Forest , Naive Bayes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A CNN-based model optimized for high accuracy in fake news detection</li> <li>- Dataset1 (Kaggle): Accuracy = 97.84%, F1 = 97.84%</li> <li>- Dataset2 (FakeNewsNet): Accuracy = 95.26%, F1 = 95.27% .</li> </ul>	<p>Apply OPCNN-FAKE to COVID-19 fake news detection. Incorporate multimodal data . Expand datasets to multi-language support.</p>

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12	A Novel Temporal Footprints-Based Framework for Fake News Detection.(2024 )	-Machine Learning 1.Random Forest 2.Decision Tree 3. Support Vector 4.Machine Naive - Bayes Deep Learning (DL) - (Long Short-Term Memory) - 98% accuracy ,F1 score =0.97%.	- A novel framework uses both temporal and textual features, showing temporal data alone can help detect fake news.  - Bi-LSTM model achieves near-perfect accuracy, emphasizing context- and time-aware detection.  - (Long Short-Term Memory) - 98% accuracy ,F1 score =0.97%.	Social network and user behavior as additional features Develop real time fake news detection system for deployment on news platforms. Improve temporal feature extraction to capture time references .

# SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE



**Fig 1 : SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE**

- Dataset (News Text):**

The system begins with collecting raw news articles or text data from various sources.

- Data Preprocessing:**

Involves cleaning and preparing the text through steps like tokenization, stop-word removal, normalization, and vectorization to make it suitable for analysis.

- Feature Extraction (TF-IDF):**

Converts textual data into numerical form using TF-IDF (Term Frequency–Inverse Document Frequency), which helps identify the importance of words in the dataset.

- Machine Learning Models (SVM, Logistic Regression):**

These algorithms are trained to classify news as fake or true based on extracted features.

- Language Selection (English, Kannada, Telugu):**

Supports multiple languages for a wider application of fake news detection.

- Prediction Output (Fake / True):**

The model outputs whether the given news text is.

- Display Result on User Interface:**

The final result is displayed to the user through an interface for easy understanding and interaction.

# PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

## 1. Algorithms Used in Fake News Detection System

### **Purpose:**

Classifies news articles as Fake or True by finding the best hyperplane that separates the two classes in high-dimensional space.

### **Working Steps (Algorithmic Flow):**

1. Input: Preprocessed feature vectors from the text data.
  2. Map input features into a high-dimensional space (if necessary using a kernel function).
  3. Identify the optimal hyperplane that maximizes the margin between the Fake and True classes.
  4. For a new article, compute which side of the hyperplane it lies on.
  5. Assign class label:
    - Fake if it falls on one side of the hyperplane
    - True if it falls on the other side
- Output the predicted class.

### **Advantages:**

Effective for high-dimensional text data.  
Can handle non-linear classification using kernels.  
Robust against overfitting if the margin is maximized.

## 2. Logistic Regression Algorithm

### Purpose:

Predicts the probability that a news article belongs to Fake or True class.

### Working Steps (Algorithmic Flow):

Input: Preprocessed and vectorized feature vectors.

Compute weighted sum of input features.

Pass the sum through the sigmoid function:

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(wX+b)}}$$

Here,  $Y = 1$  represents True,  $Y = 0$  represents Fake.

Set a threshold (commonly 0.5) to assign class:

True if  $P \geq 0.5$

Fake if  $P < 0.5$

Output the predicted class.

### Advantages:

Simple, fast, and interpretable.

Works well for binary classification tasks.

Outputs probability scores which can be useful for confidence measurement.

### 3.Algorithm Comparison

Feature	SVM	Logistic Regression
Type	Margin-based classifier	Probabilistic classifier
Handles high-dimensional data	Yes	Moderate
Output	Class label only	Probability + class label
Complexity	Higher	Lower
Use Case	High-dimensional text	Simple, interpretable models

#### Observation:

- Both algorithms are effective for fake news detection.
- SVM provides slightly better accuracy on high-dimensional text data.
- Logistic Regression offers interpretability and probabilistic predictions, making it useful for understanding model confidence.



# IMPLEMENTATION

## 1. Dataset Description:

- **Source:** Kaggle – *ISOT Fake News Detection Dataset*.
- **Files:** Separate CSV files for True and False news articles.
- **Languages Supported:**
  - English (original statements)
  - Kannada (statements\_kn column) – translated from English
  - Telugu (statements\_te column) – translated from English
- **Label Column:**
  - Indicates the veracity of the news:
    - 1 → True news
    - 0 → Fake news
- **Data Expansion:**
  - English statements translated to Kannada and Telugu using Google Translate.
  - Dataset now supports multilingual fake news detection.

## Preprocessing Applied:

### 1. Lowercasing :

Converting all text to lowercase to maintain consistency and avoid redundant representations.

### 2. Removal of unwanted characters :

Eliminating punctuation marks, numeric values, URLs, and other non-alphabetic symbols to reduce noise.

### 3. Stopword removal :

Removing common words that carry minimal semantic value for classification in English, Kannada, and Telugu.

### 4. Tokenization :

Segmenting each sentence into individual words (tokens) to facilitate feature extraction and vectorization.

## 2. Algorithm Formulas:

### a) Support Vector Machine (SVM)

#### Decision function:

$$f(x) = w \cdot x + b$$

#### Classification Rule:

$$\text{Class} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(x) \geq 0 \text{ (True)} \\ 0 & \text{if } f(x) < 0 \text{ (Fake)} \end{cases}$$

**Objective:** Maximize margin  $\frac{2}{||w||}$  subject to:

$$y_i(w \cdot x_i + b) \geq 1$$

## b) Logistic Regression (LR)

Sigmoid function:

$$P(Y = 1 | X) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(wX+b)}}$$

Classification Rule:

$$\text{Class} = \begin{cases} 1 & P \geq 0.5 \text{ (True)} \\ 0 & P < 0.5 \text{ (Fake)} \end{cases}$$

Loss function (Binary Cross-Entropy):

$$L = -N \sum_{i=1}^N [y_i \log(P_i) + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - P_i)]$$

## 3. Model Training & Evaluation

- Training:** Models trained separately for English, Kannada, and Telugu datasets.

- Algorithms Used:**

- SVM** – Linear kernel

- Logistic Regression** – solver: lbfgs, max\_iter=100

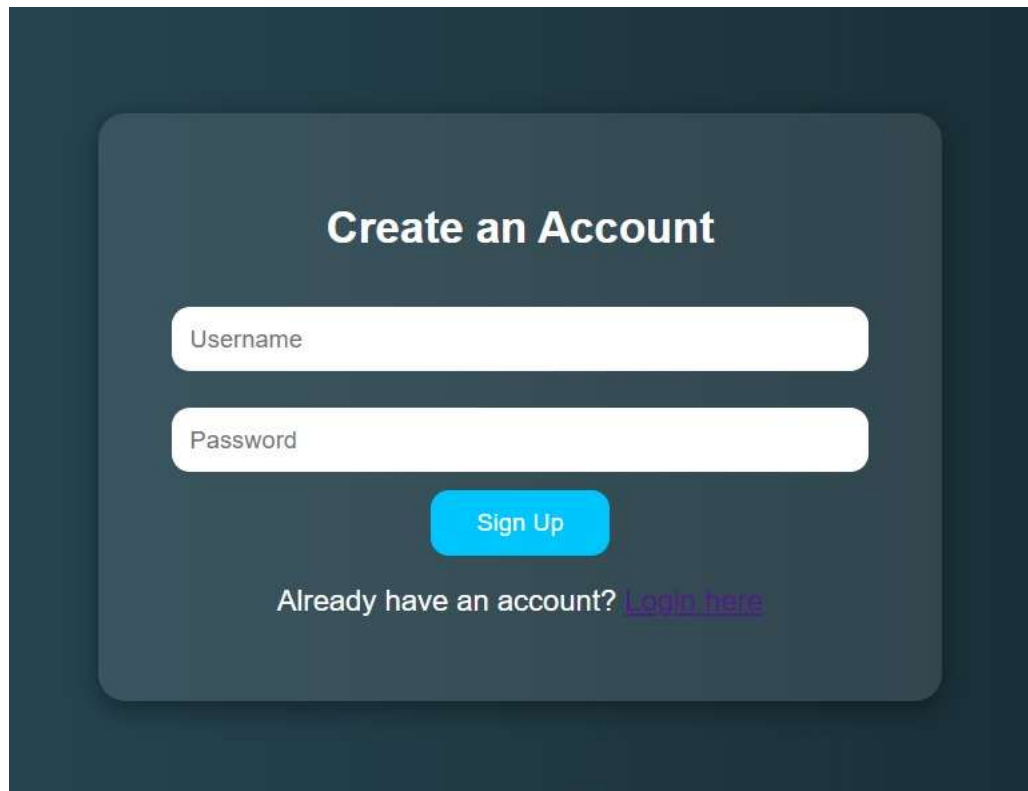
### Accuracy Results:

Language	SVM Accuracy	Logistic Regression Accuracy
English	99.24%	98.52%
Kannada	97.51%	96.63%
Telugu	96.79%	96.22%

### Observation:

- SVM consistently performs slightly better than Logistic Regression.
- Multilingual support ensures high accuracy across all languages.

# RESULTS



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Create an Account

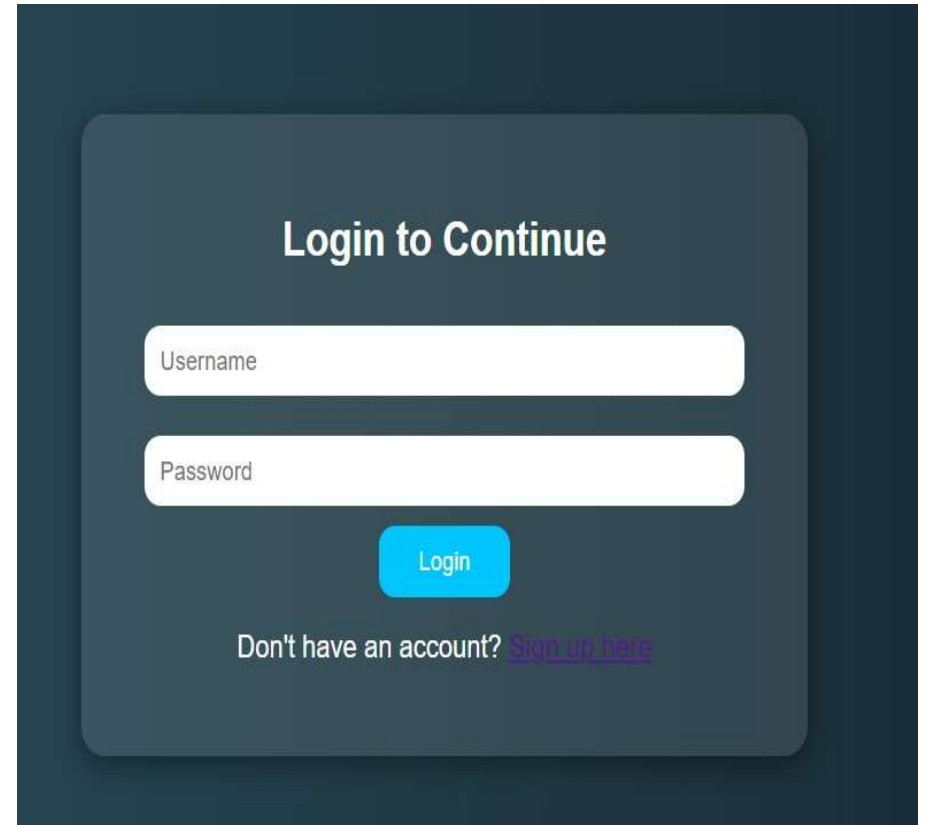
Username

Password

Sign Up

Already have an account? [Login here](#)

**Fig1:Sign Up**



The image shows a 'Login to Continue' form on a dark blue background. The form is a lighter blue rounded rectangle containing two white input fields for 'Username' and 'Password'. Below the fields is a blue 'Login' button. At the bottom, there is a link 'Sign up here' in purple text.

Login to Continue

Username

Password

Login

Don't have an account? [Sign up here](#)

**Fig 2:Login Page**

## Intelligent verification assistant

Enter news text here...

Choose a language:

--Select--

Predict

[Logout Admin Dashboard](#)

FIG 4: Predicting Page

## Intelligent verification assistant

హైదరాబాద్: తెలంగాణ ప్రభుత్వం కొత్త ఐటీ పార్క్ నిర్మాణానికి ఆమోదం తెలిపింది. ఈ ప్రాజెక్ట్ ద్వారా వేలాది యువతకు ఉద్యోగావకాశాలు లభించనున్నాయి. ముఖ్యమంత్రి ఈరోజు సమావేశంలో ప్రాజెక్ట్ వివరాలు వెల్లడించారు. ఈ ప్రాజెక్ట్ వచ్చే ఏడాది లోపు పూర్తికానుంది. రాష్ట్ర అభివృద్ధిలో ఇది కీలక పాత్ర పోషించనుంది

Choose a language:

--Select--

Predict

[Logout Admin Dashboard](#)

Fig 5:texting Page

## Intelligent verification assistant

నిర్మాణానికి ఆమోదం తెలిపింది.  
ఈ ప్రాజెక్ట్ ద్వారా వేలాది యువతకు ఉద్యోగావకాశాలు  
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వెల్లడించారు.  
ఈ ప్రాజెక్ట్ వచ్చే ఏడాది లోపు పూర్తికానుంది.  
రాష్ట్ర అభివృద్ధిలో ఇది కీలక పాత్ర పోషించనుంది.

Choose a language:

Telugu

--Select--

English

Kannada

Telugu

## Prediction Result

**Input Text:** హైదరాబాద్: తెలంగాణ ప్రభుత్వం కొత్త ఐటీ  
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రాష్ట్ర అభివృద్ధిలో ఇది కీలక పాత్ర పోషించనుంది

**Model Used:** Telugu Logistic Regression Model

**Fake News** ✖

[Try Another](#) | [Logout](#)

FIG 5: Language Selection page

Fig 6: Prediction Result Page

**Fake News** ✖

**Model Used:** Telugu Logistic Regression Model

**Fake Probability:** 84.06%

**Real Probability:** 15.94%

[Try Another](#) | [Logout](#)

**Fig 7:Accuracy Result**



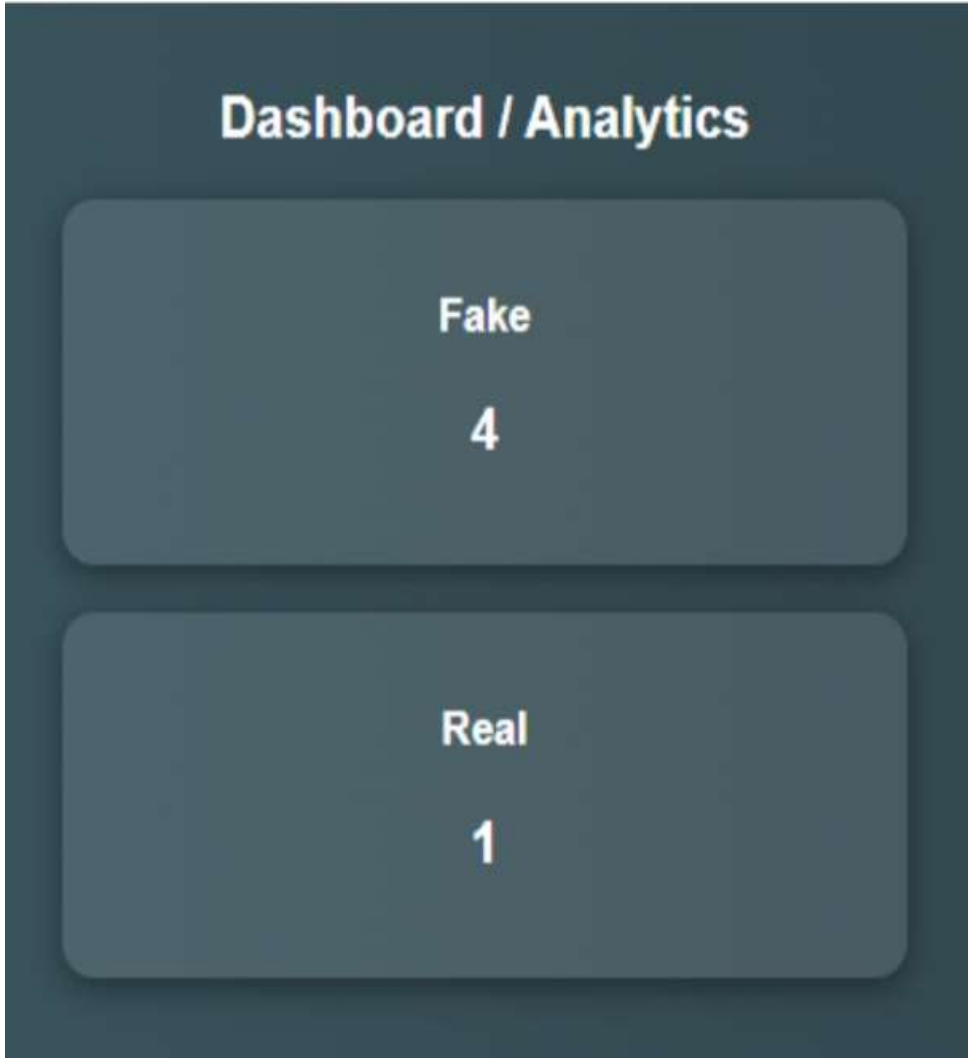


Fig 8: Dashboard



Fig 9: Language-wise Prediction count

# CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

## 1. Conclusion :

- Developed a robust fake news detection system using SVM and Logistic Regression.
- Supports multilingual news detection: English, Kannada, and Telugu.
- Achieved high accuracy across all languages (SVM performing best).
- Flask interface allows easy real-time predictions.
- Modular architecture ensures scalability, maintainability, and flexibility for future enhancements.

## 2. Future Scope :

- **Advanced Models:** Incorporate Deep Learning (LSTM, BERT) for better contextual analysis.
- **Automatic News Updates:** Real-time scraping from news portals and social media.
- **Explainability:** Provide reasoning behind predictions for better user trust.
- **Mobile-Friendly Platform:** Extend to mobile apps for wider access.
- **Language Expansion:** Support additional regional and international languages.

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