

Fake News Predictor

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Dataset

- The dataset used is Liar: A Benchmark Dataset for Fake News Detection from William Yang Wang
 - There are 14 features
 - 20,480 total examples

	ID	label	statement	subject(s)	speaker	speaker title	state	party	barely true	false	half-true	mostly-true	pants on fire	context
0	2635.json	false	Says the Annnies List political group supports ...	abortion	dwayne-bohac	State representative	Texas	republican	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	a mailer
1	10540.json	half-true	When did the decline of coal start? It started...	energy,history,job-accomplishments	scott-surovell	State delegate	Virginia	democrat	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	a floor speech.
2	324.json	mostly-true	Hillary Clinton agrees with John McCain "by vo...	foreign-policy	barack-obama	President	Illinois	democrat	70.0	71.0	160.0	163.0	9.0	Denver
3	1123.json	false	Health care reform legislation is likly to ma...	health-care	blog-posting	NaN	NaN	none	7.0	19.0	3.0	5.0	44.0	a news release
4	9028.json	half-true	The economic turnaround started at the end of ...	economy,jobs	charlie-crist	NaN	Florida	democrat	15.0	9.0	20.0	19.0	2.0	an interview on CNN

Data Preprocessing

- Binary Classification of Label column
- Feature Encoding of State, Party and Label
- Polynomial Degree 3 Transformation

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Label	State	Party	Barely True	False	half-t rue	mostly-t rue	Pants-on fire	Truth-score
Binary and Label Encoder	LabelEncoder	LabelEncoder	-	-	-	-	-	See below

- Label = {'pants-fire':0, 'false':0,'barely-true':1, 'half-true':1, 'mostly-true':1, 'true':1}
- Truth-score = (barely true + half-true + mostly-true) / (total number of statements)

Logistic Regression

Table 2: Results for Binary-Classified Labels

Test	Regularization	Feature Transformation	Features Passed In	Training Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
1	L1	None	Features[2, 3, 4-8]	72.32%	73.1%
2	L2	None	Features[2, 3, 4-8]	73.80%	72.45%
3	L1	None	Features[9]	80.30%	80.43%
4	L2	None	Features[9]	80.30%	80.43%
5	L1	None	Features[2, 3, 9]	79.96%	80.82%
6	L2	None	Features[2, 3, 9]	80.24%	80.66%
7	L1	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2, 3, 9]	80.00%	81.16%
8*	L2	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2, 3, 9]	79.96%	81.77%
9	L1	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2,3,4-9]	73.46%	74.66%
10	L2	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2,3,4-9]	74.05%	76.00%

Logistic Regression with Non-binary classified Labels

	ID	label
0	2635.json	1
1	10540.json	2
2	324.json	3
3	1123.json	1
4	9028.json	2

Test	Regularization	Feature Transformation	Features Passed In	Training Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
A	L1	None	Features[4-8]	32.67%	31.57%
B	L2	None	Features[4-8]	28.05%	27.70%
C	L1	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2,3,4-9]	34.46%	36.23%
D*	L2	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2,3,4-9]	31.96%	32.99%

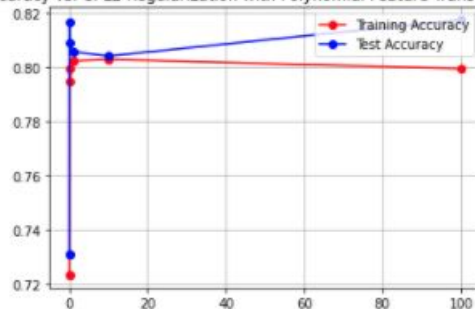
***Test C yielded the best results**

Logistic Regression (best test)

Regularization	Transformation	Features	Training Accuracy	Testing Accuracy
L2	Polynomial Degree 3	Features[2, 3, 9]	79.96%	81.77%

	ID	label	statement	subject(s)	speaker	speaker title	state	party	barely true	false	half-true	mostly-true	pants on fire	context	truth_score
0	2635.json	0	Says the Annies List political group supports ...	abortion	dwayne-bohac	State representative	Texas	republican	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	a mailer	0.000000
1	10540.json	1	When did the decline of coal start? It started...	energy,history,job-accomplishments	scott-surovell	State delegate	Virginia	democrat	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	a floor speech.	1.000000
2	324.json	1	Hillary Clinton agrees with John McCain "by vo...	foreign-policy	barack-obama	President	Illinois	democrat	70.0	71.0	160.0	163.0	9.0	Denver	0.830867
3	1123.json	0	Health care reform legislation is likely to ma...	health-care	blog-posting	NaN	NaN	none	7.0	19.0	3.0	5.0	44.0	a news release	0.192308
4	9028.json	1	The economic turnaround started at the end of ...	economy/jobs	charlie-crist	NaN	Florida	democrat	15.0	9.0	20.0	19.0	2.0	an interview on CNN	0.830769

Accuracy vs. C: L2 Regularization with Polynomial Feature Transformation



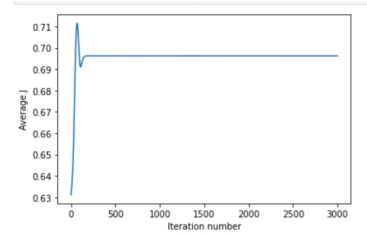
SVM

- Binary classified labels

Kernel	Training Accuracy	Training Accuracy
Linear	79.76%	81.37%
RBF	72.32%	73.08%
Polynomial	72.32%	73.08%

Neural Network

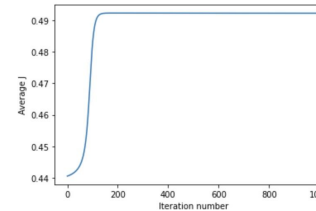
Hidden Layers - 5
Input Layers - 3
Output layers - 2
3000 iterations



Prediction accuracy is 56.27466456195738%

56% accuracy

Neural Network
1000 iterations
1 Output Layer
6 Hidden Layers



43.6% Accuracy

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https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/14kvL_ppbMTA9wY1D_1r7xEGRY2qnv6JDRJRrt0aH0H8/edit#slide=id.gd5164d3991_0_10