

Architectural Flow for AI-Based Fake News Detection Extension

1. User Interaction Layer (Browser Extension UI)

- 1. User reads or opens a news article on any website.
- 2. Extension icon/button triggers automatic or manual scanning.
- 3. Visual feedback: flags article as Real, Misleading, or Fake.

2. Data Extraction Module

- 1. Extract the article content:
 - a. Title
 - b. Body text
 - c. Source URL
 - d. Metadata (author, publish date if available)
- 2. Preprocess extracted text (cleaning, removing HTML tags, tokenization).

3. NLP & Feature Extraction Module

- 1. Apply NLP techniques:
 - a. Text normalization (lowercase, remove stopwords, stemming/lemmatization).

- b. Feature extraction (TF-IDF, word embeddings like BERT, RoBERTa).
- c. Extract linguistic cues (sentiment, writing style, readability).
- 2. Optionally extract named entities or topics for deeper analysis.

4. Fake News Classification Model

- 1. Load your trained AI model (e.g., fine-tuned transformer, LSTM, or classical ML model).
- 2. Input extracted features and output classification:
 - a. Labels such as Real, Fake, Misleading with confidence scores.

5. Fact-Checking API Integration

- 1. Query external fact-checking APIs (e.g., Google Fact Check Tools API, FactCheck.org API):
 - a. Send article claims, title, or summary.
 - b. Receive fact-check verdicts and supporting evidence.
- 2. Cross-validate model prediction with API response.

6. Decision Fusion & Final Verdict

- 1. Fuse AI model output + fact-check API results.
- 2. Apply rules or weighted scoring for final decision.
- 3. Example:
 - a. If model predicts Fake + API confirms falsehood \rightarrow label as Fake.
 - b. If model uncertain but API supports truth → label as *Real*.
 - c. Else → label as Potentially Misleading.

7. User Feedback & Logging

- 1. Display final verdict to the user with confidence and fact-checking details.
- 2. Allow user to provide feedback (agree/disagree).
- 3. Log data for continuous improvement and model retraining.

8. Backend (Optional)

- 1. Maintain a database for:
 - a. User feedback.
 - b. Cached fact-check results for faster future queries.
 - c. Model updates and analytics.

Visual Summary

User Browser Extension UI

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Extract Article Content

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NLP Preprocessing & Feature Extraction

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AI Fake News Classification Model

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Fact-checking API Query

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Decision Fusion & Final Verdict

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Show Result to User

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Collect User Feedback

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Optional Backend Logging