



# FactFinder

Justice League



#### Agenda

- Team Introduction
- > Improvements from professor feed back
- Minimum Viable Product
- > Architecture diagrams
- > Sequence diagrams
- > Sprint 2 Recap
- Product Backlog
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- Metrics
- Retrospective
- Stories planned for sprint 4
- Project demo for sprint 3
- Live application demo







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#### Improvements made from Professor Feedback

- 1. Followed the order of slides as per checklist
- 2. Updated User stories for product backlog
- 3. Improved Metrices slide
- 4. Improved Live application demo



#### **Project Description**

Fact Finder is a web app designed to combat online misinformation by differentiating between fake and real news. Additionally, it can create a summary of the news.

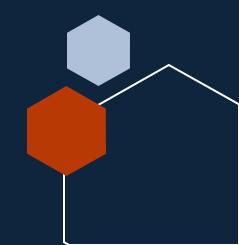
For anyone concerned about online misinformation and facing time constraints for reading news articles. who upload the news article the Fact Finder web app is a web app that use machine learning and deep learning algorithms that can detect misinformation.

**Unlike** believe any information on internet.

Our application verifies the authenticity of information and saves time by creating summaries of articles.

#### **Benefit Outcomes:**

- Ensuring the authenticity of the information.
- Saves valuable time by generating summaries of the articles.
- Contributes to the fight against misinformation.





#### Team working agreement

#### **Team Agreement**

CS691 - Team Justice League (23915)

#### Purpose of the Agreement:

To ensure the successful completion of our collaborative project and foster a positive working environment for all team members.

#### **Team Values:**

- 1. Collaboration: We value open communication and collaboration, encouraging all team members to actively engage in discussions and contribute ideas for the project's success.
- 2. Accountability: Each team member is accountable for their assigned tasks, and if challenges arise, open communication is essential to address and overcome obstacles collectively.
- 3. Transparency: We prioritize transparent communication through various channels to build trust within the team. Keeping cameras on during Zoom meetings is encouraged for meaningful team interactions.

#### Communication:

- The team will utilize Zoom for weekly meetings to facilitate meaningful discussions. Weekly meetings will be held every Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday. Attendance is mandatory, with exceptions allowed in exceptional cases.
- 2. Active participation in meetings is expected from every team member, including sharing ideas, engaging in discussions, and providing updates on individual work progress.
- 3. For immediate discussions, urgent matters, and doubts, a WhatsApp messenger group will be employed.
- 4. Microsoft Sharepoint will be the designated platform for sharing final deliverables, allowing all team members to collaboratively edit documents.
- A shared platform, such as Jira, will be used for project management. It includes designated groups for different roles, facilitating efficient collaboration among Developers, Business Analysts, and the Product Owner.

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#### **Work Division and Participation:**

- Project work will be equitably divided among team members, with equal responsibilities assigned to ensure a balanced workload.
- 2. Timely completion of assigned work is crucial. In cases of potential delays, team members must communicate with their peers to redistribute tasks accordingly.
- 3. Work separation between members is voluntary. However, if a member lacks participation, the Product Owner reserves the right to assign necessary tasks to ensure project progress.
- 4. In the event of a member's absence during meetings, the member pledges to support the decisions made during the meeting.

#### Team Members:

- Saurabh chaudhary
- 2. Suraj Salunkhe
- 3. Kavita Kamtekar
- 4. Manthan Kale
- Maheswari Vidvadharani
- Rushabh Shingala
- 7. Sai Kumar Tata
- Gayatri Kishor Kulkarni



#### Personas



Background: Maria is a community activist working on social justice issues. She recognizes the role of misinformation in shaping public opinion and wants to combat false narratives that may undermine her advocacy efforts. Maria is motivated to use the web application as a tool to verify information before sharing it within her community.

Age: 35

Occupation: Community Activist

Goals and Motivation: Maria's goal is to empower her community with reliable information. By leveraging the web application, she aims to strengthen the credibility of her advocacy work, foster informed discussions, and counteract misinformation that may be used to undermine social justice causes



#### Personas



Background: David owns a small business that heavily relies on its online presence for customer engagement. He's concerned about potential misinformation impacting the reputation of his business. The web application is crucial for David to verify news and updates related to his industry.

Age: 38

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Goals and Motivation: David's primary goal is to safeguard his business's reputation. By using the web application, he aims to prevent the spread of false information that could harm customer trust and loyalty. His motivation is to maintain transparency and integrity in his business communications.



#### Personas



Background: Michelle is a fitness and health enthusiast who frequently relies on online health-related information. With the abundance of health-related news articles and social media posts, Michelle often encounters conflicting information. The web application is valuable for him to discern between credible and misleading health information.

Age: 31

Occupation: Fitness Trainer

Goals and Motivation: Michelle's primary goal is to maintain a healthy lifestyle and share accurate health advice with her followers. By using the web application, he aims to avoid the spread of misinformation in the fitness and health community, contributing to a more informed and health-conscious online environment.



### **MVP(Minimum Valuable Product):**

- 1) The user will also be able to check news without having Account in FactFinder unless user wants to check his search News History.
- 2) The "Homepage" tab will display a short video of what the Fake news is.
- 3) The user should navigate to "Verify News" tab and post news as a text in the Textbox.
- 4) The user will click on verify news button.
- 5) The system will then generate a response based on our ML model.
- 6) The user will be able to get a response if the news/text posted was Fake or Real.
- 7) The "About us" tab will display explanation of the website, what it does and how it works.
- 8) The user can Register with email-ID and password and user should able to click on submit button to get register successfully.
- 9) The user should Login with email-ID and password.
- 10)Users can chat with like-minded people and discuss about any latest news for more information

### Technologies

1.FrontEnd: JavaScript, HTML5, CSS.



2.Framework: React, Flask.





3.Backend : Python



4.Database : NoSQL, Firebase





### Algorithms

Machine Learning Algorithms (scikit-Learn)

Logistic Regression: Supervised learning algorithm for classification.

Recurrent Neural Network(RNN): Ideal for Natural Language Processing(NLP) task.



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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
from sklearn.model selection import train test split
from sklearn.linear model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy score, classification report
import re
import string
# creating another method to process the text
from nltk.corpus import stopwords
from nltk.stem.porter import PorterStemmer
port_stem = PorterStemmer()
def clean_and_lower(text):
    cleaned text = re.sub(r'[^A-Za-z0-9]+', '', text)
    cleaned text = cleaned text.lower()
    cleaned_text = cleaned_text.split()
    cleaned_text = [port_stem.stem(word) for word in cleaned_text if not word in stopwords.words('english')]
    cleaned text = ' '.join(cleaned text)
    return cleaned text
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df['content'] = df['content'].apply(clean_and_lower)
X = df['content']
  y = df['classification']
  X_train, X_test, y_train,y_test = train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.25,stratify=y,random_state=42)
  X_train = vectorization.fit_transform(X_train)
  X_test = vectorization.transform(X_test)
print(y_train.value_counts())
  print(y_test.value_counts())
       17610
       16063
  Name: classification, dtype: int64
       5871
       5354
  Name: classification, dtype: int64
▶ Logistic_model = LogisticRegression()
  Logistic_model.fit(X_train,y_train)
  Logistic_model.score(X_test,y_test)
  0.9865478841870824
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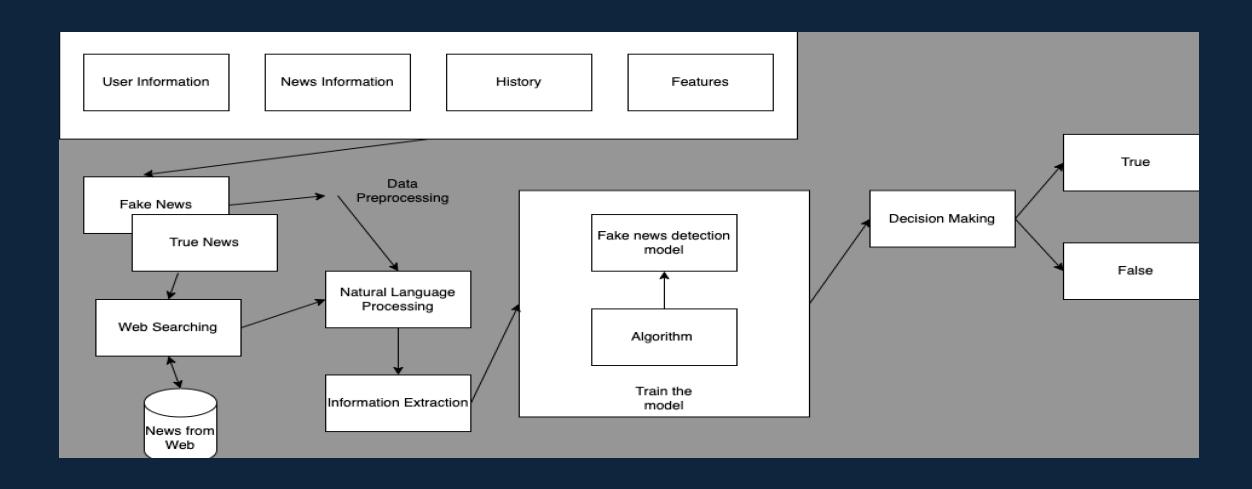
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X = df_main['Text']
y = df main['summary']
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.25, random_state = 42)
#Tokenize input and target summaries
tokenizer x = Tokenizer(num words=1000)
tokenizer x.fit on texts(X train)
X train sequences = tokenizer x.texts to sequences(X train)
#max_input_len = max(len(seq) for seq in X_train_sequences)
tokenizer_y = Tokenizer(num_words=250)
tokenizer y.fit on texts(y train)
y_train_sequences = tokenizer_y.texts_to_sequences(y_train)
#max traget len = max(len(seq) for seq in y train sequences)
X_train_padded = pad_sequences(X_train_sequences, maxlen = 1000, padding = 'post')
y_train_padded = pad_sequences(y_train_sequences, maxlen = 250, padding = 'post')
#encoder
encoder_input = Input(shape = (1000,))
encoder embedding = Embedding(input dim = 1000, output dim = 250)(encoder input)
encoder_lstm = LSTM(256, return_sequences=True, return_state= True)
encoder_output, state_h, state_c = encoder_lstm(encoder_embedding)
encoder states = [state h, state c]
#decoder
decoder_input_data = pad_sequences(y_train_sequences, maxlen = 250, padding = 'post')[:,:-1]
decoder target data = pad sequences(y train sequences, maxlen = 250, padding = 'post')[:,1:]
decoder input = Input(shape=(None,))
decoder_embedding = Embedding(input_dim = 1000, output_dim = 250)(decoder_input)
decoder_lstm = LSTM(256,return_sequences=True, return_state= True)
decoder_output, _, _ = decoder_lstm(decoder_embedding, initial_state = encoder_states)
attention = Attention()
context vector = attention([decoder output,encoder output])
decoder_combined_context = tf.concat([decoder_output, context_vector], axis=-1)
decoder dense = Dense(250, activation = 'softmax')
decoder output = decoder dense(decoder combined context)
RNN_model = Model([encoder_input,decoder_input], decoder_output)
RNN model.compile(optimizer = 'adam', loss= 'sparse categorical crossentropy')
RNN model.fit([X train padded,decoder input data], decoder target data, batch size=32, epochs = 10)
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In [46]: ▶ # Preprocess test data
            X test sequences = tokenizer x.texts to sequences(X test)
            X_test_padded = pad_sequences(X_test_sequences, maxlen=1000, padding='post')
            y test sequences = tokenizer y.texts to sequences(y test)
            decoder_input_test_data = pad_sequences(y_test_sequences, maxlen=250, padding='post')[:, :-1]
            decoder_target_test_data = pad_sequences(y_test_sequences, maxlen=max_traget_len, padding='post')[:, 1:]
            # Generate predictions on test data
            predicted summaries = RNN model.predict([X test padded, decoder input test data], batch size=32)
            In [ ]: •
In [48]: ▶ import numpy as np
             #decoding predicted summaries from sequences to text
            predicted summaries text = []
            for summary sequence in predicted summaries:
                predicted summary = []
                for token_index in summary_sequence:
                    predicted_word = tokenizer_y.index_word.get(np.argmax(token_index))
                    if predicted word is None or predicted word == '<end>':
                        break
                    predicted summary.append(predicted word)
                predicted_summary_text = ' '.join(predicted_summary)
                predicted_summaries_text.append(predicted_summary_text)
            #evaluating the predicted summary to actual summary
            for i in range(5):
                print("Input Text:", X_test.iloc[i])
                print()
                print("Target Summary:", y_test.iloc[i])
                print("Predicted Summary:", predicted_summaries_text[i])
                print()
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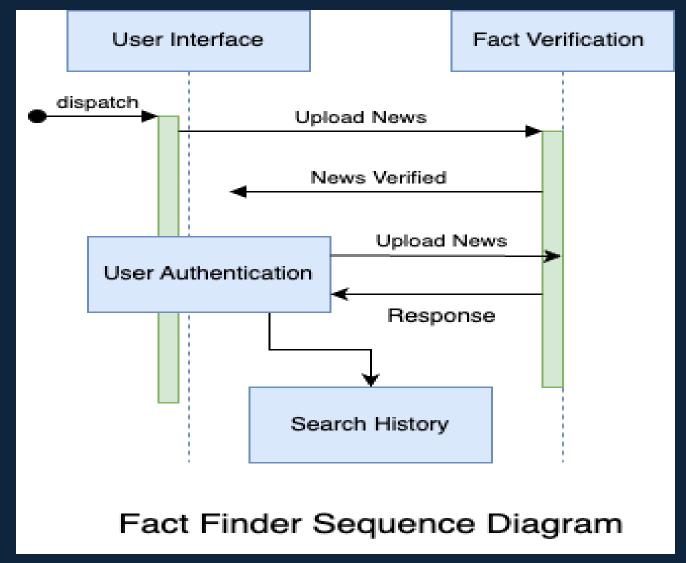


### **Architecture Diagram**



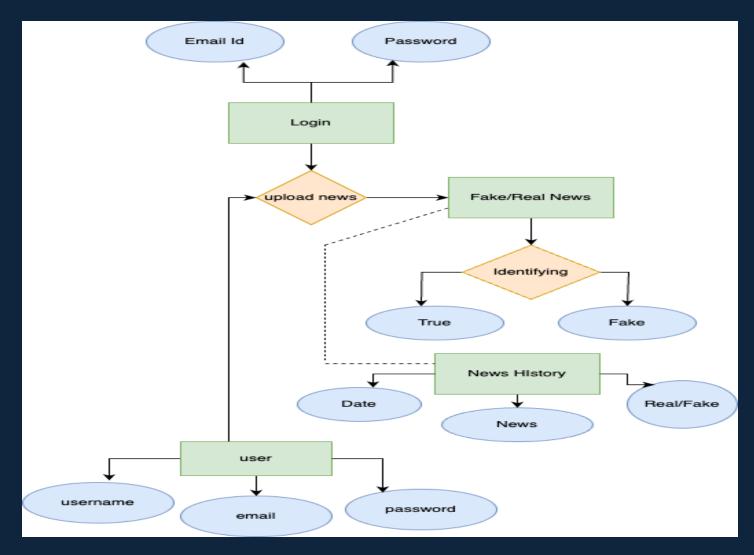


### **Sequence Diagram**





# **Entity-Relation Diagram:**





#### **Sprint 2 Recap**

- Developed ML model.
- Created UI Design (Login and Home page, Search Textbar).
- Created Architecture, ER and Sequence Diagram.
- Created backend to train ML model.
- Tested Backend and frontend functionality.



### Product Backlog Sprint 2

User Story ID	User stories	Acceptance Criteria
FNDJL-4		<ol> <li>Given the login page is displayed, when I enter valid credentials and click the "Login" button, then I should be redirected to the home page.</li> <li>Given the login page is displayed, when I enter an invalid username and valid password, then an error message should be shown indicating that the username is not recognized.</li> <li>Given the login page is displayed, when I enter a valid username and an invalid password, then an error message should be displayed indicating that the password is incorrect.</li> <li>Given the login page is displayed, when I leave both username and password fields blank and click the "Login" button, then an error message should be shown indicating that both fields are required.</li> </ol>
FNDJL-5		<ol> <li>Given a user has made multiple unsuccessful login attempts, when the maximum allowed attempts are reached, then the user account should be locked.</li> <li>Given a locked account, when the user tries to log in, then an error message should be displayed indicating that the account is locked.</li> <li>Given a locked account, when the user clicks on a "Forgot Password" link, then they should be directed to a password recovery process.</li> </ol>

# **Product Backlog**

#### Sprint 2

User stories	Acceptance Criteria
As a new user, I want to register on the website to access	Scenario: Successful Registration
exclusive features and personalized content.	Given that I am on the registration page,
	When I enter valid information (first name, last name, email address, and
	password),
	And click on the "Register" button,
	Then I should receive a confirmation message indicating successful
	registration.
	Scenario: Invalid Email Address
	Given that I am on the registration page,
	When I enter an invalid email address (e.g., without "@" symbol),
	And click on the "Register" button,
	Then I should see an error message indicating that the email address is
	invalid.
As a user, I want to learn more about the application	Scenario: Accessing About Us Page
and its creators to understand its purpose and	Given: I am on the home page.
credibility.	When: I navigate to the "About Us" tab.
	Then: The system should display information about the purpose of the application, its
	creators, and any other relevant details.
As a user, I want to easily find and access contact information	Scenario: Accessing Contact Page
to reach out for support or inquiries.	Given: I am on any tab other than "Contact."
	When: I navigate to the "Contact" tab.
	Then: The system should display contact information or a form for users to get in
	touch.
	As a user, I want to learn more about the application and its creators to understand its purpose and credibility.  As a user, I want to easily find and access contact information



# **Product Backlog**

Sprint 3

can easily input news content for fact-checking.  The interface should be intuitive and easy to understand for users of all backgrounds. Users should receive clear feedback after submitting news content for fact-checking.  The fact-checking process should be optimized for speed and efficiency. Users should receive results within a reasonable timeframe after submitting news content. The website should indicate if there are any delays due to high traffic or other technic issues.  FNDJL-13  As a user, I want to be able to view detailed analysis and sources for fact-checked news articles.  FNDJL-14  As a user, I want to be able to view my search history.  As a user, I want to be able to view my search history.  The analysis should highlight specific reasons for the determination, such as misleadi information or lack of credible sources.  Sources should be clickable, allowing users to verify the information independently.  There should be a dedicated section or page on the website where I can view my sear history.  The search history should be clickable, allowing me to view the details of particular search.  Each item in the search history should be clickable, allowing me to view the details of particular search.  I should have the option to clear my search history if desired.  The search history should be stored securely and only accessible to the user who performed the searches.  ENDJL-15  As a user, I want to have access to a feedback mechanism to report misinformation or suggest corrections for fact-checked news articles.	User Story ID	User stories	Acceptance Criteria
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# Product Backlog Sprint 4

User Story ID	User storiesAcceptance Criteria	Acceptance Criteria
	As a user, I want to have the option to share fact-checked news articles on social media platforms.	Users should be able to easily share fact-checked news articles via popular social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.  Sharing options should be prominently displayed on the website interface.  Shared posts should include a brief summary and link back to the original fact-checked article on the website.
	As a user, I want to receive notifications or alerts for breaking news stories that are being fact-checkedU	Users should have the option to opt-in to receive notifications for breaking news stories.  Notifications should be delivered in a timely manner via email or push notifications.  Users should be able to customize their notification preferences, such as frequency and types of stories.
	As a user, I want to have the option to filter and sort my search history for better organization and retrieval.	Users should be able to filter search history by date range, keyword, or other relevant criteria.  Search history should support sorting options such as by date, relevance, or alphabetical order.  Filtering and sorting options should be intuitive and easy to use.
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# Sprint 3 backlog



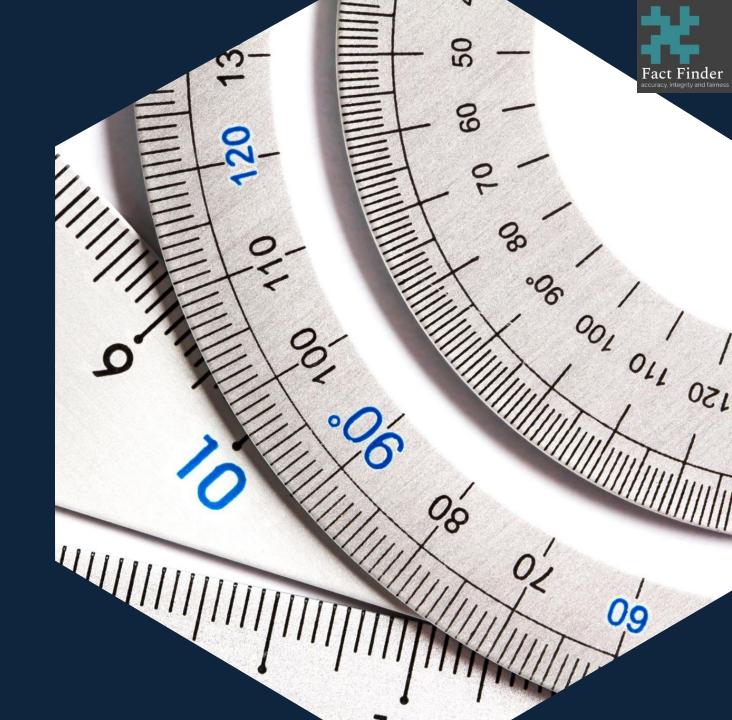
User Story ID	User stories	Acceptance Criteria	Status
	As a user, I want to have access to a user-friendly interface where I can easily input news content for fact-checking.	The input text box should be prominently displayed on the homepage or main landing page.  The interface should be intuitive and easy to understand for users of all backgrounds.  Users should receive clear feedback after submitting news content for fact-checking.	Completed
	As a user, I want to receive fact-checking results in a timely manner, without significant delay.	The fact-checking process should be optimized for speed and efficiency.  Users should receive results within a reasonable timeframe after submitting news content.  The website should indicate if there are any delays due to high traffic or other technical issues.	Completed
	As a user, I want to be able to view detailed analysis and sources for fact-checked news articles.	Along with the determination of whether the news is fake or true, users should be provided with detailed analysis and sources.  The analysis should highlight specific reasons for the determination, such as misleading information or lack of credible sources.  Sources should be clickable, allowing users to verify the information independently.	Completed
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### Test Cases



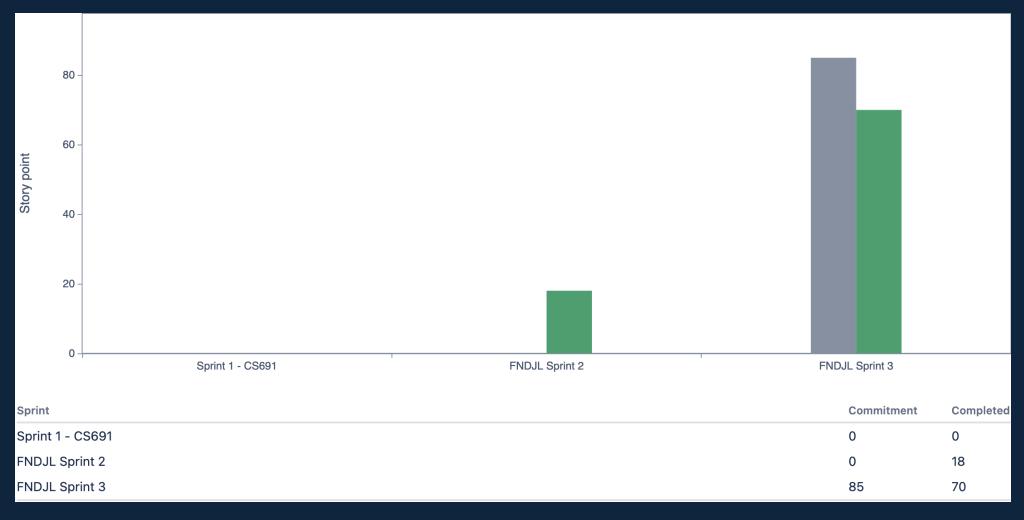
User Story ID	Test Case ID	Name	Objective	Expected Result	Test Data
FNDJL-11	FNDJL-T17	Submit Valid News Content	Verify the system accepts valid news content for fact-checking.	The system accepts the news content for processing. User receives a confirmation message	News Content: A short news article from a reputable source
FNDJL-11	FNDJL-T18	Empty News Content Submission			News Content: Empty text box.
FNDJL-11	FNDJL-T19	Large Text Submission	exceeding a character limit (if content is too long. (Optional: suggest new		News Content: A lengthy news article exceeding the character limit (define
FNDJL-12	FNDJL-T20	Detailed Analysis	Verify the system displays detailed analysis alongside the truth determination for a fact-checked news article.	The fact-checking result is displayed (e.g., True or False). Alongside the result, detailed analysis is presented explaining the reasoning behind the determination. This may include: Highlighting specific phrases or information	N/A (This test uses previously submitted content)
FNDJL-12	FNDJL-T21	Missing Analysis for Fact-Checked Article	Verify the system handles cases where detailed analysis is unavailable for a fact-checked article.	The fact-checking result is displayed. A message is displayed indicating detailed analysis is unavailable due to insufficient information. (Optional: Offer alternative	N/A (This test uses previously submitted content)
FNDJL-14	FNDJL-T22	Search History Display	Verify a user's search history is displayed after submitting news content for fact-checking.	Upon successful submission, the user is redirected to their dashboard. The dashboard displays a dedicated section or page showcasing the user's search history. Each entry displays the date and time of the	N/A (This test uses previously submitted content)
FNDJL-14	FNDJL-T23	Search History Filtiring	Search History Verify users can filter their search history based on specific criteria.	The search history interface provides options to filter entries by various criteria (e.g., date range, keyword).  Applying filters successfully narrows down the	N/A (This test uses previously submitted content)

# Metrics





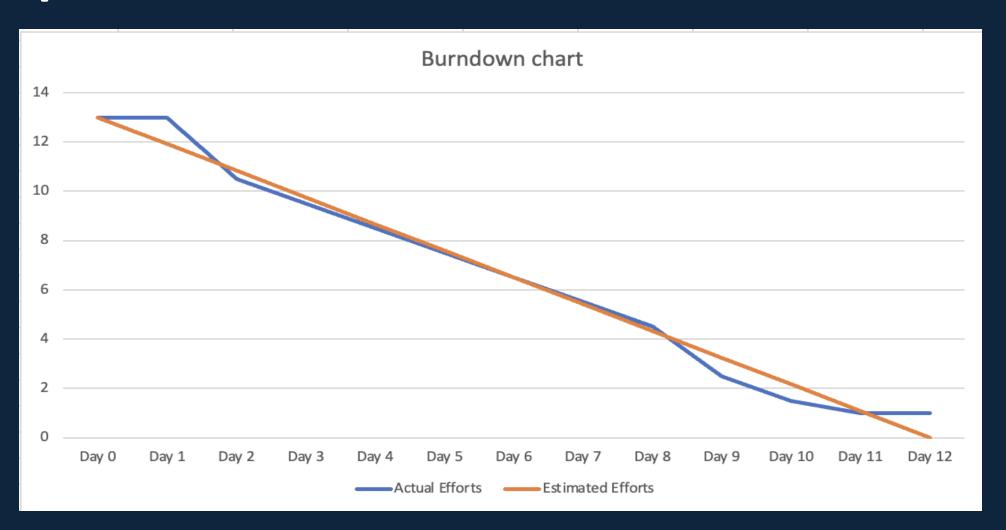




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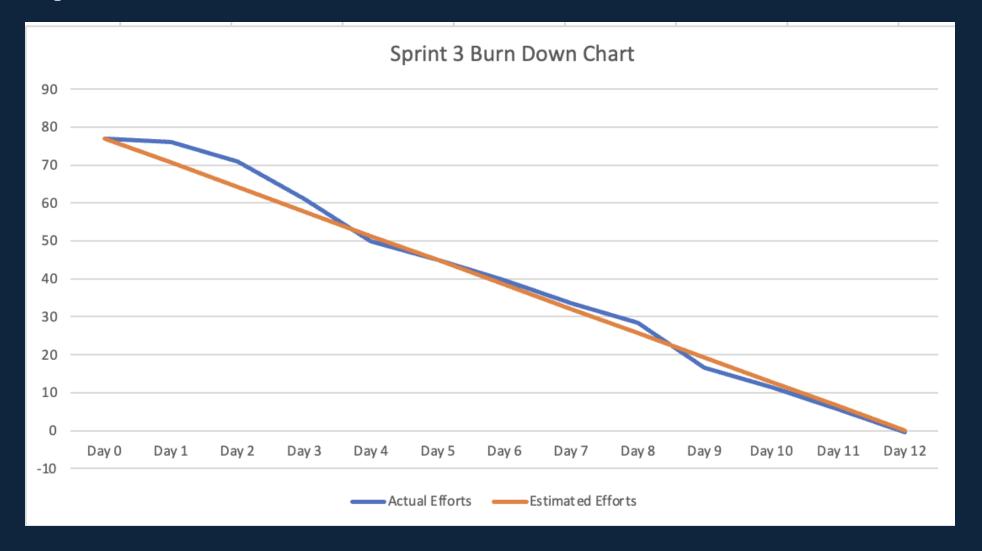


# **Sprint 2 Burndown Chart**





# **Sprint 3 Burndown Chart**



#### Retrospective





refined user stories

Better Communication

We were able

to train are

ML model

successfully.

User Database

BackEnd Connectivity

> Login and Registration

Firebase connectivity

**Good Team** work



What Can be improved

Backend Summary RNN model We had less meetings than required

The UI for chat section can be improved.



Deployment Plan and Manual

calls.

Update Sprint Task Daily

Train and test the RNN model



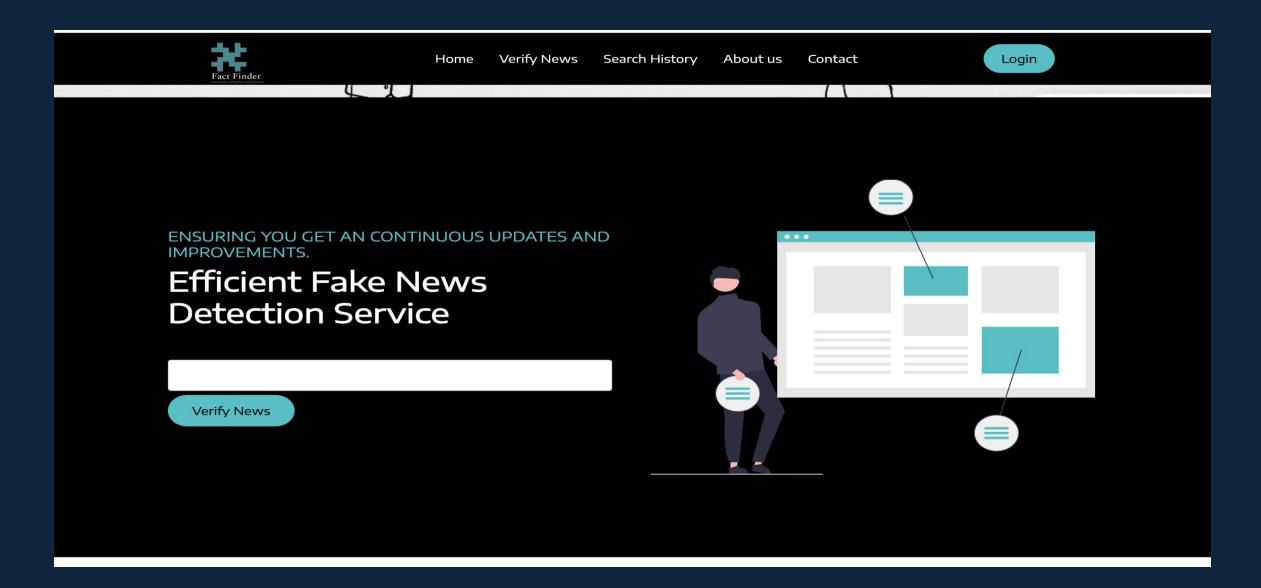
### Stories and Acceptance criteria for Sprint 4

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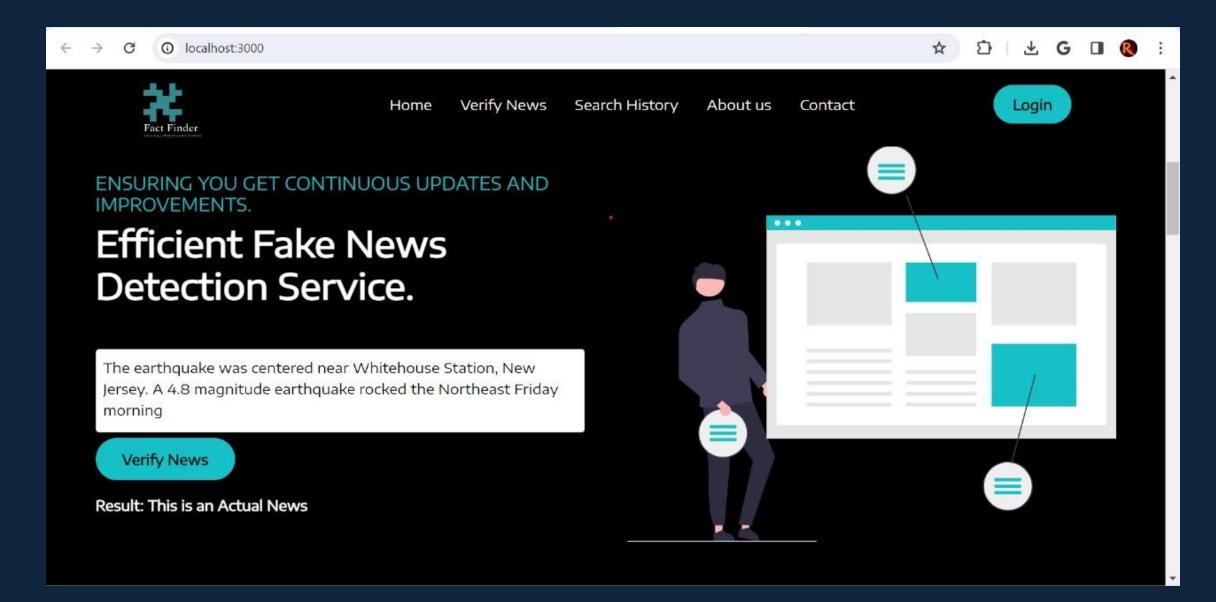






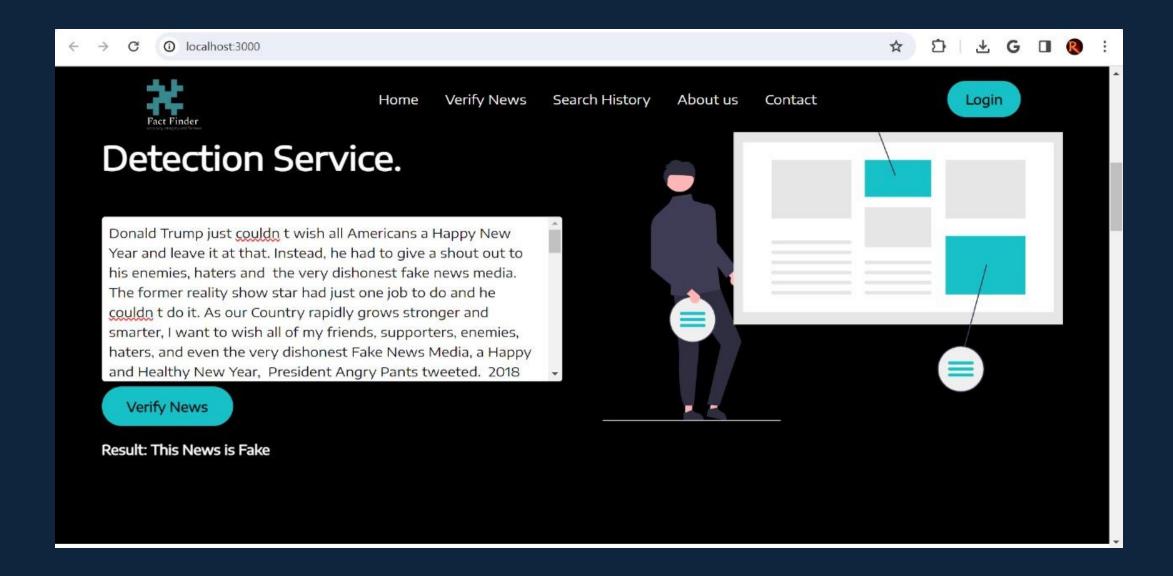






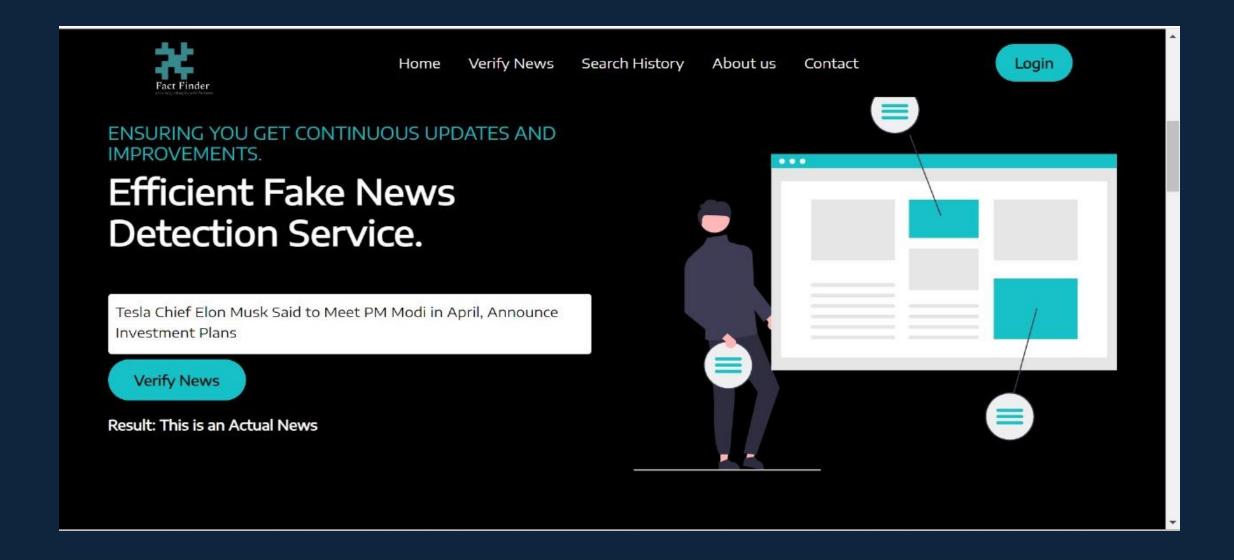






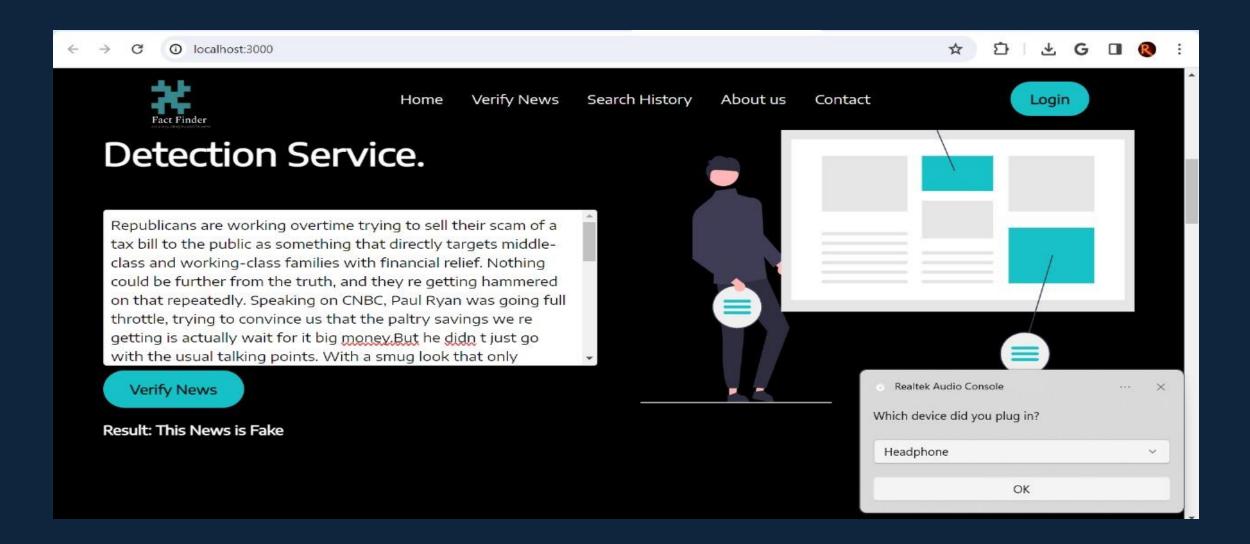
















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#### Our Purpose



#### Accuracy

Fact Finder aims to combat the spread of fake news by providing users with reliable information and analysis.



#### Integrity

By empowering users with tools to discern truth from falsehood, we contribute to fostering a more informed society.



#### **Fairness**

AI/ML algorithms enable the differentiation between genuine and deceptive news through classification.



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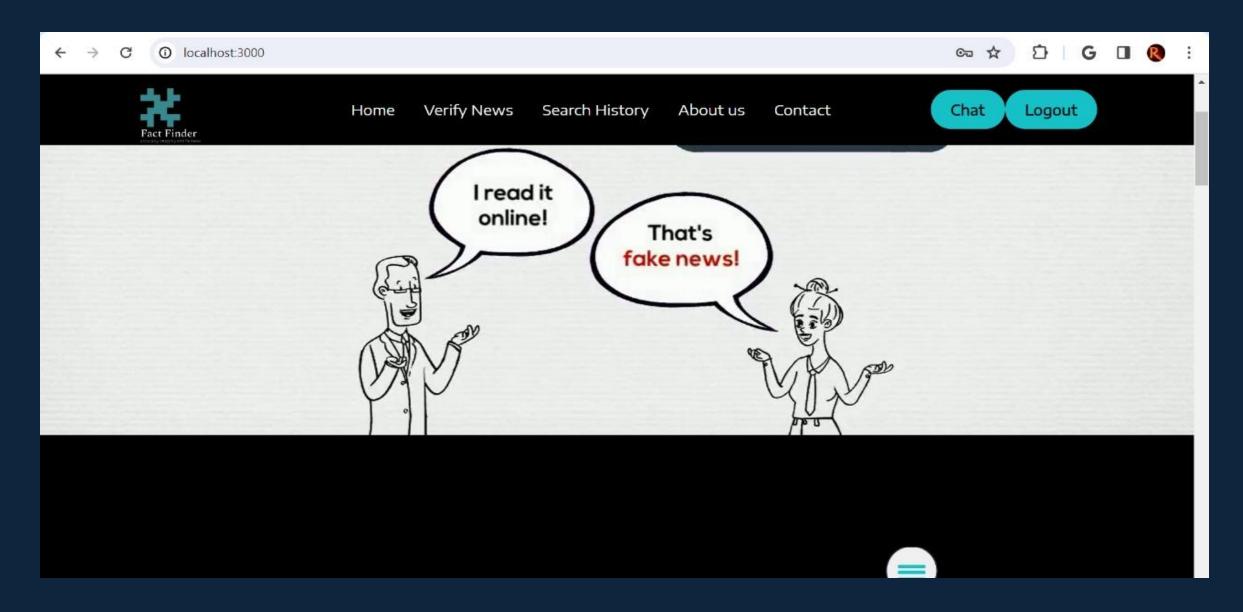




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app = Flask(__name__)
@app.route('/')
def index():
    return render_template('index.html')
@app.route('/process', methods=['POST'])
def process():
    if request.method == 'POST':
        data = request.json['data']
        result = prediction(data)
        return result
def prediction(data):
    news_data = {'news_to_predict': [data]}
    df_news = pd.DataFrame(news_data)
    df_news['news_to_predict'] = df_news['news_to_predict'].apply(clean_and_lower)
    news_X_test = df_news['news_to_predict']
    news_X_test = vectorization.transform(news_X_test)
    result = model.predict(news_X_test)
    if result[0] == 1:
        return "This News is Fake"
    else:
        return "This is an Actual News"
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## API (Cont..)

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if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run(debug=True)
print("all done main.py")
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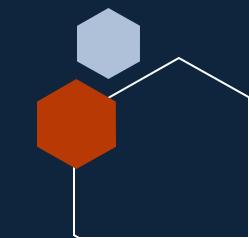
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# **Live Application Demo**









# Thank you

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