Stance Detection in Fake News Challenge (Team 27)

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Dataset Links:

- Train Dataset Link:
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Rs1mJqJzRxAUrCN4JUkh16YaBXT4n4j-?usp=sh aring
- Test Dataset Link:
 - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Rs1mJqJzRxAUrCN4JUkh16YaBXT4n4j-?usp=sh aring

Code Files Structure:

Link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Rs1mJqJzRxAUrCN4JUkh16YaBXT4n4j-?usp=sharing Our project contains only two code files,

- FS_Creation.ipynb
 - This file creates the following features:
 - Negated words.
 - Avg per sentence sentiment (+, -, 0).
 - Number of URLs present in a tweet.
 - Lexicon sentiment of hashtags.
 - length of a tweet without stopwords.
 - No of sentences in a tweet.
 - Average sentence length.
 - Number of positive words.
 - Number of neg words.
 - Number of total hashtags in a tweet.
 - The total number of user tags present in a tweet.
 - The total number of emoji's present in a tweet.
 - Number sentiment avg.
 - Language-Agnostic BERT Sentence Embedding.
 - Universal Sentence Encoder.
- Model Application.ipynb
 - Create various models and compare their results.
- sh fs.py
 - Features created by Shaney
- sr fs.py
 - Features created by Sriza

- stance_detect.py
 - Module to import to find the stance of any given headline and body with 4 models and 4 different feature sets.
- app.py
 - Flask webapp to detect stance for any article given Headline and Body with 4 models and 4 different feature sets.
- templates/*.html and static/*
 - HTML and other supporting files for Flask app.

How to run the code:

Open Terminal or Command Prompt Run the following command

- set FLASK_APP=<path/to/app.py>
- flask run

Trained Models Link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Rs1mJgJzRxAUrCN4JUkh16YaBXT4n4i-?usp=sharing

Output:

We have used various models and then compared their results.

MLP with only BERT feature:

| (19) | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.16 | 0.31 | 0.21 | 295 |
| 1.0 | 0.05 | 0.08 | 0.06 | 88 |
| 2.0 | 0.34 | 0.47 | 0.39 | 701 |
| 3.0 | 0.93 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 5849 |
| accuracy | | | 0.76 | 6933 |
| macro avg | 0.37 | 0.42 | 0.38 | 6933 |
| weighted avg | 0.82 | 0.76 | 0.79 | 6933 |

MLP with (BERT feature + Other features):

| | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| | 0.0 | 0.16 | 0.30 | 0.21 | 295 |
| | 1.0 | 0.33 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 88 |
| | 2.0 | 0.35 | 0.47 | 0.40 | 701 |
| | 3.0 | 0.92 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 5849 |
| accur | acy | | | 0.78 | 6933 |
| macro | avg | 0.44 | 0.43 | 0.41 | 6933 |
| weighted | avg | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 6933 |

MLP with Universal Encoding

| (1 <u>77</u>) | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------------|----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0. | .0 | 0.16 | 0.40 | 0.23 | 295 |
| 1. | .0 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 88 |
| 2. | .0 | 0.29 | 0.39 | 0.33 | 701 |
| 3. | .0 | 0.92 | 0.80 | 0.86 | 5849 |
| accurac | cy | | | 0.73 | 6933 |
| macro av | /g | 0.35 | 0.41 | 0.36 | 6933 |
| weighted av | /g | 0.81 | 0.73 | 0.77 | 6933 |

MLP with Universal Encoding + Other features

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|------------|----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|--|
| 350 | | precision | recall | f1-score | support | |
| 0 | .0 | 0.11 | 0.35 | 0.17 | 295 | |
| 1 | .0 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 88 | |
| 2 | .0 | 0.27 | 0.57 | 0.36 | 701 | |
| 3 | .0 | 0.93 | 0.72 | 0.81 | 5849 | |
| accura | су | | | 0.68 | 6933 | |
| macro a | vg | 0.34 | 0.41 | 0.34 | 6933 | |
| weighted a | vg | 0.82 | 0.68 | 0.73 | 6933 | |
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Random Forest with only BERT Feature:

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|---------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------|
| support | f1-score | recall | precision | |
| 295 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 88 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.0 |
| 701 | 0.15 | 0.09 | 0.47 | 2.0 |
| 5849 | 0.91 | 0.99 | 0.85 | 3.0 |
| 6933 | 0.84 | | | accuracy |
| 6933 | 0.27 | 0.27 | 0.33 | macro avg |
| 6933 | 0.79 | 0.84 | 0.76 | weighted avg |
| | | | | |

Random Forest with (BERT feature + Other Feature):

| support | f1-score | recall | precision | (100) |
|---------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------|
| 295 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.0 |
| 88 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.0 |
| 701 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.50 | 2.0 |
| 5849 | 0.92 | 0.99 | 0.85 | 3.0 |
| 6933 | 0.84 | | | accuracy |
| 6933 | 0.26 | 0.27 | 0.34 | macro avg |
| 6933 | 0.79 | 0.84 | 0.77 | weighted avg |

Random Forest with Universal Encoding:

| 9 | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 3 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 295 |
| | 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| | 2.0 | 0.76 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 701 |
| | 3.0 | 0.85 | 1.00 | 0.92 | 5849 |
| accur | acy | | | 0.85 | 6933 |
| macro | avg | 0.40 | 0.26 | 0.24 | 6933 |
| weighted | avg | 0.79 | 0.85 | 0.78 | 6933 |

Random Forest with Universal Encoding+Other features:

| | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 295 |
| 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| 2.0 | 0.71 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 701 |
| 3.0 | 0.84 | 1.00 | 0.92 | 5849 |
| accuracy | | | 0.84 | 6933 |
| macro avg | 0.39 | 0.25 | 0.24 | 6933 |
| weighted avg | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.78 | 6933 |

SVC with only BERT Feature:

| | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|------------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 6 | 0.0 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 295 |
| 1 | 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| 2 | 2.0 | 0.48 | 0.38 | 0.42 | 701 |
| 3 | 3.0 | 0.89 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 5849 |
| accura | асу | | | 0.83 | 6933 |
| macro a | avg | 0.38 | 0.36 | 0.37 | 6933 |
| weighted a | avg | 0.81 | 0.83 | 0.82 | 6933 |

SVC with (BERT feature + Other features):

| | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 295 |
| 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| 2.0 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 701 |
| 3.0 | 0.84 | 0.99 | 0.91 | 5849 |
| accuracy | | | 0.84 | 6933 |
| macro avg | 0.22 | 0.25 | 0.23 | 6933 |
| weighted avg | 0.71 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 6933 |

SVC with Universal Encoding:

| | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| | 0.0 | 0.23 | 0.25 | 0.24 | 295 |
| | 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| | 2.0 | 0.49 | 0.38 | 0.43 | 701 |
| | 3.0 | 0.90 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 5849 |
| accur | асу | | | 0.84 | 6933 |
| macro | avg | 0.41 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 6933 |
| weighted | avg | 0.82 | 0.84 | 0.83 | 6933 |

SVC with Universal Encoding + Other features

| | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 295 |
| 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| 2.0 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 701 |
| 3.0 | 0.84 | 0.99 | 0.91 | 5849 |
| accuracy | | | 0.84 | 6933 |
| macro avg | 0.22 | 0.25 | 0.23 | 6933 |
| weighted avg | 0.71 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 6933 |

XGBoost with only BERT feature:

| | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| | | | | | 1.1 |
| | 0.0 | 0.20 | 0.08 | 0.11 | 295 |
| | 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| | 2.0 | 0.42 | 0.23 | 0.30 | 701 |
| | 3.0 | 0.87 | 0.95 | 0.91 | 5849 |
| accur | acy | | | 0.83 | 6933 |
| macro | avg | 0.37 | 0.32 | 0.33 | 6933 |
| weighted | avg | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.80 | 6933 |

XGBoost with (BERT feature + Other features):

| support | f1-score | recall | precision | |
|---------|----------|--------|-----------|--------------|
| 295 | 0.21 | 0.30 | 0.16 | 0.0 |
| 88 | 0.16 | 0.10 | 0.33 | 1.0 |
| 701 | 0.40 | 0.47 | 0.35 | 2.0 |
| 5849 | 0.88 | 0.85 | 0.92 | 3.0 |
| 6933 | 0.78 | | | accuracy |
| 6933 | 0.41 | 0.43 | 0.44 | macro avg |
| 6933 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 0.82 | weighted avg |

XGBoost with Universal encoding:

| | | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|----------|-----|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| | 0.0 | 0.26 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 295 |
| | 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| | 2.0 | 0.57 | 0.20 | 0.29 | 701 |
| | 3.0 | 0.87 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 5849 |
| accur | acy | | | 0.85 | 6933 |
| macro | avg | 0.43 | 0.31 | 0.33 | 6933 |
| weighted | avg | 0.80 | 0.85 | 0.81 | 6933 |

XGBoost with Universal encoding + Other features

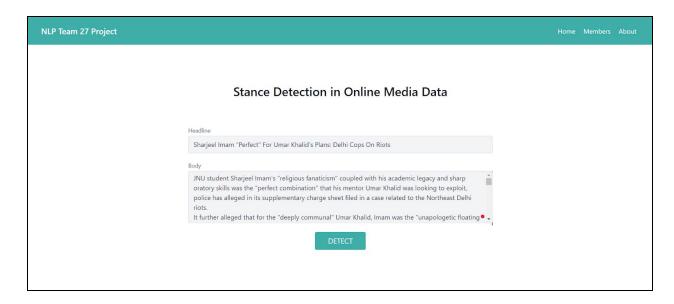
| | precision | recall | f1-score | support |
|--------------|-----------|--------|----------|---------|
| 0.0 | 0.22 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 295 |
| 1.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 88 |
| 2.0 | 0.63 | 0.22 | 0.32 | 701 |
| 3.0 | 0.87 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 5849 |
| accuracy | | | 0.85 | 6933 |
| macro avg | 0.43 | 0.32 | 0.34 | 6933 |
| weighted avg | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.81 | 6933 |

Note: Here, "Other Features" are the features other than BERT and Universal sentence encoder.

Accuracy Comparison For All models(%)

| Feature Set Model | LaBSE | LaBSE+ | Universal Encoder | Universal Encoder+ |
|----------------------|-------|--------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Random Forest | 84 | 84 | 85 | 84 |
| XGBoost | 83 | 78 | 85 | 85 |
| MLP | 76 | 78 | 73 | 68 |
| SVC | 83 | 84 | 84 | 84 |

Screenshot of our Webapp:



Results we got:

Results

We have trained 4 models with 4 different set of features and then comapred their results.

| Model | Features | Stance |
|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Random Forest | LaBSE | unrelated |
| Random Forest | LaBSE + Other features | unrelated |
| Random Forest | Universal Encoder | unrelated |
| Random Forest | Universal Encoder + Other Features | unrelated |
| KGBoost | LaBSE | unrelated |
| KGBoost | LaBSE + Other features | unrelated |
| KGBoost | Universal Encoder | unrelated |
| XGBoost . | Universal Encoder + Other Features | unrelated |
| MLP | LaBSE | discuss |
| MLP | LaBSE + Other features | unrelated |
| MLP | Universal Encoder | discuss |
| MLP | Universal Encoder + Other Features | unrelated |
| SVM | LaBSE | unrelated |
| SVM | LaBSE + Other features | unrelated |
| SVM | Universal Encoder | unrelated |
| SVM | Universal Encoder + Other Features | unrelated |

Note: Here Others features are the features other than LaBSE and Universal Encoder. You can refer our report for the same.