# FAKE NEWS DETECTION USING NNLP (ANALYSIS AND TRAINING MODEL)

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Domain name: Artificial Intelligence

Project: To desing a fake news detection using NLP(Datasets& training model):

What is "Fake News"?

"Fake news" is a term that has come to mean different things to different people. At its core, we are defining "fake news" as those news stories that are false: the story itself is fabricated, with no verifiable facts, sources or quotes. Sometimes these stories may be propaganda that is intentionally designed to mislead the reader, or may be designed as "clickbait" written for economic incentives (the writer profits on the number of people who click on the story). In recent years, fake news stories have proliferated via social media, in part because they are so easily and quickly shared online.

**About Dataset** 

This data set consists of 40000 fake and real news. Our goal is to train our model to accurately predict whether a particular piece of news is real or fake. Fake and real news data are given in two separate data sets, with each data set consisting of approximately 20000 articles.

Fake News Detection with NLP:

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Import Libraries:

import numpy as np import pandas as pd import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import seaborn as sns import nltk import re

import string

from sklearn.model\_selection import train\_test\_split from sklearn.metrics import classification\_report import keras

from keras.preprocessing import text, sequence from keras.models import Sequential from keras.layers import Dense, Embedding, LSTM, Dropout Import warnings:

warnings.filterwarnings('ignore') import os : for dirname, \_, filenames in os.walk('/kaggle/input'): for filename in filenames:

print(os.path.join(dirname, filename))

/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/True.csv

/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/Fake.csv Load and Check Data

real\_data = pd.read\_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/True.csv')

fake\_data = pd.read\_csv('/kaggle/input/fake-and-real-news-dataset/Fake.csv')
real data.head()

title text subject date

As U.S. budget fight looms, Republicans flip t... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The head of a

conservat... politicsNews December 31, 2017 1 U.S. military to accept transgender recruits o... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Transgender

people will... politicsNews December 29, 2017 2 Senior U.S. Republican senator:

'Let Mr. Muell... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The special

counsel inv... politicsNews December 31, 2017 3 FBI Russia probe helped by Australian diplomat... WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Trump

campaign adviser ... politicsNews December 30, 2017 4 Trump wants Postal Service to charge 'much mor... SEATTLE/WASHINGTON (Reuters) -

President Donal... politicsNews December 29, 2017

fake data.head()

title text subject date

Donald Trump Sends Out Embarrassing New Year'... Donald Trump just couldn t wish all

Americans ... News December 31, 2017

Drunk Bragging Trump Staffer Started Russian ... House Intelligence Committee Chairman

Devin Nu... News December 31, 2017

Sheriff David Clarke Becomes An Internet Joke... On Friday, it was revealed that former

Milwauk... News December 30, 2017

Trump Is So Obsessed He Even Has Obama's Name... On Christmas day, Donald Trump announced that ... News December 29, 2017

Pope Francis Just Called Out Donald Trump Dur... Pope Francis used his annual Christmas Day mes... News December 25, 2017

Vatican upbeat on possibility of Pope Francis ... MOSCOW (Reuters) - Vatican Secretary of State ... worldnews August 22, 2017 1

Indonesia to buy \$1.14 billion worth of Russia... JAKARTA (Reuters) - Indonesia will buy 11

Sukh... worldnews August 22, 2017 1

#Merging the 2 datasets data = pd.concat([real\_data, fake\_data], ignore\_index=True, sort=False) data.head()

data.isnull().sum()

Visualization

title 0 text 0 subject 0 date 0 target 0 dtype: int64

1.Count of Fake and Real Data print(data["target"].value\_counts()) fig, ax = p I t . s u b p I o t s (1, 2, figsize = (19, 5)) g 1 = sns.countplot(data.target,ax=ax[0],palette="pastel"); g1.set\_title("Count of real and fake data") g1.set\_ylabel("Count") g1.set\_xlabel("Target")

g2 =

plt.pie(data["target"].value\_counts().values,explode=[0,0],labels=data.target.value\_c ounts().index, autopct='%1.1f%%',colors=['SkyBlue','PeachPuff']) fig.show() 0 23481

1 21417

Name: target, dtype: int64

2.Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data
print(data.subject.value\_counts()) plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5)) ax =
sns.countplot(x="subject", hue='target', data=data, palette="pastel")
plt.title("Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data") politicsNews
11272 worldnews 10145 News 9050 politics 6841 left-news
4459

Government News 1570

US\_News 783

Middle-east 778

Name: subject, dtype: int64

Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Distribution of The Subject According to Real and Fake Data')

Data Cleaning:

data['text']= data['subject'] + " " + data['title'] + " " + data['text'] del data['title'] del

data['subject'] del data['date'] data.head() text target

politicsNews As U.S. budget fight looms, Repub... 1

politicsNews U.S. military to accept transgend... 1

politicsNews Senior U.S. Republican senator: '... 1

politicsNews FBI Russia probe helped by Austra... 1

politicsNews Trump wants Postal Service to cha... 1

first\_text = data.text[10] first\_text

'politicsNews Jones certified U.S. Senate winner despite Moore challenge (Reuters)

- Alabama officials on Thursday certified Democrat Doug Jones the winner of the state's U.S. Senate race, after a state judge denied a challenge by Republican Roy Moore, whose campaign was derailed by accusations of sexual misconduct with teenage girls. Jones won the vacant seat by about 22,000 votes, or 1.6 percentage points, election officials said. That made him the first Democrat in a quarter of a century to win a Senate seat in Alabama. The seat was previously held by Republican Jeff Sessions, who was tapped by U.S. President Donald Trump as attorney general. A state canvassing board composed of Alabama Secretary of State John Merrill, Governor Kay Ivey and Attorney General Steve Marshall certified the election results. Seating Jones will narrow the Republican majority in the Senate to 51 of 100 seats. In a statement, Jones called his victory "a new chapter" and pledged to work with both parties. Moore declined to concede defeat even after Trump urged him to do so. He stood by claims of a fraudulent election in a

statement released after the certification and said he had no regrets, media outlets reported. An Alabama judge denied Moore's request to block certification of the results of the Dec. 12 election in a decision shortly before the canvassing board met. Moore's challenge alleged there had been potential voter fraud that denied him a chance of victory. His filing on Wednesday in the Montgomery Circuit Court sought to halt the meeting scheduled to ratify Jones' win on Thursday. Moore could ask for a recount, in addition to possible other court challenges, Merrill said in an interview with Fox News Channel. He would have to complete paperwork "within a timed period" and show he has the money for a challenge, Merrill said. "We've not been notified yet of their intention to do that," Merrill said. Regarding the claim of voter fraud, Merrill told CNN that more than 100 cases had been reported. "We've adjudicated more than 60 of those. We will continue to do that," he said. Republican lawmakers in Washington had distanced themselves from Moore and called for him to drop out of the race after several women accused him of sexual assault or misconduct dating back to when they were teenagers and he was in his early 30s. Moore has denied wrongdoing and Reuters has not been able to independently verify the allegations. '

Removal of HTML Contents:

First, let's remove HTML content.

pip install bs4

Collecting bs4

Downloading bs4-0.0.1.tar.gz (1.1 kB)

Collecting beautifulsoup4

Downloading beautifulsoup4-4.9.3-py3-none-any.whl (115 kB)

| 115 kB 1.3 MB/s

Collecting soupsieve>1.2

Downloading soupsieve-2.2.1-py3-none-any.whl (33 kB)

Building wheels for collected packages: bs4

Building wheel for bs4 (setup.py) ... - \ done

Created wheel for bs4: filename=bs4-0.0.1-py3-none-any.whl size=1273 sha256=2bea095cbbbc5fb6fc44736f40fce54b119a54eba4fa1dbedd43deddc70fda9 b

Stored in directory:

/root/.cache/pip/wheels/0a/9e/ba/20e5bbc1afef3a491f0b3bb74d508f99403aabe76e da2167ca

Successfully built bs4

Installing collected packages: soupsieve, beautifulsoup4, bs4 Successfully installed beautifulsoup4-4.9.3 bs4-0.0.1 soupsieve-2.2.1

Note: you may need to restart the kernel to use updated packages. from bs4 import BeautifulSoup soup = BeautifulSoup(first\_text, "html.parser") first\_text = soup.get\_text() first\_text

'politicsNews Jones certified U.S. Senate winner despite Moore challenge (Reuters) - Alabama officials on Thursday certified Democrat Doug Jones the winner of the state's U.S. Senate race, after a state judge denied a challenge by Republican Roy Moore, whose campaign was derailed by accusations of sexual misconduct with teenage girls. Jones won the vacant seat by about 22,000 votes, or 1.6 percentage points, election officials said. That made him the first Democrat in a quarter of a century to win a Senate seat in Alabama. The seat was previously held by Republican Jeff Sessions, who was tapped by U.S. President Donald Trump as attorney general. A state canvassing board composed of Alabama Secretary of State John Merrill, Governor Kay Ivey and Attorney General Steve Marshall certified the election results. Seating Jones will narrow the Republican majority in the Senate to 51 of 100 seats. In a statement, Jones called his victory "a new chapter" and pledged to work with both parties. Moore declined to concede defeat even after Trump urged him to do so. He stood by claims of a fraudulent election in a statement released after the certification and said he had no regrets, media outlets reported. An Alabama judge denied Moore's request to block certification of the results of the Dec. 12 election in a decision shortly before the canvassing board met. Moore's challenge alleged there had been potential voter fraud that denied him a chance of victory. His filing on Wednesday in the Montgomery Circuit Court sought to halt the meeting scheduled to ratify Jones' win on Thursday. Moore could ask for a recount, in addition to possible other court challenges, Merrill said in an interview with Fox News Channel. He would have to complete paperwork "within a timed period" and show he has the money for a challenge, Merrill said. "We've not been notified yet of their intention to do that," Merrill said. Regarding the claim of voter fraud, Merrill told CNN that more than 100 cases had been reported. "We've adjudicated more than 60 of those. We will continue to do that," he said. Republican lawmakers in Washington had distanced themselves from Moore and called for him to drop out of the race after several women accused him of sexual assault or misconduct dating back to when they were teenagers and he was in his early 30s. Moore has denied wrongdoing and Reuters has not been able to independently verify the allegations. '

Removal of Punctuation Marks and Special Characters:

Let's now remove everything except uppercase / lowercase letters using Regular Expressions.

first\_text = re.sub('\[[^]]\*\]', ' ', first\_text) first\_text = re.sub('[^a-zA-Z]',' ',first\_text) # replaces non-alphabets with spaces first\_text = first\_text.lower() # Converting from uppercase to lowercase first\_text

'politicsnews jones certified u s senate winner despite moore challenge reuters alabama officials on thursday certified democrat doug jones the winner of the state s u s senate race after a state judge denied a challenge by republican roy moore whose campaign was derailed by accusations of sexual misconduct with teenage girls jones won the vacant seat by about votes or percentage points election officials said that made him the first democrat in a quarter of a century to win a senate seat in alabama the seat was previously held by republican jeff sessions who was tapped by u s president donald trump as attorney general a state canvassing board composed of alabama secretary of state john merrill governor kay ivey and attorney general steve marshall certified the election results seating jones will narrow the republican majority in the senate to of seats in a statement jones called his victory a new chapter and pledged to work with both parties moore declined to concede defeat even after trump urged him to do so he stood by claims of a fraudulent election in a statement released after the certification and said he had no regrets media outlets reported an alabama judge denied moore s request to block certification of the results of the dec election in a decision shortly before the canvassing board met moore s challenge alleged there had been potential voter fraud that denied him a chance of victory his filing on wednesday in the montgomery circuit court sought to halt the meeting scheduled to ratify jones win on thursday moore could ask for a recount in addition to possible other court challenges merrill said in an interview with fox news channel he would have to complete paperwork within a timed period and show he has the money for a challenge merrill said we ve not been notified yet of their intention to do that merrill said regarding the claim of voter fraud merrill told cnn that more than cases had been reported we ve adjudicated more than of those we will continue to do that he said republican lawmakers in washington had distanced themselves from moore and called for him to drop out of the race after several women accused him of sexual assault or misconduct dating back to when they were teenagers and he was in his early s moore has denied wrongdoing and reuters has not been able to independently verify the allegations '

## Removal of Stopwords:

Let's remove stopwords like is,a,the... Which do not offer much insight.

nltk.download("stopwords") from nltk.corpus import stopwords # we can use tokenizer instead of split first\_text = nltk.word\_tokenize(first\_text) [nltk\_data] Downloading package stopwords to /usr/share/nltk\_data...

[nltk\_data] Package stopwords is already up-to-date!

first\_text = [ word for word in first\_text if not word in set(stopwords.words("english"))]

#### Lemmatization:

Lemmatization to bring back multiple forms of same word to their common root like 'coming', 'comes' into 'come'.

lemma = nltk.WordNetLemmatizer() first\_text = [ lemma.lemmatize(word) for word in first\_text] first\_text = " ".join(first\_text) first\_text

'politicsnews jones certified u senate winner despite moore challenge reuters alabama official thursday certified democrat doug jones winner state u senate race state judge denied challenge republican roy moore whose campaign derailed accusation sexual misconduct teenage girl jones vacant seat vote percentage point election official said made first democrat quarter century win senate seat alabama seat previously held republican jeff session tapped u president donald trump attorney general state canvassing board composed alabama secretary state john merrill governor kay ivey attorney general steve marshall certified election result seating jones narrow republican majority senate seat statement jones called victory new chapter pledged work party moore declined concede defeat even trump urged stood claim fraudulent election statement released certification said regret medium outlet reported alabama judge denied moore request block certification result dec election decision shortly canvassing board met moore challenge alleged potential voter fraud denied chance victory filing wednesday montgomery circuit court sought halt meeting scheduled ratify jones win thursday moore could ask recount addition possible court challenge merrill said interview fox news channel would complete paperwork within timed period show money challenge merrill said notified yet intention merrill said regarding claim voter fraud merrill told cnn case reported adjudicated continue said republican lawmaker washington distanced moore called drop race several woman accused sexual assault misconduct dating back teenager early moore denied wrongdoing reuters able independently verify allegation'

Perform it for all the examples

We performed the steps for a single example. Now let's perform it for all the

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examples in the data.
#Removal of HTML Contents def remove html(text): soup = BeautifulSoup(text,
"html.parser")
                return soup.get text()
#Removal of Punctuation Marks def remove punctuations(text):
                                                                           return
re.sub('\[[^]]*\]', ", text)
# Removal of Special Characters def remove characters(text):
  return re.sub("[^a-zA-Z]"," ",text)
#Removal of stopwords def remove stopwords and lemmatization(text):
  final text = [] text = text.lower()
  text = nltk.word tokenize(text)
  for word in text:
                      if word not in set(stopwords.words('english')):
       lemma = nltk.WordNetLemmatizer()
                                                  word = lemma.lemmatize(word)
                          return " ".join(final text)
  final text.append(word)
#Total function def cleaning(text):
   text = remove html(text) text = remove punctuations(text)
                                                                           text =
remove characters(text) text = remove stopwords and lemmatization(text)
return text
#Apply function on text column data['text']=data['text'].apply(cleaning) data.head()
text target
politicsnews u budget fight loom republican fl... 1
politicsnews u military accept transgender rec... 1
politicsnews senior u republican senator let m... 1
politicsnews fbi russia probe helped australia... 1 4 politicsnews trump want postal
service charge ...1
Let's make some visualization with new data.
1. WordCloud for Real News from wordcloud import WordCloud, STOPWORDS
plt.figure(figsize = (15,15))
wc = WordCloud(max words = 500, width = 1000, height = 500, stopwords =
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STOPWORDS).generate(" ".join(data[data.target == 1].text)) plt.imshow(wc ,

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interpolation = 'bilinear')
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f6934fd2750>
2.WordCloud for Fake News
plt.figure(figsize = (15,15))
wc = WordCloud(max words = 500, width = 1000, height = 500, stopwords =
STOPWORDS).generate(" ".join(data[data.target == 0].text)) plt.imshow(wc ,
interpolation = 'bilinear')
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f6934fdd050>
Number of words in each text fig,(ax1,ax2)=plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(12,8))
text len=data[data['target']==0]['text'].str.split().map(lambda x: len(x))
ax1.hist(text len,color='SkyBlue') ax1.set title('Fake news text')
text len=data[data['target']==1]['text'].str.split().map(lambda x: len(x))
ax2.hist(text_len,color='PeachPuff') ax2.set_title('Real news text') fig.suptitle('Words
in texts') plt.show()
The number of words seems to be a bit different. 500 words are most common in
real news category while around 250 words are most common in fake news
category.
N-Gram Analysis
texts = ' '.join(data['text']) string = texts.split(" ") def draw_n_gram(string,i):
    n gram = (pd.Series(nltk.ngrams(string, i)).value counts())[:15]
n_gram_df=pd.DataFrame(n_gram)
                                      n gram df = n gram df.reset index()
n gram df = n gram df.rename(columns={"index": "word", 0: "count"})
                                 plt.figure(figsize = (16,9))
print(n gram df.head())
                                                                     return
sns.barplot(x='count',y='word', data=n gram df)
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Unigram Analysis draw_n_gram(string,1)
word count 0 (trump,) 149603
(said,) 133030
(u,) 78516
(state,) 62726
(president,) 58790
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='word'>
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word count
(donald, trump) 25203
(united, state) 18943
(white, house) 16296
(hillary, clinton) 10217
(new, york) 9305
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='word'>
Trigram Analysis draw_n_gram(string,3)
              word count
(president, donald, trump) 6830
(pic, twitter, com) 6185
(featured, image, via) 6029
(president, barack, obama) 3911
(getty, image, news) 3575
<AxesSubplot:xlabel='count', ylabel='word'>
Modeling:
Train Test Split
X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(data['text'], data['target'],
random state=0)
Tokenizing
Tokenizing Text -> Repsesenting each word by a number
Mapping of orginal word to number is preserved in word index property of tokenizer
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Lets keep all news to 300, add padding to news with less than 300 words and

text.Tokenizer(num\_words=max\_features)

truncating long ones max features = 10000 maxlen = 300

tokenized train = tokenizer.texts to sequences(X train)

tokenizer

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tokenizer.fit on texts(X train)

Bigram Analysis draw n gram(string,2)

X train = sequence.pad sequences(tokenized train, maxlen=maxlen) tokenized\_test = tokenizer.texts to sequences(X test) X test = sequence.pad sequences(tokenized test, maxlen=maxlen)

• Training LSTM Model batch size = 256 epochs = 10 embed size = 100 model = Sequential() #Non-trainable embeddidng layer model.add(Embedding(max features, output dim=embed size, input length=maxlen, trainable=False)) #LSTM model.add(LSTM(units=128, return sequences = True, recurrent dropout = 0.25, dropout = 0.25)) model.add(LSTM(units=64, recurrent dropout = 0.1, dropout = 0.1)) model.add(Dense(units = 32, activation = 'relu')) model.add(Dense(1, activation='sigmoid')) model.compile(optimizer=keras.optimizers.Adam(lr = 0.01), loss='binary crossentropy', metrics=['accuracy']) model.summary()

Model: "sequential"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #	
embedding (Embedd	ding) (None, 300,	100) 1000000	======
Istm (LSTM)	(None, 300, 128)	117248	<del></del>
lstm_1 (LSTM)	(None, 64)	49408	
dense (Dense)	(None, 32)	2080	
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 1)	33	
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Total params: 1,168,769 Trainable params: 168,769

Non-trainable params: 1,000,000

history = model.fit(X train, y train, validation split=0.3, epochs=10, batch size=batch size, shuffle=True, verbose = 1)

Epoch 1/10

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accuracy: 0.7044 - val loss: 1.2749 - val accuracy: 0.5668
Epoch 2/10
accuracy: 0.8452 - val loss: 0.2542 - val accuracy: 0.8987
Epoch 3/10
accuracy: 0.8763 - val loss: 0.2555 - val accuracy: 0.8998
Epoch 4/10
accuracy: 0.8857 - val_loss: 0.2131 - val_accuracy: 0.9171
Epoch 5/10
accuracy: 0.9162 - val loss: 0.1326 - val accuracy: 0.9435
Epoch 6/10
accuracy: 0.9389 - val loss: 0.1308 - val accuracy: 0.9392
Epoch 7/10
accuracy: 0.9695 - val loss: 0.0389 - val accuracy: 0.9860
Epoch 8/10
accuracy: 0.9843 - val loss: 0.0402 - val accuracy: 0.9838
Epoch 9/10
accuracy: 0.9842 - val loss: 0.0400 - val accuracy: 0.9875
Epoch 10/10
accuracy: 0.9886 - val loss: 0.0454 - val accuracy: 0.9828
Analysis After Training print("Accuracy of the model on Training Data is - ",
model.evaluate(X train,y train)[1]*100, "%") print("Accuracy of the model on
Testing Data is - ", model.evaluate(X test,y test)[1]*100, "%")
- accuracy: 0.9843
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Accuracy of the model on Training Data is - 98.42603802680969 %

Fake 1.00 0.97 0.98 5858 Real 0.97 1.00 0.98 5367

accuracy 0.98 11225 macro avg 0.98 0.98 0.98 11225 weighted avg 0.98 0.98 0.98 11225

#### Conclusion:

In an era of information overload, the ability to detect fake news is of paramount importance to safeguard the public from misinformation and its potentially harmful consequences. NLP, with its ability to extract meaning and context from text, plays a pivotal role in this critical endeavor. As the field continues to evolve, research and innovation in NLP techniques will contribute to more accurate and robust fake news detection systems.

Utilizing Natural Language Processing (NLP) for fake news detection is a promising and evolving field with the potential to combat the spread of misinformation and disinformation.

#add column real\_data['target'] = 1 fake\_data['target'] = 0 real\_data.tail() title text subject date target

21412 'Fully committed' NATO backs new U.S. approach... Tuesday we... worldnews August 22, 2017 1 BRUSSELS (Reuters) - NATO allies on

21413 LexisNexis withdrew two products from Chinese ... provider of I... worldnews August 22, 2017 1 LONDON (Reuters) - LexisNexis, a

21414 Minsk cultural hub becomes haven from authorities disused Sov... worldnews August 22, 2017 1 MINSK (Reuters) - In the shadow of