Preventing One-sided News on Social Platforms Using Deep Learning and Transfer Learning Methods

Computer and Information Engineering

What News Reading May Go Wrong

Exaggerated news headlines and sentences with emotional words

One-sided news

Obtaining distorted and partial information from audiences

Drawing wrong conclusion and collecting unpleasant feeling

Focused Problem

- Short sentences are the most immediate and intuitive information obtained by readers in social platforms
- All assists users to instantly identify the quality between short sentences on social media post and news content
- Improving the public's media literacy ability and prevent the dissemination of one-sided information.











Data Collection (Train and evaluate)

- Using Stance Detection dataset for FNC-1, provided by the Fake News Challenge (FNC)
- The data set contains 2578 news.
- The goal is to detect news positions and predict the correlation between news headlines and contents.

Category	Label (stance)	Details
Unrelated	Unrelated	The body text discusses a different topic than the headline.
Related	Discusses	The body text discuss the same topic as the headline, but does not take a position.
	Agrees	The body text agrees with the headline.
	Disagrees	The body text disagrees with the headline.

Table 1: Label category and content

Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning

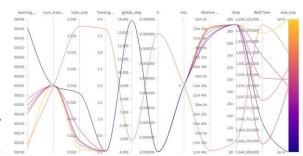
- No or very little preprocessing.
- Large number of parameters.
- The interpretability of the model is poor.

Simple Transformers

- This library which is based on the Transformers library by HuggingFace.
- It can quickly train and evaluate Transformer models.
- This can improve the efficiency of our work.
- Transfer learning using BERT, XLNet and RoBERTa.

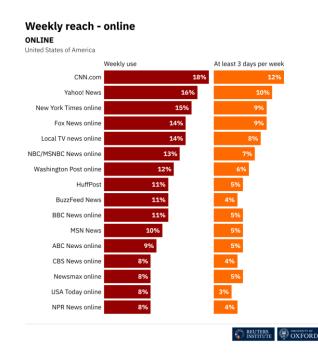
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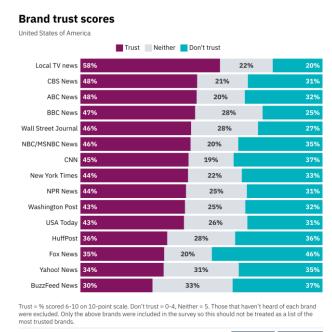
- Obtaining f1 macro, accuracy, mcc and confusion matrix.
- Evaluating and tune the model parameters using wandb.



Applications and Predicts

- We apply the model with the best experiment performance to our dataset.
- Get the text and news contents of American digital media Facebook posts through crawler.

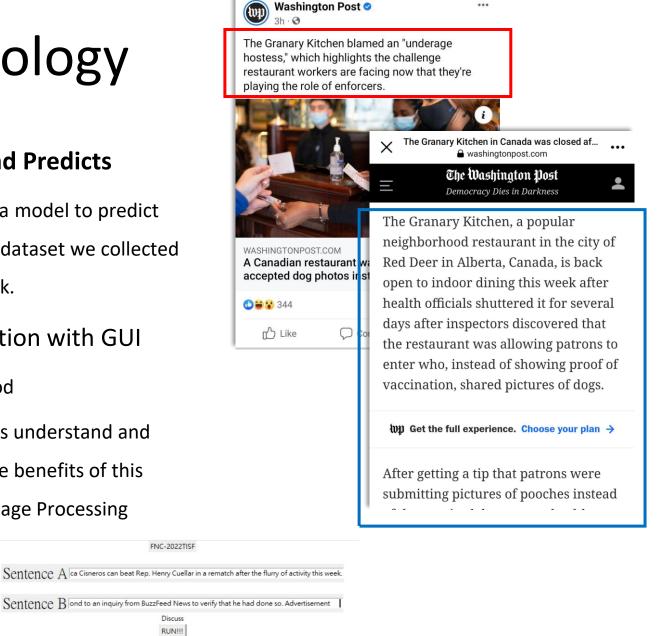






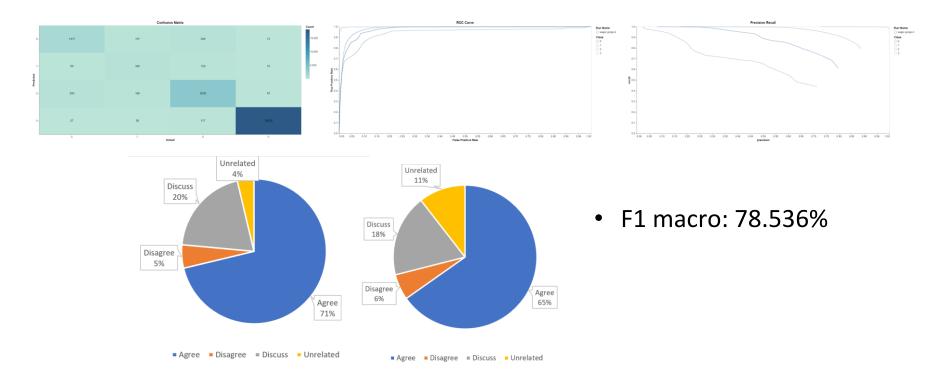
Applications and Predicts

- Using RoBERTa model to predict the US media dataset we collected from Facebook.
- Prediction function with GUI
 - Tkinter method
 - Let more users understand and experience the benefits of this **Natural Language Processing** model.



Results

- We try to adjust model parameters such as learning rate, gradient accumulation steps to avoid "CUDA out of memory".
- The picture below shows us tune the model parameters according to the W&B analysis chart, and our final RoBERTa model performance evaluation.



Interpretation of these results

- There is a slight influence between the data of these media's public use and trust in the United States.
- Analysis of the emoji sentiment feedback of viewers on Facebook is expected to further understand more dimensions of influence.
- Solution for hardware limitations

Conclusions

- Excessively exaggerated, misleading, unjust or untrue text information are negative impact of media.
- To make real-time quality predictions for these large amounts of real-time news, it can help users achieve the media literacy ability.
- Avoiding the dissemination of one-sided information can enable news media to actively improve news quality, supervise reporters.
- Enhancing the culture and value of news media and help promote overall social development.

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