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Books and Articles

These are practical guides:

- [Verification handbook](#), especially the chapter on [investigative reporting](#)

These books give the history of disinformation, propaganda and information operations:

The BigBook of Disinformation Defence v2.0

- [SJ's 2018 book stack - dated, but some good classics in here](#)
- Thomas Rid's "[Active Measures](#)"
- PW Singer and Emerson Brooking's "[Like War](#)"
- Zeynep Tufekci's "[Twitter and Tear Gas](#)" (free version)

Good background articles include:

- [Unpacking China's Viral Propaganda War](#)
 - [Prevalence of Low-Credibility Information on Twitter During the COVID-19 Outbreak](#)
(5 pages)
 - [Media Manipulation and Disinformation Online](#) (106 pages)
 - [Facebook's Coordinated Inauthentic Behavior - An OSINT Analysis](#)
 - [Naval Post Graduate - Disinformation \(many\)](#)
 - [Hate multiverse spreads malicious COVID-19 content online beyond individual platform control](#) (9 pages)
 - [From Russia with Blogs](#) (26 pages)
 - [The COVID-19 Social Media Infodemic](#) (18 pages)
 - [We've Just Seen the First Use of Deepfakes in an Indian Election Campaign](#)
 - [Facebook shut down commercial disinformation network based in Myanmar and Vietnam](#)
 - [Facebook April 2020 Coordinated Inauthentic Behavior Report](#) (26 pages)
 - [Iran's Broadcaster: Inauthentic Behavior](#) (46 pages)
 - [Facebook's VDARE Takedown](#) (18 pages)
 - [Facebook Downs Inauthentic Cluster Inspired by QAnon](#) (19 pages)
 - [\(Bellingcat\) Uncovering A Pro-Chinese Government Information Operation On Twitter and Facebook: Analysis Of The #MilesGuo Bot Network](#)
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The BigBook of Disinformation Defence v2.0

- [Unmaking Democracy: How Corporate Influence Is Eroding Democratic Governance](#) (Harvard International Review) - 4 May 2020 (6min read)
- [Conspiracy Theory Handbook](#) (12 Pages) - also its [Google Drive Location](#)
- [What if we've all been primed?](#) (6 pages)
- (Bellingcat) [Investigate TikTok Like a Pro](#) (15min read)

Podcasts and videos include:

- Motherboard's [Cyber Podcast Episode with Thomas Rid about Active Measures](#) and implications for modern disinformation
- [Lawfare's Arbiters of Truth](#) podcast series about disinformation, and especially [this episode with Camille Francoise](#) on COVID-19 and the ABCs of disinformation
- [vOPCDE #2 - Discussion: Disinformation about Disinformation \(Grugg, SJ, Brian\)](#)

People and Examples

People to Follow

Disinformation data scientists:

- Conspirador Norteno and Dr ZQ: always a great example on [bot tracking](#), [investigated reopen](#) etc. [@conspirator0](#), [@ZellaQuixote](#)
 - Tools: <https://makeadverbsgreatagain.org/allegedly> and python/jupyter with libraries pandas, tweepy, bokeh, cytoscape
- Andy Patel, Infosec and misinformation data scientist: [@r0zetta](#), [blog](#)

- Tools: e.g. [using TFIDF plus Louvain clustering to analyse twitter](#),
<https://twitter-clustering.web.app/>,
https://github.com/r0zetta/meta_embedding_clustering
- Elliot Alderson, infosec and misinformation data scientist: [@fs0c131y](#), fs0c131y.com

Disinformation trackers:

- Erin Gallagher: [@3r1nG](#)
- @josh_emerson
- Kate Starbird: [@katestarbird](#)

Examples of disinformation tracking

- ["Distinguished Impersonator" Information Operation That Previously Impersonated U.S. Politicians and Journalists on Social Media Leverages Fabricated U.S. Liberal Personas to Promote Iranian Interests](#)
- [From Russia With Blogs](#)
- [Facebook shut down commercial disinformation network based in Myanmar and Vietnam](#)
- [Facebook's Coordinated Inauthentic Behavior - An OSINT Analysis](#)
- Data science:
<https://onezero.medium.com/facebook-groups-and-youtube-enabled-viral-spread-of-plandemic-misinformation-f1a279335e8c>
- Images and disinformation: [Deepfakes by BJP in Indian Delhi Election Campaign](#)

Disinformation Counters

- Training end-users about disinformation
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- <https://getbadnews.com/#intro> - game showing how disinformation works
- [CrashCourse media literacy videos](#)

Disinformation teams

Teams with Volunteers

These teams we know:

- [RealityTeam](#) - creating and deploying counter-narratives
- [CogSecCollab](#) - standards, deployments etc
- [CTI League Disinformation Team](#) - infosec group, focussed on Covid19
- [Bellingcat investigation team](#) - OSINT investigations
- [Credibility Coalition](#) - research
- [Pro-Truth Pledge](#) - persuading politicians etc to pledge to be truthful

These, we're not so familiar with:

- [AVAAZ](#)
- [UN Verified project](#) - sharing counter-narratives
- [Cites on the Internet \(MWI\)](#) - Poland
- [PGP Stronger](#) - reporting and commenting on disinfo
- [Czech Elves](#)

Universities

- University of Washington

