Fake News Detection

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1 Project I: Fake News Detection.

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[1]: #Importing libraries.
     import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     import seaborn as sns
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import string as st
     from wordcloud import WordCloud
     import nltk
     from nltk import PorterStemmer, WordNetLemmatizer
     from sklearn.feature extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
     from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
     from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
     from sklearn.linear_model import PassiveAggressiveClassifier
     from sklearn.svm import SVC
     from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier
     from mlxtend.plotting import plot_confusion_matrix
[2]: #Loading data.
     news_df = pd.read_csv('news.csv')
[3]: #checking the data structure.
     news_df.shape
[3]: (6335, 4)
[4]: #Glimpse of the data.
     news_df.head()
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[5]: #checking for null values.
     news_df.isnull().sum()
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     dtype: int64
    The dataset does not have null values.
        Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA).
[6]: #Removing all punctuations.
     def remove_punctuation(text):
         return ("".join([ch for ch in text if ch not in st.punctuation]))
[7]: news_df['New_text']=news_df['text'].apply(lambda x: remove punctuation(x))
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 [8]: #Dropping the feature which we don't need
      news_df = news_df.drop(['Unnamed: 0'],axis=1)
      news_df.head()
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 [9]: #Convert text in lower case, Split() applied for white space
      import re
      def tokenize(text):
          text = re.split('\s+', text)
          return [x.lower() for x in text]
[10]: news_df['New_text'] = news_df['New_text'].apply(lambda msg:tokenize(msg))
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[11]: #Removal of tokens less than length 2.
      def remove_small_words(text):
          return [x for x in text if len(x)>2]
[12]: news df['New text'] = news df['New text'].apply(lambda x: remove small words(x))
      news_df.head()
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[13]: #Remove stopwords.
      def remove_stopword(text):
          return[word for word in text if word not in nltk.corpus.stopwords.
       →words('english')]
[14]: news df['New_text'] = news_df['New_text'].apply(lambda x: remove_stopword(x))
      news_df.head()
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[15]: #Lemmetization
      def lemmatizer(text):
          word_net = WordNetLemmatizer()
          return [word_net.lemmatize(word) for word in text]
[16]: news df['New text'] = news df['New text'].apply(lambda x: lemmatizer(x))
      news_df.head(10)
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      9 Iran reportedly makes new push for uranium con...
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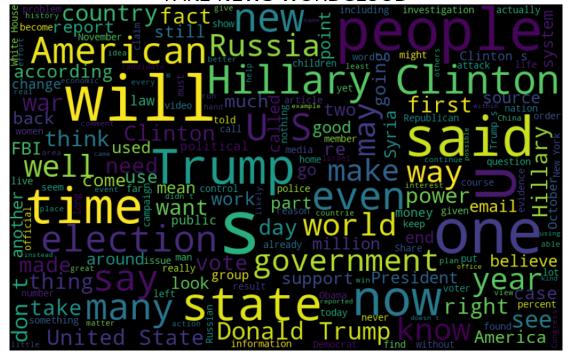
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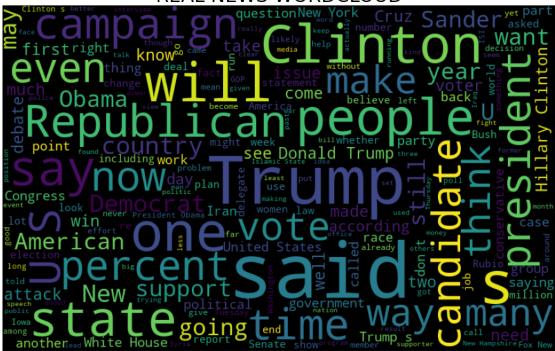
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      9 [iranian, negotiator, reportedly, made, lastdi...
[17]: # Create sentences to get clean text as input for vectors
      def return sentances(tokens):
          return " ".join([word for word in tokens])
[18]: news df['New_text'] = news_df['New_text'].apply(lambda x: return_sentances(x))
      news_df.head()
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2.0.1 Word Cloud

FAKE NEWS WORDCLOUD



REAL NEWS WORDCLOUD



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[21]: #Comparing the frequency of Fake and Real News.
print(news_df.groupby(['label'])['text'].count())
sns.countplot(news_df['label'])
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label

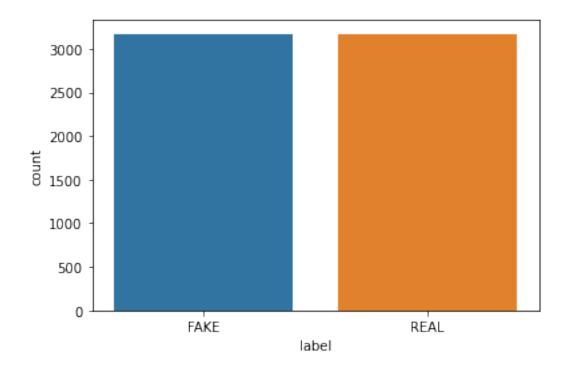
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Name: text, dtype: int64

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warnings.warn(

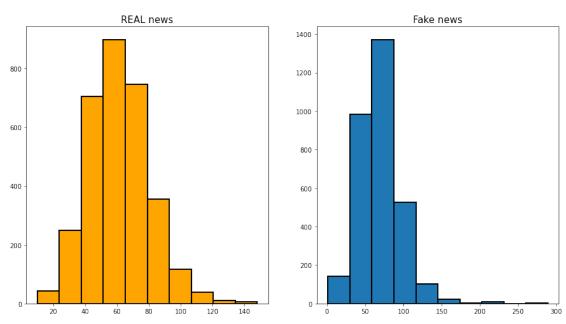
[21]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='label', ylabel='count'>



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[22]: #Comparing the Total numbers of Characters in the Feature Title.
fig, (ax1,ax2)=plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(15,8))
fig.suptitle('Characters in News Title',fontsize=20)
news_len=news_df[news_df['label']=='REAL']['title'].str.len()
ax1.hist(news_len,color='orange',linewidth=2,edgecolor='black')
ax1.set_title('REAL news',fontsize=15)
news_len=news_df[news_df['label']=='FAKE']['title'].str.len()
ax2.hist(news_len,linewidth=2,edgecolor='black')
ax2.set_title('Fake news',fontsize=15)
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[22]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Fake news')

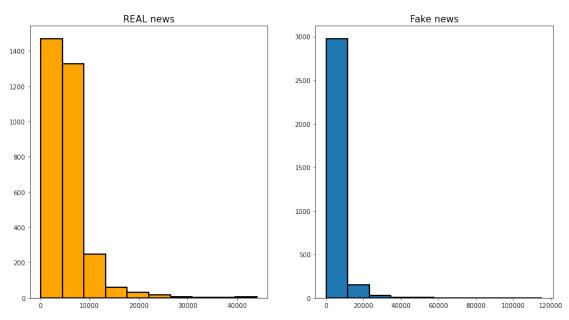
Characters in News Title



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[23]: #Comparing the Total numbers of Characters in the Feature Text.
fig, (ax1,ax2)=plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(15,8))
fig.suptitle('Characters in News Text',fontsize=20)
news_len=news_df[news_df['label']=='REAL']['text'].str.len()
ax1.hist(news_len,color='orange',linewidth=2,edgecolor='black')
ax1.set_title('REAL news',fontsize=15)
news_len=news_df[news_df['label']=='FAKE']['text'].str.len()
ax2.hist(news_len,linewidth=2,edgecolor='black')
ax2.set_title('Fake news',fontsize=15)
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[23]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Fake news')

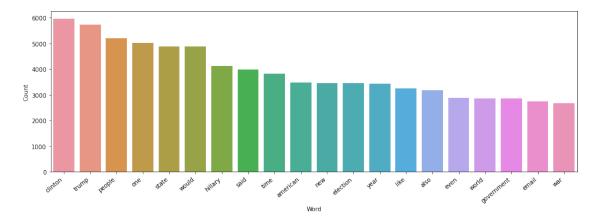
Characters in News Text



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[25]: # selecting top 20 most frequent hashtags.
d = d.nlargest(columns="Count", n = 20)
plt.figure(figsize=(16,5))
ax = sns.barplot(data=d, x= "Word", y = "Count")
ax.set_xticklabels(d["Word"], rotation=40, ha="right")
ax.set(ylabel = 'Count')
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plt.show()



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[26]:
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[27]: d = d.nlargest(columns="Count", n = 20)
    plt.figure(figsize=(16,5))
    ax = sns.barplot(data=d, x= "Word", y = "Count")
    ax.set_xticklabels(d["Word"], rotation=40, ha="right")
    ax.set(ylabel = 'Count')
    plt.show()
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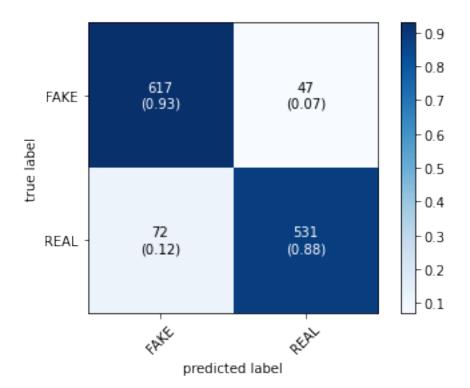
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[28]: #Label Encoding.
      news_df["label"] = news_df["label"].replace(["FAKE", "REAL"], value=[1,0])
[29]: news_df.head()
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[30]: #Splitting data into test and train.
      X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test =
       →train_test_split(news_df['New_text'],news_df['label'],test_size=0.2,
       →random_state = 10)
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[31]: #TF-IDF : Term Frequency - Inverse Document Frequency
tfidf = TfidfVectorizer()
X_train = tfidf.fit_transform(X_train)
X_test = tfidf.transform(X_test)
print(X_train.shape)
print(X_test.shape)

(5068, 70803)
(1267, 70803)
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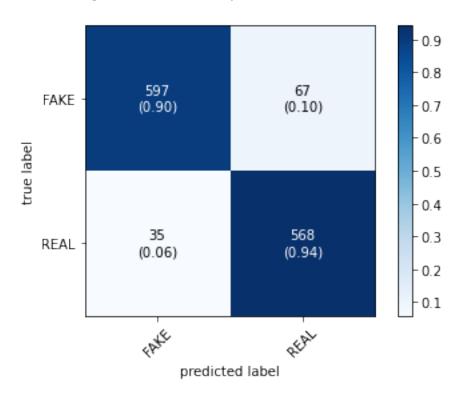
3 Radndom Forest Classifier.

Accuracy score : 0.9060773480662984



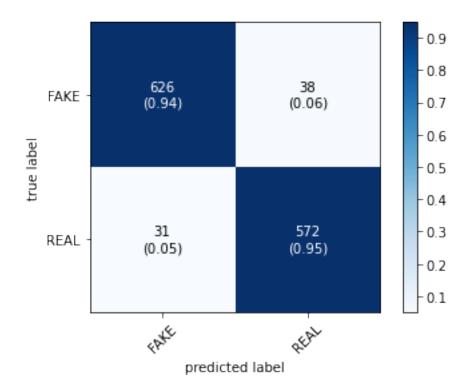
4 Logistic Regression.

Accuracy score : 0.9194948697711128



5 Passive Aggressive Classifier

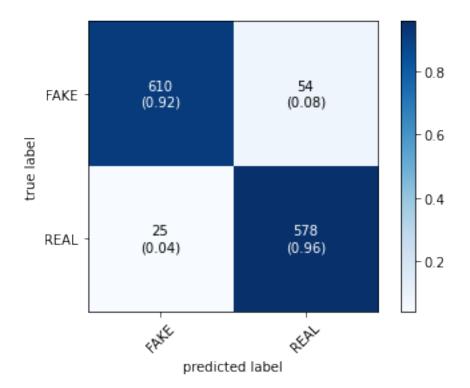
Accuracy score : 0.9455406471981057



6 Support Vector Classification.

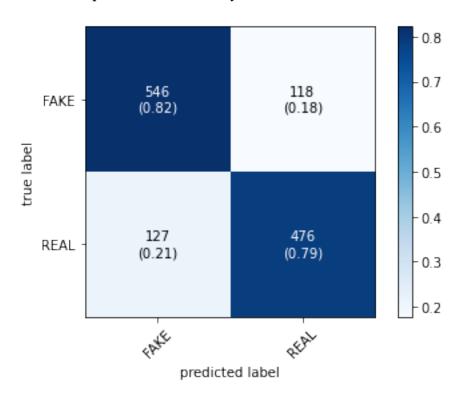
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[35]: model4=SVC()
  model4.fit(X_train,y_train)
  pred4 = model4.predict(X_test)
  accuracy4 = accuracy_score(y_test,pred4)
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Accuracy score : 0.9376479873717443



7 Decision Tree Classifier

Accuracy score : 0.8066298342541437



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[37]: #Creating the Dictionary with model name as key and accuracy as key-value labels={'RandomForestClassifier':accuracy1,'LogisticRegression':

→accuracy2,'PassiveAggressiveClassifier':accuracy3,

'SVC':accuracy4,'DecisionTreeClassifier':accuracy5}
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[38]: #Plotting accuracy of all the models with Bar-Graphs

plt.figure(figsize=(15,8))

plt.title('Comparing Accuracy of ML Models',fontsize=20)

colors=['red','yellow','orange','magenta','cyan']

plt.xticks(fontsize=10,color='black')

plt.yticks(fontsize=20,color='black')

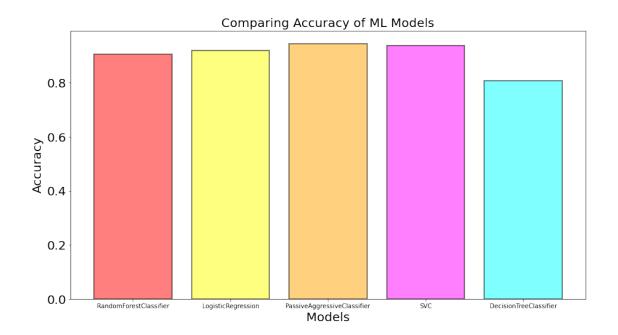
plt.ylabel('Accuracy',fontsize=20)

plt.xlabel('Models',fontsize=20)

plt.bar(labels.keys(),labels.values(),edgecolor='black',color=colors,

→linewidth=2,alpha=0.5)
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[38]: <BarContainer object of 5 artists>



[]: