# Hyperpartisian News detection

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### Introduction

- ► Hyperpartisian News
  - "Extremely biased in favor of a political party"
- ► SemEval 2019 competition

#### **Datasets**

- 1. byarticle (600 articles directly labeled; quality data)
- 2. bypublisher ( 600k articles indirectly labeled by publisher; quantity data)
- 3. byart-bypub-mix (byarticle + 1100 articles from bypublisher)

due to time and ressource constraints, only byarticle and mix were used, as well as a seed

## Attempts

- Classifiers
  - Logistic Regression
  - SGD Classifier
  - Random Forest Classifier
  - Naive Base Classifier
  - CNN Keras
- Feature Unions
  - Length of article
  - Number of capitalized words
  - Number of exclamation marks

# Pipeline

- Transformer
  - CountVectorizer
  - ► TfidfTransformer
- ▶ Bag of Words
- Classifier

### Article measures

- Hyperpartisian
  - Average of 596 words per article
  - Average of 7 capitalized words per article
  - Average of 0.98 exclamation marks per article
- Non-Hyperpartisian
  - Average of 415 words per article
  - Average of 5 capitalized words per article
  - Average of 0.36 exclamation marks per article
- ▶ How to tokenize?

## Measure tokenization

- Add as word
  - ► LONGARTICLE
  - ► CAPITALUSAGE
  - EXCLAMATIONMARK
- ► Feature Union
  - Concatenates results of multiple transformer objects.

# Scores (20 runs)

Method	Acc.	Prec.	Rec.	F1
Logistic regression	0,70-0,82	0,65-0,81	0,38-0,60	0,51-0,70
SGD Classifier	0,62-0,76	0,51-0,79	0,52-0,78	0,59-0,70
Random Forest	0,63-0,78	0,60-0,88	0,27-0,47	0,41-0,59
Naive Bayes	0,65-0,78	0,50-0,75	0,57-0,80	0,59-0,71
Log. reg. FU	0,71-0,82	0,67-0,92	0,39-0,64	0,49-0,70
SGD FU	0,34-0,70	0,00-0,40	0,00-1,00	0,0-0,58

## **Baselines**

- ► Logistic Regression
- ► SGDClassifier (SVM)

# Logistic Regression

	Quality	Mix	
Accuracy	80	68	-
Precision	76	67	consistent results due to the seed
Recall	60	50	
F1	67	57	

## **SVM**

	Quality	Mix	
Accuracy	71-76	63-69	•
Precision	55-64	56-60	inconsistent results despite seed
Recall	65-80	59-70	
F1	60-66	59-65	
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due to Stochastic Gradient Descent

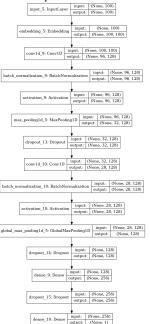
## **CNN**

	Quality	Mix
Accuracy	69-74	59-66
Precision	53-63	51-61
Recall	47-67	57-72
F1	52-60	57-61

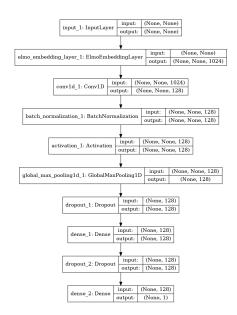
# **Techniques**

- BatchNormalization
- Dropout
- ► (Global)MaxPooling
- Learning Embeddings and Pre-Learned Embeddings (ELMo/Word2Vec/GloVe)

## **CNN** Graph



### **ELMo Model**



## Conclusion