# Detecting Fake News

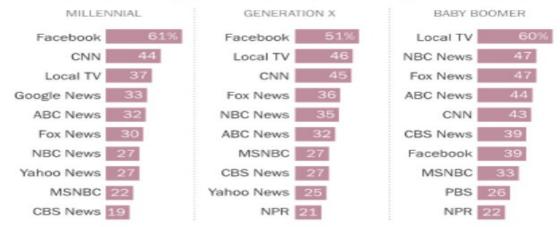
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#### Overview & Business Problem

Client: Social Network Platforms (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.)

#### Among Millennials, Facebook Far Exceeds Any Other Source for Political News

% who got news about politics and government in the previous week from...

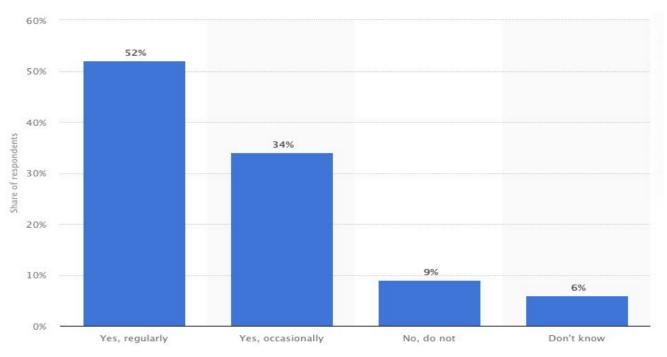


American Trends Panel (wave 1). Survey conducted March 19-April 29, 2014. Q22, Q24A. Based on online adults.

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Source: Statista 2021

#### What is FAKE NEWs?

"Fake news is a type of yellow journalism or propaganda that consists of deliberate misinformation or hoaxes spread via traditional print and broadcast news media or online social media."

#### FAKE news Examples:

Here, we examine the claim that boiled garlic will "cure" the virus.

Joe Biden Calls Trump Supporters 'Dregs of Society"

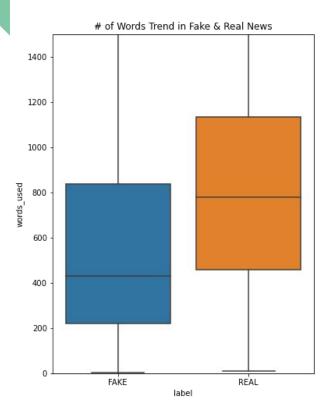
Dataset is obtained from: <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1er9NJTLUA3qnRuyhfzuN0XUsolC4a-q/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1er9NJTLUA3qnRuyhfzuN0XUsolC4a-q/view</a>

Dataset contains: 3,171 REAL vs. 3,164 FAKE News text. (Mostly Political Topic)

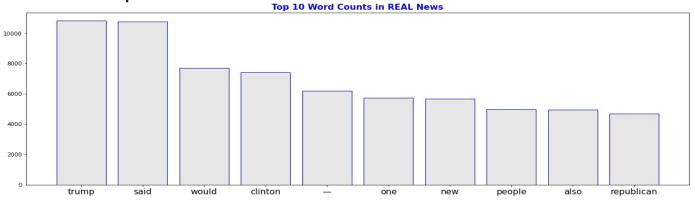
Text Dataset is re-touched and evaluated with below for the model building:

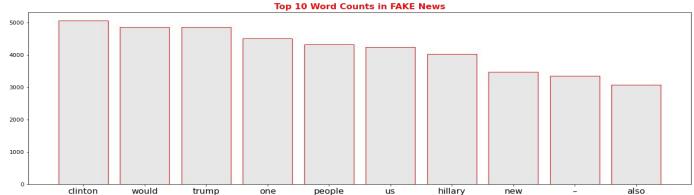
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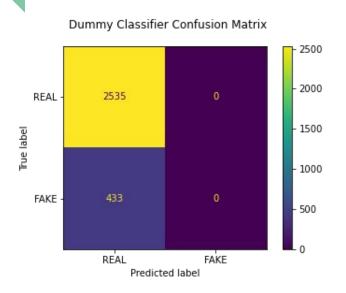


FAKE news is shorter than REAL news in terms of its length





### Model #1 - Dummy Classifier Model



- Accuracy: 0.86
- Weighted AVG F-1 Score: 0.79

Class was re-sampled with 0.17: 1 (FAKE vs. REAL) ratio.

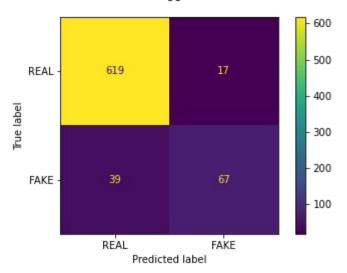
### Model Cross Validation Score Comparison

Classifier	F1 Score
Decision Tree	0.870
RandomForest	0.899
MultinomialNB	0.936
PassiveAggressive	0.937

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#### Final Model - PassiveAggressive Classifier Model





- Accuracy: 0.92
- Precision: 0.80
- Recall: 0.63
- Weighted avg F1-Score: 0.92

TFIDF Vectorizer with the lemmatized dataset

### Next Steps

- 1. Try Deep Learning Models.
- 2. Try Web-Scraping from Fake News sites like Onions and see how well our model performs.
- 3. Try Web-Scraping from Social Media and see the Fake News Detection Rate.

## Thank you!

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