

CSCI8380 (Spring 2012): Paper Review Form

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Paper Name: Information credibility on twitter

Section I. Overview

A. Reader Interest

1. Which category describes this manuscript?
☐ Practice/Application/Case Study/Experience Report
☒ Research/Technology
☐ Survey/Tutorial/How-To

B. Content

1. Please explain how this manuscript advances this field of research and/or contributes something new to the literature.

Answer: This manuscript describes a precise analysis on information credibility of news propagated by Twitter. They also concentrate on automatic methods for assessing the credibility of a given set of tweets, and examine the postings on related to "trending" topics and classify them based as credible or not credible.

C. Presentation

1. Does the introduction state the objectives of the manuscript in terms that encourage the reader to read on?
☒ Yes
☐ Could be improved
☐ No
2. How would you rate the organization of the manuscript? Is it focused? Is the length appropriate for the topic?
☒ Satisfactory
☐ Could be improved
☐ Poor
3. Please rate and comment on the readability of this manuscript.
☒ Easy to read
☐ Readable - but requires some effort to understand
☐ Difficult to read and understand
☐ Unreadable

Section II. Evaluation

Please rate the manuscript. Explain your choice.

___ Award Quality
___ Excellent
✓ Good
___ Fair
___ Poor

Section III. Detailed Comments (provide your thoughts/criticism about the ideas in the paper; not only summarize the paper but have a critical look here)

Answer: *In this paper authors showed that for messages about time-sensitive topics, it's possible to separate automatically newsworthy topics from other types of conversations. They also expressed how to assess automatically the level of social media credibility of newsworthy topics.*

Additional Comments:

1. Provide one aspect that you liked the most in this paper.

Doing analysis on Twitter, as one of the most important micro blogging services is worthwhile and a great idea.

2. Provide one aspect that you disliked the most in this paper.

*The evaluations done were quite limited. There are lots of figures without explanation.
There are a number of good machine learning algorithms they could use to improve their performance.*

Section IV. Discussion Points (provide at least 3 discussion topics/questions related to ideas/techniques described in the paper; these will be used for discussions in the class)

1. *How did they use ontologies in their analysis?*
2. *How they have done feature selection for doing the credibility analysis?*