Fake News Detection

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1 Fake News Detection Analysis

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1.1 Datasets Description

- Fake.csv: A full training dataset containing fake news.
- True.csv: A full training dataset containing true news.

Attributes: (Both of the datasets have same attributes).

- Title: The title of a news article.
- Text: Full news in text.
- Subject: Subject or category of a news.
- Date: Date of news published.

Class:

Fake news: 0True news: 1

1.2 Import Libraries

```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report
import re
import string
```

1.3 Load Datasets

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[2]: data_fake = pd.read_csv("C:\\Users\\DELL\\Downloads\\Fake.csv")
data_true = pd.read_csv("C:\\Users\\DELL\\Downloads\\True.csv")
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[3]: data_fake.head()
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0
         Donald Trump Sends Out Embarrassing New Year' ...
         Drunk Bragging Trump Staffer Started Russian ...
     1
     2
         Sheriff David Clarke Becomes An Internet Joke...
         Trump Is So Obsessed He Even Has Obama's Name...
     3
         Pope Francis Just Called Out Donald Trump Dur...
                                                      text subject \
     O Donald Trump just couldn t wish all Americans ...
                                                            News
     1 House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nu...
                                                            News
     2 On Friday, it was revealed that former Milwauk...
                                                            News
     3 On Christmas day, Donald Trump announced that ...
                                                            News
     4 Pope Francis used his annual Christmas Day mes...
                                                            News
                     date
     0 December 31, 2017
     1 December 31, 2017
     2 December 30, 2017
     3 December 29, 2017
     4 December 25, 2017
[4]: data_true.head()
[4]:
                                                     title \
     O As U.S. budget fight looms, Republicans flip t...
     1 U.S. military to accept transgender recruits o...
     2 Senior U.S. Republican senator: 'Let Mr. Muell...
     3 FBI Russia probe helped by Australian diplomat...
     4 Trump wants Postal Service to charge 'much mor...
                                                                 subject \
                                                      text
     O WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The head of a conservat... politicsNews
     1 WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Transgender people will... politicsNews
     2 WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The special counsel inv... politicsNews
     3 WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Trump campaign adviser ... politicsNews
     4 SEATTLE/WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Donal... politicsNews
                      date
     0 December 31, 2017
     1 December 29, 2017
     2 December 31, 2017
     3 December 30, 2017
     4 December 29, 2017
```

title \

[3]:

1.4 Data Preprocessing

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[5]: data_fake["class"] = 0
      data_true["class"] = 1
 [6]: data_fake.shape, data_true.shape
 [6]: ((23481, 5), (21417, 5))
 [7]: data_fake_manual_testing = data_fake.tail(10)
      data_fake = data_fake.iloc[:-10]
      data_true_manual_testing = data_true.tail(10)
      data true = data true.iloc[:-10]
 [8]: data_fake.shape, data_true.shape
 [8]: ((23471, 5), (21407, 5))
 [9]: data fake manual testing["class"] = 0
      data_true_manual_testing["class"] = 1
[10]: data fake manual testing.head(10)
[10]:
                                                          title \
             Seven Iranians freed in the prisoner swap have...
      23471
      23472
                                 #Hashtag Hell & The Fake Left
      23473
             Astroturfing: Journalist Reveals Brainwashing ...
      23474
                     The New American Century: An Era of Fraud
      23475 Hillary Clinton: 'Israel First' (and no peace ...
      23476 McPain: John McCain Furious That Iran Treated ...
      23477
             JUSTICE? Yahoo Settles E-mail Privacy Class-ac...
             Sunnistan: US and Allied 'Safe Zone' Plan to T...
      23478
             How to Blow $700 Million: Al Jazeera America F...
      23479
      23480
             10 U.S. Navy Sailors Held by Iranian Military ...
                                                                     subject \
                                                           text
      23471
             21st Century Wire says This week, the historic... Middle-east
      23472
              By Dady Chery and Gilbert MercierAll writers ... Middle-east
      23473 Vic Bishop Waking TimesOur reality is carefull... Middle-east
      23474
             Paul Craig RobertsIn the last years of the 20t... Middle-east
             Robert Fantina CounterpunchAlthough the United... Middle-east
      23475
      23476
             21st Century Wire says As 21WIRE reported earl... Middle-east
             21st Century Wire says It s a familiar theme. ... Middle-east
      23477
      23478 Patrick Henningsen 21st Century WireRemember ... Middle-east
      23479
             21st Century Wire says Al Jazeera America will... Middle-east
      23480 21st Century Wire says As 21WIRE predicted in ... Middle-east
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23471
             January 20, 2016
                                    0
      23472
             January 19, 2016
      23473
             January 19, 2016
                                    0
      23474
             January 19, 2016
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      23475
             January 18, 2016
                                    0
      23476
             January 16, 2016
                                    0
      23477
             January 16, 2016
                                    0
             January 15, 2016
                                    0
      23478
             January 14, 2016
                                    0
      23479
      23480
             January 12, 2016
                                    0
[11]: data_true_manual_testing.head(10)
[11]:
                                                          title \
             Mata Pires, owner of embattled Brazil builder ...
      21407
      21408
             U.S., North Korea clash at U.N. forum over nuc...
      21409
             U.S., North Korea clash at U.N. arms forum on ...
      21410
             Headless torso could belong to submarine journ...
      21411
             North Korea shipments to Syria chemical arms a...
      21412
             'Fully committed' NATO backs new U.S. approach...
      21413 LexisNexis withdrew two products from Chinese ...
      21414
             Minsk cultural hub becomes haven from authorities
      21415
             Vatican upbeat on possibility of Pope Francis ...
             Indonesia to buy $1.14 billion worth of Russia...
                                                           text
                                                                    subject \
      21407
             SAO PAULO (Reuters) - Cesar Mata Pires, the ow...
                                                                worldnews
      21408
             GENEVA (Reuters) - North Korea and the United ...
                                                               worldnews
             GENEVA (Reuters) - North Korea and the United ... worldnews
      21409
      21410
             COPENHAGEN (Reuters) - Danish police said on T... worldnews
      21411
             UNITED NATIONS (Reuters) - Two North Korean sh... worldnews
      21412
             BRUSSELS (Reuters) - NATO allies on Tuesday we... worldnews
             LONDON (Reuters) - LexisNexis, a provider of 1... worldnews
      21413
             MINSK (Reuters) - In the shadow of disused Sov... worldnews
      21414
      21415
             MOSCOW (Reuters) - Vatican Secretary of State ... worldnews
      21416
             JAKARTA (Reuters) - Indonesia will buy 11 Sukh... worldnews
                         date
                               class
             August 22, 2017
      21407
      21408
             August 22, 2017
                                    1
             August 22, 2017
      21409
                                    1
      21410
             August 22, 2017
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      21411
             August 21, 2017
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      21412
            August 22, 2017
                                    1
             August 22, 2017
      21413
                                    1
      21414 August 22, 2017
```

class

date

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August 22, 2017
      21415
             August 22, 2017
      21416
[12]: data_merge = pd.concat([data_fake, data_true], axis=0)
      data merge.head(10)
[12]:
                                                      title \
          Donald Trump Sends Out Embarrassing New Year' ...
      1
          Drunk Bragging Trump Staffer Started Russian ...
          Sheriff David Clarke Becomes An Internet Joke...
      3
          Trump Is So Obsessed He Even Has Obama's Name...
          Pope Francis Just Called Out Donald Trump Dur...
      4
      5
          Racist Alabama Cops Brutalize Black Boy While...
      6
          Fresh Off The Golf Course, Trump Lashes Out A...
      7
          Trump Said Some INSANELY Racist Stuff Inside ...
          Former CIA Director Slams Trump Over UN Bully...
      8
          WATCH: Brand-New Pro-Trump Ad Features So Muc...
                                                       text subject \
      O Donald Trump just couldn t wish all Americans ...
                                                             News
      1 House Intelligence Committee Chairman Devin Nu...
                                                             News
      2 On Friday, it was revealed that former Milwauk...
                                                             News
      3 On Christmas day, Donald Trump announced that ...
                                                             News
      4 Pope Francis used his annual Christmas Day mes...
                                                             News
      5 The number of cases of cops brutalizing and ki...
                                                             News
      6 Donald Trump spent a good portion of his day a...
                                                             News
      7 In the wake of yet another court decision that...
                                                             News
      8 Many people have raised the alarm regarding th...
                                                             News
         Just when you might have thought we d get a br...
                                                             News
                      date class
      0 December 31, 2017
      1 December 31, 2017
      2 December 30, 2017
                                 0
      3 December 29, 2017
                                 0
      4 December 25, 2017
                                 0
      5 December 25, 2017
                                0
      6 December 23, 2017
                                0
      7 December 23, 2017
                                 0
      8 December 22, 2017
                                 0
      9 December 21, 2017
                                 0
     1.5 Remove Unused Columns and Merge Columns
[13]: data_merge.columns
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[13]: Index(['title', 'text', 'subject', 'date', 'class'], dtype='object')

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[14]: data = data_merge.drop(["title", "subject", "date"], axis=1)
     1.6 Check NaN Values
[15]: data.isnull().sum()
[15]: text
               0
               0
      class
      dtype: int64
[16]: data = data.sample(frac = 1)
[17]: data.head()
[17]:
                                                           text
                                                                 class
      3274
             The Republican National Committee released a b...
                                                                   0
      19433 KIEV/NEW YORK (Reuters) - Ukraine s Petro Poro...
                                                                   1
             On Friday, a jury did something that will cert...
      3945
                                                                   0
      11979 ANKARA (Reuters) - Turkish President Tayyip Er...
                                                                   1
             CHICAGO (Reuters) - U.S. President-elect Donal...
      7300
[18]: data.reset index(inplace=True)
      data.drop(['index'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
[19]: data.columns
[19]: Index(['text', 'class'], dtype='object')
[20]: data.head()
[20]:
                                                       text class
      O The Republican National Committee released a b...
                                                               0
      1 KIEV/NEW YORK (Reuters) - Ukraine s Petro Poro...
      2 On Friday, a jury did something that will cert...
      3 ANKARA (Reuters) - Turkish President Tayyip Er...
      4 CHICAGO (Reuters) - U.S. President-elect Donal...
[21]: def wordopt(text):
          text = text.lower()
          text = re.sub('\[.*?\]', '', text)
          text = re.sub("\\W", " ", text)
          text = re.sub('https?://\S+|www\.\S+', '', text)
          text = re.sub('<.*?>+', '', text)
          text = re.sub('[%s]' % re.escape(string.punctuation), '', text)
          text = re.sub('\n', '', text)
          text = re.sub('\w*\d\w*', '', text)
          return text
```

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<>:3: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\['
     <>:5: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\S'
     <>:9: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\w'
     <>:3: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\['
     <>:5: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\S'
     <>:9: SyntaxWarning: invalid escape sequence '\w'
     C:\Users\DELL\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel 9044\1031775046.py:3: SyntaxWarning:
     invalid escape sequence '\['
       text = re.sub('\[.*?\]', '', text)
     C:\Users\DELL\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_9044\1031775046.py:5: SyntaxWarning:
     invalid escape sequence '\S'
       text = re.sub('https?://\S+|www\.\S+', '', text)
     C:\Users\DELL\AppData\Local\Temp\ipykernel_9044\1031775046.py:9: SyntaxWarning:
     invalid escape sequence '\w'
       text = re.sub('\w*\d\w*', '', text)
[22]: data['text'] = data['text'].apply(wordopt)
[23]: x = data['text']
      y = data['class']
     1.7 Feature Extraction
[24]: x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(x,y, test_size = 0.25)
[25]: from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
      vectorization = TfidfVectorizer()
      xv train = vectorization.fit transform(x train)
      xv_test = vectorization.transform(x_test)
     1.8 Models
     1.9 Logistic Regression
[26]: from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
      LR = LogisticRegression()
      LR.fit(xv_train, y_train)
[26]: LogisticRegression()
[27]: pred_lr = LR.predict(xv_test)
[28]: LR.score(xv_test, y_test)
[28]: 0.9841354723707665
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[29]: print(classification_report(y_test, pred_lr)) precision recall f1-score support 0 0.99 0.98 0.98 5924 1 0.98 0.99 0.98 5296 accuracy 0.98 11220 macro avg 0.98 0.98 11220 0.98 weighted avg 0.98 0.98 0.98 11220 1.10 Decision Tree Classifier [30]: from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeClassifier DT = DecisionTreeClassifier() DT.fit(xv_train, y_train) [30]: DecisionTreeClassifier() [31]: pred_dt = DT.predict(xv_test) [32]: DT.score(xv_test, y_test) [32]: 0.9949197860962566 [33]: print(classification_report(y_test, pred_dt)) precision recall f1-score support 0 0.99 1.00 1.00 5924 1 1.00 0.99 0.99 5296 0.99 11220 accuracy macro avg 1.00 0.99 0.99 11220 weighted avg 0.99 0.99 0.99 11220

1.11 Gradient Boosting Classifier

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[34]: from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingClassifier

GB = GradientBoostingClassifier(random_state = 0)

GB.fit(xv_train, y_train)
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[34]: GradientBoostingClassifier(random_state=0)

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[35]: pred_gb = GB.predict(xv_test)
[36]: GB.score(xv_test, y_test)
[36]: 0.9959001782531194
[37]: print(classification_report(y_test, pred_gb))
                   precision
                                 recall f1-score
                                                    support
                0
                         1.00
                                   0.99
                                             1.00
                                                        5924
                1
                         0.99
                                   1.00
                                             1.00
                                                        5296
         accuracy
                                             1.00
                                                       11220
                         1.00
                                   1.00
                                             1.00
                                                       11220
        macro avg
     weighted avg
                         1.00
                                   1.00
                                             1.00
                                                       11220
     1.12 Random Forest Classifier
[38]: from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
      RF = RandomForestClassifier(random_state = 0)
      RF.fit(xv_train, y_train)
[38]: RandomForestClassifier(random_state=0)
[39]: pred_rf = RF.predict(xv_test)
[40]: RF.score(xv_test, y_test)
[40]: 0.9899286987522281
[41]: print(classification_report(y_test, pred_rf))
                   precision
                                 recall f1-score
                                                     support
                0
                                   0.99
                         0.99
                                             0.99
                                                        5924
                         0.99
                                   0.99
                                             0.99
                                                        5296
                1
                                             0.99
                                                       11220
         accuracy
                         0.99
                                   0.99
                                             0.99
                                                       11220
        macro avg
```

0.99

11220

weighted avg

0.99

0.99

1.13 Models Testing

```
[89]: def output_label(n):
          if n == 0:
              return "Fake News"
          elif n == 1:
              return "Not A Fake News"
      def manual_testing(news):
          testing_news = {"text":[news]}
          new def test = pd.DataFrame(testing news)
          new_def_test["text"] = new_def_test["text"].apply(wordopt)
          new x test = new def test["text"]
          new_xv_test = vectorization.transform(new_x_test)
          pred LR = LR.predict(new xv test)
          pred_DT = DT.predict(new_xv_test)
          pred_GB = GB.predict(new_xv_test)
          pred_RF = RF.predict(new_xv_test)
          return print("\n\nLR Prediction: {} \nDT Prediction: {} \nGB Prediction: {}_\l
       →\nRF Prediction: {}".format(output_label(pred_LR[0]),
                                     output_label(pred_GB[0]),
                                     output_label(pred_DT[0]),
                                     output_label(pred_RF[0])))
```

```
[97]: news = str(input())
manual_testing(news)
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The Pentagon is considering a Boeing proposal to supply Ukraine with cheap, small precision bombs fitted on to abundantly available rockets, allowing Kyiv to strike far behind Russian lines, according to a Reuters report. US and allied military inventories are shrinking, and Ukraine faces an increasing need for more sophisticated weapons as the war drags on. Boeing's proposed system, dubbed Ground-Launched Small Diameter Bomb (GLSDB), is one of about a half-dozen plans for getting new munitions into production for Ukraine and America's eastern European allies, industry sources told the news agency. GLSDB could be delivered as early as spring 2023, according to a document reviewed by Reuters and three people familiar with the plan. It combines the GBU-39 Small Diameter Bomb (SDB) with the M26 rocket motor, both of which are common in US inventories. Although a handful of GLSDB units have already been made, there are many logistical obstacles to formal procurement. The Boeing plan requires a price discovery waiver, exempting the contractor from an in-depth review that ensures the Pentagon is getting the best deal possible. Any arrangement would also require at least six suppliers to expedite shipments of their parts and services to produce the weapon quickly. Although the US has rebuffed requests

for the 185-mile (297km) range Atacms missile, the GLSDB's 94-mile (150km) range would allow Ukraine to hit valuable military targets that have been out of reach and help it continue pressing its counterattacks by disrupting Russian rear areas. GLSDB is made jointly by Saab AB and Boeing Co and has been in development since 2019, well before the invasion, which Russia calls a "special operation". In October, SAAB chief executive Micael Johansson said of the GLSDB: "We are imminently shortly expecting contracts on that." According to the document - a Boeing proposal to US European - has small, folding wings that allow it to glide more than 100km if dropped from an aircraft and targets as small as 3ft in diameter.

LR Prediction: Not A Fake News DT Prediction: Not A Fake News GBC Prediction: Not A Fake News RFC Prediction: Not A Fake News

[95]: news = str(input())
manual_testing(news)

Many have downplayed allegations of Russian war crimes or even claimed that the war is a supposed "hoax". In one widely shared video, a news reporter could be seen standing in front of lines of body bags, one of which was moving. However, the footage did not show invented war casualties in Ukraine, but a "Fridays for Future" climate change protest in Vienna in February, three weeks before the invasion began. Days later, another viral video of a mannequin claimed to be proof that Ukrainian authorities had "staged" the mass killing of civilians in the town of Bucha. The misleading clip showed a prosthetic doll being dressed and prepared by two men. Nadezhda, an assistant director for a Russian television programme, confirmed to Euronews that the video showed their film set near St. Petersburg and not Ukrainian military personnel. "The information being given [to Russian citizens] is one-sided, it has nothing to do with reality, it is as badly done as any fake," she told Euronews. Euronews The mannequin was being prepared for a television scene in Vsevolozhsk in Russia's Leningrad region. Euronews Other examples of Ukraine war misinformation have centred on "crisis actors" - people who are supposedly hired to act out the role of terrified or deceased war victims. One false claim suggested that a wellknown beauty blogger had "acted" as the pregnant victim of a deadly attack on a maternity hospital in the city of Mariupol on 9 March. Russia has shifted its stance on the attack, accusing Ukrainian Azov nationalists of staging a "hoax" bombing at a "non-operational" hospital. Its unfounded claims were later removed by both Facebook and Twitter.

LR Prediction: Fake News DT Prediction: Fake News GBC Prediction: Fake News RFC Prediction: Fake News