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## What is Fake News?

A type of yellow journalism, fake news encapsulates pieces of news that may be hoaxes and is generally spread through social media and other online media. This is often done to further or impose certain ideas and is often achieved with political agendas. Such news items may contain false and/or exaggerated claims, and may end up being viralized by algorithms, and users may end up in a filter bubble.

## What is a TfidfVectorizer?

**TF (Term Frequency):** The number of times a word appears in a document is its Term Frequency. A higher value means a term appears more often than others, and so, the document is a good match when the term is part of the search terms.

**IDF (Inverse Document Frequency):** Words that occur many times a document, but also occur many times in many others, may be irrelevant. IDF is a measure of how significant a term is in the entire corpus.

The TfidfVectorizer converts a collection of raw documents into a matrix of TF-IDF features.

## What is a PassiveAggressiveClassifier?

Passive Aggressive algorithms are online learning algorithms. Such an algorithm remains passive for a correct classification outcome, and turns aggressive in the event of a miscalculation, updating and adjusting. Unlike most other algorithms, it does not converge. Its purpose is to make updates that correct the loss, causing very little change in the norm of the weight vector.

## Detecting Fake News with Python

To build a model to accurately classify a piece of news as REAL or FAKE.

## About Detecting Fake News with Python

This advanced python project of detecting fake news deals with fake and real news. Using sklearn, we build a TfidfVectorizer on our dataset. Then, we initialize a PassiveAggressive Classifier and fit the model. In the end, the accuracy score and the confusion matrix tell us how well our model fares.

## The fake news Dataset

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The dataset we'll use for this python project- we'll call it news.csv. This dataset has a shape of 7796×4. The first column identifies the news, the second and third are the title and text, and the fourth column has labels denoting whether the news is REAL or FAKE. The dataset takes up 29.2MB of space and you can *download it here*.

# **Project Prerequisites**

You'll need to install the following libraries with pip:

```
1. pip install numpy pandas sklearn
```

You'll need to install Jupyter Lab to run your code. Get to your command prompt and run the following command:

```
1. C:\Users\DataFlair>jupyter lab
```

You'll see a new browser window open up; create a new console and use it to run your code. To run multiple lines of code at once, press Shift+Enter.

# Steps for detecting fake news with Python

Follow the below steps for detecting fake news and complete your first advanced Python Project –

1. Make necessary imports:

```
    import numpy as np
    import pandas as pd
    import itertools
    from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
    from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
    from sklearn.linear_model import PassiveAggressiveClassifier
    from sklearn.metrics import accuracy_score, confusion_matrix
```

#### **Screenshot:**

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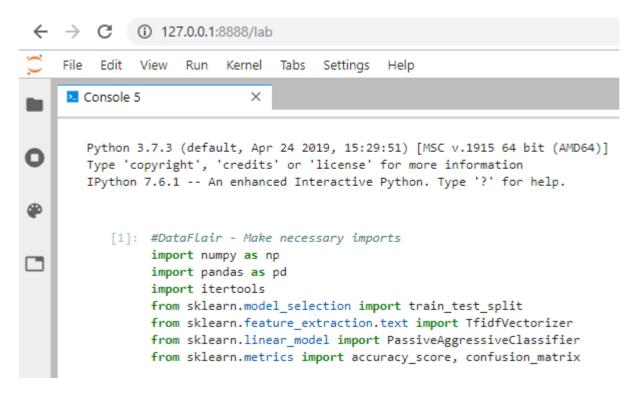
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2. Now, let's read the data into a DataFrame, and get the shape of the data and the first 5 records.

```
1. #Read the data
2. df=pd.read_csv('D:\\DataFlair\\news.csv')
3.
4. #Get shape and head
5. df.shape
6. df.head()
```

#### **Output Screenshot:**

```
[2]: #Read the data
      df=pd.read_csv('D:\\DataFlair\\news.csv')
      #Get shape and head
      df.shape
      df.head()
                                                                    title
         Unnamed: 0
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                          The Battle of New York: Why This Primary Matters
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3. And get the labels from the DataFrame.

```
1. #DataFlair - Get the labels
2. labels=df.label
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4. Split the dataset into training and testing sets.

```
    #DataFlair - Split the dataset
    x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(df['text'], labels, test_size=0.2, random_state=7)
```

#### **Screenshot:**

```
[4]: #DataFlair - Split the dataset
    x_train,x_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(df['text'], labels, test_size=0.2, random_state=7)
```

5. Let's initialize a <u>TfidfVectorizer</u> with stop words from the English language and a maximum document frequency of 0.7 (terms with a higher document frequency will be discarded). Stop words are the most common words in a language that are to be filtered out before processing the natural language data. And a TfidfVectorizer turns a collection of raw documents into a matrix of TF-IDF features.

Now, fit and transform the vectorizer on the train set, and transform the vectorizer on the test set.

```
#DataFlair - Initialize a TfidfVectorizer
tfidf_vectorizer=TfidfVectorizer(stop_words='english', max_df=0.7)

#DataFlair - Fit and transform train set, transform test set
tfidf_train=tfidf_vectorizer.fit_transform(x_train)
tfidf_test=tfidf_vectorizer.transform(x_test)
```

#### **Screenshot:**

```
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6. Next, we'll initialize a PassiveAggressiveClassifier. This is. We'll fit this on tfidf\_train and y\_train.

Then, we'll predict on the <u>test set</u> from the TfidfVectorizer and calculate the accuracy with accuracy\_score() from sklearn.metrics.

```
#DataFlair - Initialize a PassiveAggressiveClassifier

2. pac=PassiveAggressiveClassifier(max_iter=50)

3. pac.fit(tfidf_train,y_train)

4.

5. #DataFlair - Predict on the test set and calculate accuracy

6. y_pred=pac.predict(tfidf_test)

7. score=accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred)

8. print(f'Accuracy: {round(score*100,2)}%')
```

#### **Output Screenshot:**

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    score=accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred)
    print(f'Accuracy: {round(score*100,2)}%')

Accuracy: 92.82%
```

7. We got an accuracy of 92.82% with this model. Finally, let's print out a confusion matrix to gain insight into the number of false and true negatives and positives.

```
#DataFlair - Build confusion matrix
confusion_matrix(y_test,y_pred, labels=['FAKE','REAL'])
```

#### **Output Screenshot:**

So with this model, we have 589 true positives, 587 true negatives, 42 false positives, and 49 false negatives.

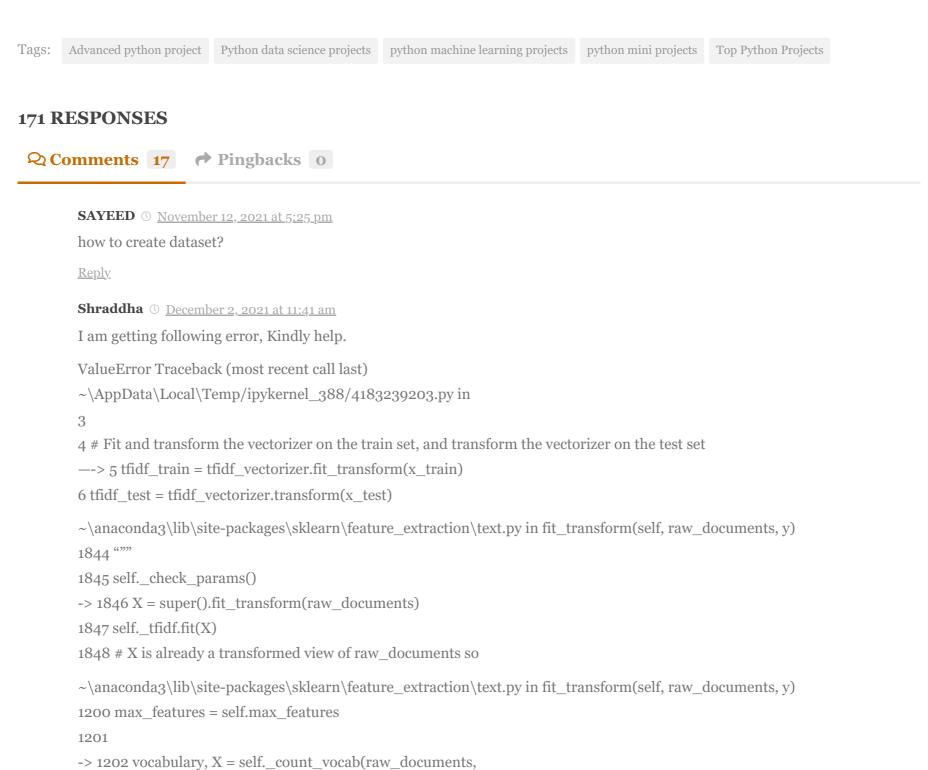
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Today, we learned to detect fake news with Python. We took a political dataset, implemented a TfidfVectorizer, initialized a PassiveAggressiveClassifier, and fit our model. We ended up obtaining an accuracy of 92.82% in magnitude.

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                                             -> 360 return _check_stop_list(self.stop_words)
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                                             ~\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\sklearn\feature_extraction\text.py in _check_stop_list(stop)
                                             177 return ENGLISH_STOP_WORDS
                                             178 elif isinstance(stop, str):
                                             -> 179 raise ValueError("not a built-in stop list: %s" % stop)
                                             180 elif stop is None:
                                             181 return None
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                                             wesam ① December 30, 2021 at 6:27 pm
                                             Do I get the source code please?
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**vishal** ① <u>January 11, 2022 at 9:23 am</u> i didnt get any source code DataFlair Team ① January 11, 2022 at 12:06 pm Source code of this fake news project is published in the article, please copy and use <u>Reply</u>

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Vishwas Kshirsagar 🕚 January 12, 2022 at 12:48 pm
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# So with this model, we have 589 true positives, 587 true negatives, 42 false positives, and 49 false negatives.

this is your statement. I believe you have misinterpreted, you have given (y\_test, pred\_y) in the confusion matrix which justifies 589 is True Negative, 587 True Positive, 49 False Positive and 42 False Negatives.

Please reconfirm.

Thank you for the article it is worth of million.

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Rumman © February 2, 2022 at 4:34 pm

I also have same doubt

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kamlesh zore () January 30, 2022 at 1:10 pm

Hi, can you please help me with below error

ValueError: Found input variables with inconsistent numbers of samples: [5068, 1267]

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**387420489** ① March 19, 2022 at 6:39 pm

How can I use this on other news articles? I mean, if I find an article online and I want to see what percentage chance is there that it's fake news?

Reply

Wangari Thuo 🕚 March 30, 2022 at 10:28 pm

i am getting this error. help

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ModuleNotFoundError Traceback (most recent call last)

- ~\AppData\Local\Temp/ipykernel\_9696/3872586496.py in
- --> 1 import intertools
- 2 from sklearn.model\_selection import train\_test\_split
- 3 from sklearn.feature\_extraction.text import TfidfVectorizer
- 4 from sklearn.linear\_model import PassiveAggressiveClassifier
- 5 from sklearn.metrics import accuracy\_score, confusion\_matrix

ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'intertools'

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**Maiko** ① <u>April 9, 2022 at 3:41 pm</u>

you misspelled itertools as intertools.

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alicia () April 20, 2022 at 12:38 am

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tfidf\_train=tfidf\_vectorizer.fit\_transform(x\_train)
tfidf\_test=tfidf\_vectorizer.transform(x\_test)

I kept receiving an error message when running this

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harikrishnaraj 🔾 May 5, 2022 at 1:54 pm

package install is not check the installation once

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**Hassan** ① <u>June 19, 2022 at 12:43 am</u>

How to give input to model for prediction

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**Pierre** ① <u>July 13, 2022 at 5:40 am</u>

Hello,

If I understood correctly, we have a dataset with a text and a label to know if the text is truthful or sensationalist. One of the methods to find the truthfulness of a text is to calculate the frequency of words in the text.

What I don't understand is what we are supposed to do with it. And how the PassiveAggressiveClassifier impacts this.

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Mohammad Salameh O August 27, 2022 at 11:13 pm

I have this as project for a data mining course, I hate my professor, but thank you all for the article it really helped a lot <3

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ae ① December 8, 2022 at 7:26 pm

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