



# FAKE NEWS DETECTOR USING MACHINE LEARNING

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## Abstract

The advent of the World Wide Web and the rapid adoption of social media platforms paved the way for information dissemination that has never been witnessed in the human history before. With the current usage of social media platforms, consumers are creating and sharing more information than ever before, some of which are misleading with no relevance to reality. In this work, we propose to use machine learning ensemble approach for automated classification

of news articles.

## 1. Introduction

The advent of the World Wide Web and the rapid adoption of social media platforms (such as Facebook and Twitter) paved the way for information dissemination that has never been witnessed in the human history before. Besides other use cases, news outlets benefitted from the widespread use of social media platforms by providing

updated news in near real time to its subscribers..

## 2. Literature Survey

Indrajit Saha<sup>1</sup>, Khushboo Agarwal, [1] proposed fake news, especially on online social networks (OSNs), has become a matter of concern in the last few years. These platforms are also used for propagating other important authentic information. Thus, there is a need for mitigating fake news without significantly influencing the spread of real



news. We leverage users' inherent capabilities of identifying fake news and propose a

warning-based control mechanism to curb this spread.

MUHAMMAD UMER, ZAINAB IMTIAZ[2] Proposed Society and individuals are negatively influenced both politically and socially by the widespread increase of fake news either way generated by humans or machines. In the era of social networks, the quick rotation of news makes it challenging to evaluate its reliability promptly. Therefore, automated fake news detection tools have become a crucial requirement. To address the aforementioned issue, a hybrid Neural Network architecture, that combines the capabilities of CNN and LSTM, is used with two different dimensionality reduction approaches, Principle Component Analysis (PCA) and Chi-Square.

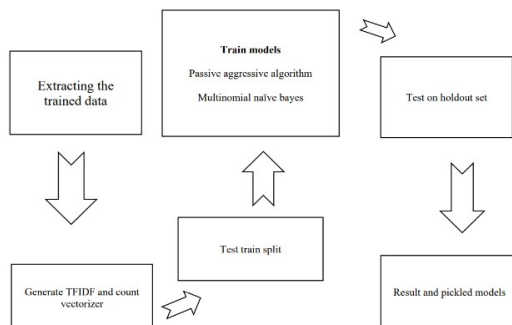
Rahul R, Mandical D, [3] proposed a system to handle Fake news has been a problem ever since the internet boomed.

The very network that allows us to know what is happening globally is the perfect breeding ground for malicious and fake news. Combating this fake news is important because the world's view is shaped by information. People not only make important decisions based on information but also form their own opinions. If this information is false it can have devastating consequences. Verifying each news one by one by a human

GYU SANG CHOI, AND BYUNGWON [4] proposed a The (time) asymptotic proportions of the individual populations are derived using stochastic approximation tools. These results are instrumental in deriving relevant type-1, type-2 performance measures, and formulating an optimization problem to design optimal warning parameters. We derive structural properties of the performance, which reduce the complexity of the optimization problem.

### System Design

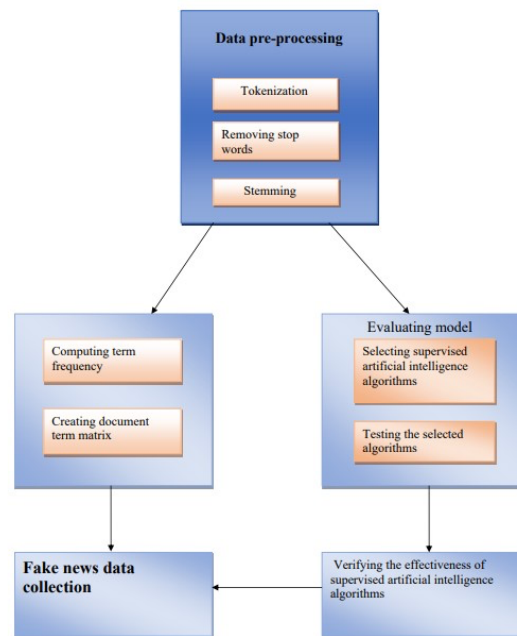
The utmost contribution of this work is to propose a feature reduction techniques along with hybrid deep learning models, involving two neural network layers, i.e., CNN and LSTM. The proposed approach produces higher predictive performance when compared to the traditional deep learning models. Test on holdout set Result and pickled models Extracting the trained data Train models Passive aggressive algorithm Multinomial naïve bayes Generate TFIDF and count vectorizer Test train split



In the first model, all the features are used without pre-processing for classification. In the second model Model third and

fourth is developed by using dimensionality reduction techniques including PCA and Chi-square.

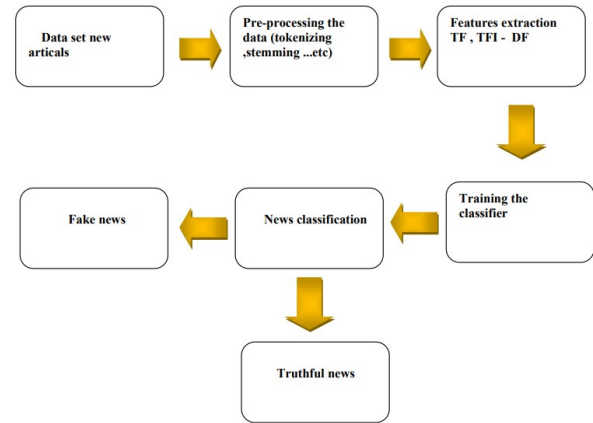
This work further investigates which of these models are most suited for being used in conjunction with hybrid CNN and LSTM model when dealing with text data. After the features are selected by any of the four models discussed above, the selected features are fed to the CNNLSTM architecture.



The first layer of the model is the embedding layer that accepts the input headlines and article bodies and converts



each word into a vector of size 100. The number of features is 5000, thus, this layer will output a matrix of size  $5000 * 100$ . The output matrix will contain weights that we get through matrix multiplication, to produces a vector for each word. These vectors are passed to the CNN layer to extract contextual features.



Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is a widely used technique that uses a linear transformation to reduce the dimensions of a feature set. The resulting dataset is simplified but it retains the characteristics of the original data set. The new dataset might have an equal or lesser number of features than the original dataset. The covariance matrix is used to compute the principal components.

These components are arranged in decreasing order of importance. On the other hand, in feature extraction methods, a new assume that the original matrix comprises 'a' dimensions and 'b' observations and it is required to reduce the dimensionality into a 't' dimensional subspace then its transformation can be given by the following equation.

### 3. Implementation

There is increasing evidence that consumers have reacted absurdly to news that later proved to be fake. One recent case is the spread of novel corona virus, where fake reports spread over the Internet about the origin, nature, and behaviour of the virus. The situation worsened as more people read about the

fake contents online. Identifying such news online is a daunting task.

**Predicting with the model:**

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[ ] def pad_to_size(vec,size):
Zero =[0]*(size-len(vec))
Vec.extend(zeros) return
vec
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**Running code; #import statements from**

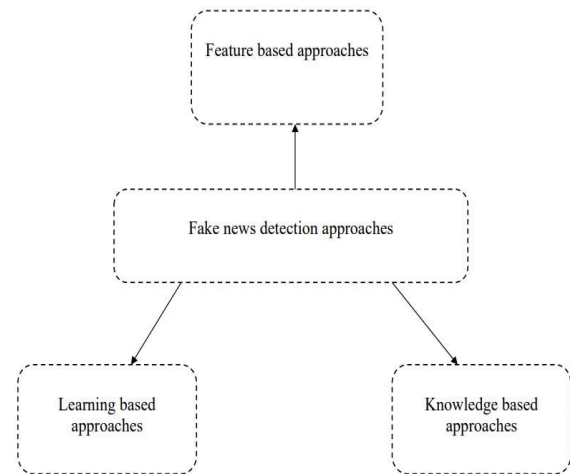
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sklearn.feature_extraction.text import
Tfidfvectorizer
##Declaring a vectoriser
Tfidf_vect=Tfidfvectorizer(analyzer=cle
an_text)
##Fitting the vectorizer
Tfidf_vect_fit=tfidf_vect.fit(X_train[‘tex
t’])
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**Splitting Dataset:**

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#import statetments
From sklearn>model_selection import
train_test_split
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**Vectorizing The Corpus using thidfvectorizer; sklearn.**

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Feature_extraction.text import
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**Training Models;**

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Epoch 1/2
1404/1404[=====]-2324s
2s/step -loss;0.0464-acc:0.9817
Epoch 2/2
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2341s 2s/step-loss;0.0019-acc:0.9998
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To accomplish the extraction of features from the corpus, we used tool which classifies the text into different discrete and continuous variables, some of which are mentioned above. LIWC tool extracts 93 different features from any given text.

As all of the features extracted using the tool are numerical values, no encoding is required for categorical variables.

**Fake News Detector**

Enter test article for prediction  
  
Submit

Here while running our project the new web page will get open in that, user can enter the information, which he want to know the information is real or fake.

**Fake News Detector**

Enter test article for prediction  
Tamil Nadu Assembly Elections | 10.5% quota for Vanniyars permanent: Tamil Nadu Law Minister  
Submit



Here our project identifying the news is fake or real

**Conclusion and Future Enhancement**

The task of classifying news manually requires in-depth knowledge of the domain and expertise to identify anomalies in the text. In this research, we discussed the problem of classifying fake news articles using machine learning models and ensemble techniques.

The data we used in our work is collected from the World Wide Web and contains news articles from various domains to cover most of the news rather than specifically classifying political news.

The primary aim of the research is to identify patterns in text that differentiate fake articles from true news. We extracted different textual features from the articles using an LIWC tool and used the feature set as an input to the models. The learning models were trained and parameter-tuned to obtain optimal accuracy. Some models



have achieved comparatively higher accuracy than others.

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