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An efficient fake news classification model based on ensemble deep learning techniques

Un modelo eficiente de clasificación de noticias falsas basado en técnicas de aprendizaje profundo ensemble

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ABSTRACT

The availability and expansion of social media has made it difficult to distinguish between fake and real news. Information falsification has exponentially increased as a result of how simple it is to spread information through sharing. Social media dependability is also under jeopardy due to the extensive dissemination of false information. Therefore, it has become a research problem to automatically validate information, specifically source, content, and publisher, to identify it as true or false. Despite its limitations, machine learning (ML) has been crucial in the categorization of information. Previous studies suggested three-step methods for categorising false information on social media. In the first step of the process, the data set is subjected to a number of pre-processing processes in order to transform unstructured data sets into structured data sets. The unknowable properties of fake news and the features are extracted by the Lexicon Model in the second stage. In the third stage of this research project, a feature selection method by WOA (Whale Optimization Algorithm) for weight value to tune the classification part. Finally, a Hybrid Classification model that is hybrid with a fuzzy based Convolutional Neural Network and kernel based support vector machine is constructed in order to identify the data pertaining to bogus news. However using single classifier for fake news detection produces the insufficient accuracy. To overcome this issue in this work introduced an improved model for fake news classification. To turn unstructured data sets into structured data sets, a variety of pre-processing operations are used on the data set in the initial phase of the procedure. The unknowable properties of fake news and the features are extracted by the Lexicon Model in the second stage. In the third stage of this research project, a feature selection method by COA (Coati Optimization Algorithm) for weight value to tune the classification part. Finally, an ensemble of RNN (Recurrent Neural Networks), VGG-16 and ResNet50. A classification model was developed to recognise bogus news information. Evaluate each fake news analysis' performance in terms of accuracy, precision, recall, and F1 score. The suggested model, out of all the methodologies taken into consideration in this study, provides the highest outcomes, according to experimental findings.

Keywords: Fake News Classification; Whale Optimization Algorithm; Lexicon Model; Ensemble Learning.

RESUMEN

La disponibilidad y expansión de las redes sociales ha dificultado la distinción entre noticias falsas y reales. La falsificación de información ha aumentado exponencialmente como consecuencia de lo sencillo que resulta difundir información compartiéndola. La fiabilidad de los medios sociales también está en peligro debido a la amplia difusión de información falsa. Por ello, se ha convertido en un problema de investigación validar automáticamente la información, en concreto la fuente, el contenido y el editor, para identificarla

como verdadera o falsa. A pesar de sus limitaciones, el aprendizaje automático (AM) ha sido crucial en la categorización de la información. Estudios anteriores propusieron métodos de tres pasos para categorizar la información falsa en las redes sociales. En el primer paso del proceso, el conjunto de datos se somete a una serie de procesos de preprocesamiento para transformar conjuntos de datos no estructurados en conjuntos de datos estructurados. En la segunda etapa, el modelo de léxico extrae las propiedades desconocidas de las noticias falsas y sus características. En la tercera etapa de este proyecto de investigación, un método de selección de características por WOA (Whale Optimization Algorithm) para el valor de peso para afinar la parte de clasificación. Por último, se construye un modelo de clasificación híbrido con una red neuronal convolucional basada en fuzzy y una máquina de vectores de soporte basada en kernel para identificar los datos pertenecientes a noticias falsas. Sin embargo, el uso de un único clasificador para la detección de noticias falsas produce una precisión insuficiente. Para superar este problema, en este trabajo se introduce un modelo mejorado para la clasificación de noticias falsas. Para convertir conjuntos de datos no estructurados en conjuntos de datos estructurados, se utilizan diversas operaciones de preprocesamiento en el conjunto de datos en la fase inicial del procedimiento. En la segunda fase, el modelo de léxico extrae las propiedades desconocidas de las noticias falsas y sus características. En la tercera etapa de este proyecto de investigación, un método de selección de características por COA (Coati Optimization Algorithm) para el valor de peso para afinar la parte de clasificación. Por último, se desarrolló un conjunto de RNN (Redes Neuronales Recurrentes), VGG-16 y ResNet50. Un modelo de clasificación para reconocer la información de noticias falsas. Se evaluó el rendimiento de cada análisis de noticias falsas en términos de exactitud, precisión, recall y puntuación F1. El modelo sugerido, de entre todas las metodologías tomadas en consideración en este estudio, proporciona los resultados más altos, de acuerdo con los hallazgos experimentales.

Palabras clave: Clasificación de Noticias Falsas; Algoritmo de Optimización Whale; Modelo Léxico; Aprendizaje Ensemble.

INTRODUCTION

Access to information has been easier because to recent developments in communication and mobile technologies, as well as the widespread usage of the Internet. The uncontrolled growth of web-based life apps and the competition among international organisations to exchange and broadcast news information in the sphere of social communication have also had an impact on the accuracy of the data. Social media platforms have recently risen to prominence as important information providers. Low price, quick access, simplicity of use, and availability across all digital platforms, including computers, cellphones, iPods, and other devices, are crucial aspects in the market be unique.^(1,2)

Fake news implies spread of false information on social media with the intention of confusing or misinforming readers in order to further commercial or political objectives.⁽³⁾ Additionally, the sector of news authoring and distribution is seeing an increase in a variety of players, which has produced news articles that are hard to determine whether they are legitimate or not. Researchers from academia and business are searching for solutions to halt the massive dissemination of false information on social media.^(4,5)

The extensive use of fake news leading up to the 2016 US presidential election is thought to be a contentious subject that influences public opinion.⁽⁶⁾ The propagation of false information on social media at an accelerated rate significantly raises the possibility of a catastrophic effect. As a result, the transmission of false information is a worldwide issue, and several nations have made it illegal to produce and disseminate false information online. Current content-based analytics techniques are thought to be challenged by the automatic detection of fake news.⁽⁷⁾

There is an urgent need to develop ML approaches to detect fake news. Other methods for detecting false news have also been employed, along with traditional and deep learning (DL) models.^(8,9) These techniques may be divided into three groups based on their content, social context, and transmission. Due to their unique feature extraction abilities, existing neural network models have beaten conventional models in terms of performance, but these techniques are still unable to identify bogus news, breaking news, and emergency situations.⁽¹⁰⁾

A three-step method for categorising false information on social media was presented in order to circumvent this issue in previous research. In the first step of the process, the data set is subjected to a number of pre-processing processes in order to transform unstructured data sets into structured data sets. The unknowable properties of fake news and the features are extracted by the Lexicon Model in the second stage. In the third stage of this research project, a feature selection method by WOA for weight value to tune the classification part. Finally, a HYbrid Classification model that is hybrid with a fuzzy based Convolutional Neural Network and

kernel based support vector machine is constructed in order to identify the data pertaining to bogus news. However using single classifier for fake news detection produces the insufficient accuracy.

To overcome this issue in this work introduced an improved model for fake news classification. To turn unstructured data sets into structured data sets, a variety of pre-processing operations are used on the data set in the initial phase of the procedure. The unknowable properties of fake news and the features are extracted by the Lexicon Model in the second stage. In the third stage of this research project, a feature selection method by COA for weight value to tune the classification part. Finally, an ensemble of Recurrent Neural Network(RNN), VGG-16 and ResNet50classification models is constructed in order to identify the data pertaining to bogus news.

Related works

Jain et al.⁽¹¹⁾ shown ways of identifying bogus news with their proposed model. In an effort to aggregate news, ML and natural language processing (NLP) were used. Support Vector Machine (SVM) then identifies whether the news is authentic or fraudulent. The suggested models outcomes were compared with other models where the suggested model functioned effectively and could predict results with an accuracy of up to 93,6 %.

Mandical et al.⁽¹²⁾ proposed a method that is capable of accurately categorising false news is an attempt to speed up identifications of fake news. ML techniques including Naive Bayes (NB), Active Passive Classifier, and Deep Neural Network were used on eight different datasets collected from various sources. This work also included analysis and results of models. The use of appropriate models and techniques can reduce burdens of identifying fake news.

PCA (Principal component analysis) and chi squared were utilized by Umer et al.⁽¹³⁾ in tandem with hybrid neural network architecture, which blends CNN and LSTM capabilities. This work proposes to use dimensionality reduction techniques to reduce the sizes of feature vectors before sending them to the classifier. In order to construct the logic, this study employed a dataset from the Fake News Challenge website with four different forms of positions: agree, disagree, debate, and irrelevant. More contextual characteristics for fake news identification are provided by transferring non-linear variables to PCA and chi-square. The goal of this inquiry was to determine an article's position with respect to its title. The accuracy and F1 scores of the suggested model increase results by approximately 4 % and 20 %, respectively. With an accuracy of 97,8, the experimental findings demonstrate that PCA works better than the peak approach and the Chi-squared method.

A synthetic classification model to identify fake news was proposed by Hakak et al.⁽¹⁴⁾ and the model showed more accuracy than the current model. The suggested approach takes significant elements from the fake news dataset, and subsequently classifies the retrieved characteristics using an aggregate model composed of three popular machine learning models: decision trees, random forests, and additional tree classification. We obtained training and test accuracy of 99,8 % and 44,15 % on the Liar dataset, respectively. For the IOT dataset, we achieved 100 % training and testing accuracy.

Khalil et al.⁽¹⁵⁾ presented the first significant library of Arabic fake news, which included 606 912 pieces gathered from 134 Arabic-language internet news sites. The reliability, unreliability, and ambiguity of news sources are classified using an Arabic fact-checking tool. Additionally, several ML techniques are used to the detection job. DL models outperform more conventional ML models, according to tests. The missing and overmatched pages issues in the model training suggest that the corpus is still noisy and challenging.

Granik et al.⁽¹⁶⁾ suggested a straightforward Bayesian classifier technique to identify bogus news. This strategy is put into practise as a software system and examined using a sample of Facebook news postings. Given the relative simplicity of the model, we were able to attain a classification accuracy of roughly 74 % on the test set. Several methods, which are also covered in the article, can be used to enhance these outcomes. The findings gained demonstrate that using artificial intelligence techniques, the issue of identifying bogus news may be resolved.

Saleh et al.⁽¹⁷⁾ describe the OPCNN-false model of an optimised convolutional neural network for the detection of fake news. Using four point datasets representing fake news standards, the performance of OPCNN-FAKE is compared to that of RNN, LSTM (Long Short Term Memory), and six classical ML techniques: DT (Decision Tree), LR (Logistic Regression), KNN (K Nearest Neighbour), RF (Random Forest), SVM, and NB. Mesh search and hyperopt optimisation techniques were used to optimise parameters of ML and DL . In addition, N-grams and Term Frequency–Inverse Document Frequency (TF-IDF) were used to extract features from the reference dataset for classical machine learning while integrating from Gloves. Hand is used to represent features as a feature matrix for DL models. The results were validated using accuracy, precision, recovery, and F1 measurement to evaluate OPCNN-FAKE's performance. The outcomes demonstrate that, when compared to other models, the OPCNN-FAKE model performs the best for each set of data. Additionally, OPCNN-false outperforms other models in test and cross-validation results, showing that it is substantially more effective than other models in identifying fake news.

Proposed methodology

The suggested model is covered in detail in this section. The proposed model is divided into four phases: preprocessing, feature extraction based on the Lexicon Model, feature selection via the Coati Optimisation Algorithm, and ensemble learning for fake news detection based on the Recurrent Neural Network (RNN), VGG-16, and ResNet50 models. Overall architecture of the proposed model is shown in figure 1.

Data Collection

The datasets that were utilized in this research are publicly accessible and may be downloaded at no cost online. The information comes from a variety of sources and contains both fake and genuine news stories. While fake news websites make untrue claims, legitimate news reports accurately describe events. Politifact.com and Snopes.com are useful for fact-checking, many of those publications' political statements may be carefully examined for consistency. The "ISOT Fake News Dataset", which includes both real and fraudulent items pulled from the Internet, is the dataset utilized in this research. The real stories come from reuters.com, a well-known news website, while the false ones originate from a variety of sources, mostly from sites that politifact.com classifies as frauds. There are 44 898 articles in all, 21 417 of which are accurate, and 23 481 of which are false. The entire database contains articles on a range of subjects, but political news is the most popular one.

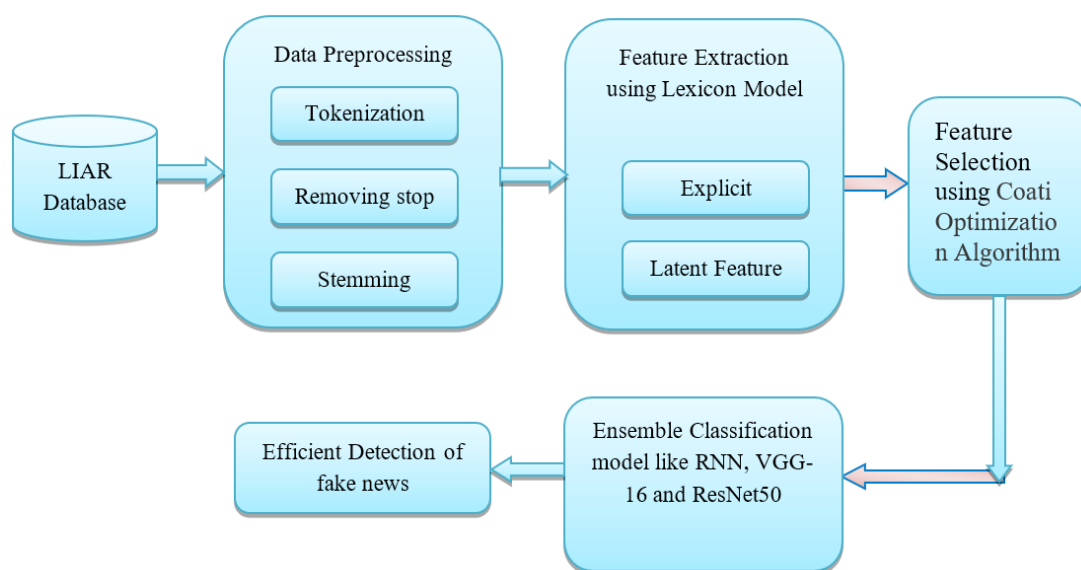


Figure.1 The suggested Model's overall architecture

Data Pre-processing

Before training and analyzing the data using a model, pre-processing the data is often the initial step. The quality of ML algorithms depends on the data they are fed. For there to be enough consistency to provide the best outcomes, it is essential that data be structured correctly and that important characteristics be included. As shown in, normalizing picture inputs and dimensions reductions are only two of the several stages involved in pre-processing the data for computer vision ML algorithms. They are intended to reduce some of the insignificant details that serve as visual cues for various images. The job of identifying the picture does not benefit from features like brightness or darkness. Similar to this, certain text passages are useless for determining if a passage is authentic or not.

Tokenization

As part of the tokenization process, all punctuation is removed from the textual data and the provided text is divided into tokens, or smaller units. In order to exclude phrases that include numbers, the number filter has been implemented. To change text data to lowercase or uppercase, the case converter has been employed. All of the words have been changed to lowercase in this document. Last but not least, the words with less than N characters have been removed in this phase using the N-chars filter.

Stop-words removal

While they are commonly employed to finish sentences and link phrases, stop words are not crucial terms. Language-specific terms, these ones don't convey any knowledge. Prepositions, pronouns, and conjunctions are examples of stop words. There are between 400 to 500 stop words in English. Stop words include terms like "a," "five," "about," "by," "but," "this," "done," "on," "above," "once," "then," "until," "again," "when," "where," "what,"

"everything," "me and," "anyone," "against," etc.

Stemming

This procedure reduces a word's various grammatical forms to its fundamental form. Finding the fundamental form of words with the same meaning but distinct word forms is a process known as root finding. For instance, words like "connected", "connected", "connected", "connected", and "connected" can be used to create the phrase "connected". Preprocessing steps for data are included in algorithm 1.

Algorithm 1. Preprocessing process

- Input: Given textual data
Output: Pre processed data
1. Textual data without numbers
 2. Remove all punctuation from text data
 3. Characters with the character < N should be filtered out
 4. Convert textual data's case
 5. Delete all stop words
 6. Stem textual data

Feature Extraction

The characteristics will be extracted after preprocessing. Reducing the amount of resources needed to explain a big data collection is the goal of feature extraction. One of the primary issues when analysing complicated data is the sheer volume of variables. An analysis with a lot of variables frequently needs a lot of memory and processing resources. Additionally, it may result in the classification system being overfit to training examples and having trouble generalising to new samples. A way of creating combinations of variables that avoid these issues while accurately characterising data is known as feature extraction. We concentrate on the lexical model for the feature extraction idea in the proposed study.

LexiconModel

About 6 300 terms are included in the built-in vocabulary. It was personally made with the help of Vader Sentiment as a guide. The emotional values of each word in the lexicon range from 100 (the most positive) to 100 (the least positive). According to empirical research, some positive and negative words can occasionally emerge in sentences with a neutral meaning. Alternatively we estimate a conditional probability P as shown in the equation for each word in the lexicon. First:

$$\begin{aligned} p(\text{positive} \setminus w) & \text{ for positive } w \\ p(\text{negative} \setminus w) & \text{ for negative } w \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

For each positive phrase, the likelihood that a random message containing this word is positive is assessed using a labelled data set. For each negative term, the likelihood is also evaluated. And to see if using this knowledge in the process of emotional categorization may assist in dealing with messages that include mixed emotions (both positive and negative). Random selection is used to choose a sample of 100 000 good and 100 000 negative news stories. The frequency of each word in the lexicon, represented by the letter w , is then determined for the chosen positive and negative messages. The conditional probability is computed as given in the equation based on positivity or negativity of words.

$$\begin{aligned} p(\text{positive} \setminus w) & = (P(\text{Positive} \cap w)) / (p(w)) = \#(w_p) / \#w \quad (2) \\ p(\text{negative} \setminus w) & = (P(\text{negative} \cap w)) / (p(w)) = \#(w_N) / \#w \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

Where $\#w_p$ and $\#w_N$ stand for message counts from the sample that contains word w and are positive and negative, respectively. To calculate the likelihood of positive and negative words, respectively, two formulae are utilised. This method is done numerous times to provide more precise findings, and the vocabulary contains the average probability that was found for each word. the likelihood that the data will be sent to the next associative classification model.

Feature Selection using Coati Optimization Algorithm (COA)

COA is a recently suggested meta-heuristic algorithm that mimics the properties of natural coatis. The fundamental purpose of COA is to mimic two essential coati behaviours: approaching and hunting iguanas, as well as dodging hunters. Coatis, sometimes known as coatimundis, are omnivorous animals that eat small vertebrates as well as invertebrates. Notably, a sizable portion of the coatis' diet consists of green iguana.

Owing to their arboreal lifestyle, coatis usually hunt in groups and scavenge for iguanas in trees. When the coatis hunt, some members of the group may climb trees to frighten the iguana into jumping to the ground, while others may move quickly to attack it. Nevertheless, coatis are susceptible to assaults from hunters and huge raptors despite their successful predation strategies. The COA algorithm aims to simulate the coatis' behaviors. The following subsections summarize the mathematical model of COA algorithm.

Stage 1: initialization

Each coati's location in the search space corresponds to the decision variable values, and each location is a suggested solution to the optimization problem. The COA begins by randomly initializing the coatis' positions in the search space using equation 4.

$$P_{i,j} = p_{min_j} + \text{random}().(P_{max_j} - P_{min_j}), i=1,2,\dots,M, j=1,2,\dots,n. \quad (4)$$

Where P_i represents the placement of i th coati in search space; $p_{i,j}$ refers to the j th dimension. P_{max_j} and P_{min_j} define the upper and lower bounds of the j th dimension respectively, and $\text{random}()$ generates a random real number between 0 and 1. Equation 5 shows a population matrix of the coatis.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ \vdots \\ P_M \end{bmatrix}_{M \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{1,1} & P_{1,2} & \dots & P_{1,n} \\ P_{2,1} & P_{2,2} & \dots & P_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ P_{M,1} & P_{M,2} & \dots & P_{M,n} \end{bmatrix}_{M \times n} \quad (5)$$

Coatis use this matrix to update their positions. Each location is a possible solution, and it is evaluated by using an objective function as shown in equation 6.

$$F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ \vdots \\ F_M \end{bmatrix}_{M \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} F(P_1) \\ F(P_2) \\ \vdots \\ F(P_M) \end{bmatrix}_{M \times 1} \quad (6)$$

Where F represents a vector of the computed objective function and F_i , where $i = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$ is the value obtained using objective function according for the i th coati.

Stage 2-exploration: a strategy for hunting and attacking iguanas

This stage simulates a collection of coatis climb a tree with the intent to intimidate an iguana, while some remain on the ground awaiting the moment when the iguana falls. Once the iguana falls, the coatis attack and hunt it. This strategy allows the coatis to explore various locations in the search space, which showcases their ability to explore globally when solving problems. The COA algorithm assumes that the optimal coati of the population is located at the same location as the iguana. In addition, it is supposed that fifty percent of the coatis are ascending the tree, while the others are patiently waiting for the iguana to plummet to the earth. To mathematically simulate the position of the coatis climbing up the tree, Equation 7 is utilized.

$$P_i^{P^1} : p_{i,j}^{P^1} = p_{i,j} + \text{random}().(Iguana_j - P_{i,j}), \text{ for } i = \{1, 2, \dots, \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor\}, \text{ and } j = \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \quad (7)$$

$$Iguana^\varphi : Iguana_j^\varphi = P_{min_j} + \text{random}().(P_{max_j} - P_{min_j}), j = \{1, 2, \dots, m\} \quad (8)$$

$$P_i^{P^1} : p_{i,j}^{P^1} = \begin{cases} p_{i,j} + \text{random}().(Iguana_j^\varphi - P_{i,j}), & \text{if } F_{Iguana^\varphi} < F_i \\ p_{i,j} + \text{random}().(P_{i,j} - Iguana_j^\varphi), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

for $i = \{\lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 1, \lfloor N/2 \rfloor + 2, \dots, N\}$ and $j = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$

Where $\text{random}()$ generates a random real number between 0 and 1. The position of the best member, Iguana, in the search space is represented by the variable 'Iguana', with its j th dimension being $Iguana_j$. An integer ' φ ' is randomly picked from the set $\{1, 2\}$. The location of the iguana on the ground is randomly computed and represented by $Iguana^\varphi$, with its j th dimension being $Iguana_j^\varphi$ and its objective function value being $F(Iguana^\varphi)$. The floor function (also called greatest integer function) is denoted by $\lfloor . \rfloor$.

If the new location of each coati leads to an improvement in the objective function value, then it is considered acceptable for the update process. However, if there is no improvement, the coati will remain in its previous location. This condition applies to all N coatis, which is simulated using equation 8.

$$P_i = \begin{cases} p_{i,j}^{p1}, & \text{if } (F_i^{P1} < F_i) \\ p_i, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

The *i*th coati's new location, $p(i,j)^{p1}$ is computed using the value of its *j*th dimension, $p(i,j)^{p1}$ and its objective function value, $F(i,j)^{P1}$.

Phase 3-exploitation: a process of escaping from predators

This stage of updating coatis' location in the search space is designed to imitate coatis' natural behavior when facing hunters and fleeing from them. When a predator attacks a coati, it quickly moves away from its current location to a safer one. Coatis move in such a way as to end up in a secure location close to their current location, demonstrating their proficiency in finding local solutions. In order to imitate the coatis' behavior, a new location is created randomly near their present position using equations 11 and 12.

$$P_i^{P2} : p_{i,j}^{p2} = p_{i,j} + (1 - 2\text{random}()) \cdot (P_{min_j}^{local}) + \text{random}() \cdot (P_{max_j}^{local} - P_{min_j}^{local}) \quad (11)$$

$$i = \{1, 2, \dots, N\} \text{ and } j = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$$

$$P_{min_j}^{local} = P_{min_j} / \text{Iter}, P_{max_j}^{local} = P_{max_j} / \text{Iter}, \text{ where } \text{Iter} = \{1, 2, \dots, \text{MaxIter}\} \quad (12)$$

If the value of the objective function enhances, which is represented by Equation 11, then the recently computed location is considered satisfactory.

$$P_i = \begin{cases} p_{i,j}^{p2} & \text{if } (F_i^{P2} < F_i) \\ p_i, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

Where $p(i,j)$ represents the updated position of the *i*th coati computed during this stage of COA.

Its *j*th dimension is denoted as $p(i,j)^{p2}$ and its objective function value is represented by F_i^{P2} . $\text{random}()$ generates random numbers in the interval $[0, 1]$ along with iteration counters "Iter". $P_{min_j}^{local}$ and $P_{max_j}^{local}$ represent the local lower and upper bounds of the *j*th decision variable, respectively. Similarly, P_{min_j} and P_{max_j} refer to the lower and upper bounds of the *j*th decision variable, respectively.

Repetition process

The completion of an iteration of COA occurs once all coatis in the search space have had their positions updated according to the second and third stages. The population is then updated using equations 5 through 11 and the process is repeated until the final iteration of the algorithm. At the end of the entire COA run, the output returned is the best solution obtained overall iterations.

Start COA

1. Enter information about the optimization problem.
2. Determine iteration counts *T* and overlay counts *N*.
3. Initialize the positions of all overlays according to Equation 1 and evaluate the objective function for this initial population.
4. For $t = 1:T$
5. Update the location of the iguana based on the location of the best member of the population
6. Phase 1: Iguana hunting and attacking strategy (Discovery phase)
7. For $i = 1: \lfloor N/2 \rfloor$
8. Compute new positions for *i*th layers using equation (6)
9. Update the position of the *i*th layer using equation (9)
10. End for
11. Phase 2: Predator escape process (exploit phase)
12. Compute local limits of variables using equation (10)
13. For $i = 1:N$
14. Compute positions of *i*th layers using equation (10)
15. End for
16. Save best candidate solutions obtained so far
17. End for
18. Output best solutions obtained by COA for the given problem.
19. Terminate COA execution.

Classification using Ensemble DL(EDL)

After feature selection classification is done in this work using Ensemble of RNN , VGG16 and ResNet50.

RNN

The standard feedback neural network is extended by a layer of artificial neural networks called RNN. RNN, unlike feedback neural networks, can process successive inputs as it contains recurrent hidden states which are activated at steps based on prior steps. This is one way that the network might exhibit dynamic behaviour over time.^(18,19) A conventional RNN model consists of three layers: an input layer, a hidden layer (core network), and an output layer (see Figure 2). Processing units (neurons) of the hidden layer are linked to one another by weighted synapses (connection weights).

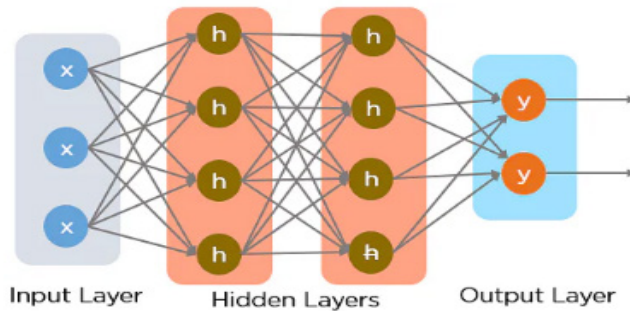


Figure 2. Recurrent Neural Network

VGG-16 model

According to figure 3, the VGG16 model is a convolutional neural network model with thirteen convolutional layers. (C1, C2, C3 through C13) as well as FC-6, FC-7, and FC-8, three completely linked layers. In order to enhance depth, the VGG16 lattice contour only employs convolutional layers with 3 x 3 kernel sizes. The first convolutional layer's feed input in the pre-trained model is sent through a stack of convolutional layers (13 convolutional layers) with a kernel size of three by three. The pooling layer is followed by many convolutional layers, max with 2x2 filter size. The three layers are fully linked after configuring all of the convolutional layers, and then various depths in various formats are applied. The first two layers have 4096 channels total and are fully interconnected, whereas the third FC layer uses 1000-way ILSVRC classification and has 1 000 channels.^(20,21)

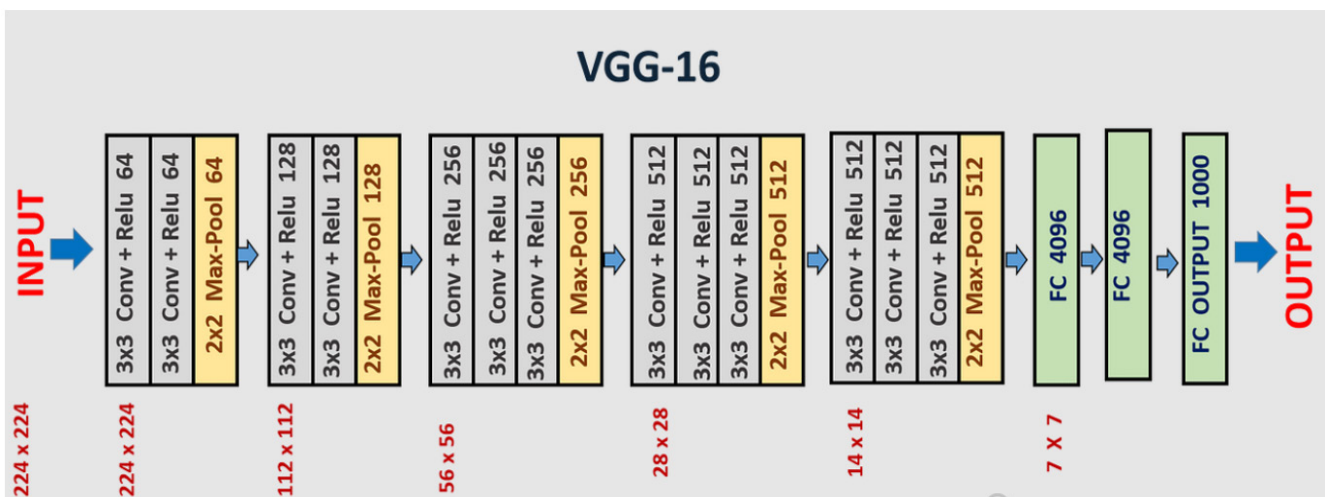


Figure 3. VGG-16 architecture

ResNet50

ResNet-50 is a ResNet version with 50 layers (48 convolutional layers, 1 MaxPool layer, and 1 average group layer) as shown in figure 4, ResNet-50 transmits three distinct layer types. Reducing connections instead of using convolutional layer blocks is the basic idea underlying residual networks, or ResNets. The "bottleneck" that acts as the building block is governed by two simple design principles: layers with the same number of

filters for the same output feature map size, and the number of filters will double if the feature map size is halved.^(22,23) Figure 3 shows the ResNet-50 architecture.

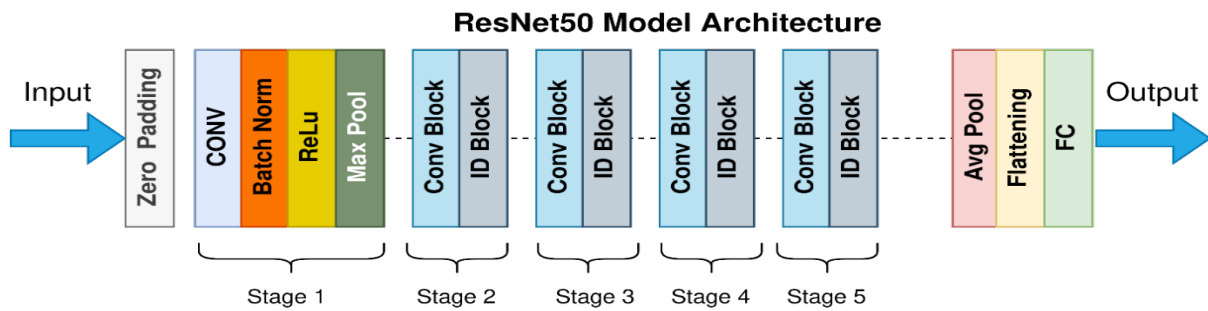


Figure 4. ResNet-50 architecture

Ensemble learning using MV (Majority Votes)

MVs are decision-making techniques that have been retrieved from RNN, VGG-16, and Resnet-50 classifiers that have been run n times, independently, and disaggregated, producing additional options each time. Assume that N examples make up set, and Q classes make up set C. Let us define an algorithm set $S = \{A_1, A_2, A_M\}$ which contains the M classifiers used for the voting. Each example $x \in x$ is assigned to have one of the Q classes. The time classifier will generate a distinct forecast for every case. Each instance is finally classified according to the classification that most classifiers (those with the highest votes) anticipated for that particular occurrence. Each vote in the MV is given a weight based on the Acc value of the classifier’s prediction accuracy. A class c_k ’s total votes are equal to:

$$T_k = \sum_{l=1}^M Acc(A_l) \times F_k(c_l) \quad (14)$$

$$F_k(c_l) = \begin{cases} 1 & c_l = c_k \\ 0 & c_l \neq c_k \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

Where, c_l and c_k are C’s classes. Courses with highest weights are selected. The highest classification rates for classifying data as positive and negative were obtained overall when all classifiers were trained on various independent training sets and given weights.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This model is implemented in Matlab. This work uses the ISOT fake news dataset to train ensemble learning models. This work considers the existing CSI, CNN, HFEM-CNN and WOA-HYC and the proposed EDL for assessing performance measures, including f1 score, accuracy, precision, and recall. Real and fraudulent news pieces are both included in the collection. Table 1 shows the article size and kind by category for the ISOT Dataset.

Table 1. Article size and kind by category for the ISOT Dataset

News type	Size	Subject	
		Type	Size
Real-News	21 417	World-News	10 145
		Politics-News	11 272
Fake-News	23 481	Government-News	1570
		Middle-east	778
		US News	783
		Left-News	4459
		Politics	6841
		News	9050

Evaluation metrics

The proportion of properly identified positive observations to all of the anticipated positive observations is what is referred to as precision.

$$\text{Precision} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FP}) \quad (16)$$

The proportion of properly detected positive observations to all observations is known as the sensitivity or recall ratio.

$$\text{Recall} = \text{TP} / (\text{TP} + \text{FN}) \quad (17)$$

The weighted average of both Precision and Recall is known as the F-measure. Because of this, it considers false positives and false negatives.

$$\text{F1 Score} = 2 * (\text{Recall} * \text{Precision}) / (\text{Recall} + \text{Precision}) \quad (18)$$

These are the positives and negatives used to calculate accuracy:

$$\text{Accuracy} = (\text{TP} + \text{TN}) / (\text{TP} + \text{TN} + \text{FP} + \text{FN}) \quad (19)$$

Where TP-represents True Positive, TN represents True Negative, FP refers False Positive and FN refers False Negative.

Metrics	Methods				
	CSI	CNN	HFEM-CNN	WOA -HYC	EDL
Accuracy	84,14	88,60	90,21	92,99	95,17
Precision	85,25	87,61	90,90	93,71	96,07
Recall	82,34	87,94	89,04	92,08	94,21
F -measure	83,19	87,77	89,96	92,89	95,13
Error rate	15,86	11,39	9,78	7,00	4,82

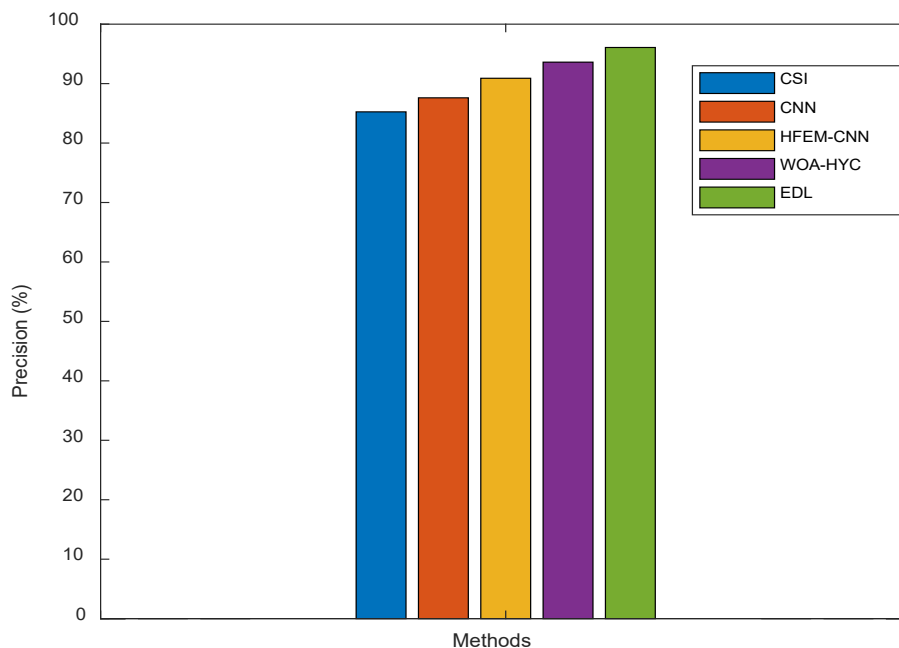


Figure 5. Depicts comparative values of precision for false news detections between suggested and existing methods

Figure 5 compares the effectiveness of suggested and existing false news detection methods. The findings demonstrate that the suggested EDL approach produces results with excellent accuracy when compared to the existing classification methods.

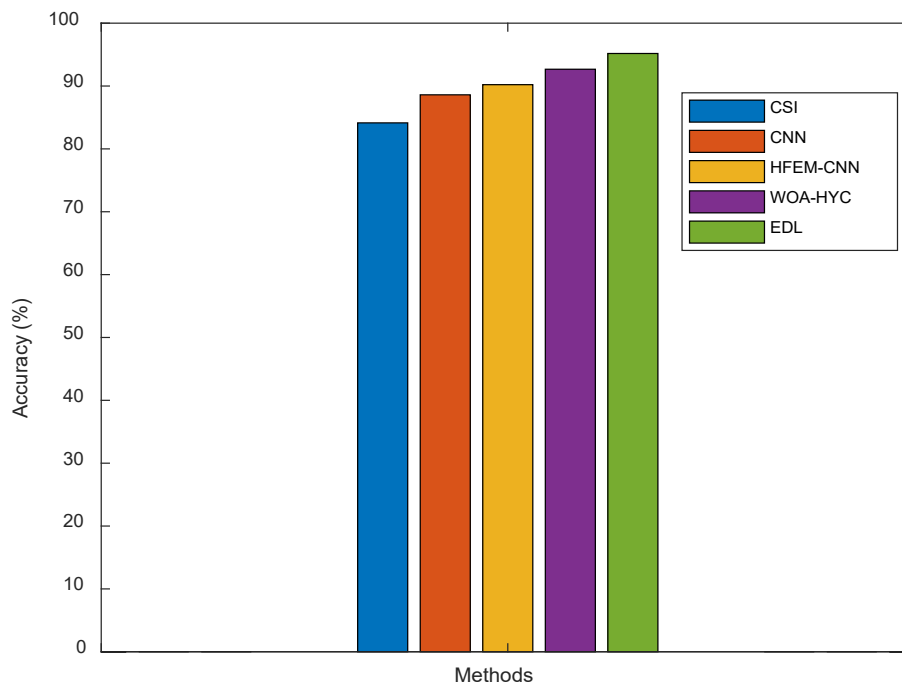


Figure 6. Depicts comparative values of accuracy for false news detections between suggested and existing methods detection methods

Figure 6 compares the proposed and current fake news detection methods' accuracy ratings. The suggested EDL technique beats the existing classification algorithms in terms of accuracy, according to the results.

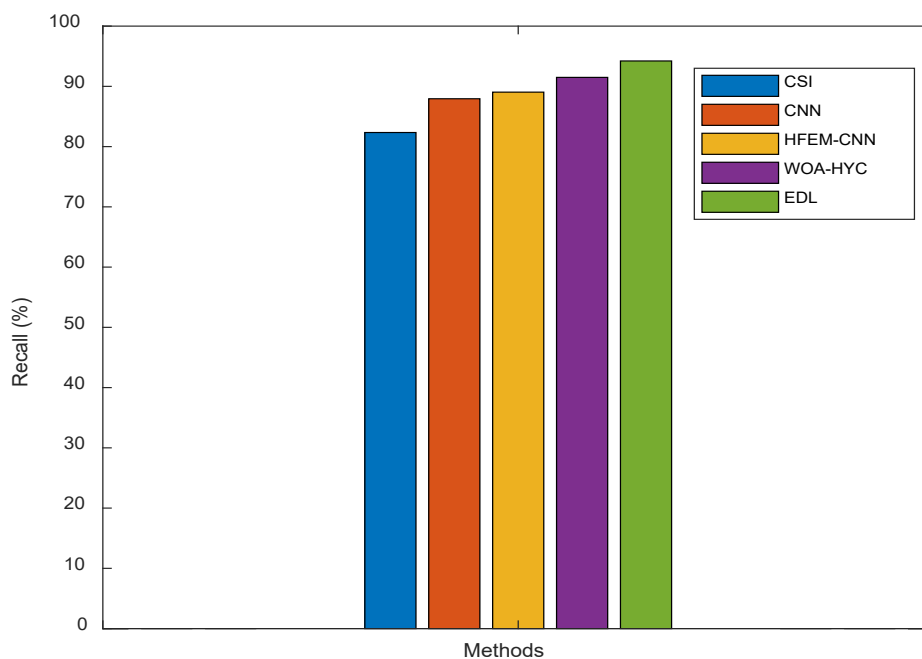


Figure 7. Compares the recall outcomes of proposed and existing fake news detection methods

Figure 7 displays the recall comparisons between suggested and existing fake news detection methods. The suggested EDL technique performs better on the recovery side than the already employed classification algorithms, according to the results.

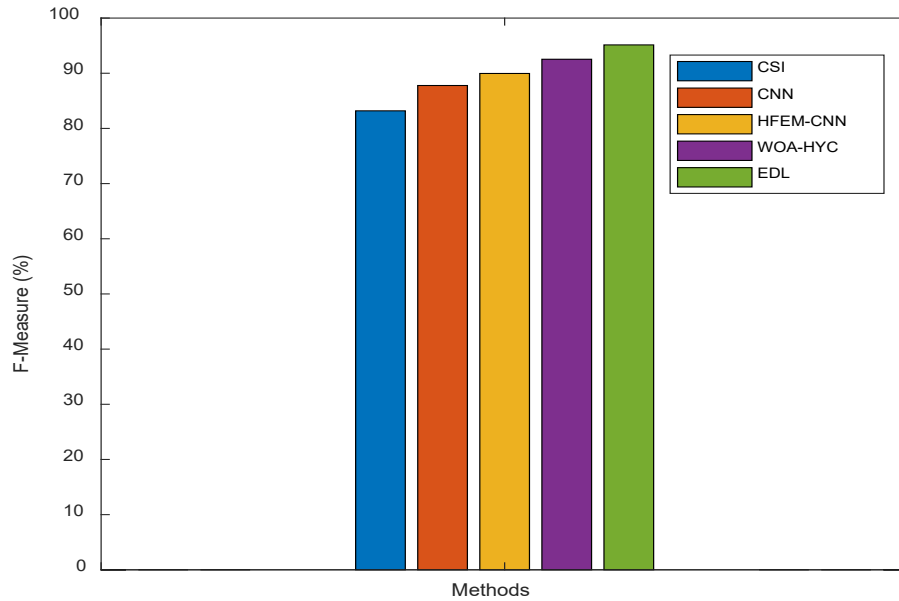


Figure 8. Depicts comparative f-measure values for false news detections between suggested and existing methods detection methods

Figure 8 displays a comparison of proposed and current F-metric fake news detecting methods. The suggested EDL approach outperforms the analytical methods, according to the results. The F-metric was used to determine the groupings.

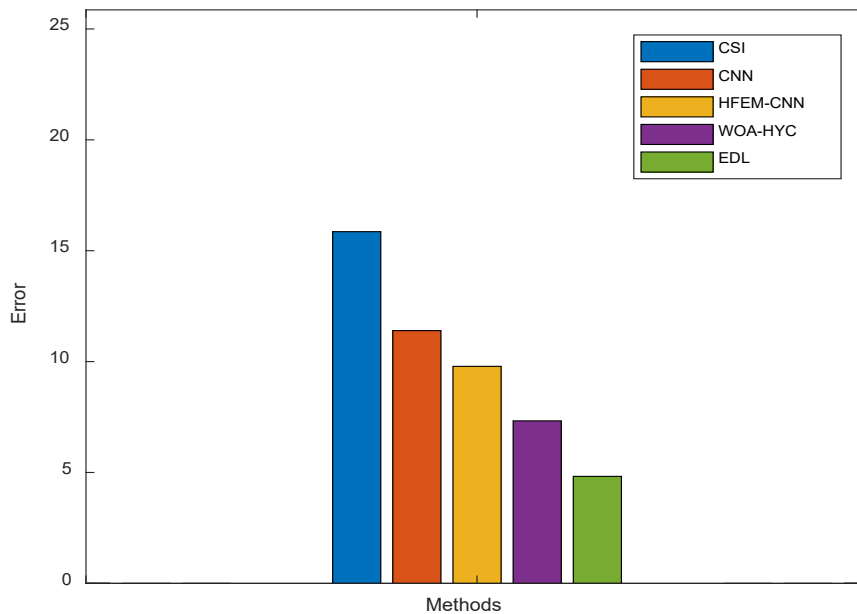


Figure 9. Compares the error rate outcomes of proposed and existing fake news detection methods

Figure 9 compares the proposed and current fake news detection methods' error rate ratings. The suggested EDL technique beats the existing classification algorithms in terms of error rate, according to the results.

CONCLUSION

Information collection through social networks is like wielding a two-edged sword. On the one hand, it is simple to use, quick to access, easy to forward to socially significant material, and offers a variety of viewpoints

on distinctive and current information. each minute. Conversely, a variety of websites alter content based on personal tastes or opinions. Fake news is edited or erroneous information that is shared on social media with the intent to harm an individual, community, or organisation. This work aimed to provide an improved model for fake news detection. In which pre-processing steps like tokenization, removing stop and stemming are done. Features are extracted using Lexicon Model. Feature selection is applied based on COA to select significant data. Ensemble of RNN, VGG-16 and ResNet50 classification models are employed to classify the fake news. Experiment results shows that the proposed model achieves 96,23 % accuracy which is higher than other existing models. However DL produces high computational complexity so need to use other models in future.

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