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Automated fact-checking and research

Our Solution



System Architecture







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- Identify a if a claim is Check-worthy Factual Sentence (CFS), Non Factual Sentence (NFS) or Unimportant Factual Sentence (UFS)
- Features: Word embeddings (W), PoS tags (P), Named entities (N), Dependency tags (D)
- **Bi-LSTM and Transformer models**



- Trained on manual fact checks (Politifact, Snopes etc.)
- Features: Claim-evidence pairs, metadata (author, subject and domains)

Trained on US presidential debates

Model	features	f_NFS	f_UFS	f_CFS	
CB17 SVM	W_P_N	0.898	0.307	0.696	
RF	W_P_N_D	0.804	0.040	0.463	
SVM	W	0.833	0.335	0.574	
SVM	$W_P_N_D$	0.836	0.367	0.585	
Bi-LSTM	Text_P_N_D	0.867	0.496	0.697	
Bi-LSTM	Text_Context	0.890	0.540	0.742	
RoBERTa	Text	0.906	0.584	0.769	
RoBERTa	Text_Context_P_N_D	0.909△	$0.574^{ riangle}$	$0.766^{ riangle}$	
Ensemble	Ensemble All Neural Approaches		0.589	0.769	

Data	Model	True Acc.	False Acc.	Macro F1	AUC
	CNN	55.92	57.33	59.39	58.56
	Hi-LSTM	55.85	65.86	60.11	60.66
PolitiFact	Hi-LSTM + Attn.	60.32	68.20	64.80	64.54
	t SHAN	62.29	68.43	65.36	65.23
	AHAN	63.25	70.42	66.83	68.66
	DHAN	60.34	69.76	65.05	65.03
	SADHAN	69.79 [∆]	75.45 [△]	71.34 [△]	72.37 [△]
	CNN	72.05	74.29	72.63	76.45
	Hi-LSTM	74.21	74.16	74.33	79.20
	Hi-LSTM + Attn.	76.76	79.65	77.80	80.33
Snopes	DHAN	77.06 [△]	81.63 [△]	78.73 [△]	82.03 [△]

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Bi-LSTM and Transformers