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# **ABSTRACT**

Mass media sources, specifically the news media, have traditionally informed us of daily events. In modern times, social media services such as Twitter provide an enormous amount of user-generated data, which have great potential to contain informative news-related content. For these resources to be useful, we must find a way to filter noise and only capture the content that, based on its similarity to the news media, is considered valuable. However, even after noise is removed, information overload may still exist in the remaining data—hence, it is convenient to prioritize it for consumption. To achieve prioritization, information must be ranked in order of estimated importance considering two factors. First, the temporal prevalence of a topic in the news media is a factor of importance, and can be considered the media focus (MF) of a topic. Second, the temporal prevalence of the topic in social media indicates its user attention (UA).