Emergency Lighting Detection from Construction Blueprints

🎯 Objective:

Build an AI Vision pipeline that can extract **Emergency Lighting Fixtures** from electrical drawings and prepare **structured grouped outputs** using LLMs.

📂 Data Provided:

You will be given **10 multi-sheet electrical drawing PDFs**, each including:

- Lighting Layouts
- Legend Sheets
- Lighting Schedule Tables
- General Notes

Google Drive - https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d4xwvABIf_hXwGSUXTEAAACOHDl2wfyv?usp=sharing

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  - WALLPACK WITH BUILT IN PHOTOCELL
  - Capture **bounding box** and **spatial location** of the fixture and nearby text/symbols

🔍 Example Output:

```
[
  {
    "symbol": "A1E",
    "bounding_box": [120, 240, 145, 265],
    "text_nearby": ["EM", "Exit", "Unswitched"],
    "source_sheet": "E2.4"
  }
]
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- Complete **Lighting Schedule Table** including:
  - Symbol, Description, Mount, Voltage, Lumens, etc.
  - The texts extracted must be stored in the Database against the Pdf name

🔍 Example Output:


```
{
  "rulebook": [
    {
      "type": "note",
      "text": "All emergency lighting must be connected to unswitched power.",
      "source_sheet": "E0.1"
    },
    {
      "type": "table_row",
      "symbol": "A1E",
      "description": "Exit/Emergency Combo Unit",
      "mount": "Ceiling",
      "voltage": "277V",
      "lumens": "1500lm",
      "source_sheet": "Lighting Schedule - E3"
    }
  ]
}
```

🔹 Define a way you will group the Lighting based on the symbols present around them?

🔍 Example Output:

```
{
  "summary": {
    "Lights01": { "count": 12, "description": "2x4 LED Emergency Fixture" },
    "Lights02": { "count": 5, "description": "Exit/Emergency Combo Unit" },
    "Lights03": { "count": 9, "description": "Wall-Mounted Emergency LED" }
  }
}
```

🧠 Best Practice Guidelines

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LLM Prompting	Provide structured context — symbols + rulebook — and request counts + classification.
LLM Evaluation	Sanity-check that output counts match raw detections and known legend rules.

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Symbol Association	Are symbol-bounding logic and text proximity sound?
OCR Handling	Can they extract tables and free text cleanly across multiple sheets?
Reasoning with LLM	Can they structure inputs to guide LLM into reliable groupings?
Debuggability	Can they output intermediate JSONs and explain each stage's confidence?
Generalization	Can they work with multiple sheet types, rotated symbols, or low-resolution scans?

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✅ Response:

```
{
  "status": "uploaded",
  "pdf_name": "E2.4.pdf",
  "message": "Processing started in background."
}
```

✅ API 2 – Get Processed Result

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✅ Response (if processing complete):


```
{
  "pdf_name": "E2.4.pdf",
  "status": "complete",
  "result": {
    "A1": { "count": 12, "description": "2x4 LED Emergency Fixture" },
    "A1E": { "count": 5, "description": "Exit/Emergency Combo Unit" },
    "W": { "count": 9, "description": "Wall-Mounted Emergency LED" }
  }
}
```


🕒 Response (if still processing):


```
{
  "pdf_name": "E2.4.pdf",
  "status": "in_progress",
  "message": "Processing is still in progress. Please try again later."
}
```

📦 Submission Deliverables (All 5 Mandatory)

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✅ 1. Screenshot of Annotation

- Annotated example showing:
  - Detected **emergency light** (shaded area)
  - Associated **symbols** nearby
  - Bounding boxes drawn on the electrical drawing
- Format: `.png` or `.jpg` or embedded in `README.md`

✅ 2. Hosted API (on Render)

- Deploy your API with:
  - `POST /blueprints/upload`
  - `GET /blueprints/result?pdf_name=...`
- Host on https://render.com
- Ensure background processing works and final result is queryable

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- Include example environment if needed

✅ 4. GitHub Repository

- Must include:
  - Full source code
  - `README.md` with:
    - Setup instructions
    - How background processing is handled
    - How result is stored and retrieved
  - Postman collection and sample annotated image
- Public or private repo with access granted

✅ 5. 2-Minute Demo Video

- Walkthrough of:
  - Your approach to detection and preprocessing
  - How you use LLM for grouping
  - How your APIs work and where they are hosted
- Upload to YouTube, Loom, or Google Drive (public link)