

Project Documentation

1. Introduction

- **Project Title:** Pollens Profiling – Automated Classification of Pollen Grains
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2. Project Overview

- **Purpose:** To automate the process of classifying pollen grain images using deep learning, reducing the manual effort and increasing classification accuracy.
- **Features:**
 - User registration and login
 - Upload pollen grain images
 - Automated classification using CNN model
 - History tracking of classified samples
 - Real-time results with confidence scores

3. Architecture

- **Frontend:**
 - Developed using React.js
 - Responsive UI for image upload and result display
 - Axios for API communication
- **Backend**
 - Built using Node.js with Express.js
 - Handles routing, model invocation, and user management
- **Database:**
 - MongoDB used for storing user data and classification history
 - Mongoose ORM for schema definition and queries

4. Setup Instructions

- **Prerequisites:**
 - Node.js >= v14
 - MongoDB Community Server

- Python 3.8+ (for ML model)
- **Installation:**
 - Download and install **Node.js** and **MongoDB** on your system.
 - Clone the project repository from GitHub to your local machine.
 - Navigate to the backend (server) folder and install the dependencies using `npm install`.
 - Then, navigate to the frontend (client) folder and run `npm install` to set up the React environment.
 - Make sure MongoDB is running, and set any required environment variables.
 - Once the setup is done, start both frontend and backend servers.

5. Folder Structure

- **Client:**
 - `src/components` – UI components
 - `src/pages` – View pages
 - `src/services` – Axios API calls
- **Server:**
 - `routes/` – Express route handlers
 - `controllers/` – Business logic
 - `models/` – MongoDB schemas
 - `ml_model/` – Python CNN model

6. Running the Application

- Provide commands to start the frontend and backend servers locally.
 - **Frontend:**
`cd client`
`npm start`
 - **Backend:**
`cd server`
`npm start`

7. API Documentation

Example Endpoint: POST `/api/classify`

- Request: { image: <base64> }
- Response: { class: "Pine Pollen", confidence: 92.1 }

Other APIs:

- POST /api/login
- POST /api/register
- GET /api/history

8. Authentication

- JWT-based token authentication
- Tokens are stored in browser local storage
- Middleware used to validate user tokens for protected routes

9. User Interface

- Upload image screen
- Dashboard with classification results
- Login and Registration forms
- Responsive design for mobile and desktop

10. Testing

- Manual testing for frontend interactions
- Postman for backend API testing
- Unit tests for core functions (optional)

11. Screenshots or Demo

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F5VWzo-tuYAcsaVa5hXHp33JKu52gQYA/view?usp=drivesdk>

12. Known Issues

- Limited support for very low-resolution images
- UI does not yet handle multiple uploads in batch mode

13. Future Enhancements

- Add support for more pollen species
- Integrate live webcam capture for microscope
- Deploy using Docker + CI/CD
- Add batch image classification
- Incorporate feedback-based retraining of model