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Idea / Project Title	MATASSIST AI: GenAI Material Selection Assistant: Using LLM, RAG
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- What problem are you solving?

PROBLEM: The Material Selection Challenge in Engineering

PROBLEM STATEMENT: **Selecting the right material** is a critical early step in any design project, often requiring **deep domain expertise** and familiarity with standards like **ASTM, DIN, EN, and ISO**. However, organizations frequently lack specialists for every application area - such as **cryogenics, mining, oil & gas, subsea, hygienic, and power systems**. This gap leads to missed opportunities during bid processes and delays in product development. **Engineers must manually analyze large datasets** to identify materials that meet **performance, cost, availability, and sustainability criteria**, which is both **time-consuming and resource-intensive**.

Engineers spend **40-60%** of project time **manually searching** through **material standards (ASTM, ISO, DIN etc.)**. Material selection involves comparing hundreds of properties across multiple standards, **Traditional methods** lead to **suboptimal choices, project delays, and increased costs**. Critical decisions made without predictive insights on material performance

- Who is affected?

PRIMARY LEVEL:

- Mechanical Engineers & Design Teams

SECONDARY LEVEL:

- Manufacturing Companies & R&D Departments

SECONDARY SUB-LEVEL:

- Material Scientists & Quality Control Teams

TERTIARY LEVEL:

- Students & Academic Researchers

• What is your idea?

Our Idea In Simple Terms: GenAI-Powered Material Intelligence Platform

Key Description: An AI-driven assistant that instantly recommends optimal materials by analyzing engineering standards and application requirements through conversational AI.

Key Features:



GenAI + RAG Engine:

Uses **LangChain + LLM** (OpenAI / Llama-3) with FAISS/Chroma vector DB for **semantic retrieval** from standards and internal datasets.



Domain-Aware Intelligence:

Built-in filters for **Cryogenic, Oil & Gas, Subsea, Automotive, Mining, Food-grade** application materials with Suggestion prescribed by **Gemini 1.5 Flash** with **Fine-tuning model**



AI-Powered Material Ranking:

Assist, Rank and Recommend Top materials based on given requirements, applications, inputs via AI-Powered Engine

• How does it solve the problem?

User uploads Document



User enter input requirements

- Temperature range
- Pressure level

User enter input requirements

- Tensile & Yield strength
- Hardness

User enter Standard Preferences

- ASTM
- ISO
- EN
- DIN

Create dataset, document consisting all these info

Chat bot powered by RAG based LLM models

Feedback Loop: continuously improve recommendations

LLm model will provide the material based on the design inputs

Engineer validates the results

Results is as per standards and feasible sent for next phase

If results are inaccurate

AI Material Ranking

10+ properties

Rank Scoring

Interactive Dashboards

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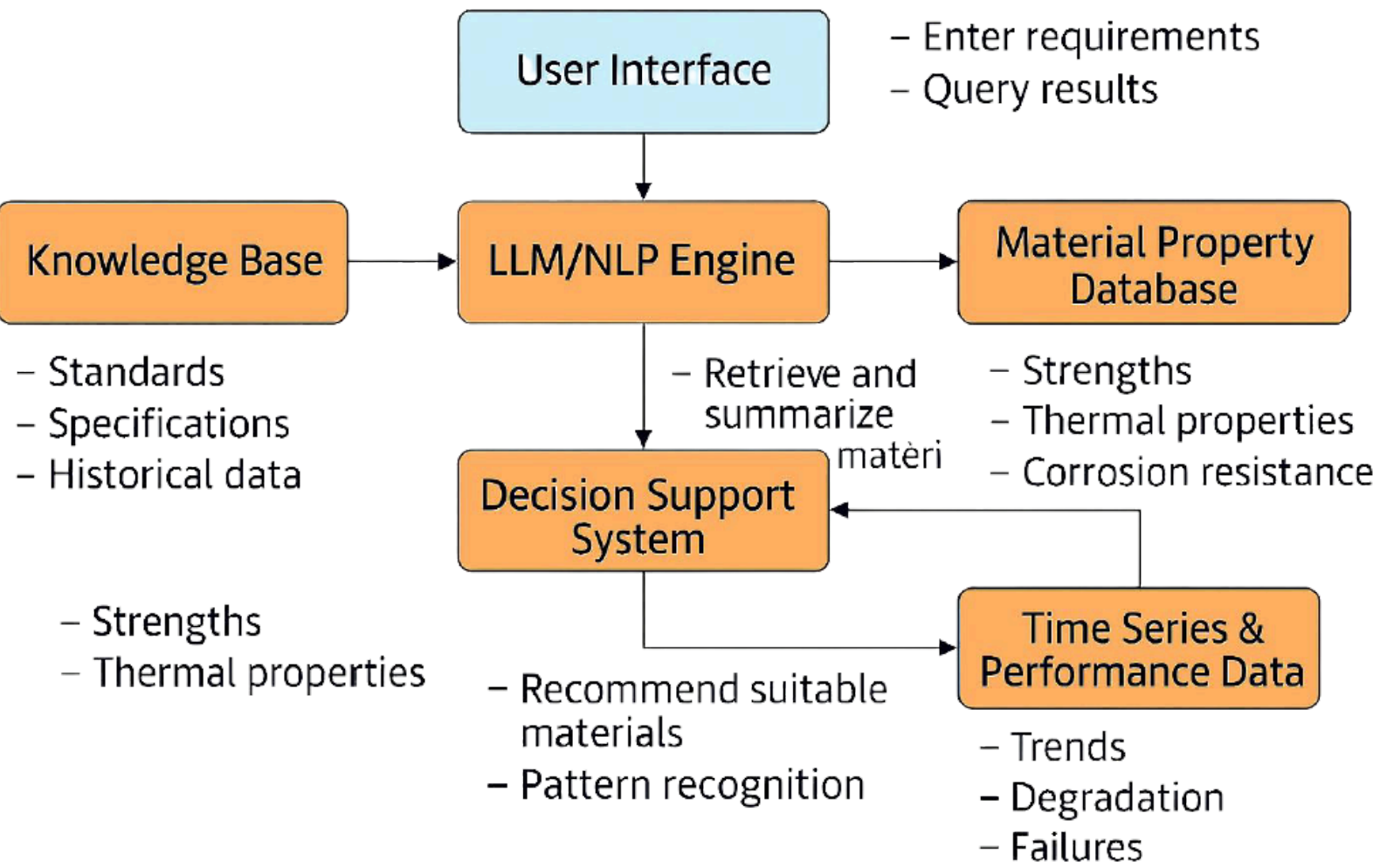
RAG Chatbot

Semantic search

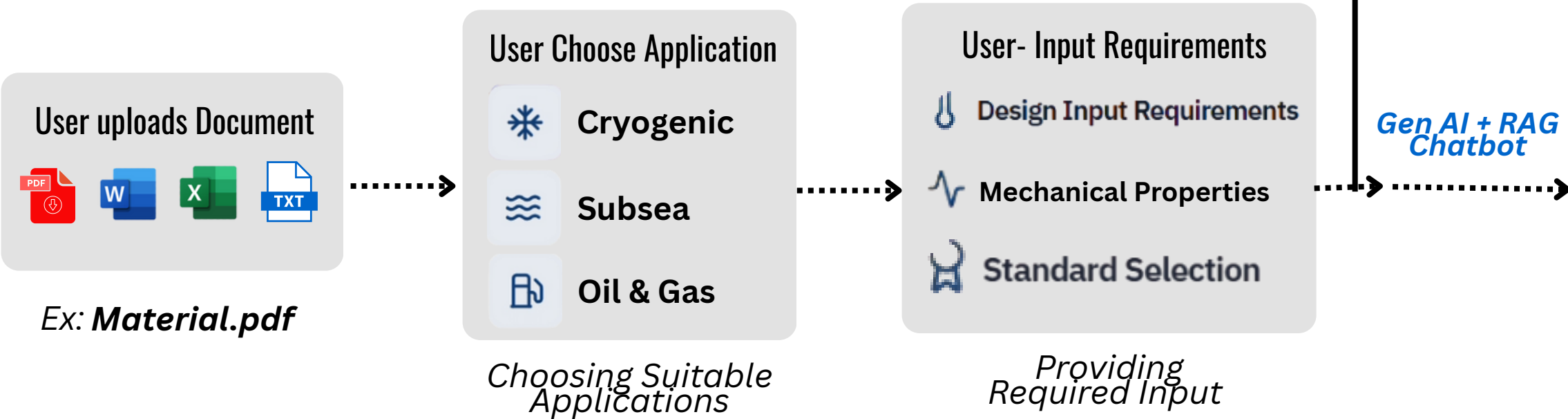
LLM Integration

Matweb Assistant

ARCHITECTURE DIAGRAM



WORKFLOW



AI Ranking

#1 Best Match

Super Duplex Stainless Steel (SDSS)
Grade: ASTM A182 F55 / UNS S32760

Overall Score: **81**

Design Req. 100 Mechanical 80 Standards 65 Cost Eff. 45

Recommendation: Very good choice - ASTM A182 F55 / UNS S32760 meets all critical requirements effectively

#2 Strong Alternative

Super Duplex Stainless Steel (SDSS)
Grade: ASTM A182 F53 / UNS S32750

Overall Score: **80**

Design Req. 100 Mechanical 80 Standards 65 Cost Eff. 40

Recommendation: Very good choice - ASTM A182 F53 / UNS S32750 meets all critical requirements effectively

Analysis Complete
Top 3 materials identified

Real-Time Analytics



Gen AI + RAG Chatbot

Recommend corrosion-resistant steel for oil & gas pipelines

Based on your query "Recommend corrosion-resistant steel for oil & gas pipelines", I've analyzed our material database and standards. Here are my recommendations:

Material Ranking for Your Application

Rank	Material	Primary Strength	Key Properties
1	316L Stainless Steel	Corrosion Resistance	Tensile: 485 MPa, Yield: 170 MPa, ASTM A240
2	Inconel 625	High Temperature	Temp Range: -253°C to 1093°C, Yield: 415 MPa

Describe your material requirements...

• 3–5 main features

Multi-Stage Material Selection



- Choosing Multi Requirements

Automated Technical Documentation



- Downloadable .docx and .xlsx Output Format
- Unstructured To Structured Analysis

Standards Explorer & Learning Hub



- Multiple Integrated Hubs For Materials Reference

Intelligent Conversational Interface



- RAG + Gemini AI Integrated Chatbot
- Gen-AI Material Ranking Interface

• **What makes your idea different?** **Our Idea:** *What If A Person Without **Domain-Expertise** Wants To **Explore, Learn, Automate** & **Choose** The Best Materials From A **10,000+ Materials Database***

AI-First Intelligence
For Materials

- Gemini AI conversational search
- Context-aware with reasoning
- 95% faster (2 days → 10 mins)

. Only Platform Integrating
3+ International Standards

- ASTM+IS+BS+DIN+JIS Unified
- 1000+ Standards Database
- Cross-Standard Equivalence Mapping

Intelligent AI Ranking

- 10-Criteria Scoring Algorithm
- Real-Time Property Comparison
- Transparent Material Justification

Predictive Intelligence:

- AI Based Ranking + Multiple Charts
- Future Performance Forecasting
- Cost-Benefit Optimization Dashboard

• Social or technical benefit

TECHNICAL BENEFITS

EFFICIENCY GAINS

- **95% reduction** in material selection time
- **60% faster** project timelines
- **Handles 1000+** material options in seconds

COST REDUCTION

- Identifies cost-effective alternatives (**avg. 20-30% savings**)
- Prevents expensive material selection errors
- **Reduces rework** and **material waste**

DECISION QUALITY

- **Data-driven recommendations** eliminate guesswork
- Compliance with **international standards** ensured
- **Predictive models** reduce failure risks

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

- Small manufacturers get **enterprise-level material intelligence**
- Levels playing field for startups vs. large corporations
- **Democratizes access** to expensive engineering databases

SOCIAL BENEFITS

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

- Free tool for students learning material science
- Accelerates academic research projects
- Builds **next-gen engineering talent**

SUSTAINABILITY

- Suggests **eco-friendly material alternatives**
- Optimizes material usage (less waste)
- Promotes **recycled/sustainable materials**

• Who will benefit?

MANUFACTURING COMPANIES

- **30% reduction** in material costs through optimization
- **50% faster** product development cycles
- Compete with **larger companies** on equal footing

SCIENTISTS & RESEARCHERS

- Literature Review: Instant access to **1000+ standards**
- Data Extraction: **AI pulls property data** for meta-analysis
- Collaboration: Share material comparisons with **global teams**

STARTUPS & ENTREPRENEURS

- Reduce product development cost by **50%**
- Avoid **early-stage material failures**
- **Faster MVP** to market the full product (**6 months → 3 months**)

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS & DESIGN TEAMS

- Spend **40-60%** of time searching material standards
- Pressure to find **optimal material quickly**
- **Risk of costly mistakes** if wrong material chosen