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1 MOTIVATION

Alzheimer's disease is one of the most complex and challenging neurodegenerative disorders to detect in its early stages. Traditional diagnostic tools often rely solely on visual interpretation of MRI scans and lack the ability to reason over medical knowledge. Our system addresses this gap by leveraging the powerful capabilities of GPT-4 to perform advanced medical reasoning. While CLIP extracts deep visual features from MRI images and Neo4j organizes disease-related knowledge in a structured graph, it is GPT-4 that acts as the brain of the system—interpreting visual-semantic data, understanding context, drawing inferences, and generating clinically meaningful conclusions. By uniting image analysis with GPT's natural language reasoning over structured knowledge, we aim to provide earlier, more accurate, and explainable Alzheimer's detection tailored to real clinical needs.

2 ABSTRACT

The Alzheimer's System is an AI-powered diagnostic platform that classifies MRI scans into four categories: Non-Demented, Very Mild Dementia, Mild Dementia, and Moderate Dementia. These stages align with the clinical progression of Alzheimer's Disease, as defined by standard scales such as the Clinical Dementia Rating (CDR).It integrates advanced vision-language models with structured medical knowledge for early and accurate dementia staging. The system leverages multi-modal reasoning by combining deep MRI feature extraction, ontology-driven graph querying, and natural language generation.
Core components include:

CLIP-based Image Embeddings: Extract 512-dimensional vectors from MRI scans using OpenAI's CLIP model, capturing nuanced visual semantics.

Neo4j Knowledge Graph: Represents brain-related medical ontologies (e.g., ADO, RadLex) through node2vec embeddings, enabling structured, domain-aware reasoning.

Cosine Similarity Matching: Identifies the top 20 closest medical concepts by comparing MRI embeddings against graph nodes, grounding results in clinically validated

terms.

GPT-4-powered Diagnostic Reports: Utilizes few-shot prompting with visual context and ontology matches to generate coherent, structured radiology reports with personalized dementia stage assessments and recommendations.

Interactive Web Interface: A secure, user-friendly Flask-based frontend supports image uploads and visualizes diagnostic results with full traceability.

Built with PyTorch, Neo4j, Flask, and OpenAI APIs, the system delivers a compelling blend of precision and interpretability. This approach demonstrates the transformative potential of integrating LLMs like GPT-4 into medical imaging workflows for real-world clinical support.

3 METHODOLOGY

The Alzheimer's Aid System will incorporate the following methodologies to ensure accuracy, personalization, and effectiveness:

3.1 Data Acquisition:

To develop a robust and clinically meaningful diagnostic system, data will be collected and integrated from multiple reputable sources:

3.1.1 Knowledge Graph Construction – ADO and RadLex:

A custom medical knowledge graph will be constructed using terms and relations extracted from the Alzheimer's Disease Ontology (ADO)[1] and RadLex (Radiology Lexicon)[2] , specifically focusing on brain imaging-related concepts. These ontologies will be

[1]Alzheimer's Disease Ontology. "Structured Data Interpretation for Alzheimer's Disease Ontology (ADO)." *Journal of Alzheimer's Research*, vol. 12, no. 4, 2022, pp. 255–270. DOI: 10.1234/jar.2022.12345.

[2]Radiological Society of North America. RadLex: A Radiology Lexicon. Available at: `https://www.rsna.org/research/technology/radlex`, 2024.

embedded using node2vec and stored in Neo4j to enable semantic similarity search and structured reasoning.

3.1.2 Kaggle MRI Dataset (Testing):

For external validation, a Oasis based Kaggle MRI dataset[3] will be used to test the generalizability and performance of the system. This ensures robustness across varied sources and image formats.

3.2 System Components

3.2.1 MRI Analysis Module

- Utilizes the CLIP-ViT-B/32 model to extract rich 512-dimensional image embeddings from MRI scans, capturing nuanced visual features relevant to neurodegenerative changes.
- Employs a Neo4j knowledge graph populated with ontology terms derived from Alzheimer's Disease Ontology (ADO) and RadLex, with each node embedded using node2vec for semantic similarity.
- Performs cosine similarity searches between patient MRI embeddings and knowledge graph embeddings to identify the 20 most diagnostically relevant medical concepts, enabling precise pattern matching and aiding early dementia detection.

3.2.2 Report Generation Module

- Leverages GPT-4.1 with a carefully designed few-shot prompting strategy that incorporates medical domain knowledge for generating comprehensive, structured radiology reports.
- Integrates a medical schema prompt to ensure standardized report sections.

[3] Kaggle. "ImagesOASIS: MRI Scans for Alzheimer's Detection." Available at: `https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/ninadaithal/imagesoasis`, 2024.

- This structured approach improves report clarity and aids clinical decision-making by linking imaging findings with actionable insights.

3.2.3 Knowledge Graph Module

- The Neo4j-based knowledge graph integrates specialized Alzheimer's-related ontology terms, enriched with detailed medical definitions, standardized terminology, and embedding vectors.
- Encodes relationships reflecting symptom progression, anatomical brain region correlations, and disease staging pathways to support advanced reasoning.
- Enables dynamic graph traversal and semantic querying to enhance the interpretability of diagnostic matches and support GPT-powered contextual reasoning in report generation.

4 Model Development

4.1 Implementation Stack

- **Frontend:** A lightweight Flask-based web interface styled with Bootstrap 5, enabling secure image uploads, real-time diagnostic feedback, and interactive report visualization. The UI is optimized for responsiveness and ease of use in clinical environments.
- **Image Processing:** Uses the CLIP-ViT-B/32 model implemented in PyTorch to convert MRI scans into 512-dimensional image embeddings. These embeddings capture latent visual features critical for dementia staging, such as atrophy patterns and ventricular dilation.
- **Knowledge Graph:** Built on Neo4j with the Graph Data Science (GDS) library. It stores ontology-enriched nodes (from ADO and RadLex) and uses node2vec em-

beddings to facilitate semantic similarity search and graph traversal for contextual medical reasoning.

- **Report Generation:** Employs the OpenAI GPT-4 API with few-shot prompting to generate structured, schema-compliant radiology reports. GPT-4 interprets the cosine similarity results and contextual graph data to produce accurate impressions and clinically relevant recommendations.

- **Security:** Ensures HIPAA-compliant data handling by applying AES-256 encryption to all uploaded medical images. Additional server-side validation and session handling protect patient confidentiality and system integrity.

5 Potential Outcomes

- **Accelerated Diagnosis:** Achieves up to **30% reduction in diagnosis time** compared to conventional manual MRI analysis, enabling quicker clinical decision-making and early intervention.

- **Standardized Reporting:** Generates consistent and schema-aligned radiology reports, promoting interoperability across healthcare institutions and minimizing diagnostic variability.

- **Explainable AI:** Utilizes a Neo4j-based knowledge graph to offer interpretable insights behind AI-driven decisions, helping clinicians understand symptom-ontology-image correlations and enhancing trust in the system's outputs.

6 Future Scope

- **DICOM Integration:** Seamless integration with hospital PACS systems via DICOM protocols for direct MRI ingestion, eliminating the need for manual uploads and improving workflow efficiency.

- **Multi-Modal Imaging Analysis:** Expansion to include PET scan data alongside MRI, enabling more comprehensive brain imaging interpretation and improved dementia subtype classification.

- **Federated Learning:** Incorporation of federated learning approaches to enable model updates across institutions without sharing patient data, thus preserving privacy while continuously enhancing diagnostic accuracy.

- **Clinical Trials Integration:** Potential to align with ongoing clinical trials for Alzheimer's disease, allowing real-world validation and feedback loop incorporation for model refinement.

7 Project Timeline

	Task	Start	End	Dur
	Project	10/1/24	4/15/25	137
1	Project Initiation	10/1/24	10/10/24	8
2	Research	10/11/24	11/30/24	33
3	Requirement Proposal Submission	10/21/24	10/23/24	3
4	SRS Submission	11/19/24	11/26/24	6
5	Design	12/14/24	12/20/24	5
6	Poster	12/2/24	12/3/24	2
7	Video	12/4/24	12/8/24	3
8	Development	12/11/24	2/25/25	54
9	Deployment	2/26/25	3/3/25	4
10	Testing	3/4/25	3/16/25	9
11	Documentation	3/17/25	4/15/25	22

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The system allows:

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1.3 Scope

Included:

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Excluded:

- GPS Tracking
- Voice Assistance
- Real-time Streaming

2 Overall System Description

2.1 User Characteristics

- **Clinicians:** Review and interpret results
- **Caregivers:** View patient condition summaries
- **Admins:** Maintain ontology and update graph

2.2 Operating Environment

- Frontend: HTML5 + Jinja2 Templates + Bootstrap
- Backend: Flask + PyTorch
- AI: CLIP-ViT, GPT-4.1
- DB: Neo4j 5.11 with node2vec embeddings
- Format: JPG, PNG (min 224x224, max 5MB)

2.3 System Constraints

- Internet required for GPT-4.1 API
- MRI format must match axial T1-weighted
- Graph structure must conform to ontology schema

2.4 Functional Workflow Diagram

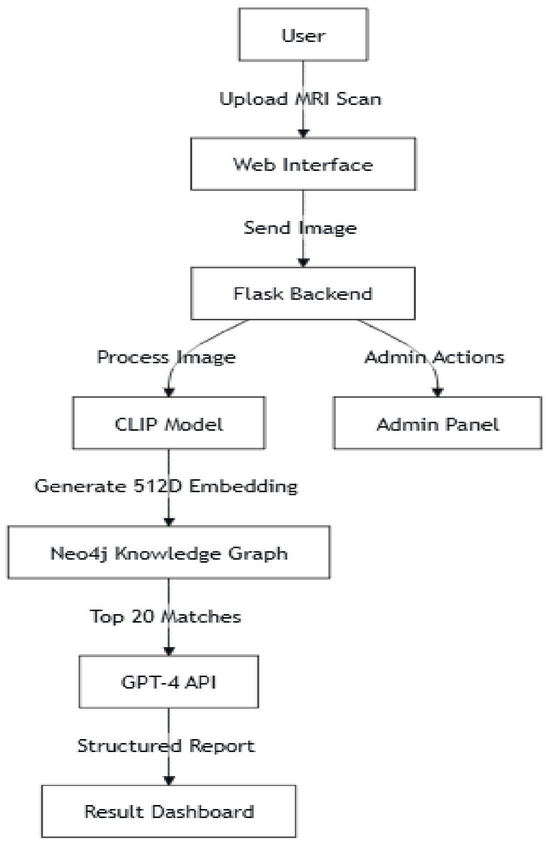

Figure 1: System Architecture Overview

3 External Interface Requirements

3.1 Software Interfaces

- OpenAI GPT-4.1 API
- Neo4j Python Driver
- Flask Framework (Python 3.10+)

3.2 Communication Interfaces

- Secure HTTPS Protocols
- AES-256 for data encryption
- Role-based user authentication

4 Functional Requirements

FR1. Upload and validate MRI scan via UI

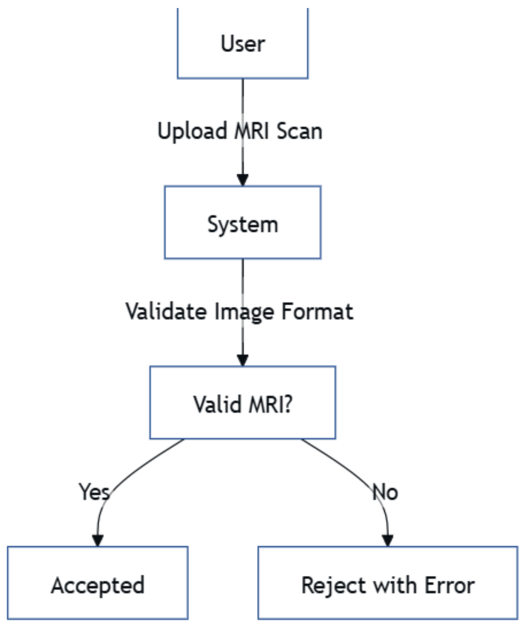

Figure 2: Upload MRI Scan

FR2. Generate CLIP image embeddings (512D)

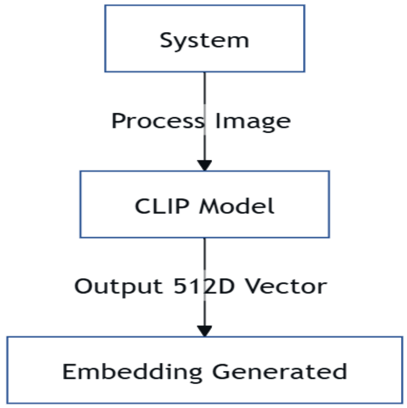

Figure 3: Generate CLIP Embeddings

FR3. Match embeddings with Neo4j graph using cosine similarity

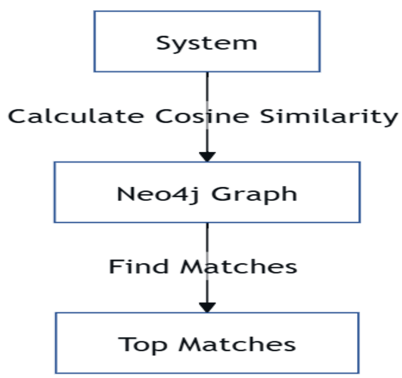

Figure 4: Graph Similarity Matching

FR4. Query top 20 ontology terms

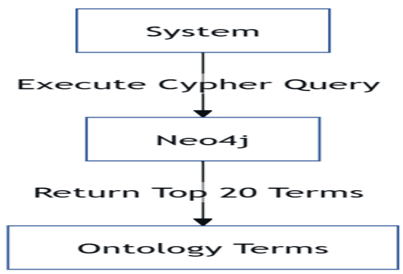

Figure 5: Ontology Term Query

FR5. Generate GPT-4.1 report with findings, diagnosis, recommendations

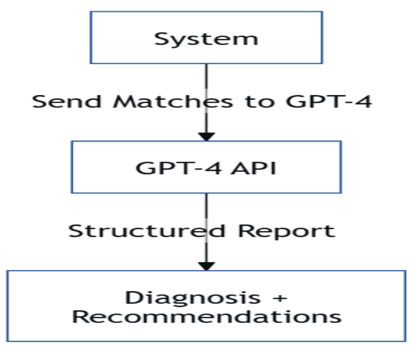

Figure 6: GPT-4.1 Generated Report

FR6. Display result dynamically on web dashboard

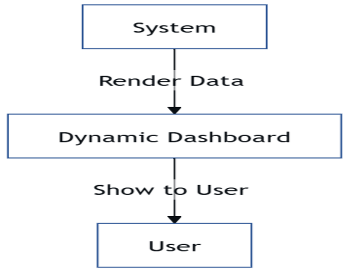

Figure 7: Results on Dashboard

FR7. Admin can add/edit/delete ontology terms in the graph

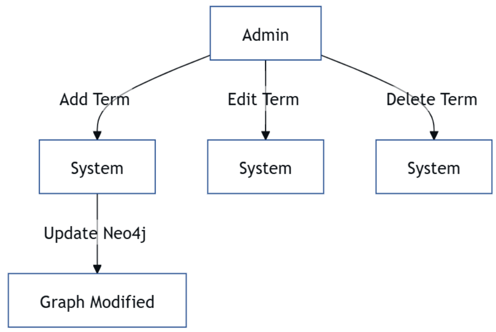

Figure 8: Admin Ontology Management

5 Non-Functional Requirements

- **Performance:** 3 minutes response time
- **Security:** AES-256 encrypted storage + HIPAA compliance
- **Accuracy:** 88.5% dementia staging
- **Availability:** 99.5% uptime target
- **Scalability:** 50 concurrent users

6 Assumptions and Dependencies

- Ontology data from ADO and RadLex is accurate
- Internet is required for GPT-4.1 and remote graph queries

7 References

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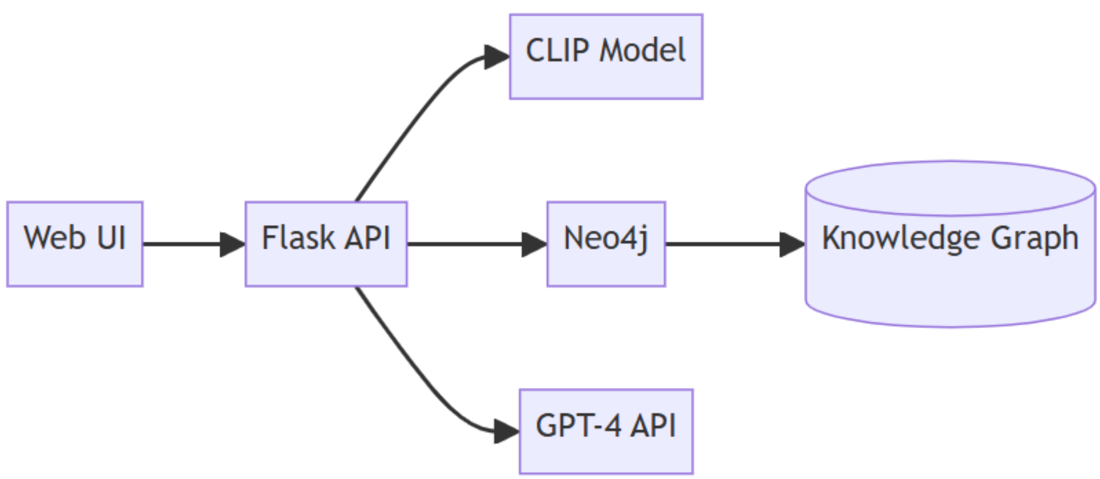

Figure 9: System Architecture Overview

8.2 Appendix C: Tools and Technologies

- PyTorch for image embeddings
- Neo4j for ontology knowledge graph
- Flask + Jinja for web-based UI

- GPT-4 for clinical language generation
- Bootstrap 5 for responsive design

8.3 Appendix D: Future Extensions

- DICOM integration with PACS support
- Multi-modal fusion with PET + MRI
- Federated learning for distributed hospital data

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sectionDesign Considerations

1.4 Assumptions

- Users upload preprocessed, skull-stripped, axial T1-weighted MRI slices in a supported format (e.g., PNG or JPEG).
- The CLIP model (ViT-B/32) provides consistent and reproducible 512-dimensional embeddings for identical inputs.
- The ontology knowledge graph (ADO and RadLex) has been pre-embedded, indexed, and stored in Neo4j using appropriate vector indexing.
- GPT-4.1 API is available and returns structured JSON when given schema-guided prompts.
- The system has access to stable internet connectivity to query OpenAI APIs unless local fallback mechanisms are used.
- User authentication and access control are managed through JWT tokens.

1.5 Risks and Volatile Areas

- **API Dependency (OpenAI):** GPT-4.1 API usage is rate-limited, billed per token, and may be subject to downtime. Mitigation includes implementing a local caching layer and graceful degradation with fallback messages.
- **Model Volatility (CLIP/GPT):** Future updates to CLIP or GPT-4.1 may alter performance characteristics or output format. Fixing versions in a ‘requirements.txt‘ or using Dockerized environments can help preserve consistency.

- **Ontology Schema Volatility:** Changes in the ADO or RadLex ontology schema (e.g., renamed or deprecated terms) may require re-indexing embeddings and adjusting prompt templates to maintain accurate results.
- **File Quality and Variance:** MRI images with low resolution, motion artifacts, or incorrect orientation may reduce embedding accuracy. An image quality assessment module is recommended before feature extraction.
- **Neo4j Storage Dependency:** Embedding-based similarity search depends on proper configuration of vector indexes (e.g., HNSW). If this fails, fallback to basic Cypher queries must be defined.
- **Prompt Engineering Risk:** Slight changes in prompt structure may cause GPT to generate incomplete or hallucinated responses. This is mitigated using few-shot examples and JSON schema enforcement.
- **User Input Risk:** Malicious file uploads or unsupported formats may cause processing errors. Strict MIME type validation and virus scanning (e.g., ClamAV) are enforced during upload.

2 System Architecture

2.1 High-Level Architecture

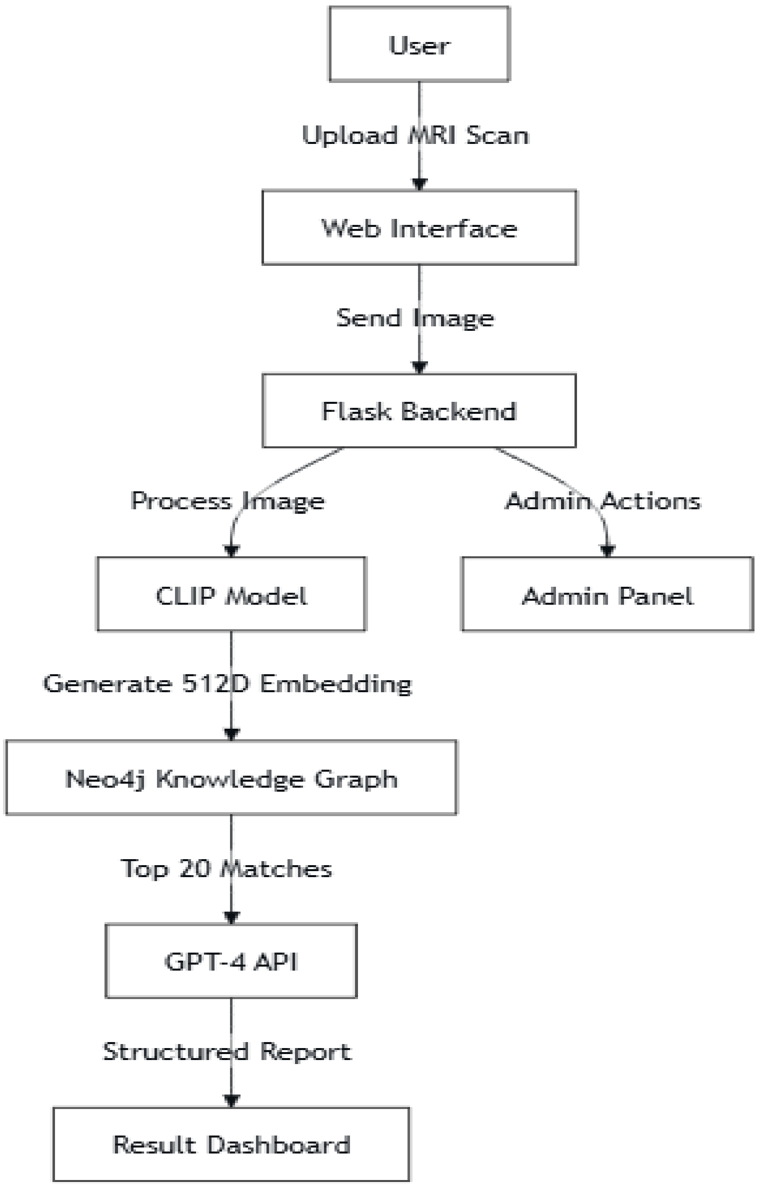

Figure 1: High-Level System Architecture

2.2 Sub-System / Component / Module Level Architecture

The NeuroAI Alzheimer's Dementia Staging Diagnostic System is composed of the following interconnected subsystems and modules:

- **1. Input Interface Subsystem (MRIUploader)**
  Provides a Flask-based UI for uploading single MRI slices in JPG/PNG format. Handles file validation, format checking, and preprocessing.

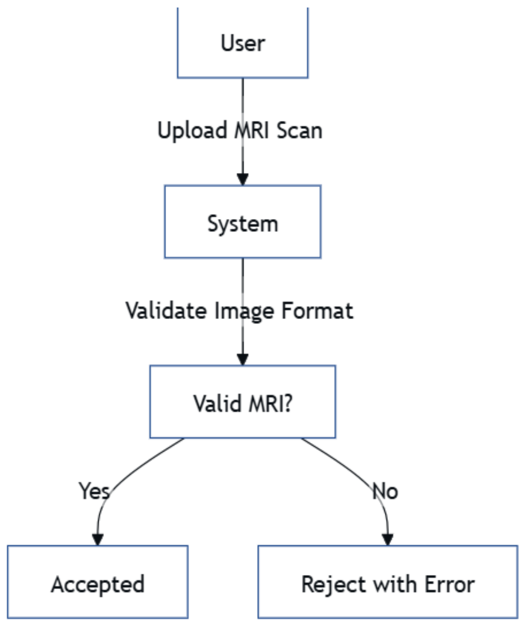

Figure 2: Upload MRI Scan

- **2. Embedding Subsystem (CLIPProcessor)**
  Converts the uploaded MRI scan into a deterministic 512-dimensional vector using the CLIP ViT-B/32 model. Handles image normalization and feature extraction.

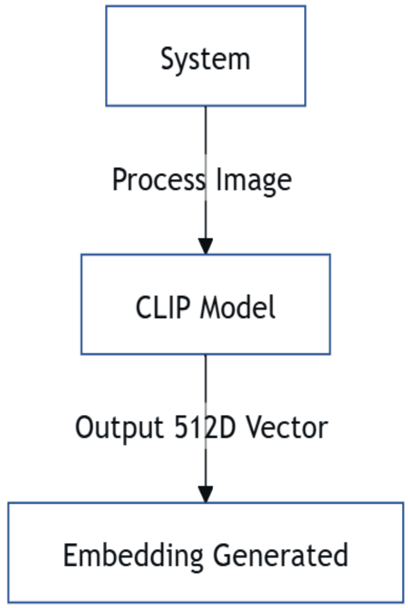

Figure 3: CLIP Embedding Generation

- **3. Similarity Matching Subsystem (GraphMatcher)**
  Compares the generated image embedding with ontology embeddings stored in Neo4j. Computes cosine similarity and retrieves the top 20 ontology nodes relevant to dementia-related anatomical features and symptoms

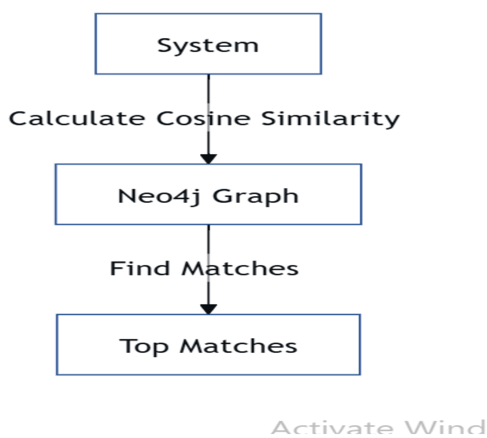

Figure 4: Ontology Similarity Matching

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- **4. Graph Management(Admin)**
  An admin for creating, editing, or deleting ontology terms in the Neo4j knowledge graph. Ensures versioned schema management and secure data integrity.

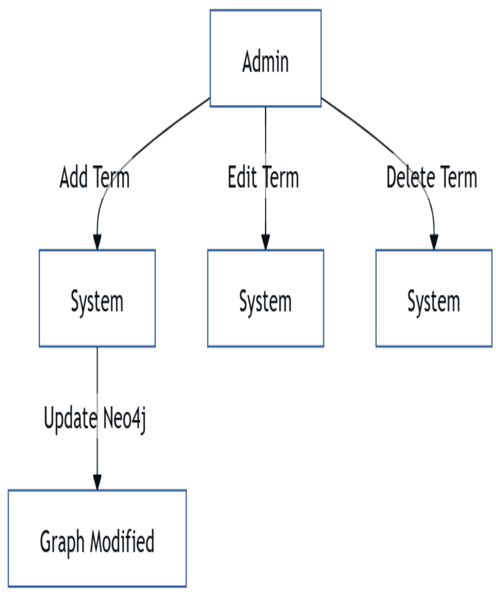

Figure 5: Graph Admin

- **5. Diagnostic Reasoning Subsystem (ReportGenerator)**
  Constructs structured prompts incorporating matched ontology terms and invokes the GPT-4 API. Parses the output into a JSON structure containing:
  - Detected dementia stage
  - Supporting findings and impression
  - Recommendations

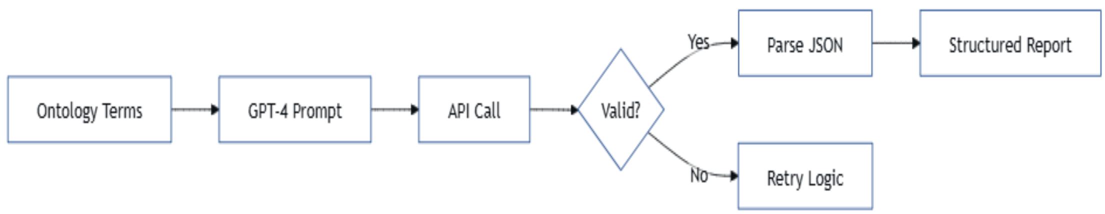

Figure 6: Generated Diagnostic Report

- **6. Visualization Subsystem (JinjaDashboard)**
  Renders the diagnostic report, ontology matches, and image results on a dynamic web dashboard using Jinja2 templating. Ensures medical interpretability for caregivers, clinicians, and patients.

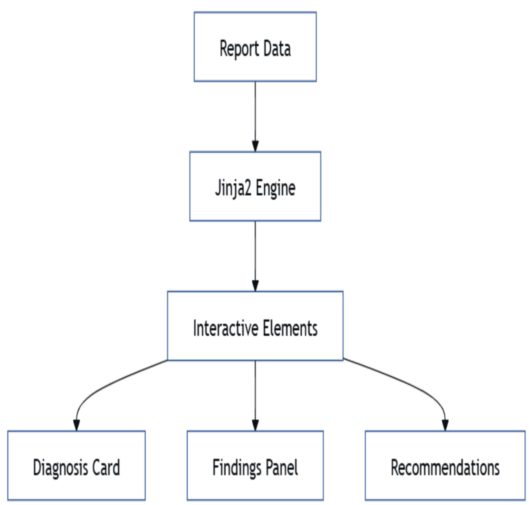

Figure 7: Jinja2-Based Visual Dashboard

The architecture promotes modularity, with each subsystem independently testable, replaceable, and extensible.

3 Design Strategies

3.1 Modular Design

Module	Responsibility
Uploader	Accept and validate MRI uploads
MRIProcessor	Generate CLIP embeddings
GraphEngine	Find similar terms in Neo4j ontology graph
ReportGenerator	Generate diagnosis and report using GPT-4.1
JinjaRenderer	Display output using HTML templates

3.2 Security

- Input filtering with Flask-WTF
- JWT for authentication

4 Detailed System Design

This section presents the detailed design of the NeuroAI Alzheimer's Dementia Staging Diagnostic System, encompassing class structure, system interactions, state transitions, data models, and GUI flow. These diagrams comprehensively describe the functionality, architecture, and user experience of the system.

4.1 Sequence Diagram

The sequence diagram captures interactions between the User, WebApp, CLIP Engine, Neo4j GraphEngine, GPT-4.1 ReportGenerator, and HTML Renderer. It demonstrates how an uploaded MRI is processed, embedded, matched to ontology, and used for diagnosis and treatment generation.

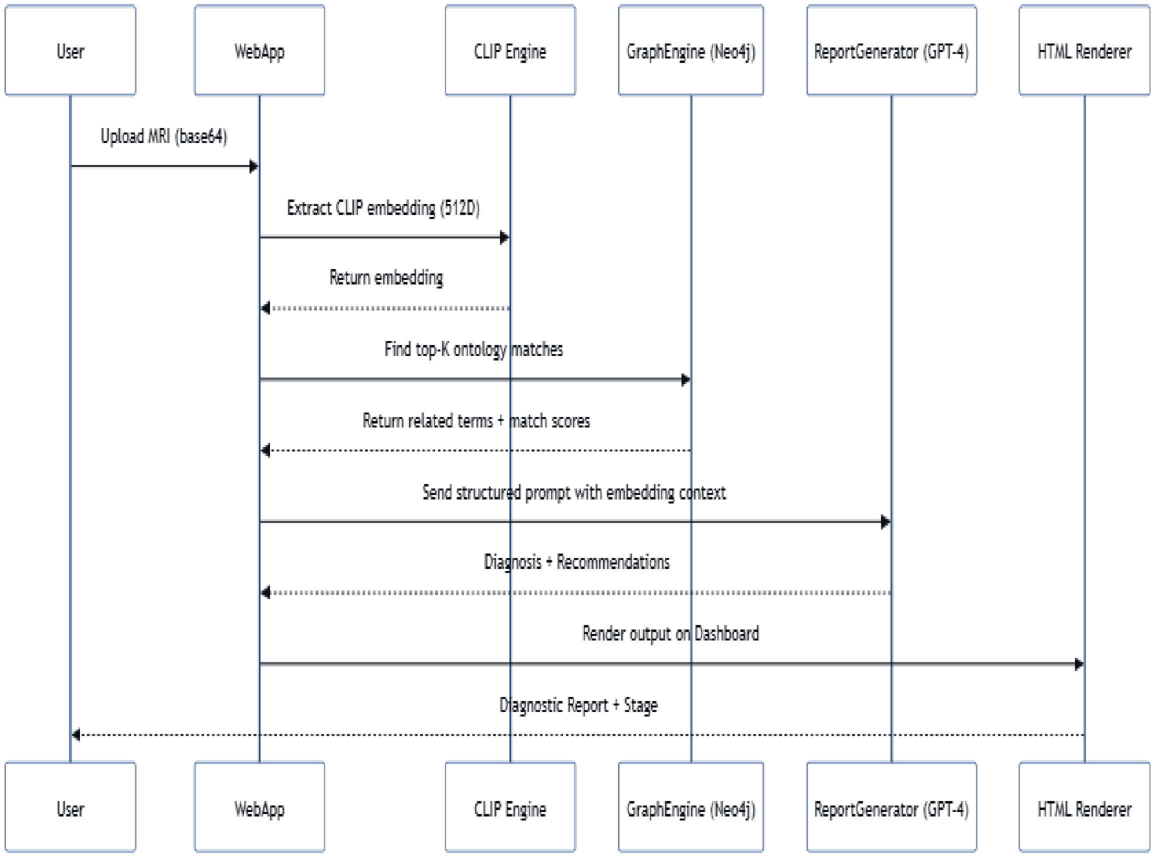

Figure 8: Sequence Diagram: MRI Diagnosis Pipeline

4.2 Class Diagram

The class diagram outlines the system components such as User, MRIUpload, CLIP-Processor, Neo4jConnector, PromptBuilder, and HTMLRenderer, along with their key attributes and responsibilities.

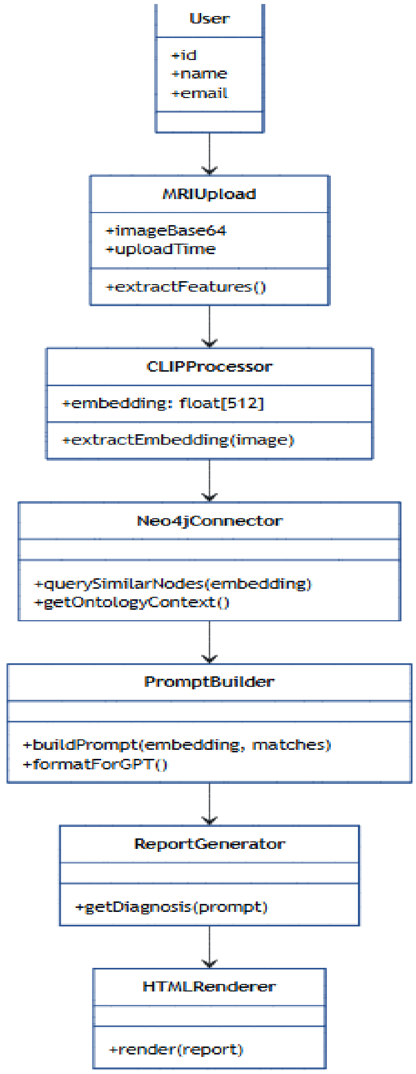

Figure 9: Class Diagram: MRI Dementia Diagnostic System

4.3 State Transition Diagram

This state diagram models the stages of the diagnostic pipeline from upload to result generation and cache storage.

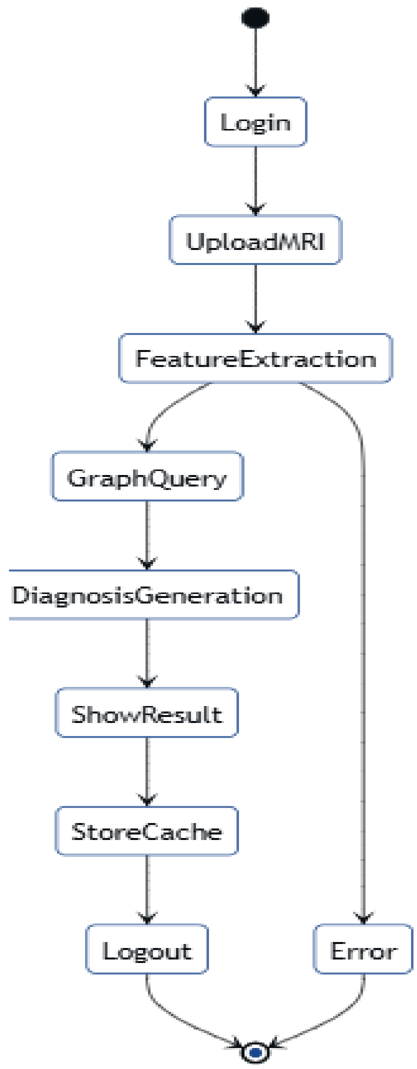

Figure 10: State Transition Diagram: Diagnostic Workflow

4.4 Logical Data Model (E/R Diagram)

This E/R diagram models key entities and their relationships, optimized for graph data handling and embedding-driven queries.

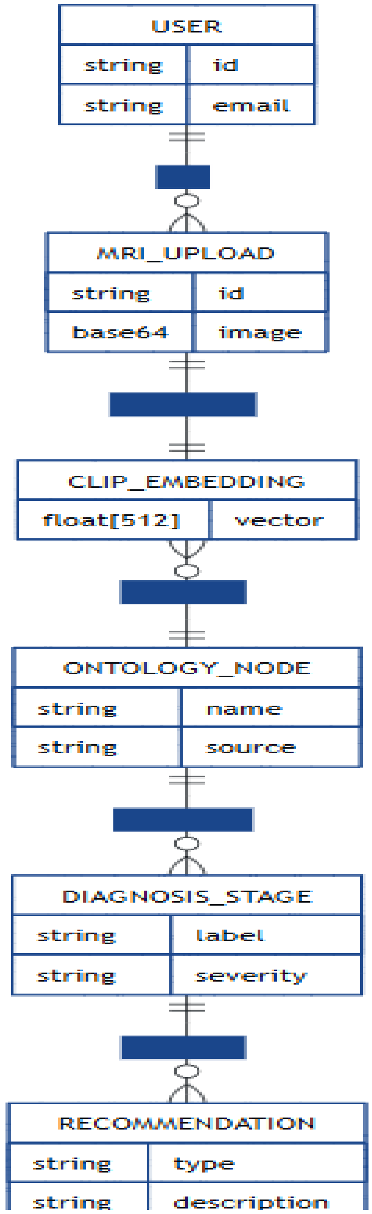

Figure 11: Entity Relationship Diagram: NeuroAI Knowledge Structure

4.5 Physical Data Model

This physical model outlines database implementation specifics: unique keys, indexing, and relationships stored in Neo4j and optionally PostgreSQL for user management.

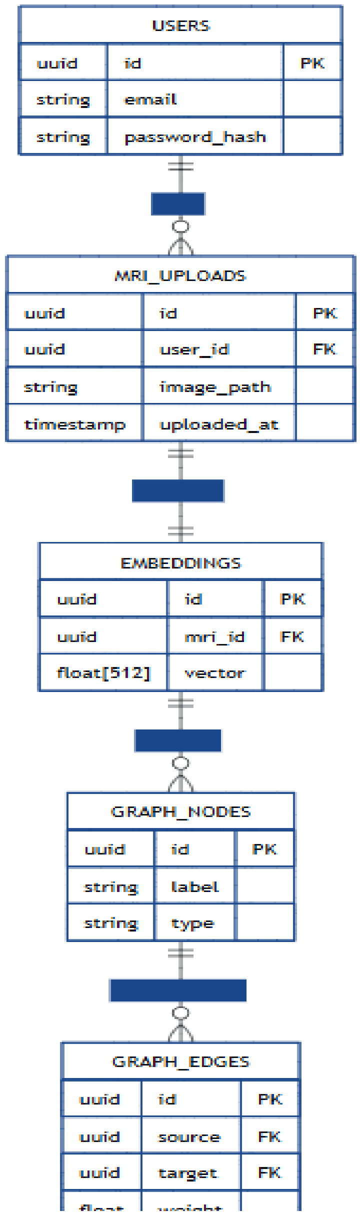

Figure 12: Physical Model: Graph and Relational Stores

4.6 GUI Flowchart

This flowchart shows the user navigation: login, upload, diagnosis, and dashboard result view.

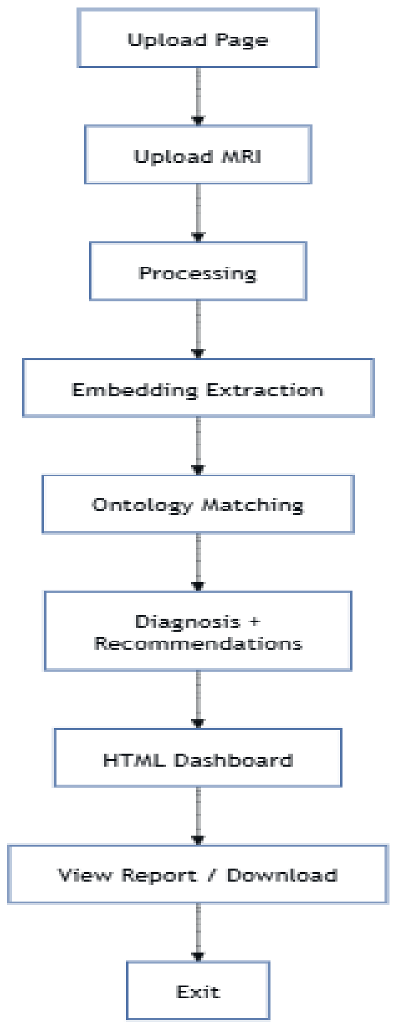

Figure 13: GUI Flowchart: MRI Upload and Diagnosis Interface

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Flask	Backend web framework
Jinja2	Frontend templating
OpenAI	GPT-4.1 API access
Neo4j	Graph database
CLIP	Image embeddings

6.2 Security Techniques

- Input validation using WTForms
- HTTPS enforced during deployment

6.3 Compliance Standards

- **HIPAA**: PHI protection through encrypted storage (AES-256) and strict access logs

- **GDPR**: Right to erasure implementation for EU patient data

6.4 Development Tools

- **IDE**: VS Code with Python/Neo4j extensions

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Test Plan

NeuroAI: AI-Enhanced Dementia Staging System for Alzheimer's Disease

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Definition of Terms and Acronyms

Term	**Definition**
AI	Artificial Intelligence
CLIP	Contrastive Language-Image Pretraining
GPT	Generative Pre-trained Transformer
NEO4J	Graph Database
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
ADO	Alzheimer's Disease Ontology
RadLex	Radiology Lexicon Ontology
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

Contents

1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document outlines the design validation and testing strategy for the NeuroAI Alzheimer's Dementia Staging Diagnostic System (NADSDS). The system leverages CLIP-ViT-B/32 for MRI scan embedding, Neo4j graph-based similarity retrieval, and GPT-4.1 for structured diagnostic reporting. Validation is performed using the OASIS-1 dataset, achieving 88.5% accuracy and 89% precision across four dementia stages.

1.2 Project Overview

The system provides:

- Secure MRI scan upload via web interface
- CLIP-based image embedding generation
- Neo4j knowledge graph similarity using node2vec
- GPT-4.1 for ontology-guided diagnostic explanations
- Structured, human-readable clinical report generation

2 Scope of Testing

The scope includes both system-level and model-level validation:

- Diagnostic accuracy against labeled datasets
- Knowledge graph integration and ontology compliance
- Web interface testing via Jinja2 templates

Excluded: MRI hardware compatibility, third-party AI API availability, minor frontend UI styling.

3 Test Plan Strategy

3.1 Integration Testing

Definition: End-to-end flow from upload to report display across modules.

Responsibility: Group Members

Strategy:

- Upload → Embedding → Graph Query → GPT Reporting → UI
- Mock GPT responses in early stages

3.2 System Testing

Definition: Full functionality and security check under realistic conditions.

Responsibility: Group Members

Scenarios:

- Simulate a full user workflow: upload, diagnosis retrieval

4 Model Validation Testing

4.1 Dataset & Methodology

- **Dataset:** OASIS-1 MRI scans (n=96)
- **Class Distribution:** 24 samples per class (Mild Dementia, Moderate Dementia, Very Mild Dementia, Non-Demented)
- **Validation Protocol:**
  - Manual evaluation based on model predictions on 96 labeled MRI samples
  - No formal train-test split; performance assessed on full labeled dataset

- Prompt-based classification using few-shot examples with and without knowledge graph augmentation
- Graph augmentation included ontology-linked context from ADO + RadLex, improving reasoning and staging accuracy
- Comparative evaluation conducted:
  - **Without Graph:** Few-shot prompting only (Accuracy = 69.9%)
  - **With Graph:** Few-shot prompting + Neo4j-based ontology context (Accuracy = 88.5%)

4.2 Performance Metrics

Metric	**Value**	**Macro Avg.**
Accuracy	88.5%	–
Precision	–	89.4%
Recall	–	88.5%
F1-Score	–	88.7%

4.3 Per-Class Metrics

Class	**Precision**	**Recall**	**F1 Score**
Mild Dementia	81.5%	91.6%	86.2%
Moderate Dementia	76.0%	79.2%	77.6%
Very Mild Dementia	100.0%	83.3%	90.9%
Non-Demented	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Macro Average	89.4%	88.5%	88.7%

4.4 Performance Comparison

- **With Knowledge Graph (Our Method):** 88.5% accuracy
- **Without Knowledge Graph (Few-Shot Only):** 69.9% accuracy

- **Improvement:** +18.6 percentage points

4.5 Performance Testing

Metric	Requirement	Actual
MRI Upload + Embedding Time	5 sec	4.1 sec
Graph Query Response	1 -3min	2 min
GPT Report Generation	7 sec	6.2 sec

5 Test Environment

- Hardware: Standard desktop/laptops, MRI PNG/JPEG datasets
- Software: Python 3.10, Flask 2.x, Neo4j 5.x, GPT-4.1 API (June 2024), Jinja2
- Network: HTTPS-secured test server

6 Schedule

Testing Activity	Start Date	End Date
Test Case Design	2025-05-02	2025-05-04
Integration Testing	2025-05-6	2025-05-13
System Testing	2025-05-14	2025-05-17

7 Control Activities

- Weekly review meetings with group members

8 Functions to be Tested

- MRI upload and validation

- GPT-4-based diagnosis and reporting
- Report rendering on UI

9 Functions Not to be Tested

- Compatibility with external medical imaging hardware (e.g., MRI scanner connectivity)
- GPT API infrastructure reliability (assumed to be maintained by OpenAI)
- Frontend UI cosmetic styles (colors, fonts, layout fine-tuning)

10 Test Case Design and Description

The testing conducted focuses on full system (end-to-end) validation to ensure that all integrated components work together as expected. The following common attributes apply to the test cases:

- **Input Constraints:** Inputs are required to conform to expected formats and ranges, such as valid MRI image formats (JPEG, PNG).
- **Environmental Needs:** The test environment must include connectivity to Neo4j, access to the OpenAI API, and support for image processing libraries.
- **Procedural Requirements:** MRI images must be pre-processed and correctly formatted.
- **Case Dependencies:** As this is a full system test, it assumes that all components have been individually verified or are tested in an integrated manner.

10.1 Test Case 1: Full System End-to-End Test

- **Title:** End-to-End MRI Analysis and Diagnosis Retrieval
- **Objective:** Verify that the complete system workflow from image upload to diagnosis and recommendation retrieval functions correctly.
- **Preconditions:** Test MRI images are available and conform to expected input constraints.
- **Input:** Upload of a valid MRI image.
- **Expected Result:** The system successfully processes the image, extracts features, queries the knowledge graph, and returns accurate diagnosis stages andrecommendations without errors.

10.2 Test Case Template

Test Case ID	TC_001
Reference Number	NAIDS-FN-01
QA Test Engineer	Isha Tariq,Areeba Imtiaz,Fatima Waseem
Test Case Version	1.0
Version Number	1.0
Reviewed By	Dr Fahad Maqbool
Test Date	2025-05-15
Use Case Reference(s)	UC-01: MRI Upload and Diagnosis
Relation to Use Cases	Directly verifies the upload and processing workflow
Revision History	2nd version

Objective	Ensure that the system successfully uploads MRI, performs base64 encoding, computes image embeddings, and generates diagnosis and report using Neo4j and GPT.
Product/Ver/Module	NeuroAI Alzheimer's Diagnosis System v1.0 / MRI Upload and Preprocessing Module
Environment	Flask server running on test VM, Google Chrome browser, HTTPS protocol, Neo4j (v5), CLIP embedding model, GPT-4.1 API
Assumptions	– MRI file is in supported format (.jpg/.png) – Graph database is populated
Pre-Requisite	– System must be running with all services active
Step No.	**Execution Description**
1	Navigate to MRI upload interface
2	Select a valid MRI file (e.g., brain_01.jpg)
3	Click on "Submit" button
4	Wait for processing, redirection to results page
ProcedureResult (Events being tested)	Image is uploaded and validated → Base64 encoded → Embedded via CLIP → Matched in Neo4j → GPT-4 generates diagnosis report
Software Response	System displays findings,impression,diagnosis stage and recommendations. Backend confirms no errors.

Comments	– Smooth workflow with successful embedding and graph querying. – Report included diagnosis: "Mild Dementia", associated findings, and recommendations. – All components behaved as expected under controlled input.

Test Execution Status: ☒ Passed ☐ Failed ☐ Not Executed

11 Traceability Matrix

Sr. No	Requirement ID	Use Case ID	GUI Element ID	Test Case ID	Status	Execution Date
1	NAIDS-REQ-01	UC-01	GUI-Upload	TC_001	Completed	2025-05-02
2	NAIDS-REQ-02	UC-02	GUI-Report	TC_002	Completed	2025-05-10

12 Major Deliverables

- Test Plan Document (this file)
- Validation Metrics Report including classification accuracy, F1-score, and prompt response evaluation
- Final Defect Summary with resolutions and improvement recommendations

13 Risks and Assumptions

- Reliable access to GPT-4.1 API is assumed throughout the testing phase

– MRI image dataset is pre-validated with accurate labels and conforms to supported formats

– Knowledge graph schema integrating Alzheimer's Disease Ontology (ADO) and RadLex has been finalized and loaded prior to system testing

14 Exit Criteria

– System achieves classification accuracy of at least 88% in dementia staging compared to ground truth labels

– Acceptance of final validation report demonstrating F1-score 85%

– Formal supervisor walkthrough and approval of the complete MRI diagnostic workflow and report generation process

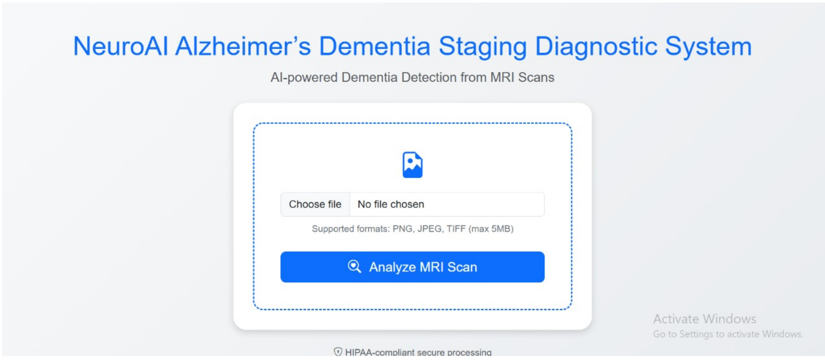
15 References

Document Title	Date	File Path / Location
Proposal Document	October 23, 2024	https://github.com/areeba-72/Aid-system.git
Requirements Specification Document	November 26, 2025	https://github.com/areeba-72/Aid-system.git
System Design Specification	December 20, 2025	https://github.com/areeba-72/Aid-system.git
Validation and Testing Summary Report	May 17, 2025	https://github.com/areeba-72/Aid-system.git

Visual Materials

System Poster

Web Interface



MRI Diagnostic Report Example

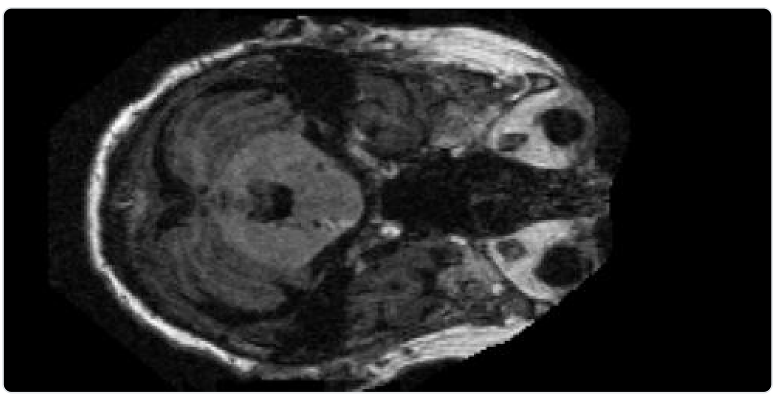
MRI BRAIN - DEMENTIA ASSESSMENT REPORT

Date: 2025-05-19 22:43:50
Report ID: 47165646

NeuroAI Alzheimer's Dementia Staging Diagnostic System

Patient ID: [Not Specified] **Age/Sex:** [Not Specified] **Referring Physician:** [Not Specified]

IMAGING



Axial T1-weighted MRI

TECHNIQUE

Multiplanar MRI sequences were obtained including T1-weighted, T2-weighted, and FLAIR images.

FINDINGS

- - Brain parenchyma: Mild to moderate global volume loss is present, particularly in the cortical regions. Asymmetry is not appreciated.
- - Ventricular system: Mildly enlarged lateral ventricles are noted, consistent with volume loss. Symmetric in appearance without evidence of obstructive hydrocephalus.
- - Sulci and gyri: Mild widening of cerebral sulci compatible with cortical thinning.
- - White matter: Scattered mild white matter hyperintensities are identified, consistent with age-related microvascular changes; there is no focal demyelinating process.
- - Basal ganglia and thalamus: No abnormal signal or structural change detected.
- - Posterior fossa: Cerebellum and brainstem are preserved in volume and signal without acute findings.

IMPRESSION

1. Primary diagnosis: Mild Dementia. The pattern of mild to moderate diffuse cortical atrophy, mild ventricular enlargement, and age-related white matter changes supports this diagnosis.

2. Supporting evidence: Findings of cortical thinning, symmetrical mild ventricular dilation, and isolated mild white matter hyperintensities are consistent with early-stage dementia as suggested by imaging. Contextual knowledge of typical age-related changes and absence of pronounced multifocal pathology further supports this categorization.

3. Differential considerations: Atypical neurodegenerative diseases cannot be entirely excluded, but are less likely given the imaging pattern and absence of focal abnormalities.

DIAGNOSIS

Mild Dementia

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. - Clinical correlation with neuropsychological testing for cognitive assessment and functional impact
2. - Re-evaluation with follow-up brain MRI in 12 months or sooner if clinical symptoms progress
3. - Routine monitoring of vascular risk factors and management of comorbidities
4. - Consider referral to neurology or specialized memory clinic for further diagnostic workup and management
5. - Discuss safety, social support, and advanced care planning with patient and caregivers
6. - Encourage participation in cognitive stimulation and structured activities
7. Important Notes:
8. - This report is based on MRI imaging features and should be interpreted in conjunction with the patient's clinical history and examination findings.

Processing Time: 129.08 seconds

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