

1. Project Architecture: The Asynchronous Core

The foundation of your project is designed to be fast and fail-safe, separating the user interface from the heavy computation.

Phase	Technology	Purpose
Frontend/API	Django REST Framework (DRF)	Ingestion: Receives the uploaded image file (via POST /api/upload/).
Queueing	Celery	Asynchrony: Immediately offloads the heavy work to the background, ensuring the web response is instant.
Message Broker	Redis	Queue: Acts as the high-speed communication channel where the Celery task ID is temporarily stored until a worker is available.
Worker	Celery Worker	Execution: Listens to the Redis queue, picks up the task, and executes the entire processing pipeline defined in core/tasks.py.

2. The Processing Pipeline (The process_image_pipeline Task)

This task executes the image analysis in a strict, ordered flow.

A. Gatekeeping and Initial Data Capture

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Validate Image	Pillow / Python OS	Pruning: Checks if the file is readable, a valid format, and meets minimum size requirements. If it fails here, the task stops immediately.
Human Detection	MediaPipe Pose Landmarker	Filter: Checks for the presence of a human subject (if pose_landmarks are found). If no body is detected, the image is tagged as REJECTED.

Get Dimensions	<code>get_image_dimensions</code> (Helper)	Calibration: Gets the original image width (\$w\$) and height (\$h\$) in pixels, which is essential for converting the model's normalized coordinates (0.0 to 1.0) into usable pixel coordinates.
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B. Core Extraction and Asset Creation

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Pose Keypoints & BBox	MediaPipe Pose Landmarker	Core Data: Extracts the 33 keypoints (like Nose, Elbows, Knees) and uses these extreme points to calculate the overall Human Bounding Box and Detection Confidence .
Background Removal	Rembg (U-2-Net)	Asset Cleanup: Creates a clean, ready-to-use digital asset (transparent PNG).
Clothing Mask	MediaPipe Multi-class Segmenter	Analysis Tool: Creates a precise binary mask showing only the clothing area, which is required for the next step.
Refined Dominant Colors	Scikit-learn (K-Means)	Accuracy: Clusters only the pixels within the clothing mask. This prevents background colors (e.g., blue walls) from contaminating the final color output.

C. Final Attributes and Data Saving

Step	Model/Technology	Purpose
Age/Sex Estimation	OpenCV DNN (Caffe Models)	Optional Data: Uses the calculated positions of the nose and eyes (from Pose Keypoints) to generate a tightly cropped image of the face, which is then classified for Estimated Age and Gender .
Smart Error Handling	Python try/except + kombu.OperationalError	Resilience: Differentiates between transient errors (which trigger a retry) and permanent structural failures (which mark the task as FAILED immediately).
Data Output	Django ORM	Finalization: Assembles all the results (BBox, Keypoints, Colors, Confidence, Age, Sex, Mask Path) into a comprehensive

	JSON Metadata field and saves the record as COMPLETED.
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