

Automated PDF to Markdown Conversion

Structured Layout Extraction and Markdown Generation

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1 Introduction

This project aims to develop a system that automatically converts any PDF file into a well-structured Markdown file (.md). The output must preserve headings, paragraphs, lists, figures, tables, and document hierarchy.

2 Objective

- Build a pipeline that extracts structured content from PDFs.
- Ensure Markdown output preserves:
 - Headings (# to ######)
 - Paragraphs
 - Lists
 - Figures with captions
 - Tables
 - Document hierarchy

3 Task Scope

- The system must be built using classical programming, parsing, and layout analysis techniques using **deep learning**.
- No LLM usage is allowed for text extraction, structuring, or Markdown generation.
- All outputs should be derived from direct PDF parsing, OCR, or rule-based layout analysis methods.

4 Automated Pipeline

- 1. **PDF Preprocessing:** Render each page to image for layout analysis. Extract embedded text if available; otherwise apply OCR.
- 2. Layout Analysis: Detect structural elements (titles, headings, paragraphs, lists, figures, tables, captions).
- 3. **Text Grouping & Recognition:** Merge text lines into blocks, handle multi-column layouts, remove headers/footers.
- 4. **Hierarchy Derivation:** Assign heading levels H1-H5 based on font size, boldness, indentation, or structural cues.
- 5. Markdown Conversion: Map layout classes into Markdown tags. Insert figures/tables with captions and preserve indentation.
- 6. Output Assembly: Concatenate outputs page by page and save as a clean .md file.

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5 Deliverables

Deliverable	Description	Due Date
System implementation	Full pipeline code for PDF-to-Markdown conversion.	22/09/2025
Documentation	Report covering architecture, pipeline stages, and examples.	22/09/2025
Sample outputs	Example PDFs converted to Markdown (with images/tables).	22/09/2025
GitHub repository	Code with README, requirements, and usage instructions.	22/09/2025

Table 1: Deliverables and Timeline

6 Contact / Questions

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For clarifications, reach out to the project owner.

 $This\ document\ serves\ as\ the\ official\ specification\ and\ guideline\ for\ the\ assigned\ task.$