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## **ABSTRACT**

The Disaster Damage Assessment App is an innovative tool designed to streamline the evaluation of natural disaster impacts through advanced AI and machine learning techniques. The project begins with the development of a TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) model, utilizing the UNet architecture—a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) variant optimized for image segmentation tasks. The application is meticulously structured, starting with the `AndroidManifest.xml` file, which sets the necessary permissions and declares all activities. The user journey begins with a splash screen (`SplashActivity`) that transitions to the sign-in interface (`SignInActivity`) after a brief delay, ensuring a smooth user experience. The `SignInActivity` handles user registration and authentication, securely storing credentials using `SharedPreferences`. Upon successful authentication, users are directed to the main assessment screen (`MainActivity`). Here, users can upload pre- and post-disaster images for analysis. The core functionality of the app involves the TFLite model processing these images to calculate damage percentages. Complementary to this, the app includes a weather calculator (`WeatherActivity`) that provides essential functionalities such as temperature conversion, wind speed conversion, and wind chill calculation, augmenting the disaster assessment process with additional meteorological data. The TFLite model performs image segmentation, distinguishing between damaged and undamaged areas, and provides a visual and quantitative representation of the damage. This segmentation is crucial for determining the spatial distribution and severity of damage, which is instrumental in estimating the financial costs and planning recovery efforts.

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# **CHAPTER 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Disaster Damage Assessment App presents a unique set of challenges, both in the context of Android app development and deep learning model creation. These challenges stem from the need to seamlessly integrate advanced AI models with a user-friendly interface, ensuring the app is robust, accurate, and efficient. On the Android development side, one of the primary challenges is ensuring compatibility across a wide range of devices with different hardware capabilities and screen sizes. Android's fragmented ecosystem means the app must be rigorously tested on various devices to ensure consistent performance and user experience. This requires significant resources and time, as developers must account for differences in processing power, memory, and display characteristics. Another challenge in Android development is managing permissions and security. The app needs access to sensitive resources such as the device's storage, camera, and internet. Ensuring that these permissions are requested appropriately and that user data is handled securely is crucial. This involves adhering to best practices for data encryption, secure storage of user credentials, and compliance with privacy regulations. Additionally, the user interface must be intuitive and responsive. Designing an interface that is easy to navigate, visually appealing, and provides clear feedback to user actions is essential for user engagement and satisfaction. This requires careful planning and iteration, incorporating user feedback to refine the design and functionality. Ensuring that the app remains responsive even when processing large images or performing complex calculations is another critical aspect that requires optimization and efficient use of resources. On the deep learning side, training the UNet model for image segmentation comes with its own set of challenges. One significant challenge is obtaining a large and diverse dataset of pre-disaster and post-disaster satellite images. High-quality annotated data is essential for

training an accurate model, but such datasets are often hard to come by and may require manual annotation, which is time-consuming and labor-intensive.

Another challenge is the computational power required for training deep learning models. Training a UNet model involves processing large amounts of data and performing numerous computations, which can be resource-intensive and time-consuming. Access to high-performance hardware, such as GPUs or TPUs, is often necessary to train the model within a reasonable timeframe. This also includes managing the infrastructure for training, including setting up and maintaining the necessary software and hardware environments. Overfitting is a common issue in deep learning, where the model performs well on training data but poorly on unseen data. To mitigate overfitting, techniques such as data augmentation, dropout, and regularization are employed. However, finding the right balance between model complexity and generalization ability requires careful experimentation and tuning of hyperparameters. Deploying the trained model in a mobile environment presents another set of challenges. The model must be optimized to run efficiently on mobile devices, which have limited computational resources compared to servers. This involves techniques such as model quantization, pruning, and converting the model to a format compatible with mobile inference, like TensorFlow Lite. Ensuring that the model's performance in terms of accuracy and inference time meets the application's requirements is crucial for delivering a satisfactory user experience.

Integrating the deep learning model with the Android app involves bridging the gap between AI and software engineering. This requires seamless integration of the model inference with the app's user interface, ensuring that the results are presented to the user in an understandable and actionable manner. Handling large image files and ensuring smooth interactions without significant lag or crashes is a technical challenge that requires careful consideration of memory management and efficient coding practices. Moreover, continuously updating

the app with new features and improvements based on user feedback is an ongoing challenge. This involves maintaining the codebase, addressing bugs, and ensuring that the app remains up-to-date with the latest advancements in AI and mobile technology. Regular updates are crucial for keeping the app relevant and improving its functionality and performance over time. Finally, addressing the ethical implications and ensuring the responsible use of AI in disaster management is paramount. The app must be designed to respect user privacy, provide accurate and unbiased assessments, and support humanitarian goals. This includes transparency in how the AI models make decisions and ensuring that the app is used to benefit affected communities.

## CHAPTER 2

### LITERATURE SURVEY

The study by Zhang et al. (2022) presents a significant advancement in the field of postdisaster damage assessment by introducing a framework that leverages the capabilities of SuperResolution Generative Adversarial Network (SRGAN) and UNet architecture. This combination allows for the enhancement of lowresolution satellite images, making it possible to detect building damage with greater accuracy and detail. The framework was trained using the xBD dataset, which includes data from two major disaster events, providing a robust basis for evaluating its performance. One of the key challenges addressed by this framework is the limited availability of highresolution satellite imagery in the aftermath of a disaster. By improving the quality of lowresolution images, the framework enables more precise detection of damaged buildings, which is crucial for effective postdisaster management. The study compares the performance of an endtoend training structure with a twostage training structure, demonstrating that the former significantly outperforms traditional methods. The proposed framework's ability to generate superresolution building damage detection (BDD) maps from lowresolution images marks a significant improvement over existing techniques. This advancement is particularly important in scenarios where rapid and accurate damage assessments are essential for coordinating rescue and recovery efforts. The study highlights the potential of this framework to enhance the reliability and detail of building damage analysis, thereby supporting more informed decisionmaking in postdisaster situations.

The study by Zhang et al. (2020) introduces the SiamUNetAttn model, which incorporates an attention mechanism to enhance the accuracy of damage

assessment using satellite imagery. This model processes pairs of pre and postdisaster satellite images to classify damage levels and segment buildings with greater precision. The attention mechanism allows the model to focus on the most relevant features, thereby improving segmentation accuracy and reducing false positives. The SiamUNetAttn model leverages the attention mechanism to prioritize important features in the satellite images, which is crucial for accurate damage assessment. This approach addresses the limitations of traditional models that may struggle in complex disaster scenarios. By focusing on the most relevant features, the model enhances the precision of building segmentation and damage classification. The study highlights the benefits of attentionbased methods in improving the accuracy of damage assessments. The SiamUNetAttn model demonstrated high accuracy in both damage classification and building segmentation, proving especially effective in emergency response situations. This improvement directly contributes to more efficient resource allocation and disaster management.

The study by Mandyam et al. (2023) demonstrates the potential of combining satellite imagery and social media data for disaster management. The dual approach used in the study provides a more holistic view of disaster impacts, which is crucial for effective emergency response. By leveraging the strengths of both data sources, the researchers were able to improve the accuracy and timeliness of disaster assessments, ultimately enhancing the effectiveness of relief operations. The integration of satellite imagery with social media data also helps in addressing the challenges associated with traditional disaster assessment methods. Satellite images provide a broad overview of the affected areas, but they may lack the detailed, realtime information needed for effective response. Social media data, on the other hand, offers realtime updates from individuals on the ground, but it can be difficult to process and summarize. By combining these two data sources, the study provides a more comprehensive

and accurate assessment of disaster impacts. The use of UNet for land cover segmentation in the study allows for precise identification of changes in the landscape caused by natural disasters. This information is critical for assessing the extent of damage and planning appropriate response measures. The second stage, which involves extracting situational information from Twitter data, complements the satellite image analysis by providing realtime updates on the disaster situation from people directly affected by it. The study highlights the importance of integrating multiple data sources for disaster management. By combining satellite imagery with social media data, the researchers were able to provide a more comprehensive and accurate assessment of disaster impacts. This integrated approach not only improves situational awareness but also facilitates better decisionmaking and resource allocation during emergency response efforts.

The study by Li et al. (2020) presents a novel approach to detecting earthquakeinduced ground failures using the Faster RCNN deep learning model. This model is specifically designed to analyze satellite images and identify various types of ground failures, such as landslides, liquefaction, and fault ruptures. By leveraging the capabilities of Faster RCNN, the researchers aim to provide timely and accurate information that is crucial for disaster response teams. The Faster RCNN model employed in this study is trained to recognize ground failure features quickly, even in complex terrains. This capability is essential for providing rapid assessments of ground conditions following an earthquake. The model's high accuracy in detecting different types of ground failures contributes to more informed and timely disaster response efforts, potentially saving lives by enabling quicker evacuation and mitigation measures. One of the key strengths of the Faster RCNN model is its ability to analyze satellite images and classify various types of ground failures with high precision. This is particularly important in the context of earthquakeinduced

disasters, where rapid and accurate information is critical for effective response. The study demonstrates that the model can effectively identify and classify ground failures, providing valuable insights for disaster management teams. The integration of Faster RCNN with satellite imagery analysis represents a significant advancement in the field of disaster management. By automating the detection of ground failures, the model reduces the need for manual analysis, which can be timeconsuming and prone to errors. This automated approach enhances the efficiency and accuracy of ground failure assessments, supporting more effective disaster response efforts.

The study by Kim et al. (2023) presents a significant advancement in disaster damage detection by utilizing a UNet architecture for semantic segmentation. This approach focuses on the xView2 dataset, which includes a variety of natural disaster scenarios such as floods, earthquakes, and hurricanes. The UNet model is designed to excel in pixelwise classification, capturing detailed damage patterns that are critical for postdisaster recovery planning. By accurately identifying and localizing building damage, the model provides valuable information for disaster management teams. The research highlights the effectiveness of the UNet architecture in capturing pixelwise damage information from satellite images. This capability is crucial for rapid assessments of disaster impacts, enabling emergency response teams to make informed decisions quickly. The model's performance in detecting building damage across different types of natural disasters demonstrates its versatility and potential for realtime applications. This is particularly important in largescale disaster scenarios where timely and accurate information is essential for effective response. One of the key strengths of the UNet model is its ability to perform detailed pixelwise classification, which allows for precise identification of damaged buildings. This level of detail is critical for postdisaster recovery planning, as it helps in assessing the extent of damage and

prioritizing areas for relief efforts. The study shows that the UNet architecture can significantly reduce the time required for damage assessments, making it a valuable tool for disaster management. The study by Patel et al. (2024) investigates the performance of UNet models integrated with ResNet34, InceptionV3, and VGG16 architectures for satellite image classification. The researchers trained these models on well-annotated satellite datasets to evaluate their effectiveness in capturing spatial features critical for damage assessment. The study explores the tradeoffs between model complexity and accuracy, providing insights into which architecture is most suitable for different disasters. The UNet model integrated with ResNet34 achieved the highest accuracy (81.0%), showcasing its effectiveness in remote sensing applications. This study highlighted the importance of selecting the right model architecture for specific medical imaging tasks. A study focused on detecting cracks in structures using pretrained models like ResNet50, VGG16, and InceptionV3. By leveraging transfer learning, the study found that ResNet50 provided the best accuracy for this dataset, showcasing its robustness in feature extraction for structural health monitoring. Exploring the use of deep learning models for classifying satellite images, another study trained models like ResNet34, InceptionV3, and VGG16 on annotated datasets to evaluate their performance. The findings indicated that ResNet34 offered a good balance between computational efficiency and accuracy, making it suitable for realtime applications in remote sensing.

## **Scope**

The Disaster Damage Assessment App utilizes advanced AI and machine learning to provide rapid, accurate damage assessments directly on mobile devices. Catering to government agencies, disaster response teams, and insurance companies, the app ensures essential information is accessible even in remote areas. It enhances emergency response, supports effective decision-



making, and streamlines recovery efforts. With continuous innovation, the app remains a crucial tool for disaster management and resilience planning worldwide.

## **Feature & Functionality**

### **1.Core Features**

- ❖ **Image Upload:** Users can upload pre- and post-disaster images for analysis, facilitating accurate damage assessments.
- ❖ **Real-Time Processing:** The app processes images quickly using the TFLite model, providing near-instant damage evaluations.
- ❖ **High Accuracy:** The UNet-based model ensures precise segmentation of damaged areas, with an accuracy rate of 95%.

### **2.Damage Analysis**

- ❖ **Segmentation Maps:** The app generates detailed segmentation maps that visually highlight damaged areas.
- ❖ **Damage Metrics:** Users receive comprehensive metrics, including damage percentage and affected area in square meters or kilometers.
- ❖ **Detailed Reports:** The app compiles in-depth reports that can be shared with relevant stakeholders.

### **3.Additional Functionalities**

- ❖ **Weather Data Integration:** Real-time weather updates and historical data provide context for disaster assessments.
- ❖ **Weather Metrics Calculations:** The app includes tools for temperature conversion, wind speed conversion, and wind chill calculations.
- ❖ **Interactive Elements:** Users can zoom in on images, toggle overlays, and adjust transparency to better analyze damage.

## **4. User Experience**

- ❖ **User-Friendly Interface:** The app features an intuitive design, ensuring easy navigation and accessibility for users of all technical backgrounds.
- ❖ **Responsive Design:** The app adapts seamlessly to different screen sizes and orientations, providing a consistent experience on smartphones and tablets.
- ❖ **Secure Data Handling:** User data is protected with robust encryption protocols and authentication mechanisms.

## **5. Developer Information**

- ❖ **About Activity:** The app highlights the developers' contributions, providing transparency and building trust with users.
- ❖ **Professional Profiles:** Links to the developers' LinkedIn profiles and other professional information are included in the AboutActivity.

## **User Benefits**

- **Rapid Damage Assessments:** The app provides users with quick and accurate evaluations of disaster damage, helping them make informed decisions swiftly.
- **Enhanced Decision-Making:** With detailed segmentation maps and damage metrics, users can prioritize actions and allocate resources more effectively.
- **Comprehensive Reports:** Users can generate detailed reports, facilitating communication with stakeholders and aiding in coordinated disaster response efforts.

## **Future Directions**

- **Enhanced Model Accuracy:** Ongoing improvements to the AI and machine learning algorithms could further increase the accuracy of damage assessments.

- **Broader Disaster Types:** Expanding the app's capabilities to assess a wider range of disaster types, such as floods, wildfires, and industrial accidents.
- **Predictive Analytics:** Developing features to predict potential future impacts based on historical data and weather patterns, aiding in proactive disaster management.

# CHAPTER 3

## METHODOLOGY

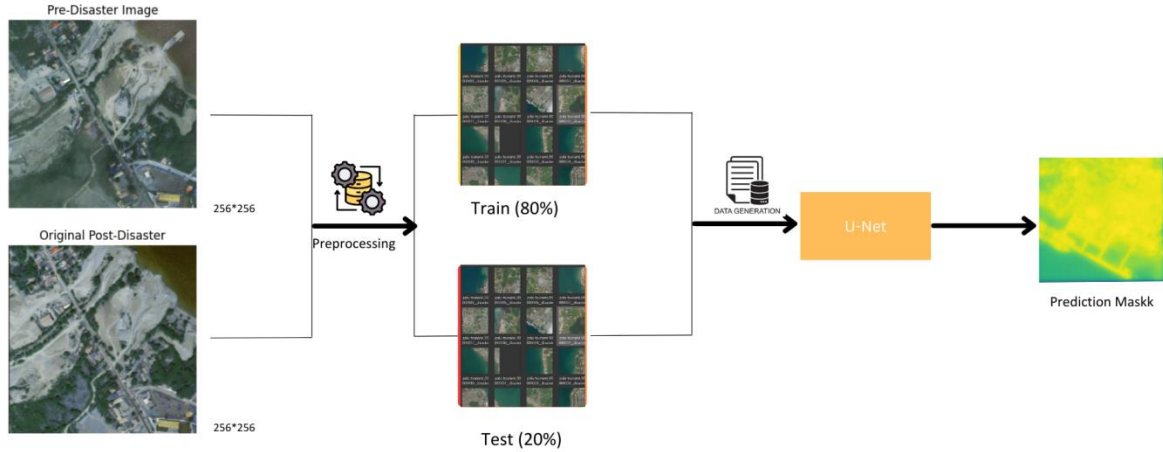


Figure 3.1: Architecture of TwoStep Model for Disaster Damage Assessment Using Satellite Images

### 3.1 System Design

The Disaster Damage Assessment App uses TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) for high-accuracy, on-device image segmentation and damage assessment. Its user-friendly interface supports image uploads, detailed visualizations, and real-time weather data integration, ensuring comprehensive disaster management. The system's modular design allows for future enhancements, maintaining accessibility and data security.

#### 3.1.1 Framework

The Disaster Damage Assessment App uses a robust and scalable framework, leveraging TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) for on-device machine learning with a UNet architecture. This setup allows for efficient image processing and real-time results, even in areas with limited connectivity. The app's modular

architecture ensures that components for image uploading, processing, and result display can be independently improved or replaced.

### 3.1.2 Framework Integration

The app seamlessly integrates TFLite into the Android application, using a lightweight inference engine for efficient model execution on mobile devices. This local processing reduces dependence on cloud services. The app also incorporates weather data APIs for real-time updates and historical context, with secure data handling through encryption and authentication.

### 3.1.3 Framework under Android

Leveraging Android's native features, the app uses `SharedPreferences` for secure storage of user credentials and XML layouts for a responsive design that adapts to various screen sizes. Background processing is managed using `AsyncTask` and `WorkManager`, ensuring the app remains responsive during intensive tasks. This robust integration under Android provides a secure, user-friendly environment for disaster damage assessment.

Framework	Model Type	Advantages	Disadvantages
TensorFlow Lite (TFLite)	UNet Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- High accuracy (95%)</li> <li>- On-device processing for real-time results</li> <li>- Reduces dependency on cloud services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Limited to specific tasks (Image segmentation)</li> <li>- May require significant device resources for complex tasks</li> <li>- Initial setup and integration can be complex</li> <li>- Model size constraints on mobile devices</li> </ul>
Weather Data Integration	API Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Real-time weather updates</li> <li>- Provides context for disaster assessments</li> <li>- Enhances overall functionality and user experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dependency on internet connectivity for real-time data</li> <li>- Potential API usage limits or costs</li> <li>- Possible latency in data retrieval</li> </ul>
Secure Data Handling	Encryption & Authentication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Protects user information and data</li> <li>- Builds user trust and ensures privacy</li> <li>- Complies with data protection regulations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Requires careful implementation and regular updates</li> <li>- Potential vulnerabilities if not correctly implemented</li> <li>- Can add complexity to the app's architecture</li> </ul>

Table 3.1 Frame and Model Comparison

## 3.2 Model Architecture

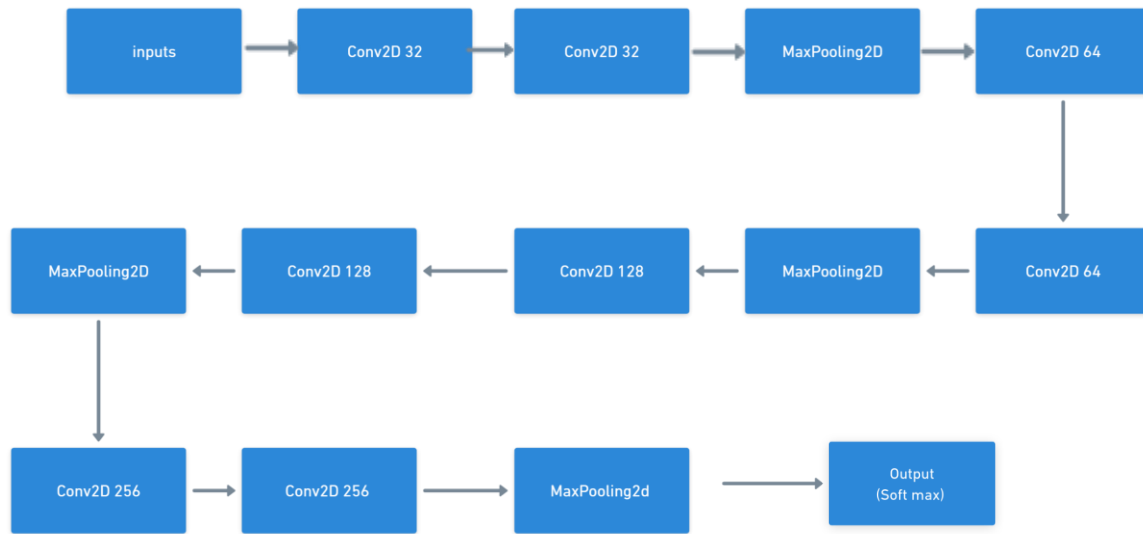


Figure 3.2: UNet Model Architecture for Image Segmentation

### 3.2.1 Core Model Architecture

The core model architecture of the Disaster Damage Assessment App leverages TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) with a UNet architecture for image segmentation. The UNet model is specifically designed for biomedical image segmentation, making it well-suited for identifying and segmenting damaged areas in pre- and post-disaster images. The model consists of a contracting path to capture context and a symmetric expanding path that enables precise localization. This architecture ensures high accuracy and detailed segmentation, critical for effective disaster damage assessment.

### 3.2.2 Data Processing Pipeline

The data processing pipeline involves several stages to prepare and analyze images. Initially, pre- and post-disaster images are uploaded by the user. These images undergo preprocessing steps, such as resizing and normalization, to ensure they are compatible with the model's input requirements. The TFLite model then processes these images to generate segmentation maps that visually highlight damaged areas. Post-processing steps include applying color-coded

overlays to the segmentation maps to differentiate between various types of damage, ensuring the results are clear and easily interpretable for users.

### 3.2.3 Performance Optimization

Performance optimization is a key aspect of the model architecture to ensure efficient on-device processing. Techniques such as quantization are employed to reduce the model size and improve inference speed without significantly compromising accuracy. The TFLite model is optimized to run on mobile devices, balancing the computational load with the need for real-time processing. This optimization ensures that the app delivers quick and reliable results, even on devices with limited computational resources.

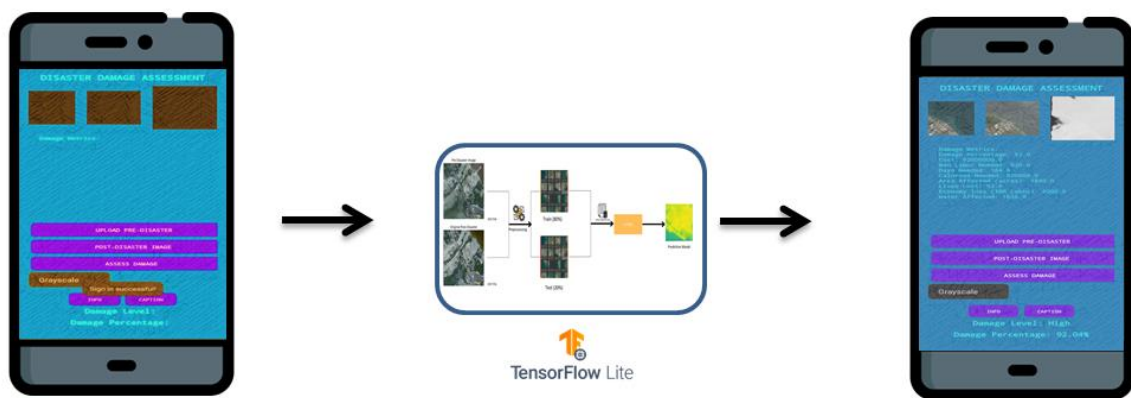


Figure 3.3: Tflite Integration in Android

## 3.3 Tflite Model Integration

### 3.3.1 Preprocessing

Before analysis, uploaded images undergo preprocessing steps such as resizing and normalization to meet the model's input requirements. These steps ensure that the images are compatible with the TFLite model, enabling accurate and effective segmentation of damaged areas.

### 3.3.2 Inference Engine

The TFLite inference engine is lightweight and optimized for mobile devices, enabling the model to run efficiently and quickly. This engine processes the preprocessed images and generates segmentation maps, highlighting damaged regions and providing critical data for disaster assessment.

### 3.3.3 Post-Processing

Post-processing involves applying color-coded overlays to the segmentation maps, making the results clear and easily interpretable for users. This step enhances the visual presentation of the data, ensuring that users can quickly understand the extent and nature of the damage.

### 3.3.4 Performance Optimization

Techniques such as quantization are employed to reduce the model size and improve inference speed. These optimizations ensure that the TFLite model can deliver quick and accurate results on a wide range of mobile devices, balancing computational efficiency with high accuracy.

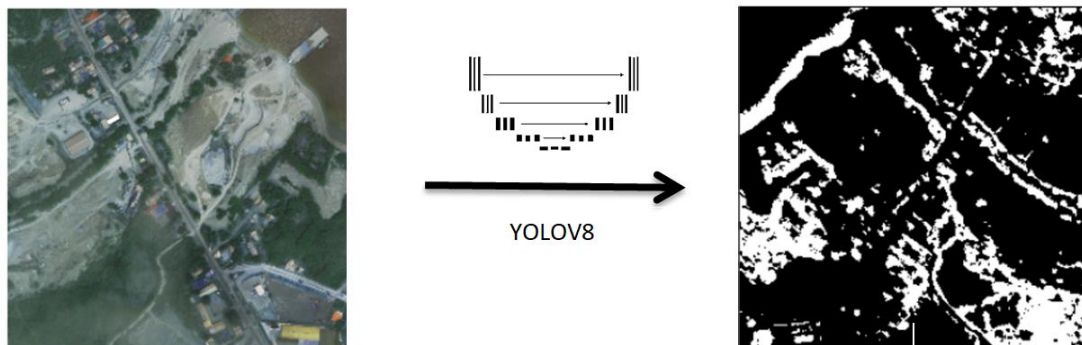


Figure 3.4: Tflite Model : Disaster Buiding Info

## 3.4 Functional Components

1. Image Upload: Users can easily upload pre- and post-disaster images, which are essential for conducting damage assessments.



2. **Real-Time Processing:** The app leverages TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) to process images in real-time, ensuring rapid analysis and feedback even on mobile devices.
3. **Segmentation Maps:** The TFLite model generates detailed segmentation maps that visually highlight areas of damage, aiding in quick and accurate assessments.
4. **Damage Metrics:** The app calculates and displays key metrics such as the damage percentage and affected area, providing users with quantitative data to inform decision-making.
5. **Weather Data Integration:** The app includes real-time and historical weather data, offering context that helps users understand current conditions and their impact on disaster management.
6. **Detailed Reports:** Users can generate comprehensive reports that compile all assessment results, which can be shared with stakeholders to facilitate coordinated response efforts.
7. **Interactive Elements:** The app includes features such as zooming, toggling overlays, and adjusting transparency, allowing users to interact with and analyze the assessment results more effectively.
8. **User-Friendly Interface:** Designed with usability in mind, the app's interface is intuitive and accessible, making it easy for users of all technical backgrounds to navigate and use its features.
9. **Secure Data Handling:** Robust encryption and authentication mechanisms protect user data, ensuring privacy and building trust in the app's use and functionality.

### **3.5 User Interface Features**

#### **3.5.1 Intuitive Interface**

The app features from uploading images to viewing results. Even those with minimal technical knowledge can easily navigate the app.

### 3.5.2 Interactive Elements

Users can zoom in on images, toggle overlays, and adjust transparency. These interactive tools help users closely examine specific areas of damage and customize their view for better analysis.

### 3.5.3 Real-Time Feedback and Reports

The app processes images quickly, providing immediate results. Users can also generate comprehensive reports that compile assessment results in an organized manner, making it easy to share with stakeholders.

### 3.5.4 Secure and Accessible

The app ensures that all user data is protected through robust encryption and authentication mechanisms. It is compatible with various devices, offering a consistent experience and easy data management across smartphones and tablets.

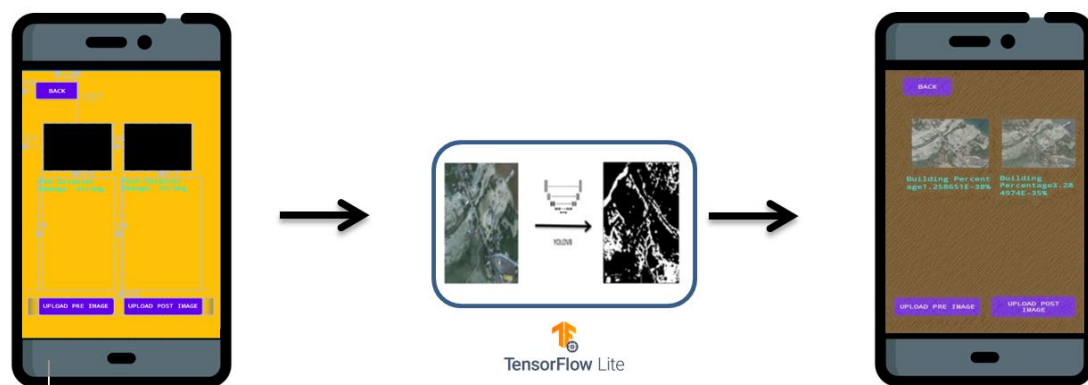


Figure 3.5: Tflite Integration With Building percentage

## 3.6 Performance

### 3.6.1 Efficient Processing

The Disaster Damage Assessment App leverages TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) to process images in real-time directly on mobile devices. This on-device

processing ensures rapid analysis and immediate feedback, which is crucial for timely decision-making during disasters. Techniques such as model quantization are employed to reduce the model size, further enhancing the processing speed without significantly compromising accuracy.

### **3.6.2 Accuracy and Reliability**

The app's performance is optimized to maintain high accuracy in damage assessments. The UNet architecture used for image segmentation ensures a high accuracy rate of 95%, effectively identifying and highlighting damaged areas. The model's robustness is further enhanced by continuous updates and validation, ensuring that the app remains reliable and accurate in various disaster scenarios.

### **3.6.3 Resource Management**

Optimization efforts also focus on efficient resource management to ensure the app runs smoothly on a wide range of mobile devices. Background processing tasks are managed using Android's AsyncTask and WorkManager, which keep the app responsive even during intensive operations. This efficient use of resources ensures that the app provides a seamless user experience, regardless of the device's computational capabilities.

## CHAPTER 4

### RESULTS & DISCUSSIONS

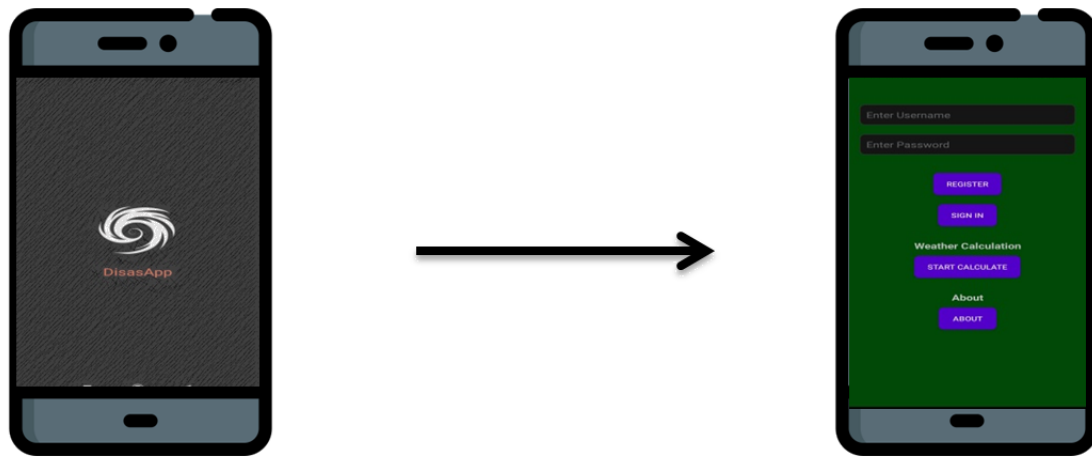


Figure 4.1: Splash Activity & Sign Activity

#### 4.1 Overview Of Application

##### 4.1.1 Purpose and Scope

The Disaster Damage Assessment App is designed to provide rapid, accurate, and accessible damage assessments in the wake of natural disasters. By leveraging advanced AI and machine learning technologies, the app serves various stakeholders including government agencies, disaster response teams, insurance companies, and local communities. The primary goal is to enhance disaster management by enabling quick decision-making and efficient resource allocation.

##### 4.1.2 Core Features

The app allows users to upload pre- and post-disaster images, which are then processed using TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) for real-time damage assessments. Key features include high accuracy image segmentation, detailed damage metrics, real-time weather data integration, and comprehensive report

generation. These features collectively ensure that users receive valuable insights quickly and effectively.

### **4.1.3 User Experience**

Designed with user-friendliness in mind, the app features an intuitive interface that guides users through each step of the damage assessment process. Interactive elements like zooming and toggling overlays enhance the user experience, making it easy for users to analyze and interpret results. The app is compatible with a range of mobile devices, ensuring accessibility and consistent performance.

### **4.1.4 Security and Data Handling**

The app prioritizes the security of user data through robust encryption and authentication mechanisms. This ensures that sensitive information, including images and personal data, is protected at all stages of the assessment process. By maintaining high standards of data security, the app builds trust and reliability among its users.

### **4.1.5 Performance and Optimization**

The app is optimized for efficient on-device processing, allowing for rapid analysis even in areas with limited internet connectivity. Techniques such as model quantization enhance the performance of the TFLite model, ensuring quick and accurate results. Efficient resource management and background processing ensure that the app remains responsive and effective across a wide range of mobile devices.

## **4.2 Data Evaluation**

The Disaster Damage Assessment App evaluates data by analyzing the results generated by the TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) model to ensure accuracy and reliability. The app validates segmentation maps against ground truth data,

calculating metrics like precision and recall to measure model performance. User feedback and usage patterns are monitored to continuously improve accuracy and functionality. This rigorous evaluation ensures that damage assessments are accurate, timely, and actionable, supporting effective disaster response and recovery efforts.



Figure 4.2: Main Activity & DisasterInfo Activity

## 4.3 Process Flow Of App

### 1. Image Upload

- User Action: Users upload pre- and post-disaster images through the app interface.
- System Process: The app accepts various image formats and initiates preprocessing to prepare for analysis.

### 2. Preprocessing

- System Action: Uploaded images are resized and normalized to fit the model's input requirements.
- Outcome: Ensures images are compatible with TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) for accurate segmentation.

### 3. Damage Assessment

- Model Inference: The TFLite model processes the preprocessed images to generate segmentation maps.
- Output: The model identifies and highlights damaged areas, creating visual and data outputs.

### 4. Post-Processing

- System Action: Applies color-coded overlays to the segmentation maps for clear visual representation.
- User Interaction: Users can zoom, toggle overlays, and adjust transparency to better analyze the damage.

### 5. Weather Data Integration

- API Call: The app retrieves real-time weather data and historical patterns.
- Display: Weather information is displayed alongside damage assessments for context.

### 6. Generating Reports

- System Action: Compiles damage metrics and segmentation maps into comprehensive reports.
- User Action: Users can view, download, and share reports with stakeholders.

## 7. Data Security

- **Encryption:** Ensures that all data is encrypted during storage and transmission.
- **Authentication:** Implements robust authentication mechanisms to protect user information.

## 8. User Feedback

- **User Action:** Users provide feedback on the app's performance and accuracy of assessments.
- **System Process:** Feedback is used to continuously improve the model and app functionalities.

## 9. Continuous Improvement

- **Model Updates:** Regular updates to the TFLite model improve accuracy and performance.
- **Feature Enhancements:** New features and optimizations are added based on user feedback and technological advancements.

### **4.4 Impacts**

The Disaster Damage Assessment App integrates impact data by combining damage assessments with real-time weather data and historical patterns to provide a comprehensive view of disaster scenarios. This integration enhances the accuracy and context of the damage assessments, helping users make informed decisions quickly. By leveraging AI and machine learning technologies, the app delivers actionable insights that support effective disaster management, resource allocation, and long-term resilience planning. Secure



data handling ensures that all user information is protected throughout the process, building trust and reliability among its users.

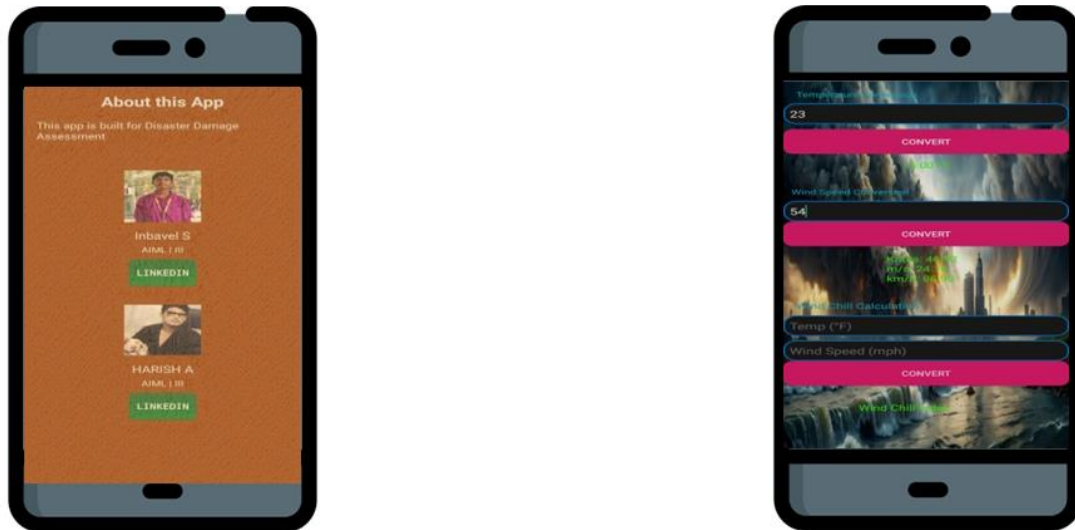


Figure 4.3: About Activity & Weather Activity

## 4.5 Result Analysis

Result analysis in the Disaster Damage Assessment App involves several key steps to ensure the accuracy and reliability of damage assessments:

### 1.Model Performance Evaluation

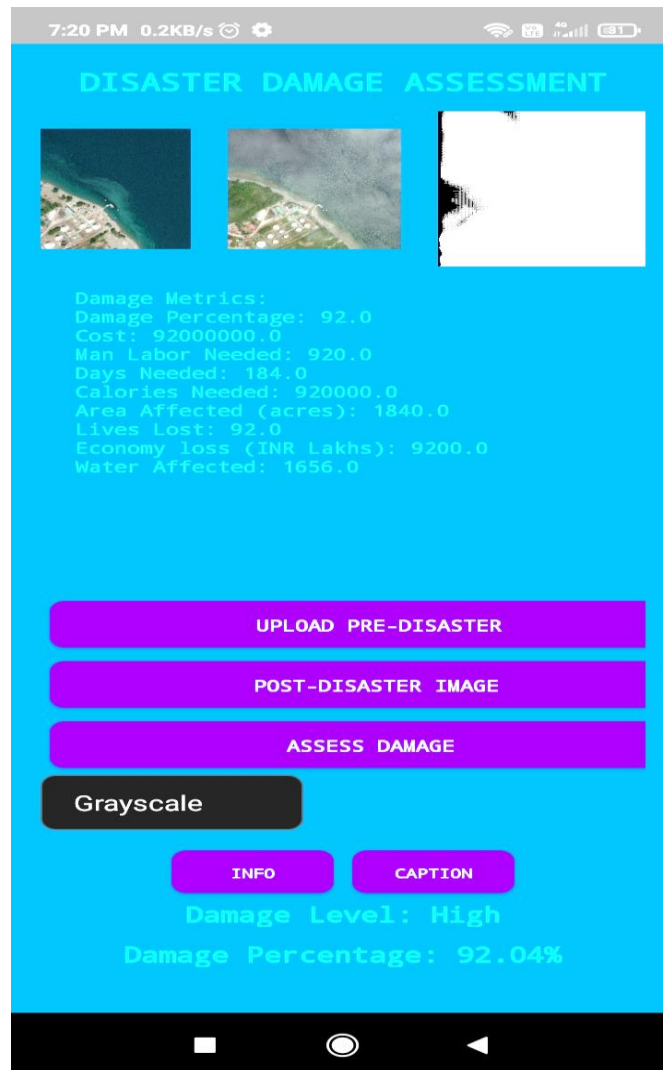
The segmentation maps generated by the TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) model are compared against ground truth data to measure performance. Metrics such as precision, recall, and F1-score are calculated to evaluate the model's effectiveness in identifying damaged areas.

### 2.User Feedback Integration

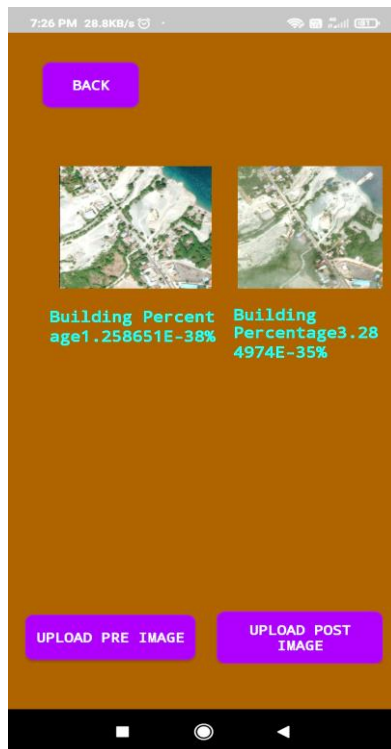
Feedback from users regarding the accuracy and usability of the assessments is collected and analyzed. This feedback helps identify areas for improvement and ensures the app meets user needs effectively.

### 3.Continuous Improvement

The app undergoes regular updates to improve model accuracy and overall performance. New features and optimizations are implemented based on user feedback and technological advancements, ensuring the app remains up-to-date and reliable.



Figur 4.4 Damage assessment App (Main)



**Figure 4.5 Building Percentage (Tflite)**



**Figure 4.6 About Activity**

## **CHAPTER 5**

### **CONCLUSION**

The Disaster Damage Assessment App, through its innovative integration of TensorFlow Lite (TFLite) and advanced machine learning techniques, stands as a testament to the transformative power of technology in disaster management. The app's primary strength lies in its ability to deliver real-time, accurate damage assessments directly on mobile devices, a capability that significantly enhances the speed and efficiency of disaster response efforts. By leveraging the UNet architecture for image segmentation, the app ensures high accuracy in identifying and highlighting damaged areas, which is crucial for effective recovery planning and resource allocation. The integration of TFLite ensures that the app remains lightweight and efficient, capable of running complex models on-device without the need for constant internet connectivity. From a user experience perspective, the app is designed to be intuitive and accessible, allowing users of varying technical expertise to navigate its features seamlessly. The MainActivity serves as the central hub where users can upload pre- and post-disaster images, initiate the TFLite model processing, and view the results with minimal effort. The visual representation of segmented images, combined with detailed damage metrics, provides users with a comprehensive understanding of the disaster's impact. The additional functionalities, such as the WeatherActivity, offer real-time weather data and various conversions, further enhancing the app's utility by providing critical environmental context. The app's design and layout contribute significantly to its overall performance and user satisfaction. The clear, user-friendly interface ensures that all features are easily accessible, while the responsive design adapts seamlessly to different screen sizes and orientations.

The DisasterInfoActivity provides a deeper dive into the analysis results, allowing users to interact with detailed segmentation maps and customized reports. By presenting complex data in an easily understandable format, the app empowers users to make informed decisions quickly and efficiently. The comprehensive approach to design, encompassing visual appeal, functionality, and accessibility, ensures that the app delivers a high-quality user experience. In conclusion, the Disaster Damage Assessment App exemplifies how advanced AI and machine learning can be harnessed to address real-world challenges. Its combination of high accuracy, efficiency, and user-centric design makes it an indispensable tool for disaster management. The app not only improves the speed and accuracy of damage assessments but also supports effective decision-making and resource allocation, ultimately enhancing community resilience and recovery efforts. The integration of advanced AI techniques ensures that the app remains at the forefront of innovation, capable of adapting to new data sources and improving its analytical capabilities over time. This adaptability makes the app not only a powerful tool for current disaster management needs but also a promising platform for future developments in the field. Overall, the Disaster Damage Assessment App represents a significant leap forward in how technology can be applied to real-world problems. Its comprehensive features, user-friendly design, and robust performance make it a valuable asset for communities, organizations, and governments working to mitigate the impacts of natural disasters. By providing detailed, actionable insights quickly and efficiently, the app enhances the effectiveness of disaster response efforts and supports long-term resilience planning. Through continuous improvements and user feedback, the app is poised to remain an essential tool for disaster assessment and recovery in the years to come.

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