Task:

The MNIST handwritten digit dataset is one of the most commonly used datasets for image classification.

You can access the dataset here: http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/.

It is also available in many ML packages such as TensorFlow, PyTorch, FastAI. Feel free to directly load the dataset via either source and train a model on it (high accuracy is NOT a criteria for evaluation).

Artifacts needed for evaluation:

- 1. Entire codebase with train and inference script to GitHub with links to access
- 2. Saved exported file (use any model repo framework or google drive)
- 3. Dockerfile to build docker image to launch the inference as a REST endpoint (in the same git)
- 4. Screenshot of the post request done locally using postman or curl

Criteria:

- 1. Low latency for inference
- 2. Low inference docker image size
- 3. Code structure

Bonus Points:

- 1. YAML file related to deployment on Kubernetes
- 2. Use of frameworks like Kserve/Triton/MLFlow/Prometheus
- 3. Architecture diagram or writeup explaining flow of requests