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Problem Statement Title:
AI Crop Disease Detection System

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Problem Statement



Farmers lose **20%–40%** of crops due to plant diseases that are often detected too late, leading to major yield losses and severe economic stress

Target Audience



- Small and medium-scale farmers
- Agricultural extension workers
- Rural farming communities dependent on crop income

Why Now?



- Population will reach **~9.1B by 2050**.
- Food production must grow by **50–70%**.
- Disease diagnosis is still **slow and expert-dependent**.
- Early **AI detection** is crucial for sustainable farming and food security.

- Users can **upload crop images** showing potential symptoms. The system guides them through the upload process.
Image Processing Pipeline:
 - **Upload handling:** Uses a secure API endpoint that accepts multipart/form-data
 - **Image validation:** Checks format (PNG/JPEG), size (<10MB), and dimensions
 - **Preprocessing:** Resizes to 224x224px, normalizes to [0,1] range
 - **Augmentation:** Applies random rotations, flips, and brightness adjustments
- A **Convolutional Neural Network (CNN)** processes images, **extracting features** and patterns to identify diseases.
CNN Model:
 - Three convolutional blocks with increasing filters (32, 64, 128)
 - Each block includes Conv2D, BatchNormalization, ReLU, and MaxPooling
 - Global Average Pooling reduces spatial dimensions
 - Final dense layer produces 256-dimensional feature vector
- The system **collects environmental data** such as temperature and humidity. Through **Regression and time series analysis**, it correlates this data with **historical disease outbreaks**.
Environmental Data Processing:
 - API client fetches weather data using location/timestamp
 - Normalizes numerical values (temperature, humidity, rainfall)
 - Fully connected network processes these features

- The system **combines** insights from both **image processing and environmental data**. Ex. If user uploads a **wilting plant image** and **high temperatures** are recorded, the likelihood of **bacterial wilt** is considered.

Model Fusion:

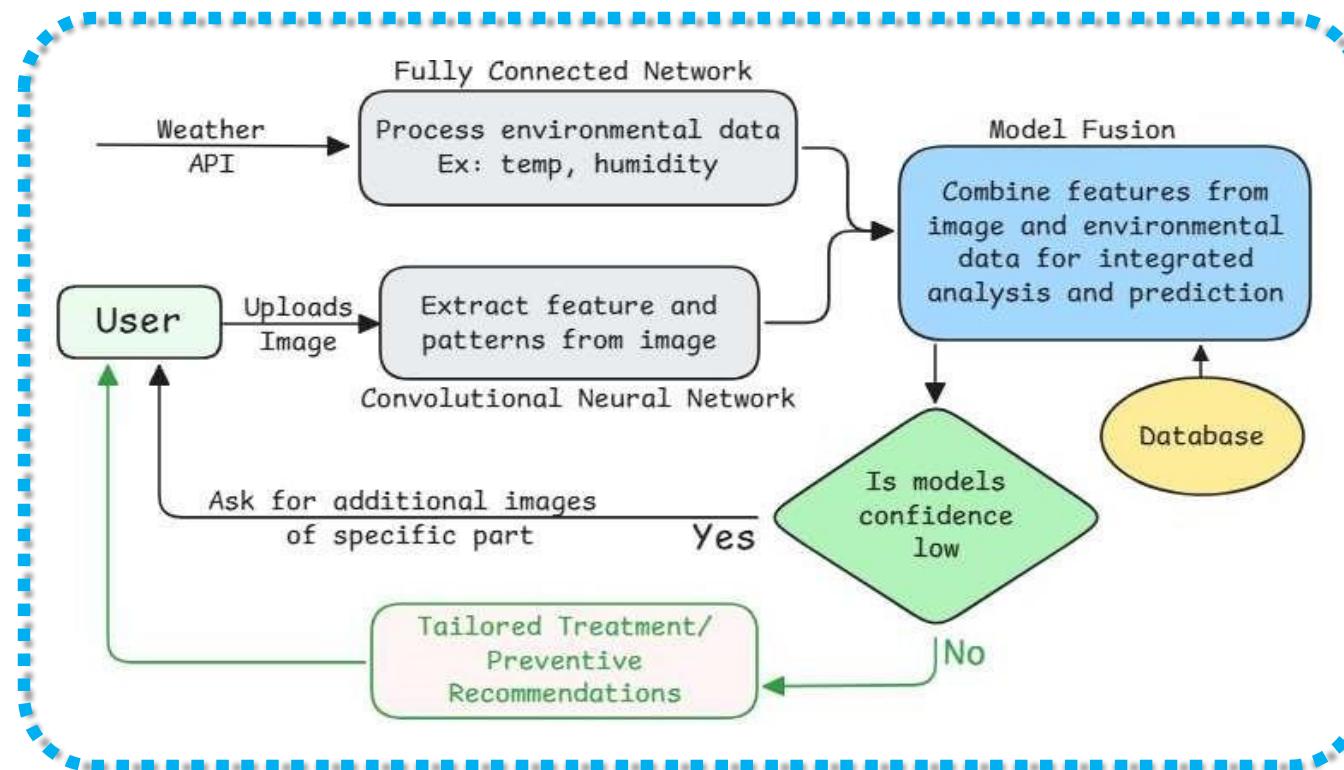
- Concatenates CNN features (256-dim) with environmental features (64-dim)
- Two dense layers (512, 256 units) with dropout for regularization
- Final layer uses softmax activation for disease probability distribution
- Confidence threshold of 0.85 for automatic classification

- The system **evaluates the confidence** of its predictions. If **confidence is low**, it **requests additional images** for further analysis. Once a disease is diagnosed, the system **provides personalized recommendations**, including **treatment options** (pesticides or organic solutions).

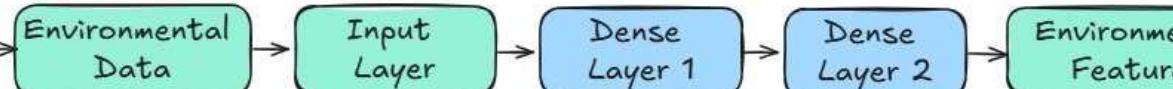
Response Generation:

- High confidence:** Queries treatment database with disease classification
- Low confidence:** Generates specific requests for additional images
- Recommendations include immediate actions and preventive measures
- Response formatted with severity level, treatment steps, and expected timeline

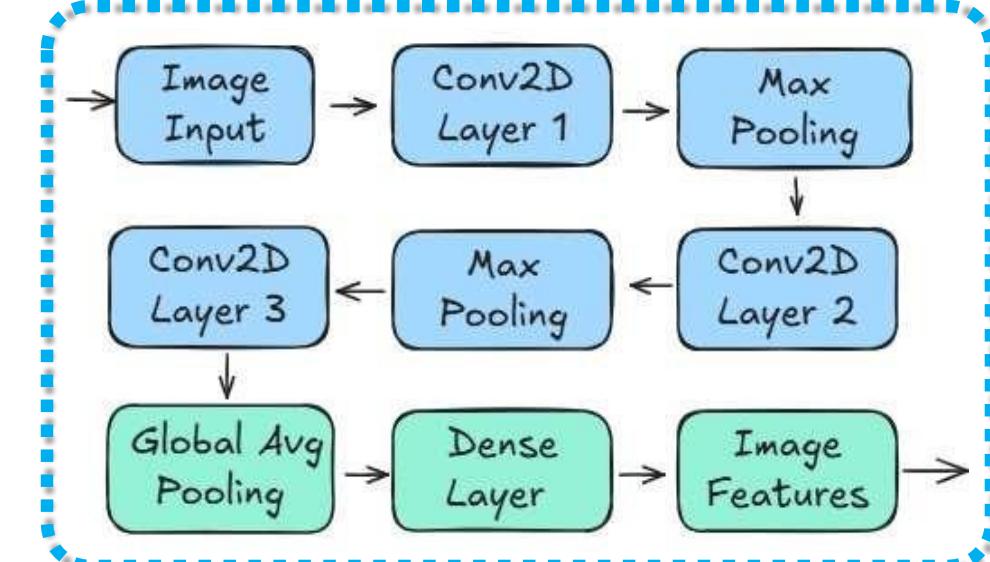
Model Workflow



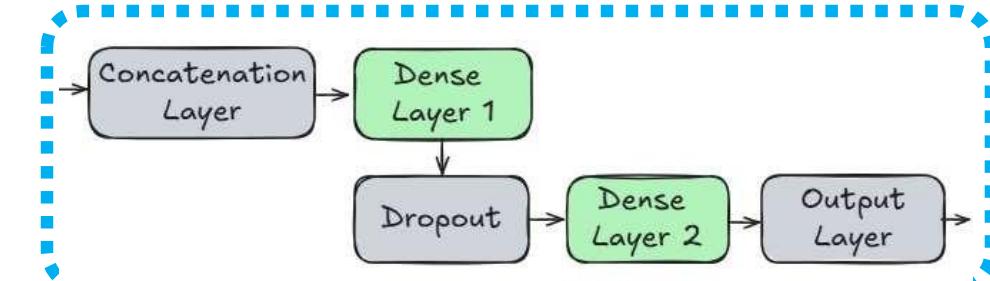
Fully Connected Network Architecture



Convolutional Neural Network Architecture



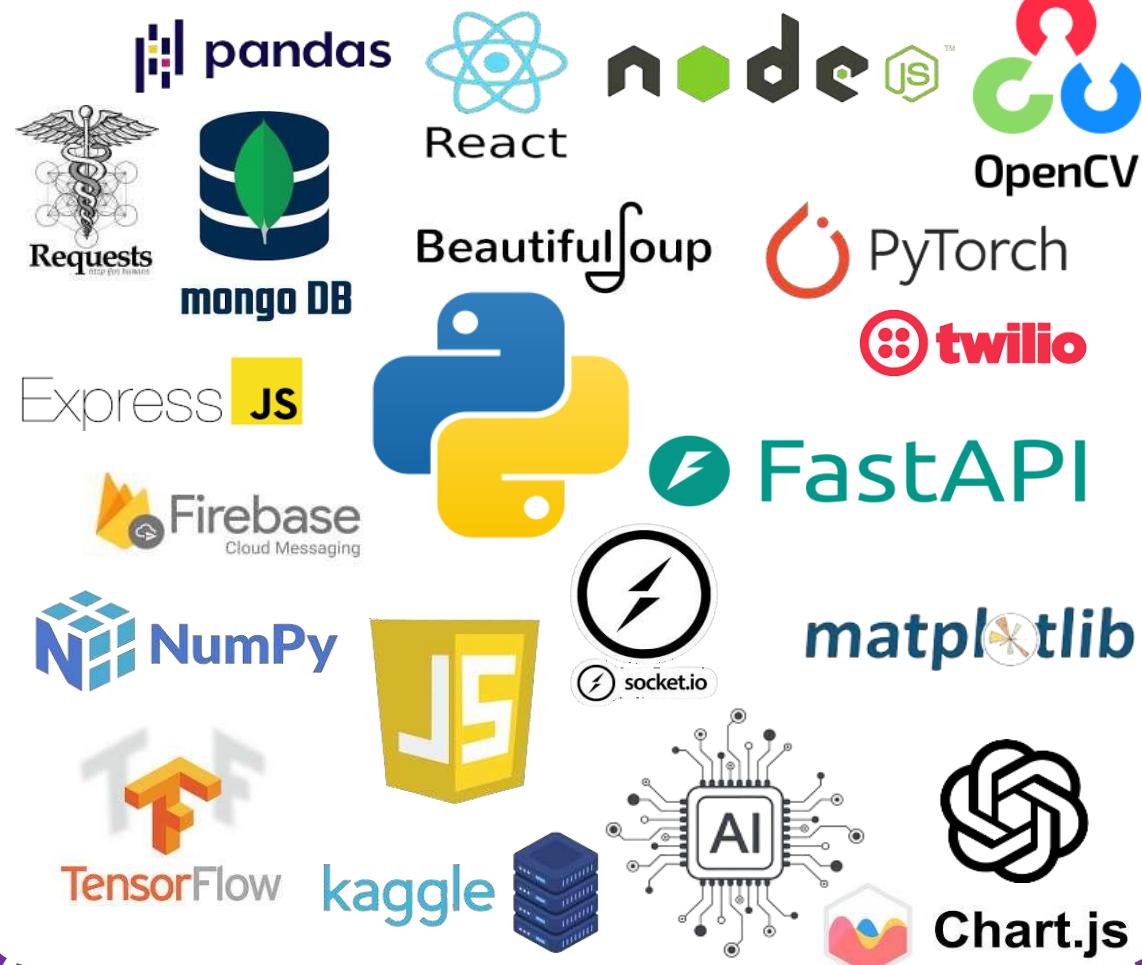
Fusion Model



IMPACT & SUSTAINABILITY

- **AI-powered analysis** spots diseases early, preventing major crop losses and **increasing yields**.
- **Offline support** ensures the system works in remote areas with little or no internet access.
- Promotes **smart farming** by providing **instant diagnosis** and simple **treatment recommendations**.
- Reduces excessive **pesticide use**, protecting **soil health** and the **environment**.
- Farmers enjoy better harvests, lower expenses, and stable income, making farming more sustainable.

TECHNOLOGY STACK :



Personalized Chatbot for Farming

- The system integrates an AI-powered chatbot tailored for farmers, providing instant responses to agricultural queries.
 - Utilizes **NLP models** to understand user questions and deliver relevant farming advice.
 - **Retrieves real-time data** on weather, soil conditions, and market trends to assist decision-making.
 - **Supports multiple languages** for better accessibility.
 - Continuously improves through **user interactions and feedback**.

Offline Support

- The system is designed to work even in low or no internet connectivity areas, ensuring accessibility for farmers in remote regions
 - Uses lightweight AI models stored on the device for real-time disease detection without internet.
 - **Processes images from mobile cameras** for quick and efficient analysis.
 - Provides instant offline diagnosis and treatment suggestions for quick action without internet..

Live Expert Consultation (Future Scope)

- The system will enable farmers to connect with agriculture experts for real-time guidance and support.
 - Provides a platform where users can consult specialists regarding crop diseases, treatments, fertilizers, and farming practices.
 - Can be integrated using chat, voice call, or video call features for direct interaction.
 - Allows farmers to share crop images and receive personalized recommendations from experts.