

Course: CS69099- Capstone Project

Product Name: AutoCorrect+ (AI-Enhanced Descriptive Answer Evaluation)

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Product Description

Evaluating descriptive answers is a time consuming task that requires a lot of manual work. It is prone to grader fatigue, bias, and the inconsistency that arises from varying standards. We have developed a solution to address these issues. Our automated grading system uses advanced NLP and ML techniques, enabling accurate and consistent evaluation of descriptive responses.

AutoCorrect+ uses several NLP tools, including NLTK for tokenization, stop word removal, and sklearn library for text similarity calculations using approaches such as cosine similarity and Jaccard distance. AutoCorrect+ uses these techniques to build a solid framework for efficiently grading descriptive answers. This system is also integrated with Django, which provides a user-friendly interface for both administrators and users. Educators may easily manage pending user registrations, check and analyze exam outcomes, add and remove courses and questions. Similarly, students can register, log in, attempt exams, view their results, and update their profiles seamlessly through the provided interfaces.

Overall, AutoCorrect+ goal is to improve the traditional manual grading process, bringing efficiency, accuracy, and scalability to educational assessment systems.

Product Value

AutoCorrect+, would be valuable for below reasons:

Time Efficiency: Manually evaluating descriptive answers is a time-consuming task, especially in large classes or online courses with many students. AutoCorrect+ automates this process, which reduces the workload of evaluators.

Consistency and fairness: We address the age-old issue of consistency and fairness in grading. Manual grading often leads to discrepancies and biases. However, AutoCorrect+ ensures a level playing field by providing fair and consistent evaluation of answers, regardless of who's grading them.

Scalability: As class sizes grow and assessments become more frequent, AutoCorrect+ scales effortlessly to meet the demand, without compromising on accuracy or quality.

Resource Optimization: Lastly, it saves resources. By reducing the need for extra grading materials, AutoCorrect+ helps schools save money and be more sustainable.

Building the Product

To create AutoCorrect+, we used the Natural Language Processing and Machine Learning libraries and frameworks. We begin by measuring semantic similarity between a student's answer and a pre-defined model answer. This involves a fusion of natural language processing techniques and machine learning algorithms. These are the steps involved:

Text Preprocessing: We start by preparing the textual data, tokenizing answers, removing stop words, and optionally performing stemming or lemmatization.

Text Vectorization: Next, textual data is converted into numerical vector representations using the CountVectorizer from scikit-learn, capturing word importance through frequencies.

Similarity Scoring: a. Cosine Similarity: Measures the angle between answer vectors, indicating text similarity.
b. Jaccard Distance: Calculates distance between unique word sets, converted into a similarity score.

Answer Scoring: Scores from similarity measures are mapped to grading ranges and aggregated to derive a total score for the answer script.

User Interface Development: We've developed a user-friendly interface using the Django framework, empowering administrators to manage registrations, exams, and subjects. Students seamlessly register, attempt exams, and view results through the interface.

This methodology ensures efficient and accurate grading, making AutoCorrect+ a robust solution for automated evaluation

Determining Success

To assess the effectiveness of AutoCorrect+, we can use the following methods:

Benchmark Testing: We can create a representative collection of student responses and associated human-graded scores and compare it with autocorrect+ grades.

User Feedback: For realworld scenario, we can collect input from teachers, students, and other stakeholders who use AutoCorrect+ in real-world circumstances. Their feedback can provide vital insights on the system's usability, efficacy, and potential areas for development.

Deployment and Value Creation

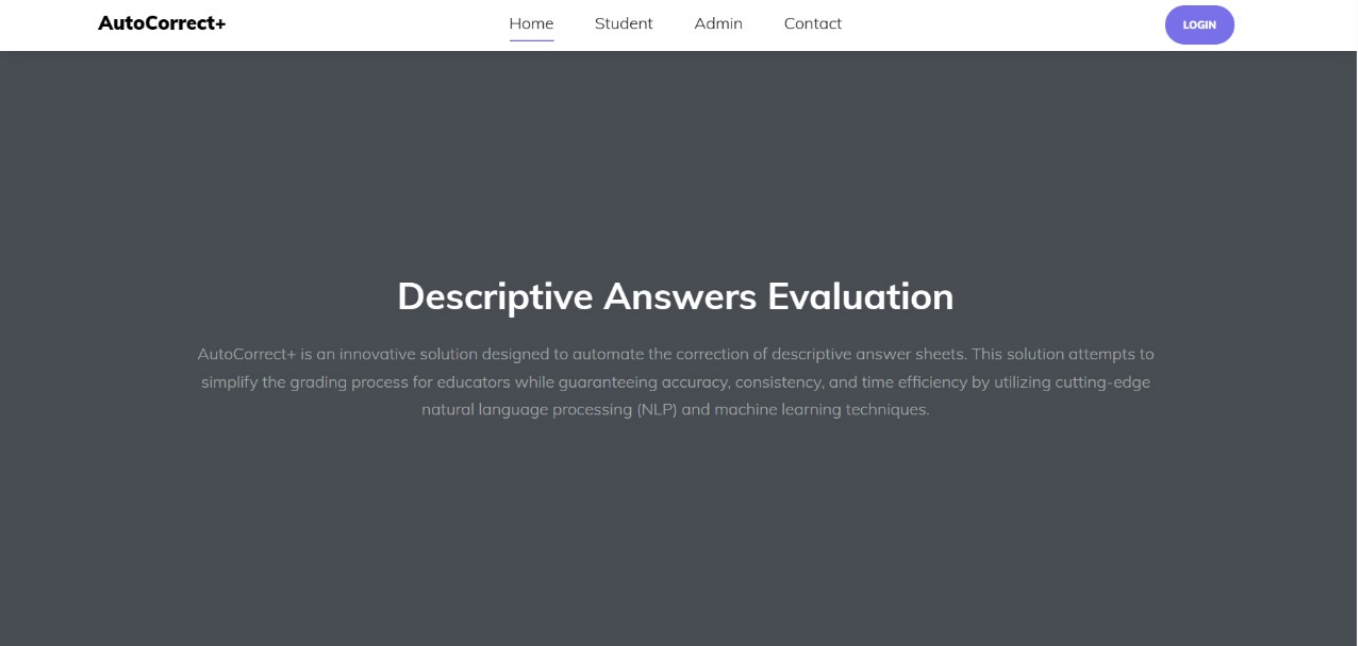
AutoCorrect+ can be used in a variety of educational environments to create value for different stakeholders:

Educational Institutions: AutoCorrect+ is compatible with learning management systems and evaluation platforms used by schools, colleges, and universities. This can help simplify the grading process, minimize instructors' workloads, and offer students with quick feedback.

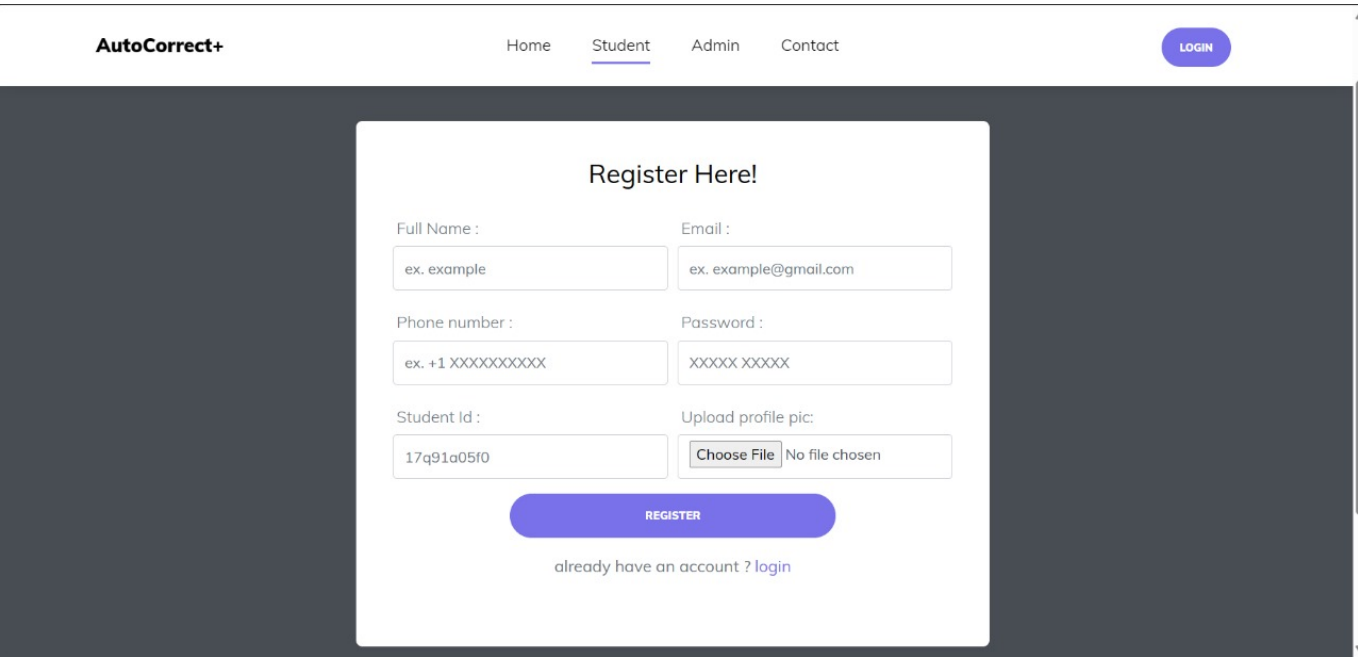
Online Learning Platforms: As online education becomes more popular, AutoCorrect+ can be extremely useful for Online Courses and other e-learning platforms that require large-scale descriptive assignment grading.

Results

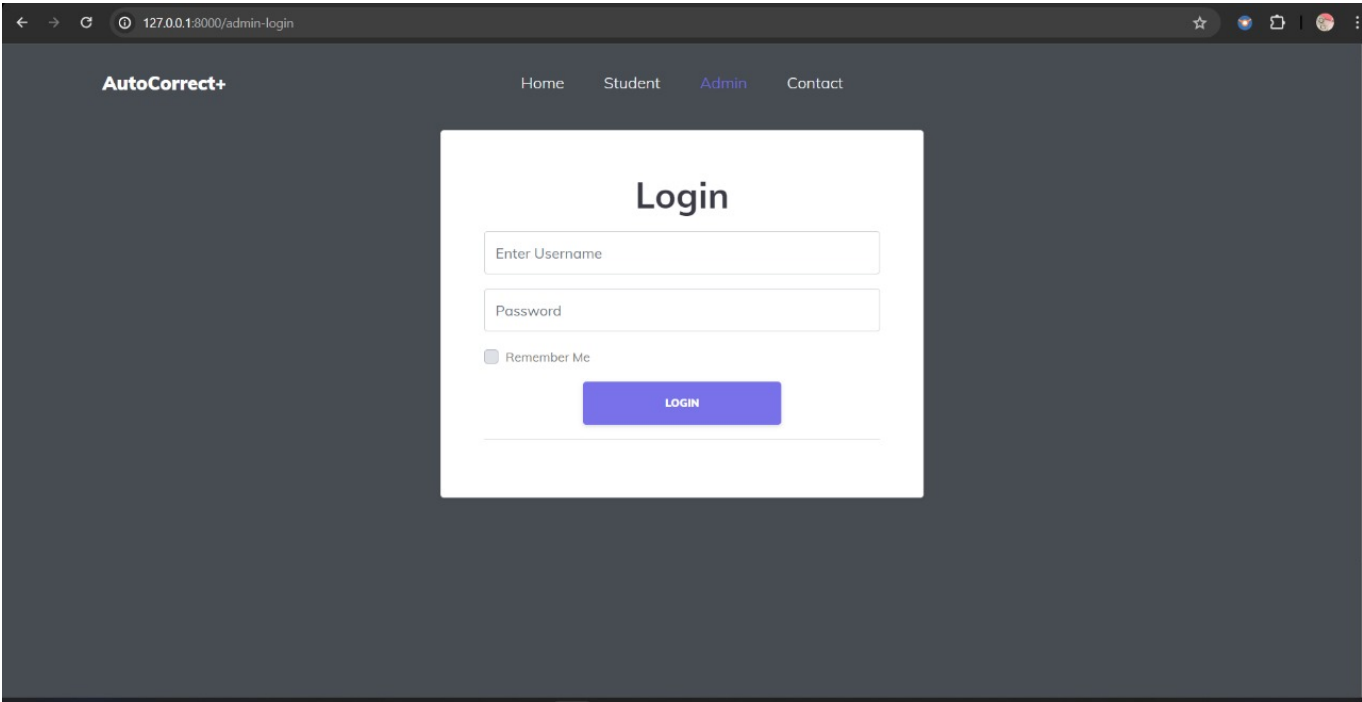
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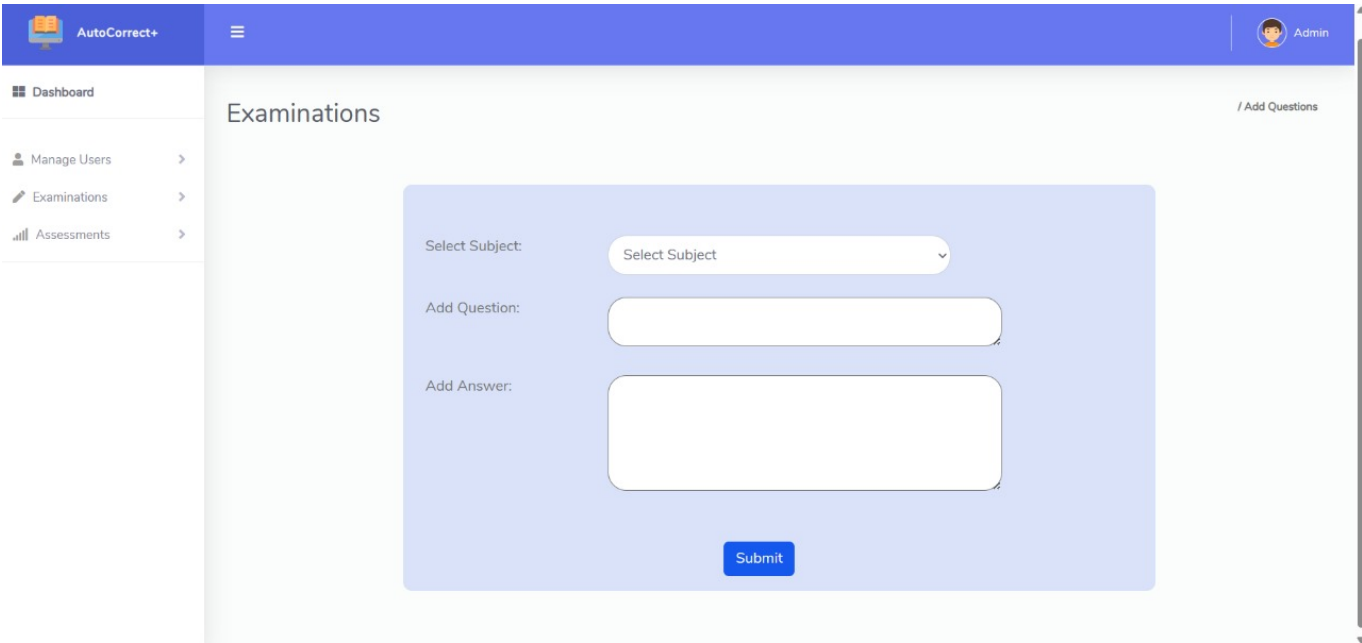
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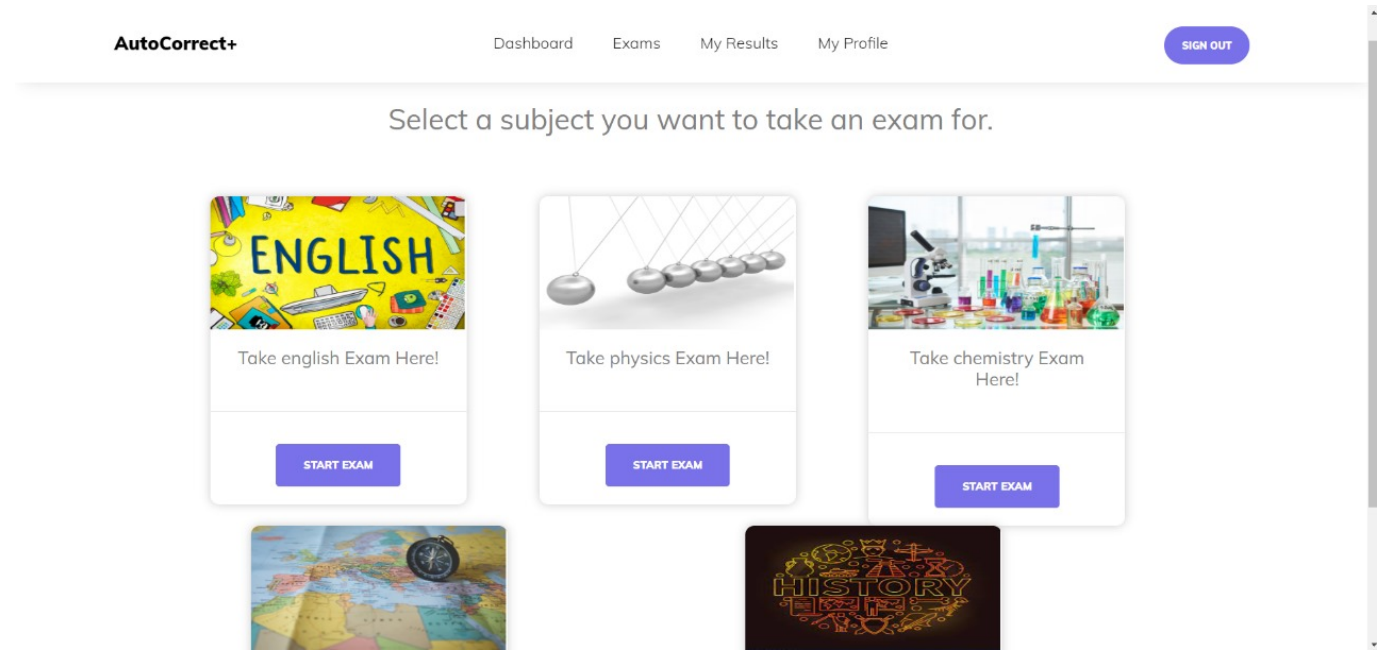
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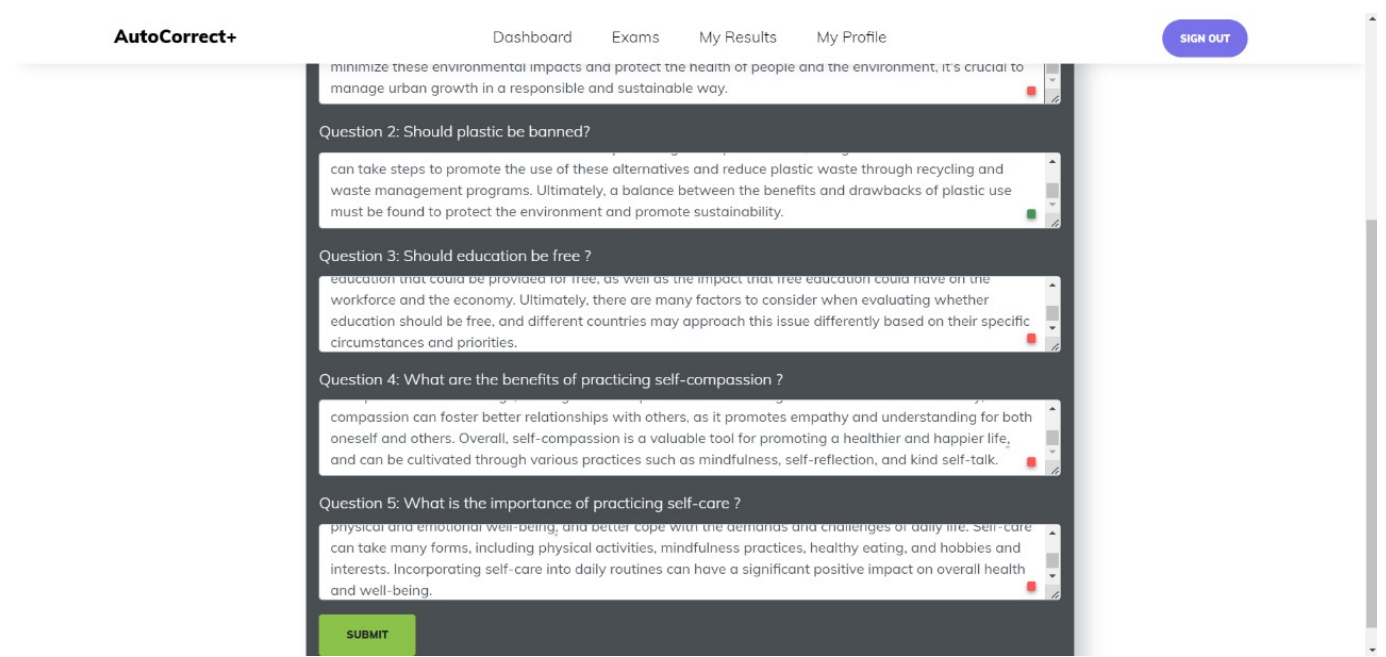
Admin can manage subjects, questions and answers



User Dashboard:



User answering questions:

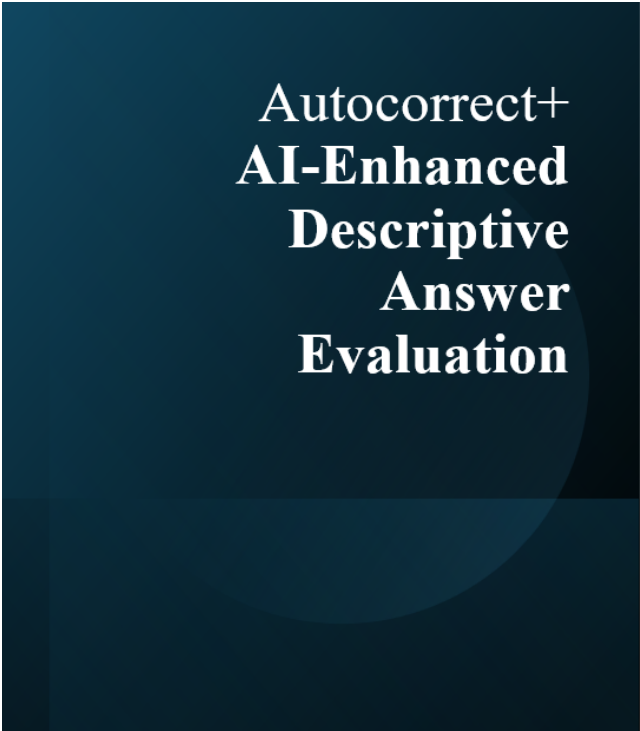


User Results:

Your Results:

Sno.	Subject	Toltal Questions	Score	Grade	Results	Date	Action
96	english	4	100/100	A	Passed	April 22, 2024, 10:19 p.m.	VIEW
97	chemistry	4	78/100	A	Passed	April 22, 2024, 11:22 p.m.	VIEW

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Abstract

AutoCorrect+ is an automated grading system that aims to accurately evaluate descriptive answers using natural language processing (NLP) and machine learning techniques. Traditional manual grading of subjective answers is time-consuming, prone to inconsistencies, and requires significant human effort. This project addresses those challenges by developing an AI-powered solution to automatically score descriptive answers.

Introduction

Problem Statement:

- Manual grading of descriptive answers is a laborious process
- Grader fatigue, bias, and varying standards lead to inconsistencies

Solution:

- An innovative solution to automate the grading of descriptive answers
- Utilizes advanced natural language processing (NLP) and machine learning (ML) techniques
- Enables accurate and consistent evaluation at scale

Core Technology:

- Measures semantic similarity between student's answer and model answer
- Text preprocessing, vectorization, and similarity scoring algorithms
- Techniques like cosine similarity, Jaccard distance, stop word removal






Paper 1: QuestionCentric Evaluation of Descriptive Answers using AttentionBased Architecture (Oasis et al., 2022)

Paper 2: NLPbased Automatic Answer Script Evaluation (Rahman & Siddiqui, 2018)

Key Takeaways:

- Summarization techniques play a vital role in processing answer scripts
- Availability of training data and exploration of advanced summarization methods are areas for improvement

History of the Problem

	Manual Grading	Labor-intensive process of reading and assessing each answer Time-consuming and prone to human biases and inconsistencies
	Emergence of Automated Grading Systems	Basic rule-based algorithms for keyword matching Lacked sophistication and had trouble with complexities in language
	Introduction of Natural Language Processing (NLP) Techniques	NLP techniques have significantly improved the understanding and processing of textual data.

Product Value

- Time Efficiency
- Consistency and Fairness
- Scalability
- Resource optimization

Methodology

Text Preprocessing

Text Vectorization

Text Similarity calculation

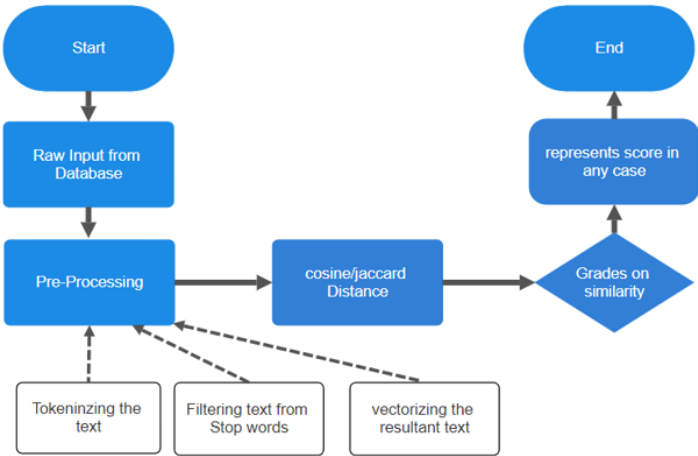
Grading answers

User interface development

Technologies

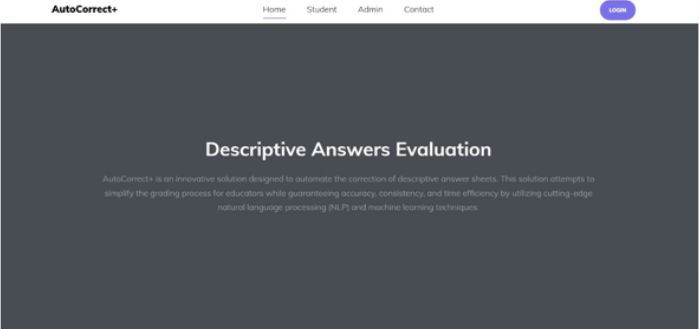
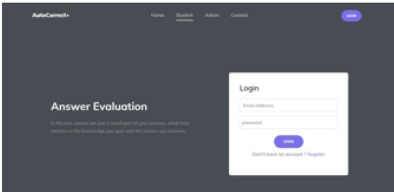
- NLP Algorithm
- Jaccard Distance
- Cosine similarity
- CountVectorizer

How the evaluation happens??

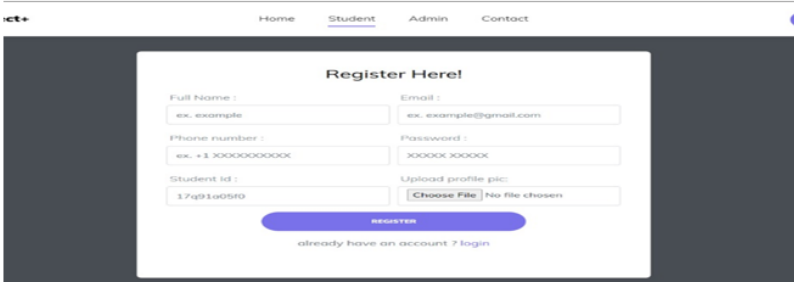


The Login Page

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def user_login(request):
    if request.method == "POST":
        username=request.POST.get("email")
        password=request.POST.get("password")
        try:
            auth = userdetails.objects.get(user_email=username,user_password=password)
            if auth.user_status == "accepted":
                request.session['user_id'] = auth.user_id
                messages.success(request,"successfully logged in")
                return redirect('user_dashboard')
            elif auth.user_status == "pending":
                messages.info(request,"your id is pending for registration ")
                return redirect('user_login')
            elif auth.user_status == "banned":
                messages.error(request,"you Are BLOKED from logging in ")
                return redirect('user_login')
            else:
                messages.error(request,"you are not registered,try again after signup")
                return redirect('user_login')
        except:
            messages.error(request,"invalid login credentials")
            return redirect('user_login')
    return render(request,"user/user_login.html")
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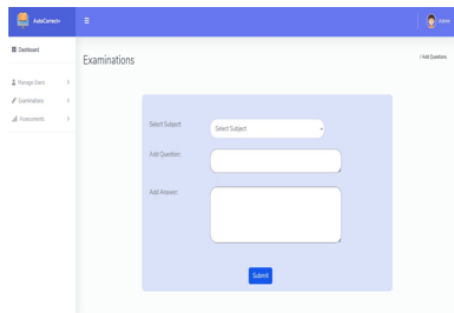


New User Registration



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def user_register(request):
    if request.method == "POST" and request.FILES["photo"] :
        name = request.POST.get('name')
        email = request.POST.get('email')
        contact = request.POST.get('contact')
        password = request.POST.get('password')
        id = request.POST.get('id')
        photo = request.FILES['photo']
        try:
            a = userdetails.objects.get(user_email=email)
            messages.info(request,"email already exists,try again with another email")
            return redirect('user_register')
        except:
            user_create =userdetails.objects.create(user_name=name,user_email=email,user_
            if user_create:
                messages.success(request,"successfully Registered")
                return redirect('user_register')
            else:
                messages.error(request,"invalid details ,try again")
                return redirect('user_register')
    return render(request,"user/user_register.html")
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Admin

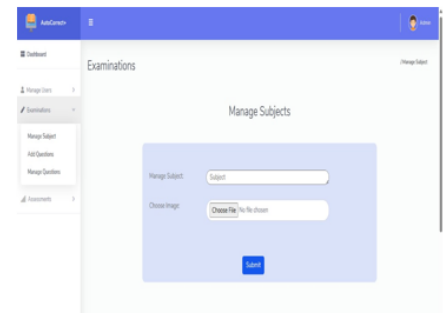


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def admin_add_subject(request):
    sub = subjectmodel.objects.all()
    if request.method == "POST" and request.FILES["photo"]:
        subject = request.POST.get('subject')
        photo = request.FILES["photo"]

    try:
        subjectmodel.objects.get(subject = subject.lower())
        messages.error(request, "this subject already exists, try another subject")
        return redirect('admin_add_subject')
    except:
        subjectmodel.objects.create(subject = subject.lower(), subject_image = photo)
        messages.success(request, subject + 'subject added successfully')
        return redirect('admin_add_subject')

    return render(request, 'admin/admin-add-subject.html', {'sub': sub})

def admin_add_question(request):
    sub = subjectmodel.objects.all()
    print(sub, 'sub model')
    if request.method == "POST":
        question = request.POST.get('question')
        answer = request.POST.get('answer')
        subject = request.POST.get('subject')
        if questionmodel.objects.filter(subject = subject).count() <= 4:
            questionmodel.objects.create(question = question, answer = answer, subject = subject)
            messages.success(request, 'question added successfully')
            return redirect('admin_add_question')
        else:
            messages.info(request, 'limit reached for question in "subjects", remove some question to add new question')
            return redirect('admin_add_question')
    return render(request, 'admin/admin-add-question.html', {'sub': sub})
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Text Similarity

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import nltk
from nltk.tokenize import word_tokenize
from sklearn.feature_extraction.text import CountVectorizer
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from nltk.metrics import jaccard_distance
from nltk.corpus import stopwords

def cosine_similarity_text(text1, text2):
    vectorizer = CountVectorizer().fit_transform([text1, text2])
    similarity = cosine_similarity(vectorizer[0], vectorizer[1])
    return similarity[0][0]

def text_similarity_nltk(answer1, answer2):
    stop_words = set(stopwords.words("english"))
    # tokenize the answers into individual words
    tokenized_answers = [word_tokenize(answer) for answer in [answer1, answer2]]

    # Remove stop words from the tokenized answers
    filtered_answers = [[word for word in answer if word.lower() not in stop_words] for answer in tokenized_answers]

    # Calculate the Jaccard similarity between the two answers
    similarity = 1 - jaccard_distance(set(filtered_answers[0]), set(filtered_answers[1]))

    return similarity
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Pending Tasks

- Adding analyse function
- Add some better UI interface functions for better user experience

Conclusion

- A novel approach based on NLP techniques to evaluate answers.
- Keyword's presence and percentage mapping of sentences are utilized to overcome the abnormal cases of semantically loose answers.
- word2vec approach performs better than traditional word embedding techniques as it keeps the semantics intact.
- Word Mover's Distance performs better than Cosine Similarity in most cases and helps train the machine learning model faster.

Project Code

<https://github.com/gayathrideviatluri/Capstone-Team1/>

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