

NLP-Driven Workflow Automation for
Inspection Readiness

Document Control Intelligence

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Problem Overview

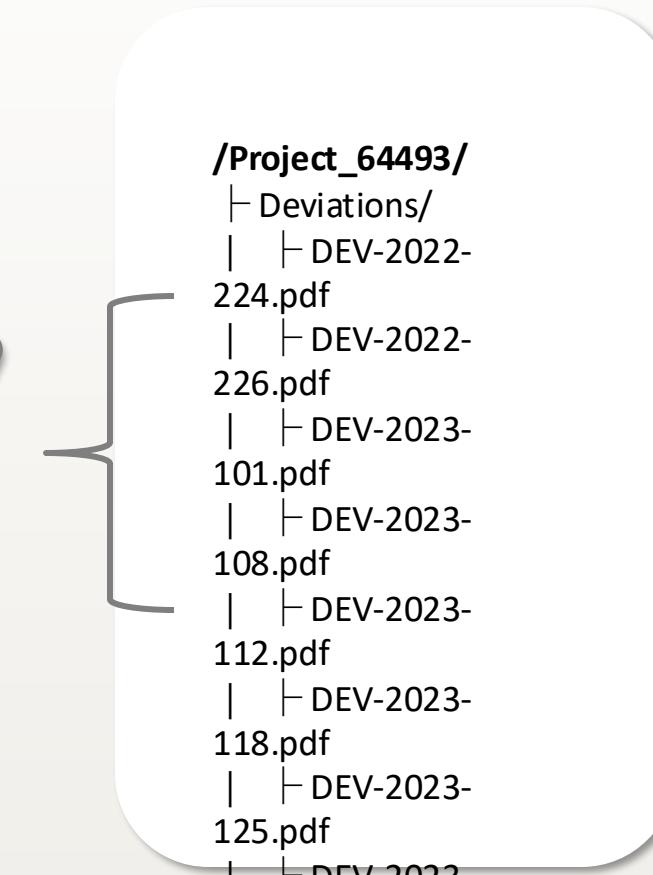


Current Need

Automated system to summarize and classify deviation—enabling rapid, traceable access that meets FDA Pre-Approval Inspection (PAI) expectations and reduces manual review time.

My Contribution:

- Created a **master summary table** consolidating all **deviations** in response to the **FDA Formatting**



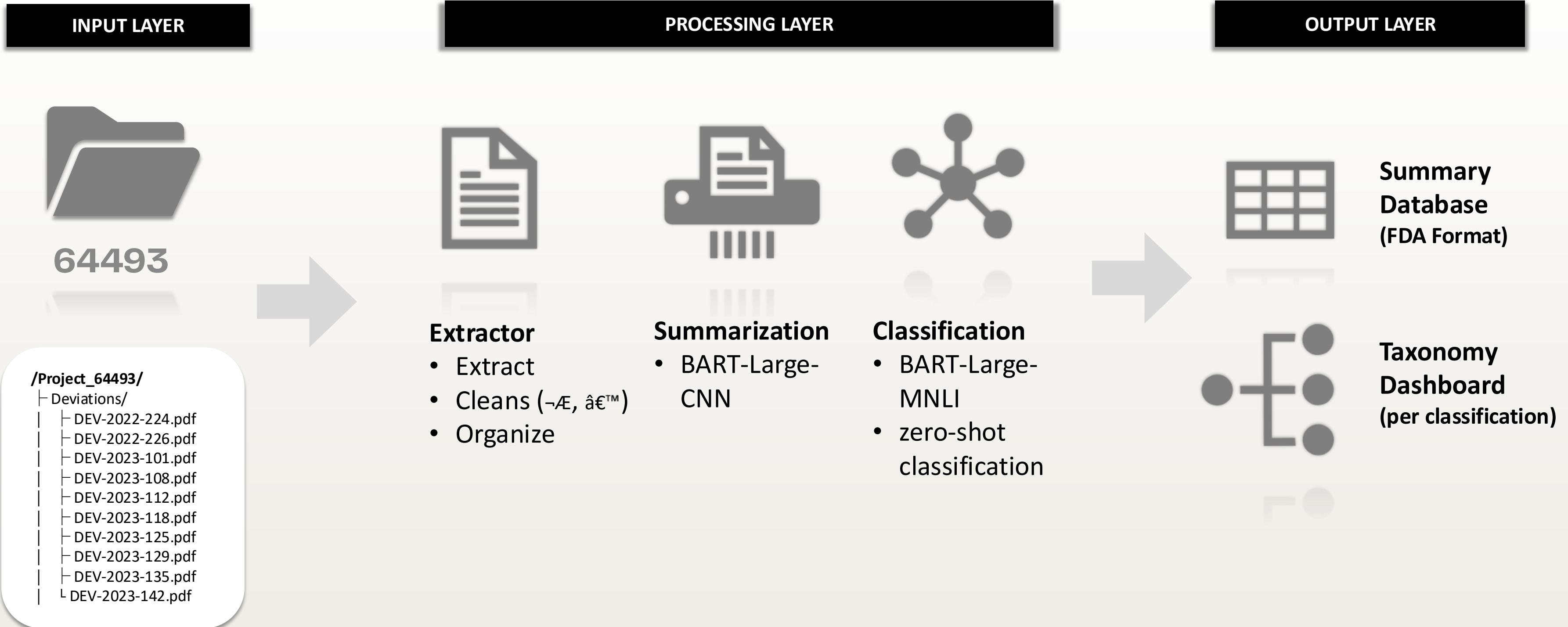
1. **50+ Deviations**
2. **Short Deadline**
3. **Legacy Project (8 yrs)**

Objective Overview

Develop an NLP-based system that can

- 1. Read Scanned PDFs**
- 2. Auto-classify by type (Equipment, Facility, Materials)**
- 3. Export structured summaries into a clear database in compliance to FDA**

System Architecture





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| Deviation Information | | | |
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| Deviation #: | Date Observed: | Test Case ID#: | |
| Test Step(s): | Test Title: | | |
| Description of Observed Deviation: | <Describe the actual results of the test step and explain how it differed from the expected result, or describe the problem or issue discovered and how it varies from expected results and/or test planning.> | | |
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| Impact / Risk Assessment: | <Describe the impact to the system and the potential impact to previously executed test cases, subsequent testing, and object freeze. Identify impacted requirements.> | | |
| Corrective / Preventive Action: | <Explain the necessary actions to correct the occurrence.> | | |
| Retesting Requirements: | <Describe how the deviation will be retested. | | |
| Deviation Documented By: | <Enter name> | <Signature> | <Date> |

| Approval to Implement Corrective / Preventive Action | | | |
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| Deviation Completion Verification | | | |
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| Corrective / Preventive Action Complete? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Retesting Complete? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Final Status: | <input type="checkbox"/> Resolved | <input type="checkbox"/> Deferred | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Notes: | <Provide explanation for any questions answered "Yes" or "Deferred."> | | |
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Dummy Example: Power Outage

DEV-2022-109

Event Overview

- Date/Time: 5/21/22, 03:39 – 08:05
- Site-wide power outage; Eurotherm system lost temperature/vacuum data
- No data recorded for ~4.5 hours

Impact Assessment

- Pre-failure temp: 36.9 °C → Post-failure temp: 32.0 °C
- No temperature specification in batch record; drying under vacuum is the only requirement
- No impact expected on process or product quality

Outcome

- Batch met all release criteria:
 - Yield 85%
 - Purity 99.82%
 - Assay 97 wt%



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Software environment: pharm-env (3.9.13) (Python 3.9.13)

File Explorer:

- OPEN EDITORS:
 - JS main.js
 - JS preload.js
 - index.html
 - JS renderer.js
 - # style.css
- main.ipynb tool
- ext.csv sample-run/run3
- classifier.py tool
- summarizer.py tool

Terminal:

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... tool > main.ipynb > M4 Classifier > M4 Zero-shot > import torch
Generate + Code + Markdown | Run All ⌘ Restart ⌘ Clear All Outputs | View data ...
Load After OCR
... results.append(cat)
... if i % 5 == 0:
...     print(f"Processed {i+1}/{len(dev_db)}...")

dev_db["Deviation_Category"] = results

display(dev_db[["Deviation_Number", "text_col", "Deviation_Category"]].head(10))

dev_db.to_csv("deviation_database_llm_summary_classified-labeled.csv", index=False)

11.4s
...
Processed 1/9...
Processed 6/9...

... Deviation Number summary_llm Deviation_Cat...
0 DEV-2022-109 Site-wide power outage occurred on Saturday, 5 Facility
1 DEV-2022-074 The yield for batch 60434-22-002 was 2.0321 kg... Specification
2 DEV-2022-084 The wrong solvent was used during the cleaning... Specification
3 DEV-2022-085 Two Kilo Lab Operators missed Step 3.20 (sampl... Specification

PROBLEMS 6 OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE PORTS TERMINAL
JUPYTER: JUPYTER VARIABLES
Name Typ
candidate_label: list
cat str
cat_counts Series
col str
csv_path str
dev_db Dataframe
device str
df Dataframe
existing_cols list

... zsh
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R Interactive
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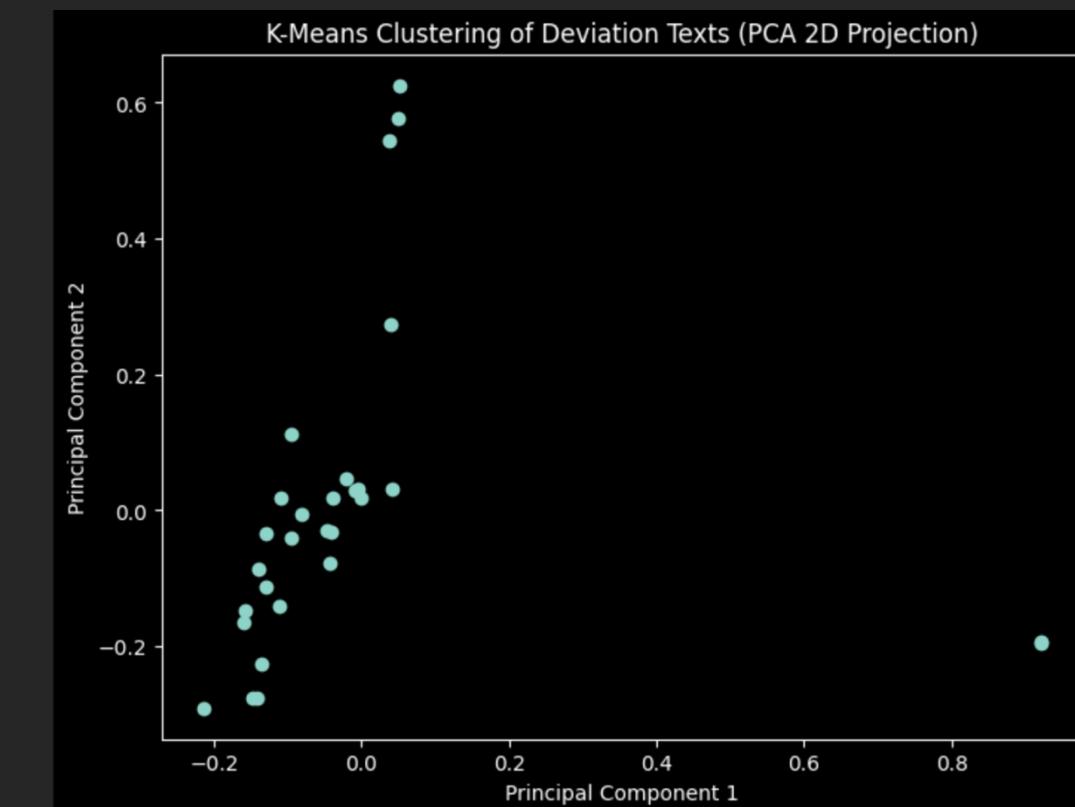
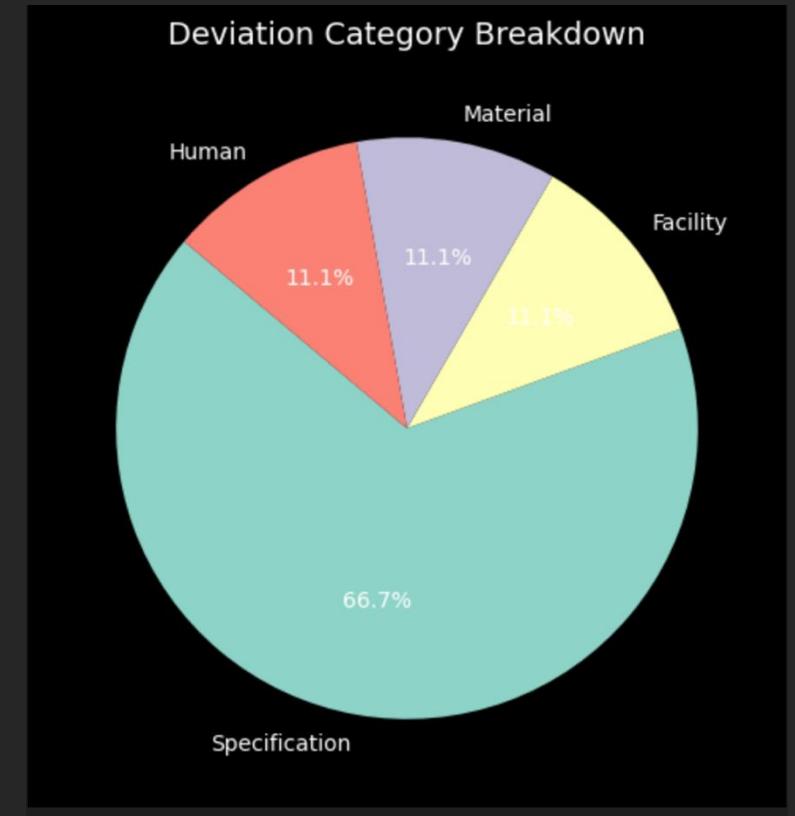
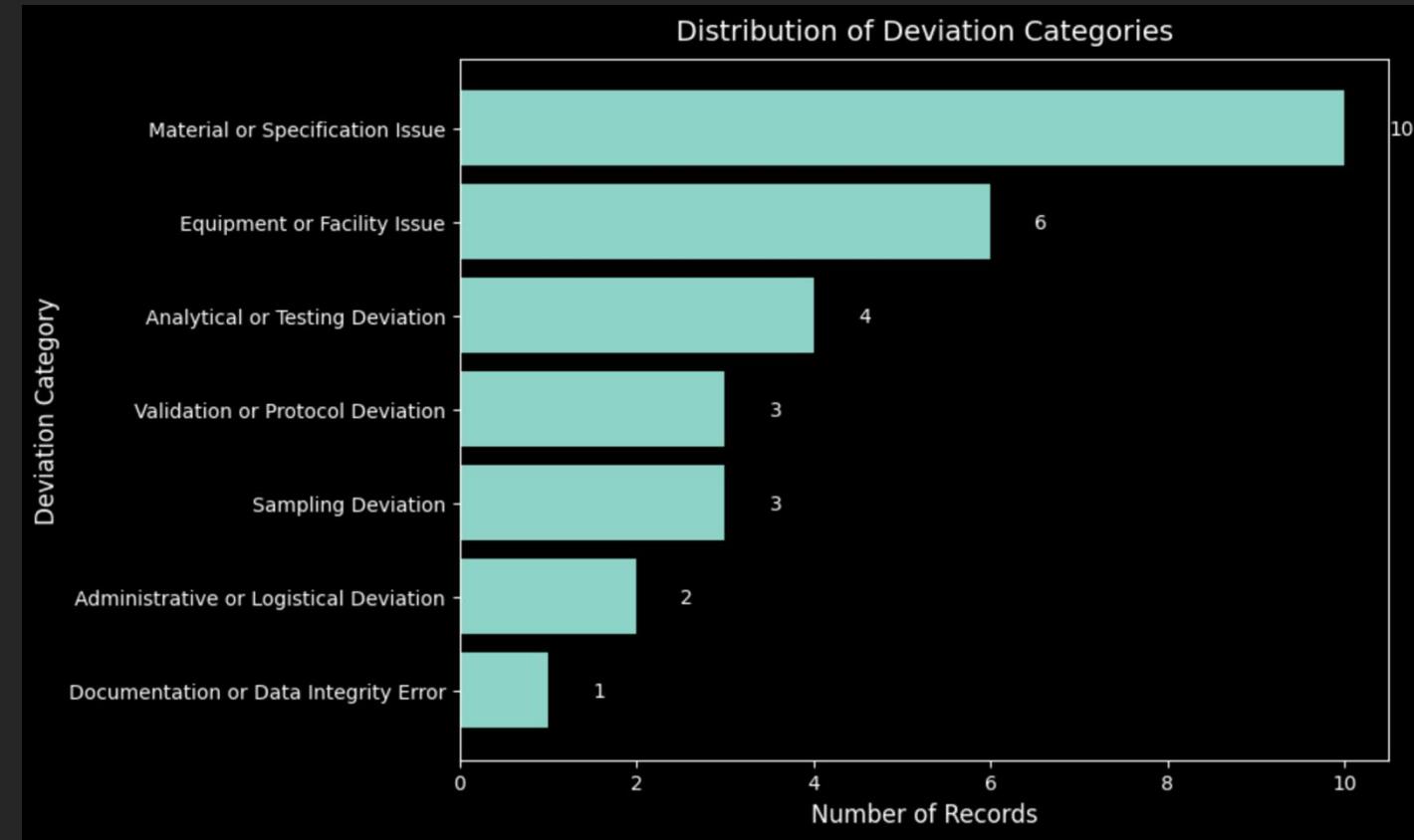
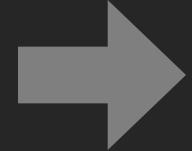
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Classifier

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# ---- Define your candidate labels ----  
candidate_labels = [  
    "Analytical or Testing Deviation",  
    "Sampling Deviation",  
    "Documentation or Data Integrity Error",  
    "Equipment or Facility Issue",  
    "Manufacturing Process Deviation",  
    "Material or Specification Issue",  
    "Validation or Protocol Deviation",  
    "Safety or Environmental Event",  
    "Training or Human Error",  
    "Administrative or Logistical Deviation"]
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Results & Impact

1. Now, We Are Able to Answer Questions Like:

Deviation Insights

- What is the high-level view on **current deviation**?
- What are the **most frequent deviation categories** (equipment, process, documentation)?

2. Quantifying “Convenience”

| Metric | Manual | Automated |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Summary Creation (FDA Requirement) | 2 days - 3 days | 20min + 1 day (review) |
| Compliance traceability | None | Full |
| Cognitive Clicks | ~5-10 | Evaluation In-process |
| New Member Training Burden | High | Evaluation In-process |

Technical Approach

Summarizer Engine

- Uses **BART-Large-CNN transformer** developed by Meta / Facebook AI Research
- Runs fully offline
- Trained on 300,000+ human-written documents
- Designed to read long, technical text and generate concise summaries

Classifier

- Uses **BART-Large-MNLI** for zero-shot text classification
- Learns relationships between sentences to understand meaning, not just keywords

Challenges & Solutions

1. Technical

2. Cross Functional Adoption

Challenges

- Inconsistent document formats
- OCR noise from scanned forms
- Validation Plan

Solution

- Regex normalization
- Bilateral filtering
- Domain fine-tuning using deviation dataset

Status

- Completed
- Completed
- In process

Challenges

- Single-user workflow; tool not yet accessible to QA/RA teams

Solution

- Develop user-friendly GUI for non-technical access

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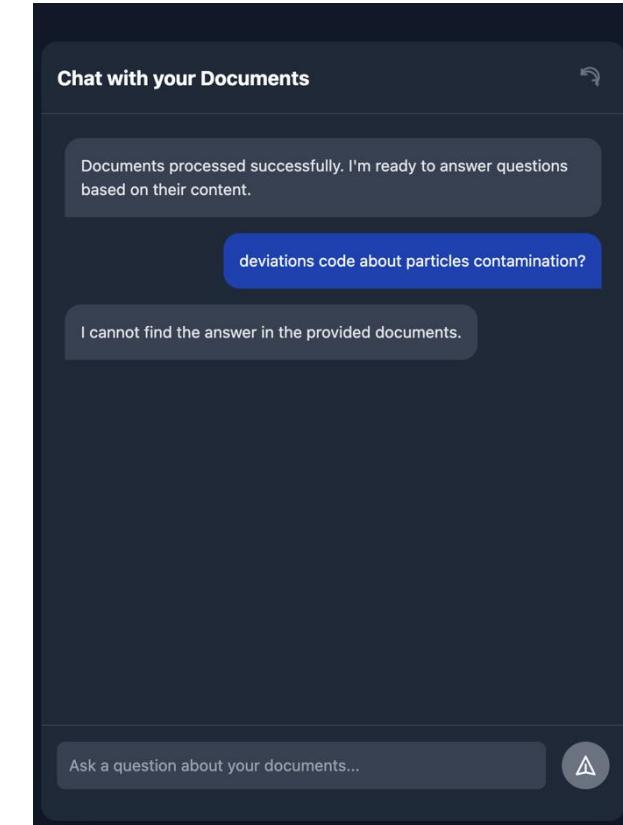
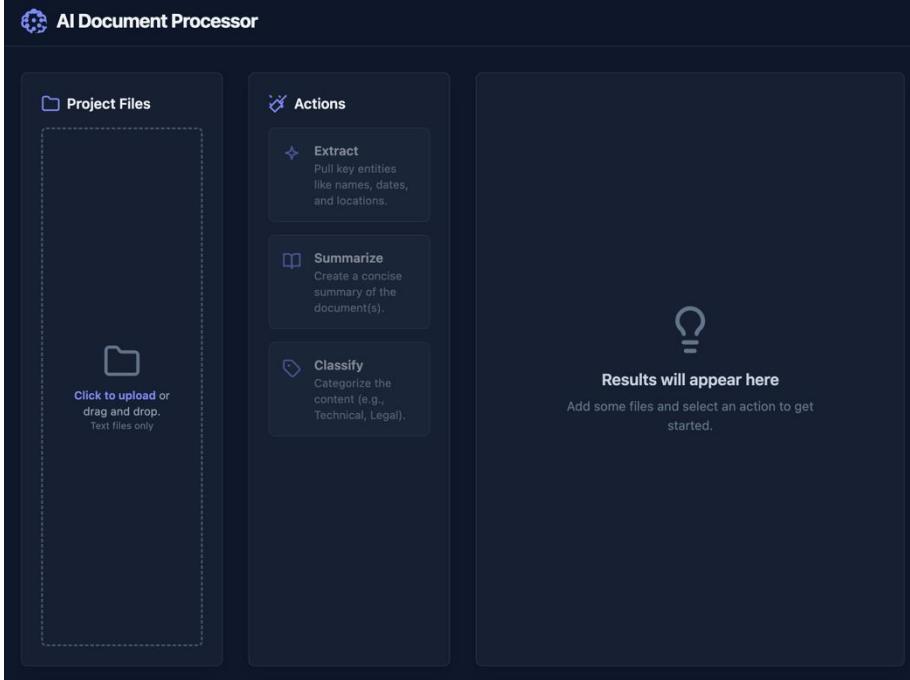
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Next: Validation Plan

- **ROUGE-1 / ROUGE-L**: Measures textual overlap with human-written reference summaries.
- **Acceptance**: ≥ 0.35 (industry benchmark for technical summarization).
- **BERTScore**: Semantic similarity to human reference (context-level meaning).
- **Acceptance**: ≥ 0.85 (used in biomedical summarization validation)

Lewis et al., “*BART: Denoising Sequence-to-Sequence Pre-training for Natural Language Generation, Translation, and Comprehension*”, ACL 2020.

Next & Implementation



1. User Software (In process)

Develop a full software:

- Expand users (QA, RA, Engineers)

2. Search Assistant (Chatbot)

- Support natural-language search
- Query within database - What happened to Batch X?

3. Cross-Functional Feedback

- Validate automated summaries
- Collect user feedback to refine accuracy & usability

Lessons

1. Technical

- Begin with a working pipeline, focus on functionality before perfection.
- Always start from the big picture, then narrow down to accuracy and optimization.

2. Cross Functional Collaboration

- Design with empathy: “How can this make my manager’s or teammate’s work easier?”
- Listen and observe openly to get user’s needs/insights/feedback

3. Personal Growth

- Be Proactive: Don’t hesitate — just start
- When Stuck, break it down to step by step