

1. Problem Statement

The absence of radiologists in countries like India, as well as others in the developing world, contributes to delayed / missed diagnoses of serious conditions including pneumonia, lung cancer, and tuberculosis, particularly in rural and underserved communities. Early X-ray diagnosis is of paramount importance to the early detection and prevention of the disease. So, when the health care systems are inundated and the experts unavailable, the fate of the patients suffer greatly. Current AI models offer predictions; however, predictions without interpretation also limit their utility in clinical settings. There is a pressing need for a solution that not only reads disease from X-rays, but also makes sense of it in an easy to understand, almost Clue-like and interpretable manner for both the physician as well as the patient.

2. Target Audience & Context

Target users- doctors, nurses, paramedics, and community health workers in Tier 2/3 cities, rural clinics, and mobile healthcare settings where trained radiologists and diagnostic resources may be difficult to access. Public health organizations and NGOs working on TB and cancer screening efforts will also benefit from a portable AI-powered diagnostic assistant. For that context, we need a Simple, lightweight, multilingual assistant which works in low connectivity, offline and ensures that diagnostic assistant tools reach last mile.

3. Relevance of problem

The increase in respiratory diseases and the need for scalable diagnostics have highlighted existing gaps in India's healthcare infrastructure. AI is on the upswing; however, most tools are still out of range due to language, usability and connectivity issues. A solution that can detect a disease and provide explanations that are human-understandable has gone from luxury to necessity. It's time for equitable healthcare delivery with solutions designed for low-resource settings. Tackling this issue would align perfectly with India's national public health responsibilities as well as global goals concerning AI-enhanced medical equity.

4. Use of Gen-AI

By converting raw model predictions into structured, readable, patient-friendly outputs, generative AI contributes significantly to our solution. Given the CNN model of X-ray input for recognizing diseases, Gen-AI apps—say GPT-4—use the model predictions to produce radiology-style reports. On the other hand, complementary generative AI will produce natural language heatmap explanations (using Grad-CAM) and contextually relevant follow-up suggestions so the tool can also be used by non-radiologist doctors. Moreover, generative AI also helps translate the diagnosis into several languages and supports conversational exchange—enable healthcare workers to ask questions like "What does this result mean?" or "What should be the next step?" Thus, these abilities strengthen trust and increase understanding to arrive at better decision-making. On the other hand, these capabilities also enhance the addressing of varying literacy levels and different languages, which is a crucial component for patient communication in many communities across India.

5. Solution Framework

The solution begins when a doctor uploads chest or breast X-ray images via the web or mobile interface. The image is then preprocessed in terms of resizing and normalization, after which it is forwarded to a trained CNN model, such as DenseNet121, for disease detection. The model may then output a probability for each target disease: tuberculosis, pneumonia, or lung cancer. Grad-CAM is then applied to highlight the crucial regions with potential importance for the prediction. This stage is when Generative AI jumps in-The GPT-4 generates a state-of-the-art radiology-style report based on prediction and heatmap information-indicating disease likelihood, visual interpretation, and recommended actions. Optionally, the report can then be translated into the patient's local language or converted into speech through text-to-speech. All the components are deployed using a FastAPI backend and Streamlit frontend and containerized using Docker so that it can be easily deployed. The model hosting can be done on cloud servers or edge devices such as Raspberry Pi for offline use. Since the architecture is modular, public health dashboards or hospital record systems could easily be integrated. It allows instant, interpretable diagnosis from X-rays to serve patients in real-time.

6. Feasibility & Execution

Our solution is proposed as a completely deployable AI-based diagnostic software. It is trained on public medical datasets including NIH ChestX-ray14, RSNA Pneumonia, and TBX11K for robustness and generalization. The underlying model is implemented in PyTorch, with Grad-CAM included for visual explainability. Generative AI driven by GPT-4 utilizing the OpenAI API generates detailed, human readable diagnostics. The project itself consists of a lightweight and easy to use frontend, using Streamlit, a performant backend, using FastAPI. It is distributed and deployed by means of Docker for an easier interoperability between platforms. For offline/rural deployments you can run a light weight version of the software using ONNX on Raspberry Pi. This modular architecture enables the deployment on cloud servers, the local desktop, or edge devices, which makes the software flexible, cost-effective and scalable in different healthcare settings.

7. Scalability & Impact

The technology can be deployed in a wide range of healthcare environments, from major hospitals to small primary care facilities. It may also be used in telemedicine systems, mobile screening units, and public health campaigns. It is available in multiple region-specific languages and is voice-enabled. Implementing this at scale can significantly decrease time to diagnosis, give power to healthcare workers, and as a result, save patients through early identification. With additional improvements, it can also lay the groundwork for other radiology-derived assets of disease detection, such as breast cancer or Covid-related lung disease.

8. Conclusion / Summary & Bonus Minimum Lovable Product

Our project is a lightweight, Gen-AI powered diagnostic solution that analyzes X-rays and processes the findings in a language that doctors and patients can understand. It's intended to be an affordable, scalable, and practical device for India's wide-ranging health care landscape. With relatively low hardware and internet criterion, it's also a Minimum Lovable Product that increase diagnostic speed, transparency and accessibility; and thus you have an offering that's both impactful and commercially viable.

Generative AI in Medical Diagnosis Workflow

