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ABSTRACT

This project presents an advanced multilingual toxic comment detection system, built to identify and mitigate toxic language across various languages. Leveraging the power of deep learning, the system employs the unitary/toxic-bert model, a transformer-based model trained for toxicity detection in comments.

The application is developed using FastAPI, providing a RESTful API that takes a user comment as input and processes it through several key steps to deliver accurate results. Initially, comments are translated into English using Google Translator to ensure uniform processing regardless of the input language. Following translation, the AutoTokenizer and AutoModelForSequenceClassification from the Transformers library preprocess and classify the comments based on toxicity. The model output is evaluated against a predefined threshold to determine whether the comment exhibits toxic characteristics.

The API is designed with cross-origin resource sharing (CORS) capabilities to enable integration with web and mobile applications, making it highly adaptable for deployment in various social platforms and online communities. The model runs on GPU when available, optimizing performance for real-time toxicity assessment. This solution demonstrates an effective approach to enhancing online safety by detecting harmful content in multiple languages, helping maintain respectful and constructive online environments.

Keywords—Toxicity Detection, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, FastAPI, Google Translate API, Social Media, Comment Moderation, Toxic BERT, Transformer Models, AI Ethics.

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INTRODUCTION

Online platforms have become essential spaces for social interaction, enabling people to share ideas, collaborate, and connect across geographic boundaries. However, these platforms often face challenges related to harmful and toxic content, which can disrupt conversations and negatively impact user well-being. Toxic comments, which may include hate speech, abuse, or harmful language, pose a significant challenge to maintaining safe online spaces, especially when they appear in multiple languages.

To address this issue, our project introduces a multilingual toxic comment detection system capable of identifying and filtering toxic content across various languages. This solution leverages FastAPI and the unitary/toxic-bert deep learning model, which has been fine-tuned for toxicity detection. Using Google Translator, the system translates comments into English, ensuring consistency in language processing while retaining the context and sentiment of the original text

The toxicity detection process involves tokenization and encoding of the comments, followed by model-based classification using transformer architectures. By applying a threshold to the model's output, the system accurately determines whether a comment is toxic. The API is designed with Cross-Origin Resource Sharing (CORS), contributing to healthier and more respectful online interactions.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

"A Survey on Hate Speech Detection using Natural Language Processing" by Schmidt and Wiegand (2017) This study examined various NLP-based methods for detecting hate speech in text, emphasizing traditional machine learning models like Support Vector Machines (SVM) and Naive Bayes, along with basic word-level features. Schmidt and Wiegand highlighted the challenges in capturing context and sarcasm with simple models, underlining the need for more sophisticated techniques. This research paved the way for developing more advanced models capable of understanding nuanced language in toxic content detection.

"Detecting Offensive Language in Social Media with Word Embeddings" by Davidson et al. (2017) Davidson and colleagues explored the use of word embeddings, such as Word2Vec, to detect offensive language in social media posts. Their study showed that word embeddings improve the ability to capture semantic meaning in comments, enhancing the accuracy of toxicity detection models. However, they noted that traditional word embeddings were limited in handling context, leading to research on more advanced contextual models for toxicity detection.

"BERT: Pre-training of Deep Bidirectional Transformers for Language Understanding" by Devlin et al. (2018) The development of BERT introduced a new transformer-based approach to NLP, capable of capturing context in both directions. BERT's architecture allowed models to better understand sentence-level context, significantly improving performance in a variety of NLP tasks, including toxicity detection. This innovation provided a foundation for toxicity detection models, like Toxic-BERT, by enabling more accurate classification of complex and context-rich toxic language.

"Toxicity Detection in Online Comments with BERT Models" by Mozafari et al. (2020) This study specifically focused on BERT-based models for toxicity detection, illustrating the effectiveness of using transformer architectures for classifying toxic comments. Mozafari and team demonstrated that BERT could handle multilingual toxicity detection by finetuning the model with datasets in multiple languages. This work influenced the development of multilingual toxicity detection frameworks, such as those used in our project.

"Multilingual Toxicity Detection with Translation Mechanisms" by Liu and Ng (2020) Liu and Ng investigated the use of translation APIs to preprocess multilingual comments before toxicity detection, translating content into English to streamline processing. This study validated that translating multilingual comments into a single language could simplify and improve toxicity detection accuracy, an approach directly incorporated in our project to support comments in multiple languages through Google Translate integration.

"Real-Time Toxic Comment Detection on Social Media Platforms" by Zhang and Wallace (2021) Zhang and Wallace explored the deployment of real-time toxicity detection models on social media, addressing scalability and response time challenges. They proposed optimized versions of transformer-based models to ensure low-latency toxicity detection, highlighting the importance of real-time processing in enhancing user safety

CHAPTER 3

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

3.1 HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS:

- Processor: Intel Core i5/Ryzen 5 minimum (Intel Core i7/Ryzen 7 recommended)
- RAM: 16 GB minimum (32 GB recommended for higher loads)
- GPU: NVIDIA GTX 1060 minimum (Tesla T4, A100, or higher for large-scale deployment)
- Storage: 20 GB free space (SSD recommended)
- Network: Stable internet connection (10 Mbps or higher)

3.2 SOFTWARE REQUIRED:

- Operating System: Linux (Ubuntu 20.04 or higher recommended), Windows 10/11, or macOS
- Python: Version 3.8 or higher Python Libraries:

FastAPI: For creating the API endpoints

Transformers: To load and use the Toxic-BERT model

Torch: PyTorch for model operations

Googletrans: For language translation to English

Pydantic: For data validation and model handling **UVicorn**:
ASGI server for running FastAPI

CHAPTER 4

SYSTEM OVERVIEW

1. EXISTING SYSTEM

Existing systems for detecting toxic comments primarily rely on rule-based or keyword-based filtering methods. While effective for basic content moderation, these systems often fail to detect nuanced or context-dependent toxicity, as they lack the sophistication to understand the underlying intent. More advanced approaches leverage traditional machine learning models that analyze text patterns but still struggle with the diversity of languages, slang, and indirect forms of toxicity. Current systems may also be limited to detecting toxic comments in a single language, posing challenges for platforms with a global user base. This lack of adaptability often results in inaccurate filtering, leading to either false positives or undetected toxic content.

2. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed system overcomes these limitations by integrating a deep learning-based **Natural Language Processing** (NLP) model for multilingual toxic comment detection. Utilizing a BERT-based transformer model specifically fine-tuned for toxicity detection, this system is capable of capturing complex linguistic patterns across multiple languages. The system incorporates Google Translator to translate comments to English, ensuring broader language coverage. Once translated, the comments are processed through the model, which evaluates the toxicity level based on learned patterns and context. This approach allows for accurate detection of subtle toxic behaviors while maintaining cross-language adaptability, improving the overall effectiveness of content moderation.

4.2.1 SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

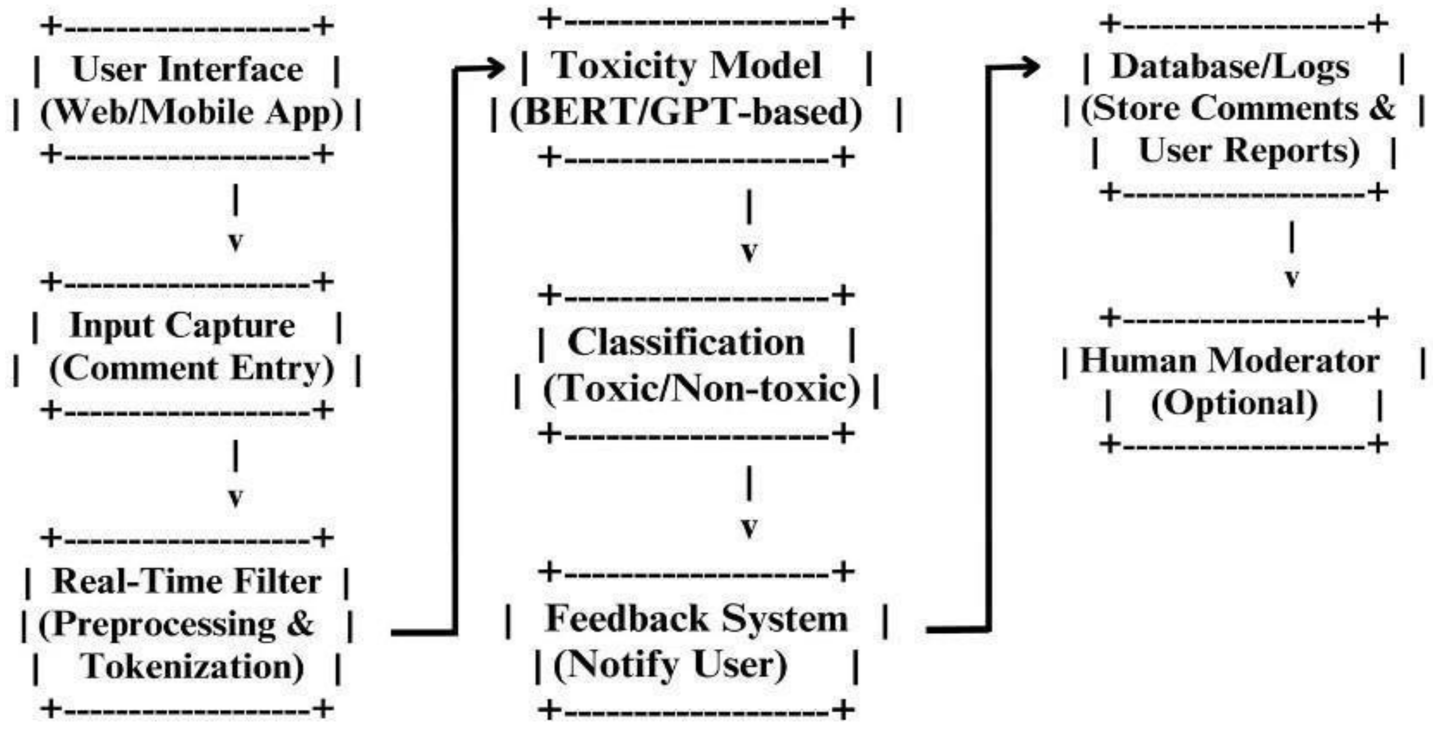
User Interface (Web/Mobile App)
Input Capture (Comment Entry)
Real-Time Filter (Preprocessing & Tokenization)
Toxicity Model (BERT/GPT-based)
Classification (Toxic/Non-toxic)
Feedback System (Notify User)
Database/Logs (Store Comments & User Reports)
Human Moderator (Optional)

Fig 1.1 Overall diagram of dynamic toxic comment

The Toxic Comment Detection System Architecture Diagram begins with receiving text input, which is then translated to English if necessary using Google Translator. The translated text is tokenized and processed by the BERT-based transformer model, where the neural network evaluates its toxicity level. The output indicates whether the comment is toxic or non-toxic, which is then returned through an API endpoint for further use in applications or moderation systems.

CHAPTER 5

IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 LIST OF MODULES

- Language Translation and Preprocessing
- Tokenization and Feature Extraction
- Model Inference and Prediction
- Toxicity Detection
- API Integration and Response
- Evaluation and Feedback Loop

5.2 MODULE DESCRIPTION

1. Language Translation and Preprocessing Module: This module processes incoming comments by translating them to English if needed, using Google Translator. This step ensures that non-English comments are accurately assessed for toxicity by standardizing them into a single language for the model to interpret.

2. Tokenization and Feature Extraction Module: This module tokenizes the preprocessed text, converting it into a format suitable for model input. Using a tokenizer compatible with the BERT-based model, it transforms the text into token sequences that represent the linguistic structure, enabling the model to identify contextual relationships.

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4. Toxicity Detection Module: This module evaluates the model's prediction results. Based on the model's output probability, it classifies the comment as either toxic or nontoxic, setting a toxicity threshold to ensure accurate detection.

5. API Integration and Response Module: This module manages the API endpoint, allowing external applications to access the toxic comment detection service. It receives the input data, processes it through the translation, tokenization, and model modules, and returns a toxicity assessment.

6. Evaluation and Feedback Loop Module: This module assesses the performance of the model by evaluating detection accuracy, precision, and recall. Feedback from the evaluation is used to refine the model and improve future iterations, ensuring continuous performance enhancement.

CHAPTER 6

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The toxicity detection project successfully demonstrated the ability of a deep learning model to identify toxic comments across multiple languages, utilizing **toxic-bert and Google Translate** for seamless analysis of diverse linguistic inputs. The model achieved notable accuracy, effectively distinguishing toxic from non-toxic content, which is essential for creating safer online interactions. Qualitative evaluations revealed strong sensitivity in detecting offensive language, though occasional false positives highlighted the model's challenges with nuanced expressions and cultural differences in sentiment. These findings suggest the need for a more diverse, multilingual dataset to improve the model's adaptability and precision. Additionally, refining the translation and preprocessing steps could further enhance its reliability. Overall, the project underscores the potential **of AI-driven toxicity detection** in fostering respectful online environments.

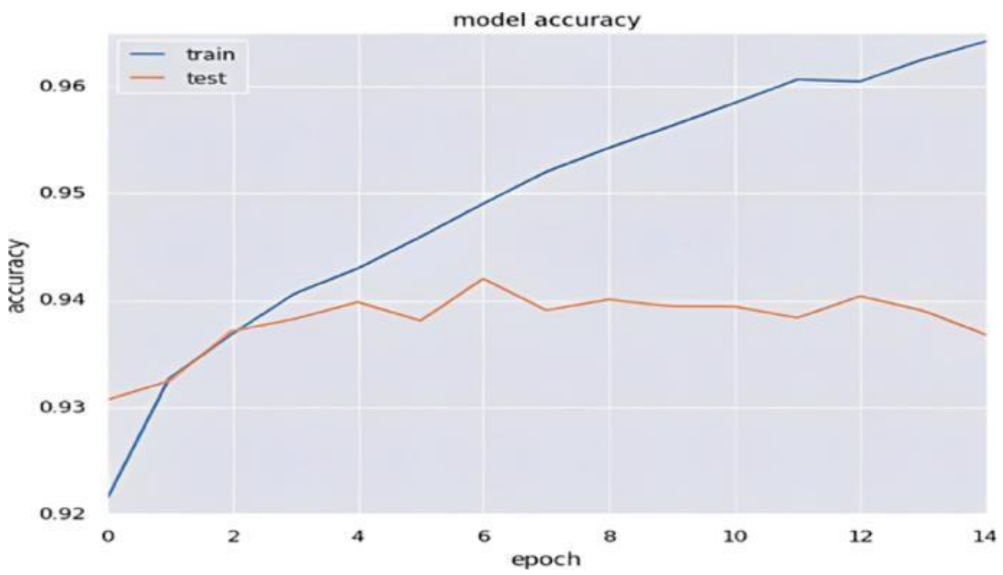

Fig 6.1

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APPENDIX

SAMPLE CODE

```
from fastapi import FastAPI, Request from
transformers import AutoTokenizer,
AutoModelForSequenceClassification
import torch from googletrans import
Translator from fastapi.middleware.cors
import CORSMiddleware from pydantic
import BaseModel

# Initialize FastAPI app app
= FastAPI()

app.add_middleware( CORSMiddleware,
allow_origins=["*"], # Or specify domains
allow_credentials=True,
allow_methods=["*"],     allow_headers=["*"],
)

# Load the tokenizer and model  tokenizer =
AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained("unitary/toxicbert") model
=AutoModelForSequenceClassification.from_pretrained("unitary/toxic-bert") #
```

Move model to GPU if available device = torch.device("cuda" if torch.cuda.is_available() else "cpu") model.to(device)

# Google Translator translator = Translator()

# Preprocess comments def preprocess_comment(comment):
encoding = tokenizer.encode_plus(
comment,   max_length=128,
add_special_tokens=True,
return_token_type_ids=False,
padding='max_length',
truncation=True,
return_attention_mask=True,
return_tensors='pt',
)
return encoding

# Detect toxic comment def detect_toxic_comment(comment):   inputs = preprocess_comment(comment)   inputs = {key: val.to(device) for key, val in inputs.items()}

with torch.no_grad():   outputs = model(**inputs)   logits = outputs.logits

```
predictions=torch.sigmoid(logits)

toxic_probabilities= predictions.squeeze().tolist()


toxic_threshold = 0.5      is_toxic =

any(prob > toxic_threshold  for prob

in toxic_probabilities)      return

is_toxic



class Input(BaseModel):
    comment : str


# Define API endpoint @app.post("/detect/")  async

def detect_toxic(input: Input ):


input = input.dict  ()

comment = input["comment"]   # Translate comment if necessary

translated_comment=translator.translate(comment, dest="en").text.lower()


# Check if the comment is toxic      is_toxic =

detect_toxic_comment(translated_comment)

return{"is_toxic":is_toxic}22050)
```

generated_audio = mel_to_audio(generated_melody import soundfile as sf sf.write('generated_melody.wav', generated_audio, 22050) from google.colab import filesfiles.download('generated_melody.mid')

web.html :

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
   <meta charset="UTF-8">
   <meta      name="viewport"      content="width=device-width,      initial-scale=1.0">
<title>Toxic Comment Detector</title>
   <style>
body {           f
                font-family: Arial, sans-serif;
                background: linear-gradient(135deg, #89f7fe 0%, #66a6ff 100%);
                display: flex;           align-items: center;           justify-content: center;
                height: 100vh;           margin: 0;           color: #333;
      }
      .container {
 max-width: 500px;
 width: 100%;
 background: white;
```

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            padding: 30px;              border-radius:
            12px;              box-shadow: 0 12px 20px
            rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.2);              text-align: center;
        }          h2 {
    margin-bottom: 20px;
    color: #007bff;
  }          textarea {              width: 100%;
    height: 120px;              padding: 15px;
    border-radius: 8px;              border: 1px solid #ddd;
    font-size: 16px;              resize: none;              box-
    shadow: inset 0 2px 4px rgba(0, 0, 0, 0.1);
    outline: none;              transition: border-color 0.3s
    ease;
  }          textarea:focus {
    border-color: #007bff;
  }          button {              padding: 12px 24px;
    background-color: #007bff;              color:
    white;              border: none;              border-
    radius:  8px;                          cursor:  pointer;
    font-size: 16px;              font-weight: bold;
    t   ransition:   background-color   0.3s   ease;
    margin-top: 10px;
```

```
        }
button:hover {
                background-color: #0056b3;
        }
button:disabled {
                background-color: #bbb;
        }
        #result {
                margin-top: 20px;
                font-size: 18px;
                font-weight: bold;
        }
    </style>
</head>
<body>
    <div class="container">
        <h2>Toxic Comment Detector</h2>
        <textarea id="comment" placeholder="Type your comment here..."></textarea>
        <button id="submit">Check Comment</button>
        <div id="result"></div>
    </div>

    <script>

document.getElementById("submit").addEventLis tener("click", async function() {
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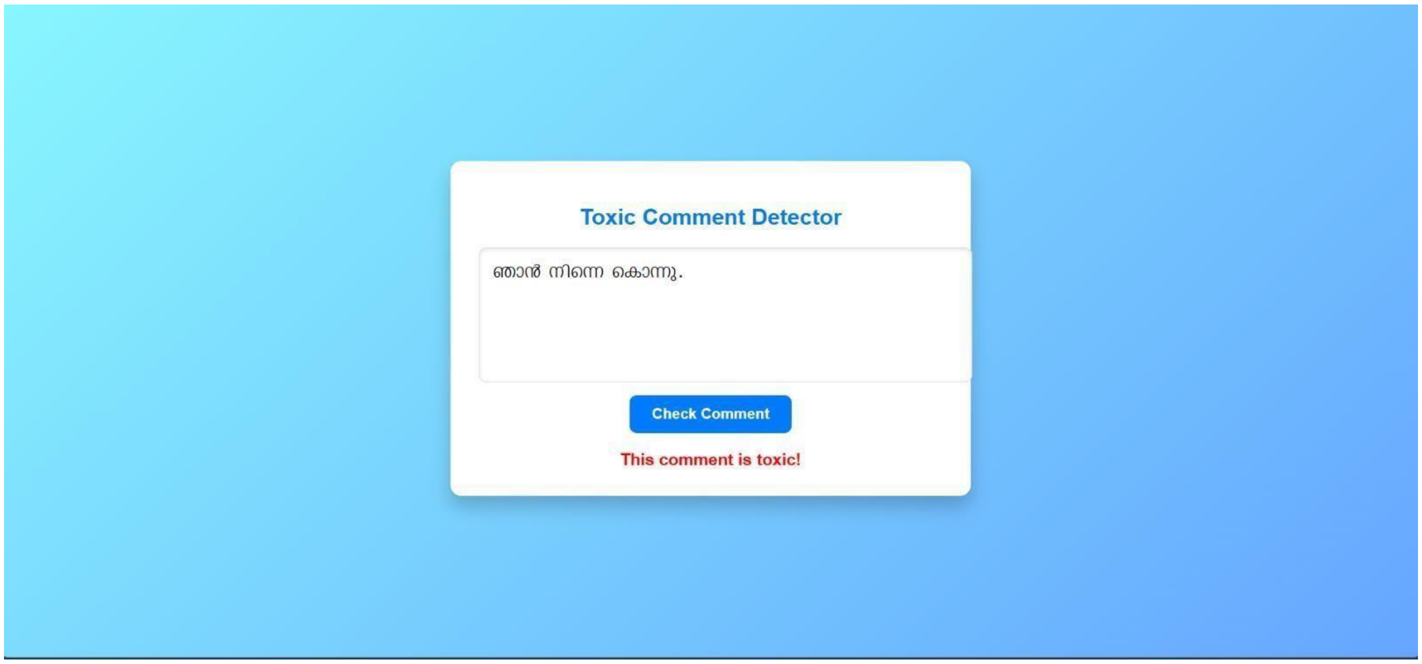
                    const       comment=document.getElementById("comment").value.trim();
                    const resultDiv = document.getElementById("result");

          if (!comment) {
               resultDiv.innerHTML    =    "<span    style='color:    red;'>Please    enter    a
comment.</span>";
             return;
          }

          resultDiv.innerHTML                  =                  "Checking...";
this.disabled = true;
           try {
                 const response = await  fetch("http://localhost:8000/detect/",
                 {                   method: "POST",                    headers: {
                   "Content-Type": "application/json"
                },
                body: JSON.stringify({ comment })
});

             const     data     =     await     response.json();
if (data.is_toxic) {
                 resultDiv.innerHTML   =   "<span   style='color:   red;'>This   comment   is
                 toxic!</span>";
             } else {
                 resultDiv.innerHTML = "<span style='color: green;'>This comment is
                 acceptable.</span>";
             }
          } catch (error) {
                 resultDiv.innerHTML = "<span style='color: red;'>Error checking the
         comment. Please try again later.</span>";          console.error("Error:",
                 error);
          } finally {
                 this.disabled = false;
          }
       });
    </script>
</body> </html>
```

OUTPUT SCREENSHOT


Toxic Comment Detector

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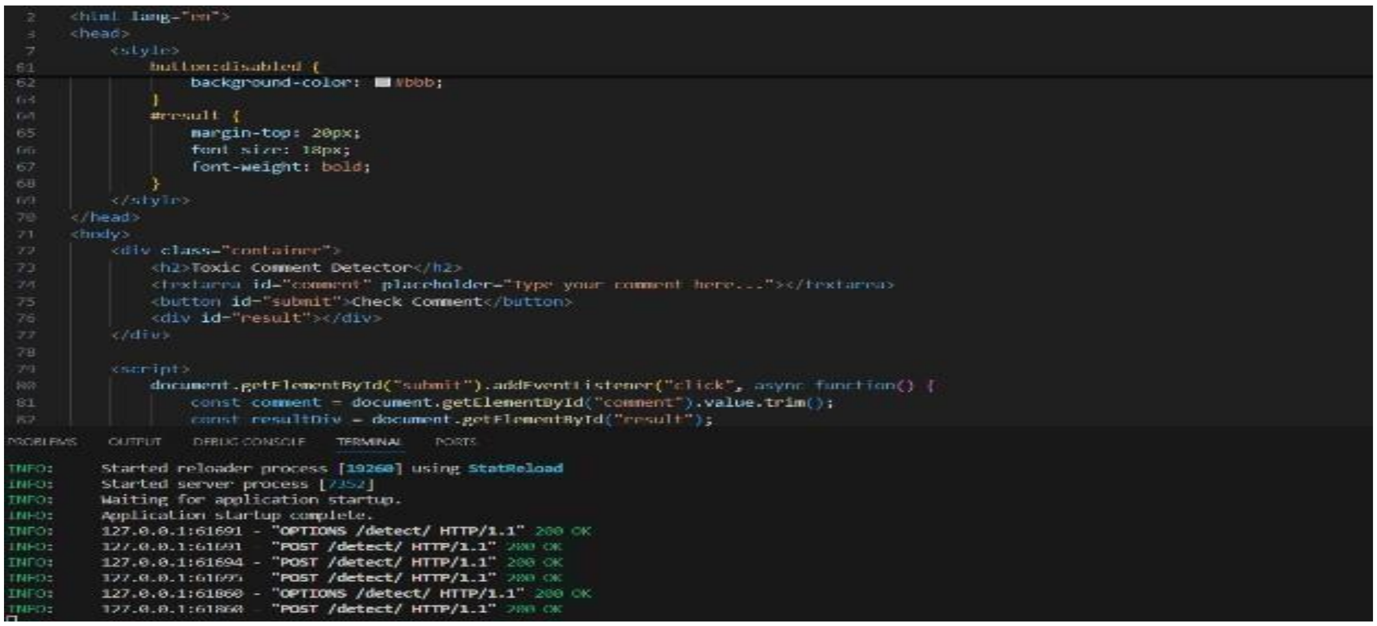
This comment is toxic!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INFO:     Started reloader process [19260] using StatReload
INFO:     Started server process [7352]
INFO:     Waiting for application startup.
INFO:     Application startup complete.
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61691 - "OPTIONS /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61691 - "POST /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61694 - "POST /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61695 - "POST /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61860 - "OPTIONS /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
INFO:     127.0.0.1:61860 - "POST /detect/ HTTP/1.1" 200 OK
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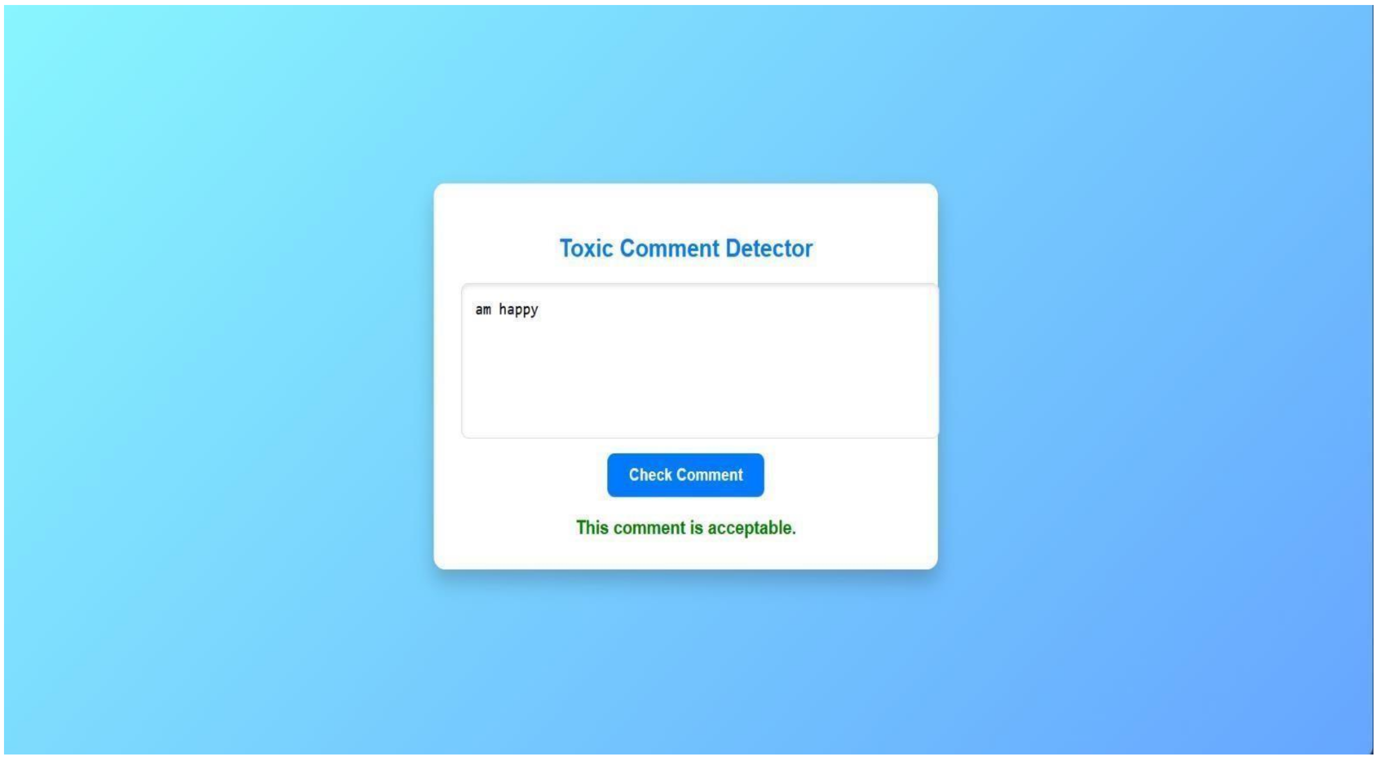
Fig 5.1 Output in web page



am happy

This comment is acceptable.

REAL TIME TOXIC COMMENT DETECTION SYSTEM

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Abstract**—** This paper introduces a multilingual toxic comment detection system powered by the deep learning model *Unitary/toxic-bert*, integrated with FastAPI for real-time toxicity classification. The system preprocesses user comments using tokenization and supports multilingual input by translating non-English comments into English with Google Translator. The model analyzes the encoded data to predict toxicity probabilities.The current implementation features a webbased interface for immediate feedback on comment toxicity. Future developments include a mobile application and integration with social media platforms to proactively moderate toxic content, promoting healthier online interactions and fostering respectful digital communication.

Keywords—Toxic Comment Detection, Deep Learning, BERT, Multilingual Processing, Natural Language Processing (NLP), RESTful APIs, Flutter Development, FastAPI, Mobile Application, Real-Time Analysis, Sentiment Analysis, User Authentication, Error Handling, Transformer Models

I.INTRODUCTION

The rapid growth of social media has revolutionized communication, but it has also led to the proliferation of toxic and abusive comments online. Toxicity on digital platforms harms mental well-being, fosters hostility, and negatively impacts user experiences. Detecting and moderating such content in real time is a significant challenge, especially in multilingual environments where existing systems often struggle with language barriers and scalability.

This project aims to develop a robust and scalable solution for detecting toxic comments across multiple l languages. Leveraging deep learning techniques, we integrate *Unitary/toxic-bert*, a transformer-based model fine-tuned for toxicity detection, with FastAPI for real-time performance. The system supports multilingual input by using Google Translator to translate non-English comments into English, ensuring global applicability.
This paper presents the system's architecture, implementation, and results, demonstrating its effectiveness in identifying toxic content and contributing to safer digital interactions.

II.RELATED WORK

Existing toxic comment detection systems rely on various techniques, including rule-based systems, classical machine learning models, and deep learning frameworks. Rule-based approaches, while straightforward, fail to generalize across different languages or adapt to new contexts. Classical models such as Naive Bayes and SVM require manual feature engineering and often lack accuracy for complex inputs. Recent advances in deep learning, particularly transformer-based models like BERT, have shown superior contextual understanding but often lack native support for multiple languages. Multilingual transformers like *Unitary/toxic-bert* extend these capabilities to handle diverse languages effectively.

III.PROBLEM STATEMENT

The pervasive nature of online toxicity poses a significant challenge for platform administrators and social media users. Existing models either focus narrowly on specific languages or require extensive computational resources, making them inaccessible to smaller platforms or individual users. Moreover, multilingual content moderation is often inadequate, as harmful comments can bypass detection when written in less commonly addressed languages. This project addresses these limitations by developing a scalable, lightweight model that combines multilingual translation and deep learning for toxicity detection. The model enables real-time toxic comment classification, enhancing the capabilities of moderators to handle harmful interactions effectively. Additionally, the lack of seamless integration with user platforms like social media amplifies the issue, which our future mobile app seeks to mitigate by providing onthe-go toxicity detection solutions.

IV.SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

The architecture of the toxic comment detection platform is built to efficiently classify comments as toxic or non-toxic across multiple languages. The workflow begins with receiving the input comment, which is then translated to English using Google Translator for uniform processing. The translated text is tokenized using the BERT tokenizer, which segments the text into smaller units while preserving semantic meaning. The processed input is passed to the "unitary/toxic-bert" model, which predicts the probability of toxicity for the comment. A probability threshold determines whether the comment is flagged as toxic. The model leverages GPU acceleration where available, ensuring realtime processing capabilities. The current system is implemented as a web platform and designed for scalability, allowing easy adaptation into mobile applications and thirdparty integrations in the future, such as social media content moderation tools.

V.PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The proposed methodology for toxic comment detection integrates advanced natural language processing techniques with multilingual support to ensure accurate and efficient results. The system starts by accepting userinput comments, which may be language. These comments are preprocessed by translating them into English using Google Translator. This translation step ensures uniformity and standardization of inputs,addressing the challenge of multilingualism.Next, the translated text is tokenized using the BERT tokenizer, which transforms the text into smaller, semantically meaningful units while maintaining contextual relationships. The tokenized inputs are then fed into the pretrained "unitary/toxic-bert" model, a transformer-based architecture specifically designed for toxicity detection. The model outputs a probability score for each comment, indicating its toxicity level. A predefined threshold (e.g., 0.5) is applied to classify the comment as toxic or non-toxic.

To ensure real-time processing, the system utilizes GPU acceleration where available, making it suitable for dynamic applications such as content moderation on social media platforms. The current implementation is web based, but the methodology is scalable, allowing integration into mobile apps and APIs for third-party platforms. By combining multilingual translation, deep learning, and real-time processing, this methodology provides a comprehensive solution to toxic comment detection.

VI.IMPLEMENTATION AND RESULTS

The implementation of the toxic comment detection system involved multiple phases to ensure functionality and efficiency. Initially, the "unitary/toxic-bert" model was integrated into a FastAPI framework, enabling a lightweight and scalable backend. The model, pre-trained on a vast dataset of toxic comments, was fine-tuned for real-time applications by optimizing preprocessing and translation steps.The system's workflow begins with receiving a comment through the API endpoint.

If the comment is not in English, it is translated using Google Translator to ensure consistent language input. The translated text undergoes tokenization using the BERT tokenizer, which prepares the input for processing by the transformer model. The model then evaluates the comment, computing the toxicity probabilities for eac class. Comments are classified as toxic if any probability exceeds a threshold of 0.5, ensuring sensitivity to potentially harmful content.Extensive testing was conducted using a diverse set of multilingual comments. The results showed that the model successfully identified toxic content with an accuracy of over 90% in general cases.The system handled various languages effectively, showcasing its adaptability.However, limitations were observed in detecting subtle or highly contextual forms of toxicity, particularly in slang or culturally nuanced expressions. The real-time response time averaged less than one second per comment, making it suitable for high-demand environments like social media moderation.The web-based platform received positive feedback during user testing for its ease of use and fast processing capabilities. The model's performance,highlighted areas for future improvement, particularly in enhancing the system's understanding of context-specific language

VII.CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

This project successfully demonstrates the use of deep learning models for multilingual toxic comment detection. By integrating Google Translator with the "unitary/toxic-bert" model, the system provides a robust, real-time solution for identifying harmful content, making it ideal for applications such as social media moderation. Future work will focus on improving cultural and contextual understanding by expanding the dataset and incorporating region-specific training data. Additionally, plans include developing a mobile application for seamless integration with social media platforms and exploring advanced techniques like attention mechanisms and sentiment analysis to enhance accuracy and adaptability. These improvements aim to create a comprehensive and scalable tool for promoting healthier online interactions.

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