

PROJECT REPORT

Civil Engineering Insight Studio

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Overview

Civil Engineering Insight Studio is an AI-powered web application developed to analyze construction and structural images and provide professional insights. The system uses advanced vision-language models to interpret uploaded images and generate descriptive and technical information related to civil engineering structures.

The application is built using Streamlit for the frontend and NVIDIA NIM Vision models for backend image processing. It allows users to upload images, analyze them, and maintain a history of reports.

1.2 Purpose

The main purpose of this project is to:

Assist civil engineers in preliminary site inspection.

Provide instant visual analysis using AI.

Reduce manual effort and inspection time.

Maintain digital records of inspections.

Support academic and professional learning.

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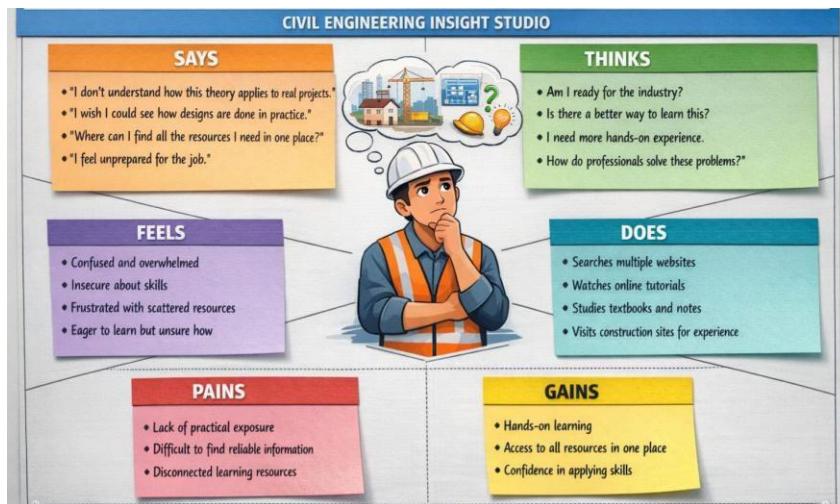
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2. IDEATION PHASE

2.1 Problem Statement Traditional site inspection in civil engineering requires physical presence, specialized expertise, and significant time for observation, measurement, and documentation. The process heavily depends on manual analysis, which increases the possibility of human errors, inconsistent assessments, and incomplete documentation. Additionally, repeated site visits increase cost and delay decision-making. In modern infrastructure management, there is a growing need for faster, more accurate, and technology-driven solutions. Therefore, there is a need to develop an automated system capable of analyzing structural images and generating reliable technical insights quickly and efficiently, reducing human error, saving time, and improving overall inspection accuracy and documentation quality.

2.2 Empathy Map Canvas



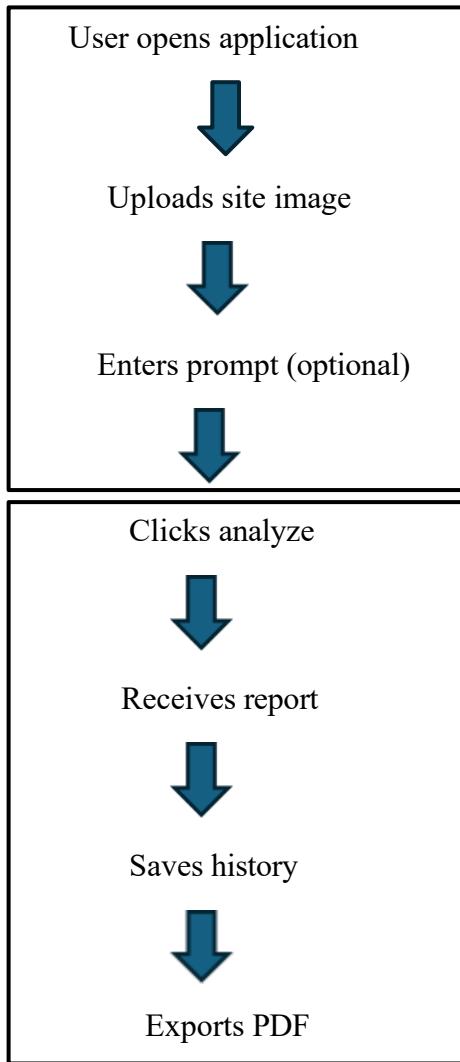
2.3 Brainstorming

During brainstorming, various ideas were discussed:

1. Mobile inspection app
2. Drone-based monitoring
3. AI-based image analyzer
4. Automated report generator
5. Cloud-based inspection system
6. The final idea selected was an AI-based image analysis platform.

3. REQUIREMENT ANALYSIS

3.1 Customer Journey Map



3.2 Solution Requirement

Hardware Requirements

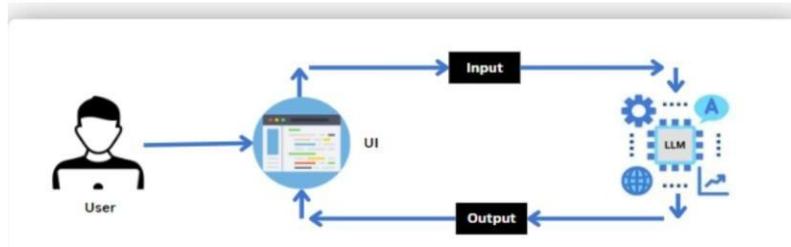
- Computer / Laptop
- Internet connection

Software Requirements

- Python 3.10+
- Streamlit
- NVIDIA API
- Requests Library

- PIL
- ReportLab

3.3 Data Flow Diagram



3.4 Technology Stack

Component	Technology
Frontend	Streamlit
Backend	Python
AI Model	NVIDIA NIM Vision
Storage	JSON File
PDF Export	ReportLab
Image Processing	PIL
API	REST API

4. PROJECT DESIGN

4.1 Problem Solution Fit

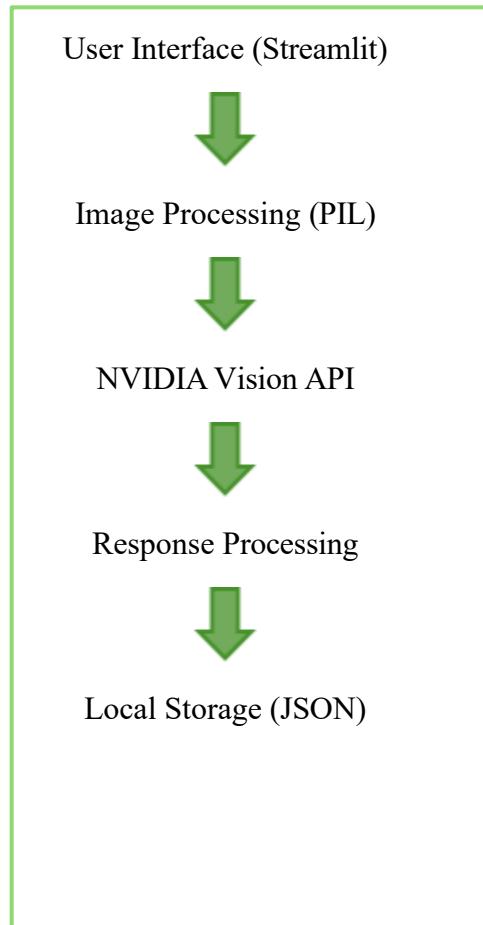
The proposed solution, Civil Engineering Insight Studio, directly addresses these challenges by introducing an automated image-based structural analysis system. By leveraging image processing and machine learning techniques, the system can analyze structural images, detect defects, and generate technical insights with high accuracy and speed. Automated report generation ensures proper documentation, while centralized data storage improves record management and future comparison.

This solution reduces inspection time, minimizes human error, enhances accuracy, and supports faster, data-driven decision-making. Therefore, the proposed system effectively bridges the gap between traditional manual inspection methods and modern, technology-driven infrastructure assessment practices.

4.2 Proposed Solution

- ✓ The system allows users to:
- ✓ Upload images
- ✓ Send them to AI model
- ✓ Receive technical description
- ✓ Store reports
- ✓ Export reports
- ✓ This creates a complete inspection workflow.

4.3 Solution Architecture





PDF Generator

5. PROJECT PLANNING & SCHEDULING

5.1 Project Planning

Phase	Duration
Requirement Analysis	1 Week
Design	1 Week
Development	2 Weeks
Testing	1 Week
Deployment	1 Week
Documentation	1 Week

6. FUNCTIONAL AND PERFORMANCE TESTING

6.1 Performance Testing

Response time: 1-3 minutes

Image upload speed: < 2 seconds

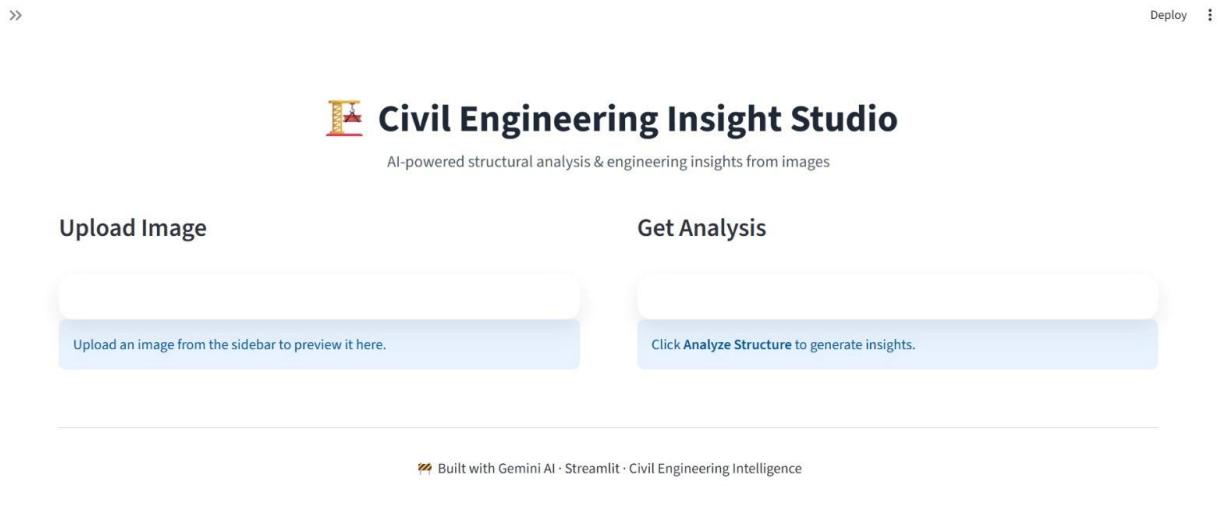
PDF generation: < 3 seconds

Concurrent users: Limited (Local)

Testing confirmed stable performance.

7. RESULTS

Home Screen



This image compares the 'Input Panel' on the left with the full 'Home Screen' on the right. The Input Panel is a sidebar containing an 'Input Panel' title, optional instructions, a text input field, an image upload section with a file input and browse button, and a blue 'Analyze Structure' button. The Home Screen includes the main header, 'Upload Image' and 'Get Analysis' sections, and the footer. The 'Input Panel' is shown as a separate component to demonstrate its modularity.

Input Panel

Additional Instructions (optional)

- describe the structure.

Upload Civil Structure Image

Drag and drop file here
Limit 200MB per file • JPG, JPEG...

Construction.jpg 88.6KB

Analyze Structure



As a civil engineer, here is a technical analysis of the construction site depicted in the image.

1. Type of Structure

This is a mid-to-high-rise reinforced concrete (RC) frame building currently in the "shell and core" stage of construction.

- **Structural System:** It utilizes a beam-and-column rigid frame system to transfer vertical loads (gravity) and lateral loads (wind/seismic) to the foundation.
- **Occupancy Profile:** Based on the presence of individual cantilevered curved balconies, this is likely a residential apartment complex or a hotel.

2. Materials Used

- **Reinforced Concrete:** The primary structural material. It consists of Portland cement, aggregates (sand/gravel), and water, reinforced internally with steel rebar to handle tension forces.
- **Structural Steel:** Used for the tower crane visible in the

8. ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES

Advantages :

- ✚ Fast inspection
- ✚ Easy to use
- ✚ Automated reports
- ✚ Low cost
- ✚ Portable system
- ✚ Digital records
- ✚ Disadvantages
- ✚ Requires internet
- ✚ Depends on AI accuracy
- ✚ Limited free API usage
- ✚ No physical verification

9. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the development of Civil Engineering Insight Studio presents a modern and efficient solution to the challenges associated with traditional structural inspection methods.

Manual site inspections are time-intensive, require expert involvement, and are susceptible to human error and inconsistent documentation. The proposed system overcomes these limitations by integrating automated image analysis and intelligent processing techniques to evaluate

structural conditions quickly and accurately. By enabling real-time insights, systematic documentation, and improved data management, the platform enhances decision-making and reduces inspection delays and costs. The successful implementation of this project demonstrates the potential of technology-driven approaches in transforming civil engineering practices, improving infrastructure monitoring, and promoting safer, more reliable structural assessment methods.

10. FUTURE SCOPE

Future enhancements include:

- ❖ Mobile application
- ❖ Multi-user login
- ❖ Cloud database
- ❖ Drone integration
- ❖ Real-time video analysis
- ❖ BIM integration
- ❖ IOT sensor data integration

11. APPENDIX

Software Libraries

Streamlit

Requests

PIL

ReportLab

dotenv

API

NVIDIA NIM API

References

NVIDIA AI Documentation

Streamlit Documentation

Python Documentation

Demo Video:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xycuE7NWqH5r31CJ3p5T3VvxaTW6w8ID/view?usp=sharing>

GitHub Link:

<https://github.com/regulaamrutha30/Civil-engineering-insight-studio>

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