smartSDLC – AI-Enhanced Software Development Lifecycle

Project Documentation

1. Introduction:

• Project title : smartSDLC – AI-Enhanced Software Development Lifecycle

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2. project overview:

> Purpose:

The purpose of *SmartSDLC – AI-Enhanced Software Development Lifecycle* is to simplify and accelerate the software development process using Artificial Intelligence. It helps in analyzing software requirements and converting them into a structured format that is easy to understand. The system also supports automatic code generation in multiple programming languages such as Python, Java, C, and C++. This reduces manual effort by providing ready-to-use code snippets, improves accuracy in understanding requirements, and saves valuable development time. Overall, SmartSDLC acts as a smart assistant that bridges the gap between requirement gathering and implementation, making the software development lifecycle faster, smarter, and more efficient.

> Features:

Requirement Analysis

Users can upload a PDF or type requirements as plain text. The system automatically analyzes and organizes them into:

- Functional Requirements
- Non-Functional Requirements
- Technical Specifications

Code Generation

Based on the given requirements, the system can generate code in multiple programming languages such as Python, Java, C, and C++.

• Simple User Interface

A Gradio-based interface with two main tabs:

- Code Analysis For requirement extraction and classification.
- Code Generation For generating code in the selected language.

Customizable

Users can provide their own requirements and choose their preferred programming language for generating relevant code.

Time-Saving

Helps reduce manual effort by quickly analyzing requirements and producing usable code snippets, improving productivity for developers and learners.

3. Architecture:

Frontend (Gradio)

The frontend is built using **Gradio**, which provides a clean and interactive web-based interface. It allows users to:

- Upload PDFs or type requirements.
- View categorized requirements (functional, non-functional, technical).

- Enter custom requirements and generate code in different programming languages.
 - The interface is organized into two main tabs:
- Code Analysis Tab For uploading or typing requirements and extracting categorized specifications.
- Code Generation Tab For generating code in the selected programming language.

Backend (Google Colab + Python)

The backend runs in **Google Colab**, where Python handles model loading, processing, and communication with the AI model. It:

- Extracts text from PDFs.
- Sends user prompts to the AI model.
- Returns structured analysis or generated code to the Gradio UI.

LLM Integration (IBM Granite)

The project integrates the **IBM Granite Large Language Model (LLM)** for natural language understanding and generation. It is responsible for:

- Analyzing software requirements.
- Categorizing them into functional, non-functional, and technical specifications.
- Generating accurate and usable code snippets in multiple languages.

PDF Processing (PyPDF2)

The system uses **PyPDF2** to extract text from uploaded PDF documents. The extracted content is passed to the AI model for further analysis and classification.

4. Set up Instruction:

Prerequisites

A Google Account to access Google Colab.

- Stable internet connection to install required libraries and load AI models from the cloud.
- A **Hugging Face account** for accessing the IBM Granite model.
- Basic knowledge of Python and Google Colab environment.

Installation Process

- 1. Open Google Colab.
- 2. Create a new notebook.
- 3. Change the runtime to **T4 GPU** (for faster execution).
- 4. In the first cell, install the required libraries:"!pip install transformers torch gradio PyPDF2"
- 5. After installation, put the project code into the next cell.
- 6. Run the notebook cells in sequence to launch the application.

<u>5. Folder Structure:</u>

Since the project is developed and executed entirely in **Google Colab**, it consists of a single main notebook file.

Structure:

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- SmartSDLC.ipynb
- **SmartSDLC.ipynb** The main Google Colab notebook that contains:
 - Code for requirement analysis and categorization.
 - Code for generating program snippets in multiple languages.
 - Gradio interface setup for user interaction.
 - Integration with the IBM Granite model for AI processing.

6. Running the Application:

- 1. Open the Google Colab notebook (SmartSDLC.ipynb).
- 2. Run the first cell to install all required libraries.
- 3. Run the subsequent cells to load the IBM Granite model and set up the Gradio interface.
- 4. In the final cell, execute:

"app.launch(share=True)"

5. Google Colab will display a public Gradio link such as:

"Running on public URL: https://xxxx.gradio.live"

Click the link to open the application in a browser tab.

The application provides two main functionalities:

- Code Analysis → Upload a PDF or type requirements → Click Analyze →
 Get categorized requirements (Functional, Non-Functional, Technical).
- Code Generation → Enter requirements + select a programming language → Click Generate Code → AI generates source code based on the input.

7. API Documentation:

The backend logic is implemented in Python within the Google Colab environment and powered by the IBM Granite model. While the system primarily runs through the Gradio interface, the following conceptual API endpoints represent the core functionality:

- POST /analyze-requirements
 - Description: Accepts either a PDF file or plain text containing software requirements.

 Response: Returns an AI-generated analysis organized into Functional Requirements, Non-Functional Requirements, and Technical Specifications.

POST /generate-code

- Description: Accepts a requirement description and the selected programming language.
- Response: Returns Al-generated source code in the chosen language.

POST /extract-pdf-text

- Description: Accepts a PDF file.
- Response: Extracts and returns plain text for further processing or analysis.

Note: These endpoints are conceptual representations for documentation purposes. In practice, all interactions are handled directly through the Gradio interface within Google Colab.

8. Authentication:

Currently, the project runs in an open environment inside **Google Colab** with a shareable Gradio link. This means:

- Anyone with the link can access the application.
- No login or security mechanism is enforced by default.

Planned Enhancements for Authentication:

- User Login System Add a secure login (username/password).
- Token-Based Authentication (JWT/API Keys) Protect API calls for requirement analysis and code generation.
- Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) Define different access levels for developers, testers, and administrators.

- **OAuth2 Integration** Use authentication via trusted providers (e.g., Google, GitHub).
- User Sessions and History Tracking Allow users to track their past analyses and generated code.

These features will improve the security and usability of *SmartSDLC* when deployed beyond the Colab environment.

9. User Interface:

The user interface of *SmartSDLC* is designed with **Gradio** to provide a simple and accessible experience for developers and learners.

Key Components:

- **Google Colab Notebook Integration** The entire project runs inside Colab, where Gradio provides the interactive web interface.
- Two Main Tabs:
 - 1. **Code Analysis Tab** Users can upload a PDF or enter requirements as text. The Al analyzes and categorizes them into *Functional*, *Non-Functional*, and *Technical Specifications*.
 - 2. **Code Generation Tab** Users can enter a requirement and select a programming language. The AI then generates the corresponding source code.
- **Textboxes for Input and Output** Simple and clear fields for entering requirements and displaying analysis or generated code.
- Action Buttons
 - Analyze → Runs requirement analysis.
 - \circ Generate Code \rightarrow Produces code in the selected language.
- **Public/Local Link Access** Gradio provides a temporary shareable link that allows users to access the interface from any browser or device.

The design prioritizes **ease of use, clarity, and quick interaction**, ensuring even beginners can operate the tool effectively.

10. Testing:

To ensure the reliability and accuracy of *SmartSDLC – AI-Enhanced Software Development Lifecycle*, different levels of testing were performed:

Functionality Testing

Verified that the *Code Analysis* tab correctly extracts and categorizes requirements from both PDF uploads and manually entered text.

Code Generation Testing

Confirmed that the *Code Generation* tab successfully produces code in multiple programming languages (Python, Java, C, C++, JavaScript) based on user requirements.

Model Response Validation

Ensured that the IBM Granite model generates meaningful, structured, and readable output without crashes or irrelevant content.

Interface Testing

Checked that all buttons (*Analyze* and *Generate Code*) work as expected and display results properly in the output textboxes.

Cross-Device Access Testing

Tested the Gradio public link on different browsers and devices (desktop and mobile) to confirm smooth operation and consistent performance.

Edge Case Handling

Validated how the system responds to unexpected inputs, such as incomplete requirements, unsupported programming languages, or empty PDF files.

11. Known Issues:

Performance Dependence on Internet Speed

Since the project runs in Google Colab and relies on cloud-based models, it may run slowly on weak internet connections.

Inaccurate or Incomplete Outputs

At times, the AI model may generate partial, inaccurate, or less-optimized code and requirement analysis.

No Authentication

The current version does not include login or security features. Anyone with the Gradio link can access the application.

• Limited Programming Language Support

Code generation is restricted to the languages supported by the AI model (Python, Java, C, C++, JavaScript, etc.).

• Dependency on Google Colab

The application requires Google Colab to run and cannot function offline or outside a cloud environment.

12. Future Enhancements:

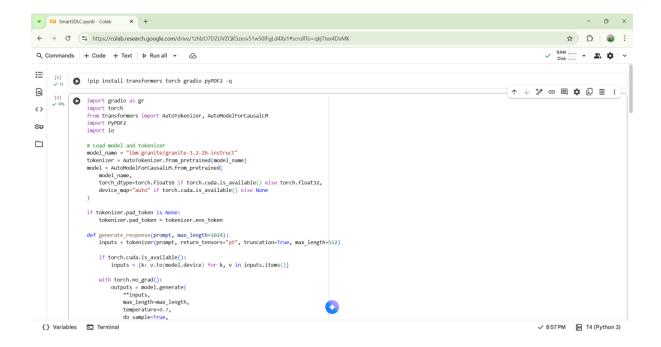
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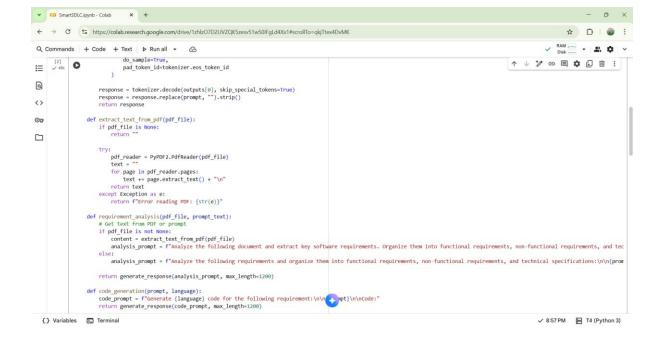
- **User Authentication:** Implement a login system to enhance security and personalize user experience.
- **Download Option:** Allow users to save generated code or analysis directly for offline use.
- Al Improvements: Enhance the Al model to provide more accurate, detailed, and context-aware results.
- **Real-Time Collaboration**: Enable multiple users to work together simultaneously on the same project or analysis.
- **Direct Deployment:** Provide options to deploy outputs directly as a website or mobile application for easier access.
- **Enhanced UI/UX:** Improve the interface with better formatting, themes, and user-friendly design.

Additional File Formats: Support more file types, such as DOCX, TXT, and others, for wider usability.

13. Screenshots:

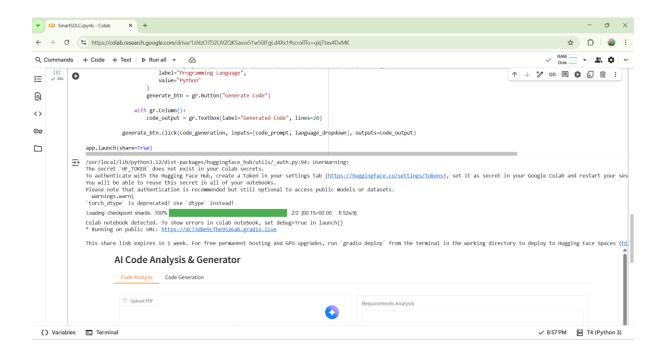
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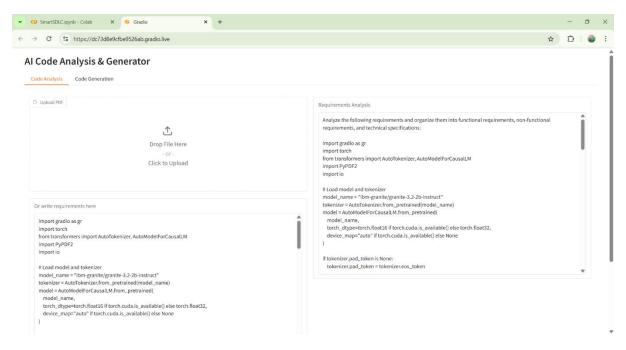
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14. **Output:**

> Code Analysis:



> Code Generator:

