Steel Surface Defect Detection Using Deep Learning

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Abstract



- Surface defects like cracks, dents, and scratches reduce the quality and strength of steel, making accurate detection essential in manufacturing.
- Manual inspection is slow and inconsistent, especially in high-speed production environments.
- ► This project proposes an automated defect detection system using the YOLOv11 deep learning model for its high speed and accuracy.
- The model was trained on a custom Roboflow dataset and implemented in Python using Google Colab with GPU support.
- Results indicate effective detection of various defects, demonstrating the system's potential as a scalable solution.

Introduction



- Steel is vital in industries like automotive, construction, and aerospace.
- Surface defects (cracks, pits, scratches) affect performance and quality.
- Manual inspection is slow and unreliable in fast-paced production.
- Deep learning offers automated solutions in Industry 4.0.
- ► This project uses YOLOv11, implemented on Colab and deployed via Hugging Face.

Literature Review



S.No	Title	Merits
1	Model Compression – Mao-	Enables real-time use through pruning
	jie Sun et al. (2024)	and quantization.
2	GDM-YOLO – Tinglin	Improves small defect detection and
	Zhang et al. (2024)	precision.
3	ECA-YOLOv5 – Fei Ren et	Enhances localization and classifica-
	al. (2024)	tion.

Technology Stacks



Packages

- ► YOLOv11 Deep learning object detection model.
- Roboflow Dataset preparation and management.

Libraries

- Ultralytics YOLO For training and inference.
- OpenCV Image processing and visualization.

Images









