

AI vs. Human Text Detection using Machine Learning

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Abstract— In today's digital era, distinguishing between AI-generated text and human-written content has become increasingly important, particularly in academic and professional domains. This project focuses on developing an advanced machine learning tool designed to accurately identify whether a given text is created by artificial intelligence or written by a human. Using Python programming and cutting-edge natural language processing (NLP) techniques, the project aims to mitigate the potential misuse of AI-generated text. The methodology involves leveraging the GPT-2 model, a sophisticated AI language framework, to calculate the perplexity score of the input text. Perplexity measures the efficiency of a probabilistic model in predicting a text sample, providing insights into whether the content is likely AI-generated. Additionally, the project incorporates a burstiness analysis, which evaluates word repetition within the text—a common trait of AI-generated content. To make the tool accessible and user-friendly, the project employs Streamlit to create an interactive web application. This platform allows users to input text and receive instant feedback, including the perplexity score, burstiness score, and a visualization of the most frequently repeated words using Plotly. The application also displays the input text for reference, ensuring a comprehensive and engaging user experience.

I. INTRODUCTION

The AI vs. Human Text Detection Using Machine Learning project addresses the challenge of distinguishing AI-generated text from human-written content. As AI models create increasingly sophisticated text, this tool leverages Python and advanced natural language processing (NLP) techniques to ensure content authenticity in academic, professional, and creative fields. The tool uses two primary metrics for analysis: perplexity and burstiness. Perplexity, computed using the GPT-2 model, measures how well

a model predicts a text sample, indicating the likelihood of AI authorship. Burstiness evaluates word repetition, a trait often seen in AI-generated content. Together, these metrics provide a comprehensive analysis of the input text. Implemented as an interactive web application using Streamlit, the tool allows users to input text or upload documents in formats like PDF, TXT, and DOCX. It provides real-time results, including perplexity and burstiness scores, along with visualizations of repeated words using Plotly.

Preprocessing steps, such as tokenization, stopword removal, and lemmatization, enhance the accuracy of the analysis. For classification, the project integrates machine learning models like Logistic Regression and Support Vector Machines (SVM), trained on diverse datasets. The tool's modular and scalable design supports various text inputs and ensures accessibility for both technical and non-technical users. Future updates can include additional languages, file formats, and machine learning models, making it a versatile solution for detecting AI-generated text.

II. OBJECTIVES AND METHODOLOGY

The objective of this project is to develop a reliable machine learning-based tool capable of distinguishing AI-generated text from human-written content, ensuring content authenticity and addressing potential misuse in academic, professional, and creative contexts. The methodology focuses on leveraging two core metrics: perplexity, calculated using the GPT-2 model to measure how well a model predicts a text sample, and burstiness, which evaluates word repetition patterns often characteristic of AI-generated content. Text preprocessing steps, including tokenization, removal of stopwords and punctuation, and optional lemmatization or stemming, are applied to clean and standardize the input for accurate analysis. Logistic Regression and Support Vector Machines (SVM) are used for classification, trained on diverse datasets to enhance reliability. The tool is implemented as an interactive web application using Streamlit, allowing users to input text or upload documents in formats like PDF, TXT, and DOCX. It provides real-time analysis, including perplexity and burstiness scores, and visualizes repeated word patterns with Plotly. Designed with scalability and modularity, the tool can handle various text formats and lengths, with provisions for future enhancements like support for additional languages, file formats, and advanced machine learning models.

III. LITERATURE SURVEY

The detection of AI-generated text has become an essential area of research due to the rapid advancements in natural language models like GPT-2 and GPT-3, which produce highly coherent and human-like content. Studies emphasize the use of perplexity, a metric measuring how well a language model predicts a sequence of words, as AI-generated text often exhibits lower perplexity compared to human-written content. Burstiness, another key metric, evaluates word repetition patterns and has been found to be more prominent in machine-generated text. Machine learning models, such as Logistic Regression and Support Vector Machines (SVM),

are widely employed for text classification, with recent research exploring ensemble methods and deep learning techniques to enhance accuracy. Interactive frameworks like Streamlit and visualization tools such as Plotly enable user-friendly implementations for real-time text analysis. Despite these advancements, challenges remain due to the continuous evolution of AI models and the variability in human writing styles, necessitating adaptable detection methods. This project leverages insights from these studies, combining perplexity, burstiness, and machine learning techniques into a scalable and accessible tool for distinguishing AI-generated text from human-written content.

IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM

The proposed AI vs. Human Text Detection system utilizes advanced machine learning and natural language processing (NLP) techniques to distinguish between AI-generated and human-written text. At its core, the system employs the GPT-2 model to compute the perplexity score, which gauges how well the model predicts the text. A lower perplexity score is indicative of AI-generated content. The system also evaluates the burstiness score, which measures the repetitiveness of words, another common feature of AI-generated text. To improve user experience, the system is implemented as a Streamlit web application, enabling real-time analysis. Users can input text and view the original content along with the perplexity and burstiness scores, as well as a visualization of frequently repeated words using Plotly. The application incorporates a text preprocessing module that cleans and normalizes the input by tokenizing the text, removing stopwords and punctuation, and offering optional lemmatization or stemming. This approach ensures the text is properly prepared for analysis, enhancing the accuracy of the results. The system is scalable, user-friendly, and efficient enough to handle large volumes of text, making it ideal for practical applications in areas like academia, journalism, and content moderation.

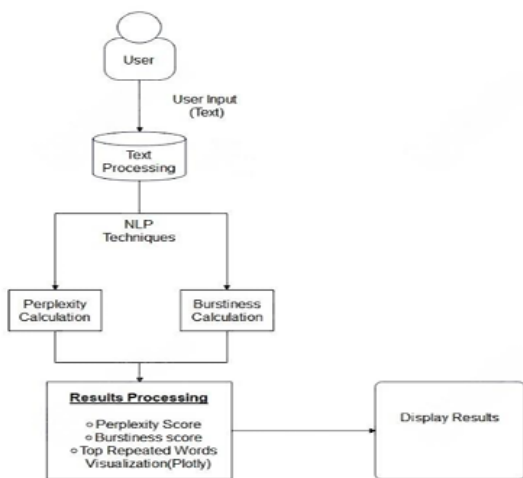


Figure 01: Architecture Diagram

V. IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of the AI vs. Human Text Detection project follows a structured methodology to ensure accuracy, reliability, and user-friendliness. It begins with problem definition and requirements gathering to identify the objectives, challenges, and features needed, such as text input, real-time analysis, and visualization. A thorough literature survey reviews existing methods and technologies, identifying gaps and best practices for detecting AI-generated content. The system is designed with modular components, including user interaction, text preprocessing, machine learning model training, and deployment using Streamlit. Data collection involves gathering a dataset of AI-generated and human-written text, which undergoes preprocessing steps like tokenization, stopword removal, punctuation cleaning, and lemmatization or stemming. Models such as Logistic Regression and Support Vector Machines (SVM) are trained on extracted features, with performance evaluated using metrics like accuracy and F1-score. Key detection metrics, perplexity (measuring prediction quality) and burstiness (assessing word repetition patterns), are implemented using the GPT-2 model. The web application provides a user-friendly interface for text input, real-time analysis, and visual representation of repeated words via Plotly. Rigorous testing ensures system reliability, including error handling, performance, and model evaluation. The project is deployed as a web-based tool with plans for future enhancements, such as multilingual support, scalability, expanded file format compatibility, and improved model accuracy through continual updates.

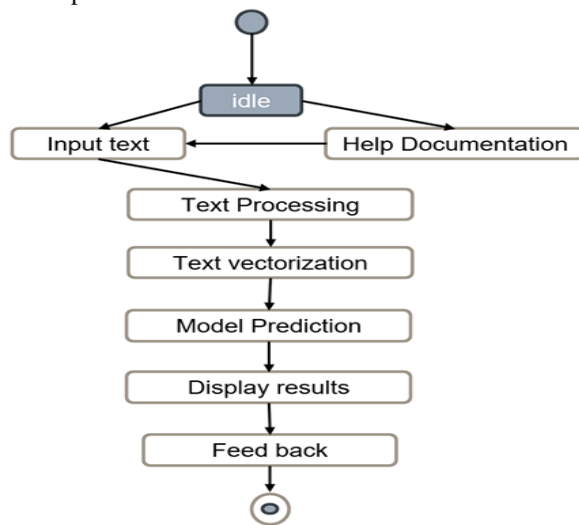


Figure 02: Work Flow of Application

Test Case Id	Scenario	Step	Expected Output	Actual Output	Status
TC 01	User uploads a valid PDF document containing human or AI written text within the size limit.	Open the application → Click "Upload a document (pdf, txt, docx)" → Select "demo_text.pdf" → Click "Submit."	The application processes the PDF and predicts it is written by a Human or AI.	The application processes the PDF and predicts it is written by a Human or AI Successfully.	Pass
TC 02	Entering AI or Human text directly	Open the application → Paste the AI or Human text into the "Enter your text" area → Click "Submit."	The application processes the Text and predicts it is written by a Human or AI.	The application processes the Text and predicts it is written by a Human or AI Successfully.	Pass
TC 03	Sending Feedback via Email	Open the application → write Feedback in "Enter your text" area → "recipient@example.com" in the "Recipient Email" field → Click "Send Feed via Email."	The application sends email using SMTP and Displays "Confirmation message"	The application sends email using SMTP and Displays "Email sent Successfully"	Pass
TC 04	Submitting Without Any Input	Open the application → Do not upload any document → Leave the "Enter your text" area empty → Click "Submit."	The application displays an error message	The application displays an error message: "No valid text found to process."	Pass

Table 01: Test Cases

VI. DISCUSSION

A. Comparative Analysis:

The AI vs. Human Text Detection project stands out in its approach by leveraging advanced metrics like perplexity and burstiness, which provide a more nuanced detection mechanism than traditional plagiarism tools. While many existing systems primarily focus on comparing textual similarity, this project utilizes perplexity, a measure of how well a language model predicts text, and burstiness, which gauges word repetition patterns typically found in AI-generated content. By employing the GPT-2 model, a powerful pre-trained AI language model, the system can accurately evaluate these characteristics, distinguishing AI-generated text from human-written content. This approach, which combines linguistic metrics and machine learning, ensures higher precision and more reliable results compared to older, less dynamic techniques.

B. Positive Aspects:

The project is designed with both functionality and accessibility in mind. Built using Streamlit, a framework that supports rapid development of machine learning applications, the system provides a user-friendly interface that allows easy interaction with users of varying technical expertise. It supports a range of text formats (including PDF, TXT, DOCX), making it versatile for different use cases. The real-time analysis feature, coupled with visualizations powered by Plotly, further enhances the user experience by providing immediate feedback and graphical representation of repeated word patterns. With its modular architecture, the project is scalable, allowing for future enhancements such as multilingual support, additional file format compatibility, and continuous updates to keep pace with advances in AI text generation. This makes it a robust, efficient, and future-proof solution for detecting AI-generated text in diverse academic, professional, and creative fields.

VII. CONCLUSION AND FUTURE SCOPE

The AI vs. Human Text Detection Using Machine Learning project offers a robust solution to distinguish AI-generated text from human-written content, using advanced machine learning techniques and natural language processing. It leverages GPT-2 for perplexity and burstiness scores, combined with models like Logistic Regression and SVM, to provide accurate predictions. The system, built with Python and libraries such as Streamlit and Plotly, offers a user-friendly web interface for real-time analysis. While effective in detecting AI-generated text, the project faces limitations like support for limited file formats and language restrictions. Future improvements include expanded file support, multilingual capabilities, better scalability, and continuous model updates. Additionally, integrating the system with cloud services or content management platforms could enhance accessibility and utility, especially in educational and professional contexts. This project is a crucial step toward ensuring content authenticity in the digital age, addressing the challenges posed by evolving AI technologies.

The AI vs. Human Text Detection project has considerable potential for future improvements. Key areas for development include expanding file format support (e.g.,

RTF, HTML), adding multilingual capabilities, and optimizing scalability through cloud infrastructure to handle large volumes and multiple users. Additionally, continuous updates to machine learning models, integration with cloud storage and content management systems, and the addition of advanced visualizations like sentiment analysis and word clouds can enhance the system's functionality. Features like real-time collaboration, improved error handling, AI model explainability, and integration with AI writing assistants would further enrich the user experience. Future plans also include mobile app development for on-the-go access, addressing ethical and legal considerations, and incorporating gamification to boost user engagement. Lastly, fostering research collaborations and open-source development could drive further advancements and adapt the tool to various industry needs.

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