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Research Paper Summarization

Using RAG MODEL



INTRODUCTION

Problem Statement:

- Reading and understanding lengthy research papers is time-consuming. Students and researchers often need quick summaries and answers to specific questions.

End User Requirement:

- Quick, accurate, and easy-to-read summaries of lengthy and technical research papers.
- User must be able to choose whether he/she needs short, medium or lengthy summaries based on their time span.
- User must be able to search for the meaning of the word that he finds difficult.
- He must get accurate answers for the questions he poses.

Abstract :

This project focuses on developing an AI-based web application that generates a detailed summary of PDF documents using Large Language Model (LLM) and RAG Model. The main objective is to help users quickly understand lengthy documents without reading them completely. The project uses Python (FastAPI) for backend, Machine Learning models like Google Gemini Pro for text summarization, and ReactJS for frontend. The solution enhances user productivity, especially for students and researchers handling large amounts of content.

Objectives:

- Reduce time spent on initial research review.
- Enhance understanding of complex topics through concise summaries.
- Offer tailored summarization options (short, medium, long).
- Simplify exploration of unknown terms via integrated tools.

Technology Stack:

- Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
 - FIASS as Vector Database
 - Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)
 - Large Language Models (LLMs) – Google Gemini Pro



REQUIREMENT

Outcome:

A web-based, intelligent summarization tool for academic content that simplifies and accelerates the research process.

Key Features:

- Automated summarization of uploaded research papers (PDF, DOC):**

Enables users to upload various document formats and receive instant, AI-generated summaries.

- Adjustable summary length (short / medium / detailed):**

Allows users to choose the depth of the summary based on their needs—quick scan or deep understanding.

- Dark and light mode themes:**

Enhances user comfort and accessibility through customizable display preferences.

- Built-in academic dictionary :**

Offers clear definitions of technical terms to aid comprehension, especially for interdisciplinary readers.

- User feedback submission for improvement:**

Collects input from users to refine summaries and enhance future platform updates.

- Summarization history :**

History of the summaries is also stored..

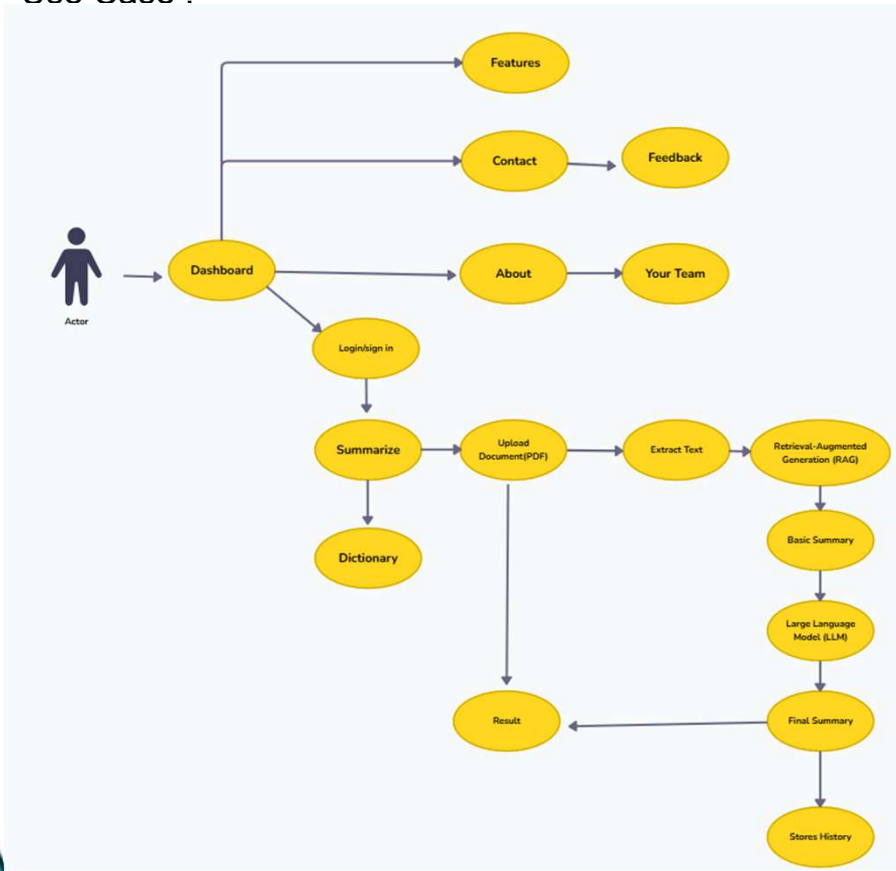
- AI-powered chatbot for Q&A based on uploaded content:**

Provides interactive assistance and answers user queries derived directly from the research paper content.

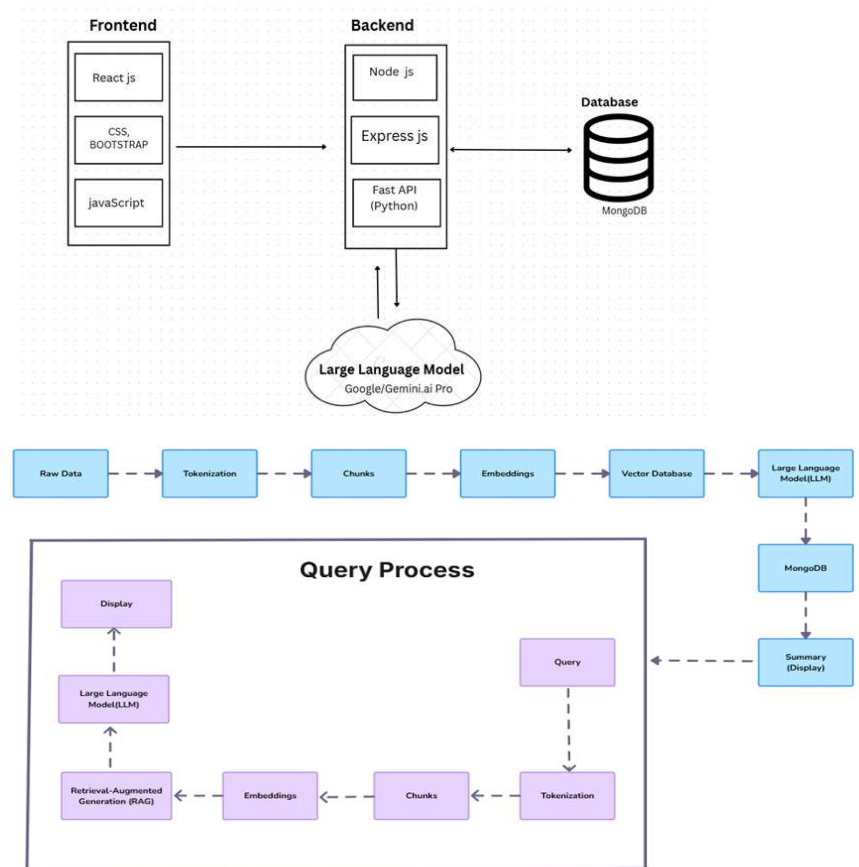
- Text to Speech :**

The generated summary is converted to speech.

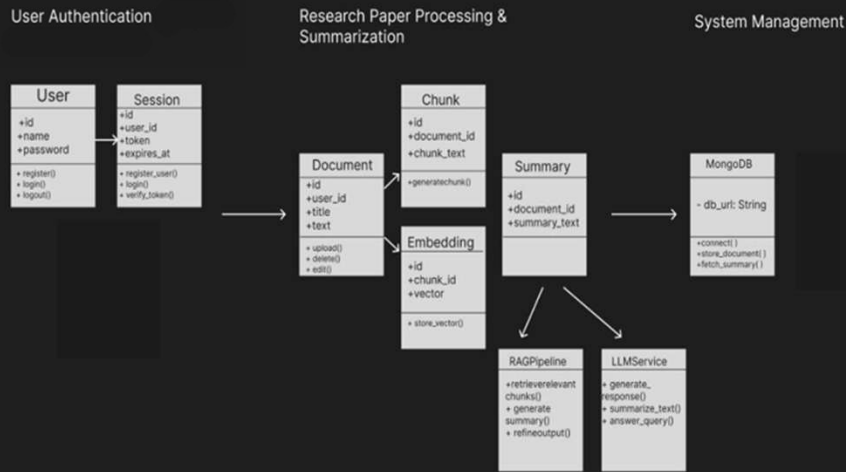
Use Case :



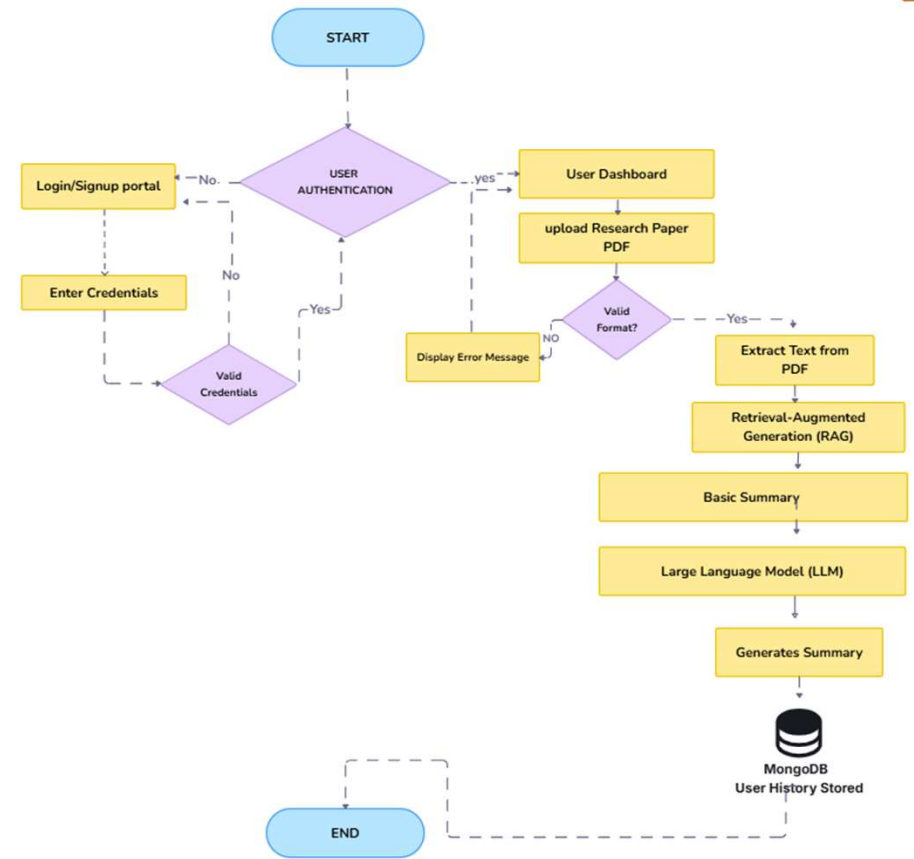
Architecture :



CLASS DIAGRAM :



FlowChart:



DataBase Design:





DEVELOPMENT

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2 AI Processing

Our advanced algorithms analyze the content and extract key information

3 Get Your Summary

Receive a concise summary with main points, methods, and findings

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Common Research Paper Questions

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Why are research papers important?

What does a research paper include?

Who writes research papers?

How is a research paper different from an essay?

Where can you find research papers?

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Research Summarizer

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or

Browse Files

Supported formats: PDF, DOC, DOCX

Dictionary

science

Search

noun: A particular discipline or branch of learning, especially one dealing with measurable or systematic principles rather than intuition or natural ability.

Ready to summarize: research_paper2.pdf

Select summary length:

Short

Medium

Long

Summarize Now

Summary

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This study examines the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on college students' experiences and expectations using survey data from approximately 1,500 undergraduates at a large US public university. The survey design allowed researchers to compare students' current reality with their anticipated circumstances had the pandemic not occurred, thereby isolating the pandemic's causal effects. Key findings reveal widespread negative impacts, including 13% of students delaying graduation, 40% experiencing job or internship losses, and 29% anticipating lower earnings at age 35. Academically, while roughly half the students reported decreased study time and performance, significant heterogeneity existed, with some increasing study time considerably...

Listen to Summary

Q&A: Ask Questions

A: The Impact of COVID-19 on Student Experiences and Expectations: Evidence from a Survey.

Q: title of the research paper

A: Something went wrong

Q: advantages

A: Data & Methodology: - Uses survey data to examine COVID-19 impact on student experiences. - Employs rigorous econometric analysis. Key Findings: - Identifies heterogeneous impacts across student subgroups. - Suggests policy focus on mitigating economic/health burdens on prevent widening achievement gaps. Contribution: - Provides timely insights into the effects of the pandemic on higher education. - Offers policy recommendations for addressing these challenges.

Q: disadvantages of the paper

Ask a Question

Ask



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Our Mission

At PaperGlance, we're transforming how researchers interact with scholarly content. Our AI-driven platform delivers concise, accurate summaries of complex research papers, accelerating your academic workflow.

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Key Features

- Instant paper summarization
- Citation pattern analysis
- Key term identification
- Research trend tracking

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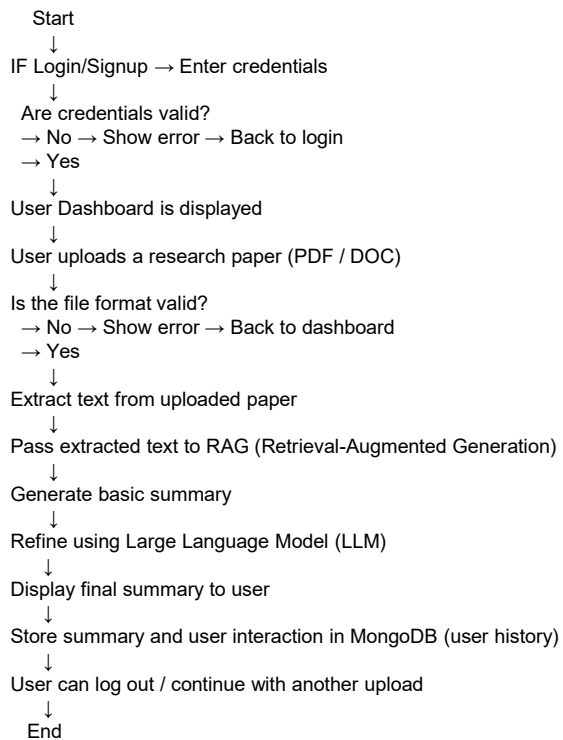




Tools and Frameworks Used:

- NLP & ML:** Google/Gemini pro 1.5
- Frontend:** React, Bootstrap, CSS Modules
- Backend:** FastAPI
- Database:** MongoDB
- Others:** Git, Postman, Google Colab, Figma (for UI prototypes)

Workflow:





Frontend Pseudo code

SummarizePage.js

api.js

```
SET API_URL = "http://localhost:8000"
```

```
FUNCTION uploadFile(file):  
  CREATE formData with file  
  TRY:  
    POST to API_URL + "/upload" with formData  
    RETURN response.data  
  CATCH:  
    LOG error  
    THROW "File upload failed"
```

```
FUNCTION getSummary(query):  
  TRY:  
    POST to API_URL + "/summarize" with query  
    RETURN response.data  
  CATCH:  
    LOG error  
    THROW "Summary generation failed"
```

```
FUNCTION SummarizePage():  
  // State  
  SET darkMode = GET_DARK_MODE_STATUS()  
  SET file = NULL  
  SET summaryResult = NULL  
  SET error = ""  
  SET historyItems = EMPTY_LIST  
  SET selectedHistoryItem = NULL  
  
  // Fetch history on mount  
  WHEN COMPONENT_MOUNTS:  
    SET historyItems = CALL_API("GET",  
    "http://localhost:8000/summaries/")  
  
  // Handle history item click  
  FUNCTION handleHistoryItemClick(item):  
    SET selectedHistoryItem = item  
    SET summaryResult = {summary: item.summary}  
    CLEAR file  
  
  // Handle download summary  
  FUNCTION handleDownloadSummary():  
    CALL_API("POST", "http://localhost:8000/download-  
summary/", {summary_text: summaryResult.summary},  
    {responseType: 'blob'})  
    TRIGGER download OF "research_summary.pdf"  
  
  // Handle file drop/upload  
  FUNCTION handleDrop(event):  
    SET file = FIRST event.dataTransfer.files  
    CALL handleUpload(file)  
  
  FUNCTION handleFileChange(event):  
    SET file = FIRST event.target.files  
    CALL handleUpload(file)
```

```
// Handle upload  
FUNCTION handleUpload(file):  
  CALL_API("POST", "http://localhost:8000/upload/", NEW  
FormData().append("file", file))  
  ADD response.data TO historyItems  
  
// Handle summarize  
FUNCTION handleSummarize():  
  CALL_API("POST", "http://localhost:8000/summarize", NEW  
FormData().append("file", file))  
  SET summaryResult = {summary: response.data.summary}  
  
// Render UI  
DISPLAY layout WITH:  
  IF historyItems:  
    FOR EACH item IN historyItems:  
      DISPLAY item.name  
      ON CLICK: CALL handleHistoryItemClick(item)  
  IF NOT selectedHistoryItem:  
    DISPLAY drag-and-drop area  
    ON DROP: CALL handleDrop  
    DISPLAY file input  
    ON CHANGE: CALL handleFileChange  
    DISPLAY summarize button  
    ON CLICK: CALL handleSummarize  
  IF summaryResult:  
    DISPLAY summary  
    DISPLAY download button  
    ON CLICK: CALL handleDownloadSummary  
  IF selectedHistoryItem:  
    DISPLAY chat history  
  ELSE:  
    DISPLAY chat box  
  IF error: DISPLAY error  
  
RETURN rendered component
```



Backend Pseudo code

llm_utils.py

```
SET logging TO DEBUG
SET MODEL = "gemini-1.5-pro"
SET USED_KEYS = CIRCULAR_QUEUE OF API_KEYS

FUNCTION clean_summary(summary):
    REPLACE markdown, HTML, chatty phrases WITH ""
    NORMALIZE bullet points, whitespace
    RETURN TRIM(summary)

FUNCTION make_gemini_request(prompt, api_key) WITH
RETRY (3 ATTEMPTS):
    SET url =
"https://generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1/models/{MODE
L}:generateContent?key={api_key}"
    SET payload = {"contents": [{"parts": [{"text": "Expert
summarizer. {prompt}"]}]}
    SEND POST request TO url WITH payload
    IF success:
        RETURN
response["candidates"][0]["content"]["parts"][0]["text"]
    ELSE:
        RAISE error

FUNCTION summarize_with_llm(chunks,
summary_length="medium"):
    IF summary_length IS "short":
        SET prompt = "Summarize in 1-2 sentences:\n" +
JOIN(chunks[:5])
    ELSE IF summary_length IS "medium":
        SET prompt = "Summarize in 2-3 paragraphs:\n" +
JOIN(chunks[:10])
    ELSE IF summary_length IS "long":
        SET prompt = "Summarize in 6-8 paragraphs with
headings:\n" + JOIN(chunks[:30])
    ELSE:
        SET prompt = "Summarize in 2-3 paragraphs:\n" +
JOIN(chunks[:5])

FOR EACH api_key IN USED_KEYS:
    TRY:
        SET raw_summary = make_gemini_request(prompt, api_key)
        RETURN format_summary(clean_summary(raw_summary),
summary_length)
    EXCEPT:
        ROTATE USED_KEYS
        IF LAST KEY: RAISE "All keys failed"

FUNCTION ask_question(question, top_chunks):
    IF question CONTAINS ["title", "author", "journal", "date",
"conference"]:
        SET prompt = "Answer in 50 words:\nQuestion:
{question}\nExcerpts:\n" + JOIN(top_chunks)
    ELSE:
        SET prompt = "Answer in 100 words with bullet
points:\nQuestion: {question}\nExcerpts:\n" + JOIN(top_chunks)

    FOR EACH api_key IN USED_KEYS:
        TRY:
            SET raw_answer = make_gemini_request(prompt, api_key)
            RETURN format_summary(clean_summary(raw_answer))
        EXCEPT:
            ROTATE USED_KEYS
            IF LAST KEY: RAISE "All keys failed"
            WAIT 1 second

FUNCTION format_summary(summary, summary_length="medium"):
    IF summary_length IN ["medium", "long"]:
        RETURN TRIM(summary)
    SET words = SPLIT(summary)
    IF LEN(words) > 100:
        SET summary = JOIN(words[:100]) + "..."
    SET sections = SPLIT(summary ON headings)
    SET formatted = ""
    FOR EACH section IN sections:
        IF MATCH "key: content":
            APPEND "{key}:\n{content}\n" TO formatted WITH bullet
points
        ELSE:
            APPEND section TO formatted
    RETURN TRIM(formatted)
```

rag_utils.py

```
# Import necessary libraries
import PDF processing library
import vector libraries (numpy, faiss)
import embedding model library
import components from llm_utils

# Constants
CHUNK_SIZE = 150 # words
CHUNK_OVERLAP = 25 # words
embedder = load SentenceTransformer model

# Document Processing Functions
function chunk_text(text):
    Split text into words
    Create overlapping chunks of CHUNK_SIZE words with CHUNK_OVERLAP
    Return list of chunks

function process_pdf(pdf_path):
    Open PDF document
    Extract full text from all pages
    Split text into chunks using chunk_text()
    Generate embeddings for all chunks
    Create FAISS vector index
    Add embeddings to index
    Return chunks and index

# Retrieval Functions
function get_top_chunks(query, chunks, index, top_k=5):
    Encode query using the embedder
    Perform vector search with FAISS index
    Return top_k most similar chunks

# RAG Implementation
function answer_with_rag(query, chunks, index, top_k=5):
    Get top_k relevant chunks using get_top_chunks()
    Log debug info

    For each API key in rotation:
        Try:
            Get answer using ask_question() from llm_utils
            Log success
            Return response
        Catch exceptions:
            Log failure
            Rotate to next API key
            If all keys failed:
                Raise exception
            Wait briefly before retrying
```



main.py

```
# Import necessary libraries
import FastAPI and related components
import MongoDB client
import PDF processing libraries
import custom modules (rag_utils, llm_utils)
import file handling and logging

# Configure application
setup FastAPI app
configure logging
setup PDF generation tool
configure CORS middleware

# Constants and Configuration
UPLOAD_DIR = "uploads"
ensure directory exists

# Setup MongoDB connection
connect to MongoDB using connection string
setup database collections for papers, summaries, and chat history

# API Endpoints
@app.post("/upload/")
function upload_pdf(file):
    Save uploaded file to UPLOAD_DIR
    Process PDF using process_pdf() from rag_utils
    Generate initial summary using summarize_with_llm()
    Create unique paper_id
    Save FAISS index to disk
    Store paper metadata in papers_collection
    Store summary in summaries_collection
    Return paper_id, filename, summary and date

@app.post("/summarize/")
function summarize_pdf(file, summary_length):
    Save uploaded file to UPLOAD_DIR
    Process PDF using process_pdf()
    Generate summary of specified length using summarize_with_llm()
    Create unique paper_id
    Save FAISS index to disk
    Store paper metadata in papers_collection
    Store summary with length info in summaries_collection
    Return paper_id and summary

@app.get("/summaries/")
function get_summaries(limit=10):
    Retrieve most recent papers from papers_collection
    Initialize empty result list and tracking set
    For each paper:
        Skip if already seen
        Get latest summary for this paper
        Format summary data with metadata
        Get chat history for this paper
        Add to result list
    Return result list
```

```
@app.post("/chat/")
function chat_with_paper(question, paper_id):
    Validate inputs
    Find paper in database
    Get or reload chunks and index
    Get top relevant chunks using get_top_chunks()
    Generate answer using ask_question()
    Store chat entry in chat_history_collection
    Return answer

@app.get("/history/{paper_id}")
function get_paper_history(paper_id):
    Validate paper_id
    Find paper in database
    Get summary for paper
    Get chat history for paper
    Format response with paper metadata, summary and chat history
    Return formatted response

@app.post("/download-summary/")
function download_summary(request):
    Parse request to get summary text
    Generate HTML content with styling
    Set PDF generation options
    Generate PDF file using pdfkit
    Return file download response

@app.delete("/delete-summary/{summary_id}")
function delete_summary(summary_id):
    Find summary in database
    Delete related chat history
    Delete summary
    Return success message

@app.post("/api/define")
function define_word(request):
    Get word from request
    Check spelling and get correction
    Query dictionary API
    Parse response for definitions
    Return formatted definitions or error message
```



PROJECT OUTCOME

Achievements

• **Developed** :Delivered a working version of the application that demonstrates core features, user flow.

• **Successfully handled summarization of research Paper across domains**

Achieved reliable and context-aware summarization for a wide range of topics including computer science, engineering, and social sciences.

• **Integrated helpful utilities .**

- ❖ Helps researchers, students, and professionals quickly understand key insights, saving time and boosting efficiency.
- ❖ Personalized User Experience : history tracking, saved summaries, and customization options like summary length and voice mode.
- ❖ Enhanced Accessibility : Voice input and text-to-speech features improve usability for differently-abled users and those preferring audio output.
- ❖ Multilingual Document Summarization : Allows uploading papers in any language (e.g., Telugu) and generates summaries in English, enabling cross-language understanding of academic content.
- ❖ Interactive Learning Environment : AI Chat Board supports conversation-based queries, deeper insights, definitions, and explanation of paper content.
- ❖ User Feedback Integration :Feedback system helps gather user input to improve system quality and user satisfaction over time.

Key Challenges

• **Preserving technical accuracy**

Summarizing complex academic language without losing key details.

• **Speed optimization for large PDFs and documents**

Ensuring quick responses and fast loading, even with documents that have a lot of pages.

• **Designing an intuitive yet powerful UI**

Designing a simple, easy-to-use interface while including advanced features like voice-to-text from AI chat bot, and History saving for all users.



CONCLUSION

A fully functional, web-based application has been developed to summarize research papers efficiently. The platform leverages **Large Language Models (LLMs)** and **Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)** techniques in the backend to generate high-quality, context-aware summaries. The frontend is built using **React**, providing a clean, responsive, and user-friendly interface. The system supports various features like adjustable summary length, dark/light mode, an integrated dictionary, chatbot assistance, and user history tracking — making it a powerful tool for students, researchers, and professionals alike.

It efficiently summarizes research papers and provides a user-friendly interface with rich academic support features.

New Skills Learned:

- Implementation of LLMs and Retrieval-Augmented Generation.
- UX design tailored for research-heavy tools.
- Working with frontend-backend integration and secure authentication.
- Managing user data securely with database systems.

Thank you!