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Embeddings and RAG



- RAG stands for Retrieval Augmented Generation and makes great use of the model's ability to generate vector embeddings of text.
- Let's explore this idea with a motivational thought experiment...



- While Google Gemini is a very powerful model, there will be content it doesn't know about.
- For example, Google Gemini probably doesn't know about the vacation policies at a specific company.
- So how could we leverage AI to build a corporate HR assistant?



- What we need is the ability to "augment"
 Gemini by providing the model with extra context when asking a question.
- For example, if we could provide the text about a corporate vacation policy along with our query, then Gemini could read the text and give us a reasonable answer.





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I'm sorry, I can't answer your question about how many weeks off employees of ACME Corp get. I don't have access to internal HR information for specific companies.

However, I can offer some general information about vacation policies in the United States.







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According to the ACME HR vacation policy documents, employees receive 3 weeks of vacation per year, with one additional day per year with the company.





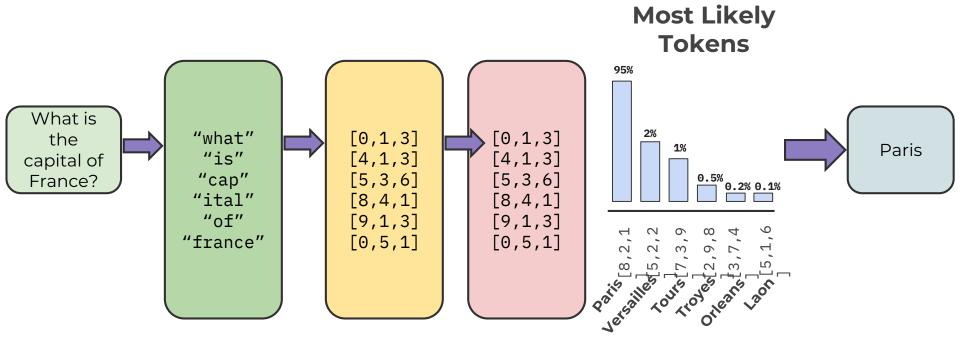
- Now we can see that LLMs can answer any question if they have the correct and appropriate context and documents for an answer, this is "augmented generation" because we augmented the original query with the context of the ACME HR policy documents.
- But how can we retrieve this context?



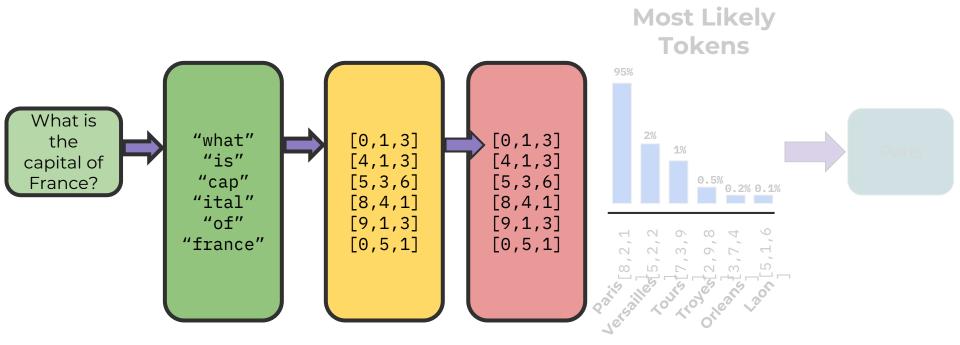


- Recall our models ability to embed text into vectors.
- If we had all our text documents stored as vectors and matched to the original text, we could perform vector similarity searches to find the most relevant documents.









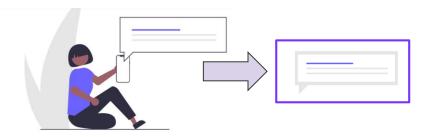






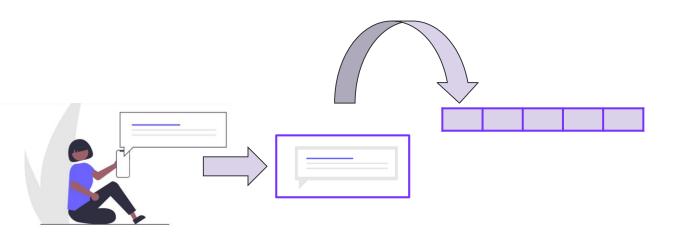






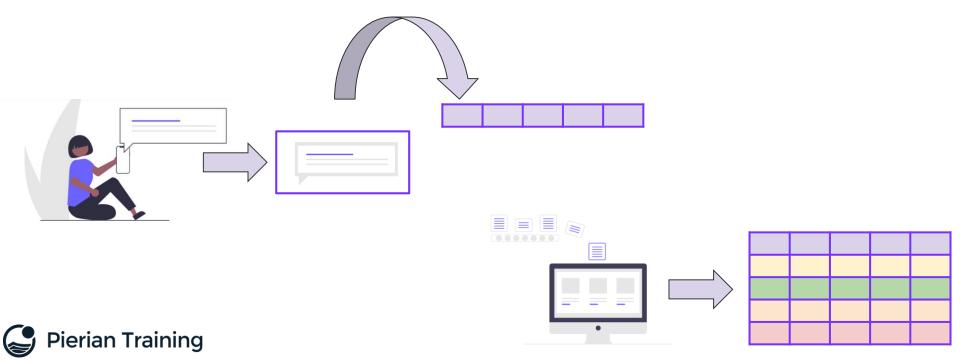




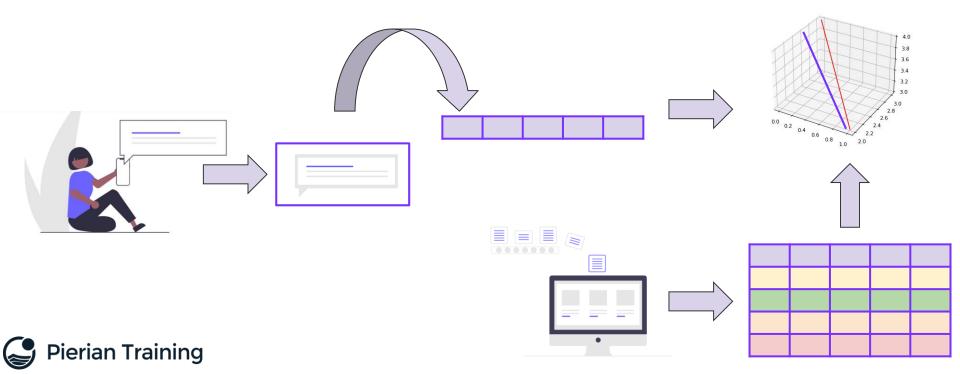




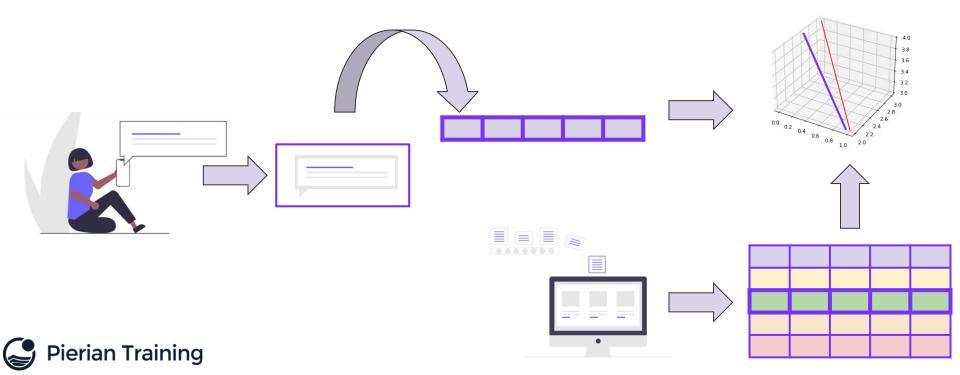




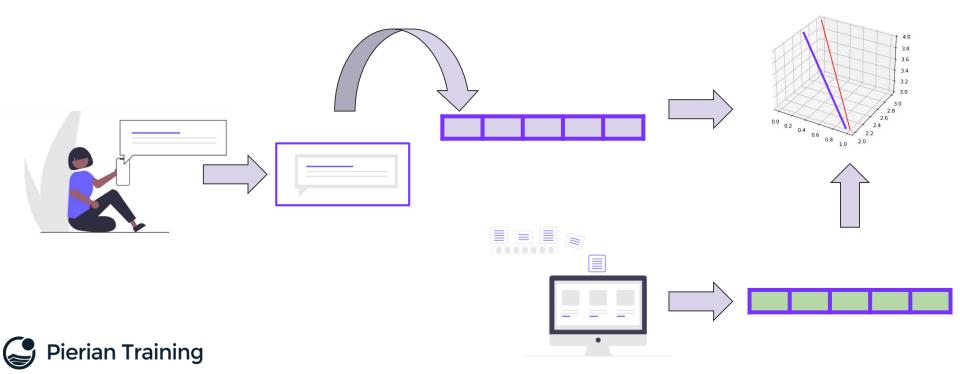




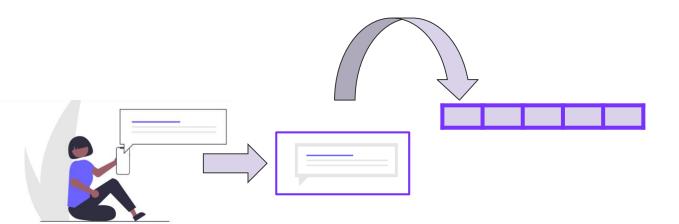


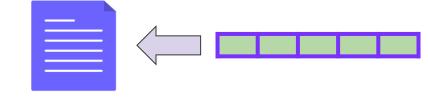




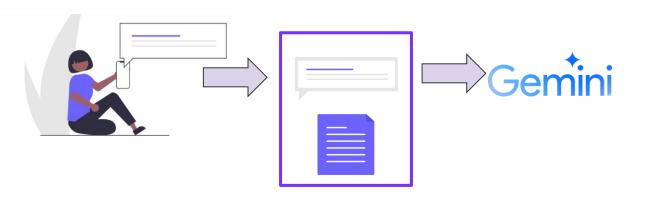






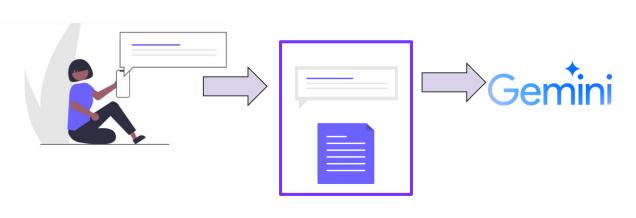












Prompt:

"What can you tell me about vacation policy?"

Context below:

{Insert Document}





RAG Process Steps

- Read in Documents (text, PDF, etc.)
- Load Embedding Model
- Embed Documents as Vectors
- Store Vector Embeddings (Vector Store)
- Embed new query
- Perform Similarity Search
- Augment text generation with original document





RAG Process Steps

- Remember that as long as you can convert a document into a text string, you should be able to then embed that string and link the connection to the original document.
- There exists many libraries specific to a document type (e.g. PyPDF2 for PDF files) you should search for relevant libraries or explore unstructured.io for multiple files.





RAG Process Steps

 Let's explore RAG with Python in the next lecture!



RAG Part One

RAG Part Two