Aura Guide: An Al Aura-Soma Chatbot for Velana.net

An innovative AI chatbot powered by Retrieval-Augmented Generation, specifically designed to offer intelligent and accurate guidance on

Aura-Soma for Velana.net



Project Overview & Hypothesis



This project aimed to develop an Al Aura-Soma Chatbot for Velana.net, focusing on high-fidelity user assistance.

My Hypothesis

By creating a specialized knowledge base from structured data and enriching it with unstructured sources (like video transcripts), we could build a RAG-based Chatbot capable of answering user questions with **over 90% semantic accuracy**.

Result: Hypothesis Strongly Supported

The RAG-based Chatbot successfully demonstrated high semantic accuracy, validating our approach.

Interactive Project Architecture

1. RAG & LLM Architecture

This diagram illustrates the main information flow. The bot ingests data, stores it in a searchable database, retrieves relevant information based on a user's query, and uses an LLM to generate a final, context-aware response.



Data Sources

JSON files and YouTube video transcripts form the knowledge base.



Pinecone DB

A vector database where text is stored as numerical embeddings for fast similarity search.



Retrieval

The user's query is used to find the most relevant text chunks from Pinecone.



LLM + Prompt

LLM: gpt-3.5-turbo-0125. Embedding: text-embedding-3-large. The retrieved context and query are sent with a system prompt for generation.

2. Agent & Tool Logic

To improve accuracy, a routing system classifies each query and selects a specialized tool. Each tool uses specific metadata filters to narrow down the search, ensuring the LLM receives highly relevant context.



User Query

Router

An LLM call that classifies the query's intent (e.g., pricing, product).



Specialized Tools

- ProductTool Filters for topic:"products"
- PricingTool Filters for topic:"pricing"
- FAQTool Filters for general topics
- MeetAuraSomaTool Filters for doc: "transcript"
- BookingRedirectTool Appends booking link

The initial question from the user.

Al Router

Classifies intent and routes

PricingTool

Provides pricing details



User Query

Incoming question from user

ProductTool

Handles product information

FAQ & Redirect

FAQ, bookings, or external redirects

3. Evaluation & Deployment

A robust evaluation loop ensures quality control by automatically comparing bot responses to a 'golden dataset'. The system is designed for deployment as a standalone Streamlit application.

Evaluation Loop



Bot Response

The Al generates a response to the user query.

Compare to Golden Dataset

The bot's response is automatically compared against a set of predefined ideal responses.

Evaluator LLM (GPT-40)

A powerful LLM acts as an impartial judge to score the accuracy and relevance of the bot's output.

Log Score to LangSmith

Evaluation scores and metrics are logged for continuous monitoring and improvement.

App Structure

User Interface

The UI is embedded on the live Velana website, which is hosted on the Tilda platform.

Streamlit App

This component handles the user interface, manages application state, and makes calls to the RAG logic.

RAG Bot Logic



The core Retrieval-Augmented Generation system processes queries and synthesizes responses.

Process & Challenges

Data Enrichment

To add depth, I transcribed YouTube videos using OpenAI's Whisper API. A unique cleaning technique grouped text by speaker, ensuring contextual coherence for the RAG system.

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Clearing Untracked File Cache

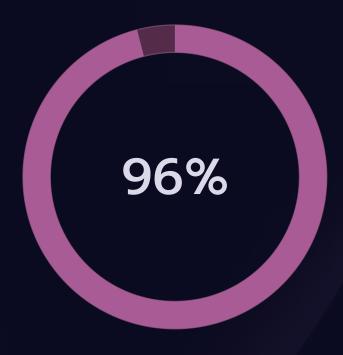
A major challenge arose when untracked files in my local Git cache caused sync conflicts with GitHub. Resolving this required clearing the Git cache to remove these ghost files, which was a critical step to ensure a clean and successful deployment.

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Initial Evaluator Strictness

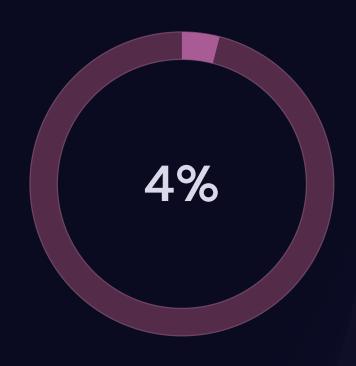
Initially, the **gpt-4o** evaluator did not score for semantic accuracy as expected, often giving low scores to answers that were correct. The issue was its literal interpretation. I engineered a more robust, hybrid system with a detailed rubric and a keyword-matching fallback to align the Al's judgment more closely with human assessment.

Results & Key Insights



Semantic Accuracy

The bot achieved a high score, confirming our hypothesis.



Margin for Improvement

Identified areas for further refinement in the evaluation process.



Semantic Accuracy

Margin

Final score based on a hybrid of LLM evaluation and keyword matching.



Hypothesis Confirmed

The bot achieved a **96% semantic accuracy score**, strongly supporting my initial hypothesis.



Surprising Insight

Unstructured data from YouTube transcripts was incredibly effective, providing the bot with a more authentic, philosophical voice that structured data lacked.



Main Learning: Evaluation is Key

A robust, automated evaluation pipeline is the most critical component for building a reliable and trustworthy AI system.



Future Work

The next step is a beta launch to test the bot against unpredictable, real-world user queries and use that data to further improve its knowledge and accuracy.

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