Intelligent Email Agent with n8n + OpenAI + Pinecone + Gmail

Overview

This project implements an AI-powered email automation and retrieval system using n8n, OpenAI, Pinecone, and Gmail.

The setup allows an intelligent agent to send context-aware, personalized emails while referencing prior communication or stored contact details from a **vector database**.

The workflow integrates multiple components:

- **n8n** orchestrates the pipeline.
- OpenAI handles email generation and embeddings.
- **Pinecone** stores and retrieves email-related vectors for memory and personalization.
- **Gmail** delivers the final AI-generated messages.

Workflow Architecture

1. Mails to Pinecone (Data Preparation)

- Retrieves documents or email archives from Google Docs.
- Splits content into small chunks (using the Recursive Character Text Splitter).
- Generates OpenAI embeddings for each chunk.
- Inserts them into a **Pinecone Vector Store** (emailn8n index, n8nemails namespace) for future retrieval.

2. Mail Agent to Pinecone (Main Chat + Retrieval Workflow)

- **Trigger:** Starts when a chat message is received in n8n.
- AI Agent: The agent's role is to compose and send polished, accurate, and personalized emails.
- Retrieval: Uses the Pinecone Vector Store as a tool (Vectorstore_mails) to fetch recipient or context data.
- Composing: Generates the subject, greeting, and message body dynamically with the OpenAI GPT-40 model.
- Email Sending: Calls a secondary workflow (Send Emails) to deliver the message through Gmail.

3. Send Emails (Sub-Workflow)

- Executes when triggered by the main workflow.
- Uses **OpenAI GPT-40** to finalize the email content and formatting.
- Sends the email automatically using the **Gmail API**.

Key Features

- **Retrieval-Augmented Emailing:** The agent can reference prior data or contact info from Pinecone to craft contextually relevant messages.
- **Dynamic Personalization:** Names and greetings are adapted automatically based on the retrieved data.
- **Multi-workflow Design:** Separation of data ingestion, retrieval, and sending for modular scalability.
- **Human-like Communication:** Emails maintain natural tone, structure, and clarity signed as "Best regards, Shub."

Tech Stack

- **n8n** Automation and orchestration platform
- OpenAI GPT-40 Natural language generation and embedding model
- **Pinecone** Vector database for semantic retrieval
- Google Docs API Source of contact or email text data
- Gmail API For sending messages through OAuth2 authentication

Use Cases

- Automated outreach or follow-up systems
- Customer-support email assistants
- CRM-linked smart communication bots
- Internal corporate communication with stored memory context

Outcome

The Mail Agent to Pinecone workflow transforms n8n into an intelligent, retrieval-based communication system.

By combining LLM reasoning, vector retrieval, and automation, it enables fully automated

yet human-quality email correspondence — useful for any workflow requiring consistent, personalized communication at scale.