

# SEMINAR REPORT

## CHATBOT LLM

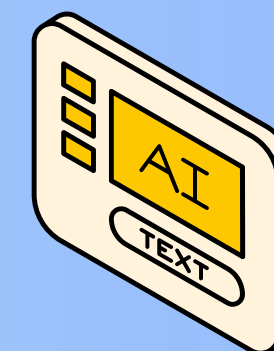
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# I. Introduction

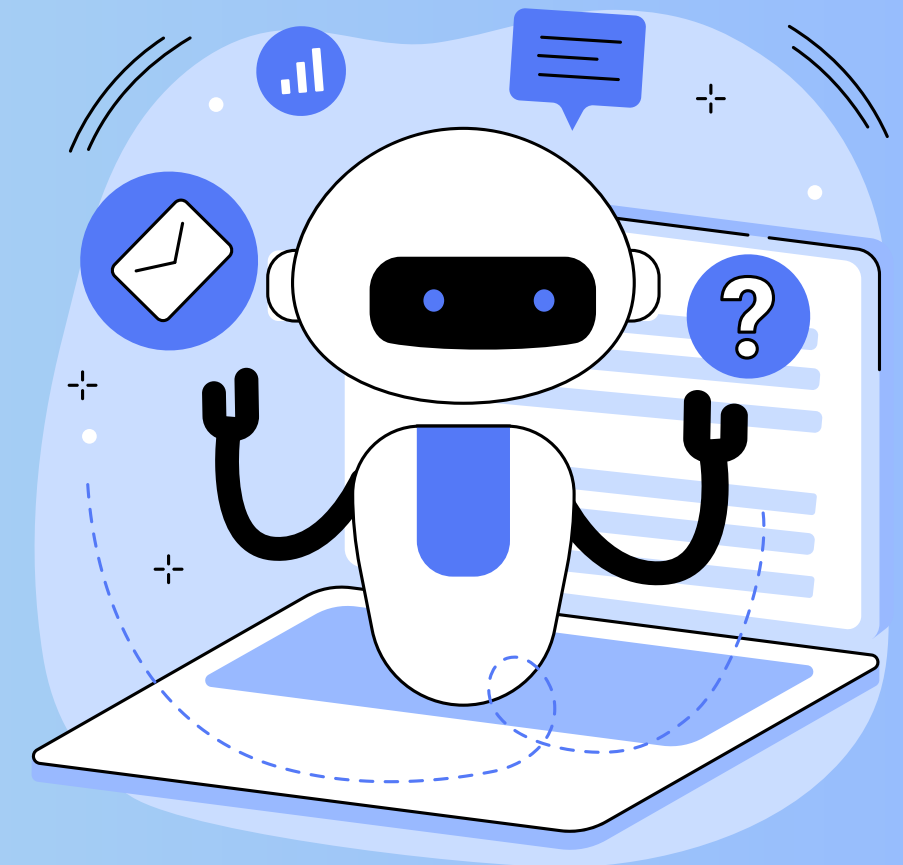
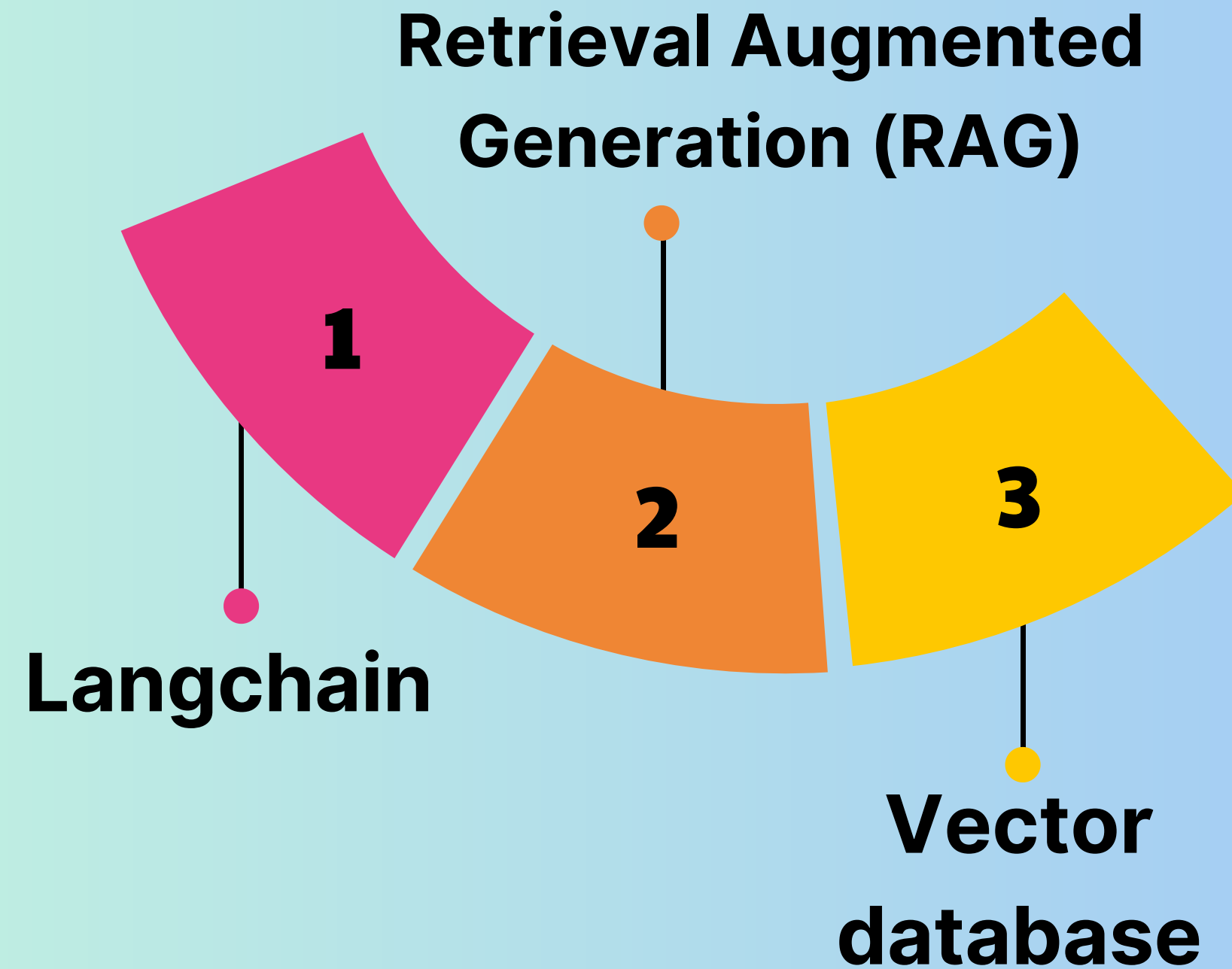
Current chatbots **have not yet** effectively addressed questions about the Youth Union.

The Youth Union needs a **modern tool** to **support quick** and **effective communication** with members.

**The Youth Union Chatbot** was developed to help students **access information** and participate in Youth Union activities **more conveniently**.



## II. Theoretical Basis



# 1. Langchain

LangChain is a **framework** for developing applications powered by language models.

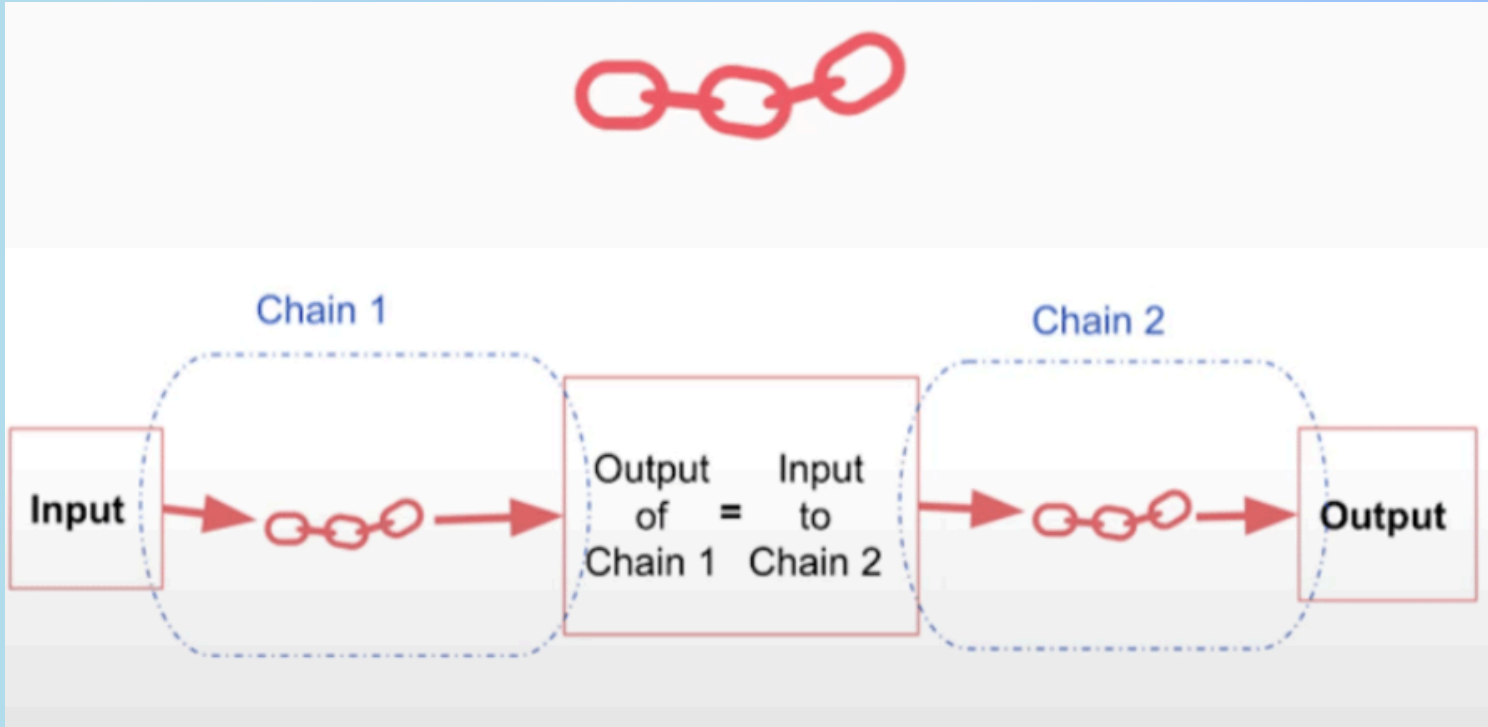


Figure 1: Simple Sequential Chain



Figure 2: Langchain’s components

## 2. Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG)

**RAG** is a method that combines two important capabilities: **retrieval** and **generation**.

Enhances language model generation by incorporating external knowledge, **improving the accuracy & flexibility** of responses, **overcome** the problem of hallucinations

RAG significantly enhances LLM accuracy [1].

Model	mode	BCSC	Ophtho Questions	Mean
GPT-4-turbo	ZRS	80.38	77.69	79.03
	ZRS-CoT	81.54 (1.16↑)	79.62 (1.93↑)	80.58 (1.55↑)
	RAG	91.92 (11.54↑)	85.38 (7.69↑)	88.65 (9.62↑)
Llama-3-70B-Q4	ZRS	64.62	50.38	57.50
	ZRS-CoT	70.77 (6.15↑)	65.77 (15.39↑)	68.27 (10.77↑)
	RAG	84.62 (20.0↑)	78.08 (27.7↑)	81.35 (23.85↑)
Gemma-2-27B-Q4	ZRS	64.23	60.0	62.12
	ZRS-CoT	61.54 (-2.69↓)	56.92 (-3.08↓)	59.23 (-2.89↓)
	RAG	83.46 (19.23↑)	75.0 (15.0↑)	79.23 (17.11↑)
Mixtral-8x7B-Q4	ZRS	57.69	48.08	52.89
	ZRS-CoT	53.85 (-3.84↓)	52.69 (4.61↑)	53.27 (0.385↑)
	RAG	78.46 (20.77↑)	71.54 (23.46↑)	75.00 (22.11↑)
Antanki et al. 2023 [2] (GPT-4, temperature=0.3)		ZSR	75.8	70.8
				71.7

**Table 1:** Compare accuracy without and with RAG [1]

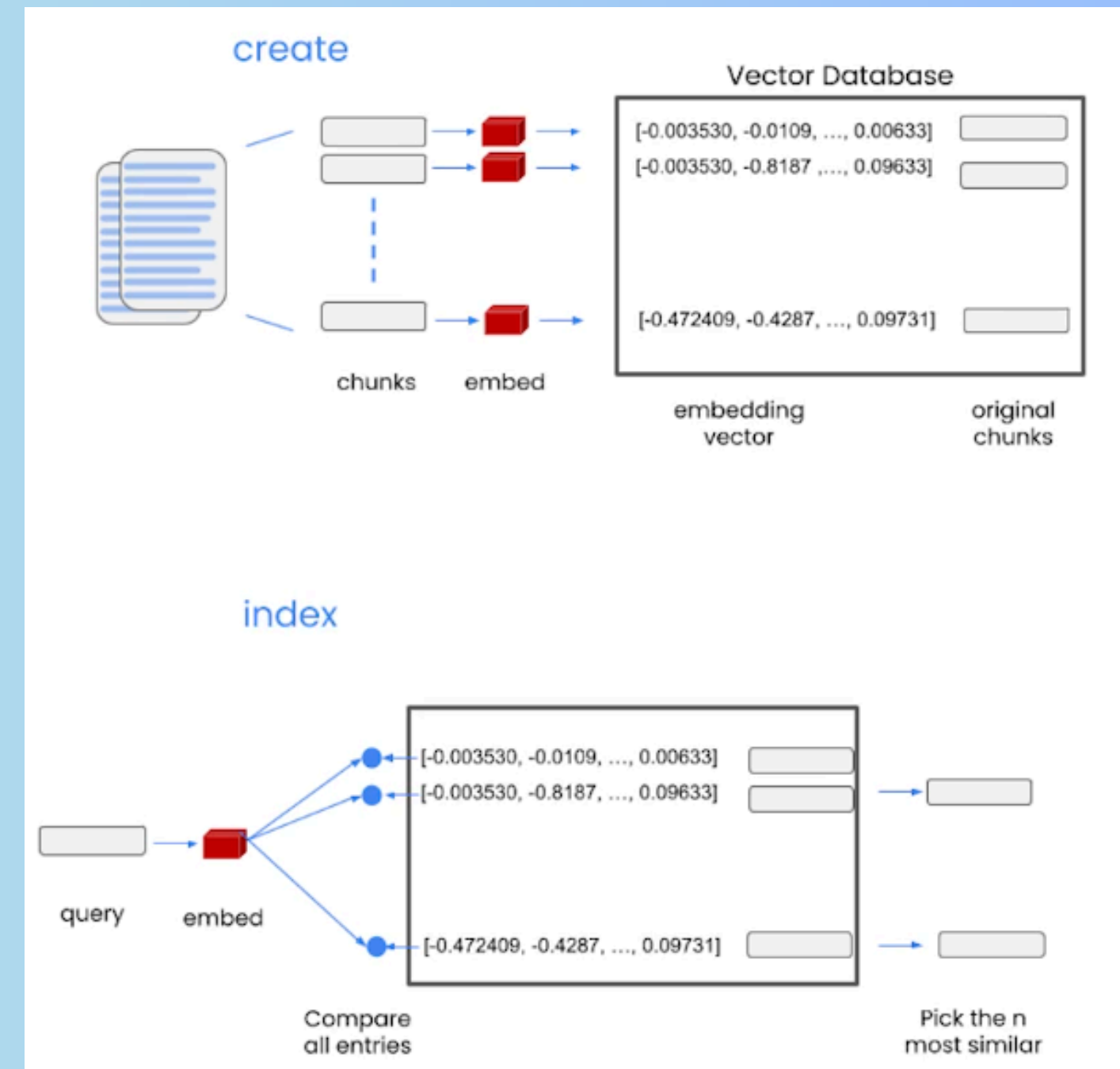
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[1] Nguyen, Q., Nguyen, D.-A., Dang, K., Liu, S., Nguyen, K., Wang, S. Y., Woof, W., Thomas, P., Patel, P. J., Balaskas, K., Thygesen, J. H., Wu, H., & Pontikos, N. (2024). Advancing Question-Answering in Ophthalmology with Retrieval Augmented Generations (RAG): Benchmarking Open-source and Proprietary Large Language Models. *medRxiv*, 2024-11. <https://doi.org/10.1101/2024.11.18.24317510>



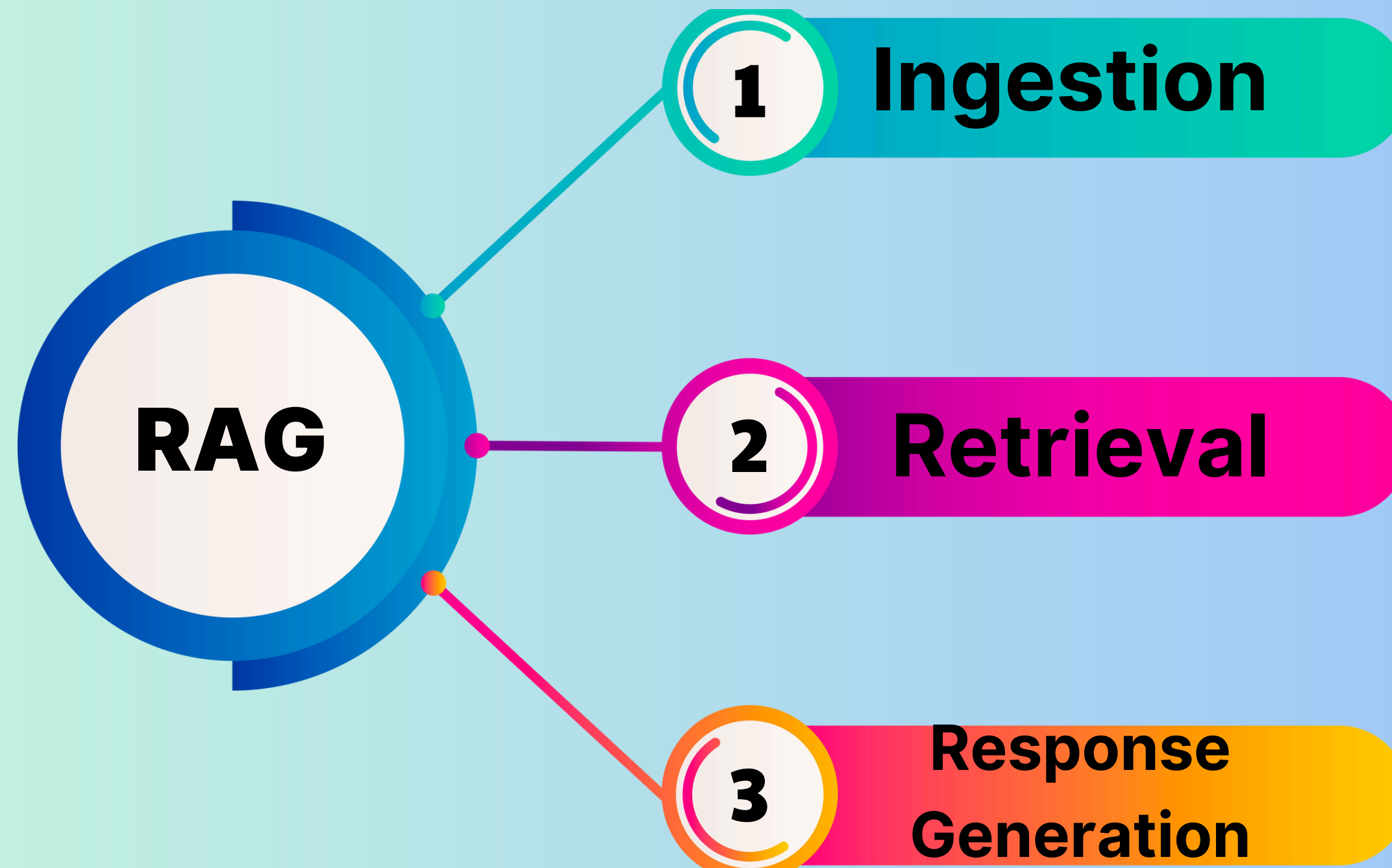
### 3. Vector Database

- **Stores & manages data** in the form of multi-dimensional vectors, usually **embedding**.
- Each data point (*e.g. paragraph, document*) is converted into a vector, quickly searching for vectors with semantic similarity based on distance like **cosine similarity** or **Euclidean distance**



**Figure 3:** Vector Databases's workflow

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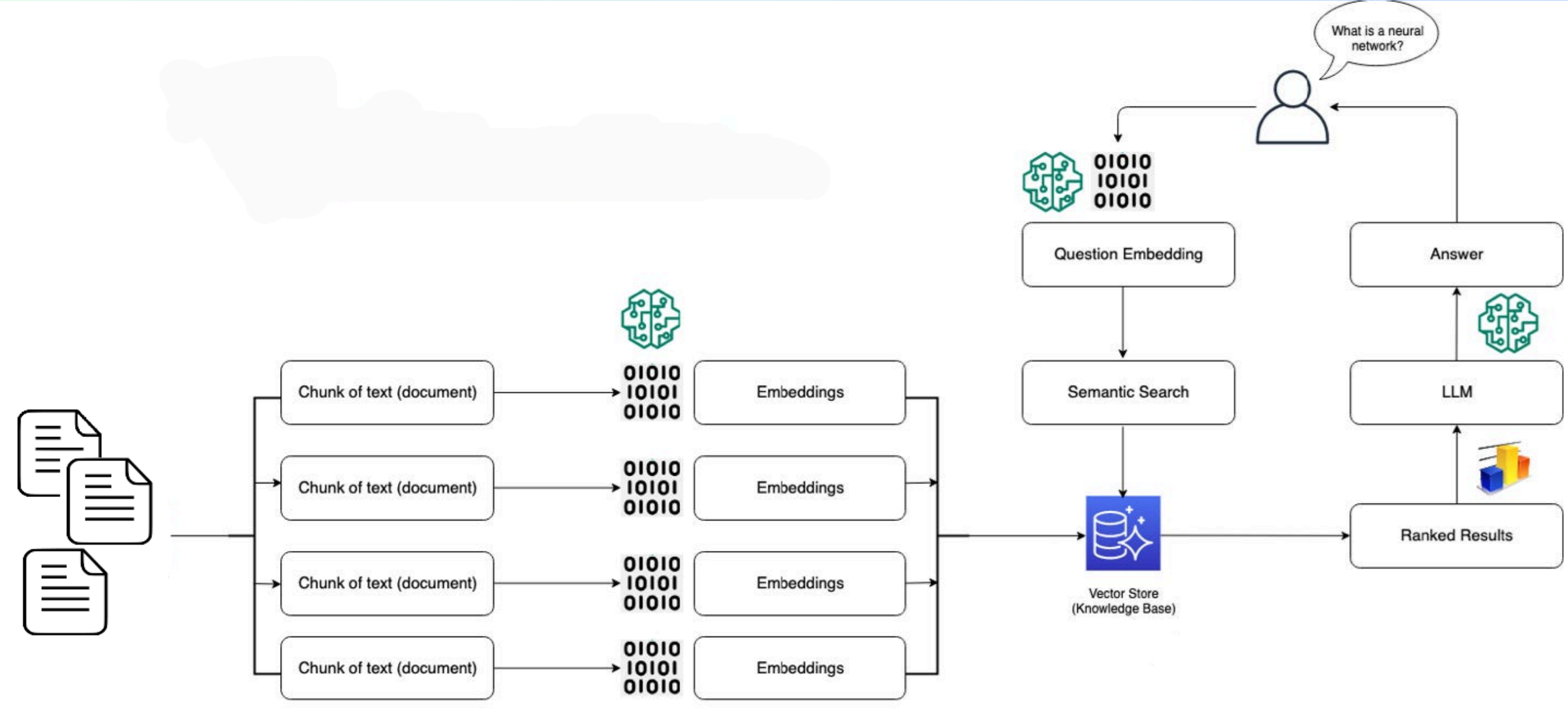


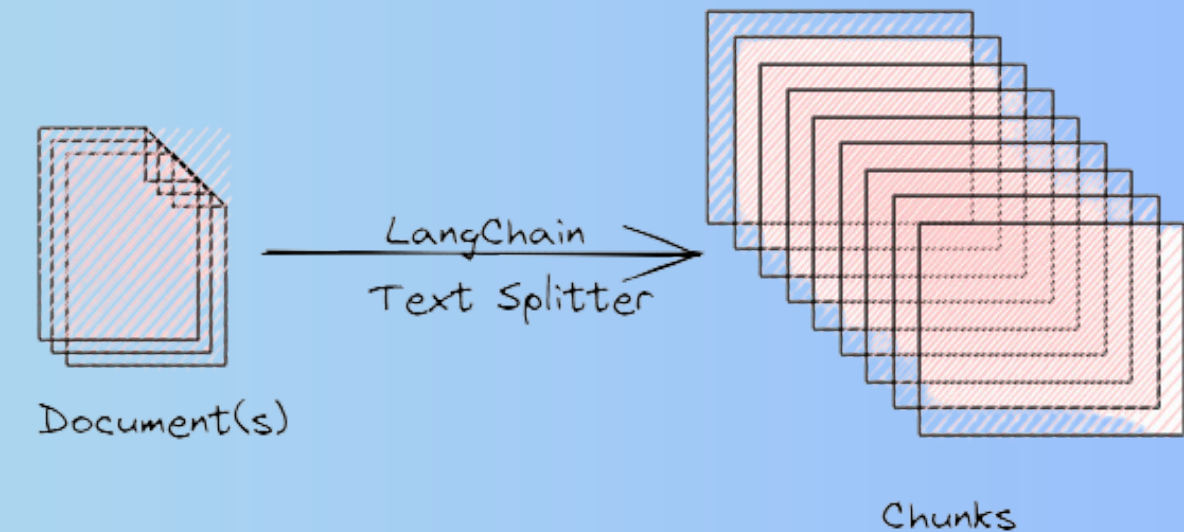
Figure 4: Our workflow

# 1. Ingestion

## Collect data & Chunking with Langchain

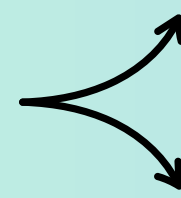
Use **.docx** data containing documents about the Youth Union, student handbooks, information about President Ho Chi Minh from official websites.

(ex: <https://doanthanhvien.vn/tai-lieu>)



- Criteria:
- Text only;
  - Paragraphs on a page & use headings;
  - Use special characters to separate pages (ex: “###”).

### Recursive Character Text Splitter



Split text by character, making sure each paragraph is less than a certain length.

Useful for documents with natural paragraph / sentence breaks.

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## Embeddings & Vector Database

**Chunks** are **encoded** into **embedding vectors** using modern models then stored in a **vector database**.

**Milvus** stands out as the most **comprehensive** solution among the databases evaluated, **meeting all the essential criteria** and **outperforming** other open-source options [2].

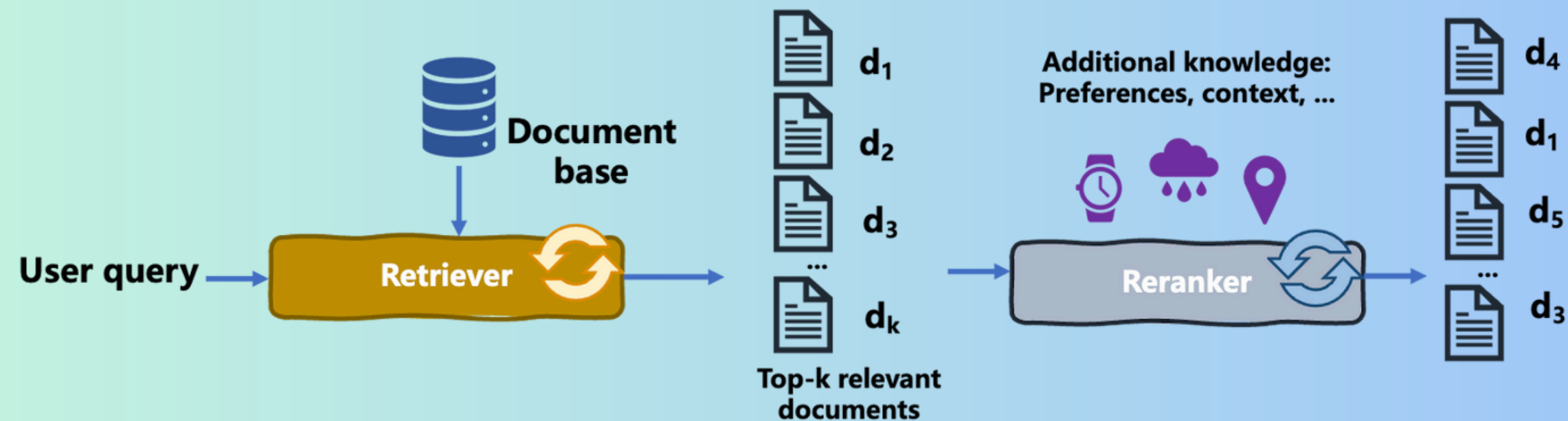
Database	Multiple Index Type	Billion-Scale	Hybrid Search	Cloud-Native
Weaviate	✗	✗	✓	✓
Faiss	✓	✗	✗	✗
Chroma	✗	✗	✓	✓
Qdrant	✗	✓	✓	✓
Milvus	✓	✓	✓	✓

**Table 2:** Comparison of Various Vector Databases [2]

[2] Wang, X., Wang, Z., Gao, X., Zhang, F., Wu, Y., Xu, Z., Shi, T., Wang, Z., Li, S., Qian, Q., Yin, R., Lv, C., Zheng, X., & Huang, X. J. (2024). Searching for best practices in retrieval-augmented generation. In *Proceedings of the 2024 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing*, (pp. 17716–17736), Miami, Florida, USA: Association for Computational Linguistics.

## 2. Retrieval

Retrieval is a **core component** of the RAG system, responsible for **retrieving relevant information** from large databases, acting as the **chatbot's "external memory"**.

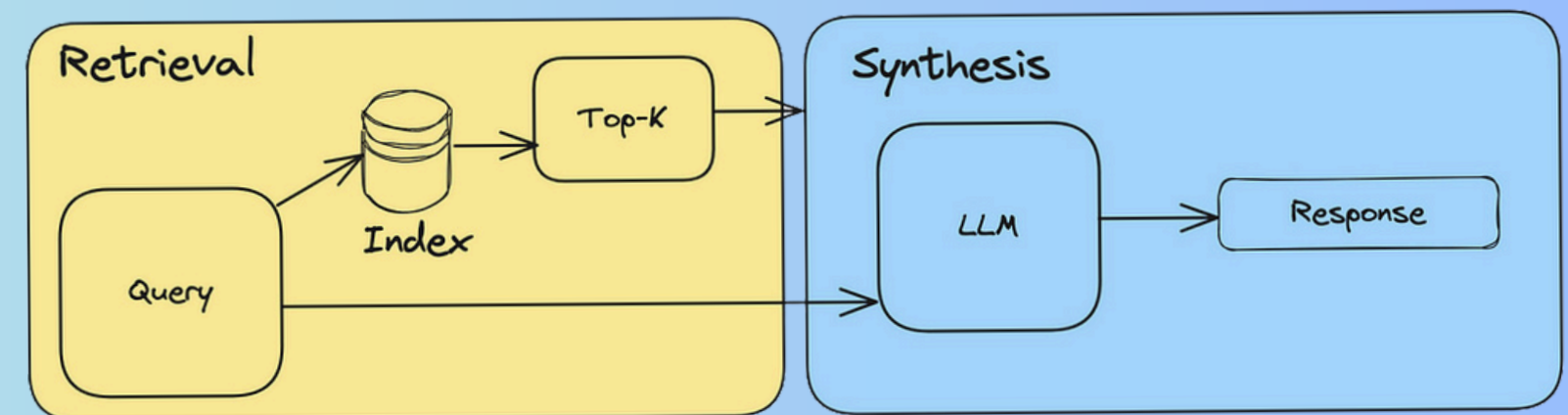


**Figure 5:** The retrieve & rerank pipeline

### 3. Response Generation

**Generates user responses** by combining **retrieved information** with the model's **pre-trained knowledge**. This ensures **coherent, contextual, conversational** responses, and **avoids negativity**.

**Strategic prompt design**, such as placing important information at the beginning or end of an **input sequence**, enhances the **system efficiency** [3].



**Figure 6:** Response Generation

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# IV. Challenges & Future Works

## Challenges

- Data processing still needs to be done manually.
- Chunk size.
- Ability to filter negative questions.
- Need to optimize RAG.

## Future Works

- Advanced technology.
- Integrating UI.
- Optimize RAG.



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