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What Is RAG: - RAG stands for Retrieval-Augmented Generation. It's an AI approach that makes large language models (LLMs) smarter, more accurate, and more reliable by letting them look things up before answering.

What It does:

RAG retrieves relevant information from a knowledge base and includes it in the prompt given to the LLM.

How is it relevant with this project?

Here we were initially doing a search on large document base but then later we dropped the idea of RAG and we are not using it.

How RAG works:

1. Retrieval Phase:

Function used : search_relevant_context(query, max_docs=5)

Process:

- 1. Takes the user's medical query.
- 2. Converts it into an embedding using the same MedEmbed model used for documents.
- 3. Searches the persistent ChromaDB collection for the most similar stored chunk embeddings.
- 4. Returns the top matching chunks along with their metadata (file name, page, etc.).
- 5. If ChromaDB isn't available, uses a medical keyword-based fallback search.

2. Augmentation Phase

The returned chunks are not directly used in this code to prompt an LLM, but in a complete RAG system, these chunks would be inserted into the LLM's prompt alongside the question.

Summary of how it works here

- This class handles the "R" (Retrieve) part of RAG completely.
- The "A" (Augment) step is partially done you get structured results ready to insert into a prompt.
- The "G" (Generate) step would be done by another component that calls an LLM with the retrieved text