Blueprints: AI Knowledge Management System & AI Personal Finance Assistant (2025ready)

This document provides **production-grade blueprints** for two projects blending **core AI/ML** with **full-stack** development. Each section includes: - System architecture (with diagrams) - Data model / database schema - ML model choices & training/evaluation pipelines - API design (endpoints, request/response, auth) - Infra/DevOps, observability, security & compliance - Testing strategy & rollout plan

Suggested baseline stacks: **Next.js + Tailwind**, **FastAPI** (Python) or **Node.js/Express**, **PostgreSQL**, **Redis**, **S3-compatible object storage**, **vector DB** (**Pinecone/Weaviate/Milvus**), **Docker + Kubernetes**, **OpenTelemetry**, **GitHub Actions**.

1) AI-Powered Knowledge Management System (RAG + Collaboration)

1.1 Product scope

- Upload & ingest PDFs, DOCX, HTML, audio/video (ASR), and websites.
- Automatic **chunking** → **embedding** → **indexing** in a vector DB.
- **Semantic search** + **RAG chat** with source citations & page anchors.
- Auto-tagging/topic extraction, custom taxonomies, collection/workspace management.
- Access control: orgs, workspaces, roles (admin, member, guest).
- Analytics: search quality, doc coverage, latency, usage.

1.2 High-level architecture

```
flowchart LR
  subgraph Client
    A[Next.js Web App]
  subgraph Edge
    CDN[CDN/Edge Cache]
  end
  subgraph Backend
    B[API Gateway]
    C[Auth Service (OIDC/JWT)]
    D[Ingestion Service]
    E[Processing Queue]
    F[Embeddings Service]
    G[RAG/Chat Service]
    H[Search Service]
    I[Admin/Analytics Service]
  subgraph Data
```

```
J[(PostgreSQL)]
  K[(Object Store S3)]
  L[(Vector DB)]
  M[(Redis Cache)]
 N[(Elasticsearch/Opensearch)]
A-->CDN-->B
B-->C
B-->D
D-->K
D-->E
E-->F
F-->L
B-->H-->L
H-->N
B-->G
G-->L
G-->J
B-->I
I-->J
B-->J
B-->M
```

1.3 Data model (ERD)

```
erDiagram
 USER ||--o{ MEMBERSHIP : has
 ORG ||--o{ WORKSPACE : has
 WORKSPACE ||--o{ DOCUMENT : contains
 DOCUMENT ||--o{ CHUNK : split_into
 DOCUMENT ||--o{ FILEVERSION : versions
 CHUNK ||--|| EMBEDDING : represented_by
 SEARCHQUERY ||--o{ SEARCHRESULT : yields
 CONVERSATION ||--o\{ MESSAGE : has
 MESSAGE ||--o{ CITATION : cites
 USER {
   uuid id PK
    text email
    text name
    text auth_provider
    jsonb profile
    timestamptz created_at
 }
 ORG {
   uuid id PK
   text name
    timestamptz created_at
 }
 WORKSPACE {
```

```
uuid id PK
  uuid org_id FK
  text name
  jsonb settings
MEMBERSHIP {
 uuid id PK
 uuid user_id FK
 uuid org_id FK
  text role // owner|admin|member|guest
}
DOCUMENT {
 uuid id PK
 uuid workspace_id FK
  text title
  text source_type // pdf,docx,url,audio,video
  text storage_key // S3 key
  jsonb metadata // author, language, etc.
  timestamptz created_at
  timestamptz indexed_at
}
FILEVERSION {
  uuid id PK
  uuid document_id FK
  int version
  text storage_key
  text checksum
  timestamptz uploaded_at
CHUNK {
 uuid id PK
 uuid document_id FK
  int chunk_index
  text content
  int token_count
  jsonb meta // page, section, headings
}
EMBEDDING {
 uuid id PK
 uuid chunk_id FK
 vector(1536) vec // DB-specific vector type
  text model_name
}
SEARCHQUERY {
  uuid id PK
  uuid user_id FK
  text query
  jsonb filters
  timestamptz created_at
}
SEARCHRESULT {
```

```
uuid id PK
  uuid searchquery_id FK
  uuid chunk id FK
  float score
CONVERSATION {
  uuid id PK
  uuid workspace id FK
  uuid user_id FK
  jsonb system_prompt
  timestamptz created_at
}
MESSAGE {
  uuid id PK
  uuid conversation_id FK
  text role // user|assistant|system
  text content
  jsonb tool_calls
  timestamptz created_at
}
CITATION {
  uuid id PK
  uuid message_id FK
  uuid document_id FK
  int page
  float score
  text snippet
}
```

1.4 ML components

- **Text chunking:** recursive character splitter by headings/page boundaries (target 300–800 tokens).
- **Embeddings:** [text-embedding-3-large] or [bge-large] (1024–1536 dims). Store in vector DB with IVF/HNSW index; cosine similarity.
- **Reranking (optional):** Cross-encoder (e.g., cross-encoder/ms-marco-MiniLM-L-6-v2).
- **Summarization/RAG generation:** LLM (Llama 3.x, Mixtral, or GPT-4o-mini) with **structured citations** and **grounding checks**.
- **Auto-tagging/topic extraction:** Zero-shot or weakly-supervised classifier using embeddings + keyword extraction (YAKE/KeyBERT) + LLM refinement.
- ASR for audio/video: Whisper-medium/large; diarization with Pyannote.
- Evaluation:
- **Retrieval:** nDCG@k, Recall@k using labeled query–passage pairs.
- **RAG QA:** Faithfulness, answer relevancy (LLM-as-judge) + human spot-checks.
- Latency SLOs: P50 < 1.5s for search, P95 < 5s for chat.

1.5 Pipelines

• Ingestion: Upload → Virus scan → OCR (Tesseract) → Chunk → Embed → Upsert (idempotent; versioned).

- Search: Query → Embed → ANN retrieve top-k → (optional rerank) → return chunks + highlights.
- Chat (RAG): User prompt → Search top-k → Build context (de-dup by doc) → LLM → citations → safety/redaction.
- Feedback loop: Thumbs up/down stored to tune chunking and reranker.

1.6 API design (key endpoints)

Auth - POST /auth/login (OIDC code exchange) → JWT access + refresh.

Search & RAG - POST /search { query, workspace_id, filters?, k? } → [{chunk_id,
doc_id, score, snippet, page}] - POST /chat { conversation_id?, prompt,
workspace_id } → stream SSE/WS {token, citations[]}

Taxonomy/Tags - POST /workspaces/{id}/tags {name, color?} - POST /documents/{id}/
tags {tag_ids: []}

Analytics - GET /analytics/usage (org/workspace scoped) - GET /analytics/search (top queries, zero-hit queries)

Errors: JSON problem details (RFC 7807).

1.7 Deployment & infra

- Containers: Separate deploy units per service; autoscale RAG/embedding workers.
- Queues: RabbitMQ/SQS for ingestion + async jobs.
- Storage: S3 with lifecycle + Glacier; signed URLs on download.
- **Observability:** OpenTelemetry → Tempo/Jaeger (traces), Prometheus (metrics), Loki (logs), Grafana dashboards.
- Feature flags: ConfigCat/Unleash.

1.8 Security & compliance

- Row-level security in Postgres (workspace/org scoping).
- KMS-managed encryption at rest; TLS in transit; secrets via Vault/SSM.
- PII redaction in RAG outputs (NER-based + rule-based).
- Access logs, audit trails (who viewed what doc/chunk).

1.9 Testing & QA

- Unit: chunkers, embedding adapters, LLM prompt functions.
- Integration: end-to-end ingestion (synthetic docs).
- Load: k6 for search/chat throughput.
- Eval harness: golden queries for retrieval & RAG.

1.10 Milestone roadmap (suggested)

- 1. M1: PDF ingestion \rightarrow chunks \rightarrow embeddings \rightarrow semantic search.
- 2. M2: RAG chat with citations.
- 3. M3: Auto-tagging + analytics.
- 4. M4: Multi-tenant, RBAC, audit.
- 5. M5: ASR, web page crawler, reranking.

2) AI Personal Finance Assistant (Mobile + Backend + ML)

2.1 Product scope

- Connect bank accounts (Plaid/Salt Edge) and import transactions.
- Auto-categorize expenses; merchant normalization.
- Cashflow forecasting & bill prediction; budget tracking.
- Fraud/anomaly alerts; personalized savings goals & tips.
- Cross-platform mobile app (React Native/Flutter) + web dashboard (Next.js).

2.2 High-level architecture

```
flowchart LR
  A[Mobile App / Web]-->B[API Gateway]
  B-->C[Auth Service]
  B-->D[Bank Link Service]
  B-->E[Transaction Service]
  B-->F[ML Service]
  B-->G[Notification Service]
  B-->H[Budget/Goals Service]
  B-->I[Analytics Service]
  subgraph Data
    J[(PostgreSQL)]
    K[(Object Store)]
    L[(Feature Store)]
    M[(Redis Cache)]
    N[(Event Bus/Queue)]
  end
  D-->N
  E-->J
  F-->L
  F-->J
  G-->J
  I-->J
  B-->M
```

2.3 Data model (ERD)

```
erDiagram

USER ||--o{ ACCOUNT : owns
```

```
ACCOUNT ||--o{ TRANSACTION : has
USER ||--o{ BUDGET : sets
USER ||--o{ GOAL : defines
TRANSACTION ||--o{ ALERT : triggers
USER {
 uuid id PK
  text email
  text name
  text country
  text kyc_status
  timestamptz created_at
ACCOUNT {
 uuid id PK
  uuid user_id FK
  text provider // plaid, saltedge, mock
  text external_id
  text name
  text type // checking, savings, credit, loan
  numeric balance
  text currency
  timestamptz linked_at
TRANSACTION {
 uuid id PK
 uuid account_id FK
  timestamptz posted_at
  text description
  text merchant_raw
 numeric amount // negative: debit, positive: credit
  text currency
  text category_pred
  float category_conf
  text category_final
  jsonb enrichment // location, mcc, geo
  text status // pending, posted
  text hash // idempotency
}
CATEGORY {
 uuid id PK
  text name
  text parent_id FK nullable
}
BUDGET {
 uuid id PK
 uuid user_id FK
 uuid category_id FK
 numeric monthly_limit
  timestamptz start_month
}
```

```
GOAL {
  uuid id PK
  uuid user id FK
  text name
  numeric target_amount
  numeric current_amount
  timestamptz target date
}
ALERT {
  uuid id PK
  uuid transaction id FK
  text type // fraud, overspend, unusual
  text message
  bool read
  timestamptz created_at
}
```

2.4 ML components

- Expense categorization:
- Baseline: linear/LightGBM with features (n-grams of description, merchant embeddings, MCC, amount bins, day-of-week).
- Advanced: Transformer text encoder (hf: MiniLM / distilbert) + tabular features → shallow classifier / logistic head.
- Online learning with user corrections → label store; active learning sampling.
- **Merchant normalization:** nearest-neighbor over merchant embeddings + rules (regex, stopwords).
- · Cashflow & bill prediction:
- Identify recurring patterns via periodogram + sequence alignment; forecast via Prophet or TFT/LSTM.
- Per-user models with hierarchical fallback (global \rightarrow segment \rightarrow user).
- **Fraud/anomaly detection:** Isolation Forest/LOF on transaction features; threshold by account type.
- Recommendation engine: bandit (LinUCB/Thompson) for tips/offers.
- **Evaluation:** macro-F1 for categorization; MAE/MAPE for cashflow; precision@k for alerts; A/B for tips.

2.5 Feature/label pipelines

- Ingestion: Webhooks from provider → TransactionService upserts; dedupe by hash.
 Feature store: Feast-like schema with merchant_embedding, amount_norm, dow, rolling_30d_spend, budget_utilization.
- **Training loop:** nightly batch (Spark/SQL) + periodic online updates from user feedback.
- **Model registry:** MLflow; versioned artifacts; canary deploy via shadow predictions.

2.6 API design (key endpoints)

```
Auth & users - POST /auth/login → tokens - GET /me → profile, KYC status

Bank linking - POST /bank/link/token → provider link token - POST /bank/link/exchange 
[public_token] → accounts - GET /accounts → list
```

Forecast & alerts - GET /forecast/cashflow?days=30 - GET /alerts → fraud/overspend alerts

Budgets & goals - POST /budgets $\{category_id, monthly_limit\}$ - GET /budgets \rightarrow with utilization - POST /goals $\{name, target_amount, target_date\}$ - GET /goals \rightarrow progress

Notifications - Webhooks → push/SMS/email via provider; rate-limited, idempotent.

2.7 Deployment & infra

- Providers: Sandbox during dev; abstract provider interface.
- Workers: Categorization, forecasting, and alerting as async jobs (Celery/RQ/Kafka consumers).
- Caching: Redis for hot dashboards; TTL 60-300s.
- Observability: tracing for provider calls; SLOs: P95 transactions list < 800ms; forecast < 2s.

2.8 Security & compliance

- Secrets: vault/SSM; never store bank credentials; token exchange only.
- PII: field-level encryption (pgcrypto) for names/emails; row-level tenancy.
- Compliance prep: PCI-DSS boundary (avoid card PAN); SOC2 logging; data retention policies.

2.9 Testing & QA

- Synthetic data generator for transactions (seasonality + anomalies).
- Golden sets for categorization (stratified by merchant & amount).
- Contract tests against provider sandbox.
- A/B framework to evaluate tips & forecast UIs.

2.10 Milestone roadmap

- 1. M1: Provider link + transactions import + basic categorization.
- 2. M2: Budgets, goals, spend summaries.
- 3. M3: Cashflow & bill prediction + alerts.
- 4. M4: Merchant normalization + feedback learning.
- 5. M5: Web dashboard, analytics & multi-tenant admin.

3) Shared implementation notes (both projects)

3.1 Tech choices

- **Frontend:** Next.js (App Router), React Query, shadcn/ui, TanStack Table, Tailwind; SSE/WS for streaming.
- **Backend:** FastAPI with Pydantic v2; Uvicorn; or Node/Express + Zod; modular service boundaries.
- **DB:** PostgreSQL 15+ with pgvector if self-hosted embeddings; TimescaleDB for time series (finance).
- Vector DB: Pinecone/Weaviate/Milvus; HNSW index; replicas=2.

3.2 Patterns

- Idempotency keys on writes.
- Outbox pattern for reliable events.
- Saga/compensation for multi-step flows (bank link, ingestion).

3.3 Sample infra as code (Terraform modules)

• VPC, subnets, SGs, RDS Postgres, Elasticache Redis, EKS cluster, S3 buckets with lifecycle, IAM roles with least privilege.

3.4 Prompts & safety

- Guardrails for LLM: system prompts enforce citations (KM) and no financial advice guarantees (Finance).
- PII redactors before logging; structured logs only.

4) Example payloads

4.1 Knowledge Management - / search

```
"query": "How does the SLA define uptime?",
  "workspace_id": "7b5c...",
  "filters": {"tags": ["SLA", "contracts"], "date_gte": "2025-01-01"},
  "k": 8
}
```

Response

```
[
    {"doc_id":"a12f...","chunk_id":"c9f...","page":3,"score":0.83,
    "snippet":"Service uptime is defined as ... excluding planned
maintenance ..."}
]
```

4.2 Finance – /forecast/cashflow

```
{
    "days": 30
}
```

Response

```
{
  "daily": [
```

```
{"date":"2025-08-15","projected_balance": 1234.55},
    {"date":"2025-08-16","projected_balance": 1189.10}
],
    "expected_bills": [
        {"name":"Rent","date":"2025-09-01","amount":-800.00}
],
    "confidence": 0.74
}
```

5) What to build first (practical cut)

- **KM:** start with PDF ingestion → chunk/emb → semantic search; add RAG chat once search quality is stable.
- **Finance:** start with sandbox transactions → categorization with feedback UI → budgets; then forecasting + alerts.

Need a **starter repo structure** (backend + frontend + infra) or **Mermaid ERD exported as SQL**? Tell me your preferred stack (FastAPI vs Node, Pinecone vs pgvector), and I'll generate production-quality scaffolding next.