

# EcoSearch:

## Smarter Question Answering for Modern Enterprises

*Efficient, transparent, and cost-effective QA—retrieval-first, LLM only when needed.*

### The Problem

Companies own vast internal knowledge—manuals, policies, archives—but struggle to make it accessible at scale. LLM-based QA systems are:

- Expensive (API calls for every question)
- Slow (cloud roundtrips)
- Not always private or compliant

### Our Solution: EcoSearch

EcoSearch is a next-generation retrieval-augmented system.

- **LLMs are used only once, during initial corpus preparation**, to create concise summaries and guiding questions for each document chunk.
- **At query time, user data never leaves your environment unless the user requests a fallback LLM answer.**
- Most questions are answered instantly and locally, without additional LLM calls.

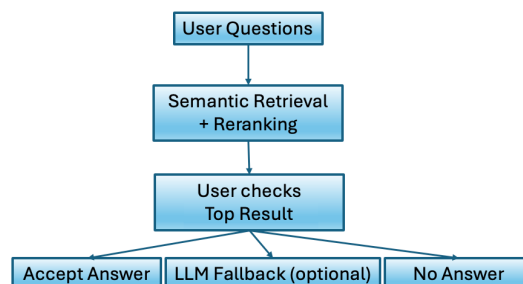
### Key Advantages

- **Cost savings** on LLM usage (calls only for preprocessing and rare fallback)
- **Low latency** (answers in under 2 seconds for most queries)
- **User control:** You see exactly which data is retrieved and can choose if/when to use LLM fallback
- **Flexible:** Can run local or cloud, supports any LLM provider

### How It Works

1. **One-time setup:**
  - Your documents are split, summarised, and guiding questions are generated with an LLM.
2. **Query time:**
  - User submits a question
  - System retrieves and reranks the best context from your data
  - User decides to accept the answer or trigger an LLM fallback

### Visual Flow



### Proof & Results

- **Until 80% retrieval accuracy** on real test data
- **70–80% reduction in LLM/API costs** vs. standard approaches
- **Minimal LLM usage at runtime**; privacy risks limited to initial corpus upload (which can be local if using a private LLM)