

## **build\_chat()**

### *Primary Goal*

Builds and returns a Retrieval Chain to answer a user's question

The chain should support streaming text generation

The chain should use random variations of component parts

# RetrievalChain

*The chain we made on our  
previous app*

# ConversationalRetrievalChain

*The chain we're going to  
make for this PDF chat app*

# Chat Panel

What country produces the most spice?

India produces the most spice.



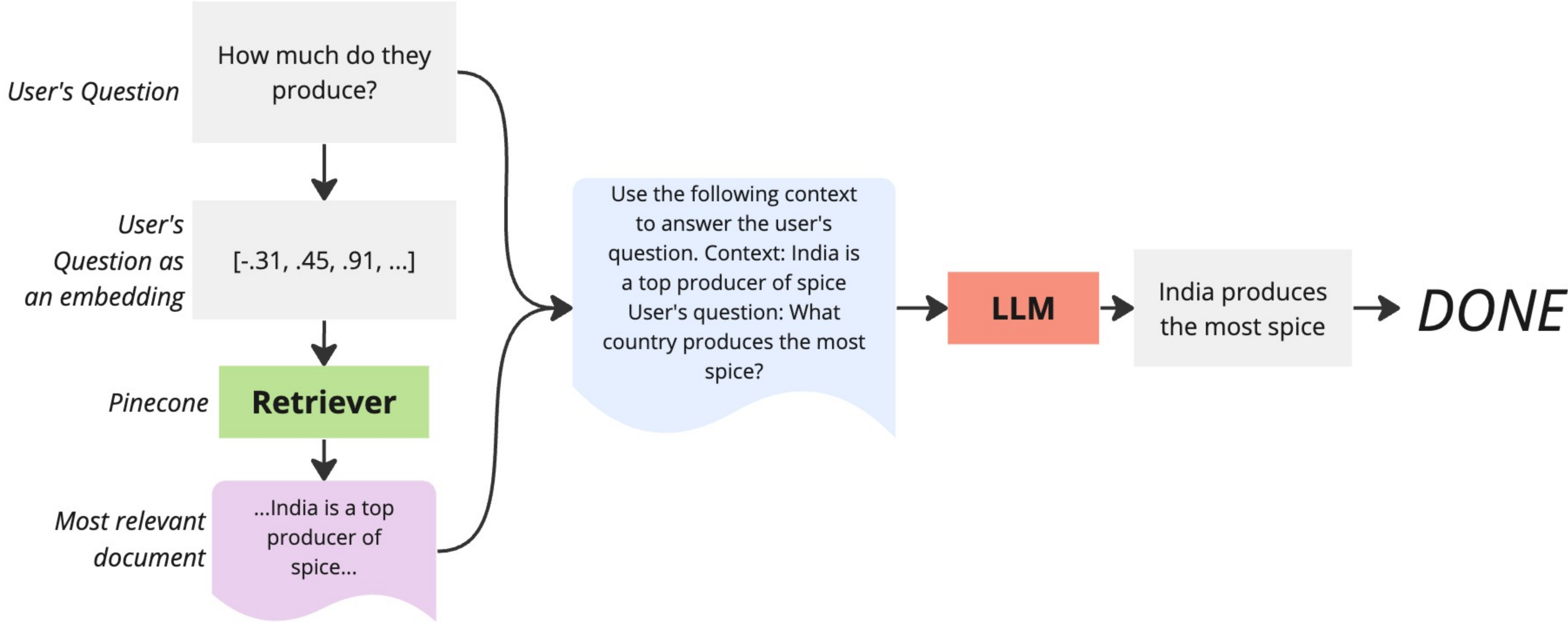
How much do they make?

In 2011, India produced 1.5 million metric tons

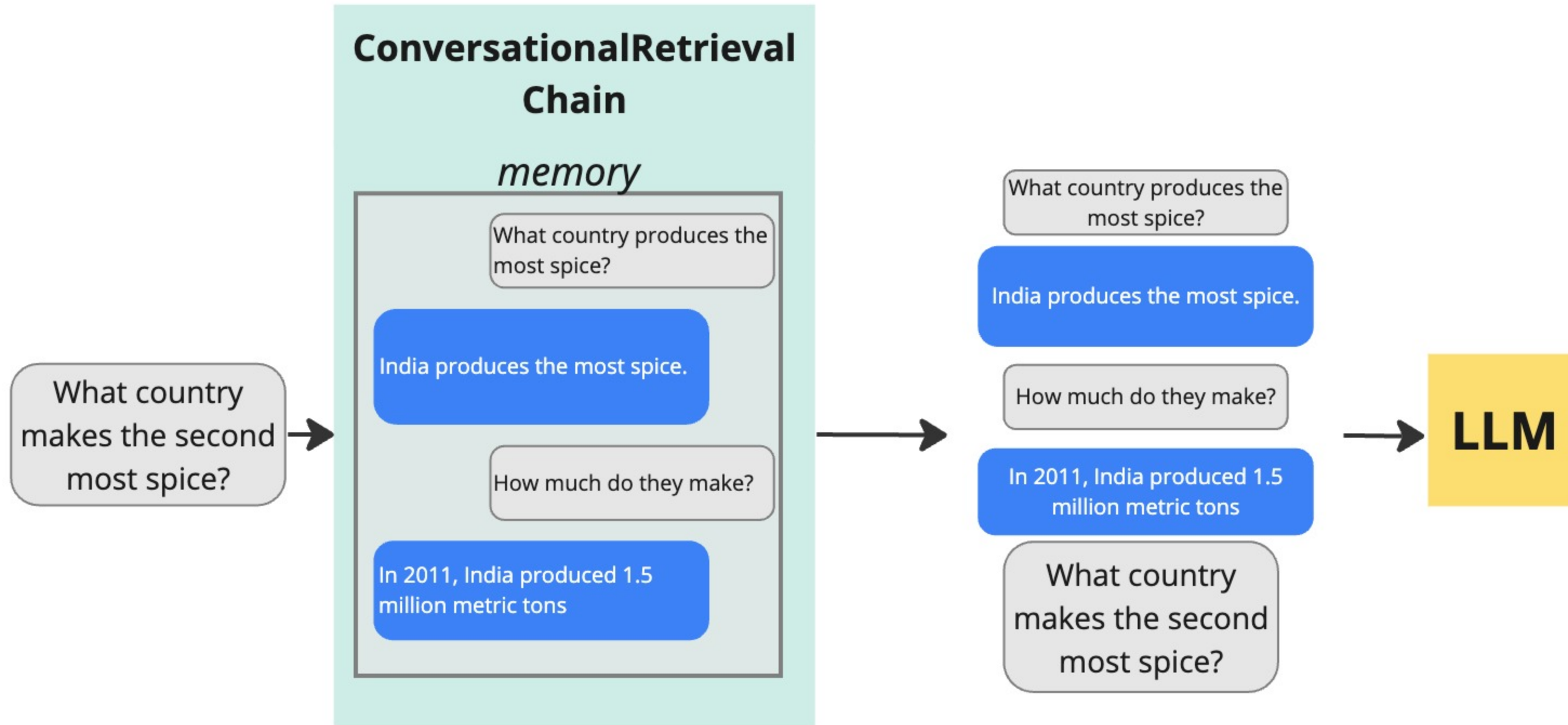


Enter text...

# Retrieval Chain



# This is *\*not\** how memory works with a Conversational Retrieval Chain!





## Conversational Retrieval Chain

What country  
produces the most  
spice?



*memory*

**Memory starts  
off empty**

## Conversational Retrieval Chain

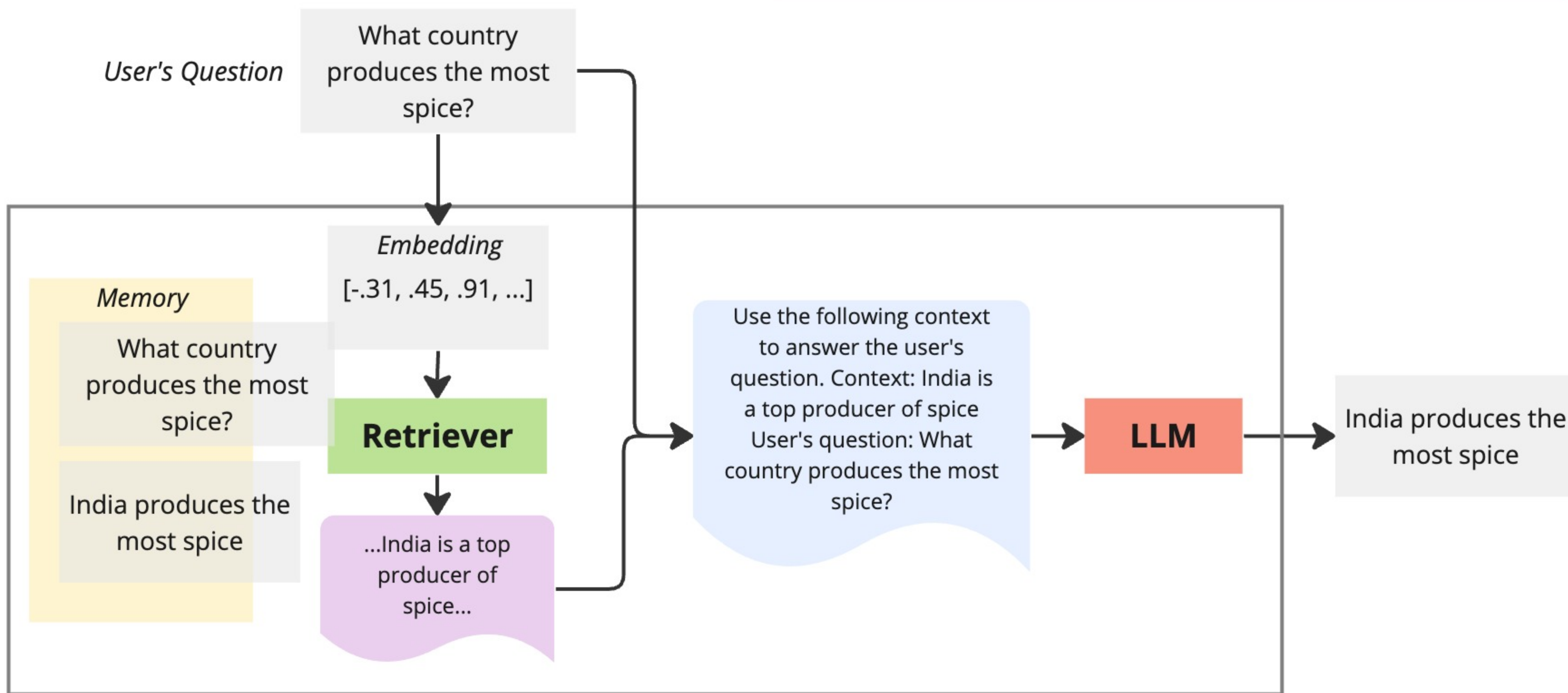
How much do they  
produce?



*memory*

**Chain behaves  
differently when  
memory contains  
messages!**

# Conversational Retrieval Chain



# Conversational Retrieval Chain

*User's Question*

How much do they  
produce?



*Memory*

What country  
produces the most  
spice?

*human*

India produces the  
most spice

*ai*



# Conversational Retrieval Chain

*User's Question*

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## Memory

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Given the following conversation and a follow up question, rephrase the follow up question to be a standalone question, in its original language.

Chat History:

Human: What country produces the most spice?

Assistant: India produces the most spice

Follow Up Input: How much do they produce?

Standalone question:



**LLM**



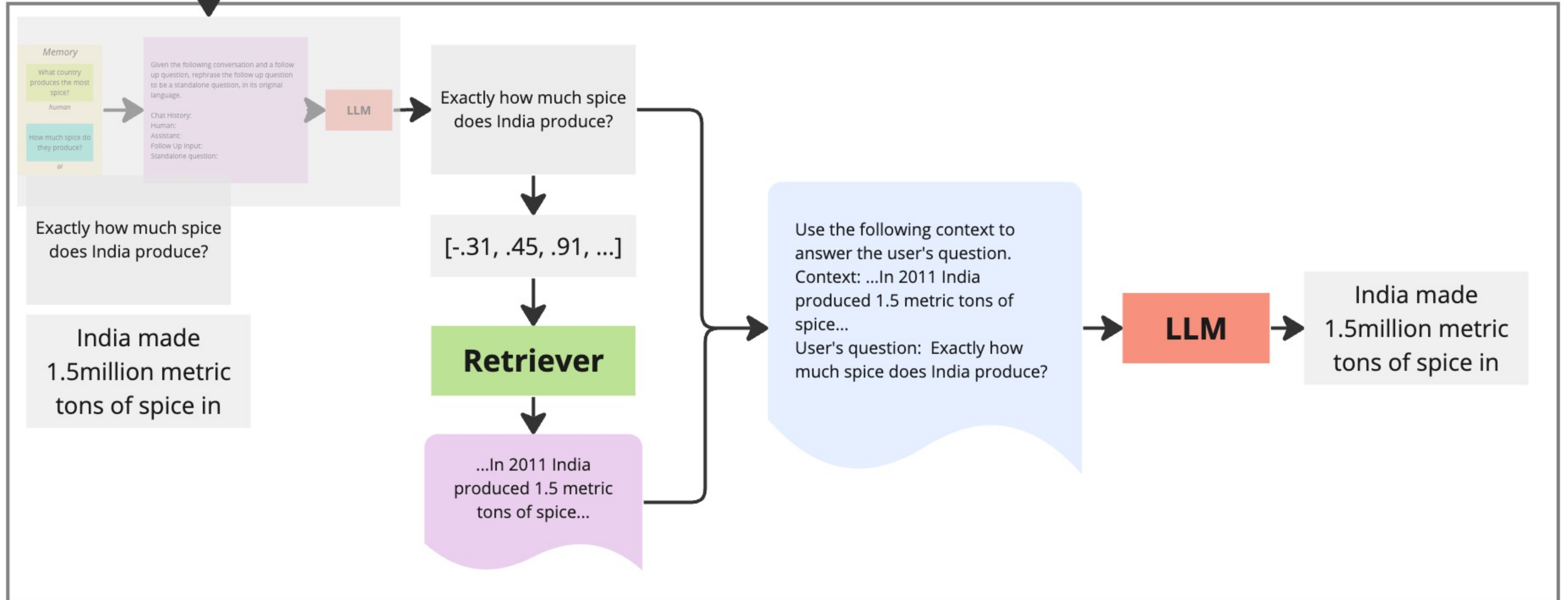
Exactly how much spice does  
India produce?

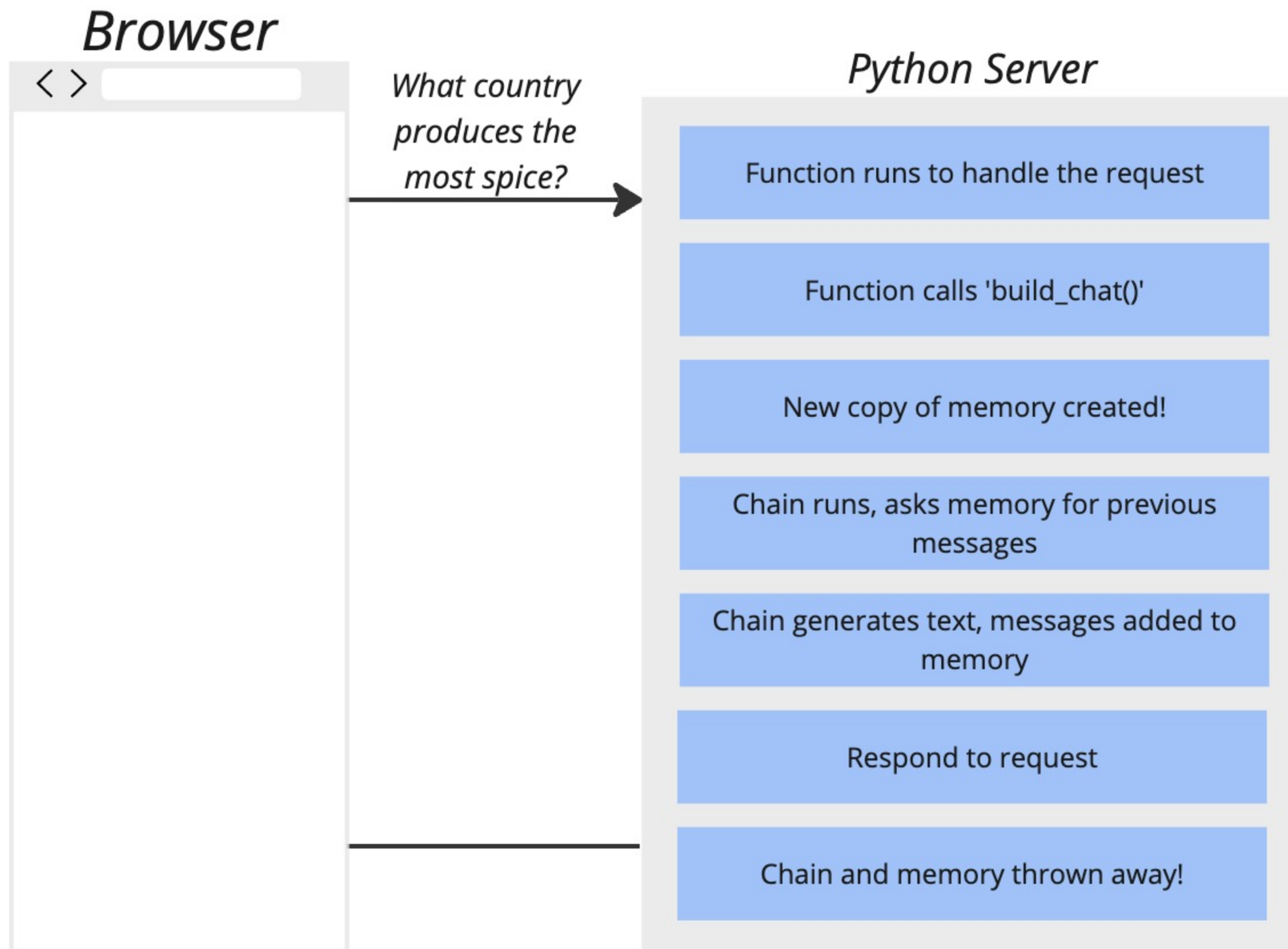
*Refined Question*

*User's Question*

How much do they  
produce?

## Conversational Retrieval Chain





## Browser

## Python Server

## Persistent Message Storage

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produces the  
most spice?*

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messages

Chain generates text, messages added  
to memory

Respond to request

Chain and memory thrown away!

**role**

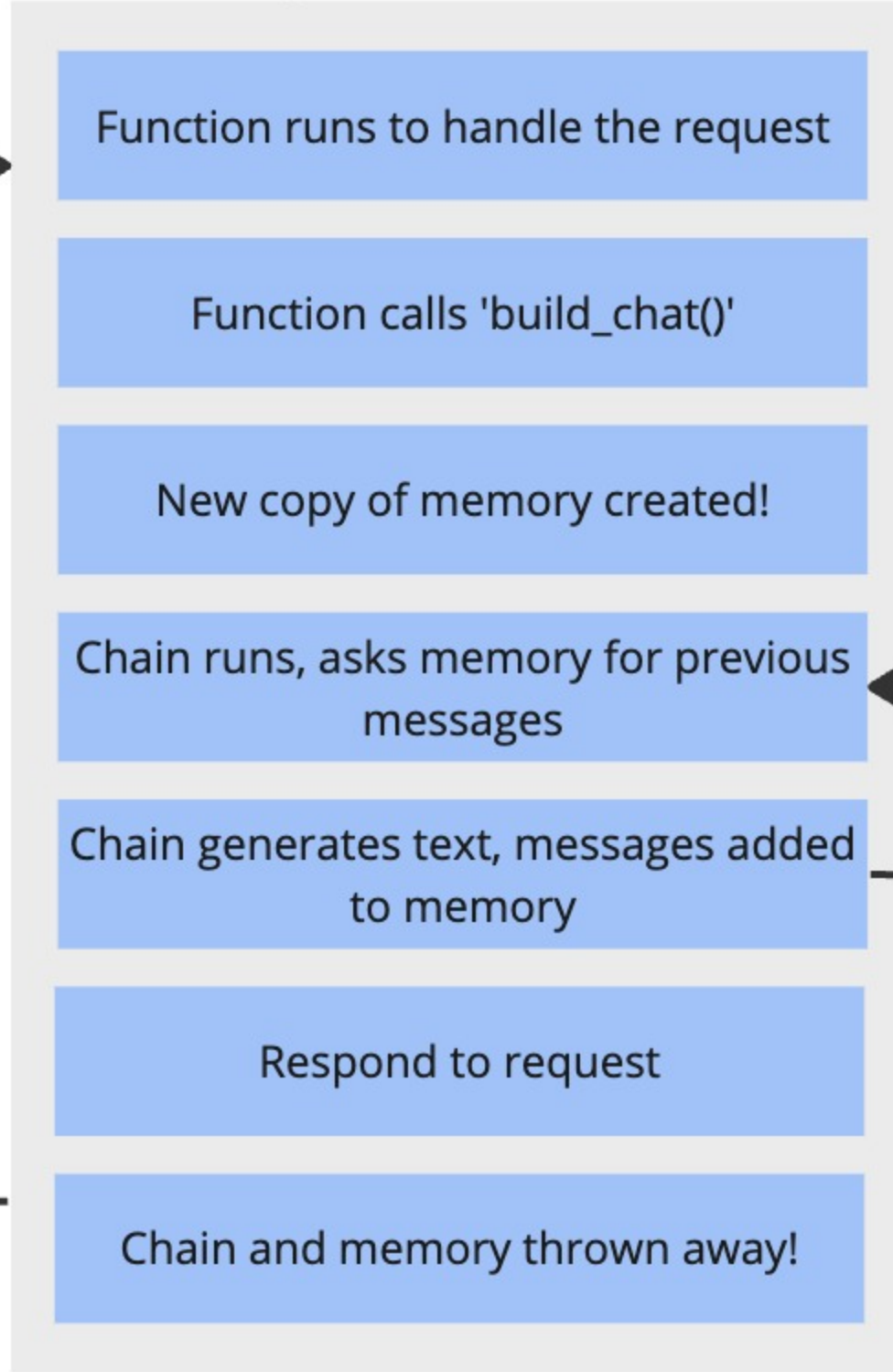
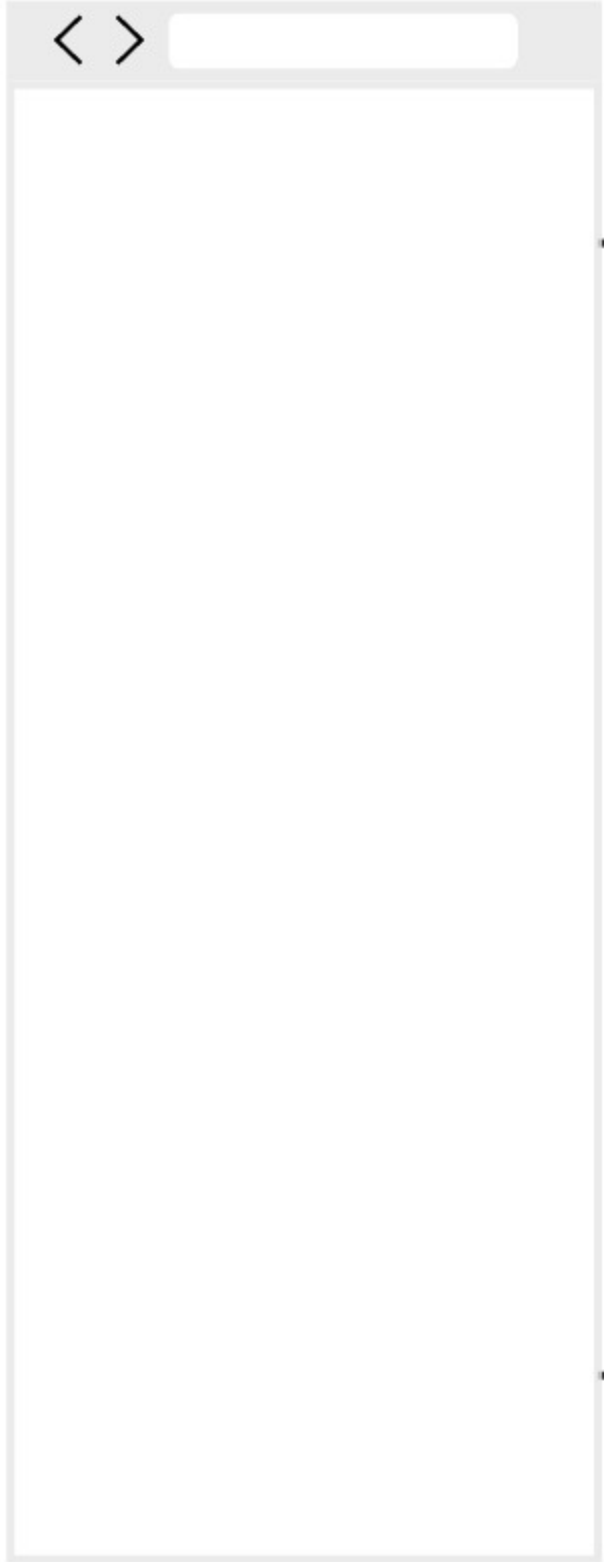
**content**

user

What country produces the most  
spice?

ai

India produces the most spice.



role	content
user	What country produces the most spice?
ai	India produces the most spice.



```
1  class ConversationBufferMemory(BaseChatMemory):
2      chat_memory = ChatMessageHistory()
3
4      def save_context(self, user_question, ai_response):
5          """Add a user/ai message pair to history"""
6          self.chat_memory.add_user_message(user_question)
7          self.chat_memory.add_ai_message(ai_response)
8
9      def load_memory_variables(self):
10         """Called when the chain needs to access saved messages"""
11         return self.chat_memory.messages
```



# Browser

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## ConversationBufferMemory

save\_context()

load\_memory\_variables()

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