

Notes-Buddy: An Interactive Assistant

Project Overview

This project aims to provide an interactive platform for analyzing and extracting insights from lecture notes and PDF documents using advanced Language Models (LLMs) and the Gemini Pro API. The system allows users to upload notes, ask questions in natural language, and receive AI-generated summaries and insights.

Approach and Architecture

1. Document Processing

- **Upload:** Users upload lecture notes or PDFs through the Streamlit interface.
- **Extraction:** We use PDF processing libraries to extract raw text from the documents.
- **Chunking:** The extracted text is divided into smaller, manageable chunks to optimize processing and retrieval.

2. Indexing and Embedding

- **Embedding Generation:** Each text chunk is converted into a high-dimensional vector representation using a pre-trained embedding model.
- **Vector Storage:** These embeddings are stored in an efficient vector database (e.g., FAISS or Pinecone) for fast similarity search.

3. Query Processing

- **User Input:** Natural language queries are received through the Streamlit UI.
- **Query Embedding:** The user's query is embedded into the same vector space as the document chunks.
- **Retrieval:** Relevant chunks are retrieved from the vector store based on similarity to the query embedding.

4. Response Generation

- **Context Preparation:** Retrieved chunks are concatenated to form a context for the LLM.
- **LLM Interaction:** The Gemini Pro API is used to generate a response based on the user's query and the provided context.
- **Output Rendering:** The generated response is displayed to the user in the Streamlit interface.

5. Summarization and Insight Generation

- **Document-level Embedding:** A global embedding is created for the entire document.

- **Prompt Engineering:** Carefully crafted prompts are sent to the Gemini Pro API along with the document embedding to generate summaries and key insights.
- **Interactive Exploration:** Users can ask follow-up questions, with the system maintaining context for a conversational experience.

Frameworks and Models

1. **Gemini Pro API:** Chosen for its state-of-the-art performance in natural language understanding and generation. It offers a good balance between quality and cost.
2. **LangChain:** This framework simplifies the integration of LLMs into our application. It provides utilities for document loading, text splitting, and prompt management.
3. **Streamlit:** Selected for rapid development of interactive web applications with minimal front-end coding. It's Python-friendly and has a low learning curve.
4. **Vector Databases:** Essential for efficient similarity search as the volume of documents grows. They enable quick retrieval of relevant context for user queries.

Areas for Improvement

1. **Fine-tuning:** Experiment with fine-tuning the LLM on a domain-specific dataset to improve response quality for specialized topics.
2. **User Feedback Loop:** Implement a mechanism for users to rate responses, using this feedback to improve retrieval and generation strategies.
3. **Security and Privacy:** Enhance document and query encryption to ensure user data privacy.

Deployment and Scaling Plan

1. **Containerization:** Package the application using Docker to ensure consistent environments across development and production.
2. **Serverless Deployment:** Utilize services like AWS Lambda or Google Cloud Functions for the backend, allowing automatic scaling based on demand.
3. **Content Delivery Network (CDN):** Employ a CDN to serve static assets and improve global accessibility.
4. **Database Scaling:** As the number of documents grows:
 - Implement database sharding to distribute data across multiple servers.
 - Use a distributed vector database that supports horizontal scaling.
5. **Asynchronous Processing:** Implement a message queue (e.g., RabbitMQ, Apache Kafka) for handling document uploads and processing tasks asynchronously.
6. **Monitoring and Logging:** Integrate services like Prometheus and Grafana for real-time monitoring of system performance and user engagement metrics.

Screenshots: uploaded Research Paper and asked Questions to Notes-Buddy

