

Comprehensive Usage Documentation

1) Tool Inventory (GenAI tools, models, APIs, and libraries)

How versions were/should be captured: I recorded versions at run time using `pip show` and `library __version__` attributes. (If any cell didn't print versions, I can rerun a short `environment-report` cell to fill gaps.)

Inventory Table

Category	Name / Identifier	Version (fill)	Local / Cloud	Primary Purpose	Where Used (Notebook Step)
Text Generation (LLM)	HuggingFace Transformers — FLAN-T5-base		Local	Context-grounded answer generation	Naïve (2&3), Advanced (5), Eval (6)
Embeddings	SentenceTransformers — all-MiniLM-L6-v2		Local	384-dim dense vector encoding for retrieval	Naïve (2&3), Advanced (5)
Reranker (Cross Encoder)	cross-encoder/ms-marco-MiniLM-L-6-v2		Local	Pairwise reranking of candidate passages	Advanced (5)
ANN Index (Exact)	FAISS (IndexFlatIP)		Local	Vector similarity search (exact, IP metric)	Advanced (5), Eval (6)
Vector DB (Baseline)	Milvus Lite (pymilvus)		Local	Vector storage & search (FLAT/IP)	Naïve (2&3)
Evaluation (optional)	ragas ($\geq 0.1.9$) + local HF LLM		Local	Faithfulness, answer-relevancy, context metrics	Eval (6)
Data Loading	HuggingFace datasets		Local	<code>rag-datasets/rag-mini-wikipedia</code> loader	EDA (1), 2–6
Utilities	numpy, pandas, nbconvert		Local	Arrays/dataframes; notebook→.py conversion	All
Authoring/Assistance (AI)	ChatGPT (GPT-5 Thinking)	N/A	Cloud	Documentation help, planning, troubleshooting advice	Planning, orchestration, report text

Note: I ran fully **offline** for model inference (no OpenAI API usage in pipelines). The authoring assistant (ChatGPT) was used for documentation and non-core code scaffolding only; details are logged below.

2) AI Usage Log (Specific purposes, inputs, and output utilization)

Logged Entries

Entry A — Path Resolution & Conversion

- **Tool:** ChatGPT (GPT-5 Thinking)
- **Purpose:** Make nbconvert robust to Google Drive path variants (`MyDrive` vs `My Drive`) and find notebooks by filename.
- **Input:** “My nbconvert step can’t find `NAIVE_RAG(Steps_2_and_3).ipynb`. Provide a resilient approach to mount Drive, search both roots, and rglob for files by name without changing core logic.”
- **Output Usage:** I adopted a small discovery cell to resolve absolute paths and list directory contents when files weren’t found.
- **Verification:** Confirmed the function returned correct absolute paths and that conversion produced `.py` files; downstream imports succeeded.
- **Date / File/Cell:** Orchestrator, Cell “Mount & Path Discovery”.

Entry B — Normalizing Chunk Exports Across Notebooks

- **Tool:** ChatGPT (GPT-5 Thinking)
- **Purpose:** Standardize differing data shapes (e.g., `chunks[*].content`) into a canonical `{id, text}` list for FAISS/Milvus.
- **Input:** “My Step-2 notebook uses `chunks` with a `content` key; Step-5 may export docs or a DataFrame. Give me a minimal, safe normalizer (no core logic changes).”
- **Output Usage:** I used the suggested normalizer to bind `chunk_store = [{id, text}]` regardless of source shape.
- **Verification:** Checked length equality (`num chunks == num vectors` after embedding), printed sample entries, and successfully ran retrieval smoke tests.
- **Date / File/Cell:** Orchestrator, Cell “Bind resources”.

Entry C — Report Prose & Structure

- **Tool:** ChatGPT (GPT-5 Thinking)
- **Purpose:** Improve readability and flow of the Phase-5 technical report (Executive Summary, Architecture, Results, Production).
- **Input:** “Rewrite for a technical audience, first-person singular, with a narrative flow and clear trade-offs; no turnkey insights.”

- **Output Usage:** I used the edited paragraphs as a draft, then revised for accuracy and alignment with my logs.
- **Verification:** I cross-checked every number against printed notebook outputs/CSVs; I edited wording where needed.
- **Date / File/Cell:** Report document.

I will append additional entries if I obtain further AI assistance (e.g., debugging ideas or citation formatting). Each entry includes verification steps.

3) Code Generation (AI-assisted code with attribution)

Policy: I did **not** use AI to implement core RAG components (chunking, embeddings, indexing, retrieval, reranking, generation). Where I accepted small helper snippets, I clearly attributed them and verified correctness.

Attribution Template

- **Location:** [File/Cell reference]
- **What AI generated:** [Short description of non-core helper]
- **My modifications:** [Edits/refactors made by me]
- **Why acceptable:** [Does not implement core logic; I understand and can reproduce it]
- **Verification:** [Assertions, smoke tests, sample prints]

Attribution 1 — Path Discovery Helper

- **Location:** Orchestrator, “Mount & Path Discovery” cell
- **What AI generated:** A small function that tries `/content/drive/MyDrive` and `/content/drive/My Drive`, then `rglob`-searches for the target notebooks by filename.
- **My modifications:** Reduced branches, added explicit error messaging and directory listing on failure.
- **Why acceptable:** This only locates files; it does not affect RAG logic.
- **Verification:** Verified paths printed correctly; `nbconvert` succeeded; module import/run worked end-to-end.

Attribution 2 — Export Normalizer

- **Location:** Orchestrator, “Bind resources” cell
- **What AI generated:** A normalizer to map `{docs | chunks | DataFrame | list[str]}` into a canonical list of `{id, text}`.
- **My modifications:** Enforced key order (`text → body → content`), added strict assertions (non-empty, same count as vectors), and preview logging.
- **Why acceptable:** Pure data-shape adaptation; no retrieval/scoring logic.
- **Verification:** Length checks, sample inspection, and successful retrieval smoke tests.

4) Content Creation (AI involvement in documentation, analysis, reporting)

Policy: AI assistance was limited to editing/structuring documentation and proposing clearer ways to present results. All technical claims, interpretations, and metrics originated from my notebooks and were independently verified.

Attribution A — Technical Report Flow

- **Section:** Executive Summary, Architecture, Results, Production Considerations
- **AI Contribution:** Improved narrative flow, tightened phrasing, suggested how to present recall–precision trade-offs without overclaiming.
- **My Verification:** I cross-checked every figure (chunk counts, dimensions, precision/recall, EM/F1) against the notebook outputs; edited wording where necessary to exactly match my runs.

Attribution B — Academic Integrity Appendix

- **Section:** Enhanced Integrity & AI Collaboration Framework
- **AI Contribution:** Provided the skeleton for the AI Usage Log and attribution format; refined wording for clarity.
- **My Verification:** Ensured the log entries reflect my actual usage; added verification steps and file/cell references.

Signature

I affirm that I independently implemented, executed, and analyzed the core RAG components in this project. AI assistance, where used, is documented in this section and did not replace my own understanding or decision-making.