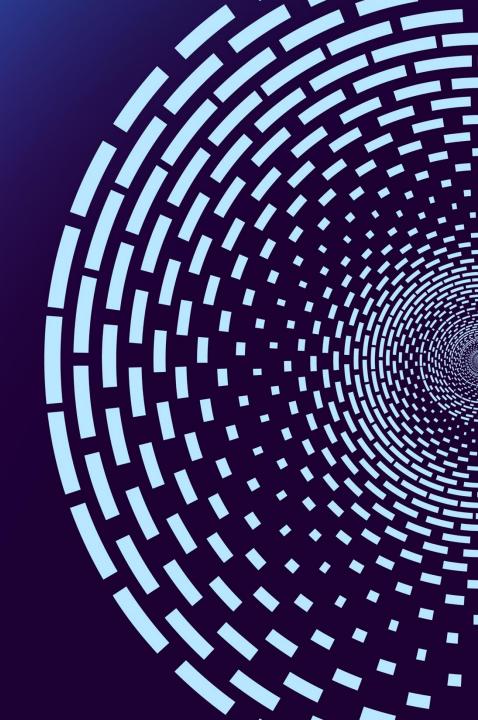


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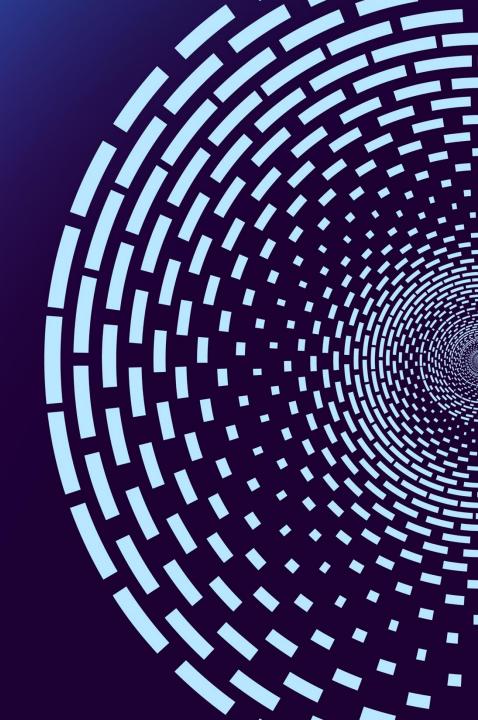


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Build application using advanced RAG methods and validate using different evaluation mechanism

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RAG introduction



What is Retrieval Augmented Generation?



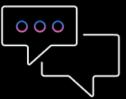
Retrieval

Fetches the relevant content from the external knowledge base or data sources based on a user query



Augmentation

Adding the retrieved relevant context to the user prompt, which goes as an input to the foundation model



Generation

Response from the foundation model based on the augmented prompt



RAG use cases



Improved content quality

E.g., helps in reducing hallucinations and connecting with recent knowledge including enterprise data



Contextual chatbots and question answering

E.g., enhance chatbot capabilities by integrating with real-time data



Personalized search

E.g., searching based on user previous search history and persona



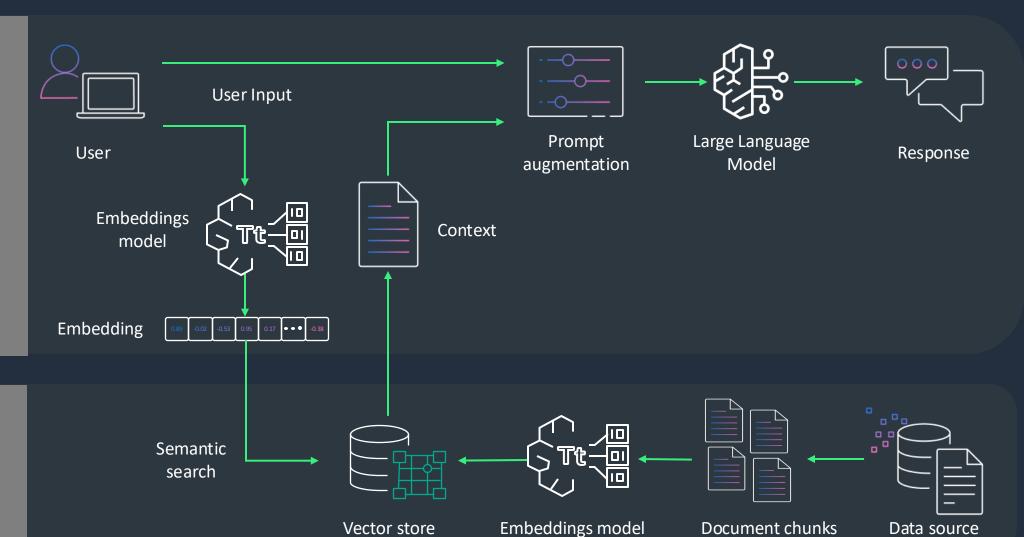
Real-time data summarization

E.g., retrieving and summarizing transactional data from databases, or API calls



RAG in Action

Text Generation
Workflow



Data Ingestion Workflow

Knowledge Bases for Amazon Bedrock

Gives FMs and agents contextual information from your private data sources for Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG) to deliver more relevant, accurate, and customized responses.



Fully managed support for end-to-end RAG workflow



Securely connect FMs and agents to data sources



Easily retrieve relevant data and augment prompts



Provide source attribution



RAG challenges



Challenges with Regular RAG Approach

- Parsing complex structures Entities nested tables, images, graphs are not parsed accurately.
- Use relevant data from large dataset As the dataset grows, only the configured set of top results are
 used for context impacting accuracy.
- Responding to complex questions A compound question (such as ones with different sub-questions)
 pose challenges to the RAG solution.
- Retrieve right context with complex document structures Few documents such as legal documents or technical manuals have semantically related sections in different pages impacting the overall accuracy.
- Generate complete, correct and grounded response without any hallucination.



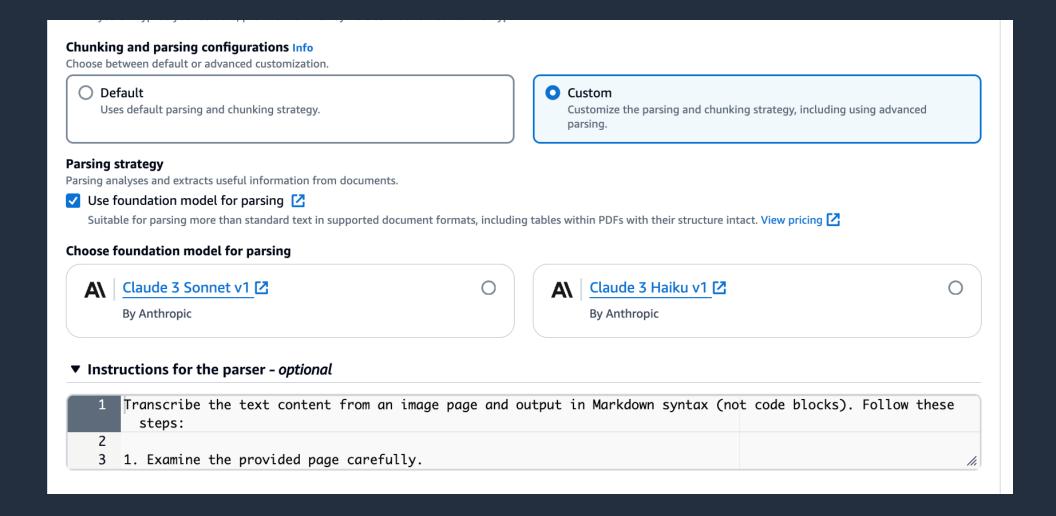
Workarounds

- Programatic parsing Use different service (such as Amazon Textract) to extract the table content into .md file
- Programmatic split of compound questions Programmatically split the question or reformulate the question and get the responses and programmatically aggregate the response.
- Programatic chunking Programmatically create custom chunks of the documents and mange them in vector store.

Advanced RAG - Parsing



Advanced RAG with Amazon Bedrock Knowledge Bases





Advanced RAG - Chunking



Chunking strategy

What

Chunking: Segmenting text into meaningful, concise chunks

Why

Enables semantic text embedding

How

Effectiveness of chunking strategy largely depends on quality and structure of the chunks.

Optimal chunk size balances relevant context and speed





Overview of different chunking approaches

Туре	Description	Pros	Cons	Remarks
Fixed chunking	 Fixed character count division Recursive character text splitting 	Quick and efficient	Lacks context awareness	Data is relatively uniform in length and structure.
Semantic chunking	- Meaningful and complete chunks based on semantic similarity	Better retrieval quality		Suitable for lengthy documents that have related sections.
Hierarchical chunking	 Organize chunks in a structured manner Nodes with summaries, parent-child relationships 	Improve retrieval efficiency and reliability	Require domain- specific or problem-specific expertise	When required context is split across multiple different documents

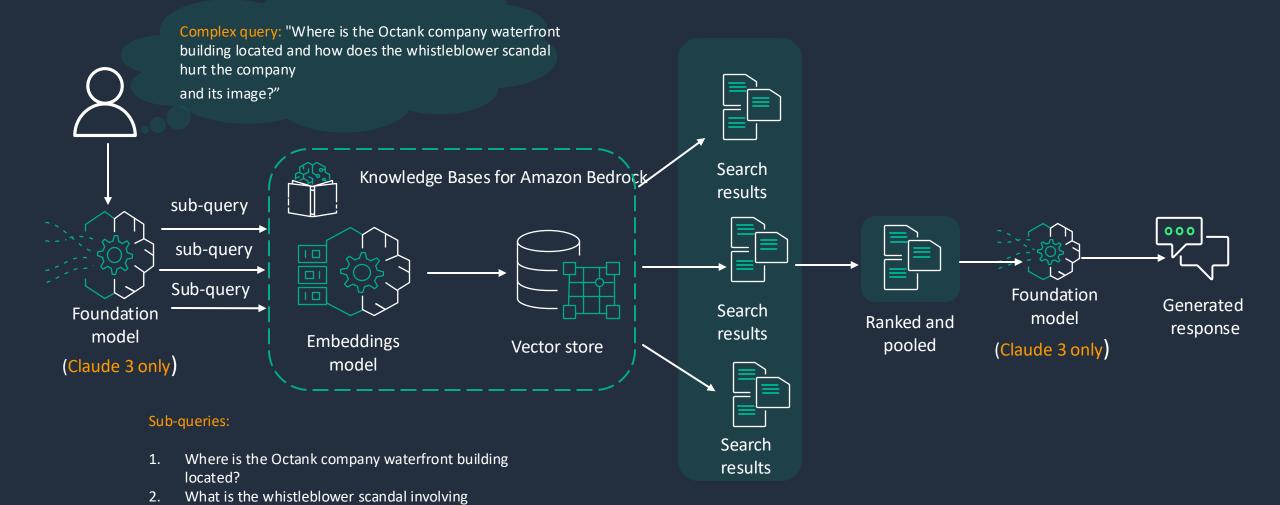


Advanced RAG – Query reformulation



RAG API - Query reformulation







How did the whistleblower scandal affect Octank

Octank company?

RAG evaluation



Special challenges with RAG evaluation



Use relevant data from your knowledge base



Retrieve the right context from documents



Generate a correct, complete, and grounded answer minimizing hallucinations



Iteratively improve your RAG system and compare across changes



Evaluate biases, safety, and trust



Bring your own datasets for tailored results

Public Preview

RAG evaluation on Amazon **Bedrock Knowledge Bases**

Evaluate retrieval alone or retrieval + generation with a choice of LLM-as-a-judge

Built-in metrics for quality and 3 responsible AI, compatible with Amazon Bedrock Guardrails

Evaluate your full Amazon Bedrock Knowledge Base stack to optimize your RAG application

Compare across multiple evaluation jobs



Get results in just a few clicks



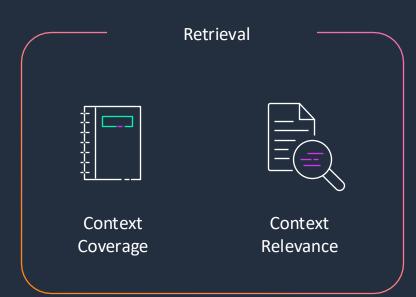
RAG evaluation input data format

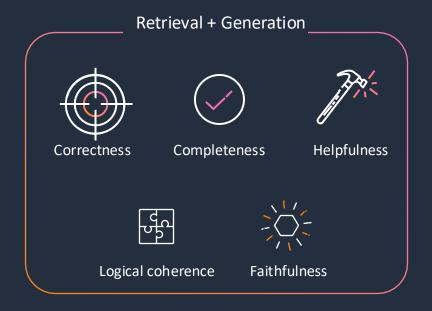
Input dataset contains 2 things in JSONL format

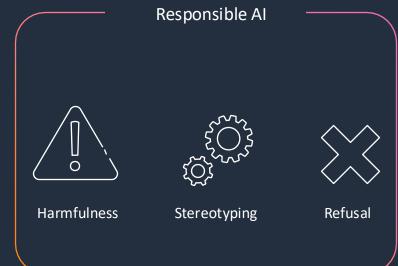
- 1. Prompt
- 2. Optional golden ground truth

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"conversationTurns": [{
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             }]
      }],
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                    "text": "This is a prompt"
             }]
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Choice of evaluation metrics







How correctness works

Example input

Judge prompt (simplified)

You are a helpful assistant...

You are given a question, a candidate response from an LLM, and reference response.

Your task is to check if the candidate response is correct compared to the reference response...

Here is the actual task:

Question: {prompt}

Reference Response: {referenceResponse}

Candidate Response: {Model response}

Explain your response, followed by your evaluation:

- 2) Correct
- 1) Partially correct
- 0) Incorrect

prompt: What is the capital of Spain?

referenceResponse: Madrid

Model response: Barcelona



How RAG evaluation works with Knowledge Bases

















Choose evaluator model Choose your Knowledge Base Choose to
evaluate
retrieval only or
retrieve +
generate

Choose your generator model

Choose your metrics

Upload your prompt dataset

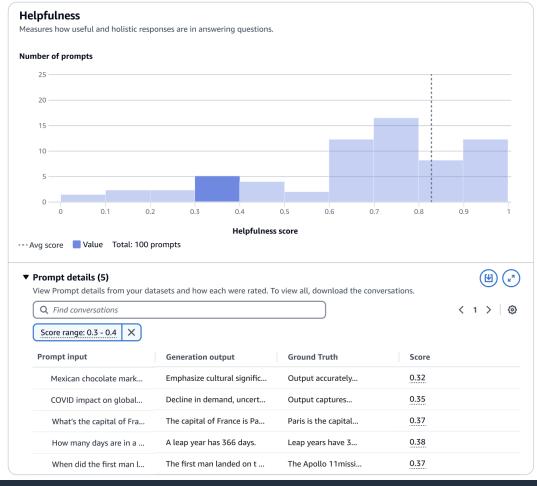
Inference and evaluation

View results



Get results in a few clicks

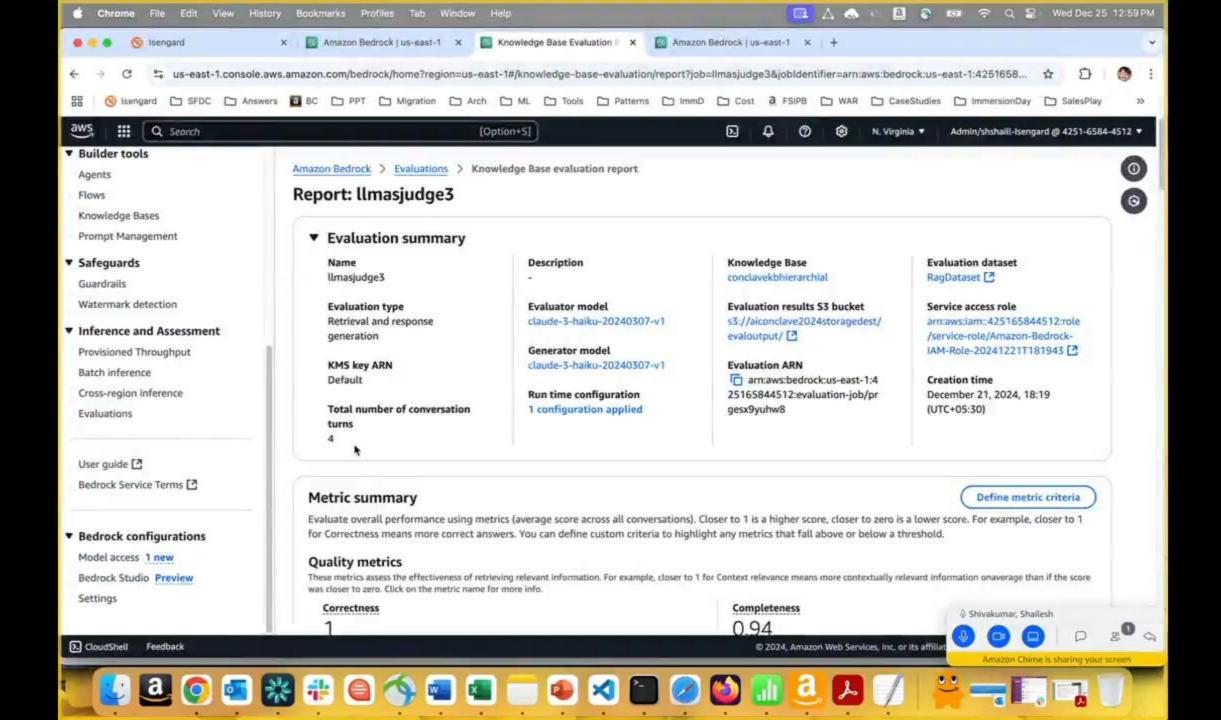
Generation metrics breakdown See metrics below to track and understand how model arrived at the output. Click on the chart for more details Metrics Quality metrics: Helpfulness Logical cohesion Answer relevance Responsible AI metrics: Refusal Helpfulness 15



- Simple to read scores
- See distributions visually
- See ratings explanations

Demo







Thank you!

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