



# Vector Databases and Large Language Models

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# Vector Embeddings

What are vector embeddings and how are they created?

## Vectors

- Commonly represent unstructured data
  - Audio, text, images, etc
- Usually of high-dimension in the form of a **dense** embedding.
- Packed with information
- Easy to use API to create



**Hugging Face**



## Vector Embedding Creation

- Simple creation APIs
- Example with HuggingFace Sentence Transformer

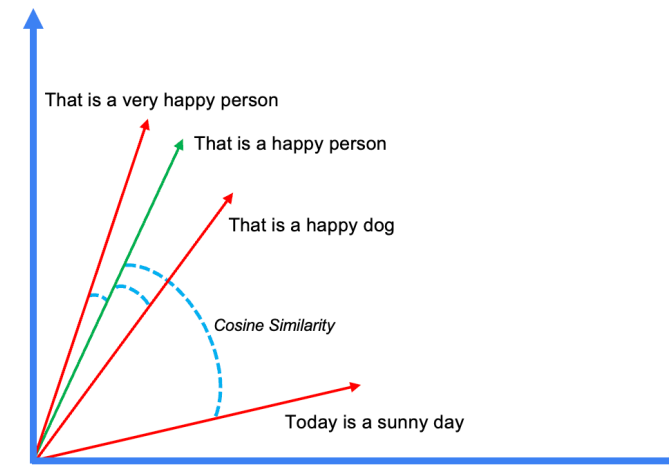
```
1 from sentence_transformers import SentenceTransformer
2 model = SentenceTransformer('sentence-transformers/all-MiniLM-L6-v2')
3
4 sentences = [
5     "That is a very happy Person",
6     "That is a Happy Dog",
7     "Today is a sunny day"
8 ]
9 embeddings = model.encode(sentences)
```

# Vector Similarity Search

How are vector embeddings used for similarity search?

- 3 semantic vectors = **Search Space**
  - "today is a sunny day"
  - "that is a very happy person"
  - "that is a very happy dog"
- 1 Semantic vector = **Query**
  - "That is a happy person"

**Goal: Find most similar vector to the query**

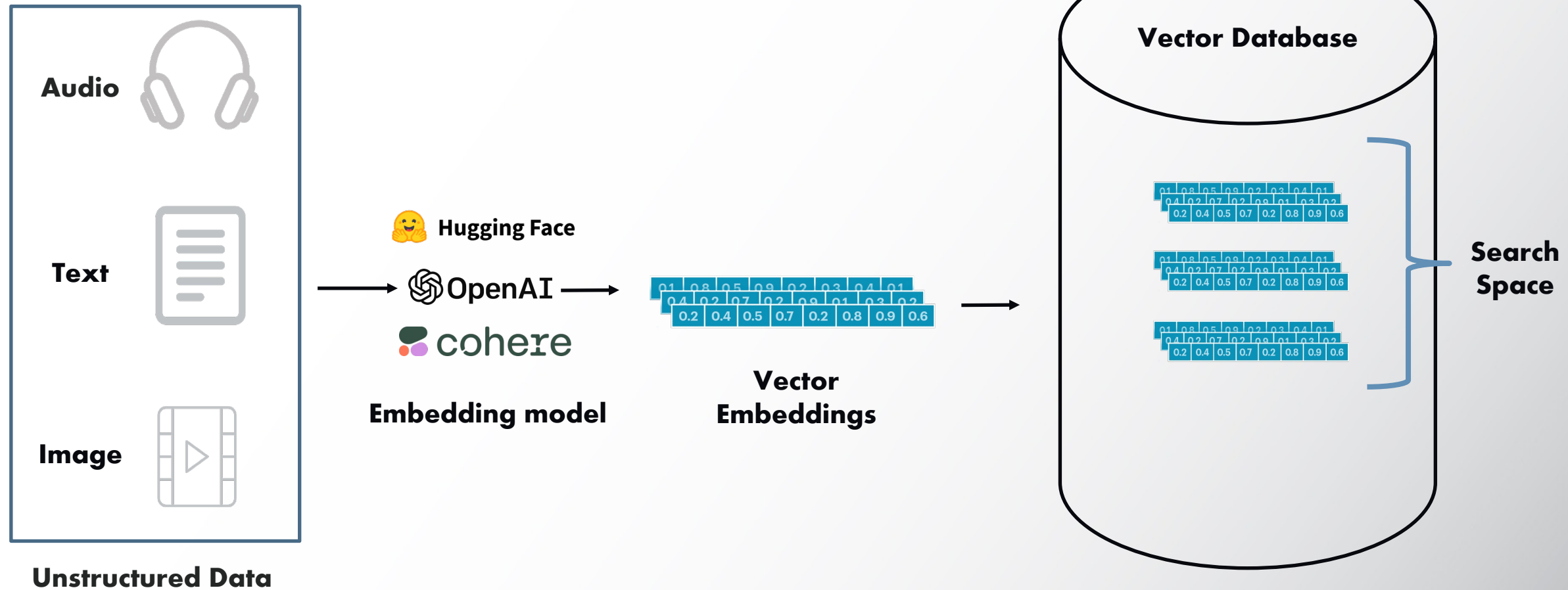


How? Calculate the distance (ex. Cosine Similarity)

That is a happy dog	0.695
That is a very happy person	0.943
Today is a sunny day	0.257

# Vector Database







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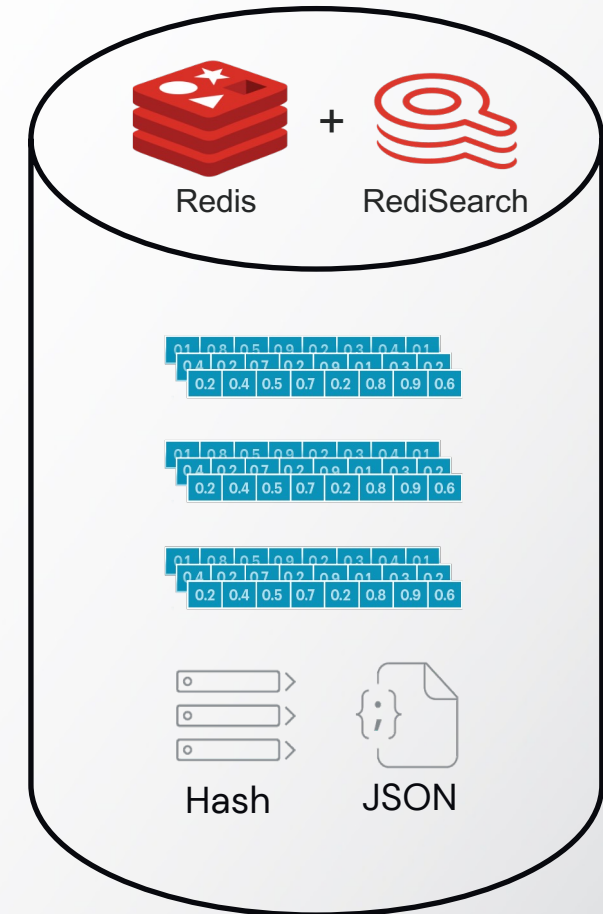


# Redis as a Vector Database

Redis + Redisearch = Vector Database

## Features

- Index types
  - Flat 
  - HNSW 
- Distance metrics
  - L2, Cosine, Internal Product
- Integrations
  -  Jina
  -  LangChain
  -  Relevance AI
  -  OpenAI
  - Retrieval Plugin
- Coming Soon
  - GPU index with NVIDIA RAFT integration
  - LLamaIndex



Try it out! (w/ OpenAI Cookbook example)

```
docker run -d --name redis-stack -p 6379:6379 -p 8001:8001 redis/redis-stack:latest
```

# LLM + Vector DB Use Cases

Because large was not large enough

# Vector Database

## Use cases with Large Language Models



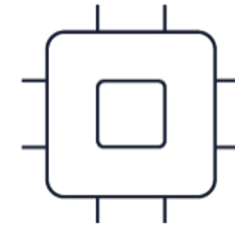
### Context Retrieval

- Search for relevant sources of text from the “knowledge base”
- Provide as “context” to LLM



### LLM “Memory”

- Persist embedded conversation history
- Search for relevant conversation pieces as context for LLM

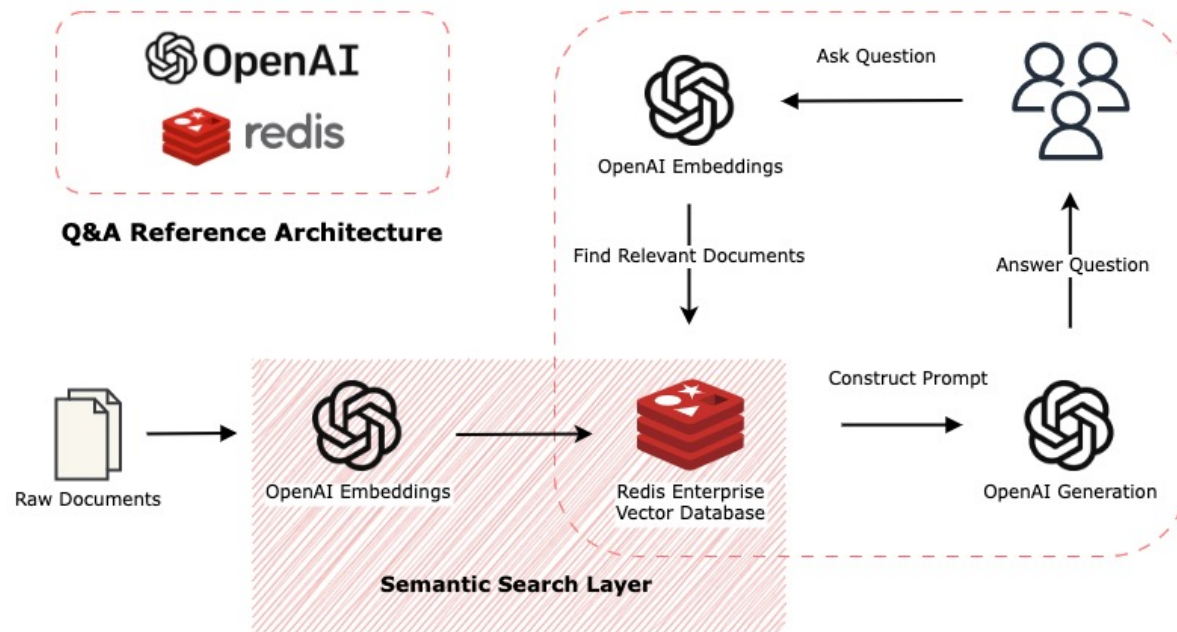


### LLM Cache

- Search for semantically similar LLM prompts (inputs)
- Return cached responses

# Context Retrieval

For Question and Answering systems



Document QnA Example: <https://github.com/RedisVentures/redis-openai-qna>

Chatbot Example w/ Langchain: <https://github.com/RedisVentures/redis-langchain-chatbot>

- Description

- Vector database is used as an external knowledge base for the large language model.
- Queries are used to detect similar information (context) within the knowledge base

- Benefits

- **Cheaper and faster** than fine-tuning
- **Real-time updates** to knowledge base
- **Sensitive data** doesn't need to be used in model training or fine tuning

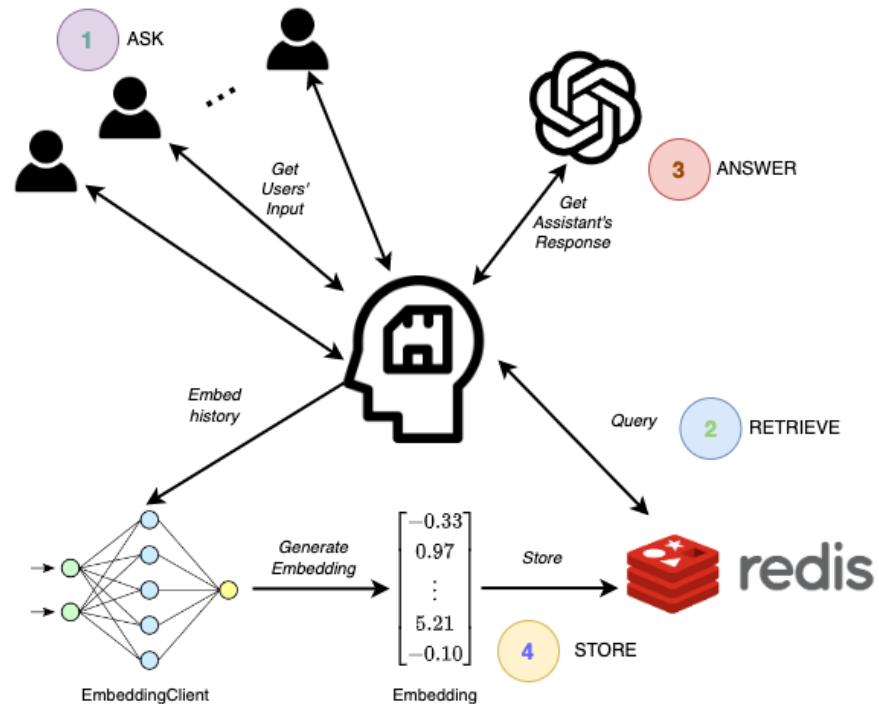
- Use Cases

- Document discovery and analysis
- Chatbots



# Long-term Memory for LLMs

## Contextual Memory without limits



### Description

- Theoretically infinite, contextual memory that encompasses multiple simultaneous sessions
- Retrieves only last K messages relevant to the current message in the entire history.

### Benefits

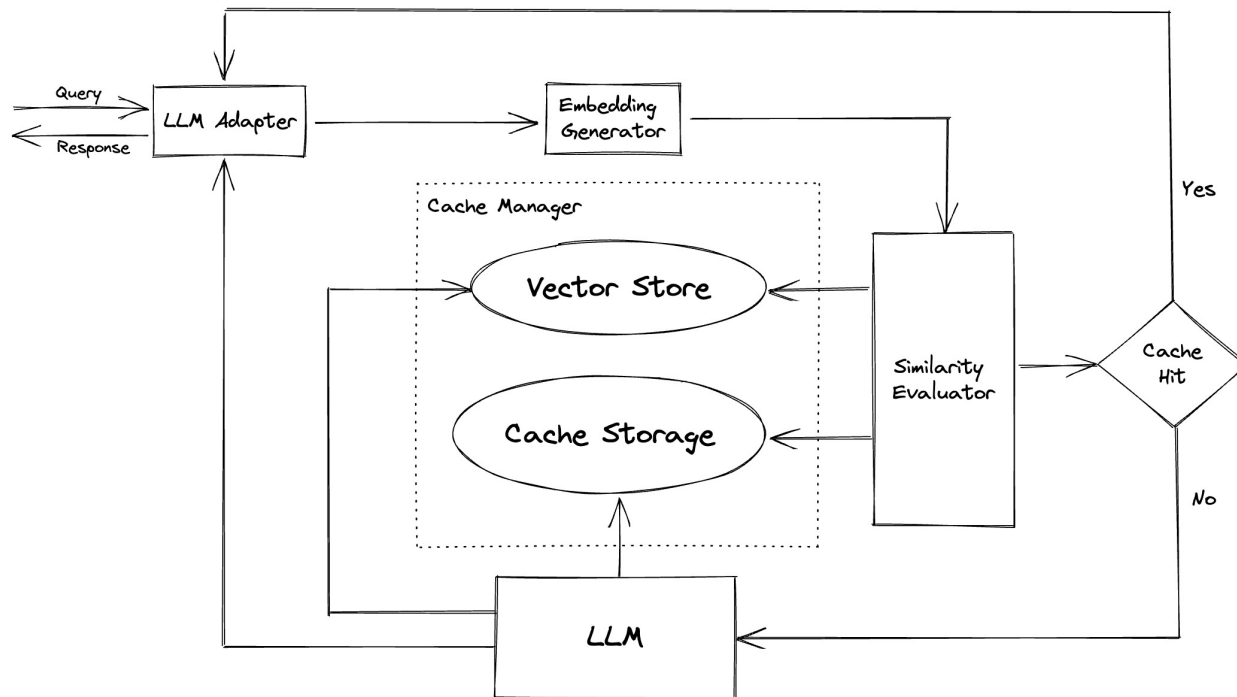
- Provides **solution to context length limitations** of large language models
- Capable of **addressing topic changes** in conversation without context overflow

### Use Cases

- Chatbots
- Information retrieval
- Continuous Knowledge Gathering

# LLM Query Caching

Speed up Applications and Save Cost



<https://github.com/zilliztech/GPTCache>

## Description

- Vector database used to cache similar queries and answers
- Queries embedded and used as a cache lookup prior to LLM invocation

## Benefits

- **Saves on computational and monetary cost** of calling LLM models.
- Can **speed up applications** (LLMs are slow)

## Use Cases

- Every single use case we've talked about that uses an LLM.

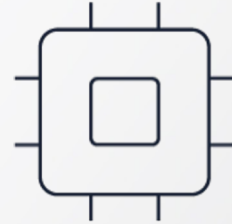
# Build on Redis Vector Database



**Context Retrieval**



**LLM "Memory"**



**LLM Cache**

[https://github.com/RedisVentures/  
redis.com/solutions/use-cases/vector-database/](https://github.com/RedisVentures/redis.com/solutions/use-cases/vector-database/)



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