

## Special Issue

# Recent Advances in Symmetry-Based Approaches to Retrieval-Augmented Generation in Large Language Models

### Message from the Guest Editors

Large Language Models (LLMs) demonstrate remarkable capabilities but face challenges such as hallucinations, outdated information, and opaque reasoning processes. Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) has emerged as a promising approach to mitigate these challenges by integrating external knowledge sources and enhancing the accuracy and reliability of generated content, especially for knowledge-intensive tasks. The concept of symmetry can help ensure a balanced interaction between the internal knowledge of LLMs and the external resources they access, leading to more efficient and accurate performance. We welcome contributions focused on the following topics:

- Breakthroughs in RAG on LLM;
- Real-world case studies in the deployment of RAG on LLM;
- Optimization techniques for enhanced performance and efficiency;
- RAG on LLMs in low-resource settings and languages;
- Cross-disciplinary applications of LLMs;
- Security and privacy concerns related to RAG on LLM applications;
- Future trends and predictions in RAG development;
- Applications of RAG on LLMs in healthcare.

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