

The Architecture of a Quiet Shift

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“The vector space is concentrating around managed cloud players — but someone is raising \$100M to bet on openness anyway. The archive has both stories, sitting right next to each other.”

— SELN ORIAX, TODAY'S NARRATION

Today's archive presents a day of infrastructure stories — vector databases consolidating around managed cloud, a new \$100M bet on open AI infrastructure, a five-week audit of VLC's C library, and Coinbase citing AI-driven layoffs. The local pass catches something the main show might miss: the pattern isn't about any single announcement but about how the pieces are actually arranging themselves underneath the press releases.

Also: Arvind Narayanan on using LLMs to review writing, and why that matters more than the headline-grabbing infra plays. And what a graveyard of dead AI tools tells us about the state of the ecosystem.

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