




LangGraph vs Autogen vs Crew AI

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Overview

Feature	LangGraph	Autogen (Microsoft)	Crew AI
Type	Agent workflow engine	Multi-agent framework	Agent team orchestration
Best For	Visualizing and controlling agent flows	LLM + tool agent simulations	Structured task delegation among AI agents
Focus	Graph-based workflows	Agent conversations + tool use	Role-based collaboration
Code First?	Yes	Yes	Yes (with light abstraction)

What They Are



Core Idea: You build agent workflows using stateful graphs, where nodes represent steps or agents, and edges are transitions.

Based On: LangChain + state machine concepts.

Cool Bits:

- Easy to implement cyclical or multi-path flows.
- Maintains memory/state at each node.
- Visualizable and debug-friendly.

Use Case Fit:

- Complex workflows (e.g., research loops, iterative agents).
- You want fine control over when/how agents interact.





Core Idea: From Microsoft, Autogen creates multi-agent conversation-based systems. Each agent is like a persona, chatting and executing tasks.

Based On: GPT APIs + human-in-the-loop design patterns.

Cool Bits

- Easy to simulate teamwork.
- Built-in agent classes like UserProxyAgent, AssistantAgent.
- Tool integration is smooth (via function calling or custom tools).

Use Case Fit

- Rapid prototyping of collaborative agents.
- When agents need to reason together in chat-like flows.



Core Idea: Think of this like a startup team of agents, each with a job. You “hire” agents with a role, assign a task, and let them collaborate.

Inspired By: BabyAGI & hierarchical task planning.

Cool Bits

- Super easy to onboard.
- Emphasizes structure and clarity: roles, goals, tools.
- Clean task delegation — more like project management.

Use Case Fit

- Task splitting (e.g., "writer", "researcher", "editor" agents).
- When human-like job roles are easy to model.



Hands-On Comparison

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Conceptual Differences

- **LangGraph** is like a flowchart: you control the logic, the states, and the memory. Best when you want to know exactly what's happening and when.
- **Autogen** is more like a group chat of smart agents: it's conversation-first and great when agents need to debate, decide, or iterate together.
- **Crew AI** is like managing a small team: assign roles, goals, and tools, then let them operate semi-autonomously. It's ideal for tasks with clear job division.

When To Use What?

Scenario	Best Choice
You want a visual flow of agent logic	LangGraph
You're simulating collaborative decision-making	Autogen
You need a small AI team for task execution	Crew AI
You want deep LangChain integration	LangGraph
You're building a conversational agent system	Autogen
You prefer role-based simplicity	Crew AI