Building Reliable Agent Workflows with LangChain's

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- AI Management Consultant | Data Science Specialist at World Bank
- LLMs, Agentic AI, RAG Systems, and AI-powered Business Solutions Suadeo France
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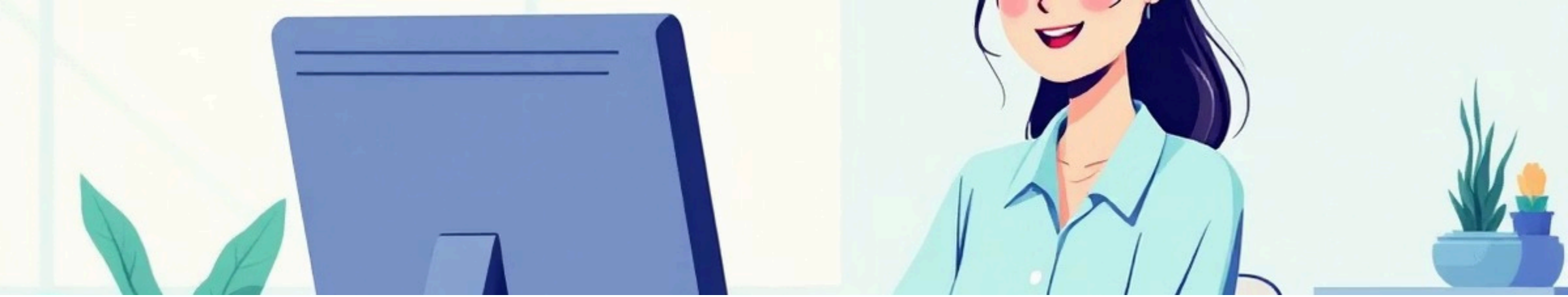
What are Agents?

Agents = AI assistants that can:

Talk to you (Messages)	Use tools (Calculator, Web Search, Database)	Decide what to do next
Natural conversation interface	Access external capabilities	Autonomous decision making

Analogy: Like a personal assistant who can call, Google, or check files.

Workflows vs Agents

Workflow = fixed recipe

Agent = flexible chef

Reliable systems = both combined

LangChain Messages

Messages are like WhatsApp:

Text

Plaintext communication

Images

Visual content sharing

Tool Calls

Function invocations

Citations

Source references

ⓘ **Why useful?**   Same format works across all AI models.

LangChain Tools

Tools are the agent's skills:

Calculator	Search	Database
Mathematical computations	Web information retrieval	Data storage and queries

Why Reliability Matters

Problems today:

Forget context

Lose track of conversation history

Pick wrong tool

Choose inappropriate functions

Break on errors

Fail without graceful recovery

Hard to debug

Difficult to trace issues

Analogy: Like a car that stalls in the middle of the road.

What Reliability Means

Consistency

Predictable behavior across runs

Error handling

Graceful failure recovery

Predictability

Expected outcomes

Debuggability

Easy troubleshooting

Scalability

Performance under load

Analogy: Like a banking app you trust not to lose $1.

How to Build Reliable Agents

Context Management ³ meeting minutes

Maintain conversation state

Fallbacks spare tire

Backup strategies for failures

Human-in-the-loop pilot + autopilot

Human oversight when needed

Observability black box

System visibility and monitoring

Testing crash test

Comprehensive validation

Middleware control hooks

Intercept and modify behavior

Demo: Travel Assistant

> User:"Plana3-dayDubai trip with
> 500
> USD"

Search attractions

Find popular Dubai destinations

Calculator budget

Calculate costs and allocations

Summarize results

Create comprehensive travel plan

Fallback if search fails

Alternative data sources

Key Takeaway + Q&A

LangChain =

Universal Messages

Consistent format across models

Reliable Tools

Robust agent capabilities

Questions & Answers