

Workshop:  
CREW AI Introduction &  
building a multiagent  
system



# 6 steps for building an agent



1

## Clearly define the use case

Goals | success metrics | failure tolerance | human escalation

2

## Arrange all relevant data

Relevant org data | business process documentation

3

## Define agent actions

Access to relevant tools | Agent architecture

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## Select building methods

Build/ buy | Which tools

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## Build, test, improve

Real scenarios | Add guardrails | Refine architecture

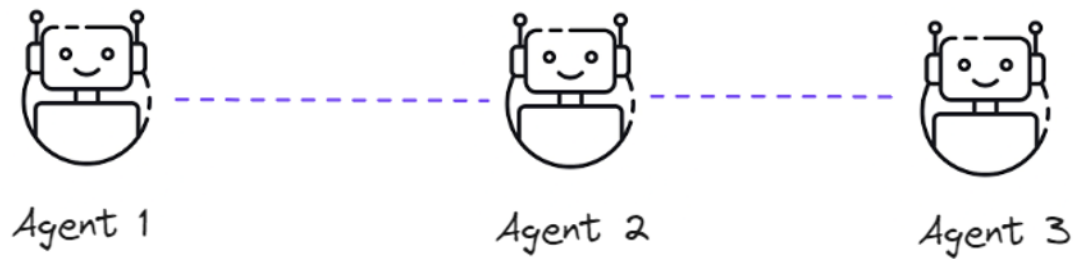
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## Deploy in production

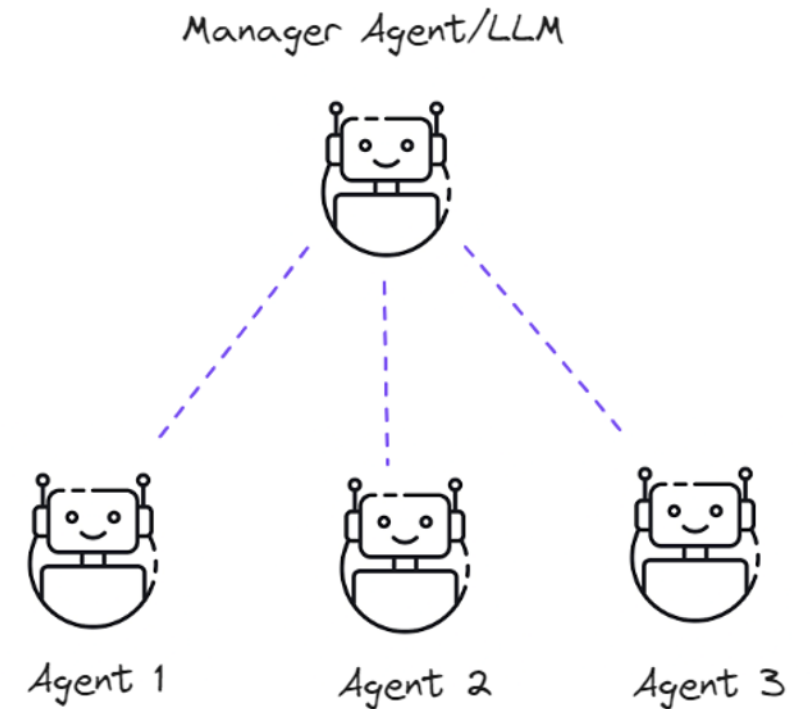
Monitor | protect | refine

# Multi-agent architectures

## Sequential Process



## Hierarchical Process



# Introduction to Crew AI



- Multi-agent platform – agents can interact & collaborate to reach complex goals
- Open-source and paid options
- Python-based, but mostly prompting
- Intuitive and flexible, makes it easy to build
- Each agent has a specialized role & tasks
- Agents can work serially or in parallel; can share info

# Crew AI main Building blocks

- Agents

```
security_specialist = Agent(  
    role="Security Specialist",  
    goal="Identify and fix security vulnerabilities in C code",  
    backstory="An expert in security vulnerabilities with 15 years of experience in  
analyzing C code for security issues.",  
    Additional optional parameters...
```

- Tasks

```
security_review_task = Task(  
    description=f"""  
        Review the following C code for security vulnerabilities:  
        {sample_code}  
        Identify any security issues such as buffer overflows, improper input  
validation,  
        or other security concerns. Be specific about line numbers and exact issues.  
        Reference any violations of these guidelines:  
        {CODING_GUIDELINES}  
    """,  
    agent=security_specialist,  
    expected_output="A detailed report of security vulnerabilities found in the code"  
)
```

- Crews

# Crew AI main Building blocks

- Agents
- Tasks
- Crews

```
crew = Crew(  
    agents=[  
        security_specialist,  
        memory_specialist,  
        style_specialist,  
        optimization_specialist,  
        technical_writer  
    ],  
    tasks=[  
        security_review_task,  
        memory_review_task,  
        style_review_task,  
        optimization_review_task,  
        final_report_task  
    ],  
    verbose=True,  
    process=Process.sequential  
)
```

## Additional advanced options

- Memory – help the agents get more reliable results
  - Short-term – during task execution, shared across agents
  - Entity memory – during execution stores the subjects the agents work on
  - Long-term – local DB – stored after execution; leads to self-improvement
- Tools – what the agents can operate – choose wisely, use or create
  - Web search; call an API; Connect to DB; Send notifications;...
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## List of optional Add-ons/ decisions

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# Additional optional customizations

<b>Tools</b> (Optional)	Represents the capabilities or methods the agent uses for tasks, from simple functions to complex integrations.
<b>Cache</b> (Optional)	Determines if the agent should use a cache for tool usage.
<b>Max RPM</b>	Sets the maximum requests per minute (max_rpm). Can be set to None for unlimited requests to external services.
<b>Verbose</b> (Optional)	Enables detailed logging for debugging and optimization, providing insights into execution processes.
<b>Allow Delegation</b> (Optional)	Controls task delegation to other agents, default is False.
<b>Max Iter</b> (Optional)	Limits the maximum number of iterations (max_iter) for a task to prevent infinite loops, with a default of 25.
<b>Max Execution Time</b> (Optional)	Sets the maximum time allowed for an agent to complete a task.
<b>System Template</b> (Optional)	Defines the system format for the agent.
<b>Prompt Template</b> (Optional)	Defines the prompt format for the agent.
<b>Response Template</b> (Optional)	Defines the response format for the agent.
<b>Use System Prompt</b> (Optional)	Controls whether the agent will use a system prompt during task execution.

# Customizing agents and tools

```
import os
from crewai import Agent
from crewai_tools import SerperDevTool

# Set API keys for tool initialization
os.environ["OPENAI_API_KEY"] = "Your Key"
os.environ["SERPER_API_KEY"] = "Your Key"

# Initialize a search tool
search_tool = SerperDevTool()

# Initialize the agent with advanced options
agent = Agent(
    role='Research Analyst',
    goal='Provide up-to-date market analysis',
    backstory='An expert analyst with a keen eye for market trends.',
    tools=[search_tool],
    memory=True, # Enable memory
    verbose=True,
    max_rpm=None, # No limit on requests per minute
    max_iter=25, # Default value for maximum iterations
)
```

# Delegation and Autonomy

- Allow\_delegation default = false – not allowing agents to seek assistance or delegate tasks

```
agent = Agent(  
    role='Content Writer',  
    goal='Write engaging content on market trends',  
    backstory='A seasoned writer with expertise in market analysis.',  
    allow_delegation=True # Enabling delegation  
)
```

# CREW AI – Additional Materials

- [Workshop examples](#)
- [Crew AI homepage](#)
- [Crew AI example repository](#)
- [Crew AI free course](#)
- [Good quick start github repo](#)
- [Blog: how to build an agent to automate code review](#)