

# LangGraph Ultimate Cheat Sheet

*Stateful, Multi-Actor Applications with LLMs*

## 1 Core Concepts

### StateGraph

The core container. It explicitly defines the state schema that all nodes access and modify.

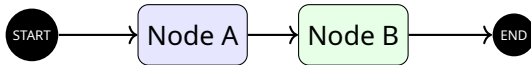
### Nodes

Python functions that perform work (LLM calls, tool execution). They receive the current state and return an update.

### Edges

Define the control flow.

- **Normal:** Fixed transition (A → B).
- **Conditional:** Dynamic transition based on state (Router).



## 2 Defining State

State is usually a TypedDict or Pydantic model.

### Basic State

```
from typing import TypedDict

class State(TypedDict):
    # Overwrites value on update
    input: str
    output: str
```

**Message State (Chat)** Use `add_messages` reducer to append history rather than overwrite.

```
from typing import Annotated
from langgraph.graph.message import \
    add_messages

class AgentState(TypedDict):
    # Appends new messages to list
    messages: Annotated[list, add_messages]
```

## 3 Building Graphs

### 1. Define Nodes

```
def chatbot(state: AgentState):
    return {"messages": ["Hello!"]}

def tool_node(state: AgentState):
    # Execute tool logic...
    return {"messages": ["Tool Result"]}
```

## 2. Construct Graph

```
from langgraph.graph import \
    StateGraph, START, END

builder = StateGraph(AgentState)

# Add Nodes
builder.add_node("bot", chatbot)
builder.add_node("tools", tool_node)
```

```
# Add Edges (Linear)
builder.add_edge(START, "bot")
builder.add_edge("tools", "bot")
# Cycle: tools -> bot
```

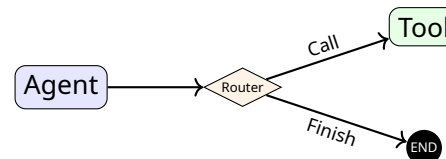
## 3. Compile

```
graph = builder.compile()

# Invoke
res = graph.invoke(
    {"messages": [{"user": "Hi"}]}
)
```

## 4 Conditional Edges

Dynamic routing (e.g., "Should I call a tool or end?").



### The Router Function

```
def route_tools(state: AgentState):
    last_msg = state["messages"][-1]
    # Check if LLM wants to use tool
    if last_msg.tool_calls:
        return "tools"
    return END
```

### Adding Conditional Edge

```
builder.add_conditional_edges(
    "bot",          # Source node
    route_tools,    # Decision function
    # Path map (Optional if names match)
    {"tools": "tools", END: END}
)
```

## 5 Persistence (Memory)

Allows the graph to remember state across interactions (Checkpointing).

## Setup Checkpointer

```
from langgraph.checkpoint.memory \
    import MemorySaver

memory = MemorySaver()

# Compile with checkpointer
graph = builder.compile(checkpointer=memory)
```

**Threaded Execution** Use `thread_id` to isolate user sessions.

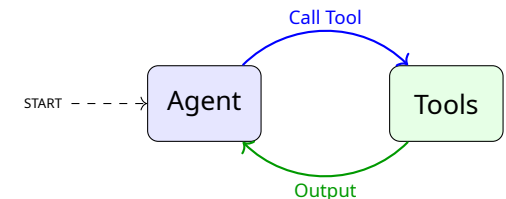
```
config = {"configurable":
    {"thread_id": "user_1"}}

# First turn
graph.invoke(
    {"messages": [{"user": "Hi"}]},
    config=config
)

# Second turn (remembers context)
graph.invoke(
    {"messages": [{"user": "My name is..."}]},
    config=config
)
```

## 6 Prebuilt Agents

LangGraph provides a prebuilt ReAct agent pattern.



### create\_react\_agent

```
from langgraph.prebuilt import \
    create_react_agent
from langchain_openai import ChatOpenAI

model = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4o")
tools = [search_tool, math_tool]

# Creates node/edges automatically
agent = create_react_agent(
    model,
    tools=tools,
    checkpointer=memory
)

agent.invoke(
```

```
{ "messages": [{"user", "Weather?"}]},
config=config
}
```

## 7 Human-in-the-loop

*Pause execution for approval or input.*

### Interrupt Before

```
# Pause before entering 'tools' node
graph = builder.compile(
    checkpointer=memory,
    interrupt_before=["tools"]
)
```

```
)
```

### Resuming Execution

```
# 1. Run until interrupt
graph.invoke(inputs, config=config)

# 2. Inspect State (Snapshot)
snapshot = graph.get_state(config)
print(snapshot.next) # ('tools',)

# 3. Resume (None = proceed as planned)
graph.invoke(None, config=config)
# OR Update state before resuming
# graph.update_state(config, ...)
```

## 8 Visualization

*Generate an image of the graph structure.*

```
from IPython.display import Image, display

display(
    Image(
        graph.get_graph().draw_mermaid_png()
    )
)
```