

Lesson 4 Demo 01

Build the Right Tools

Objective: To demonstrate building essential tool files that empower AI agents in a CrewAI-based trip planner

These tools enhance the agent's ability to retrieve real-time travel data and perform necessary calculations, ensuring accurate and efficient itinerary planning. The following tools will be developed to serve two key purposes:

1. Search tool: To fetch real-time travel information from external sources
2. Calculator tool: To perform essential computations for itinerary planning

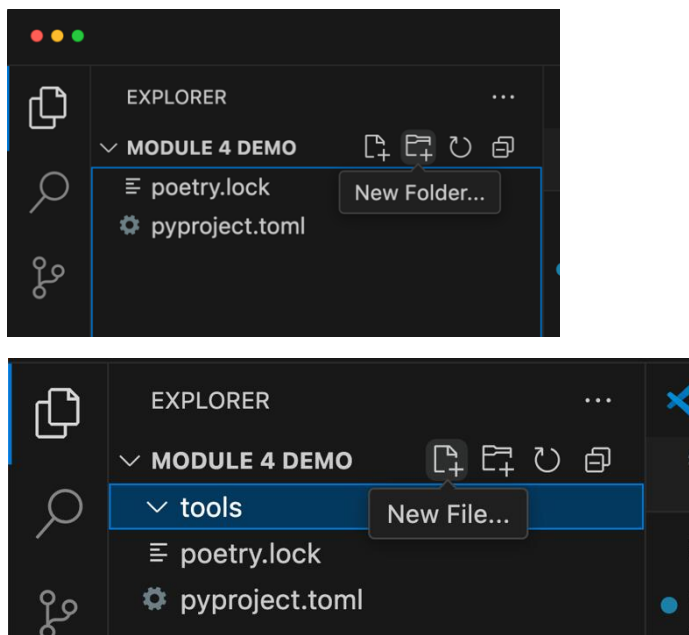
Tools required: VSCode

Prerequisites: Complete the lesson 4 prerequisite demo

Steps to be followed:

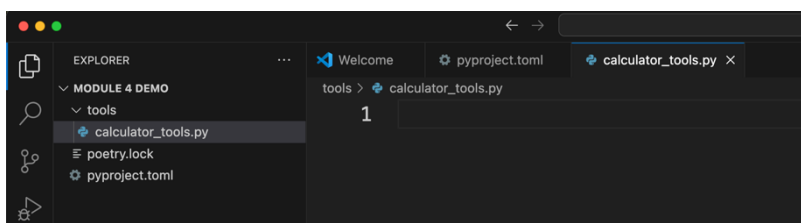
1. Create a new folder named *tools* inside the project folder
2. Create a `calculator_tools.py` inside this folder
3. Create a `search_tools.py` inside the same folder
4. Save the files

Step 1: Create a new folder named *tools* inside the project folder

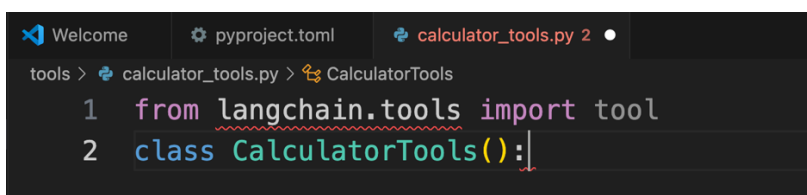


Step 2: Create a *calculator_tools.py* inside this folder

2.1 Create the new file `calculator_tools.py`



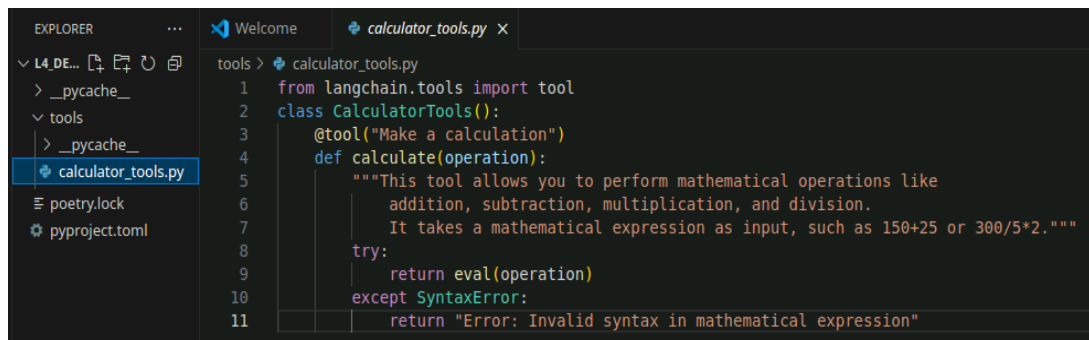
2.2 Define the class: Create `CalculatorTools`, which provides a tool for mathematical calculations.



2.3 Register the tool: Use the `@tool("Make a calculation")` decorator to make the `calculate` method available for execution.

2.4 Evaluate expressions: Accept a mathematical expression as a string and compute the result using `eval()`.

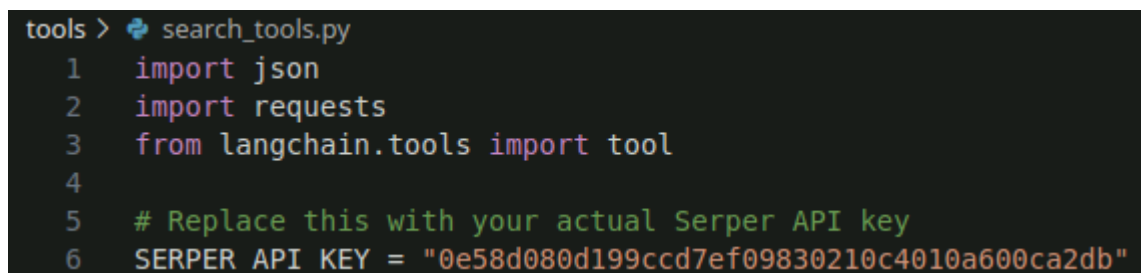
- 2.5 Handle errors: Catch syntax errors and return a friendly error message if the input is invalid.



```
1 from langchain.tools import tool
2 class CalculatorTools():
3     @tool("Make a calculation")
4     def calculate(operation):
5         """This tool allows you to perform mathematical operations like
6         addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
7         It takes a mathematical expression as input, such as 150+25 or 300/5*2."""
8         try:
9             return eval(operation)
10        except SyntaxError:
11            return "Error: Invalid syntax in mathematical expression"
```

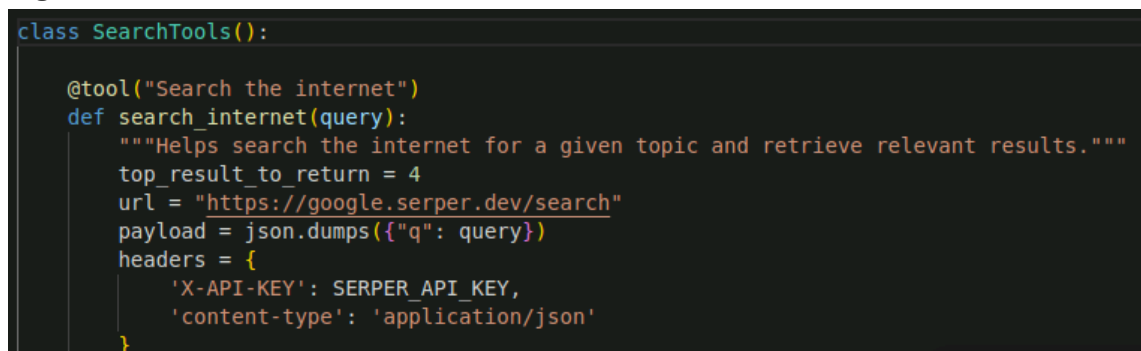
Step 3: Create a *search_tools.py* inside the same folder

- 3.1 Import dependencies: Load necessary modules (`json`, `requests`) and the tool decorator from `langchain.tools`, also create the variable to store SERPER API KEY.



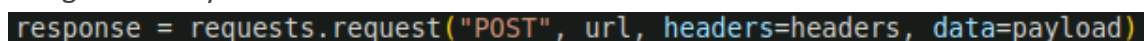
```
1 import json
2 import requests
3 from langchain.tools import tool
4
5 # Replace this with your actual Serper API key
6 SERPER_API_KEY = "0e58d080d199ccd7ef09830210c4010a600ca2db"
```

- 3.2 Define the class: Create `SearchTools` with a method `search_internet`, registered as a tool for internet searches.



```
class SearchTools():
    @tool("Search the internet")
    def search_internet(query):
        """Helps search the internet for a given topic and retrieve relevant results."""
        top_result_to_return = 4
        url = "https://google.serper.dev/search"
        payload = json.dumps({"q": query})
        headers = {
            'X-API-KEY': SERPER_API_KEY,
            'content-type': 'application/json'
        }
```

- 3.3 Make an API request: Send a POST request to Serper API with the search query, using an API key from environment variables.



```
response = requests.request("POST", url, headers=headers, data=payload)
```

- 3.4 Process and return results: Extract and format the top search results, handling errors if no results are found

```
if 'organic' not in response.json():
    return """Apologies, I couldn't locate any results for that query.
    The problem might be with your Serper API key."""
else:
    results = response.json()['organic']
    string = []
    for result in results[:top_result_to_return]:
        try:
            string.append('\n'.join([
                f"Title: {result['title']}", f"Link: {result['link']}",
                f"Snippet: {result['snippet']}", "\n-----"
            ]))
        except KeyError:
            continue

    return '\n'.join(string)
```

Step 4: Save the files