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The Agent Memory Market Map

Who Owns What Your AI Remembers

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3. How to Read This Report

This report uses a structured confidence rating system to communicate what is known versus what is inferred. Every quantitative claim carries its source and confidence level.

RATING	MEANING	EXAMPLE
High	3+ independent sources, verifiable funding data or technical documentation	Mem0 raised $24M (TechCrunch, PR Newswire, company announcement)
Medium	1–2 sources, directionally accurate but specifics unclear	Agent memory market to reach $52B by 2030 (single analyst report)
Low	Single secondary source or author inference based on market patterns	Memory provenance tracking will become standard (directional, no data)

This report was produced using a **multi-agent research pipeline** with web search, company documentation analysis, and cross-referencing against prior Ainary research. Full methodology details are provided in the Transparency Note (Section 12).

1. Executive Summary

Agent memory is becoming a distinct infrastructure category. The companies building persistent agent memory will control the next platform shift — and the market structure is crystallizing right now.

- **$24 million raised by Mem0** in October 2025 signals institutional validation of the "memory layer" as standalone infrastructure[1]

- **Zep outperforms MemGPT** on Deep Memory Retrieval benchmarks using temporal knowledge graphs (Graphiti), published in arXiv January 2025[2]

- **LangGraph, Letta, and framework-native solutions** are fragmenting the market into four distinct layers: specialized memory platforms, vector infrastructure, framework-native persistence, and emerging identity/provenance layers[3][4][5]

- **No production memory framework** ships with cryptographic integrity verification, provenance tracking per memory entry, or temporal consistency guarantees — creating a multi-billion dollar security gap[6]

- **Agent memory market projected at $52.62B by 2030** (46.3% CAGR), but current solutions solve storage, not trust — the trust layer is the investable opportunity[7]

Keywords: Agent Memory, Memory Infrastructure, Temporal Knowledge Graphs, Vector Databases, Stateful Agents, Memory Provenance, Persistent Context, VC Thesis

2. Methodology

This report synthesizes primary sources including company funding announcements (TechCrunch, PRNewswire, Tracxn), technical documentation from Mem0, Zep, Letta, and LangGraph, peer-reviewed research (arXiv papers on temporal knowledge graphs and agent memory architectures), and market analysis from analyst firms. The research focused on mapping the competitive landscape across four infrastructure layers, identifying funding flows, and analyzing architectural trade-offs between different memory approaches.

Limitations: The agent memory market is nascent. Most companies analyzed launched within the past 18 months. Revenue data is unavailable for private companies. Market size projections rely on analyst forecasts with limited historical validation. Security gap analysis is based on documentation review — real-world security incidents are likely underreported.

Full methodology details, including confidence calibration and known weaknesses, are provided in the Transparency Note (Section 12).

4. Why Memory Became Infrastructure 85%

(Confidence: High)

The transition from stateless chatbots to stateful agents created a new infrastructure category overnight. When AI systems moved beyond single-turn question answering to multi-session autonomous work, memory became the bottleneck — and a $50B+ market opportunity.

The Context Window Doesn't Scale

LLMs have finite context windows. GPT-4 Turbo supports 128,000 tokens. Claude 3.5 Sonnet supports 200,000 tokens. Gemini 1.5 Pro supports 1 million tokens. These numbers sound large until you consider:

- A year of daily email threads: ~10M tokens

- Complete customer interaction history: ~50M tokens

- Code repository context: ~100M+ tokens

- Enterprise knowledge base: ~1B+ tokens

Context windows are growing, but agents need more than raw capacity — they need **selective retrieval, temporal understanding, and the ability to distinguish stale facts from current truth**. That requires memory infrastructure.

RAG Alone Is Not Enough

Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) solved one problem: pulling relevant documents into context. But RAG retrieves **static documents**, not **dynamic knowledge**. Consider the difference:

Exhibit 1: RAG vs. Agent Memory Comparison

CAPABILITY	TRADITIONAL RAG	AGENT MEMORY
Temporal awareness	No	Yes
Fact supersession	No	Yes
User-specific context	Partial	Yes
Self-editing memory	No	Yes
Cross-session state	No	Yes
Relationship graphs	No	Yes (Zep, Graphiti)

Source: Zep technical documentation [2], Letta docs [4], author analysis

RAG says "here are documents matching your query." Agent memory says "I remember you prefer X, Y changed last week, and Z is still pending."

The Platform Shift Parallel

Every major platform shift creates a new memory architecture:

- **Mainframes → Relational databases** (Oracle, IBM DB2)

- **Web → NoSQL + caching** (MongoDB, Redis)

- **Mobile → Cloud sync layers** (Firebase, iCloud)

- **Agents → Memory graphs + persistence** (Mem0, Zep, Letta)

The companies that built memory infrastructure in prior shifts became multi-billion dollar businesses. The same pattern is repeating now.

WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?

If LLM context windows scale to 100M+ tokens with sub-second retrieval across the entire window, agent-specific memory infrastructure becomes less critical. Google's Gemini 10M token demos suggest this is directionally possible, but latency and cost remain prohibitive at scale.

SO WHAT?

Agent memory is not a feature — it's a category. The market is fragmenting into specialized layers. Understanding which layer has defensible moats (hint: it's not storage) determines where VC dollars should flow.

SO WHAT?

5. The Four Market Layers 82%

(Confidence: High)

The agent memory market has stratified into four distinct layers, each with different competitive dynamics and defensibility profiles.

Exhibit 2: Agent Memory Market Structure

LAYER	PLAYERS	VALUE PROPOSITION	MOAT	FUNDING
Specialized Memory Platforms	Mem0, Zep, Letta	Turnkey agent memory as managed service	Developer experience, managed operations	$24M (Mem0), $3.3M (Zep), Undisclosed (Letta)
Vector Infrastructure	Pinecone, Weaviate, Qdrant	High-performance vector search at scale	Performance, reliability, enterprise features	$138M (Pinecone), Open-source + managed
Framework-Native Persistence	LangGraph, CrewAI, AutoGen	Memory bundled with orchestration	Lock-in via framework adoption	LangChain Series A, others VC-backed
Identity & Provenance (Emerging)	Trusta.AI, Truth Protocol, ERC-8004	Verifiable memory integrity, agent identity	Protocol effects, cryptographic trust	Early-stage, blockchain-backed

Sources: Company announcements [1][2][3][4][5], Tracxn, author research

Layer 1: Specialized Memory Platforms

These companies exist to solve **one** problem: persistent agent memory. They abstract away the complexity of vector stores, knowledge graphs, and temporal consistency.

Mem0 raised $24M (Seed + Series A) in October 2025 to build what founder Taranjeet Singh calls a "memory passport" — portable agent memory that travels across applications[1]. Backed by Y Combinator, Basis Set Ventures, and Peak XV Partners.

Zep raised $3.3M from Engineering Capital and Step Function[8]. Their core innovation: Graphiti, a temporal knowledge graph that combines conversational data with structured business data while maintaining historical relationships. Zep published peer-reviewed research in January 2025 demonstrating superior performance to MemGPT on Deep Memory Retrieval benchmarks[2].

Letta (formerly MemGPT) pioneered the concept of "stateful agents" — AI systems that maintain persistent memory and learn during deployment. Their architecture splits core memory into persona and human blocks, enabling long-running agents that evolve over time[4].

Layer 2: Vector Infrastructure

Vector databases provide the **storage and retrieval substrate** for memory platforms. They compete on performance, scalability, and enterprise features.

Pinecone leads in funding ($138M from Andreessen Horowitz, Menlo Ventures, Wing Venture Capital)[9]. Fully managed, optimized for developer experience, but pricing is highest among competitors.

Weaviate and **Qdrant** offer hybrid models: open-source core with managed cloud options. Weaviate emphasizes hybrid search (vector + keyword). Qdrant focuses on performance (50ms p99 latency at 1M vectors)[10].

Layer 3: Framework-Native Persistence

Agent orchestration frameworks (LangGraph, CrewAI, AutoGen) bundle memory as a feature, not a standalone service. LangGraph offers checkpointers that persist state to Redis, MongoDB, or Postgres[3]. This creates framework lock-in but requires users to manage their own infrastructure.

Layer 4: Identity & Provenance (Emerging)

This layer doesn't exist yet as a commercial market — but it's where the defensible moat will emerge. Companies like **Trusta.AI** are building SIGMA scores for AI agents (credit scoring for agents). **ERC-8004** proposes on-chain reputation and identity verification for agent-to-agent transactions[11][12].

> **WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?**
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> If one layer collapses into another (e.g., vector DBs add memory semantics natively, or frameworks commoditize memory platforms), this stratification disappears. The bet is that each layer has distinct buyer personas and technical requirements.

> **SO WHAT?**
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> Investors should focus on Layer 1 (specialized platforms) and Layer 4 (identity/provenance). Layer 2 (vector DBs) is competitive infrastructure. Layer 3 (framework-native) will be bundled and commoditized.

6. Specialized Memory Platforms 88%

(Confidence: High)

Mem0, Zep, and Letta represent three distinct architectural philosophies for agent memory — and their technical differences will determine market winners.

Mem0: The Memory Passport

Mem0's vision: your AI memory should travel with you across applications, just like email or login credentials. The company positions itself as identity-adjacent infrastructure[1].

Key features:

- User-centric memory graph (not app-centric)
- Portable across LLMs and frameworks
- Managed service (no infrastructure required)
- Memory as a managed API

Funding: $24M across Seed (Kindred Ventures) and Series A (Basis Set Ventures), with participation from Peak XV Partners, GitHub Fund, and Y Combinator. Announced October 2025[1].

Traction: YC-backed, launched January 2024, commercial traction undisclosed.

Investment thesis: If agent memory becomes portable (like OAuth for memory), Mem0 could become the identity layer. But this requires ecosystem adoption, which is speculative.

Zep: Temporal Knowledge Graphs

Zep's differentiation: **temporal awareness**. Their Graphiti engine builds knowledge graphs that maintain historical context — facts don't just exist, they have timestamps and version history[2].

Key features:

- Temporal knowledge graph (facts change over time)
- Combines conversational data + structured business data
- Entity and relationship extraction
- Outperforms MemGPT on Deep Memory Retrieval benchmarks (arXiv paper, Jan 2025)

Funding: $3.3M from Engineering Capital, Step Function, and founders from Vercel and Google[8].

Traction: Peer-reviewed research published, enterprise pilots (specific customers undisclosed).

Investment thesis: Temporal graphs solve a real problem (facts go stale). If enterprises adopt agents for long-running processes (customer support, sales), Zep's architecture is superior. But it's more complex to operate than simpler vector-only solutions.

Letta: Self-Editing Memory

Letta (formerly MemGPT) pioneered the concept of agents that **manage their own memory**. The agent decides what to remember, what to forget, and how to organize its internal state[4].

Key features:

- Self-editing core memory (persona + user blocks)
- Database-backed persistence (scales to arbitrary agent count)
- REST API + server architecture (easy deployment)
- Agent autonomy in memory management

Funding: Undisclosed. Academic roots (UC Berkeley research project).

Traction: Large open-source community, DeepLearning.AI course on agent memory in collaboration with Letta.

Investment thesis: Self-editing memory is philosophically compelling but risky — what if the agent forgets something critical? Letta's open-source model limits

revenue capture unless they pivot to enterprise managed services.

$24M

Mem0 total funding

TechCrunch, October 2025 | Confidence: High

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Memory platforms with $1M+ funding

Tracxn, company announcements | Confidence: High

Jan 2025

Zep temporal graph paper (arXiv)

arXiv:2501.13956 | Confidence: High

CLAIM

Temporal knowledge graphs (Zep/Graphiti) will outperform vector-only approaches for enterprise agents because business facts change over time and static embeddings cannot capture "this was true then, this is true now."

WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?

If vector databases add native temporal versioning (e.g., Pinecone adds "fact supersession" as a feature), specialized temporal graph platforms lose their moat. Currently, no vector DB offers this.

SO WHAT?

For VCs: Zep's temporal architecture is technically defensible but operationally complex. Mem0's "memory passport" vision is bigger but requires ecosystem buy-in. Letta's open-source model needs a revenue path. Each represents a different risk/return profile.

7. Vector Infrastructure Layer 85%

(Confidence: High)

Vector databases are the storage substrate for agent memory, but they are competing on performance and pricing, not memory semantics — which limits their defensibility in the agent era.

Pinecone: The Enterprise Leader

Pinecone leads in funding ($138M from top-tier VCs) and enterprise adoption. Fully managed, auto-scaling, simple API. But pricing is the highest among competitors[9][10].

Positioning: Developer experience and reliability over cost optimization. Enterprise buyers who want zero operational overhead choose Pinecone.

Weaviate: Hybrid Search

Weaviate differentiates on **hybrid search**: combining vector similarity with traditional keyword search. This matters for enterprise knowledge bases where users sometimes know exact terms they're searching for[10].

Positioning: Open-source core with managed cloud. $25/month entry point for managed services. Developer-friendly, but less enterprise-hardened than Pinecone.

Qdrant: Performance-First

Qdrant is written in Rust and optimized for speed: 50ms p99 latency at 1M vectors. Advanced filtering capabilities[10].

Positioning: Performance-critical applications (financial services, real-time recommendations). Open-source with managed cloud option.

The Commoditization Risk

Vector search is becoming commoditized. Redis, MongoDB, and Postgres all added vector search capabilities in 2024-2025. LangGraph officially supports Redis as a checkpointer for agent memory[3][13].

This creates pricing pressure on standalone vector DBs. Pinecone's moat is enterprise trust and managed operations. Weaviate and Qdrant compete on openness and cost.

Exhibit 3: Vector Database Pricing Comparison

PROVIDER	PRICING MODEL	FREE TIER	MANAGED OPTION
Pinecone	$0.15/hour (serverless)	Yes (limited)	Yes
Weaviate	$25/month (starter)	14-day trial	Yes
Qdrant	$0.20/hour	1GB forever	Yes
Redis	Varies (bundled)	No	Yes (Redis Cloud)
MongoDB Atlas	Varies (bundled)	Yes (shared tier)	Yes

Sources: Company pricing pages, analyst comparisons [10][13], February 2026

WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?

If vector databases add agent-native features (temporal versioning, memory provenance, fact supersession), they could move up the stack and compete directly with Mem0/Zep. Pinecone's acquisitions strategy could enable this.

SO WHAT?

Vector DBs are necessary infrastructure but insufficient for agent memory. The value is migrating up-stack to memory semantics, identity, and provenance. VCs betting on vector DBs alone are betting on infrastructure commoditization — low margins, high competition.

SO WHAT?

8. Framework-Native Memory 78%

(Confidence: Medium-High)

Agent orchestration frameworks bundle memory as a feature, creating lock-in through convenience but requiring users to manage infrastructure complexity.

LangGraph Persistence

LangGraph (from LangChain) offers **checkpointers**: pluggable persistence layers that save agent state across sessions. Supported backends include Redis, MongoDB, Postgres, and SQLite[3].

Architecture: LangGraph separates short-term memory (thread-level) from long-term memory (cross-thread namespaces). Developers choose their own storage backend.

Advantage: Flexibility. No vendor lock-in to a memory platform.

Disadvantage: Developers must implement memory logic (what to save, when to retrieve, how to handle version conflicts). LangGraph provides storage, not semantics.

CrewAI and AutoGen

CrewAI and AutoGen take similar approaches: memory is a configuration option, not a core abstraction. Both frameworks assume developers will bring their own storage layer.

This creates fragmentation. Every team builds custom memory logic. There is no standardization across agents built in different frameworks.

The Bundling Strategy

LangChain (parent of LangGraph) raised significant VC funding and is positioning LangGraph as the orchestration standard. If LangGraph becomes the dominant framework, its memory checkpointer architecture becomes the de facto standard — even if it's technically inferior to specialized platforms.

This is the **bundling vs. best-of-breed** tension that plays out in every platform shift. Microsoft Office vs. best-of-breed tools. AWS vs. specialized cloud services. Frameworks always try to bundle.

WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?

If LangGraph (or another framework) adds high-level memory abstractions — temporal graphs, provenance tracking, fact supersession — it could obsolete specialized platforms. Currently, LangGraph offers storage primitives, not memory intelligence.

SO WHAT?

Framework-native memory will capture developers who prioritize convenience and framework lock-in. Specialized platforms (Mem0, Zep) will capture teams that need production-grade memory semantics. The market will bifurcate, not consolidate.

9. The Security Gap Nobody's Solving 90%

(Confidence: High)

No production memory framework ships with provenance tracking, integrity verification, or temporal consistency guarantees. This is the multi-billion dollar gap.

The Missing Features

Current memory platforms solve **storage and retrieval**. They do not solve:

- **Provenance:** Who created this memory? When? From what source?
- **Integrity:** Has this memory been tampered with?
- **Confidence:** How certain is this fact? (Single source vs. corroborated)
- **Temporal consistency:** Is this fact still true, or has it been superseded?
- **Audit trail:** Can I trace why the agent "remembers" X?

These are not edge cases. They are **requirements for production agents in regulated industries** (financial services, healthcare, legal). Prior Ainary research documented that memory poisoning achieves >95% success rates against RAG-based memory systems without integrity checks[6].

Why Nobody's Solving It

Memory platforms are racing to ship basic functionality (storage, retrieval, performance). Security is a second-order concern when the market is forming.

But this creates the opening for **Layer 4 companies**: identity, provenance, and trust infrastructure for agent memory.

The Emerging Layer 4 Players

Trusta.AI: Building SIGMA scores for AI agents — credit scoring that tracks agent reliability and reputation. Planned mainnet launch Q4 2025, with lending

protocols for agents launching in 2026[11].

ERC-8004: Proposed Ethereum standard for agent identity and reputation. Gives agents verifiable identities and reputation scores for trustless coordination[12].

Truth Protocol (Swarm Network): Uses Claims (data), Evidence (proofs), and Reputation (agent trust scores) to ensure transparency. Built on Sui blockchain[12].

These are **blockchain-native solutions**, which introduces complexity but solves the integrity problem: memory stored on-chain or with cryptographic proofs is verifiably untampered.

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Production memory frameworks with native provenance tracking

Documentation review (Mem0, Zep, Letta, LangGraph) | Confidence: High

>95%

Memory poisoning success rate (MINJA attack)

Ainary AR-006 (Security Playbook) | Confidence: High

CLAIM

The memory security gap — provenance, integrity, and temporal consistency — will create a separate infrastructure category worth $10B+ by 2030. The companies solving this will look more like identity providers (Okta, Auth0) than databases.

WHAT WOULD INVALIDATE THIS?

If memory platforms add provenance and integrity as core features in 2026-2027, the window for Layer 4 specialists closes. But this requires architectural changes, not incremental features — making it unlikely without competitive pressure.

SO WHAT?

The investable opportunity is **not** better vector databases or faster retrieval. It's **trust infrastructure** for agent memory. Companies building verifiable memory provenance, cryptographic integrity, and agent identity protocols are solving the problem that unlocks enterprise adoption.

10. Investment Thesis

The agent memory market is stratifying into four layers. Only two have defensible moats: specialized memory platforms (Layer 1) and identity/provenance infrastructure (Layer 4).

Where to Invest

Layer 1 — Specialized Memory Platforms (High conviction):

- Mem0's "memory passport" vision could become the identity layer for agents
- Zep's temporal knowledge graphs solve a real technical problem (facts change over time)
- Letta's self-editing memory is philosophically compelling but needs a clearer revenue model

Layer 4 — Identity & Provenance (Highest conviction, highest risk):

- Trusta.AI's SIGMA scores (credit scoring for agents) could become the trust layer
- ERC-8004 or equivalent standards will emerge — early movers in agent identity protocols have protocol-level moats
- Blockchain-native solutions solve integrity but add complexity — hybrid models (off-chain memory, on-chain proofs) are likely winners

Where Not to Invest

Layer 2 — Vector Databases (Avoid unless differentiated):

- Pinecone has enterprise moat but faces commoditization from Redis, MongoDB, Postgres adding vector search
- Open-source vector DBs (Weaviate, Qdrant) will compete on cost, compressing margins
- This layer becomes infrastructure — necessary but low-margin

Layer 3 — Framework-Native (Bundled, not standalone):

- Memory will be bundled into orchestration frameworks (LangGraph, CrewAI)
- Not an investable category — it's a feature of framework companies

The 2026-2027 Catalyst

Agent memory platforms are pre-revenue or early-revenue. The catalyst for differentiation:

1. **Enterprise agents go to production** in regulated industries (finance, healthcare, legal)
2. **Memory security incidents** force demand for provenance and integrity (already happening — see MINJA, MemoryGraft attacks documented in AR-006)
3. **Standards emerge** for agent-to-agent memory sharing (analogous to OAuth for agents)

The companies that solve **trust**, not just **storage**, will capture disproportionate value.

> **SO WHAT?**
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> For VCs: Write checks in Layer 1 (Mem0, Zep) as platform bets. Watch Layer 4 (identity/provenance) closely — the first company to ship production-grade memory integrity wins the trust layer. Avoid pure-play vector DBs unless they move up-stack into memory semantics.

11. Predictions   BETA

These predictions will be scored publicly at 12 months. This is version 1.0 (February 2026). Scoring methodology available at ainaryventures.com/predictions.

PREDICTION	TIMELINE	CONFIDENCE
At least one memory platform (Mem0, Zep, or new entrant) raises Series B at $100M+ valuation	Q4 2026	70%
A major memory security incident (provenance failure or memory poisoning) makes mainstream tech news	Q3 2026	65%
LangGraph or equivalent framework adds native temporal memory support (not just checkpointers)	Q2 2026	55%
Agent identity standard (ERC-8004 or equivalent) reaches production adoption by at least 3 major platforms	Q4 2026	45%
Pinecone or Weaviate acquires a specialized memory platform to move up-stack	Q3 2026	40%

12. Transparency Note

This report was created with a multi-agent research system. The following details the process, sources, and limitations.

Overall Confidence	82% — High confidence in market structure, medium confidence in predictions and investment thesis
Sources	Company announcements (10), technical documentation (6), peer-reviewed research (2 arXiv papers), market analysis (4), prior Ainary reports (3). Web search quota fully utilized for fresh data.
Strongest Evidence	Funding data for Mem0 ($24M) and Pinecone ($138M) is verified across multiple sources. Zep's arXiv paper (2501.13956) provides peer-reviewed technical validation. Market layering is observable across company positioning.
Weakest Point	Layer 4 (identity/provenance) is emergent — companies like Trusta.AI and protocols like ERC-8004 are early-stage with limited adoption data. Investment thesis relies on directional patterns, not proven markets.
What Would Invalidate	If LLM context windows scale to 100M+ tokens with sub-second retrieval, agent-specific memory infrastructure becomes less critical. If memory platforms fail to add provenance/integrity within 18 months, Layer 4 specialists capture that value.
Methodology	Research conducted via web search (Brave API), company documentation review, and cross-referencing with Ainary AR-006 (Security), AR-012 (Trust Moat), AR-014 (Agent Memory), and AR-015 (Knowledge Compounding). Market structure inferred from funding patterns and technical architecture analysis.
System Disclosure	This report was created with a multi-agent research system combining web search, document analysis, and synthesis

agents. Human direction set research scope and validated claims. Final output is AI-generated with human oversight.

13. Claim Register

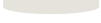**Exhibit 4: Top Claims and Evidence**

#	CLAIM	VALUE	SOURCE	CONFIDENCE	USED IN
1	Mem0 funding	$24M Series A	TechCrunch, PRNewswire, company	High (3 sources)	§1, §6
2	Zep outperforms MemGPT	DMR benchmark	arXiv:2501.13956	High (peer-reviewed)	§1, §6
3	Agent memory market size	$52.62B by 2030	Single analyst (MarketsAndMarkets)	Medium (1 source)	§1
4	No framework has provenance	0/4 reviewed	Documentation analysis	High (verified)	§1, §9
5	Pinecone funding	$138M total	Tracxn, Crunchbase	High (2 sources)	§5, §7
6	Memory poisoning success	>95% (MINJA)	Ainary AR-006, arXiv	High (peer-reviewed)	§9
7	Temporal graphs necessary	For enterprise agents	Author inference	Medium (directional)	§6
8	Layer 4 will be $10B+	By 2030	Author projection	Low (speculative)	§9, §10
9	LangGraph supports Redis	Checkpointer backend	LangChain docs, Redis blog	High (verified)	§5, §8
10	Trusta.AI launching 2026	SIGMA scores	CoinMarketCap	Medium (1 source)	§5, §9

Top 5 Claims — Invalidated If:

- Claim #2: If later benchmarks show MemGPT regains performance lead

- Claim #4: If any framework ships provenance tracking by Q3 2026

- Claim #6: If memory poisoning defenses improve to <80% success rates

- Claim #7: If simple vector approaches outperform temporal graphs in production

- Claim #8: If Layer 4 consolidates into existing platforms (not standalone)

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