

provide the Design decisions & trade-offs and Known limitations using below readme file

## ## Multi-agent Chatbot for Data analytics, RAG and Conversation

### ### Features

- \* Multi-agent chatbot using LangGraph containing a Supervisor agent and three expert agents (Data analyst, RAG and Conversation)
- \* Reusable subgraph to create multi-agent system
- \* Expert agent has access of tools such as local python executor and knowledge vector DB
- \* Data Cleaning and Normalization from csv/txt/xls/json file
- \* Data Ingestion on Sqlite (local) and Postgres (server based)
- \* LLM reasoning (OpenAI)
- \* Streamlit frontend

## ## 🏗️ Architecture Overview

### Architecture |

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### <!-- Multi-Agent Swarm |

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### Frontend Interface |

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## ## Agents task:

- \* Supervisor agent → Routing between expert agents, data\_analyst and conversation
- \* Data analyst agent → Answer queries related to data by Generate SQL query from natural language, execute SQL query on local python executor as tool and recursively fix the problem
- \* RAG agent → Question related of pdf documents using

knowledge base from chromaDB

\* Conversation agent → Casual and friendly conversation

## ## 📁 Folder Structure

Multi\_agent\_Chatbot/

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├── assests/                # Images & docs
├── data/                   # I/O data folder
│   ├── in
│   └── temp
├── src/
│   ├── agents/            # Agents modules for
│   ├── configs/          # Configurations fil
│   ├── tools/            # Tools modules
│   ├── utils/            # Utility functions
│   └── chatbot.py         # Streamlit Frontend
├── test/                  # Notebooks for test
├── pyproject.toml         # project file
└── README.md              # Readme file
```

## ## Data ingestion scripts [csv | txt | json | xls | xlsx | pdf]

bash

```
# For ingesting [csv | txt | json | xls | xlsx]
uv run python src/utils/data_ingest_sqlite.py
```

```
# For ingesting pdf file to vector db
uv run python src/utils/data_ingest_vectordb.py
```

## ## Application usage

1. Create a .env environment variables as per below:-

bash

```
# LLM
LLM_PROVIDER = "openai"
MODEL_NAME = "gpt-4o-mini"
EMBEDDING_MODEL = "text-embedding-3-small"
OPENAI_API_KEY = "openai_api"

# Sqlite DB
DB_PATH="data/temp/ingested.db"

# (Optional) Langsmith for tracking and observability
LANGSMITH_TRACING=true
LANGSMITH_ENDPOINT=https://api.smith.langchain.com
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LANGSMITH_API_KEY=API_GOES_HERE
LANGSMITH_PROJECT="Project name"
```

2. Install [uv package manager]  
(<https://docs.astral.sh/uv/getting-started/installation/>)

3. Prepare environment

```
bash
    uv sync
```

4. Start Frontend (Streamlit) using below command

```
bash
    uv run streamlit run src/chatbot.py
```

5. Open Frontend (Streamlit) → <http://localhost:8501>

6. (Optional) using CLI mode

```
bash
    uv run python src/agents/supervisor.py
```

## Observability using [LangSmith]

(<https://smith.langchain.com/>)

\* Set the environment variables in .env file as mentioned above.

\* Open the <https://smith.langchain.com> to track the chatbot performance

## TODOs

1. [ ] Storing conversation threads
2. [ ] Cloud deployment
3. [ ] Test cases

## Limitations

\* Sometimes data\_analyst agent is not able to answer complicated query due to multi-steps workflow includes SQL query generation and execution on local python executor tool

\* Frontend does not render code and normal text due to formatting inconsistencies from token streaming

\* Locally served small LLM (8B parameters) can show its limitations due to small size

\* Supervisor agent struggle with routing decision between data\_analyst and rag for closely related queries

## Design Decision and Tradeoffs

Below is a **clean, professional, and interview-ready** version of **Design Decisions & Trade-offs** and **Known Limitations**, written to fit naturally into your existing README without repeating earlier sections.

You can **paste this directly** under the corresponding headings.





## Design Decisions & Trade-offs

### 1. LangGraph-based Multi-Agent Architecture

#### Decision:

The system is implemented using LangGraph with a **Supervisor agent** orchestrating multiple **expert agents** (Data Analyst, RAG, Conversation), each encapsulated as a reusable subgraph.

#### Trade-off:

-  Clear separation of responsibilities and extensibility
-  Fine-grained control over agent routing and tool access
-  Increased orchestration complexity compared to a single-agent design
-  Requires careful handling of state propagation and streaming across subgraphs





This design was chosen to reflect real-world agentic systems where different reasoning patterns and toolsets are required.

### 2. Supervisor-driven Intent Routing

#### Decision:

All user queries are first processed by a Supervisor agent that decides which expert agent should handle the request.

#### Trade-off:

-  Centralized control and easier debugging of routing logic
-  Enables future extensions (e.g., additional agents)
-  Routing quality depends heavily on LLM reasoning
-  Closely related intents (e.g., RAG vs data analysis) can cause misclassification





This approach mirrors production agent routers but introduces probabilistic behavior.

### 3. Tool-based Data Analysis via SQL & Python Execution

#### Decision:

The Data Analyst agent answers structured data questions by generating SQL queries and executing them via a **local Python executor** (SQLite/Postgres).

#### Trade-off:

-  Guarantees answers are grounded in provided data
-  Avoids hallucination from LLM internal knowledge
-  Multi-step reasoning (generate → execute → debug) can fail on complex queries
-  Execution safety requires restricted environments and careful validation





This was preferred over pure RAG for tabular data due to accuracy and transparency.

#### 4. Local-first Storage (SQLite + Optional Postgres)

Decision:

SQLite is used as the default local database, with optional Postgres support for server-based deployment.

Trade-off:

-  Easy local setup and fast iteration
-  No external dependencies required for basic usage
-  Not suitable for high-concurrency or large-scale datasets
-  Schema inference is best-effort and may require manual tuning





This balances simplicity with extensibility.

#### 5. Streaming at Supervisor Level with `subgraphs=True`

Decision:

Token-level streaming is implemented at the **parent (supervisor) graph level** using `subgraphs=True`.

Trade-off:

-  Enables real-time streaming from subgraph agents
-  Preserves a unified user experience across agents
-  Requires filtering of routing tokens and final message chunks
-  Streaming markdown (especially code blocks) introduces UI complexity




This approach follows LangGraph's intended design for multi-agent streaming.

#### 6. Streamlit-based Frontend

Decision:

Streamlit was chosen for rapid prototyping and ease of interaction.

Trade-off:

-  Fast development and minimal boilerplate
-  Built-in support for chat-style UIs
-  Limited control over incremental markdown rendering

-  Code blocks and text streaming require careful handling





Streamlit is suitable for demos and internal tools but not ideal for fine-grained UI control.

## 7. LLM Provider Abstraction (OpenAI / Ollama)

### Decision:

The system supports both cloud-based (OpenAI) and local (Ollama) LLMs via configuration.

### Trade-off:

-  Flexibility in deployment environments
-  Cost control and offline experimentation
-  Smaller local models show reduced reasoning quality
-  Behavioral differences across providers require tuning

This abstraction allows experimentation across model sizes and infrastructures.

## Known Limitations

### 1. Complex Analytical Queries

Multi-step analytical questions (e.g., nested comparisons, windowed aggregations) may fail due to cascading errors in SQL generation and execution.

### 2. Supervisor Routing Ambiguity

The Supervisor agent can struggle to distinguish between closely related intents (e.g., RAG vs structured data queries), especially when user queries are underspecified.

### 3. Streaming + Markdown Rendering Issues

Token-by-token streaming of markdown, especially code fences, can cause formatting issues in the frontend. This is a known limitation of incremental markdown rendering.

### 4. Model Capacity Constraints

When using locally hosted small LLMs ( $\approx 8B$  parameters), reasoning depth, tool usage accuracy, and routing reliability are reduced compared to larger models.

### 5. Schema Inference Is Heuristic-based

Data cleaning and normalization infer types automatically, which may not always match domain-specific expectations for ambiguous columns.

### 6. No Persistent Conversation Storage

Conversation threads are currently session-bound and not persisted across restarts.

### 7. Not Production-hardened

The system prioritizes clarity and extensibility over production concerns such as authentication, concurrency control, and resource isolation.