LLAMAIndex, Crew AI and Auto Gen

Orchestrating Intelligent Agents

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Discussion Points

• Recap: RAG, LangChain, Graph RAG, LangGraph, Security, Guardrails and Privacy

LlamaIndex

- Why LlamaIndex?
- Core Components and RAG Pipeline Implementation
- LlamaIndex in Multi-Tool Environments

Crew AI

- Why and What is Crew AI?
- Crew AI execution flow
- Integration of Crew AI with LangGraph and LlamaIndex

AutoGen

- Why and What is AutoGen?
- AutoGen components
- AutoGen execution flow

Next: Agent 2 Agent (A2A) Protocol

- Why and What is A2A Protocol.
- Example and use cases.
- Implementation Details



Retrieval Augmented Generation Architecture

Training

Embedding Data **Data Chunking** Data **Embedding Storage** Ingestion Split the training documents into small chunks so that we Store embedding of each Create embedding of Uploading documents in can have better information chunk into the vector each chunk the system to be used representation databases for the faster and (representing the for model training information in vectors) efficient retrieval **Testing** Find the most relevant matches **Query Embedding Top-K Results** LLM Query Get the embedding of your query. Retrieve top k results (chunks) from Provide Query + Prompt + A vector the database based on similarity Results to generate response



LlamaIndex is a data framework for LLM applications — it helps connect external data (like PDFs, databases, websites) to Large Language Models (LLMs), making it easier to build Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) systems.

Core functionality includes:

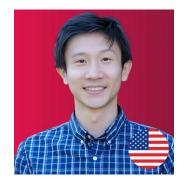
- **Ingestion:** Load data from multiple formats (PDFs, Notion, SQL, etc.)
- **Indexing:** Build searchable indexes using embedding models
- **Retrieval:** Retrieve relevant chunks based on user queries
- **Querying:** Ask questions using LLMs with retrieved context

Creator: Jerry Liu, former ML engineer at Uber

Organization: Initially developed as an open-source project under the name GPT Index

Rebranded as: LlamaIndex in late 2022

Current Maintainer: LlamaIndex team — a dedicated company building the ecosystem



Abstraction Over RAG Complexities

LlamaIndex offers a high-level API that abstracts away the boilerplate involved in:

Data ingestion (from PDFs, APIs, SQL, Notion, etc.).

Chunking, indexing, and retrieval.

Prompt orchestration and context optimization.

```
from llama_index.core import VectorStoreIndex, SimpleDirectoryReader
documents = SimpleDirectoryReader("data").load_data()
index = VectorStoreIndex.from_documents(documents)
query_engine = index.as_query_engine()
response = query_engine.query("What is the summary of Chapter 3?")
```

Boilerplate refers to **repetitive**, **standard code** that developer has to write regularly

Plugin-Friendly Architecture

LlamaIndex integrates smoothly with:

Vector DBs like FAISS, Pinecone, Qdrant

LLMs: OpenAI, Claude, LLaMA, Mistral

Tools: LangChain, Weaviate, Chroma, etc.

```
from llama_index.core.retrievers import VectorIndexRetriever
from llama_index.retrievers.bm25 import BM25Retriever
from llama_index.core.retrievers import QueryFusionRetriever

bm25 = BM25Retriever.from_documents(documents)
vector = VectorIndexRetriever(index=index)
hybrid = QueryFusionRetriever([bm25, vector], mode="reciprocal_rerank", similarity_top_k=5)
```



Comparison with LangChain

Feature	LangChain	LlamaIndex
Philosophy	Composable + low-level chains	Data-centric + optimized APIs
Custom Graphs	LangGraph + LangChain	Recently added (less mature)
Ease of Use	Requires stitching components	Unified interface for RAG
Best For	Custom pipelines + tools	Fast prototyping + data indexing

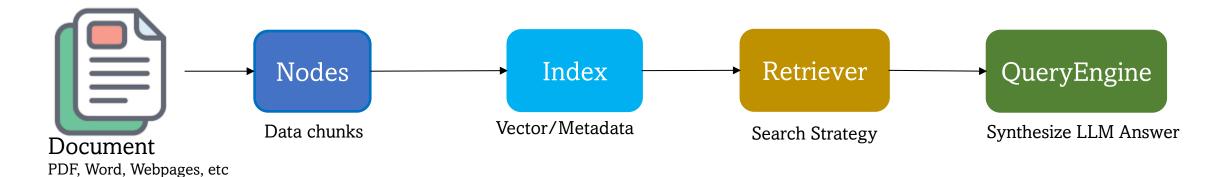
Real-World Adoption

LlamaIndex powers:

- Enterprise document Q&A bots
- Compliance search engines
- AI copilots for structured data



LlamaIndex - Architecture



Component	Description	Example
Document	Raw input data source (text, PDF, HTML)	"Ramayana.pdf" as a full document
Node	Semantically meaningful chunk derived from the Document	A paragraph about Rama's exile
Index	Organizes nodes for efficient retrieval (e.g., VectorIndex, TreeIndex, KeywordTableIndex)	VectorIndex built on RAMAYANA node embeddings
Retriever	Finds relevant nodes using similarity search, keyword lookup, etc.	Cosine similarity finds 3 chunks about Kaikeyi's role
QueryEngine	Executes queries, runs retrieval, and synthesizes answers using LLMs	Query: "Why did Rama go to the forest?" → Synthesized multi-node answer



LlamaIndex - Data Loading

Before indexing or querying, the data (regardless of format) must be:

- Loaded into memory
- Parsed into structured documents
- Standardized into the Document format understood by LlamaIndex

SimpleDirectoryReader

A built-in loader that recursively scans a directory for files and loads them into Document objects. Supports .pdf, .txt, .docx, .md, .csv, .json

Custom Loader

For structured formats or APIs, define custom loaders using BaseReader or by subclassing.

```
from llama_index.core import SimpleDirectoryReader

documents = SimpleDirectoryReader(input_files=["data/RAMAYANA.pdf"]).load_data()
print(f"Loaded {len(documents)} document(s).")
print(documents[0].text[:100]) # Preview
```

```
import pandas as pd
from llama_index.core.schema import Document

df = pd.read_csv("data/headcount_2025.csv")
doc_text = df.to_markdown(index=False)

document = Document(text=doc_text, metadata={"source": "headcount_2025.csv"})
print(document.text[:500]) # Preview)
```



LlamaIndex - Data Loading

Third-Party & Web Loaders

- Google Docs, Notion, Websites, YouTube transcripts
- Use llama-hub to access external data with plugand-play loaders.

Loaders for:

- Notion → NotionPageReader
- YouTube → YoutubeTranscriptReader
- Slack → SlackReader
- Google Docs → GoogleDocsReader
- HTML → BeautifulSoupWebReader

```
from llama_index.readers.web import SimpleWebPageReader

urls = ["https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramayana"]

# html_to_text=True is recommended for cleaner text extraction
reader = SimpleWebPageReader(html_to_text=True)
documents = reader.load_data(urls)

if documents:
    print(documents[0].text[:500])
    print("\nMetadata:")
    print(documents[0].metadata)
else:
    print("No documents loaded.")
```

LlamaIndex – Data Chunking

Overview of Chunking Techniques in LlamaIndex

Technique	How It Works	Example
Default Chunking	Simple fixed-length chunks (e.g., 512 tokens), breaks without semantic awareness	Splitting Ramayana.pdf into equal 512-token chunks
RecursiveTextSplitter	Tries to split by sentences → paragraphs → characters, fallback if structure isn't present	Breaks Chapter 1 at sentence boundaries if possible
SemanticSplitterNodeParser	Uses embeddings to find semantically coherent split points	Groups verses discussing Rama's birth together
Graph-Based Chunking	Builds a graph of entities, links semantically related passages based on co-occurrence/context	All mentions of Kaikeyi in different chapters form a connected chunk



LlamaIndex – Data Chunking

Default Chunking

```
from llama_index.core.node_parser import SimpleNodeParser

parser = SimpleNodeParser.from_defaults(chunk_size=512)
nodes = parser.get_nodes_from_documents(pdf_document)

for node in nodes[:2]:
    print(node.text)
```

Semantic Chunking

```
from llama_index.core.node_parser import SemanticSplitterNodeParser
from llama_index.embeddings.huggingface import HuggingFaceEmbedding
embed_model = HuggingFaceEmbedding(model_name="all-MiniLM-L6-v2", device="cpu")
parser = SemanticSplitterNodeParser(embed_model=embed_model, chunk_size=512)

nodes = parser.get_nodes_from_documents(pdf_document)

for node in nodes[:2]:
    print(node.text)
```

RecursiveTextSplitter

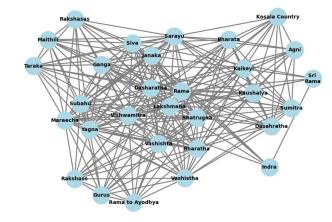
```
from llama_index.core.node_parser import LangchainNodeParser
from langchain.text_splitter import RecursiveCharacterTextSplitter

text_splitter = RecursiveCharacterTextSplitter(chunk_size=500, chunk_overlap=50)
parser = LangchainNodeParser(lc_splitter=text_splitter)

nodes = parser.get_nodes_from_documents(pdf_document)

for idx, node in enumerate(nodes[:2]):
    print(f"Chunk {idx+1}\n Chunk Text:{node.text}")
```

Graph-based Chunking





LlamaIndex – Data Embedding

- Embeddings convert text into numerical vectors representing semantic meaning.
 - Embedding Models: OpenAI, HuggingFace, Ollama, etc.
- Vector Stores store and retrieve those embeddings efficiently for similarity search (used in RAG, semantic search, chatbots).
 - Vector Stores: FAISS (local), Chroma,
 Pinecone, Qdrant (hosted or local)

The Answer is taken from Page: 45, 29

Answer:

Rama plays a central role in the Ramayana as the protagonist and hero of the epic. He is depicted as an ideal king, husband, and son, embody ing virtues such as righteousness, devotion, and courage. Rama's journ ey, from being crowned the king of Ayodhya to his exile in the forest, his search for Sita, and the eventual battle against Ravana, showcase s his unwavering commitment to dharma and his willingness to sacrifice personal happiness for the greater good. Throughout the epic, Rama's character serves as a moral compass, inspiring readers to follow his i deals of truth, duty, and compassion.

```
from llama index.core import VectorStoreIndex
from llama index.vector stores.faiss import FaissVectorStore
from llama index.embeddings.huggingface import HuggingFaceEmbedding
import faiss
EMBEDDING DIM = 384
embed model = HuggingFaceEmbedding(model name="all-MiniLM-L6-v2", device="cpu"
faiss index = faiss.IndexFlatL2(EMBEDDING DIM)
vector store = FaissVectorStore(faiss index=faiss index)
index = VectorStoreIndex(
    nodes=nodes,
    vector store=vector store,
    embed model=embed model,
query engine = index.as query engine()
response = query engine.query("What is the role of Rama in Ramayana?")
print(response)
```

LlamaIndex - Choosing the Right Index

Picking the Right Tool for the Information Retrieval Needs

Index Type	Description	Best Used For
VectorStoreIndex	Embedding-based similarity search	Semantic Q&A, unstructured text
KeywordTableIndex	Inverted index for exact/keyword match	Document filtering, precise keyword lookup
ListIndex	Linear scan through documents	Sequential queries, story-based answers
KnowledgeGraphIndex	Constructs a graph from entities + relationships	Entity search, reasoning over concepts

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Example Use Cases

Use Case	Recommended Index
Semantic Search over PDFs	VectorStoreIndex
"Find all documents mentioning X"	KeywordTableIndex
"Summarize this series of emails"	ListIndex
"Who is related to Ravana?"	KnowledgeGraphIndex



LlamaIndex - Choosing the Right Index

Semantic Search

```
from llama_index.core import VectorStoreIndex
from llama_index.embeddings.huggingface import HuggingFaceEmbedding
embed_model = HuggingFaceEmbedding(model_name="all-MiniLM-L6-v2", device="cpu")
index = VectorStoreIndex.from_documents(pdf_document, embed_model=embed_model)

query_engine = index.as_query_engine()
response = query_engine.query("What values does Ramayana teach?")
```

Answer:

Ramayana teaches values such as devotion towards parents, ideal behavi or as a king, respect for all individuals, ruling a kingdom well, trut hfulness, and being virtuous and valiant.

Exact Match Search

```
from llama_index.core import KeywordTableIndex
index = KeywordTableIndex.from_documents(documents)
query_engine = index.as_query_engine()
response = query_engine.query("Mentions of Ayodhya and Lanka")
```

Sequential Answering

```
from llama_index.core import ListIndex

index = ListIndex.from_documents(documents)

query_engine = index.as_query_engine()
response = query_engine.query("Give me a summary chapter by chapter")

Answer:
The epic "Ramayana" is divided into seven main chapters, known as Kand as. The chapters are as follows:

1. Bāla Kāṇḍa
2. Avodhyā Kānda
```

3. Ar

aṇya Kāṇḍa

4. Kişkindhā Kāṇḍa

5. Sundara Kāṇḍa

6. Yuddha Kānda

7. Utta

ra Kanda

Each chapter focuses on different aspects of the story of Lo rd Rama, his wife Sita, and his loyal companion Hanuman, as they navig ate through various challenges and adventures.

Answer:

The epic _Ramayana_ narrates the life of Rama, a prince of Ayodhya in the kingdom of Kosala, and his eventual return to Ayodhya to be crowned as a king. It also includes the kidnapping of Sita by Ravana, the king of Lanka.



LlamaIndex - Retrieval with Filters & Hybrid Search

Metadata Filtering: Use metadata (e.g., document type, topic, source) to filter documents during retrieval. This helps narrow the context to only relevant documents.

Example Use Case: Filter only chapters from the Ramayana that are tagged with "location": "Ayodhya".

Answer: Bharatha ruled Ayodhya in place of Rama during Rama's absence.



LlamaIndex - Retrieval with Filters & Hybrid Search

Hybrid Retrieval (Keyword + Vector Search)

Combine semantic vector similarity with keyword matching to improve recall and precision.

Example Use Case:

Get results that either contain the keyword "Rama" or are semantically similar to the query

"prince of Ayodhya".



```
from llama index.core.indices.keyword table import KeywordTableIndex
from llama index.core.retrievers import VectorIndexRetriever
from llama index.core.retrievers import QueryFusionRetriever
# Create both vector and keyword indexes
vector index = VectorStoreIndex.from documents(documents)
vector retriever = VectorIndexRetriever(index=vector index)
keyword index = KeywordTableIndex.from documents(documents)
keyword retriever = keyword index.as retriever(similarity top k=5)
# hybrid = QueryFusionRetriever([vector index, keyword index], mode="reciprocal rerank", similarity top k=5)
hybrid retriever = QueryFusionRetriever(
    [vector_retriever, keyword_retriever],
    mode="reciprocal rerank",
    similarity top k=5,
    num queries=4, # Number of synthetic queries to generate
query engine = RetrieverQueryEngine(retriever=hybrid retriever)
response = query engine.query("prince of Ayodhya")
print(" Answer:\n", '\n'.join([''.join(response.response]i:i + 70]) for i in range(0, len(response.response), 70)])
```

LlamaIndex - Graph RAG and Entity-Aware Retrieval

What is Graph RAG?

Graph RAG augments standard RAG by constructing a Knowledge Graph (KG) from documents using entities and relationships, enabling entity-aware, context-rich retrieval.

Key Steps

- Parse: Extract entities and map relationships from text
- Map: Represent text chunks as nodes with entity metadata
- Link: Build a Knowledge Graph from entity co-occurrence or semantic linkage

```
import networkx as nx
# Load NLP model for entity extraction
nlp = spacy.load("en_core_web_sm")
# Example text (replace this with your parsed Ramayana chapters)
text = """King Dasharath of Ayodhya had three queens: Kaushalya, Sumitra, and Kaikeyi.
Ram, the eldest, was born to Kaushalya. He later married the daughter of Janak, Sita, daughter of Janak from Mithila."
# Step 1: Parse → Extract Entities
doc = nlp(text)
entities = list(set(ent.text for ent in doc.ents if ent.label in ["PERSON", "ORG", "GPE", "LOC"]))
print(f"Extracted Entities: {entities}")
# Step 2: Map → Create Node
node = {"text": text, "entities": entities}
G = nx.Graph()
G.add_node(text, entities=entities)
# Add edges based on entity co-occurrence
for i, e1 in enumerate(entities):
   for e2 in entities [i+1:]:
       G.add_edge(e1, e2, source_text=text)
print(f"  Entities: {entities}")
print(f"  Graph edges: {G.edges(data=True)}")
```

LlamaIndex - Graph RAG and Entity-Aware Retrieval

Use Graph for Entity-Aware Retrieval

Query: "How Janak is related to Mithila?"

We can retrieve the **subgraph** or **nodes** where both "Janak" and "Mithila" co-

occur.



LlamaIndex - Memory Integration

Memory RAG combines:

- **Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG)** for pulling external knowledge
- **Memory** to retain **chat history** or **summaries** between user queries

This enables **context-aware**, **multi-turn** conversations where the AI remembers past exchanges and builds intelligent responses — not just in isolation, but as a running dialogue.

```
from llama_index.core import SimpleDirectoryReader, VectorStoreIndex
from llama_index.core.memory import ChatMemoryBuffer
from llama_index.core.chat_engine import SimpleChatEngine

# Load Ramayana documents
index = VectorStoreIndex.from_documents(pdf_document)

# Create memory buffer
memory = ChatMemoryBuffer.from_defaults(token_limit=1000)

# W Use SimpleChatEngine instead of RetrieverQueryEngine
chat_engine = SimpleChatEngine.from_defaults(
    retriever=index.as_retriever(),
    memory=memory
)
```

LlamaIndex –Best Practices

Choosing Right Chunk Size and Overlap

Improper chunk sizes can either lead to loss of context (too small) or irrelevant information (too large). Overlap ensures continuity.

Best practice:

- For general documents: chunk_size = 512, chunk_overlap = 64
- For technical or narrative-heavy docs: slightly larger chunks with overlap

Embedding Caching

Avoids re-computing embeddings every time the index is built—saves time and cost.

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Best practice:

- Use local or Redis-based cache
- Store and reuse embeddings across sessions



LlamaIndex -Best Practices

Index Persistence

Regenerating the index every time is inefficient in production. Persist it to disk and reload when needed.

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Best practice:

- Save after building
- Reload on app start

Latency Optimization

Production systems require low latency. Optimize by:

- Using local embedding models (e.g., via Ollama)
- Querying smaller sets of documents
- Precomputing responses for frequent queries

Best practice:

- Tune top_k for retriever
- Use summarization or compression for long docs



LlamaIndex –Best Practices

PII Redaction and Access Control (RBAC)

- Security and privacy compliance is critical, especially with sensitive documents.
- PII Redaction
- Use regex or NLP-based detection to mask PII.

def get user docs(user role): if user role == "finance": return load docs from folder("finance docs/") elif user role == "hr": return load docs from folder("hr docs/")

RBAC (Role-Based Access Control)

Restrict access to certain document sets based on user roles.

Best Practice	Goal	Technique
Chunking Strategy	Context retention	SimpleNodeParser(chunk_size, overlap)
Embedding Caching	Speed, cost efficiency	cache_folder with embedding model
Index Persistence	Scalability	index.save_to_disk() and load_from_disk()
Latency Optimization	Fast responses	similarity_top_k, summarization
PII Redaction & RBAC	Privacy and compliance	regex, user_role filtering

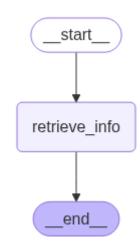
LlamaIndex + LangChain + LangGraph

```
from llama_index.core import VectorStoreIndex, SimpleDirectoryReader
from langchain_core.runnables import RunnableLambda
from dataclasses import dataclass
from langgraph.graph import StateGraph

# Step 1: Load and index documents
# For demonstration, let's create a dummy index if pdf_document is not available
index = VectorStoreIndex.from_documents(pdf_document, embed_model=embed_model)

# Step 2: Create a retriever or query engine
query_engine = index.as_query_engine()

@dataclass
class QAState:
    question: str
    result: str = "" # Initialize result to an empty string
graph = StateGraph(QAState)
```



```
def llama_query_node(state: QAState): # Type hint for clarity
    response = query_engine.query(state.question)
    return {"result": str(response)}

llama_node = RunnableLambda(llama_query_node)

# Add nodes and flow as before
graph.add_node("retrieve_info", llama_node)
graph.set_entry_point("retrieve_info")
graph.set_finish_point("retrieve_info")

retrieval_graph = graph.compile()
output = retrieval_graph.invoke({"question": "Who is Rama's wife?", "result": ""})
print(output["result"])
```

Sita





CrewAI is a Python-based framework for orchestrating multi-agent AI systems. It allows you to define agents, assign tasks, group them into a crew, and run a coordinated process — much like human team workflows.

Key Features:

- Agent collaboration
- Modular task design
- Plug-and-play with LLMs, LangChain, LlamaIndex, etc.
- Prompt-engineered task delegation

CrewAI was publicly released in **early 2024**.

- CrewAI was developed by **Joao Moura**, who is also the founder of **CrewAI** as a project.
 Joao is a former VP of AI at Salesforce and the creator of the tool as an independent initiative.
- His goal was to make agent orchestration more accessible and modular, especially in LLMbased multi-agent systems.



Components

Component	Description
Agent	An AI persona with a role, goal, tools
Task	A prompt-defined responsibility for an agent
Crew	A group of agents that coordinate to solve a problem
Process	The actual execution pipeline of tasks by agents Collaboration/Sequential

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Research Agent Crew

Let's build a Crew with two agents using OpenAI LLM to:

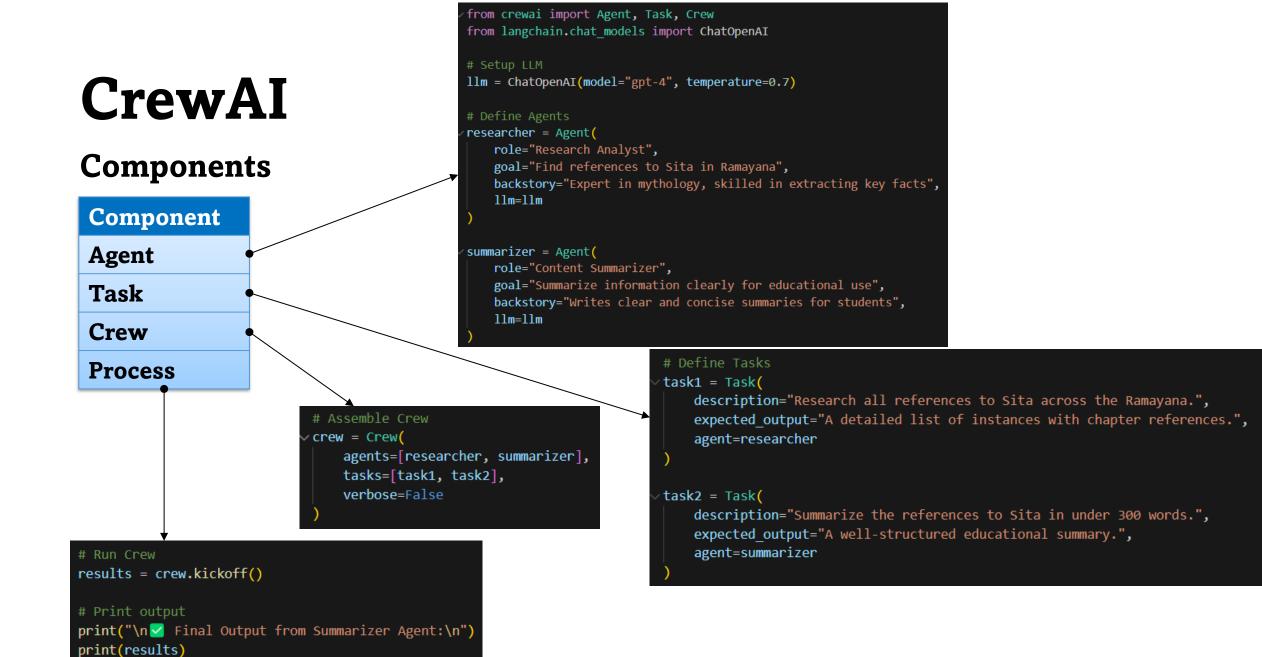
- Search for Ramayana-related topics
- Summarize findings

Each agent performs their task one after another, where the **output of one** becomes the **input of the next**.

result = crew.run(process="sequential")

Agents can work in **parallel** or **exchange feedback** with one another to co-create an output.

collab_result = collab_crew.run(process="collaborative")





Motivation for CrewAI in LLM Orchestration

As LLM use cases grow in complexity, you often need:

- Role-based task delegation (e.g., researcher, writer, verifier)
- Sequential or parallel execution of interdependent tasks.
- A clean abstraction for building agent teams rather than monolithic chains.

This is where CrewAI excels—it allows to:

 Create multiple agents, each with a persona, toolset, and task

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- Define workflows using Crew and Process logic
- Track conversation memory and outcomes per agent

Limitations of Single-Agent Setups (LangChain Agents)

Challenge	Single Agent Limitation
Collaboration	Cannot share tasks among specialized agents
Role separation	All logic and reasoning in one place
Control flow	No built-in process orchestration
Explainability	Hard to attribute steps to agent roles

Why LangGraph Isn't Enough LangGraph is good for stateful workflows but lacks:

- Agent abstraction
- Persona-driven delegation
- Built-in memory per agent
- Natural division of labor



CrewAI – Execution

Real-time Coordination of Agent Outputs.

- Agents can share memory, enabling dynamic exchange of information.
- Coordination is handled through Crew that links tasks and agents.
- You can build dynamic task graphs where results are available to other agents immediately.

```
# Define two simple agents
researcher = Agent(name="Researcher", goal="Research climate change", verbose=True)
summarizer = Agent(name="Summarizer", goal="Summarize the research", verbose=True)

# Define tasks
research_task = Task(agent=researcher, description="Find recent studies on climate change.")
summary_task = Task(agent=summarizer, description="Summarize the findings from the research.")

# Sequential Execution
crew_seq = Crew(tasks=[research_task, summary_task])
crew_seq.kickoff()
```

Intermediate Output Inspection

result = crew_seq.kickoff()
print(result.intermediate_steps)



Integrating CrewAI with LangChain,

and LlamaIndex

```
from llama index.core import SimpleDirectoryReader, VectorStoreIndex
            Ramayan.pdf
                                         documents = SimpleDirectoryReader(input_files=["data/RAMAYANA.pdf"]).load_data()
                                         index = VectorStoreIndex.from documents(documents)
                                         query engine = index.as query engine()
                                                            from langchain.tools import Tool
            [LlamaIndex]
                                                            def ask ramayan(question: str):
                                                                return query_engine.query(question).response
             LangGraph
                                                            # Just use a plain dict
                                                            ramayan tool = {
                                                                "name": "AskRamayan",
                              Critiqute
 ResearchAgent
                                                                "description": "Answer questions from Ramayan knowledge base",
                                                                "function": ask ramayan # <- this is your callable
                                Agent
                                                            from crewai import Task, Crew
 Wikipedita Tool
                                                              description="What are the major events in Rama"s life?",
                                                               agent=research_agent
                      LangChain LLMs
[Lamalnex
                                                              description="Summarize Rama"s journey in 5 lines.",
                                                              agent=summarizer_agent
                                                              description="Provide a philosophical critique of Rama s decisions during exile."
                                                              agent=critic agent
      [CrewAl kicks it off
                                                               agents=[research agent, summarizer agent, critic agent],
                                                              tasks=[task1, task2, task3],
```

```
from crewai import Agent
from langchain.chat models import ChatOpenAI
llm = ChatOpenAI(model="gpt-4")
research agent = Agent(
   role="Ramayan Researcher",
   goal="Find accurate information from the Ramayan",
   backstory="Knows Ramayan inside out via vector search",
   tools=[ramayan_tool],
   11m=11m
summarizer agent = Agent(
   role="Story Summarizer",
   goal="Summarize events and characters of the Ramayan",
   backstory="Great at concise storytelling",
   tools=[],
   11m=11m
critic agent = Agent(
   role="Philosophical Critic",
   goal="Reflect critically on Ramayan"s messages",
   backstory="Understands cultural context and dharmic philosophy"
   tools=[],
   11m=11m
```

result = crew.kickoff()
print(result)

AutoGen

https://microsoft.github.io/autogen/stable//index.html

AutoGen

The Evolution of Agentic Systems

- LangChain Tool Orchestration
 - LangChain introduced a way to chain LLMs with tools (e.g., calculators, search APIs) to perform multi-step reasoning.
- LangGraph Workflow Control
 - Added branching, statefulness, and looping to LangChain—allowing you to model workflows like DAGs (Directed Acyclic Graphs).
- CrewAI Role-Driven Teamwork
 - A system where multiple agents (LLMs) play specific roles (e.g., Researcher, Writer, Critic) and collaborate on a shared task.
- AutoGen Conversational Multi-Agent Loops
 - A framework where agents talk to each other in turns, forming conversational loops to solve tasks collaboratively.
- Small Agents Lightweight, Task-Focused, Composable
 - Inspired by *Unix philosophy*, Small Agents do **one thing well**—lightweight, composable agents you can plug in or swap out.



AutoGen

AutoGen is an **open-source programming framework** designed for building **agentic AI systems**, where multiple language-model agents collaborate—either autonomously or interactively—to complete complex tasks. It supports **multi-agent conversations**, **tool integration**, **human-in-the-loop workflows**, and offers no-code options like **AutoGen Studio**.

AutoGen is primarily developed by **Microsoft Research**, in collaboration with academic

Robotics and Artificial Intelligence Training Academy

partners from:

Penn State University

University of Washington

Xidian University (China)

Milestone	Date	Details
Concept Origin	Mar 2023	AutoGen spun off from FLAML (github.com) Paper "AutoGen: Enabling Next-Gen LLM Applications via Multi-Agent Conversation"
v0.2 Release	Aug 16, 2023	Initial open-source framework & academic paper
Ecosystem Buzz	Oct–Dec 2023	Trending on GitHub, recognized in top-100 lists
v0.4 Redesign	Mid-2024	Major rewrite: asynchronous/event-driven engine

Inside AutoGen's Architecture

UserProxyAgent

Acts as a bridge between human users and the agent system. It receives user input and communicates with other agents on the user's behalf.

- Receives a query like "Summarize the Ramayana and suggest themes for reflection."
- Passes it to AssistantAgent or GroupChat.

AssistantAgent

Handles complex LLM reasoning tasks—like planning, summarizing, reasoning, or chaining thoughts.

- Breaks the Ramayana summarization task into smaller steps.
- Queries documents, plans response flow.



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GroupChat

Orchestrates multi-agent collaboration. Agents communicate through this hub, like a roundtable.

- One agent retrieves context
- Another one summarizes
- A third one critiques or verifies

ExecutorAgent

Executes code, queries APIs, or runs tools. This is essential for tool-augmented LLM workflows.

- Executes Python code to analyze Ramayana character frequency.
- Runs scripts or APIs to fetch real-time data.



Agent Collaboration Flow Example

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"Analyze Rama's life and generate a visual timeline."

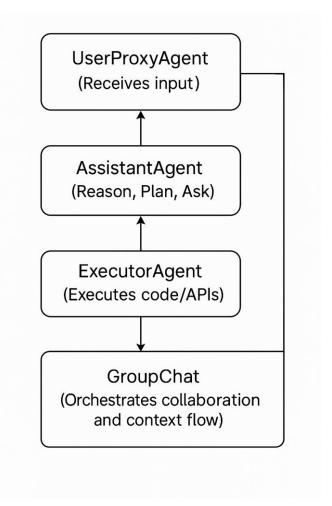
UserProxyAgent receives query.

AssistantAgent breaks down tasks:

- Fetch events from Ramayana
- Analyze sentiment or theme
- Ask ExecutorAgent to generate a timeline plot

ExecutorAgent runs the timeline-generation code.

GroupChat manages the flow of message passing between agents.



Agent Collaboration Flow Example





An **Agent-to-Agent Protocol** defines the rules, format, and structure by which two or more AI agents communicate, coordinate, and collaborate. It governs:

- **Message structure** (who says what, and in what format)
- **Turn-taking** and role negotiation
- Task delegation and result sharing
- Failure handling and retries
- **Termination conditions** (e.g., convergence or external stop)

In short: It's the social contract + communication schema among AI agents.



Core Components

Component	Description	Example
Agent Identity	Defines the agent's name, role, and permissions	{"name": "Retriever", "role": "ContextFetcher"}
Message Format	Standard structure for passing messages	JSON blob, structured prompt, or function call
Turn Handling	Determines who speaks next and when	Turn-based loops, async queues
Message Intent	What is the purpose of the message?	Ask, respond, critique, confirm, delegate
State Tracking	Maintains context of conversation or task	Memory objects or workflow logs



How It Fits in the Overall Agentic AI Landscape

Layer	Role	Tools/Examples
LLMs	Reasoning & response generation	GPT-4, Claude, Gemini
Memory Layer	Stores interaction history/context	LangChain Memory, Vector DBs
Orchestration Layer	Controls flow, branching, error recovery	LangGraph, CrewAI, AutoGen
Agent Layer	Individual units of capability	LangChain Agents, AutoGen Agents
Agent-to-Agent Protocol	Defines how agents interact and coordinate	AutoGen GroupChat, CrewAI process, ReAct JSON message passing
Interface Layer	UI/API for humans or external systems	Chat UI, Slack bots, APIs



AutoGen (by Microsoft)

- Implements agent protocol through structured message passing in GroupChat.
- Agents "talk" to each other in natural language with memory context.
- Protocol supports convergence, retries, and collaborative role switching.

CrewAI

- More task-centric protocol, but defines agent roles and expected outputs.
- Agents collaborate sequentially or in parallel with defined handoffs.

LangGraph

- Allows defining a protocol implicitly through edges (transitions) and node logic.
- Each node/agent knows when and how to pass control.

Open Agent Protocols (Emerging)

- **OAI plugin-style agents**: API calls as communication
- JSON-RPC over websockets or Agent Messaging Layer (AML) proposals
- Agent standardization efforts from OSS communities (e.g., LangChainHub)



Why it matters

Benefit	Impact
Interoperability	Enables agents from different vendors or platforms to work together
Structured Coordination	Ensures agents don't talk over each other or loop indefinitely
Observability	Makes agent behavior auditable and traceable
Multi-agent Scalability	Supports scaling to 5, 10, or 50 agents with clear interaction rules
Aligns with Human Workflows	Mirrors organizational structures like teams, committees, or departments

Where You Can Use It

- **RAG QA Systems**: Retriever agent \leftrightarrow Generator agent \leftrightarrow Critique agent
- **Research Assistants**: Planner ↔ Writer ↔ Fact-checker
- **Customer Support Bots**: Greeter \leftrightarrow Troubleshooter \leftrightarrow Escalator
- **Simulation/Training**: Role-playing bots with defined personas



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