

Conversational AI Agents



Conversational AI Agents

- **Conversation AI agents**
 - AI that simulate a human
 - Perform a variety of tasks
- **These agents integrate multiple AI models**
 - LLMs
 - Text to speech model
 - Speech to text model
 - Voice cloning model

Enhancing Human Jobs

- **Conversational AI agents have the potential to “enhance” several human jobs**
- **Social media**
 - Content creation assistants, AI influencers
- **Education**
 - Teaching assistants, professors, research assistants
- **Personal support**
 - Therapists, life coaches, friends
- **Interviewers**
 - Customer service, voter polling

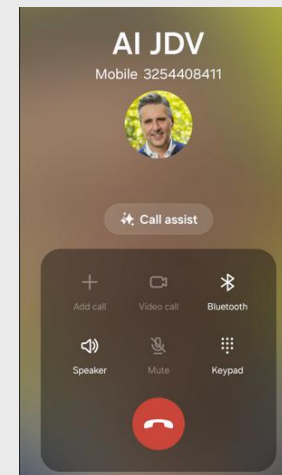
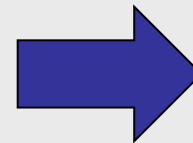
AI Voter Interviews

- Worked with CrowdVox to conduct AI interviews across 4 US cities
- Results presented at US Conference of Mayors



AI Voter Interviews

- Agent was a clone of pollster John Della Volpe made with ElevenLabs (AI JDV)
- AI JDV designed by Tauhid, questions designed by JDV
- Voters called the agent on the phone and he conducted in-depth interviews with them



AI Voter Interviews

“When do you feel most proud to be from Los Angeles?”

Times like right now.”

Charles, LA

“Every day I enjoy the city even more. I find something new about my neighborhood and I love it. I absolutely love it so far.”

Tiffany, Boston

“I’m a Brooklyn girl...It’s expensive, but I’m managing. We’re a great city. The diversity of NYC is like nowhere else.”

Marlene, NYC

“In the future I hope for more peace and less stress. I love this place. **You should come too, John.”**

Yolanda, Tampa

AI Voter Interviews



TAMPA, FL

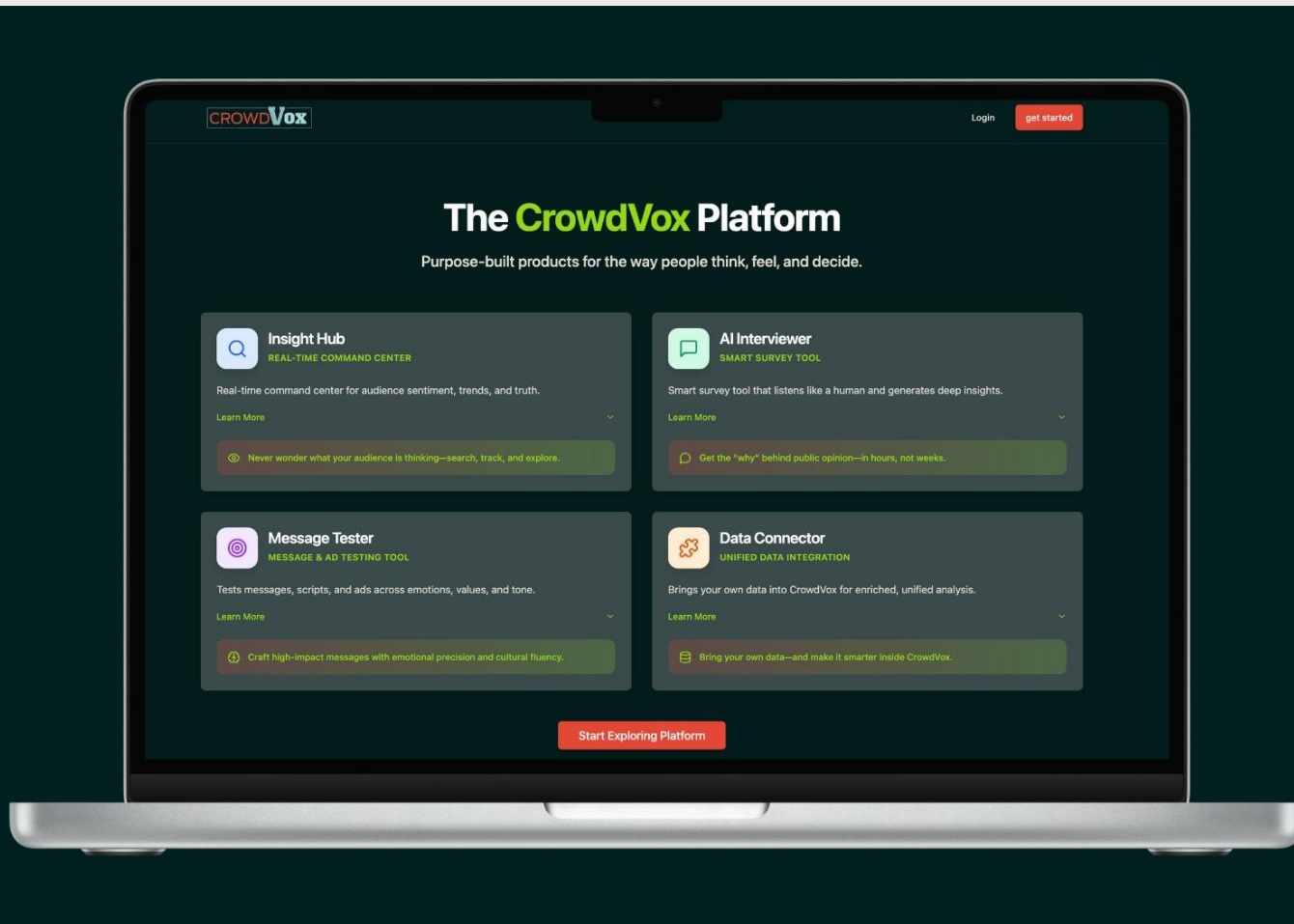
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AI Voter Analysis Platform

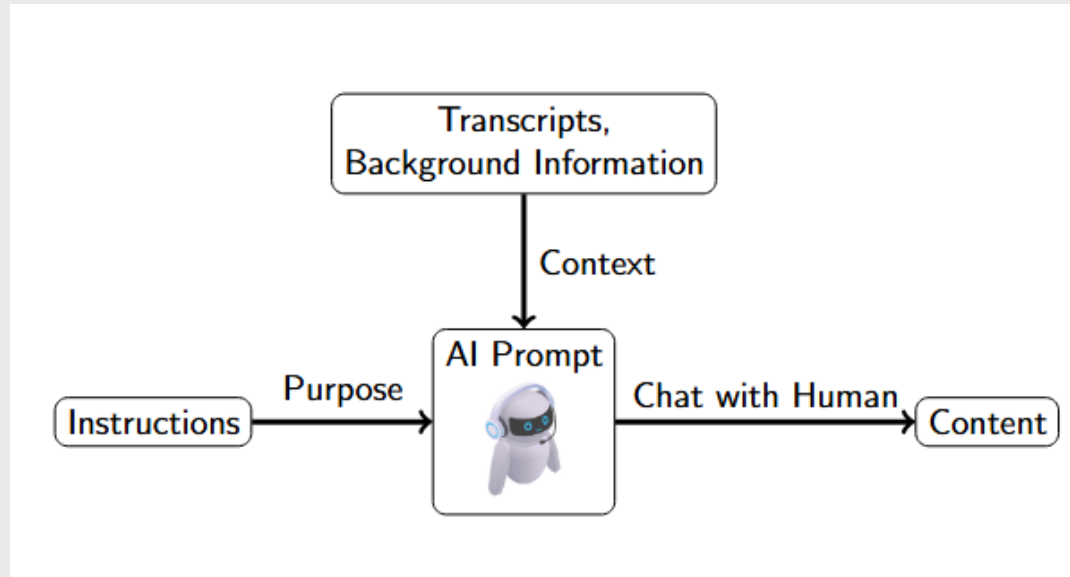


Building a Conversational AI Agent

- **Conversational AI agents main components**
 - **Prompt** – text data about the agent's background, instructions, speaking style (ChatGPT)
 - **Voice** – AI cloned voice (ElevenLabs)
 - **Tools** – functions called by the agent to extract or introduce data to the conversation (n8n)
 - **Phone number** – how you can reach the agent (Twilio)

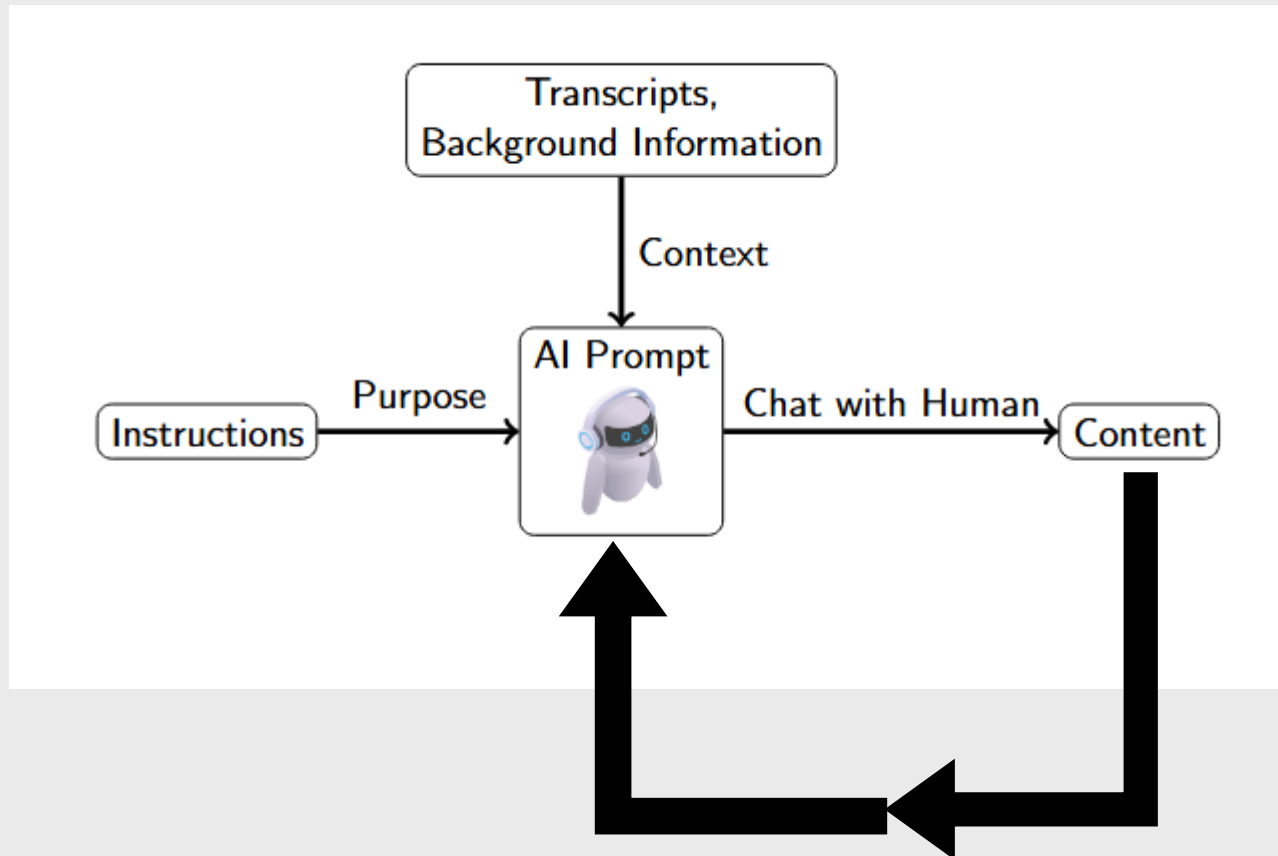
Prompt Flow Diagram

- **Static prompt**



Prompt Flow Diagram

- **Dynamic prompt – feedback new conversations into previous prompt**



Dynamic Prompts

- ElevenLabs does not have default dynamic prompts
- You need to write some code that runs periodically to update prompt with past conversations

```
from flask import Flask
import os
import time
from datetime import datetime, timedelta
import threading

# Import your existing functions
from agent_prompt import create_agent_prompt # Update with the correct filename if needed

app = Flask(__name__)

text_files_dir = "text_files"
filename_speaking_style_comprehensive = os.path.join(text_files_dir, "speaking_style_summary_comprehensive.txt")
filename_background = os.path.join(text_files_dir, "background_lisa.txt")
filename_emotional_state_template = os.path.join(text_files_dir, "emotional_state_template_lisa.txt")
filename_dialogue_style = os.path.join(text_files_dir, "dialogues_lisa.txt")

llm = "gpt-4o"
pbusy = 0.5
CALL_DURATION_MIN_SECS = 60

def run_task():
    """
    Runs the agent update task every hour.
    """
    while True:
        try:
            START_TIME = datetime.now() - timedelta(hours=24)
            print(f"Running the agent update at {datetime.now()}")

            create_agent_prompt(
                filename_speaking_style_comprehensive,
                filename_background,
                filename_emotional_state_template,
                filename_dialogue_style,
                llm,
                pbusy,
                START_TIME,
                CALL_DURATION_MIN_SECS
            )

            print(f"Agent update completed at {datetime.now()}")
        except Exception as e:
            print(f"Error updating agent: {e}")
```

Lisa AI Agent: Blackpink-Inspired Workflow

👑 High-Level Summary

- **Analyze Lisa's speaking style** using past transcripts to capture her unique voice.
- **Load quotes** Lisa has said to preserve her tone and personality.
- **Import background info** on Lisa and Toeheed to add emotional and narrative context.
- **Calculate Lisa's emotional state** using templates and past conversation history.
- **Study dialogue patterns** between Lisa and Toeheed to keep interactions natural and consistent.
- **Generate a "busy status"** to set her availability (randomly chosen).
- **Summarize recent conversations** using ElevenLabs + GPT-4o to stay up to date.
- **Retrieve the most recent conversation** for continuity.
- **Compile all this into a prompt** that defines Lisa's behavior and mood.
- **Update the live AI agent** on ElevenLabs with the final, fully composed prompt.

✨ Why It Matters

- Personalizes the AI to reflect a consistent, emotionally responsive character.
- Combines brand personality, memory, and tone into one intelligent assistant.
- Perfect for influencers, entertainers, or brand avatars in the Gen AI age.



Voice Cloning

- ElevenLabs allows us to clone voices (<https://elevenlabs.io/>)
- We only need a 10 second audio file
- Can obtain audio files from YouTube
 - Choose a YouTube video of the subject speaking alone or mostly alone
 - Download audio of YouTube video (<https://tuberipper.com>)
 - Clip the audio to 10 to 30 second clips (<https://audiotrimmer.com/>)

Creating Conversational AI Agent

- Conversational AI Agent can be created on ElevenLabs (<https://elevenlabs.io/>)
- Agent needs
 - Name, prompt, voice, LLM
- Agent can perform functions defined by tools during the conversation
 - Collect information from conversation (user name, location, etc).
 - Introduce data into conversation (weather, stock prices, etc)
- ElevenLabs provides automatic conversation analysis
 - Summary, data collection, conversation evaluation

Phone Number

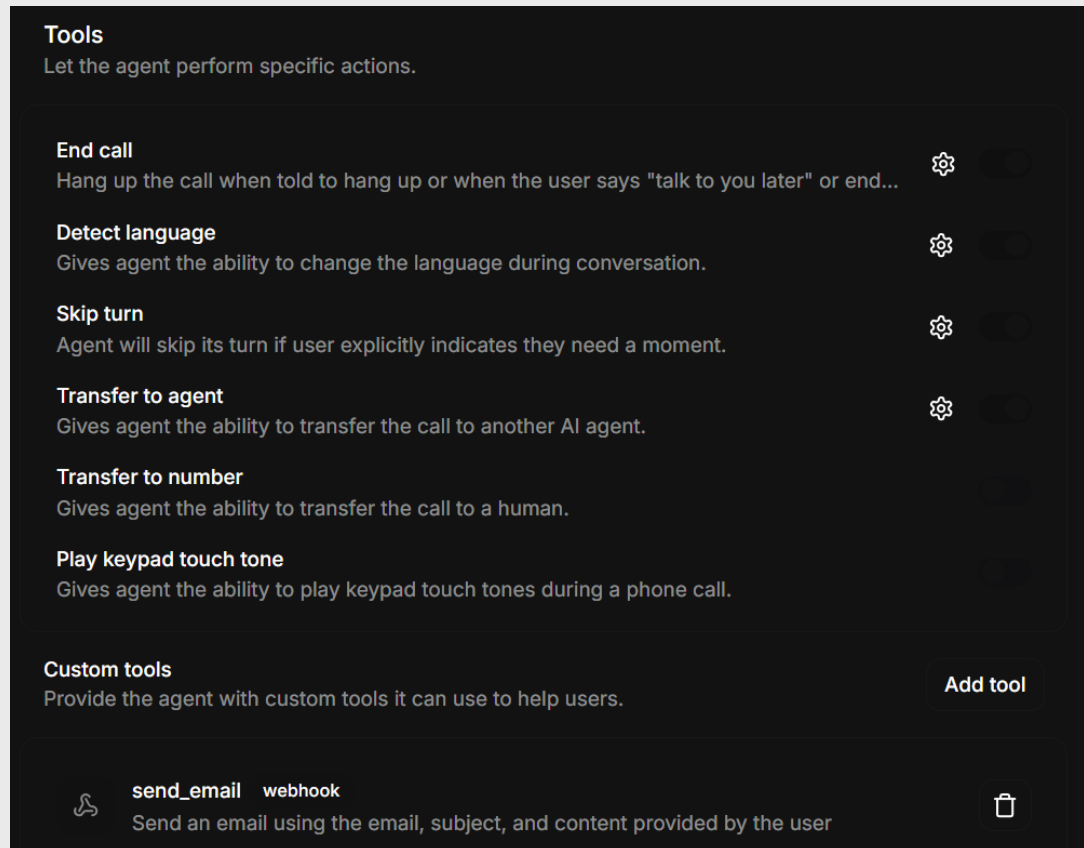
- **Conversational AI agent can be reached by phone (like a human) if you give it a phone number**
- **Phone numbers can be purchased from Twilio (<https://www.twilio.com/>)**
 - **Numbers cost \$1.15 per month**
 - **Usage costs \$0.40 per hour**

Agent Tools

- You can give your EleanLabs agent different tools
- Tools let the agent perform functions that need outside data or code
 - Send emails
 - Transfer user to another agent
 - Provide real-time information, like stock prices, weather, etc

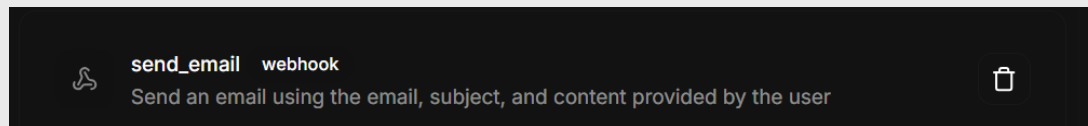
Default Tools

- Several new default tools are available in ElevenLabs

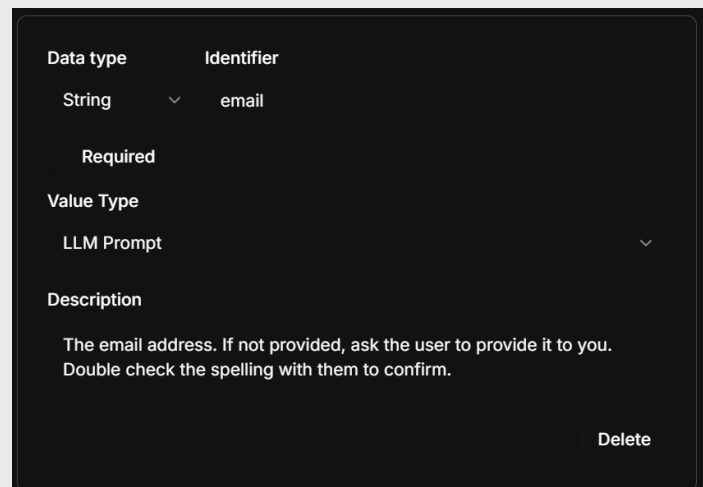


Custom Tools

- You can also add in a custom tool in ElevenLabs



- Tools can extract data from the conversation and then send them somewhere else for processing

A screenshot of the tool configuration form in ElevenLabs. The form is dark-themed and contains the following fields:

- Data type**: A dropdown menu currently showing "String".
- Identifier**: A text input field containing the word "email".
- Required**: A checkbox that is currently checked.
- Value Type**: A dropdown menu currently showing "LLM Prompt".
- Description**: A text area containing the text: "The email address. If not provided, ask the user to provide it to you. Double check the spelling with them to confirm."
- Delete**: A button located at the bottom right of the form.

Webhooks

- **Webhook** – a URL where you can send data
- **Agent** will send data to a webhook, and then the tool will use that data to complete its function

Method	URL
POST	https://zlisto.app.n8n.cloud/webhook/6d58625d-695c-42d0-b

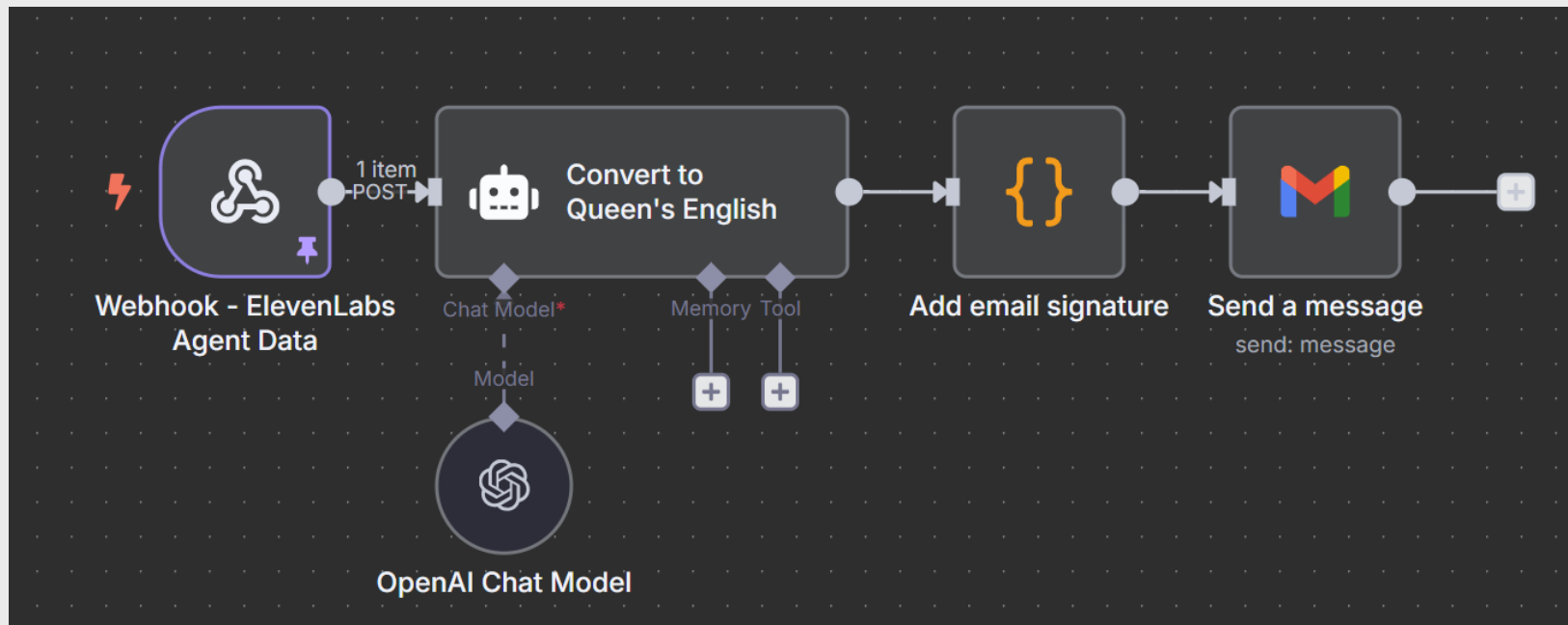
- **Webhook methods**
 - **POST**: Sends data in the body of the request — used when submitting or creating something.
 - **GET**: Requests data in the URL — used to request or retrieve information, not submit it.
- **Webhooks almost always use POST** because they are sending data (like a message or event).

Workflow Automation: n8n

- Our tool will be hosted on a workflow automation platform called n8n: <https://n8n.io/>
- On n8n we can connect many different apps to create tools
 - Execute code
 - Get AI chatbot response (ChatGPT, Gemini, etc)
 - Send email
 - Edit images
 - And so many more...
- A nice YouTube video on connecting ElevenLabs with n8n:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dXylGsyrIxE&ab_channel=AILuke

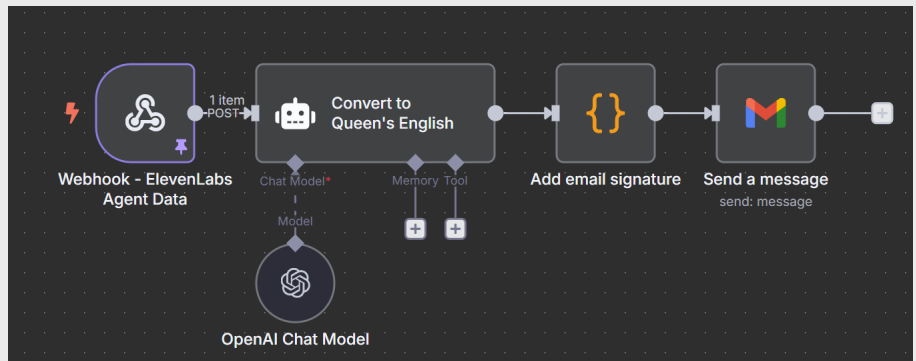
n8n Workflow

- Building a workflow tool is done without coding



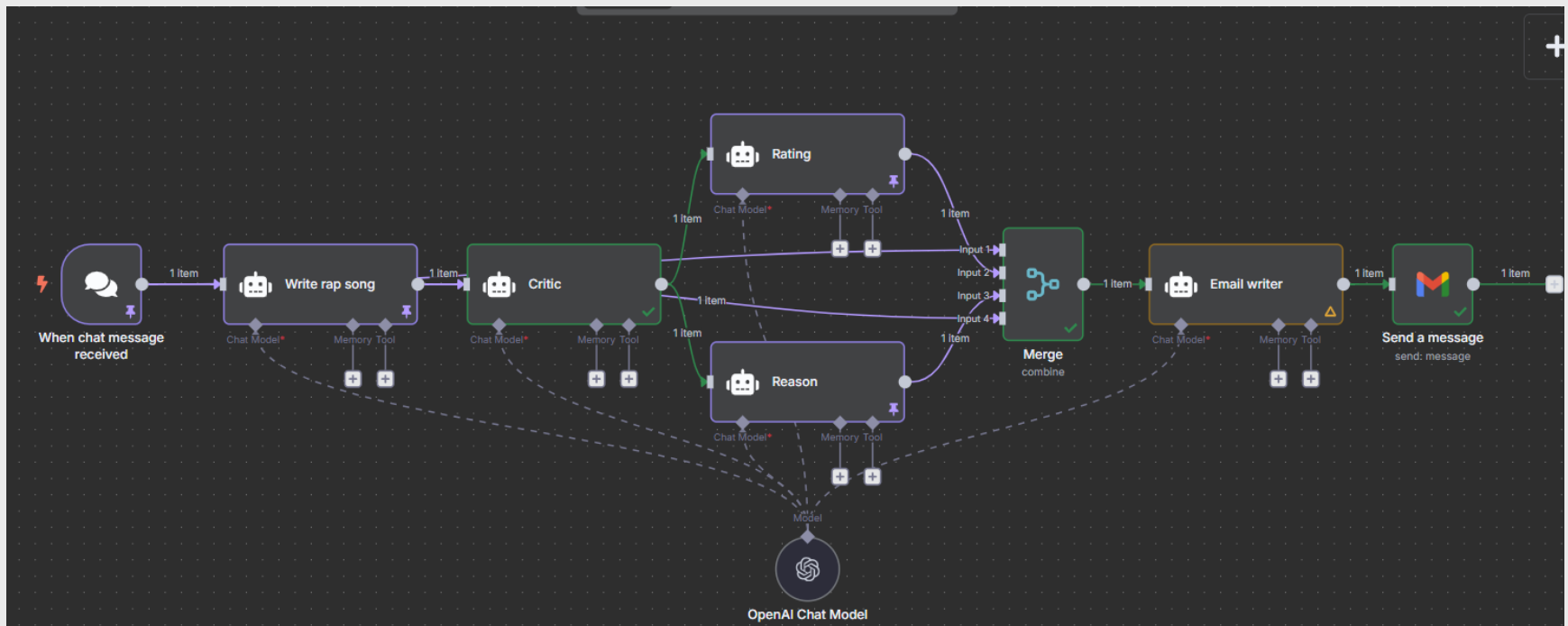
n8n Workflow

1. Data comes to the webhook from ElevenLabs
2. AI Agent rewrites the email to be in “the Queen’s English”
3. Code appends signature to email
4. Send a message sends the email from my Gmail account



Connecting Agents in n8n

- n8n makes it really easy to connect AI agents to each other for more complex workflows
- Here is an example of a rap song writer



“Coding” Session

- **We will create an ElevenLabs AI Conversational agent that can send emails with n8n tools**
- **We will try to make a more intelligent n8n workflow for the rap song writer**
- **No real coding today, just some n8n syntax**