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## Al Agents Knocking at the Door

The growing power of deep reasoning models pave the way for a new wave of Agentic AI applications able to automate broadening business functions, unlocking tremendous value. The customer journey to Agentic AI will take time and software players will have to evolve business + pricing models to thrive

### **Key Takeaways**

- Over decades software was developed based on the assumption that humans play the central role in executing tasks, workflows and business processes.
- Agentic computing removes this assumption, replacing it with the idea that Agents increasingly become the entity executing tasks and making decisions
- The value creation opportunity is enormous as Agentic applications penetrate the \$630+ billion application software market over time
- However, the transition to agentic will come with change redefining how apps are architected and requiring new business and pricing models
- Software companies well positioned to benefit include: AMZN, CRM, GOOG, HUBS, MSFT, NET, NOW, OKTA, OS, PLTR, SAIL, SNOW, & TEAM

For Deep Dive in the Agentic Computing Opportunity Please see our Agents Knocking on the Door Presentation attached to this report

Bringing Agency to Software. Over the last several decades, software has been developed based on the assumption that humans play the central role in executing tasks, workflows and processes. The expanding capabilities of Agentic AI removes this long-held assumption, replacing it with a framework where AI Agents increasingly become the entity executing tasks and making decisions. The coalescing forces driving this shift – the increasing power of deep reasoning models, the ability to have a semantic understanding of data and the declining price of intelligence – create a substantial opportunity for enterprises to automate entire business functions and processes, unlocking enormous value via digital labor replacement. However, investors should view the march towards agentic computing in the enterprise as an evolutionary journey rather than a revolutionary sprint. The inherently indeterminate nature of foundational models, a proliferation of application and data silos built up over decades, persistent challenges with data quality, an ever-growing list of security concerns and a lack of standardization with respect to governance models and application frameworks present significant obstacles to deploying Agentic AI applications – challenges the industry will have to solve over time.

**Bracing for Change.** Taking in proper historical context, Agentic computing represents the next progression of a long-standing evolution towards greater abstraction in software. At a basic level, an AI Agent is a software program defined MORGAN STANLEY & CO. LLC

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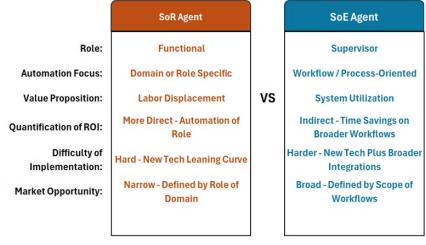
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by key attributes including the ability to: 1) understand and interact with its environment (receive inputs), 2) collect and connect to data, 3) take action autonomously without using pre-determined rules and 4) learn from its experience over time. Like past waves, the transition towards AI Agents will unleash greater automation, productivity and efficiency, but also force the software industry to redefine how applications are built and architected, as well as evolve business models including instituting new approaches to pricing.

System of Record vs. System of Engagement – A Framework for Organizing the Agent Landscape. The emerging Agentic Al landscape can be organized through a bifurcated framework distinguishing between System of Record (SoR) Agents and System of Engagement (SoE) Agents, each addressing distinct automation paradigms and market opportunities.

- SoR Agents function as domain-specific, functional automation solutions
   attempting to directly replace human roles in well-defined processes such as
   coding, customer service, sales lead generation, business intelligence, etc.
   Examples include GitHub Copilot, Salesforce Agentforce, and HubSpot
   Prospecting Agent. These Agents target a narrower market opportunity,
   which we closely align with IDC's labor-centric automation market segment,
   representing a \$16 billion opportunity today projected to reach \$33 billion by
   2028.
- SoE Agents operate as supervisory orchestrators focused on workflow
  and process automation across multiple systems, delivering value through
  improved system utilization and indirect time saving rather than direct labor
  replacement. Examples include ServiceNow Now Assist, GitLab Workflows,
  and Atlassian Rovo. These Agents target a broader market opportunity,
  which we closely align with IDC's system-centric and decision-centric
  automation, and business value engineering market segments, representing a
  \$36 billion opportunity today projected to reach \$69 billion by 2028.

**Exhibit 1:** Framework for Organizing the Agent Landscape – System of Record style Agents vs System of Engagement style Agents.



Source: Morgan Stanley Research

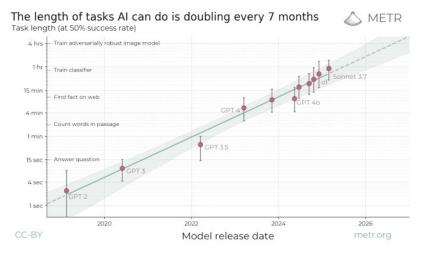
Where Are We on the Path to Agentic AI? Our industry conversations on

production deployments of AI Agents have been mixed – customers report that, when "working", results are impressive and easily exceed ROI mandates to warrant further investment. In a significant portion of cases, however, reliability, accuracy and precision have been disappointing. While this may suggest that the AI reasoning models are limited in their ability to handle complex tasks, we stress that the situation is fluid and major advancements in reasoning capabilities appear to be unfolding in a time frame measured in weeks. Underscoring this point, according to AI research firm METR, AI agents have doubled the length of tasks they can automate every 7 months for the last 6 years.

To contextualize where the market stands in terms of agent-based automation capabilities, AI agent provider Sema4.ai, uses a 5 level framework. Currently, the market is at level 3 on the path to fully autonomous Agentic AI. This represents the first level of *constrained autonomy* – moving beyond rule-based automation and task-specific co-pilots. At this stage, AI Agents can create, execute, and adapt plans based on feedback while handling complex tasks through multiple reasoning cycles.

For example, Salesforce's Agentforce agents can reconcile a 100-page invoice against internal systems with human-like reasoning. This represents a substantial leap from the lower levels of rule-based automation/robotic process automation (RPA) (level 0), basic Al-enhanced process automation (level 1), and task-specific Al assistants/copilots (level 2). However, the state of the market remains below level 4 capabilities – systems that can self-improve and modify their own instructions, and well below level 5 capabilities – fully autonomous AGI-type systems that are capable of independent reasoning and creativity without oversight. This progression indicates that while we have made significant progress in autonomous planning and execution capabilities, human oversight is still necessary in most cases.

**Exhibit 2:** Length of Tasks That Generalist Frontier Model Agents Can Complete Autonomously Has Been Doubling Approx. Every 7 Months for the Last 6 Years

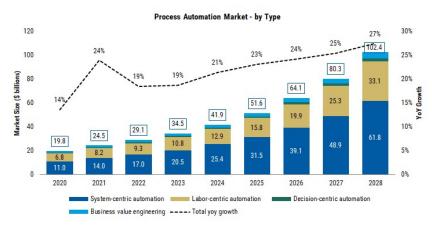


Source: Model Evaluation & Threat Research (METR) "Measuring AI Ability to Complete Long Tasks"

**How Big is the Opportunity?** We evaluate the addressable opportunity for agentic computing across three distinct lenses that reflect varying degrees of market penetration and technological maturity. A narrow view, focused on Al-powered automation, represents a \$6 billion opportunity today with projected growth to \$20

billion by 2028. A wider lens encompassing the broader process automation market represents a \$52 billion opportunity today with projected growth to \$102 billion by 2028. An expansive view of the opportunity sees Agentic AI applications penetrating the entirety of the application software market over time, which represented a \$637 billion opportunity today.

**Exhibit 3:** Expansive View on the Agentic Al Market Points to a \$52B Opportunity Today, Expected to Reach \$102B by 2028 (+26% CAGR)



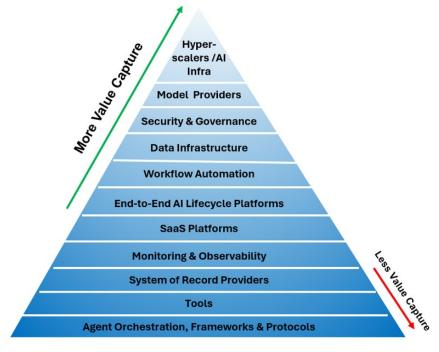
Source: IDC Research

Where Will Value Accrue Across the Stack? Looking across the different categories of the Agentic AI ecosystem, we see the highest value capture potential in the following areas.

- Hyperscalers/Al infrastructure: Al Infrastructure providers have a significant opportunity in providing the compute to enable the real-time inference that deep reasoning agents require. This gives leaders in this category license to not only provide the infrastructure but also the data retrieval, security, governance and policy enforcement capabilities required to operate,manage and secure agentic applications.
- AI Model providers: AI model providers extend the frontier around reasoning and intelligence that will make AI Agents more capable over time. This positioning provides the opportunity to extend into areas such as Agentic frameworks, data processing and integration so as to evolve into modern application platforms.
- Security & Governance: We see a significant monetization opportunity in making Agentic applications more trustworthy, reliable, accurate and secure. Agent architectures create a large surface area for cyber attacks including data exfiltration, supply chain attacks, prompt injection and open source contamination.
- 4. **Data Infrastructure:** For AI Agents to be useful, they need governed access to the most important data sources in real-time. We see two key opportunities for data infrastructure providers. First, in helping make Agentic architectures possible by modernizing a customer's data estate and improving data quality. Second, by enabling fast, reliable and accurate information retrieval at runtime.
- 5. Workflow Automation: With AI Agents embedded in workflow automation

- platforms, the unstructured components of common business processes can be more fully automated. As workflow automation platforms span across key enterprise systems, they become well-positioned to serve as an orchestration/management layer for both 1st and 3rd party agents.
- 6. AI Lifecycle Platforms: Agents within AI lifecycle platforms automate the workflows and tasks associated with developing and deploying AI applications including building data pipelines, integrating enterprise data with LLMs, building and evaluating models and visualizing data.
  Furthermore, Agents can be embedded into external applications to enhance customer engagement and to enable highly interactive experiences.

**Exhibit 4:** Most Value Likely Accrues to the Hyperscalers and AI Infrastructure Layer as AI Agent Deployments Likely Result in Significant Utilization of Significant Compute Resources



Source: Morgan Stanley Research

Which Companies are Poised to Benefit? In evaluating how software companies are positioned for the agentic opportunity, we organize the players into three categories -1) Agent Beneficiaries, 2) Agent Contenders and 3) Agent Wildcards.

- Agent Beneficiaries are vendors where we have conviction that they can
  either a) directly monetize AI Agents/Agentic architectures today or in the
  near future such that it becomes a meaningful contributor to growth or b)
  see their core business benefit materially from agentic adoption
- Agent Contenders are vendors that are in the right categories to see benefit
  but require a high degree of execution and market maturity that is not yet
  evident
- **Wildcards** are vendors where there is debate on whether agentic adoption results in a tailwind to growth or proves disruptive to the core business

Based on our assessment of strategic positioning, product roadmaps and the ability to execute to the opportunity, we highlight the following public companies as Agent Beneficiaries.

#### Al infrastructure

- Microsoft (OW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- Amazon (OW) Covered by Brian Nowak
- Google (OW) Covered by Brian Nowak

#### Cybersecurity

- Okta (OW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- Sailpoint (EW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- Cloudflare (OW) Covered by Keith Weiss

#### SaaS Platforms

- Salesforce (OW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- HubSpot (OW) Covered by Elizabeth Porter
- OneStream (OW) Covered by Chris Quintero

#### **Data Infrastructure**

- Snowflake (EW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- Palantir (EW) Covered by Sanjit Singh

#### **Workflow automation**

- ServiceNow (EW) Covered by Keith Weiss
- Atlassian (OW) Covered by Keith Weiss

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Wildcards **Agentic Contenders** Agentic Beneficiaries Microsoft Adobe appian OpenAl mongo DB. okta **Ui** Path ANTHROP\C servicenow SailPoint. dynatrace PagerDuty Q Palantir HubSpot elastic asana CLOUDFLARE Ø onestream INTUIT (\* CONFLUENT GitLab workday. docebo Couchbase COX DigitalOcean 日C3.ai

**Exhibit 5:** Vendors Best Positioned to Benefit from Agentic Al Opportunity

Source: Morgan Stanley Research

**Agent Pricing: Multiple Approaches But No Market Consensus Yet.** Al Agent pricing today is highly fragmented, as companies explore multiple approaches to best capture their fair share of the value being created by their Agentic offerings. Current approaches can be categorized along two dimensions — activity-based vs outcome-based models, and fixed vs variable pricing structures.

In the activity-based segment, companies like Cognition Labs and Harvey AI have adopted an "employee replacement" type model charging a fixed price per agent. Microsoft, OpenAI, and Anthropic utilize a "consumption model" with variable pricing based on agent actions/tokens. In the outcome-based segment, Salesforce and Artisan implement a "process automation model" charging on a per completed workflow basis (e.g., an Agentforce conversation regardless of successful outcome). Zendesk and Sierra employ a "results-based model" where customers only pay if the desired outcome was achieved. Meanwhile, vendors like Atlassian, SerivceNow and HubSpot are taking a hybrid approach by embedding agent capabilities within higher subscription tiers — with usage limits and ability to overconsume with additional pay.

Today most organizations still rely on traditional seat-based models, though increasingly with usage-based components, while workflow and outcome-based approaches continue to gain traction. This diversity in pricing strategies reflects the nascent stage of the enterprise opportunity and underscores that the market is still in a discovery phase in terms of settling on a pricing model for agentic solutions.

**Exhibit 6:** Most Companies Still Use Traditional Seat-Based Models, Though Increasingly Combined with Usage-Based Component. Workflow and Outcome-Based Models are Gaining Traction



Source: https://www.growthunhinged.com/p/ai-agent-pricing-framework, Morgan Stanley Research

The Obstacles to Widespread Adoption Are Significant. While most enterprises today are looking for ways to leverage GenAI, widespread adoption of Agentic AI across organizations will inevitably take time due to several unresolved obstacles. First, the indeterminate nature of models today means that accuracy and hallucinations remain an issue, making it difficult for businesses to fully trust AI-driven decision making. Second, the lack of adequate security guardrails raises serious concerns about the potential exfiltration of proprietary data or IP by bad actors. Third, the absence of agreed-upon standards, protocols, and frameworks for building multi-agent applications hinders interoperability and slows development. Fourth, data quality issues and a fragmented data and application silos limit the ability to effectively deal with complex business processes. Lastly, agentic systems lack sufficient semantic understanding of proprietary business data, especially given the unique processes and data nomenclature of each customer organization. Collectively, these obstacles mean that enterprises will likely proceed in a deliberate fashion as they work towards broader adoption of Agentic AI.

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# **Executive Summary**

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## What's the Big Idea?

• Bringing Agency to Software: Over the last several decades software has been developed based on the presumption that humans play the central role in executing tasks, workflows and processes. The adoption of AI Agents and Agentic Architectures means more and more of the software development effort will utilize a framework where AI agents will be the entity executing tasks and making decisions.

### **Implications**

Bracing for Change: Al agents represent the next phase of a long-standing evolution in software towards
greater abstraction of the tools used to automate business and consumer processes. Like past waves, the
transition towards Al Agents will result in greater automation, productivity and efficiency, but also force the
software industry to evolve business models and institute new approaches to pricing.

### Opportunity

- A narrow view on the Agentic AI market points to a \$6 billion opportunity today, expected to reach \$20 billion by 2028
- An expansive view on the Agentic AI market points to a \$52 billion opportunity today, expected to reach \$102 billion by 2028.

### Beneficiaries

- · Hyperscalers and AI infrastructure providers
- Al Model providers extending into the application layer
- Security vendors enabling authorization, threat detection, vulnerability/posture management and policy enforcement
- · Data management providers
- Workflow and process automation providers
- SaaS Platforms

#### **Risks**

- Indeterminate Nature of the Models: Accuracy and hallucinations are still a problem
- Lack of adequate security guardrails to ensure proprietary data or IP is not exfiltrated by bad actors
- Lack of agreement on standard, protocols and frameworks to build multi-agent applications
- · Lack semantic understanding of enterprise's business data from one organization to the next
- Limited reasoning capabilities to navigate complex business processes

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### What is an Al Agent?

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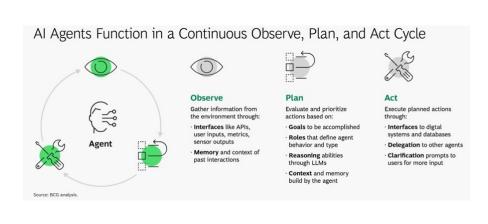
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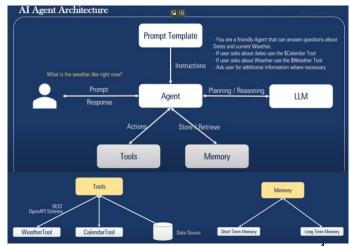
### Autonomous Al Agent

Autonomous AI Agents are systems that leverage large language models (LLMs) to plan and execute a task or process without a high degree of human interaction. These agents distinguish themselves from standard GenAI chatbots by combining tools (i.e., databases, websites, APIs, and even other agents) with memory of past interactions to chain multiple thoughts and actions together, enabling them to autonomously work toward defined objectives while drawing on both external information and learned experiences to produce relevant outputs.

### Agentic Architecture

Agentic Architecture generally refers to the idea of bringing together multiple engines for understanding queries/requests, evaluating strategies for solving problems, accessing necessary data and executing the planned actions. Under this architecture, a large language model *(LLM) typically serves as a reasoning engine*, *connected to tools and memory*. *Tools* help connect the LLM to other sources of data or computation and can be used to take actions (run code, modify files, etc.). *Memory* (short or long term) helps the agent remember previous interactions with either humans, other agents, or tools.





Source: Company Data, Morgan Stanley Research, <a href="https://www.simform.com">www.simform.com</a>

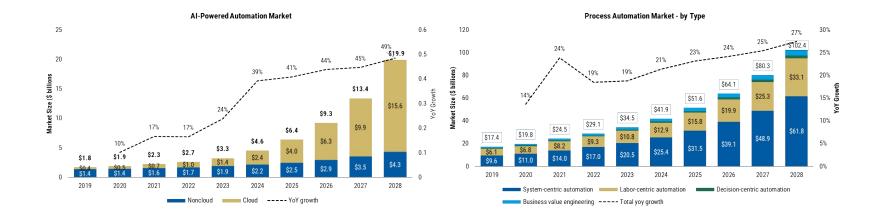
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### **How Big is the Market Opportunity?**

Narrow View **Evolution of Process Automation:** A narrow view on the Agentic AI market points to a \$6 billion opportunity today, expected to reach \$20 billion by 2028

Expansive View

**Broad Expansion of Application Functionality:** An expansive view on the Agentic AI market points to a \$52 billion opportunity today, expected to reach \$102 billion by 2028.



### **Key Drivers**

- Increased demand from enterprises to further automate processes.
- · Ongoing Improvements in foundational models results in more business value being realized, driving further demand.
- · Continued declines in the price of intelligence which raises ROI for AI initiatives driving more demand for agents.

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### System of Record (SoR) vs System of Engagement (SoE) Al Agents

SoR vs. SoE Ai Agents

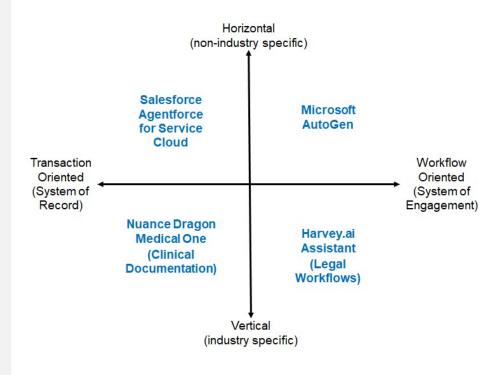
High level framework for organizing the agent landscape is the distinction between System of Record style agents from System of Engagement style agents.

### System of Record (SoR) Agent:

- Automates transactions within one application or domain
- For example, Saleforce's Agentforce automated the interactions of a Call Center agent

### System of Engagement (SoE) Agent:

- Automates business processes spanning multiple applications or systems
- For example, an HR Onboarding workflow spanning Payroll, Benefits, IT Procurement systems to complete a workflow



Source: Morgan Stanley Research

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### System of Record (SoR) vs System of Engagement (SoE) Al Agents

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**SoR Agent** 

Role: Functional

Automation Focus: Domain or Role Specific

Value Proposition: Labor Displacement

Quantification of ROI: More Direct - Automation of Role

Difficulty of Implementation: Hard - New Tech Leaning Curve

Market Opportunity:

Narrow - Defined by Role of Domain

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**SoE Agent** 

Supervisor

**Workflow / Process-Oriented** 

**System Utilization** 

Indirect - Time Savings on Broader Workflows

Harder - New Tech Plus Broader Integrations

Broad - Defined by Scope of Workflows

Source: Morgan Stanley Research

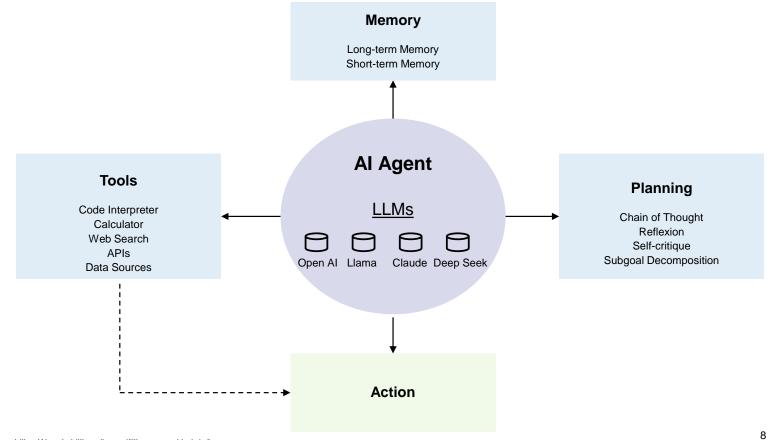
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### **The Emerging AI Agent Operating System**



The emerging AI Agent Operating System (OS) consists of: 1) the LLM, 2) Tools, 3) Access to Memory and 4) the ability to plan



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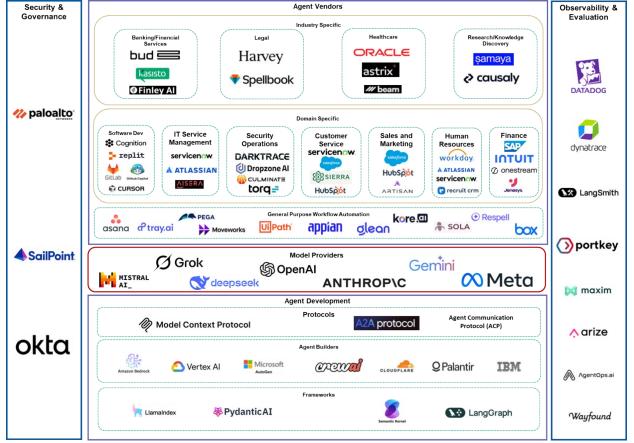
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### **Current Market Landscape**

**Bottom Line** 

Agentic Al market landscape extends from vendors enabling Agent development to vendors providing purpose-built and general-purpose Agents



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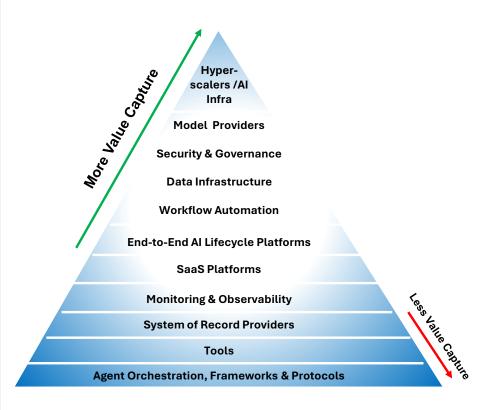
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### Where in the Stack Will Value Accrue?

**Bottom Line** 

The most value likely accrues to the hyperscalers and Al infrastructure layer as Al Agent deployments likely result in significant utilization of significant compute resources

- Other Parts of the Stack Likely to Benefit:
  - Model Providers: Serving as the "brain" of any agentic solution gives license for model providers to own more of the AI app stack
  - Security, Governance & Guardrails: The ability to infuse trust, reliability and accuracy while enforcing policy present significant opportunities for monetization
  - Data Infrastructure: A necessary requirement to build useful, effective and accurate agentic systems require a modern data infra that make proprietary unstructured and structured data easily governed and accessible
  - Workflow Automaters: Software providers that are ingrained in customers' key workflows and business processes can create substantial value by further automating those workflows or reengineering altogether with agentic Al



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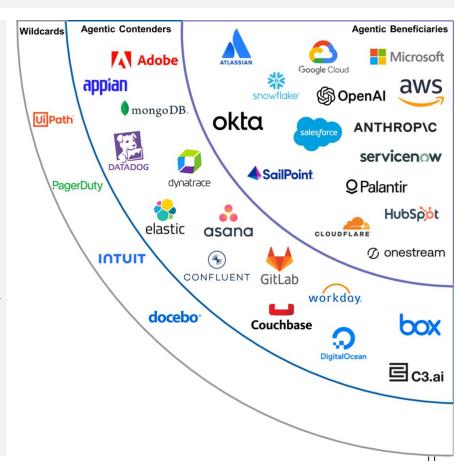
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### Who is Poised to Capture the Agentic Opportunity?

**Bottom Line** 

Software vendors best positioned to benefit based on a) ability to monetize Al Agents/Agentic architecture or b) core business benefitting from enterprise adoption

- Agent Beneficiaries are vendors where we have conviction that can either a) directly monetize AI Agents/Agentic architectures today or in the near future such that it to becomes a meaningful contributor to growth or b) see their core business benefit materially from agentic adoption
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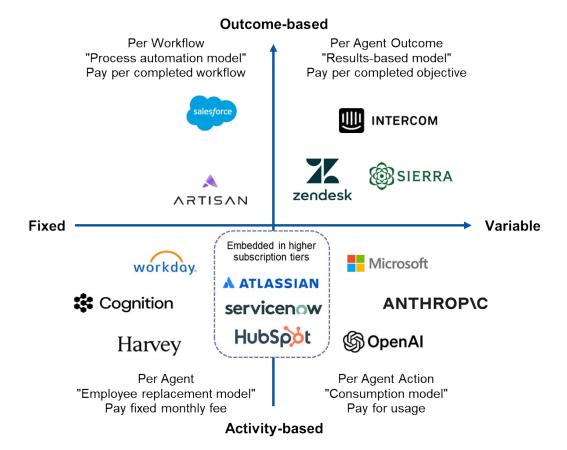
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### **How Will Al Agents Be Priced?**



Coming from an era of seat-based pricing, agentic pricing is taking on several forms with no clear consensus at this early stage



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**Key Debates** 

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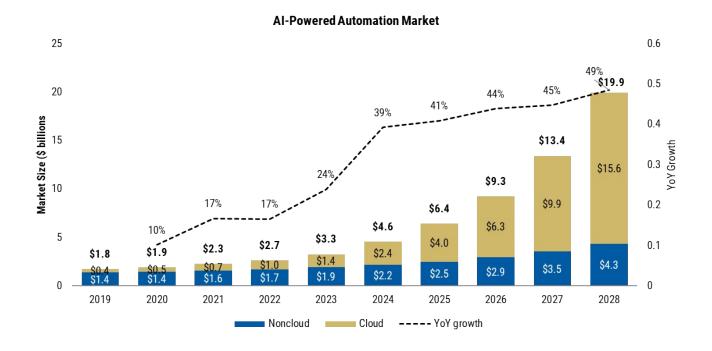
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### Debate #1: How Big is the Opportunity?

**Bottom Line** 

A conservative view on the Agentic Al market points to a \$6 billion opportunity today, expected to reach \$20 billion by 2028

• IDC definition of AI-powered automation includes agentic automation, intelligent document processing (IDO), business process-specific specialized models, and predictive analytics



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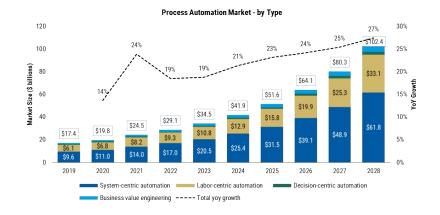
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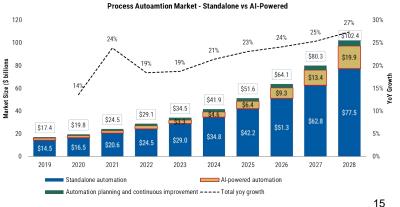
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- System of Record (SoR) Al Agent: Aligning the SoR market opportunity with IDC's labor-centric automation market segment
  - \$16B market opportunity today → \$33B by 2028
  - Labor-centric automation includes business process automation and robotic process automation
  - Functionalities typically support people-oriented activities that require manual steps or human decision-making (i.e., loan approvals, new employee onboarding)
- System of Engagement (SoE) Al Agent: Aligning the SoE market opportunity with IDC's system-centric, decision-centric, and business value engineering market segments
  - \$36B market opportunity today → \$69B by 2028
  - Functions typically involve back-end automation of two or more systems to support interoperability, exchange info, and process transactions, along with rules-based decision automation

While our definitions of SoR/SoE Al Agents do not exactly match IDC's market segment definition, we believe these serve as close proxies







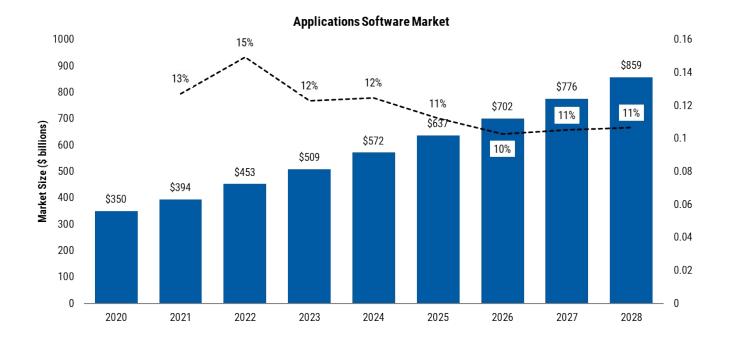
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### **Debate #1: How Big is the Opportunity?**

**Bottom Line** 

As Agentic AI solutions mature, more of the Application Software market should open up as potential opportunity



Source: IDC Software Tracker Forecast

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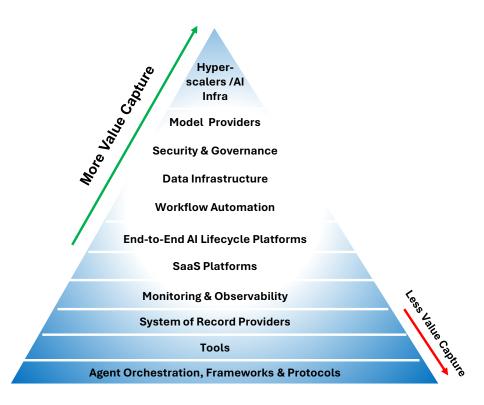
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### Debate #2: Where Will Value Accrue?

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  - Model Providers: Serving as the "brain" of any agentic solution gives license for model providers to own more of the AI app stack
  - Security, Governance & Guardrails: The ability to infuse trust, reliability and accuracy while enforcing policy present significant opportunities for monetization
  - Data Infrastructure: A necessary requirement to build useful, effective and accurate agentic systems require a modern data infra that make proprietary unstructured and structured data easily governed and accessible
  - Workflow Automaters: Software providers that are ingrained in customers' key workflows and business processes can create substantial value by further automating those workflows or reengineering altogether with agentic AI





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### **Debate #2: Assessing Where Value Accrues in the Stack**

Layer	<b>Definition</b>	Rationale	Examples	✓ Monetizatio ✓
Hypescaler / Al Infra	Includes the compute, network, storage and model serving capabilites for the Al models that power agentic architecture	Al Infrastructure providers have a significant opportunity in providing the compute to enable the real-time inference that deep reasoning agents require. This gives leaders in this category license to not only provide the infrastructure but also the data retrieval, security, governance and policy enforcement capabilities required to operate, manage and secure agentic applications.	Amazon AWS, Google Cloud, Microsoft Azure, Coreweave, Lambda	Very High
Al Model Providers	Includes the state-of-the-art language, image, video and audio Al models both commercial and open source	Al model providers extend the frontier around reasoning and intelligence that will make Al agents more capable over time. This positioning provides the opportunity to extend into areas such as agentic frameworks, data processing and integration so as to evolve into modern application platforms.	Open Al, Anthropic, Llama, Deep Seek, Mistral, Grok	Very High
Security & Governance	Includes the state-of-the-art language, image, video and audio Al models both commercial and open source	We see a significant monetization opportunity in making agentic applications more trustworthy, reliable, accurate and secure. Agent architectures create a large surface area for cyber attacks including data exfiltration, supply chain attacks, prompt injection and open source contamination.	Palo Alto Networks, Crowdstrike, Okta Sailpoint, Rubrik	, Very High
Data Infrastructure	Includes the data management software that enables and govern access to an organization's structured, semi-structured unstructured data	For Al agents to be useful, they need governed access to the most important data sources in real-time. We see two key opportunities for data infrastructure providers. First, in helping make agentic architectures possible by modernizing a customer's data estate and improving data quality. Second, by enabling fast, reliable and accurate information retrieval at runtime.	Oracle, Snowflake MongoDB, Confluent	∋, High
Workflow	Workflow automation reduces manual work by automating the flow of tasks, documents and data involved in common work related activities and business processes	With Al agents embedded in workflow automation platforms, the unstructured components of common business processes can be more fully automated. As workflow automation platforms span across key enterprise systems, they become well-positioned to serve as an orchestration/management layer for both 1st and 3rd party agents.	ServiceNow, Atlassian, Monday Appian, UiPath	/ High
Al Lifecycle Platforms	Platforms that automate the lifecycle for building + running Al applications including data integration, data processing, ontology mapping, model building/evaluation and app deployment	Agents within Al lifecycle platforms automate the workflows and tasks associated with developing and deploying Al applications including building data pipelines, integrating enterprise data with LLMs, building and evaluating models and visualizing data. Furthermore, agents can be embedded into external applications to enhance customer engagement and to enable highly interactive experiences.	Palantir	High

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### **Debate #2: Assessing Where Value Accrues in the Stack**

Layer	Definition	Rationale	Examples 💌	Monetizatio <b>3</b>
SaaS Platforms	Includes incumbent SaaS platforms who serve as system of record across multiple domains resulting in these platforms operating multiple data silos for their end customers	With agents, SaaS platforms will be able drive much deeper levels of automation and efficiency for each business function or domain they operate. Al Agents add value by unlocking the full capabilities of SaaS platforms. However, the challenge will be pricing as SaaS providers have often priced per seat or per user heading into an era where seats (at least for some functions) may stop growing or decline	Salesforce, Adobe, HubSpot	Medium
Observability	software that monitors the health and performance of the digital business including the underlying infrastructure, applications and end user activity	The adoption of agentic architectures increases the complexity of the app environment and expands the surface area for monitoring. Furthermore, observability agents can automate the investigation process and kick off remediation workflows typically executed by engineering staff. The debate will be whether incumbents capture the opportunity or whether there will be a need for a new breed of Al-native observability solutions.	Datadog, Dynatrace	Medium
System of Record	Systems of record software are information retrieval systems that serve as the source of truth and central repository for data of specific domain ensuring consistency and accuracy across the entire organization	Al agents, simplify access to systems of record and make it easier for customers to build operational and analytical applications on top of these core business systems. In addition, agents can replace human labor for common tasks such as cash collection associated with key business functions. However, to fully automate business processes that span multiple systems, requires agents that can coordinate across multiple systems	Workday, ADP, Intuit	Medium
Tools	Encompass the set of actions that an Al agent can take by calling specific services or functions it has access to.	Tools make Ai agents useful by giving Agents the ability to take action in the face of query or trying to solve a problem or task. Tools can include calendars, calculators code interpreters, web search, enterprise search, APIs, databases and much more.		Low
Frameworks & Protocol	Includes frameworks and protocols to build multi- agent applications, foster agent to agent communication, enable multi-agent orchestration and connect LLMs to external tools and data sources	The abstraction and standardization benefits that application frameworks and management/orchestration tools provide play a crucial role in accelerating the pace of development of modern applications. However, the monetization in this area of software has been mixed looking back over the past few decades, particularly as open source technologies have played a more dominant role within application infrastructure	Autogen, MCP, A2A, ACP	Low

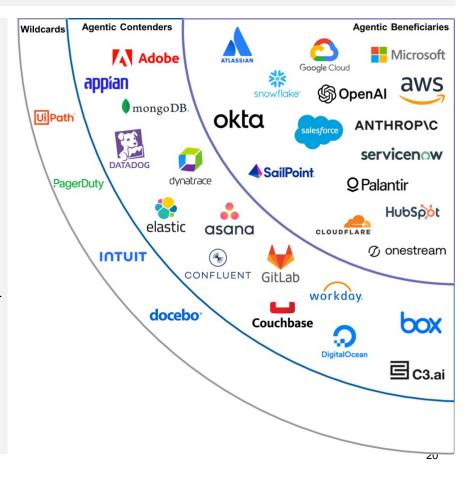
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### Debate #3: Which Public Companies Are Positioned to Capture the Opportunity?

**Bottom Line** 

Software vendors best positioned to benefit based on a) ability to monetize Al Agents/Agentic architecture or b) core business benefitting from enterprise adoption

- Agent Beneficiaries are vendors where we have conviction that can either a) directly monetize AI Agents/Agentic architectures today or in the near future such that it to becomes a meaningful contributor to growth or b) see their core business benefit materially from agentic adoption
- Agent Contenders are vendors that are in the right categories to see benefit but require a high degree of execution and market maturity that is not yet evident
- Wildcards are vendors whose where there is debate on whether agentic adoption results in a tailwind to growth or proves disruptive to the core business



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### Debate #3: Which Vendors Are Best Positioned to Win?

### **Agent Beneficiaries – Hyperscalers**

- In our 1Q25 CIO Survey, CIO's indicated Microsoft as the top vendor expected to be used for Agentic AI strategies
- Microsoft's focus and expertise on security and data privacy create critical trust within vast existing customer installed base to develop and deploy agents responsibly

### **Microsoft**

- Microsoft's ubiquitous productivity & business apps allow for deep integrations w/ Enterprise workflows and data; its strong developer ecosystem and platform offerings provide a natural adoption path of Microsoft's Agentic AI products
- Microsoft benefits from its comprehensive AI portfolio and its breadth of Agent specific offerings, including: GitHub
  Copilot's asynchronous coding agent; Azure AI Foundry Agent Service, Microsoft 365 Copilot Studio / Agent Build,
  Agents for Microsoft Teams, M365 Agents toolkit for Visual Studio, M365 Agents SDK, Data Agents in Microsoft Fabric,
  SRE agents (among others)

### Amazon AWS

- AMZN continues to be the share leader within the public cloud market, with the largest base of customers to cross sell GenAl capabilities into. AWS has already generated multiple billions of dollars in Al revenue.
- In our 1Q25 CIO Survey, Amazon ranked as the second largest gainer of incremental share of both overall IT budgets and GenAl workloads.
- AMZN offers Amazon Q to businesses, integrating with a user's AWS account, business intelligence tools, contact
  center and business apps to provide comprehensive and personalized answers to user questions as well as perform
  tasks on behalf of the user.

### Google Cloud

- In our 1Q25 CIO Survey, Google Cloud was the third largest gainer of incremental share of IT budgets as enterprises shift to the cloud in the next three years, trailing Microsoft and Amazon
- Google has announced various agentic offerings and shipping products at an accelerated pace, including Project Mariner (which is coming to Vertex AI), Gemini Code Assist, Vertex AI Agent Builder, and Gemini for Google Workspace
- Gemini 2.5 Pro is currently the leading model across a variety of benchmarks and Google's integration of Gemini across GCP could improve capabilities and enterprise adoption

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### **Agent Beneficiaries – Model Providers**

#### OpenAI has established itself as a frontrunner in Agentic AI development, with several foundational models serving as the intelligence backbone for agentic systems. The company has released a complete development ecosystem for building agentic applications including 1) Agents SDK, 2) Responses API, and 3) built-in tools integration

### **OpenAl**

Anthropic

- The company has moved beyond theoretical frameworks and delivered practical agentic applications that demonstrate its potential including 1) Operator, an autonomous AI agent capable of performing complex tasks through web browser interactions, 2) Codex, an agentic web-based coding tool, and 3) Deep Research, an agent that conducts in-depth web searches and analyses to generate comprehensive reports
- OpenAI has significant financial backing enabling it to innovate, having raised a total of \$48 billion in private funding with the latest record-setting \$40 billion funding round at a \$300 billion valuation – would make it the fourth largest publicly traded software company after MSFT (\$3.4 trillion), ORCL (\$560 billion), and PLTR (\$318 billion)

 The company's Claude models provide the cognitive backbone for advanced agentic systems, including Claude 3.7 Sonnet which introduced a breakthrough "hybrid reasoning" framework that enables users to control the computational resources used, optimizing performance based on task complexity. The model family (Haiku, Sonnet, Opus) offers right-sized solutions across use cases, from real-time customer service agents to longer term tasks with many steps

Anthropic has emerged as a formidable contender to OpenAI, with differentiated technological capabilities, strategic

partnerships, and a governance framework uniquely suited for enterprise adoption

Strategic partnerships – AWS and Accenture – and constitutional AI framework is helping drive enterprise adoption. particularly in highly regulated industries. Partnership with AWS and Palantir to provide U.S. intelligence and defense agencies access to Claude, validating security credentials for sensitive applications

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### **Agent Beneficiaries – Cybersecurity**

### **SailPoint**

- IGA solutions are focused on helping organizations set and enforce policies around who has access to what
  applications and data in an organization and as AI agents are deployed at scale across an enterprise, they will need an
  increasing level of access to both data and applications to complete more complex tasks. With SailPoint's foundation in
  IGA, existing human identity security capabilities should translate well to non-human's
- Announced its "Agent Identity Security" solution in March with capabilities including 1) managing lifecycle of AI agents with automated governance, and 2) enforcing access certifications to prevent unauthorized access and security risks.

### Okta

- A leader in human authentication, a growing presence within governance, and the company's "Auth for GenAl" solution highlight the continued expansion of Okta's capabilities across multiple identity security growth vectors.
- While Okta is taking a different approach to positioning itself within the agentic marketplace, its leadership in
  authentication and success with newer product cycles highlight the company as another potential winner as the use of
  Al agents across the enterprise continue to expand.
- Okta's "Auth for GenAl" solution includes 1) user authentication, 2) calling APIs on the user's behalf, 3) async authentication, and 4) fine grained authorization for retrieval augmented generation (RAG).

### Cloudflare

- In early innings of monetizing its multi-product platform and has emerged as a potential GenAl winner as orgs. look to adopt and experiment with LLMs. By leveraging its "Edge Network" with 330+ PoPs globally, it's well-positioned to gain share given increased Al inference at the edge, especially as it relates to cost, latency and data security/residency.
- Cloudflare's Developer Services Platform already has >3 million developers and continues to see growing adoption across R2 Object Storage, Workers and AI gateway for training, inference and monitoring AI workloads.
- Cloudflare's Workers AI, a serverless GPU-powered platform on Cloudflare's global network, provides all the foundational elements of running AI inference on GPUs in 190+ cities.

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### **Debate #3: Which Vendors Are Best Positioned to Win?**

#### **Agent Beneficiaries – Data Infrastructure**

Snowflake is poised to benefit from the deployment of AI agents and agentic architectures in two fundamental ways.
 First, as one of the popular stores of business data and increasingly semi-structured and unstructured data, Snowflake will be a key source of context and information for a variety of 3<sup>rd</sup> party and custom developed AI agents. Second, Snowflake is also well positioned to monetize agentic architectures with its Cortex Agents.

### **Snowflake**

- Cortex agent leverage two key Al "tools" from Snowflake 1) Cortex Analyst and 2) Cortex Search. Cortex agents call
  Cortex Analyst in scenarios when the agent needs to respond to queries requiring structured data leveraging Cortex
  Analyst's text-to-sql capabilities. In cases, where the agent needs to respond to an unstructured data request (such as
  document or an invoice) Cortext Search is called given its hybrid search (semantic + keyword) capabilities.
- Snowflake's agents can be embedded in any application and the core value proposition is the ability to respond to structured and unstructured queries from a single platform.

### Palantir

- As part of its Foundry platform for commercial customers, Palantir AIP allows customers to securely deploy LLMs
  within organizations and provides a set of integrated capabilities including data integration, ontology mapping,
  management services, workflow automation, application deployment and many others to build AI applications.
- AIP supports the building and deployment of AI agents that can then be embedded within AIP applications via the AIP Agent Studio module within AIP
- With Agent Studio, customer can build agents of varying complexity including simple ad-hoc agents, task-specific
  agents, agentic applications (that can manage and update state) and fully automated agents that can be delegated
  tasks to fully execute complex workflows.

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### **Debate #3: Which Vendors Are Best Positioned to Win?**

### **Agent Beneficiaries – Workflow Automation**

• ServiceNow's expansion in the scope of workflows automated and ability to combine AI, data, and workflow automation position it to become the de facto "AI operating system for enterprises".

### ServiceNow

- Al agents and their ability to solve more complex use cases will be based upon the data they're built upon and ServiceNow's expansive workflow automation capabilities (IT, HR, customer service, etc.) combined with its CMDB serving as the system of record for enterprises' IT infrastructure (>85% of Fortune 500 are customers) provide the company with a robust data asset that it can leverage to offer differentiated Al agents.
- Building upon this data advantage, ServiceNow's Workflow Data Fabric offering provides customers with the ability to connect their data residing outside of ServiceNow into the platform, unifying customer data and expanding the number of use cases Al agents can address.

### **Atlassian**

- Atlassian's core products are deeply embedded in the daily workflows of enterprises and teams, giving the company a
  unique vantage point on how modern organizations collaborate, manage projects, and share knowledge. This
  foundation, along with a highly efficient innovation engine, positions it well to integrate agentic AI across core
  workflows and benefit from the emerging opportunity
- Atlassian has embedded Rovo and Atlassian Intelligence its Al/Agentic Al functionalities into its core products (Jira, Confluence, and Jira Service Management). We view this approach as the right strategic move for driving near-term adoption and usage to secure a better positioning for the long-term agentic Al opportunity
- Today there are >1.5 million MAUs on Rovo and Atlassian Intelligence, up from >1 million a quarter ago

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### **Agent Beneficiaries – SaaS Platforms**

### Salesforce

- Salesforce remains a key play on the incumbency advantage to operationalizing AI agents, with competitive differentiation across: 1) Defined Role, where Salesforce can extrapolate clearly outlined jobs for the agents that exist inside an organization, de-risking the process & time to defining the experience; 2) Data, where Data Cloud ingests structured, unstructured, metadata, & federated data both internally from Salesforce and from external sources (Snowflake, Databricks, etc), to drive knowledge behind the agents; 3) Actions, or the workflows needed to perform a job, where Salesforce can capitalize on years of experience building a broad swath of workflows, all while leveraging the Trust Layer to place ethical and accuracy guardrails around each step of the agent process
- Salesforce's solid Agentic positioning is growing increasingly apparent with building Agentforce momentum: as of F1Q26, the company sustained 120% YoY growth in Data + Al ARR (~\$100M of which is specific to Agentforce) & reported ~8k Agentforce deals, up from ~5k in 4Q25

### HubSpot

- HubSpot is well positioned to address the agent opportunity given: 1) deep data sets combining rich structured and
  unstructured data; 2) a unified platform approach that provides context across data, engagement (myriad different
  hubs), and action (Al-powered execution); and 3) a vibrant agent ecosystem developed through the company's
  Agent.ai network. Further, HubSpot's value proposition as an easy-to-use, out of the box solution with Al embedded
  across the platform allows for quick time-to-deployment and potential to scale over time
- Strategically, HubSpot remains relentlessly focused on driving strong adoption and utilization with new products before introducing direct monetization, a framework we believe should foster strong and durable monetization tailwinds ahead
- With usage and adoption statistics starting to materially inflect, HubSpot's move to integrate credit-based pricing strategies for the Customer Agent product bridges an intuitive hybrid Subscription/Consumption model which should well align price to value for the solution

## OneStream

- Al Agents have a higher likelihood of initial adoption and are monetizable within domains that are: 1) Primarily cost
  centers, where organizations can realize tangible ROI from reduced headcount; 2) Experiencing talent shortages,
  where organizations are increasingly looking to technology as the solution for the labor gap; and 3) High levels of
  manual data processing. Furthermore, given enterprise CFO buyers are inherently more risk-averse, we believe this
  will allow for existing vendors in this space to benefit versus new vendors.
- OneStream has been developing AI/ML tools since 2017 (SensibleML) and recently launched multiple agents (Finance Analyst, Operations Analyst, Search Analyst, Deep Analysis) that have seen strong initial customer feedback as the agents can handle a lot of the manual and data intensive parts of their jobs.

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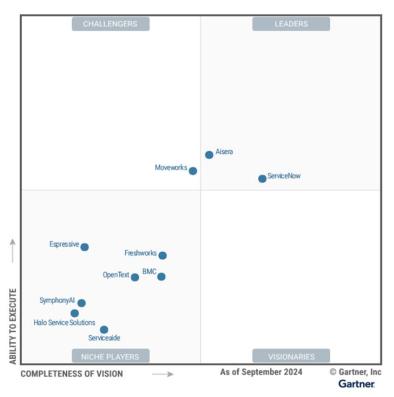
Gartner defines this segment as "tools that augment and extend IT Service Management workflows using AI."

- They analyze ITSM data and metadata to provide advice and actions on IT service desk and support activities.
- They can either be stand-alone solutions, capabilities within an ITSM platform, or an add-on to an ITSM platform.

While this definition and solutions are not strictly "Agentic", this gives us a rough sense of which vendors are best positioned in the ITSM space as this technology progresses and garners adoption.

- ServiceNow offers "thousands" of pre-built Al agents for "every" workflow and an Al Agent Studio to build fully customized agents. The company also recently introduced its Al Agent Orchestrator, a "control tower" that conducts planning and leads collaboration between ServiceNow and third-party Al Agents.
- Aisera's Agent Assist is an Agentic Al-driven tool designed to boost agent productivity by providing real-time, context-aware answers and case summaries, recommend next best actions, and draft knowledge-base articles. Embeds directly within SaaS apps like ServiceNow, Salesforce, Zendesk, Jira, Freshworks, etc.
- Moveworks' platform, powered by its Agentic Automation Engine, enables users to create Al Agents for automating workflows across the organization.

#### Magic Quadrant for Al Applications in IT Service Management



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Gartner defines this segment as "tools that assist in generating and analyzing software code and configuration."

- They use LLMs fine-tuned for code and/or programunderstanding technology, and integrate into developer tools like code editors, command-line terminals and chat interfaces.
- Developers can prompt it to generate, analyze, debug, fix, and refactor code, to create documentation, and to translate code between languages.

While this definition and solutions are not strictly "Agentic", this gives us a rough sense of which vendors are best positioned in the Software Developer space as this technology progresses and garners adoption.

- GitLab Duo provides AI capabilities across the software delivery lifecycle, including 1) code generation, completion, explanation, refactoring, 2) security vulnerability and root cause analysis, and 3) value stream analytics. In addition, GitLab is working on GitLab Duo Workflows, moving beyond code assistant and into Agentic AI. It'll behave like an autonomous always-on agent monitoring projects to identify and resolve
- GitHub Copilot developed by GitHub in collaboration with OpenAI, provides real-time code suggestion, completions, and assistance throughout the software delivery lifecycle. It was first to market (ahead of GitLab) and is the most widely used code assistant today.
- · Google's Gemini Code Assist
- · Amazon CodeWhisperer

#### Magic Quadrant for Al Code Assistant



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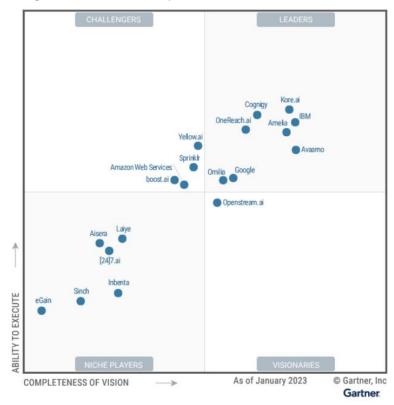
Gartner defines this segment as "software platforms used to build, orchestrate and maintain multiple use cases and modalities of conversational automation."

 Most notably addresses customer service and support, IT service desk, HR, and call center automation.

While this definition and solutions are not strictly "Agentic", this gives us a rough sense of which vendors are best positioned in the conversational agent space (i.e., customer service, sales and marketing, etc.) as this technology progresses and garners adoption.

- Kore.ai offer an Agent Platform with pre-built and custom Al Agent for internal support (i.e., HR, IT), external (i.e., customer service), and process automation.
- Cognigy offers customer service specific AI agents that can be easily deployed in contact centers. It offers voice and chat agents, as well as agent copilots for human service agents.

#### Magic Quadrant for Enterprise Conversational Al Platforms



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## Debate #4: How Will Agents be Priced?

#### **Bottom Line**

Many vendors focused on driving adoption and usage rather than generating meaningful revenue from their Al Agents. Despite having a pricing model in place, most are experimenting with different forms, including usage-based, workflow-based, and outcome-based.

#### **Per Agent**

- Fixed Monthly Fee: Customers pay a recurring fee for access to the AI agent, regardless of usage (i.e., Devin)
- Tiered Pricing: Different pricing tiers offer varying levels of access and features
- Per-User Pricing: Customers pay a fee per user who has access to the Al agent (i.e., NOW)

## Per Action / Consumption

- API Calls: Vendors charge based on the number of requests made to the AI agent's API (CRM's Flex Credits)
- Compute Time/Data Processed: Pricing is tied to the amount of processing power or data the AI agent uses
- Token-Based: Based on the number of tokens used for input and output by the Al agent (i.e., Anthropic, OpenAl)

#### **Per Workflow**

• Per Conversation: Customers pay a fee for each Al agent interaction or conversation (i.e., CRM)

#### **Per Outcome**

- Latest evolution of pricing, whereby customers pay based on the successful outcomes achieved by the Al
  agent, such as resolved conversations, saved cancellations, or increased sales.
- While not publicly available, Sierra emphasizes an "outcome-based pricing" approach for their customer service Al agent.

#### **Embedded**

- · Access to Al Agents/features included in the higher subscription tier.
- Current state of many vendors who are focusing on driving customer adoption and usage (i.e., TEAM and HUBS).

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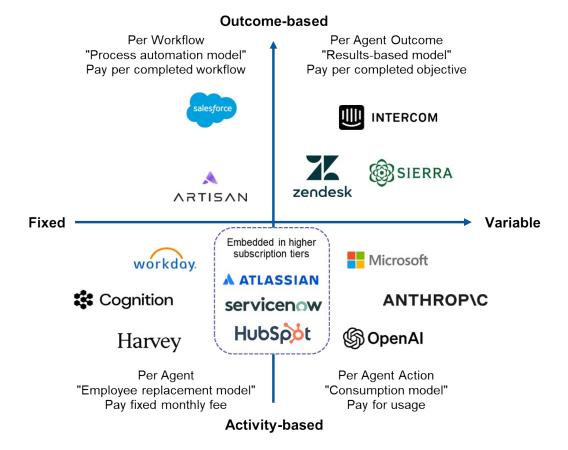
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## Debate #4: How Will Agents be Priced?

**Bottom Line** 

Most companies still use the traditional seat-based models, though increasingly combined with a usage-based component. Workflow and outcome-based models are gaining traction



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### Debate #4: How Will Agents be Priced?

#### Case Study: Workflow-based Pricing - Salesforce (Agentforce)

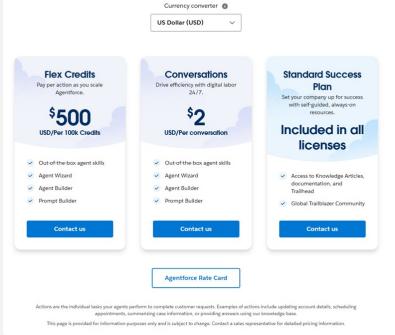
Initially launched with straightforward \$2 per conversation model

- · Conversation types include:
  - ASA Messaging: Conversation window starts when the user first sends a message and ends 24 hours later
  - Sales Coach: Conversation is consumed when a user clicks "Get Feedback" following a role play or a stand-and-deliver coaching session
  - Sales Development Rep (SDR): Conversation is consumed when an SDR agent sends out the initial email to a lead.
     Includes all subsequent activities carried out by the agent for that lead
- Each conversation includes 200 Einstein Requests, with additional requests drawing from a shared pool or incurring overage charges

Introduced three additional pricing models on May 15, 2025, including:

- Flex Credits: Offers granular consumption-based pricing at \$0.10 per action (20 Flex Credits), allowing customers to pay only for specific agent activities. Credits are sold in packs of 100K for \$500
- Flex Agreement: Convert user licenses into Flex Credits or viceversa, allowing you to move your budget between people and Al agents as needed
- Agentforce User Licenses, and add-ons with included Agentforce usage: Unlimited employee-facing agent usage through traditional per-user, per-month pricing. *Pricing coming Summer 2025*

#### Get started with Agentforce today.



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### Debate #4: How Will Agents be Priced?

#### Case Study: Outcome-based Pricing - Zendesk (Al Agents)

Pricing strategy exemplifies the evolving landscape of enterprise Al monetization, blending traditional subscription with outcome-based pricing

- Existing subscription plans embed Al capabilities, with incremental features on higher tiers and add-ons
- Outcome-based pricing: Introduced in Sept 2024 as a model directly dependent on the AI agent performance
  - Pay \$1.50-\$2 per successfully resolved AI interaction with volume discounts available
  - Exempts escalations to human agents from charges, directly tying costs to business results

Outcome-based model addresses key customer pain points:

- · Cost predictability: Avoid overpaying for underperforming Al
- Scalability: Unlimited AI capacity during peak periods w/o fixed staffing costs
- ROI transparency: Compare cost per AI-resolved ticket to human cost

We note some customer confusion over what constitutes an "automated resolution", with abandoned chats sometimes triggering charges

#### Support Team Suite Team Suite Professional Suite Enterprise \$19 \$115 \$55 Simplify email support with Test updates safely in sandbox Control access with custom Refine operations with CSAT Offer 24/7 support with a help Automate with routing and Streamline approvals and track Build trust with working hour Action insights with prebuil Handle spikes with extra capacity ✓ Unify data with 1.000+ .+ Shrink queues with generative integrations .\* Improve CSAT with quality routing FEATURED Assist and optimize with agent

**Traditional Subscription** 

#### **Outcome-based Pricing**

	Support Team	Suite Team	Suite Professional	Suite Enterprise
Al agents				^
Essential plan	<b>✓</b> *	~	~	~
Advanced plan	Add-on	Add-on	Add-on	Add-on
ncluded automated resolutions (up to 10K)	5 ARs per agent/month	5 ARs per agent/month	10 ARs per agent/month	15 ARs per agent/monti
Committed automated resolutions (volume discounts available)	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.50
Pay-as-you-go automated resolutions	\$2	\$2	\$2	\$2

Source: Company website

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### Debate #4: How Will Agents be Priced?

#### Case Study: Combined Model - HubSpot (Breeze)

Two-tiered model combining traditional subscription with consumption-based credits

#### **Understanding the Philosophy**

 Given HubSpot's strategic approach to driving healthy and consistent adoption/utilization on new products (including Agents) before moving to direct monetization, the company initially rolled out Breeze Agents in Beta across all Platforms at September 2024's INBOUND Conference

#### **Direct Monetization Phase**

 HubSpot Credits: As of June 2025, HubSpot is rolling out HubSpot Credits, a pay-as-you-scale model that allows customers to pay for usage-based features. Credits are utilized when an action is performed that consumes them (ex, Service tickets resolved)

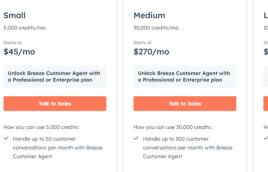
#### **Key Considerations**

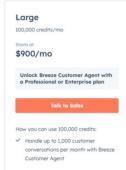
- How Many Credits are Allocated?\*
  - Free: N/A
  - Starter: N/A
  - · Pro: 3k credits/month
  - · Enterprise: 5k credits/month
- What Subscriptions/Seats are Eligible?
  - All Hubs (Marketing, Sales, Service, Operations, Content) across all tier levels (Starter, Pro, Enterprise)
  - Only Paid & Partner seats (not free/view-only users)
- How do Users Purchase Incremental Credits Above What is Allocated?
  - Small: 5k incremental credits/month, priced at \$45/month
  - Medium: 30k incremental credits/month, priced at \$270/month
  - Large: 100k incremental credits/month, priced at \$900/month

Highest level of HubSpot subscription	Included HubSpot Credits in subscription per month
Starter	500
Professional	3,000
Enterprise	5,000

#### Breeze Customer Agent

Your AI concierge for seamless, instant customer connections.





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## Part II

**How Did We Get Here?** 

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### What is an Al Agent?

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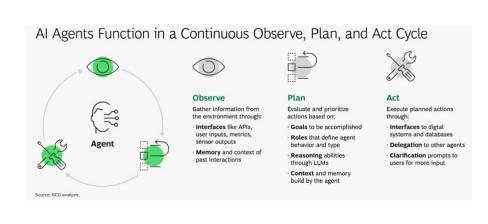
An Al Agent is a system (software program) that understands and interact with its environment (receive inputs), collect data, make decisions, executes tasks and meet specified goals without using pre-determined rules.

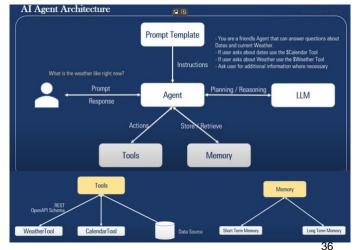
### Autonomous Al Agent

Autonomous AI Agents are systems that leverage large language models (LLMs) to plan and execute a task or process without a high degree of human interaction. These agents distinguish themselves from standard GenAI chatbots by combining tools (i.e., databases, websites, APIs, and even other agents) with memory of past interactions to chain multiple thoughts and actions together, enabling them to autonomously work toward defined objectives while drawing on both external information and learned experiences to produce relevant outputs.

#### Agentic Architecture

Agentic Architecture generally refers to the idea of bringing together multiple engines for understanding queries/requests, evaluating strategies for solving problems, accessing necessary data and executing the planned actions. Under this architecture, a large language model *(LLM) typically serves as a reasoning engine*, *connected to tools and memory*. *Tools* help connect the LLM to other sources of data or computation and can be used to take actions (run code, modify files, etc.). *Memory* (short or long term) helps the agent remember previous interactions with either humans, other agents, or tools.





Source: Company Data, Morgan Stanley Research, <a href="https://www.simform.com">www.simform.com</a>

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#### **Evolution Over Time**

#### Rule-Based Systems

The concept of "rule-based systems" in AI can be traced back to the 1970s, when the earliest "expert systems" were built on logical rules inspired by how experts in various fields (i.e., medicine, law) used their knowledge to make decisions.

The most famous example (MYCIN) developed at Stanford was designed to diagnose bacterial infections and recommend treatments based on a set of predefined rules.

#### Natural Language Processing

During the late 1980s, *natural language processing (NLP)* – a subdivision of AI which makes human language understandable to computers – experienced an evolutionary leap as a result of steady increase in computational power and the use of new machine learning algorithms – which focused primarily on statistical models as opposed to models like decision trees. During the 1990s, statistical models for NLP rose dramatically.

#### Intelligent Agents

In the early 1990s, AI research shifted its focus to "intelligent agents" – sometimes called agents or bots – which could be used for news retrieval services, online shopping, and web browsing. This era saw the rise of machine learning (data-driven approaches and neural networks) and emergence of intelligent agents designed to operate autonomously.

#### Machine Learning

In the 2000s, with the use of Big Data programs (i.e., Apache Hadoop, NoSQL databases) along with advances in machine learning and data mining to extract information from complex data sets, agents gradually evolved into *digital virtual assistants* and *chatbots*. These *digital virtual assistants* started as convenient sources of information about the weather, the latest news, and traffic reports. *Chatbots*, although similar to virtual digital assistants in many ways, could talk to real people and were often used for marketing, sales, and customer service.

#### Modern Al Agents

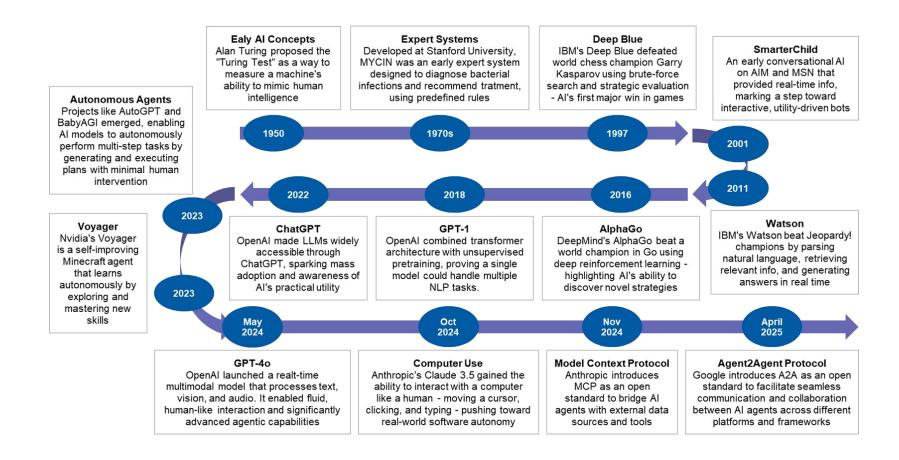
Advances in NLP, machine learning, decision-making capabilities and access to massive amounts of data have turned digital virtual assistants and chatbots into truly useful tools. *Current AI Agents* combine multiple approaches and capabilities, including 1) large language models (LLMs) providing natural language understanding and generation; 2) multi-modal processing allowing agents to work with text, images, audio, and other data types; 3) reasoning and planning capabilities through integration of LLMs and techniques like chain-of-thought prompting; 4) integration with external tools and APIs to perform tasks; and 5) use of shorter-term and long-term memory for continuity, self-reflection, and performance improvement over time.

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## **Key Milestones and Recent Breakthroughs**



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### **RPA vs AI Agents?**

Key Distinction Robotic Process Automation uses pre-defined rules to automate tasks that involve structured data. In contrast AI agents are able to automate tasks and processes using indeterministic, reasoning and context while showing the ability to adapt to change

Robotic Process Automation (RPA)

VS

Al Agents

RPA uses software robots or "bots" to automate repetitive, rule-based tasks by mimicking human interactions with digital systems. It operates based on predefined workflows and structured data.

- Decision Making: Follows pre-defined rules and decision trees
- Data Handling: Structured, predefined inputs
- Orchestration: Centralized control, follows fixed workflows
- Interaction: UI-based, mimics human clicks and keystrokes
- Fault Tolerance: Low; fails when encountering unexpected inputs
- Learning: No learning; runs static rules to execute routine tasks

Al Agents are autonomous systems that perceive their environment, analyze data, and take actions to achieve specific goals. They use machine learning, natural language processing, and reasoning to adapt, learn from experiences, and make decisions without explicit human intervention.

- Decision Making: Autonomous, undeterministic based on reasoning and context
- Data Handling: Structured and unstructured, dynamic inputs
- Orchestration: Decentralized, can self-organize and collaborate
- Interaction: Conversational, API-driven, and reasoningbased
- Fault Tolerance: High; can adjust to errors and uncertainties
- Learning: Continuous learning allows for reasoning, problem-solving and decision making

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## **Levels of Agentic Automation**

		Fixed Automation	Al Augmented Automation	Agentic Assistant	Plan and Reflect	Self Refinement	Autonomy
		Rule-Based Automation	Control Execution Path	Control Execution Path	Control Execution Path	Control Execution Path	Control Execution Path
Level 5	Full AGI (artificial general intelligence) – capable of independent reasoning, creativity, and solving novel problems beyond training. <i>Examples</i> include digital knowledge worker handling complex tasks with no oversight.	RPA Level 0	Level 1	Level 2  Determine Intent and Outcome	Adaptive Planning  Determine Intent and Outcome	Adaptive Planning Determine Intent and Outcome	Adaptive Planning  Determine Intent and Outcome
Level 4	While still theoretical today, they are technically feasible. Al Agents can self-improve, modify their instructions, create new tools, and adapt to evolving tasks. <i>Examples</i> include invoice reconciliation agent that autonomously adds vendors and improves accuracy.				Level 4  Update Instructions	Creativity  Update Instructions	
Level 3	Current Level – First level constrained autonomy. Al Agents can create, execute, and adapt plans based on feedback, handling complex tasks with multiple reasoning cycles. Examples include reconciling a 100-page invoice against internal systems with human-like reasoning. i.e., Agentforce						
Level 2	Task-specific AI assistant capable of using tools, interpret intent, execute actions like summarization or content generation, but follow static, short-term plans. <i>Examples</i> include AI co-pilots for search, summarization, and email drafting. <i>i.e., GitHub Copilot</i>						
Level 1	Basic Al-enhanced automation where LLMs assist in decision-making but within predefined steps. Limited benefits over traditional automation. <i>Examples</i> include routing customer support emails.						
Level 0	No Agentic behavior – pure rule-based automation. Tasks follow a fixed, deterministic process with no planning or execution control. <i>Examples</i> include Data entry and web scrapping. <i>i.e., RPA</i>						

Source: sema4.ai "The Five Levels of Agentic Automation"

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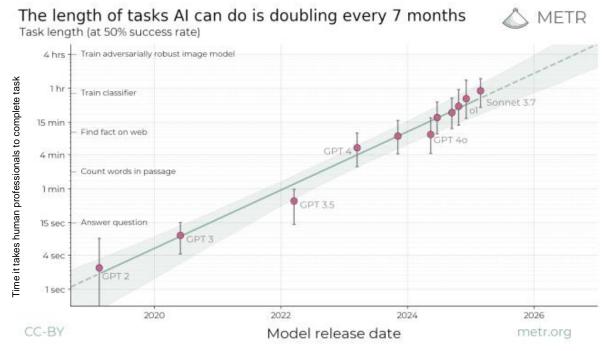
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## Al Agents Are Rapidly Improving the Ability to Complete Long Tasks

**Bottom Line** 

Length of tasks that generalist frontier model agents can complete autonomously has been doubling approximately every 7 months for the last 6 years.

In under a decade, AI Agents are expected to independently complete a large fraction of software tasks that currently take humans days or weeks



Source: METR "Measuring Al Ability to Complete Long Tasks" Note: Shaded region represents 95% confidence interval

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## **Part III**

**Organizing the Agent Landscape** 

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## System of Record (SoR) vs System of Engagement (SoE) Al Agents

SoR vs. SoE Ai Agents One framework for organizing the agent landscape is the distinction between System of Record style agents from System of Engagement style agents.

VS



**SoR Agent** 

Role: Functional

Automation Focus: Domain or Role Specific

Value Proposition: Labor Displacement

Quantification of ROI: More Direct - Automation of Role

Difficulty of Implementation: Hard - New Tech Leaning Curve

Market Opportunity:

Narrow - Defined by Role of
Domain

**...** 

**SoE Agent** 

**Supervisor** 

**Workflow / Process-Oriented** 

System Utilization

Indirect - Time Savings on Broader Workflows

Harder - New Tech Plus Broader Integrations

Broad - Defined by Scope of Workflows

Source: Morgan Stanley Research

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## System of Record (SoR) Agents – Role Specific Automation

## **SoR Agents**

System of Record style agents focus on automating functions related to specific domains such as coding, customer service, sales lead generation, business intelligence, etc. Examples include: GitHub Co-pilot, Workday, Salesforce Agentforce and HubSpot Prospecting agent

#### Agent Role

SoR agents take a functional role in terms of their automation objectives. This means that the agents operate within a particular business function or application-specific domain

## Agent Focus

Focus of SoR agents is on specific role(s) within a particular domain such as customer service agents, software developers, business analysts, research assistants, sales development representatives etc.

## Value Proposition

The value proposition for SoR agents centers on labor displacement or labor avoidance

## Quantifiable ROI?

With a value proposition often tied to labor displacement/avoidance, directly ascribing cost savings should be easier with SoR style agents

# Time to Market Impact

Given the ability to deliver hard, measurable ROI, the monetization timeline for SoR agents should be sooner and generally ahead of SoE agents

Source: Morgan Stanley Research

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## System of Engagement (SoE) Agents – Workflow / Process-Oriented Automation

## **SoE Agents**

Unlike System of Record agents, System of Engagement agents focus on managing and automating workflow that span across different systems and applications. Examples include: ServiceNow Now Assist, GitLab Workflows and Atlassian Rovo

#### Agent Role

SoE agents take on a more supervisory / managerial role in that they manage a workflow across multiple applications and functional systems

## Agent Focus

Compared to SoR agents that focus on automating particular roles within a given domain, SoE agents focus on automating workflows or an entire business process

## Value Proposition

The value proposition for SoE agents is about enabling better utilization of enterprise resources as well as better utilization of the software vendor's solution

## Quantifiable ROI?

With a value proposition more associated with utilization than labor displacement, measuring ROI is generally more difficult for SoE style agents than SoR agents

# Time to Market Impact

Given less quantifiable ROI, the monetization timeline for SoE agents should be later and generally after SoR style agents

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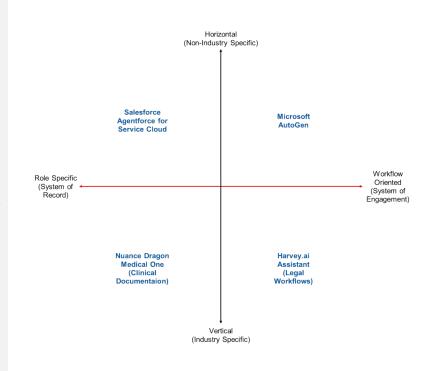
## **Organizing Across Two Vectors**

**Bottom Line** 

As investors look to understand the competitive landscape, we suggest organizing across two vectors, the first being Workflow versus Role Specific, inline with the industry discussion around 'Systems of Record' versus 'Systems of Engagement'.

#### System of Record vs. System of Engagement // Horizontal vs. Vertical

- System of Record agents take a functional role in terms of their automation objectives. This means that the agents operate within a particular business function or applicationspecific domain.
  - Examples include: GitHub Co-pilot, Workday, Salesforce Agentforce and HubSpot Prospecting agent
- System of Engagement agents take on a more supervisory / managerial role in that they manage a workflow across multiple applications and functional systems We expect an analogous dynamic within agents
  - Examples include: ServiceNow Now Assist, GitLab Workflows and Atlassian Rovo



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## **Organizing Across Two Vectors**

**Bottom Line** 

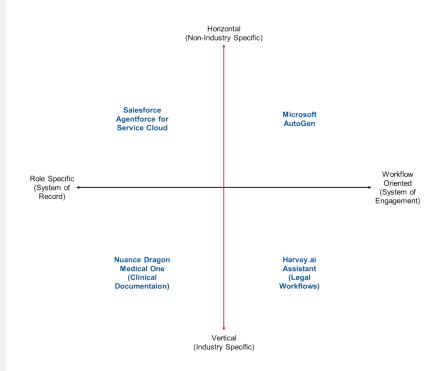
As investors look to understand the competitive landscape, we suggest organizing across two vectors, the second vector would be horizontal versus vertical oriented solutions

#### System of Record vs. Workflow Process // Horizontal vs. Vertical

- Vertical-oriented solutions look to automate process within one specific industry (i.e., Harvey.ai looks to automate legal workflows)
- Horizontal-oriented agents look to automate processes common across all industries (i.e., HR and software development).

These organizing principles likely presents *trade-offs* between time to market and overall size of the market opportunity.

- Well defined, role-specific solutions from a transactionoriented agent
  - Should be easier to get up and running
  - Specifically targets cost savings/revenue opportunity for clear ROI
  - Strong vertical orientation likely furthers both these benefits.
- Workflow-oriented agents, with more horizontal use case
  - · Target broader and bigger opportunities over time
  - Take more time to get built out and deployed.
- The Microsoft 365 Copilot solution (inc. agentic capabilities) targets the >400m current commercial Office users,
- The Agentforce solution for ServiceCloud serves 3 million Call Center representatives in the US (based on Bureau of Labor Statistics data) and perhaps 12-15 million globally.

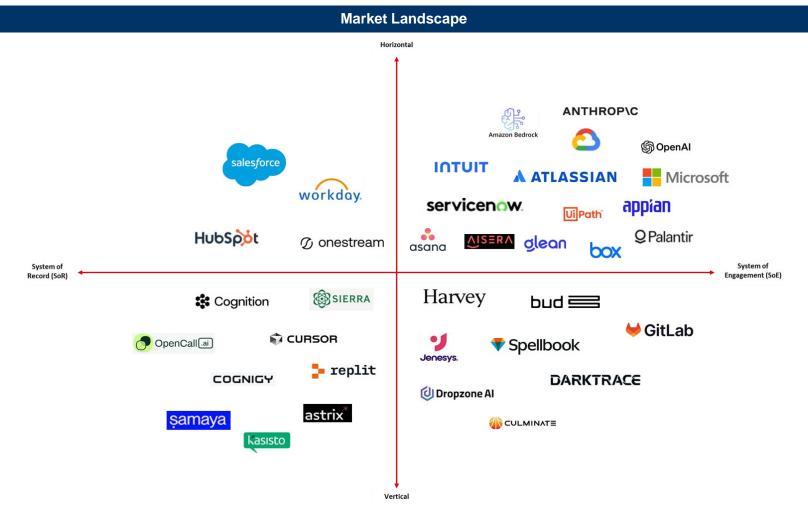


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## **Organizing Across Two Vectors**



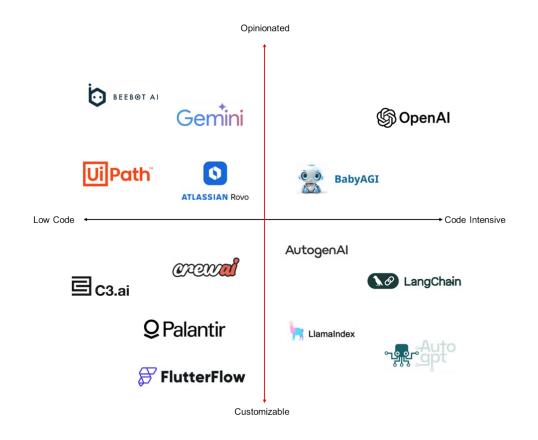
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## **Organizing Across Two Vectors**

#### **Market Landscape**



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### **Classifying Al Agents By Reasoning Paradigms**

Reasoning Paradigms

Another framework to organize Al Agents is by the different classes of reasoning paradigms they can employ. A few of the popular reasoning paradigms include: Chain of Thought, ReAct, Reflexion and Tree of Thought

#### **Chain of Thought (CoT)**



Prompts the agent to think in a linear, step by step by fashion by generating an internal reasoning chain before producing the final answer. Chain of Thought reasoning does not use any external tools

#### Reflexion



Extends ReAct style reasoning by adding two key elements: self-reflection and long-term memory. By adding these capabilities these agents can improve and learn over time with each successive run.

#### ReAct



This style of prompting brings together reasoning in the form of thoughts with actions. Unlike CoT, ReAct agents are able to interact with tools and its environment to generate an answer

#### Tree of Thought (ToT)



Unlike the linear reasoning employed by ReAct agents, Tree of Thought agents search through a tree of possible reasoning steps and evaluate each path before choosing the optimal one

Sources: 1) Shunyu Yao, Et al. "ReAct: Synergizing Reasoning and Acting in Language Models", 2) Sunyu Yao, Et al. "Tree of Thoughts: Deliberate Problem solving With Large Language Models; 3) Jason Wei, Et al. "Chain-of-Thought Elicits Reasoning in Large Language Models, 4) Noah Shinn, Et al. "Reflexion: Language Agents with verbal Reinforcement Learning"

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## **Chain of Thought Agents**



A type of Al agent that employes linear, step-by-step reasoning (thoughts) before producing an output

#### Logic Structure

Thought 1→ Thought 2 → Thought 3 → Final Answer

#### **Advantages**

Simple and easy and easy to implement and good for math, logic puzzles and general reasoning tasks

#### Limitations

Does not interact with its environment, cannot access tools and does not make any observations during reasoning

#### Standard Prompting **Chain-of-Thought Prompting** Q: Roger has 5 tennis balls. He buys 2 more cans of Q: Roger has 5 tennis balls. He buys 2 more cans of tennis balls. Each can has 3 tennis balls. How many tennis balls. Each can has 3 tennis balls. How many tennis balls does he have now? tennis balls does he have now? A: Roger started with 5 balls. 2 cans of 3 tennis balls A: The answer is 11. each is 6 tennis balls. 5 + 6 = 11. The answer is 11. Q: The cafeteria had 23 apples. If they used 20 to make lunch and bought 6 more, how many apples Q: The cafeteria had 23 apples. If they used 20 to do they have? make lunch and bought 6 more, how many apples do they have? **Model Output** A: The cafeteria had 23 apples originally. They used A: The answer is 27. 20 to make lunch. So they had 23 - 20 = 3. They bought 6 more apples, so they have 3 + 6 = 9. The answer is 9. <



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### **Tree of Thought Agents**

What are ToT Agents?

All agents that decompose tasks into a hierarchical structure of potential actions or routes, enabling the agent to assess possible solutions and enhance decision-making by discarding less viable paths at each stage before reaching the ultimate solution.

Logic Structure

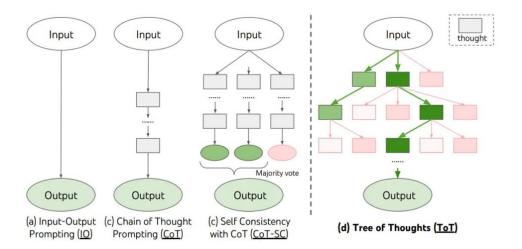
Agent generates multiple solution paths  $\rightarrow$  Forms decision tree  $\rightarrow$  Evaluates paths  $\rightarrow$  Selects the Optimal Path at each step

**Advantages** 

Allows for planning and a structured evaluation of different potential solutions while eliminating unpromising solutions at each step. Useful in tasks that require complex decision making and deliberate planning

Limitations

Do not interact with the environment, complex to implement, require capable evaluators and is computationally expensive



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#### **ReAct Agents**

What are React Agents?

All agents that integrate reasoning with action are defined by their capacity to engage with the environment through tools, their capability to make observations, and their ability to further reason based on those observations.

Logic Structure

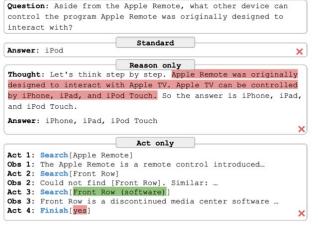
Thought → Take an Action → Observe → Repeat

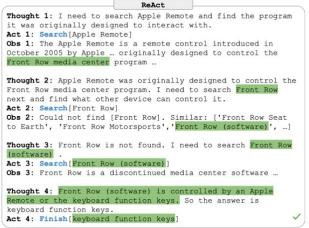
**Advantages** 

Can interact with the environment and access various tools, adapts based on feedback and good at use cases involving interactive tasks such as coding, Q&A augmented by retrieval

Limitations

Does not have persistent memory across interactions and does not learn from past experience





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#### **Reflexion Agents**

What are Reflexion Agents?

Al agents that resemble ReAct agents but incorporate self-reflection and long-term memory. Following each trial, the agent evaluates its successes and failures, retains feedback, and applies this knowledge to enhance future performance.

Logic Structure

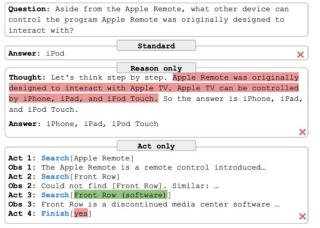
(Thought → Act → Observe) → (Self-reflect → Update Long-term Memory) → Future Trial

**Advantages** 

Can interact with the environment and access various tools, adapts based on feedback and good at use cases involving interactive tasks such as coding, Q&A augmented by retrieval

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Thought 1: I need to search Apple Remote and find the program
it was originally designed to interact with.
Act 1: Search[Apple Remote]
Obs 1: The Apple Remote is a remote control introduced in
October 2005 by Apple ... originally designed to control the
Front Row media center program ...
Thought 2: Apple Remote was originally designed to control the
Front Row media center program. I need to search Front Row
next and find what other device can control it.
Act 2: Search[Front Row]
Obs 2: Could not find [Front Row]. Similar: ['Front Row Seat
to Earth', 'Front Row Motorsports', 'Front Row (software)', ...]
Thought 3: Front Row is not found. I need to search Front Row
Act 3: Search[Front Row (software)]
Obs 3: Front Row is a discontinued media center software ...
Thought 4: Front Row (software) is controlled by an Apple
Remote or the keyboard function keys. So the answer is
keyboard function keys.
Act 4: Finish[keyboard function keys]
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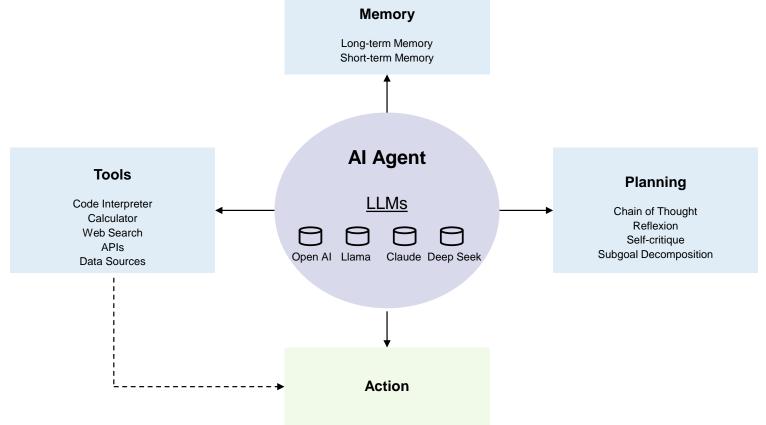
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## **The Emerging AI Agent OS**



The emerging AI Agent OS consists of a few core components: 1) the LLM, 2) Tools, 3) Access to Memory and 4) the ability to plan



Source: Lilian Weng's Lil'Log (https://lilianweng.github.io/)

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## **Breaking Down the Agent OS**

## The Four Core Components Of Agent OS

## Foundational Models

Every agent is powered by an AI or Large Language Model to take instructions, call tools, apply reasoning, execute tasks, structure response and deliver outputs

#### Tools

Define the set of actions an AI agent can take and can include code interpreters, calculators, calendars, web search, enterprise search, public/private APIs and databases/data sources

## Memory

Refers to the process used to acquire and store and retrieve information. There are two major categories of memory: 1) short-term and 2) long-term. Short-term memory (aka working memory) is enabled by approaches such as retrieval augmented generation (RAG) to provide the agent necessary information and context to execute the task at hand. Long-term memory refers to the ability of the Agent to recall information over extended episodes usually by leveraging a vector/operational data store

#### **Planning**

Refers to the ability of the agent to decompose the problem into subgoals to enable efficient execution of tasks. Furthermore, planning includes the ability to reflect and refine behavior through self-criticism, self-reflection and learning from mistakes

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### **Multi-agent Frameworks**



Multi-agent AI frameworks is software that simplifies the process of building systems by providing high levels of abstraction including ready-made components to handle tasks such as orchestration, memory management, tool usage and reasoning

## **Agent Frameworks Showing Significant Signs of Market Traction Today**



A python-based, open source multiagent framework that is designed to orchestrate agents in a collaborative environment. Agents are defined by their roles and collaborate intelligently to achieve common objectives



Created by LangChain, LangGraph is an open source framework that allows developers to build complex agentic applications using a graph-based architecture to model and manage the relationships involved in an AI workflow



An open source programming framework developed by Microsoft, Autogen allows developers to build agents and enables agents to work together to accomplish tasks by replicating the structure of human teams and organizations

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### **Agent Protocols**

What are Agent Protocols?

Protocols enable uniform standards for Al models as well as agents to connect to external services and for fostering agent to agent communication and collaboration

## **Leading Agent Protocols**

**MCP** 

A2A

**ACP** 

Developed by Anthropic, Model Context Protocol is a protocol that provides a standard interface for LLMs to connect to external tools, services and data such as databases, APIs and files. With MCP, developers can forego custom and repetitive logic to connect each LLM to external services.

The Agent-to-Agent protocol is a cloudbased standard developed by Google that enables AI agents to communicate with each other across different systems. This allows agents from different vendors to collaborate and coordinate action to execute a given workflow An open agent orchestration standard developed by IBM & BeeAI, Agent Communication Protocol enables structured communication, discovery and coordination between AI agents. ACP differs from A2A in that it focuses on local runtime environment as opposed to being cloud-based

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## **Comparing and Contrasting The Major Agent Protocols**

	Model Context Protocol (MCP)	Agent Communication Protocol (ACP)	Agent-to-Agent Protocol (A2A)
Developed by	Anthropic	IBM & BeeAl	Google
Primary focus	Enabling LLMs to get real-time context by creating a standard interface to tools, data & APIs	Enabling local communication, coordination and orchestration between agents	Enabling cross-platform agent communication, collaboration and orchestration
Architecture	Client-server (host/server model)	Decentralized, local runtime	HTTP-based client/server with Agent Cards
Scope	Vertical integration: connection to tools/services to AI models	Agents running locally (say on a desktop or single server)	Horizontal integration: agent- to-agent communication & coordination
Ecosystem Support	Wide acceptance across the ecosystem including Microsoft, Open AI, Google, AWS, Cloudflare, Paypal, MongoDB, Atlassian and Glean	Linux foundation, BeeAl and IBM Research	Over 50 companies have announced support including Altassian, Salesforce, SAP, MongoDB, LangCahin, Elastic, Datadog and Confluent
Security Model	App-layer auth, OAuth2, scoped APIs	Runtime sandboxing, private network security	OAuth2, scoped endpoint exposure
Best for	LLM apps with external data/tool needs	Edge AI, embedded systems, offline agents	Multi-agent workflows across platforms in the cloud
Use Case	Connecting an LLM to internal APIs	On-device coordination of multiple small agents	Distributed enterprise agents collaborating

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### MCP: Unlocking a New Wave of Agentic Application Development

What's the Problem?

For Al agents to be effective, they need to take action in real-time. This means getting relevant context, connecting to data and accessing a suite of tools. Prior to MCP, developers would have to build custom integrations to connect to the necessary tools and services for each LLM they were running

Solution

MCP provides a universal standard for LLMs to connect apps, data and services without the need for coding

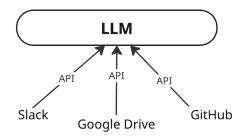
An Analogy

Just as personal computers utilize USB as a standard way to connect to a host of services (storage, chargers, headphones, monitors), AI models use the MCP protocol as a standard way to extend their knowledge and capabilities

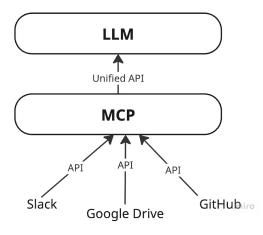
**Implication** 

The emergence of MCP makes it easier to build AI agents that are useful and capable in real world environments helping to usher in new a wave of agentic applications

#### **Before MCP**



## **After MCP**



Source: Data Science Collective (https://medium.com/data-science-collective)

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## **Part IV**

**Market Landscape** 

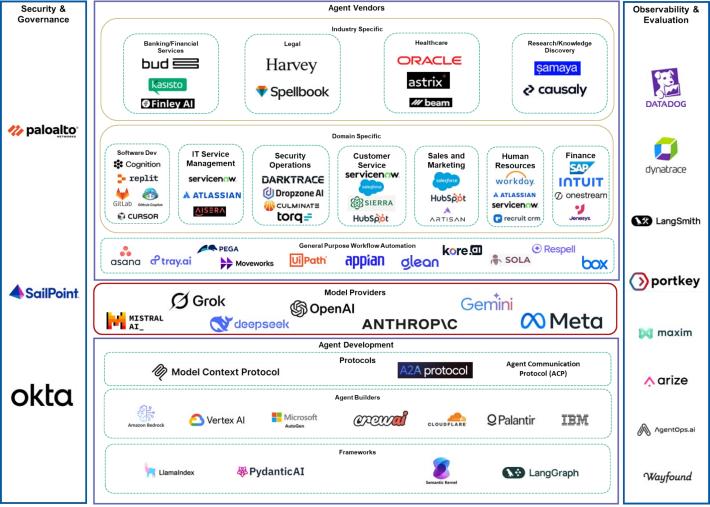
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## **Current Market Landscape**



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#### **Most Useful Domains**



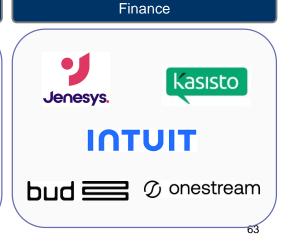


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**Company Spotlights** 

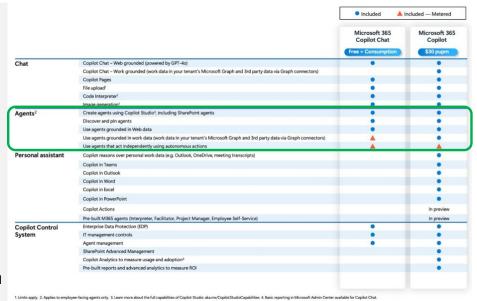
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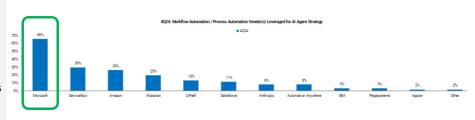
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# **Hyperscalers - Microsoft**

### **Microsoft Agents**

- In March 2023, Microsoft announced Microsoft 365 Copilot building the foundation for its agents, which plug into existing business applications, security tools, and data management.
- Autonomous agents focused on key business functions (sales, customer support, security, etc.) entered a paid preview program on February 1, 2025, and pricing is based on the complexity of responses and actions generated
- Microsoft's agents are priced based on consumption, which is tiered by the 'level of autonomy'
  - E.g. A hypothetical agent might answer questions from customers on a website. Yesterday, it consumed 500 classic answers and 2,000 generative answers. Therefore, it would cost 4,500 messages, equivalent to \$45 for that day.
  - A hypothetical agent in Copilot Chat uses data stored in Microsoft Graph to answer employee questions about HR policies. Yesterday, the agent consumed 200 generative answers and 200 tenant Graph grounding for messages. Therefore, it would cost 6,400 messages or \$64 for that day.
  - A hypothetical autonomous agent responds to and routes inbound sales orders from customers. Yesterday, it consumed 100 generative answers, 100 tenant Graph grounding for messages, and 800 autonomous actions. Therefore, it would cost 23,200 messages or \$232 for that day.
- The consumption will be charged back to customers as MACC credits (Microsoft Azure Consumption Commitment).
- Microsoft benefits from its comprehensive AI portfolio and its breadth of Agent specific offerings, including: GitHub Copilot's asynchronous coding agent; Azure AI Foundry Agent Service for orchestrating multiple specialized agents, Microsoft 365 Copilot Studio / Agent Build, Agents for Microsoft Teams, M365 Agents toolkit for Visual Studio, M365 Agents SDK, Data Agents in Microsoft Fabric, SRE agents (among others)





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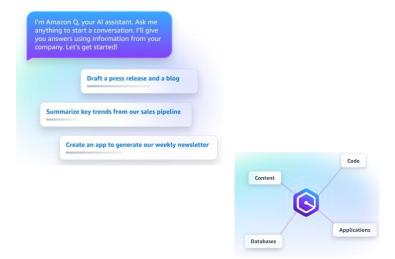
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# **Hyperscalers – Amazon**

### Amazon Q

- An all-in one Al assistant, AMZN's Q spans across the business, integrating with a user's AWS account, business intelligence tools, contact center and business apps. Q spans across 40 popular data sources including S3, Salesforce, Google Drive, Gmail, Microsoft 365 and others. After connecting these data sources, Q indexes all the information, understanding core concepts and organizational idiosyncrasies, allowing Q to provide comprehensive and personalized answers specific to each user.
  - Agentic Capabilities: Q's agentic capabilities also extend into AWS services like Connect and QuickSight, enabling services like real-time agent assist for contact centers or creation of executive summaries of key business data for analysts. In 1Q25 Q launched a new agentic coding experience that can execute complex workloads autonomously.
  - Pricing: \$20 and \$25 a month, respectively, for the business and builder tiers.
- Amazon Q Business: Users can leverage their company's content, data and systems by using Q to perform a series of tasks including; search across company systems and data, app creation to accelerate automation, actions in other applications (Jira, Salesoforce, PagerDuty, etc.).
- Amazon Q Developer: Users can leverage Q developer for building, operating and transforming software, helping developers with coding, testing, deploying, trouble shooting and optimizing AWS resources.
   AMZN has seen up to 40% improvement in developer productivity for those who adopt Q Developer.
- AMZN developed Nova Act, a new AI model trained to perform actions within a web browser that allows developers to break down complex workflows into reliable atomic commands.





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# **Hyperscalers – Google**

### Gemini

- GOOGL's Gemini LLM is deeply integrated into a variety of enterprise offerings, including Vertex AI, Google Workspace, Agentspace, and Gemini Code Assist
- Key Capabilities:
  - Vertex Al Agent Builder
    - Easier Agent Creation: Enterprises can use an agent development kit (ADK) to build conversational or taskspecific agents with no-code/low-code prompts that can connect to their data, API, and workflows securely
    - Agent2Agent (A2A) Protocol: Universal communication standard that allows agents across different ecosystems to communicate with each other, allowing business agents to work together across different tasks
  - Gemini for Google Workspace
    - Integration Across Drive: Gemini can link to an enterprise's Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, etc. and can generate text, charts, emails, meeting notes etc.
  - Agentspace
    - Centralized Hub for Agents: Integrates with an enterprise's database and acts as a one-stop shop for employees to search across enterprise data, use/create agents, and generate video/image/text/code
  - Gemini Code Assist
    - Al Coding Assistant: Code generation, completion, debugging that can integrate with enterprise databases
- Vertex AI Agent Builder and Gemini Code Assist are available currently through Google Cloud; Gemini for Google Workspace is available in Google Workspace Business and Enterprise plans, and Agentspace is currently only available to select customers



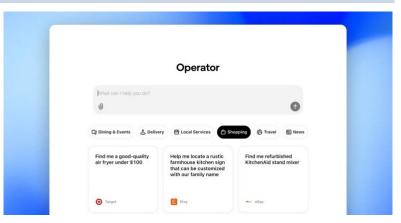


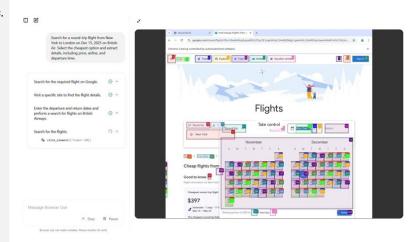
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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Model Providers – OpenAl

### Operator

- Launched in January 2025 as a research preview, Operator is an AI Agent that combines advanced vision capabilities with browser automation to perform web-based tasks independently.
- Operator is powered by a new model called Computer-Using Agent (CUA), which combines 1) GPT-4o's multimodal vision for analyzing webpage screenshots, 2) reinforcement learning for decision-making, and 3) virtual input simulation (mouse clicks, keyboard typing, scrolling).
- Operator interacts directly with graphical user interfaces (GUIs), mimicking human browsing behavior, instead of using APIs. This allows it to work across websites without requiring custom integrations.
- Key Capabilities:
  - Task Automation: Handles repetitive web activities with 38% success rate on OSWorld benchmarks (vs 72% human baseline). Examples include grocery ordering, flight booking, etc.
  - Workflow Personalization: Users can 1) save recurring task sequences (i.e., weekly grocery orders), 2) set site-specific preferences (i.e., airline seat selection), 3) run multiple concurrent tasks through separate browser sessions.
  - Security Protocols: Auto-switches to manual mode for logins/payments, blocks screenshots during sensitive interactions, and requires user confirmation before finalizing orders/transactions.
- Currently available only to U.S.-based ChatGPT Pro subscribers, which are paying \$200/month.
- Token Pricing: GPT-4o charges \$2.5/1M input tokens and \$10/1M output tokens.





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# 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Model Providers – Anthropic

### **Computer Use**

- Launched in October 2024 as a public beta, Computer Use is an agentic system that enables Claude 3.5 Sonnet models to interact with graphical user interfaces (GUIs) using mouse movements, keyboard inputs, and screen analysis – mimicking human-computer interactions.
- The agent combines vision-language models for screen interpretation with reinforcement learning for decision-making, allowing it to navigate software interfaces without API integration.
- Key Capabilities
  - Task Automation and Workflow Execution: The agent autonomously executes multi-step digital tasks, including 1) web browsing, 2) application management, content creation, and administrative workflows.
    - Unlike traditional RPA, it adapts to unstructured interfaces and dynamic workflows without predefined scripts.
  - Technical Implementation: The system works through a fourstage loop, including 1) prompt analysis to interpret user instructions, 2) chooses between integrated capabilities/tools like terminals, text editors, or browser controls, 3) performs tasks within a sandboxed Docker container or VM, taking screenshots to verify outcomes, and 4) repeats steps until task completion or a 10-iteration limit.
- Token Pricing: Claude 3.7 and 3.5 Sonnet charge \$3/1M input tokens and \$15/1M output tokens.

### **Pricing**

As a subset of tool use requests, computer use requests are priced the same as any other Claude API request.

We also automatically include a special system prompt for the model, which enables computer use

Model	Tool choice	System prompt token count
Claude 3.5 Sonnet (new)	auto	466 tokens
	any , tool	499 tokens
Claude 3.7 Sonnet	auto	466 tokens
	any , tool	499 tokens

In addition to the base tokens, the following additional input tokens are needed for the Anthropic-defined tools:

Tool	Additional input tokens
computer_20241022 (Claude 3.5 Sonnet)	683 tokens
computer_20250124 (Claude 3.7 Sonnet)	735 tokens
text_editor_20241022 (Claude 3.5 Sonnet)	700 tokens
text_editor_20250124 (Claude 3.7 Sonnet)	700 tokens
bash_20241022 (Claude 3.5 Sonnet)	245 tokens
bash_20250124 (Claude 3.7 Sonnet)	245 tokens

If you enable thinking with Claude 3.7 Sonnet, the tokens used for thinking will be counted against your <code>max\_tokens</code> budget based on the <code>budget\_tokens</code> you specify in the thinking parameter.

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# SaaS Vendors – Atlassian Corp (TEAM)

### Rovo

- First introduced in April 2024 and launched to GA in October 2024, Rovo is Atlassian's first Al-powered SKU designed as an enterprise search platform and virtual teammates (Agents) that can be called on or created by any team member to collaborate and automate tasks.
- Rovo operates across three fundamental dimensions: Find (Rovo Search), Learn (Rovo Chat), and Act (Rovo Agents).
  - Rovo Search: Get relevant information from your Atlassian tools (Cloud and Data Center), 3rd party SaaS applications, and custom data sources. Use pre-built connectors that seamlessly integrate with Jira, Confluence, Loom, and Bitbucket, along with essential platforms like Google Drive, Microsoft SharePoint, Figma, Slack, Microsoft Teams, and GitHub.
  - Rovo Chat: With deep understanding of your organization, Rovo offers personalized answers and provides expert advice. Answers questions about your team, projects, and company.
  - Rovo Agents: Out-of-the-Box Agents can easily step into tasks like writing release notes, translating content into multiple languages, grooming your backlog and more. Build Custom Agents with no-code/low-code or the Forge development platform. Also explore a diverse range of Agents created by 3<sup>rd</sup> party partners on the Atlassian Marketplace.
    - Rovo for GitHub Copilot provides instant code suggestions tailored to a team's design rules, Jira tasks, and more all within the IDE.
- Rovo's truly "Agentic" nature is evident by its ability to execute complex tasks autonomously by leveraging AI models while integrating seamlessly into existing workflows. Its purpose-built agents can perform tasks with minimal human intervention, while learning and adapting in real-time.

Jira Theme Analyzer **Issue Organizer Comms Crafter Ops Guide** Build innovative products, Speed up Jira backlog Write clear and engaging Amp up your incident faster. Analyzes and groups management. Auto-groups management. Helps your content. Creates and revises team efficiently handle on-call Jira issues into theme: work into epics, creates new content that perfectly aligns reducing what used to take issues from Confluence, and with your company's brand tasks and swiftly detect, hours to seconds. prioritizes high-value tasks. voice and tone. respond to, and resolve incidents. **Product Global Translator Release Notes Service Request** Requirements Guide Reach new audiences. Drafter Helper Craft the perfect PRD. Offers Translates all your content Create release notes in a snap. Power through support tickets. into multiple languages to handy templates, expert tips, Quickly generates release Speeds up issue resolution by reach new users and and best practices for writing notes from multiple Jira summarizing problems geographies in less time. concise documents. issues, saving time and effort. identifying support teammates, and assigning Learn more →

**Out-of-the-box Agents** 

### **Pricing**

- Initially introduced with a \$20/user/month price tag
- Now access is free for Premium and Enterprise customers,
  - Coming to Standard soon.
  - \$5/month for non-Atlassian users
  - Consumption limit in place to control costs, with overconsumption triggering a bill – though not punitive
- Also included as part of new Teamwork Collection bundle along with Jira. Confluence, and Loom

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# SaaS Vendors - ServiceNow, Inc (NOW)

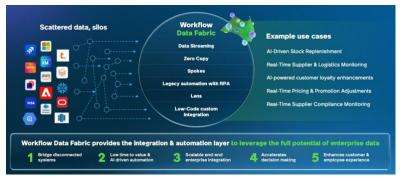
### Pro Plus - Al Agents

- ServiceNow announced the general availability of its Yokohama release in early March, introducing AI Agent Studio, Workflow Data Fabric, and providing customers with teams of preconfigured AI agents, enabling users to automate workflows and improve productivity levels
- The company offers its solutions in three packages: 1) Standard, 2) Pro, and 3) Pro Plus, with access to Al Agents being offered within the Pro Plus package. The Pro Plus offering provides customers with an initial set of agentic capacity with potential to purchase / add further capacity should organizations exceed initial usage levels
- Al Agent Studio: Provides users the ability to efficiently design custom Al agents that integrate into their existing enterprise-wide workflows and data. The solution leverages a no-code languagebased interface, enabling customers to build a team of Al agents
  - · Examples of pre-configured AI agents include:
    - Security Operations Expert
    - Autonomous Change Management
    - · Proactive Network Test and Repair
    - Operational Technology Knowledge Generation
    - · ITSM Incident Categorization
    - Post-Incident Review Generation
- Workflow Data Fabric: A core element of ServiceNow's Agentic
  offering as it's powered by the company's automation engine and
  serves as an integrated data layer that unifies enterprise data to
  more efficiently process workflows and power AI agents with realtime, secure access to data from a variety of sources
- Agentic AI is "The New Frontier" and ServiceNow is at the Core as its preconfigured AI agents address a broad set of complex workflows while its data connectivity (via Workflow Data Fabric) provides unique differentiation vs peers as it provides AI agents incrementally more data to leverage thereby making them more impactful across enterprise employee workflows over time

# Agentic Pricing Not Specified, Though Management Commentary Suggests a Value-Based Metering System

	Agentic Commentary				
Investor Day	"We have well over a 1,000 customers using our AI platform in Agentic AI. Well over 250 million in ACV. It's aid, the fastest growing product family in the history of ServiceNow, and it will continue to be that. And as Amits at K's a hybrid pricing model. And what that means is, when we delivered Pro Plus on day one, there was a seatbased license like we've always had, but there was also a consumption based that we built into that licensing model. And that's super important as we move forward."				
1Q25 Transcript	"Q1 was another substantial acceleration for ServiceNow Al. The number of Pro Plus deals more than quadrupled year-over-year, including 39 deals with three or more Now Assist products. Average ACV deal sizes grew by one-third quarter-over-quarter as Pro Plus products were included in 15 of our top 20 deals."				
Morgan Stanley TMT Conference	"The more you use it and the more it accommodates interactions with multiple systems across your business or your network, the more we will make on the consumption-based pricing model."				
4Q24 Transcript	"As the agents become increasingly productive, they will drive the consumption pricing meter. And that, of course, will be in addition to the seat-based licensing foundation. You'll get both."  "If they (customers) go beyond the capacity and the Assist, which is the metered capacity, if they go beyond that, they're still buying Assist packs. So its not like one assist per time in terms of consumption."				

### Workflow Data Fabric Serves as a Key Piece of ServiceNow's Agentic Architecture



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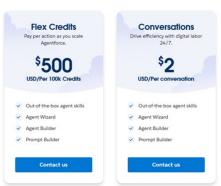
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# SaaS Vendors – Salesforce (CRM)

### Agentforce

- Agentforce (General Availability in October 2024) is a suite of autonomous, out-of-the-box agents, allowing customers to automate administrative tasks while reorienting employee bandwidth to higher priority work.
  - Service agents: automatically help a customer troubleshoot an issue with personalized, branded advice based on their purchase history and company knowledge documents
  - SDR agents: send a personalized introductory email to a lead, respond to a question on pricing, and access an account executive's calendar to schedule a follow-up call
  - Marketing agents: generate campaigns, briefs, audience segments, and emails based on your company's goals
  - Ecommerce agents: manage websites and generate personalized promotions
- The latest version, Agentforce 2dx (announced March 2025) expands beyond reactive chat interfaces to enable proactive AI agents that work behind the scenes without constant human oversight, with capabilities including multimodal experiences and embedded AI in any workflow.
   AgentExchange, a trusted marketplace and community where partners can build and monetize agentic AI, will accelerate the deployment of AI agents.
- Strong Early Customer Traction: As of F1Q26, Salesforce signed >4,000 paid Agentforce deals, up from ~3k the previous quarter, with Agentforce now crossing a \$100M ARR run rate since going GA.
- Pricing: After initially being rolled out at a fixed price of \$2 per call,
   Salesforce recently added 'Flex Credits" to the Agentforce pricing model, a
   consumption-based model that ensures customers only pay for the actions
   Agentforce performs. Credits are available for purchase in packs of 100k
   at a \$500 price point— each action consumes 20 credits (or \$0.10). The
   pay per action model better connects price to value and allows customers
   to scale usage of Agentforce into additional workflows (beyond call
   centers) at a more favorable price.
- The combination of broad application functionality, deep data sets to power the AI models and an Agentic Computing architecture to take action frames CRM's strong positioning for GenAI.

### **Pricing**



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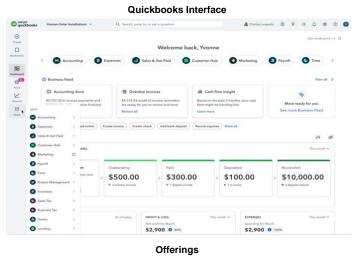
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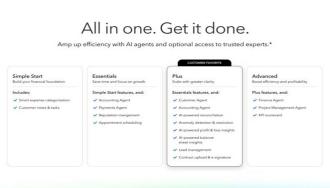
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# SaaS Vendors - Intuit (INTU)

### **Intuit Al Agents**

- During Intuit's 3Q FY25 Earnings call, CEO Sasan Goodarzi introduced their new suite of specialized AI Agents, focusing on automating tasks such as invoicing, payment tracking, transaction reconciliation, and project management. These agents are designed to act proactively, offering insights and executing tasks on behalf of users, streamlining operations for SMBs.
- Why is Intuit a Wildcard? Given small businesses propensity to buy bundled solutions, we like Intuit's opportunity to upsell agentic capabilities into their broad install base (10M+ small and mid-market businesses as of Jan '25). That said, given the solution is still not generally available, and we have not seen it in the marketplace (pricing dynamic still unknown), we keep intuit in the wildcard bucket of our Agentic Winners Framework.
  - Accounting Agent: keeps books clean and accurate by automatically categorizing transactions, detecting and resolving anomalies, and reconciling accounts—flagging what needs approval or attention.
  - Payments Agent: helps facilitate faster payments, and bills paid on time by monitoring cash flow and optimizing invoicing and payment collection.
  - Finance Agent: analyzes financial data and automatically creates forecasts, highlights variances, and pinpoints the source to help you stay on track to your goals.
  - Customer Agent: your clients can source leads from their inbox, draft personalized email responses, and track every customer opportunity in the sales cycle.
- Our Thoughts on Pricing:
  - Pricing for Value: Intuit estimates SMBs value their time at about \$75 per hour
  - Add-on module pricing: plan to introduce AI capabilities as addon modules in the coming months







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# SaaS Vendors - Adobe (ADBE)

### Adobe Experience Platform Agent Orchestrator & Purpose-built Agents

- At the 2025 Summit conference, Adobe unveiled the Adobe Experience Platform Agent Orchestrator, which enables businesses to build, manage, and orchestrate AI agents from Adobe and third-party ecosystems.
- Adobe released 10 purpose-built agents with a deep understanding of customer data and ability to support multiagent collaboration and adaptive reasoning. These agents include: Account Qualification Agent, Audience Agent, Content Production Agent\*, Data Insights Agent, Data Engineering Agent, Experimentation Agent, Journey Agent, Product Advisor Agent, Site Optimization Agent\*, Workflow Optimization Agent\*
- · Extended collaboration with Microsoft.
  - Adobe Express Agent for Microsoft 365 Copilot enables users to create high-quality images directly within Copilot, PowerPoint and Word.
  - Adobe Marketing Agent for Microsoft Copilot 365
     empowers marketers to refine audience targeting, extract
     actionable insights and improve cross-team collaboration.
- Brand Concierge: An agentic app that draws on a company's unique brand attributes and customer data to enhance brand loyalty by engaging customers through multimodal interactions across text, voice, and images.
- Pricing: The company has not disclosed specific pricing for these agents. Their statements around general pricing strategy for AI SKUs at the Summit in March 2025 suggest they will likely follow their established pattern of tiered, value-based pricing approaches for these new AI capabilities.
- Adobe is capitalizing on its domain expertise across content, data and workflows to drive competitive advantage with GenAl. While monetization takes time, the product road-map and positive partner conversations provide comfort on Adobe's competitive moat.

\*Included as part of the GenStudio.

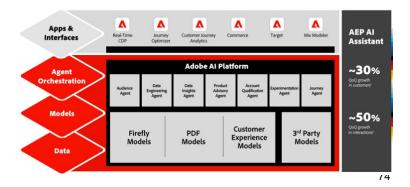
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# More than \$3.5B Al-Influenced Revenue Adobe's Al monetization



### Al Agents incorporated to the AEP

### Adobe AI Platform powers AEP & Apps



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# SaaS Vendors - Workday (WDAY)

### Illuminate

- At Workday's Rising conference in September 2024, Workday introduced Illuminate, which is their platform of Al products and models built on Workday's HR and finance datasets. Illuminate is focused on three key areas: 1) Accelerating tasks with GenAl, 2) Assisting users with Copilots like Workday Assistant, and 3) Transforming business processes through role-based agents.
- Workday has rolled out multiple role-based agents so far:
  - Recruiting Agent: Provides Al-powered talent sourcing and screening capabilities, boosting recruiting solution selling price by 150%
  - Expenses Agent: Provides users with flexible ways to submit and approve expenses, while giving leaders the ability to set controls and analyze spend
  - Succession Agent: Assists HR teams with succession planning by identifying and developing potential candidates for key positions within the organization
  - Contracts Agent: Continuously analyzes contracts across the enterprise, surfaces obligations and opportunities buried in unstructured data, and drives business actions to capture value and mitigate risk
  - Payroll Agent: Identifies and updates invalid payroll data, automates audit workflows, surfaces insights, recommends fixes, monitors compliance, and delivers system updates
  - Financial Auditing Agent: Increases efficiency during audits by connecting complex business documents to monitor transactions, reconcile balances, and review internal controls, allowing audit firms to develop apps that connect directly to their Workday customers
- Underlying these role-based agents is Workday's Agent System of Record, a centralized platform to manage an organization's entire fleet of AI agents (both from Workday and third parties). This system helps organizations maintain control, governance, and visibility while leveraging AI agents.

"We monetize it through one of three ways. Number one, our agents, whether it's our Recruiter Agent or — we have a new agent that we've announced that's really an internal mobility agent for employees to start to think about how they move around. We have the succession agent, we have a whole bunch of agents. We announced the policy agent. We announced a financial audit agent. So we're going to build our own agents. And that's a way for us to monetize the Workday platform.

At the same time as others out there start to build agents, we've developed something as part of the Agent System of Record an agent gateway. So when people want to get access and onboard into the enterprise, a new digital agent or digital employee, we're going to monetize this new gateway as people come through and get access to our platform. So it's another way for us to monetize it.

And then the third way we're monetizing it is into an agent or the agent gateway. But it's our products that include Al. An example is Extend Pro. Another example would be what we're doing with something like talent optimization, which is a SKU, it's not an agent, but it's 100% driven or through something like Evisort, which is a CLM solution that a 100% Al driven as well. So we have many different ways to monetize Al going forward and we think we're uniquely positioned."

- Carl Eschenbach, CEO, at Morgan Stanley TMT Conference, March 2025



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# SaaS Vendors - HubSpot (HUBS)

### Breeze

- HubSpot introduced their Breeze platform, which delivers AI functionality to customer-facing teams to boost productivity, scale growth, and unlock actionable insights, in September at 2024's INBOUND Conference.
- HubSpot currently has four Breeze Agents rolled out in the market, all still in Beta aside from Customer Agent (went GA with credit-based pricing, for Pro and Enterprise tiers as of June 2<sup>nd</sup>), acting as Al-powered experts designed to automate workflows from planning through to execution:
  - Content Agent: Utilizes CRM data to streamline content creation for engaging and differentiated marketing campaigns. It helps marketers quickly produce different types of content that attract visitors and generate leads and drive conversion, including high-quality landing pages, podcasts, case studies, and blogs.
  - Social Media Agent: Al-powered expert that enhances your social media strategy, analyzing your social performance, company details, and marketing best practices to develop a tailored, multi-channel content strategy that amplifies your social presence.
  - Prospecting Agent: The 'always on' agent drives pipeline generation 24/7 by researching and executing personalized outreach strategies for ideal prospects within HubSpot's Smart CRM.
  - Customer Agent: Engages with customers on websites in full conversation and at any time to provide instant answers—the agent utilizes customer-specific knowledge base articles, URLs, help sites, and blogs to deliver accurate and personalized responses to common customer issues.
- HubSpot is well positioned to address the agent opportunity given: 1)
   deep data sets combining rich structured and unstructured data; 2) a
   unified platform approach that provides context across data,
   engagement (hubs), and action (Al-powered execution); and 3) a vibrant
   agent ecosystem developed through the company's Agent.ai network

CRM record summaries

Company research

Image generation

Call analysis

Content Creation (emoli, landing pages, blogs, etc)

Browser extension

Mobile app

Call analysis

Social Agent

Content Agent

Al Powers the HubSpot Customer Platform

### **Pricing**

After driving consistently strong adoption/utilization with agents, HubSpot is moving to direct monetization as of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, with Customer Agent now available via credit-based pricing (in Pro/Enterprise tiers).

Highest level of HubSpot subscription	Included HubSpot Credits in subscription per month
Starter	500
Professional	3,000
Enterprise	5,000

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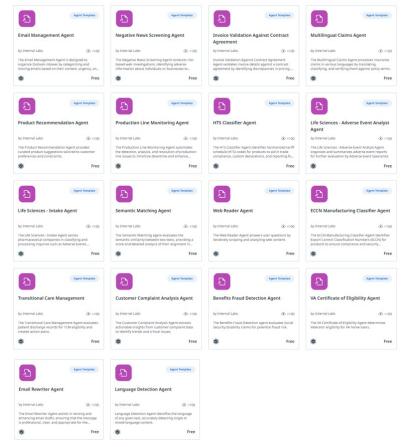
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# SaaS Vendors - UiPath, Inc (PATH)

### Agent Builder - UiPath Maestro (Orchestrator) - AutoPilot

- UiPath's product innovation remains healthy with Al-focused solutions including Agent Builder, Agentic Orchestration, and AutoPilot announced in 2024.
- The company has made further progress with recent announcements of UiPath Platform for Agentic Automation, and bi-directional integrations with Microsoft Copilot Studio and other 3rd party agents through UiPath Maestro.
- AutoPilot: Provides a set of Al-powered solutions that can automate and streamline a variety of general and departmentspecific tasks. Core capabilities include automation generation, self-service and assisted experiences, cross-application compatibility, data processing, contextual awareness, process optimization, and compliance. The functionality is available in the below UiPath products
  - Developers: Studio, StudioX, Apps, and Studio Web
  - Testers: Test Manager and Studio
  - Everyone: Assistant
- Agent Builder: Announced at the company's FORWARD user conference in 2024, Agent Builder enables users to create agents from scratch or from the company's pre-configured agents' catalog. The offering launched with "hundreds of customers" in private preview in December and management noted thousands of agents have been created generating >250,000 agent runs to date (as of 1Q26)
- UiPath Maestro: Combines RPA, AI, and human collaboration in a unified orchestration platform. Designed for complex, longrunning enterprise workflows, Maestro enables organizations to model, execute, and optimize processes that span many systems (175 average in large enterprises) while reducing implementation timelines.

### UiPath's Pre-Built Agentic Workflow Templates and Prompts



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# SaaS Vendors - GitLab (GTLB)

### GitLab Duo

- First introduced in May 2023 as part of the GitLab 16 launch and released to general availability in August 2024, GitLab Duo is a comprehensive suite of Al-powered tools integrated into GitLab's platform, designed to assist users throughout the software development lifecycle, from code creation and security assessment to collaboration and analytics.
- GitLab Duo distinguishes itself in the market in two core aspects
  - Goes beyond code assistance, integrating across the platform to enable greater automation across the SDLC.
  - Operates with a privacy-first approach, emphasizing that it does not use customers' proprietary code as training data. This is particularly important for enterprise customers concerned about IP protection.
- GitLab has established strategic partnerships to power its Al capabilities, leveraging Google's Vertex Al for tuning foundation models and Anthropic's Claude for specific features like code suggestions. GitLab selects the most suitable LLM for each individual feature.
- GitLab Duo is currently offered in two tiers, *Duo Pro* which is largely an Al code assistant and *Duo Enterprise* which provides summarization, security, and analytics capabilities.
- GitLab Duo Workflows often described as an "agentic workflow system" represents the next evolution, moving beyond reactive, prompt-based AI assistants and functioning as an autonomous team member that actively contributes to software development processes.
  - Duo Workflows actively monitors projects, anticipates issues, automatically identifies and resolves vulnerabilities, optimizes applications for performance, and streamlines development environments.
  - · Currently in private beta stage.



GitLab Duo Pricing					
Duo Pro	Duo Ent	terprise			
\$19 per user/month	Contact Sales				
Available for Premium and Ultimate customers	Available for Ultimate customers				
Features Include:	Everything from Duo Pro, plus:				
Organizational User Controls	Summarization and Templating tools	Advanced Troubleshooting			
User permissions for AI capabilities	Discussion summary	Root Cause Analysis			
Code Suggestions	Merge request summary	Al Analytics			
Code generation	Code review summary	Al Impact and Productivity Reportin			
Code completion	Security and Vulnerability tools	Personalized GitLab Duo			
Available in many popular IDEs and supports >20 programming languages	Vulnerability explanation	Self-Hosted (optional)			
Chat	Vulnerability resolution	Model Personalization (planned)			
Code explanation	Advanced Chat with				
Test generation	Merge Request context				
Code refactoring	Issue and Epic context				

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# SaaS Vendors - Appian (APPN)

### Al Skills

- Initially launched in May 2023 as part of the Appian 23.2 release, and significantly enhanced through its 24.2 release in 2024, Appian Al Skills
  represents the company's implementation of agentic Al within its low-code process automation platform. It exemplifies practical agentic Al,
  balancing purpose-built enterprise processes automation with human oversight.
- Through its collaboration with AWS Bedrock, Appian allows users to leverage the latest Gen to:
  - Incorporate AI agents into mission-critical processes.
  - · Train custom AI models.
  - · Build your own generative AI prompts in processes.
  - · Leverage the latest models while maintaining privacy.
  - Automate common use cases like content generation and processing, PII extraction, and data extraction.



### **Pricing**

Pricing is based on a token limit system within Appian's subscription tiers:

- Standard tier: 100M tokens/month
- Advanced tier: 200M tokens/month
- Premium tier: 500M tokens/month

The exact cost per token is not publicly disclosed.

Appian's plan pricing is customized and requires contacting sales for a quote.

**Palantir AIP** 

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# SaaS Vendors – Palantir (PLTR)

### Palantir's Artificial Intelligence Platform (AIP) which today includes agent functionality was first announced in April 2023.

- Al Agent Functionality: AIP enables users to build and deploy AI Agents using customized LLMs that interact with enterprise data and integrate with the customers' "ontology" (digital twin) to improve the decision-making capabilities of the agents. Palantir's agent use cases focus primarily on data heavy, analytics use cases, but can be broadly customized for different operational use cases.
- Integration: AIP integrates with Palantir's
   Foundry, leveraging existing data pipelines
   and operational workflows to automate
   processes. Based on recent demos and
   customer conversations, most agent
   workflows continue to have a human in the
   loop rather than being fully autonomous.

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### **Pricing**

 Pricing details are not publicized but our channel conversations suggest that customers can in many cases get initial developer access via pilots (free trials), while enterprise pricing is then provided on a custom basis based on existing contracts.

Source: Company Data, Morgan Stanley Research

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# SaaS Vendors - C3.ai (AI)

- C3 Al's Al agent functionality was announced initially as part of the C3 Generative Al suite in March 2023.
- Al Agent Functionality: C3 Al agents leverage orchestration software to create and deploy multiple specialized Al agents that autonomously retrieve, analyze, and summarize enterprise data via a natural language interface, driving interactive decision support and workflow automation.
- Integration: Agent capabilities are built into the C3
   Al Platform and integrate with different pre-built
   enterprise Al applications, to extend existing
   models and connectors.

# Planning and Orchestration Al Agent Mil. Insight Al Agent Information Retrieval Al Agent Dashboard Al Agent Optimizer Al Agent Treasures Unstructured Data Retriever Application Data Object Geologatial Charring Tool

C3 Al Agents

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### **Pricing**

- C3 Al's pricing is partly consumption-based with pilots starting at \$250,000 to launch an Al application, which is followed by charges per vCPU/vGPU hour with volume discounts.
- The service is available via cloud marketplaces for self-service deployment.

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# SaaS Vendors - SAP (SAPG)

### Joule

SAP's AI strategy centers around Joule, its generative AI copilot launched in September 2023. Joule is embedded throughout SAP's cloud enterprise portfolio, allowing users to interact with business data using natural language across applications from HR to finance, supply chain, and customer experience.

Joule serves as an intelligent assistant that understands business context and can perform tasks like analyzing financial data, optimizing supply chains, and enhancing customer experiences. It provides personalized insights and recommendations based on users' roles and permissions within the SAP ecosystem.

In October 2024, SAP enhanced Joule with collaborative AI agents - specialized AI systems that work together on complex business workflows. These agents handle specific tasks across finance, service, and sales with customers able to build their own agents alongside SAP's library. The agents can automate processes like invoice matching, customer service inquiries, and sales opportunity qualification.

The SAP Knowledge Graph, introduced in Q1 2025, provides deeper business understanding by mapping relationships across SAP's data landscape. This solution grounds AI in business semantics, connecting entities like purchase orders and invoices while reducing the risk of inaccurate AI results.

For developers, SAP offers Al-powered tools including:

- Generative AI capabilities in SAP Build for code explanation
- ABAP Large Language Model for customizations
- Vector database features in SAP HANA Cloud

SAP delivered over 130 Al use cases at the end of 2024 and has committed to delivering 400+ by end of 2025, focusing on measurable business outcomes while maintaining principles of relevance, reliability, and responsibility.

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### **Out-of-the-box Agents**



1 Joule
Collaborative AI agent
experience across our
portfolio

500+
skills added so far

Al Capabilities Embedded or customized Al by partner, customer, or SAP 100+ Generative Al use cases

3 Al Foundation
Integrated enterprise data,
security, and compliance

100+ Partners on Al foundation

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# **Startups – Cognition Labs**

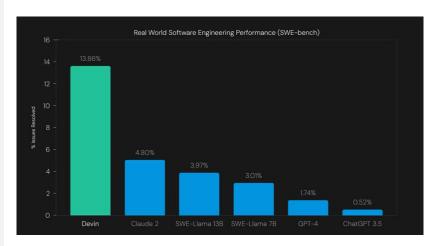
### Devin

- Launched in March 2024, Devin is an autonomous Al assistant created by Cognition Labs, branded as the "first Al software engineer" and designed to complete software development tasks with minimal human intervention.
- Cognition Labs (also known as Cognition AI) is a startup founded by a small team led by CEO Scott Wu, CTO Steven Hao, and CPO Walden Yan.
  - The company received \$21 million in Series A funding led by Peter Thiel's Founders Fund – at \$350 million valuation.
  - Raised another \$175M shortly after in a Series B round led by Founders Fund – at \$2 billion valuation.
  - Recently the company secured additional funding (undisclosed amount) valuing the company close to \$4 billion as reported by <u>Bloomberg</u>.

### Core Functionalities:

- Autonomous planning and execution of complex engineering tasks
- Coding, debugging, and problem-solving with ability to recall relevant context and fix mistakes
- Learning unfamiliar technologies by researching online resources to complete tasks
- Building and deploying applications end-to-end from simple text prompts
- Finding and fixing bugs in existing codebases independently
- Training and fine-tunning its own Al models when necessary

### **Claimed Performance**



### **Pricing**

After an initial early access period, Devin became generally available in December 2024 with *pricing starting at \$500 per month*,

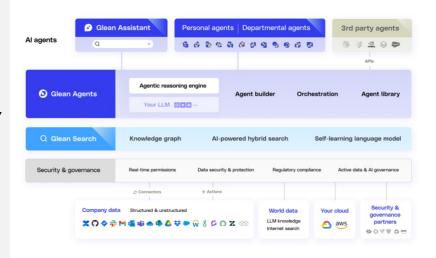
- Subscription includes no seat limits, access to its Slack integration, IDE extension, and API, along with onboarding and support.
- There is a pay-as-you-go component for additional ACUs or "Devin Activity Units" at \$2/ACU, up to a limit. Each ACU is roughly equivalent to 15 minutes of active Devin work.

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# Startups - Glean

### **Work Al Platform**

- Founded in 2019 by former Google search engineers led by Arvind Jain, Glean has evolved from an AI-powered enterprise search solution to a comprehensive "Work AI" platform.
- Beginning with a \$15 million Series A in 2019, Glean has secured over \$500 million in total investment, including a \$200 million Series D round in February 2024 at a \$2.2 billion valuation and a \$260 million Series E round in September 2024 that valued the company at \$4.6 billion.
- Glean's core offering is its Work AI platform, which connects to and understands enterprise data, enabling AI-powered search, content generation, and task automation.
- Key Platform Components:
  - Al-Powered Search: Uses vector search and LLMs to enable natural language queries. Delivered personalized results based on the user's role, current work, and collaborators.
  - Glean Assist: Al assistant that allows users to ask questions, find information, and perform advanced tasks. In February 2025, Glean enhanced this with "multi-step prompts", enabling reasoning through complex tasks.
  - Glean Agents: Launched in February 2025, it provides a horizontal agent environment for building, deploying, orchestrating, and governing AI Agents.
    - These agents can automate personal tasks and business processes, with access to both enterprise data and internet data.



### **Pricing**

**For organizations**, there is *no public pricing structure or free plan*, requiring potential customers to schedule a demo and discussion with their sales team for a customized quote.

For Individuals, there are 5 pricing editions:

- 1. \$12/month for monthly access
- 2. \$129 for 1 year \$10.75/month
- 3. \$245 for 2 years \$10.20/month
- 4. \$348 for 3 years \$9.67/month
- 5. \$439 for 4 years \$9.15/month

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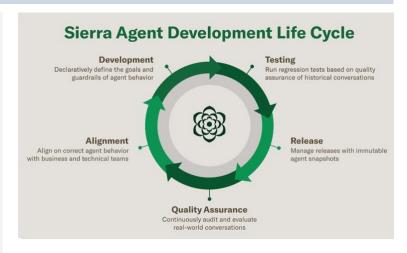
# Startups - Sierra

### **Agent OS**

- Founded in February 2023 by Bret Taylor (current chairman of OpenAl's BoD and previously Co-CEO of Salesforce) and Clay Bavor (previously led Google Labs), Sierra is a conversational Al platform that enables businesses to deploy sophisticated, brand-aligned Al agents.
- In October 2024, Sierra raised \$175 million in a Series B round led by Greenoaks Capital at a \$4.5 billion valuation, more than quadrupling its valuation since January 2024 when it raised \$110 million from Sequoia Capital and Benchmark at a ~\$1 billion valuation.
  - Sierra has reportedly crossed \$20 million in annualized revenue, per Reuters.
- Sierra targets the customer experience software market by addressing systemic inefficiencies in traditional contact centers. The platform, branded as **Agent OS**, combines LLMs with proprietary orchestration layers to create AI agents capable of handling complex, multi-step customer interactions.

### Key Platform Components:

- Agent Development Environment: Provides no-code tools for defining Goals (reducing call handling time or increasing upsell rates), Guardrails (prevent unauthorized actions or violations), and Knowledge Grounding (integration with 100+ enterprise systems via APIs).
- Multi-LLM Architecture: Combines foundation models from OpenAI, Anthropic, and Meta. Primary LLMs handle conversation flow, while secondary models verify accuracy and monitor for hallucinations.
- Voice Interaction Engine: Launched in October 2024, it processes tone, pacing, and emotional inflection, naturally handles conversational overlaps/interruptions, and analyses sentiment in real-time to trigger de-escalation protocols.
- Action Execution Framework: Agents can initiate business processes like subscription cancellations, order returns/exchanges, and appointment rescheduling.



### **Pricing**

Sierra doesn't publicly disclose specific pricing tiers, instead the company emphasizes an "outcome-based pricing" approach, which is tied to tangible business impacts, such as a resolved support conversation, a saved cancellation, an upsell, a cross-sell. If the conversation isn't resolved, in most cases there's no charge.

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# Startups - Aisera

### **Aisera Agentic Al Platform**

- Founded in 2017 by CEO Matt Thomas, Aisera is an enterprise Aldriven service automation platform, delivering solutions that blend generative AI with sophisticated workflow orchestration.
- Since its funding, Aisera has raised \$180 million across multiple funding rounds, though its valuation remains undisclosed.

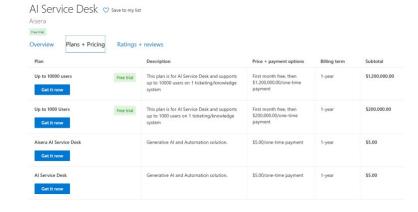
### **Key Platform Components:**

- Intentless Orchestration Engine: Enables natural language interactions without predefined intent mappings. It acts autonomously to understand, reason, and proactively fulfill requests through AI agents.
- Multi-LLM Gateway: Employs a model routing system that selects between Azure AI, OpenAI, Google Vertex AI, Llama 3, AWS Bedrock, or proprietary AiseraLLM based on query complexity.
- Al Agent Development: Build Al Agents leveraging AiseraLLM, task-specific agents, domain-specific LLMs, and Al Studios.
  - LLM Studio: Integrate and execute any LLM of your choice in your Gen Al application with Aisera;s Gateway (LLMOps)
  - Prompt Studio: Create, test, and refine prompts to mitigate hallucinations and irrelevant outputs.
  - Event Studio: Take actions from system events by dynamically triggering action flows based on the priority, sequence, and nature of the event.
  - Workflow Studio: Create workflows using a low-code/nocode interface, leveraging a library of 3K+ pre-built automations.
  - Copilot Studio: Create context-aware and time-saving skill flows that complete tasks easily.
  - Hyperflow Studio: Complete tasks by identifying which APIs to call and dynamically orchestrating their execution in sequence on the fly.

Source: Company Data, Morgan Stanley Research



### Pricing per Azure Marketplace



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# Startups - CrewAl

### CrewAl

- Founded in 2023 by João Moura in São Paulo, Brazil, CrewAl is a multi-agent Al platform providing a framework for building, deploying, and managing Al agents, with both high-level simplicity and precise low-level control, for creating autonomous Al agents tailored to any scenario:
  - CrewAl Crews: Optimize for autonomy and collaborative intelligence, enabling you to create Al teams where each agent has specific roles, tools, and goals
  - CrewAl Flows: Enable granular, event-driven control, single LLM calls for precise task orchestration and supports Crews natively.
- CrewAI began as an open-source framework (still is), but after a successful private beta, it launched an Enterprise edition in October 2024 after raising \$18 million across two funding rounds including a Series A led by Insight Partners. Valuation is unknown.
- Key Features and Capabilities:
  - Role-Based Agents: Create specialized agents with defined roles, expertise, and goals.
  - Intelligent Collaboration: Agents work together, sharing insights and coordinating tasks to achieve complex objectives.
  - Flexible Tools: Equip agents with custom tools and APIs to interact with external services and data sources.
  - Task Management: Define sequential or parallel workflows, with agents automatically handling task dependencies.
  - Event-Driven Orchestration: Define precise execution paths responding dynamically to events.
  - Fine-Grained Control: Manage workflow states and conditional execution securely and efficiently.
  - Native Crew Integration: Effortlessly combine with Crews for enhanced autonomy and intelligence.
  - Deterministic Execution: Ensure predictable outcomes with explicit control flow and error handling.



CrewAl Pricing Tiers, Features, and Intended Users						
Free Basic Standard Pro Enterprise Ultra					Ultra	
Pricing	Free	\$99/month	\$6,000/year	\$12,000/year	\$60,000/year	\$120,000/year
		2 Crews, 100	5 Crews, 1K	10 Crews, 2K	50 Crews, 10K	100 Crews,
	1 Crew, 50	monthly	monthly	monthly	monthly	500K monthly
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Intended Users	Techies searching for a new AI tool	Small businesses with limited workflows	Small businesses that are scaling to median	Median to large businesses, growing	Large organizations and enterprises	Fortune 500/ Enterprises

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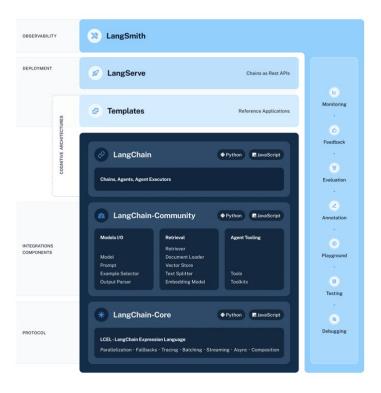
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# Startups - LangChain

### LangChain - LangSmith - LangGraph

- Founded in October 2022 by CEO Harrison Chase and co-founder Ankush Gola, LangChain originated as an open-source project to facilitate development of applications connected to LLMs. After gaining significant traction, it incorporated in April 2023 and has since raised ~\$35 million in private funding.
- Key Platform Components:
  - Model I/O: Interfaces with language models through standardized abstractions for LLMs, chat models, and embedding models
  - Prompt Management: Creates templated and dynamically selected prompts with example selectors to improve model outputs
  - Retrieval Framework: Enables information retrieval through document loaders, text splitters, embeddings, and vector stores for effective RAG
  - Memory Systems: Implements chat message history and conversation persistence between chain runs
  - Chains: Provides common building block compositions for creating workflows that combine multiple components
  - Agent Development: Builds AI agents that can reason about issues, break them down into dub-tasks, and choose appropriate tools to complete goals
- Ecosystem:
  - LangChain Libraries: Core open-source packages available in Python and JavaScript with various integrations
  - LangChain Expression Language (LCEL): Declarative syntax for orchestrating components, introduced in Q3 2023
  - LangServe: Deployment tool launched in Oct 2023 to host LCEL code as production-ready APIs
  - LangSmith: Developer platform for debugging, testing, evaluating, and monitoring LLM applications with pricing starting at \$39/seat/month
  - LangGraph Platform: Cloud service for deploying agentic applications at scale with usage-based pricing (\$0.001/node executed)

### LangChain Ecosystem



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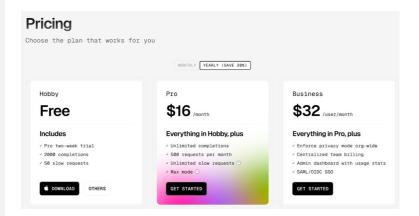
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# Startups - Anysphere

### Cursor

- Founded in 2022 by four MIT classmates (Sualeh Asif, Arvid Lunnemark, Aman Sanger, and Michael Truell), the company launched its flagship product Cursor in 2023. Later that year it raised \$8 million in seed funding led by OpenAl's Startup Fund
- Anysphere has raised over \$1 billion in funding to date, including a \$900
  million funding round in May 2025 led by Thrive Capital at a \$9 billion
  valuation
- Cursor is an Al-powered integrated development environment (IDE) that enhances developer productivity through 1) intelligent code generation, 2) codebase understanding, 3) multi-model integration, 4) smart reviews, 5) VS code compatibility, and 6) Agent Mode
- Agent Mode: Autonomous AI coding agent that independently explores, plans, and executes complex codebase changes with full tools.
   Capabilities include:
  - Autonomous Operation: Independently explores your codebase, identifies relevant files, and makes necessary changes
  - Full Tool Access: Uses all available tools to search, edit, create files, and run terminal commands
  - Contextual Understanding: Builds a comprehensive understanding of your project structure and dependencies
  - Multi-Step Planning: Breaks complex tasks into manageable steps and executes them in sequence
- · Ecosystem & Adoption:
  - Enterprise Adoption: Used by engineering teams at major tech companies including Stripe, OpenAI, Spotify, and Uber
  - Developer Impact: Reportedly crossed 1 billion lines of generated code per day
  - Acquisition: Acquired AI coding assistant Supermaven in November 2024 to expand capabilities



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Stock Rating Category	Count	% of Total	Count	% of Total IBC	% of Rating Category	Count	% of Total Other MISC
Overweight/Buy	1493	40%	379	46%	25%	698	41%
Equal-weight/Hold	1650	44%	372	45%	23%	782	46%
Not-Rated/Hold	4	0%	0	0%	0%	2	0%
Underweight/Sell	602	16%	74	9%	12%	235	14%
Total	3,749		825			1717	

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Blackline Inc (BL.0)	O (09/29/2024)	\$58.22
E2open Parent Holdings Inc (ETWO.N)	E (01/17/2024)	\$3.23
OneStream Inc (OS.0)	O (01/16/2025)	\$29.07
Vertex Inc. (VERX.0)	O (01/17/2024)	\$41.87
Elizabeth Porter, CFA		
Amplitude Inc. (AMPL.0)	E (01/13/2025)	\$12.97
Autodesk (ADSK.0)	O (08/23/2024)	\$298.22
Freshworks Inc (FRSH.0)	E (10/18/2021)	\$15.61
GoDaddy Inc (GDDY.N)	E (07/19/2021)	\$180.39
HubSpot, Inc. (HUBS.N)	O (03/21/2023)	\$602.61
Klaviyo, Inc (KVYO.N)	E (10/16/2023)	\$33.95
LegalZoom.com Inc (LZ.0)	U (07/28/2022)	\$9.20
Liveramp Holdings Inc (RAMP.N)	E (01/13/2025)	\$33.12
Semrush Holdings Inc -A (SEMR.N)	O (01/13/2025)	\$10.11
Sprinklr Inc (CXM.N)	E (07/19/2021)	\$8.85
Sprout Social Inc (SPT.0)	E (11/17/2020)	\$21.86
Wix.Com Ltd (WIX.O)	O (01/13/2025)	\$153.25
Zeta Global Holdings Corp (ZETA.N)	E (08/01/2024)	\$13.64
ZoomInfo Technologies Inc (GTM.0)	E (02/01/2024)	\$9.97
Josh Baer, CFA		
Asana Inc (ASAN.N)	U (05/20/2025)	\$14.72
BigCommerce Holdings, Inc. (BIGC.O)	E (05/11/2021)	\$5.12
Box Inc (BOX.N)	E (05/21/2024)	\$37.93
CCC Intelligent Solutions Holdings Inc (CCCS.0)	O (11/13/2024)	\$8.92
Coursera, Inc. (COUR.N)	E (06/05/2025)	\$8.86
DigitalOcean Holdings Inc (DOCN.N)	O (01/16/2025)	\$27.77
Docebo Inc. (DCBO.0)	E (05/12/2025)	\$26.85
DocuSign Inc (DOCU.0)	E (01/16/2024)	\$92.90
Lightspeed POS Inc. (LSPD.N)	E (02/18/2021)	\$11.34

Sabre Corp (SABR.O)	E (03/16/2021)	\$2.70
ServiceTitan Inc (TTAN.0)	E (01/06/2025)	\$114.55
Toast, Inc. (TOST.N)	0 (12/16/2021)	\$42.82
Udemy Inc (UDMY.0)	E (06/05/2025)	\$7.55
Keith Weiss, CFA		
Adobe Inc. (ADBE.O)	0 (07/31/2023)	\$415.20
Akamai Technologies, Inc. (AKAM.0)	E (04/29/2020)	\$76.14
Atlassian Corporation PLC (TEAM.0)	0 (01/13/2020)	\$218.60
Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. (CHKP.0)	E (10/16/2023)	\$231.11
Cloudflare Inc (NET.N)	0 (12/02/2024)	\$176.33
CoreWeave (CRWV.0)	E (04/22/2025)	\$135.05
CrowdStrike Holdings Inc (CRWD.0)	0 (01/09/2024)	\$462.94
CyberArk Software Ltd (CYBR.O)	E (01/09/2024)	\$392.18
Fortinet Inc. (FTNT.0)	0 (10/07/2022)	\$103.50
Gen Digital Inc. (GEN.O)	E (06/07/2024)	\$29.13
Intuit (INTU.O)	O (02/26/2025)	\$766.64
Jamf Holding Corp (JAMF.O)	E (10/13/2024)	\$10.54
Microsoft (MSFT.0)	0 (01/13/2016)	\$467.68
Okta, Inc. (OKTA.0)	O (12/02/2024)	\$104.18
Oracle Corporation (ORCL.N)	E (01/15/2019)	\$171.14
Palo Alto Networks Inc (PANW.0)	0 (10/10/2017)	\$197.11
Qualys Inc (QLYS.0)	U (02/09/2021)	\$139.70
Rapid7 Inc (RPD.O)	E (08/11/2015)	\$23.17
SailPoint Inc (SAIL.0)	E (03/10/2025)	\$18.02
Salesforce, Inc. (CRM.N)	0 (12/21/2023)	\$267.14
Samsara Inc (IOT.N)	E (03/23/2023)	\$47.25
SentinelOne, Inc. (S.N)	E (12/02/2024)	\$18.12
ServiceNow Inc (NOW.N)	E (10/21/2024)	\$1,017.60
Shopify Inc (SHOP.0)	0 (04/19/2024)	\$105.03
Snowflake Inc. (SNOW.N)	E (02/29/2024)	\$210.10
Tenable Holdings Inc (TENB.O)	E (12/02/2024)	\$32.56
Varonis Systems, Inc. (VRNS.0)	0 (10/16/2023)	\$50.14
Workday Inc (WDAY.0)	E (02/19/2025)	\$250.10
Zscaler Inc (ZS.0)	E (01/12/2023)	\$300.88
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	U (06/14/2024)	¢1 77
8x8 Inc (EGHT.0)		\$1.77
Five9 Inc (FIVN.0)	E (10/10/2022)	\$28.55
NICE Ltd. (NICE.O)	0 (10/16/2023)	\$175.96
RingCentral Inc (RNG.N)	E (08/08/2023)	\$26.80
Twilio Inc (TWLO.N)	0 (02/24/2025)	\$120.80
Zoom Video Communications Inc (ZM.0)	E (10/11/2022)	\$81.33
Roy D Campbell		
Karooooo Ltd (KARO.0)	0 (04/27/2021)	\$57.86
Sanjit K Singh		
Appian Corp (APPN.0)	E (12/03/2021)	\$31.80
C3.ai (Al.N)	U (01/04/2021)	\$25.34
Confluent, Inc. (CFLT.O)	E (01/16/2025)	\$24.18
Couchbase, Inc. (BASE.0)	E (08/16/2021)	\$19.46
Datadog, Inc. (DDOG.0)	E (01/16/2025)	\$121.75
Dynatrace Inc (DT.N)	E (02/13/2024)	\$54.94
Elastic NV (ESTC.N)	0 (12/16/2024)	\$86.29
GitLab Inc (GTLB.0)	O (10/09/2024)	\$48.77
JFrog Ltd. (FROG.0)	0 (12/21/2023)	\$43.18
MongoDB Inc (MDB.0)	O (04/12/2023)	\$225.38
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PagerDuty, Inc. (PD.N)	E (01/24/2024)	\$15.38
Palantir Technologies Inc. (PLTR.0)	E (02/04/2025)	\$119.91
UiPath Inc (PATH.N)	E (09/07/2022)	\$13.26

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COMPANY (TICKER)	RATING (AS OF)	PRICE* (06/05/2025)
Brian Nowak, CFA		
Airbnb Inc (ABNB.0)	U (12/06/2022)	\$137.29
Alphabet Inc. (GOOGL.O)	O (08/11/2015)	\$168.21
Amazon.com Inc (AMZN.O)	O (04/24/2015)	\$207.91
Booking Holdings Inc (BKNG.0)	E (01/09/2019)	\$5,570.52
DoorDash Inc (DASH.O)	0 (02/21/2024)	\$215.84
Expedia Inc. (EXPE.0)	E (01/09/2019)	\$173.38
Instacart (CART.O)	E (01/29/2024)	\$46.24
Lyft Inc (LYFT.0)	E (10/24/2019)	\$15.53
Meta Platforms Inc (META.O)	0 (03/20/2023)	\$684.62
Nextdoor Holdings Inc (KIND.N)	U (05/12/2025)	\$1.61
Pinterest Inc (PINS.N)	E (03/28/2022)	\$33.76
Reddit Inc (RDDT.N)	0 (12/08/2024)	\$112.24
Snap Inc. (SNAP.N)	E (07/22/2024)	\$8.20
Uber Technologies Inc (UBER.N)	O (06/04/2019)	\$84.67
Matthew Cost		
AppLovin Corp (APP.0)	O (04/10/2025)	\$414.14
Compass, Inc. (COMP.N)	E (07/20/2022)	\$6.16
Criteo SA (CRTO.0)	E (01/26/2016)	\$26.28
DoubleVerify Holdings Inc (DV.N)	E (06/25/2024)	\$15.03
Electronic Arts Inc (EA.O)	E (08/04/2021)	\$147.88
Integral Ad Science Holding Corp. (IAS.0)	E (04/16/2024)	\$8.24
Opendoor Technologies Inc (OPEN.O)	E (07/24/2023)	\$0.66
Playtika Holding Corp (PLTK.O)	E (11/27/2022)	\$4.88
Roblox Corporation (RBLX.N)	0 (11/04/2024)	\$94.20
Shutterstock Inc (SSTK.N)	E (07/28/2022)	\$17.86
Take-Two Interactive Software (TTWO.0)	O (02/01/2018)	\$231.03
Trade Desk Inc (TTD.0)	O (06/01/2023)	\$71.11
Unity Software Inc (U.N)	0 (09/02/2024)	\$24.79
Webtoon Entertainment Inc (WBTN.O)	E (07/22/2024)	\$8.78
Yelp Inc (YELP.N)	U (01/10/2019)	\$36.80
Zillow Group Inc (Z.O)	E (04/18/2018)	\$69.80
Nathan Feather		
Bumble Inc. (BMBL.0)	E (03/08/2021)	\$5.35
Chewy Inc (CHWY.N)	0 (10/31/2023)	\$47.49
Duolingo Inc (DUOL.O)	0 (04/23/2025)	\$522.99
eBay Inc (EBAY.O)	0 (04/18/2024)	\$77.74
Etsy Inc (ETSY.0)	U (04/18/2024)	\$62.72
FIGS, Inc. (FIGS.N)	E (02/29/2024)	\$5.09
Match Group Inc (MTCH.0)	E (04/18/2024)	\$31.50
Peloton Interactive, Inc. (PTON.0)	E (03/14/2022)	\$6.94
Revolve Group Inc (RVLV.N)	E (10/20/2024)	\$22.57
WW International Inc (WGHTQ.PK)	NR (05/20/2025)	\$0.27

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