

# Agentic AI vs. AI Agents

## Understanding the 5 Key Distinctions



### Agentic AI & AI Agents

Agentic AI is a broader system orchestrating multiple AI agents to achieve strategic goals. AI agents function within Agentic AI, leveraging specialized tools to execute tasks efficiently. While AI agents execute tasks, Agentic AI elevates autonomy, decision-making, and adaptability. Let's compare their capabilities.

#### Autonomy & Decision-Making

##### Agentic AI



Integrates multiple AI agents to function with a higher level of autonomy, making strategic decisions proactively.

##### AI Agents



Operate within predefined frameworks and respond to inputs.

#### Learning Capabilities

##### Agentic AI



Combines AI agents with real-time learning, refining decision-making from past experiences.

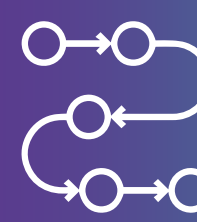
##### AI Agents



Improve through programming updates but have limited adaptive learning.

#### Functionality & Complexity

##### Agentic AI



Leverages multiple AI agents to manage complex, multi-step processes across domains.

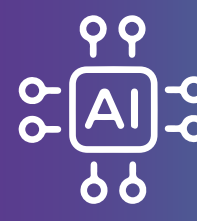
##### AI Agents



Perform specific, well-defined tasks like customer service automation.

#### Proactiveness & Responsiveness

##### Agentic AI



Uses AI agents to identify patterns, adapt in real time, and take proactive actions.

##### AI Agents



React to specific triggers but do not anticipate changes.

#### Planning & Goal Orientation

##### Agentic AI



Aligns AI agents with overarching business objectives, ensuring long-term success.

##### AI Agents



Execute predefined tasks efficiently but optimize for short-term goals.