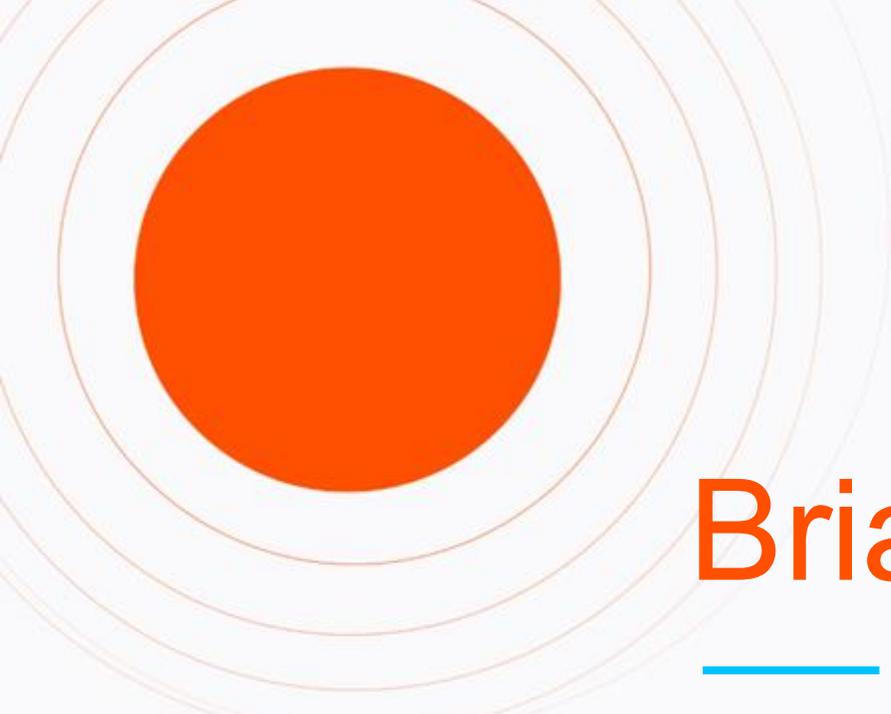


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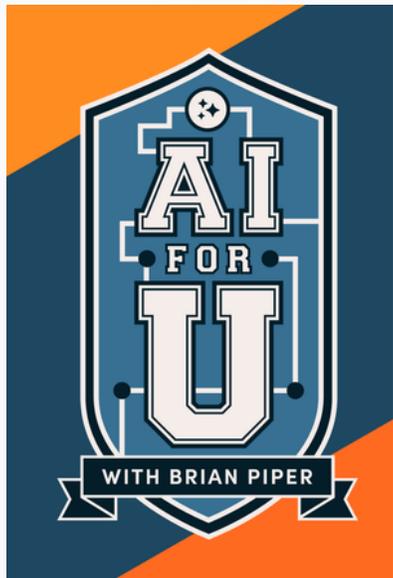
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# AI Agents

“Autonomous systems that understand natural language, learn from experience, and perform tasks for users.”

- Andrew Ng





Demis Hassabis is the CEO of Google DeepMind. Getty Images

“These systems will be able to plan, act, reason, and use tools.”

- Demis Hassabis

“Everything human workers do now will eventually be done by AI systems.”

- Dario Amodei

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# Levels of agency/autonomy

- Foundation models
- Custom GPTs
- Deep research
- Automations
- Chatbots
- Autonomous agents



J.P.Morgan

Contract Intelligence (COiN) agent

Perform tasks that once consumed 360,000 lawyer-hours

Cut error rates by 80%

\$1.5B in savings



Salon chain moving from 81 to 160 locations.  
Deployed a Zendesk hybrid AI agent solution

66% automation rate

Saves \$14,000 monthly in operational costs

Enabled 100% growth without additional reception staff

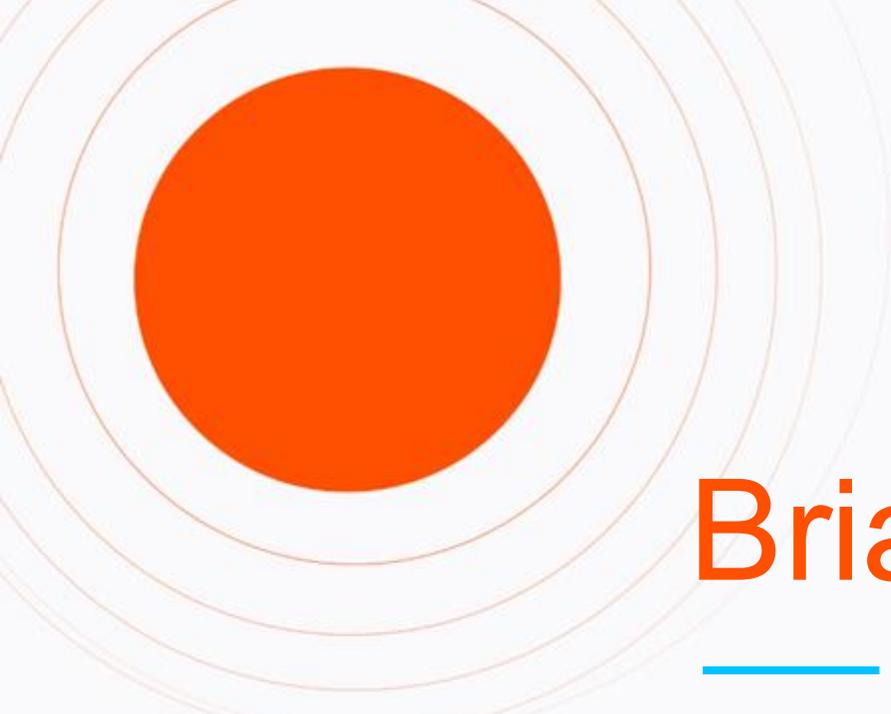


Waiverlyn – lead gen bot – captures leads, qualifies them, and books consultations.

Boosted consultations by 25%

Increased visitor engagement by 9x

Within 3 weeks, the bot had paid for itself



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