

AI Coding Overview

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Market Opportunity



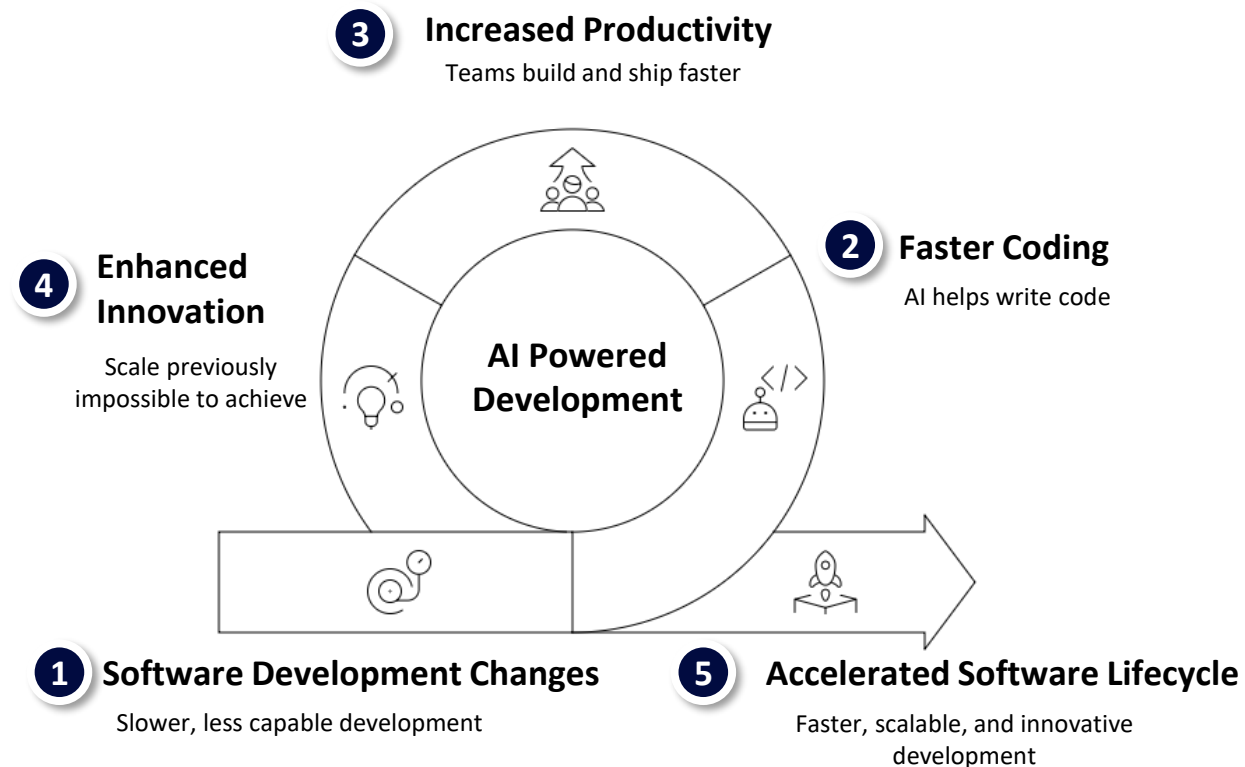
Why This Matters

AI's Role in Redefining the Future of Coding

How AI Transforms Code Development

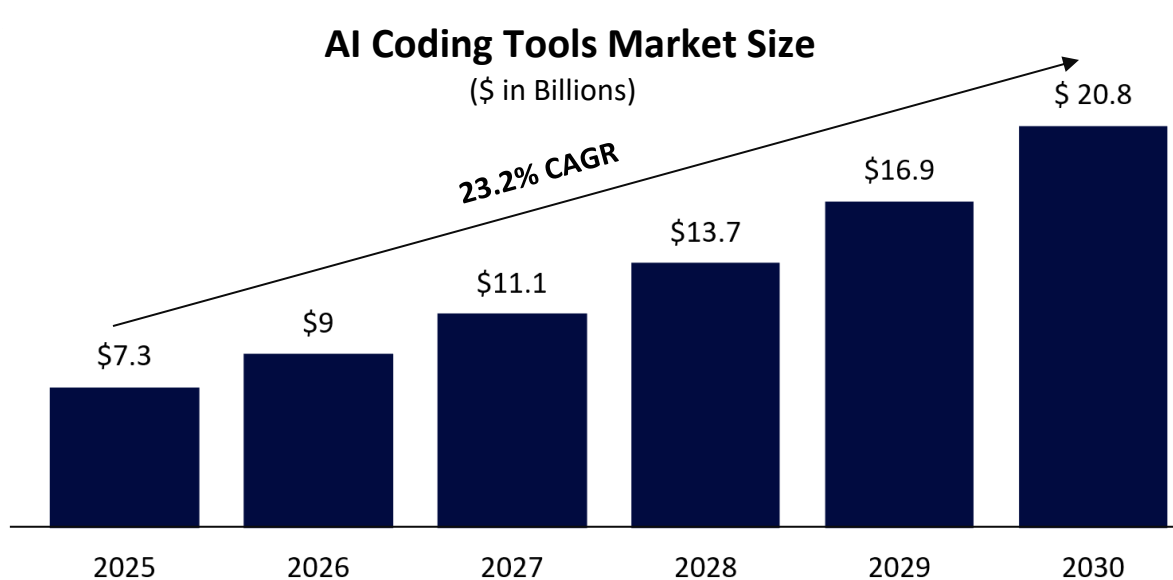
- AI is transforming software development by dramatically boosting speed, productivity, and accessibility
 - Platforms like Cursor, Gemini, Windsurf, and Claude Code accelerate coding, letting teams build more, ship sooner, and innovate at a previously unimaginable scale
 - At the same time, these advances raise important considerations :
 - Code quality and long-term maintainability
 - Security and trust in machine-generated output
 - Intellectual property in co-created systems
 - The evolving skillsets and roles of developers
- AI now permeates the entire software lifecycle, reshaping who can code, how fast teams scale, and the speed at which ideas reach users***
- Instead of replacing developers, AI acts as a force multiplier and accelerates modern software development***

Supercharging Software Development with AI



Market Landscape & Trends

AI coding tools are booming as enterprise adoption and innovation accelerate



Performance

- With Copilot, Microsoft has seen up to 22%⁽¹⁾ increase in weekly pull requests
- Microsoft found developers completed 26% more tasks weekly using AI coding tools
- Developers using Copilot completed tasks 56% faster than those without it (Github)

Major Developments

- 2022** – GitHub Copilot launched, hitting 1.2M users in 1 year, popularizing AI-assisted coding
- 2023** – Enterprise tool CodeWhisperer scales, with Copilot hitting ~50K customers by EOY
- 2024** – Generative AI contributes to over 40% of global code, totaling 256B+ lines written

5 Emerging Trends in the Market

1

Expansion of Multimodal AI Models



AI tools parse code, diagrams, voice, and screenshots—accelerating developers’ writing, debugging, and reviews.

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Rise of AI-Native Development



Tools now integrate directly into the IDE⁽¹⁾, streamlining bug detection, error correction, and testing.

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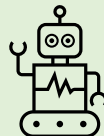
Ethical and Responsible AI Coding



As AI becomes more integrated, companies focus on bias, transparency, and responsible use.

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Agentic AI Development



Shift from suggestions to autonomous AI agents executing complex development tasks independently.

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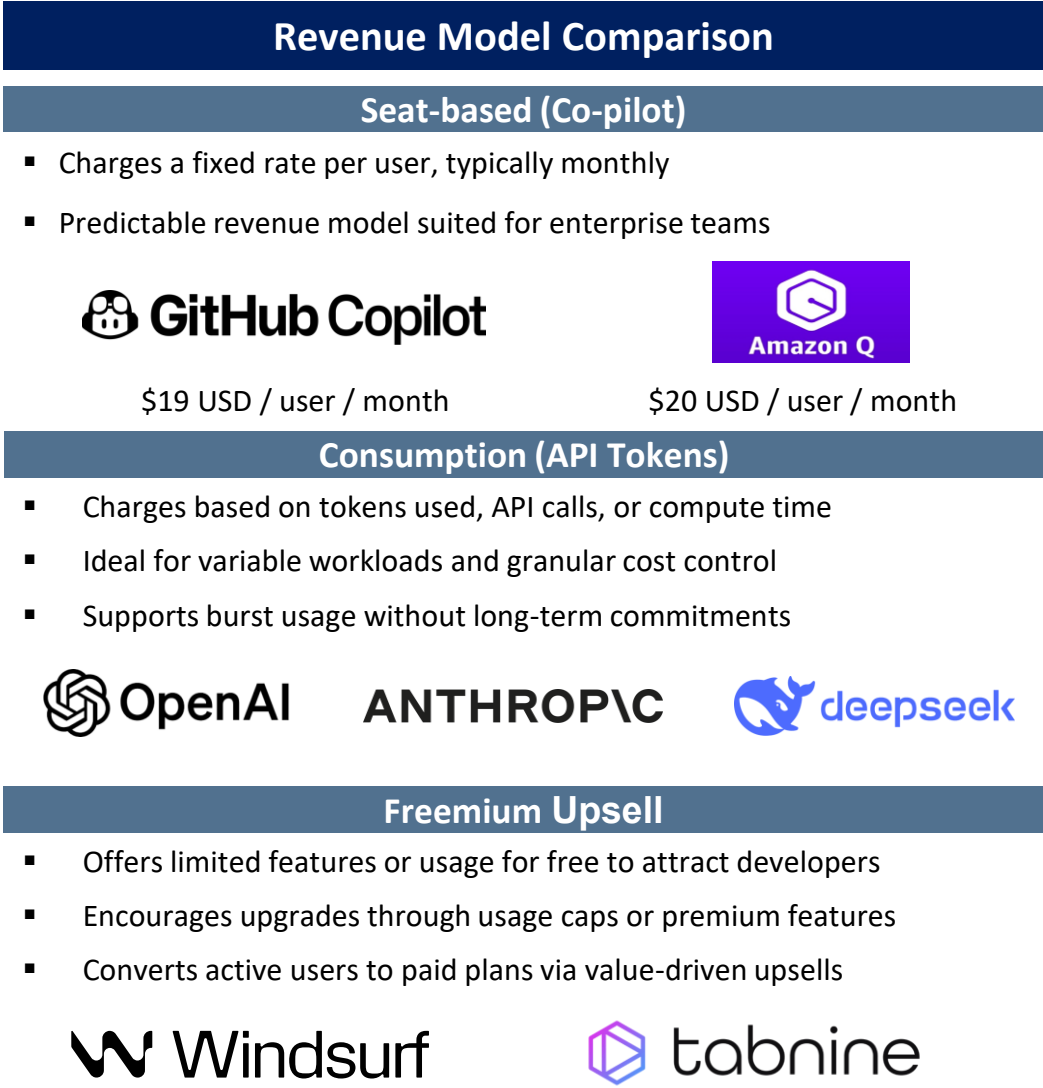
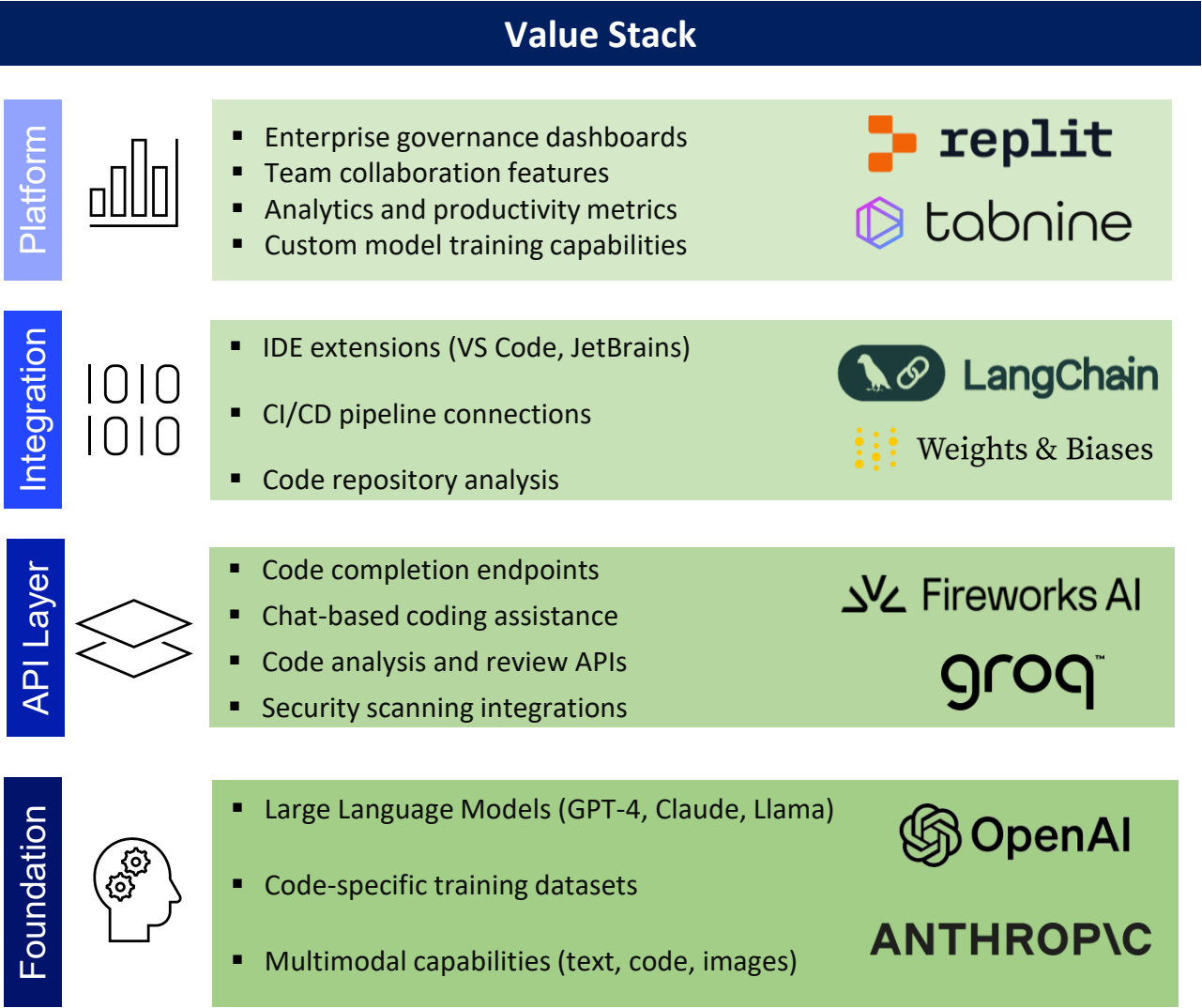
Low-Code / No-code Integration



AI tools democratize development—70% of new enterprise apps will use them by 2025.

Value Stack & Revenue Model

AI dev tools monetize across the stack through seat-based, usage-based, and freemium models



Market Opportunity



Adoption Curve

From early pilots to mainstream deployment, AI coding adoption is accelerating despite enterprise friction

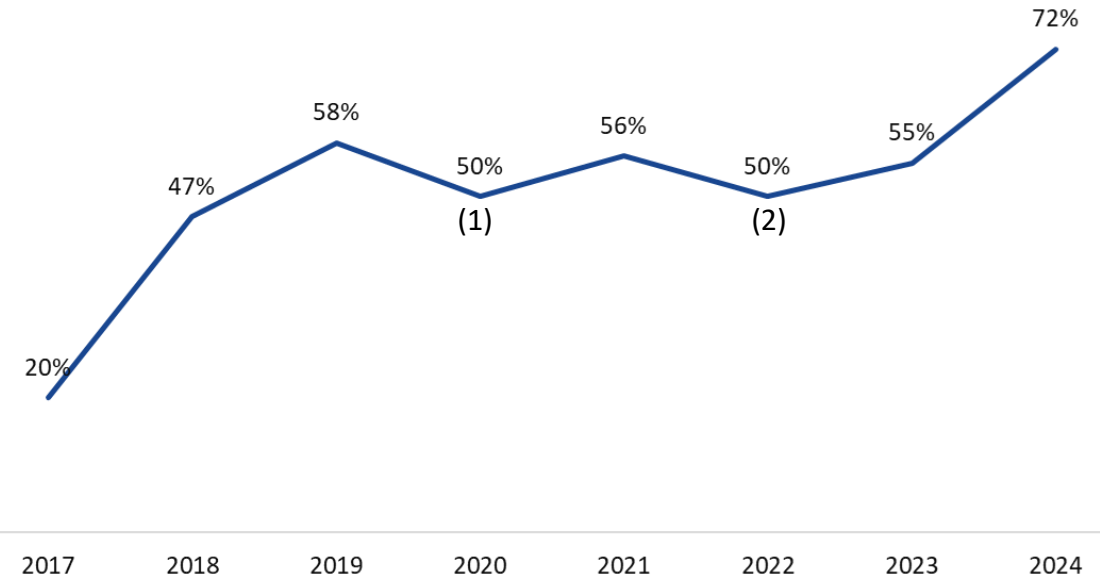
Enterprise POCs vs. Org-wide Rollout

- 1.3M paid GitHub Copilot subscribers, 50K enterprise customers
- 67% of Accenture developers use Copilot 5+ days per week
- 40% of orgs now move from POC to production in under 6 months
- Cross-functional use cases (IT + compliance) increase stickiness

Key Accelerants & Friction

- Accelerants: 55% faster task completion, 87% preserve mental effort
- 64% of organizations lack AI visibility, 43% split on trusting AI output
- Model hallucination = #1 barrier to scaling coding copilots
- Only 18% of companies have formal AI governance frameworks
- Tech/startups highest adoption, insurance lowest at 35% acceptance
- Unclear legal IP ownership

Organizations Using AI in at Least 1 Business Function(s)⁽³⁾, % of Respondents



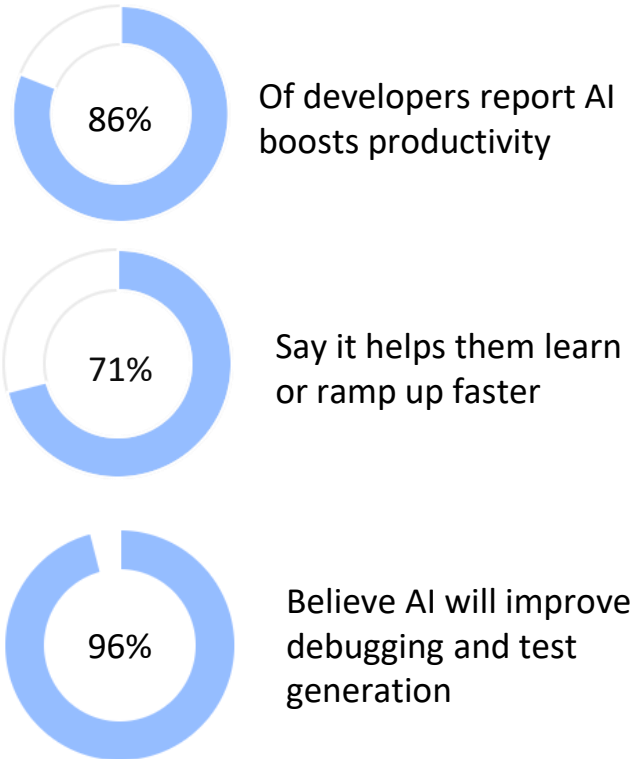
According to McKinsey's The State of AI in early 2024⁽³⁾, the definition of AI Adoption is as follows:

- In 2017, the definition for AI adoption was using AI in a core part of the organization's business or at scale
- In 2018 and 2019, the definition was embedding at least 1 AI capability in business processes or products
- Since 2020, the definition has been that the organization has adopted AI in at least 1 function.

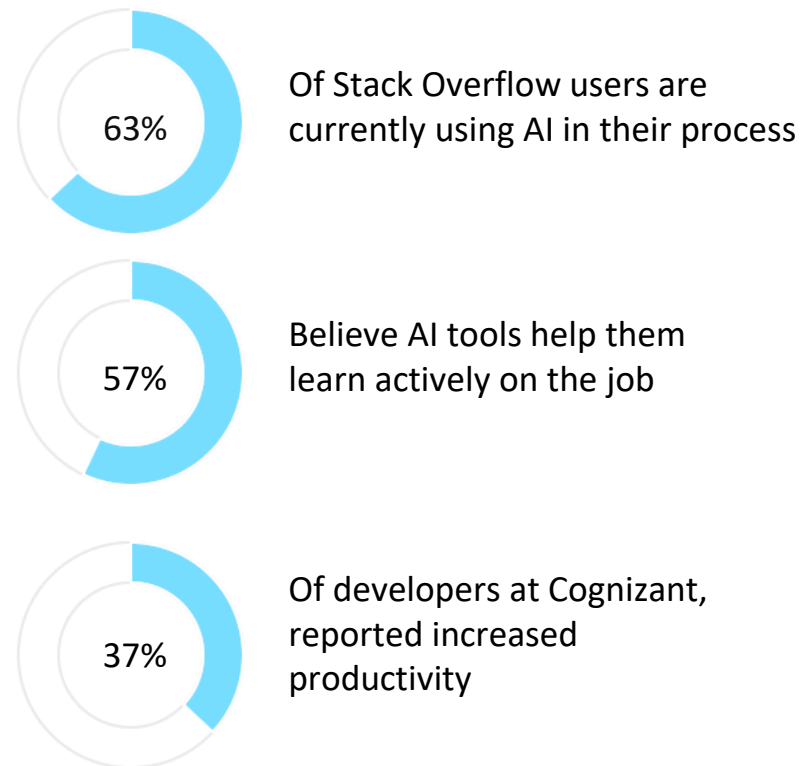
User Workflow Impact

How AI Tools Are Transforming Developer Productivity, Learning, and Output

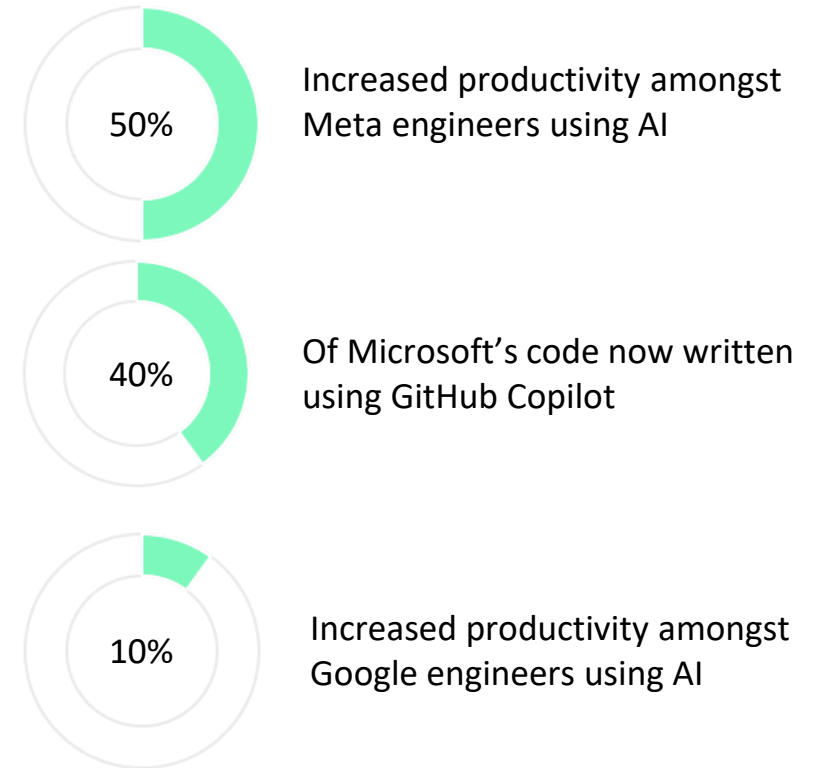
Developer Sentiment & Adoption



Uptake, Productivity & Wellbeing with AI



Coding & Task Completion Time



Competitive Landscape

AI coding market is segmenting fast across ecosystem giants, model labs, vertical stacks, and specialized IDE challengers.

Big Tech Ecosystem

- Criteria:** Backed by a major cloud or productivity platform; broad enterprise distribution and deep integration across developer tools
- Highlight:** GitHub Copilot (Microsoft): 1.3M paid users; now accounts for 20–30% of global code generation

Model Developers

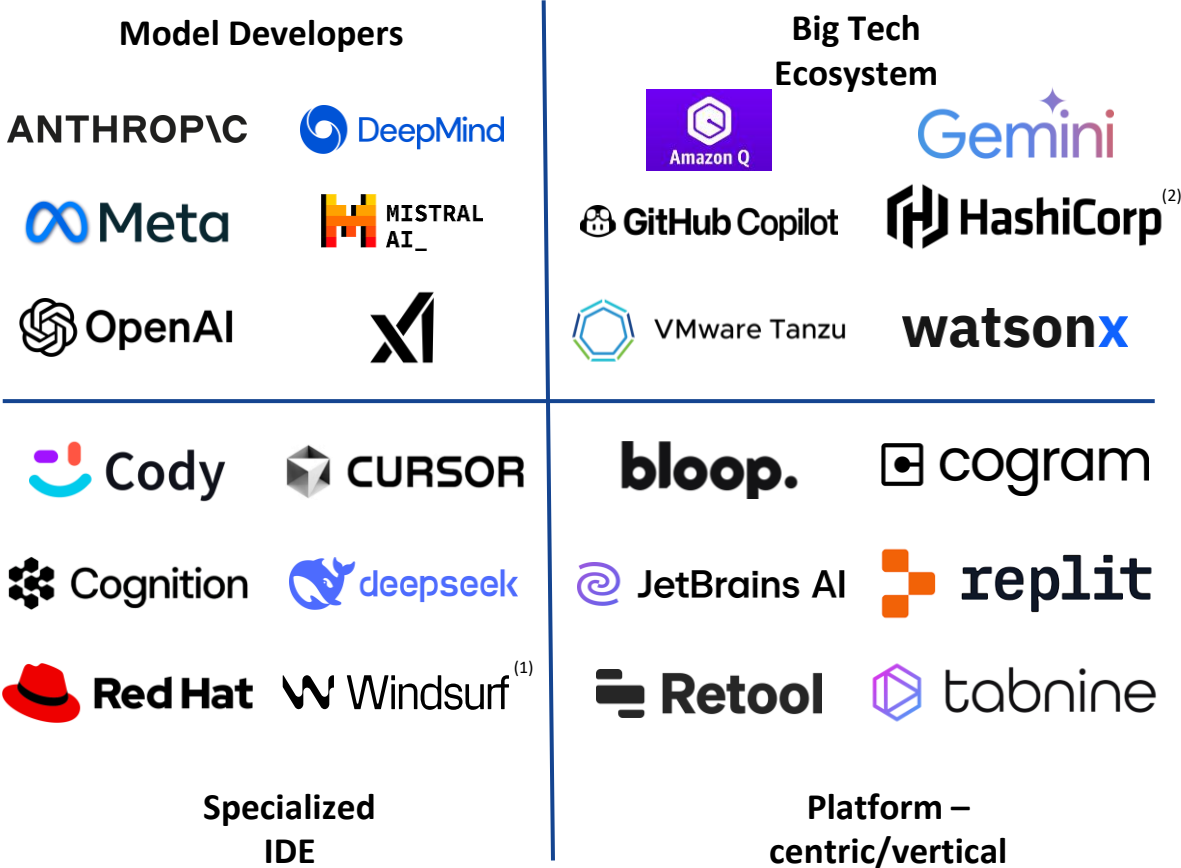
- Criteria:** Core focus on foundation model development; monetize via API access, licensing, or downstream developer tooling
- Highlight:** Anthropic: Powers interactive build sessions via Claude’s Artifact feature, merging coding and chat

Specialized IDE

- Criteria:** Purpose-built IDEs re-architected around AI-native workflows; emphasis on agentic coding, debugging, and full-stack control
- Highlight:** Cursor – Rebuilt from scratch; achieves 300% OSS growth, simulates senior developer reasoning

Platform-Centric / Vertical

- Criteria:** AI tools embedded within targeted platforms or user segments; often serve solo devs, education, or security-sensitive use cases
- Highlight:** Tabnine – Privacy-first AI assistant with strong adoption in security-focused verticals



Startup Heatmap

AI dev startups are clustering by funding stage, with new entrants scaling rapidly toward Series B and beyond.

Market Overview

- AI dev tools gaining traction with enterprise buyers
- ARR growth velocity (e.g., Cursor's \$0 → \$300M in <1yr) is breaking SaaS growth curve precedents by 5–10x
- Burn multiples are 2–4x higher than SaaS due to model costs

Funding Snapshot

- \$4B+ invested since 2022 in the AI coding space
- 78% of organizations increasing AI developer tool budgets

Seed to Series A

- Seed rounds at \$2–5M, Series A at \$10–25M
- Early traction needed to raise above-market rounds

Series B / Series C

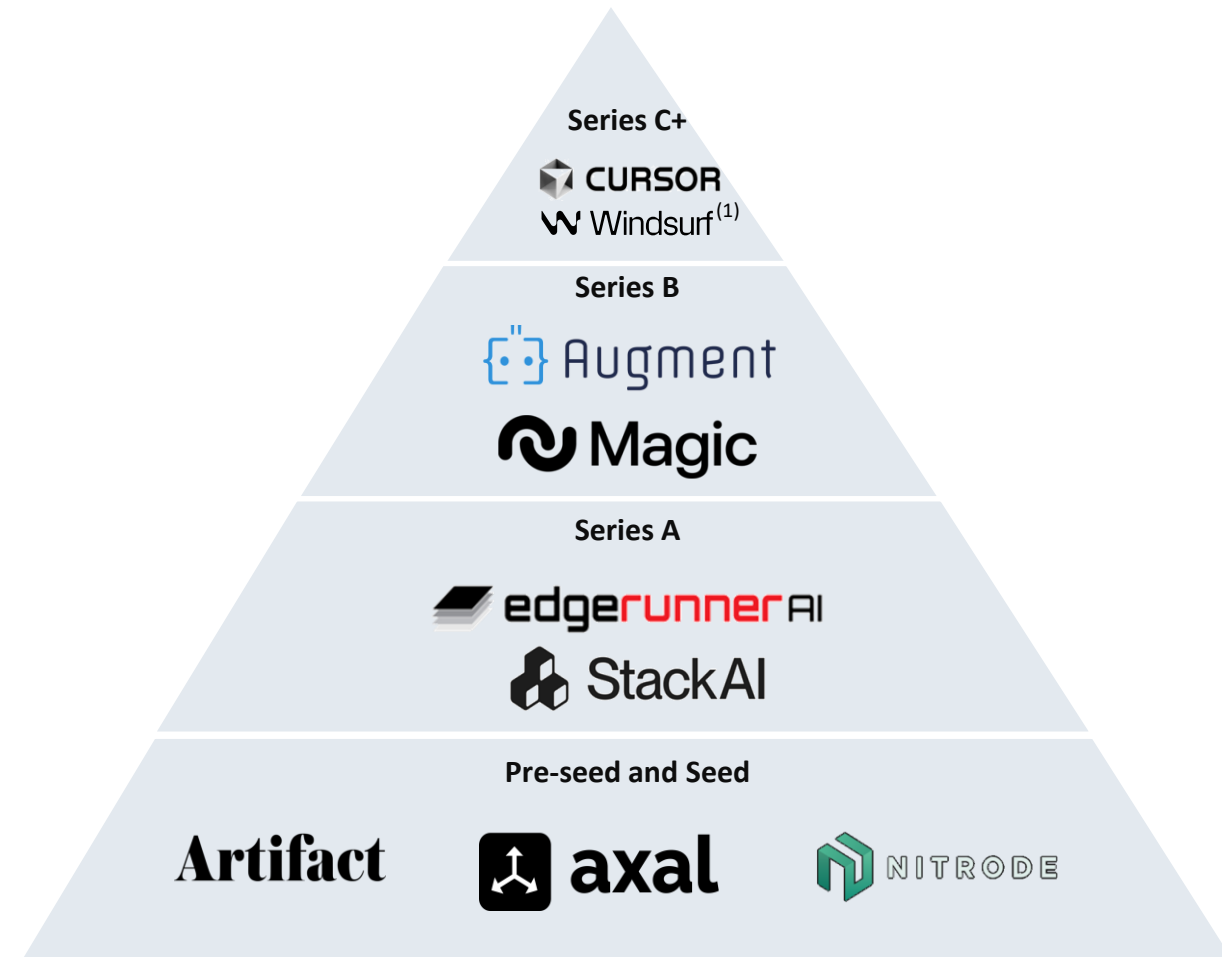
- Rounds now exceeding \$50M
- Capital used for global go-to-market and infrastructure scaling

Notable Newcomers

- Sweep, Continue, CodeGeeX, Augment

Emerging Global Activity

- CodeGeeX and others showing strong China-based innovation
- Open-source ecosystem supporting international dev growth



Prominent AI Strategies

The strategic moves driving ai's role in software development



- Gemini 2.5 Pro, accessible via AI Studio and Vertex AI, allows developers to generate code using natural language
- In benchmark tests, Gemini 2.5 Pro achieved a 63.8% success rate on agent-like coding tasks, significantly higher than GPT-4.5's 38%



- GitHub Copilot now has 1.3 million paid users and grew its enterprise subscriber base 30% QoQ, with 50,000 enterprise seats sold
- Microsoft is also embedding Copilot throughout Azure DevOps and Visual Studio, enabling end-to-end coding workflows, test generation, infrastructure scripting, bug detection, all aided by AI

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- As of April 2024, Claude has 18.9M monthly active users, trailing behind OpenAI's 540M
- Through Anthropic's new addition of Claude Code, they were able to increase revenue 5.5x, surpassing Cohere and Mistral in enterprise deal volume

Gemini 2.5 :
63.8%



GPT 4.5:
38%



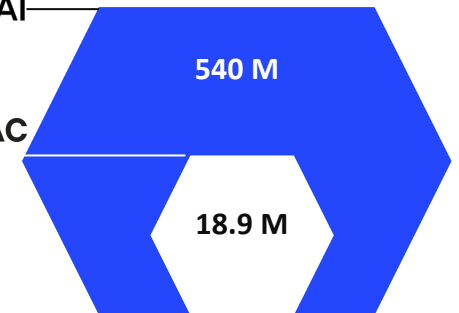
1.3M
Paid Users



50,000
Enterprise Seats



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AI Coding Major Players



AI-native coding tool turning text prompts into full-code projects with deep context and agent workflows.

Company Overview

- Founded in 2022 in San Francisco by MIT graduates
- Raised \$1B+ from a16z, Thrive, Accel, OpenAI Fund
- Valuation jumped from \$2.5B in Jan 2025 to \$9.9B in May 2025
- Released Cursor 1.0 AI Code Editor in June '25
- Developed a full-code AI IDE designed to replace traditional IDEs

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Code Recall: Cursor remembers file context across sessions
- Smart Shell Actions: One-click execution of terminal tasks
- Privacy concerns over long-term session memory in team environments

Key Integrations



Product and Services Overview

Starter	Everyday AI	Full Agent	Full Platform
Hobby	Pro	Teams	Enterprise
Free	\$20/month	\$200/month	Custom
<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Tab autocomplete,▪ basic AI chat,▪ 2K completions/mo.</div>	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unlimited tabs,▪ \$20 model credits/mo.▪ bug agent access.</div>	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Full-agent workflows▪ Advanced integration▪ Automation capability</div>	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ SLA-backed▪ On-premise▪ Priority support</div>

Management team



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CEO

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Sualeh Asif
CPO

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Arvid Lunnemark
Head of R&D

MIT

Windsurf (acquired by Cognition Labs)



AI coding agent that autonomously builds, edits, and understands full-stack software from natural language prompts.

Company Overview

- Founded in 2021, headquartered in Mountain View, California
- Raised \$200M+ from General Catalyst, Kleiner Perkins, Greenoaks
- Launched Codeium Plugin Oct 2022 and Windsurf Editor in Nov 2024
- Google hired Windsurf executives and key members as part of \$2.4B licensing deal; Cognition announced acquisition of rest of Windsurf

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Cascade Memories: AI retains context across coding sessions
- Automated Terminal Commands: Intelligent command execution
- Privacy concerns over persistent context memory in enterprise settings

Partnership & Integrations



Product and Services Overview

Code Autocomplete	Design to Code	Slack Workflows	Stripe Integration
Basic	Pro	Teams	Enterprise
Free	\$15/month	\$30/month/seat	Custom
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Rapid code autocomplete▪ AI chat▪ Unlimited usage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Extra LLM credits▪ Access to Supercomplete	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Admin dashboards▪ Seat management, Personalization	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ On-prem or VPC deployments▪ Model fine-tuning

Management team



Varun Mohan
Founder & Former CEO
Ex-Palantir, MIT



Jeff Wang
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Ex-Salesforce, UC Berkeley



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Founding Team
Ex-Google, Caltech

AI-powered codebase copilot that navigates, explains, and modifies complex enterprise code using natural language

Company Overview

- Founded in 2023, focusing exclusively on AI-native coding agents
- Built by former engineers from top AI labs and tech companies
- Offers deep IDE integration with VS Code, JetBrains, and Vim
- Raised venture backing and emphasizes security (SOC 2 compliant)
- Competes directly with Cursor and Windsurf in AI developer tools

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Remote Agents: Parallel tasks like refactoring and docs generation
- Agent Memory: Learns your style to ensure consistent suggestions
- Unclear handoff between agent and developer risks workflow friction

Key Integrations



Product and Services Overview

Context Engine	Remote Agents	Team Tools	Enterprise Suite
Community	Developer	Pro	Enterprise
Free	\$50/month	\$100/month/seat	Custom
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unlimited code completions▪ 50 messages/mo.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Run agents in cloud, 600 messages/mo.▪ VS Code extension	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 1.5k msg/month▪ Slack support▪ Team admin tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Unlimited usage▪ SSO/SCIM▪ SOC 2 Type II

Management team



Scott Dietzen
CEO

CMU PhD



Igor Ostrovsky
Co-Founder/Architect

Ex-Microsoft



Guy Gur-Ari
Co-Founder/Scientist

Ex-Google

AI software engineer built to turn natural language into production-grade code with long-context reasoning

Company Overview

- Founded in 2022 and headquartered in San Francisco, California
- Started by Eric Steinberger, and Sebastian De Ro
- Raised \$460M+ from Atlassian Ventures, Jane Street, Sequoia
- OpenAI rumored talks with Magic for strategic partnership June 2025
- Launched CLI Coding Tool in Sept '23 and Magic Dev Assistant in Jan '24

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Long-Term Memory: Magic retains logic and task state across sessions
- AI Shell Access: Executes shell commands through natural language
- Privacy concerns over persistent code memory in developer workflows

Key Integrations



Product and Services Overview

Autocompletes

Alpha

Free

- Frontier-scale AI autocomplete
- Ultra-long context

Ultra-content

Pro

\$20-50/month

- UI-to-code (React)
- Long-context synthesis

Collaborative IDE

Teams

TBD

- Collaborative IDE
- Shared memory
- Code review tools

Custom Scale

Enterprise

Custom

- Private hosting
- Compliance-ready infra
- Model tuning

Management team



Eric Steinberger
Co-Founder & CEO

Ex-Meta



Sebastian De Ro
Co-Founder & CTO

Ex-Software Engineer



Manish Gupta
Member of Technical Staff

Ex-Google, Meta

Advancing aligned AI to make systems more helpful, honest, and safe across tools, teams, and workflows

Company Overview

- Founded in 2021 and headquartered in San Francisco, California
- Started by Dario Amodei, Daniela Amodei, former OpenAI staff
- Secured initial funding from FTX, later backed by Google and Amazon
- Claude MCP saw 8M+ weekly downloads, used by Replit, Snowflake
- Released Claude Code preview in Feb ‘25 and full launch in May ‘25

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Claude evolving toward multi-step planning and autonomous debugging
- Deepening integrations with VS Code, JetBrains, and internal tooling
- Balancing code generation power with robust sandboxing and oversight

Partnership & Integrations



Product and Services Overview

Free Trial	Everyday Use	Heavy Usage	Full Access
Starter	Pro	Max	Enterprise
Free	\$17/Month	\$100/Month	Custom
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Limited access to models▪ Basic web search capabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Access to more Claude models and Claude coding/deep search	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Higher output on all tasks▪ Early access to Claude features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Enhanced context window▪ SSO, SCIM▪ Audit logs for Claude

Management team



Dario Amodei
Co-Founder, CEO

Princeton PhD, Ex-Google



Daniela Amodei
Co-Founder, President

Ex-OpenAI, Stripe



Jared Kaplan
Co-Founder and CSO

Harvard PhD, Professor at JHU

Gemini Code Assist



Google’s context-aware code assistant for generation, debugging, and cloud-integrated workflows.

Company Overview

- Developed by Google DeepMind and integrated with Google Cloud
- Launched in 2023 as a member of the Gemini AI model family
- Supports major IDEs like VS Code and JetBrains via extensions
- Provides seamless integration with Google Cloud services
- Competes with Amazon Q and GitHub Copilot in AI coding tools

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Expanding agent-driven workflows across core Google Cloud products
- Deeper IDE integration with smarter context-aware suggestions
- Limited IDE integration may hinder adoption by core developers

Key Integrations



Product and Services Overview

IDE Completion	Cloud IDE Assist	Enterprise Integrations	Developer Bundle
Individual	Standard	Enterprise	Developer
Free	\$22/month	\$54/month	Custom
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Up to 180K completions▪ 240 chats/mo. in IDEs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Adds cloud integrations▪ Enhanced security	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Private repo support, Apigee▪ Advanced Cloud Assist	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Cloud credits▪ Hands-on labs▪ Sandbox tools

Management team



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CTO of Google

Ex- IBM, UC Berkeley



Demis Hassabis
CEO of DeepMind

UCL PhD



Josh Woodward
Head of Gemini

Oxford PhD



Amazon’s AI coding assistant for developers, deeply integrated with AWS tools and workflows.

Company Overview

- Launched in 2023 by AWS under the Amazon Q platform
- Operates across IDEs, CLI, and core AWS services
- Recently announcing Kiro, an agentic IDE designed for code production
- Supports Java/.NET code transformation workflows
- Competes with Gemini, Copilot, and Cursor tools

Future Roadmap and Considerations

- Expanding agent capabilities throughout the AWS developer ecosystem
- Broader IDE coverage with improved inline interactions
- Tightly coupled with AWS, limiting appeal outside the ecosystem

Partnership & Integrations



Product and Services Overview

IDE Suggestions	Agentic Tasks	Code Transformation	Enterprise Admin
Basic	Basic	Pro	Pro+
Free	Free	\$19/month	\$39/month
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Inline IDE & CLI suggestions50 chat interactions/mo.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Development agents like refactoring, tests10 invocations/mo.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Java/.NET transformations: Free up to 4k lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Includes admin toolsPolicies, analytics, IP indemnity

Management team



Mukesh Karki
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Ex-Microsoft



Matt Garman
CEO of AWS

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Future Outlook



Key Trends to Watch

Emerging forces shaping the future of ai-assisted software development

Key Market Drivers

1 Prompt-Based Coding Interfaces

- Tools such as Cursor, Copilot, and Gemini are enabling developers to write code using natural language.
- Anthropic CEO Dario Amodei predicts that, by next year, AI may be responsible for generating up to 90% of new code

2 Autonomous AI Code Agents

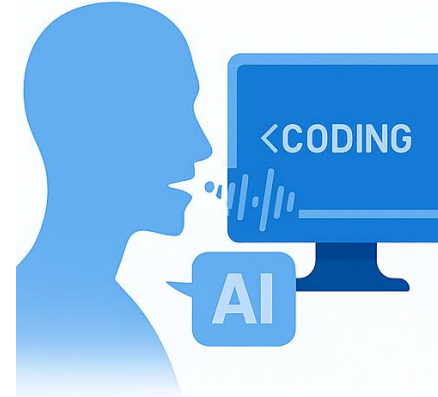
- Agentic software is rapidly advancing toward fully automating multi-step developer tasks, including debugging and automated pull requests.
- According to a GitHub public outlook from 2025, agent-based development workflows are expected to become standard practice within two years

3 Mega-Round Funding Surge

- AI sector investment grew by 51% quarter-over-quarter in early 2025. Major fundraises included \$40 billion for OpenAI, \$3.5 billion for Anthropic, and \$2 billion for Safe Superintelligence.
- Analysts anticipate continued record-breaking investment as competition around infrastructure and foundational AI models intensifies

4 Enterprise-Grade AI Security

- AI tools increasingly offer advanced security and compliance features, including granular audit logging
- Gartner predicts that by 2026, over 60% of enterprise software teams will require AI to meet formal security and governance standards



01 PROMPT-BASED CODING INTERFACES



02 AUTONOMOUS AI CODE AGENTS



03 MEGA-ROUND FUNDING SURGE



04 ENTERPRISE-GRADE AI SECURITY

Implication for Investors / Operators

AI coding is entering its platform wars—distribution, pricing, and adjacent tooling will define the winners

Consolidation Around Model Access & Distribution



- Big cloud players (MSFT, Google, AMZN) embedding AI coding in their stacks
- Standalone tools need differentiation on UX or niche features
- M&A likely as platforms absorb coding startups (e.g., GitHub)
- Distribution deals are key for go-to-market

Cloud giants embed AI, startups must differentiate

Pricing pressure as open-source models improve:



- Free tiers ballooning (e.g., Gemini 180K vs GitHub 2K)
- Open models (DeepSeek, Llama) nearing closed-source quality
- Pricing shifting from seat-based to usage/value-based
- Margins tightening as competition grows

Free and open models drive pricing pressure

Opportunities in tooling adjacent



- Security tools (vuln/IP scans) now table stakes
- Testing & docs automation gaining traction
- Infra tuned for AI (custom chips, fast inference)
- Integration tools linking AI coding to dev workflows

Tooling shifts from code generation to integration.

Looking into the Future

Speculative visions shaping the next decade of AI-powered development

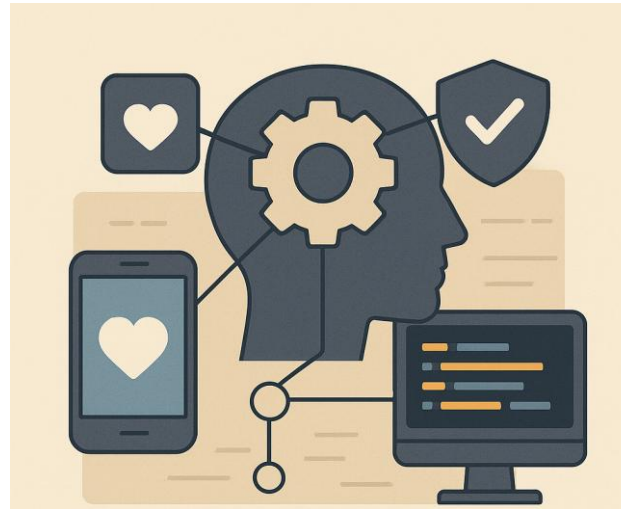
01 AI Humanoid Coding Assistants

- By 2035, AI-powered humanoid robots could autonomously code, test, and review within software teams.
- These “digital coworkers” might troubleshoot hardware-software issues and collaborate seamlessly with human teammates.



02 Decentralized Social Media Platforms

- Autonomous AI agents could build and manage decentralized, user-owned social media networks (future scenario).
- Such platforms may update and evolve codebases in real time, without reliance on human software developers



03 Sentient AI Development Environments

- Future coding may occur in immersive environments where developers speak or gesture to write code.
- Advanced IDEs might adapt to user mood, logic preference, and style, acting as evolving coding partners.



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