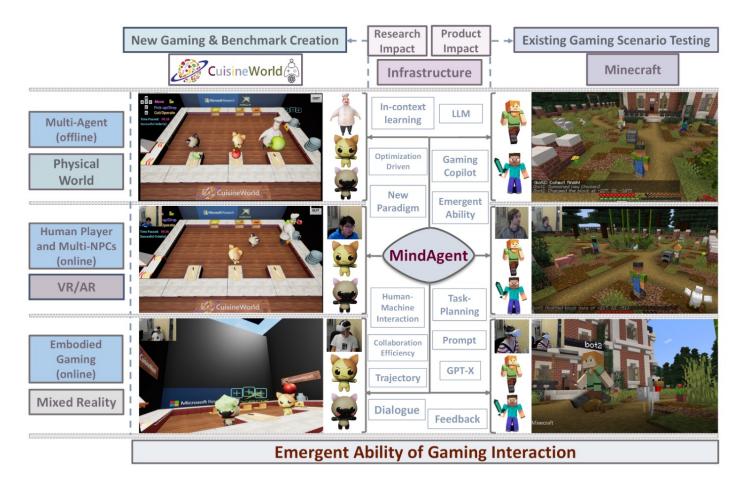
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Overview



Main Contribution

- A new gaming scenario and related benchmark based on a multi-agent virtual kitchen environment, CuisineWorld.
- Introduce **MindAgent**, which demonstrates the in-context learning multiagent planning capacity of LLMs and brings several prompting techniques that help facilitate their planning ability.
- Conduct extensive evaluations with multiple LLMs and prompting settings on the benchmark.
- Deploy the system into real-world gaming scenarios and demonstrate its capabilities in human-AI interactions. (using VR)

CuisineWorld

• Multi-agent text game.

Туре	Arguments	Description
goto	agent location	Move agent to location
get	agent location (item)	agent obtain item from location
put	agent location	agent put everything it holds to location
activate	agent location	agent turn on location
noop	agent	not dispatching agent

Table 2: Action space in CUISINEWORLD.

Benchmark	Multi-task	Object Interaction	Tool Use	Maximum Agents			Procedural Level Generation
ALFWorld (Shridhar et al., 2020)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	1	X	X	X
WAH (Puig et al., 2020)	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	2	\checkmark	1	X
TextWorld (Côté et al., 2019)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	1	X	×	\checkmark
Generative Agents (Park et al., 2023)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	25	X	×	\checkmark
EMATP (Liu et al., 2022)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	2	\checkmark	×	X
Overcooked-AI (Carroll et al., 2019)	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	2	\checkmark	\checkmark	X
HandMeThat (Wan et al., 2022)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	2	\checkmark	×	×
DialFRED (Gao et al., 2022)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	2	*	×	X
TEACH (Padmakumar et al., 2022)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	2	*	×	×
CerealBar (Suhr et al., 2019)	X	X	X	2	\checkmark	×	×
LIGHT (Urbanek et al., 2019)	\checkmark	X	X	1369	×	1	\checkmark
Diplomacy (Bakhtin et al., 2022)	×	×	×	7	\checkmark	\checkmark	×
CUISINEWORLD (Ours)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	4+	1	\checkmark	\checkmark

Table 1: Comparsion between CUISINEWORLD and other related benchmarks. **Multi-task**: The benchmark contains multiple different tasks. **Object Interaction**: Agents have to manipulate or engage with different items or environmental elements to achieve certain goals with irreversible actions. **Tool Use**: Completing tasks necessitates the use of specific tools by the agents. **Maximum Agents**: This denotes the upper limit of agents that can be present in a single experiment. **Collaboration**: Many tasks mandate teamwork and collaboration between different agents. **Human in-the-loop**: The framework allows humans to join the game and collaborate actively with the agents. **Procedural Level Generation**: There's flexibility in adding new tasks, making the game dynamic and adaptable. *: Notably, even though multiple agents can be present, the second agent is limited to communicating with the first agent. The second agent cannot interact with the environment in an active gaming capacity.

MindAgent

Within the prompt component, there are four distinct sub-components: recipes, general instructions, inference knowledge, and a one-shot demo.

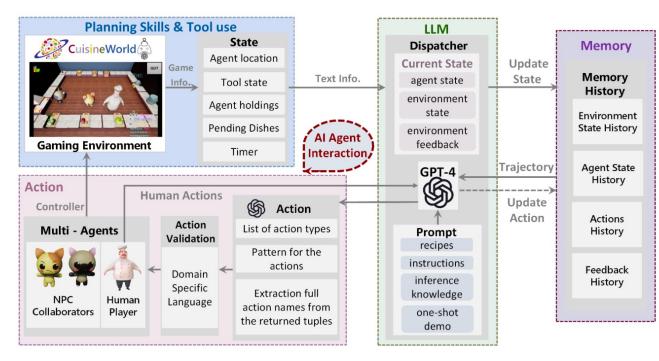
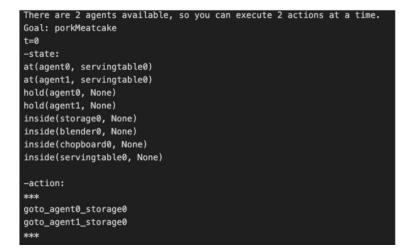


Figure 3: Our overview of our MINDAGENT architecture. **Planning Skill & Tool Use**: The game environment requires diverse planning skills and tool use to complete tasks. It emits related game information. This module also converts relevant game data into a structured text format so the LLMs can process it. **LLM**: The main workhorse of our infrastructure makes decisions, which is a dispatcher for the multi-agent system. **Memory History**: A storage utility that stores relevant information. **Action Module**, extract actions from text inputs and convert them into domain-specific language. Validate DSLs so they don't cause errors when executing.



One-shot demo

Recipes. outline the hierarchical procedure for preparing various dishes at the given level. They specify the necessary ingredients for each intermediate or final product, the appropriate tools required, and the expected outcome post-cooking.

Instructions. detail the foundational rules of CUISINEWORLD. These instructions delineate the array of actions agents can undertake within the game and enumerate the characteristics of every tool available in the current kitchen scenario. Moreover, they inform agents about the base ingredients retrievable from storage, as well as all potential intermediate products they can procure. Agents are also explicitly advised to remain cautious about feedback from the environment.

Inference Knowledge. houses insights and helpful hints for the agent. When utilized appropriately, these hints can guide agents to sidestep potential errors and enhance their collaborative efficiency.

One-shot Demo. presents a step-by-step demonstration of the preparation of a distinct dish, different from other dishes at the current level. This demonstration spans several time steps, each of which is incorporated as part of the prompt. The demonstration illustrates the major procedures for cooking one dish in CUISINEWORLD, including obtaining ingredients, putting ingredients into different tools, transporting intermediate ingredients, and delivering the final dish to the serving table.

MindAgent

Multi-agent task allocation

We aim to find valid and optimal task planning, scheduling, and allocations. We define q_{pim} and c_{pim} as quality and cost, respectively, for allocating agent *i* to work on the sub-task *m* for the *p* th task in the episode. Then the combined utility for the sub-task is:

$$u_{pim} = \begin{cases} q_{pim} - c_{pim}, & \text{if agent } i \text{ can execute sub-task } m \text{ for the } p \text{ th task in the episode} \\ -\infty. & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We define the assignment of sub-task m to agent i as

 $v_{pim} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{agent } i \text{ is assigned to sub-task m for the } p \text{ th task in the episode} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

The goal is to maximize the utility of the episode under a time constraint. Define the execution time for task m by agent i for the p th task in the episode as τ_{pim} , and the maximum time allowed to execute the task as T_{max} , we can express the task decomposition and assignment problem as follows:

$$\arg\max_{v} \sum_{p=1}^{P} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{p}} u_{pim} v_{pim}$$
(2)

Subject to:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \sum_{p}\sum_{i}\sum_{m}\tau_{pim}v_{pim} &\leq T_{max} \\ \sum_{i}v_{pim} &\leq 1 & \forall m \in M, \forall p \in P \\ v_{pim} &\in \{0,1\} & \forall i \in N, \forall m \in M, \forall p \in P \end{array}$

As pointed out by (Korsah et al., 2013), this problem cannot be solved in polynomial time. In this work, we tackle this problem by using large-language models.

Reformulate **q** or **r** in natural language. e.g. "collect finish"

Prevent bad assignment.

e.g. "agent ids cannot be the same"

Using state-action memory history as rewards are not immediately observable

Experiments

Overview. We conduct extensive experiments in CUISINEWORLD. We first introduce the experiment settings and present an analysis of empirical results in CUISINEWORLD. Our experiments focus on addressing the following research questions:

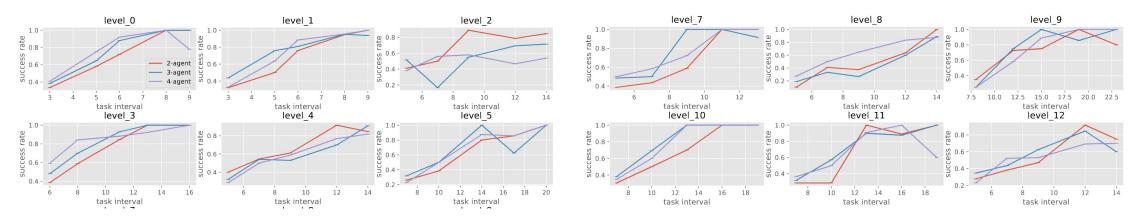
- **Q1:** How efficiently can the model dispatch multiple agents?
- Q2: Can the model dispatch agents for dynamic, on-the-fly goals across different tasks?
- Q3: How do various components of the input prompt influence the model's performance?
- **Q4:** How do other LLMs perform compared to GPT-4?
- **Q5:** To what extent can the existing methods collaborate with human users?
- **Q6:** What's the human perception of collaborating with numerous intelligent agents?

We perform experiments on CUISINEWORLD through OpenAI APIs and anthropic APIs. All GPT-4 experiments are using gpt-4-0613 model, and all chat-GPT experiments are using gpt-3.5-turbo-0613. For Llama 2 experiments, we use hugging face inference endpoints Llama-2-70b-chat-hf. We set the temperature for all experiments to 0.1 following (Wang et al., 2023a). We report the average results over three episodes.

Experiment 1: LLMS Dispatch Multi-Agents (NPC)

• Collaboration Efficiency

 $\mathbf{CoS} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{M} \frac{\# completed \ task \left[\tau_{\mathrm{int},(i)}\right]}{\# completed \ task \left[\tau_{\mathrm{int},(i)}\right] + \# failed \ task \left[\tau_{\mathrm{int},(i)}\right]},$

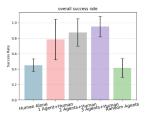


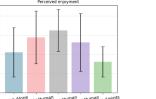
- LLM dispatcher can coordinate more agents to execute tasks more efficiently.
- LLM dispatcher struggles when there are fewer tasks

Experiment 2: Human and Multi-NPCs with LLMs

Hypotheses. The user study tests the following hypotheses:

- H1: Task productivity. Participants have higher productivity if collaborating with AI agents.
- H2: Task productivity with more agents. Participants have higher productivity if collaborating with more AI agents.
- H3: Perception of the robot. Participants would have higher perceived task efficiency and have more fun playing the game due to collaboration.

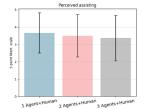




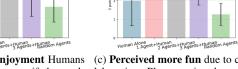
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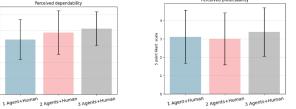
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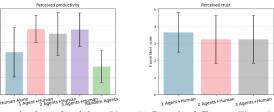
ness when collaborating with more agents more. agents, even though the task success rate is higher.



tell that the collaboration score is enjoy the game more if they col- laboration. Players enjoy the game higher if more agents are collab- laborate with the right number of more because of collaborating with competent agents.



(d) Perceived Assisting. There is (e) Perceived dependability. (f) Perceived Predictability. There no significant difference in terms When collaborating with more is no difference in terms of the of human perceptions of helpful- agents, players depend on the predictability of agents' behaviors when collaborating with more agents.



(g) Perceived productivity. Play- (h) Perceived Trust. There is no ers think collaborating with AI difference in terms of trust when agents will improve productivity. collaborating with more agents. Figure 5: Human Evaluations

Findings. We find significant effects on team collaboration success rate F(4, 55) = 28.11, p < 1000.001. Post-hoc comparisons using the Tukey HSD tests revealed that the team of the player with LLM agents achieves a higher success rate than a human working alone, p < 0.001 across different numbers of agents, confirming H1. Even though the success rate is generally higher when collaborating with more agents, there is no significant effect compared with collaborating with one agent, collaborating with two agents p = 0.774, or collaborating with three agents p = 0.231. We observe that human players have more fun playing the game when collaborating with LLM-powered intelligent agents than playing alone, p = 0.0126. Players feel that collaboration with intelligent agents leads to higher productivity, p = 0.0104, thus confirming H3.

Analysis and Emergent Gaming Abilities

• How do various components of the input prompt influence the model's performance?

2 agent	GPT-4	GPT-4 w/ few-step	GPT-4 w/o inference knowledge	GPT-4 w/o feedback
$ au_{\mathrm{int},(1)}$	10/26	8/26	8/25	4/25
$ au_{\mathrm{int},(2)}$	10/17	11/19	9/17	4/17
$ au_{\mathrm{int},(3)}$	11/13	11/13	10/12	4/12
$ au_{\mathrm{int},(4)}$	12/12	9/11	8/9	1/9
$\tau_{\rm int,(5)}$	11/11	10/10	9/9	5/7
CoS	0.764	0.710	0.714	0.311

Table 7: Additional Ablation

• Other LLM's performance

	2 agent			3 agent				4 agent				
	GPT-4	Claude-2	LLaMA	ChatGPT	GPT-4	Claude-2	LLaMA	ChatGPT	GPT-4	Claude-2	LLaMA	ChatGPT
$\tau_{\text{int},(1)}$	10/26	3/24	0	0/24	12/25	5/26	0	0/24	16/27	9/25	0	0/24
$\tau_{\text{int},(2)}$	10/17	3/16	0	0/15	14/20	4/16	0	0/15	16/19	4/15	0	0/15
$\tau_{\text{int},(3)}$	11/18	3/12	0	0/12	13/14	3/12	0	0/12	15/17	4/12	0	0/12
$\tau_{\text{int},(4)}$	11/13	3/9	0	0/9	10/10	5/11	0	0/9	12/13	6/11	0	0/9
$\tau_{\text{int},(5)}$	11/11	4/6	0	0/6	12/12	5/7	0	0/6	12/12	6/7	0	0/6
CoS	0.686	0.3125	0	0	0.822	0.372	0	0	0.848	0.473	0	0

Table 6: Performance of Other LLMs on Level 3

• Emergent Capabilities

Yet, despite this limited input, GPT-4's performance is remarkable. This underscores GPT-4's impressive **emergent zero-shot multi-agent planning** capabilities. Beyond simply completing unseen tasks, GPT-4 also demonstrates adaptability by dynamically prioritizing multiple different tasks as they arise, emphasizing its **emergent multi-task**, **on-the-fly planning** skills.

Emergent Multi-agent Reasoning Capabilities. Referencing Table 8, GPT-4 has the capability to deploy more agents based on demonstrations of fewer agents. For instance, GPT-4 can effectively dispatch four agents having only seen demonstrations involving two agents. Moreover, the efficiency of collaboration is higher as the number of agents increases, spotlighting its **emergent collaboration** prowess.

Novel Game Adaptation (Minecraft)

We define the following actions for the multi-agent system in our Minecraft game: 1) goto(agent, location); 2) killMob(agent, mobType); 3) mineBlock(agent, blockType); 4) putFuelFurnace(agent, fuelType), to put the item from agent's inventory to the furnace's bottom slot. 5) putItemFurnace(agent, itemType), to put the item from agent's inventory to the furnace's top slot; 6) takeOutFurnace(agent), take out the cooked item from the furnace 7) putInChest(agent, itemType);

The state space in Minecraft contains the following: 1) nearby blocks for each agent 2) nearby entities for each agent. 3) each agent's inventory 4) items inside the furnace 5) items inside the chest. 6) human player's inventory if a human player is involved.



ProAgent: Building Proactive Cooperative AI with Large Language Models

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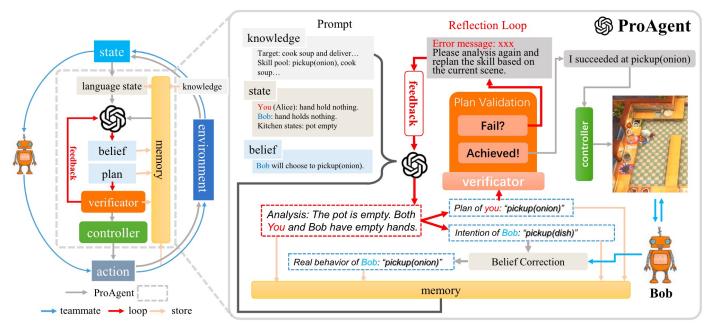


Figure 1: Overview of our proposed ProAgent framework including the coordination task workflow (**left**) and inner details of ProAgent pipeline (**right**). ProAgent commences its operation by translating the initial state into natural language. A large language model (Planner) adeptly analyzes the provided language state in conjunction with historical information stored in the Memory. This analytical process allows the model to discern the *intentions* of the teammate and devise a high-level *skill* for the agent accordingly. The predicted intention is validated through the Belief Correction mechanism, which involves comparing it with the ground truth behavior of the teammate agent. In case of skill failure, the Verificator is summoned to assess the skill's preconditions and provide a detailed explanation for the encountered issue. Should the need arise, ProAgent enters into a re-plan loop, initiating a recalibration process. On the other hand, if the skill is deemed viable, the Controller further dissects it into several executive actions, to be executed within the environment.

LLM agent for cooperative scenarios, zero-shot coordination problem.

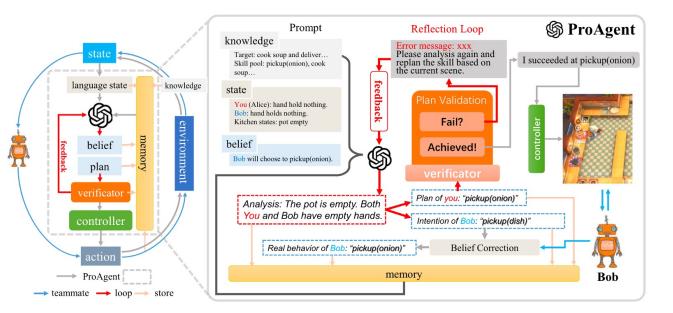
Environment: Overcooked-Al

Demonstrates the remarkable capability of ProAgent to interpretably analyze the current scene, explicitly infer teammates' intentions and dynamically adapt its behavior accordingly.

Methods

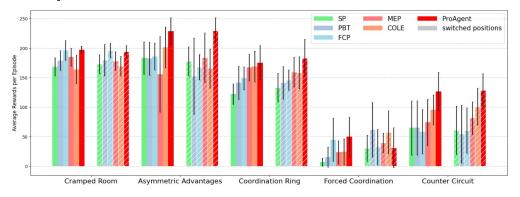
- Knowledge Library
- State Alignment
- Cooperative Reasoning and Planning. belief, plan (output by LLM)
- Belief Correction
- 1) Replace the predicted intention with the actual behavior of the teammate.
- 2) Provide an annotation alongside the original prediction to flag it as incorrect.
- Skill Validation
- Controller

The controller can be a rule-based path search algorithm or a policy trained by language-grounded RL.



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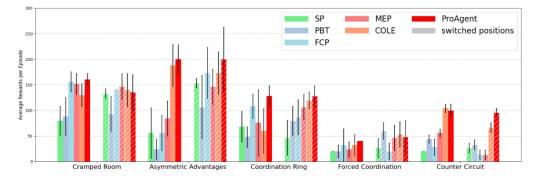


Figure 2: Performance with human proxy partners. In each layout, the reward bar represents the average performance of one algorithm collaborating with the unseen human proxy partners over 400 timesteps on five different random seeds, and the error lines represent the standard error. The hashed bars indicate the rewards obtained where the starting positions are switched. Zoom in for better visualization.

Figure 6: Cross-agent collaborative evaluation: the ZSC performance of ProAgent, COLE, FCP, MEP, PBT, and SP when paired with all the held-out populations. In each layout, the reward bar represents the average performance of one algorithm collaborating with all other algorithms, and the error lines represent the standard deviation. The gray and hashed bars indicate the rewards obtained where the starting positions are switched.

Lavout		ProAgent (ours)				
Layout	SP	PBT	FCP	MEP	COLE	Troagent (ours)
Cramped Room	168.5 ± 15.2	178.8 ± 16.5	196.3 ± 16.8	185 ± 15	163.8 ± 24.1	197.3 ± 6.1
Cramped Room	172.8 ± 16.1	179.8 ± 26.8	196 ± 11.9	178.2 ± 15.6	169.2 ± 16.8	194.2 ± 10.5
Asymmetric Advantages	183.3 ± 27.5	182.2 ± 27.9	185.7 ± 22.7	155.7 ± 63.9	201.3 ± 34.5	228.7 ± 23
	177.8 ± 24.6	152.3 ± 64.5	167.8 ± 21.3	184 ± 41.8	165.5 ± 33.3	229.8 ± 21.9
Coordination Ring	122 ± 17.2	141.3 ± 28	148.8 ± 19.4	167.2 ± 22.4	168.8 ± 26.1	175.3 ± 29
	133.3 ± 23.7	141.3 ± 27.5	145.7 ± 17.1	159.3 ± 25.3	158.3 ± 27.1	183 ± 31.7
Forced Coordination	6.7 ± 6.7	15.3 ± 17.1	44.7 ± 36.4	23.3 ± 19.8	24 ± 21.8	49.7 ± 33.1
	30.2 ± 21.9	61.7 ± 46	32.2 ± 30.2	39.3 ± 16.9	57.3 ± 36.4	31 ± 33.9
Counter Circuit	64.7 ± 45.8	64.7 ± 45.9	58.3 ± 37.5	74.3 ± 39.1	95.5 ± 25.2	126.3 ± 32.3
Counter Circuit	60.7 ± 40.8	54.3 ± 49.1	60 ± 38.3	81.5 ± 27.5	100.8 ± 31.1	128.5 ± 28.1

Table 1: Performance for all AI agent pairs. Each column represents the average reward and standard error of one algorithm playing with all others. For each layout, the first row represents the scenario where the agent takes the role of Player 0, and the AI partner takes the role of Player 1. The second row depicts the vice-versa scenario. The best results for each layout are highlighted in bold.