Machine Programming

Lecture 9 – Agentic Frameworks and Model Context Protocol

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Logistics – Week 5

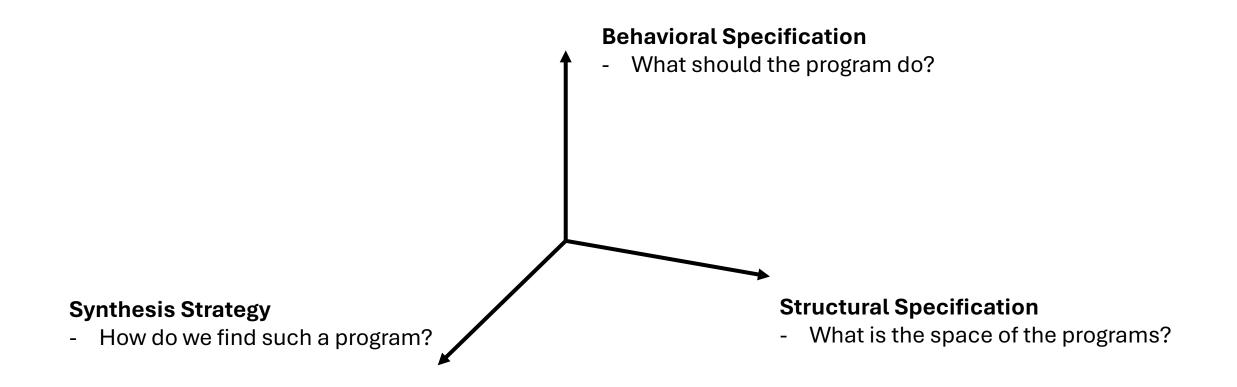
Assignment 2

- https://github.com/machine-programming/assignment-2
- Due next Thursday (Oct 2nd)
- Expected to take quite some time, so please start working on it early

Feedback form

- Follow this link to fill the questionnaire; worth 1% of extra credit
- Thanks to those who submitted already!
- Help us make the course better!

Dimensions in Program Synthesis



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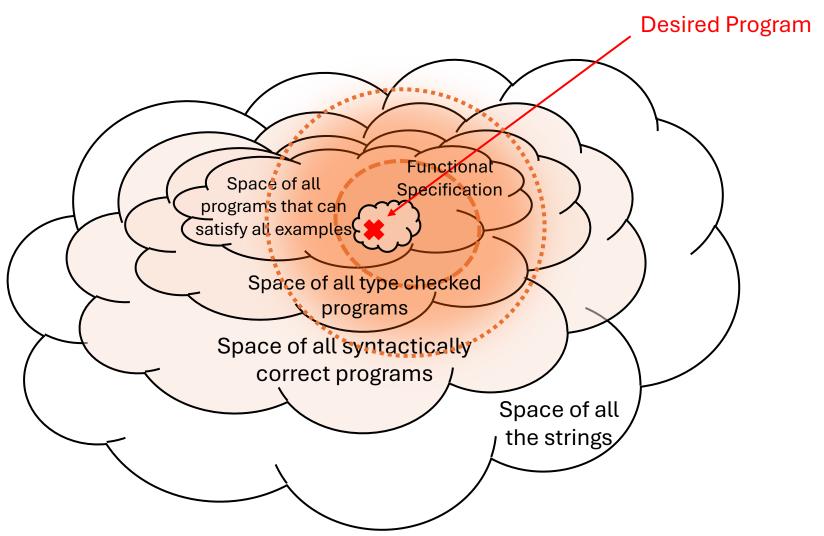
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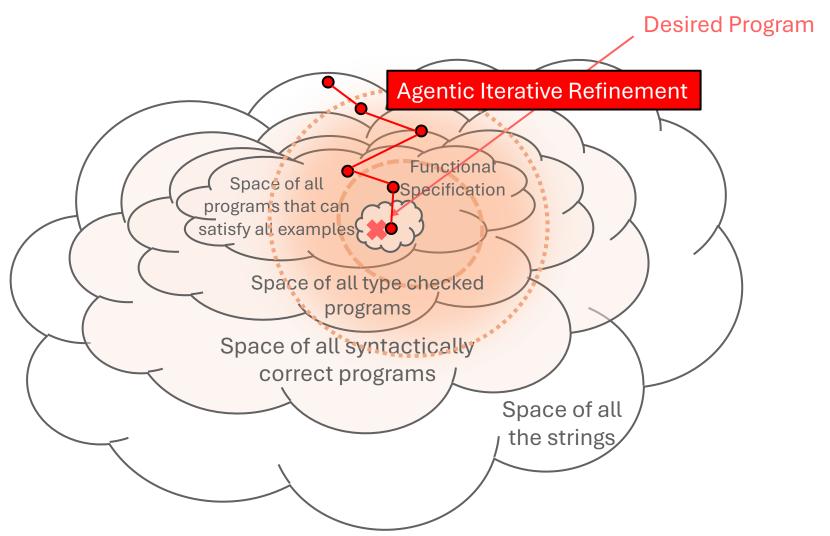
Agentic Frameworks

- Tool Use, MCP

High Level Picture



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Single-step Prompting

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Write this function:
def add(a, b):

Language Model Output

def add(a, b): return a + b
```

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Write this function:
  def add(a, b):
Output:
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Write this function:
  def reverse(s: str) -> str:
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  def reverse(s: str) -> str:
    output = ""
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```
client.chat.completions.create(
   model="gpt-4o-mini",
   messages=messages
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```

Prompting with a Conversation: Behind the Scene

Special Tokens denoting Roles

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Self-Reflection Prompting

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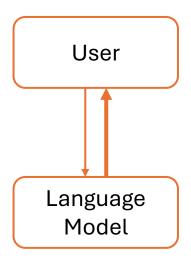
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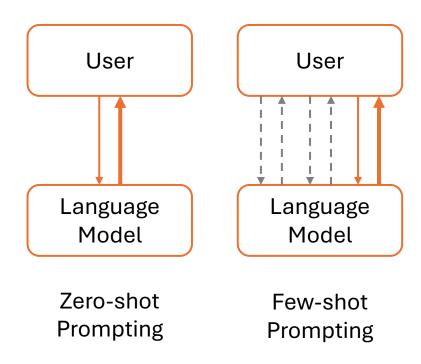
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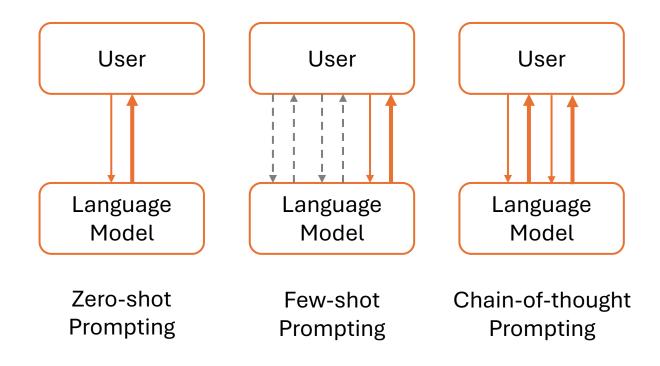
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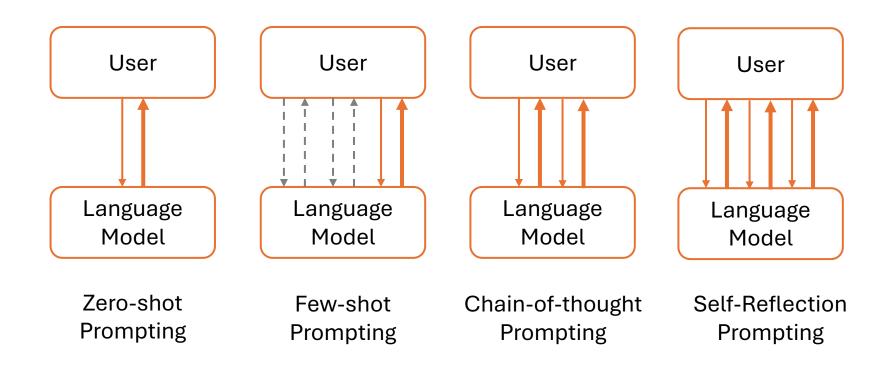
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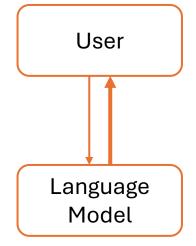
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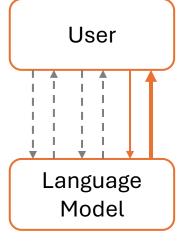




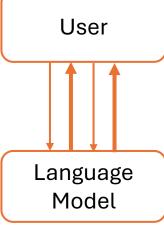
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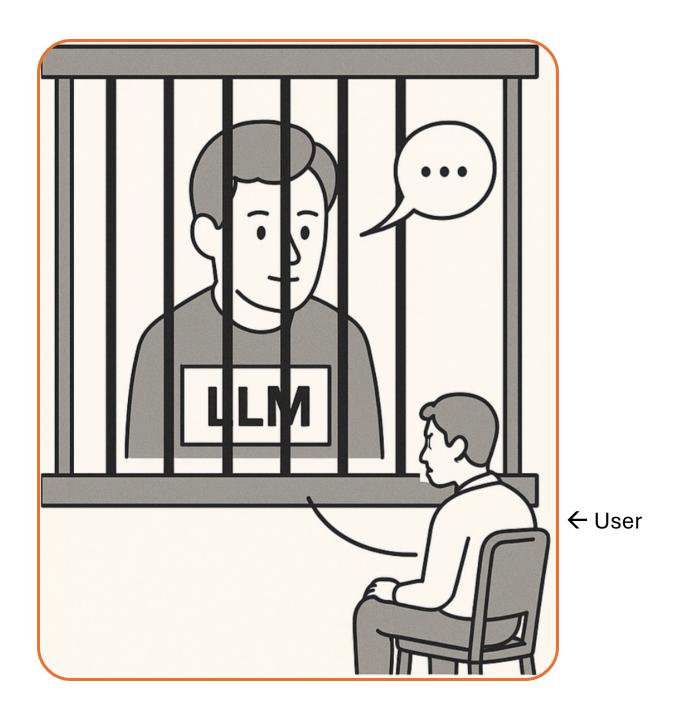
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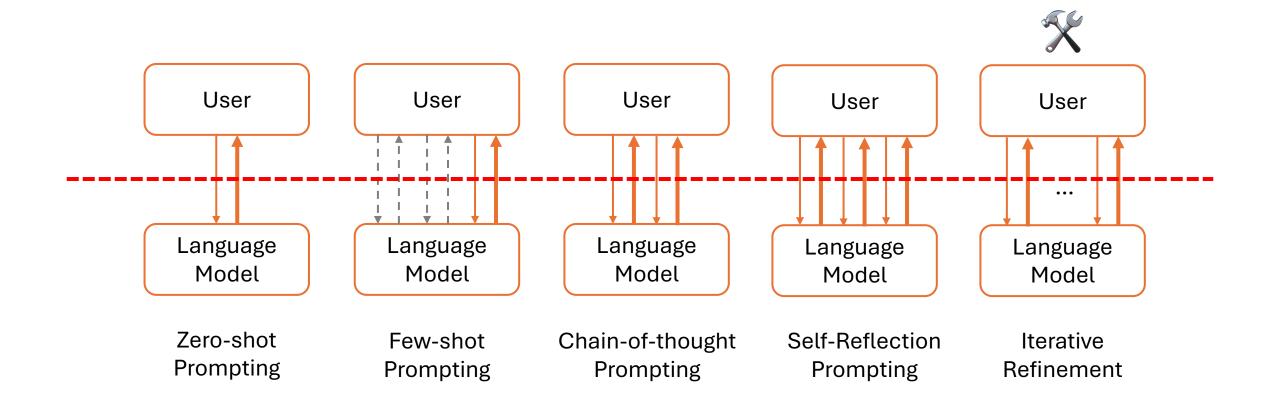


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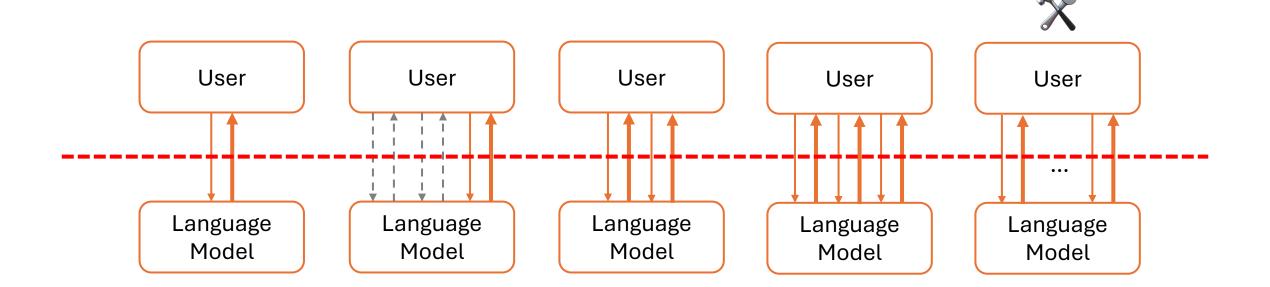
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Agentic Pipelines

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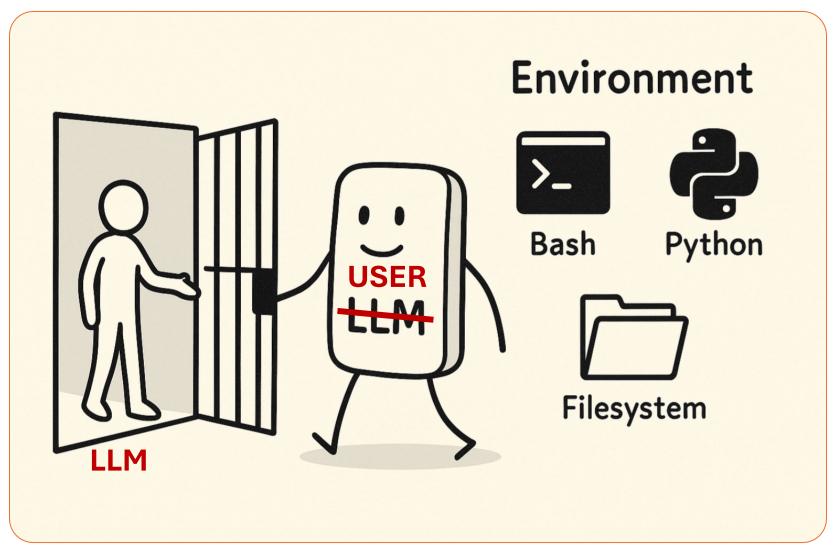
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(GPT-5 generated figure, which needs some corrections...)

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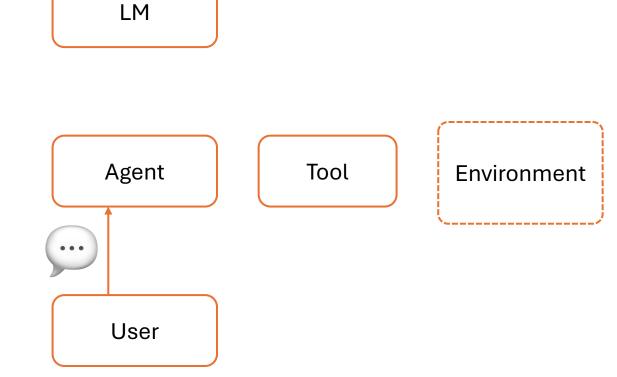
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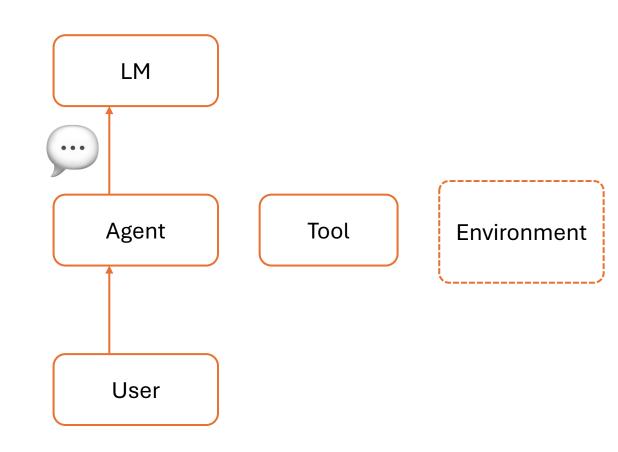
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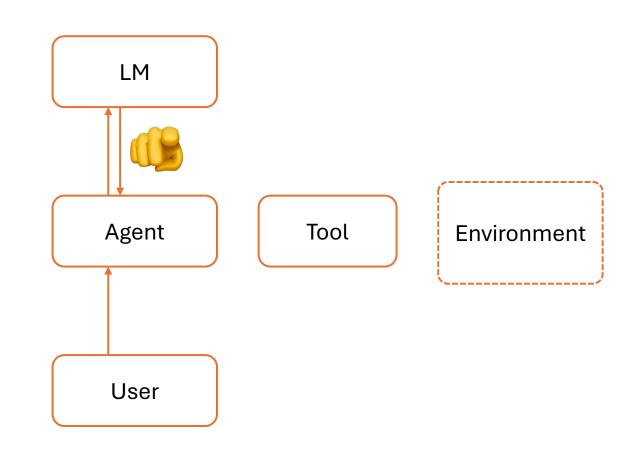
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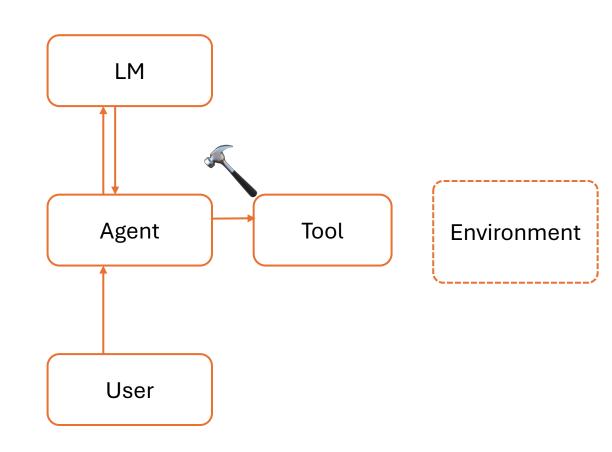
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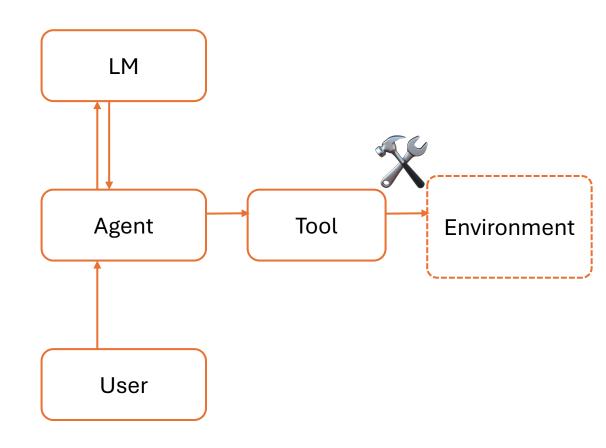
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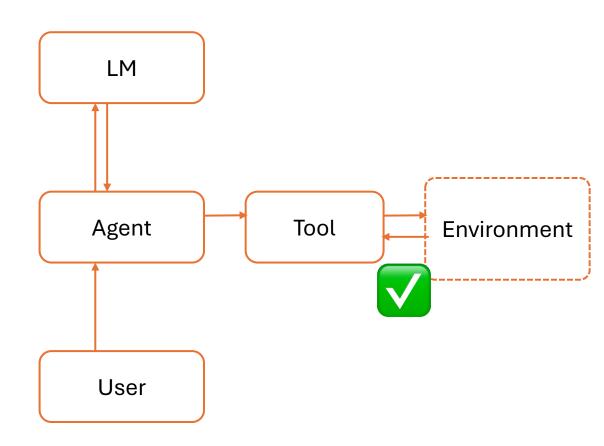
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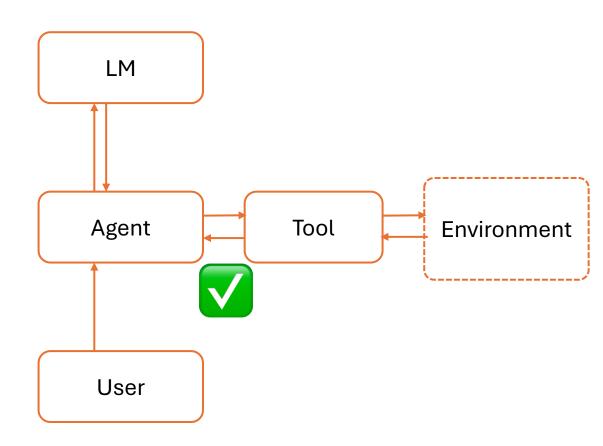
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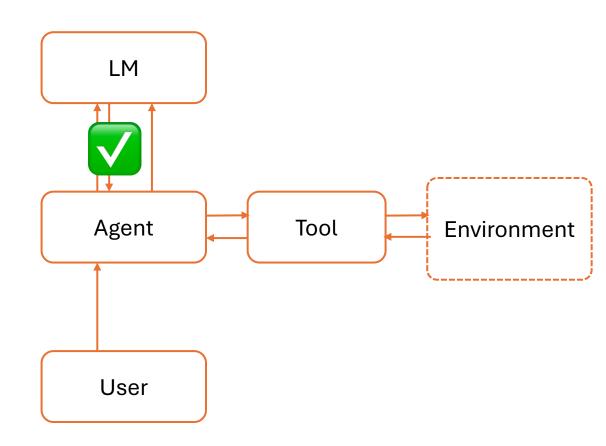
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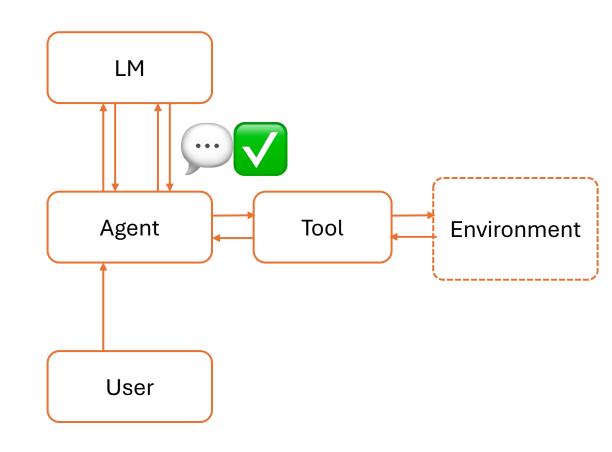
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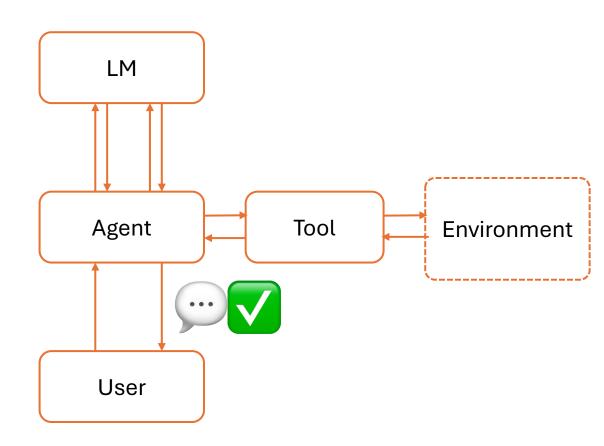
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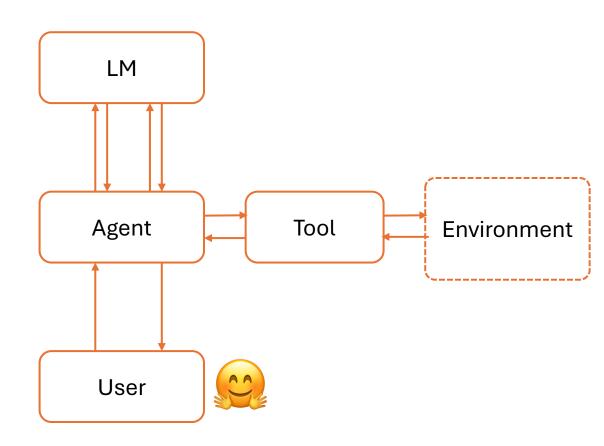
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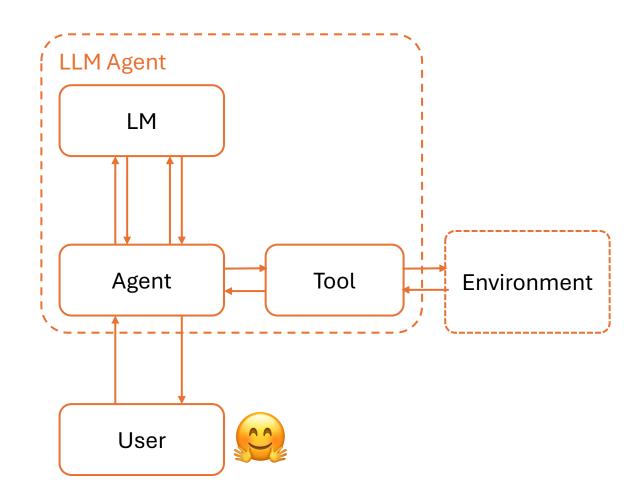
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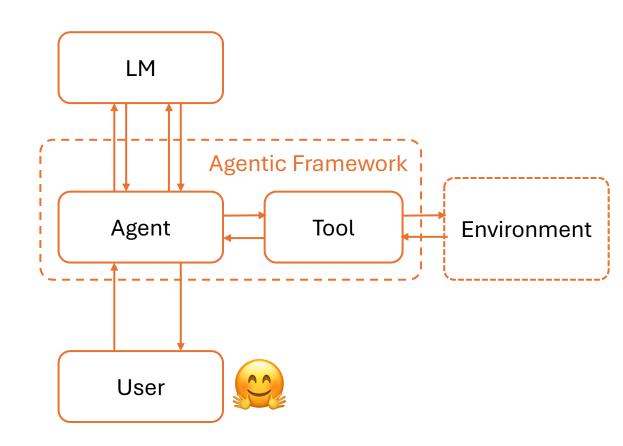
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Foundations of Tool Use

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Input: Joe Biden was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Output: Joe Biden was born in [QA("Where was Joe Biden born?")] Scranton, [QA("In which state is Scranton?")] Pennsylvania.

Input: Coca-Cola, or Coke, is a carbonated soft drink manufactured by the Coca-Cola Company.

Output: Coca-Cola, or [QA("What other name is Coca-Cola known by?")] Coke, is a carbonated soft drink manufactured by [QA("Who manufactures Coca-Cola?")] the Coca-Cola Company.

Input: x

Output:

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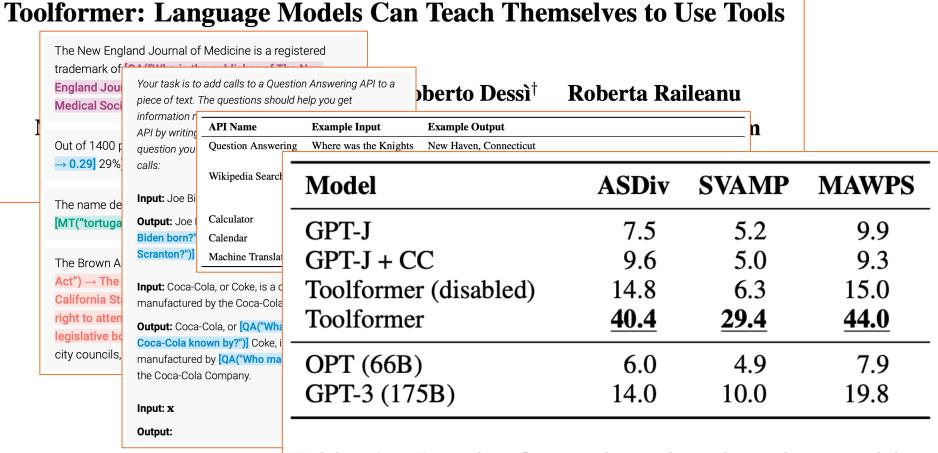
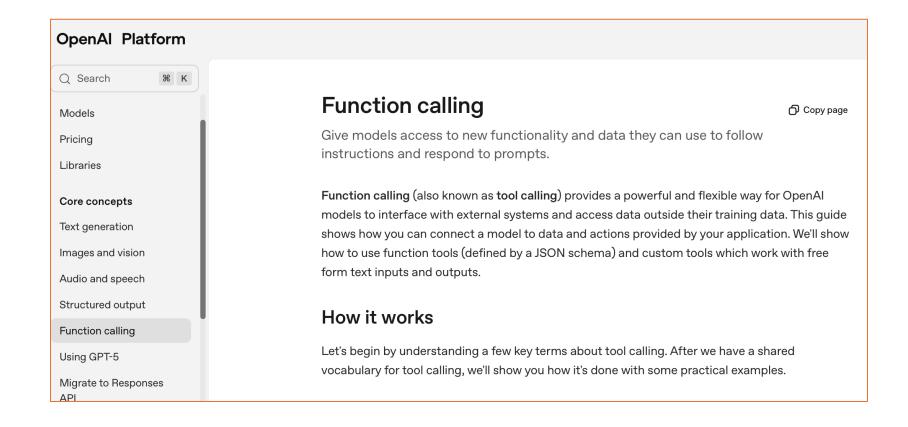
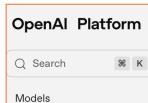


Table 4: Results for various benchmarks requiring mathematical reasoning. Toolformer makes use of the calculator tool for most examples, clearly outperforming even OPT (66B) and GPT-3 (175B).

Foundations of Tool Use





Pricing

Libraries

Core concepts

Text generation

Images and vision

Audio and speech

Structured output

Function calling

Using GPT-5

Migrate to Responses

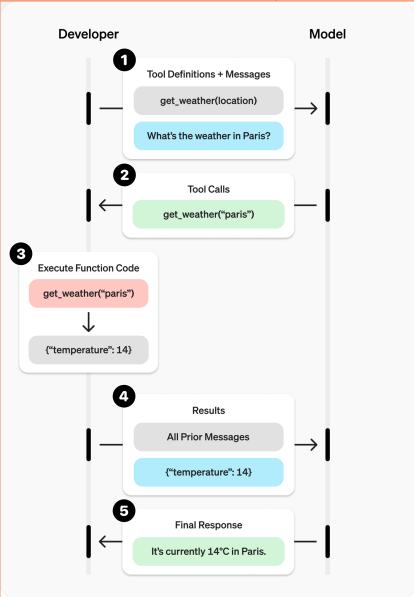
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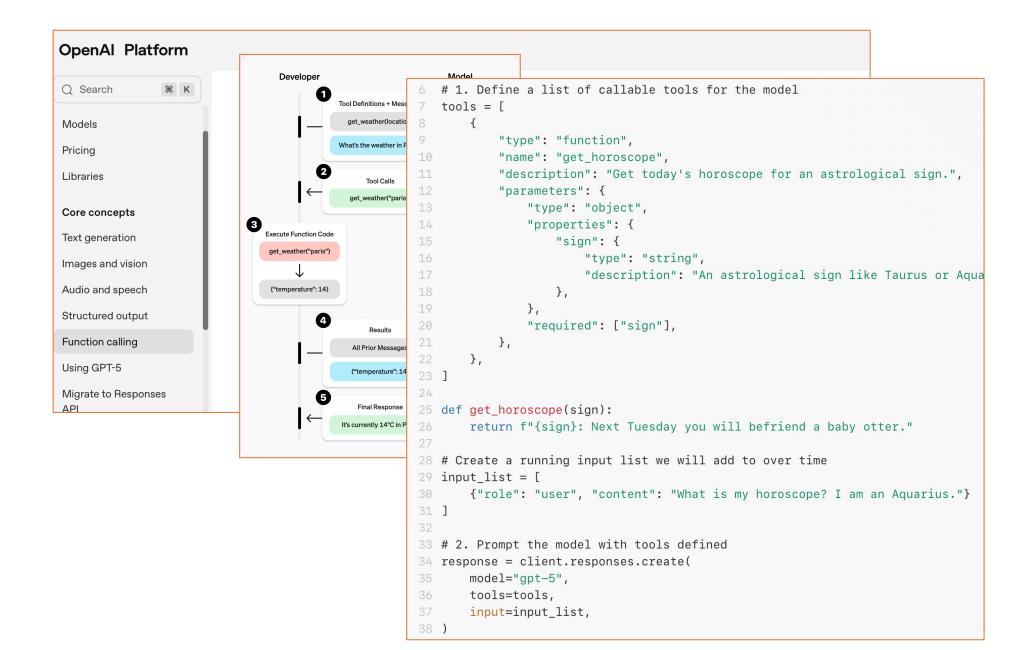
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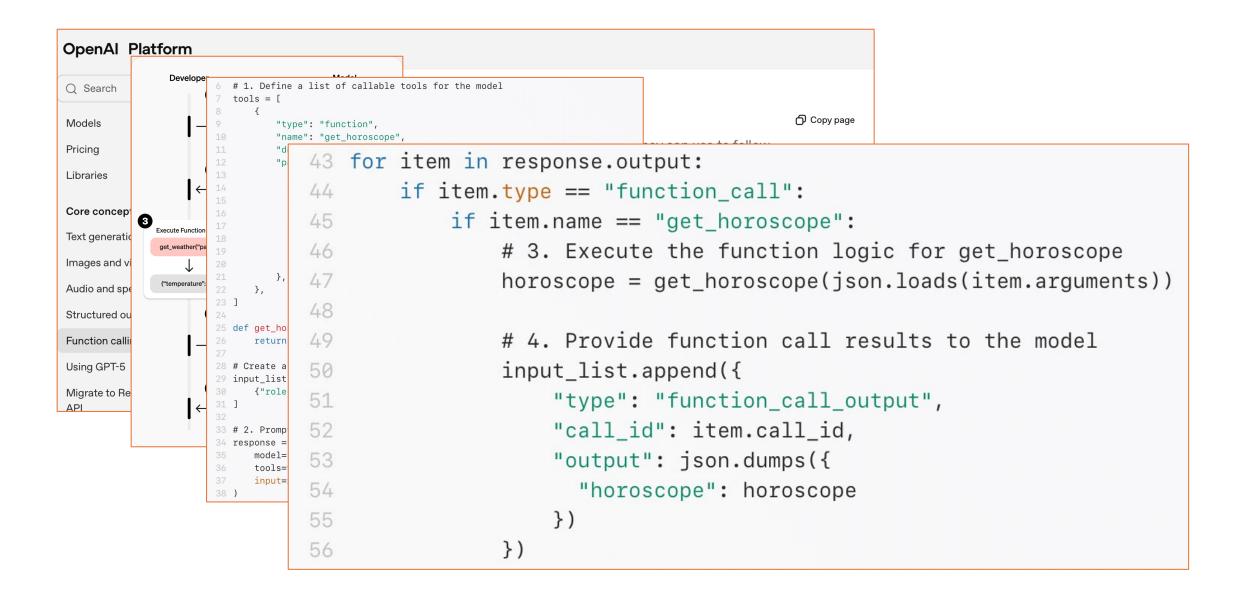
Function calling (also known as tool calling) provi models to interface with external systems and acc shows how you can connect a model to data and how to use function tools (defined by a JSON sche form text inputs and outputs.

How it works

Let's begin by understanding a few key terms abo vocabulary for tool calling, we'll show you how it's







Exemplars of Tool Use

VOYAGER: An Open-Ended Embodied Agent with Large Language Models

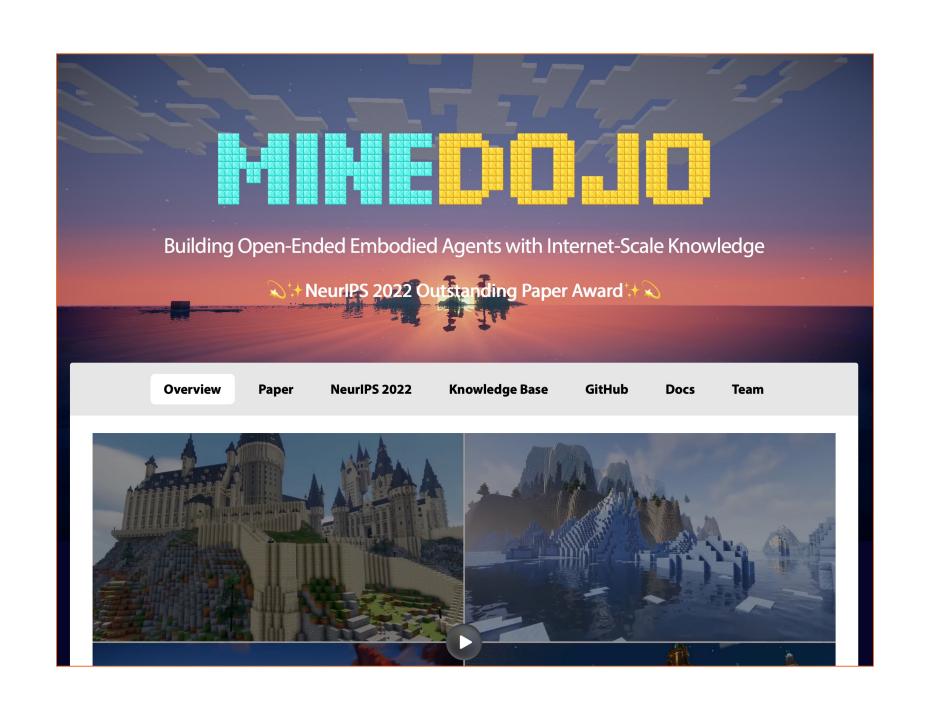
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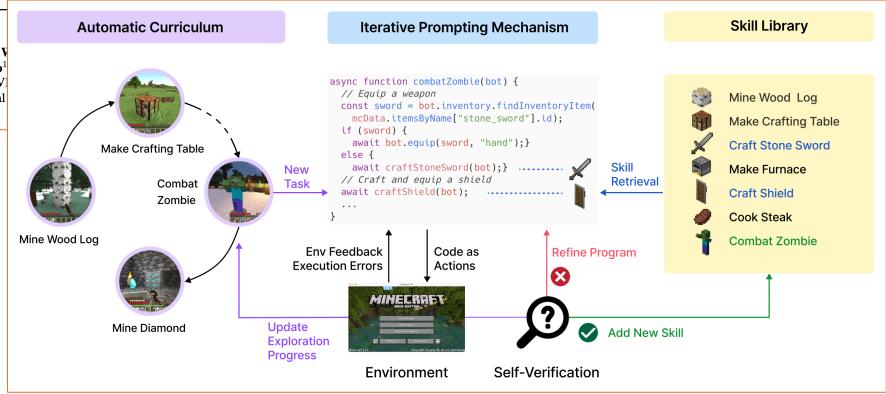
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Nearby entities: zombie

Equipment: 'stone_sword', 'shield'

Skill Library **Automatic Curriculum Iterative Prompting Mechanism** Inventory (5/36): {'oak_planks': 3, 'stick': Reasoning: Since you have a wooden pickaxe and some stones, it would be 4, 'crafting_table': 1, 'stone': 3, beneficial to upgrade your pickaxe to a stone pickaxe for better efficiency. Chac 'wooden_pickaxe': 1} Task: Craft 1 stone pickaxe. Biome: river Reasoning: Since you have a fishing rod in your inventory and you are near a river Inventory (4/36): {'sugar_cane': 3, 'paper': biome, it would be a good opportunity to catch some fish for food and experience. 3, 'fishing_rod': 1, 'wooden_pickaxe': 1} Task: Catch 1 fish. Nearby entities: pig, cat, villager Reasoning: Your hunger is at 0, which means you need to find food to replenish your hunger. Since there are pigs nearby, you can kill one to obtain raw porkchops. **Health**: 12/20 Hunger: 0/20 Task: Kill 1 pig. Inventory (6/36): {'furnace': 1, Reasoning: You have raw iron and coal, and you have a furnace. It's time to smelt 'stone_pickaxe': 1, 'oak_planks': 7, the iron to make iron ingots, which can be used to craft better tools and armor. 'crafting_table': 1, 'raw_iron': 4, 'coal': 1} Task: Smelt 4 raw iron. Reasoning: Since it's night and there's a zombie nearby, it's a good opportunity to Time: night

try killing the zombie now that you have a stone sword and a shield equipped.

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Automatic Curriculum

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Skill Library

Task: Craft 1 stone pickaxe.

Reasoning: Since you have a wooden pickaxe and some stones, it would be

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Environment Feedback

I cannot make stick because I need: 2 more planks

I cannot make stone shovel because I need: 2 more stick



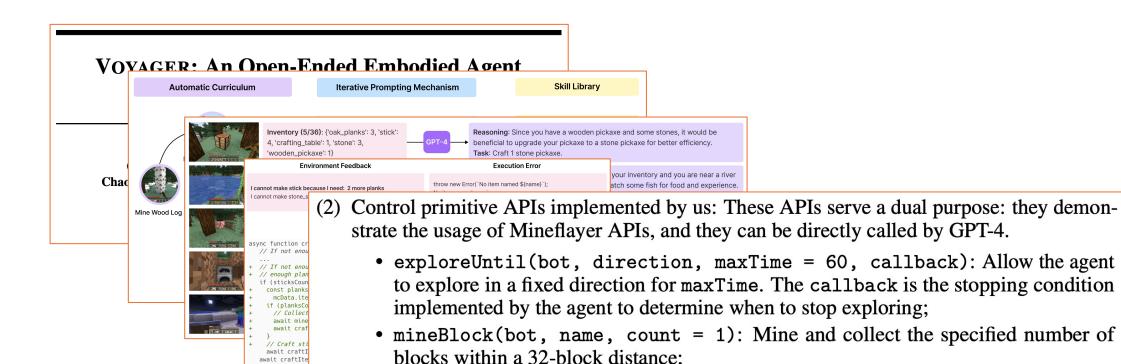
```
async function craftStoneShovelWithTable(bot) {
   // If not enough cobblestone, mine cobblestone
+ // If not enough sticks, check if there are
+ // enough planks in the inventory
   if (sticksCount < 2) {</pre>
    const planksCount = bot.inventory.count(
      mcData.itemsByName.acacia_planks.id);
     if (planksCount < 2) {
      // Collect or craft planks
       await mineBlock(bot, "acacia_log", 1);
       await craftItem(bot, "acacia_planks", 1);
    // Craft sticks using planks
     await craftItem(bot, "stick", 1);}
   await craftItem(bot, "stone_shovel", 1);
```

Execution Error

```
throw new Error('No item named ${name}');
No item named acacia axe
at line 18:await craftItem(bot, "acacia_axe", 1);
```



```
-async function craftAcaciaAxe(bot) {
+async function craftWoodenAxe(bot) {
   // Craft anacia planks and sticks
  // Place the crafting table near the bot
- // Craft an acacia axe using 3 acacia planks
- // and 2 sticks
- await craftItem(bot, "acacia_axe", 1);
- bot.chat("Acacia axe crafted.");
+ // Craft a wooden axe using 3 acacia planks
+ // and 2 sticks
+ await craftItem(bot, "wooden axe", 1);
+ bot.chat("Wooden axe crafted.");
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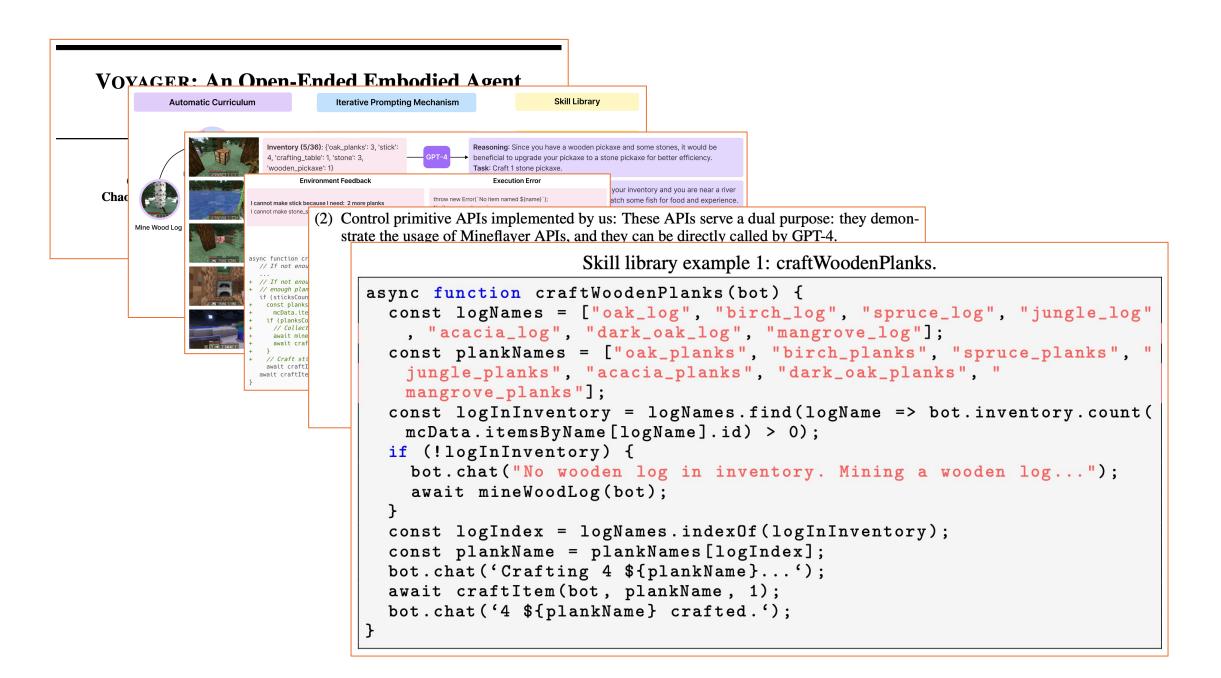


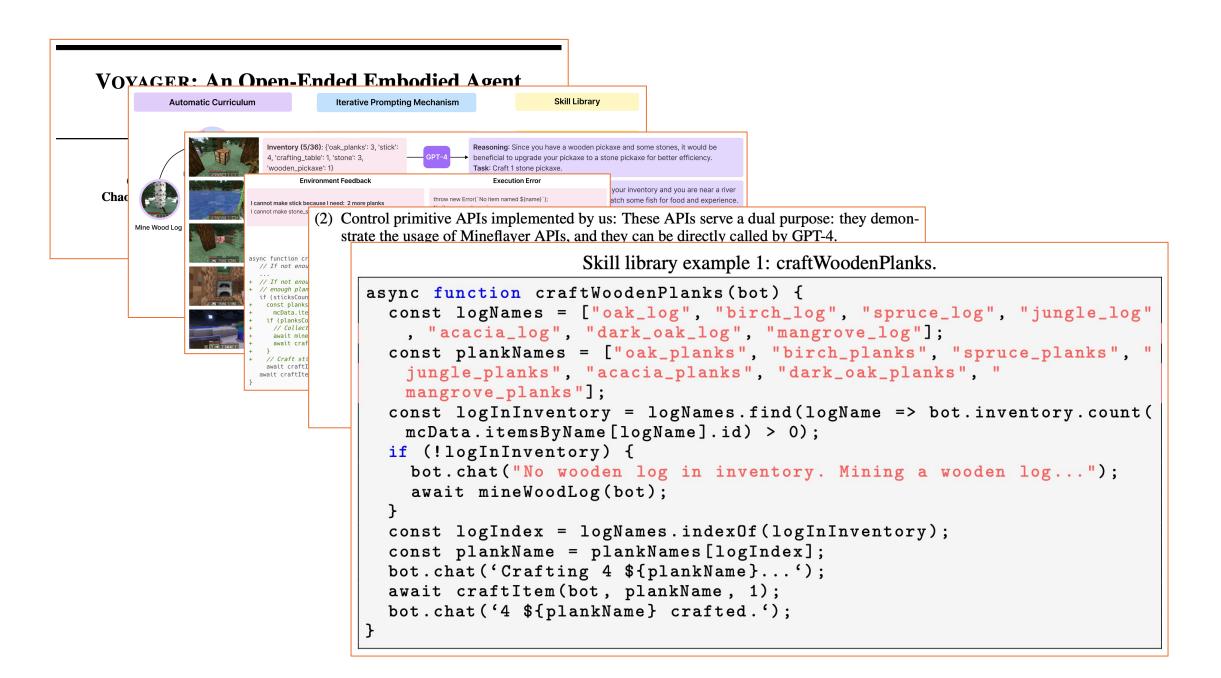
specified fuel. There must be a furnace nearby;

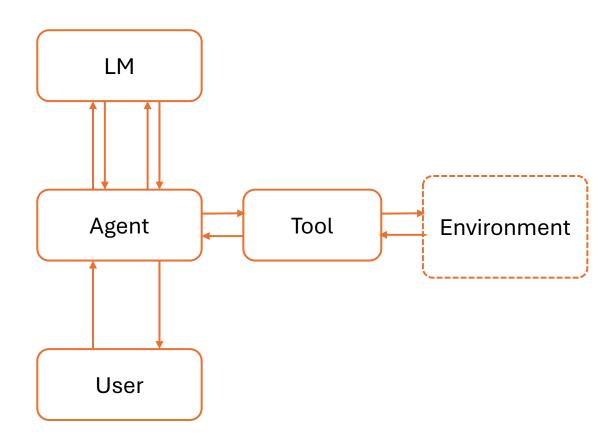
• craftItem(bot, name, count = 1): Craft the item with a crafting table nearby;

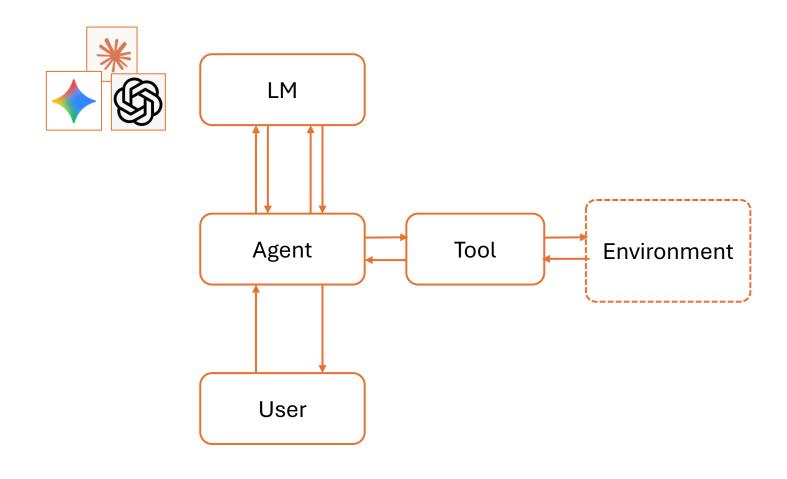
• smeltItem(bot, itemName, fuelName, count = 1): Smelt the item with the

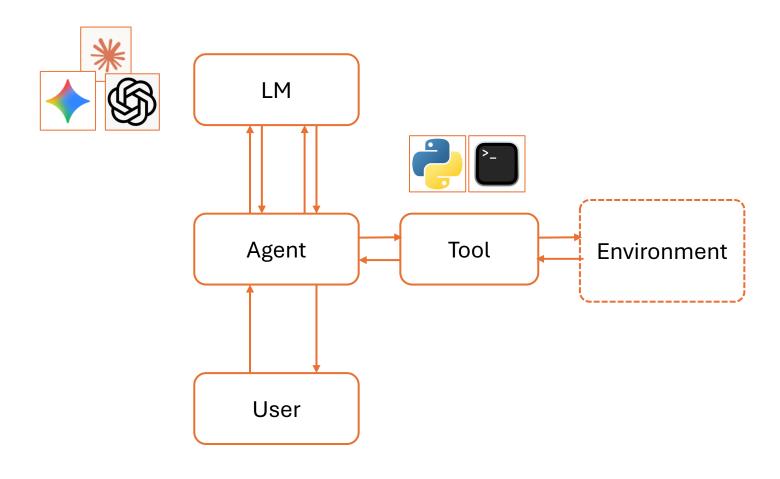
• placeItem(bot, name, position): Place the block at the specified position;

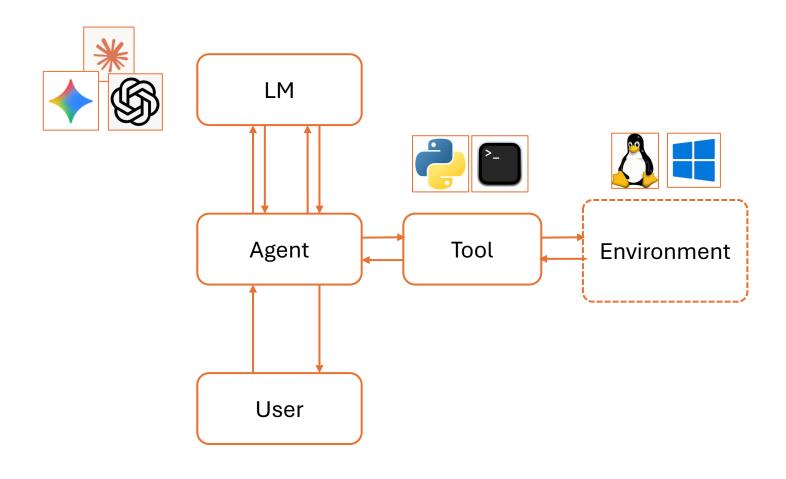


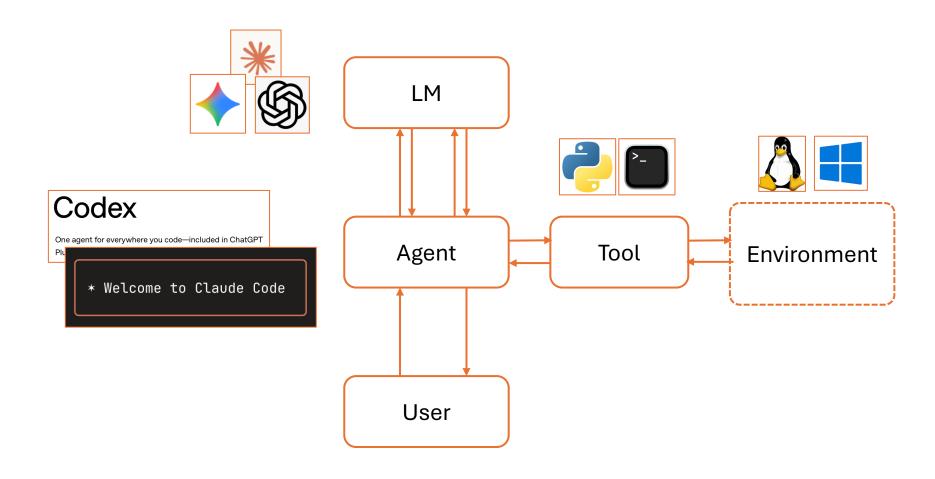










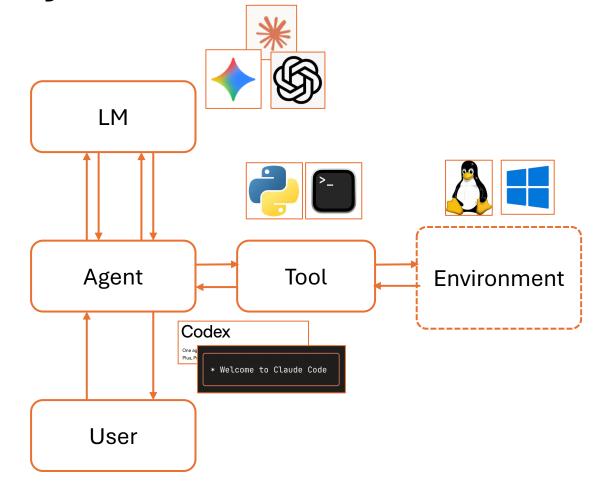


Less input required from user

- Agent pre-defines a set of general prompts for typical synthesis use cases;
- Feedback can come from tools and environments.

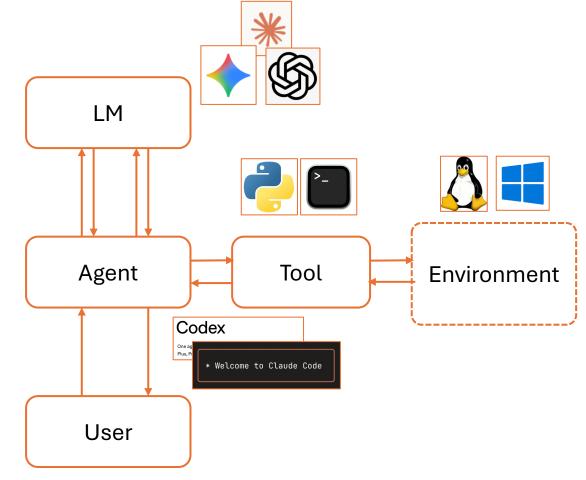
Less responsibility from user

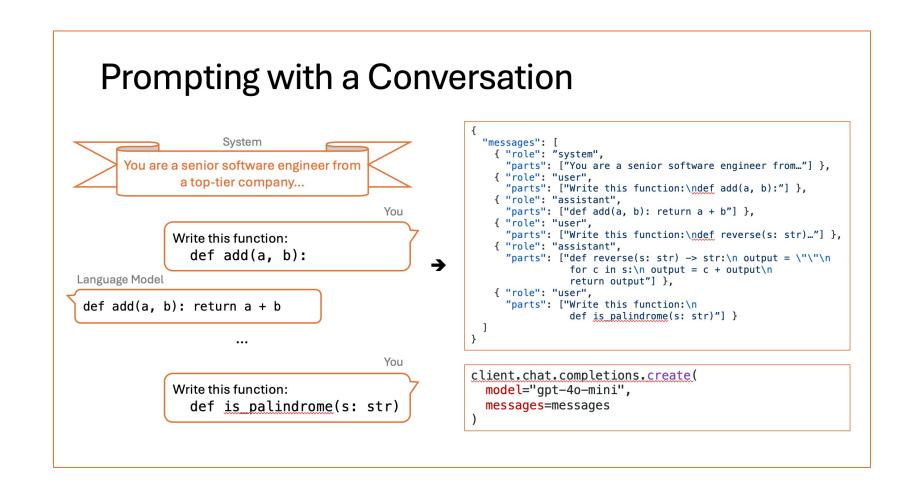
- Agent exposes the set of tools to language models;
- Agent takes the responsibility to invoke the tools and process the results.



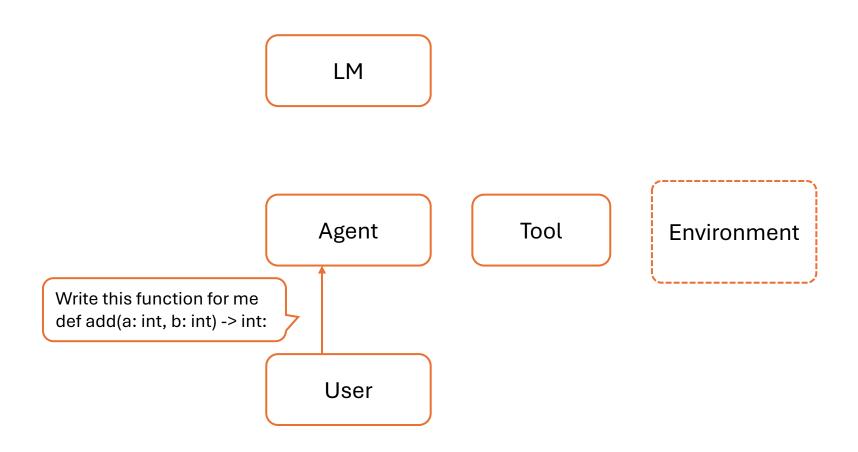
Potential Achievements for Program Synthesis

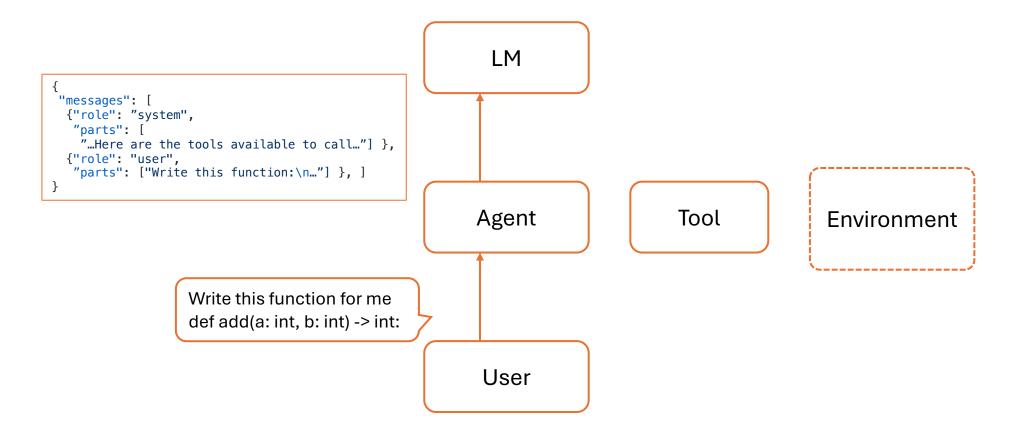
- Automated testing
 - Writing and run new test cases
- Repository level reasoning
 - Through file systems, read multiple files in the repository
- Adaptive iterative refinement
 - Dynamically choose which tool to run (compiler, linter, test, etc.)
 - Creative ways to debug: delta debugging, tracing, etc.

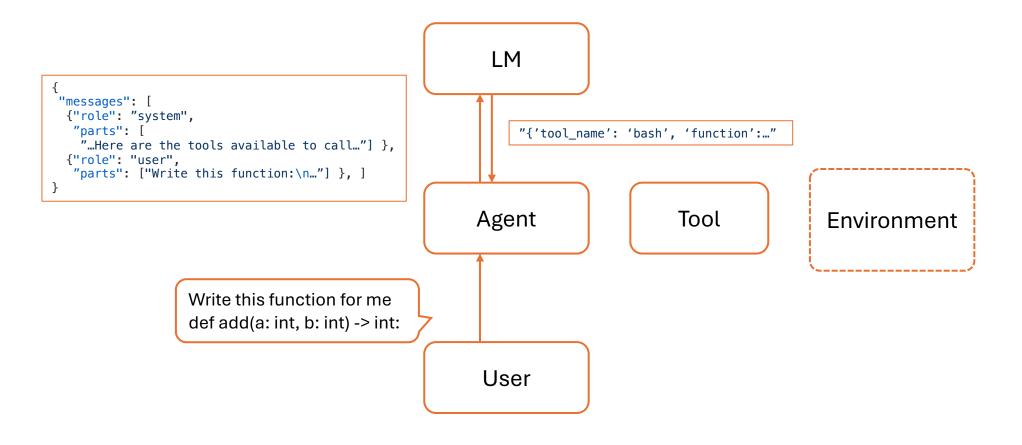


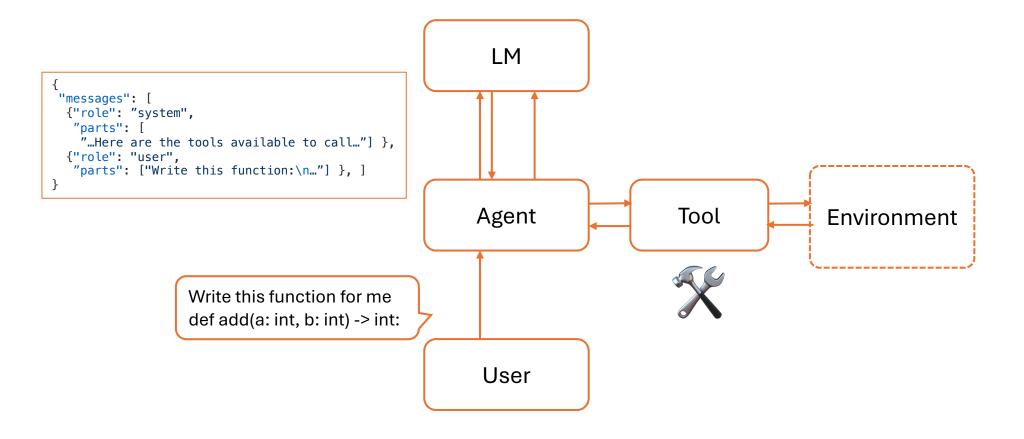


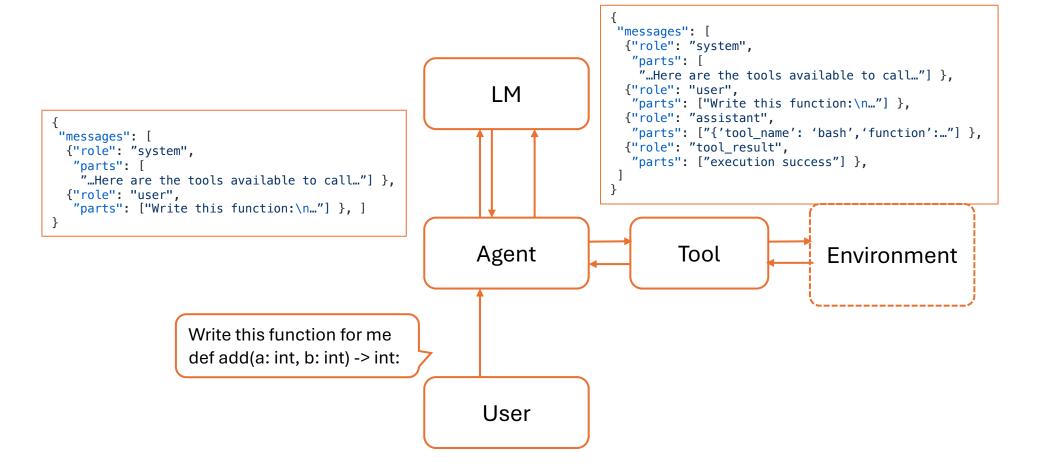
LM Agent Tool Environment User

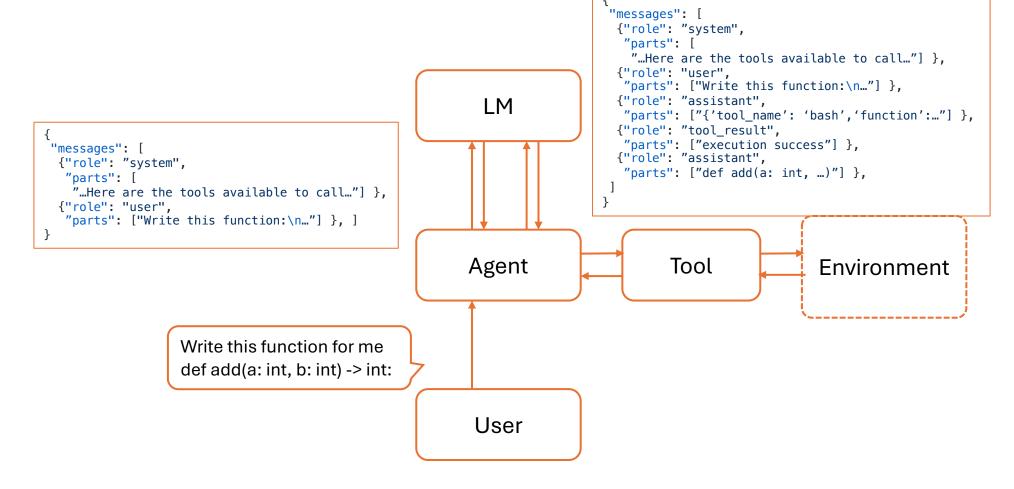


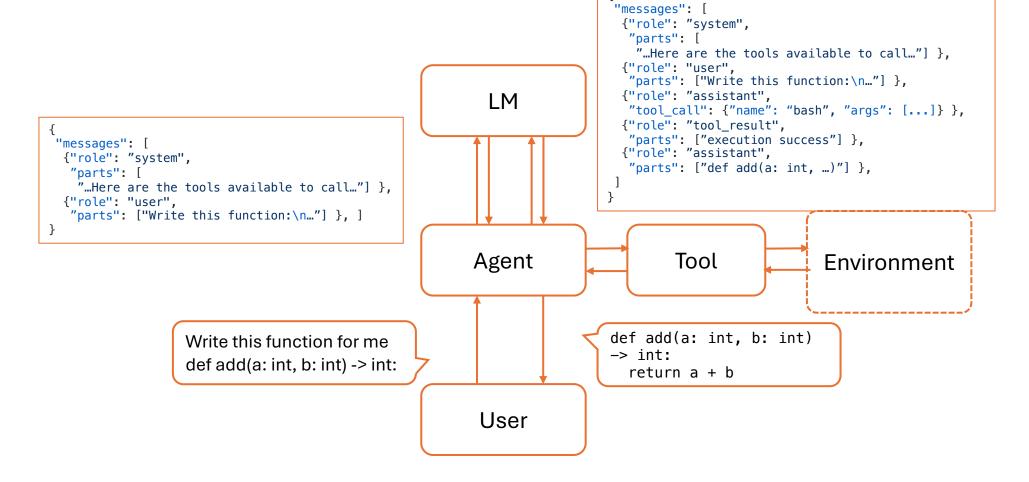






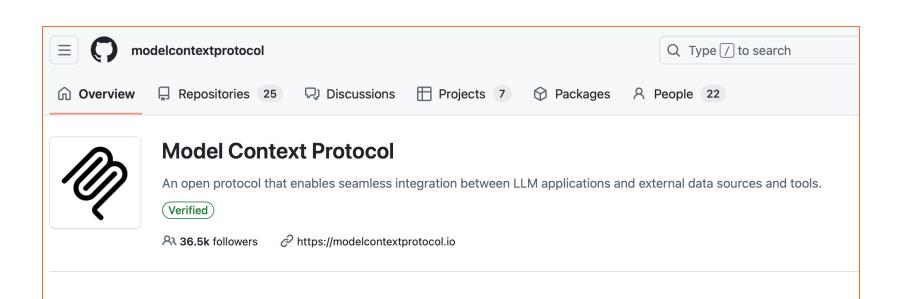






Common Protocol for Agentic Framework

- Protocol
 - A protocol is a precisely defined set of rules and formats that govern how entities in a system communicate and interact.
- Having a protocol provides the following benefits
 - Tools are easier to develop
 - All tools expose themselves to the agent via a unified format
 - All tools respond to the agent via a unified format
 - Online registry of tools; Similar to pip (Python's package manager)
 - Models are easier to develop
 - Can be trained/fine-tuned on this unified format to provide maximum adaptability
 - Agents are easier to develop
 - Assume all tools and models agree on the same format
 - Prompts and pipelines designed for this format



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Model Context Protocol

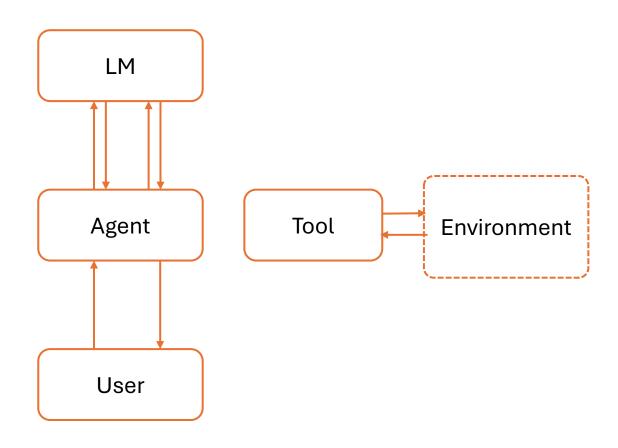


A protocol for seamless integration between LLM applications and external data sources

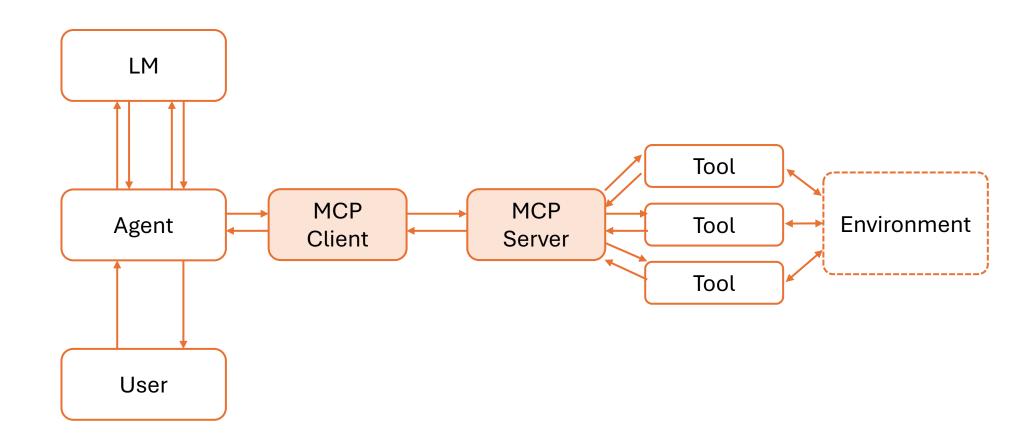
Documentation | Specification | Discussions

The Model Context Protocol (MCP) is an open protocol that enables seamless integration between LLM applications and external data sources and tools. Whether you're building an Al-powered IDE, enhancing a chat interface, or creating custom Al workflows, MCP provides a standardized way to connect LLMs with the context they need.

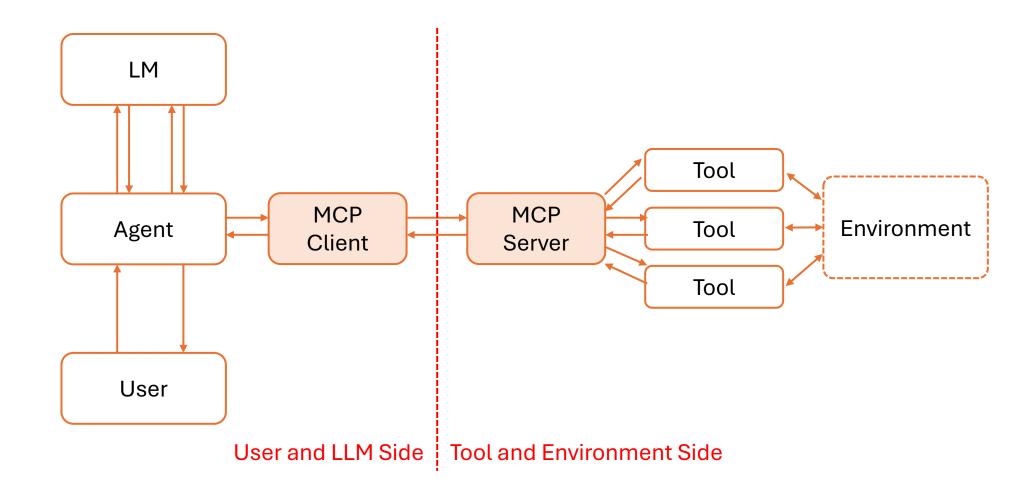
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Model Context Protocol servers

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💢 Reference Servers

These servers aim to demonstrate MCP features and the official SDKs.

- Everything Reference / test server with prompts, resources, and tools.
- Fetch Web content fetching and conversion for efficient LLM usage.
- Filesystem Secure file operations with configurable access controls.
- Git Tools to read, search, and manipulate Git repositories.
- Memory Knowledge graph-based persistent memory system.
- Sequential Thinking Dynamic and reflective problem-solving through thought sequences.
- Time Time and timezone conversion capabilities.

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Reference Servers

Archived

The following reference servers are now archived and can be found at servers-archived.

- AWS KB Retrieval Retrieval from AWS Knowledge Base using Bedrock Agent Runtime.
- Brave Search Web and local search using Brave's Search API. Has been replaced by the official server.
- EverArt Al image generation using various models.
- GitHub Repository management, file operations, and GitHub API integration.
- GitLab GitLab API, enabling project management.
- Google Drive File access and search capabilities for Google Drive.
- Google Maps Location services, directions, and place details.
- PostgreSQL Read-only database access with schema inspection.
- Puppeteer Browser automation and web scraping.
- Redis Interact with Redis key-value stores.
- Sentry Retrieving and analyzing issues from Sentry.io.
- Slack Channel management and messaging capabilities. Now maintained by Zencoder
- SQLite Database interaction and business intelligence capabilities.

Third-Party Servers

Official Integrations Official integrations are maintained by companies building production ready MCP servers for

their platforms.

. ActionKit by Paragon - Connect to 130+ SaaS integrations (e.g. Slack, Salesforce, Gmail) with Paragon's ActionKit API.

• 21st.dev Magic - Create crafted UI components inspired by the best 21st.dev design

. Adfin - The only platform you need to get paid - all payments in one place, invoicing and accounting reconciliations with Adfin. AgentOps - Provide observability and tracing for debugging AI agents with AgentOps

 AgentQL - Enable Al agents to get structured data from unstructured web with AgentQL

 AgentRPC - Connect to any function, any language, across network boundaries using AgentRPC.

Agentset - RAG for your knowledge base connected to Agentset

• Aiven - Navigate your Aiven projects and interact with the PostgreSQL®, Apache

Kafka®, ClickHouse® and OpenSearch® services • * Alation - Unlock the power of the enterprise Data Catalog by harnessing tools

provided by the Alation MCP server. • * Alby Bitcoin Payments - Connect any bitcoin lightning wallet to your agent to send

and receive instant payments globally with your agent. . Algolia - Use Al agents to provision, configure, and query your Algolia search indices.

for getting database or table metadata, querying and analyzing data. It will be supported to add the OpenAPI for cluster operation in the future.

 Alibaba Cloud AnalyticDB for PostgreSQL - An MCP server to connect to AnalyticDB for PostgreSQL instances, query and analyze data. M Alibaba Cloud DataWorks - A Model Context Protocol (MCP) server that provides

tools for AI, allowing it to interact with the DataWorks Open API through a standardized interface. This implementation is based on the Alibaba Cloud Open API and enables AI agents to perform cloud resources operations seamlessly.

 Alibaba Cloud OpenSearch - This MCP server equips Al Agents with tools to interact with OpenSearch through a standardized and extensible interface. Alibaba Cloud OPS - Manage the lifecycle of your Alibaba Cloud resources with

CloudOps Orchestration Service and Alibaba Cloud OpenAPI. Alibaba Cloud RDS - An MCP server designed to interact with the Alibaba Cloud RDS OpenAPI, enabling programmatic management of RDS resources via an LLM.

• AlipayPlus - Connect your Al Agents to AlipayPlus Checkout Payment.

BoldSign.

n Alpaca – Alpaca's MCP server lets you trade stocks and options, analyze market data,

 ~ AlphaVantage - Connect to 100+ APIs for financial market data, including stock prices, fundamentals, and more from AlphaVantage

AllVoiceLab - An Al voice toolkit with TTS, voice cloning, and video translation, now

• # AltTester® - Use AltTester® capabilities to connect and test your Unity or Unreal game. Write game test automation faster and smarter, using AltTester and the

AltTester® MCP server. Antom - Connect your Al Agents to Antom Checkout Payment.

 Anytype - An MCP server enabling Al assistants to interact with Anytype - a local and collaborative wiki - to organize objects, lists, and more through natural language.

available as an MCP server for smarter agent integration.

and build strategies through Alpaca's Trading API

 Apache Doris - MCP Server For Apache Doris, an MPP-based real-time data . * Apache IoTDB - MCP Server for Apache IoTDB database and its tools

Apache Pinot – MCP server for running real - time analytics gueries on Apache Pinot,

an open-source OLAP database built for high-throughput, low-latency powering real-

by leveraging APIMatic's API.

 Apify - Use 6,000+ pre-built cloud tools to extract data from websites, e-commerce, social media, search engines, maps, and more

 APIMatic MCP - APIMatic MCP Server is used to validate OpenAPI specifications using APIMatic. The server processes OpenAPI files and returns validation summaries

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 Apollo MCP Server - Connect your GraphQL APIs to Al agents . @ Agara MCP Server - Control Agara smart home devices, query status, execute

scenes, and much more using natural language.

 Archbee - Write and publish documentation that becomes the trusted source for instant answers with Al. Stop cobbling tools and use Archbee — the first complete

DataStax Astra DB NoSQL database with a full range of operations such as create. update, delete, find, and associated bulk actions. • Atla - Enable Al agents to interact with the Atla API for state-of-the-art LLMJ . a Atlan - The Atlan Model Context Protocol server allows you to interact with the Atlan

services through multiple tools. A Atlassian - Securely interact with Jira work items and Confluence pages, and search

 AtomGit - Official AtomGit server for integration with repository management, PRs. issues, branches, labels, and more.

• « Astra DB - Comprehensive tools for managing collections and documents in a

· / Audiense Insights - Marketing insights and audience analysis from Audiense reports, covering demographic, cultural, influencer, and content engagement analysis. • B Autho - MCP server for interacting with your Autho tenant, supporting creating and modifying actions, applications, forms, logs, resource servers, and more.

• • Authenticator App • 2FA - A secure MCP (Model Context Protocol) server that enables Al agents to interact with the Authenticator App. • @ AWS - Specialized MCP servers that bring AWS best practices directly to your

. Axiom - Query and analyze your Axiom logs, traces, and all other event data in natural A Azure - The Azure MCP Server gives MCP Clients access to key Azure services and

tools like Azure Storage, Cosmos DB, the Azure CLI, and more. • Q Azure DevOps - Interact with Azure DevOps services like repositories, work items, builds, releases, test plans, and code search.

• Backdocket - Search, Retrieve, and Update your Backdocket data. This currently includes Claims, Matters, Contacts, Tasks and Advanced Searches, To easily use the Remote Mcp Server utilize the following url: https://ai.backdocket.com/mcp

• Baidu Map - Baidu Map MCP Server provides tools for Al agents to interact with Baidu Maps APIs, enabling location-based services and geospatial data analysis.

 Baserow - Query data from Baserow self-hosted or SaaS databases using MCP BICScan - Risk score / asset holdings of EVM blockchain address (EOA, CA, ENS) and

Bankless Onchain - Query Onchain data, like ERC20 tokens, transaction history.

. Bitrise - Chat with your builds, CI, and more. • @ Boikot - Learn about the ethical and unethical actions of major companies with

boikot.xyz. • PoldSign - Search, request, and manage e-signature contracts effortlessly with

and collaborate with humans on software projects

development workflow.

even domain names.

• Boost.space - An MCP server integrating with Boost.space for centralized, automated business data from 2000+ sources. • Box - Interact with the Intelligent Content Management platform through Box Al.

• BrightData - Discover, extract, and interact with the web - one interface powering automated access across the public internet.

extraction form filling and more) BrowserStack - Access BrowserStack's Test Platform to debug, write and fix tests, do

accessibility testing and more. • Buildkite - Exposing Buildkite data (pipelines, builds, jobs, tests) to Al tooling and

• Buildable (TypeScript) - Official MCP server for Buildable Al-powered development

• \(\mathbb{BuiltWith} - Identify the technology stack behind any website. Burp Suite - MCP Server extension allowing AI clients to connect to Burp Suite

• Cal.com - Connect to the Cal.com API to schedule and manage bookings and

appointments • Campertunity - Search campgrounds around the world on campertunity, check availability, and provide booking links.

• @ Canva — Provide AI - powered development assistance for Canva apps and

integrations. • 4 Carbon Voice - MCP Server that connects Al Agents to Carbon Voice. Create, manage, and interact with voice messages, conversations, direct messages, folders,

voice memos, Al actions and more in Carbon Voice. • Cartesia - Connect to the Cartesia voice platform to perform text-to-speech, voice cloning etc.

• Cashfree - Cashfree Payments official MCP server. CB Insights - Use the CB Insights MCP Server to connect to ChatCBI

• GodeLogic - Interact with CodeLogic, a Software Intelligence platform that graphs complex code and data architecture dependencies, to boost AI accuracy and insight. • @ CoinGecko - Official CoinGecko API MCP Server for Crypto Price & Market Data, across 200+ Blockchain Networks and 8M+ Tokens.

supporting keyword search, language, and safety options. Returns structured JSON

• Godacy - Interact with Codacy API to query code quality issues, vulnerabilities, and

• Cloudinary - Exposes Cloudinary's media upload, transformation, Al analysis,

• ± Cloudsway SmartSearch - Web search MCP server powered by Cloudsway,

management, optimization and delivery as tools usable by Al agents

. Comet Opik - Query and analyze your Opik logs, traces, prompts and all other telemetry data from your LLMs in natural language. • S Conductor - Interact with Conductor (OSS and Orkes) REST APIs.

• @ Composio - Use Composio to connect 100+ tools. Zero setup. Auth built-in. Made for agents, works for humans . © Confluent - Interact with Confluent Kafka and Confluent Cloud REST APIs.

coverage insights about your code.

• Contrast Security - Brings Contrast's vulnerability and SCA data into your coding agent to quickly remediate vulnerabilities. • O Convex - Introspect and query your apps deployed to Convex.

• Cortex - Official MCP server for Cortex. . Couchbase - Interact with the data stored in Couchbase clusters. . CRIC Wuye AI - Interact with capabilities of the CRIC Wuye AI platform, an intelligent

assistant specifically for the property management industry. CrowdStrike Falcon - Connects All agents with the CrowdStrike Falcon platform for

intelligent security analysis, providing programmatic access to detections, incidents, behaviors, threat intelligence, hosts, vulnerabilities, and identity protection capabilities. • CTERA Edge Filer - CTERA Edge Filer delivers intelligent edge caching and

platform via Debugg.Al remote browsing test agents.

global namespace and unified management across petabytes of distributed content. . O Cycode - Boost security in your dev lifecycle via SAST, SCA, Secrets & IaC scanning with Cycode • Dart - Interact with task, doc, and project data in Dart, an Al-native project

• @ Databricks - Connect to data, Al tools & agents, and the rest of the Databricks

platform using turnkey managed MCP servers. Or, host your own custom MCP servers

multiprotocol file access, enabling fast, secure access to files across core and remote

CTERA Portal - CTERA Portal is a multi-tenant, multi-cloud platform that delivers a

within the Databricks security and data governance boundary. • DataHub - Search your data assets, traverse data lineage, write SQL queries, and more using DataHub metadata.

• Daytona - Fast and secure execution of your Al generated code with Daytona Debugg.Al - Zero-Config, Fully Al-Managed End-to-End Testing for any code gen

• Browserbase - Automate browser interactions in the cloud (e.g. web navigation, data • PeepL - Translate or rewrite text with DeepL's very own Al models using the DeepL

. Defang - Deploy your project to the cloud seamlessly with the Defang platform without leaving your integrated development environment
 <u>B Detailer</u> – Instantly generate rich, Al-powered documentation for your GitHub

repositories. Designed for AI agents to gain deep project context before taking action. · @ DevCycle - Create and monitor feature flags using natural language in your AI coding platform. Enables Al assistants to manage tasks, track progress, get project context,

> • DevHub - Manage and utilize website content within the DevHub CMS platform • DevRey - An MCP server to integrate with DevRey APIs to search through your

management tool

• ■ DexPaprika (CoinPaprika) - Access real-time DEX data, liquidity pools, token information, and trading analytics across multiple blockchain networks with DexPaprika by CoinPaprika.

Dumpling Al

• Dolt - The official MCP server for version-controlled Dolt databases. V Dot (GetDot.ai) - Fetch, analyze or visualize data from your favorite database or data warehouse (Snowflake, BigQuery, Redshift, Databricks, Clickhouse, ...) with Dot, your Al Data Analyst. This remote MCP server is a one-click integration for user that have setup

DevRev Knowledge Graph where objects can be imported from diff. Sources listed here.

• Drata - Get hands-on with our experimental MCP server—bringing real-time compliance intelligence into your AI workflows. • Dumpling AI - Access data, web scraping, and document conversion APIs by

 @ gNucleus Text-To-CAD - Generate CAD parts and assemblies from text using aNucleus Al models. • Google Cloud Run - Deploy code to Google Cloud Run © GoLogin MCP server - Manage your GoLogin browser profiles and automation directly through Al conversations!

. GitGuardian - GitGuardian official MCP server - Scan projects using GitGuardian's

contextual data for rapid, automated remediation.

• Glean - Enterprise search and chat using Glean's API.

ping, traceroute, mtr, http and DNS resolve.

crawling, into a searchable Graphlit project.

o GitHub - GitHub's official MCP Server.

industry-leading API, which features over 500 secret detectors to prevent credential

GitKraken - A CLI for interacting with GitKraken APIs. Includes an MCP server via gk

. @ Globalping - Access a network of thousands of probes to run network commands like

mcp that not only wraps GitKraken APIs, but also Jira, GitHub, GitLab, and more.

• @ Gremlin - The official Gremlin MCP server. Analyze your reliability posture, review

leaks before they reach public repositories. Resolve security incidents directly with rich

and code samples for optimal geo-related guidance and code. • ox gotoHuman - Human-in-the-loop platform - Allow Al agents and automations to send requests for approval to your gotoHuman inbox. Grafana - Search dashboards, investigate incidents and query datasources in your

Grafana instance • Grafbase - Turn your GraphQL API into an efficient MCP server with schema intelligence in a single command. • Grain - Access your Grain meetings notes & transcripts directly in claude and generate reports with native Claude Prompts. • Graphlit - Ingest anything from Slack to Gmail to podcast feeds, in addition to web

recent tests and chaos engineering experiments, and create detailed reports. © GreptimeDB - Provides Al assistants with a secure and structured way to explore and analyze data in GreptimeDB. . GROWI - Official MCP Server to integrate with GROWI APIs. • Gyazo - Search, fetch, upload, and interact with Gyazo images, including metadata and OCR data.

• Harper - An MCP server providing an interface for MCP clients to access data within Harper. B Heroku - Interact with the Heroku Platform through LLM-driven tools for managing apps, add-ons, dynos, databases, and more. • New On Call - Page a human, sending critical or non-critical alerts to the free

HevOnCall iOS or Android apps. Hiveflow - Create, manage, and execute agentic AI workflows directly from your • Hive Intelligence - Ultimate cryptocurrency MCP for AI assistants with unified access

to crypto, DeFi, and Web3 analytics • Hologres - Connect to a Hologres instance, get table metadata, query and analyze data.

• B Homebrew Allows Homebrew users to run Homebrew commands locally. Honeycomb Allows Honeycomb Enterprise customers to guery and analyze their data, alerts, dashboards, and more; and cross-reference production behavior with the

• > HubSpot - Connect, manage, and interact with HubSpot CRM data • A Hugging Face - Connect to the Hugging Face Hub APIs programmatically: semantic search for spaces and papers, exploration of datasets and models, and access to all compatible MCP Gradio tool spaces!

• Hunter - Interact with the Hunter API to get B2B data using natural language. . H Hyperbolic - Interact with Hyperbolic's GPU cloud, enabling agents and LLMs to view and rent available GPUs, SSH into them, and run GPU-powered workloads for you.

• Hyperbrowser - Hyperbrowser is the next-generation platform empowering Al agents and enabling effortless, scalable browser automation. . IBM wxflows - Tool platform by IBM to build, test and deploy tools for any data source

• Inbox Zero - Al personal assistant for email Inbox Zero

• Inflectra Spira - Connect to your instance of the SpiraTest, SpiraTeam or SpiraPlan application lifecycle management platform by Inflectra

• Inkeep - RAG Search over your content powered by Inkeep • * Integration App - Interact with any other SaaS applications on behalf of your

customers.

VPNs, and find abuse contact details using IPLocate.io

• IP2Location.io - Interact with IP2Location.io API to retrieve the geolocation information for an IP address. • DIPLocate - Look up IP address geolocation, network information, detect proxies and

MCP Safety Audit: LLMs with the Model Context Protocol Allow Major Security Exploits

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Assignment 2

- https://github.com/machine-programming/assignment-2
- Due next Thursday (Oct 2nd)
- Expected to take quite some time, so please start working on it early

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