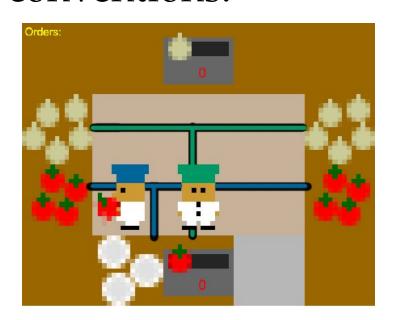


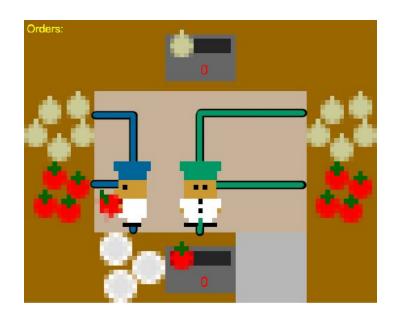
Adapting to Unknown Conventions in Cooperative MARL

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Motivation

MARL agents often converge to arbitrary conventions.





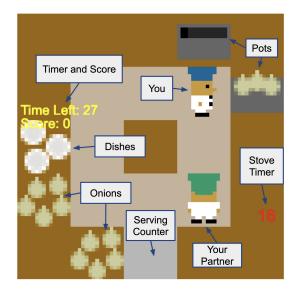
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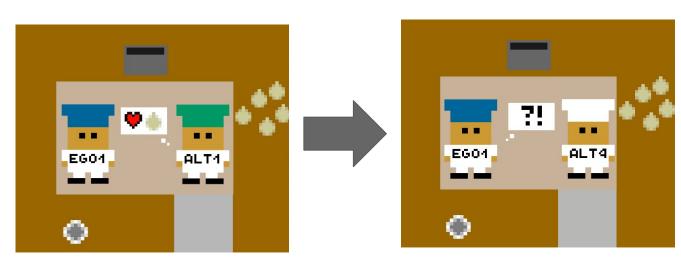
Can we adapt to new partners in real time?

Task Definition

Overcooked Game: Coordination Ring



Partner's convention defines the *Task*



Only the single-agent *transition* changes

Idea: Pre-train on a diverse set of partners to learn how to collaborate with others

Generating Conventions

CoMeDi: generates diverse set of conventions

$$\mathcal{L}(\pi^n) = \mathcal{J}(\pi^n, \pi^n) - \beta \mathcal{J}(\pi^n, \pi^*) + \gamma \mathcal{J}_{MP}(\pi^n, \pi^*)$$
 High Scoring Semantically Different (SP) (XP) Good Faith Actor (MP)

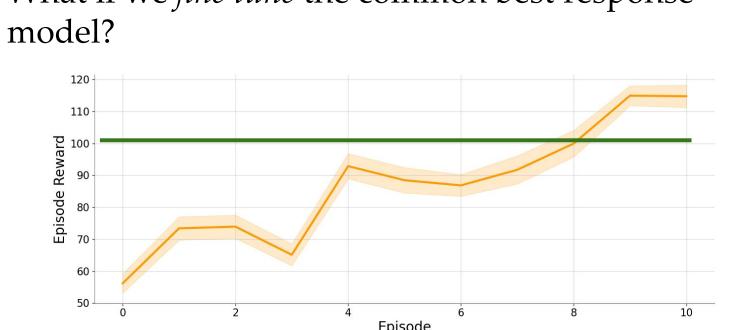
Generated 8 conventions where SP > 120 and XP < 20 (Meta-)Train on first 7 and (Meta-)Test on the last one

Training from Scratch 150 100 Episode 1000

Need to play 300 games for human-like performance (score=100)

- More than 3 hours of user data!

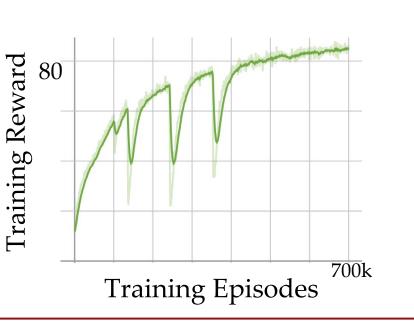
—— **Few-shot Fine Tuning** — What if we *fine tune* the common best response

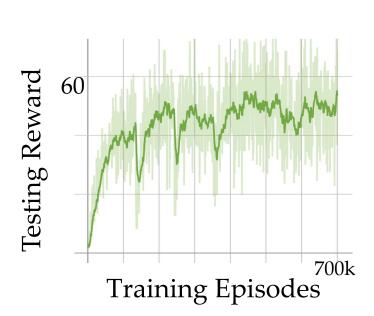


Human-like score in 10 episodes (7 mins of user data)

MAML

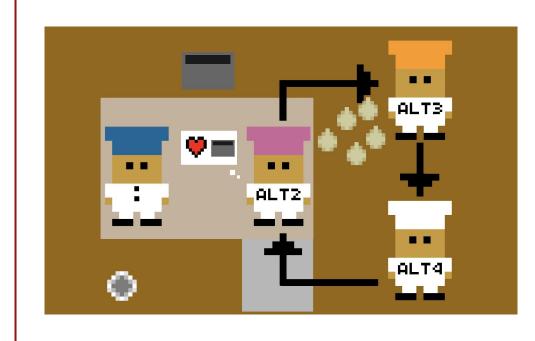
MAML with one episode as support data

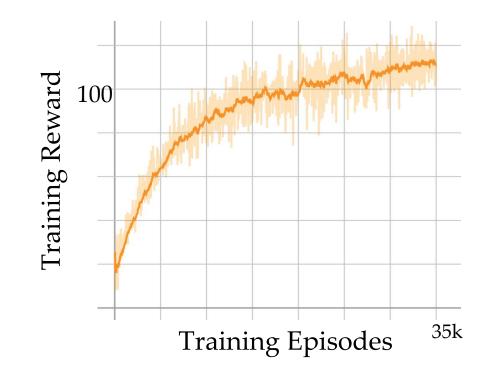




Common Best Response

Train a single best response agent to training set.





Common technique for MARL Zero-shot coordination - Score with test partner is 56

Discussion

Using a diverse set of partners, few-shot fine tuning can adapt to *new partners*!

Efficient human-AI adaptation without datasets of human gameplay

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