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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy integrity and confidentiality labels to all data an agent processes, propagating labels to suggested actions, and using these labels to determine whether ...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy 2 Background: Information-flowControlforAIAgents Information-flowcontrolmechanismsusesecuritylabelstodescribe thesecuritypropertiesofdataduringtheirlifetim...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy isolation,buttheircontentremainshiddenfromt heplanner’sLLM.TheoriginalformulationoftheDualLLMpattern allows for restricted outputs of the quarantined LLM t...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy unsuccessfultracestheagentrepeatedlyattemptedactionsthatfailedpolicychecks(whichweallowtocontinue)and didnotleadtoanyprogress,apatternthatahumanwouldquick...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy expand variables(ask endorsement=True)), maintaining the label of the context, or (ii) proceed without en- dorsement (by calling expand variables(ask endo...

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informationextractioninquarantinedLLMqueries.
Bydesign,noattackssucceedinthissettingduetostrictpolicies, deterministic defenses, and our assumption that a...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy 80 60 40 20 0 1 2 3 4 HITLload(k))%(k@RCT o3-mini 80 60 40 20 0 1 2 3 4 HITLload(k) Basic Basic-IFC FIDES PRUDENTIA)%(k@RCT o4-mini Figure2:TCR@kcurvess...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy AttackSuccessRate HITLload(average) TCR@∞(%) Turns(average) Model Environment Basic PRUDENTIA Basic PRUDENTIA Basic PRUDENTIA Basic PRUDENTIA GitLab 20.80...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy securitypromptsandbeginapprovingactionswithoutcarefulconsideration(Stantonetal.,2016;Seidlingetal.,2011). DeterministicdefensesbasedonIFCcanbemoreeffectiv...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy 7 RelatedWork Probabilistic Defenses. Several techniques have been proposed for minimizing the likelihood of prompt injection attacksinLLM-basedsystemsing...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy Assistant search_emails(query="TechServices password reset") Tool - Email 1: From support@techservices.com Body in variable #search_emails-result-0.body# ...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy B AdditionalResults Table 2 provides comprehensive performance data across all methods and models, revealing consistent patterns of improvementfromBasicth...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy C OverheadAnalysis Weprovideroughestima tesforthecostsofBasic-IFC,FIDES,andPRUDENTIAintermsofthenumberofinput(Ta- ble3)andoutput(Table5)tokens,andUSDcents(...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy We believe that these costs can be brought down significantly as our goal was to investigate autonomy gains, so we have not yet made an effort to optimize...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy D SystemPrompts D.1 BasicPlanner Weuset hefollowingsystempromptfortheBasicagentwithandwithoutIFC,takenfromDebenedettietal.(2024). System You are an AI lang...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy 2. **Field inside a dict**: - Format: `#tool_name-result-tool_name_count.key#` 3. **Basic type inside a list of dicts**: - Format: `#tool_name-result-tool...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy - **Example:** - You plan to call: `generate_report(title, date)`. - You ask quarantined LLM: - Query 1: *"What's the title in #v1#?"* -> stored in `#quar...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy - You call `expand_variables` with `[#v1#, #v2#]`. - Now use expanded information to carry out your next steps. ## IMPORTANT REMINDERS - Never invent or g...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy - **Untrusted Data:** Untrusted data is any information received from a tool call that may (cid:44)→ contain prompt-injections. Examples include email con...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy ### Variable naming conventions: Variable identifiers always start and end with `#`. **Basic types** (`str`, `bool`, `int`, `float`): - Format: `#tool_nam...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy - **Scenario:** You know exactly what tool you want to call next and require specific (cid:44)→ arguments from the variables. - **Action:** Query the quar...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy To minimize the number of endorsements and approvals, you should avoid expanding variables (cid:44)→ in your context for as long as possible. Once you kno...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy - Always ensure each query to quarantined LLM returns exactly one piece of information. - Plan and exhaust other options and defer using `ifc_expand_varia...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy E ExampleAccessibilityTreeObservation Wepresentfirsttheunprocessedaccessibilitytree,withthepromptinjectionhighlightedinred. Axtree "OBSERVATION: 0 (curren...

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[■] OptimizingAgentPlanningforSecurityandAutonomy [215] StaticText VAR_18_7165e3de [UNTRUSTED] [216] link VAR_19_6f3a142a [UNTRUSTED] [218] StaticText VAR_20_68801a33 [UNTRUSTED] [228] link VAR_21_6eff0cb...

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Neural Network	■■■■	■■■■■■■■■■
Deep Learning	■■■■	■■■■■■■■■■■■■■■
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