AppBench: Planning of Multiple APIs from Various Apps for Complex User Instruction

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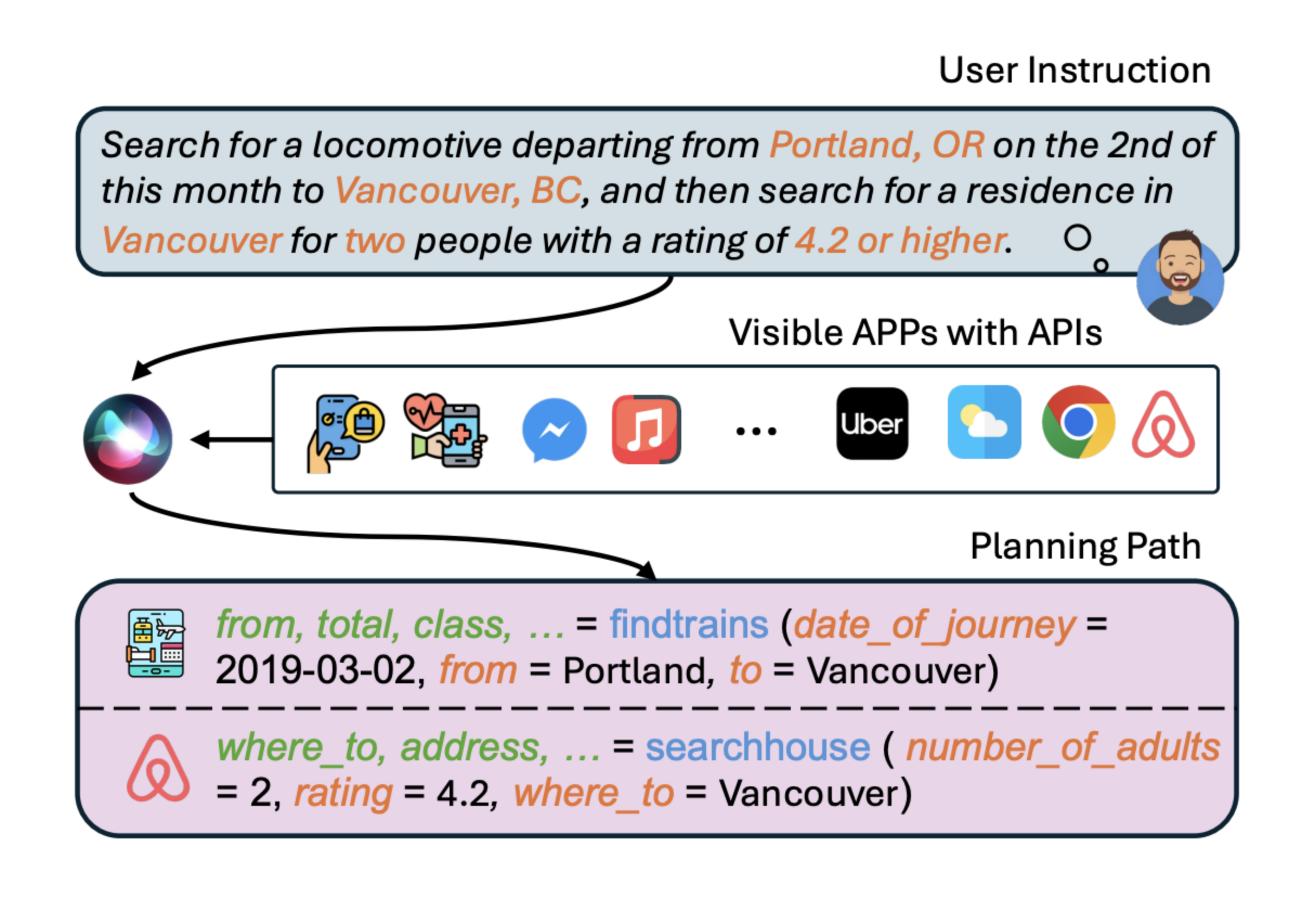


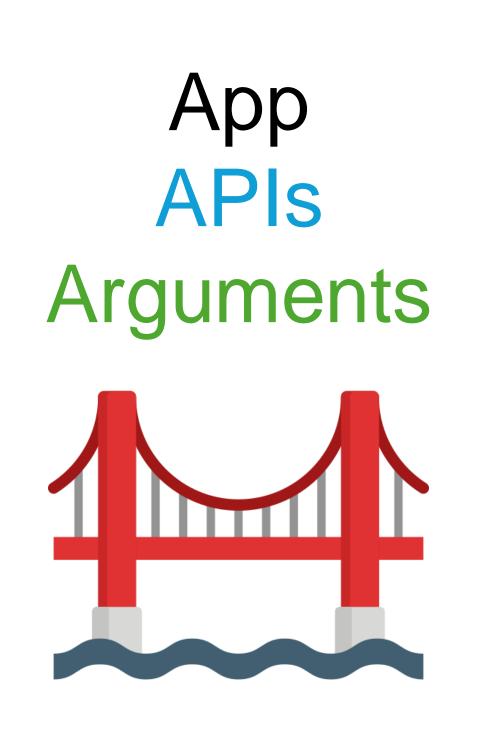
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☐ How to evaluate Apple Intelligence to call multiple APIs from various Apps?







☐ Two key Challenges and Four Cases in Real-World

Data Type	Example							
SS	Instruction: Find a house with a rating of 4.6 or higher for a trip to Delhi for two people, inquire about laundry service availability Output: House: address, phone_number, total_price, has_laundry_service, = searchhouse(number_of_adults='2', rating='4.60', where_to='Delhi')	Para.=1 Seq.=1						
SM	Instruction: Please book a Hatchback car with insurance to be picked up from Warsaw Chopin Airport on March 7th at 1:30 pm, and returned on March 13th in Warsaw. Output: Rents: pickup_location, price_per_day, = getcarsavailable(car_type='Hatchback', city='Warsaw', end_date='2019-03-13', pickup_time='13:30', start_date='2019-03-07') Rents: car_type, car_name, = reservecar(add_insurance='True', car_type=car_type, end_date=end_date, pickup_location=#pickup_location, pickup_time=pickup_time, start_date=start_date)	Para.=1 Seq.=2						
MS	Instruction: Search for a locomotive departing from Portland, OR on the 2nd of this month to Vancouver, BC, and then search for a residence in Vancouver for two people with a rating of 4.2 or higher. Output: Train: from, total, class, = findtrains (date_of_journey = 2019-03-02, from = Portland, to = Vancouver) House: address, phone_number, total_price, has_laundry_service, = searchhouse(number_of_adults='2', rating='4.2', where_to= Vancouver')	Para.=2 Seq.=(1,1)						
MM	Instruction: Please make a reservation for 3 people at one Korean restaurant in San Francisco at 1:30 pm on March 12th, and also book a Luxury taxi for 3 to 4 Embarcadero Center. Output: Restaurant: restaurant_name, has_vegetarian_options, phone_number, rating, address, price_range, category, = findrestaurants (category = 'Korean', has_seating_outdoors='True', location='San Francisco') Restaurant: date, time, location, = reserverestaurant (date='2019-03-12', location=location, number_of_seats='3', restaurant_name = #restaurant_name, time='13:30') Rents: destination, ride_type, ride_fare, wait_time, number_of_seats = getride(destination='4 Embarcadero Center', number_of_seats='3', ride_type='Luxury')	Para.=2 Seq.=(2,1)						

Two Key Challenges

- **Graph structure**: some APIs can be executed independently while others need to be executed one by one, resulting in graph-like execution order;
- Permission constraints: which source is authorized to execute the API call.

Four Cases

- Single App Single API (SS): common cases
- Single App Multiple API (SM): mostly sequential
- Multiple App Single API (MS): mostly parallel
- Multiple App Multiple API (MM): both sequential and parallel
- □ Evaluation on existing LLMs, and does in-context learning or finetuning help?

Models	SS			SM			MS			MM		
Models	$\boxed{F1_{app}}$	$\overline{F1_{api}}$	Succ	$F1_{app}$	$F1_{api}$	Succ	$F1_{app}$	$F1_{api}$	Succ	$F1_{app}$	$F1_{api}$	Succ
Mistral-7B	55.97	16.31	0.51	36.59	15.09	0.50	33.72	6.42	0.00	28.92	7.56	0.00
Vicuna-13B	43.20	3.70	2.00	34.71	4.63	0.50	20.43	3.10	0.00	21.05	2.52	0.00
LLaMA3-8B	63.04	42.67	23.23	37.20	25.33	0.50	30.65	19.52	-0.10	26.39	17.80	0.05
LLaMA3-70B	71.20	<u>70.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	46.48	<u>46.96</u>	<u>10.50</u>	32.61	32.96	2.50	28.97	<u>28.53</u>	0.50
QWen1.5-7B	48.14	19.54	0.00	30.13	16.71	-0.00	23.24	10.11	$-\bar{0}.\bar{0}\bar{0}$	$2\bar{3}.7\bar{6}$	11.55	$\bar{0}.\bar{0}\bar{0}$
QWen1.5-14B	72.89	28.41	10.10	41.89	25.51	1.50	<u>42.22</u>	21.98	0.80	32.36	15.07	0.00
QWen1.5-72B	81.23	24.28	12.50	51.89	25.27	1.00	45.94	13.42	0.62	38.53	11.51	0.00
GPT-3.5	63.60	57.95	30.81	41.49	43.65	6.50	33.17	34.53	$-\frac{7.00}{7.00}$	27.79	28.09	1.00
GPT-4o	88.31	86.87	70.92	<u>50.83</u>	50.57	20.50	39.39	39.14	11.00	<u>32.62</u>	32.35	2.00



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