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# LLM-PySC2: Starcraft II learning environment for Large Language Models

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#### Motivation

#### **Limitations of Prior Work**

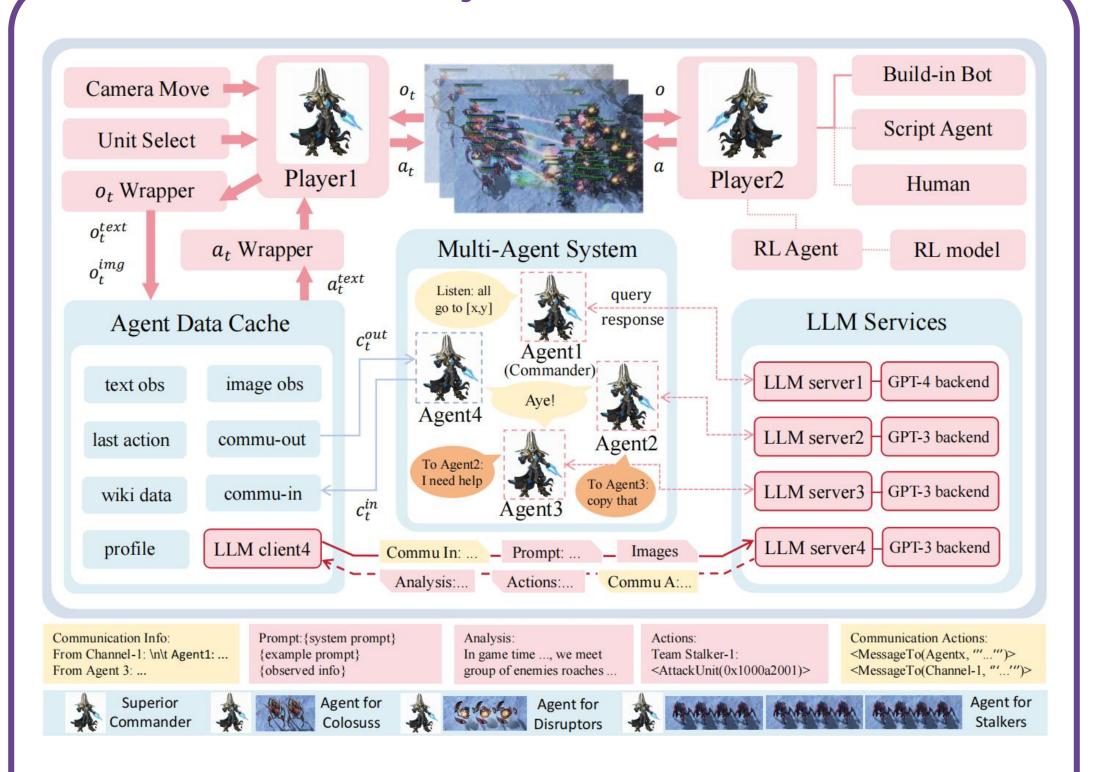
- × Over-simplified and restricted environments: Existing SC2-LLM environments clip and oversimplify scenarios, preventing realistic evaluation of LLM decision-making.
- × Lack of multi-agent support: Most platforms expose only a single controllable agent, making it difficult to study coordinated decision-making.
- × **No full SC2 interaction:** Vector interfaces are incompatible with LLMs, hindering full-game control.



#### Our Method: LLM-PySC2

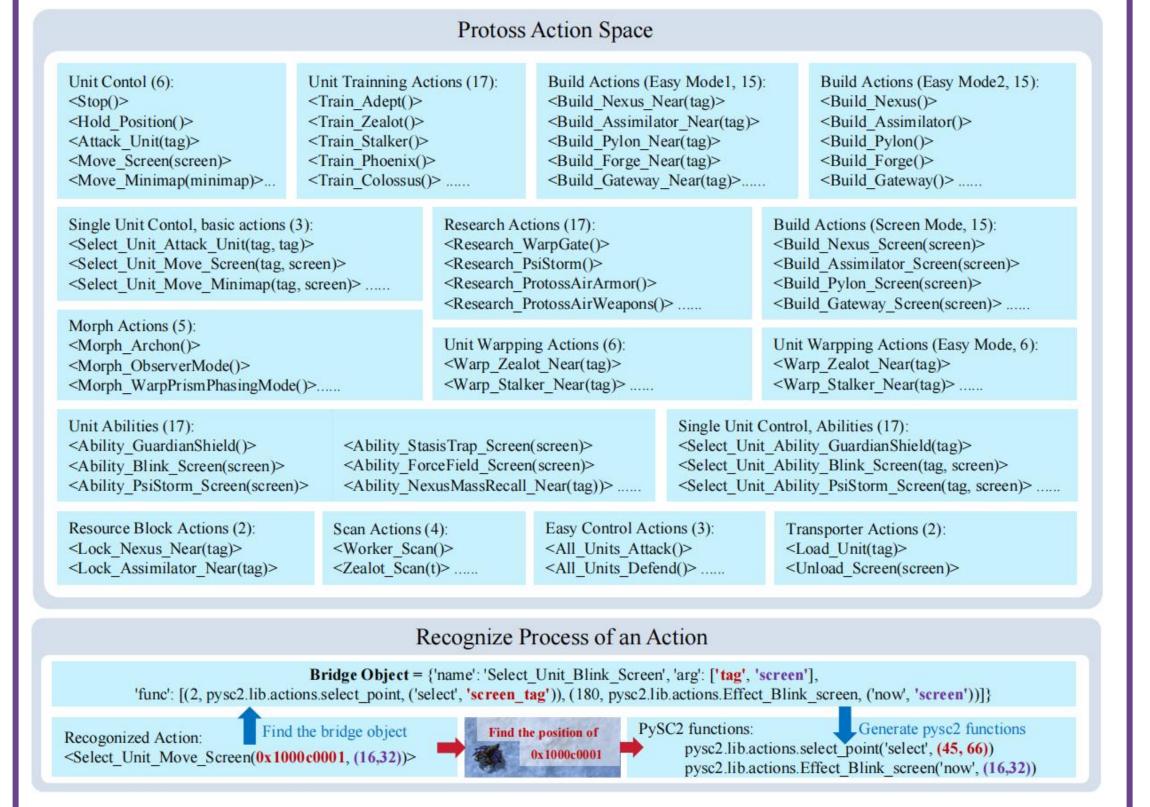
- ✓ Full PySC2 action space: Restores complete unit-level control for LLMs, enabling realistic and fine-grained decision-making.
- ✓ **Multi-modal observation and knowledge**: Provides text, visual inputs, and Wiki knowledge for richer situational understanding.
- ✓ Native multi-agent collaboration: Supports language-based coordination, role decomposition, and cooperative decision-making.
- ✓ Asynchronous querying for scalability: Maintains stable latency as the number of agents grows, enabling scalable multi-agent scenarios.

# LLM-PySC2 framwork



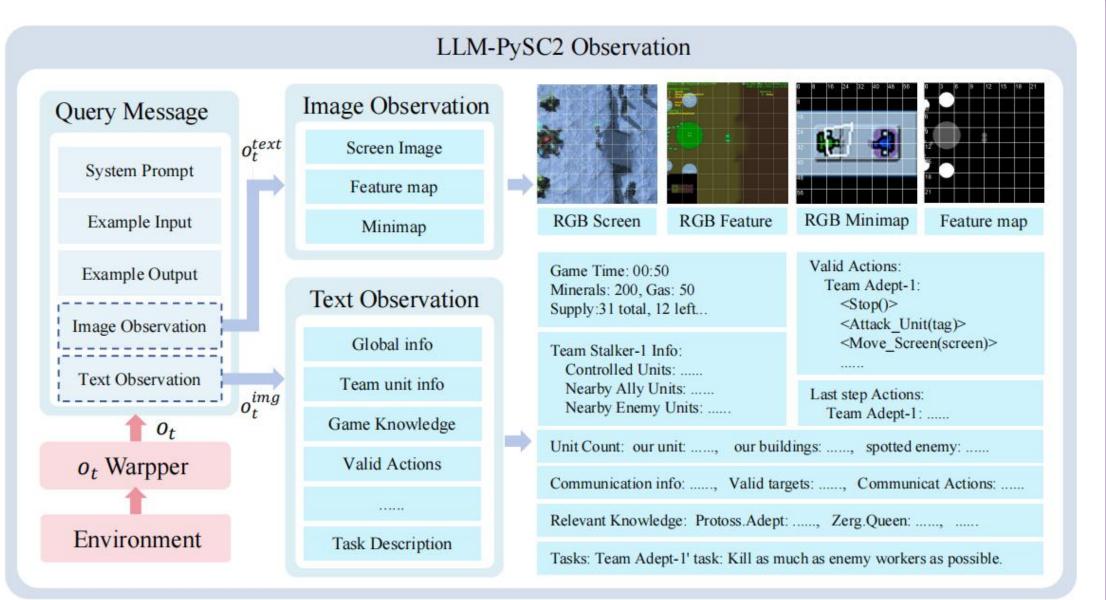
In LLM-PySC2, the original observation will be wrapped into a text- or multi-modal observation. LLM-generated text action can be recognized and transformed into PySC2 functions, enabling LLMs to interact with the StarCraft II environmen t and control the units.

### Protoss action space and the recognition process



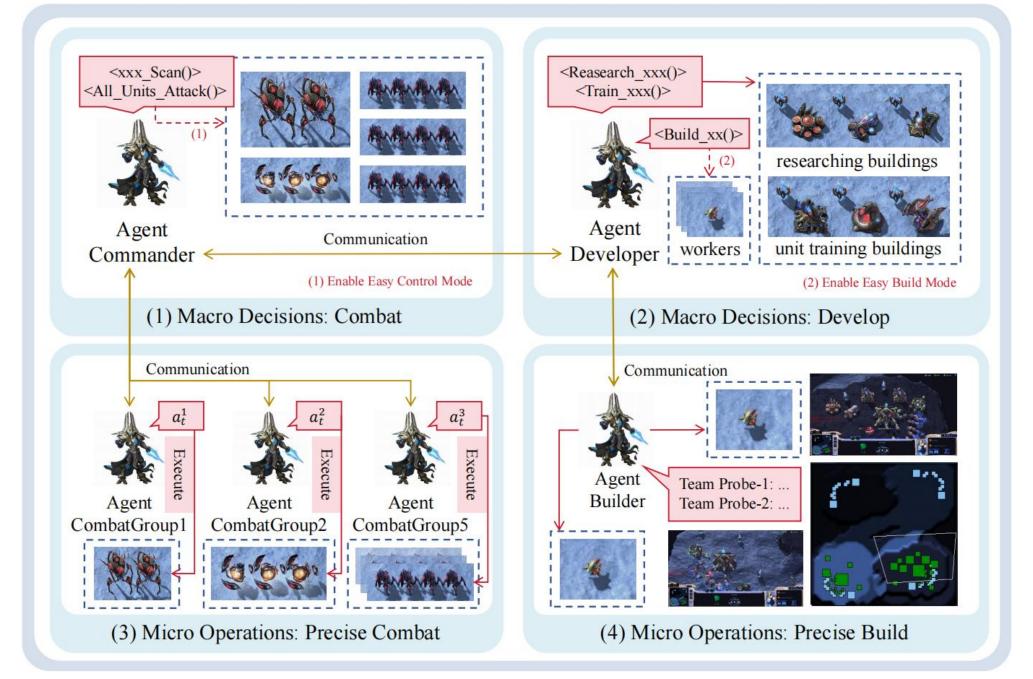
LLM-PySC2 is the first LLM decision making environment with complete pysc2 action space. LLM controls units by output actions in the shape of <Action\_Name(args)>. The environment transforms text action into pysc2 functions according to a transform protocol and the relevant bridge object of the action

## LLM-PySC2 observations



LLM-PySC2 provides multi-modal observation. The observation wrapper generates text and image observations that contain all the important information for decision-making, with access to images of the screen, minimap, and pysc2 original feature maps.

# LLM-PySC2 multi-agent system



### **Experiment Results**

Table 2: Winning Rates of GPT-4o-mini in Complete StarCraft II games (with 90% Wilson Score Confidence Intervals).

|                                  | Winning Rate from Level-1 to Level-7 |                               |                      |                     |                     |                   |      |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------|--|
| Mode                             | L1                                   | L2                            | L3                   | L4                  | L5                  | L6                | L7   |  |
| ECEB (EasyControl+EasyBuild)     | 100%                                 | 90% 100% 100<br>100% 100% 100 | 90% 80% 89%          | 57% <sup>70%</sup>  | 30% 45%             | 3%13%             | 0%8% |  |
| SCEB (StandardControl+EasyBuild) | $100\%_{93}^{10}$                    | 60% 60% 73%<br>60% 45%        | $0\%_{0\%}^{8\%}$    | 0%%                 | 0%s%                | 0%                | 0%8% |  |
| ECSB (EasyControl+StandardBuild) | $100\%_{92}^{16}$                    | 80% 80% 89%                   | $60\%_{45\%}^{73\%}$ | $17\%_{8\%}^{30\%}$ | $17\%_{8\%}^{30\%}$ | $0\%_{0\%}^{8\%}$ | 0%8% |  |

Table 3: Kill/Death Rates and Winning Rates of LLMs in LLM-SMAC Tasks.

| Model         | Task Names / KD(WR) |          |           |              |            |          |  |  |
|---------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|--------------|------------|----------|--|--|
|               | 2s3z                | 3s5z     | 1c3s5z    | 3s5z_vs_3s6z | 2c_vs_64zg | 3s_vs_3z |  |  |
| gpt-3.5-turbo | 0.60(22%)           | 0.43(4%) | 0.91(44%) | 0.29(0%)     | 0.52(0%)   | 0.05(0%) |  |  |
| gpt-4o-mini   | 0.66(20%)           | 0.39(0%) | 1.01(50%) | 0.29(0%)     | 0.54(0%)   | 0.09(0%) |  |  |
| glm-4-plus    | 0.81(25%)           | 0.46(0%) | 0.47(0%)  | 0.33(0%)     | 0.54(5%)   | 0.15(0%) |  |  |
| claude3-haiku | 0.58(5%)            | 0.48(0%) | 0.48(0%)  | 0.32(0%)     | 0.52(0%)   | 0.10(0%) |  |  |
| llama3.1-8b   | 0.19(0%)            | 0.23(0%) | 0.18(0%)  | 0.14(0%)     | 0.49(0%)   | 0.00(0%) |  |  |
| gpt-4o        | 0.76(20%)           | 0.47(0%) | 0.80(30%) | 0.35(0%)     | 0.56(0%)   | 0.15(0%) |  |  |

Table 4: Kill/Death Rates and Winning Rates of LLMs in LLM-PySC2 Tasks (level-1).

| Model         | Task Names / KD(WR) |           |            |          |           |          |  |  |
|---------------|---------------------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|--|--|
|               | task1               | task2     | task3      | task4    | task5     | task6    |  |  |
| gpt-3.5-turbo | 1.23(58%)           | 0.13(4%)  | 6.63(38%)  | 0.38(0%) | 0.61(8%)  | 0.28(0%) |  |  |
| gpt-4o-mini   | 1.67(70%)           | 0.16(0%)  | 3.46(0%)   | 0.39(0%) | 0.62(20%) | 0.30(0%) |  |  |
| glm-4-plus    | 0.78(30%)           | 0.21(5%)  | 153(100%)  | 0.38(0%) | 0.60(10%) | 0.30(0%) |  |  |
| claude3-haiku | 2.19(90%)           | 0.19(10%) | 5.25(40%)  | 0.34(0%) | 0.75(25%) | 0.33(0%) |  |  |
| llama3.1-8b   | 0.28(5%)            | 0.12(5%)  | 14.9(75%)  | 0.18(0%) | 0.48(5%)  | 0.14(0%) |  |  |
| llama3.1-70b  | 0.36(15%)           | 0.14(0%)  | 58.9(95%)  | 0.33(0%) | 0.59(15%) | 0.31(0%) |  |  |
| llama3.1-405b | 0.70(30%)           | 0.10(0%)  | 3.0k(100%) | 0.28(0%) | 0.56(10%) | 0.32(0%) |  |  |
| gpt-4o        | 2.27(80%)           | 0.16(10%) | Inf(100%)  | 0.46(0%) | -         | -        |  |  |
| gpt-o1-mini   | 1.36(60%)           | 0.04(0%)  | -          | -        | -         | -        |  |  |