Influence of shared information on predictability in human-agent teams

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1. Introduction

Understanding trust in human–agent teams is of utmost importance if we want to ensure an efficient and effective collaboration. It is well known that predictability is a core component of trust [1], and that explainability, leading to understandable agents, contributes to higher predictability [2]. However it is still unclear what kind of information an agent should share in order to be perceived as predictable.

2. Objective

The purpose of this research is to investigate the influence of information sharing on predictability in human-agent teams.

3. Methodology

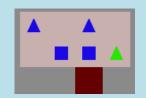
predictability

A controlled experiment was conducted.

Independent variable: information shared by agents

Dependent variable: perceived

World knowledge



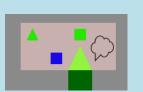
4. Agent configurations

Actions

World knowledge
Actions

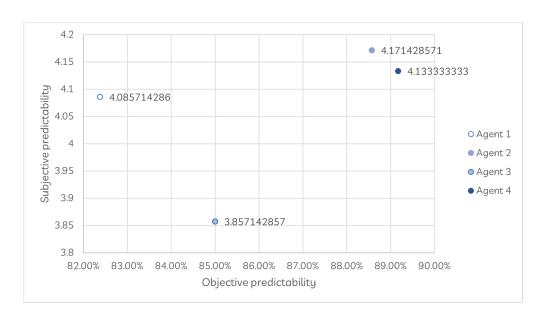


World knowledge
Actions
Explanations

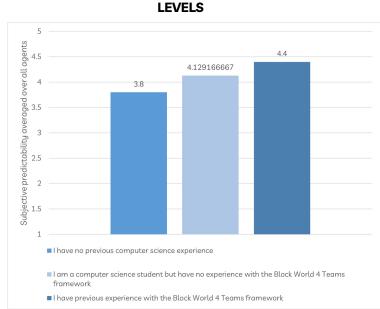


5. Results

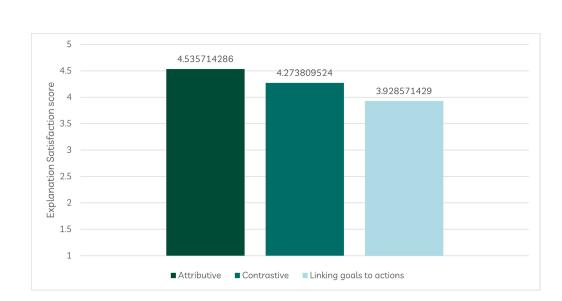
OBJECTIVE VS SUBJECTIVE PREDICTABILITY



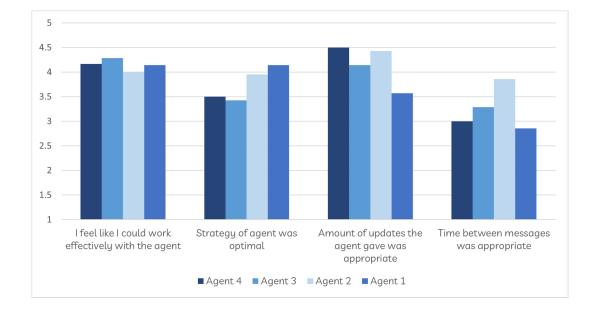
SUBJECTIVE PREDICTABILITY BASED ON EXPERIENCE



EXPLANATION SATISFACTION SCALE



USER SATISFACTION WITH AGENT



6. Conclusion

- Strong **positive correlation** between previous **experience** and perceived **predictability**
- Sharing more information has lead to a longer time to complete the task
- The longer it took to complete the task, the lower the rating of the agent's strategy
- In simple world setup sharing only **world knowledge** is the **most optimal**
- In simple world setup it is **more important** to focus on **user experience and** satisfaction
- Larger focus on developing **agents** optimal **for inexperienced users**