

AI: Representation and Problem Solving

Classical Planning



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Announcements

- P3 out!
 - Sorry it is late. Due 3/7.
 - Can submit 3/8 without penalty
 - Can submit 3/9 with 1 late day
 - No submissions later than 3/9
- HW6 out soon!

Planning, Thus Far

Goal States

completely specified

Goal Statements

partially specified

Preference models

objective function

Increasing Generality



Robot Block Stacking

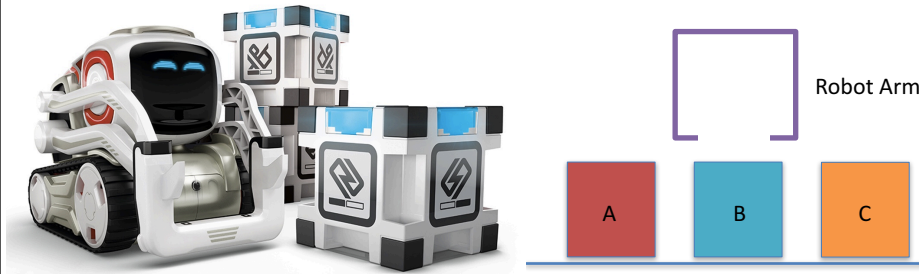


Start state: A, B, C on table

Goal: Block B on C and C on A

Actions: ?

Modeling Block Stacking States



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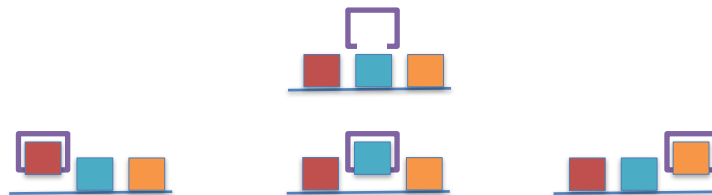
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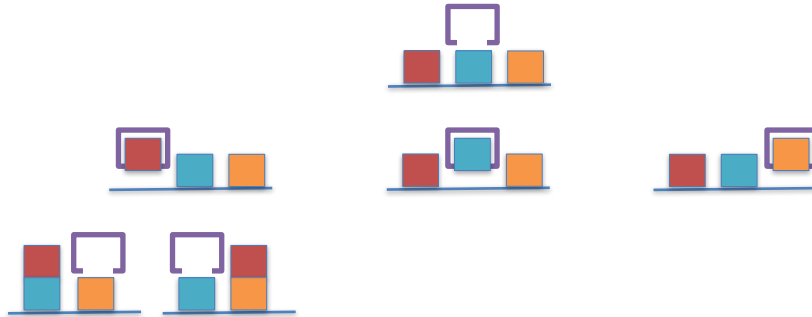
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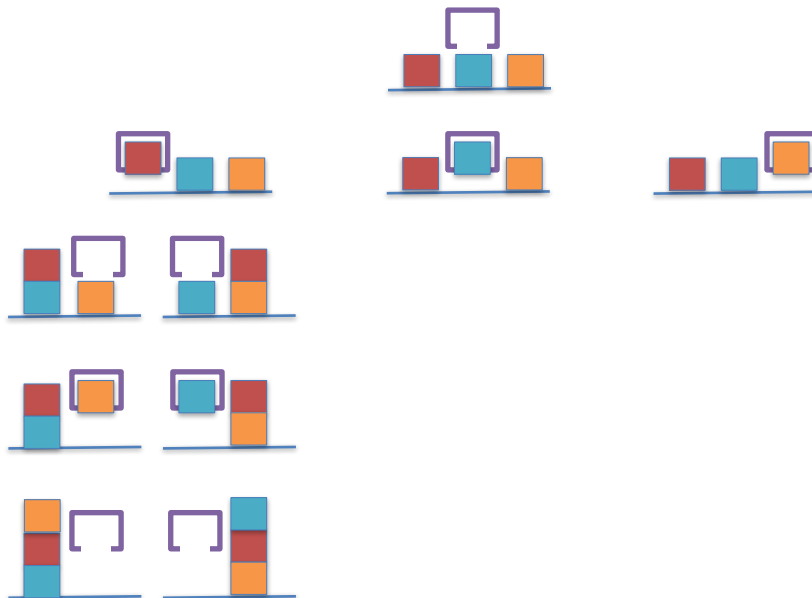
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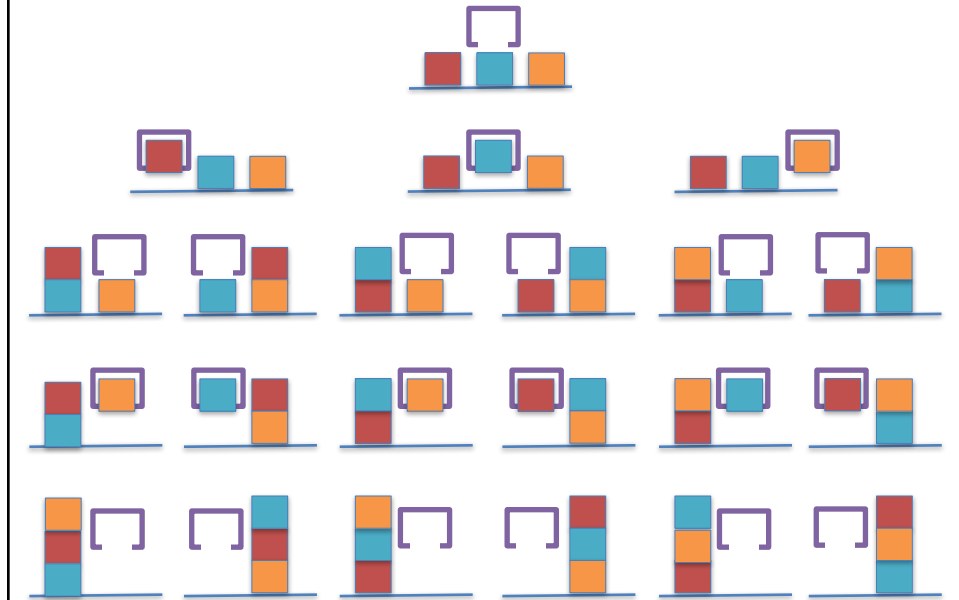
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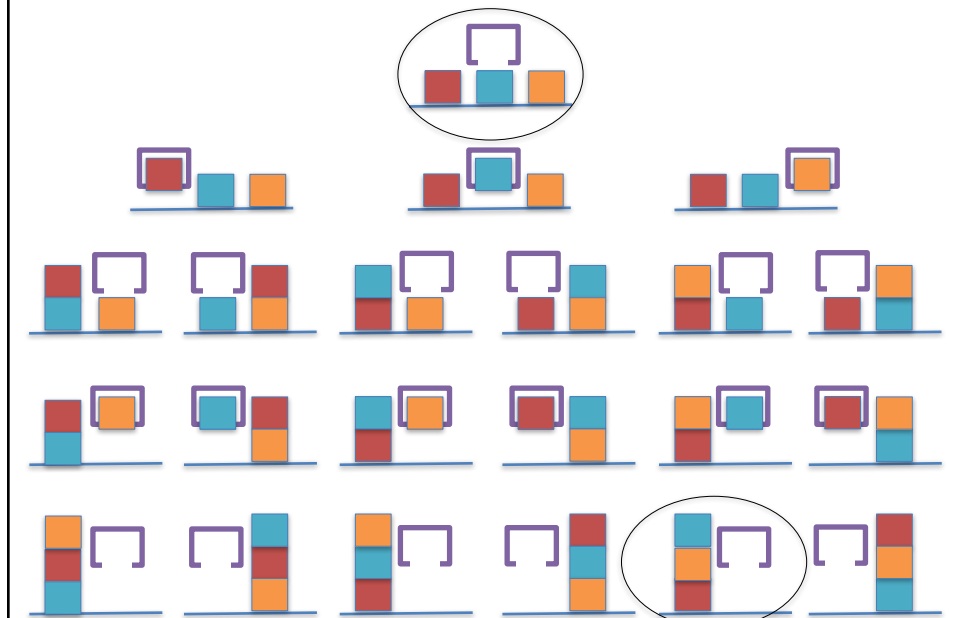
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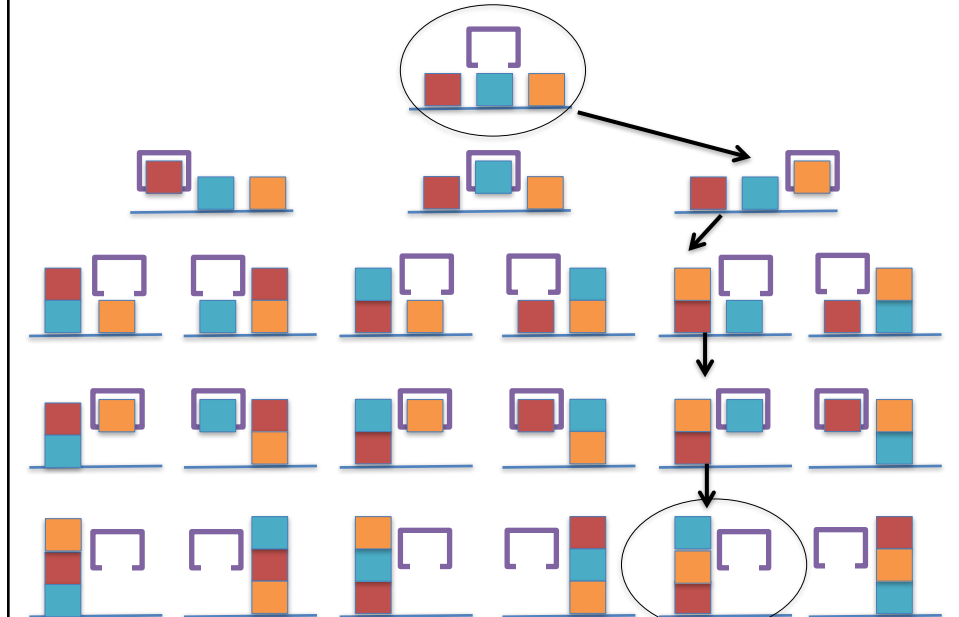
States are Informationless



Initial and Goal States



Plan from Initial to Goal State



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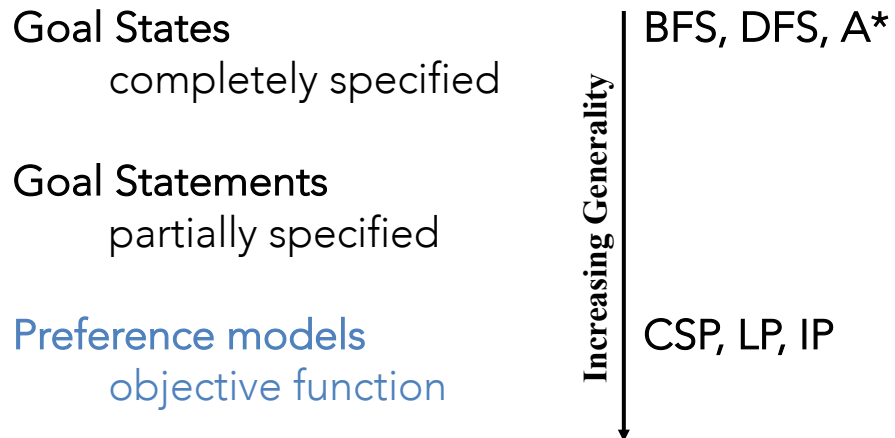
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CSP for Blocks World

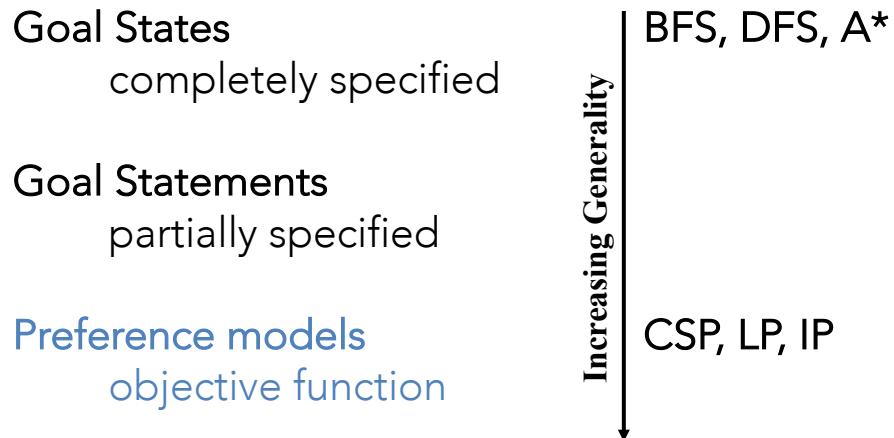
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Constraint Satisfaction Problem:

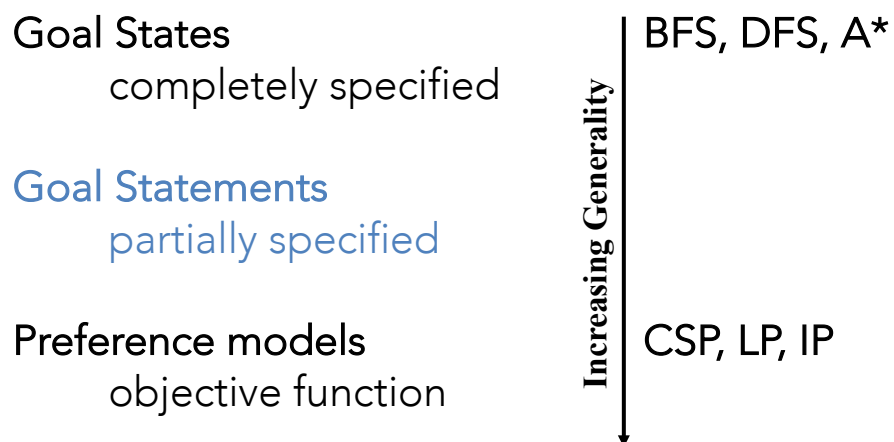
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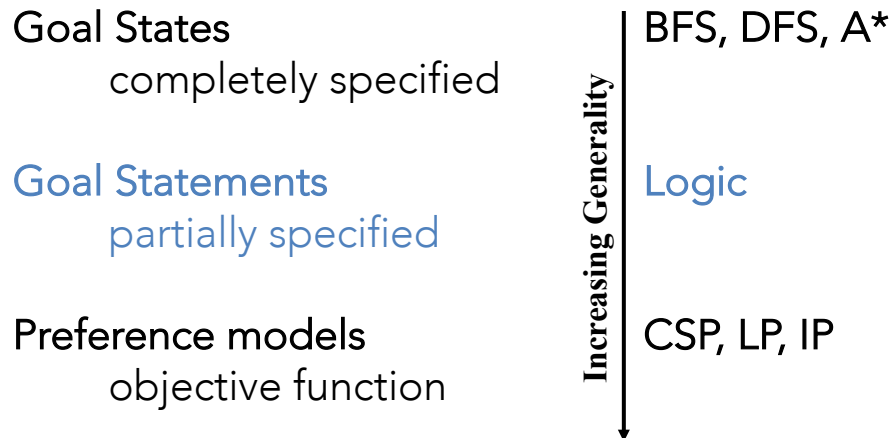
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Logical Agents

Create a Knowledge Base
Symbols
Implications

Logical Agents

Create a Knowledge Base

Symbols – each is true or false

Implications – conjunctions imply new info

Symbolic Descriptions

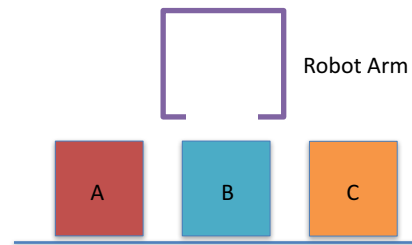
Every state has the same objects

Properties and relationships of those objects
change (i.e., locations)

Define states as set of symbols that represent
whether those properties are true

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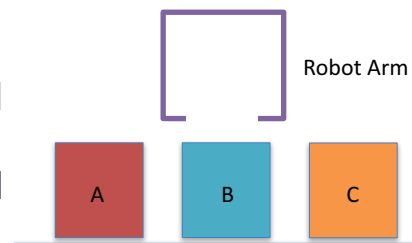
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B-on-Table	B-In-Hand
C-on-Table	C-In-Hand
Hand-Empty	
A-on-B	B-on-A
A-on-C	C-on-A
B-on-C	C-on-B



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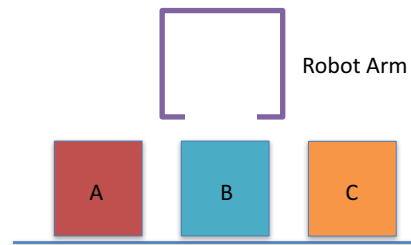
B-on-A

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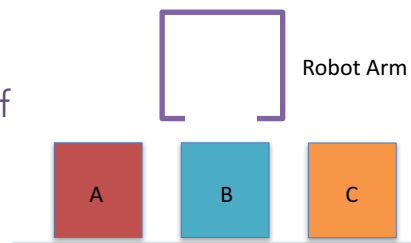
C-on-B



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What are the implications of
A-on-Table[t]?



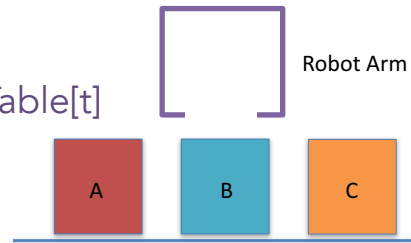
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Hand-Empty[t] AND A-on-Table[t]

$\leftrightarrow$

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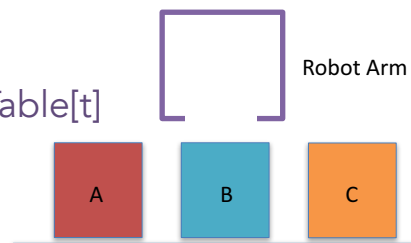
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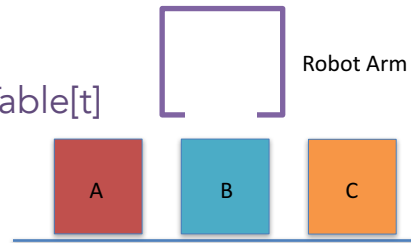
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Is this enough? Need to specify !Hand-Empty[t-1]...

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Query – a subset of symbols in model

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Query – a subset of symbols in model

B-on-C[t] AND C-on-A[t] AND HandEmpty[t]?

Partially-Specified

We didn't tell you what all goal symbols needed to be, only some

There are potentially many goal states that could *satisfy* this goal

We only need to search for one satisfying assignment of variables

Challenges of Logic Planning

We need symbols for each time step

The actions (e.g., picking a block) are implicitly represented as the implications

Easy to incorrectly specify an implication

So many symbols means it is hard to debug

Classical Planning

Also partially-specified

Create a Knowledge Base

~~Symbols~~ Predicates

~~Implications~~ Operators

Check whether the KB entails a query

A goal state (conjunction of predicates)

Predicates

Can be symbols

A-on-Table, A-In-Hand,
B-on-Table, B-In-Hand,
C-on-Table, C-In-Hand,
Hand-Empty,
A-on-B, B-on-A,
A-on-C, C-on-A,
B-on-C, C-on-B
Clear-A, Clear-B,
Clear-C

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Can be functional

Instances: A, B, C

Propositions:

In-Hand(A)
On-Table(B)
On-Block(B,C)
HandEmpty()
Clear(A)

Predicates

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YES!!

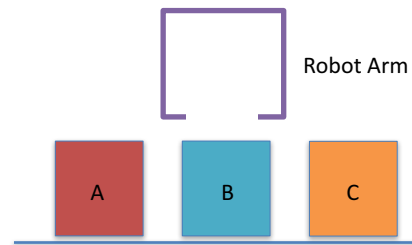
Your challenge is finding a representation
that works for your environment

Piazza Poll – Check all that apply

Instances: A, B, C

Propositions:

- 1) In-Hand(A)
- 2) In-Hand(B)
- 3) In-Hand(C)
- 4) On-Table(A)
- 5) On-Table(B)
- 6) On-Table(C)
- 7) On-Block(B,C)
- 8) On-Block(A,B)
- 9) HandEmpty()

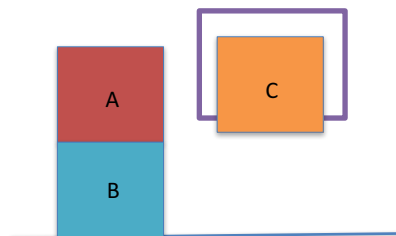


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Models of Operators (Actions)

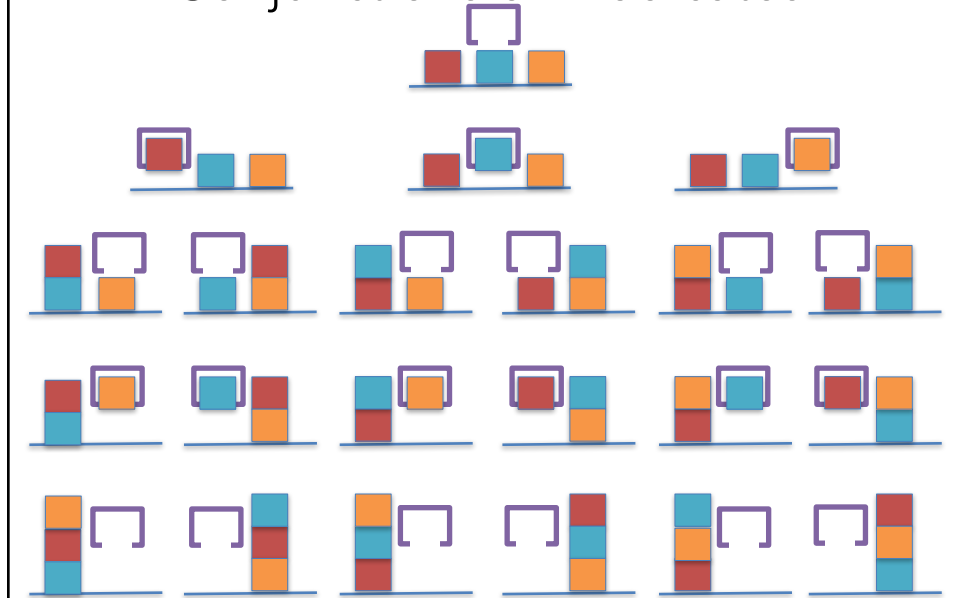
Actions can be applied only if all conditions are met

Actions change the state of the world

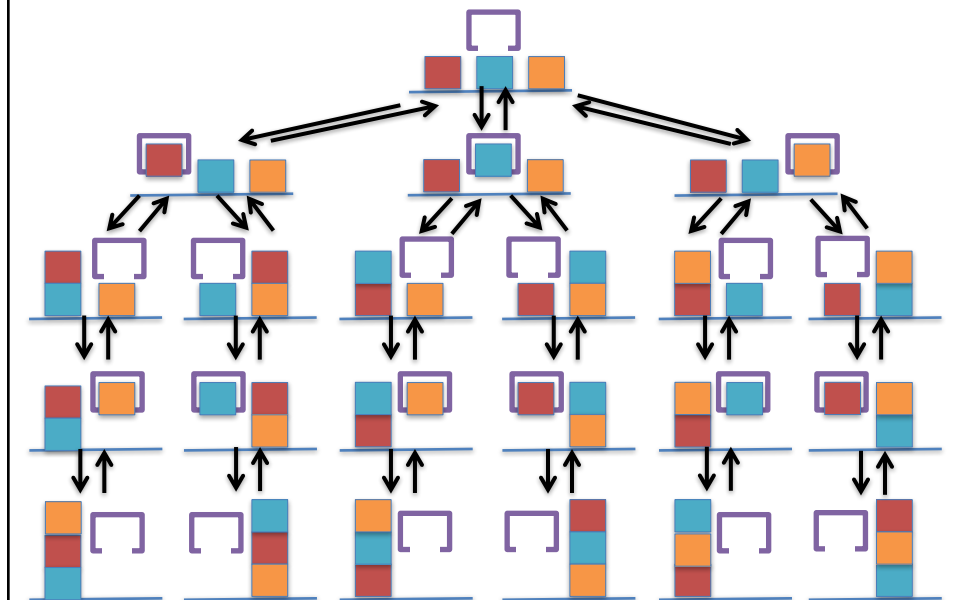
Represented as effects that add/delete predicates

Unlike the implications, we can represent actions with symbolic descriptions (e.g., pick-up, put-down)

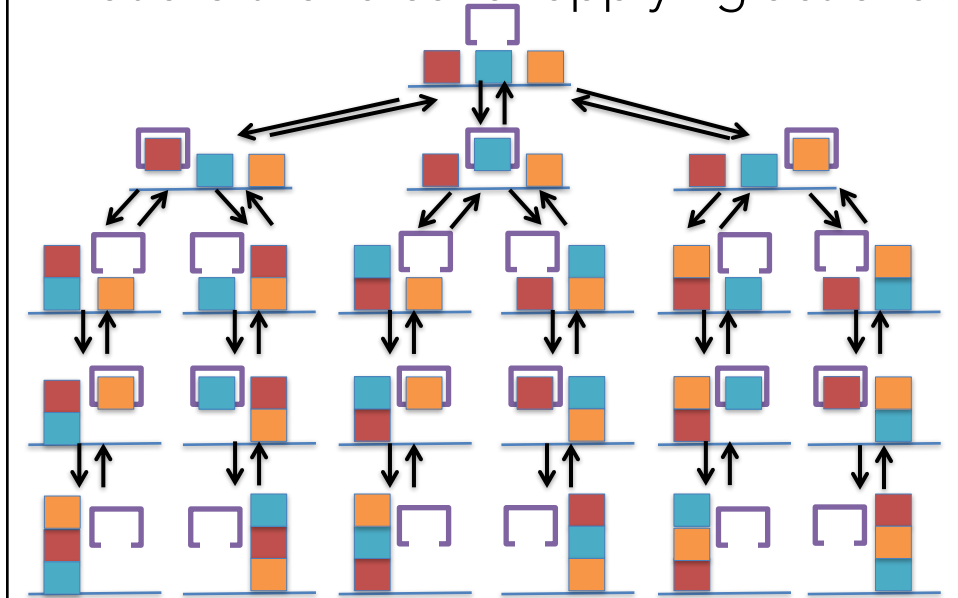
Block Stacking States – Conjunctions of Predicates



Block Stacking Operators (Actions)



What actions are represented?
What are the rules for applying actions?



Actions for Block Stacking



Blocks are picked up and put down by the hand
Blocks can be picked up only if they are clear
Hand can pick up a block only if the hand is empty
Hand can put down blocks on blocks or on the table

Pick Up Block from Table Example



Preconditions

Pick Up Block from Table Example



Preconditions

HandEmpty

On-Table(b)

Clear(b)

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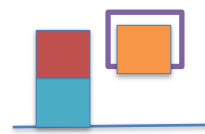


Effects?

Pick Up Block from Table Example



Preconditions
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Effects
 Add: Holding(b)
 Delete: On-Table(b)
 HandEmpty

Pick Block from Block Example



Operators for Block Stacking

Pickup_from_Table(b):

Pre: HandEmpty, Clear(b),
On-Table(b)

Add: Holding(b)

Delete: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)

Pickup_from_Block(b,c):

Pre: HandEmpty, On(b,c), b!=c

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Putdown_on_Table(b):

Pre: Holding(b)
Add: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)
Delete: Holding(b)

Putdown_on_Block(b,c):

Pre: Holding(b), Clear(c)
Add: HandEmpty, On(b,c)
Delete: Clear(c), Holding(b)

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Putdown_on_Block(O,R)
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Properties of Planners

Soundness

- A planning algorithm is **sound** if all solutions found are legal plans
 - All preconditions and goals are satisfied
 - No constraints are violated (temporal, variable binding)

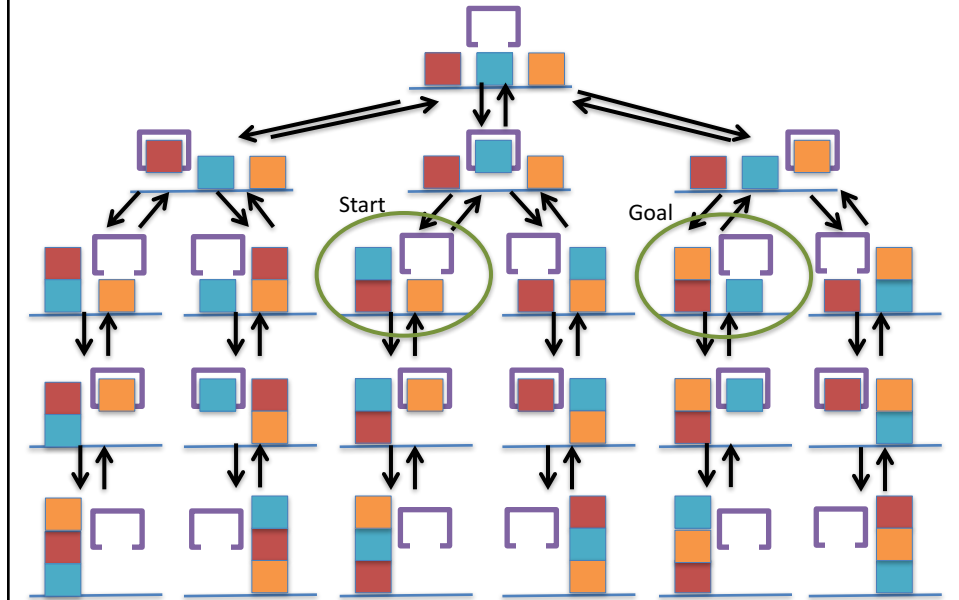
Completeness

- A planning algorithm is **complete** if a solution can be found whenever one actually exists
- A planning algorithm is **strictly complete** if all solutions are included in the search space

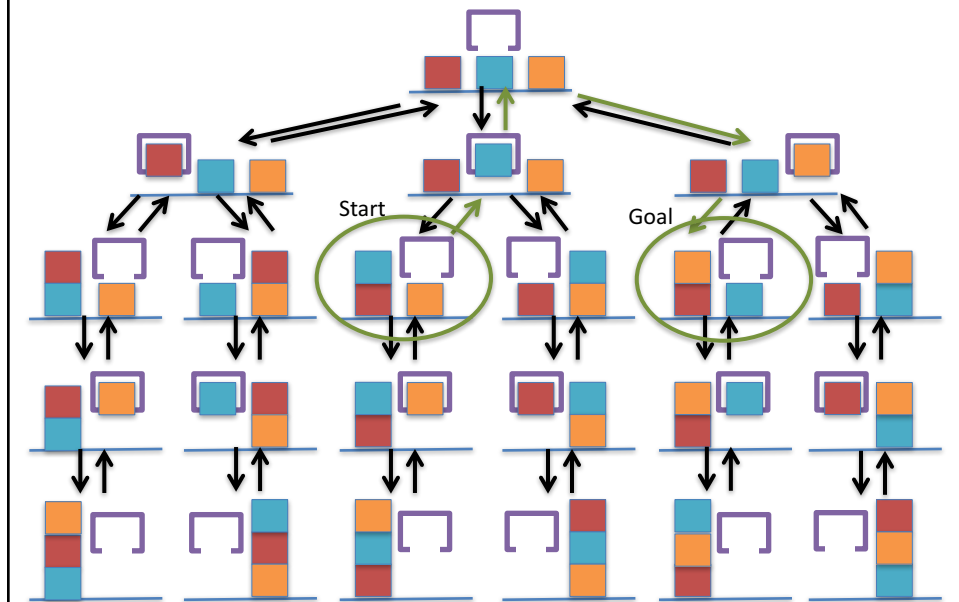
Optimality

- A planning algorithm is **optimal** if the order in which solutions are found is consistent with some measure of plan quality

Techniques for Planning



BFS – Find shortest action sequence



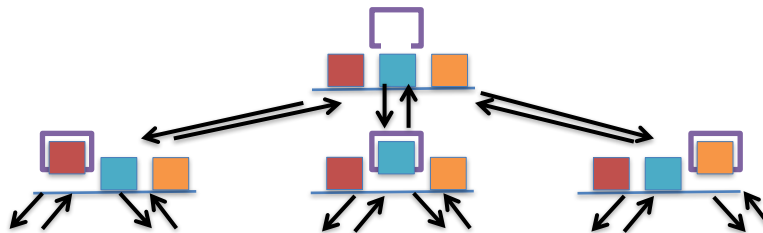
Reachability Graph Representation

States: Conjunctions of Predicates

Arrows = Actions

Every state in level K is *reachable* in K actions

Space complexity in terms of # predicates p ?



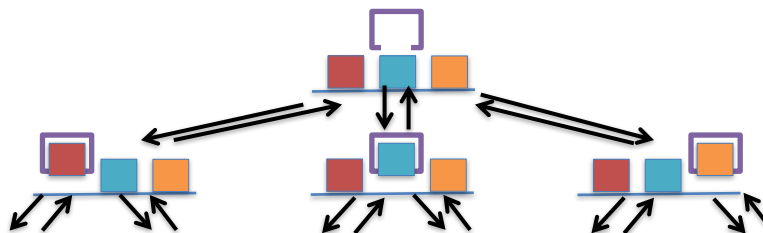
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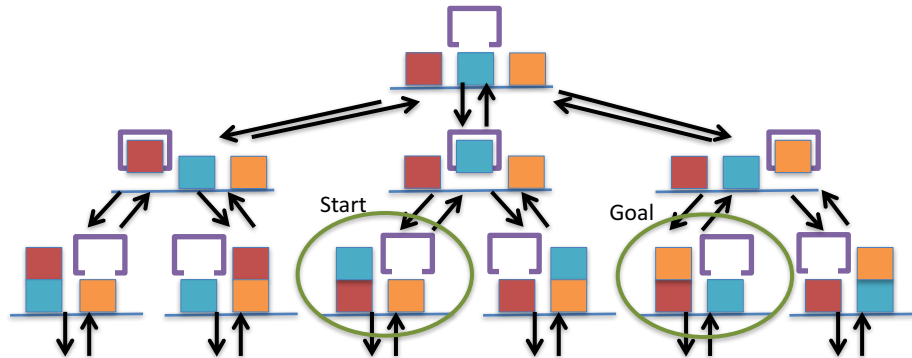
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Poll: Is BFS sound, complete, optimal?



Soundness - all solutions found are legal plans

Completeness - a solution can be found whenever one actually exists

Optimality - the order in which solutions are found is consistent with some measure of plan quality

Linear Planning

Idea: Since we have a conjunction of goal predicates, let's try to solve one at a time

- Maintain a stack of achievable goals
- Use BFS (or anything else) to find a plan to achieve that single goal
- Add a goal back on the stack if a later change makes it violated

Linear Planning Example

Goal Stack: Action Plan:

On-Table(T)
 On-Table(R)
 On(O,R)
 Clear(O)
 Clear(T)



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Linear Planning Example

Goal Stack:

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Linear Planning Example

Goal Stack:

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Action Plan:

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Put-Table(T)

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- Put-Table(T)
- On-Table(R)
- On(O,R)
- Pickup(O)
- Put(O,R)
- Clear(O)
- Clear(T)



Linear Planning Example 2

Goal Stack:

Action Plan:

- On(R,O)
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Clear(R)

Action Plan:

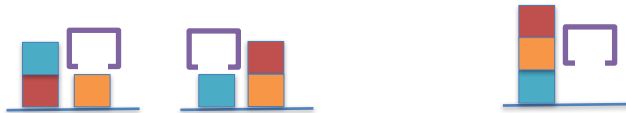
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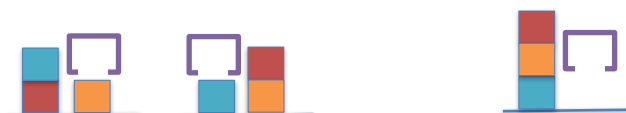
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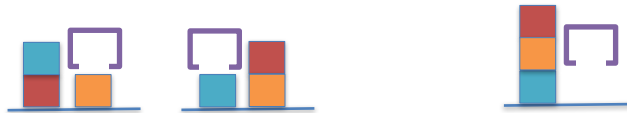
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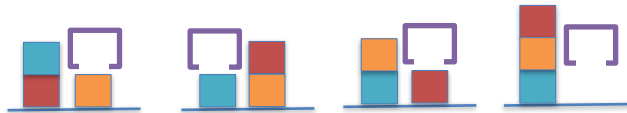
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On(O,T)

Pickup(R)

Put-Table(R)

Pickup(O)

Put(O,T)

Action Plan (cont'd):

On(R,O)

Pickup(R)

Put(R,O)



Linear Planning Example 2

Goal Stack:

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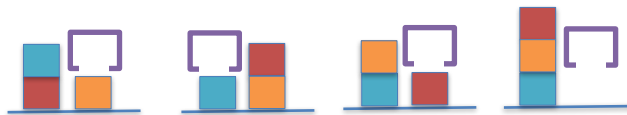
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Pickup(R)

Put-Table(T)

Put(R,O)

Pickup(R)

Clear(R)

Put(R,O)

On-Table(T)

What happened?

On(O,T)

Pickup(R)

Is linear planning sound?

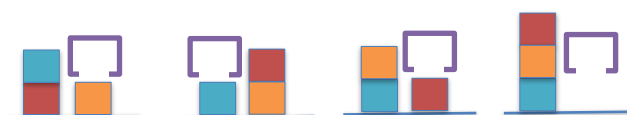
Put-Table(R)

Is linear planning complete?

Pickup(O)

Is linear planning optimal?

Put(O,T)



Sussman's Anomaly

A weakness of linear planning is that
sometimes you get really long plans

One goal can be achieved

The second goal immediately undoes it

Note: This isn't just a choice of goals. The
anomaly happens no matter which goal is first

Linear Planning Example 2

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Action Plan:

Action Plan (cont'd):

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On(R,O)

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Pickup(R)

Put-Table(T)

Put(R,O)

Pickup(R)

Clear(R)

Put(R,O)

What happened?

On-Table(T)

Is linear planning sound? Yes

On(O,T)

Is linear planning complete? No

Pickup(R)

Is linear planning optimal? No

Put-Table(R)

Pickup(O)

Put(O,T)



Non-Linear Planning

Idea: Interleave goals to achieve plans

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Non-Linear Planning (Example 2)

Goal Set:
On(R,O)
On-Table(T)
On(O,T)
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Clear(R)

Action Plan:



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Non-Linear Planning (Example 2)

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Clear(R)	STOP-SWITCH-GOALS
	On(O,T)
	Pickup(O)
	Put(O,T)



Non-Linear Planning (Example 2)

Goal Set:

On(R,O)

On-Table(T)

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Action Plan:

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Pickup(T)

Put-Table(T)

STOP-SWITCH-GOALS

On(O,T)

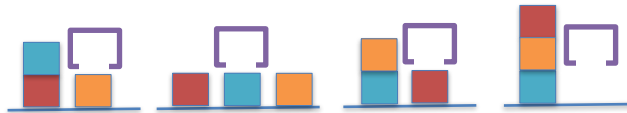
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Put(R,O)



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Put-Table(T)

STOP-SWITCH-GOALS

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Pickup(O)

Put(O,T)

On(R,O)

Pickup(R)

Put(R,O)

6 vs 10 actions



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- It is complete, but takes longer to search
- It can produce shorter plans
 - Optimal plans if all interleavings are searched

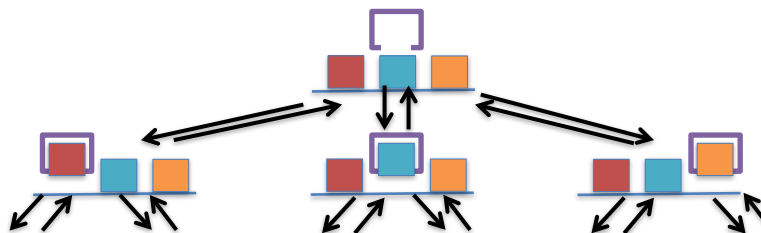
Reachability Graph Representation

States: Conjunctions of Predicates

Arrows = Actions

Every state in level K is *reachable* in K actions

Space complexity in terms of # predicates p ?



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Planning graphs contain two types of layers

Proposition layers – all reachable predicates

Action layers – actions that could be taken

Both layers represent one time step

GraphPlan

Two alternating stages:

- **Extend**: One time step (two layers) in the planning graph
- **Search**: Find a valid plan in the planning graph

GraphPlan finds a plan or proves that no plan has fewer time steps

- Each time step can contain multiple actions

Building a Planning Graph



HandEmpty

On-Table(R)

On-Table(O)

On(T,R)

Clear(T)

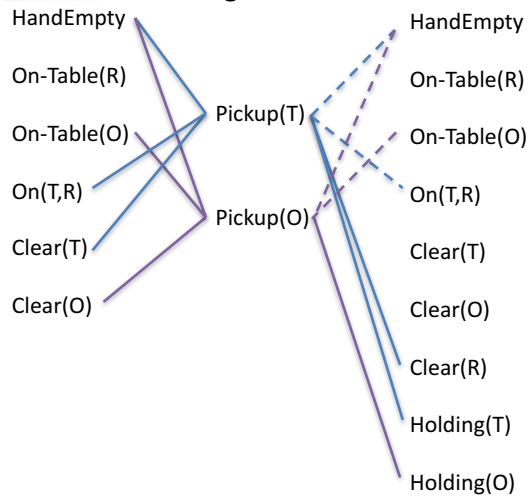
Clear(O)

Start the planning graph with all starting predicates

Building a Planning Graph



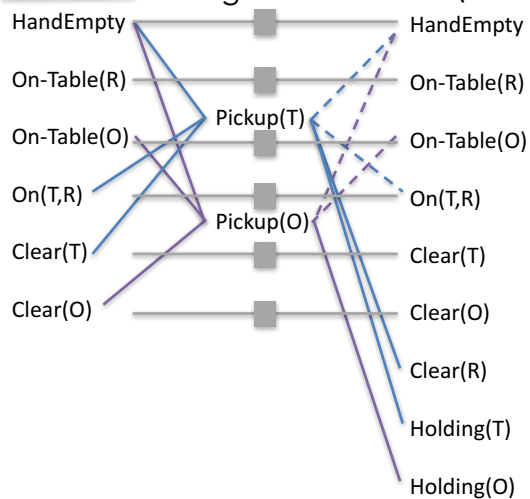
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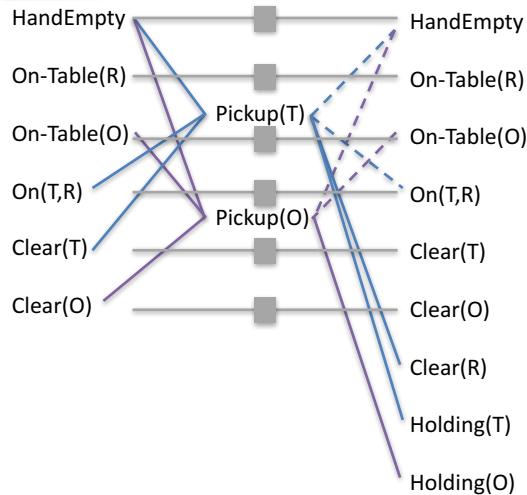
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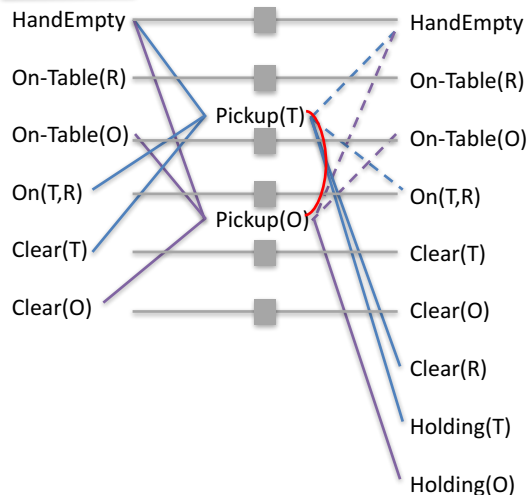
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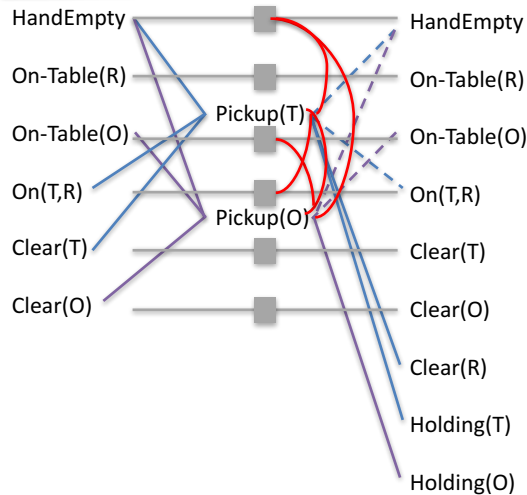
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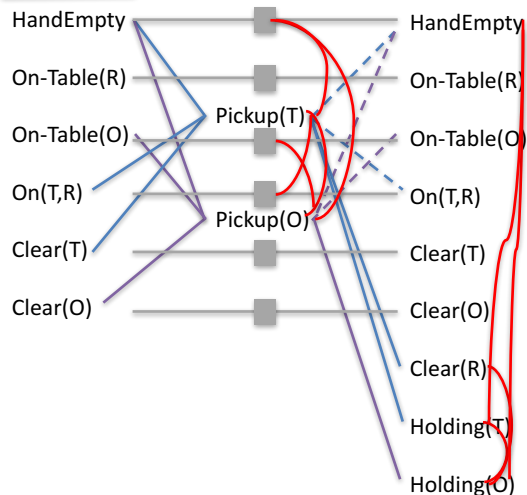
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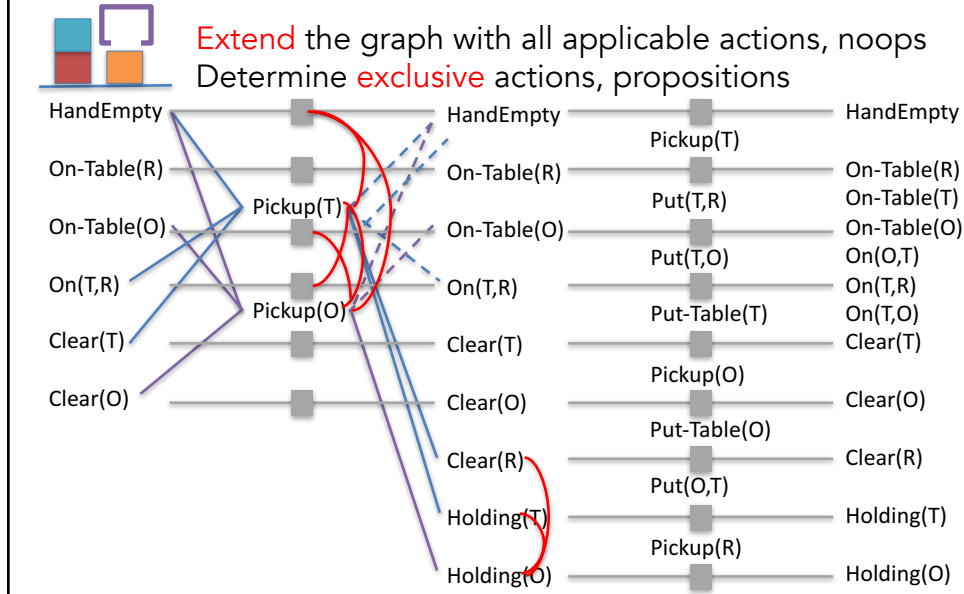


Extend the graph with all applicable actions, noops
Determine **exclusive** actions, propositions

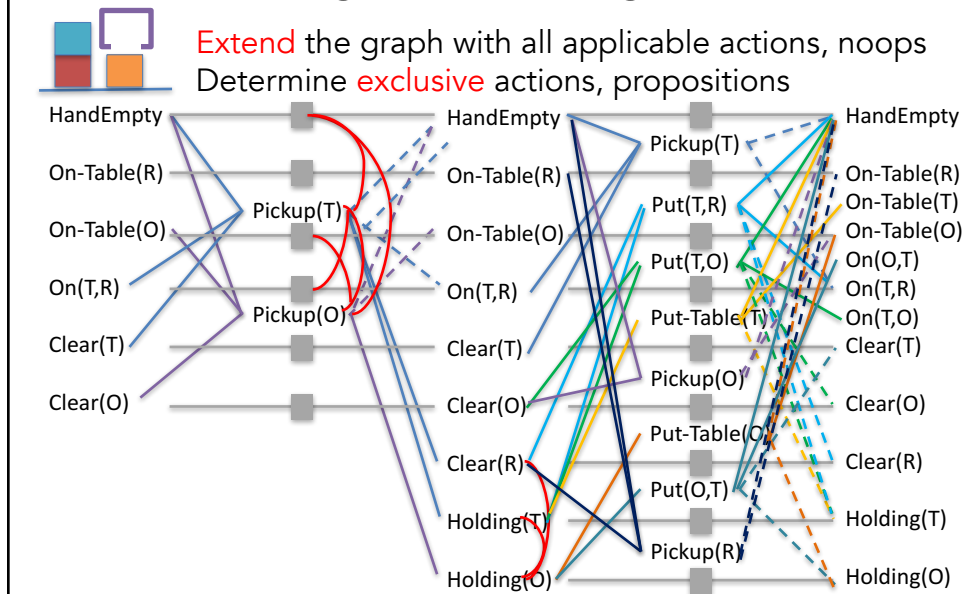


Two propositions p and q are **exclusive (mutex)** at a proposition-level if ALL actions (including no-ops) that add p are exclusive of ALL actions that add q

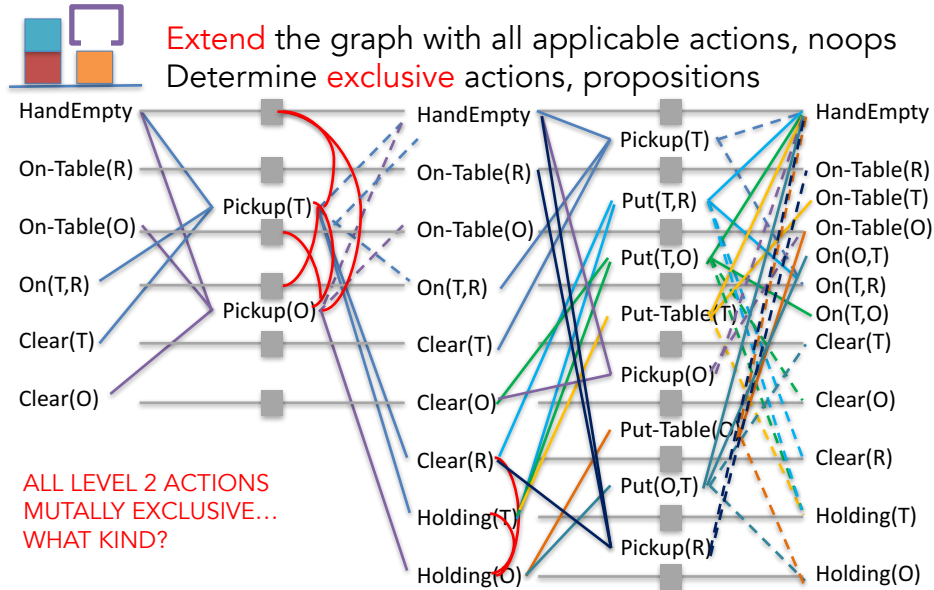
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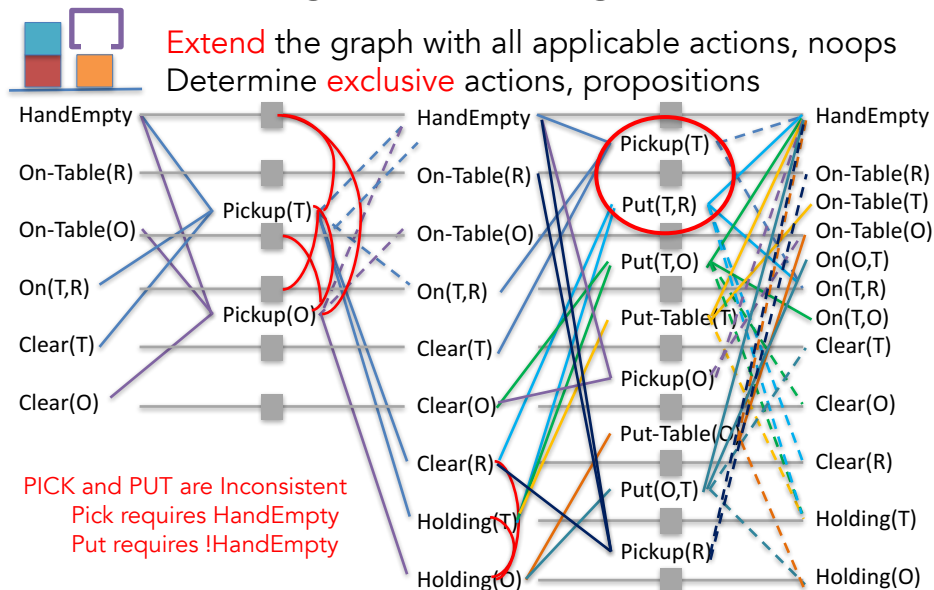
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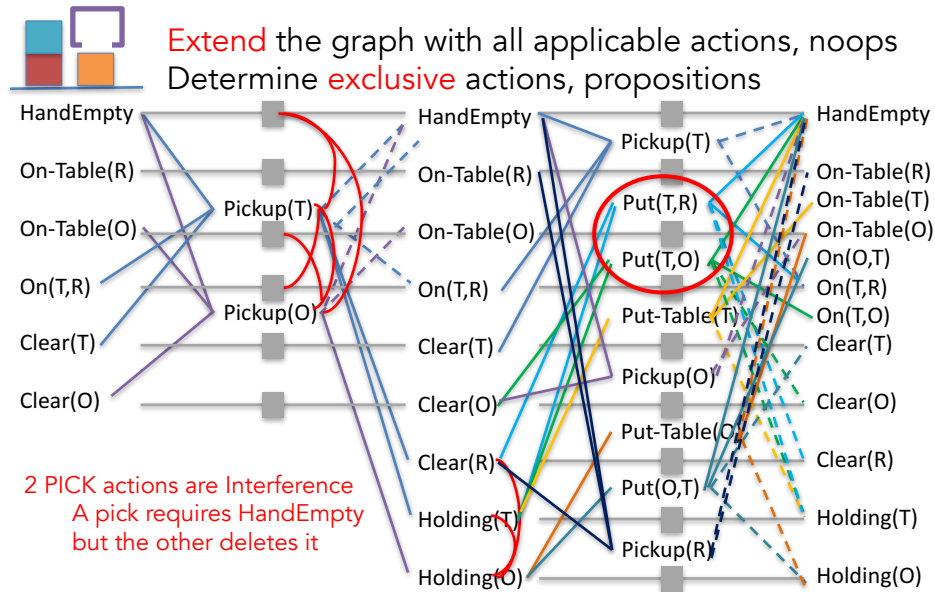
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Planning Graph Heuristics

Key idea: Construct an approximation of the reachability graph in polynomial space

- The planning graph computes the **possibly reachable** states although they aren't necessarily **feasible**

What kinds of heuristics could we apply to the planning graph?

Is the solution GraphPlan finds admissible?

How can we program GraphPlan?

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Literals: Each thing in our model

```
i = Instance("name",TYPE)
```

Variables: Can take on any TYPE thing

```
v_a = Variable("v_name",TYPE)
```

Propositions: Relationships

```
Proposition("relation", v_a)
```

```
Proposition("relation", i)
```

```
Proposition("relation2", v, i)
```

```
Proposition("relation2", v_a, v_b)
```

Example

```

A = Instance("blockA", BLOCK)
B = Instance("blockB", BLOCK)
C = Instance("blockC", BLOCK)
Proposition("on", B, A)
Proposition("on-table", A)
Proposition("on-table", C)
Proposition("clear", B)
Proposition("clear", C)
Proposition("handempty", True)

```



Piazza Poll – Select All

```

A = Instance("blockA", BLOCK)
B = Instance("blockB", BLOCK)
C = Instance("blockC", BLOCK)
a. Proposition("on", B, A)
b. Proposition("on", B, C)
c. Proposition("on-table", A)
d. Proposition("on-table", C)
e. Proposition("clear", B)
f. Proposition("clear", C)

```



How can we program operators?

Operators: the actions we take change state

```
o = Operator("name",
            [], #preconditions
            [], #add effects
            []) # delete effects
```

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```
pickup_table = Operator("pick_table",
                        [Proposition("Handempty", True),
                         Proposition("clear", v_block),
                         Proposition("on-table", v_block)],
                        [Proposition("holding", v_block)],
                        [Proposition("Handempty", True),
                         Proposition("on-table", v_block)]
                        )
```

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pickup_table = Operator("pick_table",
    Lists are conjunctions [Proposition("Handempty", True),
                           Proposition("clear", v_block),
                           Proposition("on-table", v_block)],
    Lists are conjunctions [Proposition("holding", v_block)],
    Lists are conjunctions [Proposition("Handempty", True),
                           Proposition("on-table", v_block)]
    )
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    [Proposition("holding", v_block)],
    [Proposition("Handempty", True),
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pickup_table = Operator("pick_table",
                        [Proposition("Handempty", True),
                         Proposition("clear", v_block),
                         Proposition("on-table", v_block2)],
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                        [Proposition("Handempty", True),
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                        )
```

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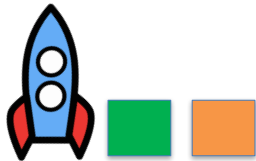
Variables that don't match name don't have to be the same

We will give you a GraphPlan Solver

Solver takes all instances, all operators, the start state and the goal state and produces a plan

Another Example - Rocket Ship

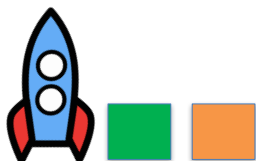
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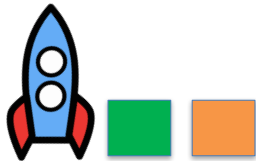
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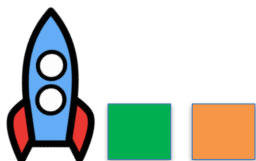
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Goal state:

At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G, LocB), Unloaded(O, LocB)

Move:

Load:

Unload:

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Move:

P:

A:

D:

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Goal state:

At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L)

A:

D:

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At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L)

A:

D:

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Variables: L

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L)

A:

D:

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Variables: L

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L), Has-Fuel()

A:

D:

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At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Variables: L

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L), Has-Fuel()

A: At(Rocket, Dest)

D:

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Move:

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A: At(Rocket, Dest)

D:

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Goal state:

At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Variables: L, Dest

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L), Has-Fuel(), L!=Dest

A: At(Rocket, Dest)

D:

Another Example - Rocket Ship

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At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Variables: L, Dest

Move:

P: At(Rocket,L), Has-Fuel(), L!=Dest

A: At(Rocket, Dest)

D: Has-Fuel(), At(Rocket, L)

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Variables: L, Dest

Load:

P:

A:

D:

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At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Variables: L, Dest

Load:

P: At(Rocket,L), Unloaded(Pkg,L)

A:

D:

Another Example - Rocket Ship

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Start state:

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Unloaded(G,LocA), Unloaded(O,LocA)

Goal state:

At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G,LocB), Unloaded(O,LocB)

Variables: L, Dest

Load:

P: At(Rocket,**L**), Unloaded(Pkg,**L**)

A:

D:

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Variables: L, Dest, Pkg

Load:

P: At(Rocket,L), Unloaded(**P**kg,L)

A:

D:

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Variables: L, Dest, Pkg

Load:

P: At(Rocket,L), Unloaded(Pkg,L)

A: Loaded(Pkg,Rocket)

D: Unloaded(Pkg,L)

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At(Rocket, LocB), Unloaded(G, LocB), Unloaded(O, LocB)

Variables: L, Dest, Pkg

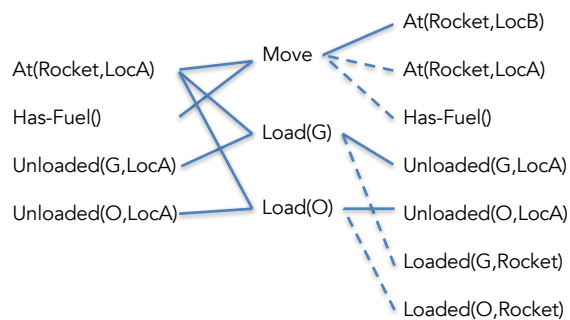
Unload:

P: At(Rocket, Dest), Loaded(Pkg, Rocket)

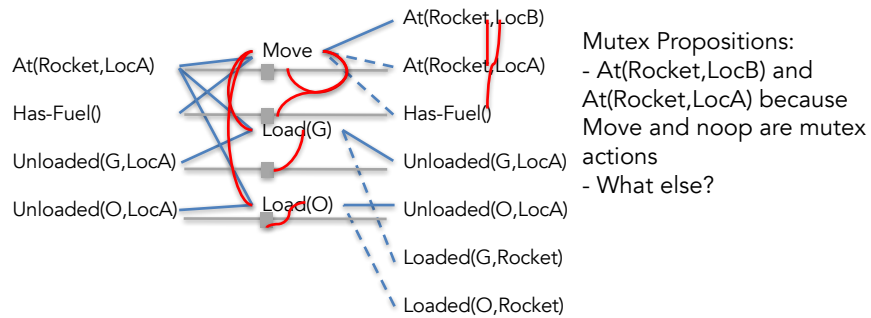
A: Unloaded(Pkg, Dest)

D: Loaded(Pkg, Rocket)

Rocket Ship Planning Graph



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Mutex Propositions:
 - At(Rocket, LocB) and At(Rocket, LocA) because Move and noop are mutex actions
 - What else?

Mutex Actions

Interference:

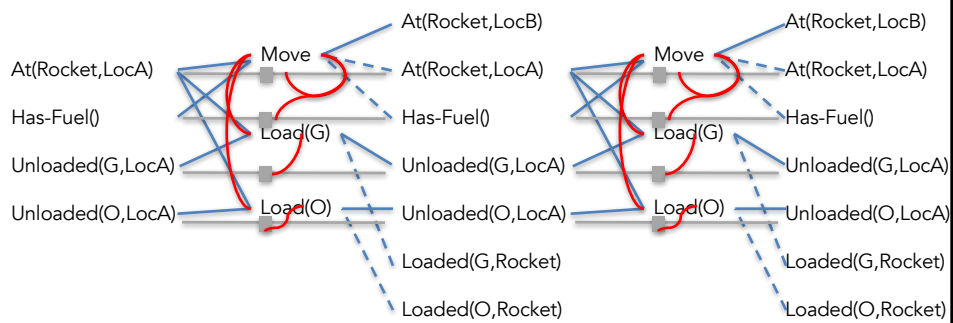
Move deletes At which is a precondition of Load

Inconsistent:

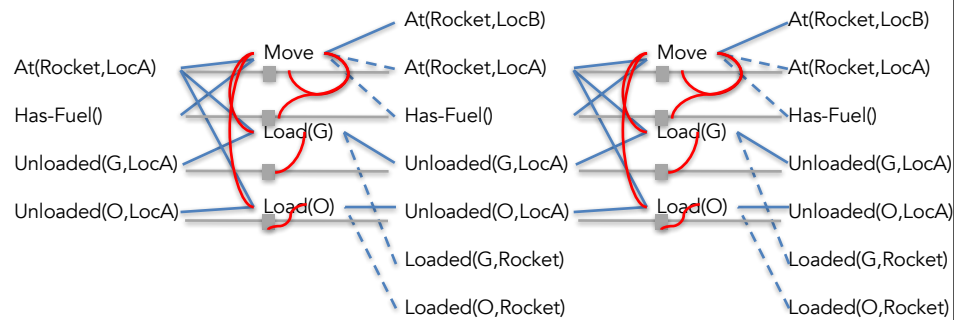
Move deletes At but noop adds it

Move deletes Has-Fuel but noop adds it

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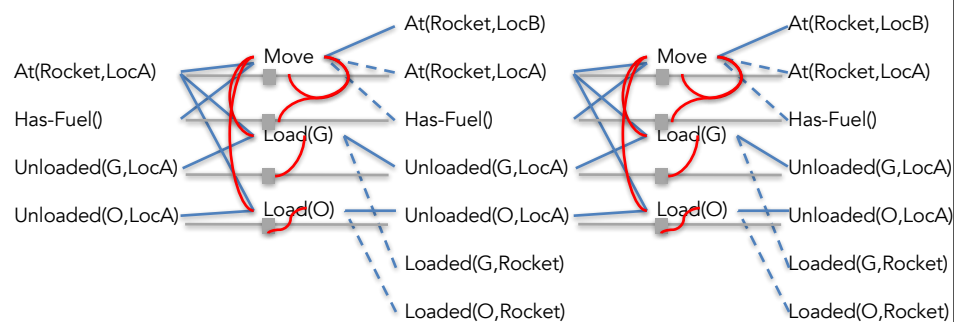


At time 1: Move can be performed OR both Load actions

At time 2: Possible plans include:

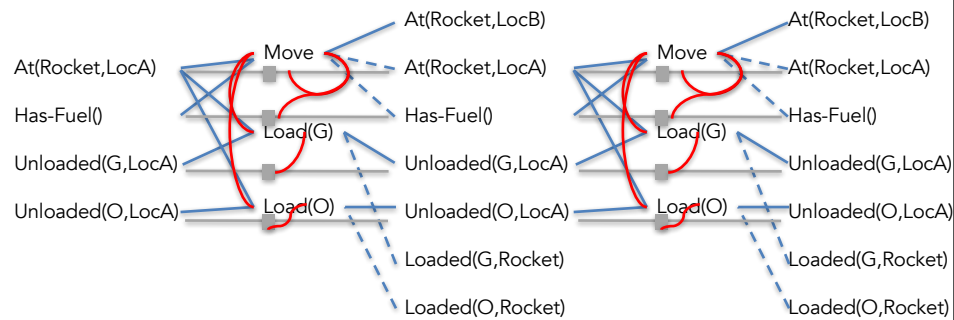
- Load(G), Load(O), Move(LocB)
- Load(G), Move(LocB)
- Load(O), Move(LocB)

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At time 3: What will happen?

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At time 3: What will happen?

Is the planning graph estimate of 3 timesteps admissible?

Are there other admissible heuristics that could use the planning graph?

Planning, Thus Far

Goal States

completely specified

Goal Statements

partially specified

Preference models

objective function

Increasing Generality
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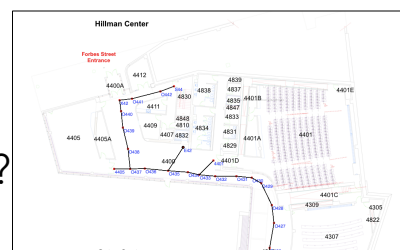
Classical Planning

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Once you have the sequence of locations, how does it plan a path to each destination?

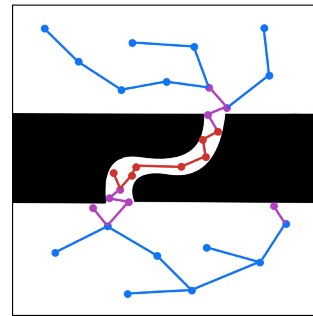
BFS



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Once the robot has a list of locations to navigate, how does it get there?



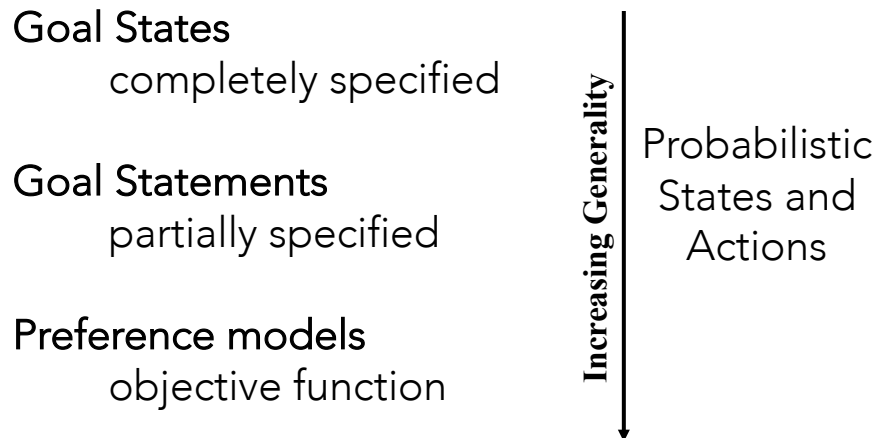
Motor motion control
Rapidly-exploring Random Trees (obstacles)

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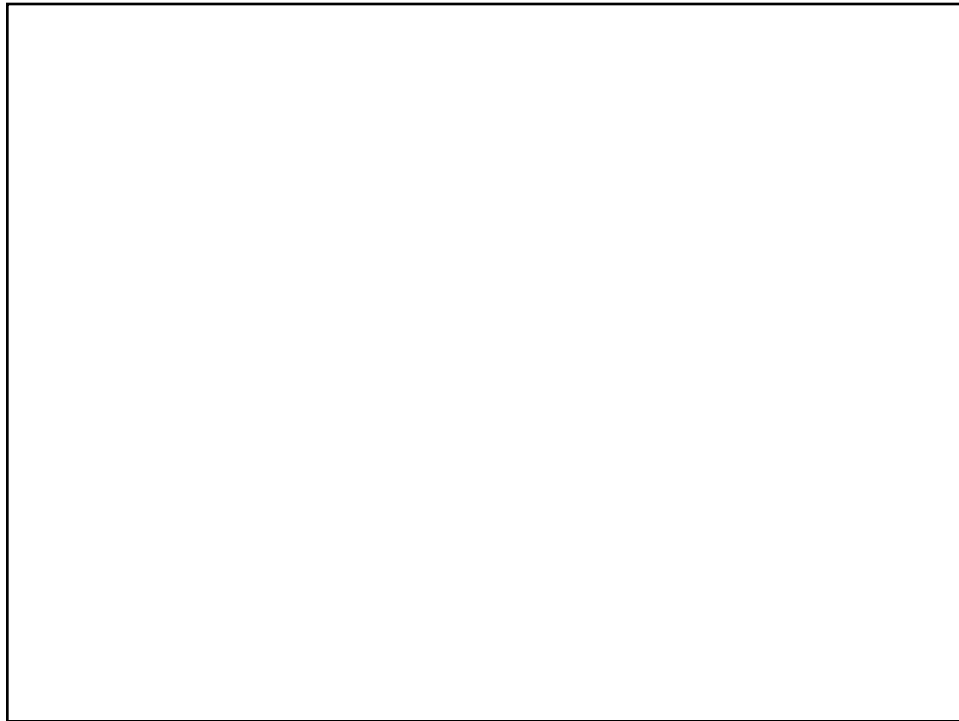
Hierarchical Planning:
High-level: classical
Mid-level: BFS
Low-level: motors

Planning, Thus Far



Summary

- Informationless states and actions
 - Easy to program
 - Can take a lot of memory
 - Hard to change the problem (e.g., adding a block)
- Predicates and Properties
 - Potentially avoids the memory issues
 - Many alternate definitions
 - Need separate actions for different conditions
- Other concerns like uncertainty unmodeled



Another Example: Getting Dressed

States?

Actions?

Goal?

Another Example: Robot Navigation

States?

Actions?

Goal?