

# COMP90054 Workshop 2

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# Recap

- Blind search: only use basic search algorithm (BFS, DFS, ID)

|            | Complete | Optimal | Time Complexity | Space Complexity |
|------------|----------|---------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>BFS</b> | T        | T*      | $O(b^d)$        | $O(b^d)$         |
| <b>DFS</b> | F        | F       | infinity        | $O(b^*d)$        |
| <b>ID</b>  | T        | T*      | $O(b^d)$        | $O(b^*d)$        |

**b = branching factor, d = depth of the optimal path**

- Heuristic Search: additionally use the heuristic function to estimate the remaining cost (distance) to the goal state

# A few notations for heuristic search

- $s, s', a, c(a)$
- $n = \langle s, f(n), g(n), n_{parent} \rangle$
- $h \leftrightarrow h(s), h^* \leftrightarrow h^*(s)$

- **Uniform cost search:**  $f(n) = g(n)$
- Greedy:  $f(n) = h(s)$
- $A^*$ :  $f(n) = h(s) + g(n)$
- $WA^*$ :  $f(n) = W * h(s) + g(n)$

# Weighted A\*

- $f(n) = g(n) + w * h(s)$
- If  $w == 0$ :  $f(n) = g(n) \Rightarrow$  uniform cost
- If  $w == 1$ :  $f(n) = g(n) + h(s) \Rightarrow A^*$
- If  $w == \text{infinite}$ :  $f(n) = h(s) \Rightarrow$  Greedy

# Properties of Heuristic functions

**Definition (Safe/Goal-Aware/Admissible/Consistent).** Let  $\Pi$  be a planning task with state space  $\Theta_{\Pi} = (S, L, c, T, I, S^G)$ , and let  $h$  be a heuristic for  $\Pi$ . The heuristic is called:

- **safe** if  $h^*(s) = \infty$  for all  $s \in S$  with  $h(s) = \infty$ ;
- **goal-aware** if  $h(s) = 0$  for all goal states  $s \in S^G$ ;
- **admissible** if  $h(s) \leq h^*(s)$  for all  $s \in S$ ;
- **consistent** if  $h(s) \leq h(s') + c(a)$  for all transitions  $s \xrightarrow{a} s'$ .

# Relationships between properties

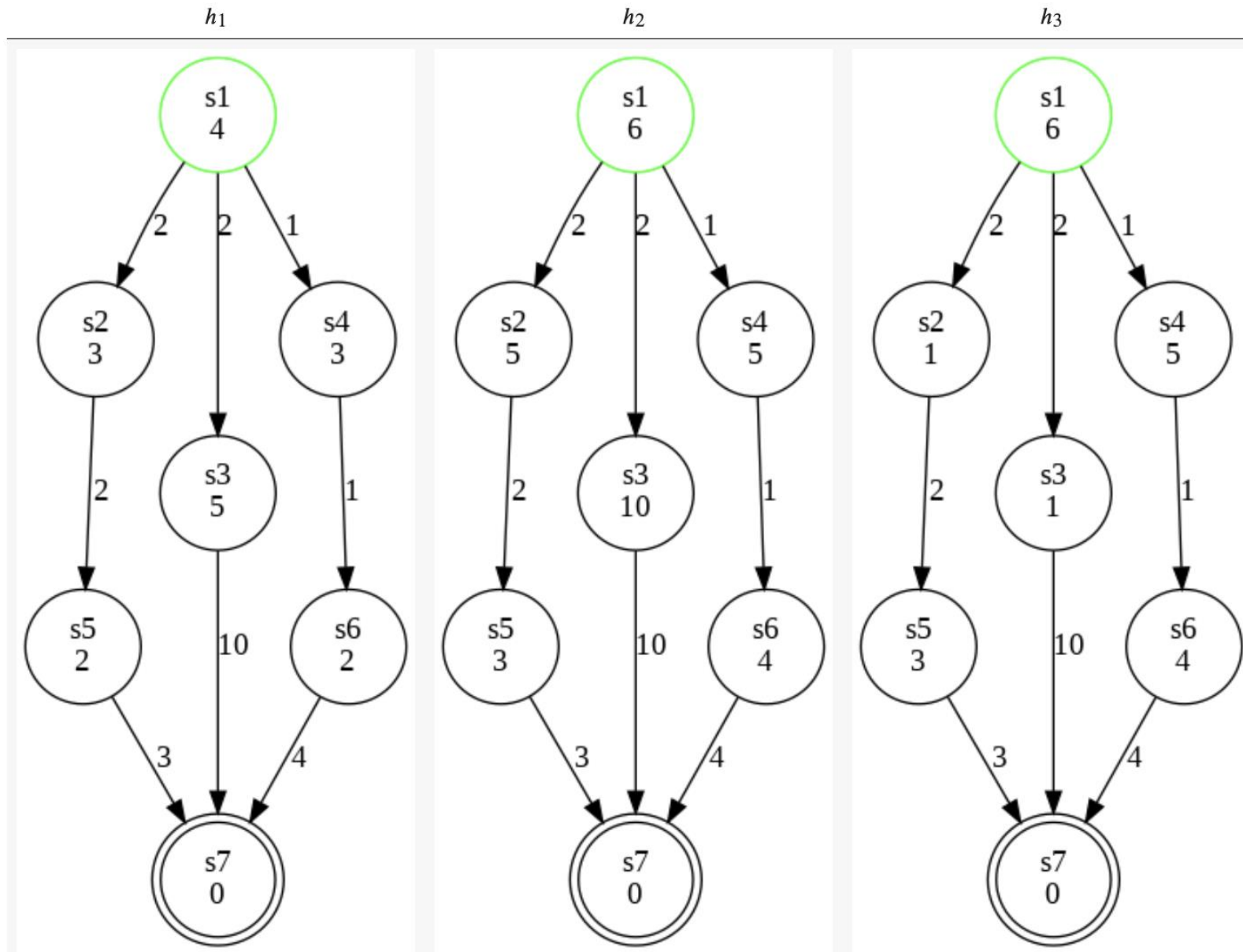
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# Dominant Relation

- If heuristic  $h_1$  dominates heuristic  $h_2$ :
- Then we will have  $h_1(s) \geq h_2(s)$ , for all  $s$  belongs to state space  $S$
- And both  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  need to be admissible

# Problem 1

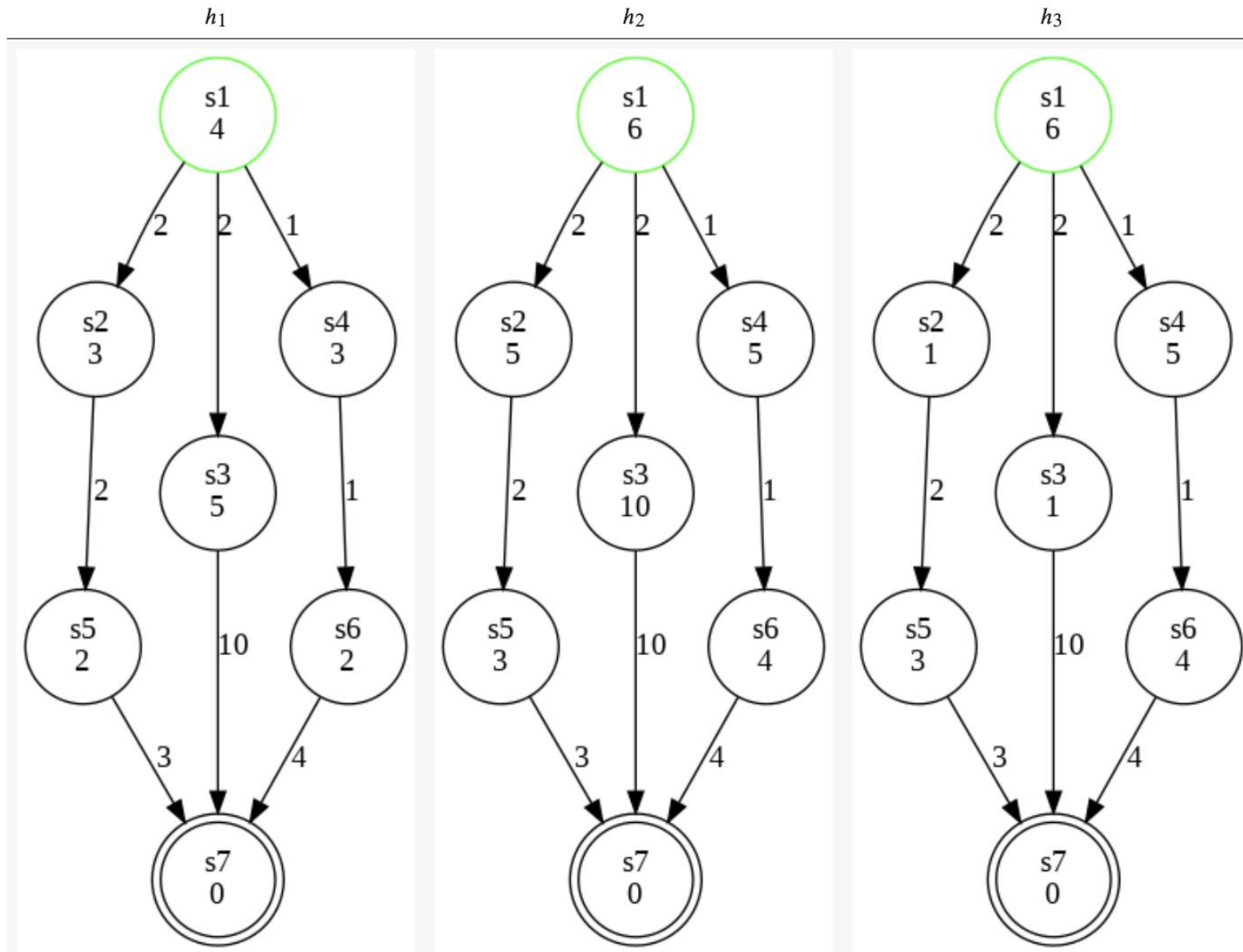




# Task 1

- Which heuristics are admissible?
  - Which are consistent?
  - Does any of the heuristics dominate any other?
- *admissible* if  $h(s) \leq h^*(s)$  for all  $s \in S$  ;
  - *consistent* if  $h(s) \leq h(s') + c(a)$  for all transitions  $s \xrightarrow{a} s'$ .

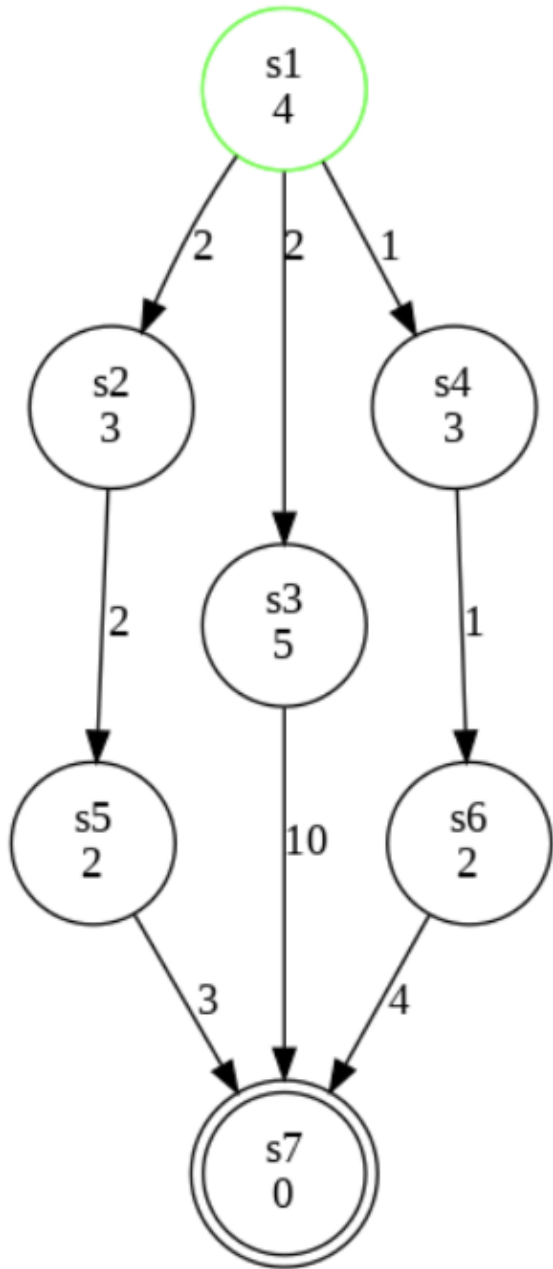
# Problem 1



## Task 2

- Choose one Heuristic and perform A\*
- Choose one Heuristic and perform Greedy
- Choose one Heuristic and perform WA\*

$h_1$

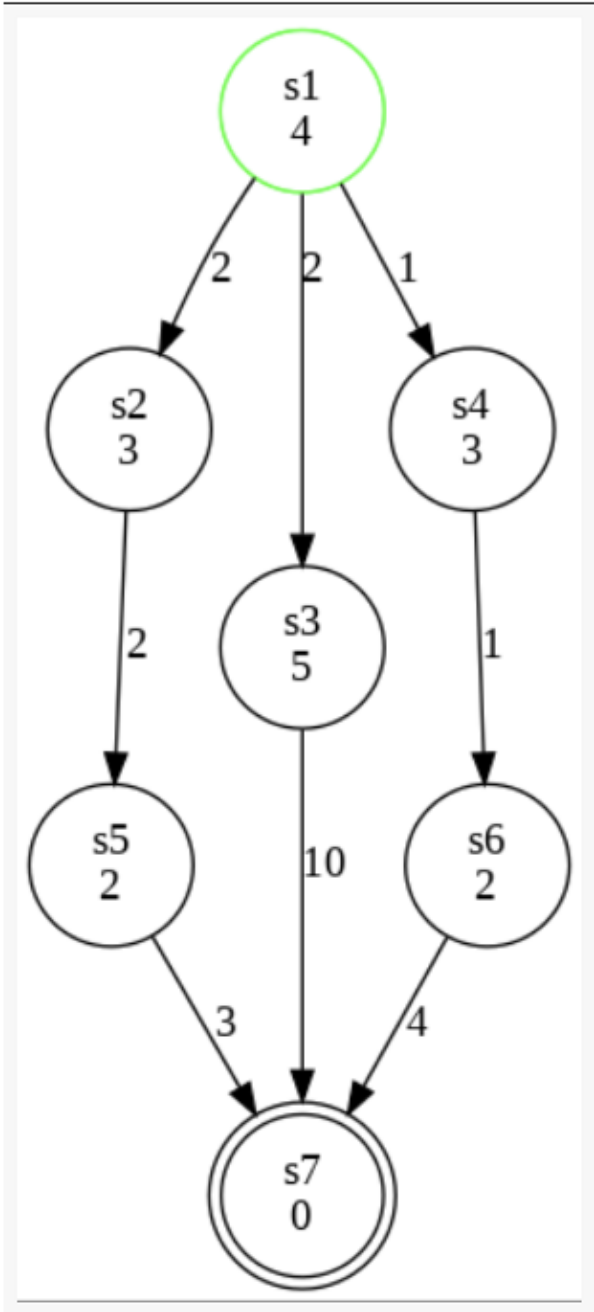


## Node expansion order of A\*, $h_1$

When pop up a node from the data structure:

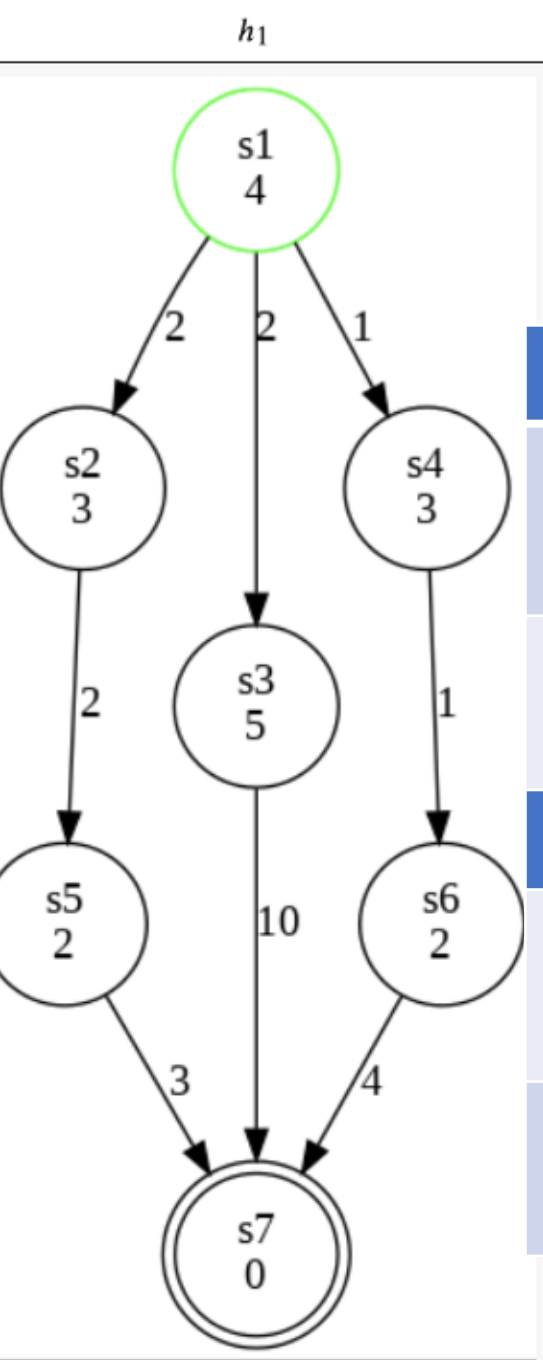
1. Check if current node  $n$  contains the goal state
2. Generate children nodes, and put into data structure

$h_1$



# Node expansion order of A\*, $h_1$

|        | I0   | I1   | I2 |
|--------|--|--|----|
| Open   | $n_0 = \langle s_1, 4, 0, \text{null} \rangle$ | $n_1 = \langle s_2, ?, ?, n_0 \rangle$<br>$n_2 = \langle s_3, ?, ?, n_0 \rangle$<br>$n_3 = \langle s_4, ?, ?, n_0 \rangle$ |    |
| Closed |  | $n_0$  |    |
|        | I3   | I4   | I5 |
| Open   |  |  |    |
| Closed |  |  |    |



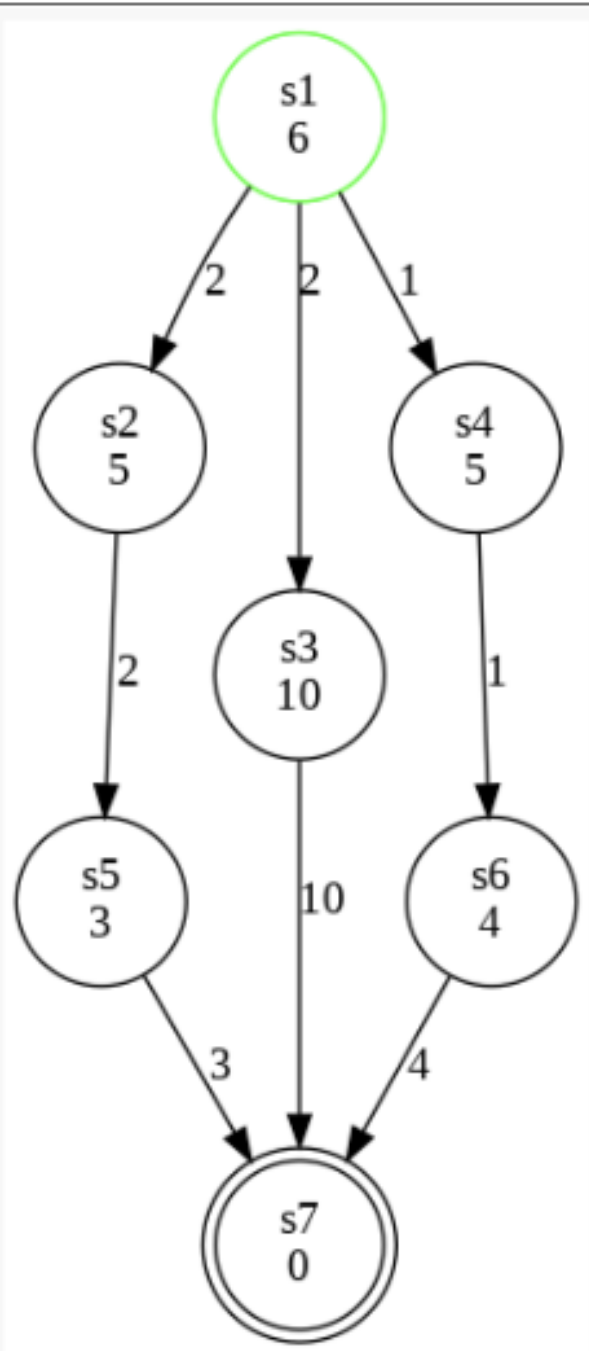
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|        | I0  | I1  | I2  |
|--------|---|---|---|
| Open   | $n0 = \langle s1, 4, 0, \text{null} \rangle$  | $n1 = \langle s2, 5, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n2 = \langle s3, 7, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n3 = \langle s4, 4, 1, n0 \rangle$ | $n1 = \langle s2, 5, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n2 = \langle s3, 7, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n4 = \langle s6, 4, 2, n3 \rangle$ |
| Closed |   | $n0$  | $n0, n3$  |
|        | I3  | I4  | I5  |
| Open   | $n1 = \langle s2, 5, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n2 = \langle s3, 7, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n5 = \langle s7, 6, 6, n4 \rangle$ | $n6 = \langle s5, 6, 4, n1 \rangle$<br>$n2 = \langle s3, 7, 2, n0 \rangle$<br>$n5 = \langle s7, 6, 6, n4 \rangle$ |   |
| Closed | $n0, n3, n4$  | $n0, n1, n3, n4$  | $n0, n1, n3, n4, n5$  |

## Task 2

- Choose  $h_2$  and perform  $A^*$
- Choose  $h_2$  and perform Greedy
- Choose  $h_2$  and perform  $WA^*$ , weight =2

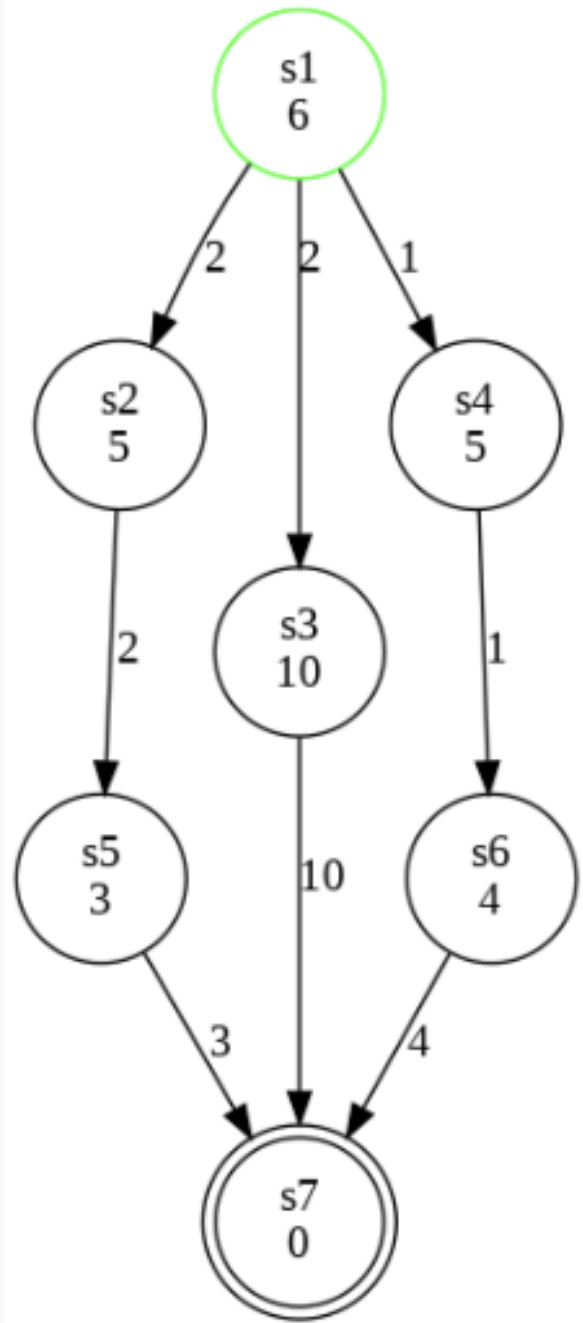
$h_2$



## Node expansion order of A\*, $h_2$

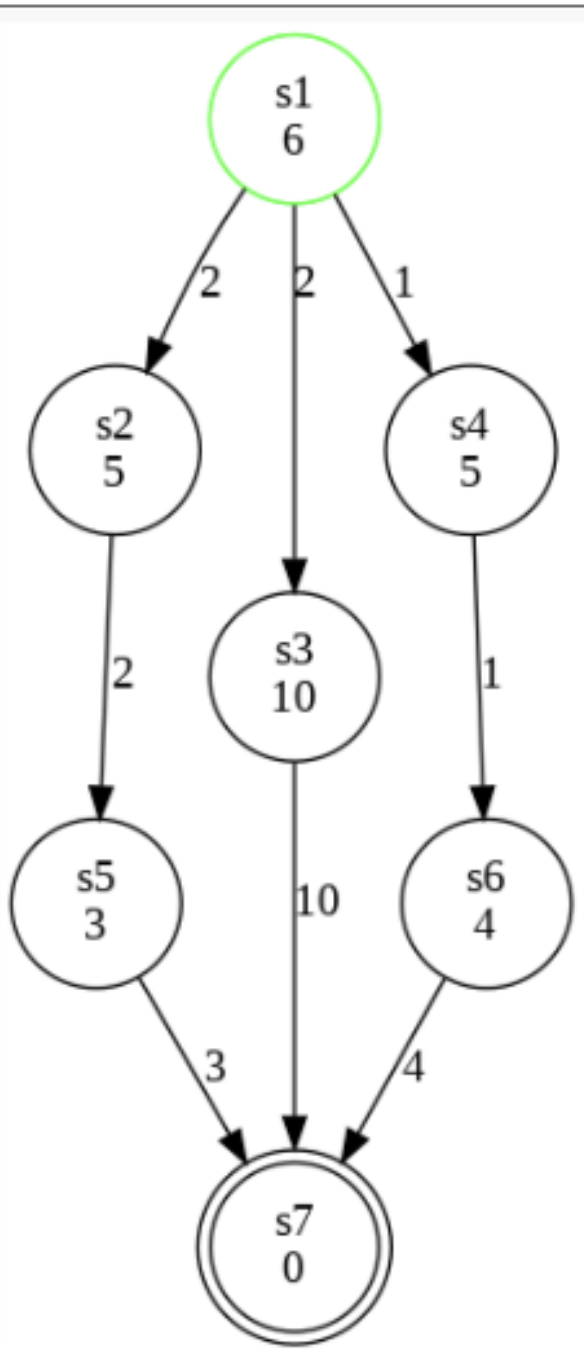
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nodes = [  
    # (state, fn, accumulated cost,  
    id of parent node)  
    ('s1', 6, 0, None),  
    ('s4', 6, 1, 0),  
    ('s6', 6, 2, 1),  
    ('s7', 6, 6, 2)  
]
```



$h_2$ 

## Node expansion order of Greedy, $h_2$

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nodes = [  
    # (state, fn, accumulated cost, id  
    of parent node)  
    ('s1', 6, 0, None),  
    ('s4', 5, 1, 0),  
    ('s6', 4, 2, 1),  
    ('s7', 0, 6, 2)  
]
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$h_2$ 

## Node expansion order of WA\*, $h_2$

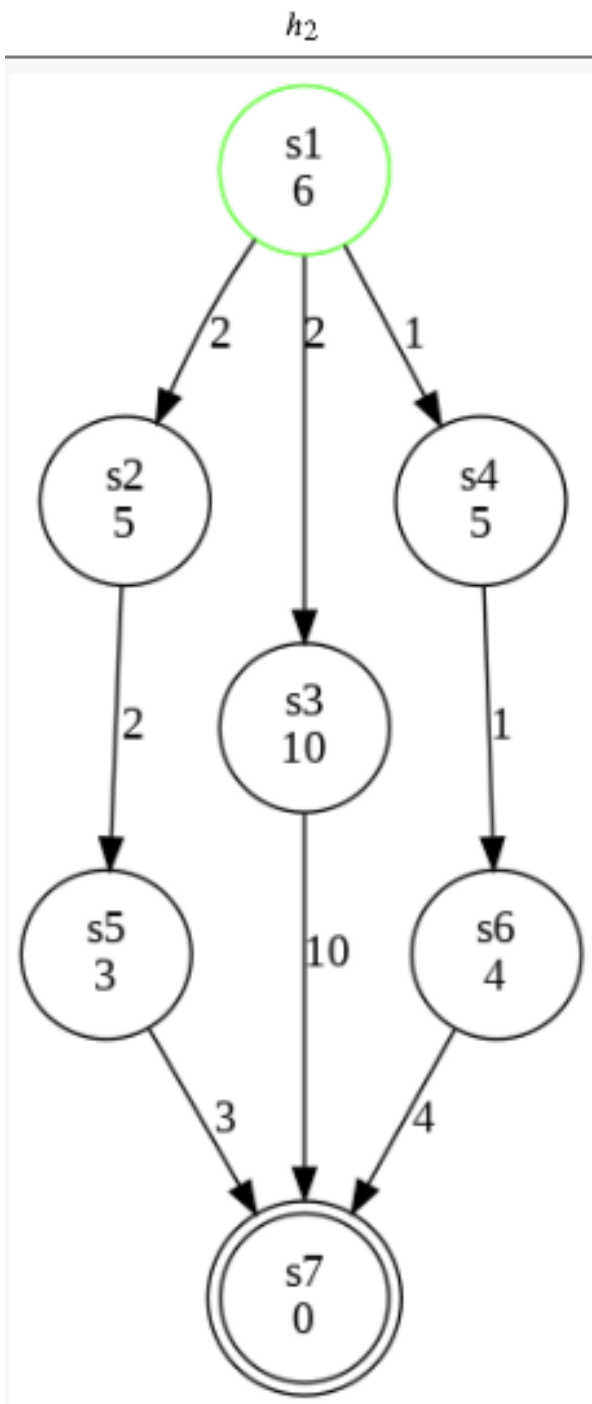
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nodes = [  
    # (state, fn, accumulated cost,  
    id of parent node)  
    ('s1', 12, 0, None),  
    ('s4', 11, 1, 0),  
    ('s6', 10, 2, 1),  
    ('s7', 6, 6, 2)  
]
```

## Task 2

- Which is the path returned as the solution?

- Is this the optimal plan?

(using  $h_2$  and  $A^*$  as example)



# Problem 2

- Consider an  $m \times m$  **Manhattan Grid**, and a set of coordinates  $G$  to visit in any order.
- **Hint:** Consider a set of coordinates  $V'$  remaining to be visited, or a set of coordinates  $V$  already visited. What's the difference between them
- Formulate a state-based search problem to find a tour of all the desired points (i.e. define a state space, applicable actions, transition and cost functions).
- What is the branching factor of this search?
- What is the size of the state space in terms of  $m$  and  $G$ ?

# m x m Grid

|  |  |                          |  |  |
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|  |  | Assume<br>We are<br>here |  |  |
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**$P = \{S, s0, SG, A, T, C\}$**

Consider 2 ways :

- Using a set of coordinates  $V'$  remaining to be visited,
- Or a set of coordinates  $V$  already visited.
- What's the difference between them

# Problem 2

- $S = \{\langle x, y, V' \rangle \mid x, y \in \{0, \dots, m-1\} \wedge V' \subseteq G\}$
- $s_0 = \langle (0, 0), G \setminus \{(0, 0)\} \rangle$
- $S_G = \{\langle (x, y), \{\} \rangle \mid x, y \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$
- $A(\langle x, y, V' \rangle) = \{(dx, dy) \mid$ 
  - $dx, dy \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$
  - $\wedge |dx| + |dy| = 1$
  - $\wedge x + dx, y + dy \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$
  - $(x + dx, y + dy) \notin W \}$
- $T(\langle x, y, V' \rangle, (dx, dy)) = \langle x + dx, y + dy, V' \setminus \{(x + dx, y + dy)\} \rangle$
- $c(a, s) = 1$

# m x m Grid

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# $m \times m$ Grid



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- What is the size of the state space in terms of  $m$  and  $G$ ?



# m x m Grid

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- What is the size of the state space in terms of  $m$  and  $G$ ?

If using  $V'$ , then  $m^2 \times 2^{|G|}$

If using  $V$ , then  $m^2 \times 2^{|m \times m|}$