

# Classical Planning

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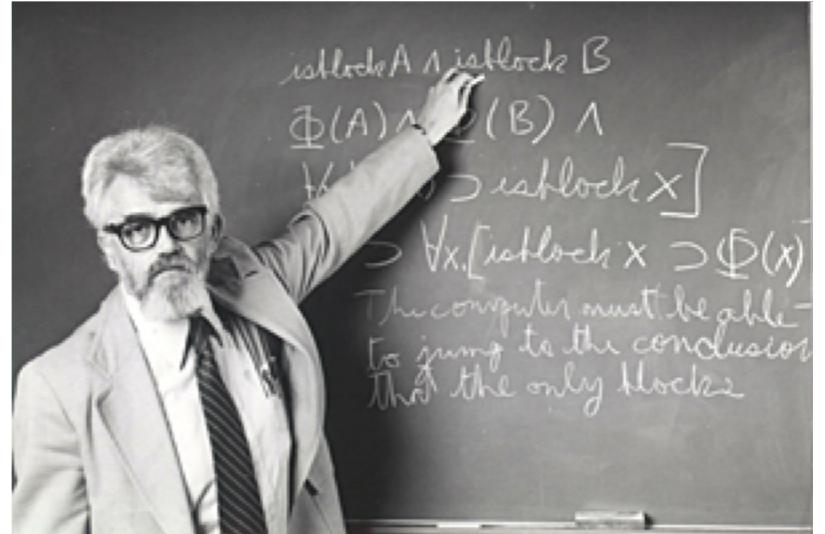
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# Starting from the Beginning...of AI



## Use a Model of the World to answer:

- What will happen next in a certain aspect of the situation?
- What will happen if I do a certain action?
- What is 3+3?
- What does he want?
- Can I figure out how to do this or must I get information from someone else or something else?

# Predicate Logic (First-Order Logic)

World can be described by:

- Objects: *apple*, *myChair*, *house*, *mike*, *robot*, *suitcase*
- Variables:  $x, y, z, \dots$
- Relations (Predicates): *ParentOf( . , . )*, *HasA( . )*, *Smells( . )*
- Connectives:  $\neg, \vee, \wedge, \Rightarrow$
- Functions: *Color( . )*, *Height( . )*, *Smell( . )*, *GraspLoc( . , . )*

Other than functions, expressions evaluate to *true* or *false*

*LessThan(1, 2)*

$\neg Contains(Suitcase, Bomb)$

# Planning: Situation Calculus

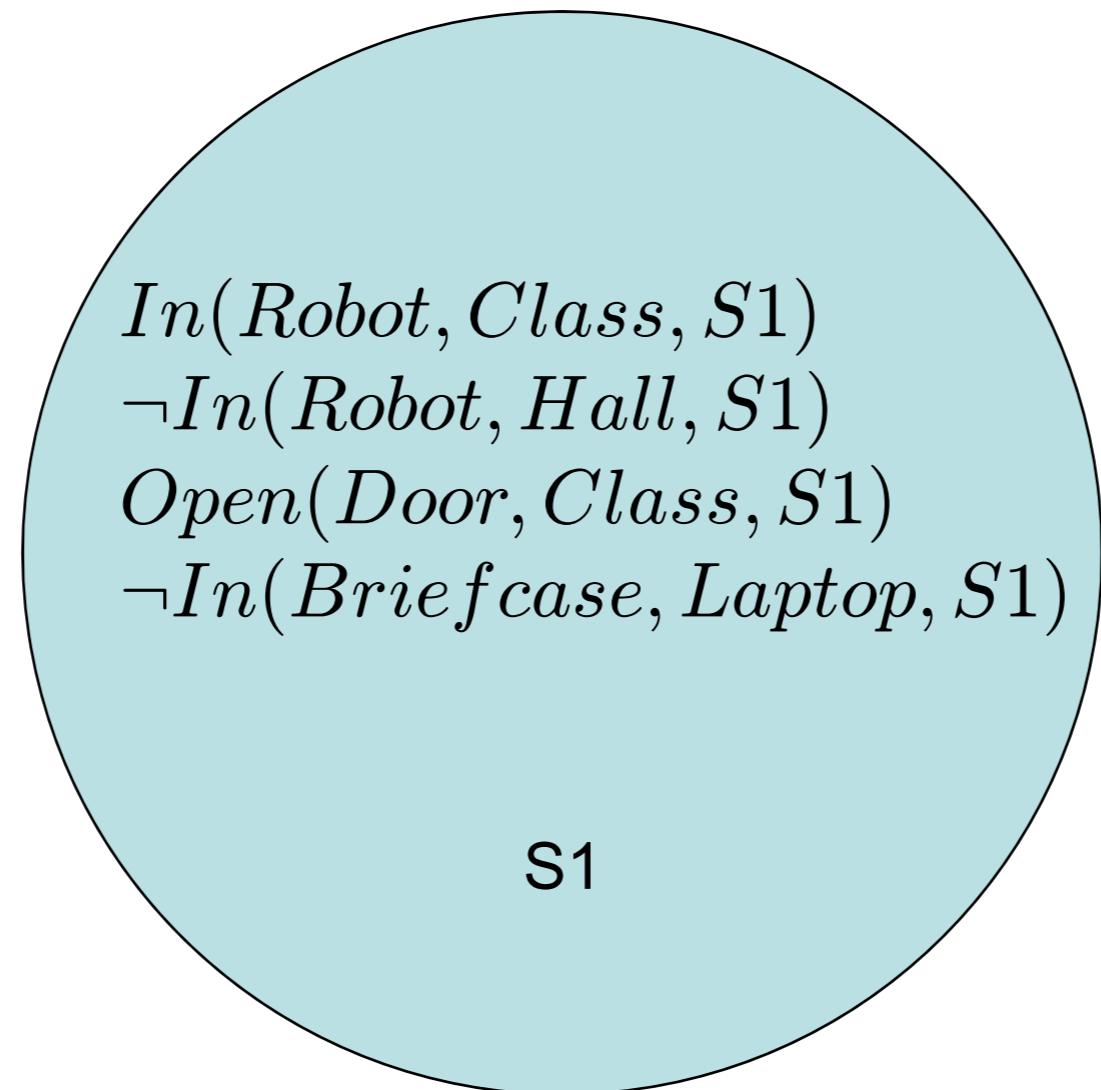
- **Fluents:** add state (or time) variable to relations:  
*Contains(Suitcase, Laptop, S0)*  
*Working(Robot, t=4)*
- **Actions:** are *reified* functions of constants  
(Can be treated as constants themselves)  
*Put(Laptop, Suitcase)*    *Open(Car)*    *Lock(Car)*
- The **do function:**  $do(\alpha, \sigma_0) \rightarrow \sigma_1$

$\alpha = action$

$\sigma = state$

# Situation Calculus: States

How should we describe a state?



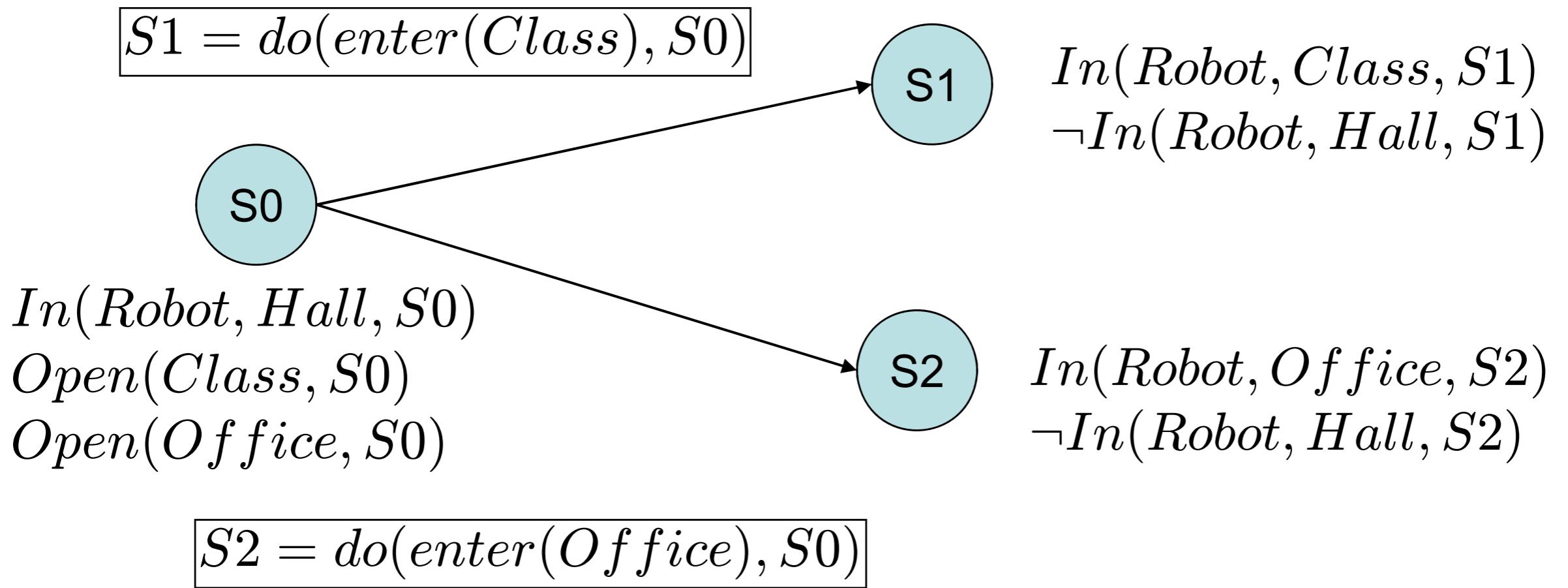
# Situation Calculus: Actions

How about actions?

Effect axioms (Positive + Negative):  $\text{Room}(rm)$

$$\text{In}(\text{Robot}, \text{Hall}, s) \wedge \text{Open}(rm, s) \Rightarrow \text{In}(\text{Robot}, rm, \text{do}(\text{enter}(rm), s))$$

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# What else for planning?

Goals!

Use quantifiers!

Now what?

Plan!

$$S1 = do(enter(Class), S0)$$

$In(Robot, Class, S1)$

$\neg In(Robot, Hall, S1)$

S0

S1

$In(Robot, Hall, S0)$

$Open(Class, S0)$

$Open(Office, S0)$

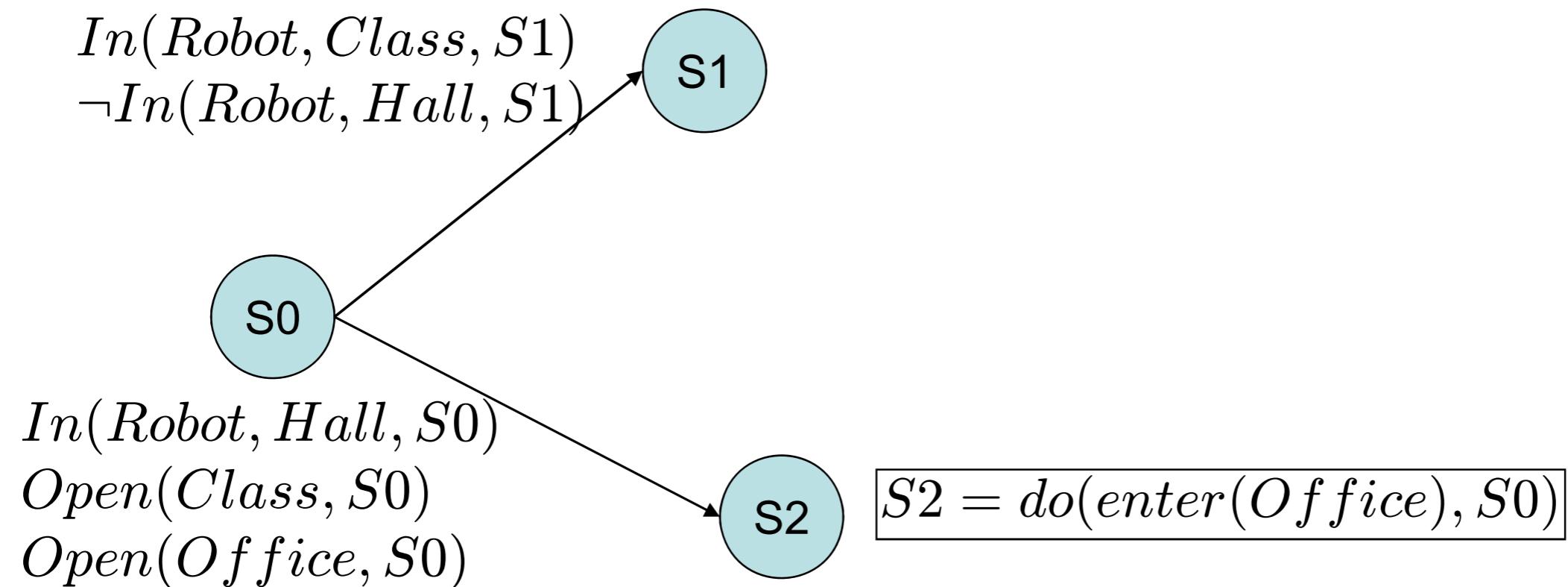
S2

$$S2 = do(enter(Office), S0)$$

Goal:

$\exists s Educated(Students, s)$

# Situation Calculus: A Plan

$$In(Robot, rm, s) \Rightarrow Educated(Students, rm, do(teach(rm), s))$$
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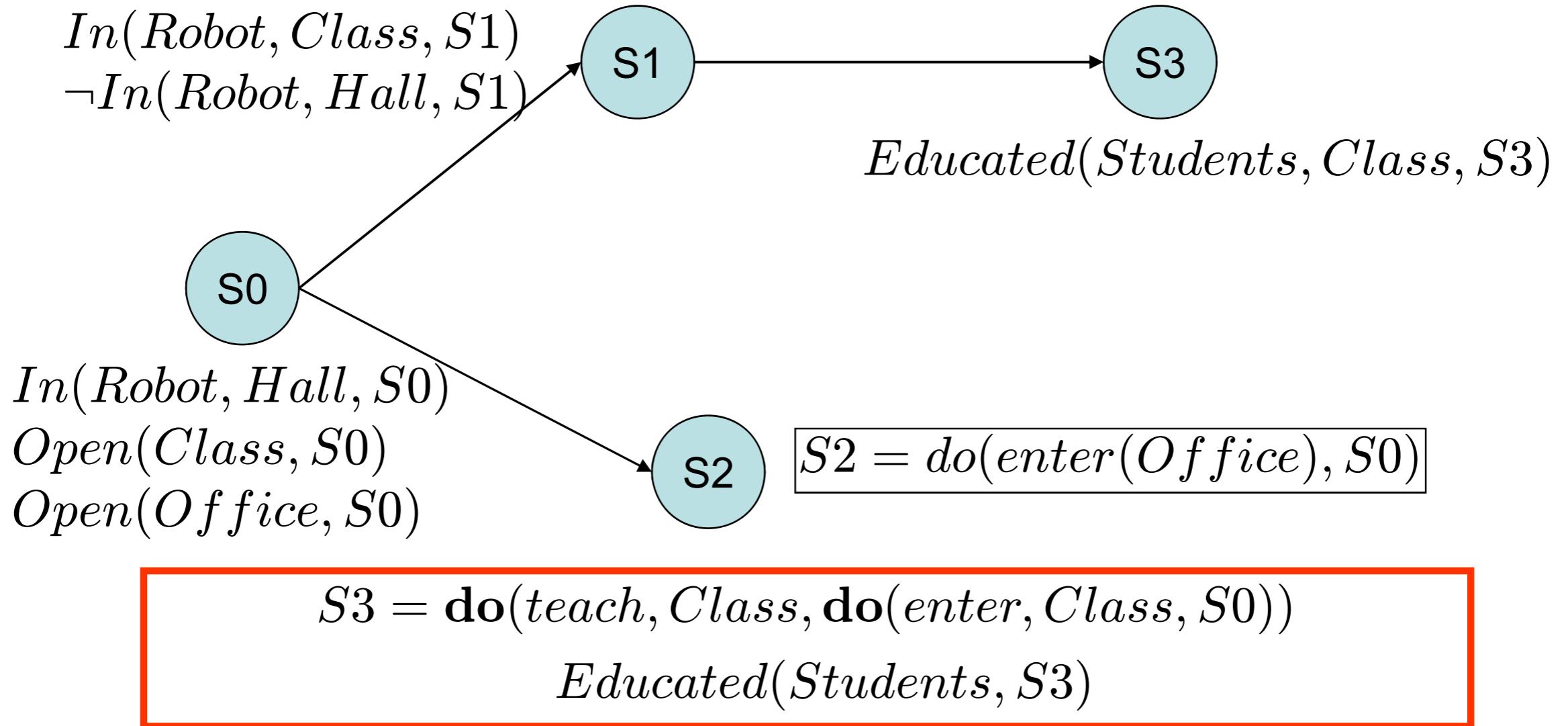
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$$S3 = do(teach(Class), S1)$$



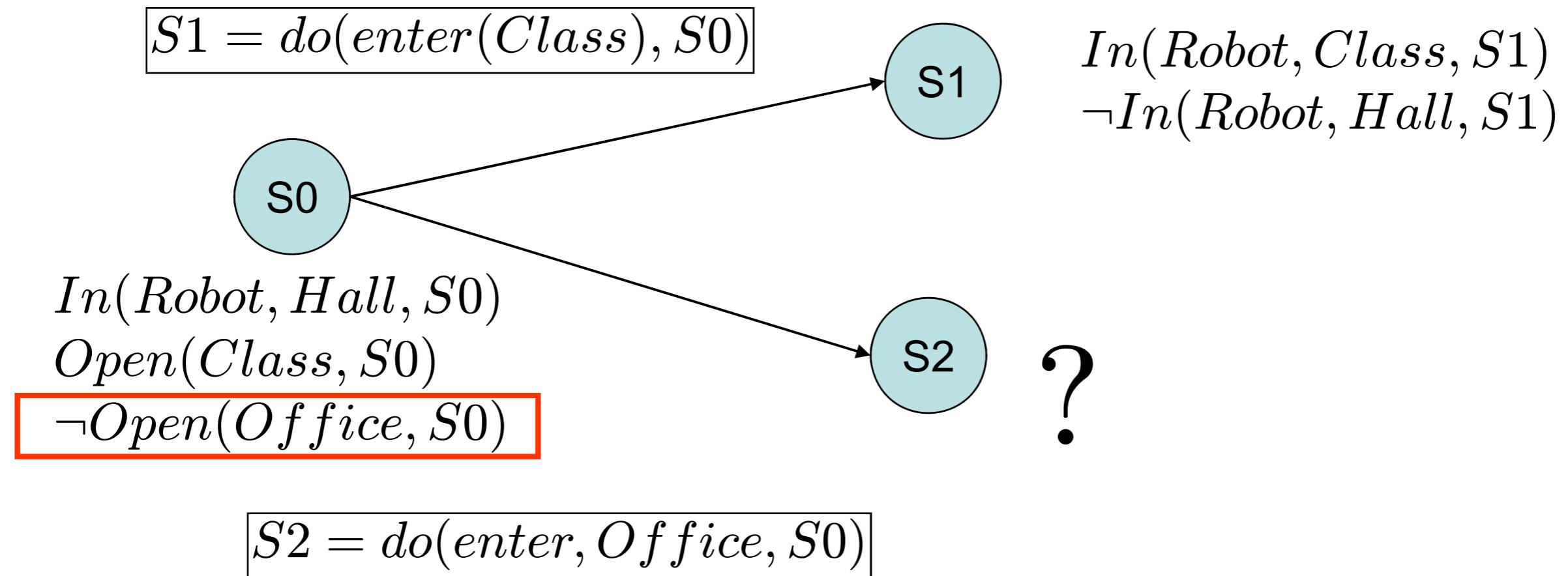
# Situation Calculus: Problems?

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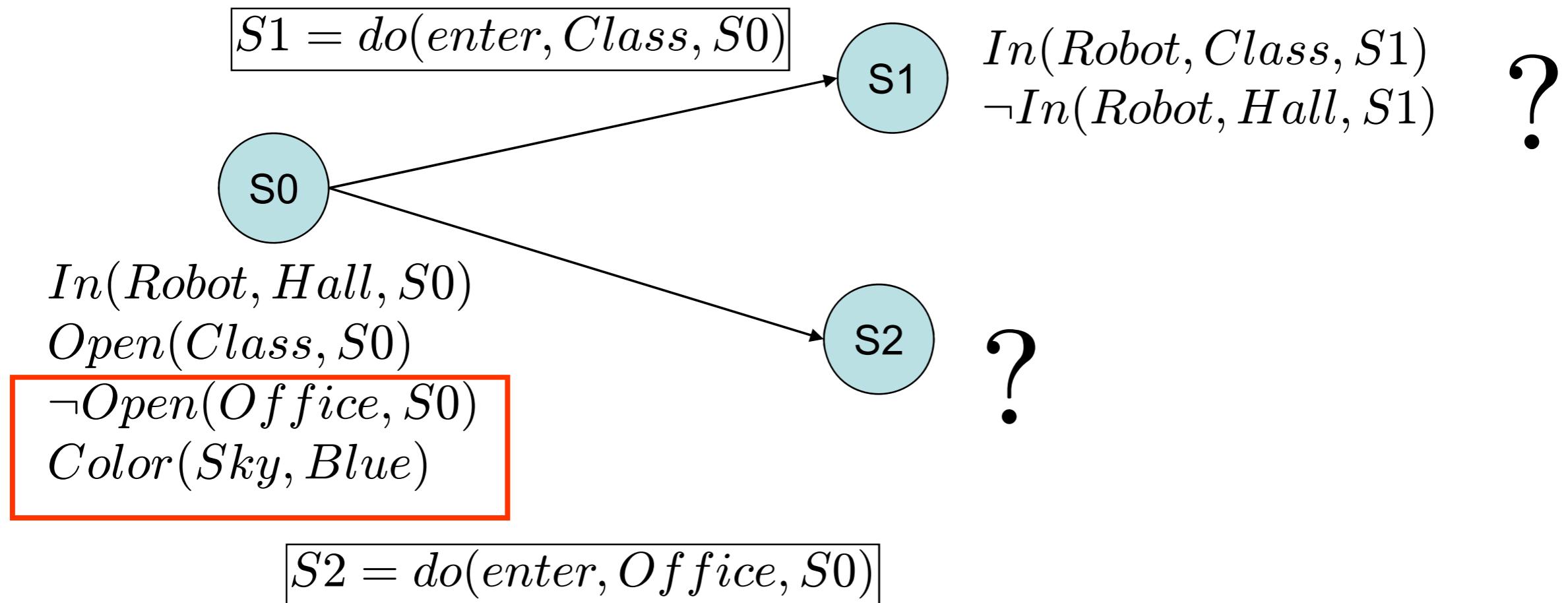
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For each unchanged fluent we add:

$$Open(Office, s) \Rightarrow Open(Office, \text{do}(\text{enter(rm)}, s))$$

$$\neg Open(Office, s) \Rightarrow \neg Open(Office, \text{do}(\text{enter(rm)}, s))$$

$$Color(Sky, Blue, s) \Rightarrow Color(Sky, Blue, \text{do}(\text{enter(rm)}, s))$$

$$\neg Color(Sky, Blue, s) \Rightarrow \neg Color(Sky, Blue, \text{do}(\text{enter(rm)}, s))$$

How many in total? (for n distinct fluents and m distinct actions)

$$2nm$$

(Not exponential – but often not practical)

# Ramification Problem

**What are the ramifications of an action?**

- The robot entered the room.
- Its sensors are now in the room.
- The object it was carrying is now in the room.
- The robot is visible to you.

**Do we really want to say all that in an effect axiom?**

**How does this relate to the Frame Problem?**

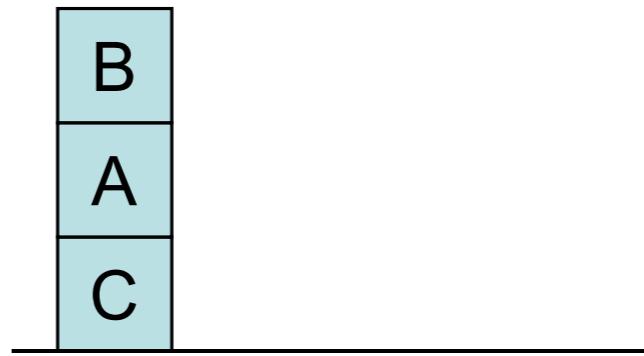
# Classical Planning

- Finite number of states
- Fully observable
- Deterministic
- Static
- Discrete
- Solution Plan

# STRIPS (Fikes & Nilsson 1971)

- Restrict state descriptions to conjunctions of fluents (literals)
  - Why?
  - What do we gain? Lose?
- Represent actions (operators) as three parts:
  - PC: set of preconditions
  - D: Delete List
  - A: Add List
- Use recursive search to implement planning

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Constants:

$A, B, C, Table$

$IsBlock(A), IsBlock(B)...$

Ground Literals:

$On(B, A)$     $On(C, Table)$

$Clear(B)$     $Clear(Table)$

Actions:     $move(x, y, z)$

PC:  $On(x, y)$    D:  $On(x, y)$    A:  $On(x, z)$

$Clear(x)$        $Clear(z)$        $Clear(y)$

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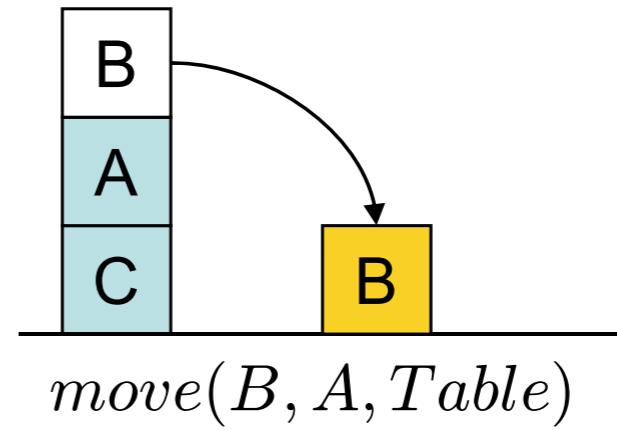
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Delete: S0

$On(B, A)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

Unchanged

$On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$

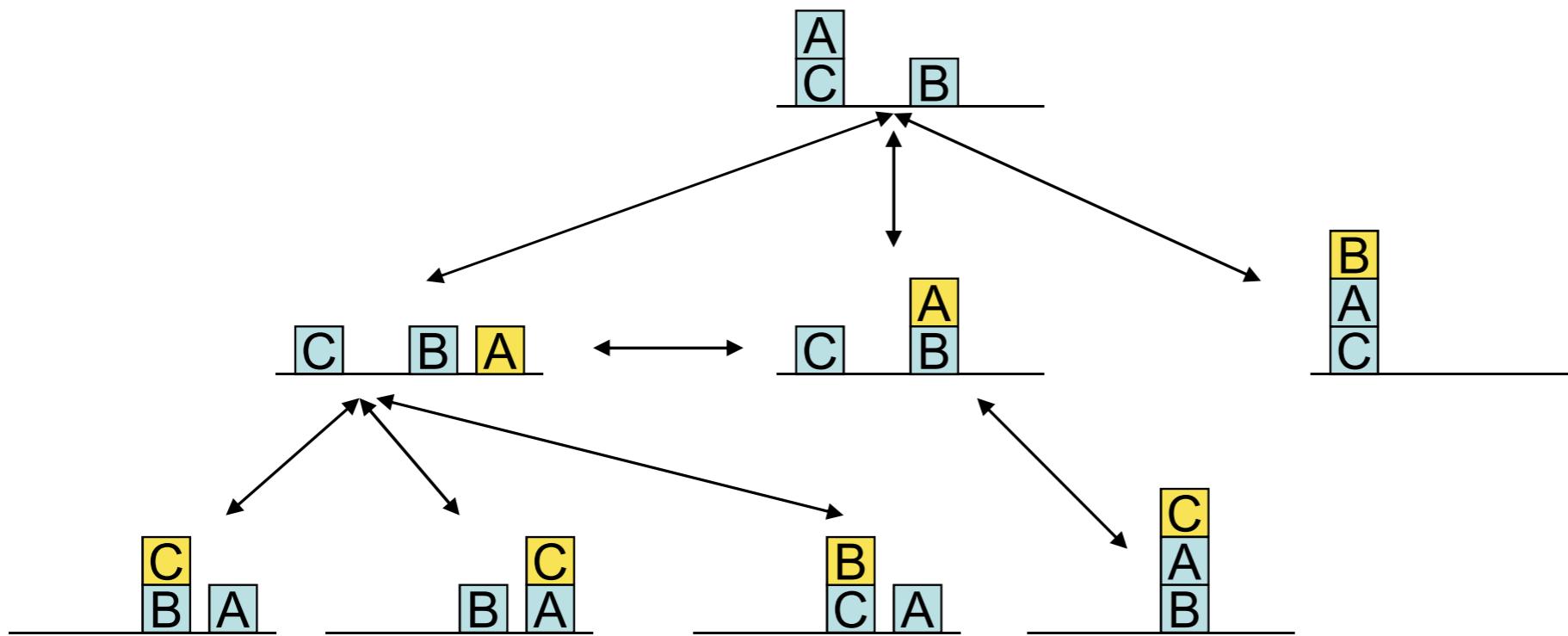
Add: S1

$On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

$On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$

# How to plan in strips?

Search!



# Linear Search: How STRIPS works

- Desire to speed up search
- Non-linear planning:
  - Interleave search for subgoals
  - Keep a **set** of unachieved goals
- Linear planning:
  - Solve one goal at a time
  - Search a **stack** of unachieved goals

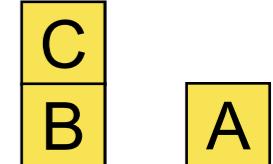
# Based on General Problem Solver (GPS)

- Newell, Simon, & Ernst – 1960’s
- Introduced *means-end analysis*
- Use a recursive goal stack to speed up planning

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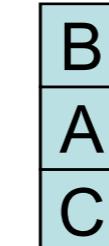
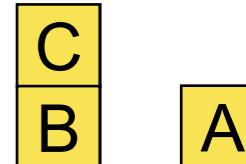
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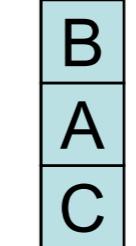
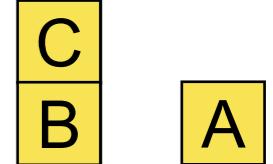
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	$\text{Clear(Table)}$	$\text{On}(A, C)$
	$\text{move}(A, C, Table)$	$\text{On}(C, Table)$
	$\text{On}(B, Table)$	$\text{Clear}(B)$
	$\text{On}(C, B)$	$\text{Clear(Table)}$
	$\text{On}(A, Table) \wedge \text{On}(B, Table) \wedge \text{On}(C, B)$	

5	$\text{On}(B, A)$	$\text{On}(B, A)$
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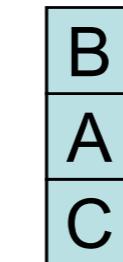
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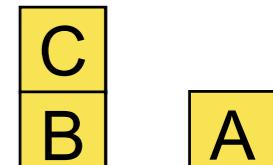
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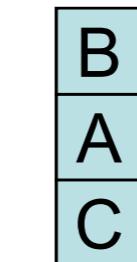
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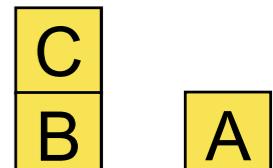
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init



$On(B, A)$   
 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

goal



$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

PC	$On(x, y)$	D	$On(x, y)$	A	$On(x, z)$
$move(x, y, z)$		$Clear(x)$		$Clear(z)$	$Clear(y)$
		$Clear(z)$			$Clear(Table)$

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Stack:

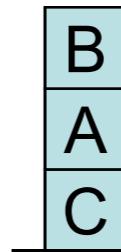
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	State:
	$On(B, Table)$
	$Clear(A)$
	$On(A, C)$
	$On(C, Table)$
	$Clear(B)$
	$Clear(Table)$
move( $A, C, Table$ )	
$On(B, Table)$	
$On(C, B)$	
$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$	

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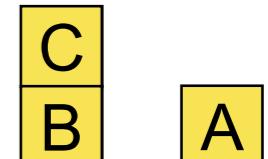
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$On(B, Table)$	
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init



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 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

goal



$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

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Stack:

7  
 $Clear(C)$   
 $move(A, C, Table)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $On(C, B)$   
 $On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

State:

$On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

8

$move(A, C, Table)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $On(C, B)$   
 $On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

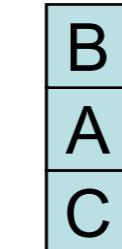
$On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

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$On(B, Table)$   
 $On(C, B)$   
 $On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

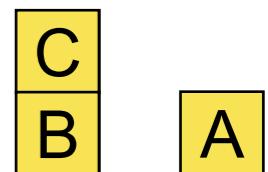
$Clear(C)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

init



$On(B, A)$   
 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

goal



$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

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Stack:

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$On(B, Table)$

$On(C, B)$

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B) \wedge Clear(Table)$

State:

$On(A, Table)$

$Clear(C)$

$On(B, Table)$

$Clear(A)$

$On(C, Table)$

$Clear(B)$

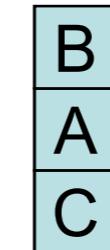
$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B) \wedge Clear(Table)$

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$On(C, B)$

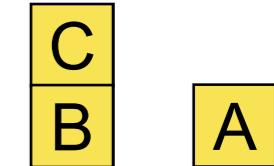
$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B) \wedge Clear(Table)$

init



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 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

goal



$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

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Stack:

10

$On(C, B)$

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

11

$On(C, Table)$

$Clear(C)$

$Clear(B)$

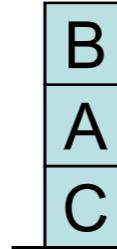
$move(C, Table, B)$

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

State:

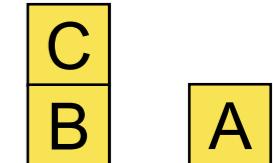
$On(A, Table)$   
 $Clear(C)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

init



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$On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(C)$   
 $Clear(B)$

$move(C, Table, B)$

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

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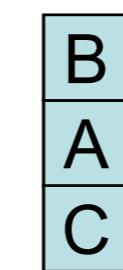
$move(C, Table, B)$

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

State:

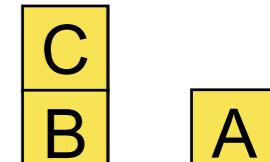
$On(A, Table)$   
 $Clear(C)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

init



$On(B, A)$   
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 $Clear(Table)$

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Stack:

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`move(C,Table,B)`

$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

State:

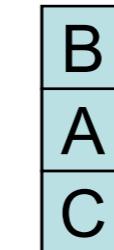
$On(A, Table)$   
 $Clear(C)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

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$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

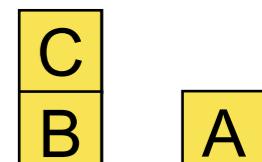
$On(C, B)$   
 $On(A, Table)$   
 $Clear(C)$   
 $On(B, Table)$   
 $Clear(A)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

init



$On(B, A)$   
 $On(A, C)$   
 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

goal



$On(A, Table) \wedge On(B, Table) \wedge On(C, B)$

PC  
 $move(x, y, z)$

$On(x, y)$   
 $Clear(x)$   
 $Clear(z)$

$D$   
 $On(x, y)$   
 $Clear(z)$

A  
 $On(x, z)$   
 $Clear(y)$   
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$move(C, Table, B)$   
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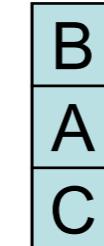
Remember the Plan?

$move(B, A, Table)$   
 $move(A, C, Table)$   
 $move(C, Table, B)$

State:

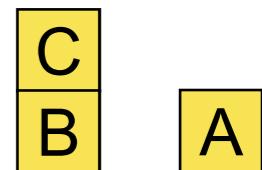
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 $On(B, Table)$   
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 $On(C, Table)$   
 $Clear(B)$   
 $Clear(Table)$

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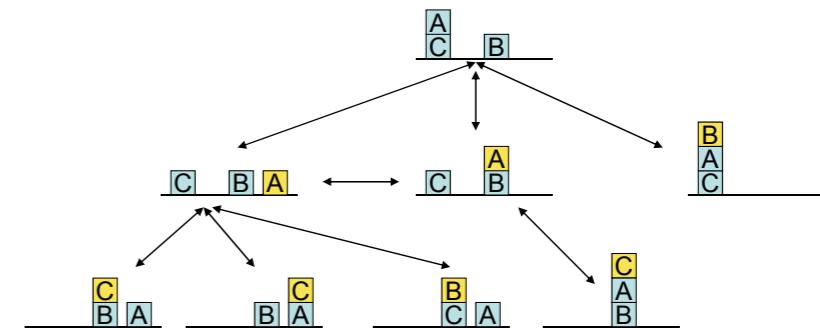
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# STRIPS: Summing it up

- Uses literals to represent the world
- State-based view of time
- “Most predicates are unaffected by a single action”
- Can be easily used for planning and connect to search algorithms.
- State space searches



# Did STRIPS Solve Our Problems?

Frame Problem?

Yes!

Ramification Problem?

No

Separate ground facts from inferred facts

Only ground facts are carried over from state to state

Potentially inefficient

Planning method?

yes, linear search

Is it good?