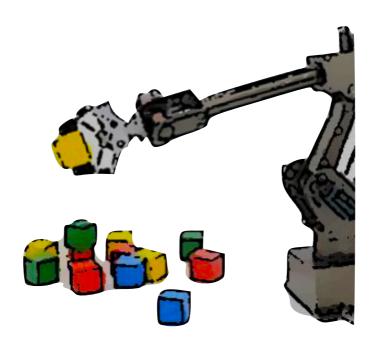
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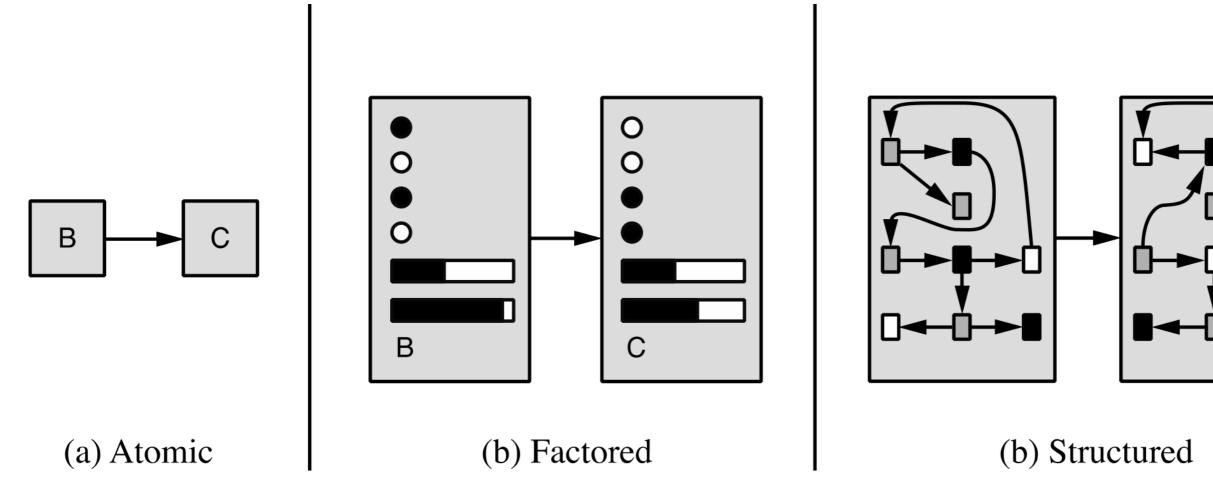


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Spectrum of representations

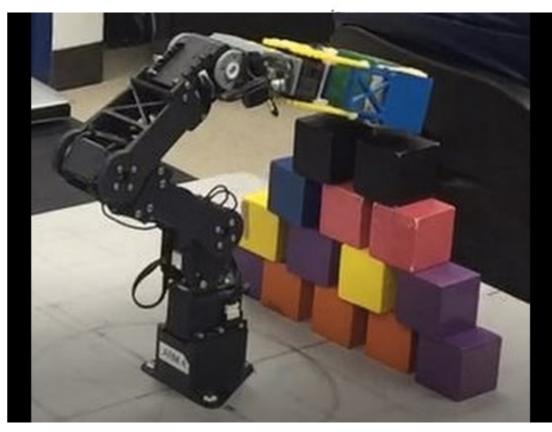


Search, game-playing MDP, RL CSPs, planning, propositional logic, Bayes nets, neural nets, RL with function approx.

First-order logic, databases, probabilistic programs

Robot Block Stacking





Start state: A, B, C on table Goal: Block B on C and C on A

Plan: ?

Modeling Block Stacking States



Start state: A, B, C on table Goal: Block B on C and C on A

Plan: ?

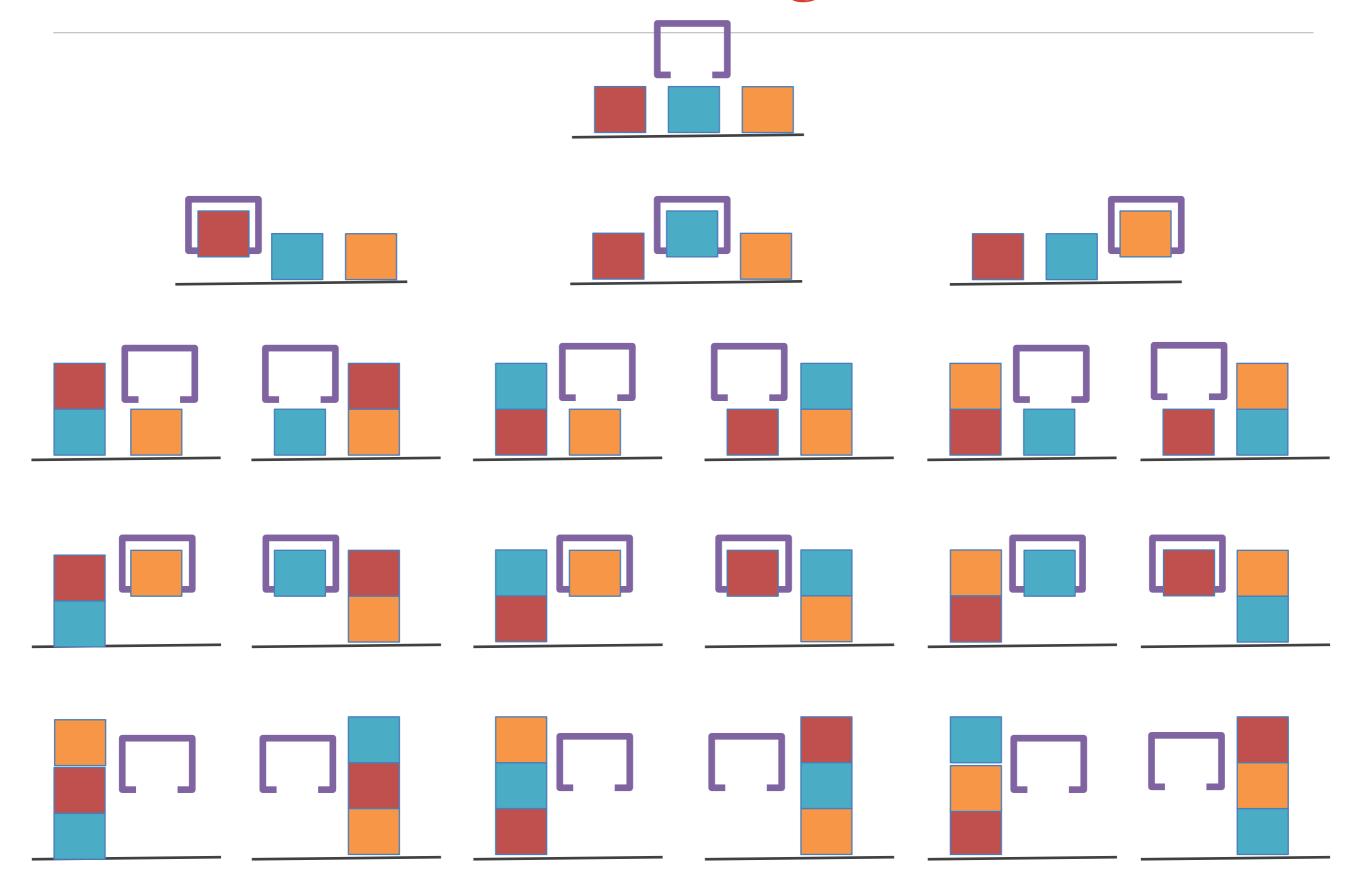
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Increasing Generality

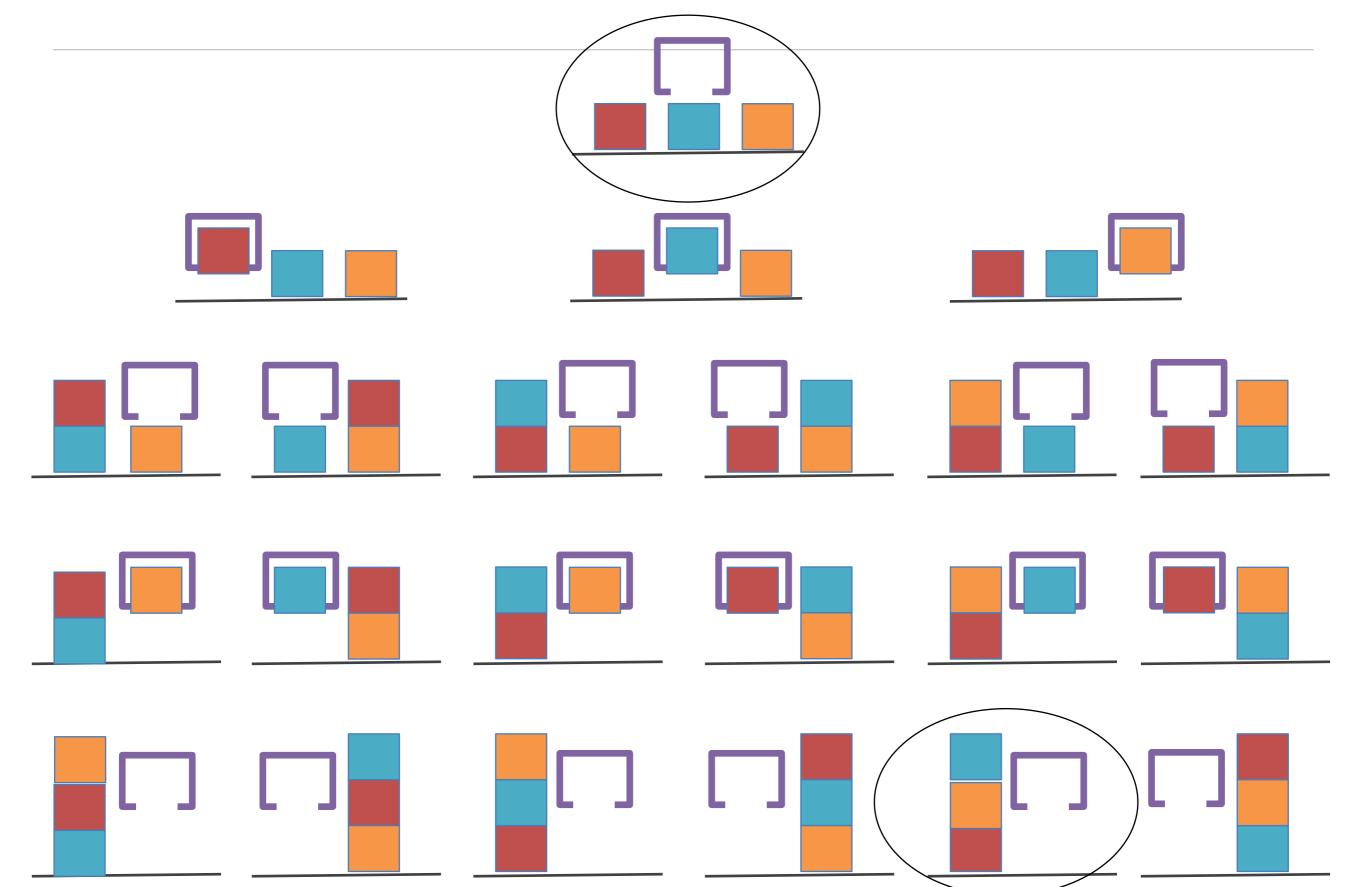
Block Stacking States



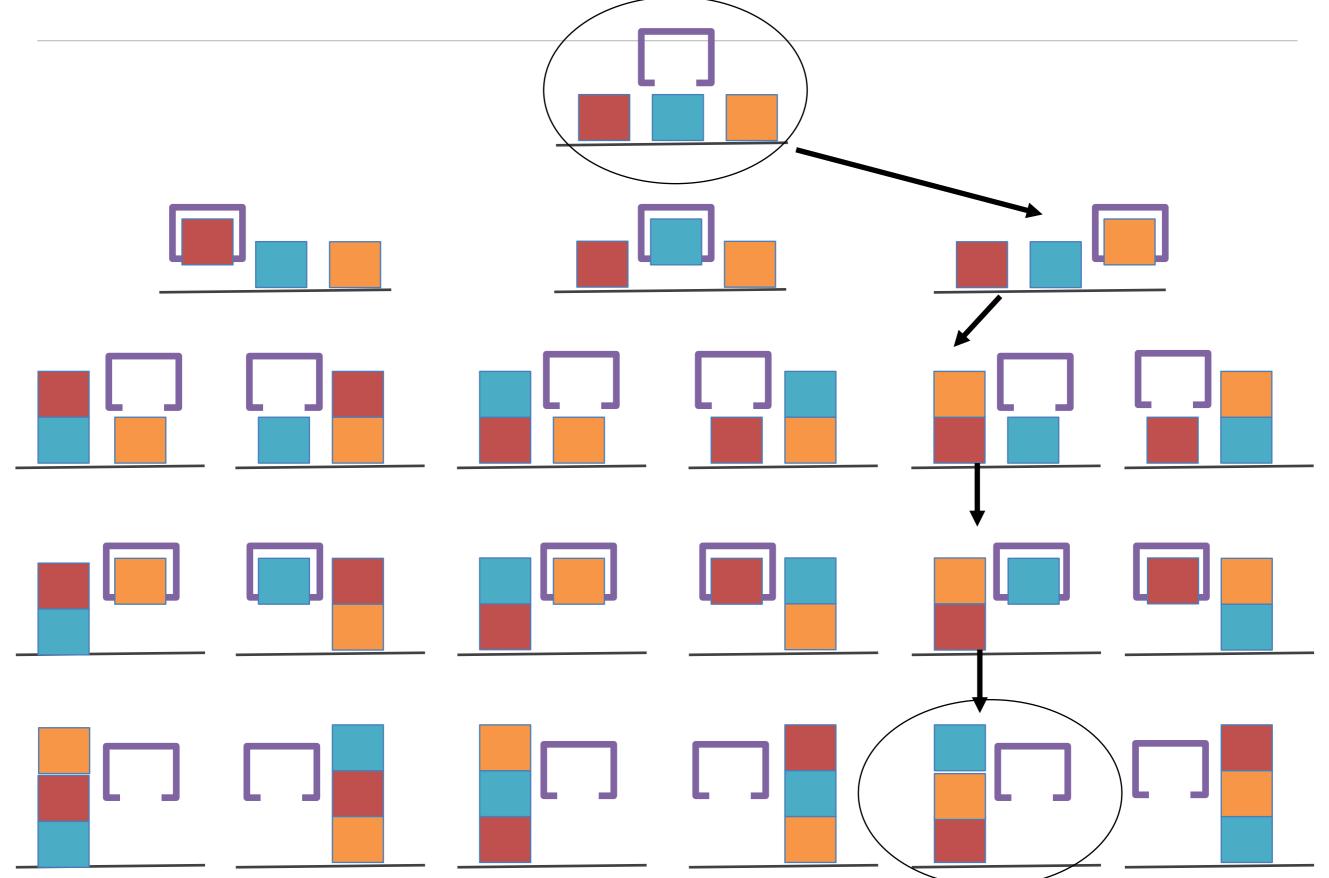
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Initial and Goal States



Plan from Initial to Goal State



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BFS, DFS, A*

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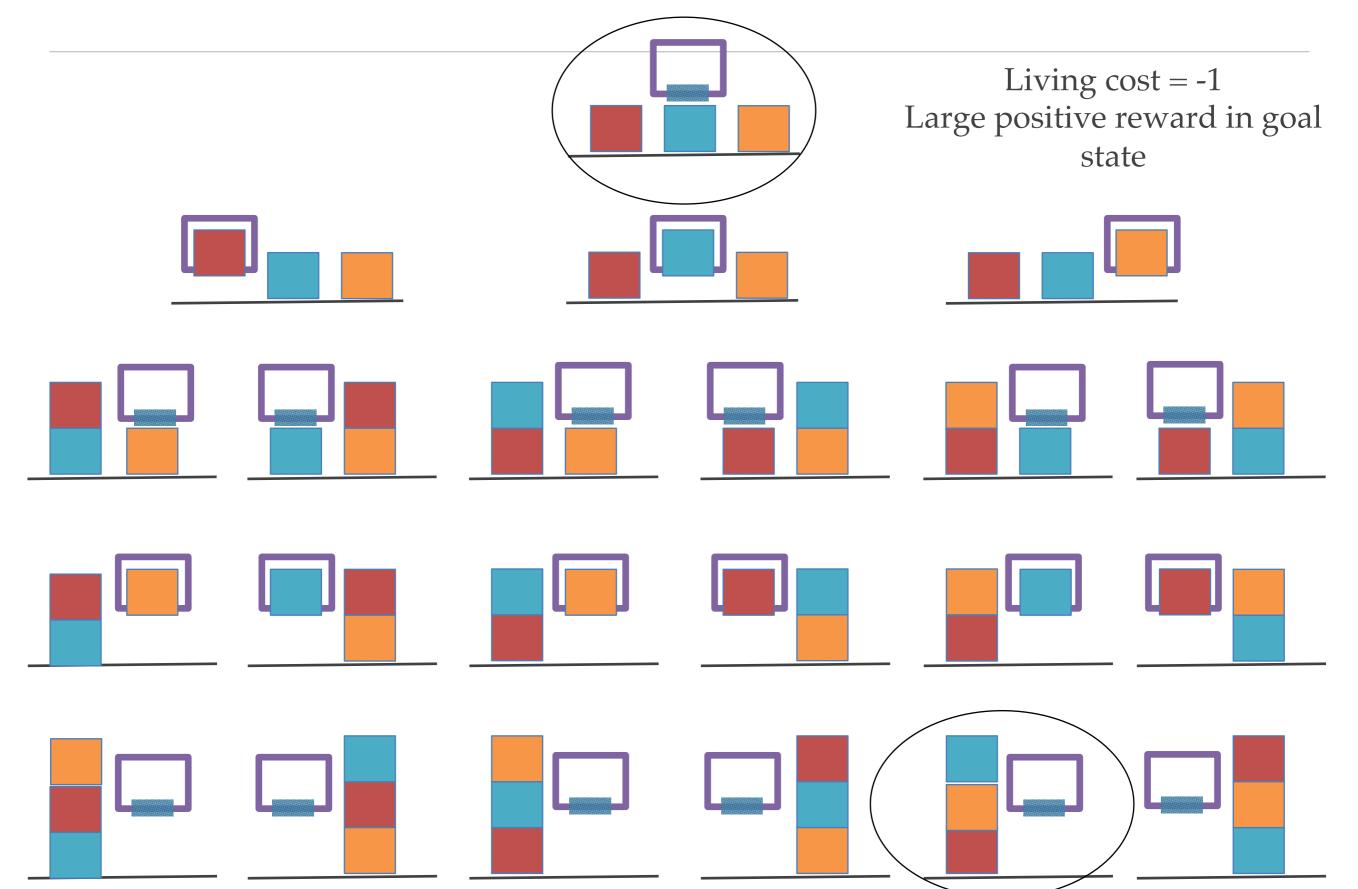
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Reward Function



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BFS, DFS, A*

A*, MDP, RL

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A*, MDP, RL

Logical Agents

Create a Knowledge Base (KB)

Symbols – each is true or false

TELL KB

Initial state and a priori knowledge Domain knowledge and "Physics" of the domain

Create a Knowledge Base 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

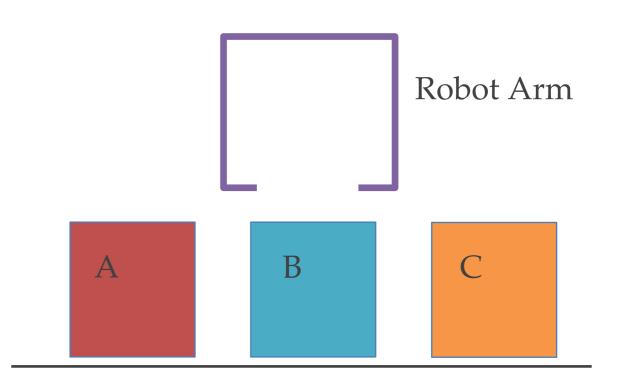
A-on-C C-on-A

B-on-C C-on-B

Pick_A, Pick_B, Pick_C

Put_on_Table_A, Put_on_Table_B, Put_on_Table_C

Anything missing?



Create a Knowledge Base Symbols

A-on-Table[t] A-In-Hand[t]

B-on-Table[t] B-In-Hand[t]

C-on-Table[t] C-In-Hand[t]

Put_on_Table_A[t], Put_on_Table_B[t], Put_on_Table_C[t]

Hand-Empty[t] A-on-B[t] B-on-A[t] A B A-on-C[t] C-on-A[t] B-on-C[t] C-on-B[t] Pick_A[t], Pick_B[t], Pick_C[t]

Robot Arm

Create a Knowledge Base Symbols

A-on-Table[0] A-In-Hand[t]

B-on-Table[0] B-In-Hand[t]

C-on-Table[0] C-In-Hand[t]

Hand-Empty[0]

A-on-B[t] B-on-A[t]

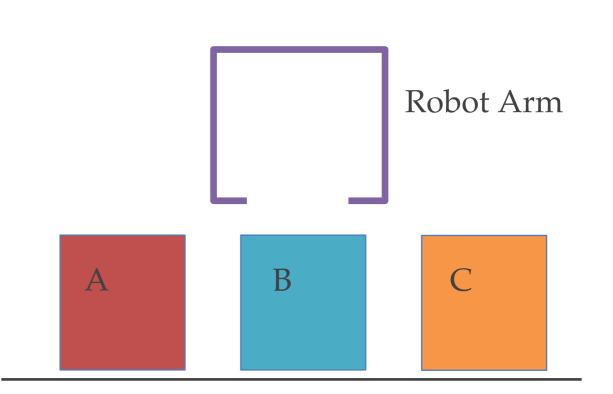
A-on-C[t] C-on-A[t]

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Pick_A[t], Pick_B[t], Pick_C[t]

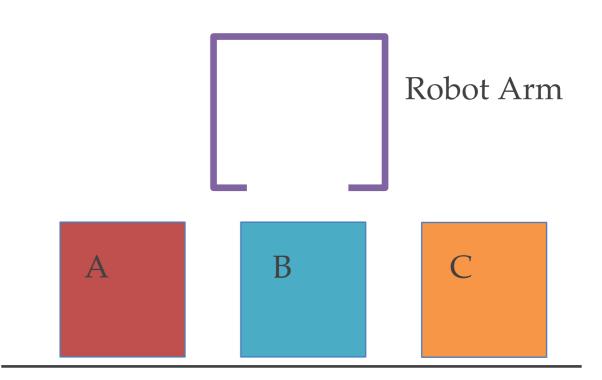
Put_on_Table_A[t], Put_on_Table_B[t], Put_on_Table_C[t]

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Create a Knowledge Base Implications

When is A-on-Table[t] true or false? Use successor-state axioms!

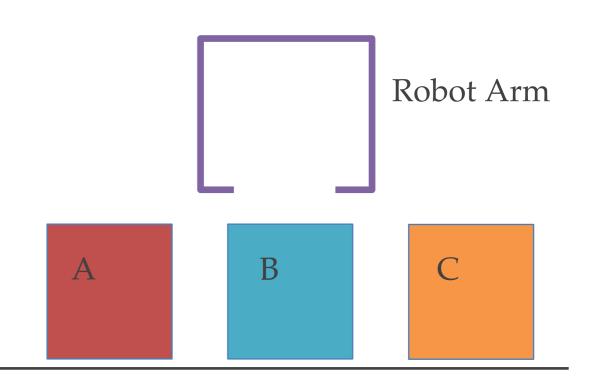


Logical Agents

Create a Knowledge Base Implications

A-on-Table[t]

⇔
(A-on-Table[t-1] ∧ ¬ Pick_A[t-1])
∨
(A-in-Hand[t-1] ∧ Put-on-Table[t-1])



Logical Agents

Create a Knowledge Base (KB)

Symbols – each is true or false

TELL KB

Initial state and a priori knowledge Domain knowledge and "Physics" of the domain

ASK whether KB entails a query e.g., B-on-C[t] Λ C-on-A[t]?

Partially-Specified Goal

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

There are potentially many possible world (i.e., 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 (even with FOL)

A state (i.e., model or possible world) is fully-specified by the list of all literals that are true in this model

Actions (e.g., picking a block) are represented with successor-state axioms

Easy to incorrectly specify an axiom (e.g., Hand-Empty[t])

So many symbols means it is hard to debug

Classical Planning (with STRIPS)

Also partially-specified goals

Create a Knowledge Base
Using STRIPS language
Predicates for describing states
Operators for describing actions

Using KB, find plan to reach any goal state Goal = conjunction of predicates

Predicates

Propositional Logic

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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-B
Clear-A, Clear-B, Clear-C
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STRIPS

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Constants: A, B, C
Predicates:
In-Hand(A)
On-Table(B)
On-Block(B,C)
HandEmpty()
Clear(A)
...
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STRIPS

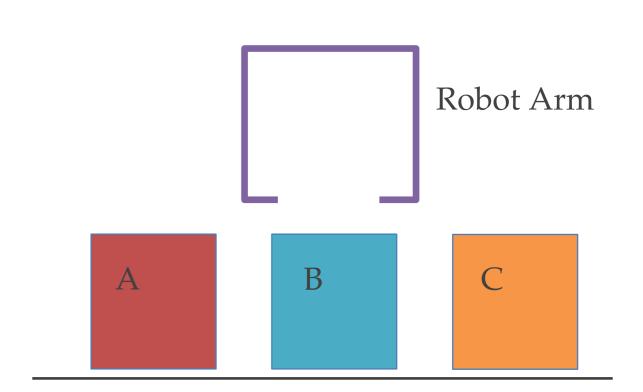
- STRIPS inspired by FOL
- * In STRIPS
 - No functions!
 - States are represented by conjunctions of positive predicates
 - If a predicate doesn't appear in this conjunction, it is false
 - Predicates don't depend on time
 - Actions don't need any predicates, they are represented as operators
- Trade-off between expressivity of language and efficiency of solving algorithms

How to Describe this State?

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()

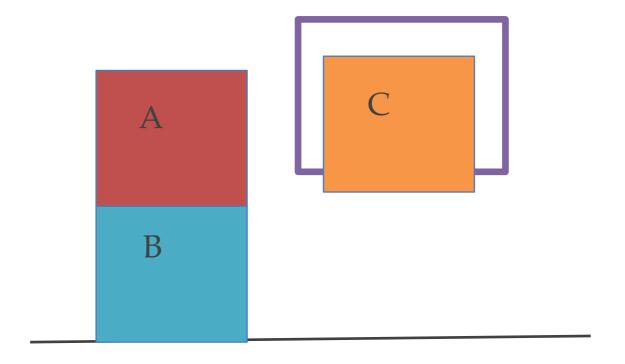


Quiz: Check all that apply

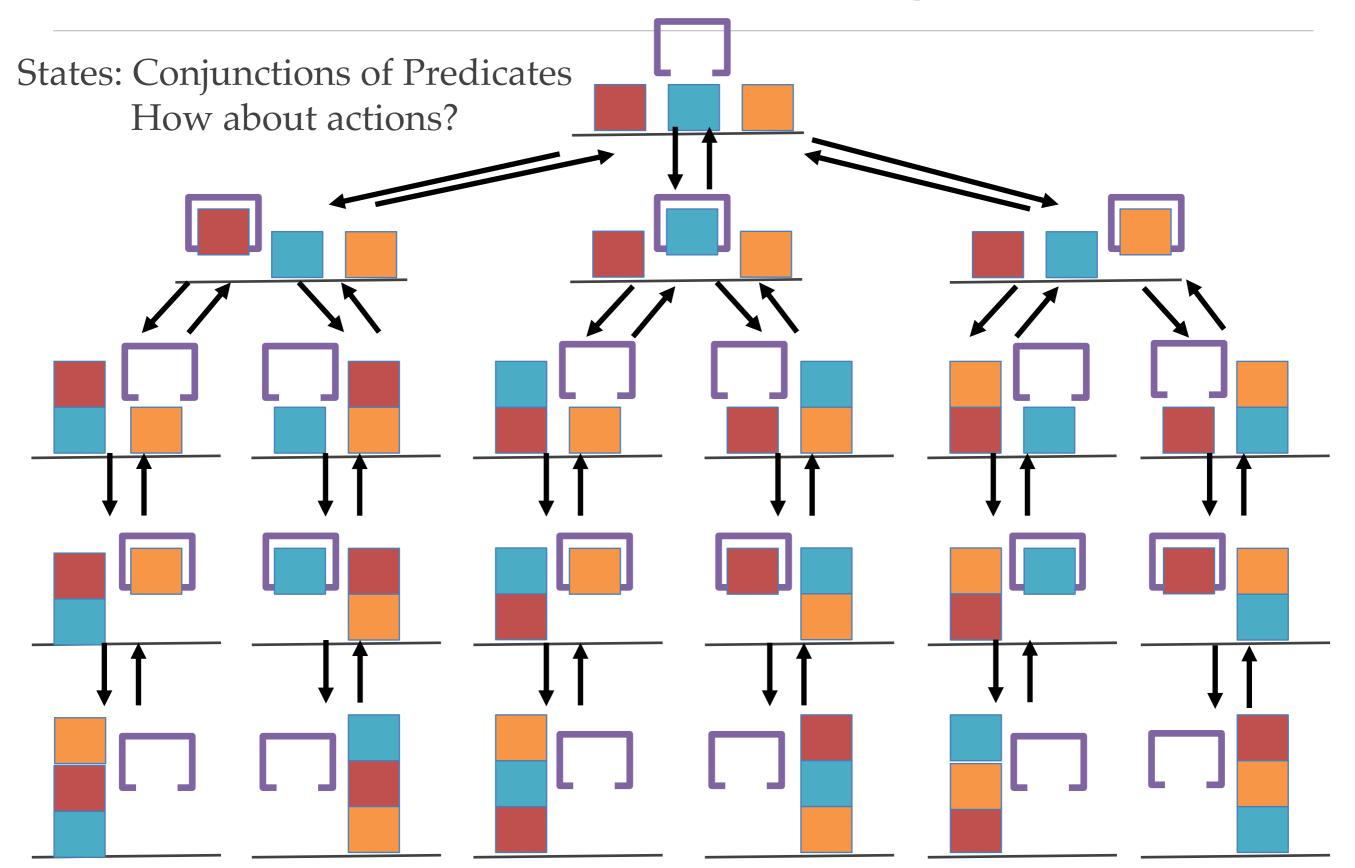
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Block Stacking

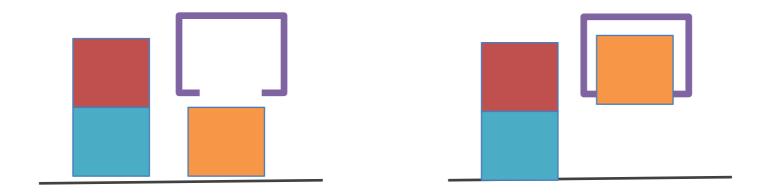


Operators

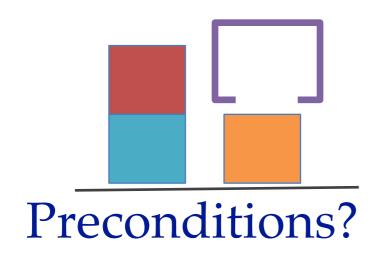
Actions can be applied only if some conditions are met
Represented as conjunctions of positive predicates
Actions change the state of the world
Represented as effects that add/delete predicates
Operator = precondition, delete list, add list

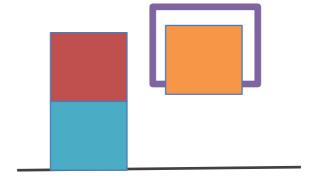
Operators can have parameters and are given names e.g., pick-up(o), put-down(o)

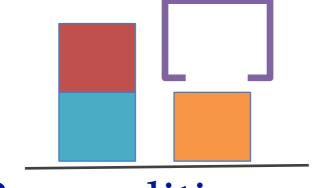
Actions for Block Stacking

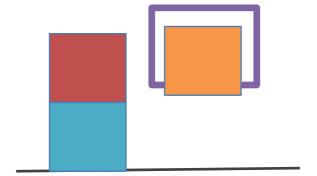


Blocks are picked up and put down by the hand Blocks can be picked up only if they are clear Hand can pick up a block only if the hand is empty Hand can put down blocks on blocks or on the table







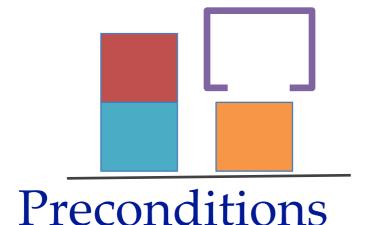


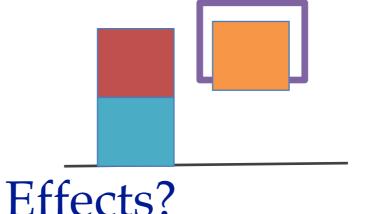
Preconditions

HandEmpty

On-Table(b)

Clear(b)

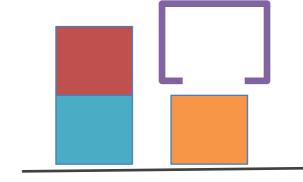




HandEmpty

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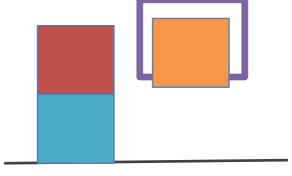


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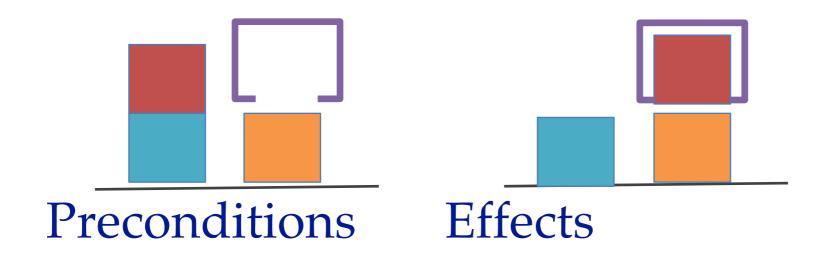
Effects

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

Add: Holding(b), Clear(c)

Operators for Block Stacking

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Pre: HandEmpty, Clear(b),

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Pickup_from_Block(b,c):

Pre: HandEmpty, On(b,c)

Add: Holding(b), Clear(c)

Delete: HandEmpty, On(b,c)

Putdown_on_Table(b):

Pre: Holding(b)

Add: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)

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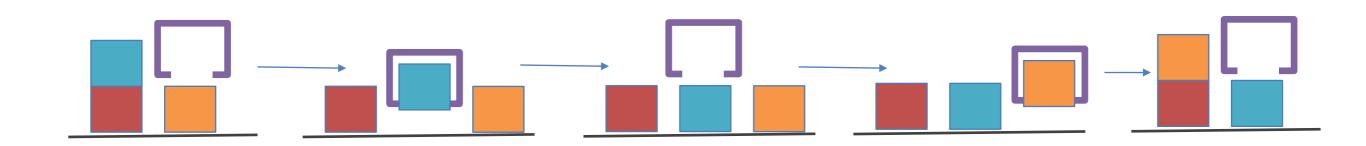
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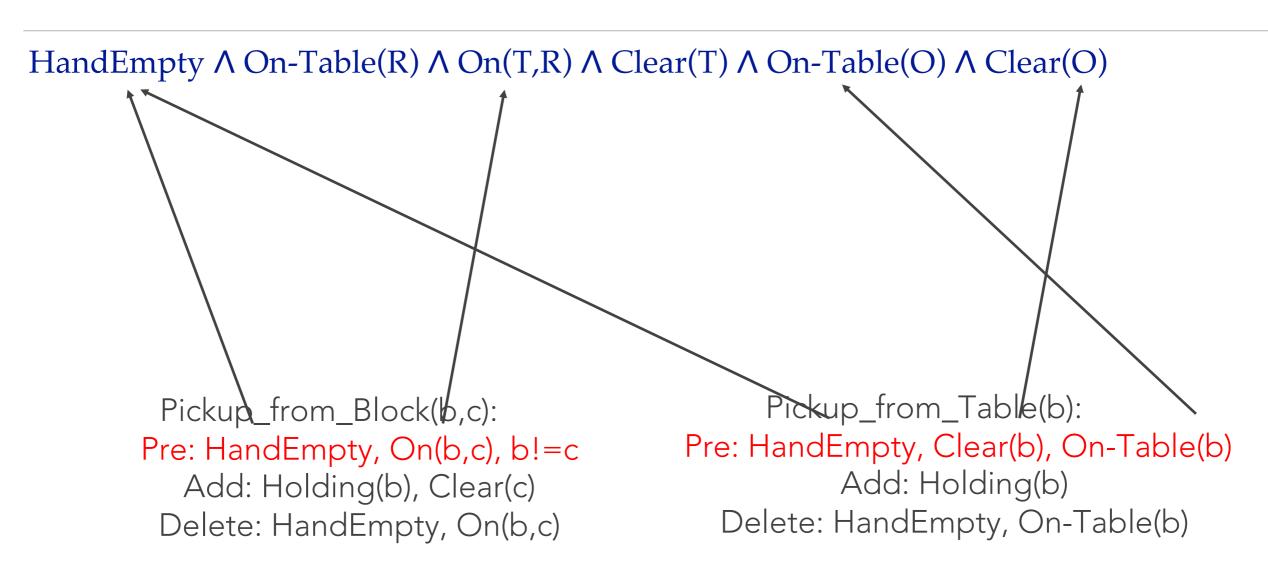
Pre: Holding(b), Clear(c)

Add: HandEmpty, On(b,c)

Delete: Clear(c), Holding(b)

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







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Add: Holding(b), Clear(c)



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Pickup_from_Block(T,R)

On-Table(R) \land Clear(T) \land On-Table(O) \land Clear(O)

Pickup_from_Block(b,c):

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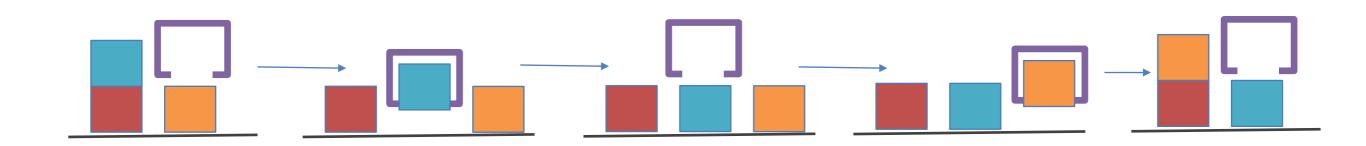
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HandEmpty Λ On-Table(R) Λ On(T,R) Λ Clear(T) Λ On-Table(O) Λ Clear(O) *Pickup_from_Block(T,R)*

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Putdown_on_Table(b):

Pre: Holding(b)

Add: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)

Delete: Holding(b)



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HandEmpty \Lambda On-Table(R) \Lambda On(T,R) \Lambda Clear(T) \Lambda On-Table(O) \Lambda Clear(O) 
Pickup_from_Block(T,R)
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Putdown_on_Table(b):

Pre: Holding(b)

Add: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)

Delete: Holding(b)



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Pickup_from_Block(T,R)

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Putdown_on_Table(T)

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Pickup_from_Table(O)

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

Delete: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)



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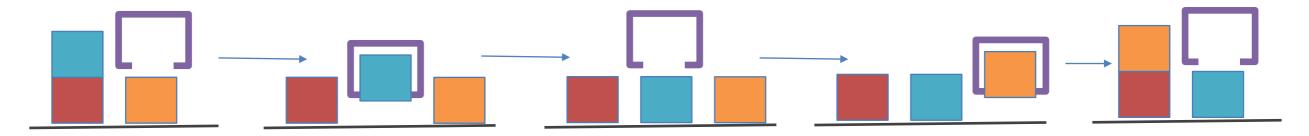
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Add: Holding(b)

Delete: HandEmpty, On-Table(b)



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Pickup_from_Block(T,R)
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Planning is a Search Problem

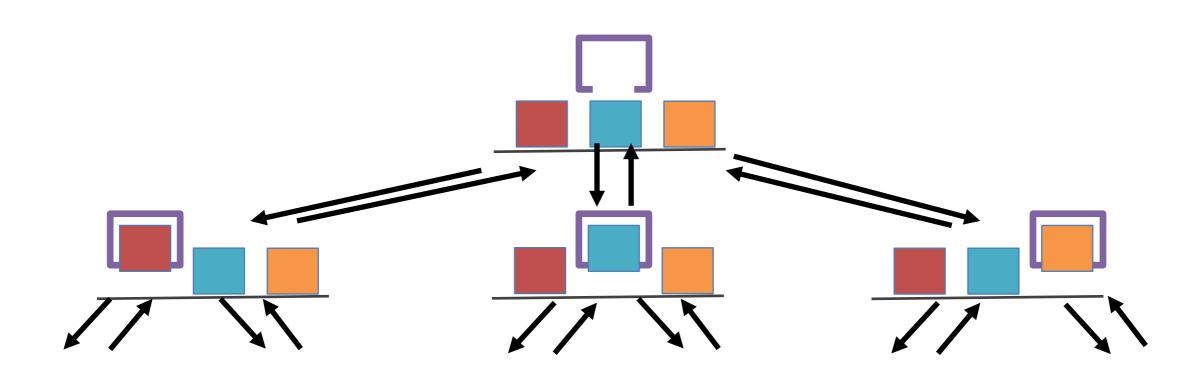
Planning problem can be represented as a graph:

States: Conjunctions of Predicates

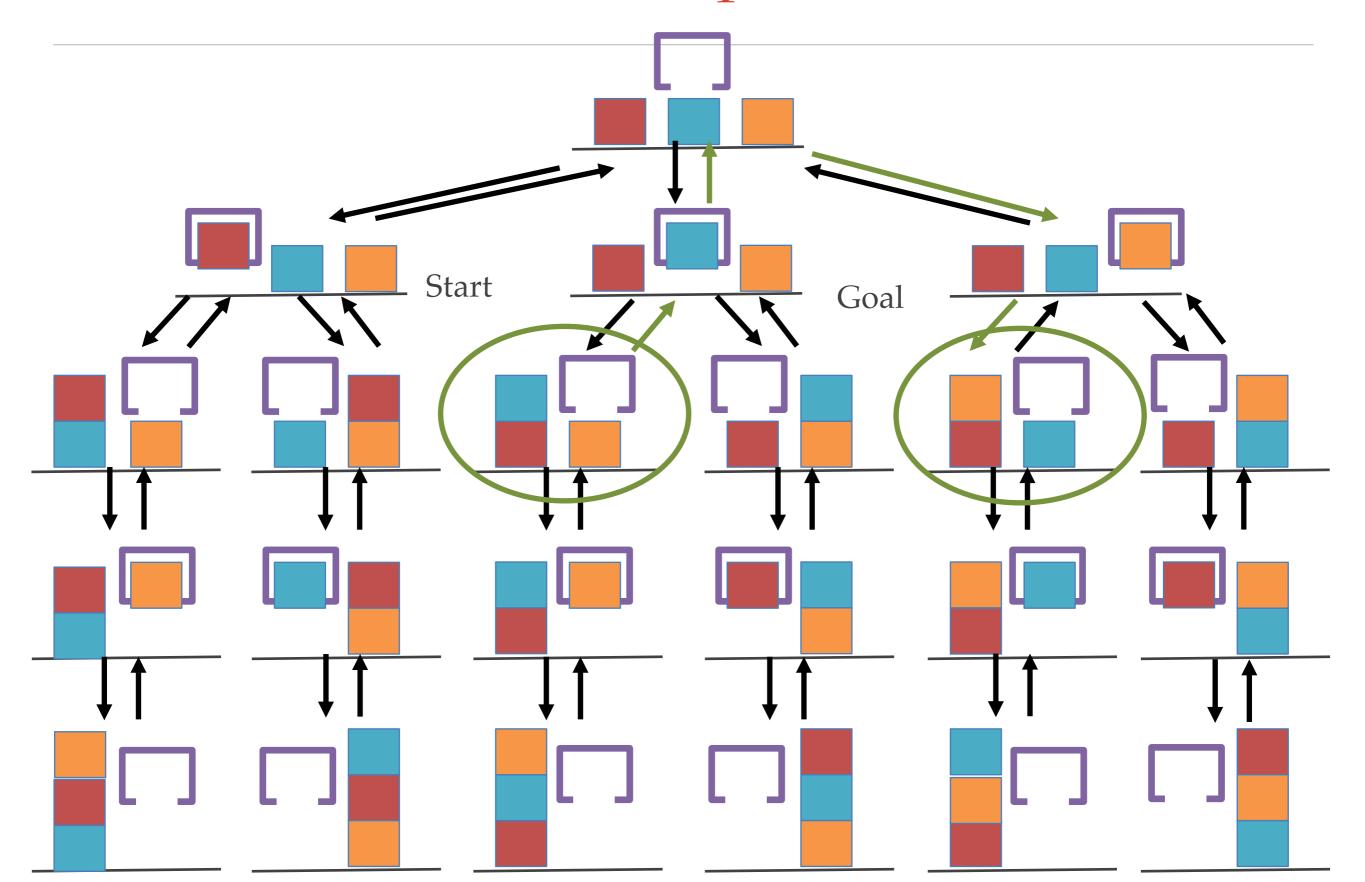
Arrows = Actions

Space complexity in terms of # predicates *p*?

Search algorithm can be applied!



Example



Planners

- Any search algorithm (BFS, DFS, IDS...) could be used
- * Here, search can also be performed backward!
 - * From a given state $X_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge X_k$, consider relevant and consistent actions
 - * An action is relevant if it achieves one of the X_i 's
 - * An action is consistent if it doesn't undo one of the X_i 's
 - An operator can easily be reversed by modifying the current state:
 - Remove its positive effects
 - Add its preconditions (unless it already appears in the state)
 - Stop backward search when reaching state that is satisfied by initial state
- However, as STRIPS allow to describe compactly very large problems,
 A* is needed with very good heuristics

Efficient Algorithms

- STRIPS planning is PSPACE-complete
- Forward or backward A*
 - Domain-independent heuristics
 - # of unsatisfied literals in goal
 - Relaxed problem
 - sum of costs for achieving each literal in goal
 - may be inadmissible
- Specialized algorithms
 - e.g., Graphplan (See 10.3 in AIMA)

Properties of Planners

Soundness

* A planning algorithm is **sound** if all solutions found are legal plans

Completeness

 A planning algorithm is complete if a solution can be found whenever one actually exists

Optimality

* A planning algorithm is *optimal* if the solution optimizes some measure of plan quality

Future

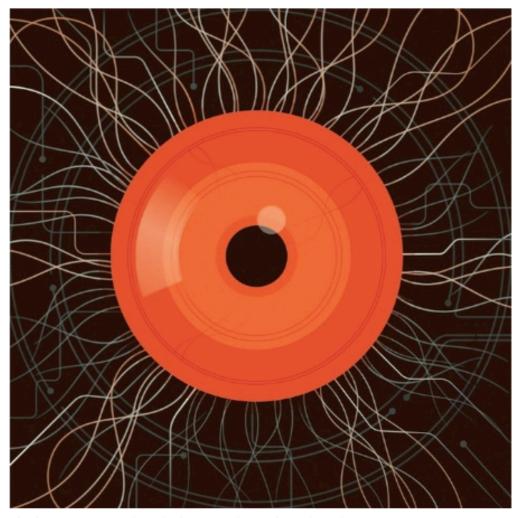
HOW FRIGHTENED SHOULD WE BE OF A.I.?

Thinking about artificial intelligence can help clarify what makes us human—for better and for worse.



By Tad Friend May 7, 2018





An A.I. system may need to take charge in order to achieve the goals we gave it.

Illustration by Harry Campbell

Combining Symbolic and Connexionist Approaches

Mastering Atari, Go, Chess and Shogi by Planning with a Learned Model

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Abstract

Constructing agents with planning capabilities has long been one of the main challenges in the pursuit of artificial intelligence. Tree-based planning methods have enjoyed huge success in challenging domains, such as chess and Go, where a perfect simulator is available. However, in real-world problems the dynamics governing the environment are often complex and unknown. In this work we present the *MuZero* algorithm which, by combining a tree-based search with a learned model, achieves superhuman performance in a range of challenging and visually complex domains, without any knowledge of their underlying dynamics. *MuZero* learns a model that, when applied iteratively, predicts the quantities most directly relevant to planning: the reward, the action-selection policy, and the value function. When evaluated on 57 different Atari games - the canonical video game environment for testing AI techniques, in which model-based planning approaches have historically struggled our new algorithm achieved a new state of the art. When evaluated on Go, chess and shogi, without any knowledge of the game rules, *MuZero* matched the superhuman performance of the *AlphaZero* algorithm that was supplied with the game rules.

Should we be afraid of AI?

