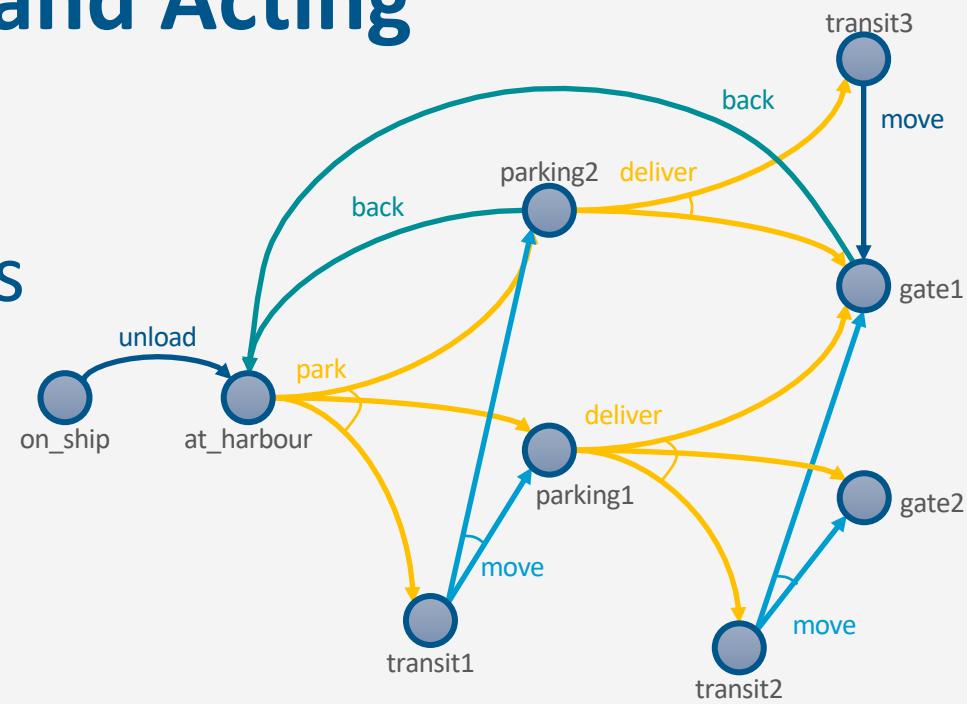


# Automated Planning and Acting

## Nondeterministic Models

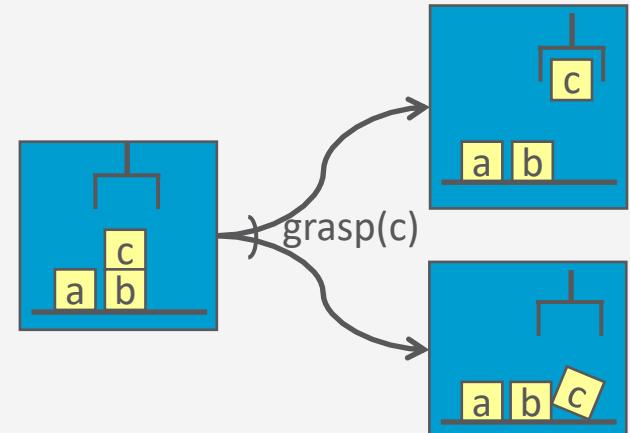


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# Motivation

- We have assumed action  $a$  in state  $s$  has just one possible outcome
  - $\gamma(s, a)$
- Often more than one possible outcome
  - Unintended outcomes
  - Exogenous events
  - Inherent uncertainty



# Outline per the Book

## *5.2 Planning Problem*

- Planning domains
- Plans as policies
- Planning problems and solutions

## *5.3 And/Or Graph Search*

- Planning by forward search

## *5.5 Determinisation Techniques*

- Guided planning for safe solutions
- Planning for safe solutions by determinisation

## *5.6 Online Approaches*

- Lookahead
- Lookahead by determinisation
- Lookahead with a bounded number of steps

# Nondeterministic Planning Domains

- Planning domain: 3-tuple  $(S, A, \gamma)$ 
  - $S$  and  $A$  – finite sets of states and actions
  - $\gamma : S \times A \rightarrow 2^S$
- $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{all possible “next states” after applying action } a \text{ in state } s\}$
- $a$  is **applicable** in state  $s$  iff  $\gamma(s, a) \neq \emptyset$
- $Applicable(s) = \{\text{all actions applicable in } s\} = \{a \in A | \gamma(s, a) \neq \emptyset\}$
- One possible action representation:
  - $n$  mutually exclusive “effects” lists
  - **Problem:**  $n$  may be combinatorically large
    - Suppose  $a$  can cause any possible combination of effects  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k$
    - Need  $eff_1, eff_2, \dots, eff_{2^k \triangleq n}$  effect lists
      - One for each possible combination of  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k$
      - *Section 5.4: a way to alleviate this*
    - For now, ignore most of that
      - states, actions  $\Leftrightarrow$  nodes, edges in a graph

$$a(z_1, \dots, z_k)$$

pre:	$p_1, \dots, p_m$
eff <sub>1</sub> :	$e_{11}, e_{12}, \dots$
eff <sub>2</sub> :	$e_{21}, e_{22}, \dots$
⋮	
eff <sub>n</sub> :	$e_{n1}, e_{n2}, \dots$

# Nondeterministic Planning Domains

- For deterministic planning problems, search space was a graph

- Now it's an AND/OR graph

- OR branch:**

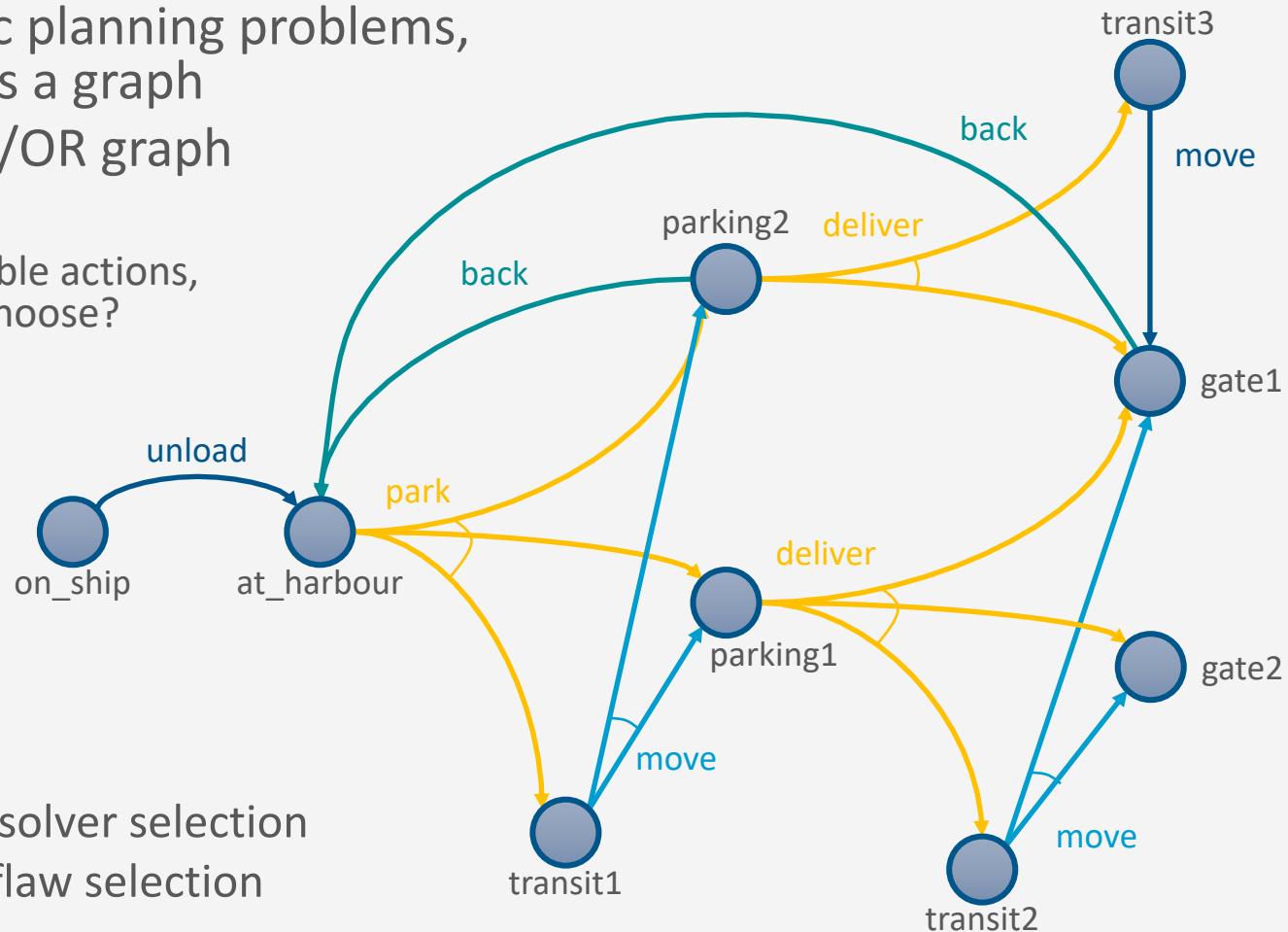
- Several applicable actions, which one to choose?

- AND branch:**

- Multiple possible outcomes
- Must handle all of them

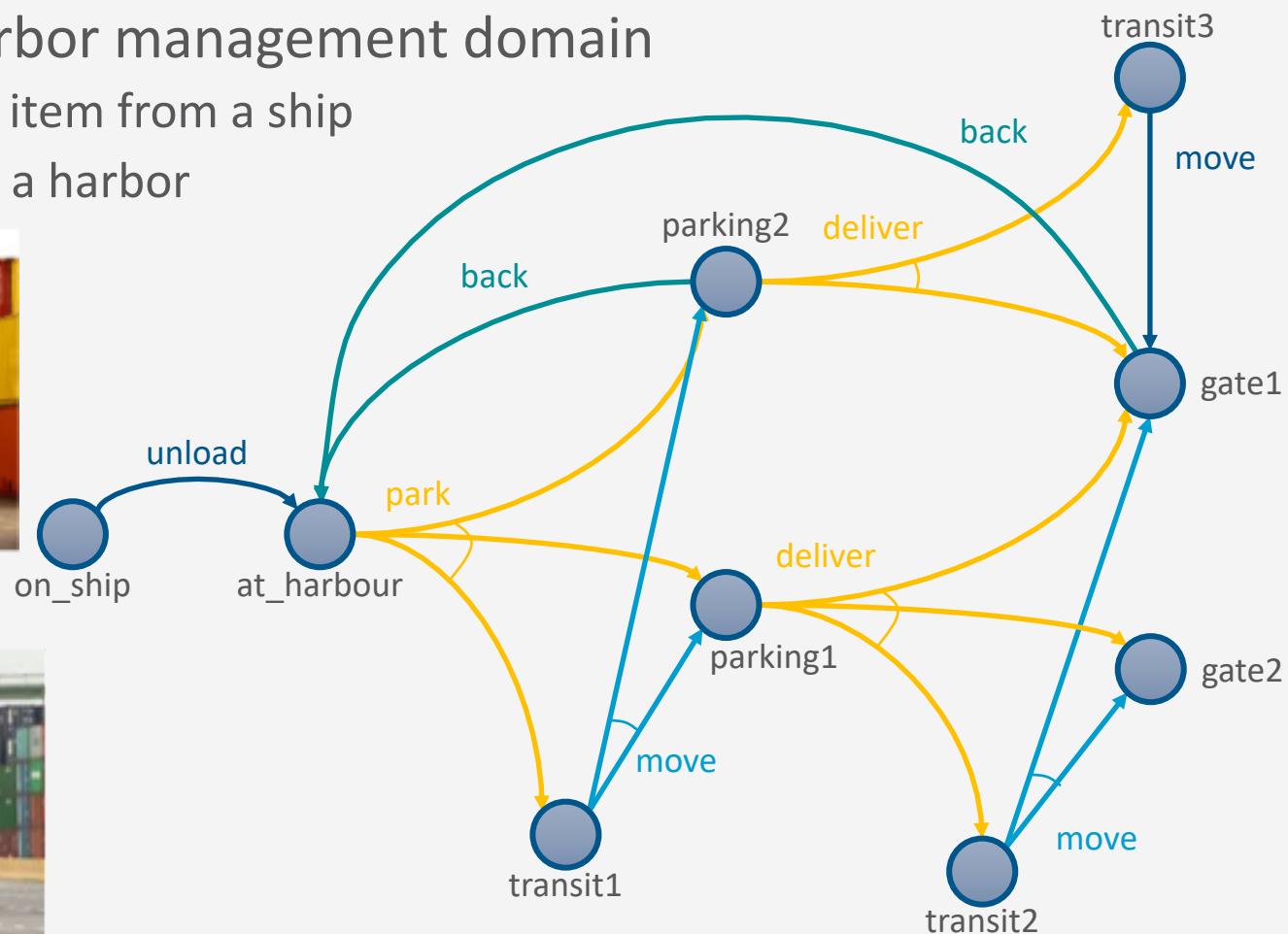
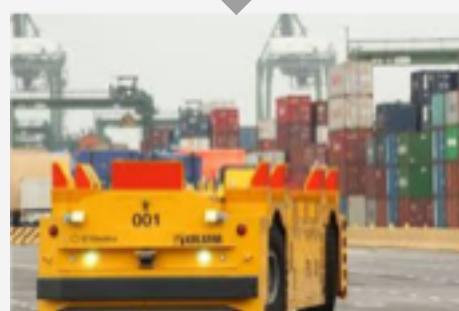
- Analogy to PSP

- OR* branch  $\Leftrightarrow$  resolver selection
- AND* branch  $\Leftrightarrow$  flaw selection



## Example

- Very simple harbor management domain
  - Unload a single item from a ship
  - Move it around a harbor



## Example

- One state variable:  $pos(item)$

- Simplified names for states
  - For  $\{pos(item) = on\_ship\}$  write *on\_ship*

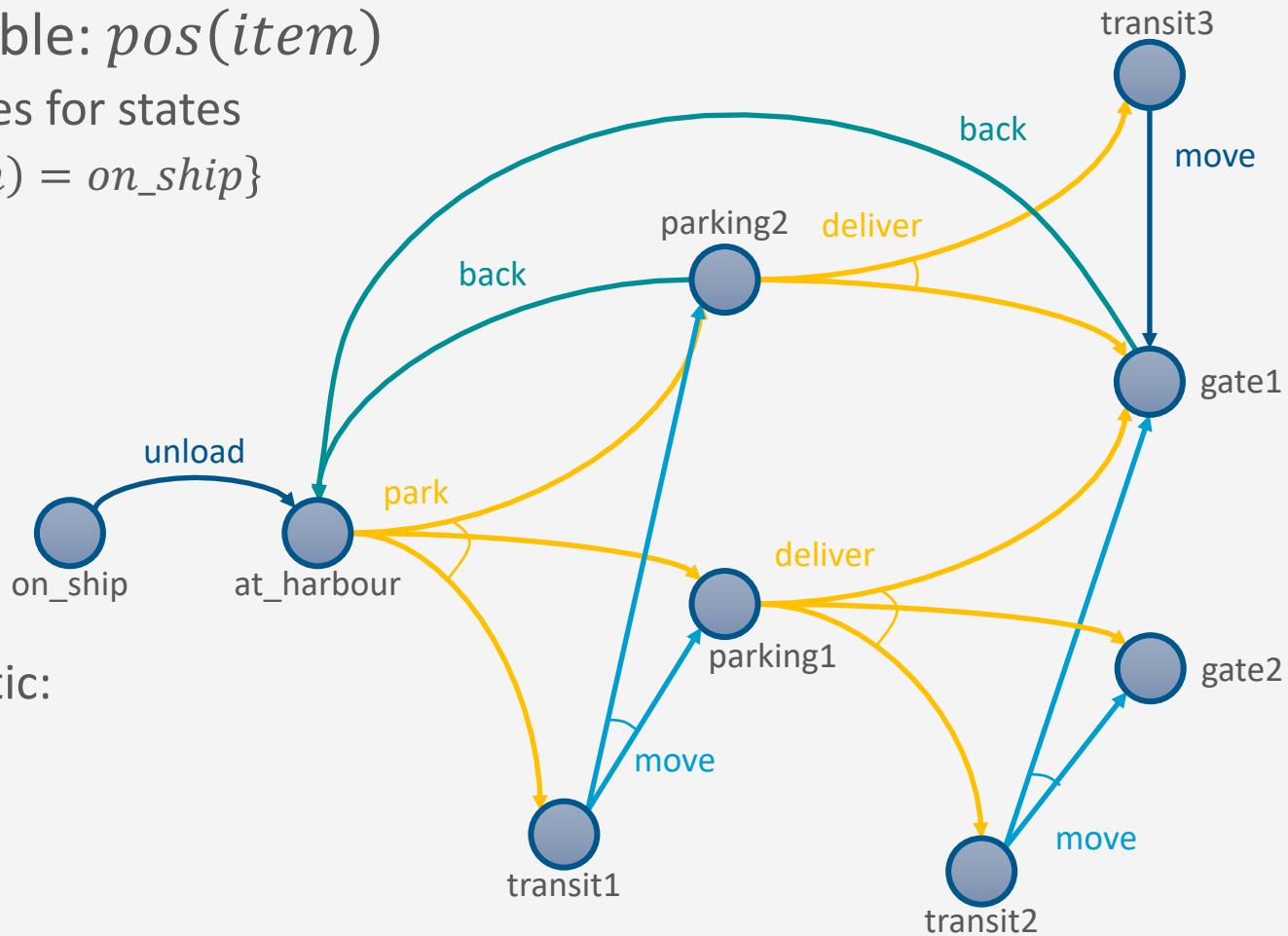
- Five actions

- Deterministic:

- *unload*
- *back*
- (*move in transit3*)

- Nondeterministic:

- *park*,
- *move*,
- *deliver*



# Actions

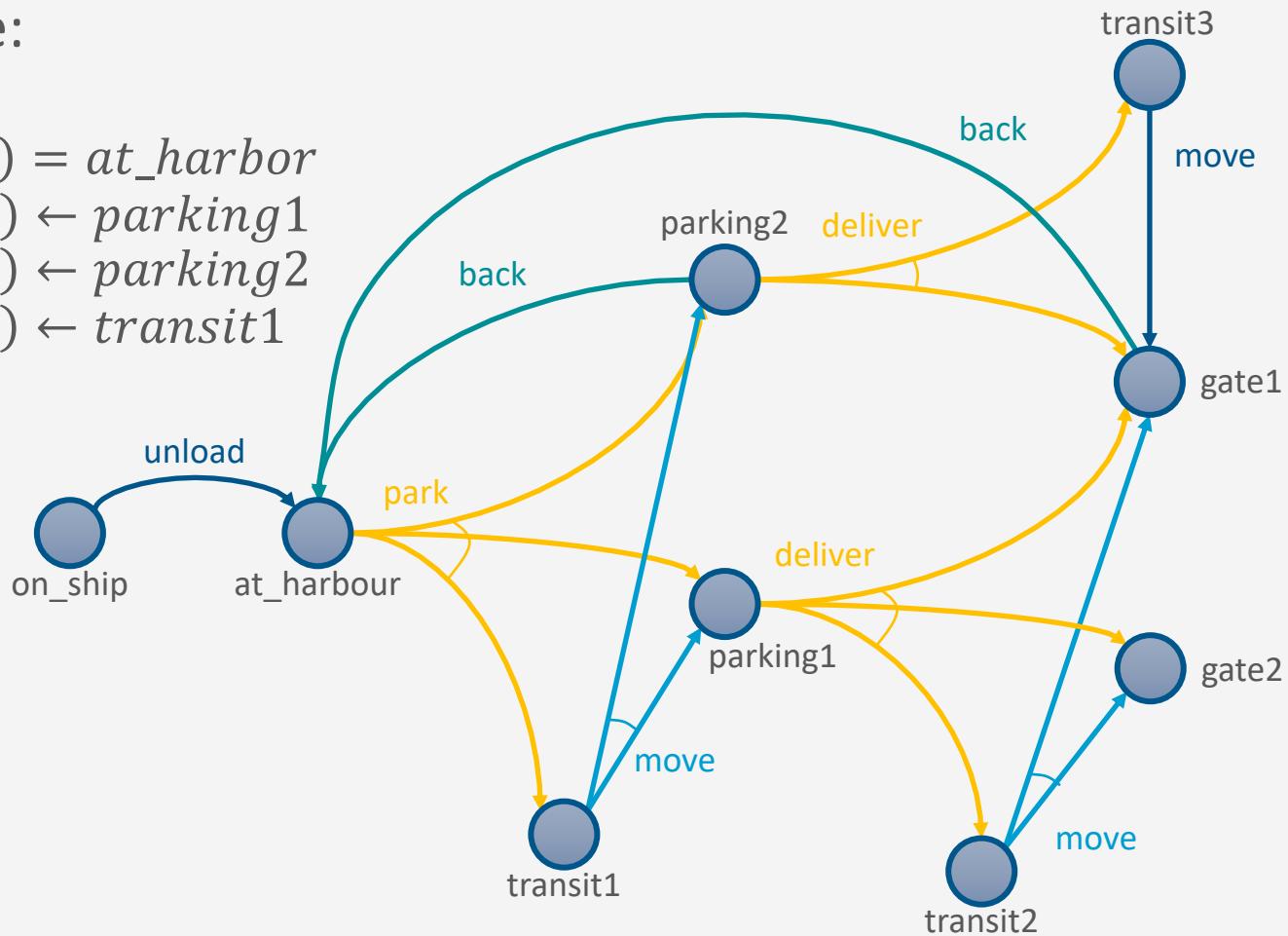
- Action example:

- *park*

pre:  $pos(item) = at\_harbor$   
 eff<sub>1</sub>:  $pos(item) \leftarrow parking1$   
 eff<sub>2</sub>:  $pos(item) \leftarrow parking2$   
 eff<sub>3</sub>:  $pos(item) \leftarrow transit1$

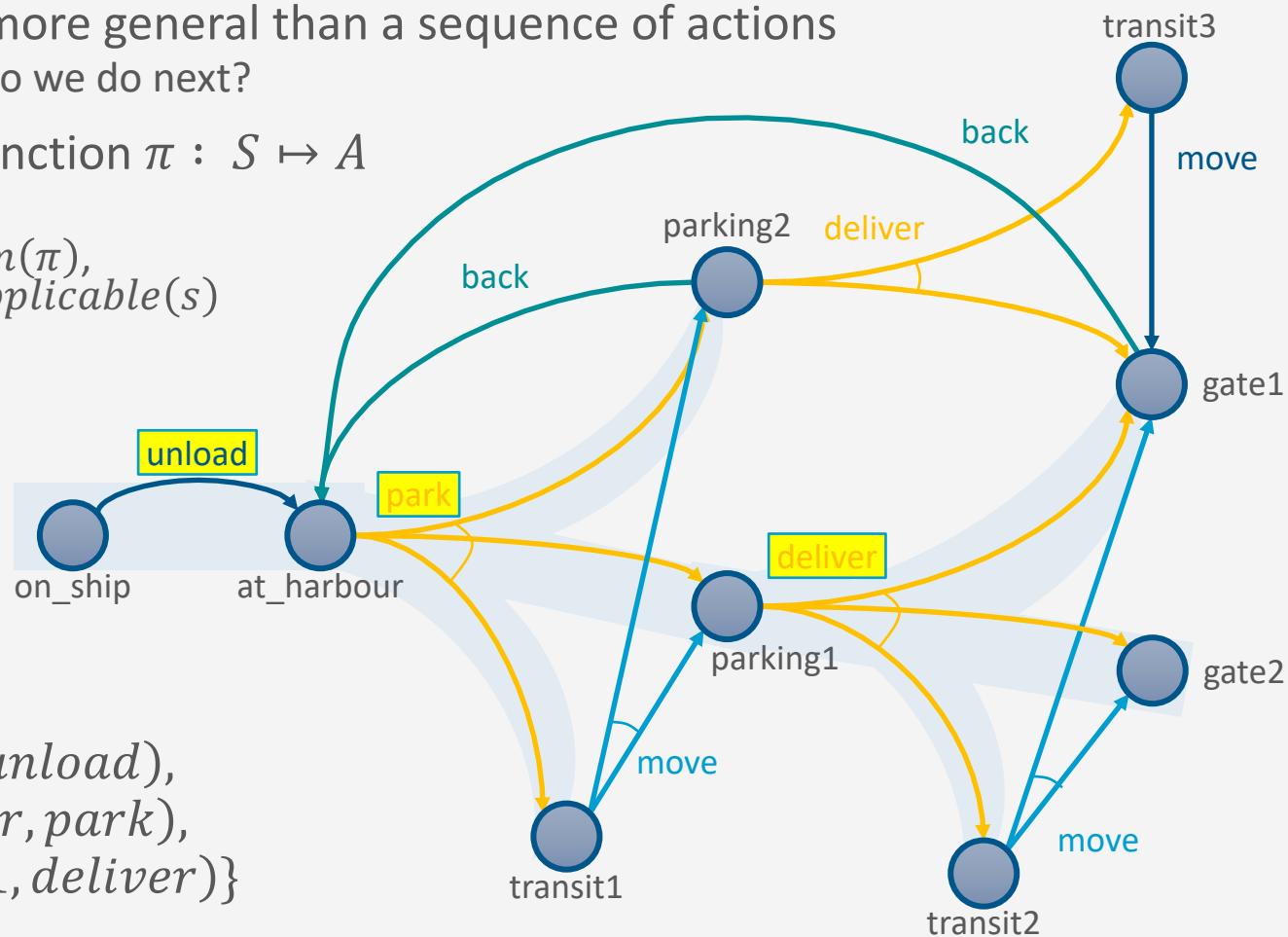
- Three possible outcomes

- Put item in *parking1* or *parking2* if one of them has space or
  - in *transit1* if there is no parking space



## Plans Policies

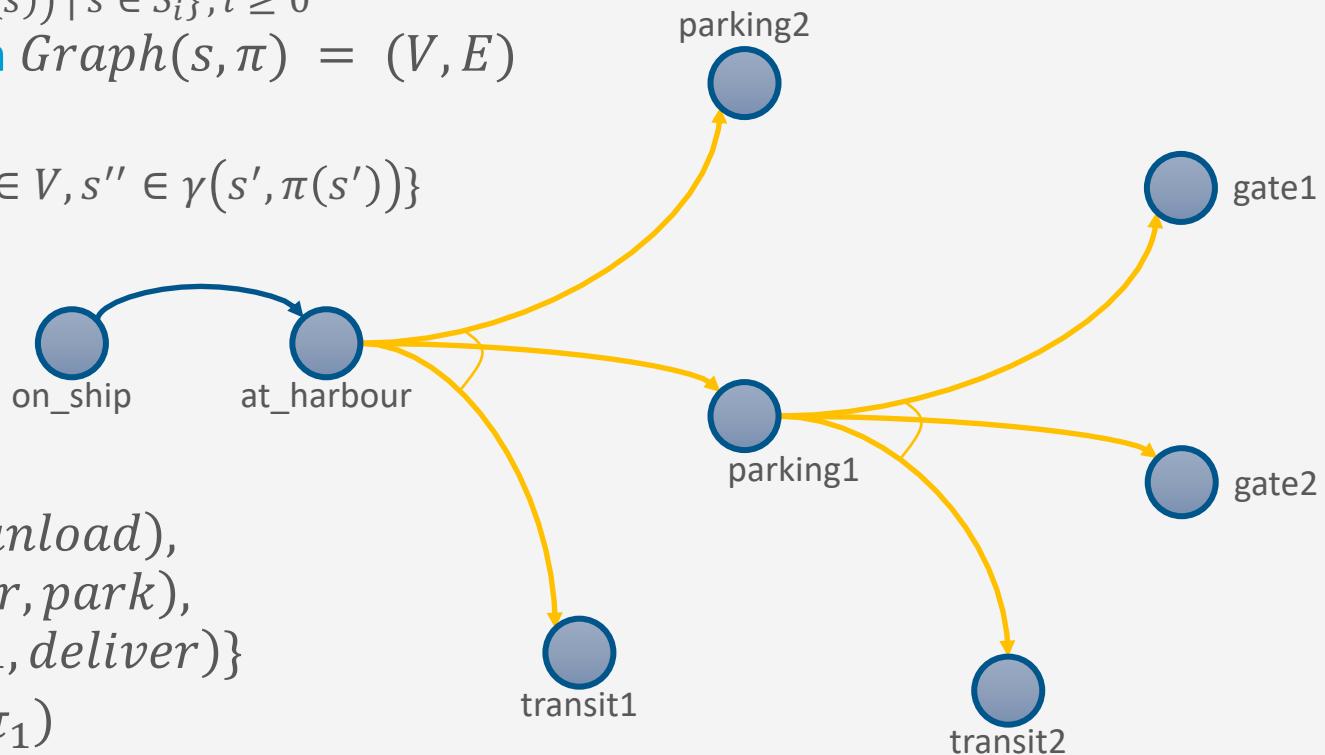
- Need something more general than a sequence of actions
  - After park, what do we do next?
- **Policy**: a *partial* function  $\pi : S \mapsto A$ 
  - i.e.,  $\text{Dom}(\pi) \subseteq S$
  - For every  $s \in \text{Dom}(\pi)$ , require  $\pi(s) \in \text{Applicable}(s)$
- Meaning:
  - Perform  $\pi(s)$  whenever we are in state  $s$



- $\pi_1 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$

# Definitions Over Policies

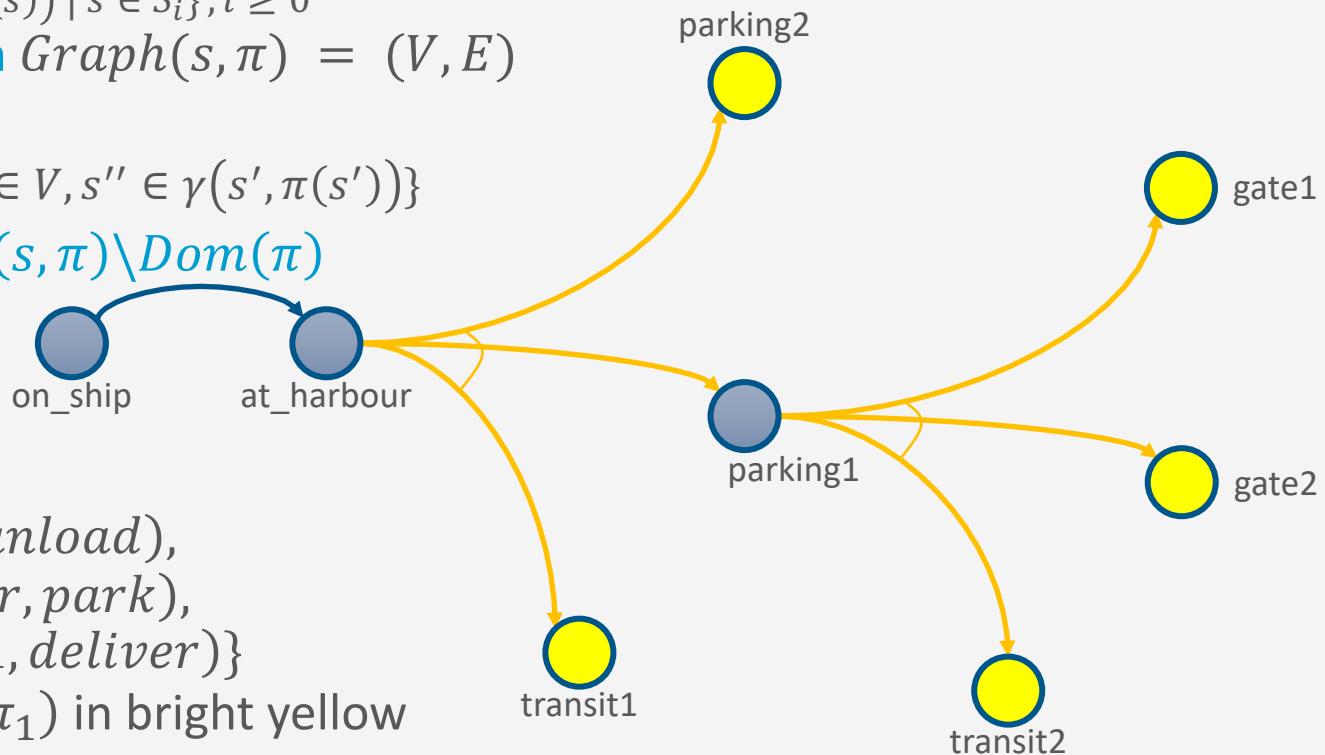
- **Transitive closure**  $\hat{\gamma}(s, \pi) = \{\text{all states reachable from } s \text{ using } \pi\}$ 
  - $\hat{\gamma}(s, \pi) = S_0 \cup S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots$ 
    - $S_0 = \{s\}$
    - $S_{i+1} = \bigcup \{\gamma(s, \pi(s)) \mid s \in S_i\}, i \geq 0$
- **Reachability graph**  $\text{Graph}(s, \pi) = (V, E)$ 
  - $V = \hat{\gamma}(s, \pi)$
  - $E = \{(s', s'') \mid s' \in V, s'' \in \gamma(s', \pi(s'))\}$



- $\pi_1 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$
- $\text{Graph}(on\_ship, \pi_1)$

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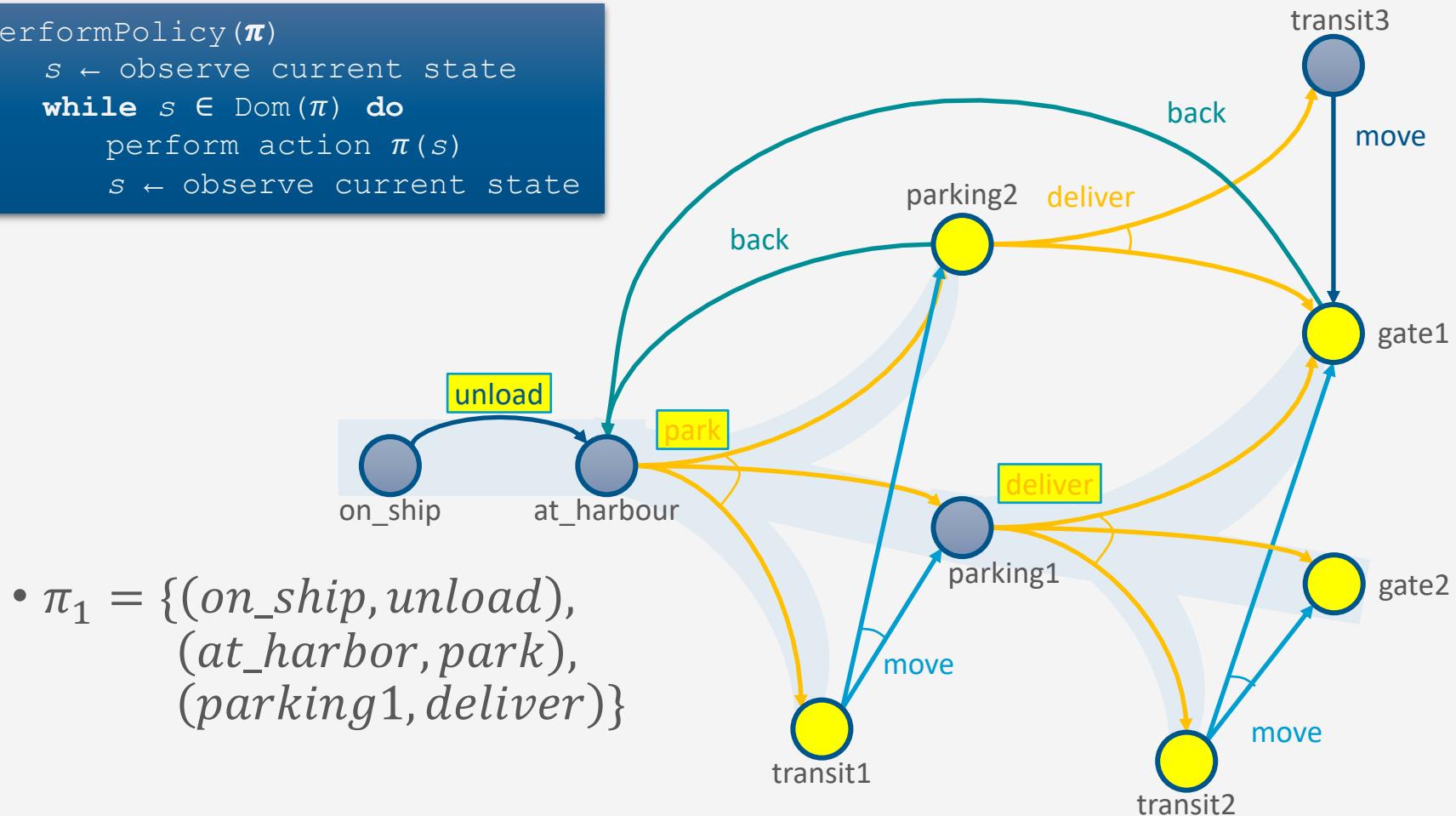
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- **$\text{leaves}(s, \pi) = \hat{\gamma}(s, \pi) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi)$** 
  - May be empty
- $\pi_1 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$
- $\text{leaves}(on\_ship, \pi_1)$  in bright yellow



# Performing a Policy

```

PerformPolicy( $\pi$ )
   $s \leftarrow$  observe current state
  while  $s \in \text{Dom}(\pi)$  do
    perform action  $\pi(s)$ 
     $s \leftarrow$  observe current state
  
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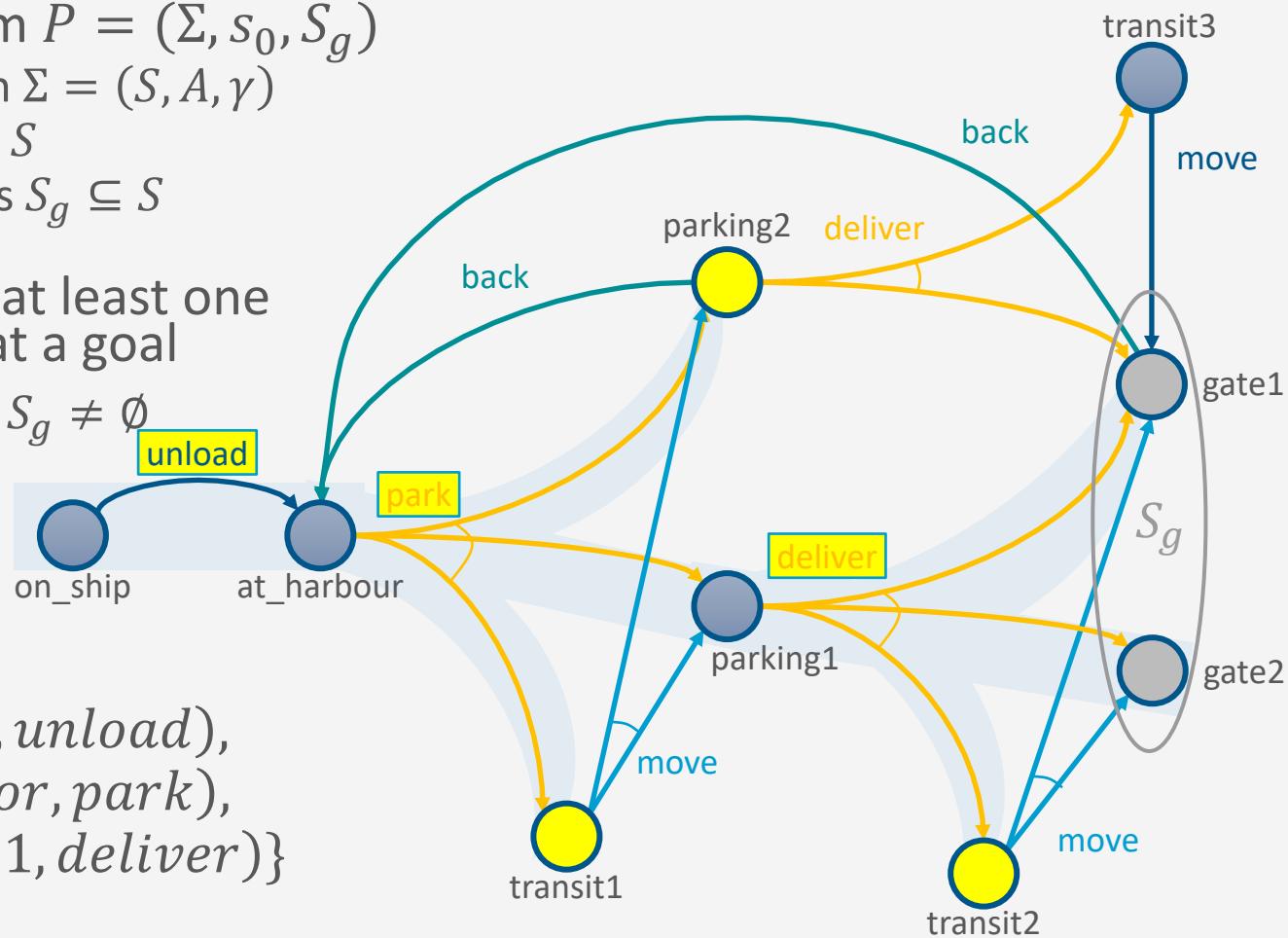


# Planning Problems and Solutions

- Planning problem  $P = (\Sigma, s_0, S_g)$ 
  - Planning domain  $\Sigma = (S, A, \gamma)$
  - Initial state  $s_0 \in S$
  - Set of goal states  $S_g \subseteq S$   
(shown in grey)
- $\pi$  is a **solution** if at least one execution ends at a goal
  - $\text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \cap S_g \neq \emptyset$

Is  $\pi_1$  a solution?

- $\pi_1 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$



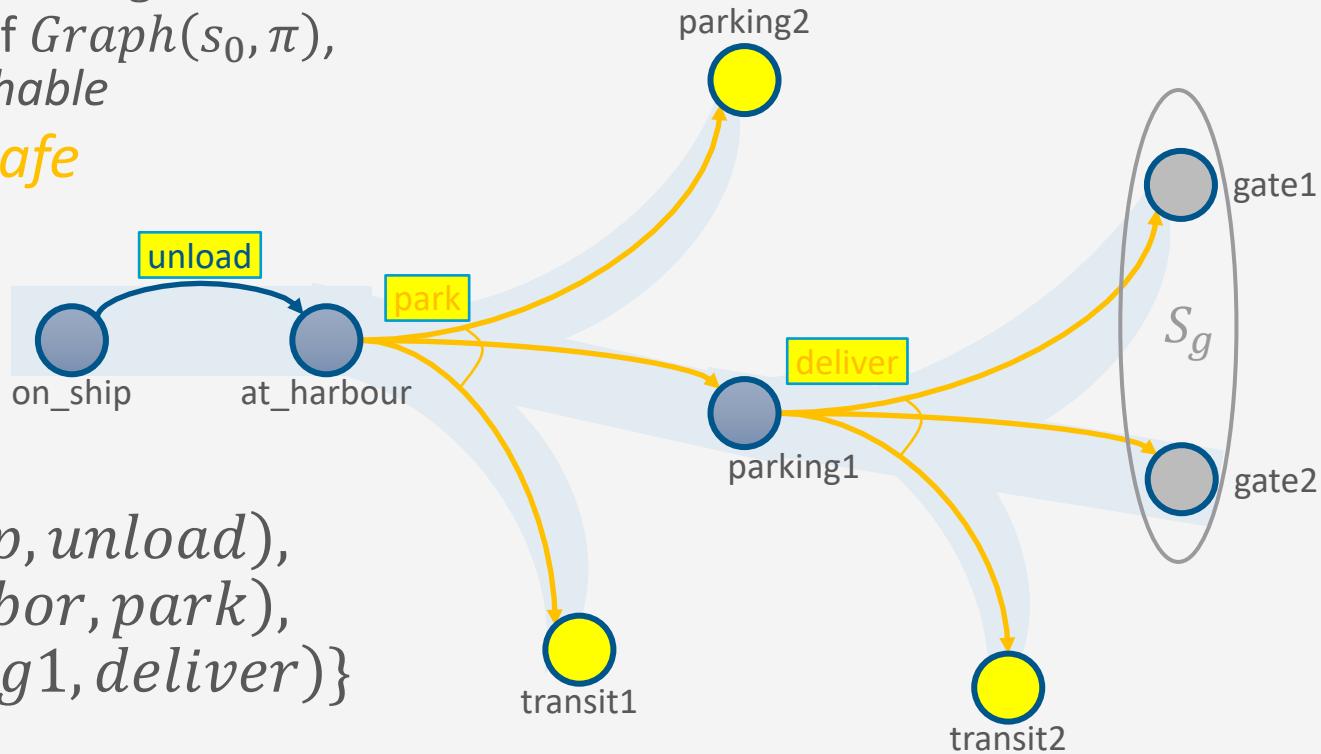
# Safe Solutions

- A solution  $\pi$  is **safe** if
$$\forall s \in \hat{\gamma}(s_0, \pi),$$

$$leaves(s, \pi) \cap S_g \neq \emptyset$$
  - at every node of  $Graph(s_0, \pi)$ , the goal is *reachable*
- Otherwise, **unsafe**

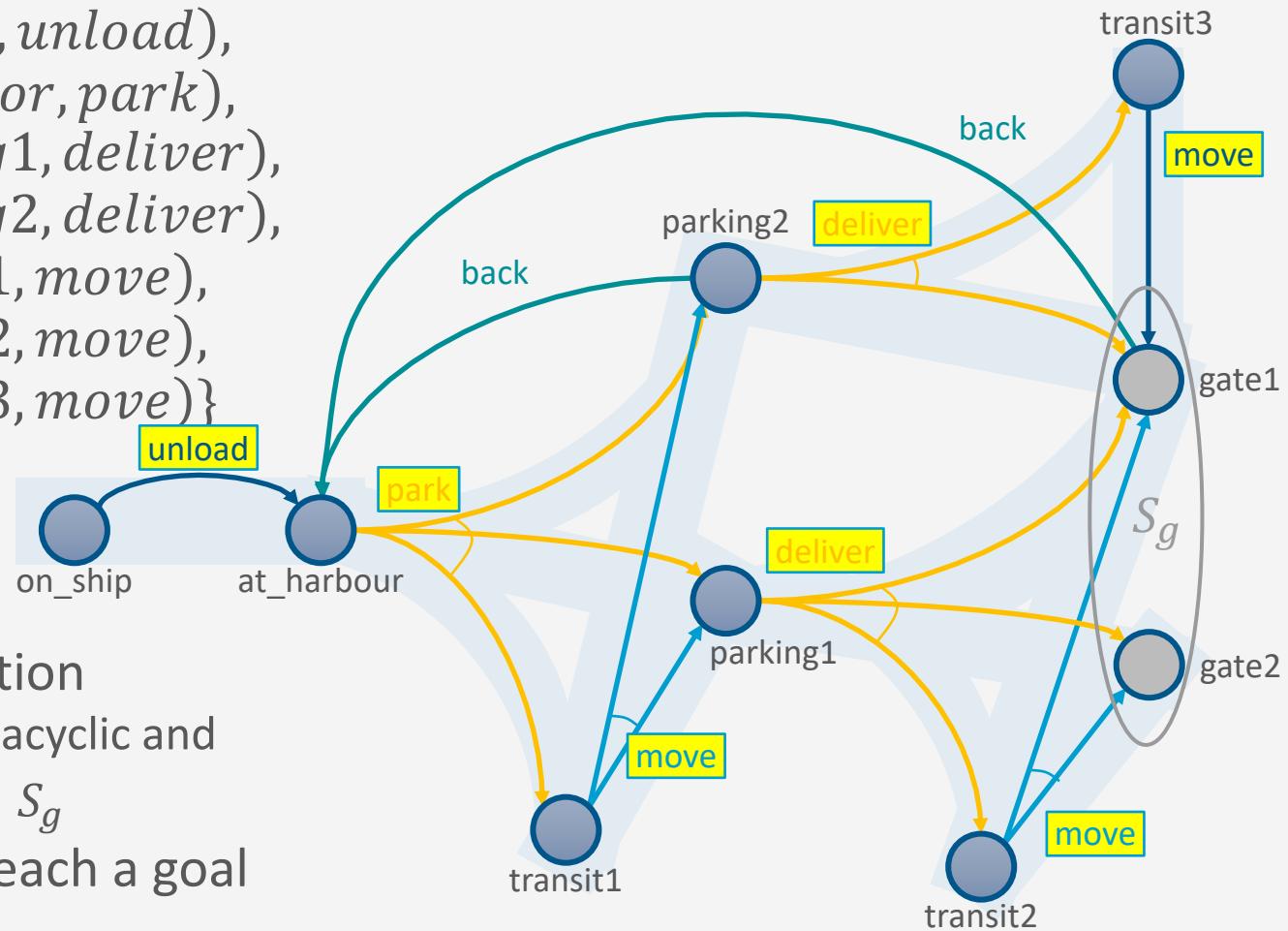
Is  $\pi_1$  safe?

- $\pi_1 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$



# Safe Solutions

- $\pi_2 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, deliver), (transit1, move), (transit2, move), (transit3, move)\}$

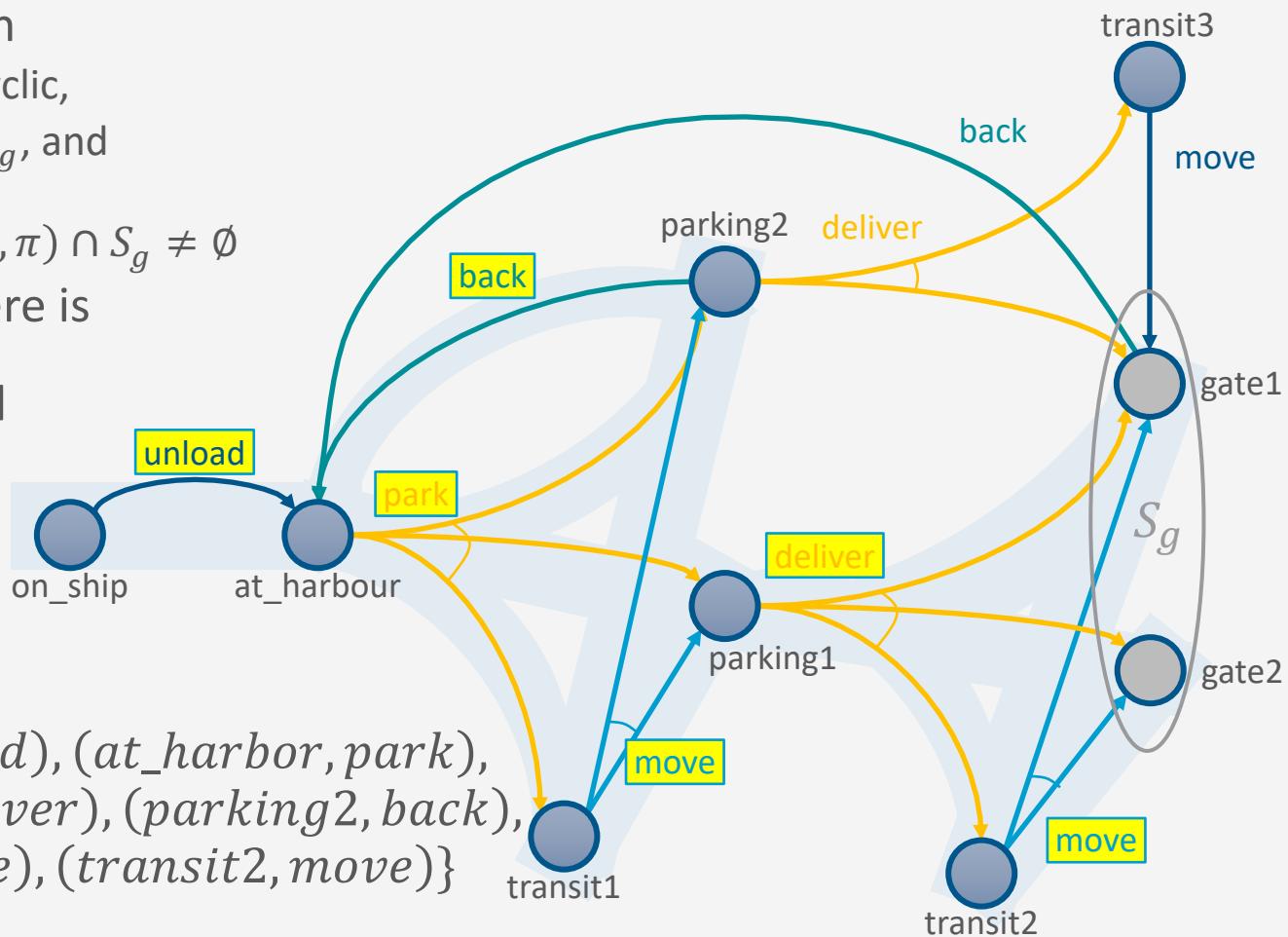


- **Acyclic** safe solution
  - $Graph(s_0, \pi)$  is acyclic and
  - $leaves(s_0, \pi) \subseteq S_g$
- Guaranteed to reach a goal

# Safe Solutions

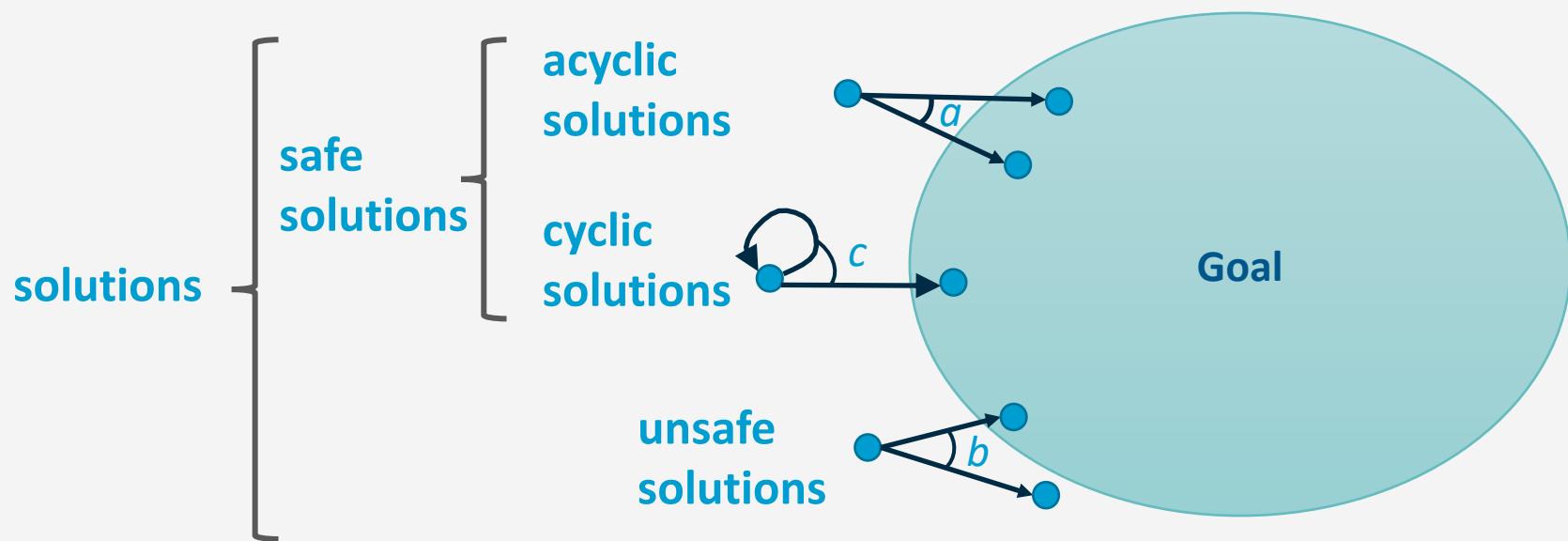
- Cyclic safe solution
  - $\text{Graph}(s_0, \pi)$  is cyclic,
  - $\text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \subseteq S_g$ , and
  - $\forall s \in \hat{\gamma}(s_0, \pi), \text{leaves}(s, \pi) \cap S_g \neq \emptyset$

- At every state, there is an execution path that ends at a goal
- Will never get caught in a dead end



- $\pi_3 = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, back), (transit1, move), (transit2, move)\}$

# Kinds of Solutions



# Intermediate Summary

- Planning Problems
  - Planning domains
  - Plans as policies
  - Planning problems and solutions
    - Types of solutions: safe, unsafe, acyclic, cyclic

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# Finding (Unsafe) Solutions

**Find-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

```

 $s \leftarrow s_0$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
 $Visited \leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
loop
    if  $s \in S_g$  then
        return  $\pi$ 
     $A' \leftarrow \text{Applicable}(s)$ 
    if  $A' = \emptyset$  then
        return failure
    nondeterministically choose  $a \in A'$ 
    nondeterministically choose  $s' \in \gamma(s, a)$ 
    if  $s' \in Visited$  then
        return failure
     $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
     $Visited \leftarrow Visited \cup \{s'\}$ 
     $s \leftarrow s'$ 

```

**Forward-search**( $\Sigma, s_0, g$ )

```

 $s \leftarrow s_0$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \langle \rangle$ 
loop
    if  $s$  satisfies  $g$  then
        return  $\pi$ 
     $A' \leftarrow \{a \in A \mid a \text{ is applicable in } s\}$ 
    if  $A' = \emptyset$  then
        return failure
    nondeterministically choose  $a \in A'$ 
     $s \leftarrow \gamma(s, a)$ 
     $\pi \leftarrow \pi.a$ 

```

For comparison: Forward-search  
with deterministic models

Decide which state to plan for

Cycle-checking

**Find-Solution** ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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$\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$

$Visited \leftarrow \{s_0\}$

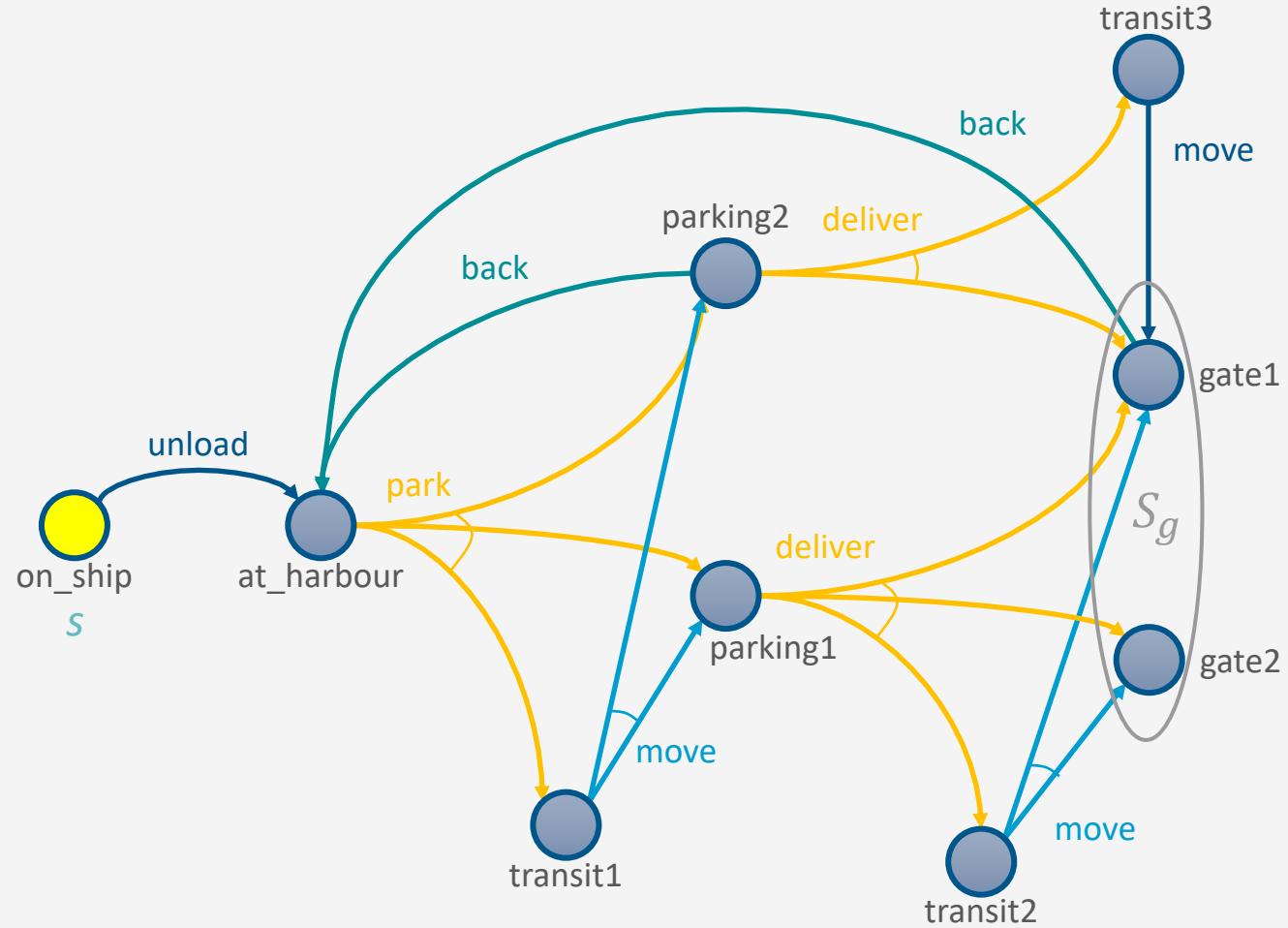
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## Example

$s = \text{on\_ship}$

$\pi = \{\}$

$Visited = \{\text{on\_ship}\}$



**Find-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

...

**loop**

**if**  $s \in S_g$  **then**

**return**  $\pi$

  ...

  nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$

  nondeterministically choose  $s' \in \gamma(s, a)$

  ...

$\pi(s) \leftarrow a$

  Visited  $\leftarrow$  Visited  $\cup \{s'\}$

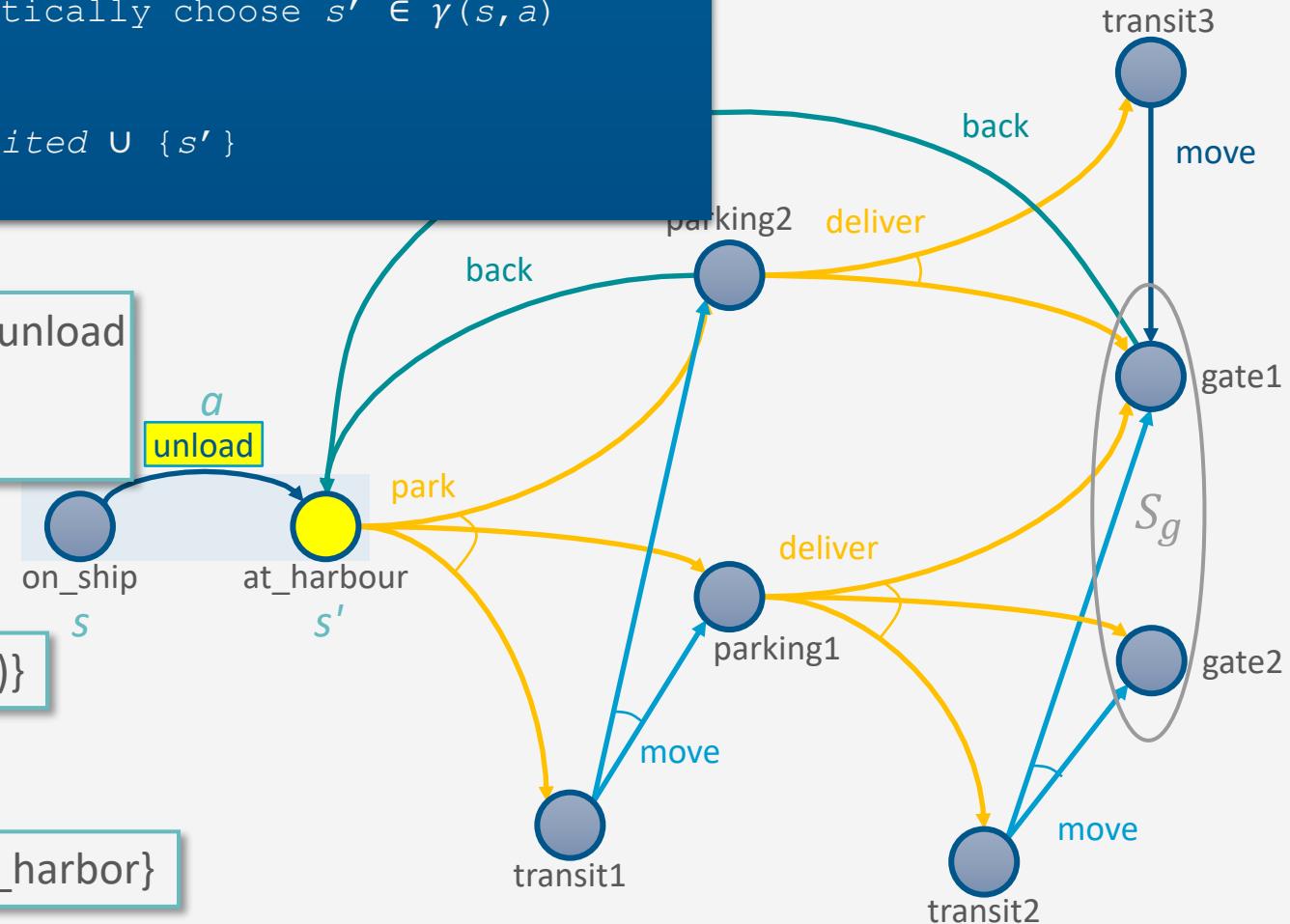
$s \leftarrow s'$

$s = \text{on\_ship}, a = \text{unload}$   
 $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{at\_harbor}\}$   
 $s' = \text{at\_harbor}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload})\}$

Visited = {on\_ship, at\_harbor}

## Example



**Find-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

...

**loop**

**if**  $s \in S_g$  **then**

**return**  $\pi$

  ...

  nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$

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  ...

$\pi(s) \leftarrow a$

  Visited  $\leftarrow$  Visited  $\cup \{s'\}$

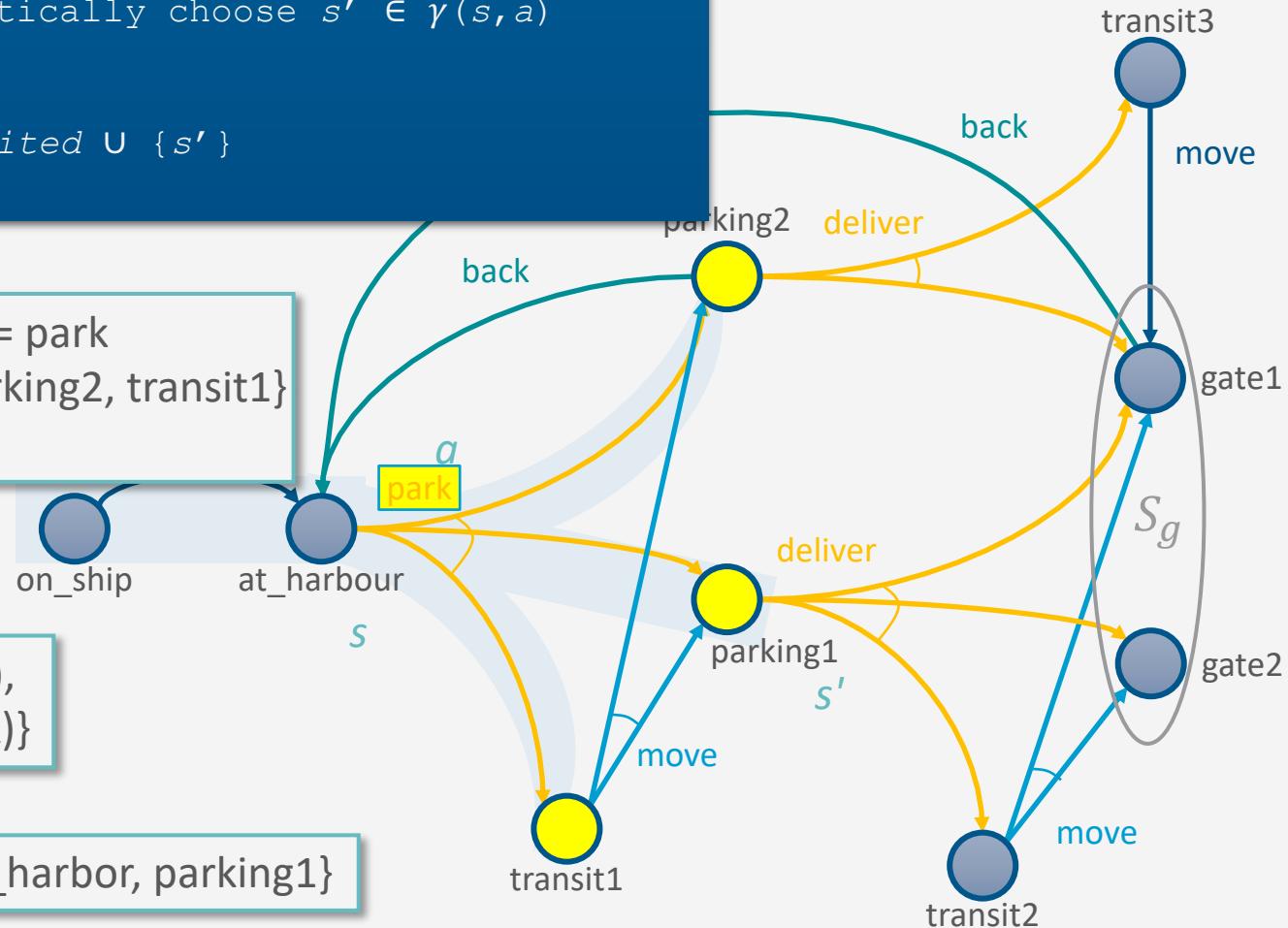
$s \leftarrow s'$

## Example

$s = \text{at\_harbor}, a = \text{park}$   
 $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{parking1}, \text{parking2}, \text{transit1}\}$   
 $s' = \text{parking1}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload}), (\text{at\_harbor}, \text{park})\}$

Visited = {on\_ship, at\_harbor, parking1}



# Example

**Find-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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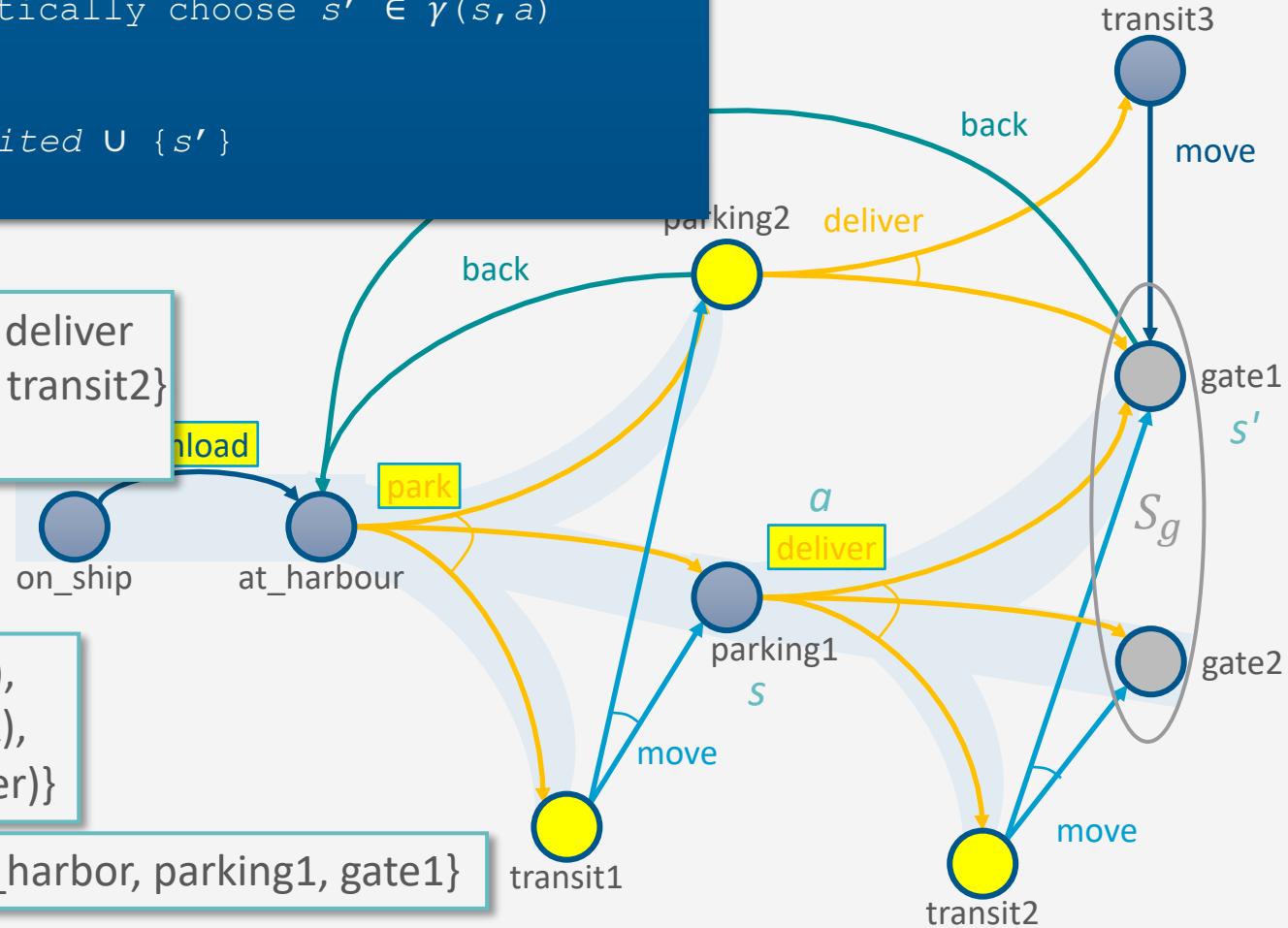
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    ...
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    nondeterministically choose  $s' \in \gamma(s, a)$ 
    ...
     $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
    Visited  $\leftarrow$  Visited  $\cup \{s'\}$ 
     $s \leftarrow s'$ 

```

$s = \text{parking1}$ ,  $a = \text{deliver}$   
 $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{gate1}, \text{gate2}, \text{transit2}\}$   
 $s' = \text{gate1}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload}),$   
 $(\text{at\_harbor}, \text{park}),$   
 $(\text{parking1}, \text{deliver})\}$

*Visited* = {on\_ship, at\_harbor, parking1, gate1}



**Find-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

...

**loop**

**if**  $s \in S_g$  **then**

**return**  $\pi$

  ...

  nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$

  nondeterministically choose  $s' \in \gamma(s, a)$

  ...

$\pi(s) \leftarrow a$

  Visited  $\leftarrow \text{Visited} \cup \{s'\}$

$s \leftarrow s'$

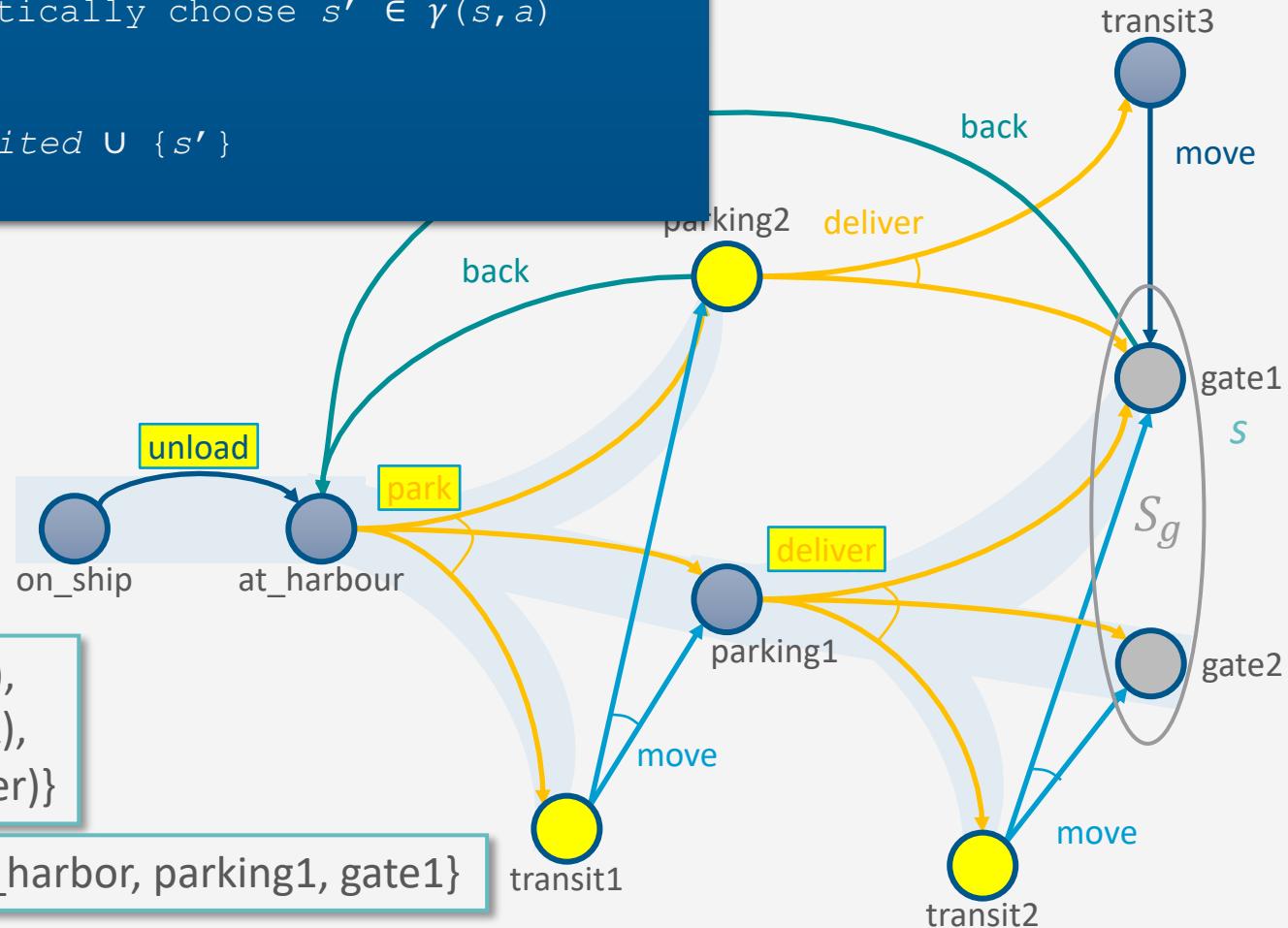
$s = \text{gate1}$

Gate1 is a goal,  
so return  $\pi$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver)\}$

Visited = {on\_ship, at\_harbor, parking1, gate1}

## Example



# Finding Acyclic Safe Solutions

```

Find-Acyclic-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
     $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
     $Frontier \leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
    for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
         $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
        if Applicable( $s$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
            return failure
        nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$ 
         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
         $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
        if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
            return failure
    return  $\pi$ 

```

Keep track of unexpanded states, like in A\*

Add all outcomes that  $\pi$  does not already handle

Cycle-checking

- Check for cycles
  - For each  $s' \in (\gamma(s, a) \cap \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
    - Is  $s' \in \hat{\gamma}(s', \pi)$ ?
  - Formally,  $\text{has-loops}(\pi, s, Frontier)$  iff
 
$$\exists s' \in (\gamma(s, a) \cap \text{Dom}(\pi)) : s' \in \hat{\gamma}(s', \pi)$$
  - I.e., a state  $s'$  is reachable from itself

**Find-Acyclic-Solution** ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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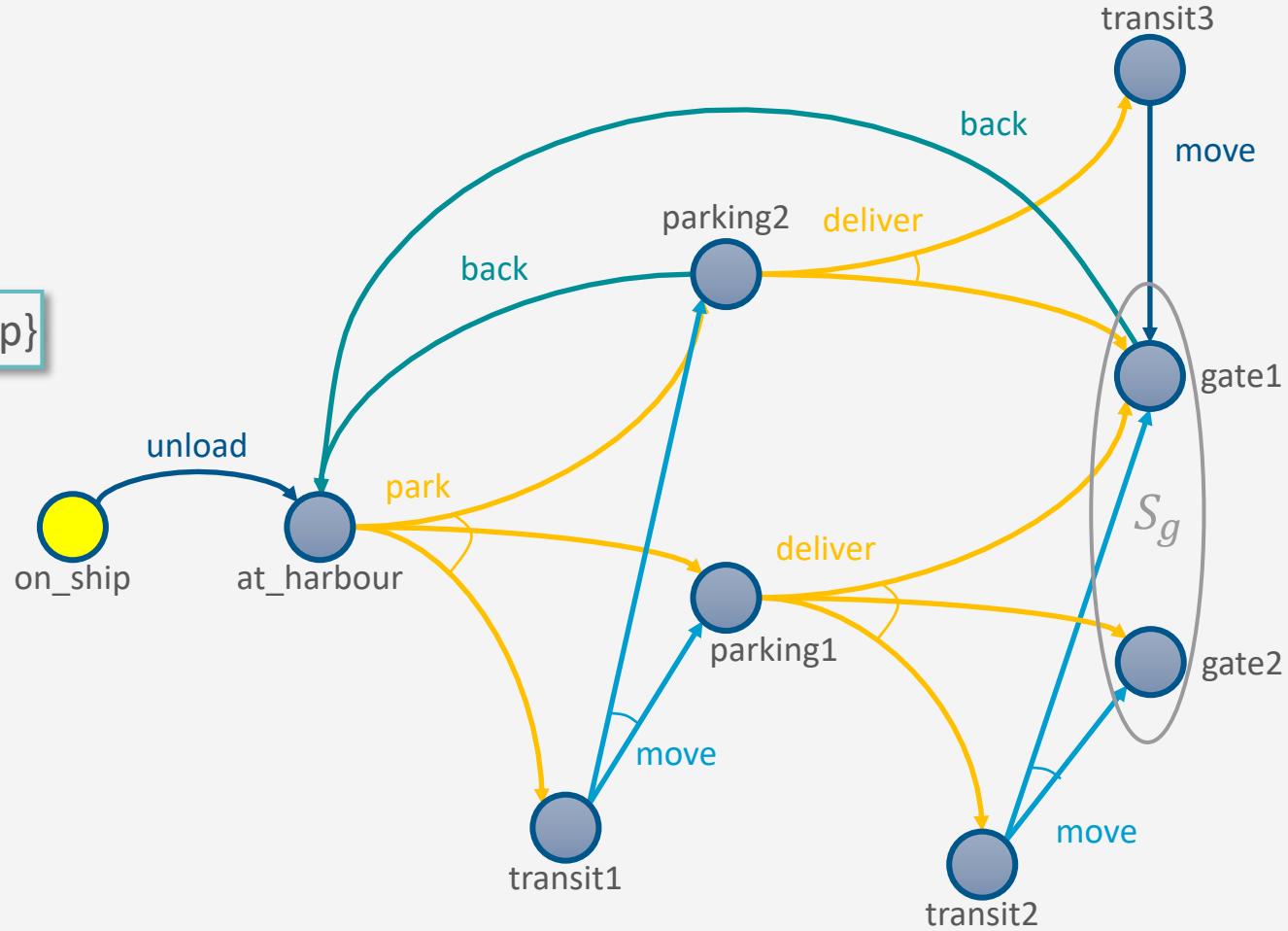
$Frontier \leftarrow \{s_0\}$

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## Example

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{on\_ship\}$

$\pi = \{\}$



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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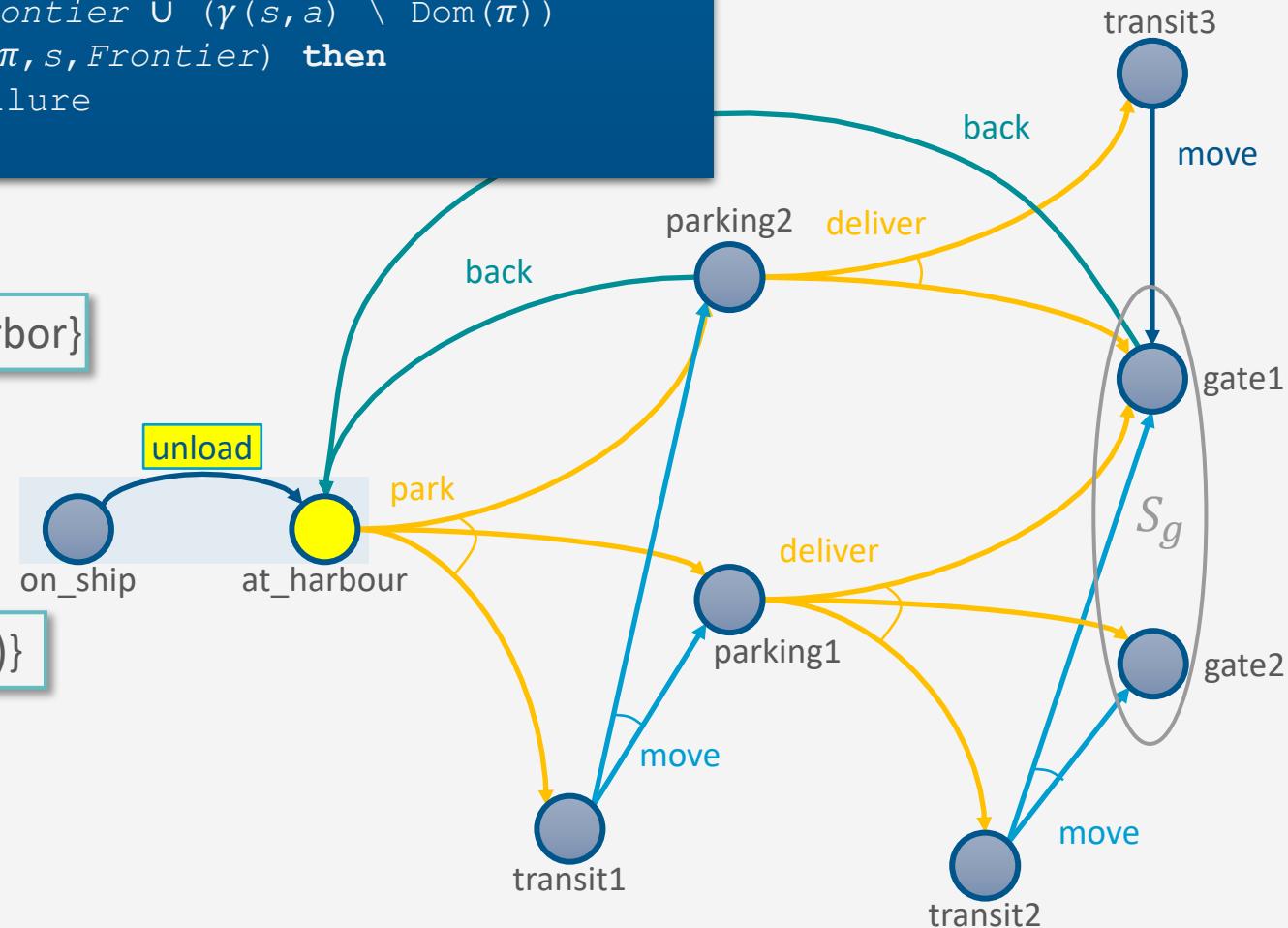
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...
nondeterministically choose  $a \in Applicable(s)$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{on\_ship}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{at\_harbor}\}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload})\}$

## Example



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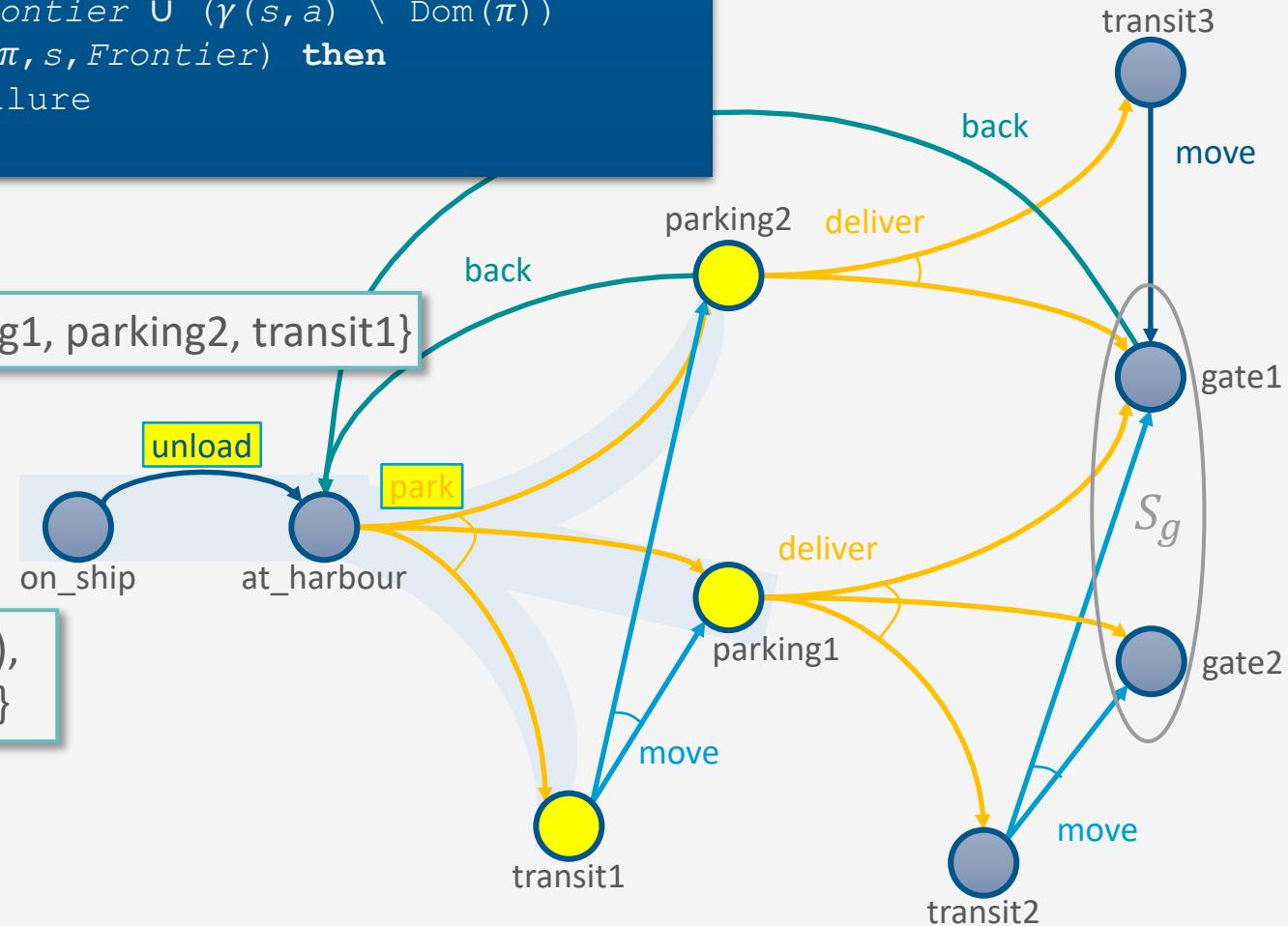
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    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{at\_harbor}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{parking1}, \text{parking2}, \text{transit1}\}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload}), (\text{at\_harbor}, \text{park})\}$

## Example



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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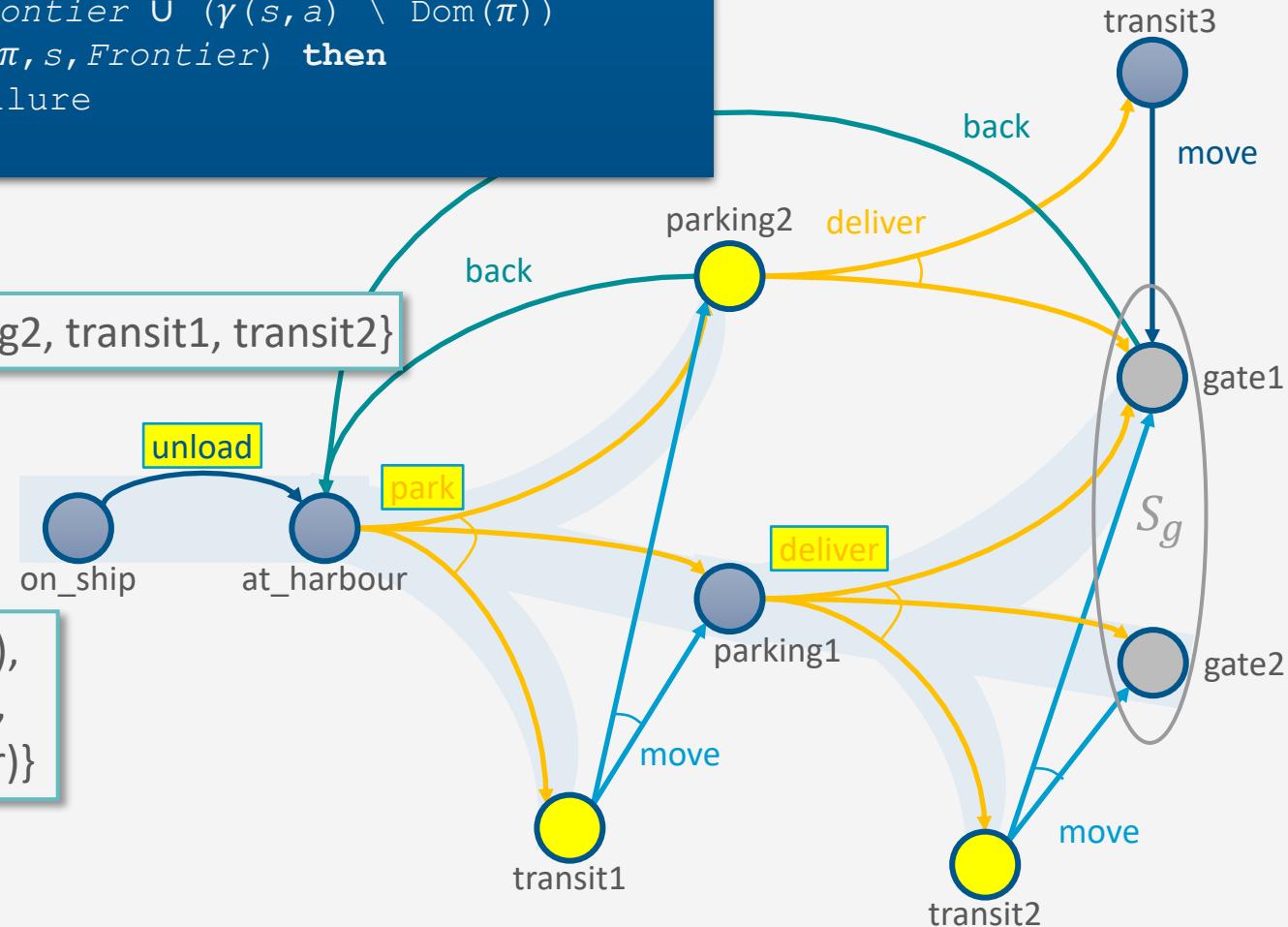
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if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = parking1$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{parking2, transit1, transit2\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver)\}$

## Example



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

```

...
for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
...
nondeterministically choose  $a \in Appl(s)$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 

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$s = parking2$

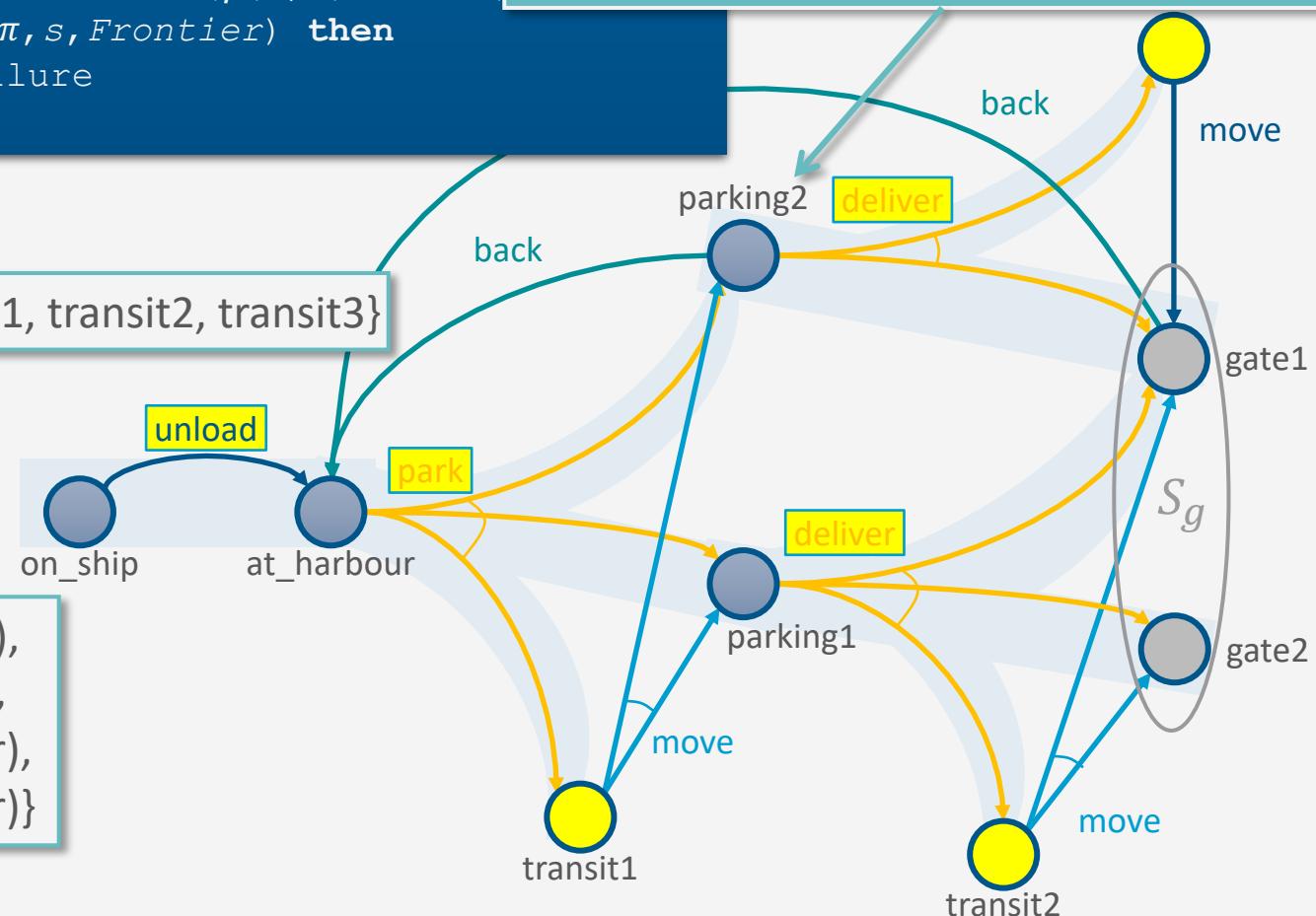
$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{transit1, transit2, transit3\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver),$   
 $(parking2, deliver)\}$

## Example

nondeterministically choose *back* or *deliver*

- *back*  $\Rightarrow$  cycle, so return *failure*
- *deliver*  $\Rightarrow$  no cycle, so continue



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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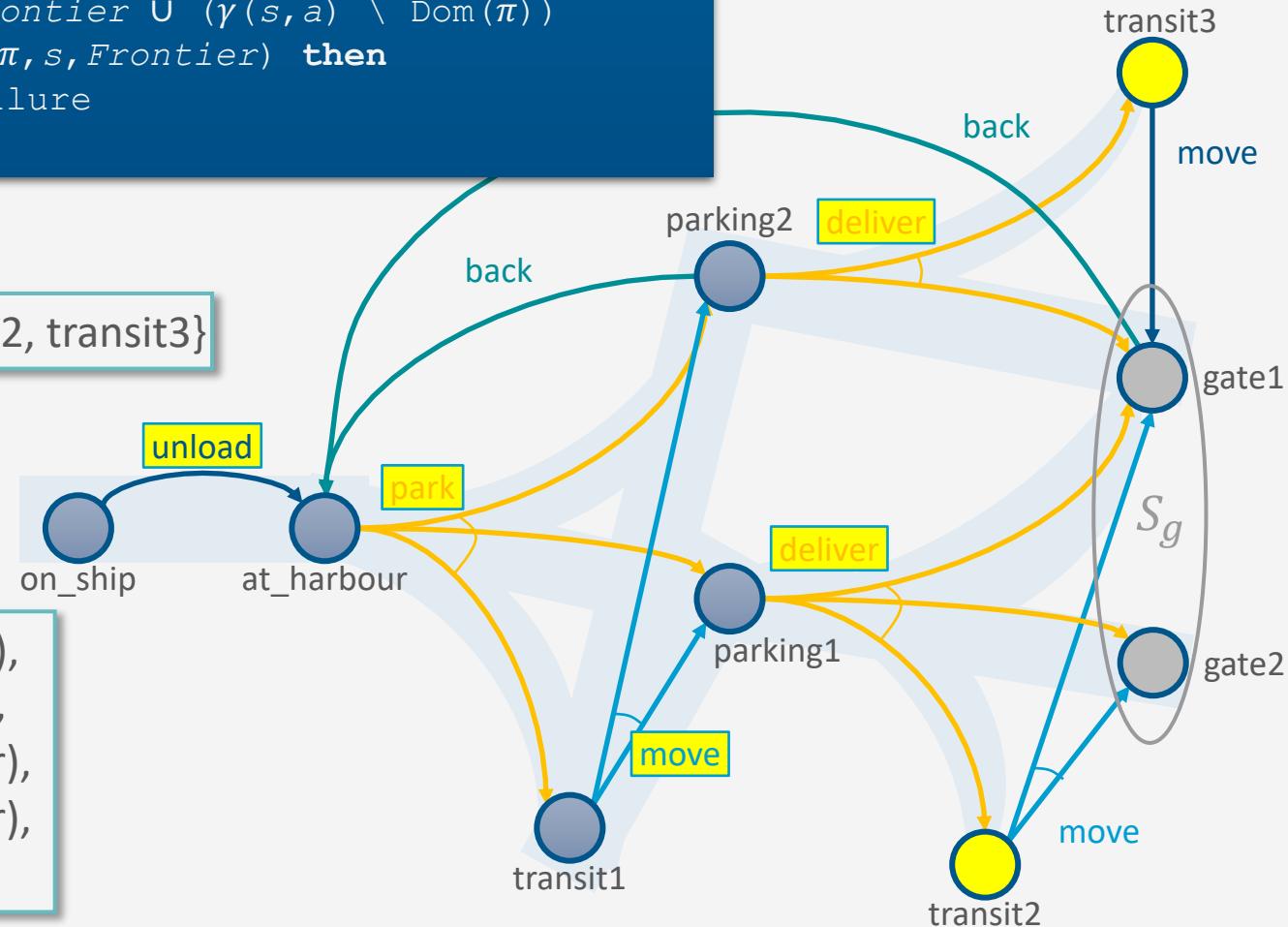
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 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = transit1$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{transit2, transit3\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver),$   
 $(parking2, deliver),$   
 $(transit1, move)\}$

## Example



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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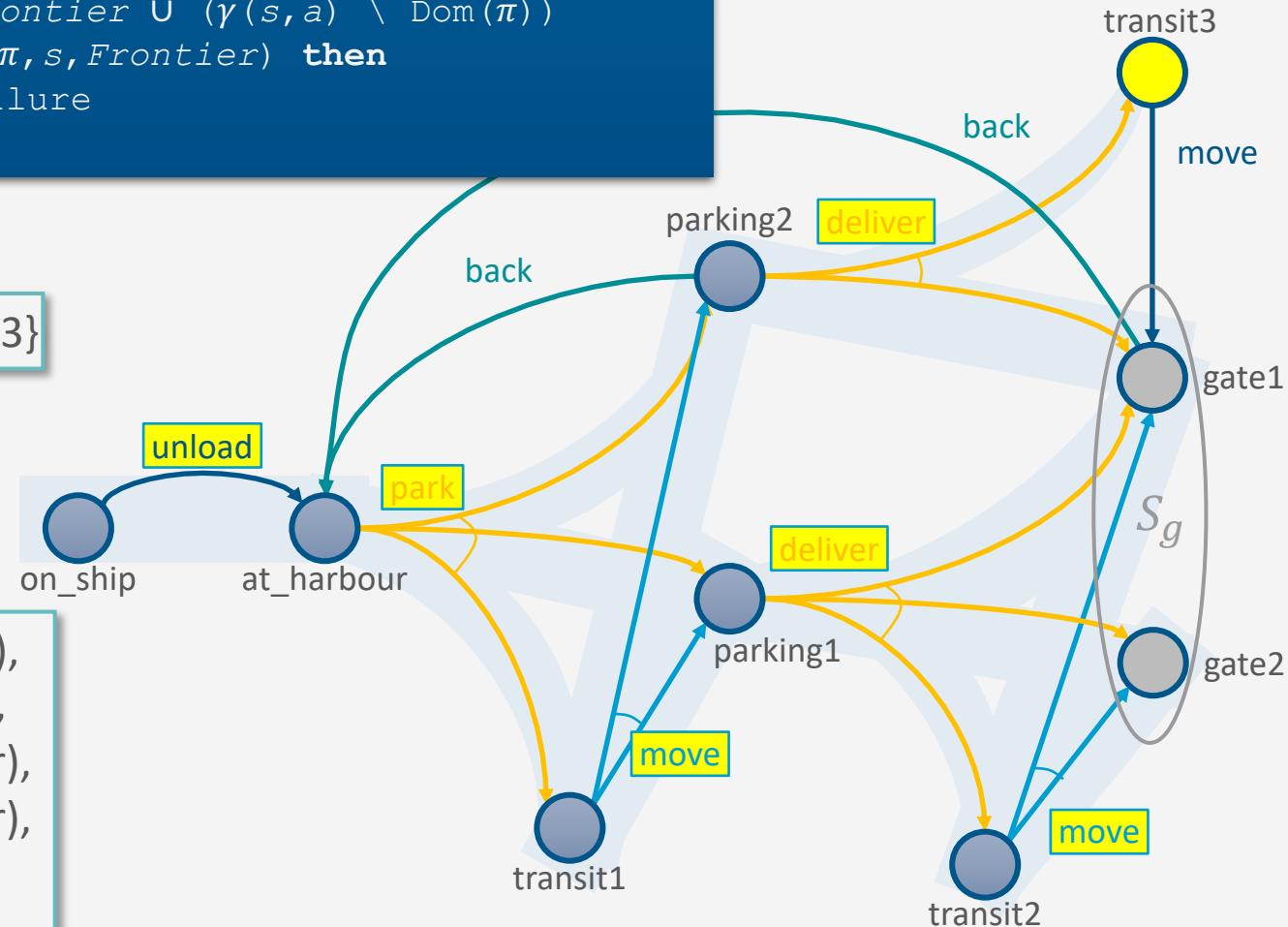
...
for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
...
nondeterministically choose  $a \in Applicable(s)$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = transit2$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{transit3\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver),$   
 $(parking2, deliver),$   
 $(transit1, move),$   
 $(transit2, move)\}$

## Example



**Find-Acyclic-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
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nondeterministically choose  $a \in Applicable(s)$ 
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return  $\pi$ 
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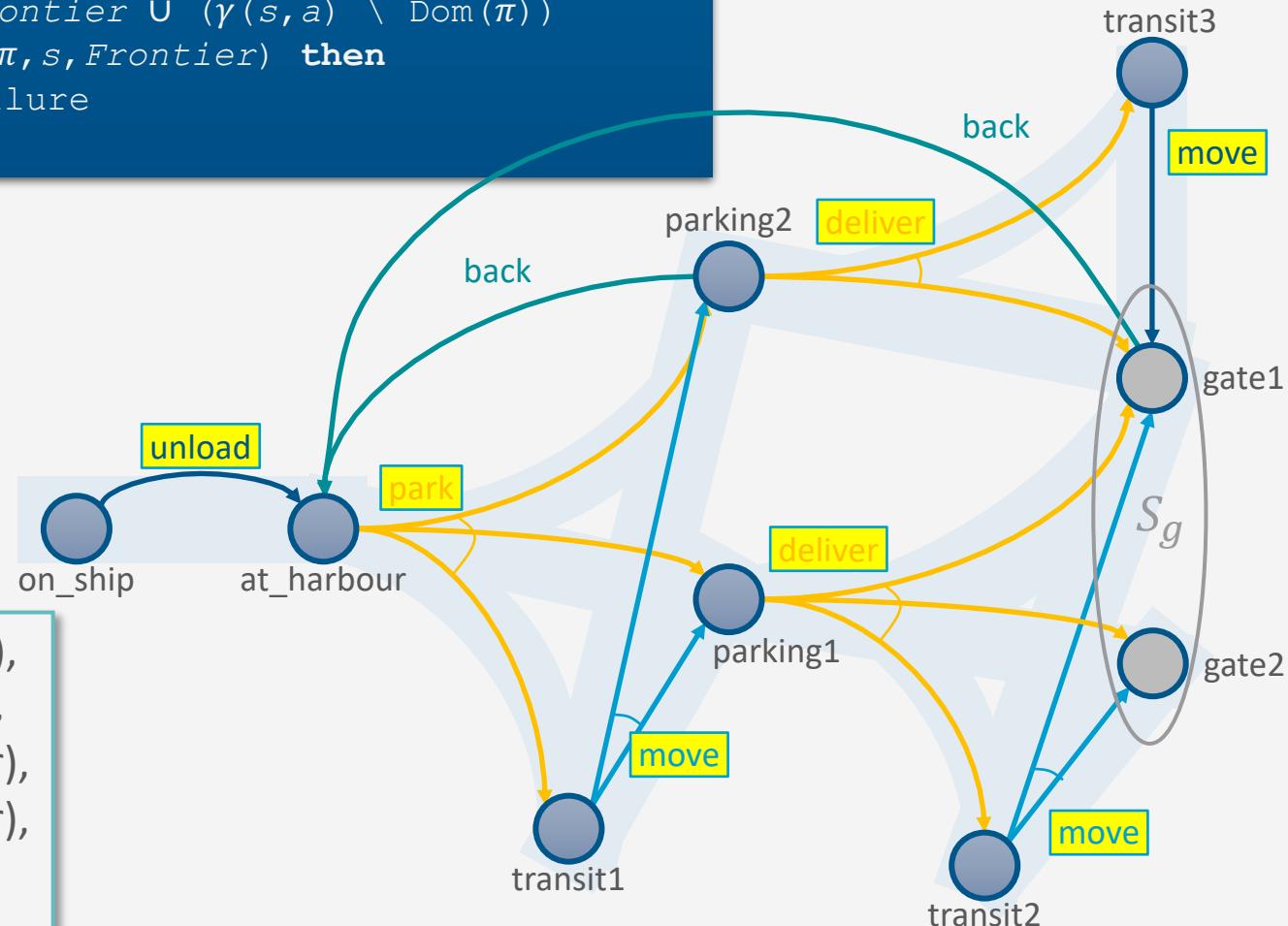
$s = transit3$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \emptyset$

Found a solution,  
so return  $\pi$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver),$   
 $(parking2, deliver),$   
 $(transit1, move),$   
 $(transit2, move),$   
 $(transit3, move)\}$

## Example



# Finding Safe Solutions

```

Find-Safe-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
     $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
     $Frontier \leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
    for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
         $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
        if Applicable( $s$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
            return failure
        nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$ 
         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
         $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
        if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then ←
            return failure
    return  $\pi$ 

```

Different cycle-checking

- Same as Find-Acyclic-Solution except for cycle-checking
- has-unsafe-loops instead of has-loops
- Check if  $\pi$  contains any cycles that cannot be escaped:
  - For each  $s' \in (\gamma(s, a) \cap \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
    - Is  $\hat{\gamma}(s', \pi) \cap Frontier = \emptyset$ ?
  - Formally,  $\text{has-unsafe-loops}(\pi, s, Frontier)$  iff
 
$$\exists s' \in (\gamma(s, a) \cap \text{Dom}(\pi)) : \hat{\gamma}(s', \pi) \cap Frontier = \emptyset$$

**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

$\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$

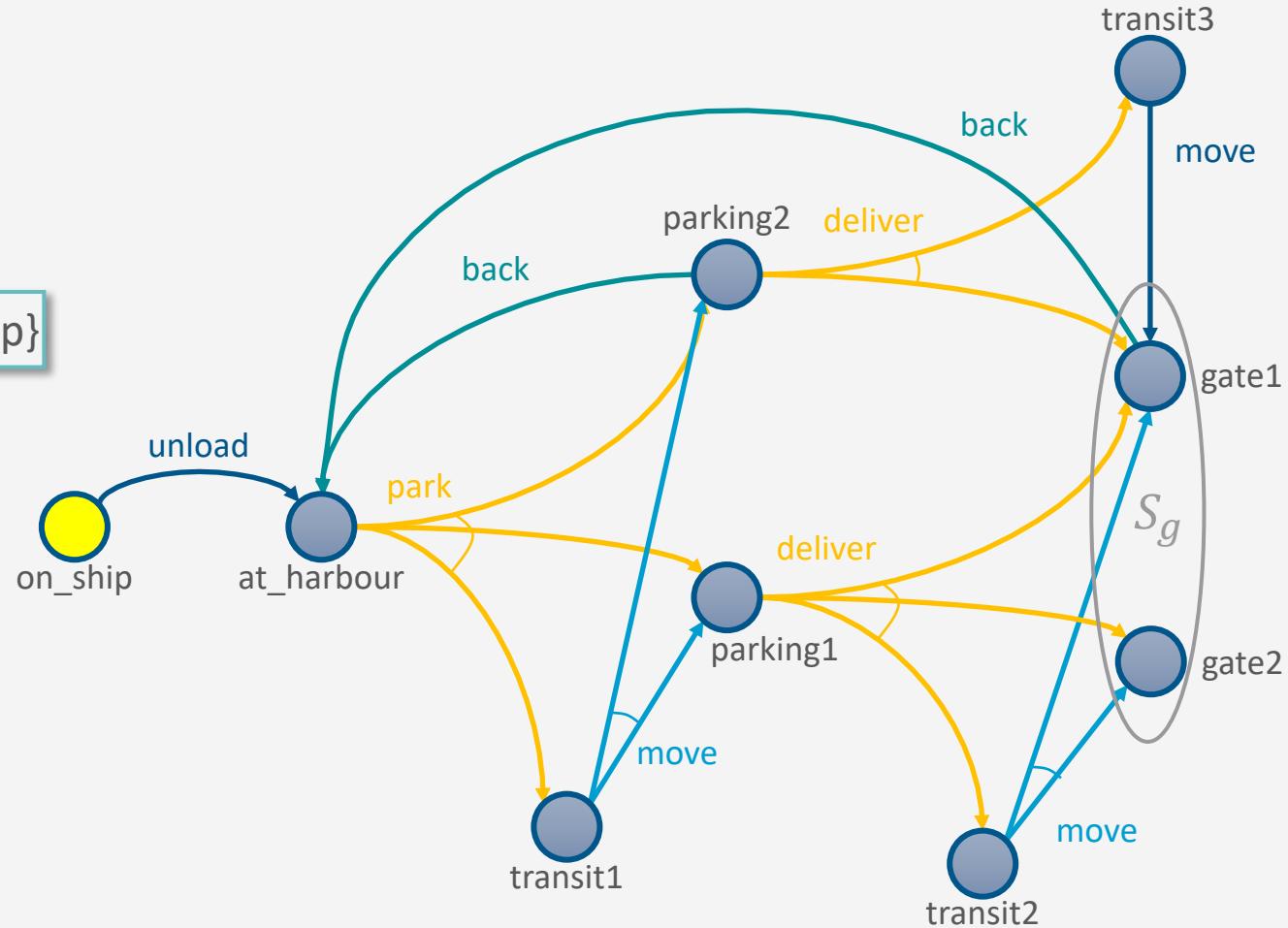
$Frontier \leftarrow \{s_0\}$

...

## Example

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{on\_ship\}$

$\pi = \{\}$



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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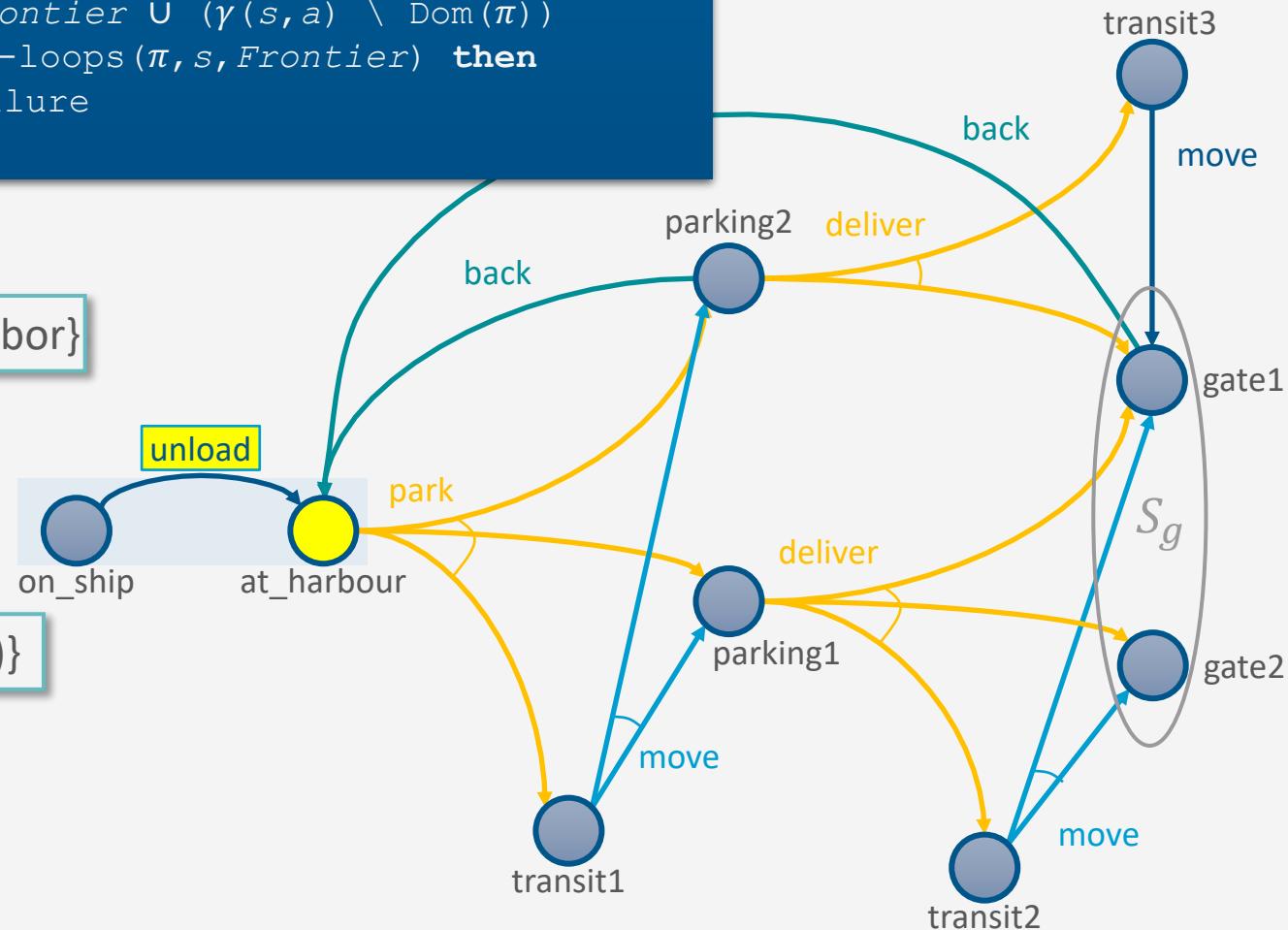
...
for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
...
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 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{on\_ship}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{at\_harbor}\}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload})\}$

## Example



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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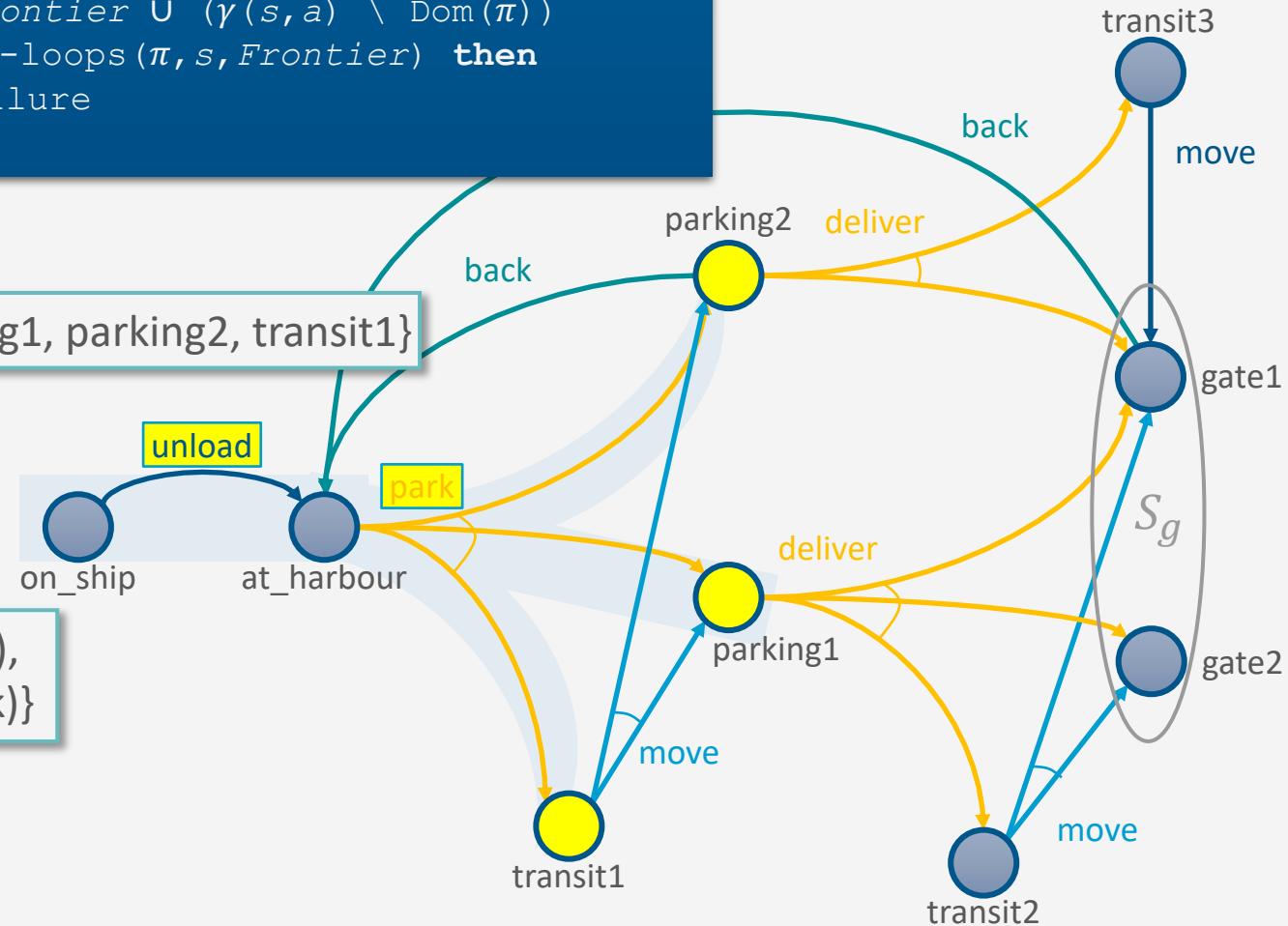
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if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{at\_harbor}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{parking1}, \text{parking2}, \text{transit1}\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park)\}$

## Example



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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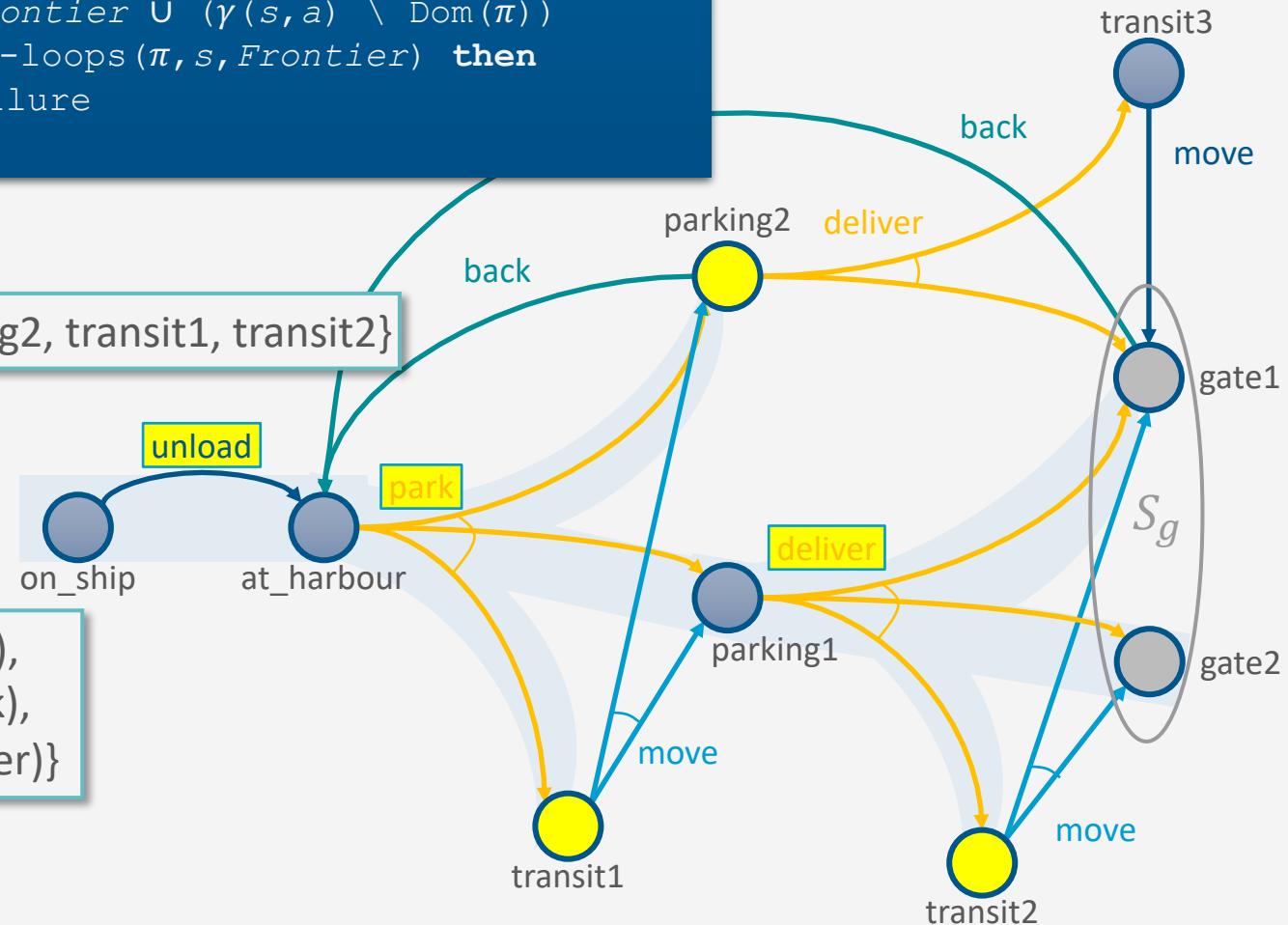
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 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = parking1$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{parking2, transit1, transit2\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver)\}$

## Example



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

```

...
for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
...
nondeterministically choose  $a \in Appl$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
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if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
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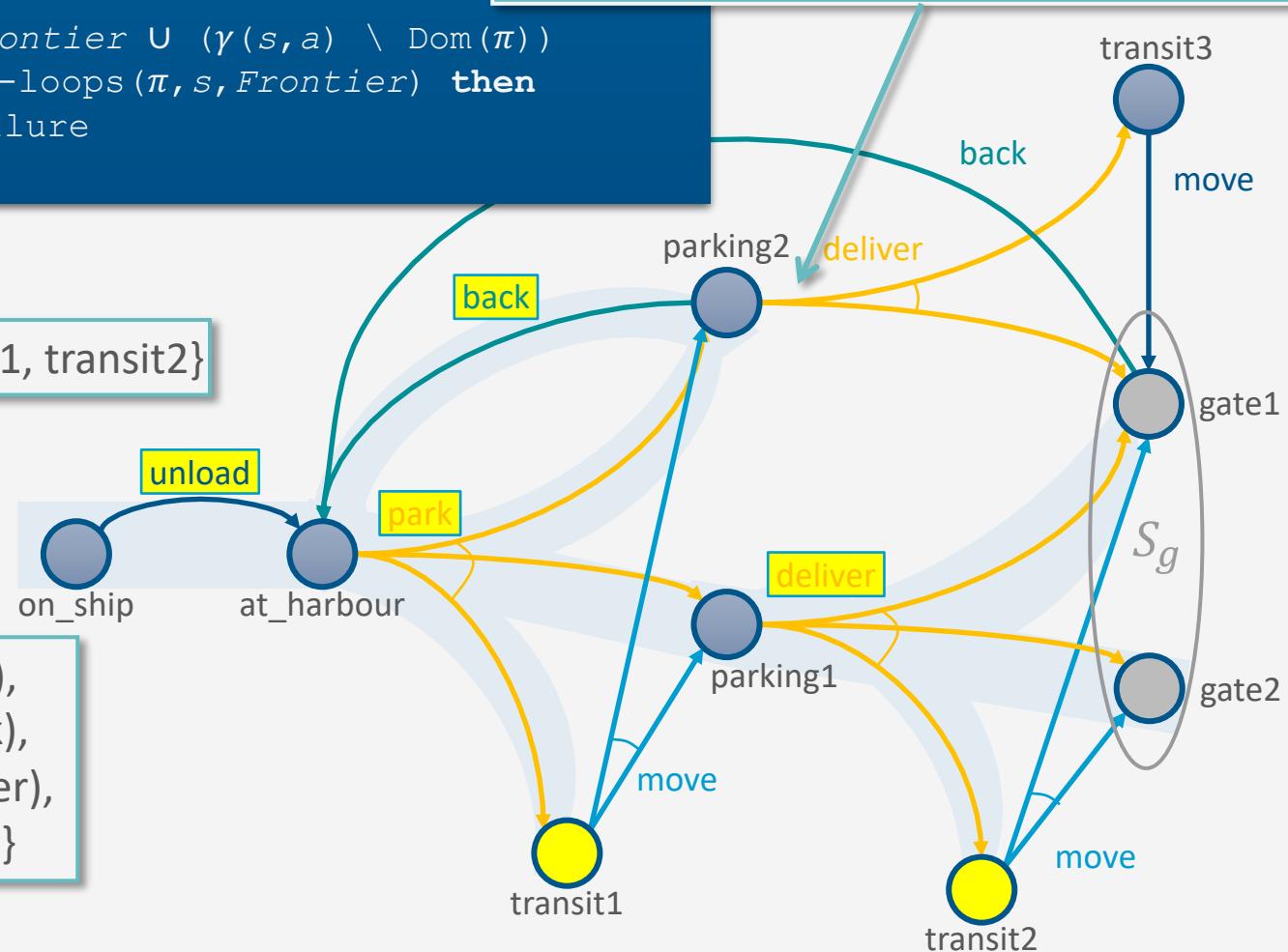
$s = \text{parking2}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{transit1}, \text{transit2}\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
 $(parking1, deliver),$   
 $(parking2, back)\}$

## Example

nondeterministically choose *back* or *deliver*  
• *back* is okay: escapable cycle



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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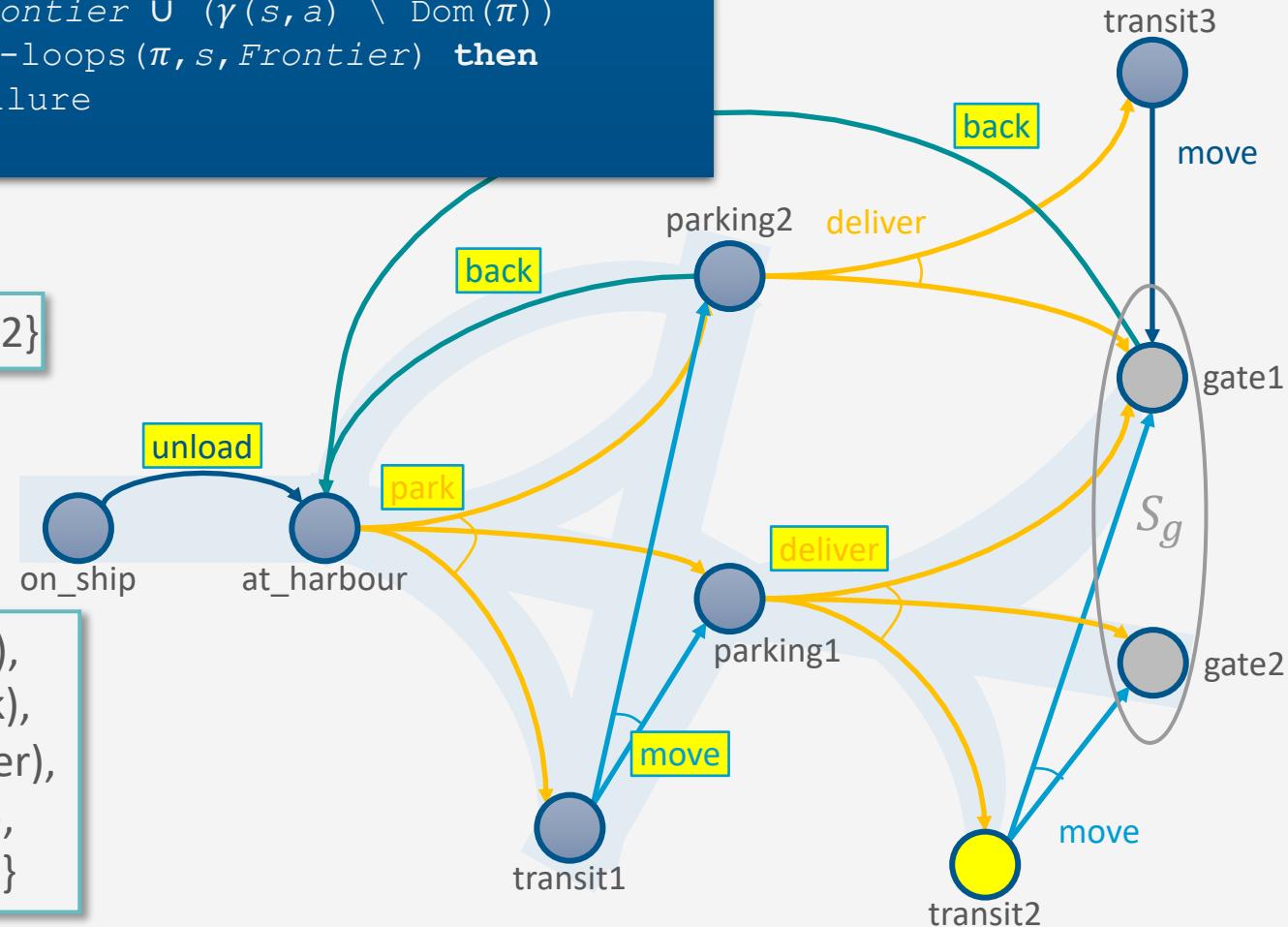
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if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
    return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = transit1$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{transit2\}$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
 $(at\_harbor, park),$   
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## Example



**Find-Safe-Solution**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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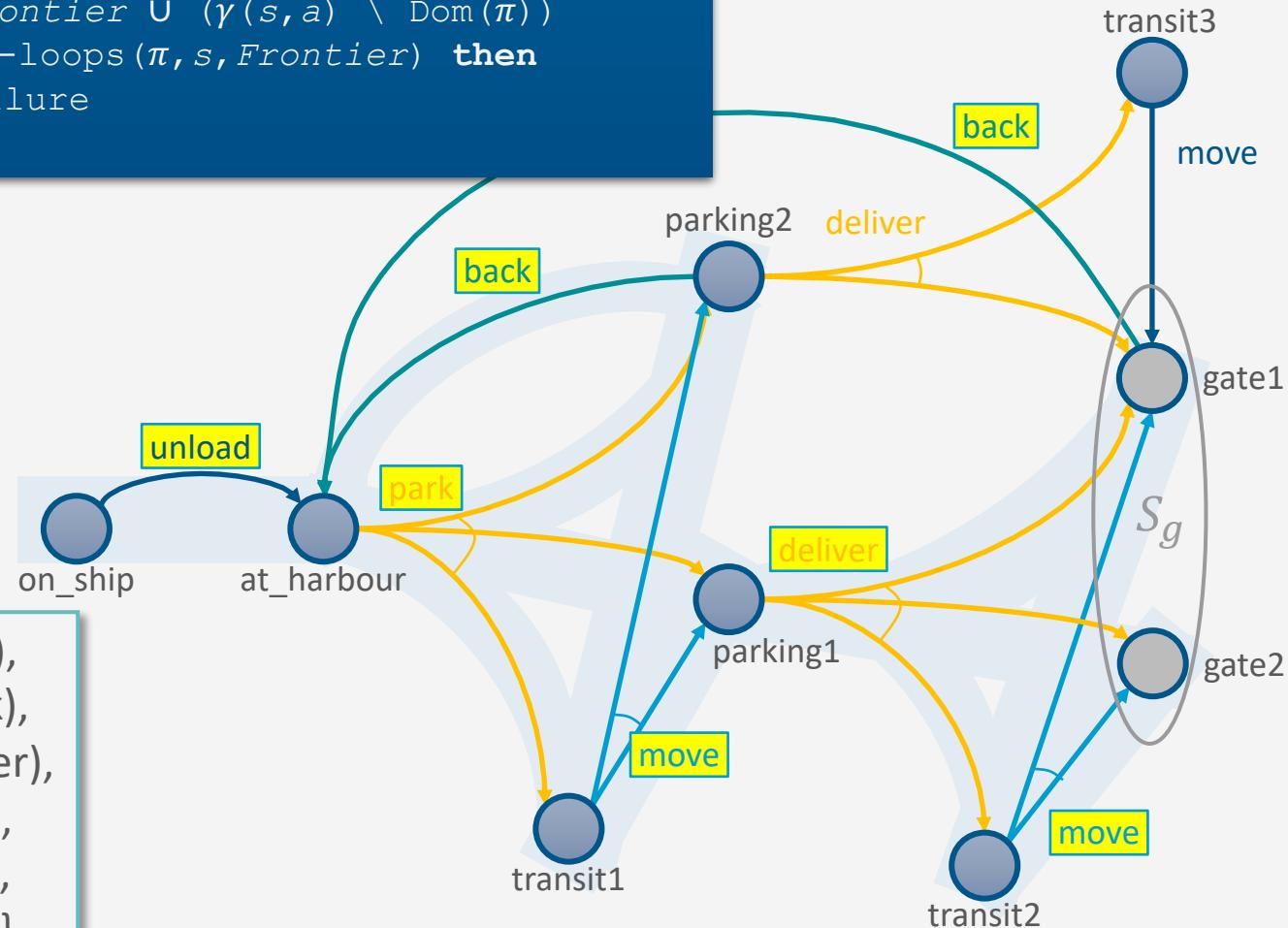
$s = transit2$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \emptyset$

Found a solution,  
so return  $\pi$

$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
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 $(transit1, move),$   
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## Example



## Intermediate Summary

- And/Or Graph Search
  - Analogue to forward search in deterministic models
  - Algorithms for each type of solution
    - Unsafe
    - Cyclic safe
    - Acyclic safe

# Outline per the Book

## 5.2 Planning Problem

- Planning domains
- Plans as policies
- Planning problems and solutions

## 5.3 And/Or Graph Search

- Planning by forward search

## 5.5 Determinisation Techniques

- Guided planning for safe solutions
- Planning for safe solutions by determinisation

## 5.6 Online Approaches

- Lookahead
- Lookahead by determinisation
- Lookahead with a bounded number of steps

# Guided-Find-Safe-Solution

- Motivation:
  - Much easier to find solutions if they don't have to be safe
  - Find-Safe-Solution needs plans for all possible outcomes of actions
  - Find-Solution only needs a plan for one of them
- Idea:
  - loop
    - Find a solution  $\pi$
    - Look at each leaf node of  $\pi$ 
      - If the leaf node is not a goal, find a solution and incorporate it into  $\pi$

# Guided-Find-Safe-Solution

```
Guided-Find-Safe-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
```

```

if  $s_0 \in S_g$  then
    return  $\emptyset$ 
if Applicable( $s_0$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
    return failure
 $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
loop
     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_g$ 
    if  $Q = \emptyset$  then
         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \setminus \{(s, a) \in \pi \mid s \notin \hat{\gamma}(s_0, \pi)\}$ 
        return  $\pi$ 
    arbitrarily select  $s \in Q$ 
     $\pi' \leftarrow \text{Find-Solution}(\Sigma, s, S_g)$ 
    if  $\pi' \neq \text{failure}$  then
         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup \{(s, a) \in \pi' \mid s \notin \text{Dom}(\pi)\}$ 
    else if  $s = s_0$  then
        return failure  $\Leftarrow$  not in the book
    else
        for every  $s', a$  s.t.  $s \in \gamma(s', a)$  do
             $\pi \leftarrow \pi \setminus \{(s', a)\}$ 
            make  $a$  not applicable in  $s'$ 

```

$\pi$  is a solution. Return the part that is reachable from  $s_0$ .

Choose any leaf  $s$  that is not a goal. Find a solution  $\pi'$  for  $s$ .

For each  $(s, a)$  in  $\pi'$ , add to  $\pi$  unless  $\pi$  already has an action at  $s$ .

$s$  is unsolvable. For each  $(s', a)$  that can produce  $s$ , modify  $\pi$  and  $\Sigma$  so we will never use  $a$  at  $s'$

## Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

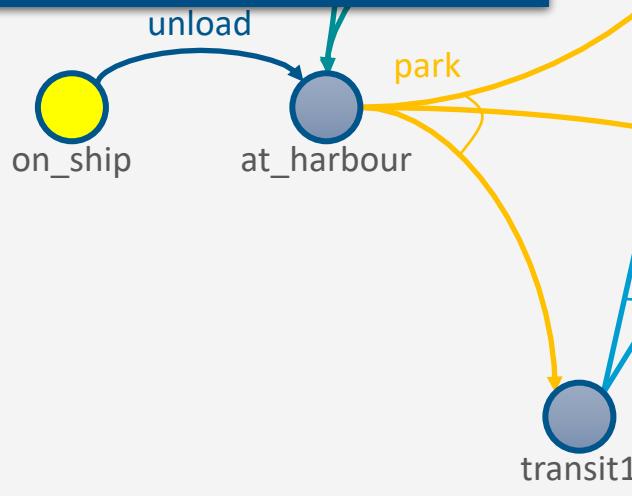
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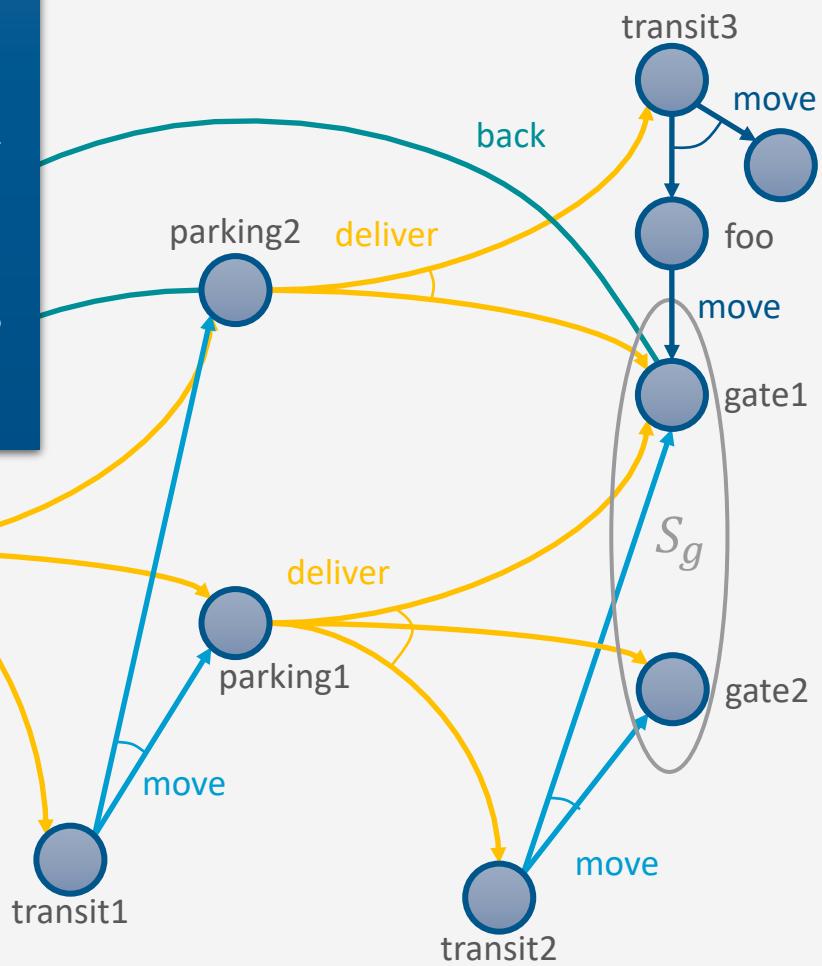
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$s_0 = \text{on\_ship}$

$\pi = \{\}$



## Example



### Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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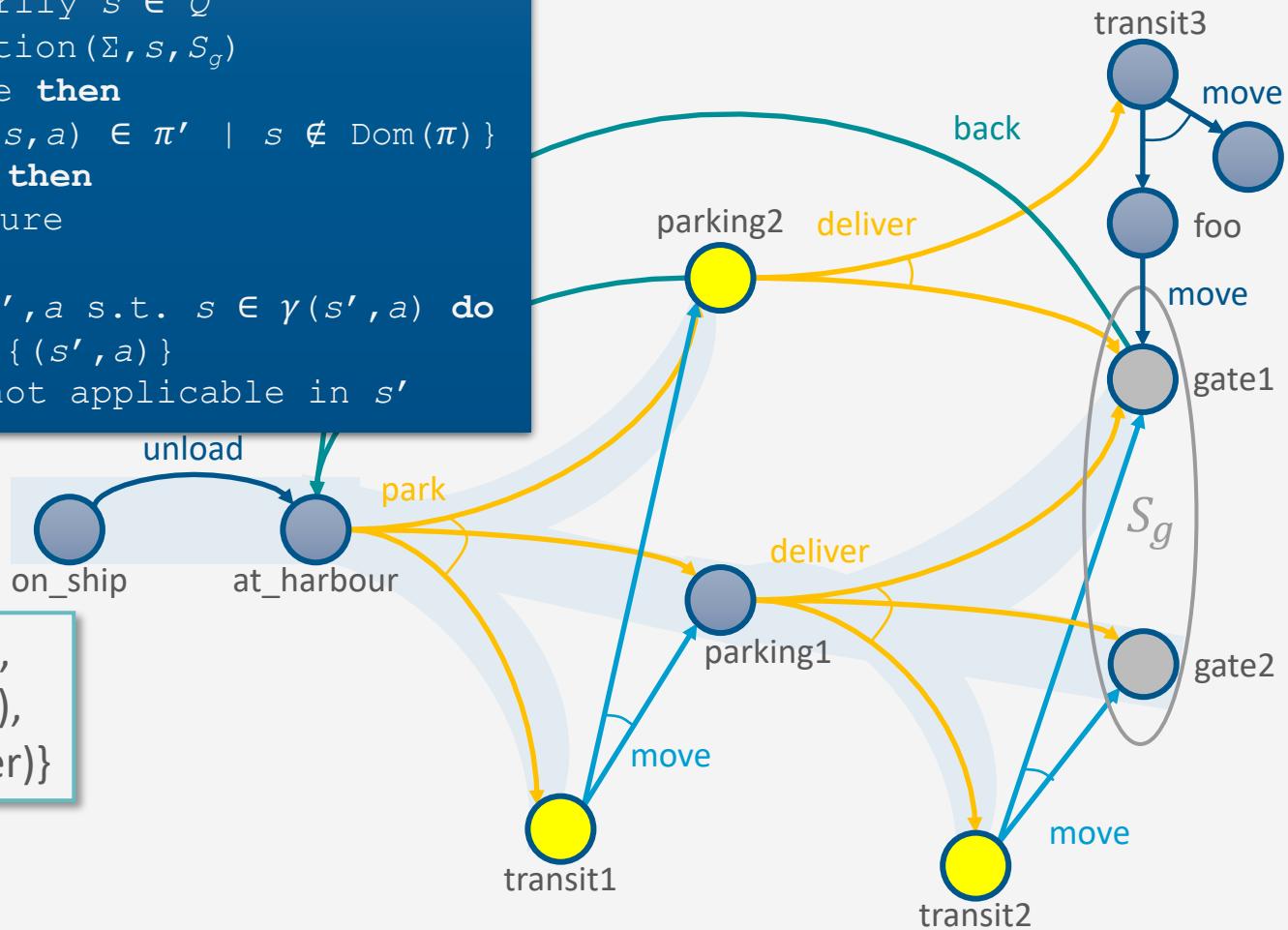
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$$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),\\ (at\_harbor, park),\\ (parking1, deliver)\}$$

# Example



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

...

**loop**

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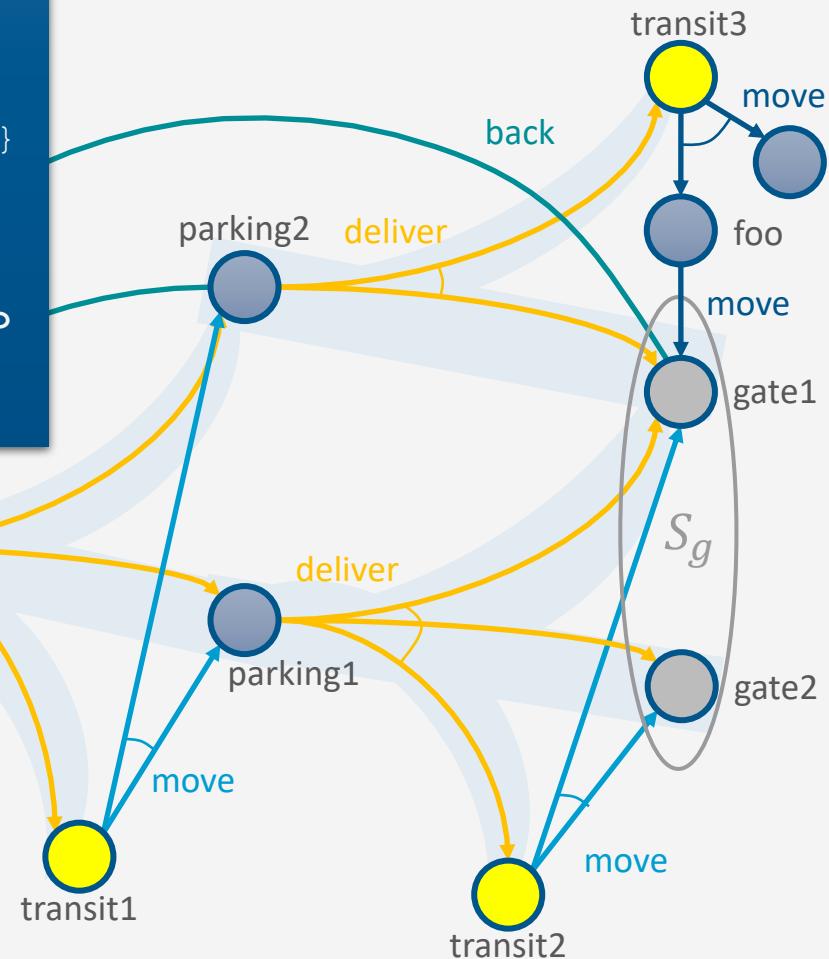
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$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, deliver)\}$

## Example



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

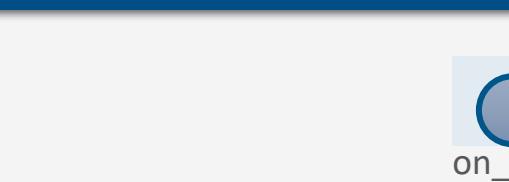
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**loop**

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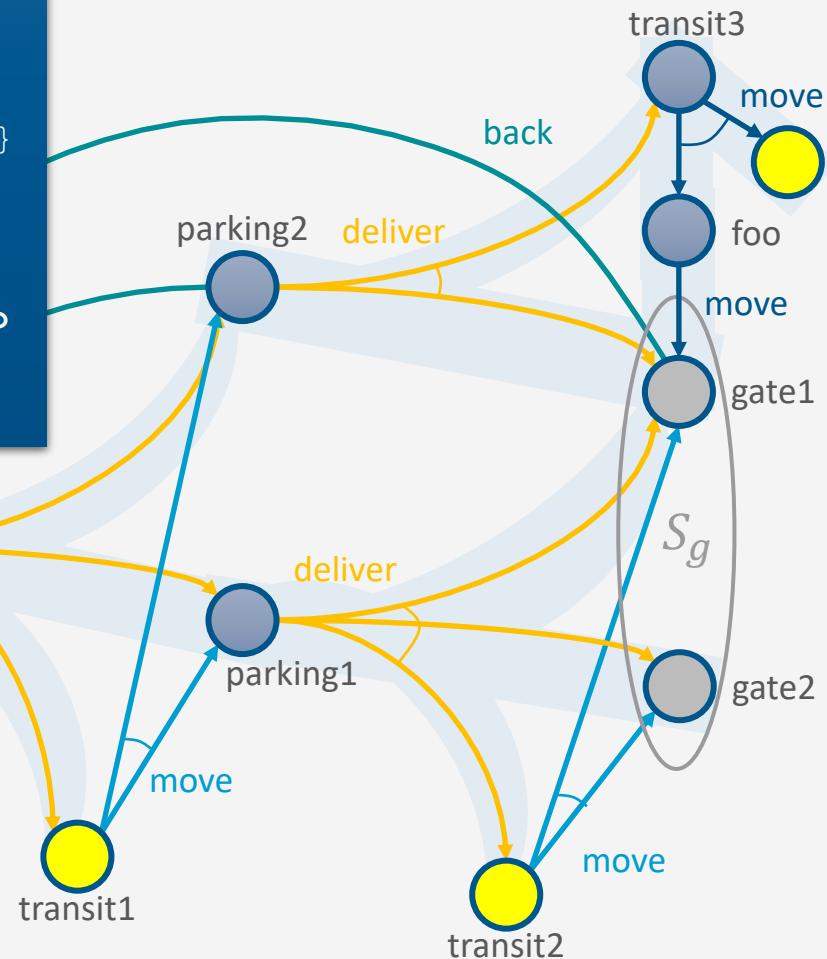
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```



$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, deliver), (transit3, move), (foo, move)\}$

## Example



## Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

```

...  

loop  

     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_\sigma$   

    if  $Q = \emptyset$  then  

         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \setminus \{(s, a) \in \pi \mid s \notin \hat{\gamma}(s_0, \pi)\}$   

        return  $\pi$   

    select arbitrarily  $s \in Q$   

     $\pi' \leftarrow \text{Find-Solution}(\Sigma, s, S_\sigma)$   

    if  $\pi' \neq \text{failure}$  then  

         $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup \{(s, a) \in \pi' \mid s \notin \text{Dom}(\pi)\}$   

    else if  $s = s_0$  then  

        return failure  

    else  

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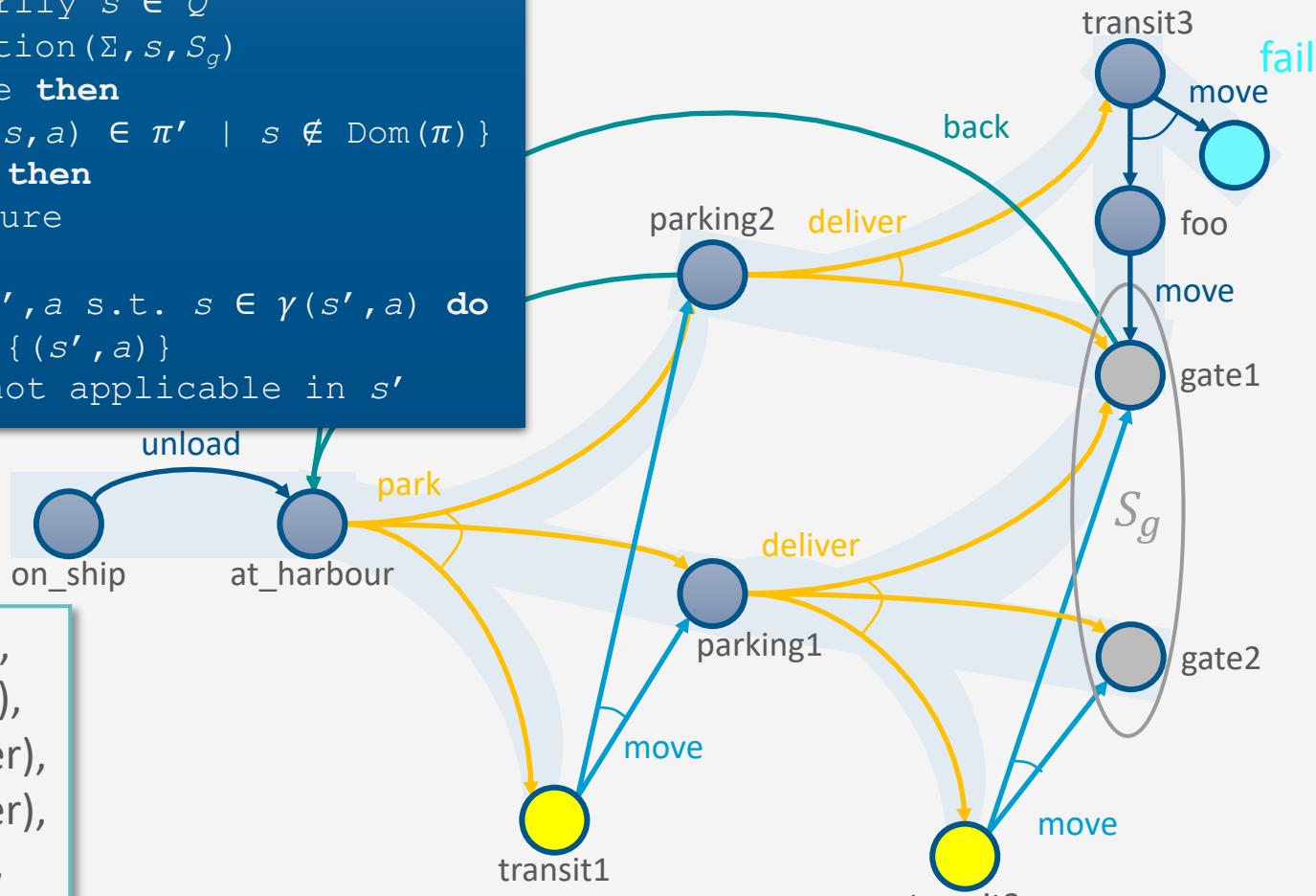
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 $\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload),$   
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```

# Example

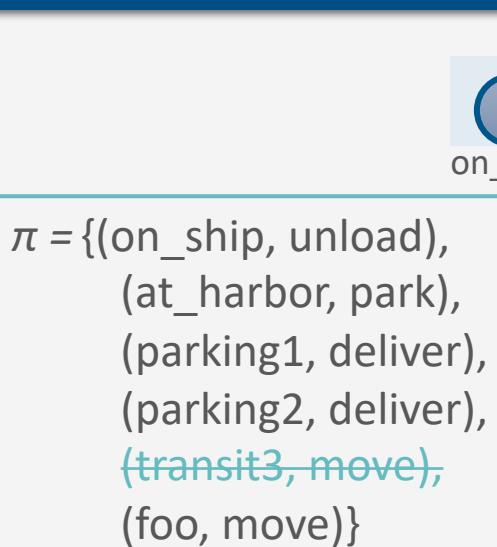


## Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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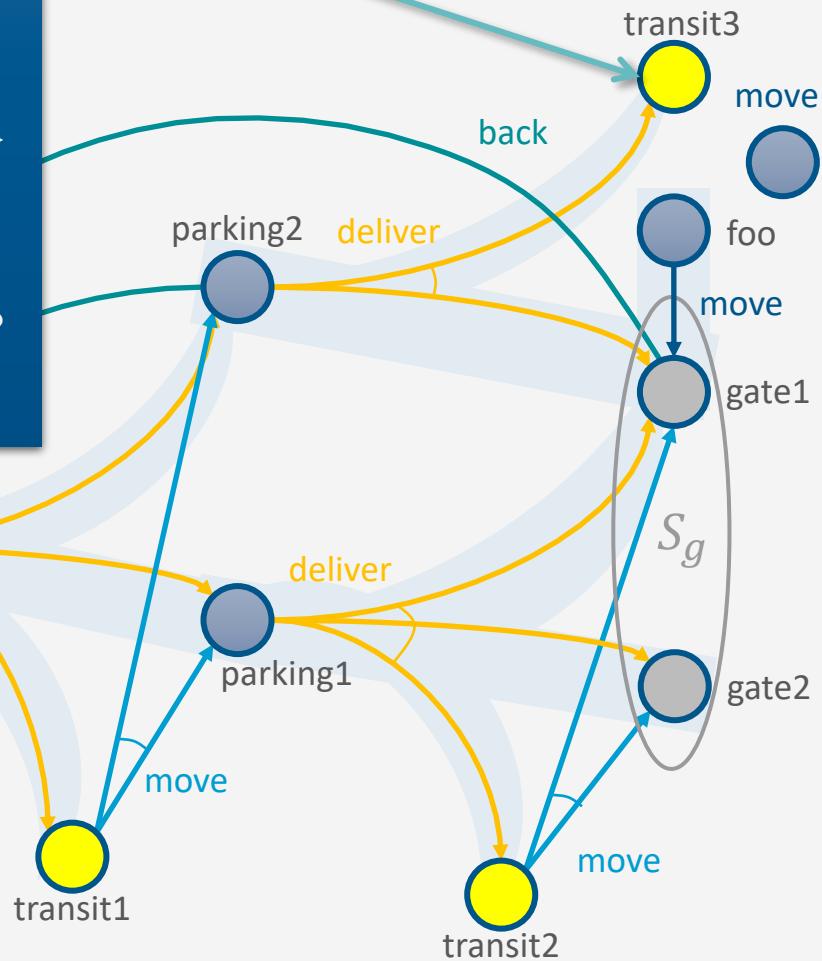
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        return  $\pi$ 
    select arbitrarily  $s \in Q$ 
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## Example

Modify  $\Sigma$  to make  
move inapplicable



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

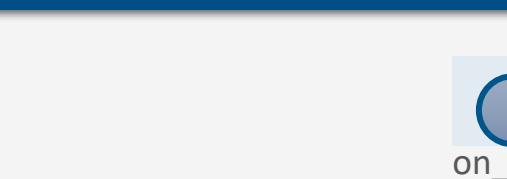
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**loop**

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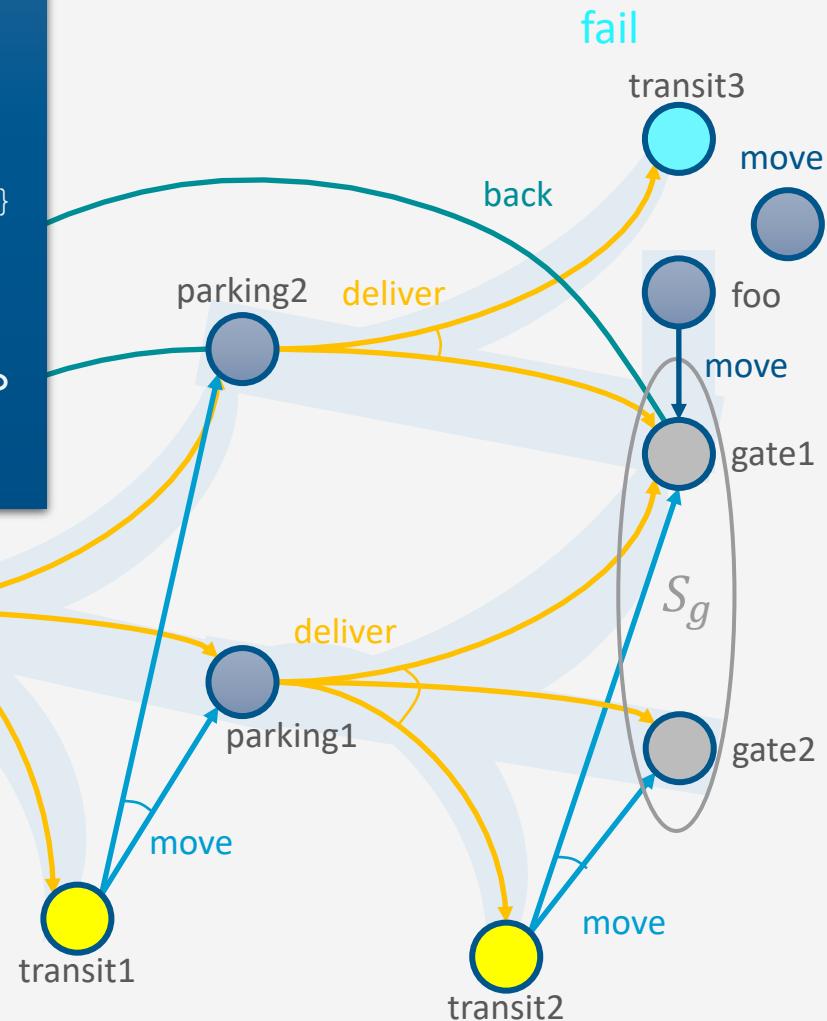
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$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, deliver), (foo, move)\}$

## Example



## Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

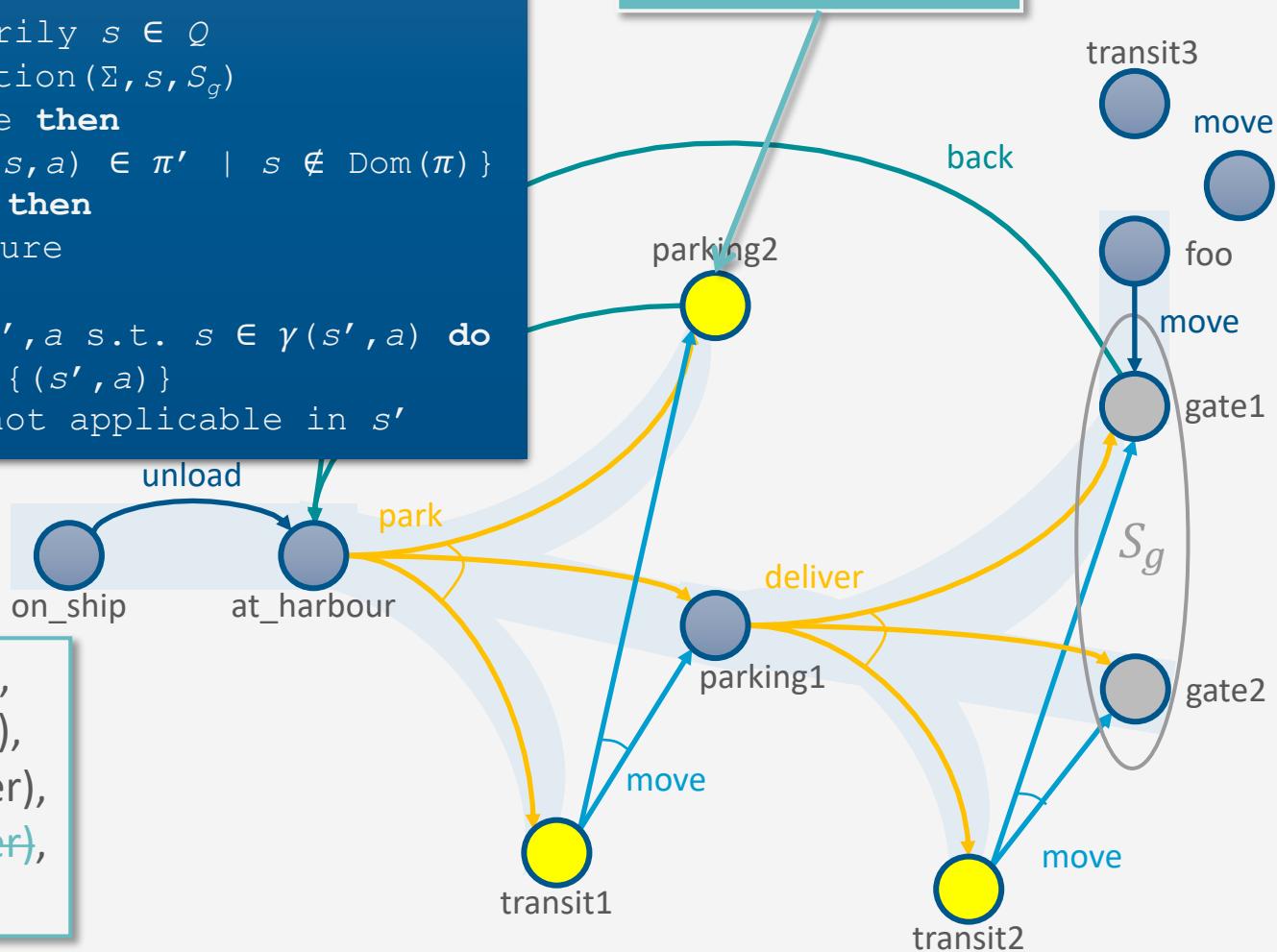
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$\pi = \{(on\_ship, unload), (at\_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (\cancel{parking2, deliver}), (foo, move)\}$

## Example



### Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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    return  $\pi$   

  select arbitrarily  $s \in Q$   

   $\pi' \leftarrow \text{Find-Solution}(\Sigma, s, S_g)$   

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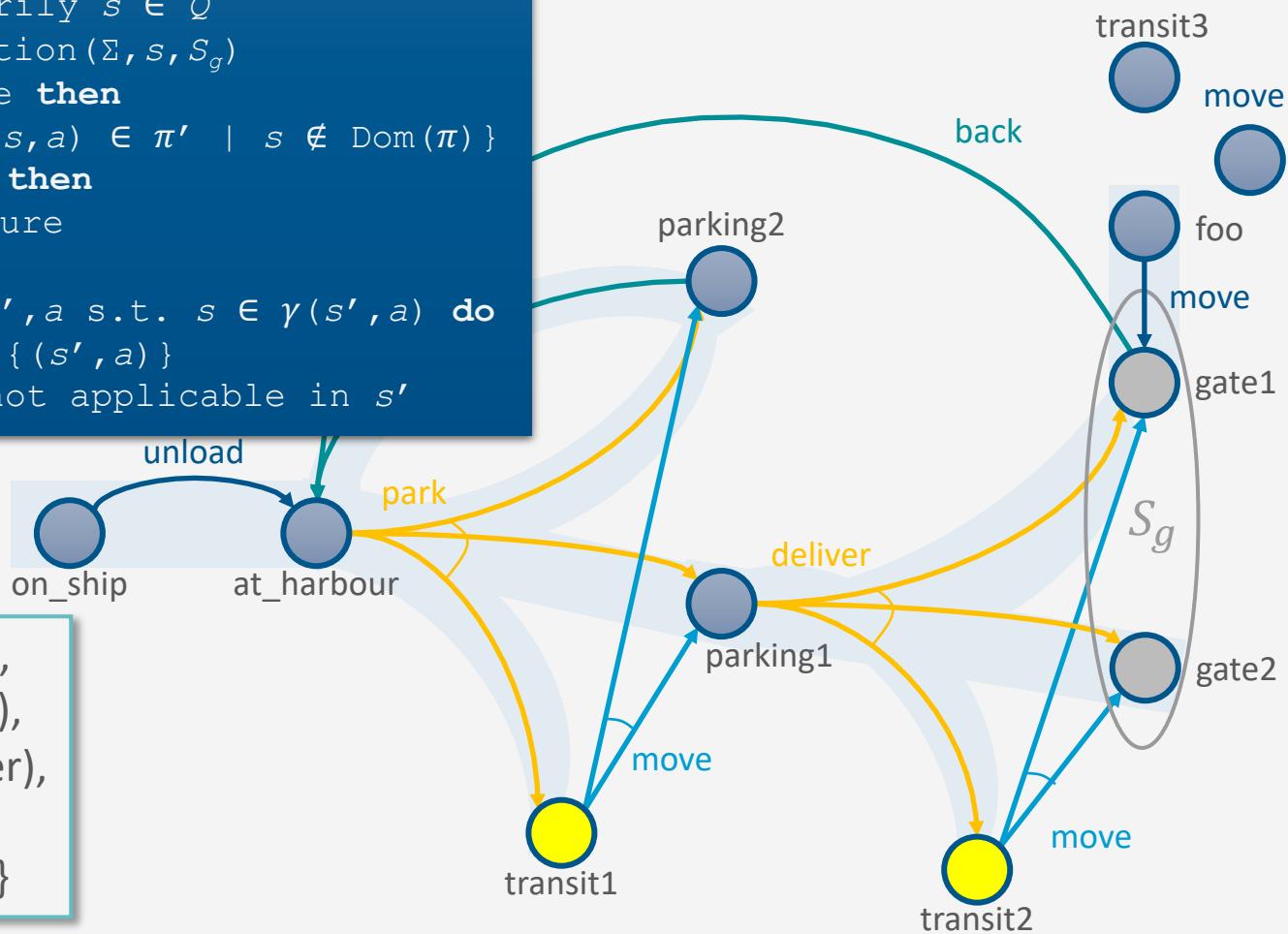
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# Example



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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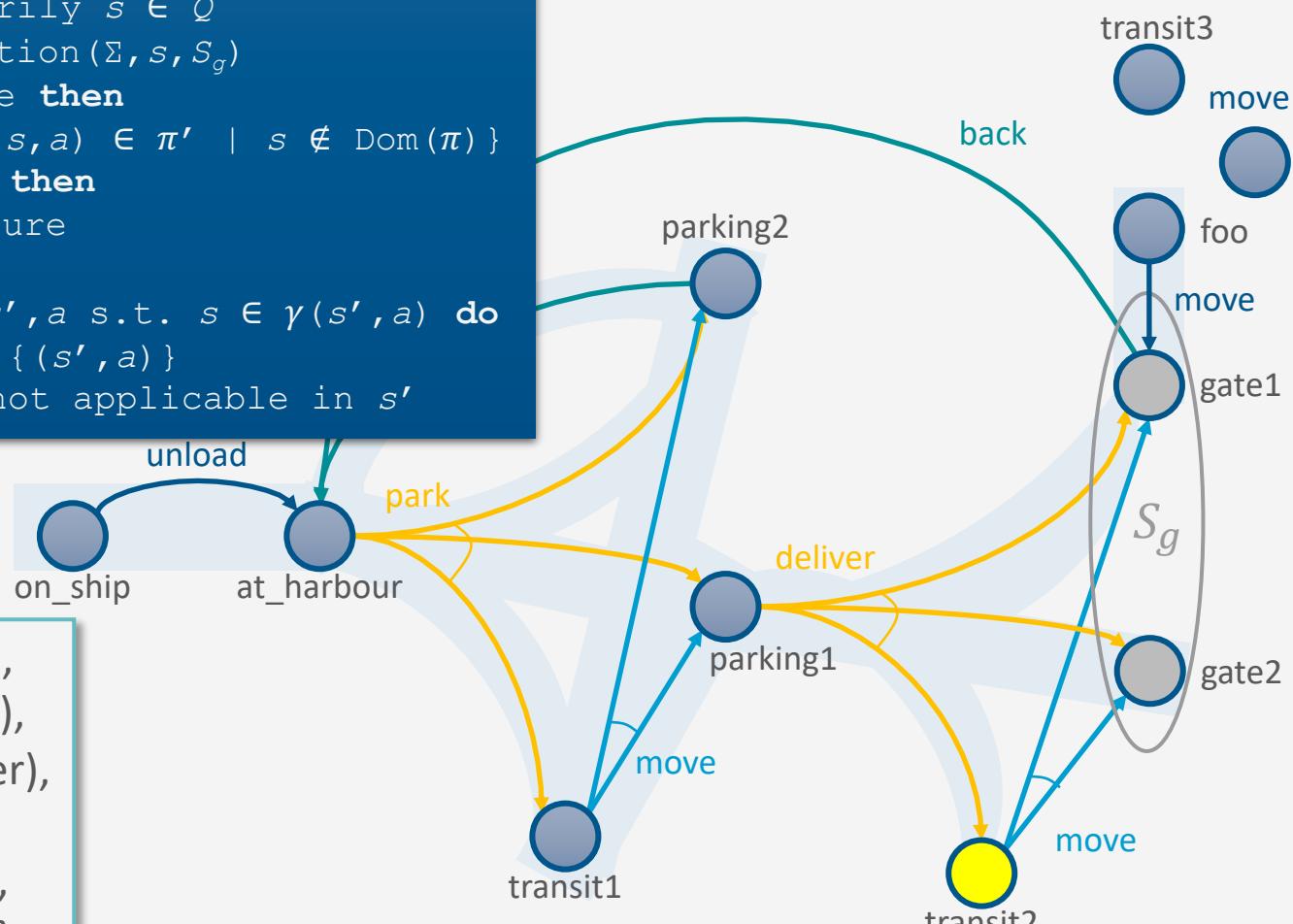
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## Example



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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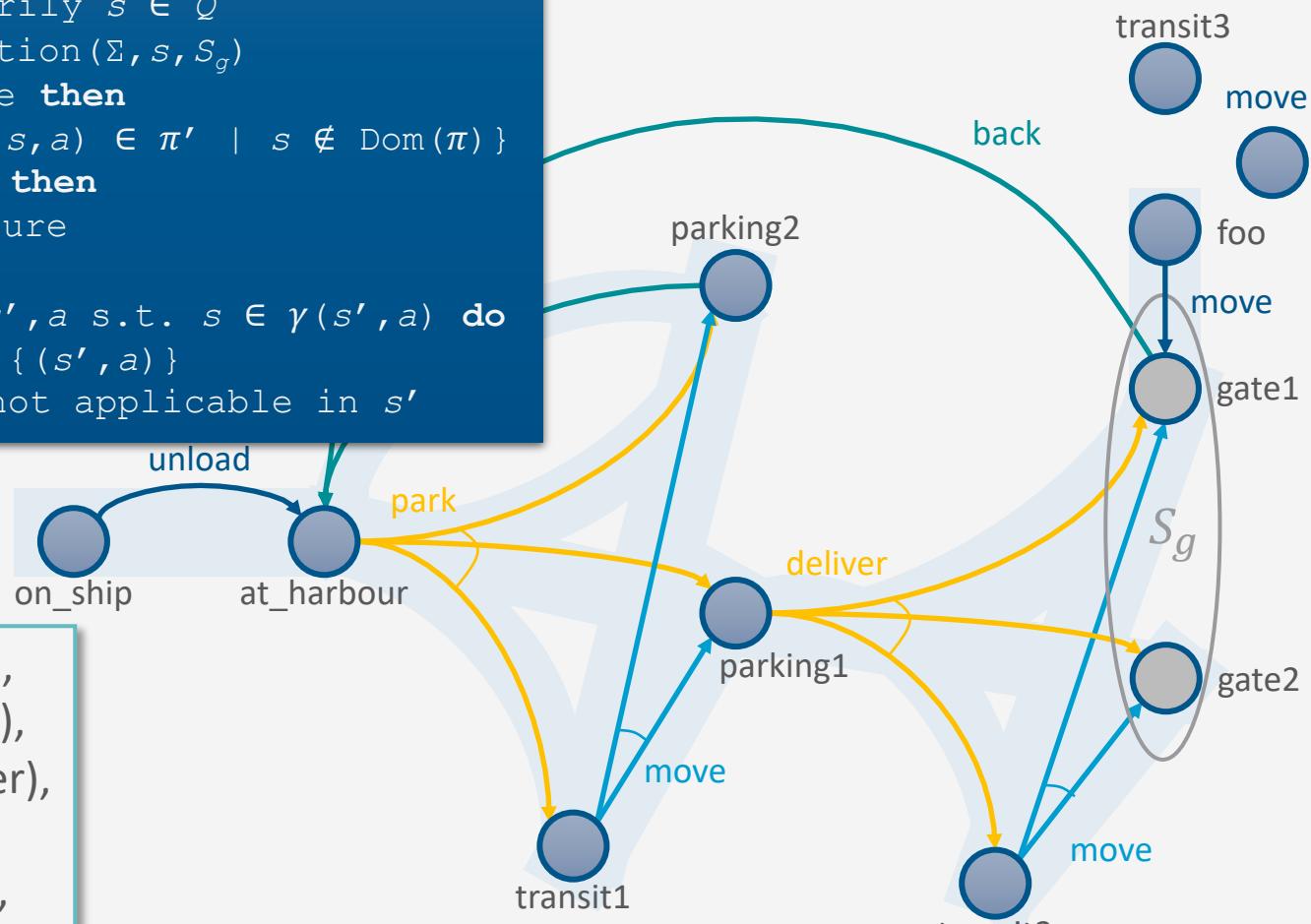
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## Example



## Guided-Find-Safe-Solution ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

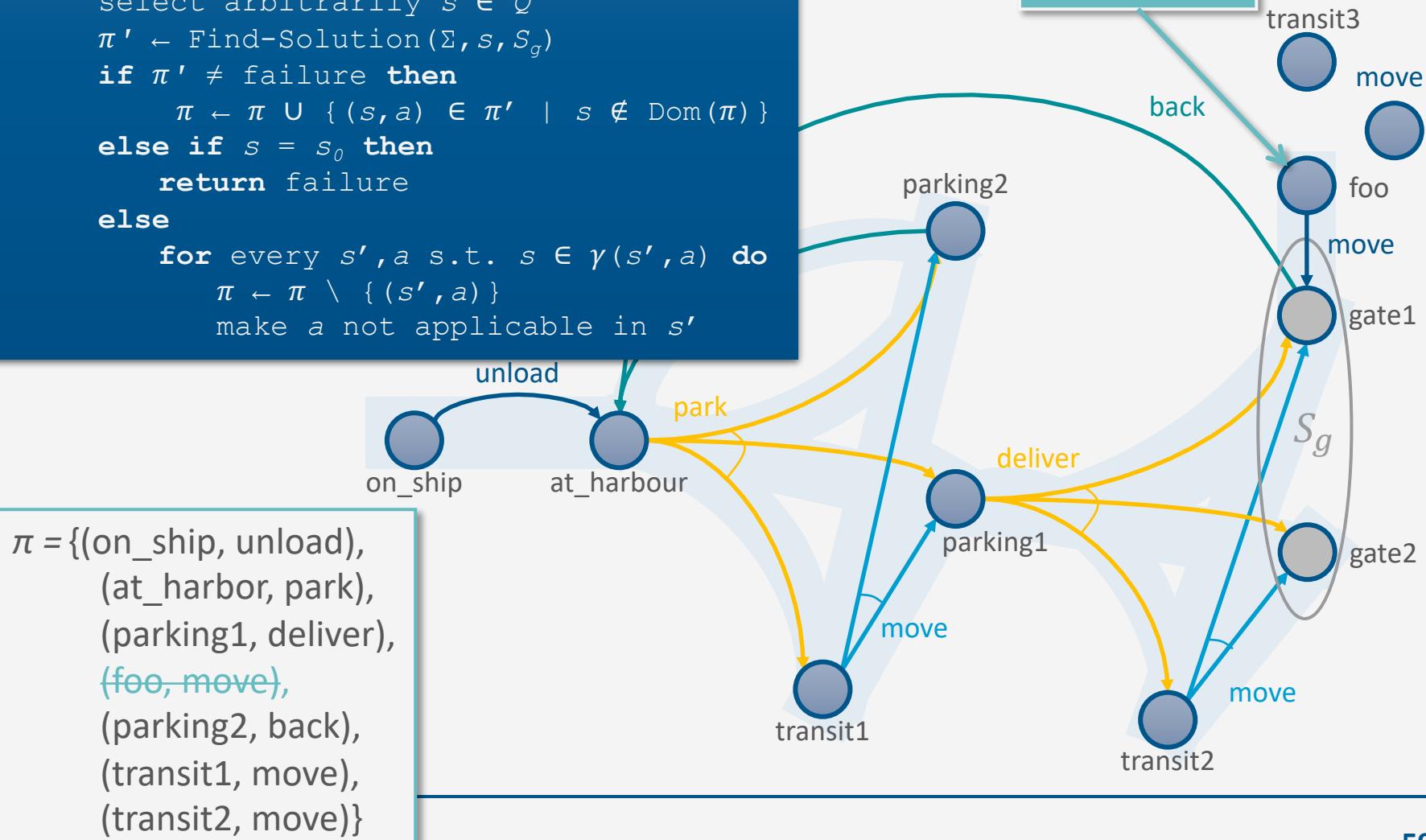
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## Example

Remove  
unreachable  
part of  $\pi$



# Determinisation

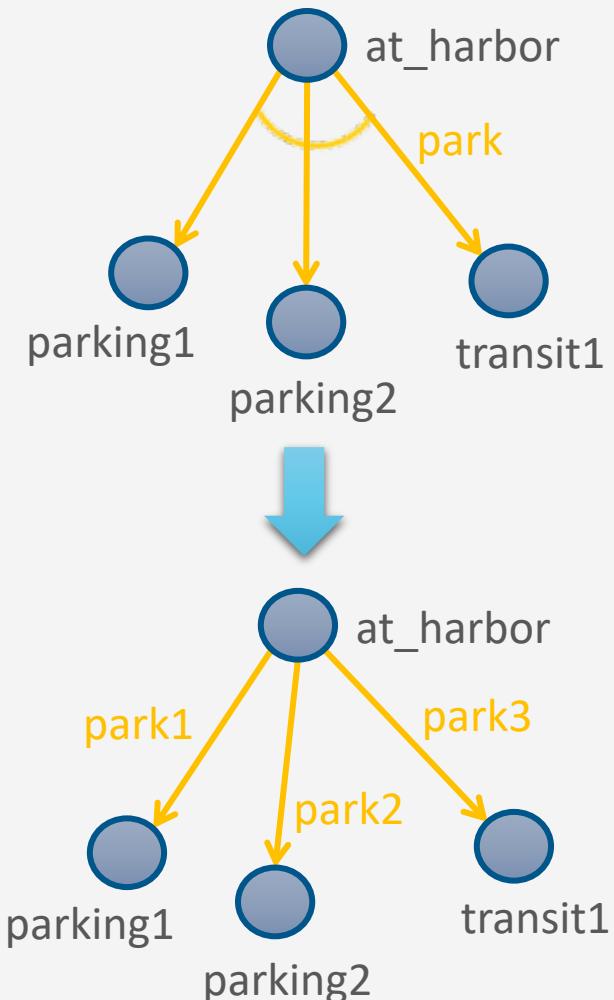
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Guided-Find-Safe-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
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    return  $\emptyset$ 
  if Applicable( $s_0$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
    return failure
   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
  loop
     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_g$ 
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```

- How to implement it?
  - Need implementation of Find-Solution
  - Need it to be very efficient
    - Called many times
- Idea: instead, use a classical planner
  - Any algorithm from Ch. 2
  - Efficient algorithms, search heuristics
- For that, determinise actions

# Determinisation

- Convert the nondeterministic actions into something the classical planner can use
- Determinise**
  - Suppose  $a_i$  has  $K$  possible outcomes
  - $K$  deterministic actions  $a_i^k, k \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ , one for each outcome
  - Given nondeterministic domain  $\Sigma = (S, A, \gamma)$ , determinised domain  $\Sigma_d = (S, A_d, \gamma_d)$ 
    - $A_d = \bigcup_{a_i \in A, a_i \text{ deterministic}} \{a_i\} \cup \bigcup_{a_i \in A, a_i \text{ nondeterministic}} \bigcup_{k=1}^K \{a_i^k\}$
    - $\gamma_d$  defined as  $\gamma$  with determinised inputs  $s, a_i^k$  yielding a state with effects according to  $k$
- Classical planner returns a plan  $p = \langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \rangle$ 
  - If  $p$  is acyclic, can convert it to a policy



# Determinisation

- Nondeterministic planning problem  $P = (\Sigma, s_0, S_g)$
- Determinisation  $P_d = (\Sigma_d, s_0, S_g)$ 
  - As on previous slide
- Classical planner returns a solution for  $P_d$ 
  - A plan  $p = \langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \rangle$
- If  $p$  is acyclic, can convert it to an (unsafe) solution for  $P$ 
  - $\{(s_0, a_1), (s_1, a_2), \dots, (s_{n-1}, a_n)\}$
  - where
    - each  $a_i$  is the nondeterministic action whose determinisation includes  $a_i$ 
      - Function `det2nondet` returns exactly this
    - each  $s_i \in \gamma_d(s_{i-1}, a_i)$

```

Plan2policy ( $p=\langle a_1, \dots, a_n \rangle, s$ )
   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
  for  $i$  from 1 to  $n$  do
     $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup \{s, \text{det2nondet}(a_i)\}$ 
     $s \leftarrow \gamma_d(s, a_i)$ 
  return  $\pi$ 

```

### Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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            determinisation not
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## Determinisation

Same as Guided-Find-Safe-Solution.

Any classical planner that does not return cyclic plans.

Convert  $p'$  to a policy. Add each  $(s, a)$  to  $\pi$  unless  $\pi$  already has an action for  $s$ .

$s$  is unsolvable. For each  $(s', a)$  that can produce  $s$ , modify  $\pi$  and  $\Sigma_d$  such that we will never use  $a$  at  $s'$ .

## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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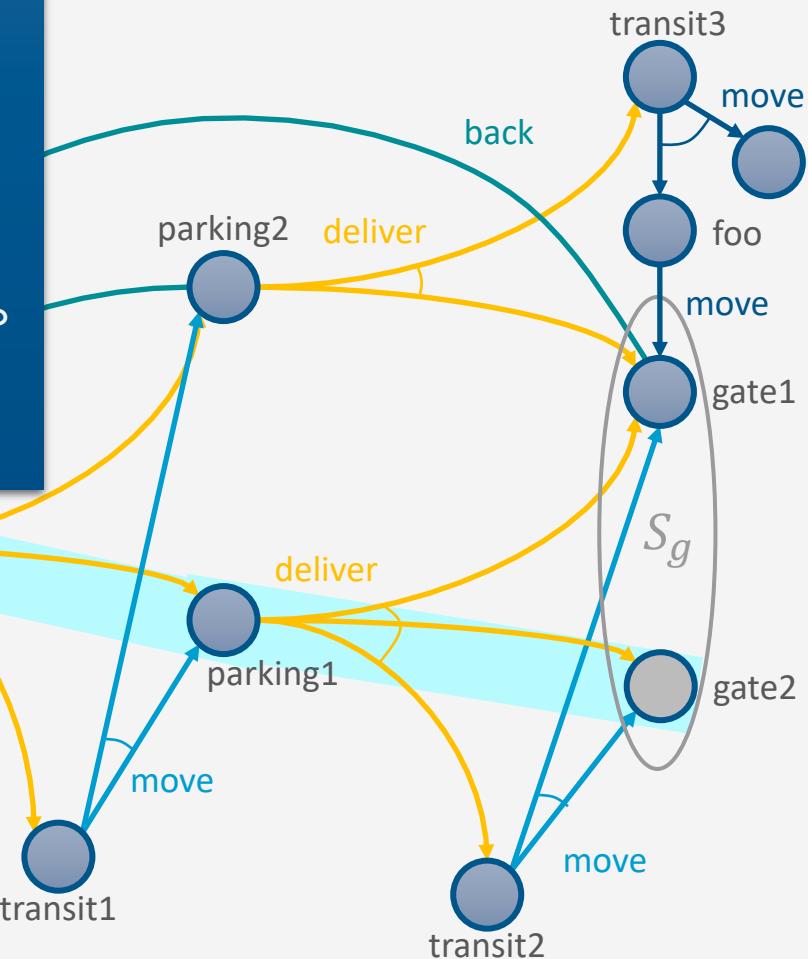
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```

$p' = \langle \text{unload}, \text{park}_2, \text{deliver}_2 \rangle$

$\pi = \{\}$

## Example



## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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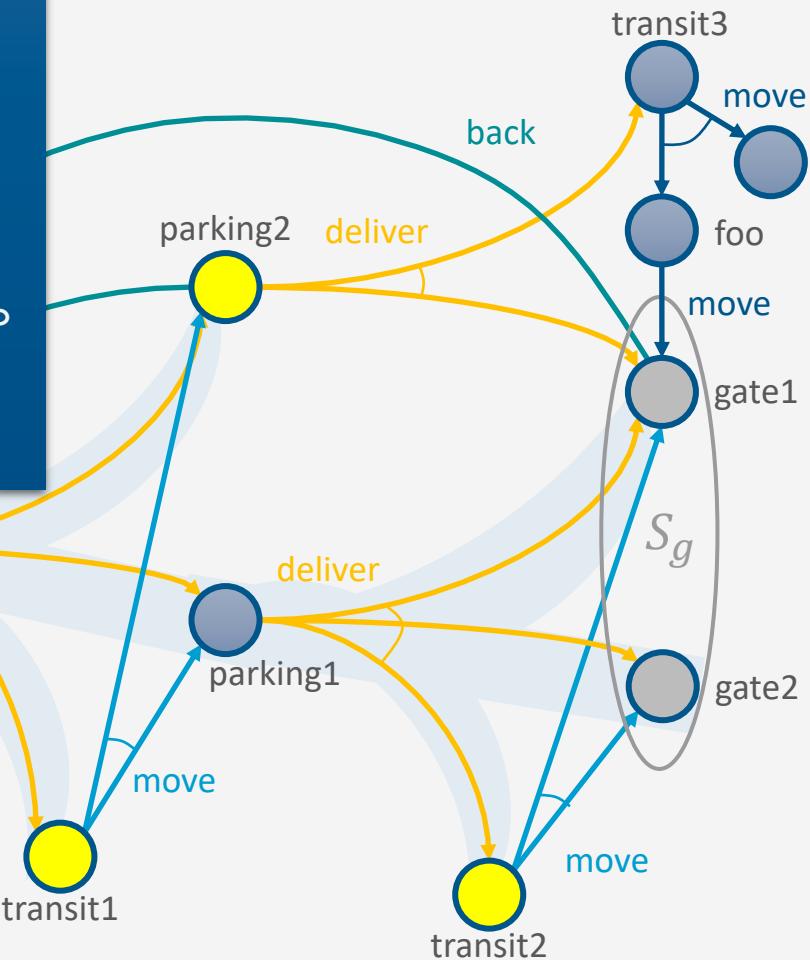
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$\pi = \{(\text{on\_ship}, \text{unload}), (\text{at\_harbor}, \text{park}), (\text{parking1}, \text{deliver})\}$

## Example



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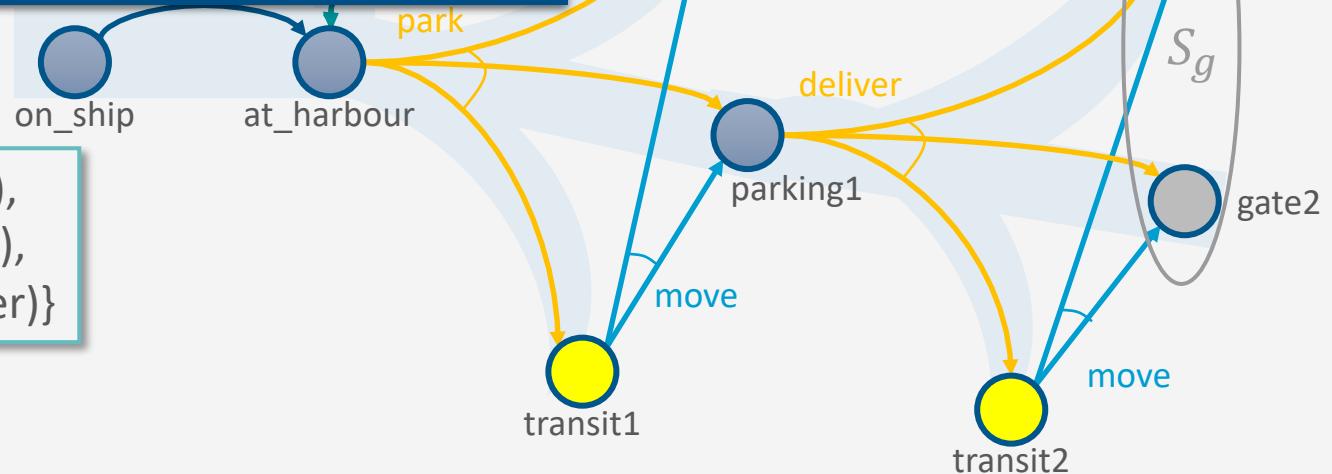
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$p' = \langle \text{deliver}_2 \rangle$

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## Example

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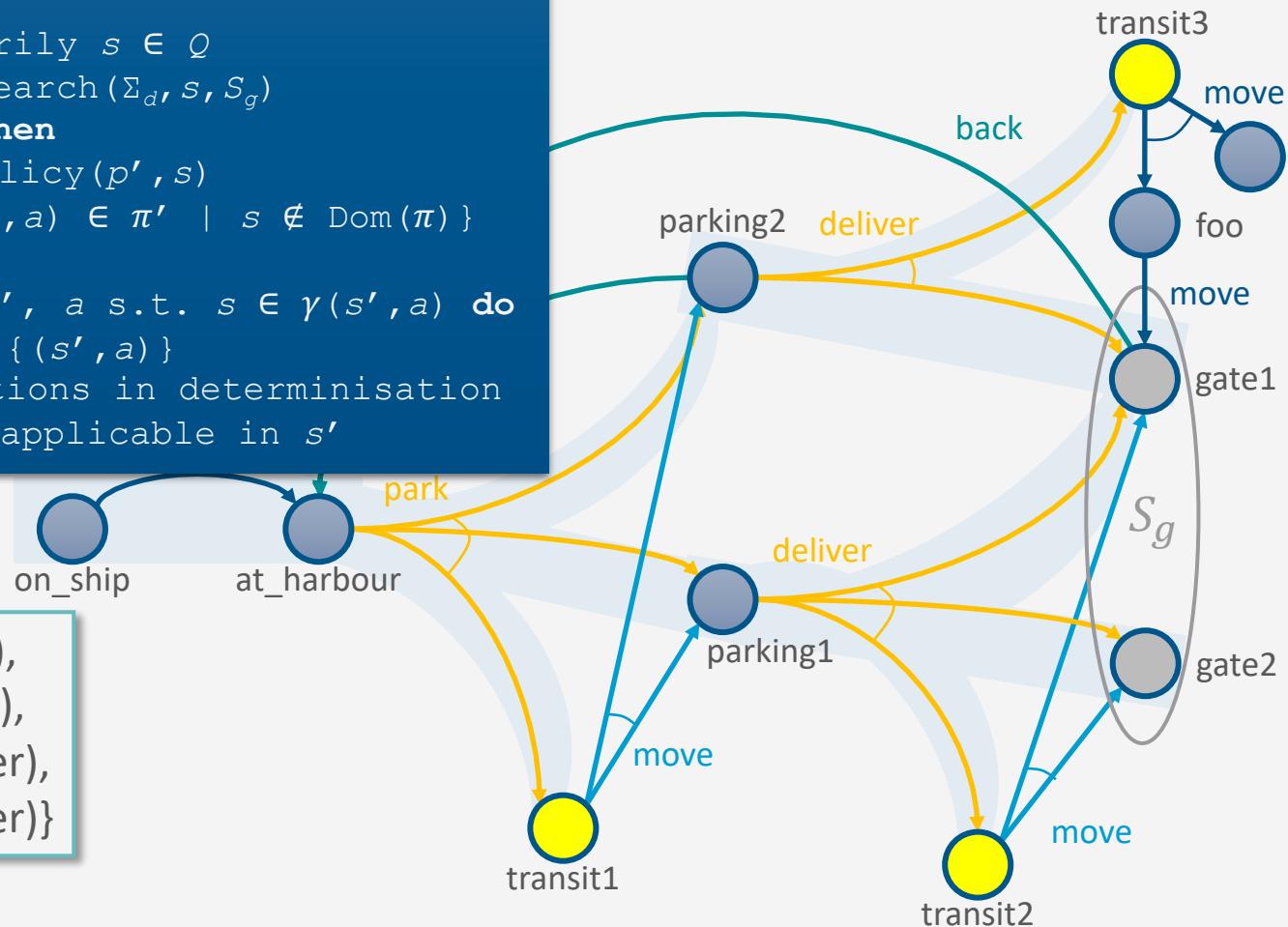
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## Example



## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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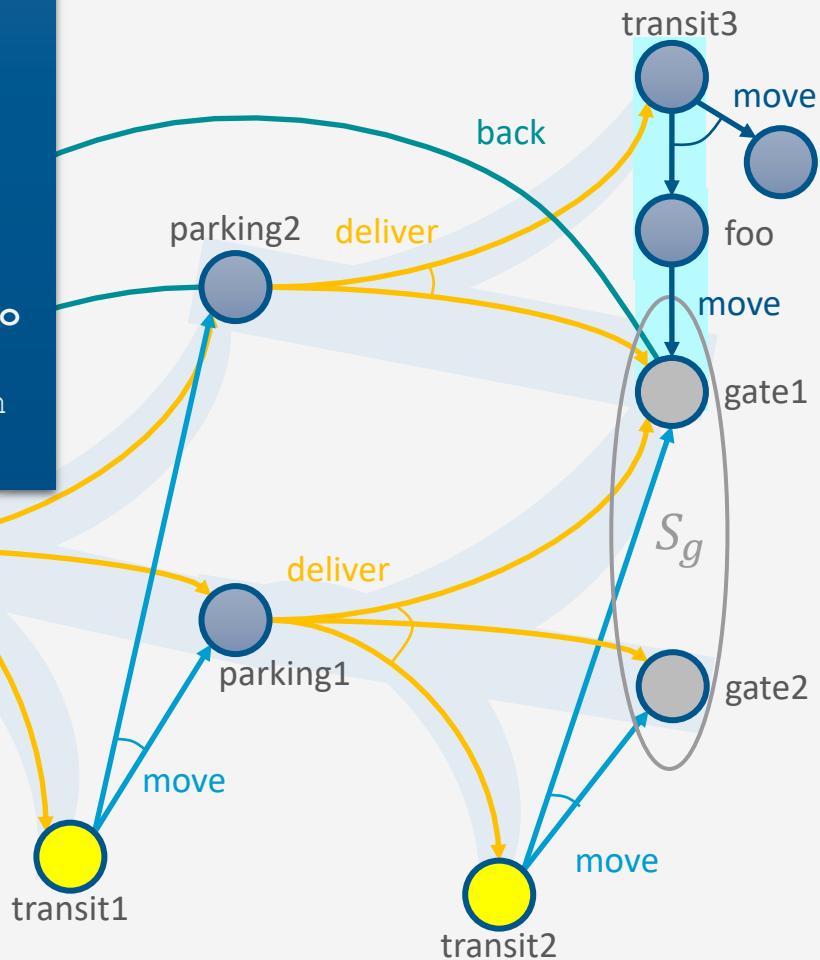
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$p' = \langle \text{move}_2, \text{move} \rangle$

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## Example



## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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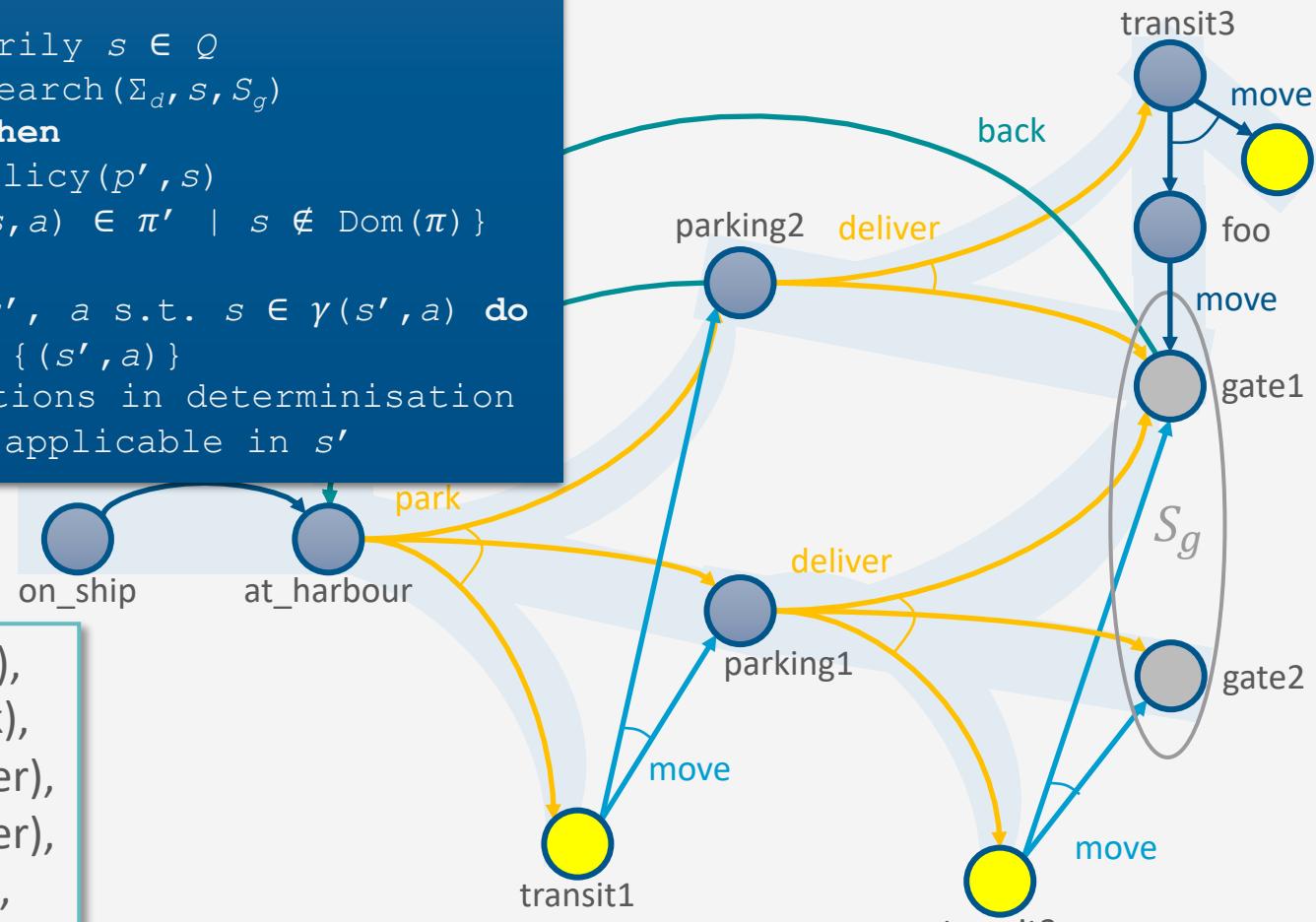
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## Example



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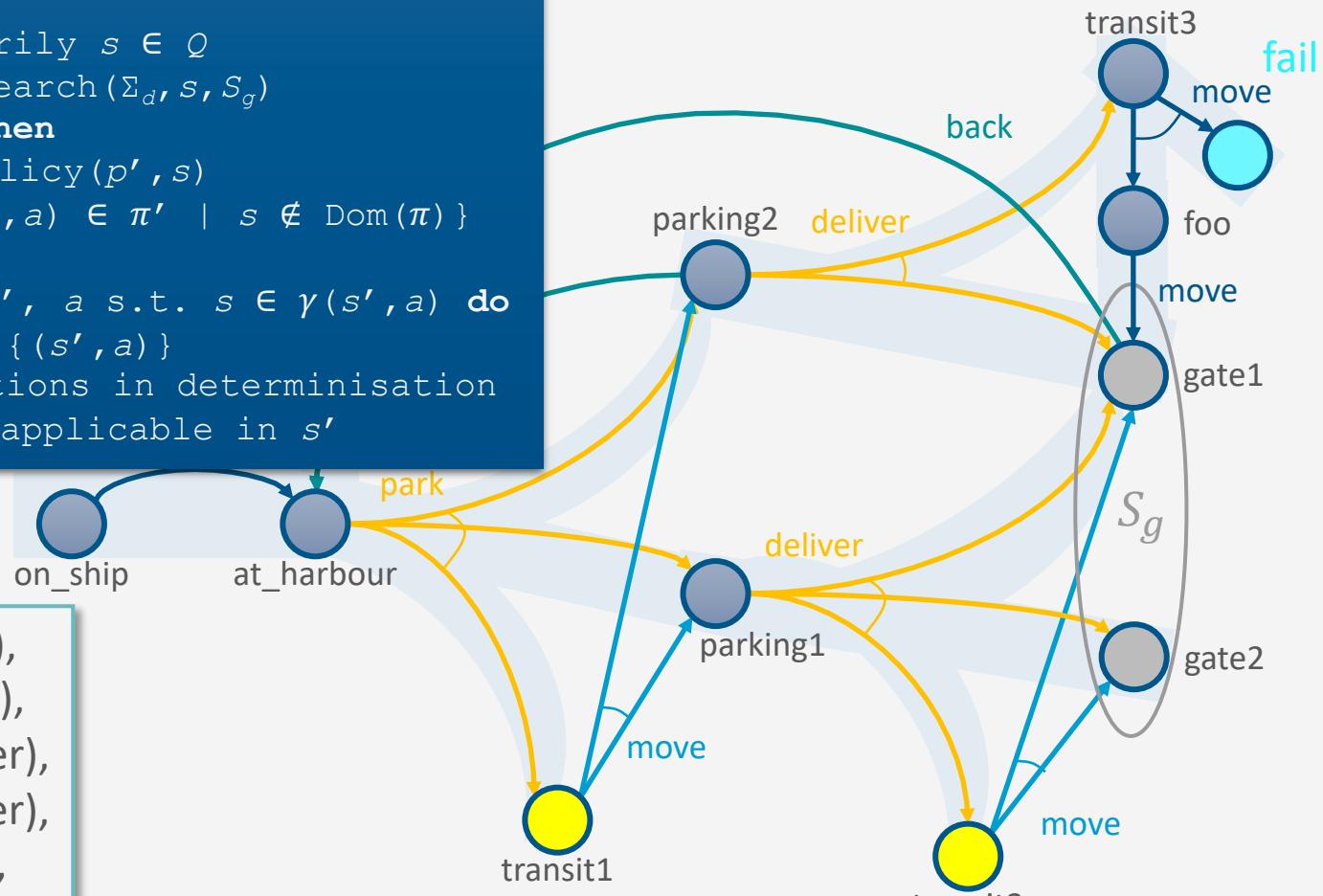
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## Example



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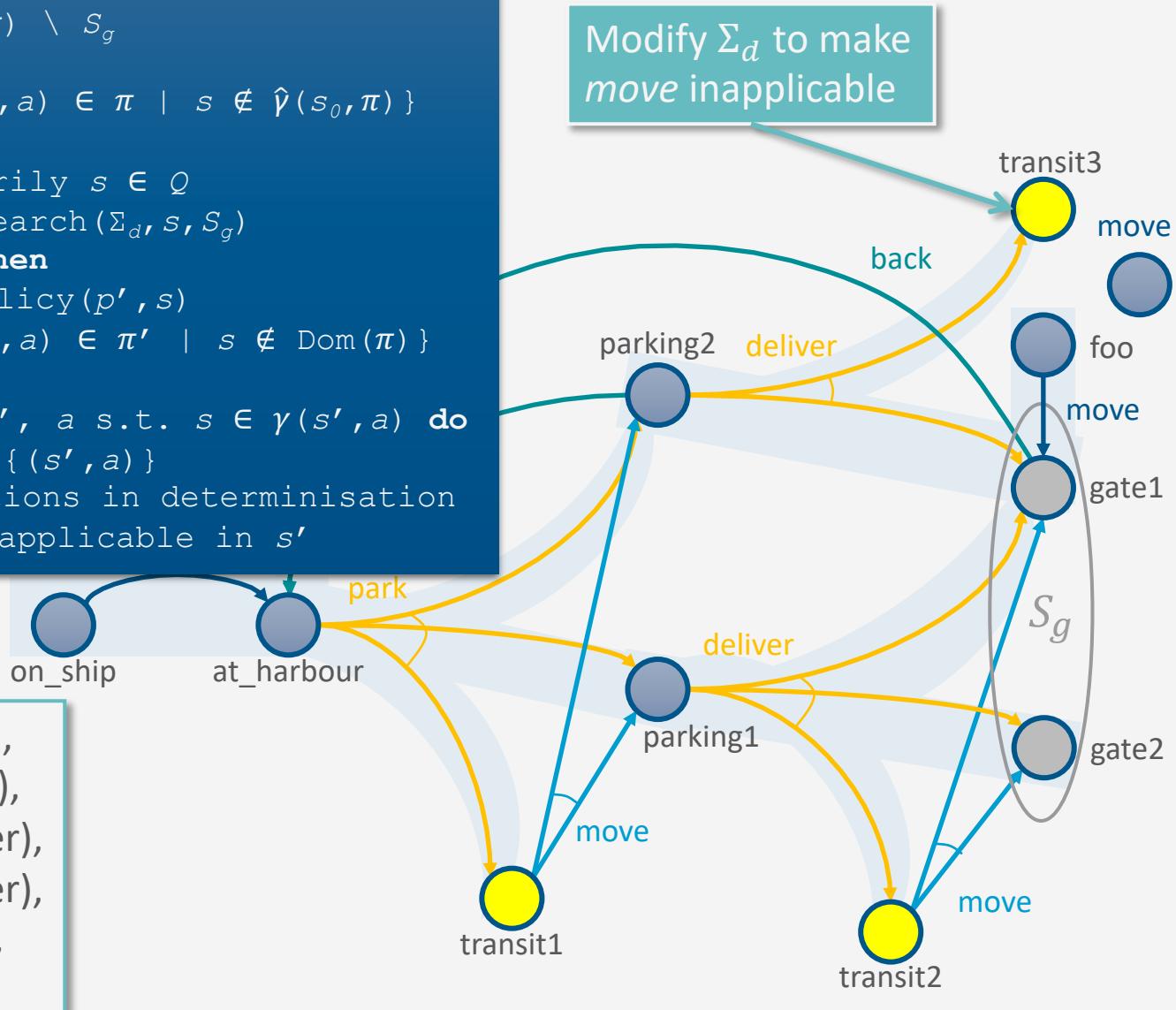
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## Example



**Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation** ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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...  

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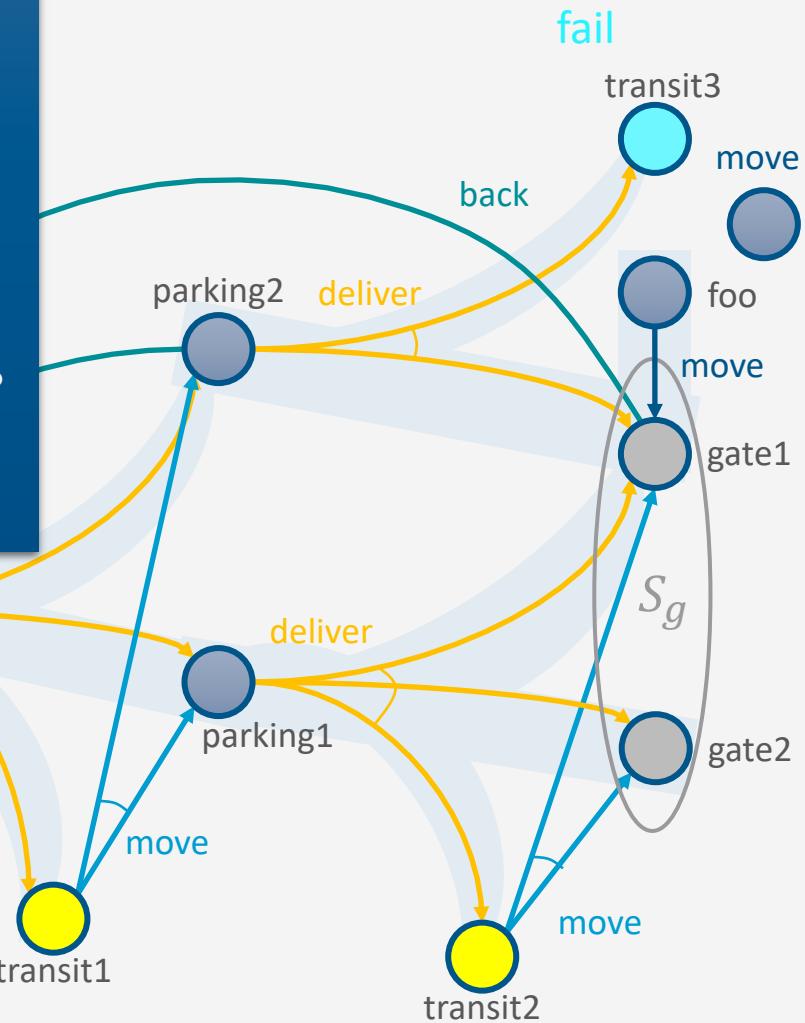
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# Example



## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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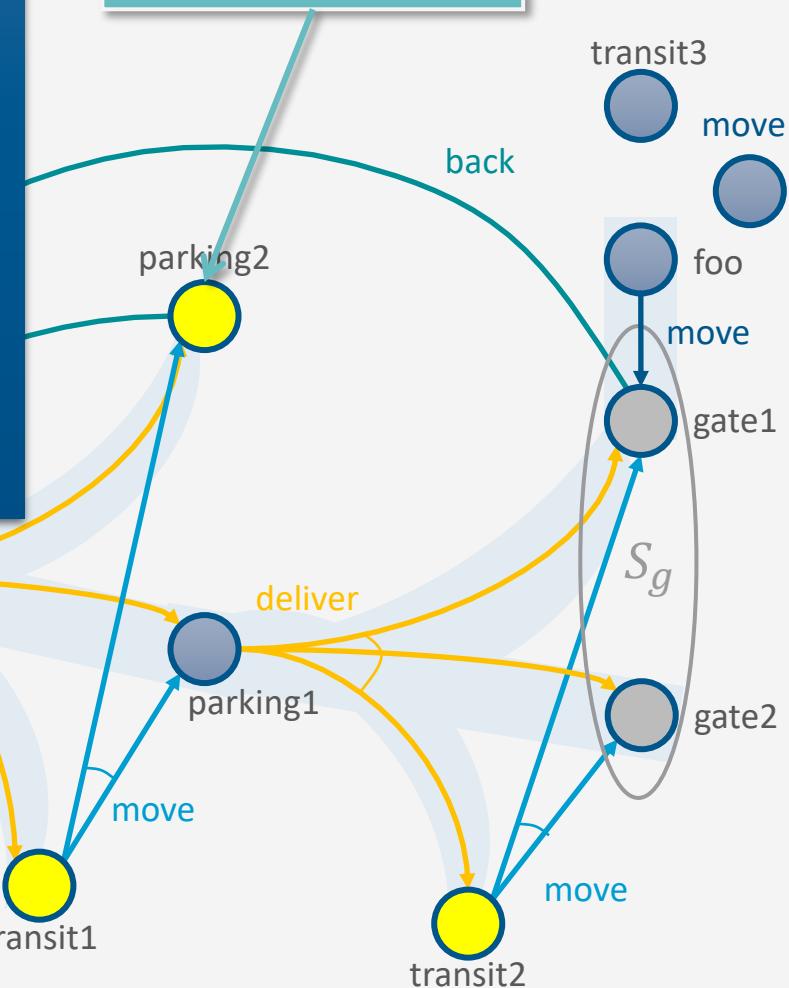
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## Example

Modify  $\Sigma_d$  to make  
deliver inapplicable



## Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

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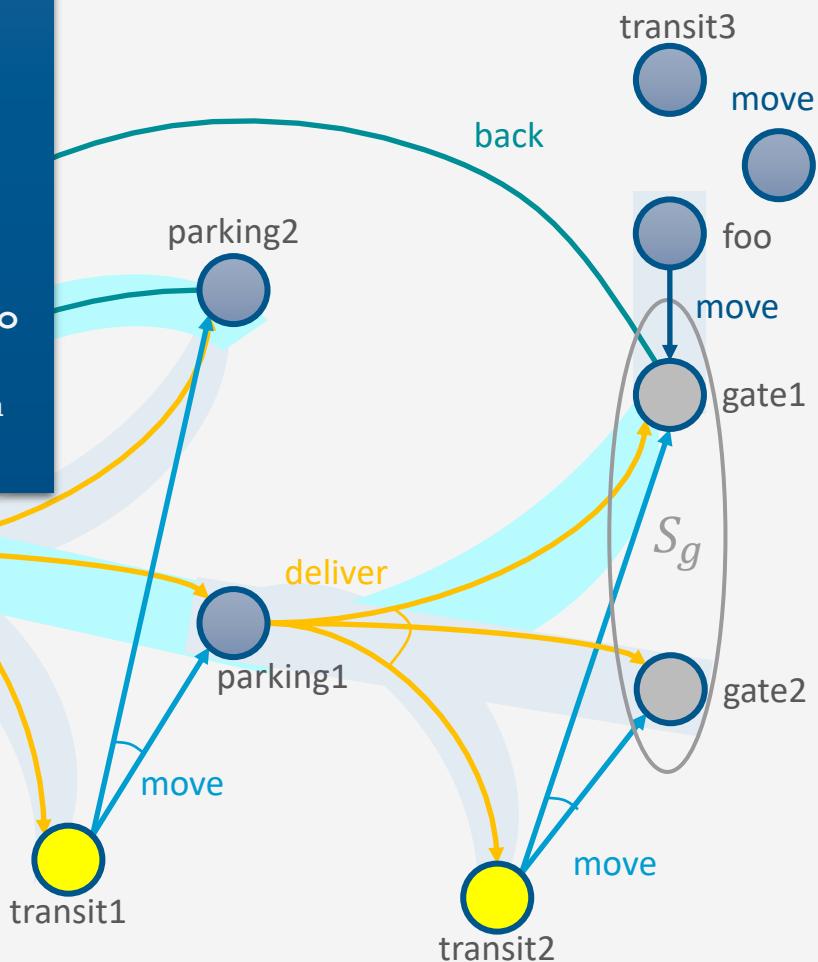
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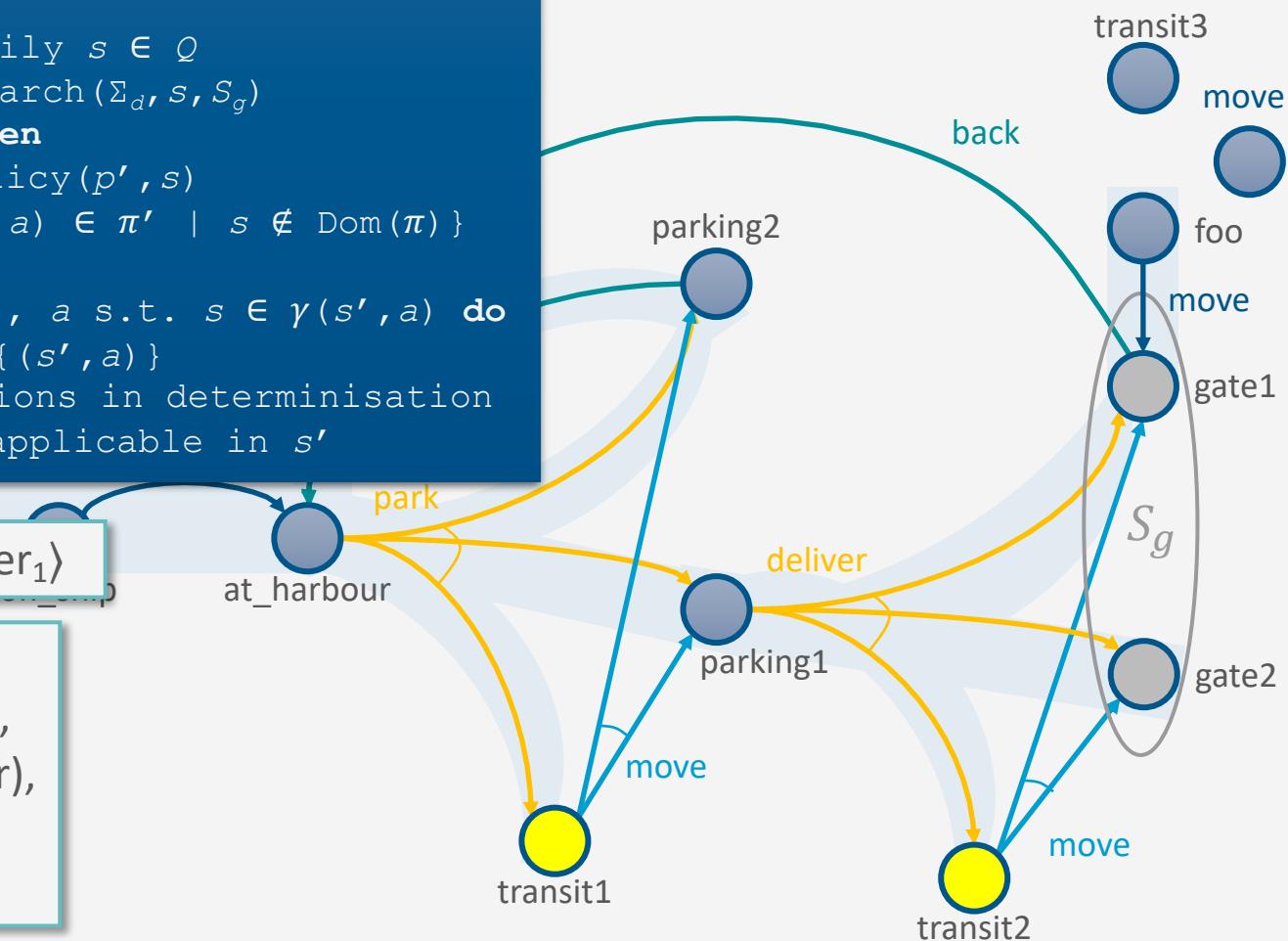
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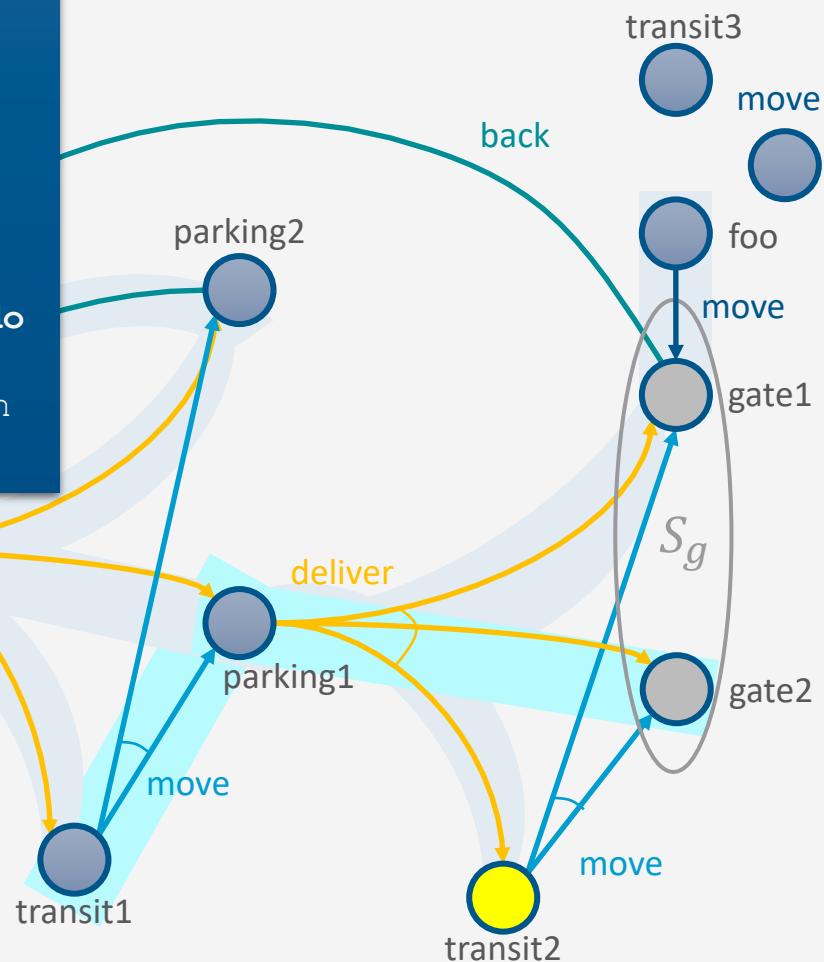
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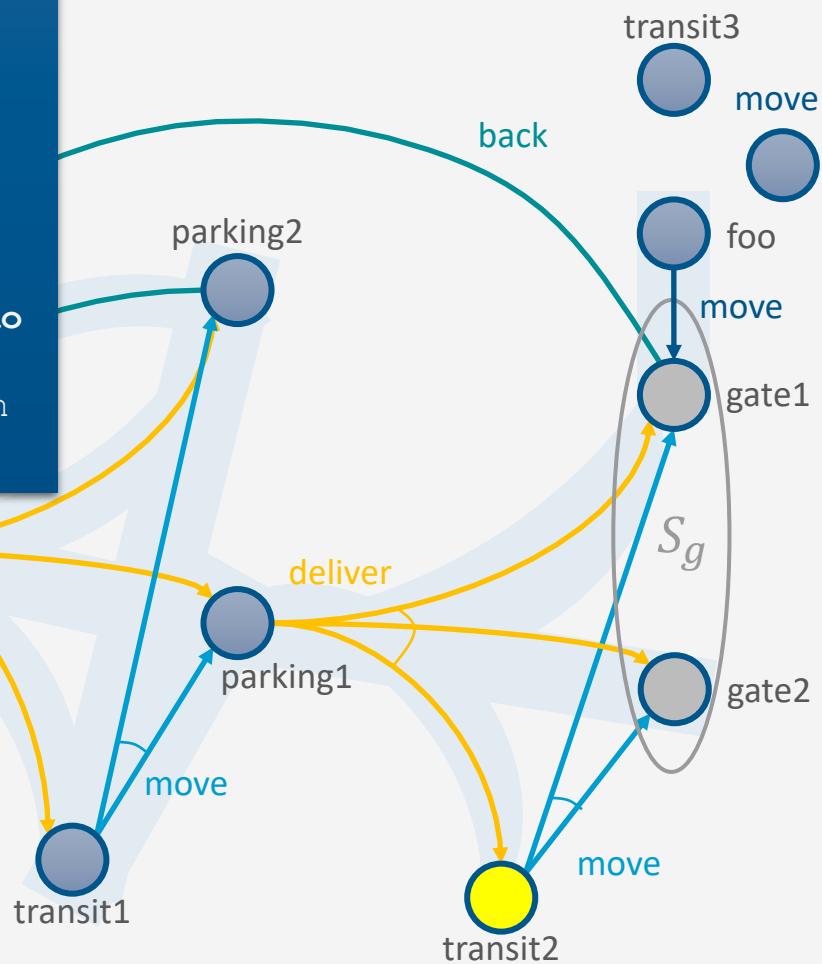
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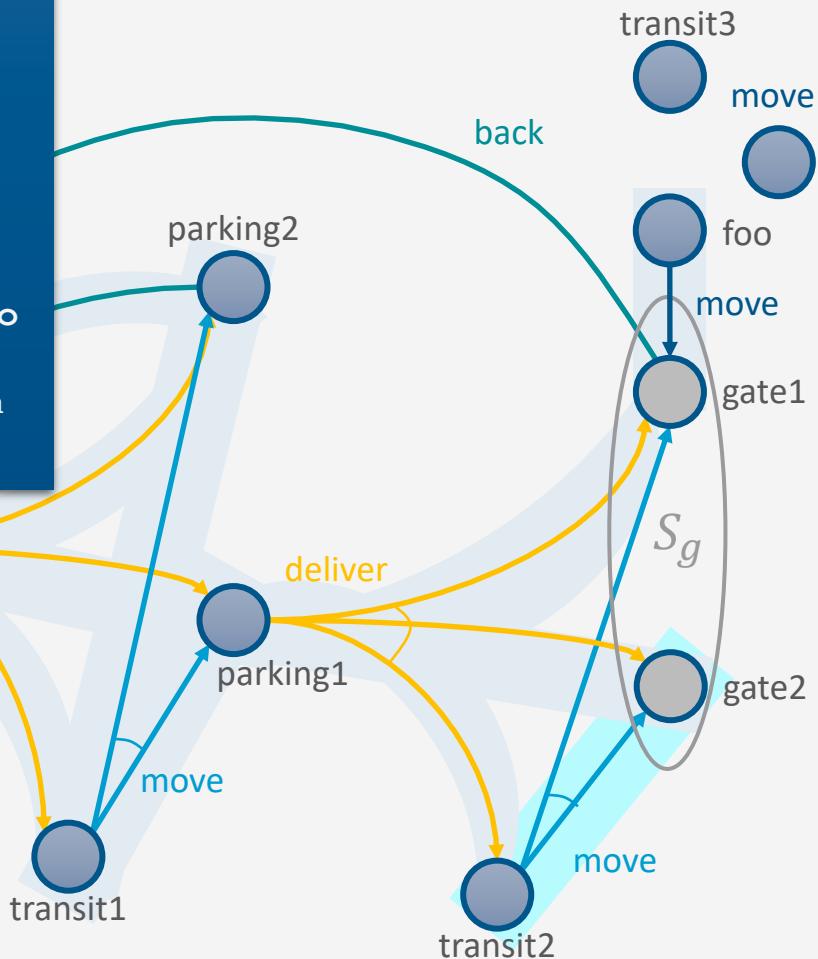
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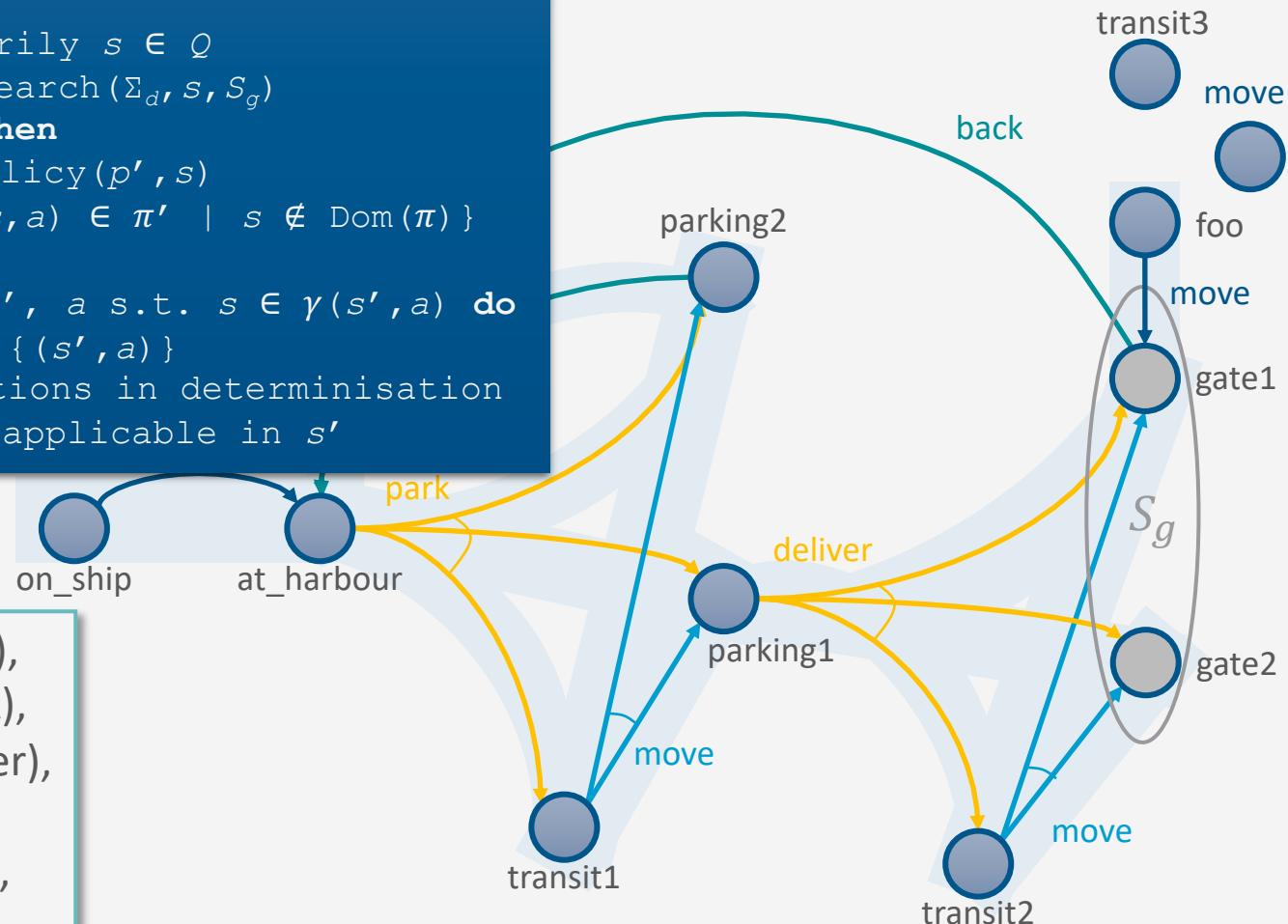
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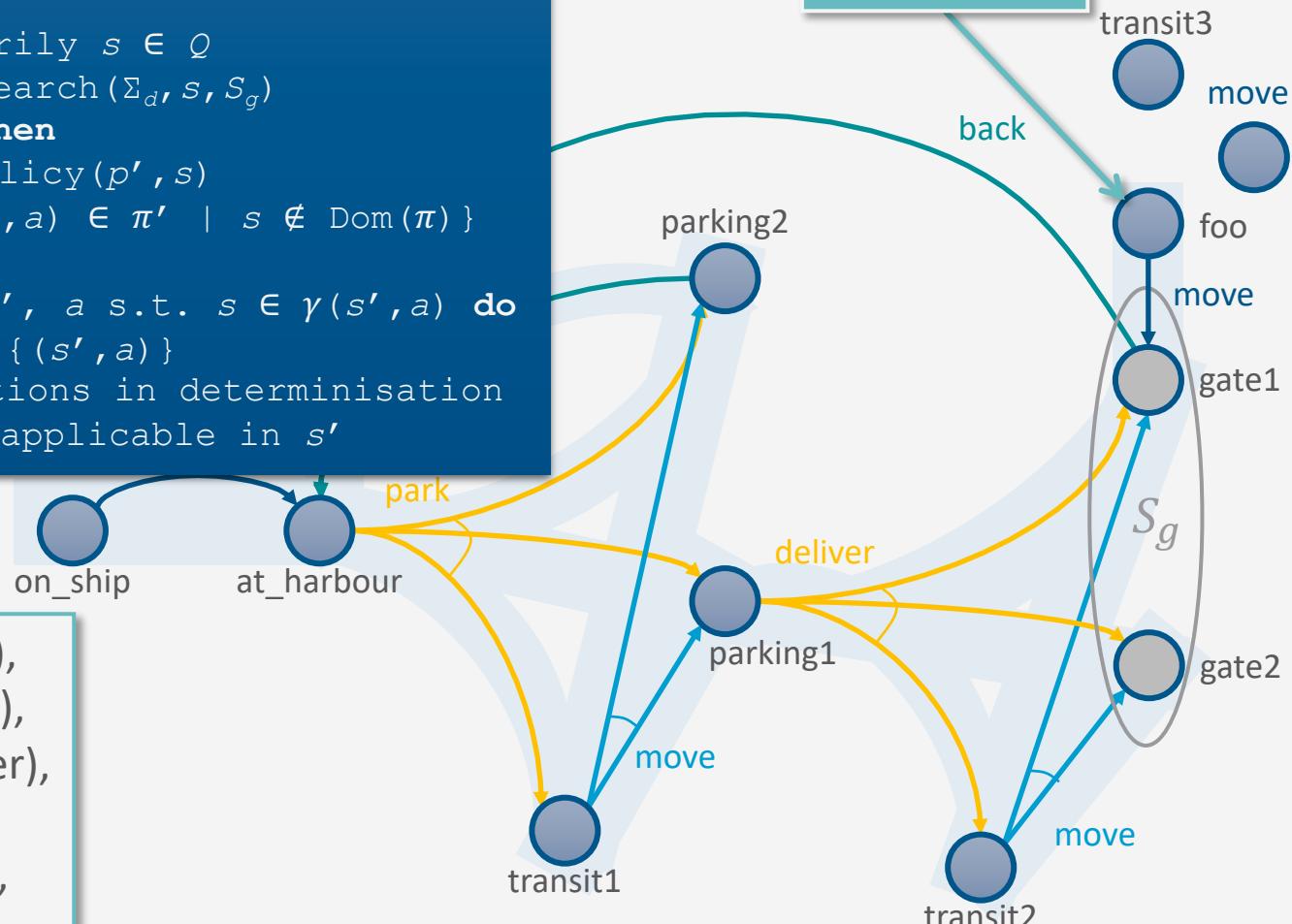
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## Example

Remove  
unreachable  
part of  $\pi$



**Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation**( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )

```

if  $s_0 \in S_g$  then
    return  $\emptyset$ 
if Applicable( $s_0$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
    return failure
 $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
 $\Sigma_d \leftarrow \text{mk-deterministic}(\Sigma)$ 
loop
     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_g$ 
    if  $Q = \emptyset$  then
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    else if  $s = s_0$  then
        return failure
    else
        for every  $s'$ ,  $a$  s.t.  $s \in \gamma(s', a)$  do
             $\pi \leftarrow \pi \setminus \{(s', a)\}$ 
            make the actions in the
            determinisation not
            applicable in  $s'$ 

```

## Making Actions Inapplicable

- Modify  $\Sigma_d$  to make actions inapplicable: Exponential time in worst-case
- Better: table of bad state-action pairs
  - For every  $(s', a)$  s.t.  $s \in \gamma(s', a)$ ,  
 $Bad[s'] \leftarrow Bad[s'] \cup \text{determinization}(a)$
- Modify classical planner to take the table as an argument
  - If  $s$  is current state, only choose actions in  $\text{Applicable}(s) \setminus Bad(s)$

## Intermediate Summary

- Determinisation Techniques
  - Guided-find-safe-solution
    - Call find-solution to get an unsafe solution
    - Call find-solution additional times on the leaves
  - Find-safe-solution-by-determinization
    - Use determinized actions
    - Call classical planner rather than find-solution
    - If dead-ends are encountered, modify actions that lead to them

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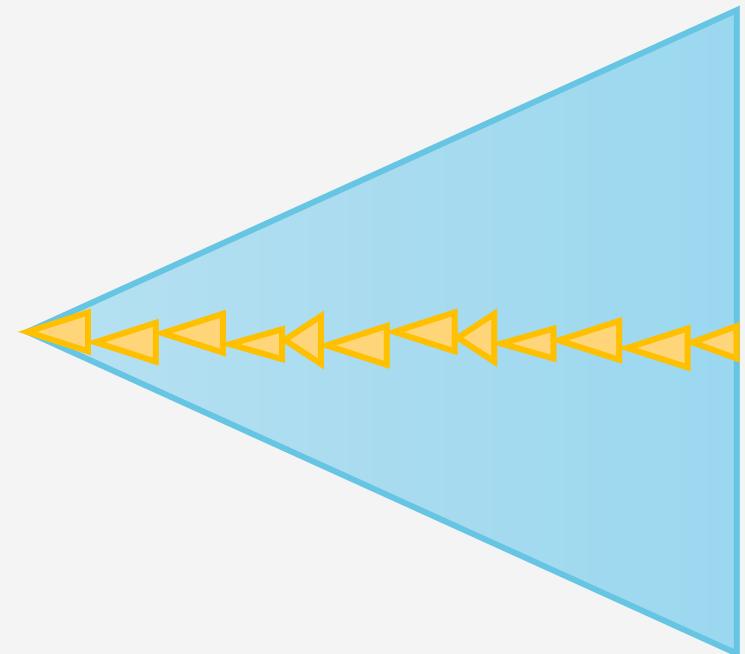
- Guided planning for safe solutions
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## 5.6 Online Approaches

- Lookahead
- Lookahead by determinisation
- Lookahead with a bounded number of steps

# Online Approaches

- Motivation
  1. Planning models are approximate – execution seldom works out as planned
  2. Large problems may require too much planning time
- 2<sup>nd</sup> motivation even more stronger in nondeterministic domains
  - Nondeterminism makes planning exponentially harder
    - Exponentially more time, exponentially larger policies



Offline vs. Runtime  
Search Spaces

# Online Approaches

- Need to identify **good** actions without exploring entire search space
  - Can be done using heuristic estimates
- Some domains are **safely explorable**
  - Safe to create partial plans, because goal states are reachable from all situations
- Other domains contain dead-ends, partial planning will not guarantee success
  - Can get trapped in dead ends that we would have detected if we had planned fully
    - No applicable actions
      - Robot goes down a steep incline and cannot come back up
    - Applicable actions, but caught in a loop
      - Robot goes into a collection of rooms from which there is no exit
  - However, partial planning can still make success more likely

# Lookahead-Partial-Plan

- Adaptation of Run-Lazy-Lookahead (Ch. 2)
- Lookahead is any planning algorithm that returns a policy  $\pi$ 
  - $\pi$  may be partial solution, or unsafe solution
  - Lookahead-Partial-Plan executes  $\pi$  as far as it will go, then calls Lookahead again
  - $\theta$  context-dependent vector of parameters to restrict in some way the search for a solution

```
Lookahead-Partial-Plan( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g, \theta$ )
     $s \leftarrow s_0$ 
    while  $s \notin S_g$  and Applicable( $s$ )  $\neq \emptyset$  do
         $\pi \leftarrow \text{Lookahead}(s, \theta)$ 
        if  $\pi = \emptyset$  then
            return failure
        else
            perform partial plan  $\pi$ 
             $s \leftarrow \text{observe current state}$ 
```

# FS-Replan

- Adaptation of Run-Lookahead (Ch. 2)
- Calls Forward-Search (Ch. 2) on determinised domain, converts to a policy
  - Unsafe solution
- Generalisation:
  - Lookahead can be any planning algorithm that returns a policy  $\pi$

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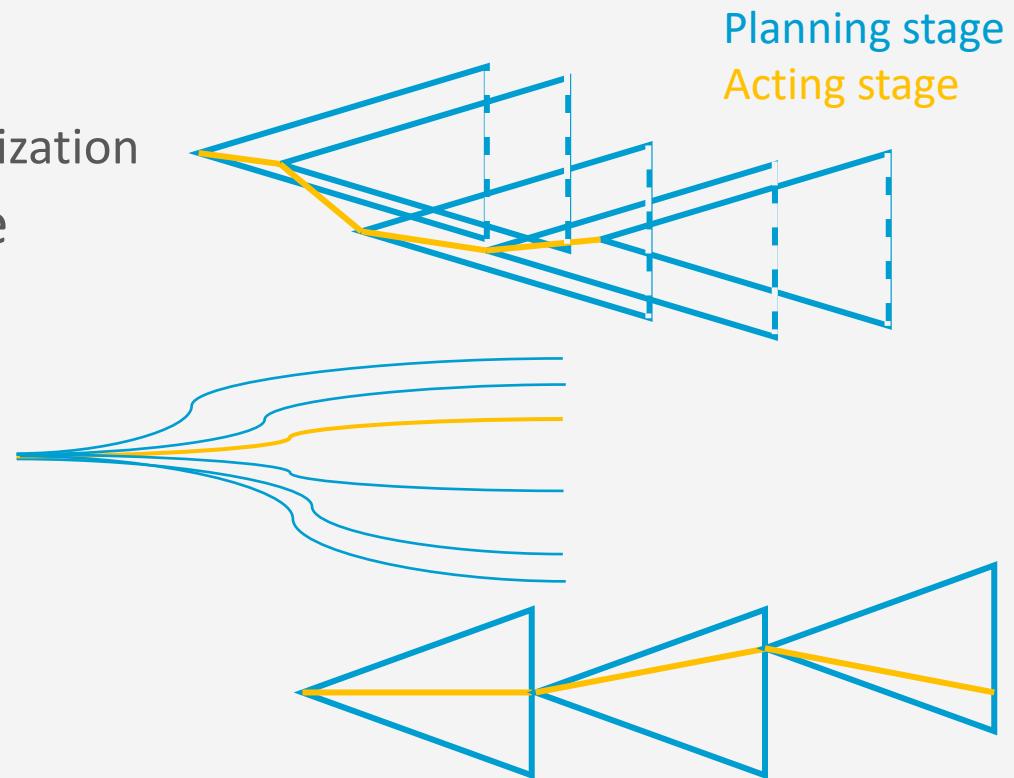
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   $\pi_d \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
  while  $s \notin S_g$  and Applicable( $s$ )  $\neq \emptyset$  do
    if  $\pi_d$  undefined for  $s$  then
       $\pi_d \leftarrow$  Plan2policy(Forward-search( $\Sigma_d, s, S_g$ ),  $s$ )
    if  $\pi_d$  = failure then
      return failure
    perform action  $\pi_d(s)$ 
     $s \leftarrow$  observe resulting state
  
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Generalised-FS-Replan( $\Sigma, s, S_g, \theta$ )
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# Possibilities for Lookahead

- Lookahead could be one of the algorithms we discussed earlier
  - Find-Safe-Solution
  - Find-Acyclic-Solution
  - Guided-Find-Safe-Solution
  - Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinization
- What if it does not have time to run to completion?
  - Can use the same techniques, we discussed earlier
    - Receding horizon
    - Sampling
    - Subgoaling
    - Iterative Deepening



# Possibilities for Lookahead (cont'd)

- Full horizon, limited breadth:
  - Look for solution that works for *some* of the outcomes
  - E.g., modify *Find-Acyclic-Solution* to examine  $i$  outcomes of every action
- Iterative broadening:
  - For  $i = 1$ , increase  $i$  by 1 until time runs out
    - Look for a solution that handles  $i$  outcomes per action

```

Find-Acyclic-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
   $Frontier \leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
  for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
    if Applicable( $s$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
      return failure
    nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$ 
     $\pi \leftarrow \pi \cup (s, a)$ 
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
    if has-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
      return failure
  return  $\pi$ 
  
```

$T \leftarrow i$  elements of  $\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi)$   
 $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup T$

$Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi))$

# MinMax Learning Real Time A\* (MinMax LRTA\*)

- Lookahead with a bounded number of steps
- Loop
  - Choose an action  $a$  that (according to a heuristics  $h$ ) has optimal worst-case cost
    - Update  $h(s)$  to use  $a$ 's worst-case cost
    - Perform  $a$

Looks ahead 1 step; can be modified to look ahead  $k$  steps

**Min-Max-LRTA\* ( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )**

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Assumes each action has cost 1;  
can easily be modified to use cost  
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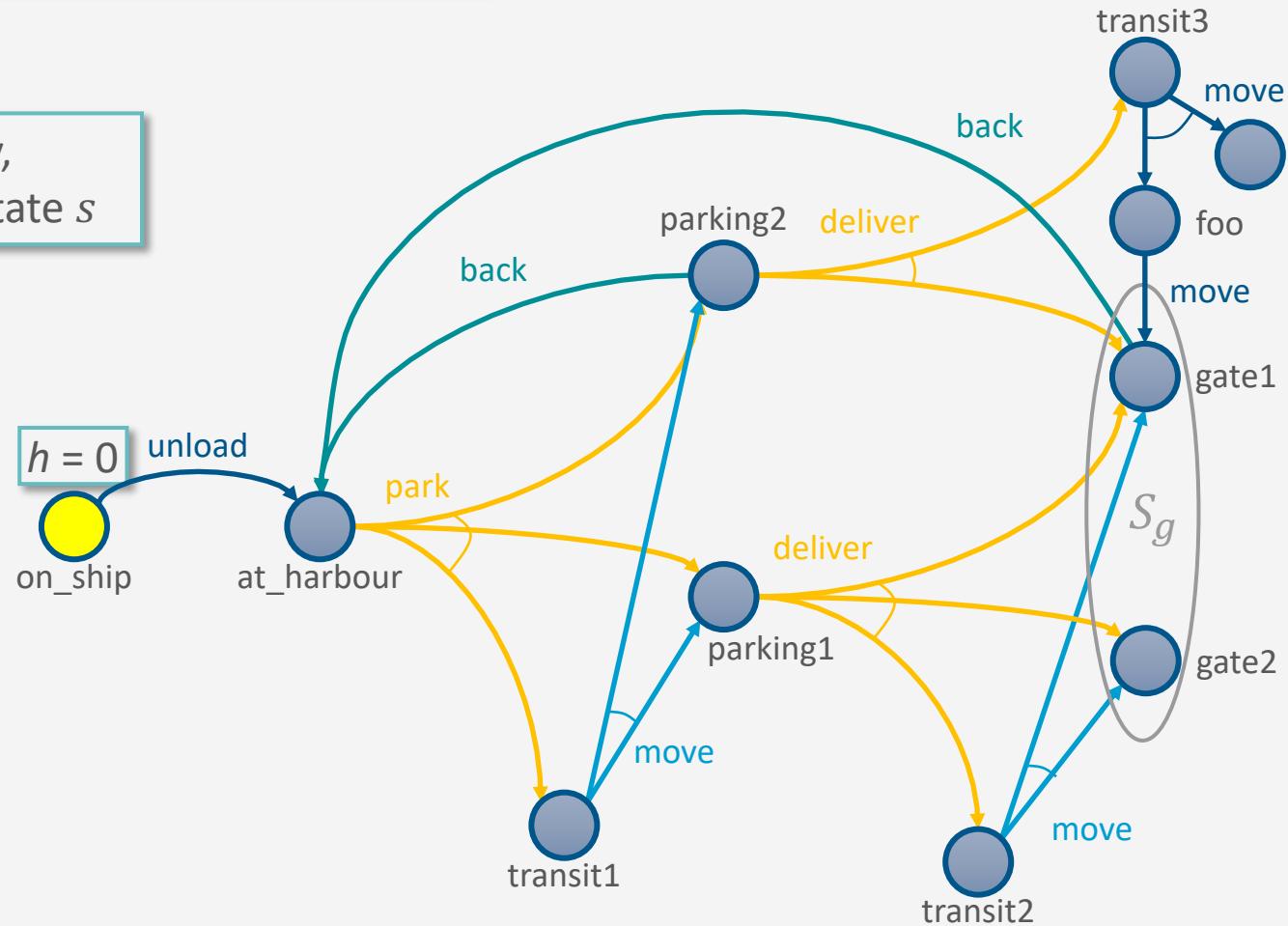
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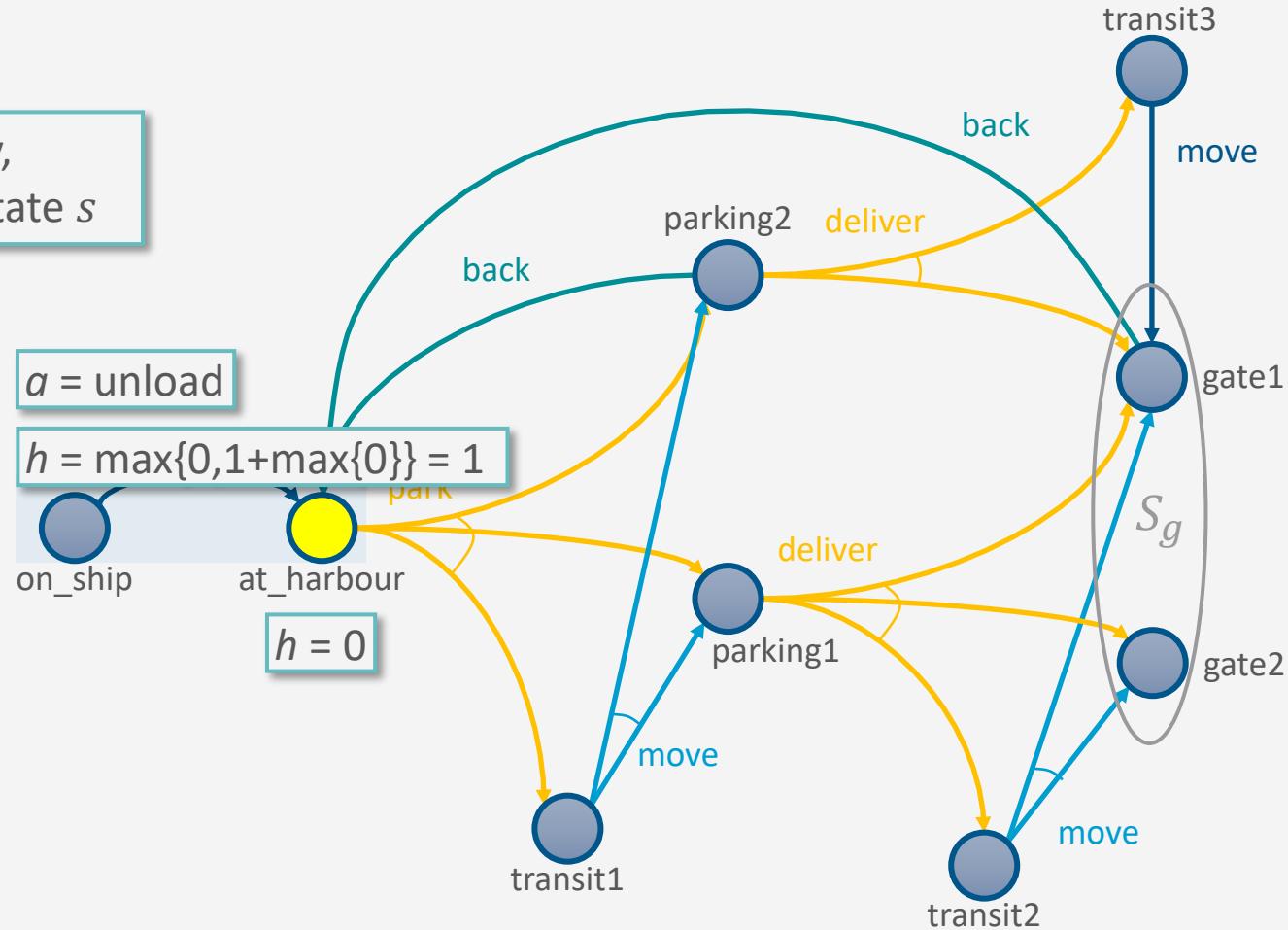
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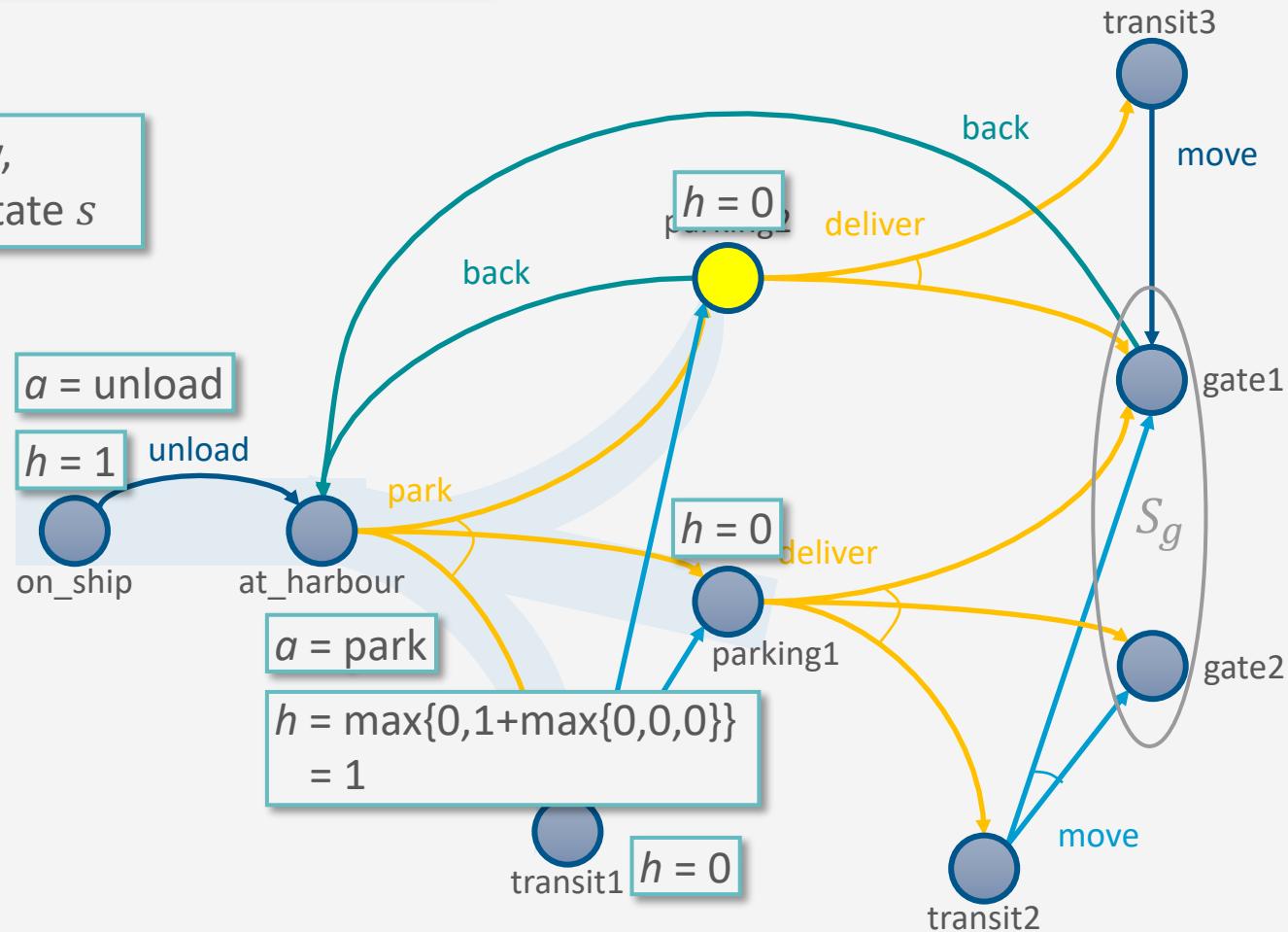
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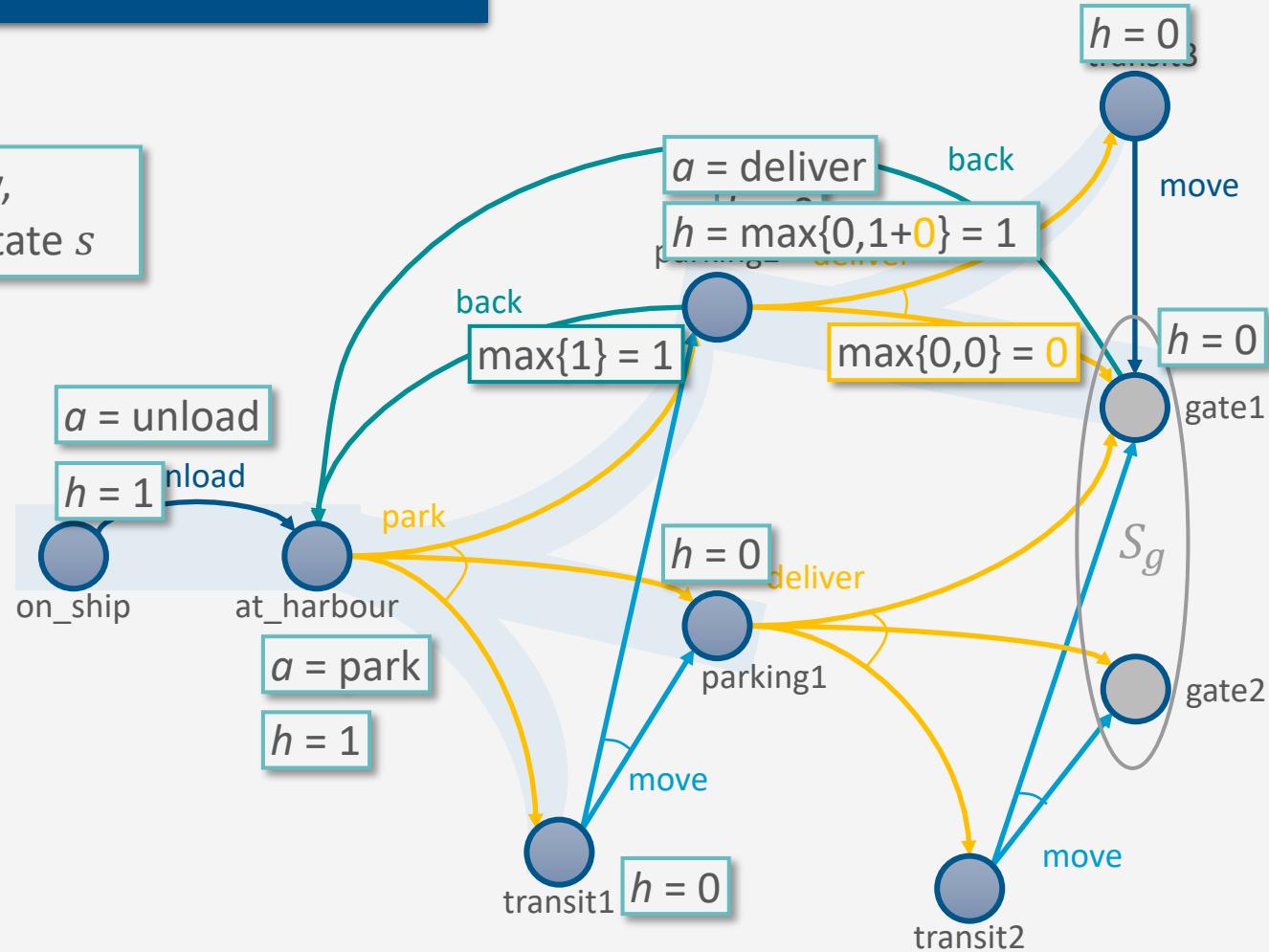
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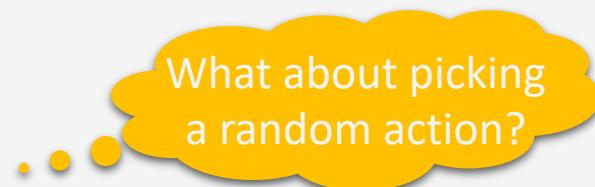
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# Safely Explorable Domains

- Safely explorable domain
  - For every state  $s$ , at least one goal state is reachable from  $s$ 
    - No dead ends
- In a safely explorable domain,
  - Using Lookahead-Partial-Plan or FS-Replan
    - Lookahead never returns failure
    - Then we will eventually reach a goal
  - Using MinMax LRTA\*
    - Algorithm is guaranteed to terminate and generate a solution



## Intermediate Summary

- Online approaches
  - Lookahead-partial-plan
    - Adaptation of Run-Lazy-Lookahead
  - FS-replan
    - Adaptation of Run-Lookahead
- Ways to do the lookahead
  - Full breadth with limited depth
    - Iterative deepening
  - Full depth with limited breadth
    - Iterative broadening
- Min-Max-LRTA\*
- Convergence in safely explorable domains

Can also adapt  
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Can put bounds on  
both depth and breadth

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