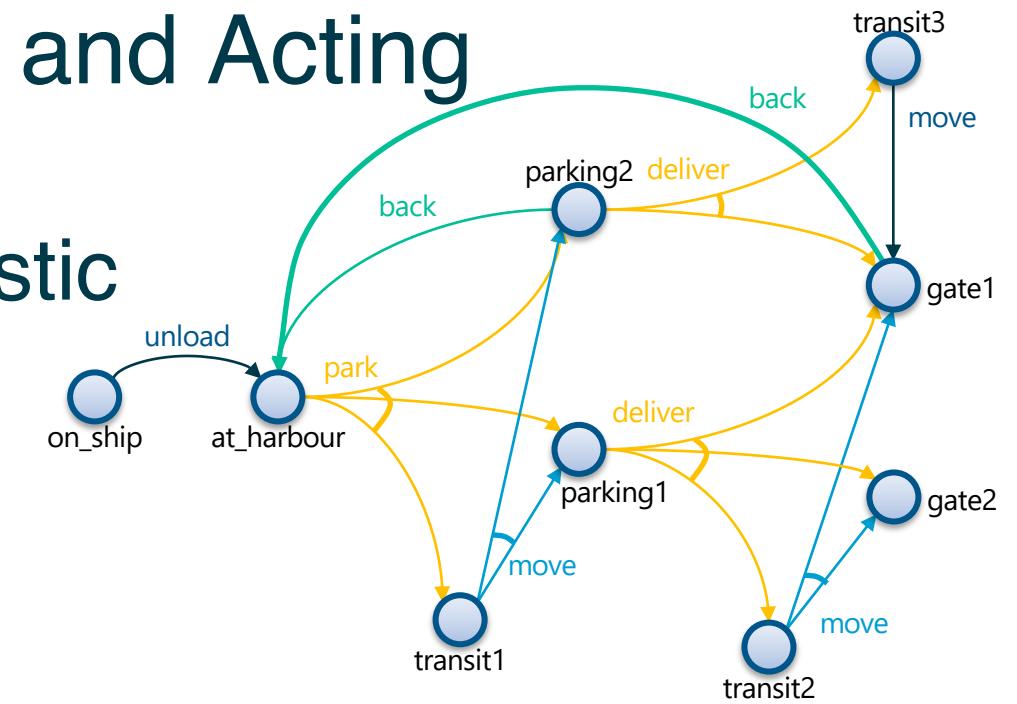




Intelligent Agents : Automated Planning and Acting

Nondeterministic
Models



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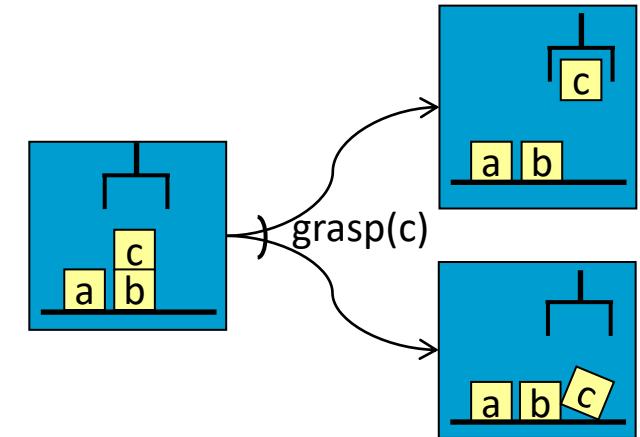
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Motivation

- 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

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Nondeterministic Planning Domains

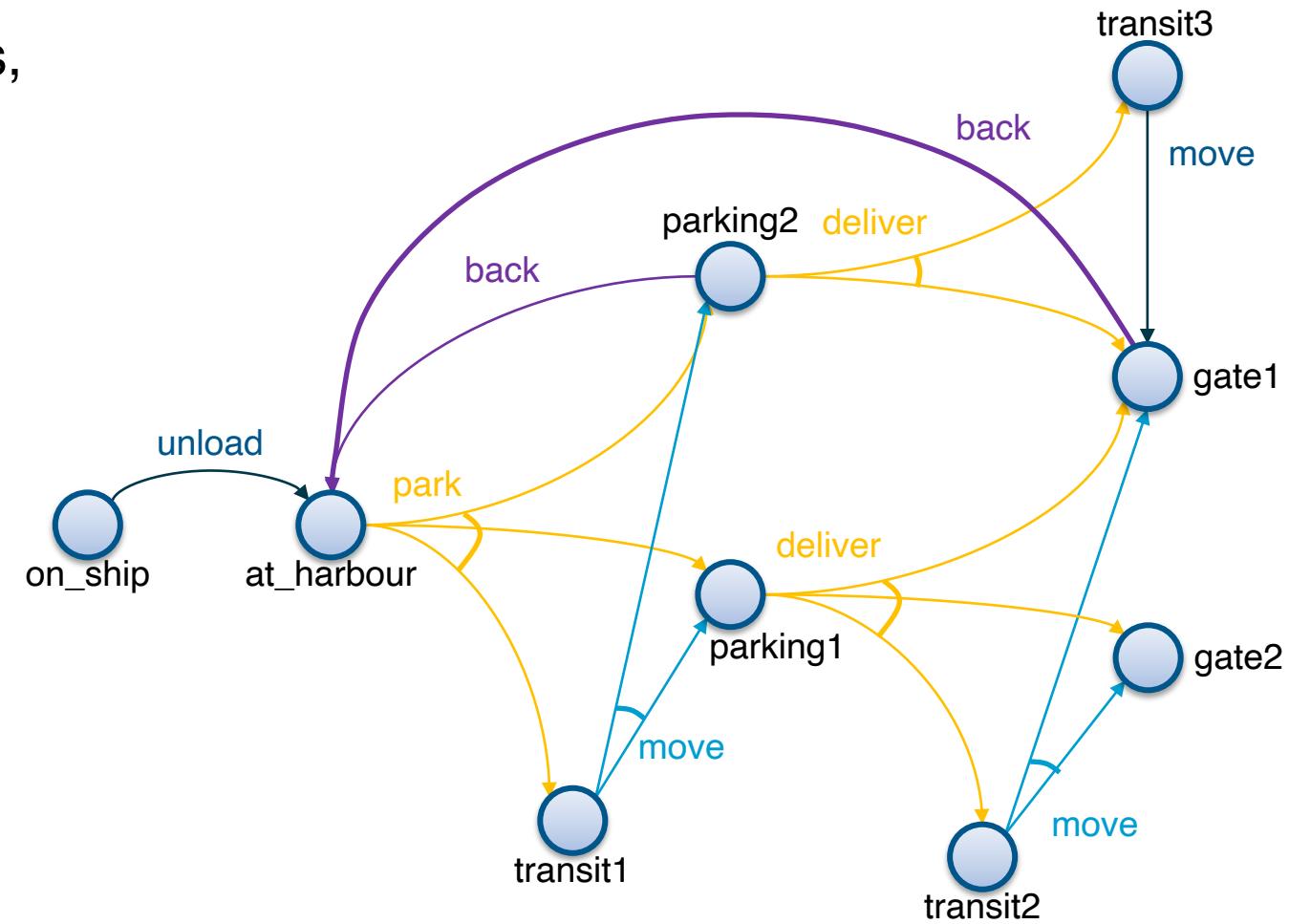
- Planning domain: 3-tuple (S, A, γ)
 - S and A – finite sets of states and actions
 - $\gamma : S \times A \rightarrow 2^S$
- $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{all possible “next states” after applying action } a \text{ in state } s\}$
- a is **applicable** in state s iff $\gamma(s, a) \neq \emptyset$
- $\text{Applicable}(s) = \{\text{all actions applicable in } s\} = \{a \in A | \gamma(s, a) \neq \emptyset\}$
- One possible action representation:
 - n mutually exclusive “effects” lists
- **Problem:** n may be combinatorially 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 ₁ : e_{11}, e_{12}, \dots
eff ₂ : e_{21}, e_{22}, \dots
⋮
eff _n : e_{n1}, e_{n2}, \dots



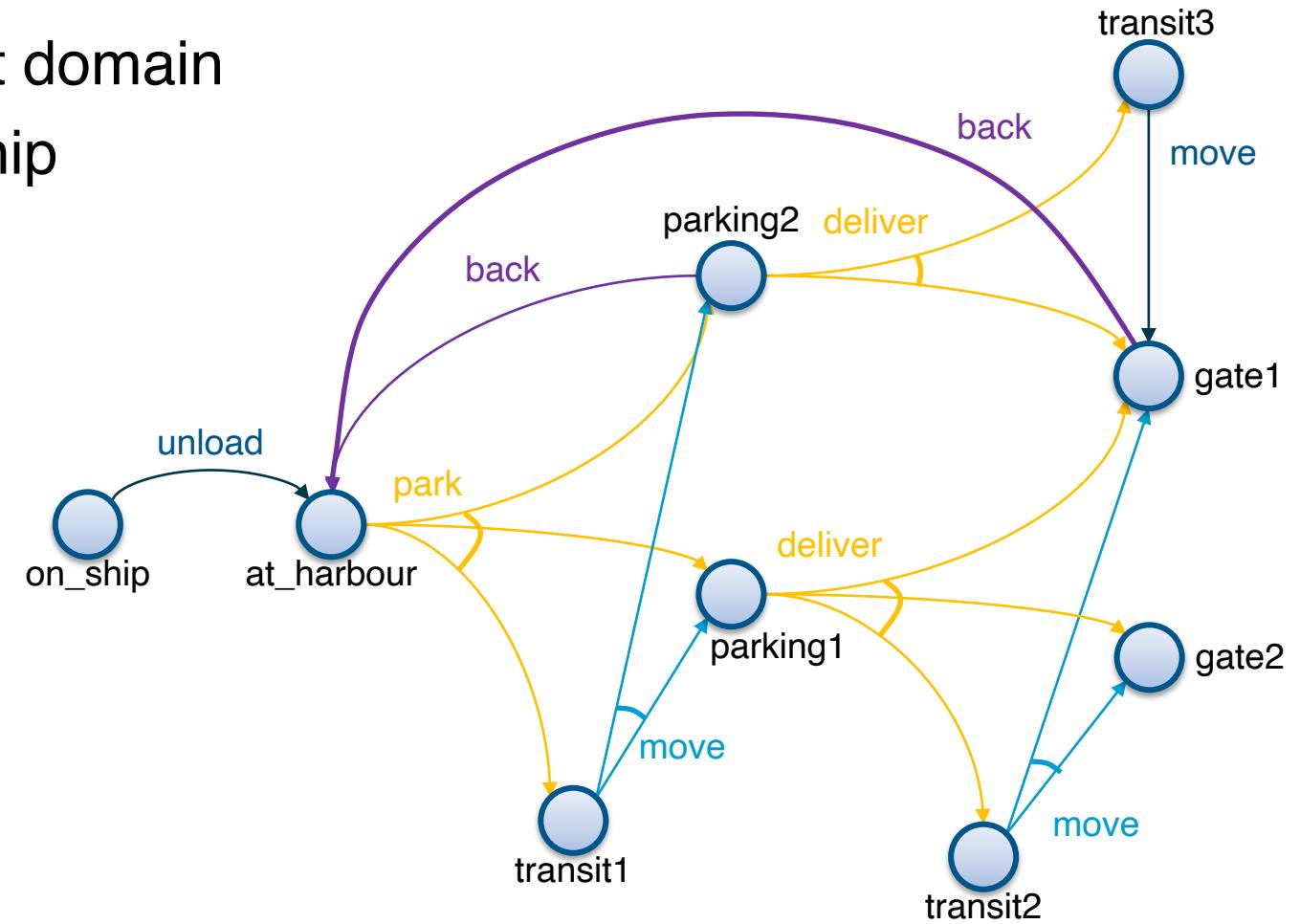
Nondeterministic Planning Domains

- 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



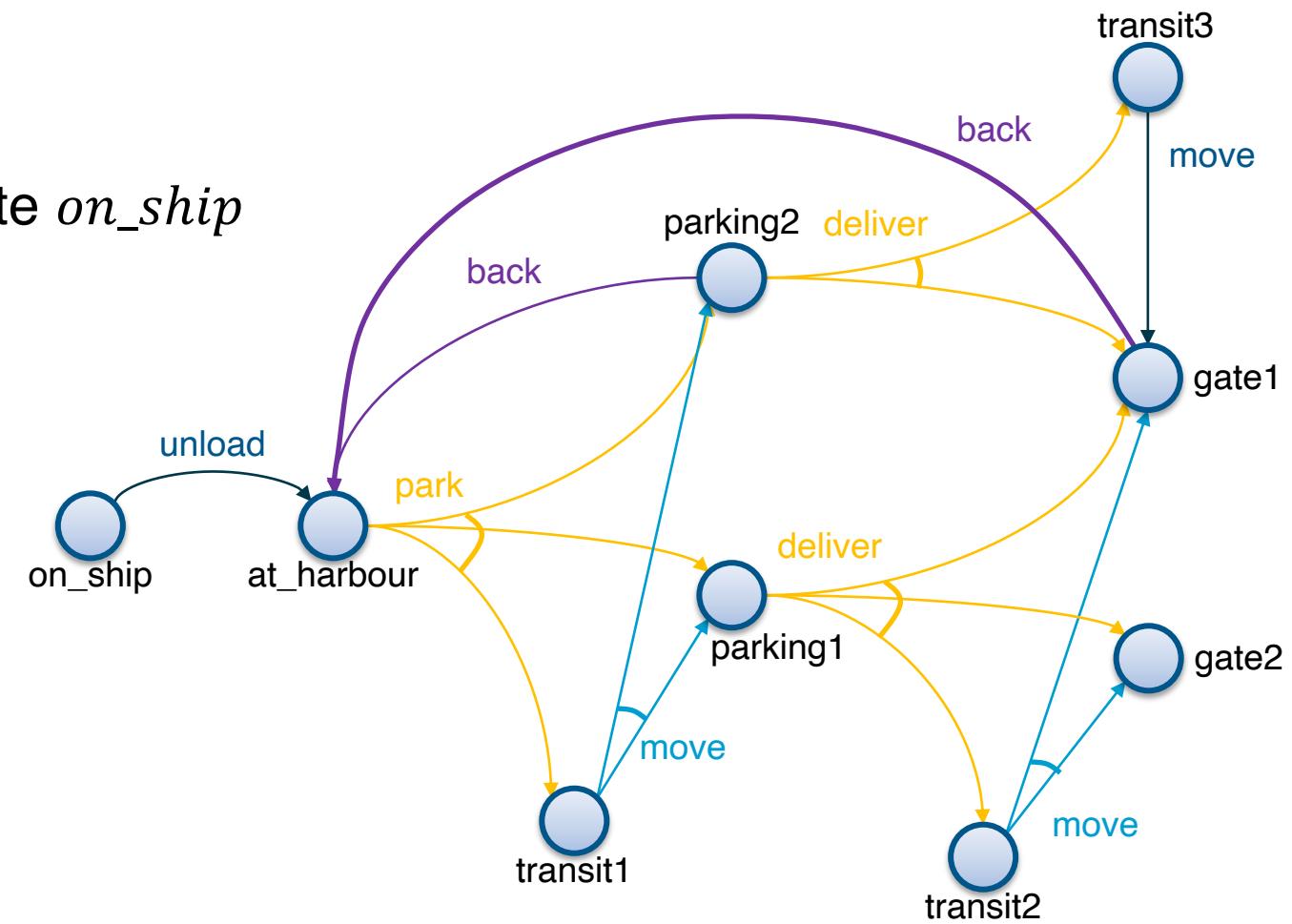
Example

- 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

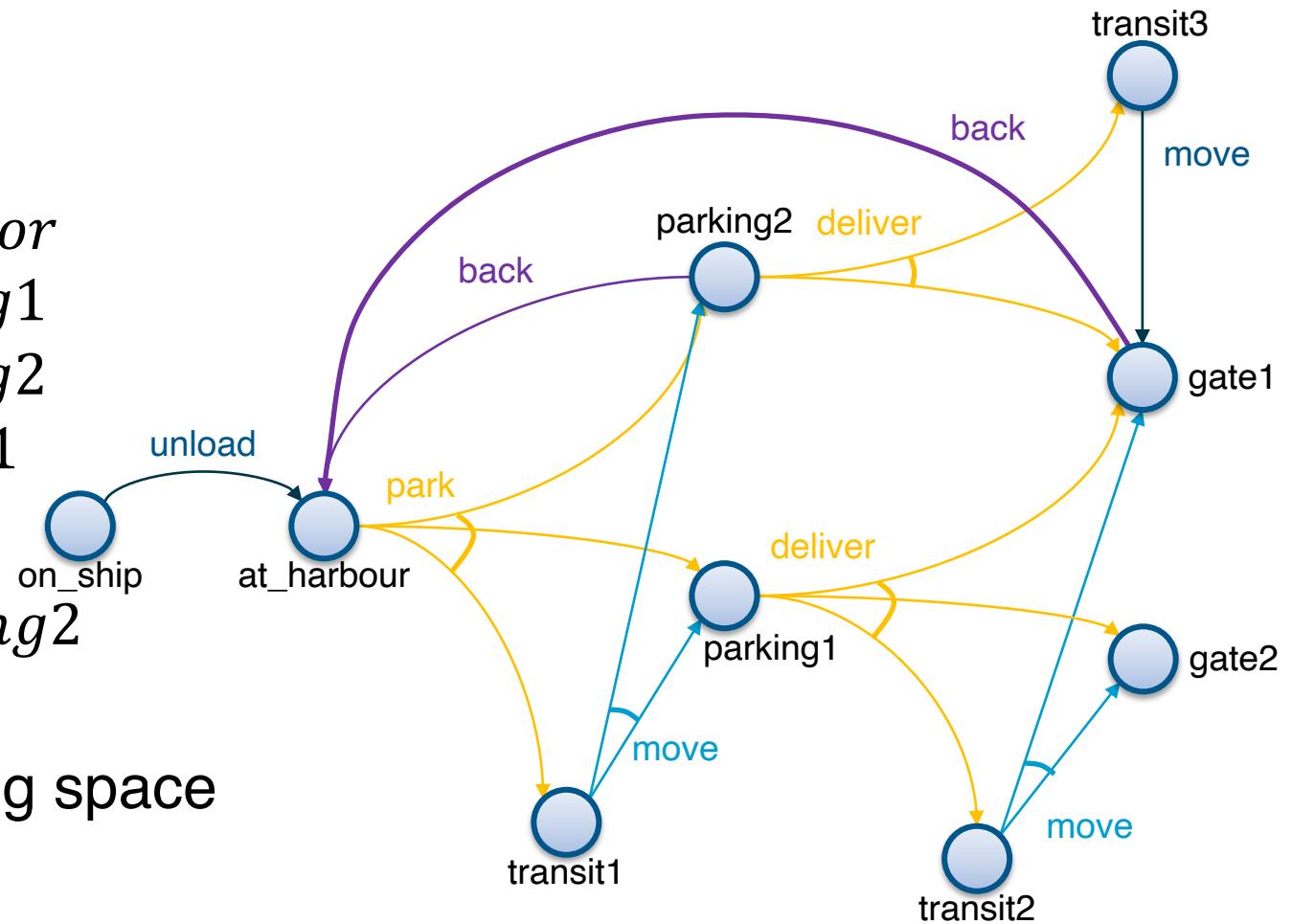
- Action example:

- *park*

pre: $pos(item) = at_harbor$
eff₁: $pos(item) \leftarrow parking1$
eff₂: $pos(item) \leftarrow parking2$
eff₃: $pos(item) \leftarrow transit1$

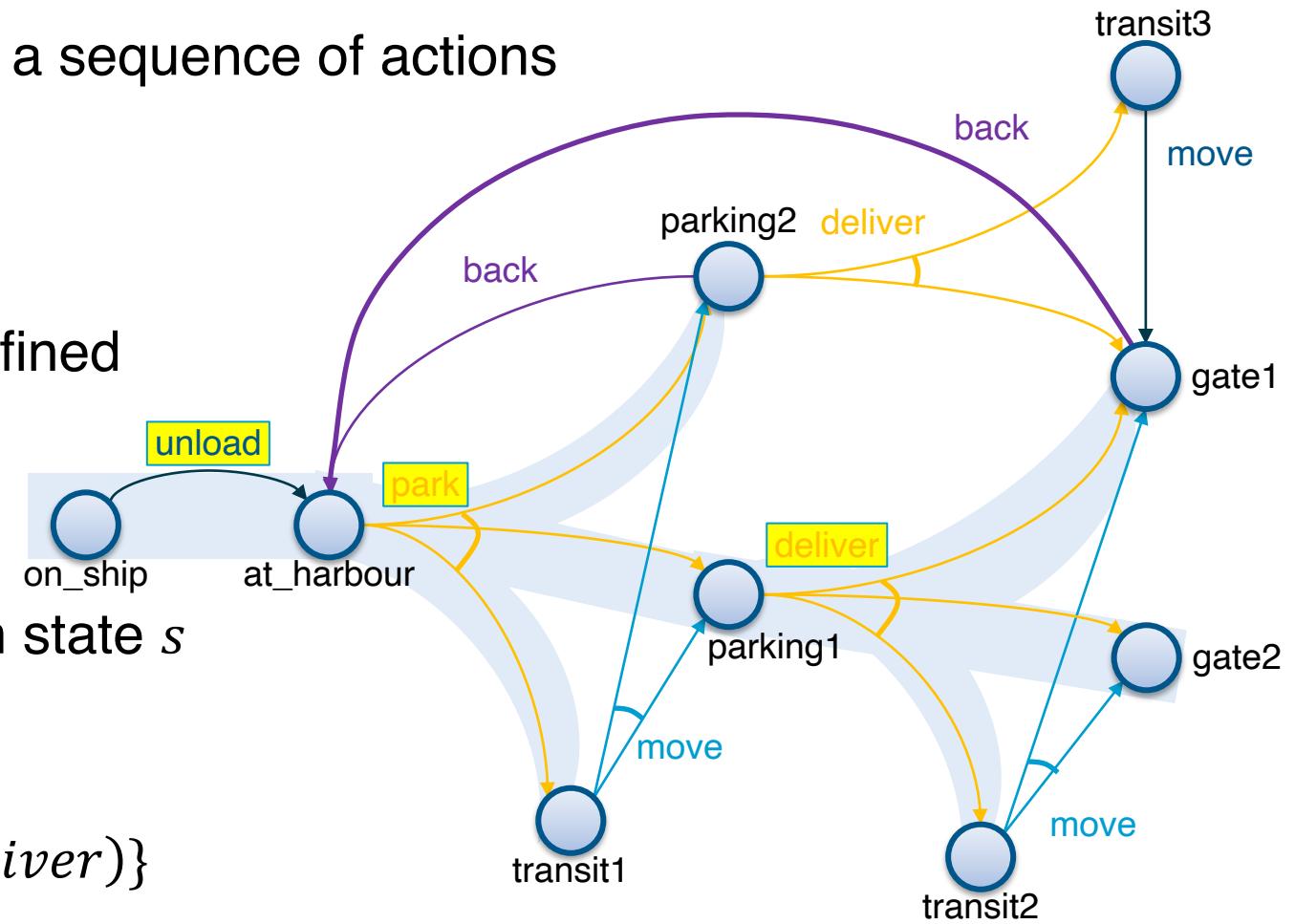
- Three possible outcomes

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



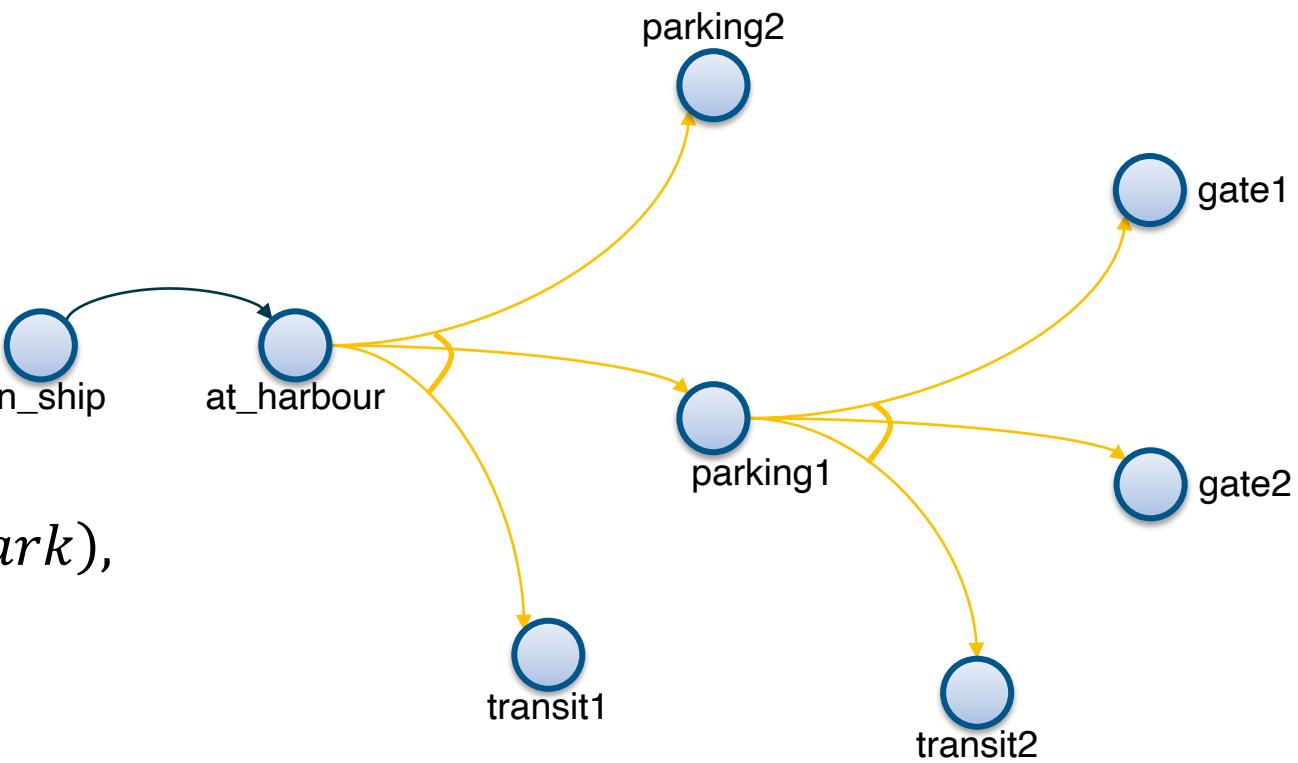
Plans Policies

- 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., $Dom(\pi) \subseteq S$
 - Domain: values for which π defined
 - For every $s \in Dom(\pi)$, require $\pi(s) \in Applicable(s)$
- Meaning:
 - Perform $\pi(s)$ whenever we are in state s
- Example
 - $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$



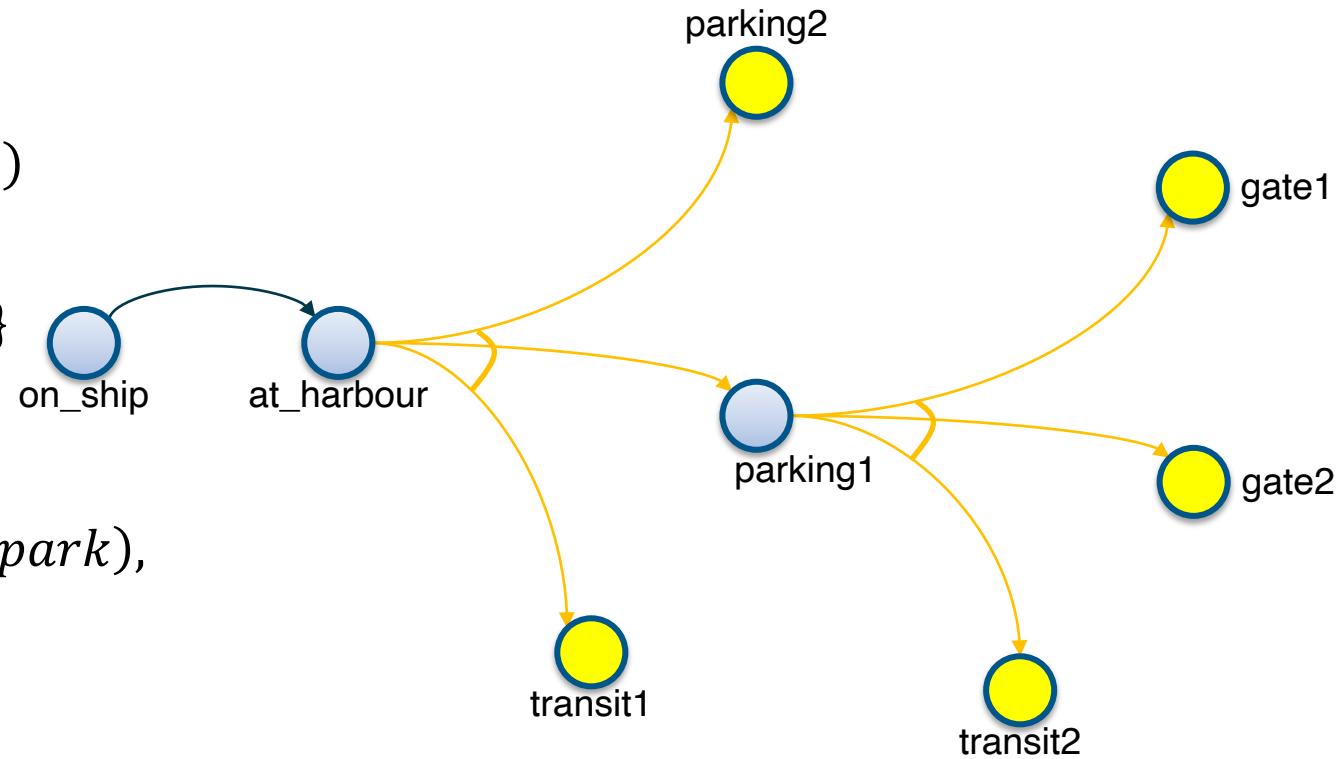
Definitions Over Policies

- 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 $\text{Graph}(s, \pi) = (V, E)$
 - $V = \hat{\gamma}(s, \pi)$
 - $E = \{(s', s'') \mid s' \in V, s'' \in \gamma(s', \pi(s'))\}$
- Example
 - $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$
 - $\text{Graph}(on_ship, \pi_1)$



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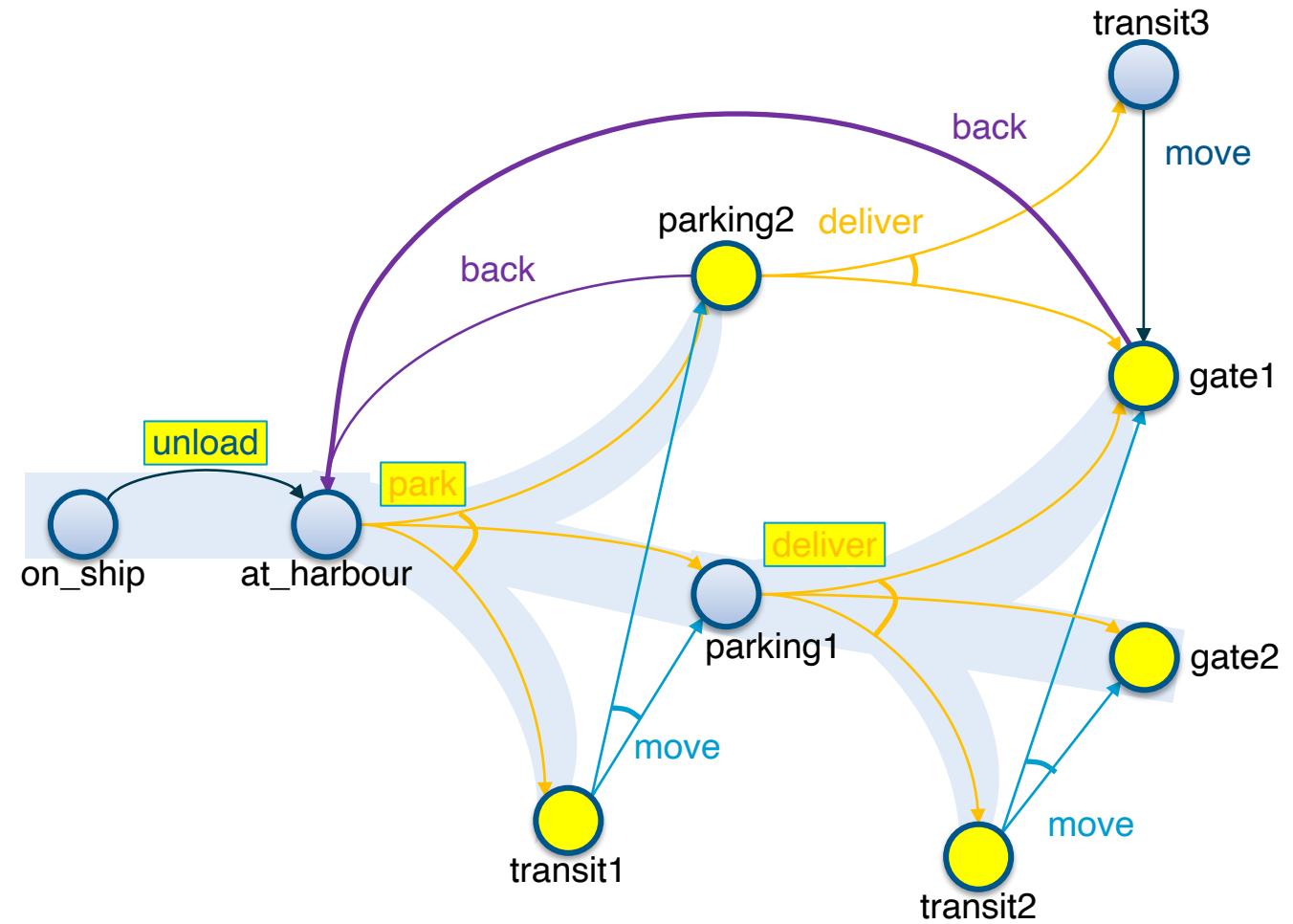
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 - $E = \{(s', s'') \mid s' \in V, s'' \in \gamma(s', \pi(s'))\}$
- $leaves(s, \pi) = \hat{\gamma}(s, \pi) \setminus Dom(\pi)$
- Example:
 - $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$
 - $leaves(on_ship, \pi_1)$ in bright 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
```

- $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$



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)

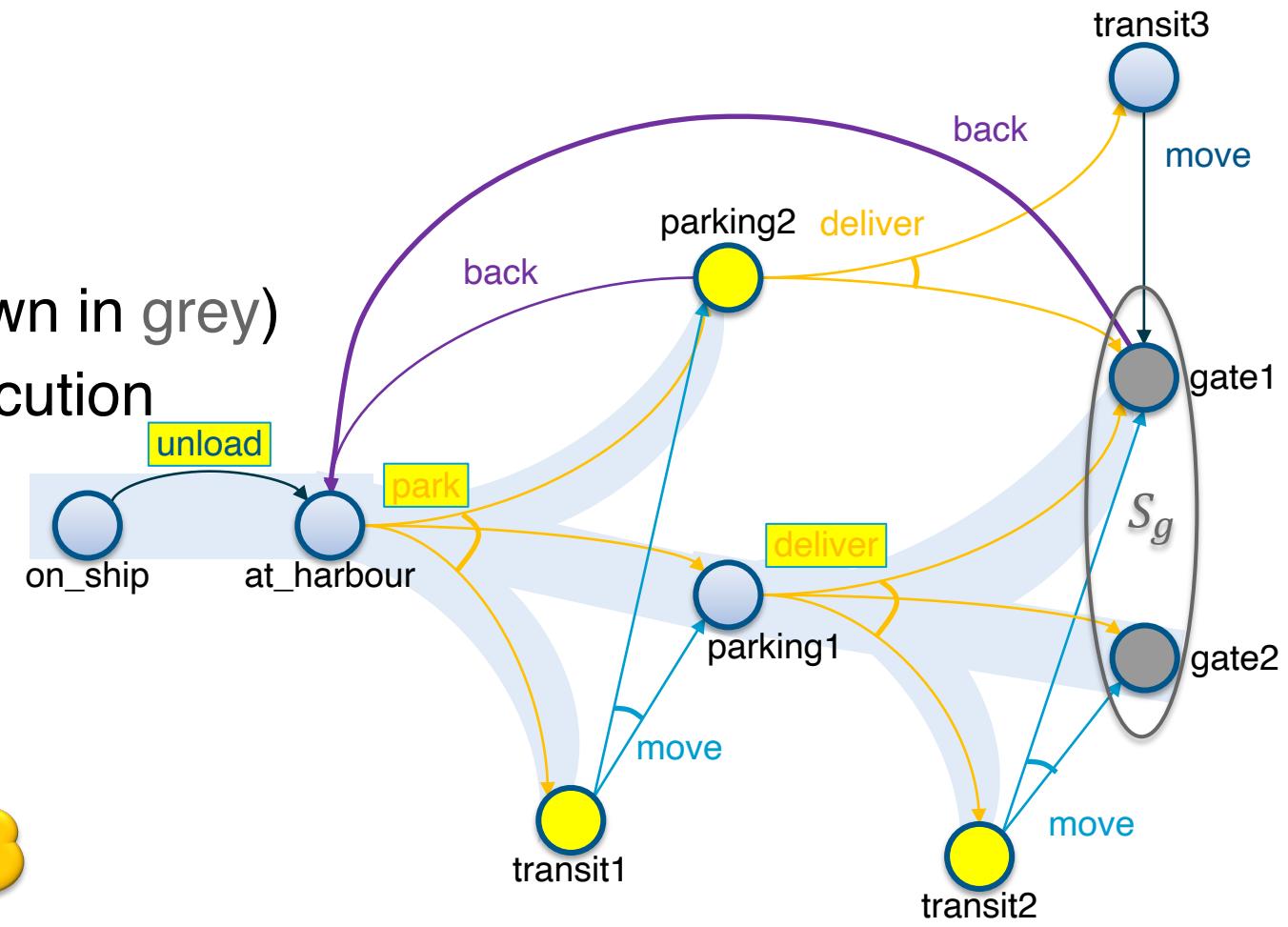
- π is a **solution** if at least one execution ends at a goal

- $\text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \cap S_g \neq \emptyset$

- Example

- $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver)\}$

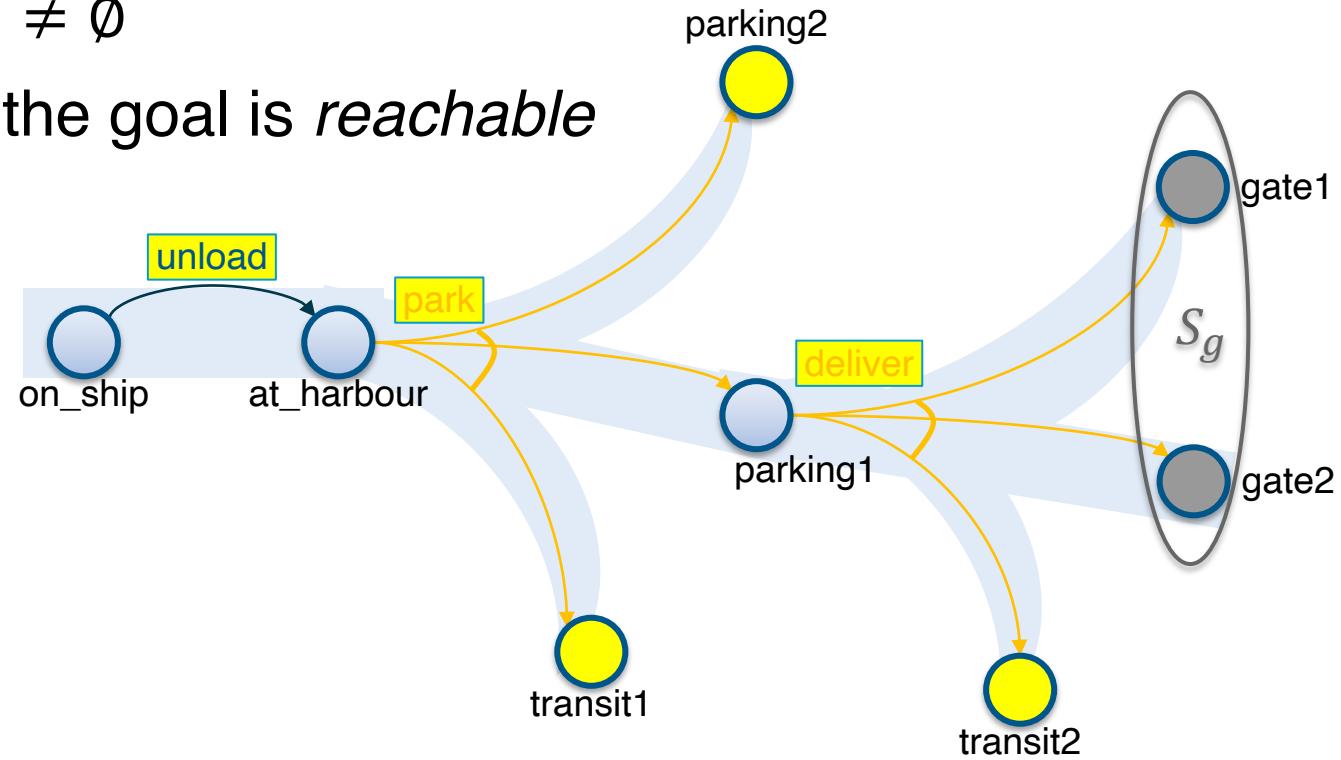
Is π_1 a solution?



Safe Solutions

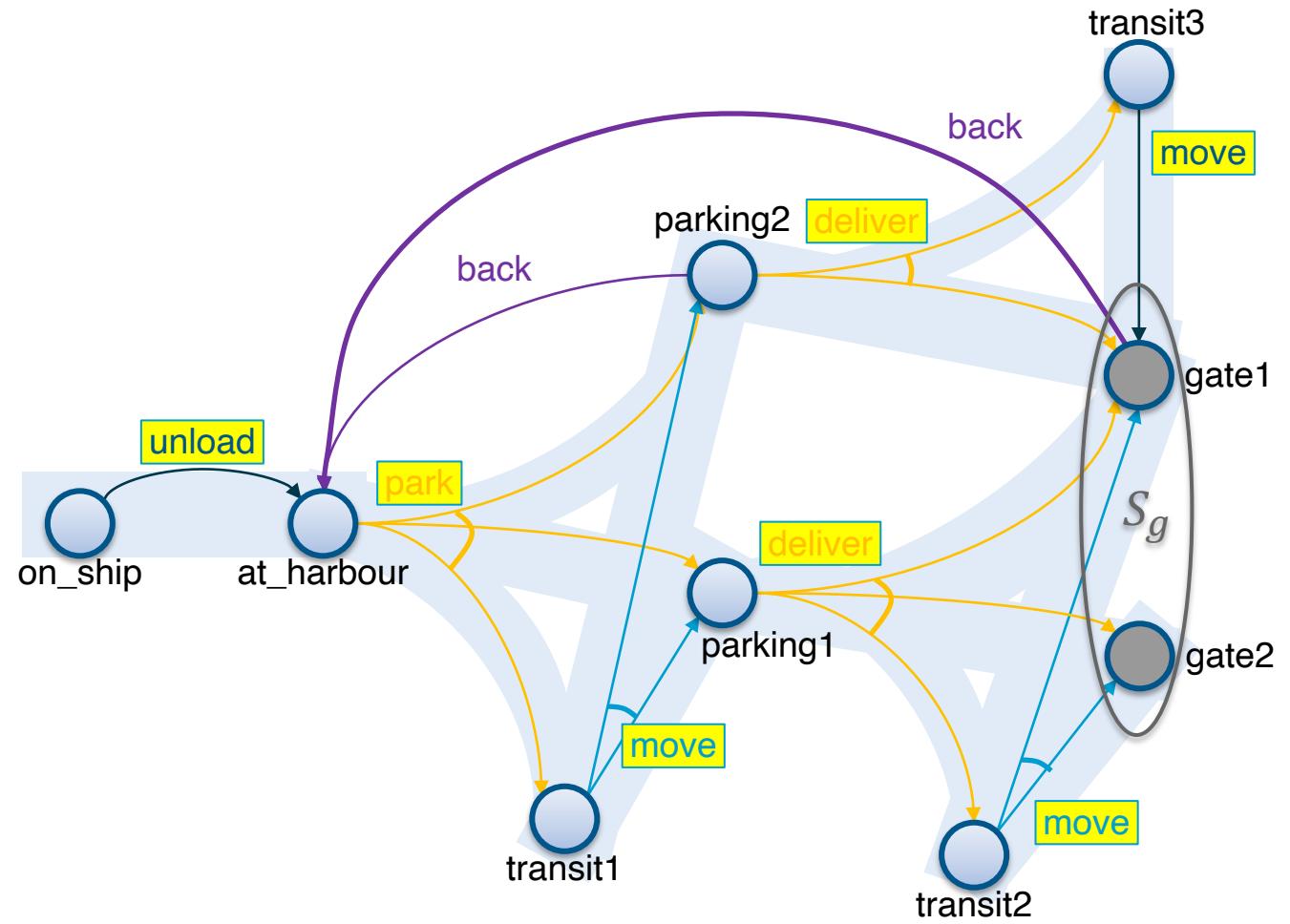
- A solution π is **safe** if
$$\forall s \in \hat{\gamma}(s_0, \pi), \\ leaves(s, \pi) \cap S_g \neq \emptyset$$
 - at every node of $Graph(s_0, \pi)$, the goal is *reachable*
- Otherwise, **unsafe**
- Example
 - $\pi_1 = \{(on_ship, unload),\\ (at_harbor, park),\\ (parking1, deliver)\}$

Is π_1 safe?



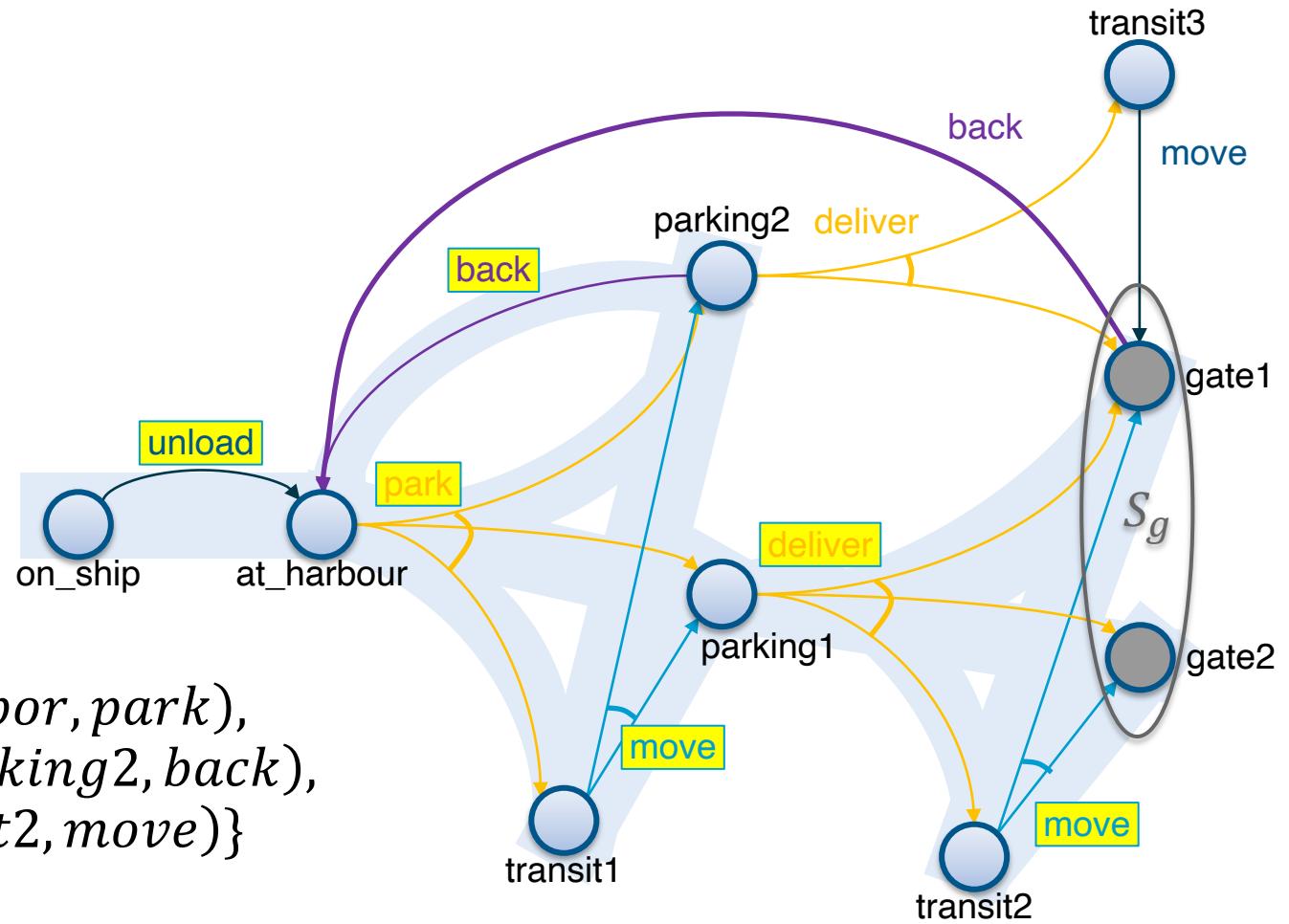
Safe Solutions

- $\pi_2 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, deliver), (transit1, move), (transit2, move), (transit3, move)\}$
- **Acyclic** safe solution
 - $Graph(s_0, \pi)$ is acyclic and
 - $leaves(s_0, \pi) \subseteq S_g$
- Guaranteed to reach a goal

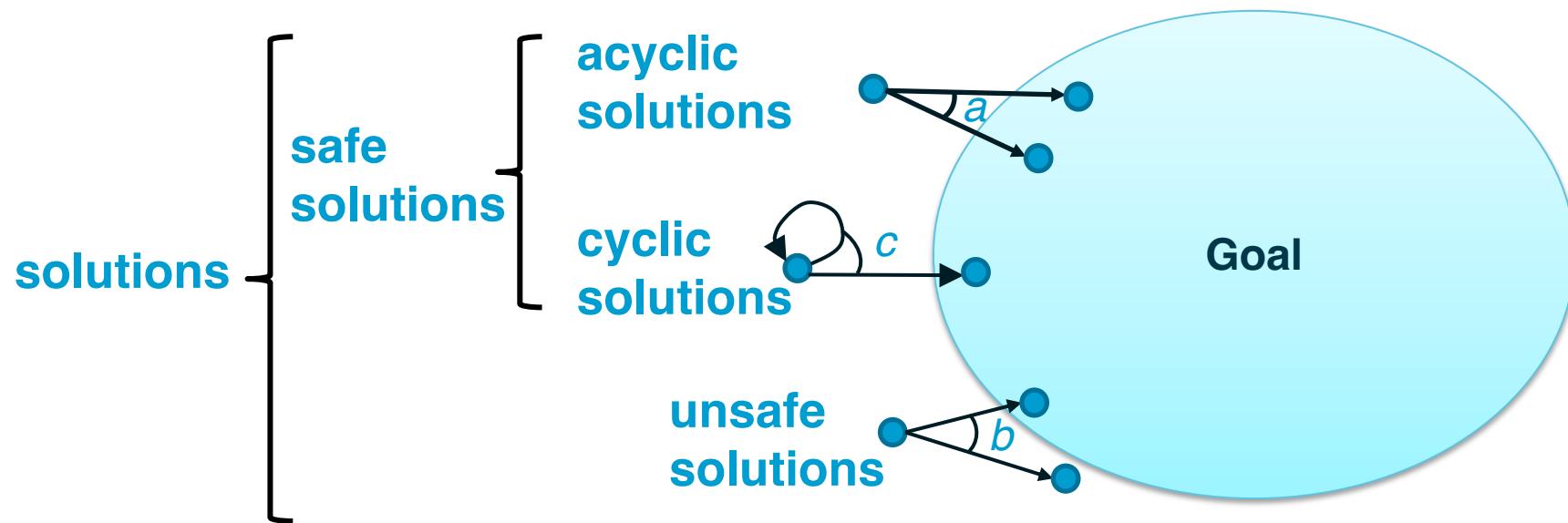


Safe Solutions

- **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
- Example
 - $\pi_3 = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (parking2, back), (transit1, move), (transit2, move)\}$



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

- Input: planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)

```
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  $s' \in \text{Visited}$  then
            return failure
         $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
        Visited  $\leftarrow \text{Visited} \cup \{s'\}$ 
         $s \leftarrow s'$ 
```

```
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  $a \in A'$ 
         $s \leftarrow \gamma(s, a)$ 
         $\pi \leftarrow \pi.a$ 
```

Decide which state to plan for

Cycle-checking

For comparison: Forward-search with *deterministic* models



Example

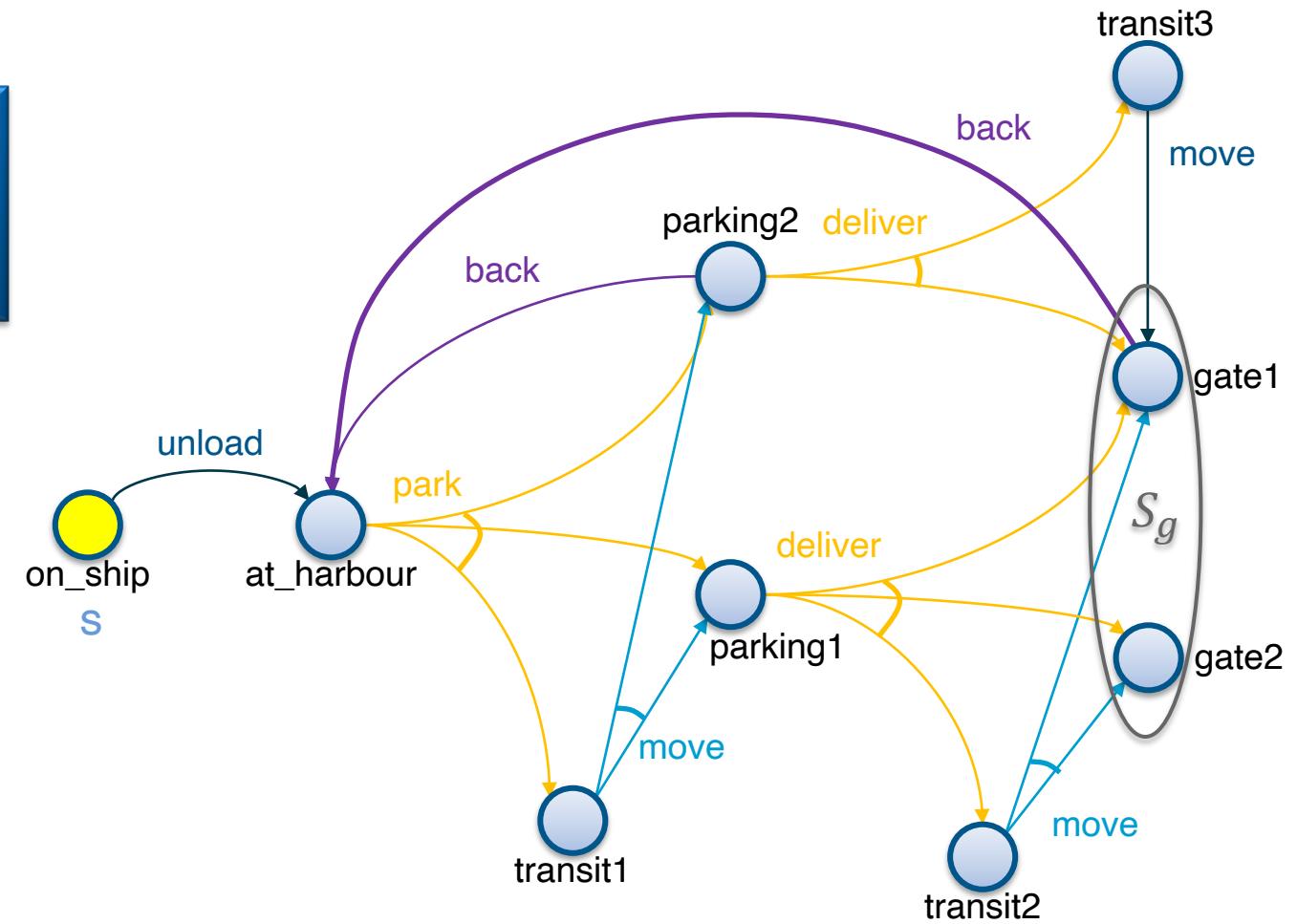
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Find-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
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     $s \leftarrow s_0$   
     $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$   
    Visited  $\leftarrow \{s_0\}$   
    ...
```

$s = \text{on_ship}$

$\pi = \{\}$

$\text{Visited} = \{\text{on_ship}\}$



Example

`Find-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)`

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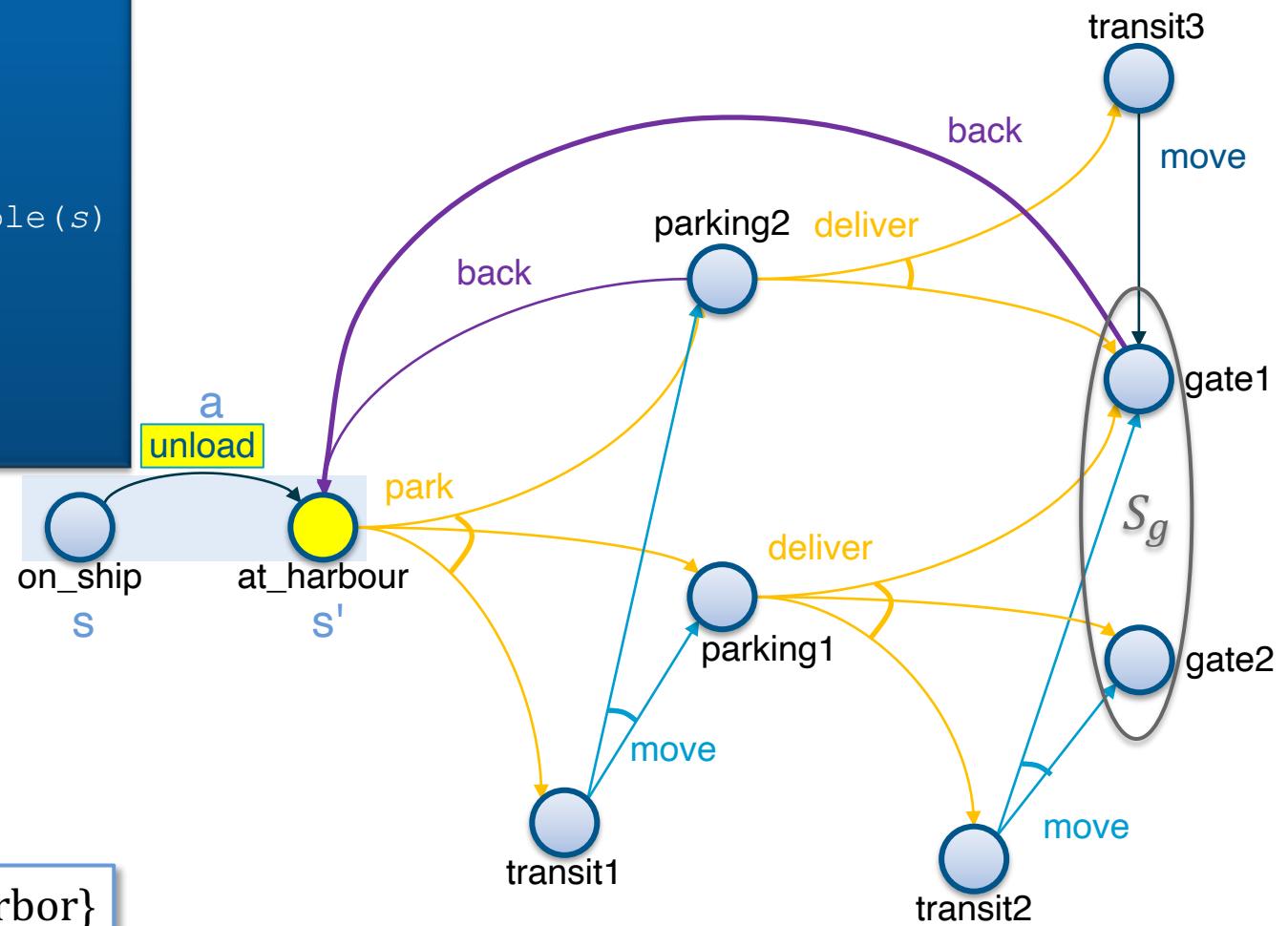
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  ...
   $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
  Visited  $\leftarrow$  Visited  $\cup \{s'\}$ 
   $s \leftarrow s'$ 

```

$s = \text{on_ship}$, $a = \text{unload}$
 $\gamma(s, a) = \{\text{at_harbor}\}$
 $s' = \text{at_harbor}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload})\}$

$\text{Visited} = \{\text{on_ship}, \text{at_harbor}\}$



Example

`Find-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)`

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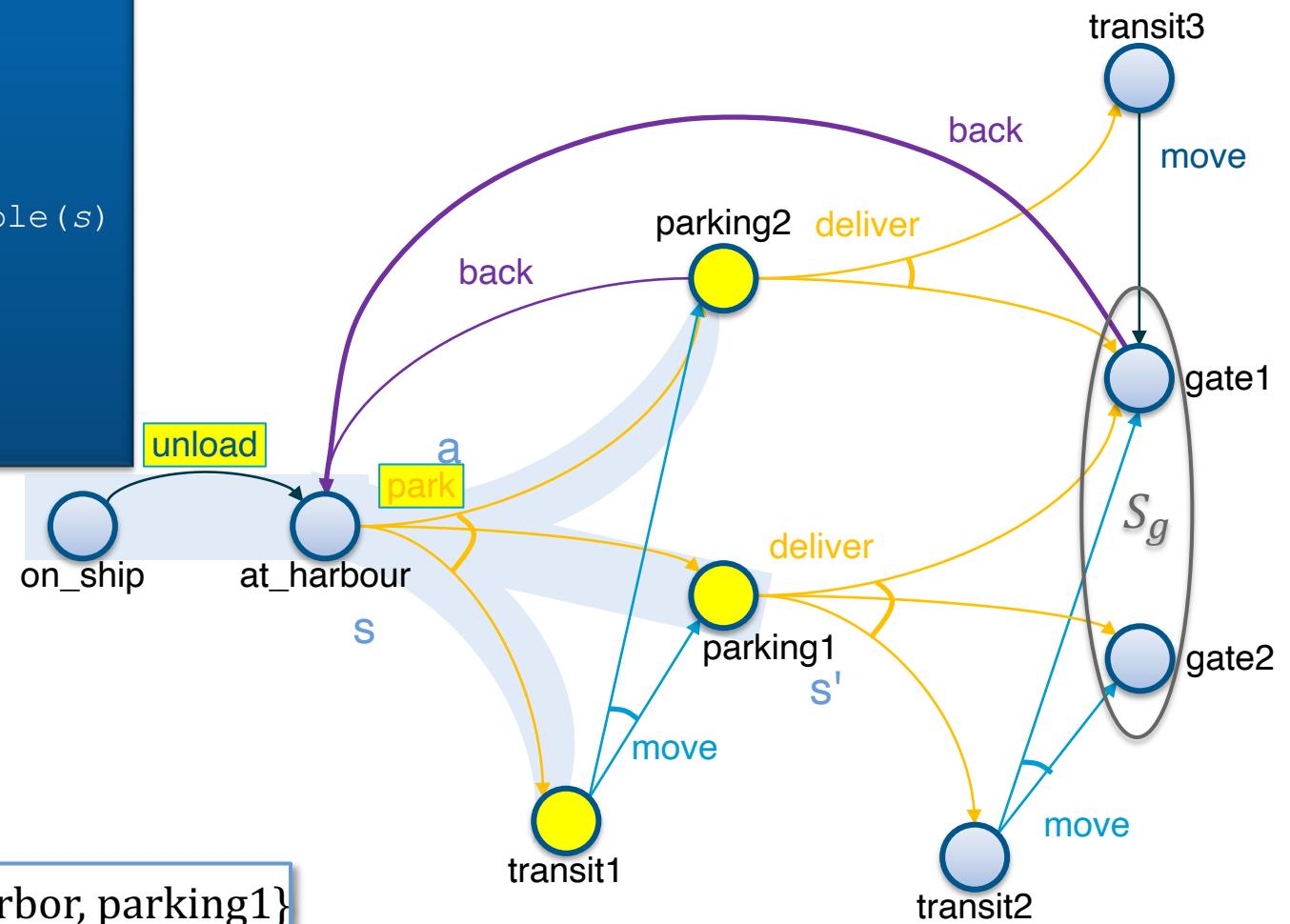
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  ...
   $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
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   $s \leftarrow s'$ 

```

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

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload}), (\text{at_harbor}, \text{park})\}$

$\text{Visited} = \{\text{on_ship}, \text{at_harbor}, \text{parking1}\}$



Example

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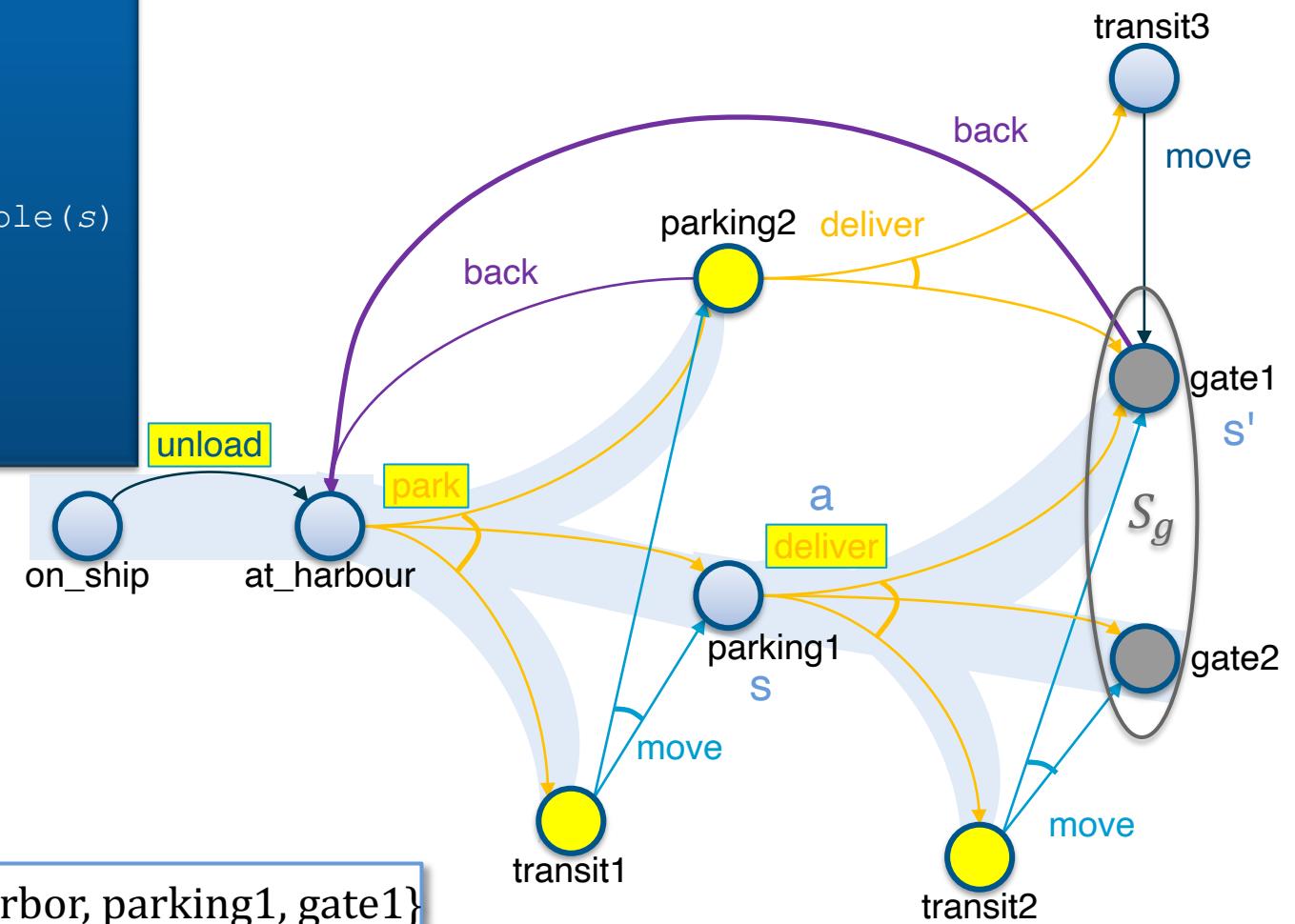
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  ...
   $\pi(s) \leftarrow a$ 
  Visited  $\leftarrow$  Visited  $\cup \{s'\}$ 
   $s \leftarrow s'$ 

```

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

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload}),$
 $(\text{at_harbor}, \text{park}),$
 $(\text{parking1}, \text{deliver})\}$

$\text{Visited} = \{\text{on_ship}, \text{at_harbor}, \text{parking1}, \text{gate1}\}$



Example

`Find-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)`

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...
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  nondeterministically choose  $a \in \text{Applicable}(s)$ 
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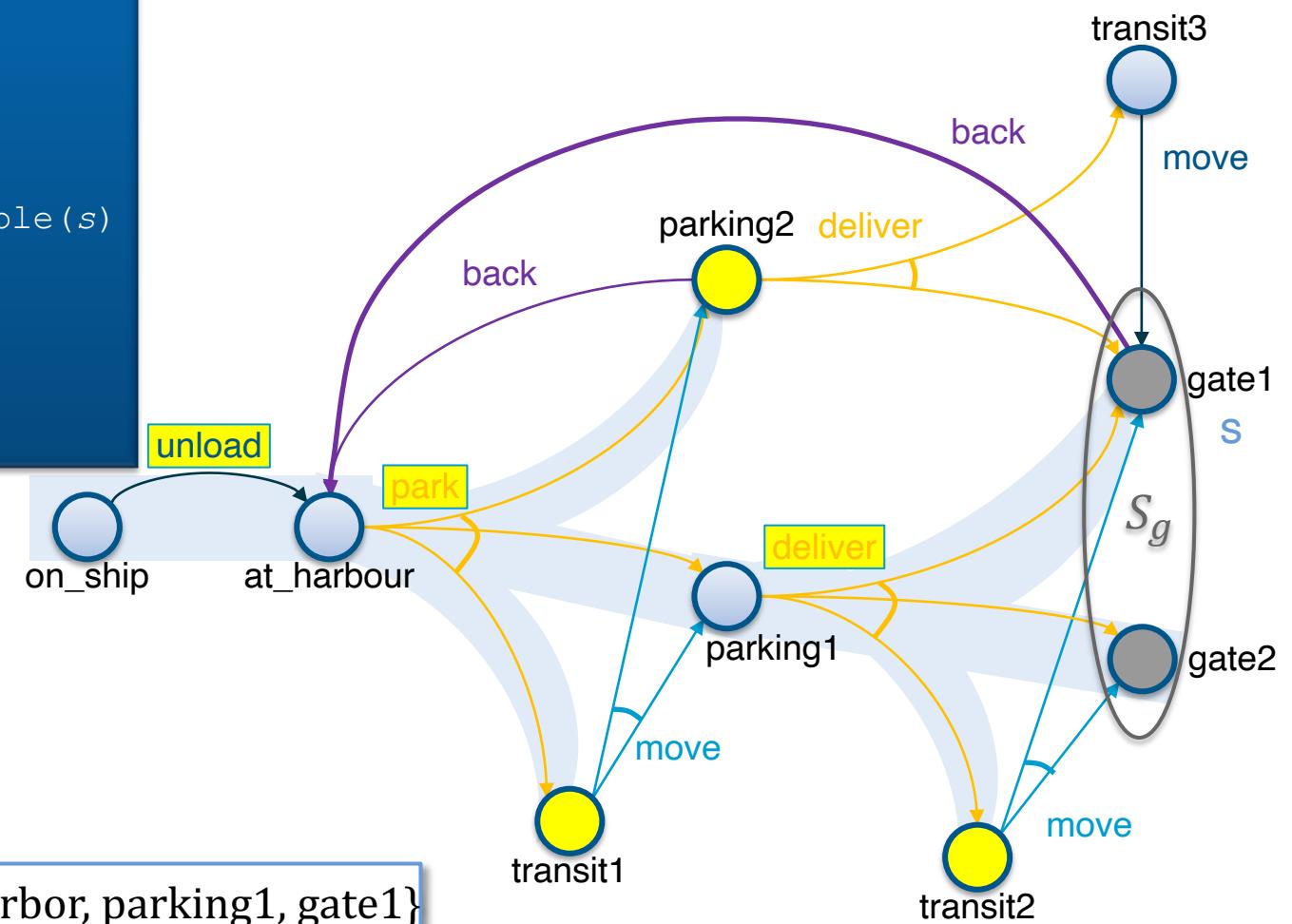
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$s = \text{gate1}$

Gate1 is a goal,
so return π

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver)\}$

$Visited = \{on_ship, at_harbor, parking1, gate1\}$



Finding Acyclic Safe Solutions

- Check for cycles
 - For each $s' \in (\gamma(s, a) \cap \text{Dom}(\pi))$
 - Is $s' \in \hat{\gamma}(s', \pi)$?
 - Formally,
 $\text{has-loops}(\pi, s, \text{Frontier})$ 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

Keep track of unexpanded states, like in A*

Add all outcomes that π does not already handle

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

Input

- Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)

Example

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Find-Acyclic-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
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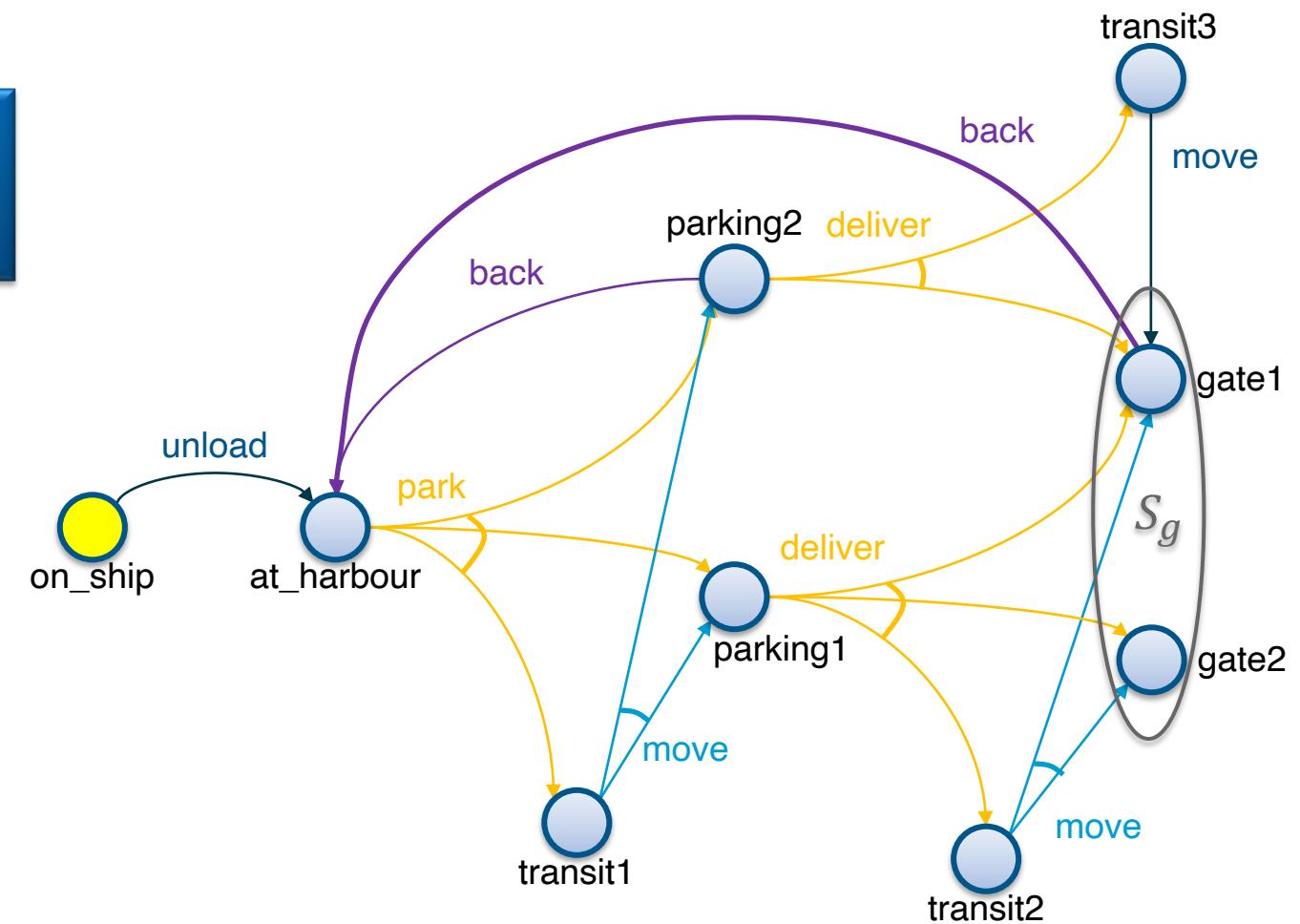
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   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
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  Frontier  $\leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
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  ...
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Frontier  $\setminus S_g = \{\text{on\_ship}\}$ 
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 $\pi = \{\}$ 
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Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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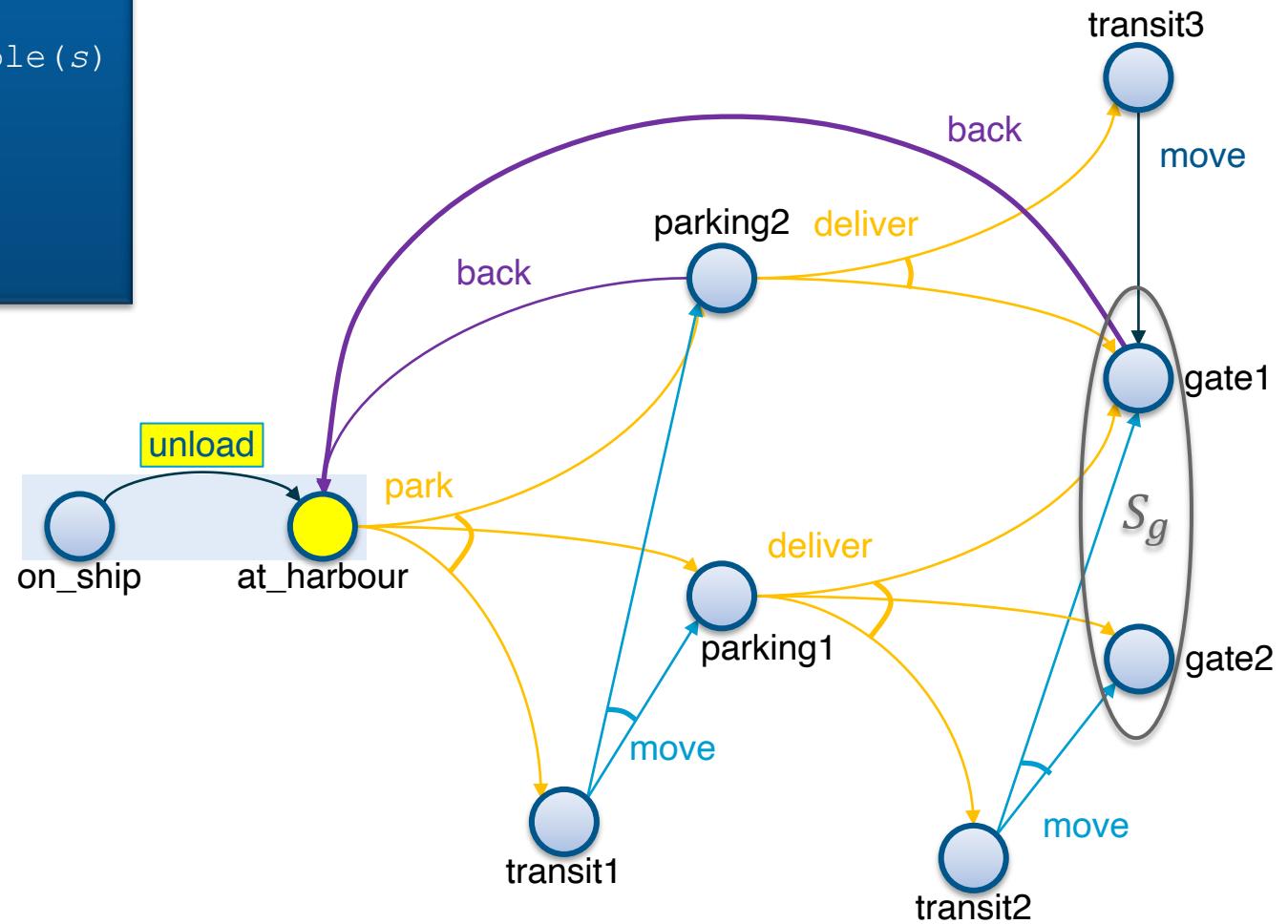
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    if has-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
    return  $\pi$ 

```

$s = \text{on_ship}$

$\text{Frontier} \setminus S_g = \{\text{at_harbor}\}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload})\}$



Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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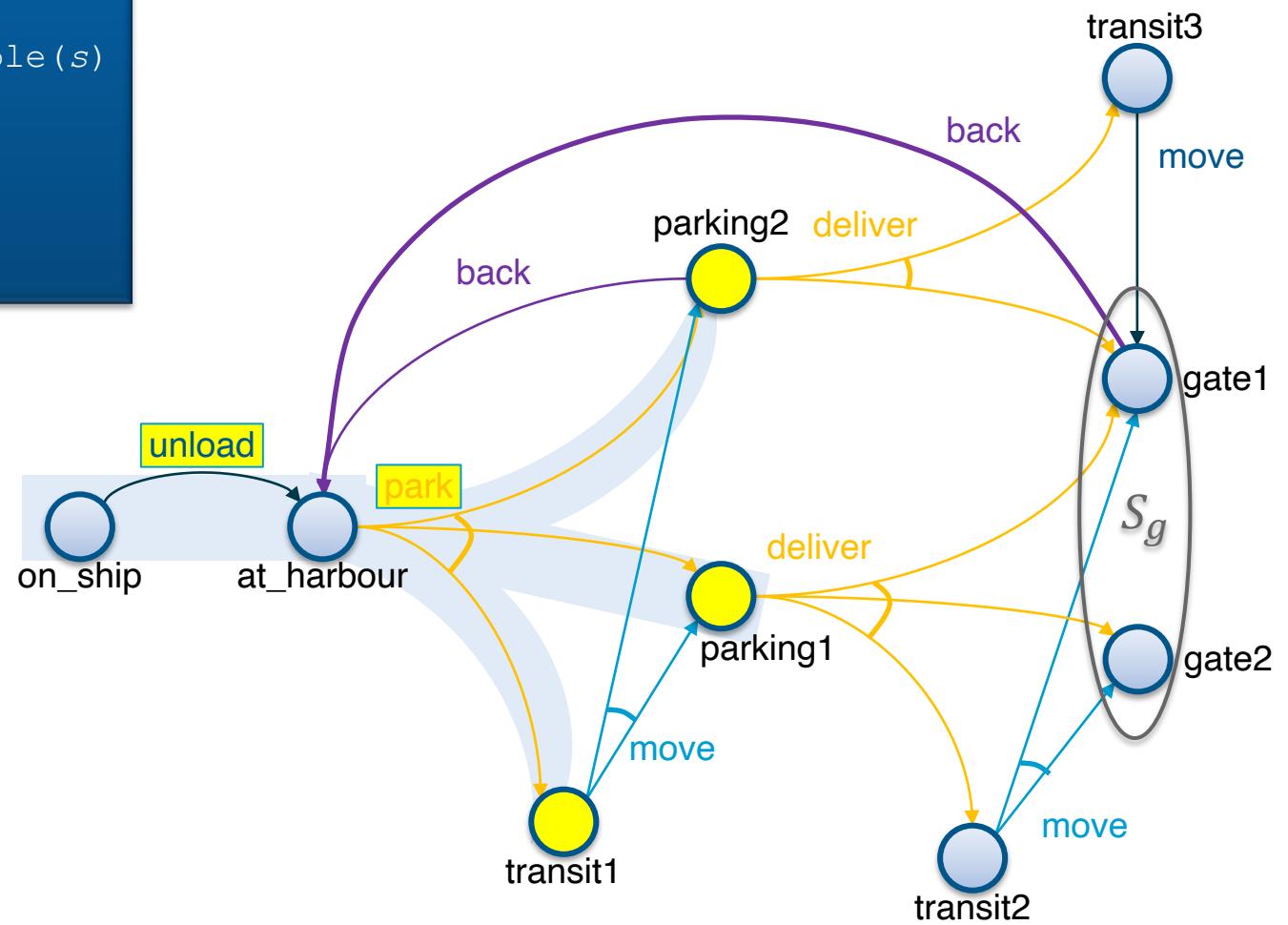
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    if has-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
return  $\pi$ 

```

$s = \text{at_harbor}$

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

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload}),$
 $(\text{at_harbor}, \text{park})\}$



Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

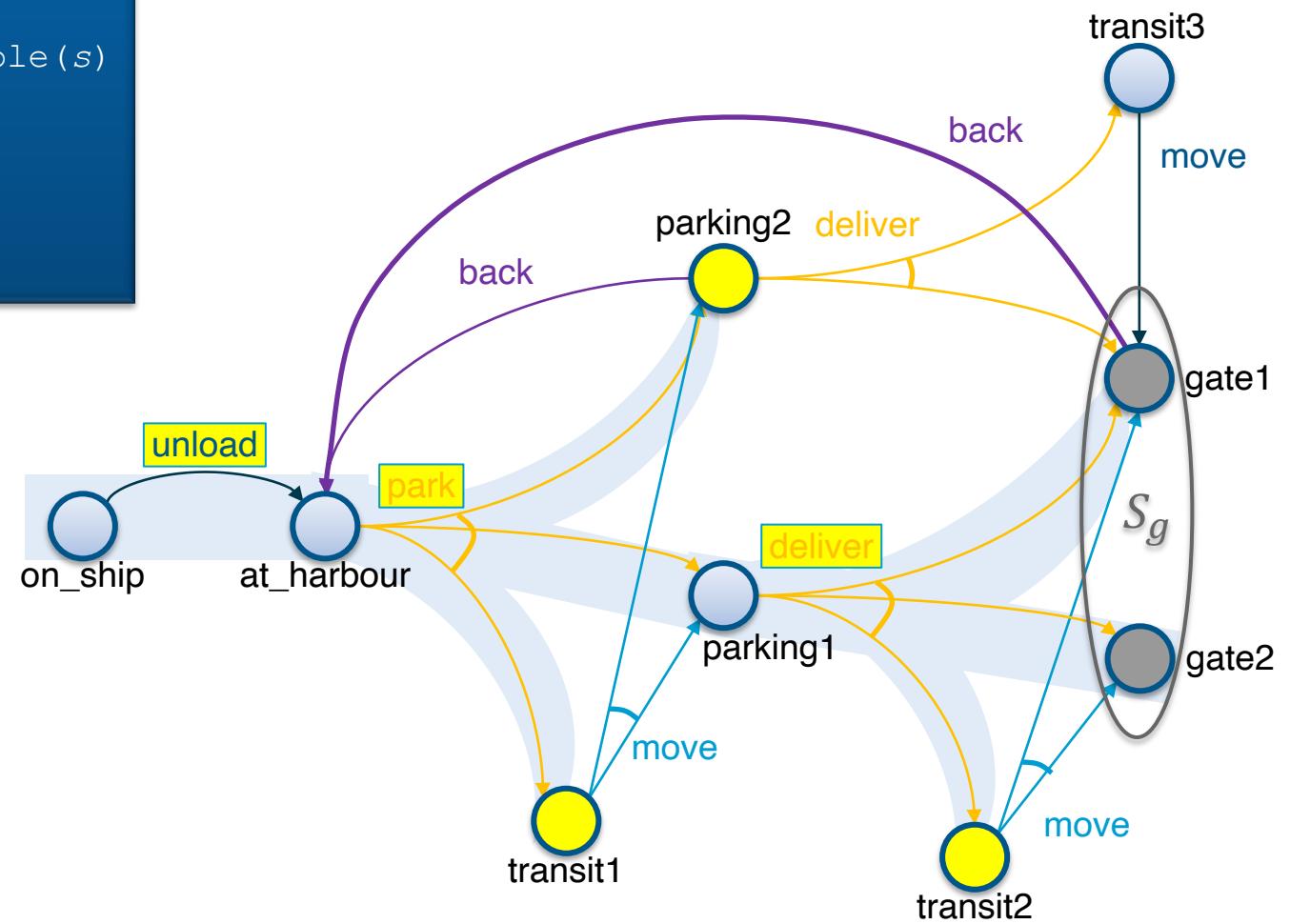
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$s = \text{parking1}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
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        return failure
return  $\pi$ 

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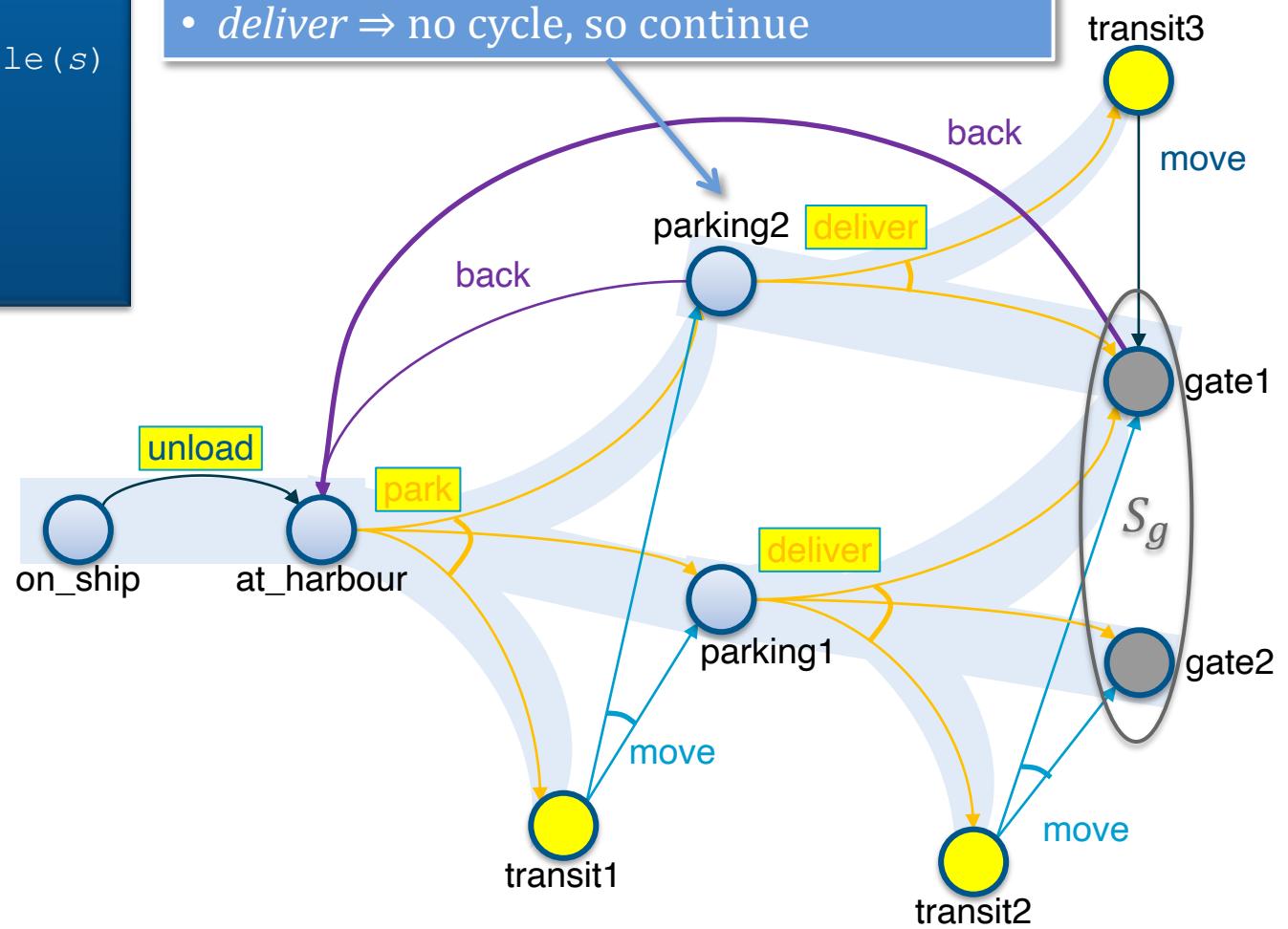
$s = \text{parking2}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver),$
 $(parking2, deliver)\}$

nondeterministically choose *back* or *deliver*

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



Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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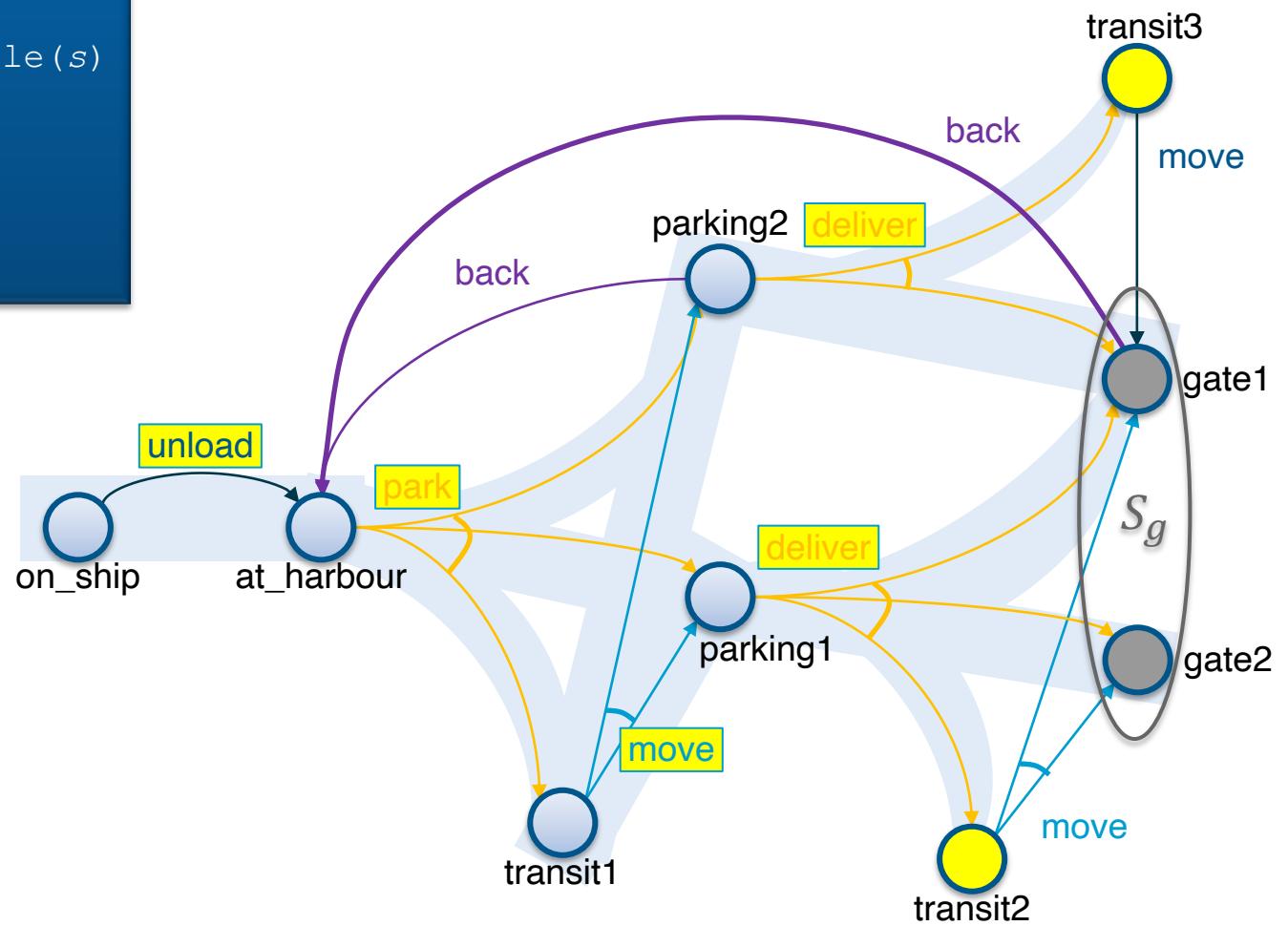
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     $\text{Frontier} \leftarrow \text{Frontier} \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus \text{Dom}(\pi))$ 
    if has-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
    return  $\pi$ 

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$s = \text{transit1}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver),$
 $(parking2, deliver),$
 $(transit1, move)\}$



Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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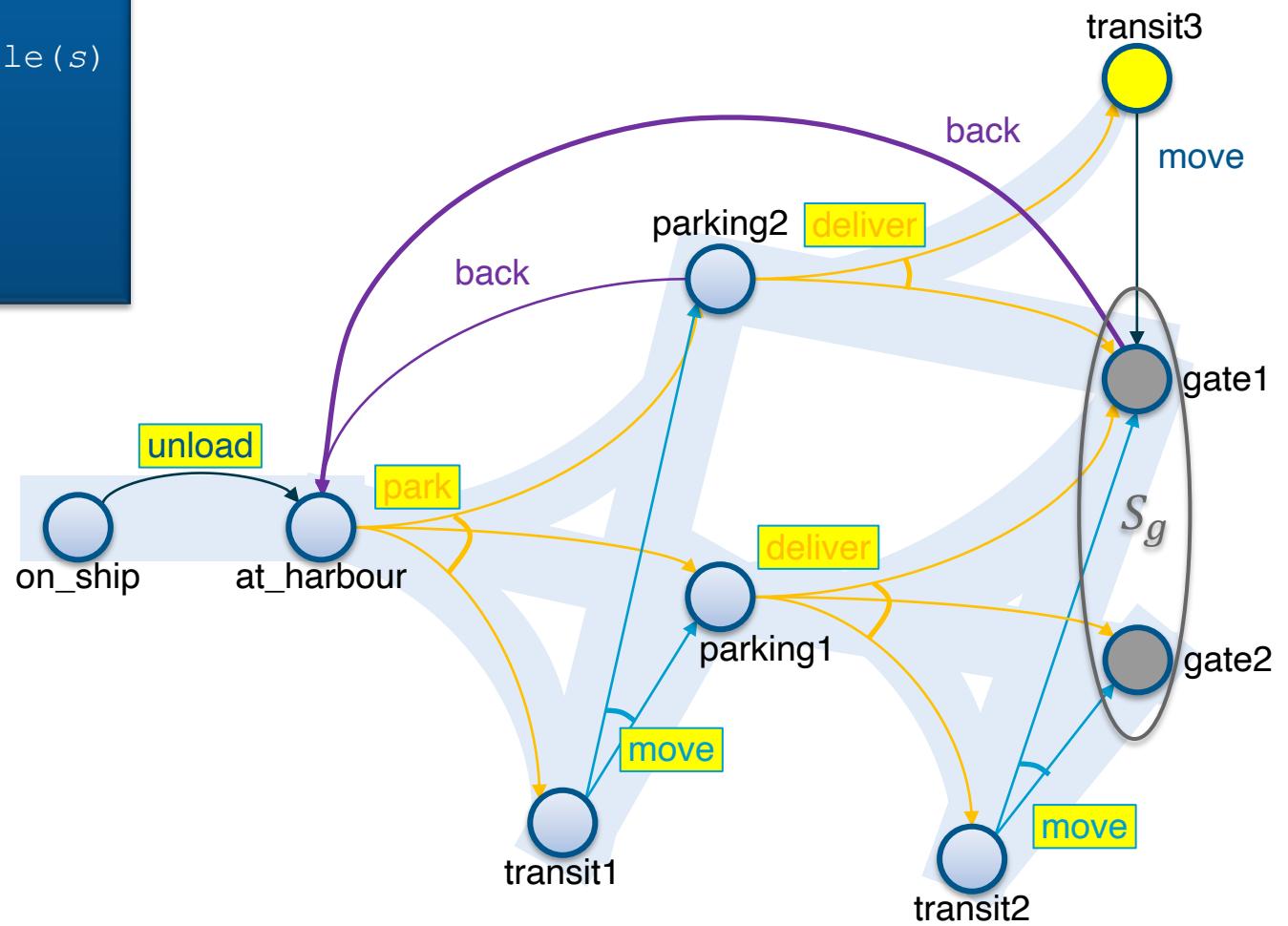
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    return  $\pi$ 

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$s = \text{transit2}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
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Find-Acyclic-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

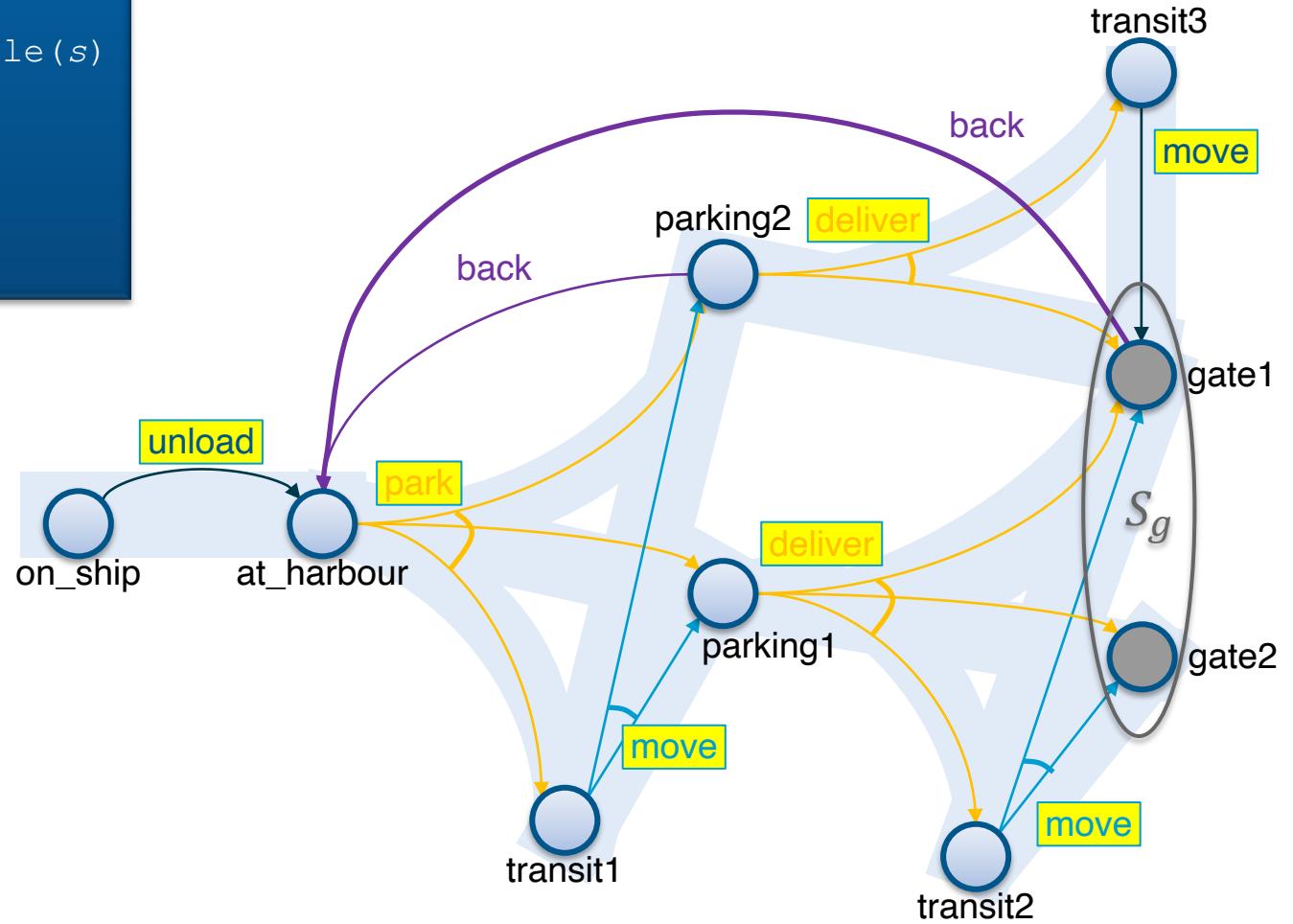
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    if has-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
    return  $\pi$ 
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$s = \text{transit3}$

$\text{Frontier} \setminus S_g = \emptyset$ Found a solution, so return π

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver),$
 $(parking2, deliver),$
 $(transit1, move),$
 $(transit2, move),$
 $(transit3, move)\}$



Finding Safe Solutions

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

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

Different cycle-checking

Input

- Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)

Example

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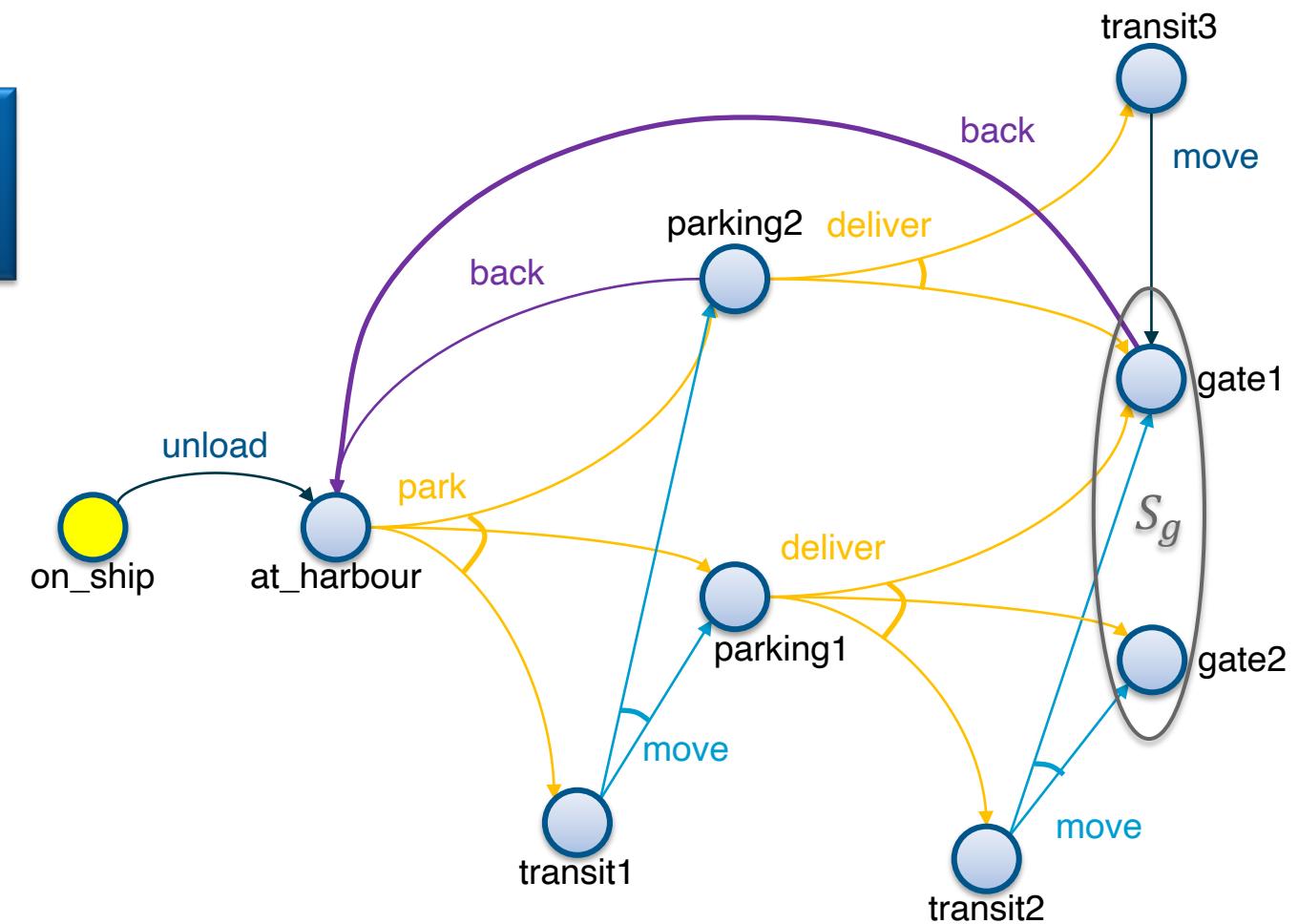
```
   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
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  Frontier  $\leftarrow \{s_0\}$ 
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  ...
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Frontier  $\setminus S_g = \{\text{on\_ship}\}$ 
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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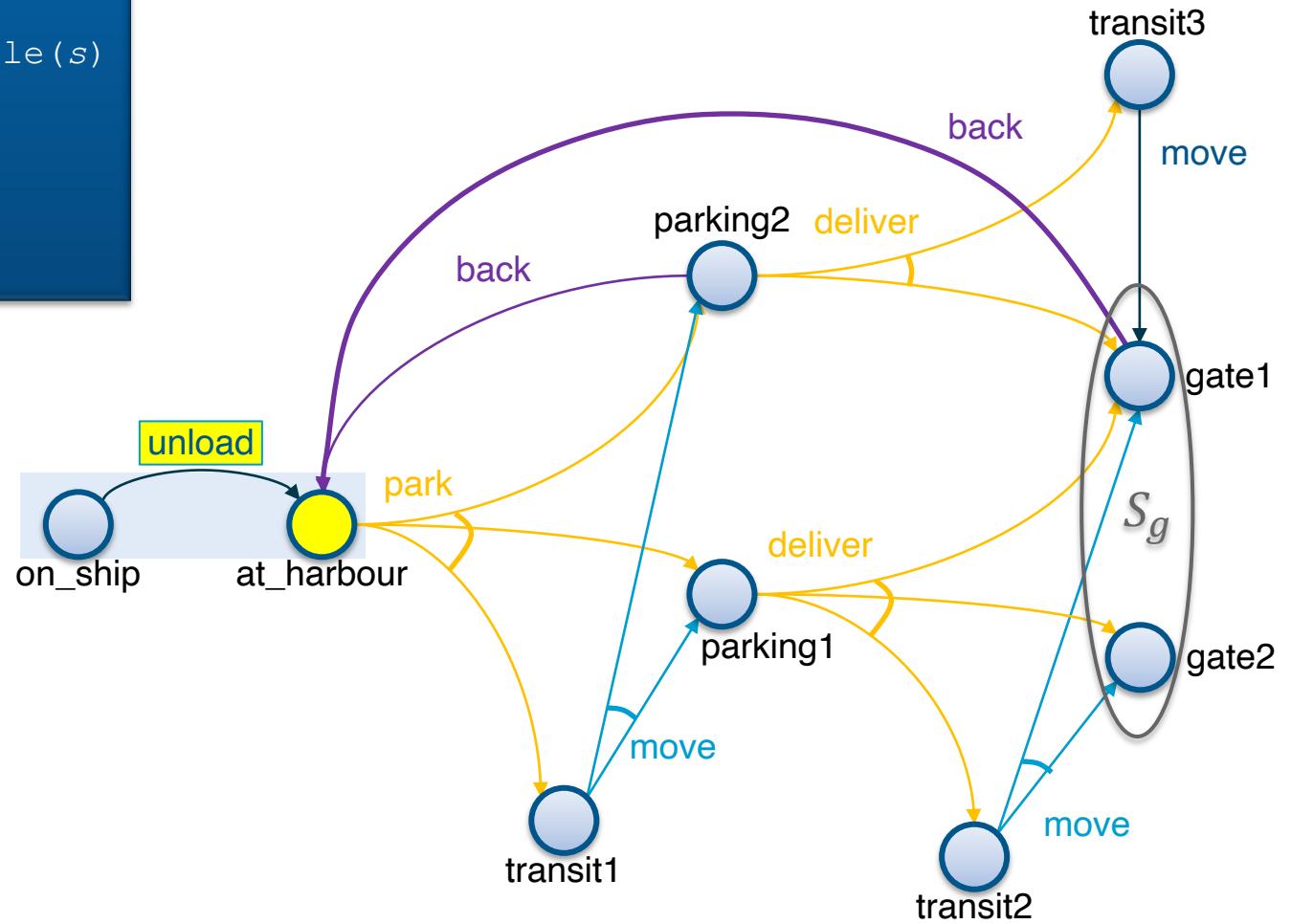
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Find-Safe-Solution( $\Sigma, s_0, S_g$ )
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...
for every  $s \in Frontier \setminus S_g$  do
     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \setminus \{s\}$ 
    ...
    nondeterministically choose  $a \in Applicable(s)$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

$s = \text{on_ship}$

$Frontier \setminus S_g = \{\text{at_harbor}\}$

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload})\}$



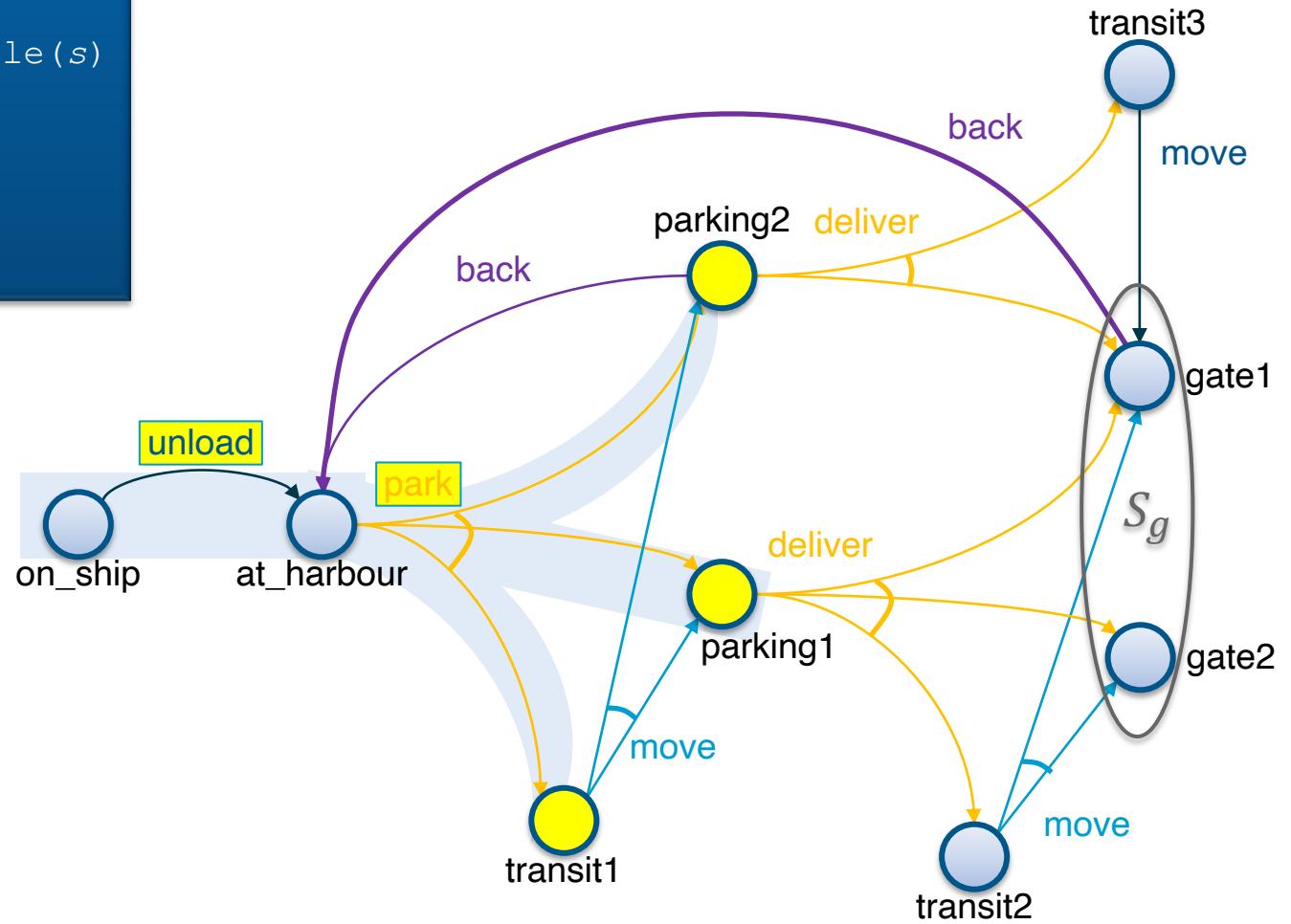
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     $Frontier \leftarrow Frontier \cup (\gamma(s, a) \setminus Dom(\pi))$ 
    if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, Frontier$ ) then
        return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{at_harbor}$

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

$\pi = \{(\text{on_ship}, \text{unload}),$
 $(\text{at_harbor}, \text{park})\}$



Find-Safe-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

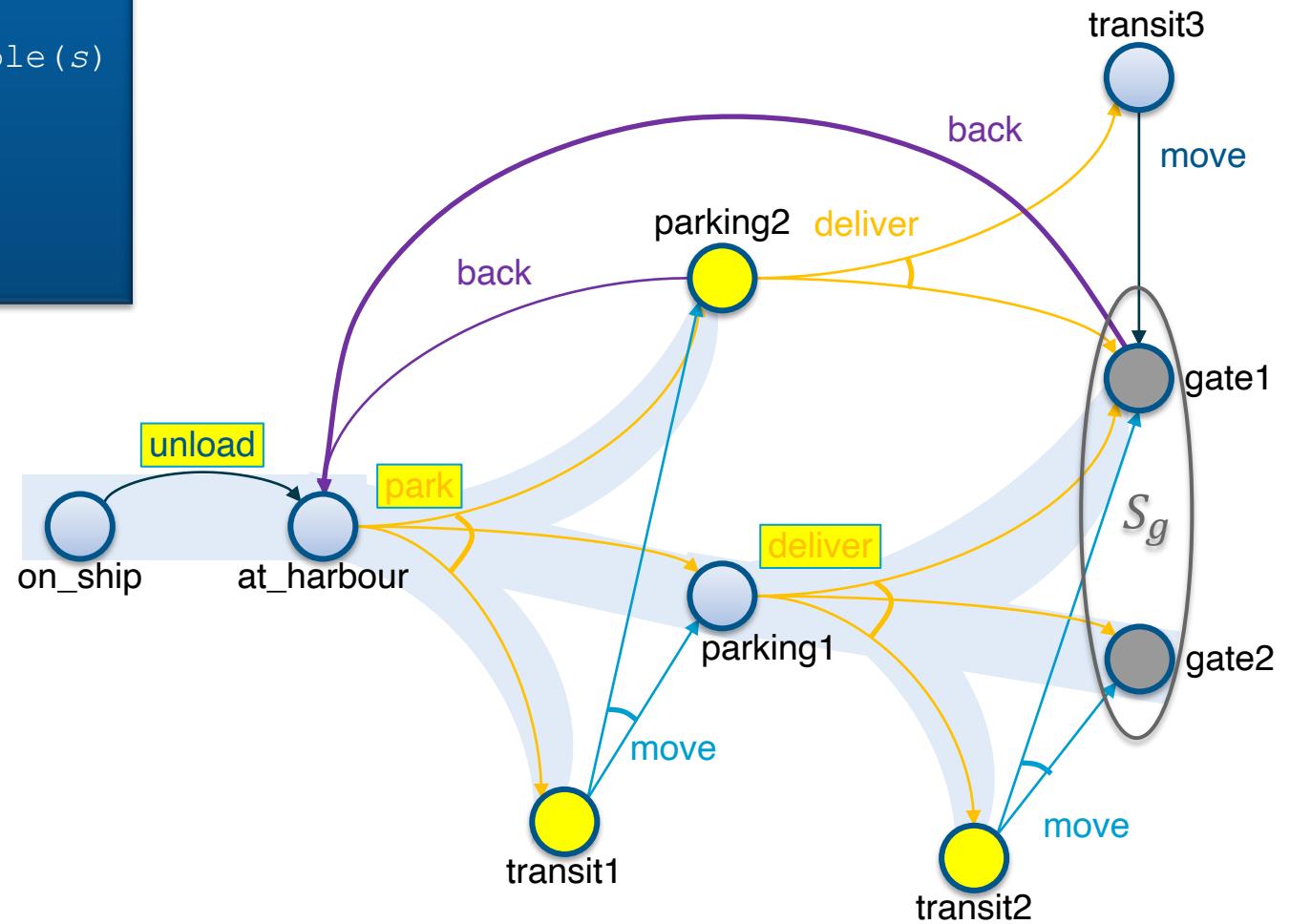
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        return failure
    return  $\pi$ 
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$s = \text{parking1}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver)\}$



Find-Safe-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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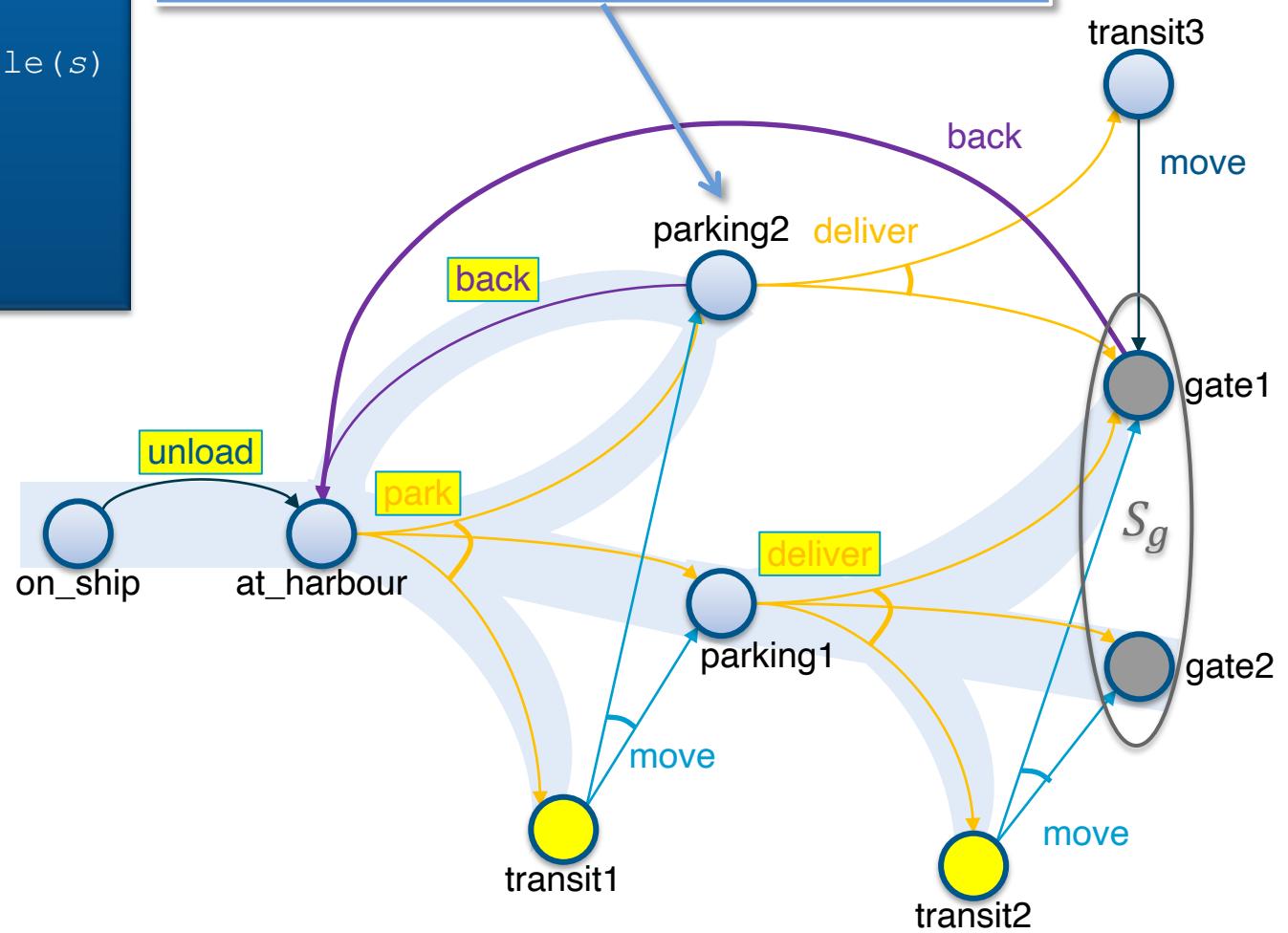
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    if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
return  $\pi$ 
```

$s = \text{parking2}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver),$
 $(parking2, back)\}$

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



Find-Safe-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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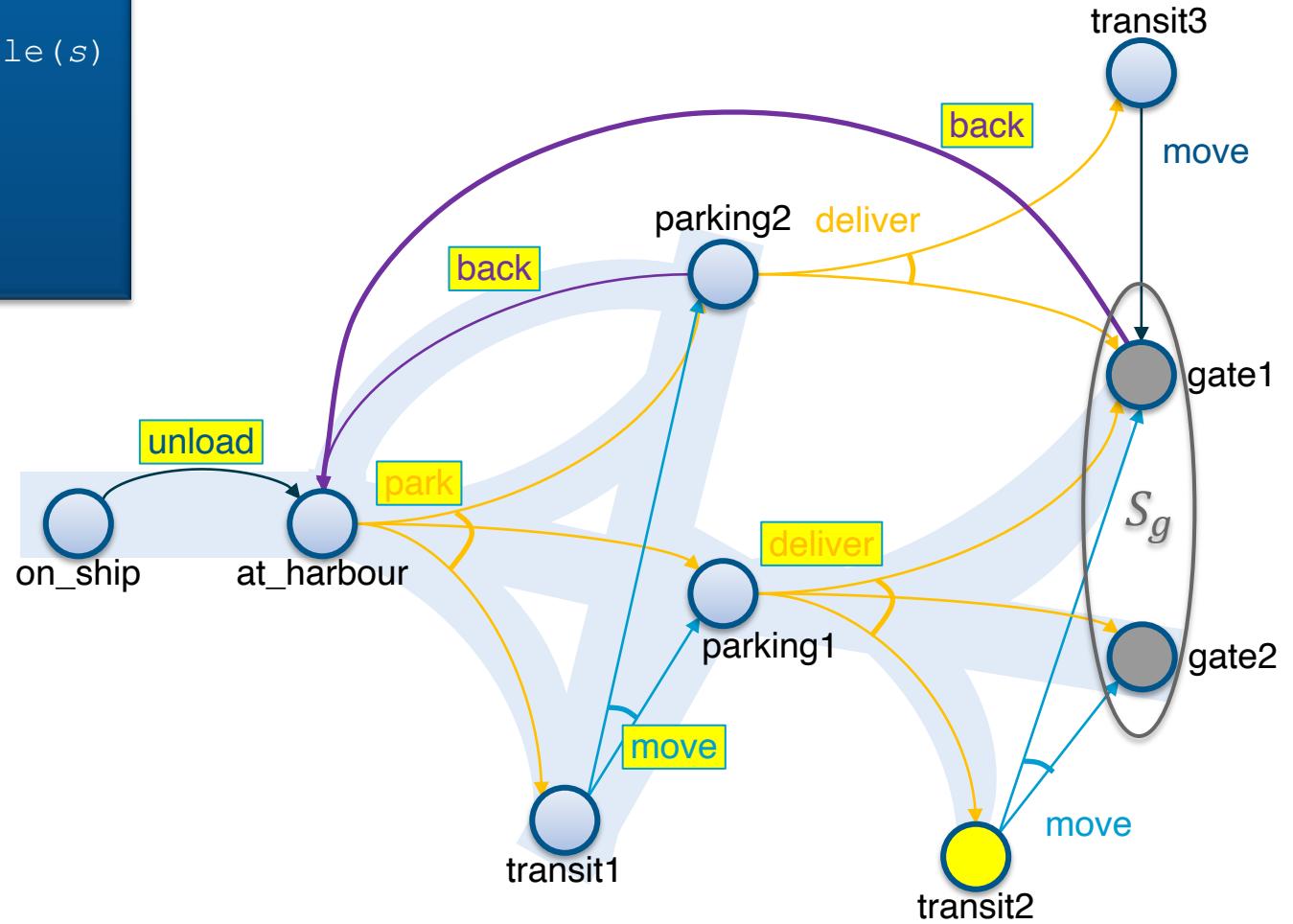
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    if has-unsafe-loops( $\pi, s, \text{Frontier}$ ) then
        return failure
    return  $\pi$ 

```

$s = \text{transit1}$

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

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
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Find-Safe-Solution(Σ, s_0, S_g)

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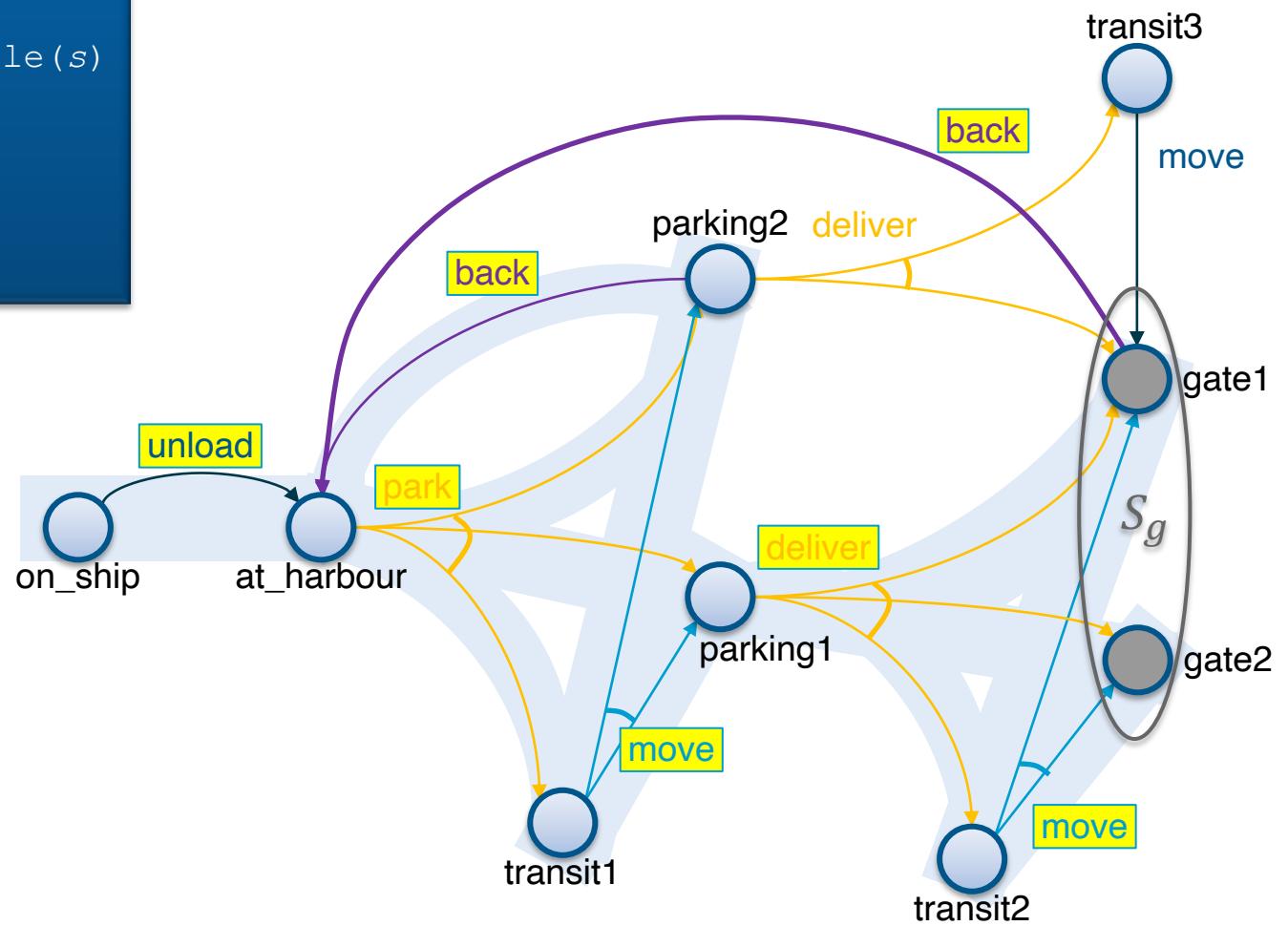
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$s = \text{transit2}$

$\text{Frontier} \setminus S_g = \emptyset$

Found a solution, so return π

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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

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

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- 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 π
 - Look at each leaf node of π
 - If the leaf node is not a goal, find a solution and incorporate it into π



Guided-Find-Safe-Solution

- Input: Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)

π is a solution. Return the part that is reachable from s_0 .

Choose any leaf s that is not a goal. Find a solution π' for s .

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

s is unsolvable. For each (s', a) that can produce s , modify π and Σ so we will never use a at s'

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    return  $\emptyset$ 
  if Applicable( $s_0$ ) =  $\emptyset$  then
    return failure
   $\pi \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
  loop
     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_g$ 
    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
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    else
      for every  $s', a$  s.t.  $s \in \gamma(s', a)$  do
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        make  $a$  not applicable in  $s'$ 
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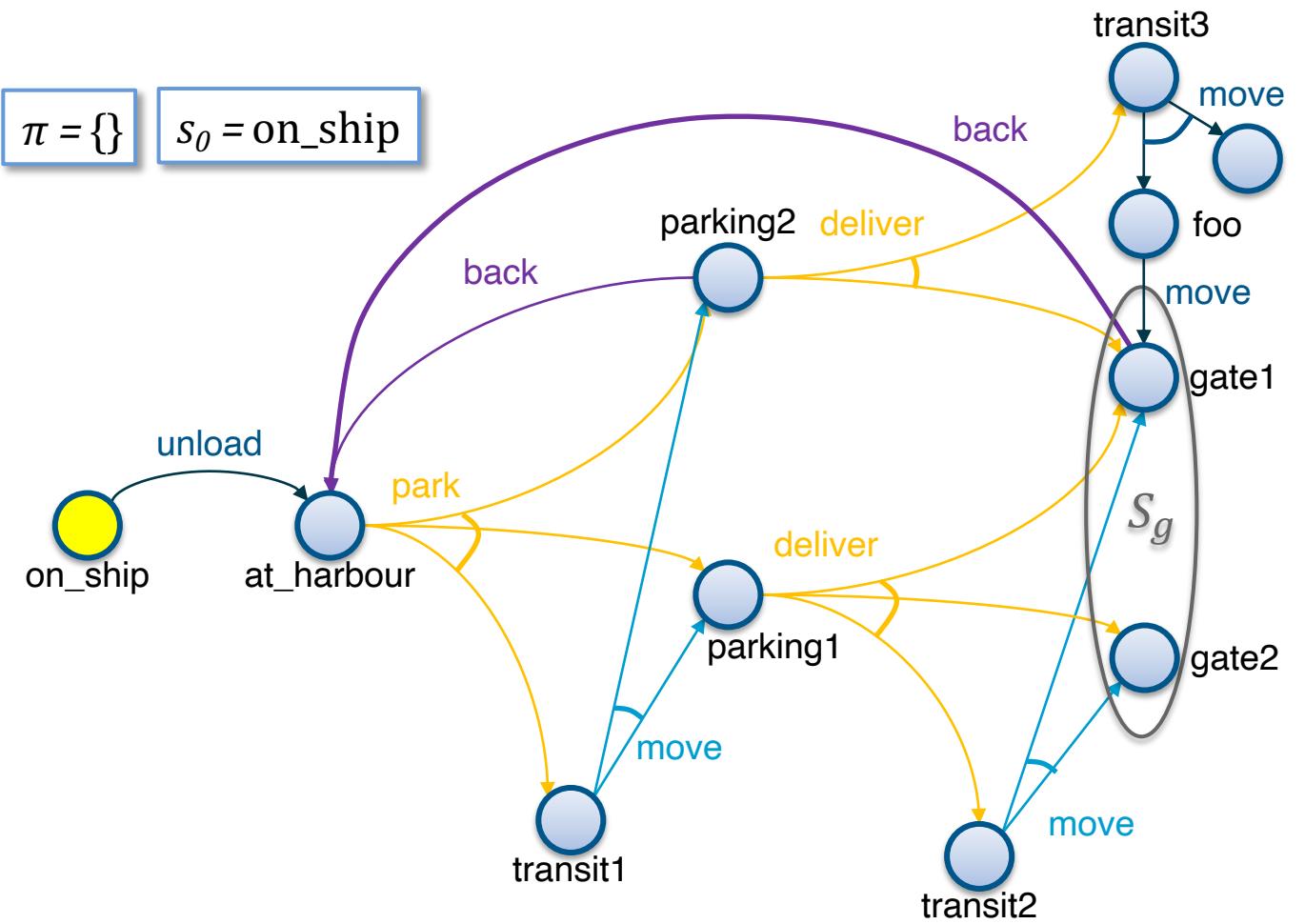
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$$\pi = \{\} \quad s_0 = \text{on_ship}$$

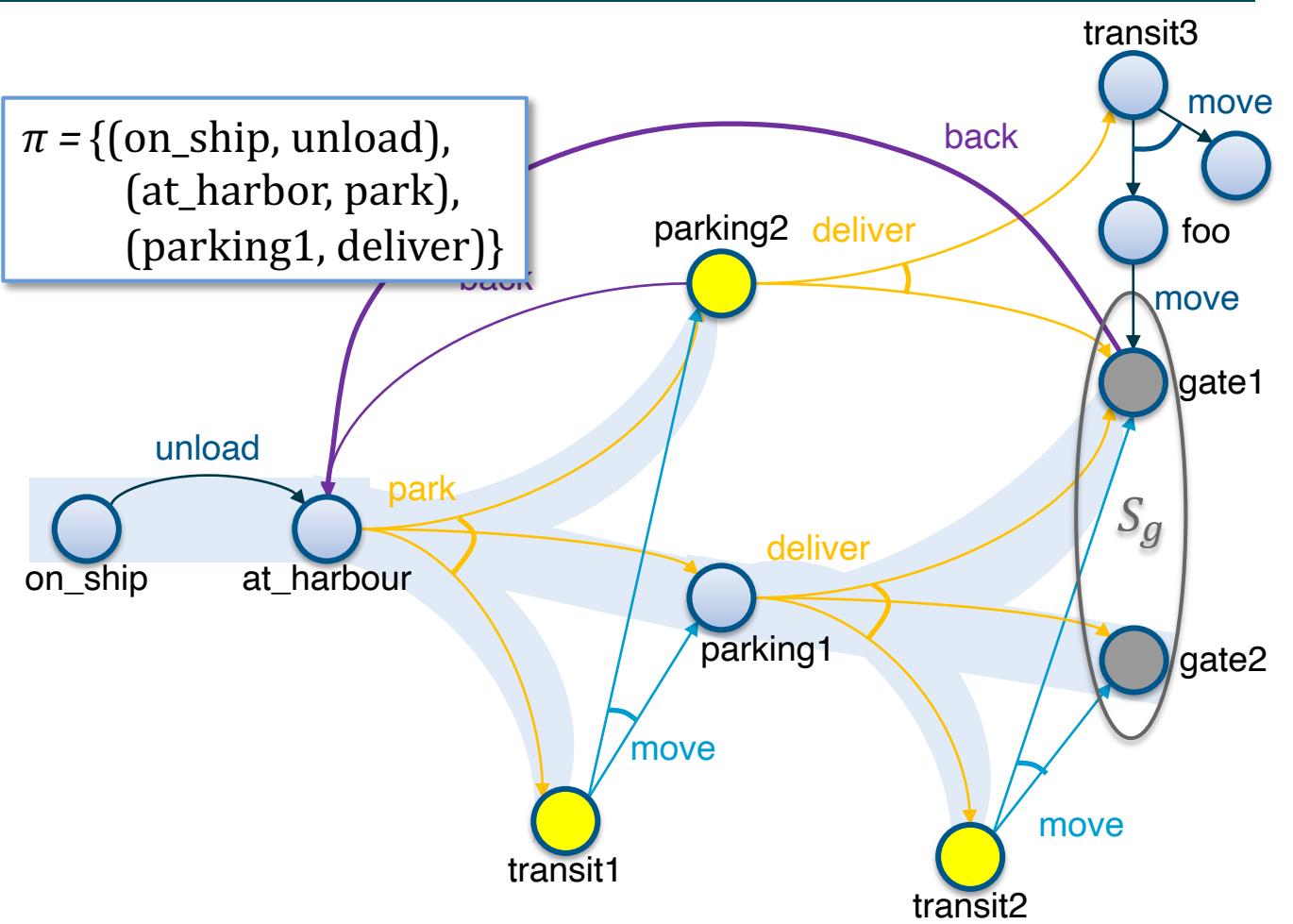


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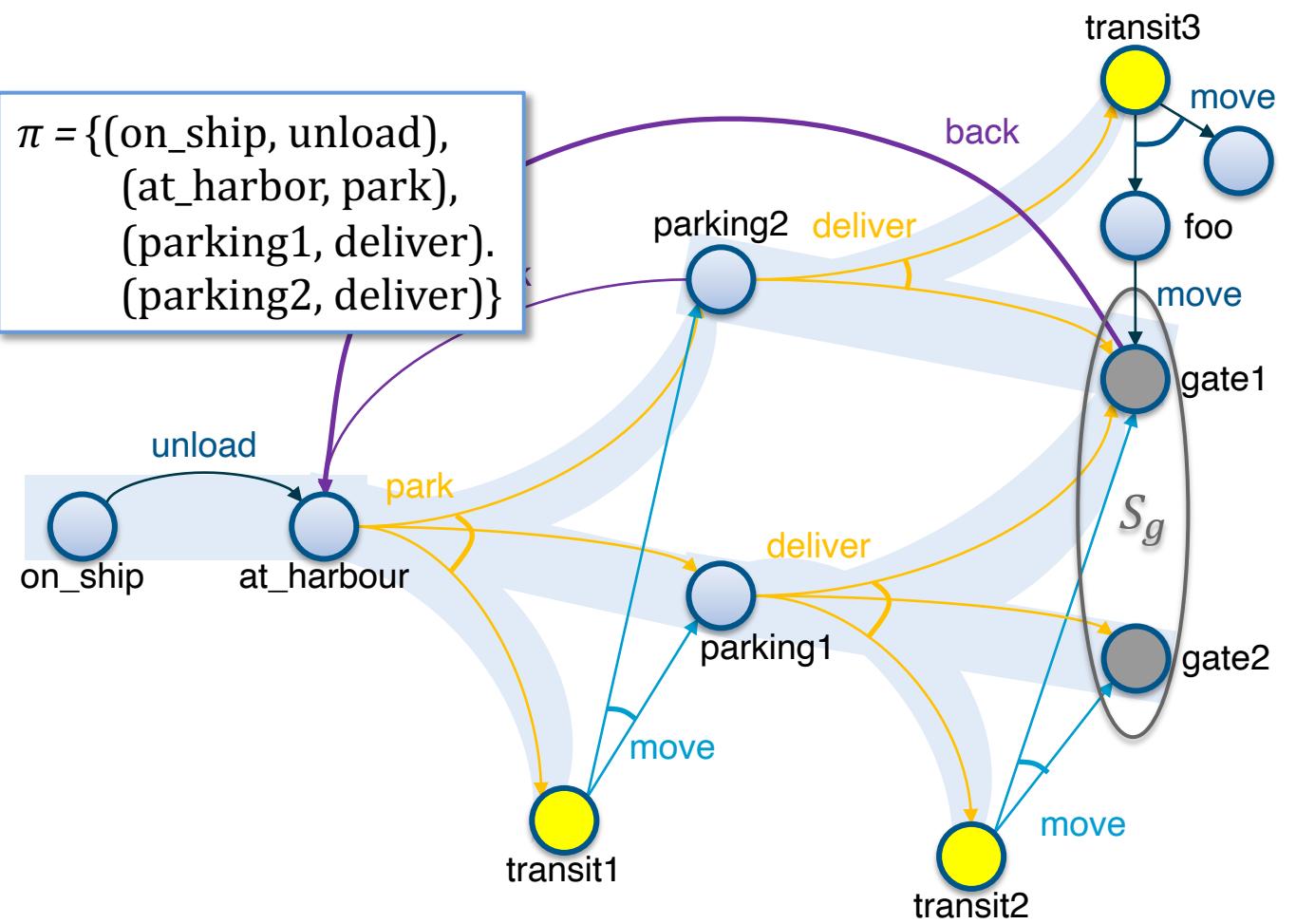
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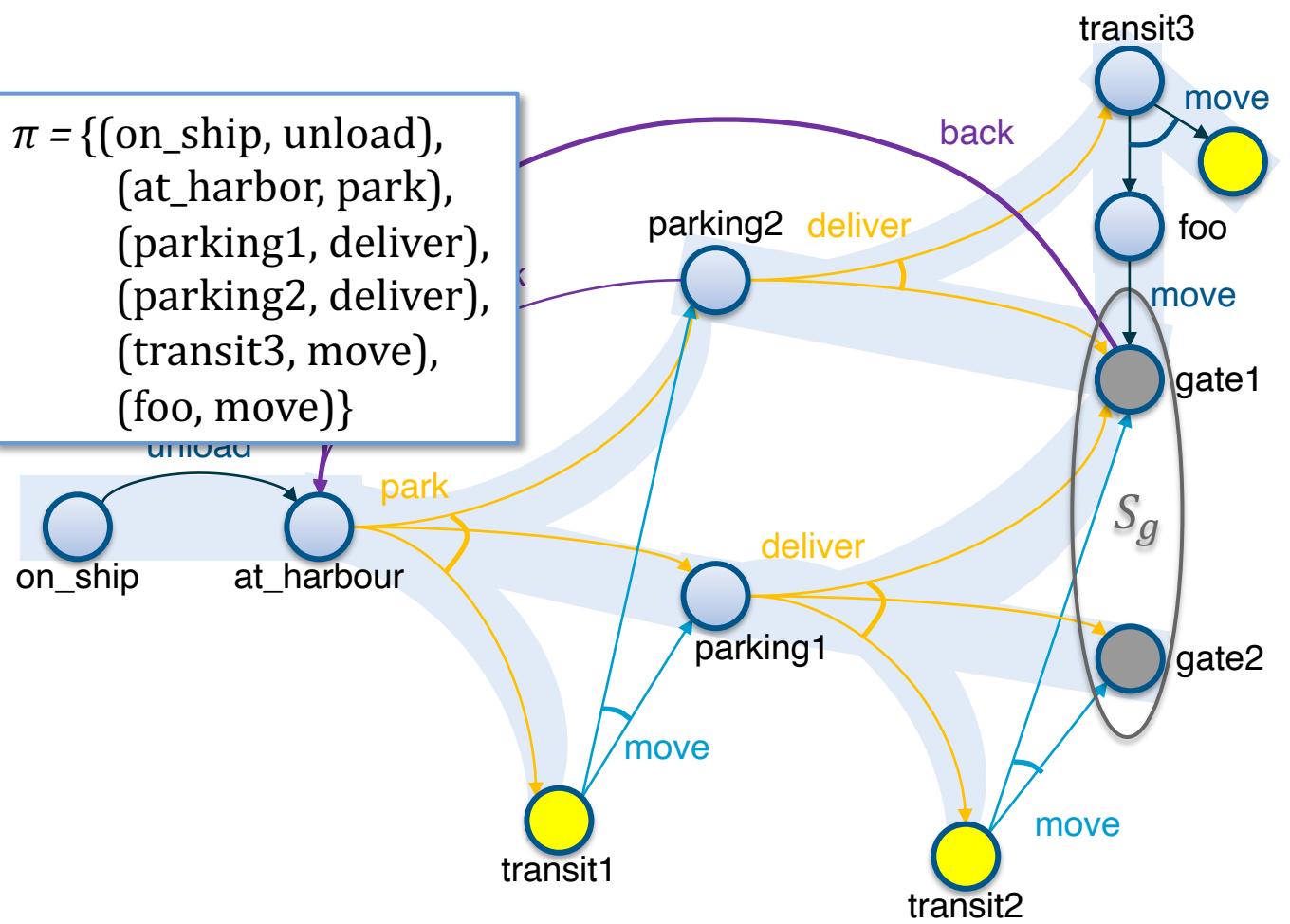


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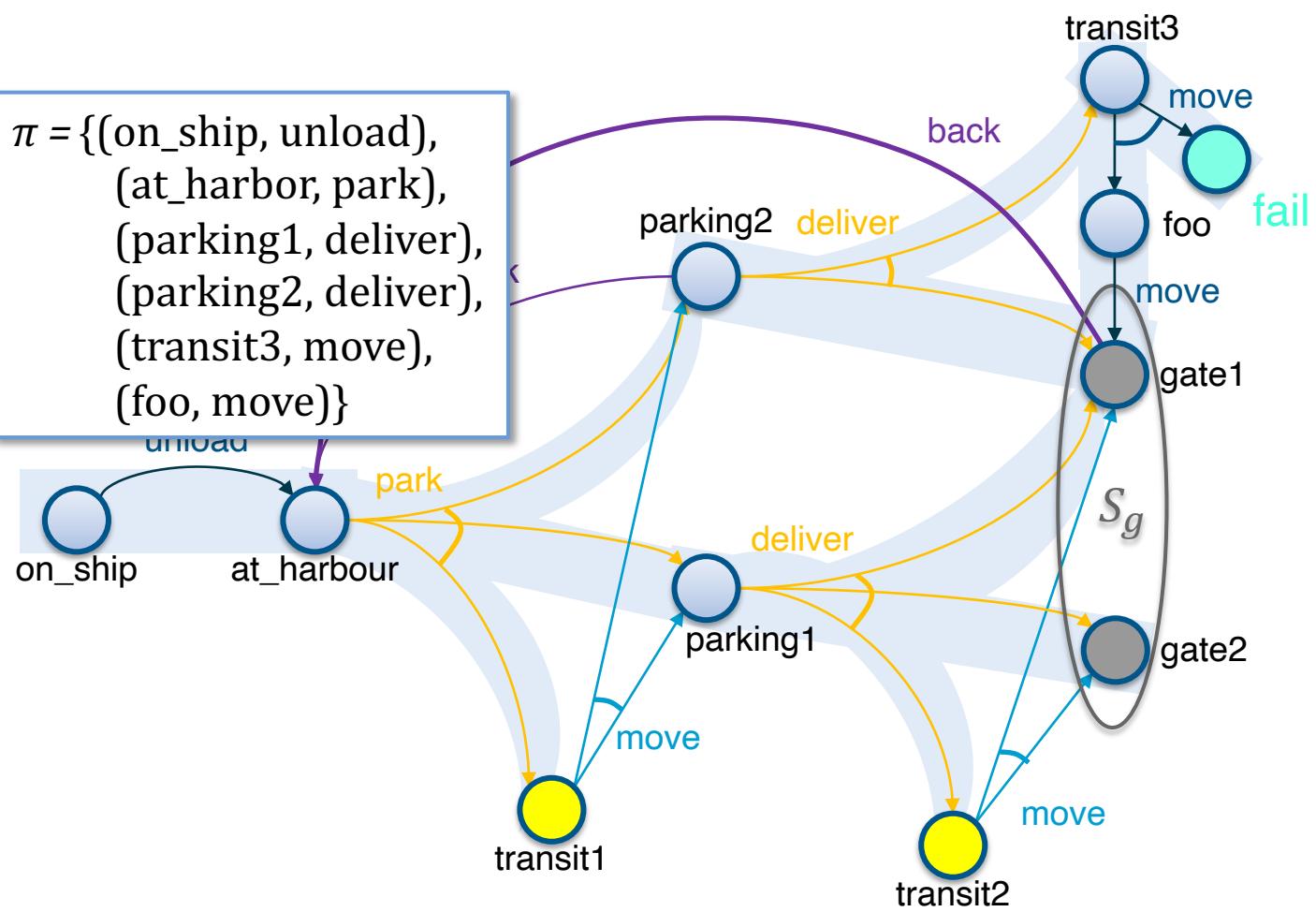
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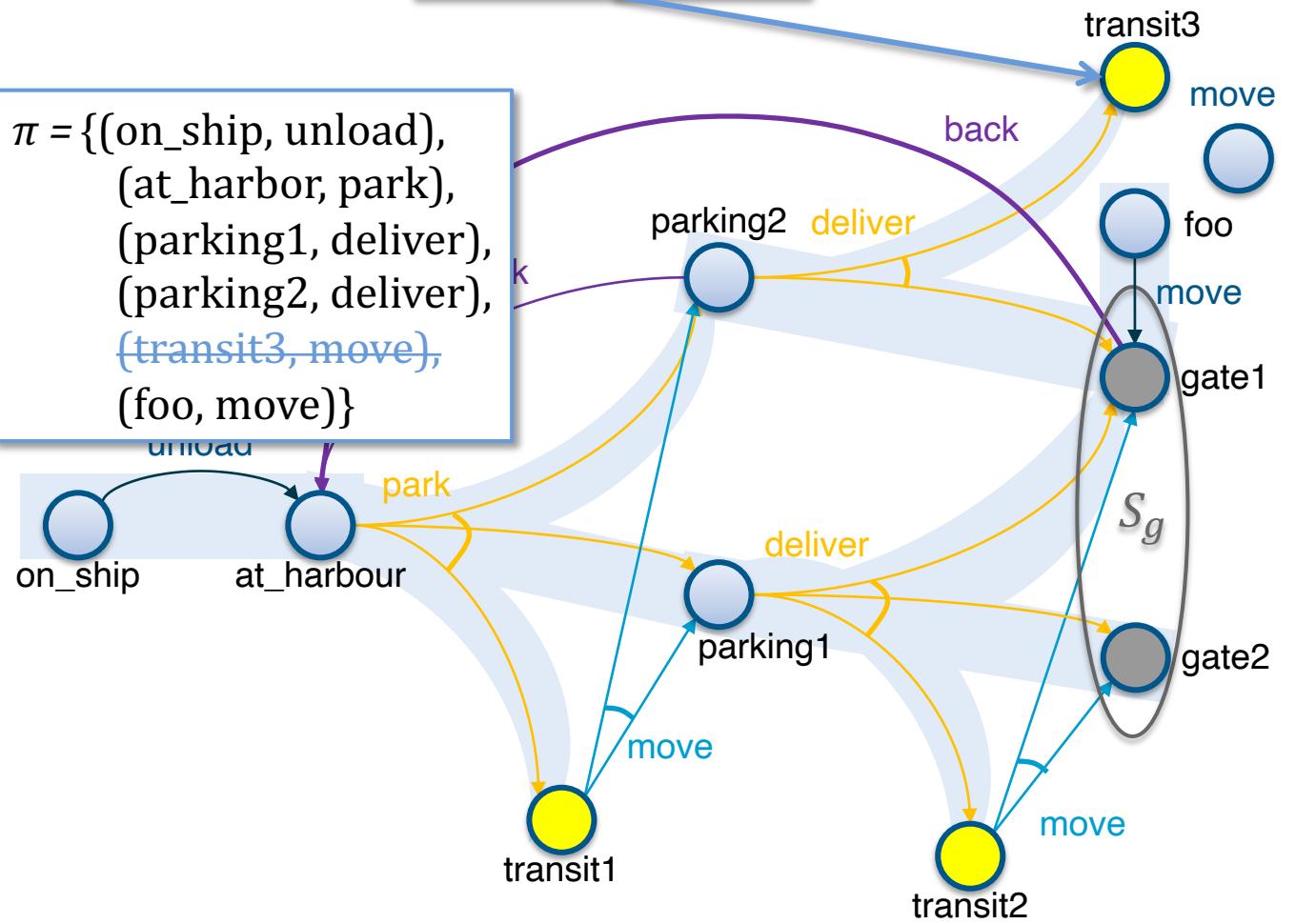
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Modify Σ to make
move inapplicable

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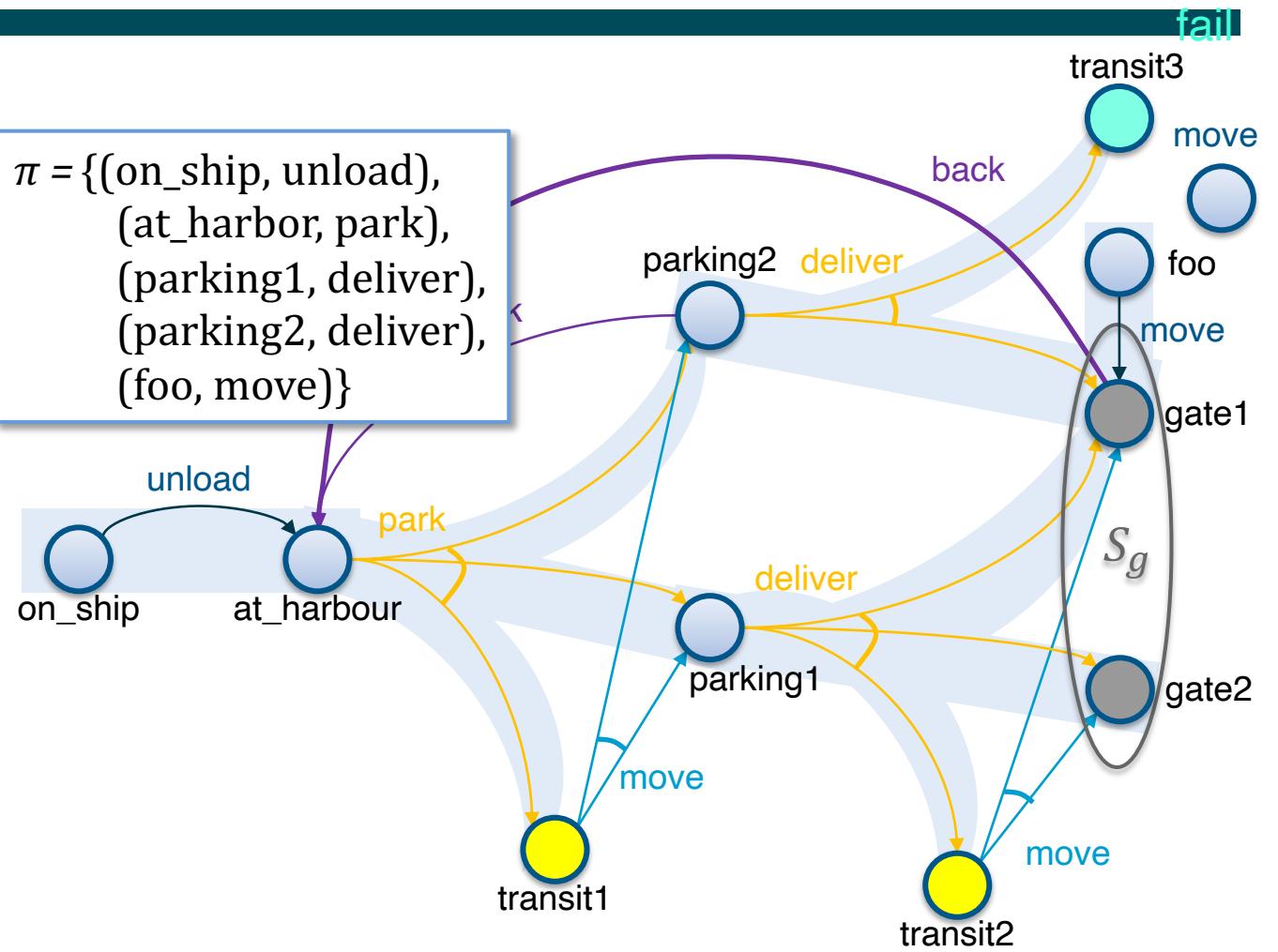
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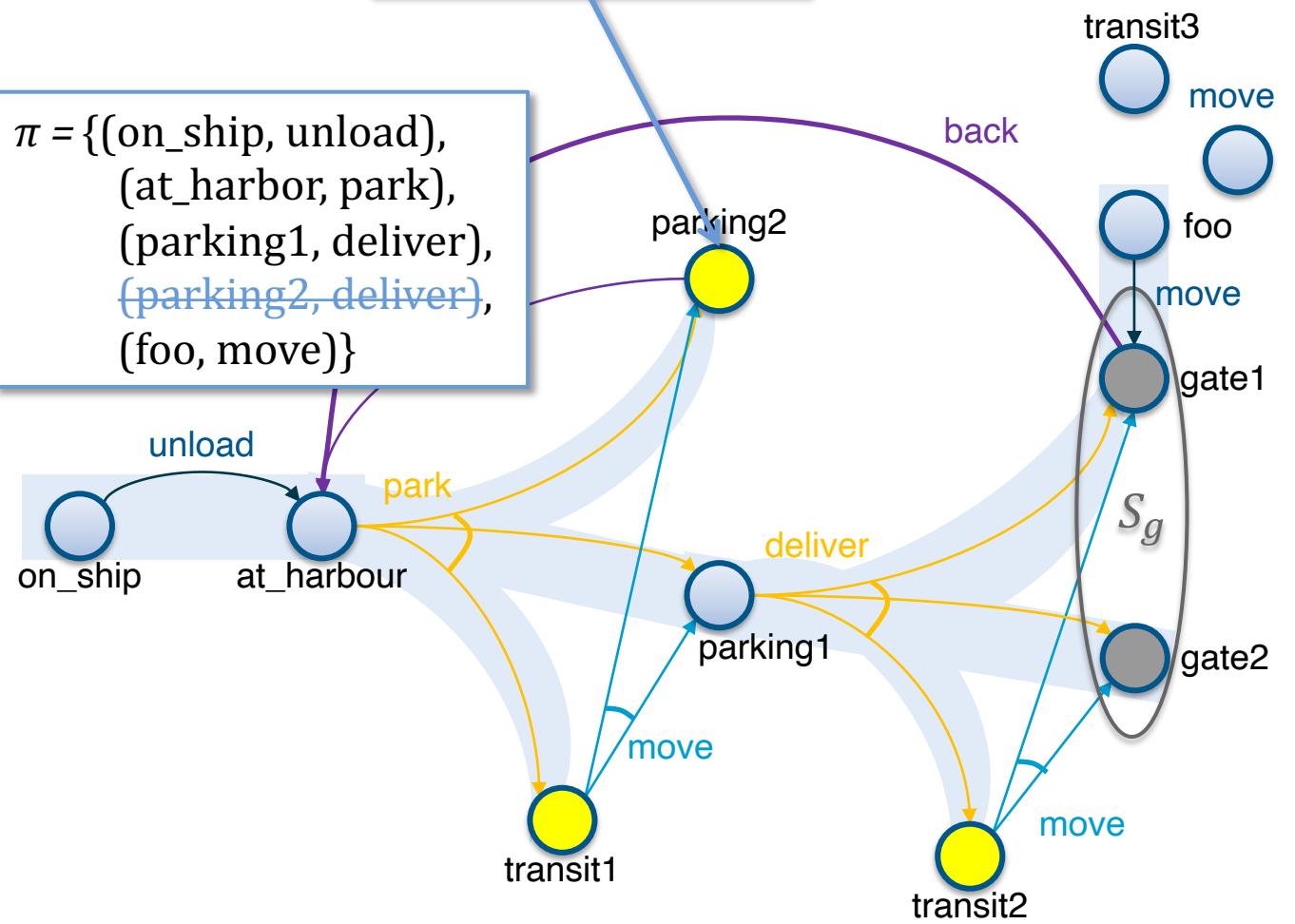
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Modify Σ to make
deliver inapplicable

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
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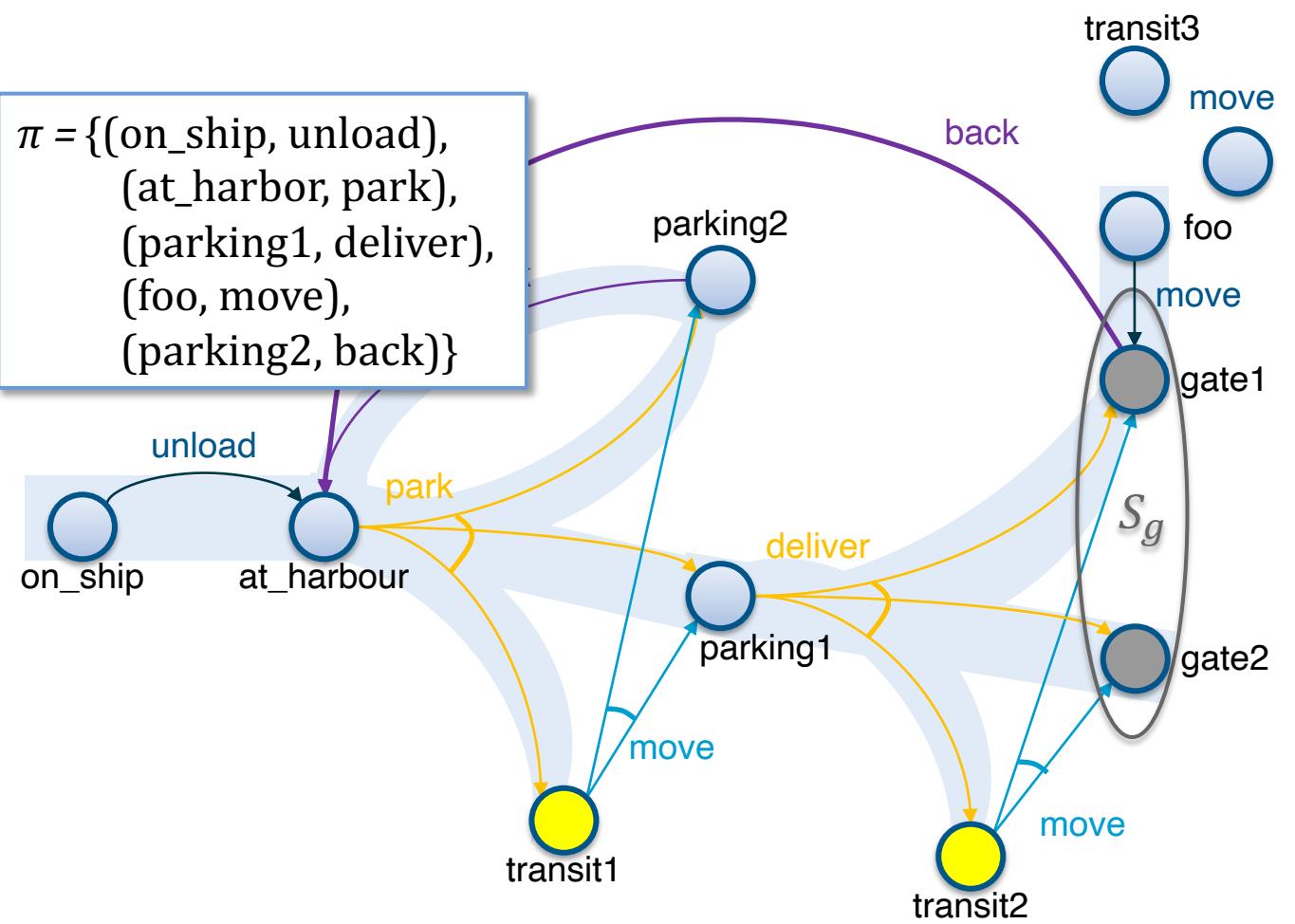
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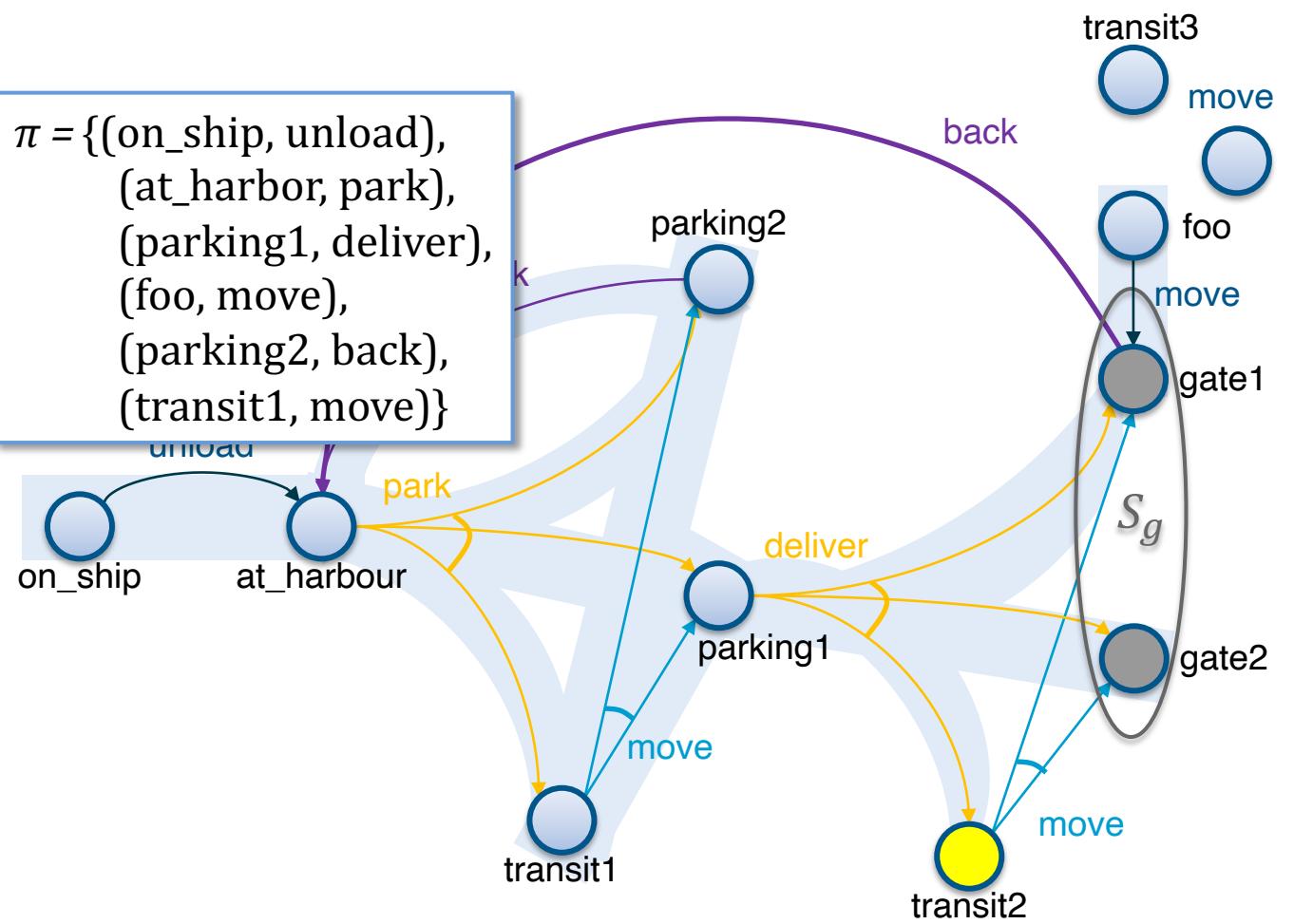


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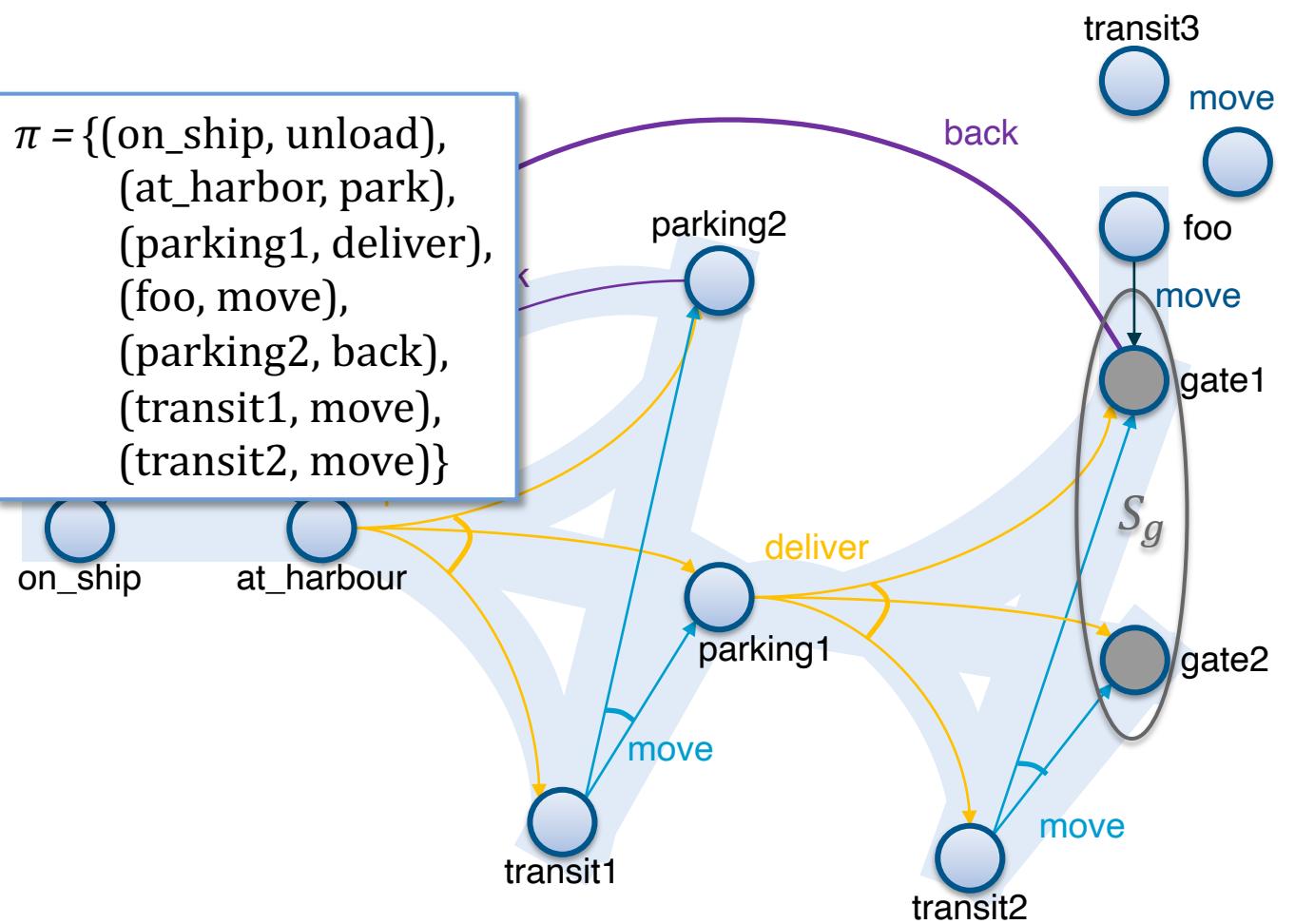
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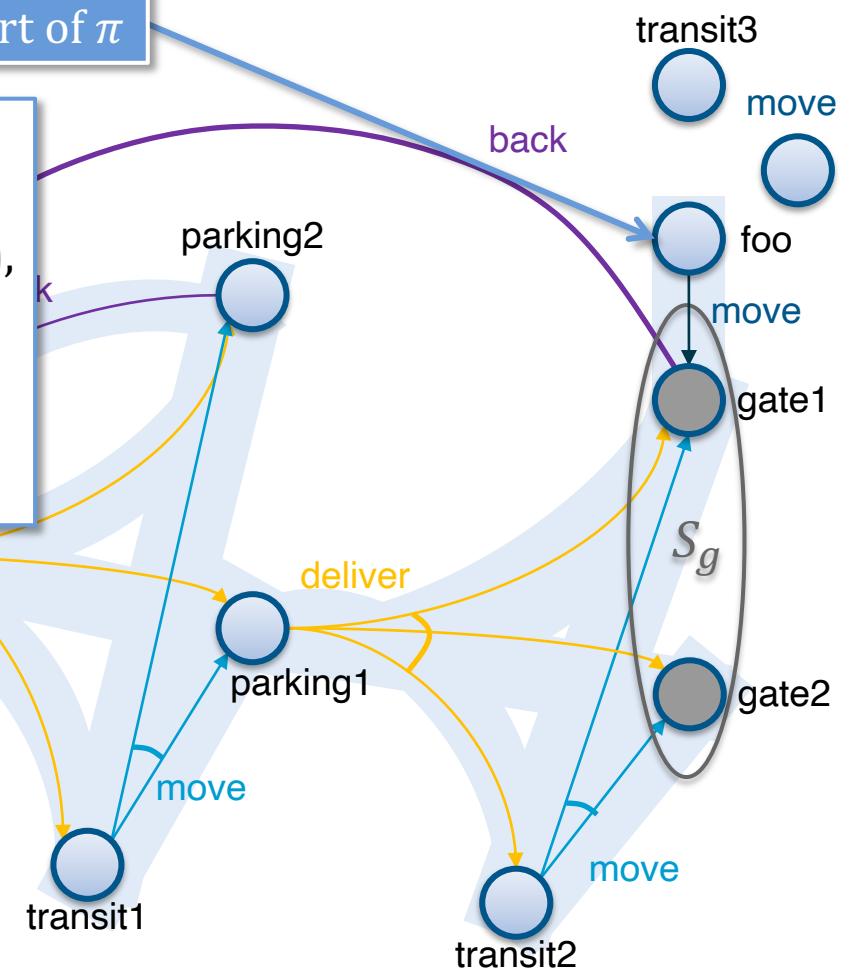
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Remove unreachable part of π

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload),$
 $(at_harbor, park),$
 $(parking1, deliver),$
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on_ship

at_harbour



Determinisation

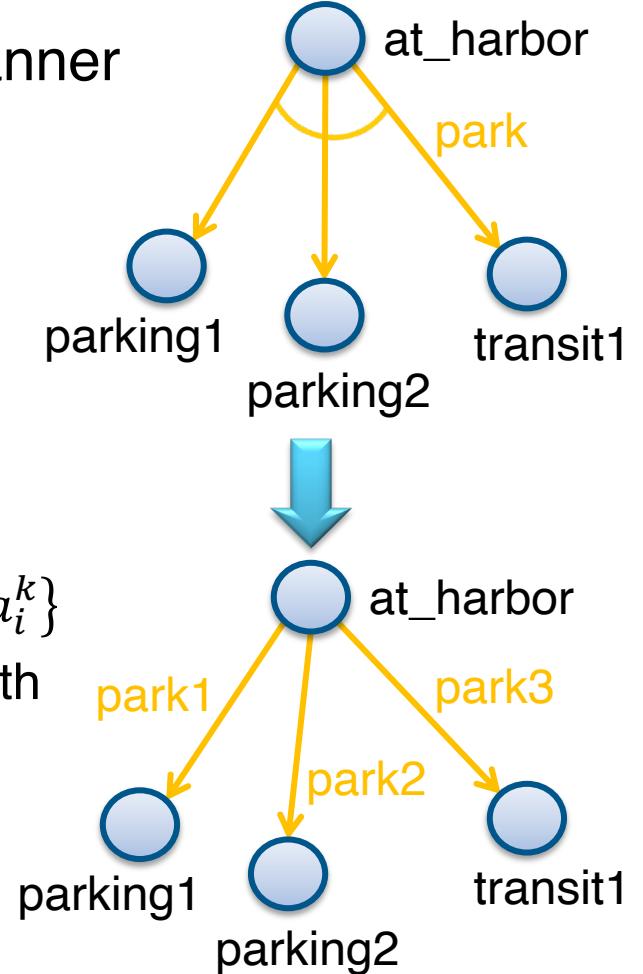
- How to implement it?
 - Need implementation of Find-Solution
 - Need it to be very efficient
 - Called many times
- Idea: instead, use a classical planner
 - Any algorithm from Ch. 2
 - Efficient algorithms, search heuristics
- For that, determinise actions

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Determinisation

- Convert nondeterministic actions into something a 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 $\Sigma_d = (S, A_d, \gamma_d)$ with
 - $A_d = \bigcup_{a_i \in A, a_i \text{ deterministic}} \{a_i\} \cup \bigcup_{a_i \in A, a_i \text{ nondeterministic}} \bigcup_{k=1}^K \{a_i^k\}$
 - γ_d defined as γ 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=(a1, ..., an), s)
    π ← ∅
    for i from 1 to n do
        π ← π ∪ {s, det2nondet(ai)}
        s ← γd(s, ai)
    return π
```



Determinisation

- Input:
Planning
problem
 (Σ, s_0, S_g)

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 π unless π already has an action for s .

s is unsolvable. For each (s', a) that can produce s , modify π and Σ_d such that we will never use a at s' .

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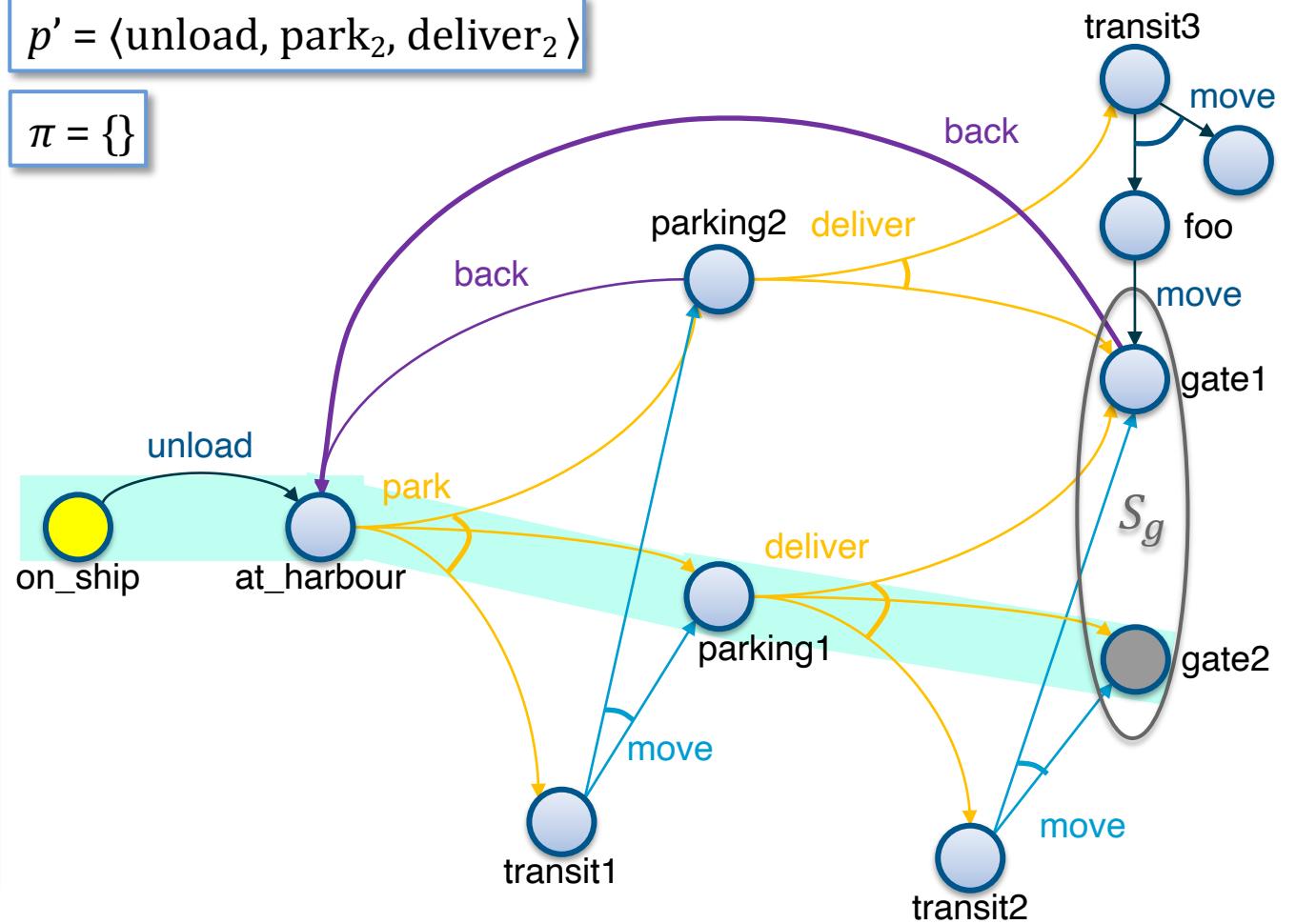
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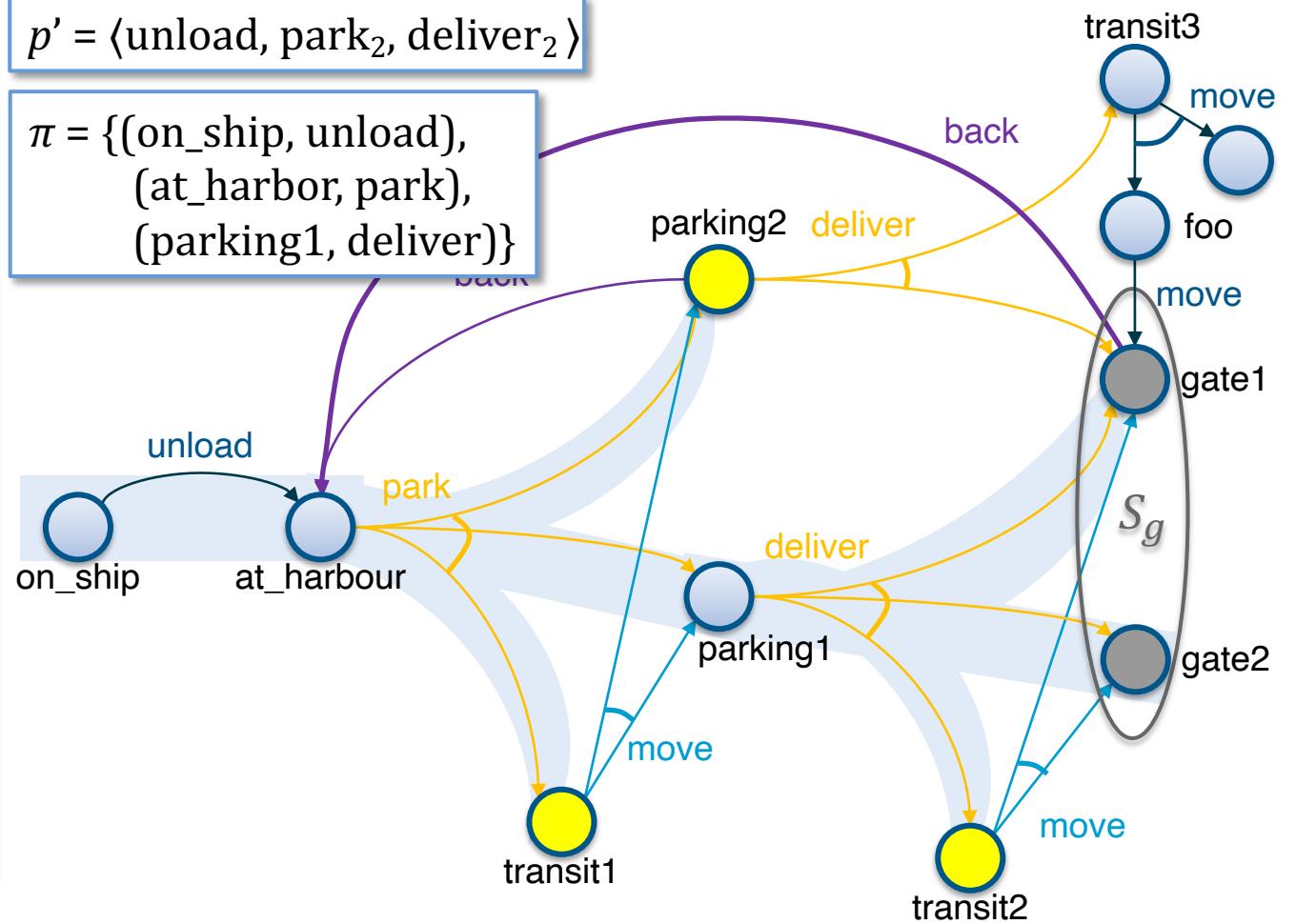
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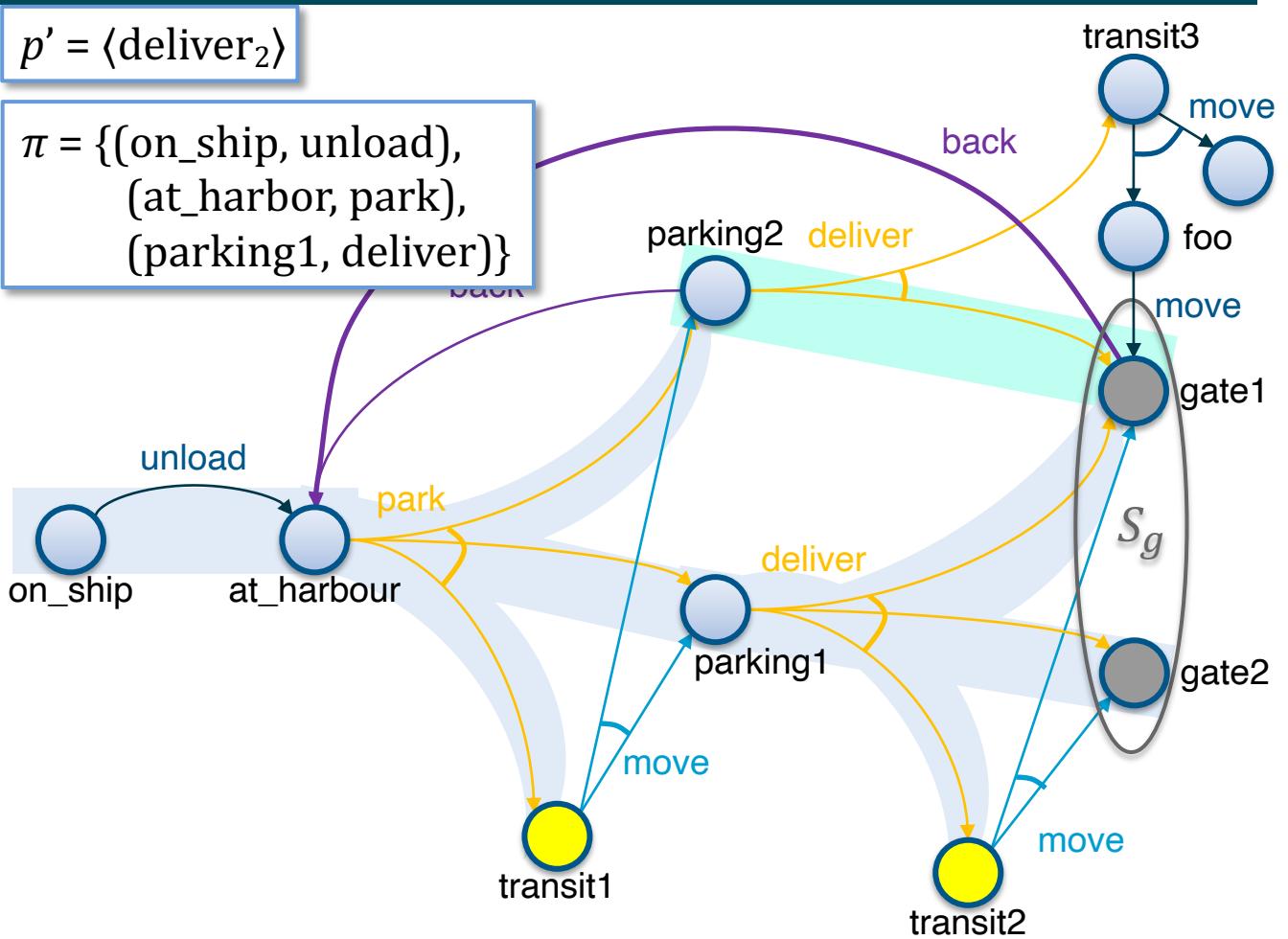
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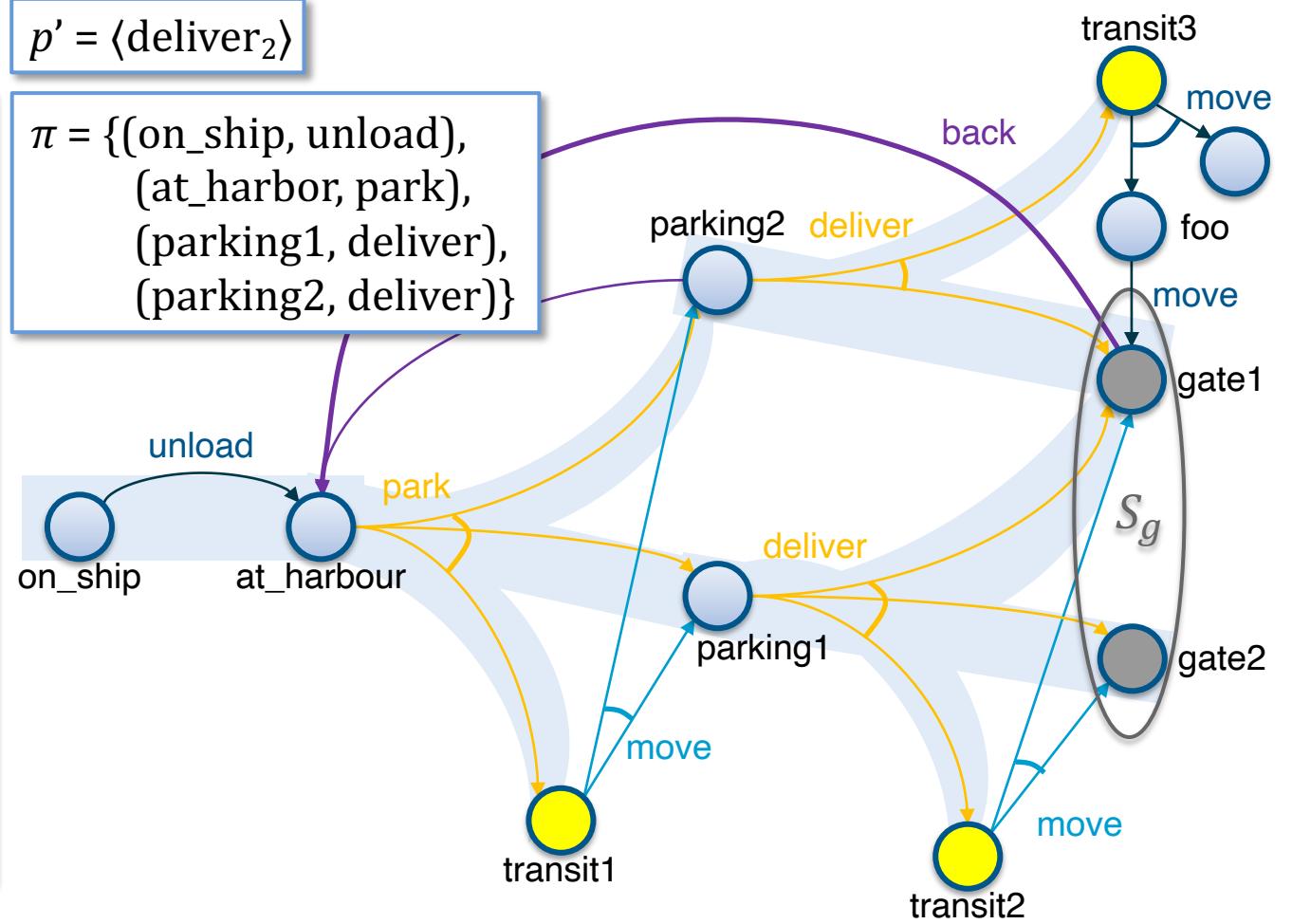
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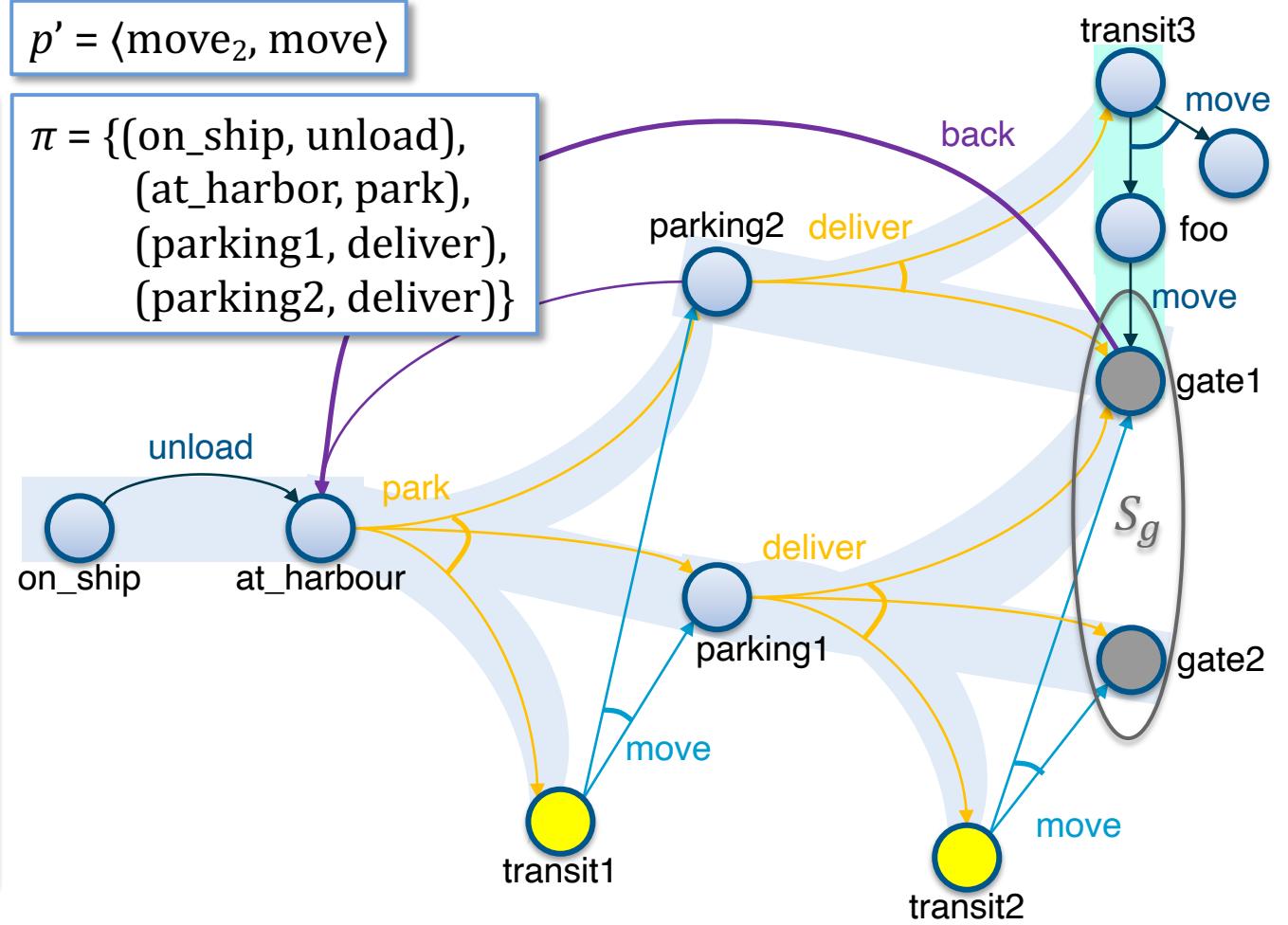
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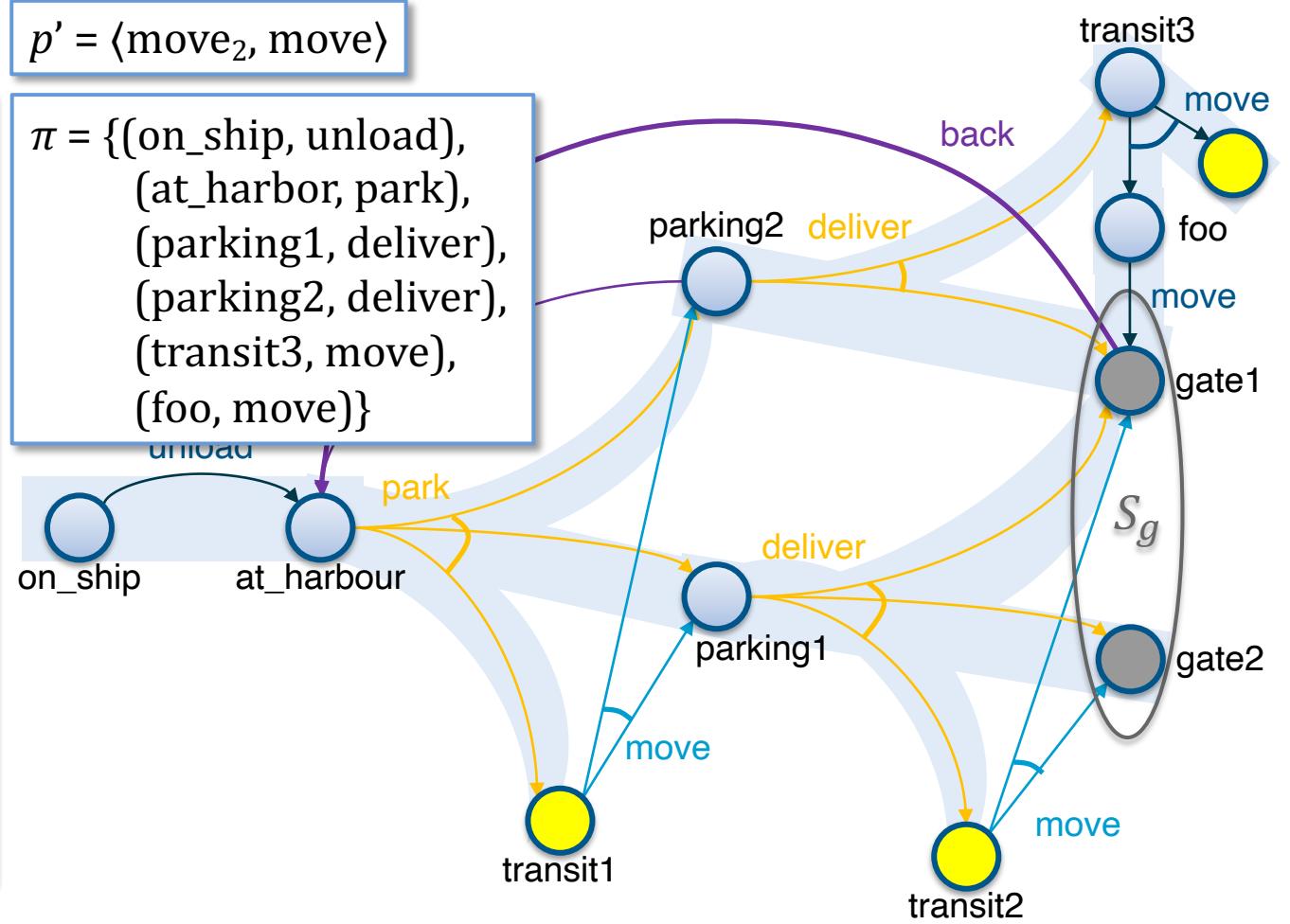
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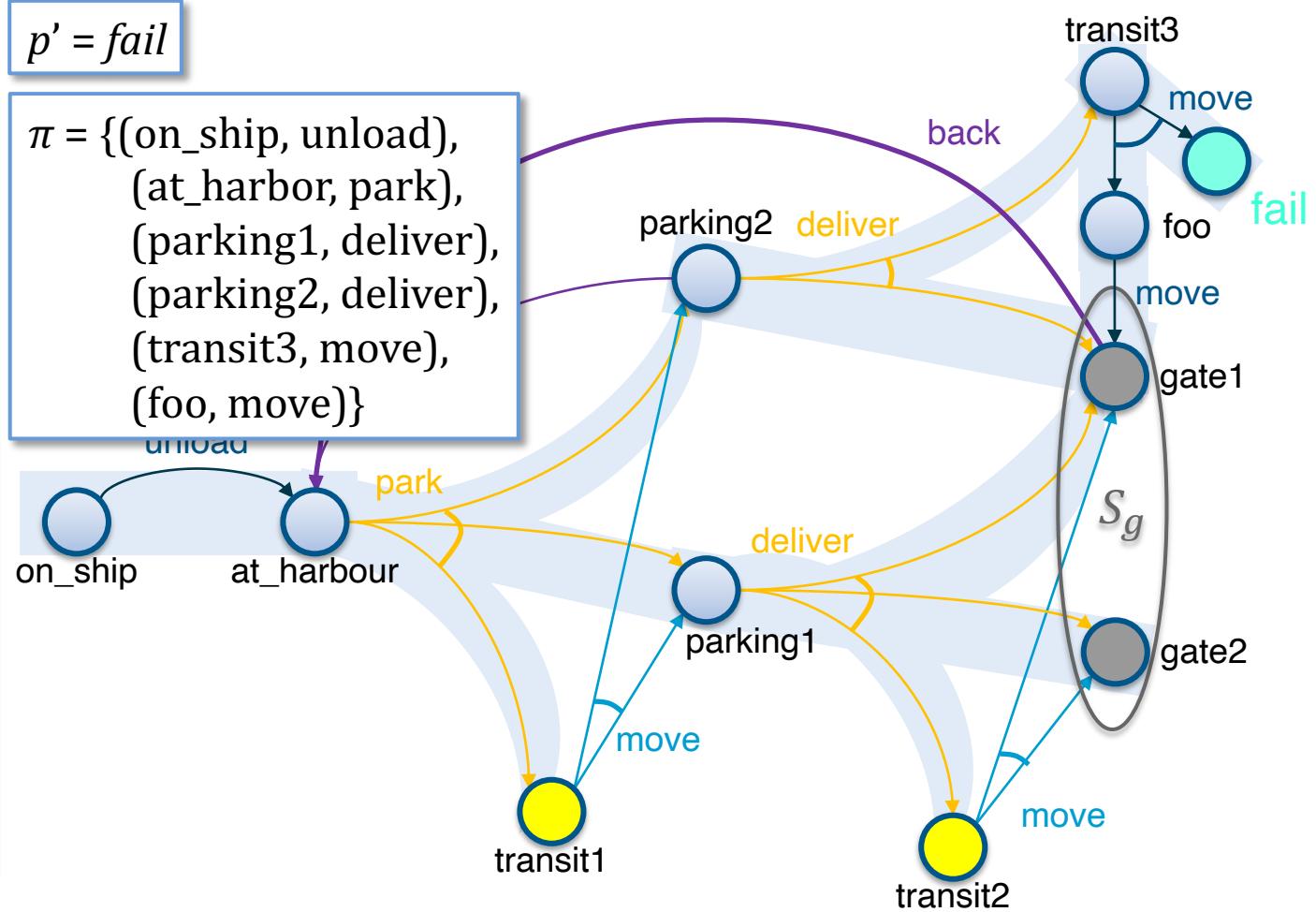
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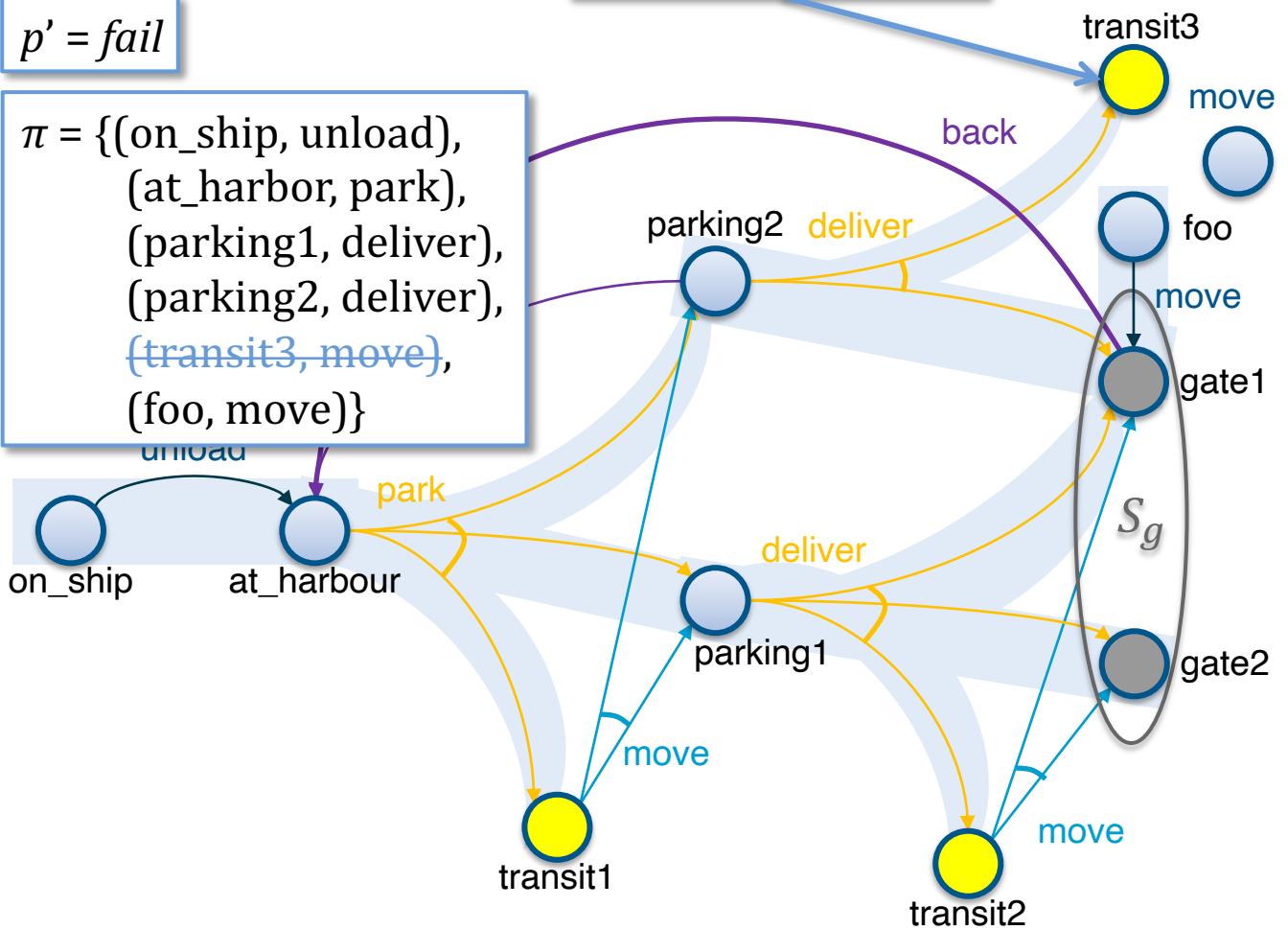
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Modify Σ_d to make
move inapplicable



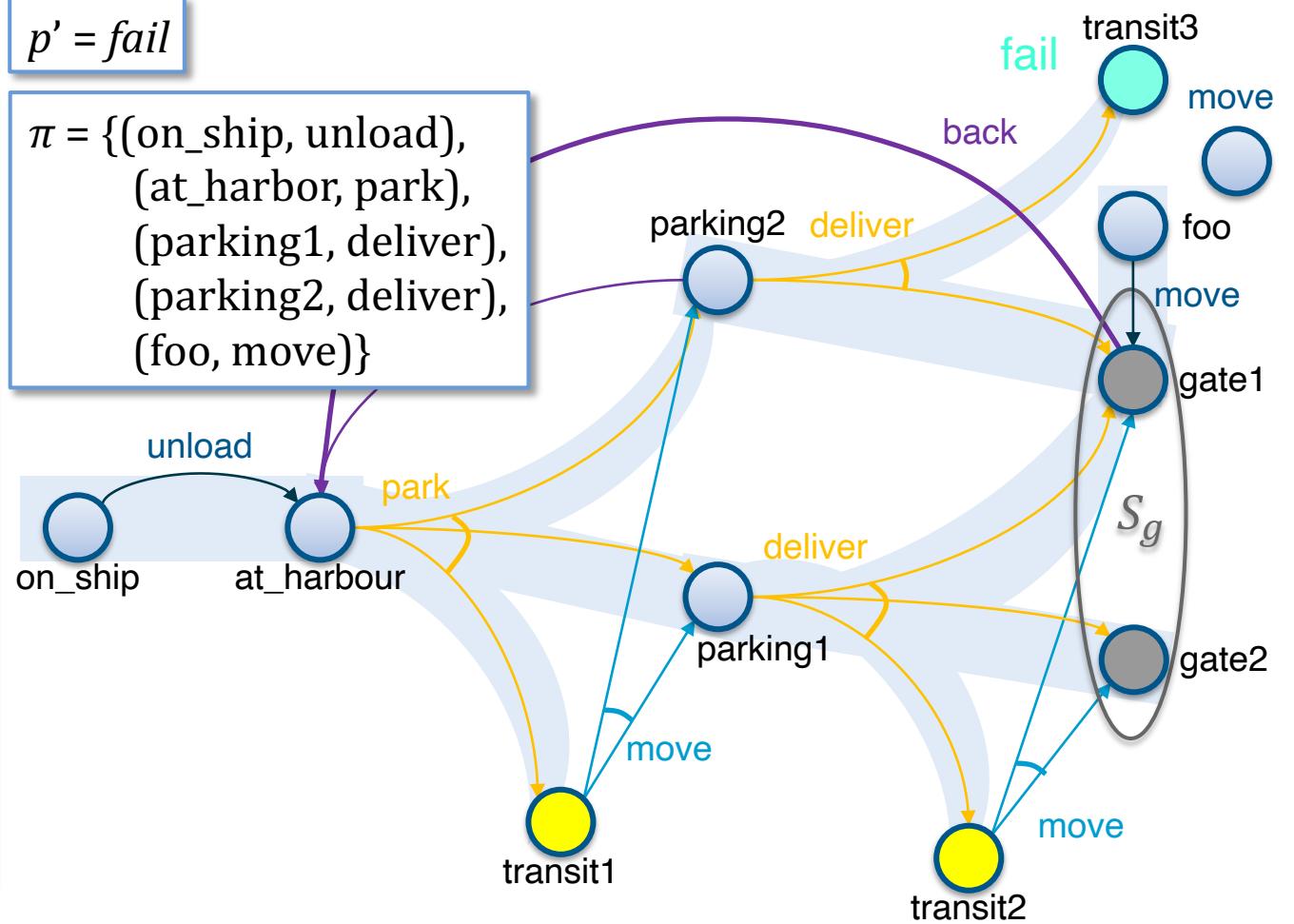
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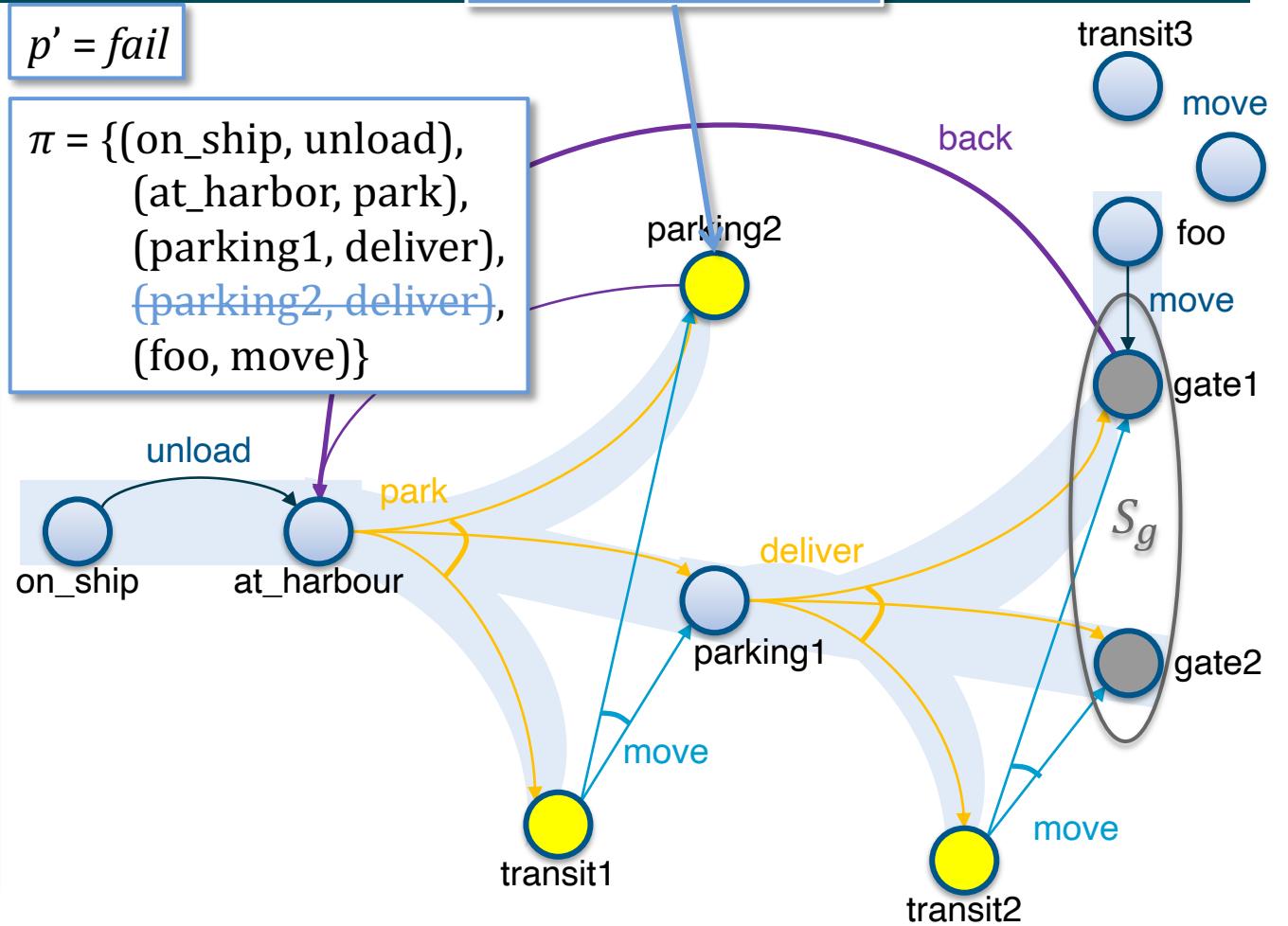


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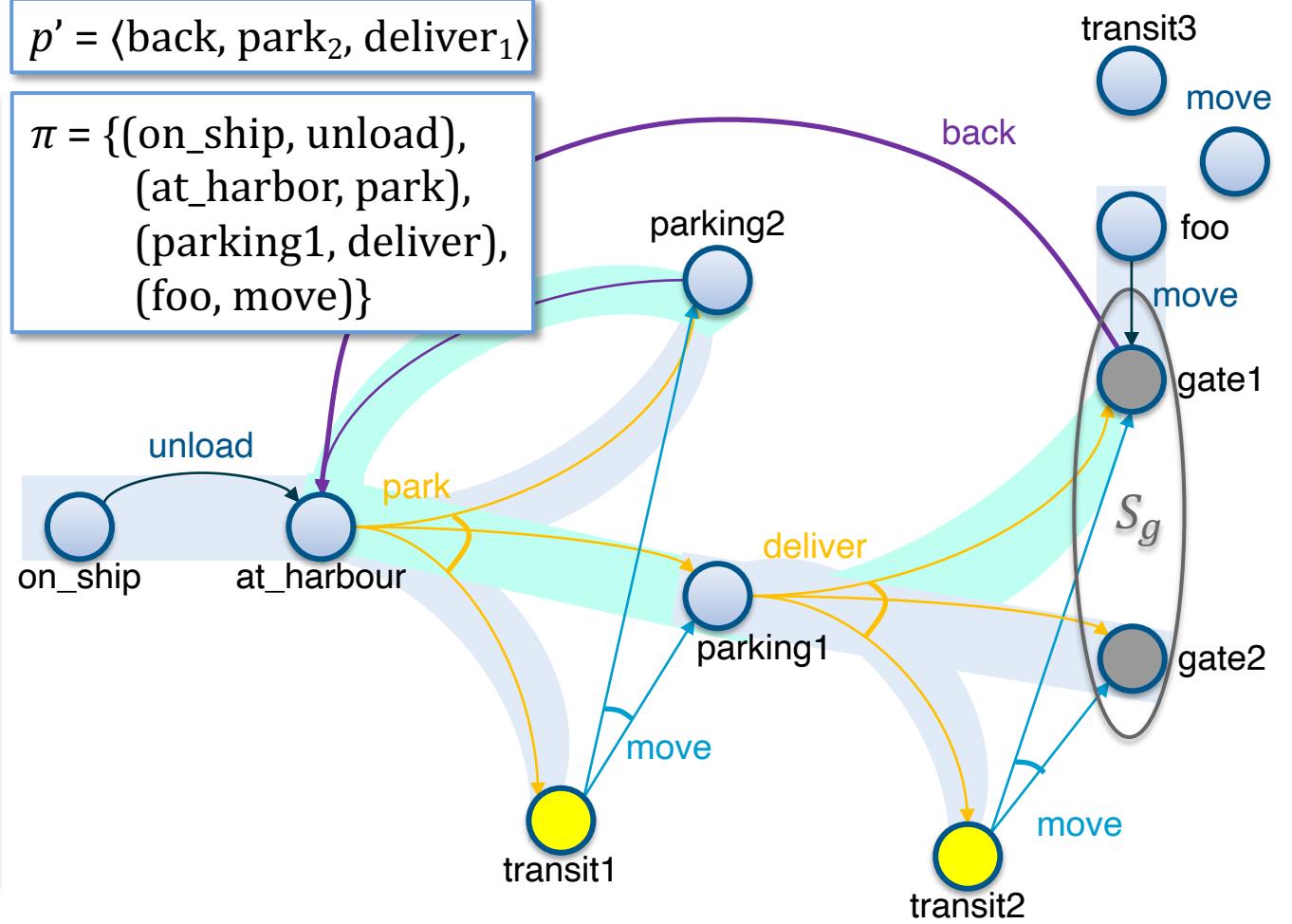
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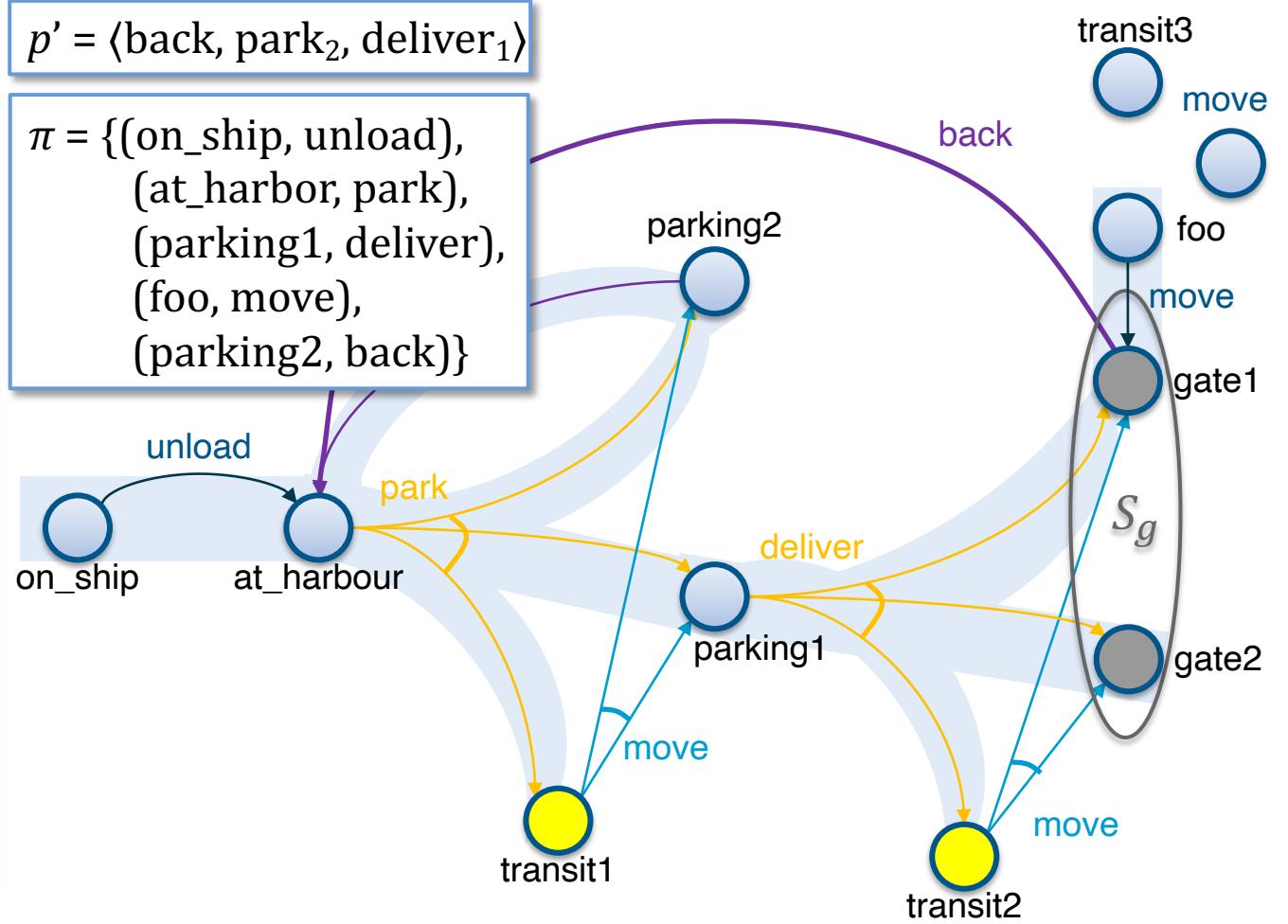


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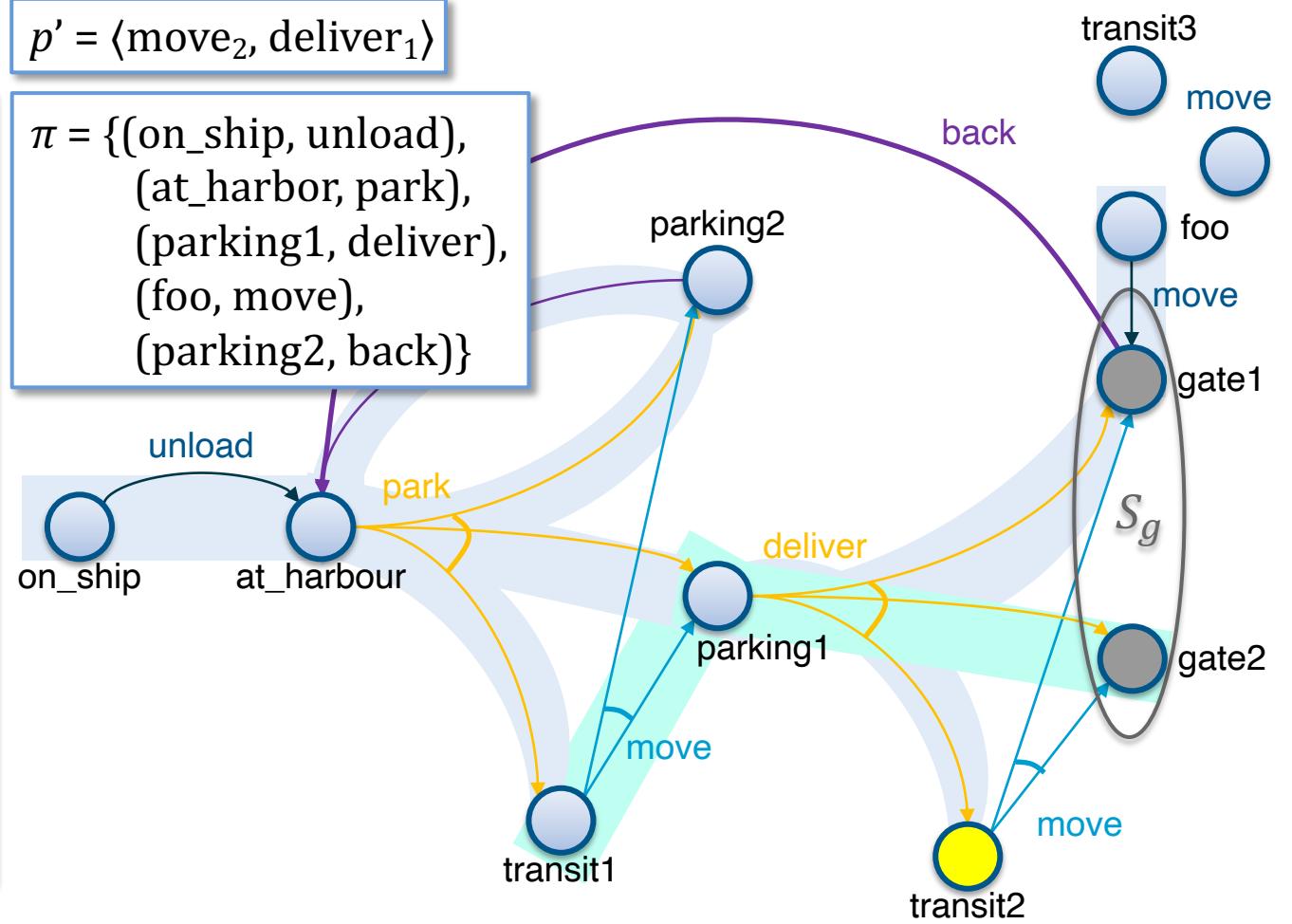


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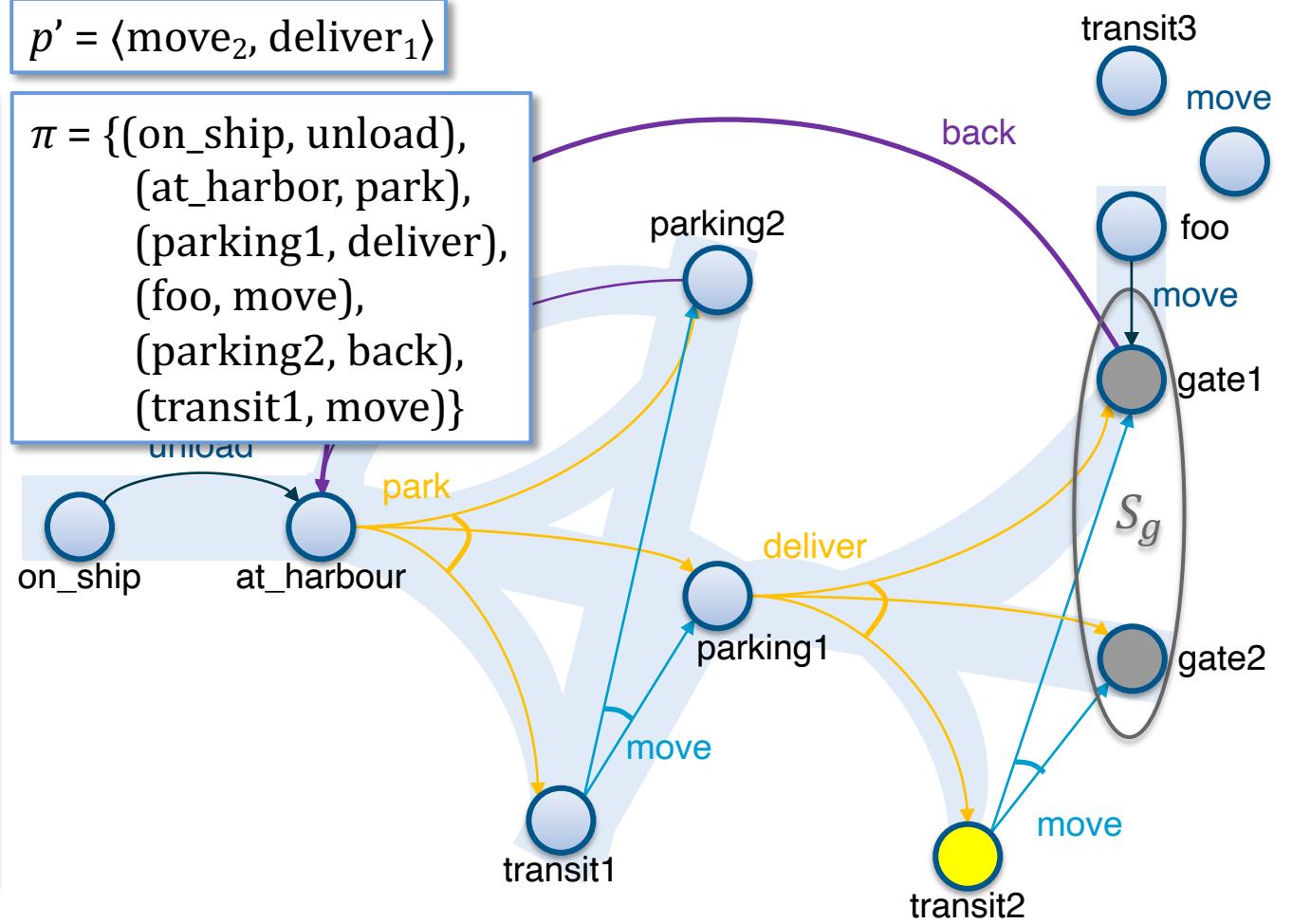


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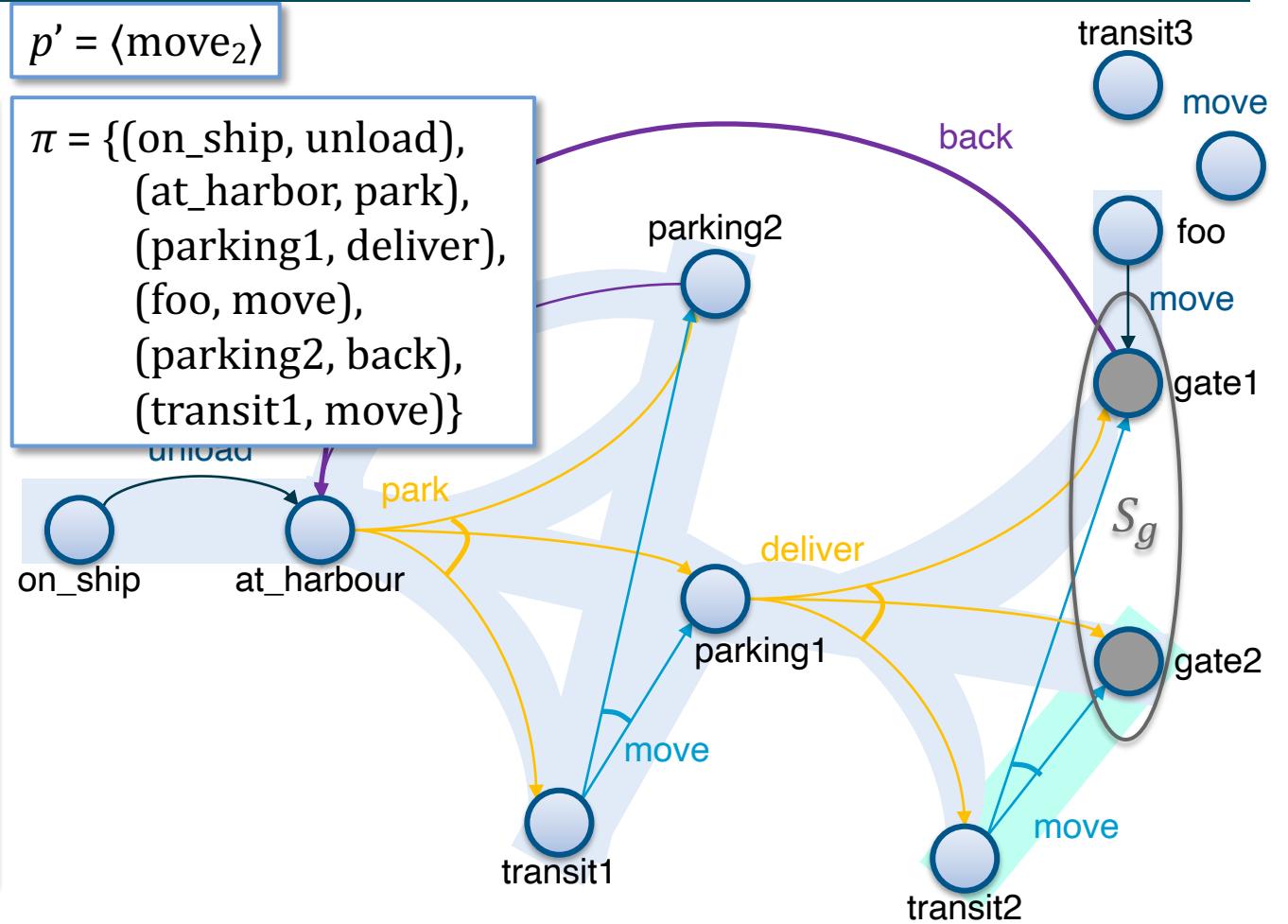
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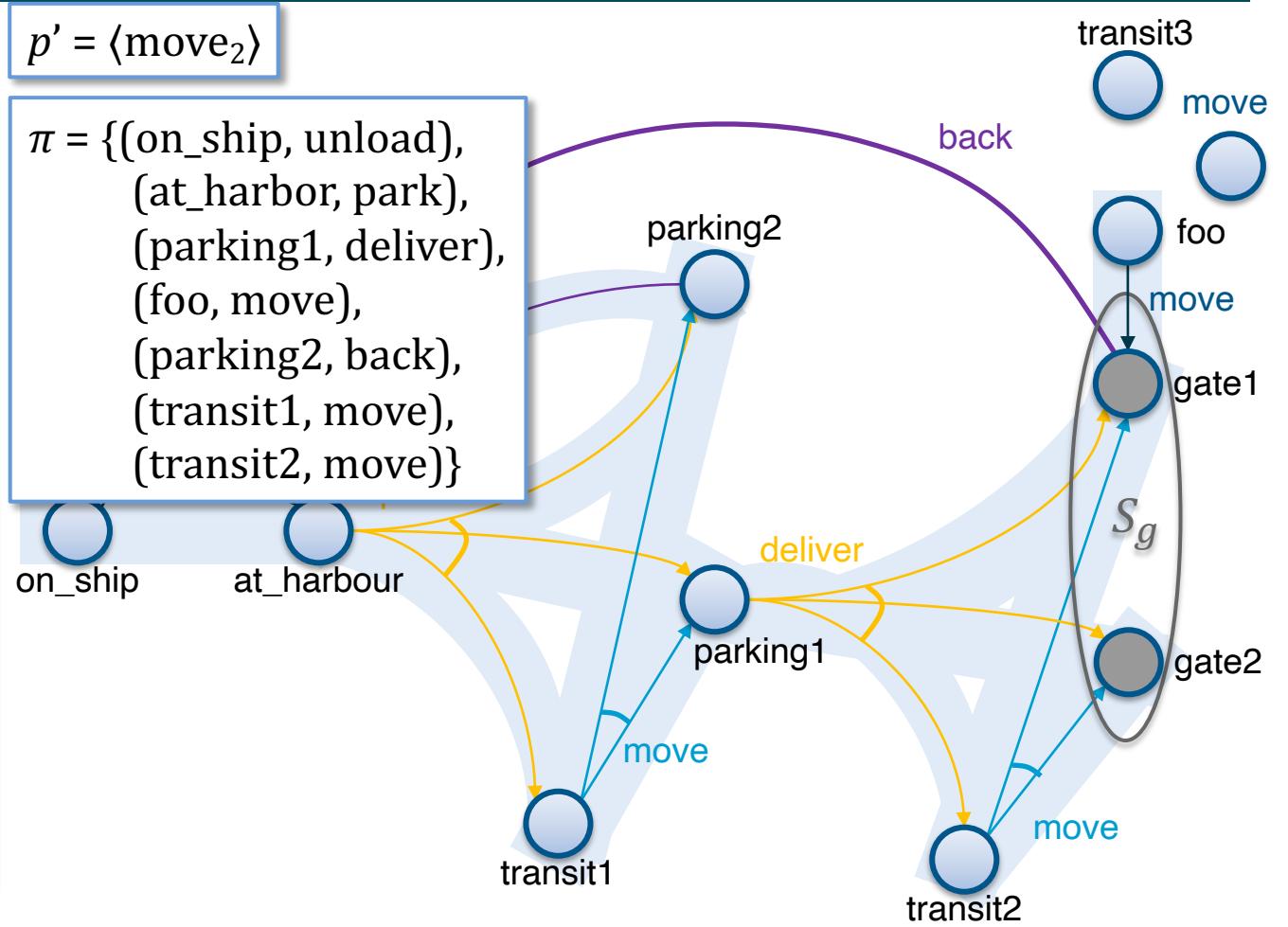


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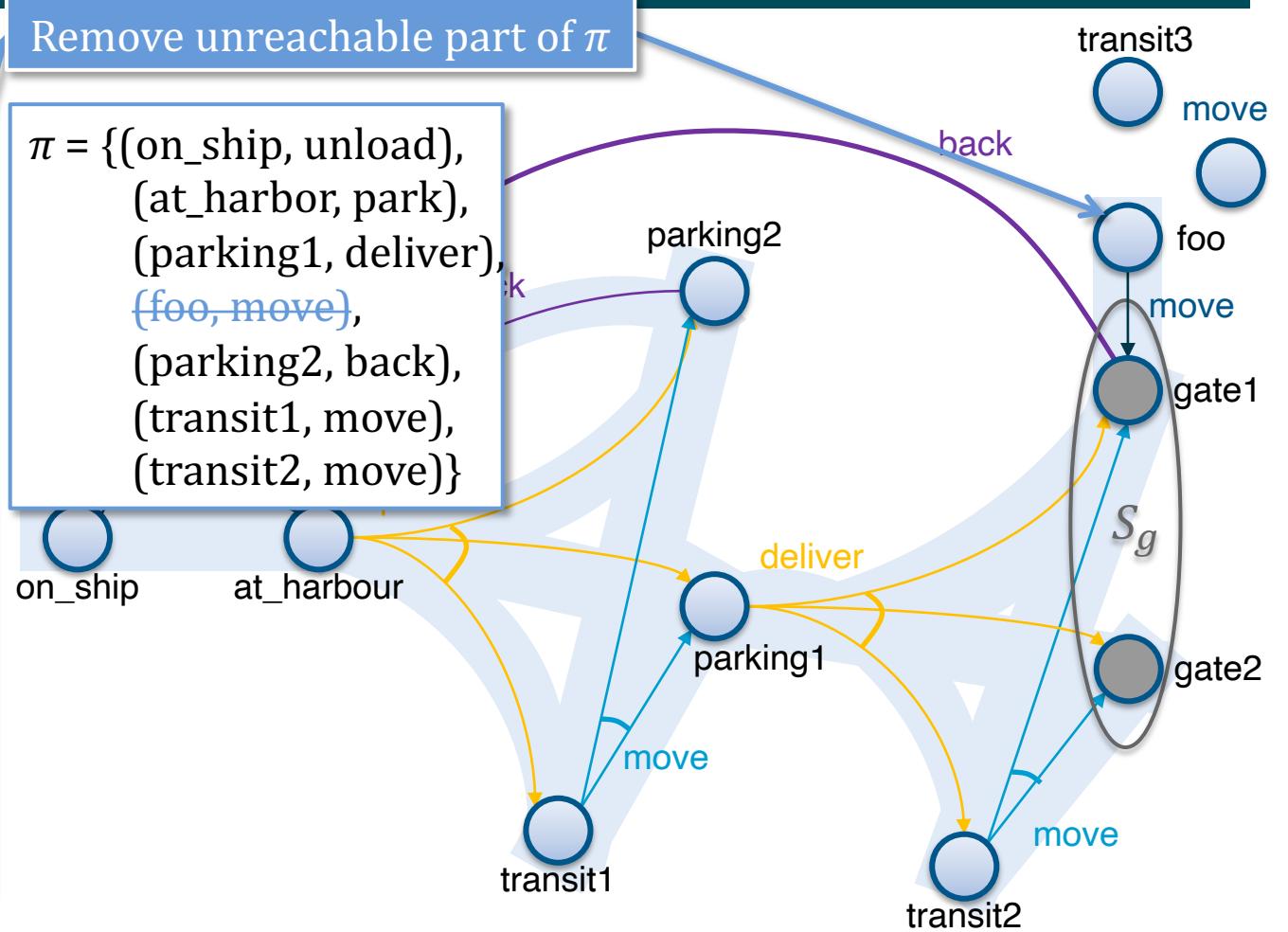
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1 Remove unreachable part of π

$\pi = \{(on_ship, unload), (at_harbor, park), (parking1, deliver), (foo, move), (parking2, back), (transit1, move), (transit2, move)\}$



Making Actions Inapplicable

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

Find-Safe-Solution-by-Determinisation(Σ, 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
     $Q \leftarrow \text{leaves}(s_0, \pi) \setminus S_g$ 
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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  $s'$ 
```



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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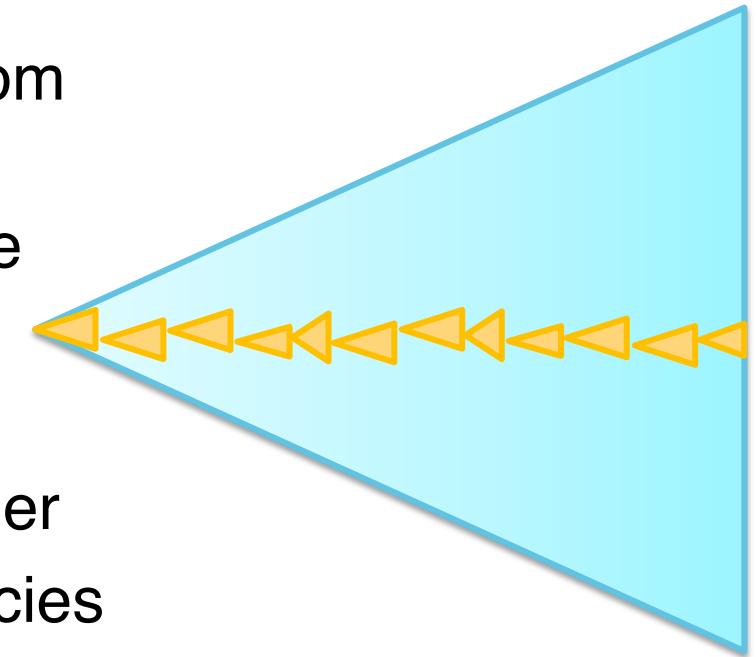
5.6 Online Approaches

- 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
- 2nd 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 (partial planning)
 - 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 π
 - π may be partial solution, or unsafe solution
 - Lookahead-Partial-Plan executes π as far as it will go, then calls Lookahead again
 - θ 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  $\pi$ 
             $s \leftarrow \text{observe current state}$ 
```

Inputs:

- Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)
- Vector of parameters θ
- *Same for next versions*



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 π

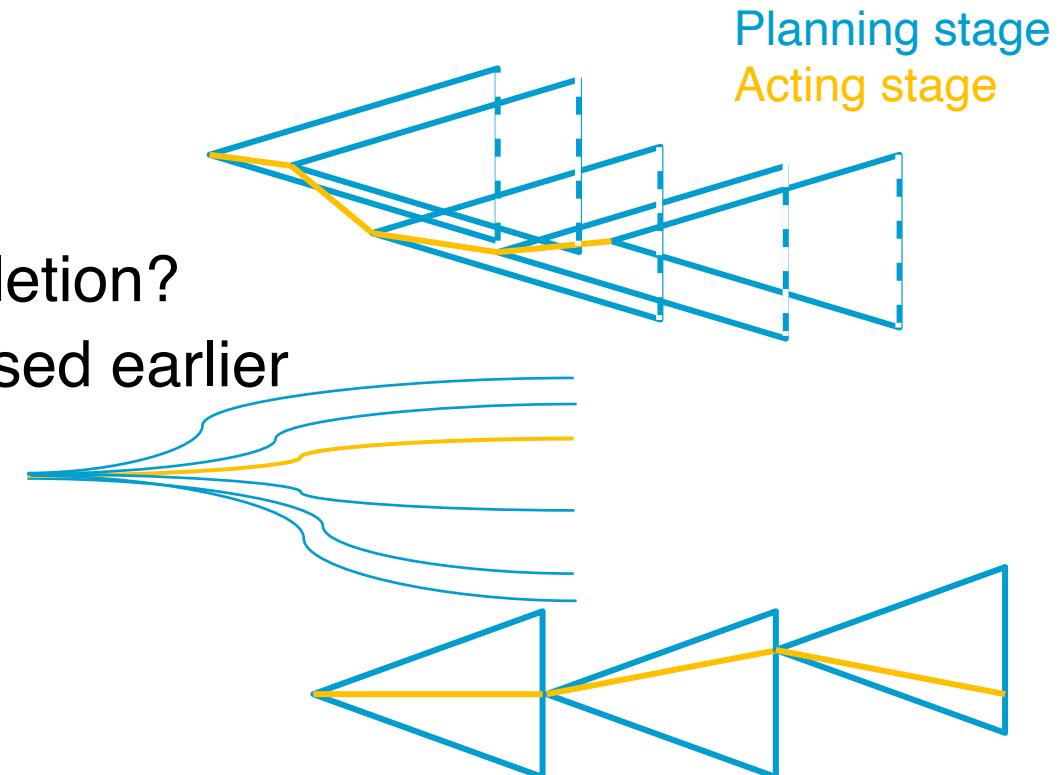
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FS-Replan( $\Sigma, s, S_g$ )
   $\pi_d \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
  while  $s \notin S_g$  and Applicable( $s$ )  $\neq \emptyset$  do
    if  $\pi_d$  undefined for  $s$  then
       $\pi_d \leftarrow \text{Plan2policy}(\text{Forward-search}(\Sigma_d, s, S_g), s)$ 
    if  $\pi_d$  = failure then
      return failure
    perform action  $\pi_d(s)$ 
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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

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

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

Input

- Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)

MinMax Learning Real Time A* (MinMax LRTA*)

- Lookahead with a bounded number of steps
- Input: Planning problem (Σ, s_0, S_g)
- 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

Assumes each action has cost 1;
can easily be modified to use cost $\neq 1$ by replacing 1 with $c(s)$

Min-Max-LRTA* (Σ, s_0, S_g)

```
s ← s0
while s ∈ Sg and Applicable(s) ≠ ∅ do
    a ← argmina ∈ Applicable(s) maxs' ∈ γ(s, a) h(s')
    h(s) ← max{h(s), 1 + maxs' ∈ γ(s, a) h(s')}
    perform action a
    s ← the current state
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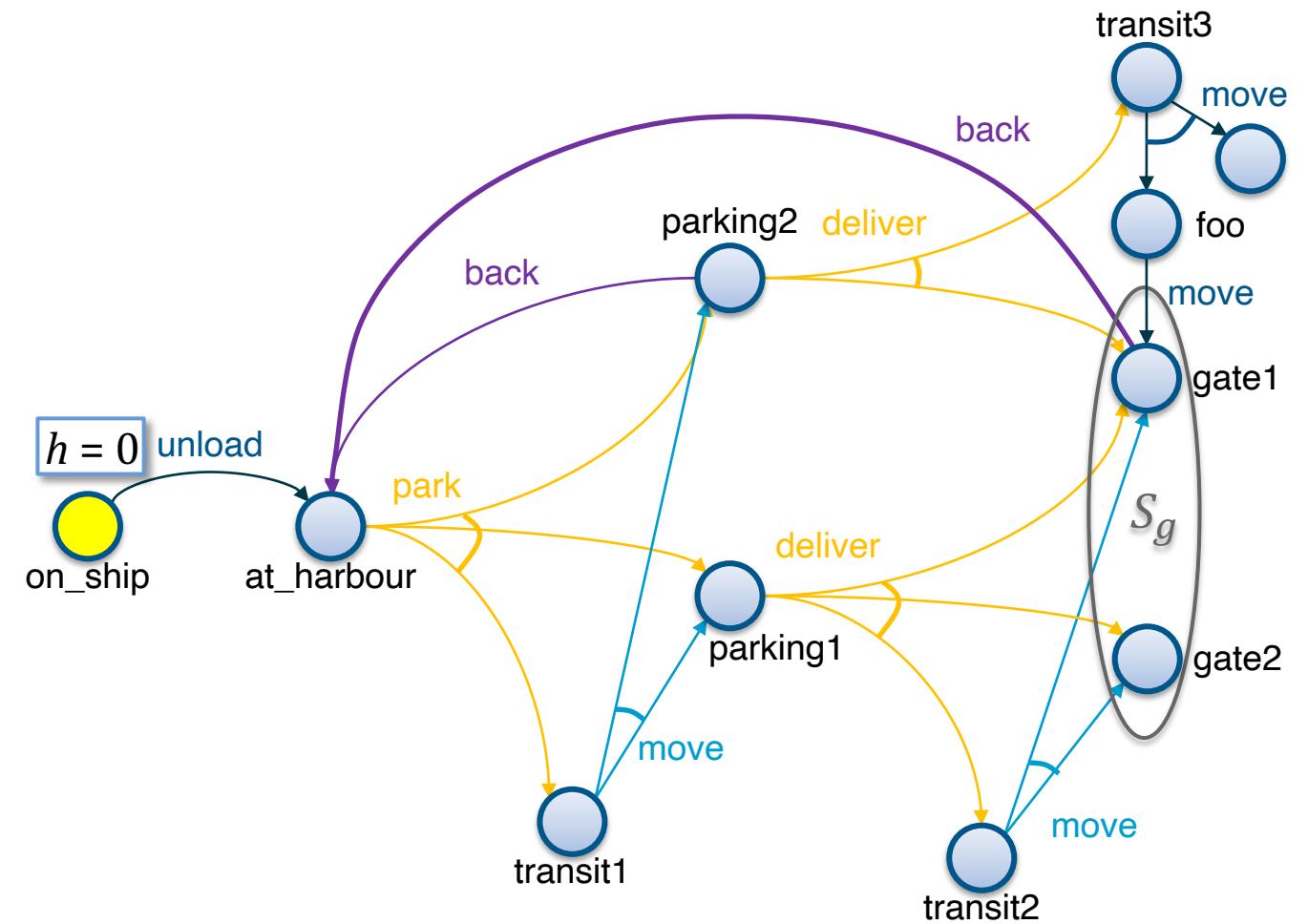


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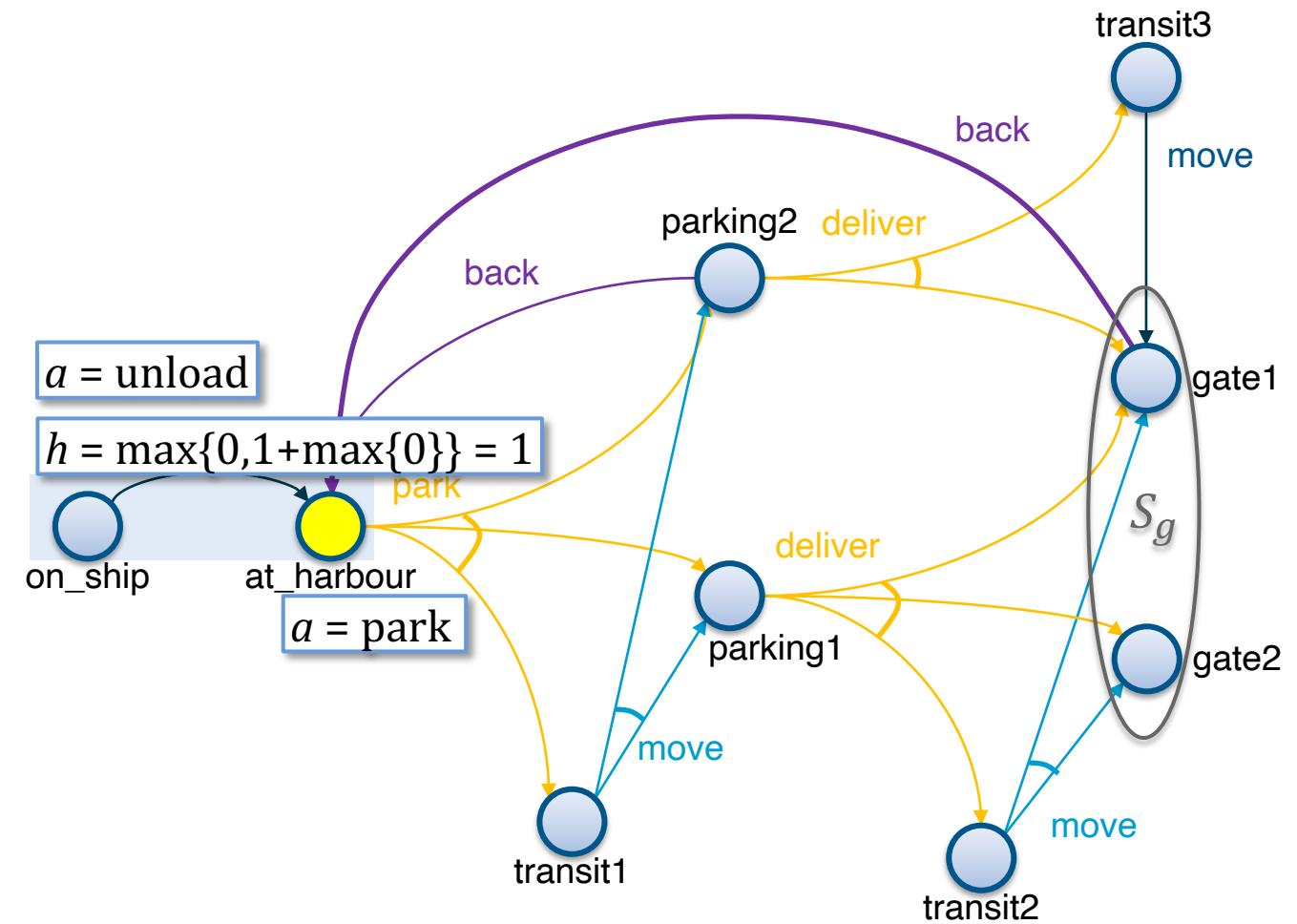
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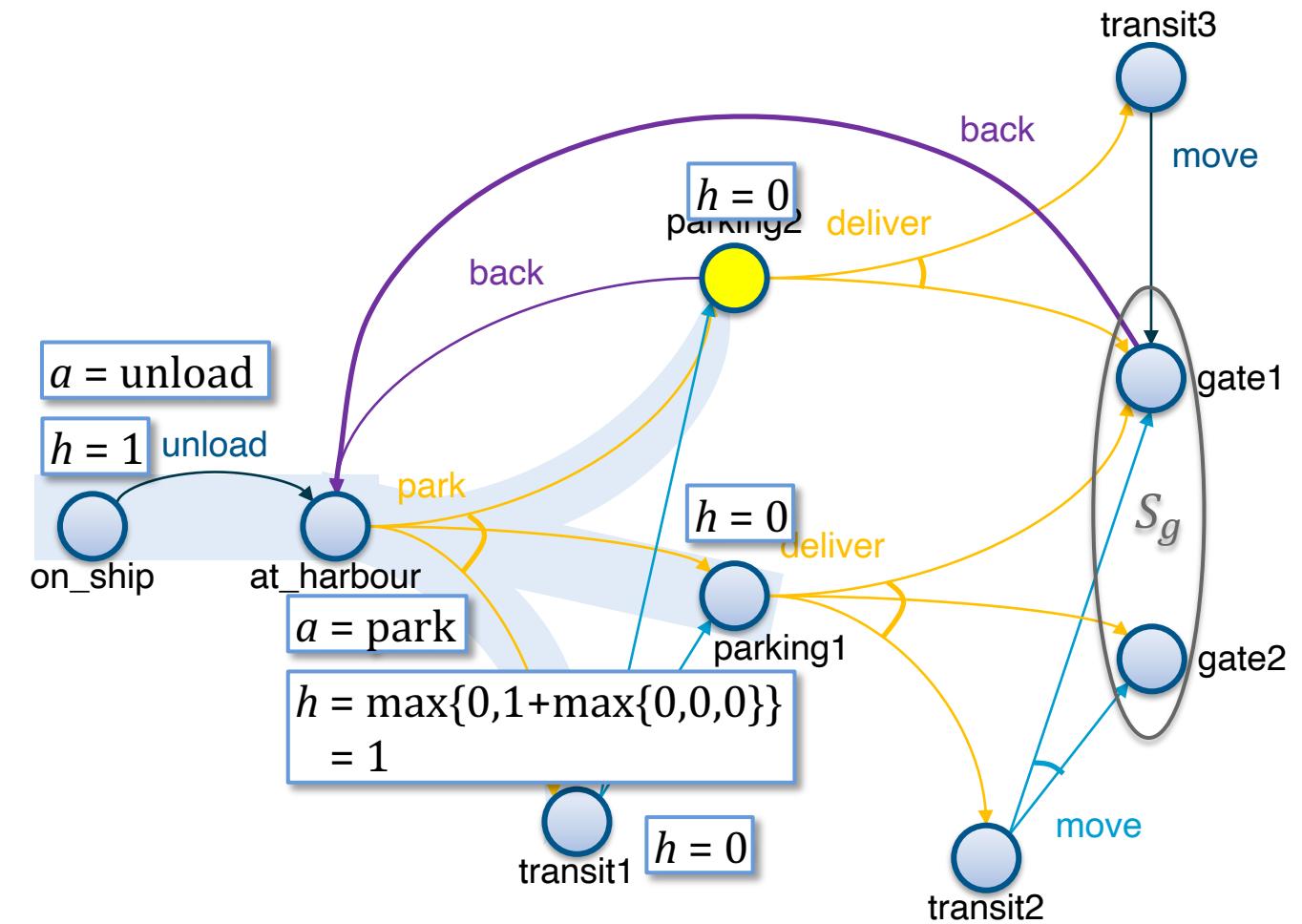
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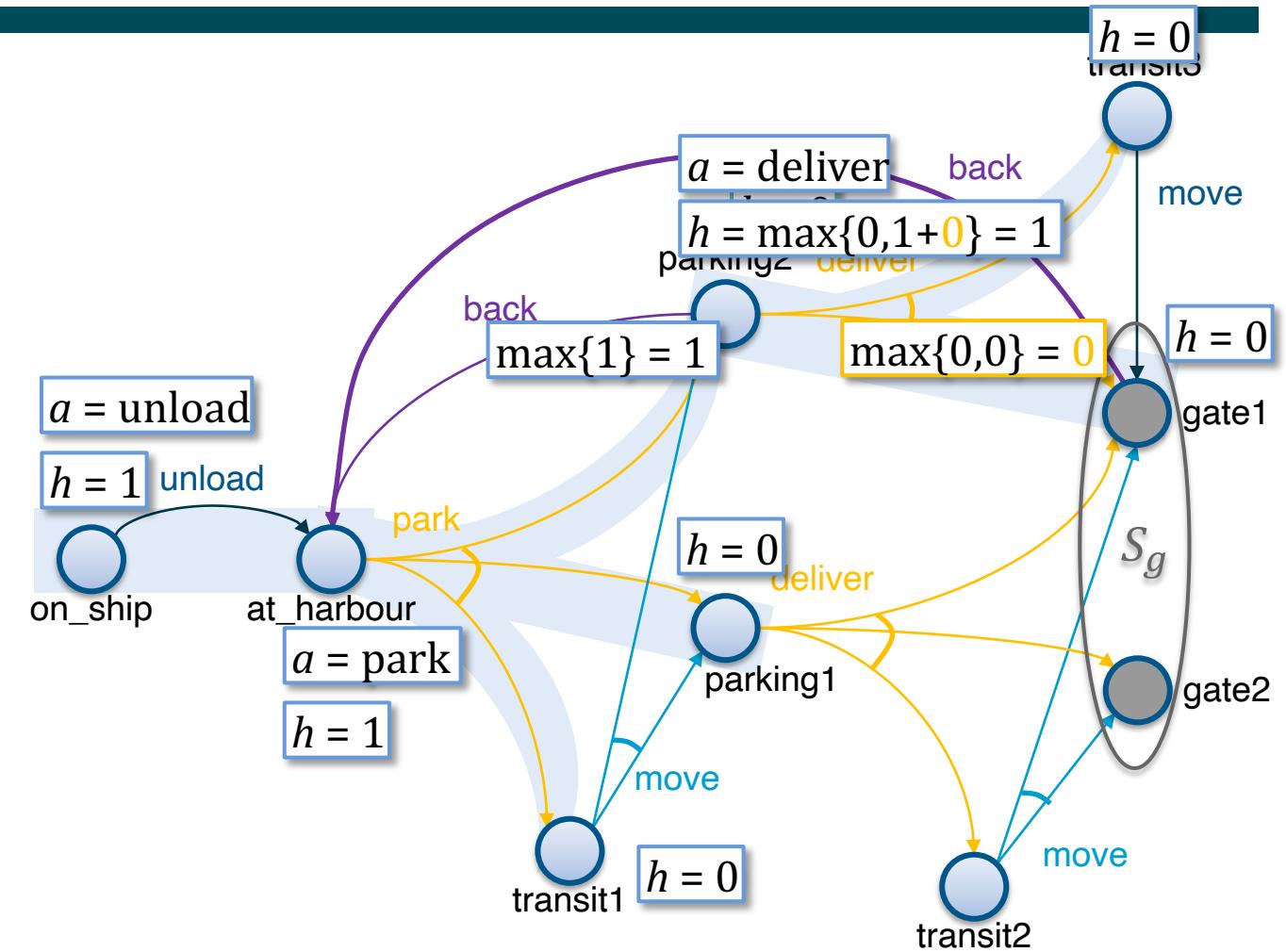
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Safely Explorable Domains

- **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

...
What about picking
a random action?

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
Run-Concurrent-Lookahead

Can put bounds on
both depth and breadth



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