

# Planning Problem Representation

Problem representations + Assignment #1-2

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# Lecture check

- Any questions regarding the lecture?

Teacher: any questions

Me: \*asks question\*

Teacher:



## **Thank you for your feedback!**

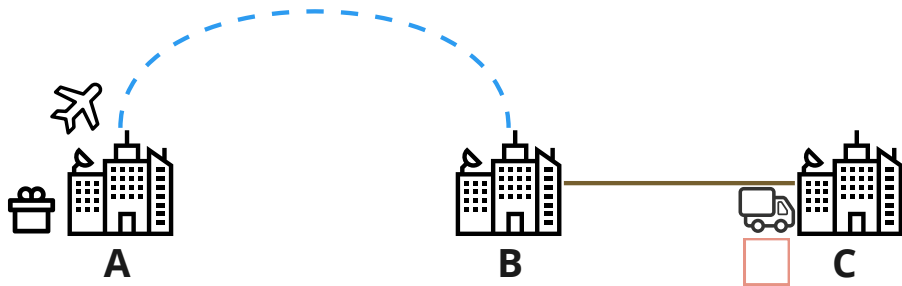
- 5 responses
- Suggestions
  - Slow down the tutorials a bit
  - Everyone keeps up with the lecture with no problems

- **STRIPS**
- **FDR**
- **Specify** the model
- Representations used in planners with the search algorithms
- PDDL → Grounding → STRIPS/FDR

- Process that creates **grounded** problem representation ready to be transformed into STRIPS, FDR, ...
- Many works on effective grounding, partial grounding, ...
- Can speed up a planner significantly

# Grounding

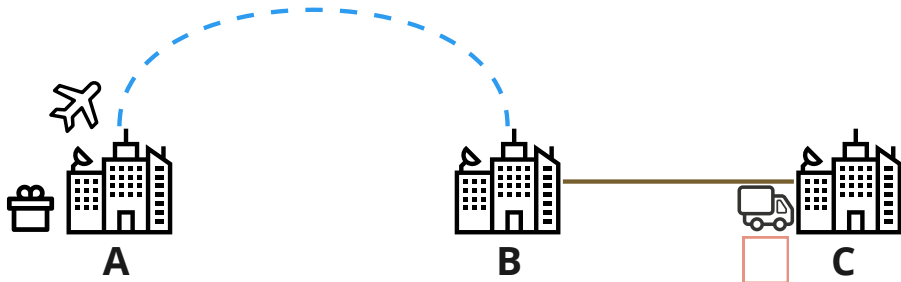
Let's create grounding for the example from the last time.



# Grounding

```
(:types  
  package vehicle - object  
  location  
  airplane truck - vehicle  
)
```

```
(:objects  
  A B C - location  
  t - truck  
  a - airplane  
  p - package  
)
```



## Ground all predicates

- Naive grounding → create all instances of predicates with existing objects

(:predicates

(at ?o - object ?l - location)

(in ?p - package ?v - vehicle)

(road ?l1 - location ?l2 - location)

(corridor ?l1 - location ?l2 - location)

(empty ?v - vehicle)

)



## Full naive grounding of predicates

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(at p C)	(road B C)	(corridor B C)
(empty a)	(road C B)	(corridor C B)
(empty t)	(road B B)	(corridor B B)
(in p a)	(road C C)	(corridor C C)
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## Ground all actions

- Naive grounding → create all instances of actions with existing objects

(load ?p - package ?l - location ?v - vehicle)

(unload ?p - package ?l - location ?v - vehicle)

(drive ?t - truck ?l1 - location ?l2 - location)

(fly ?a - airplane ?l1 - location ?l2 - location)

**Full naive grounding of actions** (*all preconditions and effects have to be grounded as well*)

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Now we have **full naive grounding** so we can start creating problem representations for planners!

STRIPS problem  $\Pi = \langle F, O, s_{init}, s_{goal}, c \rangle$

- $F = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$  (facts)
- $O = \{o_1, o_2, \dots, o_m\}$  (operators)
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- operators are **well-formed**
  - $add(o) \cap del(o) = \emptyset$
  - $pre(o) \cap add(o) = \emptyset$

## Applicable operator

Operator  $o$  is applicable in state  $s$  if  $pre(o) \subseteq s$ .

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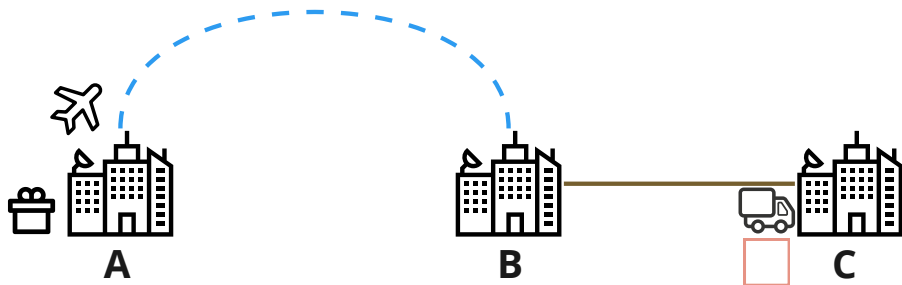
## Reachable state

State  $s$  is **reachable** if there exists an applicable sequence of operators  $\pi$  such that  $res(\pi, s_{init} = s)$ .

Set of all reachable states is denoted  $\mathcal{R}_\Pi$ .

# STRIPS Example

Let's formulate STRIPS representation for the logistics problem.



$$\Pi = \langle F, O, s_{init}, s_{goal}, c \rangle$$

## Full naive grounding of predicates corresponds to STRIPS facts

(at a A)  $\rightarrow$  a-A

(at a B)  $\rightarrow$  a-B

(at a C)  $\rightarrow$  a-C

(at t A)  $\rightarrow$  t-A

(at t B)  $\rightarrow$  t-B

(at t C)  $\rightarrow$  t-C

(at p A)  $\rightarrow$  p-A

(at p B)  $\rightarrow$  p-B

(at p C)  $\rightarrow$  p-C

(empty a)  $\rightarrow$  emp-a

(empty t)  $\rightarrow$  emp-t

(in p a)  $\rightarrow$  p-a

(in p t)  $\rightarrow$  p-t

(road A B)  $\rightarrow$  r-A-B

(road B A) ...

(road A A) ...

(road B B)  $\rightarrow$  r-B-B

(road A C) ...

(road C A) ...

(road A A) ...

(road C C) ...

(road B C)  $\rightarrow$  r-B-C

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(corridor A B)  $\rightarrow$  c-A-B

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(corridor A C) ...

(corridor C A)  $\rightarrow$  c-C-A

(corridor A A) ...

(corridor C C) ...

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(corridor C B) ...

(corridor B B)  $\rightarrow$  c-B-B

(corridor C C) ...

## Full naive grounding of actions can be transformed into STRIPS operators

(load p A t)

(load p B t)

(load p C t)

(load p A a)

(load p B a)

(load p C a)

(unload p A t)

(unload p B t)

(unload p C t)

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(unload p C a)

(drive t A A)

(drive t A B)

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(drive t B A)

(drive t B B)

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# STRIPS Example

## Lifted action

```
(:action load
  :parameters (
    ?p - package
    ?l - location
    ?v - vehicle)
  :precondition (and
    (at ?p ?l)
    (at ?v ?l)
    (empty ?v)
  )
  :effect (and
    (not (at ?p ?l))
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## Grounded action

```
(:action load
  :parameters (
    p - package
    A - location
    t - vehicle)
  :precondition (and
    (at p A)
    (at t A)
    (empty t)
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## STRIPS operator load-p-A-t

```
pre(load-p-A-t) = {}
add(load-p-A-t) = {}
del(load-p-A-t) = {}
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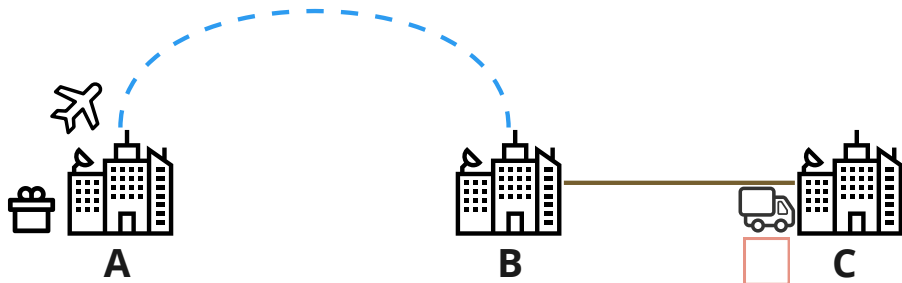
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$\text{pre}(\text{load-p-A-t}) = \{\text{p-A}, \text{t-A}, \text{emp-t}\}$

$\text{add}(\text{load-p-A-t}) = \{\text{p-t}\}$

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# STRIPS Example



$$\Pi = \langle F, O, s_{init}, s_{goal}, C \rangle$$

$F = \{a-A, a-B, \dots, t-A, \dots, p-A, \dots, emp-a, emp-t, r-A-A, \dots, c-A-A, \dots\}$

$O = \{load-p-A-t, \dots, unload-p-A-t, \dots, drive-t-A-A, \dots, fly-a-A-A, \dots\}$

$s_{init} = \{p-A, a-A, t-C, c-A-B, c-B-A, r-B-C, r-C-B\}$

$s_{goal} = \{p-C\}$

**BUT WAIT**



**THERE'S MORE**

FDR problem  $P = \langle \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{O}, s_{init}, s_{goal}, c \rangle$

- $\mathcal{V} = \{V_1, V_2, \dots, V_n\}$  (*finite set of variables*)
- $\mathcal{O} = \{o_1, o_2, \dots, o_m\}$  (*set of operators*)
- $s_{init}$  (*initial state*)
- $s_{goal}$  (*goal state*)
- $c(o_i) \in \mathbb{R}^+$

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- $\mathcal{V}$  (*finite set of variables*)
  - $V \in \mathcal{V}$  (*variable*)
  - $D_V$  (*finite domain of variable  $V$* )
- $s$  (*state*) is partial variable assignment over  $\mathcal{V}$ 
  - $\text{vars}(s) = V \in \mathcal{V}$  assigned in  $s$
  - $s[V]$  = value of  $V$  in  $s$
  - $s$  is **consistent** with  $s'$  if  $s[V] = s'[V]$  for all  $V \in \text{vars}(s')$
  - atom  $V = v$  is true in  $s$  if  $s[V] = v$

FDR operator  $o = \langle pre(o), eff(o) \rangle$

- $\mathcal{O}$  (set of operators)
  - $pre(o)$  = partial assignment over  $\mathcal{V}$  (preconditions)
  - $eff(o)$  = partial assignment over  $\mathcal{V}$  (effects)
  - $V = v$  cannot be in both  $pre(o)$  and  $eff(o)$



## Applicable operator

Operator  $o$  is applicable in state  $s$  if  $pre(o)$  is **consistent** with  $s$ .

**Resulting state**  $res(o, s) = \begin{cases} eff(o)[V], & \text{if } V \in vars(eff(o)) \\ s[V], & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

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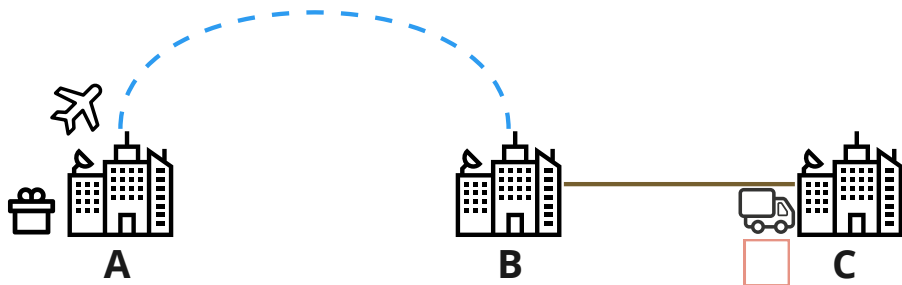
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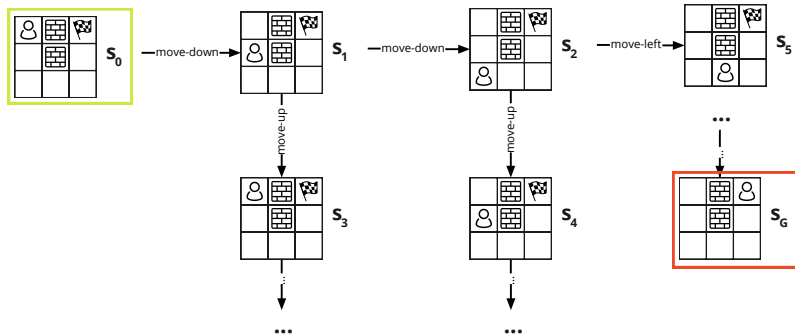
# FDR Example

Let's model the logistics example using FDR.



# Transition system

- Both STRIP and FDR have a notion of **state** and **operator**
  - $s_0$  is the initial state which gets expanded by using  $o \in O$  creating new state  $s' \rightarrow$  **transition system**



# Assignment #1-2 - Grounding

- Second part of the Assignment #1
- **Task:** implement a grounder for parsed PDDL files that will be base for the STRIPS representation in your planner
- **Points:** maximum 10
- **Deadlines**
  - 20.3.2023 - 23:59 (Monday)
  - 22.3.2023 - 23:59 (Wednesday)

All information is available on Courseware

- You know how to create naive grounding
- You know how to construct STRIPS and FDR representations
- You should be able to implement Assignment 1-2 - Grounding



Feedback form

