# Planning as a CSP

- Search over planning horizons.
- For each planning horizon, create a CSP constraining possible actions and features
- Also factor actions into action features.

### **Action Features**

- PUC: Boolean variable, the agent picks up coffee.
- DelC: Boolean variable, the agent delivers coffee.
- *PUM*: Boolean variable, the agent picks up mail.
- DelM: Boolean variable, the agent delivers mail.
- Move: variable with domain {mc, mac, nm} specifies whether the agent moves clockwise, anti-clockwise or doesn't move

## **CSP Variables**

#### Choose a planning horizon k.

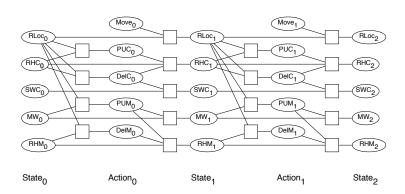
- Create a variable for each state feature and each time from 0 to k.
- Create a variable for each action feature for each time in the range 0 to k-1.

### Constraints

- state constraints that are constraints between variables at the same time step.
- precondition constraints between state variables at time t
  and action variables at time t that specify constraints on
  what actions are available from a state.
- effect constraints between state variables at time t, action variables at time t and state variables at time t + 1.
- action constraints that specify which actions cannot co-occur. These are sometimes called mutual exclusion or mutex constraints.
- initial state constraints that are usually domain constraints on the initial state (at time 0).
- goal constraints that constrains the final state to be a state that satisfies the goals that are to be achieved.



# CSP for Delivery Robot



 $RLoc_i$  — Rob's location  $RHC_i$  — Rob has coffee  $SWC_i$  — Sam wants coffee  $MW_i$  — Mail is waiting

RHM; — Rob has mail

Move<sub>i</sub> — Rob's move action PUC<sub>i</sub> — Rob picks up coffee DelC — Rob delivers coffee PUM<sub>i</sub> — Rob picks up mail DelM<sub>i</sub> — Rob delivers mail

## **Effect Constraint**

$RHC_i$	$DC_i$	$PUC_i$	$RHC_{i+1}$
true	true	true	true
true	true	false	false
true	false	true	true
true	false	false	true
false	true	true	true
false	true	false	false
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