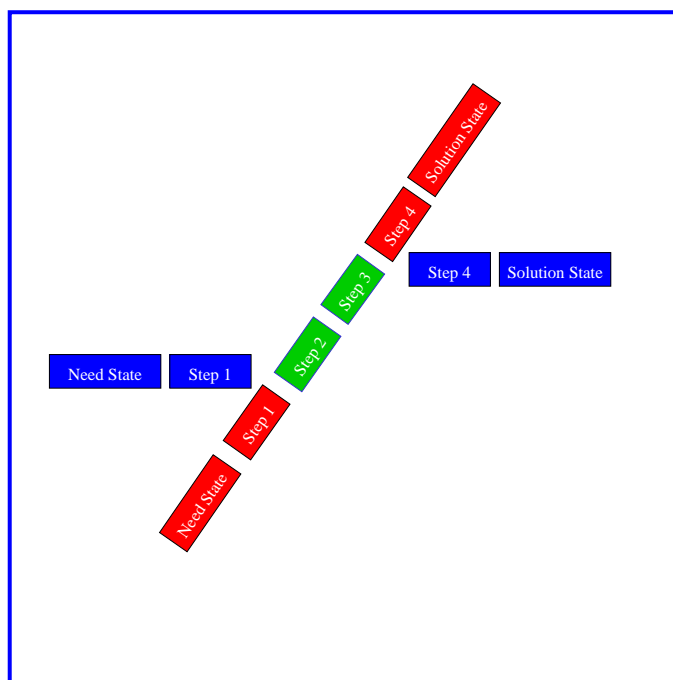


Step 5 - Glean Concepts

We have now linked to an analogous train of thought from somebody not even on the team and this analogy had nothing to do with work! Now, again withholding judgment and fighting the temptation to solve the problem, all we want to do is glean out all the concepts and processes that exist within this analogy.

What is going on within the analogous train of thought? The initial attempt can be offered by the contributor and then explored further by the team.

"That's like at the end of my hunting trip when I have to remove burrs to keep my clothes from sticking to each other."



We have a fastening system from nature. It is part of a plant, not metal. Yet it is strong enough to attach clothes. When you get the burr out, if you brush against it again it will surely stick again - it's repeatable. Under closer examination the burr uses flexible hooks to attach to loose fiber. Now we are not talking about exactly matching sides of the fastener, but two different mediums.

These are great concepts to explore, and in my diagram these borrowed concepts are shown in green, as shared steps between the two trains of thought.