

Introduction to Embedded Systems

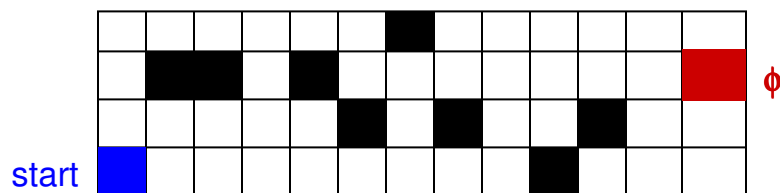
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Lecture 14: Reachability Analysis

A Robot delivery service, with moving obstacles



ϕ = destination for robot

At any time step:

Robot can move Left, Right, Up, Down, Stay Put

Environment can move one obstacle Up or Down or Stay Put

→ But only 5 times total

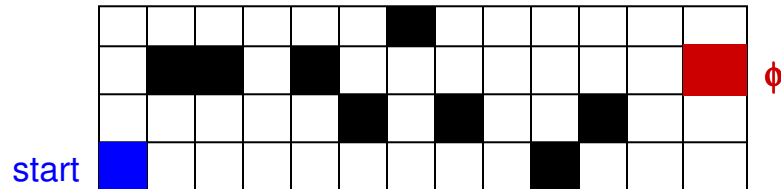
Can model Robot and Env as FSMs

→ Robot state = its position,

→ Env state = positions of obstacles and counts

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A Robot delivery service, with moving obstacles



ϕ = robot delivers item to destination

Goal to be achieved can be stated in temporal logic

$\mathbf{F} \phi$

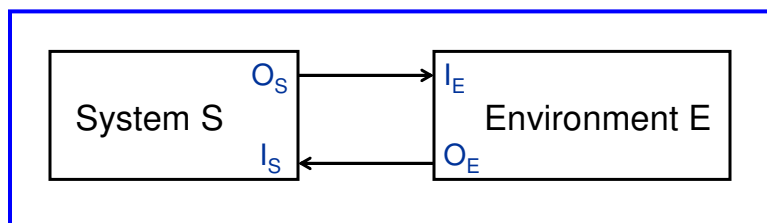
How can we find a path for the robot from starting point to the destination?

→ This is an example of a “reachability problem”

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Solving the Reachability Problem

- Construct FSMs for Robot and Environment
- Compose FSMs to form a new FSM
- Check whether the goal state is reachable from the start state



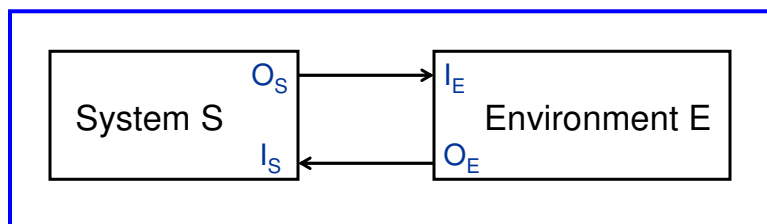
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- this composed system is closed!
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Recall: a ND FSM is a 5-tuple

(States, Inputs, Outputs, possibleUpdates, initialStates)

For a closed system, Inputs = Outputs = \emptyset

Denote:

States – Q , possibleUpdates – δ , initialStates – Q_0

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Note: Although we write Q as part of M , typically we don't
have the set of states Q

- it's too large!!!

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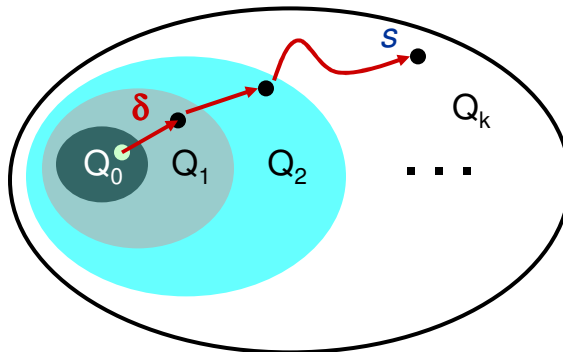
“ s is reachable from a start state”

in Temporal Logic?

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Outline of Approach

- Generate the state graph by repeated application of δ
- If the goal state reached, stop & report success. Else, continue until all states are seen.



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The Reachability Algorithm

Input: Description of M : (Q_0, δ) , s

Output: Is s reachable from Q_0 ?

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Init:  $S := S_{new} := Q_0$ ;  
while ( $S_{new} \neq \emptyset$ ) {  
  if ( $s \in S_{new}$ )  
    return YES;  
   $S' := \{ q \mid \exists p \in S \text{ s.t. } q \in \delta(p) \} \cup S$   
   $S_{new} := S' \setminus S$ ;  
}
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Suppose we have a Robot that must pick up multiple things, in any order

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How would you state this goal in temporal logic?

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→ Do repeated reachability, first from Q_0 to reach ϕ_1 , then from ϕ_1 to reach ϕ_2 , then ϕ_2 to reach ϕ_3 , ...

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Student question: Suppose we have a Robot that must pick up multiple things, *in a specified order*

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$$\mathbf{F}(\phi_1 \wedge \mathbf{F}(\phi_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \mathbf{F}\phi_n))$$

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Exercise

Can we do reachability analysis backwards?

I.e.: start with s instead of Q_0 , and then follow the update function δ backwards...