

Cooperative Drones

Third Homework Assignment

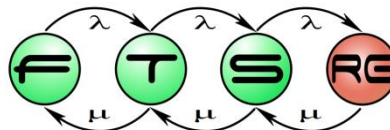
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Hibatűrő Rendszerek Kutatócsoport



Sirius ↔ Xtext ↔ Simulation

- Sirius
 - Edit any structural instance model
- Xtext
 - Import structural instance model
 - Generate behaviour model, not Java files
- Simulation
 - Behaviour is processed, events are „generated” into event chains
 - Event chaining instead of Java file generation

Simulation

- We simulate the execution of a drone's program (behav. model XMI files taken as input)
- “Executed” drone program instructions generate DESMO-J events
- The following features / properties are all taken into account:
 - Drone min. / max. velocity, CPU performance, memory size
 - Distance between drones (communication)
 - Drone battery drains on every instruction and recharges while nearby its charge station
 - Collision: drones, field objects
 - Drone action support; range of actions

Simulation Events

■ Instruction Events

- Move*, Choice, Lift, SendMessage, PerformAction, Instruct, ...

■ External Events

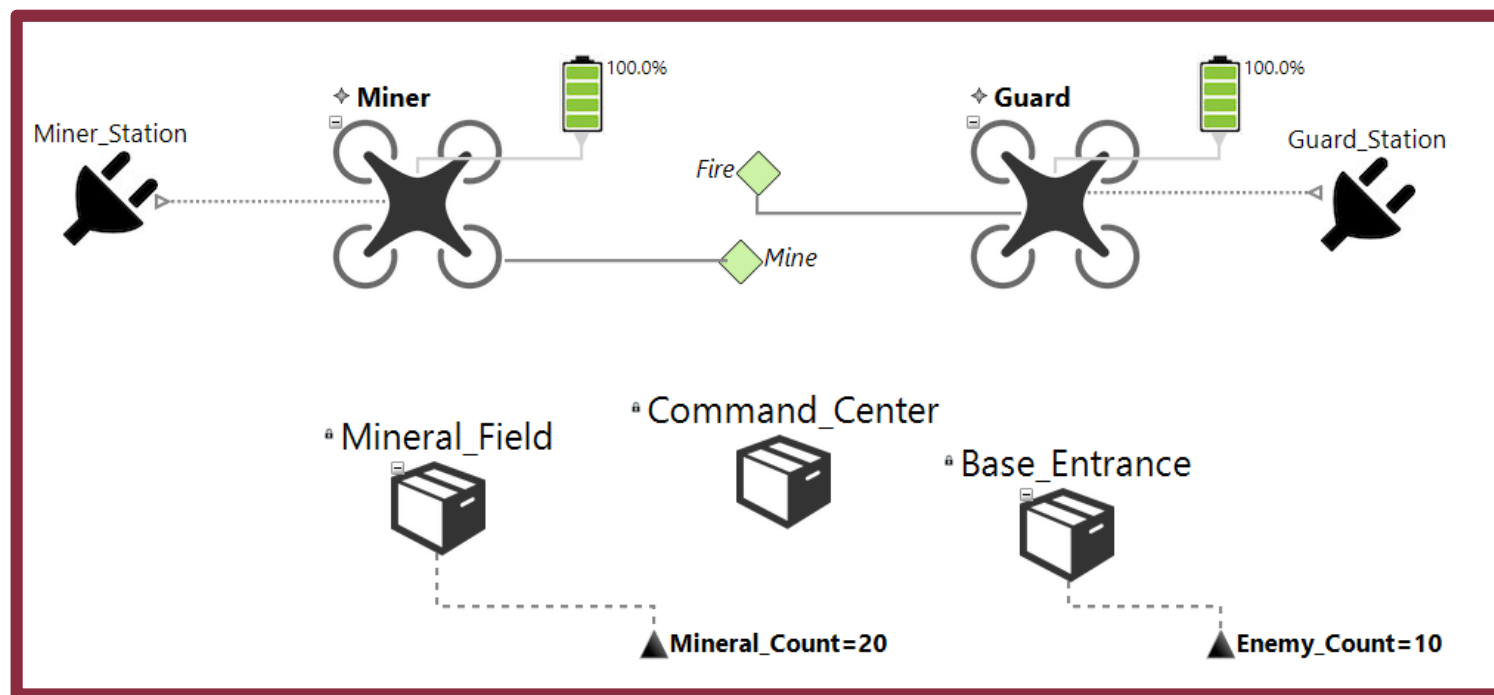
- Communication
 - MessageDropped, MessageDelivered ...
- Timely
 - BatteryCharged, BatteryDepleted ...
- Accidental
 - DroneCollided, exceptions* ...

Simulation Metrics

- DESMO-J Counters
 - Battery death
 - Message drop
 - Executed instructions
 - Number of collisions

Example – StarCraft

- Two drones
 - Miner
 - Guard
- Mineral field
 - Mineable
- Base Entrance
 - Enemies
- Charge stations
 - Full battery at start



Example – StarCraft

- Miner drone behaviour
 - While there are minerals
 - Move to mineral field
 - Mine
 - Return minerals
 - Return to charge station

```
import "platform:/resource/hu.bme.mit.mdsd.dns2016.drones.behaviour.instance/models/starcraft.drones"

@behav MinerBehav (interrupt = true);

drones { Miner }

// While there are still minerals left to mine
@while (Mineral_Field.Mineral_Count > 0) {
    // Move to the mineral field, mine, then go back to the command center
    moveto Mineral_Field;
    action Mine on Mineral_Field;
    moveto Command_Center;
}

moveto Miner_Station;
```

Example – StarCraft

- Guard drone behaviour
 - While there are minerals
 - Move to mineral field
 - Mine
 - Return to base

```
behav GuardBehav (interrupt = false);
drones {Guard}

moveto Base_Entrance;

// While there are still minerals left to mine
while (Mineral_Field.Mineral_Count > 0) {

    // Move to base entrance and check if there are enemies nearby
    moveto Base_Entrance;
    if (Base_Entrance.Enemy_Count > 0) {

        // Instruct the miners to move to safety
        send instruct {
            moveto Command_Center;
            waitfor SafeToComeOut 20.0 {
                wait 0.5;
            } timeout {
                wait 0.5;
            }
        }

        // Fire at enemies
        while (Base_Entrance.Enemy_Count > 0) {
            action Fire on Base_Entrance;
            wait 1.0;
        }

        // Move back to the station
        moveto Guard_Station;
        wait 10.0;
    }
}

moveto Guard_Station;
```


Spoiler Alert!



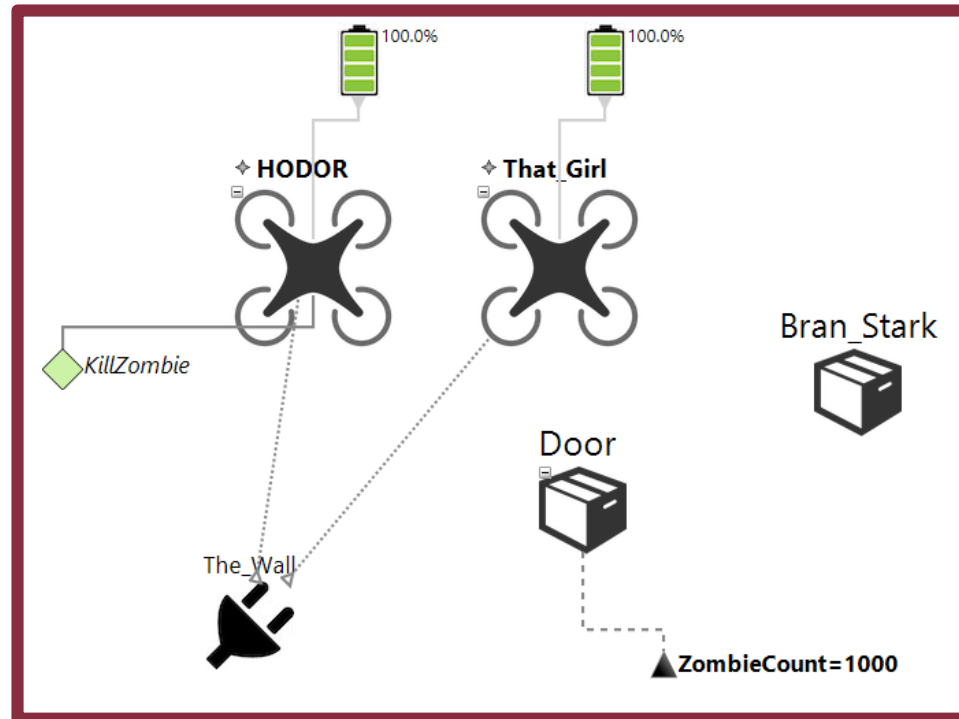
Example – GoT

- Two drones

- Hodor
- That Girl

- The door

- Must be held at all costs



Example – GoT

■ That girl

○ Instruct Hodor

- Hold the door!
- Action KillZombie

○ Wait for response

- Pick up Bran
- Move to the Wall

■ Hodor

○ Wait for message

- Send response

```
⊖behav ThatGirl (interrupt = false);  
  drones { That_Girl }  
  
  wait 3.0;  
  
  send msg Hold_the_door;  
  
⊖waitfor HODOR 30.0 {  
  lift Bran_Stark;  
} timeout {  
  send msg MEH;  
}  
  
⊖send instruct {  
  moveto Door;  
  
  while (Door.ZombieCount > 0) {  
    action KillZombie on Door;  
  }  
  
  send msg HODOR;  
}  
  
moveto The_Wall;  
place object;
```

```
⊖behav HodorBehav (interrupt = true);  
  drones { HODOR }  
  
⊖waitfor Hold_the_door 30.0 {  
  send msg HODOR;  
} timeout {  
  wait 1.0;  
}
```

Extras

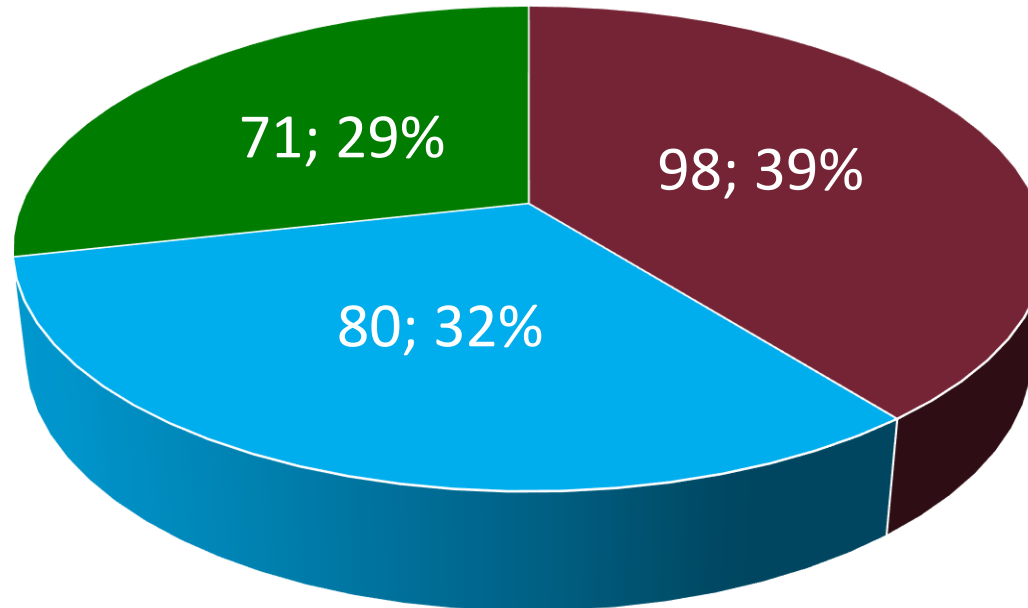
■ Definitive extras

- Conditions and loops in the behav. model
- Drone communication range + message queues
- Moving obstacles (drone payload)
- Dynamically modifiable event chains (support for manual instructions and events)

■ Has some value

- Intuitive and easy-to-use behaviour programming with Xtext (+ validation)
- Refined collision detection (and 3D movement)

Division of Work



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Q & A

