3806ICT - Week 7 Lab

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Task 2 - The Bridge Problem

The fastest way to solve the bridge problem is by having the knight and lady go (2 minutes) then the knight back (2+1=3 minutes) followed by the king and queen (3+10=13 mins). After this the lady goes back (13+2=15 mins) and the knight and lady cross over to finish (15+2=17 mins).

Task 3 - Explaining PAT

The first section (lines 4-9) defines the constants using $\#definevar \leq value \geq$. Max is the most amount of time allowed KNIGHT is the amount of time it takes for the knight to cross, and so on for the people. Following this we define vars (lines 11-15) with $varvarName = \leq value \geq$. These are variables that can be changed, and these symbolise the side that the people are on for each person.

Next we need to define the processes in lines 17-37 (usually called models) which has the syntax of processName() = [condition]actionNameaction->nextProcess[].... To explain, processName is the name of the process (in our case South()), and condition is a conditional statement to be allowed to do the action. Next the actionName is what it prints as the action for record and action is what it actually does. Next we define which process to go to after doing this in nextProcess and the square brackets essentially functions as a comma between actions.

In line 41 we do #definegoal(conditional); which defines the conditional for when a node is considered successful which we use in #assertprocessName()reachesgoal on lines 44-46. Essentially, this means that the model has a state where a node in the search has a state that satisfies the goal. To expand on this we can pick which node to print using withselection(var) in line 46 which picks which node to print - in our case we want the minimum.

For our output with the minimum time, it looks like this:

*******Verification Result*******

The Assertion (South() reaches goal with min(time)) is VALID and min(time) = 17 among 1 reachable states. The following trace leads to a state where the condition is satisfied with the above value.

<init -> go_knight_lady -> back_knight -> go_king_queen -> back_lady -> go_knight_lady>

*******Verification Setting*******
Admissible Behavior: All

Search Engine: First Witness Trace using Depth First Search

System Abstraction: False

*******Verification Statistics********

Visited States:194 Total Transitions:375 Time Used:0.0064424s

Estimated Memory Used:9617.568KB