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FSM simulator User's Guide

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### User Guide for my FSM simulator:

### I. Compilation: N.B: added -pthread argument

Method 1:

make

Method 2:

g++ -pthread -std=c++11 -ggdb -fno-elide-constructors -o MFSMtest \*.cpp

II. Run:

./MFSMtest testfiles/mFsm#N.mfsm

, where #N is the number of the mfsm machine in words, i.e: One,Two,Three,etc ...

In my case (as an example):

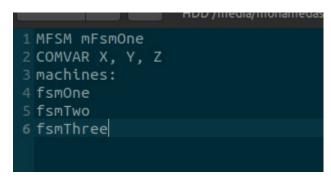
./MFSMtest testfiles/mFsmOne.fsm

### **III.** How to use the Simulator

### A. Theoratically

- A. First step is to create your FSMs each FSM has the its number "In words", i.e FsmOne, FsmTwo, etc..
- B. In each FSM, First start by defining the MFsm Machine name, Variables, states, required actions, and transitions.
- C. The machine name will be the same as the file name
- D. Initially all the variables are set to 0
- E. Then the first state in the file will be the initial state to start the machine
- F. Then the user will be prompted to enter the next transition and according to the transition lines stated in the file.
- G. There is also error reporting in the run if the user entered a transition that does not exist for a certain state.
- H. For the MFSM, start by creating a file with prefix mFsm and the mfsm number in words, i.e, mFsmOne, mFsmTwo, mFsmThree, etc...

- I. Then define a section called "COMVAR" this section will contain the common variable (global variables) to be shared between all FSMs.
- J. Then Define a section called "Machines" having the list of the FSM machines on separate lines.
- K. Below is a screenshot of how the mFsm file should look like:



# B. Practically: (this section contains two methods of running and visualizing the output):

- 1. Terminal outputs:
  - Just run the machine and follow the instructions
- 2. Using the Tail Command which requires outputting to files and tracking the changes that happen to the files as the machines are running:
  - *Steps to use this method:*
  - navigate to the outputFiles folder in the submission folder: cd testfiles/outputFiles
  - 2. After running the machines open #N number of terminals, where #N is the number of machines in the mfsm file.
  - 3. For example if we have three FSM machines in the MFSM file, we need to open three terminals. And run the command tail -F OUTfsm#N, where #N is the number of the machine in words.

## Commands (examle of three machines):

- 1. After running the mfsm
- 2. *cd testfiles/outputFiles*
- 3. open three terminals:
  - A. Terminal1: tail-FOUTfsmOne.fsm
  - B. Terminal2: tail-FOUTfsmTwo.fsm
  - C. Terminal3: tail-FOUTfsmThree.fsm

## II. Below are screenshots of the output:

Note: Method 2 also supports method 1, method 1 is always used.

### A. Method 1:

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#### B. Method 2:

