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1 Utility functions

The Code for this task is attached in the appendix A.1.

1.1 Version

The Implementation of Version is relatively straight forward and thoroughly tested by unit tests, which include the examples from the exam text. I did ended up with a not working implementation before, so I ended up reimplementing the function which is now working as it should.

1.2 Merge

Merge is implemented as described in the exam text and tested with many different examples in the unit tests, which all run through. I had some problems with matching the constraints together, since I kind of lost overview of the function. Especially ending up when merging only with same package and the different ones (not matching) where not added to the resulting list but in the end just forgot to append the rest to the result.

1.3 Assessment

The Utility functions seems to work as intended, as least I was able to reuse them in the parser, and thanks to lots of unit tests to both functions I do believe they work as they should.

2 Parsing appm databases

2.1 Choice of parser library

I implemented the Parser for appm in parsec, mostly out of this reason:

- Better Error handling compared to ReadP
- I do have more experience with Parsec then ReadP (Assignments)

I did end up using `try` quite a lot, which wasn't my intention at all but with the presented Grammar I haven't found a better solution and overall the parser works more or less.

2.2 Grammar

I decided to make a more strict choice about the Clauses, by parsing them in a fixed ordering (name first etc.), I didn't find much of a better solution for that grammar.

2.3 Assessment

I did quite a few unit tests for the parser (including failing ones), since not everything ended up to be working or there was just not enough time left to fixing all the bugs which showed up.

3 Solver

4 Earls of Ravnica

The code for this task can be found in Appendix

4.1 Solution

4.2 Implementation

The earls of Ravnica can be seen as a state machine for which I chose to use `gen_statem`. The following states exist:

- Under Configuration
- Under Activation
- Active
- Shutting down

4.3 Data Structure

The Data structure I used to implement Ravnica consists of a map with following entries:

- **description** Saves the description which gets saved when starting a server
- **connections** Map for Handling the connections from one District to an other
- **creatures** Map for handling all the entered/active creatures on a Server
- **trigger** Set a trigger for a district

4.4 All states

Messages which get accepted in all states.

4.4.1 `get_description`

Gets the description `Desc` which gets set on create of a District.

4.5 Under configuration

As soon as a Server started it is in the `under_configuration` state.

4.5.1 `connect`

Connects 2 District with a Action, by saving it in the `connections` map, connects can only be made while district is under configuration in other states an error gets returned.

4.5.2 `trigger`

Under configuration also a trigger can be added to the server, here always the last one gets taken (overwriting whit the newest one). Trigger gets rung whenever a creature enters or leaves a district.

4.6 Under activation

When `activate` gets called the district and it's neighbors need to get activated, `under_activation` is a intermediate state until all neighbors and the district itself are activated. In case the neighbors can't be activated (for example when a neighbor got shutdown), then the server goes back to the state of `under_configuration`.

4.6.1 `activate`

Activate tries to activate all it's neighbors and changes the state of the server to `active` or back to `under_configuration`.

4.7 Active

In the active state, no more new connections can be added, also no triggers. So as soon as a district and it's neighbors is activated, it should only be possible to either run `get_description`, `enter` or `take_action` and of course shutting down.

4.8 Shutting down

When shutting down is called all neighbors of a district will be shut down as well and this can be propagated until all districts and it's neighbors are shutdown.

4.8.1 shutdown

4.9 Territories with cycle

A Code Listing

A.1 Question 1.1: handin/appm/src/Utils.hs

```
1  module Utils where
2
3  -- Any auxiliary code to be shared by Parser, Solver, or tests
4  -- should be placed here.
5
6  import Defs
7
8  instance Ord Version where
9      (<=) (V []) (V []) = True
10     (<=) (V ((VN _ _):_)) (V []) = False
11     (<=) (V []) (V ((VN _ _):_)) = True
12     (<=) (V ((VN v1int v1str) : vnmb1)) (V ((VN v2int v2str) : vnmb2))
13         | v1int < v2int = True
14         | v1int > v2int = False
15         | length(v1str) < length(v2str) = True
16         | length(v1str) > length(v2str) = False
17         | v1str < v2str = True
18         | v1str > v2str = False
19         | otherwise = (V vnmb1) <= (V vnmb2)
20
21 merge :: Constrs -> Constrs -> Maybe Constrs
22 merge [] [] = Just []
23 merge c1 [] = Just c1
24 merge [] c2 = Just c2
25 merge (const:c1) (c2) = case constInC2 const c2 [] of
26     Just x -> merge c1 (x)
27     Nothing -> Nothing
28
29 -- Check if Constraint from c1 is in the Constraint list C2
30 constInC2 :: (PName, PConstr) -> Constrs -> Constrs -> Maybe Constrs
31 constInC2 const [] x = Just (x ++ [const])
32 constInC2 const (c2const:c2tail) x =
33     case fst const == fst c2const of
34         True -> case mergeConst (snd const) (snd c2const) of
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35             Nothing -> Nothing
36             Just mconst -> Just (x ++ [(fst const,
37                                     ↳ mconst)] ++ c2tail)
38             False -> constInC2 const c2tail (x ++ [c2const])
39
40 -- Compare the 2 Constraints with
41 mergeConst :: PConstr -> PConstr -> Maybe PConstr
42 mergeConst (b1,c1v1,c1v2) (b2,c2v1,c2v2)
43   | c1v2 <= c2v1 = Nothing
44   | c2v2 <= c1v1 = Nothing
45   | b1 == True && b2 == True = Just (b1, (largest c1v1 c2v1),
46   ↳ (smallest c1v2 c2v2))
47   | b1 == False && b2 == False = Just (b1, (largest c1v1 c2v1),
48   ↳ (smallest c1v2 c2v2))
49   | b1 == True && b2 == False = Just (b1, (largest c1v1 c2v1),
50   ↳ (smallest c1v2 c2v2))
51   | b1 == False && b2 == True = Just (b2, (largest c1v1 c2v1),
52   ↳ (smallest c1v2 c2v2))
53 mergeConst _ _ = Nothing
54
55 -- Return the smaller of 2 Versions
56 smallest :: Version -> Version -> Version
57 smallest v1 v2 =
58   case v1 <= v2 of
59     True -> v1
60     False -> v2
61
62 -- Returns the bigger of 2 Versions
63 largest :: Version -> Version -> Version
64 largest v1 v2 =
65   case v1 >= v2 of
66     True -> v1
67     False -> v2

```

A.2 Question 2.1: handin/ravnica/district.erl

```

1 -module(district).
2 -behaviour(gen_statem).
3 -export([create/1,
4         get_description/1,
5         connect/3,
6         activate/1,
7         options/1,
8         enter/2,
9         take_action/3,
10        shutdown/2,
11        trigger/2]).

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12  %% Gen_state callbacks
13  -export([terminate/3, code_change/4, init/1, callback_mode/0]).
14  %State Functions
15  -export([under_configuration/3, active/3, shutting_down/3,
16    ↪ under_activation/3]).
17  -type passage() :: pid().
18  -type creature_ref() :: reference().
19  -type creature_stats() :: map().
20  -type creature() :: {creature_ref(), creature_stats()}.
21  -type trigger() :: fun((entering | leaving, creature(), [creature()])
22    ↪ {creature(), [creature()]}).
23
24  -spec create(string()) -> {ok, passage()} | {error, any()}.
25  create(Desc) ->
26    gen_statem:start(?MODULE, Desc, []).
27
28  -spec get_description(passage()) -> {ok, string()} | {error, any()}.
29  get_description(District) ->
30    gen_statem:call(District, get_description).
31
32  -spec connect(passage(), atom(), passage()) -> ok | {error, any()}.
33  connect(From, Action, To) ->
34    gen_statem:call(From, {connect, Action, To}).
35
36  -spec activate(passage()) -> active | under_activation | impossible.
37  activate(District) ->
38    gen_statem:call(District, activate).
39
40  -spec options(passage()) -> {ok, [atom()]} | none.
41  options(District) ->
42    gen_statem:call(District, options).
43
44  -spec enter(passage(), creature()) -> ok | {error, any()}.
45  enter(District, Creature) ->
46    gen_statem:call(District, {enter, Creature}).
47
48  -spec take_action(passage(), creature_ref(), atom()) -> {ok, passage()} |
49    ↪ {error, any()}.
50  take_action(From, CRef, Action) ->
51    gen_statem:call(From, {take_action, CRef, Action}).
52
53  -spec shutdown(passage(), pid()) -> ok.
54  shutdown(District, NextPlane) ->
55    gen_statem:call(District, {shutdown, NextPlane}).
56
57  -spec trigger(passage(), trigger()) -> ok | {error, any()} | not_supported.
58  trigger(District, Trigger) ->
59    gen_statem:call(District, {trigger, Trigger}).

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59
60
61 %% States
62 handle_event({call, From}, get_description, Data) ->
63     case maps:is_key(description, Data) of
64         true -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {ok, maps:get(description,
65             ↪ Data)}}};
66         false -> {error, "No Description"}
67     end;
68
69 handle_event({call, From}, options, Data) ->
70     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {ok, maps:keys(maps:get(connections,
71         ↪ Data)}}}};
72
73 % ignore all other unhandled events
74 handle_event({call, From}, activate, Data) ->
75     {next_state, active, Data, {reply, From, ok}};
76
77 handle_event({call, From}, {run_action, CRef, Stats}, Data) ->
78     case maps:is_key(CRef, maps:get(creatures, Data)) of
79         true -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Creature is already in
80             ↪ this District"}}};
81         false -> NewCreatures = maps:put(CRef, Stats, maps:get(creatures,
82             ↪ Data)),
83             NewData = maps:update(creatures, NewCreatures, Data),
84             {keep_state, NewData, {reply, From, ok}}
85     end;
86
87 % Handle Enter on other states
88 handle_event({call, From}, {enter, _}, Data) ->
89     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Can't enter in this state"}}};
90
91 % Shutdown can be called in any state
92 handle_event({call, From}, {shutdown, NextPlane}, Data) ->
93     NextPlane ! {shutting_down, From, maps:to_list(maps:get(creatures,
94         ↪ Data))},
95     {next_state, shutting_down, Data, {next_event, internal, {From,
96         ↪ NextPlane}}};
97
98 handle_event({call, From}, {trigger, _Trigger}, Data) ->
99     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Can't set a trigger in this
100         ↪ state"}}};
101
102 handle_event({call, From}, {connect, _Action, _To}, Data) ->
103     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Can't connect in this state"}}};
104
105 % ignore all other unhandled events
106 handle_event(_EventType, _EventContent, Data) ->
107     {keep_state, Data}.

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101
102 under_configuration({call, From}, {connect, Action, To}, Data) ->
103   case is_process_alive(To) of
104     true -> case maps:is_key(Action, maps:get(connections, Data)) of
105       false -> Connections = maps:put(Action, To,
106         ↪ maps:get(connections, Data)),
107         NewData = maps:update(connections, Connections, Data),
108         {keep_state, NewData, {reply, From, ok}};
109       true -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Action
110         ↪ already exists"}}}
111     end;
112     false -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Process not alive
113       ↪ anymore"}}}
114   end;
115
116 under_configuration({call, From}, activate, Data) ->
117   {next_state, under_activation, Data, {next_event, internal, From}};
118
119 under_configuration({call, From}, {trigger, Trigger}, Data) ->
120   NewData = maps:update(trigger, Trigger, Data),
121   {keep_state, NewData, {reply, From, ok}};
122
123 %% General Event Handling for state under_configuration
124 under_configuration(EventType, EventContent, Data) ->
125   handle_event(EventType, EventContent, Data).
126
127 under_activation(internal, From, Data) ->
128   Result = broadcast_connection(maps:to_list(maps:get(connections, Data)),
129     ↪ From, active),
130   case Result of
131     impossible -> {next_state, under_configuration, Data, {reply, From,
132       ↪ Result}};
133     active -> {next_state, active, Data, {reply, From, Result}}
134   end;
135
136 under_activation({call, From}, activate, Data) ->
137   {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, under_activation}};
138
139 under_activation({call, From}, options, Data) ->
140   {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {ok, maps:keys(maps:get(connections,
141     ↪ Data))}}};
142
143 %% General Event Handling for state under_activation
144 under_activation(EventType, EventContent, Data) ->
145   handle_event(EventType, EventContent, Data).
146
147 active({call, From}, {enter, {Ref, Stats}}, Data) ->
148   case maps:is_key(Ref, maps:get(creatures, Data)) of

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144   true -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Creture is already in
    ↳ this District"}}};
145   false -> Creatures = maps:get(creatures, Data),
146     case maps:get(trigger, Data) of
147       none -> Creature1 = none, Creatures1 = none;
148       Trigger -> case run_trigger(Trigger, entering, {Ref, Stats},
    ↳ Creatures) of
149         {error, _} -> Creature1 = none, Creatures1 = none;
150         {Creature1, Creatures1} -> {Creature1, Creatures1}
151       end
152     end,
153     case {Creature1, Creatures1} of
154       {none, none} -> NewCreatures = maps:put(Ref, Stats,
    ↳ maps:get(creatures, Data)),
155       NewData = maps:update(creatures, NewCreatures, Data);
156       {{Ref1, Stats1}, NewCreatures1} -> NewCreatures = maps:put(Ref1,
    ↳ Stats1, maps:from_list(NewCreatures1)),
157       NewData = maps:update(creatures, NewCreatures, Data)
158     end,
159     {keep_state, NewData, {reply, From, ok}}
160   end;
161
162   active({call, From}, {take_action, CRef, Action}, Data) ->
163     case maps:is_key(Action, maps:get(connections, Data)) of
164       true ->
165         case maps:is_key(CRef, maps:get(creatures, Data)) of
166           false -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Creature doesn't
    ↳ exist in this district"}}};
167           true -> case maps:get(trigger, Data) of
168             none -> Creature1 = none, Creatures1 = none;
169             Trigger ->
170               RemoveCreature = maps:remove(CRef, maps:get(creatures,
    ↳ Data)),
171               RemovedData = maps:update(creatures, RemoveCreature,
    ↳ Data),
172               case run_trigger(Trigger, leaving, {CRef, maps:get(CRef,
    ↳ maps:get(creatures, Data))},
173                 maps:get(creatures, RemovedData)) of
174                 {error, _} -> Creature1 = none, Creatures1 = none;
175                 {Creature1, Creatures1} -> {Creature1, Creatures1}
176               end
177             end,
178             case {Creature1, Creatures1} of
179               {none, none} -> NewDataCreatures = Data;
180               {{Ref, Stats}, _} -> NewCreatures = maps:put(Ref, Stats,
    ↳ maps:get(creatures, Data)),
181               NewDataCreatures = maps:update(creatures, NewCreatures, Data)
182             end,

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183         {NewData, To} = creature_leave(CRef, Action, From,
184         ↪ NewDataCreatures),
185     case NewData of
186     error -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, To}}};
187     _ -> {keep_state, NewData, {reply, From, {ok, To}}}
188     end
189     end;
190     false -> {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, {error, "Action doesn't
191     ↪ exist"}}}
192     end;
193     active({call, From}, activate, Data) ->
194     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, active}};
195     %% Handle Calls to active
196     active(EventType, EventContent, Data) ->
197     handle_event(EventType, EventContent, Data).
198
199     shutting_down(internal, {From, NextPlane}, Data) ->
200     Result = broadcast_shutdown(maps:to_list(maps:get(connections, Data)),
201     ↪ From, NextPlane),
202     {stop_and_reply, normal, {reply, From, Result}};
203
204     shutting_down({call, From}, activate, Data) ->
205     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, impossible}};
206
207     shutting_down({call, From}, options, Data) ->
208     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, none}};
209
210     shutting_down({call, From}, shutdown, Data) ->
211     {keep_state, Data, {reply, From, ok}};
212
213     %% Handle Calls to shutting_down
214     shutting_down(EventType, EventContent, Data) ->
215     handle_event(EventType, EventContent, Data).
216
217     %% Mandatory callback functions
218     terminate(_Reason, _State, _Data) ->
219     void.
220
221     code_change(_Vsn, State, Data, _Extra) ->
222     {ok, State, Data}.
223
224     % initial State under_configuration
225     init(Desc) ->
226     %% Set the initial state + data
227     State = under_configuration, Data = #{description => Desc, connections =>
228     ↪ #{}, creatures => #{}, trigger => none},
229     {ok, State, Data}.

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228
229 callback_mode() -> state_functions.
230
231 %% Synchronous Call which should wait until each response
232 broadcast_shutdown([], _, _NextPlane) -> ok;
233 broadcast_shutdown([{_Action, To} | Actions], {Pid, Ref}, NextPlane) ->
234     case is_process_alive(To) of
235         true ->
236             case term_to_binary(To) == term_to_binary(Pid) of
237                 true -> void;
238                 false -> case term_to_binary(To) == term_to_binary(self()) of
239                     true -> void;
240                     false -> gen_statem:call(To, {shutdown, NextPlane})
241                 end
242             end;
243         false -> void
244     end,
245     broadcast_shutdown(Actions, {Pid, Ref}, NextPlane).
246
247 %% Synchronous Call which should wait until each response
248 broadcast_connection([], _, Result) -> Result;
249 broadcast_connection([{_Action, To} | Actions], {Pid, Ref}, _) ->
250     case is_process_alive(To) of
251         false -> Result1 = impossible;
252         true -> Result1 = active,
253             case term_to_binary(To) == term_to_binary(Pid) of
254                 false -> case term_to_binary(To) == term_to_binary(self()) of
255                     true -> void;
256                     false -> gen_statem:call(To, activate)
257                 end;
258                 true -> void
259             end
260     end,
261     broadcast_connection(Actions, {Pid, Ref}, Result1).
262
263 creature_leave(CRef, Action, {_Pid, _}, Data) ->
264     To = maps:get(Action, maps:get(connections, Data)),
265     Stats = maps:get(CRef, maps:get(creatures, Data)),
266     case is_process_alive(To) of
267         true -> case term_to_binary(self()) == term_to_binary(To) of
268             true -> {Data, To};
269             false -> case gen_statem:call(To, {run_action, CRef, Stats})
270                 ↪ of
271                 ok -> NewCreatures = maps:remove(CRef,
272                 ↪ maps:get(creatures, Data)),
273                 NewData = maps:update(creatures, NewCreatures,
274                 ↪ Data),
275                 {NewData, To};
276                 {error, Reason} -> {error, Reason}

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274             end
275         end;
276         false -> {error, "District is shutdown"}
277     end.
278
279 run_trigger(Trigger, Event, Creature, Creatures) ->
280     Self = self(),
281     spawn(fun() -> Self ! {self(), Trigger(Event, Creature,
282         ↳ maps:to_list(Creatures))} end),
283     receive
284         {_Pid, {Creature1, Creatures1}} -> {Creature1, Creatures1}
285     after
286         2000 -> {error, "didn't run function"}
287     end.

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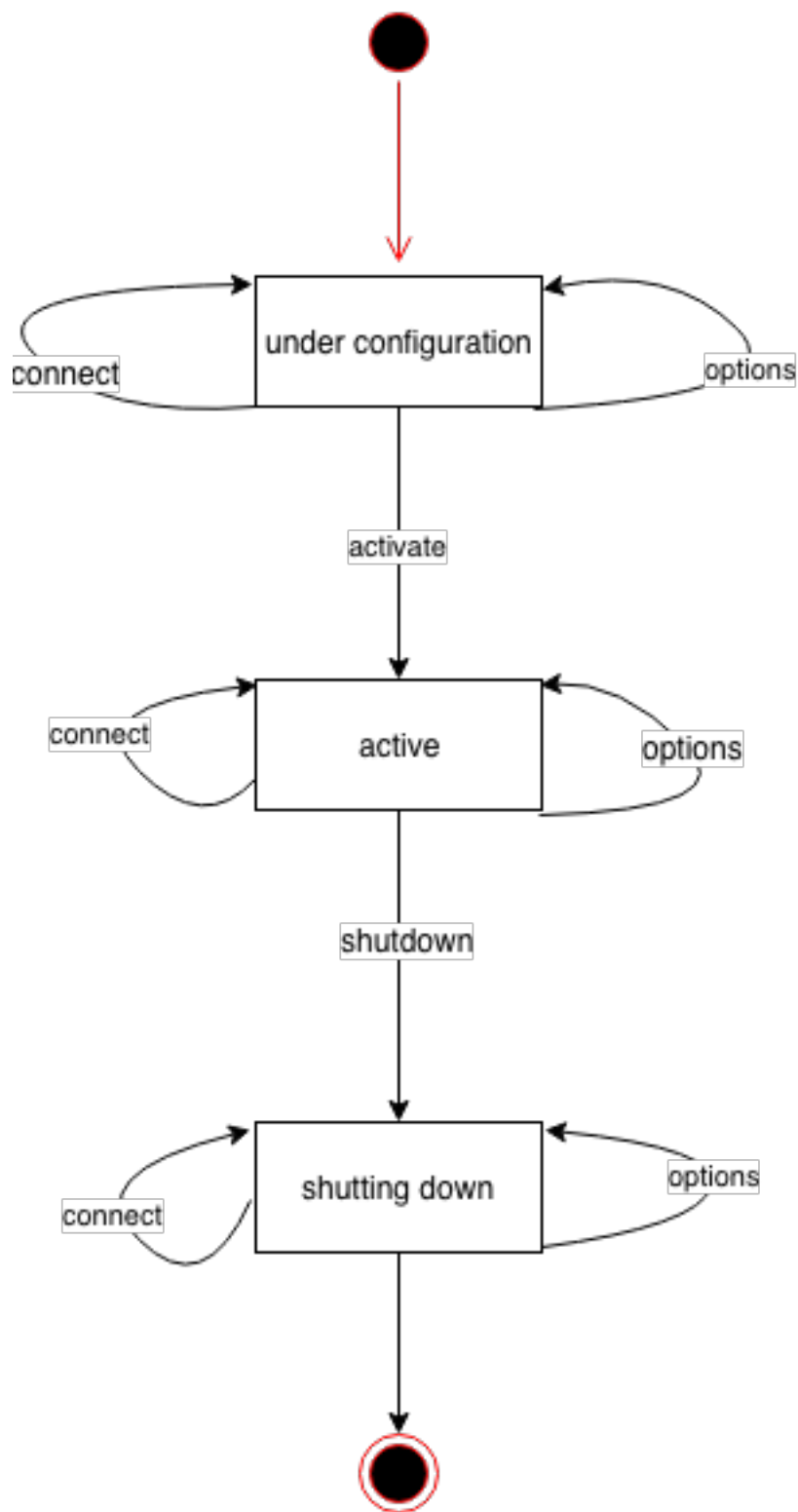


Figure 1: Simple State machine diagramm