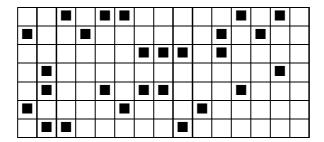
## Automata

### Exercise 1: A simple robot

A robot is programmed to move in the maze pictured below.



He enters this maze through a border (North, West, South or East) and then obeys to the following program:

#### A simple program.

```
1 Do
2 If the front cell is free, Then
3 Move in this cell
4 Else
5 Rotate a quarter turn clockwise
6 End If
7 Until out of the maze
```

- 1. Where will the robot leave the maze if he enters through the  $3^{\rm rd}$  cell (from the top) of the West border?
- 2. Where must the robot enter the maze to leave through the  $5^{\rm th}$  cell (from the left) of the South border (2 solutions)?
- 3. What happens if the robot enters through the 7<sup>th</sup> cell of the South border (from the left)?

#### Exercise 2: A more evolved robot

This time, the robot has a 1-bit memory! This memory can be viewed as a binary number (0 or 1) that we'll call his state. The robot still begins just at a border of the previous maze, outside the maze, and ready to enter. He now obeys the following program:

# A more evolved program.

```
Begin with the state 0
1
2
3
            If the front cell is free, Then
                  Move in this cell
4
5
                  Change state
6
            Else, If the state is 0, Then
7
                  Rotate a quarter turn clockwise
8
            Else
9
                  Rotate a quarter turn anticlockwise
10
            End If
     Until out of the maze
11
```

- 1. What happens if the robot enters through the 2<sup>nd</sup> cell of the North border (from the left)?
- 2. What happens if the robot enters through the 8<sup>th</sup> cell of the South border (from the left)?