

Petri Nets – Endterm

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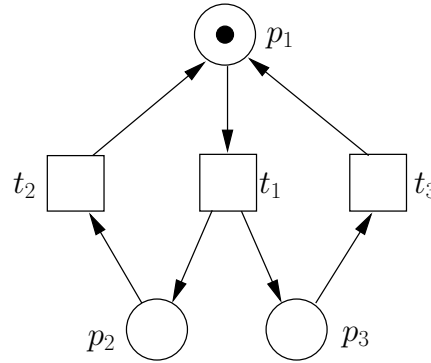
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- If you feel ill, let us know immediately.
- You have **75 minutes** to fill in all the required information and write down your solutions.
- Don't forget to **sign**.
- Write with a non-erasable **pen**, do not use red or green color.
- You are not allowed to use **auxiliary means**.
- You may answer in **English or German**.
- Please turn off your **cell phone**.
- Should you require additional **scrap paper**, please tell us.
- You can obtain **40 points** in the exam. You need **17 points** in total to pass (grade 4.0).
- Don't fill in the table below.
- Good luck!

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Construct the coverability graph of the Petri net



Exercise 2

14P=4+4+3+3

- (a) Exhibit a net such that the vector $(1, 1, 2)$ is a place invariant (P-invariant, S-invariant) and the vector $(1, 1)$ is a transition invariant (T-invariant). Show that this is indeed the case.
- (b) Exhibit a live net without place invariants or transition invariants (apart from the trivial ones in which all components are equal to 0). Show that this is indeed the case.
- (c) Exhibit four T-systems (every place has exactly one input and one output transition) that are, respectively: live and bounded, live and unbounded, non-live and bounded, non-live and unbounded. Say which system satisfies which properties.
- (e) Prove or disprove: If (M, M_0) is a live free-choice Petri net and $M \geq M_0$ (i.e., $M(p) \geq M_0(p)$ for every place p), then (N, M) is also live.

Exercise 3

10P=3+3+4

We consider nets with four distinguished places called **Start**, **Input_1**, **Input_2**, and **Result**. The nets may also have other places.

Given such a net N , we denote by $[n_1, n_2]$ the marking that puts:

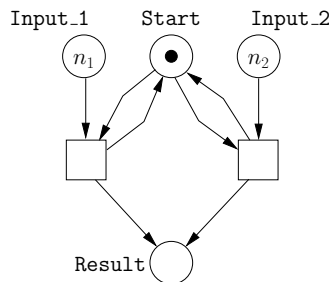
$$1 \text{ token in Start} \quad n_1 \text{ tokens in Input_1} \quad n_2 \text{ tokens in Input_2} \quad 0 \text{ tokens elsewhere.}$$

We say that N **weakly computes** a function $f(x_1, x_2)$ if for every $n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ (where \mathbb{N} contains 0) the following two conditions hold:

- **some** reachable marking of N with $[n_1, n_2]$ as initial marking puts $f(n_1, n_2)$ tokens in **Result**; and
- **no** reachable marking of N with $[n_1, n_2]$ as initial marking puts more than $f(n_1, n_2)$ tokens in **Result**.

We do not care about the number of tokens in other places.

For instance, the Petri net below weakly computes the function $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 + x_2$.



Give Petri nets that weakly compute

- (a) the function $f(x_1, x_2) = \min\{x_1, x_2\}$;
- (b) the function $f(x_1, x_2) = \max\{x_1, x_2\}$;
- (c) the function $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 \cdot x_2$.

In all cases 6 places suffice.

Please turn over!

Reduce the satisfiability problem for boolean formulas in conjunctive normal form to the following problem:

Given: an acyclic Petri net.

Decide: is the empty marking (no tokens anywhere) reachable?

Recall that a reduction is a polynomial time translation from boolean formulas into acyclic Petri nets such that a formula is satisfiable iff in its Petri net translation the empty marking is reachable. You do not have to describe the translation formally, but you have to:

- (a) Draw the result of applying the translation to the formula

$$(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \neg x_3) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee x_3)$$

- (b) Give a brief argument showing that if the formula is satisfiable, then the empty marking is reachable.
(c) Give a brief argument showing that if the formula is not satisfiable, then the empty marking is not reachable.
(d) Give a brief argument showing that the translation takes polynomial time.