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## Petri nets — Homework 5

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## Exercise 5.1

Consider the following Petri net  $\mathcal{N} = (P, T, F)$ :



- (a) Give a basis of the vector space of T-invariants of  $\mathcal{N}$ . [Hint:
- (b) Let  $M = \{p_1, p_2, p_4, p_4\}$  and  $M' = \{p_1, p_3, p_5\}$ . We have shown that  $\mathcal{N}$  is bounded from any initial marking in #4.3(b). Can you tell whether  $(\mathcal{N}, M)$  and  $(\mathcal{N}, M')$  are live?

## Exercise 5.2

Consider the following Petri net (with weights)  $\mathcal{N}$ :



(a) Use siphons/traps to prove or disprove that  $\mathcal{N}$  is live from  $M_0 = \{p_2, 3 \cdot p_4\},\$ 

(b) Can the marking equation be used to prove or disprove that  $\{p_2, p_4\} \xrightarrow{*} \{p_1, 3 \cdot p_2, p_3\}$ ? Is so, why? If not, can traps or siphons help?

## Exercise 5.3

Let  $\mathcal{N} = (P, T, W)$  be a net with weights and let  $M_0, M$  be markings. We say that a trap Q is *minimal* if it is non empty and every non empty  $Q' \subset Q$  is not a trap.

(a) Disprove the following statement:

There exists a trap Q of  $\mathcal{N}$  such that  $M_0(Q) > 0$  and M(Q) = 0 if and only if there exists a minimal trap R of  $\mathcal{N}$  such that  $M_0(R) > 0$  and M(R) = 0.

- (b) Show that Petri nets can have exponentially many minimal traps. More formally, exhibit an infinite family of (distinct) nets  $\mathcal{N}_1 = (P_1, T_1, F_1), \mathcal{N}_2 = (P_2, T_2, F_2), \ldots$ , some c > 1, and a function  $f \in \Omega(c^n)$  such that  $\mathcal{N}_i$  has  $f(|P_i|)$  minimal traps for every  $i \ge 1$ .
- (c) For every  $x \in \{\texttt{false}, \texttt{true}\}^P$ , let  $Q_x = \{p : p \in P, x_p = \texttt{true}\}.$ 
  - (i) Give a Boolean formula  $\varphi_{\text{trap}}$  over variables  $\{x_p : p \in P\}$  such that  $\varphi_{\text{trap}}(x)$  holds if and only if  $Q_x$  is a trap of  $\mathcal{N}$ .
  - (ii) Give a quantified Boolean formula  $\varphi_{\text{mintrap}}$  over variables  $\{x_p : p \in P\}$  such that  $\varphi_{\text{mintrap}}(x)$  holds if and only if  $Q_x$  is a minimal trap of  $\mathcal{N}$ .
  - (iii) Give a Boolean formula  $\varphi_{\text{constraints}}$  over variables  $\{x_p : p \in P\}$  such that  $\varphi_{\text{constraints}}(x)$  holds if and only if  $M_0(Q_x) > 0$  implies  $M(Q_x) > 0$ .
- (d) Construct  $\varphi_{\text{trap}}(x)$  for the following Petri net:



(e)  $\bigstar$  Use the SMT solver Z3 to prove that the Petri net above cannot reach a marking M such that  $M(p_2) = 2$ and  $M(p_3) \ge 1$ . See instructions on the webpage of the course. You may start from the given partial solution if you need help.