

TD de Sémantique et Vérification  
II– Linear Time Properties

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**Exercise 1.**

We are given three (primitive) processes  $P_1$ ,  $P_2$ , and  $P_3$  with shared integer variable  $x$ . The program of process  $P_i$  is as follows:

```
Process  $P_i$ :  
1 for  $k_i = 1, \dots, 10$  do  
3   LOAD( $x$ );  
5   INC( $x$ );  
7   STORE( $x$ );
```

That is,  $P_i$  executes ten times the assignment  $x := x + 1$ . The assignment  $x := x + 1$  is realised using the three actions LOAD( $x$ ), INC( $x$ ) and STORE( $x$ ). Consider now the parallel program:

```
Parallel program  $P$ :  
1  $x := 0$ ;  
2  $P_1 \parallel P_2 \parallel P_3$ ;
```

Does  $P$  have an execution that halts with the terminal value  $x = 2$ ?

**Exercise 2.**

Consider the following mutual exclusion algorithm that was proposed 1966 as a simplification of Dijkstra's mutual exclusion algorithm in case there are just two processes:

Dijkstra's algorithm for two processes:

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boolean array  $b = [0; 1]$ ;  
integer  $k = 1, i, j$ ;  
/* This is the program for computer  $i$ , which may be either 0 or 1, computer  
    $j \neq i$  is the other one, 1 or 0 */  
c0:  $b(i) := \text{false}$ ;  
c1: if  $k \neq i$  then  
c2:   if  $\neg b(j)$  then goto c2;  
     else  $k := i$ ; goto c1;  
     else critical section;  
        $b(i) := \text{true}$ ;  
       remainder of program;  
       goto c0;
```

Here  $c0$ ,  $c1$ , and  $c2$  are program labels, and the word “computer” should be interpreted as process.

1. Give the program graph representations for a single process. (A pictorial representation suffices.)
2. Give the reachable part of the transition system of  $P_1 \parallel P_2$ .
3. Check whether the algorithm indeed ensures mutual exclusion.

**Exercise 3.**

Consider the set AP of atomic propositions defined by  $AP = \{x = 0, x > 1\}$  and consider a nonterminating sequential computer program  $P$  that manipulates the variable  $x$ . Formulate the following informally stated properties as LT properties:

1. false
2. initially  $x$  is equal to zero
3. initially  $x$  differs from zero
4. initially  $x$  is equal to zero, but at some point  $x$  exceeds one
5.  $x$  exceeds one only finitely many times
6.  $x$  exceeds one infinitely often
7. true

**Exercise 4.**

Each transition system  $TS$  (that probably has a terminal state) can be extended such that for each terminal state  $s$  in  $TS$  there is a new state  $s_{stop}$ , transition  $s \rightarrow s_{stop}$  and  $s_{stop}$  is equipped with a self-loop, i.e.,  $s_{stop} \rightarrow s_{stop}$ . The resulting “equivalent” transition system obviously has no terminal states.

1. Give a formal definition of this transformation  $TS \mapsto TS^*$
2. Prove that the transformation preserves trace-equivalence, i.e., show that if  $TS_1, TS_2$  are transition systems (possibly with terminal states) such that  $Traces(TS_1) = Traces(TS_2)$ , then  $Traces(TS_1^*) = Traces(TS_2^*)$ .

**Exercise 5.**

Recall the definition of AP-deterministic transition systems. Let  $TS$  and  $TS'$  be transition systems with the same set of atomic propositions AP. Prove the following relationship between trace inclusion and finite trace inclusion:

1. For AP-deterministic  $TS$  and  $TS'$  :

$$Traces(TS) = Traces(TS') \text{ if and only if } Traces_{fin}(TS) = Traces_{fin}(TS').$$

2. Give concrete examples of  $TS$  and  $TS'$  where at least one of the transition systems is not AP-deterministic, but

$$Traces(TS) \not\subseteq Traces(TS') \text{ and } Traces_{fin}(TS) = Traces_{fin}(TS').$$