

**TD de Sémantique et Vérification**  
**V – Liveness**

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In this sheet, we write  $\Sigma = 2^{AP}$  for some (finite) set AP of atomic propositions.

**Exercise 1.**

(Warmup) Show that for a LT property  $P$ , the following are equivalent:

1. Every finite word  $w \in \Sigma^*$  can be completed in a word  $w \cdot \sigma \in P$
2. The closure of  $P$  is  $\Sigma^\omega$
3.  $P$  is dense for the usual topology on  $\Sigma^\omega$  (remember that, for a topological space  $X$ ,  $P \subseteq X$  is **dense** when it intersects any non-empty open set).

In that case  $P$  is a liveness property. Give examples of liveness conditions.

**Exercise 2.**

Is the union of liveness properties a liveness property? The intersection? Prove it or provide counterexamples.

**Exercise 3.**

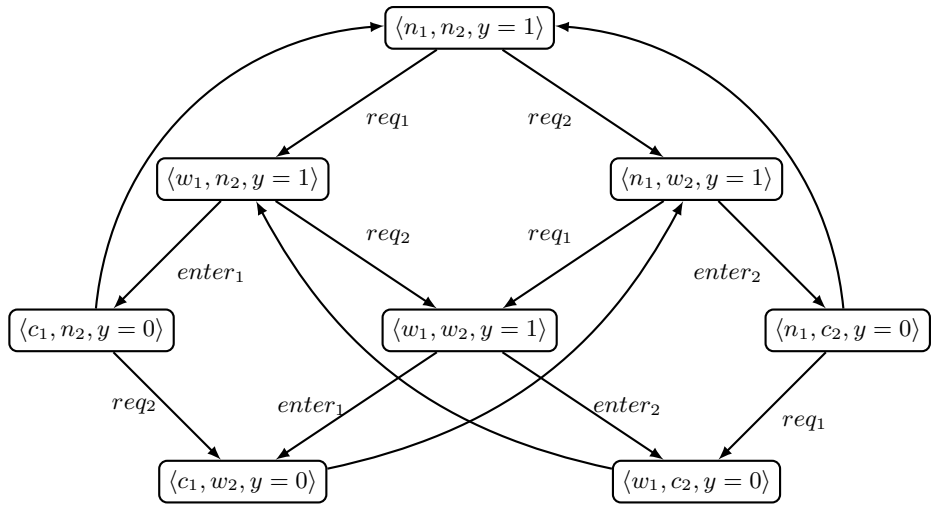
Show the following properties of  $cl(\cdot)$  for  $A, B \subseteq \Sigma^\omega$

1.  $cl(A) \subseteq cl(B)$  when  $A \subseteq B$
2.  $cl(cl(A)) = cl(A)$
3.  $cl(A \cup B) = cl(A) \cup cl(B)$

From those properties, deduce a new proof of the decomposition of any LT property into a liveness property and a safety property.

**Exercise 4.**

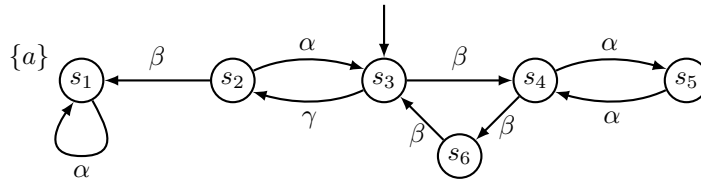
Consider the following LTS representing mutual exclusion by means of a semaphore (NB: back arrows are labelled with *rel* – not drawn on the picture to avoid clutter).



What is a good fairness assumption to ensure that both processes get in the critical section infinitely often in a fair trace?

**Exercise 5.**

Consider the following transition system  $TS$  with the set of atomic propositions  $\{a\}$ :

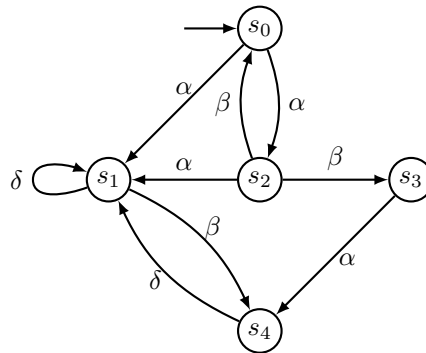


Let the fairness assumption  $\mathcal{F}$  be  $(\emptyset, \{\{\alpha\}, \{\beta\}\}, \{\{\beta\}\})$ . Determine whether  $TS \models_{\mathcal{F}}$  “eventually  $a$ ”. Justify your answer!

**Exercise 6.**

Let  $TS$  be a LTS. A  $\mathcal{F}$  fairness assumption is **realizable** for  $TS$  when for each state  $s$  of  $TS$ , there exists a fair path starting from  $s$ .

Consider the following transition system  $TS$  (without atomic propositions):



Decide which of the following fairness assumptions  $\mathcal{F}_i$  are realizable for  $TS$ . Justify your answers!

1.  $\mathcal{F}_1 = (\{\{\alpha\}\}, \{\{\delta\}\}, \{\{\alpha, \beta\}\})$
2.  $\mathcal{F}_2 = (\{\{\delta, \alpha\}\}, \{\{\alpha, \beta\}\}, \{\{\delta\}\})$
3.  $\mathcal{F}_3 = (\{\{\alpha, \delta\}, \{\beta\}\}, \{\{\alpha, \beta\}\}, \{\{\delta\}\})$

**Exercise 7.**

Show that, given a fixed realizable fairness assumption  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $TS$  and a *safety* property  $P$ , if  $TS \models_{\mathcal{F}} P$  then  $TS \models P$  (the other direction being true for any  $P$ ).