

# THEORY OF CONCURRENCY EXAM

Tuesday August 15, 2006, 10.00 - 13.00

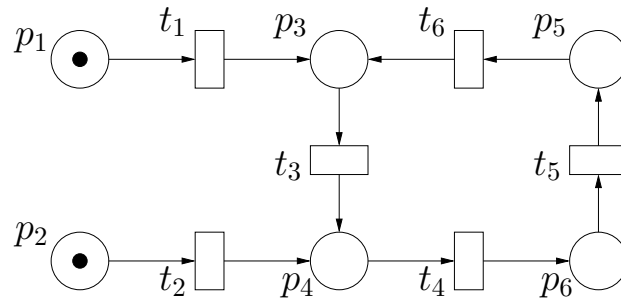
This exam consists of 5 questions.

Answers may be given both in English and in het Nederlands.

## Question 1

23 pt

Let  $M = (P, T, F, C_{in})$  be the EN system as drawn below.



- Give the sequential configuration graph  $SCG(M)$  of  $M$ .
- Determine all non-empty conflict sets  $\mathbf{cfl}(t, C)$  of  $M$  with  $C \in \mathbb{C}_M$  and  $t \in T$ .
- Give a definition for confusion in an EN system and find all confusions of  $M$ .
- Prove that, for every EN system, whenever  $st \mathbf{con} C$  and  $t \mathbf{con} C$  for transitions  $s, t$  and configuration  $C$ , then  $\{s, t\} \mathbf{con} C$ .

## Question 2

20 pt

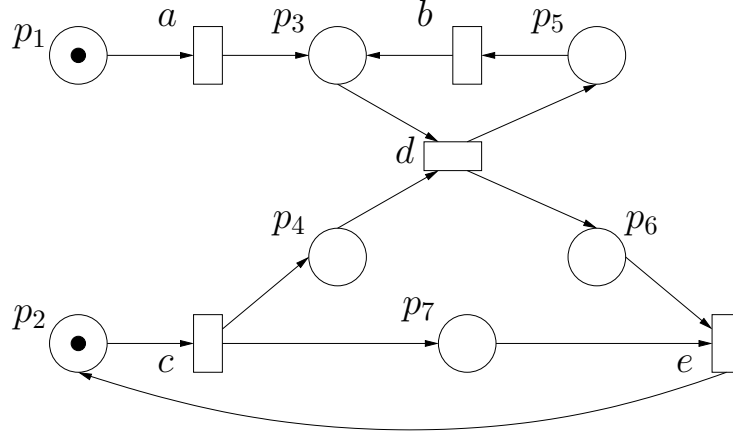
Let  $M$  be the EN system of Question 1.

- Demonstrate which subsets  $S$  of  $P$  determine a subsystem of  $M$ .
- When is a subsystem of an EN system a sequential component?
- Does  $M$  have sequential components?  
If yes, give one. If no, explain, why not.
- Does there exist an EN system  $M'$  such that  $M$  and  $M'$  have the same underlying net and  $M'$  is covered by sequential components?  
Explain your answer.
- Construct from  $M$  a contact-free EN system that is configuration equivalent with  $M$ .

### Question 3

25 pt

Consider the contact-free EN system  $M = (P, T, F, C_{in})$  given next.



- (a) Determine the independency relation  $\mathbf{ind}(M)$  of  $M$ .

Let  $x = acdbec$ .

- (b) Show by using  $\mathbf{ind}(M)$ , that  $x \approx_{\mathbf{ind}(M)} cadech$ .  
(c) Construct the dependency graph  $\mathbf{dep}_M(x)$  of  $x$  and its pruned version  $\mathbf{pru}(\mathbf{dep}_M(x))$ .  
(d) Give the elements of the trace  $[x]_{\mathbf{ind}(M)}$ .  
(e) Draw a process  $N$  of  $M$  such that  $\mathbf{pru}(\mathbf{ctr}(N)) = \mathbf{pru}(\mathbf{dep}_M(x))$ .  
Give also  $\mathbf{ctr}(N)$ .

### Question 4

20 pt

Let  $M$  be the P/T system with places  $P = \{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5\}$ , transitions  $T = \{t_1, t_2, t_3\}$ , initial configuration  $C_{in} = (1, 0, 0, 1, 4)$  and incidence matrix

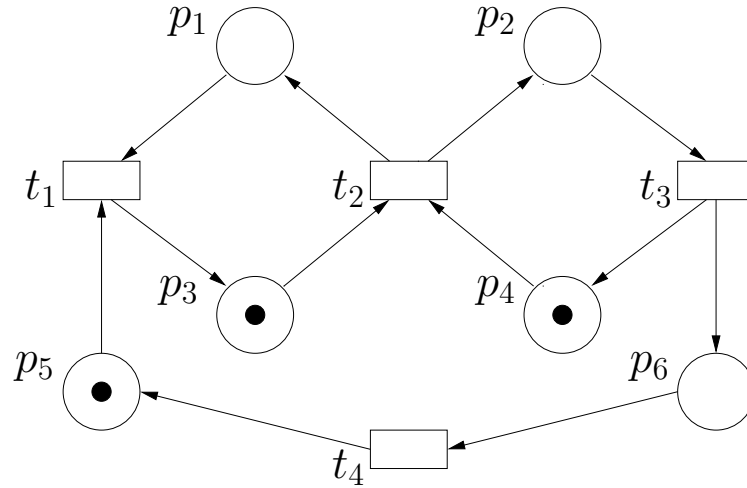
$$\underline{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Compute the p-invariants of  $M$ .  
(b) Give a positive p-invariant (with at least one non-zero entry) together with its value.  
(c) Prove that  $C(p_4) = C(p_1) + 2C(p_2)$  for all  $C \in \mathbb{C}_M$ .  
(d) Use  $\underline{M}$  to argue that  $C(p_2) \leq C(p_3)$  for all  $C \in \mathbb{C}_M$ .  
(e) Show that  $M$  is bounded. (Parts (b), (c), and (d) may be of use here.)

**Question 5**

12 pt

Let  $M = (P, T, F, W, C_{in})$  be the following marked graph:



- Determine all cycles of  $M$  together with their value.
- Use the answer to (a) to determine whether or not  $M$  is live and whether or not  $M$  is safe.
- Does there exist a configuration  $C$  of  $(P, T, F, W)$  with  $C(p_6) = 1$  and such that  $(P, T, F, W, C)$  is live and safe? Why (not)?

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