

Introduction to Model Checking Summer term 2010

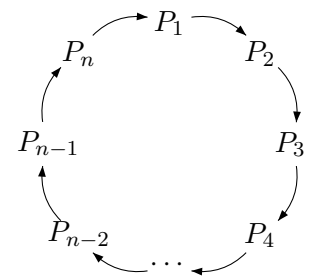
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Hand in on May 5 before the exercise class.

Exercise 1

(5 + 5 points)

Consider the following leader election algorithm: For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, n processes P_1, \dots, P_n are located in a ring topology where each process is connected by an unidirectional channel to its neighbour as outlined on the right. To distinguish the processes, each process is assigned a unique identifier $id \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. The aim is to elect the process with the highest identifier as the leader within the ring. Therefore each process executes the following algorithm:



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send (id);           initially set to process' id
while (true) do
  receive (m);
  if (m == id) then stop;      process is the leader
  if (m > id) then send (m);  forward identifier
od
  
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- Model the leader election protocol for n processes as a channel system.
- Give an initial execution fragment of $TS([P_1|P_2|P_3])$ such that at least one process has executed the **send**-statement within the body of the **while**-loop.
Assume for $1 \leq i \leq 3$, that process P_i has identifier $id_i = i$.

Exercise 2

(2 + 3 + 5 points)

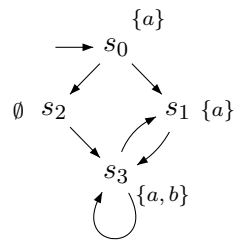
Consider a system consisting of n processes P_0, \dots, P_{n-1} and a central moderator M in a fully connected network. Each process P_i (for $0 \leq i < n$) executes the same algorithm and stores a unique identifier $id_i \in \mathbb{N}$. Further, we assume that n is known a priori.

In order to elect a leader, the system is supposed to determine the process with the highest id and communicate it to every process.

- Informally describe how to solve the leader election problem in the above setting.
- Write nanoPromela programs for the algorithm of the process and the moderator. Add comments!
- Formally derive the program graphs for a process and the moderator.

Exercise 3**(10 points)**

Consider the transition system given below. Formally define its traces!

**Exercise 4****(3 + 7 points)**

Let TS denote a transition system with possible terminal states.

- Formally define a (reasonable) transformation $TS \mapsto TS^*$ such that TS^* has no terminal states but is otherwise “equivalent” to TS .
- Prove, that the transformation preserves trace-equivalence, i.e. show that for transition systems TS_1 and TS_2 with $Traces(TS_1) = Traces(TS_2)$, it follows $Traces(TS_1^*) = Traces(TS_2^*)$.
Remark: If TS denotes a transition system with terminal states, we define

$$Traces(TS) := \{trace(\pi) \mid \pi \in Paths(TS)\}$$