

LTL Model Checking for Modular Petri Nets

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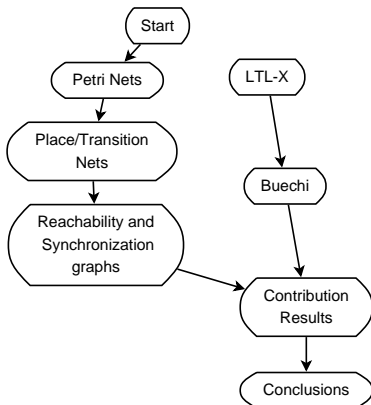
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Petri Nets



Figure: C. A. Petri

- *Kommunikation mit Automaten*, 1962
 - “Description, in a uniform and exact manner, of as great as possible a number of phenomena related to **information transmission and information transformation...**”
 - Regulated flows (information, products...)
- P.N.H.N.C.W.P.D.

Petri Nets

- Mathematical representation of discrete distributed systems
- Causal dependencies and independencies represented explicitly
- Partial order relation of concurrency, unsynchronized functions...
- Different levels of abstraction
- Formal system \rightarrow verify properties

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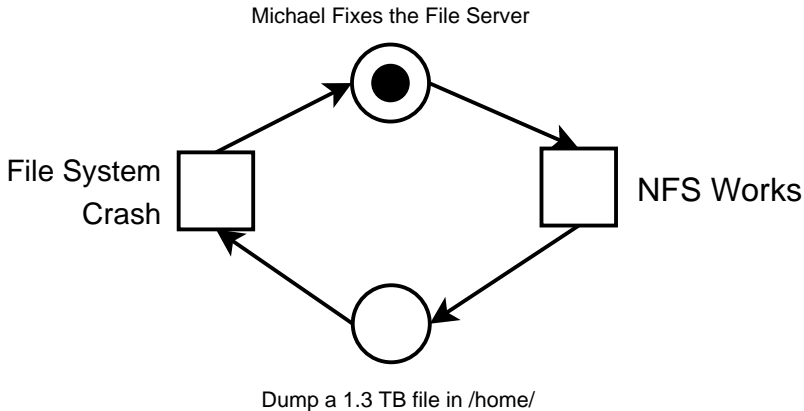


Figure: Petri Nets: Events, Conditions, Tokens

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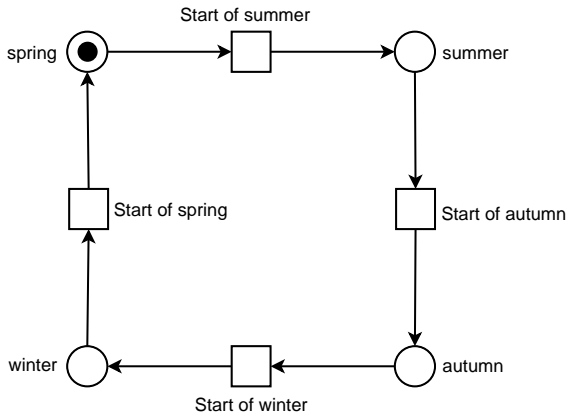


Figure: Petri Nets: Pre- and Post-conditions, Case

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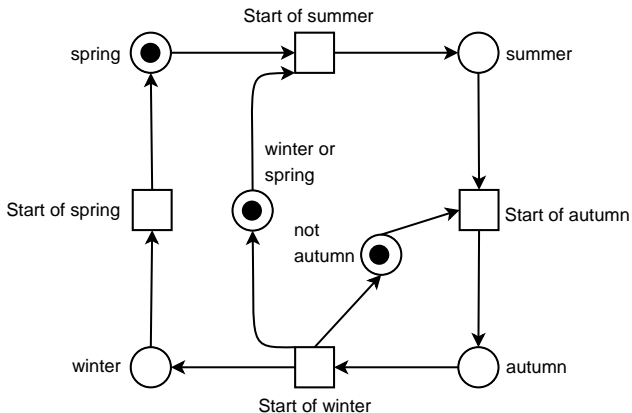


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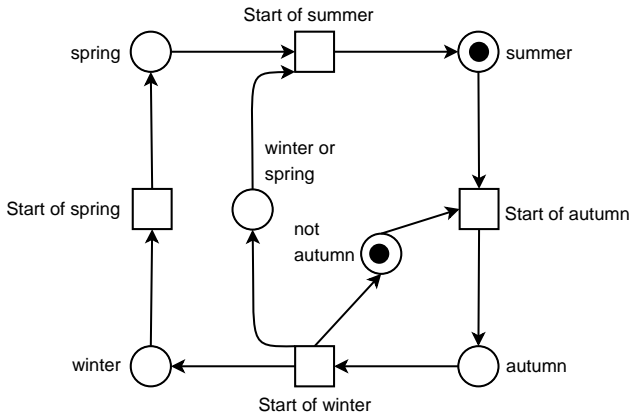


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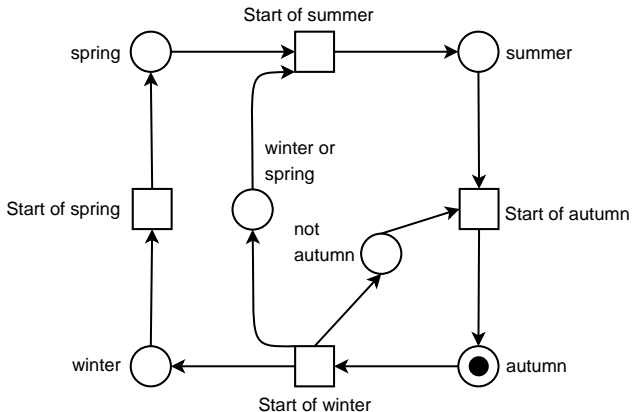


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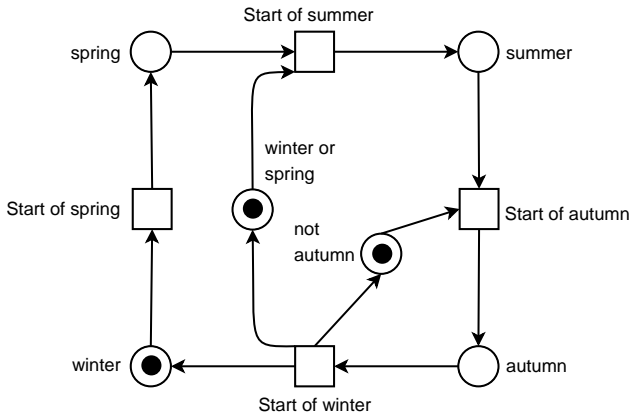


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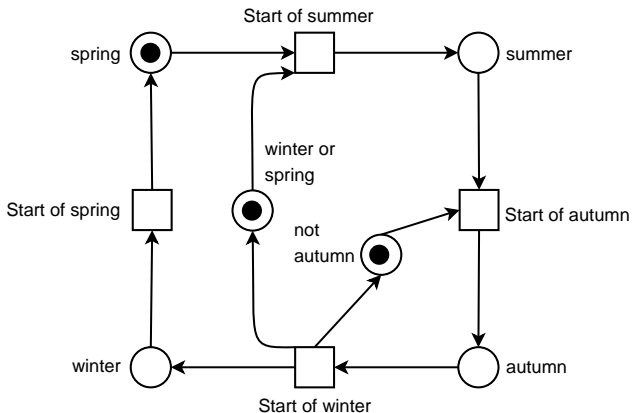


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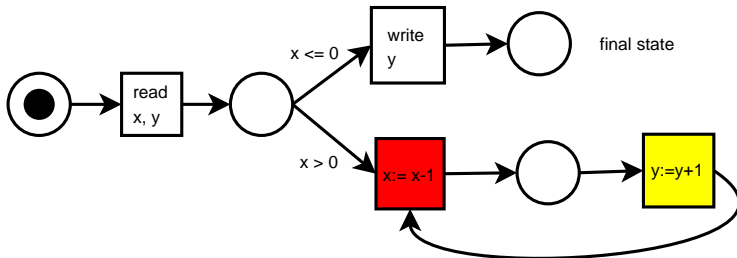


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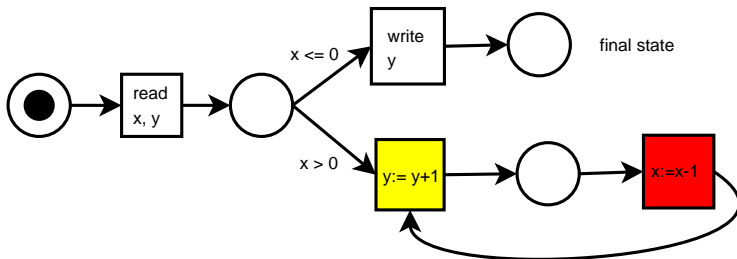


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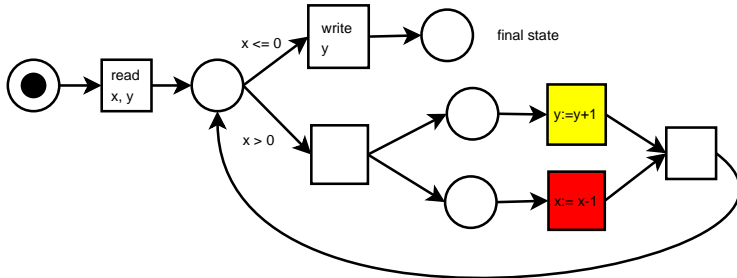


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Petri Nets

Definition (Net)

A triple $N = (P, T; F)$ is called a *net* iff

- P and T are disjoint sets
- $F \subseteq (P \times T) \cup (T \times P)$ is a binary relation (the *flow relation* of N).

Definition (Pre- and Post-sets)

Let N be a net. For $x \in N$

- $\cdot x = \{y \mid yFx\}$ is called the *preset* of x
- $x \cdot = \{y \mid xFy\}$ is called the *postset* of x

Producer-Consumer Systems

- Modelling manufacturing processes
- Combine a set of conditions “(places p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n are used)” into one object.
- Conditions \rightarrow *Places*
- Events \rightarrow *Transitions*
- Capacities, weights

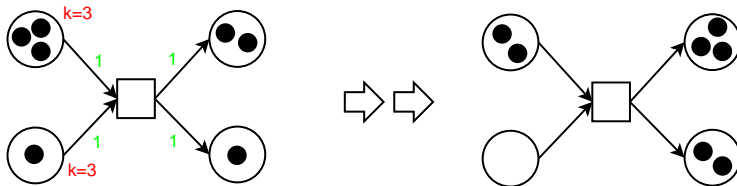


Figure: Producer-Consumer Systems: Firing Rules

Producer-Consumer Systems

A model of a bakery with two consumers:

- The baker generates 3 cookies per time step
- The display case can hold at most 5 cookies
- At most one consumer can access cooling rack
- Each consumer buys cookies in batches of 2
- The production steps of the baker are counted

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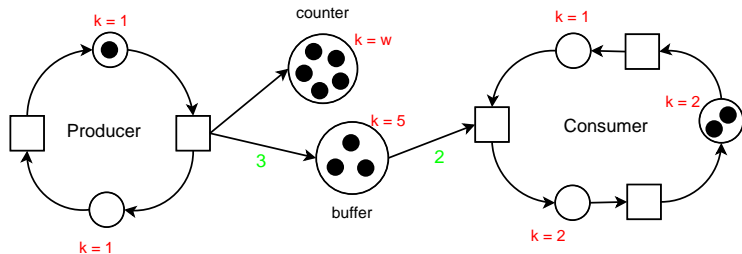


Figure: The Bakery Model

Formal Definition

Definition (Place/Transition Nets)

A tuple $N = (P, T; F, K, M, W)$ is a *place/transition net* iff

- $(P, T; F)$ is a finite net
- $K : P \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\}$ gives a *capacity* for each place.
- $W : F \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ attaches a *weight* to each arc.
- $M : P \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\}$ is *initial marking* (must respect capacities).

Definition (Latvala and Mäkelä)

A PT-net is a tuple $N = (P, T, W, M_0)$ where

- P and T are finite, $P \cap T = \emptyset$
- $W : (P \times T) \cup (T \times P) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is the arc weight function
- $M_0 : P \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is the initial marking

The Life of a PT-net

An *execution* of a net is an infinite sequence of markings $M_0 M_1 \dots M_n$:

- Start at M_0
- Transition to some marking M_1 via *enabled* transition
- Repeat until no transitions are enabled, or forever
- Stutter (if necessary)

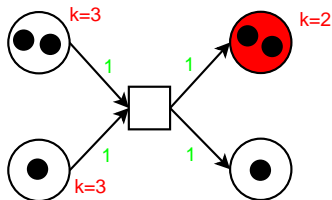


Figure: Destination Full

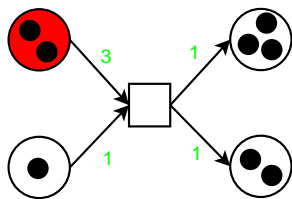
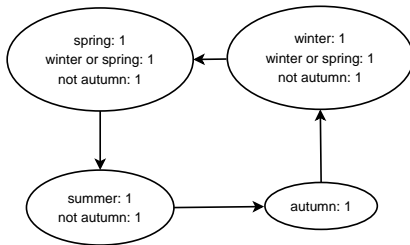
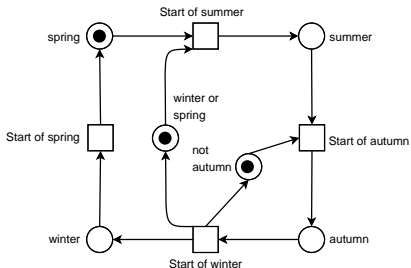


Figure: Source not sufficient

The Life of a PT-net

Definition (Reachability Graph)

- Vertices correspond to all reachable markings
- An edge connects M_i and M_j if there is an enabled transition between M_i and M_j .

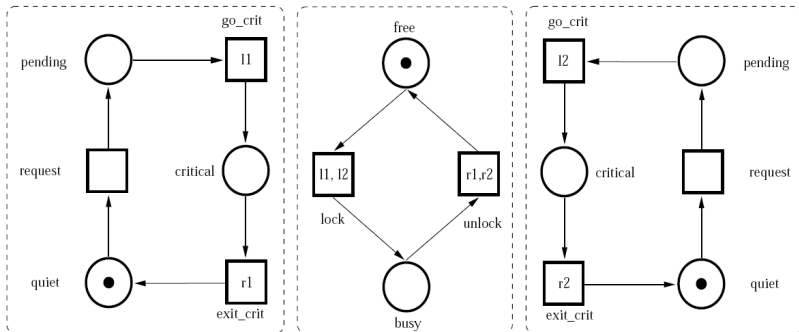


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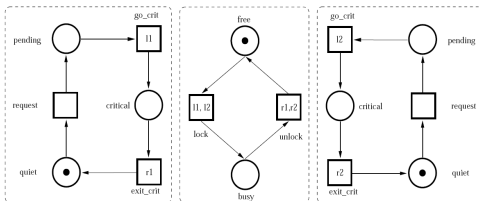


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Definition (Modular PT-net)

A **Modular PT-Net** is a tuple $\Sigma = (S, TF)$ where

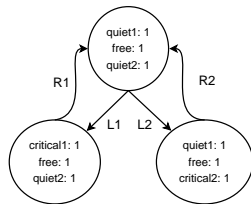
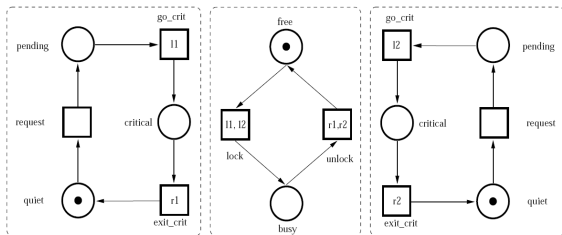
- S is a finite set of modules
 - Each module is a *PT-net*
 - The nodes are pairwise disjoint
- $TF \subseteq 2^{\text{All Trans}}$ is a finite set of **transition fusion sets** (Each module contributes up to 1 transition to a fusion transition.)



Modular Analysis

- Christensen & Petrucci '00, “*Modular Analysis of Petri Nets*”
- Key idea: “reachability graph for transition fusions”.
 - The *Synchronisation graph* (V, E)
 - Vertices are markings
 - Start with the initial marking M_0
 - If $M_i \in V$ and M_j can be reached by firing a transition fusion tf , then $M_j \in V$ and $(M_i, tf, M_j) \in E$

Modular Analysis



LTL-X

Recall from Sumit's talk:

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- $\varphi \in AP$ is an LTL formula
- If φ and ψ are LTL formulas, so are $\neg\varphi$, $\mathbf{X}\varphi$, $\psi\mathbf{U}\varphi$, and $\psi \vee \varphi$.
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Today:

Definition (LTL-X)

LTL-X is LTL without the \mathbf{X} operator.

Intuition: Cannot distinguish between modules that only differ in their “internal” transitions.

Büchi Automata

Recall: every LTL formula has a corresponding Büchi automaton that accepts the same language.

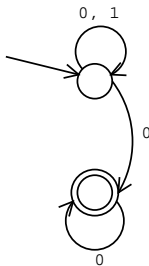


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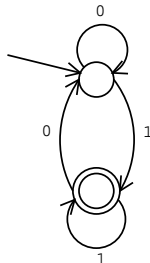


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Standard Model Checking Approach

- Standard program verification: does program P satisfy property φ ?
 - Abstract P and φ to Büchi automata
 - $P \models \varphi \Leftrightarrow L(P) \subseteq L(A_\varphi)$
 - Equivalently: $A_P \cap \overline{A_\varphi} = \emptyset$
- If P is a Petri Net: Synchronize A_φ with every move of P .
- *Key idea*: Synchronize with the visible transitions.

Main Theoretical Contribution

Definition (Product Automaton)

- Two machines in parallel (The net N and \overline{A}_φ)
- Both move on visible transitions
- Only the net moves on invisible transitions

Theorem

Any execution that violates the LTL-X specification will induce either an illegal livelock or an illegal ω -execution, which will also show up in the product automaton.

Implementation

- Experimental Setup
 - Implemented on top of reachability analyzer *Maria*
 - Compare with Maria and *PROD* (has P.O. reductions)
- Results
 - *Faster* for loosely coupled models
 - *Faster* for models with lots of synchronisation (Leader Election)
 - *Questionable* for some models (Sliding Window protocol)
 - *Faster* than PROD (but not too much)

Experimental Results

System	Flat state space $G = (V, E, v_0)$				Modular $\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{v}_0)$				ψ
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Summary and Conclusions

- LTL-X model checking on the synchronization graph of modular Petri Nets
- Implementation available
- Method relies on efficient modular analysis