Concurrency Theory (SS 2015)

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Exercise Sheet 5

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Problem 1: Lamport's Mutual Exclusion Algorithm

Consider the Petri net below, describing Lamport's 1-bit mutual exclusion algorithm.



- (a) Set up the co-linear property one would want the mutex to satisfy and determine the connectivity and trap matrices of the given Petri net.
- (b) Prove that the *basic verification system* is feasible.
- (c) Prove that the *enhanced verification system* is infeasible.

How do you interpret the fact that bvs is feasible and evs infeasible?

Problem 2: Minimal Traps vs Generating Traps

- (a) Give a Petri net where the minimal traps are a family of generating traps and describe that family.
- (b) Give a Petri net where the set of minimal traps are not generating and describe both the minimal traps and a family of generating traps.
- (c) Give a Petri net where the only trap is the empty set.

Problem 3: Family of Generating Traps

Add arcs to the Petri net N below so that its family of generating traps contains exponentially (in N's size) many traps. Once added, describe N = (S, T, W) formally and prove that the family of generating traps is exponential in N's size.

