

Exercises 4: Interaction and Concurrency

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Exercise I.1

Let $A(a) \triangleq a.A$ and $B(b) \triangleq \bar{b}.B$. Compute the first derivatives of the following processes:

- 1. A + B
- 2. $A + B\langle a \rangle$
- 3. *A* | *B*
- 4. $A \mid B\langle a \rangle$
- 5. $\{a/b\} (A \mid B)$
- 6. new $\{a\}$ $(A \mid B\langle a \rangle)$

Exercise I.2

Let $A(a, b, c, d) \triangleq \overline{a}.b.A + \overline{c}.d.A$. Draw the transition graphs of the following processes

- 1. A
- $2. \ \ \mathsf{new} \ \{a\} \ A$

Exercise I.3

Consider the following description of a two-position *buffer* with acknowledgements. Note the process is built from copies of a 1-position *buffer* also with acknowledgements: it acknowledges in \bar{r} the reception of a message and waits in t the confirmation that a message sent was arrived to its destination.

$$\begin{split} Bs \triangleq &= \mathsf{new} \left\{ mo, mi \right\} \left(B(in, mo, mi, r) \mid B(mo, out, t, mi) \right) \\ B(in, out, t, r) \triangleq &in.\overline{out}.t.\overline{r}.B \end{split}$$

- 1. Draw the synchronisation graph of Bs.
- 2. Check whether the behaviour of Bs is the intended one (drawing, for this purpose, the corresponding transition graph)
- 3. Find a solution to the problem detected (if any) and draw the corresponding transition graph.
- 4. Explain how the specification given (or your new solution) can be adapted to describe *buffers* with an arbitrary, but fixed number of positions.

Exercise I.4

Consider the following description of a 1-position bidirectional buffer, *i.e.*, able to transmit and receive messages in any direction.

$$BT(in_1, in_2, out_1, out_2) \triangleq in_1(x).\overline{out_1}\langle x \rangle.BT + in_2(x).\overline{out_2}\langle x \rangle.BT$$

- 1. Specify a 2-position bidirectional buffer by parallel composition of two instances of process BT.
- 2. Draw its synchronisation diagram and the transition graph.

Exercise I.5

Consider the following specification of a control system for a crossing between a road and a railway. Events car and train modelled, respectively, a car or a train approaching the cross. Actions up e dw stand for the opening and closing of the protection bar to prevent cars to cross. Similarly, green and red model the semaphore for trains. Finally, events \overline{ccross} and \overline{tcross} come from sensors which register the actual cross of a car or a train, respectivelyy.

$$Road \triangleq car.up.\overline{ccross.\overline{dw}}.Road$$

 $Rail \triangleq train.green.\overline{tcross.red}.Rail$
 $Signal \triangleq \overline{green}.red.Signal + \overline{up}.dw.Signal$

$$C \ \triangleq \mathsf{new} \left\{ green, red, up, dw \right\} \left(Road \mid Rail \mid Signal \right)$$

- 1. Explain the behaviour of this process and sketch its synchronisation diagram.
- 2. Compute the transition graph corresponding to process C

Exercise I.6

An n-trigger, for n>1, is used in electronic voting to detect that a fixed number of votes have been received along its n input ports, numbered from a_1 to a_n . As soon votes have been received in half of the input ports a signal is sent through its output port \overline{s} and the process terminates. Each port a_i receives only a single input. Inputs, however, may arrive in any order to the different ports.

- 1. Specify a 3-trigger.
- 2. Specify a n-trigger, for n arbitrary.

Exercise I.7

Draw the transition graph of $T \triangleq a.(b.0 \mid T)$?