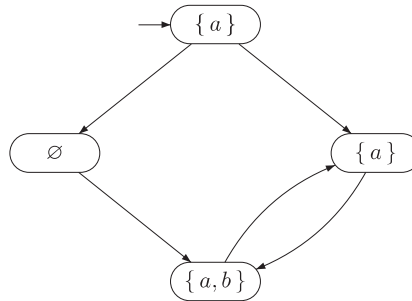


in the monograph by Francez [155]. A recent characterization of fairness in terms of topology, language theory, and game theory has been provided by Völzer, Varacca, and Kindler [415].

### 3.8 Exercises

EXERCISE 3.1. Give the traces on the set of atomic propositions  $\{a, b\}$  of the following transition system:



EXERCISE 3.2. On page 97, a transformation is described of a transition system  $TS$  with possible terminal states into an “equivalent” transition system  $TS^*$  without terminal states. Questions:

- Give a formal definition of this transformation  $TS \mapsto TS^*$
- Prove that the transformation preserves trace-equivalence, i.e., show that if  $TS_1, TS_2$  are transition systems (possibly with terminal states) such that  $Traces(TS_1) = Traces(TS_2)$ , then  $Traces(TS_1^*) = Traces(TS_2^*)$ .<sup>8</sup>

EXERCISE 3.3. Give an algorithm (in pseudocode) for invariant checking such that in case the invariant is refuted, a *minimal* counterexample, i.e., a counterexample of minimal length, is provided as an error indication.

EXERCISE 3.4. Recall the definition of *AP-deterministic* transition systems (Definition 2.5 on page 24). Let  $TS$  and  $TS'$  be transition systems with the same set of atomic propositions  $AP$ . Prove the following relationship between trace inclusion and finite trace inclusion:

- For *AP-deterministic*  $TS$  and  $TS'$ :

$$Traces(TS) = Traces(TS') \text{ if and only if } Traces_{fin}(TS) = Traces_{fin}(TS').$$

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<sup>8</sup>If  $TS$  is a transition system with terminal states, then  $Traces(TS)$  is defined as the set of all words  $trace(\pi)$  where  $\pi$  is an initial, maximal path fragment in  $TS$ .

- (b) Give concrete examples of  $TS$  and  $TS'$  where at least one of the transition systems is not  $AP$ -deterministic, but

$$\text{Traces}(TS) \not\subseteq \text{Traces}(TS') \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Traces}_{fn}(TS) = \text{Traces}_{fn}(TS').$$

EXERCISE 3.5. Consider the set  $AP$  of atomic propositions defined by  $AP = \{x = 0, x > 1\}$  and consider a nonterminating sequential computer program  $P$  that manipulates the variable  $x$ . Formulate the following informally stated properties as LT properties:

- (a) false
- (b) initially  $x$  is equal to zero
- (c) initially  $x$  differs from zero
- (d) initially  $x$  is equal to zero, but at some point  $x$  exceeds one
- (e)  $x$  exceeds one only finitely many times
- (f)  $x$  exceeds one infinitely often
- (g) the value of  $x$  alternates between zero and two
- (h) true

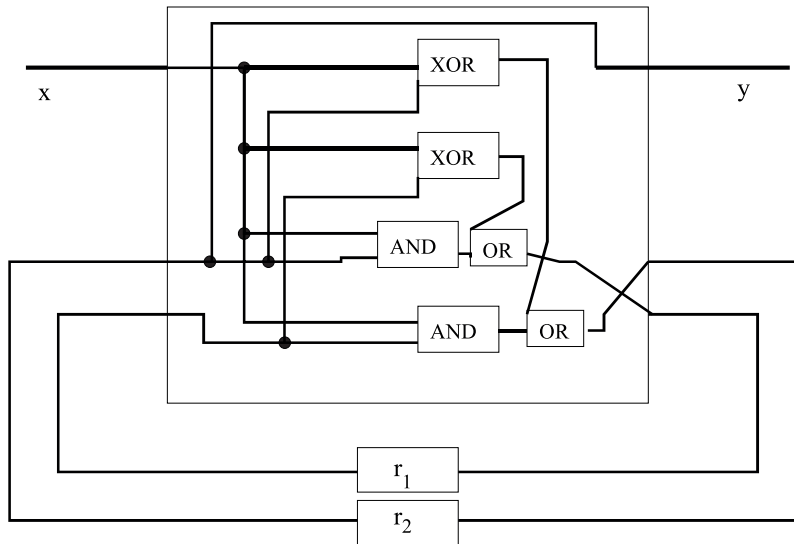
(This exercise has been adopted from [355].) Determine which of the provided LT properties are safety properties. Justify your answers.

EXERCISE 3.6. Consider the set  $AP = \{A, B\}$  of atomic propositions. Formulate the following properties as LT properties and characterize each of them as being either an invariance, safety property, or liveness property, or none of these.

- (a)  $A$  should never occur,
- (b)  $A$  should occur exactly once,
- (c)  $A$  and  $B$  alternate infinitely often,
- (d)  $A$  should eventually be followed by  $B$ .

(This exercise has been inspired by [312].)

EXERCISE 3.7. Consider the following sequential hardware circuit:



The circuit has input variable  $x$ , output variable  $y$ , and registers  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  with initial values  $r_1 = 0$  and  $r_2 = 1$ . The set  $AP$  of atomic propositions equals  $\{x, r_1, r_2, y\}$ . Besides, consider the following informally formulated LT properties over  $AP$ :

- $P_1$  : Whenever the input  $x$  is continuously high (i.e.,  $x=1$ ), then the output  $y$  is infinitely often high.
- $P_2$  : Whenever currently  $r_2=0$ , then it will never be the case that after the next input,  $r_1=1$ .
- $P_3$  : It is never the case that two successive outputs are high.
- $P_4$  : The configuration with  $x=1$  and  $r_1=0$  never occurs.

Questions:

- (a) Give for each of these properties an example of an infinite word that belongs to  $P_i$ . Do the same for the property  $(2^{AP})^\omega \setminus P_i$ , i.e., the complement of  $P_i$ .
- (b) Determine which properties are satisfied by the hardware circuit that is given above.
- (c) Determine which of the properties are safety properties. Indicate which properties are invariants.
  - (i) For each safety property  $P_i$ , determine the (regular) language of bad prefixes.
  - (ii) For each invariant, provide the propositional logic formula that specifies the property that should be fulfilled by each state.

**EXERCISE 3.8.** Let LT properties  $P$  and  $P'$  be equivalent, notation  $P \cong P'$ , if and only if  $\text{pref}(P) = \text{pref}(P')$ . Prove or disprove:  $P \cong P'$  if and only if  $\text{closure}(P) = \text{closure}(P')$ .

EXERCISE 3.9. Show that for any transition system  $TS$ , the set  $\text{closure}(\text{Traces}(TS))$  is a safety property such that  $TS \models \text{closure}(\text{Traces}(TS))$ .

EXERCISE 3.10. Let  $P$  be an LT property. Prove:  $\text{pref}(\text{closure}(P)) = \text{pref}(P)$ .

EXERCISE 3.11. Let  $P$  and  $P'$  be liveness properties over  $AP$ . Prove or disprove the following claims:

- (a)  $P \cup P'$  is a liveness property,
- (b)  $P \cap P'$  is a liveness property.

Answer the same question for  $P$  and  $P'$  being safety properties.

EXERCISE 3.12. Prove Lemma 3.38 on page 125.

EXERCISE 3.13. Let  $AP = \{a, b\}$  and let  $P$  be the LT property of all infinite words  $\sigma = A_0A_1A_2\dots \in (2^{AP})^\omega$  such that there exists  $n \geq 0$  with  $a \in A_i$  for  $0 \leq i < n$ ,  $\{a, b\} = A_n$  and  $b \in A_j$  for infinitely many  $j \geq 0$ . Provide a decomposition  $P = P_{\text{safe}} \cap P_{\text{live}}$  into a safety and a liveness property.

EXERCISE 3.14. Let  $TS_{\text{Sem}}$  and  $TS_{\text{Pet}}$  be the transition systems for the semaphore-based mutual exclusion algorithm (Example 2.24 on page 43) and Peterson's algorithm (Example 2.25 on page 45), respectively. Let  $AP = \{\text{wait}_i, \text{crit}_i \mid i = 1, 2\}$ . Prove or disprove:

$$\text{Traces}(TS_{\text{Sem}}) = \text{Traces}(TS_{\text{Pet}}).$$

If the property does not hold, provide an example trace of one transition system that is not a trace of the other one.

EXERCISE 3.15. Consider the transition system  $TS$  outlined on the right and the sets of actions  $B_1 = \{\alpha\}$ ,  $B_2 = \{\alpha, \beta\}$ , and  $B_3 = \{\beta\}$ . Further, let  $E_b$ ,  $E_a$  and  $E'$  be the following LT properties: