

## Excercise 5

# Concurrency Theory

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## 1 Lexicographic Order is a well-pseudo-order

Let  $a = (a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5, a_6) \in \mathbb{N}^6$  and  $b = (b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5, b_6) \in \mathbb{N}^6$  be two states.

Their first difference is at:  $i_{a,b} := \max \{x \in [1, 6] \mid \forall i < x : a_i = b_i\}$ .

$a \preceq b \iff a_{i_{a,b}} \leq b_{i_{a,b}}$ . Note that in case there is none at all, we have  $i_{a,b} = 6$ . Hence the last digit decides.

**Theorem 1.**  $\preceq$  is a well-pseudo-order.

*Proof. Reflexive* Let  $a \in \mathbb{N}^6$ . It is  $i_{a,a} = 6$  and  $a_6 = a_6$ .  $\preceq$  is reflexive  $\checkmark$

**Transitive** Let  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq c$ . Thus  $a_{i_{a,b}} \leq b_{i_{a,b}}$  and  $b_{i_{b,c}} \leq c_{i_{b,c}}$ .

**Case I** ( $i_{a,b} = i_{b,c}$ ):

Here  $i_{a,c} = i_{a,b} = i_{b,c}$  and  $a_{i_{a,c}} \leq c_{i_{a,c}}$ . Hence  $a \preceq c$ .

**Case II** ( $i_{a,b} < i_{b,c}$ ):

Here  $a_{i_{a,b}} \leq b_{i_{a,b}} = c_{i_{a,b}}$ . For all  $j < i_{a,b}$  we have  $a_j = b_j = c_j$ . Thus  $i_{a,c} = i_{a,b}$ . So due to  $a_{i_{a,c}} \leq c_{i_{a,c}}$  it is  $a \preceq c$ .

**Case III** ( $i_{a,b} > i_{b,c}$ ):

Here  $a_{i_{b,c}} = b_{i_{b,c}} \leq c_{i_{b,c}}$ . For all  $j < i_{b,c}$  we have  $a_j = b_j = c_j$ . Thus  $i_{a,c} = i_{b,c}$ . So due to  $a_{i_{a,c}} \leq c_{i_{a,c}}$  it is  $a \preceq c$ .

**Antisymmetric** Let  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq a$ . Let  $i := i_{a,b} = i_{b,a}$ . It is  $a_i \leq b_i \leq a_i$ . Thus  $a_i = b_i$ , which can only be the case at the very end, i.e.  $i = |a| = |b| = 6$ . So  $a = b$ .

**Well** First note that  $a$  and  $b$  are always comparable under  $\preceq$ . So  $a \not\preceq b \implies a \succ b$ .

Let  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}^d$ . We will show via induction over  $d$  that every decreasing sequence, with respect to  $\preceq$ , is finite.

**Induction Basis**  $d = 1$

Here  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\preceq = \leq$ . Obviously there is no infinite sequence  $a^1 > a^2 > \dots$  for  $a^i \in \mathbb{N}$ .  $\checkmark$

**Induction Hypothesis** For one  $d$  we know  $\preceq$  allows only finite decreasing sequences.

**Induction Step**  $d+1 \curvearrowright d$

Observe any decreasing sequence  $a^1 \succ a^2 \succ \dots$  with  $a^i \in \mathbb{N}^{d+1}$ . Note that for all  $a^i$  the first element has to be at least  $a_1^1 \geq a_1^i$ .

$a_1^1 = a_1^i$  cannot be true for all  $i$  since due to the induction hypotheses there are only finite decreasing sequences over  $\mathbb{N}^d$ .

Let us look at the first  $i$  where  $a_1^1 > a_1^i$ : Due to the induction hypotheses the sequence in between was finite.

Since we can decrease  $a_1^i$  only a finite amount of times the while sequence is finite. ✓

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## 2 Game is finite

As we just have proven there is infinite decreasing sequence over  $\mathbb{N}^6$  with respect to  $\preceq$ . Let us look at the two operation. We will show that both decrease the state.

**Move** Let

$$m(a, i)_k = \begin{cases} a_k & i \neq k \neq i+1 \\ a_k - 1 & i = k \\ a_k + 2 & i+1 = k. \end{cases}$$

Observe any  $b = m(a, i)$ . For all  $j > i$  it is  $b_j = a_j$  and  $a_i > b_i$ . Hence  $i_{a,b} = i$  and  $a \succ b$ .

**Swap** Let

$$s(a, i, j, k)_l = \begin{cases} a_i - 1 & l = i \\ a_k & l = j \\ a_j & l = k \\ a_l & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Again observe any  $b = s(a, i, j, k)$ . Again for all  $j > i$  it is  $b_j = a_j$  and  $a_i > b_i$ . Hence again  $i_{a,b} = i$  and  $a \succ b$ .

Thus every sequence of moves is finite.

## 3 Compatibility

### a) Lexicographic

Let  $a = (1, 1, 1, 5, 3, 1)$ ,  $b = s(a, 3, 4, 5) = (1, 1, 0, 3, 5, 1)$  and  $a \preceq a' = (1, 1, 1, 6, 2, 0)$ . Observe  $b' := s(a', 3, 4, 5) = (1, 1, 0, 6, 2, 0)$ .  $a' \not\preceq b'$ . Thus we found counterexample.

## b) Component Wise

Let  $a$  and  $a' \in \mathbb{N}^6$  s.t.  $a \leq a'$ .

Let's first look at the move operation: Let  $b = m(a, i)$  and  $b' = m(b, i)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} b_i &= a_i - 1 \leq a'_i - 1 = b'_i \\ b_{i+1} &= a_i + 2 \leq a'_i + 2 = b'_i \\ \forall j \{i, i+1\} : b_j &= a_j \leq a'_j = b'_j \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $b \leq b'$ .

Now let's first look at the swap operation: Let  $b = m(a, i, j, k)$  and  $b' = s(b, i, j, k)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} b_i &= a_i - 1 \leq a'_i - 1 = b'_i \\ b_j &= a_k + 2 \leq a'_k + 2 = b'_j \\ b_k &= a_j + 2 \leq a'_j + 2 = b'_k \\ \forall j \{i, j, k\} : b_j &= a_j \leq a'_j = b'_j \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $b \leq b'$ .

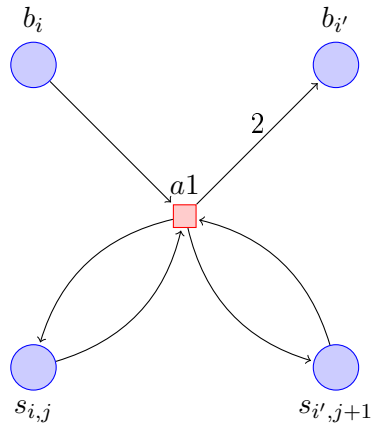
## 4 Petri Net

Define  $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

For each bucket  $i \in N$ , we have one place  $b_i$  that stores the number of coins in this bucket, and  $n$  places  $s_{i,j}$ ,  $j \in N$ , that stores the position of the bucket: Iff there is a token in place  $s_{i,j}$ , then bucket  $i$  is at position  $j$ . So, all in all, we have  $n^2 + n$  places.

For the first action we add the following transitions:

For every  $i \in N, i' \in N \setminus \{i\}, j \in N \setminus \{n\}$ :



For the second action we add the following transitions:  
For every  $i \in N, i' \in N \setminus \{i\}, i'' \in N \setminus \{i, i'\}, j < j' < j'' \in N$ :

