

02152 CONCURRENT SYSTEMS FALL 2008

## CP Exercise Class 1

Monday September 8

### Petri Nets

1. Solve Petri.2 (in the Auxiliary Exercises [Aux], page 1).
2. Is it possible to construct a Petri Net which allows the same sequences of actions, but without any concurrency?
3. Discuss some advantages/disadvantages of using a formal model like Petri Nets to describe activities compared to using natural language.
4. In a directed graph, a *fork* is a node with one incoming and two (or more) outgoing arrows. Draw the two kinds of forks that may occur in a Petri Net. What do these two kinds of forks model?
5. Do Petri.4 (you may consult [Basic 1] to recall the mathematical representation of Petri Nets).

### Processes

Four operations (= actions) are to be synchronized in the following way:

$A$ ,  $B$  og  $C$  are executed concurrently. When both  $A$  and  $B$  are done,  $D$  is executed. When both  $D$  and  $C$  are done, the execution starts all over again.

6. Draw a Petri Net where the operations are synchronized as described above.
7. Assume that a programming language has a statement construct:

$$\mathbf{co} \ S_1 \parallel S_2 \parallel \dots \parallel S_n \ \mathbf{co}$$

which executes the statements  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  concurrently and terminates when they are all terminated. (Such  $\mathbf{co} \dots \mathbf{oc}$  statements may be nested.)

Write a program which synchronizes the operations as in the Petri Net.

8. Assume that the operations are given as Java statements. Sketch a Java program in which the operations are synchronized as above.

### Interleavings

9. Do Exercise Trans.1 (on page 2 of the Auxiliary Exercises [Aux]).
10. [Optional, skip if you have forgotten basic combinatorics] Do Exercise Trans.2.
11. Do Andrews Ex. 2.11 (in the textbook).
12. [Optional] Do Andrews Ex. 2.14. You should draw *transition diagrams* for the processes, making their atomic actions explicit.