

## Homework till the 13th of June

1) Let the following two threads be given.

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x, y <- 0
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thread 1 do
  x <- x + 1
  y <- y + 1
end thread
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thread 2 do
  x <- x + 2
  y <- y + 2
end thread
```

Define an LTS for this program.

2) In a concurrent program, a process cycles continuously through two sections of code. The first section, denoted by  $n$ , is noncritical, whereas the second section, denoted by  $c$ , is critical, i.e., it is required that at most one process may access it. Before executing the critical section, the process visits a state, denoted by  $w$ , where it waits for access to the critical section. Informally, an execution path of a process is therefore

$$n \rightarrow w \rightarrow c \rightarrow n \rightarrow w \rightarrow c \rightarrow \dots .$$

Access to the critical section is granted by a scheduler which may pick any of the waiting processes nondeterministically.

- 1 Define a suitable LTS that models the program with two processes. (Hint: you may want to label a state with  $\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle$ , where  $s_i \in \{n_i, w_i, c_i\}$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ .)

- 2 Execution might not be fair. There are infinite paths starting at  $\langle w_1, w_2 \rangle$  where thread 1 never enters the critical section. Specify one such path.
- 3 Sketch roughly how three, instead of two, parallel processes could be modelled by means of an LTS.
- 4 Can you give a finite upper bound to the total number of states of the LTS that models the program with *twenty* processes?
- 5 Suppose now that the scheduler serves the waiting processes according to a first-come first-served policy. Define a suitable LTS that models the program with two processes.