

Assignment 02 — 25.09.2019 – v1.1

Concurrency and Java

Exercise 1 (2 Points)

Answer the following questions (0.5 point each):

- What states can a Java thread be in?
- How can you turn a Java class into a monitor?
- What is the *Runnable* interface good for?
- Specify an FSP that repeatedly performs hello, but may stop at any time.

Exercise 2 (2 Points)

Consider the following Java implementation of a Singleton within a single-threaded application:

```
public class Singleton {
    private static Singleton instance = null;
    private Singleton() {}
    public static Singleton getInstance() {
        if(instance == null) {
            instance = new Singleton();
        }
        return instance;
    }
}
```

- What could happen if the application is multithreaded?
- How can you transform the existing implementation into a thread-safe singleton by just adding one keyword? Please provide your code!
- Suppose there arrive 1000 requests/second from different threads at the singleton you just made thread-safe. Does your implementation introduce a bottleneck? If yes, how can you improve it?

Exercise 3 (3.5 Points)

Download LTSA from <http://www.doc.ic.ac.uk/~jnm/book/ltsa/download.html>. For each of the following processes shown in Figure 1, provide the Finite State Process (FSP) description of the corresponding Labeled Transition System (LTS) graph. You may verify the FSP descriptions by generating the state machines and using the “draw” functionality of the tool.

Exercise 4 (2.5 Points)

Consider the full Race5K FSP from the lecture.

- How many states and how many possible traces does it have if the number of steps is 5 (as in the lecture)?
- What is the number of states and traces in the general case (*i.e.*, for n steps)?
- Check your solution using the LTSA tool.

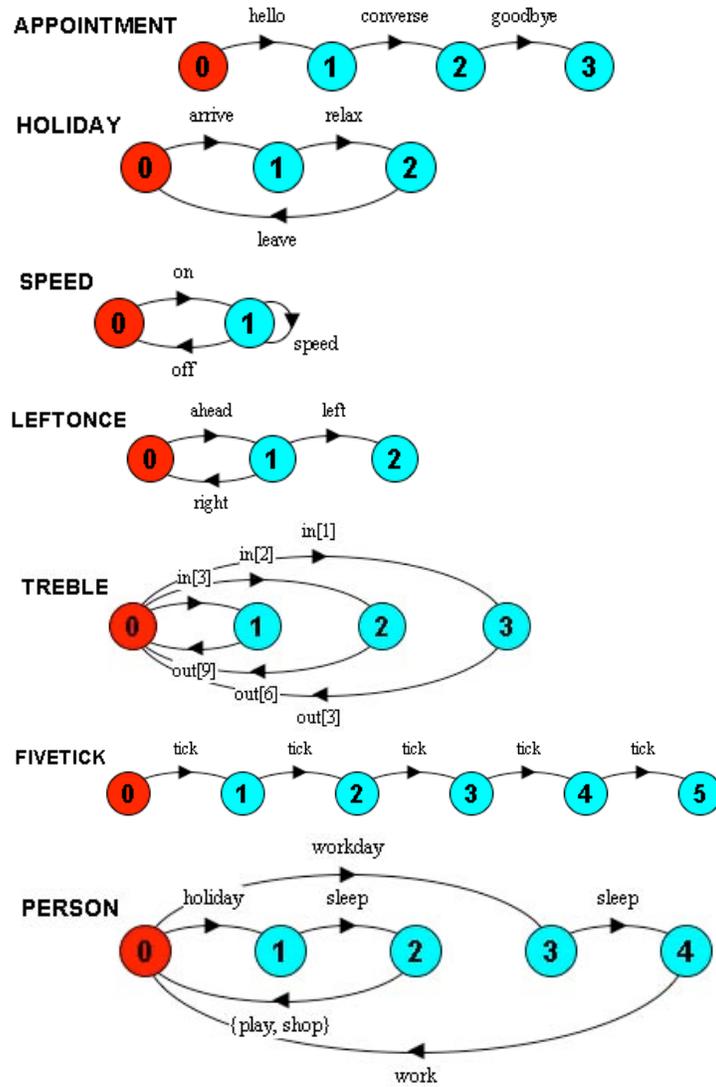


Figure 1: LTS graphs.