

# Lecture 4: Checking properties in NuSMV

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# Outline

- ▶ **Module 1:** Synchronous Vs Asynchronous composition
- ▶ **Module 2:** More examples of NuSMV models and properties
- ▶ **Module 3:** A problem in concurrency
- ▶ **Module 4:** What is a property?

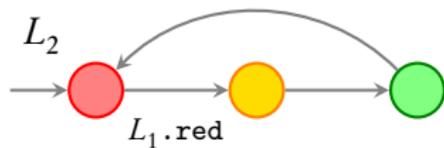
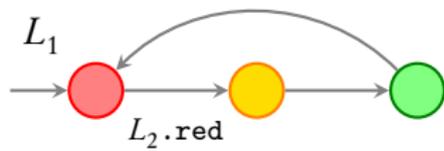
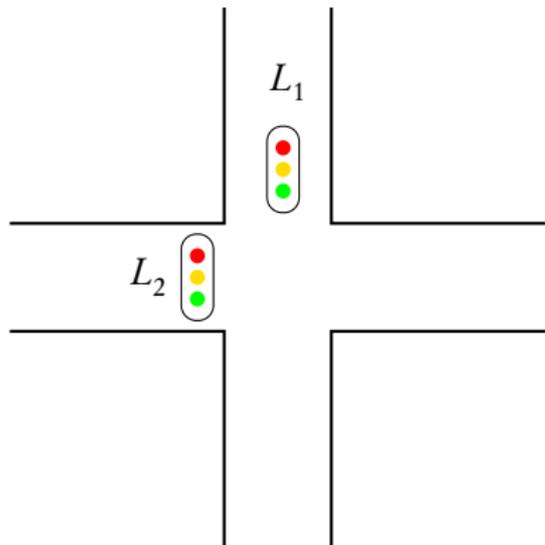
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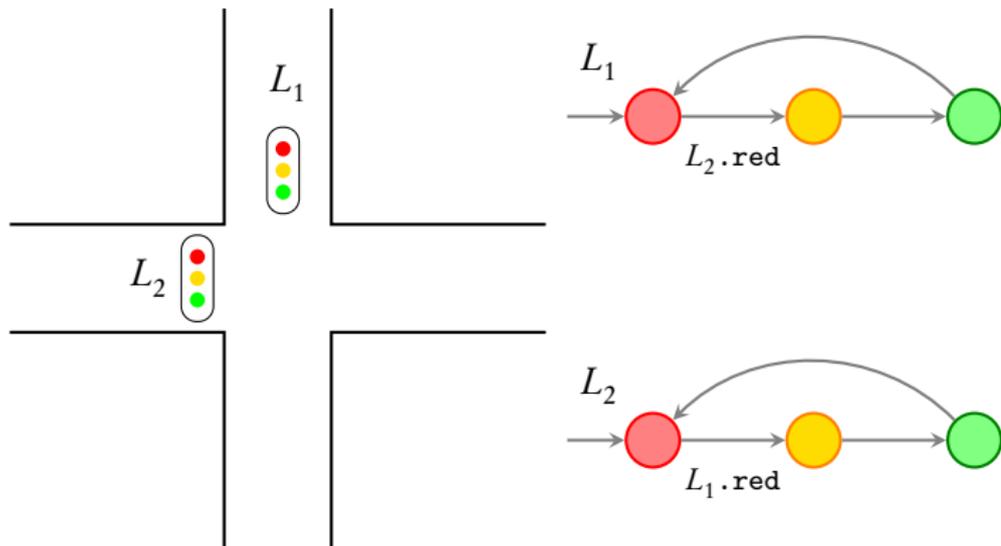
# Synchronous Vs Asynchronous composition

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If a light is **red**, it can **stay red** for an **arbitrary period**

If it goes **yellow**, it should become **green within one cycle**

If it is **green**, it can **stay green** for an **arbitrary period**

```
MODULE light(other)
VAR
    state: {r,y,g};
ASSIGN
    init(state) := r;
    next(state) := case
        state=r & other=r : {r, y};
        state=y : g;
        state=g : {g, r};
        TRUE : state;
    esac;

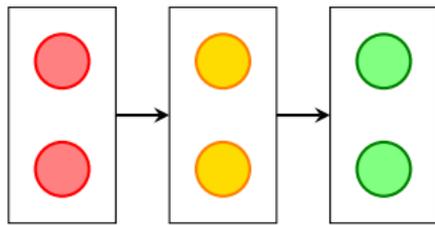
MODULE main
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    t1: light(t12.state);  t12: light(t11.state);
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# Synchronous composition

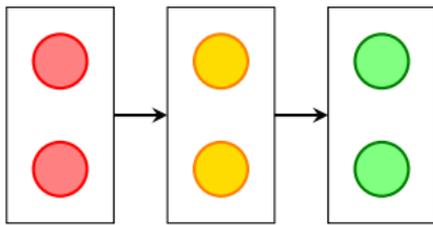
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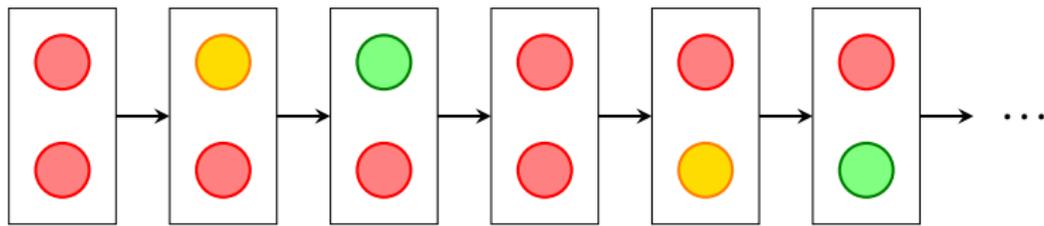
Both lights can **simultaneously** become green!

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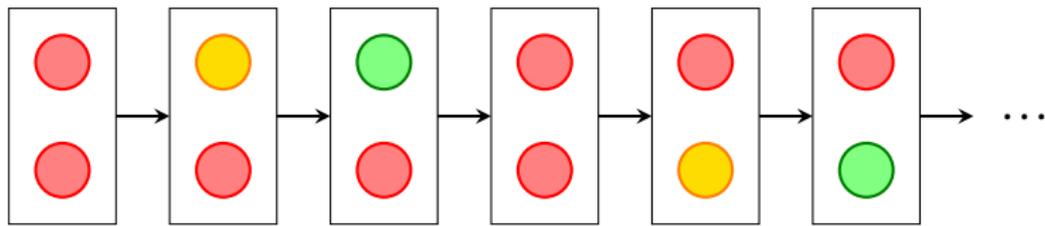
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**Only one light can become green at a time**

▶ **Synchronous:**

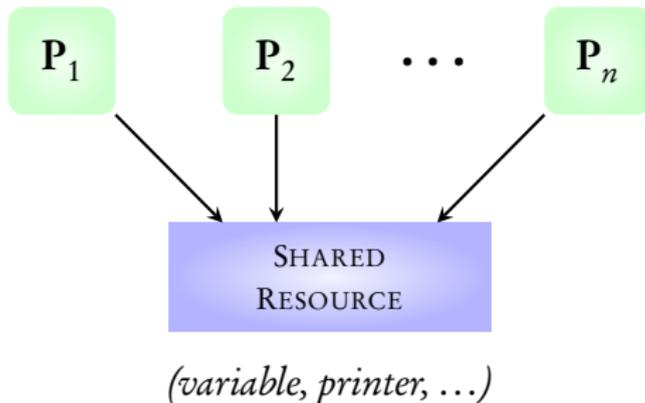
- ▶ all assignments to all modules made **simultaneously**
- ▶ suitable when all modules are synchronized to a **global clock**

▶ **Asynchronous:**

- ▶ execution of modules is **interleaved**
- ▶ at a time, **only one** module executes
- ▶ choice of next module to be executed is **non-deterministic**
- ▶ suitable when **no assumptions** can be made **about communication delay** between modules

Synchronous  
vs.  
Asynchronous  
systems

Module 2:  
**More examples**



**Mutual Exclusion:** No two processes can access the resource simultaneously

**P<sub>1</sub>**

**loop forever**

⋮           \*non-critical actions\*

*request*

critical section

*release*

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**end loop**

**P<sub>2</sub>**

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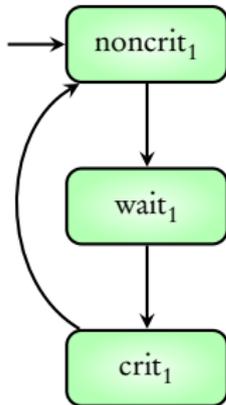
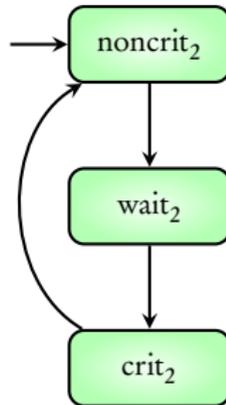
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$P_1$ **loop forever** $\vdots$  \*non-critical actions\**request*

critical section

*release* $\vdots$  \*non-critical actions\***end loop** $P_2$ **loop forever** $\vdots$  \*non-critical actions\**request*

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$P_1$ 

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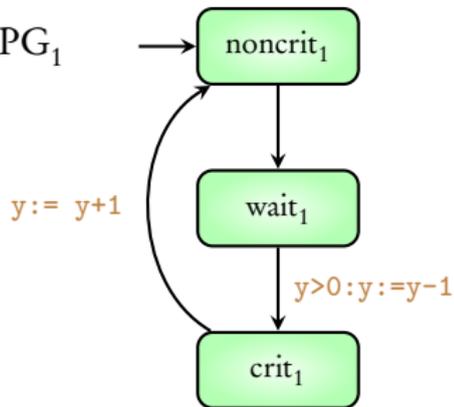
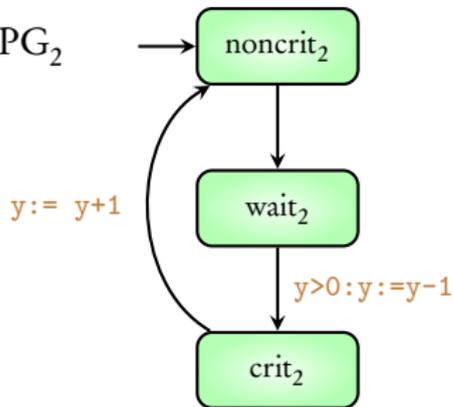
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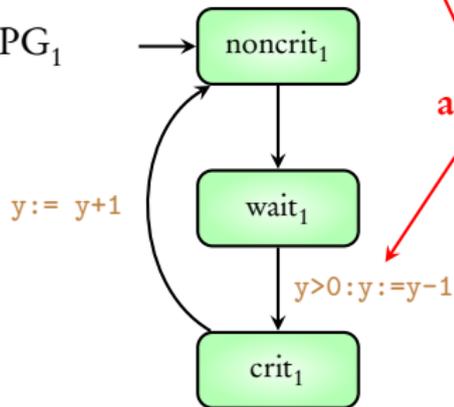
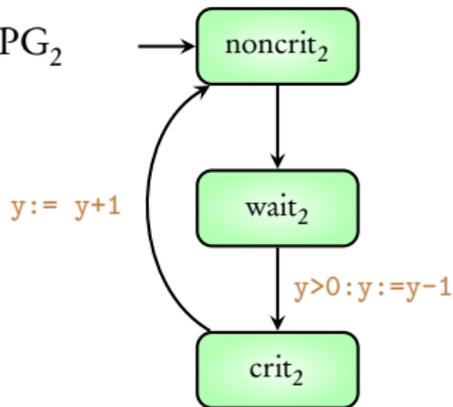
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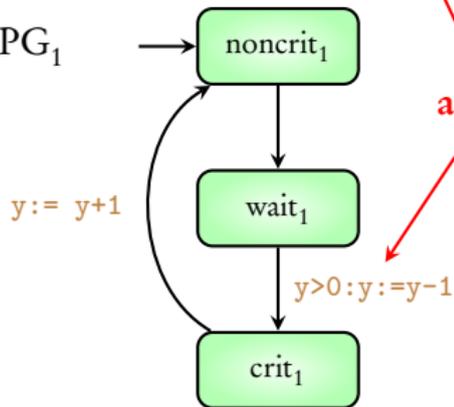
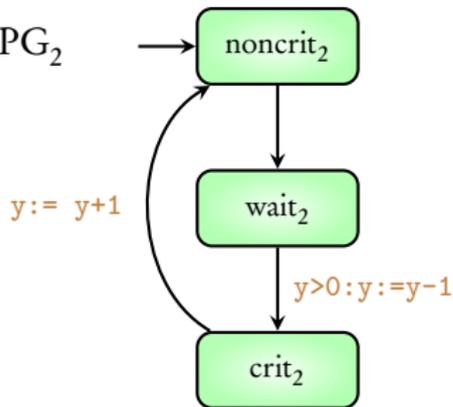
 $P_2$ 

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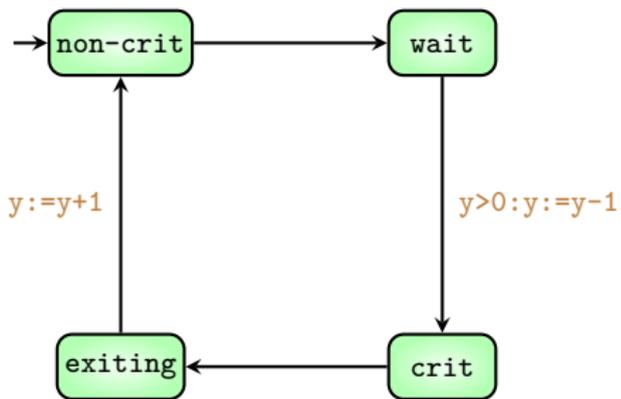
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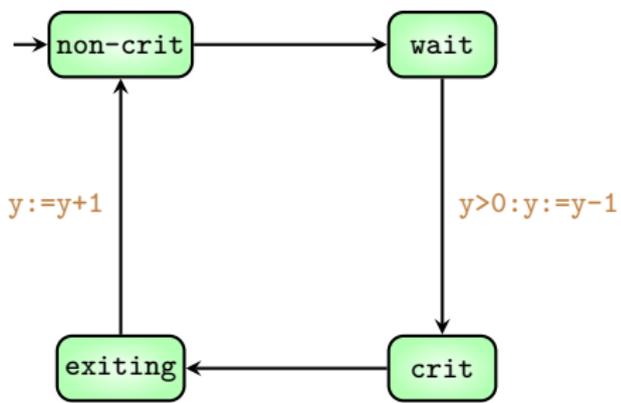
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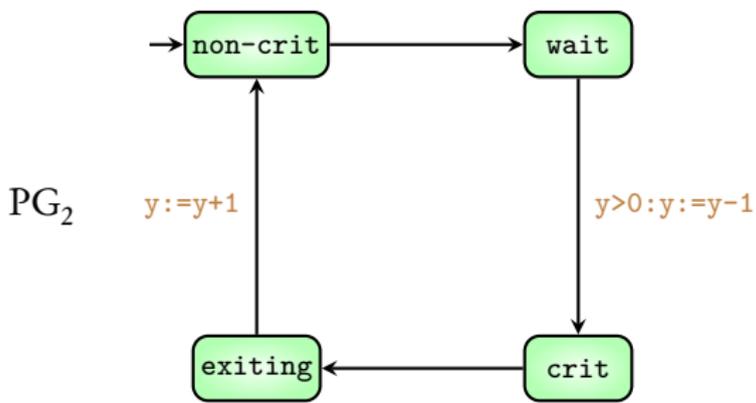
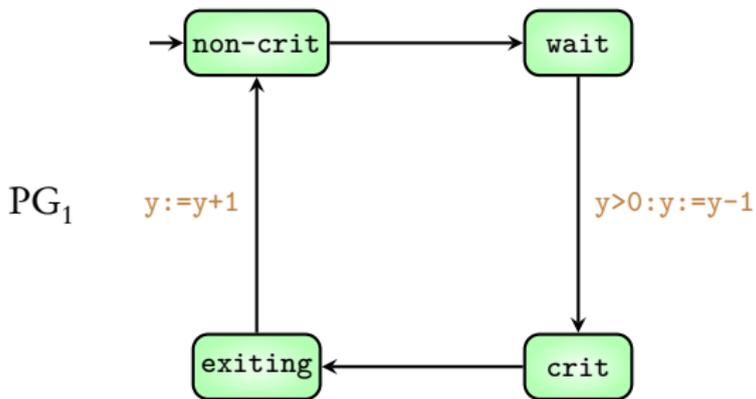
**Coming next:** A slight modification of previous mutual exclusion protocol

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NuSMV demo: mutex-demo1.smv

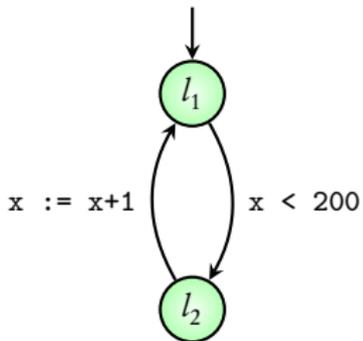
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**Mutual Exclusion**



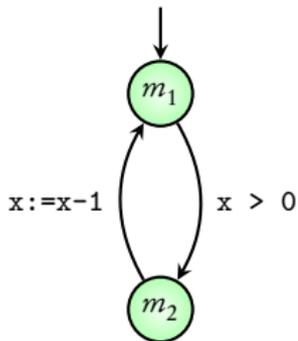
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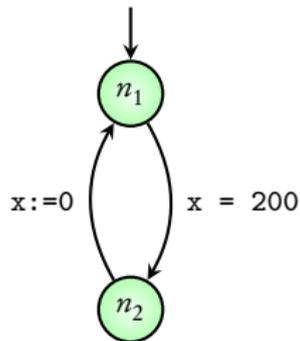
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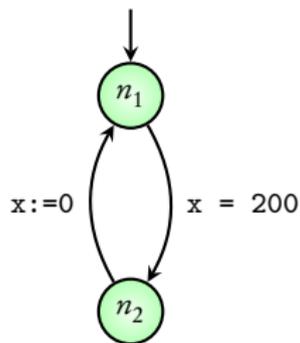
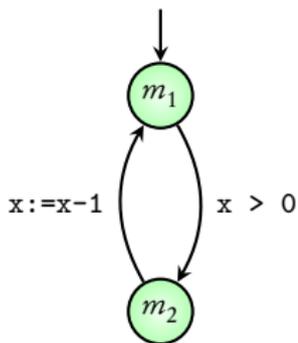
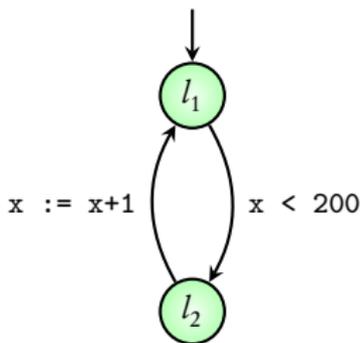
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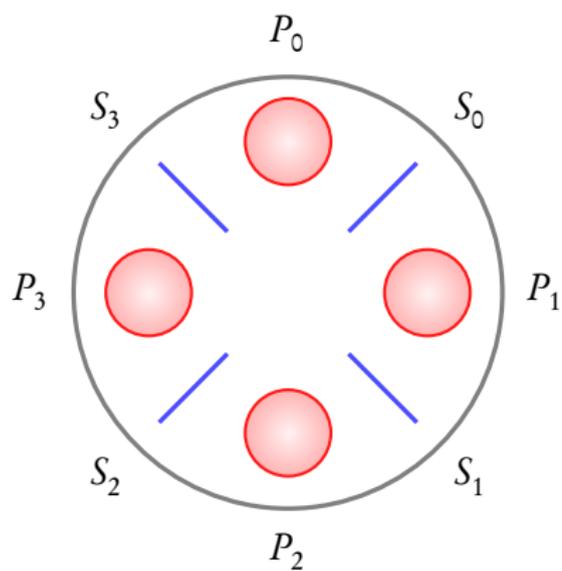
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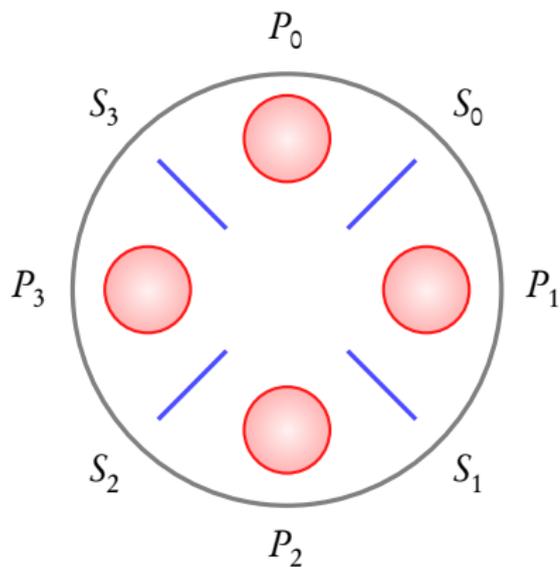
## Module 3:

# A problem in concurrency



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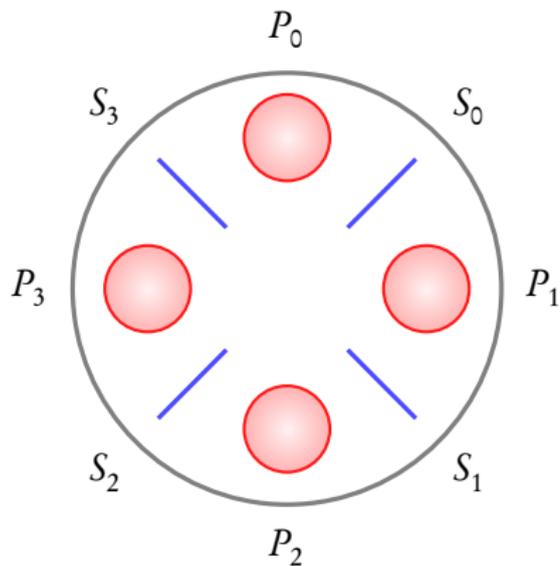
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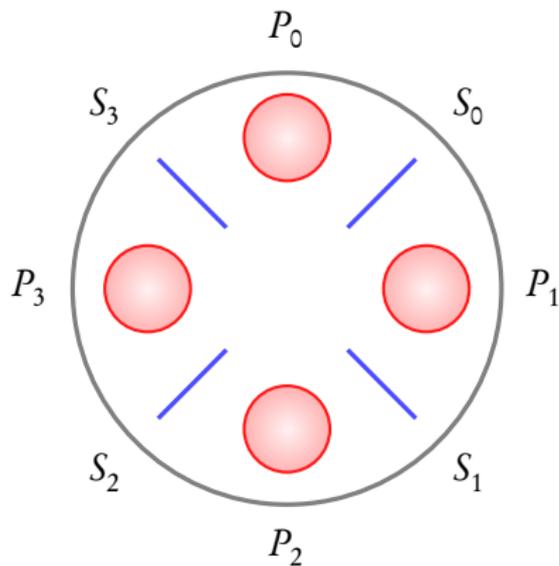
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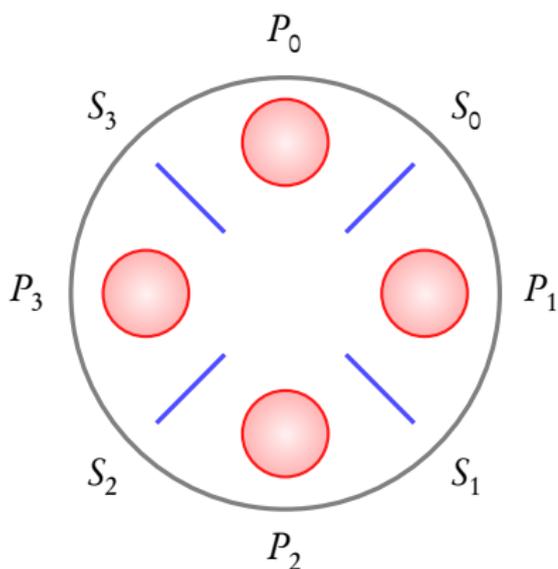
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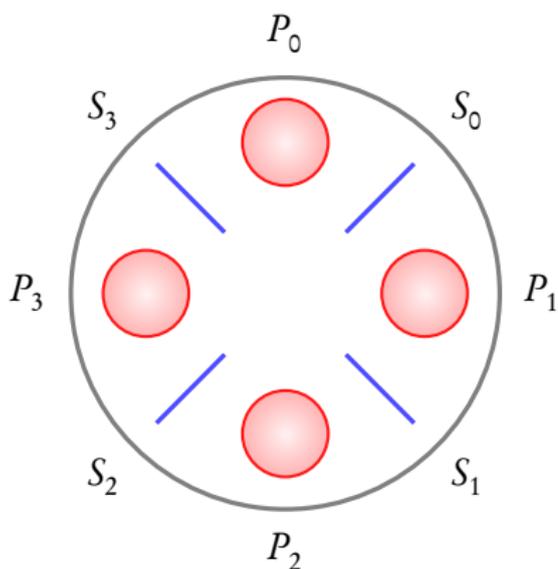
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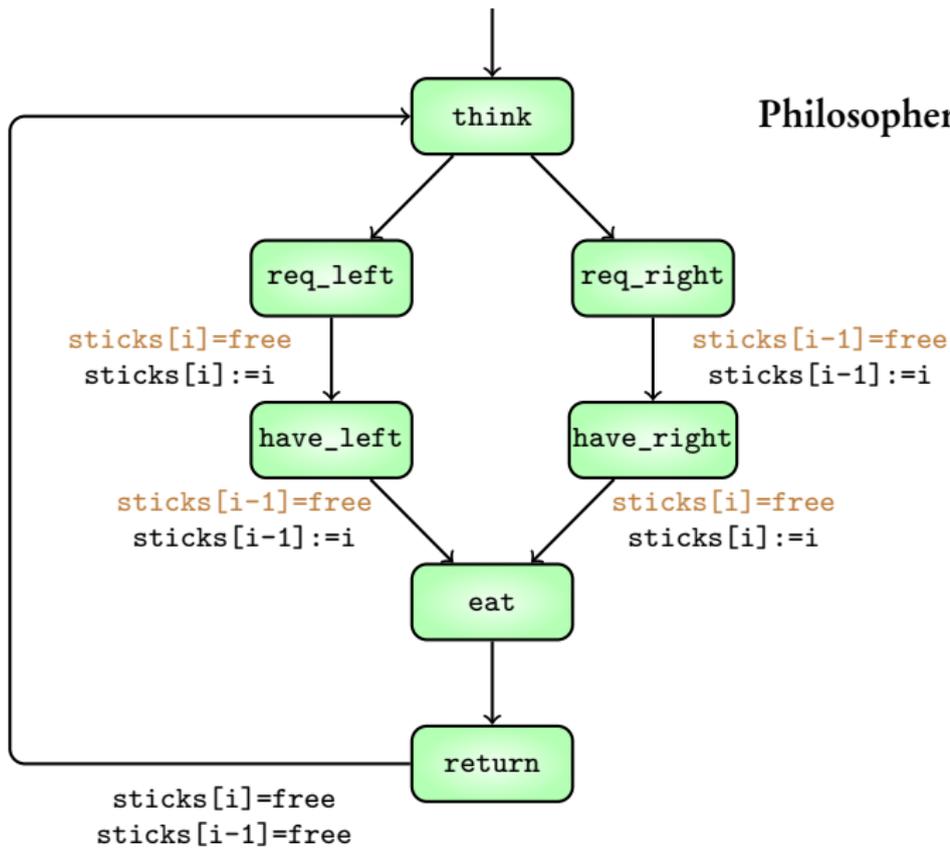
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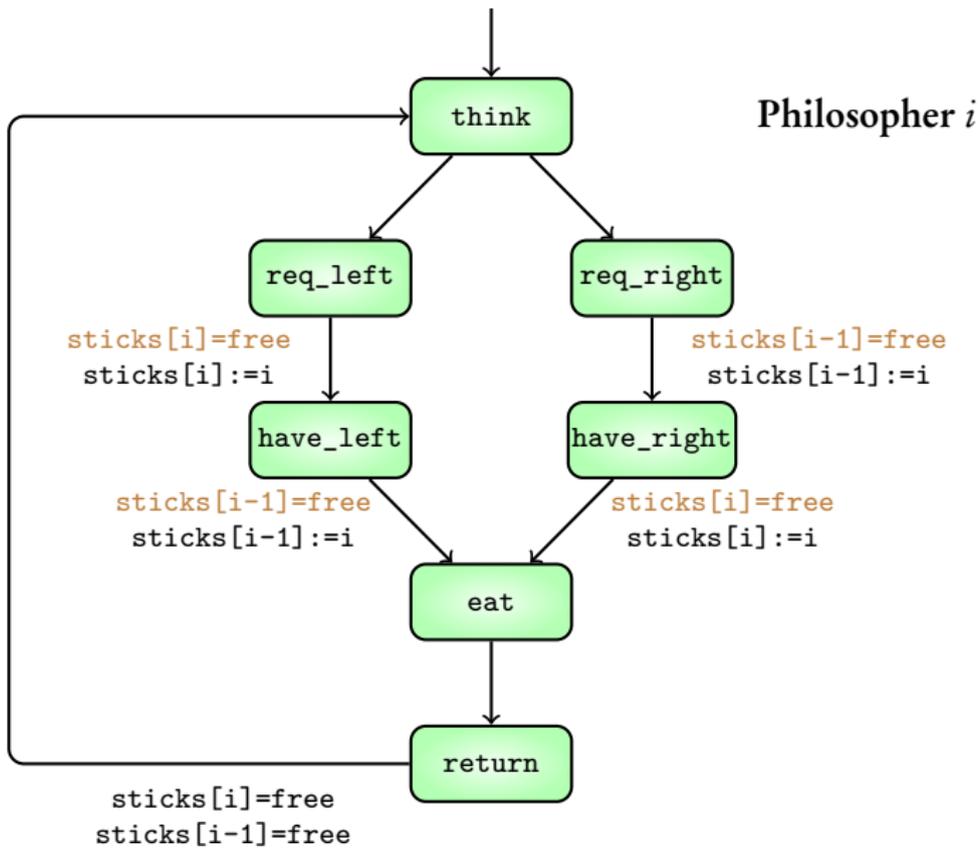
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What should the **protocol** be so that **every philosopher** can eat **infinitely often**?

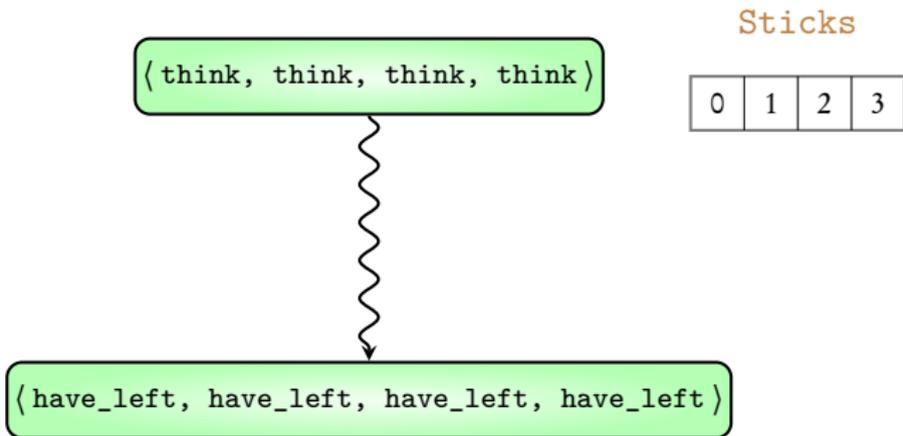
**Coming next:** A protocol for the dining philosophers

# Philosopher $i$





# A deadlock



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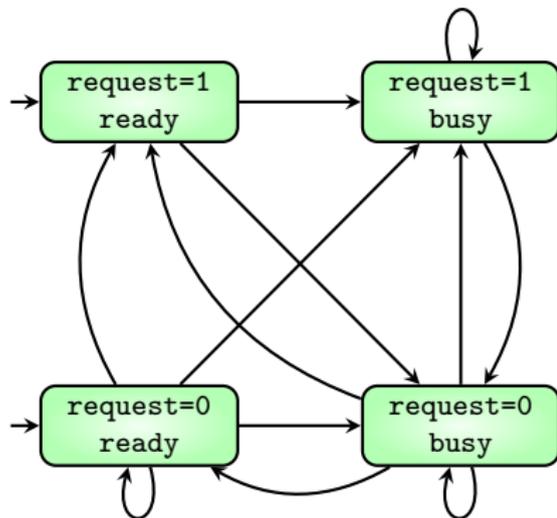
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## Module 4:

**What is a “property”?**

**Goal:** Attach a **mathematical meaning** to “property”



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```
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ASSIGN
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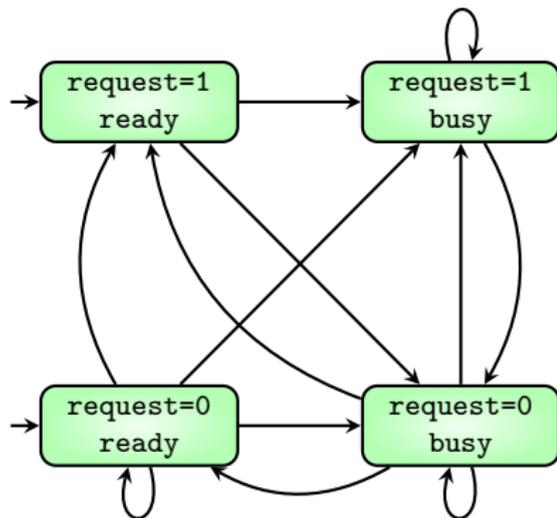
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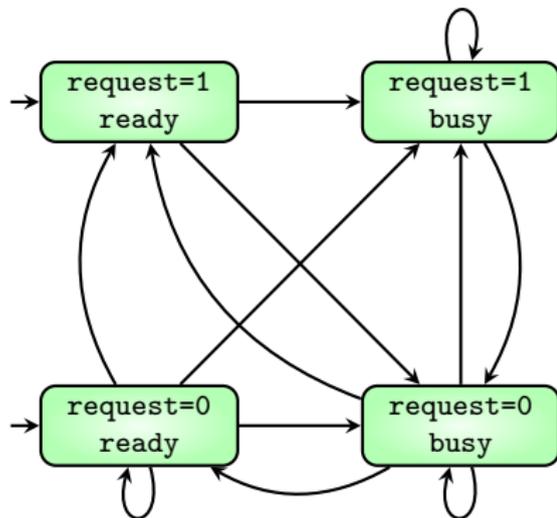
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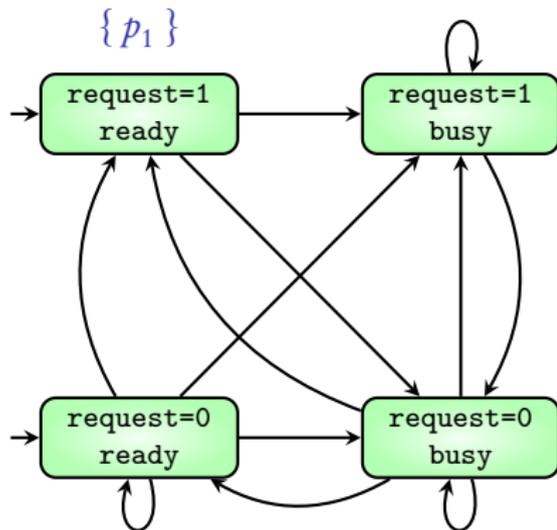
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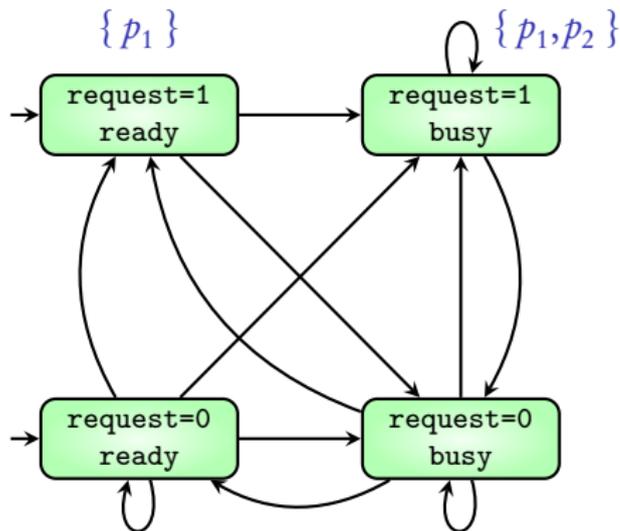
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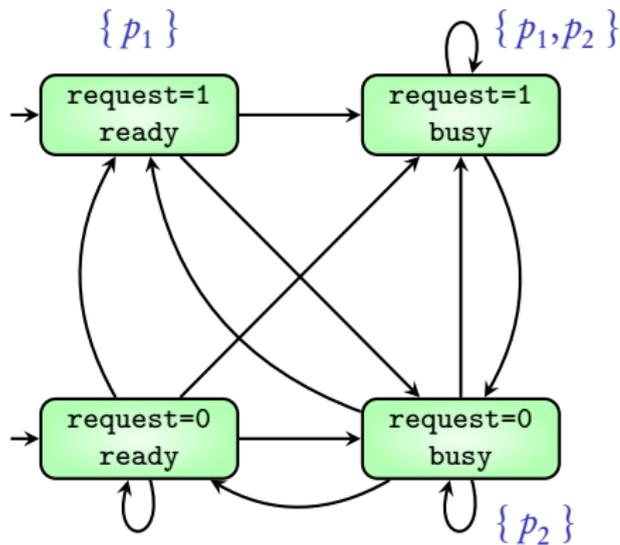
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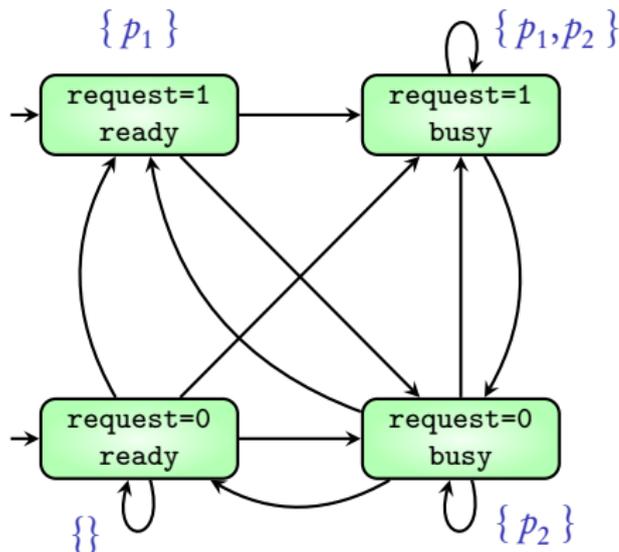
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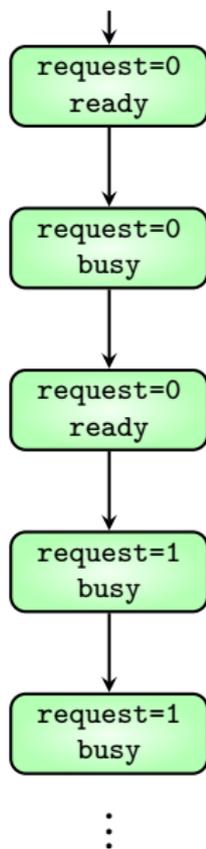
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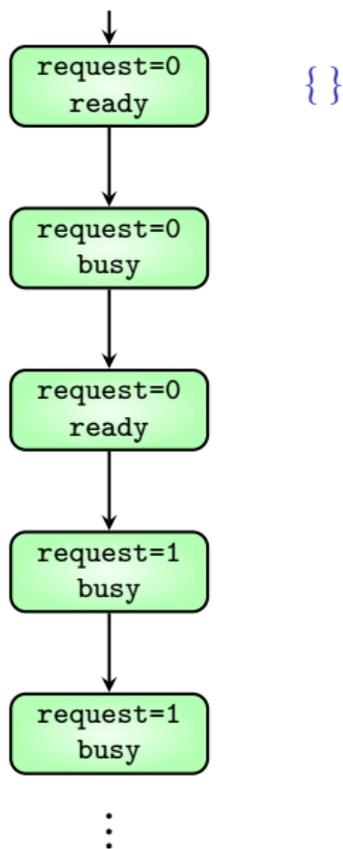
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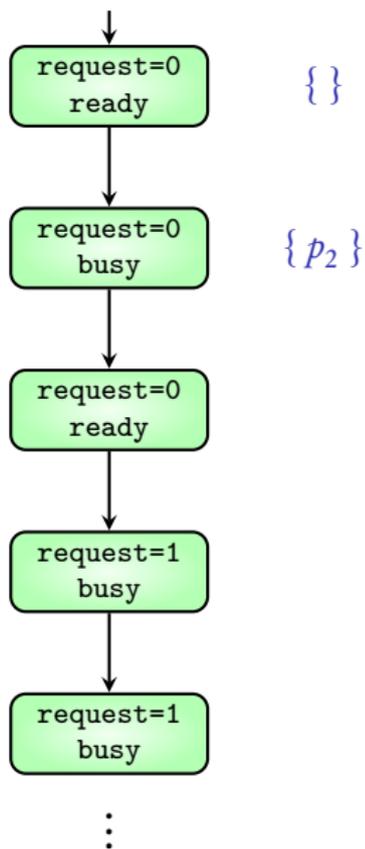
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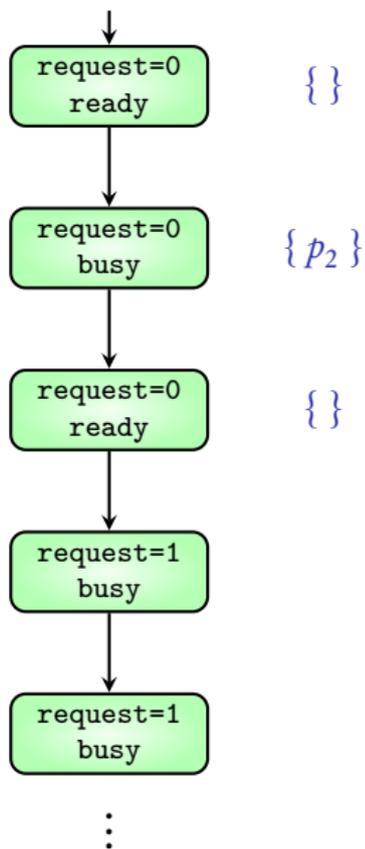
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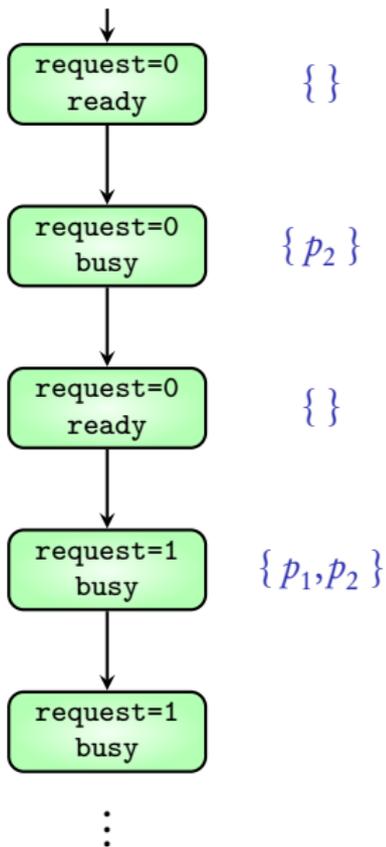
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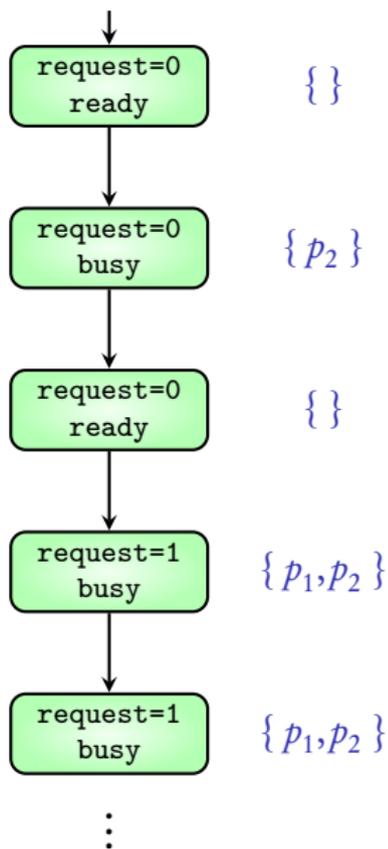
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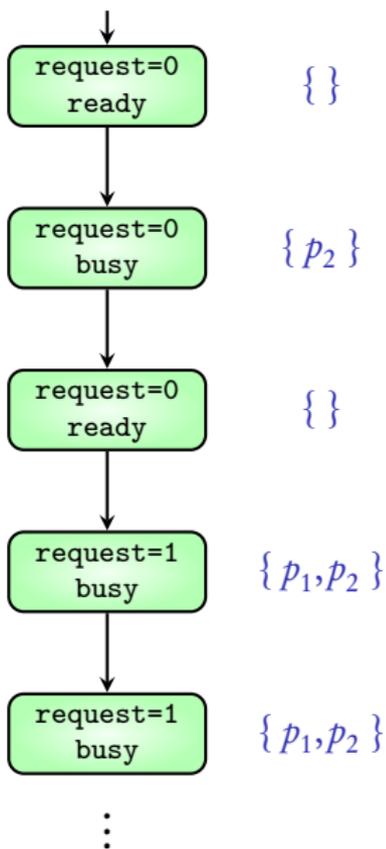


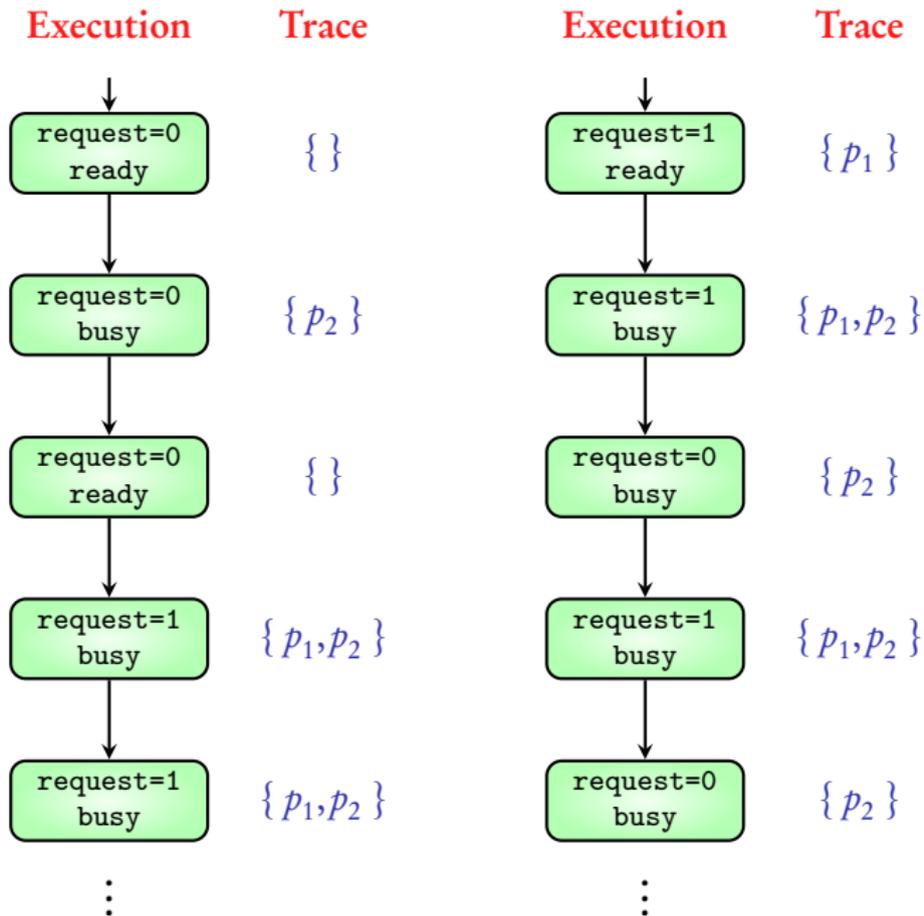
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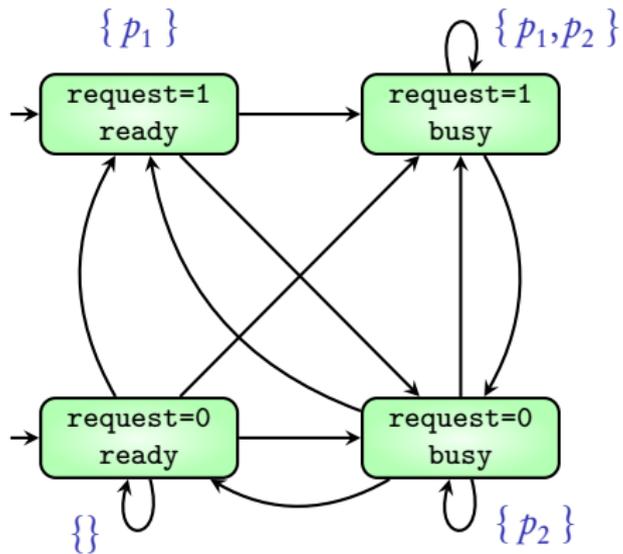
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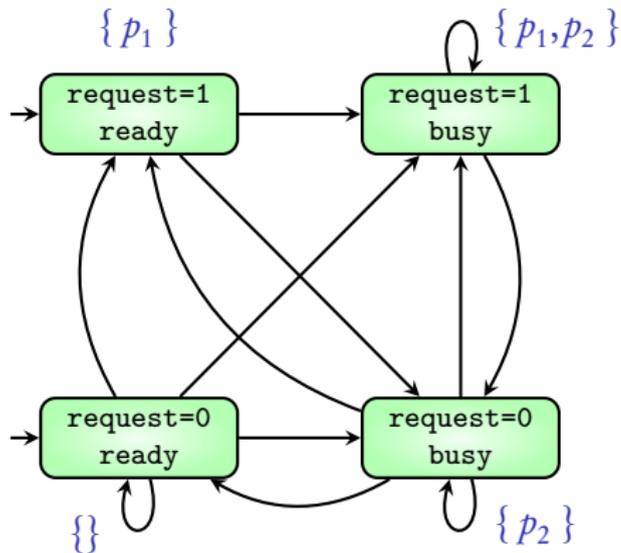


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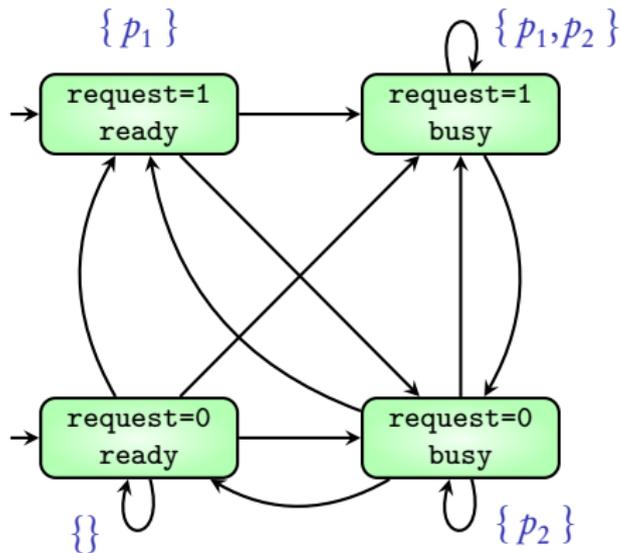








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Traces of a TS describe its **behaviour** with respect to the atomic propositions

## Behaviour of TS

Atomic propositions

Set of its **traces**

**Coming next:** What is a **property**?

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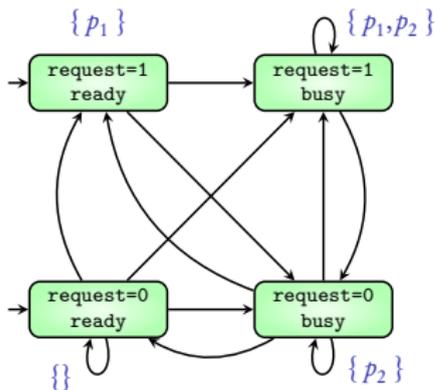
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Subset of AP-INF

When does a transition system **satisfy** a property?

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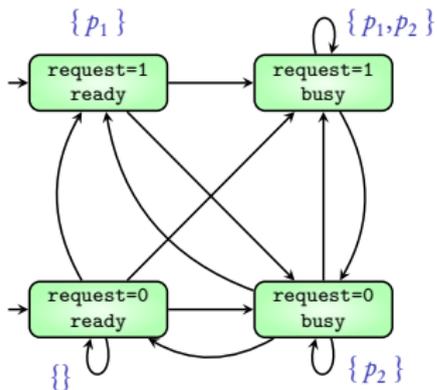
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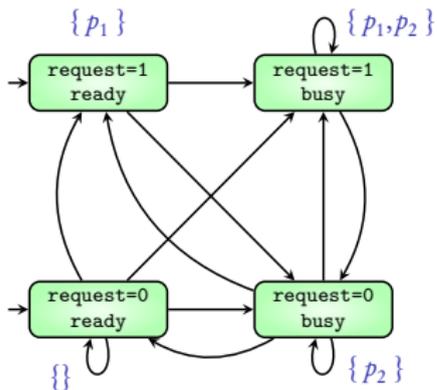
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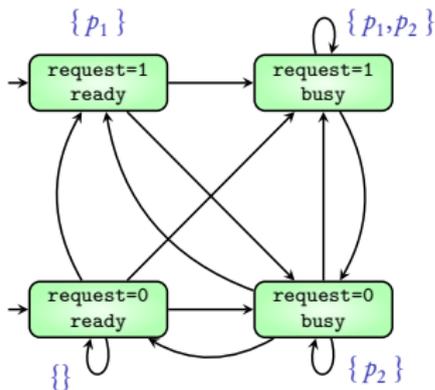
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Transition system  $TS$  satisfies property  $P$  if

$$\text{Traces}(TS) \subseteq P$$

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→ hence also called **Linear-time property**

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# Take-away

- ▶ Use of **MODULE** in NuSMV
- ▶ **Synchronous Vs Asynchronous** composition of modules
- ▶ Mutual exclusion: checked some kind of **safety** property
- ▶ What properties do we check for detecting **deadlocks**?
- ▶ Definition of **property**