Supplementary document to "Critical Observability Verification and Enforcement of Labeled Petri Nets by Using Basis Markings"

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Theorem 1: [1] Let $G = (PN, M_0, E, \lambda)$ be an LPN whose unobservable subnet is acyclic. For all $w \in \mathcal{L}(G)$, it holds

$$C(w) = \bigcup_{M_b \in C_b(w)} \mathcal{U}(M_b)$$

$$= \bigcup_{M_b \in C_b(w)} \{ M \in \mathbb{N}^m | \exists \vec{y}_u \in \mathbb{N}^{n_{uo}} :$$

$$M = M_b + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_u \}.$$

$$(1)$$

Theorem 2: [2] Given an LPN G, let $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{M}_B, E, \delta, M_0)$ be its BRG. The following two statements are equivalent:

- 1) There exist a marking M and a firing sequence $\sigma = \sigma_{u_1} t_1 \sigma_{u_2} t_2 \cdots \sigma_{u_n} t_n \sigma_{u_{n+1}}$ with $\sigma_{u_i} \in T_{uo}^*$, $\lambda(\sigma) = e_1 e_2 \cdots e_n$, and $t_j \in T_o$ for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ and for all $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, such that $M_0[\sigma]M$;
- 2) There is a path $M_0 \xrightarrow{e_1} M_1 \xrightarrow{e_2} \cdots \xrightarrow{e_n} M_n$ in the BRG \mathcal{B} such that $M \in \mathcal{U}(M_n)$.

Definition 1: [3] Let us consider an LPN $G = (PN, M_0, E, \lambda)$ and a set of critical markings C_R . G is said to be *critically observable* if $[\mathcal{C}(w) \subseteq C_R] \vee [\mathcal{C}(w) \subseteq R(PN, M_0) \setminus C_R]$, for all $w \in \mathcal{L}(G)$.

Definition 2: Given an LPN $G=(PN,M_0,E,\lambda)$, its BRG $\mathcal{B}=(\mathcal{M}_B,E,\delta,M_0)$, and a set of critical markings C_R , the set of fully-critical basis markings is defined as $\mathcal{F}=\{M\in\mathcal{M}_B|\mathcal{U}(M)\subseteq C_R\}$, the set of partially-critical basis markings is defined as $\mathcal{P}=\{M\in\mathcal{M}_B|\mathcal{U}(M)\cap C_R\neq\emptyset\land\mathcal{U}(M)\setminus C_R\neq\emptyset\}$, and the set of non-critical basis markings is defined as $\mathcal{N}=\{M\in\mathcal{M}_B|\mathcal{U}(M)\cap C_R=\emptyset\}$.

Definition 3: Given an LPN G and a critical marking set C_R , a state x=(M,M') in the twin-BRG of G is said to be critical observability violative if one of the following two conditions holds:

- 1) $M \in \mathcal{P}$;
- 2) $M \in \mathcal{F}$ and $M' \in \mathcal{N}$.

Proposition 1: Given an LPN $G = (PN, M_0, E, \lambda)$, its BRG $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{M}_B, E, \delta, M_0)$, and a set of critical markings

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 $C_R = \{M_c^1, \dots, M_c^q\}$, a basis marking $M \in \mathcal{M}_B$ is fully-critical *iff* the integer constraint set (2) is infeasible, a basis marking $M \in \mathcal{M}_B$ is partially-critical *iff* the integer constraint sets (2) and (3) are feasible, and a basis marking $M \in \mathcal{M}_B$ is non-critical *iff* the integer constraint set (3) is infeasible:

$$\begin{cases}
\bigwedge_{\substack{M_c^k \in C_R \\ M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma} \geq \vec{0}, \\
\vec{y}_{\sigma} \in \mathbb{N}^{n_{uo}}
\end{cases}} M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma} \geq \vec{0}, \tag{2}$$

$$\begin{cases}
\bigvee_{\substack{M_c^k \in C_R \\ M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma'} \geq \vec{0}, \\ \vec{v}_{\sigma'} \in \mathbb{N}^{n_{uo}}.}} M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma'} \geq \vec{0}, \\
\end{aligned} (3)$$

Proof: (If) First, if Eq. (2) is infeasible, then there is no marking $M' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_\sigma \notin C_R$ such that $M[\sigma_u\rangle M'$ with $\vec{y}_{\sigma_u} = \vec{y}_\sigma$ by Theorem 1. That is to say, M is a fully-critical basis marking. Second, if Eqs. (2) and (3) are feasible, then there exist two markings $M' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_\sigma \notin C_R$ and $M'' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma'} \in C_R$. By Theorem 1, we have $M[\sigma_u\rangle M'$ and $M[\sigma'_u\rangle M''$ with $\vec{y}_{\sigma_u} = \vec{y}_\sigma$ and $\vec{y}_{\sigma'_u} = \vec{y}_{\sigma'}$. Thus, M is a partially-critical basis marking. Third, if Eq. (3) is infeasible, then there is no marking $M'' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma'} \in C_R$ such that $M[\sigma'_u\rangle M''$ with $\vec{y}_{\sigma'_u} = \vec{y}_{\sigma'}$ by Theorem 1, i.e., M is a non-critical basis marking.

(Only if) We prove it by contrapositive. First, if Eq. (2) is feasible, then there is a marking $M' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_\sigma \notin C_R$ such that $M[\sigma_u\rangle M'$ with $\vec{y}_{\sigma_u} = \vec{y}_\sigma$ by Theorem 1, which implies that M is not a fully-critical basis marking. Second, if Eq. (2) or Eq. (3) is infeasible, from the if-part of the proof, M is not a partially-critical basis marking. Third, if Eq. (3) is feasible, then there is a marking $M'' = M + C_u \cdot \vec{y}_{\sigma'} \in C_R$ such that $M[\sigma'_u\rangle M''$ with $\vec{y}_{\sigma'_u} = \vec{y}_{\sigma'}$ by Theorem 1. Thus, M is not a non-critical basis marking.

Proposition 2: Given an LPN $G = (PN, M_0, E, \lambda)$, its BRG $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{M}_B, E, \delta, M_0)$, and a set of critical markings C_R , G is critically observable if there is no partially-critical basis marking in the BRG \mathcal{B} of G.

Proof: By contrapositive, suppose that the LPN is not critically observable. It implies that there exists at least one word w such that $\mathcal{C}(w) \cap C_R \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{C}(w) \setminus C_R \neq \emptyset$. Based on Theorems 1 and 2, there exists a path $M_0 \stackrel{w}{\longrightarrow} M$ in the BRG such that $M \in \mathcal{C}(w)$ with $\mathcal{U}(M) \cup C_R \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{U}(M) \setminus C_R \neq \emptyset$. Thus, M is a partially-critical basis marking in the BRG. \square

Proposition 3: Given an LPN $G = (PN, M_0, E, \lambda)$, its twin-BRG $B = (X, E, \delta_{tw}, x_0)$, and a critical marking set C_R , G is critically observable *iff* there is no critical observability violative state in the twin-BRG B of G.

Proof: (If) By contrapositive, suppose that G is not critically observable. Then, we have an event sequence w such that $\mathcal{C}(w) \cap C_R \neq \emptyset$ and $\mathcal{C}(w) \cap (R(PN, M_0) \setminus C_R) \neq \emptyset$. There exist two firing sequences σ_1 and σ_2 with the same observation w such that $M_0[\sigma_1\rangle M_2 \in C_R$ and $M_0[\sigma_2\rangle M_2' \notin C_R$. By the construction of the twin-BRG and Theorem 2, there exists a path $x_0 = (M_0, M_0) \xrightarrow{w} x = (M_1, M_1')$ in the twin-BRG such that one of the following two conditions holds: (i) $x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x$, $M_2 \in \mathcal{U}(M_1)$ and $M_2' \in \mathcal{U}(M_1')$ and (ii) $x_0 \xrightarrow{w} x$, $M_2 \in \mathcal{U}(M_1)$ and $M_2' \in \mathcal{U}(M_1)$. Thus, x is a critical observability violative state.

(Only if) By contrapositive, suppose that there exists a critical observability violative state $x=(M_1,M_1')$ in the twin-BRG B. Then, we have the following two cases: (i) $M_1 \in \mathcal{P}$ and (ii) $M_1 \in \mathcal{F}$ and $M_1' \in \mathcal{N}$. For the first case, based on Proposition 2 and the construction of the BRG, we conclude that G is not critically observable. For the second case, we have two paths in the BRG such that $M_0 \stackrel{w}{\longrightarrow} M_1$ and $M_0 \stackrel{w}{\longrightarrow} M_1'$ based on the construction of the twin-BRG. Moreover, from Definition 3, we know that there exist two markings M_2 and M_2' such that $M_2 \in \mathcal{U}(M_1) \cap C_R$ and $M_2' \in \mathcal{U}(M_1') \setminus C_R$. Based on Theorem 2, the existence of M_2 and M_2' implies that $M_0[\sigma_1\rangle M_2$ and $M_0[\sigma_2\rangle M_2'$ with $\lambda(\sigma_1) = \lambda(\sigma_2) = w$, i.e., $\{M_2, M_2'\} \subseteq \mathcal{C}(w)$. Thus, G is not critically observable.

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