

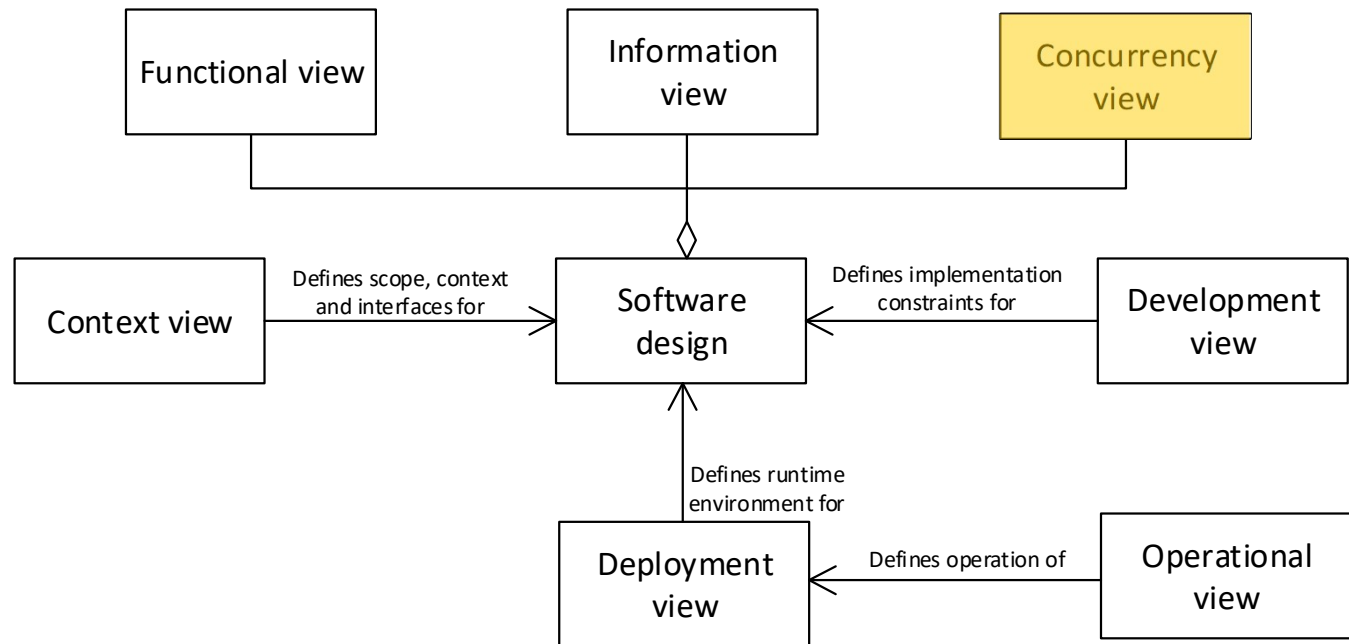


# *Lecture 7: concurrency viewpoint II*

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## Viewpoint catalog

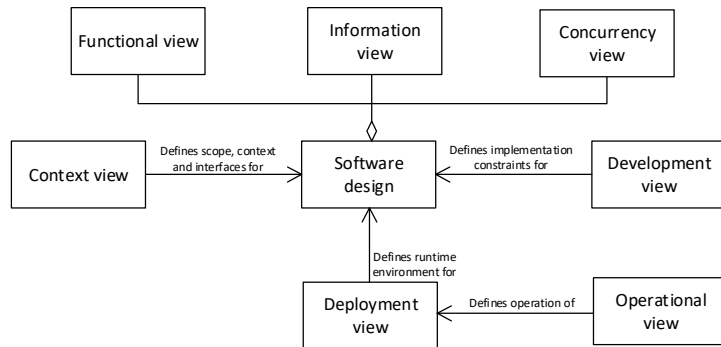


Viewpoint:

**Collection of patterns, templates and conventions for constructing one type of view. It defines the stakeholders whose concerns are reflected in the viewpoint and the guidelines, principles, and template models for constructing its views**



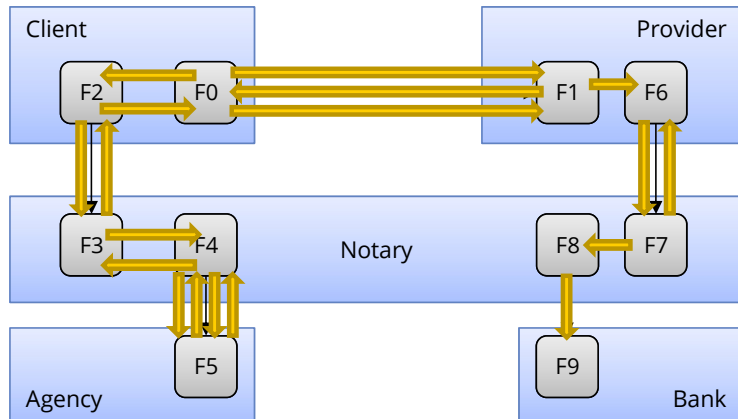
## Concurrency view



- Concurrency view:  
**Describes the concurrency structure of the system and maps functional elements to concurrency units to clearly identify the parts of the system that can execute concurrently and how this is coordinated and controlled**
- Concerns  
**Task structure, mapping of functional elements to tasks,  
Inter-process communication,  
State management,  
Synchronization and integrity,  
Supporting scalability, task failure,  
Startup and shutdown, re-entrancy**
- Models and views  
**System level concurrency models  
State models, protocol models**



## Logical model and scenarios



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i.e.,  $\sigma \in (\rightarrow)^*$  such that:**

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$$\forall 1 < i < |\sigma|: \left( \exists 1 < j < i : \pi_3(\sigma(j)) = \pi_1(\sigma(i)) \right)$$

Problem: scenarios can be conflicting!

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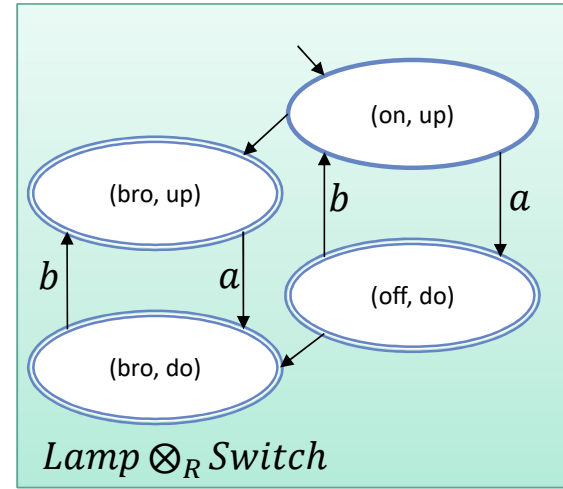
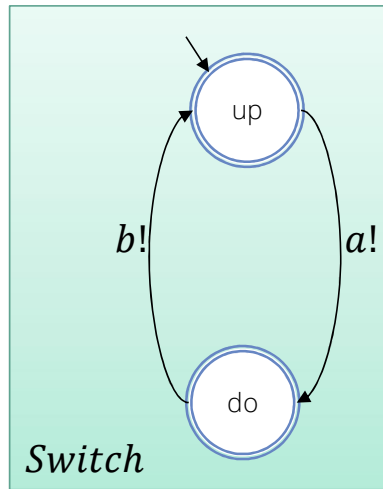
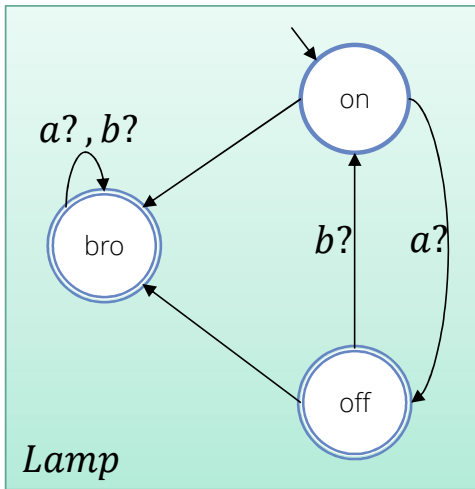


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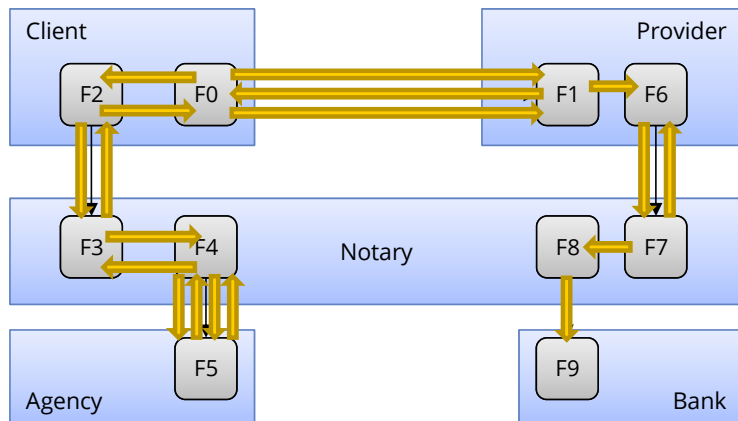
## Composing interface automata



$$R = \{a, b\}$$



## Communication mechanisms



- Synchronous communication  
**You have to know in which state the other is!**
- Asynchronous communication  
**Send messages to the other, the state of the other is unknown!**

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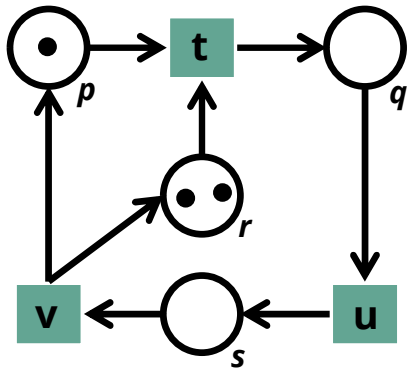


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# *Petri nets*



## Petri nets: formal definition



$N = ((P, T, F), m_0)$  with:

$$P = \{p, q, r, s\}$$

$$T = \{t, u, v\}$$

$$F = \{(p, t), (r, t), (t, q), (q, u), \\ (u, s), (s, v), (v, r), (v, p)\}$$

$$m_0 = [p, r^2]$$

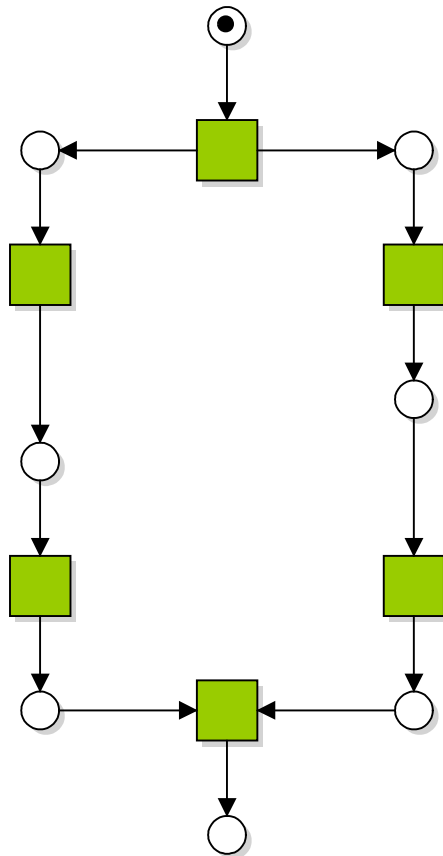
( reads as:  $[p^1, r^2, q^0, s^0]$  )

- A Petri net is a 4-tuple  $N = ((P, T, F), m_0)$  with:
  - $P$ : a (finite) set of places
  - $T$ : a (finite) set of transitions
  - $P$  and  $T$  are disjoint ( $P \cap T = \emptyset$ )
  - $F$  is the flow relation that defines the arcs
- $$F \subseteq (P \times T) \cup (T \times P)$$
- $m_0$  is the initial marking, gives the tokens per place
- $$m_0: P \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$$





## Petri nets and communication mechanisms



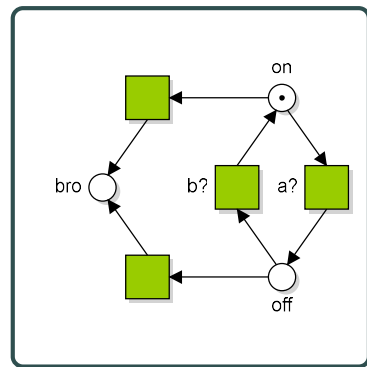
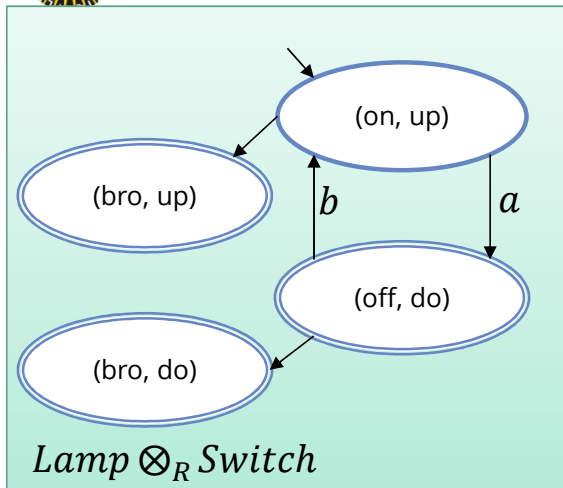
- Synchronous communication  
**Transitions that consume from multiple places**
- Asynchronous communication  
**Places resemble pools of messages to be handled**  
**Random access of messages in these pools**



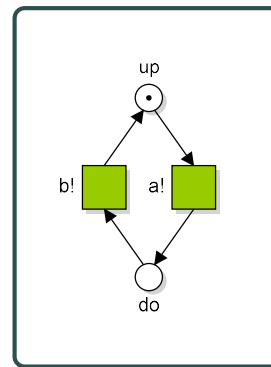
Both communication mechanisms in a single, **graphical** formalism!



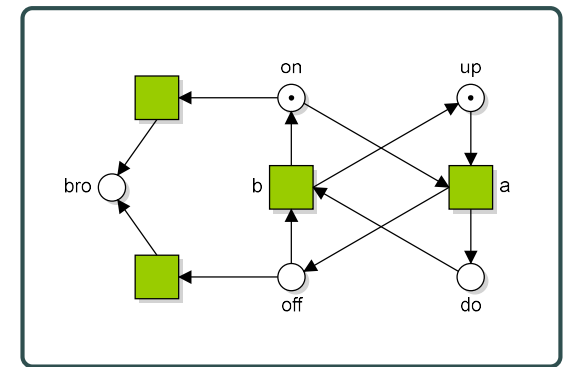
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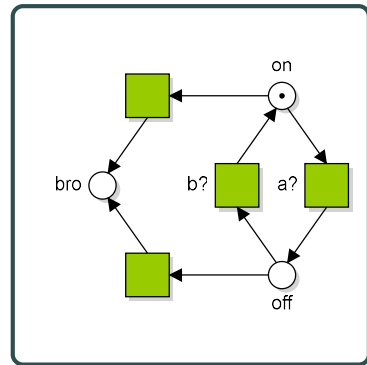
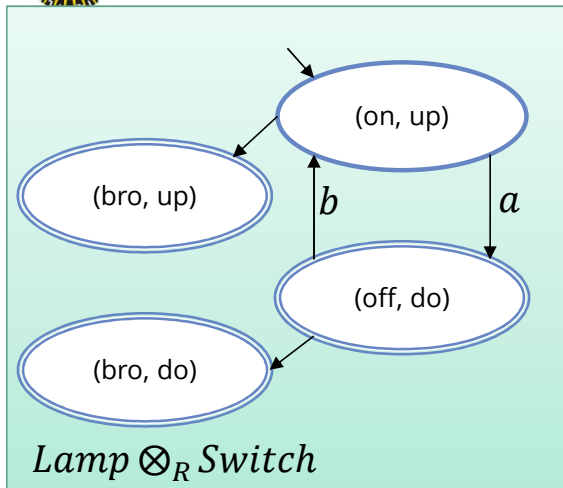


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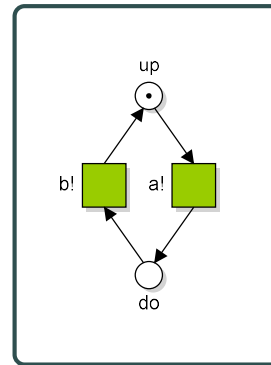




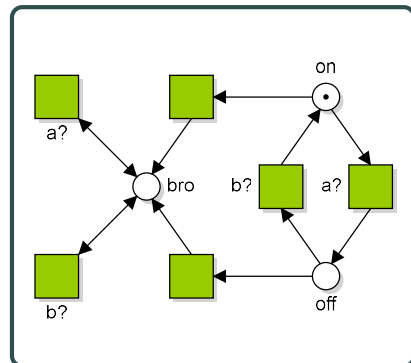
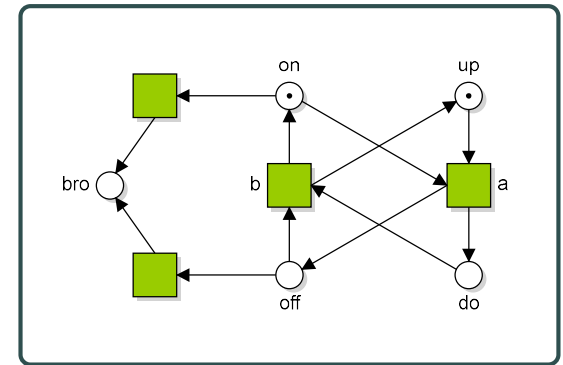
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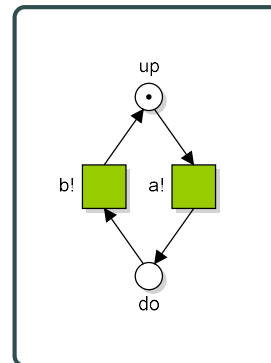
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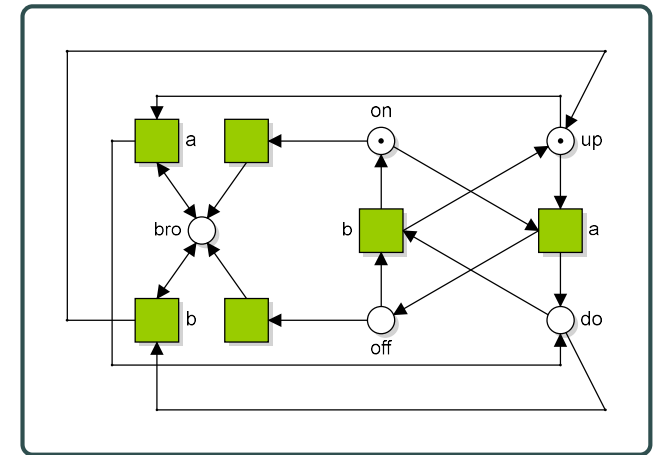
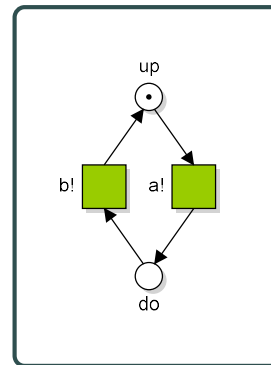
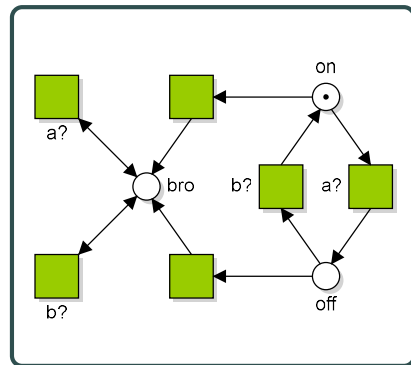
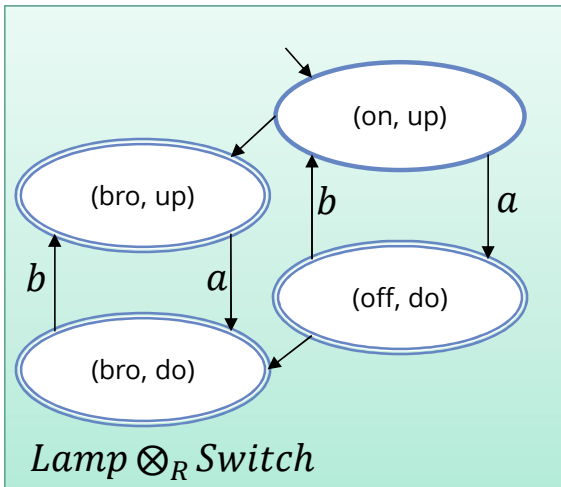
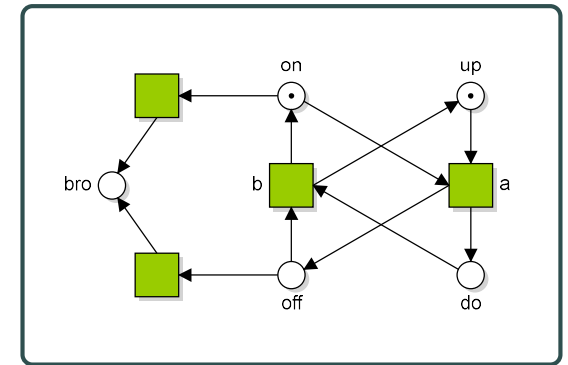
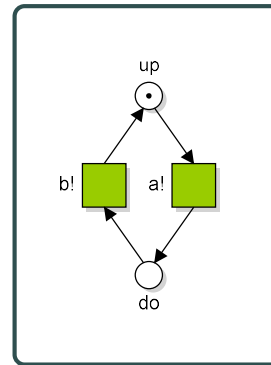
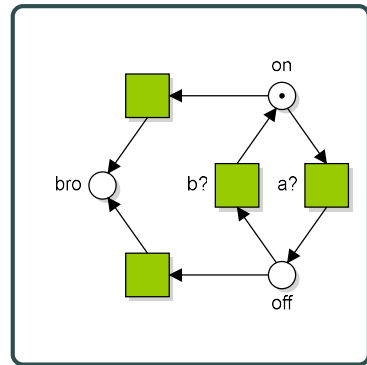
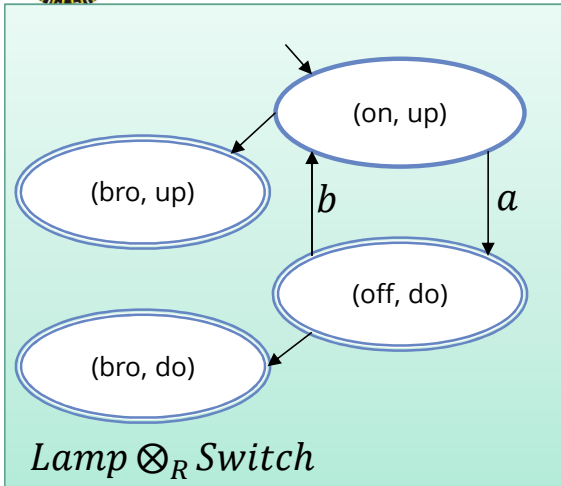


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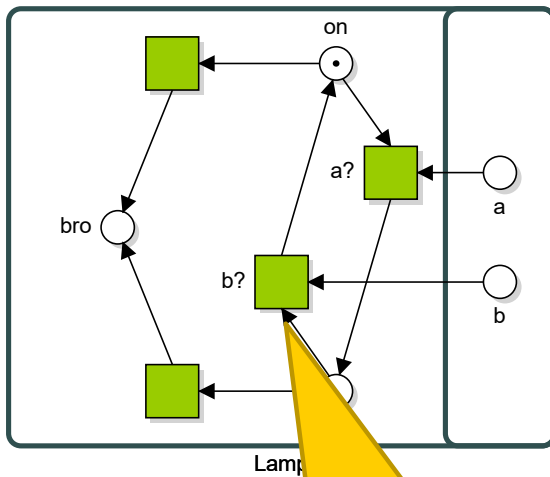
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### Synchronous communication

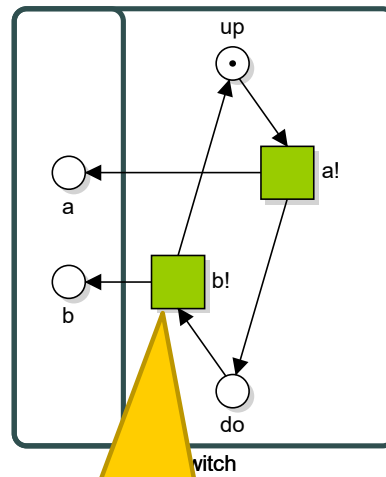




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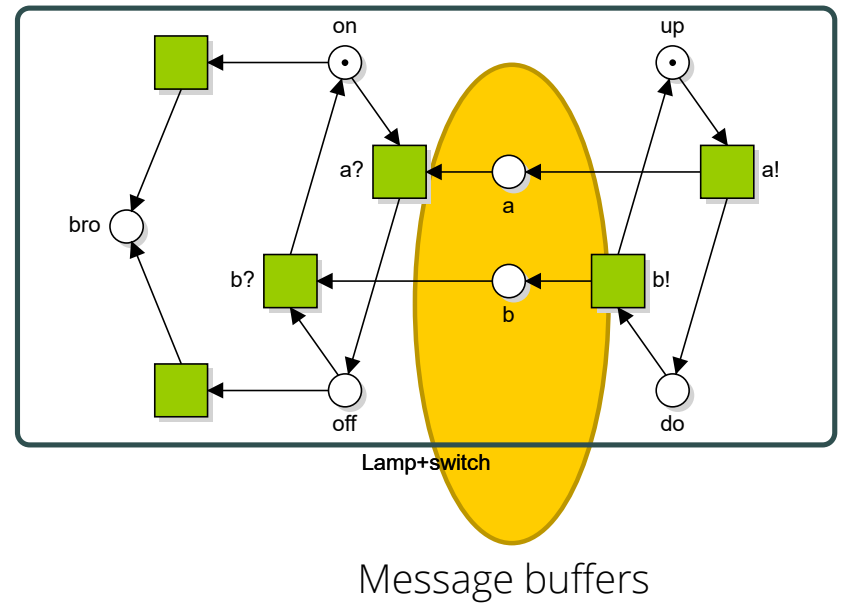
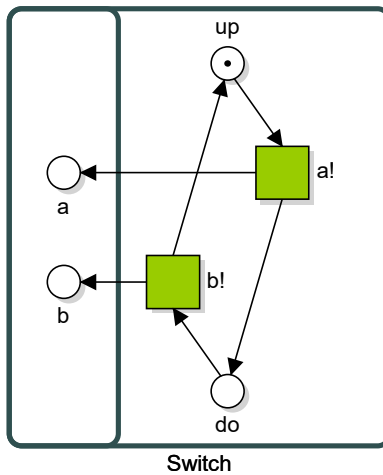
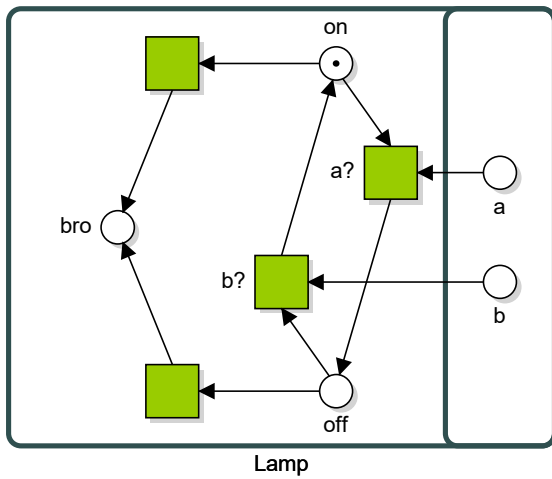
Transition receives a message by consuming a token from "message place" b



Transition sends a message by placing a token in the "message place" b

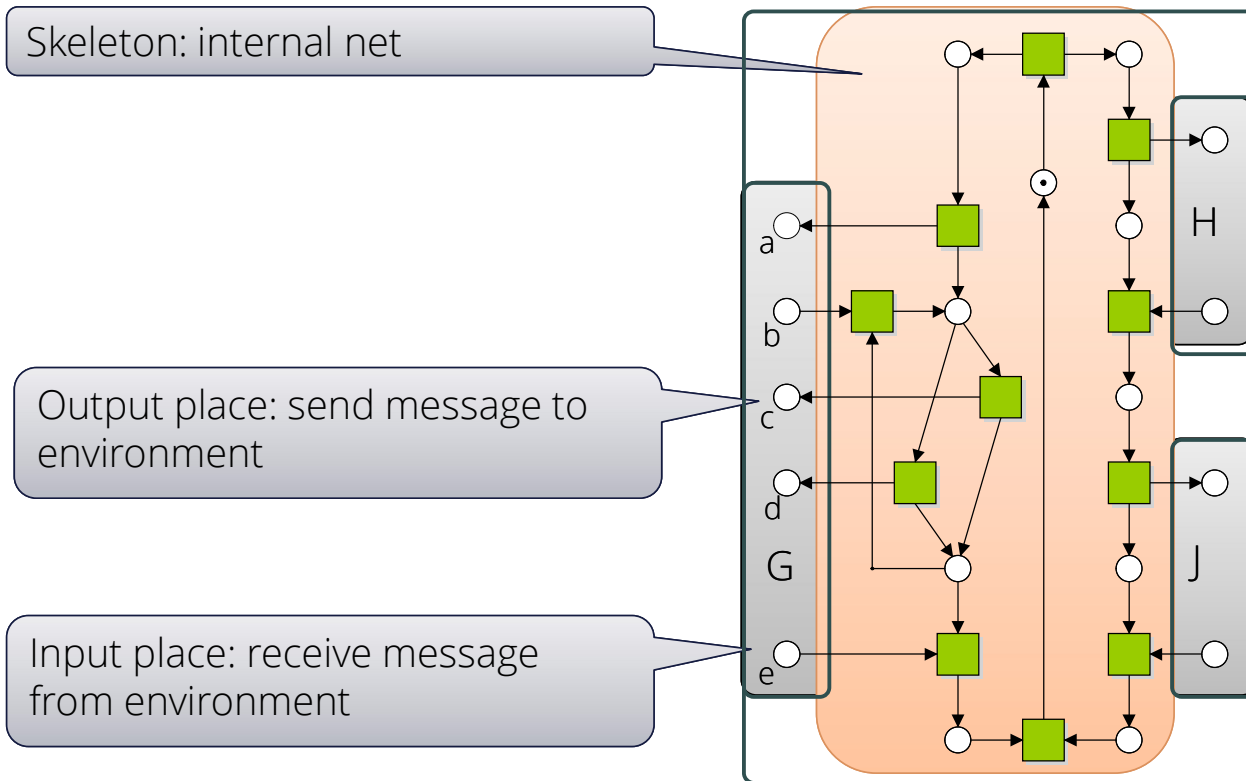


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## Open nets – asynchronous communication

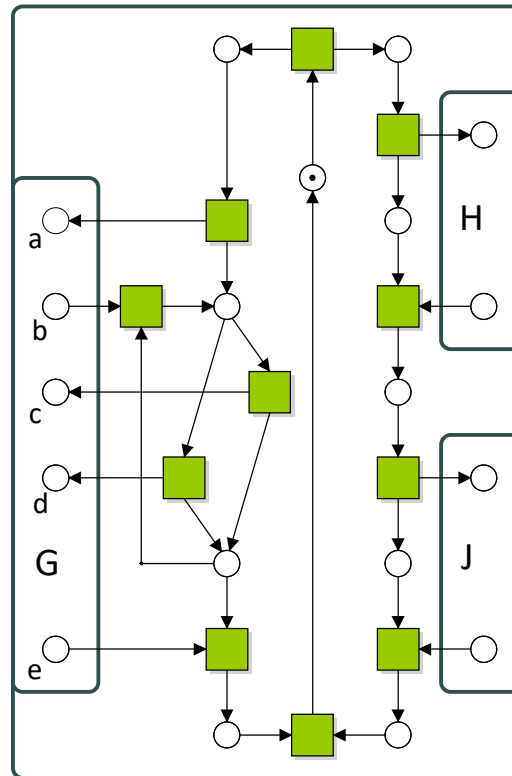


## Open nets – verification

1. Stable state
  - Each component is in rest**
  - No tokens in the interface**
  - Typically the initial marking**

Correctness:

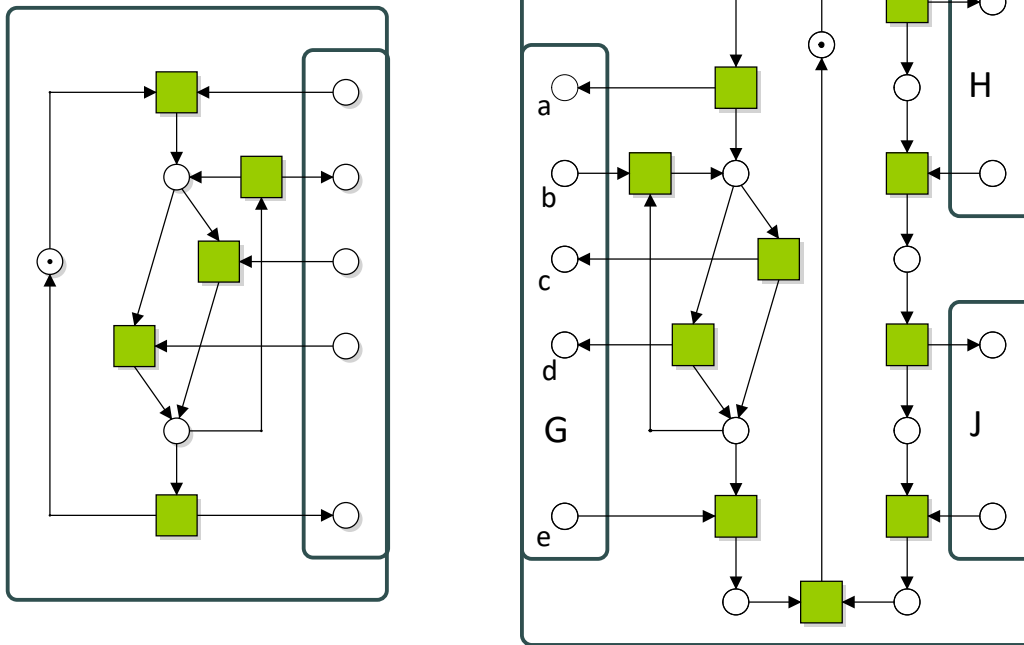
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3. Defined on skeleton!







## Open nets – composition



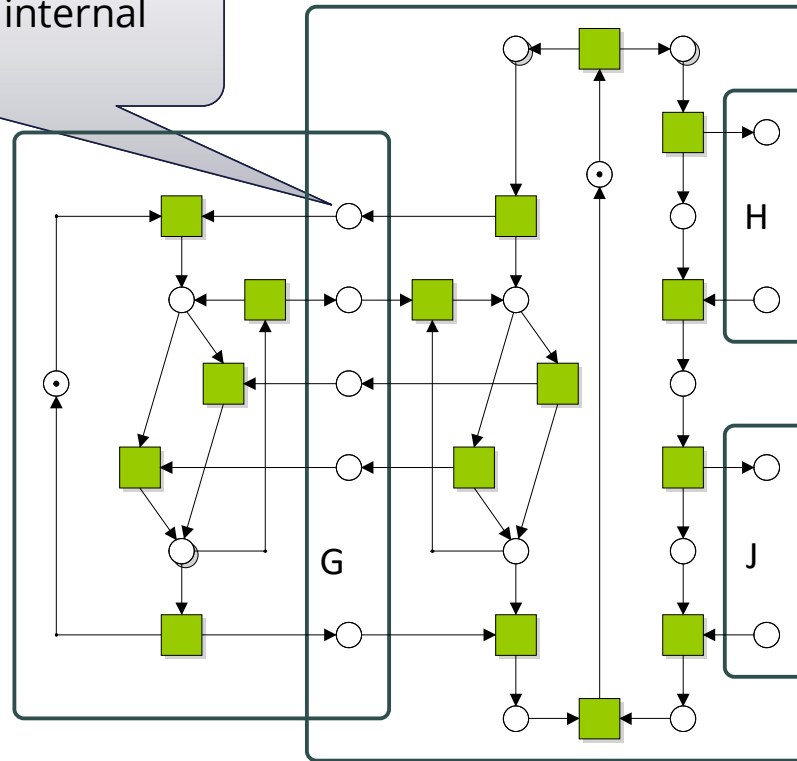
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## Open nets – composition

Glued places become internal places of the skeleton

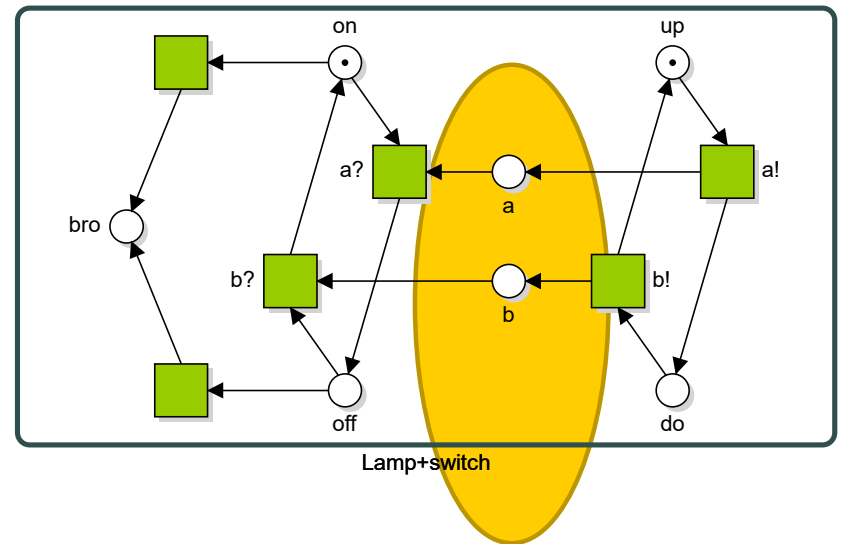
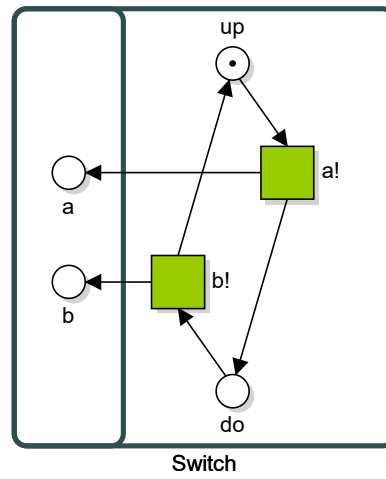
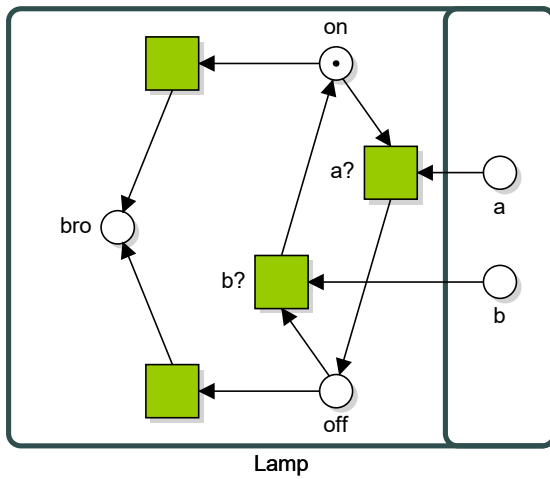


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## Remember our lamp?



Message buffers



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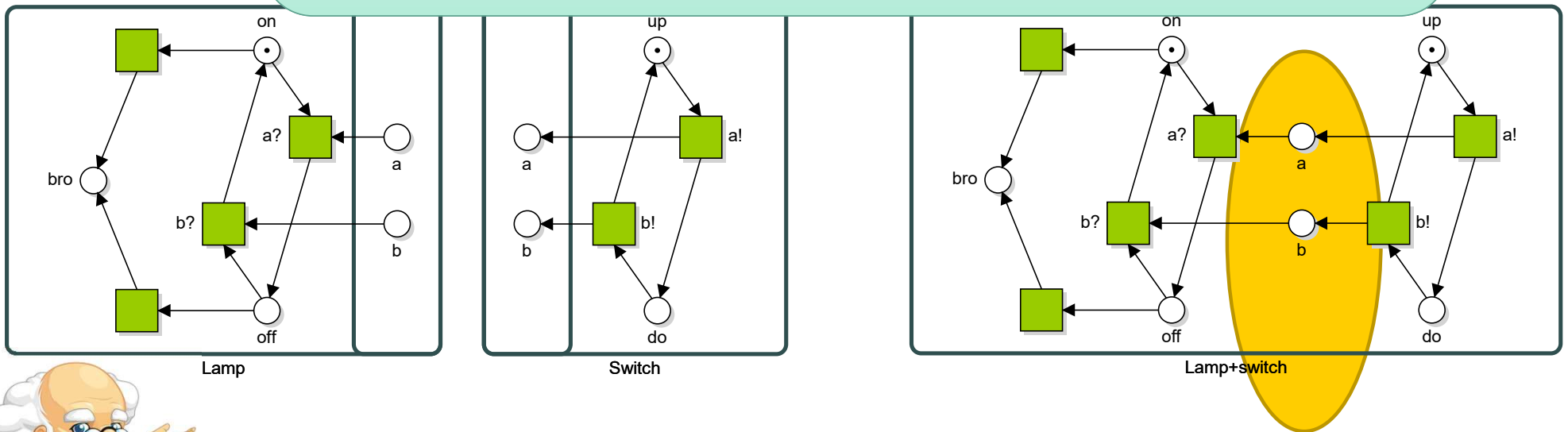
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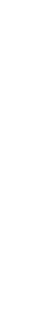
Lamp

Switch

Lamp+switch

Message buffers

Is this net correct?





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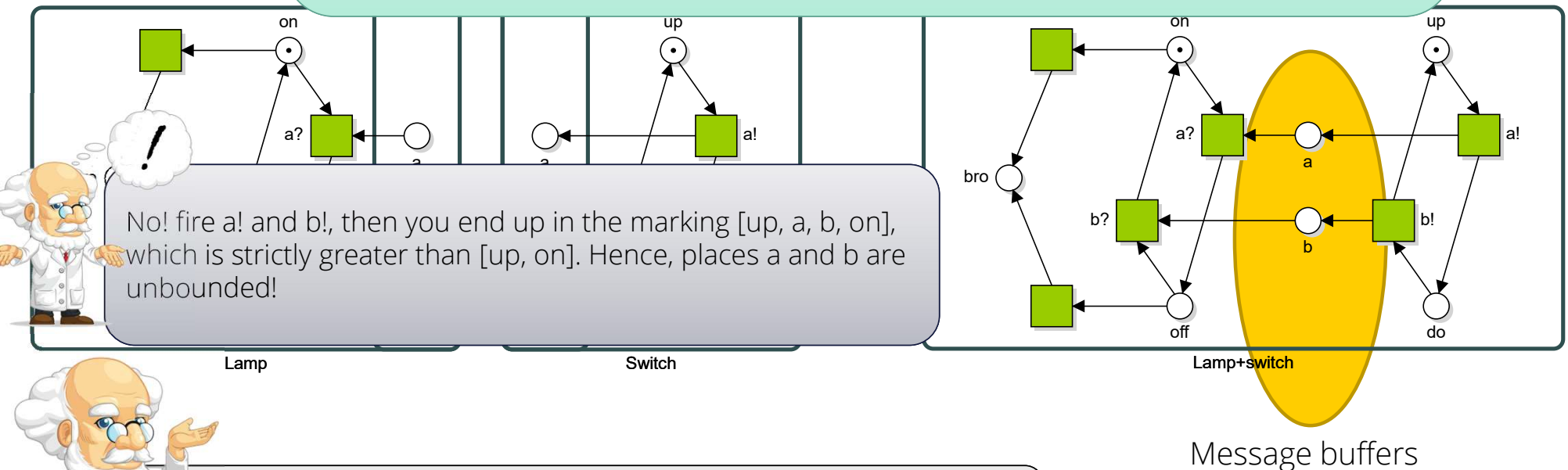
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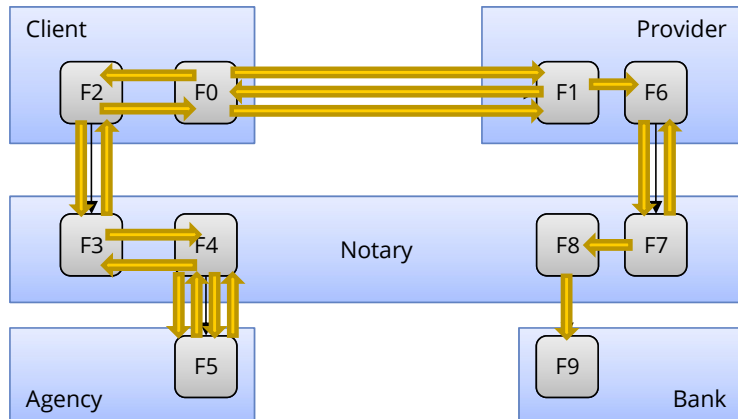
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## Create correct open nets for F0 and F1



- The client asks for permission. Upon receiving the permission, (s)he asks for a service of the provider, and either accepts or denies the offer received by the provider. Upon accepting, the provider offers the service, and regularly sends an invoice, which needs to be signed and returned by the client. Once denied, either (s)he stops, or (s)he asks for a better offer.

In case the client does not receive permission, (s)he tries again.

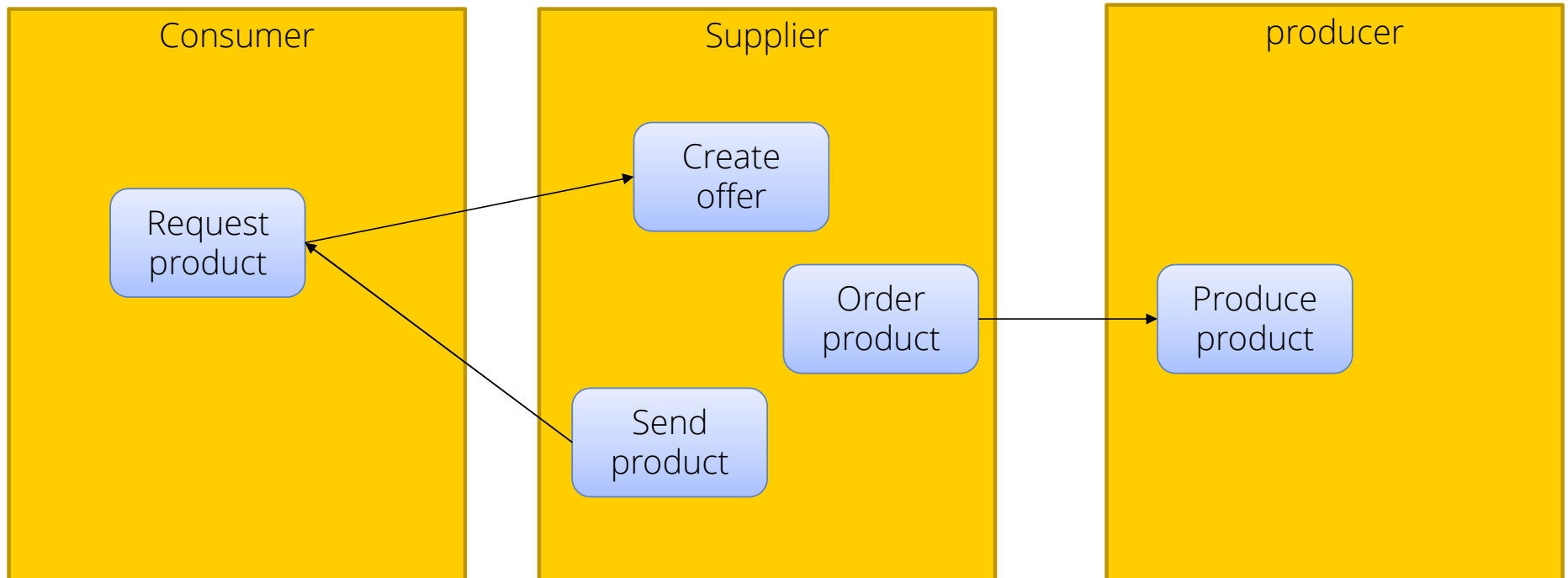
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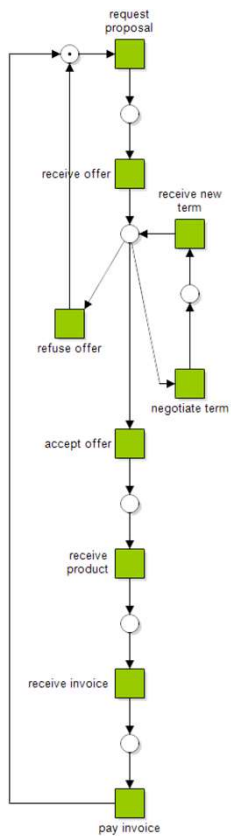




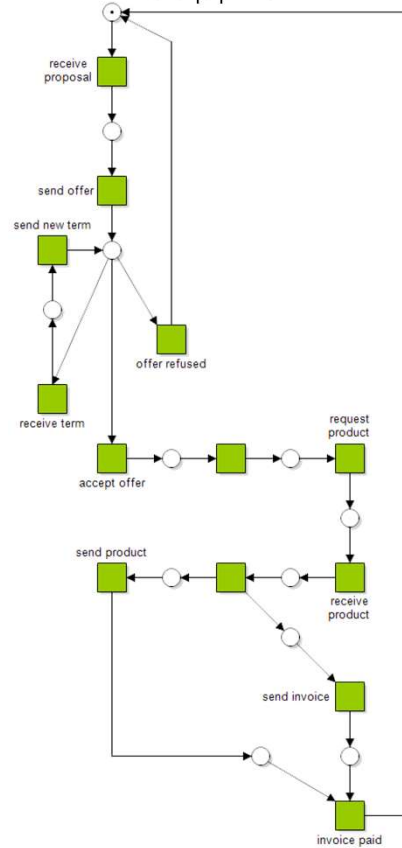
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### Step 2: create an open net for each module

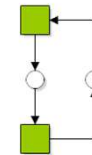
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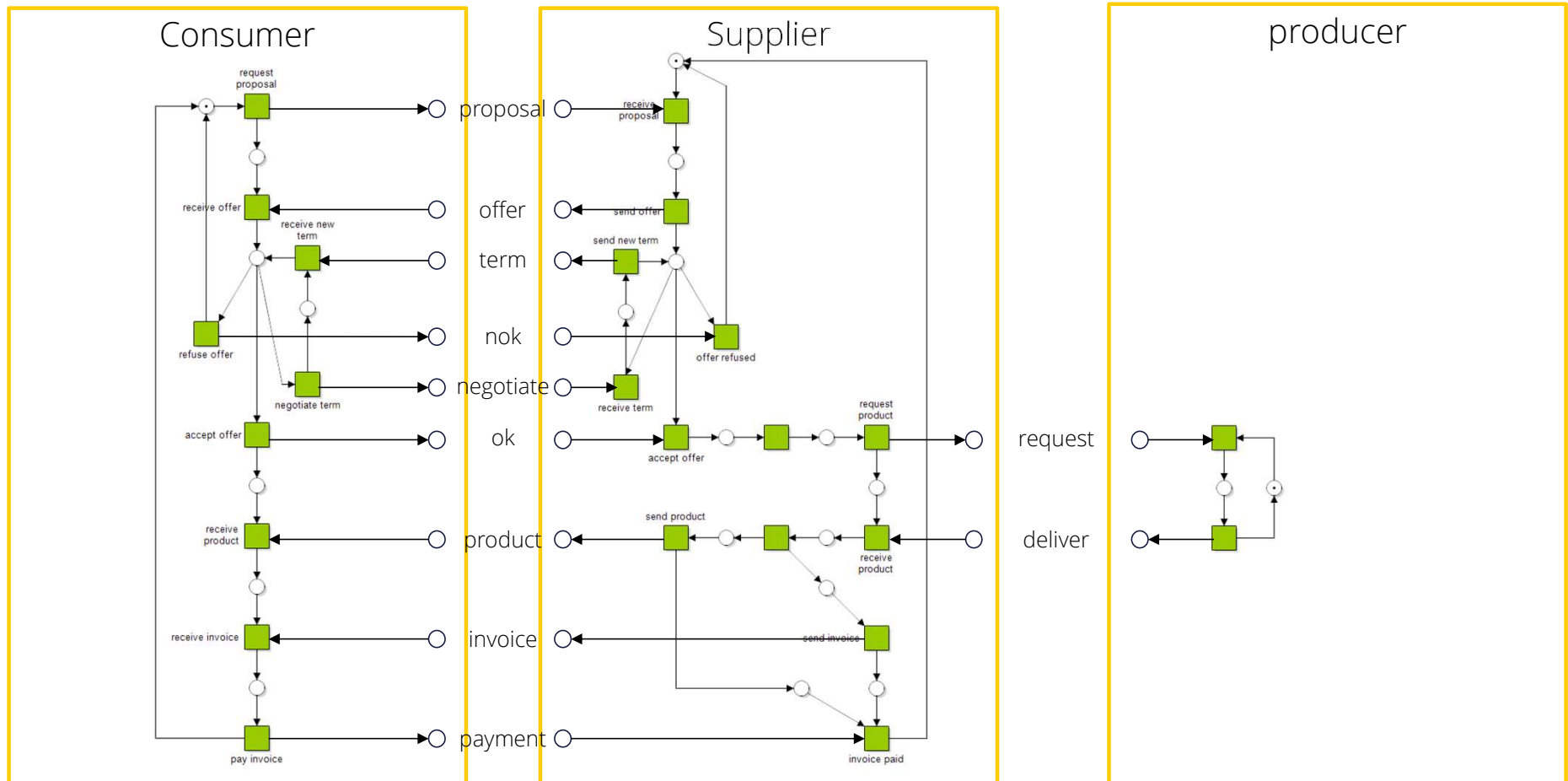






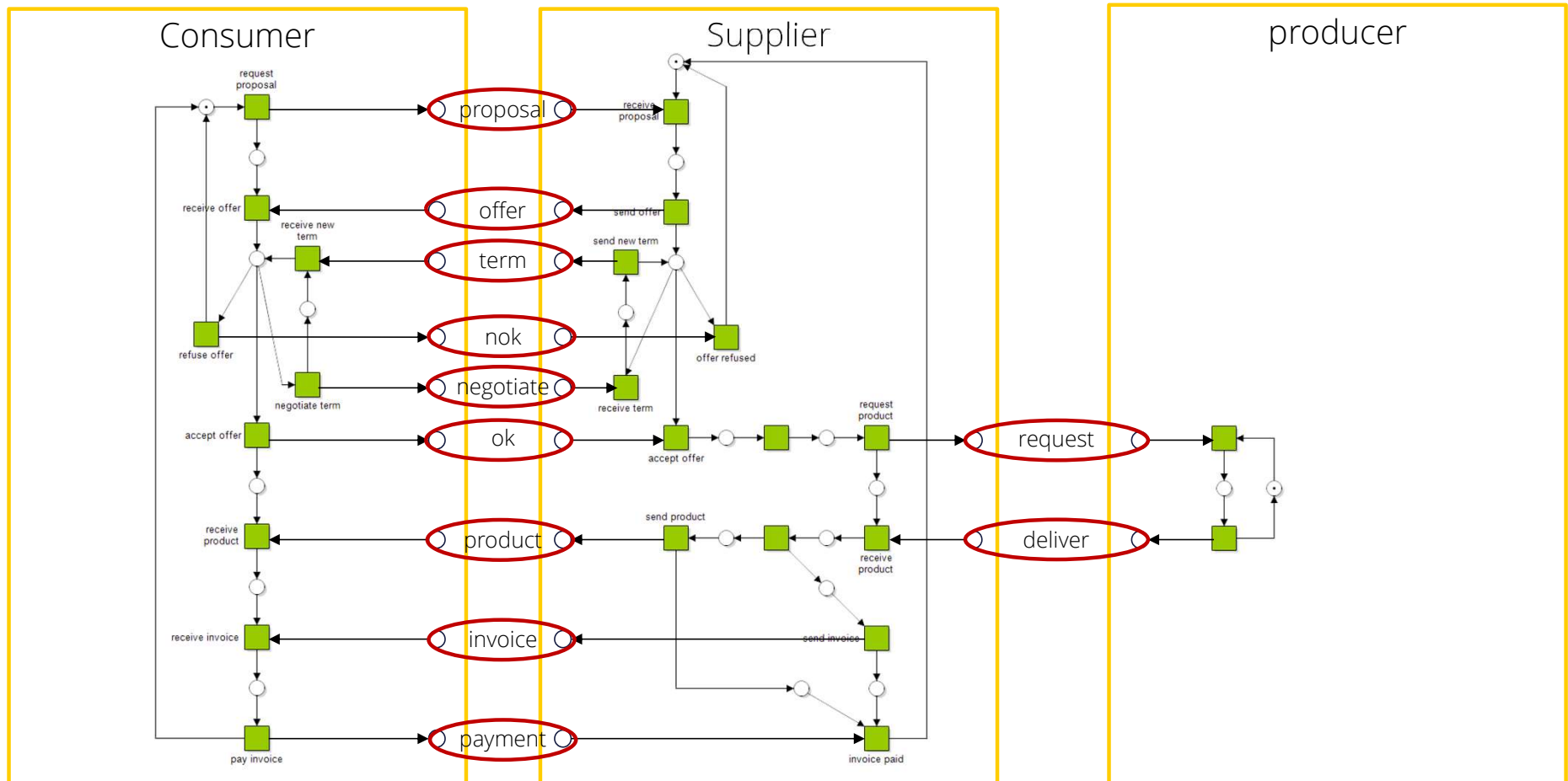
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### Step 3: define the interface places for the modules





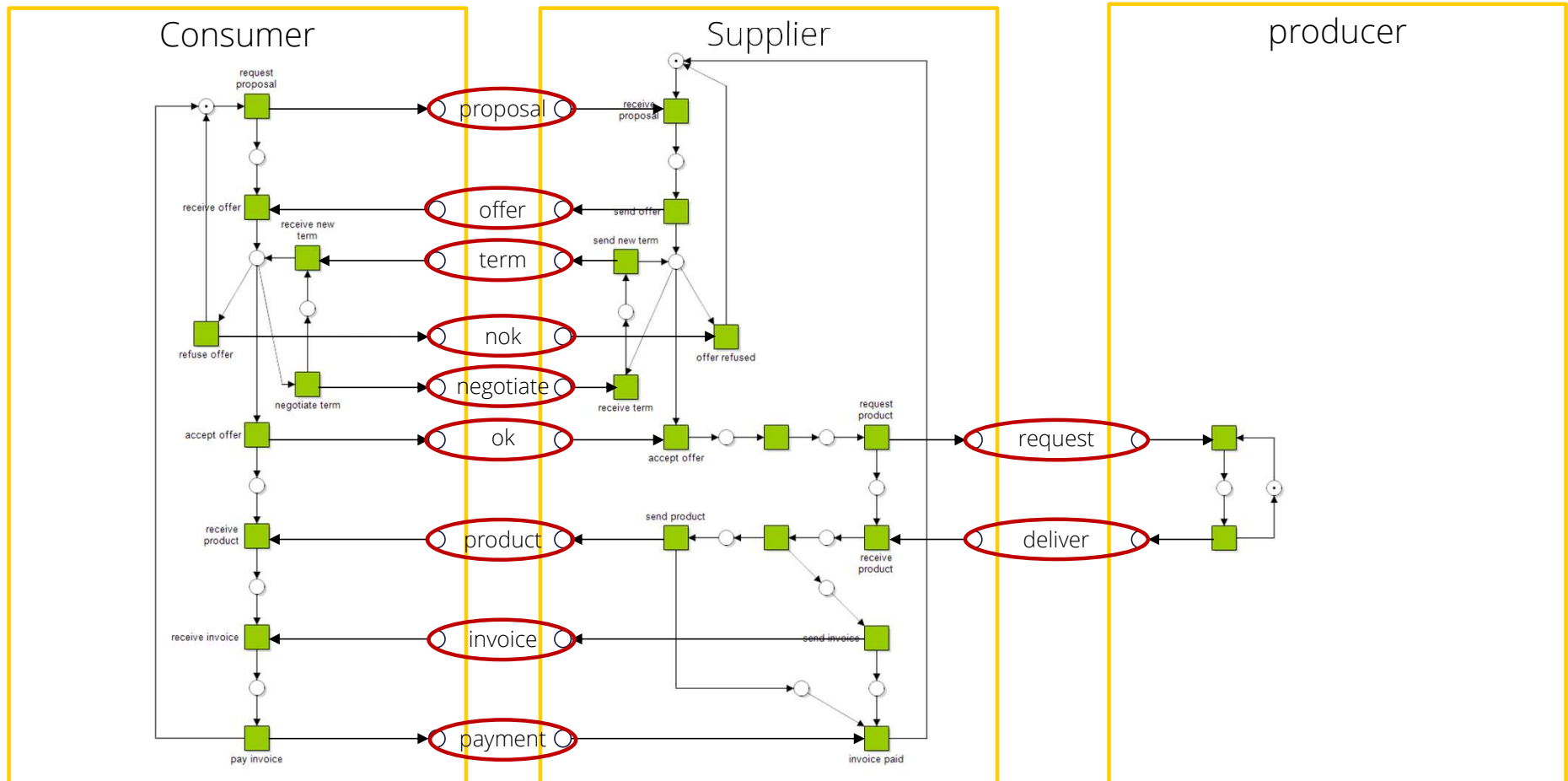
## Modelling with Open nets Step 4: compose the modules





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### Step 5: analyze the model

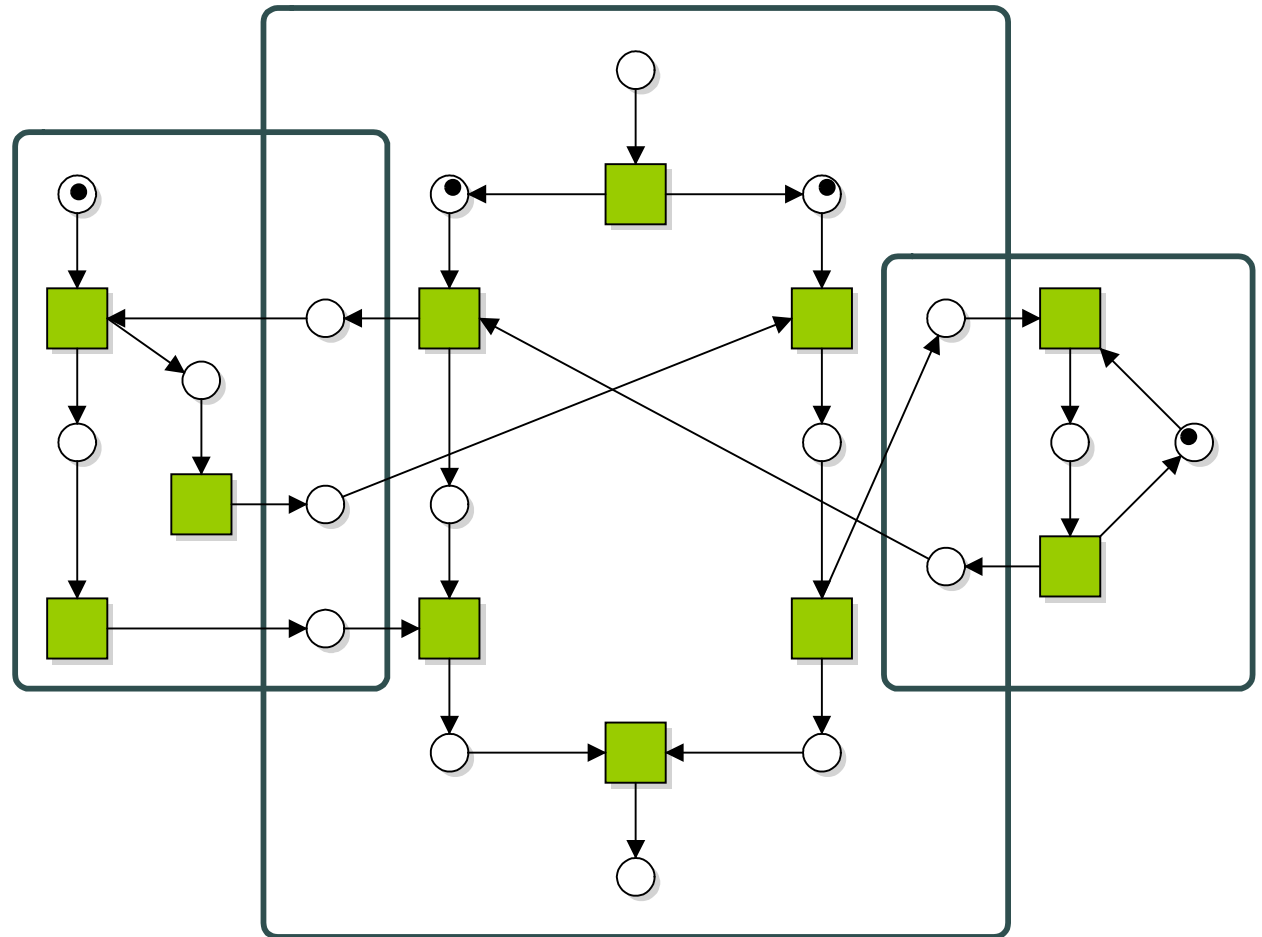




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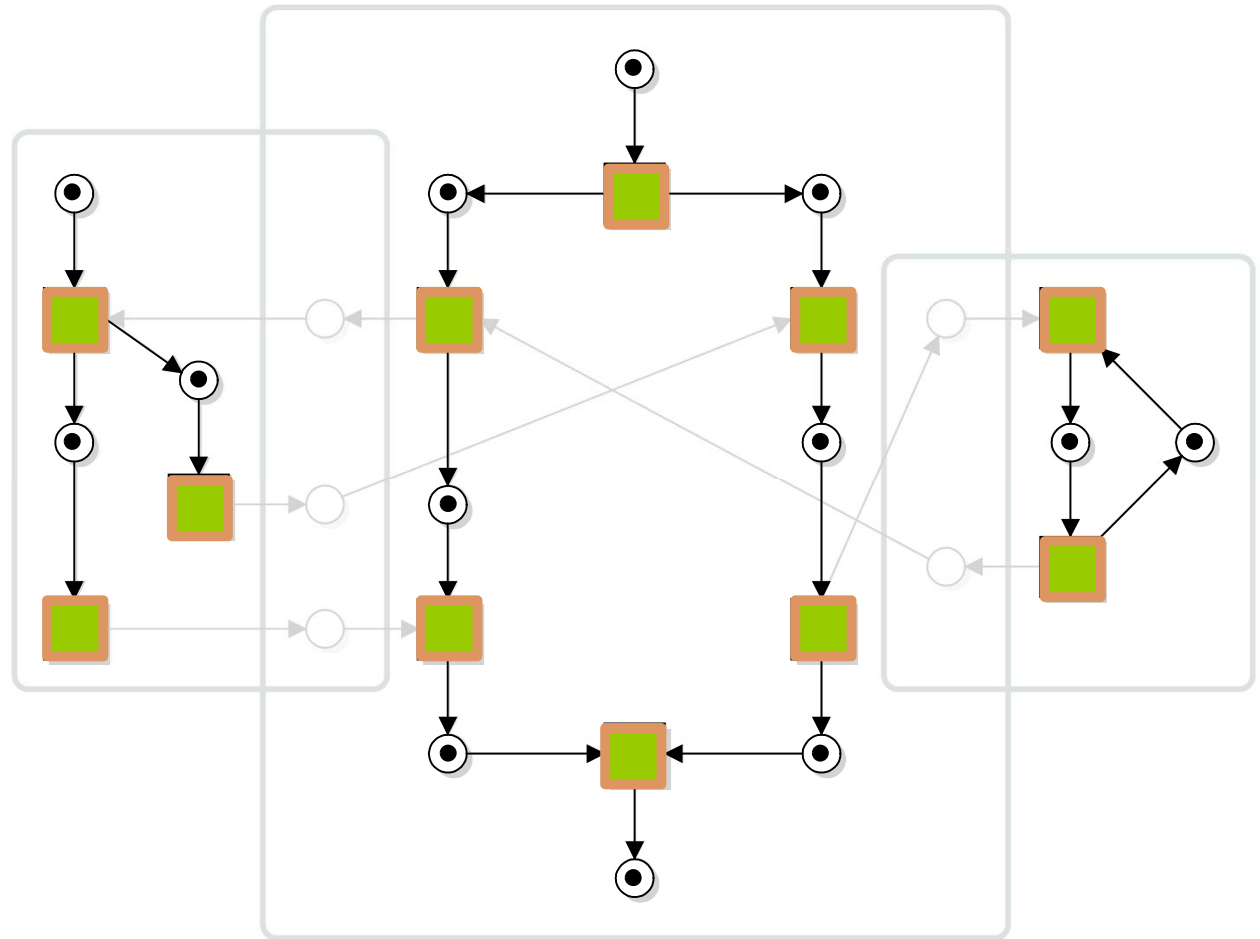




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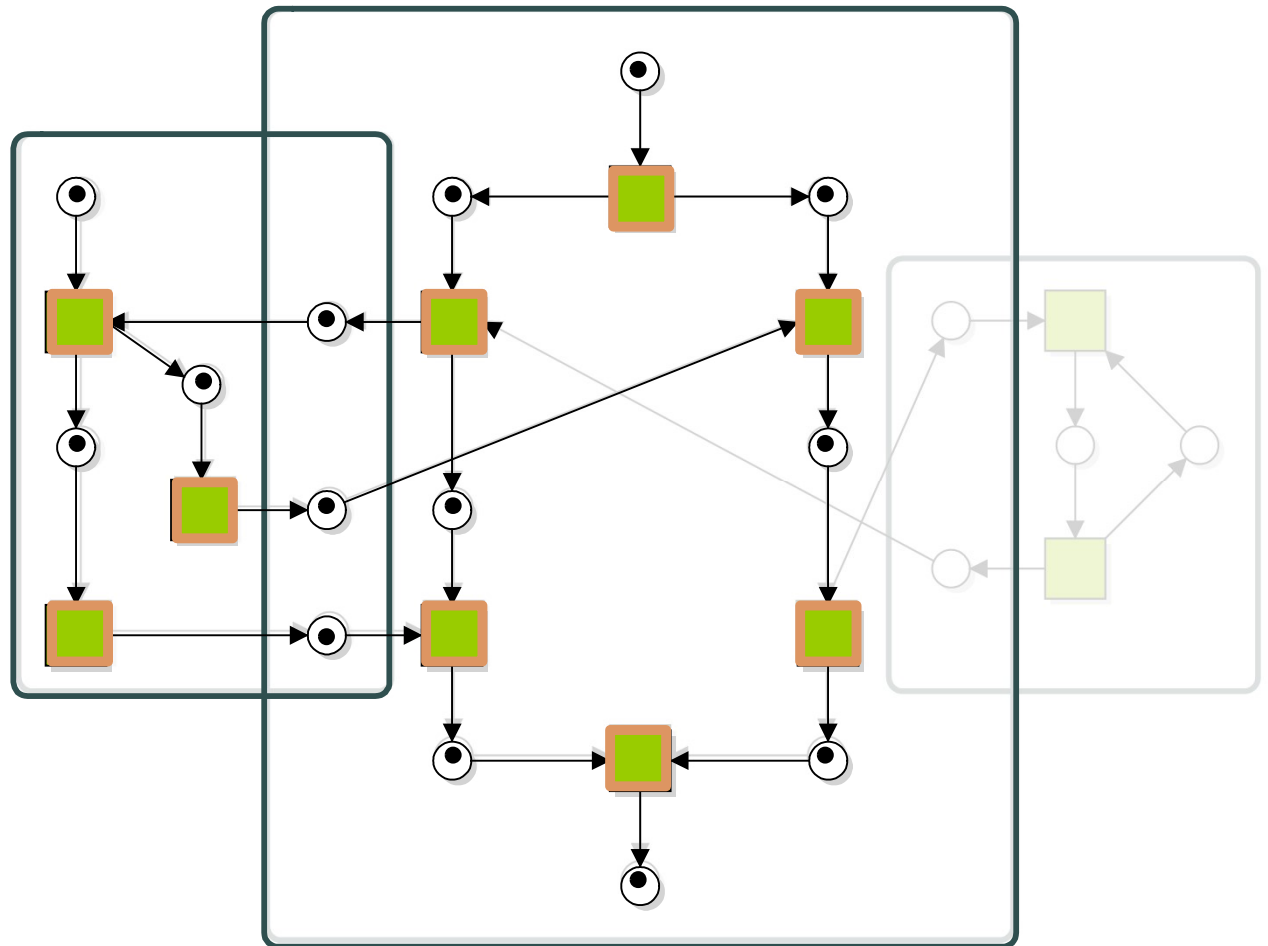




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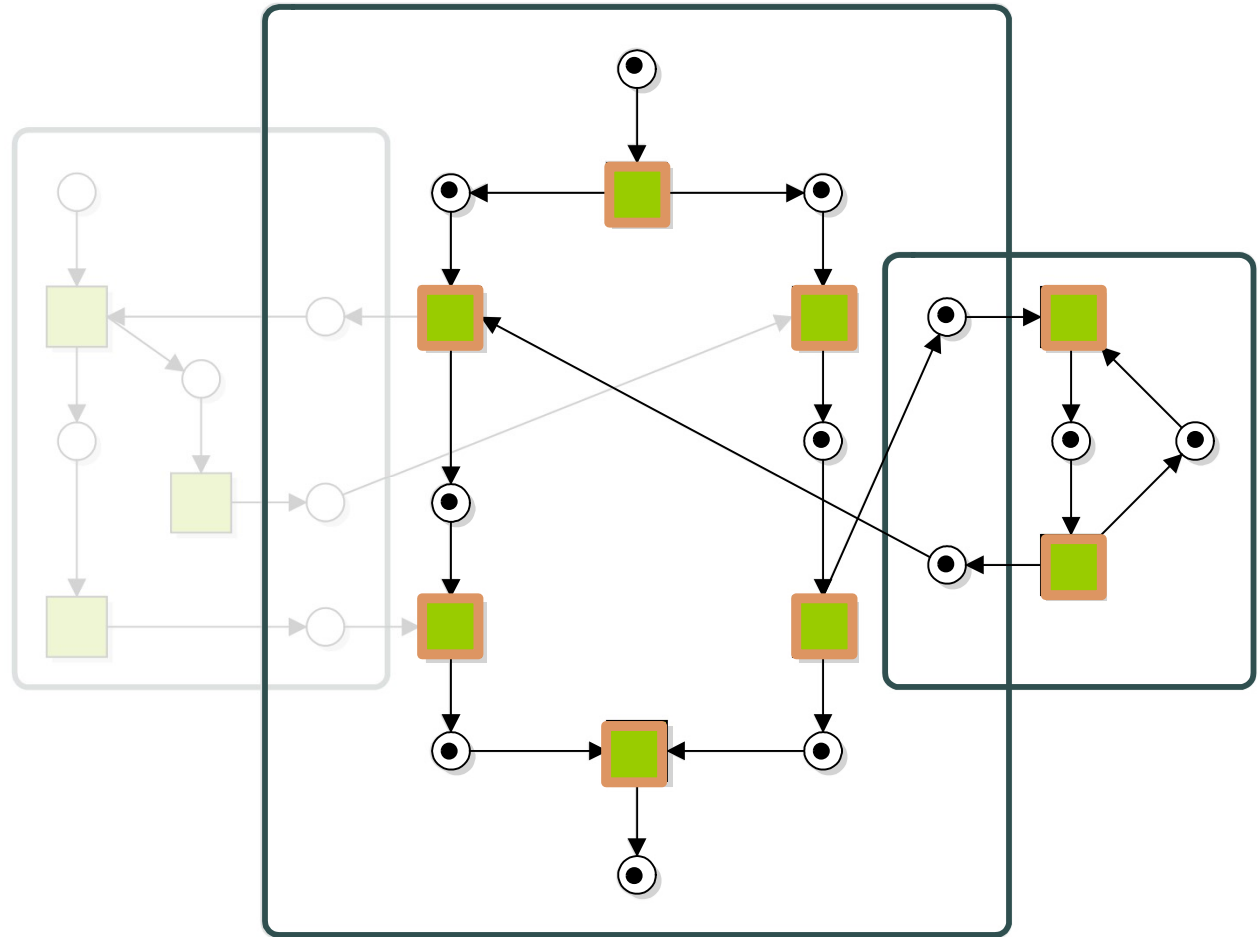




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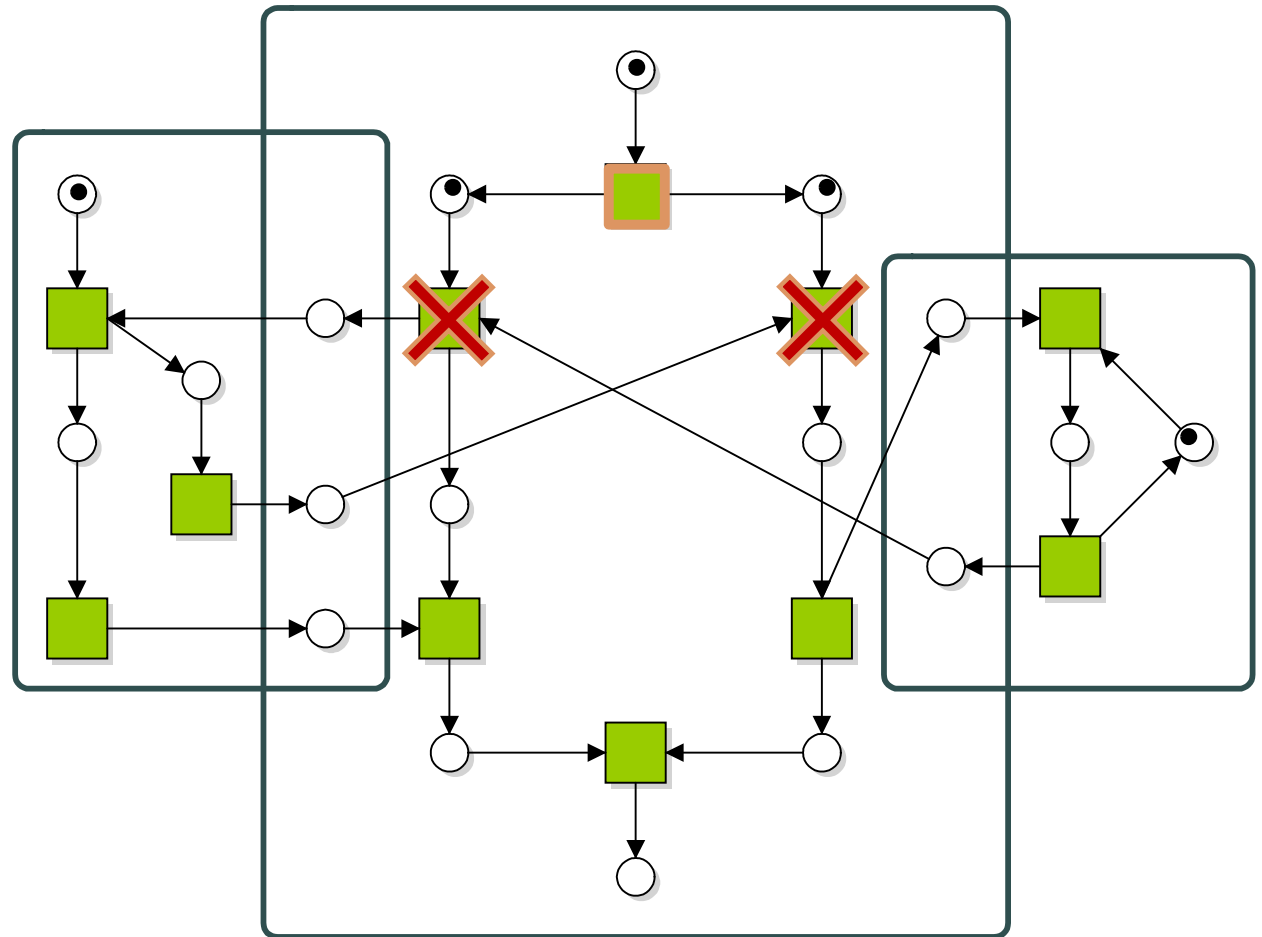




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## Choreographies and their implementation



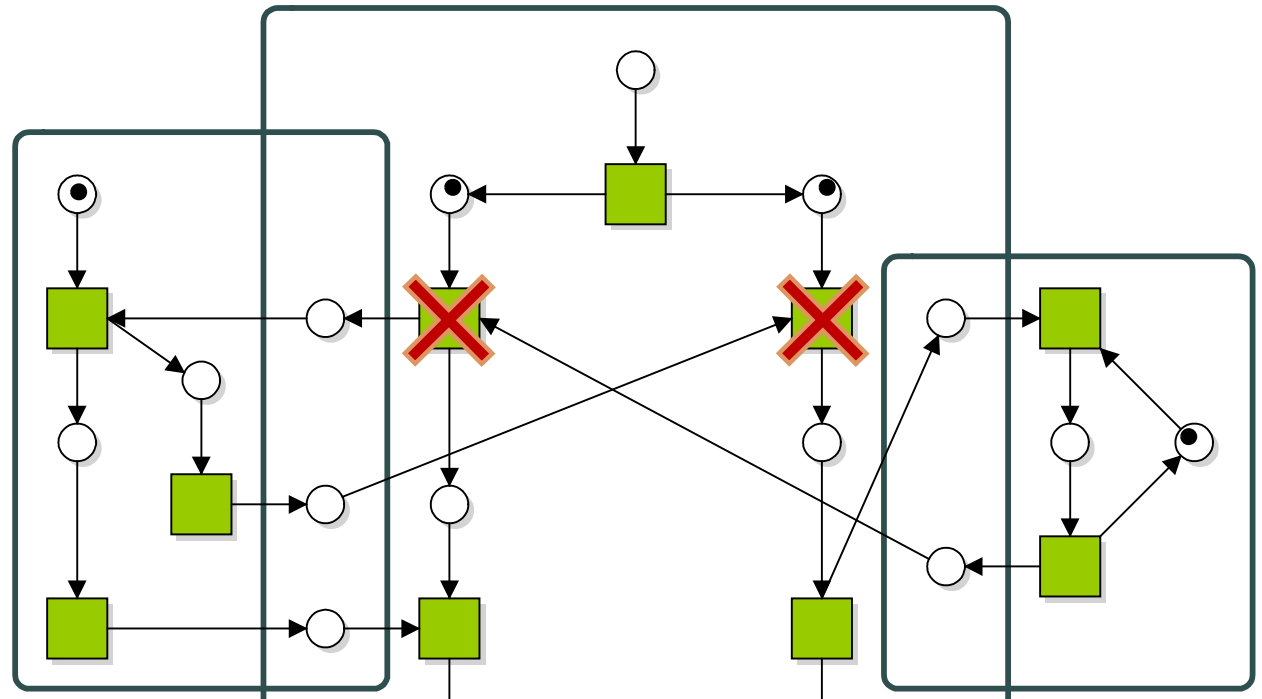




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Correctness is not a sufficient condition to pairwise validate the component interactions

In general: this problem is **undecidable!**

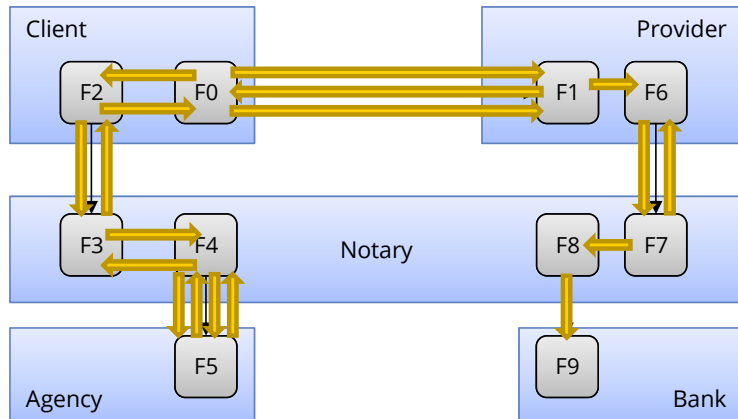


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# *Choreographies: a different perspective on concurrency*



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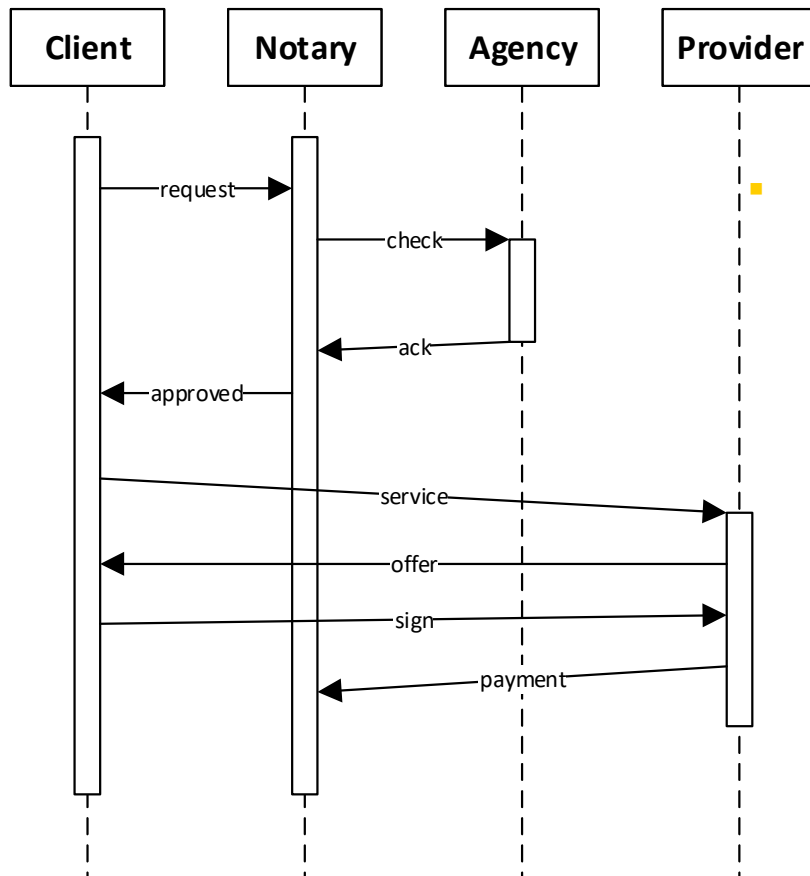


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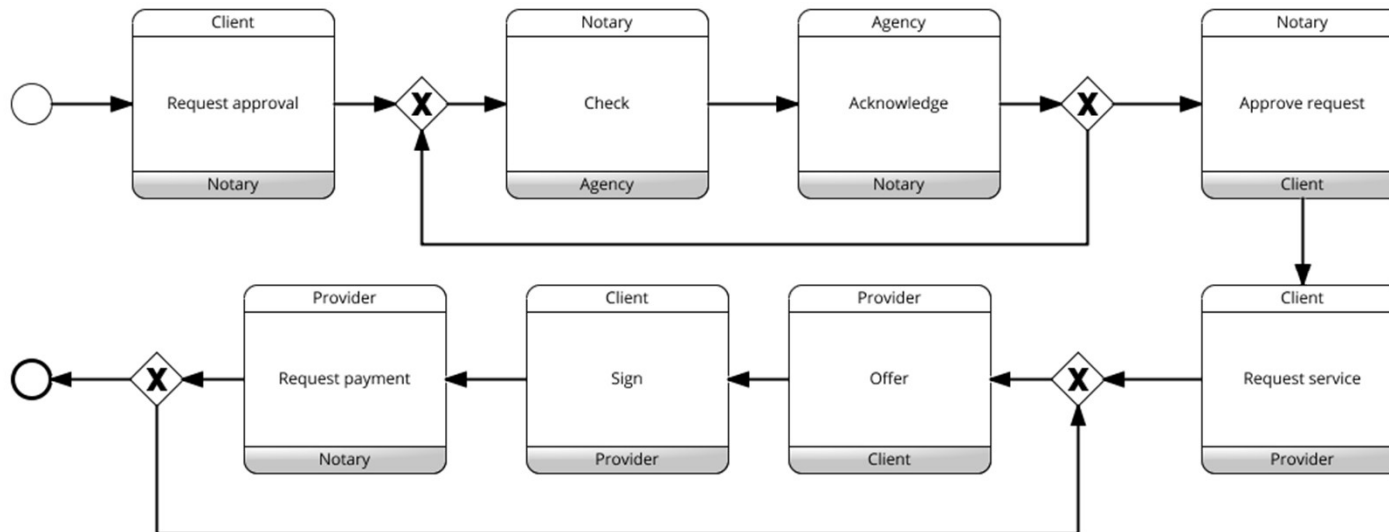
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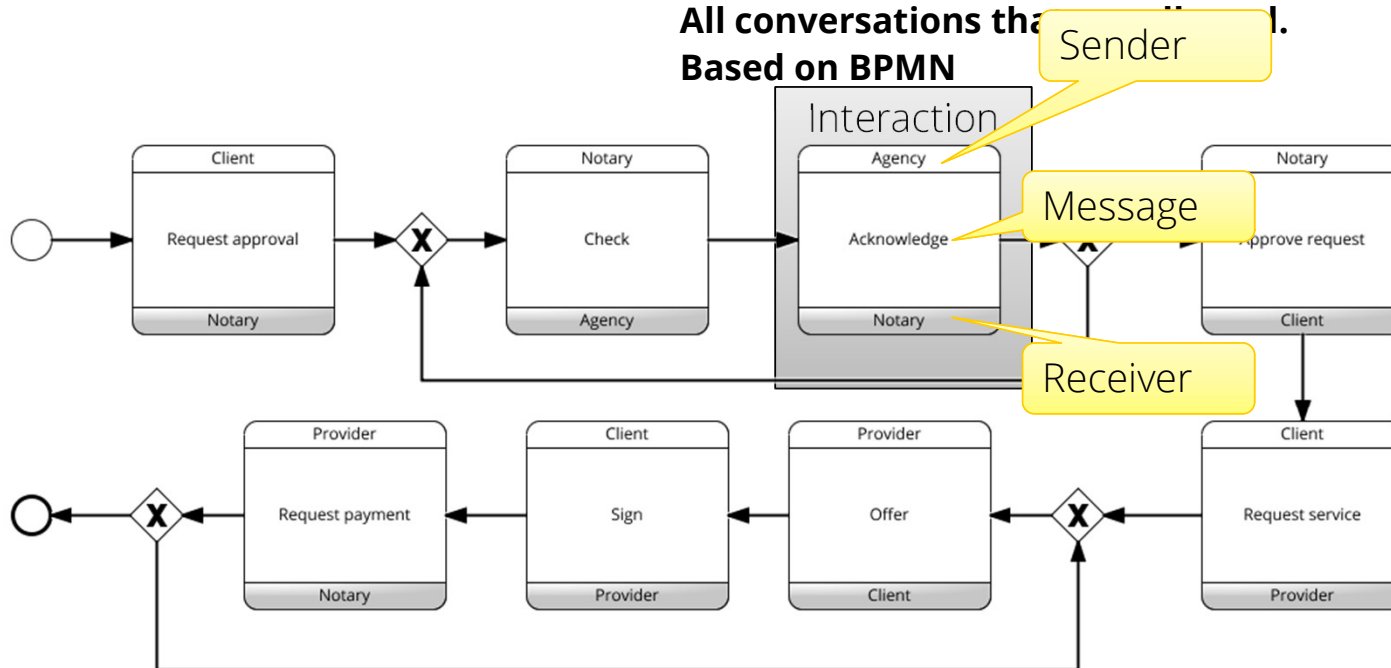
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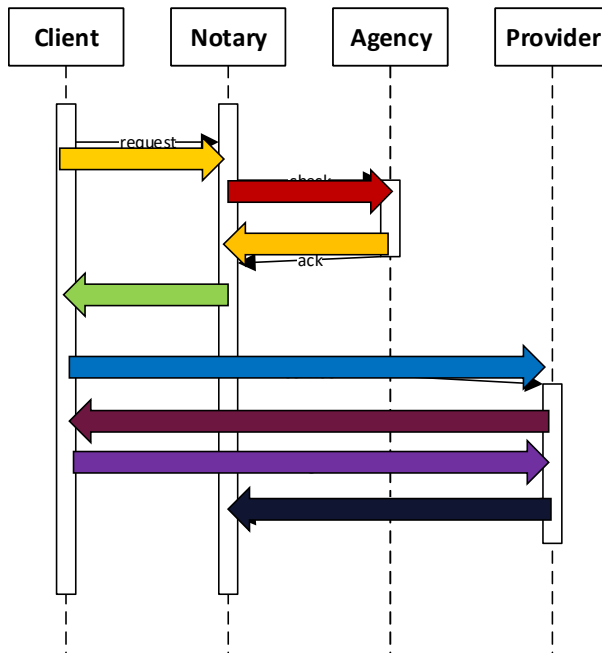
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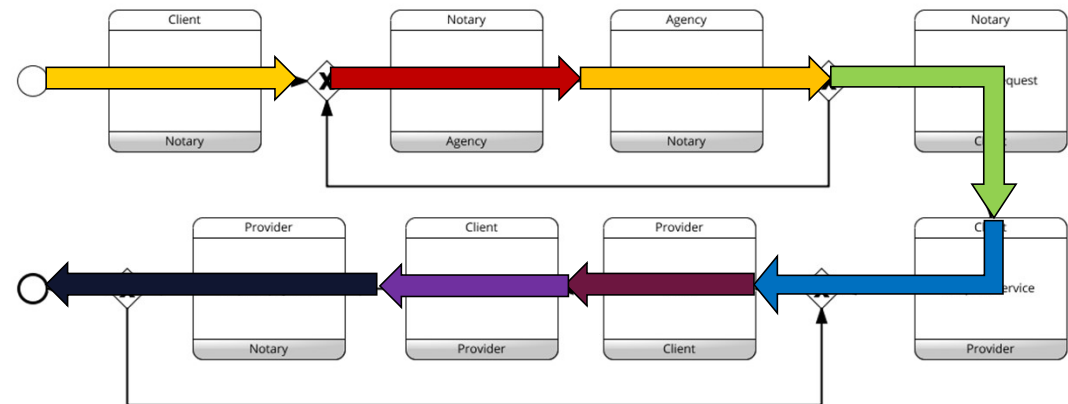
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  - Based on BPMN**





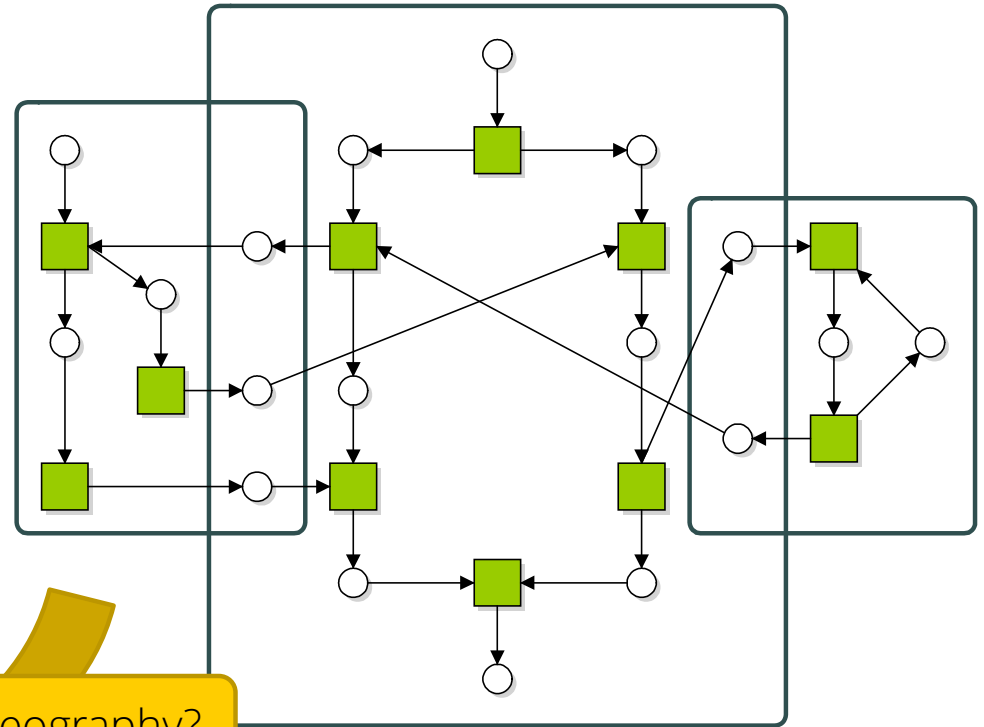
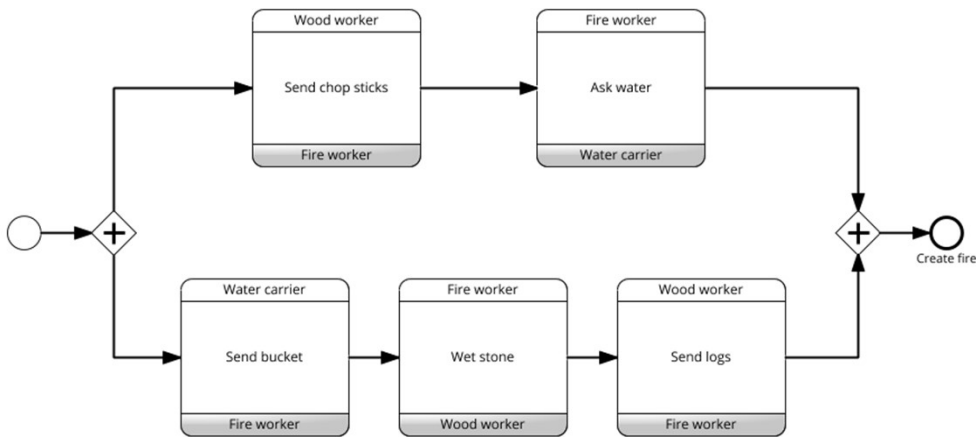
## Choreographies and Message Sequence Charts

- A choreography describes all valid conversations





## Back to our previous example...



Is this Petri net a realization of this choreography?

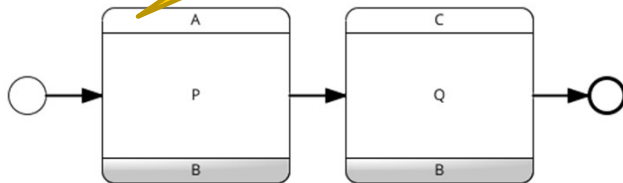
No! Actually: no choreography can be constructed with this PN as some realization!





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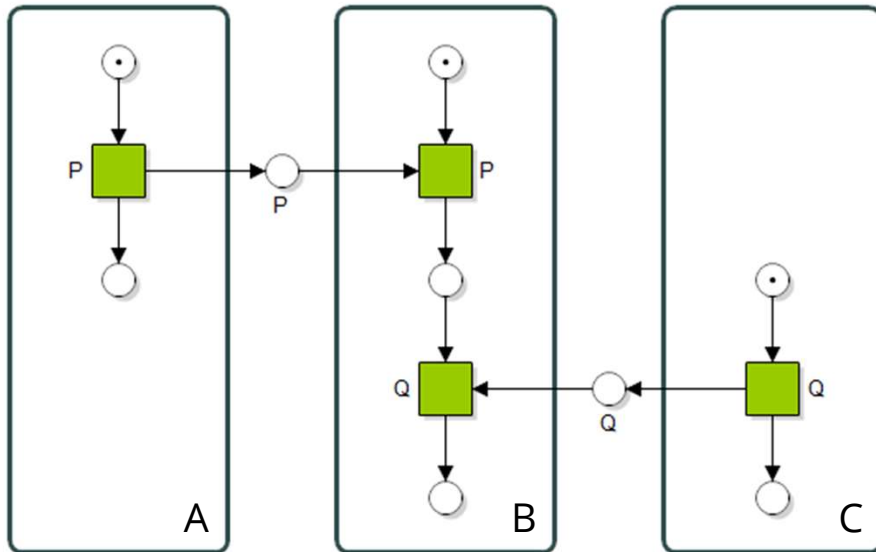
Participants:  
A, B, C



## Is every choreography “correct”? From choreography to Petri net

### Realizable:

**There exists an implementation “such that the set of conversations (possibly infinite!) the implementation supports is equal to the set of conversations in the choreography (possibly infinite!).**



1: translate model to a Petri net “a la BPMN”

2: replicate net for each participant

3: create a place for each message

4: connect the participants to the messages

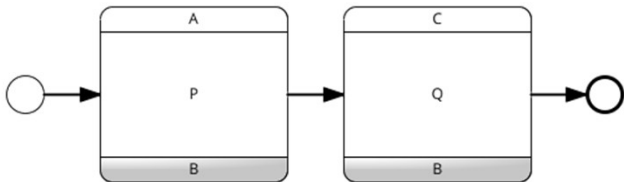
**Sending participant produces token**

**Receiving participant consumes token**

5: simplify the model using Murata rules  
(Murata, 1989)



## Is every choreography “correct”?



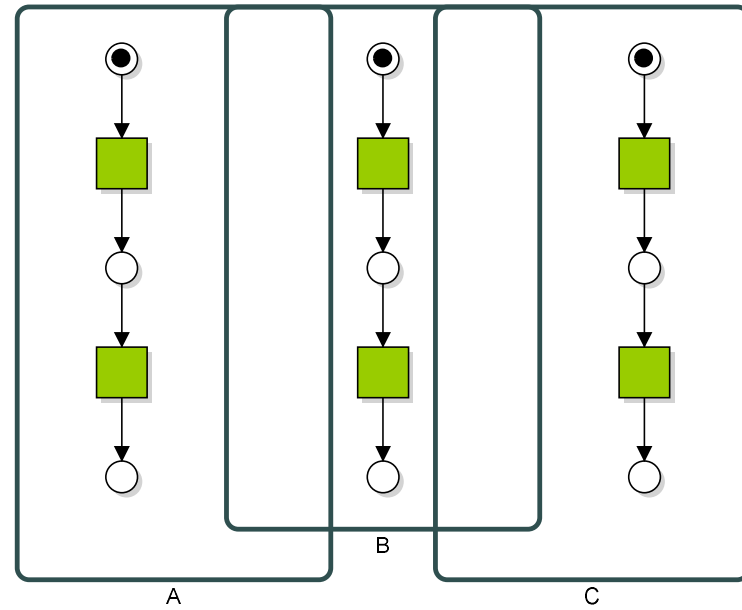
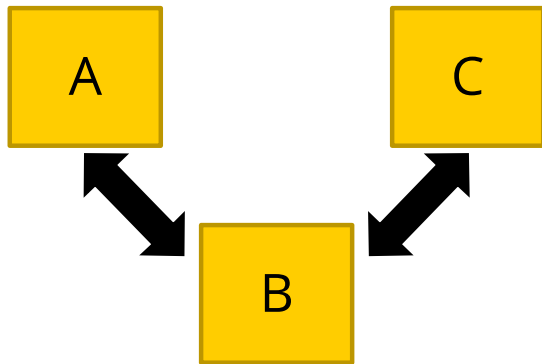
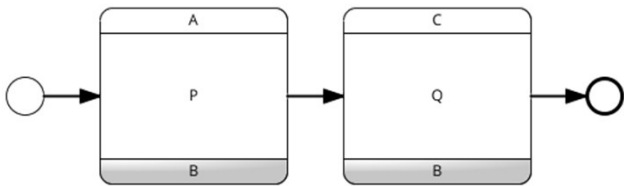
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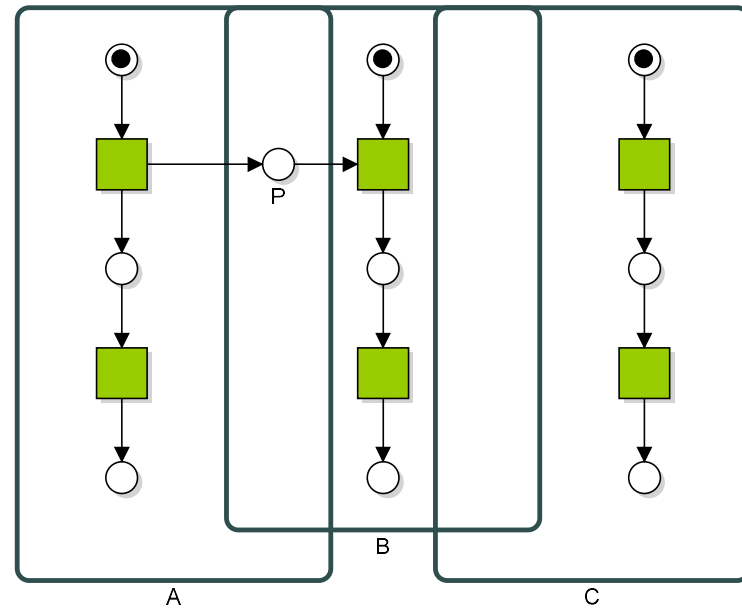
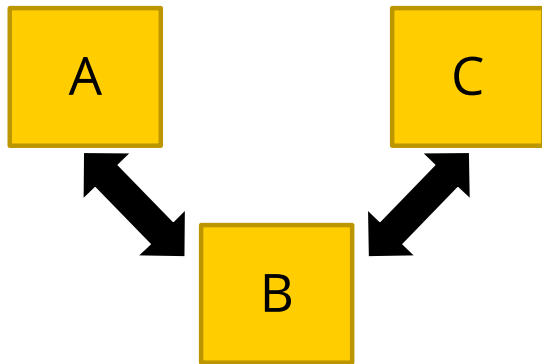
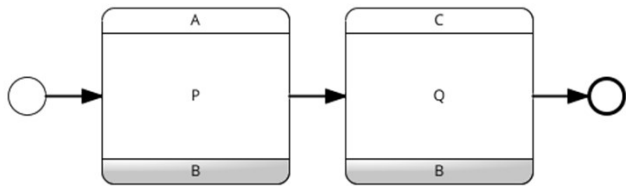
**There may be many implementations that realize the same choreography!**



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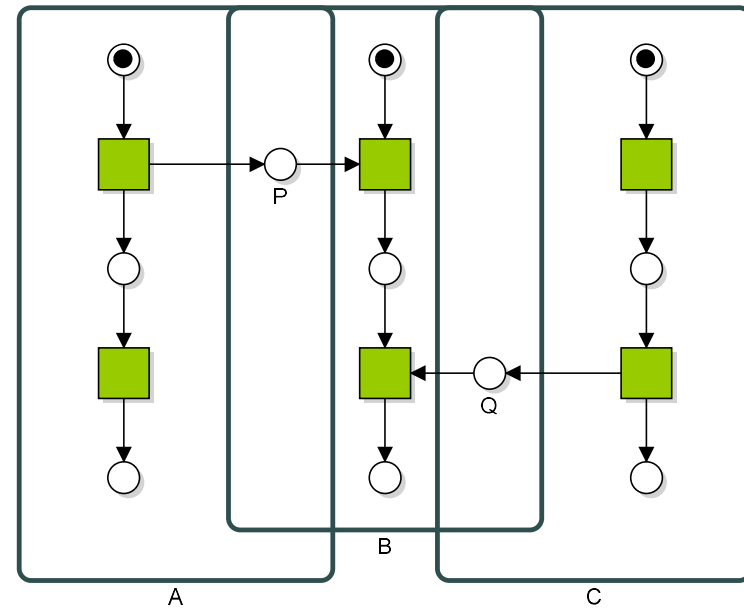
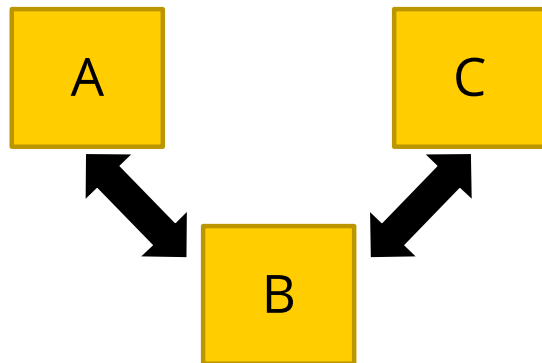
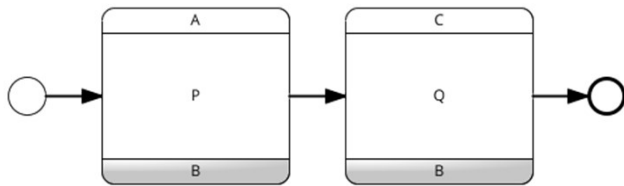


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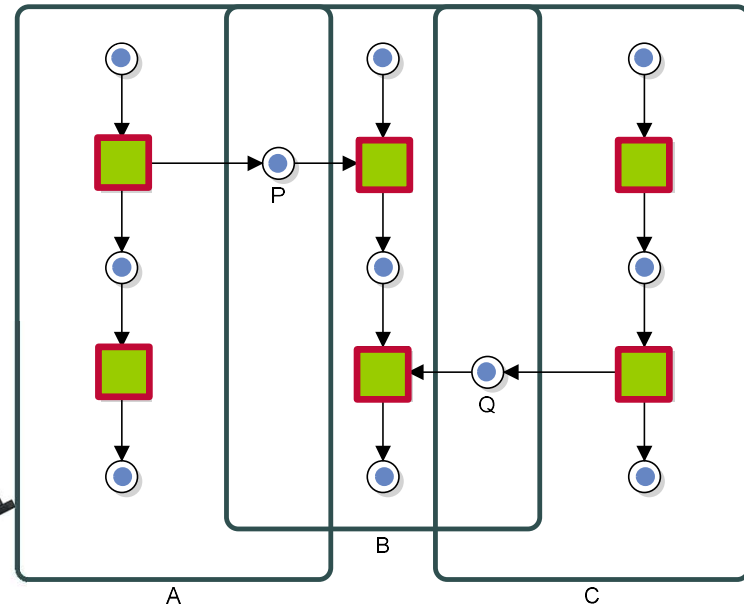
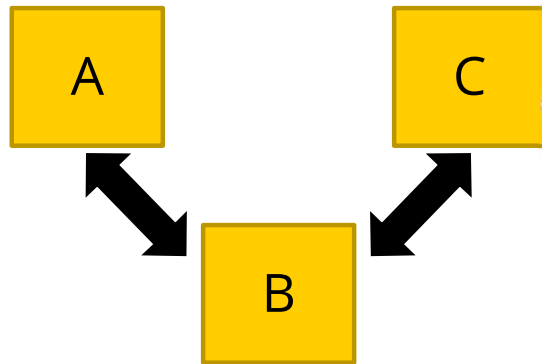
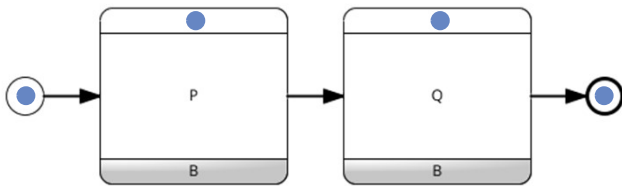


**JMvdW2** Toevoegen blauwe en rode run (realiseerbaar en niet realiseerbaar)

Jan Martijn van der Werf; 21-10-2021

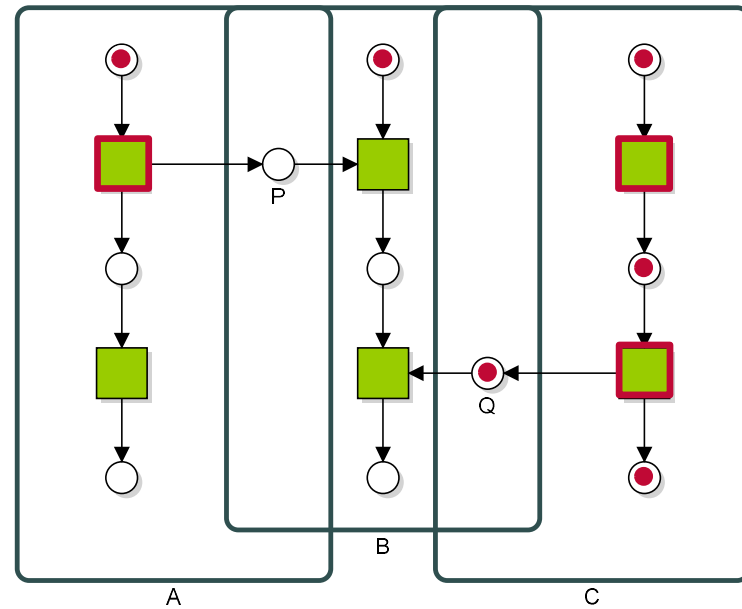
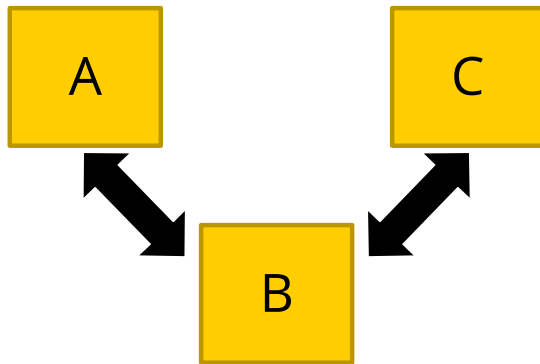
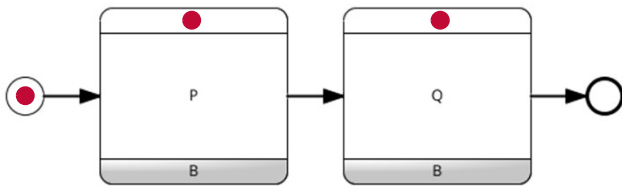


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This is a run of the choreography realized by the system

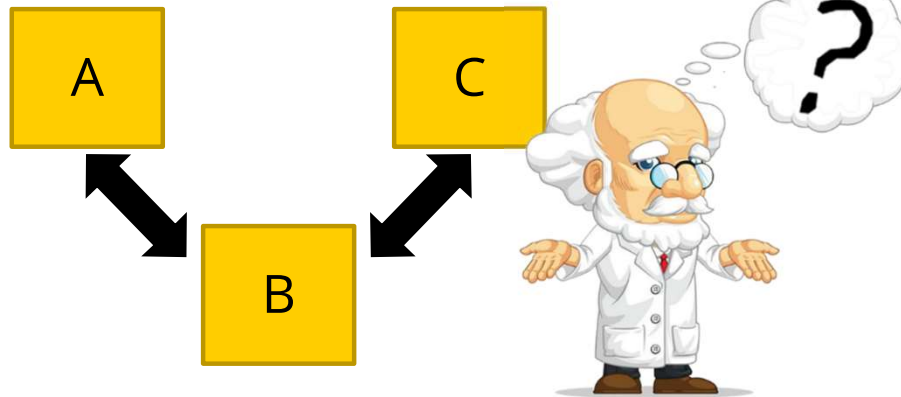
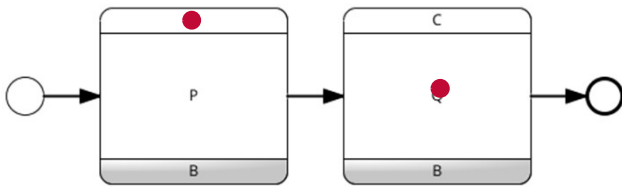
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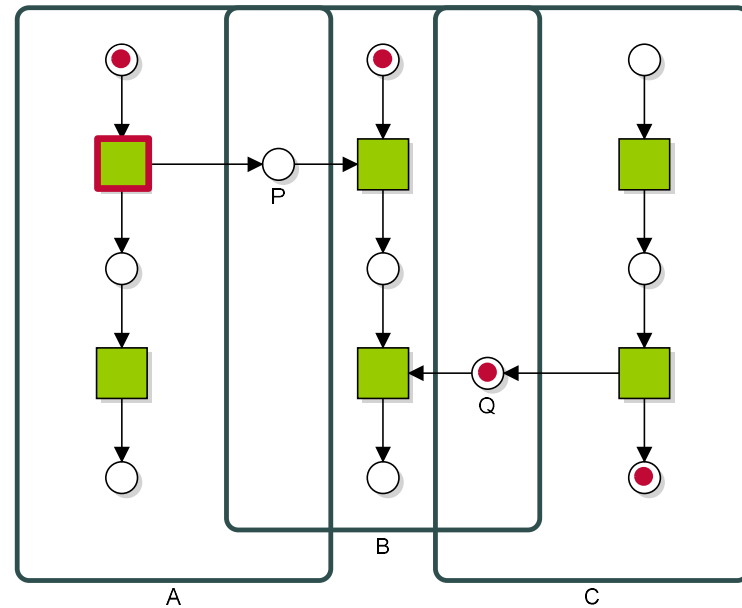




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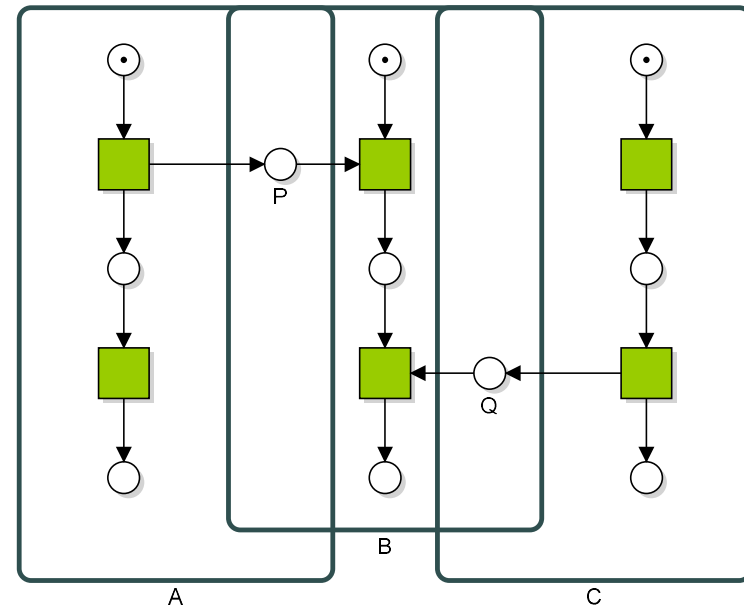
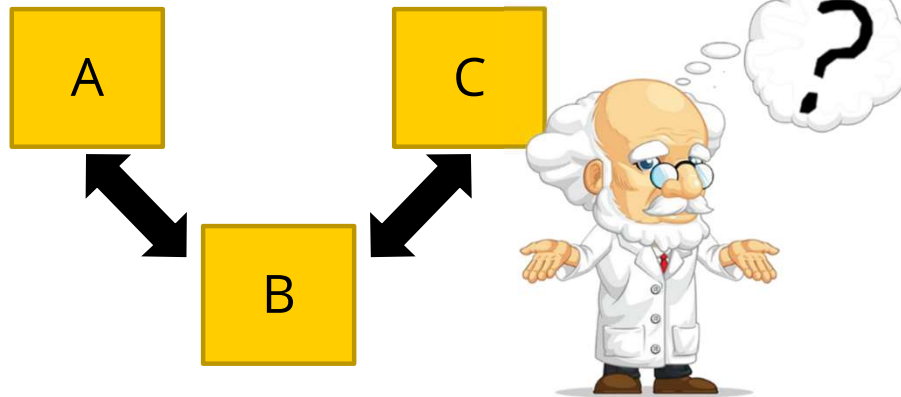
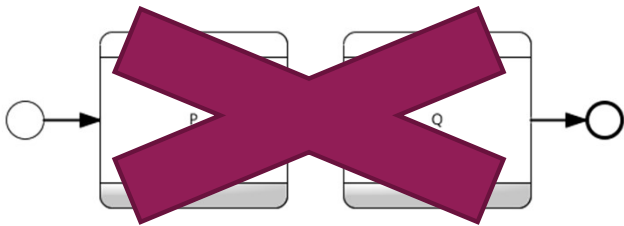


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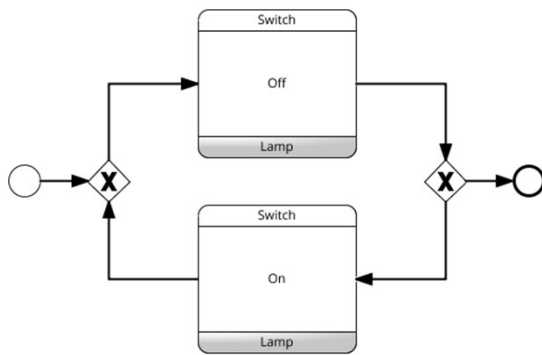
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## Rules on choreographies

### A sufficient condition

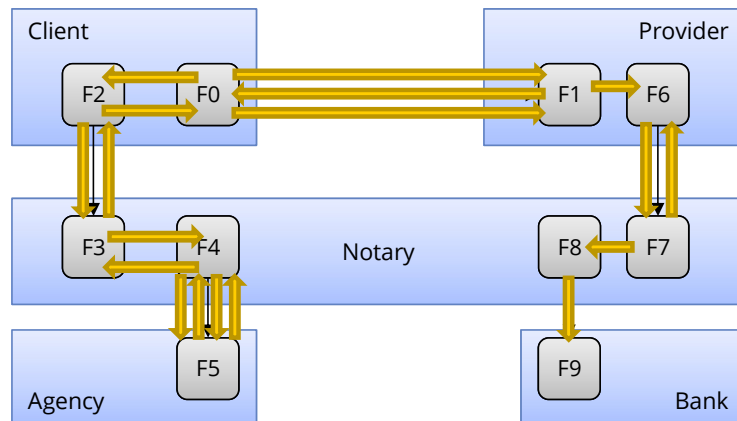
A choreography is correct if **all** of the following hold:

1. Only 2 parties involved
2. No parallelism! (sorry...)
3. Each choice should be made by one party only
4. Both parties send at least one message
5. In any loop, both parties should at least send one message



Loop, but only 1 party sends

## Define a Choreography for F0 and F1



- The client asks for permission. Upon receiving the permission, (s)he asks for a service of the provider, and either accepts or denies the offer received by the provider. Upon accepting, the provider offers the service, and regularly sends an invoice, which needs to be signed and returned by the client. Once denied, either (s)he stops, or (s)he asks for a better offer.

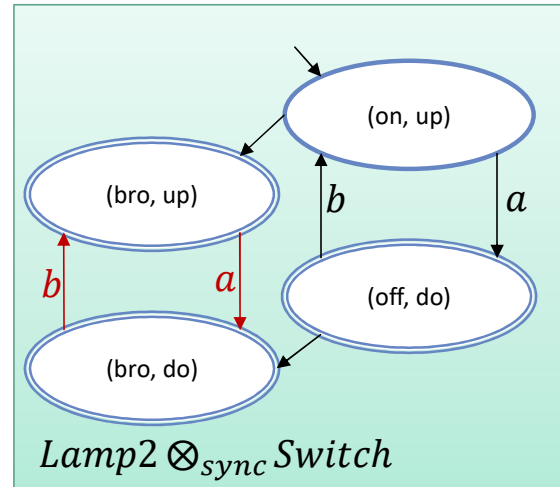
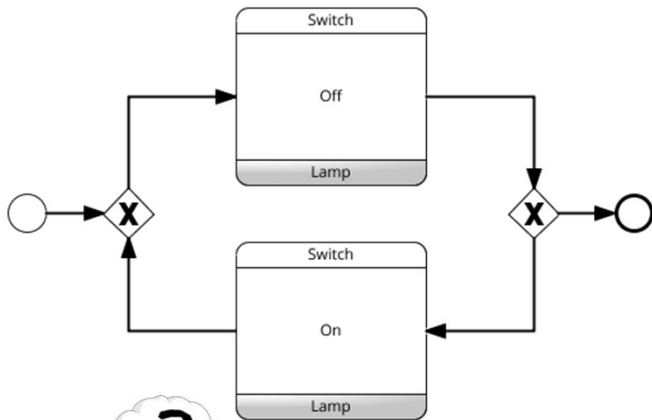
In case the client does not receive permission, (s)he tries again.

Key:

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## Realizability: asynchronous vs. synchronous

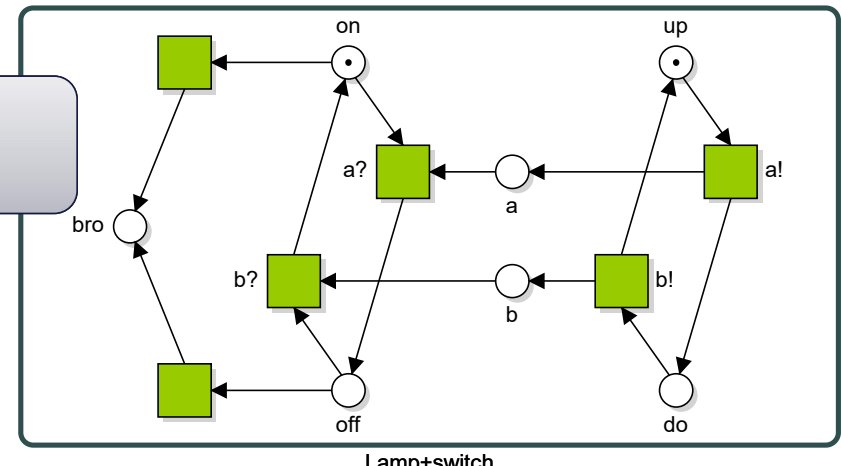


Which semantics do you choose? Why?

**Realizable:**

Synchronous : **yes**

Asynchronous : **no**





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# *Towards a construction method...*

Research in progress



## How to model the containers?

Allowed orders?

Internal dependencies?

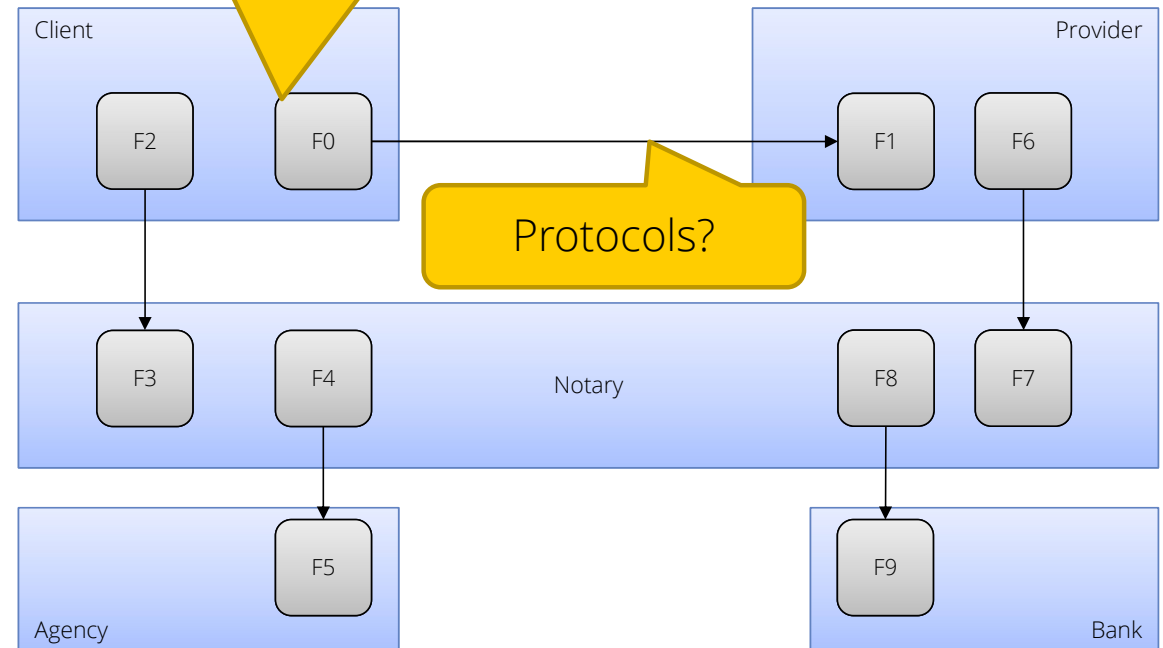
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Protocols?



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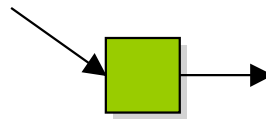
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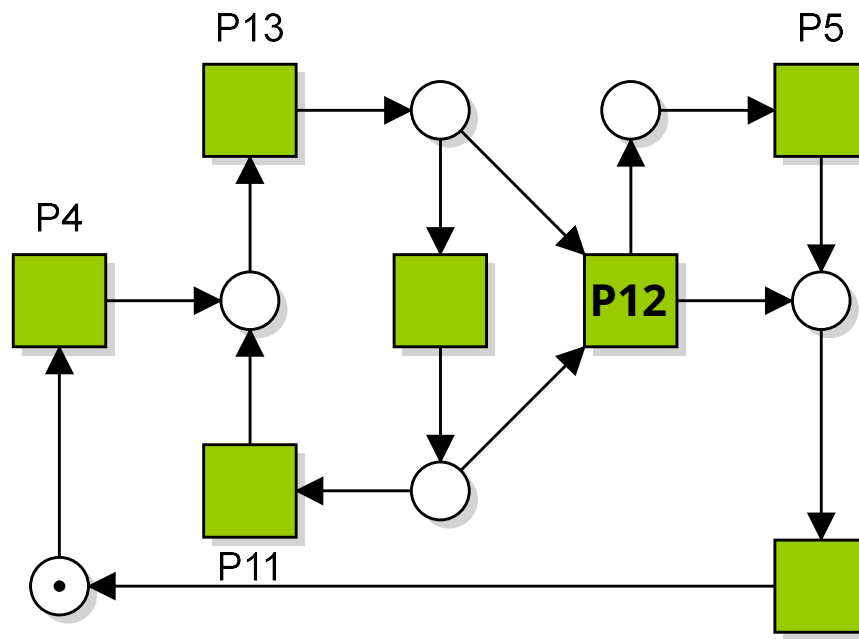
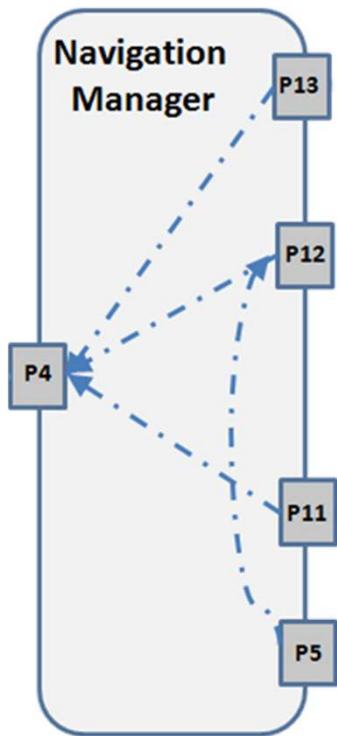
Dependency  
**Via places**

Allowed order of functions?  
**Token game in Petri nets**





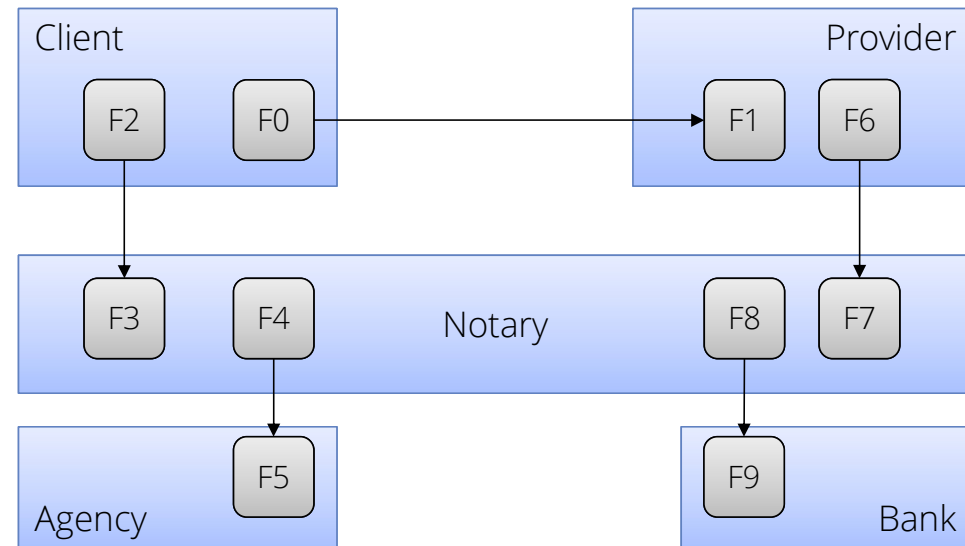
## When is an internal specification correct?



Every function should always eventually be enabled?



## How to model the containers?



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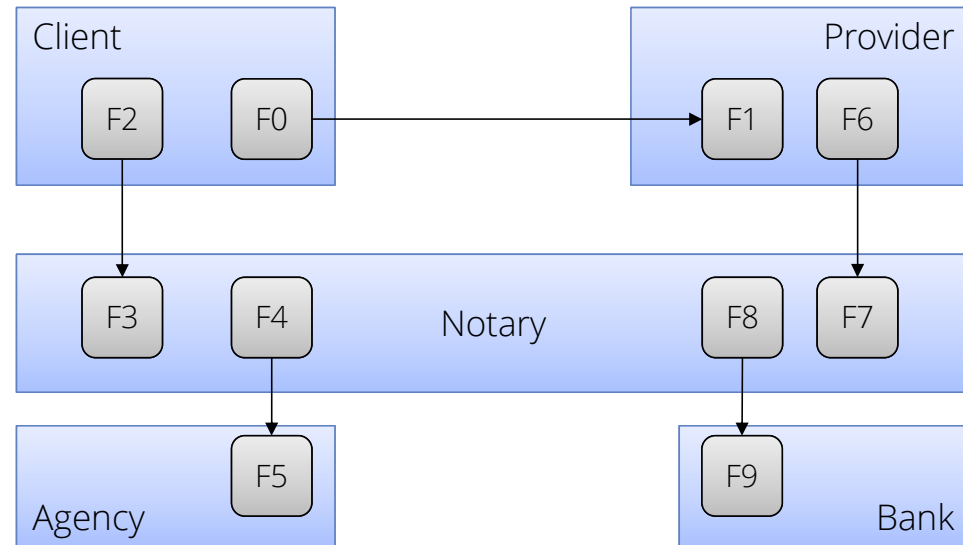
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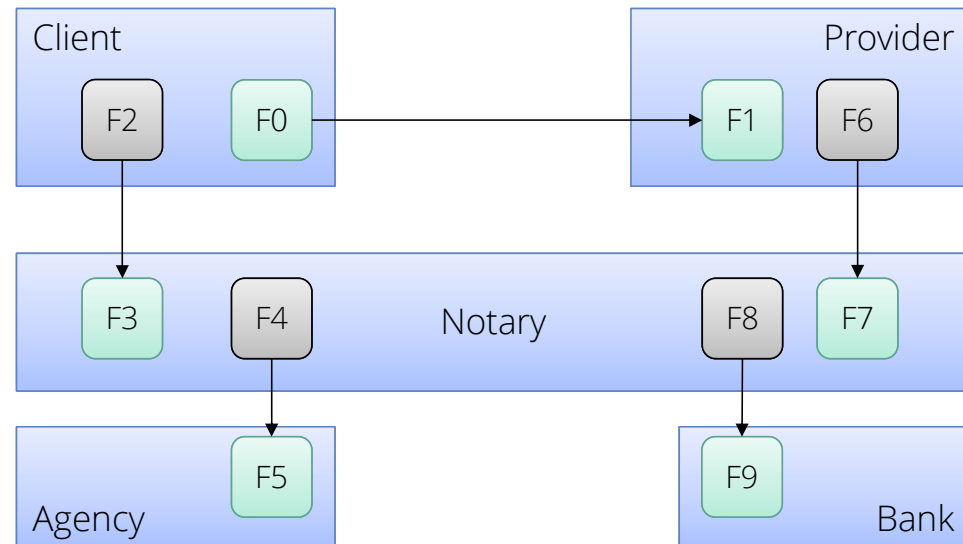


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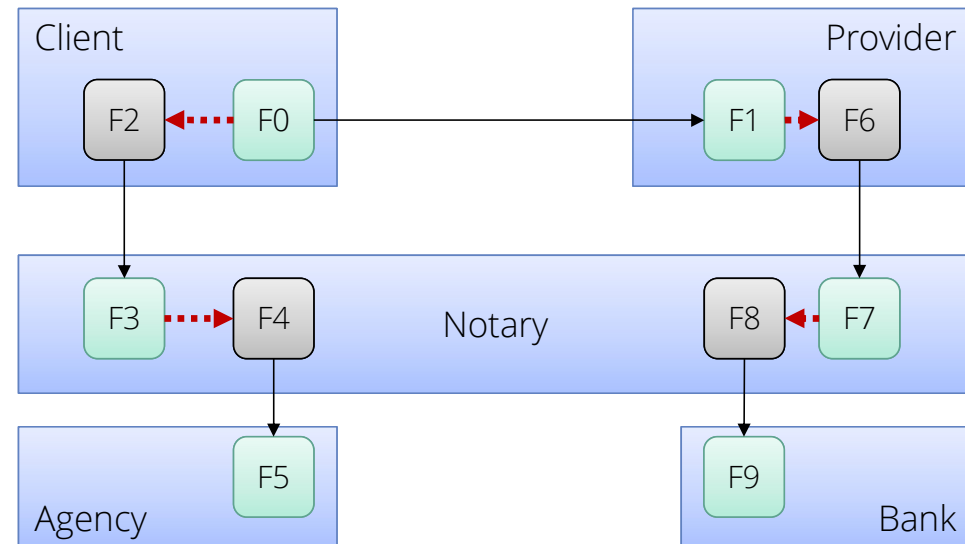


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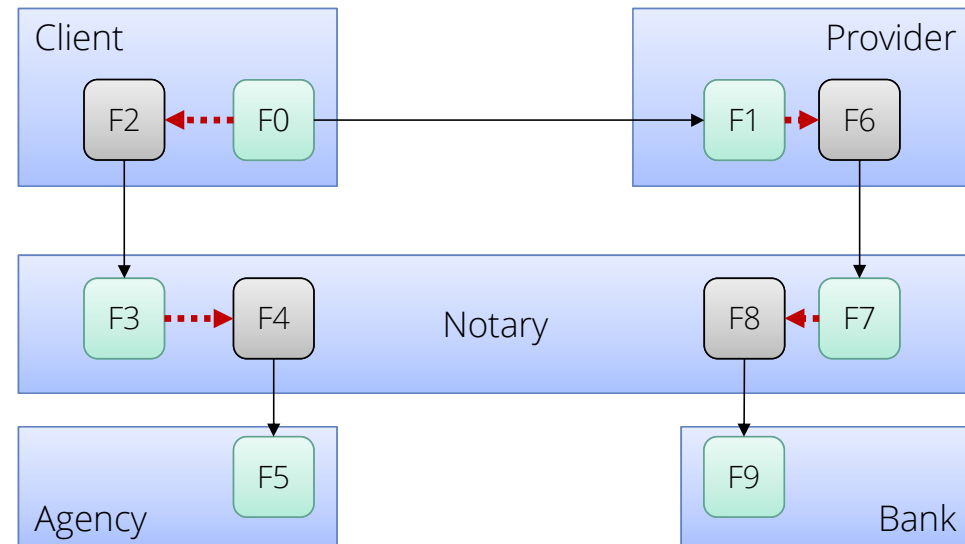
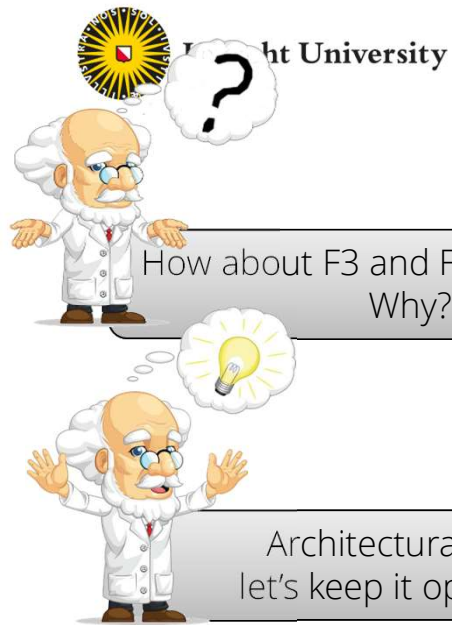
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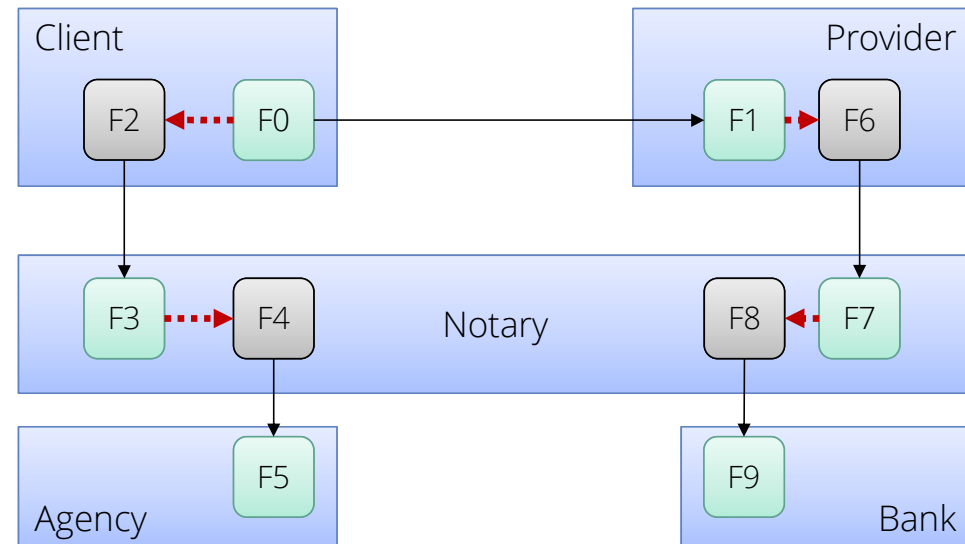
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## Building a container net

- Each **independent** feature becomes a transition
- Questions your net should answer:
  - Is it always possible to “restart” the module?**
  - Can the feature only be called once?**

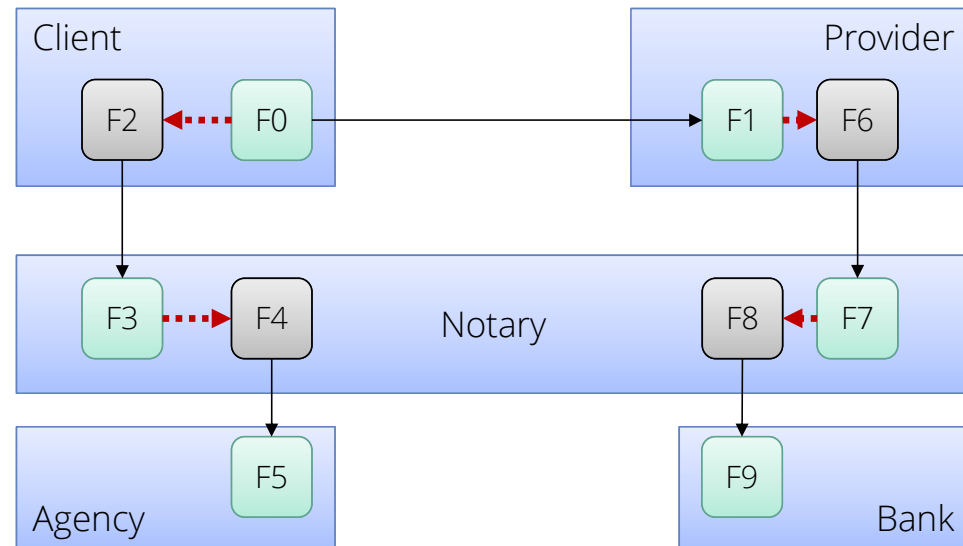
Refinement rules aid in building **correct** Petri nets!







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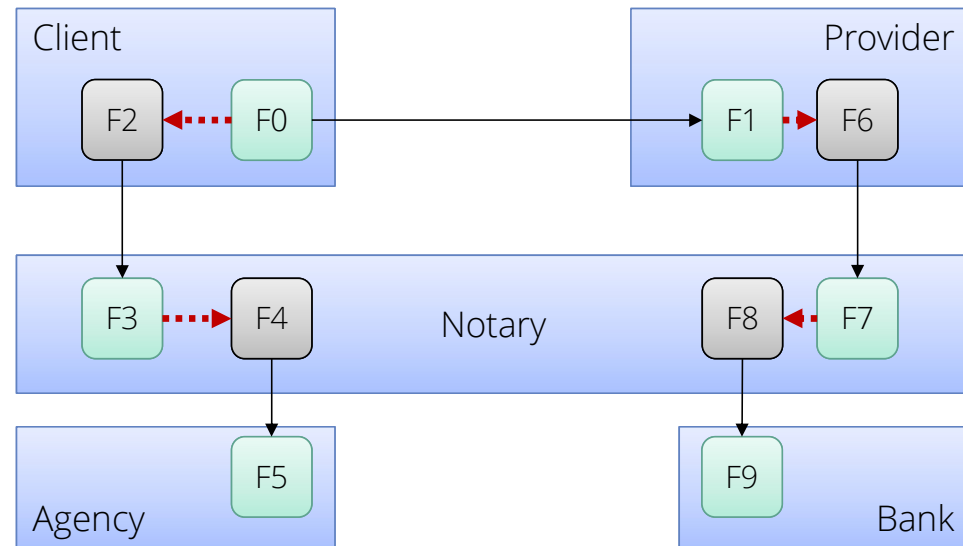
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- Stick to the Self-loop transition rule!  
**Even the Jackson rules may introduce dead- and livelocks!**



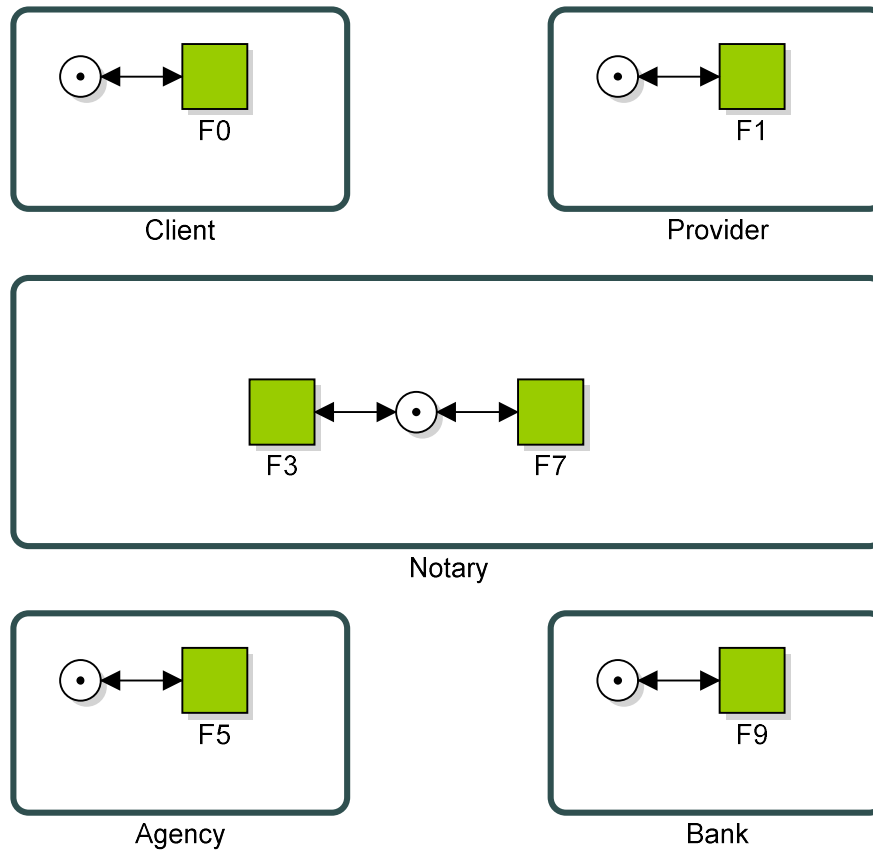
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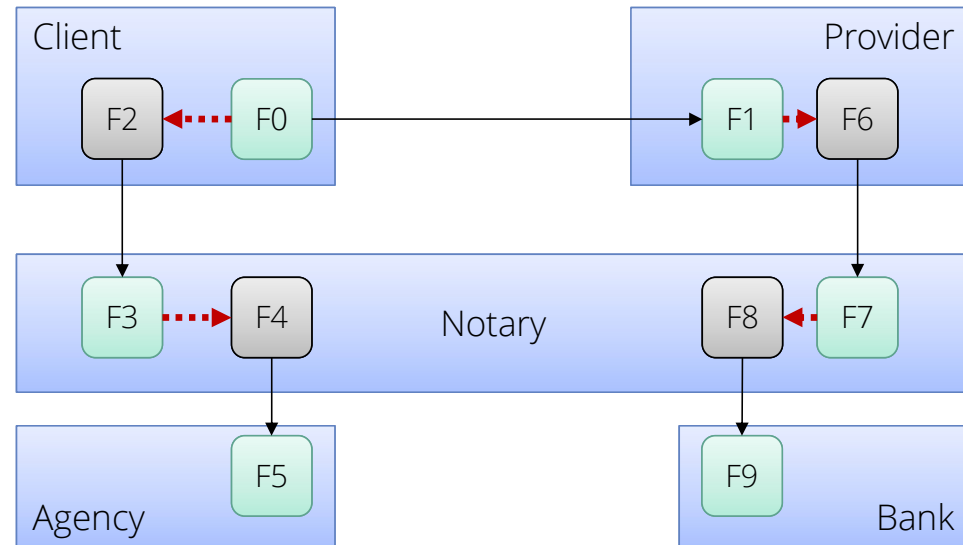
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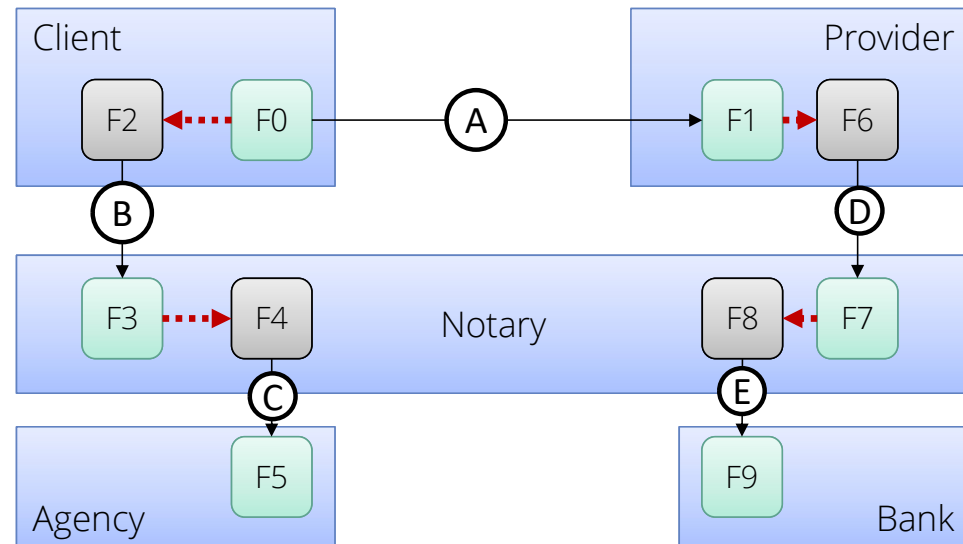


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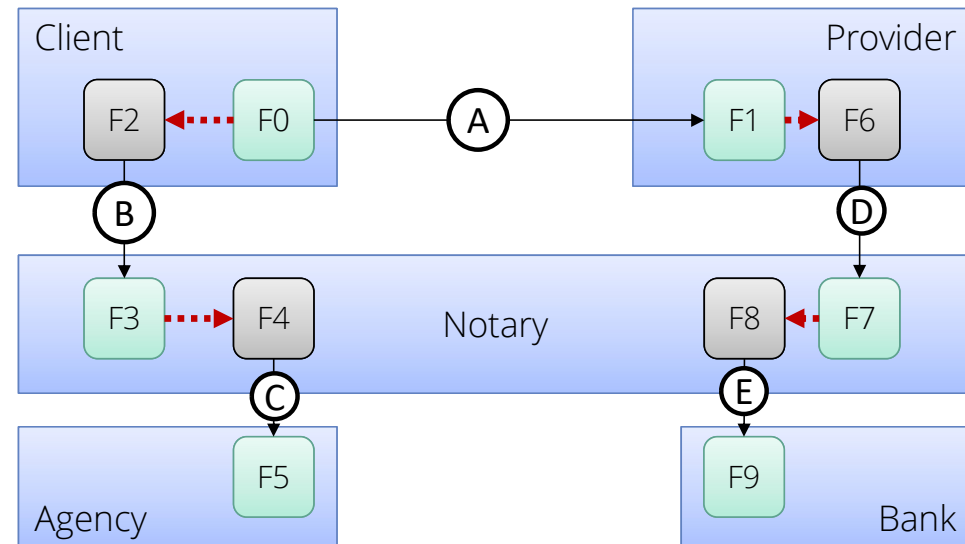
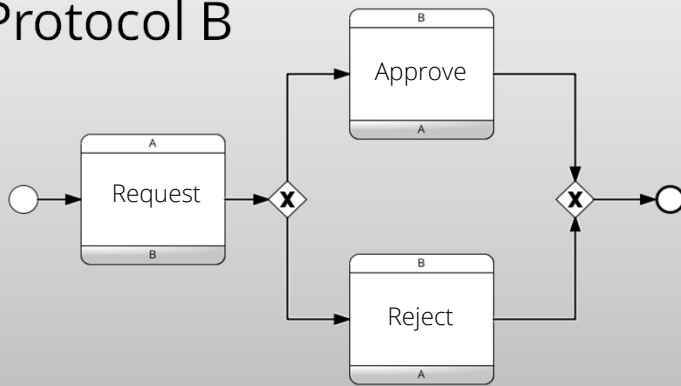


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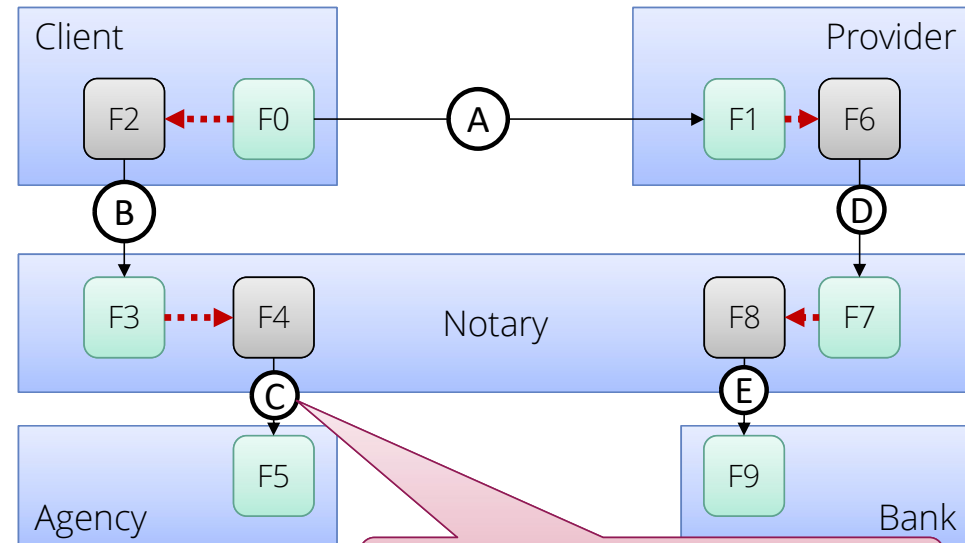
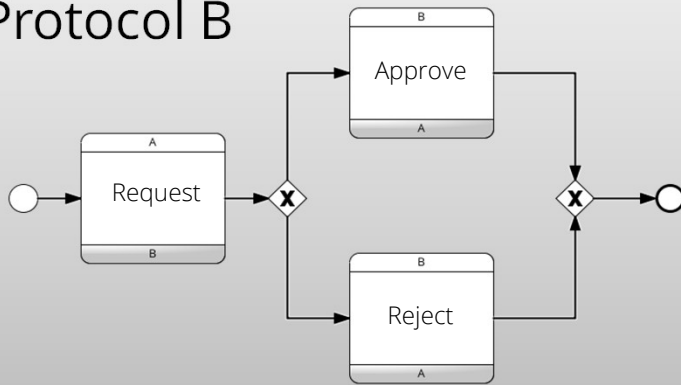
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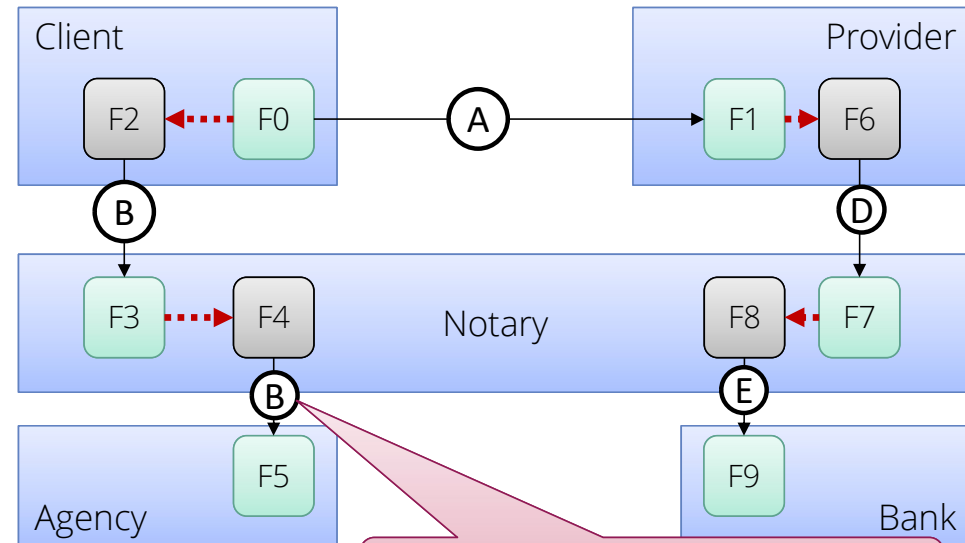
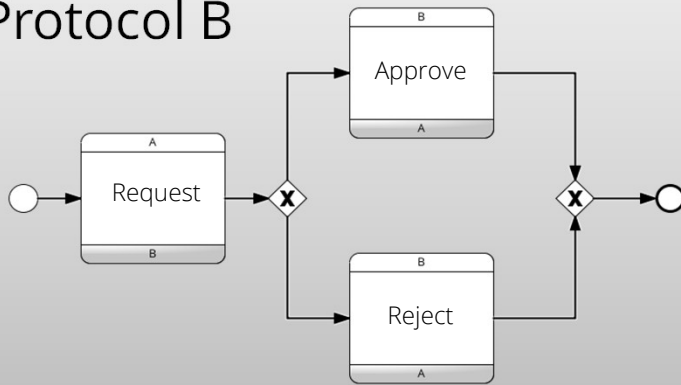
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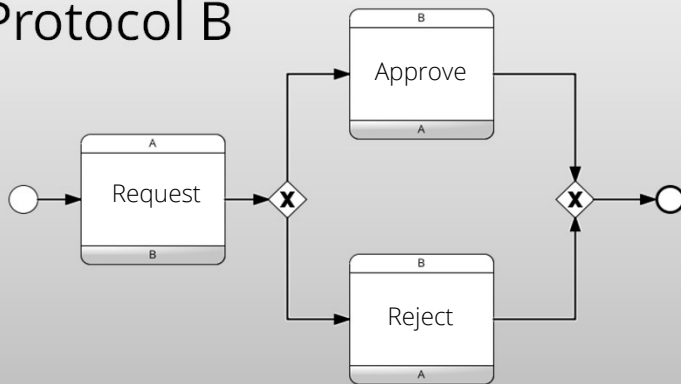


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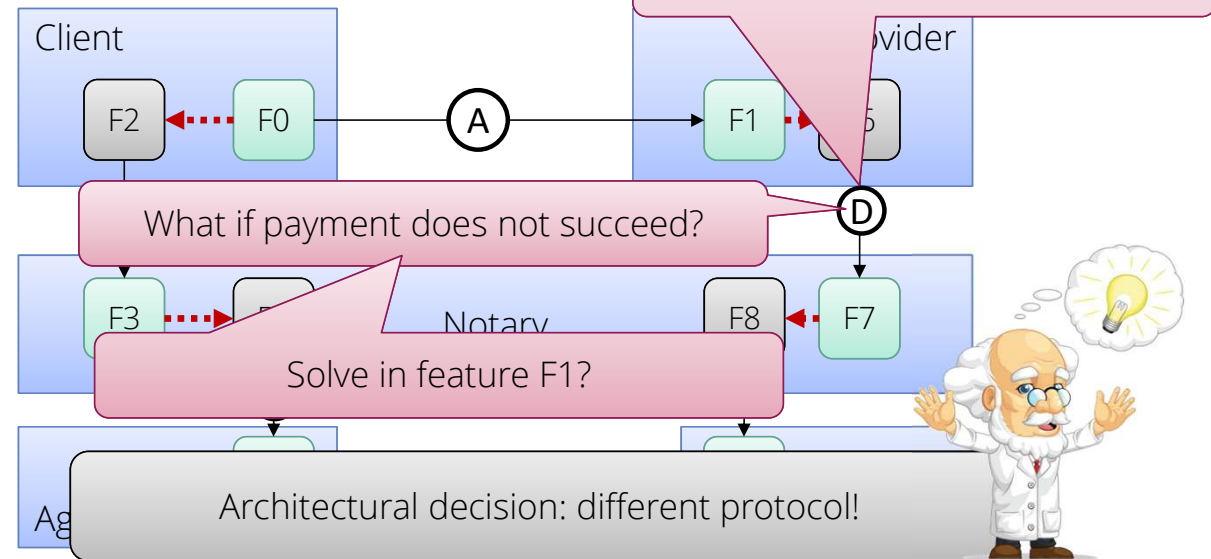
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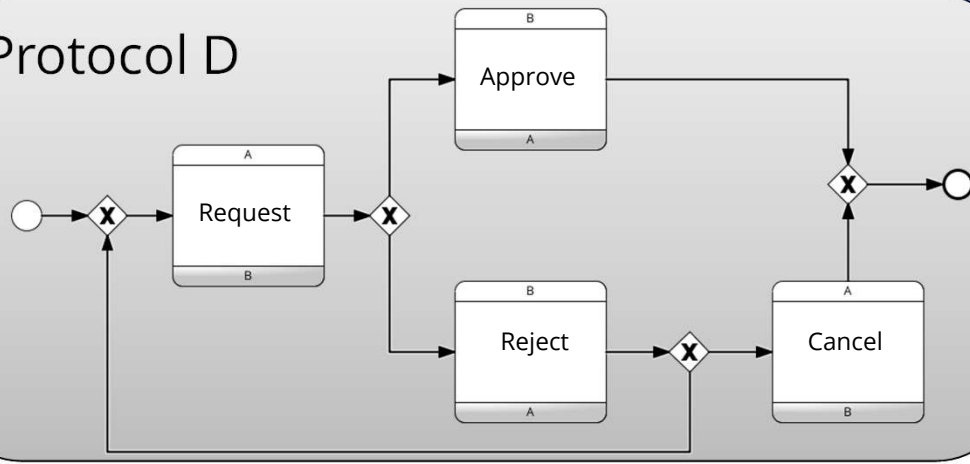
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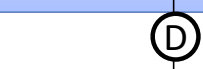
### Protocol D



Client



Provider



Notary



Bank

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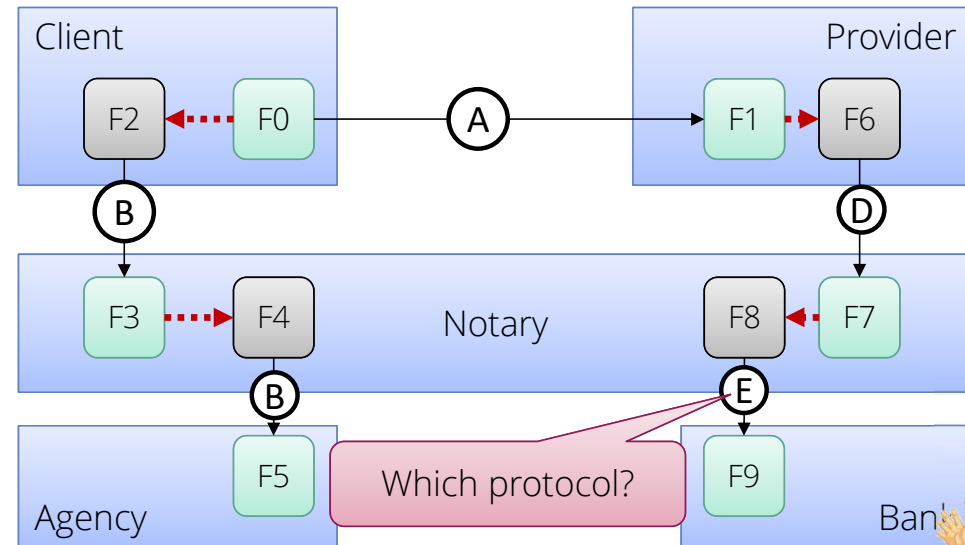
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Architectural decision: Remove bank from the system!

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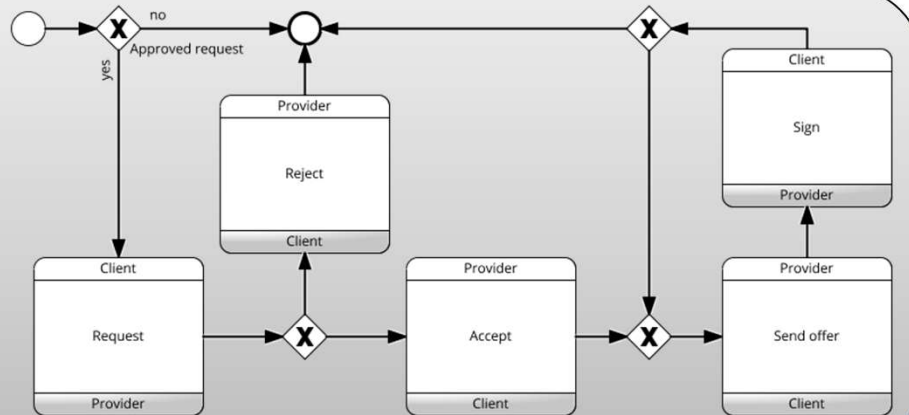


## Transformation of LM into Petri nets

Protocol B

Protocol D

Protocol A



Client

F2

F0

P

A

Provider

F1

F6

D

F7

Notary

Which protocol?

What if function F2 fails?

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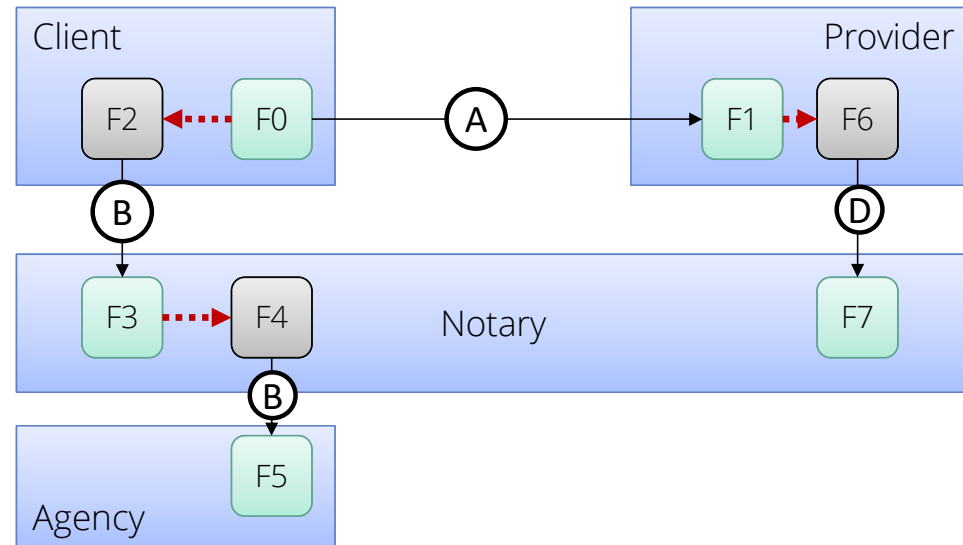


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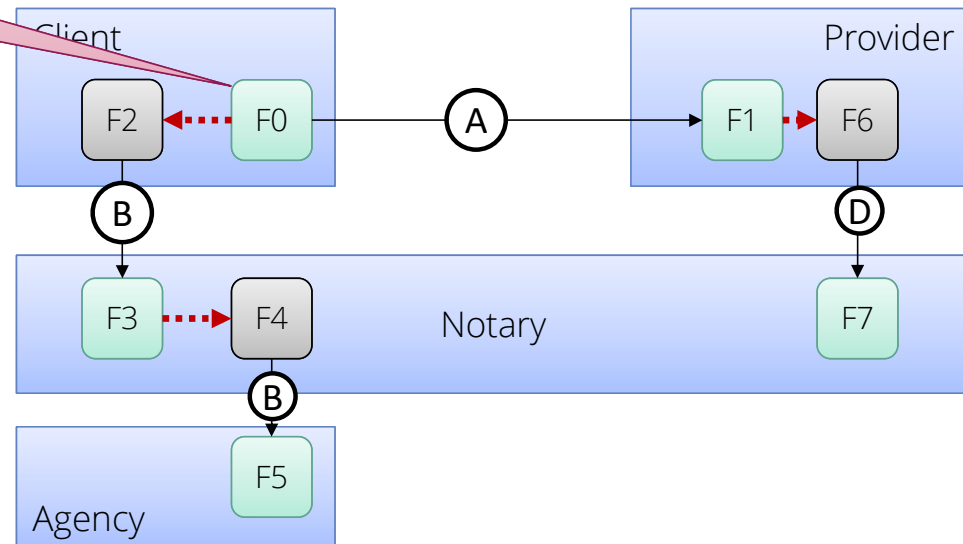
Select which place is refined in F0 for F2

Protocol B

Protocol D

Protocol A

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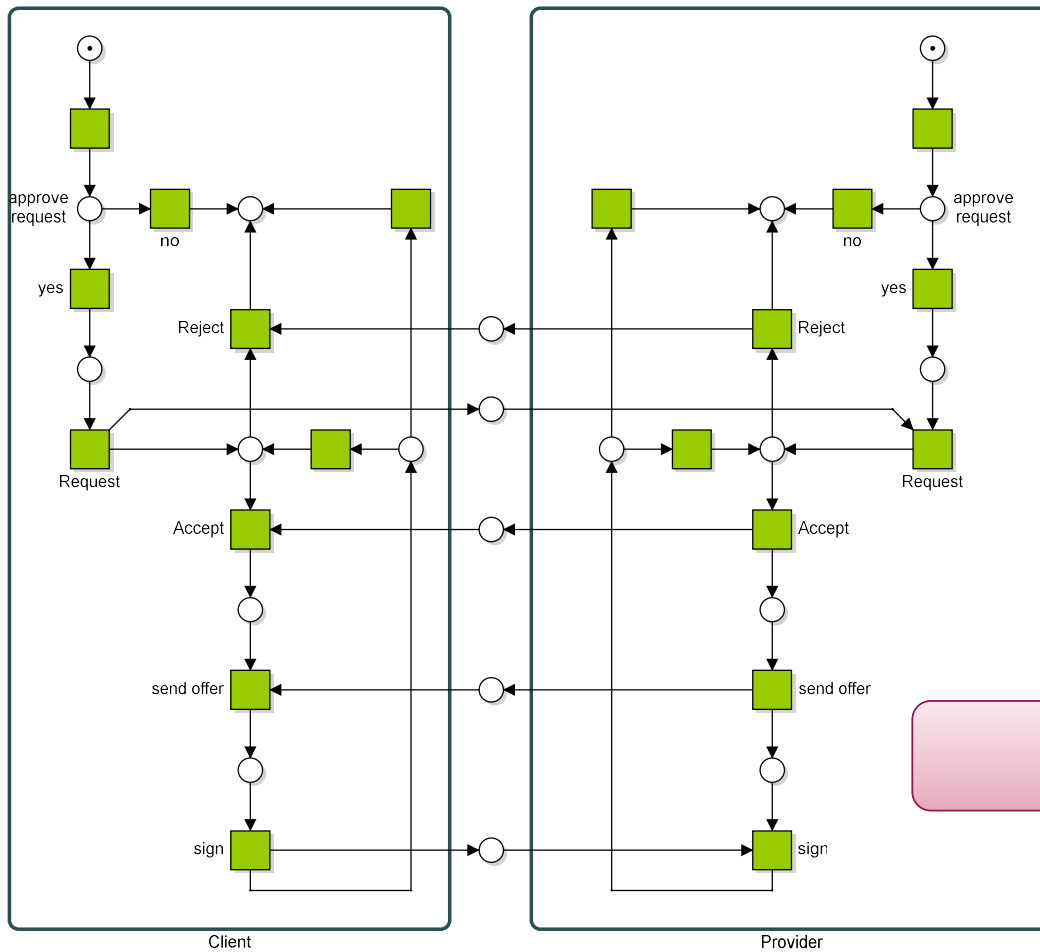


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## Protocol net for Protocol A



Not a correct protocol! Back to the drawing board!



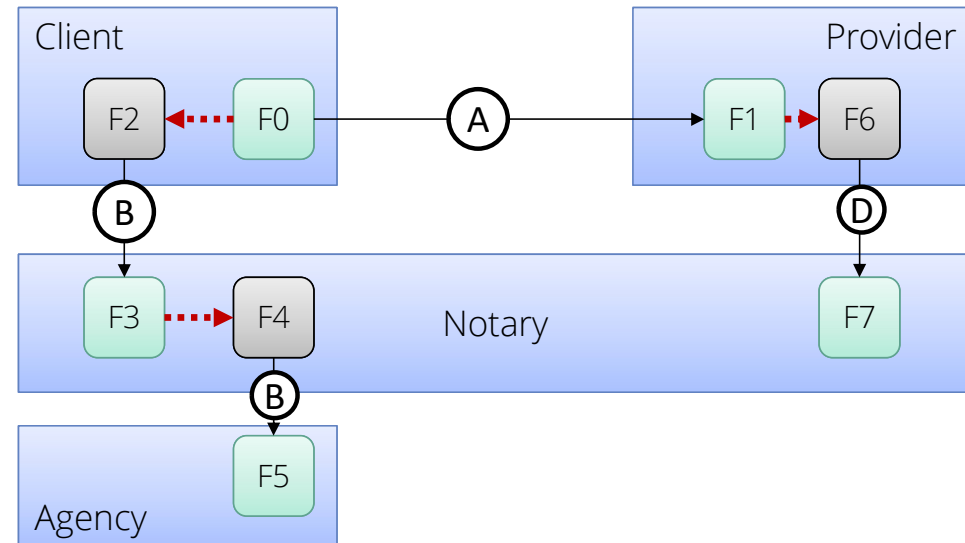


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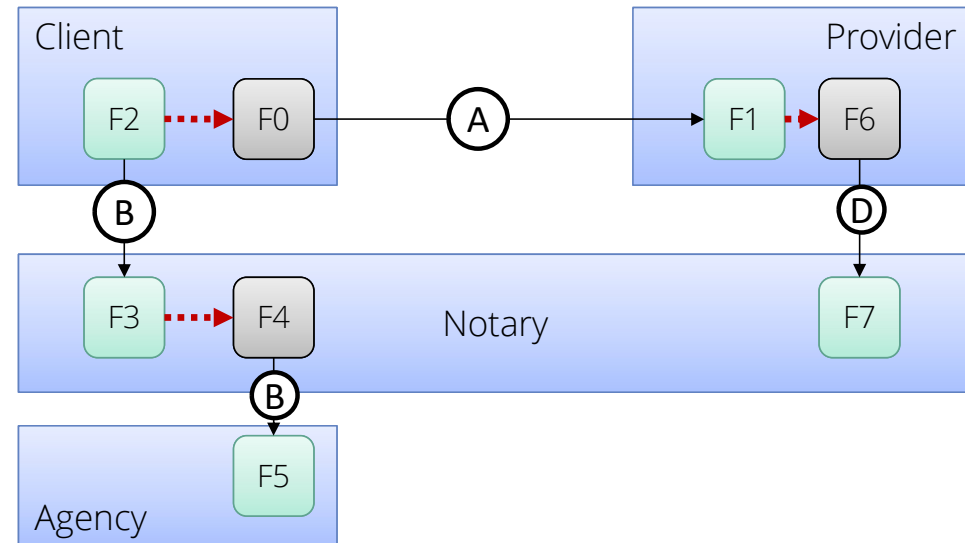


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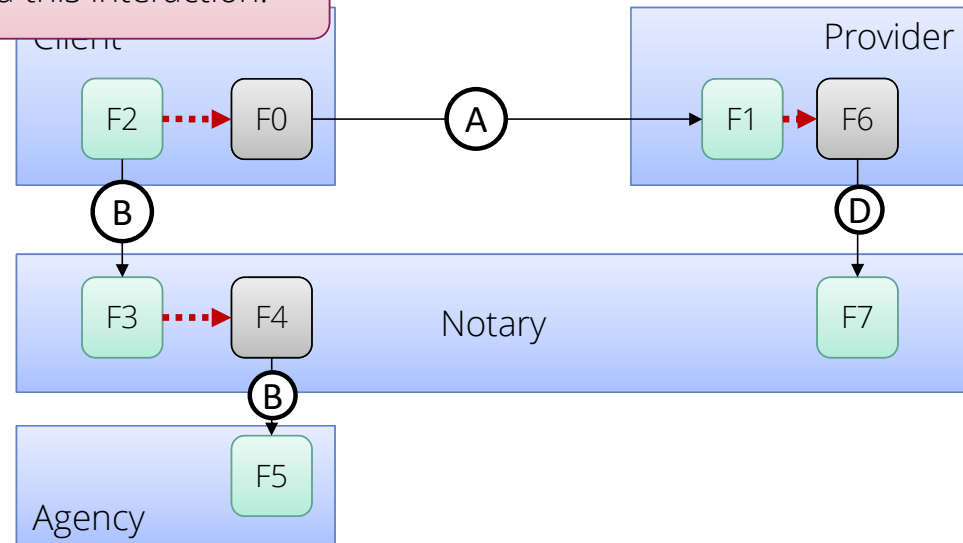
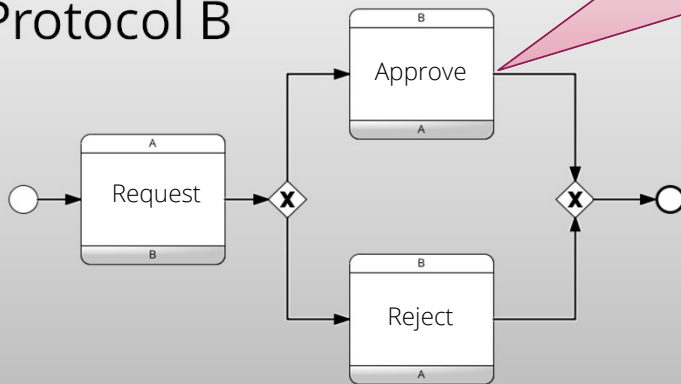


Which place will be refined?

## Transformation of LM into Petri nets

Directly behind this interaction!

### Protocol B



Rules of the transformation:

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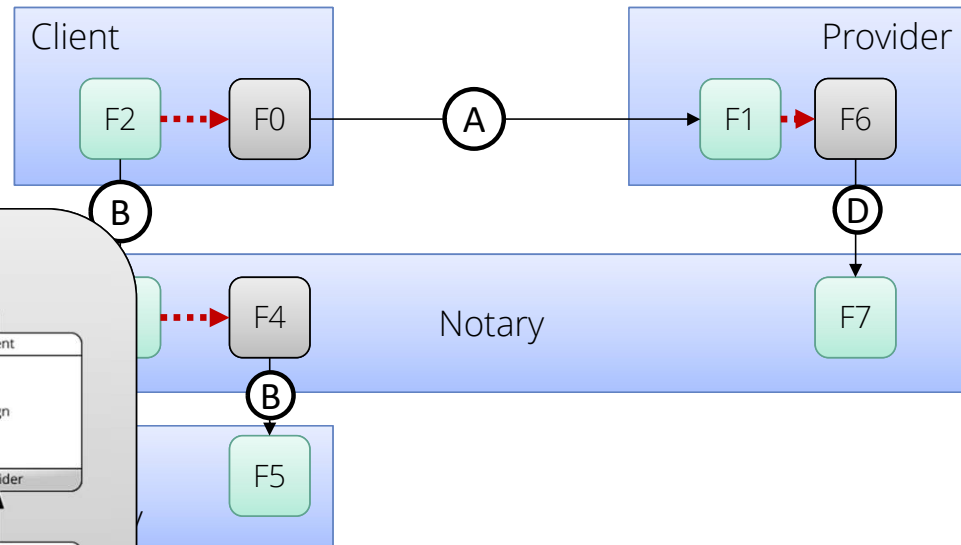


## Transformation of LM into Petri nets

Protocol B

Protocol D

Protocol A

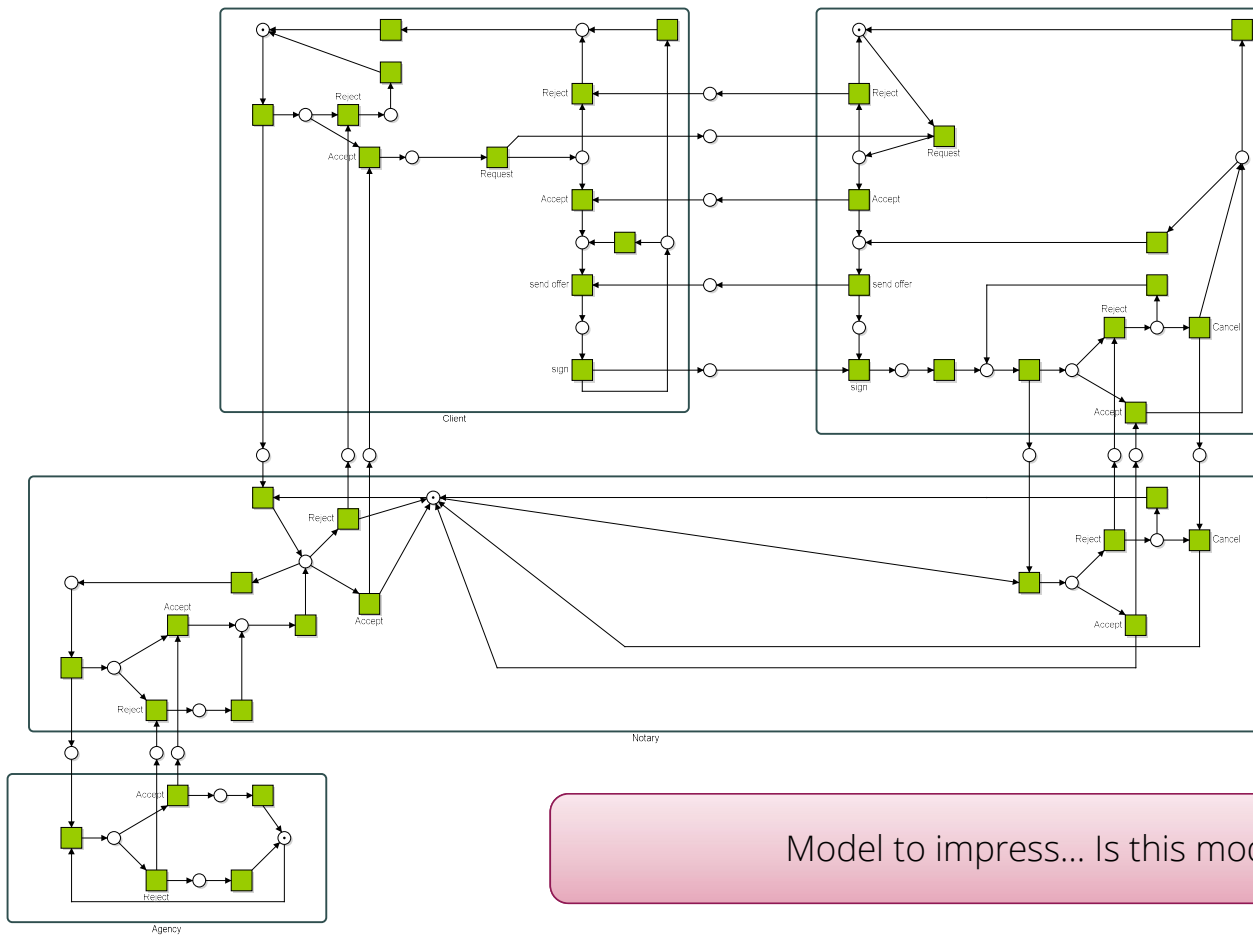


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## Resulting net



Model to impress... Is this model correct?



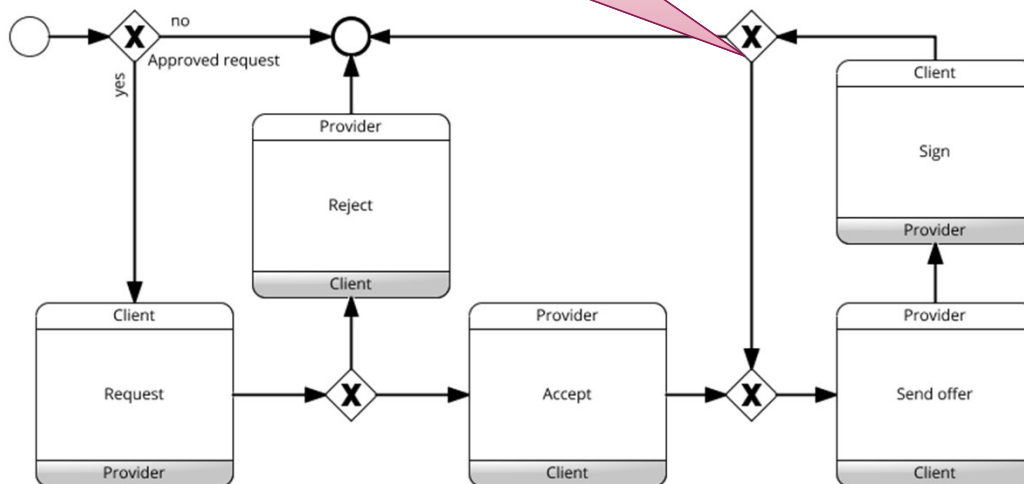


## Rules on choreographies A sufficient condition

A choreography is correct if **all** of the following hold:

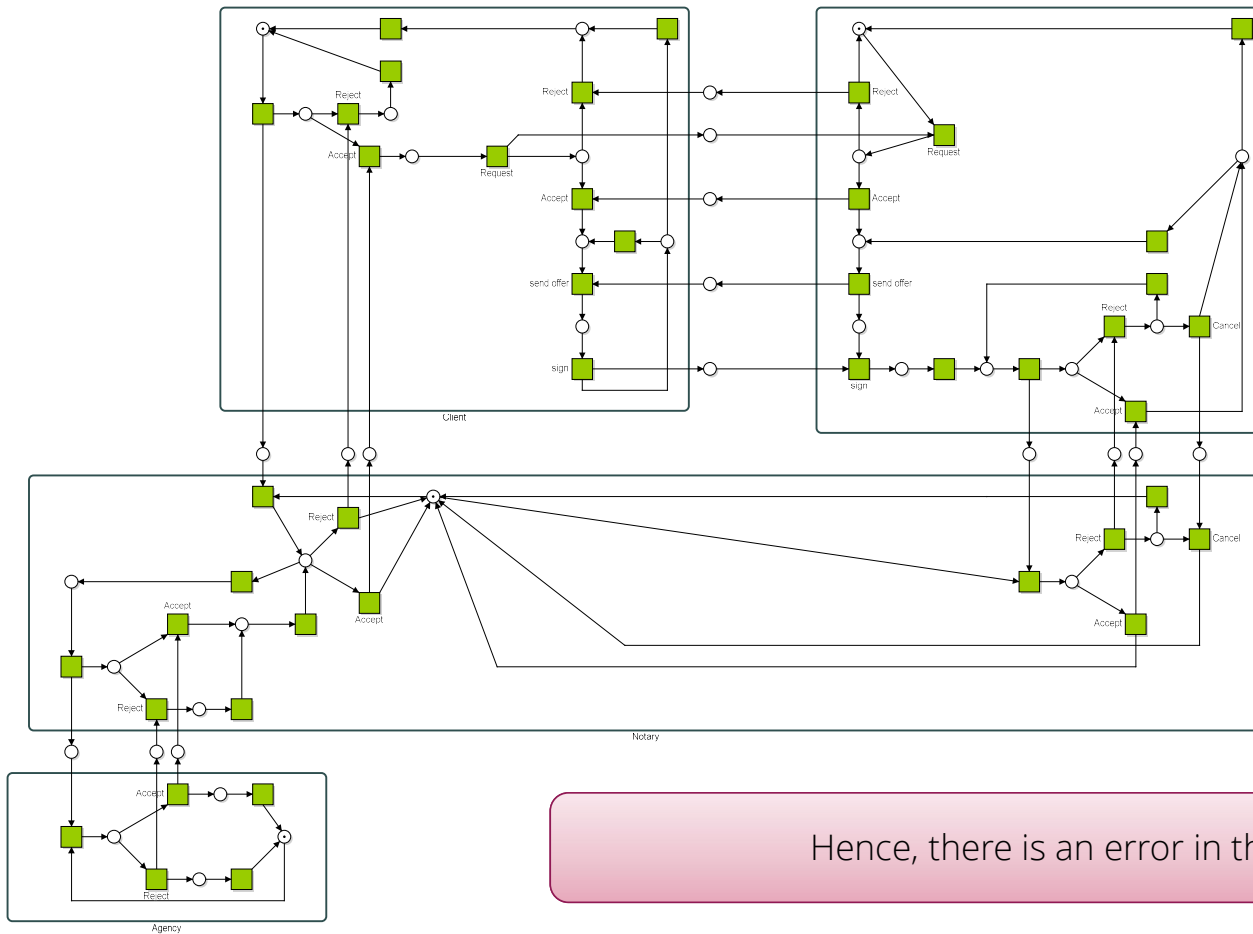
1. No parallelism! (sorry...)
2. Each choice should be made by one party only
- Both parties send at least one message
4. In any loop, both parties should at least send one message

No explicit choice!





## Resulting net



Hence, there is an error in this model!



## Is the model correct after repairing protocol A?

When is the composition correct?

- Protocols between two containers only
- Protocol choreography with before mentioned rules
- Acyclic high level picture (i.e., LM) should be acyclic!

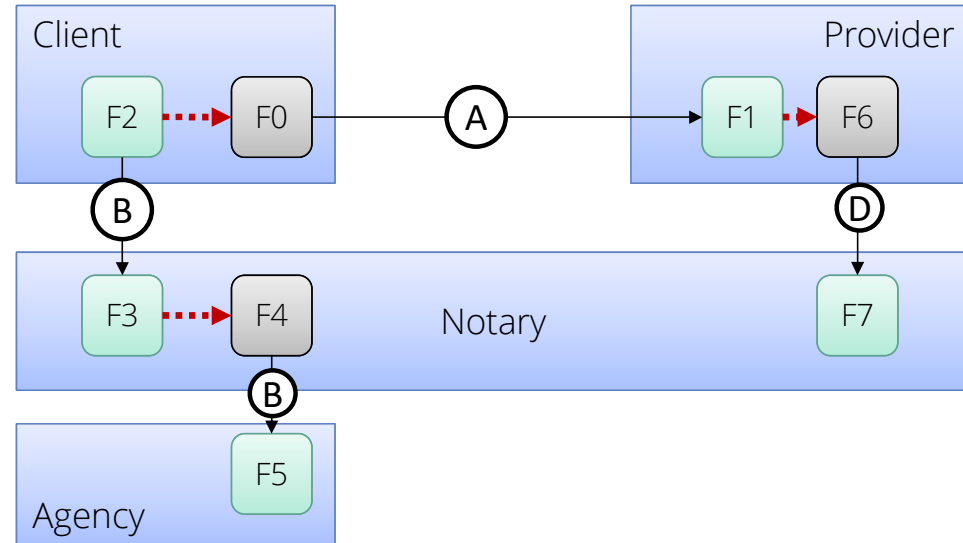


## Transformation of LM into Petri nets

Protocol B

Protocol D

Protocol A

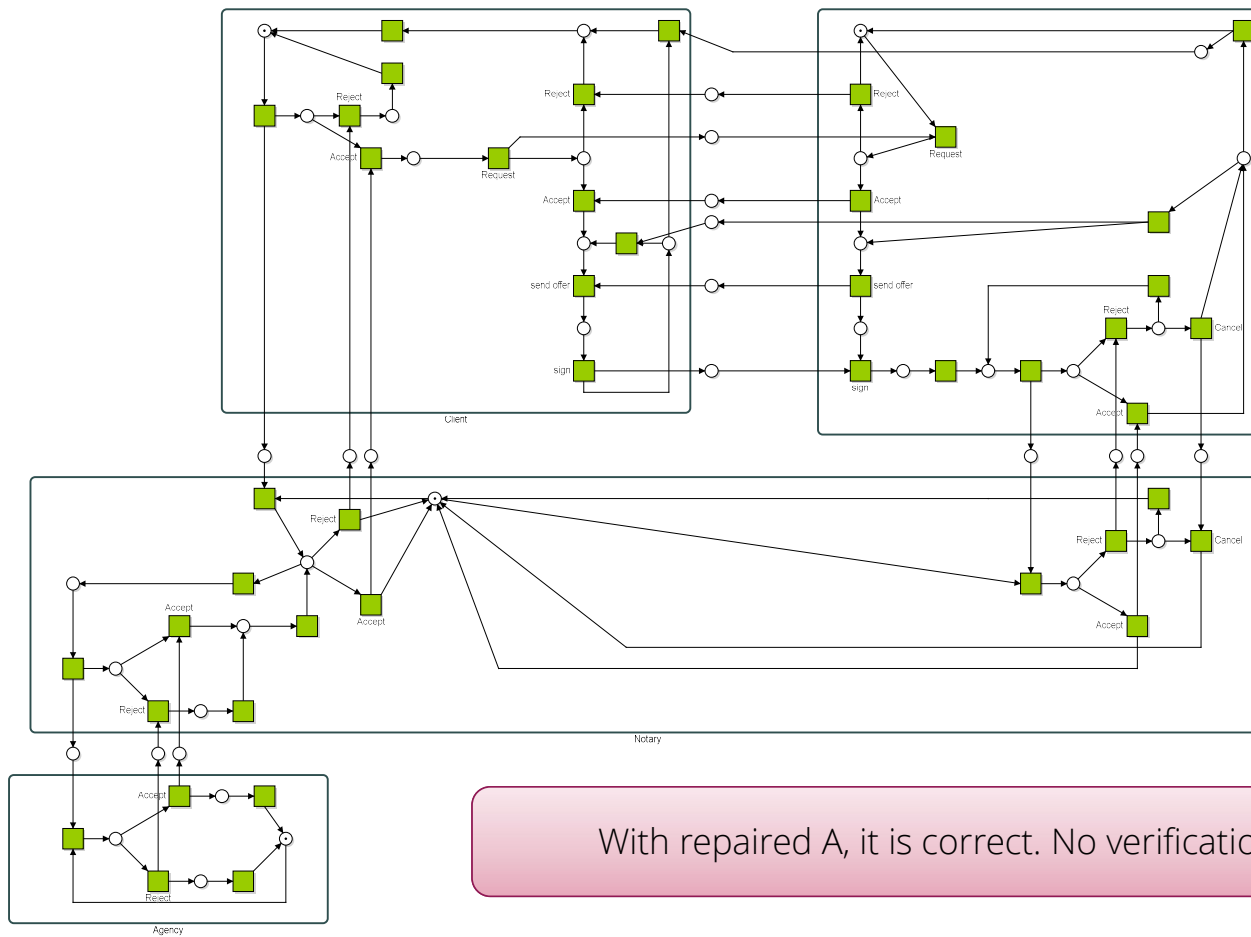


This logical model is acyclic





## Resulting net



With repaired A, it is correct. No verification required ☺



# Dynamics in Architecture Documentation

## Documentation

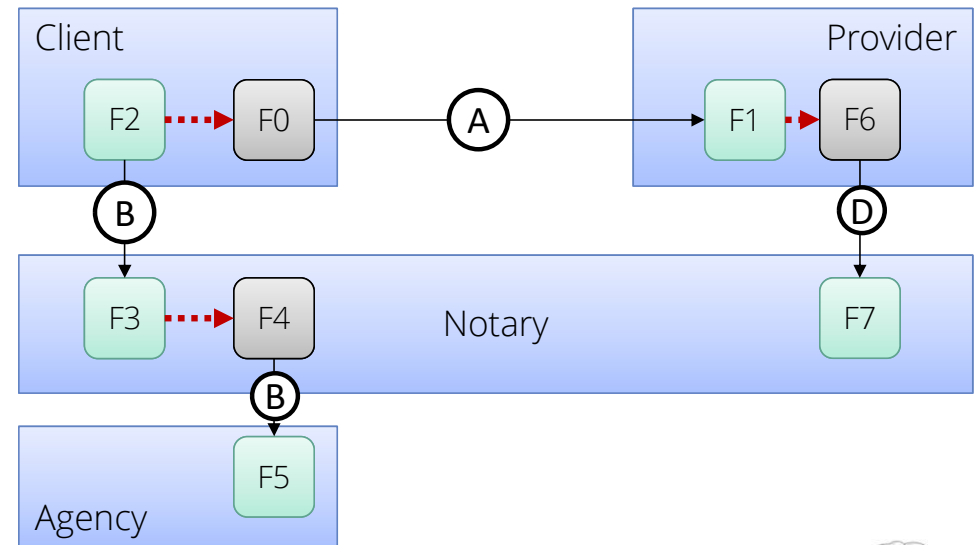
Logical model

Container nets

Protocol A

Protocol B

Protocol D



If all rules applied, you do not need to construct the "super Petri net"





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*About the debates...*



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## Architecture debate



- Evaluation of your architecture, serves as feedback!
- A debate lasts 30 minutes:
  - Team A presents for 15 minutes**
  - Team B&C are contesting (provide arguments against)**
  - Team D&E are defending (provide arguments in favor)**
  - Team F takes notes for team A**
- Discussion on pros and cons
  - Proper trade-offs?**
  - How do the trade-offs influence the architecture?**
  - What are the consequences of the choices?**
  - How can the architecture be improved?**



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