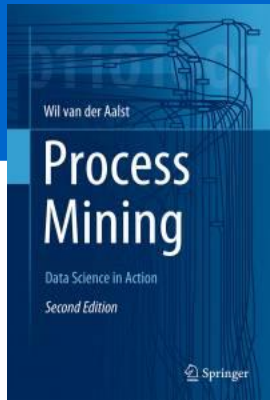


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Transition Systems and Petri Net Properties

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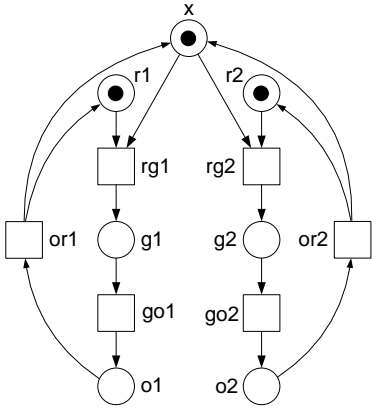


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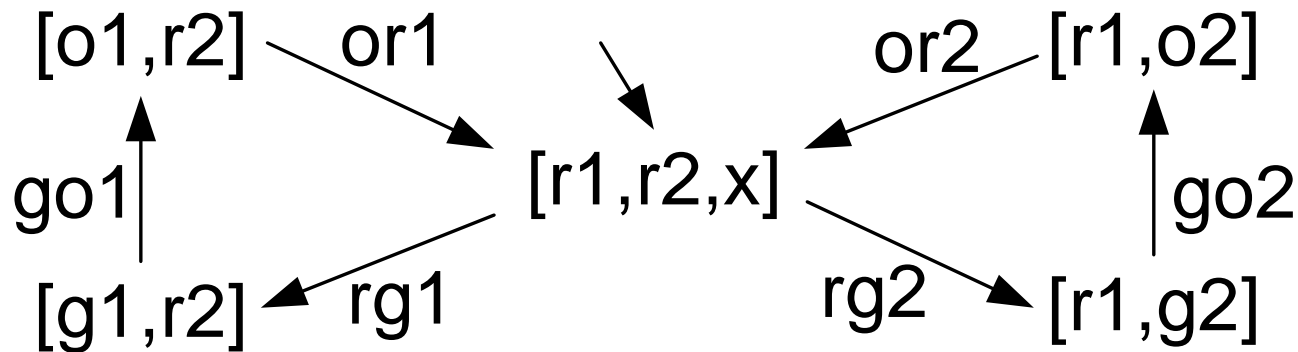
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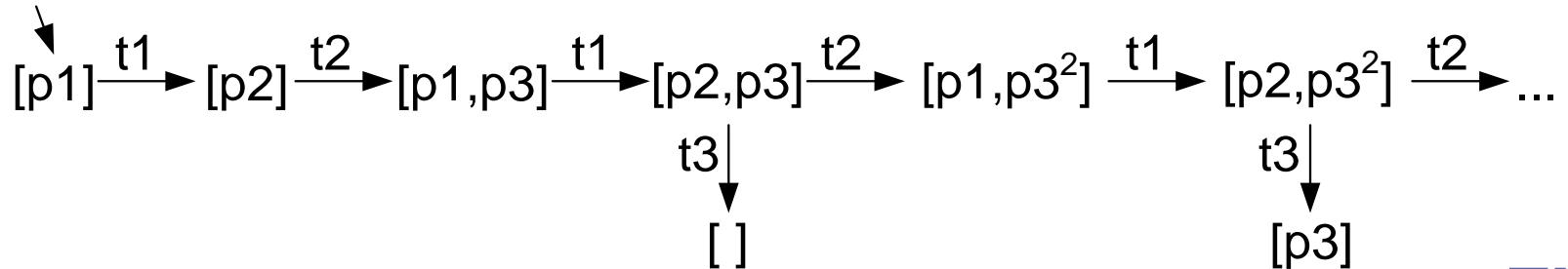
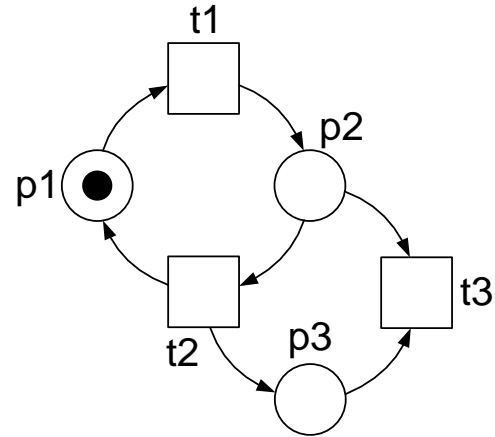
Reachability graph of a Petri net



The reachability graph is a **transition system** with one initial state (initial marking) and no explicit final marking.

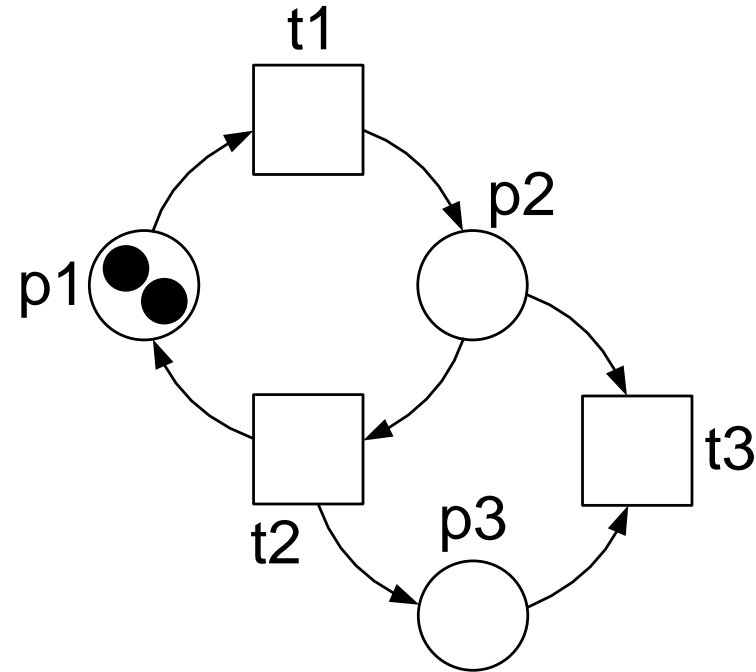


Reachability graph may be infinite

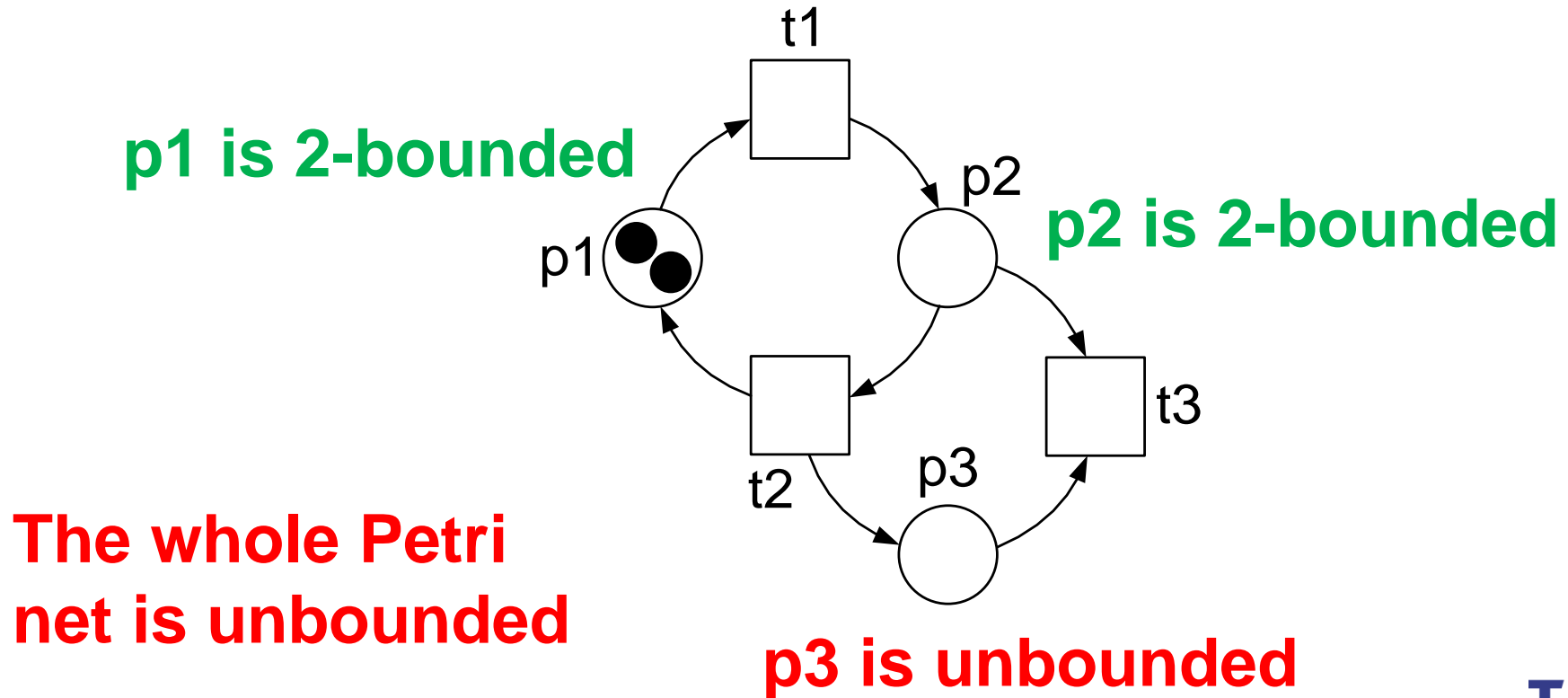


Boundedness

- A **place** p is **k -bounded** if there is no reachable marking with more than k tokens in p .
- A **Petri net** is **k -bounded** if all places are k -bounded.
- A place/Petri net is bounded if there **exists** such a k .

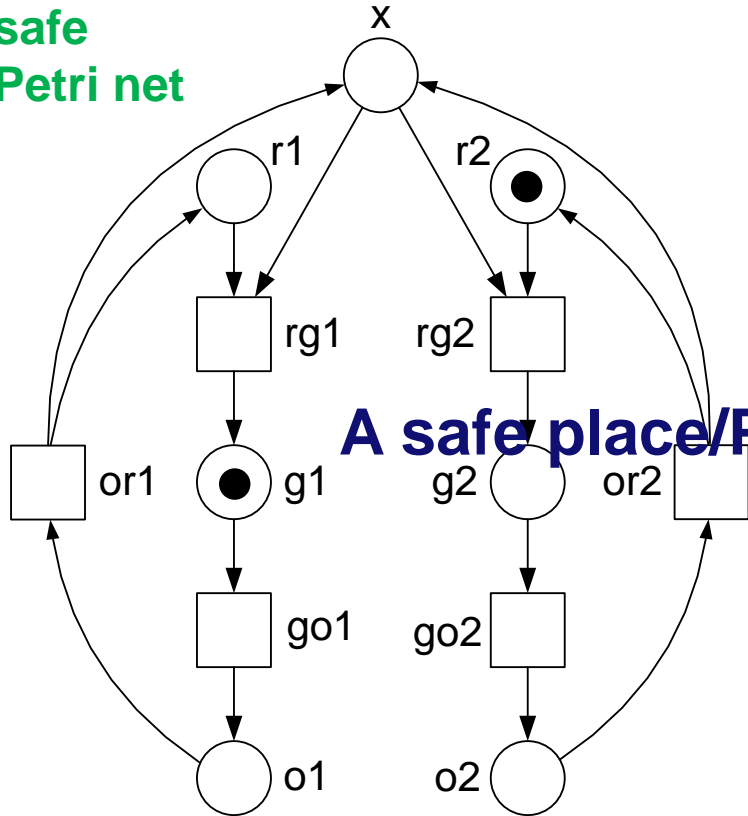


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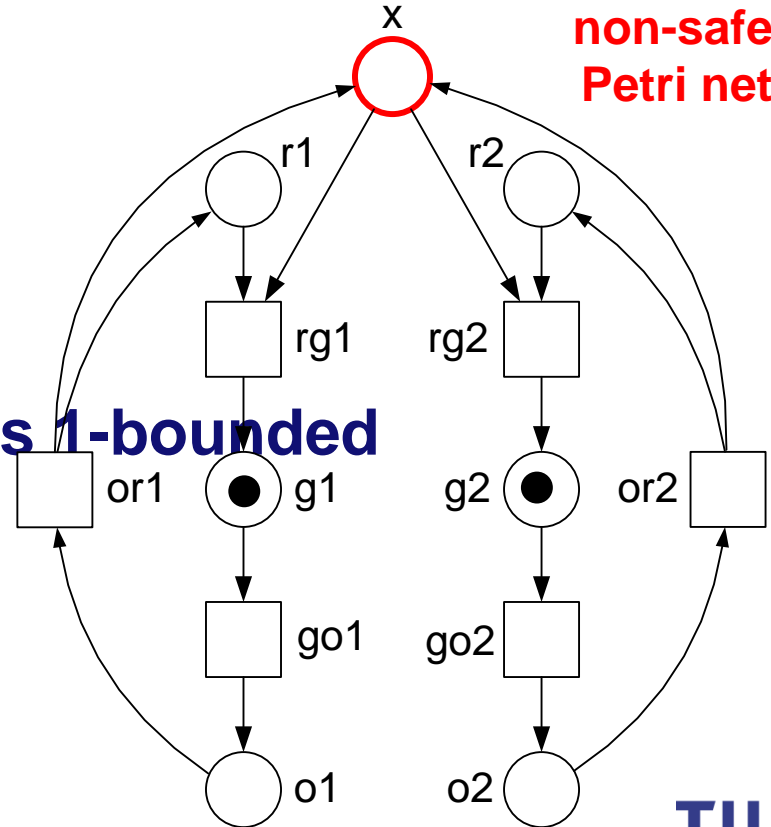
Safeness (= 1-boundedness)

safe
Petri net



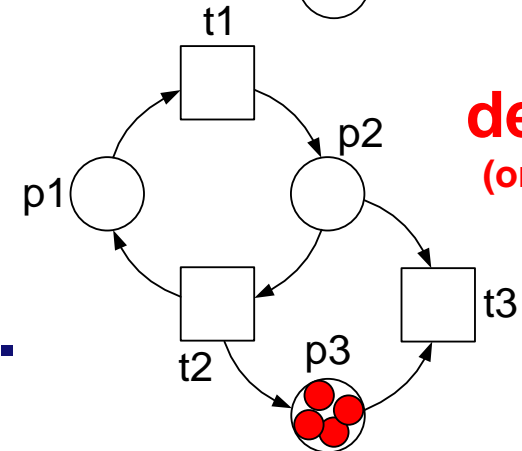
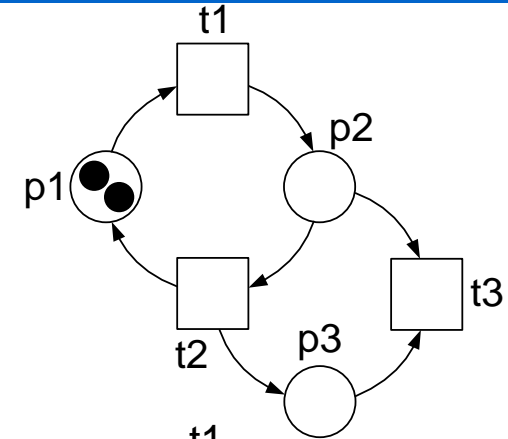
A safe place/Petri net is 1-bounded

non-safe
Petri net



Deadlock

- A marking is **dead** if no transition is enabled in it.
- A Petri net has a potential **deadlock** if there is a reachable dead marking.
- A Petri net is **deadlock-free** if each reachable marking enables at least one transition.

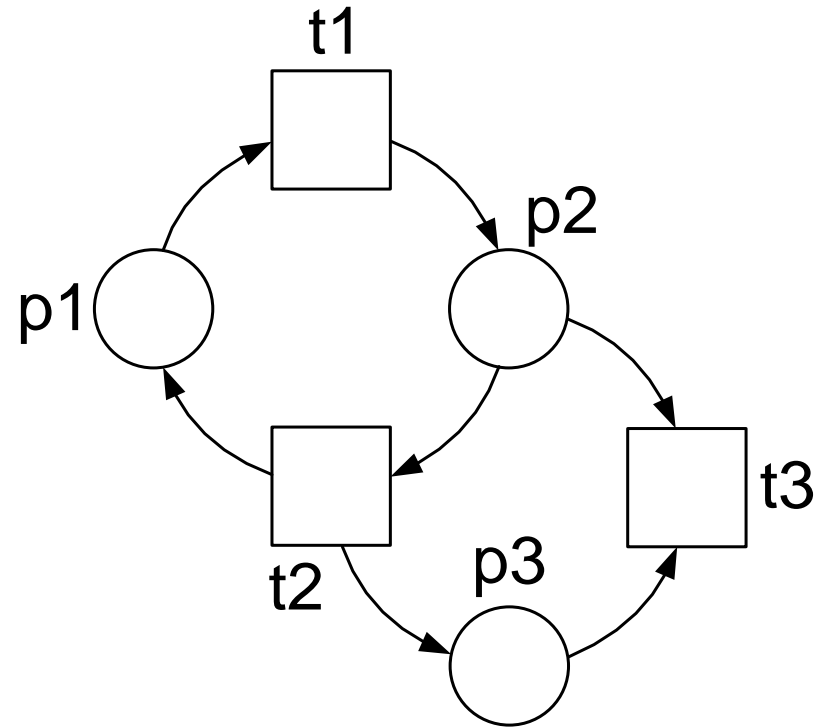


deadlock
(one of many)

Question

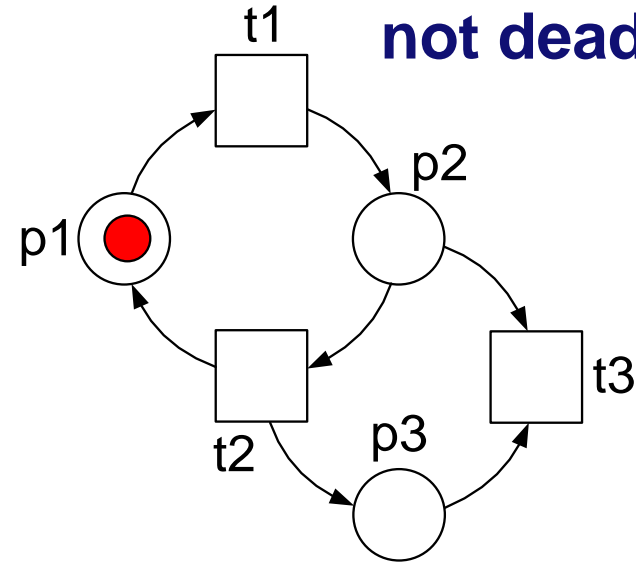
Provide (if possible) an initial making such that

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- **the Petri net is bounded and deadlock-free.**

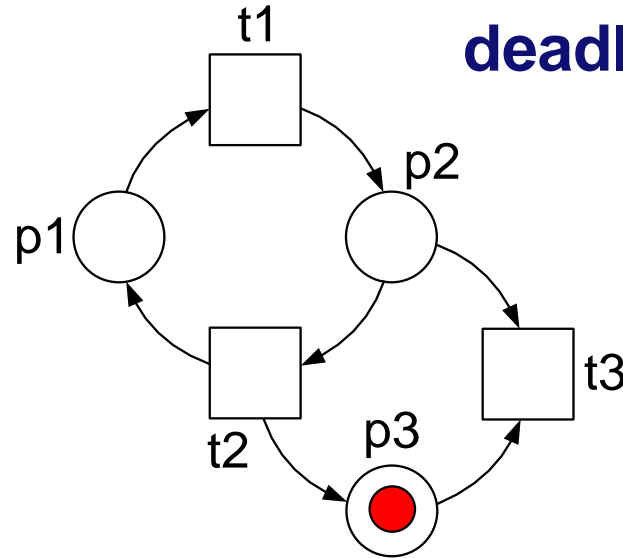


Answer

**unbounded and
not deadlock-free**

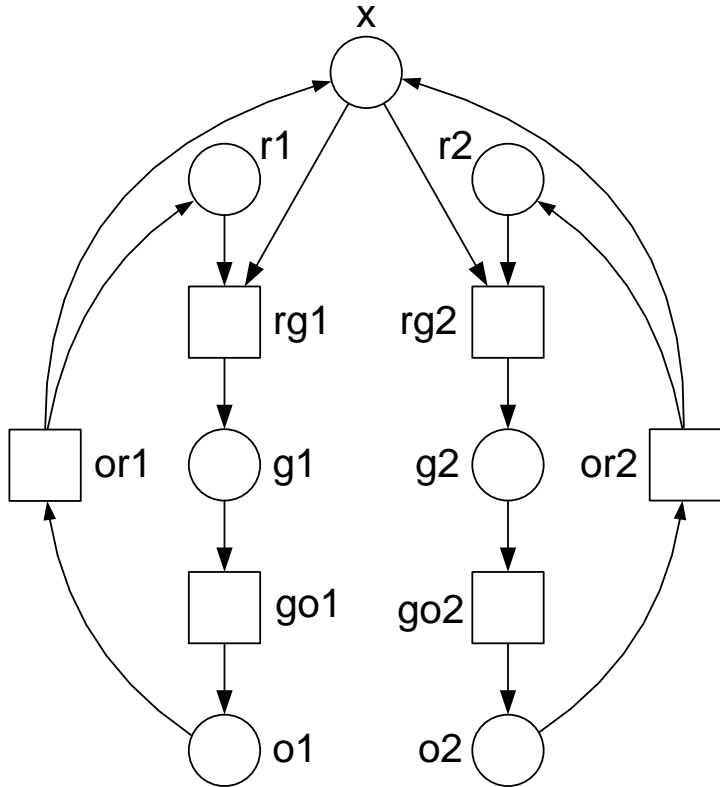


**bounded but not
deadlock-free**



**The net will always have a deadlock
independent of the initial marking!**

Question



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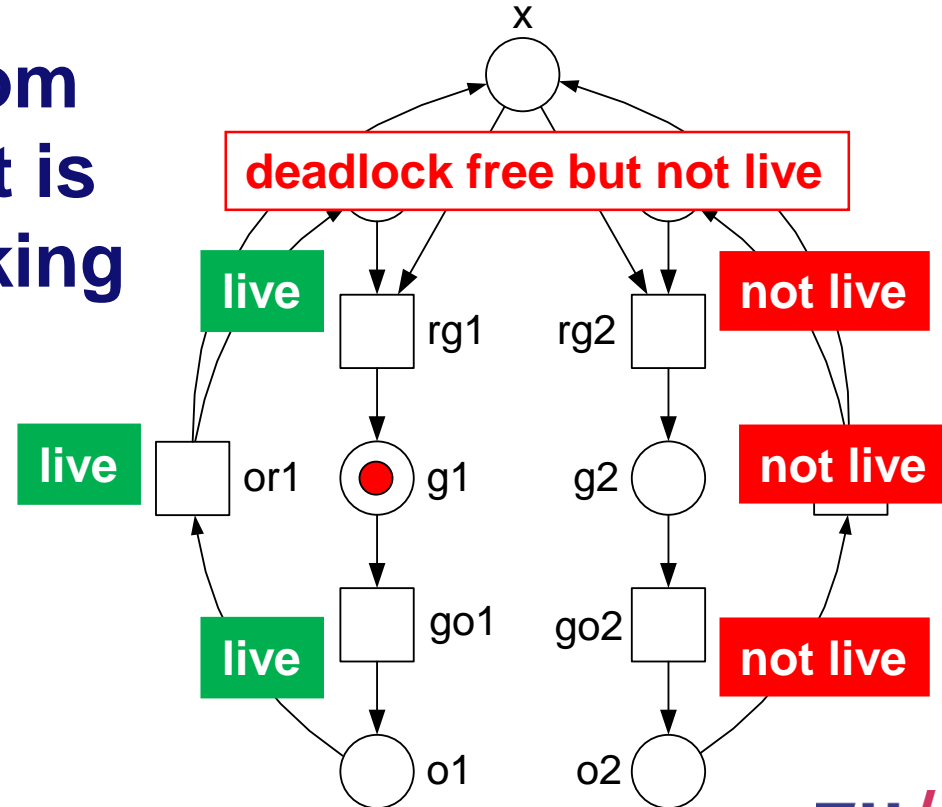
**bounded and
deadlock-free**

**bounded, but not
deadlock-free**

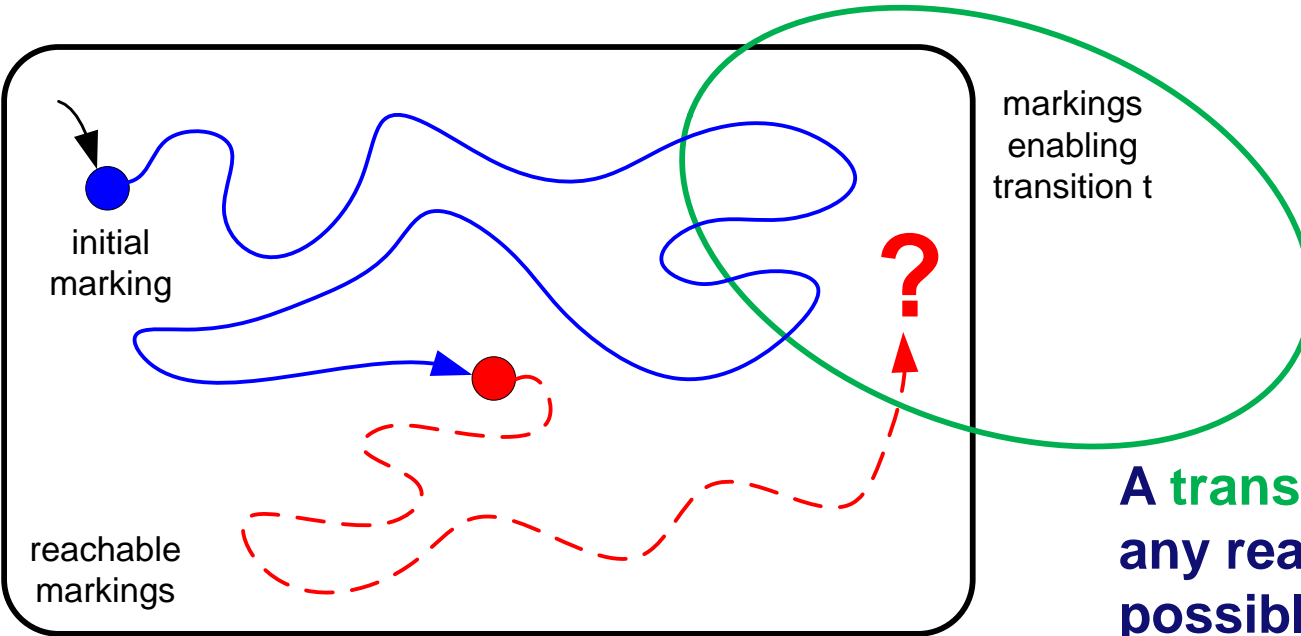
**The net will always be bounded
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Liveness

- A **transition** t is **live** if from any reachable marking it is possible to reach a marking that enables t .
- A **Petri net** is **live** if all transitions are live.
- A Petri net that is live is deadlock-free.



Understanding liveness

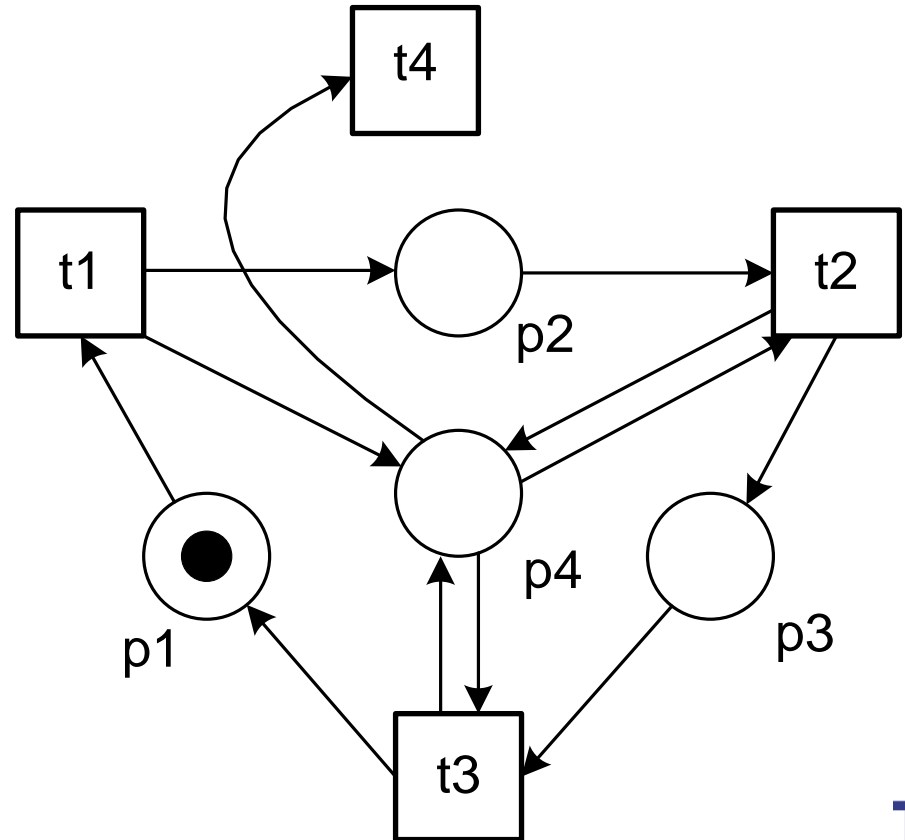


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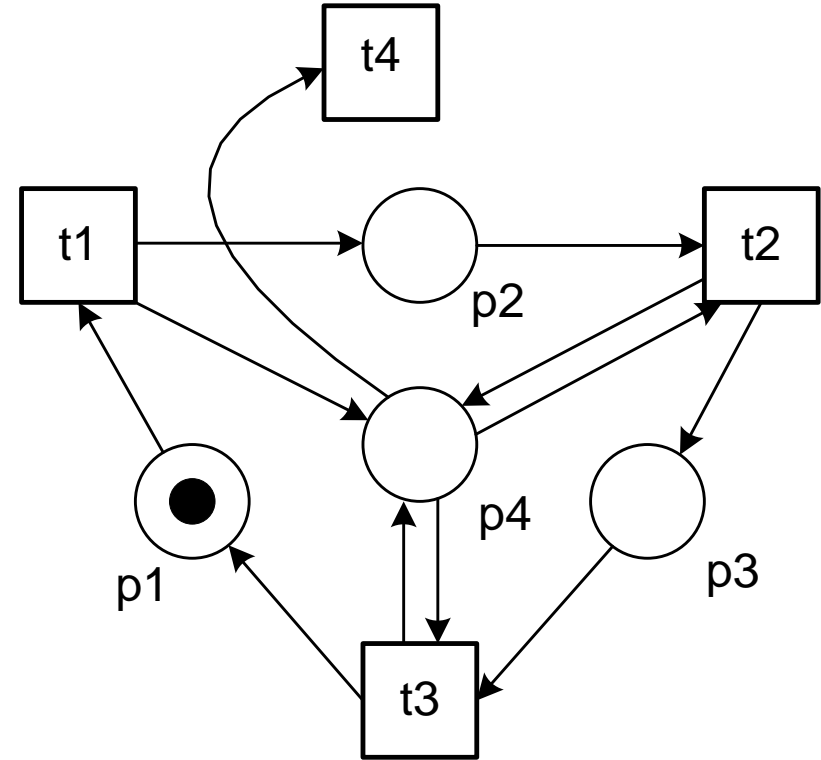
Question

- Is the Petri net bounded?
- Is the Petri net safe?
- Is the Petri net deadlock free?
- Is the Petri net live?



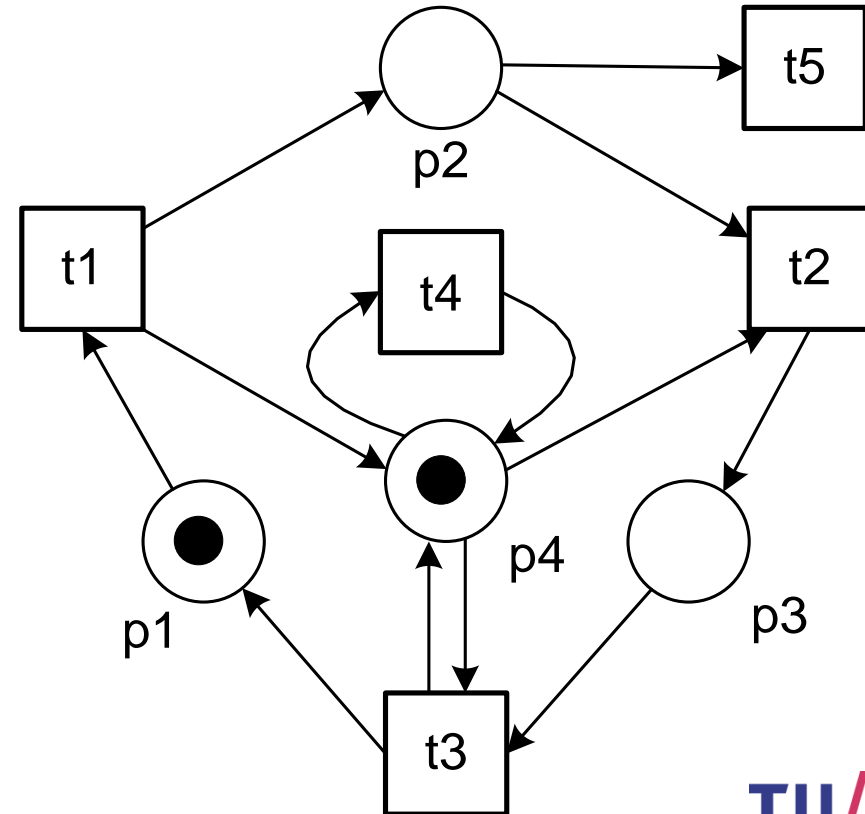
Answer

- The Petri net is **not** bounded because any number of tokens can be put in $p4$.
- Hence, also **not** safe (= 1-bounded).
- The Petri net is **not** deadlock free, e.g., $[p2]$ is reachable.
- Hence, also **not** live.



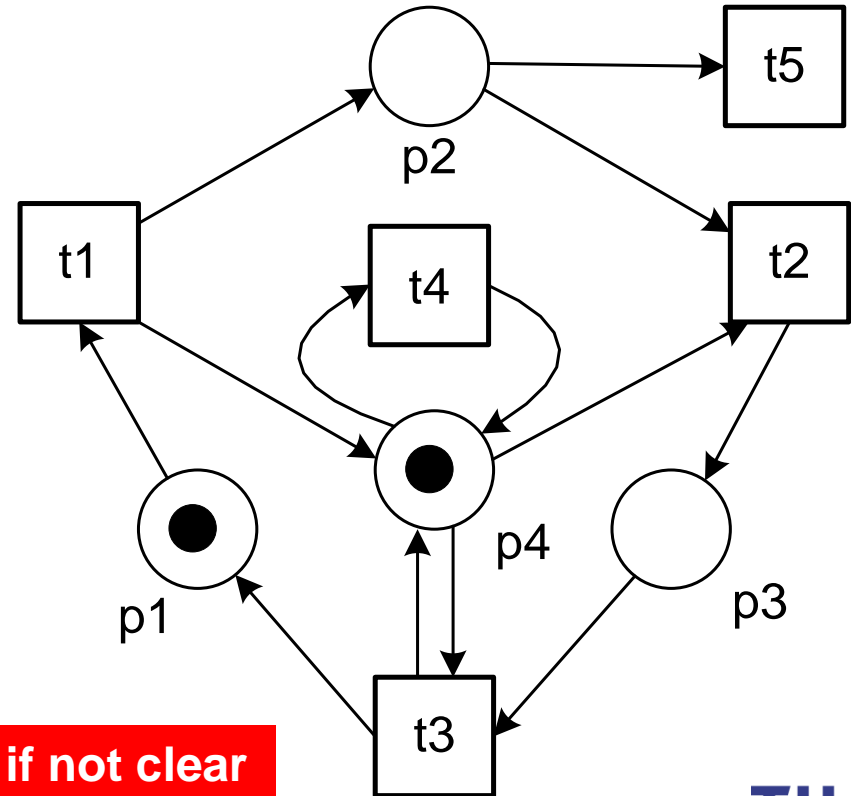
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Answer

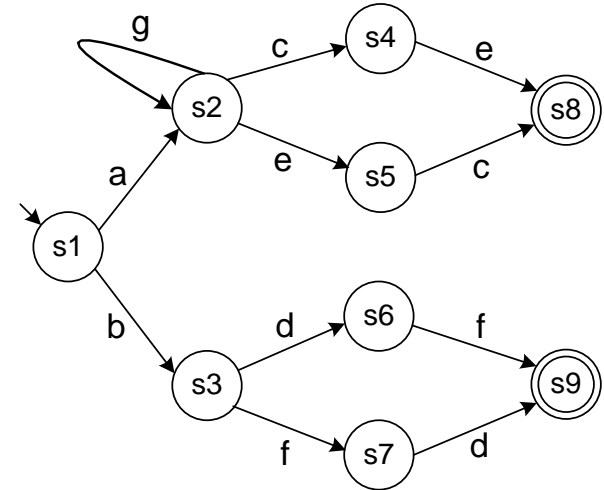
- The Petri net is **bounded**, but **not safe** (p_4 is 2-bounded).
- The Petri net is **deadlock-free**, but **not live** (after firing t_5 only t_4 can fire).



draw reachability graph if not clear

Transition systems

- A reachability graph is a special kind of transition system.
- Firing sequences correspond to paths in the transition system.
- A transition system is composed of **states** and **transitions**.
- There may be 1 or more **initial states** and 0 or more **final states** (more general than Petri nets).

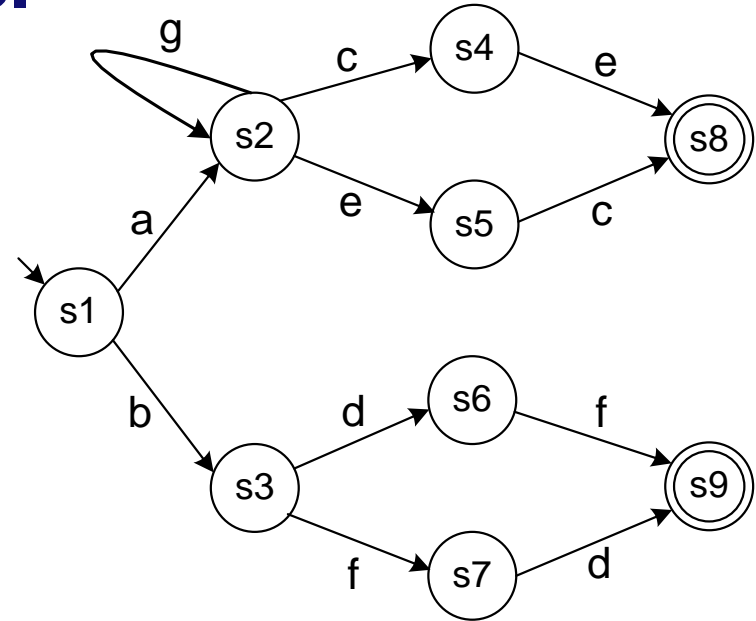


One initial state: s1

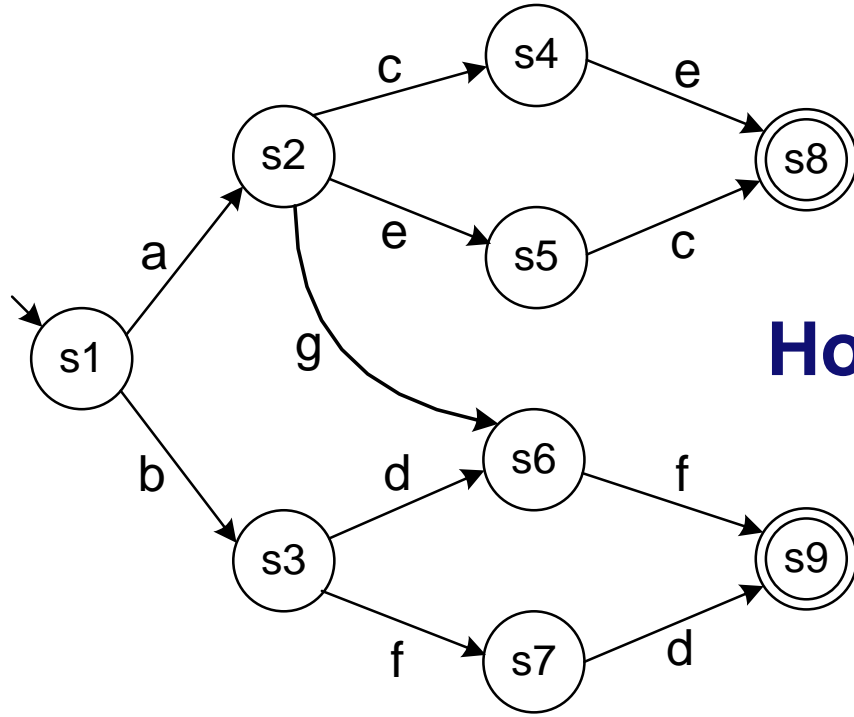
Two final states: s8 and s9

Complete traces

- $\langle a, g, g, c, e \rangle$ is a **complete** trace.
- $\langle b, d, f \rangle$ is a **complete** trace.
- $\langle a, g, g, g, g \rangle$ is an **incomplete** trace.
- $\langle b, f \rangle$ is an **incomplete** trace.
- The transition system has **infinitely** many (in)complete traces.



Question

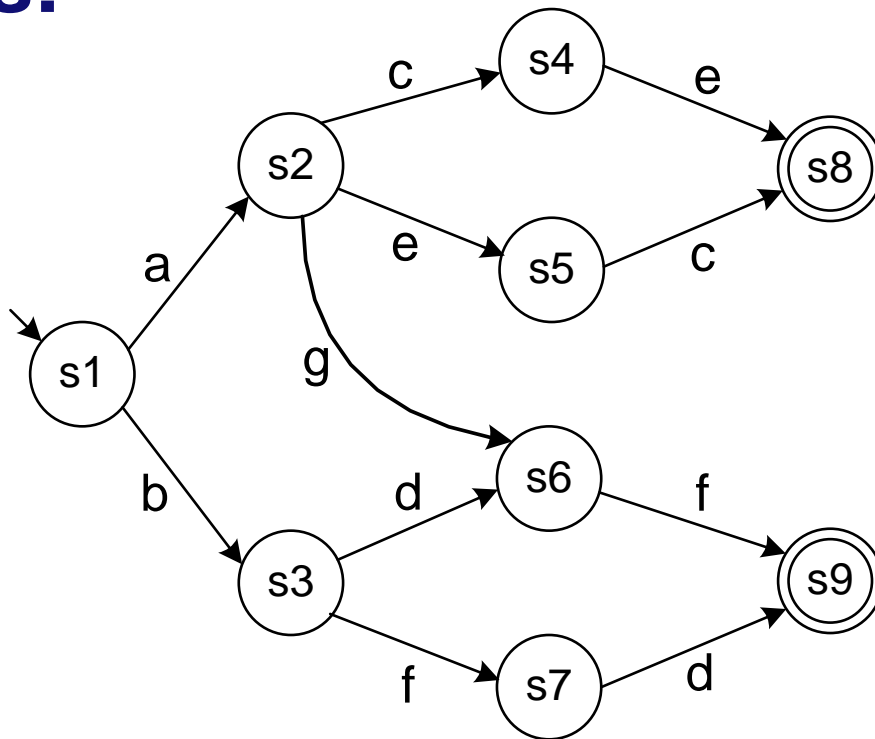


How many complete traces?

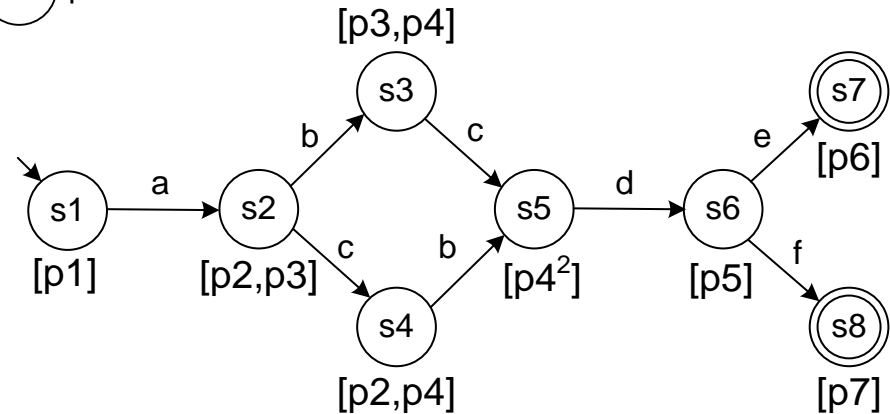
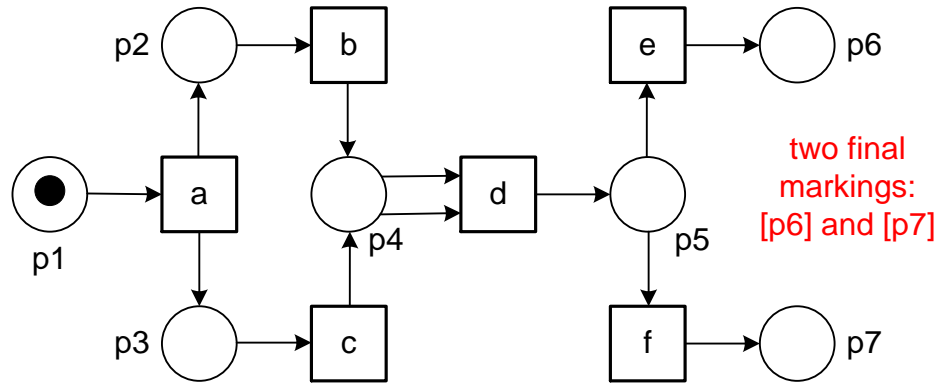
Answer

Five complete traces:

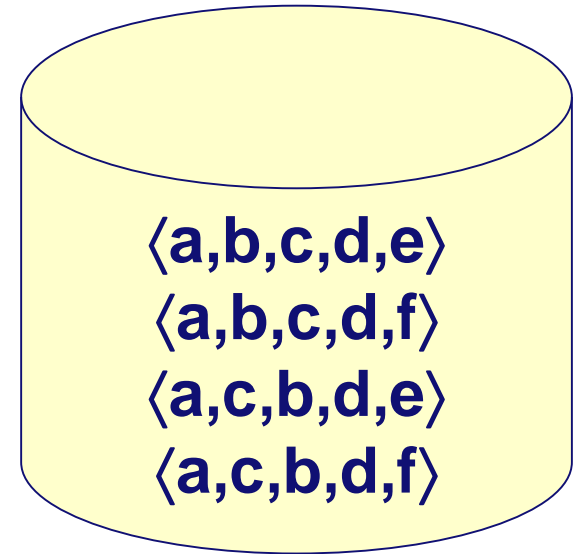
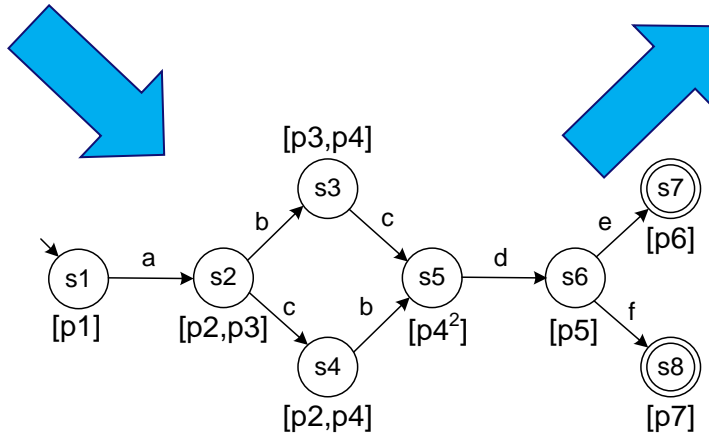
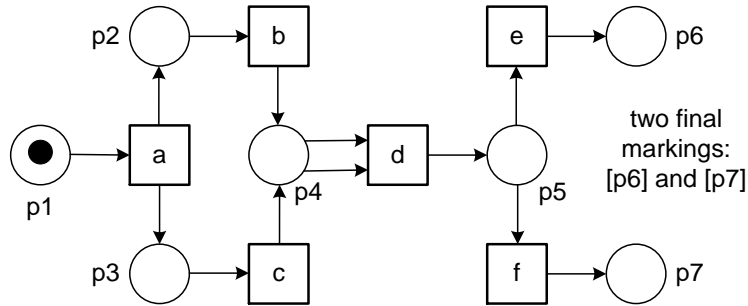
- $\langle a, c, e \rangle$
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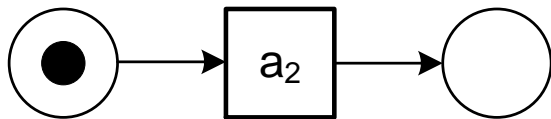
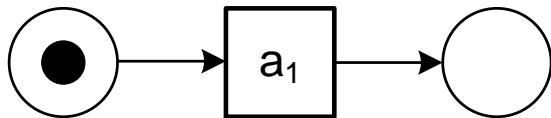
A Petri net may also have a designated set of final markings



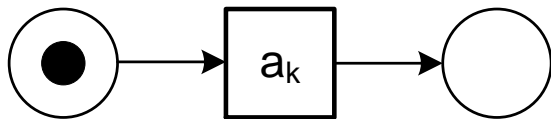
Play-out



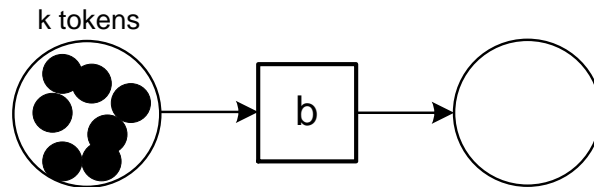
Transition system may be exponential in size of Petri net (or even infinite)



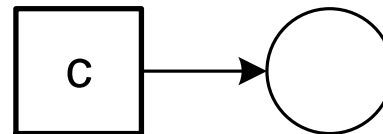
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2^k states



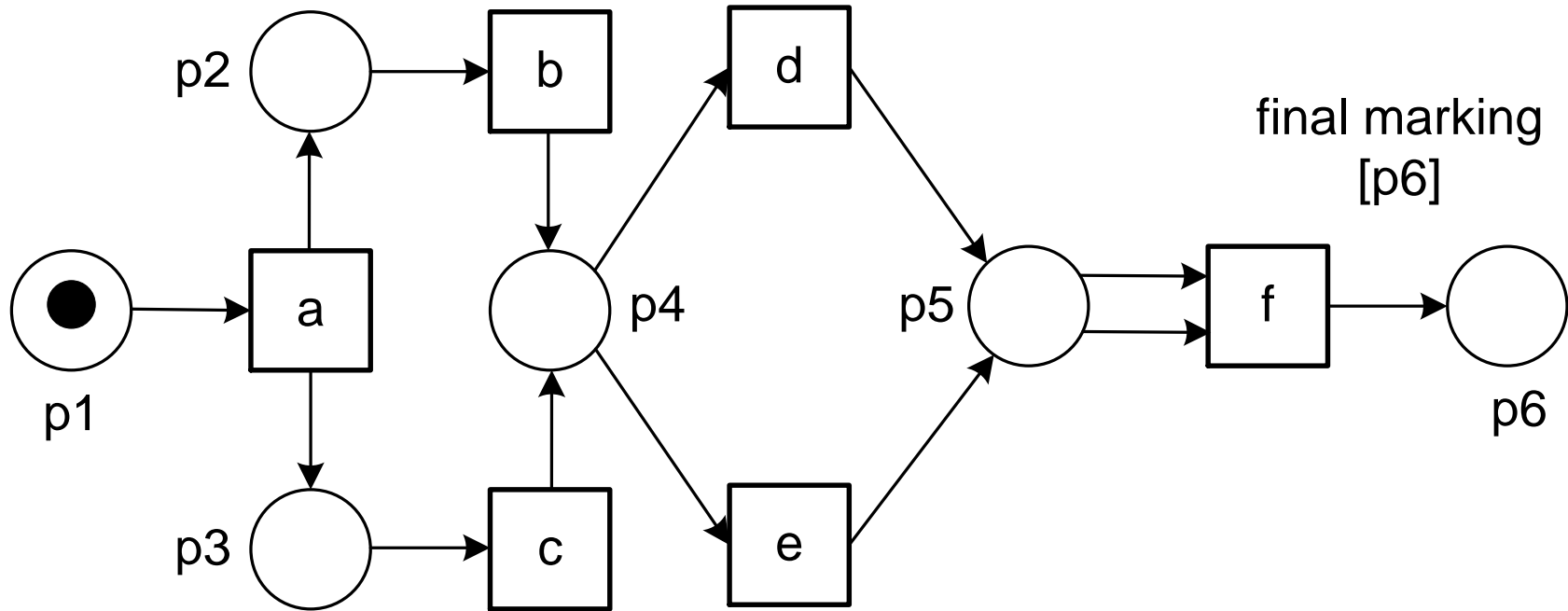
$(k+1)$ states



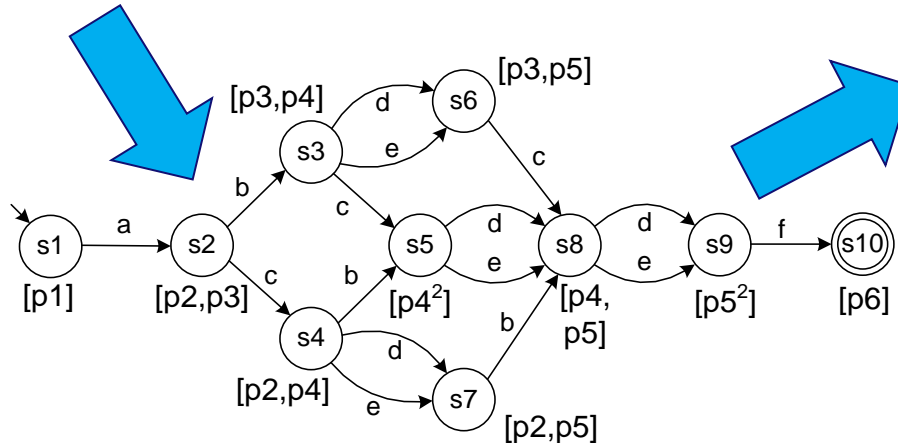
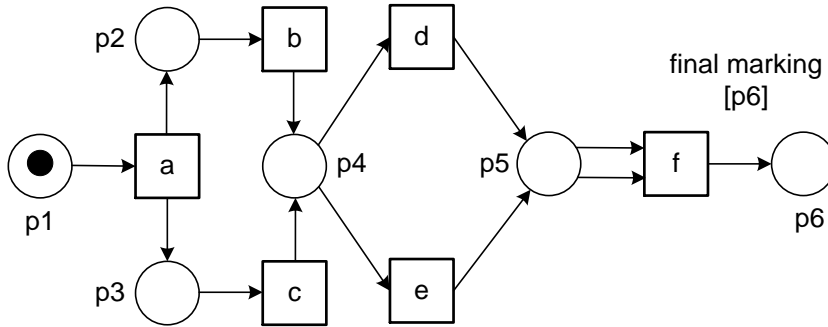
infinitely many states

Play-out model:

Give the transition system and all complete traces that are possible



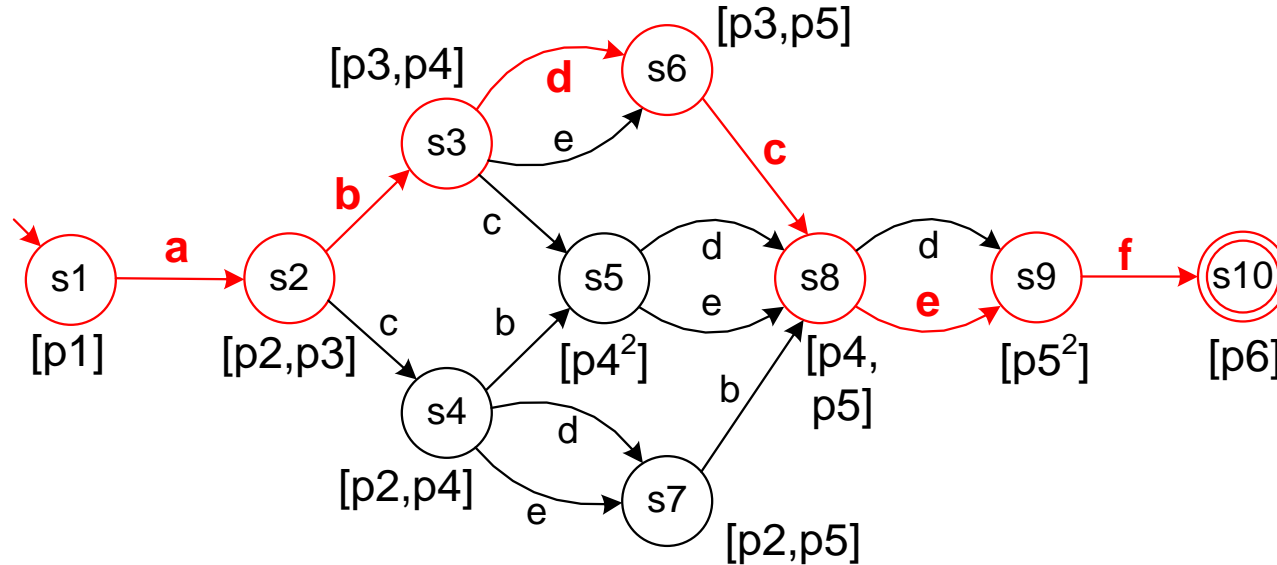
Resulting transition system and set of complete traces



16 possible traces

$\langle a, b, c, d, d, f \rangle$
 $\langle a, b, c, d, e, f \rangle$
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Example path



<a,b,c,d,d,f>
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