

# Assignment 1 Question 12

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- a. Show  $P_2 \approx P_3$ , i.e.,  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  are *bisimilar*.

Clearly,  $p_0 \approx s_0$  as only  $a$  and  $b$  come out of both  $p_0$  and  $s_0$ . After trace  $a$ , in  $P_2$ ,  $p_0$  goes to state  $p_1$ ; in  $P_3$ ,  $s_0$  goes to state  $s_1$ .  $p_1 \approx s_1$  since only  $a$  comes out of both  $p_1$  and  $s_1$ .  $p_2 \approx s_2$  since  $a, b$  and  $c$  can be executed from both states.  $p_3 \approx s_3$  since only  $a$  and  $c$  can come out of both  $p_3$  and  $s_3$ .  $p_4 \approx s_4$  since only  $a$  and  $b$  come out of both  $p_4$  and  $s_4$ .  $p_5 \approx s_5$  since only  $c$  can be executed from both states and both lead back to the starting states.  $p_5 \approx s_6$  since only  $c$  can be executed from both states and both lead back to the starting states as well. Hence  $P_2 \approx P_3$ .

- b. Show that  $P_1 \not\approx P_2$ , i.e.,  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are not *bisimilar*.

Clearly,  $q_0 \approx p_0$  since only transition  $a$  can be executed from both  $q_0$  and  $p_0$ . Then  $q_1 \approx p_1$  since only  $a$  comes out of both  $p_1$  and  $q_1$ . After this trace  $a$ , in  $P_1$ ,  $q_1$  goes to either  $q_2$  or  $q_3$  while  $p_1$  goes to  $p_2$  in  $P_2$ . However,  $q_2 \not\approx p_2$  since at state  $p_2$ ,  $a, b$ , and  $c$  can be executed but from state  $q_2$ , only  $a$  and  $c$  can be executed.  $q_3 \not\approx p_2$  either since only  $a$  and  $b$  can be executed from  $q_3$ . Therefore,  $P_1 \not\approx P_2$ .