

# Formal Proof of Petri Net Refinement using Coq

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# Motivations

- ▶ Petri Nets are a formalism for modeling and validating critical systems: protocols, state systems, ...
- ▶ Refinement techniques to obtain a more concrete specification from an abstract view: to deal with the number of states.
- ▶ To prove formally and **automatically** the refinement relation between two nets: to keep interesting properties.
- ▶ Using formal proofs in the verification domain.
- ▶ First experiment.



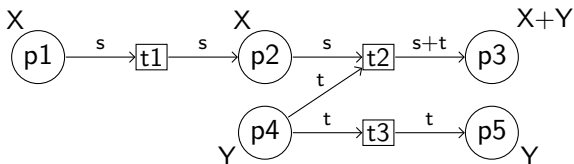
# Definition of Colored Petri Net

Tuple  $N = (P, T, A, C, E, M, Y, M_0)$  where:

1.  $P$  is a set of **places**
2.  $T$  is a set of **transitions**
3.  $A$  is a set of **arcs**
4.  $C$  determines the **colors** of places and transitions
5.  $E$  gives the arc inscriptions
6.  $M$  is the set of markings
7.  $Y$  is the set of steps
8.  $M_0$  is the initial marking



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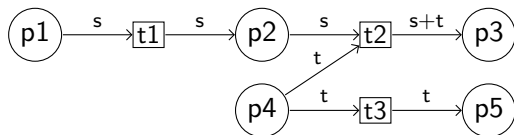
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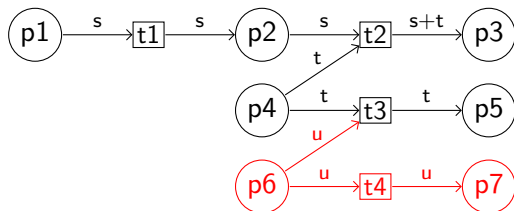


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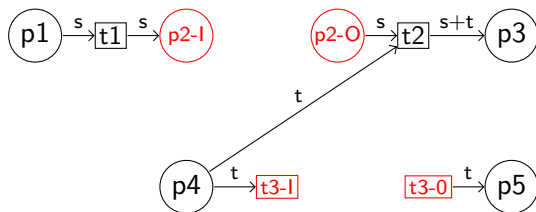
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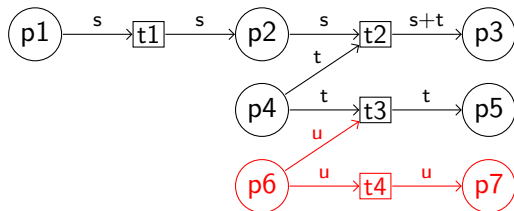


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Definition Ait2p3 := arc_pt Ti2 Pi3 2.
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# Using subnet refinement properties

Lemma subnet\_refined:

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Included places Pi P /\
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(Included (prodT (prodT places transitions) nat) Aipt Apt /\

(forall (pe:places) (te:transitions) (n:nat),
  (In places Pi pe) -> (In transitions T te) ->
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similar for Aitp Atp...



# Manual proof and automation

Simple: unfold, auto with set,...

```
Ltac is_subnet_refinement :=
  try
    match goal with
    | |- ?X1 /\ ?X2 =>
      split;[try (match goal with | |- (Included _ ?X3 ?X4) =>
        unfold X3, X4; auto with sets end) | intros;
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