

Tracking Down the Bad Guys: *Reset* and *Set* Make Feasibility for Flip-Flop Net Derivatives NP-complete

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Boolean Petri nets are differentiated by types of nets τ based on which of the interactions `nop`, `inp`, `out`, `set`, `res`, `swap`, `used`, and `free` they apply or spare. The synthesis problem relative to a specific type of nets τ is to find a boolean τ -net N whose reachability graph is isomorphic to a given transition system A . The corresponding decision version of this search problem is called *feasibility*. Feasibility is known to be polynomial for all types of *flip flop* derivatives defined by $\{\text{nop, swap}\} \cup \omega$, $\omega \subseteq \{\text{inp, out, used, free}\}$. In this paper, we replace `inp, out` by `res, set` and show that feasibility becomes NP-complete for $\{\text{nop, swap}\} \cup \omega$ if $\omega \subseteq \{\text{res, set, used, free}\}$ such that $\omega \cap \{\text{set, res}\} \neq \emptyset$ and $\omega \cap \{\text{used, free}\} \neq \emptyset$. The reduction guarantees a low degree for A 's states and, thus, preserves hardness of feasibility even for considerable input restrictions.

1 Introduction

Boolean Petri nets have been widely regarded as a fundamental model for concurrent systems. These Petri nets allow at most one token per place in every reachable marking. Accordingly, a place p can be regarded as a boolean condition which is *true* if p contains a token and is *false* if p is empty, respectively. A place p and a transition t of a boolean Petri net are set in relation by one of the following (boolean) *interactions*: *no operation* (`nop`), *input* (`inp`), *output* (`out`), *set*, *reset* (`res`), *inverting* (`swap`), *test if true* (`used`), and *test if false* (`free`). An interaction defines which pre-condition p has to satisfy to activate t and it determines p 's post-condition after t has fired: `inp` (`out`) mean that p has to be *true* (*false*) to allow t 's firing and if t fires then p become *false* (*true*). The interaction `free` (`used`) says that if t is activated then p is *false* (*true*) and t 's firing has no impact on p . The other interactions `nop`, `set`, `res`, `swap` are pre-condition free, that is, neither *true* nor *false* prevent t 's firing. Moreover, `nop` means that the firing of t has no impact and leaves p 's boolean value unchanged. By `res` (`set`), t 's firing determine p to be *false* (*true*). Finally, `swap` says that if t fires then it inverts p 's boolean value.

Boolean Petri nets are differentiated by types of nets τ accordingly to the boolean interactions they allow. Since we have eight interactions to choose from, this results in a total of 256 different types. So far research has explicitly defined seven of them: *Elementary net systems* $\{\text{nop, inp, out}\}$ [9], *Contextual nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, out, used, free}\}$ [6], *event/condition nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, out, used}\}$ [2], *inhibitor nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, out, free}\}$ [8], *set nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, set, used}\}$ [5], *trace nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, out, set, res, used, free}\}$ [3], and *flip flop nets* $\{\text{nop, inp, out, swap}\}$ [10].

Boolean net synthesis relative to a specific type of nets τ is the challenge to find for a given transition system A (TSs, for short) a boolean τ -net N whose reachability graph is isomorphic to A . The corresponding decision version, called τ -*feasibility*, asks if for a given TS A a searched τ -net exists. This paper investigates the computational complexity of feasibility depending on

	Type of net τ	Complexity status	#
1	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{inp}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	polynomial time	8
2	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{out}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	polynomial time	8
3	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{inp}, \text{out}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	polynomial time	16
4	$\tau = \{\text{nop}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$	polynomial time	4
5	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{free}\}$ or $\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	2
6	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{out}, \text{used}\}$ or $\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{out}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	2
7	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{res}\} \cup \omega, \emptyset \neq \omega \subseteq \{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	3
8	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{out}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	4
9	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{res}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	4
10	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{out}, \text{set}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	4
11	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{set}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{out}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	24+8
12	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{out}, \text{res}\} \cup \omega, \omega \subseteq \{\text{inp}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	24+8
13	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{free}\}, \tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{used}\}$	NP-complete	2
14	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{used}\}, \tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{free}\}$	NP-complete	2
15	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{free}, \text{used}\}, \tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{free}, \text{used}\}$	NP-complete	2
16	$\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{res}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega, \emptyset \neq \omega \subseteq \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$	NP-complete	3

Figure 1: Summary of the complexity results for boolean net synthesis. (1-7): Results of [13] reestablishing the result for flip flop nets [10]. (8-12): Results of [14] reestablishing the result for elementary net systems [1]. The rows 11 and 12 intersect in eight supersets of $\{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{out}, \text{set}, \text{res}\}$. (13-16): Results of this paper. Notice that isomorphic types occur in the same row. Altogether, this paper discovers 9 *new* types with an NP-hard synthesis problem.

the target type of nets τ . The complexity of τ -feasibility has originally been investigated for elementary net systems [1], where it is NP-complete to decide if general TSs can be synthesized. In [11, 15] this has been confirmed even for considerably restricted input TSs. Further boolean net types have been investigated in [13, 14], cf. Table 1.

In particular, feasibility is NP-complete for the seven types of nets $\{\text{nop}, \text{inp}, \text{free}\}$ with optional *used* and $\{\text{nop}, \text{out}, \text{used}\}$ with optional *free* and $\{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{res}\}$ extended with at least one of *used* and *free* [13], cf. Table 1 (5-7).

On the contrary, [10] shows that feasibility for flip flop nets, which simply extend elementary net systems by the *swap* interaction, is decidable in polynomial time. Moreover, *swap* preserves tractability of feasibility for all boolean types which includes *nop* but excludes *res* and *set*, cf. Table 1 (3). In view of these results, we are interested in the interactions that cause the difference between tractability and intractability of feasibility for boolean Petri nets. In this paper, we investigate the situation where $\{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega$ is extended by a subset $\omega \subseteq \{\text{res}, \text{set}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$ such that:

1. The resulting type has not been investigated in [13], cf. Table 1 (3), that is, $\omega \cap \{\text{res}, \text{set}\} \neq \emptyset$.
2. The resulting type contains at least one interaction which does not allow unconditioned firing, that is, $\omega \cap \{\text{used}, \text{free}\} \neq \emptyset$.

Note that $\{\text{res}, \text{set}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$ and $\{\text{inp}, \text{out}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$ only differ in the replacement of *inp*, *out* by *res*, *set*. However, in this paper, we show that feasibility becomes difficult for the 9 extensions of $\{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\}$ by at least one interaction from both, $\{\text{set}, \text{res}\}$ and $\{\text{used}, \text{free}\}$. For one thing, as

feasibility for $\{\text{nop, swap}\} \cup \omega$, $\omega \subseteq \{\text{inp, out, used, free}\}$, is doable in polynomial time [10, 13], our result exhibits that `res` and `set` are the *bad guys* which make the decision problem computationally complex. For another thing, it shows that in this context the interactions `res` and `set` are strictly more powerful than `inp` and `out` as their takeover allow to encode NP-complete problems.

Our result is robust with respect to considerable input restrictions. In particular, we introduce *grade* as a parameter of TSs as it has been done in [11, 14, 15]. In a g -grade TS the number of outgoing and incoming transitions, respectively, is limited by g for every state. This is a very natural parameter as most parts of real world TSs are often heavily restricted with respect to their grade. According to [4], benchmarks in digital hardware design, for instance, often show TSs with few choices, that is, with a low grade. Nevertheless, our method demonstrates that restricting the input to TSs with small grade has little influence on the complexity of feasibility for all 9 covered net types. In particular, we show that feasibility for net type extensions of $\{\text{nop, swap}\}$ by at least one from both $\{\text{set, res}\}$ and $\{\text{used, free}\}$ remains NP-complete if only g -grade TSs are considered for any $g \geq 2$.

To simplify our argumentation we detach our notions from Petri nets and focus on TSs. For this purpose, we use the well known equality between feasibility and the conjunction of the so called state separation property (SSP) and the event state separation property (ESSP) [2], which are solely defined on the input TSs. The presented polynomial time reduction translates the NP-complete cubic monotone one-in-three 3-SAT problem [7] into the ESSP of the considered 9 boolean net types. As we also make sure that given boolean expressions φ are transformed to TSs $A(\varphi)$ where the ESSP relative to the considered type implies the SSP, we always show the NP-completeness of the ESSP and feasibility at the same time. Instead of 9 individual proofs, our approach covers all cases by just two reductions following a common pattern.

2 Preliminary Notions

This section provides short formal definitions of all preliminary notions used in the paper. A *transition system* (TS, for short) $A = (S, E, \delta)$ is a directed labeled graph with nodes S , events E and partial transition function $\delta : S \times E \rightarrow S$, where $\delta(s, e) = s'$ is interpreted as $s \xrightarrow{e} s'$. By $s \xleftarrow{e} s'$ we denote the fact that $s \xrightarrow{e} s'$ and $s' \xrightarrow{e} s$ are present. An event e *occurs* at a state s , denoted by $s \xrightarrow{e}$, if $\delta(s, e)$ is defined. An *initialized* TS $A = (S, E, \delta, s_0)$ is a TS with a distinct state $s_0 \in S$. TSs in this paper are *deterministic* by design as their state transition behavior is given by a (partial) function. Initialized TSs are also required to make every state *reachable* from s_0 by a directed path.

x	<code>nop</code> (x)	<code>inp</code> (x)	<code>out</code> (x)	<code>set</code> (x)	<code>res</code> (x)	<code>swap</code> (x)	<code>used</code> (x)	<code>free</code> (x)
0	0		1	1	0	1		0
1	1	0		1	0	0	1	

Figure 2: All interactions in I . An empty cell means that the column's function is undefined on the respective x . The entirely undefined function is missing in I .

A (boolean) *type of nets* $\tau = (\{0, 1\}, E_\tau, \delta_\tau)$ is a TS such that E_τ is a subset of the boolean interactions: $E_\tau \subseteq I = \{\text{nop, inp, out, set, res, swap, used, free}\}$. The interactions $i \in I$ are binary partial functions $i : \{0, 1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ as defined in the listing of Figure 2. For all $x \in \{0, 1\}$ and all $i \in E_\tau$ the transition function of τ is defined by $\delta_\tau(x, i) = i(x)$. Notice that I contains all

possible binary partial functions $\{0,1\} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ except for the entirely undefined function \perp . Even if a type τ includes \perp , this event can never occur, so it would be useless. Thus, I is complete for deterministic boolean types of nets, and that means there are a total of 256 of them. By definition, a (boolean) type τ is completely determined by its event set E_τ . Hence, in the following we will identify τ with E_τ , cf. Figure 3.

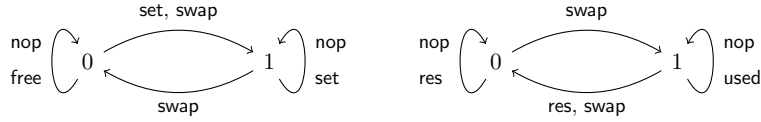


Figure 3: Left: $\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{free}\}$. Right: $\tilde{\tau} = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{used}\}$. τ and $\tilde{\tau}$ are isomorphic. The isomorphism $\phi : \tau \rightarrow \tilde{\tau}$ is given by $\phi(s) = 1 - s$ for $s \in \{0,1\}$, $\phi(i) = i$ for $i \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\}$, $\phi(\text{res}) = \text{set}$ and $\phi(\text{free}) = \text{used}$.

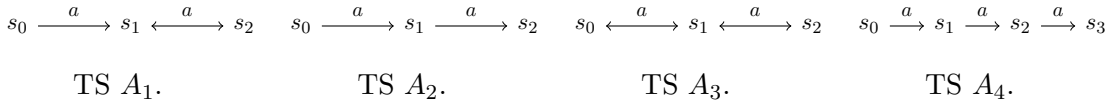


Figure 4: Let $\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{free}\}$. The TSs A_1, \dots, A_4 give examples for the presence and absence of the τ -(E)SSP, respectively: TS A_1 has the τ -ESSP as a occurs at every state. It has also the τ -SSP: The region $R = (\text{sup}, \text{sig})$ where $\text{sup}(s_0) = \text{sup}(s_2) = 1$, $\text{sup}(s_1) = 0$ and $\text{sig}(a) = \text{swap}$ separates the pairs s_0, s_1 and s_2, s_1 . Moreover, the region $R' = (\text{sup}', \text{sig}')$ where $\text{sup}'(s_0) = 0$ and $\text{sup}'(s_1) = \text{sup}'(s_2) = 1$ and $\text{sig}'(a) = \text{set}$ separates s_0 and s_1 . Notice that R and R' can be translated into $\tilde{\tau}$ -regions, where $\tilde{\tau} = \{\text{nop}, \text{res}, \text{swap}, \text{used}\}$, via the isomorphism of Figure 3. For example, if $s \in S(A_1)$ and $e \in E(A_1)$ and $\text{sup}''(s) = \phi(\text{sup}(s))$ and $\text{sig}''(e) = \phi(\text{sig}(e))$ then the resulting $\tilde{\tau}$ -region $R'' = (\text{sup}'', \text{sig}'')$ separates s_0, s_1 and s_2, s_1 . Thus, A_1 is also $\tilde{\tau}$ -feasible. The other TSs are not τ -feasible: TS A_2 has the τ -SSP but not the τ -ESSP as event a is not inhibitable at the state s_2 . TS A_3 has the τ -ESSP (a occurs at every state) but not the τ -SSP as s_1 and s_2 are not separable. TS A_4 has neither the τ -ESSP nor the τ -SSP.

A boolean Petri net $N = (P, T, M_0, f)$ of type τ (τ -net, for short) is given by finite and disjoint sets P of places and T of transitions, an initial marking $M_0 : P \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ and a (total) flow function $f : P \times T \rightarrow \tau$. The meaning of a boolean net is to realize a certain behavior by firing sequences of transitions. In particular, a transition $t \in T$ can fire in a marking $M : P \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ if $\delta_\tau(M(p), f(p, t))$ is defined for all $p \in P$. By firing, t produces the next marking $M' : P \rightarrow \{0,1\}$ where $M'(p) = \delta_\tau(M(p), f(p, t))$ for all $p \in P$. This is denoted by $M \xrightarrow{t} M'$. Given a τ -net $N = (P, T, M_0, f)$, its behavior is captured by a transition system $A(N)$, called the *reachability graph* of N . The state set of $A(N)$ consists of all markings that, starting from initial state M_0 , can be reached by firing a sequence of transitions. For every reachable marking M and transition $t \in T$ with $M \xrightarrow{t} M'$ the state transition function δ of A is defined as $\delta(M, t) = M'$.

Boolean net synthesis for a type τ is going backwards from input TS $A = (S, E, \delta, s_0)$ to the computation of a τ -net N with $A(N)$ isomorphic to A , if such a net exists. In contrast to $A(N)$, the abstract states S of A miss any information about markings they stand for. Accordingly, the events E are an abstraction of N 's transitions T as they relate to state changes only globally without giving the information about the local changes to places. After all, the transition

function $\delta : S \times E \rightarrow S$ still tells us how states are affected by events.

In this paper, we investigate the computational complexity of the corresponding decision version: τ -feasibility is the problem to decide the existence of a τ -net N with $A(N)$ isomorphic to the given TS A . To describe τ -feasibility without referencing the searched τ -net N , in the sequel, we introduce the τ -state separation property (τ -SSP, for short) and the τ -event state separation property (τ -ESSP, for short) for TSs. In conjunction, they are equivalent to τ -feasibility. The following notion of τ -regions allows us to define the announced properties, cf. Figure 4.

A (boolean) τ -region of a TS $A = (S, E, \delta, s_0)$ is a pair (sup, sig) of support $sup : S \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ and signature $sig : E \rightarrow \tau$ where every transition $s \xrightarrow{e} s'$ of A leads to a transition $sup(s) \xrightarrow{sig(e)} sup(s')$ of τ . While a region divides S into the two sets $sup^{-1}(b) = \{s \in S \mid sup(s) = b\}$ for $b \in \{0, 1\}$, the events are cumulated by $sig^{-1}(i) = \{e \in E \mid sig(e) = i\}$ for all available interactions $i \in \tau$. We also use $sig^{-1}(\tau') = \{e \in E \mid sig(e) \in \tau'\}$ for $\tau' \subseteq \tau$.

For a TS $A = (S, E, \delta, s_0)$ and a type of nets τ , a pair of states $s \neq s' \in S$ is τ -separable if there is a τ -region (sup, sig) such that $sup(s) \neq sup(s')$. Accordingly, A has the τ -SSP if all pairs of distinct states of A are τ -separable. Secondly, an event $e \in E$ is called τ -inhibitible at a state $s \in S$ if there is a τ -region (sup, sig) where $sup(s) \xrightarrow{sig(e)}$ does not hold, that is, the interaction $sig(e) \in \tau$ is not defined on input $sup(s) \in \{0, 1\}$. A has the τ -ESSP if for all states $s \in S$ it is true that all events $e \in E$ that do not occur at s , meaning $\neg s \xrightarrow{e}$, are τ -inhibitible at s . It is well known from [2] that a TS A is τ -feasible, that is, there exists a τ -net N with $A(N)$ isomorphic to A , if and only if A has τ -SSP and the τ -ESSP. Types of nets τ and $\tilde{\tau}$ have an isomorphism ϕ if $s \xrightarrow{i} s'$ is a transition in τ if and only if $\phi(s) \xrightarrow{\phi(i)} \phi(s')$ is one in $\tilde{\tau}$. By the following lemma, we benefit from the eight isomorphisms that map nop to nop, swap to swap, inp to out, set to res, used to free, and vice versa, cf. Figure 4:

Lemma 1 (Without proof). *If τ and $\tilde{\tau}$ are isomorphic types of nets then a TS A has the τ -(E)SSP if and only if it has the $\tilde{\tau}$ -(E)SSP.*

3 Our Contribution

The following theorem states our main result and covers 9 new boolean types of nets, cf. Table 1:

Theorem 1. *Let $\tau_1 = \{nop, set, swap\}$ and $\tilde{\tau}_1 = \{nop, res, swap\}$. Deciding τ -feasibility for g -grade transition systems is NP-complete if $\tau = \tau' \cup \omega$ for $\tau' \in \{\tau_1, \tilde{\tau}_1, \tau_1 \cup \tilde{\tau}_1\}$ with non empty $\omega \subseteq \{used, free\}$ and $g \geq 2$.*

On the one hand, it is straight forward that τ -feasibility is a member of NP for all considered type of nets τ : In a non-deterministic computation, one can simply guess and check in polynomial time for all pairs s, s' of states, respectively for all required pairs s, e of state and event, the region that separates s and s' , respectively inhibits e at s , or refuse the input if such a region does not exist.

On the other hand, it is probably impossible to show hardness in NP for all considered types τ with the same reduction. Here, we manage to boil it down to two reductions using the NP-complete cubic monotone one-in-three-3-SAT problem [7]. While we start for both reductions from a common principle, the first peculiarity (reduction) of this principle is dedicated to the type of σ_1 and the second to the types of σ_2 :

$$\sigma_1 = \{\{nop, set, swap, free\}\}, \quad \sigma_2 = \{\{nop, set, swap, used\} \cup \omega \mid \omega \subseteq \{res, free\}\}$$

Every remaining type τ' that is also covered by Theorem 1 is a member of the following set $\bar{\sigma}$:

$$\bar{\sigma} = \{\{\text{nop, res, swap}\} \cup \omega \mid \emptyset \neq \omega \subseteq \{\text{free, used}\}\} \cup \{\{\text{nop, set, res, swap, free}\}\}$$

For every $\tau' \in \bar{\sigma}$ there is a type $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$ such that $\tau \cong \tau'$, cf. Table 1. Thus, by Lemma 1, the NP-completeness of τ -feasibility for all $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$ implies the NP-completeness of τ' -feasibility for $\tau' \in \bar{\sigma}$ and, consequently, proves our main result.

In accordance to the just introduced approach, in the remainder of this paper we deal only with the types τ covered by σ_1 and σ_2 . This allows us to present τ -regions in a compressed way, which is subject of the following section.

3.1 Presenting Regions

In this section, we introduce for $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$ a concept to present a τ -region (sup, sig) of a TS A simply by its support sup . This concept is tailored to the types and TSs that concern our reductions. More exactly, by a little abuse of notation, we identify the support sup with the set of states $sup \subseteq S(A)$ which it maps to one: $sup = \{s \in S(A) \mid sup(s) = 1\}$. Moreover, every presented support sup allows a signature sig that gets along with the interactions $\text{nop, set, swap, free}$ if $\tau \in \sigma_1$ and $\text{nop, set, swap, used}$ if $\tau \in \sigma_2$ (the interactions which are shared by all types of σ_2). In particular, the support allows the signature sig which is for all $e \in E(A)$ defined as follows:

$$sig(e) = \begin{cases} \text{free} & \text{if } \tau \in \sigma_1 \text{ and } sup(s) = sup(s') = 0 \text{ for all } s \xrightarrow{e} s' \in A \\ \text{used} & \text{if } \tau \in \sigma_2 \text{ and } sup(s) = sup(s') = 1 \text{ for all } s \xrightarrow{e} s' \in A \\ \text{set,} & \text{if } s \xrightarrow{e} s' \xleftarrow{e} s'' \in A \text{ such that } sup(s) = 0 \text{ and } sup(s') = sup(s'') = 1 \text{ (*)} \\ \text{swap,} & \text{if } s \xrightarrow{e} s' \in A \text{ and } sup(s) \neq sup(s') \text{ and (*) is not true} \\ \text{nop,} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We emphasize again that in accordance to this concept the signature only depends on the given support sup and the set $\sigma \in \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\}$. Therefore, for the sake of simplicity, in the sequel we often refer to a given support sup as to the region (sup, sig) which it allows and, e.g., say sup inhibits e at s instead of (sup, sig) inhibits e at s .

Example 1. *The region R of TS A_1 that is given in Figure 4 is defined by $sup = \{s_0, s_2\}$. Similarly, the region R' is defined by $sup' = \{s_1, s_2\}$. Finally, the support $sup''' = \emptyset$ defines a region of R''' of A_1 where $sig'''(a) = \text{free}$.*

Before we can set out the details of our reductions, the following subsection introduces our way of easily generating and combining gadget TSs for our NP-completeness proofs.

3.2 Unions of Transition Systems

If $A_0 = (S_0, E_0, \delta_0, s_0^0), \dots, A_n = (S_n, E_n, \delta_n, s_n^0)$ are TSs with pairwise disjoint states (but not necessarily disjoint events) we say that $U(A_0, \dots, A_n)$ is their *union*. If U contains only g -grade TSs for some $g \in \mathbb{N}$ then we say U is g -grade. By $S(U)$, we denote the entirety of all states in A_0, \dots, A_n and $E(U)$ is the aggregation of all events. For a flexible formalism, we allow to build unions recursively: Firstly, we allow empty unions and identify every TS A with the union containing only A , that is, $A = U(A)$. Next, if $U_1 = U(A_0^1, \dots, A_{n_1}^1), \dots, U_m =$

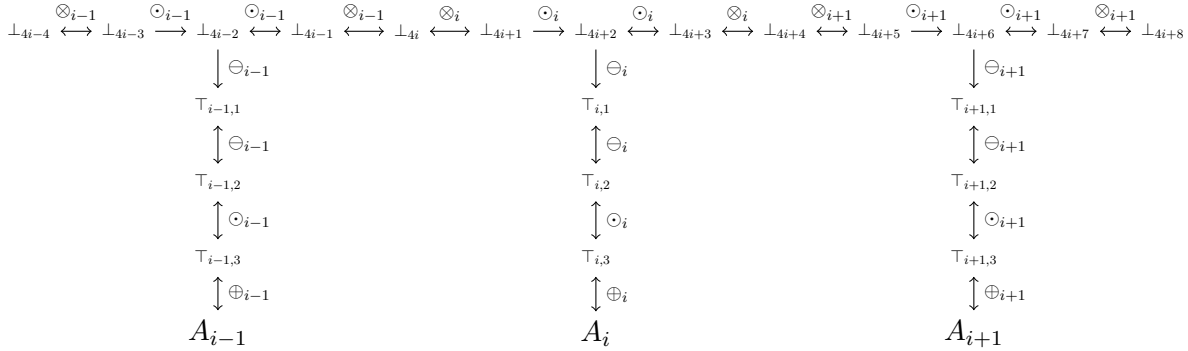


Figure 5: A snippet of the joining $A(U)$ that shows the definition of the transition function δ on the states $\perp_{4j}, \dots, \perp_{4(j+1)}, \top_{j,1}, \dots, \top_{j,3}$ and events $\otimes_j, \odot_j, \ominus_j, \oplus_j$, where $j \in \{i-1, i, i+1\}$.

$(A_0^m, \dots, A_{n_m}^n)$ are unions (possibly with $U_i = U()$ or $U_i = A_i$) then $U(U_1, \dots, U_m)$ is the union $U(A_0^1, \dots, A_{n_1}^1, \dots, A_0^m, \dots, A_{n_m}^n)$.

We lift the concepts of regions, SSP and ESSP to unions $U = U(A_0, \dots, A_n)$ as follows: A (boolean) τ -region (sup, sig) of U consists of $sup: S(U) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ and $sig: E(U) \rightarrow \tau$ such that, for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, the projections $sup_i(s) = sup(s), s \in S_i$ and $sig_i(e) = sig(e), e \in E_i$ provide a region (sup_i, sig_i) of A_i . Then, U has the τ -SSP if for all different states $s, s' \in S(U)$ of the same TS A_i there is a τ -region (sup, sig) of U with $sup(s) \neq sup(s')$. Moreover, U has the τ -ESSP if for all events $e \in E(U)$ and all states $s \in S(U)$ where $s \xrightarrow{e}$ does not hold there is a τ -region (sup, sig) of U where $sup(s) \xrightarrow{sig(e)}$ does not hold. Naturally, U is called τ -feasible if it has both the τ -SSP and the τ -ESSP.

To merge a union $U = U(A_0, \dots, A_n)$ into a single TS, we define the so called *joining* $A(U)$: If s_0^0, \dots, s_0^n are the initial states of U 's TSs then $A(U) = (S(U) \cup \perp \cup \top, E(U) \cup \odot \cup \otimes \cup \ominus \cup \oplus, \delta, \perp_0)$ is a TS with fresh events $\odot = \{\odot_0, \dots, \odot_n\}$, $\otimes = \{\otimes_0, \dots, \otimes_n\}$, $\ominus = \{\ominus_0, \dots, \ominus_n\}$, $\oplus = \{\oplus_0, \dots, \oplus_n\}$ and additional connector states $\top = \{\top_{0,1}, \top_{0,2}, \top_{0,3}, \dots, \top_{n,1}, \top_{n,2}, \top_{n,3}\}$ and $\perp = \{\perp_0, \dots, \perp_{4(n+1)}\}$. The TS $A(U)$ joins the individual TSs of U by the partial function δ , which is defined as follows: If $s \in S(A_i)$ and $e \in E(A_i)$ then $\delta(s, e) = \delta_i(s, e)$. Moreover, we define $\delta(\top_{i,3}, \oplus_i) = s_0^i$ and $\delta(s_0^i, \ominus_i) = \top_{i,3}$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$. Finally, for all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ the definition of δ on the states $\perp_{4i}, \dots, \perp_{4(i+1)}, \top_{i,1}, \dots, \top_{i,3}$ and events $\otimes_i, \odot_i, \ominus_i, \oplus_i$ is shown in Figure 5. The function δ remains undefined on all other pairs $(s, e) \in S(A(U)) \times E(A(U))$.

Notice that $A(U)$ is obviously 2-grade on $\top \cup \perp$, that is, all states of $\top \cup \perp$ have at most two incoming and two outgoing edges. In particular, the state $\top_{i,3}$, $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$, has exactly two incoming and two outgoing edges labeled by \odot_i and \oplus_i , respectively. As a result, if U is g -grade for some $g \geq 2$ and if the initial states of all TSs in U have at most $g-1$ incoming and at most $g-1$ outgoing edges then $A(U)$ is g -grade, too. The following lemma certifies the validity of the joining operation for the unions and the types of nets that occur in our reduction. By construction, these unions satisfy the requirements of the lemma:

Lemma 2. *Let $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$ and let $U = U(A_0, \dots, A_n)$ be a union of TSs A_0, \dots, A_n satisfying the following conditions:*

1. *For every event e in $E(U)$ there is at least one state s in $S(U)$ with $\neg(s \xrightarrow{e})$.*
2. *For all $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ there is exactly one outgoing and one incoming arc at the initial state s_0^i of the TS A_i , both are labeled with the same event u_i that occurs nowhere else in U .*

$A(U)$ has the τ -(E)SSP if and only if $A(U)$ has the τ -(E)SSP.

Proof. If: Projecting a τ -region separating s and s' , respectively inhibiting e at s , in $A(U)$ to the component TSs yields a τ -region separating s and s' , respectively inhibiting e at s in U . Hence, the τ -(E)SSP of $A(U)$ trivially implies the τ -(E)SSP of U .

Only if: A τ -region R of U separating s and s' , respectively inhibiting e at s , can be completed to become an equivalent τ -region R' of $A(U)$ by setting

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sup}_{R'}(s'') &= \begin{cases} \text{sup}_R(s''), & \text{if } s'' \in S(U), \\ \text{sup}_R(s), & \text{otherwise, that is, } s'' \in \perp \cup \top \text{ and} \end{cases} \\ \text{sig}_{R'}(e') &= \begin{cases} \text{sig}_R(e'), & \text{if } e' \in E(U), \\ \text{nop}, & \text{if } e' \in \odot \cup \otimes \cup \ominus \\ \text{nop}, & \text{if } e' = \oplus_i \text{ and } \text{sup}_R(s_0^i) = \text{sup}_R(s), i \in \{0, \dots, n\} \\ \text{swap}, & \text{if } e' = \odot_i \text{ and } \text{sup}_R(s_0^i) \neq \text{sup}_R(s) = 1, i \in \{0, \dots, n\}, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that a τ -region R' like this, which inherits the property of inhibiting e at s from R , do also inhibit e at all connector states, since $\text{sup}_{R'}(s) = \text{sup}_{R'}(s'')$ for all $s'' \in \perp \cup \top$. This has the following consequence: As every event $e \in E(U)$ has at least one state $s \in S(U)$ with $\neg s \xrightarrow{e}$, the ESSP of U implies that U has at least one inhibiting region R for every event e . Hence, for every event e we can use the respective region to create R' as defined above, inhibiting e at every connector state of the TS $A(U)$.

For the (E)SSP of $A(U)$ it is subsequently sufficient to analyze (event) state separation concerning just the connector states and events. By the assumption, we have to consider the cases $\tau \in \sigma_1$ and $\tau \in \sigma_2$, respectively. Firstly, we let $\tau \in \sigma_1$ and present τ -regions, compressed in accordance to Section 3.1, that prove the τ -ESSP of $A(U)$. Secondly, we do the same for $\tau \in \sigma_2$. Finally, we show the τ -SSP of $A(U)$ by regions whose signatures get along with the interactions $\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}$, which are included by all $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$.

Let $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$. In the following we present regions that together inhibit the events $\odot_i, \otimes_i, \ominus_i, \oplus_i$:

Region $R^{\odot_i} = (s^{\odot_i}, \text{sig}^{\odot_i})$ with $\text{sup}^{\odot_i} = S(A(U)) \setminus \{\perp_{4i+1}, \perp_{4i+2}, \perp_{4i+3}, \top_{i,2}, \top_{i,3}\}$ inhibits \odot_i .

The following two regions $R_1^{\otimes_i}$ and $R_2^{\otimes_i}$ prove the inhibition of \otimes_i , where the former is dedicated to the states \perp_{4i-3} (if present), \perp_{4i+2} and \perp_{4i+5} and the latter to the remaining states:

Region $R_1^{\otimes_i} = (\text{sup}_1^{\otimes_i}, \text{sig}_1^{\otimes_i})$ is defined by $\text{sup}_1^{\otimes_i} = \{\perp_{4j+1}, \perp_{4j+2}, \perp_{4j+3}, \top_{j,1}, \top_{j,2}, \top_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, i-1, i, \dots, n\}\} \cup \bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^n S(A_j)$.

Region $R_2^{\otimes_i} = (\text{sup}_2^{\otimes_i}, \text{sig}_2^{\otimes_i})$ is defined by $\text{sup}_2^{\otimes_i} = S(A(U)) \setminus \{\perp_{4i-3}, \perp_{4i}, \dots, \perp_{4i+5}\}$.

The following region $R_1^{\oplus_i}$ inhibits \oplus_i at \perp_{4i+2} and the states $S(A_i) \setminus \{s_0^i\}$ and the region $R_2^{\oplus_i}$ inhibits \oplus_i at the remaining states:

Region $R_1^{\oplus_i} = (\text{sup}_1^{\oplus_i}, \text{sig}_1^{\oplus_i})$ is defined by $\text{sup}_1^{\oplus_i} = S(A(U)) \setminus \{s_0^i, \top_{i,3}, \perp_{4i+2}\}$. Notice that, by assumption of item two, the event u_i occurs unambiguously like $s_0^i \xrightarrow{u_i}$ in A_i .

Region $R_2^{\oplus_i} = (\text{sup}_2^{\oplus_i}, \text{sig}_2^{\oplus_i})$ is defined by $\text{sup}_2^{\oplus_i} = \{\top_{i,1}, \top_{i,2}, \perp_{4i+2}\}$.

Finally, the event \ominus_i is inhibited by the region $R^{\ominus_i} = (\text{sup}^{\ominus_i}, \text{sig}^{\ominus_i})$ which is defined by $\text{sup}^{\ominus_i} = S(A(U)) \setminus \{\perp_{4i+2}, \top_{i,1}, \top_{i,2}\}$.

By the arbitrariness of i , so far we have proven the τ -ESSP of $A(U)$ for $\tau \in \sigma_1$. We proceed by doing the same for $\tau \in \sigma_2$, where $\{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}, \text{used}\} \subseteq \tau$. To reuse a just introduced region

$R = (sup, sig)$ we define its complement $\overline{R} = (\overline{sup}, \overline{sig})$ as follows: $\overline{sup} = S(A(U)) \setminus sup$. Notice that we never build a complement of a region R where $sig(e) = \text{set}$ for some event e .

Let $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. The event \odot_i is inhibited by the complement of R^{\odot_i} .

The event \otimes_i is inhibited at the states $\{\perp_{4j+2}, \perp_{4j+3}, \top_{j,1}, \top_{j,2}, \top_{j,3}\} \cup S(A_j)$, where $0 \leq j \in \{i-1, i+1\}$, and at $\top_{i,1}, \top_{i,2}$ by the complement of $R_1^{\otimes_i}$.

Moreover, \otimes_i is inhibited at the remaining states by $R = (sup, sig)$ which is defined by $sup = \{\perp_{4j+2}, \perp_{4j+3}, \top_{j,1}, \top_{j,2}, \top_{j,3}\} \cup S(A_j) \cup \{\perp_{4i}, \perp_{4i+1}, \perp_{4i+3}, \perp_{4i+4}, \top_{i,1}, \top_{i,2}\}$, where $0 \leq j \in \{i-1, i+1\}$.

The event \oplus_i is inhibited by the complements of $R_1^{\oplus_i}$ and $R_2^{\oplus_i}$ and the event \ominus_i by the complement of R^{\ominus_i} .

So far the τ -ESSP of $A(U)$ for $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$ is proven. Recall for the τ -SSP that the states $S(A_i), i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ are separated within A_i and $sup = S(A_i)$ separates them in $A(U)$. It remains to consider the states of $\top \cup \perp$. We present separating regions that go along with the interactions $\{\text{nop}, \text{set}, \text{swap}\}$ and, thus, are valid for $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$. To do so, we modify the concept of Section 3.1: If (sup, sig) is a region obtained by this concept then we get a corresponding region (sup, sig') where we define $sig'(e) = sig(e)$ if $sig(e) \notin \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$ and, otherwise, $sig(e) = \text{nop}$ for all $e \in E(A(U))$.

Let $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ and region $R_i = (sup_i, sig_i)$ be defined by $sup_i = S(A(U)) \setminus (\{\perp_0, \dots, \perp_{4i+1}\} \cup \{\top_{j,1}, \top_{j,2}, \top_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, i-1\}\} \cup \bigcup_{j=0}^n S(A_j))$. R_i separates all states $s \in sup_i$ from all of $\{\perp_0, \dots, \perp_{4i+1}\} \cup \{\top_{j,1}, \top_{j,2}, \top_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, i-1\}\}$. Thus, it only remains to show that the states $\perp_{4i+2}, \dots, \perp_{4i+5}, \top_{i,1}, \top_{i,2}, \top_{i,3}$, where $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$, are pairwise separable. The already introduced regions (replacing free by nop) are sufficient, to be seen by the following listing:

The state $\top_{i,1}$ is separated by R^{\odot_i} from $\perp_{4i+2}, \perp_{4i+3}, \top_{i,2}$ and $\top_{i,3}$ and by $R_2^{\otimes_i}$ from \perp_{4i+4} and \perp_{4i+5} ; state $\top_{i,2}$ is separated by $R_2^{\otimes_i}$ from $\perp_{4i+2}, \dots, \perp_{4i+5}$ and by $R_2^{\oplus_i}$ from $\top_{i,2}$; state $\top_{i,3}$ is separated by $R_2^{\otimes_i}$ from $\perp_{4i+2}, \dots, \perp_{4i+5}$; state \perp_{4i+2} is separated by R^{\odot_i} from \perp_{4i+4} and \perp_{4i+5} and by $R_1^{\otimes_i}$ from \perp_{4i+3} ; state \perp_{4i+3} is separated by R^{\odot_i} from \perp_{4i+4} and \perp_{4i+5} ; state \perp_{4i+4} is separated by $R_1^{\otimes_i}$ from \perp_{4i+5} . \square

3.3 Manual for the Proof of Theorem 1

The input to our approach is a set $\sigma \in \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\}$ and a cubic monotone boolean 3-CNF $\varphi = \{\zeta_0, \dots, \zeta_{m-1}\}$, a set of negation-free 3-clauses over the variables $V(\varphi)$ such that every variable is a member of exactly three clauses. According to [7], it is NP-complete to decide if φ has a one-in-three model, that is, a subset $M \subseteq V(\varphi)$ of variables that hit every clause exactly once: $|M \cap \zeta_i| = 1$ for all $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. The result of the reduction is a 2-grade union U_φ^σ of gadget TSs which satisfies the following condition:

- Condition 1.** 1. There is event $k \in E(U_\varphi^\sigma)$ and state $h_{0,2} \in S(U_\varphi^\sigma)$ such that $\neg h_{0,2} \xrightarrow{k}$, that is, k has to be inhibited at $h_{0,2}$.
2. There are events $V = \{v_0, \dots, v_{4m-1}\} \subseteq E(U_\varphi^\sigma)$ and $W = \{w_0, \dots, w_{m-1}\} \subseteq E(U_\varphi^\sigma)$ and $Acc = \{a_0, \dots, a_{3m-1}\} \subseteq E(U_\varphi^\sigma)$.
3. If (sup, sig) is a τ -region, where $\tau \in \sigma$, that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ then the following is true:
- (a) $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$ and $W \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$,

(b) $sig(k) = \text{free}$ and $sup(h_{0,2}) = 1$ or $sig(k) = \text{used}$ and $sup(h_{0,2}) = 0$.

4. The variables $V(\varphi)$ are a subset of $E(U_\varphi^\sigma)$, the union events.
5. If (sup, sig) is a region of U_φ^σ satisfying Condition 1.3 then $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid sig(X) = \text{set}\}$ or $M' = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid sig(X) = \text{res}\}$ is a one-in-three model of φ .
6. If φ has a one-in-three model M and $\tau \in \sigma$ then U_φ^σ has the τ -ESSP and the τ -SSP.

The precise meanings of the different items of Condition 1 are developed in the following sections. However, we can already justify that a polynomial time reduction that yields a union which satisfies Condition 1 proves Theorem 1 as the following implications are true:

φ is one-in-three satisfiable $\xrightarrow{6.}$ U_φ^σ has the τ -ESSP & τ -SSP $\xrightarrow{\text{def.}}$ k is τ -inhibitible at $h_{0,6}$ in U_φ^σ $\xrightarrow{3./5.}$ φ is one-in-three satisfiable.

Especially, φ is one-in-three satisfiable if and only if U_φ^σ is τ -feasible, that is, it has the τ -ESSP and the τ -SSP. By Lemma 2, this proves NP-hardness of τ -feasibility for all $\tau \in \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2$. Secondly, every remaining type $\tilde{\tau}$ of Theorem 1 is isomorphic to one of the already covered cases τ . Hence, by Lemma 1, this also proves NP-hardness of $\tilde{\tau}$ -feasibility which, by feasibility being in NP, justifies Theorem 1.

The following sections are dedicated to the introduction of U_φ^σ and to the proof of Condition 1. In these sections, we often refer to the statements of the following simple observation:

Observation 1 (Without proof.). *Let A be a TS, τ a boolean type of net and (sup, sig) a τ -region of A . If $s \xleftarrow{e} s'$ are transitions of A then $sup(s) \neq sup(s')$ if and only if $sig(e) = \text{swap}$. If $s \xrightarrow{e} s' \xleftarrow{e} s''$ are transitions of A , where s, s', s'' are pairwise distinct, and $sig(e) = \text{swap}$ then $sup(s) = sup(s'')$. Moreover, if $P = s \xrightarrow{e_1} \dots \xrightarrow{e_n} s'$ is a path of A then the image $sup(s) \xrightarrow{sig(e_1)} \dots \xrightarrow{sig(e_n)} sup(s')$ of P under R is a path in τ .*

3.4 Details for Condition 1.1-Condition 1.3

In this section, we let $\sigma \in \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2\}$ and introduce the gadgets U_φ^σ that are relevant for Condition 1.1-Condition 1.3.

For a start, the union U_φ^σ has for every $j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}$ the following TS H_j :

$$H_j = h_{j,0} \xleftarrow{k} h_{j,1} \xleftarrow{m} h_{j,2} \xleftarrow{v_j} h_{j,3} \xleftarrow{k} h_{j,4} \xleftarrow{\bar{\tau}} h_{j,5}$$

The TS H_j has the initial state $h_{j,5}$ and the events are k, v_j , and m . While every H_j provides a new v_j , the events k and m are applied by every TS H_0, \dots, H_{4m-1} . Thus, the TSs H_0, \dots, H_{4m-1} together provide the events of $V = \{v_0, \dots, v_{4m-1}\}$. Moreover, H_j has a unique event, say u_j , that is sketched by the underscore and occurs nothing elsewhere in U_φ^σ . The only purpose of this event is to satisfy the requirements of Lemma 2 and it has no impact on the proof of Condition 1. The TS H_0 provides the state $h_{0,2}$ and by $\neg h_{0,2} \xleftarrow{k}$ the event k is to inhibit at this state. We argue that a region (sup, sig) that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ satisfies $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$ and either $sig(k) = \text{free}$ and $sup(h_{0,2}) = 1$ or $sig(k) = \text{used}$ and $sup(h_{0,2}) = 0$. If (sup, sig) is a τ -region that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ then, by definition, the interaction $sig(k)$ does not occur at $sup(h_{0,2})$ in τ . Thus, by definition of σ_1 and σ_2 , we have $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$ for all considered types τ . Let's discuss the case $sig(k) = \text{free}$, which immediately implies $sup(h_{0,2}) = 1$. By $sig(k) = \text{free}$ and

$\xrightarrow{k}h_{j,1}$ and $\xrightarrow{k}h_{j,3}$ we get $sup(h_{j,1}) = sup(h_{j,3}) = 0$ for all $j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}$. By $sup(h_{0,1}) = 0$ and $sup(h_{0,2}) = 1$ and Observation 1 we also get $sig(m) = \text{swap}$. Thus, by $sup(h_{j,1}) = 0$ and $h_{j,1} \xrightarrow{m} h_{j,2}$ we get $sup(h_{j,2}) = 1$ for all $j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}$. Finally, $sup(h_{j,2}) = 1$ and $sup(h_{j,3}) = 0$ and Observation 1 imply $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$. Symmetrically, one argues that $sig(k) = \text{used}$ implies $sup(h_{0,2}) = 0$ and $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$.

The union U_φ^σ has also the following TS F_0, F_1 and F_2 :

$$F_0 = f_{0,0} \xleftarrow{k} f_{0,1} \xleftarrow{m} f_{0,2} \xleftarrow{q_0} f_{0,3} \xleftarrow{k} f_{0,4} \xleftarrow{m} f_{0,5} \xleftarrow{q_1} f_{0,6} \xleftarrow{k} f_{0,7} \xleftarrow{-} f_{0,8}$$

$$F_1 = f_{1,0} \xleftarrow{k} f_{1,1} \xleftarrow{q_2} f_{1,2} \xleftarrow{q_3} f_{1,3} \xleftarrow{k} f_{1,4} \xleftarrow{-} f_{1,5}$$

$$F_2 = f_{2,0} \xleftarrow{k} f_{2,1} \xleftarrow{q_2} f_{2,2} \xleftarrow{q_0} f_{2,3} \xleftarrow{z} f_{2,4} \xleftarrow{q_1} f_{2,5} \xleftarrow{z} f_{2,6} \xleftarrow{q_3} f_{2,7} \xleftarrow{k} f_{2,8} \xleftarrow{-} f_{2,9}$$

The TSs F_0, F_1 and F_2 have the initial states $f_{0,8}, f_{1,5}$ and $f_{2,9}$ and apply the events k, m, q_0, \dots, q_3 and z , respectively. Again, the underscores represent unique events that do not occur elsewhere in U_φ^σ and have the only purpose to satisfy the requirements of Lemma 2. The TSs F_0, F_1 and F_2 have exactly the following task that concerns the event z : If (sup, sig) is a region of U_φ^σ that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ then F_0, F_1 and F_2 use the signatures of k and m to ensure $sig(z) \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\}$. This property of z is used by U_φ^σ to ensure a certain signature for other events. More exactly, the union U_φ^σ has for every $j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ and for every $\ell \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}$ the following TSs G_j and D_ℓ , which together provide the sets $W = \{w_0, \dots, w_{m-1}\}$ and $Acc = \{a_0, \dots, a_{3m-1}\}$ and apply k and z to ensure $W \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ for every region (sup, sig) that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$:

$$G_j = g_{j,0} \xleftarrow{k} g_{j,1} \xleftarrow{y_j} g_{j,2} \xrightarrow{z} g_{j,3} \xleftarrow{z} g_{j,4} \xleftarrow{y_j} g_{j,5} \xleftarrow{w_j} g_{j,6} \xleftarrow{k} g_{j,7} \xleftarrow{-} g_{j,8}$$

$$D_\ell = d_{\ell,0} \xleftarrow{k} d_{\ell,1} \xleftarrow{p_\ell} d_{\ell,2} \xrightarrow{z} d_{\ell,3} \xleftarrow{z} d_{\ell,4} \xleftarrow{p_\ell} d_{\ell,5} \xleftarrow{a_\ell} d_{\ell,6} \xleftarrow{k} d_{\ell,7} \xleftarrow{-} d_{\ell,8}$$

In the remainder of this section, we first prove the announced functionality of F_0, F_1 and F_2 and then do so for G_j and D_ℓ . If (sup, sig) is a region that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ then $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$ and, by the former discussion, $sig(m) = \text{swap}$. By $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$ and $sig(m) = \text{swap}$ we get $sup(f_{0,1}) = sup(f_{0,3}) = sup(f_{0,4}) = sup(f_{0,6}) \neq sup(f_{0,2}) = sup(f_{0,5})$. This implies, by Observation 1, that $sig(q_0) = sig(q_1) = \text{swap}$. Moreover, again by $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$, we have $sup(f_{1,1}) = sup(f_{1,3})$, which implies $sig(q_2) = \text{swap}$ if and only if $sig(q_3) = \text{swap}$ if and only if $sup(f_{1,1}) \neq sup(f_{1,2})$. This influences directly the states of F_2 : By $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$ we have $sup(f_{2,1}) = sup(f_{2,7})$, which, by Observation 1 and the behavior of q_2, q_3 , implies that $sup(f_{2,2}) = sup(f_{2,6})$. This implies that if $sig(z) \neq \text{swap}$ then $sig(z) = \text{nop}$: If $sig(z) \neq \text{swap}$ then, by Observation 1, we have that $sup(f_{2,3}) = sup(f_{2,4})$ and $sup(f_{2,5}) = sup(f_{2,6})$. By $sig(q_1) = \text{swap}$, we get $sup(f_{2,4}) \neq sup(f_{2,5})$. Thus, we have $0 \xrightarrow{sig(z)} 0$ and $1 \xrightarrow{sig(z)} 1$ in τ which implies $sig(z) = \text{nop}$. Altogether, this implies $sig(z) \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\}$ for every region (sup, sig) that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$.

It remains to argue that such a region implies $W \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$: Let $j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. By Observation 1 and $sig(z) \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\}$, we have that $sup(g_{j,2}) = sup(g_{j,4})$ and, by $sig(k) \in \{\text{free}, \text{used}\}$, we get $sup(g_{j,1}) = sup(g_{j,6})$. Again by Observation 1, the following is true: If $sig(y_j) = \text{swap}$ then $sup(g_{j,1}) \neq sup(g_{j,2}) = sup(g_{j,4}) \neq sup(g_{j,5})$, that is, $sup(g_{j,1}) = sup(g_{j,5}) = sup(g_{j,6})$. This implies $sig(w_j) \neq \text{swap}$. If, otherwise, $sig(y_j) \neq \text{swap}$ then $sup(g_{j,1}) = sup(g_{j,2}) = sup(g_{j,4}) = sup(g_{j,5}) = sup(g_{j,6})$, which also implies $sig(w_j) \neq \text{swap}$. By

the arbitrariness of j , this proves $W \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$. Moreover, as G_j and D_ℓ are obviously isomorphic we have also proven that $\text{Acc} \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$.

So far we have shown that U_φ^σ satisfies the Conditions 1.1-Condition 1.3. The following section is dedicated to the proof of Condition 1.4 and Condition 1.5.

3.5 Details for Condition 1.4 and Condition 1.5

In this section, we introduce the remaining gadgets of U_φ^σ . While the so far introduced gadgets are valid for both σ_1 and σ_2 , this is no longer true for the gadgets which we introduce in this section. The reason is that there are types in σ_2 which in a certain way are essentially different from the type of σ_1 . This requires a different construction to be able to satisfy Condition 1.6. In the following we first introduce the remaining gadgets for σ_1 and then the ones for σ_2 .

The union $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ has for clause $\zeta_i = \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$, $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$, the following TS $T_{i,0}$:

$$T_{i,0} = \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccc} t_{i,0,0} & \xleftarrow{k} & t_{i,0,1} & \xleftarrow{v_{4i}} & t_{i,0,2} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i}} & t_{i,0,3} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} & t_{i,0,4} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} & t_{i,0,5} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i}} & t_{i,0,6} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i+1}} & t_{i,0,7} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} & t_{i,0,8} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} & t_{i,0,9} \\ & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & \uparrow a_{3i+1} \\ & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & t_{i,0,10} \\ & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & & \downarrow \\ t_{i,0,17} & \xleftarrow{-} & t_{i,0,16} & \xleftarrow{k} & t_{i,0,15} & \xleftarrow{w_i} & t_{i,0,14} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i+2}} & t_{i,0,13} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} & t_{i,0,12} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} & t_{i,0,11} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i+2}} & t_{i,0,10} \end{array}$$

Additionally, the union $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ has for clause ζ_i the following three TSs $T_{i,1}, T_{i,2}$ and $T_{i,3}$:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{i,1} &= t_{i,1,0} \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,1,1} \xleftarrow{v_{4i+1}} t_{i,1,2} \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} t_{i,1,3} \xleftarrow{-} t_{i,1,4} \\ T_{i,2} &= t_{i,2,0} \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,2,1} \xleftarrow{v_{4i+2}} t_{i,2,2} \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} t_{i,2,3} \xleftarrow{-} t_{i,2,4} \\ T_{i,3} &= t_{i,3,0} \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} t_{i,3,1} \xleftarrow{v_{4i+3}} t_{i,3,2} \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} t_{i,3,3} \xleftarrow{-} t_{i,3,4} \end{aligned}$$

The TSs $T_{i,0}, \dots, T_{i,3}$ have the initial states $t_{i,0,17}, t_{i,1,4}, t_{i,2,4}$ and $t_{i,3,4}$, respectively, and use the variables $X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}$ and $X_{i,2}$ of ζ_i as events. Recall that for Condition 1.5, by $\text{res} \notin \tau$ for $\tau \in \sigma_1$, the set $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid \text{sig}(X) = \text{set}\}$ has to be a one-in-three model for every region (sup, sig) that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$. To prove this condition, we let $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ be arbitrary and show that a corresponding region satisfies that there is an event $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ such that $\text{sig}(X) = \text{set}$ and that $\text{sig}(Y) \neq \text{set}$ for $Y \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\} \setminus \{X\}$. By the arbitrariness of i , this is simultaneously true for all clauses $\zeta_0, \dots, \zeta_{m-1}$. Thus, (sup, sig) selects exactly one variable of every clause via the set-signature of the corresponding variable events, which actually makes $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid \text{sig}(X) = \text{set}\}$ a one-in-three model of φ .

If $\tau \in \sigma_1$ and if (sup, sig) is a τ -region of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ that inhibits k at $h_{0,2}$ then, by definition of σ_1 and the discussions above, we have that $\text{sig}(k) = \text{free}$. By $\text{sig}(k) = \text{free}$, we have $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,1}) = \text{sup}(t_{i,0,15}) = 0$. Furthermore, Condition 1.3 implies $V \subseteq \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap})$ and $W \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and $\text{Acc} \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$. Thus, by $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,1}) = 0$ and $V \subseteq \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap})$ we get $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,2}) = 1$, which with $\text{Acc} \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and Observation 1 implies $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,3}) = 1$. Similarly, $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,15}) = 0$, $W \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$, $\text{Acc} \cap \text{sig}^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and Observation 1 imply $\text{sup}(t_{i,0,13}) = 0$. As a result, the image of the following sequence P_i of $T_{i,0}$ contains a subsequence in τ which starts 0 and terminate at 1. The sequence P_i is given by $P_i =$

$$t_{i,0,3} \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,0,4} \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,0,5} \xleftarrow{a_{3i}} t_{i,0,6} \xleftarrow{a_{3i+1}} t_{i,0,7} \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} t_{i,0,8} \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} t_{i,0,9} \xleftarrow{a_{3i+1}} t_{i,0,10} \xleftarrow{a_{3i+2}} t_{i,0,11} \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} t_{i,0,12} \xleftarrow{X_{i,2}} t_{i,0,13}$$

We obtain immediately that there is at least one event (of P_i) whose signature realizes the state change from 0 to 1 in τ . By $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$, this event can not be any of $a_{3i}, a_{3i+1}, a_{3i+2}$. Moreover, if $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$, $sig(X) \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}, \text{free}\}$ then for $s \xrightarrow{X} s' \xleftarrow{X} s''$, where s, s', s'' are pairwise distinct, we get $sup(s) = sup(s'')$. Thus, there has to be an event $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ such that $sig(X) = \text{set}$. In the following, we argue that if $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ and $sig(X) = \text{set}$ then $sig(Y) \neq \text{set}$ for $Y \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\} \setminus \{X\}$.

If $sig(X_{i,0}) = \text{set}$ then, by $\xrightarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,1,1}$ and $\xrightarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,2,1}$, we get that $sup(t_{i,1,1}) = sup(t_{i,2,1}) = 1$. Moreover, by $t_{i,1,1} \xrightarrow{v_{4i+1}} t_{i,1,2}$, $t_{i,2,1} \xrightarrow{v_{4i+2}} t_{i,2,2}$, $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$ and Observation 1, we conclude $sup(t_{i,1,2}) = sup(t_{i,2,2}) = 0$. Thus, by $\xrightarrow{X_{i,1}} t_{i,1,2}$ and $\xrightarrow{X_{i,2}} t_{i,2,2}$, we obtain that $sig(X_{i,1}) \neq \text{set}$ and $sig(X_{i,2}) \neq \text{set}$. By the symmetry of $T_{i,1}, T_{i,2}$ and $T_{i,3}$ (and similar arguments) it is easy to see that $sig(X_{i,1}) = \text{set}$ implies $sig(X_{i,0}) \neq \text{set}$ and $sig(X_{i,2}) \neq \text{set}$ and that $sig(X_{i,2}) = \text{set}$ implies $sig(X_{i,0}) \neq \text{set}$ and $sig(X_{i,1}) \neq \text{set}$.

Altogether, so far we have proven that $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ satisfies Condition 1.4 and Condition 1.5. In the remainder of this section we argue that $U_\varphi^{\sigma_2}$ does too.

The union $U_\varphi^{\sigma_2}$ has for clause $\zeta_i = \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$, $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$, the following TS $T'_{i,0}$:

$$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccc}
 T'_{i,0} = & t_{i,0,0} & \xleftarrow{k} & t_{i,0,1} & \xleftarrow{w_i} & t_{i,0,2} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i}} & t_{i,0,3} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} & t_{i,0,4} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,0}} & t_{i,0,5} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i}} & t_{i,0,6} & \xleftarrow{a_{3i+1}} & t_{i,0,7} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} & t_{i,0,8} & \xleftarrow{X_{i,1}} & t_{i,0,9} \\
 & \downarrow a_{3i+1} \\
 & t_{i,0,10} \\
 & \uparrow a_{3i+2} \\
 & t_{i,0,11} \\
 & \downarrow a_{3i+2} \\
 & t_{i,0,12} \\
 & \downarrow X_{i,2} \\
 & t_{i,0,13} \\
 & \downarrow X_{i,2} \\
 & t_{i,0,14} \\
 & \downarrow v_{4i} \\
 & t_{i,0,15} \\
 & \downarrow k \\
 & t_{i,0,16} \\
 & \downarrow - \\
 & t_{i,0,17}
 \end{array}$$

Notice that the (only) difference between $T'_{i,0}$ and $T_{i,0}$ is the switched position of the events v_{4i} and w_i . This switch is necessary to satisfy Condition 1.6. However, similar to the TS $T_{i,0}$, the $T'_{i,0}$ has the sequence P_i . The initial state of $T'_{i,0}$ is $t_{i,0,17}$ and, again, it uses ζ_i 's variables as events. Additionally, the union $U_\varphi^{\sigma_2}$ installs for clause ζ_i also the TSs $T_{i,1}, T_{i,2}, T_{i,3}$, originally introduced for $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$. If (sup, sig) is a region of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_2}$ that inhibits k at $t_{i,0,2}$ then, by the discussions of the former section, we have either $sig(k) = \text{used}$ or $sig(k) = \text{free}$. In the following we argue that if $sig(k) = \text{used}$ then $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid sig(X) = \text{set}\}$ is a one-in-three model of φ and, otherwise, $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid sig(X) = \text{res}\}$ is a one-in-three model of φ .

If $sig(k) = \text{used}$ then $sup(t_{i,0,1}) = sup(t_{i,0,15}) = 1$. Thus, again by $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$, $W \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ and $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$ we obtain that the image of P_i of $T'_{i,0}$ has a subsequence of τ that starts at 0 and terminates at 1. Moreover, by $Acc \cap sig^{-1}(\text{swap}) = \emptyset$, the signature of an event of $X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}$ has to realize this state change from 0 to 1 in τ . If $sig(X) \in \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$ then $s \xrightarrow{X} s' \xleftarrow{X} s''$, where s, s', s'' are pairwise different, implies $sup(s) = sup(s'')$ and if $sig(X) = \text{res}$ then $sup(s'') = 0$. Thus, there has to be an event $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ such that $sig(X) = \text{set}$. By the already discussed functionality of $T_{i,1}, T_{i,2}$ and $T_{i,3}$ we obtain that $sig(Y) \neq \text{set}$ for $Y \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\} \setminus \{X\}$. By the arbitrariness of i this is simultaneously true for all clauses, thus, $M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid sig(X) = \text{set}\}$ is a one-in-three model of φ .

If $sig(k) = \text{free}$ then, by similar arguments, we conclude that the image of the subsequence $t_{i,0,13} \xrightarrow{X_{i,2}} \dots \xrightarrow{X_{i,0}} t_{i,0,3}$ is a sequence of τ that starts at 1 and terminates at 0. Moreover, there has to be an event $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ such that $sig(X) = \text{res}$ which realizes the state change from 1 to 0 in τ . Using again the TSs $T_{i,1}, T_{i,2}, T_{i,3}$ and $V \subseteq sig^{-1}(\text{swap})$ we obtain that $sig(X) = \text{res}$ for $X \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\}$ implies that $sig(Y) \neq \text{res}$ for $Y \in \{X_{i,0}, X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}\} \setminus \{X\}$. Consequently,

$M = \{X \in V(\varphi) \mid \text{sig}(X) = \text{res}\}$ selects exactly one variable of every clause ζ_i of φ , which makes it a sought model.

3.6 Details for Condition 1.6

In this section, we prove that $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ satisfies Condition 1.6. Due to space limitation, we can not present the proof for $U_\varphi^{\sigma_2}$ which, however, can be found in the technical report [12].

In the remainder of this section let $\tau \in \sigma_1$. To show the τ -ESSP of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ we restrict ourselves for every $e \in E(U_\varphi^{\sigma_1})$ to the presentation of τ -regions that inhibits e in the gadgets A of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ that actually apply e : $e \in E(A)$. It is easy to see, that e is inhibitable at the remaining states: In accordance to Section 3.1, we use simply the region (sup, sig) which is defined by $\text{sup} = S(U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}) \setminus \{s \in S(A) \mid e \in E(A), A \in U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}\}$.

In the following, we firstly provide a sequence of lemmata that altogether prove the τ -ESSP of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$. Each lemma covers a whole set of events and presents regions that inhibits these events. The regions are presented in accordance to Section 3.1 and by "targets" we refer to the states at which the current investigated event is inhibited. Secondly, we argue that the already presented regions are sufficient for the τ -SSP, too.

Lemma 3. *The event k is inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. R_1^k is defined by **sup**: $\{d_{j,3}, d_{j,4}, d_{j,5} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{g_{j,2}, g_{j,3}, g_{j,4} \mid 0 \leq j \leq m-1\}, \{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,5}, t_{i,0,7}, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,0,9}, t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,13} \mid i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{f_{1,2}, f_{2,2}, \dots, f_{2,6}\}$

targets: $\{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,5}, t_{i,0,7}, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,0,9}, t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,13} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m-1\}, \{d_{0,5}, \dots, d_{3m-1,5}\}, \{f_{2,3}, f_{2,4}\}, \{f_{2,3}, f_{2,4}\}$

Let $i, j, \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ be pairwise distinct and $\alpha, \beta \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ such that $X_{i,0} = X_{j,\alpha} = X_{\ell,\beta}$. R_2^k is defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,6}, \dots, t_{i,0,14}, t_{i,1,0}, \dots, t_{i,1,4}, t_{i,2,0}, \dots, t_{i,2,4}\}, \{g_{i,3}, g_{i,4}, g_{i,5}\}, S(T_{\ell,1}), S(T_{\ell,2}), S(T_{\ell,3}), S(T_{j,1}), S(T_{j,2}), S(T_{j,3}), \{s, s', s'' \mid s \xrightarrow{X_{j,\alpha}} s' \xrightarrow{X_{j,\alpha}} s'', s \xrightarrow{X_{\ell,\beta}} s' \xrightarrow{X_{\ell,\beta}} s''\}, \{d_{x,2}, \dots, d_{x,4} \mid x \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\} \setminus \{3i, 3j+\alpha, 3\ell+\beta\}\}, \{g_{x,2}, \dots, g_{x,4} \mid x \in \{0, \dots, m-1\} \setminus \{i, j, \ell\}\}, \{d_{3j+\alpha,3}, \dots, d_{3j+\alpha,5}, d_{3\ell+\beta,3}, \dots, d_{3\ell+\beta,5}\}$

targets: $t_{i,0,6}, t_{i,0,10}, t_{i,0,14}$ and $g_{i,5}$

Let M be a one-in-three model of φ . The event k is inhibited at the other relevant states (of TSs that apply k) by the following region R_3^k which is the only region that actually depends on the existence of M . More exactly, R_3^k is defined by the support **sup**: $S_H \cup S_F \cup S_G \cup S_D \cup S_0 \cup \dots \cup S_{m-1}$ where $S_H = \{h_{j,2} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, S_F = \{f_{0,2}, f_{0,5}, f_{0,8}, f_{1,2}, f_{1,5}, f_{2,2}, f_{2,5}, f_{2,6}, f_{2,9}\}, S_G = \{g_{j,2}, g_{j,3}, g_{j,4}, g_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, S_D = \{d_{j,2}, d_{j,3}, d_{j,4}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}$ and for $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ the set S_i is defined as follows:

$$S_i = \begin{cases} \{t_{i,0,2}, t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,17}, t_{i,1,0}, t_{i,1,1}, t_{i,2,0}, t_{i,2,1}\}, & \text{if } X_{i,0} \in M \\ \{t_{i,0,2}, \dots, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,1,2}, t_{i,1,3}, t_{i,3,0}, t_{i,3,1}\}, & \text{if } X_{i,1} \in M \\ \{t_{i,0,2}, \dots, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,2,2}, t_{i,2,3}, t_{i,3,2}, t_{i,3,3}\}, & \text{if } X_{i,2} \in M \end{cases}$$

□

Lemma 4. *The events v_0, \dots, v_{4m-1} are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Let $j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}$. The following regions R_1^v and R_2^v inhibit v_j at the presented targets.

Region R_1^v is defined by **sup**: $\{h_{i,0}, h_{i,1} \mid i \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$, $\{f_{0,2}, f_{0,3}, f_{0,4}\}$, **targets**: $h_{j,0}, h_{j,1}$

Region R_2^v is defined by **sup**: $\{h_{i,0}, h_{i,1} \mid i \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$, $\{f_{0,2}, f_{0,3}, f_{0,4}\}$
targets: $\{h_{j,4}, h_{j,5}\}$, $\{t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,16}, t_{i,0,17} \mid i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$

Let $i, j, \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ be pairwise distinct and $\alpha, \beta \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ such that $X_{i,0} = X_{j,\alpha} = X_{\ell,\beta}$. The inhibition of v_{4i} in $T_{i,0}$: For $t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,16}, t_{i,0,17}$ use R_2^v , for $\{t_{i,0,3}, \dots, t_{i,0,13}\} \setminus \{t_{i,0,6}, t_{i,0,10}\}$ use R_2^k . For $t_{i,0,6}, t_{i,0,10}, t_{i,0,14}, t_{i,0,15}$ use the region R_3^v which is defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,6}, t_{i,0,10}, t_{i,0,14}, \dots, t_{i,0,17}\}$, $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{4i, 4i+1, 4i+2\}\}$, $S(T_{i,1}), S(T_{i,2}), S(T_{j,0}), \dots, S(T_{j,3}), S(T_{\ell,0}), \dots, S(T_{\ell,3})$

For $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ and $\alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ the region R_4^v defined by **sup**: $\{t_{j,\alpha,0}, t_{j,\alpha,3}, t_{j,\alpha,4} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}, \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}\}$, $\{t_{j,0,4}, t_{j,0,8}, t_{j,0,12} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$ inhibits $v_{4i+\alpha}$ in $T_{i,\alpha}$ at the **targets**: $\{t_{i,\alpha,0}, t_{i,\alpha,3}, t_{i,\alpha,4}\}$ □

Lemma 5. *The events y_0, \dots, y_{m-1} and p_0, \dots, p_{3m-1} are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Let $j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. The inhibition of y_j in G_j works as follows: For y_j at $g_{j,0}, g_{j,7}, g_{j,8}$ use the region R_2^v . For $g_{j,6}$ use the region R_1^y defined by **sup**: $\{t_{j,0,15}, t_{j,0,16}, t_{j,0,17}\}$, $\{g_{j,6}, g_{j,7}, g_{j,8}\}$. For the remaining state $g_{j,3}$ use the region R_2^y defined by **sup**: $\{f_{2,4}, f_{2,5}\}$, $\{d_{x,3} \mid x \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}$, $\{g_{x,3} \mid x \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$.

Let $j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}$. The inhibition of p_j in D_j works as follows: For the states $d_{j,0}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8}$ use the region R_2^y and for $d_{j,3}$ use R_2^y . Finally, for $d_{j,6}$ use R_1^p which is defined by **sup**: $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8}\} \cup S$, where $S = \{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,3}, T_{i,0,5}\}$ if $j = 3i$ and $S = \{t_{i,0,7}, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,0,9}\}$ if $j = 3i+1$ and $S = \{t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,13}\}$ if $j = 3i+2$. □

Lemma 6. *The event z is inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Region R_1^z is defined by **sup**: $\{f_{j,0}, f_{j,1}, f_{j,2} \mid j \in \{0, 1, 2\}\}$, $\{d_{j,0}, d_{j,1}, d_{j,5}, \dots, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}$, $\{g_{j,0}, g_{j,1}, g_{j,5}, \dots, g_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, $\{f_{2,7}, f_{2,8}, f_{2,9}\}$ and inhibits z at all relevant states. □

Lemma 7. *The event m is inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Region R_1^m is defined by **sup**: $\{f_{0,0}, f_{0,3}, f_{0,6}\}$, $\{f_{1,0}, f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}\}$, $\{f_{2,1}, f_{2,2}, f_{2,5}, f_{2,6}, f_{2,7}\}$, $\{h_{j,0}, h_{j,4}, h_{j,5} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$, $\{d_{j,0}, d_{j,7}, g_{\ell,0}, g_{\ell,7} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}, \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, $\{t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,16} \mid i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $\{h_{j,0}, h_{j,4}, h_{j,5} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$, $\{f_{0,0}, f_{0,3}, f_{0,6}\}$,

Region R_2^m is defined by **sup**: $\text{sup}(R_1^m) \setminus \{f_{0,6}, f_{2,5}, f_{2,6}, f_{2,7}\}$, $\{f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}, f_{2,7}, f_{2,8}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}\}$

Region R_3^m is defined by **sup**: $\{h_{j,3}, h_{j,4}, h_{j,5} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$, $\{t_{i,j,0}, t_{i,j,1} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3\}, i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $\{h_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}$ □

Lemma 8. *The events w_0, \dots, w_{m-1} are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Let $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$. Region R_3^k inhibits w_i at $g_{i,2}, t_{i,0,17}$ and R_2^k at $t_{i,0,13}$ and R_2^v at $g_{i,7}, g_{i,8}, t_{i,16}$.

Let $i, j, \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ be pairwise distinct. The following support defines region R_1^w that inhibits w_i at the (remaining) states $t_{i,0,0}, \dots, t_{i,0,12}$: **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,0}, \dots, t_{i,0,12}\}, \bigcup_{j=0}^{m-1} (S(T_{j,1}) \cup S(T_{j,2}) \cup S(T_{j,3})), \bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^{m-1} S(T_{j,0}), S(F_2), \bigcup_{j=0}^{3m-1} S(D_j), \bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^{m-1} S(G_j), \{g_{j,0}, g_{j,1}, g_{j,3}, g_{j,4}\}$ \square

Lemma 9. *The events X_0, \dots, X_{m-1} are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. We let $i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$ and explicitly show the inhibition of $X_{i,0}$ in $T_{i,0}, \dots, T_{i,3}$. By symmetry, the inhibition of $X_{i,1}$ and $X_{i,2}$ works perfectly similar. By the arbitrariness of i this proves the lemma. The corresponding support is defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,1}, t_{i,0,2}, t_{i,0,6}, \dots, t_{i,0,17}\}, \{t_{i,1,2}, t_{i,1,3}, t_{i,1,4}, t_{i,2,2}, t_{i,2,3}, t_{i,2,4}\}, \{h_{4i+1,0}, h_{4i+1,1}, h_{4i+2,0}, h_{4i+2,1}\}, \{d_{3i,6}, d_{3i,7}, d_{3i,8}\}$. \square

Lemma 10. *The events q_0, \dots, q_3 are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. (q_0): Region $R_0^{q_0}$ defined by **sup**: $\{h_{j,0}, h_{j,1} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,0}, f_{0,1}, f_{0,5}, \dots, f_{0,8}\}$, **targets**: $S(F_0) \setminus \{f_{0,4}\}$

Region $R_1^{q_0}$ defined by **sup**: $\{h_{j,0}, h_{j,4}, h_{j,5} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{t_{j,0,0}, t_{j,0,16}, t_{j,0,17} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{d_{j,0}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}\}, \{f_{2,0}, f_{2,8}, f_{2,9}\}, \{g_{j,0}, g_{j,7}, g_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,0}, f_{0,4}, f_{0,5}, f_{0,6}\}$, **target**: $\{f_{0,4}\}$

Region $R_2^{q_0}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{0,6}, f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}\}, \{f_{1,0}, f_{1,1}\}, \{f_{2,0}, f_{2,1}, f_{2,5}, \dots, f_{2,9}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{2,0}, f_{2,1}, f_{2,5}, \dots, f_{2,9}\}$,

Region $R_3^{q_0}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{2,4}, f_{2,5}\}, \{d_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{g_{\ell,3} \mid \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **target**: $\{f_{2,4}\}$

(q_1): Region $R_0^{q_1}$ defined by **sup**: $\{h_{j,0}, h_{j,1} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,2}, f_{0,3}, f_{0,4}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{0,2}, f_{0,3}\}$

Region $R_1^{q_1}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{0,0}, f_{0,1}, f_{0,2}, f_{2,0}, f_{2,1}, f_{2,2}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{0,0}\}$

Region $R_3^{q_1}$ defined by **sup**: $\{t_{j,0,0}, t_{j,0,16} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{h_{j,1}, h_{j,4} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,1}, f_{0,4}, f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}\}, \{f_{1,1}, f_{1,3}, f_{2,2}\}, \{d_{j,0}, d_{j,7} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{g_{\ell,0}, g_{\ell,7} \mid \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{0,1}, f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}\}$

Region $R_4^{q_1}$ defined by **sup**: $S(F_2) \setminus \{f_{2,3}, f_{2,5}\}, \{d_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{g_{\ell,3} \mid \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $S(F_2)$

(q_2): Region $R_0^{q_2}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{0,0}, f_{0,1}, f_{0,2}, f_{2,3}, \dots, f_{2,9}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{2,3}, \dots, f_{2,9}\}$

Region $R_1^{q_2}$ defined by **sup**: $\{t_{j,0,0}, t_{j,0,16} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{h_{j,0}, h_{j,4} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,0}, f_{0,6}\}, \{f_{1,0}, f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}\}, \{f_{2,0}, f_{2,3}, f_{2,5}, f_{2,8}, f_{2,9}\}, \{d_{j,3} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{g_{\ell,3} \mid \ell \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{1,0}, f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}, f_{2,0}\}$

Region $R_2^{q_2}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{1,3}, f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}, f_{2,7}, f_{2,8}, f_{2,9}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{1,3}\}$

(q_3): We reuse Region $R_1^{q_2}$ for the **targets**: $\{f_{1,0}, f_{1,4}, f_{1,5}, f_{2,5}, f_{2,8}, f_{2,9}\}$.

Region $R_0^{q_3}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{1,0}, f_{1,1}, f_{2,0}, f_{2,1}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{1,0}, f_{1,1}\}$

Region $R_1^{q_3}$ defined by **sup**: $\{f_{0,6}, f_{0,7}, f_{0,8}\}, \{f_{2,0}, \dots, f_{2,4}\}$, **targets**: $\{f_{2,0}, \dots, f_{2,4}\}$ \square

Lemma 11. *The events a_0, \dots, a_{3m-1} are inhibitable in $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$.*

Proof. Let $i \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}$. The following two regions R_0^a and R_1^a inhibit a_i in D_i .

Region R_0^a defined by **sup**: $\{d_{j,0}, d_{j,2}, d_{j,3}, d_{j,4}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \{t_{j,0,0}, t_{j,0,16} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}, \{h_{j,0}, h_{j,4} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}\}, \{f_{0,0}, f_{0,4}, f_{0,5}, f_{0,6}, f_{1,0}, f_{1,4}\}, \{g_{j,0}, d_{j,7} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}\}$, **targets**: $\{d_{j,0}, d_{j,2}, d_{j,3}, d_{j,4}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8}\}$

Region R_1^a defined by **sup**: $S(F_2), \{d_{j,0}, d_{j,1}, d_{j,3}, d_{j,4} \mid j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}\}, \bigcup_{j=0}^{m-1} S(G_j)$, **targets**: $\{d_{j,1}\}$

The following three regions R_2^a, R_3^a and R_4^a are dedicated to the inhibition of a_{3i} at the remaining states of $T_{i,0}$. Notice that the region R_4^a inhibits a_{3i} at $t_{i,0,4}$.

Region R_2^a defined by **sup**: all targets plus $\{h_{4i,0}, h_{4i,1}, h_{4i,2}\}$, $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{3i+1, 3i+2\}\}$, $\{g_{i,6}, g_{i,7}, g_{i,8}\}$, **targets**: $\{t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,1}, t_{i,0,7}, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,0,9}, t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,13}, t_{i,0,15}, t_{i,0,16}, t_{i,0,17}\}$

Region R_3^a defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,7}, t_{i,0,8}, t_{i,0,10}, t_{i,0,14}, \dots, t_{i,0,17}\}$, $\bigcup_{j=0}^{m-1} (S(T_{j,1}) \cup S(T_{j,2}) \cup S(T_{j,3}))$, $\bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^{m-1} S(T_{j,0})$, $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{3i+1, 3i+2\}\}$, **targets**: $\{t_{i,0,10}, t_{i,0,14}\}$

The following three regions R_5^a, R_6^a and R_7^a are dedicated to the inhibition of a_{3i+1} at the remaining states of $T_{i,0}$. Notice that the region R_4^a inhibits a_{3i+1} at $t_{i,0,8}$.

Region R_5^a defined by **sup**: all targets plus $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{3i, 3i+2\}\}$, $\{g_{i,6}, g_{i,7}, g_{i,8}\}$, **targets**: $\{t_{i,0,3}, t_{i,0,4}, t_{i,0,5}, t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,13}, t_{i,0,15}, t_{i,0,16}, t_{i,0,17}\}$,

Region R_6^a defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,0}, \dots, t_{i,0,4}\}$, $\bigcup_{j=0}^{m-1} (S(T_{j,1}) \cup S(T_{j,2}) \cup S(T_{j,3}))$, $\bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^{m-1} S(T_{j,0})$, **targets**: $\{t_{i,0,0}, t_{i,0,1}, t_{i,0,2}\}$,

Region R_7^a defined by **sup**: $\{t_{i,0,11}, t_{i,0,12}, t_{i,0,14}, \dots, t_{i,0,17}\}$, $\bigcup_{j=0}^{m-1} (S(T_{j,1}) \cup S(T_{j,2}) \cup S(T_{j,3}))$, $\bigcup_{i \neq j=0}^{m-1} S(T_{j,0})$, $\{d_{j,6}, d_{j,7}, d_{j,8} \mid j \in \{3i+2\}\}$, **targets**: $\{t_{i,0,14}\}$, Finally, the inhibition of a_{3i+2} in $T_{i,0}$ works symmetrically to a_{3i} and a_{3i+1} . \square

Lemma 12 (Without proof). *The unique events, substituted by underscores, are inhibitable.*

Finally, we argue that the τ -ESSP of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ implies its τ -SSP:

Lemma 13. *If $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ has the τ -ESSP then it has τ -SSP.*

Proof. For a start, the initial state of any TS A implemented by $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ is obviously separable from all the other states of A . Moreover, if U_φ^σ has the τ -ESSP then k is inhibitable at $h_{0,2}$ and φ has a one-in-three model M . Thus, all the formerly presented regions exist. We argue, that these regions justify the τ -SSP of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$. To show we argue for every gadget A of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$ that it has the τ -SSP by regions of $U_\varphi^{\sigma_1}$. The following table present the corresponding regions.

TS	Separating Regions
$H_j, j \in \{0, \dots, 4m-1\}$	$R_0^{q_0}, R_1^{q_0}, R_3^k$
F_0	$R_0^{q_0}, R_1^{q_0}, R_2^{q_0}, R_3^k$
F_1	$R_0^{q_0}, R_2^{q_0}, R_3^k$
F_2	$R_0^{q_0}, R_2^{q_0}, R_3^{q_0}, R_3^{q_1}, R_4^{q_1}$
$D_j, j \in \{0, \dots, 3m-1\}$	$R_1^{q_0}, R_3^{q_0}, R_2^k, R_3^k, R_2^a$
$G_j, j \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$	$R_1^{q_0}, R_0^{q_1}, R_2^k, R_3^k, R_2^a, R_1^w$
$T_{i,\alpha}^\sigma, i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}, \alpha \in \{1, 2, 3\}$	R_3^k, R_4^v
$T_{i,0}, i \in \{0, \dots, m-1\}$	R_3^k, R_4^v and the regions of Lemma 11

\square

4 Conclusion and Future Work

In this paper, we continue our work of [13, 14] and show the NP-completeness of τ -feasibility for the boolean types $\tau = \{\text{nop}, \text{swap}\} \cup \omega$ with $\omega \subseteq \{\text{res}, \text{set}, \text{used}, \text{free}\}$, $\omega \cap \{\text{res}, \text{set}\} \neq \emptyset$ and $\omega \cap \{\text{used}, \text{free}\} \neq \emptyset$. So far this settles the computational complexity of 120 of 256 possible boolean types of nets. In addition, the presented reductions make sure that the resulting TSs are 2-grade, which is a strong restriction. This basically rules out the grade as a parameter

for FPT approaches for all considered net types. It remains future work to investigate the computational complexity of feasibility for the other 136 boolean types of nets.

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