Colloquium

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Clock Allocation in Timed Automata and Graph Coloring

Abstract

We consider the problem of optimal clock allocation for a class of timed automata, $TA_S$, under the safe assumption that all states are reachable. Techniques similar to those used in the field of compiler construction allow us to construct an interference graph: the problem of clock allocation for timed automata in $TA_S$ can be reduced to that of coloring this graph. We then identify a class of timed automata, $TA_{DS} \subseteq TA_S$, for which optimal clock allocation can be computed in polynomial time, because the corresponding interference graphs are perfect. Finally, we discuss some of the difficulties in applying similar techniques to timed automata outside $TA_S$. 