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Enhanced BC

Context: Formal Verification of Timed Systems

Parametric timed automata, a formalism to model and verify concurrent real-time systems [Alur et al., 1993]



One procedure for verifying such that systems is Behavioral Cartography BC.

Distributing BC



- BC: is the algorithm, by iterative calls from integer points, it partition an n-dimension parameter space into subdomains of same behavior.
- Problem: BC is very slow! (up to several hours)
- Goal: distribute BC on a cluster to increase the computation speed

Point-based BC Algorithms



- **1** Sequential: Each point is sent to a worker sequentially
- 2 Random: Points selected randomly, then switches to Sequential
- 3 Shuffle: Similar to the Sequential, but the master must statically compute the array of all points, then shuffle all points, then store them back in array (new)

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Static:

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- Drawback: computing time depends on the slowest process

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Experimental conducted on a 2 clusters of Grid'5000:

- **1** Pastel(Located in Toulouse, FR): 140 nodes
- 2 Griffon(Located in Nancy, FR): 92 nodes

Each node's	Pastel	Griffon
Processors	2x Dual-core AMD	2x Quad-core Intel
	Opteron 2218@2.6GHz	Xeon L5420@2.5GHz
Memory (GB)	8	16
Interconnection	GigaEthernet	$\operatorname{GigaEthernet}$
network		+ 20G InfiniBand

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