

Formally verified deadlock detection in packet and wormhole networks

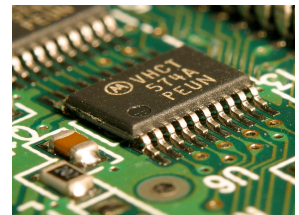
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Deadlock-free routing

- Deadlock freedom is an essential property for Networks-on-chips
- Manual deadlock detection is extremely error-prone



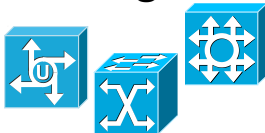
Switching	Complexity	Complete	Formally verified
Packet	$O(N^2)$	Yes	Yes
Wormhole	$O(N^3)$	No	Yes

Algorithms

Network



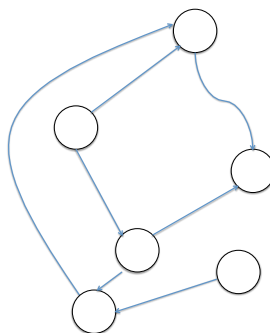
Routing



Switching policy

- ✓ Packet
- ✓ Wormhole

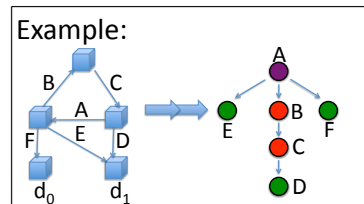
Resource dependency graph



Markings

Resource r is:

- Deadlock-immune (green)
- Deadlock-sensitive (red)
- Deadlock-attainable (purple)



Results

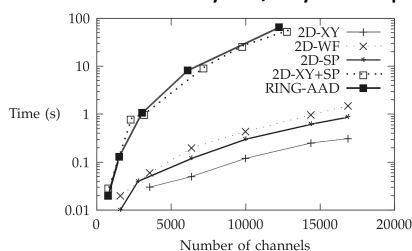
Implementation of algorithms in C

Topologies:

- Mesh/ring
- Virtual channels

Routing functions:

- Deterministic/adaptive
- Cyclic/acyclic dependencies



Source code and proof scripts:
http://www.cs.ru.nl/~freetver/dl_ic.html

Formal verification

Formally verified:

- Necessary and sufficient conditions
- Correctness of specification of algorithms



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