# Scalable Redundancy Detection for Real Time Requirements

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run: sequence of configurations:  $(p_0, \beta_0, \gamma_0, t_0), ..., (p_n, \beta_n, \gamma_n, t_n)$ 













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 $l_{err}^{j}$  is reachable if and only if the requirement is not redundant.  $l_{err}^{j}$  is not reachable if and only if the requirement is redundant

 $r_1$ : If sensor holds, then *light* holds after at most 3 time units.  $r_2$ : If sensor holds, then *light* holds after at most  $5$  time units.













## **Evaluation**



• Implemented as part of ULTIMATE REQANALYZER

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• 15 min timeout per requirement; AMD Ryzen 5 5600 6-Core CPU with 3.5 GHz and 30 GB RAM

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#### Future Work

- Extract explanations to support interpretation of redundancy analysis results
- Minimisation of Phase Event Automata
- Upcoming journal submission: Redundancy vs. Vacuity

[Formalization](https://ultimate-pa.github.io/hanfor/introduction/index.html#requirement-formalization)





## Deep Dive

Non-sink transitions of the totalized PEA:

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E^{t}(p) := \begin{cases} E(p) & \text{if } I(p) = I^{t}(p), \\ \{ (p, g^{t}, X, p') \mid (p, g, X, p') \in E \land g^{t} = (g \land \bigwedge_{(c_i < t_i) \in I(p)} c_i < t_i \} \\ \end{cases} \text{otherwise.}
$$

Guards for the sink transitions:

$$
g_{\perp}(p) := p_{\perp} \neg \bigvee_{(p,g,X,p') \in E^t} \left( g \wedge s'(p') \wedge \bigwedge_{\{\delta_c | \delta_c \in I_{<}(p') \wedge c \not\in X\}} \delta_c \right)
$$
  

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g_{\perp}^{in} := \neg \bigvee_{(g,p) \in E_0} (g \wedge s'(p))
$$

Sink transitions of the totalized PEA:

$$
\mathcal{E}_{\perp} := \bigcup_{p \in P} (p, g_{\perp}(p), \emptyset, p_{\perp}) \cup \{ (p_{\perp}, \mathit{true}, \emptyset, p_{\perp}) \}
$$