

We consider the clock synchronization problem in the (discrete) beeping model: Given a network of n nodes with each node having a clock value $\delta(v) \in \{0, \dots, T-1\}$, the goal is to synchronize the clock values of all nodes such that they contain the same value in any round.

We further assume *asynchronous activations* for all nodes, i.e., nodes start their protocol in different rounds, as the problem would be trivial otherwise.

We give an asymptotically optimal algorithm that runs in $4D + \lceil \frac{D}{4} \rceil \lfloor \frac{T}{4} \rfloor \cdot (T \bmod 4) = O(D)$ rounds, where D is the diameter of the network.

Once all nodes are in sync, they beep at the same round every T rounds.

The algorithm drastically improves on the $O(nD)$ -bound of [\cite{firefly_sync}](#).

Our algorithm is very simple as nodes only have to maintain 2 bits in addition to the $O(\log T)$ bits needed to maintain the clock.

Furthermore we investigate the complexity of *self-stabilizing* solutions for the clock synchronization problem: We first show a lower bound of $\Omega(\max\{T, n\})$ rounds on the runtime for any such protocol.

Afterwards we present a protocol that runs in $O(\max\{T, n\})$ rounds using at most $O(\log(\max\{T, n\}))$ bits at each node, which is asymptotically optimal with regards to both, runtime and memory requirements.