
Towards the Verification of Industry 4.0 Applications

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Industry 4.0

New manufacturing paradigm **where devices (IoT devices, sensors) are highly interconnected, forming a cyber-physical system.**

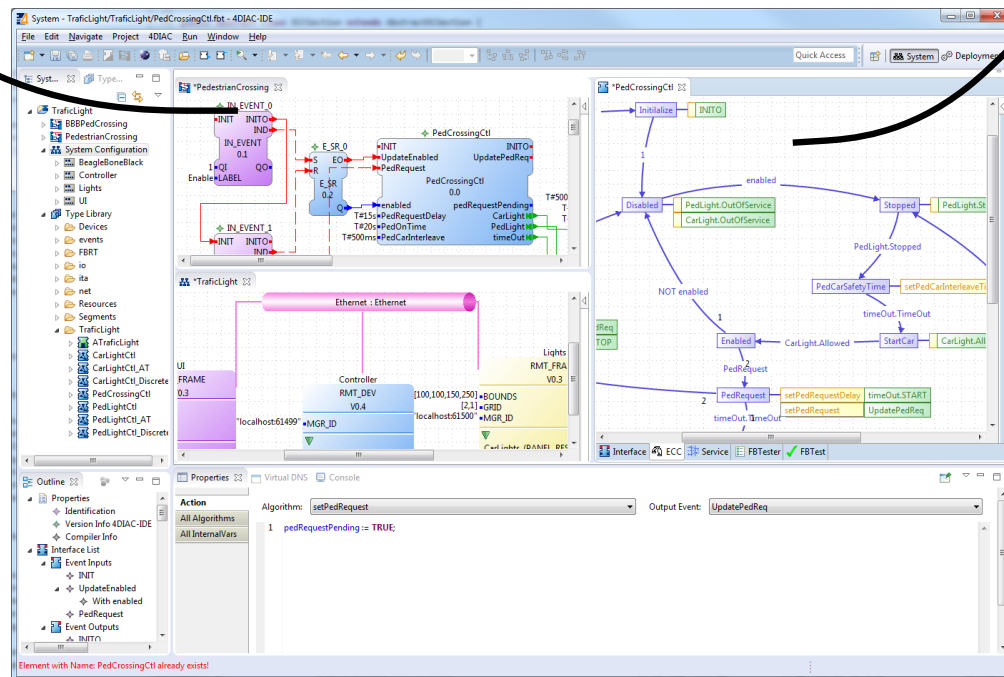
Smart Factory

- **Key features:** Interoperability, Information Transparency (raw data into high level data), Decentralized Decisions, Technical Assistance;
- **Examples:** Plug and Produce; using the cloud to optimize production, easy configuration of new production variants;
- **Fortiss Future Factory:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=202&v=Tkcv-mbhYqk

4Diac

Programming Industry 4.0 Applications using Models: 4Diac framework.

An application is composed by **function block** (FB) connected by **links**.
Links transmit **events** and **data** between FBs.

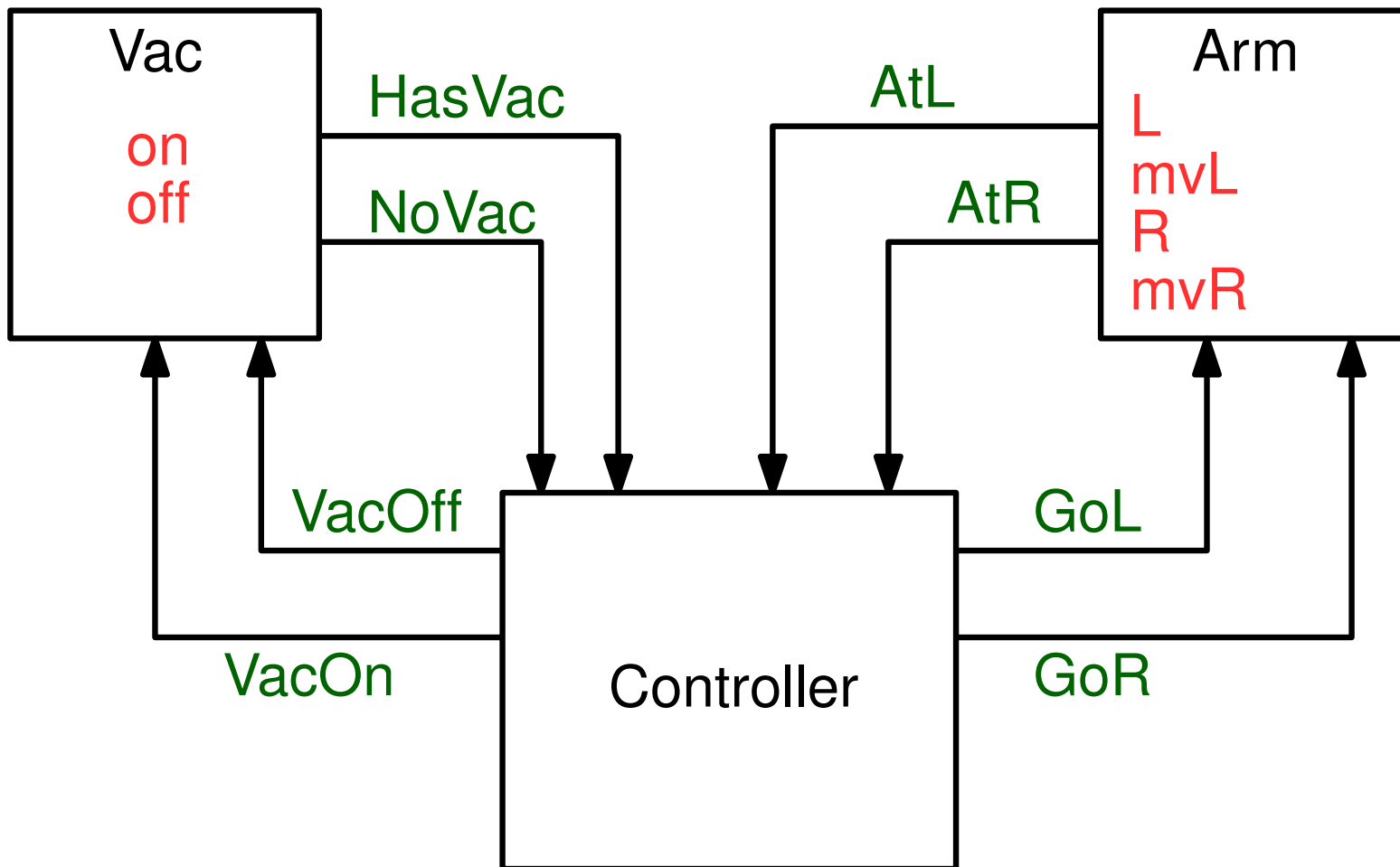


The **behavior** of the FB is specified by a **(deterministic)** Mealy Machine.

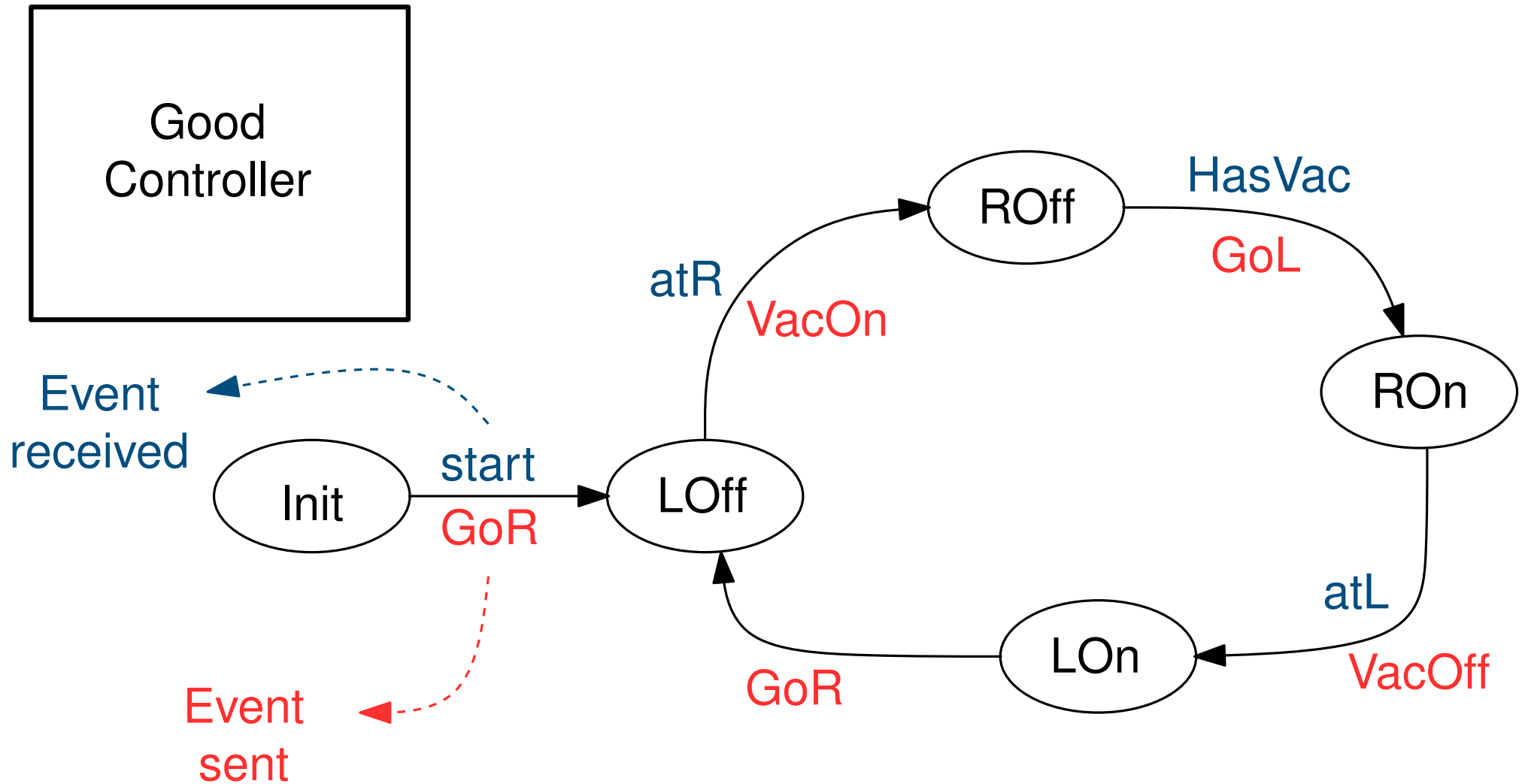
4Diac implements the **IEC 61499** standard for distributed industrial processes.

4Diac Modeling by Example

Application: Simplified PickNPlace



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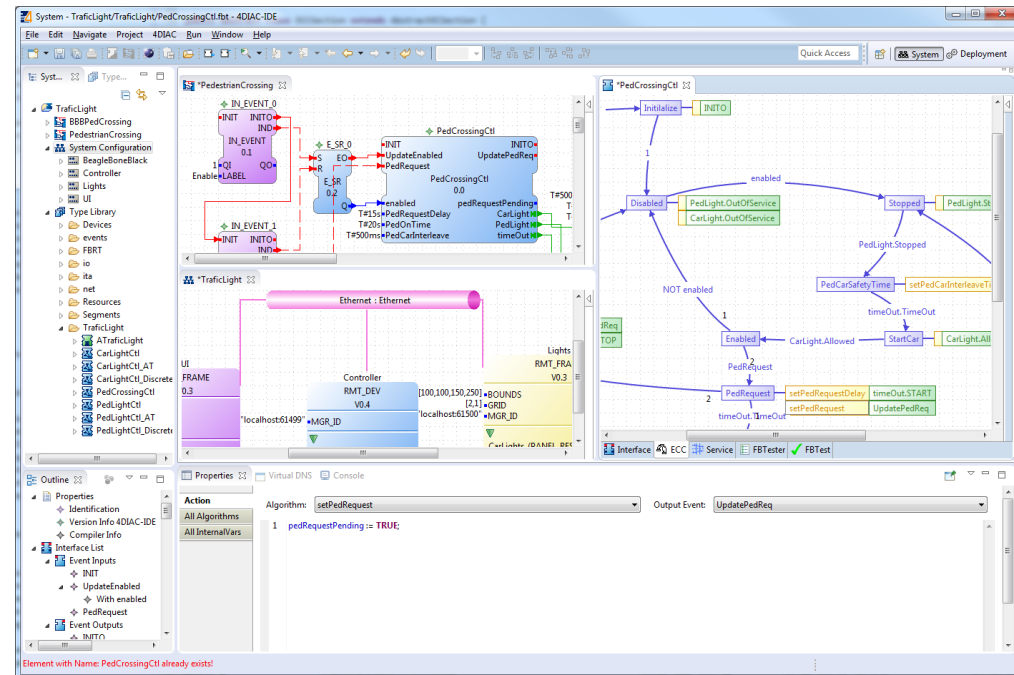
Challenges

Cyber Attacks can cause Catastrophic Events.

- Cyber-attacks were able to take control of a German mill;
- Ukrainian power-station disabled by a cyber-attack;
- Jeep hijacked by hackers;
- Cyber-attacks are able to disable car safety mechanisms.

Levels of Abstraction

- **Application Level:** Logical level without taking into account the deployment nor the network topology of the system.
- **System Level:** FBs are deployed into devices. The network topology is abstract. (**The colours of the FBs in 4Diac.**)
- **Network Level:** FBs are deployed into devices which are connected through a network topology. (Currently being implemented in 4Diac.)



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Vast number of examples where formal verification can help, including intruder models.

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New challenges for formal verification. Devices are weak devices. Powerful Dolev-Yao intruders are not realistic. **We need new intruder models with simpler decision problems.**

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Additionally, one can use network defences, such as, filtering **suspicious** messages.

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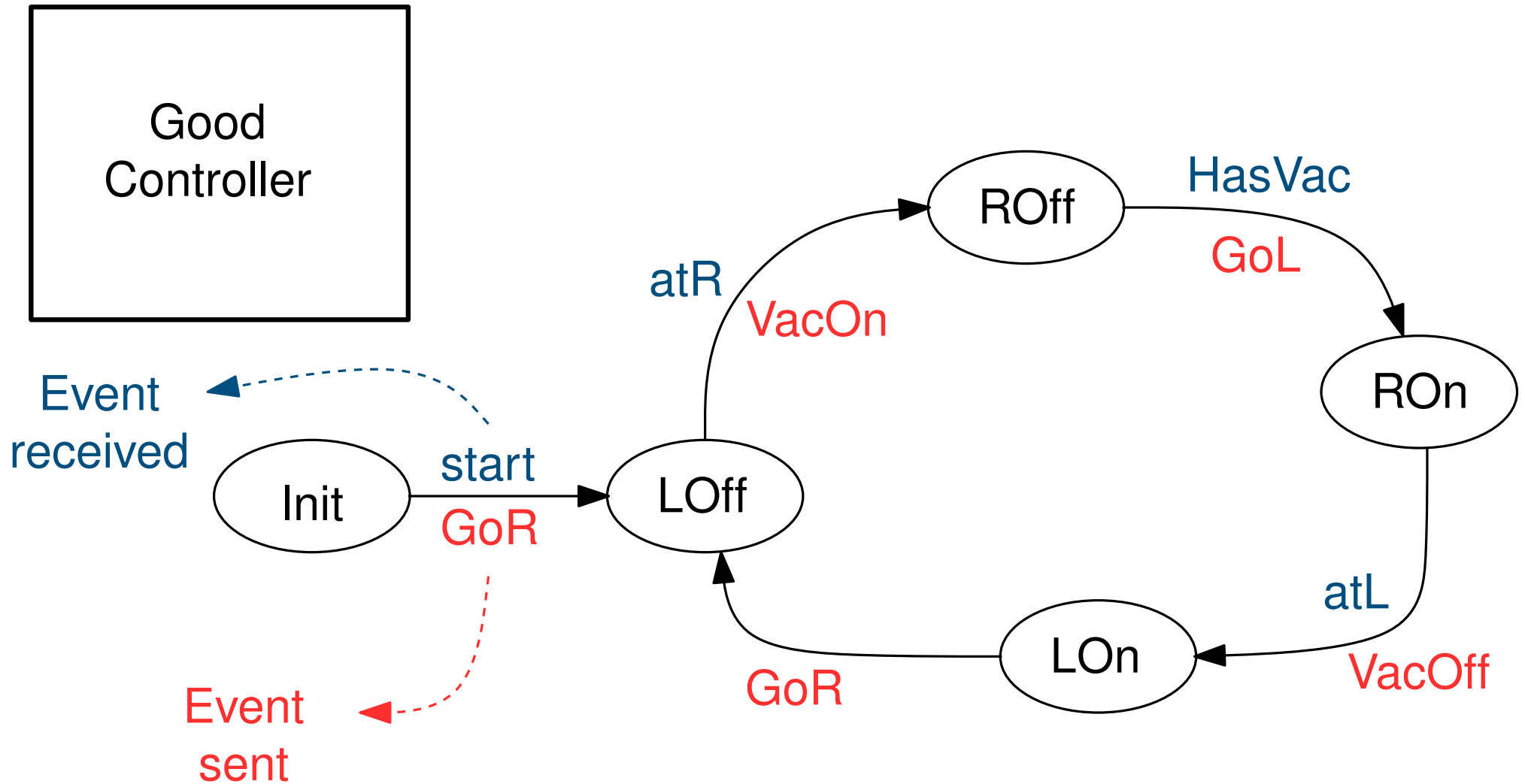
Overview

- We formally specified **an extension with security concerns** of 4Diac semantics in **Maude**.

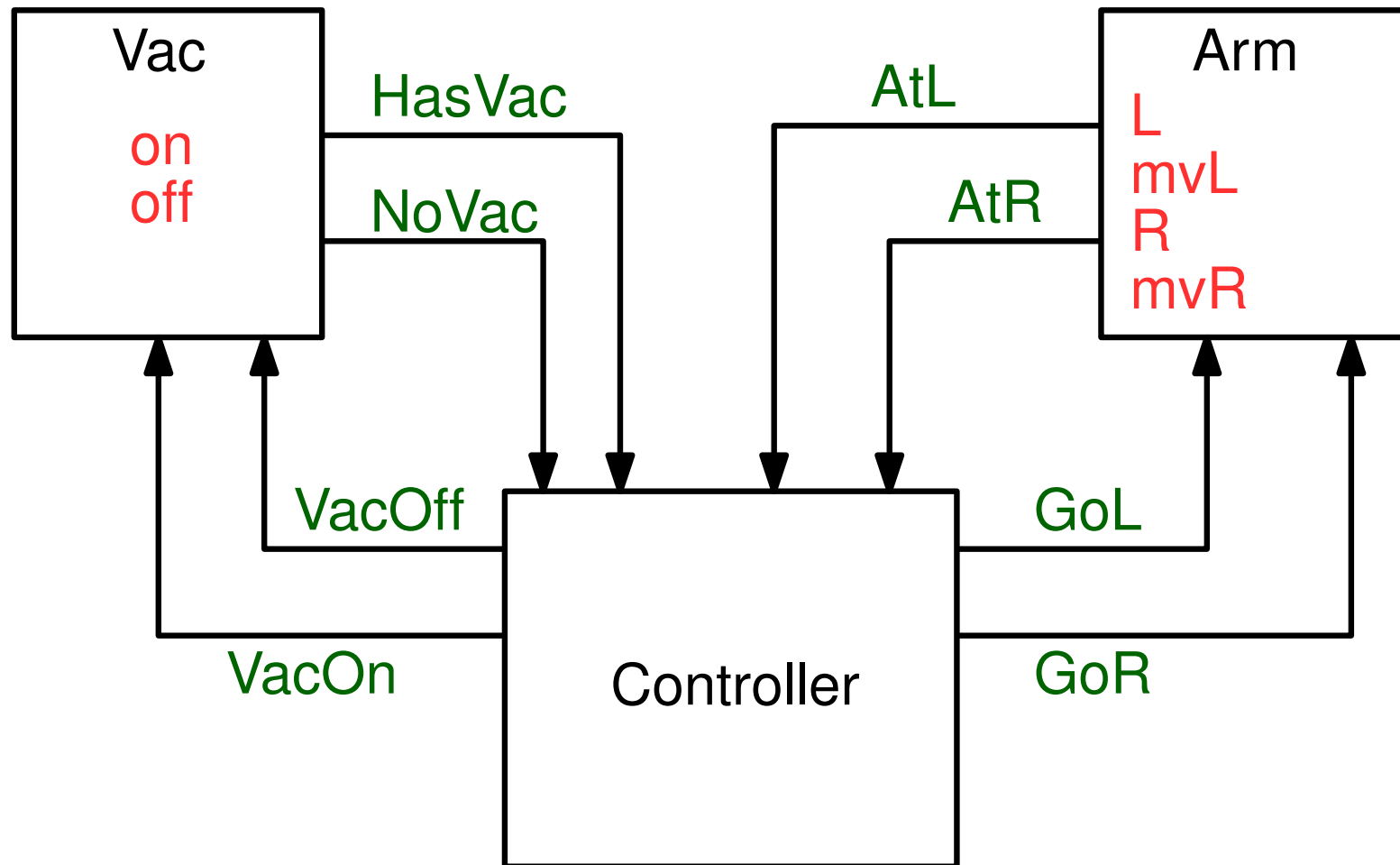
Features:

- **Feature 1 - Specification of Applications:** Model check for **logic errors** in the application;
- **Feature 2 - Deployment:** Deployment of applications in **systems** (sets of devices) as well as in **networks** (sets of devices connected through switches);
- **Feature 3 - Intruders:** Specification of intruders that can **inject messages into channels**;
- **Feature 4 - Defensive Wrappers:** Specification of wrappers relying on **signed messages**;

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Bad State: Arm in state **mvL** and Vac in state **off** as may lead to the safety hazard of dropping the cap.

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Encoding of example in Maude:

Configurations

```
applnit = [[app, fb(vac, st("off"), none, none)
             fb(track, st("L"), none, none)
             fb(ctl, st("init"), none, none)
             {{ctl, inEv( "start")}, ev("start")}, none]]
```

Function Block States

Input messages to be processed

State Transitions specified as equations

```
tr(st("init"), st("LOff"), inEv("start") is ev("start"), outEv("GoR") :~ev("GoR"))
```

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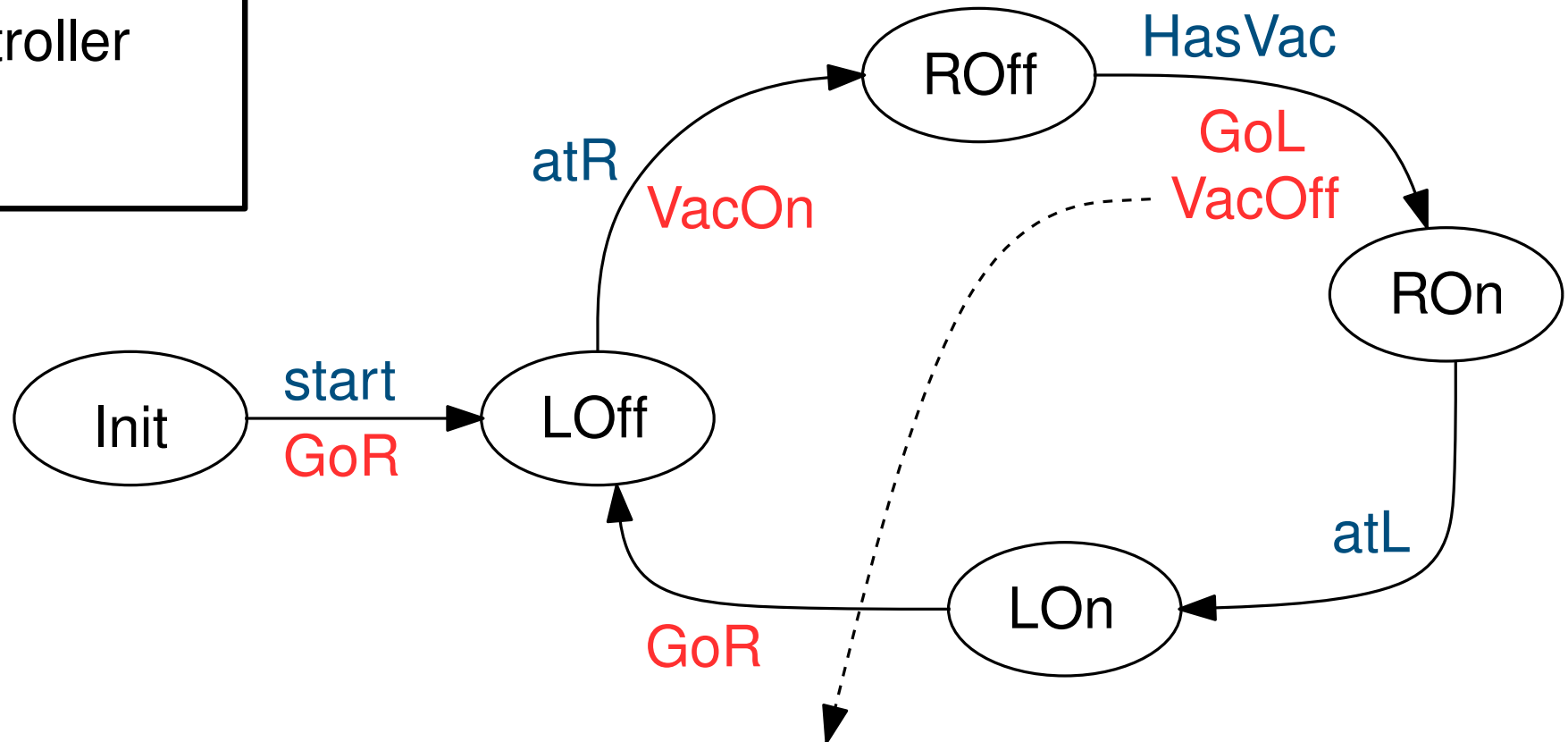
Encoding of example in Maude:

Operational Semantics specified as rewrite rules over configurations

```
cr1[app-exe1]: [[id,fbs,iMsgs,none]]  
  =>  
  [[id,deliverToFBs(fbs,iMsgs),none,none]]  
  if not (iMsgs == none) .
```

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Bad
Controller



May lead to a bad state depending on which event is processed first.

4Diac Modeling by Example

- **Feature 1 - Specification of Applications:** Model check for logic errors in the application;

- badapplnit is the configuration with the bad controller.

search badapplnit $\Rightarrow^*$ app such that badState(app) .

Finds 4 ways of reaching a bad state in less than 2ms traversing 35 states.

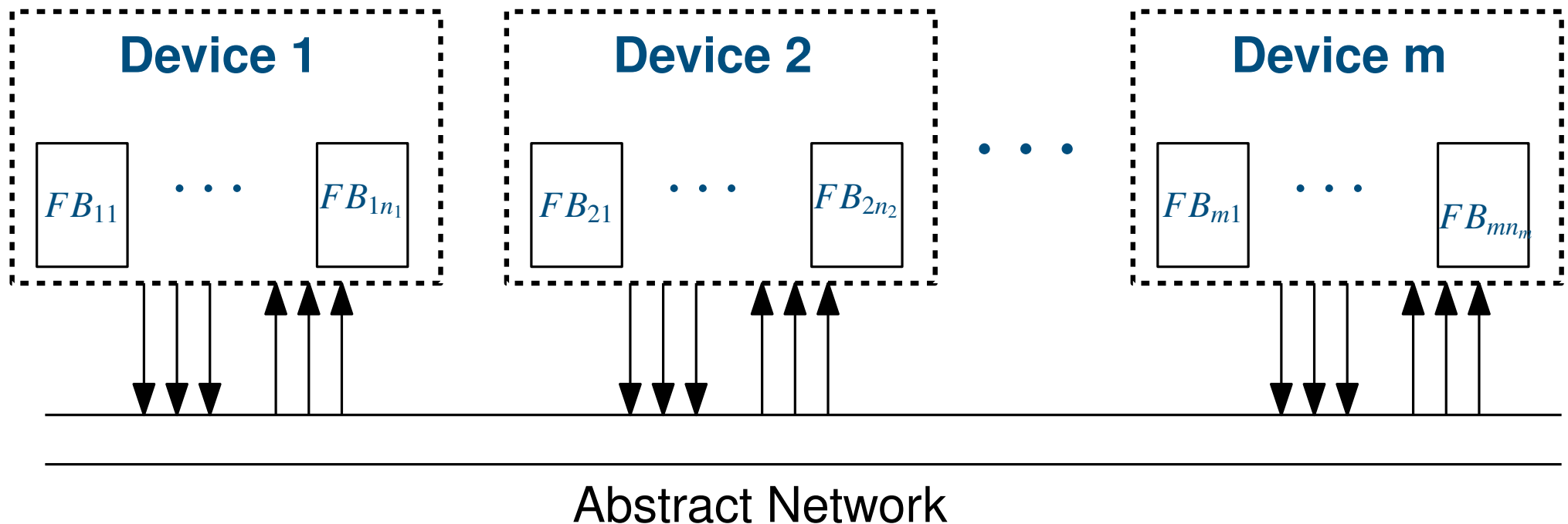
- applnit is the configuration with the good controller.

search applnit $\Rightarrow^*$ app such that badState(app) .

Determines that there is no way to reach a bad state in 1ms traversing 36 states.

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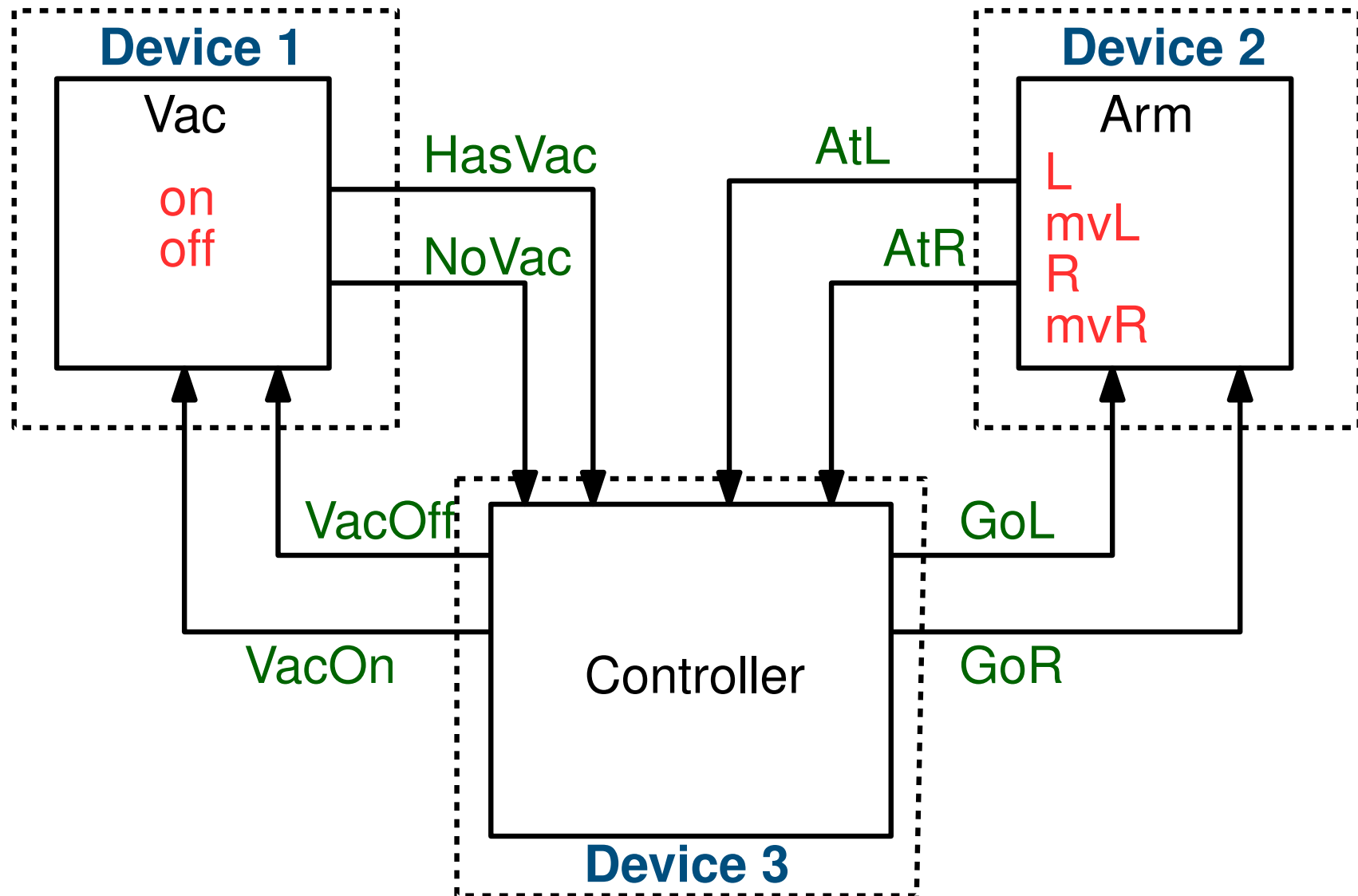
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Deployment is computed automatically from the applications and a function block to device mapping.

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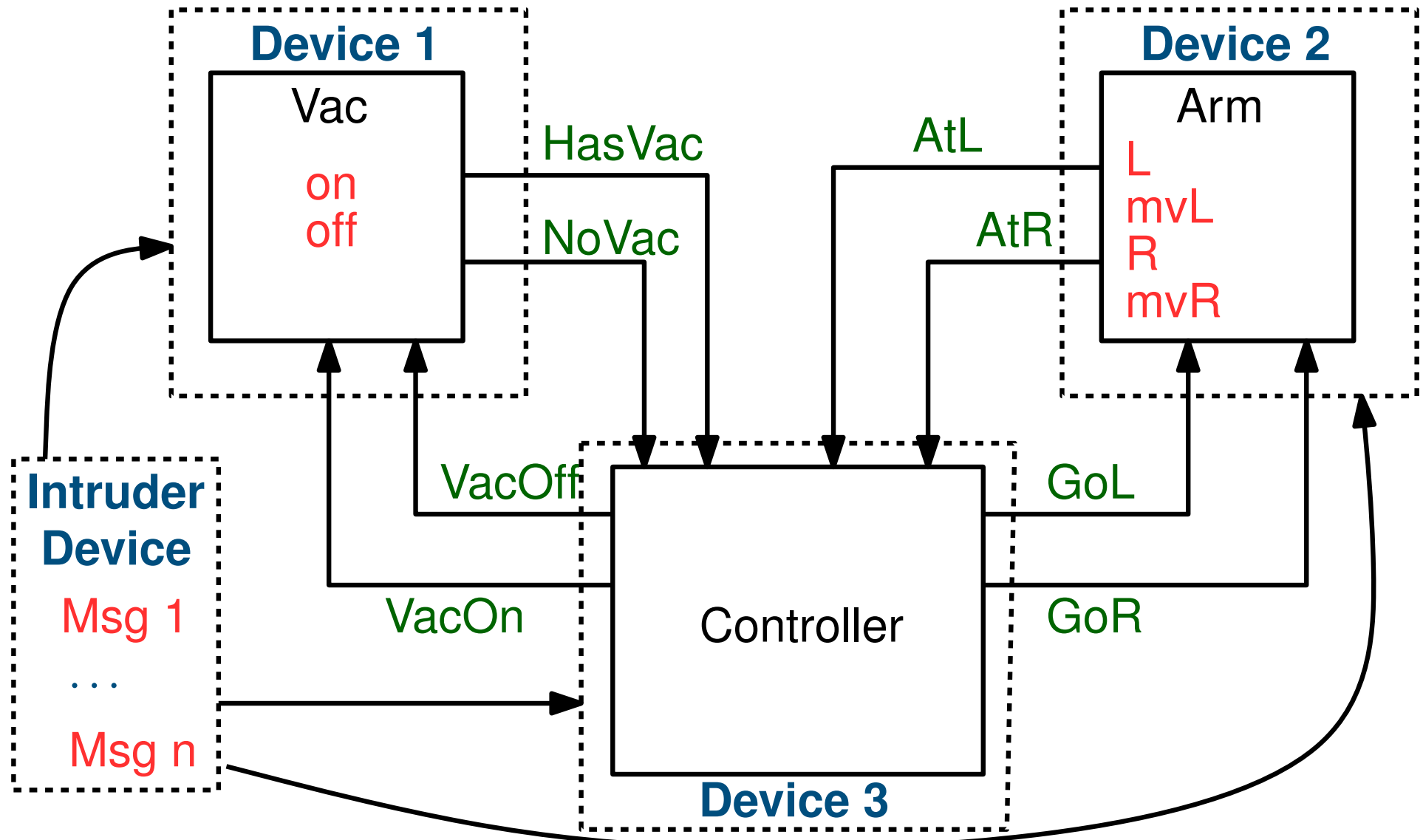
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- Intruder can **inject at any time any** anyone of the messages Msg 1, ..., Msg n in the system.
- In the current implementation, intruders can only use a message once. **On the one hand, it reduces state space**, but **on the other hand, it reduces the capabilities of the intruder.**

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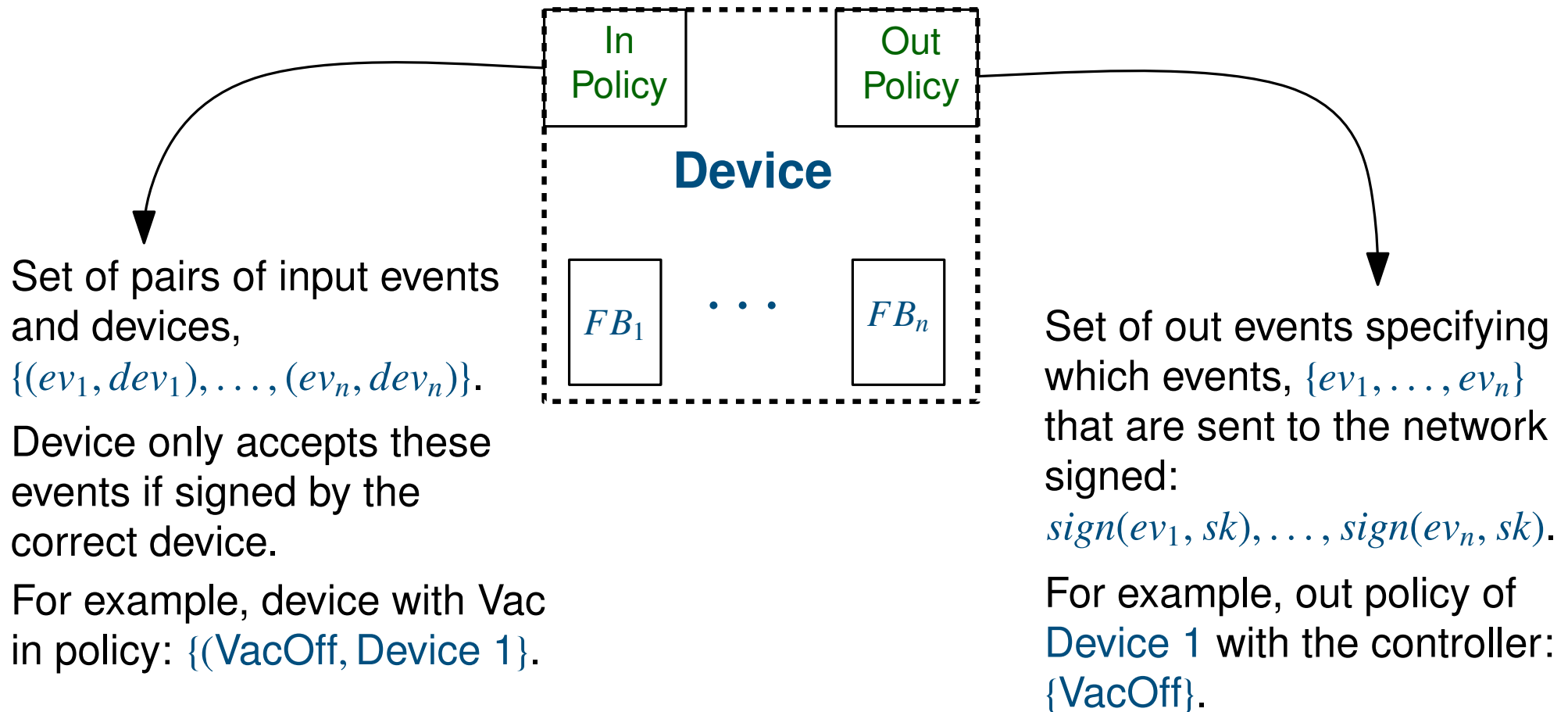
- Intruder possess only one message:
`{{dev3,{ctl,outEv("VacOff")}}, {dev1,{vac,inEv("VacOff")}}, ev("VacOff")}` .

`search wsysIntruderNoPol =>* wsys such that badState(wsys) .`

Finds 7 attacks in less than 4ms traversing 154 states.

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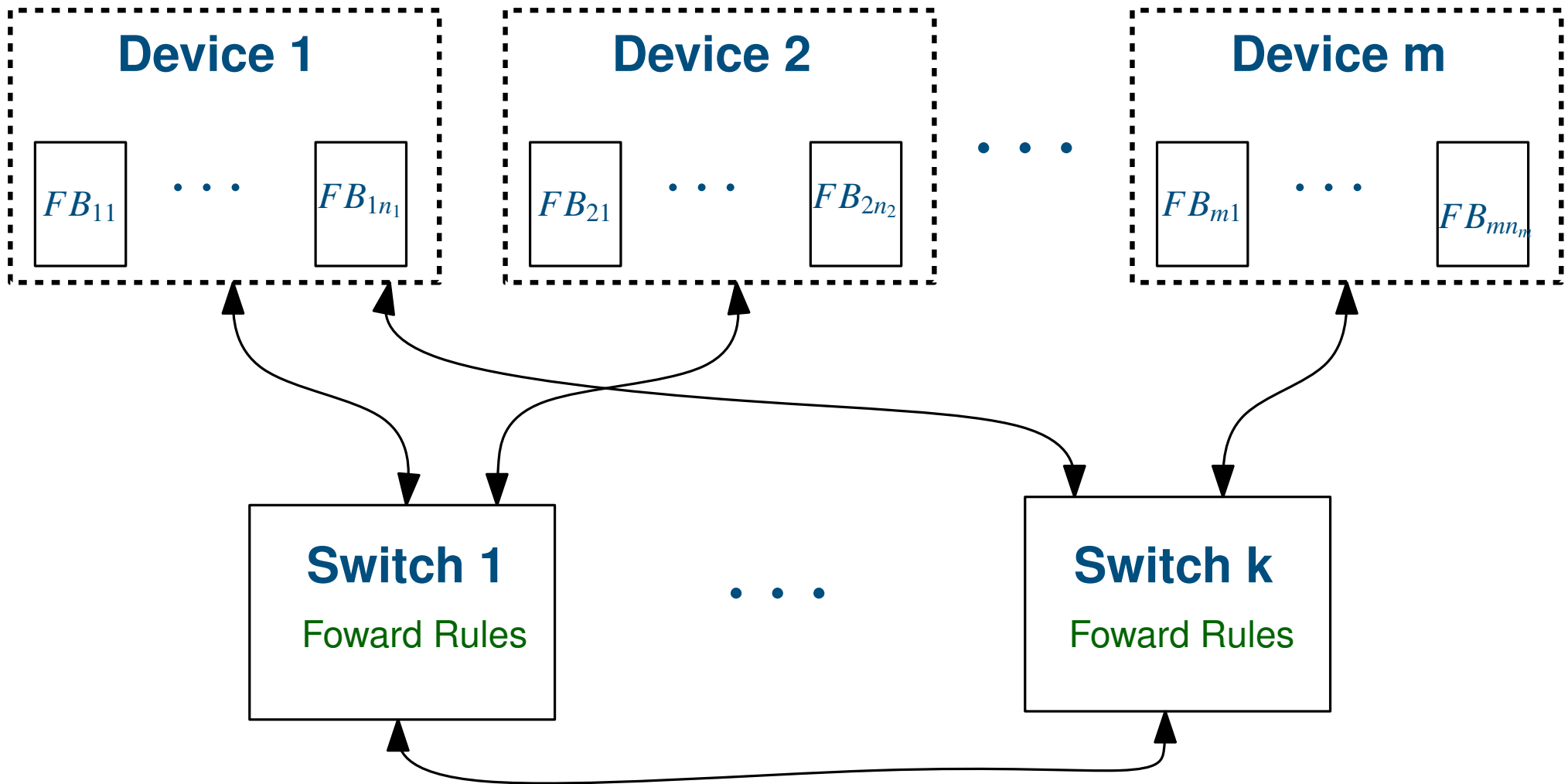
- Intruder possess only one message:
`{{dev3,{ctl,outEv("VacOff")}}, {dev1,{vac,inEv("VacOff")}}, ev("VacOff")}` .
- Devices with defensive wrappers.

`search wsysIntruderPol =>* wsys such that badState(wsys) .`

Check that there are no attack in less than 4ms traversing 38 states.

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Configuration: netIntruderNoPol

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`{{dev3,{ctl,outEv("VacOff")}},{{dev1,{vac,inEv("VacOff")}},ev("VacOff")}` .
- **Devices without defensive wrappers;**
- Devices connected through one switch.

`search netIntruderNoPol =>* nsys such that badState(nsys) .`
Finds 12 attacks in around 60ms traversing 488 states.

Configuration: netIntruderPol

- **Devices with defensive wrappers;**

`search netIntruderPol =>* nsys such that badState(nsys) .`
Concludes that there are no attacks in 25ms traversing 200 states.

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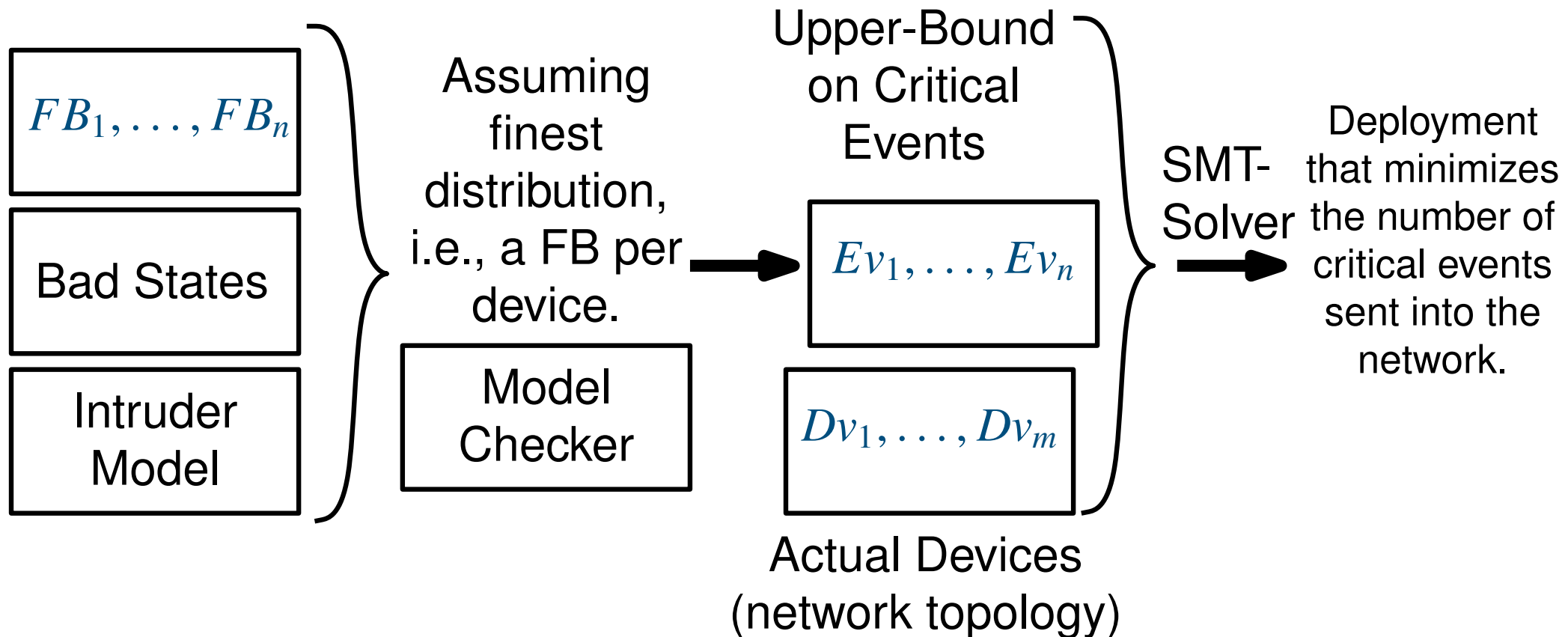
Checks that no attack is possible in 13ms traversing 98 states.

Other uses of Formal Verification

Deployment Optimization: Encryption is **heavy and undersirable** as it leads to delays. Unfeasible for applications such as the **Tomato Separator**:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EBddJjYNp0g>

Our Idea (still under development)



Further Questions

Issues / Questions

- Performance:
 - TSN communication;
 - What is the impact of signature? Weaker signature schemes?
- Defenses using Network:
 - Can we use firewall to mitigate attacks, by, e.g., isolate sub-nets?
 - Port Security?
- Intruder Model:
 - Is it running on a good device?
 - Is it running on its own device?
 - What information can we rely on the HW/wiring to provide that is not fungible?

Future Work

- Model defenses for switches: firewalls?, SDN rules?
- Decision problems and complexity results;
- Include data channels;
- Stronger Intruder Models: Symbolic Analysis
- Stronger defensive wrappers;
- Investigate scalability;
- Extend model with TSN.

Questions?