

# Formal models in industry standard tools: An Argos block within Simulink

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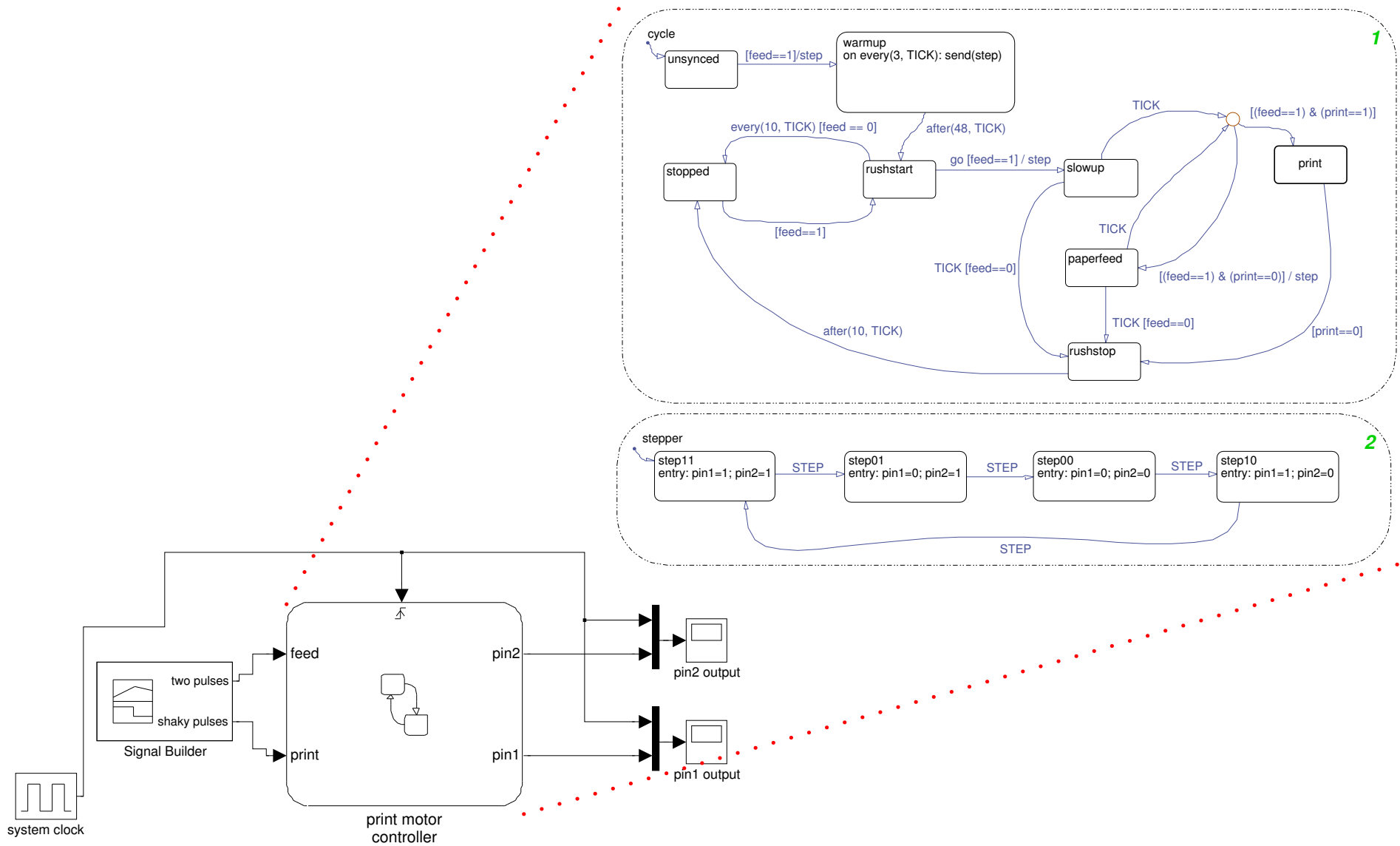
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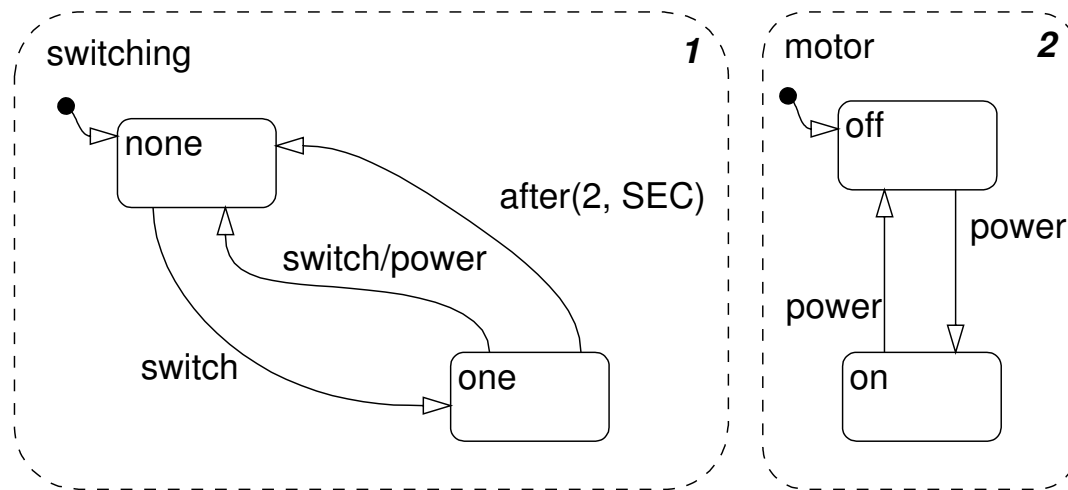
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# HYBRID = CONTINUOUS + DISCRETE



# Stateflow



Many Statecharts features:

- hierarchy
- parallelism
- history junctions

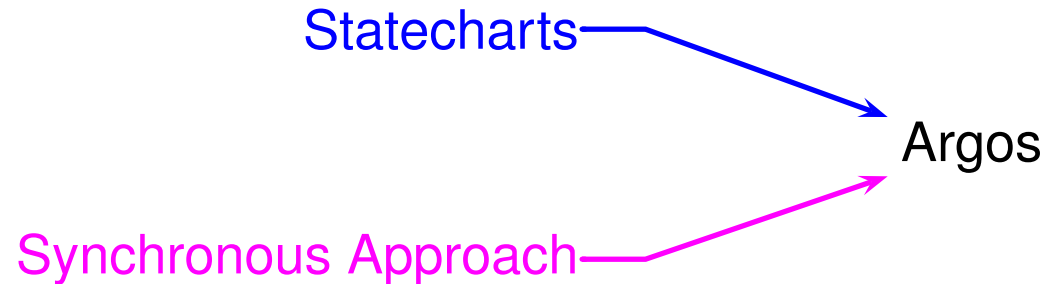
Flowchart-like transitions:

- sequencing
- branching
- loops

## **Thinking/communicating about designs is involved:**

1. intricate ordering rules
2. queued event processing
3. stacking of communications
4. implicit assumption of synchrony

# Argos: a synchronous language



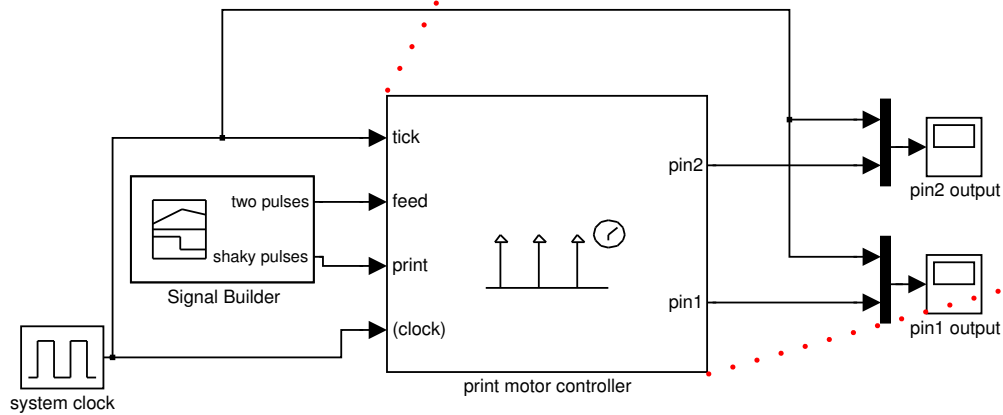
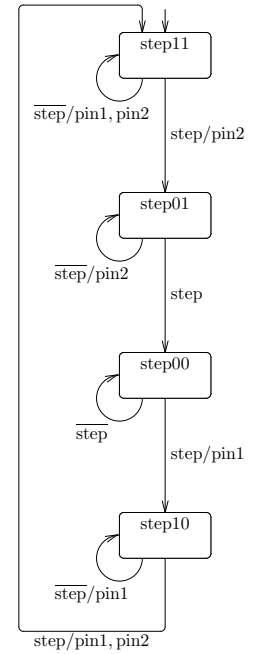
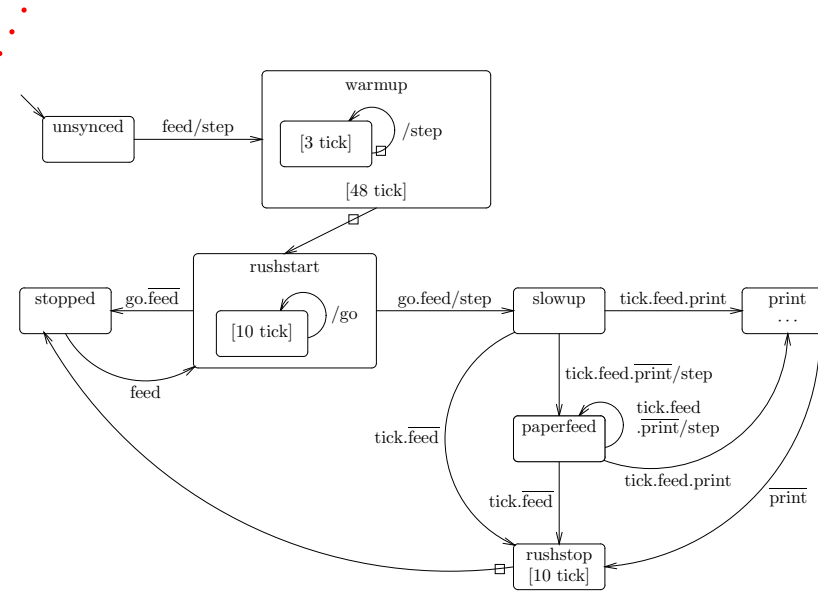
- Mealy machines
- Hierarchy
- Parallelism
- Discrete reactions
- Well-defined internal behaviour

- Esterel, Lustre, Signal
- CMA, INRIA, Verimag, IRISA

**Argos is a synchronous version of Statecharts.**

- Developed by Maraninchi and Rémond [Mar91, MR01].
- Well suited to **some** reactive programming tasks.

# An Argos block: Syncblock

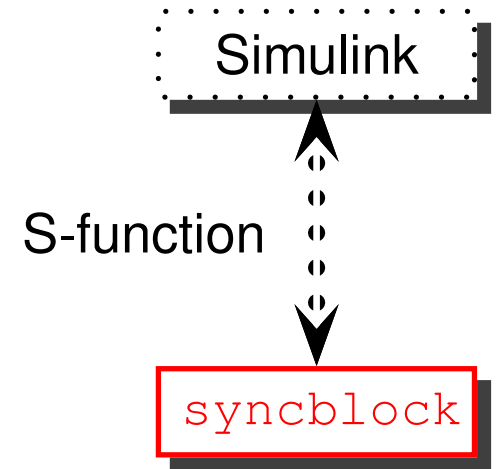


[CCM<sup>+</sup>03, SSC<sup>+</sup>04]

# Syncblock Implementation

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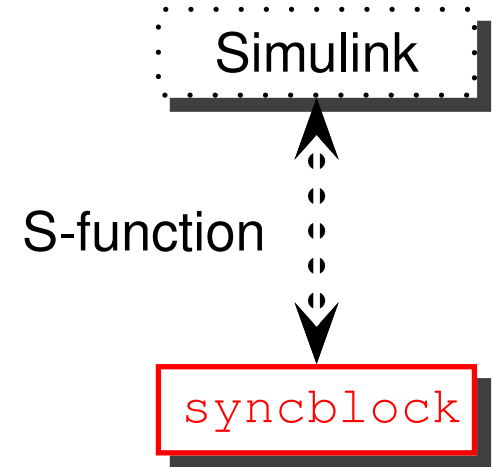
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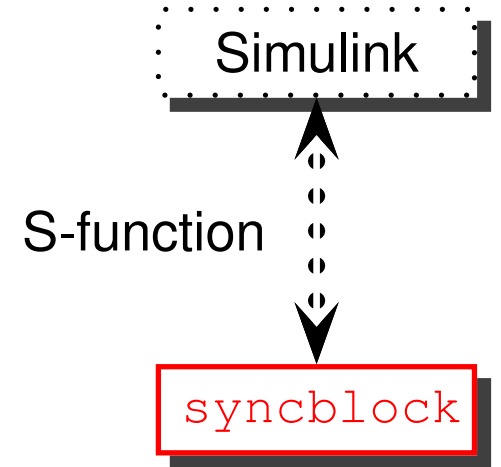


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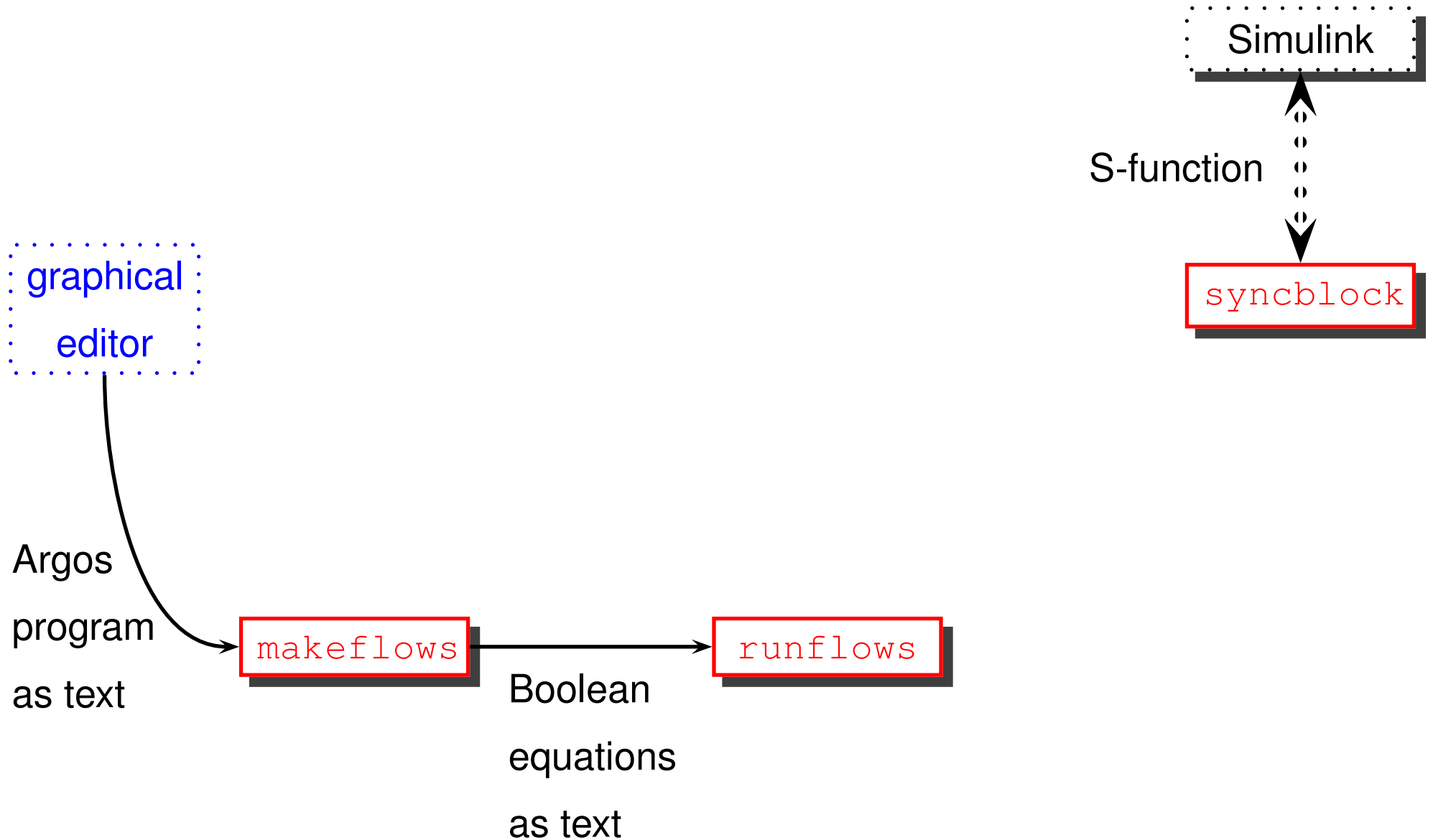
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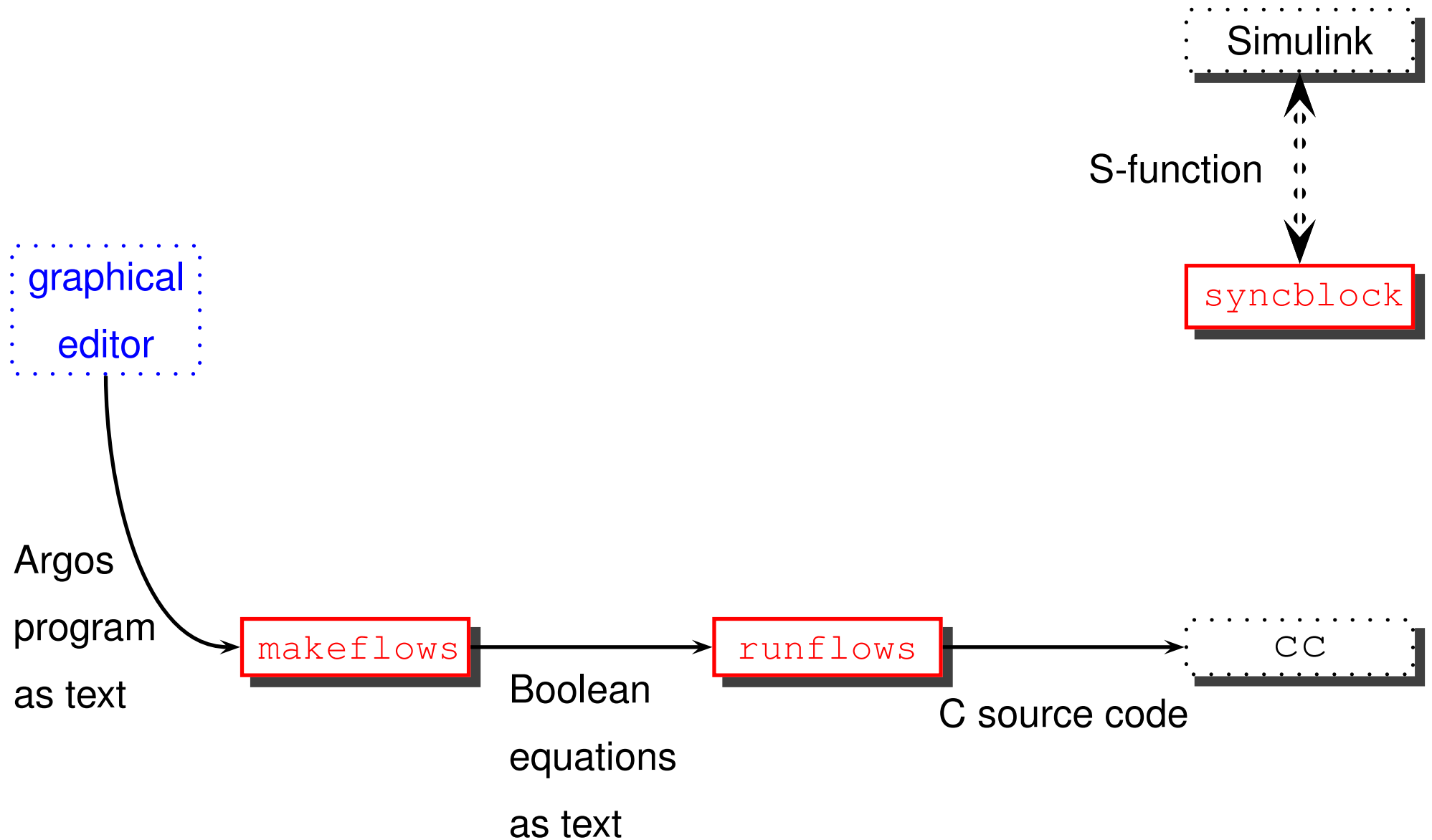
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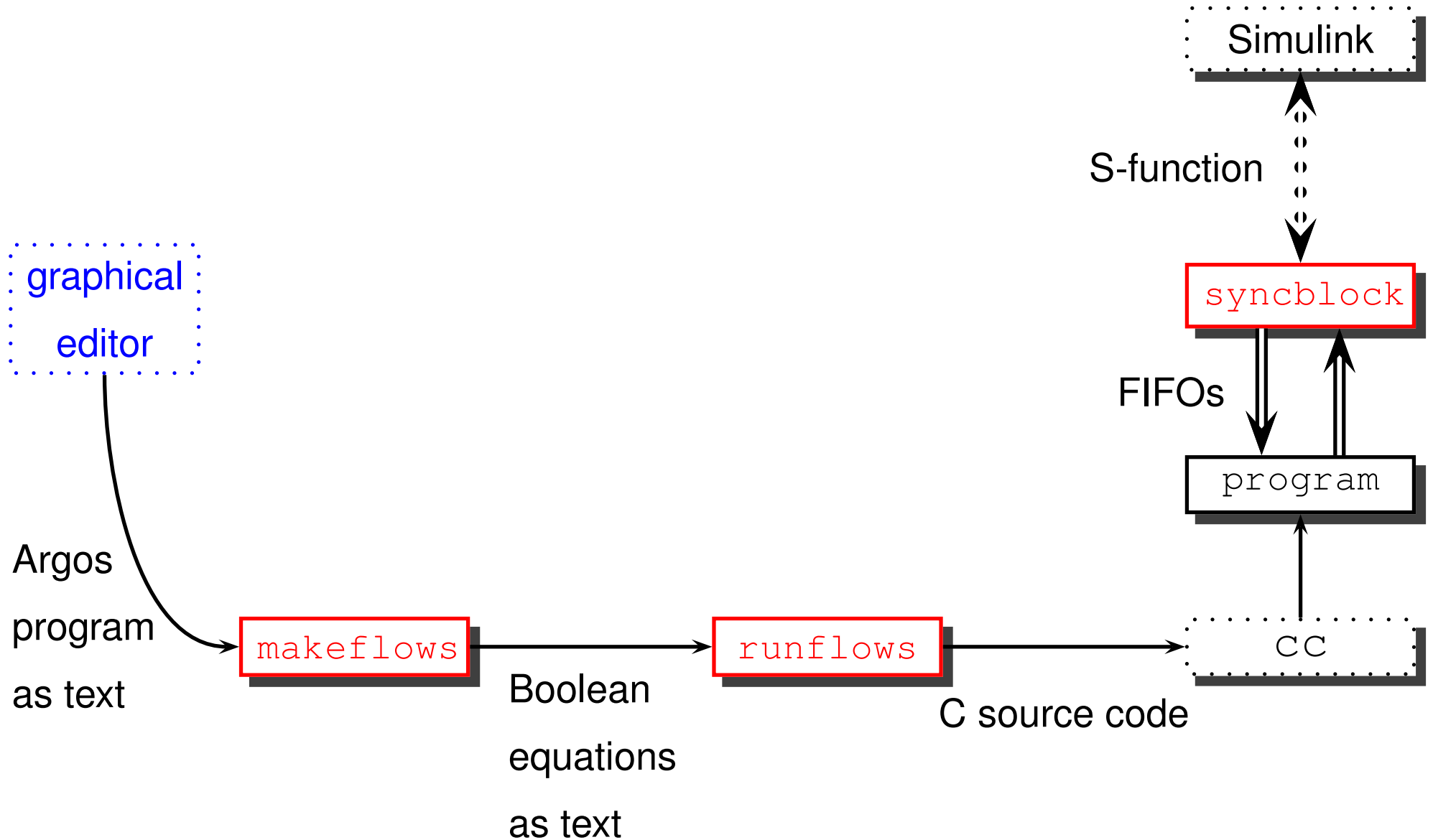
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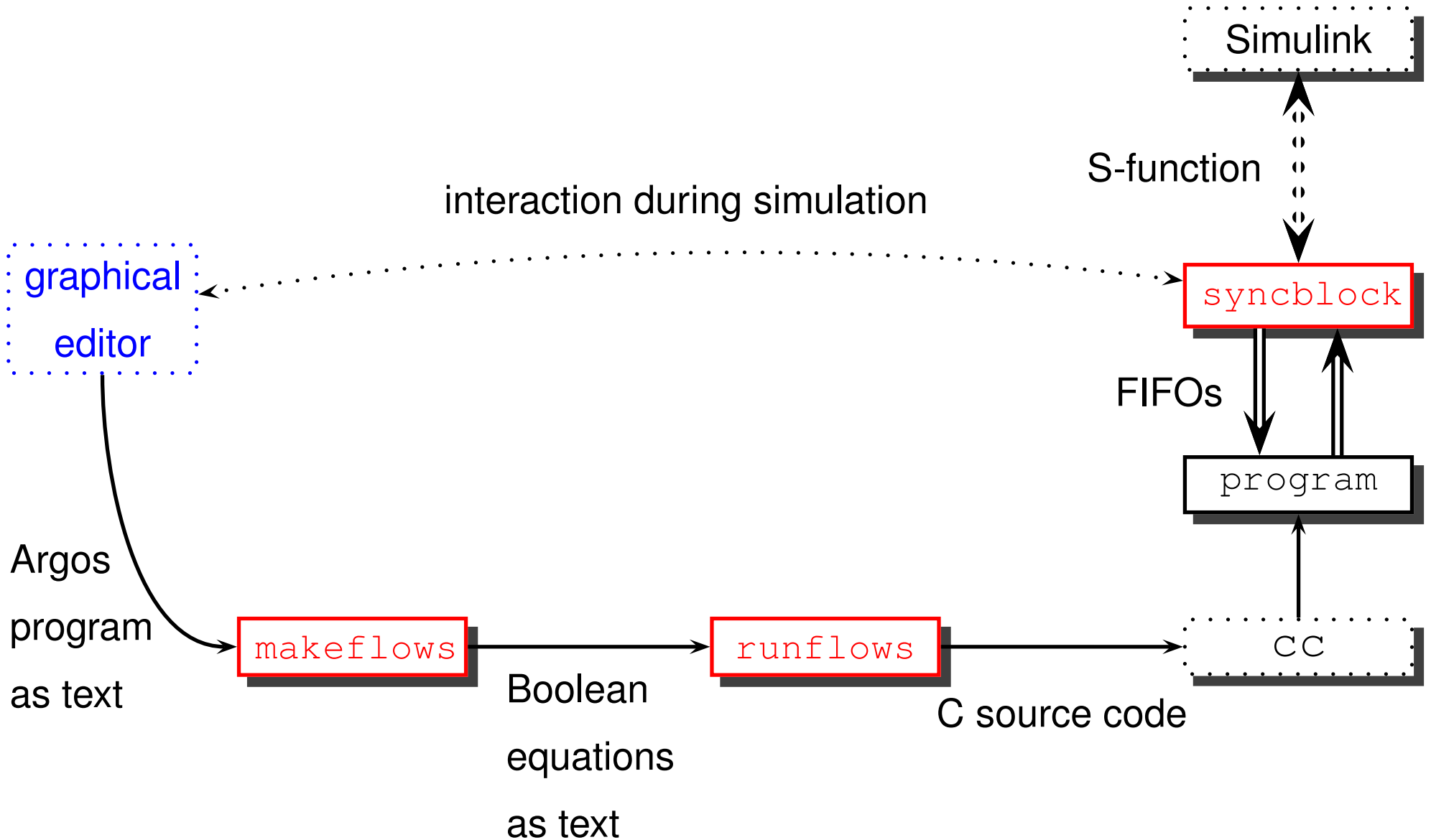
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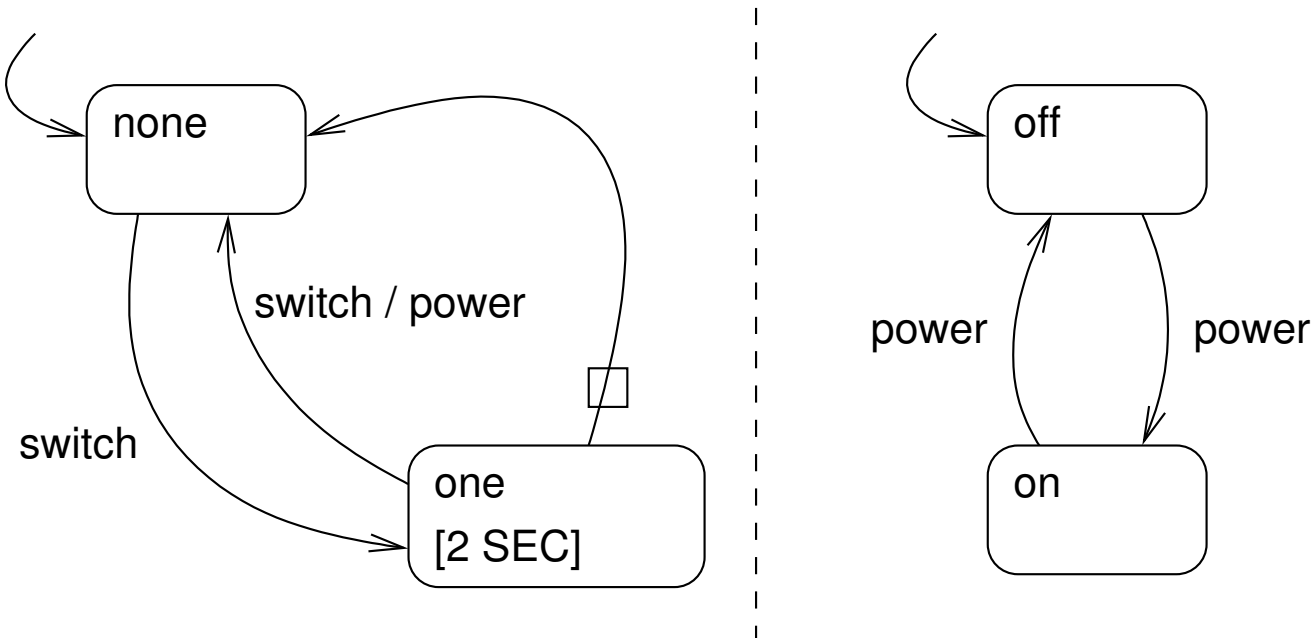
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# Compilation [MH96]



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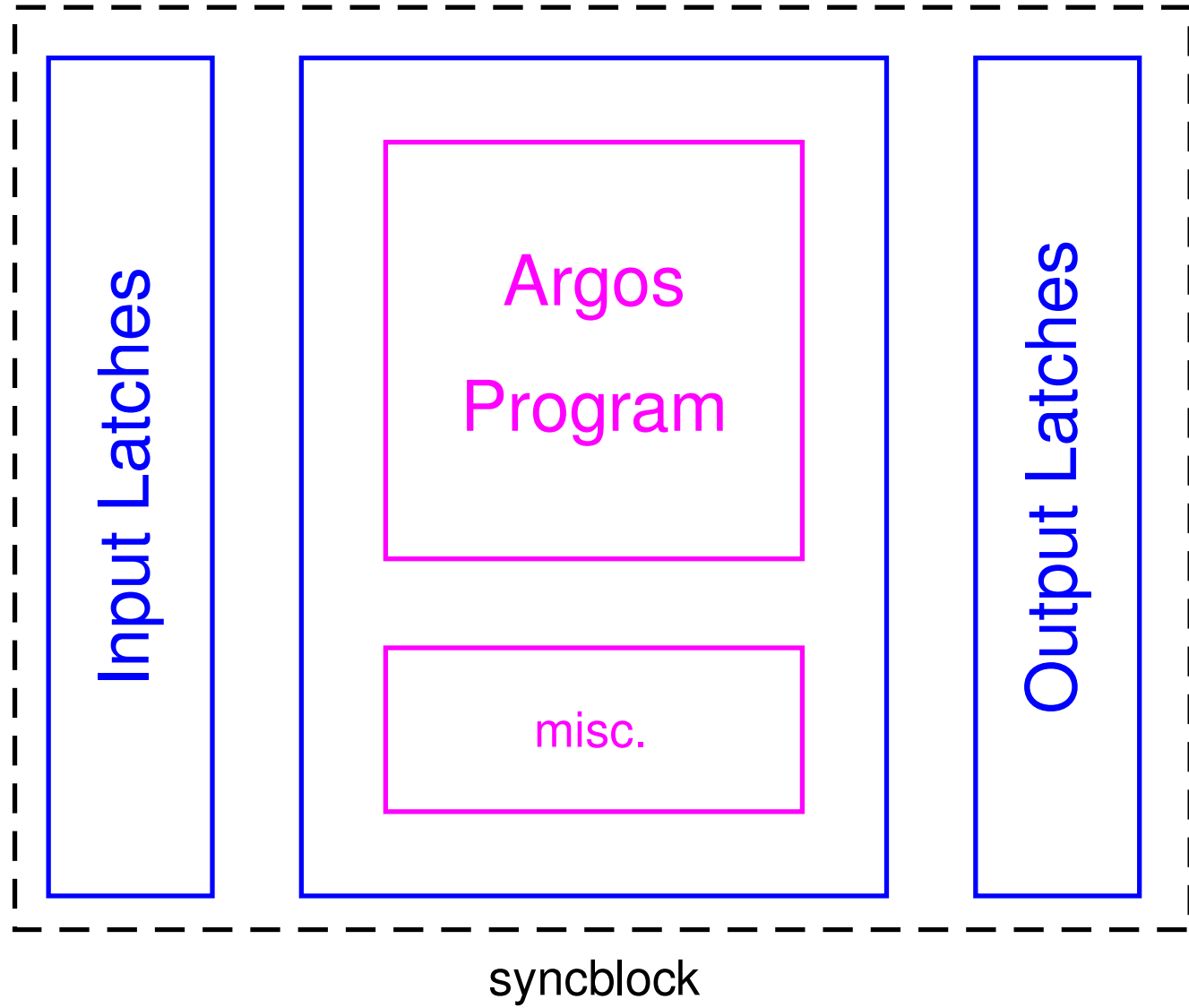
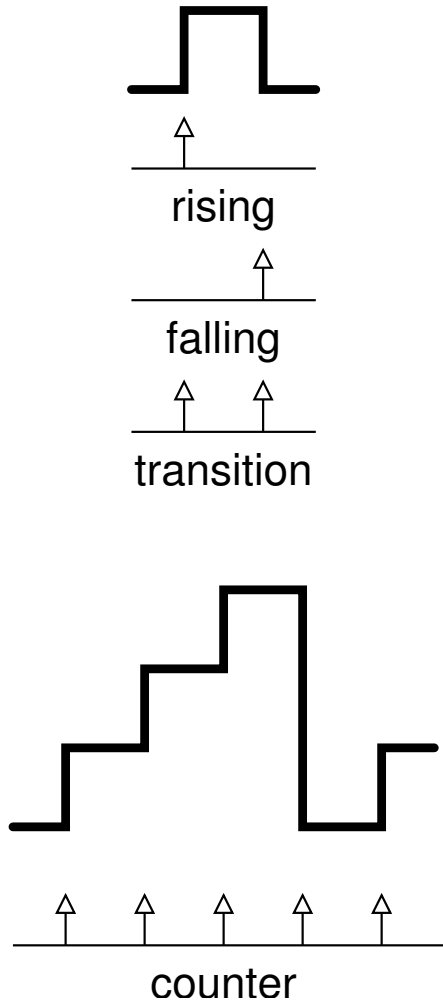
none' = (one && timeout && !switch) || (one && switch)  
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off' = (off && !power) || (on && power)

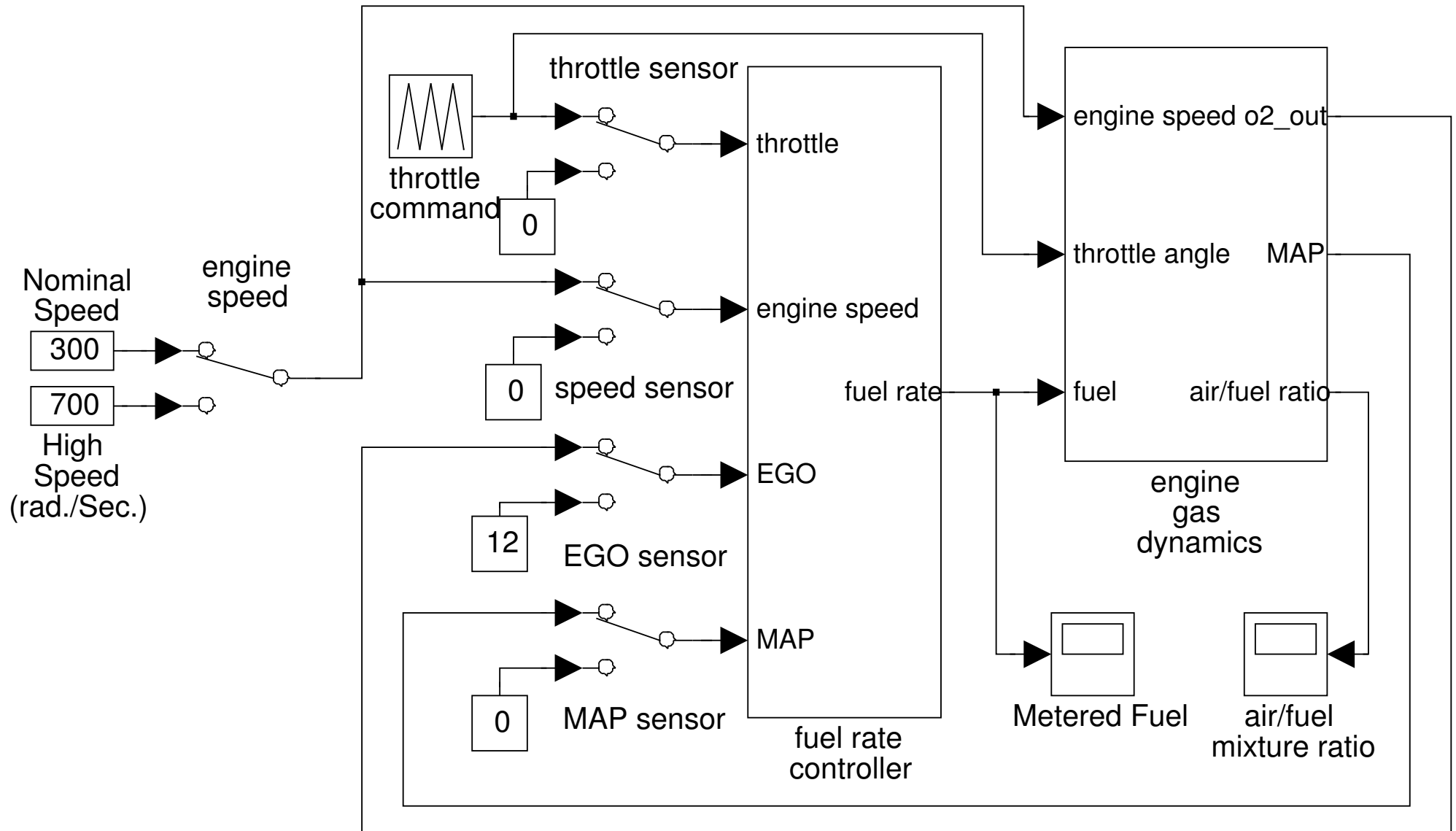
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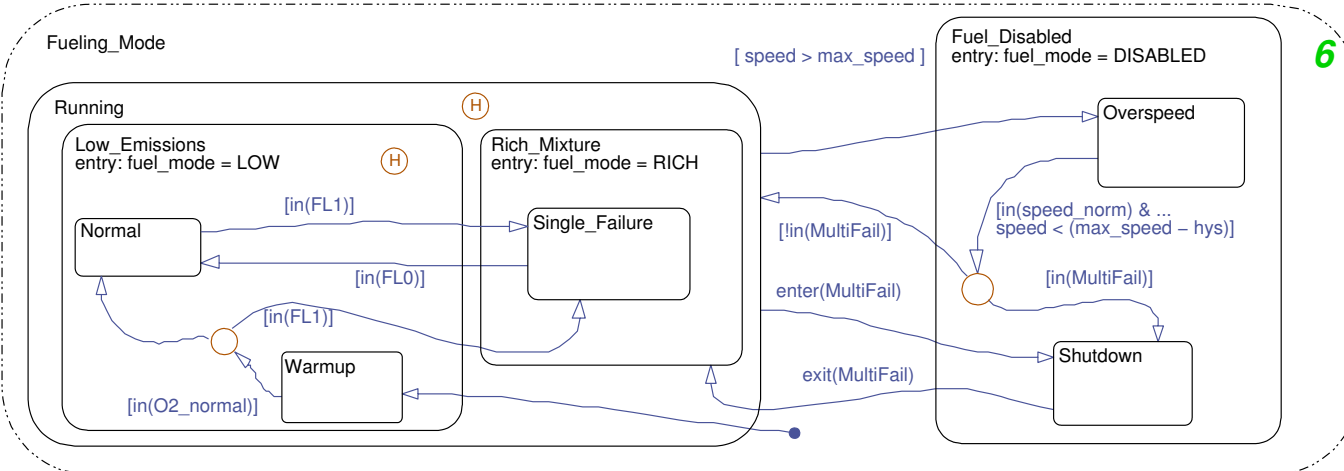
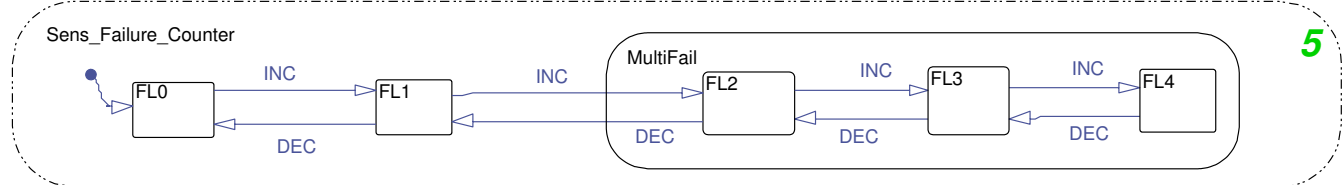
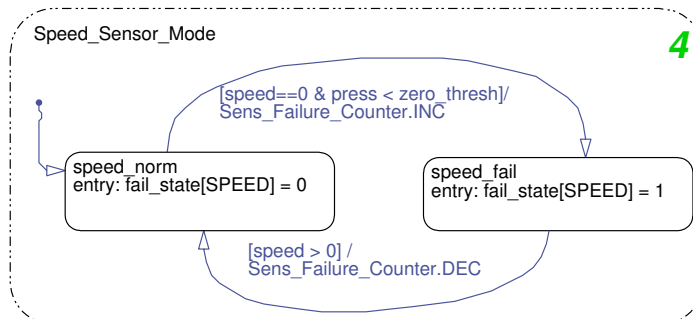
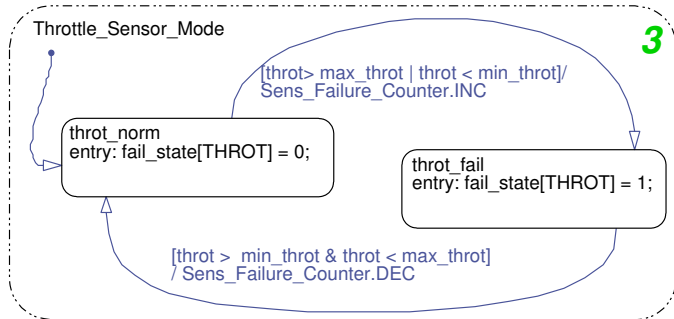
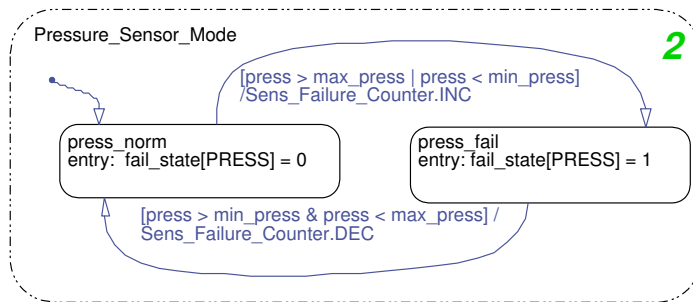
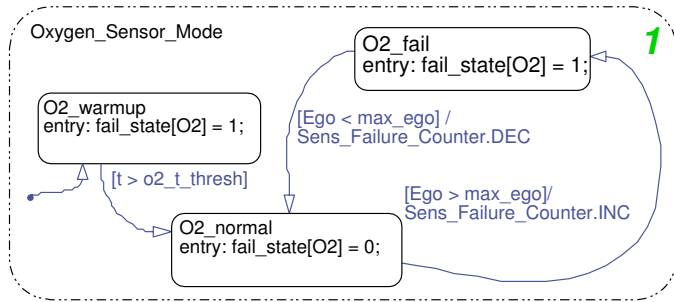
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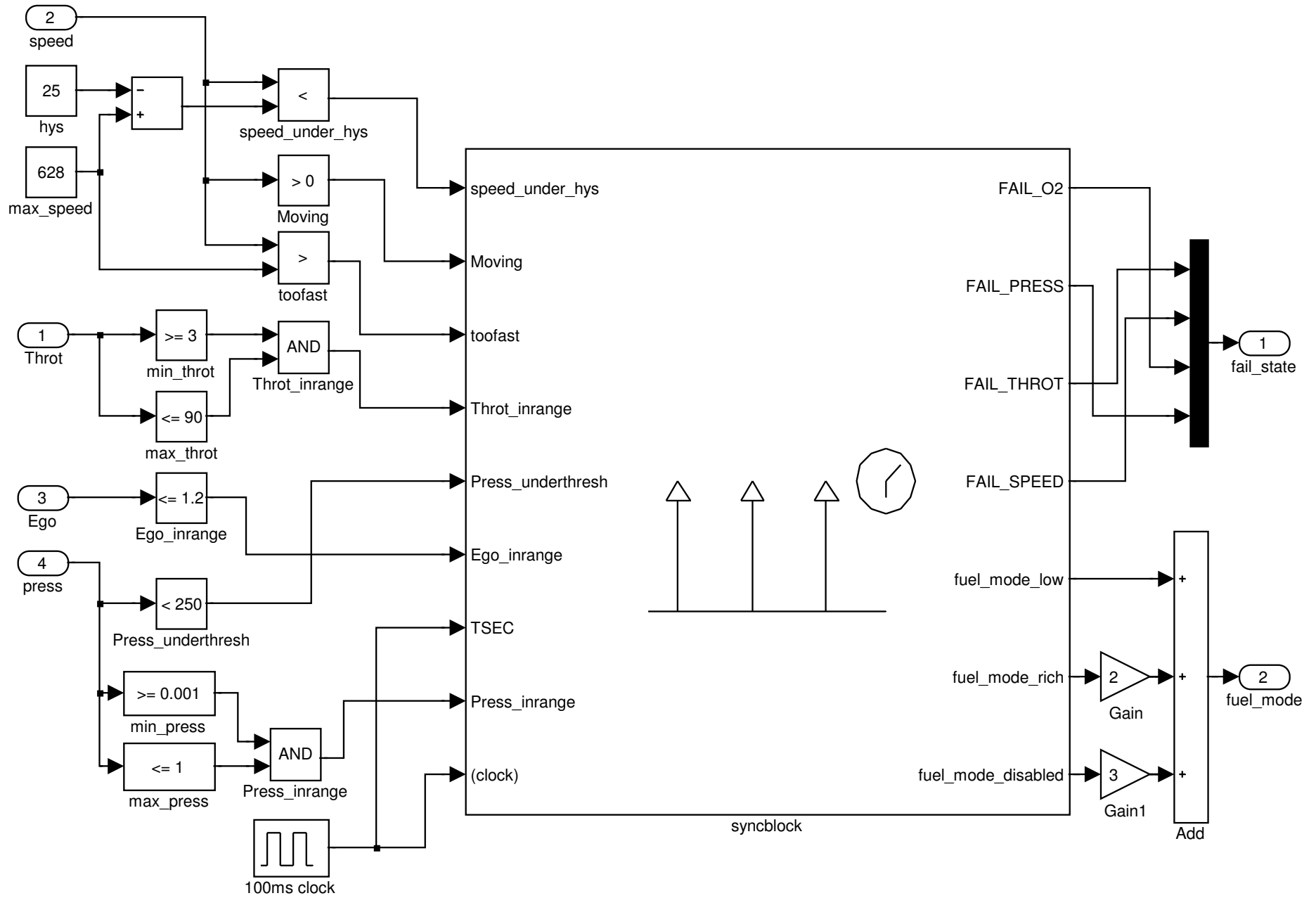


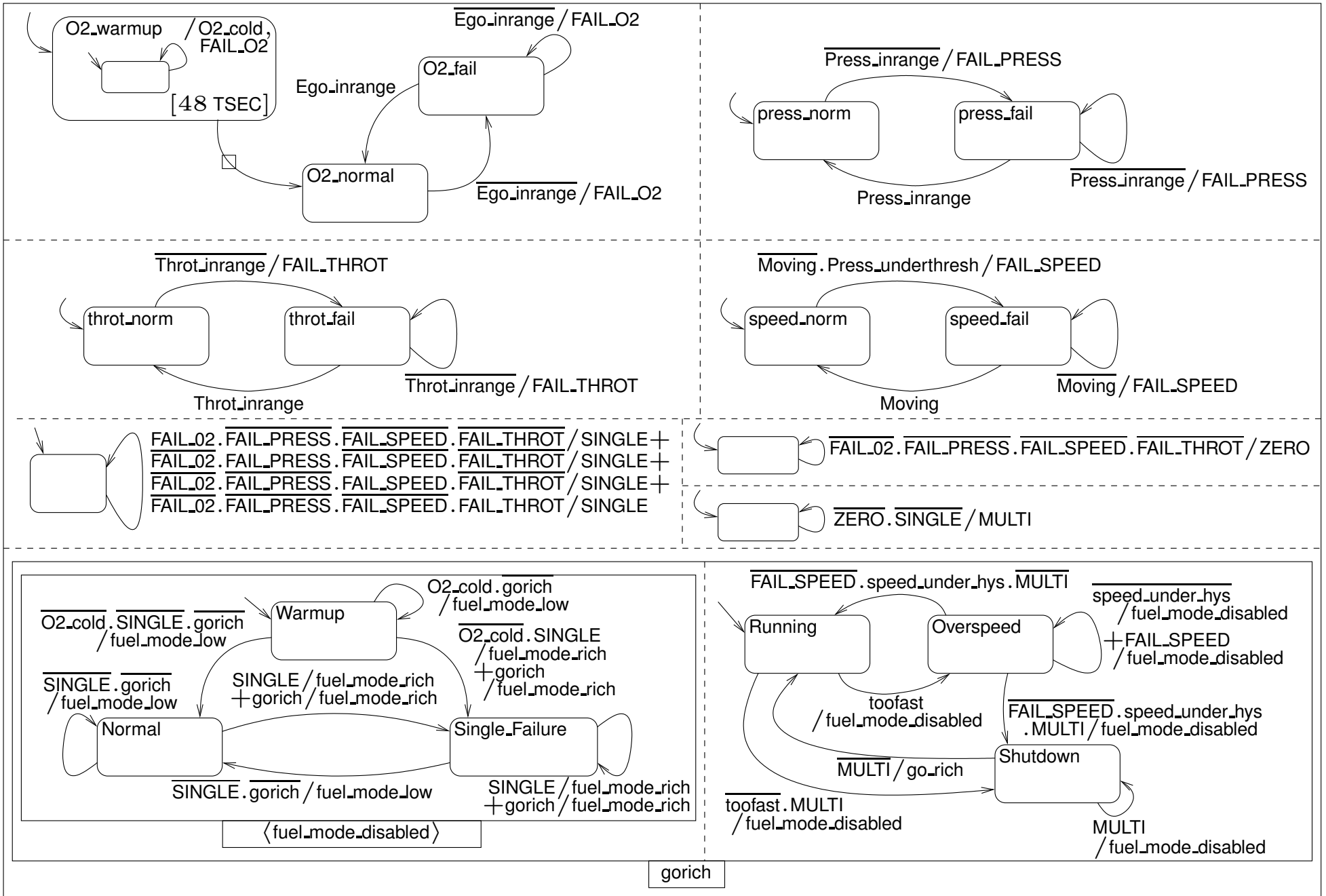


# Example: Fault-Tolerant Fuel Control System [Mat]



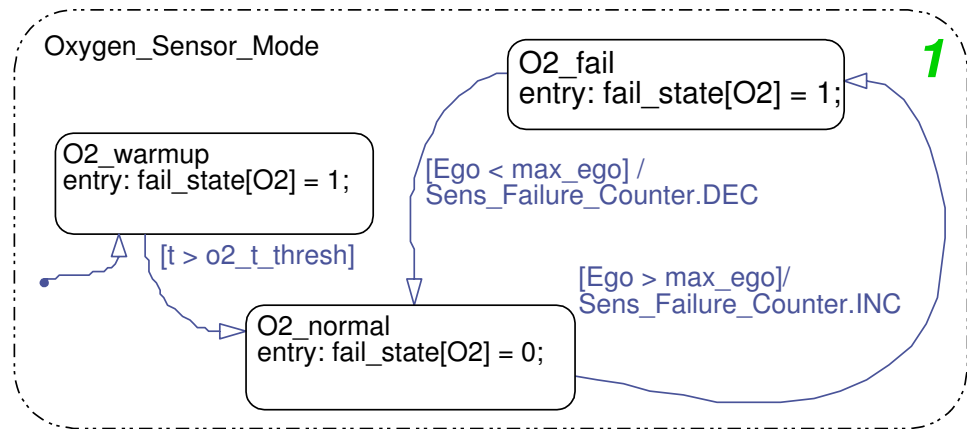
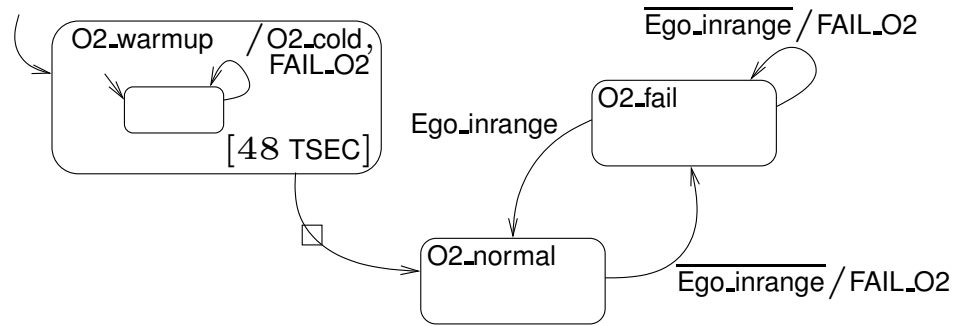


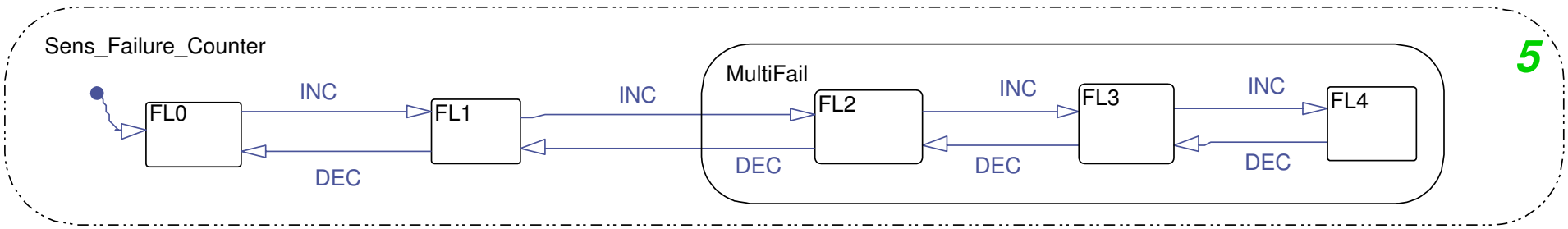
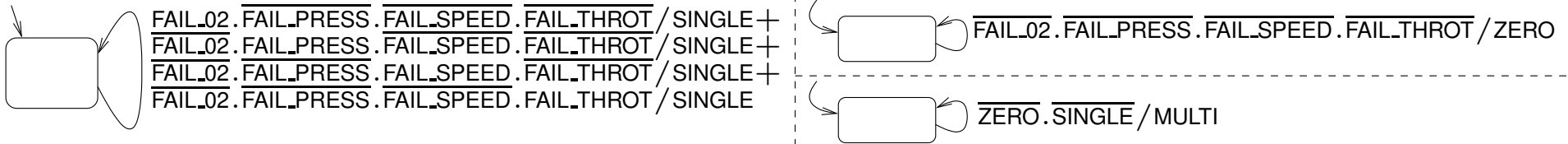


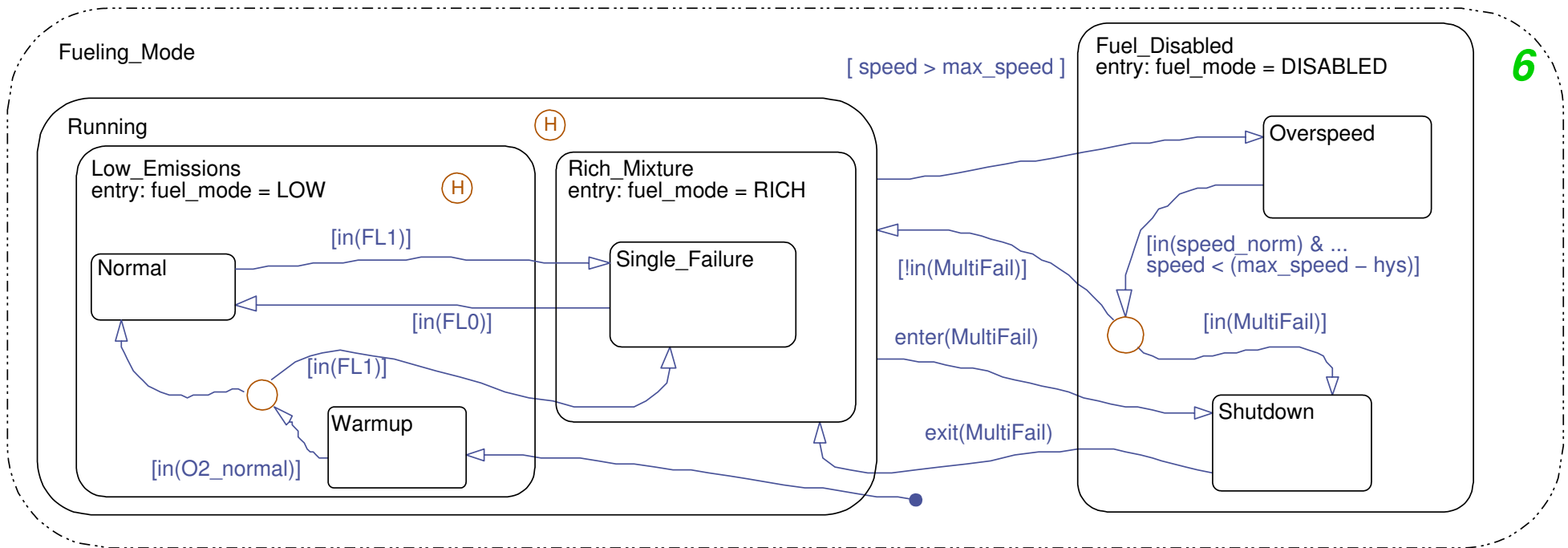
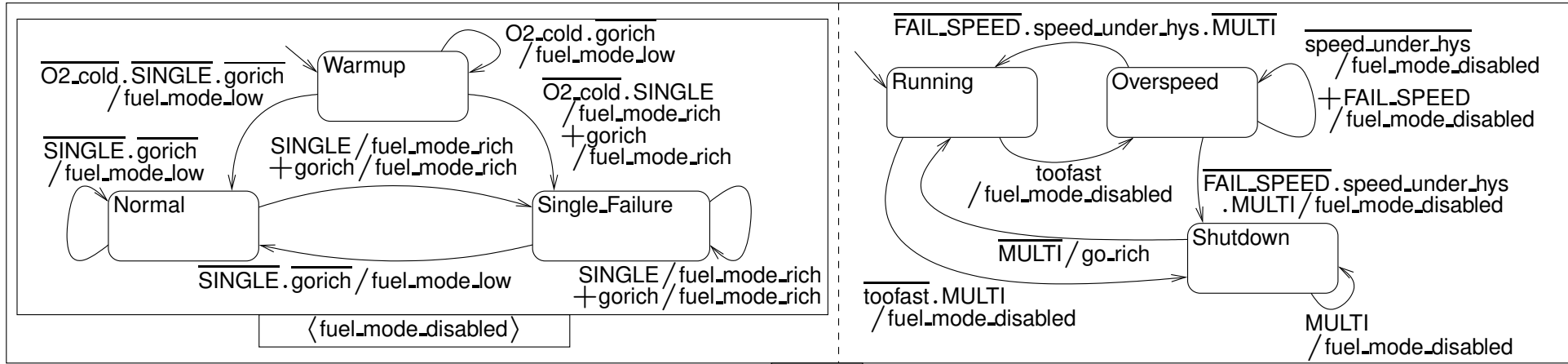


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# Summary

- Stateflow is powerful but has shortcomings
- Existing research might help
- Argos block developed:
  - contrast with Stateflow
  - simple examples possible
  - paucity of features has pros and cons

**Need the right tool for the task at hand.**



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