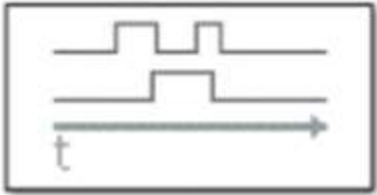




Objectives and Constraints



Temporal Operators



Verification Utilities

# Exploring SLDV - 04

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# Voter Logic

- A voter does not avoid the occurrence of sensor faults. It detects them and prevents their propagation to the systems that employ the voted signals like a safety critical controller.
- There are many types of voting logic (refer to the taxonomy of voters)
- Flight control systems use voting logic. A standard method is to look at signals and their validity. Compare two valid signals against a threshold. If they miscompare flag them. Do this for other sensors. This gives an indication of erroneous sensor.
- A 3 sensor voter is formally validated here using SLDV. It is in lines with a Arduino code available on the net.

<http://forum.arduino.cc/index.php?topic=106354.0>

# Voter Logic Description

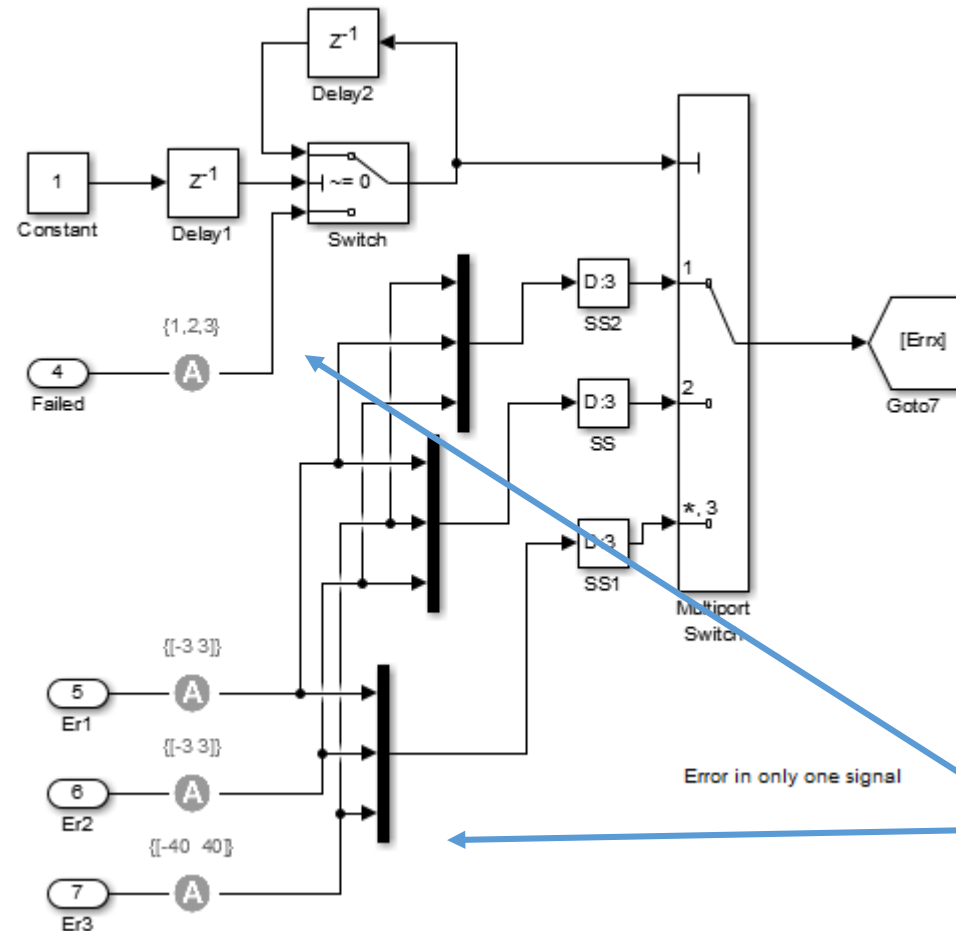
- There are 3 sensors A, B and C. Their validities are AV, BV and CV respectively.
- Sensor combination A and B is valid if
  - AV AND BV AND ( $\text{abs}(A-B) \leq \text{Threshold}$ ) (similarly for others AC and BC)
- All three sensor pairs are thus validated and a three input truth table is created for AB, AC and BC.
- If any signal is valid select that as output. If any sensor is failed average the other two. If all sensor fail hold the previous value and if all pass then average all three.

%	AB	AC	BC	
%	0	0	0	(0) All fail
%	0	0	1	(1) A fail
%	0	1	0	(2) B fail
%	0	1	1	(3) C valid
%	1	0	0	(4) C fail
%	1	0	1	(5) B valid
%	1	1	0	(6) A valid
%	1	1	1	(7) All valid

# Voter Assumption

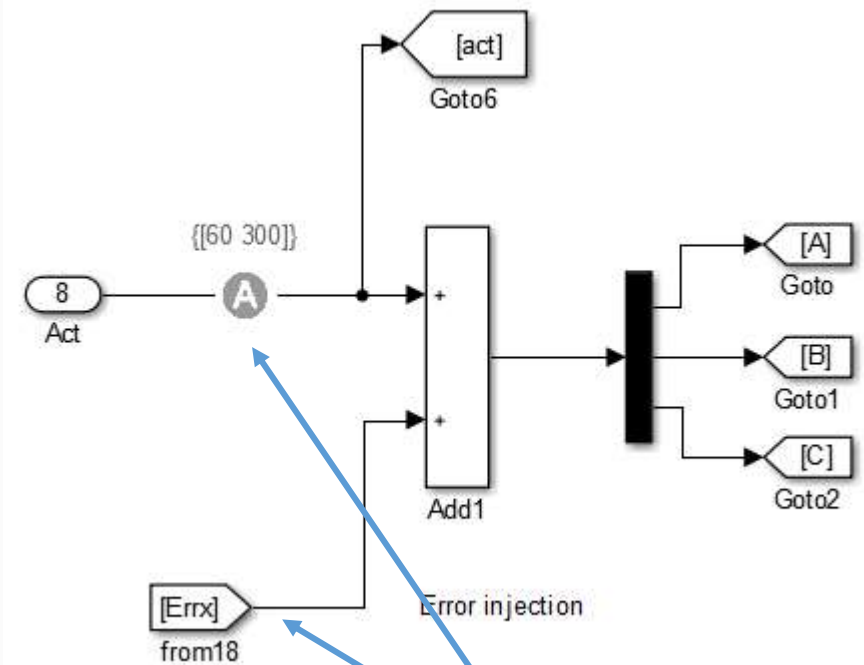
- Sensor A, B and C measure a physical parameter (perhaps Calibrated Airspeed) which can vary from 60 to 300 (knots).
- Each sensor has a random noise component with a maximum value of 3. We need to pass this as it is and not trip a sensor for this.
- Only one sensor fails with a large transient. This is to be detected and isolated.
- If any two sensor are valid the voted value shall be very close to the actual – an error of  $\pm 6$  is tolerated. The voted output shall be declared as valid.
- Let us prove this to be correct in our design using Simulink Design Verifier

# Implementing the assumption



Error in only one signal

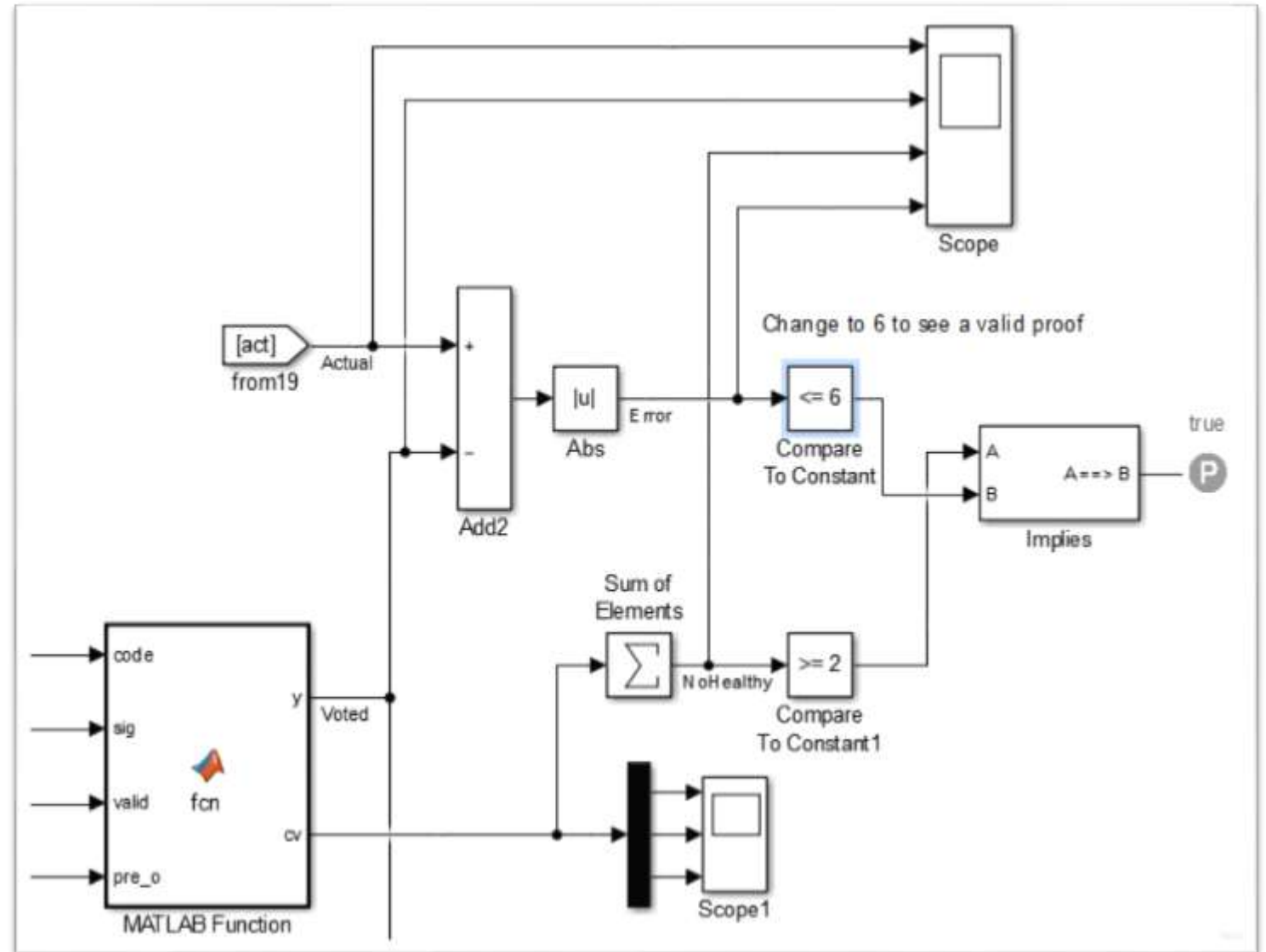
Errors are assumed and based on "Failed" signal. Only one sensor is failed at a time



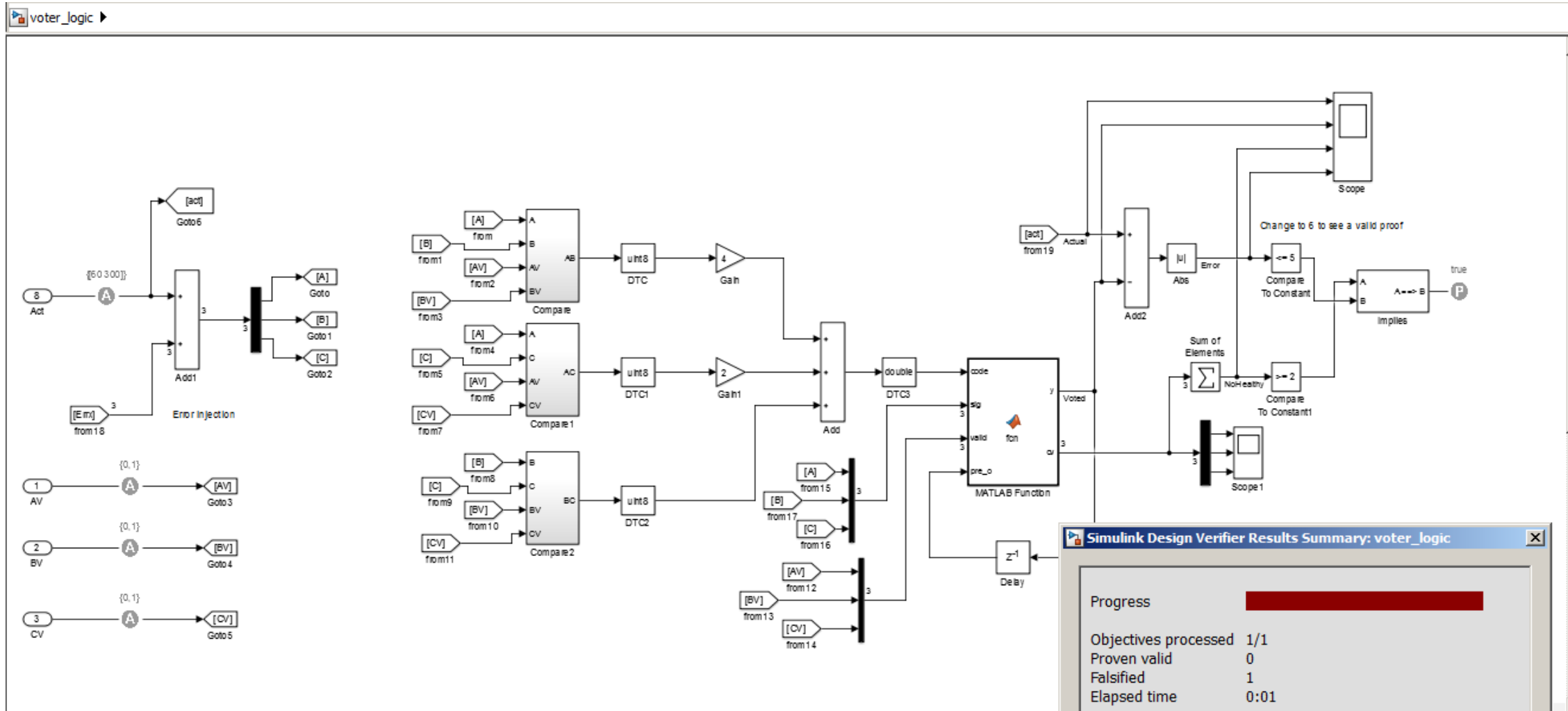
An actual signal is assumed with assumption block A {60, 300}. Error is added to this.

# SLDV Assertion

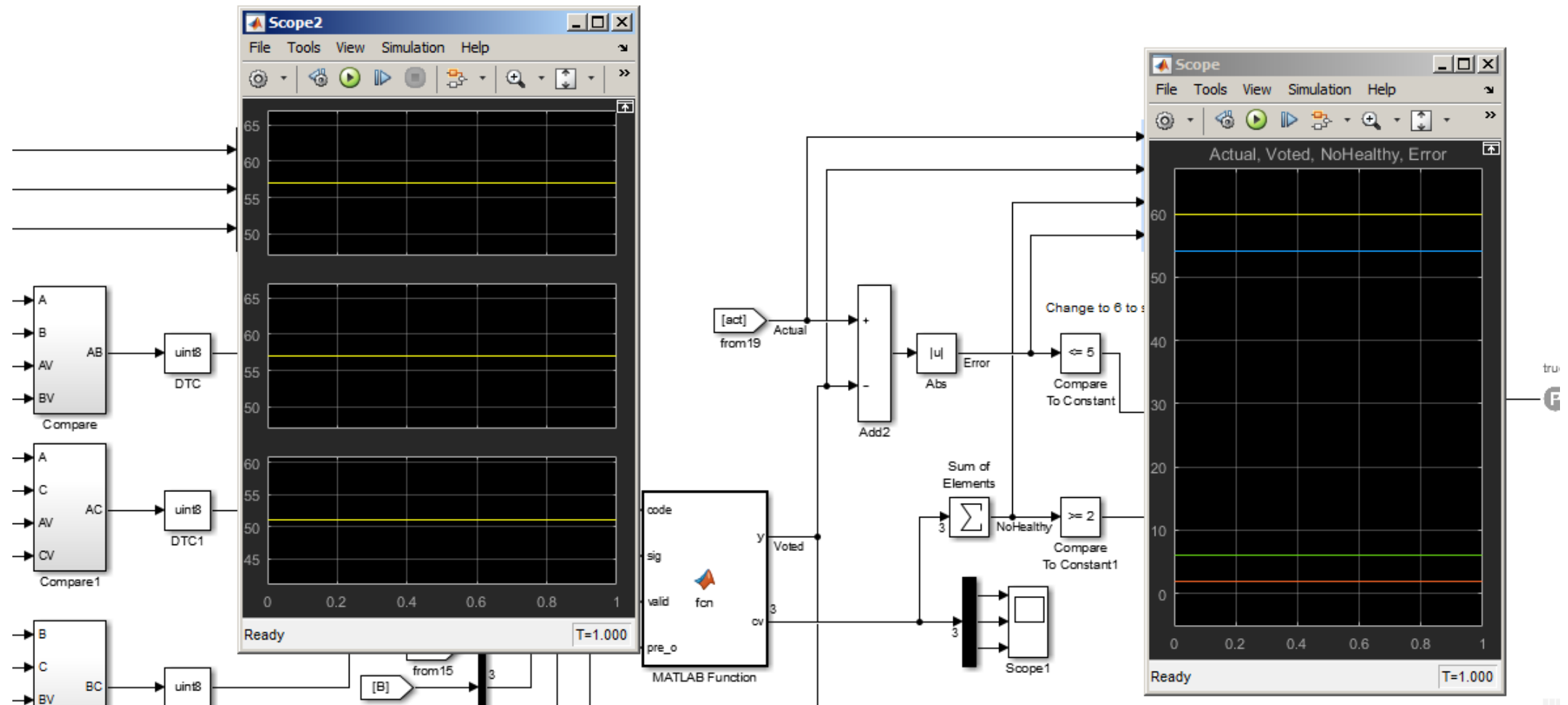
- If  $\text{sum}(\text{cumulative valid signals}) \geq 2$  IMPLIES that  $\text{abs}(\text{Voted} - \text{Actual}) \leq 6$ .
- This is proved valid for the design



# Voter proved false for $\leq 5$

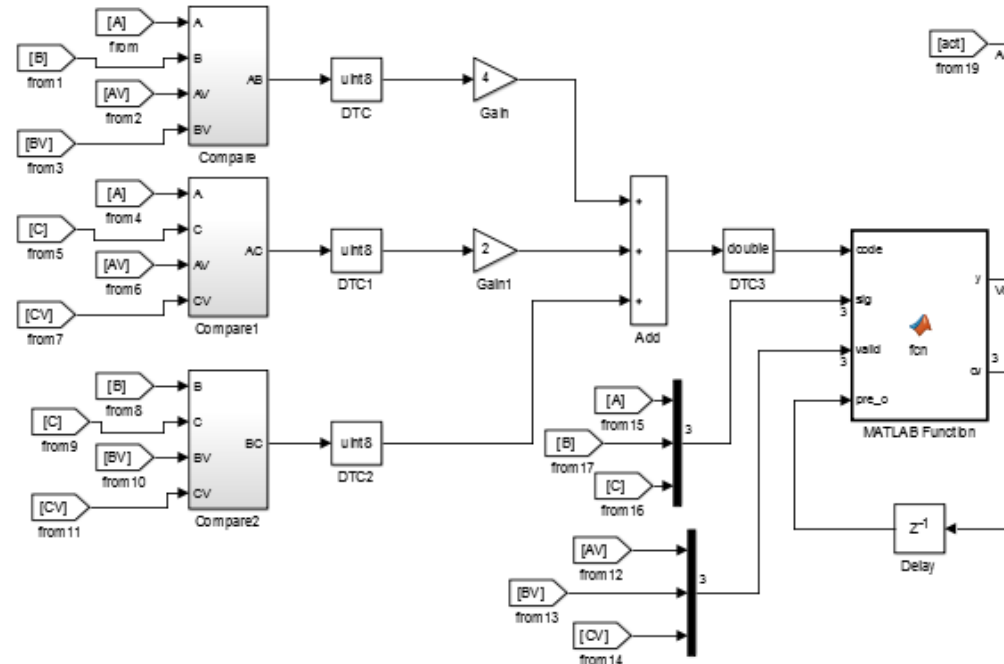
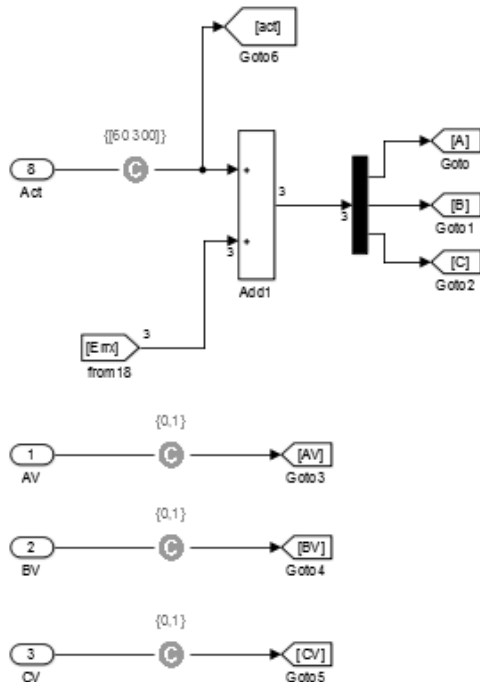


# Counterexample

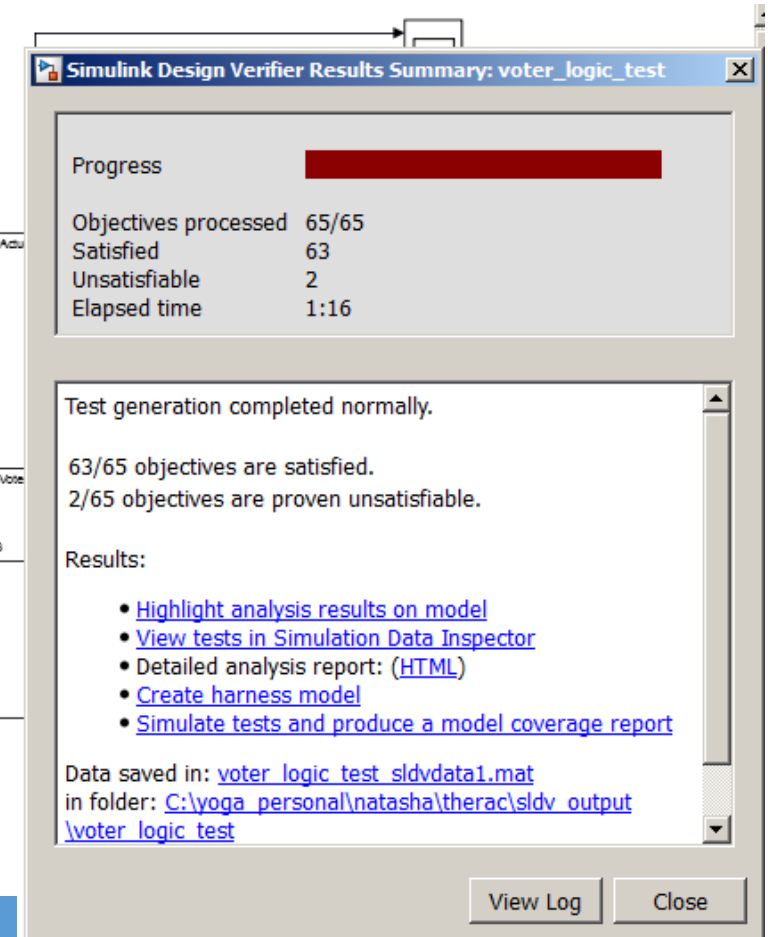




# Voter Logic Test Case Generation



SLDV can generate test cases for a model. All (A) blocks have been changed to (C). The proof (P) is changed to test objective (O)



# Indicates unsatisfiable condition

The test case is generated and the report indicates the uncovered zone. This is not possible to cover.

The screenshot displays the MATLAB R2016a environment with the Simulink Design Verifier Results Inspector, Editor, and Results Summary windows open.

**Simulink Design Verifier Results Inspector:** This window shows a list of test cases. The last entry, "Script: elseif code == 7 T", is marked as "UNSATISFIABLE". An orange arrow points from the text "This is not possible to cover." to this entry.

**Editor - Block: voter\_logic\_test/MATLAB Function:** This window shows the MATLAB code for the voter logic test. The code is as follows:

```
35 cv = [1;valid(2);valid(3)]; % A valid
36 elseif code == 7
37     y = (sig(1)+sig(2)+sig(3))/3;
38     cv = [1;1;1]; % All valid
39 else
```

**Simulink Design Verifier Results Summary: voter\_logic\_test:** This window shows the progress of the verification process. The summary is as follows:

Progress	
Objectives processed	65/65
Satisfied	63
Unsatisfiable	2
Elapsed time	1:16

# Therac - 25

Revisited as SLDV



# Therac - 25



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## Therac-25

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The **Therac-25** was a [radiation therapy](#) machine produced by [Atomic Energy of Canada Limited](#) (AECL) in 1982 after the Therac-6 and Therac-20 units (the earlier units had been produced in partnership with [CGR](#) of [France](#)).

It was involved in at least six accidents between 1985 and 1987, in which patients were given massive [overdoses of radiation](#).

<sup>[1]:425</sup> Because of [concurrent programming errors](#), it sometimes gave its patients radiation doses that were hundreds of times greater than normal, resulting in death or serious injury.<sup>[2]</sup> These accidents highlighted the dangers of software [control](#) of safety-critical systems, and they have become a standard case study in [health informatics](#) and [software engineering](#).

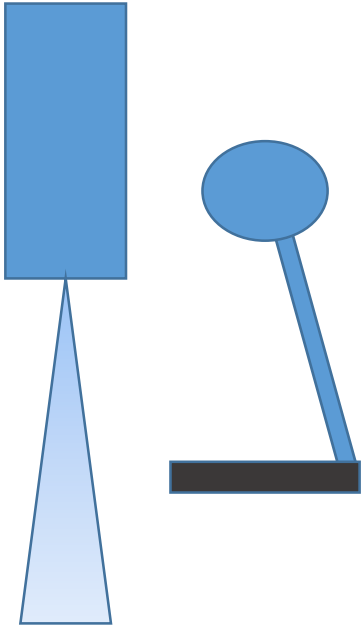
Additionally the overconfidence of the engineers<sup>[1]:428</sup> and lack of proper due diligence to resolve reported software bugs, is highlighted as an extreme case where the engineer's overconfidence in his or her initial work and failure to believe the end users' claims caused drastic repercussions.

# Death by Software

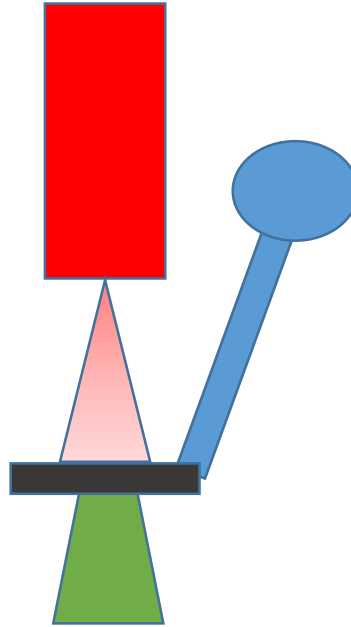
- Due to a programming error the radiation therapy machine overdosed patients and caused death in some cases. (refer Wiki and Nancy Leveson's paper for details )
- A patient could be administered with a low intensity electron beam or with an X-ray therapy. The X-ray was generated by the same machine by bombarding a target with high intensity electron beam.
- The software error could bombard a patient with high intensity beam when commanded even if the target was not in place.
- The earlier mechanical system had interlocks that was removed in the Therac 25 because software was "so much better"

# The Problem

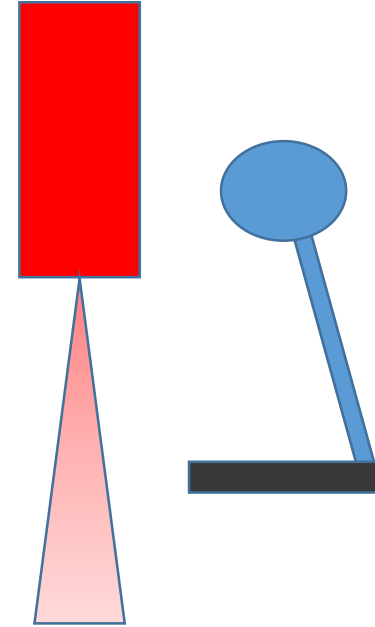
Direct beam low doses of high-energy (5 MeV to 25 MeV)



X-rays - high-energy (25 MeV) electrons into a "target"



A high beam without the "target" caused the radiation deaths





# Therac – 25 Screen

The dosage and the X-ray or Electron Beam was selected by a DEC terminal



PATIENT NAME	: TEST			
TREATMENT MODE	: FIX	BEAM TYPE: X	ENERGY (MeV): 25	
		ACTUAL	PRESCRIBED	
UNIT RATE/MINUTE		0	200	
MONITOR UNITS		50 50	200	
TIME (MIN)		0.27	1.00	
GANTRY ROTATION (DEG)		0.0	0	VERIFIED
COLLIMATOR ROTATION (DEG)		359.2	359	VERIFIED
COLLIMATOR X (CM)		14.2	14.3	VERIFIED
COLLIMATOR Y (CM)		27.2	27.3	VERIFIED
WEDGE NUMBER		1	1	VERIFIED
ACCESSORY NUMBER		0	0	VERIFIED
DATE	: 84-OCT-26	SYSTEM	: BEAM READY	OP. MODE : TREAT AUTO
TIME	: 12:55: 8	TREAT	: TREAT PAUSE	X-RAY 173777
OPR ID	: T25V02-R03	REASON	: OPERATOR	COMMAND:

Medical Devices: The Therac-25\*

Nancy Leveson  
University of Washington

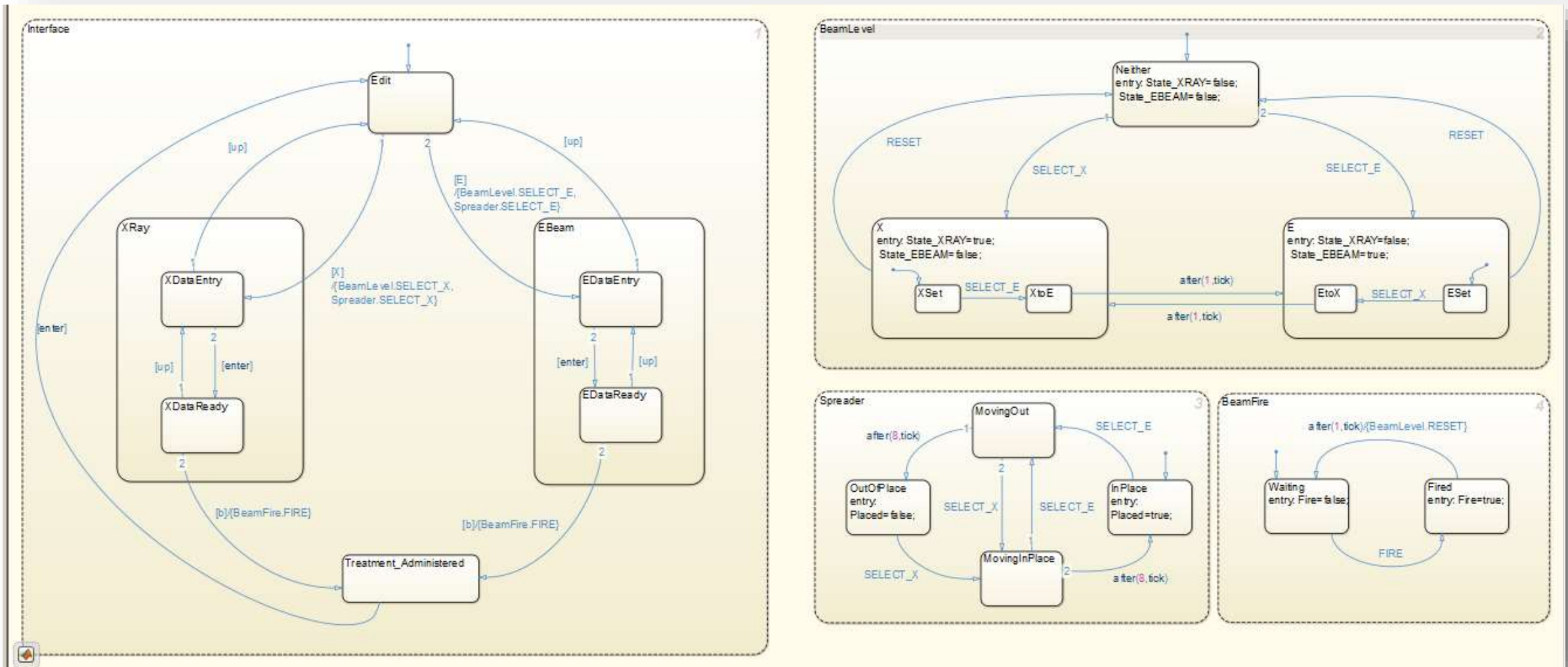
# Algorithm (simplified)

- The operator (hospital employee) could set the parameters using the keyboard and scroll through the different field using the up keys. Enter was used to confirm a value and move down to lower field.
- The operator could select E or X for Electron or X ray beam.
- The operator could radiate the patient with the B (fire) key
- Selecting the E or X set the intensity levels of the machine
- Selecting X moved the target “In Place” and selecting E moved the target “Out of Place”. This took about 8 seconds.

**The operator could fire the beam from the keyboard if he was ready. There was no interlock for “Fire” with the “In Place”. This was a major problem.**



# Stateflow model



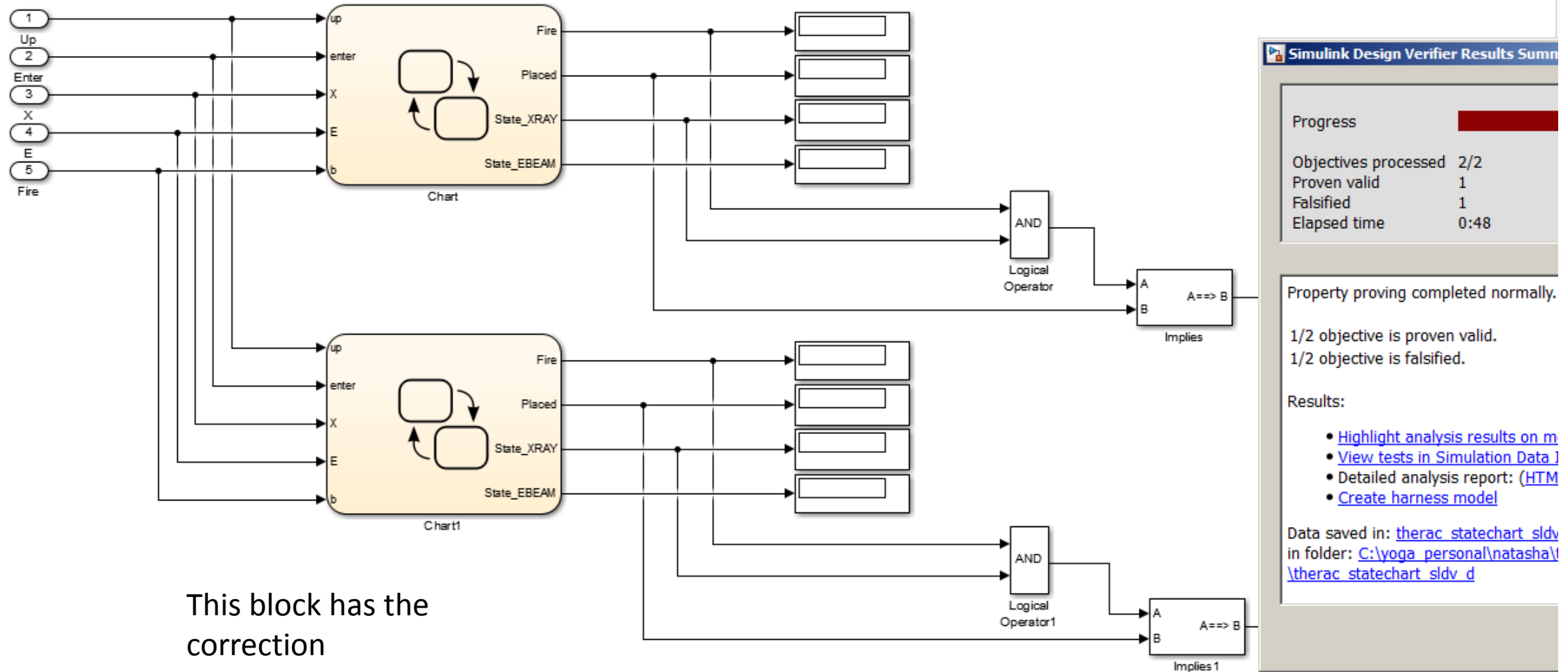
# Stateflow

- The interface State has the initial sub state as Edit. X or E takes it to X data entry or E data entry.
- Up arrow takes it back to edit and Enter takes it to X data ready or E data ready. From this sub state “B” sends it to Treatment Administered
- In the Beam Level State the initial sub state is Neither. From here based on E or X it transits to X beam or E beam. If in X if E is pressed a temporary sub state X to E is entered. Similarly from E, E to X when X is pressed. This happens in the next cycle of computation.
- A reset signals resets the Beam Level back to Neither.

# Stateflow

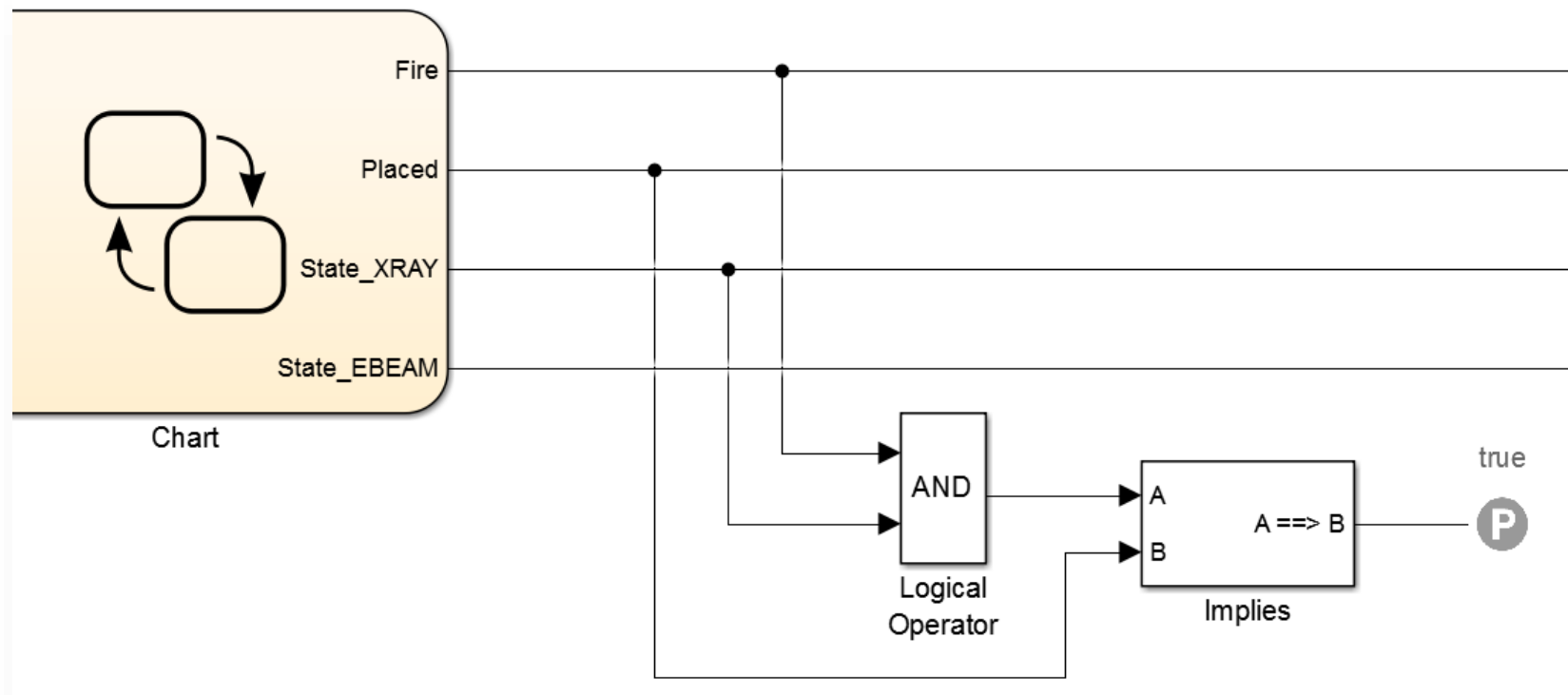
- The Spreader State is the mechanical device. Initially it is “In Place”. An E makes it transit to Moving Out. After 8 seconds it transits to Out Of Place. Similarly, an X makes it move back to In Place with a intermediate state Moving In.
- The Beam Fire State has two sub states Fire and Waiting. Initially it is in Waiting and Transits to Fire when B is pressed.
- Once fired, it comes back to Waiting in the next execution frame and sends the reset signal also in the process.

# Therac-25 Stateflow proof



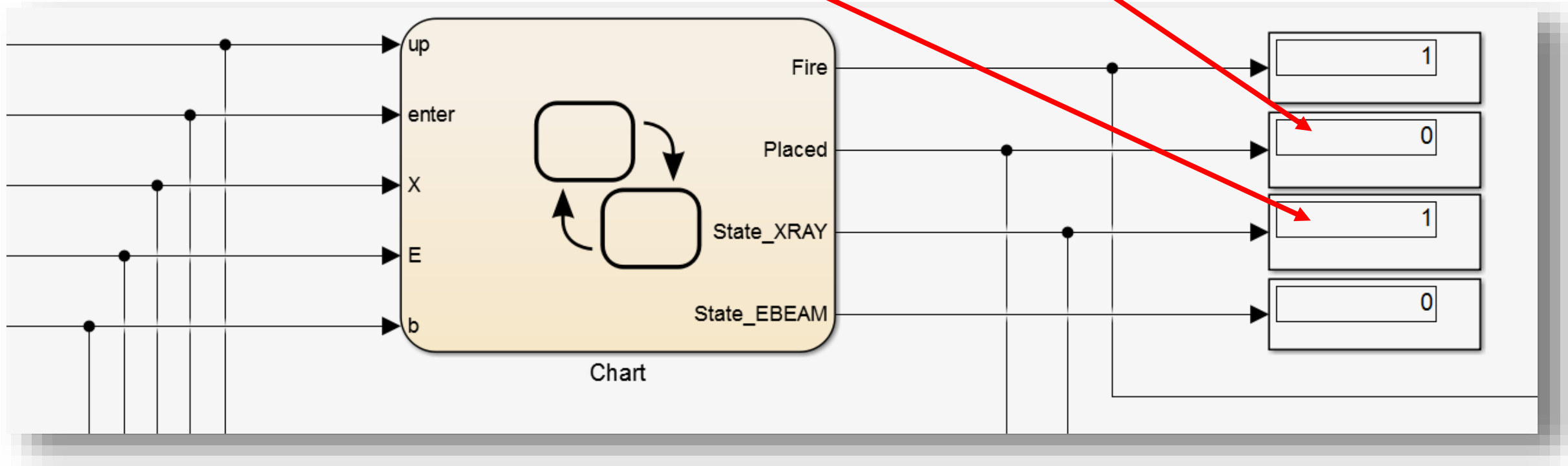
# Assertion

- The assertion is very simple
- When the Beam Level is X ray and Beam is “Fired” IMPLIES that the Spreader is “In Place”



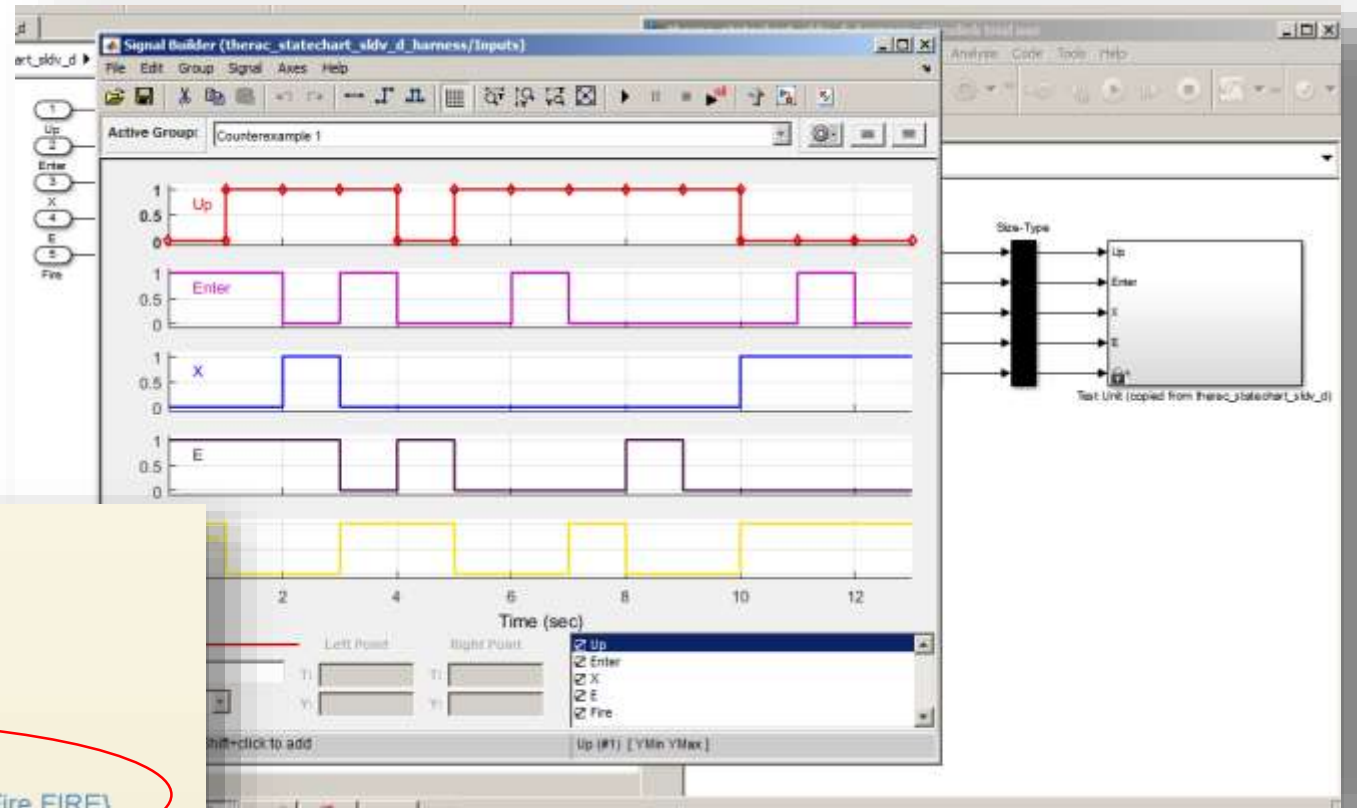
# The error

**Fire = 1, State\_XRAY = 1 but Placed = 0 (False)**



# Counterexample

There are two stateflow models. The bottom one has a correction to the problem. This is so simple – ensure “InPlace” when Firing.



# Table for Mode Transition

TRANSITION MATRIX												
				Triggers	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Row No	Offset	State No	Modes	Mode+State	UP	ENT	XT	ET	BT	TIM8	RESET	TICK
1	0	1	INTER	EDIT	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0
2	0	2		EBDATAE	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	3		EBDATAD	2	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
4	0	4		XBDATAE	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	5		XBDATAD	4	0	0	0	6	0	0	0
6	0	6		TADMIN	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	6	1	LEVEL	NEITHER	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
8	6	2		XB	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0
9	6	3		EB	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0
10	6	4		X2E	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
11	6	5		E2X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
12	11	1	SPREAD	INPLACE	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
13	11	2		MOVOUT	0	0	4	0	0	3	0	0
14	11	3		OUTPLACE	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
15	11	4		MOVIN	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
16	15	1	FIRE	WAIT	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
17	15	2		FIRED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1



# Requirements (make\_mtl.m)

- 1) If in State EDIT AND Trigger XT occurs THEN transit to XBDATAE if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 2) If in State EDIT AND Trigger ET occurs THEN transit to EBDATAE if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 3) If in State EBDATAE AND Trigger UP occurs THEN transit to EDIT if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 4) If in State EBDATAE AND Trigger ENT occurs THEN transit to EBDATAD if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 5) If in State EBDATAD AND Trigger UP occurs THEN transit to EBDATAE if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 6) If in State EBDATAD AND Trigger BT occurs THEN transit to TADMIN if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 7) If in State XBDATAE AND Trigger UP occurs THEN transit to EDIT if condition C1 Is TRUE
- 8) If in State XBDATAE AND Trigger ENT occurs THEN transit to XBDATAD if condition C1 Is TRUE

**This is automatically generated by the M File. You can review and check for correctness.**

# NuSMV Code (make\_mtl\_code\_SMV\_gen.m)

```
(SPREAD = MOVOUT) & (XT = TRUE) : 0;  
(SPREAD = MOVIN) & (ET = TRUE) : 0;  
(SPREAD = MOVOUT) & (countx < 8) : countx+1;  
(SPREAD = MOVIN) & (countx < 8) : countx+1;  
(countx >= 8): 0;  
TRUE : 0;  
esac;  
  
next(INTER):=case  
--1) If in State EDIT AND Trigger XT occurs THEN transit to XBDAE if condition C1 Is TRUE  
INTER = EDIT & (TRIG = 3) & C1 : XBDAE;  
--2) If in State EDIT AND Trigger ET occurs THEN transit to EBDAE if condition C1 Is TRUE  
INTER = EDIT & (TRIG = 4) & C1 : EBDAE;  
--3) If in State EBDAE AND Trigger UP occurs THEN transit to EDIT if condition C1 Is TRUE  
INTER = EBDAE & (TRIG = 1) & C1 : EDIT;  
--4) If in State EBDAE AND Trigger ENT occurs THEN transit to EBDATAD if condition C1 Is TRUE  
INTER = EBDAE & (TRIG = 2) & C1 : EBDATAD;  
--5) If in State EBDATAD AND Trigger UP occurs THEN transit to EBDAE if condition C1 Is TRUE  
INTER = EBDATAD & (TRIG = 1) & C1 : EBDAE;
```

**This is automatically generated by the M File. Additional code for the 8 second timer is added.**

# A M code (make\_mtl\_code\_M\_gen.m)

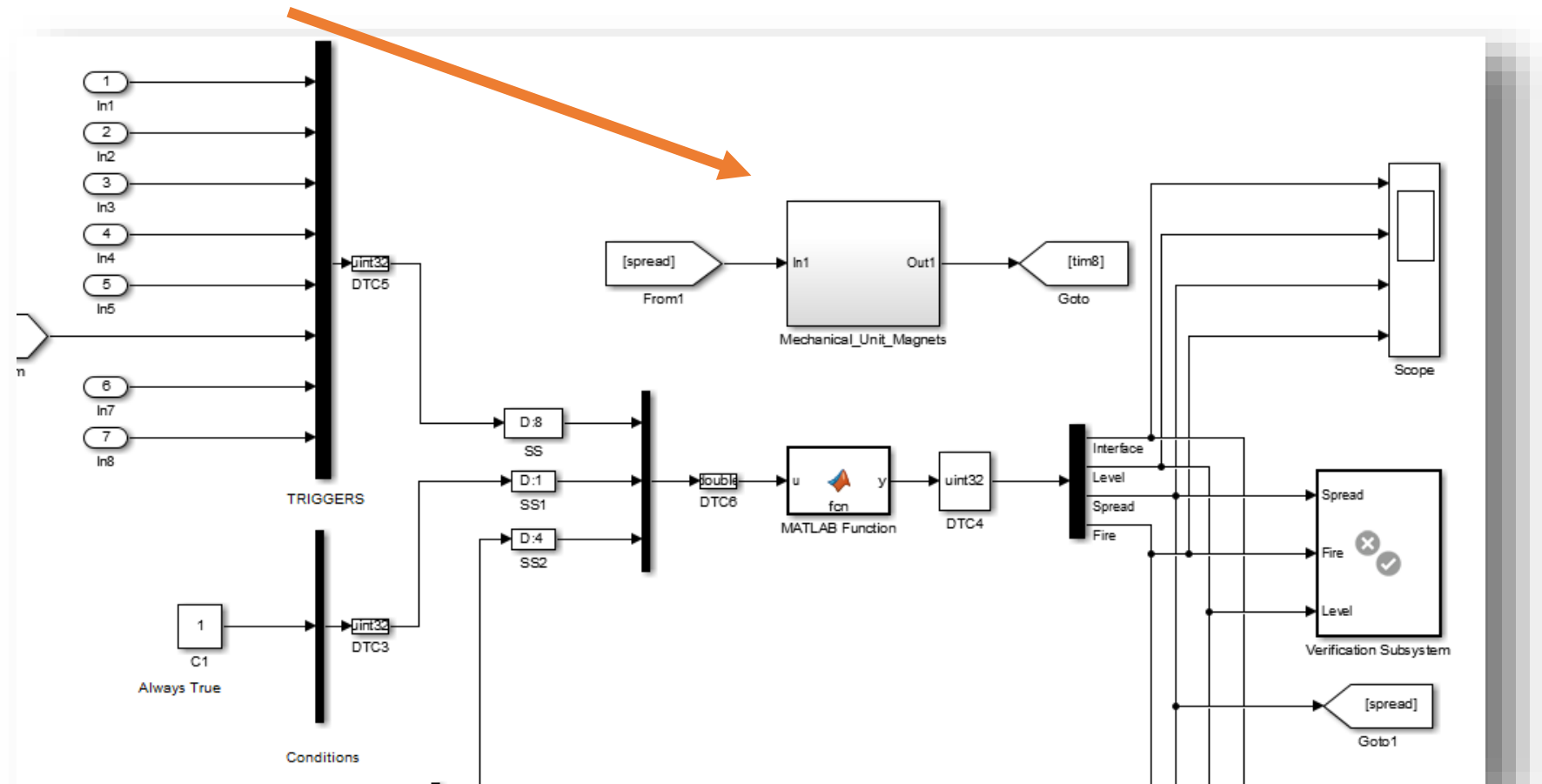
Command Window

```
end
% =====

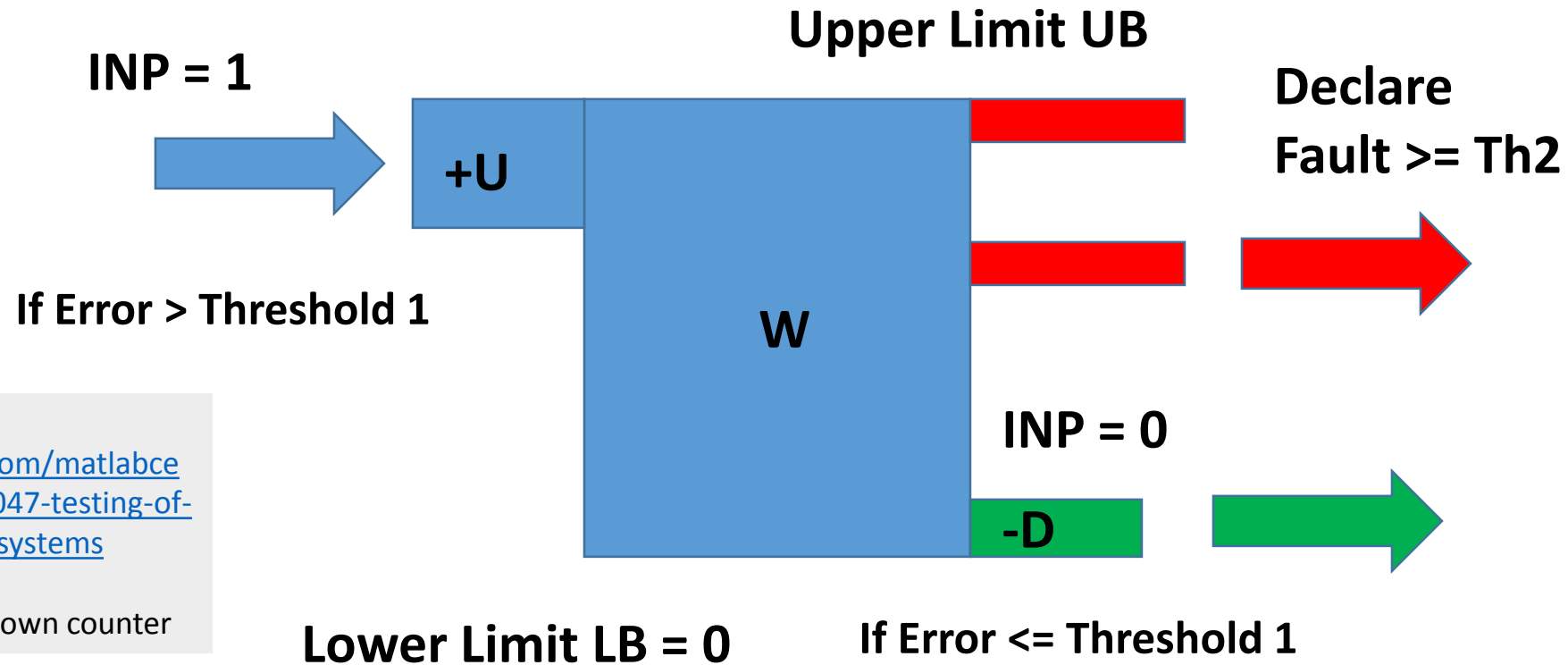
% 20) If in State INPLACE AND Trigger ET occurs THEN transit to MOVOUT if condition C1 is True
if (SPREAD == 1) && (TRIG == 4) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 2;
% 21) If in State MOVOUT AND Trigger XT occurs THEN transit to MOVIN if condition C1 is True
elseif (SPREAD == 2) && (TRIG == 3) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 4;
% 22) If in State MOVOUT AND Trigger TIM8 occurs THEN transit to OUTPLACE if condition C1 is True
elseif (SPREAD == 2) && (TRIG == 6) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 3;
% 23) If in State OUTPLACE AND Trigger XT occurs THEN transit to MOVIN if condition C1 is True
elseif (SPREAD == 3) && (TRIG == 3) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 4;
% 24) If in State MOVIN AND Trigger ET occurs THEN transit to MOVOUT if condition C1 is True
elseif (SPREAD == 4) && (TRIG == 4) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 2;
% 25) If in State MOVIN AND Trigger TIM8 occurs THEN transit to INPLACE if condition C1 is True
elseif (SPREAD == 4) && (TRIG == 6) && (C(1) == 1) ; SPREAD = 1;
end
% =====
```

# Simulink model with M Code

This Simulink model uses the M code and a mechanical model of the target magnets. This is modelled as a rate limiter. The timer trigger is set by the mechanical device when it reaches “in place” or “out of place”.



# Up/Down Counter



Refer to  
<http://in.mathworks.com/matlabcentral/fileexchange/39047-testing-of-safety-critical-control-systems>

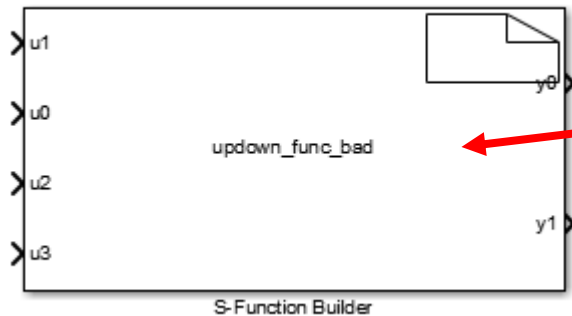
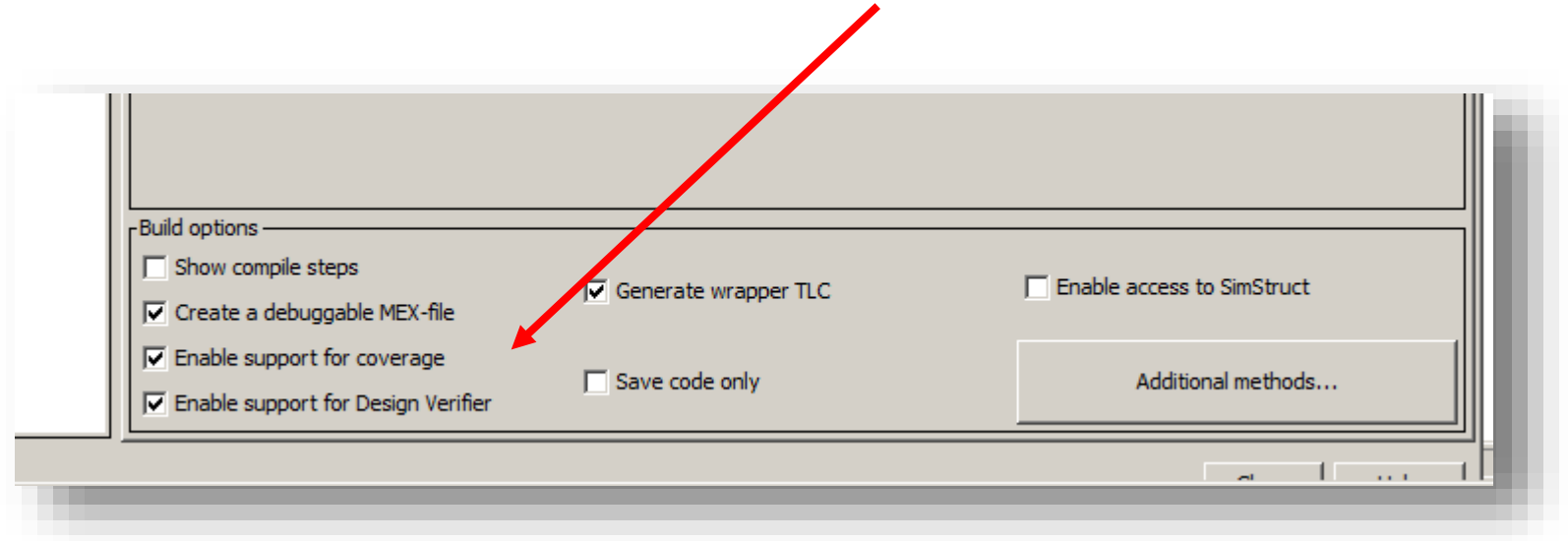
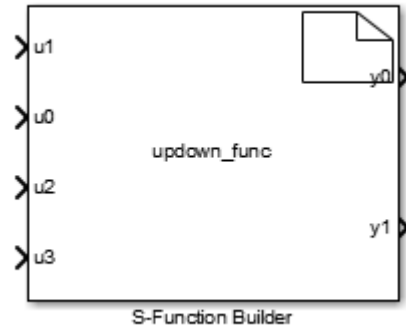
For details of the up/down counter

If  $U > (UB - LB)$  and  $-D = -U$  then the up-down counter will declare a fault if the residual exceeds Threshold 1 for one time step.

# S Function

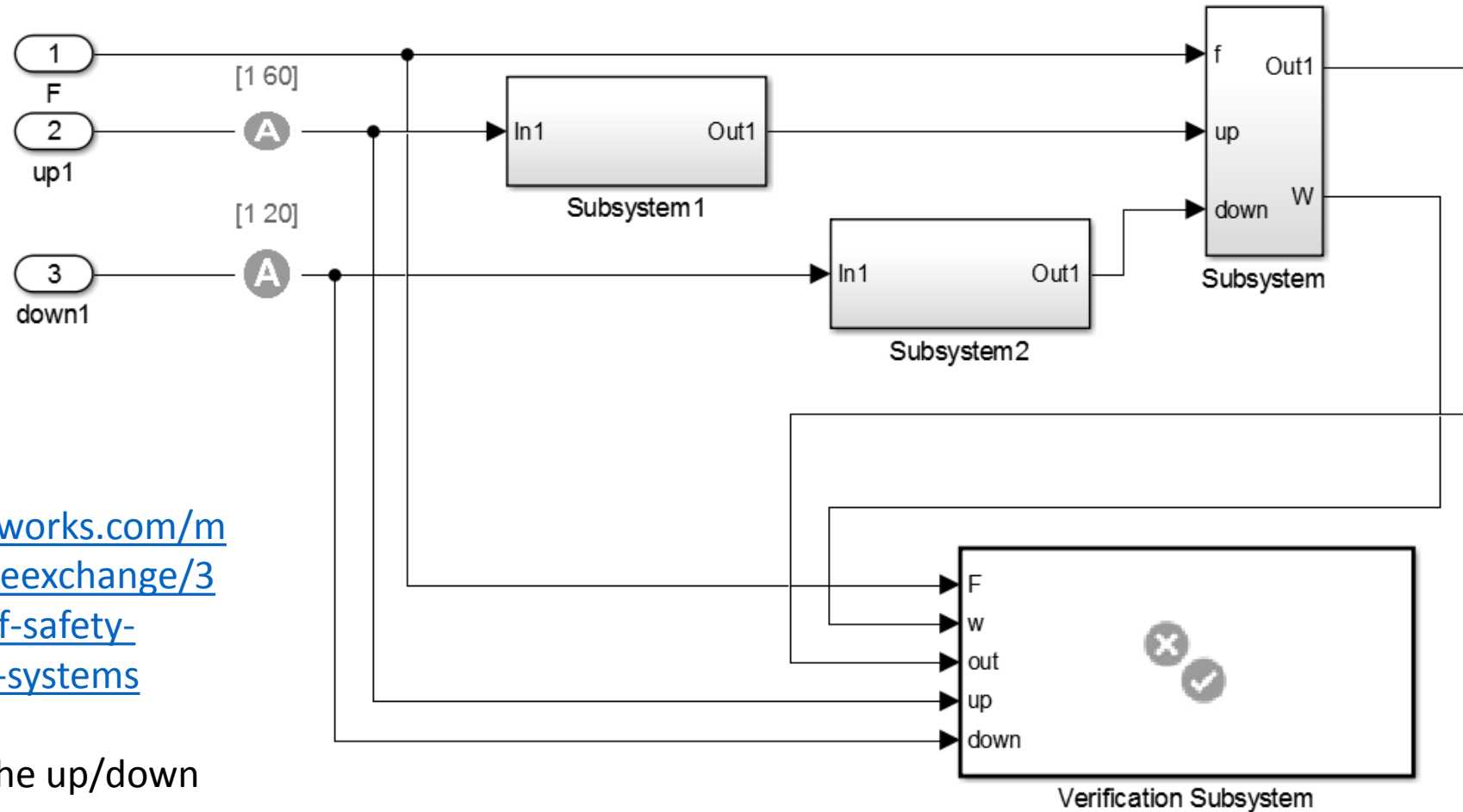
While compiling remember to enable the support for coverage and Design verifier.

Use the S function builder for the C code example



This S function has the error

# Verification subsystem



Refer to

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For details of the up/down counter

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