# Formal Analysis of Policies in Wireless Sensor **Network Applications**

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## Wireless Sensor Network Applications with CaPI

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- Key elements of CaPI middleware:
  - Components
  - Wires
  - Policies



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## Graphical Representation of Components





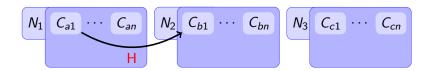
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$$N_1$$
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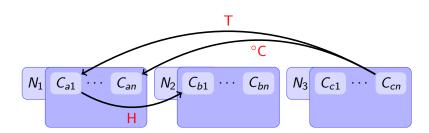
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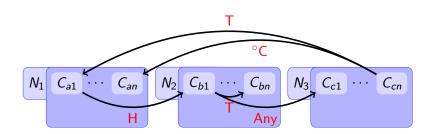


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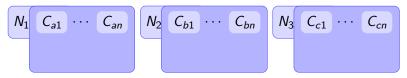
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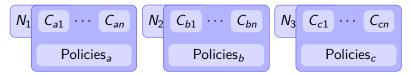
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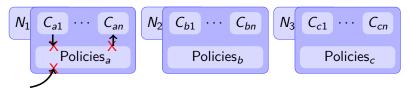


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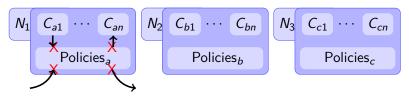


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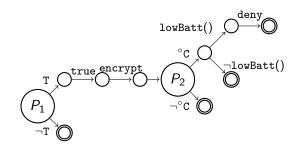
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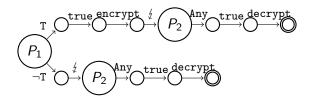


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Wires on Any messages.



Policy Program 
$$P:= on(t)\{P\}$$
 Type  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ 

$$\mid if(g)\{P\} \qquad \text{If-Guard } g \in \mathcal{L}$$

$$\mid a \qquad \qquad Action \ a \in \mathcal{A}$$

$$\mid P ; P'$$

 $A := \{allow, deny, encrypt, decrypt, sign, verify, persist, delete\}.$ 



The idea is to capture what was drawn before: all paths of a tree of execution.

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# **Analysis**

Specification of undesired/desired properties via modal logic:

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- scales linearly in terms of connections between nodes and number of policies (with similar logical conditions).

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🖳 Problems 🙆 Tasks 📮 Console 🕱 🔲 Properties
8
   Extraction of constrained traces: ...
   Fast analysis.
         Checking formula generalWastefulDeny
                                                  Failed
         Checking formula signBeforeverify
                                                   0K
         Checking formula encryptBeforeDecrypt
                                                   0K
         Checkina formula verifvAtmostOnce
                                                  OK
         Checking formula decryptAfterEncrypt
                                                  Failed
         Checking formula decryptAtmostOnce
                                                  0K
         Checking formula signAtmostOnce
                                            OK
         Checking formula persistBeforeDelete
                                                  0K
         Checking formula sendAfterEncrypt
                                                  Failed.
         Checking formula networkAtmostOnce
                                                  0K
         Checking formula sendAfterSign
                                            0K
         Checking formula generalWastefulDenyAfter
                                                         OK
         Checkina formula verifvAfterSian
                                                  OK
         Checking formula encryptAtmostOnce
                                                  0K
   Total time: 1353 milliseconds.
   ### WARNING ### errors discovered ### WARNING ###
   Runnina in-depth analysis...
   Analyzing node n6
   Analyzing node n7
   Analyzina node n0
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Violation of generalWastefulDeny by trace: Trace: n0 "encrypt.allw.deny" n6
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Analyzing trace n0 encrypt.allw.NW n7

Violation of decryptAfterEncrypt by trace: Trace: n0 "encrypt.allw.NW" n7

Assumptions: types: 2 quard: true

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