

Towards Formal Assurance Case Framework in Agda

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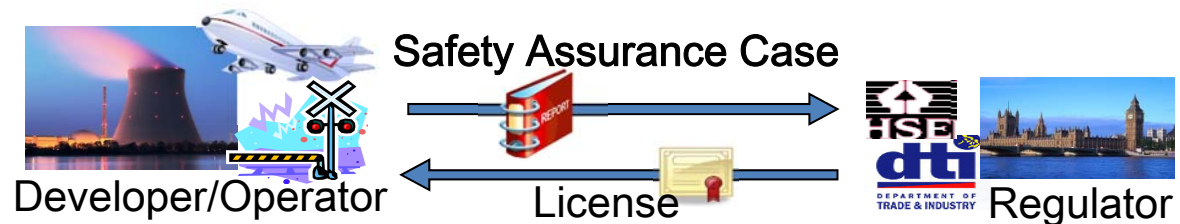
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Assurance case

- Assurance case:
a documented, **explicit argumentation** to demonstrate a specified system is “okay” in a specified sense.

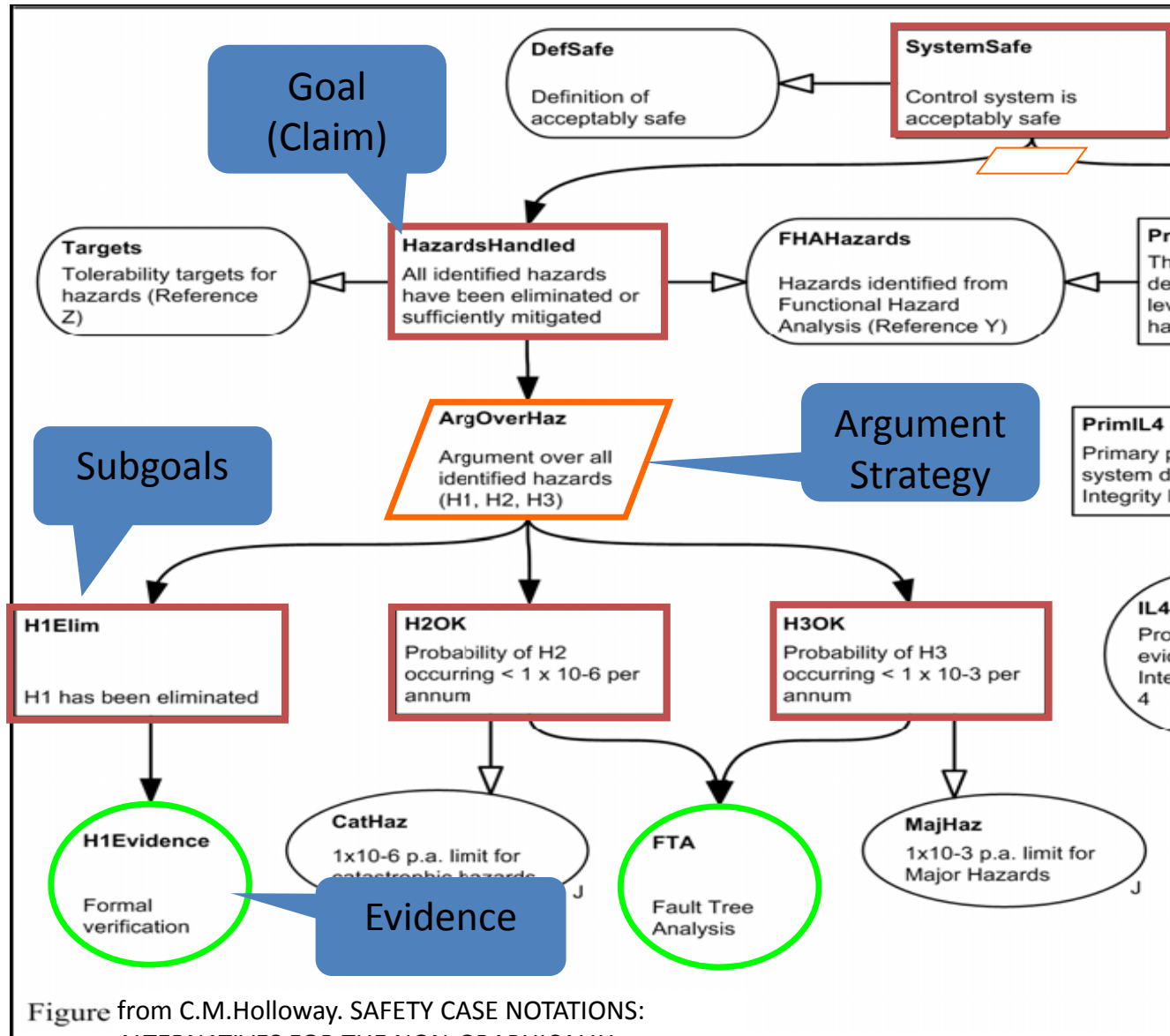
- Origin in Safety regulation regime:
nuclear power plant, offshore oil platform, aviation, railway, ...



- Spreading in other context (acquisition, certification, ...) to assure other qualities like reliability and maintainability, security, *dependability*, ...

- Assurance Case is a set of auditable claims, arguments and evidence created to support the claim that a defined system/service will satisfy the particular requirements.
(OMG SACM 1.0)

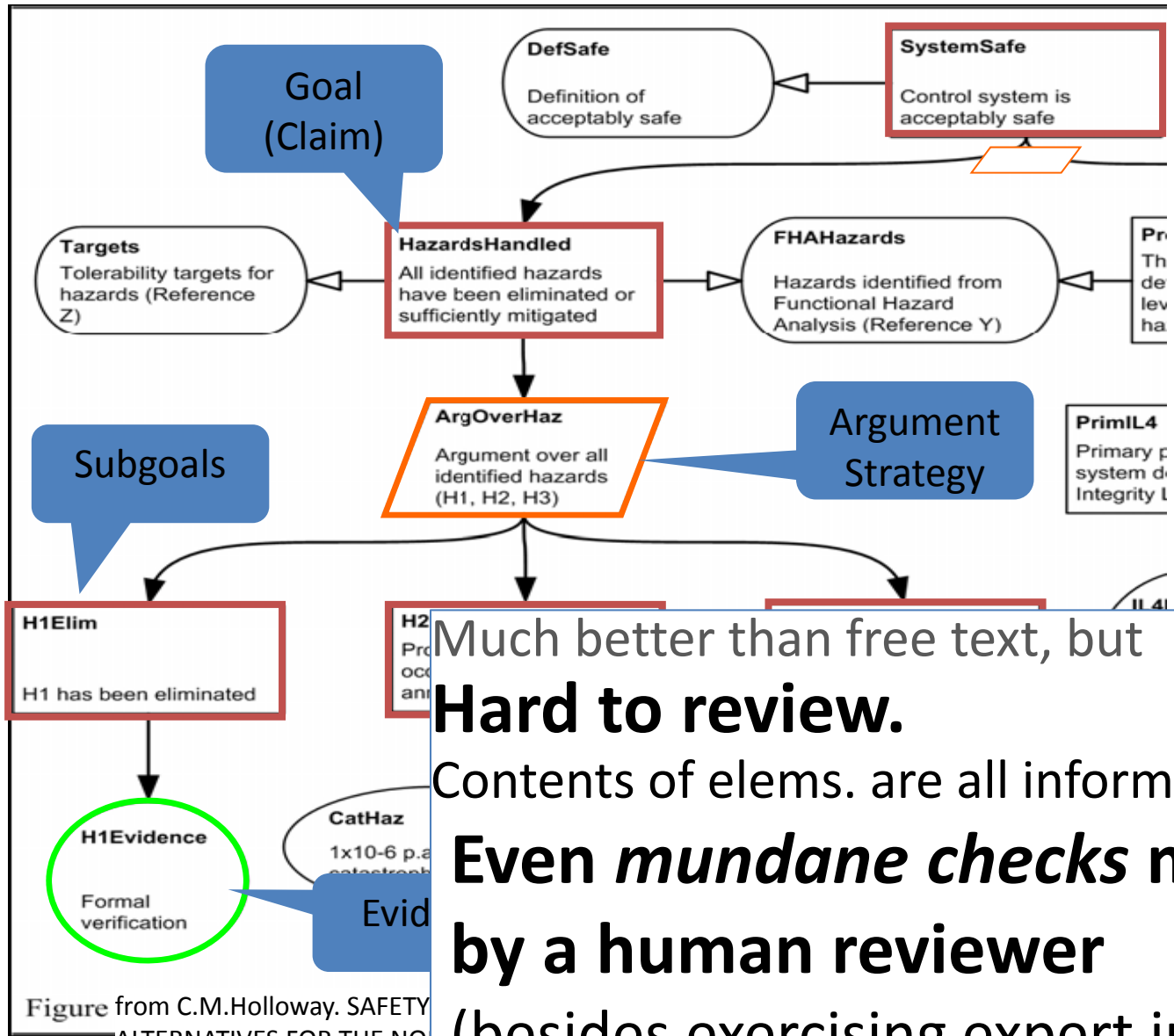
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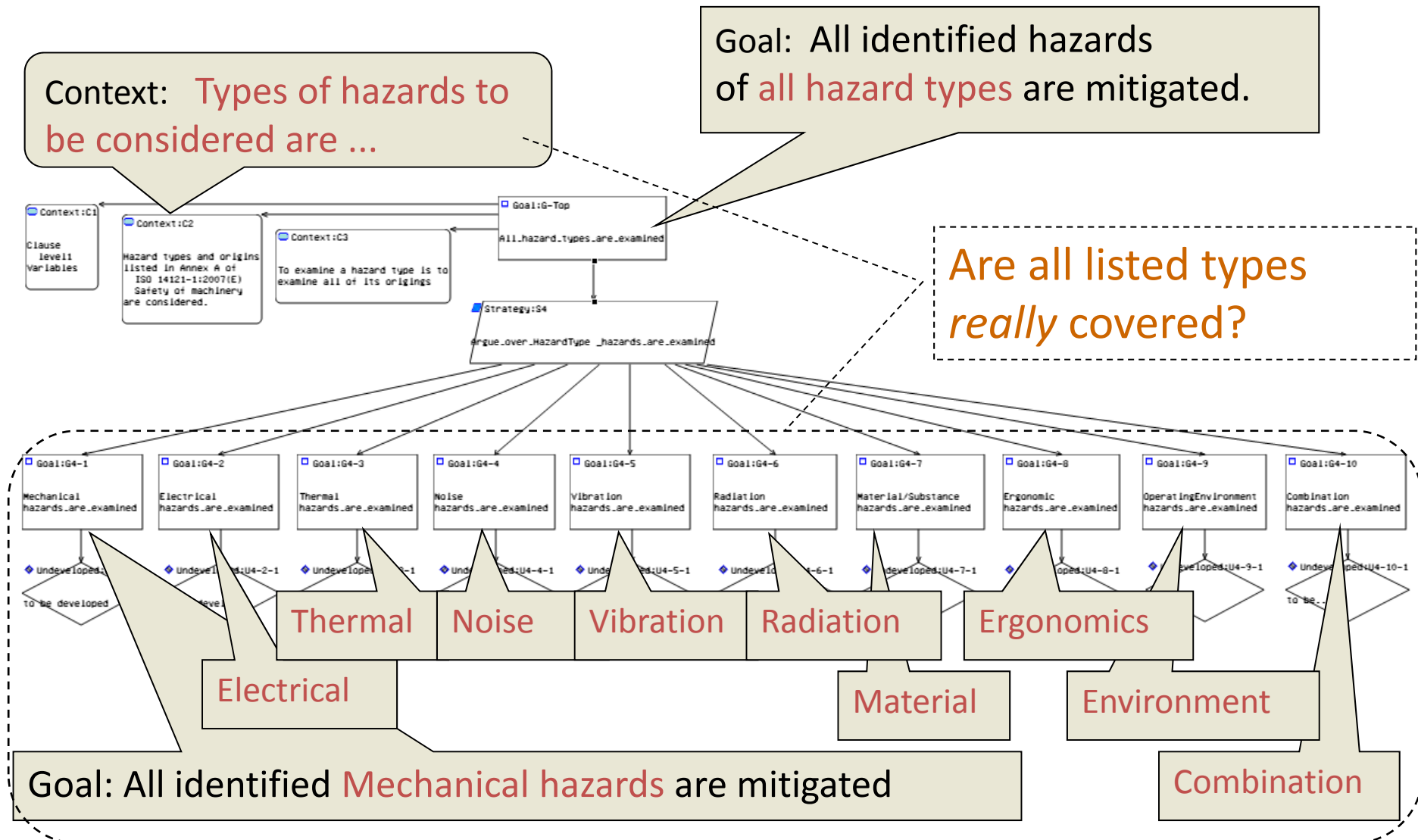


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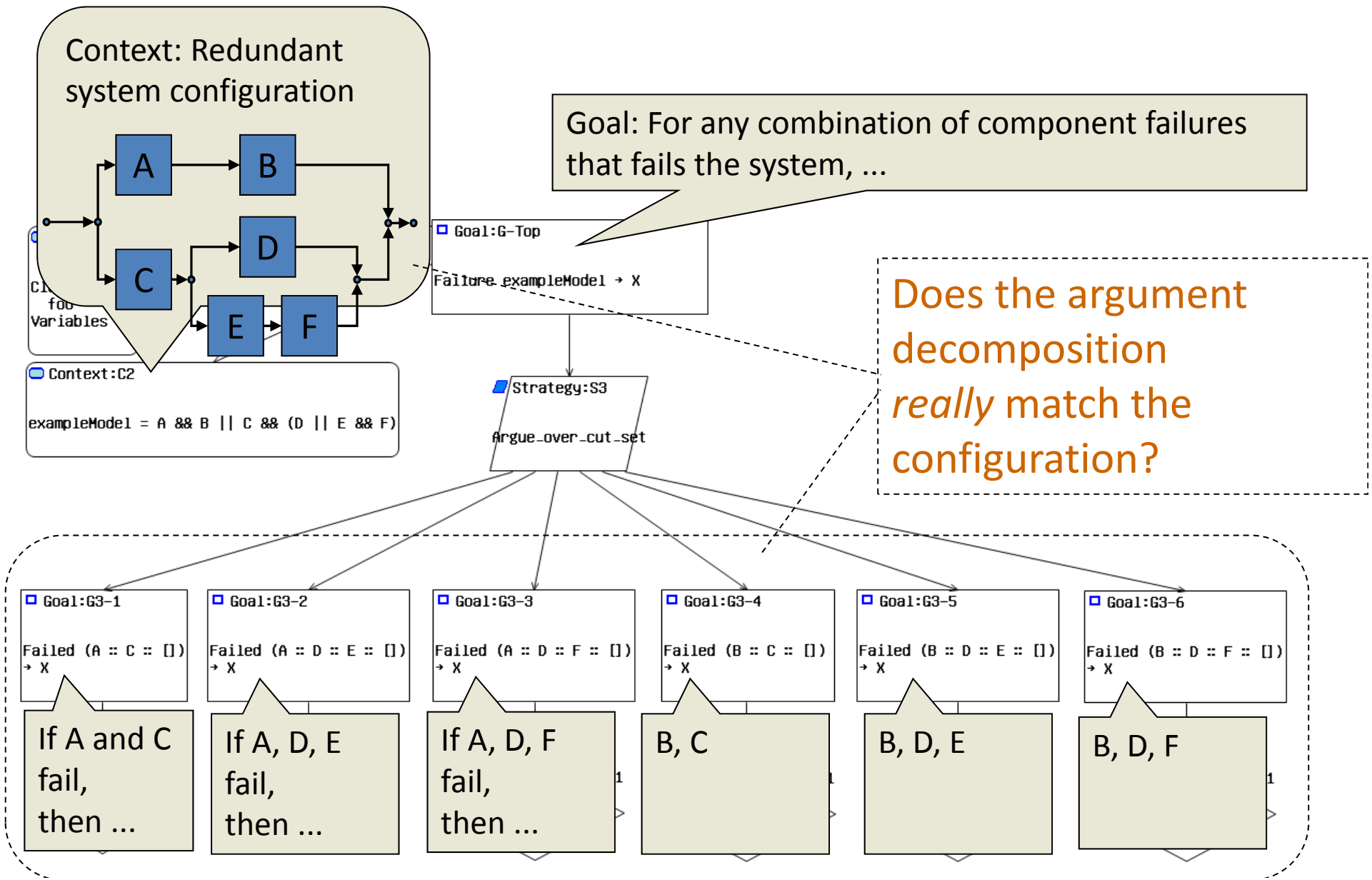
Much better than free text, but **Hard to review.** Contents of elems. are all informal, so **Even mundane checks must be done by a human reviewer** (besides exercising expert judgment)

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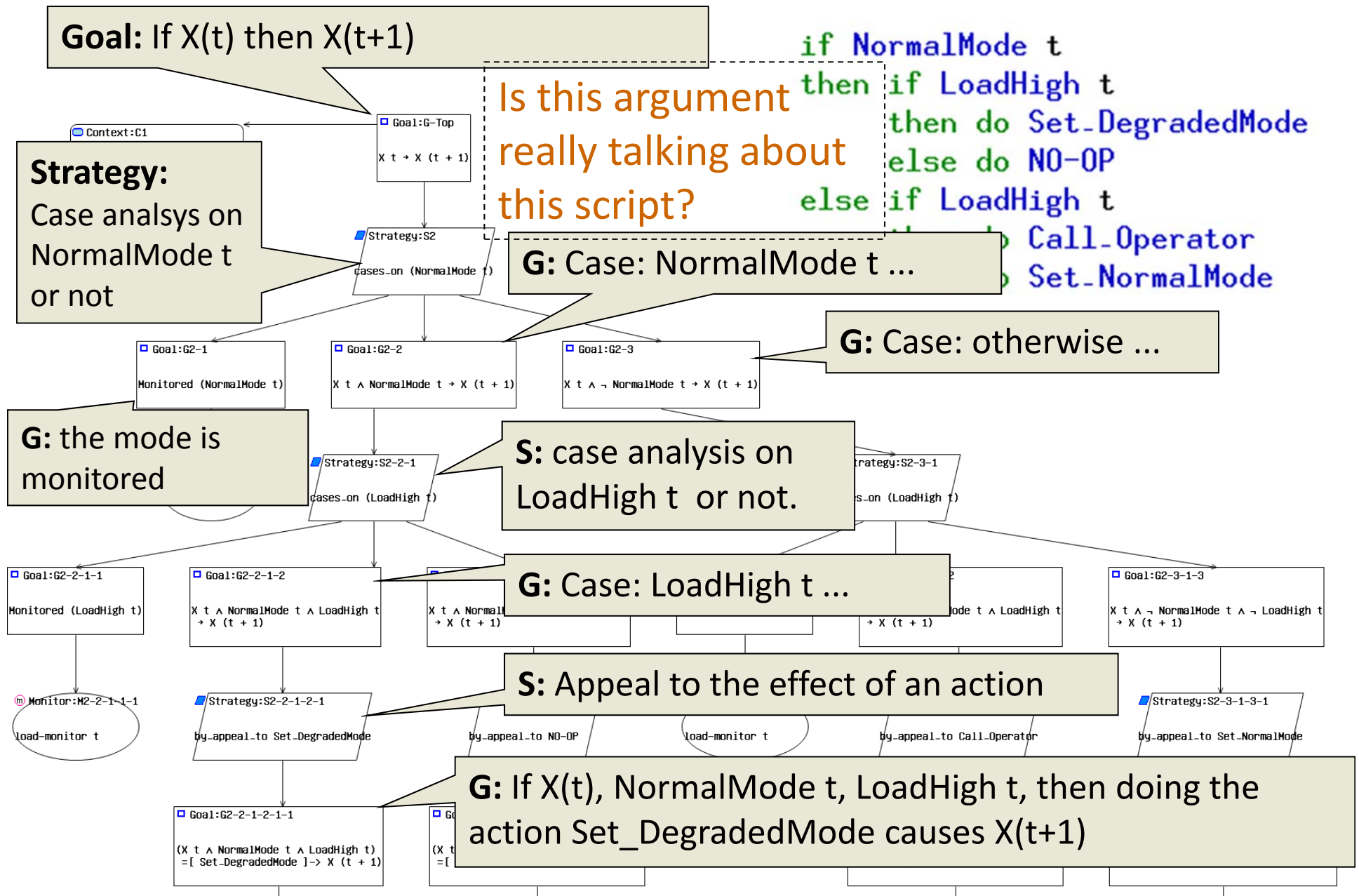
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 - Sub-Chapter 1.2 - General Description of the Unit.pdf 
 - Sub-Chapter 1.3 - Comparison with reactors of similar design.pdf 
 - Sub-Chapter 1.4 - Compliance with regulations.pdf 
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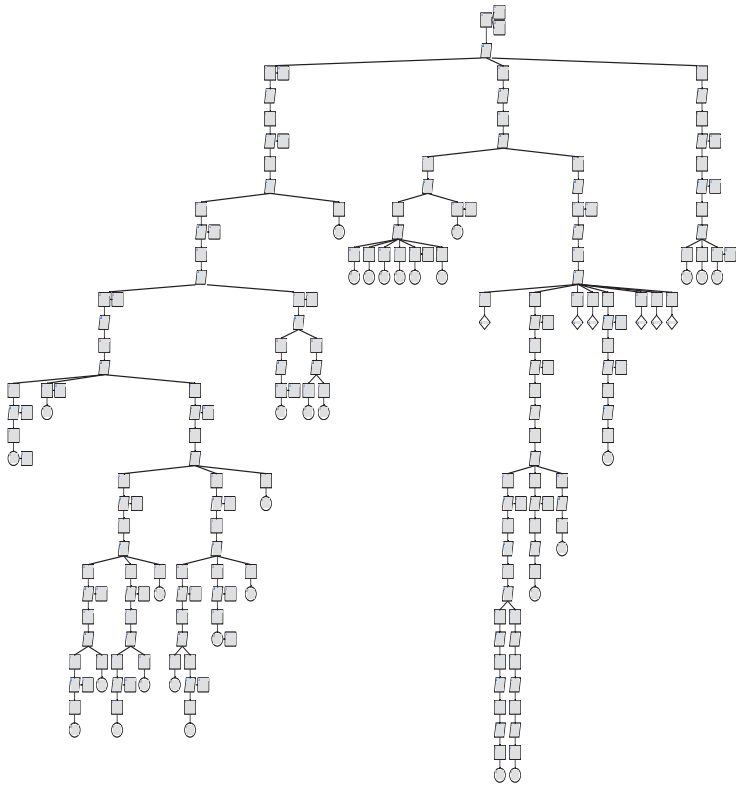
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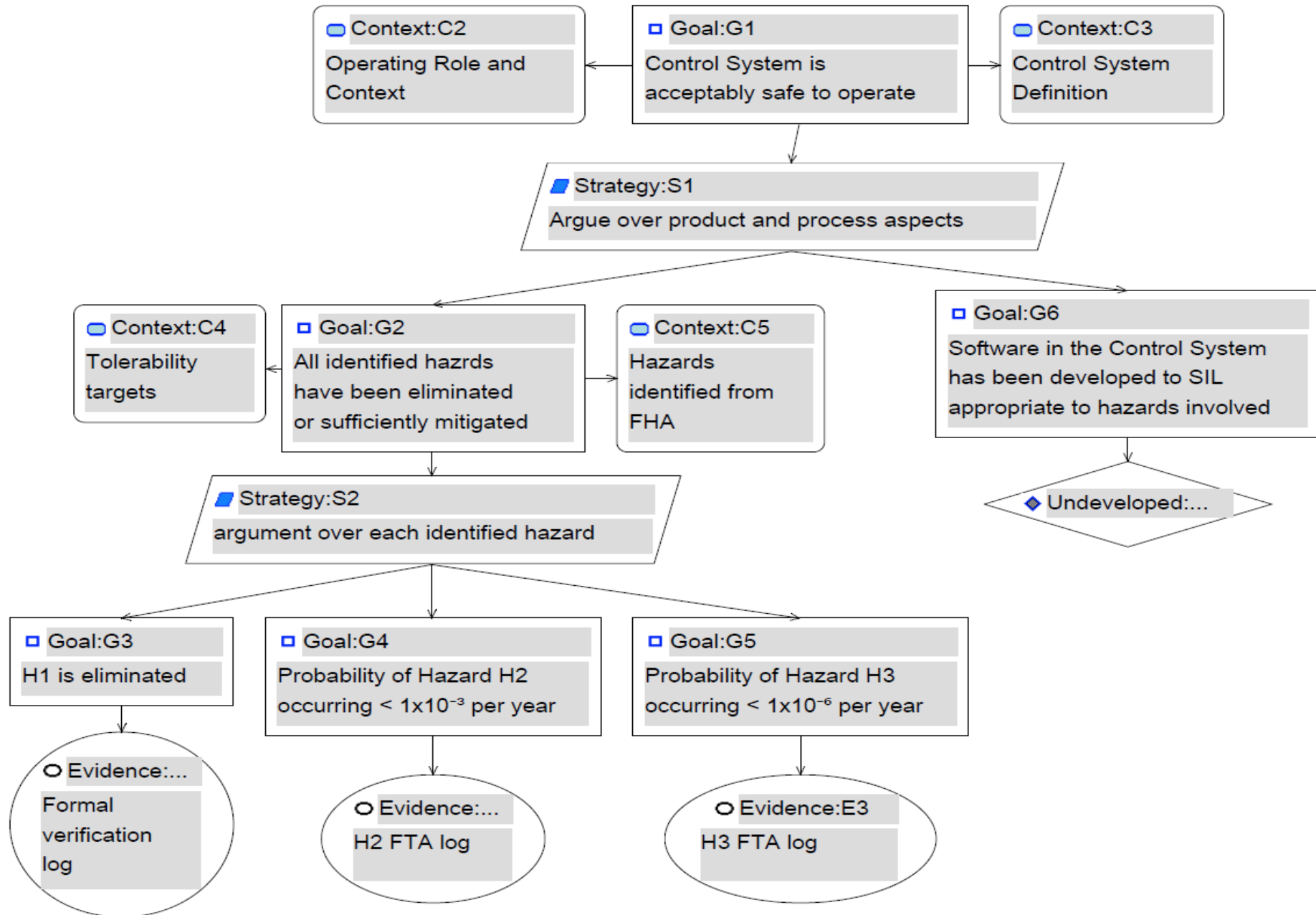
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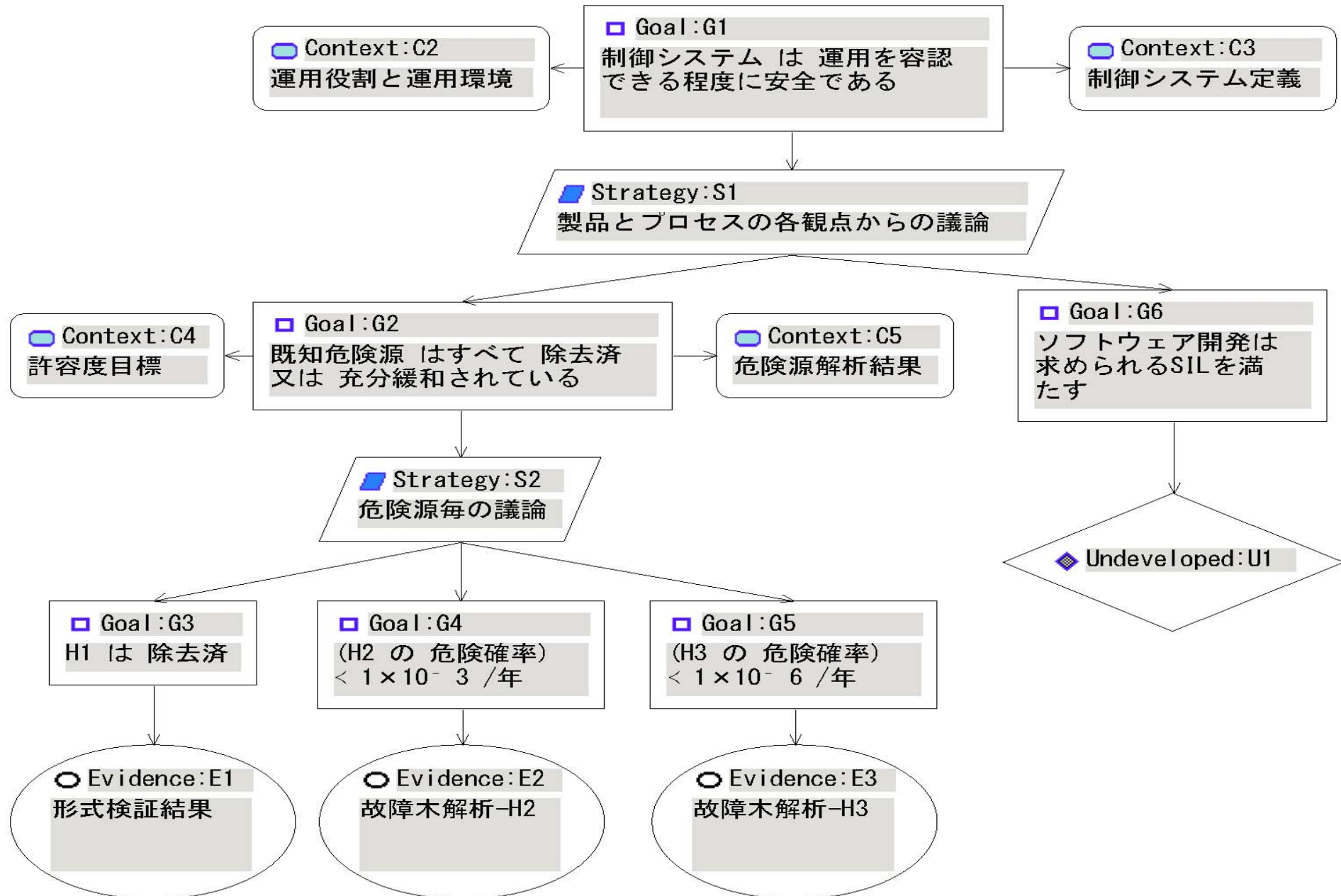
Approach: Formal Assurance Case

- Argument cannot be checked without knowing its basis.
- Human reviewers can gather the relevant **ontology** from their understanding of natural language description.
 - *what things* are a system and environment made of?
 - *what properties and relations* are required of / are assumed / constrain the sys. and env.?
- Often, these concepts are introduced in nat. lang. arguments not by defining them but by just using them.
- **Formal Assurance Case**
 - = **⟨ machine-understandable ontology
, argument based on that ontology ⟩**

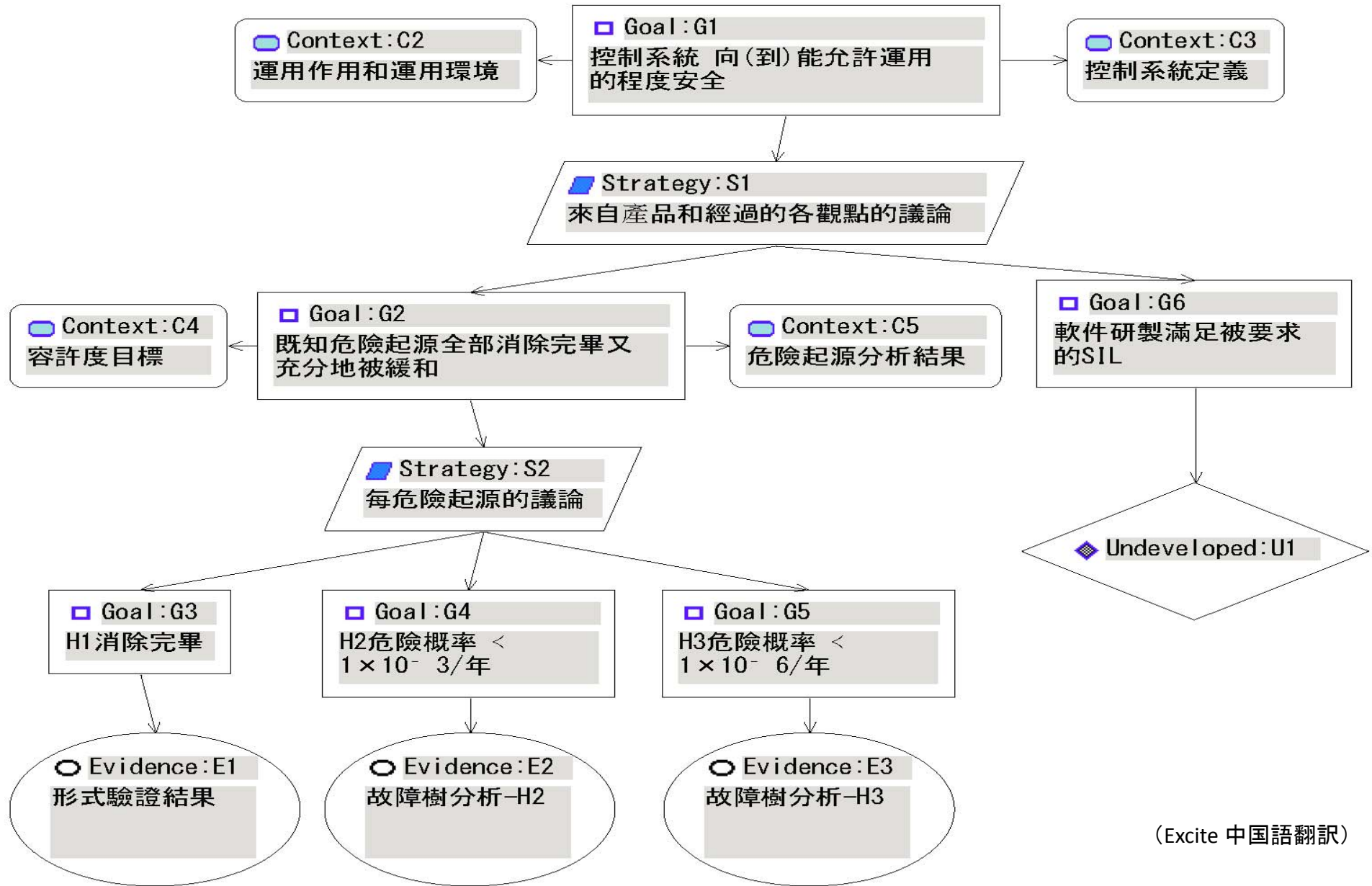
(A human reviewer knows what to check about this)



(A computer feels like looking at this)

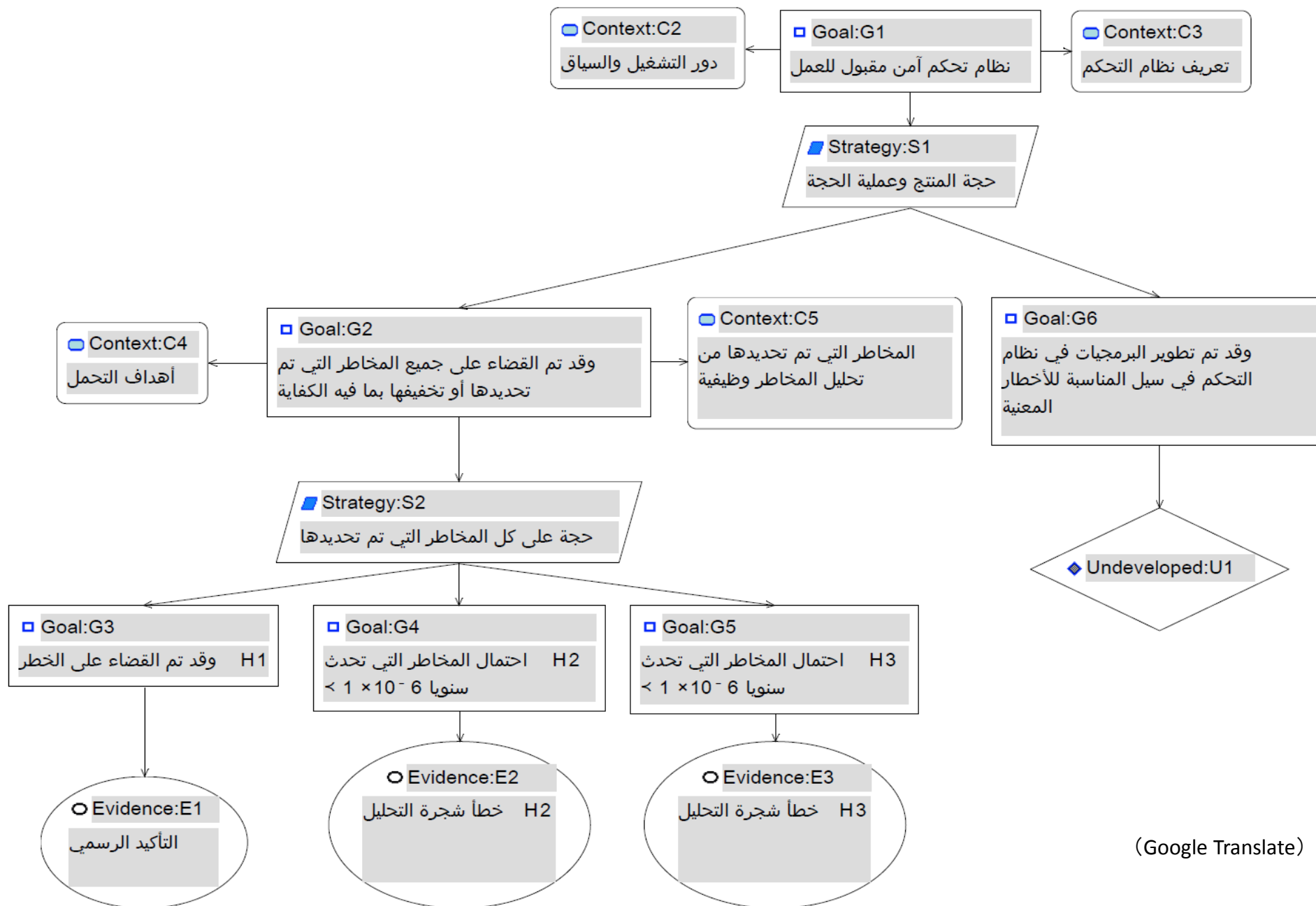


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Approach: Formal Assurance Case

- The basis of argument's integrity checking
= the relevant ontology
 - *what things* are a system and environment made of?
 - *what properties and relations* are required of / are assumed / constrain the sys. and env.?
- **Formal Assurance Case**
= **machine-understandable ontology definition**
& argument based on that ontology
- Mundane checking is reduced to mechanical checking of **“Is this argument properly based on the given ontology?”**
(whether the ont. is appropriate or not is for human to judge.)

Formal AC as *Theory & Proof*

- Formal Assurance Case

≡ machine understandable ontology & arg. based on that ontology

≡ Formal theory & Formal proof in the formal thy.

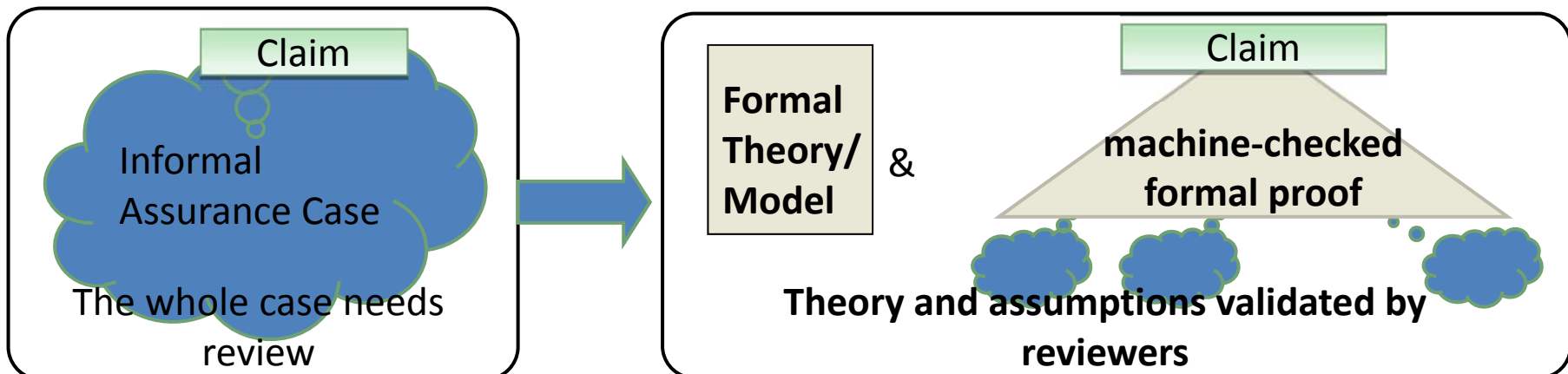
Theory part of AC:

signature (vocabulary), axioms,
defined terms, derived inferences,...

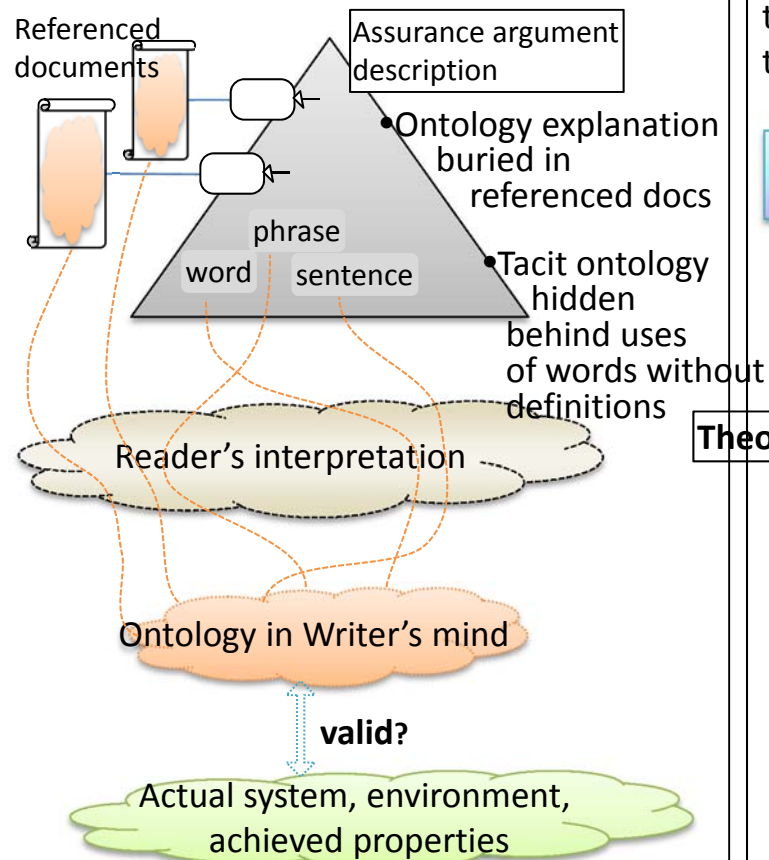
Reasoning part of AC:

legal combination of terms and
inferences

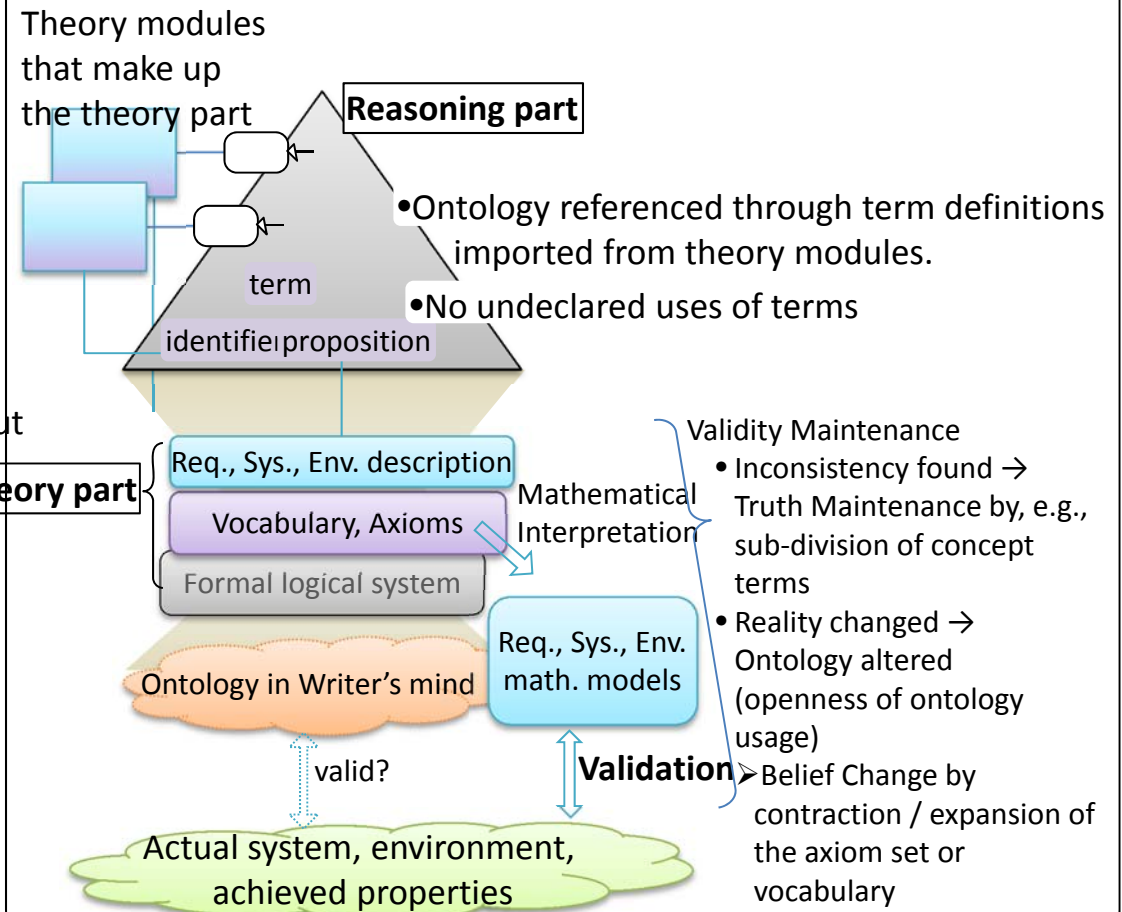
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(a) Ontology in a natural language-based assurance case



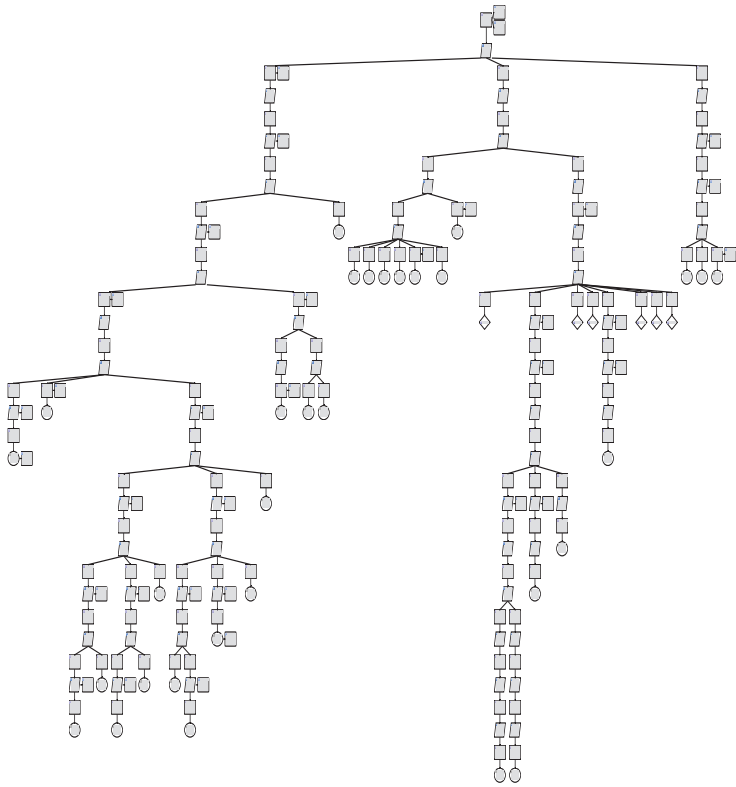
(b) Ontology in a formal assurance case



Formal AC as *Library & Program*

- Conventional formulations of formal thy/proof do not scale.
 - no definitional mechanism, no structuring / organization
- Write them as programs, applying
“**propositions as types, proofs as programs**” paradigm.
 - Prop. G = Type G of data that count as direct evidence of G .
 - Prf. p of G = Program p that constructs data of type G .
- **Agda** supports this, with convenient prog. lang. features.
- **Formal Assurance Case in Agda (FACIA)**
 - = machine-understandable ontology & arg. based on that ontology
 - = **Agda library providing types and functions**
& Agda program using the library

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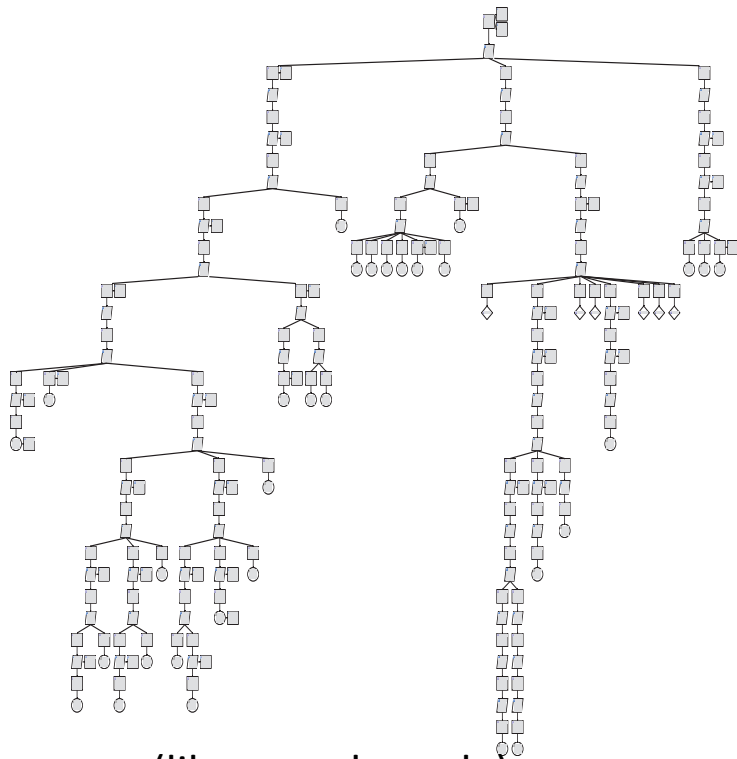


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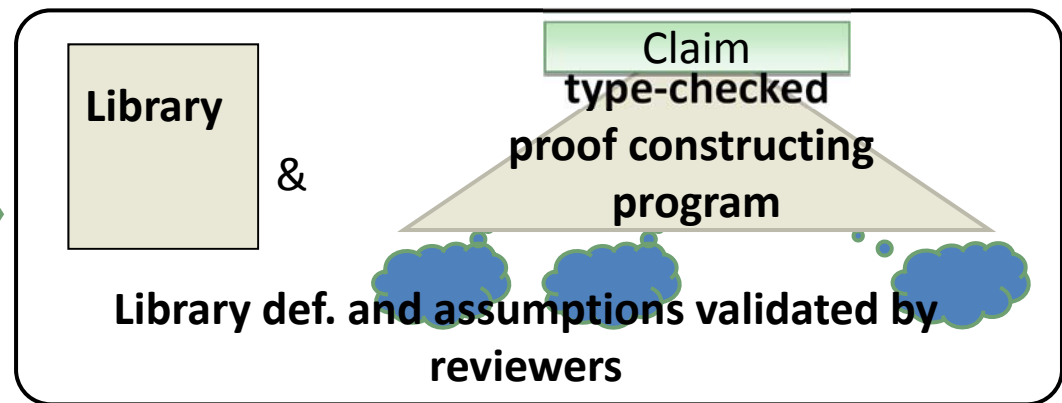
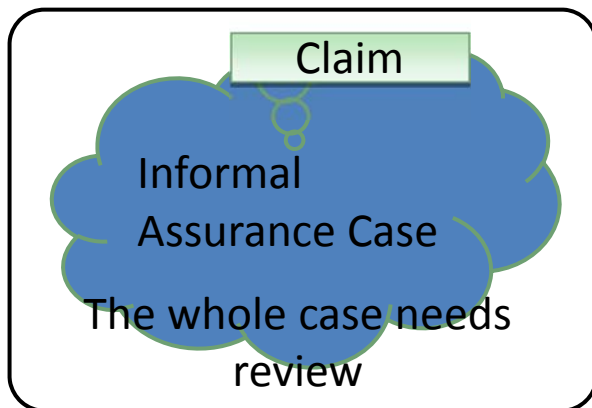
Solution with Formal Assurance Case In Agda

- FACIA = Library & Program
- **Checking an argument = type-checking a program**
- **Checking 100 connected args = doing a build on a project files**
- All the sw-eng. / programming techniques can be applied for constructing understandable, maintainable, large argument. (abstraction, modularisation, chg-mgmt, ...)

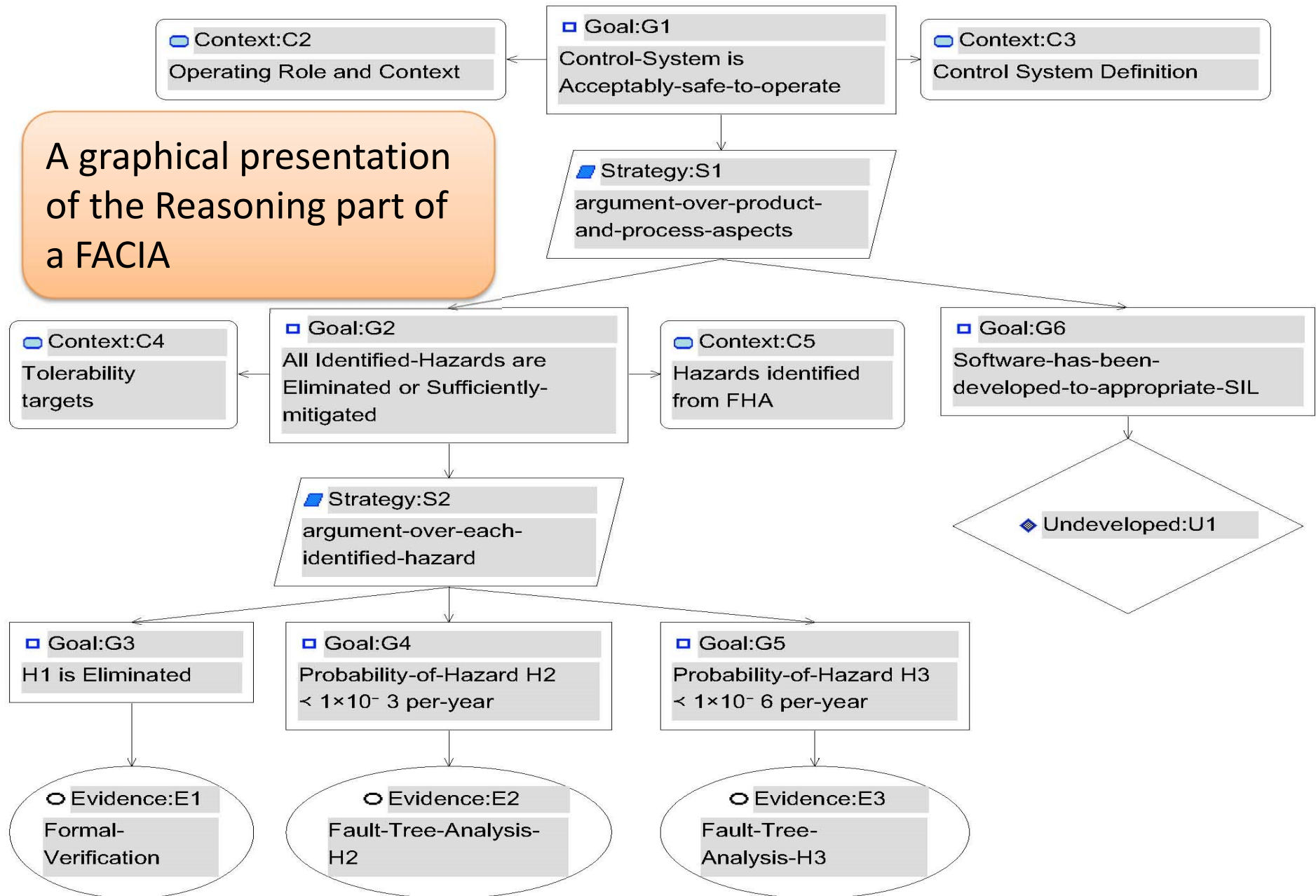


(like pseudo-code)

(like compilable code)



FACIA: a toy example



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```
(-# OPTIONS --allow-unsolved-metas #-)
module ExampleAssuranceCase where
open import Data.Empty
open import Data.Nat
open import Data.Sum
open import Data.Limit
open import PoorMansControlledEnglish

-----
-- Theory part
-----
module Theory where
data Probability.Type : Set where
  1x10-6 per_year : N → Probability.Type
  impossible : Probability.Type
postulate
  <_ : Probability.Type → Probability.Type → Set
  infix 1 <_

module C2-Control_System_Definition where
postulate
  Control_System.Type : Set
  Control_System : Control_System.Type

module C4-Hazards_Identified_from_FHA where
data Identified_Hazards : Set where
  H1 H2 H3 : Identified_Hazards
postulate
  Probability_of_Hazard : Identified_Hazards → Probability.Type

module C3-Tolerability_targets where
open C4-Hazards_Identified_from_FHA
mitigation_target : Identified_Hazards → Probability.Type
mitigation_target H1 = impossible
mitigation_target H2 = 1x10-3 per_year
mitigation_target H3 = 1x10-6 per_year
Sufficiently_mitigated : Identified_Hazards → Set
Sufficiently_mitigated h =
  Probability_of_Hazard h < mitigation_target_of h
postulate
  Eliminated : Identified_Hazards → Set
argument_over_each_identified_hazard :
  H1 is Eliminated →
  H2 is Sufficiently_mitigated →
  H3 is Sufficiently_mitigated →
  ∀ h • h is Eliminated Or Sufficiently_mitigated
argument_over_each_identified_hazard p1 p2 p3 H1 = inj₁ p1
argument_over_each_identified_hazard p1 p2 p3 H2 = inj₁ p2
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module C1-Operating_Role_and_Context where
open C2-Control_System_Definition
open C3-Tolerability_targets
open C4-Hazards_Identified_from_FHA
postulate
  Software_has_been_developed_to_appropriate_SIL : Set
  Acceptably_safe_to_operate : Control_System.Type → Set
argument_over_product_and_process_aspects :
  (For-all h of Identified_Hazards ,
  h is Eliminated Or Sufficiently_mitigated) →
  Software_has_been_developed_to_appropriate_SIL →
  Control_System is Acceptably_safe_to_operate

-----
-- References to evidence
-----
module Evidence where
open Theory
open C4-Hazards_Identified_from_FHA
open C3-Tolerability_targets
postulate
  Formal_Verification : H1 is Eliminated
  Fault_Tree_Analysis_H2 : Probability_of_Hazard H2 < 1x10-3 per_year
  Fault_Tree_Analysis_H3 : Probability_of_Hazard H3 < 1x10-6 per_year

-----
-- Reasoning part
-----
module Reasoning where
open Theory
open Evidence

main =
let open C1-Operating_Role_and_Context
    open C2-Control_System_Definition
in
  Control_System is Acceptably_safe_to_operate
  by argument_over_product_and_process_aspects
  • (let open C3-Tolerability_targets
    in
      open C4-Hazards_Identified_from_FHA
      in
        (For-all h of Identified_Hazards ,
        h is Eliminated Or Sufficiently_mitigated)
        by argument_over_each_identified_hazard
        • (H1 is Eliminated
          by Formal_Verification)
        • (Probability_of_Hazard H2 < 1x10-3 per_year
          by Fault_Tree_Analysis_H2)
        • (Probability_of_Hazard H3 < 1x10-6 per_year
          by Fault_Tree_Analysis_H3))
    • (Software_has_been_developed_to_appropriate_SIL
      by undeveloped (!) / "undeveloped" )
  )

(-# DCASE main root #-)
```

“Theory” part: (Library definition)

- Declares and defines the basis of the argument: Primitive terms for primitive things and concepts, Defined terms for defined things and concepts, Presumptive relationship among legal terms.
- Gives definite meaning to any legal combination of terms.
- Must be agreed / approved through supporting process.
- Organized into modules corresponding to contexts.

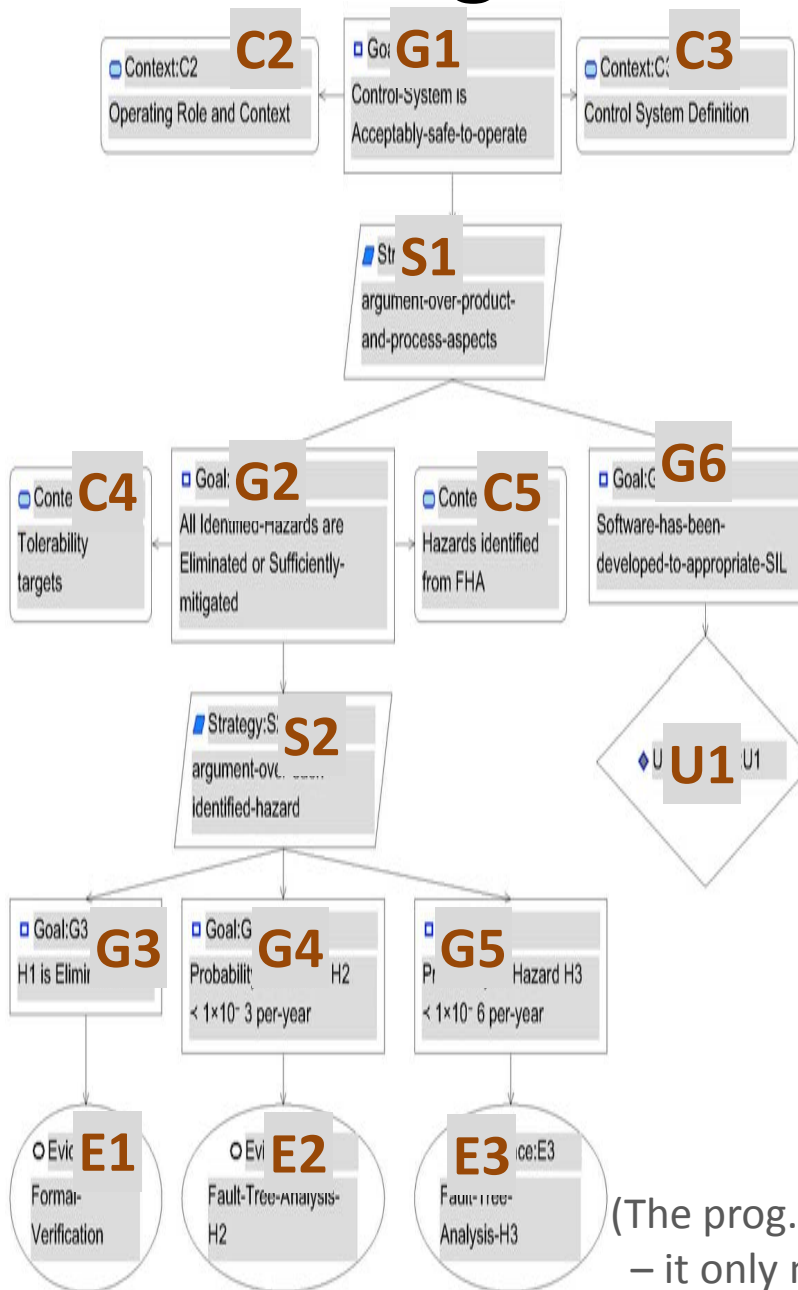
“Evidence” part

- Declares presumptive existence of evidence to some claim-terms
- Must be agreed / approved through supporting process

“Reasoning” part: (Main routine)

- Exhibits a combined term as a proof for the top claim-term. That this is a legal proof is machine-checked.
- The top claim-term must be agreed / approved.

Tree ~ Program



```
let open C2-Operating_Role_and_Context
    open C3-Control_System_Definition
```

```
in
Control_System is Acceptably_safe_to_operate -- G1
by argument_over_product_and_process_aspects -- S2
-- left sub-case.
```

```
• (let open C4-Tolerability_targets
    open C5-Hazards_identified_from_FHA
```

```
in
(All Identified_Hazards are
Eliminated or Sufficiently_mitigated) -- G2
by argument_over_each_identified_hazard -- S2
```

- (H1 is Eliminated -- G3
 by Formal_Verification) -- E1
- (Probability_of_Hazard H2 < 1x10^-3 per_year -- G4
 by Fault_Tree_Analysis_H2) -- E2
- (Probability_of_Hazard H3 < 1x10^-6 per_year -- G5
 by Fault_Tree_Analysis_H3)) -- E3

-- right sub-case

```
• (Software_has_been_developed_to_appropriate_SIL -- G6
by Undeveloped( {!!} / "Undeveloped" ) ) -- U1
```

(The prog. side is not limited to a tree form
– it only needs to compute to a tree.)

Vocabulary ~ Def/decl of types and funcs

```
module C3-Control_System_Definition where
```

```
  postulate
```

```
    Control_System_Type : Set
```

```
    Control_System : Control_System_Type
```

Unanalysed terms are postulated.

```
module C5-Hazards_identified_from_FHA where
```

```
  data Identified_Hazards : Set where
```

```
    H1 H2 H3 : Identified_Hazards
```

Analysed terms are defined.
(here, as a data type)

```
  postulate
```

```
    Probability_of_Hazard : Identified_Hazards → Probability_Type
```

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  mitigation_target : Identified_Hazards → Probability_Type
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  mitigation_target H1 = impossible
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  mitigation_target H3 = 1×10-6 per_year
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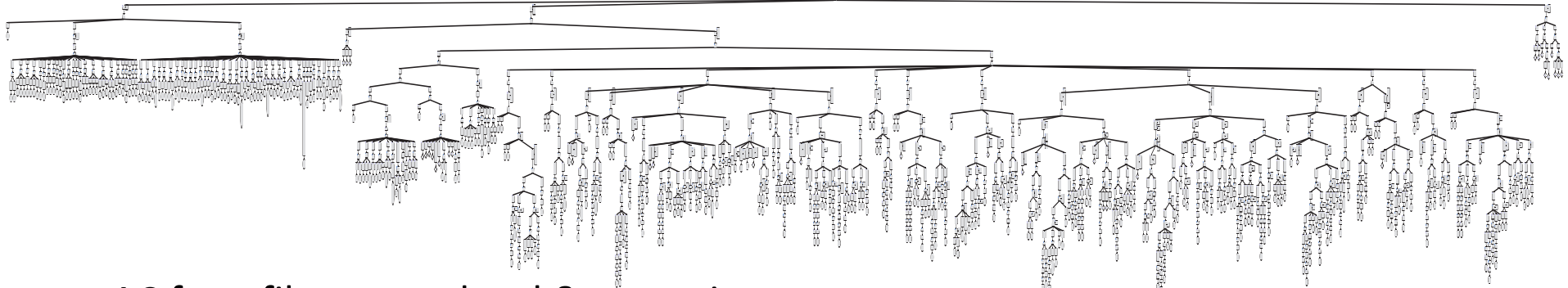
```
Sufficiently_mitigated : Identified_Hazards → Set
```

```
Sufficiently_mitigated h =
```

more complex terms from simpler ones

```
  Probability_of_Hazard h < mitigation_target of h
```

FACIA: a medium-size example



- AC for a file server devel & operation.
- 29 Files, 4 KLOC
- TopLevelArgument.agda 25
- Context
 - DEOSProcess.agda 24
 - DEOSProcess
 - ChangeAccommodation.agda 112
 - FailureResponse.agda 83
 - NormalOperation.agda 34
 - UserRequirements.agda 131
 - SpecifiedRequirements.agda 179
 - DesignSpecification.agda 176
 - SpecifiedReqToUserReq.agda 61
 - DesignSpecToSpecifiedReq.agda 81
 - RiskTreatment.agda 230
 - SpecifiedReqTest.agda 40
- Argument
 - NormalOperation.agda 22
 - NormalOperation
 - SpecifiedReqToUserReq.agda 83
 - DesignSpecToSpecifiedReq.agda 127
 - FailureResponse.agda 49
 - FailureResponse
 - 議論木
 - RiskTreatment.agda 69
 - RiskTreatment
 - RiskCasesKido.agda 2110
 - SpecifiedReqToUserReq.agda 40
 - DesignSpecToSpecifiedReq.agda 58
 - SpecifiedReqTest.agda 43
 - ChangeAccommodation.agda 34
- Evidence
 - DesignPremises.agda 78
 - TestPremises.agda 13
 - TestResults.agda 140
- Utilities.agda 6
- Utilities
 - DCaseSpecConvenience.agda 41
 - KDCase.agda 93
 - KDCaseShallow.agda 40

D-Case/Agda (“D-Case in Agda” Verification Tool)

- Provides translation between arg. in graphical form and in Agda program form.
- AC as an Agda program is checked in Agda development environment, which is also a proof assistant for constructing args as programs.

The image shows a screenshot of the D-Case Editor and the Agda proof assistant. The left side displays a graphical domain expert review of a goal hierarchy. The right side shows the corresponding Agda code in the BasicStage.agda file, which is being checked and auto-saved.

Graphical edit, domain-expert review using D-Case Editor

Checking, construction, generation using Agda proof assistant

switchable

Goal:G1
DemoLineTracker-Robot clears the DemoCourse within 35 sec

Context:C2
identified risks:
Start command not received wirelessly
Line tracking too slow
Losing the course line
Collision with other robots
Course lighting interfering with line sensing

Strategy:S1
Risk mitigation argument

Goal:G2
Risk identification and mitigation targets setting are adequate

Strategy:S2
Argue over identified risks

Goal:G3
Each identified risk is mitigated to its mitigation target

Goal:G4
Communication failure activates auto-start (vs. Start command not received wirelessly)

Goal:G5
Tracking precision is auto-adjusted for speed (vs. Line tracking too slow)

Goal:G6
Losing the line activates Search-mode (vs. Losing the course line)

Evidence:E1
Risk Analysis Report

Evidence:E2
Sub D-Case-3

Evidence:E3
Sub D-Case-1

Evidence:E4
Sub D-Case-2

Evidence:E5
Sub D-Case-4

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« DemoGoal "35 sec"
/ "DemoLineTracker-Robot clears the DemoCourse within 35
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  ⊃ { Risk_Analysis_Report / "Risk Analysis Report" })
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    ⊃ { sub-d-case Cmd_not_received / "Sub D-Case-3
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    { sub-d-case Tracking-too-slow / "Sub D-Case-
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    ⊃ { sub-d-case Losing-line / "Sub D-Case-2" })
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Auto-saving...done
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Summary

- Informal AC = unspecified ontology & arg. in nat. lang.
 - explicit ontology & arg. based on that
 - Formal AC = formal theory & formal proof in it
 - **FACIA** = Library of types/funcs & program
- **Checking an argument = Type checking a program**
- Software engineering applied to argument construction.
- The approach itself is contents-neutral / contents-free.
 - No hints for what should be argued in an AC.
 - Currently working on a **Framework for Formal AC for “Open Systems Dependability”** (FFO) that provides contents for certain AC applications, like a software framework does in some app domain.