TUTORIAL

Introduction to Object-Oriented Modeling and Simulation with OpenModelica

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Abstract

Object-Oriented modeling is a fast-growing area of modeling and simulation that provides a structured, computer-supported way of doing mathematical and equation-based modeling. Modelica is today the most promising modeling and simulation language in that it effectively unifies and generalizes previous object-oriented modeling languages and provides a sound basis for the basic concepts.

The Modelica modeling language and technology is being warmly received by the world community in modeling and simulation with major applications in virtual prototyping. It is bringing about a revolution in this area, based on its ease of use, visual design of models with combination of lego-like predefined model building blocks, its ability to define model libraries with reusable components, its support for modeling and simulation of complex applications involving parts from several application domains, and many more useful facilities. To draw an analogy, Modelica is currently in a similar phase as Java early on, before the language became well known, but for virtual prototyping instead of Internet programming.

The tutorial presents an object-oriented component-based approach to computer supported mathematical modeling and simulation through the powerful Modelica language and its associated technology. Modelica can be viewed as an almost universal approach to high level computational modeling and simulation, by being able to represent a range of application areas and providing general notation as well as powerful abstractions and efficient implementations.

The tutorial gives an introduction to the Modelica language to people who are familiar with basic programming concepts. It gives a basic introduction to the concepts of modeling and simulation, as well as the basics of object-oriented component-based modeling for the novice, and an overview of modeling and simulation in a number of application areas.

The tutorial has several goals:

- Being easily accessible for people who do not previously have a background in modeling, simulation.
- Introducing the concepts of physical modeling, object-oriented modeling and component-based modeling and simulation.
- Giving an introduction to the Modelica language.
- Demonstrating modeling examples from several application areas.
- Giving a possibility for hands-on exercises.

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1. Useful Web Links

The Modelica Association Web Page

http://www.modelica.org

Modelica publications

http://www.modelica.org/publications.shtml

Modelica related research and the OpenModelica open source project at Linköping University with download of the OpenModelica system and link to download of MathModelica Lite.

http://www.ida.liu.se/~pelab/modelica/OpenModelica.html

The Proceedings of 5th International Modelica Conference, September 4-5, 2006, Vienna, Austria

http://www.modelica.org/events/Conference2006/

The Proceedings of 4th International Modelica Conference, March 7-8, 2005, Hamburg, Germany

http://www.modelica.org/events/Conference2005/

The Proceedings of 3rd International Modelica Conference, November 3-4, 2004, Linköping, Sweden

http://www.modelica.org/events/Conference2003/

The Proceedings of 2nd International Modelica Conference, March 18-19, 2002, "Deutsches Zentrum fur Luft- und Raumfahrt" at Oberpfaffenhofen, Germany.

http://www.modelica.org/events/Conference2002/

The Proceedings of Modelica Workshop, October 23 - 24, 2000, Lund University, Lund, Sweden

http://www.modelica.org/events/workshop2000/

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Outline	
 Introduction to Modeling and Simulation Modelica - The next generation modeling an Simulation Language 	ıd
 Classes Components, Connectors and Connections Equations 	
 Discrete Events and Hybrid Systems Algorithm and Functions Modeling and Simulation Environments 	
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Model concept

A *model* of a system is anything an *experiment* can be applied to in order to answer questions about that *system*

Kinds of models:

- Mental model statement like "a person is reliable"
- Verbal model model expressed in words
- **Physical model** a physical object that mimics the system
- **Mathematical model** a description of a system where the relationships are expressed in mathematical form a *virtual prototype*
- **Physical modeling** also used for mathematical models built/structured in the same way as physical models

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Modelica – The Next Generation Modeling Language

Declarative language

Equations and mathematical functions allow acausal modeling, high level specification, increased correctness

Multi-domain modeling

Combine electrical, mechanical, thermodynamic, hydraulic, biological, control, event, real-time, etc...

Everything is a class

Strongly typed object-oriented language with a general class concept, Java & MATLAB-like syntax

Visual component programming

Hierarchical system architecture capabilities

Efficient, non-proprietary

Efficiency comparable to C; advanced equation compilation, e.g. 300 000 equations, ~150 000 lines on standard PC

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Modelica – The Next Generation Modeling Language

High level language

MATLAB-style array operations; Functional style; iterators, constructors, object orientation, equations, etc.

MATLAB similarities

MATLAB-like array and scalar arithmetic, but strongly typed and efficiency comparable to C.

Non-Proprietary

- Open Language Standard
- · Both Open-Source and Commercial implementations

Flexible and powerful external function facility

LAPACK interface effort started

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Modelica Conferences	
 The 1st International Modelica conference October 2000 	r,
 The 2nd International Modelica conference March 19, 2002 	18-
 The 3rd International Modelica conference Novem 5-6, 2003 in Linköping, Sweden 	ber
 The 4th International Modelica conference March 6 2005 in Hamburg, Germany 	6-7,
 The 5th International Modelica conference planned September 4-5, 2006 in Vienna, Austria 	ł
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Variables a	and Constants
Built-in prim	nitive data types
Boolean	true or false
Integer	Integer value, e.g. 42 or –3
Real	Floating point value, e.g. 2.4e-6
String	String, e.g. "Hello world"
Enumerati	on Enumeration literal e.g. ShirtSize.Medium
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Domain Type	Potential	Flow	Carrier	Modelica Library
Electrical	Voltage	Current	Charge	Electrical. Analog
Translational	Position	Force	Linear momentum	Mechanical. Translationa
Rotational	Angle	Torque	Angular momentum	Mechanical. Rotational
Magnetic	Magnetic potential	Magnetic flux rate	Magnetic flux	
Hydraulic	Pressure	Volume flow	Volume	HyLibLight
Heat	Temperature	Heat flow	Heat	HeatFlow1D
Chemical	Chemical potential	Particle flow	Particles	Under construction
Pneumatic	Pressure	Mass flow	Air	PneuLibLight



































































connect-equations				
In Modelica connect-equations are used to establish connections between components via connectors				
<pre>connect(connector1, connector2)</pre>				
Repetitive connect-equations				
class RegComponent				
Component components[n];				
for i in 1:n-1 loop				
<pre>connect(components[i].outlet,components[i+1].inlet);</pre>				
end RegComponent;				
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Importing Defin	itions from Packages			
Qualified import Single definition import Unqualified import Renaming import	<pre>- import <packagename> - import <packagename> . <definitionname> - import <packagename> . * - import <shortpackagename> = <packagename></packagename></shortpackagename></packagename></definitionname></packagename></packagename></pre>			
The four forms of import are exemplified below assuming that we want to access the addition operation (add) of the package Modelica.Math.ComplexNumbers				
<pre>import Modelica.M import Modelica.M import Modelica.M import Co = Model</pre>	ath.ComplexNumbers; //Access as ComplexNumbers.add ath.ComplexNumbers.add; //Access as add ath.ComplexNumbers.* //Access as add ica.Math.ComplexNumbers //Access as Co.add			
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Qualified Import		
Qualified import < import <packagename></packagename>		
The <i>qualified import</i> statement import <packagename>; imports all definitions in a package, which subsequently can be referred to by (usually shorter) names simplepackagename . definitionname, where the simple package name is the <i>packagename</i> without its prefix.</packagename>		
<pre>encapsulated package ComplexUser1 import Modelica Math.ComplexNumbers; class User ComplexNumbers.Complex a(x=1.0, y=2.0); ComplexNumbers.Complex b(x=1.0, y=2.0); ComplexNumbers.Complex z,w; equation z = ComplexNumbers.multiply(a,b); w = ComplexNumbers.multiply(a,b); w = ComplexNumbers.midd(a,b); end User; end ComplexUser1;</pre>	This is the most common form of import that eliminates the risk for name collisions when importing from several packages	
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Modelica Standard Library cont'

Modelica Standard Library contains components from various application areas, with the following sublibraries:

- Blocks Library for basic input/output control blocks
- Constants Mathematical constants and constants of nature
- Electrical Library for electrical models
- Icons Icon definitions
- Math Mathematical functions
- · Mechanics Library for mechanical systems
- Media Media Media models for liquids and gases
- Slunits Type definitions based on SI units according to ISO 31-1992
- Stategraph Hierarchical state machines (analogous to Statecharts)
- Thermal Components for thermal systems
- Utility Utilities Utility functions especially for scripting
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Modelica.Math			
Package containing basic mathematical functions:			
sin(<i>u</i>)	sine		
cos(<i>u</i>)	cosine		
tan(u)	tangent (<i>u</i> shall not be:,- $\pi/2$, $\pi/2$, $3\pi/2$,)		
asin(<i>u</i>)	inverse sine (-1 $\leq u \leq$ 1)		
acos(u)	inverse cosine $(-1 \le u \le 1)$		
atan(u)	inverse tangent		
atan2(<i>u1</i> , <i>u</i> 2)	four quadrant inverse tangent		
sinh(<i>u</i>)	hyperbolic sine		
cosh(<i>u</i>)	hyperbolic cosine		
tanh(u)	hyperbolic tangent		
exp(u)	exponential, base e		
log(<i>u</i>)	natural (base e) logarithm ($u > 0$)		
log10(<i>u</i>)	base 10 logarithm $(u > 0)$		
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Some Other Free Libraries		
• ExtendedPetriNets	Petri nets and state transition diagrams (extended version)	
• QSSFluidFlow	Quasi Steady-Sate Fluid Flows	
• SystemDynamics	System Dynamics Formalism	
• Atplus	Building Simulation and Building Control (includes Fuzzy Control library)	
• ThermoPower	Thermal power plants	
• WasteWater	Library for biological wastewater treatment plants	
• SPICELib	Support modeling and analysis capabilities of the circuit simulator PSPICE	
Read more about the libraries at www.modelica.org/library/library.html		
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Exercises Using OpenModelica and MathModelica Lite

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1 Simple Textual Modelica Modeling Exercises

1.1 Try DrModelica with VanDerPol

Locate the VanDerPol model in DrModelica (link from Section 2.1), run it, change it slightly, and re-run it.

1.2 HelloWorld

Simulate and plot the following example with one differential equation and one initial condition. Do a slight change in the model, re-simulate and re-plot.

```
model HelloWorld "A simple equation"
  Real x(start=1);
equation
  der(x) = -x;
end HelloWorld;
```

1.3 BouncingBall

Locate the BouncingBall model in one of the hybrid modeling sections of DrModelica (e.g. Section 2.9), run it, change it slightly, and re-run it.

1.4 A Simple Equation System

Make a Modelica model that solves the following equation system with initial conditions:

```
\dot{x} = 2 * x * y - 3 * x

\dot{y} = 5 * y - 7 * x * y

x(0) = 2

y(0) = 3
```

1.5 Functions and Algorithm Sections

a) Write a function, sum, which calculates the sum of Real numbers, for a vector of arbitrary size.

b) Write a function, average, which calculates the average of Real numbers, in a vector of arbitrary size. The function average should make use of a function call to sum.

2 Graphical Design using MathModelica Lite

2.1 Simple DC-Motor

Make a simple DC-motor using the Modelica standard library that has the following structure:



Save the model from the graphic editor, load it and simulate it (using OMShell or OMNotebook) for 15s and plot the variables for the outgoing rotational speed on the inertia axis and the voltage on the voltage source (denoted u in the figure) in the same plot.

Hint: if you have difficulty finding the names of the variables to plot, you can flatten the model by calling instantiateModel, which exposes all variable names.

2.2 DC-Motor with Spring and Inertia

Add a torsional spring to the outgoing shaft and another inertia element. Simulate again and see the results. Adjust some parameters to make a rather stiff spring.



2.3 DC-Motor with Controller (Extra)

Add a PI controller to the system and try to control the rotational speed of the outgoing shaft. Verify the result using a step signal for input. Tune the PI controller by changing its parameters in MathModelica Lite.

