AnyLogic – a New Generation Professional Simulation Tool

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### Modeling



### Analytical vs Simulation Modeling

#### Analytical (e.g. Excel-based)

- Static, mostly deterministic model
- + Helps to find some solutions
- + Easy to implement
- Hard to capture time, dynamics
- Hard to capture complex causal dependencies
- Hard to model time-related constraints
- Cannot play the model in time

#### Simulation

- Executable simulation model
- + Naturally captures causal dependencies and timed constraints of any complexity
- + Easily captures stochastic nature of the problem
- + Can play the model behavior in detail
- + Enables to measure virtually anything
- Takes more time and skills to develop

#### FOR SYSTEMS WITH DYNAMIC BEHAVIOR:

- May miss a good solution or even give incorrect one + Gives better, more informed solutions

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#### An Example: Airport Terminal



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#### **Abstraction Levels and Approaches**



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#### AnyLogic A New Technology Simulation Tool

1950s 1960s	Block-based modeling of ODE on analog computers Jay W.Forrester. Industrial Dynamics: a Major Breakthrough for Decision Makers. Harvard Business Rev., 1958, v.36, N4
1970s	Gordon, G. A general purpose systems simulator. IBM Syst. J. 1962
1980s 1990s	Modern IT concepts and theories Object-oriented approach New programming languages Hybrid modeling theory Theory of distributed communicated processes Modern graphical user interface
New Millennium L Ti	AnyLogic started in 1998 aditional tools AnyLogic

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#### AnyLogic: all abstraction levels and mix approaches

High Abstraction Less Details Macro Level Strategic Level

Middle Abstraction Average Details Meso Level Tactical Level

Low Abstraction More Details Micro Level Operational Level



# AnyLogic Modeling Framework



# **AnyLogic Professional Simulation Tool**

- Discrete, continuous and hybrid modeling
- Multiple modeling approaches:
  - UML-based OO modeling
  - Block-based flowchart modeling using predefined library blocks
  - Differential and algebraic equations
  - Modeling in Java



### AnyLogic - basics

- Java
- OO-approach, UML-RT
  - Active objects, messages, statecharts, timers, etc., etc., etc.
- Hybrid dynamic system theory
  - Algebraic-differential equations, hybrid automata
- Theory of communicated sequential prosesses
- Best ideas of traditional simulation approaches
  - Visual specification, Flowcharts, Block diagrams, System Dynamics, ...
- > 20 years of research
  - Research projects for HPLabs, Philips, Siemens, Samsung, IBM, AFRL, ...
- > 10 years of SW product and simulation model development
  - SW products: COVERS, ModelVision, xjCharts, AnyStates, AnyLogic

### Two Stages of Modeling in AnyLogic



#### Reducing complexity/flexibility

- Visual model development
  - Active objects, structure and behavior
  - Continuous / discrete
  - Predefined library objects
- Visual animation development
- Use all power of Java if needed

#### The ultimate goal is analysis, not model development!



- Run the model
  - Interactive control of model execution
  - Support of debugging and calibration
- Rich set of experimental stuff
  - Sensitivity, optimization, stochastic, ...
- Integration, interoperability
  - DB and Spreadsheet interface
  - Interface with external hardware and SW

#### AnyLogic – State of the Art

- Dozens of companies use AL
  - IBM, Boeing, General Electric, General Motors, Mitsubishi, Siemens, Rockwell Collins, US Air Force Research Lab, INRIA, Intelligent Finance, SolutionWorx, Canadian Nat Railways, Sony, ARC Seibersdorf Reseach, Avitech Aviation Management Tech., ...
- Universities all over the World
  - TU Vienna, Uni Maastricht, Uni Karlsrue, Asahikawa National College of Technology, Auburn Uni, Purdue Uni, Uni of Illinois, Uni Virinia, Australian Defence Force Academy, Uni-Erlangen, Frauhoffer Uni, Uni Uta, Ohio State Uni, ...

#### Russian Companies and Universities

- Russian Aluminium, EuroSib, ImpexBank
- State University of Management, Ulianovsk Uni, Ural Tech Uni, St.Petersburg Uni, St.Petersburg Banking Inst, ...
- Partners
  - ATN(France), ARC(Austria), SMS, SimNexus, OptTec, StatFit,
- About dozen of distributors
  - ARC, Simulation Modeling Serices, ATN, Cosinus, Decisio Consulting, Pitotech (Taiwan), Evans & Peck (Australia), ...
- Conferences
  - Winter Sim, IIE Annual Conf, System Dynamics Conf, Sim Sol, ...

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#### Questions?

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