



EQUATION-BASED MODELING

Lecture 2.2

Modelon

OVERVIEW



Equation-based components



State selection in a dynamic system



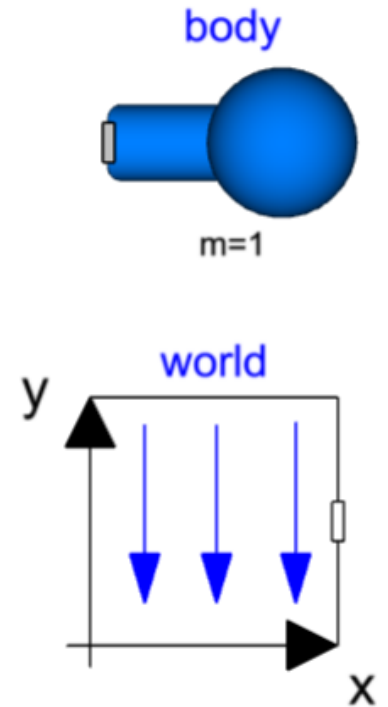
Initialization



EQUATION-BASED COMPONENTS

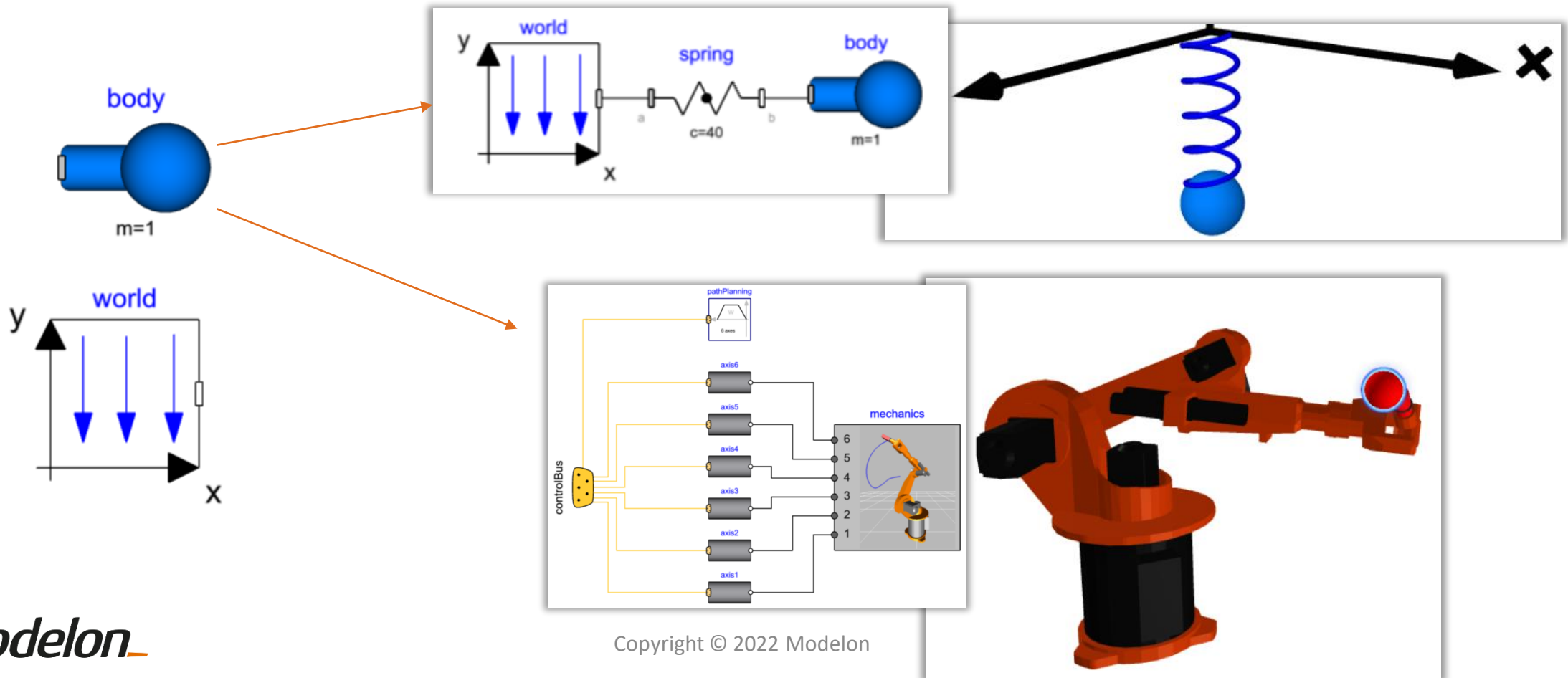
EQUATION-BASED COMPONENTS

- Consider a physical system, like a mass in a gravity field, there are many different types of analysis to do; for example:
 - Given an initial speed and altitude, when will the mass return to earth?
 - What external force is required to reach a desired altitude profile?
- Independent of the type of analysis you would like to do on this system, the basic textbook equations will always remain the same
- Equation-based modeling is acausal
- Equation-based modeling can be used to create reusable code!



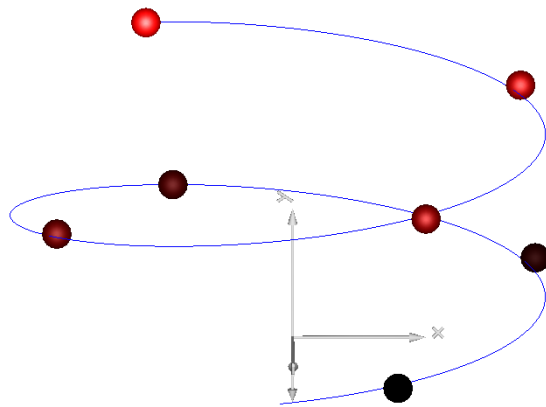
BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

- Equation-based modeling is all about separating the physical and mathematical principles and laws from the boundary conditions of a specific case.



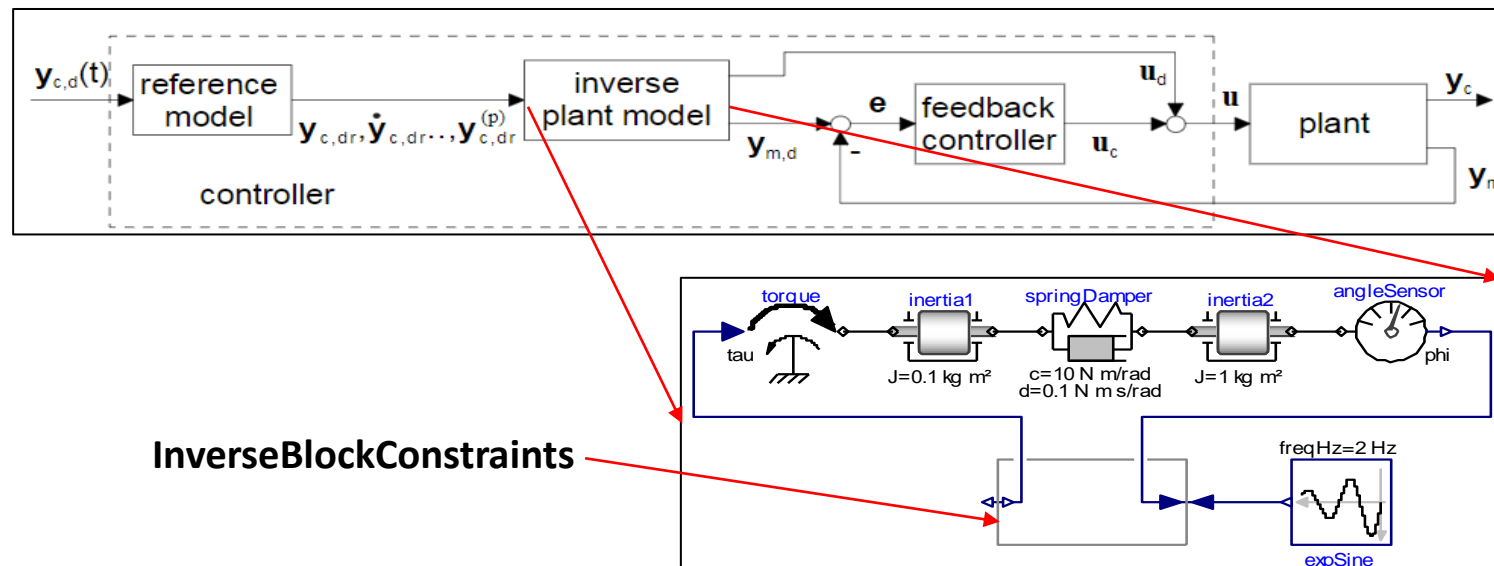
SOLVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF PROBLEMS

- Both the dynamic conditions and the initial conditions are acausal
 - Allows to solve different types of problems: **dynamic/steady-state, forward/inverse**
- A dynamic model can be used for steady state initialisation
 - Initialize with $v=0$ and $a=0$
- The same model can be used to solve both the forward problem and its inverse (given that there is an inverse solution)
 - Provide an equation for the trajectory and calculate the drive force



INVERSE MODELING

- Model inversion is a powerful feature that has many applications like advanced controller design
- Acausal nature of Modelica models makes it a very good candidate for automatic inversion of models
- Modelica models are automatically rearranged based on boundary condition imposition during translation process in a tool
- Impact's symbolic processing capabilities help the model inversion with very less user effort



The background image is a dark, semi-transparent composite. On the left, a person's hands are shown typing on a laptop keyboard. On the right, a large, detailed turbine wheel is visible. The overall scene suggests a technical or engineering environment.

STATE SELECTION IN A DYNAMIC SYSTEM

DEGREES OF FREEDOM VS STATE VARIABLES

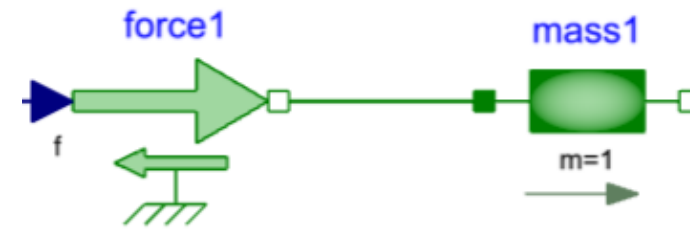
- In mechanics, the degrees-of-freedom (DOF) are essentially the directions that the system or parts of the system can move without breaking:
 - A body in space has six DOF, three for translational motion, and three for rotational motion.
 - Constraints can remove DOF:
 - A door has one DOF as it can only swing around its hinges
 - A scissor mechanism also only has one DOF
- The minimal set of variables needed to uniquely define the state of the system are called state variables
 - If the set of variables that represent each DOF is known, the state of the system is known.



STATE VARIABLES

Consider a 1-D mass

- 2nd order eqn: $m \cdot \ddot{s} = f$
- System of 1st order eqn:
$$\begin{cases} \dot{s} = v \\ m \cdot \dot{v} = f \end{cases}$$



$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/m \end{pmatrix} f \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{Bu} \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u})$$

- Here \mathbf{x} is the state vector $\begin{pmatrix} s \\ v \end{pmatrix}$

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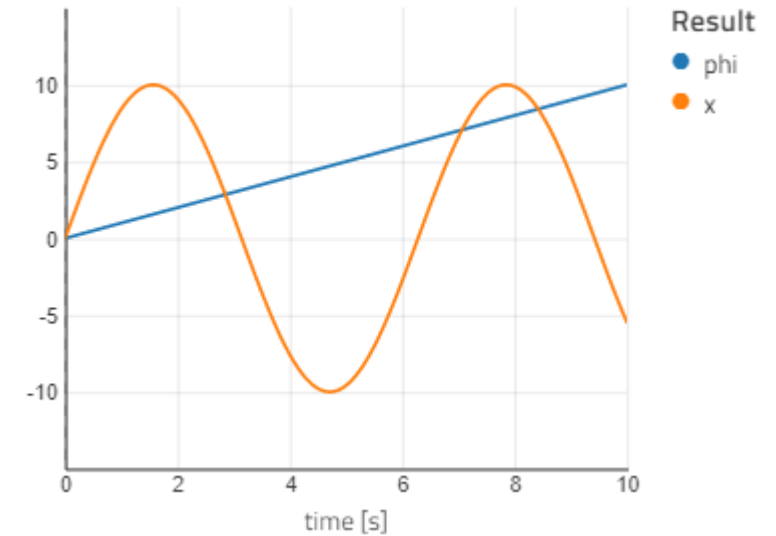
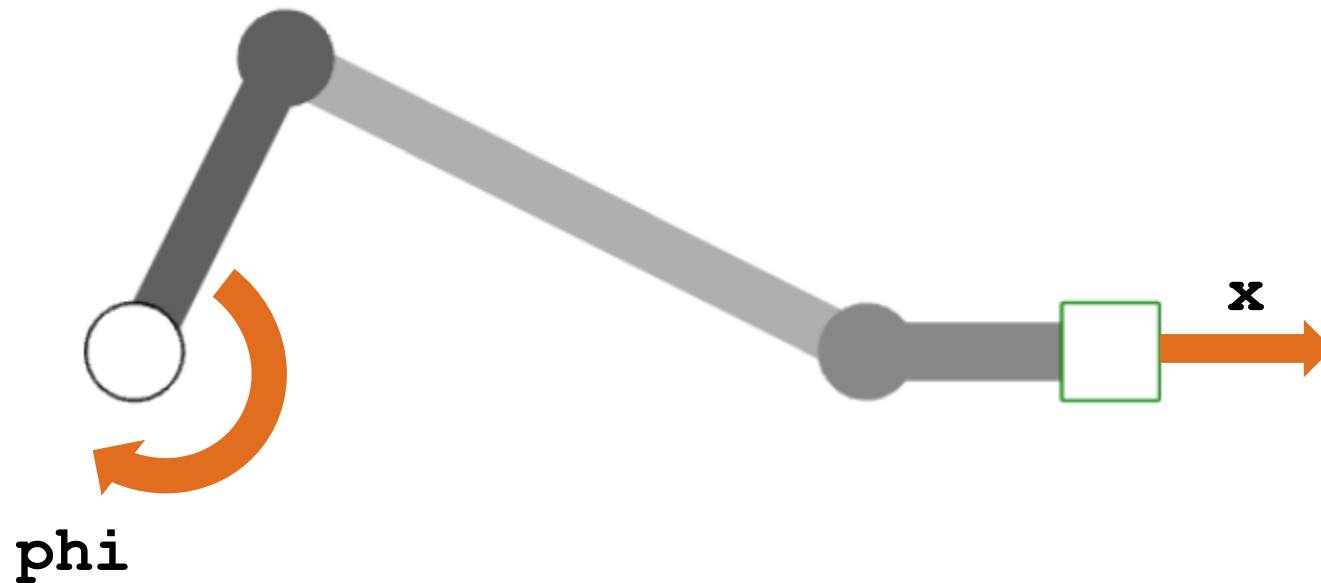
- When a numerical integration algorithm is applied (Explicit or Implicit)

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \quad \rightarrow \quad \mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_n, \mathbf{U}_n) \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}_{n+1}, \mathbf{U}_{n+1})$$

- Where \mathbf{X} is the numerical solution
- This implies that you need initial conditions \mathbf{X}_0 for each state

STATE SELECTION

Consider a slider-crank mechanism:
What variable could be a state, x or ϕ ?



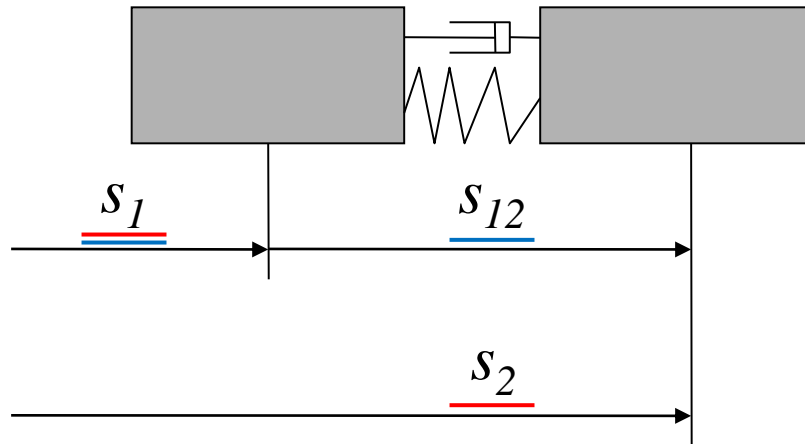
You must compute either:

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{f}(\phi) ;$$

$$\phi = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}) ;$$

STATE SELECTION

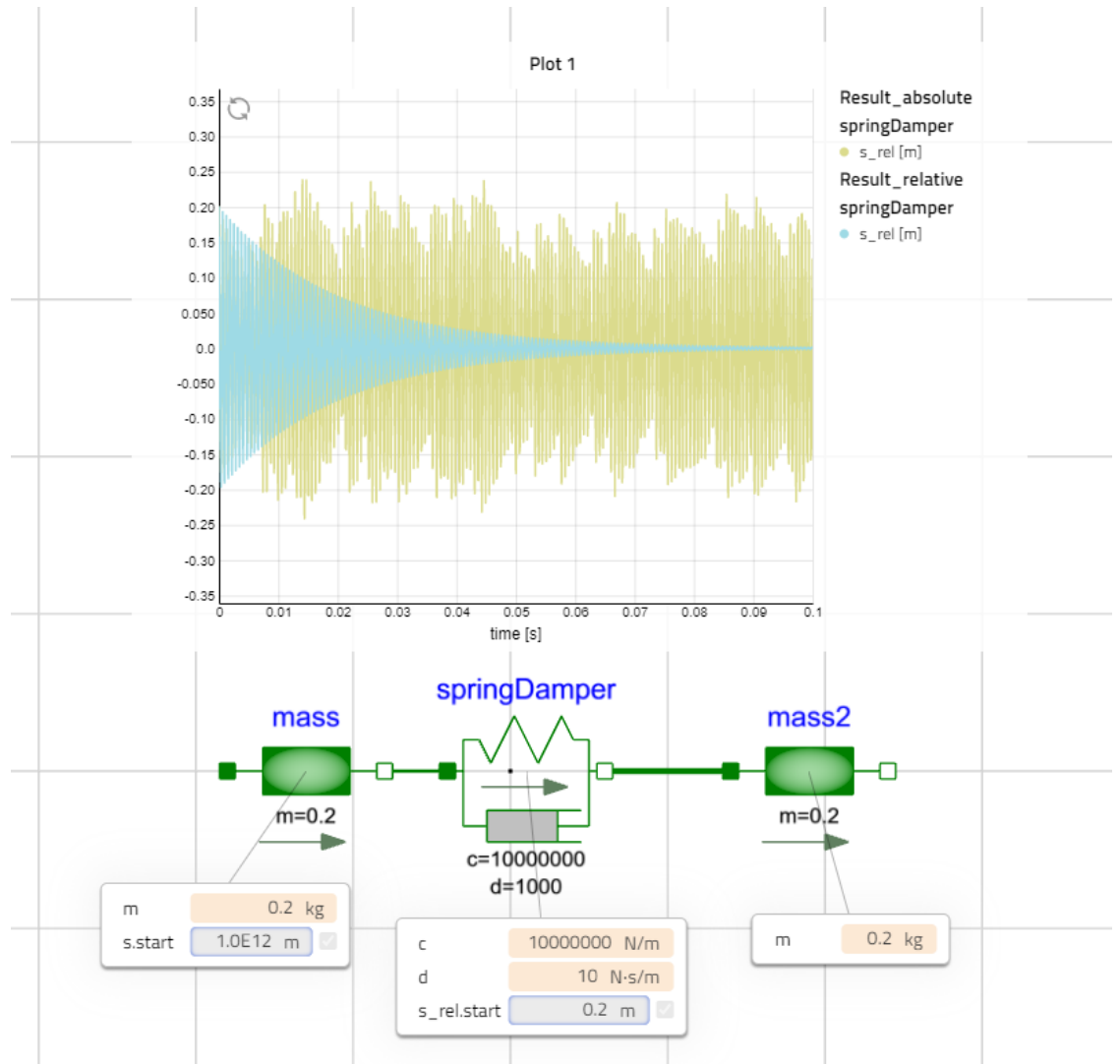
Oscillating masses



$$f = d v_{12} + c s_{12}$$

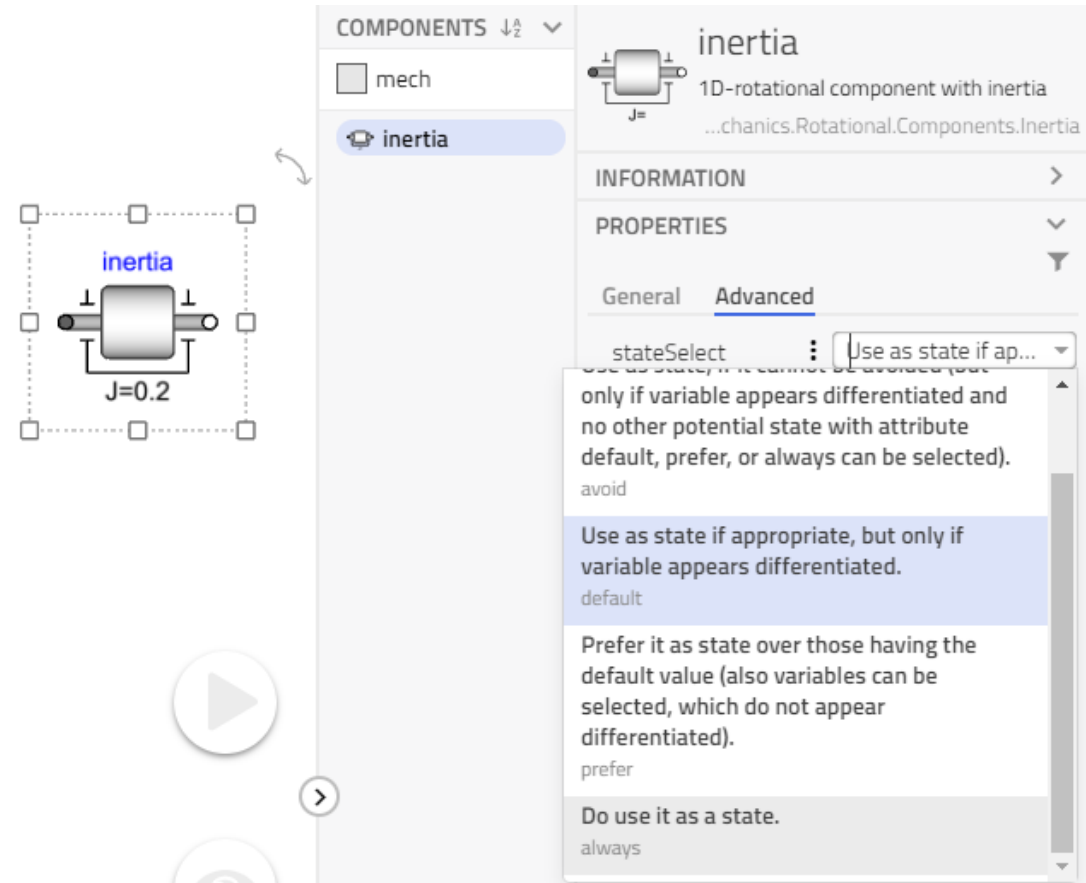
$$s_2 = s_1 + s_{12}$$

Simulation results comparing absolute and relative coordinates



STATE SELECTION

- Can be influenced via attribute of real variables:
Real p(stateSelect = StateSelect.
 - never
 - avoid
 - default
 - prefer
 - always);



STATE SELECTION - ADVICE

- Avoid state-selection in absolute variables
 - Relative states often numerically better than absolute ones
- In mechanics, rotational DOF is often a better state candidate than translational
- Avoid dynamic state selection
 - Use only to avoid otherwise unavoidable singularities
 - Dynamic state selection can not be combined with real-time solvers!



INITIALIZATION

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- A dynamic model describes how the states evolve with time
 - The states are the memory of the model; for example, in mechanical systems, positions and velocities
 - When starting a simulation, the states need to be initialized
- For an ordinary differential equation, ODE, in state space form:

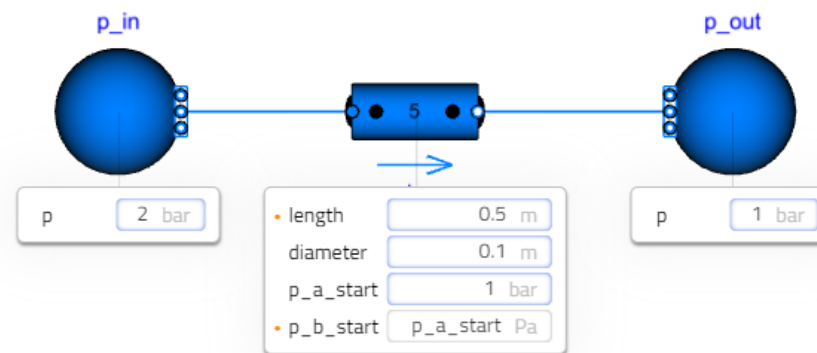
$$d\mathbf{x}/dt = f(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

- the state variables, \mathbf{x} , are free to be given initial values
- Initial values can be explicitly set for each state
- In many cases it is convenient to start at steady state
 - $d\mathbf{x}/dt = 0$ is specified as an initial condition
 - Impact automatically calculates the initial values of \mathbf{x} by solving:

$$0 = f(\mathbf{x}, t)$$

INITIALIZATION

- Most Modelica models have an option to either set an initial value or set an initial guess value.
 - Initial guess values are set when initializing in steady state.
 - Used as a starting point from where the solver tries to find a solution to $f(x, t) = 0$.
 - Choosing a reasonable guess value is important. Guess values too far away from the actual solution often cause the initialization to fail.
- Example: pipe with two defined pressures at the boundaries
 - Left side 2 bar, right side 1 bar



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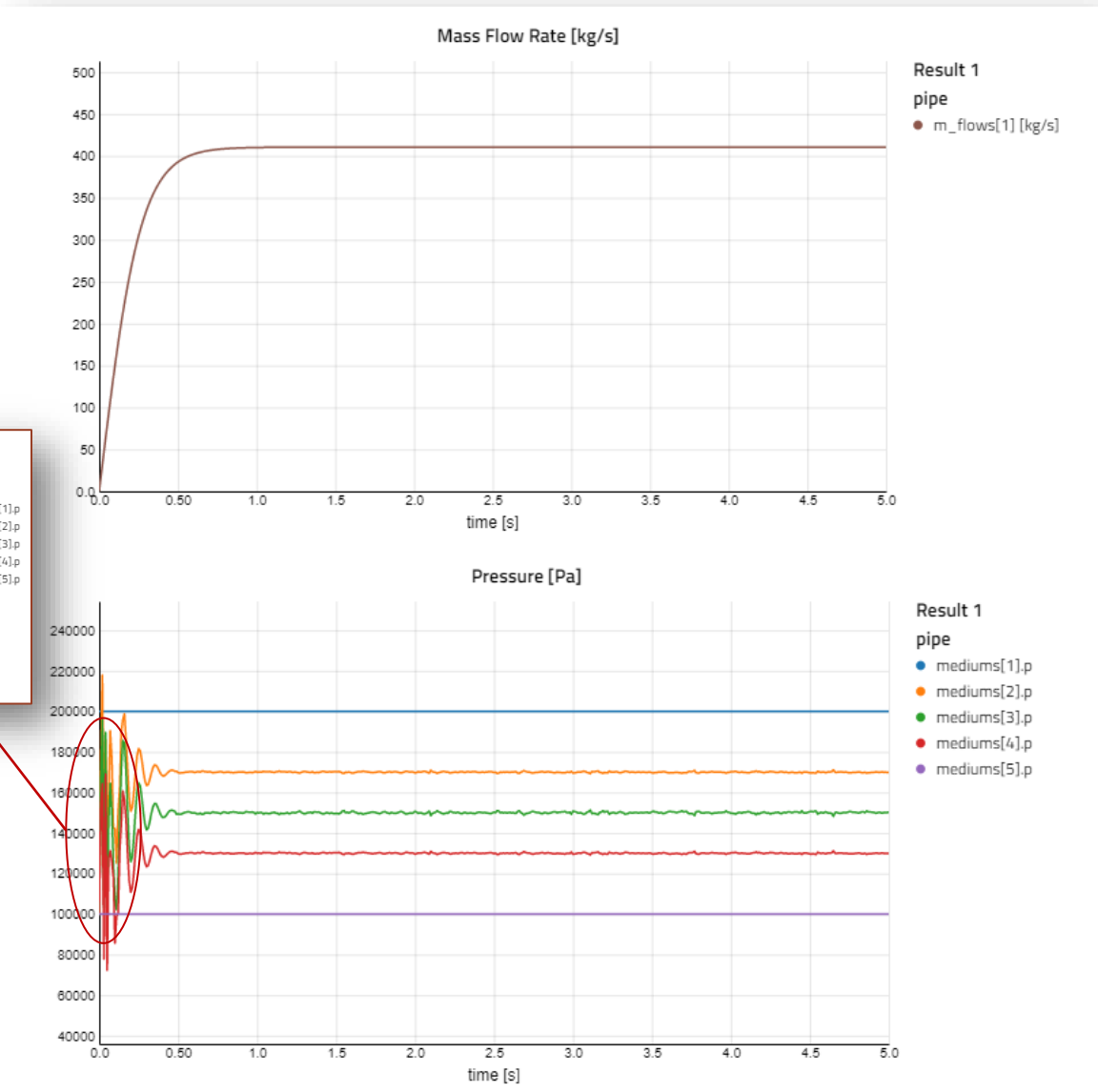
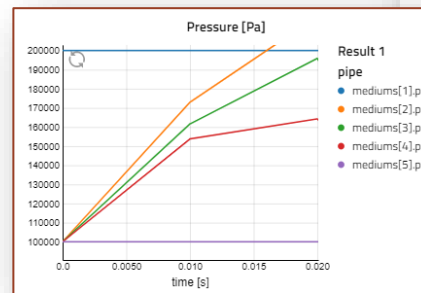
- Setting initial conditions:
 - The simulation starts with the set initial conditions.

The screenshot shows the 'Dynamics' dropdown menu with the following options:

- DynamicFreeInitial -- Dynamic balance, Initial guess value
- DynamicFreeInitial
- FixedInitial -- Dynamic balance, Initial value fixed**
- FixedInitial
- SteadyStateInitial -- Dynamic balance, Steady state initial with guess value
- SteadyStateInitial
- SteadyState -- Steady state balance, Initial guess value
- SteadyState

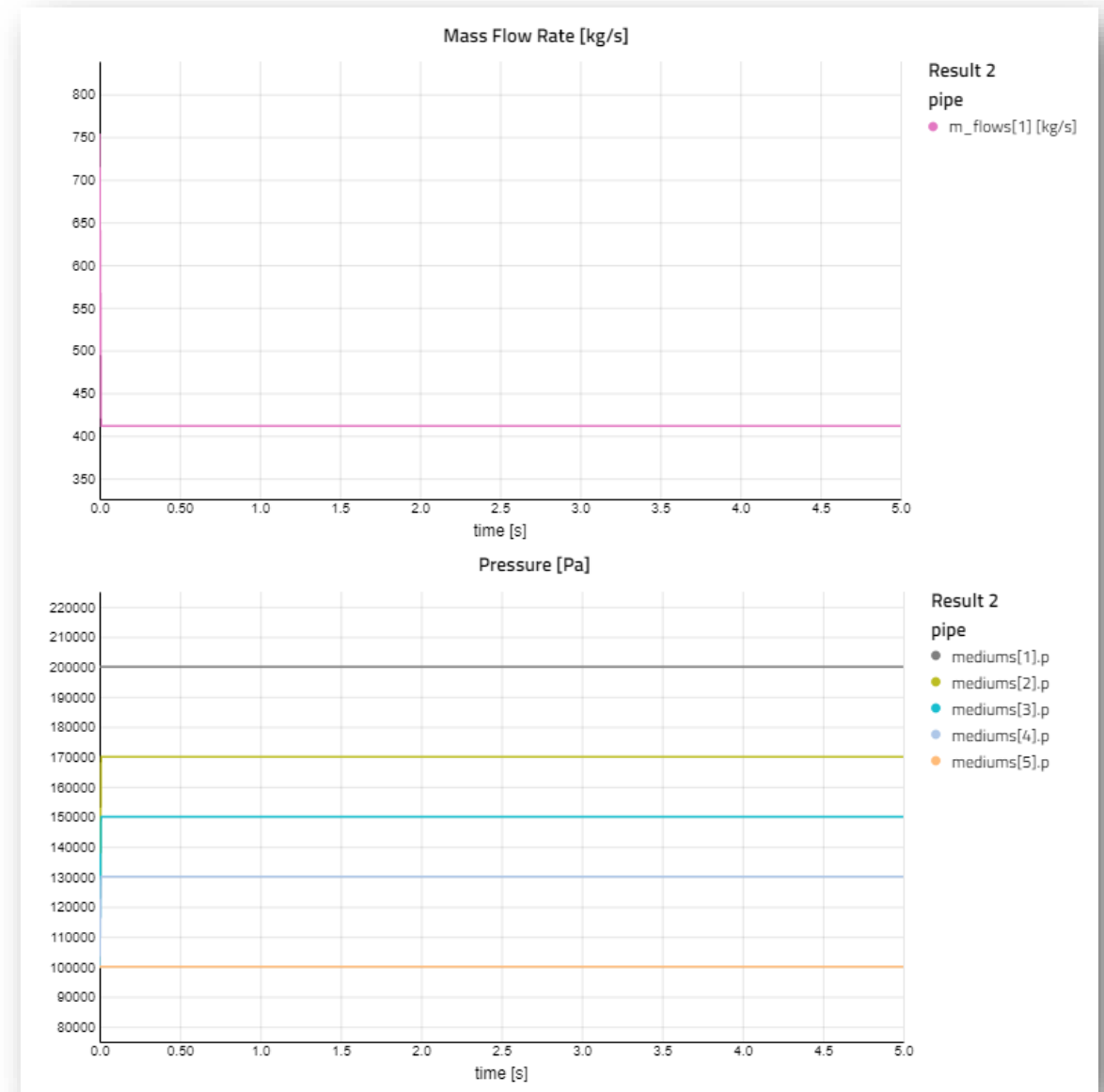
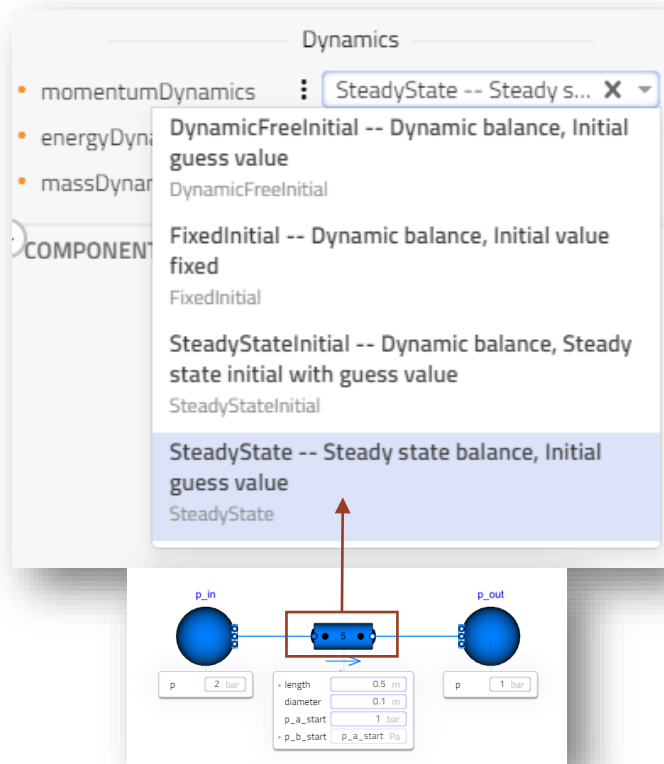
Below the menu is a diagram of a pipe component with input pressure p_{in} (2 bar) and output pressure p_{out} (1 bar). The parameters for the pipe are:

- length: 0.5 m
- diameter: 0.1 m
- p_{a_start} : 1 bar
- p_{b_start} : $p_{a_start} / 1.5$



INITIALIZATION

- Steady-state initialization
 - At $t=0$ all derivatives equal zero



WORKSHOP 2.2

In this workshop you will:

- Investigate a-causal modeling
- Defining boundary conditions
- Model inversion