An Initial Glimpse of AnyLogic & Emergence: Modifying an Existing Model

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Announcements

- Office hours
 - Extra this week (Wednesday & Friday 10-11am)
 - Next week: Wednesday 12-1pm
- Please alert me to any AnyLogic installation/licensing issues ASAP
- First Friday class this week (in E62-446)
- Dates to watch
 - March 2: Assignment 1
 - March 9: Term project topic proposal
- Seeking expressions of interest in tutorials (email best)

Recall: Agent-Based Models

• Characteristics

One or more populations composed of individual agents

- Each agent is associated with some of the following
 - State (continuous or discrete e.g. age, health, smoking status, networks, beliefs)
 - Parameters (e.g. Gender, genetic composition, preference fn.)
 - Rules for interaction (traditionally specified in general purpose programming language)
- Embedded in an environment (typically with localized perception)
- Communicate via messaging and/or flows
- Local & Global Environments
- Emergent aggregate behavior

Recall: Organization in ABM

- ABM adopts the organizational style of objectoriented software engineering by clustering together the elements of state & behavior for entities
- This facilitates convenient representation of
 - Nested relationships (individuals in neighborhoods in municipalities, etc.)
 - Networked relationships (e.g. network of individuals, towns, farms, firms, etc.)

Contrasting Organization in Aggregate Stock-Flow & ABM Agent-based modeling

Aggregate Stock & flow models •

- Within unit (e.g. city)
 - Subdivided according to state (eg # susceptible, # infective)
 - Each stock counts # units associated with that state
- State for different units of analysis are found in stocks & flows at same

- Within unit (e.g. city)
 - Subdivided according to constitutive smaller units (e.g. individual people)
 - Each unit maintains its own state
- The nested or networked relations among units of analysis mimic that in world



AnyLogic basics

- Multi-platform
- Declarative graphical languages
- Basic language: Java
- Rich library of built-in objects
- Continuous or discrete time/space
- Modeling approaches supported
 - System Dynamics
 - Agent-based
 - Regular & irregular spatial embedding, network embedding
 - Discrete event

Stock & Flow Models

- Feedback-focus
- Traditional graphical depicti
 - Stocks (state of system)
 - Flows (rates of change to the
 - Continuous variation in state



 Values of flows are determined by stocks & any other variables



Agent-Based Modeling

- Agent (actor) focused
- Traditional graphical depiction: State transition diagram
 - States
 - Transitions
 - Discrete variation in state
- Regular or irregular topologies connect between agents
 - Messages sent via connections



Network Embedded Individuals



Regular Spatial Embedding



Discrete Event Modeling

- Resource-based modeling
 - Queues
 - Processes
 - Flow charts
 - Capacitated resource pools
 - Send to
 - Attachment/detachment



"Network Modeling" Irregular Spatial Embedding



Hybrid Models

- Much of the power of AnyLogic lies in its ability to integrate multiple types of modeling in a single model
- Attractive schemes
 - Agent-based using system dynamics for continuous agent state (c.f. age)
 - System dynamics using agent-based to determine flows
 - Agent-based using system dynamics for global dynamics
 - Agents entering into process-based health services

Example Hybrid Model



Advantages of AnyLogic

(as compared to other Agent-Based Modeling Software)

- Primarily declarative specification
- Less code
- Great flexibility
- Access to Java libraries
- Support for multiple modeling types
- Support for mixture of modeling types

Painful Sides of AnyLogic Education/Advanced

- Export of model results: Very limited support for retrospection on model results
- Need for bits of Java code
- Many pieces of system
- Pricy debugger

Opening an AnyLogic Example Model







Load AnyLogic Example Model: SIR Agent Based.alp

Finding the Example Model

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Model Focus: Spatial Spread of an Infectious Disease

- This model simulates the spread of an infectious disease in a regular space
- The simulation starts with a single index infective case (towards lower right of space)
- Natural history of infection involves progression from Susceptible to Infected (& Infective) to Recovered
 - There is no waning of immunity in the original model
- If a given person is infective, the infection can spread from that person to their neighbours in the 4 cardinal directions ("North", "South", "East", "West") (i.e. Up, Down, Left, and Right)

Viewing the Model Structure

Double click on "Person" to see the associated state transition diagram. This diagram represents in a stylized fashion the progression of infection



Run the Model (Right Click the Experiment "Simulation" & select "Run")



Press this button to start model execution



Example of Emergent Behaviour

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Make Sure Model Time is Visible



Select "Model Time" here (so a check mark appears) (If a checkmark is already present, just click back on the



The Updated Window Should Include a Model Time Output



Stylized Measurement 1

 How Long Does it Take for The Infection to Reach the Top or Left Boundaries?

• We'll compare this to the situation with other assumptions regarding the progression of the infection (as encoded by model "parameters")

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Changing the Name of the Experiment



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Run the Model (Right Click the Experiment "SlowRecovery" & select "Run")



You Should See Something Like This



Adding a Transition



Adding a Transition



Selection

X=795, Y=207

Connecting the Two States



Give the Transition a Name (Make sure it is selected by clicking on it)



Setting the Duration Until Immunity Wanes



Run the original experiment ("Simulation") with the newly changed model by right clicking on "Simulation" & selecting



Simulation - Simulation Experiment

After Starting the Model, You Should See Something Like This. What Happens as Time Progresses?



What Happens as Time Progresses?



Use the Run Button & run the "SlowRecovery" Experiment



Level Description Classification Comparison and

Slow Recovery Results

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As Time Progresses, Little Internal Structure – Whv?



Stylized Measurement 2

- How Long Does it Take for The Infection to Reach the Top or Left Boundaries?
- How does this compare with the earlier experiment with a shorter duration of immunity?
- Bonus question: What would an aggregate (random mixing) model have predicted?

Observations

- A brief & informal glimpse of AnyLogic's user interface for building, modifying & running models
- Take-Home Points
 - Much of a model can be described graphically
 - Running a structurally simple model can lead to complex emergent patterns over time & space
 - Modifying the model quantitative assumptions (described by parameters) can significantly change results
 - Modifying the model structure can qualitatively change model behavior