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INTRODUCTION

Salabim is a package for discrete event simulation in Python. It follows the methodology of process description as originally demonstrated in *Simula* and later in *Prosim*, *Must* and *Tomas*. It is also quite similar to *SimPy* 2.

The package comprises discrete event simulation, queue handling, resources, statistical sampling and monitoring. On top of that real time animation is built in.

The package comes with a number of sample models.

1.1 Requirements

Salabim runs on

- CPython
- PyPy platform
- Pythonista (iOS)

The package runs under Python 2.7 or 3.x.

The following packages are required:

| Platform | Base functionality | Animation | Video (mp4, avi) | Animated GIF |
|------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|
| CPython | • | Pillow, tkinter | opencv, numpy | PIL |
| PyPy | • | Pillow, tkinter | N/A | PIL |
| Pythonista | • | Pillow | N/A | • |

Several CPython packages, like *WinPython* support Pillow out of the box. If not, install with: `pip install Pillow`

Under Linux, PIL can be installed with: `sudo apt-get purge python3-pil sudo apt-get install python3-pil python3-pil.imagetk`

For, video production, installation of opencv and numpy may be required with `pip install opencv-python pip install numpy`

Running models under PyPy is highly recommended for production runs, where run time is important. We have found 6 to 7 times faster execution compared to CPython. However, for development, nothing can beat CPython or Pythonista.

1.2 Installation

The preferred way to install salabim is from PyPI with: `pip install salabim`

or to upgrade to a new version: `pip install salabim --upgrade`

You can find the package along with some support files and sample models on www.github.com/salabim/salabim. From there you can directly download as a zip file and next extract all files. Alternatively the repository can be cloned.^[1]

For Pythonista, the easiest way to download salabim is:

- Tap ‘Open in. . .’.
- Tap ‘Run Pythonista Script’.
- Pick this script and tap the run button
- Import file
- Possibly after short delay, there will be a salabim-master.zip file in the root directory
- Tap this zip file and Extract files
- All files are now in a directory called salabim-master

- Optionally rename this directory to salabim

Salabim itself is provided as one Python script, called `salabim.py`. You may place that file in any directory where your models reside.

If you want salabim to be available from other directories, without copying the `salabim.py` script, run the supplied `install.py` file. In doing so, you will create (or update) a `salabim` directory in the site-package directory, which will contain a copy of the salabim package.

1.3 Python

Python is a widely used high-level programming language for general-purpose programming, created by Guido van Rossum and first released in 1991. An interpreted language, Python has a design philosophy that emphasizes code readability (notably using whitespace indentation to delimit code blocks rather than curly brackets or keywords), and a syntax that allows programmers to express concepts in fewer lines of code than might be used in languages such as C++ or Java. The language provides constructs intended to enable writing clear programs on both a small and large scale.

A good way to start learning about Python is <https://www.python.org/about/gettingstarted/>

2.1 A simple model

Let's start with a very simple model, to demonstrate the basic structure, process interaction, component definition and output:

```
1 # Example - basic.py
2 import salabim as sim
3
4 class Car(sim.Component):
5     def process(self):
6         while True:
7             yield self.hold(1)
8
9 env = sim.Environment(trace=True)
10 Car()
11 env.run(till=5)
```

In basic steps:

We always start by importing salabim

```
import salabim as sim
```

Now we can refer to all salabim classes and function with `sim..` For convenience, some functions or classes can be imported with, for instance

```
from salabim import now, main, Component
```

It is also possible to import all methods, classes and globals by

```
from salabim import *
```

, but we do not recommend that method.

The main body of every salabim model usually starts with

```
env = sim.Environment(parameters)
```

For each (active) component we define a class as in

```
class Car(sim.Component):
```

The class inherits from `sim.Component`.

Although it is possible to define other processes within a class, the standard way is to define a generator function called `process` in the class. A generator is a function with at least one `yield` statement. These are used in salabim context as a signal to give control to the sequence mechanism.

In this example,

```
yield self.hold(1)
```

gives control to the sequence mechanism and *comes back* after 1 time unit. The `self.` part means that it is this component to be held for some time. We will see later other uses of `yield` like `passivate`, `request`, `wait` and `standby`.

In the main body an instance of a car is created by `Car()`. It automatically gets the name `car.0`. As there is a generator function called `process` in `Car`, this process description will be activated (by default at time now, which is 0 here). It is possible to start a process later, but this is by far the most common way to start a process.

With

```
env.run(till=5)
```

we start the simulation and get back control after 5 time units. A component called *main* is defined under the hood to get access to the main process.

When we run this program, we get the following output

| line# | time | current component | action | information |
|-------|-------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | | | line numbers refers to | Example - basic.py |
| 11 | | | default environment initialize | |
| | | | main create | |

| | | | | | | | |
|-----|-------|-------|----------------|---------------|---------|-----|-----------------|
| 11 | 0.000 | main | current | | | | |
| 12 | | | car.0 create | | | | |
| 12 | | | car.0 activate | scheduled for | 0.000 @ | 6 | process=process |
| 13 | | | main run | scheduled for | 5.000 @ | 13+ | |
| 6 | 0.000 | car.0 | current | | | | |
| 8 | | | car.0 hold | scheduled for | 1.000 @ | 8+ | |
| 8+ | 1.000 | car.0 | current | | | | |
| 8 | | | car.0 hold | scheduled for | 2.000 @ | 8+ | |
| 8+ | 2.000 | car.0 | current | | | | |
| 8 | | | car.0 hold | scheduled for | 3.000 @ | 8+ | |
| 8+ | 3.000 | car.0 | current | | | | |
| 8 | | | car.0 hold | scheduled for | 4.000 @ | 8+ | |
| 8+ | 4.000 | car.0 | current | | | | |
| 8 | | | car.0 hold | scheduled for | 5.000 @ | 8+ | |
| 13+ | 5.000 | main | current | | | | |

2.2 A bank example

Now let's move to a more realistic model. Here customers are arriving in a bank, where there is one clerk. This clerk handles the customers in first in first out (FIFO) order. We see the following processes:

- The customer generator that creates the customers, with an inter arrival time of uniform(5,15)
- The customers
- The clerk, which serves the customers in a constant time of 30 (overloaded and non steady state system)

And we need a queue for the customers to wait for service.

The model code is:

```

1 # Example - bank, 1 clerk.py
2 import salabim as sim
3
4
5 class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
6     def process(self):
7         while True:
8             Customer()
```

```
9         yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())
10
11
12 class Customer(sim.Component):
13     def process(self):
14         self.enter(waitingline)
15         if clerk.ispassive():
16             clerk.activate()
17         yield self.passivate()
18
19
20 class Clerk(sim.Component):
21     def process(self):
22         while True:
23             while len(waitingline) == 0:
24                 yield self.passivate()
25             self.customer = waitingline.pop()
26             yield self.hold(30)
27             self.customer.activate()
28
29
30 env = sim.Environment(trace=True)
31
32 CustomerGenerator(name='') # using name='' prevents the name customergenerator to be serialized
33 clerk = Clerk()
34 waitingline = sim.Queue('waitingline')
35
36 env.run(till=50)
37 print()
38 waitingline.print_statistics()
```

Let's look at some details

```
yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())
```

will do the statistical sampling and wait for that time till the next customer is created.

With

```
self.enter(waitingline)
```

the customer places itself at the tail of the waiting line.

Then, the customer checks whether the clerk is idle, and if so, activates him immediately.

```
while clerk.ispassive():
    clerk.activate()
```

Once the clerk is active (again), it gets the first customer out of the waitingline with

```
self.customer = waitingline.pop()
```

and holds for 30 time units with

```
yield self.hold(30)
```

After that hold the customer is activated and will terminate

```
self.customer.activate()
```

In the main section of the program, we create the CustomerGenerator, the Clerk and a queue called waitingline. After the simulation is finished, the statistics of the queue are presented with

```
waitingline.print_statistics()
```

The output looks like

| line# | time | current | component | action | information |
|-------|-------|---------|-----------|--------------------------------|--|
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | | | | line numbers refers to | Example - bank, 1 clerk.py |
| 30 | | | | default environment initialize | |
| 30 | 0.000 | main | | main create | |
| 32 | | | | current | |
| 32 | | | | customergenerator create | |
| 33 | | | | customergenerator activate | scheduled for 0.000 @ 6 process=process |
| 33 | | | | clerk.0 create | |
| 33 | | | | clerk.0 activate | scheduled for 0.000 @ 21 process=process |
| 34 | | | | waitingline create | |
| 36 | | | | main run | scheduled for 50.000 @ 36+ |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|--------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------|-----|-----------------|--|--|
| 6 | 0.000 | customergenerator | current | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.0 create | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.0 activate | scheduled for | 0.000 @ | 13 | process=process | | |
| 9 | | | customergenerator hold | scheduled for | 14.631 @ | 9+ | | | |
| 21 | 0.000 | clerk.0 | current | | | | | | |
| 24 | | | clerk.0 passivate | | | | | | |
| 13 | 0.000 | customer.0 | current | | | | | | |
| 14 | | | customer.0 | enter waitingline | | | | | |
| 16 | | | clerk.0 activate | scheduled for | 0.000 @ | 24+ | | | |
| 17 | | | customer.0 passivate | | | | | | |
| 24+ | 0.000 | clerk.0 | current | | | | | | |
| 25 | | | customer.0 | leave waitingline | | | | | |
| 26 | | | clerk.0 hold | scheduled for | 30.000 @ | 26+ | | | |
| 9+ | 14.631 | customergenerator | current | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.1 create | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.1 activate | scheduled for | 14.631 @ | 13 | process=process | | |
| 9 | | | customergenerator hold | scheduled for | 21.989 @ | 9+ | | | |
| 13 | 14.631 | customer.1 | current | | | | | | |
| 14 | | | customer.1 | enter waitingline | | | | | |
| 17 | | | customer.1 passivate | | | | | | |
| 9+ | 21.989 | customergenerator | current | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.2 create | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.2 activate | scheduled for | 21.989 @ | 13 | process=process | | |
| 9 | | | customergenerator hold | scheduled for | 32.804 @ | 9+ | | | |
| 13 | 21.989 | customer.2 | current | | | | | | |
| 14 | | | customer.2 | enter waitingline | | | | | |
| 17 | | | customer.2 passivate | | | | | | |
| 26+ | 30.000 | clerk.0 | current | | | | | | |
| 27 | | | customer.0 activate | scheduled for | 30.000 @ | 17+ | | | |
| 25 | | | customer.1 | leave waitingline | | | | | |
| 26 | | | clerk.0 hold | scheduled for | 60.000 @ | 26+ | | | |
| 17+ | 30.000 | customer.0 | current | | | | | | |
| | | | customer.0 ended | | | | | | |
| 9+ | 32.804 | customergenerator | current | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.3 create | | | | | | |
| 8 | | | customer.3 activate | scheduled for | 32.804 @ | 13 | process=process | | |
| 9 | | | customergenerator hold | scheduled for | 40.071 @ | 9+ | | | |
| 13 | 32.804 | customer.3 | current | | | | | | |
| 14 | | | customer.3 | enter waitingline | | | | | |
| 17 | | | customer.3 passivate | | | | | | |


```

9+      40.071 customergenerator      current
8                                     customer.4 create
8                                     customer.4 activate
9                                     customergenerator hold      scheduled for      40.071 @      13 process=process
13      40.071 customer.4             scheduled for      54.737 @      9+
14                                     current
14                                     customer.4             enter waitingline
17      50.000 main                    customer.4 passivate
36+                                     current

Statistics of waitingline at          50

-----
Length of waitingline                 duration      50      35.369      14.631
                                     mean          1.410      1.993
                                     std.deviation 1.107      0.754

                                     minimum         0         1
                                     median          2         2
                                     90% percentile  3         3
                                     95% percentile  3         3
                                     maximum         3         3

Length of stay in waitingline         entries        2         1         1
                                     mean          7.684     15.369
                                     std.deviation 7.684      0

                                     minimum         0         15.369
                                     median        15.369     15.369
                                     90% percentile 15.369     15.369
                                     95% percentile 15.369     15.369
                                     maximum        15.369     15.369

```

Now, let's add more clerks. Here we have chosen to put the three clerks in a list

```
clerks = [Clerk() for _ in range(3)]
```

although in this case we could have also put them in a salabim queue, like

```
clerks = sim.Queue('clerks')
for _ in range(3):
```

```
Clerk().enter(clerks)
```

And, to restart a clerk

```
for clerk in clerks:
    if clerk.ispassive():
        clerk.activate()
        break # reactivate only one clerk
```

The complete source of a three clerk post office:

```
# Example - bank, 3 clerks.py
import salabim as sim

class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            Customer()
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())

class Customer(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        self.enter(waitingline)
        for clerk in clerks:
            if clerk.ispassive():
                clerk.activate()
                break # activate only one clerk
        yield self.passivate()

class Clerk(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            while len(waitingline) == 0:
                yield self.passivate()
            self.customer = waitingline.pop()
            yield self.hold(30)
            self.customer.activate()
```

```
env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
CustomerGenerator(name='')
clerks = [Clerk() for _ in range(3)]

waitingline = sim.Queue('waitingline')

env.run(till=50000)
waitingline.print_histograms()

waitingline.print_info()
```

2.3 A bank office example with resources

The salabim package contains another useful concept for modelling: resources. Resources have a limited capacity and can be claimed by components and released later.

In the model of the bank with the same functionality as the above example, the clerks are defined as a resource with capacity 3.

The model code is:

```
# Example - bank, 3 clerks (resources).py
import salabim as sim

class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            Customer()
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())

class Customer(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        yield self.request(clerks)
        yield self.hold(30)
        self.release()
```

```
env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
CustomerGenerator(name='customergenerator')
clerks = sim.Resource('clerks', capacity=3)

env.run(till=50000)

clerks.print_histograms()
clerks.print_info()
```

Let's look at some details.

```
clerks = sim.Resource('clerks', capacity=3)
```

This defines a resource with a capacity of 3.

And then, a customer, just tries to claim one unit (=clerk) from the resource with

```
yield self.request(clerks)
```

Here, we use the default of 1 unit. If the resource is not available, the customer just waits for it to become available (in order of arrival).

In contrast with the previous example, the customer now holds itself for 10 time units.

And after these 10 time units, the customer releases the resource with

```
self.release()
```

The effect is that salabim then tries to honor the next pending request, if any.

The statistics are maintained in a system queue, called `clerk.requesters()`.

The output is very similar to the earlier example. The statistics are exactly the same.

2.4 The bank office example with balking and reneging

Now, we assume that clients are not going to the queue when there are more than 5 clients waiting (balking). On top of that, if a client is waiting longer than 50, he/she will leave as well (reneging).

The model code is:

```

# Example - bank, 3 clerks, reneging.py
import salabim as sim

class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            Customer()
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())

class Customer(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        if len(waitingline) >= 5:
            env.number_balked += 1
            env.print_trace(' ', ' ', 'balked')
            yield self.cancel()
        self.enter(waitingline)
        for clerk in clerks:
            if clerk.ispassive():
                clerk.activate()
                break # activate only one clerk
        yield self.hold(50) # if not serviced within this time, renege
        if self in waitingline:
            self.leave(waitingline)
            env.number_reneged += 1
            env.print_trace(' ', ' ', 'reneged')
        else:
            yield self.passivate() # wait for service to be completed

class Clerk(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            while len(waitingline) == 0:
                yield self.passivate()
            self.customer = waitingline.pop()
            self.customer.activate() # get the customer out of it's hold(50)
            yield self.hold(30)
            self.customer.activate() # signal the customer that's all's done

```

```
env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
CustomerGenerator(name='customergenerator')
env.number_balked = 0
env.number_reneged = 0
clerks = [Clerk() for _ in range(3)]

waitingline = sim.Queue('waitingline')
waitingline.length.monitor(False)
env.run(duration=1500) # first do a prerun of 1500 time units without collecting data
waitingline.length.monitor(True)
env.run(duration=1500) # now do the actual data collection for 1500 time units
waitingline.length.print_histogram(30, 0, 1)
print()
waitingline.length_of_stay.print_histogram(30, 0, 10)
print('number reneged', env.number_reneged)
print('number balked', env.number_balked)
```

Let's look at some details.

```
yield self.cancel()
```

This makes the current component (a customer) a data component (and be subject to garbage collection), if the queue length is 5 or more.

The reneging is implemented by a hold of 50. If a clerk can service a customer, it will take the customer out of the waitingline and will activate it at that moment. The customer just has to check whether he/she is still in the waiting line. If so, he/she has been serviced in time and thus will renege.

```
yield self.hold(50)
if self in waitingline:
    self.leave(waitingline)
    env.number_reneged += 1
else:
    self.passivate()
```

All the clerk has to do when starting servicing a client is to get the next customer in line out of the queue (as before) and activate this customer (at time now). The effect is that the hold of the customer will end.

```
self.customer = waitingline.pop()
self.customer.activate()
```

2.5 The bank office example with balking and reneging (resources)

Now we show how the balking and reneging is implemented with resources.

The model code is:

```
# Example - bank, 3 clerks, reneging (resources).py
import salabim as sim

class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            Customer()
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())

class Customer(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        if len(clerks.requesters()) >= 5:
            env.number_balked += 1
            env.print_trace(' ', ' ', 'balked')
            yield self.cancel()
        yield self.request(clerks, fail_delay=50)
        if self.failed():
            env.number_reneged += 1
            env.print_trace(' ', ' ', 'reneged')
        else:
            yield self.hold(30)
            self.release()

env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
CustomerGenerator(name='customergenerator')
env.number_balked = 0
```

```
env.number_reneged = 0
clerks = sim.Resource('clerk', 3)

env.run(till=50000)

clerks.requesters().length.print_histogram(30, 0, 1)
print()
clerks.requesters().length_of_stay.print_histogram(30, 0, 10)
print('number reneged', env.number_reneged)
print('number balked', env.number_balked)
```

As you can see, the balking part is exactly the same as in the example without resources.

For the reneging, all we have to do is add a fail_delay

```
yield self.request(clerks, fail_delay=50)
```

If the request is not honored within 50 time units, the process continues after that request statement. And then, we just check whether the request has failed

```
if self.failed():
    env.number_reneged += 1
```

This example shows clearly the advantage of the resource solution over the passivate/activate method, in this example.

2.6 The bank office example with states

The salabim package contains yet another useful concept for modelling: states. In this case, we define a state called worktodo.

The model code is:

```
# Example - bank, 3 clerks (state).py
import salabim as sim

class CustomerGenerator(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            Customer()
```



```

        yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(5, 15).sample())

class Customer(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        self.enter(waitingline)
        worktodo.trigger(max=1)
        yield self.passivate()

class Clerk(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        while True:
            if len(waitingline) == 0:
                yield self.wait(worktodo)
            self.customer = waitingline.pop()
            yield self.hold(30)
            self.customer.activate()

env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
CustomerGenerator(name='customergenerator')
for i in range(3):
    Clerk()
waitingline = sim.Queue('waitingline')
worktodo = sim.State('worktodo')

env.run(till=50000)
waitingline.print_histograms()
worktodo.print_histograms()

```

Let's look at some details.

```
worktodo = sim.State('worktodo')
```

This defines a state with an initial value False.

In the code of the customer, the customer tries to trigger one clerk with

```
worktodo.trigger(max=1)
```

The effect is that if there are clerks waiting for worktodo, the first clerk's wait is honored and that clerk continues its process after

```
yield self.wait(worktodo)
```

Note that the clerk is only going to wait for worktodo after completion of a job if there are no customers waiting.

2.7 The bank office example with standby

The salabim package contains a powerful process mechanism, called standby. When a component is in standby mode, it will become current after each event. Normally, the standby will be used in a while loop where at every event a condition is checked.

The model with standby is

```
.. literalinclude:: ../../\Example - bank, 3 clerks (standby.py)
```

In this case, the condition is checked frequently with

```
while len(waitingline) == 0:
    yield self.standby()
```

The rest of the code is very similar to the version with states.

Warning: It is very important to realize that this mechanism can have significant impact on the performance, as after EACH event, the component becomes current and has to be checked. In general it is recommended to try and use states or a more straightforward passivate/activate construction.

COMPONENT

Components are the key elements of salabim simulations.

Components can be either data or active. An active component has one or more process descriptions and is activated at some point of time. You can make a data component active with `activate`. And an active component can become data either with a `cancel` or by reaching the end of its process method.

It is easy to create a data component by:

```
box = sim.Component()
```

Data components may be placed in a queue. You can't activate this component as such as there is no associated process method.

In order to make an active component it is necessary to first define a class:

```
class Ship(sim.Component):
```

And then there has to be at least one generator method, normally called `process`:

```
class Ship(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        ....
        yield ...
        ....
```

The process has to have at least one `yield` statement!

Creation and activation can be combined by making a new instance of the class:

```
ship1 = Ship()
ship2 = Ship()
ship3 = Ship()
```

This causes three Ships to be created and to start them at `Sim.process()`. The ships will automatically get the name `ship.0`, etc., unless a name is given explicitly.

If no process method is found for Ship, the ship will be a data component. In that case, it becomes active by means of an activate statement:

```
class Crane(sim.Component):
    def unload(self):
        ....
        yield ...
        ....

crane1 = Crane()
crane1.activate(process='unload')

crane2 = Crane(process='unload')
```

Effectively, creation and start of `crane1` and `crane2` is the same.

Although not very common, it is possible to activate a component at a certain time or with a specified delay:

```
ship1.activate(at=100)
ship2.activate(delay(50))
```

At time of creation it is sometimes useful to be able to set attributes, prepare for actions, etc. This is possible in salabim by defining an `__init__` and/or a setup method:

If the `__init__` method is used, it is required to call the Component `__init__` method from within the overridden method:

```
class Ship(sim.Component):
    def __init__(self, length, *args, **kwargs):
        sim.Component.__init__(self, *args, **kwargs)
        self.length = length

ship = Ship(length=250)
```

This sets `ship.length` to 250.

In most cases, the setup method is preferred, however. This method is called after ALL initialization code of Component is executed.

```
class Ship(sim.Component):
    def setup(self, length):
        self.length = length

ship = Ship(length=250)
```

Now, `ship.length` will be 250.

Note that `setup` gets all arguments and keyword arguments, that are not ‘consumed’ by `__init__`.

Only in very specific cases, `__init__` will be necessary.

Note that the `setup` code can be used for data components as well.

3.1 Process interaction

A component may be in one of the following states:

- data
- current
- scheduled
- passive
- requesting
- waiting
- standby

The scheme below shows how components can go from state to state.

| from/to | data | current | scheduled | passive | requesting | waiting | standby | interrupted |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| data | | activate[1] | activate | | | | | |
| current | process end | | yield hold | yield passivate | yield request | yield wait | yield standby | |
| . | yield cancel | | yield activate | | | | | |
| scheduled | cancel | next event | hold | passivate | request | wait | standby | interrupt |
| . | | | activate | | | | | |
| passive | cancel | activate[1] | activate | | request | wait | standby | interrupt |
| . | | | hold[2] | | | | | |
| requesting | cancel | claim honor | activate[3] | passivate | request | wait | standby | interrupt |
| . | | time out | | | activate[4] | | | |
| waiting | cancel | wait honor | activate[5] | passivate | wait | wait | standby | interrupt |
| . | | timeout | | | | activate[6] | | |
| standby | cancel | next event | activate | passivate | request | wait | | interrupt |
| interrupted | cancel | | resume[7] | resume[7] | resume[7] | resume[7] | resume[7] | interrupt[8] |
| . | | | activate | passivate | request | wait | standby | |

[1] via scheduled [2] not recommended [3] with keep_request=False (default) [4] with keep_request=True. This allows to set a new time out [5] with keep_wait=False (default) [6] with keep_wait=True. This allows to set a new time out [7] state at time of interrupt [8] increases the interrupt_level

3.1.1 Creation of a component

Although it is possible to create a component directly with `x=sim.Component()`, this makes it virtually impossible to make that component into an active component, because there's no process method. So, nearly always we define a class based on `sim.Component`

```
def Car(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        ...
```

If we then say `car=Car()`, a component is created and it activated from process. This process has to be a generator function, so needs to contain at least one yield statement.

The result is that car is put on the future event list (for time now) and when it's its turn, the component becomes current.

It is also possible to set a time at which the component (car) becomes active, like `car=Car(at=10)`.

And instead of starting at process, the component may be initialized to start at another generation function, like `car=Car(process='wash')`.

And, finally, if there is a process method, you can disable the automatic activation (i.e. make it a data component) , by specifying `process=None`.

If there is no process method, and process= is not given, the component becomes a data component.

3.1.2 activate

Activate is the way to turn a data component into a live component. If you do not specify a process, the generator function process is assumed. So you can say

```
car0 = Car(process=None) # data component
car0.activate() # activate @ process if exists, otherwise error
car1 = Car(process=None) # data component
car1.activate(process='wash') # activate @ wash
```

- If the component to be activated is current, always use yield self.activate. The effect is that the component becomes scheduled, thus this is essentially equivalent to the preferred hold method.
- If the component to be activated is passive, the component will be activated at the specified time.
- If the component to be activated is scheduled, the component will get a new scheduled time.
- If the component to be activated is requesting, the request will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become scheduled. If keep_request=True is specified, only the fail_at will be updated and the component will stay requesting.
- If the component to be activated is waiting, the wait will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become scheduled. If keep_wait=True is specified, only the fail_at will be updated and the component will stay waiting.
- If the component to be activated is standby, the component will get a new scheduled time and become scheduled.

3.1.3 hold

Hold is the way to make a, usually current, component scheduled.

- If the component to be held is current, the component becomes scheduled for the specified time. Always use yield self.hold() is this case.
- If the component to be held is passive, the component becomes scheduled for the specified time.
- If the component to be held is scheduled, the component will be rescheduled for the specified time, thus essentially the same as activate.
- If the component to be held is standby, the component becomes scheduled for the specified time.
- If the component to be activated is requesting, the request will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become scheduled. It is recommended to use the more versatile activate method.

- If the component to be activated is waiting, the wait will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become scheduled. It is recommended to use the more versatile activate method.

3.1.4 passivate

Passivate is the way to make a, usually current, component passive. This is actually the same as scheduling for `time=inf`.

- If the component to be passivated is current, the component becomes passive. Always use `yield self.passivate()` in this case.
- If the component to be passivated is passive, the component remains passive.
- If the component to be passivated is scheduled, the component will be passivated.
- If the component to be held is standby, the component will be passivated.
- If the component to be activated is requesting, the request will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become pass. It is recommended to use the more versatile activate method.
- If the component to be activated is waiting, the wait will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become scheduled. It is recommended to use the more versatile activate method.

3.1.5 cancel

Cancel has the effect that the component becomes a data component.

- If the component to be cancelled is current, use always `yield self.cancel()`.
- If the component to be cancelled is passive, scheduled or standby, the component will become a data component.
- If the component to be cancelled is requesting, the request will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become a data component.
- If the component to be cancelled is waiting, the wait will be terminated, the attribute failed set and the component will become a data component.

3.1.6 standby

Standby has the effect that the component will be triggered on the next simulation event.

- If the component is current, use always `yield self.standby()`
- Although theoretically possible it is not recommended to use standby for non current components.

3.1.7 request

Request has the effect that the component will check whether the requested quantity from a resource is available. It is possible to check for multiple availability of a certain quantity from several resources. By default, there is no limit on the time to wait for the resource(s) to become available. But, it is possible to set a time at which the condition has to be met. If that failed, the component becomes current at the given point of time. The code should then check whether the request had failed. That can be checked with the `Component.failed()` method.

If the component is canceled, activated, passivated or held the failed flag will be set as well.

3.1.8 wait

Wait has the effect that the component will check whether the value of a state meets a given condition.

INTERRUPT

With interrupt components that are not current or data can be temporarily be interrupted. Once a resume is called for the component, the component will continue (for scheduled with the remaining time, for waiting or requesting possibly with the remaining fail_at duration).

4.1 Usage of process interaction methods within a function or method

There is a way to put process interaction statement in another function or method. This requires a little bit different way than just calling the method.

As an example, let's assume that we want a method that holds a component for a number of minutes and that the time unit is actually seconds. So we need a method to wait 60 times the given parameter

So we start with a not so nice solution:

```
class X(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        yield self.hold(60 * 2)
        yield self.hold(60 * 5)
```

Now we just add a method hold_minutes:

```
def hold_minutes(self, minutes):
    yield self.hold(60 * minutes)
```

Direct calling hold_minutes is not possible. Instead we have to say:

```
class X(sim.Component):
    def hold_minutes(self, minutes):
        yield self.hold(60 * minutes)

    def process(self):
        yield from self.hold_minutes(2)
        yield from self.hold_minutes(5)
```

All process interaction statements including `passivate`, `request` and `wait` can be used that way!

So remember if the method contains a `yield` statement (technically speaking that's a generator function), it should be called with `yield from`.

QUEUE

Salabim has a class Queue for queue handling of components. The advantage over the standard list and deque are:

- double linked, resulting in easy and efficient insertion at any place
- data collection and statistics
- priority sorting

Salabim uses queues internally for resource and states as well.

Definition of a queue is simple:

```
waitingline=sim.Queue('waitingline')
```

The name of a queue can be retrieved with `q.name()`.

There is a set of methods for components to enter and leave a queue and retrieval:

| Component | Queue | Description |
|-------------------------|---|---|
| c.enter(q) | q.add(c) or q.append(c) | c enters q at the tail |
| c.enter_to_head(q) | q.add_at_head(c) | c enters q at the head |
| c.enter_in_front_of(c1) | q.add_in_front_of(c, c1) | c enters q in front of c1 |
| c.enter_behind(c1) | q.add_behind(c, c1) | c enters q behind c1 |
| c.enter_sorted(p) | q.add_sorted(c, p) | c enters q according to priority p |
| c.leave(q) | q.remove(c) q.insert(c,i) q.pop() q.pop(i) q.head() or q[0] q.tail() or q[-1] q.index(c) q.component_with_name(n) | c leaves q insert c just before the i-th component in q removes head of q and returns it removes i-th component in q and returns it returns head of q returns tail of q returns the position of c in q returns the component with name n in q |
| c.successor(q) | q.successor(c) | successor of c in q |
| c.predecessor(q) | q.predecessor(c) | predecessor of c in q |
| c.count(q) | q.count(c) | returns 1 if c in q, 0 otherwise |
| c.queuees() | | returns a set with all queues where c is in |
| c.count() | returns number of queues c is in | |

Queue is a standard ABC class, which means that the following methods are supported:

- `len(q)` to retrieve the length of a queue, alternatively via the timestamped monitor with `q.length()`
- `c in q` to check whether a component is in a queue
- `for c in q:` to traverse a queue (Note that it is even possible to remove and add components in the for body).
- `reversed(q)` for the components in the queue in reverse order
- slicing is supported, so it is possible to get the 2nd, 3rd and 4th component in a queue with `q[1:4]` or `q[: -1]` for all elements in reverse order.
- `del q[i]` removes the i'th component. Also slicing is supported, so e.g. to delete the last three elements from queue, `del q[-1:-4:-1]`
- `q.append(c)` is equivalent to `q.add(c)`

It is possible to do a number of operations that work on the queues:

- `q.intersection(q1)` or `q & q1` returns a new queue with components that are both in q and q1
- `q.difference(q1)` or `q - q1` returns a new queue with components that are in q1 but not in q2
- `q.union(q1)` or `q | q1` returns a new queue with components that are in q or q1

- `q.symmetric_difference(q)` or `q ^ q1` returns a queue with components that are in `q` or `q1`, but not both
- `q.clear()` empties a queue
- `q.copy()` copies all components in `q` to a new queue. The queue `q` is untouched.
- `q.move()` copies all components in `q` to a new queue. The queue `q` is emptied.
- `q.extend(q1)` extends the `q` with elements in `q1`, that are not yet in `q`

Salabim keeps track of the enter time in a queue: `c.enter_time(q)`

Unless disabled explicitly, the length of the queue and length of stay of components are monitored in `q.length` and `q.length_of_stay`. It is possible to obtain a number of statistics on these monitors (cf. `Monitor`).

With `q.print_statistics()` the key statistics of these two monitors are printed.

E.g.:

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------|-----------|----------|
| ----- | | | | |
| Length of waitingline | duration | 50000 | 48499.381 | 1500.619 |
| | mean | 8.427 | 8.687 | |
| | std.deviation | 4.852 | 4.691 | |
| | minimum | 0 | 1 | |
| | median | 9 | 10 | |
| | 90% percentile | 14 | 14 | |
| | 95% percentile | 16 | 16 | |
| | maximum | 21 | 21 | |
| Length of stay in waitingline | entries | 4995 | 4933 | 62 |
| | mean | 84.345 | 85.405 | |
| | std.deviation | 48.309 | 47.672 | |
| | minimum | 0 | 0.006 | |
| | median | 94.843 | 95.411 | |
| | 90% percentile | 142.751 | 142.975 | |
| | 95% percentile | 157.467 | 157.611 | |
| | maximum | 202.153 | 202.153 | |

With `q.print_info()` a summary of the contents of a queue can be printed.

E.g.

```
Queue 0x20e116153c8
  name=waitingline
  component(s) :
    customer.4995      enter_time 49978.472 priority=0
    customer.4996      enter_time 49991.298 priority=0
```


RESOURCE

Resources are a powerful way of process interaction.

A resource has always a capacity (which can be zero). This capacity will be specified at time of creation, but may change over time. There are two of types resources:

- standard resources, where each claim is associated with a component (the claimer). It is not necessary that the claimed quantities are integer.
- anonymous resources, where only the claimed quantity is registered. This is most useful for dealing with levels, lengths, etc.

Resources are defined like

```
clerks = Resource('clerks', capacity=3)
```

And then a component can request a clerk

```
yield self.request(clerks)  # request 1 from clerks
```

It is also possible to request for more resources at once

```
yield self.request(clerks, (assistance, 2))  # request 1 from clerks AND 2 from assistance
```

Resources have a queue `requesters` containing all components trying to claim from the resource. And a queue `claimers` containing all components claiming from the resource (not for anonymous resources).

It is possible to release a quantity from a resource with `c.release()`, e.g.

```
self.release(r)  # releases all claimed quantity from r  
self.release((r, 2))  # release quantity 2 from r
```

Alternatively, it is possible to release from a resource directly, e.g.

```
r.release() # releases the total quantity from all claiming components
r.release(10) # releases 10 from the resource; only valid for anonymous resources
```

After a release, all requesting components will be checked whether their claim can be honored.

Resources have a number of monitors and timestamped monitors:

- `claimers().length`
- `claimers().length_of_stay`
- `requesters().length`
- `requesters().length_of_stay`
- `claimed_quantity`
- `available_quantity`
- `capacity`

By default, all monitors are enabled.

With `r.print_statistics()` the key statistics of these all monitors are printed.

E.g.:

```
Statistics of clerk at      50000.000
```

| | | all | excl.zero | zero |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|--------|-----------|----------|
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| Length of requesters of clerk | duration | 50000 | 48499.381 | 1500.619 |
| | mean | 8.427 | 8.687 | |
| | std.deviation | 4.852 | 4.691 | |
| | minimum | 0 | 1 | |
| | median | 9 | 10 | |
| | 90% percentile | 14 | 14 | |
| | 95% percentile | 16 | 16 | |
| | maximum | 21 | 21 | |
| Length of stay in requesters of clerk | entries | 4995 | 4933 | 62 |
| | mean | 84.345 | 85.405 | |
| | std.deviation | 48.309 | 47.672 | |

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| | minimum | 0 | 0.006 | |
| | median | 94.843 | 95.411 | |
| | 90% percentile | 142.751 | 142.975 | |
| | 95% percentile | 157.467 | 157.611 | |
| | maximum | 202.153 | 202.153 | |
| Length of claimers of clerk | duration | 50000 | 50000 | 0 |
| | mean | 2.996 | 2.996 | |
| | std.deviation | 0.068 | 0.068 | |
| | minimum | 1 | 1 | |
| | median | 3 | 3 | |
| | 90% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | 95% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | maximum | 3 | 3 | |
| Length of stay in claimers of clerk | entries | 4992 | 4992 | 0 |
| | mean | 30 | 30 | |
| | std.deviation | 0.000 | 0.000 | |
| | minimum | 30.000 | 30.000 | |
| | median | 30 | 30 | |
| | 90% percentile | 30 | 30 | |
| | 95% percentile | 30 | 30 | |
| | maximum | 30.000 | 30.000 | |
| Capacity of clerk | duration | 50000 | 50000 | 0 |
| | mean | 3 | 3 | |
| | std.deviation | 0 | 0 | |
| | minimum | 3 | 3 | |
| | median | 3 | 3 | |
| | 90% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | 95% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | maximum | 3 | 3 | |
| Available quantity of clerk | duration | 50000 | 187.145 | 49812.855 |
| | mean | 0.004 | 1.078 | |
| | std.deviation | 0.068 | 0.268 | |

| | | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|---|
| | minimum | 0 | 1 | |
| | median | 0 | 1 | |
| | 90% percentile | 0 | 1 | |
| | 95% percentile | 0 | 2 | |
| | maximum | 2 | 2 | |
| Claimed quantity of clerk | duration | 50000 | 50000 | 0 |
| | mean | 2.996 | 2.996 | |
| | std.deviation | 0.068 | 0.068 | |
| | minimum | 1 | 1 | |
| | median | 3 | 3 | |
| | 90% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | 95% percentile | 3 | 3 | |
| | maximum | 3 | 3 | |

With `r.print_info()` a summary of the contents of the queues can be printed.

E.g.

```
Resource 0x112e8f0b8
name=clerk
capacity=3
requesting component(s):
  customer.4995    quantity=1
  customer.4996    quantity=1
claimed_quantity=3
claimed by:
  customer.4992    quantity=1
  customer.4993    quantity=1
  customer.4994    quantity=1
```

The capacity may be changed with `r.set_capacity(x)`. Note that this may lead to requesting components to be honored.

Querying of the capacity, claimed quantity and available quantity can be done via the timestamped monitors: `r.capacity()`, `r.claimed_quantity()` and `r.available_quantity()`

It is possible to calculate the occupancy of a resource with

```
occupancy = r.claimed_quantity().mean / r.capacity().mean
```


States together with the `Component.wait` method provide a powerful way of process interaction.

A state will have a certain value at a given time. In its simplest form a component can then wait for a specific value of a state. Once that value is reached, the component will be resumed.

Definition is simple, like `dooropen=sim.State('dooropen')`. The default initial value is `False`, meaning the door is closed.

Now we can say

```
dooropen.set()
```

to open the door.

If we want a person to wait for an open door, we could say

```
yield self.wait(dooropen)
```

If we just want at most one person to enter, we say `dooropen.trigger(max=1)`.

We can obtain the current value by just calling the state, like in

```
print('door is ', ('open' if dooropen() else 'closed'))
```

Alternatively, we can get the current value with the `get` method

```
print('door is ', ('open' if dooropen.get() else 'closed'))
```

The value of a state is automatically monitored in the `state.value` timestamped monitor.

All components waiting for a state are in a salabim queue, called `waiters()`.

States can be used also for non values other than bool type. E.g.

```
light=sim.State('light', value='red')
...
light.state.set('green')
```

Or define a int/float state

```
level=sim.State('level', value=0)
...
level.set(level()+10)
```

States have a number if monitors and timestamped monitors:

- `value`, where all the values are collected over time
- `waiters().length`
- `waiters().length_of_stay`

7.1 Process interaction with `wait()`

A component can wait for a state to get a certain value. In its most simple form

```
yield self.wait(dooropen)
```

Once the `dooropen` state is `True`, the component will continue.

As with `request()` it is possible to set a timeout with `fail_at` or `fail_delay`

```
yield self.wait(dooropen, fail_delay=10)
if self.failed:
    print('impatient ...')
```

In the above example we tested for a state to be `True`.

There are three ways to test for a value:

7.1.1 Scalar testing

It is possible to test for a certain value

```
yield self.wait((light, 'green'))
```

Or more states at once

```
yield self.wait((light, 'green'), night) # honored as soon as light is green OR it's night
yield self.wait((light, 'green'), (light, 'yellow')) # honored as soon as light is green OR yellow
```

It is also possible to wait for all conditions to be satisfied, by adding `all=True`:

```
yield self.wait((light, 'green'), engine_running, all=True) # honored as soon as light is green AND engine is running
```

7.1.2 Evaluation testing

Here, we use a string containing an expression that can evaluate to True or False. This is done by specifying at least one `$` in the test-string. This `$` will be replaced at run time by `state.value()`, where `state` is the state under test. Here are some examples

```
yield self.wait((light, '$ in ("green","yellow")'))
# if at run time light.value() is 'green', test for eval(state.value() in ("green","yellow")) ==> True
yield self.wait((level, '$ < 30'))
# if at run time level.value() is 50, test for eval(state.value() < 30) ==> False
```

During the evaluation, `self` refers to the component under test and `state` to the state under test. E.g.

```
self.limit = 30
yield self.wait((level, 'self.limit >= $'))
# if at run time level.value() is 10, test for eval(self.limit >= state.get()) ==> True, so honored
```

7.1.3 Function testing

This is a more complicated but also more versatile way of specifying the honor-condition. In that case, a function is required to specify the condition. The function needs to accept three arguments:

- `x = state.get()`

- component component under test
- state under test

E.g.:

```
yield self.wait((light, lambda x, _, _ : x in ('green', 'yellow'))
    # x is light.get())
yield self.wait((level, lambda x, _, _ : x >= 30))
    # x is level.get())
```

And, of course, it is possible to define a function

```
def levelreached(x):
    value, component, _ = x
    return value < component.limit

...

self.limit = 30
yield self.wait((level, levelreached))
```

7.1.4 Combination of testing methods

It is possible to mix scalar, evaluation and function testing. And it's also possible to specify `all=True` in any case.

MONITOR AND MONITORTIMESTAMP

Monitors and timestamped monitors are a way to collect data from the simulation. They are automatically collected for resources, queues and states. On top of that the user can define its own (timestamped) monitors.

8.1 Monitor

The Monitor class collects values which do not have a direct relation with the current time, e.g. the processing time of a part.

We define the monitor with `processingtime=sim.Monitor('processingtime')` and then collect values by `processingtime.tally(env.now()-start)`

By default, the collected values are stored in a list. Alternatively, it is possible to store the values in an array of one of the following types:

| type | stored as | lowerbound | upperbound | number of bytes |
|----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 'any' | list | N/A | N/A | depends on data |
| 'bool' | integer | False | True | 1 |
| 'int8' | integer | -128 | 127 | 1 |
| 'uint8' | integer | 0 | 255 | 1 |
| 'int16' | integer | -32768 | 32767 | 2 |
| 'uint16' | integer | 0 | 65535 | 2 |
| 'int32' | integer | 2147483648 | 2147483647 | 4 |
| 'uint32' | integer | 0 | 4294967295 | 4 |
| 'int64' | integer | -9223372036854775808 | 9223372036854775807 | 8 |
| 'uint64' | integer | 0 | 18446744073709551615 | 8 |
| 'float' | float | -inf | inf | 8 |

Monitoring with arrays takes up less space. Particularly when tallying a large number of values, this is strongly advised.

Note that if non numeric values are stored (only possible with the default setting ('any')), a tallied values is converted to a numeric value if possible, or 0 if not.

There is set of statistical data available:

- number_of_entries
- number_of_entries_zero
- mean
- std
- minimum
- median
- maximum
- percentile
- bin_count (number of entries between to given values)

For all these statistics, it is possible to exclude zero entries, e.g. `m.mean(ex0=True)` returns the mean, excluding zero entries.

Besides, it is possible to get all collected values as an array with `x()`. In that case of 'any' monitors, the values might be converted. By specifying `force_numeric=False` the collected values will be returned as stored.

With the monitor method, the monitor can be enabled or disabled. Note that a tally is just ignored when the monitor is disabled.

Also, the current status (enabled/disabled) can be retrieved.

```
proctime.monitor(False)  # disable monitoring
proctime.monitor(True)   # enable monitoring
if proctime.monitor():
    print('proctime is enabled')
```

Calling `m.reset()` will clear all tallied values.

The statistics of a monitor can be printed with `print_statistics()`. E.g: `waitingline.length_of_stay.print_statistics()`:

```
Statistics of Length of stay in waitingline at      50000
              all      excl.zero      zero
-----
entries      4995      4933      62
```

| | | |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| mean | 84.345 | 85.405 |
| std.deviation | 48.309 | 47.672 |
| minimum | 0 | 0.006 |
| median | 94.843 | 95.411 |
| 90% percentile | 142.751 | 142.975 |
| 95% percentile | 157.467 | 157.611 |
| maximum | 202.153 | 202.153 |

And, a histogram can be printed with `print_histogram()`. E.g. `waitingline.length_of_stay.print_histogram(30, 0, 10):`

```

Histogram of Length of stay in waitingline
-----
all      excl.zero      zero
-----
entries      4995      4933      62
mean          84.345      85.405
std.deviation 48.309      47.672

minimum      0      0.006
median       94.843      95.411
90% percentile 142.751      142.975
95% percentile 157.467      157.611
maximum      202.153      202.153

      <=      entries      %      cum%
0          62          1.2      1.2 |
10         169          3.4      4.6 ** |
20         284          5.7     10.3 **** |
30         424          8.5     18.8 ***** |
40         372          7.4     26.2 ***** |
50         296          5.9     32.2 ***** |
60         231          4.6     36.8 **** |
70         192          3.8     40.6 *** |
80         188          3.8     44.4 *** |
90         136          2.7     47.1 ** |
100        352          7.0     54.2 ***** |
110        491          9.8     64.0 ***** |
120        414          8.3     72.3 ***** |
130        467          9.3     81.6 ***** |
140        351          7.0     88.7 ***** |

```

| | | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|--|
| 150 | 224 | 4.5 | 93.2 | *** | |
| 160 | 127 | 2.5 | 95.7 | ** | |
| 170 | 67 | 1.3 | 97.0 | * | |
| 180 | 59 | 1.2 | 98.2 | | |
| 190 | 61 | 1.2 | 99.4 | | |
| 200 | 24 | 0.5 | 99.9 | | |
| 210 | 4 | 0.1 | 100 | | |
| 220 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 230 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 240 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 250 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 260 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 270 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 280 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 290 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| 300 | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |
| inf | 0 | 0 | 100 | | |

8.2 MonitorTimestamp

The MonitorTimestamp class collects tallied values along with the current (simulation) time. e.g. the number of parts a machine is working on.

By default, the collected x-values are stored in a list. Alternatively, it is possible to store the x-values in an array of one of the following types:

| type | stored as | lowerbound | upperbound | number of bytes | do not tally (=off) |
|----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 'any' | list | N/A | N/A | depends on data | N/A' |
| 'bool' | integer | False | True | 1 | 255 |
| 'int8' | integer | -127 | 127 | 1 | -128 |
| 'uint8' | integer | 0 | 254 | 1 | 255 |
| 'int16' | integer | -32767 | 32767 | 2 | -32768 |
| 'uint16' | integer | 0 | 65534 | 2 | 65535 |
| 'int32' | integer | 2147483647 | 2147483647 | 4 | 2147483648 |
| 'uint32' | integer | 0 | 4294967294 | 4 | 4294967295 |
| 'int64' | integer | -9223372036854775807 | 9223372036854775807 | 8 | -9223372036854775808 |
| 'uint64' | integer | 0 | 18446744073709551614 | 8 | 18446744073709551615 |
| 'float' | float | -inf | inf | 8 | -inf |

Monitoring with arrays takes up less space. Particularly when tallying a large number of values, this is strongly advised.

Note that if non numeric x-values are stored (only possible with the default setting ('any')), a tallied values is converted to a numeric value if possible, or 0 if not.

During the simulation run, it is possible to retrieve the last tallied value (which represents the 'current' value) by calling `Monitor.tally()` without arguments. It's even possible to directly call the timestamped monitor to get the current value, e.g.

```
level = sim.MonitorTimestamp('level')
...
level.tally(10)
...
print (level()) # will print 10
```

For the same reason, the standard length monitor of a queue can be used to get the current length of a queue: `q.length()` although the more Pythonic `len(q)` is preferred.

There is whole set of statistical data available, which are all weighted with the duration:

- duration
- duration_zero (time that the value was zero)
- mean
- std
- minimum
- median
- maximum
- percentile
- bin_count (number of entries between to given values)
- histogram (numpy definition)

For all these statistics, it is possible to exclude zero entries, e.g. `m.mean(ex0=True)` returns the mean, excluding zero entries.

The individual x-values and their duration can be retrieved `xduration()`. By default, the x-values will be returned as an array, even if the type is 'any'. In case the type is 'any' (stored as a list), the tallied x-values will be converted to a numeric value or 0 if that's not possible. By specifying `force_numeric=False` the collected x-values will be returned as stored.

The individual x-values and the associated timestamps can be retrieved with `xt()` or `tx()`. By default, the x-values will be returned as an array, even if the type is 'any'. In case the type is 'any' (stored as a list), the tallied x-values will be converted to a numeric value or 0 if that's not possible. By specifying `force_numeric=False` the collected x-values will be returned as stored.

When monitoring is disabled, an off value (see table above) will be tallied. All statistics will ignore the periods from this off to a non-off value. This also holds for the `xduration()` method, but NOT for `xt()` and `tx()`. Thus, the x-arrays of `xduration()` are not necessarily the same as the x-arrays in `xt()` and `tx()`. This is the reason why there's no `x()` or `t()` method. It is easy to get just the x-array with `xduration()[0]` or `xt()[0]`.

With the `monitor` method, the timestamped monitor can be enabled or disabled.

Also, the current status (enabled/disabled) can be retrieved.

```
level.monitor(False)  # disable monitoring
level.monitor(True)   # enable monitoring
if level.monitor():
    print('level is enabled')
```

It is strongly advised to keep tallying when monitoring is off, in order to be able to access the current value at any time. The values tallied when monitoring is off are not stored.

Calling `m.reset()` will clear all tallied values and timestamps.

The statistics of a timestamped monitor can be printed with `print_statistics()`. E.g: `waitingline.length.print_statistics()`:

| Statistics of Length of waitingline at | | 50000 | |
|--|-------|-----------|----------|
| | all | excl.zero | zero |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| duration | 50000 | 48499.381 | 1500.619 |
| mean | 8.427 | 8.687 | |
| std.deviation | 4.852 | 4.691 | |
| minimum | 0 | 1 | |
| median | 9 | 10 | |
| 90% percentile | 14 | 14 | |
| 95% percentile | 16 | 16 | |
| maximum | 21 | 21 | |

And, a histogram can be printed with `print_histogram()`. E.g.

```
waitingline.length.print_histogram(30, 0, 1)
```

| Histogram of Length of waitingline | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------|-----------|----------|
| | all | excl.zero | zero |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| duration | 50000 | 48499.381 | 1500.619 |
| mean | 8.427 | 8.687 | |


```

std.deviation      4.852      4.691

minimum            0          1
median             9          10
90% percentile     14          14
95% percentile     16          16
maximum            21          21

```

```

      <=      duration      %      cum%
0      1500.619    3.0    3.0  **|
1      2111.284    4.2    7.2  *** |
2      3528.851    7.1   14.3  ***** |
3      4319.406    8.6   22.9  ***** |
4      3354.732    6.7   29.6  ***** |
5      2445.603    4.9   34.5  *** |
6      2090.759    4.2   38.7  *** |
7      2046.126    4.1   42.8  *** |
8      1486.956    3.0   45.8  ** |
9      2328.863    4.7   50.4  *** |
10     4337.502    8.7   59.1  ***** |
11     4546.145    9.1   68.2  ***** |
12     4484.405    9.0   77.2  ***** |
13     4134.094    8.3   85.4  ***** |
14     2813.860    5.6   91.1  **** |
15     1714.894    3.4   94.5  ** |
16       992.690    2.0   96.5  * |
17       541.546    1.1   97.6  |
18       625.048    1.3   98.8  * |
19       502.291    1.0   99.8  |
20        86.168    0.2  100.0  |
21         8.162    0.0  100    |
22         0        0    100    |
23         0        0    100    |
24         0        0    100    |
25         0        0    100    |
26         0        0    100    |
27         0        0    100    |
28         0        0    100    |
29         0        0    100    |
30         0        0    100    |

```

| | | | |
|-----|---|---|-----|
| inf | 0 | 0 | 100 |
|-----|---|---|-----|

DISTRIBUTIONS

Salabim can be used with the standard random module, but it is easier to use the salabim distributions.

Internally, salabim uses the random module. There is always a seed associated with each distribution, which is normally `random.random`.

When a new environment is created, the random seed 1234567 will be set by default. However, it is possible to override this behaviour with the `random_seed` parameter:

- any hashable value, to set another seed
- null string (''): no reseeding
- None: true random, non reproducible (based on current time)

As a distribution is an instance of a class, it can be used in assignment, parameters, etc. E.g.

```
inter_arrival_time = sim.Uniform(10,15)
```

And then, to wait for a time sampled from this distribution

```
yield self.hold(inter_arrival_time.sample())
```

or :: `yield self.hold(inter_arrival_time())`

or

```
yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(10,15).sample())
```

or

```
yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(10,15)())
```

All distributions are a subclass of `_Distribution` which supports the following methods:

- `mean()`
- `sample()`
- direct calling as an alternative to `sample`, like `Uniform(12,15)()`
- `bounded_sample()` # see below

For each distribution it is possible to limit the sampled values between a lowerbound and an upperbound, by using the method `bounded_sample()`. This is particularly useful when a duration is required, which has to be positive, but the distribution it self does not guarantee a positive value, e.g.

```
duration = sim.Normal(5,5).bounded_sample(lowerbound=0)
```

Salabim provides the following distribution classes:

9.1 Beta

Beta distribution with a given

- `alpha` (shape)
- `beta` (shape)

E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Beta(2,4) # Beta with alpha=2, beta=4`
```

9.2 Constant

No sampling is required for this distribution, as it always returns the same value. E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Constant(10)
```

9.3 Erlang

Erlang distribution with a given

- shape (k)
- rate (lambda) or scale (mu)

E.g.

```
inter_arrival_time = sim.Erlang(2, rate=2)  # Erlang-2, with lambda = 2
```

9.4 Gamma

Gamma distribution with given

- shape (k)
- scale (teta) or rate (beta)

E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Gamma(2,3)  # Gamma with k=2, teta=3
```

9.5 Exponential

Exponential distribution with a given

- mean or rate (lambda)

E.g.

```
inter_arrival_time = sim.Exponential(10)  # on an average every 10 time units
```

9.6 IntUniform

Integer uniform distribution between a given

- lowerbound
- upperbound (inclusive)

E.g.

```
die = sim.IntUniform(1, 6)
```

9.7 Normal

Normal distribution with a given

- mean
- standard deviation

E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Normal(10, 2)  # Normal with mean=10, standard deviation=2
```

Note that this might result in negative values, which might not correct if it is a duration. In that case, use `bounded_sample` like

```
yield self.hold(processing_time.bounded_sample())
```

Normally, sampling is done with the `random.normalvariate` method. Alternatively, the `random.gauss` method can be used.

9.8 Poisson

Poisson distribution with a lambda

E.g.

```
occurences_in_one_hour = sim.Poisson(10)  # Poisson distribution with lambda (and thus mean) = 10
```

9.9 Triangular

Triangular distribution with a given

- lowerbound
- upperbound
- median

E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Triangular(5, 15, 8)
```

9.10 Uniform

Uniform distribution between a given

- lowerbound
- upperbound

E.g.

```
processing_time = sim.Uniform(5, 15)
```

9.11 Weibull

Weibull distribution with given

- scale (alpha or k)
- shape (beta or lambda)

E.g.

```
time_between_failure = sim.Weibull(2, 5)  # Weibull with k=2. lambda=5
```

9.12 Cdf

Cumulative distribution function, specified as a list or tuple with $x[i], p[i]$ values, where $p[i]$ is the cumulative probability that $x \leq p_n$. E.g.

```
processingtime = sim.Cdf((5, 0, 10, 50, 15, 90, 30, 95, 60, 100))
```

This means that 0% is <5 , 50% is <10 , 90% is <15 , 95% is <30 and 100% is <60 .

Note: It is required that $p[0]$ is 0 and that $p[i] \leq p[i+1]$ and that $x[i] \leq x[i+1]$.

It is not required that the last $p[]$ is 100, as all $p[]$'s are automatically scaled. This means that the two distributions below are identical to the first example

```
processingtime = sim.Cdf((5, 0.00, 10, 0.50, 15, 0.90, 30, 0.95, 60, 1.00))
processingtime = sim.Cdf((5, 0, 10, 10, 15, 18, 30, 19, 60, 20))
```

9.13 Pdf

Probability density function, specified as:

1. list or tuple of $x[i], p[i]$ where $p[i]$ is the probability (density)
2. list or tuple of $x[i]$ followed by a list or tuple $p[i]$
3. list or tuple of $x[i]$ followed by a scalar (value not important)

Note: It is required that the sum of $p[i]$'s is **greater than** 0.

E.g.


```
processingtime = sim.Pdf((5, 10, 10, 50, 15, 40))
```

This means that 10% is 5, 50% is 10 and 40% is 15.

It is not required that the sum of the $p[i]$'s is 100, as all $p[i]$'s are automatically scaled. This means that the two distributions below are identical to the first example

```
processingtime = sim.Pdf((5, 0.10, 10, 0.50, 15, 0.40))
processingtime = sim.Pdf((5, 2, 10, 10, 15, 8))
```

And the same with the second form

```
processingtime = sim.Pdf((5, 10, 15), (10, 50, 40))
```

If all $x[i]$'s have the same probability, the third form is very useful

```
dice = sim.Pdf((1,2,3,4,5,6),1)  # the distribution IntUniform(1,6) does the job as well
dice = sim.Pdf(range(1,7),1)    # same as above
```

$x[i]$ may be of any type, so it possible to use

```
color = sim.Pdf(('Green', 45, 'Yellow', 10, 'Red', 45))
cartype = sim.Pdf(ordertypes,1)
```

If the x -value is a salabim distribution, not the distribution but a sample of that distribution is returned when sampling

```
processingtime = sim.Pdf((sim.Uniform(5, 10), 50, sim.Uniform(10, 15), 40, sim.Uniform(15, 20), 10))
proctime=processingtime.sample()
```

Here proctime will have a probability of 50% being between 5 and 10, 40% between 10 and 15 and 10% between 15 and 20.

9.14 Distribution

A special distribution is the Distribution class. Here, a string will contain the specification of the distribution. This is particularly useful when the distributions are specified in an external file. E.g.

```
with open('experiment1.txt', 'r') as f:
    interarrivalttime = sim.Distribution(read(f))
```

```
processingtime = sim.Distribution(read(f))  
numberofparcels = sim.Distribution(read(f))
```

With a file experiment.txt

```
Uniform(10,15)  
Triangular(1,5,2)  
IntUniform(10,20)
```

or with abbreviation

```
Uni(10,15)  
Tri(1,5,2)  
Int(10,20)
```

or even

```
U(10,15)  
T(1,5,2)  
I(10,20)
```

ANIMATION

Animation is a very powerful tool to debug, test and demonstrate simulations. Salabim's animation engine also allows some user input.

This section of the documentation is not yet complete.

Salabim animations can be

- synchronized with the simulation clock and run in real time (synchronized)
- advance per simulation event (non synchronized)

In synchronized mode, one time unit in the simulation can correspond to any period in real time, e.g.

- 1 time unit in simulation time → 1 second real time (speed = 1) (default)
- 1 time unit in simulation time → 4 seconds real time (speed = 0.25)
- 4 time units in simulation time → 1 second real time (speed = 4)

The most common way to start an animation is by calling “`env.animate(True)`” or with a call to `animation_parameters`.

Animations can be started en stopped during execution (i.e. run). When main is active, the animation is always stopped.

The animation uses a coordinate system that -by default- is in screen pixels. The lower left corner is (0,0). But, the user can change both the coordinate of the lower left corner (translation) as well as set the x-coordinate of the lower right hand corner (scaling). Note that x- and y-scaling are always the same. Furthermore, it is possible to specify the colour of the background with `animation_parameters`.

Prior to version 2.3.0 there was actually just one animation object class: `Animate`. This interface is described later as the new animation classes are easier to use and offer some additional functionality.

New style animation classes can be used to put texts, rectangles, polygon, lines, series of points, circles or images on the screen. All types can be connected to an optional text.

Here is a sample program to show of all the new style animation classes

```
env=sim.Environment(trace=False)
class X(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        yield self.hold(1)
        env.snapshot('manual/source/Pic1.png')
env.animate(True)
env.background_color('20%gray')

sim.AnimatePolygon(spec=(100, 100, 300, 100, 200,190), text='This is\na polygon')
sim.AnimateLine(spec=(100, 200, 300, 300), text='This is a line')
sim.AnimateRectangle(spec=(100, 10, 300, 30), text='This is a rectangle')
sim.AnimateCircle(radius=60, x=100, y=400, text='This is a cicle')
sim.AnimateCircle(radius=60, radius1=30, x=300, y=400, text='This is an ellipse')
sim.AnimatePoints(spec=(100,500, 150, 550, 180, 570, 250, 500, 300, 500), text='These are points')
sim.AnimateText(text='This is a one-line text', x=100, y=600)
sim.AnimateText(text=''\n
Multi line text
-----
Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor
incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud
exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut
aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis aute
irure dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate
velit esse cillum dolore eu fugiat nulla
pariatur.

Excepteur sint occaecat cupidatat non
proident, sunt in culpa qui officia
deserunt mollit anim id est laborum.
'', x=500, y=100)

sim.AnimateImage('Pas un pipe.jpg', x=500, y=400)
X()
env.run(100)
```

Resulting in:

t=1.000

This is a one-line text

These are points

This is a cicle

This is an ellipse

This is a line

This is
a polygon

This is a rectangle



Multi line text

 Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur
 adipiscing elit, sed do eiusmod tempor
 incididunt ut labore et dolore magna aliqua.
 Ut enim ad minim veniam, quis nostrud
 exercitation ullamco laboris nisi ut
 aliquip ex ea commodo consequat. Duis aute
 irure dolor in reprehenderit in voluptate
 velit esse cillum dolore eu fugiat nulla
 pariatur.

Excepteur sint occaecat cupidatat non
 proident, sunt in culpa qui officia
 deserunt mollit anim id est laborum.

Salabim is also able to animate the components of a queue, with `AnimateQueue()`. It is possible to use the standard shape of components, which is a rectangle with the sequence number or define your own shape(s). The queue can be build up in west, east, north or south directions. It is possible to limit the number of componenrs shown.

Monitors and timestamped monitors can be visualized dynamically now with `AnimateMonitor()`‘‘.

These features are demonstrated in *Demo queue animation.py*

```
import salabim as sim

class X(sim.Component):
    def setup(self, i):
        self.i = i

    def animation_objects(self, id):
        if id == 'text':
            ao0 = sim.AnimateText(text=self.name(), textcolor='fg', text_anchor='nw')
            return 0, 16, ao0
        else:
            ao0 = sim.AnimateRectangle((0, 0, 40, 20),
                                       text=self.name(), fillcolor=id, textcolor='white', arg=self)
            return 45, 0, ao0

    def process(self):
        while True:
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(0, 20)())
            self.enter(q)
            yield self.hold(sim.Uniform(0, 20)())
            self.leave()

env = sim.Environment(trace=False)
env.background_color('20%gray')

q = sim.Queue('queue')

sim.AnimateText('queue, normal', x=100, y=50, text_anchor='nw')
qa0 = sim.AnimateQueue(q, x=100, y=50, direction='e', id='blue')

sim.AnimateText('queue, limited to six components', x=100, y=250, text_anchor='nw')
qa1 = sim.AnimateQueue(q, x=100, y=250, direction='e', max_length=6, id='red')
```

```
sim.AnimateText('queue, reversed', x=100, y=150, text_anchor='nw')
qa2 = sim.AnimateQueue(q, x=100, y=150, direction='e', reverse=True, id='green')

sim.AnimateText('queue, text only', x=80, y=460, text_anchor='sw', angle=270)
qa3 = sim.AnimateQueue(q, x=100, y=460, direction='s', id='text')

sim.AnimateMonitor(q.length, x=10, y=480, width=450, height=100, horizontal_scale=5, vertical_scale=5)

sim.AnimateMonitor(q.length_of_stay, x=10, y=600, width=450, height=100, horizontal_scale=5, vertical_scale=5)

sim.AnimateText(text=lambda: q.length.print_histogram(as_str=True), x=500, y=700,
               text_anchor='nw', font='narrow', fontsize=10)

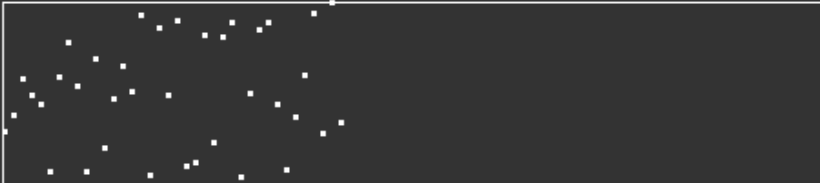
sim.AnimateText(text=lambda: q.print_info(as_str=True), x=500, y=340,
               text_anchor='nw', font='narrow', fontsize=10)

[X(i=i) for i in range(15)]
env.animate(True)
env.run()
```

Here is snapshot of this powerful, dynamics (including the histogram!):

t=60.000

Length of stay in queue



Length of queue



queue, text only
x.13
x.10
x.12
x.0
x.11
x.7
x.14
x.2

x.13 x.10 x.12 x.0 x.11 x.7

queue, limited to six components

x.2 x.14 x.7 x.11 x.0 x.12 x.10 x.13

queue, reversed

x.13 x.10 x.12 x.0 x.11 x.7 x.14 x.2

queue, normal

Histogram of Length of queue

| | all | excl.zero | zero |
|----------------|-------|-----------|-------|
| duration | 60 | 58.518 | 1.482 |
| mean | 6.654 | 6.823 | |
| std.deviation | 2.760 | 2.581 | |
| minimum | 0 | 1 | |
| median | 7 | 7 | |
| 90% percentile | 10 | 10 | |
| 95% percentile | 11 | 11 | |
| maximum | 13 | 13 | |

| <= | duration | % | cum% |
|-----|----------|------|------------|
| 0 | 1.482 | 2.5 | 2.5 * |
| 1 | 2.021 | 3.4 | 5.8 ** |
| 2 | 1.031 | 1.7 | 7.6 * |
| 3 | 3.543 | 5.9 | 13.5 **** |
| 4 | 5.687 | 9.5 | 22.9 ***** |
| 5 | 5.078 | 8.5 | 31.4 ***** |
| 6 | 5.220 | 8.7 | 40.1 ***** |
| 7 | 11.512 | 19.2 | 59.3 ***** |
| 8 | 10.003 | 16.7 | 76.0 ***** |
| 9 | 6.746 | 11.2 | 87.2 ***** |
| 10 | 2.968 | 4.9 | 92.2 *** |
| 11 | 2.453 | 4.1 | 96.2 *** |
| 12 | 2.221 | 3.7 | 99.9 ** |
| 13 | 0.036 | 0.1 | 100 |
| inf | 0 | 0 | 100 |

Queue 0x1efa9ab07f0

name=queue

component(s):

| | | | |
|------|------------|--------|------------|
| x.13 | enter_time | 46.763 | priority=0 |
| x.10 | enter_time | 52.074 | priority=0 |
| x.12 | enter_time | 52.593 | priority=0 |
| x.0 | enter_time | 56.894 | priority=0 |
| x.11 | enter_time | 57.040 | priority=0 |
| x.7 | enter_time | 57.884 | priority=0 |
| x.14 | enter_time | 58.092 | priority=0 |
| x.2 | enter_time | 58.981 | priority=0 |

10.1 Advanced

The various classes have a lot of parameters, like color, line width, font, etc.

These parameters can be given just as a scalar, like:

```
sim.AnimateText(text='Hello world', x=200, y=300, textcolor='red')
```

But each of these parameters may also be a:

- function with zero arguments
- function with one argument being the time t
- function with two arguments being 'arg' and the time t
- a method with instance 'arg' and the time t

The function or method is called at each animation frame update (usually 30 frames per second).

This makes it for instance possible to show dynamically the mean of monitor m , like in

```
sim.AnimateRectangle(spec=(10, 10, 200, 30), text=lambda: str(m.mean()))
```

10.2 Class Animate

This class can be used to show:

- line (if line0 is specified)
- rectangle (if rectangle0 is specified)
- polygon (if polygon0 is specified)
- circle (if circle0 is specified)
- text (if text is specified)
- image (if image is specified)

Note that only one type is allowed per instance of Animate.

Nearly all attributes of an Animate object are interpolated between time t_0 and t_1 . If t_0 is not specified, `now()` is assumed. If t_1 is not specified `inf` is assumed, which means that the attribute will be the '0' attribute.

E.g.:

`Animate(x0=100,y0=100,rectangle0=(-10,-10,10,10))` will show a square around (100,100) for ever `Animate(x0=100,y0=100,x1=200,y1=0,rectangle0=(-10,-10,10,10))` will still show the same square around (100,100) as `t1` is not specified `Animate(t1=env.now()+10,x0=100,y0=100,x1=200,y1=0,rectangle0=(-10,-10,10,10))` will show a square moving from (100,100) to (200,0) in 10 units of time.

It also possible to let the rectangle change shape over time:

`Animate(t1=env.now(),x0=100,y0=100,x1=200,y1=0,rectangle0=(-10,-10,10,10),rectangle1=(-20,-20,20,20))` will show a moving and growing rectangle.

By default, the animation object will not change anymore after `t1`, but will remain visible. Alternatively, if `keep=False` is specified, the object will disappear at time `t1`.

Also, colors, fontsizes, angles can be changed in a linear way over time.

E.g.:

`Animate(t1=env.now()+10,text='Test',textcolor0='red',textcolor1='blue',angle0=0,angle1=360)` will show a rotating text changing from red to blue in 10 units of time.

The animation object can be updated with the update method. Here, once again, all the attributes can be specified to change over time. Note that the defaults for the '0' values are the actual values at `t=now()`.

Thus,

`an=Animate(t0=0,t1=10,x0=0,x1=100,y0=0,circle0=(10,),circle1=(20,))` will show a horizontally moving, growing circle.

Now, at time `t=5`, we issue `an.update(t1=10,y1=50,circle1=(10,))` Then `x0` will be set 50 (halfway 0 and 100) and `cicle0` to (15,) (halfway 10 and 20). Thus the circle will shrink to its original size and move vertically from (50,0) to (50,50). This concept is very useful for moving objects whose position and orientation are controlled by the simulation.

Here we explain how an attribute changes during time. We use `x` as an example. Normally, `x=x0` at `t=t0` and `x=x1` at `t>=t1`. between `t=t0` and `t=t1`, `x` is linearly interpolated. An application can however override the `x` method. The preferred way is to subclass the `Animate` class:

```
# Demo animate 1
import salabim as sim

class AnimateMovingText(sim.Animate):
    def __init__(self):
        sim.Animate.__init__(self, text=' ', x0=100, x1=1000, y0=100, t1=env.now() + 10)

    def x(self, t):
        return sim.interpolate(sim.interpolate(t, self.t0, self.t1, 0, 1)**2, 0, 1, self.x0, self.x1)
```

```
def y(self, t):  
    return int(t) * 50  
  
def text(self, t):  
    return '{:0.1f}'.format(t)  
  
env = sim.Environment()  
  
env.animation_parameters()  
  
AnimateMovingText()  
  
env.run()
```

This code will show the current simulation time moving from left to right, uniformly accelerated. And the text will be shown a bit higher up, every second. It is not necessary to use `t0`, `t1`, `x0`, `x1`, but is a convenient way of setting attributes.

The following methods may be overridden:

| method | circle | image | line | polygon | rectangle | text |
|-------------|--------|-------|------|---------|-----------|------------------------------|
| anchor | | • | | | | |
| angle | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| circle | • | | | | | |
| fillcolor | • | | | • | • | |
| fontsize | | | | | | • |
| image | | • | | | | |
| layer | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| line | | | • | | | |
| linecolor | • | | • | • | • | |
| linewidth | • | | • | • | • | |
| max_lines | | | | | | • |
| offsetx | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| offsety | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| polygon | | | | • | | |
| rectangle | | | | | • | |
| text | | | | | | • |
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| text_anchor | | | | | | • |
| textcolor | | | | | | • |

Dashboard animation

Here we present an example model where the simulation code is completely separated from the animation code. This makes communication and debugging and switching off animation much easier.

The example below generates 15 persons starting at time 0, 1, These persons enter a queue called q and stay there 15 time units.

The animation dashboard shows the first 10 persons in the queue q, along with the length of that q.

```
# Demo animate 2.py
import salabim as sim

class AnimateWaitSquare(sim.Animate):
    def __init__(self, i):
        self.i = i
        sim.Animate.__init__(self,
            rectangle0=(-10, -10, 10, 10), x0=300 - 30 * i, y0=100, fillcolor0='red', linewidth0=0)

    def visible(self, t):
        return q[self.i] is not None

class AnimateWaitText(sim.Animate):
    def __init__(self, i):
        self.i = i
        sim.Animate.__init__(self, text='', x0=300 - 30 * i, y0=100, textcolor0='white')

    def text(self, t):
        component_i = q[self.i]

        if component_i is None:
            return ''
        else:
            return component_i.name()

def do_animation():
    env.animation_parameters()
    for i in range(10):
        AnimateWaitSquare(i)
        AnimateWaitText(i)
```

```
show_length = sim.Animate(text='', x0=330, y0=100, textcolor0='black', anchor='w')
show_length.text = lambda t: 'Length= ' + str(len(q))

class Person(sim.Component):
    def process(self):
        self.enter(q)
        yield self.hold(15)
        self.leave(q)

env = sim.Environment(trace=True)

q = sim.Queue('q')
for i in range(15):
    Person(name='{0:02d}'.format(i), at=i)

do_animation()

env.run()
```

All animation initialization is in `do_animation`, where first 10 rectangle and text `Animate` objects are created. These are classes that are inherited from `sim.Animate`.

The `AnimateWaitSquare` defines a red rectangle at a specific position in the `sim.Animate.__init__()` call. Note that normally these squares should be displayed. But, here we have overridden the `visible` method. If there is no *i*-th component in the `q`, the square will be made invisible. Otherwise, it is visible.

The `AnimateWaitText` is more or less defined in a similar way. It defines a text in white at a specific position. Only the `text` method is overridden and will return the name of the *i*-th component in the queue, if any. Otherwise the null string will be returned.

The length of the queue `q` could be defined also by subclassing `sim.Animate`, but here we just make a direct instance of `Animate` with the null string as the text to be displayed. And then we immediately override the `text` method with a lambda function. Note that in this case, `self` is not available!

10.3 Video production and snapshots

An animation can be recorded as an `.mp4` video by specifying `video=filename` in the call to `animation_parameters`. The effect is that 30 time per second (scaled animation time) a frame is written. In this case, the animation does not run synchronized with the wall clock anymore. Depending on the complexity of the animation, the simulation might run faster or slower than real time. Other than with an ordinary animation, frames are never skipped.

Once control is given back to main, the `.mp4` file is closed.

Salabim also supports taking a snapshot of an animated screen with `Environment.snapshot()`.

READING ITEMS FROM A FILE

Salabim models often need to read input values from a file.

As these data are quite often quite unstructured, using the standard read facilities of text files can be rather tedious.

Therefore, salabim offers the possibility to read a file item by item.

Example usage

```
with sim.ItemFile(filename) as f:
    run_length = f.read_item_float()
    run_name = f.read_item()
```

Or (not recommended)

```
f = sim.InputFile(filename)
run_length = f.read_item_float()
run_name = f.read_item()
f.close()
```

The input file is read per item, where blanks, linefeeds, tabs are treated as separators. Any text on a line after a # character is ignored. Any text within curly brackets ({}) is ignored (and treated as an item separator). Note that this strictly on a per line basis. If a blank is to be included in a string, use single or double quotes. The recommended way to end a list of values is //

So, a typical input file is

```
# Typical experiment file for a salabim model
1000          # run length
'Experiment 2.0' # run name
```

```
#Model          speed color
#-----
'Peugeot 208'      150 red
'Peugeot 3008'     175 orange
'Citroen C5'       160 blue
'Renault "Twingo"' 165 green
//

France {country} Europe {continent}

#end of file
```

Instead of the filename as a parameter to `ItemFile`, also a string with the content can be given. In that case, at least one linefeed has to be in the content string. Usually, the content string will be triple quoted. This can be very useful during testing as the input is part of the source file and not external, e.g.

```
test_input = '''
one two
three four
five
'''
with sim.ItemFile(test_input) as f:
    while True:
        try:
            print(f.read_item())
        except EOFError:
            break
```

12.1 Animation

```
class salabim.Animate(parent=None, layer=0, keep=True, visible=True, screen_coordinates=False, t0=None, x0=0, y0=0, offsetx0=0, offsety0=0,
    circle0=None, line0=None, polygon0=None, rectangle0=None, points0=None, image=None, text=None, font="", anchor='c',
    as_points=False, max_lines=0, text_anchor=None, linewidth0=None, fillcolor0=None, linecolor0='fg', textcolor0='fg', angle0=0,
    fontsize0=20, width0=None, t1=None, x1=None, y1=None, offsetx1=None, offsety1=None, circle1=None, line1=None, poly-
    gon1=None, rectangle1=None, points1=None, linewidth1=None, fillcolor1=None, linecolor1=None, textcolor1=None, angle1=None,
    fontsize1=None, width1=None, xy_anchor="", env=None)
```

defines an animation object

Parameters

- **parent** ([Component](#)) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent
- **layer** (*int*) – layer value lower layer values are on top of higher layer values (default 0)
- **keep** (*bool*) – keep if False, animation object is hidden after t1, shown otherwise (default True)
- **visible** (*bool*) – visible if False, animation object is not shown, shown otherwise (default True)
- **screen_coordinates** (*bool*) – use screen_coordinates normally, the scale parameters are use for positioning and scaling objects. if True, screen_coordinates will be used instead.
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y (i.e. x0, y0, x1 and y1) are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n new c e sw s se
If “”, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **t0** (*float*) – time of start of the animation (default: now)

- **x0** (*float*) – x-coordinate of the origin at time t0 (default 0)
- **y0** (*float*) – y-coordinate of the origin at time t0 (default 0)
- **offsetx0** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the object at time t0 (default 0)
- **offsety0** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the object at time t0 (default 0)
- **circle0** (*float or tuple/list*) – the circle spec of the circle at time t0 - radius - one item tuple/list containing the radius - five items tuple/list containing radius, radius1, arc_angle0, arc_angle1 and draw_arc (see class AnimateCircle for details)
- **line0** (*tuple*) – the line(s) (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) at time t0
- **polygon0** (*tuple*) – the polygon (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) at time t0 the last point will be auto connected to the start
- **rectangle0** (*tuple*) – the rectangle (xlowerleft,ylowerleft,xupperright,yupperright) at time t0
- **image** (*str or PIL image*) – the image to be displayed This may be either a filename or a PIL image
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the first -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **anchor** (*str*) – anchor position specifies where to put images or texts relative to the anchor point possible values are (default: c): nw n new c
e sw s se
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), lines in line, rectangle and polygon are drawn if True, only the end points are shown in line, rectangle and polygon
- **linewidth0** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour at time t0 (default 0 for polygon, rectangle and circle, 1 for line) if as_point is True, the default size is 3
- **fillcolor0** (*colorspec*) – color of interior at time t0 (default foreground_color) if as_points is True, fillcolor0 defaults to transparent
- **linecolor0** (*colorspec*) – color of the contour at time t0 (default foreground_color)
- **textcolor0** (*colorspec*) – color of the text at time 0 (default foreground_color)
- **angle0** (*float*) – angle of the polygon at time t0 (in degrees) (default 0)
- **fontsize0** (*float*) – fontsize of text at time t0 (default 20)
- **width0** (*float*) – width of the image to be displayed at time t0 if omitted or None, no scaling
- **t1** (*float*) – time of end of the animation (default inf) if keep=True, the animation will continue (frozen) after t1

- **x1** (*float*) – x-coordinate of the origin at time t1 (default x0)
- **y1** (*float*) – y-coordinate of the origin at time t1 (default y0)
- **offsetx1** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the object at time t1 (default offsetx0)
- **offsety1** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the object at time t1 (default offsety0)
- **circle1** (*float or tuple/list*) – the circle spec of the circle at time t1 (default: circle0) - radius - one item tuple/list containing the radius - five items tuple/list containing radius, radius1, arc_angle0, arc_angle1 and draw_arc (see class AnimateCircle for details)
- **line1** (*tuple*) – the line(s) at time t1 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default: line0) should have the same number of elements as line0
- **polygon1** (*tuple*) – the polygon at time t1 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default: polygon0) should have the same number of elements as polygon0
- **rectangle1** (*tuple*) – the rectangle (xlowerleft,ylowerleft,xupperright,yupperright) at time t1 (default: rectangle0)
- **linewidth1** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour at time t1 (default linewidth0)
- **fillcolor1** (*colorspec*) – color of interior at time t1 (default fillcolor0)
- **linecolor1** (*colorspec*) – color of the contour at time t1 (default linecolor0)
- **textcolor1** (*colorspec*) – color of text at time t1 (default textcolor0)
- **angle1** (*float*) – angle of the polygon at time t1 (in degrees) (default angle0)
- **fontsize1** (*float*) – fontsize of text at time t1 (default: fontsize0)
- **width1** (*float*) – width of the image to be displayed at time t1 (default: width0)

Note:

one (and only one) of the following parameters is required:

- circle0
- image
- line0
- polygon0
- rectangle0
- text

colors may be specified as a

- valid colorname
- hexname
- tuple (R,G,B) or (R,G,B,A)
- 'fg' or 'bg'

colornames may contain an additional alpha, like `red#7f` hexnames may be either 3 of 4 bytes long (`#rrggbb` or `#rrggbbaa`) both colornames and hexnames may be given as a tuple with an additional alpha between 0 and 255, e.g. `(255, 0, 255, 128)`, `('red',127)` or `('ff00ff', 128)` fg is the foreground color bg is the background color

Permitted parameters

| parameter | circle | image | line | polygon | rectangle | text |
|-----------------------|--------|-------|------|---------|-----------|------|
| parent | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| layer | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| keep | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| screen_coordinates | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| xy_anchor | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| t0,t1 | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| x0,x1 | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| y0,y1 | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| offsetx0,offsetx1 | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| offsety0,offsety1 | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| circle0,circle1 | • | | | | | |
| image | | • | | | | |
| line0,line1 | | | • | | | |
| polygon0,polygon1 | | | | • | | |
| rectangle0,rectangle1 | | | | | | |

anchor (*t=None*)

anchor of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **anchor** – default behaviour: self.anchor0 (anchor given at creation or update)

Return type str

angle (*t=None*)

angle of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **angle** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.angle0 and self.angle1

Return type float

as_points (*t=None*)

as_points of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **as_points** – default behaviour: self.as_points (text given at creation or update)

Return type bool

circle (*t=None*)

circle of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **circle** – either - radius - one item tuple/list containing the radius - five items tuple/list containing radius, radius1, arc_angle0, arc_angle1 and draw_arc (see class AnimateCircle for details) default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.circle0 and self.circle1

Return type float or tuple/list

fillcolor (*t=None*)

fillcolor of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **fillcolor** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.fillcolor0 and self.fillcolor1

Return type colorspec

font (*t=None*)

font of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **font** – default behaviour: self.font0 (font given at creation or update)

Return type str

fontsize (*t=None*)

fontsize of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **fontsize** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.fontsize0 and self.fontsize1

Return type float

image (*t=None*)

image of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **image** – use function spec_to_image to load a file default behaviour: self.image0 (image given at creation or update)

Return type PIL.Image.Image

layer (*t=None*)

layer of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **layer** – default behaviour: self.layer0 (layer given at creation or update)

Return type int or float

line (*t=None*)

line of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **line** – series of x- and y-coordinates (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.line0 and self.line1

Return type tuple

linecolor (*t=None*)

linecolor of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **linecolor** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between `self.linecolor0` and `self.linecolor1`

Return type `colorspec`

linewidth (*t=None*)

linewidth of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **linewidth** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between `self.linewidth0` and `self.linewidth1`

Return type `float`

max_lines (*t=None*)

maximum number of lines to be displayed of text. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **max_lines** – default behaviour: `self.max_lines0` (`max_lines` given at creation or update)

Return type `int`

offsetx (*t=None*)

offsetx of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **offsetx** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between `self.offsetx0` and `self.offsetx1`

Return type `float`

offsety (*t=None*)

offsety of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **offsety** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between `self.offsety0` and `self.offsety1`

Return type `float`

points (*t=None*)

points of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **points** – series of x- and y-coordinates (`xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...`) default behaviour: linear interpolation between `self.points0` and `self.points1`

Return type tuple

polygon (*t=None*)

polygon of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **polygon** – series of x- and y-coordinates describing the polygon (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.polygon0 and self.polygon1

Return type tuple

rectangle (*t=None*)

rectangle of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **rectangle** – (xlowerleft,ylowerlef,xupperright,yupperright) default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.rectangle0 and self.rectangle1

Return type tuple

remove ()

removes the animation object from the animation queue, so effectively ending this animation.

Note: The animation object might be still updated, if required

text (*t=None*)

text of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **text** – default behaviour: self.text0 (text given at creation or update)

Return type str

text_anchor (*t=None*)

text_anchor of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **text_anchor** – default behaviour: self.text_anchor0 (text_anchor given at creation or update)

Return type str

textcolor (*t=None*)

textcolor of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **textcolor** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.textcolor0 and self.textcolor1

Return type colorspec

update (*layer=None, keep=None, visible=None, t0=None, x0=None, y0=None, offsetx0=None, offsety0=None, circle0=None, line0=None, polygon0=None, rectangle0=None, points0=None, image=None, text=None, font=None, anchor=None, max_lines=None, text_anchor=None, linewidth0=None, fillcolor0=None, linecolor0=None, textcolor0=None, angle0=None, fontsize0=None, width0=None, as_points=None, t1=None, x1=None, y1=None, offsetx1=None, offsety1=None, circle1=None, line1=None, polygon1=None, rectangle1=None, points1=None, linewidth1=None, fillcolor1=None, linecolor1=None, textcolor1=None, angle1=None, fontsize1=None, width1=None, xy_anchor=None*)

updates an animation object

Parameters

- **layer** (*int*) – layer value lower layer values are on top of higher layer values (default see below)
- **keep** (*bool*) – keep if False, animation object is hidden after t1, shown otherwise (default see below)
- **visible** (*bool*) – visible if False, animation object is not shown, shown otherwise (default see below)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y (i.e. x0, y0, x1 and y1) are relative to possible values are: nw n new c e sw s se If ‘’, the given coordinates are used untranslated default see below
- **t0** (*float*) – time of start of the animation (default: now)
- **x0** (*float*) – x-coordinate of the origin at time t0 (default see below)
- **y0** (*float*) – y-coordinate of the origin at time t0 (default see below)
- **offsetx0** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the object at time t0 (default see below)
- **offsety0** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the object at time t0 (default see below)
- **circle0** (*float or tuple/list*) – the circle spec of the circle at time t0 - radius - one item tuple/list containing the radius - five items tuple/list containing radius, radius1, arc_angle0, arc_angle1 and draw_arc (see class AnimateCircle for details)
- **line0** (*tuple*) – the line(s) at time t0 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default see below)
- **polygon0** (*tuple*) – the polygon at time t0 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) the last point will be auto connected to the start (default see below)
- **rectangle0** (*tuple*) – the rectangle at time t0 (xlowerleft,ylowerlef,xupperright,yupperright) (default see below)
- **points0** (*tuple*) – the points(s) at time t0 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default see below)

- **image** (*str or PIL image*) – the image to be displayed This may be either a filename or a PIL image (default see below)
- **text** (*str*) – the text to be displayed (default see below)
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. (default see below) If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the first -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **anchor** (*str*) – anchor position specifies where to put images or texts relative to the anchor point (default see below) possible values are (default: c): nw n new c e sw s se
- **linewidth0** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour at time t0 (default see below)
- **fillcolor0** (*colourspec*) – color of interior/text at time t0 (default see below)
- **linecolor0** (*colourspec*) – color of the contour at time t0 (default see below)
- **angle0** (*float*) – angle of the polygon at time t0 (in degrees) (default see below)
- **fontsize0** (*float*) – fontsize of text at time t0 (default see below)
- **width0** (*float*) – width of the image to be displayed at time t0 (default see below) if None, the original width of the image will be used
- **t1** (*float*) – time of end of the animation (default: inf) if keep=True, the animation will continue (frozen) after t1
- **x1** (*float*) – x-coordinate of the origin at time t1 (default x0)
- **y1** (*float*) – y-coordinate of the origin at time t1 (default y0)
- **offsetx1** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the object at time t1 (default offsetx0)
- **offsety1** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the object at time t1 (default offset0)
- **circle1** (*float or tuple/list*) – the circle spec of the circle at time t1 - radius - one item tuple/list containing the radius - five items tuple/list containing radius, radius1, arc_angle0, arc_angle1 and draw_arc (see class AnimateCircle for details)
- **line1** (*tuple*) – the line(s) at time t1 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default: line0) should have the same number of elements as line0
- **polygon1** (*tuple*) – the polygon at time t1 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default: polygon0) should have the same number of elements as polygon0
- **rectangle1** (*tuple*) – the rectangle at time t (xlowerleft,ylowerleft,xupperright,yupperright) (default: rectangle0)
- **points1** (*tuple*) – the points(s) at time t1 (xa,ya,xb,yb,xc,yc, ...) (default: points0) should have the same number of elements as points1
- **linewidth1** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour at time t1 (default linewidth0)

- **fillcolor1** (*colourspec*) – color of interior/text at time t1 (default fillcolor0)
- **linecolor1** (*colourspec*) – color of the contour at time t1 (default linecolor0)
- **angle1** (*float*) – angle of the polygon at time t1 (in degrees) (default angle0)
- **fontsize1** (*float*) – fontsize of text at time t1 (default: fontsize0)
- **width1** (*float*) – width of the image to be displayed at time t1 (default: width0)

Note: The type of the animation cannot be changed with this method. The default value of most of the parameters is the current value (at time now)

visible (*t=None*)

visible attribute of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **visible** – default behaviour: self.visible0 (visible given at creation or update)

Return type bool

width (*t=None*)

width position of an animated image object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **width** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.width0 and self.width1 if None, the original width of the image will be used

Return type float

x (*t=None*)

x-position of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **x** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.x0 and self.x1

Return type float

xy_anchor (*t=None*)

xy_anchor attribute of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters *t* (*float*) – current time

Returns **xy_anchor** – default behaviour: self.xy_anchor0 (xy_anchor given at creation or update)

Return type str

y (*t=None*)

y-position of an animate object. May be overridden.

Parameters **t** (*float*) – current time

Returns **y** – default behaviour: linear interpolation between self.y0 and self.y1

Return type float

class salabim.**AnimateButton** (*x=0, y=0, width=80, height=30, linewidth=0, fillcolor='fg', linecolor='fg', color='bg', text="", font="", fontsize=15, action=None, env=None, xy_anchor='sw'*)

defines a button

Parameters

- **x** (*int*) – x-coordinate of centre of the button in screen coordinates (default 0)
- **y** (*int*) – y-coordinate of centre of the button in screen coordinates (default 0)
- **width** (*int*) – width of button in screen coordinates (default 80)
- **height** (*int*) – height of button in screen coordinates (default 30)
- **linewidth** (*int*) – width of contour in screen coordinates (default 0=no contour)
- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the interior (foreground_color)
- **linecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of contour (default foreground_color)
- **color** (*colourspec*) – color of the text (default background_color)
- **text** (*str or function*) – text of the button (default null string) if text is an argumentless function, this will be called each time; the button is shown/updated
- **font** (*str*) – font of the text (default Helvetica)
- **fontsize** (*int*) – fontsize of the text (default 15)
- **action** (*function*) – action to take when button is pressed executed when the button is pressed (default None) the function should have no arguments
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **env** (*Environment*) – environment where the component is defined if omitted, default_env will be used

Note: On CPython/PyPy platforms, the tkinter functionality is used. On Pythonista, this is emulated by salabim

remove()

removes the button object. the ui object is removed from the ui queue, so effectively ending this ui

class salabim.**AnimateCircle**(*radius=100, radius1=None, arc_angle0=0, arc_angle1=360, draw_arc=False, x=0, y=0, fillcolor='fg', linecolor="", linewidth=1, text="", fontsize=15, textcolor='bg', font="", angle=0, xy_anchor="", layer=0, max_lines=0, offsetx=0, offsety=0, text_anchor='c', text_offsetx=0, text_offsety=0, arg=None, parent=None, visible=True, env=None, screen_coordinates=False*)

Displays a (partial) circle or (partial) ellipse , optionally with a text

Parameters

- **radius** (*float*) – radius of the circle
- **radius1** (*float*) – the ‘height of the ellipse. If None (default), a circle will be drawn
- **arc_angle0** (*float*) – start angle of the circle (default 0)
- **arc_angle1** (*float*) – end angle of the circle (default 360) when `arc_angle1 > arc_angle0 + 360`, only 360 degrees will be shown
- **draw_arc** (*bool*) – if False (default), no arcs will be drawn if True, the arcs from and to the center will be drawn
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If ‘’, the given coordinates are used untranslated The positions corresponds to a full circle even if `arc_angle0` and/or `arc_angle1` are specified.
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the circle (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the circle (default 0)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour default 1
- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of interior (default foreground_color) default transparent
- **linecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the contour (default transparent)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the circle/ellipse and/or text (in degrees) default: 0
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines

- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of textInl specifies where to texts relative to the polygon point possible values are (default: c): nw n ne w c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colorespec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

```
class salabim.AnimateImage (spec="", x=0, y=0, width=None, text="", fontsize=15, textcolor='bg', font="", angle=0, xy_anchor="", layer=0, max_lines=0,
                                offsetx=0, offsety=0, text_anchor='c', text_offsetx=0, text_offsety=0, arg=None, parent=None, anchor='sw', visible=True,
                                env=None, screen_coordinates=False)
```

Displays an image, optionally with a text

Parameters

- **image** (*str*) – image to be displayed if used as function or method or in direct assignment, the image should be a PIL image (most likely via spec_to_image)
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If ‘’, the given coordinates are used untranslated

- **anchor** (*str*) – specifies where the x and refer to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n new c e sw s se
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the circle (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the circle (default 0)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the text (in degrees) default: 0
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of textInl specifies where to texts relative to the polygon point possible values are (default: c): nw n new c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

```
class salabim.AnimateLine (spec=(), x=0, y=0, linecolor='fg', linewidth=1, text="", fontsize=15, textcolor='fg', font="", angle=0, xy_anchor="", layer=0,  
                           max_lines=0, offsetx=0, offsety=0, as_points=False, text_anchor='c', text_offsetx=0, text_offsety=0, arg=None, parent=None,  
                           visible=True, env=None, screen_coordinates=False)
```

Displays a line, optionally with a text

Parameters

- **spec** (*tuple or list*) – should specify x0, y0, x1, y1, ...
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If “”, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the line (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the line (default 0)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour default 1
- **linecolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the contour (default foreground_color)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the line (in degrees) default: 0
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), the contour lines are drawn if True, only the corner points are shown
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of text specifies where to texts relative to the polygon point possible values are (default: c): nw n ne w c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from `queue` and `arg` can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like `lambda: title` - a function with one argument, being the time `t`, like `lambda t: t + 10` - a function with two parameters, being `arg` (as given) and the time, like `lambda comp, t: comp.state` - a method instance `arg` for time `t`, like `self.state`, actually leading to `arg.state(t)` to be called

```
class salabim.AnimateMonitor (monitor, linecolor='fg', linewidth=None, fillcolor='', bordercolor='fg', borderlinewidth=1, titlecolor='fg', nowcolor='red', titlefont='', titlefontsize=15, as_points=None, as_level=None, title=None, x=0, y=0, vertical_offset=2, parent=None, vertical_scale=5, horizontal_scale=None, width=200, height=75, xy_anchor='sw', layer=0)
```

animates a (timestamped) monitor in a panel

Parameters

- **linecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the line or points (default foreground color)
- **linewidth** (*int*) – width of the line or points (default 1 for line, 3 for points)
- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the panel (default transparent)
- **bordercolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the border (default foreground color)
- **borderlinewidth** (*int*) – width of the line around the panel (default 1)
- **nowcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the line indicating now (default red)
- **titlecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the title (default foreground color)
- **titlefont** (*font*) – font of the title (default ‘’)
- **titlefontsize** (*int*) – size of the font of the title (default 15)
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default for timestamped monitors), lines will be drawn between the points if True (default for non timestamped monitors), only the points will be shown
- **as_level** (*bool*) – if True (default for lines), the timestamped monitor is considered to be a level if False (default for points), just the tallied values will be shown, and connected (for lines)
- **title** (*str*) – title to be shown above panel default: name of the monitor
- **x** (*int*) – x-coordinate of panel, relative to `xy_anchor`, default 0
- **y** (*int*) – y-coordinate of panel, relative to `xy_anchor`. default 0
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **vertical_offset** (*float*) –
the vertical position of x within the panel is `vertical_offset + x * vertical_scale` (default 0)

- **vertical_scale** (*float*) – the vertical position of x within the panel is $\text{vertical_offset} + x * \text{vertical_scale}$ (default 5)
- **horizontal_scale** (*float*) – for timescaled monitors the relative horizontal position of time t within the panel is on $t * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 1) for non timescaled monitors, the relative horizontal position of index i within the panel is on $i * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 5)
- **width** (*int*) – width of the panel (default 200)
- **height** (*int*) – height of the panel (default 75)
- **layer** (*int*) – layer (default 0)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

remove ()

removes the animate object and thus closes this animation

class salabim.**AnimatePoints** (*spec=()*, *x=0*, *y=0*, *linecolor='fg'*, *linewidth=4*, *text=""*, *fontsize=15*, *textcolor='fg'*, *font=""*, *angle=0*, *xy_anchor=""*, *layer=0*, *max_lines=0*, *offsetx=0*, *offsety=0*, *text_anchor='c'*, *text_offsetx=0*, *text_offsety=0*, *arg=None*, *parent=None*, *visible=True*, *env=None*, *screen_coordinates=False*)

Displays a series of points, optionally with a text

Parameters

- **spec** (*tuple or list*) – should specify $x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1, \dots$
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If ‘’, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x -coordinate of the points (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y -coordinate of the points (default 0)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – width of the points default 1
- **linecolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the points (default foreground_color)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the points (in degrees) default: 0

- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), the contour lines are drawn if True, only the corner points are shown
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of textInl specifies where to texts relative to the polygon point possible values are (default: c): nw n new c esw s se
- **textcolor** (*colorespec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

class salabim.**AnimatePolygon** (*spec=()*, *x=0*, *y=0*, *fillcolor='fg'*, *linecolor=""*, *linewidth=1*, *text=""*, *fontsize=15*, *textcolor='bg'*, *font=""*, *angle=0*, *xy_anchor=""*, *layer=0*, *max_lines=0*, *offsetx=0*, *offsety=0*, *as_points=False*, *text_anchor='c'*, *text_offsetx=0*, *text_offsety=0*, *arg=None*, *parent=None*, *visible=True*, *env=None*, *screen_coordinates=False*)

Displays a polygon, optionally with a text

Parameters

- **spec** (*tuple or list*) – should specify x0, y0, x1, y1, ...
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)

- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If “”, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the polygon (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the polygon (default 0)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour default 1
- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of interior (default foreground_color) default transparent
- **linecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the contour (default transparent)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the polygon (in degrees) default: 0
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), the contour lines are drawn if True, only the corner points are shown
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of text specifies where to texts relative to the polygon point possible values are (default: c): nw n ne w c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t,

like `self.state`, actually leading to `arg.state(t)` to be called

class `salabim.AnimateQueue` (*queue*, *x*=50, *y*=50, *direction*='w', *max_length*=None, *xy_anchor*='sw', *reverse*=False, *id*=None, *arg*=None, *parent*=None)
Animates the component in a queue.

Parameters

- **queue** (*Queue*) –
- **x** (*float*) – x-position of the first component in the queue default: 50
- **y** (*float*) – y-position of the first component in the queue default: 50
- **direction** (*str*) – if 'w', waiting line runs westwards (i.e. from right to left) if 'n', waiting line runs northwards (i.e. from bottom to top) if 'e', waiting line runs eastwards (i.e. from left to right) (default) if 's', waiting line runs southwards (i.e. from top to bottom)
- **reverse** (*bool*) – if False (default), display in normal order. If True, reversed.
- **max_length** (*int*) – maximum number of components to be displayed
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **id** (*any*) – the animation works by calling the `animation_objects` method of each component, optionally with `id`. By default, this is `self`, but can be overridden, particularly with the queue
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: `self` (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from `queue` and `arg` can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like `lambda: title` - a function with one argument, being the time `t`, like `lambda t: t + 10` - a function with two parameters, being `arg` (as given) and the time, like `lambda comp, t: comp.state` - a method instance `arg` for time `t`, like `self.state`, actually leading to `arg.state(t)` to be called

class `salabim.AnimateRectangle` (*spec*=(), *x*=0, *y*=0, *fillcolor*='fg', *linecolor*="", *linewidth*=1, *text*="", *fontsize*=15, *textcolor*='bg', *font*="", *angle*=0, *xy_anchor*="", *layer*=0, *max_lines*=0, *offsetx*=0, *offsety*=0, *as_points*=False, *text_anchor*='c', *text_offsetx*=0, *text_offsety*=0, *arg*=None, *parent*=None, *visible*=True, *env*=None, *screen_coordinates*=False)

Displays a rectangle, optionally with a text

Parameters

- **spec** (*four item tuple or list*) – should specify xlowerleft, ylowerleft, xupperright, yupperright
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If “”, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the rectangle (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the rectangle (default 0)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – linewidth of the contour default 1
- **fillcolor** (*colorspec*) – color of interior (default foreground_color) default transparent
- **linecolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the contour (default transparent)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the rectangle (in degrees) default: 0
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), the contour lines are drawn if True, only the corner points are shown
- **text** (*str, tuple or list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str or list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial
- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of text\nl specifies where to texts relative to the rectangle point possible values are (default: c): nw n ne w c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **textoffsetx** (*float*) – extra x offset to the text_anchor point
- **textoffsety** (*float*) – extra y offset to the text_anchor point
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

class salabim.**AnimateSlider** (*layer=0, x=0, y=0, width=100, height=20, vmin=0, vmax=10, v=None, resolution=1, linecolor='fg', labelcolor='fg', label="", font="", fontsize=12, action=None, xy_anchor='sw', env=None*)
defines a slider

Parameters

- **x** (*int*) – x-coordinate of centre of the slider in screen coordinates (default 0)
- **y** (*int*) – y-coordinate of centre of the slider in screen coordinates (default 0)
- **vmin** (*float*) – minimum value of the slider (default 0)
- **vmax** (*float*) – maximum value of the slider (default 0)
- **v** (*float*) – initial value of the slider (default 0) should be between vmin and vmax
- **resolution** (*float*) – step size of value (default 1)
- **width** (*float*) – width of slider in screen coordinates (default 100)
- **height** (*float*) – height of slider in screen coordinates (default 20)
- **linewidth** (*float*) – width of contour in screen coordinate (default 0 = no contour)
- **linecolor** (*colorspec*) – color of contour (default foreground_color)
- **labelcolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the label (default foreground_color)
- **label** (*str*) – label if the slider (default null string) if label is an argumentless function, this function will be used to display as label, otherwise the label plus the current value of the slider will be shown
- **font** (*str*) – font of the text (default Helvetica)
- **fontsize** (*int*) – fontsize of the text (default 12)
- **action** (*function*) – function executed when the slider value is changed (default None) the function should one arguments, being the new value if None (default), no action
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se

- **env** (*Environment*) – environment where the component is defined if omitted, `default_env` will be used

Note: The current value of the slider is the `v` attribute of the slider. On CPython/PyPy platforms, the tkinter functionality is used. On Pythonista, this is emulated by salabim

remove ()

removes the slider object The ui object is removed from the ui queue, so effectively ending this ui

v (*value=None*)

value

Parameters **value** (*float*) – new value if omitted, no change

Returns Current value of the slider

Return type float

class salabim.**AnimateText** (*text=""*, *x=0*, *y=0*, *fontsize=15*, *textcolor='fg'*, *font=""*, *text_anchor='sw'*, *angle=0*, *visible=True*, *xy_anchor=""*, *layer=0*, *env=None*, *screen_coordinates=False*, *arg=None*, *parent=None*, *offsetx=0*, *offsety=0*, *max_lines=0*)

Displays a text

Parameters

- **text** (*str*, *tuple* or *list*) – the text to be displayed if text is str, the text may contain linefeeds, which are shown as individual lines if text is tple or list, each item is displayed on a separate line
- **x** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **y** (*float*) – position of anchor point (default 0)
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw) : nw n ne w c e sw s se If ‘’, the given coordinates are used untranslated
- **offsetx** (*float*) – offsets the x-coordinate of the rectangle (default 0)
- **offsety** (*float*) – offsets the y-coordinate of the rectangle (default 0)
- **angle** (*float*) – angle of the text (in degrees) default: 0
- **max_lines** (*int*) – the maximum of lines of text to be displayed if positive, it refers to the first max_lines lines if negative, it refers to the last -max_lines lines if zero (default), all lines will be displayed
- **font** (*str* or *list/tuple*) – font to be used for texts Either a string or a list/tuple of fontnames. If not found, uses calibri or arial

- **text_anchor** (*str*) – anchor position of textInl specifies where to texts relative to the rectangle point possible values are (default: c): nw n ne w c e sw s se
- **textcolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the text (default foreground_color)
- **fontsize** (*float*) – fontsize of text (default 15)
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)
- **parent** (*Component*) – component where this animation object belongs to (default None) if given, the animation object will be removed automatically upon termination of the parent

Note: All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

12.2 Distributions

class salabim._Distribution

bounded_sample (*lowerbound=-inf, upperbound=inf, fail_value=None, number_of_retries=100*)

Parameters

- **lowerbound** (*float*) – sample values < lowerbound will be rejected (at most 100 retries) if omitted, no lowerbound check
- **upperbound** (*float*) – sample values > upperbound will be rejected (at most 100 retries) if omitted, no upperbound check
- **fail_value** (*float*) – value to be used if. after number_of_tries retries, sample is still not within bounds default: lowerbound, if specified, otherwise upperbound
- **number_of_tries** (*int*) – number of tries before fail_value is returned default: 100

Returns Bounded sample of a distribution

Return type depending on distribution type (usually float)

Note: If, after number_of_tries retries, the sampled value is still not within the given bounds, fail_value will be returned Samples that cannot be converted (only possible with Pdf) to float are assumed to be within the bounds.

class salabim.**Beta** (*alpha, beta, randomstream=None*)
 beta distribution

Parameters

- **alpha** (*float*) – alpha shape of the distribution should be >0
- **beta** (*float*) – beta shape of the distribution should be >0
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.**Cdf** (*spec, randomstream=None*)
 Cumulative distribution function

Parameters

- **spec** (*list or tuple*) – list with x-values and corresponding cumulative density (x1,c1,x2,c2, ... xn,cn) Requirements:
 $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n$ $c_1 \leq c_2 \leq \dots \leq c_n$ $c_1 = 0$ $c_n > 0$ all cumulative densities are auto scaled according to c_n , so no need to set c_n to 1 or 100.

- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it defines a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.Constant (*value, randomstream=None*)

constant distribution

Parameters

- **value** (*float*) – value to be returned in sample
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed Note that this is only for compatibility with other distributions

mean()

Returns mean of the distribution (= the specified constant)

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns sample of the distribution (= the specified constant)

Return type float

class salabim.Distribution(*spec*, *randomstream=None*)

Generate a distribution from a string

Parameters

- **spec**(*str*) –
 - string containing a valid salabim distribution, where only the first letters are relevant and casing is not important. Note that Erlang, Cdf, CumPdf and Poisson require at least two letters (Er, Cd, Cu and Po)
 - string containing one float (*c1*), resulting in Constant(*c1*)
 - string containing two floats separated by a comma (*c1,c2*), resulting in a Uniform(*c1,c2*)
 - string containing three floats, separated by commas (*c1,c2,c3*), resulting in a Triangular(*c1,c2,c3*)
- **randomstream**(*randomstream*) – if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: The randomstream in the specifying string is ignored. It is possible to use expressions in the specification, as long as these are valid within the context of the salabim module, which usually implies a global variable of the salabim package.

Examples

Uniform(13) ==> Uniform(13) Uni(12,15) ==> Uniform(12,15) UNIF(12,15) ==> Uniform(12,15) N(12,3) ==> Normal(12,3) Tri(10,20). ==> Triangular(10,20,15) 10. ==> Constant(10) 12,15 ==> Uniform(12,15) (12,15) ==> Uniform(12,15) Exp(a) ==> Exponential(100), provided sim.a=100 E(2) ==> Exponential(2) Er(2,3) ==> Erlang(2,3)

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info(*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters `as_str` (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if `as_str` is True)

Return type str

`sample()`

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type any (usually float)

class `salabim.Erlang` (*shape*, *rate=None*, *scale=None*, *randomstream=None*)
erlang distribution

Parameters

- **shape** (*int*) – shape of the distribution (k) should be >0
- **rate** (*float*) – rate parameter (lambda) if omitted, the scale is used should be >0
- **scale** (*float*) – scale of the distribution (mu) if omitted, the rate is used should be >0
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as `random.Random(12299)` it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: Either rate or scale has to be specified, not both.

`mean()`

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

`print_info` (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters `as_str` (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if `as_str` is True)

Return type str

`sample()`

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.**Exponential** (*mean=None, rate=None, randomstream=None*)
exponential distribution

Parameters

- **mean** (*float*) – mean of the distribution (beta) \n\n if omitted, the rate is used must be >0
- **rate** (*float*) – rate of the distribution (lambda) \n\n if omitted, the mean is used must be >0
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: Either mean or rate has to be specified, not both

mean ()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample ()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.**Gamma** (*shape, scale=None, rate=None, randomstream=None*)
gamma distribution

Parameters

- **shape** (*float*) – shape of the distribution (k) should be >0
- **scale** (*float*) – scale of the distribution (teta) should be >0

- **rate** (*float*) – rate of the distribution (beta) should be >0
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: Either scale or rate has to be specified, not both.

mean ()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample ()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.**Normal** (*mean, standard_deviation=None, coefficient_of_variation=None, use_gauss=False, randomstream=None*)
normal distribution

Parameters

- **mean** (*float*) – mean of the distribution
- **standard_deviation** (*float*) – standard deviation of the distribution if omitted, coefficient_of_variation, is used to specify the variation if neither standard_deviation nor coefficient_of_variation is given, 0 is used, thus effectively a constant distribution must be >=0
- **coefficient_of_variation** (*float*) – coefficient of variation of the distribution if omitted, standard_deviation is used to specify variation the resulting standard_deviation must be >=0
- **use_gauss** (*bool*) – if False (default), use the random.normalvariate method if True, use the random.gauss method the documentation for random states that the gauss method should be slightly faster, although that statement is doubtful.

- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.**Pdf** (*spec, probabilities=None, randomstream=None*)

Probability distribution function

Parameters

- **spec** (*list or tuple*) – either
 - if no probabilities specified: list with x-values and corresponding probability ($x_0, p_0, x_1, p_1, \dots, x_n, p_n$)
 - if probabilities is specified: list with x-values
- **probabilities** (*list, tuple or float*) – if omitted, spec contains the probabilities the list (p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n) contains the probabilities of the corresponding x-values from spec. alternatively, if a float is given (e.g. 1), all x-values have equal probability. The value is not important.
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: $p_0+p_1+\dots+p_n>0$ all densities are auto scaled according to the sum of p_0 to p_n , so no need to have p_0 to p_n add up to 1 or 100. The x-values can be any type. If it is a salabim distribution, not the distribution, but a sample will be returned when calling sample.

mean()

Returns mean of the distribution – if the mean can't be calculated (if not all x-values are scalars or distributions), nan will be returned.

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample ()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type any (usually float)

class salabim.Poisson (*mean, randomstream=None*)

Poisson distribution

Parameters

- **mean** (*float*) – mean (lambda) of the distribution
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

Note: The run time of this function increases when mean (lambda) increases. It is not recommended to use mean (lambda) > 100

mean ()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type int

class salabim.Triangular(*low, high=None, mode=None, randomstream=None*)
triangular distribution

Parameters

- **low** (*float*) – lowerbound of the distribution
- **high** (*float*) – upperbound of the distribution if omitted, low will be used, thus effectively a constant distribution high must be \geq low
- **mode** (*float*) – mode of the distribution if omitted, the average of low and high will be used, thus a symmetric triangular distribution mode must be between low and high
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as random.Random(12299) it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)
prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if *as_str* is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class salabim.Uniform(*lowerbound, upperbound=None, randomstream=None*)
uniform distribution

Parameters

- **lowerbound** (*float*) – lowerbound of the distribution

- **upperbound** (*float*) – upperbound of the distribution if omitted, lowerbound will be used must be \geq lowerbound
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as `random.Random(12299)` it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

sample()

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type float

class `salabim.Weibull` (*scale, shape, randomstream=None*)

weibull distribution

Parameters

- **scale** (*float*) – scale of the distribution (alpha or k)
- **shape** (*float*) – shape of the distribution (beta or lambda) | n! should be >0
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used if used as `random.Random(12299)` it assigns a new stream with the specified seed

mean()

Returns Mean of the distribution

Return type float

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the distribution

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if `as_str` is `True`)

Return type `str`

`sample()`

Returns Sample of the distribution

Return type `float`

12.3 Component

class `salabim.Component` (*name=None, at=None, delay=None, urgent=None, process=None, suppress_trace=False, suppress_pause_at_step=False, mode=None, env=None, **kwargs*)

Component object

A salabim component is used as component (primarily for queueing) or as a component with a process Usually, a component will be defined as a subclass of `Component`.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the component. if the name ends with a period (`.`), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)
- **at** (*float*) – schedule time if omitted, now is used
- **delay** (*float*) – schedule with a delay if omitted, no delay
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if `False` (default), the component will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if `True`, the component will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time
- **process** (*str*) – name of process to be started. if `None` (default), it will try to start `self.process()` if ‘’, no process will be started even if `self.process()` exists, i.e. become a data component. note that the function *must* be a generator, i.e. contains at least one `yield`.
- **suppress_trace** (*bool*) – `suppress_trace` indicator if `True`, this component will be excluded from the trace If `False` (default), the component will be traced Can be queried or set later with the `suppress_trace` method.
- **suppress_pause_at_step** (*bool*) – `suppress_pause_at_step` indicator if `True`, if this component becomes current, do not pause when stepping If `False` (default), the component will be paused when stepping Can be queried or set later with the `suppress_pause_at_step` method.
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if omitted, the mode will be `None`. also `mode_time` will be set to now.
- **env** (`Environment`) – environment where the component is defined if omitted, `default_env` will be used

activate (*at=None, delay=0, urgent=False, process=None, keep_request=False, keep_wait=False, mode=None, **kwargs*)

activate component

Parameters

- **at** (*float*) – schedule time if omitted, now is used inf is allowed
- **delay** (*float*) – schedule with a delay if omitted, no delay
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if False (default), the component will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if True, the component will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time
- **process** (*str*) – name of process to be started. if None (default), process will not be changed if the component is a data component, the generator function process will be used as the default process. note that the function *must* be a generator, i.e. contains at least one yield.
- **keep_request** (*bool*) – this affects only components that are requesting. if True, the requests will be kept and thus the status will remain requesting if False (the default), the request(s) will be canceled and the status will become scheduled
- **keep_wait** (*bool*) – this affects only components that are waiting. if True, the waits will be kept and thus the status will remain waiting if False (the default), the wait(s) will be canceled and the status will become scheduled
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in the trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: if to be applied to the current component, use `yield self.activate()`. if both at and delay are specified, the component becomes current at the sum of the two values.

animation_objects (*id*)

defines how to display a component in AnimateQueue

Parameters **id** (*any*) – id as given by AnimateQueue. Note that by default this the reference to the AnimateQueue object.

Returns **size_x** : how much to displace the next component in x-direction, if applicable **size_y** : how much to displace the next component in y-direction, if applicable **animation objects** : instances of Animate class default behaviour: square of size 40 (displacements 50), with the sequence number centered.

Return type List or tuple containing

Note: If you override this method, be sure to use the same header, either with or without the id parameter.

base_name ()

Returns base name of the component (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

cancel (*mode=None*)

cancel component (makes the component data)

Parameters **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged.
also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: if to be used for the current component, use `yield self.cancel()`.

claimed_quantity (*resource*)

Parameters **resource** (*Resource*) – resource to be queried

Returns the claimed quantity from a resource – if the resource is not claimed, 0 will be returned

Return type float or int

claimed_resources ()

Returns list of claimed resources

Return type list

count (*q=None*)

queue count

Parameters **q** (*Queue*) – queue to check or if omitted, the number of queues where the component is in

Returns 1 if component is in q, 0 otherwise – if q is omitted, the number of queues where the component is in

Return type int

creation_time ()

Returns time the component was created

Return type float

deregister (*registry*)

deregisters the component in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of registered components

Returns `component` (self)

Return type *Component*

enter (*q*)

enters a queue at the tail

Parameters **q** (*Queue*) – queue to enter

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of the tail component of the queue, if any or 0 if queue is empty

enter_at_head (*q*)

enters a queue at the head

Parameters **q** (*Queue*) – queue to enter

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of the head component of the queue, if any or 0 if queue is empty

enter_behind (*q, poscomponent*)

enters a queue behind a component

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to enter
- **poscomponent** (*Component*) – component to be entered behind

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of poscomponent

enter_in_front_of (*q, poscomponent*)

enters a queue in front of a component

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to enter
- **poscomponent** (*Component*) – component to be entered in front of

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of poscomponent

enter_sorted (*q, priority*)

enters a queue, according to the priority

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to enter
 - **priority** (*type that can be compared with other priorities in the queue*) – priority in the queue
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Note: The component is placed just before the first component with a priority > given priority

enter_time (*q*)

Parameters **q** (*Queue*) – queue where component belongs to

Returns time the component entered the queue

Return type float

failed ()

Returns

- **True**, if the latest request/wait has failed (either by timeout or external) (*bool*)
- *False*, otherwise

hold (*duration=None, till=None, urgent=False, mode=None*)

hold the component

Parameters

- **duration** (*float*) – specifies the duration if omitted, 0 is used inf is allowed
- **till** (*float*) – specifies at what time the component will become current if omitted, now is used inf is allowed
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if False (default), the component will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if True, the component will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: if to be used for the current component, use `yield self.hold(...)`.

if both duration and till are specified, the component will become current at the sum of these two.

index(*q*)

Parameters *q* ([Queue](#)) – queue to be queried

Returns **index of component in *q*** – if component belongs to *q* -1 if component does not belong to *q*

Return type int

interrupt(*mode=None*)

interrupt the component

Parameters **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing is specified, the mode will be unchanged.
also `mode_time` will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: Cannot be applied on the current component. Use `resume()` to resume

interrupt_level()

returns interrupt level of an interrupted component non interrupted components return 0

interrupted_status()

returns the original status of an interrupted component

possible values are

- passive
- scheduled
- requesting
- waiting
- standby

iscurrent()

Returns **True if status is current, False otherwise**

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

isdata()

Returns True if status is data, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

isinterrupted()

Returns True if status is interrupted, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True

ispassive()

Returns True if status is passive, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

isrequesting()

Returns True if status is requesting, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

isscheduled()

Returns True if status is scheduled, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

isstandby ()

Returns True if status is standby, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True

iswaiting ()

Returns True if status is waiting, False otherwise

Return type bool

Note: Be sure to always include the parentheses, otherwise the result will be always True!

leave (*q=None*)

leave queue

Parameters *q* ([Queue](#)) – queue to leave

Note: statistics are updated accordingly

mode (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*any, str recommended*) – new mode if omitted, no change mode_time will be set if a new mode is specified

Returns **mode of the component** – the mode is useful for tracing and animations. Usually the mode will be set in a call to passivate, hold, activate, request or standby.

Return type any, usually str

mode_time()

Returns time the component got it's latest mode – For a new component this is the time the component was created. this function is particularly useful for animations.

Return type float

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the component if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the component

Return type str

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed

passivate (*mode=None*)

passivate the component

Parameters **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing is specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: if to be used for the current component (nearly always the case), use `yield self.passivate()`.

predecessor (*q*)

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue where the component belongs to
- **Returns** (*Component*) – predecessor of the component in the queue if component is not at the head. returns None if component is at the head.

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the component

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if as_str is True)

Return type str

priority (*q, priority=None*)

gets/sets the priority of a component in a queue

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue where the component belongs to
- **priority** (*type that can be compared with other priorities in the queue*) – priority in queue if omitted, no change

Returns the priority of the component in the queue

Return type float

Note: if you change the priority, the order of the queue may change

queues ()

Returns set of queues where the component belongs to

Return type *set*

register (*registry*)

registers the component in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects

Returns component (self)

Return type *Component*

Note: Use Component.deregister if component does not longer need to be registered.

release (**args*)

release a quantity from a resource or resources

Parameters **args** (*sequence of items, where each items can be*) –

- a resources, where quantity=current claimed quantity
- a tuple/list containing a resource and the quantity to be released

Note: It is not possible to release from an anonymous resource, this way. Use `Resource.release()` in that case.

Example

`yield self.request(r1,(r2,2),(r3,3,100))` → requests 1 from r1, 2 from r2 and 3 from r3 with priority 100

`c1.release` → releases 1 from r1, 2 from r2 and 3 from r3

`yield self.request(r1,(r2,2),(r3,3,100)) c1.release((r2,1))` → releases 1 from r2

`yield self.request(r1,(r2,2),(r3,3,100)) c1.release((r2,1),r3)` → releases 2 from r2, and 3 from r3

remaining_duration (*value=None, urgent=False*)

Parameters

- **value** (*float*) – set the remaining_duration The action depends on the status where the component is in: - passive: the remaining duration is update according to the given value - standby and current: not allowed - scheduled: the component is rescheduled according to the given value - waiting or requesting: the fail_at is set according to the given value - interrupted: the remaining_duration is updated according to the given value
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if False (default), the component will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if True, the component will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time

Returns remaining duration – if passive, remaining time at time of passivate if scheduled, remaining time till scheduled time if requesting or waiting, time till fail_at time else: 0

Return type float

Note: This method is useful for interrupting a process and then resuming it, after some (breakdown) time

request (**args, **kwargs*)

request from a resource or resources

Parameters

- **args** (*sequence of items where each item can be:*) –
 - resource, where quantity=1, priority=tail of requesters queue

- **tuples/list containing a resource, a quantity and optionally a priority.** if the priority is not specified, the request for the resource be added to the tail of the requesters queue
- **fail_at** (*float*) – time out if the request is not honored before fail_at, the request will be cancelled and the parameter failed will be set. if not specified, the request will not time out.
- **fail_delay** (*float*) – time out if the request is not honored before now+fail_delay, the request will be cancelled and the parameter failed will be set. if not specified, the request will not time out.
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: Not allowed for data components or main.

If to be used for the current component (which will be nearly always the case), use `yield self.request(...)`.

If the same resource is specified more that once, the quantities are summed

The requested quantity may exceed the current capacity of a resource

The parameter failed will be reset by a calling request or wait

Example

```
yield self.request(r1) -> requests 1 from r1
yield self.request(r1,r2) -> requests 1 from r1 and 1 from r2
yield self.request(r1,(r2,2),(r3,3,100)) -> requests 1 from r1, 2 from r2 and 3 from r3 with priority 100
yield self.request((r1,1),(r2,2)) -> requests 1 from r1, 2 from r2
```

requested_quantity (*resource*)

Parameters **resource** (*Resoure*) – resource to be queried

Returns the requested (not yet honored) quantity from a resource – if there is no request for the resource, 0 will be returned

Return type float or int

requested_resources ()

Returns list of requested resources

Return type list

resume (*all=False, mode=None, urgent=False*)

resumes an interrupted component

Parameters

- **all** (*bool*) – if True, the component returns to the original status, regardless of the number of interrupt levels if False (default), the interrupt level will be decremented and if the level reaches 0, the component will return to the original status.
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing is specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if False (default), the component will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if True, the component will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time

Note: Can be only applied to interrupted components.

running_process ()

Returns name of the running process – if data component, None

Return type str

scheduled_time ()

Returns time the component scheduled for, if it is scheduled – returns inf otherwise

Return type float

sequence_number ()

Returns sequence_number of the component – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dotcomma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type int

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a component.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments will be passed

Example

```
class Car(sim.Component):
```

```
    def setup(self, color): self.color = color
```

```
    def process(self): ...
```

```
redcar=Car(color='red') bluecar=Car(color='blue')
```

```
standby (mode=None)
```

puts the component in standby mode

Parameters **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged.
also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: Not allowed for data components or main.

if to be used for the current component (which will be nearly always the case), use `yield self.standby()`.

```
status ()
```

returns the status of a component

possible values are

- data
- passive
- scheduled
- requesting
- waiting
- current
- standby
- interrupted

```
successor (q)
```

Parameters **q** (*Queue*) – queue where the component belongs to

Returns the successor of the component in the queue – if component is not at the tail. returns None if component is at the tail.

Return type *Component*

suppress_pause_at_step (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new suppress_trace value if omitted, no change

Returns **suppress_pause_at_step** – components with the suppress_pause_at_step of True, will be ignored in a step

Return type *bool*

suppress_trace (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new suppress_trace value if omitted, no change

Returns **suppress_trace** – components with the suppress_status of True, will be ignored in the trace

Return type *bool*

wait (**args, **kwargs*)

wait for any or all of the given state values are met

Parameters

- **args** (*sequence of items, where each item can be*) –
 - a state, where value=True, priority=tail of waiters queue)
 - a **tuple/list containing** state, a value and optionally a priority. if the priority is not specified, this component will be added to the tail of the waiters queue
- **fail_at** (*float*) – time out if the wait is not honored before fail_at, the wait will be cancelled and the parameter failed will be set. if not specified, the wait will not time out.
- **fail_delay** (*float*) – time out if the wait is not honored before now+fail_delay, the request will be cancelled and the parameter failed will be set. if not specified, the wait will not time out.
- **all** (*bool*) – if False (default), continue, if any of the given state/values is met if True, continue if all of the given state/values are met
- **mode** (*str preferred*) – mode will be used in trace and can be used in animations if nothing specified, the mode will be unchanged. also mode_time will be set to now, if mode is set.

Note: Not allowed for data components or main.

If to be used for the current component (which will be nearly always the case), use `yield self.wait(...)`.

It is allowed to wait for more than one value of a state the parameter failed will be reset by a calling wait

If you want to check for all components to meet a value (and clause), use `Component.wait(..., all=True)`

The value may be specified in three different ways:

- constant, that value is just compared to `state.value()` `yield self.wait((light,'red'))`
 - an expression, containing one or more `$`-signs the `$` is replaced by `state.value()`, each time the condition is tested. `self` refers to the component under test, `state` refers to the state under test. `yield self.wait((light,'$ in ("red","yellow")'))` `yield self.wait((level,'$<30'))`
 - a function. In that case the parameter should be a function that should accept three arguments: the value, the component under test and the state under test. usually the function will be a lambda function, but that's not a requirement. `yield self.wait((light,lambda t, comp, state: t in ('red','yellow')))` `yield self.wait((level,lambda t, comp, state: t < 30))`
-

Example

```
yield self.wait(s1) -> waits for s1.value()==True
yield self.wait(s1,s2) -> waits for s1.value()==True or s2.value()==True
yield self.wait((s1,False,100),(s2,'on'),s3) -> waits for s1.value()==False or s2.value=='on' or s3.value()==True
s1 is at the tail of waiters, because of the set priority
yield self.wait(s1,s2,all=True) -> waits for s1.value()==True and s2.value()==True
```

12.4 Environment

class `salabim.Environment` (*trace=False, random_seed=None, name=None, print_trace_header=True, isdefault_env=True, *args, **kwargs*)
environment object

Parameters

- **trace** (*bool*) – defines whether to trace or not if omitted, `False`
- **random_seed** (*hashable object, usually int*) – the seed for random, equivalent to `random.seed()` if `*`, a purely random value (based on the current time) will be used (not reproducible) if the null string (`''`), no action on random is taken if `None` (the default), 1234567 will be used.
- **name** (*str*) – name of the environment if the name ends with a period (`.`), auto serializing will be applied if the name ends with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class (lowercased) or 'default environment' if `isdefault_env` is `True`.

- **print_trace_header** (*bool*) – if True (default) print a (two line) header line as a legend if False, do not print a header note that the header is only printed if trace=True
- **isdefault_env** (*bool*) – if True (default), this environment becomes the default environment if False, this environment will not be the default environment if omitted, this environment becomes the default environment

Note: The trace may be switched on/off later with trace The seed may be later set with random_seed() Initially, the random stream will be seeded with the value 1234567. If required to be purely, not not reproducible, values, use random_seed='*'.

an_clocktext ()

function to initialize the system clocktext called by run(), if animation is True. may be overridden to change the standard behaviour.

an_menu_buttons ()

function to initialize the menu buttons may be overridden to change the standard behaviour.

an_modelname ()

function to show the modelname called by run(), if animation is True. may be overridden to change the standard behaviour.

an_synced_buttons ()

function to initialize the synced buttons may be overridden to change the standard behaviour.

an_unsynced_buttons ()

function to initialize the unsynced buttons may be overridden to change the standard behaviour.

animate (*value=None*)

animate indicator

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new animate indicator if not specified, no change

Returns **animate status**

Return type bool

Note: When the run is not issued, no action will be taken.

animation_parameters (*animate=True, synced=None, speed=None, width=None, height=None, x0=None, y0=None, x1=None, background_color=None, foreground_color=None, fps=None, modelname=None, use_toplevel=None, show_fps=None, show_time=None, video=None, video_repeat=None, video_pingpong=None*)

set animation parameters

Parameters

- **animate** (*bool*) – animate indicator if not specified, set animate on
- **synced** (*bool*) – specifies whether animation is synced if omitted, no change. At init of the environment synced will be set to True
- **speed** (*float*) – speed specifies how much faster or slower than real time the animation will run. e.g. if 2, 2 simulation time units will be displayed per second.
- **width** (*int*) – width of the animation in screen coordinates if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, the width will be set to 1024 for CPython and the current screen width for Pythonista.
- **height** (*int*) – height of the animation in screen coordinates if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, the height will be set to 768 for CPython and the current screen height for Pythonista.
- **x0** (*float*) – user x-coordinate of the lower left corner if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, x0 will be set to 0.
- **y0** (*float*) – user y-coordinate of the lower left corner if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, y0 will be set to 0.
- **x1** (*float*) – user x-coordinate of the lower right corner if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, x1 will be set to 1024 for CPython and the current screen width for Pythonista.
- **background_color** (*colourspec*) – color of the background if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, this will be set to white.
- **foreground_color** (*colourspec*) – color of foreground (texts) if omitted and background_color is specified, either white or black will be used, in order to get a good contrast with the background color. if omitted and background_color is also omitted, no change. At init of the environment, this will be set to black.
- **fps** (*float*) – number of frames per second
- **modelname** (*str*) – name of model to be shown in upper left corner, along with text ‘a salabim model’ if omitted, no change. At init of the environment, this will be set to the null string, which implies suppression of this feature.
- **use_toplevel** (*bool*) – if salabim animation is used in parallel with other modules using tkinter, it might be necessary to initialize the root with tkinter.Tk(). In that case, set this parameter to True. if False (default), the root will be initialized with tkinter.Tk()
- **show_fps** (*bool*) – if True, show the number of frames per second if False, do not show the number of frames per second (default)
- **show_time** (*bool*) – if True, show the time (default) if False, do not show the time
- **video** (*str*) – if video is not omitted, a video with the name video will be created. If the video extension is not .gif, a codec may be added by appending a plus sign and the four letter code name, like ‘myvideo.avi+DIVX’. If no codec is given, MP4V will be used.
- **video_repeat** (*int*) – number of times gif should be repeated 0 means infinite at init of the environment video_repeat is 1 this only applies to gif files production.
- **video_pingpong** (*bool*) – if True, all frames will be added reversed at the end of the video (useful for smooth loops) at init of the environment video_pingpong is False this only applies to gif files production.

Note: The y-coordinate of the upper right corner is determined automatically in such a way that the x and scaling are the same.

animation_post_tick(*t*)

called just after the animation object loop. Default behaviour: just return

Parameters *t* (*float*) – Current (animation) time.

animation_pre_tick(*t*)

called just before the animation object loop. Default behaviour: just return

Parameters *t* (*float*) – Current (animation) time.

background_color (*value=None*)

background_color of the animation

Parameters *value* (*colormap*) – new background_color if not specified, no change

Returns background_color of animation

Return type colormap

base_name()

returns the base name of the environment (the name used at initialization)

beep()

Beeps

Works only on Windows and iOS (Pythonista). For other platforms this is just a dummy method.

colorinterpolate(*t, t0, t1, v0, v1*)

does linear interpolation of colormaps

Parameters

- *t* (*float*) – value to be interpolated from
- *t0* (*float*) – $f(t_0)=v_0$
- *t1* (*float*) – $f(t_1)=v_1$
- *v0* (*colormap*) – $f(t_0)=v_0$
- *v1* (*colormap*) – $f(t_1)=v_1$

Returns linear interpolation between *v0* and *v1* based on *t* between *t0* and *t*

Return type colorspec

Note: Note that no extrapolation is done, so if $t < t_0 \implies v_0$ and $t > t_1 \implies v_1$ This function is heavily used during animation

colorspec_to_tuple (*colorspec*)

translates a colorspec to a tuple

Parameters **colorspec** (*tuple, list or str*) – #rrggbb \implies alpha = 255 (rr, gg, bb in hex) #rrggbbaa \implies alpha = aa (rr, gg, bb, aa in hex) colname \implies alpha = 255 (colname, alpha) (r, g, b) \implies alpha = 255 (r, g, b, alpha) 'fg' \implies foreground_color 'bg' \implies background_color

Returns

Return type (r, g, b, a)

current_component ()

Returns the current_component

Return type *Component*

foreground_color (*value=None*)

foreground_color of the animation

Parameters **value** (*colorspec*) – new foreground_color if not specified, no change

Returns foreground_color of animation

Return type colorspec

fps (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*int*) – new fps if not specified, no change

Returns fps

Return type bool

height (*value=None*)

height of the animation in screen coordinates

Parameters **value** (*int*) – new height if not specified, no change

Returns height of animation

Return type int

is_dark (*colorespec*)

Parameters **colorespec** (*colorespec*) – color to check

Returns True, if the colorespec is dark (rather black than white) False, if the colorespec is light (rather white than black if colorespec has alpha=0 (total transparent), the background_color will be tested

Return type bool

main ()

Returns the main component

Return type *Component*

modelname (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new modelname if not specified, no change

Returns modelname

Return type str

Note: If modelname is the null string, nothing will be displayed.

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the environment if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the environment

Return type str

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed

now ()

Returns the current simulation time

Return type float

peek()

returns the time of the next component to become current if there are no more events, peek will return inf Only for advance use with animation / GUI event loops

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the environment

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns **info** (if **as_str** is **True**)

Return type *str*

print_trace (*s1="", s2="", s3="", s4="", s0=None, _optional=False*)

prints a trace line

Parameters

- **s1** (*str*) – part 1 (usually formatted now), padded to 10 characters
- **s2** (*str*) – part 2 (usually only used for the compoent that gets current), padded to 20 characters
- **s3** (*str*) – part 3, padded to 35 characters
- **s4** (*str*) – part 4
- **s0** (*str*) – part 0. if omitted, the line number from where the call was given will be used at the start of the line. Otherwise s0, left padded to 7 characters will be used at the start of the line.
- **_optional** (*bool*) – for internal use only. Do not set this flag!

Note: if self.trace is False, nothing is printed if the current component's suppress_trace is True, nothing is printed

print_trace_header()

print a (two line) header line as a legend also the legend for line numbers will be printed not that the header is only printed if trace=True

reset_now (*new_now=0*)

reset the current time

Parameters **new_now** (*float*) – now will be set to new_now default: 0

Note: Internally, salabim still works with the 'old' time. Only in the interface from and to the user program, a correction will be applied.

The registered time in timestamped monitors will be always is the ‘old’ time. This is only relevant when using the time value in `MonitorTimestamp.xt()` or `MonitorTimestamp.tx()`.

run (*duration=None, till=None, urgent=False*)
start execution of the simulation

Parameters

- **duration** (*float*) – schedule with a delay of duration if 0, now is used
- **till** (*float*) – schedule time if omitted, inf is assumed
- **urgent** (*bool*) – urgency indicator if False (default), main will be scheduled behind all other components scheduled for the same time if True, main will be scheduled in front of all components scheduled for the same time

Note: only issue run() from the main level

scale ()
scale of the animation, i.e. width / (x1 - x0)

Returns *scale*

Return type float

Note: It is not possible to set this value explicitly.

sequence_number ()

Returns **sequence_number of the environment** – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type int

setup ()
called immediately after initialization of an environment.
by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.
only keyword arguments are passed

show_fps (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new show_fps if not specified, no change

Returns show_fps

Return type bool

show_time (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new show_time if not specified, no change

Returns show_time

Return type bool

snapshot (*filename*)

Takes a snapshot of the current animated frame (at time = now()) and saves it to a file

Parameters **filename** (*str*) – file to save the current animated frame to. The following formats are accepted: .PNG, .JPG, .BMP, .GIF and .TIFF are supported. Other formats are not possible. Note that, apart from .JPG files. the background may be semi transparent by setting the alpha value to something else than 255.

speed (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*float*) – new speed if not specified, no change

Returns speed

Return type float

step ()

executes the next step of the future event list

for advanced use with animation / GUI loops

suppress_trace_standby (*value=None*)

suppress_trace_standby status

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new suppress_trace_standby status if omitted, no change

Returns suppress trace status

Return type bool

Note: By default, suppress_trace_standby is True, meaning that standby components are (apart from when they become non standby) suppressed from the trace. If you set suppress_trace_standby to False, standby components are fully traced.

synced (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new synced if not specified, no change

Returns **synced**

Return type **bool**

trace (*value=None*)

trace status

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new trace status if omitted, no change

Returns **trace status**

Return type **bool**

Note: If you want to test the status, always include parentheses, like

```
if env.trace():
```

video (*value=None*)

video name

Parameters **value** (*str, list or tuple*) – new video name if not specified, no change for explanation see `animation_parameters()`

Returns **video**

Return type **str, list or tuple**

Note: If video is the null string, the video (if any) will be closed.

video_close ()

closes the current animation video recording, if any.

video_pingpong (*value=None*)

video pingpong

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – new video pingpong if not specified, no change

Returns **video pingpong**

Return type **bool**

Note: Applies only to gif animation.

video_repeat (*value=None*)

video repeat

Parameters **value** (*int*) – new video repeat if not specified, no change

Returns **video repeat**

Return type **int**

Note: Applies only to gif animation.

width (*value=None*)

width of the animation in screen coordinates

Parameters **value** (*int*) – new width if not specified, no change

Returns **width of animation**

Return type **int**

x0 (*value=None*)

x coordinate of lower left corner of animation

Parameters **value** (*float*) – new x coordinate

Returns **x coordinate of lower left corner of animation**

Return type **float**

x1 (*value=None*)

x coordinate of upper right corner of animation : float

Parameters **value** (*float*) – new x coordinate if not specified, no change

Returns **x coordinate of upper right corner of animation**

Return type **float**

y0 (*value=None*)

y coordinate of lower left corner of animation

Parameters `value` (*float*) – new y coordinate if not specified, no change

Returns y coordinate of lower left corner of animation

Return type float

y1 ()

y coordinate of upper right corner of animation

Returns y coordinate of upper right corner of animation

Return type float

Note: It is not possible to set this value explicitly.

12.5 ItemFile

class `salabim.ItemFile` (*filename*)

define an item file to be used with `read_item`, `read_item_int`, `read_item_float` and `read_item_bool`

Parameters `filename` (*str*) – file to be used for subsequent `read_item`, `read_item_int`, `read_item_float` and `read_item_bool` calls or content to be interpreted used in subsequent `read_item` calls. The content should have at least one linefeed character and will be usually triple quoted.

Note: It is advised to use `ItemFile` with a context manager, like

```
with sim.ItemFile('experiment0.txt') as f:
    run_length = f.read_item_float() |n|
    run_name = f.read_item() |n|
```

Alternatively, the file can be opened and closed explicitly, like

```
f = sim.ItemFile('experiment0.txt')
run_length = f.read_item_float()
run_name = f.read_item()
f.close()
```

Item files consists of individual items separated by whitespace. If a blank is required in an item, use single or double quotes. All text following `#` on a line is ignored. All texts on a line within curly brackets `{ }` is ignored and considered white space.

Example

```
Item1
'Item 2'
    Item3 Item4 # comment
Item5 {five} Item6 {six}
'Double quote' in item'
'Single quote' in item"
True
```

read_item()

read next item from the ItemFile

if the end of file is reached, EOFError is raised

read_item_bool()

read next item from the ItemFile as bool

A value of False (not case sensitive) will return False A value of 0 will return False The null string will return False Any other value will return True

if the end of file is reached, EOFError is raised

read_item_float()

read next item from the ItemFile as float

if the end of file is reached, EOFError is raised

read_item_int()

read next field from the ItemFile as int.

if the end of file is reached, EOFError is raised

12.6 Monitor

class salabim.**Monitor** (*name=None, monitor=True, type=None, merge=None, weighted=False, weight_legend='weight', env=None, *args, **kwargs*)

Monitor object

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the monitor if the name ends with a period (.), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)

- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default), monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled it is possible to control monitoring later, with the monitor method
- **type** (*str*) – specifies how tallied values are to be stored
 - ‘any’ (default) stores values in a list. This allows non numeric values. In calculations the values are forced to a numeric value (0 if not possible)
 - ‘bool’ (True, False) Actually integer $\geq 0 \leq 255$ 1 byte
 - ‘int8’ integer $\geq -128 \leq 127$ 1 byte
 - ‘uint8’ integer $\geq 0 \leq 255$ 1 byte
 - ‘int16’ integer $\geq -32768 \leq 32767$ 2 bytes
 - ‘uint16’ integer $\geq 0 \leq 65535$ 2 bytes
 - ‘int32’ integer $\geq -2147483648 \leq 2147483647$ 4 bytes
 - ‘uint32’ integer $\geq 0 \leq 4294967295$ 4 bytes
 - ‘int64’ integer $\geq -9223372036854775808 \leq 9223372036854775807$ 8 bytes
 - ‘uint64’ integer $\geq 0 \leq 18446744073709551615$ 8 bytes
 - ‘float’ float 8 bytes
- **weighted** (*bool*) – if True, tallied values may be given weight. if False (default), weights are not allowed
- **weight_legend** (*str*) – used in print_statistics and print_histogram to indicate the dimension of weight, e.g. duration or minutes. Default: weight.
- **merge** (*list, tuple or set*) – the monitor will be created by merging the monitors mentioned in the list note that the types of all to be merged monitors should be the same. default: no merge
- **env** (*Environment*) – environment where the monitor is defined if omitted, default_env will be used

animate (**args, **kwargs*)
animates the monitor in a panel

Parameters

- **linecolor** (*colorspec*) – color of the line or points (default foreground color)
- **linewidth** (*int*) – width of the line or points (default 1 for line, 3 for points)

- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the panel (default transparent)
- **bordercolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the border (default foreground color)
- **borderlinewidth** (*int*) – width of the line around the panel (default 1)
- **nowcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the line indicating now (default red)
- **titlecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the title (default foreground color)
- **titlefont** (*font*) – font of the title (default ‘’)
- **titlefontsize** (*int*) – size of the font of the title (default 15)
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False, lines will be drawn between the points if True (default), only the points will be shown
- **as_level** (*bool*) – if True (default for lines), the timestamped monitor is considered to be a level if False (default for points), just the tallied values will be shown, and connected (for lines)
- **title** (*str*) – title to be shown above panel default: name of the monitor
- **x** (*int*) – x-coordinate of panel, relative to xy_anchor, default 0
- **y** (*int*) – y-coordinate of panel, relative to xy_anchor. default 0
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **vertical_offset** (*float*) –
the vertical position of x within the panel is $\text{vertical_offset} + x * \text{vertical_scale}$ (default 0)
- **vertical_scale** (*float*) – the vertical position of x within the panel is $\text{vertical_offset} + x * \text{vertical_scale}$ (default 5)
- **horizontal_scale** (*float*) – for timescaled monitors the relative horizontal position of time t within the panel is on $t * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 1) for non timescaled monitors, the relative horizontal position of index i within the panel is on $i * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 5)
- **width** (*int*) – width of the panel (default 200)
- **height** (*int*) – height of the panel (default 75)
- **layer** (*int*) – layer (default 0)

Returns reference to `AnimateMonitor` object

Return type *AnimateMonitor*

Note: It is recommended to use `sim.AnimateMonitor` instead

All measures are in screen coordinates

base_name ()

Returns base name of the monitor (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

bin_number_of_entries (*lowerbound, upperbound, ex0=False*)

count of the number of tallied values in range (lowerbound,upperbound]

Parameters

- **lowerbound** (*float*) – non inclusive lowerbound
- **upperbound** (*float*) – inclusive upperbound
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns number of values >lowerbound and <=upperbound

Return type int

bin_weight (*lowerbound, upperbound*)

total weight of tallied values in range (lowerbound,upperbound]

Parameters

- **lowerbound** (*float*) – non inclusive lowerbound
- **upperbound** (*float*) – inclusive upperbound
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns total weight of values >lowerbound and <=upperbound

Return type int

deregister (*registry*)

deregisters the monitor in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of registered objects

Returns monitor (self)

Return type *Monitor*

histogram_autoscale (*ex0=False*)

used by histogram_print to autoscale may be overridden.

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **bin_width, lowerbound, number_of_bins**

Return type tuple

maximum (*ex0=False*)

maximum of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **maximum**

Return type float

mean (*ex0=False*)

mean of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **mean**

Return type float

Note: For weighted monitors, the weighted mean is returned

median (*ex0=False*)

median of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **median**

Return type float

Note: For weighted monitors, the weighted median is returned

minimum (*ex0=False*)

minimum of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **minimum**

Return type float

monitor (*value=None*)

enables/disables monitor

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change

Returns **True, if monitoring enabled. False, if not**

Return type bool

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the monitor if omitted, no change

Returns **Name of the monitor**

Return type str

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed

number_of_entries (*ex0=False*)

count of the number of entries

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **number of entries**

Return type int

number_of_entries_zero ()

count of the number of zero entries

Returns **number of zero entries**

Return type int

percentile (*q*, *ex0=False*)
q-th percentile of tallied values

Parameters

- **q** (*float*) – percentage of the distribution values <0 are treated a 0 values >100 are treated as 100
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns q-th percentile 0 returns the minimum, 50 the median and 100 the maximum

Return type float

Note: For weighted monitors, the weighted percentile is returned

print_histogram (*number_of_bins=None*, *lowerbound=None*, *bin_width=None*, *values=False*, *ex0=False*, *as_str=False*)
print monitor statistics and histogram

Parameters

- **number_of_bins** (*int*) – number of bins default: 30 if <0, also the header of the histogram will be suppressed
- **lowerbound** (*float*) – first bin default: 0
- **bin_width** (*float*) – width of the bins default: 1
- **values** (*bool*) – if False (default), bins will be used if True, the individual values will be shown (in the right order). in that case, no cumulative values will be given
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

as_str: bool if False (default), print the histogram if True, return a string containing the histogram

Returns histogram (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

Note: If **number_of_bins**, **lowerbound** and **bin_width** are omitted, the histogram will be autoscaled, with a maximum of 30 classes.

print_histograms (*number_of_bins=None*, *lowerbound=None*, *bin_width=None*, *values=False*, *ex0=False*, *as_str=False*)
print monitor statistics and histogram

Parameters

- **number_of_bins** (*int*) – number of bins default: 30 if <0, also the header of the histogram will be suppressed
- **lowerbound** (*float*) – first bin default: 0
- **bin_width** (*float*) – width of the bins default: 1
- **values** (*bool*) – if False (default), bins will be used if True, the individual values will be shown (in the right order). in that case, no cumulative values will be given
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the histogram if True, return a string containing the histogram

Returns histogram (if **as_str** is **True**)**Return type** str

Note: If **number_of_bins**, **lowerbound** and **bin_width** are omitted, the histogram will be autoscaled, with a maximum of 30 classes. Exactly same functionality as `Monitor.print_histogram()`

print_statistics (*show_header=True, show_legend=True, do_indent=False, as_str=False*)
 print monitor statistics

Parameters

- **show_header** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **show_legend** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **do_indent** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the statistics if True, return a string containing the statistics

Returns statistics (if **as_str** is **True**)**Return type** str

register (*registry*)
 registers the monitor in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects**Returns** monitor (self)

Return type *Monitor*

Note: Use `Monitor.deregister` if monitor does not longer need to be registered.

reset (*monitor=None*)

resets monitor

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change of monitoring state

reset_monitors (*monitor=None*)

resets monitor

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default), monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, the monitor state remains unchanged

Note: Exactly same functionality as `Monitor.reset()`

sequence_number ()

Returns **sequence_number of the monitor** – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type `int`

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a monitor.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments are passed

std (*ex0=False*)

standard deviation of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **standard deviation**

Return type `float`

Note: For weighted monitors, the weighted standard deviation is returned

tally (*x*, *weight=1*)

Parameters *x* (*any*, preferably *int*, *float* or translatable into *int* or *float*) – value to be tallied

value_number_of_entries (*value*)

count of the number of tallied values equal to value or in value

Parameters *value* (*any*) – if list, tuple or set, check whether the tallied value is in value otherwise, check whether the tallied value equals the given value

Returns number of tallied values in value or equal to value

Return type *int*

value_weight (*value*)

total weight of tallied values equal to value or in value

Parameters *value* (*any*) – if list, tuple or set, check whether the tallied value is in value otherwise, check whether the tallied value equals the given value

Returns total of weights of tallied values in value or equal to value

Return type *int*

weight (*ex0=False*)

sum of weights

Parameters *ex0* (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns sum of weights

Return type *float*

weight_zero ()

sum of weights of zero entries

Returns sum of weights of zero entries

Return type *float*

x (*ex0=False*, *force_numeric=True*)

array/list of tallied values

Parameters

- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **force_numeric** (*bool*) – if True (default), convert non numeric tallied values numeric if possible, otherwise assume 0 if False, do not interpret x-values, return as list if type is any (list)

Returns all tallied values**Return type** array/list

xweight (*ex0=False, force_numeric=True*)
array/list of tallied values

Parameters

- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **force_numeric** (*bool*) – if True (default), convert non numeric tallied values numeric if possible, otherwise assume 0 if False, do not interpret x-values, return as list if type is list

Returns all tallied values**Return type** array/list

12.7 MonitorTimestamp

class salabim.**MonitorTimestamp** (*name=None, initial_tally=None, monitor=True, type=None, merge=None, env=None, *args, **kwargs*)
monitortimestamp object

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the timestamped monitor if the name ends with a period (.), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)
- **initial_tally** (*any, usually float*) – initial value to be tallied (default 0) if it important to provide the value at time=now
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default), monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled it is possible to control monitoring later, with the monitor method
- **type** (*str*) – specifies how tallied values are to be stored Using a int, uint of float type results in less memory usage and better performance. Note that the getter should never return the number not to use as this is used to indicate ‘off’

- **'any' (default) stores values in a list. This allows for** non numeric values. In calculations the values are forced to a numeric value (0 if not possible) do not use -inf
- **'bool'** bool (False, True). Actually integer $\geq 0 \leq 254$ 1 byte do not use 255
- **'int8'** integer $\geq -127 \leq 127$ 1 byte do not use -128
- **'uint8'** integer $\geq 0 \leq 254$ 1 byte do not use 255
- **'int16'** integer $\geq -32767 \leq 32767$ 2 bytes do not use -32768
- **'uint16'** integer $\geq 0 \leq 65534$ 2 bytes do not use 65535
- **'int32'** integer $\geq -2147483647 \leq 2147483647$ 4 bytes do not use -2147483648
- **'uint32'** integer $\geq 0 \leq 4294967294$ 4 bytes do not use 4294967295
- **'int64'** integer $\geq -9223372036854775807 \leq 9223372036854775807$ 8 bytes do not use -9223372036854775808
- **'uint64'** integer $\geq 0 \leq 18446744073709551614$ 8 bytes do not use 18446744073709551615
- **'float'** float 8 bytes do not use -inf
- **merge** (*list, tuple or set*) – the monitor will be created by merging the monitors mentioned in the list merging means summing the available x-values! note that the types of all to be merged monitors should be the same. initial_tally may not be specified when merge is specified. default: no merge
- **env** (*Environment*) – environment where the monitor is defined if omitted, default_env will be used

Note: A MonitorTimestamp collects both the value and the time. All statistics are based on the durations as weights.

Example

Tallied at time 0: 10 (xnow in definition of monitortimestamp) Tallied at time 50: 11 Tallied at time 70: 12 Tallied at time 80: 10 Now = 100

This results in: $x = 10$ duration 50 $x = 11$ duration 20 $x = 12$ duration 10 $x = 10$ duration 20

And thus a mean of $(10*50+11*20+12*10+10*20)/(50+20+10+20)$

animate (**args, **kwargs*)

animates the timestamped monitor in a panel

Parameters

- **linecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the line or points (default foreground color)
- **linewidth** (*int*) – width of the line or points (default 1 for line, 3 for points)
- **fillcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the panel (default transparent)
- **bordercolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the border (default foreground color)
- **borderlinewidth** (*int*) – width of the line around the panel (default 1)
- **nowcolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the line indicating now (default red)
- **titlecolor** (*colourspec*) – color of the title (default foreground color)
- **titlefont** (*font*) – font of the title (default ‘’)
- **titlefontsize** (*int*) – size of the font of the title (default 15)
- **as_points** (*bool*) – if False (default), lines will be drawn between the points if True, only the points will be shown
- **title** (*str*) – title to be shown above panel default: name of the monitor
- **x** (*int*) – x-coordinate of panel, relative to xy_anchor, default 0
- **y** (*int*) – y-coordinate of panel, relative to xy_anchor. default 0
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **vertical_offset** (*float*) –
the vertical position of x within the panel is $\text{vertical_offset} + x * \text{vertical_scale}$ (default 0)
- **vertical_scale** (*float*) – the vertical position of x within the panel is $\text{vertical_offset} + x * \text{vertical_scale}$ (default 5)
- **horizontal_scale** (*float*) – for timescaled monitors the relative horizontal position of time t within the panel is on $t * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 1) for non timescaled monitors, the relative horizontal position of index i within the panel is on $i * \text{horizontal_scale}$, possibly shifted (default 5)
- **width** (*int*) – width of the panel (default 200)
- **height** (*int*) – height of the panel (default 75)
- **layer** (*int*) – layer (default 0)

Returns reference to `AnimateMonitor` object

Return type *AnimateMonitor*

Note: It is recommended to use `sim.AnimateMonitor` instead

All measures are in screen coordinates

base_name ()

Returns base name of the `monitortimestamp` (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

bin_duration (*args, **kwargs)

duration of tallied values with the value in range (lowerbound,upperbound]

Parameters

- **lowerbound** (*float*) – non inclusive lowerbound
- **upperbound** (*float*) – inclusive upperbound
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns duration of values >lowerbound and <=upperbound

Return type float

deregister (*args, **kwargs)

deregisters the timestamped monitor in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of registered objects

Returns timestamped monitor (self)

Return type MonitorTimestamped

duration (*args, **kwargs)

total duration

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include samples with value 0. if True, exclude zero samples.

Returns total duration

Return type float

duration_zero (*args, **kwargs)

total duration of samples with value 0

Returns total duration of zero samples

Return type float

get ()

Returns

last tallied value – Instead of this method, the timestamped monitor can also be called directly, like

```
level = sim.MonitorTimestamp('level') ... print(level()) print(level.get()) # identical
```

Return type any, usually float

maximum (*args, **kwargs)

maximum of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns maximum

Return type float

mean (*args, **kwargs)

mean of tallied values, weighted with their durations

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns mean

Return type float

median (*args, **kwargs)

median of tallied values weighted with their durations

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns median

Return type float

minimum (*args, **kwargs)

minimum of tallied values

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns minimum

Return type float

monitor (*value=None*)

enables/disabled timestamped monitor

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change

Returns True, if monitoring enabled. False, if not

Return type bool

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the monitor if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the monitor

Return type str

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed

number_of_entries (**args, **kwargs*)

count of the number of entries (duration type)

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns number of entries

Return type int

number_of_entries_zero (**args, **kwargs*)

count of the number of zero entries (duration type)

Returns number of zero entries

Return type int

percentile (**args, **kwargs*)

q-th percentile of tallied values, weighted with their durations

Parameters

- **q** (*float*) – percentage of the distribution values <0 are treated as 0 values >100 are treated as 100
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns *q-th percentile* – 0 returns the minimum, 50 the median and 100 the maximum

Return type float

print_histogram (*number_of_bins=None, lowerbound=None, bin_width=None, values=False, ex0=False, as_str=False*)
print timestamped monitor statistics and histogram

Parameters

- **number_of_bins** (*int*) – number of bins default: 30 if <0, also the header of the histogram will be suppressed
- **lowerbound** (*float*) – first bin default: 0
- **bin_width** (*float*) – width of the bins default: 1
- **values** (*bool*) – if False (default), bins will be used if True, the individual values will be shown (in the right order). in that case, no cumulative values will be given
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the histogram if True, return a string containing the histogram

Returns histogram (if *as_str* is True)

Return type str

Note: If *number_of_bins*, *lowerbound* and *bin_width* are omitted, the histogram will be autoscaled, with a maximum of 30 classes.

print_histograms (*number_of_bins=None, lowerbound=None, bin_width=None, values=False, ex0=False, as_str=False*)
print timestamped monitor statistics and histogram

Parameters

- **number_of_bins** (*int*) – number of bins default: 30 if <0, also the header of the histogram will be suppressed
- **lowerbound** (*float*) – first bin default: 0
- **bin_width** (*float*) – width of the bins default: 1
- **values** (*bool*) – if False (default), bins will be used if True, the individual values will be shown (in the right order). in that case, no cumulative values will be given
- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

as_str: bool if False (default), print the histogram if True, return a string containing the histogram

Returns histogram (if `as_str` is `True`)

Return type str

Note: If `number_of_bins`, `lowerbound` and `bin_width` are omitted, the histogram will be autoscaled, with a maximum of 30 classes. Exactly same functionality as `MonitorTimestamped.print_histogram()`

print_statistics (*show_header=True, show_legend=True, do_indent=False, as_str=False*)
print timestamped monitor statistics

Parameters

- **show_header** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **show_legend** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **do_indent** (*bool*) – primarily for internal use
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if `False` (default), print the statistics if `True`, return a string containing the statistics

Returns statistics (if `as_str` is `True`)

Return type str

register (**args, **kwargs*)
registers the timestamped monitor in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects

Returns timestamped monitor (self)

Return type MonitorTimestamped

Note: Use `MonitorTimestamped.deregister` if timestamped monitor does not longer need to be registered.

reset (*monitor=None*)
resets timestamped monitor

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if `True` (default), monitoring will be on. if `False`, monitoring is disabled if omitted, the monitor state remains unchanged

reset_monitors (*monitor=None*)

resets timestamped monitor

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default), monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, the monitor state remains unchanged

Note: Exactly same functionality as MonitorTimestamped.reset()

sequence_number ()

Returns **sequence_number of the monitortimestamp** – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type int

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a monitortimestamp.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments are passed

std (**args, **kwargs*)

standard deviation of tallied values, weighted with their durations

Parameters **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes

Returns **standard deviation**

Return type float

tally (*value*)

tally value

Parameters **value** (*any, usually float*) –

tx (*ex0=False, exoff=False, force_numeric=False, add_now=True*)

tuple of array with timestamps and array/list with x-values

Parameters

- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **exoff** (*bool*) – if False (default), include self.off. if True, exclude self.off's

- **force_numeric** (*bool*) – if True (default), convert non numeric tallied values numeric if possible, otherwise assume 0 if False, do not interpret x-values, return as list if type is list
- **add_now** (*bool*) – if True (default), the current time and the last tallied x-value added to the result if False, the result ends with the time of the last tally and the last tallied x-value

Returns array with timestamps and array/list with x-values

Return type tuple

Note: The value self.off is stored when monitoring is turned off The timestamps are not corrected for any reset_now() adjustment.

value_duration (**args, **kwargs*)

duration of tallied values equal to value or in value

Parameters **value** (*any*) – if list, tuple or set, check whether the tallied value is in value otherwise, check whether the tallied value equals the given value

Returns duration of tallied values in value or equal to value

Return type float

value_number_of_entries (**args, **kwargs*)

count of tallied values equal to value or in value

Parameters **value** (*any*) – if list, tuple or set, check whether the tallied value is in value otherwise, check whether the tallied value equals the given value

Returns count of tallied values in value or equal to value

Return type float

xduration (**args, **kwargs*)

tuple of array with x-values and array with durations

Parameters

- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **force_numeric** (*bool*) – if True (default), convert non numeric tallied values numeric if possible, otherwise assume 0 if False, do not interpret x-values, return as list if type is list

Returns array/list with x-values and array with durations

Return type tuple

xt (*ex0=False, exoff=False, force_numeric=True, add_now=True*)
tuple of array/list with x-values and array with timestamp

Parameters

- **ex0** (*bool*) – if False (default), include zeroes. if True, exclude zeroes
- **exoff** (*bool*) – if False (default), include self.off. if True, exclude self.off's
- **force_numeric** (*bool*) – if True (default), convert non numeric tallied values numeric if possible, otherwise assume 0 if False, do not interpret x-values, return as list if type is list
- **add_now** (*bool*) – if True (default), the last tallied x-value and the current time is added to the result if False, the result ends with the last tallied value and the time that was tallied

Returns array/list with x-values and array with timestamps

Return type tuple

Note: The value self.off is stored when monitoring is turned off The timestamps are not corrected for any reset_now() adjustment.

12.8 Queue

class salabim.Queue (*name=None, monitor=True, fill=None, env=None, *args, **kwargs*)
Queue object

Parameters

- **fill** (*Queue, list or tuple*) – fill the queue with the components in fill if omitted, the queue will be empty at initialization
- **name** (*str*) – name of the queue if the name ends with a period (.), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default) , both length and length_of_stay are monitored if False, monitoring is disabled.
- **env** (*Environment*) – environment where the queue is defined if omitted, default_env will be used

add (*component*)
adds a component to the tail of a queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the tail of the queue may not be member of the queue yet

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of the tail of the queue, if any or 0 if queue is empty This method is equivalent to `append()`

add_at_head (*component*)

adds a component to the head of a queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the head of the queue may not be member of the queue yet

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of the head of the queue, if any or 0 if queue is empty

add_behind (*component, poscomponent*)

adds a component to a queue, just behind a component

Parameters

- **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the queue may not be member of the queue yet
- **poscomponent** (*Component*) – component behind which component will be inserted must be member of the queue

Note: the priority of component will be set to the priority of poscomponent

add_in_front_of (*component, poscomponent*)

adds a component to a queue, just in front of a component

Parameters

- **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the queue may not be member of the queue yet
- **poscomponent** (*Component*) – component in front of which component will be inserted must be member of the queue

Note: the priority of component will be set to the priority of poscomponent

add_sorted (*component, priority*)

adds a component to a queue, according to the priority

Parameters

- **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the queue may not be member of the queue yet
- **priority** (*type that can be compared with other priorities in the queue*) – priority in the queue

Note: The component is placed just before the first component with a priority > given priority

animate (**args, **kwargs*)

Animates the components in the queue.

Parameters

- **x** (*float*) – x-position of the first component in the queue default: 50
- **y** (*float*) – y-position of the first component in the queue default: 50
- **direction** (*str*) – if ‘w’, waiting line runs westwards (i.e. from right to left) if ‘n’, waiting line runs northwards (i.e. from bottom to top) if ‘e’, waiting line runs eastwards (i.e. from left to right) (default) if ‘s’, waiting line runs southwards (i.e. from top to bottom)
- **reverse** (*bool*) – if False (default), display in normal order. If True, reversed.
- **max_length** (*int*) – maximum number of components to be displayed
- **xy_anchor** (*str*) – specifies where x and y are relative to possible values are (default: sw): nw n new c e sw s se
- **id** (*any*) – the animation works by calling the animation_objects method of each component, optionally with id. By default, this is self, but can be overridden, particularly with the queue
- **arg** (*any*) – this is used when a parameter is a function with two parameters, as the first argument or if a parameter is a method as the instance default: self (instance itself)

Returns reference to AnimationQueue object

Return type AnimationQueue

Note: It is recommended to use sim.AnimateQueue instead

All measures are in screen coordinates

All parameters, apart from queue and arg can be specified as: - a scalar, like 10 - a function with zero arguments, like lambda: title - a function with one argument, being the time t, like lambda t: t + 10 - a function with two parameters, being arg (as given) and the time, like lambda comp, t: comp.state - a method instance arg for time t, like self.state, actually leading to arg.state(t) to be called

append (*component*)

appends a component to the tail of a queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to be appened to the tail of the queue may not be member of the queue yet

Note: the priority will be set to the priority of the tail of the queue, if any or 0 if queue is empty This method is equivalent to add()

base_name ()

Returns base name of the queue (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

clear ()

empties a queue

removes all components from a queue

component_with_name (*txt*)

returns a component in the queue according to its name

Parameters **txt** (*str*) – name of component to be retrieved

Returns the first component in the queue with name txt – returns None if not found

Return type Component

copy (*name=None, monitor=<function Queue.monitor>*)

returns a copy of two queues

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue if omitted, 'copy of ' + self.name()
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the queue

Returns queue with all elements of self

Return type *Queue*

Note: The priority will be copied from original queue. Also, the order will be maintained.

count (*component*)

component count

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to count

Returns

Return type number of occurrences of component in the queue

Note: The result can only be 0 or 1

deregister (*registry*)

deregisters the queue in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of registered queues

Returns *queue* (*self*)

Return type *Queue*

difference (*q*, *name=None*, *monitor=<function Queue.monitor>*)

returns the difference of two queues

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to be ‘subtracted’ from self
- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue if omitted, self.name() - q.name()
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the queue

Returns

Return type queue containing all elements of self that are not in q

Note: the priority will be copied from the original queue. Also, the order will be maintained. Alternatively, the more pythonic - operator is also supported, e.g. q1 - q2

extend (*q*)

extends the queue with components of q that are not already in self

Parameters **q** (*queue, list or tuple*) –

Note: The components added to the queue will get the priority of the tail of self.

head()

Returns the head component of the queue, if any. None otherwise

Return type *Component*

Note: `q[0]` is a more Pythonic way to access the head of the queue

index(*component*)

get the index of a component in the queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to be queried does not need to be in the queue

Returns **index of component in the queue** – 0 denotes the head, returns -1 if component is not in the queue

Return type `int`

insert(*index, component*)

Insert component before index-th element of the queue

Parameters

- **index** (*int*) – component to be added just before index'th element should be ≥ 0 and $\leq \text{len}(\text{self})$
 - **component** (*Component*) – component to be added to the queue
-

Note: the priority of component will be set to the priority of the index'th component, or 0 if the queue is empty

intersection(*q, name=None, monitor=False*)

returns the intersect of two queues

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to be intersected with self
- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue if omitted, `self.name() + q.name()`
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the queue

Returns queue with all elements that are in self and q

Return type *Queue*

Note: the priority will be set to 0 for all components in the resulting queue the order of the resulting queue is as follows: in the same order as in self. Alternatively, the more pythonic & operator is also supported, e.g. q1 & q2

monitor (*value*)

enables/disables monitoring of length_of_stay and length

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled

Note: it is possible to individually control monitoring with length_of_stay.monitor() and length.monitor()

move (*name=None, monitor=<function Queue.monitor>*)

makes a copy of a queue and empties the original

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the yqueue

Returns queue containing all elements of self

Return type *Queue*

Note: Priorities will be kept self will be emptied

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the queue if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the queue

Return type *str*

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed All derived named are updated as well.

pop (*index=None*)

removes a component by its position (or head)

Parameters **index** (*int*) – index-th element to remove, if any if omitted, return the head of the queue, if any

Returns **The i-th component or head** – None if not existing

Return type *Component*

predecessor (*component*)

predecessor in queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component whose predecessor to return must be member of the queue

Returns **predecessor of component, if any** – None otherwise.

Return type *Component*

print_histograms (*exclude=()*, *as_str=False*)

prints the histograms of the length timestamped and length_of_stay monitor of the queue

Parameters

- **exclude** (*tuple or list*) – specifies which monitors to exclude default: ()
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the histograms if True, return a string containing the histograms

Returns **histograms (if as_str is True)**

Return type *str*

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints information about the queue

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns **info (if as_str is True)**

Return type *str*

print_statistics (*as_str=False*)

prints a summary of statistics of a queue

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the statistics if True, return a string containing the statistics

Returns **statistics (if as_str is True)**

Return type *str*

register (*registry*)

registers the queue in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects

Returns **queue** (*self*)

Return type *Queue*

Note: Use `Queue.deregister` if queue does not longer need to be registered.

remove (*component=None*)

removes component from the queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component to be removed if omitted, all components will be removed.

Note: component must be member of the queue

reset_monitors (*monitor=None*)

resets queue monitor `length_of_stay` and timestamped monitor `length`

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if `True`, monitoring will be on. if `False`, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change of monitoring state

Note: it is possible to reset individual monitoring with `length_of_stay.reset()` and `length.reset()`

sequence_number ()

Returns **sequence_number of the queue** – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type `int`

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a queue.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments are passed

successor (*component*)

successor in queue

Parameters **component** (*Component*) – component whose successor to return must be member of the queue

Returns **successor of component, if any** – None otherwise

Return type *Component*

symmetric_difference (*q, name=None, monitor=<function Queue.monitor>*)

returns the symmetric difference of two queues

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to be ‘subtracted’ from self
- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue if omitted, self.name() - q.name()
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the queue

Returns

Return type queue containing all elements that are either in self or q, but not in both

Note: the priority of all elements will be set to 0 for all components in the new queue. Order: First, elements in self (in that order), then elements in q (in that order) Alternatively, the more pythonic ^ operator is also supported, e.g. q1 ^ q2

tail ()

Returns the tail component of the queue, if any. None otherwise

Return type *Component*

Note: q[-1] is a more Pythonic way to access the tail of the queue

union (*q, name=None, monitor=False*)

Parameters

- **q** (*Queue*) – queue to be unioned with self
- **name** (*str*) – name of the new queue if omitted, self.name() + q.name()

- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitor the queue if False (default), do not monitor the queue

Returns queue containing all elements of self and q

Return type *Queue*

Note: the priority will be set to 0 for all components in the resulting queue the order of the resulting queue is as follows: first all components of self, in that order, followed by all components in q that are not in self, in that order. Alternatively, the more pythonic | operator is also supported, e.g. q1 | q2

12.9 Resource

class salabim.**Resource** (*name=None, capacity=1, anonymous=False, monitor=True, env=None, *args, **kwargs*)

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the resource if the name ends with a period (.), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)
- **capacity** (*float*) – capacity of the resource if omitted, 1
- **anonymous** (*bool*) – anonymous specifier if True, claims are not related to any component. This is useful if the resource is actually just a level. if False, claims belong to a component.
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default) , the requesters queue, the claimers queue, the capacity, the available_quantity and the claimed_quantity are monitored if False, monitoring is disabled.
- **env** (*Environment*) – environment to be used if omitted, default_env is used

base_name ()

Returns base name of the resource (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

claimers ()

Returns queue with all components claiming from the resource – will be an empty queue for an anonymous resource

Return type *Queue*

deregister (*registry*)

deregisters the resource in the registry

Parameters `registry` (*list*) – list of registered components

Returns `resource` (*self*)

Return type *Resource*

monitor (*value*)

enables/disables the resource monitors and timestamped monitors

Parameters `value` (*bool*) – if True, monitoring is enabled if False, monitoring is disabled

Note: it is possible to individually control monitoring with `claimers().monitor()` and `requesters().monitor()`, `capacity.monitor()`, `available_quantity.monitor()`, `claimed_quantity.monitor()` or `occupancy.monitor()`

name (*value=None*)

Parameters `value` (*str*) – new name of the resource if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the resource

Return type *str*

Note: `base_name` and `sequence_number` are not affected if the name is changed All derived named are updated as well.

print_histograms (*exclude=()*, *as_str=False*)

prints histograms of the requesters and claimers queue as well as the capacity, available_quantity and claimed_quantity timestamped monitors of the resource

Parameters

- **exclude** (*tuple or list*) – specifies which queues or monitors to exclude default: ()
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the histograms if True, return a string containing the histograms

Returns histograms (if `as_str` is True)

Return type *str*

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints info about the resource

Parameters `as_str` (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if `as_str` is True)

Return type `str`

print_statistics (*as_str=False*)

prints a summary of statistics of a resource

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the statistics if True, return a string containing the statistics

Returns statistics (if **as_str** is True)

Return type `str`

register (*registry*)

registers the resource in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects

Returns resource (self)

Return type *Resource*

Note: Use `Resource.deregister` if resource does not longer need to be registered.

release (*quantity=None*)

releases all claims or a specified quantity

Parameters **quantity** (*float*) – quantity to be released if not specified, the resource will be emptied completely for non-anonymous resources, all components claiming from this resource will be released.

Note: quantity may not be specified for a non-anonymous resource

requesters ()

Returns queue containing all components with not yet honored requests

Return type *Queue*

reset_monitors (*monitor=None*)

resets the resource monitors and timestamped monitors

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change of monitoring state

Note: it is possible to reset individual monitoring with `claimers().reset_monitors()`, `requesters().reset_monitors`, `capacity.reset()`, `available_quantity.reset()` or `claimed_quantity.reset()` or `occupancy.reset()`

sequence_number ()

Returns sequence number of the resource – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type int

set_capacity (*cap*)

Parameters **cap** (*float or int*) – capacity of the resource this may lead to honoring one or more requests. if omitted, no change

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a resource.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments are passed

12.10 State

class `salabim.State` (*name=None, value=False, type='any', monitor=True, animation_objects=None, env=None, *args, **kwargs*)

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – name of the state if the name ends with a period (.), auto serializing will be applied if the name end with a comma, auto serializing starting at 1 will be applied if omitted, the name will be derived from the class it is defined in (lowercased)
- **value** (*any, preferably printable*) – initial value of the state if omitted, False
- **monitor** (*bool*) – if True (default) , the waiters queue and the value are monitored if False, monitoring is disabled.
- **type** (*str*) – specifies how the state values are monitored. Using a int, uint or float type results in less memory usage and better performance. Note that you should avoid the number not to use as this is used to indicate ‘off’
 - ‘any’ (default) stores values in a list. This allows for non numeric values. In calculations the values are forced to a numeric value (0 if not possible) do not use -inf
 - ‘bool’ bool (False, True). Actually integer $\geq 0 \leq 254$ 1 byte do not use 255

- 'int8' integer $\geq -127 \leq 127$ 1 byte do not use -128
- 'uint8' integer $\geq 0 \leq 254$ 1 byte do not use 255
- 'int16' integer $\geq -32767 \leq 32767$ 2 bytes do not use -32768
- 'uint16' integer $\geq 0 \leq 65534$ 2 bytes do not use 65535
- 'int32' integer $\geq -2147483647 \leq 2147483647$ 4 bytes do not use -2147483648
- 'uint32' integer $\geq 0 \leq 4294967294$ 4 bytes do not use 4294967295
- 'int64' integer $\geq -9223372036854775807 \leq 9223372036854775807$ 8 bytes do not use -9223372036854775808
- 'uint64' integer $\geq 0 \leq 18446744073709551614$ 8 bytes do not use 18446744073709551615
- 'float' float 8 bytes do not use -inf

- **animation_objects** (*list or tuple*) – overrides the default animation_object method the method should have a header like `def animation_objects(self, value):` and should return a list or tuple of animation objects, which will be used when the state changes value. The default method displays a square of size 40. If the value is a valid color, that will be the color of the square. Otherwise, the square will be black with the value displayed in white in the centre.

- **env** (*Environment*) – environment to be used if omitted, default_env is used

base_name ()

Returns base name of the state (the name used at initialization)

Return type str

deregister (*registry*)

deregisters the state in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of registered states

Returns state (self)

Return type *State*

get ()

get value of the state

Returns

value of the state – Instead of this method, the state can also be called directly, like

`level = sim.State('level') ... print(level()) print(level.get()) # identical`

Return type any

monitor (*value=None*)

enables/disables the state monitors and timestamped monitors

Parameters **value** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if not specified, no change

Note:

it is possible to individually control requesters().monitor(), value.monitor()

name (*value=None*)

Parameters **value** (*str*) – new name of the state if omitted, no change

Returns Name of the state

Return type str

Note: base_name and sequence_number are not affected if the name is changed All derived named are updated as well.

print_histograms (*exclude=(), as_str=False*)

print histograms of the waiters queue and the value timestamped monitor

Parameters

- **exclude** (*tuple or list*) – specifies which queues or monitors to exclude default: ()
- **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the histograms if True, return a string containing the histograms

Returns histograms (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

print_info (*as_str=False*)

prints info about the state

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the info if True, return a string containing the info

Returns info (if **as_str** is True)

Return type str

print_statistics (*as_str=False*)

prints a summary of statistics of the state

Parameters **as_str** (*bool*) – if False (default), print the statistics if True, return a string containing the statistics

Returns **statistics** (if **as_str** is **True**)

Return type *str*

register (*registry*)

registers the state in the registry

Parameters **registry** (*list*) – list of (to be) registered objects

Returns **state** (**self**)

Return type *State*

Note: Use `State.deregister` if state does not longer need to be registered.

reset (*value=False*)

reset the value of the state

Parameters **value** (*any (preferably printable)*) – if omitted, False if there is a change, the waiters queue will be checked to see whether there are waiting components to be honored

Note: This method is identical to `set`, except the default value is False.

reset_monitors (*monitor=None*)

resets the timestamped monitor for the state's value and the monitors of the waiters queue

Parameters **monitor** (*bool*) – if True, monitoring will be on. if False, monitoring is disabled if omitted, no change of monitoring state

sequence_number ()

Returns **sequence_number of the state** – (the sequence number at initialization) normally this will be the integer value of a serialized name, but also non serialized names (without a dot or a comma at the end) will be numbered)

Return type *int*

set (*value=True*)

set the value of the state

Parameters **value** (*any (preferably printable)*) – if omitted, True if there is a change, the waiters queue will be checked to see whether there are waiting components to be honored

Note: This method is identical to reset, except the default value is True.

setup ()

called immediately after initialization of a state.

by default this is a dummy method, but it can be overridden.

only keyword arguments will be passed

trigger (*value=True, value_after=None, max=inf*)

triggers the value of the state

Parameters

- **value** (*any (preferably printable)*) – if omitted, True
- **value_after** (*any (preferably printable)*) – after the trigger, this will be the new value. if omitted, return to the the before the trigger.
- **max** (*int*) – maximum number of components to be honored for the trigger value default: inf

Note: The value of the state will be set to value, then at most max waiting components for this state will be honored and next the value will be set to value_after and again checked for possible honors.

waiters ()

Returns queue containing all components waiting for this state

Return type *Queue*

12.11 Miscellaneous

salabim.arrow_polygon (*size*)

creates a polygon tuple with a centered arrow for use with sim.Animate

Parameters **size** (*float*) – length of the arrow

`salabim.can_animate (try_only=True)`

Tests whether animation is supported.

Parameters `try_only` (*bool*) – if True (default), the function does not raise an error when the required modules cannot be imported if False, the function will only return if the required modules could be imported.

Returns True, if required modules could be imported, False otherwise

Return type bool

`salabim.can_video (try_only=True)`

Tests whether video is supported.

Parameters `try_only` (*bool*) – if True (default), the function does not raise an error when the required modules cannot be imported if False, the function will only return if the required modules could be imported.

Returns True, if required modules could be imported, False otherwise

Return type bool

`salabim.centered_rectangle (width, height)`

creates a rectangle tuple with a centered rectangle for use with `sim.Animate`

Parameters

- `width` (*float*) – width of the rectangle
- `height` (*float*) – height of the rectangle

`salabim.colornames ()`

available colornames

Returns dict with name of color as key, `#rrggbb` or `#rrggbbaa` as value

Return type dict

`salabim.default_env ()`

Returns default environment

Return type *Environment*

`salabim.interpolate (t, t0, t1, v0, v1)`

does linear interpolation

Parameters

- **t** (*float*) – value to be interpolated from
- **t0** (*float*) – $f(t_0)=v_0$
- **t1** (*float*) – $f(t_1)=v_1$
- **v0** (*float, list or tuple*) – $f(t_0)=v_0$
- **v1** (*float, list or tuple*) – $f(t_1)=v_1$ if list or tuple, $\text{len}(v_0)$ should equal $\text{len}(v_1)$

Returns linear interpolation between v0 and v1 based on t between t0 and t1

Return type float or tuple

Note: Note that no extrapolation is done, so if $t < t_0 \implies v_0$ and $t > t_1 \implies v_1$. This function is heavily used during animation.

`salabim.random_seed(seed, randomstream=None)`

Reseeds a randomstream

Parameters

- **seed** (*hashable object, usually int*) – the seed for random, equivalent to `random.seed()` if `None` or `*`, a purely random value (based on the current time) will be used (not reproducible)
- **randomstream** (*randomstream*) – randomstream to be used if omitted, random will be used

`salabim.regular_polygon(radius=1, number_of_sides=3, initial_angle=0)`

creates a polygon tuple with a regular polygon (within a circle) for use with `sim.Animate`

Parameters

- **radius** (*float*) – radius of the corner points of the polygon default : 1
- **number_of_sides** (*int*) – number of sides (corners) must be ≥ 3 default : 3
- **initial_angle** (*float*) – angle of the first corner point, relative to the origin default : 0

`salabim.reset()`

resets global variables

used internally at import of salabim

might be useful for REPLs or for Pythonista

`salabim.show_colornames()`

show (print) all available color names and their value.

`salabim.show_fonts()`

show (print) all available fonts on this machine

`salabim.spec_to_image(spec)`

convert an image specification to an image

Parameters `image` (*str or PIL.Image.Image*) – if str: filename of file to be loaded if “”: dummy image will be returned if `PIL.Image.Image`: return this image untranslated

Returns `image`

Return type `PIL.Image.Image`

13.1 Who is behind salabim?

I, Ruud van der Ham, am the sole developer of salabim. I have a long history in simulation, both in applications and tool building.

It all started in the mid 70's when modeling container terminal in Prosim, a package in PL/1 that was inspired by Simula and run big IBM 360/370 mainframes. In the eighties, Prosim was ported to smaller computers, but at the same time I developed a discrete event simulation tool called Must to run on CP/M machines, later on MSDOS machines, again under PL/1. A bit later, Must was ported to Pascal and was used in many projects. Must was never ported to Windows. Instead, Hans Veeke (Delft University) came with Tomas, a package that is still available and runs under Delphi. End 2016, I wanted an easy to use and open source package for a project, preferably in Python. Unfortunately, Simpy (particularly version 3) does not support the essential process interaction methods activate, hold, passivate and standby. First I tried to build a wrapper around Simpy 3, but that didn't work too well.

That was the start of a new package, called salabim. One of the main features of salabim is the powerful animation engine that is heavily inspired by some more creative projects where every animation object can change position, shape, colour, orientation over time. Although rarely used in normal simulation models, all that functionality is available in salabim. Over the year 2017, a lot of functionality was added as well bug were fixed. During that year the package became available on PyPI and GitHub and the documentation was made available. Large parts of salabim were actually developed on an iPad on the excellent Pythonista platform. The full functionality is thus available under iOS.

13.2 Why is the package called salabim?

```
s = 'sim ulation'
print(s)
s = s[:4]
print(s)
s += 'salabim'
```

```
print(s)
s = ' ' * 4 + s[4:]
print(s)
```

```
simulation
sim
sim salabim
    salabim
```

13.3 Contributing and reporting issues

It is very much appreciated to contribute to the salabim, by issuing a pull request or issue on GitHub.

Also, issues can be reported this way.

Alternatively, the Google group can be used for this.

13.4 Support

Ruud van der Ham is able and willing to help users with issues with the package or modelling in general.

Contact him or other users via the Google group or info@salabim.org.

13.5 License

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