Exercise 1: Exploring Dymola, MSL and IDEAS

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Introduction

The goal of this first exercise is to explore and become familiar with the Dymola environment, the Modelica Standard Library (MSL) and the IDEAS library. For this exercise you will simulate two example models and adapt both model and simulation parameters. Additionally, you will plot some results using the plot function of Dymola to visualise the results. This functionality allows for a quick analysis of all results of any model you simulate.

Remarks

- Make sure that Dymola is installed on your computer. More information you can find in the document enclosing the homework exercise.

- Download IDEAS from https://github.com/open-ideas/IDEAS and unzip the library locally.

- Open Dymola and load IDEAS. To load a library, you can click on `File>Open>Load`. Then a file explorer will show up, where you go to your locally downloaded version of IDEAS. Inside the IDEAS folder, you select the file `package.mo`. Now, IDEAS should be loaded into Dymola.

- Note that there is a difference between `Open` and `Load`. The command `Open` loads a file or library (via the file `package.mo`) into Dymola <u>with</u> changing the working directory to the folder in which you selected the file. The command `Load` loads a file or library (via the file `package.mo`) into Dymola <u>with</u> changing the working directory.

- During simulation, Dymola will create executable files in a working directory, which will be executed subsequently by your computer. If you use a computer maintained by KU Leuven (which is the case during this crash course), it is not possible to run an executable file in any folder. Therefore, you should change the working directory to the local folder `C:\Workdir`. For this, you can click on `File>WorkingDirectory` and select `C:\Workdir` from the suggestions or the file explorer (`Browse`).

1 IDEAS - SimpleHouse

- Open the model `IDEAS.Fluid.Examples.SimpleHouse`. For this, navigate in the *Package Browser*.

- Go to `Simulation>Setup`. Change the *Stop time* to 31563000 s (1 year). Set the interval length to 100 s. Choose the *Dassl* algorithm for the solver.

- Simulate the model.

- Plot the zone temperature. There are two options to do this.

  1. There is a temperature sensor that measures the zone temperature, so you can select the variable of the temperature sensor *senTemZonAir.T*.
  2. The zone of the house is represented by a *Mixing Volume*, so you can select the temperature of the *Mixing Volume* itself: *zone.T*.

2   Modelica Standard Library - PID Controller

- Open the model `Modelica.Blocks.Examples.PID_Controller`. For this, navigate in the *Package Browser*.

- Go to `Simulation>Setup`. Change the *Stop time* to 4 *s* (1 year). Make sure that the box *Evaluate parameters to recuce models* is unchecked (in the tab *Translation*).

- Simulate the model. Plot *PI.u_s* and *PI.u_m* in a first subplot and *PI.y* in a second subplot.

- Adapt some parameters (e.g. *intertia1.J* to 2 $kg \cdot m^2$) in the variable browser, re-simulate and compare the results.

- Plot *intertia1.w* as function of *intertia1.phi*.