Block Reference (Version R2011b)

Commonly Used Commonly used blocks

Continuous Define continuous states

Discontinuities Define discontinuous states

Discrete Define discrete states

Logic and Bit Operations Perform logic and bit operations

Lookup Tables Support lookup tables

Math Operations Perform math operations

Model Verification Perform model verification

Model-Wide Utilities Support model-wide operations

Ports & Subsystems Support ports and subsystems

Signal Attributes Support signal attributes

Signal Routing Support signal routing

Sinks Receive output from other blocks

Sources Input to other blocks

User-Defined Functions Support custom functions

Additional Math & Discrete Provide additional math and discrete support

Commonly Used Blocks

Bus Creator Create signal bus

Bus Selector Select signals from incoming bus

Constant Generate constant value

Data Type Conversion Convert input signal to specified data type

Demux Extract and output elements of vector signal

Discrete-Time Integrator Perform discrete-time integration or accumulation of signal

Gain Multiply input by constant

Ground unconnected input port

Inport Create input port for subsystem or external input

Integrator, Integrator Limited Integrate signal

Logical Operator Perform specified logical operation on input

Mux Combine several input signals into vector

Outport Create output port for subsystem or external output

Product Multiply and divide scalars and nonscalars or multiply and

invert matrices

Relational Operator Perform specified relational operation on inputs

Saturation Limit range of signal

Scope and Floating Scope Display signals generated during simulation

Subsystem, Atomic Subsystem, Nonvirtual Represent system within another system

Subsystem, CodeReuse Subsystem

Sum, Add, Subtract, Sum of Elements Add or subtract inputs

Switch Switch output between first input and third input based on

value of second input

Terminator Terminate unconnected output port

Unit Delay Delay signal one sample period

Vector Concatenate, Matrix Concatenate

Concatenate input signals of same data type to create

contiguous output signal

Continuous

Derivative Output time derivative of input

Integrator, Integrator Limited Integrate signal

PID Controller Simulate continuous- or discrete-time PID controllers

PID Controller (2 DOF)

Simulate continuous- or discrete-time two-degree-of-freedom PID

controllers

Second-Order Integrator, Second-Order

Integrator Limited

Integrate input signal twice

State-Space Implement linear state-space system

Transfer Fcn Model linear system by transfer function

Transport Delay Delay input by given amount of time

Variable Time Delay, Variable Transport

Delay

Delay input by variable amount of time

Zero-Pole Model system by zero-pole-gain transfer function

Discontinuities

Backlash Model behavior of system with play

Coulomb and Viscous Friction Model discontinuity at zero, with linear gain elsewhere

Dead Zone Provide region of zero output

Dead Zone Dynamic Set inputs within bounds to zero

Hit Crossing Detect crossing point

Quantizer Discretize input at specified interval

Rate Limiter Limit rate of change of signal

Rate Limiter Dynamic Limit rising and falling rates of signal

Relay Switch output between two constants

Saturation Limit range of signal

Saturation Dynamic Bound range of input

Wrap To Zero Set output to zero if input is above threshold

Discrete

Delay Delay input signal by fixed or variable sample periods

Difference Calculate change in signal over one time step

Discrete Derivative Compute discrete-time derivative

Discrete Filter Model Infinite Impulse Response (IIR) direct form II filters

Discrete FIR Filter Model FIR filters

Discrete State-Space Implement discrete state-space system

Discrete Transfer Fcn Implement discrete transfer function

Discrete Zero-Pole Model system defined by zeros and poles of discrete transfer

function

Discrete-Time Integrator Perform discrete-time integration or accumulation of signal

First-Order Hold Implement first-order sample-and-hold

Memory Output input from previous time step

PID Controller Simulate continuous- or discrete-time PID controllers

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PID controllers

Tapped Delay Delay scalar signal multiple sample periods and output all

delayed versions

Transfer Fcn First Order Implement discrete-time first order transfer function

Transfer Fcn Lead or Lag Implement discrete-time lead or lag compensator

Transfer Fcn Real Zero Implement discrete-time transfer function that has real zero

and no pole

Unit Delay signal one sample period

Zero-Order Hold Implement zero-order hold of one sample period

Logic and Bit Operations

Bit Clear Set specified bit of stored integer to zero

Bit Set Set specified bit of stored integer to one

Bitwise Operator Specified bitwise operation on inputs

Combinatorial Logic Implement truth table

Compare To Constant Determine how signal compares to specified constant

Compare To Zero Determine how signal compares to zero

Detect Change Detect change in signal value

Detect Decrease Detect decrease in signal value

Detect Fall Negative Detect falling edge when signal value decreases to strictly

negative value, and its previous value was nonnegative

Detect Fall Nonpositive Detect falling edge when signal value decreases to nonpositive

value, and its previous value was strictly positive

Detect Increase Detect increase in signal value

Detect Rise Nonnegative Detect rising edge when signal value increases to nonnegative

value, and its previous value was strictly negative

Detect Rise Positive Detect rising edge when signal value increases to strictly

positive value, and its previous value was nonpositive

Extract Bits Output selection of contiguous bits from input signal

Interval Test Determine if signal is in specified interval

Interval Test Dynamic Determine if signal is in specified interval

Logical Operator Perform specified logical operation on input

Relational Operator Perform specified relational operation on inputs

Shift Arithmetic Shift bits or binary point of signal

Lookup Tables

1-D Lookup Table Approximate one-dimensional function

2-D Lookup Table Approximate two-dimensional function

Direct Lookup Index into N-dimensional table to retrieve element, column, or 2-D matrix

Table (n-D)

Interpolation Using Use precalculated index and fraction values to accelerate approximation of

Prelookup N-dimensional function

Lookup Table Approximate one-dimensional function using dynamic table

Dynamic

n-D Lookup Table Approximate N-dimensional function

Prelookup Compute index and fraction for Interpolation Using Prelookup block

Sine, Cosine Implement fixed-point sine or cosine wave using lookup table approach

that exploits quarter wave symmetry

Math Operations

Abs Output absolute value of input

Algebraic Constraint Constrain input signal to zero

Assignment Assign values to specified elements of signal

Bias Add bias to input

Complex to Magnitude-Angle Compute magnitude and/or phase angle of complex signal

Complex to Real-Imag Output real and imaginary parts of complex input signal

Divide Divide one input by another

Dot Product Generate dot product of two vectors

Find nonzero elements in array

Gain Multiply input by constant

Magnitude-Angle to Complex Convert magnitude and/or a phase angle signal to complex

signal

Math Function Perform mathematical function

MinMax Output minimum or maximum input value

MinMax Running Resettable Determine minimum or maximum of signal over time

Permute Dimensions Rearrange dimensions of multidimensional array dimensions

Polynomial Perform evaluation of polynomial coefficients on input values

Product Multiply and divide scalars and nonscalars or multiply and

invert matrices

Product of Elements Copy or invert one scalar input, or collapse one nonscalar

input

Real-Imag to Complex Convert real and/or imaginary inputs to complex signal

Reshape Change dimensionality of signal

Rounding Function Apply rounding function to signal

Sign Indicate sign of input

Sine Wave Function Generate sine wave, using external signal as time source

Slider Gain Vary scalar gain using slider

Sqrt, Signed Sqrt, Reciprocal Sqrt Calculate square root, signed square root, or reciprocal of

square root

Squeeze Remove singleton dimensions from multidimensional signal

Sum, Add, Subtract, Sum of Elements Add or subtract inputs

Trigonometric Function Specified trigonometric function on input

Unary Minus Negate input

Vector Concatenate, Matrix Concatenate Concatenate input signals of same data type to create

contiguous output signal

Weighted Sample Time Math

Support calculations involving sample time

Model Verification

Assertion Check whether signal is zero

Check Discrete Gradient Check that absolute value of difference between successive

samples of discrete signal is less than upper bound

Check Dynamic Gap Check that gap of possibly varying width occurs in range of

signal's amplitudes

Check Dynamic Lower Bound Check that one signal is always less than another signal

Check Dynamic Range Check that signal falls inside range of amplitudes that varies

from time step to time step

Check Dynamic Upper Bound Check that one signal is always greater than another signal

Check Input Resolution Check that input signal has specified resolution

Check Static Gap Check that gap exists in signal's range of amplitudes

Check Static Lower Bound Check that signal is greater than (or optionally equal to)

static lower bound

Check Static Range Check that signal falls inside fixed range of amplitudes

Check Static Upper Bound Check that signal is less than (or optionally equal to) static

upper bound

Model-Wide Utilities

Block Support Table View data type support for Simulink blocks

DocBlock Create text that documents model and save text with model

Model Info Display revision control information in model

Timed-Based Linearization Generate linear models in base workspace at specific times

Trigger-Based Linearization Generate linear models in base workspace when triggered

Ports & Subsystems

Trigger Add trigger port to model or subsystem

Action Port Implement Action subsystems used in if and switch control

flow statements

Configurable Subsystem Represent any block selected from user-specified library of

blocks

Enable Add enabling port to system

Enabled and Triggered Subsystem Represent subsystem whose execution is enabled and

triggered by external input

Enabled Subsystem Represent subsystem whose execution is enabled by external

input

For Each Enable blocks inside For Each Subsystem to process elements

or subarrays of input signal independently

For Each Subsystem Repeatedly perform algorithm on each element or subarray of

input signal and concatenate results

For Iterator Repeatedly execute contents of subsystem at current time

step until iteration variable exceeds specified iteration limit

For Iterator Subsystem Represent subsystem that executes repeatedly during

simulation time step

Function-Call Feedback Latch

Break feedback loop involving data signals between function-

call blocks

Function-Call Generator Execute function-call subsystem specified number of times at

specified rate

Function-Call Split Provide junction for splitting function-call signal

Function-Call Subsystem Represent subsystem that can be invoked as function by

another block

If Model if-else control flow

If Action Subsystem Represent subsystem whose execution is triggered by If block

Inport Create input port for subsystem or external input

Model, Model Variants Include model as block in another model

Outport Create output port for subsystem or external output

Subsystem, Atomic Subsystem, Nonvirtual

Subsystem, CodeReuse Subsystem

Represent system within another system

Switch Case Implement C-like switch control flow statement

Switch Case Action Subsystem Represent subsystem whose execution is triggered by Switch

Case block

Triggered Subsystem Represent subsystem whose execution is triggered by external

input

Variant Subsystem Represent a subsystem with multiple subsystems

While Iterator Repeatedly execute contents of subsystem at current time

step while condition is satisfied

While Iterator Subsystem Represent subsystem that executes repeatedly while condition

is satisfied during simulation time step

Signal Attributes

Signal Specification Specify desired dimensions, sample time, data type, numeric

type, and other attributes of signal

Bus to Vector Convert virtual bus to vector

Data Type Conversion Convert input signal to specified data type

Data Type Conversion Inherited Convert from one data type to another using inherited data

type and scaling

Data Type Duplicate Force all inputs to same data type

Data Type Propagation Set data type and scaling of propagated signal based on

information from reference signals

Data Type Scaling Strip Remove scaling and map to built in integer

IC Set initial value of signal

Probe Output signal attributes, including width, dimensionality,

sample time, and complex signal flag

Rate Transition Handle transfer of data between blocks operating at different

rates

Signal Conversion Convert signal to new type without altering signal values

Weighted Sample Time Support calculations involving sample time

Width Output width of input vector

Signal Routing

Bus Assignment Replace specified bus elements

Bus Creator Create signal bus

Bus Selector Select signals from incoming bus

Data Store Memory Define data store

Data Store Read Read data from data store

Data Store Write Write data to data store

Demux Extract and output elements of vector signal

Environment Controller Create branches of block diagram that apply only to simulation

or only to code generation

From Accept input from Goto block

Goto Pass block input to From blocks

Goto Tag Visibility Define scope of Goto block tag

Index Vector Switch output between different inputs based on value of first

input

Manual Switch Switch between two inputs

Merge Combine multiple signals into single signal

Multiport Switch Choose between multiple block inputs

Mux Combine several input signals into vector

Selector Select input elements from vector, matrix, or

multidimensional signal

Switch output between first input and third input based on

value of second input

Vector Concatenate, Matrix Concatenate Concatenate input signals of same data type to create

contiguous output signal

Sinks

Display Show value of input

Outport Create output port for subsystem or external output

Scope and Floating Scope Display signals generated during simulation

Stop Simulation Stop simulation when input is nonzero

Terminator Terminate unconnected output port

To File Write data to file

To Workspace Write data to MATLAB workspace

XY Graph Display X-Y plot of signals using MATLAB figure window

Sources

Band-Limited White Noise Introduce white noise into continuous system

Chirp Signal Generate sine wave with increasing frequency

Clock Display and provide simulation time

Constant Generate constant value

Counter Free-Running Count up and overflow back to zero after reaching maximum

value for specified number of bits

Counter Limited Count up and wrap back to zero after outputting specified

upper limit

Digital Clock Output simulation time at specified sampling interval

Enumerated Constant Generate enumerated constant value

From File Read data from MAT-file

From Workspace Read data from workspace

Ground unconnected input port

Inport Create input port for subsystem or external input

Pulse Generator Generate square wave pulses at regular intervals

Ramp Generate constantly increasing or decreasing signal

Random Number Generate normally distributed random numbers

Repeating Sequence Generate arbitrarily shaped periodic signal

Repeating Sequence Interpolated Output discrete-time sequence and repeat, interpolating

between data points

Repeating Sequence Stair Output and repeat discrete time sequence

Signal Builder Create and generate interchangeable groups of signals

whose waveforms are piecewise linear

Signal Generator Generate various waveforms

Sine Wave Generate sine wave, using simulation time as time source

Step Generate step function

Uniform Random Number Generate uniformly distributed random numbers

User-Defined Functions

Fcn Apply specified expression to input

Interpreted MATLAB Function Apply MATLAB function or expression to input

Level-2 MATLAB S-Function Use Level-2 MATLAB S-function in model

MATLAB Function Include MATLAB code in models that generate embeddable

C code

S-Function Include S-function in model

S-Function Builder Create S-function from C code that you provide

Additional Math & Discrete

Unit Delay With Preview Resettable

External RV

Additional Discrete	Provide additional discrete math support
Additional Math: Increment — Decrement	Increment or decrement value of signal by one
Additional Discrete	
Fixed-Point State-Space	Implement discrete-time state space
Transfer Fcn Direct Form II	Implement Direct Form II realization of transfer function
Transfer Fcn Direct Form II Time Varying	Implement time varying Direct Form II realization of transfer function
Unit Delay Enabled	Delay signal one sample period, if external enable signal is or
Unit Delay Enabled External IC	Delay signal one sample period, if external enable signal is of with external initial condition
Unit Delay Enabled Resettable	Delay signal one sample period, if external enable signal is o with external Boolean reset
Unit Delay Enabled Resettable External IC	Delay signal one sample period, if external enable signal is o with external Boolean reset and initial condition
Unit Delay External IC	Delay signal one sample period, with external initial conditio
Unit Delay Resettable	Delay signal one sample period, with external Boolean reset
Unit Delay Resettable External IC	Delay signal one sample period, with external Boolean reset and initial condition
Unit Delay With Preview Enabled	Output signal and signal delayed by one sample period, if external enable signal is on
Unit Delay With Preview Enabled Resettable	Output signal and signal delayed by one sample period, if external enable signal is on, with external reset
Unit Delay With Preview Enabled Resettable External RV	Output signal and signal delayed by one sample period, if external enable signal is on, with external RV reset
Unit Delay With Preview Resettable	Output signal and signal delayed by one sample period, with

external reset

external RV reset

Output signal and signal delayed by one sample period, with

Additional Math: Increment — Decrement

Decrement Real World Decrease real world value of signal by one

Decrement Stored Integer Decrease stored integer value of signal by one

Decrement Time To Zero Decrease real-world value of signal by sample time, but only

to zero

Decrement To Zero Decrease real-world value of signal by one, but only to zero

Increment Real World Increase real world value of signal by one

Increase stored integer value of signal by one