

Introduction to Simulation

Examples of ODEs

Motivation and Content

Why is this topic important?

- To convince you that building ODE models is not difficult

Content of this lecture:

- Show some simple ODE models from different fields
- Use Excel to carry out the simulations (Quick, but not very elegant!)
- Show the use of AnyLogic for solving ODEs.

The Coffee Problem

An early morning situation:

- You want to drink a cup of (white) coffee
- The (hot) coffee is already in the cup
- You still need to add (cold) milk
- You need to go to the bathroom first
- You would like your coffee to be as hot as possible

Question:

- Is it better to pour in the milk before going to the bathroom, or after you return?



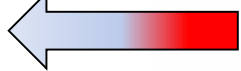
The Coffee Problem

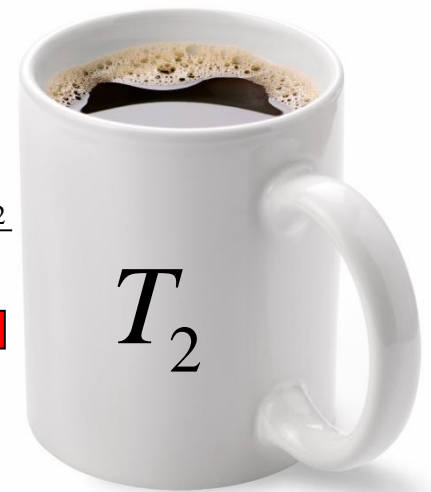
What does Physics (Fourier's Law) tell us?

When heat energy diffuses from one body to another:

- The rate of heat flow is proportional to the temperature difference

$$\frac{dT_1}{dt} = -a \frac{dT_2}{dt} = b \cdot (T_2 - T_1)$$

$$T_1 \quad \frac{dT_1}{dt} = -a \frac{dT_2}{dt}$$


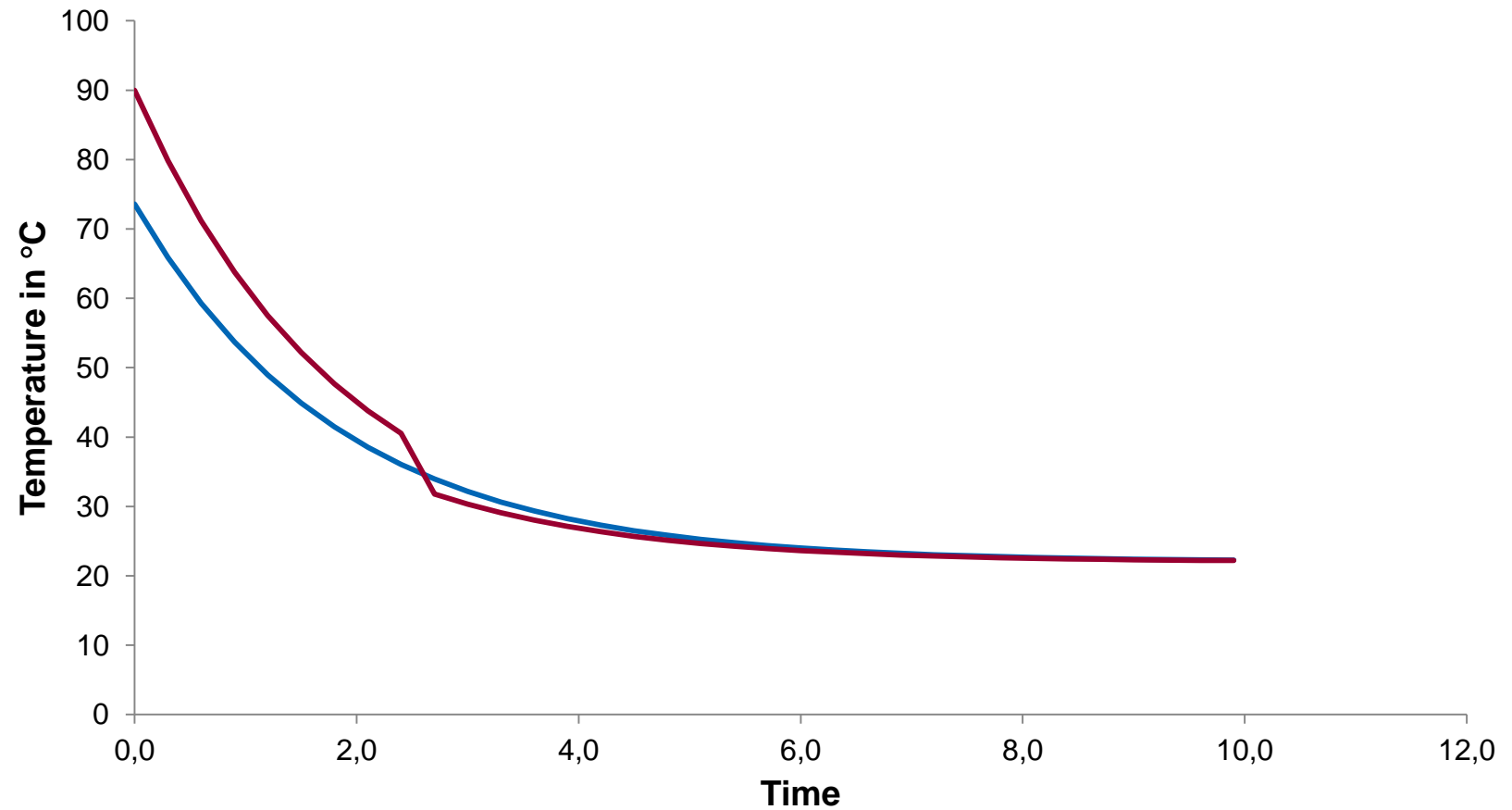


The Coffee Problem

Simulate using the following parameters:

- h: 0.3 Minutes
- Initial temperature of coffee: 90 Degrees Celsius
- Temperature of surroundings: 22 Degrees Celsius
- Temperature of milk: 8 Degrees Celsius
- Volume of coffee: 0.2 Liters
- Volume of milk: 0.05 Liters
- Heat transport constant: 0.5 per Minute

The Coffee Problem



Euler's Method

Euler's Method is the simplest numerical integration method

We have the ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$$

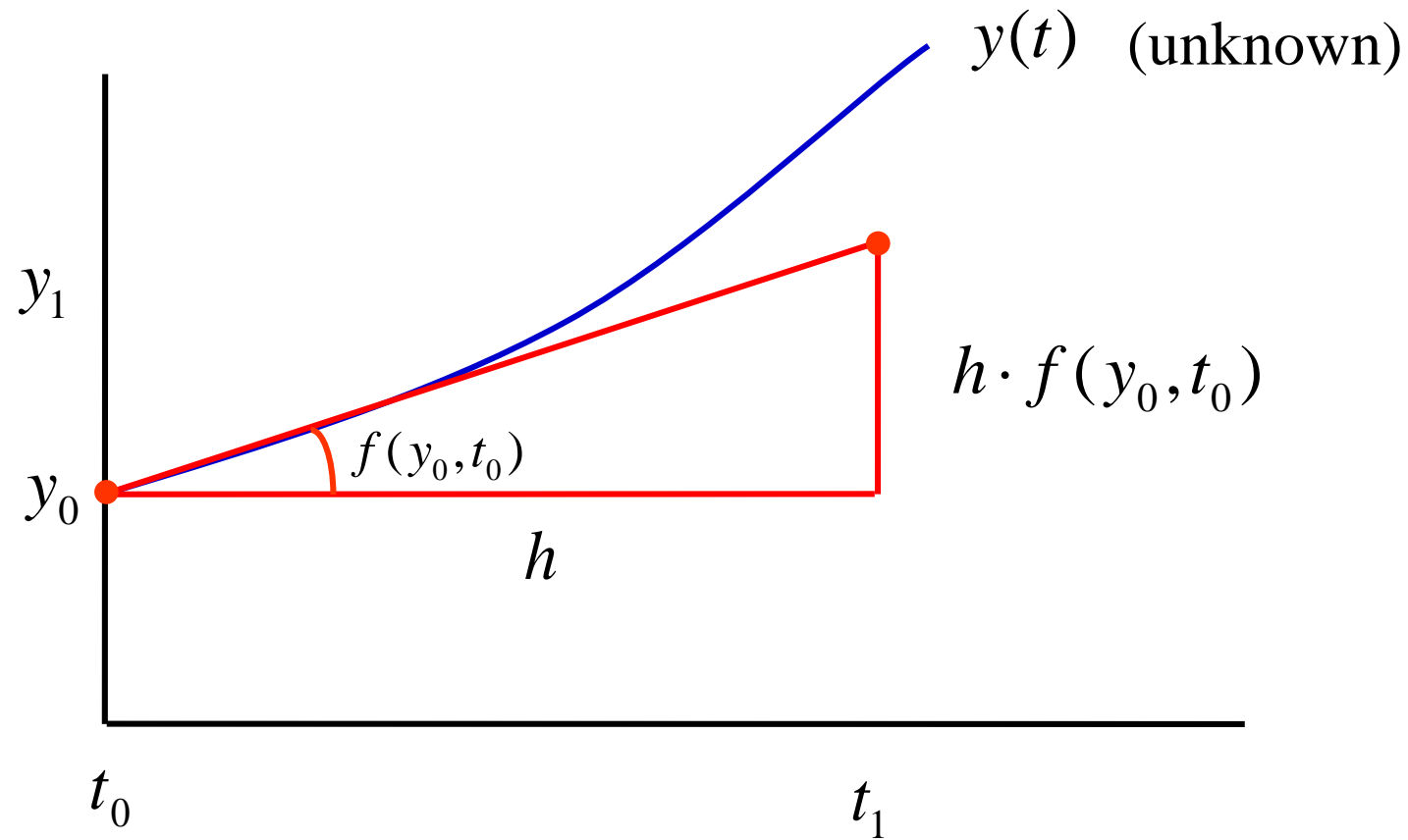
Approach:

- Choose a time increment of size h
- Indicate the number of a time step by k

Then Euler's method is

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + h \cdot f(y_k, t_k)$$

Euler's Method



Euler's Method

Example

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y + t, \quad y(0) = 1$$

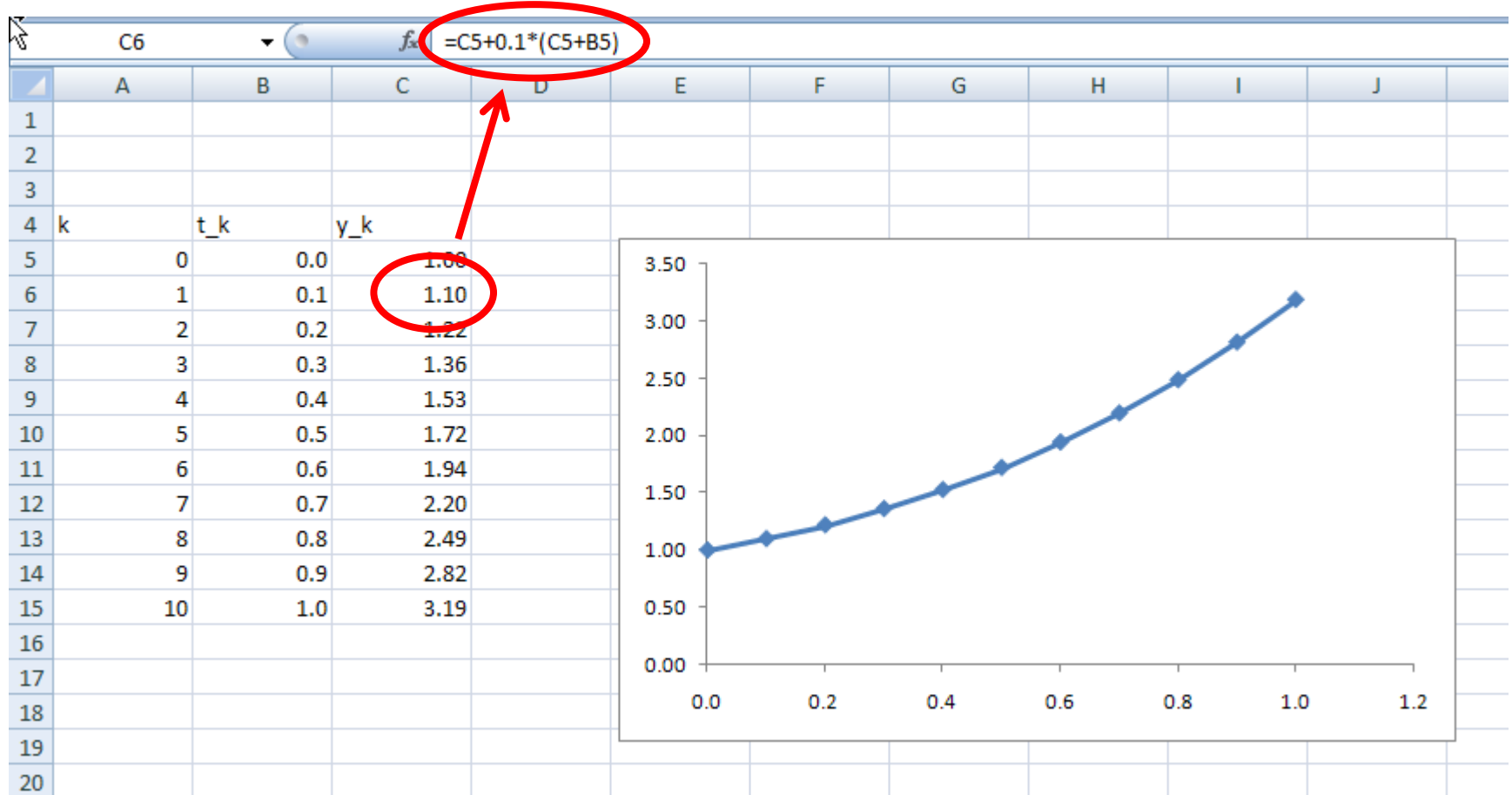
$$y_0 = y(0) = 1$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + h \cdot (y_0 + t_0)$$

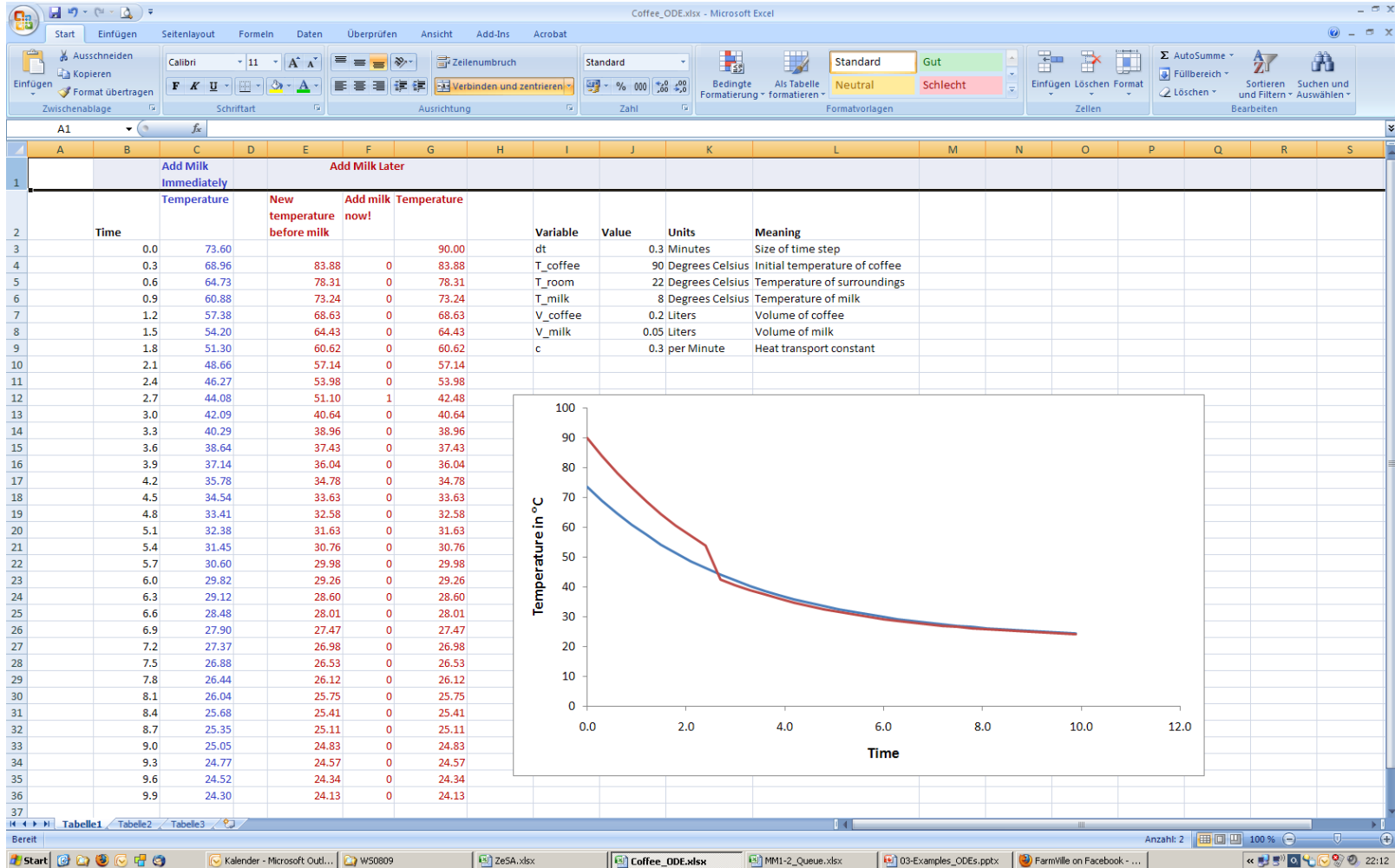
$$y_2 = y_1 + h \cdot (y_1 + t_1)$$

$$y_3 = \dots$$

Euler's Method



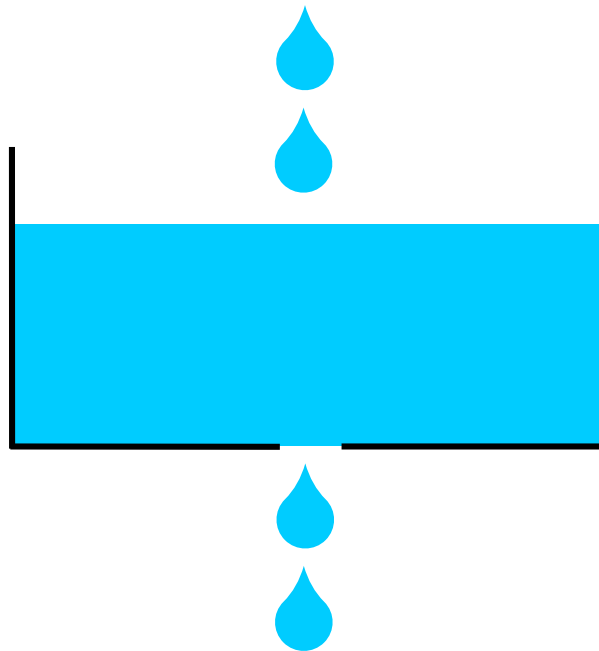
The Coffee Problem Again



The Leaky Bucket

We are filling a bucket with a hole in the bottom

- The fill rate is a constant
- The emptying rate is proportional to the water pressure
- Assumption: the bucket has a constant cross-sectional area



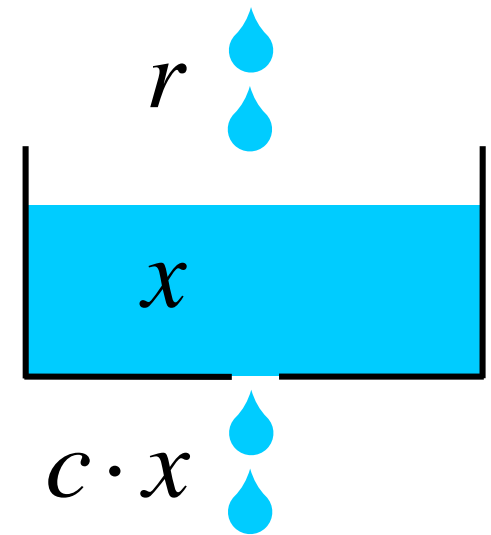
The Leaky Bucket

Variables and parameters:

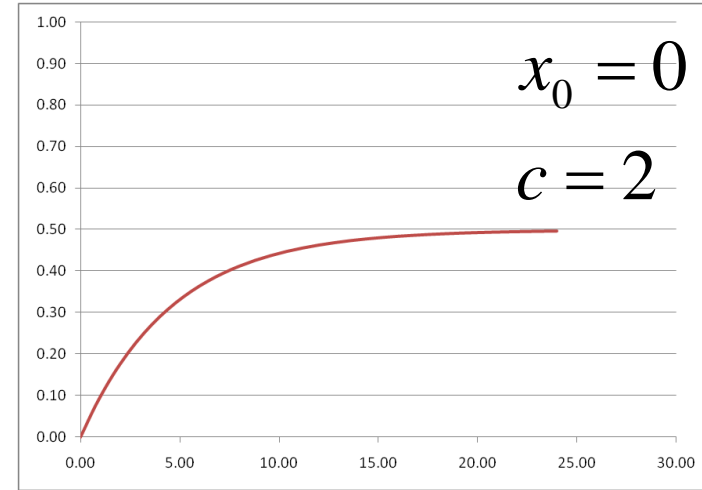
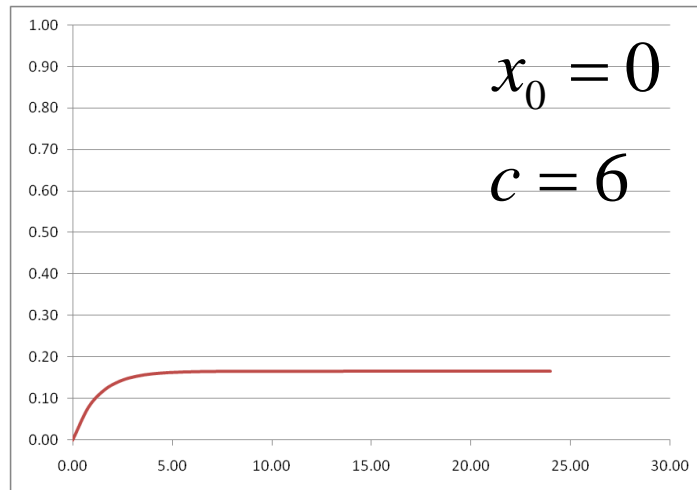
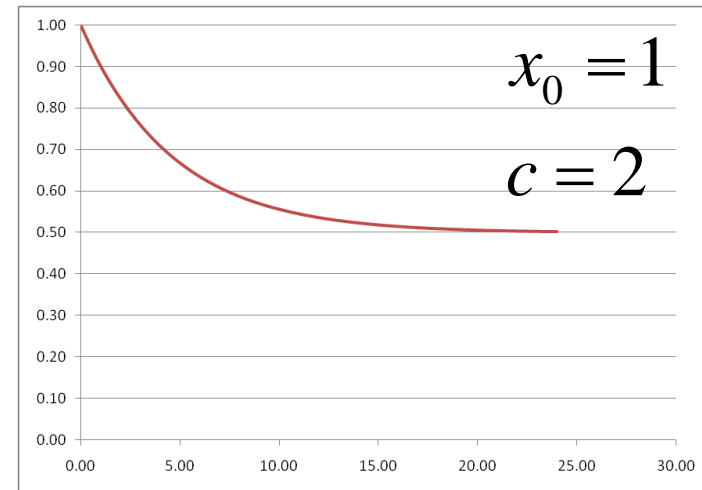
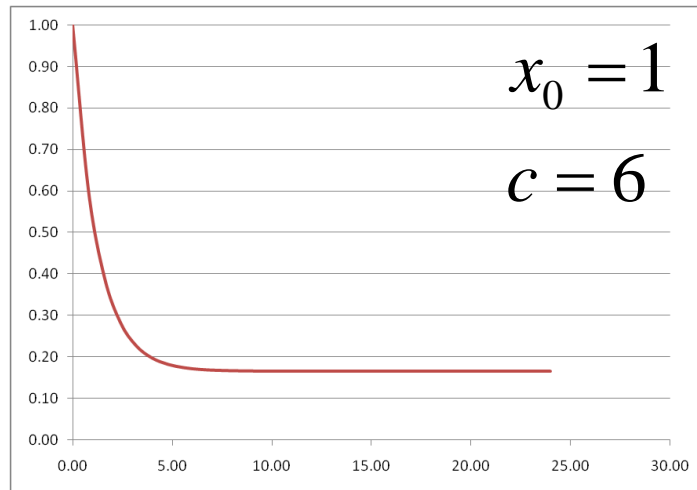
- Volume of water in bucket: $x(t)$
- Rate of filling: r
- Constant: c

Equation:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r - c \cdot x$$



The Leaky Bucket



Three Leaky Buckets

Now add two more buckets

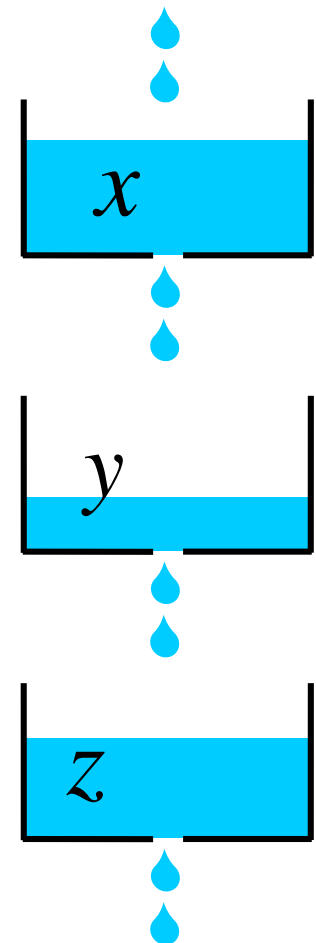
- Volumes of water in bucket: $x(t)$, $y(t)$, $z(t)$
- Constants: c_1 , c_2 , c_3

Equations:

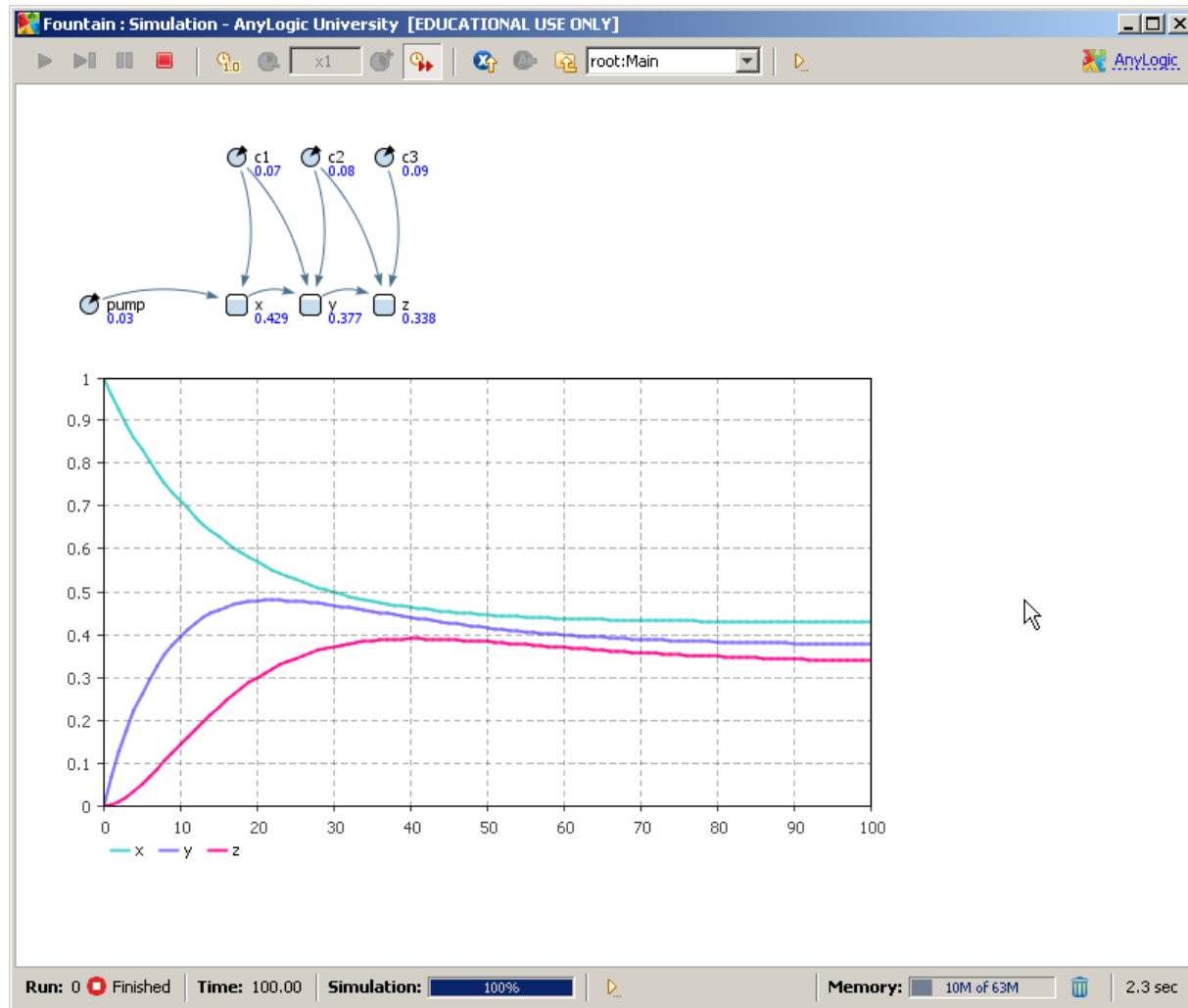
$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r - c_1 \cdot x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = c_1 \cdot x - c_2 \cdot y$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = c_2 \cdot y - c_3 \cdot z$$



Three Leaky Buckets



Queues

Queues occur in many fields



Logistics



Everyday
Life

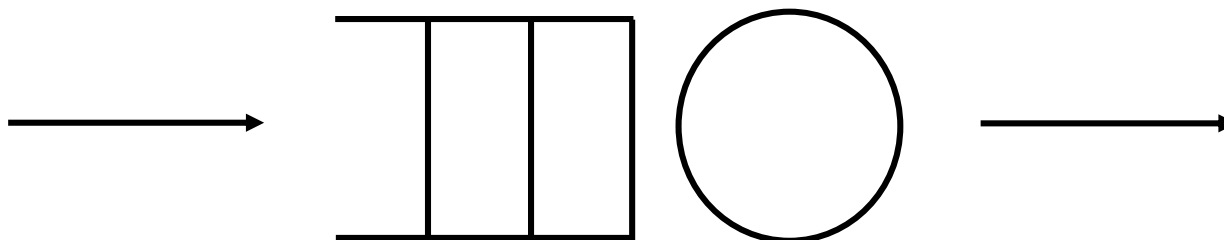


Computer
Networks

Queues

An (abstract) queue has the following components:

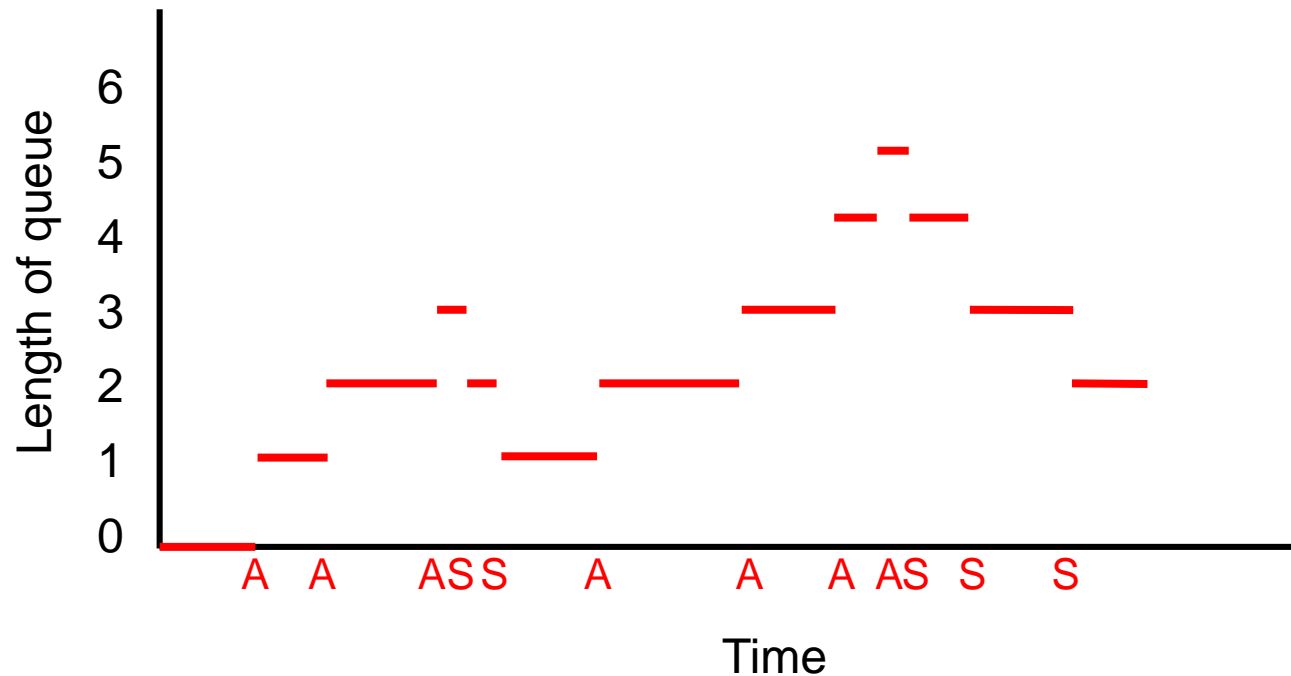
- Customers
- Queue
- Server
- Arrival process
- Service process



Queues

Times between arrivals and services are usually random

- They are described using a random variable



Queues

Queues are an important modelling tool

- They help to design many kinds of systems

Typical questions of queues:

- What is the probability that the queue will become full?
- What proportion of the time is the server busy?
- What is the probability that the queue will become empty?
- How full is the queue at time t ?
- What is the average queue length?

Example Queue

We now consider a special case:

- Arrival and service times are exponentially distributed
- (We will see in a few weeks what this means)

Standard view:

- Observe length of queue
- This changes at random discrete points in time

(Only!) in this case we can make an alternative simulation

- Observe probabilities for number of customers in queue
- These change in continuous time

Example Queue

The variables of interest:

- The probability of there being i customers in the queue at time t :

$$\pi_i(t)$$

Assume the maximum queue length is 2

- (Customers arriving at a full queue are turned away)

We then have three variables

$$\pi_0(t)$$

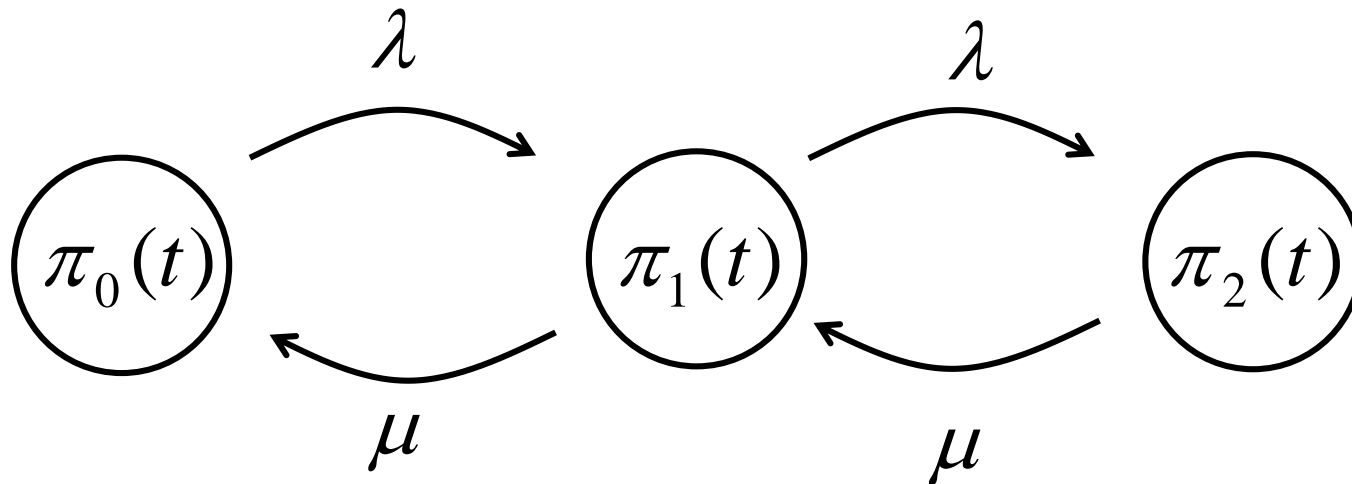
$$\pi_1(t)$$

$$\pi_2(t)$$

Example Queue

Probability flows ...

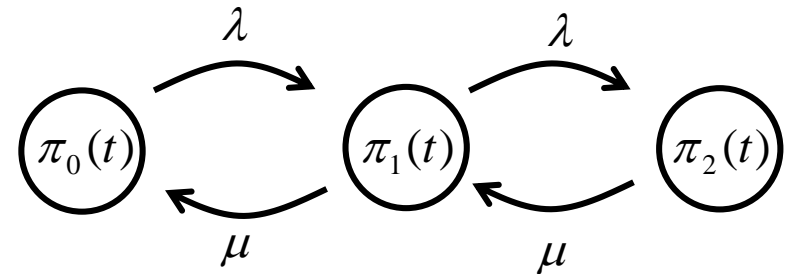
- at rate λ for arrivals
- at rate μ for service completions



Example Queue

Balance equation

- Rate of change = inflow – outflow



$$\frac{d\pi_0}{dt} = \mu \cdot \pi_1 - \lambda \cdot \pi_0$$

$$\frac{d\pi_1}{dt} = \lambda \cdot \pi_0 + \mu \cdot \pi_2 - (\lambda + \mu) \cdot \pi_1$$

$$\frac{d\pi_2}{dt} = \lambda \cdot \pi_1 - \mu \cdot \pi_2$$

Example Queue

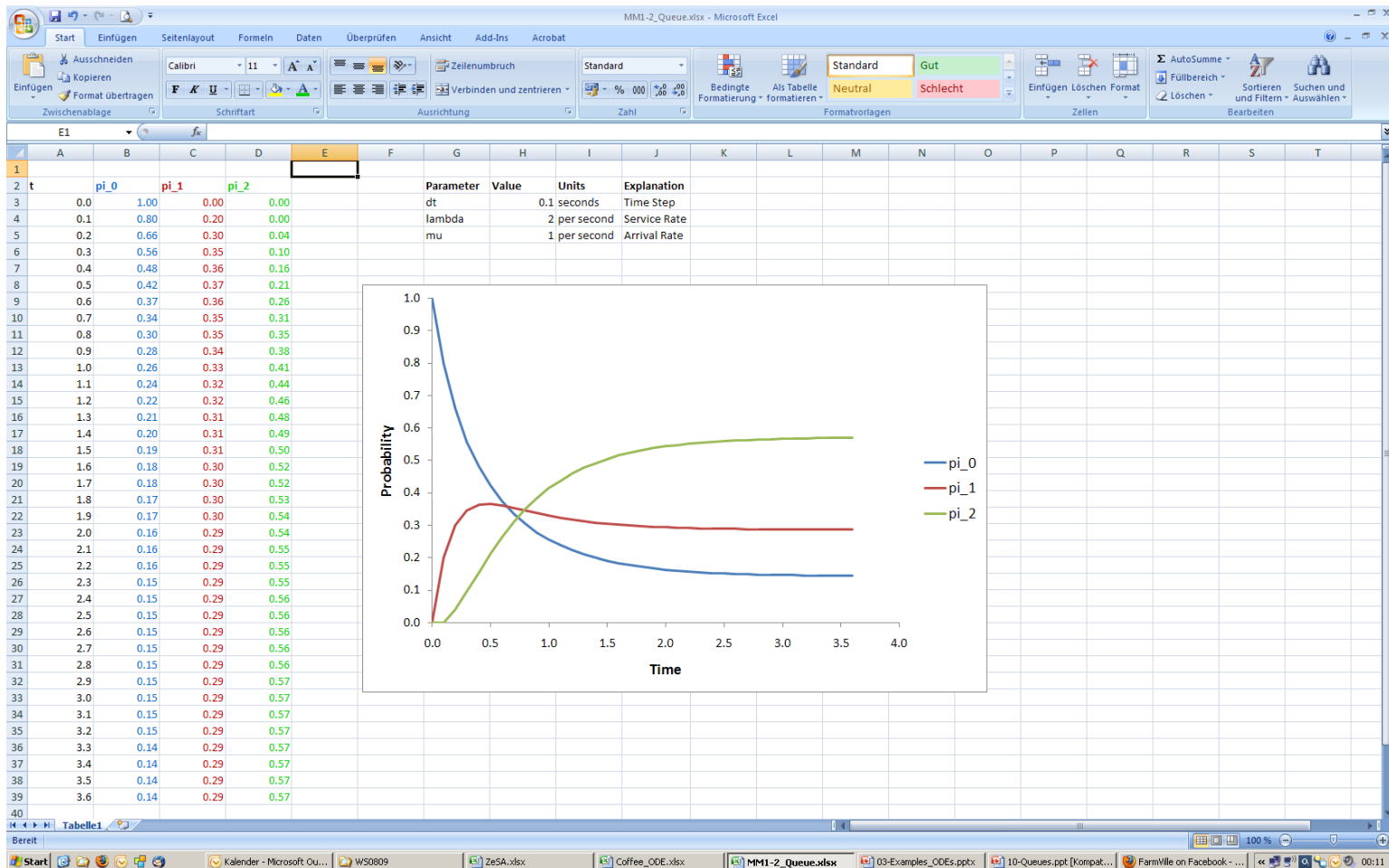
Using Euler's method we obtain at each discrete time step:

$$\pi_{0,k+1} = \pi_{0,k} + h \cdot (\mu \cdot \pi_{2,k} - \lambda \cdot \pi_{0,k})$$

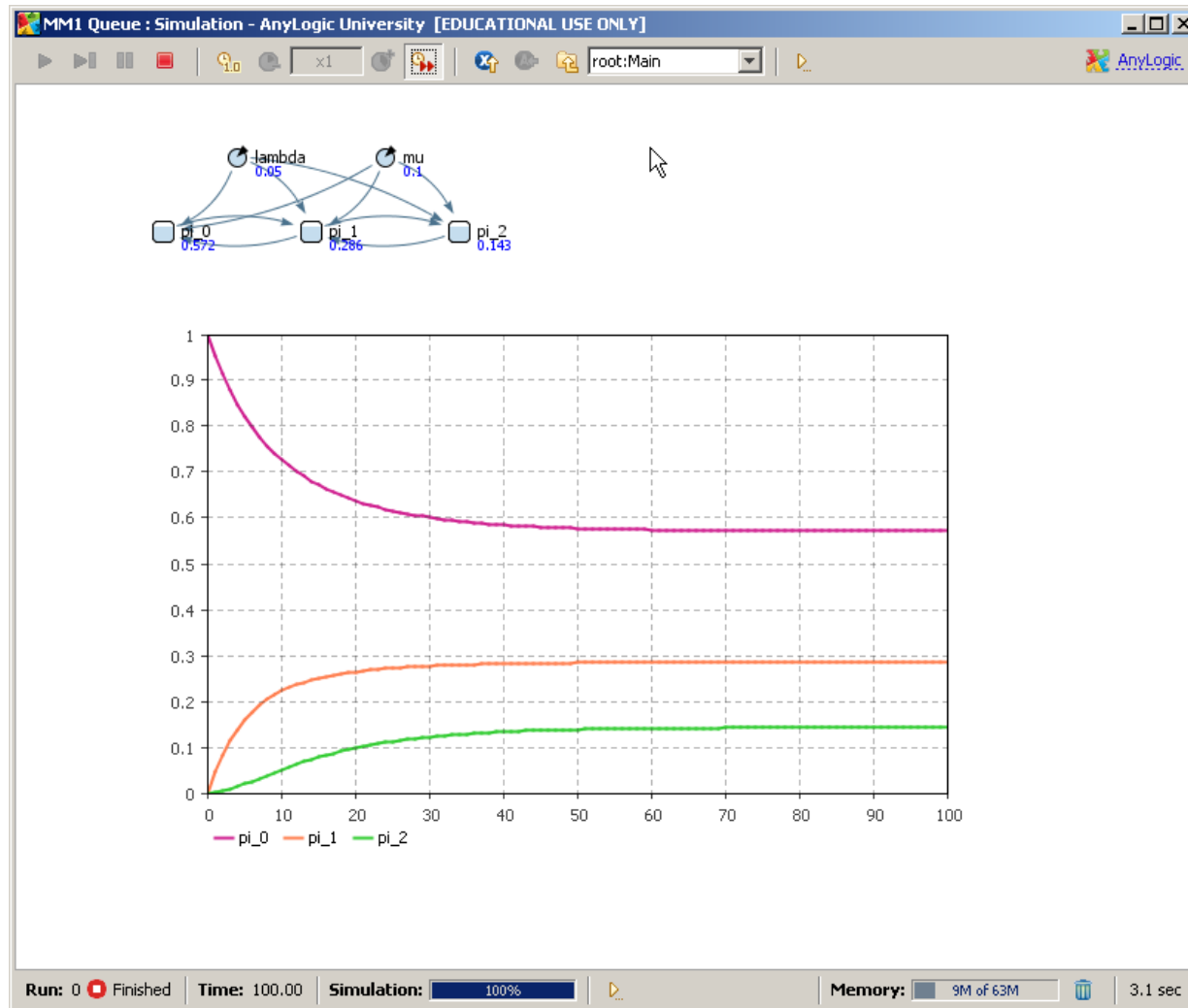
$$\pi_{1,k+1} = \pi_{1,k} + h \cdot (\lambda \cdot \pi_{0,k} + \mu \cdot \pi_{2,k} - (\lambda + \mu) \cdot \pi_{1,k})$$

$$\pi_{2,k+1} = \pi_{2,k} + h \cdot (\lambda \cdot \pi_{1,k} - \mu \cdot \pi_{2,k})$$

Example Queue



Example Queue



Lorenz's Chaotic Equations

Edward Lorenz (1963)

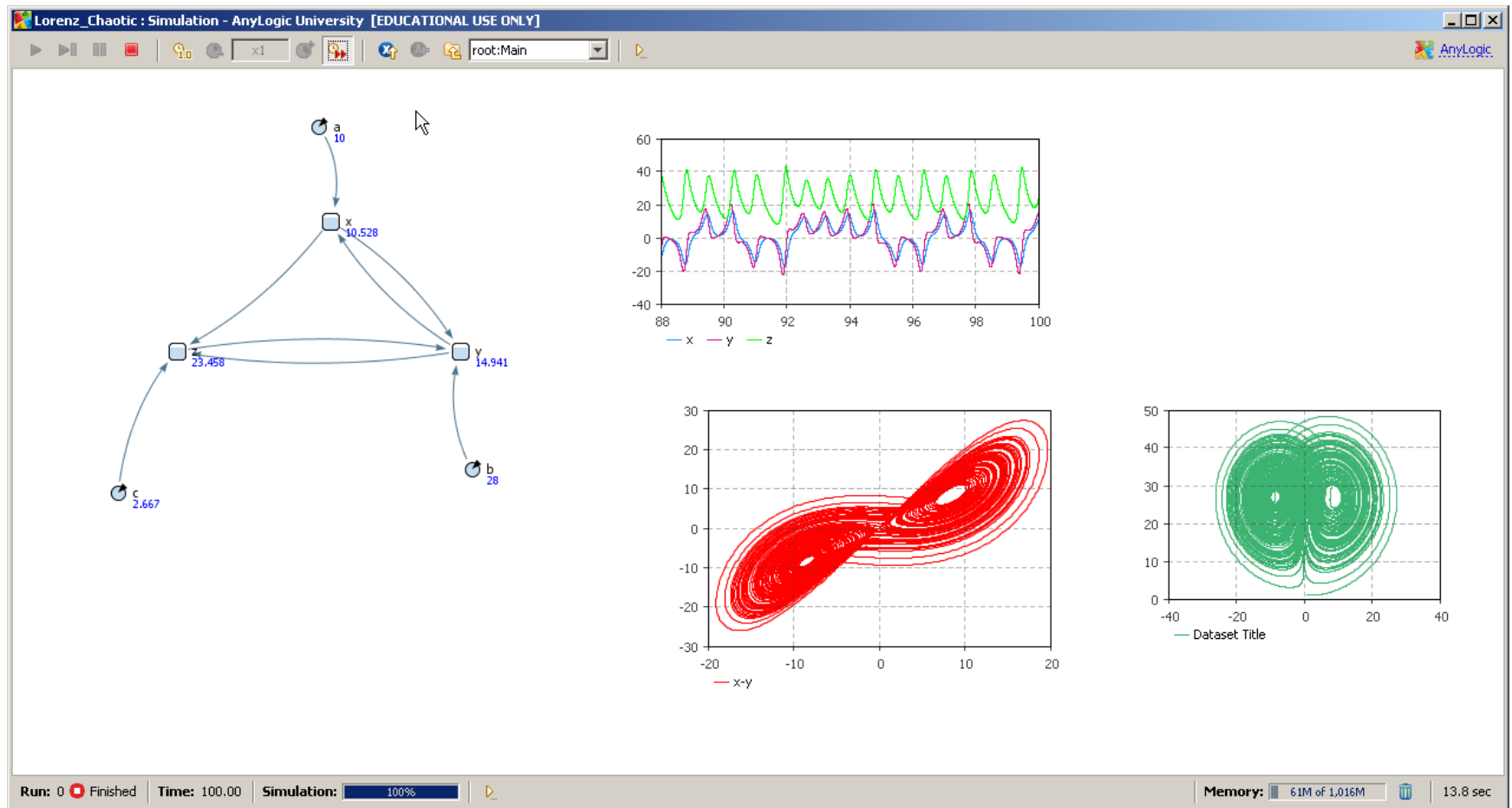
- Three equations from meteorology

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a \cdot (y - x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -x \cdot z + b \cdot x - y$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = x \cdot y - c \cdot z$$

Lorenz's Chaotic Equations



Three Species Model

Three-species predator-prey model:

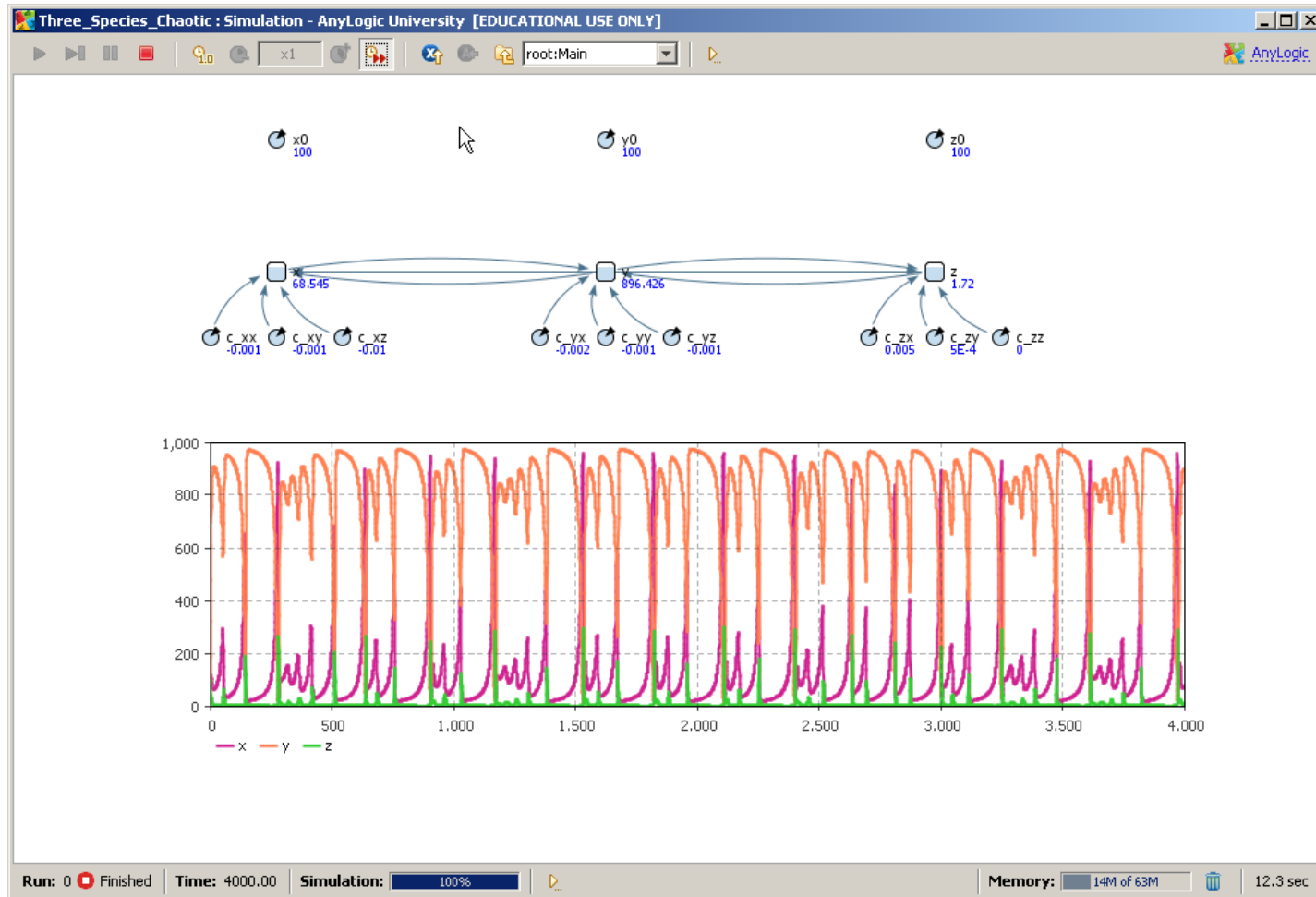
- Species z preys on species x and y
- There is crowding both within x and y , and between x and y

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = x - 0.001x^2 - 0.001xy - 0.01xz$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y - 0.0015xy - 0.001y^2 - 0.001yz$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = -z + 0.005xz + 0.0005yz$$

Chaotic Three-Species Model



Learning Goals

Questions to test your knowledge:

- Given a textual description of a system, can you build an ODE model of it?
- Given an ODE (system), write down the equations used by Euler's method to perform the simulation