

Part 5: 4DScript

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4DScript Overview (1)

- ▶ 4DScript is a functional language:
 - example: 'if a then b else c' is written 'if (a, b, c)'
 - Logical and calculation operators can also be written like 2+3 instead of +(2,3)
- ▶ 4DScript for everything
 - model logic
 - create atoms
 - control ED from outside applications
- ▶ 4DScript is auto compiled during run-time
- ▶ In logistic suite mostly used to manipulate labels in triggers and conditional statements

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4DScript Overview (2)

- ▶ 4D script-words overview
- ▶ Invoke with menu option
`<window | 4D script overview>`
or
shortcut F2 when 4DScript editor is open



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4DScript Syntax (1)

- ▶ 4D Script words have 0..25 parameters
- ▶ Parameters between ()
- ▶ Parameters separated by a comma: " , "
- ▶ Parameters can be:
 - values
 - strings
 - expressions
- ▶ (4DScript) Strings always between square brackets " [..] "
- ▶ Comments between { }

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4DScript Syntax (2)

- ▶ Multiple lines and spaces: OK
- ▶ Lower and/or upper case
 - NOT OK in label
- ▶ All brackets must match!

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4DScript Syntax Examples

- ▶ `msg ([hello])`
displays window with text hello
- ▶ `/ (3, 7)`
divides 3 by 7
- ▶ `setchannels (3, 2, animatom)`
set number of in- and output channels of the selected atom in animation window
- ▶ `set (color (animatom), 0)`
changes the color of the selected atom in the animation window into black (=0)

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Mathematical statements

- ▶ Shortcut evaluation order is: * / + - (right to left within same operator type)

Function Call	Shortcut
$+(2,5)$	$2+5$
$/(9,3)$	$9/3$
$-(+/(*(2,4),2),3),4)$	$2*4/2+3-4$
$>(6,2)$	$6>2$

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4D Script: Multiple Statements

- ▶ "DO" – statement
 - for executing multiple 4dscript commands at once.
 - `do(e1,do(e1..e25),..e25)`
 - maximum is 25 parameters

- ▶ Example for "trigger on exit":

```
do(  
  set(color(i),colored),  
  set(icon(i),2)  
)
```

shortcut syntax

```
do(  
  color(i):=colored,  
  icon(i):=2  
)
```

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4D Script: Conditional Statements

- ▶ `if(e1,e2,e3)`
 - e1 = condition
 - e2 = true logic
 - e3 = false logic, not mandatory => 0 is returned

- ▶ and/or allowed in condition

- ▶ Example:

```
if(  
  comparetext(Label({ok},i),[yes]),  
  negexp(10),  
  negexp(50)  
)
```

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Repeat Statements (1)

- ▶ `repeat(e1,e2)`
 - executes e2, e1 times
 - 'count' returns the current iteration number

- ▶ Example for "4dScript Interact":

```
repeat(  
  content(animatom),  
  msg(  
    concat(  
      [The product ranked number ],  
      string(count),  
      [ is named ],  
      name(rank(count,animatom))  
    )  
  )  
)
```

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Repeat Statements (2)

- ▶ `loopuntil(e1,e2,e3)`
 - e1 = condition
 - e2 = statements
 - e3 = maximum repetitions
- ▶ use 'count' for the current number of loops made
- ▶ omitting e3 might result in endless loop

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sum statement

- ▶ `sum(e1,e2)`
 - executes e2, e1 times and returns the sum
- ▶ Example for total output across several atoms:
`sum(nric(c),output(in(count,c)))`

Similar words:

- ▶ maximum
- ▶ minimum
- ▶ mean
- ▶ stdev

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indexmin statement

- ▶ **indexmin (e1, e2)**
 - executes e2, e1 times and returns the count at which e2 had the lowest value.
- ▶ Example for sending to channel connected to atom with the lowest content:


```
indexmin(nroc(c), content(out(count,c)))
```

Similar words:

- ▶ **indexmax**
- ▶ **indexmatch**
- ▶ **indexmatchclosest**
- ▶ **indexmatchrank**

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case statement

- ▶ **case (e1, e2, e3 {, e4 . . . e25})**
 - e1 = defines case number to be executed (result must be 1 to number of cases)
 - e2 = case 1 statement
 - e3 = case 2 statement
 - etc.

▶ Example for user interface:

```
case (
  popupmenu(200,100, [happy/sad/mad]),
  msg([This is case 1],1),
  msg([This is case 2],2),
  msg([This is case 3],3)
)
```

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Atom Statistics

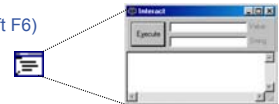
Is available for every atom at any time:

- ▶ **age** - time from creation or reset
- ▶ **content** - current number of atoms contained in an atom
- ▶ **avgcontent** - average number of atoms contained in an atom since reset
- ▶ **avgstay** - average time (sec.) atoms have stayed in an atom since reset
- ▶ **input** - the number of atoms which have entered
- ▶ **output** - the number of atoms which have exited
- ▶ **status** - the state of an atom (see table of atom T029-Statuslist)
- ▶ **entrytime** - time (sec.) at which an atom has entered

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4DScript Editor

- ▶ To delete code make block
 - backspace
 - delete
- ▶ Caution! When "Auto Brackets" is on:
 - press backspace to select code between matching ()
 - press backspace twice to delete code between matching ()
- ▶ Interact window (shift F6)
 - Apply 4DScript directly on model

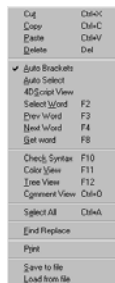


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4DScript Editor Functionality

Right mouse click for functionality list:

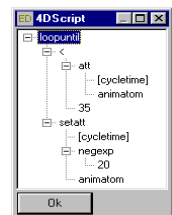
- ▶ Auto Brackets
- ▶ Auto Select
- ▶ 4Dscript View
- ▶ Select Word (F2)
- ▶ Previous Word (F3)
- ▶ Next Word (F4)
- ▶ Get Word (F8)
- ▶ Check Syntax (F10)



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4DScript Editor Functionality

- ▶ Color View (F11)
- ▶ Tree View (F12)
- ▶ Comment View (Ctrl+O)
- ▶ Select All (Ctrl+A)
- ▶ Find Replace
- ▶ Print
- ▶ Save to file
- ▶ Load from file



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Part 6: Atom Referencing

- ▶ About atom referencing
- ▶ In Entry and Exit triggers
- ▶ Direct referencing
- ▶ Relative referencing

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About atom referencing

- ▶ Referencing in ED is like using a pointer
- ▶ You need to reference other atoms to:
 - get information or data from that atom
 - send atoms or messages to other atoms
- ▶ To refer to an atom is in general always relative
- ▶ Relative referencing is used because:
 - it is needed in an object oriented environment !!
 - everything is an atom (model, product, machine...)
 - it is fast

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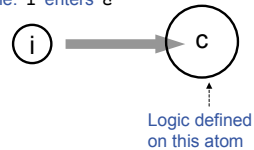
In entry/exit triggers

- ▶ Current "c" & Involved "i"
- ▶ 'c' is current atom or the atom where the statement is written on
- ▶ 'i' is the involved atom (= the atom that triggered an eventhandler)

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Entry/Exit Triggers

- ▶ Example: 'i' enters 'c'



- ▶ 'c' refers to atom which is being entered/exited atom by other atom
- ▶ 'i' refers to entering/exiting atom

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Labels and entry/exit triggers

- ▶ On entry/exit triggers, the following shortcuts may be used:
 - querying
 - `c.labelname`
 - `i.labelname`
 - updating
 - `c.labelname:=value/[string]`
 - `i.labelname:=value/[string]`
- ▶ Examples
 - `i.producttype:=[halfproduct]`
 - `c.setuptime:=30`
 - `i.producttype:=0`

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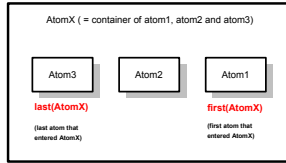
Direct Atom Referencing

- ▶ Sometimes atoms can be referenced directly:
 - `library` = library atom
 - `model` = model atom
 - `treatom` = currently selected atom in treeview
 - `animatom` = currently selected atom in 2D animation window
 - `atombyname ([e1], e2)` = atom with name e1 in container e2
 - if tables have aliases you can use the table name direct

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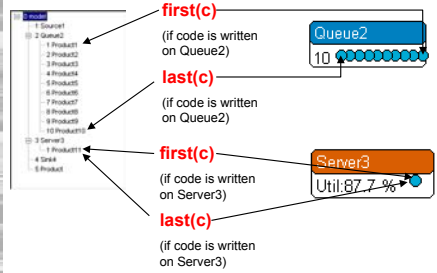
Relative Atom Referencing (1)

- All other referencing is relative: start from the atom where statement is written (=c):
 - first(e1)** = first atom inside atom e1
 - last(e1)** = last atom inside atom e1



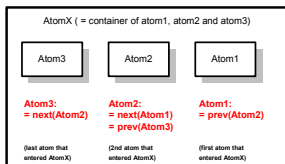
Relative Atom Referencing (2)

- Example



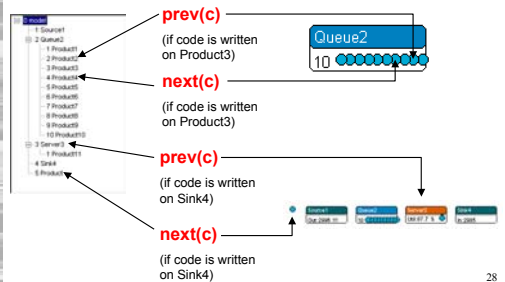
Relative Atom Referencing (3)

- next(e1)** = the atom next of atom e1 in same container
- prev(e1)** = the atom previous of atom e1 in same container



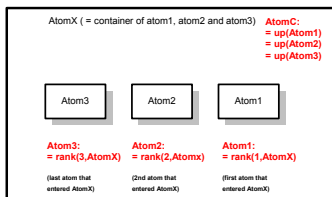
Relative Atom Referencing (4)

- Example



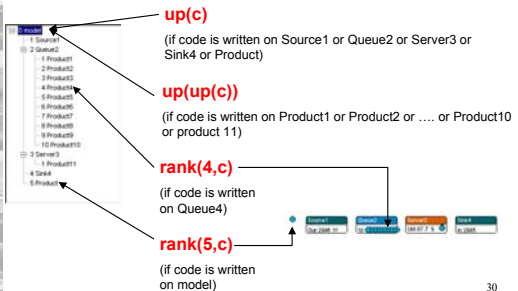
Relative Atom Referencing (5)

- up(e1)** = container of atom e1
- rank(e1, e2)** = atom at position e1 in queue of atom e2



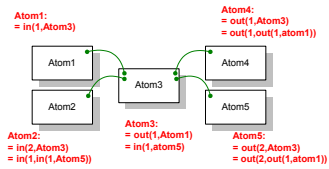
Relative Atom Referencing (6)

- Example



Relative Atom Referencing (7)

- `in(e1,e2)` = atom connected to input channel e1 of atom e2
- `out(e1,e2)` = atom connected to output channel e1 of atom e2



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Atom reference (Summary)

- ▶ “c” will always refer to the atom you write the code on!
- ▶ “i” is only used to refer to the product that caused a trigger to execute.
- ▶ Do not use “i” on other places than triggers, for example: **first(c)** is used in Cycletime field to refer to the first product.
- ▶ Use `animatom`, `treeatom` only for debugging purposes (Interactive window) and not in code on atoms.

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