

Simulace procesů se dvěma časovými škálami
pomocí Equation-Based Modeling
*(How to transform an ODE system describing
slow-fast phenomena to a PDE based model
and solve it using COMSOL Multiphysics)*

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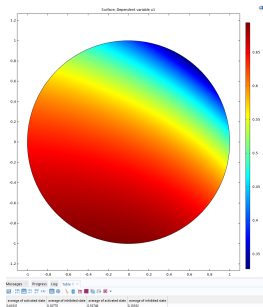
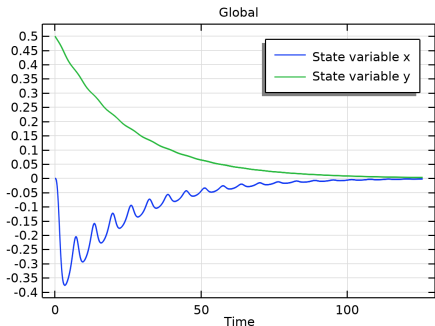
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Remembering COMSOL conference 2021:

Transformace ODR s harmonickým buzením na PDR

Efficient Solution of a Parameter Estimation Problem using Equation-Based Modeling in COMSOL



It was one encouraging example *"how to transform ODEs into PDEs"*.
And now for something not completely different...

How to transform ODEs into PDEs ?

Exosystem as the harmonic input signal generator \rightarrow ODEs are transformed to a **stationary PDE system** (2) .

Defining harmonic input $u(t)$ (with angular frequency ω) as follows:
 $u(t) = K(1 - \cos(\omega t)) = K(1 - w_2)$, where $\mathbf{w}(t) = [\sin(\omega t), \cos(\omega t)]^T$.
Then, the input signal can be generated by an external autonomous system, so-called **EXO SYSTEM**:

$$\dot{\mathbf{w}}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{w}_1 \\ \dot{w}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \omega \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} = \omega S \mathbf{w}, \quad (1)$$

and further

$$\dot{x} = \nabla x(w(t)) \dot{w}(t) = \omega \nabla x(w) S w = [\mathcal{A} + u(w)\mathcal{B}]x(w), \quad (2)$$

where $\nabla x := [\nabla x_1, \nabla x_2, \nabla x_3]^T$, and $\nabla x_i = [\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial w_1}, \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial w_2}]$.

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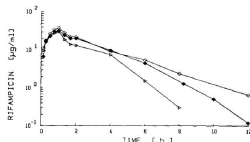


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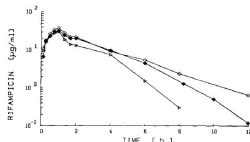


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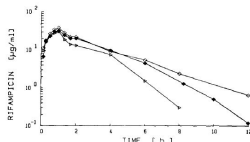


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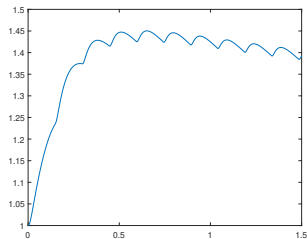
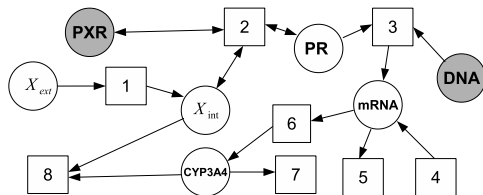
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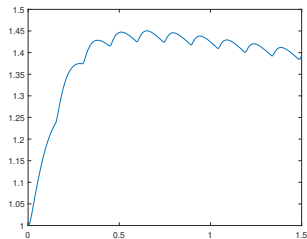
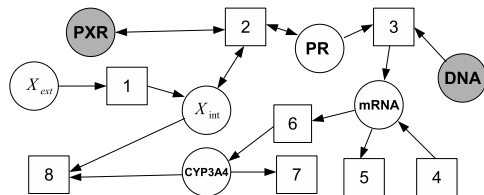
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(one simple) Two time-scale process #2:

Initial value problem of a pendulum with slowly changing length

Using (4) the ODE (5) is transformed \rightarrow PDE with two ‘almost independent’ time variables (defining the computational domain).

ODE describing the position y (an angle) is following

$$\frac{d^2 y(t, \epsilon t)}{dt^2} + \omega^2 y = 0, \quad (5)$$

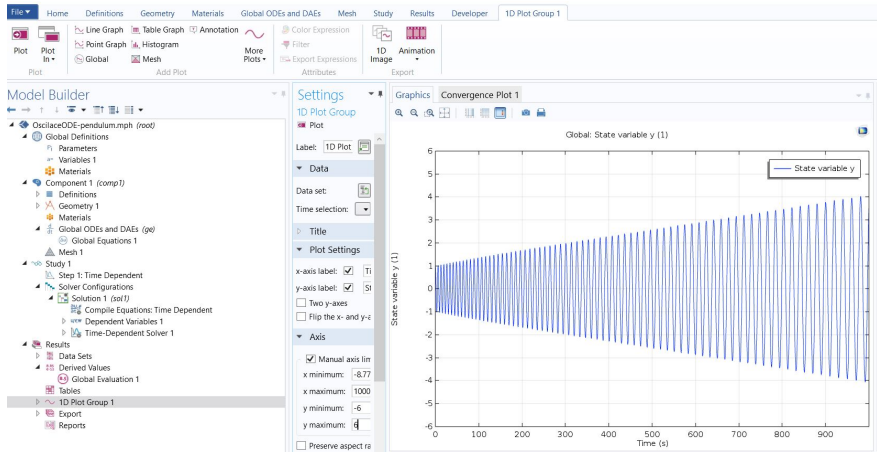
with I.C. : $y(0) = 1, \dot{y}(0) = 0,$

and $\boxed{\omega^2 = \frac{g}{l(\epsilon t)}}$ where $l = l_0(1 + \epsilon t).$



Eventually, let us start with COMSOL Multiphysics!

1st step: The Global ODEs and DAEs (ge) interface under the Mathematics branch



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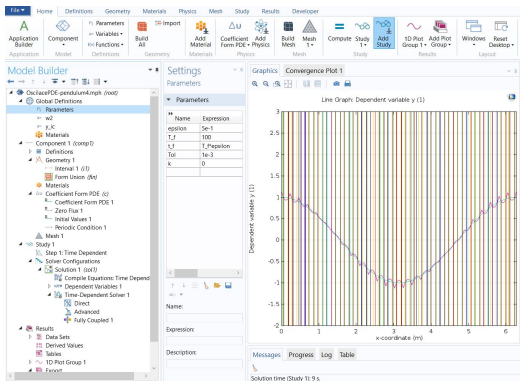
The screenshot displays the COMSOL Multiphysics software interface. The top menu bar includes File, Home, Definitions, Geometry, Materials, Physics, Mesh, Study, Results, and Developer. The main workspace is divided into several panes:

- Model Builder:** Shows a hierarchical tree of the model. The 'Coefficient Form PDE (c)' node is selected, with sub-nodes for 'Coefficient Form PDE 1', 'Zero Flux 1', 'Initial Values 1', and 'Periodic Condition 1'.
- Settings:** The 'Parameters' table is visible, listing parameters such as ϵ , T_f , L_f , T_{tol} , and k .
- Graphics:** A 'Convergence Plot 1' window is open, showing a 'Line Graph Dependent variable y (t)'. The plot displays a highly oscillatory function with a smooth underlying trend, characteristic of a multi-scale problem. The x-axis is labeled 'x-coordinate (m)' and ranges from 0 to 6. The y-axis is labeled 'Dependent variable y (t)' and ranges from -2 to 3.

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Thanks for your kind attention!

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– Stephen Hawking
(1942-2018)

