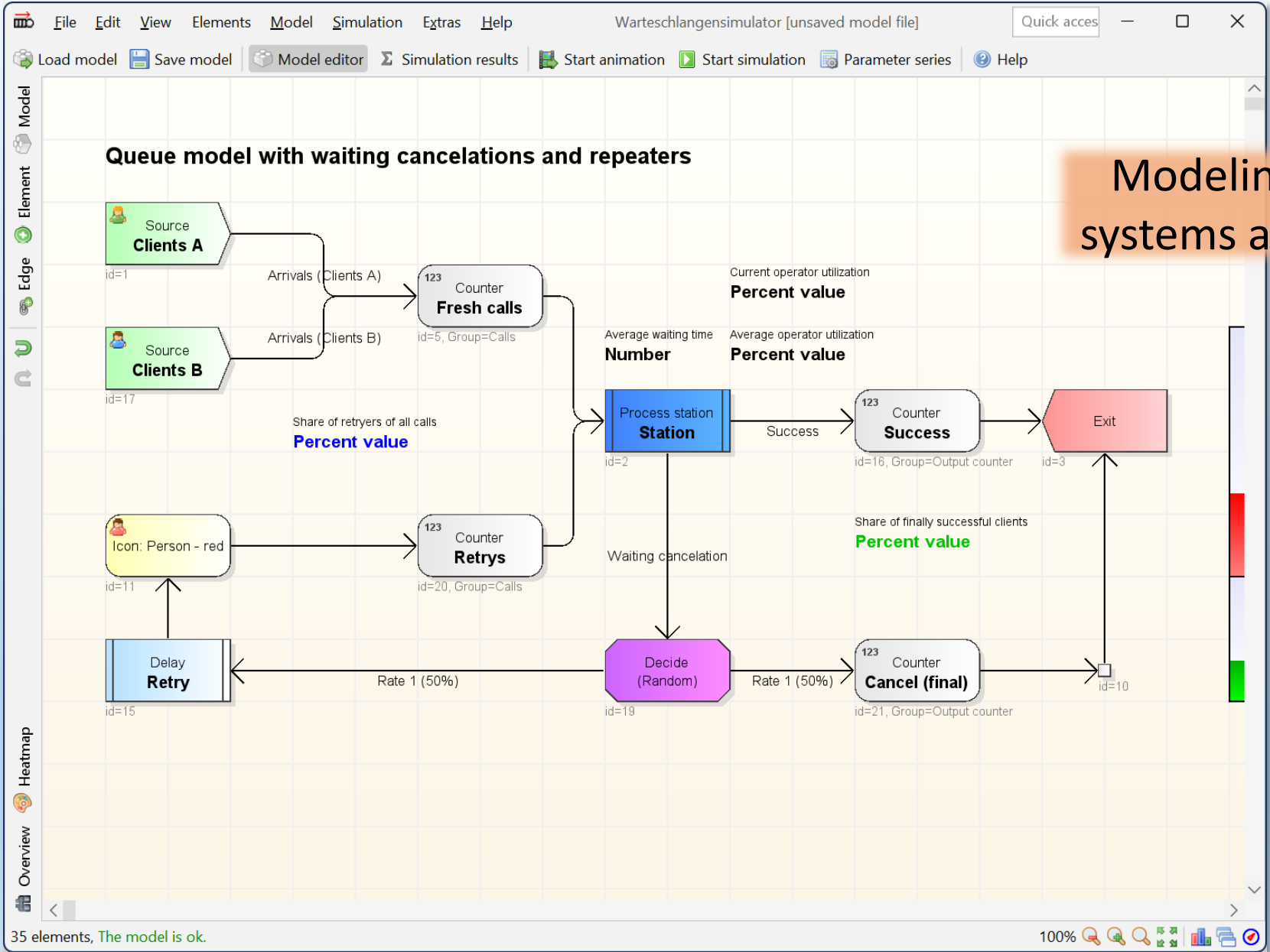


Warteschlangensimulator
Fast and versatile event-driven
stochastic simulator



Modeling queueing systems as flow charts

Input/Output

Database source

Excel DDE source

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Multi source

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Source Clients

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Delay (Script)

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Assign string

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Counter

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Difference counter

+/-

Enter section

Leave section

Multi counter

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Script

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ABC

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Pick up

Separate

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Transport

Assign sequence

Conveyor

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Transport origin

Transporter start

Data input/output

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Input (DB)

Input (DDE)

Input (Script)

Output

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Animation

Alarm

Icon: Person - blue

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Property Value

Title Text

Animation - Interactive

Button

Checkbox

Option

Optical decorations

Description text

Others

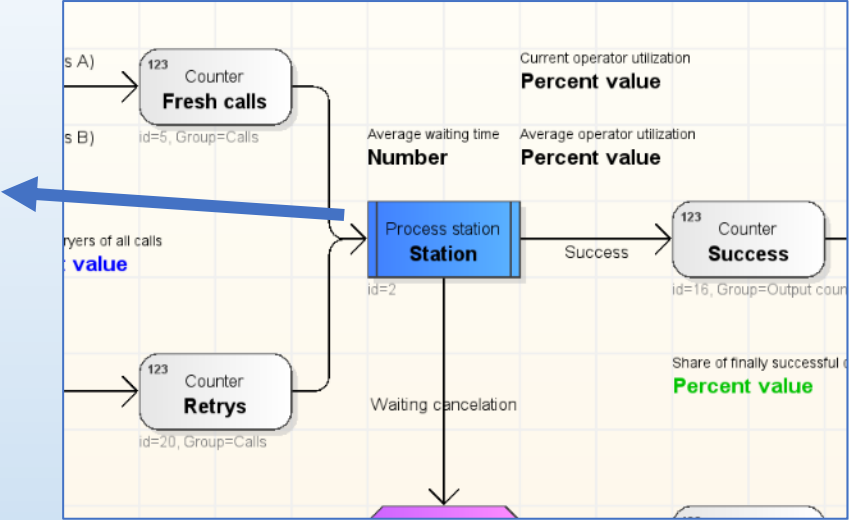
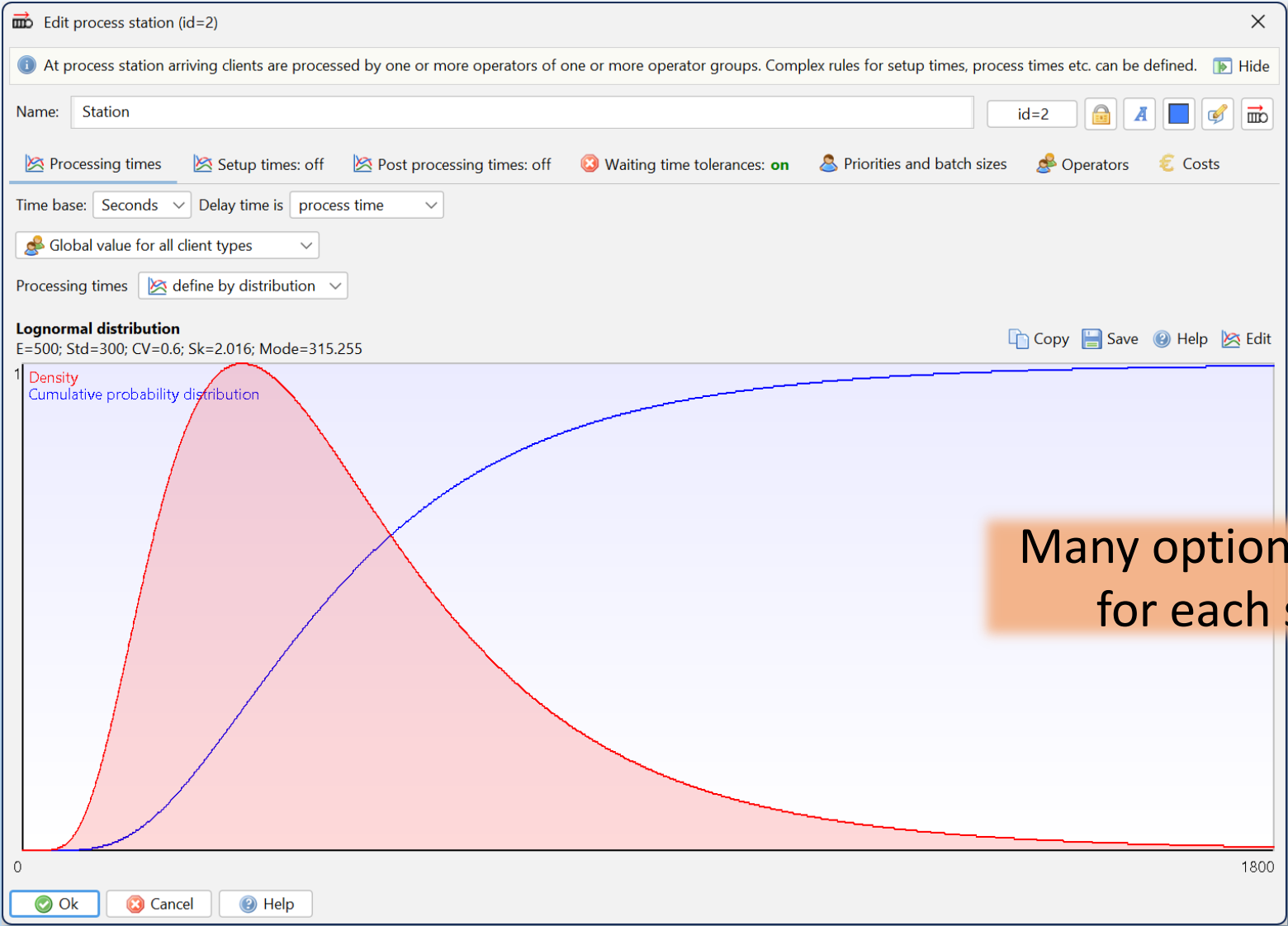
Action

Reference

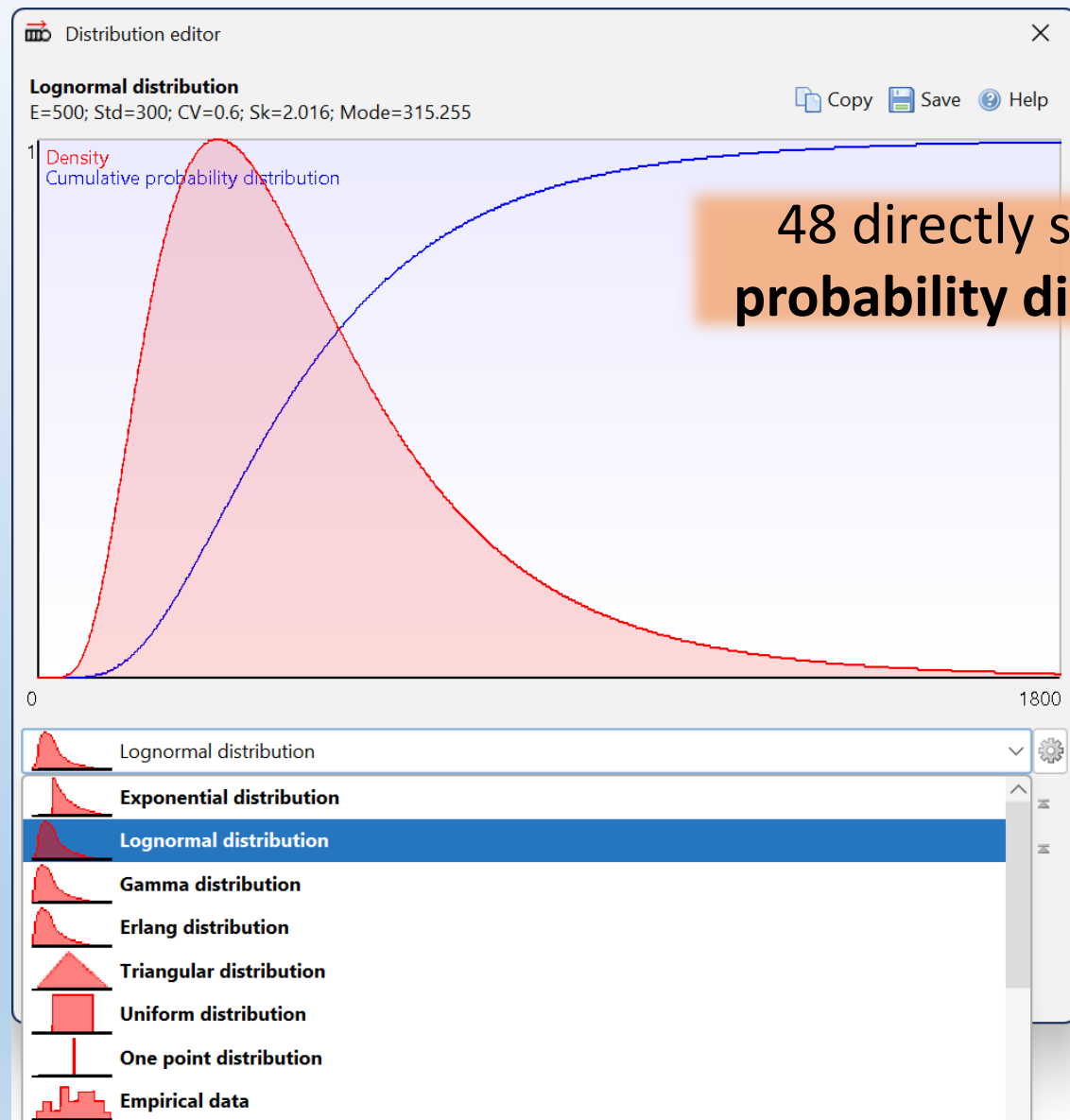
Statistics

Sub model

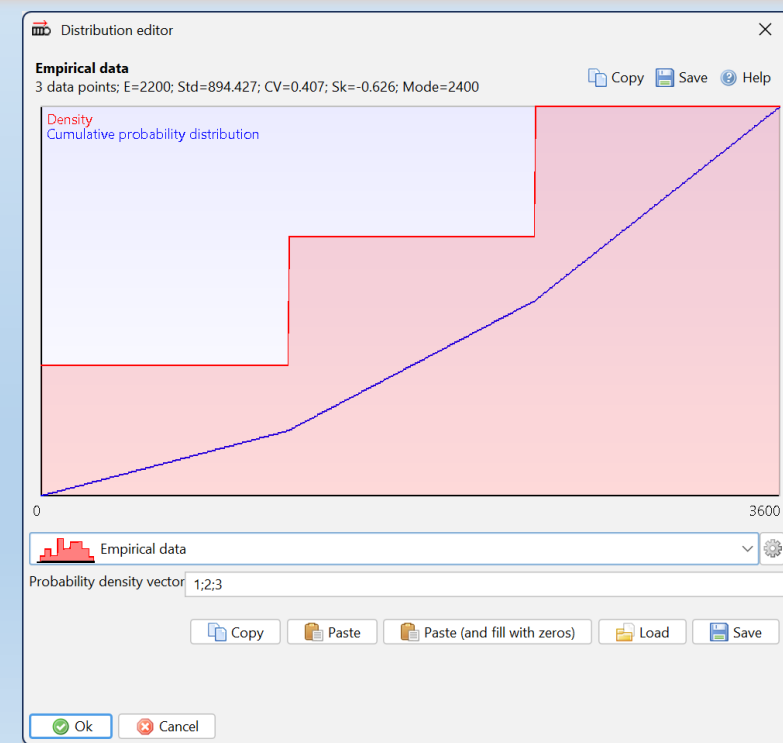
More than 100 station types available

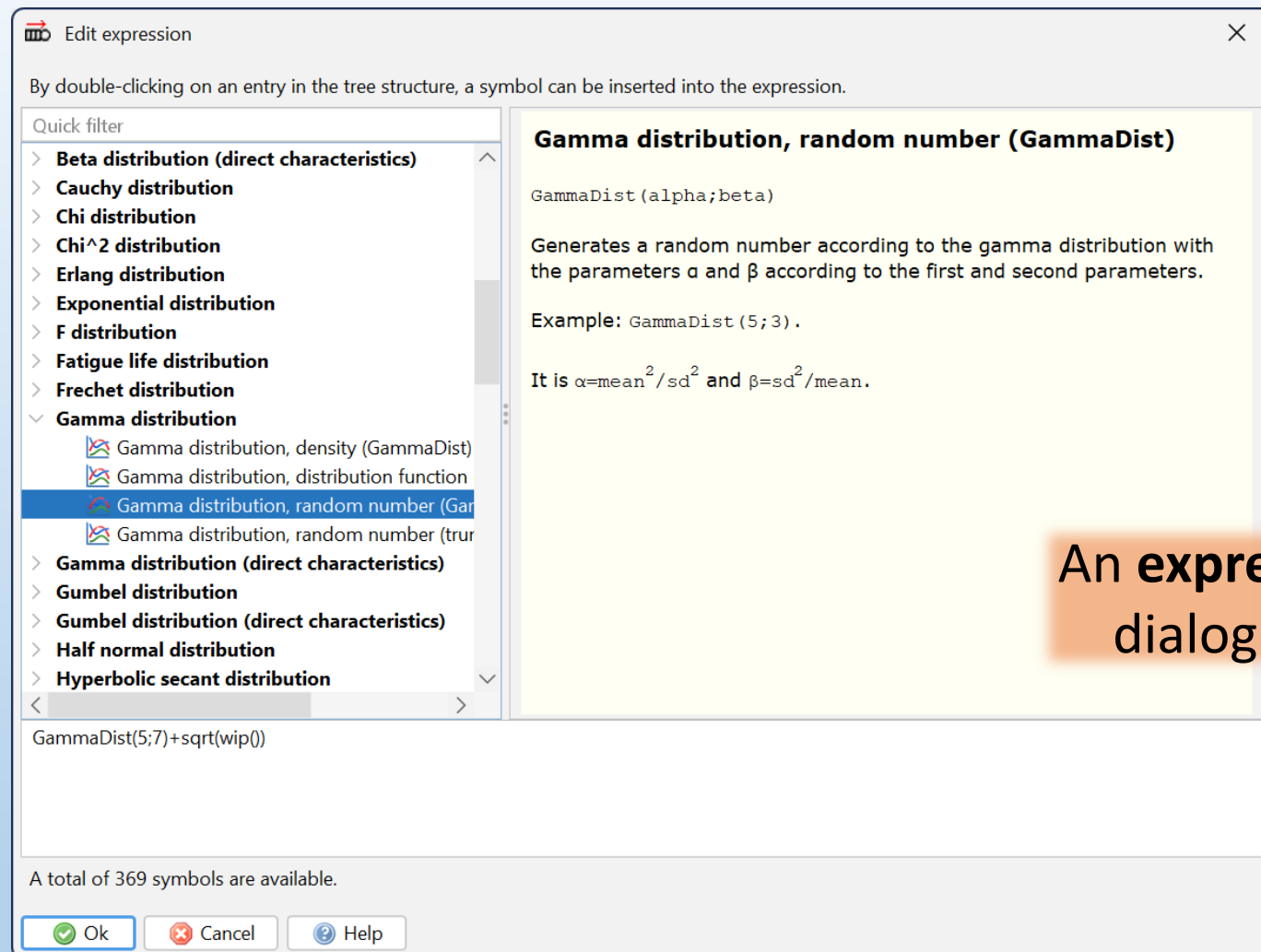


Many optional settings
for each station



... including the option to use loaded empirical data





Calculation expressions
can also be used

An expression builder
dialog is available

Model properties

Model description

Simulation

Statistics

Clients

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Transporters

Schedules

Sequences


Initial variable values

This page lists all types of clients that appear in the model. Here no new client types can be created, but only the display mode of the clients of the existing types can be adjusted.



Clients A

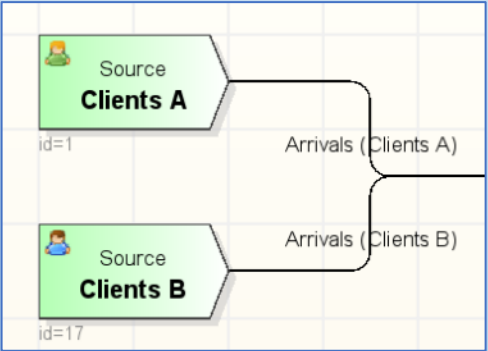
Custom color in diagrams



Clients B

Custom color in diagrams

Multiple client types can be used



Each type can have an individual parameters

Processing times


Setup times: off

Post processing times: off

Waiting time tolerances:


Time base: Seconds

Delay time is process time




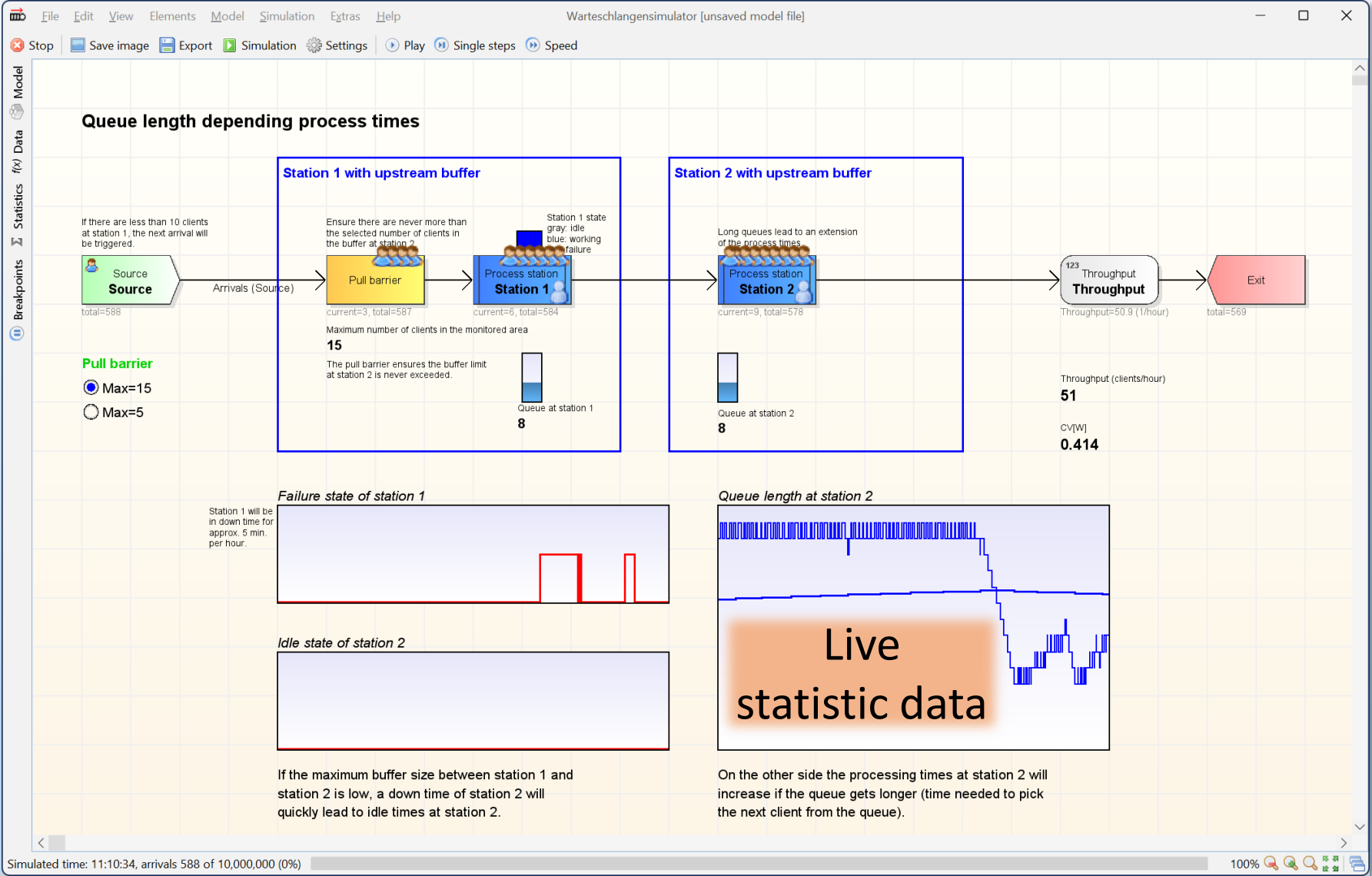
Individual value for type "Clients A"

☒ Use global default

 Load client types...

Processing times

 define by distribution



Animation of models

... which can be recorded as videos

Live statistic data

Process station (id=1)

CopySaveUpdate

Updates the information each second

DataWaiting clientsAll clients

Running number: 100, id=2143788382, Client type: Clients A (id=0)

w=00:00:00, t=00:00:00, p=00:00:00, v=00:00:00 (on arrival at station)

Numeric client data fields: 0, text-based client data fields: 0

Running number: 110, id=985996482, Client type: Clients A (id=0)

w=00:00:00, t=00:00:00, p=00:00:00, v=00:00:00 (on arrival at station)

Numeric client data fields: 0, text-based client data fields: 0

Running number: 112, id=809571122, Client type: Clients B (id=1)

w=00:00:00, t=00:00:00, p=00:00:00, v=00:00:00 (on arrival at station)

Numeric client data fields: 0, text-based client data fields: 0

3 clients are waiting at the stations.

CloseHelp

Current station data can be displayed during animation

... and also changed while animation is running

Client data

GeneralTimes

Running number: 112

ID: 809571122

Client type: Clients B (id=1)

Icon:

Current station: Process station (id=1)

☐ Client was created during warm-up phase

☒ Record client to statistics

CloseEdit client data

Warteschlangensimulator [unsaved model file]

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Model overview

Arrivals and leavings

Clients at the stations

Number of clients at the stations (Table)

Number of clients at the stations (Table)

Number of clients at the stations (Table)

Number of clients in the queues (Table)

Number of clients in the queues (Table)

Number of clients in service process (Table)

Number of clients in service process (Table)

Distributions by state

Times of the clients

Waiting, transfer and processing time (Table)

Waiting, transfer and processing time (Table)

Ratio of waiting to process times (Graph)

Distributions by time

Times at the stations

Waiting, transfer and process times (Table)

Waiting, transfer and process times (Table)

Flow factors at the stations (Table)

Waiting times at the stations (Graph)

Process times at the stations (Graph)

Residence times at the stations (Graph)

Flow factors at the stations (Graphic)

Waiting, transfer and process times (Table)

Waiting, transfer and process times (Table)

Flow factors by client types (Table)

Waiting times by client types (Graph)

Process times by client types (Graph)

Residence times by client types (Graph)

Flow factors by client types (Graphic)

Results overview

Simulation model

Name: Queue length depending process times

Simulated clients: 10,000,333

Additionally in advance as warm-up phase: 100,000 (1%)

details

Average number of clients

Average number of clients (by station) E[N]

Clients in system: 13.128

Clients at Process station "Station 1" (id=2): E[N]=1.872

Clients at Process station "Station 2" (id=10): E[N]=3.128

Clients at Pull barrier (id=9): E[N]=8.128

details

Average number of clients in the queues (by stations) E[NQ]

Clients in system (waiting): 11.335

Clients in queue at Process station "Station 1" (id=2): E[NQ]=1.024

Clients in queue at Process station "Station 2" (id=10): E[NQ]=2.183

Clients in queue at Pull barrier (id=9): E[NQ]=8.128

details

Average number of clients in service process (by stations) E[NS]

Clients in system in service process: 1.793

Clients in service process at Process station "Station 1" (id=2): E[NS]=0.848

Clients in service process at Process station "Station 2" (id=10): E[NS]=0.944

details

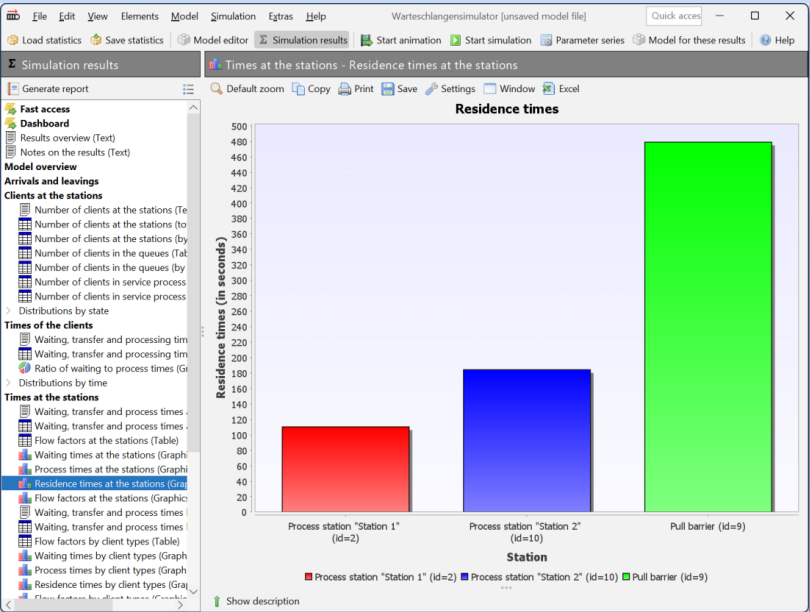
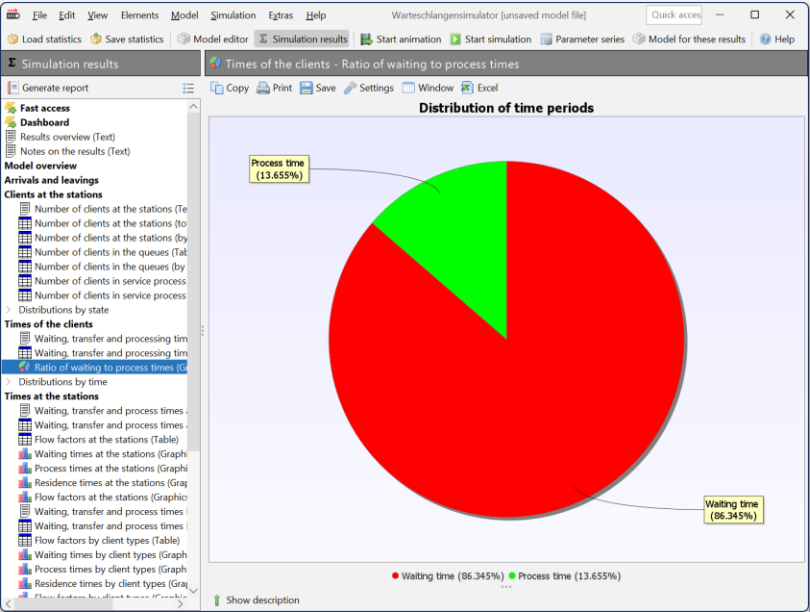
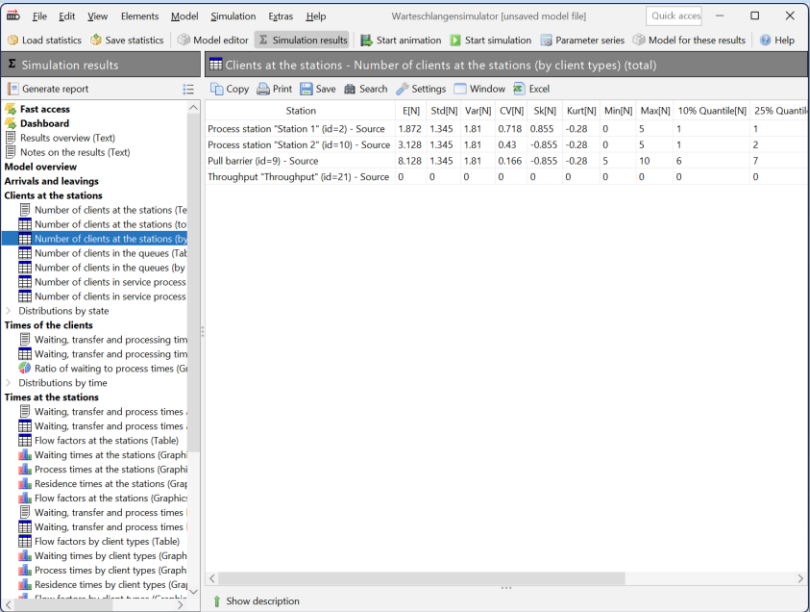
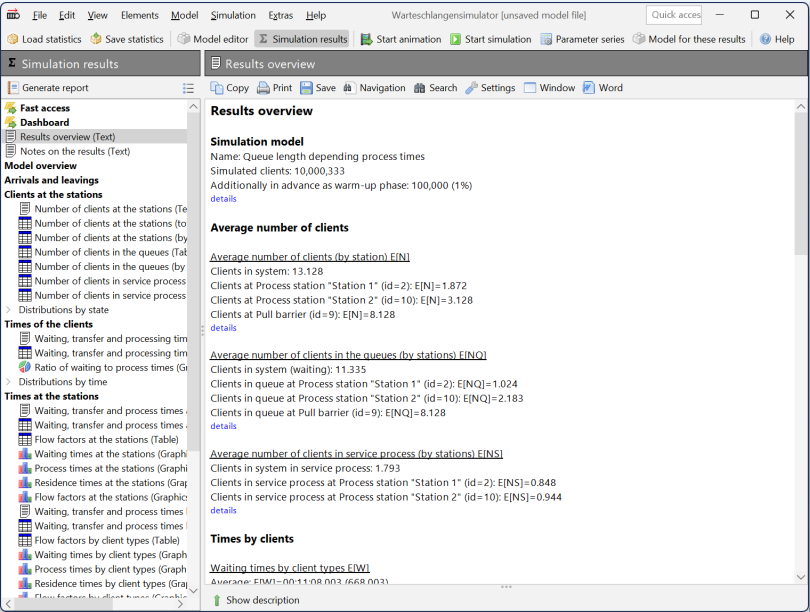
Times by clients

Waiting times by client types E[W]

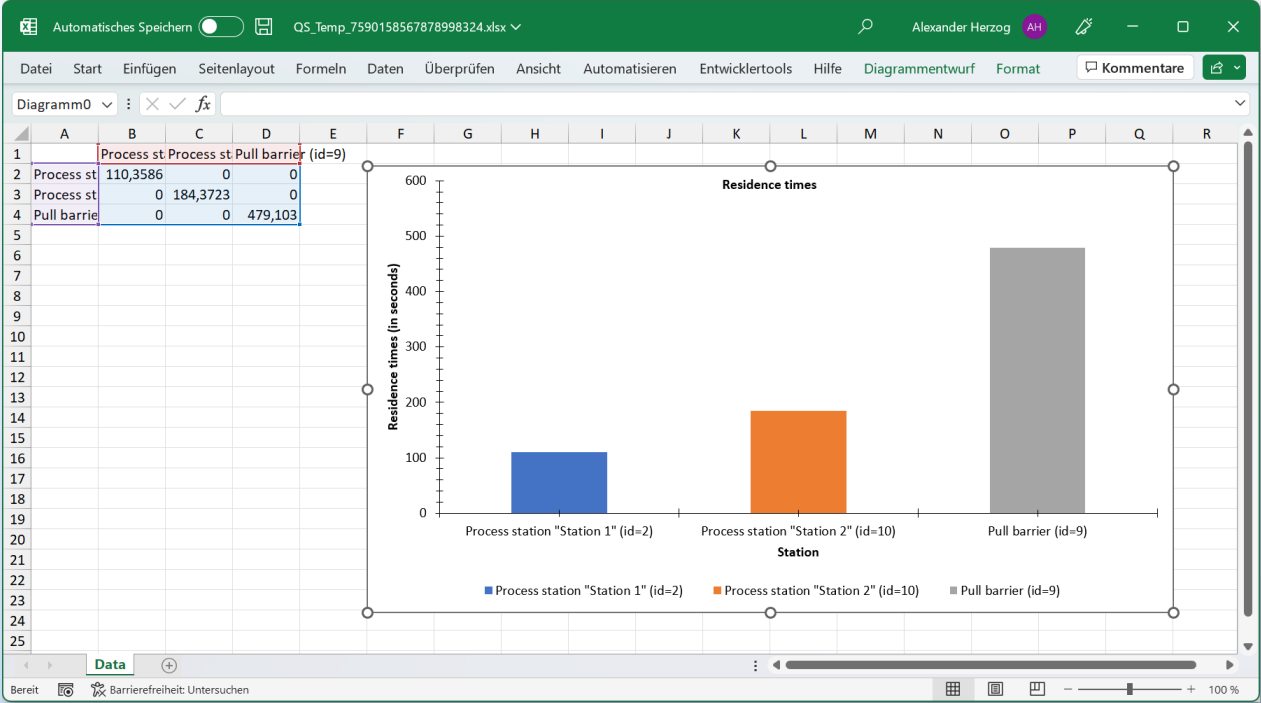
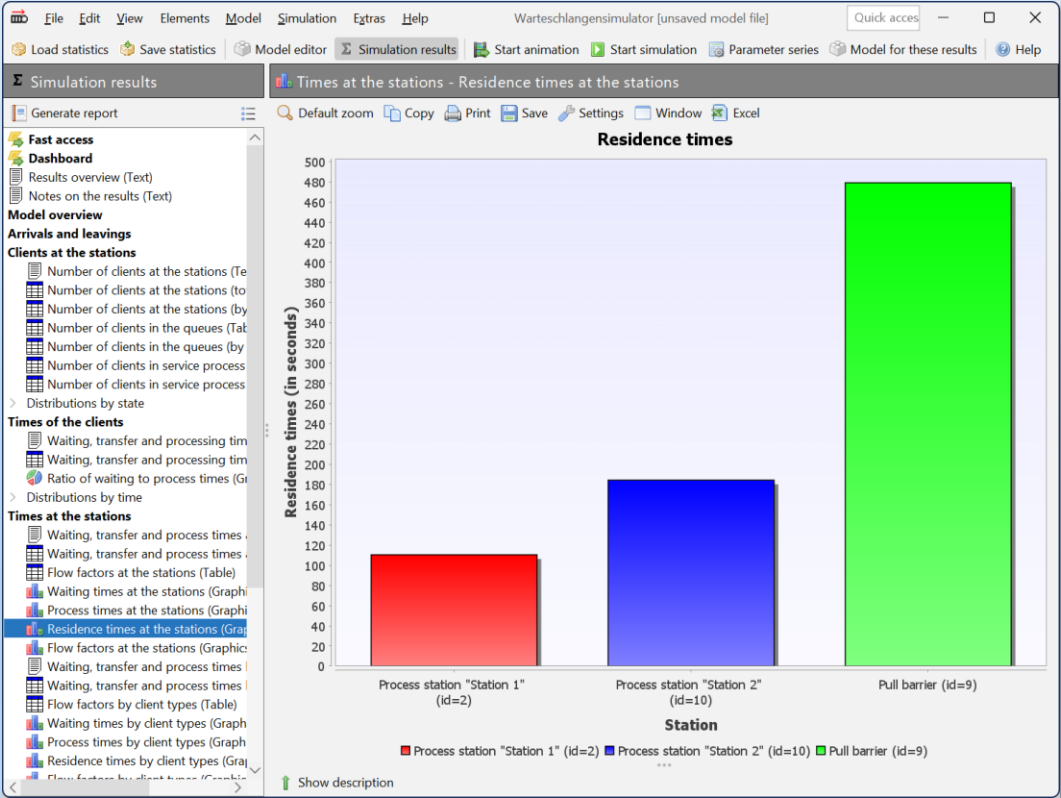
Average: E[W]=00:11:08.003 / 668.003

Show description

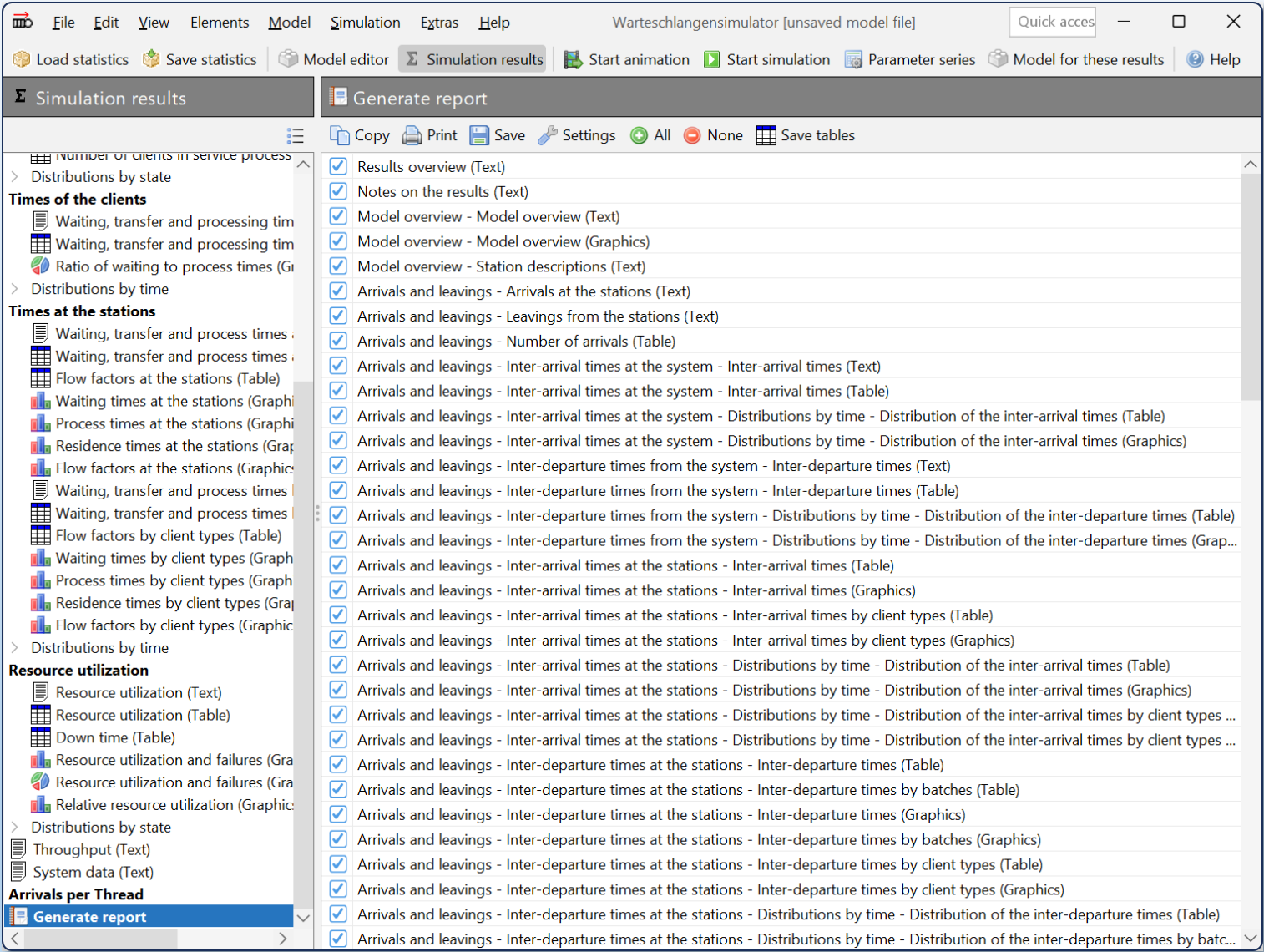
Full statistic recording
without explicit configuration



Results available as texts, tables and charts



Excel export of tables
and charts available

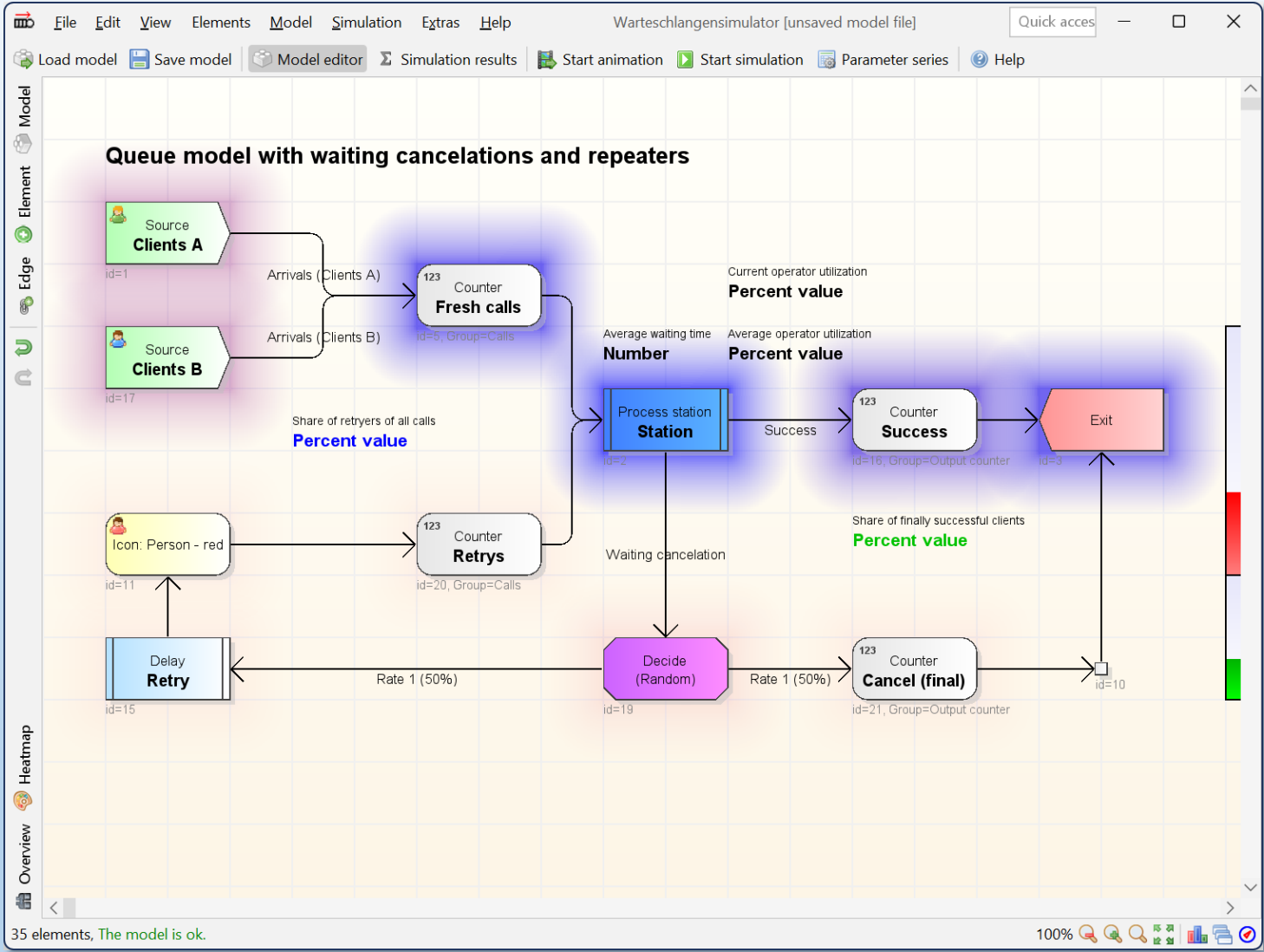


Report generator
supporting docx, pdf,
tex and html

html Reports can be saved
as interactive web viewers



Visualizing simulation results as heatmaps



Select heatmap mode

Using a heat map, the values of specific performance indicators can be visualized directly on the drawing surface after a completed simulation.

Hide

Do not show heatmap

Heatmap: Average number of clients at a station

Heatmap: Average number of waiting clients at a station

Heatmap: Average number of clients in the service process at a station

Heatmap: Maximum number of clients at a station

Heatmap: Maximum number of waiting clients at a station

Heatmap: Maximum number of clients in the service process at a station

Heatmap: Number of arrivals at a station

Heatmap: Average waiting time at a station

Heatmap: Average transfer time at a station

Heatmap: Average process time at a station

Heatmap: Average residence time at a station

Heatmap: Flow factor at a station

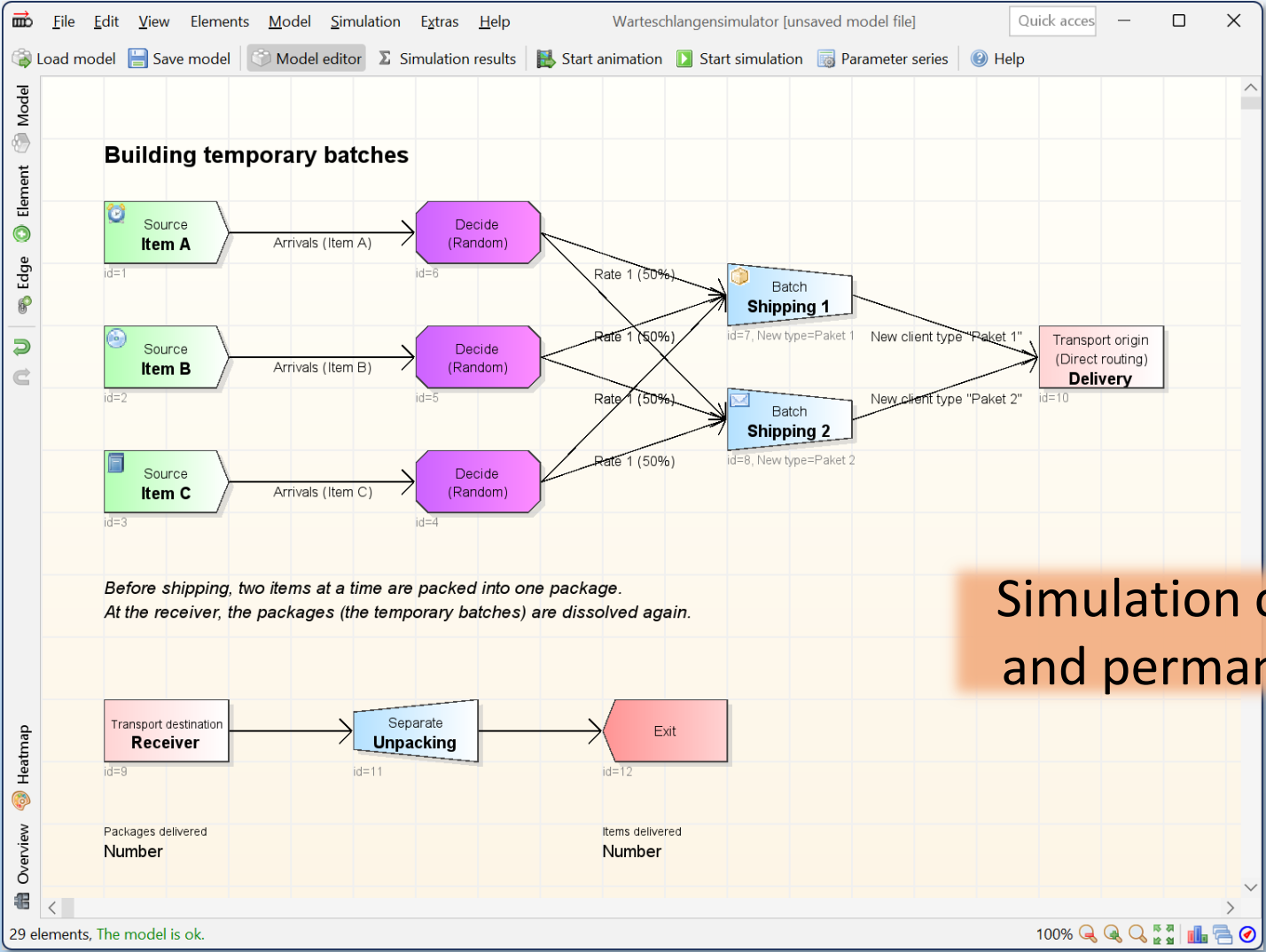
Heatmap: Throughput at a station

Heatmap: Maximum throughput at a station

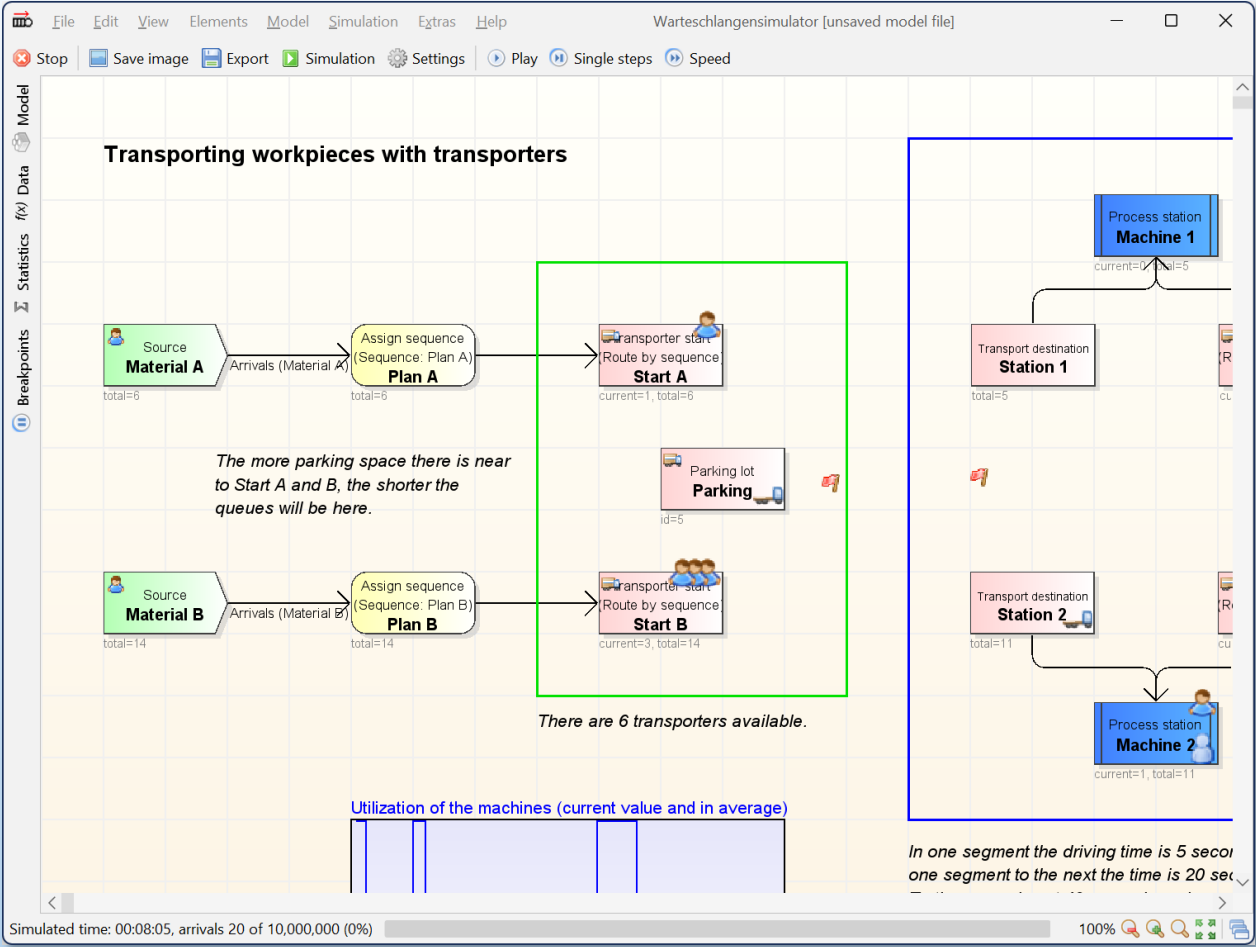
The statistical data from the last simulation is used as the basis for displaying the heat map.

Close

Setup heatmap...

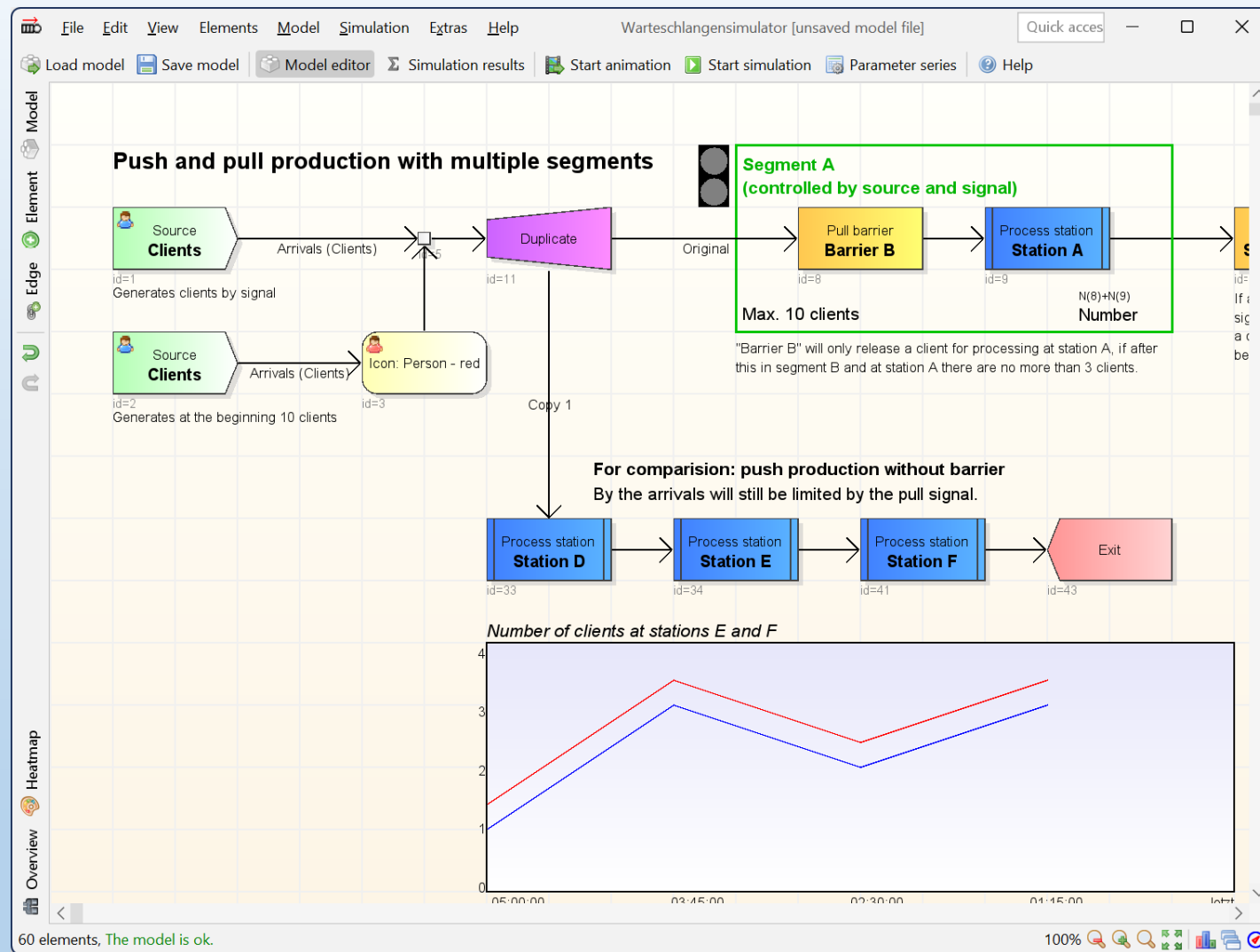


Simulation of temporary and permanent batches

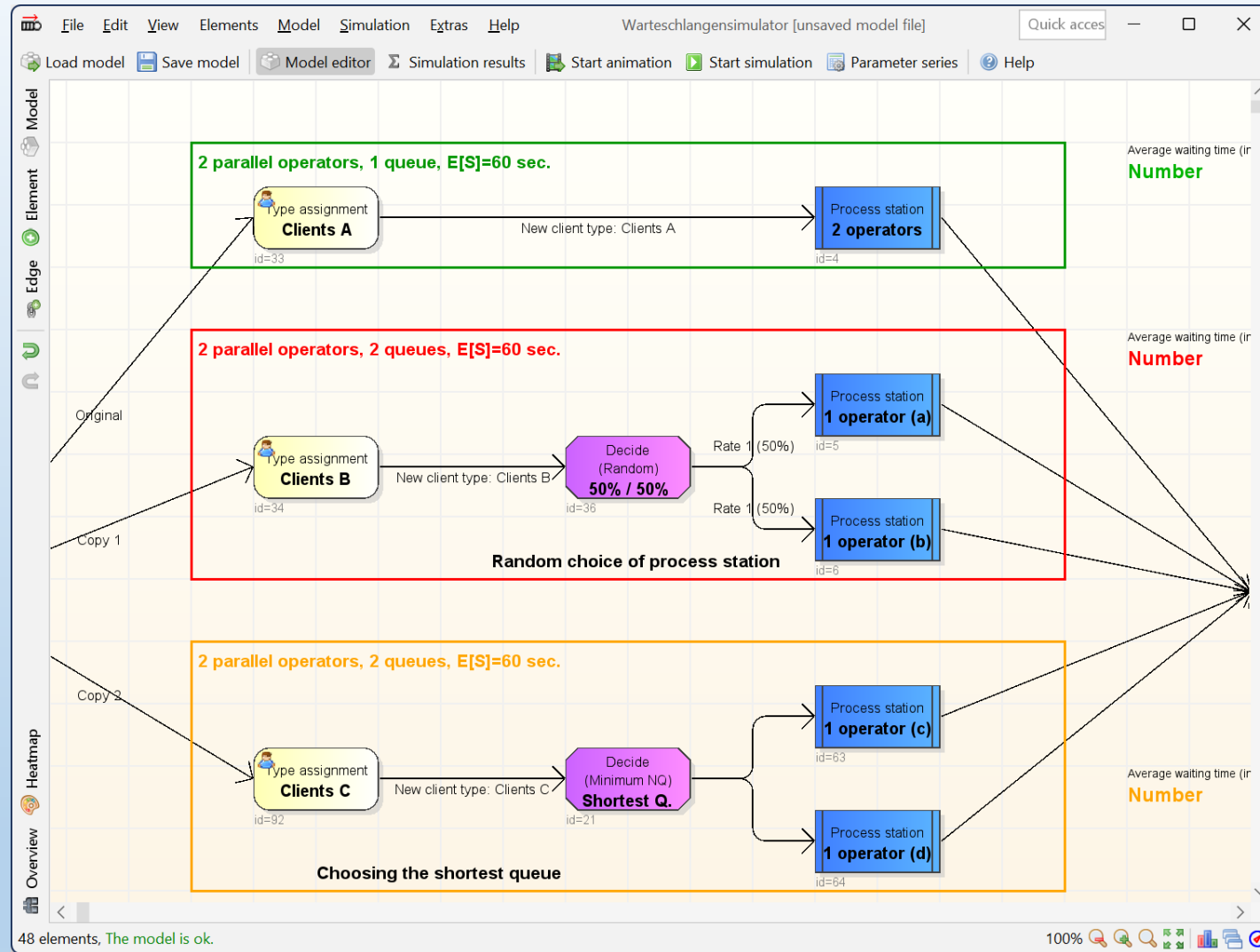


The "Edit transporter" dialog box is shown. It has a title bar "Edit transporter" and a close button. The "Name of the transporter type:" field is set to "Transporter". The "Capacity and appearance" tab is selected, showing a "Capacity per transporter:" of 1. The "Icon for moving to the right (empty):" is set to "Lorry (empty)". The "Icon for moving to the left (empty):" is set to "Lorry to the left (empty)". The "Icon for moving to the right (loaded):" is set to "Lorry". The "Icon for moving to the left (loaded):" is set to "Lorry to the left". The "Ok", "Cancel", and "Help" buttons are at the bottom.

Simulation of transport processes using **transporters**



Push/pull production – and any other kind of condition-based barriers, signals etc.



Branching clients by conditions,
by chance, script-based, etc.

Using **external data** for client arrivals
and parameters in simulation process

Load client arrivals from table (id=1)

Client sources are the starting point of the client's movement through the system. Table source allow to load the concrete client arrival times from an external table file.

Name: id=1

Table mode: Use processed table

Table file: Arrivals.xlsx

Interpretation of the time data

☒ Values are time stamps

☐ Values are distances between arrivals

☐ Read table from bottom to top

Load client types from table:

Clients A
Clients B
Clients C

Load client types from table

Ok

Cancel

Help

Edit database output (id=2)

If a client passes this station, one or more current values are appended as a new row to a database table.

Name: id=2

☒ Output active?

Database type: SQLite

Connection settings:

Configuration: SQLite file

User name:

Password:

No connection to database available.

Table:

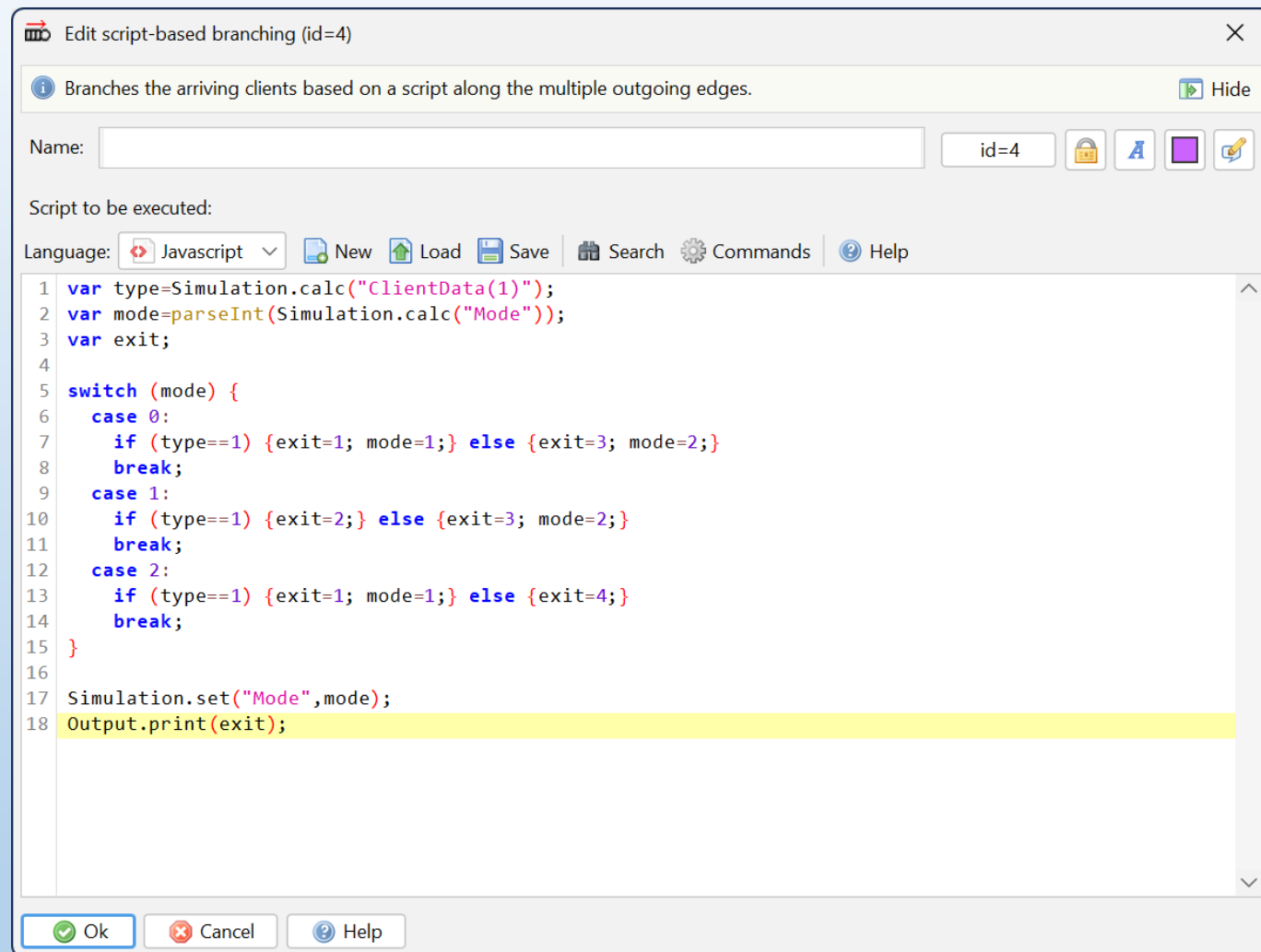
Output		Additional data	Database table column
Current simulation time	<input type="text"/>	no additional data	<input type="text"/>
Calculated expression	<input type="text"/>	wip()	<input type="text"/>
Add output element			

Direct output of simulation data also supported

Ok

Cancel

Help



Edit script-based branching (id=4)

Branches the arriving clients based on a script along the multiple outgoing edges. [Hide](#)

Name: id=4

Script to be executed:

Language: Javascript [New](#) [Load](#) [Save](#) [Search](#) [Commands](#) [Help](#)

```
1 var type=Simulation.calc("ClientData(1)");
2 var mode=parseInt(Simulation.calc("Mode"));
3 var exit;
4
5 switch (mode) {
6   case 0:
7     if (type==1) {exit=1; mode=1;} else {exit=3; mode=2;}
8     break;
9   case 1:
10    if (type==1) {exit=2;} else {exit=3; mode=2;}
11    break;
12   case 2:
13    if (type==1) {exit=1; mode=1;} else {exit=4;}
14    break;
15 }
16
17 Simulation.set("Mode",mode);
18 Output.print(exit);
```

[Ok](#) [Cancel](#) [Help](#)

Scripts can be used for
modelling complex
control strategies

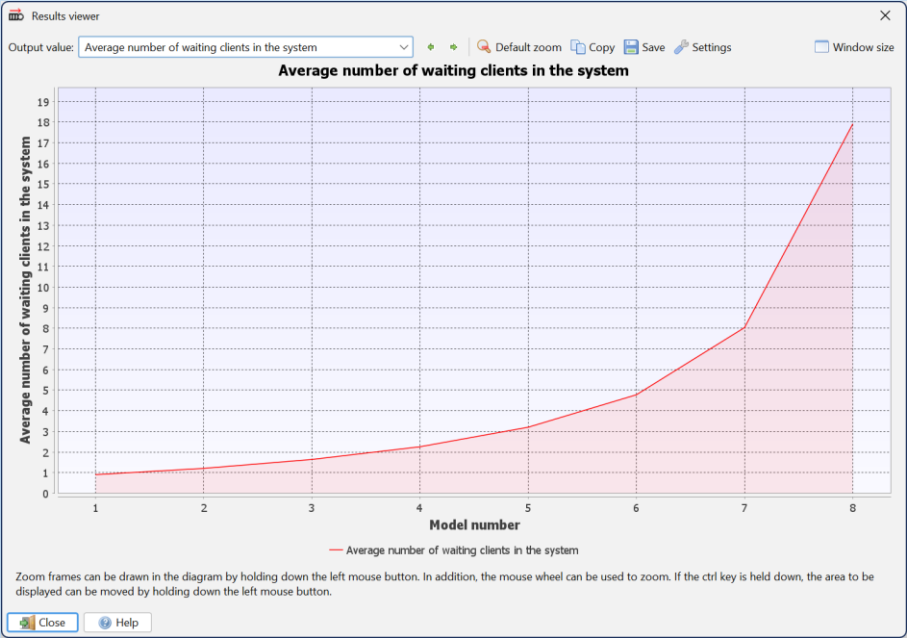
Supported languages:
Javascript and Java

The parameter series function can be used to investigate the effect of varying one or more parameters on the characteristics of the system. First, define the variables to be varied using the input parameters button, then use the output values function to select which characteristic values should be output in each step. Then you can use the buttons below the table to create models where the selected input parameters are varied and simulate them using "Start simulation".


Model	Input parameter Average service time	Output value Average number of clients in the system	Output value Average number of waiting clients in the system	Output value Waiting time for all clients	Output value Process time for all clients	Output value Resource utilization - Operators group	Control
Parameter seri...	60	1.503	0.903	00:01:30.2	00:01:00	60.051%	
Parameter seri...	65	1.858	1.208	00:02:00.9	00:01:05	64.999%	
Parameter seri...	70	2.339	1.639	00:02:43.9	00:01:10	70%	
Parameter seri...	75	3.006	2.256	00:03:45.5	00:01:15	75.005%	
Parameter seri...	80	4.003	3.202	00:05:20.2	00:01:20	80.022%	
Parameter seri...	85	5.626	4.776	00:07:57.6	00:01:25	84.997%	
Parameter seri...	90	8.932	8.033	00:13:24	00:01:30	89.932%	
Parameter seri...	95	18.846	17.895	00:29:50	00:01:35	95.015%	

Simulation step 7: Simulation of model Parameter series 7
Simulation step 8: Simulation of model Parameter series 8
The simulation of the parameter series was finished after 8 steps.
Total simulation time: 6 seconds, simulation time per steps: 1 seconds.


Fast and easy creation of parameter studies





Optimizer also built-in


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Warteschlangensimulator [unsaved model file]


 Start simulation server


 Start web server


 Start remote control server

 Start MQTT client

 Start DDE server

 Start socket server

 Close

 Help

Calculation server:

Port:

Password (optional):

☐ Limit requests

☐ Auto start

Web server:

Port:

☐ Auto start

Remote control server:

Port:

☐ Auto start

MQTT client:

Broker:

☐ Validate certificate

Topic:

Status topic:

Login data for web and remote control server and MQTT client:

Name:

Password:

DDE server:


☐ Auto start


Socket server:


Port:


☐ Auto start


Output of calculation server:


 Simulation server: off

 Web server: off

 Remote control: off

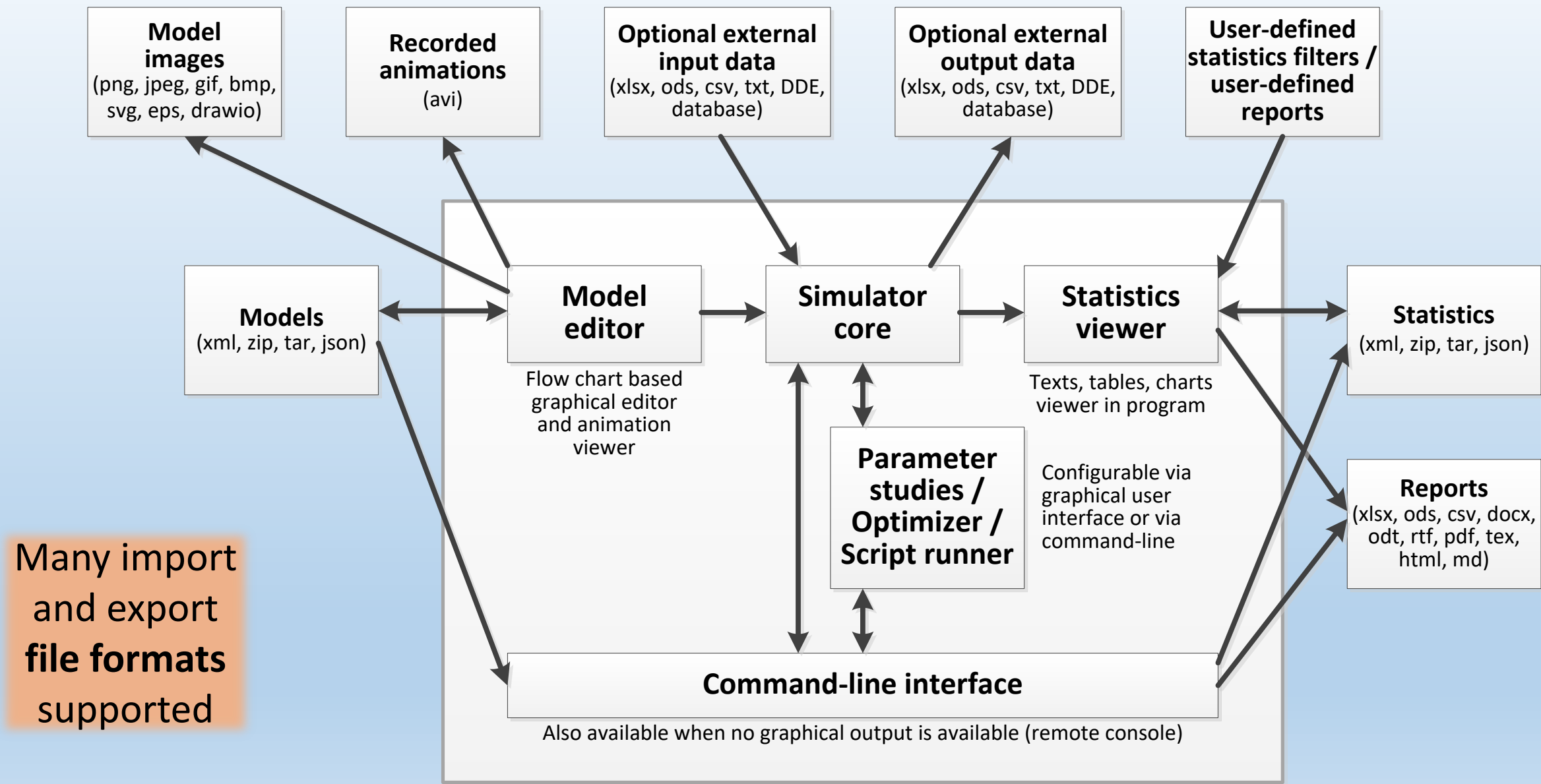
 MQTT client: off

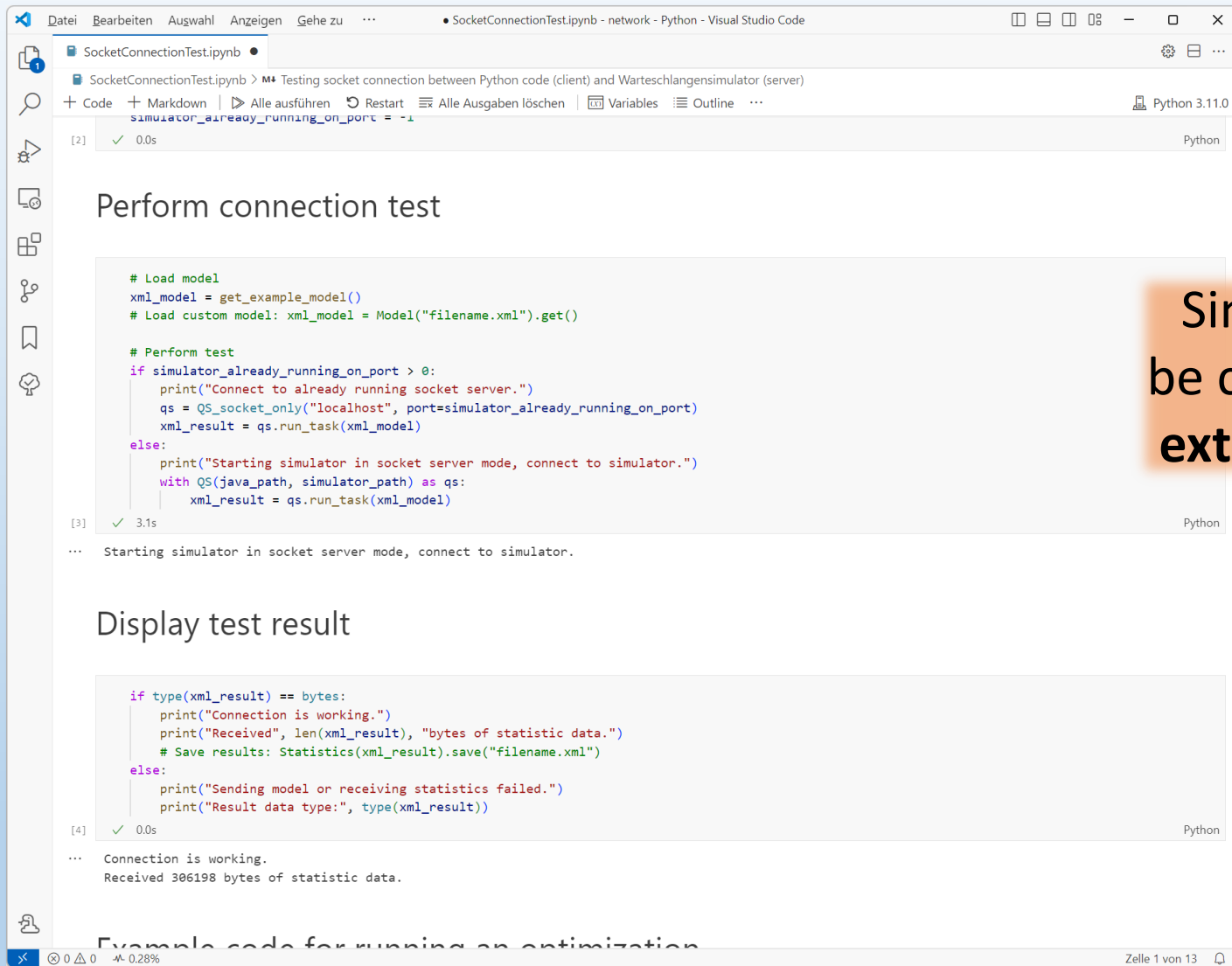
 DDE server: off

 Socket: off

Command-line and server operation available

Simulator can be used on Linux-based HPC systems





```
SocketConnectionTest.ipynb • SocketConnectionTest.ipynb - network - Python - Visual Studio Code
+ Code + Markdown | > Alle ausführen | ⌂ Restart | 🗑 Alle Ausgaben löschen | 📄 Variables | 📖 Outline | Python 3.11.0

[2] ✓ 0.0s

Perform connection test

# Load model
xml_model = get_example_model()
# Load custom model: xml_model = Model("filename.xml").get()

# Perform test
if simulator_already_running_on_port > 0:
    print("Connect to already running socket server.")
    qs = QS_socket_only("localhost", port=simulator_already_running_on_port)
    xml_result = qs.run_task(xml_model)
else:
    print("Starting simulator in socket server mode, connect to simulator.")
    with QS(java_path, simulator_path) as qs:
        xml_result = qs.run_task(xml_model)

[3] ✓ 3.1s
... Starting simulator in socket server mode, connect to simulator.

Display test result

if type(xml_result) == bytes:
    print("Connection is working.")
    print("Received", len(xml_result), "bytes of statistic data.")
    # Save results: Statistics(xml_result).save("filename.xml")
else:
    print("Sending model or receiving statistics failed.")
    print("Result data type:", type(xml_result))

[4] ✓ 0.0s
... Connection is working.
Received 306198 bytes of statistic data.

Example code for running an optimization
```

Simulator can
be controlled via
external scripts

Warteschlangensimulator [unsaved model file]

Quick access

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Results overview (Text)

Erlang-C comparison (Text)

Model overview

Arrivals and leavings

Clients at the stations

Number of clients at the stations (Text)

Number of clients at the stations (total)

Number of clients in the queues (Table)

Number of clients in service process (Table)

Distributions by state

Times of the clients

Waiting, transfer and processing times

Waiting, transfer and processing times

Ratio of waiting to process times (Graph)

Distributions by time

Times at the stations

Waiting, transfer and process times at the stations (Text)

Waiting, transfer and process times at the stations (Table)

Distributions by time

Resource utilization

Resource utilization (Text)

Resource utilization (Table)

Resource utilization and failures (Graph)

Resource utilization and failures (Graph)

Relative resource utilization (Graphics)

Distributions by state

System data (Text)

Arrivals per Thread

Generate report

System data

Used simulator version: 5.7.0

Run date of the simulation: 9/27/24, 11:48 AM

Threads: 24

Simulation computer: Windows 11 (amd64), OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM (21.0.4)

Author of the model: Alexander Herzog

User (simulation run): Alexander Herzog

Needed simulation time: 525 ms

Relative runtime difference between fastest and slowest thread: 1.156%

Maximum relative difference in simulated clients between the threads: 11.028%

Simulated client arrivals (without warm-up phase): 5,000,191

Clients per second: 9,524,173

Needed calculation time per client (*): 2.52 µs

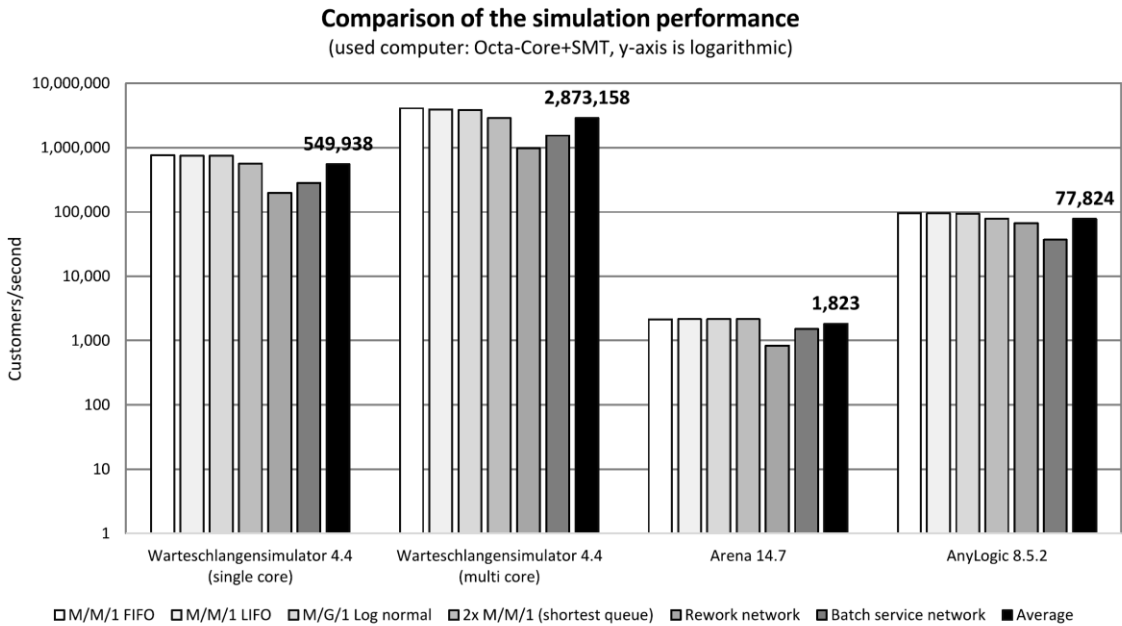
Simulated events: 18,600,239

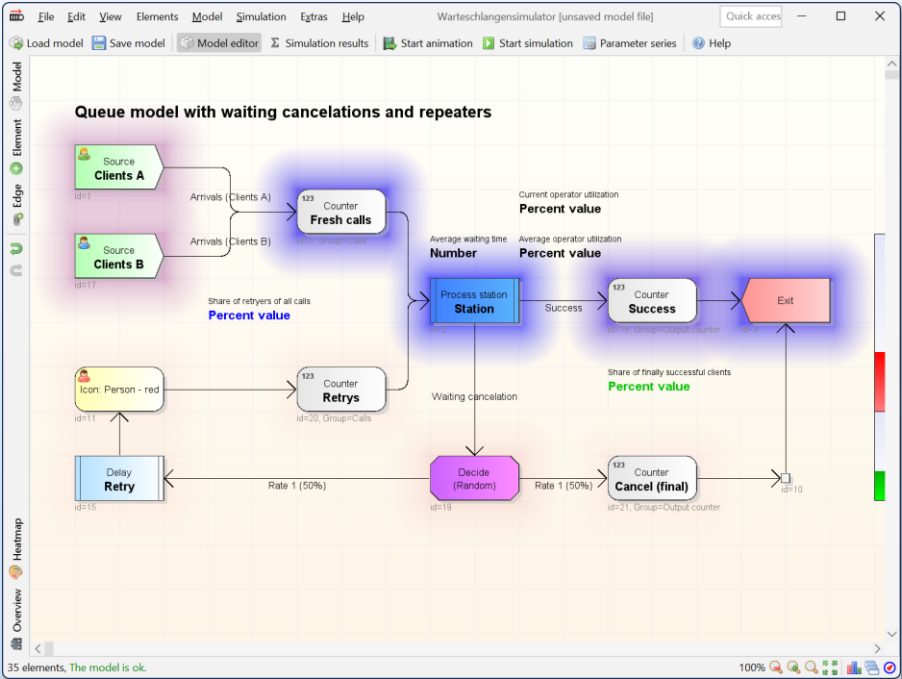
Events per second: 35,429,026

Needed calculation time per event (*): 677 ns

The data marked with (*) indicate the real computing time on a CPU core.

Fast simulation
supporting multi-core CPUs





Model editor

In the model editor, the queue model to be simulated can be defined. By using the **Element** toolbar button, components can be added to the drawing surface, and the **Edge** button can be used to insert connections edges between the components.

Elements can be selected individually (by holding down the **Shift** key if you want to select more than one element), or by area selection, and then moved groupwise by **drag&drop**. By right-clicking on an element, a **context menu** with additional command options can be called.

By **double-clicking** (or pressing the **Enter** key on a selected element) a properties dialog for configuring the selected component can be opened. The **Delete** key can be used to **remove** the selected elements. In addition to drag&drop, elements can also be **moved** by holding down the **Alt** keys and using the cursor keys. If the **Shift** key is pressed while dragging and dropping the elements or using the cursor keys to move them, the selected element can be moved pixel-wise, otherwise they are moved along a grid. If the **Ctrl** key is pressed while dragging and dropping an element, a copy is placed. The original element will not be changed. If the **Alt** key is pressed while dragging and dropping elements, the x or the y position is locked. The movement takes place along one axis only.

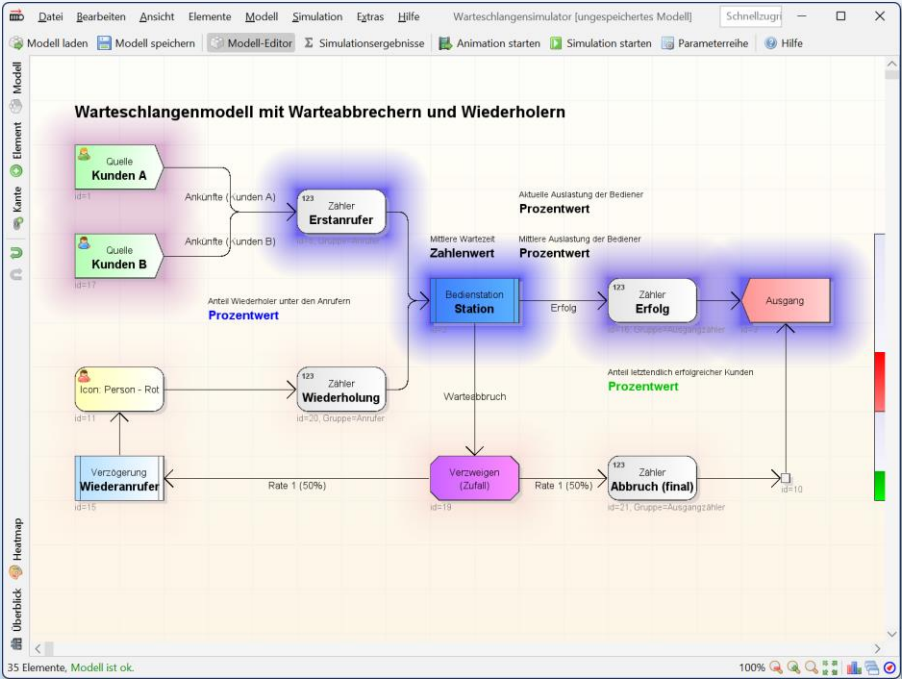
By using the **middle mouse button** the function for adding connection edges can be switched on or off without needing to click the **Edge** button.

An overview of all available **elements** can be found on the [help content page](#).

First steps

- As a first step you can load, view and simulate some **example models**. Click on "Load example" in the File menu.
- A **step by step tutorial** can be started by clicking on "Interactive tutorial" in the Help menu.
- A short **introduction** about using the Warteschlangensimulator can be viewed via the menu item "Tutorial (pdf)" in the Help menu.

User-interface and full documentation available in English and German



Modell-Editor

Siehe auch Abschnitt [Programmieroberfläche](#) im Lehrbuch.

In dem Modell-Editor kann das zu simulierende Warteschlangenmodell definiert werden. Über die Symbolleiste/Schaltfläche **Element** können Komponenten auf der Zeichenfläche hinzugefügt werden und über die Schaltfläche **Kante** Verbindungskanten zwischen den Komponenten eingefügt werden.

Elemente können entweder einzeln per Anklicken (mit gedrückt gehaltener **Umschalt**-Taste, wenn mehrere Elemente selektiert werden sollen) oder per Bereichs-Selektion ausgewählt und dann gruppenweise per **Drag&Drop** verschoben werden. Über einen Rechtsklick auf einem Element kann ein **Kontextmenü** mit weiteren Befehlsoptionen aufgerufen werden.

Per **Doppelklick** (oder per **Enter**-Tastendruck) kann ein Eigenschaften-Dialog zur Konfiguration der jeweils gewählten Komponente aufgerufen werden. Über die **Entfernen**-Taste kann das oder können die selektierten Elemente **entfernt** werden. Außer per Drag&Drop können Elemente auch mit gedrückter **Alt**-Taste mit den Cursorstasten **verschoben** werden. Wird beim Verschieben per Drag&Drop oder per Tastatur zusätzlich die **Umschalt**-Taste gedrückt gehalten, so kann das jeweils gewählte Element pixelgenau verschoben werden, ansonsten wird es entlang einem Raster verschoben. Wird beim Verschieben per Drag&Drop die **Strg**-Taste gedrückt gehalten, so wird eine Kopie erstellt und neu platziert. Das Originallement bleibt unverändert an seiner Position. Wird beim Verschieben per Drag&Drop die **Alt**-Taste gedrückt gehalten, wird die x- oder die y-Position beibehalten. Die Verschiebung erfolgt nur entlang einer Achse.

Über die **mittlere Maustaste** kann die Funktion zum Einfügen von Verbindungskanten jederzeit ein- und ausgeschaltet werden, ohne dass dafür zuvor die Schaltfläche **Kante** angeklickt werden müsste.

Eine Übersicht über alle auf der Zeichenfläche verwendbaren **Elemente** finden Sie auf [Hilfe-Inhalt-Seite](#).

Erste Schritte zur Verwendung des Warteschlangensimulators

- Als erstes können Sie ein **Beispielmodell** laden, ansehen und simulieren. Klicken Sie dafür im Datei-Menü auf den Eintrag "Beispiel laden".
- Eine **Schritt-für-Schritt Anleitung** kann über den Menüpunkt "Interaktive Einführung" im Hilfe-Menü aufgerufen werden.
- Eine kurze **Einführung** in die Verwendung des Warteschlangensimulators erhalten Sie über den Menüpunkt "Tutorial (pdf)" im Hilfe-Menü.

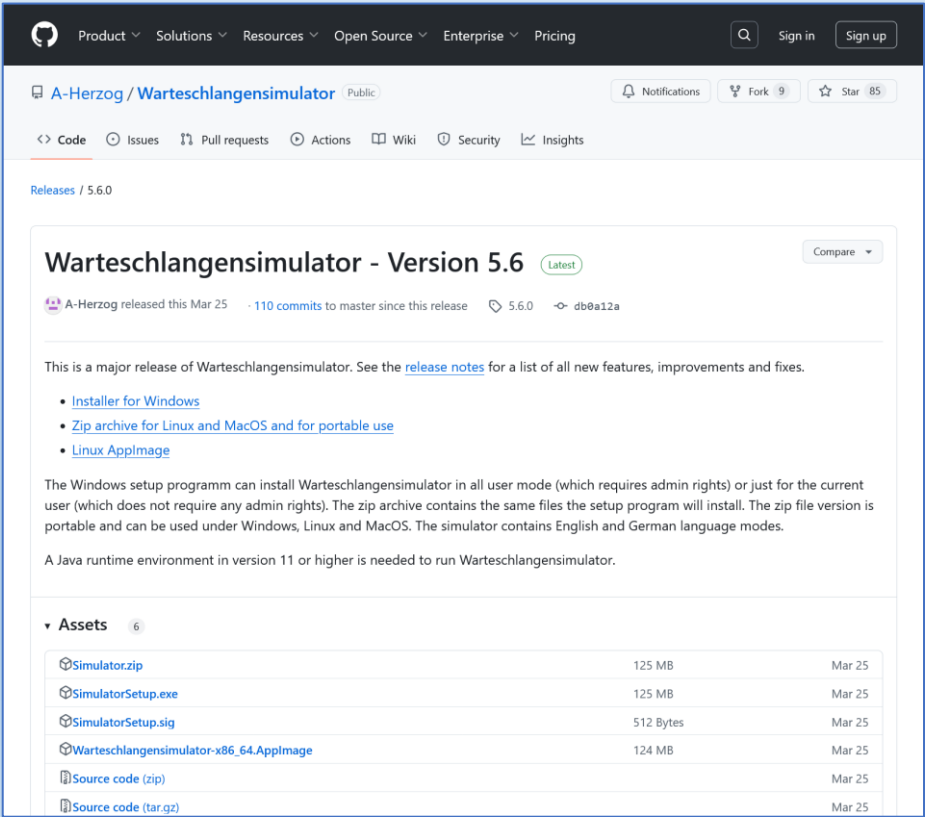
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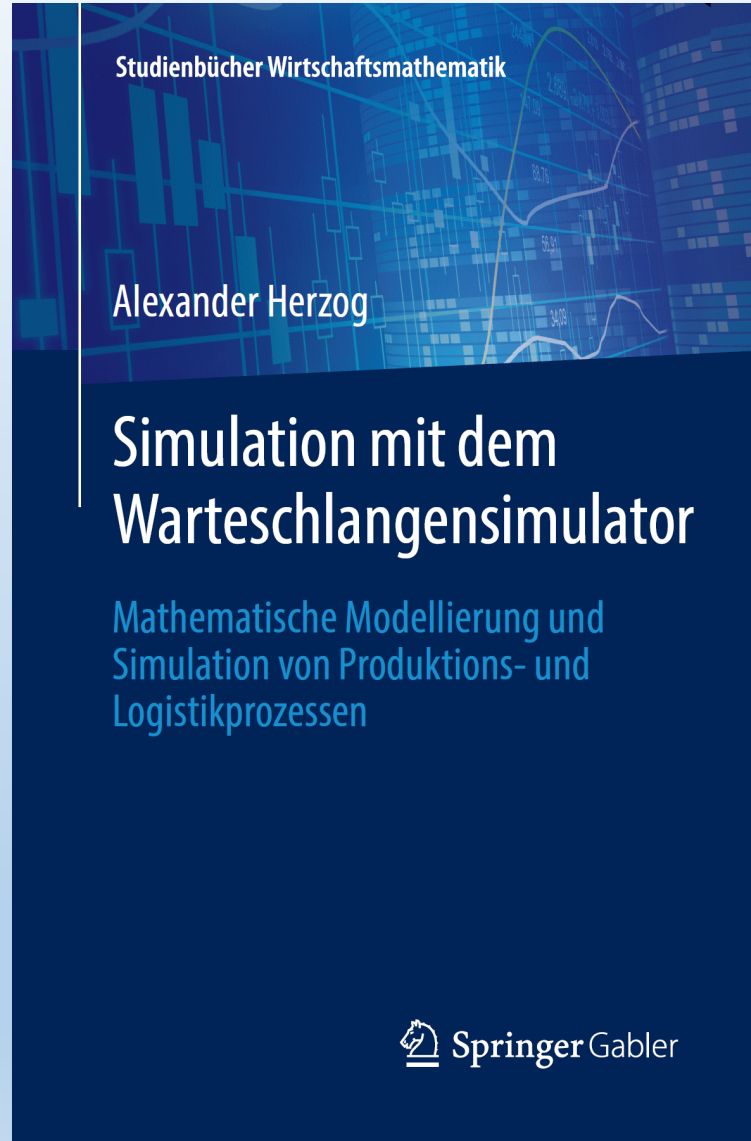
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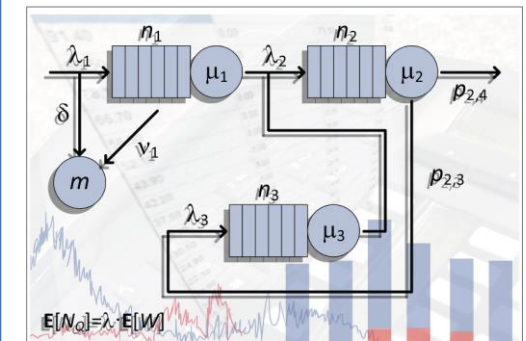


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etc. directly built-in in
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Short introduction to Warteschlangensimulator

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