System Modelling and Simulation with SCILAB

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- Introduction
- Scilab
- Xcos
- Custom Toolbox
- Demo

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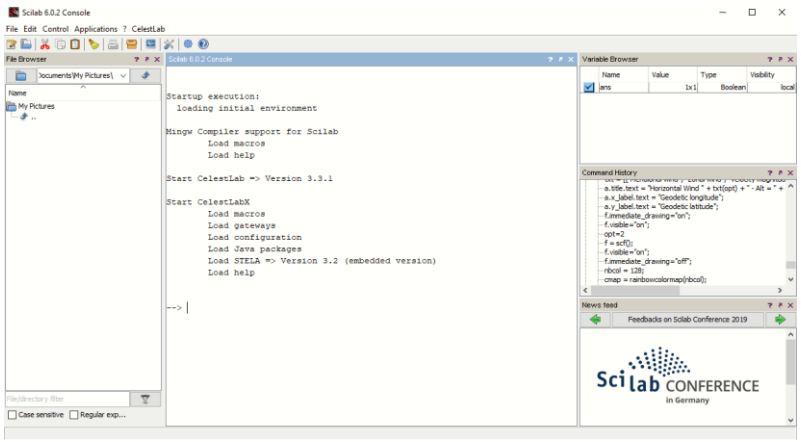
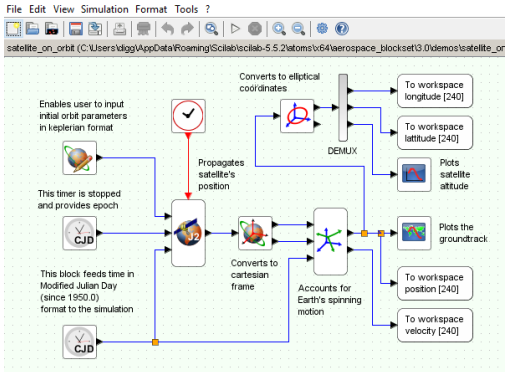
Introduction

- Numerical computation tool
- Graphical design (Xcos)
- Extendable
  - Toolbox
  - Integration with external tools
  - Programming
- Open source (GPL)

Available at http://www.scilab.org





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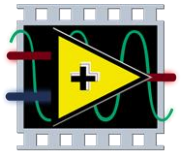
Introduction: Integration with other tools and hardware

- Extend Scilab with other languages:
  - Java, Python, Tcl Tk, Fortran or C, C++
- Use Scilab from different languages:
  - Java, Python or C, C++
- Integration with other programs:
  - Excel
  - Labview
  - OpenFoam
  - Etc.



LabVIEW

OpenFOAM

More information in https://wiki.scilab.org/Interoperability

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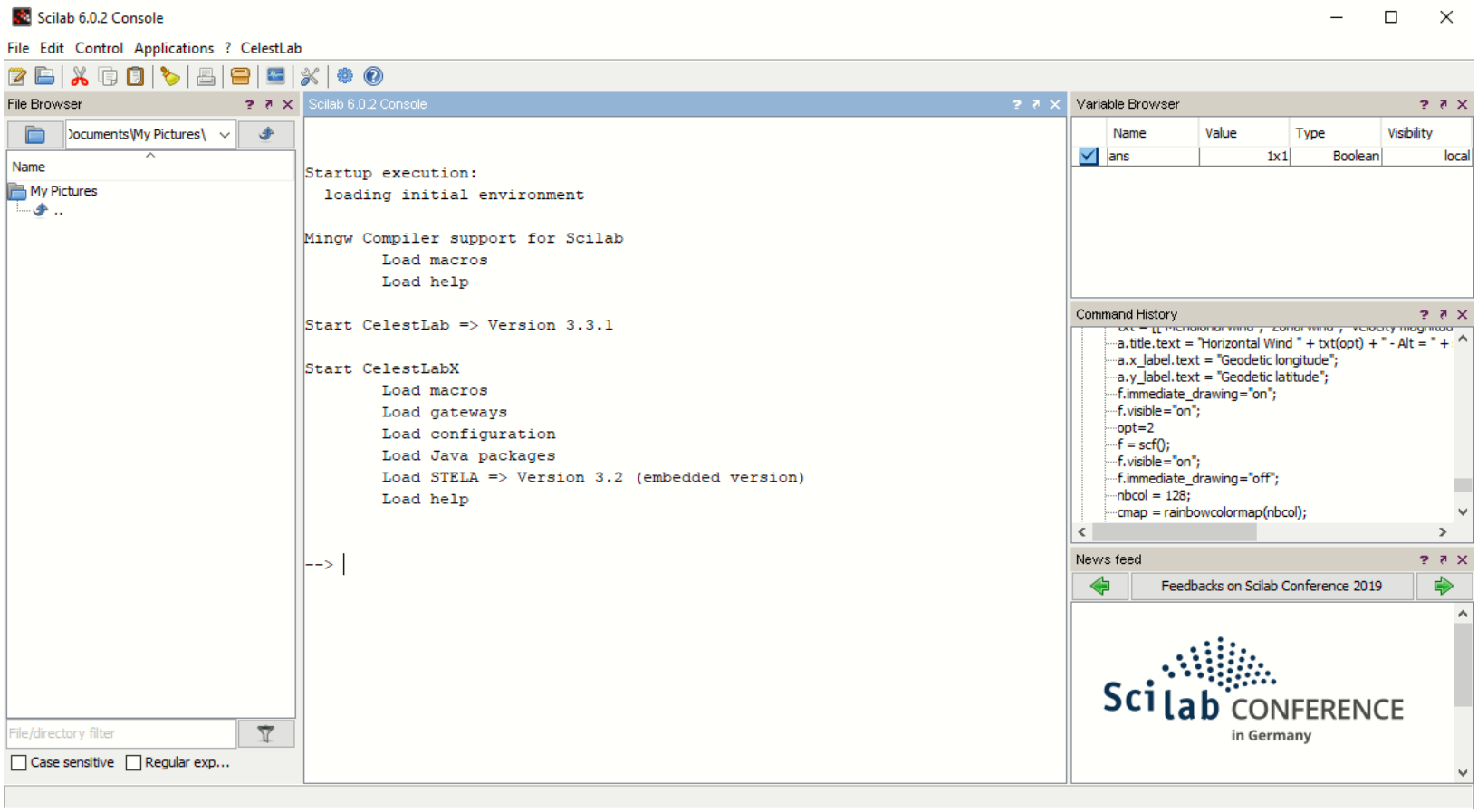
SCILAB



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Scilab: basic information

- Basic data element: **Matrix**
  - everything is a matrix. All real, complex, Boolean, integer, string, and polynomial variables are matrices.
- Variables names case sensitive and only 24 first characters are considered
- Protected variables: %i, %pi, etc.
- High-level interpreted language with variables, flow, functions, primitives.
- High-level functions for 2-D and 3-D data visualization

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Scilab: Useful commands

- **Help command**

--> help

--> help <name_of_command>

--> apropos(keyword)

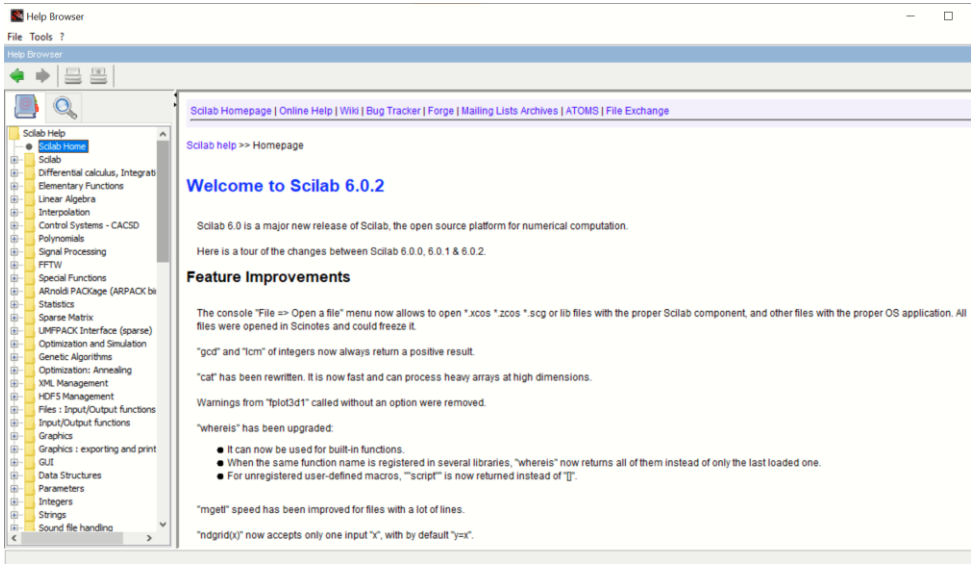
- **Workspace commands:**

--> clc: clear screen

--> what: show all the primitives

--> who/whos: show all the variables (with -name show variables starting with <>)

--> clear: delete all non protected variables



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Scilab: Create functions

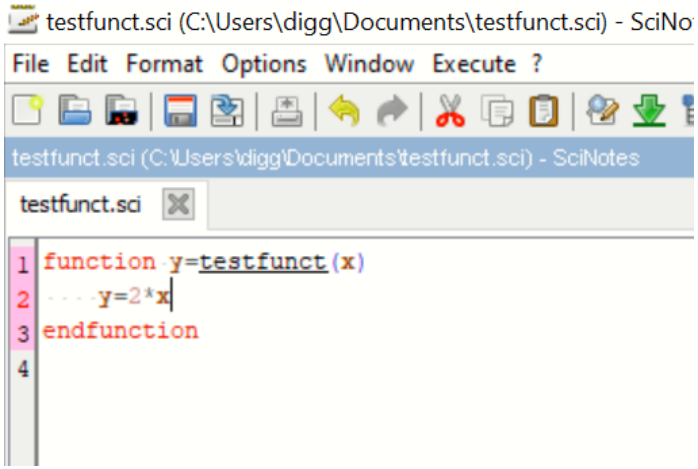
- Format:

function <lhs_arguments>=<function_name><rhs_arguments>

…

Endfunction

- Create the function with the editor
  - Save as *.sci file with the name of the function
- Load the function in the command line
  - exec filename.sci
- Genlib to build library from functions (sci files) in given directory




```
--> exec testfunct.sci

--> function y=testfunct(x)
-->     y=2*x
--> endfunction

--> testfunct(2)
 ans  =

   4.
```

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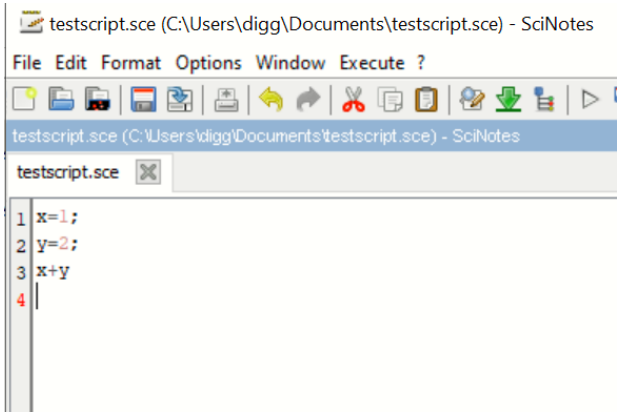
Scripting

- For long code scripts can be used:
  - Files with extension *.sce
  - Load: exec (‘filename.sce’)
  - Can include definition of functions



- Edit with the editor (applications/SciNotes):
  - // for comments
  - F5 to evaluate the script

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--> exec('C:\Users\digg\Documents\testscript.sce')

--> x=1;

--> y=2;

--> x+y
 ans  =

   3.
```

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Load/save data

Variables (environment) *sod

- Save and load commands
- Menu File/Save environment or Load environment

Graphics *.scg

- Any graphic figure can be saved:
  - save() through its identifier as a variable
  - xsave()
  - With figure's menu *File /Save*
- Load file ***.scg**: load(..) or xload()
- Several figures may be saved in the same file. Each restored figure gets a new incremented #id, so usually not the original one.

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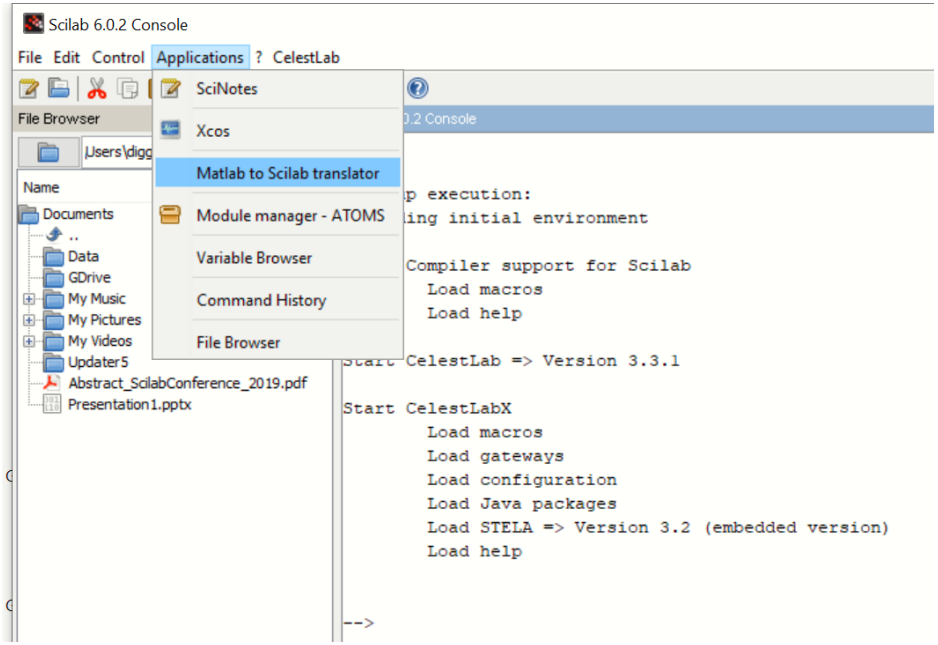
Scilab: Matlab

- **'Comparisons are odious‘**
- **https://wiki.scilab.org/MatlabToScilab**
- **Conversor available**



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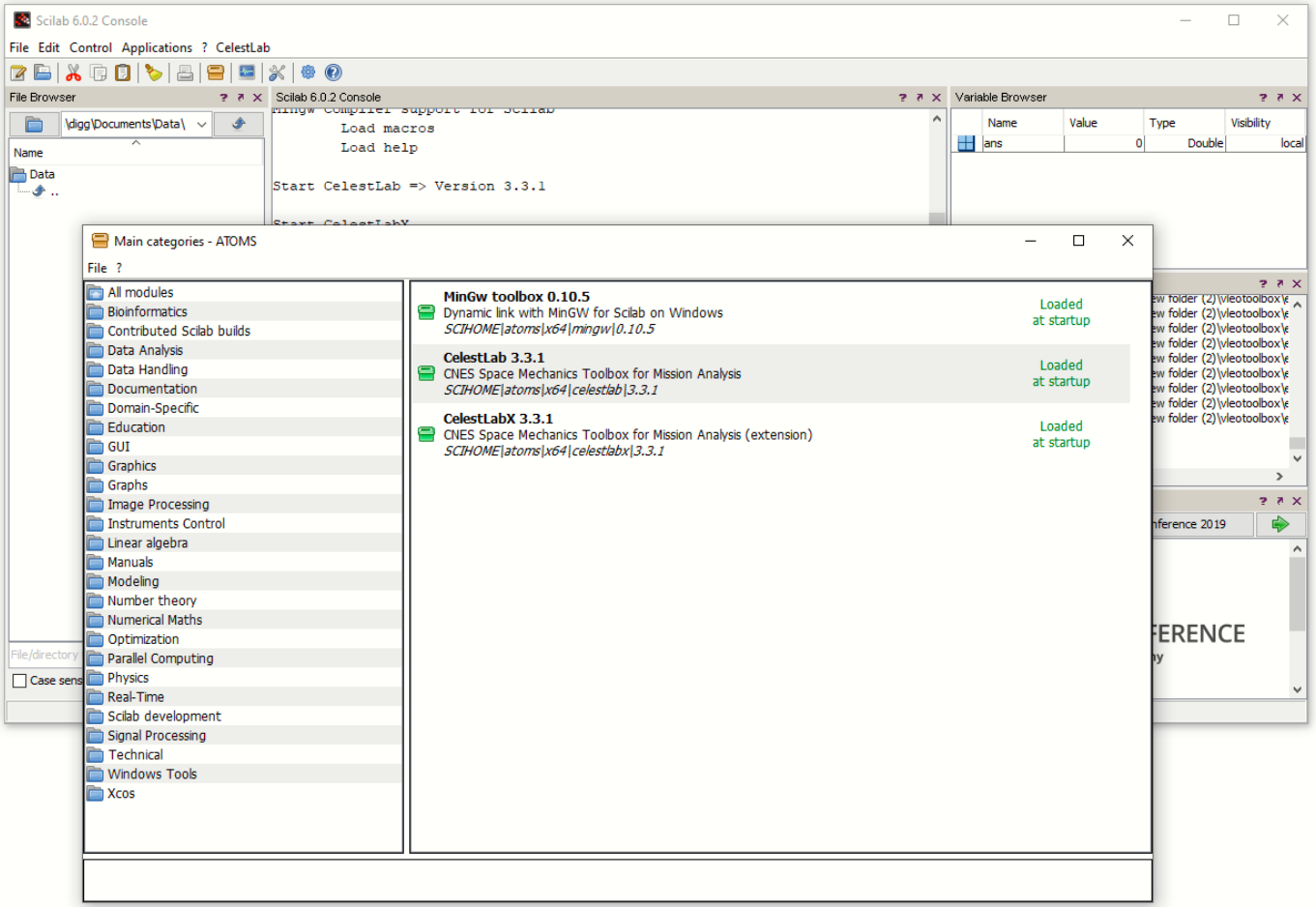
Scilab: ATOMS



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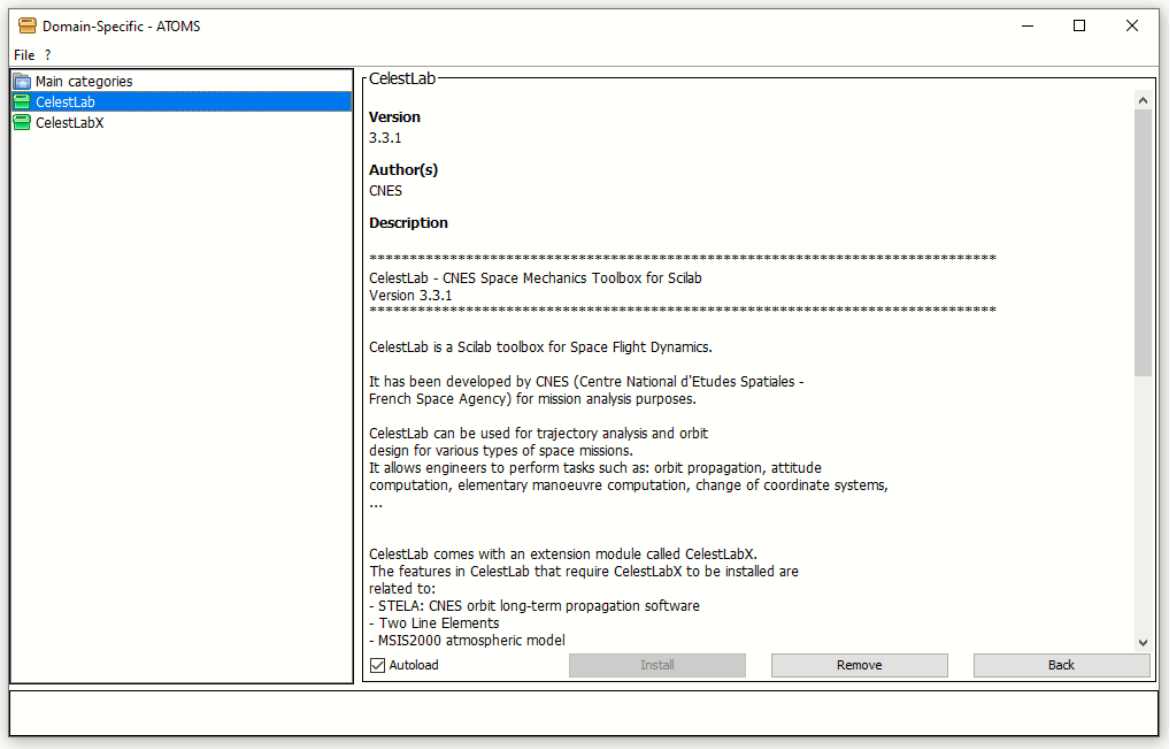
CelestLab/CelestLabX

- Atoms/Domain-specific/Celestlab



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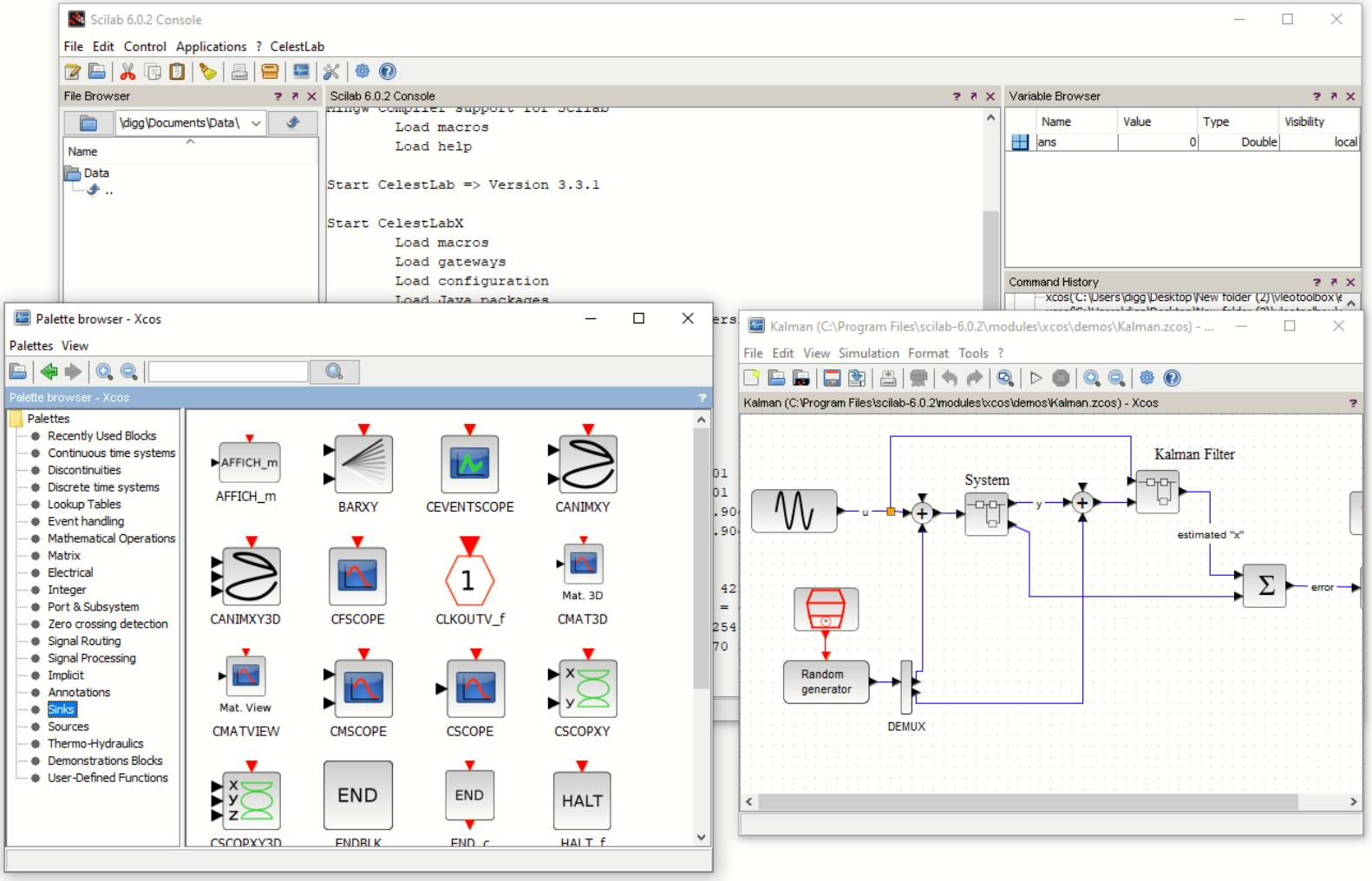
XCOS



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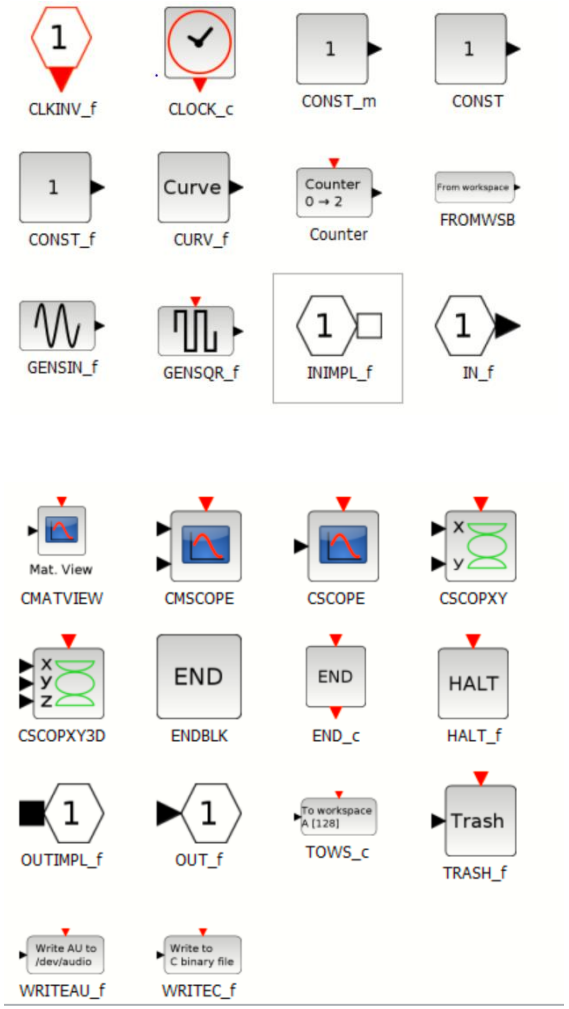
Xcos: Palette

- **Standard Palettes and Blocks**
  - Signal processing and signal routing
  - Thermo-hydraulic blocks
  - Mathematical operations, matrix, integer
  - Discrete and continuous system blocks
  - Electrical
  - User defined blocks
  - Annotations: text, LaTeX/MathML
  - Lookup tables
  - Event handling
  - Sinks and sources
  - Port and subsystem



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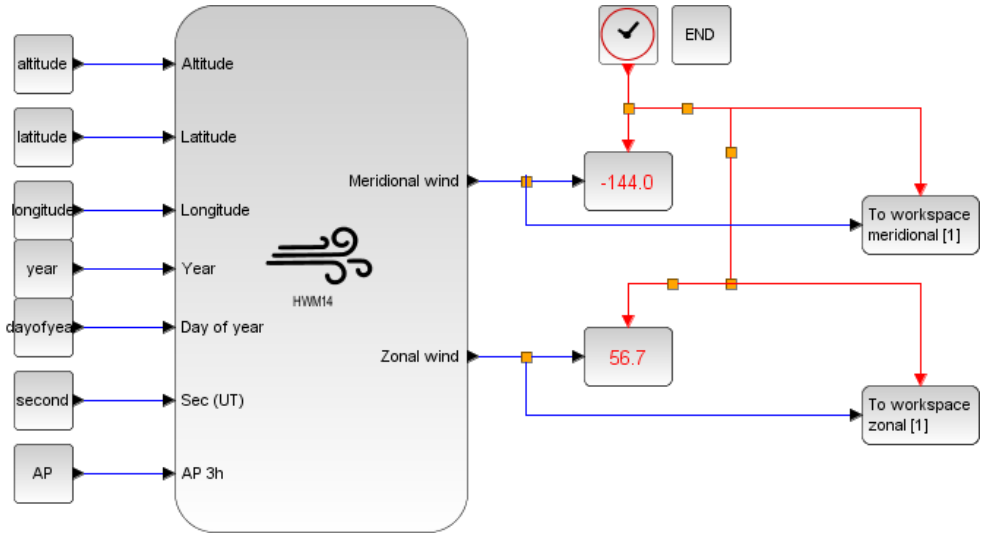
Model building and edition

- Blocks selection from existing palettes (drag and drop)
- Define inputs and connect blocks trough lines
- Superblocks management (Sub-diagram embedded in a single superblock for model reuse and simplification)
- All Scilab data types available for signal definition



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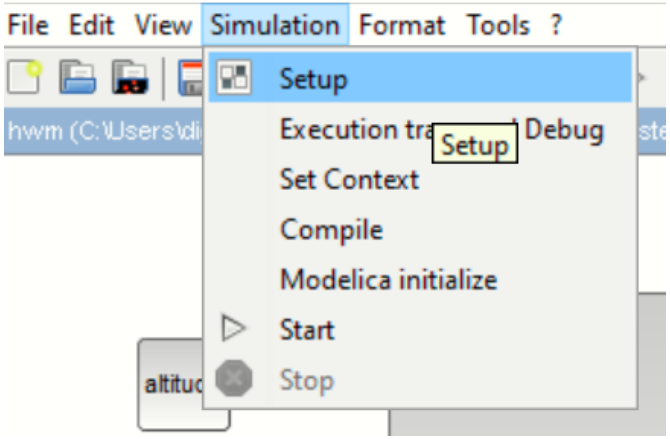
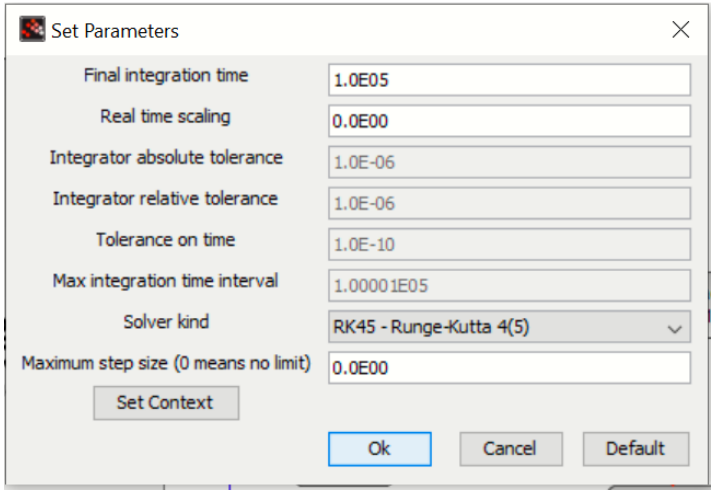
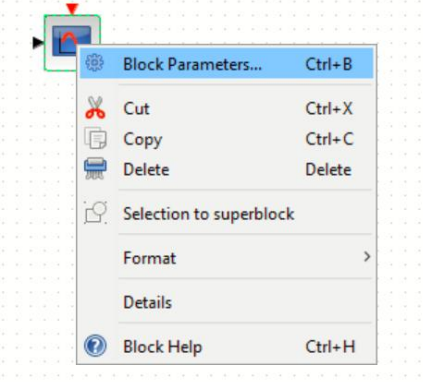
Model customization

- Simulation parameters definition (solver)





- Signals and blocks parameters adaptation



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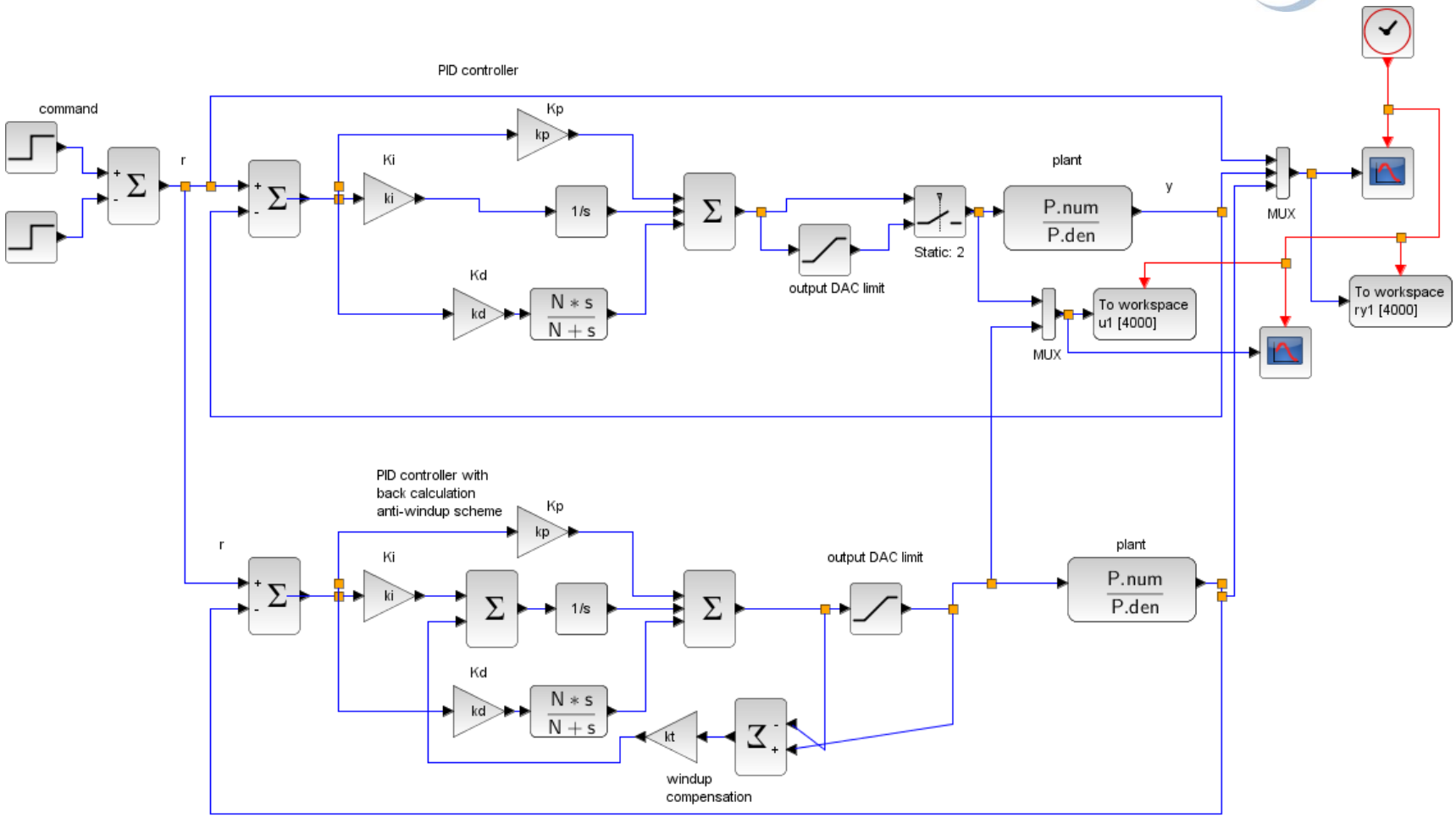
Example: AntiWindUp PID controller



Source: https://www.scilab.org/pid-anti-windup-schemes (Dew Toochinda, Scilab Ninja)

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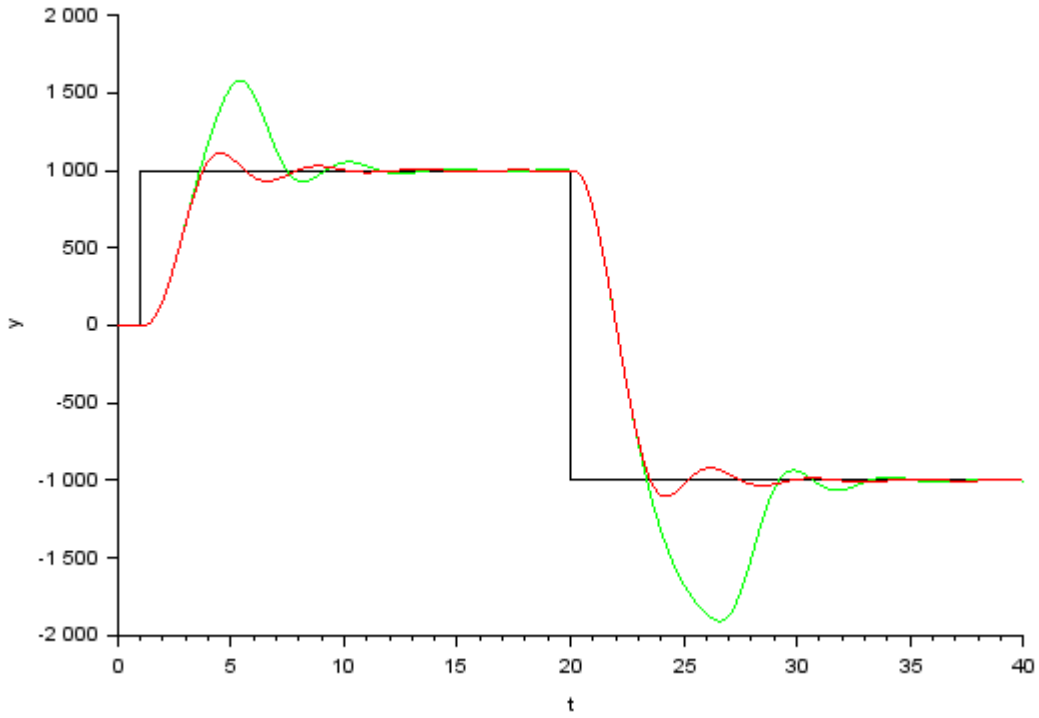

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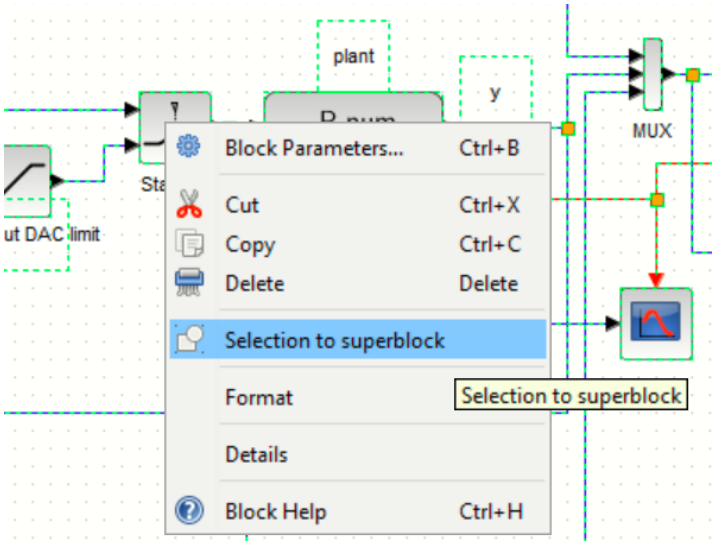
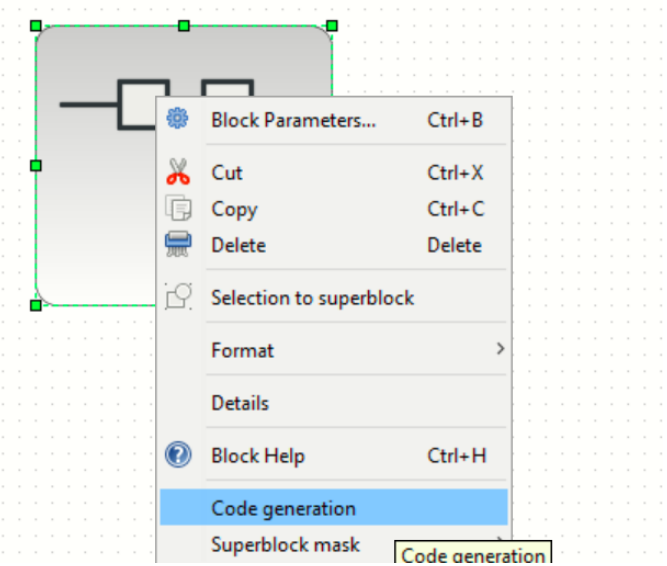
Code generation

Create Superblock



Generate code from superblock



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Xcos: Custom blocks

- External code (C, C++, Fortran)
- Xcos models (generate code)
- Scilab code

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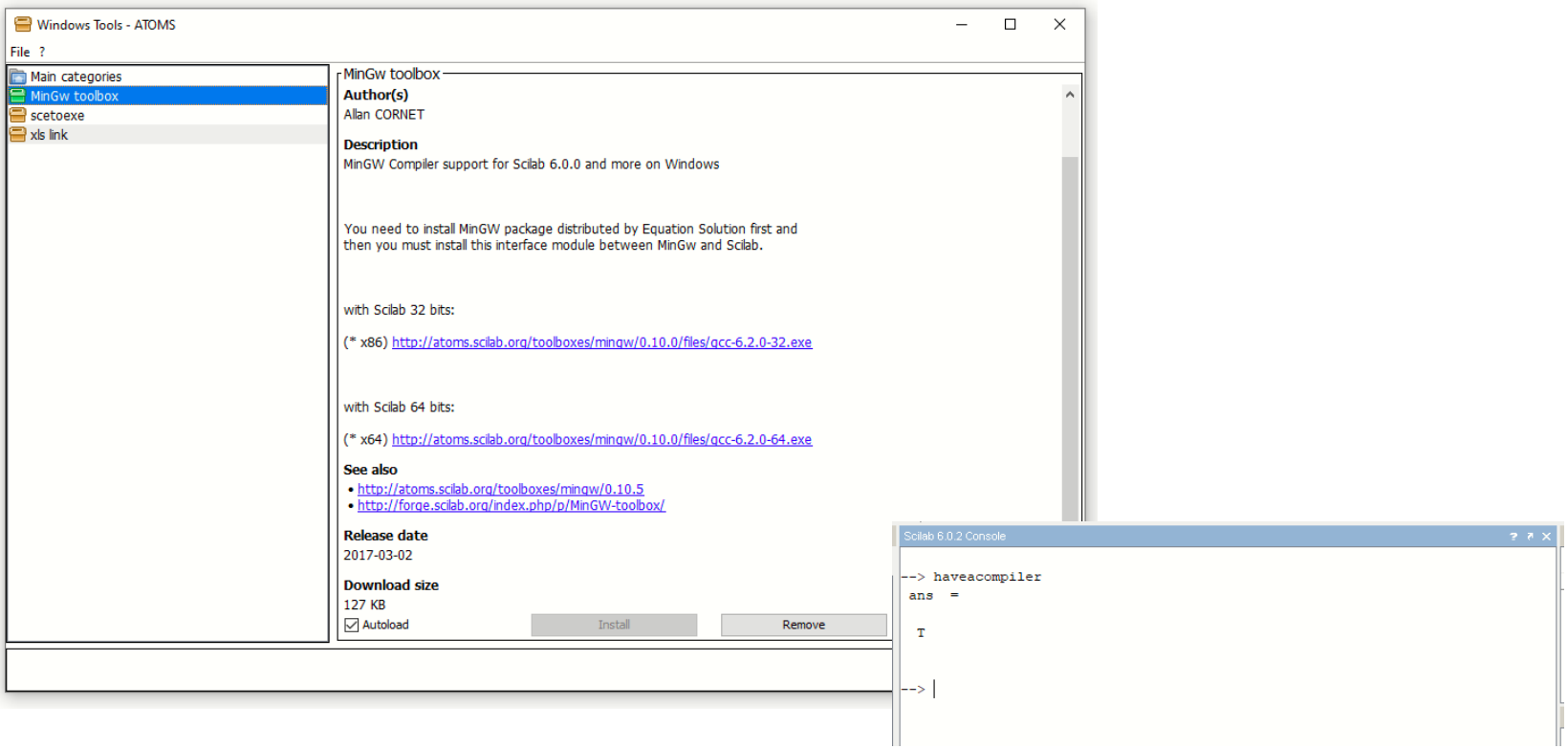
Xcos: Custom blocks

- Install MinGw and its toolbox to be able to compile code (C/C++, Fortran)
- Atoms/Windows Tools/MinGw toolbox



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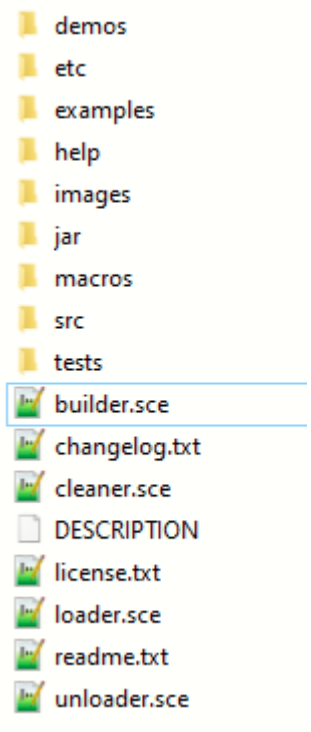
Xcos: Custom Toolbox



- Skeleton structure (contribs in Scilab source code):
  - Etc
  - Help
  - Images
  - Macros: Block definition and Scilab code,
  - Src: Source code.
  - Builder.sce: compilation script.
  - Loader.sce: load toolbox.

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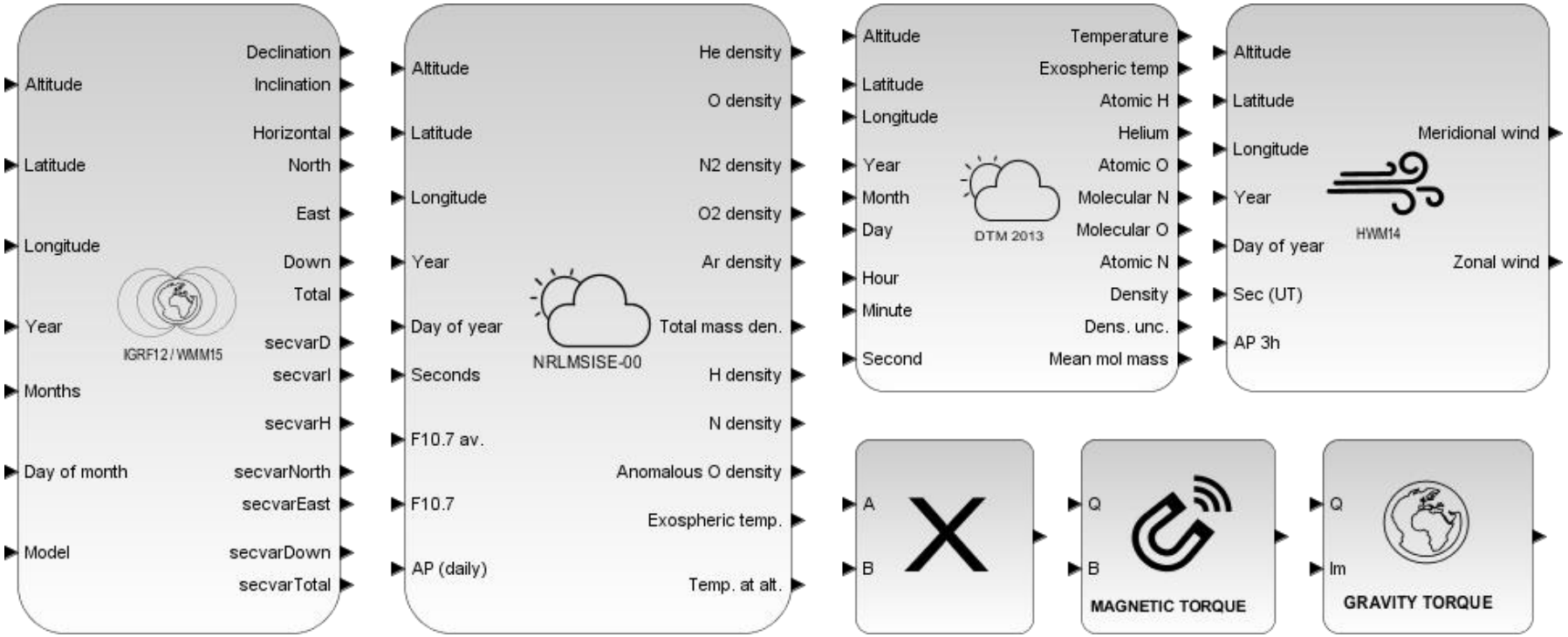
Xcos: Custom Toolbox



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Links of interest		
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	Wiki	https://wiki.scilab.org/
	Mail lists	https://www.scilab.org/about/community/mailing-lists
	Forum	https://scilab.in/forum
	Books	https://www.scilab.org/about/community/books
	Control Eng.	https://scilabdotninja.wordpress.com/scilab-control-engineering-basics/

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