



Modelling Agent-Based Systems Using System Dynamics

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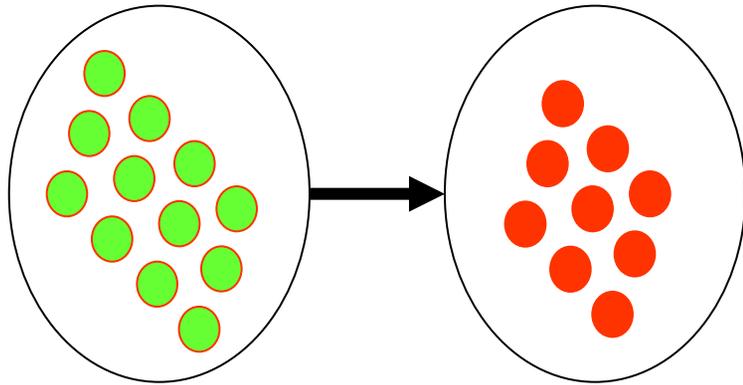
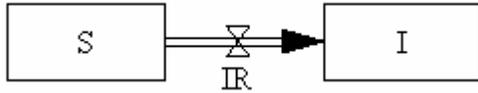
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Workshop Overview

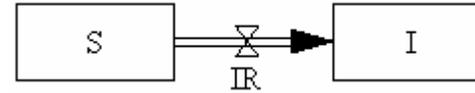
- Summary of Approach
- Case Study (SIR)
- Model Building
 - Aggregate Model
 - Agent Models
 - Runtime Model
- Running the Model
- Display Results via Excel

Aggregate

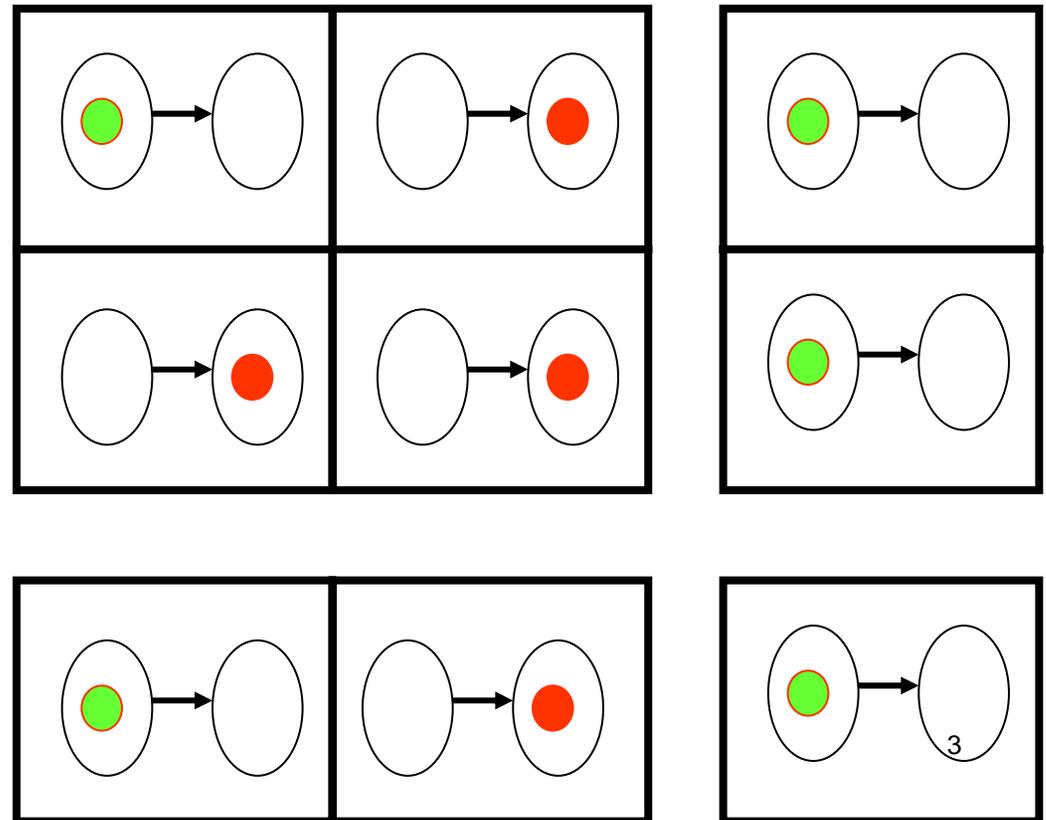


$$IR = cS \quad (I/N) \quad i$$

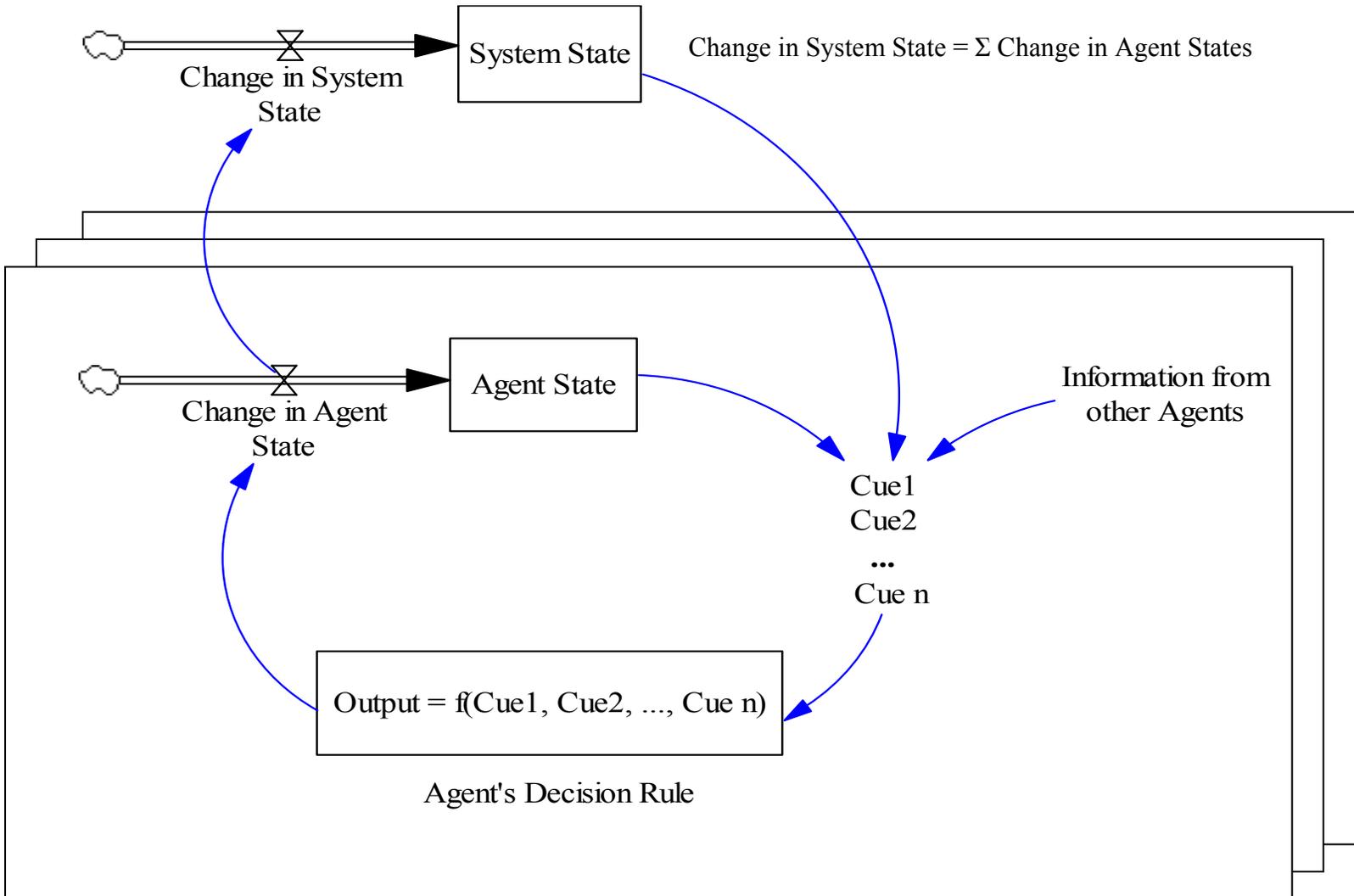
Disaggregate



$$IR = \sum IR_i$$

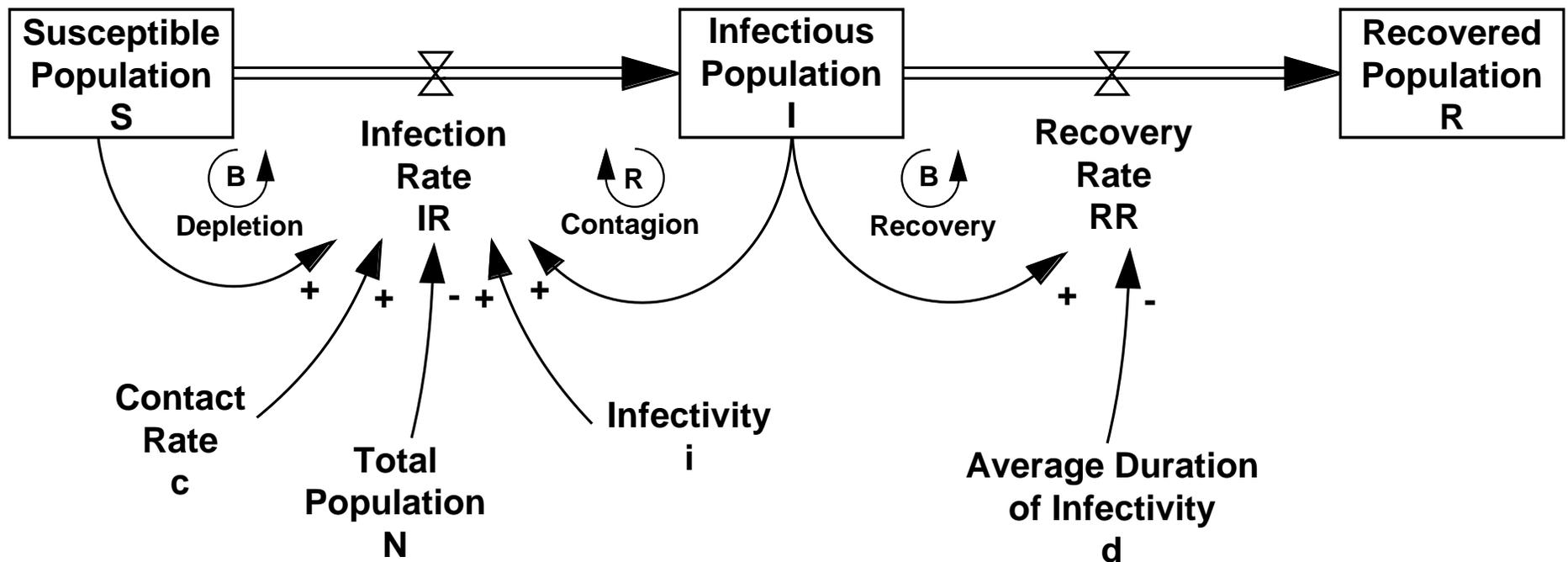


Solution Approach



Different Models Capture Heterogeneity

Case Study (SIR) – Classic Model



$$IR = cS (I/N) i$$

$$RR = I/d$$

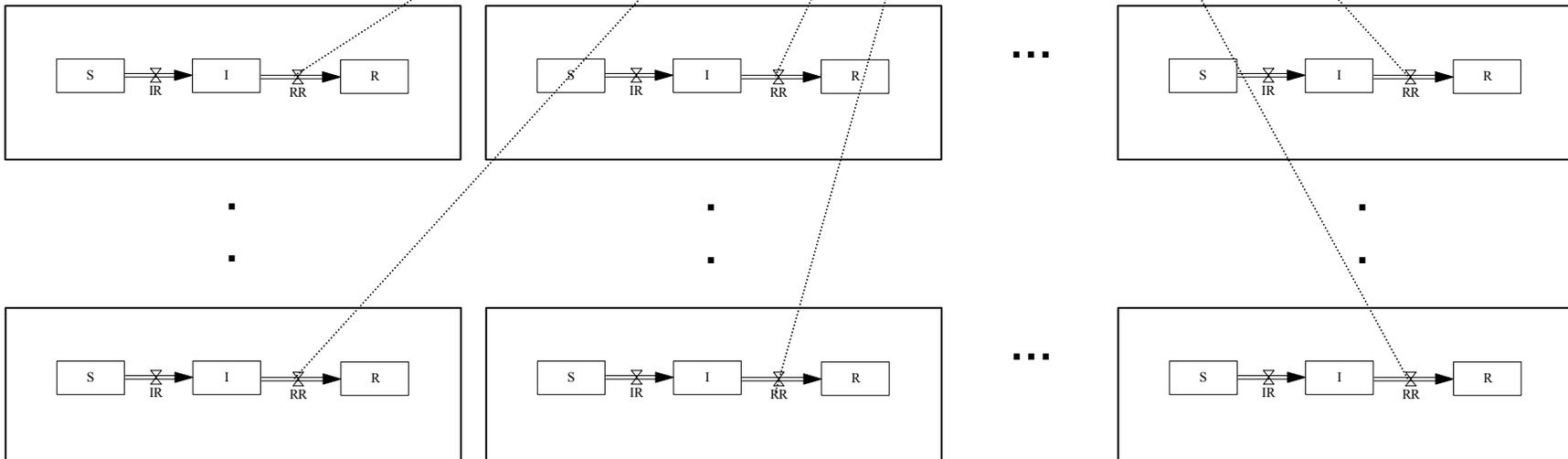


CABM Approach

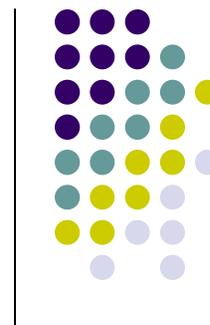
Aggregate Level



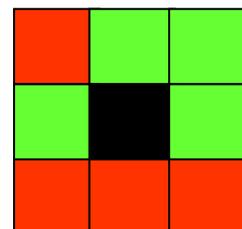
Agent Level



Agent Level



- Sum of stocks = 1
- RR = DELAYFIXED (IR, Recovery Time)
- IR
 - If $S = 0$, $IR = 0$ else
 - $IR\ Prob = Prop(I) * Infectivity\ of\ Agent$
 - Generate random number to decide whether to Infect



$$\text{Prop}(I) = 4 / 8 = 0.5$$

$$\text{Infectivity} = .10$$

$$\text{Prob}(I) = 0.5 * .1 = 0.05$$

$$\text{e.g. } R = .9600$$

If $(1 - R) < 0.05$, then agent is infected,

$$IR = 1 / \text{Delta Time}$$



Model Building

- XML-Based
- XML Editor would be useful!
- Three types of files
 - Aggregate Model
 - Agent Models
 - Runtime Model

Aggregate Model - Stocks

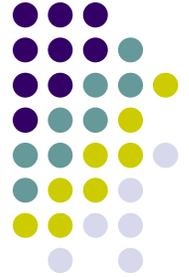


```
<stock>
  <name>Aggregate.Susceptible</name>
  <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
  <init>0.0</init>
  <outflow>Aggregate.InfectionRate</outflow>
</stock>
```

```
  <stock>
    <name>Aggregate.Infected</name>
    <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
    <init>0.0</init>
    <inflow>Aggregate.InfectionRate</inflow>
    <outflow>Aggregate.RecoveryRate</outflow>
  </stock>
```

```
    <stock>
      <name>Aggregate.Recovered</name>
      <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
      <init>0.0</init>
      <inflow>Aggregate.RecoveryRate</inflow>
    </stock>
```

Aggregate Model - Flows



```
<flow>  
  <name>Aggregate.InfectionRate</name>  
  <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>  
  <equation>AGGREGATOR() </equation>  
</flow>
```

```
<flow>  
  <name>Aggregate.RecoveryRate</name>  
  <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>  
  <equation>AGGREGATOR() </equation>  
</flow>
```

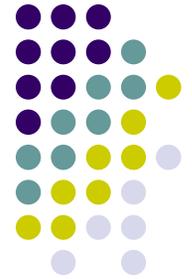


Aggregate Model - Auxs



```
] <auxiliaries>
]   <auxiliary>
    <name>Aggregate.TimeStep</name>
    <equation>TIME_STEP() </equation>
- </auxiliary>

]   <auxiliary>
    <name>Aggregate.Population</name>
    <equation>Aggregate.Susceptible+Aggregate.Infected+Aggregate.Recovered</equation>
- </auxiliary>
- </auxiliaries>
```



Agent Model: Stock



`<stock>`

```
  <name>$NAME$.Susceptible</name>
```

```
  <is_substock>>true</is_substock>
```

```
  <super_stock>Aggregate.Susceptible</super_stock>
```

```
  <init>${SUSCEPTIBLE_INIT}</init>
```

```
  <outflow>$NAME$.InfectionRate</outflow>
```

```
  <capture_state>>true</capture_state>
```

```
  <value_if_true>100</value_if_true>
```

```
</stock>
```

Agent Model: Stock



```
<stock>
  <name>$NAME$. Infected</name>
  <is_substock>true</is_substock>
  <super_stock>Aggregate. Infected</super_stock>
  <init>$INFECTED_INIT$</init>
  <inflow>$NAME$. InfectionRate</inflow>
  <outflow>$NAME$. RecoveryRate</outflow>
  <capture_state>true</capture_state>
  <value_if_true>200</value_if_true>
</stock>
```



Agent Model: Stock

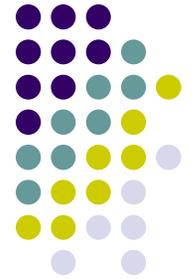


```
<stock>
  <name>$NAME$.Recovered</name>
  <is_substock>>true</is_substock>
  <super_stock>Aggregate.Recovered</super_stock>
  <init>$RECOVERED_INIT$</init>
  <inflow>$NAME$.RecoveryRate</inflow>
  <capture_state>>true</capture_state>
  <value_if_true>300</value_if_true>
</stock>
```

Agent Model: Flow



```
<flow>
  <name>$NAME$.InfectionRate</name>
  <is_subflow>>true</is_subflow>
  <super_flow>Aggregate.InfectionRate</super_flow>
  <equation>EXTERNAL (0) + ($NAME$.NeighboursAvg*0) + ($NAME$.Random*0) </equation>
  <parameter>$NAME$.Susceptible</parameter>
  <parameter>$NAME$.Infectivity</parameter>
  <parameter>$NAME$.NeighboursAvg</parameter>
  <parameter>Aggregate.TimeStep</parameter>
  <parameter>$NAME$.Random</parameter>
</flow>
```



External Function (1)

```
override public double ExecuteFunction(String[] parameters, double[] values,
                                       double time)
{
    // value[0] ... susceptible state [either 0 or 1]
    // value[1] ... infectivity (how prone is agent to catching infection)
    // value[2] ... neighbourhood average
    // value[3] ... delta time
    // value[4] ... 0..1 random number

    double overallProb = values[1] * values[2];

    if (values[0] > 0.1) // i.e. the agent is susceptible
    {
        if (overallProb >= 1.0 - values[4])
        {
            double ans = 1.0 / values[3];
            return ans;
        }
    }

    return 0.0;
}
```

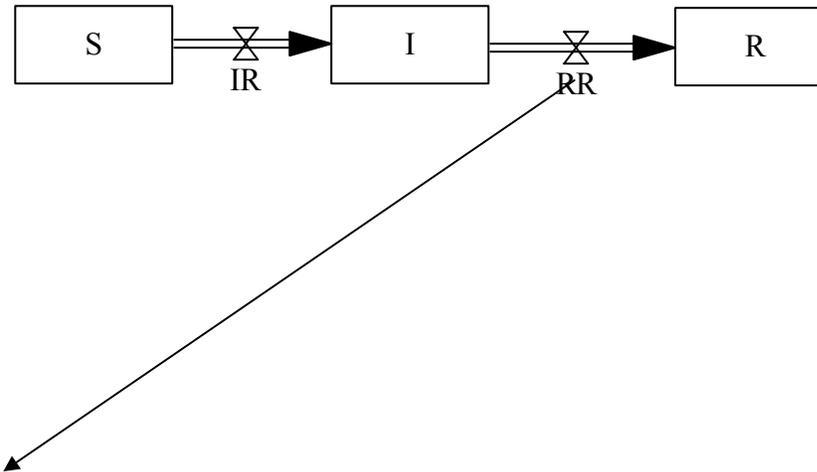
External Function (2)



```
<externals>
  <external>
    <id>0</id>
    <path>C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\CSharp</path>
    <assembly>SIRDynamics.dll</assembly>
    <classname>SIRDynamics.GetInfectionRate</classname>
  </external>
</externals>
```



Agent Model: Flow



```
<flow>
  <name>$NAME$.RecoveryRate</name>
  <is_subflow>true</is_subflow>
  <super_flow>Aggregate.RecoveryRate</super_flow>
  <equation>DELAYFIXED($NAME$.InfectionRate, $NAME$.RecoveryDelay,0)</equation>
</flow>
```



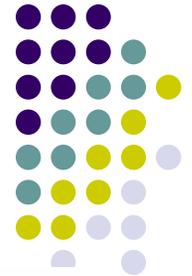
Agent Model: Auxs

```
<auxiliary>  
  <name>$NAME$.RecoveryDelay</name>  
  <equation>$RECOVERY_DELAY$</equation>  
</auxiliary>
```

```
<auxiliary>  
  <name>$NAME$.Infectivity</name>  
  <equation>$INFECTIVITY_CONSTANT$</equation>  
</auxiliary>
```

```
<auxiliary>  
  <name>$NAME$.NeighboursAvg</name>  
  <equation>NEIGHBOURHOOD_AVERAGE($NAME$, $NAME$.Infected)</equation>  
</auxiliary>
```

```
<auxiliary>  
  <name>$NAME$.Random</name>  
  <equation>RANDOM()</equation>  
</auxiliary>
```



Runtime Model - Setup

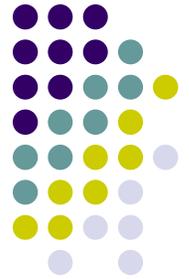
```
<start_time>0</start_time>
<finish_time>20</finish_time>
<time_step>0.25</time_step>
<number_agents>100</number_agents>

<society_structure>Grid</society_structure>
<number_rows>10</number_rows>
<number_columns>10</number_columns>

<do_grid_trace>true</do_grid_trace>
<grid_state_variables>
  <grid_state_variable>Susceptible</grid_state_variable>
  <grid_state_variable>Infected</grid_state_variable>
  <grid_state_variable>Recovered</grid_state_variable>
</grid_state_variables>

<grid_trace_frequency>5</grid_trace_frequency>
```

Runtime Model – Aggregate and Sub Models

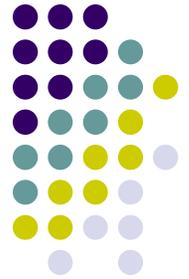


```
<aggregate_model_name>AggregateModel.xml</aggregate_model_name>
<aggregate_model_path>C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\
</aggregate_model_path>

<submodels>
  <submodel>
    <id>0</id>
    <file>TestAgent_01.xml</file>
    <path>C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\</path>
  </submodel>

  <submodel>
    <id>1</id>
    <file>TestAgent_02.xml</file>
    <path>C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\</path>
  </submodel>
</submodels>
```

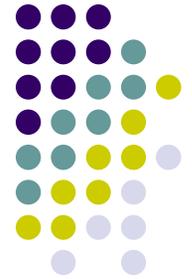
Runtime Model – Agent Instances



```
<agent_instances>
  <agent_instance>
    <id>NormalAgentSusceptible</id>
    <percentage>95</percentage>
  </agent_instance>

  <agent_instance>
    <id>NormalAgentInfected</id>
    <percentage>5</percentage>
  </agent_instance>

</agent_instances>
```



```
<segment>
  <segment_id>NormalAgentSusceptible</segment_id>
  <submodel_id>1</submodel_id>|
  <parameters>
    <parameter>
      <id>$SUSCEPTIBLE_INIT$</id>
      <value>1</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>$INFECTED_INIT$</id>
      <value>0</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>$RECOVERED_INIT$</id>
      <value>0</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>$RECOVERY_DELAY$</id>
      <value>3</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>$INFECTIVITY_CONSTANT$</id>
      <value>0.15</value>
    </parameter>
  </parameters>
</segment>
```

Runtime Model – Agent Type 1



```
<segment>
  <segment_id>NormalAgentInfected</segment_id>
  <submodel_id>1</submodel_id>
  <parameters>
    <parameter>
      <id>${SUSCEPTIBLE_INIT$}</id>
      <value>0</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>${INFECTED_INIT$}</id>
      <value>1</value>
    </parameter>

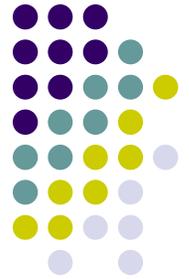
    <parameter>
      <id>${RECOVERED_INIT$}</id>
      <value>0</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>${RECOVERY_DELAY$}</id>
      <value>3</value>
    </parameter>

    <parameter>
      <id>${INFECTIVITY_CONSTANT$}</id>
      <value>0.15</value>
    </parameter>
  </parameters>
</segment>
```

Runtime Model – Agent Type 2

CABM.exe.config



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<configuration>
  <appSettings>
    <add key="InputFile" value="RunTimeModel.xml" />
    <add key="OutputFile" value="RunTimeBenchmarkModel.xml" />
    <add key="InputDirectory" value="C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\" />
    <add key="OutputDirectorySim" value="C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Results\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\" />
    <add key="FilterOutput" value="true" />
    <add key="NumberFilterVariables" value="4" />
    <add key="FilterVariable_0" value="Aggregate.Susceptible" />
    <add key="FilterVariable_1" value="Aggregate.Infected" />
    <add key="FilterVariable_2" value="Aggregate.Recovered" />
    <add key="FilterVariable_3" value="Aggregate.Population" />
  </appSettings>
</configuration>
```



Run Simulation (CABM)

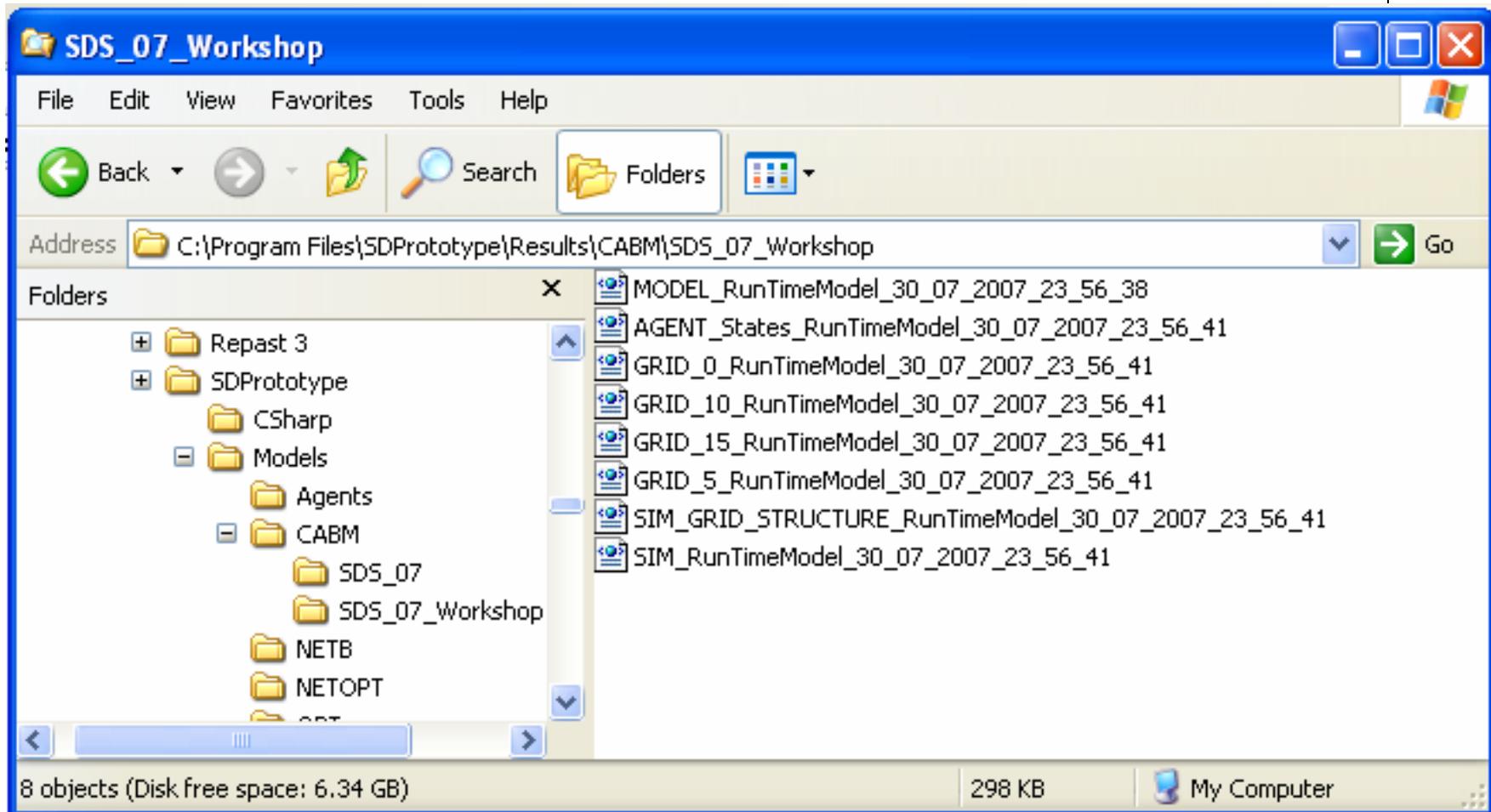
```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
C:\Program Files\SDPrototype>
C:\Program Files\SDPrototype>
C:\Program Files\SDPrototype>cabm

CABM U1.0... running [RunTimeModel.xml] @ time [30/07/2007 23:49:33]
Reading the contents from the file[C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_
07_Workshop\RunTimeModel.xml]
Is_Sensitivity = False #agents = 100

Reading the contents from the file[C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_
07_Workshop\AggregateModel.xml]
Reading the contents from the file[C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Models\CABM\SDS_
07_Workshop\TestAgent.xml]
Starting Agent Simulation run
>>> C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Results\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\MODEL_RunTimeModel
_30_07_2007_23_49_33.xml
Starting Integration @ [30/07/2007 23:49:33.695]
Finished Integration @ [30/07/2007 23:49:35.617]
CABM... [XML] results written to directory [C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Results
\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\]
CABM U1.0... Completed @ time [30/07/2007 23:49:35]

C:\Program Files\SDPrototype>
```

XML Output Files



The Full Model: Model_RuntimeModel



```
C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Results\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\MODEL_RuntimeModel_31_07_2007_02_47_2 - Windows Internet Explorer
C:\Program Files\SDPrototype\Results\CABM\SDS_07_Workshop\MODEL_RuntimeModel_31_07_2007_02_47_26.xml
Google
Go
Bookmarks
Popups okay
Check
AutoLink
AutoFill
Settings
Systems theory > Notes - an...
C:\Program Files\SDProt...

To help protect your security, Internet Explorer has restricted this webpage from running scripts or ActiveX controls that could access your computer. Click here for options...

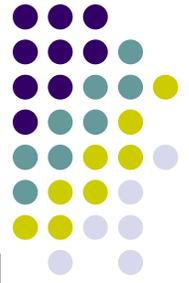
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
- <model>
  <name>This file [RunTimeBenchmarkModel.xml] was automatically generated by the CABM Utility</name>
  <date>31/07/2007 02:47:26</date>
  <start_time>0</start_time>
  <finish_time>20</finish_time>
  <time_step>0.25</time_step>
  <has_aggregates>true</has_aggregates>
- <stocks>
  - <stock>
    <name>Aggregate.Susceptible</name>
    <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
    <init>0.0</init>
    <outflow>Aggregate.InfectionRate</outflow>
  </stock>
  - <stock>
    <name>Aggregate.Infected</name>
    <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
    <init>0.0</init>
    <inflow>Aggregate.InfectionRate</inflow>
    <outflow>Aggregate.RecoveryRate</outflow>
  </stock>
  - <stock>
    <name>Aggregate.Recovered</name>
    <is_aggregate>true</is_aggregate>
    <init>0.0</init>
```



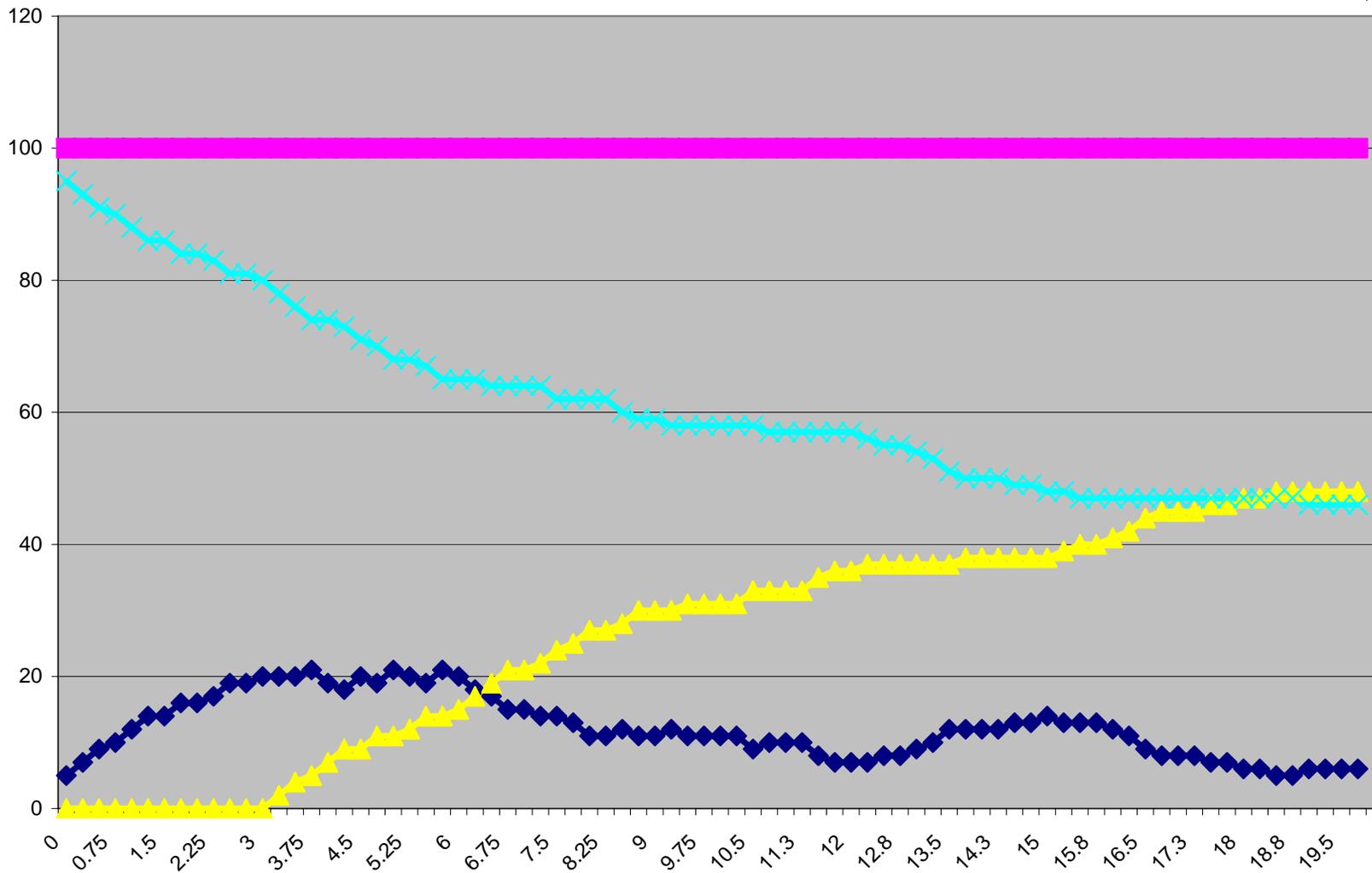
Aggregate Results: SIM_RunTimeModel

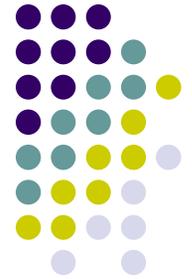
	A	B	C	D	E
1	Time	Aggregate.Infected	Aggregate.Population	Aggregate.Recovered	Aggregate.Susceptible
2	0	5	100	0	95
3	0.25	7	100	0	93
4	0.5	9	100	0	91
5	0.75	10	100	0	90
6	1	12	100	0	88
7	1.25	14	100	0	86
8	1.5	14	100	0	86
9	1.75	16	100	0	84
10	2	16	100	0	84
11	2.25	17	100	0	83
12	2.5	19	100	0	81
13	2.75	19	100	0	81
14	3	20	100	0	80
15	3.25	20	100	2	78
16	3.5	20	100	4	76
17	3.75	21	100	5	74
18	4	19	100	7	74
19	4.25	18	100	9	73
20	4.5	20	100	9	71
21	4.75	19	100	11	70
22	5	21	100	11	68

Aggregate Results: SIM_RunTimeModel



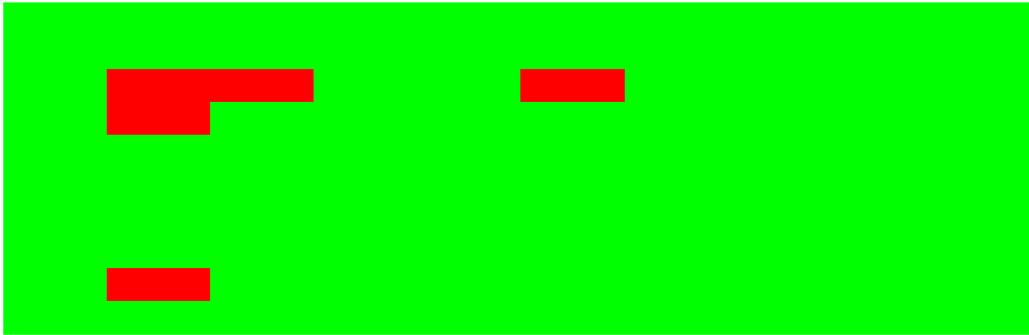
Aggregate.Infected Aggregate.Population Aggregate.Recovered Aggregate.Susceptible



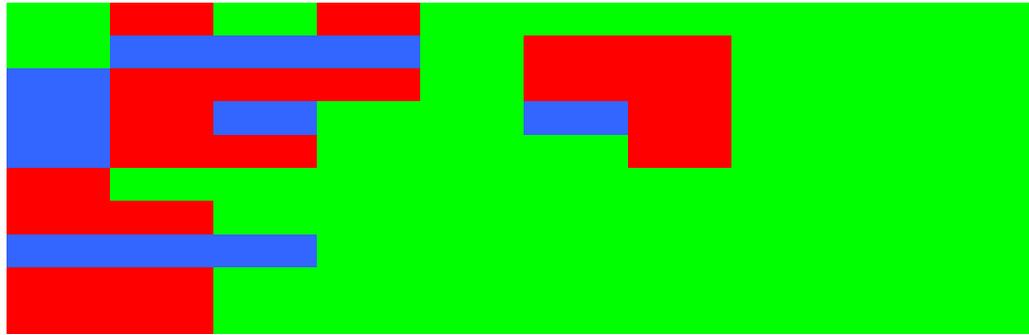


GRID_Structure

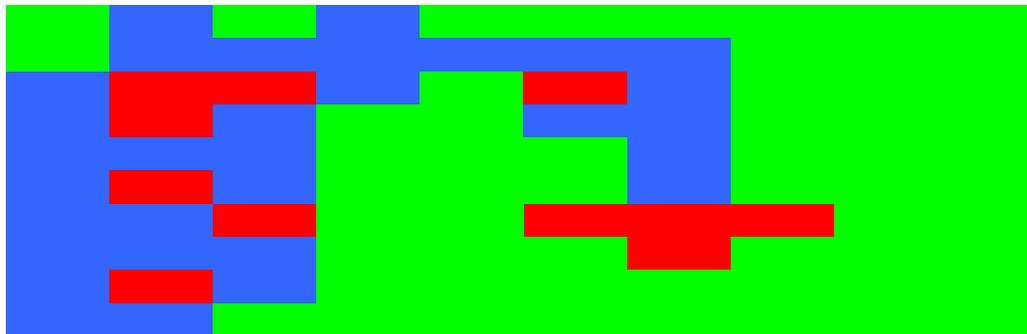
	A	B	C	D
1	ID	row	column	agent
2	1	0	0	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_63
3	1	0	1	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_65
4	1	0	2	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_2
5	1	0	3	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_55
6	1	0	4	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_61
7	1	0	5	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_72
8	1	0	6	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_92
9	1	0	7	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_57
10	1	0	8	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_52
11	1	0	9	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_83
12	1	1	0	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_7
13	1	1	1	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_30
14	1	1	2	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_68
15	1	1	3	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_45
16	1	1	4	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_18
17	1	1	5	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_80
18	1	1	6	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_32
19	1	1	7	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_86
20	1	1	8	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_62
21	1	1	9	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_15
22	1	2	0	NormalAgentSusceptible_AG_66



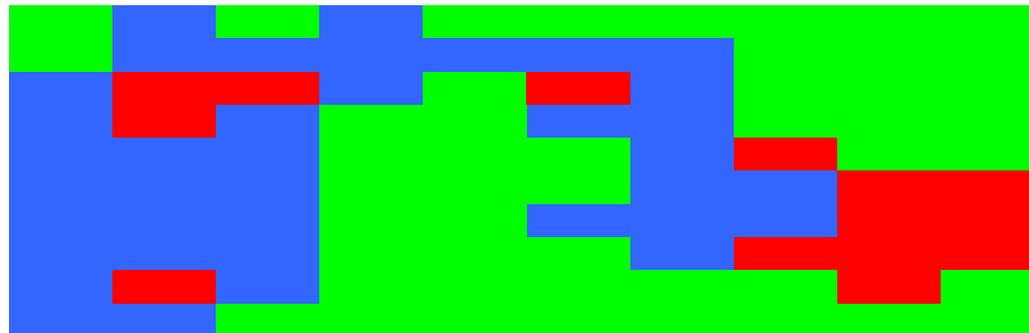
t = 0



t = 5

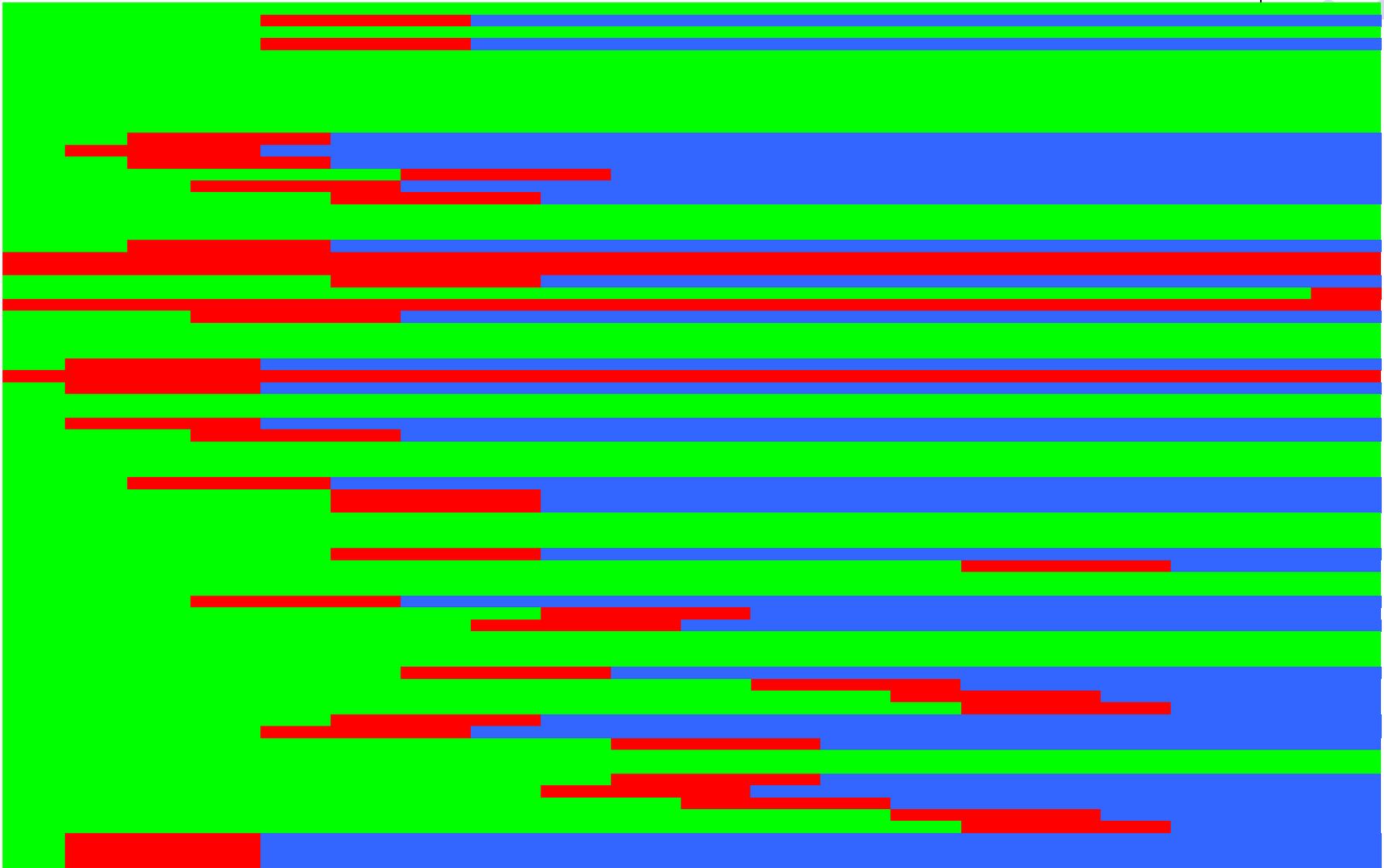
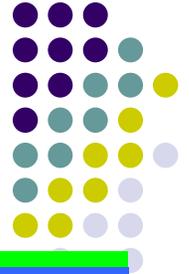


t = 10



t = 15

Agent State Changes





Conclusions

- An exploratory approach to use SD as a basis ABM
- Research applications, and classroom teaching
- Enhancements:
 - Underlying network structures
 - Usability
 - Performance
 - Aggregating mechanisms

