OpenSim Simulation API

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Classes for running simulations

- **1. Integrator classes**
- 2. Manager class
- 3. OpenSim Tools

OpenSim Integrators

- 1. Numerically solve equations of motion
- **2.** Use SimTK's integrator classes
- 3. Different integrators work better on some systems of equations than others.

Integrators

1. Merson

- Best for most simulations
- SimTK::RungeKuttaMersonIntegrator

2. Feldberg

- In previous versions of OpenSim
- SimTK::RungeKuttaFeldbergIntegrator

3. Cpodes

- Stiff systems
- SimTK::CpodesIntegrator

- 1. System has two or more very different time scales.
- 2. In order to maintain stability, step size is determined by shortest time scale and not by accuracy.



Euler's Method $y_1 = y_0 + h f(t_0, y_0)$ where $h = t_1 t_0$



Integrator API

SimTK::RungeKuttaMersonIntegrator integrator(model.getSystem());

integrator.setAccuracy(1.0e-4);



Interface between OpenSim and Integrator

Integrator

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<u>Manager</u>

API:

Manager manager(osimModel, osimModel.getSystem(), integrator); manager.setInitialTime(initialTime); manager.setFinalTime(finallTime); manager.integrate(state);

OpenSim Tools

1. Tool classes

- OpenSim tools: forward, cmc, perturb, scale, ik, analyze
- Subclass AbstractTool

2. Implementation

- ForwardTool.run() similar to main() in examples
- Load model and parameters from XML files
- Warning: can be complex!