ŠKODA AUTO University

Computer Simulation of Logistics Processes

Programming in SimTalk

Jan Fábry

10/04/2023

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Aim of the lecture

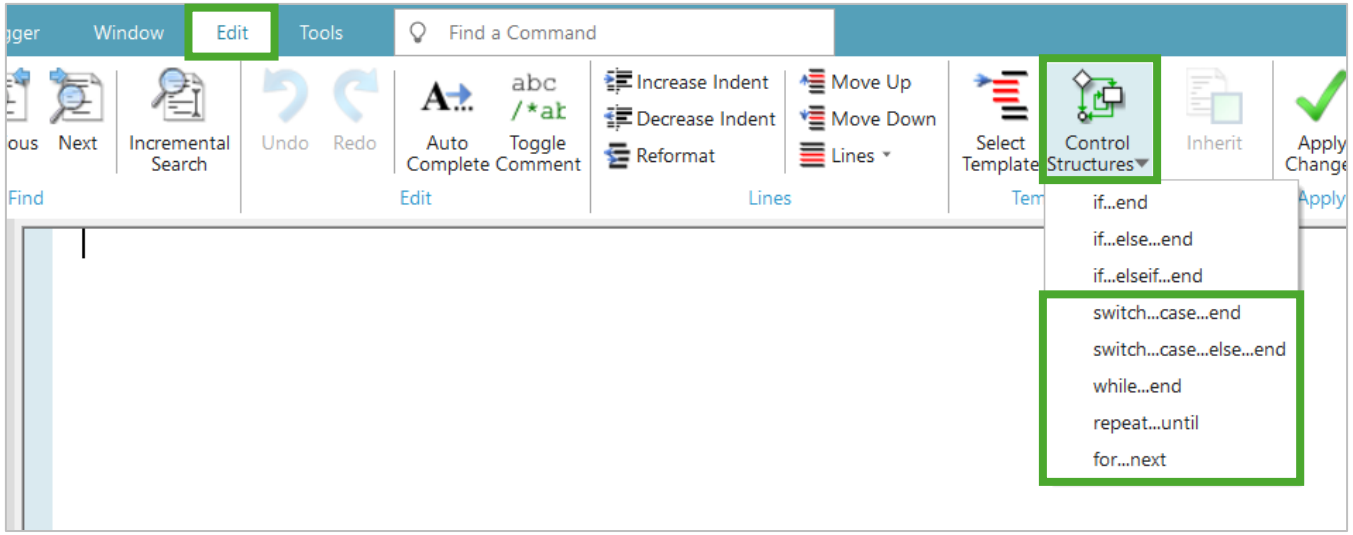
- To introduce the possibilities to work with cycles and tables.

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Structure of the lecture

- Conditional commands with SWITCH:
  - switch … case … end
  - switch … case … else … end
- Commands with repeated run:
  - while … end
  - repeat … until
  - for … next
- Tables.

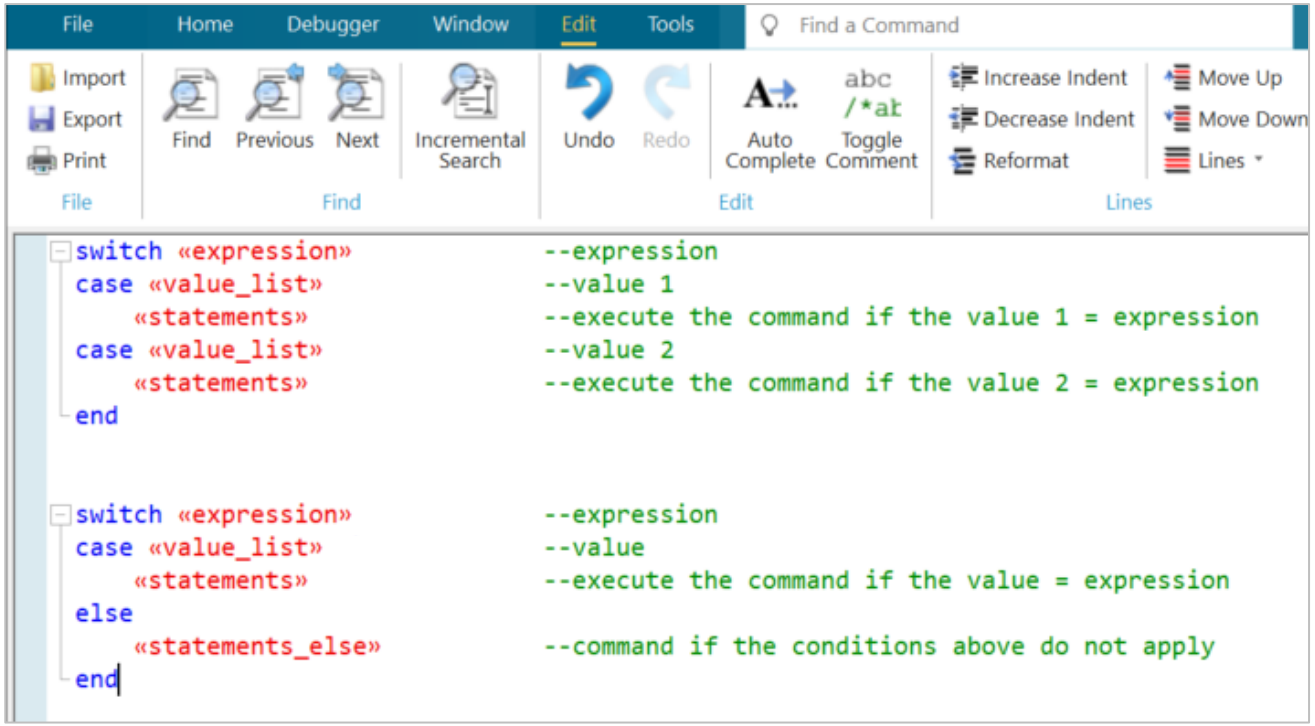


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Conditional commands with switch

- Types:
  - switch <expression>
    case <value>
    <general command>
    case <value>
    <general command>
    end
  - switch <expression>
    case <value>
    <general command>
    else
    <general command>
    end



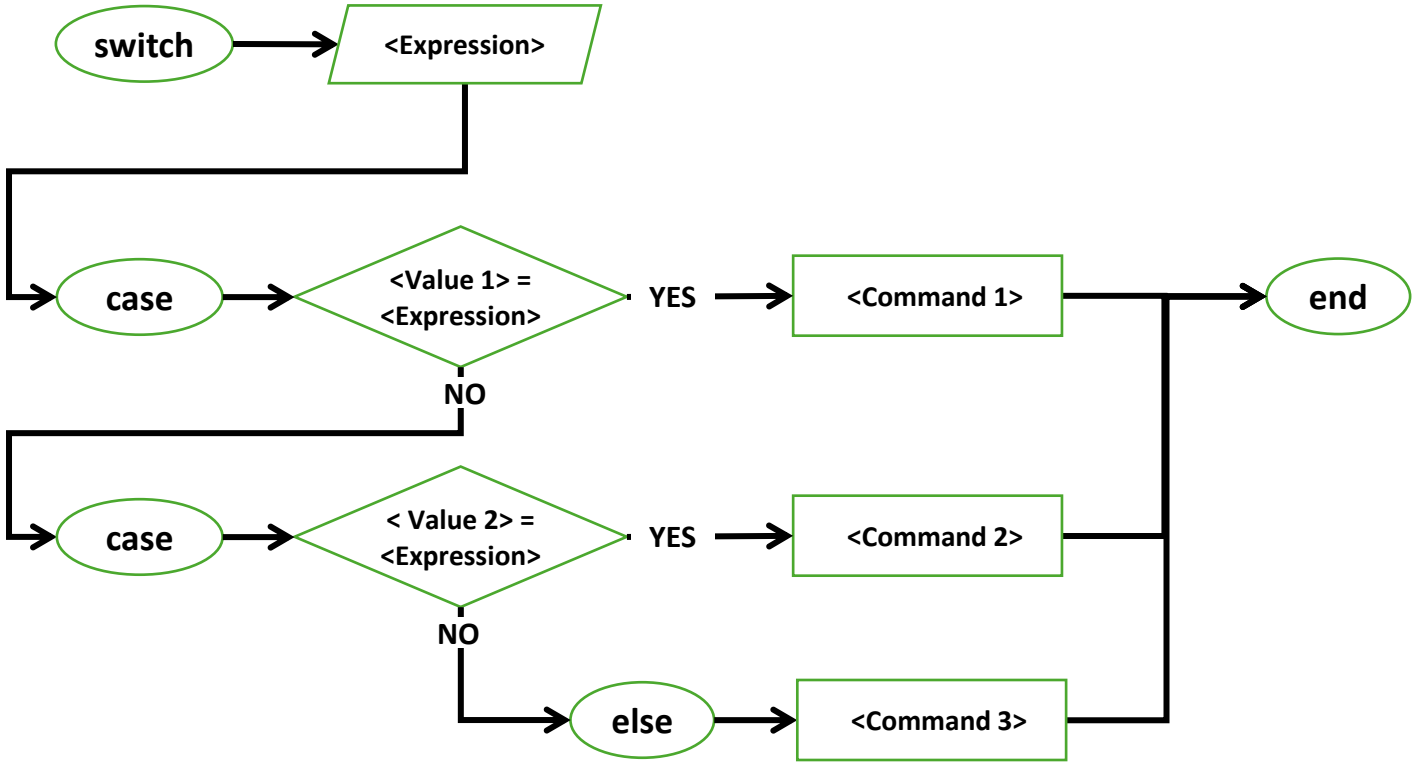
- Syntax “case <value> <general command>” can be used multiple times.
- Value/expression can be integer, real or string data type.

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Conditional commands with switch

- Syntax diagram:

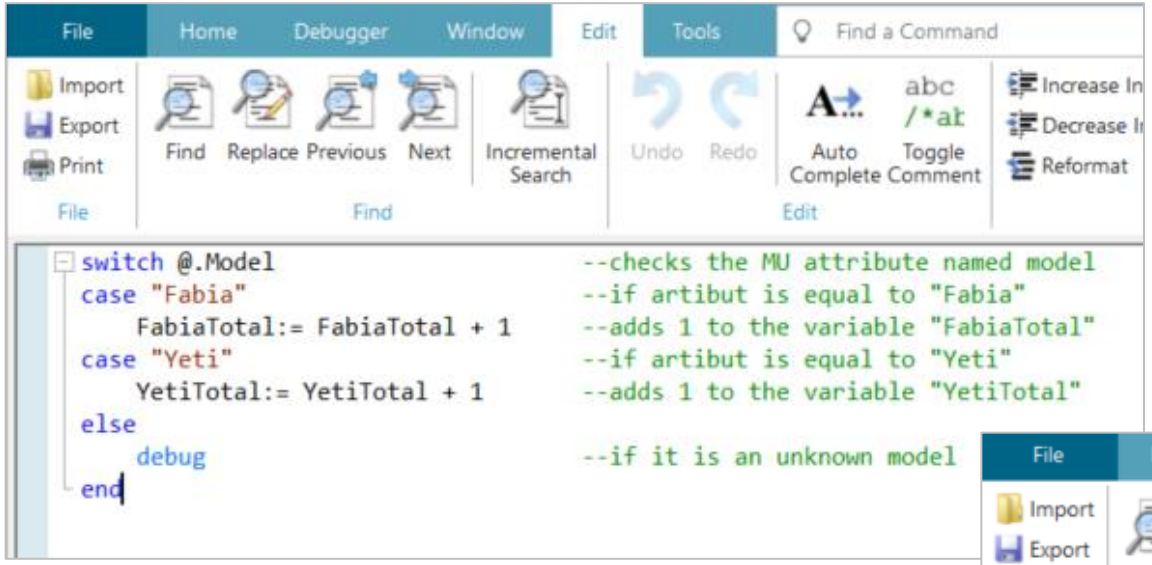


Programming in SimTalk

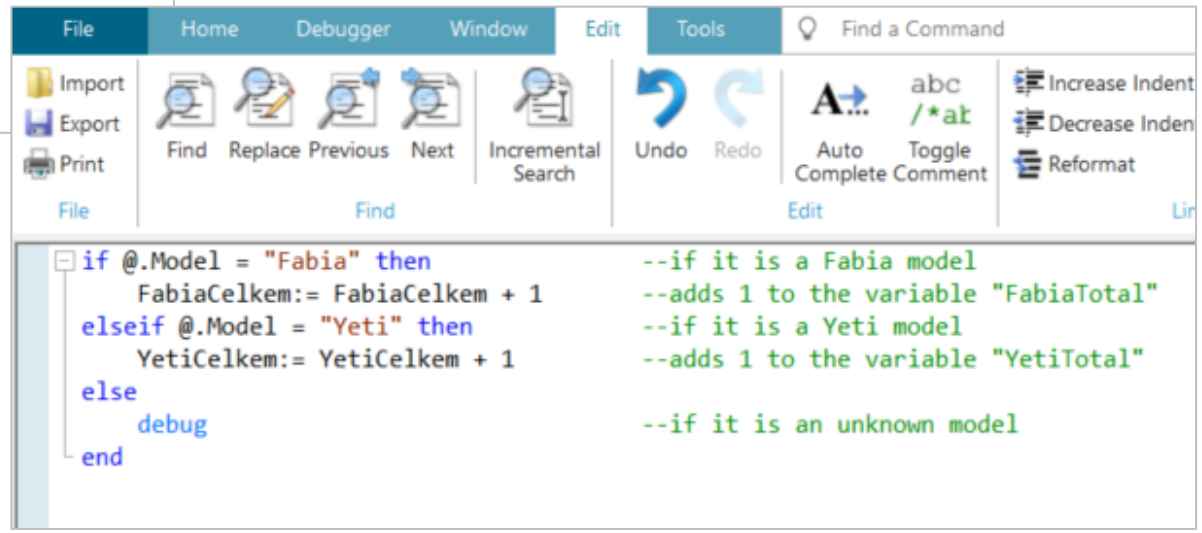
ŠKODA AUTO University

Conditional commands with switch

- Example:



- Example of using the IF command:

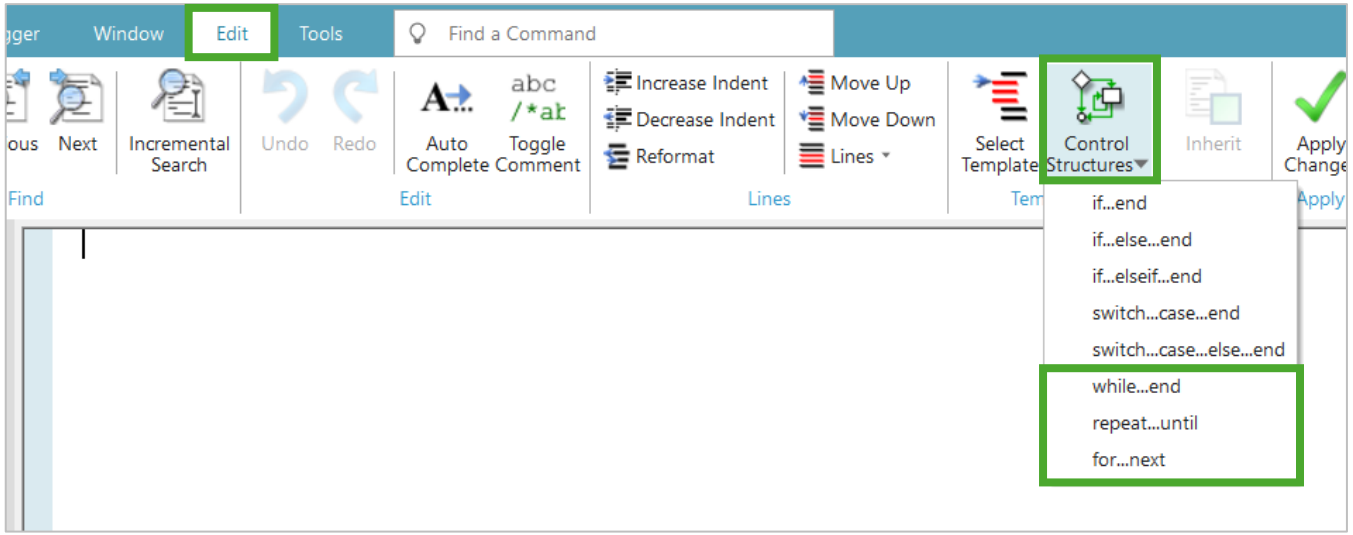


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run

- The cycle is defined via control variable.
- The commands contained in the cycle are processed as long as the control variable does not exceed a final value, a certain condition is met or in the opposite, until a certain condition occurs.
- Basic types of cycles:
  - while … end
  - repeat … until
  - for … next



Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with for...next

- Types:
  - for <control variable := start value> to <end value>
    <Command sequence in the loop>
    end
    - initial value < final value

```
for var «loop_variable» := «start_value» to «end_value»
    «loop_statements»
next
```

  - for <control variable := start value> downto <end value>
    <Command sequence in the loop>
    end
    - initial value > final value

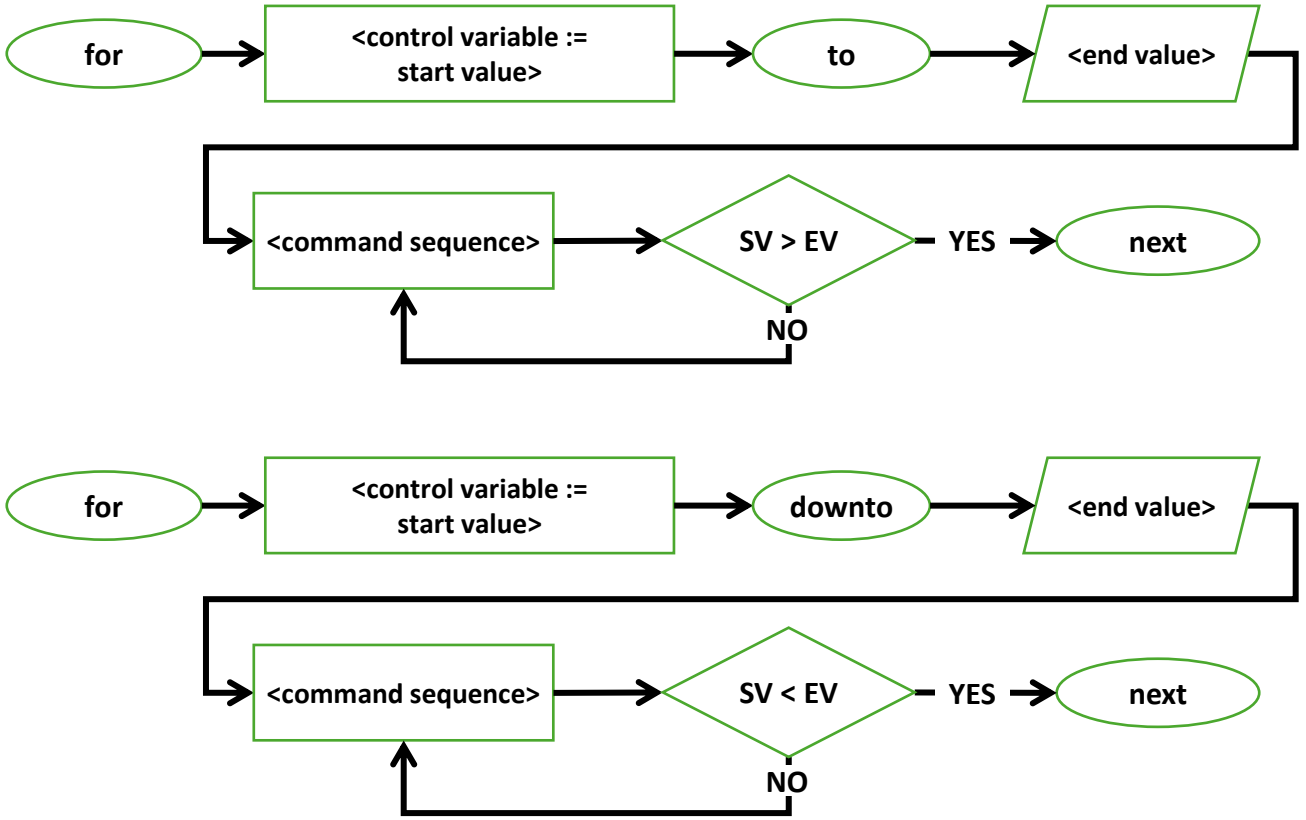
```
for var «loop_variable» := «start_value» downto «end_value»
    «loop_statements»
next
```

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with for...next

- Syntax diagram:

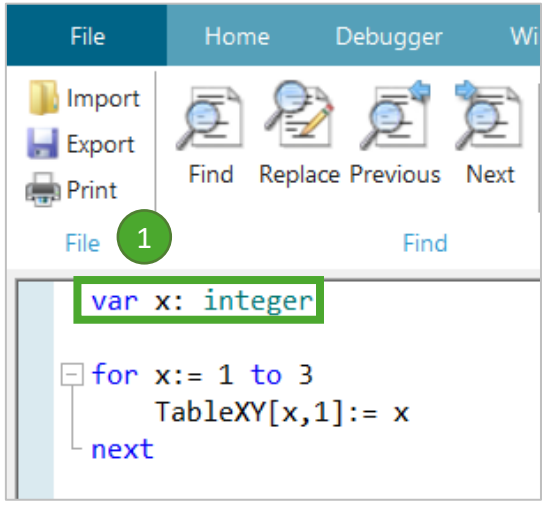


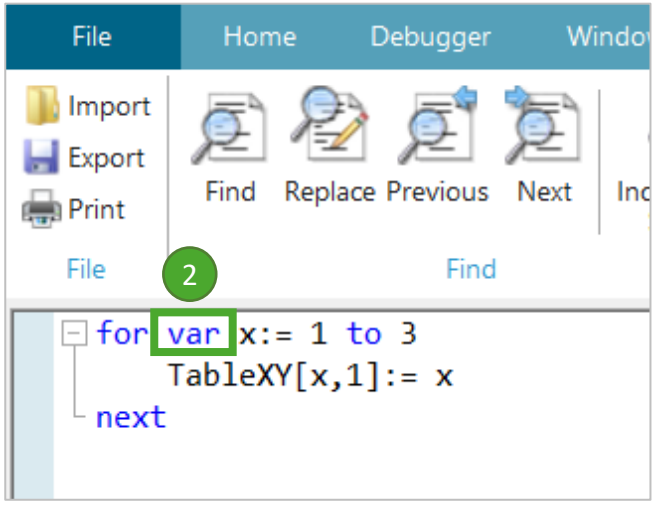
Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with for...next

- Definition of the control variable (loop_variable):
  - Control variable must be of data type integer.
  - It can be defined as local variable (1) or directly in the command via keyword “var” (2).
  - By using “var” in the command, the control variable becomes visible only in the loop.



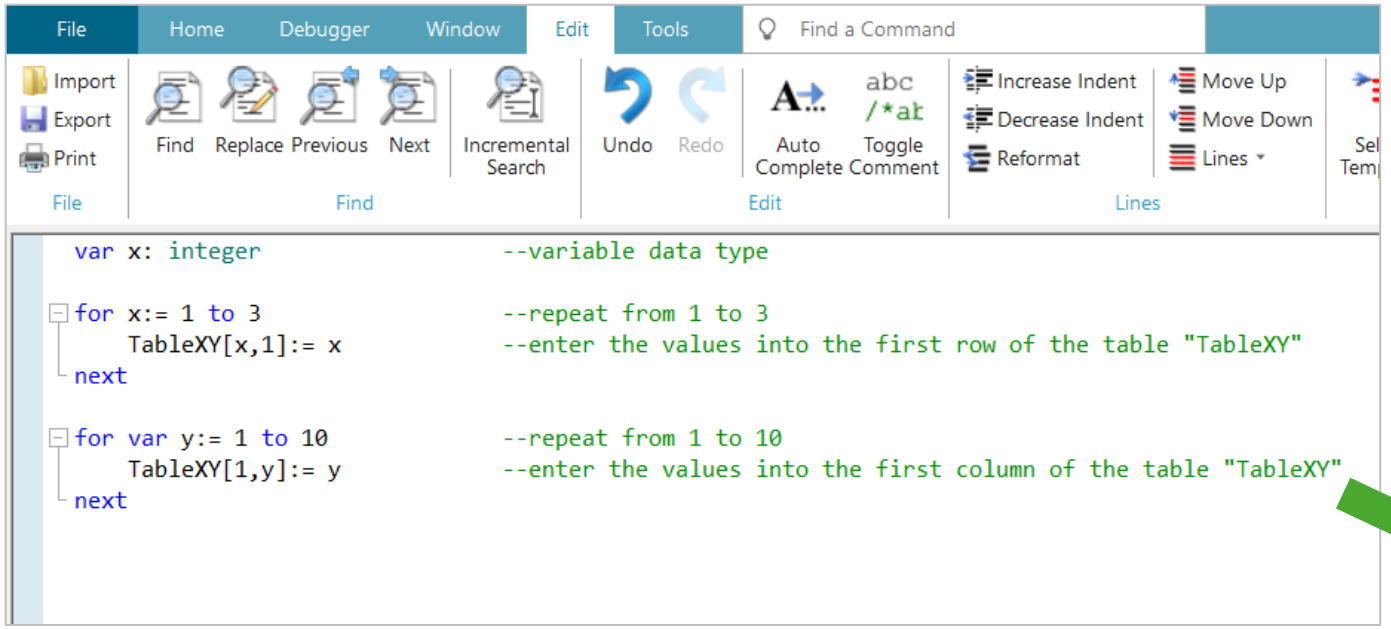


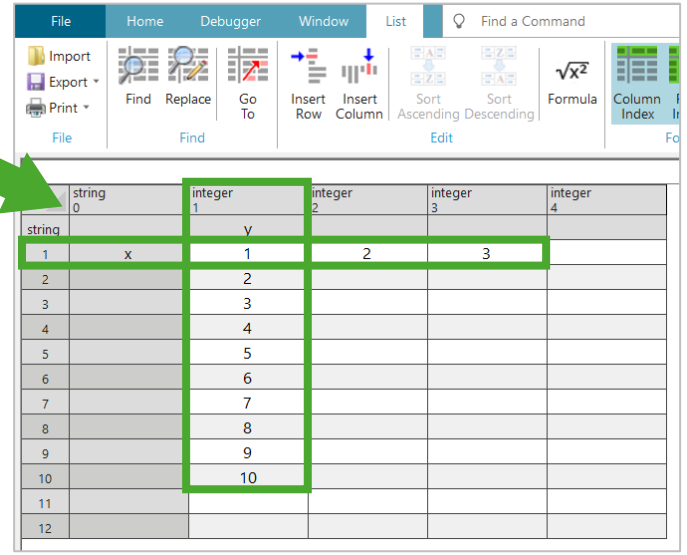
Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with for...next

- Example:





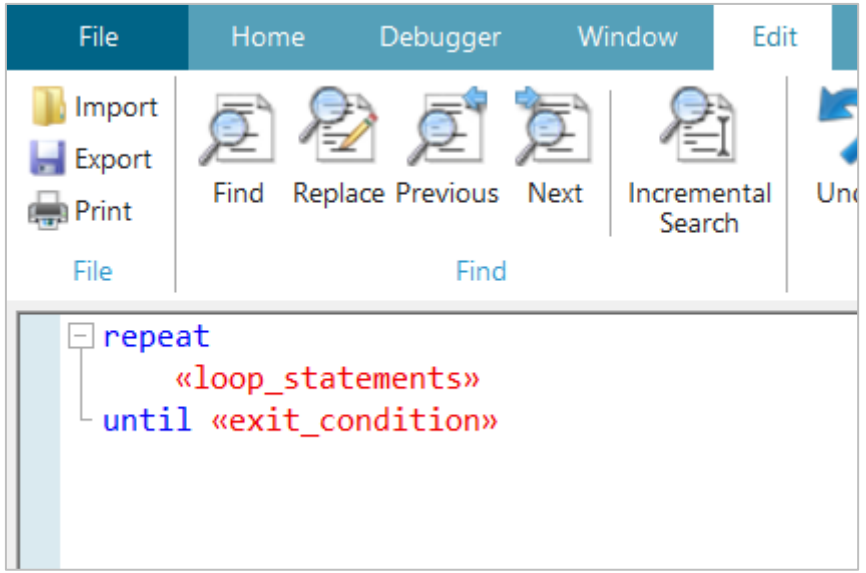
	string 0	integer 1	integer 2	integer 3	integer 4
string		y			
1	x	1	2	3	
2		2			
3		3			
4		4			
5		5			
6		6			
7		7			
8		8			
9		9			
10		10			
11					
12					

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with repeat…until

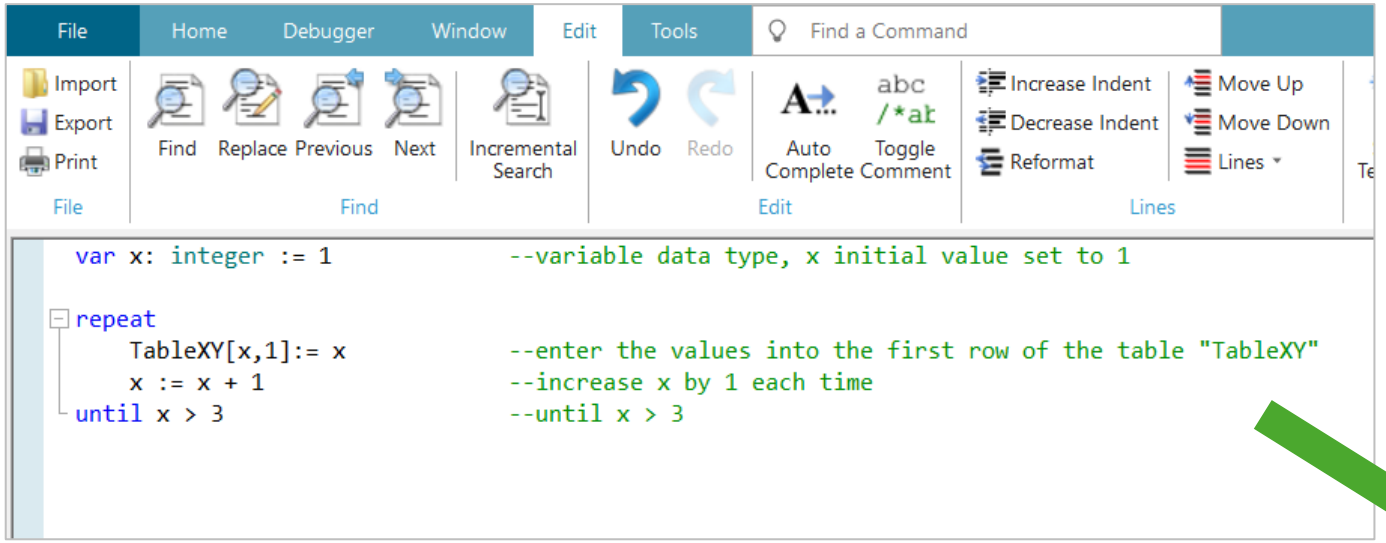
- repeat
  <Command sequence in the loop>
  until <Condition for loop termination >

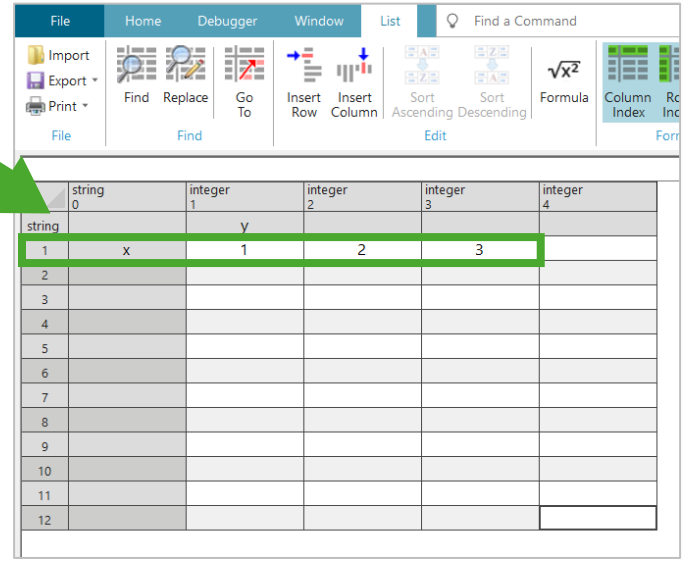


Programming in SimTalk

Commands with repeated run with repeat…until

- Example:



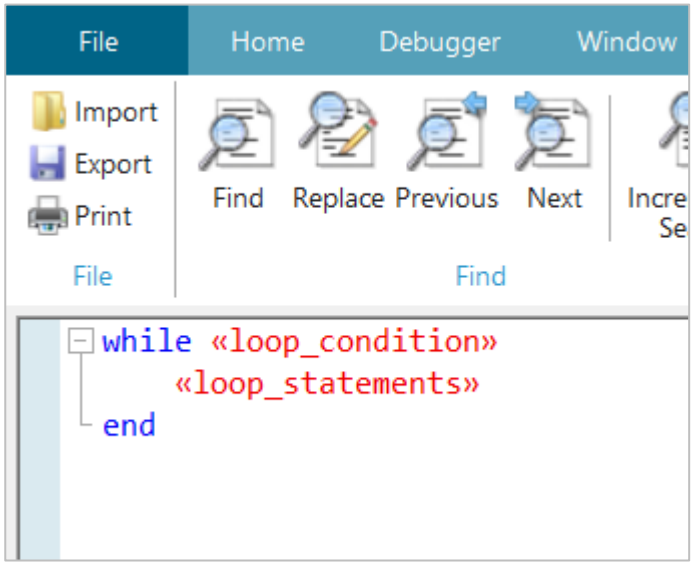


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Commands with repeated run with while…end

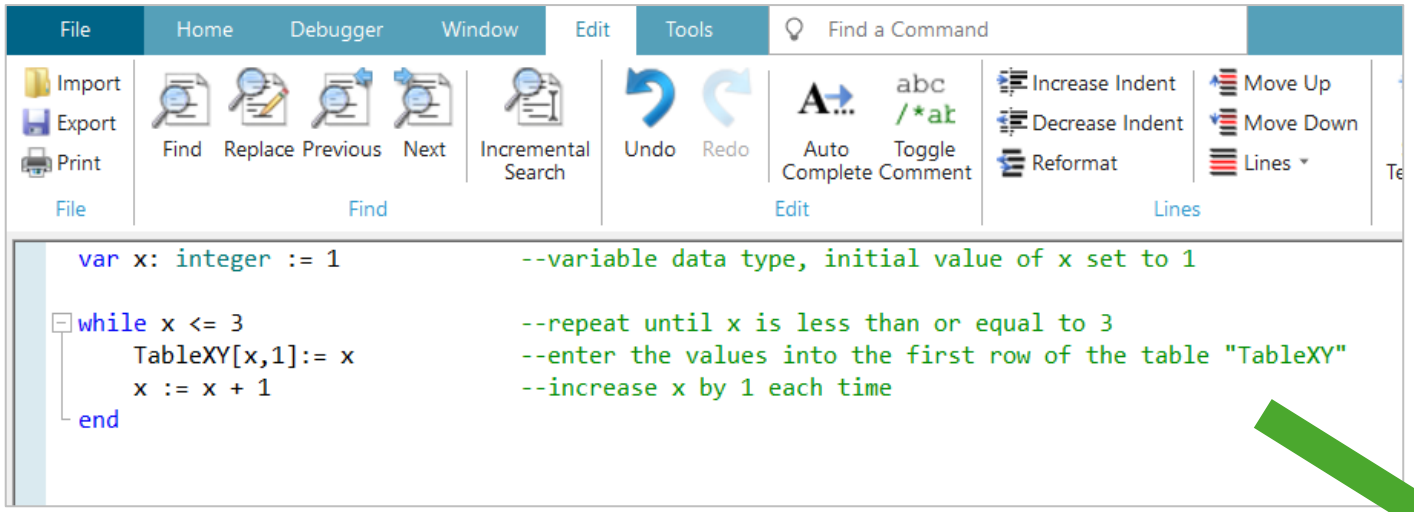
- while <Condition for the loop run>
  < Command sequence in the loop >
  end

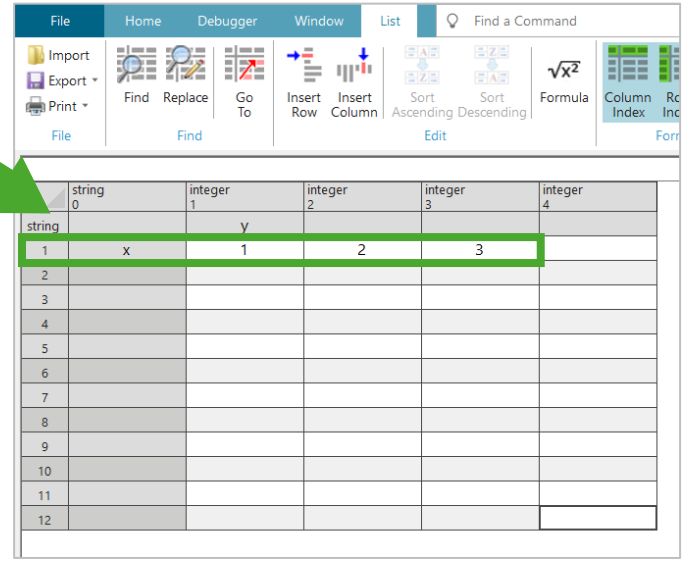


Programming in SimTalk

Commands with repeated run with while…end

- Example:



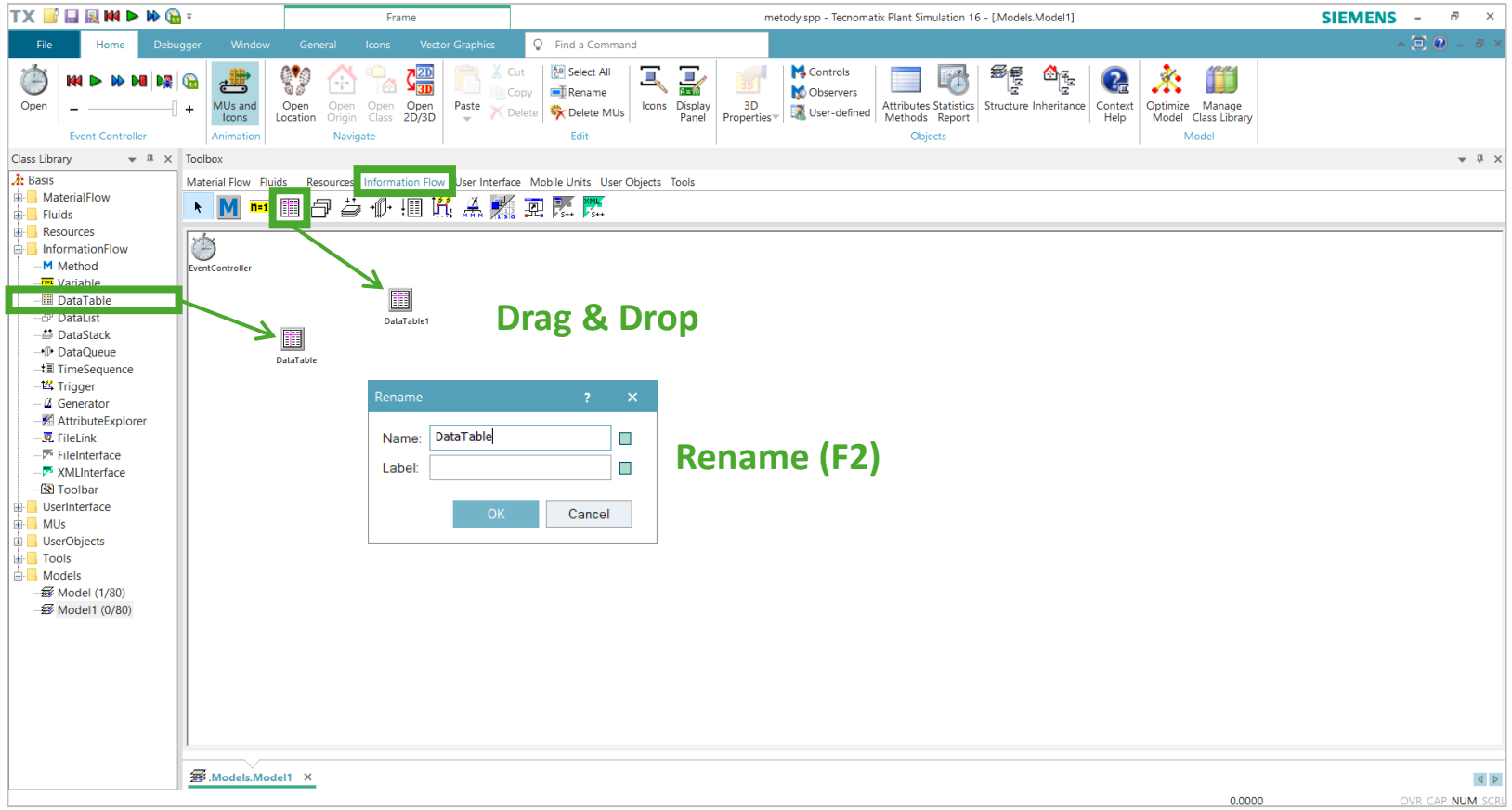


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table

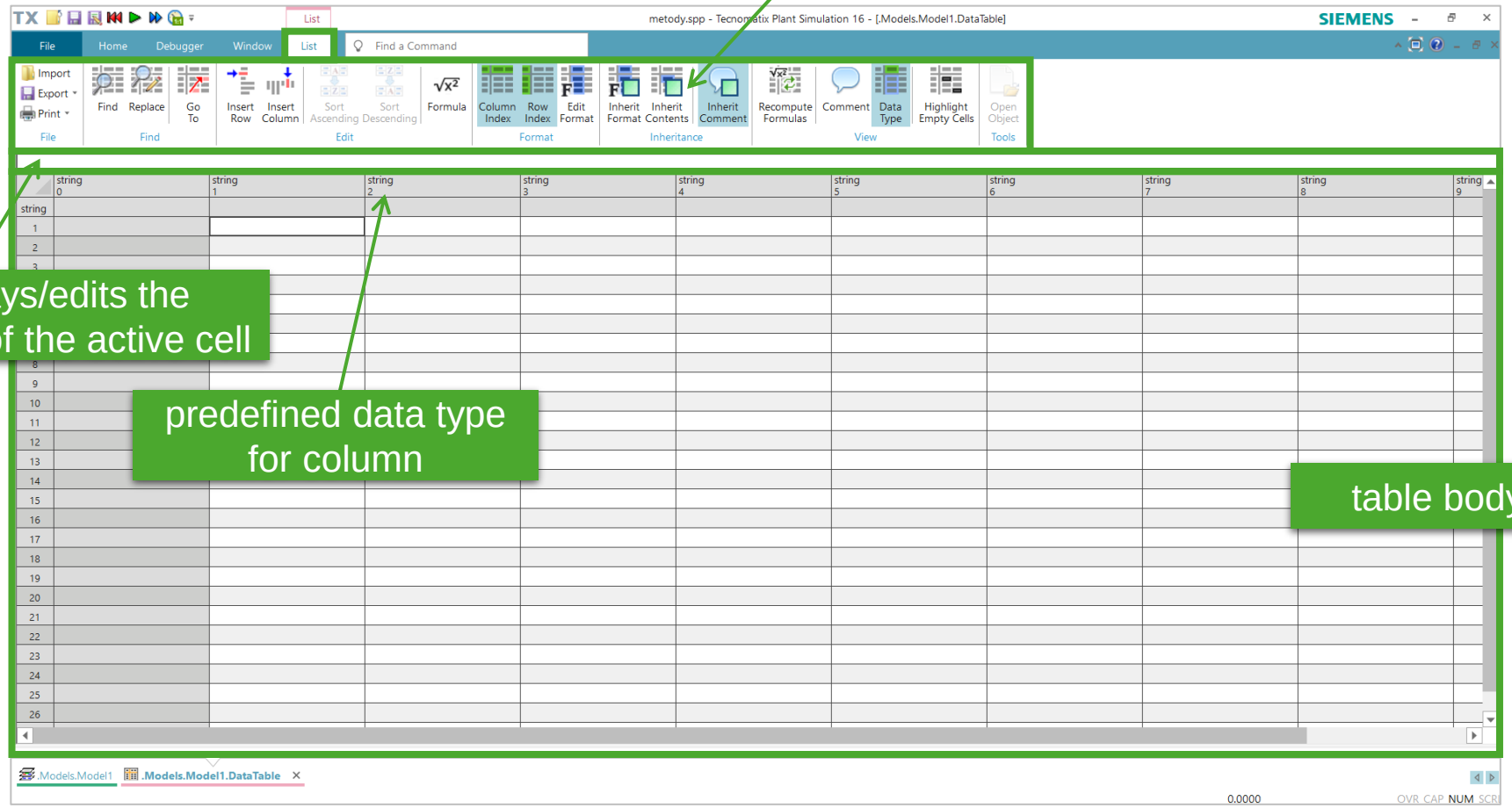
- Table is an object composed of rows and columns.
- It is used for writing or reading values/expressions.
- Values/expressions can be added or deleted during the simulation run.



Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

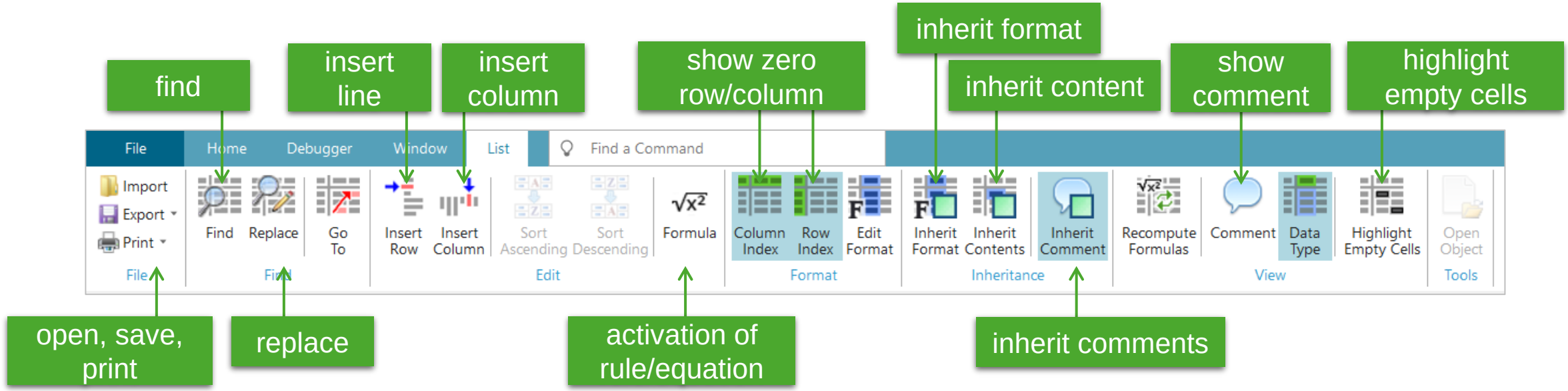
Table



Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table – main menu

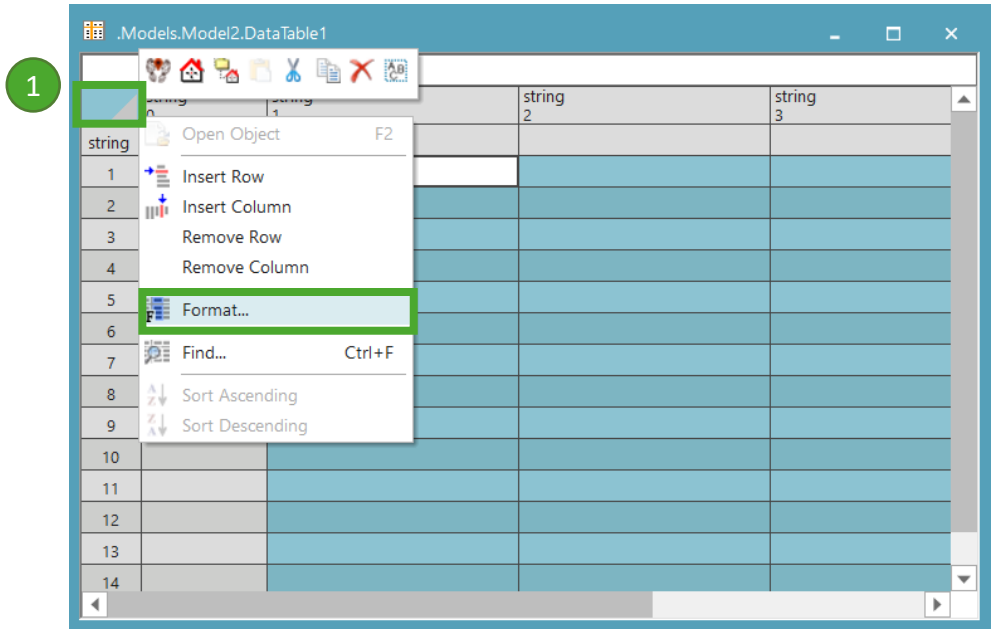


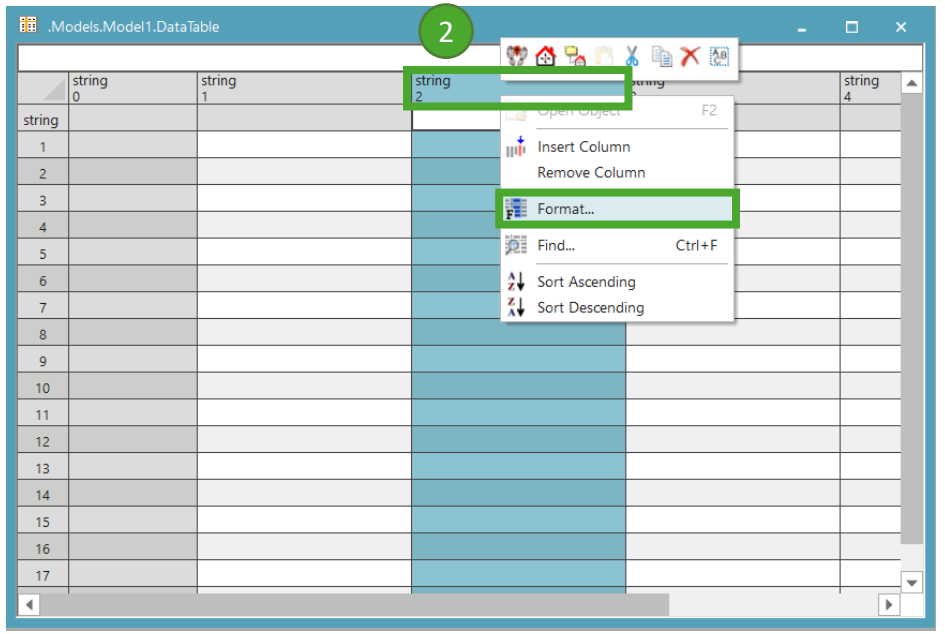
Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format

- Table format
  - Possibility to format the entire table (1) or rows / columns only (2).





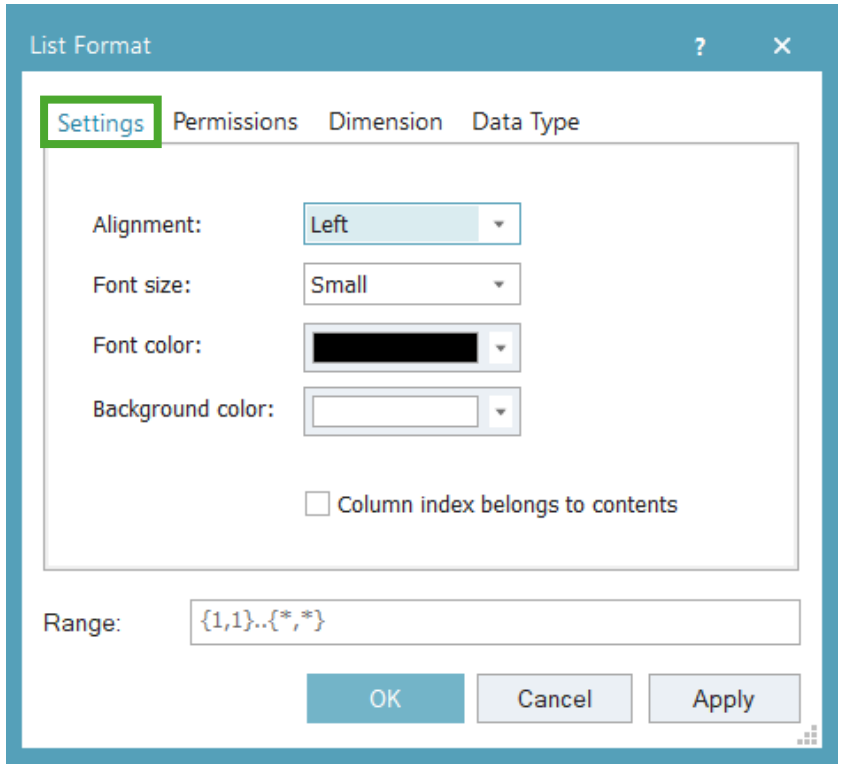
  - After activating the Inheritance function, the entire table is reformatted = DATA LOSS!

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format

- Table format
  - Setting of alignment, font size and color, cell color.

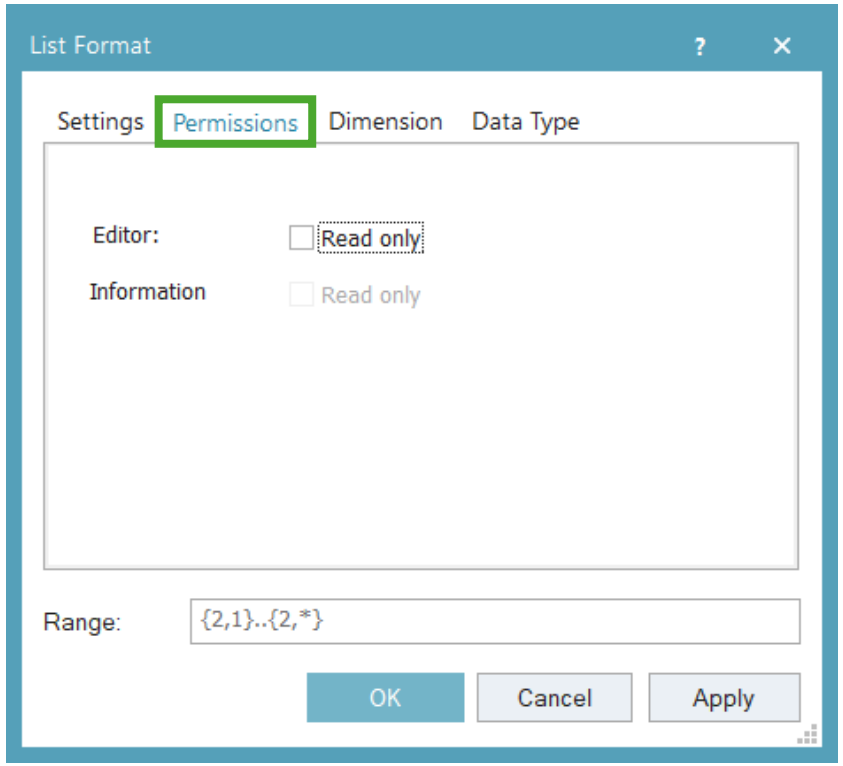


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format

- Table format
  - Setting of write and read-only permissions.

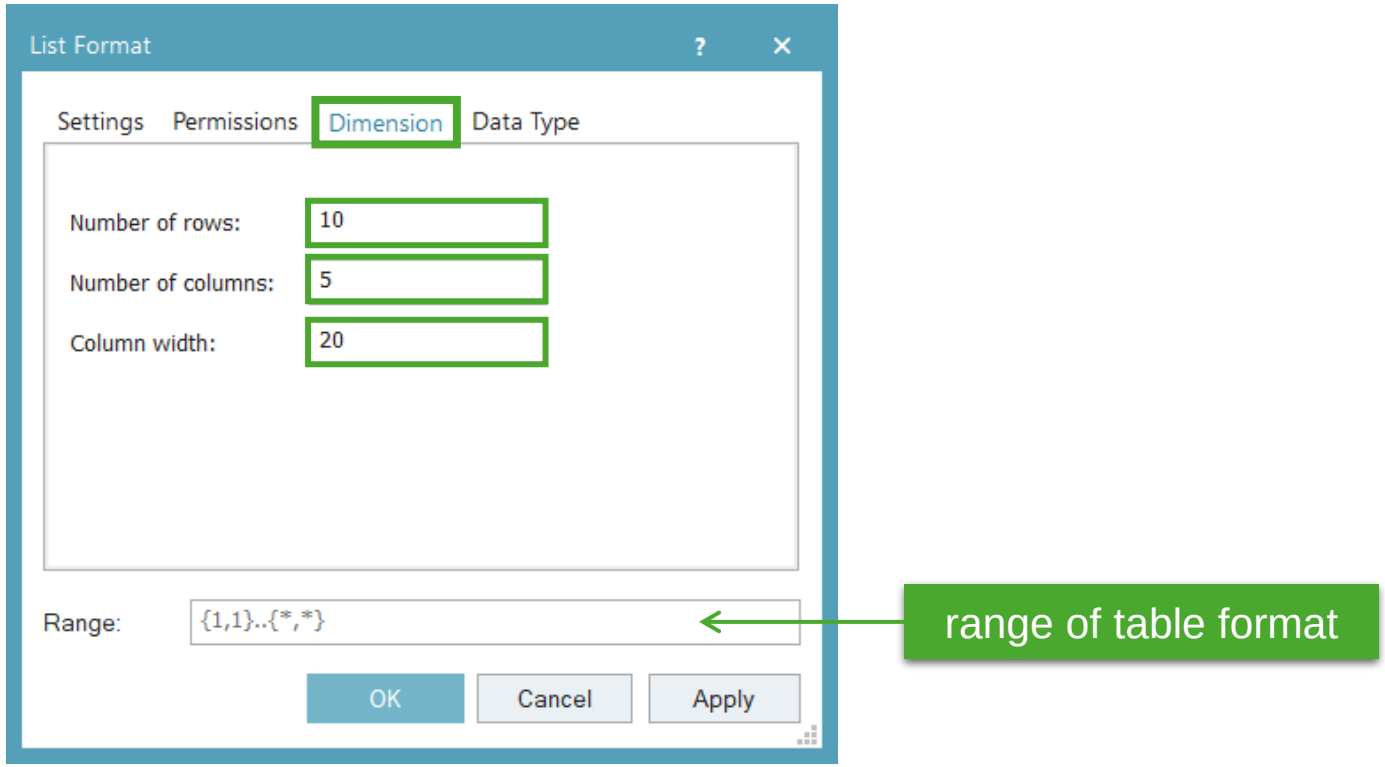


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format

- Table format
  - Edit number of rows/columns.

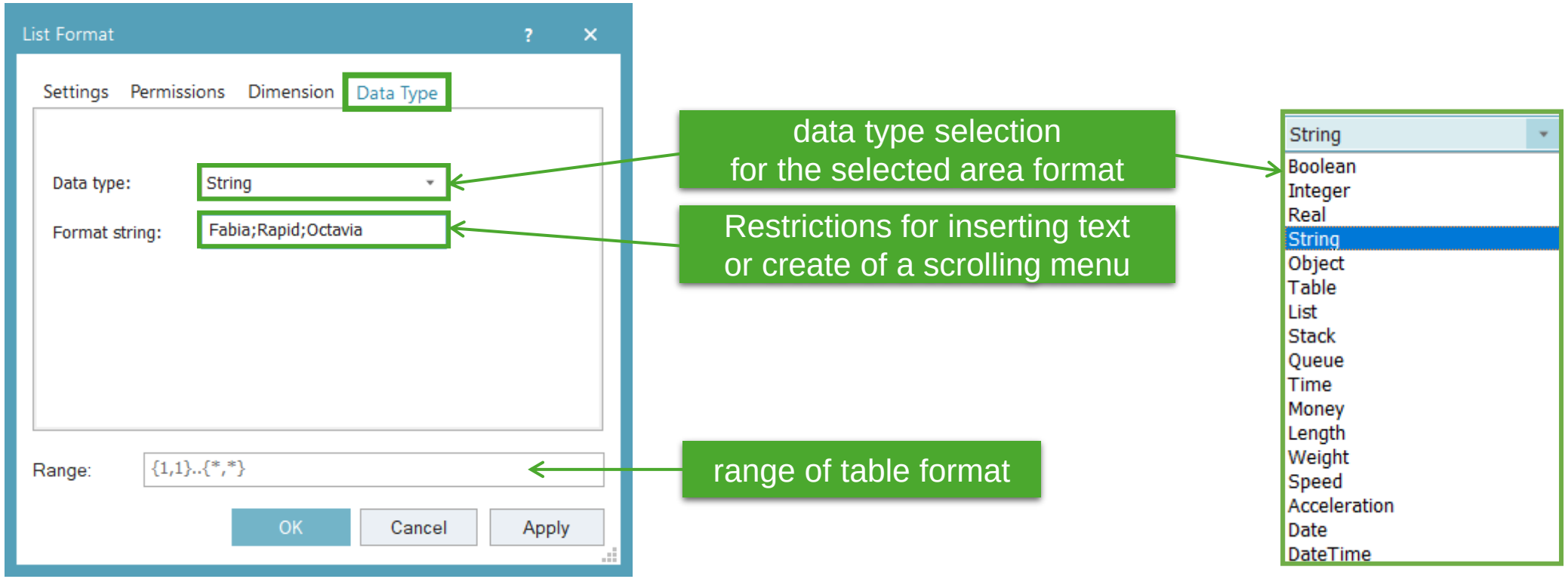


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format

- Table format
  - Modification of data type.

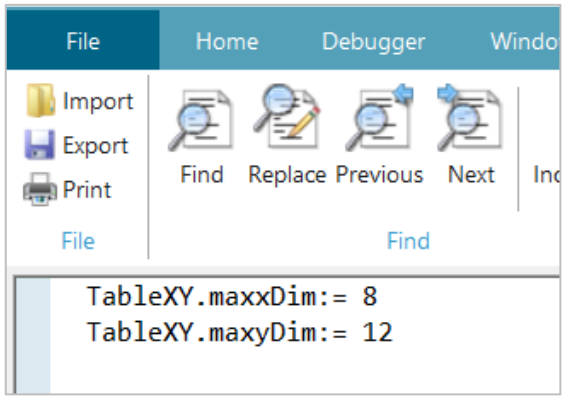


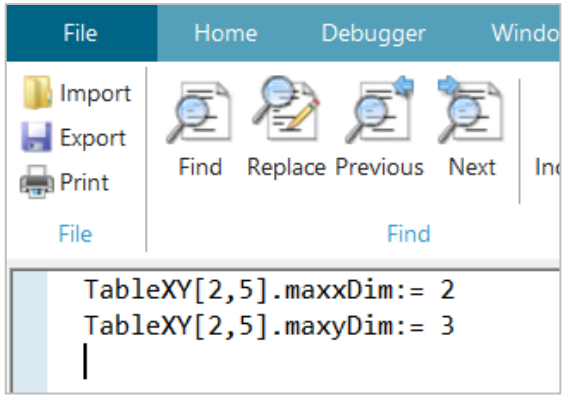
Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format via method

- Table format
  - Table formatting via method
    - Numbers of columns, rows
      - <table_name>.MaxxDim := 8
      - <table_name>.MaxyDim := 12
  - SUBtable formatting via method
    - Numbers of columns, rows
      - <table_name>[column,row].MaxxDim := 2
      - <table_name>[column,row].MaxyDim := 3





Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format via method

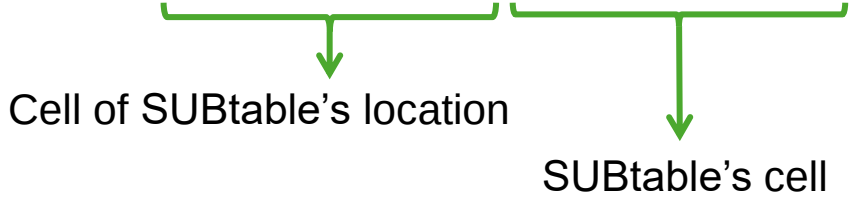
- Reading from table
  - print <table_name>[<column>,<row>]
- General write to the table
  - <table_name>[<column>,<row>]:= <value>
- Change of object's attributes from the table
  - <Object>.<attribute> := <table_name>[<column>,<row>]
- Deleting of the contents of the table
  - <table_name>.delete
  - <table_name>.delete({<column>,<row>}…{<column>,<row>})
- When the zero column and row are active and filled, it is possible to enter a description as a path to the cell
  - <table_name>["Object",”Pass_time"]

Programming in SimTalk

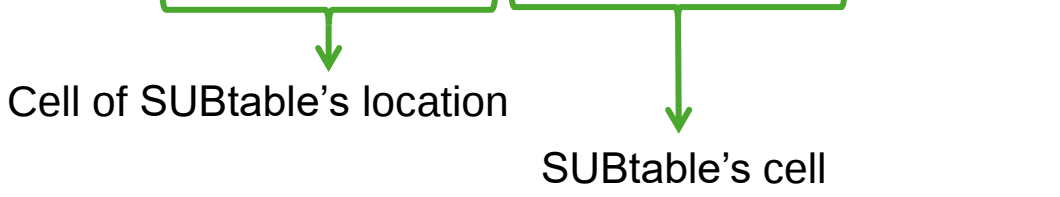
ŠKODA AUTO University

Table format via method

- Reading from SUBtable
  - print <table_name>[<column>,<row>][<column>,<row>]



- General input to the SUBtable
  - <table_name>[<column>,<row>][<column>,<row>] := <value>

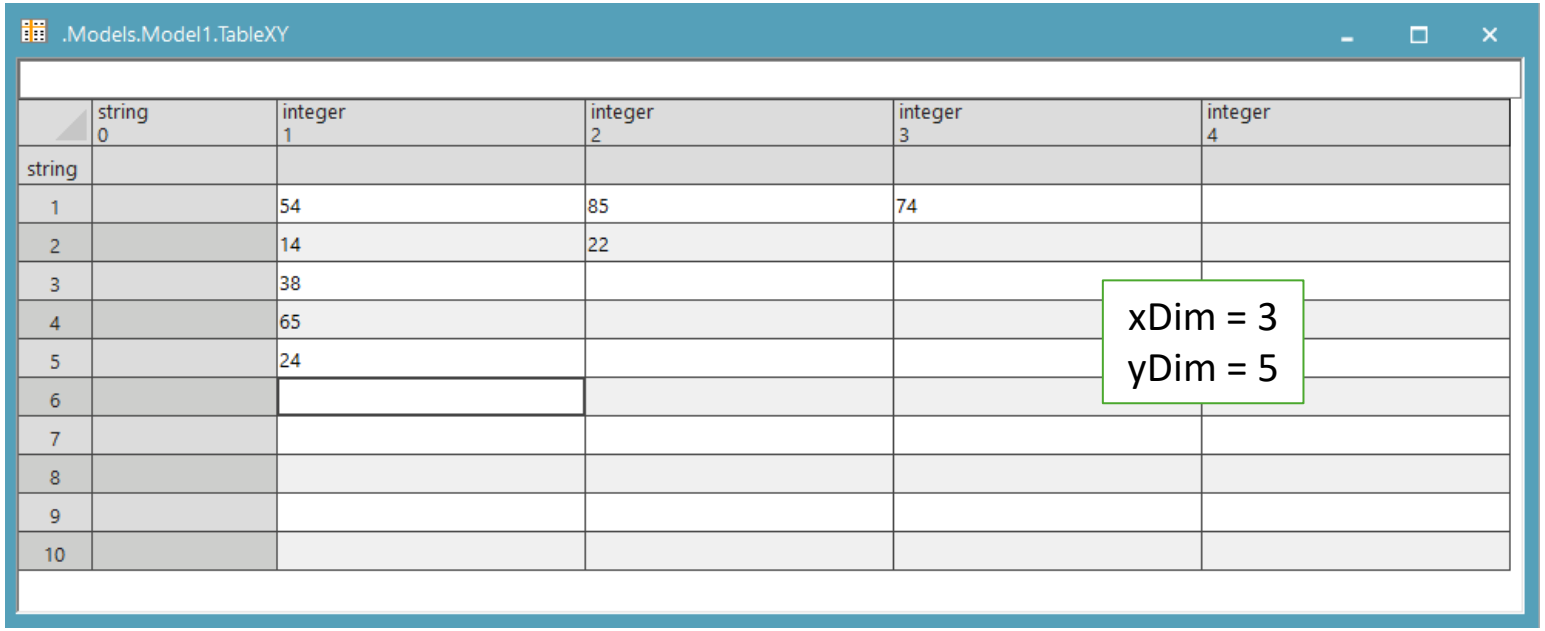


Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table

- xDim, yDim
  - It returns the number of the last column, row in the table, which contains a record. The number does not contain zero column and row.
  - Values are of data type integer.



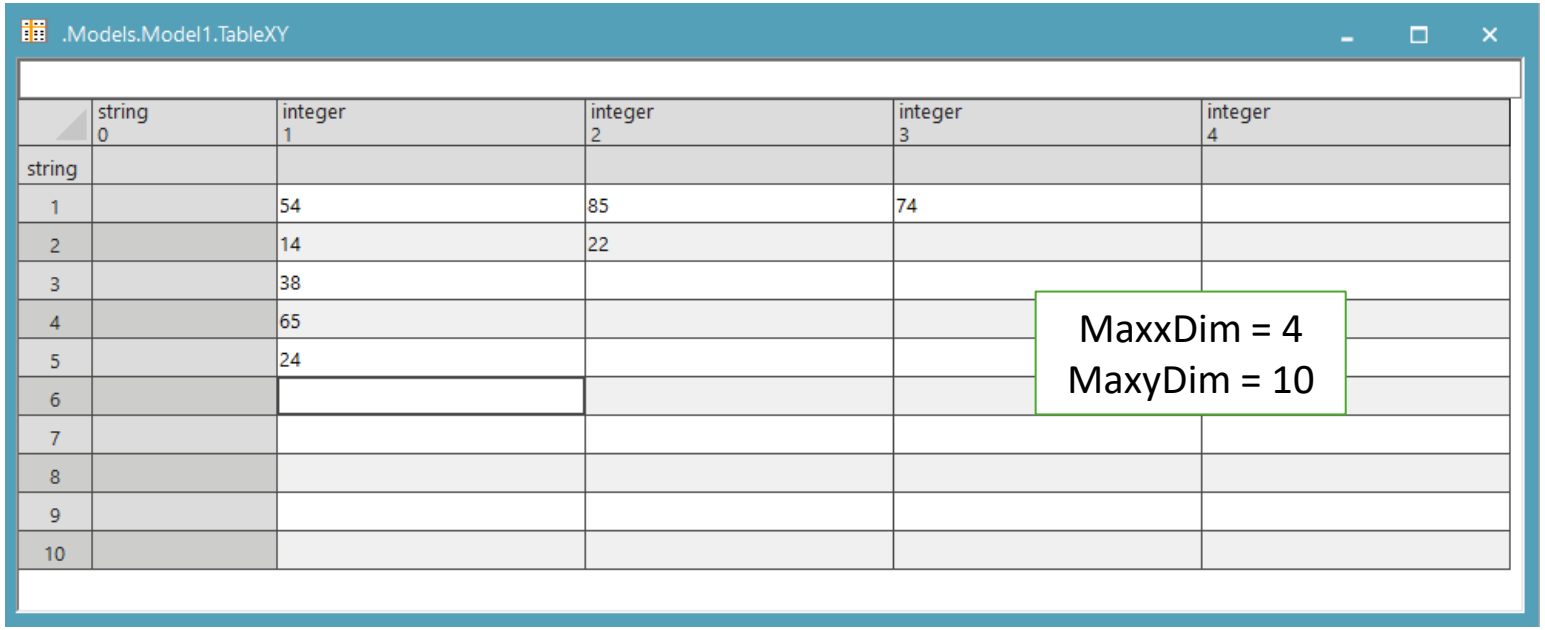
	string 0	integer 1	integer 2	integer 3	integer 4
string					
1		54	85	74	
2		14	22		
3		38			
4		65			
5		24			
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Programming in SimTalk

ŠKODA AUTO University

Table

- MaxxDim, MaxyDim
  - It returns the absolute number of columns, rows in the table. The number does not contain zero column and row.
  - Values are of data type integer.



	string 0	integer 1	integer 2	integer 3	integer 4
string					
1		54	85	74	
2		14	22		
3		38			
4		65			
5		24			
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					

Thank you for attention

Jan Fábry

Department of Production, Logistics and Quality Management

fabry@savs.cz www.janfabry.cz

www.savs.cz