Simulation in Computer Graphics Particle Motion 1

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Outline

- Introduction
- Particle motion
- Finite differences
- System of first-order ODEs
- Second-order ODE
- Performance
- Discussion

Goal

– Dynamic simulation of

- Rigid bodies
- Deformable objects
- Fluids



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Representation

- Subdivision of objects into small parts, i.e. particles
- Particles have properties
 - Mass m , volume V , density ρ
 - Position $oldsymbol{x}$, velocity $oldsymbol{v}$, force $oldsymbol{F}$
- Particles are of arbitrary shape

Fluid Particles



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Cloth Particles



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Deformable 3D Particles



Deformable 3D object



Approximate tetrahedral mesh

Particle Forces

- Result from
 - Distortions, e.g.
 volume or shape
 change
 - Gravity
 - Friction, viscosity
 - Contact





Velocity

Particle Motion

- Particles change position x with velocity v $\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}t}$
- Velocity governed by Newton's Second Law
 - Force at a particle equals the time rate of change of its momentum

$$\boldsymbol{F} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(m\boldsymbol{v}) = \frac{\mathrm{d}m}{\mathrm{d}t}\boldsymbol{v} + \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{v}}{\mathrm{d}t}m$$

– Two governing equations for two unknown functions x , v

$$oldsymbol{F}=mrac{\mathrm{d}oldsymbol{v}}{\mathrm{d}t}$$
 $oldsymbol{v}=rac{\mathrm{d}oldsymbol{x}}{\mathrm{d}t}$ Coupled system of first order ODEs

Can also be written as

$$F = m \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 x}{\mathrm{d}t^2}$$

Second order ODE

Particle-based Simulation

- Object subdivision
 into particles
 (spatial discretization)
- Force modeling
- Particle motion
 - Transport / advection



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Particle Quantities

- Mass $m \in \mathbb{R}$
- Position $\ oldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- Velocity $oldsymbol{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- Force $oldsymbol{F} \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- Acceleration $\boldsymbol{a} = rac{\boldsymbol{F}}{m} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

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 \boldsymbol{x}

 \underline{F}

Time Discretization

- Quantities are considered at discrete time points



– Particle simulations are concerned with the computation of unknown future particle quantities x^{t+h} , v^{t+h} from known current information x^t , v^t , a^t

Governing Equations

Newton's Second Law, motion equation

 $oldsymbol{a}^t = rac{\mathrm{d}oldsymbol{v}^t}{\mathrm{d}t} = rac{\mathrm{d}^2oldsymbol{x}^t}{\mathrm{d}t^2}$

- Ordinary differential equations ODEs
- Describe the behavior of $m{x}^t$ and $m{v}^t$ in terms of their derivatives with respect to time
- Numerical integration is employed to approximatively solve the ODE , i.e. to approximate the unknown functions $m{x}^t$ and $m{v}^t$

Governing Equations

Initial value problem of second order

$$rac{\mathrm{d}^2 \boldsymbol{x}^t}{\mathrm{d}t^2} = \boldsymbol{a}^t \quad \boldsymbol{x}^{t_0} = \boldsymbol{x}^{\mathrm{init}} \quad rac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{x}^{t_0}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \boldsymbol{v}^{\mathrm{init}}$$

- Second-order ODEs can be rewritten as a system of two coupled equations of first order
- Initial value problems of first order

$$egin{array}{ll} rac{\mathrm{d} oldsymbol{x}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = oldsymbol{v}^t & oldsymbol{x}^{t_0} = oldsymbol{x}^{\mathrm{init}} \ rac{\mathrm{d} oldsymbol{v}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = oldsymbol{a}^t & oldsymbol{v}^{t_0} = oldsymbol{v}^{\mathrm{init}} \end{array}$$

Initial Value Problem of First Order

- Functions \boldsymbol{x}^t and \boldsymbol{v}^t represent the particle motion
- Initial values $oldsymbol{x}^{t_0}$ and $oldsymbol{v}^{t_0}$ are given
- First-order differential equations are given $\frac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{x}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = \boldsymbol{v}^t \quad \frac{\mathrm{d} \boldsymbol{v}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = \boldsymbol{a}^t$
- How to estimate $oldsymbol{x}^{t_0+h}$ and $oldsymbol{v}^{t_0+h}$?



Particle Accelerations

- Depend on sets of positions and velocities
- E.g., damped spring $\boldsymbol{a}_1(\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_2, \boldsymbol{v}_1, \boldsymbol{v}_2)$



Damping Relative velocity parameter projected onto spring

Normalized direction



Particle Accelerations

- Are typically expensive to compute
 - E.g., sums over adjacent particles
- Might need additional effort
 - E.g., contact handling forces require collision detection

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Finite Differences

- Taylor-series approximation $x^{t+h} = x^t + \frac{dx^t}{dt}h + O(h^2)$ O(h²) - order of the truncation / discretization error $\frac{dx^t}{dt} = \frac{x^{t+h} - x^t}{h} + O(h)$ O(h²) - order of the truncation / discretization error O(h) - error order of, e.g., a scheme that employs such approximation
- Continuous ODEs are replaced with discrete finite-difference equations FDEs

FDE

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \boldsymbol{v}^{t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} - \boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{h} = \boldsymbol{v}^{t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{x}^{t} + h\boldsymbol{v}^{t}$$
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{v}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \boldsymbol{a}^{t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} - \boldsymbol{v}^{t}}{h} = \boldsymbol{a}^{t} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^{t} + h\boldsymbol{a}^{t}$$

ODE

The first approximate solution of our problem

Finite Differences

- Line fitting (assuming $\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \mathrm{const}$ near \boldsymbol{x}^{t}) $\boldsymbol{x}^{t} = \boldsymbol{b}t + \boldsymbol{c}$ $\Rightarrow \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \boldsymbol{b} \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{c} = \boldsymbol{x}^{t} - \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t}t$ $\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t}(t+h) + \boldsymbol{x}^{t} - \frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t}t$
- Resulting in $\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} - \boldsymbol{x}^{t}}{h} + O(h)$

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Explicit Euler

- Governing equations

$$rac{\mathrm{d} oldsymbol{x}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = oldsymbol{v}^t \quad rac{\mathrm{d} oldsymbol{v}^t}{\mathrm{d} t} = oldsymbol{a}^t$$

- Initialization $m{x}^{t_0}=m{x}^{ ext{init}}$, $m{v}^{t_0}=m{v}^{ ext{init}}$, $m{a}^{t_0}$, h
- Explicit Euler update $x^{t_0+h} = x^{t_0} + h \frac{dx^{t_0}}{dt} + O(h^2) = x^{t_0} + hv^{t_0} + O(h^2)$ $v^{t_0+h} = v^{t_0} + h \frac{dv^{t_0}}{dt} + O(h^2) = v^{t_0} + ha^{t_0} + O(h^2)$

Coupled Equations

- Position update depends on velocity
- Velocity update depends on position $x^{t_0+h} = x^{t_0} + hv^{t_0}$ $v^{t_0+h} = v^{t_0} + ha^{t_0}(x^{t_0}, v^{t_0})$ $x^{t_0+2h} = x^{t_0+h} + hv^{t_0+h}$

$$v^{t_0+2h} = v^{t_0+h} + ha^{t_0+h}(x^{t_0+h}, v^{t_0+h})$$

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Accuracy and Stability

- Discretization error is the difference between the solution of the ODE and the solution of the FDE
- The FDE is consistent, if the discretization error vanishes if the time step *h* approaches zero
- The FDE is stable, if previously introduced errors do not grow within a simulation step
- The FDE is convergent, if the solution of the FDE approaches the solution of the ODE

Accuracy and Stability

- Although the discretization error is diminished by smaller time steps in consistent schemes, the discretization error is introduced in each step of the FD scheme
- If previously introduced discretization errors are not amplified by the FD scheme, then it is stable
- Consistent and stable schemes are convergent

Stability

- If stability is influenced by the time step, the FD scheme is conditionally stable
- If the FD scheme is stable or unstable for arbitrary time steps, it is unconditionally stable or unstable
- ODE, FDE and the parameters influence the stability of a system
- Schemes with improved stability work with larger time steps ⇒ reduced overall computation time

Time Step

 Larger time steps result in less simulation steps and speed-up the overall computation time of a simulation



- Different FD schemes allow for different time steps
 - E.g. due to different error orders
 - Computing complexity also differs

Goal

 Stable scheme with maximized ratio between time step and computing complexity per simulation step

Second-Order Runge Kutta - Midpoint Method

Euler



Midpoint



- One derivative computation ①
- Discretization error $O(h^2)$

- Two derivative computations ① ②
- Requires intermediate positions and velocities
- Discretization error $O(h^3)$

Midpoint Implementation - Spring

- Acceleration at time t: $\boldsymbol{a}_1^t(\boldsymbol{x}_1^t, \boldsymbol{x}_2^t, \boldsymbol{v}_1^t, \boldsymbol{v}_2^t)$
- Intermediate position and velocity at time $t + \frac{h}{2}$: $x_1^* = x_1^t + \frac{h}{2}v_1^t$ $v_1^* = v_1^t + \frac{h}{2}a_1^t$ $x_2^* = \dots$ $v_2^* = \dots$
- Intermediate acceleration at time $t + \frac{h}{2}$ using intermediate positions and velocities: $a_1^*(x_1^*, x_2^*, v_1^*, v_2^*)$
- Final position and velocity at time t + h $x_1^{t+h} = x_1^t + hv_1^*$ $v_1^{t+h} = v_1^t + ha_1^*$

 $oldsymbol{v}_1$

 $oldsymbol{a}_1$

 x_1

Midpoint Implementation



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Second-Order Runge Kutta - Heun



Second-Order Runge Kutta - Ralston


Fourth-Order Runge Kutta - Classic



 $-x^t, v^t$ $- \boldsymbol{a}^t(\boldsymbol{x}^t, \boldsymbol{v}^t)$ 1) $egin{aligned} &- oldsymbol{x}^* = oldsymbol{x}^t + rac{h}{2}oldsymbol{v}^t & oldsymbol{v}^* = oldsymbol{v}^t + rac{h}{2}oldsymbol{a}^t \end{aligned}$ $- a^*(x^*,v^*)$ (2) $egin{array}{lll} - x^{**} = x^t + rac{h}{2} v^* & v^{**} = v^t + rac{h}{2} a^* \end{array}$ $-a^{**}(x^{**},v^{**})$ (3) $- x^{***} = x^t + hv^{**} v^{***} = v^t + ha^{**}$ $-a^{***}(x^{***},v^{***})$ (4) $- x^{t+h} = x^t + h \frac{v^t + 2v^* + 2v^{**} + v^{***}}{6}$ $- v^{t+h} = v^t + h \frac{a^t + 2a^* + 2a^{**} + a^{***}}{6}$ (5)

- Four derivative computations
- Discretization error $O(h^5)$

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Fourth-Order Runge Kutta – 3/8 Rule







Wikipedia: Runge-Kutta-Verfahren University of Freiburg – Computer Science Department – 39 UNI FREIBURG

Performance

- Computation dominated by derivatives, actually only by the accelerations $a^t, a^*, a^{**}, a^{***}$
- RK4 is four times as expensive as Euler
- RK2 is two times as expensive as Euler
- RK4 is more accurate than RK2 which is more accurate than Euler. Error: ${\cal O}(h^5) < {\cal O}(h^3) < {\cal O}(h^2)$
- RK4 allows larger time steps than RK2 which allows larger times steps than Euler

Performance

- If, e.g., RK4 runs with a time step four times larger than Euler, the overall computation time is the same
 - Comparison: RK4 : Euler
 - Time per simulation step: 4 : 1
 - Simulation steps: 1 : 4
 - Overall computation time: 1:1

Accelerations

- $a^t, a^*, a^{**}, a^{***}$ can be very expensive to compute
- E.g., if the accelerations consider contact forces, collision detection has to be performed four times for different sets of positions $x^t, x^*, x^{**}, x^{***}$

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Explicit Adams-Bashforth

Current and previous accelerations (multistep)

- Two acceleration computations per step
- Previous accelerations have to be stored

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}^* &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{2}(3\mathbf{a}^t - \mathbf{a}^{t-h}) + O(h^3) \\ \mathbf{v}^* &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{12}(23\mathbf{a}^t - 16\mathbf{a}^{t-h} + 5\mathbf{a}^{t-2h}) + O(h^4) \\ \mathbf{v}^* &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{24}(55\mathbf{a}^t - 59\mathbf{a}^{t-h} + 37\mathbf{a}^{t-2h} - 9\mathbf{a}^{t-3h}) + O(h^5) \\ \mathbf{v}^* &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{720}(1901\mathbf{a}^t - 2774\mathbf{a}^{t-h} + 2616\mathbf{a}^{t-2h} - 1274\mathbf{a}^{t-3h} + 251\mathbf{a}^{t-4h}) + O(h^6) \\ \mathbf{x}^* &= \mathbf{x}^t + \frac{h}{2}(3\mathbf{v}^t - \mathbf{v}^{t-h}) + O(h^3) \end{aligned}$$

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Implicit Adams-Moulton

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Next, current and previous accelerations (multistep)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}^{t+h} &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{2}(\mathbf{a}^* + \mathbf{a}^t) + O(h^3) \\ \mathbf{v}^{t+h} &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{12}(5\mathbf{a}^* + 8\mathbf{a}^t - \mathbf{a}^{t-h}) + O(h^4) \\ \mathbf{v}^{t+h} &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{24}(9\mathbf{a}^* + 19\mathbf{a}^t - 5\mathbf{a}^{t-h} + \mathbf{a}^{t-2h}) + O(h^5) \\ \mathbf{v}^{t+h} &= \mathbf{v}^t + \frac{h}{720}(251\mathbf{a}^* + 646\mathbf{a}^t - 264\mathbf{a}^{t-h} + 106\mathbf{a}^{t-2h} - 19\mathbf{a}^{t-3h}) + O(h^6) \\ \mathbf{x}^{t+h} &= \mathbf{x}^t + \frac{h}{2}(\mathbf{v}^* + \mathbf{v}^t) + O(h^3) \end{aligned}$$

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A Predictor-Corrector Example

– Initialization

$$x^{t}, v^{t}, a^{t}$$
 $x^{t-h} = x - hv^{t}, v^{t-h} = v - ha^{t}, a^{t-h}$

Prediction

$$x^* = x^t + \frac{h}{2}(3v^t - v^{t-h})$$
 $v^* = v^t + \frac{h}{2}(3a^t - a^{t-h})$ a^*

Accelerations at predicted positions using predicted velocities

Correction

$$x^{t+h} = x^t + \frac{h}{2}(v^* + v^t)$$
 $v^{t+h} = v^t + \frac{h}{2}(a^* + a^t)$ a^{t+h}

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Discussion

- Two accelerations
- Improved accuracy, larger time steps
 - Not necessarily true for discontinuous functions,
 e.g., in case of contact handling
- Initialization of previous steps
- Iterative correction steps possible

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Explicit vs. Implicit Schemes

- Explicit Euler $oldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{x}^t + holdsymbol{v}^t$ $oldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{v}^t + holdsymbol{a}^t$
- One unknown per equation
- Direct computation of unknowns
- Non-linear equations do not affect the approach
- Non-analytical, procedural forces can be handled

- Implicit Euler $oldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{x}^t + holdsymbol{v}^{t+h}$ $oldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{v}^t + holdsymbol{a}^{t+h}$
- System of algebraic equations
- Simultaneous computation of unknowns
- Solution of a linear system
- Linearization of non-linear equations

Implicit Schemes

- Challenge
 - Solving a linear system
 - Implementation
- Benefit
 - Largely improved stability
- Issue
 - Reduced accuracy
 - Discretization error plus linearization error plus approximate solution of a linear system

Implicit Schemes – Example Overview

- Linearization of accelerations $v^{t+h} = v^t + ha^{t+h}(x^{t+h})$ Here, accelerations depend only on positions. $v^{t+h} = v^t + ha^{t+h}(x^t + hv^{t+h})$ $v^{t+h} = v^t + h(a^{t+h}(x^t + hv^{t+h}))$ $v^{t+h} = v^t + h(a^t(x^t) + J^thv^{t+h})$ J is a 3x3 Jacobi matrix. $h \cdot v$ is a small displacement. $a(x) + J \cdot h \cdot v$ is an approximation of the acceleration at position $x + h \cdot v$.
- Linear system with unknown velocities $(I h^2 J^t) v^{t+h} = v^t + h a^t$
- Position update $x^{t+h} = x^t + hv^{t+h}$

Linearization

$$- f_{x+\Delta x} = f_x + \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x} \Delta x + O((\Delta x)^2)$$
$$- f_{x+\Delta x} = f_x + \nabla f_x \cdot \Delta x + O(\|\Delta x\|^2)$$
$$\nabla f_x = \left(\frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x_1}, \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x_2}, \dots, \frac{\partial f_x}{\partial x_n}\right)^{\mathrm{T}} \text{ Gradient}$$

f: 1D field of scalar values

f: 3D field of scalar values

 $- a_{x+\Delta x} = a_x + J_x \Delta x + O(\|\Delta x\|^2)$

a: 3D field of 3D values

$$\boldsymbol{J_x} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial a_{x_x}}{\partial x_x} & \frac{\partial a_{x_x}}{\partial x_y} & \frac{\partial a_{x_x}}{\partial x_z} \\ \frac{\partial a_{x_y}}{\partial x_x} & \frac{\partial a_{x_y}}{\partial x_y} & \frac{\partial a_{x_y}}{\partial x_z} \\ \frac{\partial a_{x_z}}{\partial x_x} & \frac{\partial a_{x_z}}{\partial x_y} & \frac{\partial a_{x_z}}{\partial x_z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{Jacobi matrix} \quad \boldsymbol{Jacobi matrix}$$

Jacobi Matrix - Application



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Linearization

– Approximation of the acceleration at position x^{t+h} using the acceleration at position x^t , the Jacobi matrix J^t of the acceleration at position x^t and the small displacement $\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} - \boldsymbol{x}^t = h \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}$: $\boldsymbol{a}^{t+h}(\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h}) = \boldsymbol{a}^{t+h}(\boldsymbol{x}^t + h\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}) \approx \boldsymbol{a}^t(\boldsymbol{x}^t) + \boldsymbol{J}^t h \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}$ - Equation $v^{t+h} = v^t + ha^{t+h}(x^{t+h})$ with unknown velocities and positions can be rewritten with unknown velocities only: $(\boldsymbol{I} - h^2 \boldsymbol{J}^t) \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^t + h \boldsymbol{a}^t$

Particle System

- Set of particles with, e.g., interconnecting springs
- Force at a particle depends on particle and its neighbors
- E.g. $\boldsymbol{a}_{i}^{t} = \frac{1}{m_{i}} \sum_{j} k_{ij} \frac{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}| L_{ij}}{L_{ij}} \frac{\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|}$
 - Position \pmb{x}_i^t , acc. \pmb{a}_i^t and mass m_i of particle i at time t
 - Rest distance L_{ij} and stiffness k_{ij} between particles i and j



Notation



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Linear System – Implicit Euler

– Linear system for n particles

$$-(\boldsymbol{I}_{3n\times 3n}-h^2\boldsymbol{J}^t)\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}=\boldsymbol{v}^t+h\boldsymbol{a}^t$$

– Jacobian

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$$oldsymbol{J}^t \in \mathbb{R}^{3n imes 3n}$$

Spatial derivatives of all accelerations with respect to all positions

Jacobian - Example

- E.g.,
$$\boldsymbol{a}_{i}^{t} = \frac{1}{m_{i}} \frac{k_{ij}}{L_{ij}} (|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}| - L_{ij}) \frac{\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|} = \frac{1}{m_{i}} \frac{k_{ij}}{L_{ij}} \left(\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t} - L_{ij} \frac{\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|} \right)$$

depends on two positions \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t} and \boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t}

$$\boldsymbol{J}_{i,i}^{t} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{a}_{i}^{t}}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial a_{i,x}}{\partial x_{i,x}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,x}}{\partial x_{i,y}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,x}}{\partial x_{i,z}} \\ \frac{\partial a_{i,y}}{\partial x_{i,x}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,y}}{\partial x_{i,y}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,y}}{\partial x_{i,z}} \\ \frac{\partial a_{i,z}}{\partial x_{i,x}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,z}}{\partial x_{i,y}} & \frac{\partial a_{i,z}}{\partial x_{i,z}} \end{pmatrix}$$

 $oldsymbol{J}_{i,j}^t = -rac{m_i}{m_j}oldsymbol{J}_{i,i}^t$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}} \frac{1}{m_{i}} \frac{k_{ij}}{L_{ij}} \left(\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t} - L_{ij} \frac{\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{m_{i}} \frac{k_{ij}}{L_{ij}} \left(-\boldsymbol{I} + \frac{L_{ij}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|} \left(\boldsymbol{I} - \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}|^{2}} (\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t}) (\boldsymbol{x}_{j}^{t} - \boldsymbol{x}_{i}^{t})^{\mathrm{T}} \right) \right)$$

Mueller et al., Real-time Physics. SIGGRAPH 2008.

Jacobian

- $J^t \in \mathbb{R}^{3n \times 3n}$ is built from 3x3 matrices $J^t_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}$
- If position x_j^t influences acceleration a_i^t , then $J_{i,j}^t
 eq \mathbf{0}$
- Otherwise, $oldsymbol{J}_{i,j}^t = oldsymbol{0}$



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Solver

$$-\underbrace{(\boldsymbol{I}_{3n\times 3n}-h^2\boldsymbol{J}^t)}_{\boldsymbol{A}}\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}=\underbrace{\boldsymbol{v}^t+h\boldsymbol{a}^t}_{\boldsymbol{s}}$$

- Iterative. Start with a guess, e.g. $v^0 = v^t$
- Iterative updates $\, oldsymbol{v}^0 o oldsymbol{v}^1 o \ldots o oldsymbol{v}^l \,$
- Result $v^{t+h} = v^l$

Here, superscript indicates the iteration.

Solver – Conjugate Gradient

$$l = 0$$

 $d^{l} = r^{l} = s - Av^{l}$
 $\alpha^{l} = \frac{r^{l} \cdot r^{l}}{d^{l} \cdot (Ad^{l})}$
 $v^{l+1} = v^{l} + \alpha^{l} d^{l}$
 $r^{l+1} = r^{l} - \alpha^{l} A d^{l}$
 $d^{l+1} = r^{l+1} + \frac{r^{l+1} \cdot r^{l+1}}{r^{l} \cdot r^{l}} d^{l}$
 $l = l + 1$

Scaling factor for the solution update.

Update of the solution with a scaled direction.

Residual. Exit loop, when sufficiently small.

Direction for the solution update.

Iteration count.

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Solver – Conjugate Gradient

- Works (converges) for symmetric, positive-definite matrices
- Exact solution of an $n \times n$ system in n steps
- Frequently used for deformable objects
- Typically used with a fixed iteration count, e.g. 3-5

Solver - Jacobi

$$- v^{l+1} = v^l + \omega D^{-1} (s - Av^l)$$

- $oldsymbol{D}$ diagonal elements of $oldsymbol{A}$
- ω determines convergence and convergence rate
- $-~0 \leq \omega \leq 2$, in practical settings typically $~\omega = 0.5$
- Per-component update

$$v_i^{l+1} = (1-\omega)v_i^l + \frac{\omega}{A_{ii}}(s_i - \sum_{j\neq i} A_{ij}v_j^l)$$

= $(1-\omega)v_i^l + \frac{\omega}{A_{ii}}(s_i - (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}^l)_i + A_{ii}v_i^l)$
= $v_i^l + \frac{\omega}{A_{ii}}(s_i - (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}^l)_i)$

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Solver - Implementation

- $A = I_{3n \times 3n} h^2 J^t$ is not explicitly built or stored
- $s = v^t + ha^t$ is not explicitly built or stored
- Instead
 - Per-particle information is stored at particles, e.g. $oldsymbol{s}_i$
 - Per-element information is stored at elements, e.g. $J_{i,i}^t$ for an elastic spring between i and j, $J_{i,j}^t = J_{j,i}^t = -\frac{m_i}{m_j}J_{i,i}^t$ and $J_{j,j}^t = \frac{m_i}{m_j}J_{i,i}^t$ can be reconstructed
 - Matrix-free implementation of solver steps

Solver - Implementation

- Av^l is computed and stored per particle



Solver - Implementation

- Av^l is computed by iterating over elements
- E.g., spring connects particles j and k

For each particle:

 $(\boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{v}^l)_i = \boldsymbol{v}_i^l$

For each spring:





Solver - Discussion

- Jacobi vs. Conjugate Gradient CG:
 - CG converges faster
 - Jacobi is good-natured, e.g. in case of clamping intermediate solutions to implement constraints
- Implementation, e.g., in a particle-spring model
 - Matrix-free
 - All solver information is stored at particles and springs
 - All solver steps are realized by iterating over particles and springs

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Implicit Schemes – Summary

– Implicit Euler

$$\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^t + h\boldsymbol{a}^{t+h}(\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h})$$

- Linearization

$$\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^t + h\left(\boldsymbol{a}^t(\boldsymbol{x}^t) + \boldsymbol{J}^t h \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h}\right)$$

- Solve a linear system for velocities $(T + t^2, T^2) = t + b$

$$(\boldsymbol{I} - h^2 \boldsymbol{J}^t) \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^t + h \boldsymbol{a}^t$$

– Update positions according to implicit Euler $m{x}^{t+h} = m{x}^t + h m{v}^{t+h}$

Semi-implicit Euler (Euler-Cromer)

- Explicit Euler for the velocity update $v^{t+h} = v^t + ha^t$
- Implicit Euler for the position update $oldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{x}^t + holdsymbol{v}^{t+h}$
- No linear system

Simulation in Computer Graphics Particle Motion 3

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Initial Value Problem of Second Order

- Function $oldsymbol{x}^t$ represents the particle motion
- Second-order differential equation is given $\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 \pmb{x}^t}{\mathrm{d}t^2} = \pmb{a}^t$
- Initial values $oldsymbol{x}^{t_0}$ and $oldsymbol{v}^{t_0}$ are given
- How to estimate x^{t_0+h} ?



Motivation

- Schemes for coupled first-order ODEs update \boldsymbol{x} and \boldsymbol{v} simultaneously
- Schemes for second-order ODEs update $oldsymbol{x}$, but not necessarily $oldsymbol{v}$

Verlet

- Taylor approximations of
$$x^{t+h}$$
 and x^{t-h}
 $x^{t+h} = x^t + hv^t + \frac{h^2}{2}a^t + \frac{h^3}{6}\frac{\mathrm{d}^3x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^3} + O(h^4)$
 $x^{t-h} = x^t - hv^t + \frac{h^2}{2}a^t - \frac{h^3}{6}\frac{\mathrm{d}^3x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^3} + O(h^4)$

Adding both approximations

$$x^{t+h} = 2x^t - x^{t-h} + h^2 a^t + O(h^4)$$

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{x}^t + h\frac{\boldsymbol{x}^t - \boldsymbol{x}^{t-h}}{h} + h^2 \boldsymbol{a}^t + O(h^4)$$

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Verlet - Discussion

- One acceleration computation per step
 - Same computation cost as explicit Euler
- Discretization error of order 4
 - More accurate than explicit Euler
- Larger time step and improved performance compared to explicit Euler

Verlet - Discussion

- Velocity representation not necessarily required
- But:
 - Velocity typically used for collision handling and damping
 E.g. $v^{t+h} = \frac{x^{t+h} x^t}{h} + O(h)$

Leap-Frog

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{x}^t + h \boldsymbol{v}^{t+\frac{h}{2}}$$

$$v^{t+\frac{3h}{2}} = v^{t+\frac{h}{2}} + ha^{t+h}$$

- Implementation, e.g.

$$v^{t+\frac{h}{2}} = \frac{x^{t+h}-x^t}{h} \quad v^{t-\frac{h}{2}} = \frac{x^t-x^{t-h}}{h}$$

 $\Rightarrow (v^{t+\frac{h}{2}} - v^{t-\frac{h}{2}})h = x^{t+h} - x^t - x^t + x^{t-h}$
 $\Rightarrow a^t h^2 = x^{t+h} - x^t - x^t + x^{t-h}$
 $\Rightarrow x^{t+h} = 2x^t - x^{t-h} + a^t h^2$ Verlet

Velocity Verlet

Same accuracy for position and velocity

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{x}^t + h\boldsymbol{v}^t + \frac{h^2}{2}\boldsymbol{a}^t + O(h^3)$$
$$\boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{v}^t + \frac{h}{2}\left(\boldsymbol{a}^t + \boldsymbol{a}^{t+h}\right) + O(h^3)$$

- One acceleration computation per step

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$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{x}^t + h\boldsymbol{v}^t + h^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\boldsymbol{a}^t - \frac{1}{6}\boldsymbol{a}^{t-h}\right) + O(h^4) \\ \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{v}^t + h \left(\frac{5}{12}\boldsymbol{a}^{t+h} + \frac{2}{3}\boldsymbol{a}^t - \frac{1}{12}\boldsymbol{a}^{t-h}\right) + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

- One acceleration computation per step
- Improved accuracy compared to Velocity Verlet
- Possibly larger time step

Gear

- Taylor approximation $x^{t+h} = x^t + \frac{\mathrm{d}x^t}{\mathrm{d}t}\frac{h}{1!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^2x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^2}\frac{h^2}{2!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^3x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^3}\frac{h^3}{3!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^4x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^4}\frac{h^4}{4!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^5x^t}{\mathrm{d}t^5}\frac{h^5}{5!} + \dots$ - Notation $r_k^t = \frac{\mathrm{d}x^k}{\mathrm{d}t^k}\frac{h^k}{k!}$ $r_0^{t+h} = r_0^t + r_1^t + r_2^t + r_3^t + r_4^t + r_5^t + \dots$

Gear

$$- x^{t+h} = x^{t} + \frac{\mathrm{d}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} \frac{h}{1!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{2}} \frac{h^{2}}{2!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{3}} \frac{h^{3}}{3!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^{4}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{4}} \frac{h^{4}}{4!} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^{5}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{5}} \frac{h^{5}}{5!} + \dots$$

$$- r_{0}^{t+h} = r_{0}^{t} + r_{1}^{t} + r_{2}^{t} + r_{3}^{t} + r_{4}^{t} + r_{5}^{t} + \dots$$

$$- h\frac{\mathrm{d}x^{t+h}}{\mathrm{d}t} = h\frac{\mathrm{d}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t} + h\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{2}} \frac{h}{1!} + h\frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{3}} \frac{h^{2}}{2!} + h\frac{\mathrm{d}^{4}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{4}} \frac{h^{3}}{3!} + h\frac{\mathrm{d}^{5}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{5}} \frac{h^{4}}{4!} + \dots$$

$$- r_{1}^{t+h} = r_{1}^{t} + 2r_{2}^{t} + 3r_{3}^{t} + 4r_{4}^{t} + 5r_{5}^{t} + \dots$$

$$- \frac{h^{2}}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}x^{t+h}}{\mathrm{d}t^{2}} = \frac{h^{2}}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^{2}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{2}} + \frac{h^{2}}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{3}} \frac{h}{1!} + \frac{h^{2}}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^{4}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{4}} \frac{h^{2}}{2!} + \frac{h^{2}}{2}\frac{\mathrm{d}^{5}x^{t}}{\mathrm{d}t^{5}} \frac{h^{3}}{3!} + \dots$$

$$- r_{2}^{t+h} = r_{2}^{t} + 3r_{3}^{t} + 6r_{4}^{t} + 10r_{5}^{t} + \dots$$

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Gear - Prediction

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{x}^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_0^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_0^t + \boldsymbol{r}_1^t + \boldsymbol{r}_2^t + \boldsymbol{r}_3^t + \boldsymbol{r}_4^t + \boldsymbol{r}_5^t \\ h \boldsymbol{v}^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_1^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_1^t + 2\boldsymbol{r}_2^t + 3\boldsymbol{r}_3^t + 4\boldsymbol{r}_4^t + 5\boldsymbol{r}_5^t \\ \frac{h^2}{2}\boldsymbol{a}^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_2^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_2^t + 3\boldsymbol{r}_3^t + 6\boldsymbol{r}_4^t + 10\boldsymbol{r}_5^t \\ \boldsymbol{r}_3^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_3^t + 4\boldsymbol{r}_4^t + 10\boldsymbol{r}_5^t \\ \boldsymbol{r}_4^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_4^t + 5\boldsymbol{r}_5^t \\ \boldsymbol{r}_5^{t+h} &= \boldsymbol{r}_5^t \end{aligned}$$

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Gear - Correction

- Error / inconsistency between the predicted acceleration $\frac{2}{h^2}r_2^{t+h}$ at time t + h and the acceleration $a^{t+h}(r_0^{t+h}, \frac{1}{h}r_1^{t+h})$ at predicted positions r_0^{t+h} and velocities $\frac{1}{h}r_1^{t+h}$:

$$oldsymbol{\epsilon}^{t+h} = oldsymbol{r}_2^{t+h} - rac{h^2}{2}oldsymbol{a}^{t+h}$$

- Correction: $r_k^{t+h} = r_k^{t+h} - c_k \epsilon^{t+h}$ with coefficients $c_0 = \frac{3}{20}, c_1 = \frac{251}{360}, c_2 = 1, c_3 = \frac{11}{18}, c_4 = \frac{1}{6}, c_5 = \frac{1}{60}$

Gear - Implementation

- Initialization: $m{r}_3^{t_0} = m{r}_4^{t_0} = m{r}_5^{t_0} = 0$ $oldsymbol{r}_0^{t+h} = oldsymbol{r}_0^t + \ldots + oldsymbol{r}_5^t$ - Prediction: $m{r}_{m{k}}^{t+h}=\dots$ $\epsilon^{t+h} = r_2^{t+h} - rac{h^2}{2}a^{t+h}$ – Error: $\boldsymbol{r}_{k}^{t+h} = \boldsymbol{r}_{k}^{t+h} - c_{k}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{t+h}$

- Correction:

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Comparison

 Deformable cube on a plane (4k particles, 17k tetrahedra, 22k edges), spring forces, volume preservation, gravity, contact

Scheme	Error order	Time step [ms]	Computation time [ms]	Ratio
Explicit Euler	1	0.5	9.5	0.05
RK 2	2	3.8	18.9	0.20
Implicit Euler	1	49.0	172.0	0.28
RK 4	4	17.0	50.0	0.34
Verlet	3	11.5	9.5	1.21



Time Step

- Larger time steps are generally advantageous for the performance
- However, the time step size is limited: $h \leq \frac{d}{|v|}$
- A particle should not move farther than its size in one simulation step, e.g. its diameter d: $h|v| \le d$



- Critical states that can be avoided by a time step limit

- Inverted elements
- Unresolvable contacts



Inverted elements



State at *t*: No contact



State at *t+h*: Contact

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Explicit Schemes

- Error order determines accuracy
- Improved accuracy may correspond to an improved stability for larger time steps
- Improved accuracy may correspond to higher costs
- Time steps are comparatively small
- Stability is generally an issue

Implicit Schemes

- Generally stable and robust
- Handle larger time steps
- Less accurate (scheme, linearization, solver)
 - Typically artificial damping / viscosity
- Decreasing accuracy for larger time steps
 - Same as for explicit schemes, but explicit schemes get unstable, while implicit schemes stay stable