

Computer Graphics & Scientific Visualization

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Physically based animation

Why physically-based animation

1- Key Framing

- + *Full control*
- *Dynamic hard to control, tedious details*

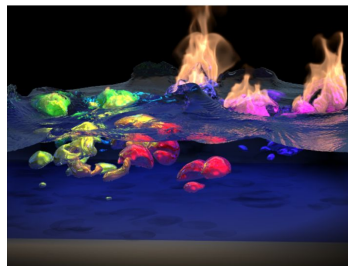
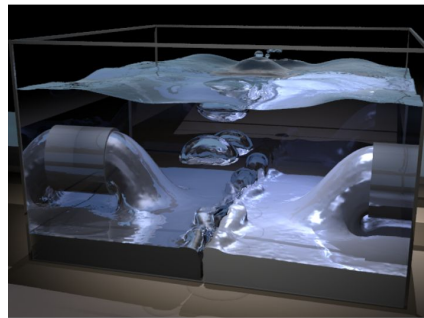
2- Physically-based animation

- + *Dynamic handling*

Typically (fluids, gaz, cloth, hairs, ...)

Note: Predictive simulation != CG simulation

- Model, solver accuracy != Speed, robustness, plausibility



General approach of physically-based simulation

1- Setup Initial Condition (position, speed, forces) $S(t = 0) = S_0$

2- Describes constitutive relations
-> Set of differential equations

$$\mathcal{F} \left(t, S, \frac{\partial^n S}{\partial t^n}, \frac{\partial^m S}{\partial x^m} \right) = 0$$

3- Numerically solves equations incrementing through time

$$S(t + \Delta t) = S(t) + \Delta t \dots$$

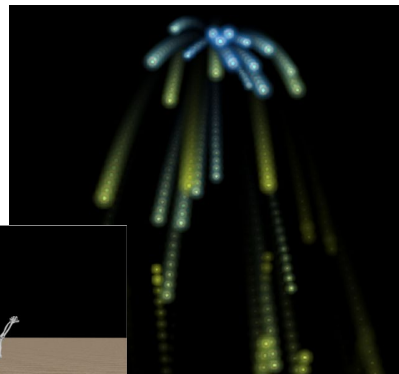
Seminal article: [D. Terzopoulos, *Deformable Models*, 88]



Physically-based simulation models

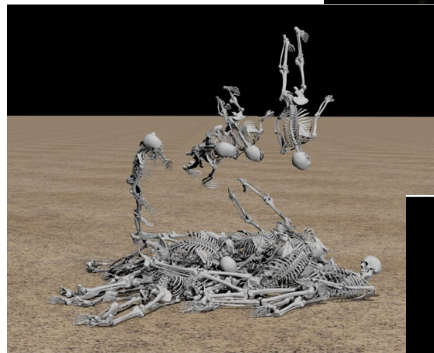
Particle based

- + Simple
- Accuracy



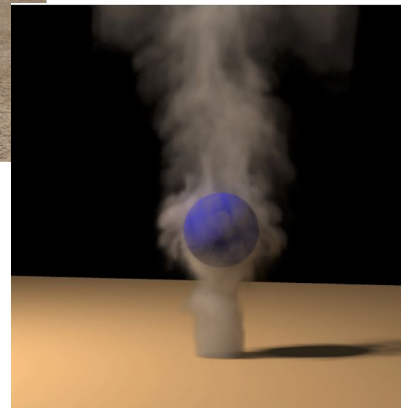
Rigid bodies

- + Inertia, orientation
- Collision



Continuum mechanics

- + Accurate
- Computationally intensive, complex



Particle based

Particles-based methods

Particle fully defined by its position p

Fundamental equation of dynamics

$$m p''(t) = F(t) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m v'(t) = F(t) \\ p'(t) = v(t) \end{array} \right. \quad \text{ODE in } t$$

ex. $F = g$



[LucasFilm, Star Trek II]



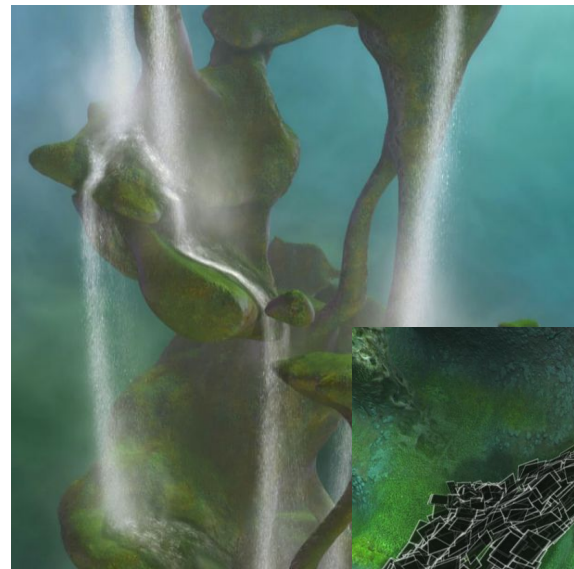
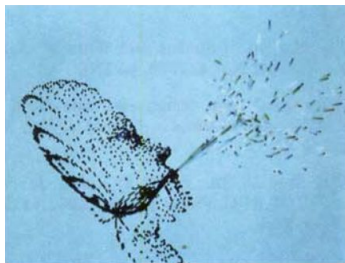
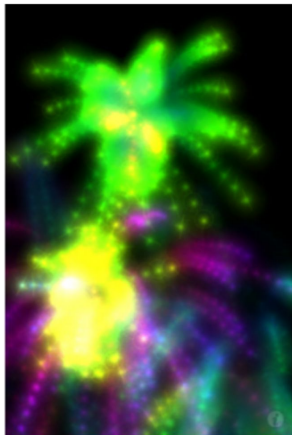
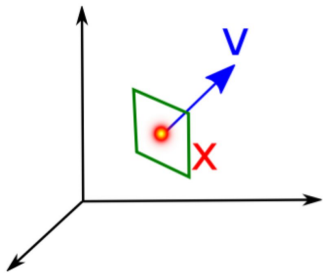
[Reeves, TOG83]

$$p(t) = 1/2 g t^2 + v_0 t + p_0$$

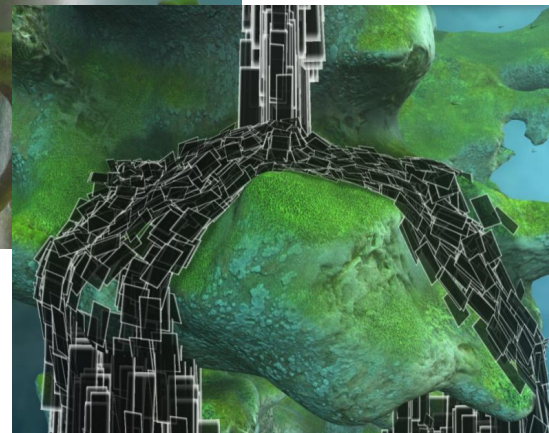
Very special case of
analytical solution

Particles: Sprites

Emit, suppress particles
Transparent texture
Fall under gravity, follow field



NVIDIA



[Karl Sims, Particle animation and rendering using data parallel computation, SIGGRAPH90]

Particles: Hard sphere

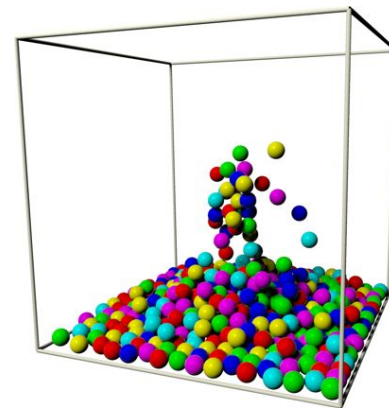
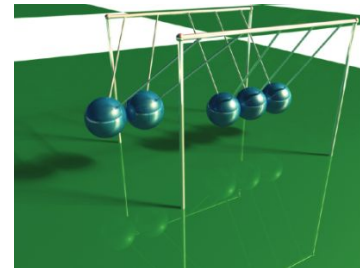
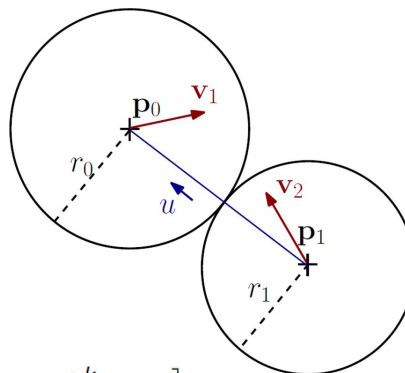
Sphere of mass m , center x , radius r

Collision if $\|x_1 - x_2\| < r_1 + r_2$

Speed after collision

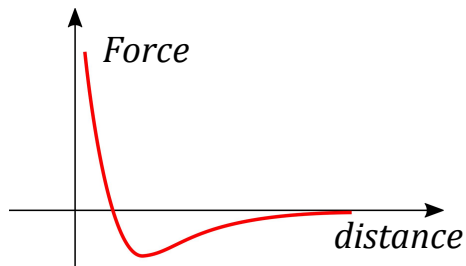
$$\begin{cases} v_1^{k+1} = v_1^k + \frac{1}{m_1+m_2} [m_2 \langle v_2^k, u \rangle - \frac{1}{2}(m_1+3m_2) \langle v_1^k, u \rangle] u \\ v_2^{k+1} = v_2^k + \frac{1}{m_1+m_2} [m_1 \langle v_1^k, u \rangle - \frac{1}{2}(m_2+3m_1) \langle v_2^k, u \rangle] u \\ u = x_1 - x_0 \end{cases}$$

+ *Project back the sphere to the collision surface*

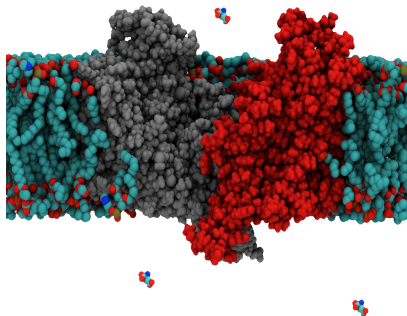


Particles: Interaction and force fields

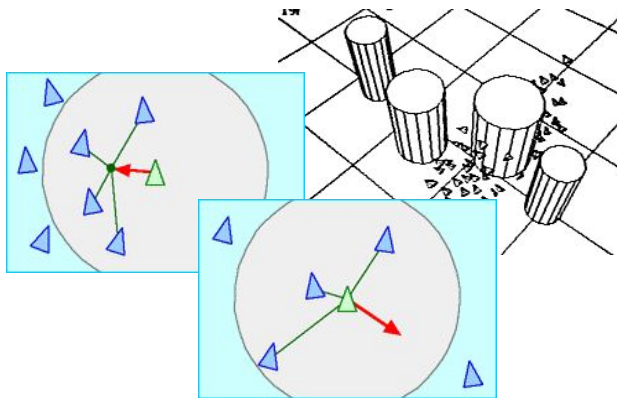
Molecular dynamic
inspired



ex. Lennard-Jones



Boids model
[Reynolds, SIGGRAPH 87]

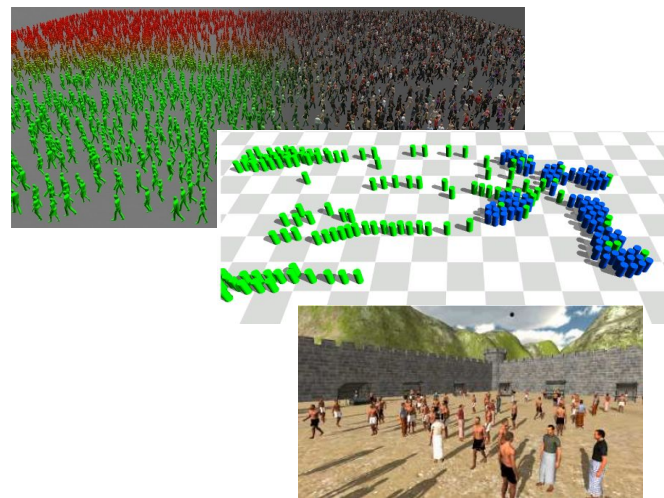


Steering forces:

- Attraction/repulsion
 - Following, alignment, ...
- > *emerging behaviors*

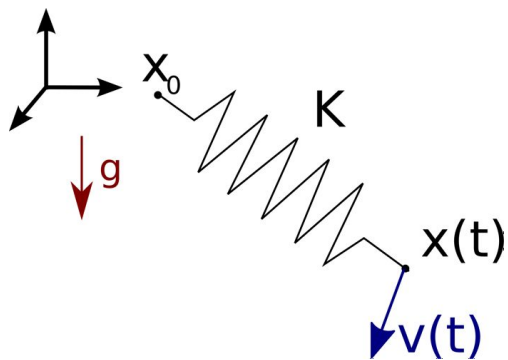
Crowd models
[Pettre et al, 15]

OpenSteer

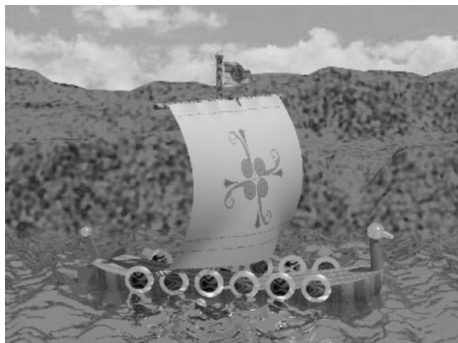
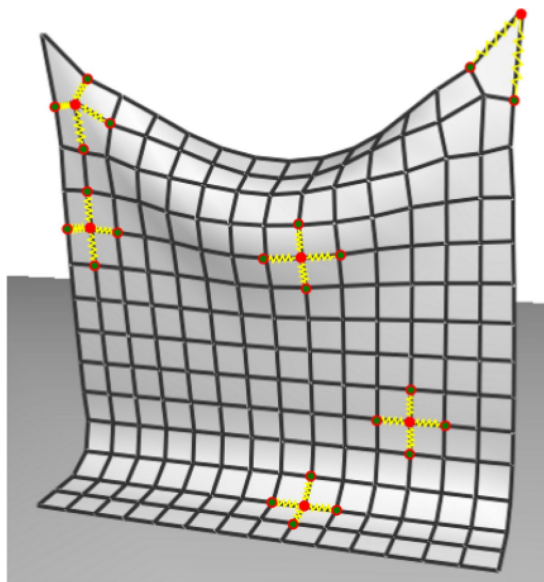


[Galvane et al, 13]

Particles: Spring mass



$$F(t) = K (L_0 - \|\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}_0\|) \frac{\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}_0}{\|\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{x}_0\|}$$



[Provot, 95]

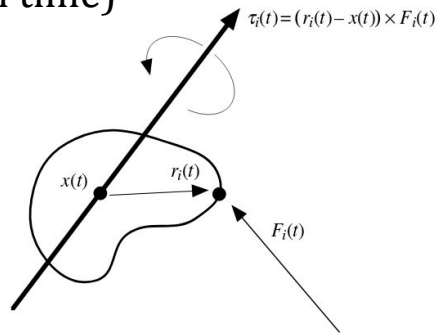
Rigid Bodies

Rigid bodies

Rigid body fully defined by the position of its **center of gravity** $\mathbf{p}$, and its **orientation** $\mathbf{R}$
 Dynamic takes into account: **inertia** (change of orientation through time)

Fundamental equation of dynamics

$$\begin{cases} Mv'(t) = F(t) \\ I\omega'(t) + \omega(t) \times (I\omega(t)) = \tau(t) \end{cases}$$



$$v(t) = x'(t)$$

$$R'(t) = \omega(t)R(t)$$

[Baraff, Witkin, SIGGRAPH Course 01]

$$F(t) = \int_q F(q, t) \, dq$$

$$\tau(t) = \int_q (q(t) - p(t)) \times F(q, t) \, dq$$

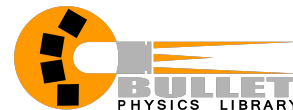
$$I = \int_q (q - p)^2 \text{Id} - (q - p)(q - p)^t \, dq$$

Rigid bodies examples

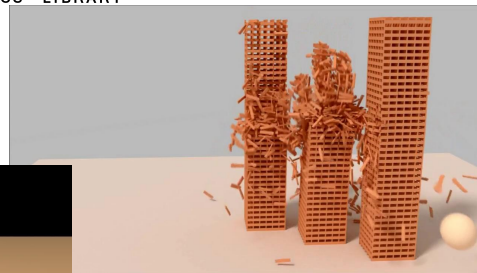
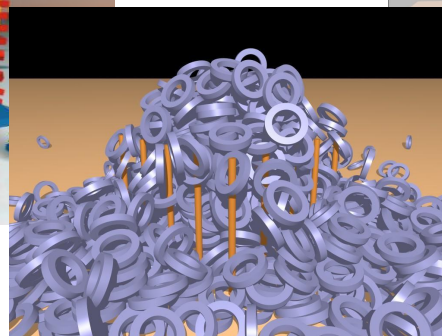
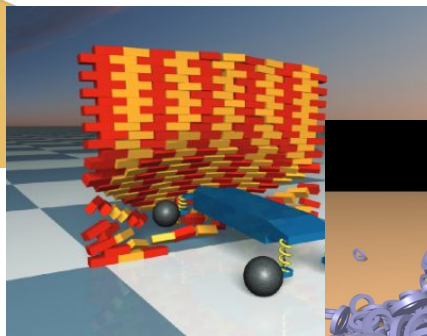
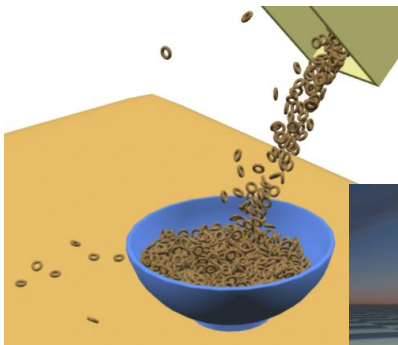
Widely used in VFX and video games:

Stacks of elements, Fracture, Explosions, ...

Main Open Softwares : **ODE, Bullets, PhysX**



[Bridson 03]



[Bender et al.

Interactive Simulation of Rigid Bodies in Computer Graphics, CGF 13]

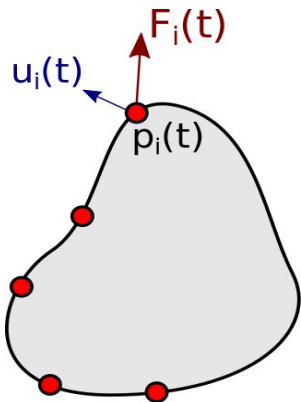
Continuous mechanics

Lagrangian / Eulerian

Characterizing a deforming object: 2 point of views

Lagrangian:

forces, speed attached to moving particle

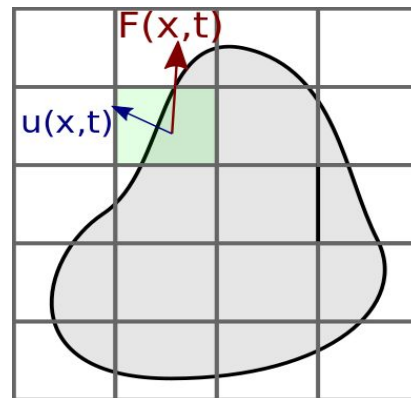


+ advection

$$a_i(t) = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t}(t)$$

Eulerian:

forces, speed at fixed position in space



+ Spatial operator
on field (ex.
divergence,
laplacian)

$$a(x, t) = \frac{du}{dt}(x, t) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}(x, t) + (u \cdot \nabla u)(x, t)$$

Convective/material derivative

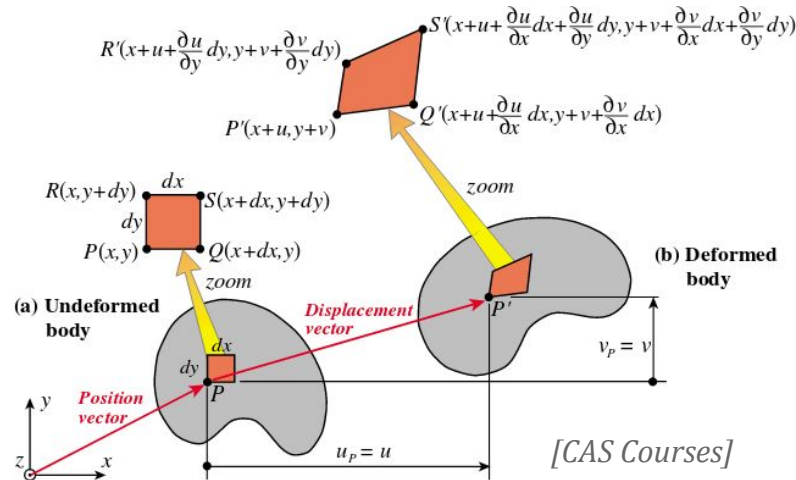
Continuous mechanics

Fundamental equation of dynamics

Case of solids (ex. elasticity, plasticity)

$$\rho \frac{du_i}{dt}(t, x) = \rho(x) F_i(t) + \frac{\partial \sigma_{ij}}{\partial x_j}$$

Deformation w/r rest state (structured)



Case of fluids : Navier Stokes

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} - \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{g} - \nabla p / \rho$$

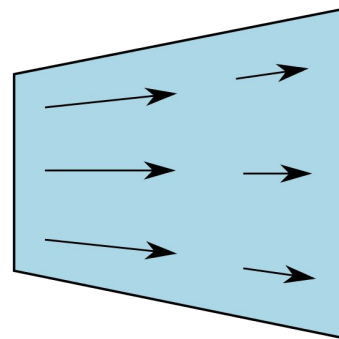
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

incompressibility

viscosity

forces

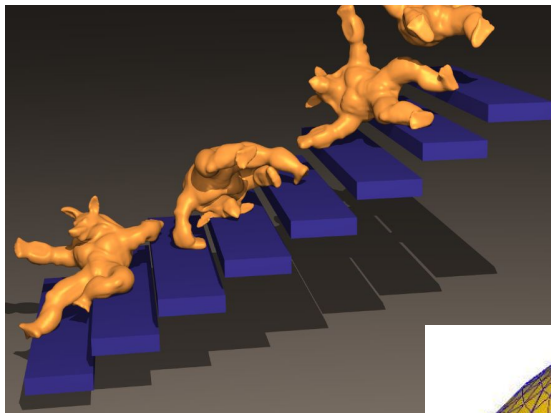
Unstructured deformation



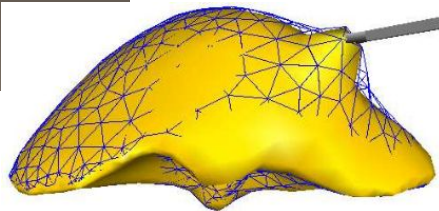
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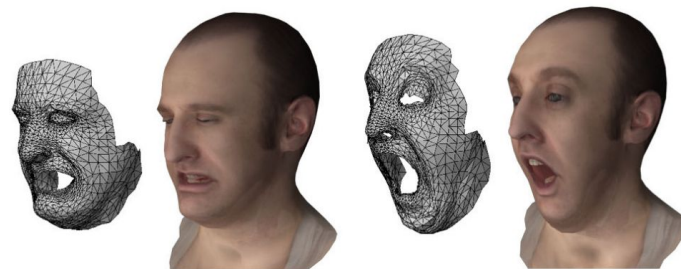
[Sifakis, Fedkiw, et al 05]



[Delingette, Ayache et al, 00]

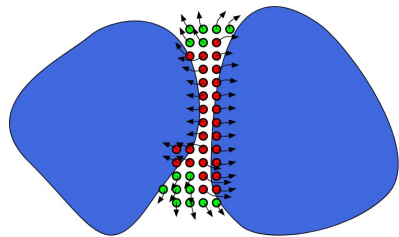


Model reduction

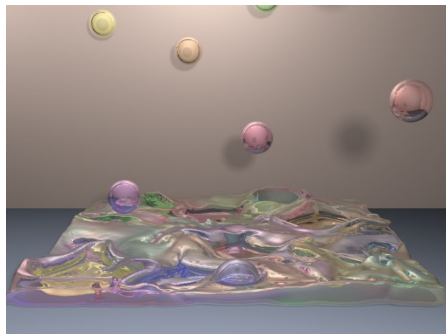


[Barbic et al, 16]

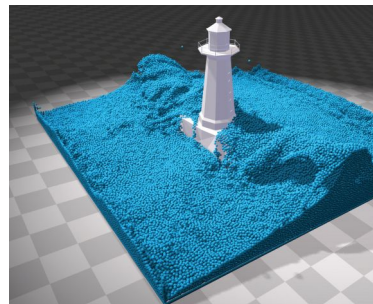
Continuous mechanics: FLuids: Grid + particles



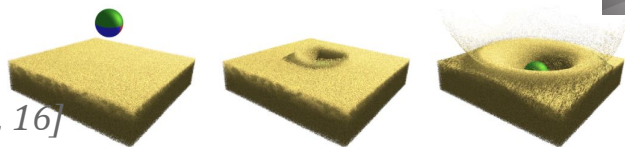
[Barteil, Adam, 06]



SPH method



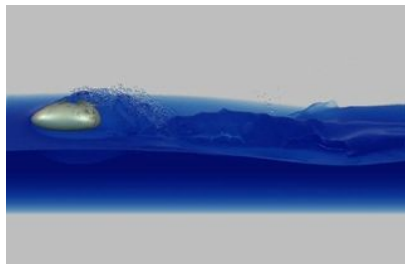
[Muller, 05]



[Davier, Desboubes, 16]

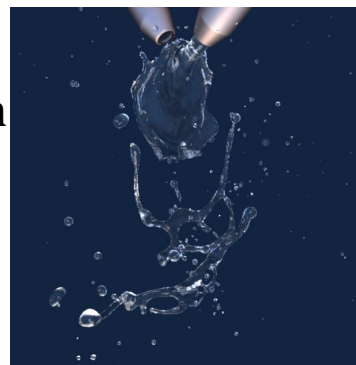
PIC/FLIP method

[Foster, Fedkiw, 01]



Fluid mesh

[Wojtan et al., 17]



Numerically solving differential equation

Numerical solution of ODE

$$U'(t) = \mathcal{F}(t, U(t)) \quad (\text{arbitrary dimension, non linear})$$

Explicit Euler

$$U(t + \Delta t) = U(t) + \Delta t \mathcal{F}(t, U(t))$$

1st Order
Conditionally stable

Implicit Euler

$$U(t + \Delta t) = U(t) + \Delta t \mathcal{F}(\underbrace{t + \Delta t}_{\text{Unknown}}, U(t + \Delta t))$$

1st Order
Unconditionally
stable

Numerical solution of ODE

Implicit method: stable, but impractical for non linear problems

Special case of linear problem: $U'(t) = A U(t) + b$

Implicit Euler:
$$U(t + \Delta t) = U(t) + \Delta t (A U(t + \Delta t) + b)$$

$$U(t + \Delta t) = (\text{Id} - \Delta t A)^{-1} (U(t) + \Delta t b)$$

Solve a linear system at each step

For non linear system: Linearize with respect to Δt , then use implicit Euler

Exemple: Free fall

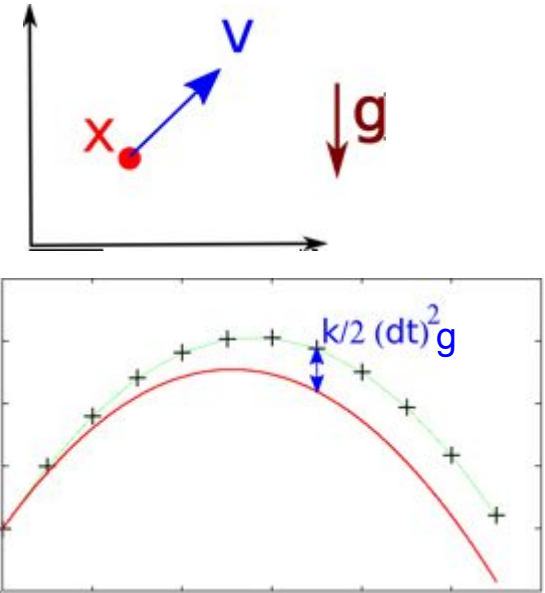
Motion: $x'(t)=v(t)$
 $v'(t)=g$

IC: $x(t=0)=x_0$
 $v(t=0)=v_0$

Explicit Euler $u'(t) = Au(t) + b(t)$ $u(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x(t) \\ v(t) \end{pmatrix}$ $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
 $b(t) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ g \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{cases} x^{k+2} = 2x^{k+1} - x^k + (\Delta t)^2 g \\ x^0 = x_0 \\ x^1 = x_0 + \Delta t v_0 \end{cases}$$

$$x(t = k\Delta t) = x_0 + (k\Delta t) v_0 + \frac{k(k-1)}{2} (\Delta t)^2 g$$



Real solution:

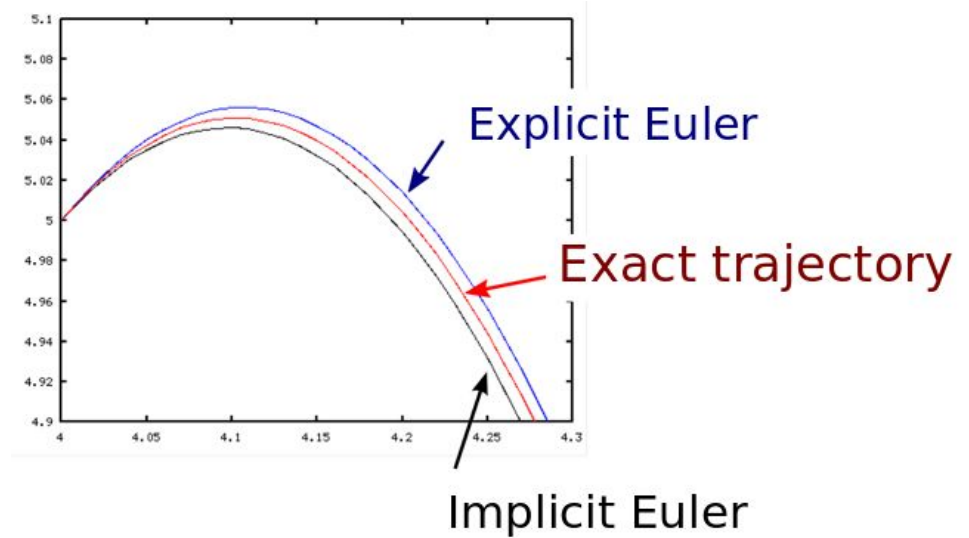
$$\tilde{x}(t = k\Delta t) = x_0 + (k\Delta t) v_0 + \frac{1}{2} (k\Delta t)^2 g$$

Exemple: Free fall

$$u^{k+1} = (I - \Delta t A)^{-1} (u^k + \Delta t b)$$

$$\begin{cases} x^{k+2} = 2x^{k+1} - x^k + (\Delta t)^2 g \\ x^0 = x_0 \\ x^1 = x_0 + \Delta t v_0 + (\Delta t)^2 g \end{cases}$$

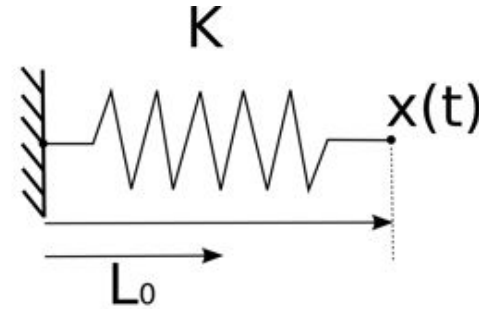
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Example: 1D Spring mass system

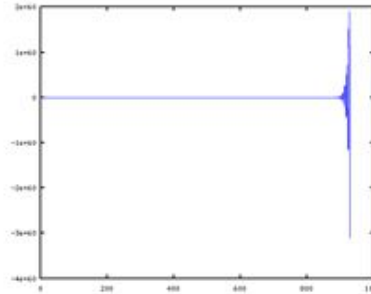
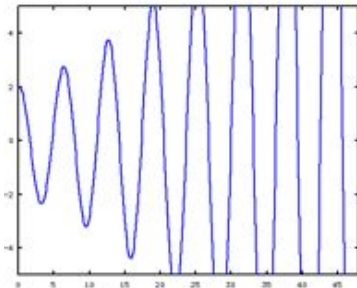
Spring force

$$F(t) = K(L_0 - x(t))$$



Explicit Euler:

$$x^{k+2} = 2x^{k+1} - \left(1 + (\Delta t)^2 \frac{K}{m}\right) x^k + (\Delta t)^2 \frac{K}{m} L_0$$



Expect:

$$x(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$$

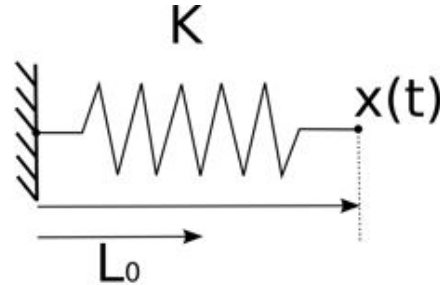
Exemple: 1D Spring mass system

Spring force

$$F(t) = K(L_0 - x(t))$$

Add fluid damping

$$F_d(t) = -\mu v(t)$$



New equation for explicit Euler:

$$x^{k+2} - \left(2 - \frac{\mu}{m} \Delta t\right) x^{k+1} + \left(1 + (\Delta t)^2 \frac{K}{m} - \frac{\mu}{m} \Delta t\right) x^k = (\Delta t)^2 \frac{K}{m} L_0$$

Conditionnaly stable

Large $K \Rightarrow$ Stiff springs

Stiff ODE

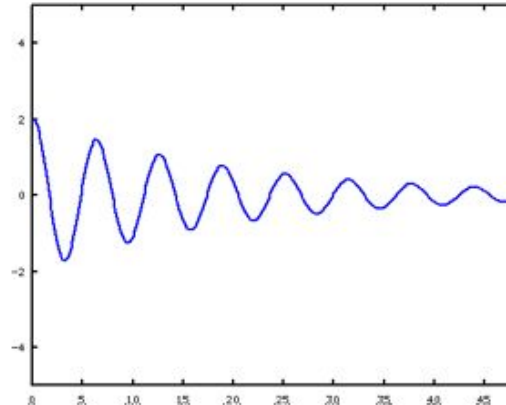
Example: 1D Spring mass system

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\Delta t \\ -\Delta t \frac{K}{m} & 1 \end{pmatrix} u^{k+1} = u^k + \Delta t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ K \frac{L_0}{m} \end{pmatrix}$$

M

Eigenvalues of M^{-1} $1 - \Delta t \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} < 1$

Unconditionally stable



Numerical solution of ODE

Runge-Kutta

$$U(t + \Delta t) = U(t) + \Delta t \sum_i b_i k_i \quad \begin{aligned} k_1 &= \mathcal{F}(t, U(t)) \\ k_2 &= \mathcal{F}(t + \alpha_2 \Delta t, U(t) + \Delta t(\beta_{21} k_1)) \\ k_3 &= \mathcal{F}(t + \alpha_3 \Delta t, U(t) + \Delta t(\beta_{31} k_1 + \beta_{32} k_2)) \\ &\dots \end{aligned}$$

+ *Explicit formulation, better stability (still conditionally stable)*

ex. 2nd Order $\alpha_2 = 0.5, \beta_{21} = 0.5$

$$U(t + \Delta t) = U(t) + \Delta t \left[\mathcal{F} \left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, U(t) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \mathcal{F}(t, U(t)) \right) \right]$$

Commonly used: Dormand-Prince (aka ode45) - 5th order

Exemple: Free fall

$$F : u^k = (x^k, v^k) \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} v^k \\ g \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u^{k+1/2} = \begin{pmatrix} x^k + \Delta t/2 v^k \\ v^k + \Delta t/2 g \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F(u^{k+1/2}) = \begin{pmatrix} v^k + \frac{\Delta t}{2} g \\ g \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &= x^k + \Delta t v^k + \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2} g \\ v^{k+1} &= v^k + \Delta t g \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} x^{k+2} = 2x^{k+1} - x^k + (\Delta t)^2 g \\ x^0 = x_0 \\ x^1 = x_0 + \Delta t v_0 + \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2} g \end{cases} \Rightarrow \boxed{x^k = x_0 + (k \Delta t) v_0 + \frac{(k \Delta t)^2}{2} g}$$

Exact solution

Numerical solution of PDE

Category: Linear equation of degree 2

Parabolic

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = a \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$$

Diffusion equation, smooth solution

Hyperbolic

$$a \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} - b \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 0$$

Wave equation, propagation with finite speed

Elliptique

$$a \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + b \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Poisson, Laplace equation

In analogy with:

$$y = ax^2$$

$$\frac{y^2}{a^2} - \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{y^2}{a^2} + \frac{x^2}{b^2} = 0$$

Numerical solution of PDE: general approaches

Finite difference (FDM)

Values only defined at the nodes

- + Easy to implement
- Only for structured grid

Finite elements (FEM)

Continuous basis functions (shape functions)

- + General shape, accuracy
- Computationally expensive

Finite volume (FV)

Piecewise constant values

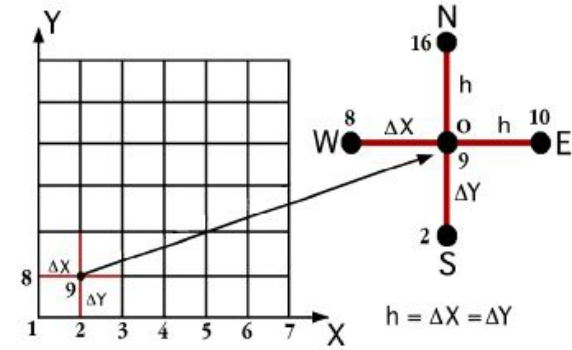
- + Adapted to advection, non smooth solution

Finite difference

Discretize the derivatives in space on a grid

=> ODE

Solve the ODE using explicit/implicit approaches



ex. Diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}(x, t) = \Delta U(x, t)$$

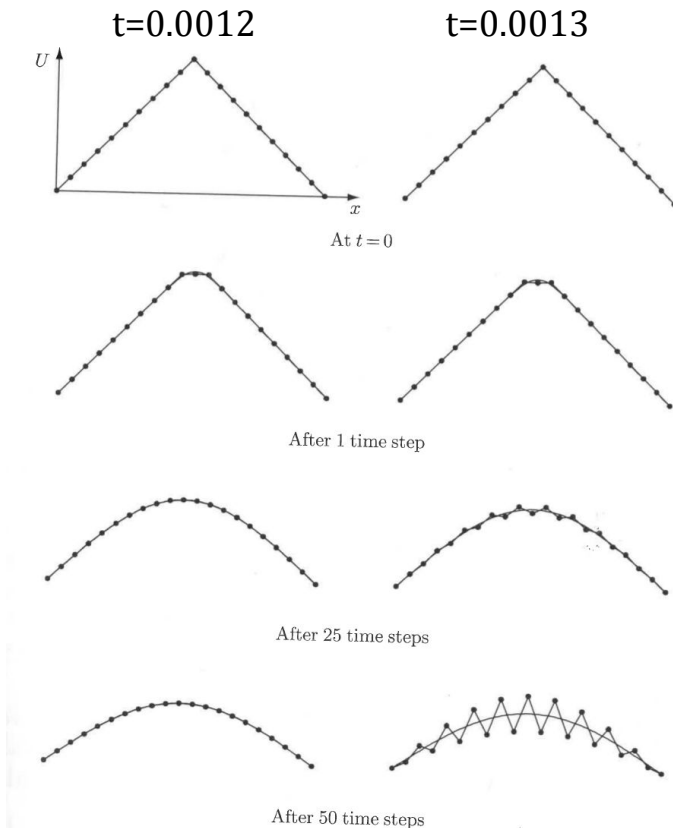
$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}(x, t) = \frac{1}{(\Delta x)^2} \left(U(x + \Delta x, t) - 2U(x, t) + U(x - \Delta x, t) \right)$$

Finite difference

Explicit Euler

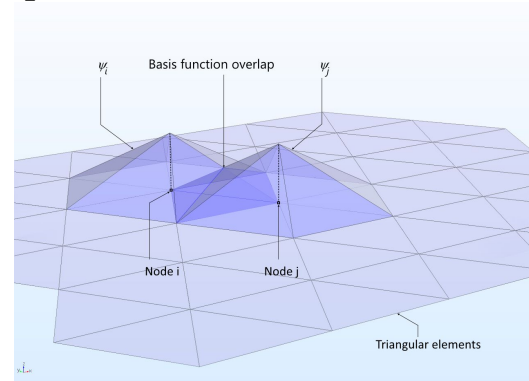
Conditionally stable

$$\frac{\Delta t}{(\Delta x)^2} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$



Finite elements method

- Convert the equation into a weak form
- Discretize the domain, set the basis shape functions
- Express the linear system on the weights of the shape functions
- Solve a sparse linear system



Finite Element Method

ex. Poisson equation $\Delta u(x, y) + f(x, y) = 0$ $u = g_D$ on $\partial\Omega_D$ *Dirichlet BC*
 $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = g_N$ on $\partial\Omega_N$ *Neumann BC*

Weak formulation: $\int_{\Omega} \Delta u v + f v = 0$ v : smooth “test” function

$\int_{\Omega} \Delta u v + f v = 0 \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v - \int_{\partial\Omega} v \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}$ *Integration by parts, divergence theorem*

$\Rightarrow \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v = \int_{\Omega} v f + \int_{\partial\Omega_N} v g_N$

Discretization: Look for solution written as $u_h = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{u}_j \phi_j + \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+\partial n} \mathbf{u}_j \phi_j$ (Galerkin FEM)

$(\phi_i)_i$ Shape functions, basis of the “test” functions v

Finite Element Method

Sparse linear system: $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}$

$$k_{ij} = \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi_j \cdot \nabla \phi_i$$
$$f_i = \int_{\Omega} \phi_i f + \int_{\partial\Omega_N} \phi_i g_N - \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+n_{\partial}} \mathbf{u}_j \int_{\Omega} \nabla \phi_j \cdot \nabla \phi_i$$

K: Stiffness matrix