

Hermite Integration

Taylor series for \mathbf{F} and $\mathbf{F}^{(1)}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F} &= \mathbf{F}_0 + \mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} t + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} t^2 + \frac{1}{6} \mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} t^3 \\ \mathbf{F}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} + \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} t + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} t^2\end{aligned}$$

Prediction

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{r}_j &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{6} \mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} \delta t'_j + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{F}_0 \right) \delta t'_j + \mathbf{v}_0 \right) \delta t'_j + \mathbf{r}_0 \\ \mathbf{v}_j &= \left(\left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} \delta t'_j + \mathbf{F}_0 \right) \delta t'_j + \mathbf{v}_0 \right); \quad \delta t'_j = t - t_j\end{aligned}$$

Higher derivatives

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} &= (2(\mathbf{F}_0 - \mathbf{F}) + (\mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} + \mathbf{F}^{(1)}) t) \frac{6}{t^3} \\ \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} &= (-3(\mathbf{F}_0 - \mathbf{F}) - (2\mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} + \mathbf{F}^{(1)}) t) \frac{2}{t^2}\end{aligned}$$

Corrector

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \mathbf{r}_i &= \frac{1}{24} \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} \Delta t^4 + \frac{1}{120} \mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} \Delta t^5 \\ \Delta \mathbf{v}_i &= \frac{1}{6} \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} \Delta t^3 + \frac{1}{24} \mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} \Delta t^4\end{aligned}$$

Quantized time-steps

$$\Delta t_n = \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{n-1}$$

AC Neighbour Scheme

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| Total force | $\mathbf{F}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{F}_j + \mathbf{F}_d(t)$ |
| Prediction scheme | $\mathbf{F}(t) = \mathbf{F}_n + \dot{\mathbf{F}}_d(t - t_0) + \mathbf{F}_d(t_0)$ $\dot{\mathbf{F}} = \dot{\mathbf{F}}_n + \dot{\mathbf{F}}_d$ |
| Time-scales | $\Delta t_n \ll \Delta t_d, \quad n \ll N$ |
| Individual time-steps | $\Delta t_i = \left(\frac{\eta \mathbf{F} }{ \dot{\mathbf{F}} } \right)^{1/2}, \quad \eta \simeq 0.02 - 0.03$ |
| Neighbour sphere | $R_s^{\text{new}} = R_s^{\text{old}} \left(\frac{n_p}{n} \right)^{1/3}, \quad n_p \simeq N^{1/2}$ |
| Neighbour selection | $ \mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j < R_s, \quad \text{Full } N \text{ loop}$ |
| Derivative corrections | $\ddot{\mathbf{F}}_{ij}, \mathbf{F}_{ij}^{(3)}, \quad \text{Explicit differentiation}$ |
| Performance | Break-even for $N \simeq 50$ |
| micro-Grape vs NBODY6 | Factor of 11 for $N = 25,000$ |
| Integration scheme | Divided differences or Hermite |

Time-Step Criteria

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| Basic time-step | $\Delta t = \frac{\alpha \mathbf{r} }{ \mathbf{v} }, \quad \Delta t = \frac{\beta \mathbf{F} }{ \mathbf{F}^{(1)} }$ |
| Taylor series | $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}_0 + \mathbf{F}_0^{(1)} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{F}_0^{(2)} \Delta t^2 + \frac{1}{6} \mathbf{F}_0^{(3)} \Delta t^3$ |
| Natural time-step | $\Delta t = \left(\frac{\eta \mathbf{F} }{ \mathbf{F}^{(2)} } \right)^{1/2}, \quad \eta = 0.02$ |
| General expression | $\Delta t = \left(\frac{\eta (\mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^{(2)} + \mathbf{F}^{(1)} ^2)}{ \mathbf{F}^{(1)} \mathbf{F}^{(3)} + \mathbf{F}^{(2)} ^2} \right)^{1/2}$ |
| Planetesimals | $\Delta t = \frac{\beta R^2}{ \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{V} }, \quad \beta = 0.1$ |
| KS regularization | $\mathbf{F}_U = \frac{1}{2} h \mathbf{U}$ |
| Substitution | $\Delta \tau = \frac{\eta_U}{(2 h)^{1/2}}, \quad \eta_U = 0.2$ |
| Implications | Δt independent of mass |
| Bulirsch–Stoer | absolute tolerance |

KS Regularization

New coordinates $R = u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2 + u_4^2$

Time transformation $dt = R d\tau$

Coordinate transformation $\mathbf{R} = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u}$

Levi-Civita matrix

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & -u_2 & -u_3 & u_4 \\ u_2 & u_1 & -u_4 & -u_3 \\ u_3 & u_4 & u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Equations of motion

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}'' &= \frac{1}{2} h \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{2} R \mathcal{L}^T \mathbf{P} \\ h' &= 2 \mathbf{u}' \cdot \mathcal{L}^T \mathbf{P} \\ t' &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

Close encounter $\Delta t_i < \Delta t_{cl}; \quad R < r_{cl}$

Termination $\gamma \equiv \frac{|\mathbf{P}| R^2}{m_i + m_j} > 0.5$

Centre of mass motion $\ddot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{m_i \mathbf{P}_i + m_j \mathbf{P}_j}{m_i + m_j}$

Perturber selection $r_k < \lambda R, \quad \gamma > 1 \times 10^{-6}$

KS Decision-Making

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| Close encounter | $R_{\text{cl}} = \frac{4 r_{\text{h}}}{N C^{1/3}}, \quad \Delta t_{\text{cl}} = \beta \left(\frac{R_{\text{cl}}^3}{\bar{m}} \right)^{1/2}$ |
| Time-step criterion | $\Delta t_k < \Delta t_{\text{cl}}$ |
| Neighbour list search | list all $r_{kj}^2, \quad \Delta t_j < 2 \Delta t_{\text{cl}}$ |
| Two-body selection | $R_{kl} < R_{\text{cl}}, \quad \dot{R}_{kl} < 0$ |
| Dominant motion | $\frac{m_k + m_l}{R_{kl}^2} > \frac{m_k + m_j}{R_{kj}^2}$ |
| KS initialization | $\mathbf{F}_U, \mathbf{F}'_U, \Delta\tau \ \& \ t^{(n)} \Rightarrow \Delta t$ |
| Initialization of c.m. | $\mathbf{r}_{\text{cm}} = \frac{m_k \mathbf{r}_k + m_l \mathbf{r}_l}{m_k + m_l}$ |
| Perturber search | $r_{\text{p}} < \left(\frac{2m_{\text{p}}}{m_{\text{b}} \gamma_{\text{min}}} \right)^{1/3} a (1 + e)$ |
| Slow-down adjustment | $\gamma < \gamma_0, \quad \Delta\tau \Rightarrow \kappa \Delta t$ |
| Termination test | $R > R_0, \quad \gamma > \gamma^*$ |
| Delayed termination | $T_{\text{block}} - t > \Delta t_i$ |
| Final iteration | $\Delta\tau$ from $\dot{\tau}, \ddot{\tau}, \dots$ and δt |
| Polynomial initialization | $\mathbf{F}_j, \dot{\mathbf{F}}_j, \Delta t_j, \quad j = k, l$ |

Practical Aspects of KS

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| Regular equations | Perturbed harmonic oscillator, $\gamma < 1$ |
| Constant time-step | $\Delta\tau = \eta \left(\frac{1}{2 h } \right)^{1/2}$ vs $\Delta t \propto R^{3/2}$ |
| Linearized equations | Higher accuracy per step |
| Faster force calculation | Tidal perturbation, $P \propto 1/r^3$ |
| Unperturbed motion | $\gamma < 10^{-6}$, $\Delta t > t_K$ |
| Slow-down procedure | Adiabatic invariance, $\tilde{P} = \kappa P$ |
| Energy rectification | Improve \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}' from integration of h' |
| C.m. approximation | $d > 100 a (1 + e)$ |
| Transformations | $\mathbf{R} = \mathcal{L}\mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{r}_j = \mathbf{r}_{\text{cm}} \pm \mu\mathbf{R}/m_j$ $\dot{\mathbf{R}} = 2\mathcal{L}\mathbf{u}'/R, \quad \dot{\mathbf{r}}_j = \dot{\mathbf{r}}_{\text{cm}} \pm \mu\dot{\mathbf{R}}/m_j$ |
| Two-body elements | a, \mathbf{J}, e for averaging & circularization |

Hierarchical Systems

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| Hierarchical formation | $B + B \Rightarrow T + S \text{ or } B + \tilde{B}, \quad e_{\text{out}} < 1$ |
| Dynamical molecules | $[B,S], [B,B], [[B,S],S], [[B,B],S]$ |
| Formation rate | binary fraction |
| Stability | $a_{\text{out}}(1 - e_{\text{out}}) > \Psi(m, e_{\text{in}}, i) a_{\text{in}}$ |
| Chaos boundary | fuzzy region & holes |
| Inclination effect | prograde vs retrograde stability |
| Kozai cycles | $\cos^2 i (1 - e_{\text{in}}^2) = \text{const}$ |
| Eccentricity modulation | orbit averaging |
| Instability | $\dot{e}_{\text{out}} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{slingshot}$ |
| Superfast particles | time-step reduction |

Initialization of Hierarchy

1. Increase merger index **IM** for **IPAIR** and **JCOMP**
2. Save m_k, m_l in merger table **CM(K,IM)**, $K \rightarrow 4$ if **JCOMP** > **N**
3. Copy c.m. neighbour list for later corrections
4. Terminate KS solution and update **NPAIRS** and arrays
5. Evaluate potential energy of components and old neighbours
6. Record $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{r}_k - \mathbf{r}_l$, $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{v}_k - \mathbf{v}_l$ and h in merger table
7. Form binary c.m. in primary location **ICOMP** = 2*NPAIRS + 1
8. Define ghost ($m = 0$, $X = 10^6$) and initialize prediction variables
9. Obtain potential energy of inner c.m. body and neighbours
10. Remove ghost from neighbour lists
11. Initialize new KS for outer component in **JCOMP** = **ICOMP** + 1
12. Define c.m. and ghost names: $\mathcal{N}_{\text{cm}} = -\mathcal{N}_{\text{ICOMP}}$, $\mathcal{N}_{\text{ghost}} = \mathcal{N}_{\text{JCOMP}}$
13. Set pericentre stability limit in $R_0(\mathbf{IP})$ for termination test
14. Update merger energy $\Delta E = \mu h_0 + \Delta \Phi$

Termination of Hierarchy

1. Locate current position in merger table: $\mathcal{N}_{\text{IM}} = \mathcal{N}_{\text{cm}}$
2. Save c.m. neighbours for correction procedure
3. Terminate outer KS solution and update **NPAIRS**
4. Evaluate potential energy of c.m. and neighbours +**JCOMP**
5. Determine location of ghost: $\mathcal{N}_j = \mathcal{N}_{\text{ghost}}, \quad j = 1, \text{N} + \text{NPAIRS}$
6. Restore inner binary components from **CM(K, IM)**, **R**, **V**
7. Add **JCOMP** to neighbour lists containing **ICOMP**
8. Initialize force polynomials for outer component
9. Copy basic KS variables $h, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u}'$
10. Re-activate inner binary as new KS solution
11. Include copy and KS procedure for $\mathcal{N}_{\text{JCOMP}} > N$
12. Obtain potential energy of inner components and perturbers
13. Update merger energy for conservation $\Delta E = \Delta \Phi - \mu h$
14. Reduce merger index and compress tables (including escapers)

Physical Collisions

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| Simple definition | $R_{\text{coll}} = \frac{3}{4}(r_1^* + r_2^*)$ |
| Two-body encounter | KS regularization |
| Pericentre condition | $R'_0 R' < 0, \quad R < a$ |
| Pericentre determination | Δt_{peri} from Kepler's equation |
| Predict \mathbf{R}_{peri} or iterate | $d\tau_0 = \frac{\Delta t_{\text{peri}}}{R}, \quad \text{Newton-Raphson}$ |
| Implement collision | $m_{\text{cm}} = m_1 + m_2, \quad r_{\text{cm}} = \frac{m_1 \mathbf{r}_1 + m_2 \mathbf{r}_2}{m_1 + m_2}$ |
| Initialize single body | $\mathbf{F}_i, \dot{\mathbf{F}}_i, \Delta t_i$ |
| Compact subsystem | $\dot{R} \simeq 0$ by iteration |
| Transformation | $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{P} \Rightarrow \mathbf{r}, \dot{\mathbf{r}}$ |
| New chain construction | $N_{\text{ch}} \Rightarrow N_{\text{ch}} - 1, \quad E_{\text{coll}} = E_{\text{ch}} - \mathcal{V}$ |

Quantization of Time

Hierarchical block-steps $\Delta t_n = \frac{\Delta t_1}{2^{n-1}}, \quad n = 1, 40$

Initialization $t_{\text{next}} = t_0 + \Delta t_i$

Truncation $\Delta \tilde{t}_i, \quad \Rightarrow n \quad \text{by fast iteration}$

Commensurability $\text{mod}(t, \Delta t_i) = 0$

New time $t = \min(t_0 + \Delta t_i)$

Scheduling algorithm

Multiple regularizations - termination or collision

Define quantized interval $\delta \tilde{t} = (t_{\text{ch}} - t_{\text{prev}})/8$

New time for initialization $t_{\text{new}} = t_{\text{prev}} + [(t_{\text{ch}} - t_{\text{prev}})/\delta \tilde{t}] \delta \tilde{t}$

Decision-Making

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| Condition for special treatment | $\Delta t_i < \Delta t_{\text{cl}}$ |
| 1. Two-body encounter | $i \leq N, \quad R < R_{\text{cl}}, \quad \dot{R} < 0$ |
| 2. Chain regularization | $i > N, \quad a_{\text{out}} (1 - e_{\text{out}}) < 2 a_{\text{in}}$ |
| 3. Stable triple formation | $a_{\text{out}} (1 - e_{\text{out}}) > 3 a_{\text{in}}$ |
| Apocentre test (#2 & #3) | $\dot{R}_0 \dot{R} < 0, \quad R > a$ |
| Case #1 algorithm | $\frac{P R^2}{m_1 + m_2} < 0.25, \dots$ |
| Case #2 algorithm | $R + d < R_{\text{cl}}, \dots$ |
| Case #3 algorithm | $\frac{M_{\text{b}} m_3}{2 a_{\text{out}}} > \frac{1}{2} \bar{m} V^2, \dots$ |

Control and Size Parameters

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| IPHASE indicator | 0 | Standard value |
| | 1 | New KS regularization |
| | 2 | KS Termination |
| | 3 | Output and energy check |
| | 4 | Three-body regularization |
| | 5 | Four-body regularization |
| | 6 | New hierarchical system |
| | 7 | Termination of hierarchy |
| | 8 | Chain regularization |
| | 9 | Physical collision |
| | -1 | Enforce time-step list |

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| COMMON blocks | NMAX | Number of objects, $N_0 = N_s + N_b$ |
| | KMAX | KS solutions |
| | LMAX | Size of neighbour lists |
| | MMAX | Hierarchical systems |
| | NCMAX | Chain membership |