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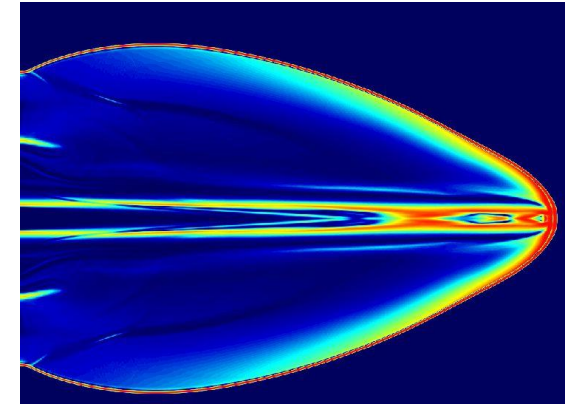
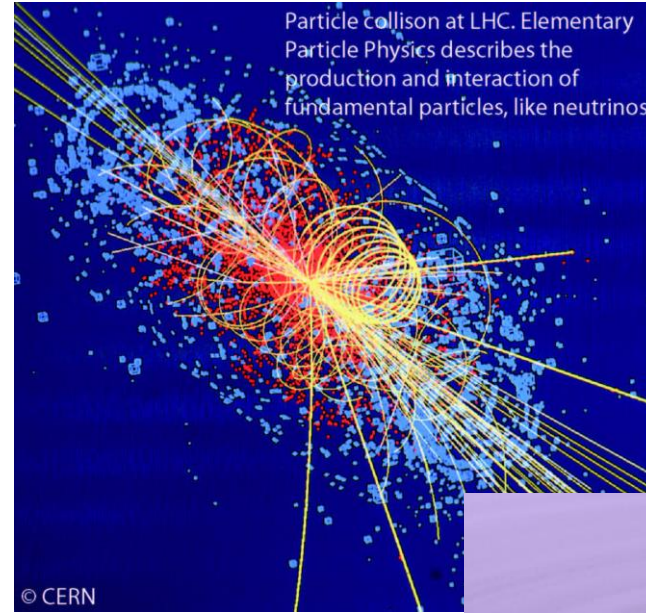
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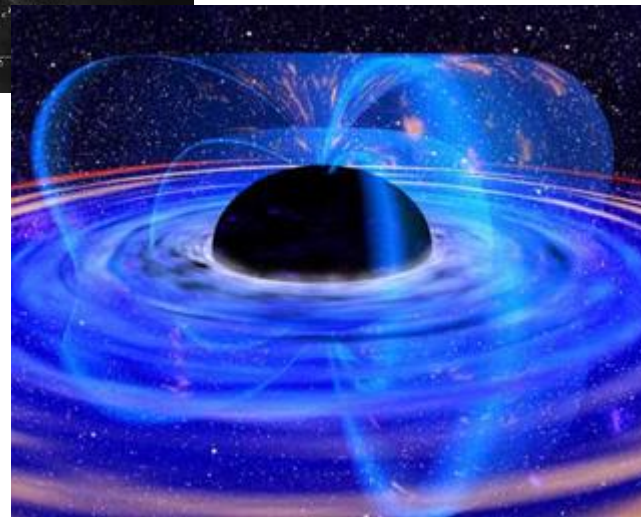
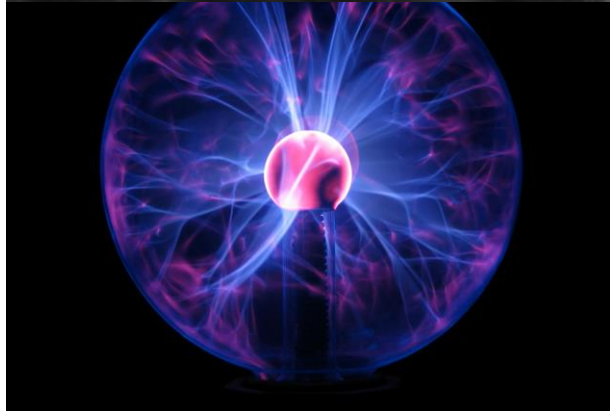
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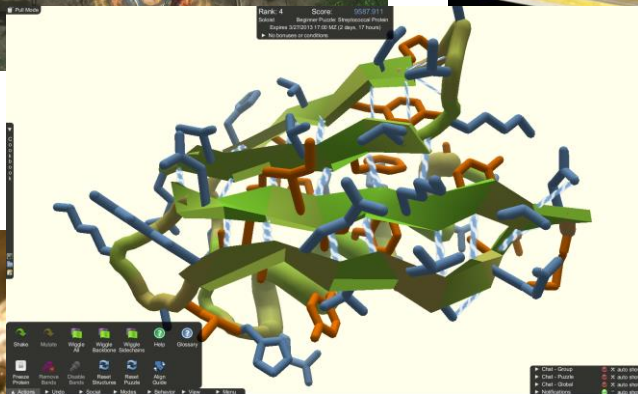
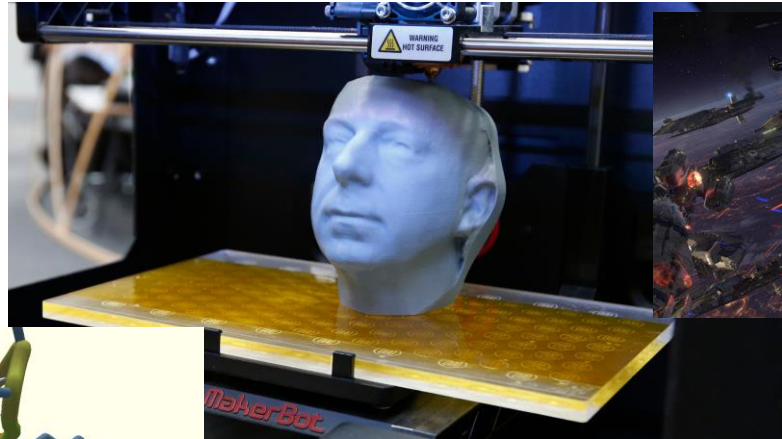
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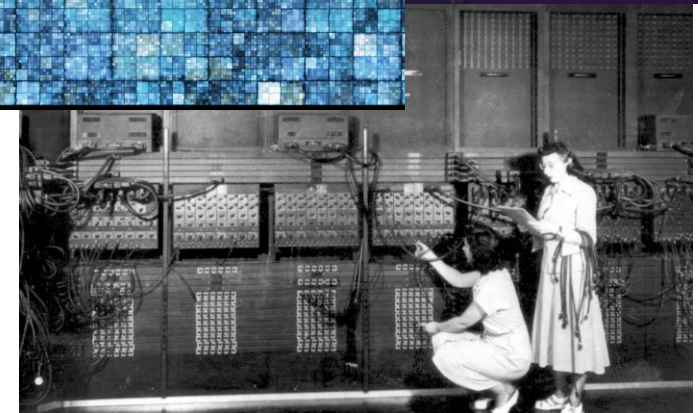
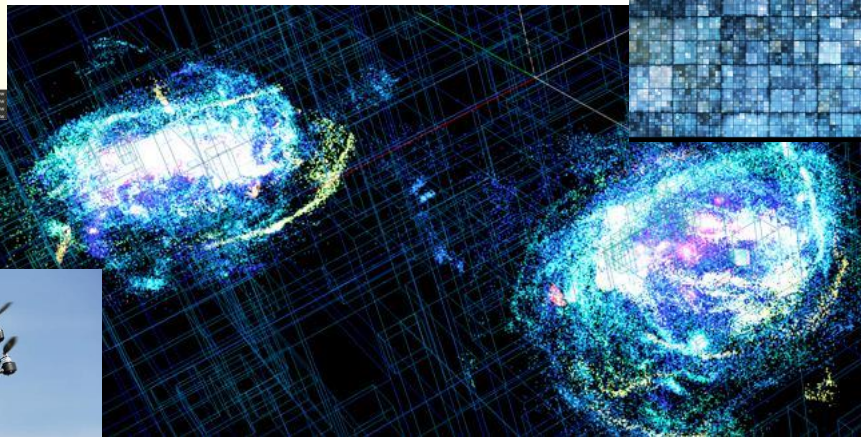
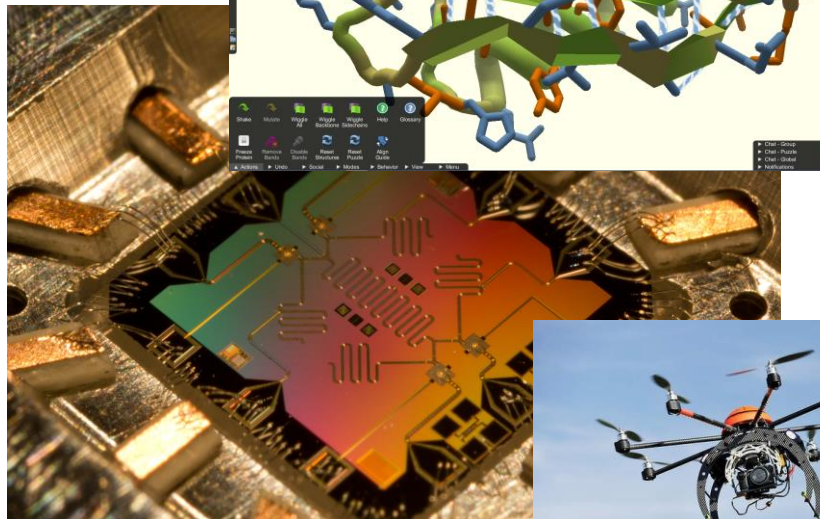
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# WHAT IS COMPUTATION?



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# OUTLINE

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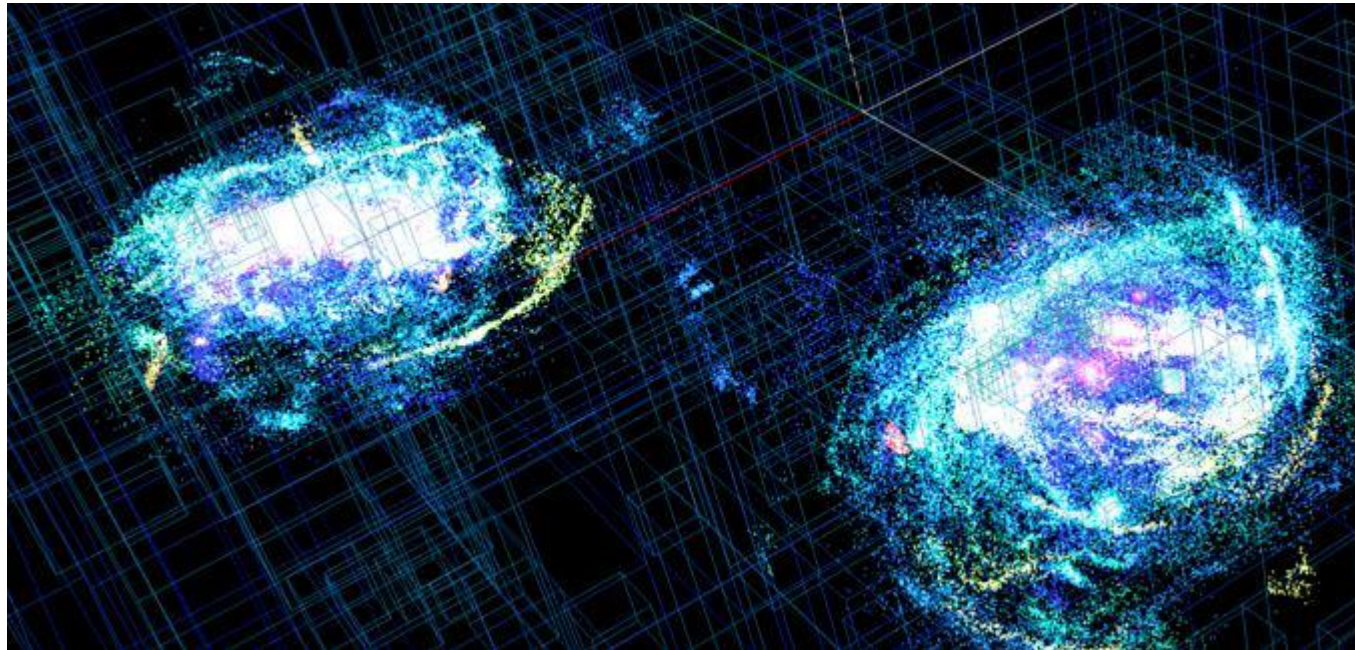
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# A BRIEF HISTORY OF COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS



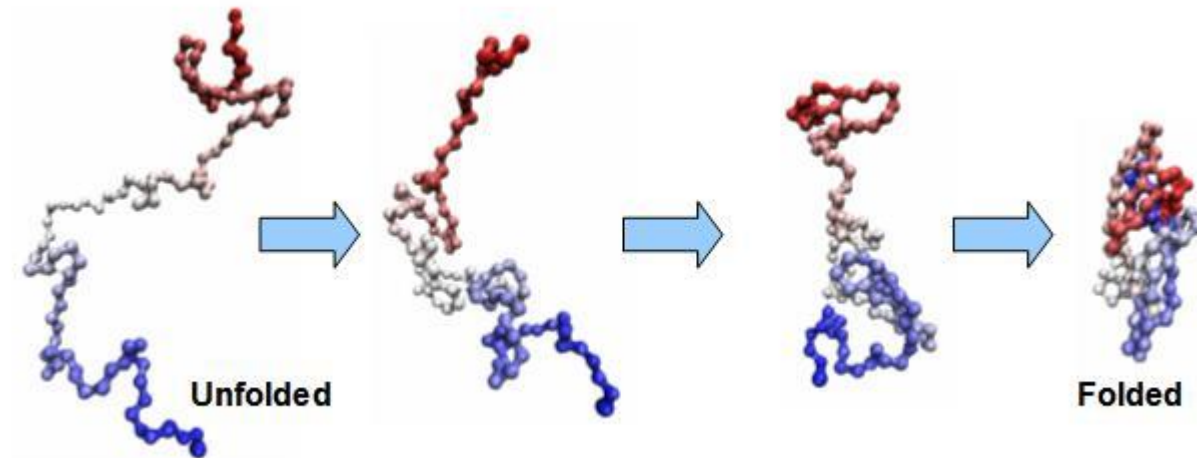
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Computational astrophysics



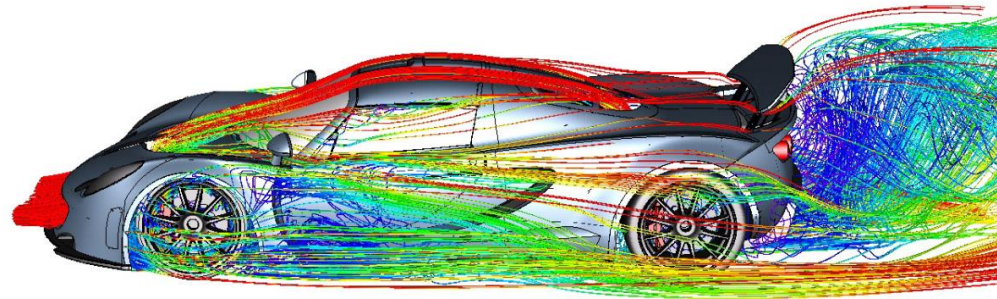
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Protein folding / biology



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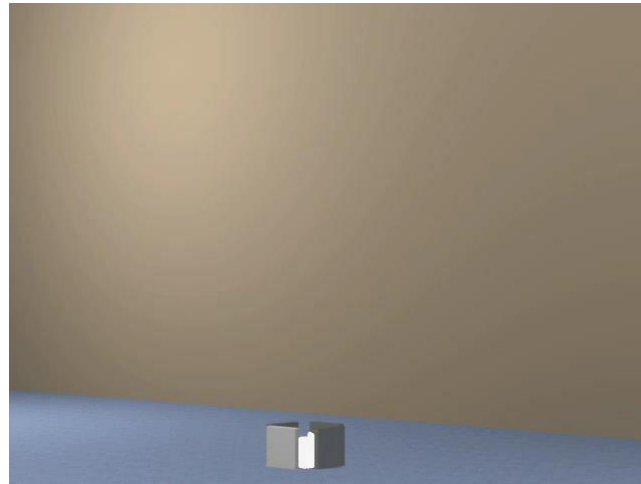
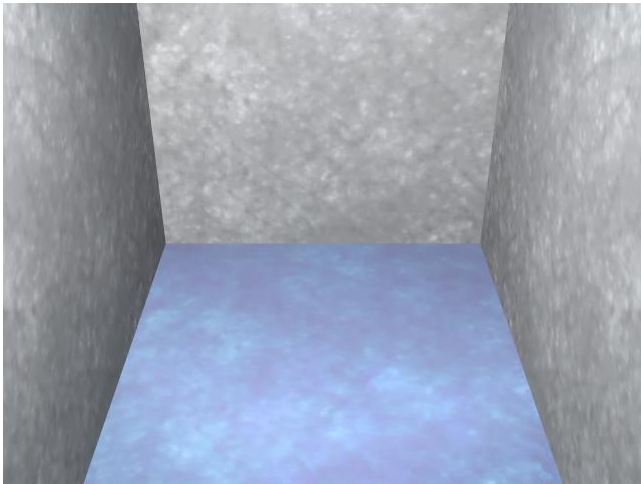
Computational fluid dynamics





# HOW COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS IS USED TODAY

Computational fluid dynamics



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Graphics



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# A SIMPLE COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS EXAMPLE

Simulating an object falling due to gravity:

$$x = x_0 + v_0\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}a\Delta t^2$$

1. Pick a “time step”  $\Delta t$
2. Solve equation to update  $x$
3. Use new  $x$  and old  $x$  to update  $v$
4. Repeat steps 2-4

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# MAKING COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS WORK

1. Figure out what physical laws apply to what you want to simulate (reading, thinking, doing math)
2. Figure out how to solve those equations on a computer (reading, thinking, math)
3. Write a computer program that solves the equations (programming)
4. Debug
5. Make a finished product
  1. Render results and make cool pictures/animations (programming, art)
  2. Compare to real-world experiments and other people's work (programming, reading)
6. Use results to gain insight into universe and to guide future research

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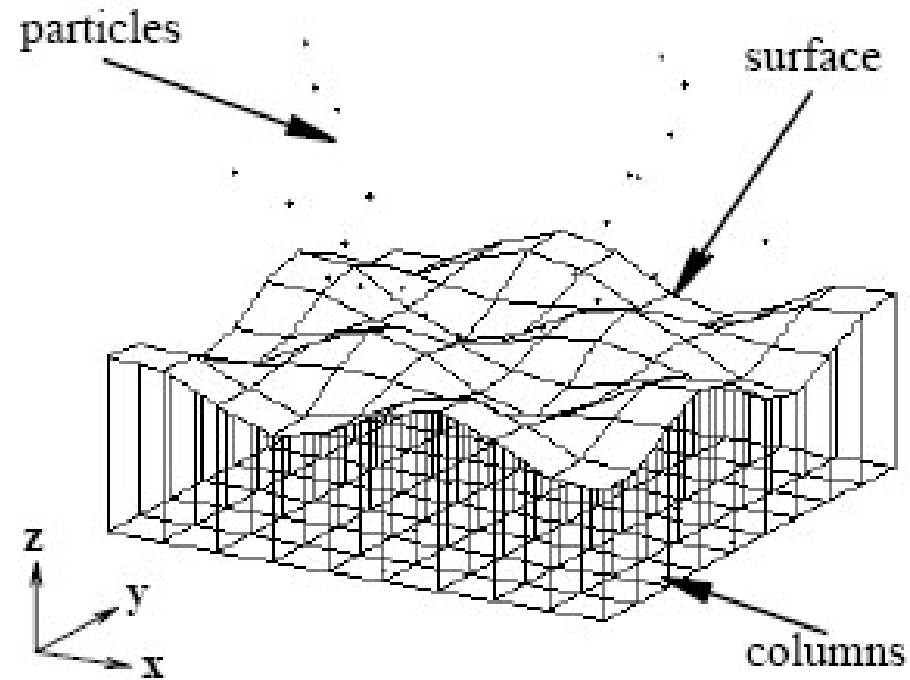
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e.g. Navier-Stokes equations (fluid dynamics):

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \bar{p} + \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{3} \nu \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{g}$$

# MAKING COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS WORK

2. Figure out how to solve those equations on a computer (reading, thinking, math)





# MAKING COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS WORK

## 3. Write a computer program that solves the equations (programming)

```
%=====
% code1.m
% A very simple Navier-Stokes solver for a drop falling in a rectangular
% domain. The viscosity is taken to be a constant and a forward in time,
% centered in space discretization is used. The density is advected by a
% simple upwind scheme.
%=====
%domain size and physical variables
Lx=1.0;Ly=1.0;gx=0.0;gy=-100.0; rho1=1.0; rho2=2.0; m0=0.01; rro=rho1;
unorth=0;usouth=0;veast=0;vwest=0;time=0.0;
rad=0.15;xc=0.5;yc=0.7; % Initial drop size and location

% Numerical variables
nx=32;ny=32;dt=0.00125;nstep=100; maxit=200;maxError=0.001;beta=1.2;

% Zero various arrays
u=zeros(nx+1,ny+2); v=zeros(nx+2,ny+1); p=zeros(nx+2,ny+2);
ut=zeros(nx+1,ny+2); vt=zeros(nx+2,ny+1); tmp1=zeros(nx+2,ny+2);
uu=zeros(nx+1,ny+1); vv=zeros(nx+1,ny+1); tmp2=zeros(nx+2,ny+2);

% Set the grid
dx=Lx/nx;dy=Ly/ny;
for i=1:nx+2; x(i)=dx*(i-1.5);end; for j=1:ny+2; y(j)=dy*(j-1.5);end;

% Set density
r=zeros(nx+2,ny+2)+rho1;
for i=2:nx+1,for j=2:ny+1;
    if ( (x(i)-xc)^2+(y(j)-yc)^2 < rad^2), r(i,j)=rho2;end;
end,end
%===== START TIME LOOP=====
for is=1:nstep,is
    % tangential velocity at boundaries
    u(1:nx+1,1)=2*usouth-u(1:nx+1,2);u(1:nx+1,ny+2)=2*unorth-u(1:nx+1,ny+1);
    v(1,1:ny+1)=2*vwest-v(2,1:ny+1);v(nx+2,1:ny+1)=2*veast-v(nx+1,1:ny+1);

    for i=2:nx,for j=2:ny+1      % TEMPORARY u-velocity
        ut(i,j)=u(i,j)+dt*(-0.25*((u(i+1,j)+u(i,j))^2-(u(i,j)+
            u(i-1,j))^2)/dx+((u(i,j+1)+u(i,j))*(v(i+1,j)+
            v(i,j))- (u(i,j)+u(i,j-1))*(v(i+1,j-1)+v(i,j-1)))/dy)+
            m0/(0.5*(r(i+1,j)+r(i,j)))*(
                (u(i+1,j)-2*u(i,j)+u(i-1,j))/dx^2+
                (u(i,j+1)-2*u(i,j)+u(i,j-1))/dy^2 )+gx    );
        end,end
end,end
```

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# PARTICLE-BASED FLUID SIMULATION

[Demo Video](#)

# WALKTHROUGH: PARTICLE-BASED FLUID SIM

Why approximate fluid as particles?

- Simplicity, speed

What must a particle know?

- Position, velocity, mass, density, pressure, force, etc.

How do particles move?

- Newton's second law ( $F = ma$ )

What next?

- Write the simulation loop!

# WALKTHROUGH: PARTICLE-BASED FLUID SIM

The algorithm:

- Initialize particles
- For each time step  $\Delta t$ :
  - For each particle  $p_j$ :
    - Get neighbors  $N_j$  of  $p_j$
    - Compute density at  $p_j$  from  $N_j$
    - Compute pressure at  $p_j$  from  $N_j$
    - Use density, pressure, and other forces like gravity to compute acceleration of  $p_j$
    - Update particle velocity and position due to acceleration
    - Correct for collisions
  - Add new particles if necessary (source term)
  - Remove particles if necessary (e.g. outside domain)

# WALKTHROUGH: PARTICLE-BASED FLUID SIM

## Q&A:

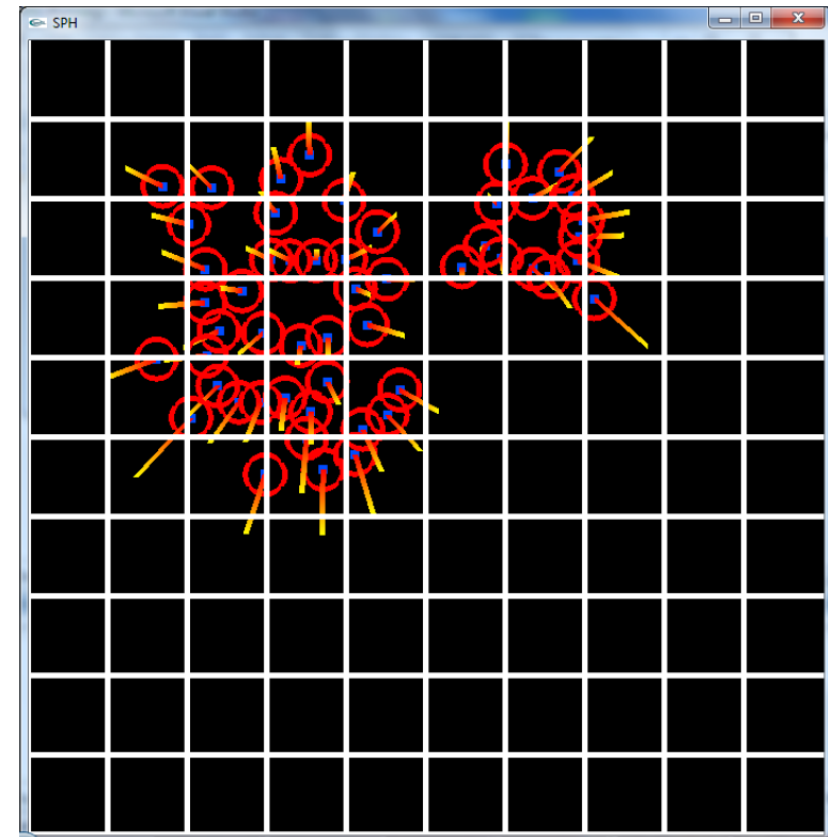
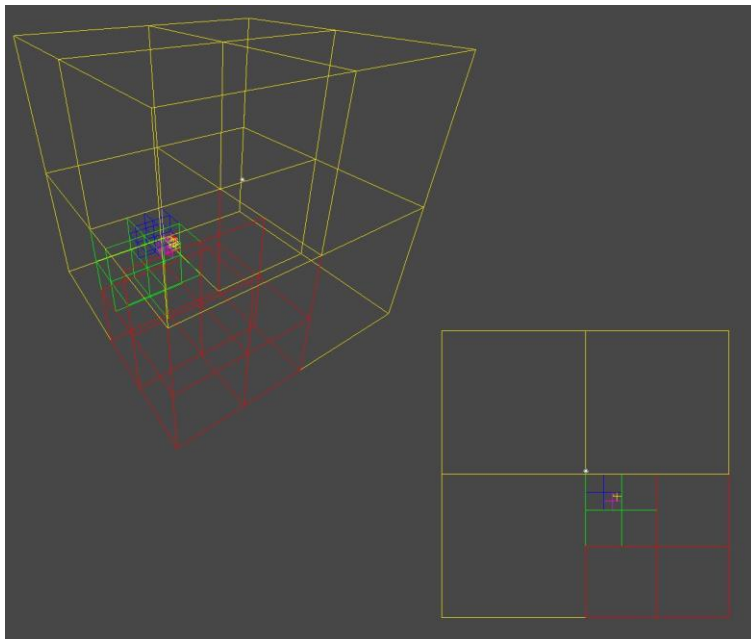
- Smaller = more accurate, larger = faster
  - Naively compute inter-particle distances?
  - Use a kernel, e.g.  $W(d) = \frac{1}{\pi^2 h^3} e^{-\frac{r^2}{h^2}}$ ?
  - Acceleration structures?
  - Forward Euler?
  - Backward Euler?
  - RK4?
- Initialize particles
  - For each time step  $\Delta t$ : **How to choose  $\Delta t$ ?**
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      - Correct for collisions
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# ACCELERATION STRUCTURES FOR SPH SIMS

One possible acceleration structure: spatial grid

Extension: adaptive grids

- Quadtrees, octrees



# TIME INTEGRATION / 205A FREE PREVIEW

How to numerically solve an equation like  $F = ma$ ? (Assume mass is constant.)

Can express above as ordinary differential equation (ODE):

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = Fm^{-1}$$

**Forward Euler:**  $\frac{v^{n+1} - v^n}{\Delta t} = F^n m^{-1} \Rightarrow v^{n+1} = v^n + \Delta t F^n m^{-1}$

- Trivial to solve; unstable

**Backward Euler:**  $\frac{v^{n+1} - v^n}{\Delta t} = F^{n+1} m^{-1} \Rightarrow v^{n+1} = v^n + \Delta t F^{n+1} m^{-1}$

- Requires inversion/iteration to solve; stable

**Trapezoidal:**  $\frac{v^{n+1} - v^n}{\Delta t} = \frac{1}{2} (F^n + F^{n+1}) m^{-1} \Rightarrow v^{n+1} = v^n + \frac{\Delta t}{2} (F^n + F^{n+1}) m^{-1}$

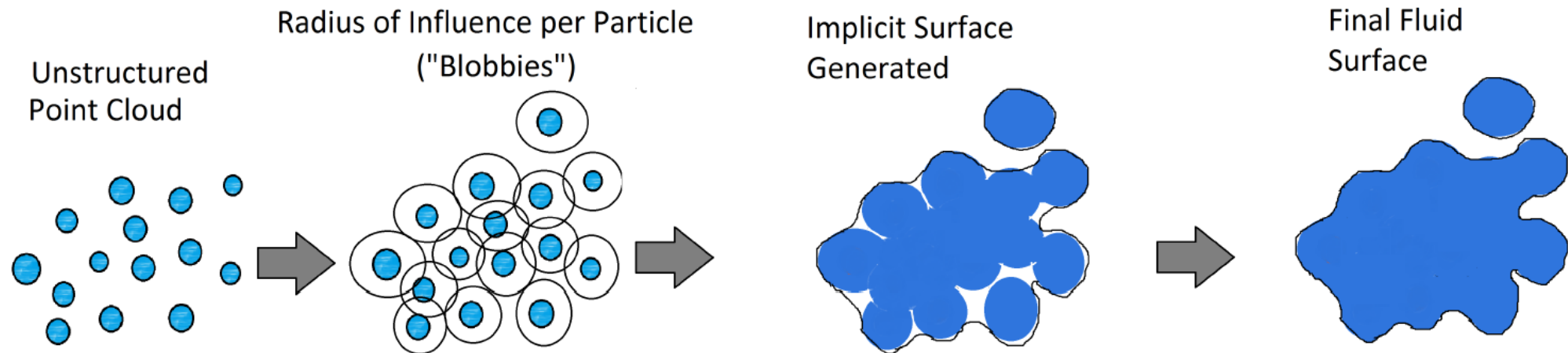
**More?:** Higher-order methods etc.



# RENDERING SPH FLUID

Real fluid is not made of particles

Can't simulate infinite number of small particles



[Demo Video](#)

# RENDERING SPH FLUID

Make it look more realistic?

Lighting, shading

Reflection, refraction

Foam, turbulence

- Color by vorticity: [demo video](#)

# WALKTHROUGH: GRID-BASED FLUID SIM

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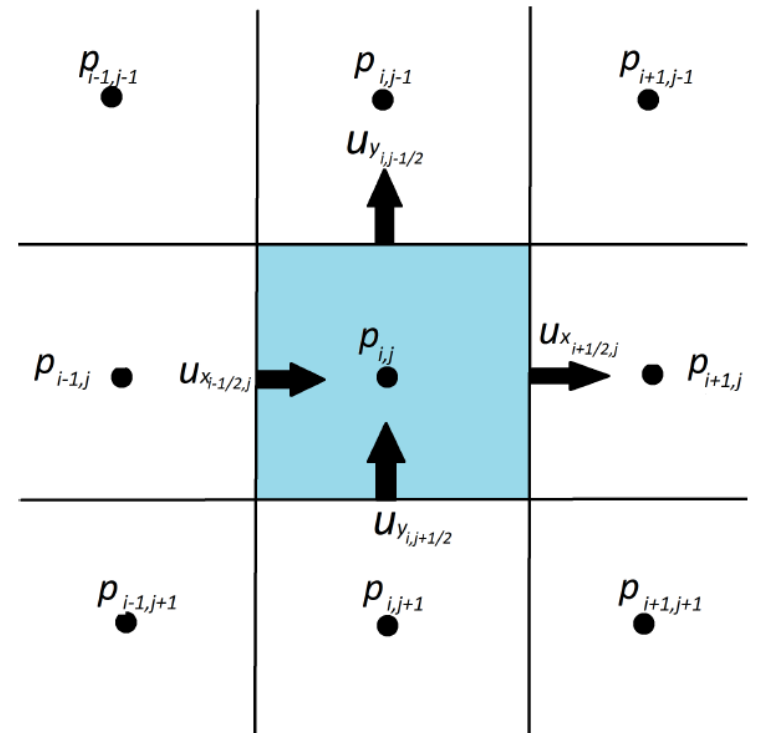
# WALKTHROUGH: GRID-BASED FLUID SIM

The idea:

Discretize space into a grid

Store fluid quantities at different positions on the grid

- MAC grid
- Order of accuracy
  - $O(\Delta x)$ ,  $O(\Delta x^2)$ , etc.
- Update fluid quantities with advection and projection steps



# WALKTHROUGH: GRID-BASED FLUID SIM

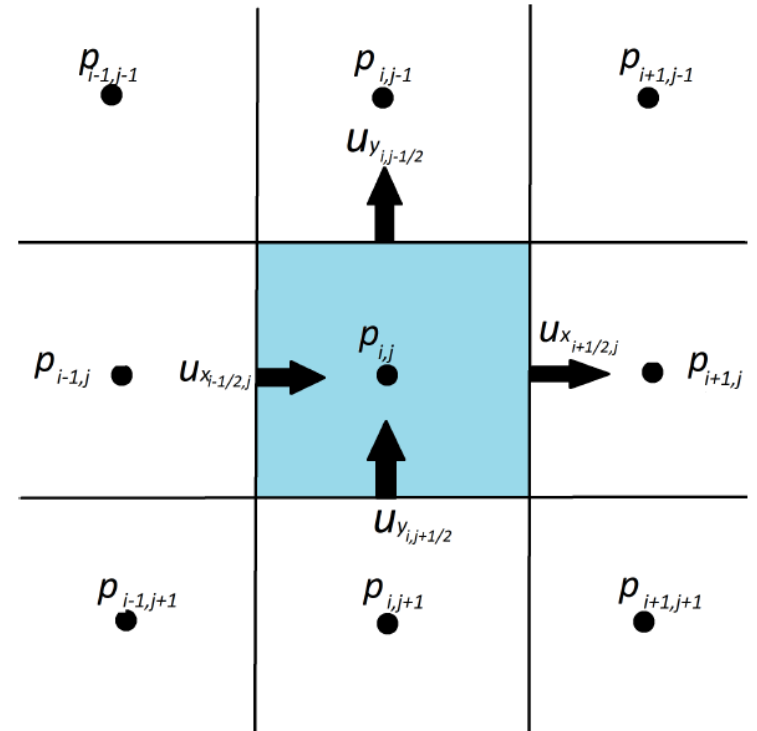
Choosing a time step

CFL condition:

$$\Delta t = \frac{\Delta h}{\vec{u}_{max}}$$

(constants out in front?)

(adaptive time steps?)



# WALKTHROUGH: GRID-BASED FLUID SIM

Semi-Lagrangian advection for a fluid quantity  $Q$  (e.g. density)

1. For each grid cell with index  $i, j, k$

Calculate  $-\frac{\partial Q}{\partial t}$

Calculate the spatial position of  $Q_{i,j,k}$ , store it in  $\vec{X}$

Calculate  $\vec{X}_{prev} = \vec{X} - \frac{\partial Q}{\partial t} * \Delta t$

Set the gridpoint for  $Q^{n+1}$  that is nearest to  $\vec{X}_{prev}$  equal to  $Q_{i,j,k}$

2. Set  $Q = Q^{n+1}$

(note: Forward Euler)

# WALKTHROUGH: GRID-BASED FLUID SIM

Projection and collision handling:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u}^{n+1} = 0$$

$$\vec{u}^{n+1} \cdot \hat{n} = \vec{u}_{solid} \cdot \hat{n}$$

# RENDERING EULERIAN FLUID

Level set method

Initialize level set as *signed distance function*

- Solve Eikonal equation  $|\nabla\phi| = 1$

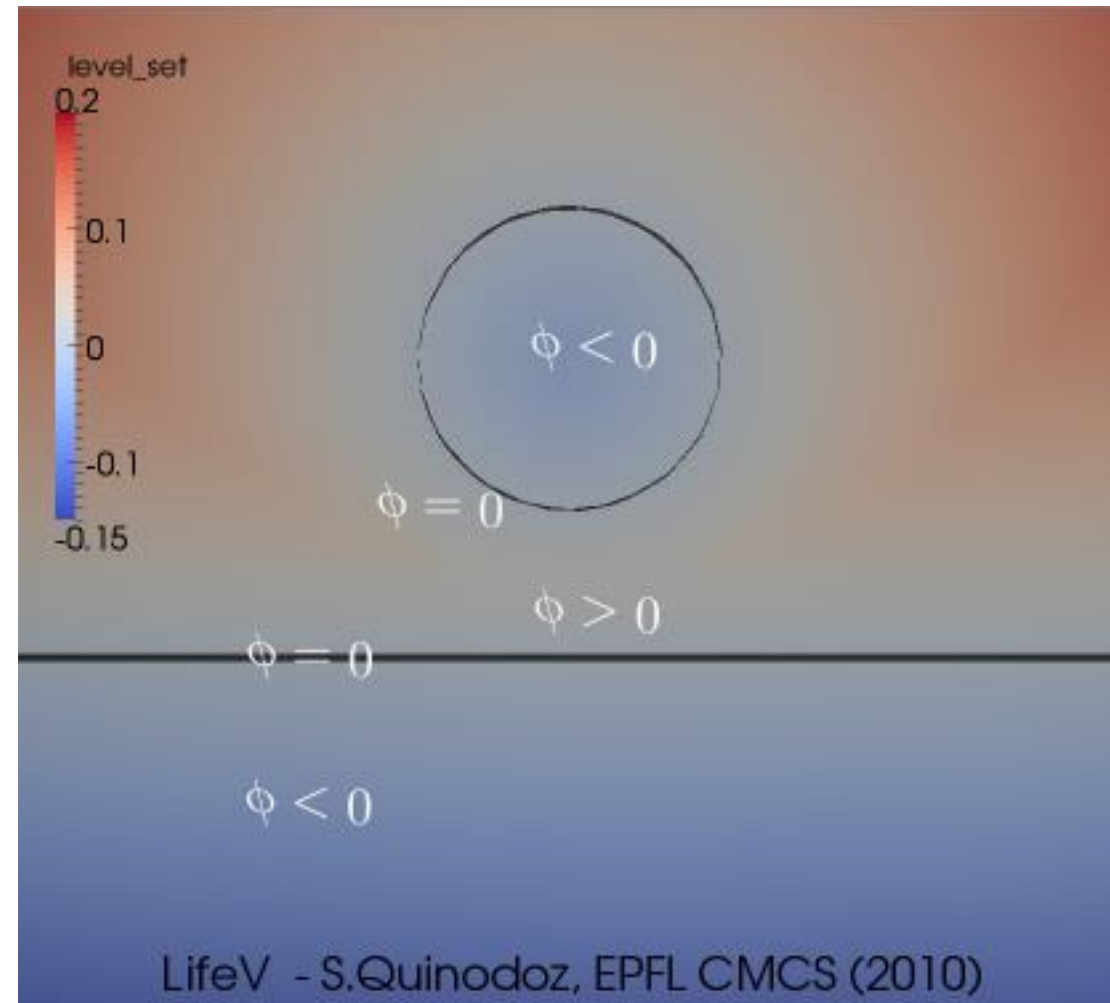
Advect level set along with fluid!

- $\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} = v|\nabla\phi|$

Reinitialize level set occasionally

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[Demo Video 2](#)



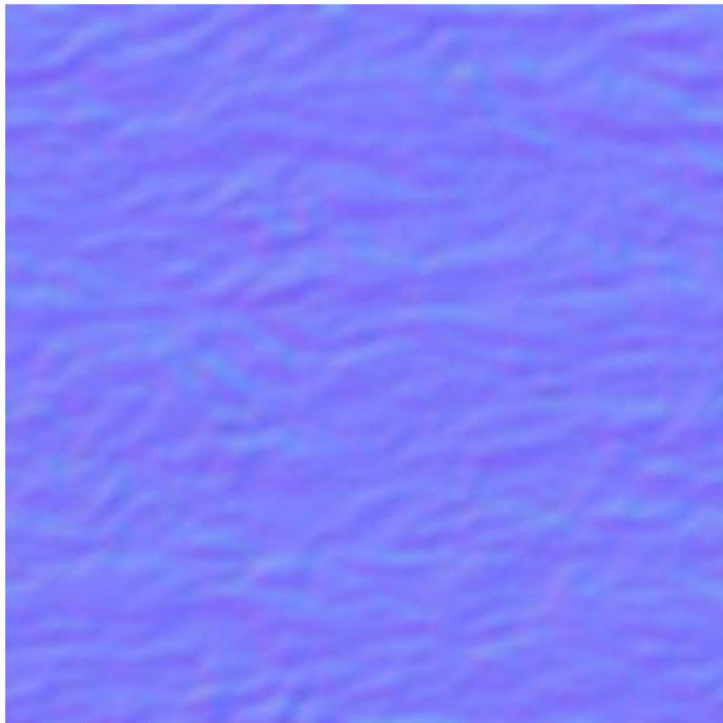


# FLUID SIMULATIONS: BRIEF COMPARISON

	Particle-Based	Grid-Based
Speed?	<b>Faster</b>	Slower
Parallelization?	<b>Trivial</b>	Non-trivial
Accuracy?	Less accurate	<b>More accurate</b>
Visual appearance?	Worse	<b>Better</b>

# FLUID SIMS: RENDERING CONSIDERATIONS

With fluid as triangle mesh, can apply normal mapping



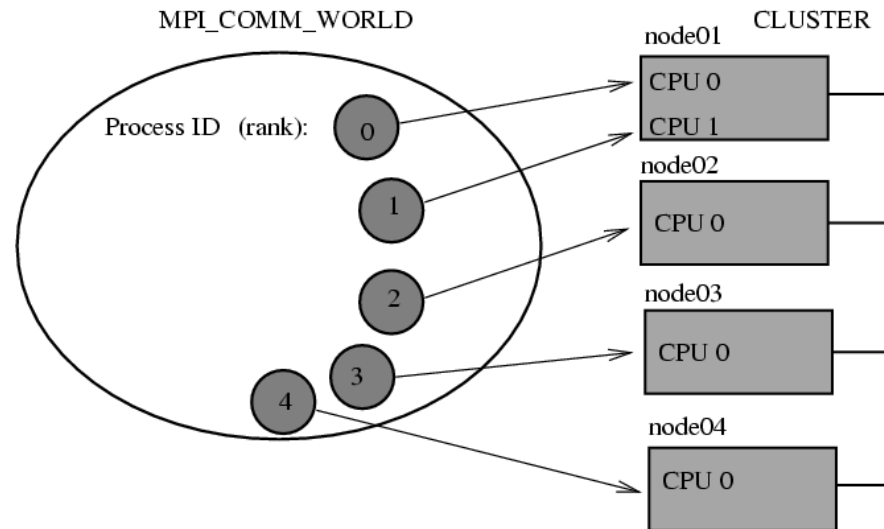
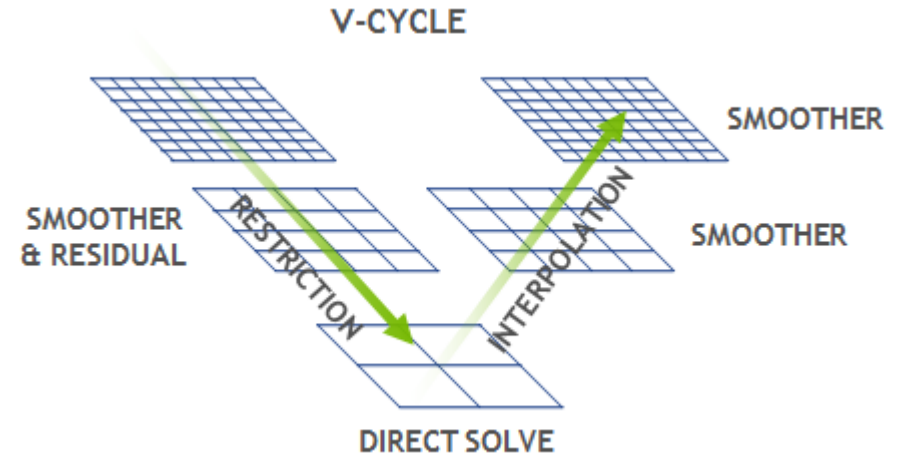
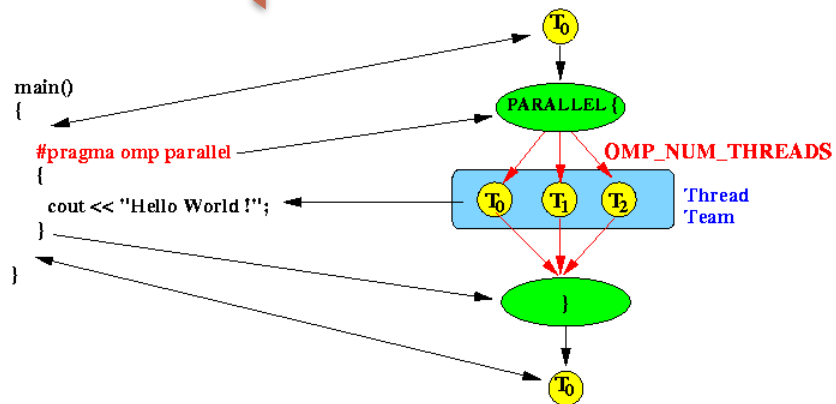
*NormalMap.bmp*



# FLUID SIMS: PERFORMANCE CONSIDERATIONS

## Parallelism

- GPU?
- MPI?
- OpenMP?





# LIVE DEMO: FLUID SIMULATION IN MAYA

(Show rendered result afterwards)

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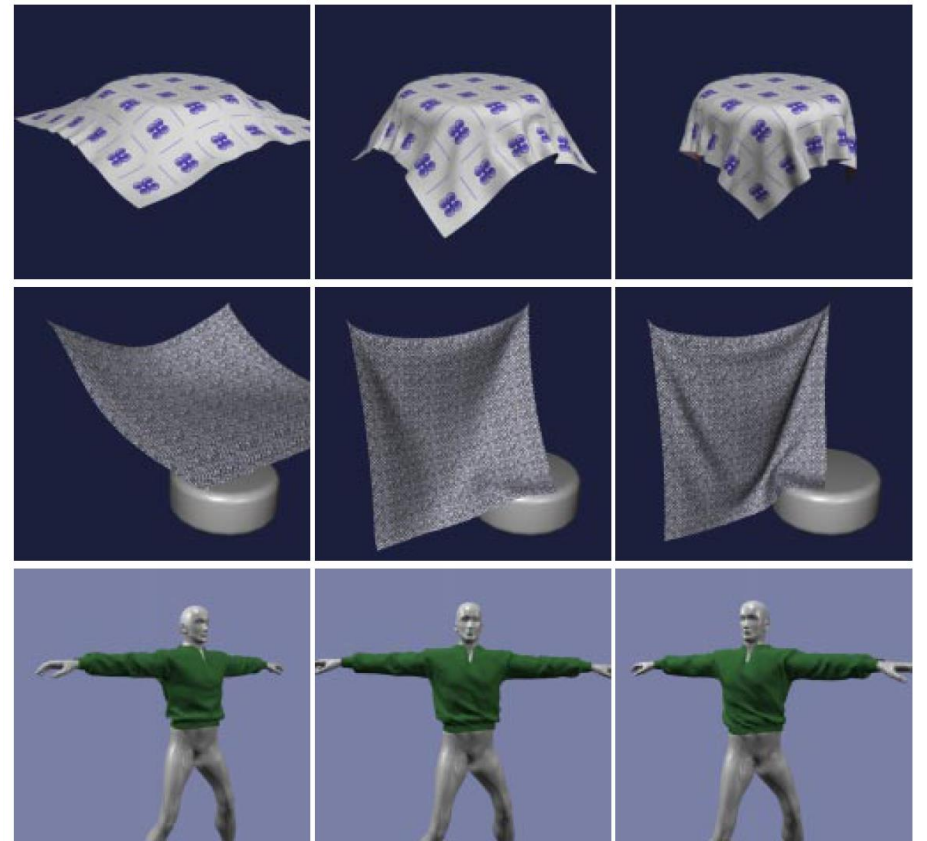
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## Large Steps in Cloth Simulation

David Baraff   Andrew Witkin

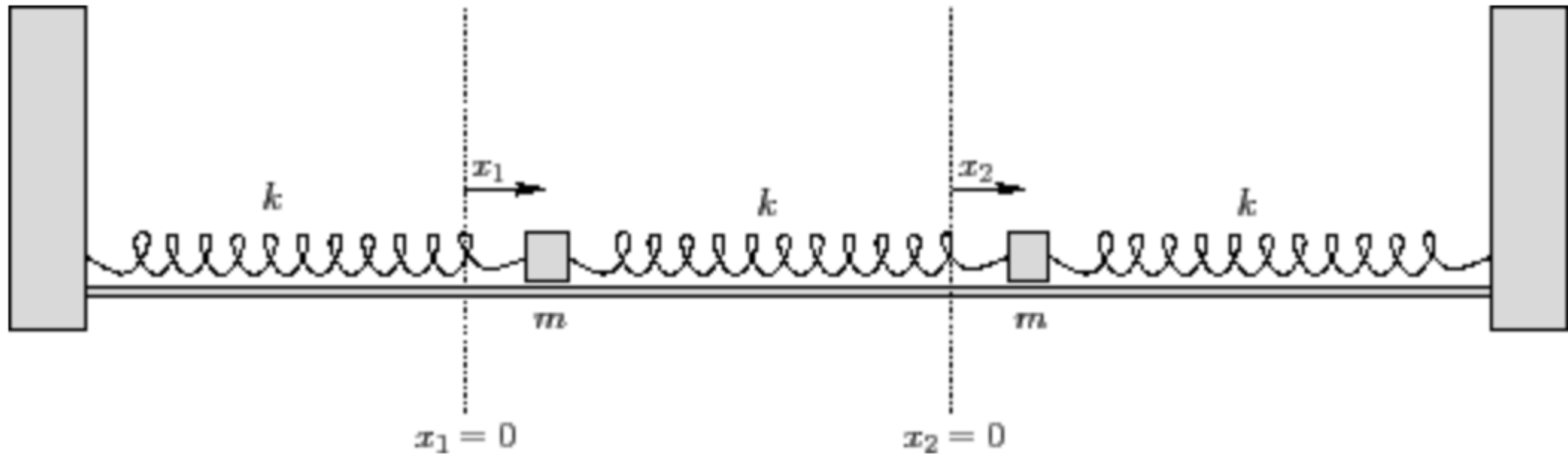
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# A SINGLE MASS-SPRING SYSTEM

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# COUPLED MASS-SPRING SYSTEM

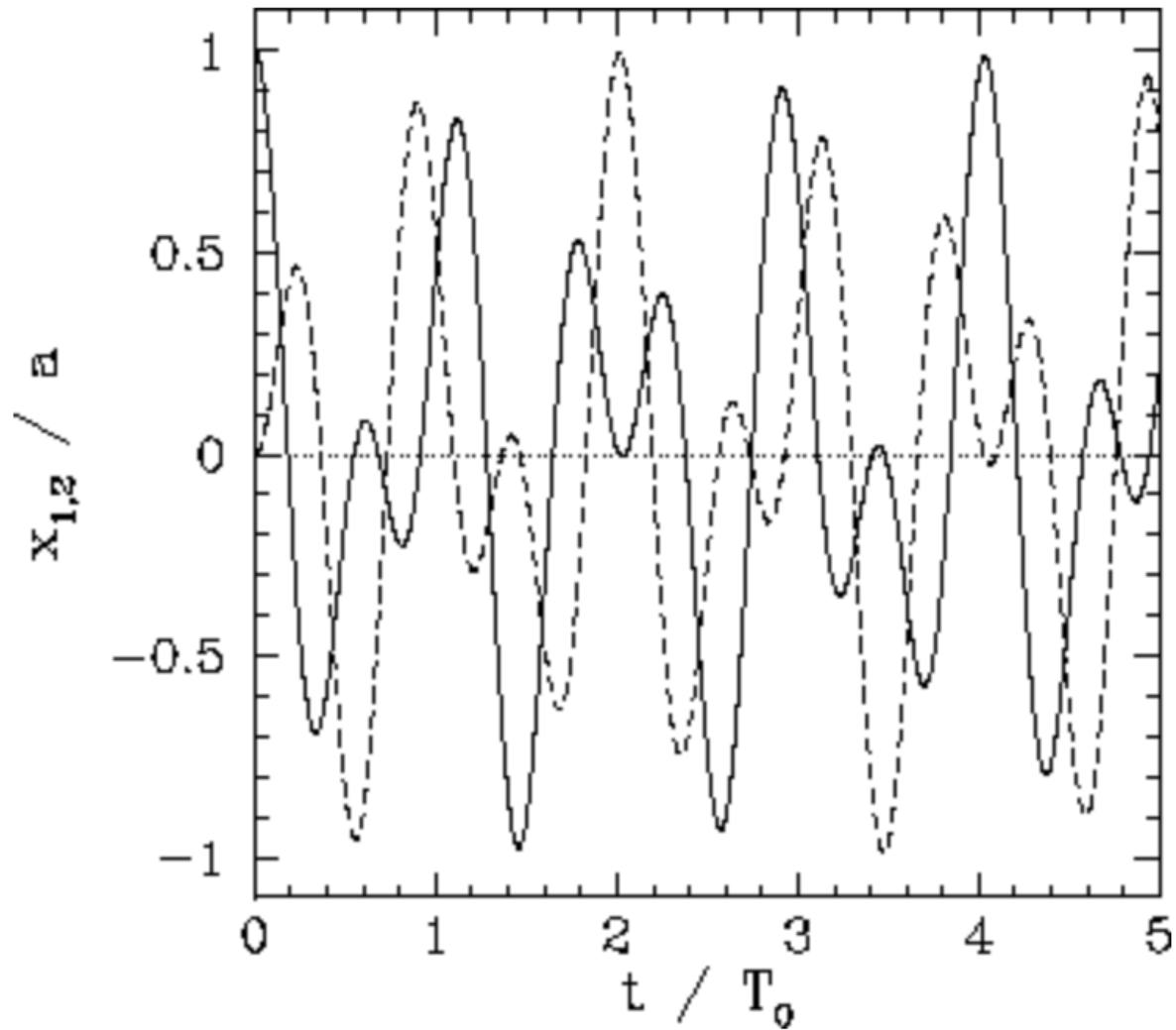


$$-\omega^2 \hat{x}_1 \cos(\omega t - \phi) = (-2\omega_0^2 \hat{x}_1 + \omega_0^2 \hat{x}_2) \cos(\omega t - \phi),$$

$$-\omega^2 \hat{x}_2 \cos(\omega t - \phi) = (\omega_0^2 \hat{x}_1 - 2\omega_0^2 \hat{x}_2) \cos(\omega t - \phi),$$



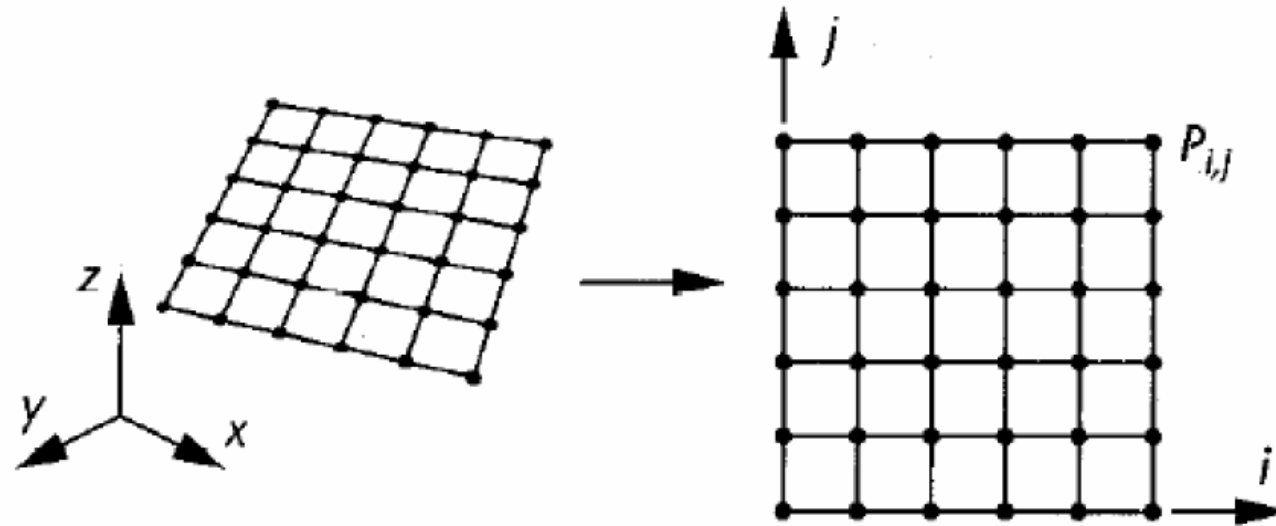
# COUPLED MASS-SPRING SYSTEM



# SIMULATING CLOTH

How to model a piece of cloth?

Set of nodes/vertices connected by springs (Hooke's Law:  $F = kx$ )



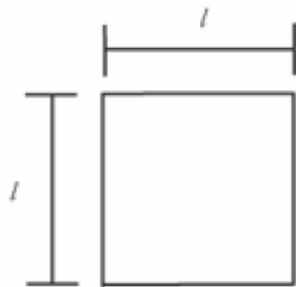
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How to model a piece of cloth?

Apply various forces to cloth/springs

Restorative forces to prevent cloth craziness

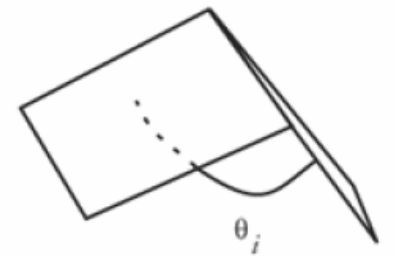
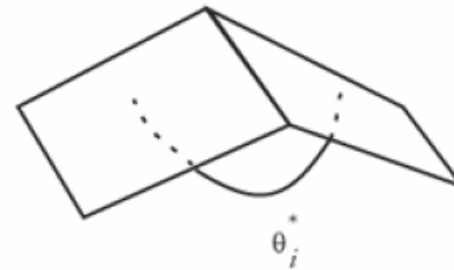
Stretch



Shear



Bending



# SIMULATING CLOTH

The math

Governing ODE:

$$\ddot{x} = M^{-1} \left( -\frac{\partial E}{\partial x} + F \right)$$

where  $M$  is mass distribution of cloth,  $E$  is cloth's internal energy, and  $F$  captures forces like air drag, contact, bending, internal damping, etc.

“Energy” idea: for a (vector) condition  $C$  we want to be zero, associate with it an energy function

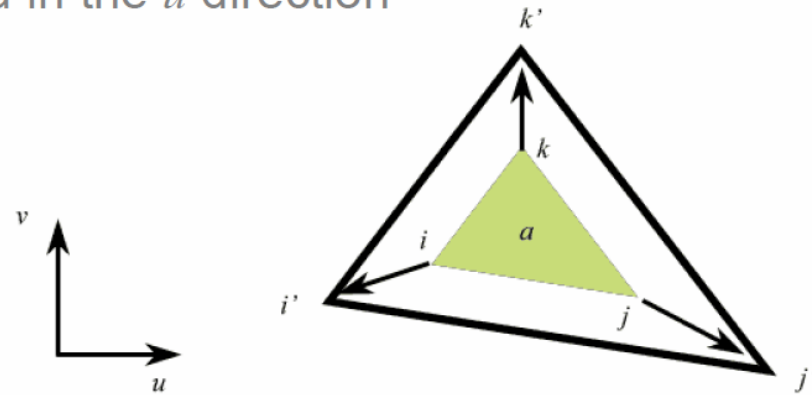
$$E_C(x) = \frac{1}{2} k C(x)^T C(x)$$

(looks like kinetic energy)

# SIMULATING CLOTH

Condition  $C(x)$  used for the stretch energy:

$$C(x) = a \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{magnitude stretched in the } u \text{ direction} \\ \left\| w_u(x) \right\| - b_u \\ \left\| w_v(x) \right\| - b_v \\ \text{magnitude stretched in the } v \text{ direction} \end{array} \right)$$



where  $a =$  triangle's area in  $uv$  coordinates

$b_u = b_v =$  rest length  $= 1$

# SIMULATING CLOTH

Implicit (Backward Euler) time integration method

- Stability means we can take large time steps

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \Delta \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = h \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_0 + \Delta \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0 + \Delta \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_0 + \Delta \mathbf{v}) \end{pmatrix}$$

(h is step size)

# SIMULATING CLOTH

Collision handling?

[Demo Video](#)



# CONCLUSIONS

Physics and computation

Particle-based and grid-based fluid simulation

Cloth simulation

Where to go from here?





# THANK YOU!

Any questions?