

How to design a flexible simulation loop

For example code see liquid or elasticity demos

Desiderata for a Typical Simulation Loop

- One wants to have
 - control of the total simulated time, $T > 0$, to run
 - control of the smallest and largest possible time step, dt_{\min} and dt_{\max} . Observe $0 < dt_{\min} \ll dt_{\max} < T$. Setting these are convenient for ensuring upper and lower bounds on the computing time.
 - control of the frame rate, fps , of any images generated to be able to produce movie playback running in simulated time. Observe that $T > dt_{\max} \geq 1/fps \geq dt_{\min}$.
- Hence, T , dt_{\min} , dt_{\max} and fps are user input parameters to be set/read from for instance a config file.