

# HPP Assignment 3: Simulating the gravitational N-body problem

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## Abstract

In this report a simulation of free moving particles is carried out using the N-body problem formulation and the symplectic Euler method. The problem as well as the implementation and serial optimization in C code is described. The assignment was carried out at Uppsala university as a part of the course High Performance Programming.

## 1 The Problem

In this assignment the N-body problem of multiple particles was to be simulated. The N-body problem is a set of equations governing the movement and interactions between free moving bodies in an empty space. These equations are infeasible to solve by hand as the complexity grows exponentially with the amount of interacting bodies. Using computer simulations though this is a much more feasible task.

The equations used in this assignment are:

$$F_i = -Gm_i \sum_{j=0, i \neq j}^{N-1} \frac{m_j}{(r_{ij} + \epsilon_0)} \mathbf{r}_{ij} \quad (1)$$

Where  $G$  is a gravitational constant,  $m_j, m_i$  are individual particle masses  $r_{ij}$  is the distance between particles,  $\epsilon_0$ <sup>1</sup> is a small constant and  $\mathbf{r}_{ij}$  is:<sup>2</sup>

$$\mathbf{r}_{ij} = (x_i - x_j)\mathbf{e}_x + (y_i - y_j)\mathbf{e}_y \quad (2)$$

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<sup>1</sup> $\epsilon_0$  is used to counteract instabilities in the simulation and put a theoretical cap on calculated forces

<sup>2</sup> $G$  is set to  $\frac{100}{N}$ ,  $\epsilon_0$  is set to  $10^{-3}$  and  $\Delta t$  is set to  $10^{-5}$

The computer calculations are then simulated using the *SymplecticEuler* formula for updating:

$$a_i^n = \frac{F_i^n}{m_i} \quad (3)$$

$$u_i^{n+1} = u_i^n + \Delta t a_i^n \quad (4)$$

$$x_i^{n+1} = x_i^n + \Delta t u_i^{n+1} \quad (5)$$

Where  $\Delta t$  is the step size  $a$  is acceleration  $u$  is velocity and  $x$  is position. The complexity of computing the forces on all  $N$  particles grows exponentially with complexity  $O(n^2)$ .

The code implemented to solve this problem is written in C, called galsim.c and is compiled to be named galsim. Using given input data, in binary form, as well as reference output data for specific step- numbers and sizes the code could be implemented.

The form of the input data is six floating point numbers of type double for every particle. The six numbers represent:

1. Position in x plane
2. Position in y plane
3. Particle mass
4. Velocity in x plane
5. Velocity in y plane
6. Brightness

Brightness is not used in any of the calculations but has to be preserved for all the particles throughout the simulations. The simulation takes place in a 1 X 1 dimension (The x and y plane) with a maximum value of 1 and a minimum value of 0.

## 2 The solution

The code used to simulate the N-body problem is appended in appendix A. The code takes five input variables:

1. An integer number  $N$ , for the amount of particles simulated

2. A string of the name of the infile used to read input values. (Has to be in directory `./input_data/`)
3. An integer number `stp`, for the amount of time steps to simulate.
4. A double float number for the size of the time step.
5. A 1 or 0 signifying to turn graphics on or of.

Example: `./galsim 3000 ./input_data/ellipse_N_03000.gal 100 0.00001 0`

The code have two main parts. One part for function and variable definitions and one *main()* function for executing the code.

The first part initializes all variables used in the code. Defines a structure called *particle* which stores the six double float numbers mentioned in section 1 as well as a structure *fx* which stores two double float numbers that will be used later to store forces in x and y directions. [1] The code then defines two functions with function handles *force\_calc* and *pos\_update*.

*force\_calc* takes two particle structures as input variables, calculates the forces on the first particle caused by the second, and outputs the forces in x and y directions in a *fx* structure defined above.

*pos\_update* takes a pointer to a particle structure and two double float numbers as input values. The two numbers represent the force on the particle and using those numbers the function calculates the acceleration, new velocity and new position of the particle and updates these values using the pointer to particle structure.

The *main()* function in the program takes five (Six if counting the `./galsim`) input variables and only runs if this is true. If not an error message is written out in the command prompt and the user is to try again. Using the double pointer `char**argv` as input values to main the input variables can be scanned from stdin and used in the program. Using `argv[1]` through `argv[5]` the input values `N`, `infile` (Infile string), `stp` (Amount of timesteps), `delta` (Timestep size) and `graph` (Toggle graphics) are all given values.

The program then opens and reads the input file to particles structures, using `FILE` `fopen` and `fread` in a for loop that is `N` times long. The particles structures get initialized as `Particles[0 through N-1]` in a function called *read1*.

Two arrays of `N` pointers to double numbers are then initialized using `malloc` called `*accx` and `*accy`. Two double float numbers `sumx` and `sumy` are also initialized as well as a *fx* struct called *ftot*. [2] Three nested for loops are now used to

calculate the forces on each particle. The first loop calculates and sums the forces of all  $j \neq i$  particles on particle  $i$  using *force\_calc*. The second loop repeats the first loop for every particle  $i$  and stores the summations in the  $i$ :th value of the arrays *\*accx* and *\*accy*. The third loop uses the calculated forces to update the positions of all particles using *pos\_update* and repeats the cycle for *stp* times (The amount of time steps).

The final values of the particles structure are then written to a binary file called *results.gal* using *FILE*, *fopen*, and *fwrite* defined in a function called *write1*.

Lastly the arrays *accx* and *accy* are freed together with the *particles* structure.

A visual representation of the first algorithm *galsim*:

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**Algorithm 1** *Non optimized Galsim*

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```

for n steps do
  for i is [1-N] do
    for j is [1-N] do
      if i != j then
        force_calc(particle[i], particle[j])
      end if
    end for
  end for

  for i is [1-N] do
    pos_update(particle[i], Fx[i], Fy[i])
  end for
end for

```

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## 2.1 Possible improvements

The force of particle  $i$  on  $j$  is equal to the negative force of  $j$  on  $i$ . Using this at least half of the calculations can be inferred from previous calculations. This would require some form of  $N * N$  long array to store the forces for all of the individual calculations.

*pos\_update()* could use a pointer to iterate over and update all particle positions with one function call.

*force\_calc* can be implemented to take one particle and return the sum of force from the other particles, might be beneficial depending on implementation because of the reduced amount of required function calls. Taking this even further

*force\_calc()* could be implemented to only require one function call per time-step.

This would simplify the algorithm to:

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**Algorithm 2** *Serially optimized Galsim*

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```
for n steps do  
    force_calc(particles)  
    pos_update(particles, Fx, Fy)  
end for
```

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Which would greatly decrease the number of function calls. I am also aiming to reduce the amount of calculations done by *force\_calc()* as well as optimizing by reducing multiplication and division where not necessary.

## 2.2 Optimization

Above there are two main ideas for optimization mentioned. These were carried out in two steps and will be referenced in the two different code files, *galsim* (original), *galsimCallOpt* (Reduced function calls), *galsimopt* (Reduced function calls and reduced calculations). All of my code is appended in Appendix A. For *galsimCallOpt* the functions *force\_calc* and *pos\_update* was written to take all particles as input and give the result for that time step iteration in one call. Looking something like:

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**Algorithm 3** *force\_calc* in *galsimCallOpt*

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```
for i in [1-N] do  
    sum = 0; (Reset forces for every particle i)  
    for j in [1-N] do  
        if i != j then  
            Calculate distance(i, j)  
            Calculate force(i, j)  
            sum = sum + force(i, j)  
        end if  
    end for  
    Save total forces on i in a vector  
end for
```

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For *galsimopt* the *force\_calc* function was optimized to reduce the force calculations in every iteration. This was done by initializing two N long arrays called *ftotx* and *ftoty*, utilizing the fact that the force of particle *i* on *j* is equal to the negative

force of particle  $j$  on  $i$  in that iteration. Important here is that *force\_calc* now only sums the forces in the x and y plane and does no extra division calls to calculate the acceleration. This is done in the first step of *pos\_update* to ensure only one division (by the particle mass to get the acceleration) is needed for every iteration. The algorithm for *galsimopt*:

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**Algorithm 4** *force\_calc* in *galsimopt*

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```

for i in [1-N] do
  for j in [i-N] do
    (Notice how j goes from i to N)
    if i != j then
      Calculate distance(i, j)
      Calculate force(i, j)
      Add force(i, j) at point [i] in ftotx
      Add -force(i, j) at point [j] in ftoty
    end if
  end for
end for

```

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### 3 Performance and discussion

The *galsim* code runs with no leaks in valgrind and clears check\_A3 on arrhenius.it.uu.se.

The time complexity of the code should work out to be Big O ( $N^2$ ). The calculations in the code are done  $N$  times for the  $N$  particles and repeated  $n$  times for the amount of time steps.  $n$  is linear or non-changing and will not be significant on large scales. A simple complexity calculation then gives:

$n \times N$  (Position updates) +  $N \times N$  (Force calculations)  $\Rightarrow n \times N + N^2 \Rightarrow$  (at large  $N$ )  $\Rightarrow N^2 \Rightarrow$  Big O( $N^2$ ). Figure 1 shows this to be true.

Regarding execution time, table 1, 2 and 3 shows that the performed optimizations have a real impact on code execution time. *galsimopt* is clearly faster for all optimization flags. Worth noting though is that the difference in performance for the -Ofast flag is lesser than the performance gain for the other optimization flags. This could very well be because of the fact that a lot of the possible "manual" code optimizations are already taken into account when using the -Ofast flag, especially inefficiency in loop construction and/or making too many calls to a function etc. What I believe is causing the slight speedup in the optimized -Ofast column is the reduction in multiplication calls, which are slower than addition calls.

When not using the -Ofast flag, the speedup is significant. When optimizing I made the claim that the optimization would reduce the calculations needed by a factor of 2. The non -Ofast-flags are in some cases almost two times faster than the non optimized code which points to my optimization being somewhat successful.

## 4 Results

Results from running galsim:

```
time ./galsim 3000 ./input_data/ellipse_N_03000.gal 100 0.00001 0
```

Flag	Real	User	Sys
None	1m52.266s	1m52.261s	0m0.003s
O1	1m48.069s	1m48.066s	0m0.003s
O2	1m45.648s	1m45.617s	0m0.004s
O3	1m39.819s	1m39.810s	0m0.003s
Ofast	0m4.080s	0m4.079s	0m0.001s

Table 1: Time for running galsim with different optimization flags.

Results from running galsimCallOpt:

```
time ./galsimCallOpt 3000 ./input_data/ellipse_N_03000.gal 100 0.00001 0
```

Flag	Real	User	Sys
None	1m50.841s	1m50.826s	0m0.006s
O1	1m39.922s	1m39.912s	0m0.009s
O2	1m45.264s	1m45.249s	0m0.0012s
O3	1m41.653s	1m41.632s	0m0.006s
Ofast	0m3.960s	0m3.956s	0m0.003s

Table 2: Time for running galsimCallOpt with different optimization flags.

Results from running galsimopt:

```
time ./galsimopt 3000 ./input_data/ellipse_N_03000.gal 100 0.00001 0
```

Flag	Real	User	Sys
None	1m9.526s	1m9.520s	0m0.003s
O1	0m54.781s	0m54.773s	0m0.004.s
O2	0m49.888s	0m49.885s	0m0.001s
O3	0m49.568s	0m49.566s	0m001.s
Ofast	0m3.884s	0m3.881s	0m0.003s

Table 3: Time for running galsimopt with different optimization flags.

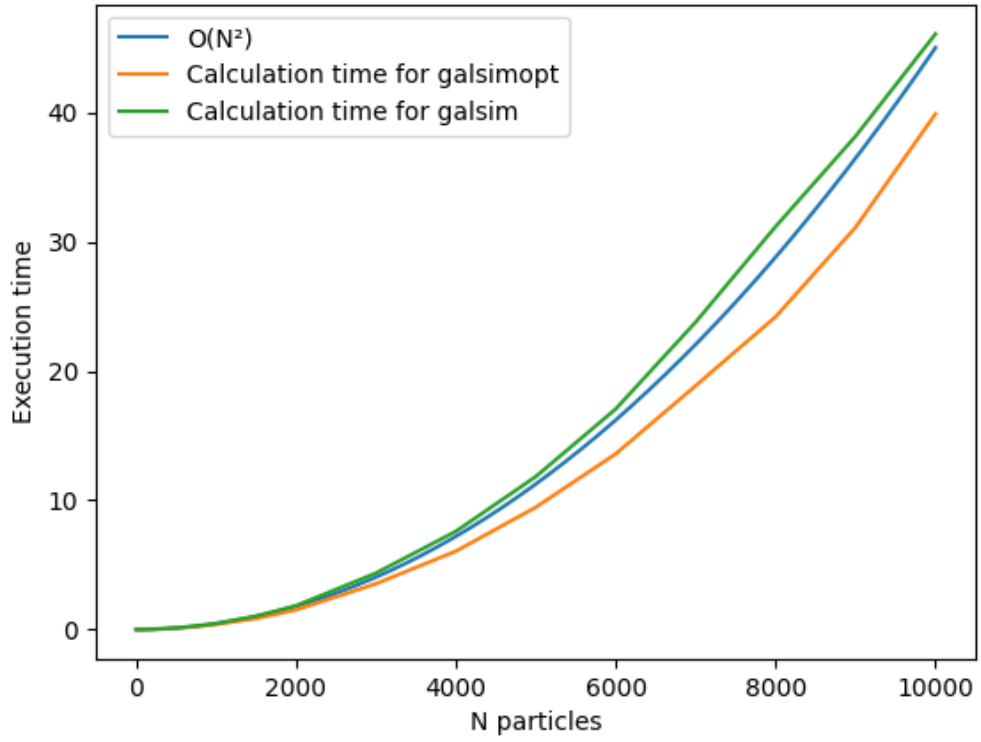


Figure 1: Plot of execution time vs N particles with -Ofast flag



I appendix listas en del program och större matriser som inte tillhör löpande text.

## A Code

### galsim.c

```
1 #include "graphics.h"
2 #include <math.h>
3 #include <stdio.h>
4 #include <stdlib.h>
5 #include <string.h>
6
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10
11 /* Simulate galaxies */
12 /* Sources: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/46615620/c-
13    structures-initializing-using-for-loop, */
14
15 int N;
16 char * infile;
17 int stp;
18 float delta;
19 int graph;
20 int quit;
21 double G;
22 double epsil = 1.0/1000.0;
23 const float circleRadius=0.0025, circleColor=0;
24 const int windowHeight=1500;
25 float L=1, W=1;
26
27
28 typedef struct part{ /*Define class*/
29     double Posx, Posy, Mass, Velx, Vely, Bright;
30 }particle;
31
32 typedef struct fxy{
33     double fx, fy;
34 }f;
35
36
37
38
39
40 f force_calc(struct part particlesi, struct part particlesj){
41     /*Takes two particles as input and returns the force
```

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in x and y direction*/
41 struct fxy f;
42 double Fx;
43 double Fy;
44 double distx = particlesi.Posx -particlesj.Posx;
45 double disty = particlesi.Posy -particlesj.Posy;
46 double rad = sqrt(distx*distx + disty*disty);
    /*Radius*/
47
48 /*printf("Rad %f\n", rad);
49 printf("Disty %f\n", disty);*/
50 /*printf("Pow %f\n", pow((rad+epsil),3));
51 printf("Pow %f\n", (rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil));*/
52 Fx = -G*particlesi.Mass * particlesj.Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3)
    * distx;
53 Fy = -G*particlesi.Mass * particlesj.Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3)
    * disty;
54
55 f.fx = Fx;
56 f.fy = Fy;
57 /*printf("Force calc\nFx = %f Fy = %f\n", f.fx, f.fy);*/
58 return(f);
59 }
60
61
62 void pos_update(struct part *particles, double ax, double ay){
    /*Takes pointer to particle and updates its
    position given acceleration in x and y plane*/
63 particles->Velx = particles->Velx + delta*ax;
64 particles->Vely = particles->Vely + delta*ay;
65 /*printf("Vx = %f Vy = %f\n", particles->Velx, particles->
    Vely);*/
66
67 double px = particles->Posx + delta*particles->Velx;
68 double py = particles->Posy + delta*particles->Vely;
    /*If particles fly out they get put on the edge of the 1
    x 1 box*/
69 if (px >= 1){
70     particles->Posx = 1;
71 }
72 else if(px <= 0){
73     particles->Posx = 0;
74 }
75 else{
76     particles->Posx = px;
77 }
78
79 if (py >= 1){
80     particles->Posy = 1;

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```

81     }
82     else if(py <= 0){
83         particles->Posy = 0;
84     }
85     else{
86         particles->Posy = py;
87     }
88     /*printf("Posupdate\nPosx = %f Posy = %f\n", particles->Posx
89     , particles->Posy);*/
90 }
91
92 void read1(char *infile , particle *particles){
93     FILE *file;
94     file = fopen(infile , "rb");
95     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
96         fread(&particles[i].Posx, sizeof(double), 1, file);
97         fread(&particles[i].Posy, sizeof(double), 1, file);
98         fread(&particles[i].Mass, sizeof(double), 1, file);
99         fread(&particles[i].Velx, sizeof(double), 1, file);
100        fread(&particles[i].Vely, sizeof(double), 1, file);
101        fread(&particles[i].Bright, sizeof(double), 1, file);
102    }
103    fclose(file);
104 }
105
106 void writel(particle *particles){
107     FILE *outfile;
108     outfile = fopen("result.gal", "wb");
109     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
110         fwrite(&particles[i].Posx, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
111         fwrite(&particles[i].Posy, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
112         fwrite(&particles[i].Mass, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
113         fwrite(&particles[i].Velx, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
114         fwrite(&particles[i].Vely, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
115         fwrite(&particles[i].Bright, sizeof(double), 1, outfile)
116     };
117     fclose(outfile);
118 }
119
120
121
122 void graphics(particle *particles , float L, float W, float
123 circleRadius , float circleColor){
124     ClearScreen();
125     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
126         DrawCircle(particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, L, W,
127 circleRadius , circleColor);

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126     }
127     Refresh();
128     usleep(3000);
129 }
130
131
132
133
134 int main(int argc, char** argv){
135     if (6 != argc){
136         printf("Needs five input variables!\n");
137     }
138     else{
139         N = atoi(argv[1]);
140         char * infile = argv[2];
141         stp = atoi(argv[3]);
142         delta = atof(argv[4]);
143         graph = atoi(argv[5]);
144         G = 100.0/N;
145
146         printf("\n\nN = %d\n", N);
147         printf("Input file = %s\n", infile);
148         printf("Number of timesteps = %d\n", stp);
149         printf("Timestep = %f\n", delta);
150         printf("Graphics = %d\n\n", graph);
151
152
153         particle *particles = NULL;
154         particles = calloc(N, sizeof(particle));
155
156         read1(infile, particles);
157
158
159         /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
160             printf("Start\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass %f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n", i+1, particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Mass, particles[i].Velx, particles[i].Vely, particles[i].Bright);
161         }*/
162
163
164
165         /*initialize acc som pointer pointer i,j? https://www.tutorialspoint.com/how-to-dynamically-allocate-a-2d-array-in-c*/
166         double *accx = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
167         /*Malloc memory for N size array ix */
168         double *accy = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
169         /*Malloc memory for N size array iy */

```

```

168         double sumx, sumy;
169         struct fxy ftot;
170
171
172
173         /*struct fxy a;
174         struct fxy b;
175         a = force_calc(particles[2], particles[0]);*/
176         /*Test specific particles*/
177         b = force_calc(particles[2], particles[1]);
178         printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", 1, a.fx, a.
fy);
179         printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n\n", 1, b.fx,
b.fy);*/
180
181         if (graph == 1){
182             InitializeGraphics(argv[0], windowWidth, windowWidth);
183             SetCAxes(0,1);
184             printf("Hit q to quit.\n");
185         }
186
187         for (int n = 0; n < stp; n++){
188             for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
189                 sumx = 0;
190                 sumy = 0;
191                 for (int j = 0; j < N; j++){
192                     if (i != j){
193                         ftot = force_calc(particles[i],
particles[j]);
194                         /*Force calc to get force in x
and y direction for particle i*/ /*If for a matrix: (*arr is
first value, *arr+i*N is ith column(or row idk), *arr+i*N+j
is jth element of ith row*/
195                         sumx = sumx + ftot.fx;
196                         sumy = sumy + ftot.fy;
197                     }
198                 }
199                 /*printf("Sum of x forces %f Sum of y forces %f\n
n\n", sumx, sumy);*/
200                 *(accx + i) = sumx/particles[i].Mass;
201                 /*sum accelerations in every
column*/
202                 *(accy + i) = sumy/particles[i].Mass;
203             }
204             /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
205                 printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", i,
accx[i]*particles[i].Mass, accy[i]*particles[i].Mass);
206             }*/

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206         /* step all particles*/
207         for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
208             /*printf(" Before pos update particle %d\n Posx %f
                Posy %f\n Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i,
                particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Velx,
                particles[i].Vely, accix[i], acciy[i]);*/
209             pos_update(&particles[i], accx[i], accy[i]);
210             if (graph == 1 && quit != 1){
211                 graphics(particles, L, W, circleRadius,
                circleColor);
212                 quit = CheckForQuit();
213                 if (quit == 1){
214                     FlushDisplay();
215                     CloseDisplay();
216                 }
217             }
218
219             /*printf(" After pos update particle %d\n Posx %f
                Posy %f\n Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i,
                particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Velx,
                particles[i].Vely, accix[i], acciy[i]);*/
220         }
221     }
222
223
224
225     writel(particles);
226
227
228
229     /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
230         printf(" Finish\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass
                %f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n", i+1, particles[i].
                Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Mass, particles[i].Velx,
                particles[i].Vely, particles[i].Bright);
231     }*/
232
233
234     free(accx);
235     free(acy);
236     free(particles);
237 }
238 return(0);
239 }

```

### galsimCallOpt.c

```

1 #include "graphics.h"
2 #include <math.h>
3 #include <stdio.h>

```

```

4  #include <stdlib.h>
5  #include <string.h>
6
7
8
9
10
11 /* Simulate galaxies */
12 /* Sources: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/46615620/c-
    structures-initializing-using-for-loop, */
13
14 /*Main*/
15 int N;
16 char * infile;
17 int stp;
18 float delta;
19 int graph;
20 int quit;
21 double G;
22
23 typedef struct part{ /*Define class*/
24     double Posx, Posy, Mass, Velx, Vely, Bright;
25 }particle;
26
27
28 /*Graph*/
29 const double epsil = 1.0/1000.0;
30 const float circleRadius=0.0025, circleColor=0;
31 const int windowHeight=1500;
32 float L=1, W=1;
33
34 /*Force calc*/
35 typedef struct fxy{
36     double fx, fy;
37 }F;
38
39 struct fxy f;
40 double Fx;
41 double Fy;
42 double distx;
43 double disty;
44 double rad;
45 double sumx, sumy;
46 struct fxy ftot;
47
48 /*Pos update*/
49 double x, y, Vx, Vy, px, py;
50
51

```

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53
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55
56
57
58
59 void force_calc(struct part *particles, double *ax, double *ay){
    /*Takes two particles as input and returns the
    force in x and y direction*/
60
61
62     /*printf("Rad %f\n", rad);
63     printf("Disty %f\n", disty);*/
64     /*printf("Pow %f\n", pow((rad+epsil),3));
65     printf("Pow %f\n", (rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil));*/
66     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
67         sumx = 0;
68         sumy = 0;
69         for (int j = 0; j < N; j++){
70             if (i != j){
71                 distx = (particles + i)->Posx -(particles + j)->
Posx;
for i, j*/
72                 disty = (particles + i)->Posy -(particles + j)->
Posy;
73                 rad = sqrt(distx*distx + disty*disty);
74                 Fx = -G*(particles + i)->Mass * (particles + j)
->Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3) * distx;
75                 Fy = -G*(particles + i)->Mass * (particles + j)
->Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3) * disty;
76                                     /*Make Fx and Fy into 2D
-matrix sum later*/
77                 sumx = sumx + Fx;
                                     /*Add forces to the
total force on i*/
78                 sumy = sumy + Fy;
79             }
80         }
81         *(ax + i) = sumx/(particles + i)->Mass;
                                     /*Total x-force from
every particle on i gives its acceleration, stored in accx*/
82         *(ay + i) = sumy/(particles + i)->Mass;
                                     /*Total Y-force from
every particle on i gives its acceleration, stored in accy*/
83     }
84     /*printf("Force calc\nFx = %f Fy = %f\n", f.fx, f.fy);*/
85 }
86

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87
88 void pos_update(struct part *particles , double *ax, double *ay){
      /*Takes pointer to particle and updates its
      position given acceleration in x and y plane*/
89   for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
90       x = *(ax + i);
91       y = *(ay + i);
92       Vx = (particles + i)->Velx;
93       Vy = (particles + i)->Vely;
94
95       particles[i].Velx = Vx + delta*x;
96       particles[i].Vely = Vy + delta*y;
97
98
99       px = (particles + i)->Posx + delta*Vx;
100      py = (particles + i)->Posy + delta*Vy;          /* If
particles fly out they get put on the edge of the 1 x 1 box*/
101      if (px >= 1){
102          particles[i].Posx = 1;
103      }
104      else if(px <= 0){
105          particles[i].Posx = 0;
106      }
107      else{
108          particles[i].Posx = px;
109      }
110
111      if (py >= 1){
112          particles[i].Posy = 1;
113      }
114      else if(py <= 0){
115          particles[i].Posy = 0;
116      }
117      else{
118          particles[i].Posy = py;
119      }
120      /*printf("Posupdate\nPosx = %f Posy = %f\n", particles->
Posx, particles->Posy);*/
121  }
122 }
123
124
125 void read1(char *infile , particle *particles){
126     FILE *file;
127     file = fopen(infile , "rb");
128     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
129         fread(&particles[i].Posx , sizeof(double) , 1, file);
130         fread(&particles[i].Posy , sizeof(double) , 1, file);
131         fread(&particles[i].Mass , sizeof(double) , 1, file);

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132         fread(&particles[i].Velx, sizeof(double), 1, file);
133         fread(&particles[i].Vely, sizeof(double), 1, file);
134         fread(&particles[i].Bright, sizeof(double), 1, file);
135     }
136     fclose(file);
137 }
138
139 void writel(particle *particles){
140     FILE *outfile;
141     outfile = fopen("result.gal", "wb");
142     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
143         fwrite(&particles[i].Posx, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
144         fwrite(&particles[i].Posy, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
145         fwrite(&particles[i].Mass, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
146         fwrite(&particles[i].Velx, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
147         fwrite(&particles[i].Vely, sizeof(double), 1, outfile);
148         fwrite(&particles[i].Bright, sizeof(double), 1, outfile)
149     };
150     fclose(outfile);
151 }
152
153
154
155 void graphics(particle *particles, float L, float W, float
circleRadius, float circleColor){
156     ClearScreen();
157     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
158         DrawCircle(particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, L, W,
circleRadius, circleColor);
159     }
160     Refresh();
161     usleep(3000);
162 }
163
164
165
166
167 int main(int argc, char** argv){
168     if (6 != argc){
169         printf("Needs five input variables!\n");
170     }
171     else{
172         N = atoi(argv[1]);
173         char *infile = argv[2];
174         stp = atoi(argv[3]);
175         delta = atof(argv[4]);
176         graph = atoi(argv[5]);
177         G = 100.0/N;

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178
179     printf("\n\nN = %d\n", N);
180     printf("Input file = %s\n", infile);
181     printf("Number of timesteps = %d\n", stp);
182     printf("Timestep = %f\n", delta);
183     printf("Graphics = %d\n\n", graph);
184
185
186     particle *particles = NULL;
187     particles = calloc(N, sizeof(particle));
188
189     read1(infile, particles);
190
191
192     /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
193         printf(" Start\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass %f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n", i+1, particles[i].Posx,
194             particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Mass, particles[i].Velx,
195             particles[i].Vely, particles[i].Bright);
196     }*/
197
198     /*initialize acc som pointer pointer i,j?      https://
199     www.tutorialspoint.com/how-to-dynamically-allocate-a-2d-array
200     -in-c*/
201     double *accx = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
202     /*Malloc memory for N size array ix */
203     double *accy = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
204     /*Malloc memory for N size array iy */
205
206
207     /*struct fxy a;
208     struct fxy b;
209     a = force_calc(particles[2], particles[0]);*/
210     /*Test specific particles*/
211     b = force_calc(particles[2], particles[1]);
212     printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", 1, a.fx, a.fy);
213     printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n\n", 1, b.fx, b.fy);*/
214
215     if (graph == 1){
216         InitializeGraphics(argv[0], windowWidth, windowHeight);
217         SetCAxes(0,1);
218         printf("Hit q to quit.\n");
219     }

```

```

217
218
219
220         for (int n = 0; n < stp; n++){
221             force_calc(particles , accx , accy);          /*
Force calc to get force in x and y direction for particle i*/
/*If for a matrix: (*arr is first value, *arr+i*N is ith
column(or row idk), *arr+i*N+j is jth element of ith row*/
222
223
224
225             /* printf("Sum of x forces %f Sum of y forces %f\n\n",
sumx , sumy);*/
226
227             /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
228
229                 printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", i , accx[i]*
particles[i].Mass , accy[i]*particles[i].Mass);
230
231             }*/
232
233             /* printf(" Before pos update particle %d\n Posx %f Posy %f\n
Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i , particles[i].Posx ,
particles[i].Posy , particles[i].Velx , particles[i].Vely ,
accx[i] , accy[i]);*/
234             /* step all particles*/
235             pos_update(particles , accx , accy);
236
237             /*Update graphics*/
238             if (graph == 1 && quit != 1){
239                 graphics(particles , L, W, circleRadius ,
circleColor);
240                 quit = CheckForQuit();
241                 if (quit == 1){
242                     FlushDisplay();
243                     CloseDisplay();
244                 }
245             }
246             /* printf(" After pos update particle %d\n Posx %f
Posy %f\n Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i ,
particles[i].Posx , particles[i].Posy , particles[i].Velx ,
particles[i].Vely , accx[i] , accy[i]);*/
247         }
248
249         write1(particles);

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249
250         /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
251             printf(" Finish\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass
                %f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n", i+1, particles[i].
                Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Mass, particles[i].Velx,
                particles[i].Vely, particles[i].Bright);
252         }*/
253
254
255         free(accx);
256         free(acy);
257         free(particles);
258     }
259     return(0);
260 }

```

### **galsimopt.c**

```

1  #include "graphics.h"
2  #include <math.h>
3  #include <stdio.h>
4  #include <stdlib.h>
5  #include <string.h>
6
7
8
9
10
11 /* Simulate galaxies */
12 /* Sources: https://stackoverflow.com/questions/46615620/c-
    structures-initializing-using-for-loop, */
13
14 /*Main*/
15 int N;
16 char * infile;
17 int stp;
18 float delta;
19 int graph;
20 int quit;
21 double G;
22
23 typedef struct part{ /*Define class*/
24     double Posx, Posy, Mass, Velx, Vely, Bright;
25 }particle;
26
27
28 /*Graph*/
29 const double epsil = 1.0/1000.0;
30 const float circleRadius=0.0025, circleColor=0;
31 const int windowWidth=1000;

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32 float L=1, W=1;
33
34 /*Force calc*/
35 typedef struct fxy{
36     double fx, fy;
37 }F;
38
39 struct fxy f;
40 double Fx;
41 double Fy;
42 double distx;
43 double disty;
44 double rad;
45 double sumx, sumy;
46 struct fxy ftot;
47
48 /*Pos update*/
49 double ax, ay, Vx, Vy, px, py;
50
51
52
53
54
55
56
57
58
59 void force_calc(struct part *particles, double *fx, double *fy){
60     /*Takes two particles as input and returns the
61     force in x and y direction*/
62
63     /* printf("Rad %f\n", rad);
64     printf("Disty %f\n", disty);*/
65     /* printf("Pow %f\n", pow((rad+epsil),3));
66     printf("Pow %f\n", (rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil)*(rad+epsil));*/
67
68     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
69         for (int j = i+1; j < N; j++){
70             if (i != j){
71                 distx = (particles + i)->Posx -(particles + j)->
72                 Posx; /*Force calculations
73                 for i, j*/
74                 disty = (particles + i)->Posy -(particles + j)->
75                 Posy;
76                 rad = sqrt(distx*distx + disty*disty);
77                 Fx = -G*(particles + i)->Mass * (particles + j)
78                 ->Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3) * distx;
79                 Fy = -G*(particles + i)->Mass * (particles + j)

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75     ->Mass/pow((rad+epsil),3) * disty;                                /*Make Fx and Fy into 2D
76     -matrix sum later*/
77         *(fx + i) += Fx;
78         *(fy + i) += Fy;
79         *(fx + j) += -Fx;
80         *(fy + j) += -Fy;
81     }
82 }
83 }
84
85
86 void pos_update(struct part *particles, double *fx, double *fy){
87     /*Takes pointer to particle and updates its
88     position given acceleration in x and y plane*/
89     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
90         ax = *(fx + i)/(particles + i)->Mass;
91         ay = *(fy + i)/(particles + i)->Mass;
92         Vx = (particles + i)->Velx;
93         Vy = (particles + i)->Vely;
94
95         particles[i].Velx = Vx + delta*ax;
96         particles[i].Vely = Vy + delta*ay;
97
98         px = (particles + i)->Posx + delta*Vx;
99         py = (particles + i)->Posy + delta*Vy;                                /* If
100         particles fly out they get put on the edge of the 1 x 1 box*/
101         if (px >= 1){
102             particles[i].Posx = 1;
103         }
104         else if(px <= 0){
105             particles[i].Posx = 0;
106         }
107         else{
108             particles[i].Posx = px;
109         }
110         if (py >= 1){
111             particles[i].Posy = 1;
112         }
113         else if(py <= 0){
114             particles[i].Posy = 0;
115         }
116         else{
117             particles[i].Posy = py;
118         }
119         *(fx + i) = 0;

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119         *(fy + i) = 0;
120         /* printf("Posupdate\nPosx = %f Posy = %f\n", particles->
Posx , particles->Posy);*/
121     }
122 }
123
124
125 void read1(char *infile , particle *particles){
126     FILE *file;
127     file = fopen(infile , "rb");
128     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
129         fread(&particles[i].Posx , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
130         fread(&particles[i].Posy , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
131         fread(&particles[i].Mass , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
132         fread(&particles[i].Velx , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
133         fread(&particles[i].Vely , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
134         fread(&particles[i].Bright , sizeof(double) , 1 , file);
135     }
136     fclose(file);
137 }
138
139 void writel(particle *particles){
140     FILE *outfile;
141     outfile = fopen("result.gal" , "wb");
142     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
143         fwrite(&particles[i].Posx , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile);
144         fwrite(&particles[i].Posy , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile);
145         fwrite(&particles[i].Mass , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile);
146         fwrite(&particles[i].Velx , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile);
147         fwrite(&particles[i].Vely , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile);
148         fwrite(&particles[i].Bright , sizeof(double) , 1 , outfile)
149     };
150     fclose(outfile);
151 }
152
153
154
155 void graphics(particle *particles , float L, float W, float
circleRadius , float circleColor){
156     ClearScreen();
157     for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
158         DrawCircle(particles[i].Posx , particles[i].Posy , L, W,
circleRadius , circleColor);
159     }
160     Refresh();
161     usleep(3000);
162 }
163

```



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164
165
166
167 int main(int argc , char** argv){
168     if (6 != argc){
169         printf("Needs five input variables!\n");
170     }
171     else{
172         N = atoi(argv[1]);
173         char * infile = argv[2];
174         stp = atoi(argv[3]);
175         delta = atof(argv[4]);
176         graph = atoi(argv[5]);
177         G = 100.0/N;
178
179         printf("\n\nN = %d\n", N);
180         printf("Input file = %s\n",infile);
181         printf("Number of timesteps = %d\n",stp);
182         printf("Timestep = %f\n",delta);
183         printf("Graphics = %d\n\n",graph);
184
185
186         particle *particles = NULL;
187         particles = calloc(N, sizeof( particle));
188
189         read1(infile , particles);
190
191
192         /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
193             printf(" Start\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass %
194             f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n",i+1,particles[i].Posx
195             , particles[i].Posy , particles[i].Mass , particles[i].Velx ,
196             particles[i].Vely , particles[i].Bright);
197         }*/
198
199         /*initialize acc som pointer pointer i,j?      https://
200         www.tutorialspoint.com/how-to-dynamically-allocate-a-2d-array
201         -in-c*/
202         double *ftotx = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
203         /*Malloc memory for N size array ax */
204         double *ftoty = (double *)malloc(N * sizeof(double));
205         /*Malloc memory for N size array ay */

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206     /*struct fxy a;
207     struct fxy b;
208     a = force_calc(particles[2], particles[0]);*/
209     /*Test specific particles*/
210     b = force_calc(particles[2], particles[1]);
211     printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", 1, a.fx, a.
fy);
212     printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n\n", 1, b.fx,
b.fy);*/
213
214     if (graph == 1){
215         InitializeGraphics(argv[0], windowWidth, windowHeight);
216         SetCAxes(0,1);
217         printf("Hit q to quit.\n");
218     }
219
220
221     for (int n = 0; n < stp; n++){
222         force_calc(particles, ftotx, ftoty);
223         /*Force calc to get force in x and y direction for particle i
224         */ /*If for a matrix: (*arr is first value, *arr+i*N is ith
225         column(or row idk), *arr+i*N+j is jth element of ith row*/
226
227         /*printf("Sum of x forces %f Sum of y forces %f\n\n",
228         sumx, sumy);*/
229
230         /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++){
231
232             printf("Force on particle %d x: %f y: %f\n", i, accx[i]*
233             particles[i].Mass, accy[i]*particles[i].Mass);
234
235             */
236
237             /*printf("Before pos update particle %d\n Posx %f Posy %f\n
238             Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i, particles[i].Posx,
239             particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Velx, particles[i].Vely,
240             accx[i], accy[i]);*/
241
242             /* step all particles*/
243             pos_update(particles, ftotx, ftoty);
244
245             /*Update Graphics*/
246             if (graph == 1 && quit != 1){
247                 graphics(particles, L, W, circleRadius,
248                 circleColor);
249                 quit = CheckForQuit();
250                 if (quit == 1){

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238         FlushDisplay ();
239         CloseDisplay ();
240     }
241 }
242     /*printf(" After pos update particle %d\n Posx %f
Posy %f\n Velx %f Vely %f\n Accx %f Accy %f\n\n", i,
particles[i].Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Velx,
particles[i].Vely, accix[i], acciy[i]);*/
243 }
244
245
246
247     write1 ( particles );
248
249
250
251     /*for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
252         printf(" Finish\nParticle %d\nPosx %f\nPosy %f\nMass
%f\nVelx %f\nVely %f\nBrightness %f\n\n", i+1, particles[i].
Posx, particles[i].Posy, particles[i].Mass, particles[i].Velx,
particles[i].Vely, particles[i].Bright);
253     }*/
254
255     free ( ftotx );
256     free ( ftoty );
257     free ( particles );
258 }
259 return (0);
260 }

```

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