

SPH Notes

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Abstract

These are my notes for Fluid Mechanics Simulation using SPH

1 Quantities

Mass is measured per transverse length in 2D.

2 Kernel

The following is how the kernel function is abstracted

$$w_h^{(k)}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) = \frac{f^k(q)}{h^{d+k}}$$

$$q = \frac{|\tilde{\mathbf{r}}|}{h}$$

$$\nabla w_h^{(k)}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) = w_h^{(k)}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}) \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{|\tilde{\mathbf{r}}|}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_{ab} = \mathbf{r}_a - \mathbf{r}_b$$

The function f here is up to choice, and determines the coefficients. I will always default to Wendland kernel, as it is the most regular one from the literature I have been reading.

$$f_{W,d}(q) = a_{W,d} \begin{cases} \left(1 - \frac{q}{2}\right)^4 (1 + 2q) & 0 \leq q \leq 2 \\ 0 & 2 < q \end{cases}$$

$$f'_{W,d}(q) = a_{W,d} \begin{cases} \left(1 - \frac{q}{2}\right)^3 (-5q) & 0 \leq q \leq 2 \\ 0 & 2 < q \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_{W,2} = \frac{7}{4\pi}$$

$$\alpha_{W,2} = \frac{21}{16\pi}$$

3 Solid Wall Particles

Walls can be made with solid particles. Paper I'm following uses twice as dense particles for the edges. The type of force used is the Lennard-Jones potential;

$$\mathbf{F}_{a,b} = \begin{cases} D \left[\left(\frac{r_0}{r_{ab}} \right)^{n_1} - \left(\frac{r_0}{r_{ab}} \right)^{n_2} \right] & r_{ab} < r_0 \\ 0 & r_0 \leq r_{ab} \end{cases}$$

Which has 4 parameters. ($n_1 = 12$, $n_2 = 4$, D , r_0)

4 Integration Scheme

In terms of numerical simulations, a symplectic scheme seems to be the best. I will usually default to the Störmer-Verlet scheme

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_a^{m+1/2} &= \mathbf{r}_a^m + \mathbf{u}_a^m \frac{\delta t}{2} \\ \mathbf{u}_a^{m+1} &= \mathbf{u}_a^m + \frac{1}{m_a} \mathbf{F}_a^{m+1/2} \delta t \\ \mathbf{r}_a^{m+1} &= \mathbf{r}_a^{m+1/2} + \mathbf{u}_a^{m+1} \frac{\delta t}{2} \end{aligned}$$

5 Interpolators

There are multiple interpolation operators, and different ones can be used. All these formulas refer to the volume; which is

$$V_a = \frac{m_a}{\rho_a}$$

Field interpolator is simple;

$$J \{A_a\} := \left\{ \sum_b V_b A_b w_{ab} \right\} \approx \{A_a\}$$

There are specific operators, gradient and divergence for tensors.

$$\mathbf{G} \{A_a\} := \left\{ \sum_b V_b A_b w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla A_a\}$$

$$D \{\mathbf{A}_a\} := \left\{ \sum_b V_b \mathbf{A}_b \cdot w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_a\}$$

5.1 Variants of Interpolation Operators

There are operations that leave the differential operators invariant, if applied on the continuous fields. New types of gradient fields can be constructed out of these.

$$\mathbf{G}_a^k \{A_i\} := \left\{ \sum_b V_b \frac{\rho_b^{2k} A_a + \rho_a^{2k} A_b}{(\rho_a \rho_b)^k} w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla A_a\}$$

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{G}}_a^k \{A_i\} := -\frac{1}{\rho_a^{2k}} \left\{ \sum_b V_b (\rho_a \rho_b)^k (A_a - A_b) w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla A_a\}$$

And the new divergence operators are;

$$D_i^k \{\mathbf{A}_a\} := \left\{ \sum_b V_b \frac{\rho_b^{2k} \mathbf{A}_a + \rho_a^{2k} \mathbf{A}_b}{(\rho_a \rho_b)^k} \cdot w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_a\}$$

$$\widetilde{D}_i^k \{\mathbf{A}_a\} := -\frac{1}{\rho_a^{2k}} \left\{ \sum_b V_b (\rho_a \rho_b)^k (\mathbf{A}_a - \mathbf{A}_b) \cdot w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} \right\} \approx \{\nabla \cdot \mathbf{A}_a\}$$

Depending on their symmetry properties, some are more appropriate for others. Do note that D^k and $-\widetilde{\mathbf{G}}^k$ are adjoint. (Likewise, \widetilde{D}^k is adjoint with $-\mathbf{G}^k$) So the tilde operator should be used along with the non-tilde variant.

5.2 Renormalization

Since particles are discrete, the kernel sum is not unity. (Especially not around boundaries)

$$\gamma_a := J_a \{1\} = \sum_b V_b w_{ab}$$

$$\gamma'_a := \frac{\partial \gamma_a}{\partial \mathbf{r}_a} = \sum_b V_b w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab} = \mathbf{G}_a \{1\}$$

We can correct for this, and define a new *renormalized* operator.

$$J_a^\gamma \{A_i\} := \frac{1}{\gamma_a} \sum_b V_b w_{ab}$$

Which is nice since $J_a^\gamma \{1\} = 1$. There are also corresponding corrected operators.

$$\mathbf{G}_a^\gamma \{A_i\} := \frac{1}{\gamma_a} (\mathbf{G}_a \{A_i\} - J_a^\gamma \{A_i\} \mathbf{G}_a \{1\})$$

$$D_a^\gamma \{\mathbf{A}_i\} := \frac{1}{\gamma_a} (D_a \{\mathbf{A}_i\} - J_a^\gamma \{\mathbf{A}_i\} D_a \{1\})$$

The k-operators lose symmetry, hence they cannot preserve flux. They are dealt with differently.

6 Weakly Compressible Scheme

Violeau's Lid-Driven Cavity Flow details the use of weakly compressible scheme. For density evolution the operator \widetilde{D}^k is used to ensure no flux between comoving points.

$$\frac{d\rho_a}{dt} = \frac{1}{\rho_a^{2k-1}} \sum_b V_b (\rho_a \rho_b) \mathbf{u}_{ab} \cdot w'_{ab} \mathbf{e}_{ab}$$

Since \widetilde{D}^k is used in the density equation, for interparticle force \mathbf{G}^k will be used

$$\mathbf{F}_{b \rightarrow a}^{int} = -\mathbf{F}_{b \rightarrow a}^{int} = -m_a m_b \frac{\rho_b^{2k} p_a + \rho_a^{2k} p_b}{(\rho_a \rho_b)^{k+1}} w_{ab}' \mathbf{e}_{ab}$$

Pressure is obtained from the Taut equation

$$p_a = \frac{\rho_0 c_0^2}{\gamma} \left[\left(\frac{\rho_a}{\rho_0} \right)^\gamma + C \right]$$

The dissipative forces are

$$\mathbf{F}_{b \rightarrow a}^{diss} = -\mathbf{F}_{a \rightarrow b}^{diss} = 2(d+2) \bar{\mu}_{ab} V_a V_b \frac{\mathbf{u}_{ab} \cdot \mathbf{e}_{ab}}{r_{ab}} w_{ab}' \mathbf{e}_{ab}$$

Obviously, the update equations become clear

$$m_a \frac{d\mathbf{u}_a}{dt} = \sum_b \left(\mathbf{F}_{b \rightarrow a}^{int} + \mathbf{F}_{b \rightarrow a}^{diss} \right) + \mathbf{F}_a^{ext}$$