

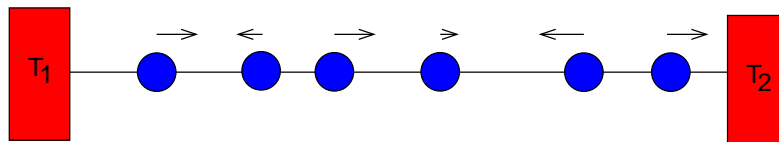
10 Event-driven Simulations

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10.1 One-dimensional chain of hard particles

Model: “Line” of n hard particles i with mass m_i , positions x_i , velocities v_i



Walls at $x = 0/x = L$ with heat baths (temperatures T_1/T_2).

Interaction of particles $i, i + 1$: ideal collision (before v_i , after v'_i)

$$\begin{aligned} v'_i &= \frac{m_i - m_{i+1}}{m_i + m_{i+1}} v_i + \frac{2m_{i+1}}{m_i + m_{i+1}} v_{i+1} \\ v'_{i+1} &= \frac{2m_i}{m_i + m_{i+1}} v_i - \frac{m_i - m_{i+1}}{m_i + m_{i+1}} v_{i+1} \end{aligned}$$

[Activator]

What happens if all particles have the same mass?

Interaction with walls :

velocities according to “Maxwell distribution” [5] .

$$P_{1/2}(v) = \theta(\pm v) \frac{mv}{T_{1/2}} \exp(-mv^2/2T_{1/2}) \quad (50)$$

[Activator]

How does one draw random numbers according to $P_{1/2}$?

Aim: investigate heat flow between baths.

10.2 Events

[Activator]

How would you simulate the model?

Think about the question for 2 minutes, then discuss with your bench neighbor.

For each particle: store position $x_i(t_i)$ at previous collision at time t_i

$$\begin{aligned} x_i(t) &= x_i(t_i) + (t - t_i)v_i \\ x_{i+1}(t) &= x_{i+1}(t_{i+1}) + (t - t_{i+1})v_{i+1} \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

At collision: $x_i(t^*) = x_{i+1}(t^*) \Rightarrow$
collision time:

$$t^* = \frac{(x_i(t_i) - t_i v_i) - (x_{i+1}(t_{i+1}) - t_{i+1} v_{i+1})}{v_{i+1} - v_i}$$

10.3 Implementation

[Activator]

Perform preliminary considerations about the program design:

Which data structures do you need?

Which fundamental functions do you have to implement?

Particles:

```
/** data structure for one particle */
typedef struct
{
    double m;                /* mass */
    double x;                /* position at last collision*/
    double t;                /* time of last collision */
    double v;                /* velocity after last collision */
} particle_t;
```

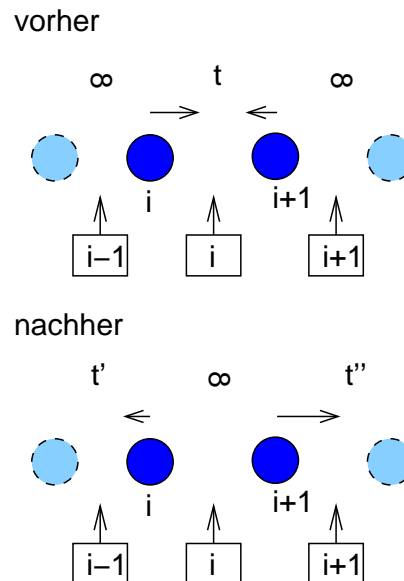
Initialisation: distribute particles uniformly between $x = 0$ and $x = L$, velocities randomly in $[-1, 1]$. Special: walls are particles 0, $n + 1$, at $x = 0$,

$X = L$ with no velocities.

Events:

Event i describes collision between particles i and $i + 1$. If no collision currently: collision time = " ∞ ".

typical situation:



```

/** event= particle p1 hits on particle */
/** p2 at time t                        */
typedef struct
{
    double    t;                        /* time of event */
} event_t;

```

(Contains so far just the collision time, will be extended later on.)

Each step, only the *next* event is treated \rightarrow one has to search all events to find the one with the smallest time (LATER: better implementation with *heap*).

Treatment of an event :

For event i the “neighboring” events $i - 1$ and $i + 1$ (special case: with walls) are recomputed, also new collision time for event $i = “\infty$.

Function `treat_event()`:

```

/***** treat_event() *****/
/** Treat event 'ev' from 'event' array: **/
/** calculate new velocities of particles ev, ev+1 **/
/** recalculate events ev-1, ev, ev+1 **/
/** PARAMETERS: (*)= return-parameter **/
/**      glob: global data **/
/**      part: data of particles **/
/**      event: array of events **/
/*      ev: id of event **/
/** RETURNS: **/
/**      nothing **/
/*****/
void treat_event(global_t *glob, particle_t *part, event_t *event, int ev)
{
    int pl, pr;          /* particles of collision */
    double vl, vr;       /* velocities of particles */

    pl = ev;
    pr = ev+1;

    part[pl].x += (event[ev].t - part[pl].t)*part[pl].v;
    part[pr].x += (event[ev].t - part[pr].t)*part[pr].v;
    part[pl].t = event[ev].t;
    part[pr].t = event[ev].t;

    if(pl==0)            /* collision w. left wall */
    {
        part[pr].v = generate_maxwell(part[pr].m, glob->T1);
        event[pl].t = glob->t_end+1;
        event[pr].t = event_time(pr, pr+1, glob, part);
    }
    else if(pr==(glob->n+1)) /* collision w. right wall */
    {
        part[pl].v = -generate_maxwell(part[pl].m, glob->T2);
        event[pl].t = glob->t_end+1;
        event[pl-1].t = event_time(pl-1, pl, glob, part);
    }
    else
    {
        vl = part[pl].v; vr = part[pr].v;
        part[pl].v = ( (part[pl].m-part[pr].m)*vl + 2*part[pr].m*vr ) /
            (part[pl].m + part[pr].m);
        part[pr].v = ( 2*part[pl].m*vl - (part[pl].m-part[pr].m)*vr ) /
            (part[pl].m + part[pr].m);
        event[pl-1].t = event_time(pl-1, pl, glob, part);
        event[pl].t = glob->t_end+1;
        event[pr].t = event_time(pr, pr+1, glob, part);
    }
}

```

Attention: possibly no event for a particle (neither collision with left nor with right neighbor), but is no problem.

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10.4 Density

Measure quantity: density as a function of position (one can also measure heat conduction etc)

Realisation: (glob.L= size of system)

```
double *density;           /* for measuring rho(x) */
int bin, num_bins;
double delta_x;

...

num_bins = 50;
delta_x = glob.L/num_bins;
density = (double *) malloc(num_bins*sizeof(double));
for(bin=0; bin<num_bins; bin++)
    density[bin] = 0;
```

Measurement (part[p]= data for particle p, glob.n= number of particles):

```
for(p=1; p<=glob.n; p++)
{
    bin = (int) floor(
        (part[p].x+(t_measure-part[p].t)*part[p].v)/
        delta_x);
    density[bin] += 1/delta_x;
}
```

Structure of main function. Plan with *Pseudocode*

```
algorithm main()
begin
    initialisation
    t =first event
    while t < tend
    begin
        measurements
        treat event
        t =next event
```

end
end

(siehe `main()` in `chain.c`)

Here: alternating masses ($m^a = 1/m^b = 2.6$)
 $n = 100$ particles, run time $t_{\text{end}} = 100$. Measurement of density after half of model time every 10 time units. Result: system not yet in steady state:

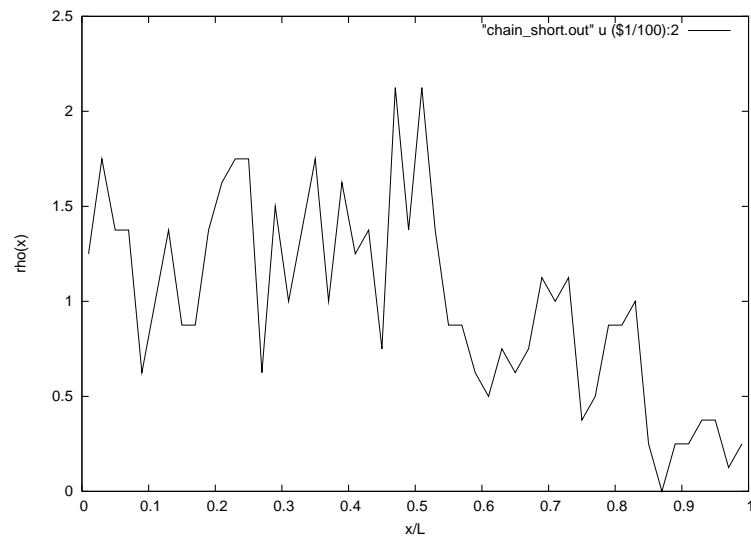


Figure 17: Average density as function of position in time interval $[50, 100]$.

$t_{\text{end}} = 10000$.

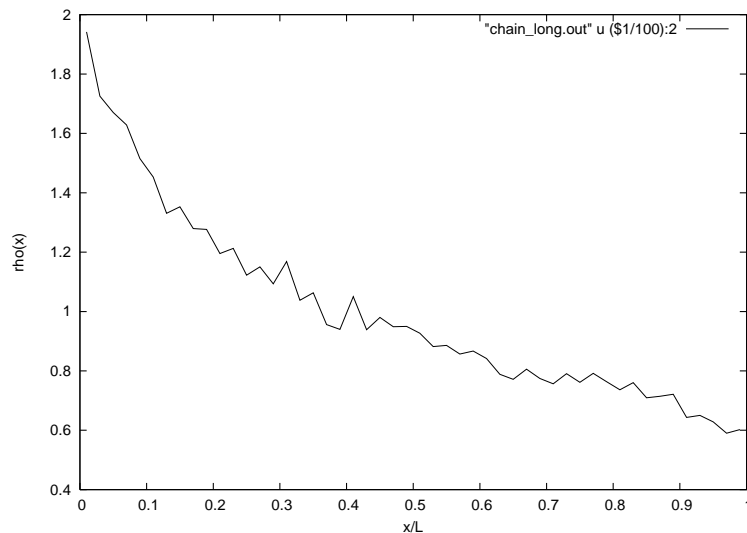


Figure 18: Average density as function of position in time interval [5000, 10000].

Density is smaller where temperature is higher. More results see A. Dahr, Phys. Rev. Lett. **86**, 3554 (2001) [5].

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10.5 Heaps

Run time of programs:

Number of collisions per time unit: $O(n)$

Search for next event: $O(n)$

$\Rightarrow O(n^2)$ = “slow”.

Improvement: $O(n \log n)$, when using heaps.

Preview:

Run time example: $n = 500, t_{\text{end}} = 10000$.

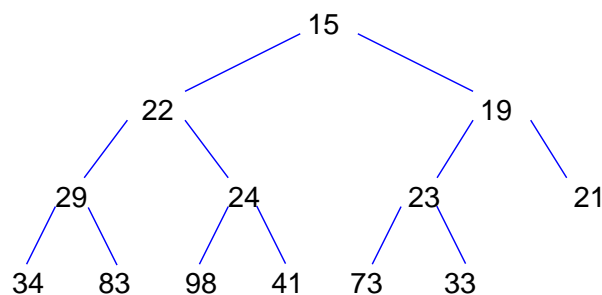
```
time chain 500 10000
```

```
21.36user 0.07system 0:21.70elapsed 98%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 0maxresident)k
0inputs+0outputs (133major+20minor)pagefaults 0swaps
```

```
time chain_heap 500 10000
7.92user 0.01system 0:08.08elapsed 98%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 0maxresident)k
0inputs+0outputs (133major+23minor)pagefaults 0swaps
```

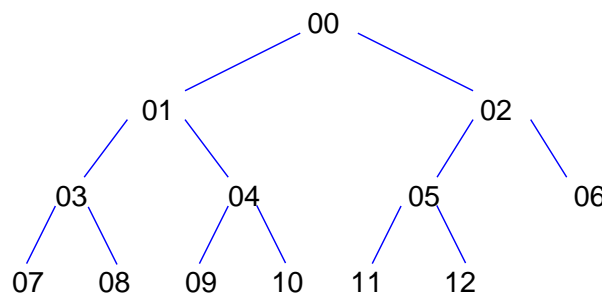
with heap \rightarrow faster program \rightarrow larger systems ($n = 16383$ vs. $n = 1281$)
 \rightarrow more reliable, DIFFERENT results (Crossover), see P. Grassberger et al.,
 Phys. Rev. Lett **89**, 180601 (2002) [6].

Heap = partially ordered tree, where for each sub tree the (here) smallest element is located at the root of the sub
 \rightarrow each element is smaller than all descendants
 Example:



Thus: the “top” root element is ALWAYS the smallest of all, e.g., the one containing the next event \rightarrow faster access ($O(1)$).

For heaps: efficient realisation as array:



node i :

predecessor: $(i - 1)/2$ (int division)

left descendant: $2i + 1$

right descendant: $2i + 2$

Basic heap operations:

Insert:

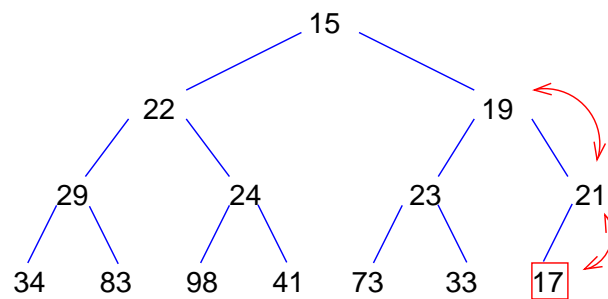

```

algorithm heap_insert()
begin
    add element at the end;
    while (element smaller than predecessor)
        exchange with predecessor;
end

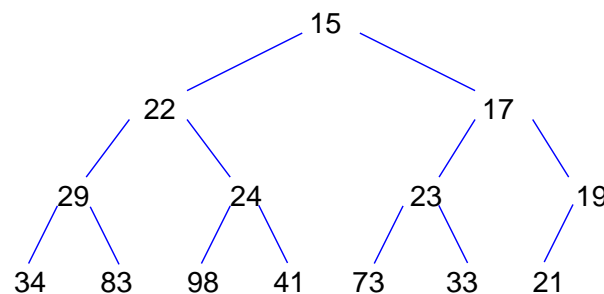
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(see `heap_insert()` in `chain_heap.c`)

Example: insert "17"



results in



At most one sweep from leaf to root
 \rightarrow time $O(\log N)$

Removal:

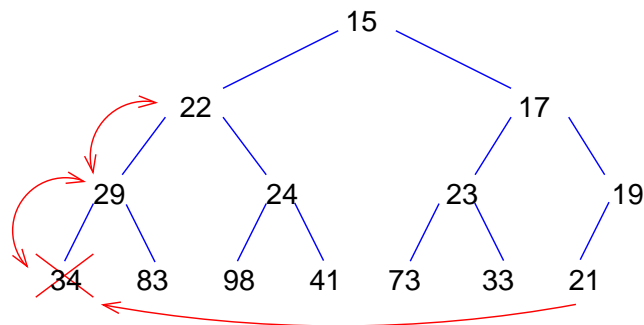
```

algorithm heap_remove()
begin
    replace element by last element;
    if (element smaller than predecessor) then
        while (element smaller than predecessor)
            exchange with predecessor;
    else
        while (element larger than a desendant)

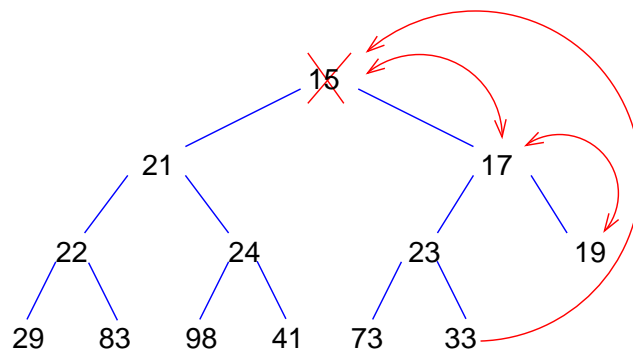
```

exchange with the smaller descendant;
end

Case A:



Case B:



→ time $O(\log N)$

Implementation hints: events are removed also from within the heap (if velocities change).

→ to make it faster, for each event its current heap position is stored in the array of events (see type `heap_elem_t` in `chain_heap.c`). This position has to be updated if an event moves inside the heap! (Without this additional storage, one would have to search the full heap to find an arbitrary element → again $O(N)$ run time).

Such “double storage ” (here `heap` → `array`, `array` → `heap`) is often needed to obtain efficient programs.

(see `heap_remove()` in `chain_cheap.c`)

Access to first element in heap: $O(1)$ (in contrast to $O(N)$ for the simple implementation).

→ total run time $O(N \log N)$.