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Lab4

Deadline: In lab on Oct 12

Requirements

In this lab, we will write a particle simulator that will show as the location of particles after a designated number of seconds. We are assuming that we are working on an XY grid that is 20 by 20. Your particles will only move within this boundary. The grid is boxed by borders. The vertices of the borders are at (-1,-1), (-1,20), (20,-1), and (20,20). You are given an input file which contains a set of (x, y) coordinates and (x,y) velocities. These coordinates are initial positions and velocities of the particles. The unit of velocity is 1 unit per second. For example, let's assume that input.txt contains the following inputs:

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>> cat input.txt
0,0,1,0
0,1,1,0
1,1,1,0
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In this case, we have 3 particles located at (0,0), (0,1), and (1,1). Their x-direction initial velocity is 1 for all particles and y-direction initial velocity is 0 for all particles. After one second, the following are their new respective coordinates: (1,0), (1,1), and (2,1).

Particles can only move in x-axis, y-axis or 45 degree angle directions. In case of 45 degree angle directions, the x and y directional velocity will have the same magnitude. A couple of example velocities are (1,1) and (1,-1).

Your program will simulate this movement and output the final position in the output file. For the above example, if we ran the simulation for 3 seconds, the final output positions will be the following: (3,0), (3,1), and (4,1).

Your output file must be a graphical position of particles with borders. Below is the sample output file for 5 by 5 grid with (3,0), (3,1), and (4,1) coordinates: >> cat output.txt

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Note that the output is shown for 5 by 5 as an exemplary purpose only. Your program must be able to print 20 by 20 grid. Your border must be marked with * symbols while your particles must be marked with + symbols.

Your particle can bound off the border and you should account for those. For particles moving in x and y directions, the bounding just reverses the direction while keeping the

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same magnitude of the velocity. For example, (1,0) with -1 x-direction velocity will be at (0,0) after one second, (1,0) after two seconds, and (2,0) after three seconds.

For those traveling at 45 degree angle, the bounding will reflect the angle. Here is a particle with (1,1) with 1 x-direction velocity and -1 y-direction velocity. The position will be (2,0) after one second, (3,1) after two seconds, and (4,2) after three seconds.

Finally, these particles have a property where if they collide, they disappear. Let's assume that we have two particles with following properties:

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(1,3) at 1 x-direction velocity and 0 y-direction velocity
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(2,2) at 0 x-direction velocity and 1 y-direction velocity

These two particles will both be at (2,3) after one second. Since they are at the same coordinate at the same time, they are considered collided, so these two particles will be removed from the system. This means these two particles do not exist anymore.

Now with all information given, your job is to write a program that can simulate this. You are not given a skeleton file. You have seen enough skeleton files, so I will let you make one for yourself. There will be sample input and output files provided with Makefile later.

How to Compile and Run

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gcc lab4.c -o < output executable>
./<executable> <input file> <output file> <num sec>
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Restrictions

□ No new restrictions added in this lab.

Grading

Any grading failure due to not following instructions will result in 0. You will get one chance to show your work to the instructor.

- (1 point) All files are submitted correctly using the instructions below.
- ☐ (3 point) Generate a correct solution to the problem(s) in this lab. Three test inputs will be used.

Submission Files

- □ You must submit only one file named: **lab4.c**
- Submit it to learning hub before the deadline

This assignment will have bonus component, which will be announced in lecture.