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Pedestrian dynamics in long, narrow hallways

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1 Abstract

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In this project, we want to have a closer look at pedestrians in narrow hallways, motivated by a situation at Zurich main station. To do this, we simulate pedestrians by agents with Matlab who walk according to some rules. We managed our agents to pass each other by, to look ahead a few meters and to decide where to walk next. At first, we wanted to have a closer look at the pedestrian flux when the number of persons per minute entering is increased, when there are clearly more people moving in the same direction against a few in the other direction. Next, we wanted to analyze the influence of aggressive fast people in a rush, slowly moving obstacles and the influence of drunkard (randomized walking) on the pedestrian flux.

But soon, our attention turned more to building/creating everything on our own and less about a fast simulation of different situations.

The main outcome of our simulations was that pedestrians tend to get stuck or create jams as soon as there are lots of people trying to pass the same hallway. The exact same hallway can work smoothly if there are not too many people, but jams can arise quickly. And once a jam starts, it often spreads out because people have to stop and walk slower.

Finally, we arrived at the following conclusions: To improve the pedestrian flux, broadening a hallway is a superb solution. Therefore, at our situation scene at Zurich main station, it would be best if the hall users would try to leave more space for the pedestrians, and if the food shops Imagine and Nordsee wouldn't have chairs and tables outside.

2 Individual contributions

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Raffael: graphical functions, visualization & agents

Listed above are only the main tasks everyone of us took care of, but we shared most of the work. The github commit report is not always mirroring the work behind those uploads because we often worked together on the code, debugged, commented and worked on the documentation while swapping laptops.

3 Introduction and Motivation

3.1 Motivation

As many commuters too, we all got annoyed by people rushing through the small corridor left in the Zurich main station hall (the path between burger king and groups meeting point) during the Oktoberfest, market days, concerts and other occasions when going from the platform, passing the meeting points in direction towards the Central and further on. So when thinking about a simulation project, this quickly crossed our minds.

In comparison to other pedestrian simulations, our simulation is special in different ways: this situation of a narrow but long corridor implies that there's not much space to avoid other pedestrians to the side, especially if there are lots of other people, whereas there is no need of path optimisation as the ultimate goal is to cross the hallway without crashing into someone else.

Being sometimes in such a situation inside that small corridor, we observed very special dynamics evolving between people rushing by, people just strolling around and people who want to talk to each other and so on.



Figure 1: Photo of the narrowed passage during the "Oktoberfest 2012"

3.2 Fundamental Questions

The fundamental questions of our simulation project we started with were:

• We try to simulate the pedestrian flux of agents in a hallway in the following different situations: Rush hour (danger of jamming), much more agents

in one direction than in the other, with an static obstacle (if possible), with aggressive/very fast or slow agents, random path agent (drunkard). Will the pedestrian flux run smoothly or will they block each other and be stuck?

- Will the implementation of a rudimentary kind of thinking/looking ahead help to avoid blockages? If possible, we may determine the limits for which the goal of passing is achieved with and without this implementation and compare them.
- Will there be group dynamics or similar behaviours of agents even if they're only programmed to walk to the other side, each on his own?

As soon as the programming phase started, we realized there was a major point of importance about this work we all were aware of, but had forgot to think about beforehand. We did not want to start with a simulation already created, but build something "new" on our own. So we started off by creating our logic functions that would allow the agents to avoid crashing into other agents, then turned to the graphical part. As a consequence, new fundamental questions arose:

- Starting with the idea of looking ahead, how can we turn this into a rudimentary kind of intelligence?
- How can we have a look at the main station situation but keep our agents as random as possible?
- Using our own kind of rudimentary intelligence, will a form of collective behaviour follow? Will we be able to remodel the dynamics that appear when people start to rush forwards while other are considerable slower?

3.3 Expected Results

We thought that there would be lots of changes in the direction of walking to the left and right while trying to avoid other agents. With rising amount of agents we expected more jams, although this seems obvious. We thought that in our simulation we would have to deal with massive jams because the agents were not communicating with each other in any way. Our implementation of "looking ahead" as a form of intelligence would probably improve the people flux but only to a limited range. The formation of columns of people as a way to avoid the zig-zag-pattern of the agents' ways might appear.

4 Description of the Model

4.1 General considerations

As we wanted to describe a situation with people, we chose a model based on discrete agents. They should be able to walk freely along their path until they hit an obstacle, in which case they should be able to determine a way to avoid the obstacle. Obstacles could be walls, objects placed in the path or simply other agents. The main goal of any agent is to get to the other side of the path as quickly as possible, if possible without crashing into other things. As the global situation changes with each "step" an agents does and also with the appearance of new agents, a step-by-step iteration was chosen to propagate the situation in time in which the the optimal direction is calculated all the time. The other approach of calculating a certain path from start to finish was rejected as it probably cannot be done for the uncertainties mentioned above, namely the random appearance of new agents which could block the calculated path. Also, this is not a main point for our situation because there's not a specific destination an agent walks to, but a intended zone to go to. In a hallway without exits on the sides, the goal only is to traverse it.

Any agent's goal is to get to the other side as quickly as possible, although our model cannot accommodate the requirement of the quickest possible path. Because of the step-by-step iteration, any situation is repeatedly analyzed and (hopefully) the best way to proceed is chosen. As this is only a short time period and we only consider an agent's situation in a local environment, it cannot guarantee to give the best outcome overall. To make a long story short, we used a *local search algorithm* combined with a greedy algorithm for each agent.

4.2 Walls and other static obstacles

If a narrow hallway should be a narrow hallway, it needs two walls. Although this statement is obvious, it can be implemented in various ways. We chose to use static agents with a small radius to act as a wall, as it allows the creation of many different hallways. They can also be used as static objects representing obstacles like chairs and tables which could stand in the path an agent has to follow to get to the other side. For our simulation, this was a very flexible way which also allows a quick adaption to other situations if necessary.

4.3 Agents

The basis of the simulation is the agent. An agent should represent a person in real life. We assumed that the hallway was not a place to linger about, therefore they

should try to get to the other side as quickly as possible. In order to do so, they need to be aware of all the things around them that they might bump into. This was the origin of the thought that any agents only looks forward as the obstacles will be in the path before them. In our model, they also need some intelligence to get around an obstacle and avoid running into other agents. To do so, the agent should consider all things within a circle of defined radius in front of him while everything else doesn't bother him. Again, this tries to get a local solution to our problem in the hope that the overall solution is still a good one. As one usually doesn't walk backwards, our agents only walk forwards. This might not be true for all situations but for most of the situations a pedestrian walks into, and it simplifies the model considerably. We also think that, if a pedestrian does only walk more or less forwards and won't be involved in a jam or collision, his passing time will be quite good compared a perfect chosen path, if a such path even exists.

In comparison to previous models which used a force field to guide the agents, we thought that this approach is more realistic as the force field approach given that the force field already defines the optimal solution one is looking for. It should also prove to be more adaptable within a reasonable time frame to other problems.

4.4 Intelligence

4.4.1 General considerations regarding the necessary intelligence

For the model to work properly, a sensible solution to deal with the problem of finding the right path must be found. We do not claim to have found the best solution but believe our model to be a fairly good solution.

The presence of every other agent, be it agent or wall, inside a semi-circle in front of the currently considered agent clearly must have an influence in order not to bump into it. The fundamental idea is to get a function for every agent inside this agent's semi-circle which reproduces the effect it has on the path the considered agent would take without them being in his semi-circle. All of these functions will then be added and the maximum value would be taken as the best way to go forward. An additional function is added which should represent the tendency to go straight forward.

All functions were calculated as functions of x. This x is connected to an angle φ given by $\arctan(x)$. A value of $\varphi = -\pi/2$ would correspond to walking sideways to the left, $\varphi = 0$ to walk straight forward and $\varphi = \pi/2$ to walking sideways to the right, always viewed in the direction the agent wants to go.

A function calculated in x will then be superimposed on φ which corresponds to a mapping of the function onto a polar grid. A possible disadvantage of this procedure

is that φ does not range from $-\pi/2$ to $\pi/2$ and therefore doesn't reach the full semicircle as x is bounded and doesn't reach infinity. We consider this to be negligible as for reasonably high values of x, φ gets close to $\pm \pi/2$ and it is rarely in the interest of an agent to walk purely sideways.

We chose this way is it seemed easier and more intuitive to handle x-values for many different situations. It allowed an easier and (hopefully) more understandable way to the functions used to model various influences.

For an agent coming from the other side, we used a function of the type

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{(|x - x_{\text{Agent}}|)^n} \tag{1}$$

and set the y values corresponding to x values on a collision course to zero. The exact implementation will be treated in chapter Implementation where equation (1) is modified to accommodate for various different parameters. If an agent has another agent in front of him which is walking in the same direction but slower, the function given in (1) is also applied to overtake the slower agent.

Should another agent walk in the same direction, but with higher speed, we thought that it would be logical to follow him. This was done using a Gaussian curve centered on the direction of the faster agent.

Agents moving in the same direction with the same speed have no influence on each other in our model. Two agents standing still on the other hand will also be handled using the function given in (1) to avoid standoffs.

4.4.2 Necessary parameters and variables

We reckon that the important parameters necessary to assess the influence of one agent onto the other agents are

- α_X , the angle between the centers of the two agents with respect to the y-axis
- Δv , the difference in velocity, set to be negative for this situation
- β_{Links} and β_{Rechts} , two angles describing which directions of the path to be chosen would lead to a collision.
- $r_S = r_1 + r_2$ being the sum of the two involved agent's radii
- d, the distance between the two involved agents

In figure 4 (given in the implementation chapter) a graphical depiction of α_X , β_{Links} and β_{Rechts} is given alongside the way to calculate them.

The sign of Δv was chosen to be positive in the case of two agents walking in the same direction and negative in the case of crossing agents.

4.4.3 Collision detection and the its connection to the iteration speed

Collision detection has to be carried out in order to keep the simulation physically possible. We used an approach in which the vector describing the path the agent walks on is subdivided into several small steps. The agent then goes on as far as he can. To avoid the agents sticking too close together and therefore not being able to move anymore, the number of subdivisions should be rather small.

Given that the length of the vector is determined by the iteration time intervall Δt , it is also important for Δt to be not too small. This has a physical representation as in reality one goes on in discrete steps, not infinitesimally small steps that one would get in the case of $\Delta t \to 0$.

4.5 Discretization

As it is a numerical calculation, at some point there has to be a numerical discretization. Since we wanted the agents to be able to move around freely, we abandoned the idea of using a grid on which the agents could walk around in favour of a continuous space simulation. The discretization comes about in the form of the functions and angles to be calculated.

4.6 Spawning of new agents

A hallway usually has at its two endings a more open space than the hallway where the flow of people arriving from the hallway will disperse. In order for things not to get too messy, we decided that agents would simply cease to exist if they reach a line (called dstruction line) which would signify the beginning of this region of dispersion. Newly spawned agents would be created on a line (called spawn line) below the destruction line and pass a short distance without oncoming agents so that they could already orientate themselfes according to the flow of agents walking the other way. This could be important in cases where the agents would form columns and newly spawned agents could adapt to that by not interrupting the column.

5 Implementation

5.1 General considerations

5.1.1 Introduction

We had to build our implementation around several different desires:

- The code has to be expandable with additional features.
- If there is a class model, it has to be simple because the project is not that big.
- Constants should be easy to find and adjust.

According to those points, the simulation code grew to be a mixture between classes and cascaded functions. At the top is a file defining all the global constants called defineConstants.m. This approach is maybe not very correct in terms of a good programming style, but it makes it very simple to adjust smaller details and to keep an overview over all the constants necessary to make the model work and to specify the field the agents walk in. It also provides an easy way to store and therefore document each run by simply saving the file containing all constants to a text file. All constants and variables are considered to be in SI-Units, if not mentioned otherwise. This means that all position specifications are given in meters, the velocity in meters per second and so on. Of course, this is only an approximation of reality, but it makes comparisons possible and easy.

There are 3 classes implemented: *simulation.m*, *agent.m* and *drawing.m*. A further description about these classes can be found in the table beneath or directly in the header of the class files. The rest of the code is split up into different logical functions.

Class	Description	Parent
simulation.m	This class offers all the functions for	Matlab "handle" class
	simulations. It can be executed with	
	different parameters depending on the	
	users preferences.	
agent.m	This class is a container for all the agent	Matlab "handle" class
	data such as its radius, velocity and po-	
	sition.	
drawing.m	This class can draw a field containing	Matlab "handle" class
	agents.	

The class diagram given in figure 2 is a summary of the most important functions and properties in this project.

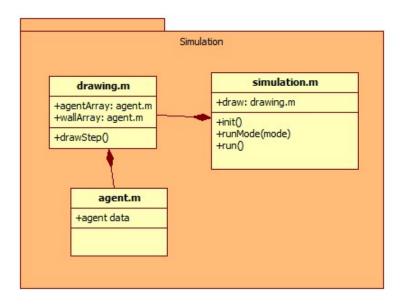


Figure 2: Class diagram of our model. From bottom to top we implemented a class *agent.m*, *drawing.m* and *simulation.m*.

5.1.2 Important classes to run the simulation

The simulation class *simulation.m* describes an object that wraps all the different possibilities of our simulation program. It's the starting point for a new simulation, runs this simulation and collects all the data requested from the agents and the simulated environment. The drawing class *drawing.m* handles all graphical aspects of our simulation. The agent class *agent.m* has a subchapter of its own because it fulfills a very different role than the two classes mentioned previously.

The main flow of a run cycle is described in the activity diagram given in figure 3.

Important properties of the simulation class *simulation.m* are:

- ullet DRAW: The drawing.m implementation.
- RESULT: A matrix containing simulation results.

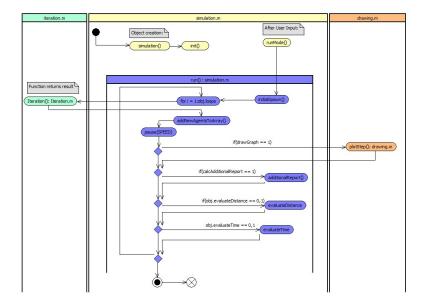


Figure 3: Activity diagram of our model.

- ADDITIONALRESULT: A matrix containing further simulation results.
- EVALUATETIME: A vector used to evaluate the time an agent has spent in the simulation during its existence.
- EVALUATEDISTANCE: A vector used to evaluate the distance an agent has covered in the simulation during its existence.

All methods of the simulation class are listed here:

- SIMULATION(): Constructor, sets up the object.
- INIT(): Initializes the existing object: Fills up arrays with empty objects, sets up vectors, etc.
- RUNMODE(): Pass console like parameters to this function to run a simulation and choose between various runmodes.
- ADDITIONAL REPORT(): Fills the additional Result matrix with data.
- CALCPOSSIBLEAGENTS(): Calculates the maximum possible number of agents for the set area.

- RANDPREFIX(): Randomly generates -1 or 1 to set the spawnpoint (top or bottom), if wanted to. It was replaced by spawning probabilities for top and bottom.
- INITIALSPAWN(): Fills up the agent array with new *agent.m* objects. They have priority 0 which corresponds to non-existing agents.
- ADDNEWAGENTSTOARRAY(): Used to add new agents to the simulation while running.
- BALANCEPROBABILITY(): Balances the probabilities to spawn agents, if wanted to. It was replaced by spawning probabilities for top and bottom with given constant probability.
- RUN(): Main function to run a simulation after everything is set up and ready. This function should not be executed directly by the user. New simulations should be started with the RUNMODE() function.

See also the activity diagram (figure 3) for a better overview on how these method functions are used in the simulation.

The drawing class *drawing.m* basically adapts simple Matlab drawing functions and converts them into useful functions for this project. As a result it's very easy to draw the new situation after a simulation step by simply calling the method PLOTSTEP().

5.1.3 Properties

Important properties are:

- ParticleDensity: Resolution for wall agent.m objects in agents meter.
- WIDTH: The field width.
- LENGTH: The field length.
- WALLARRAY: All the agent.m objects for the wall.
- AGENTARRAY: All the agent.m objects for the simulation.

5.1.4 Methods

All methods are listed here:

• DRAWING(): Constructor, sets up the object.

- CREATEWALL(): Creates wall agents according to the settings.
- PLOTSTEP(): Main function, plots all the agents on a field with the walls and the starting lines.
- DRAWWALLSQUARES: Draws the walls on the side.
- CIRCLEPLOT: Draws circles for the agents.
- DRAWLINE: Draws a line with coordinates. Used for the direction indicators etc.

How the field is created is the subject of subchapter 5.4.

5.1.5 Simplifications

Some simplifications and constraints on the model had to be introduced during the implementation to keep the whole simulation manageable. At first, we decided that the agents should walk either up or down and used the sign of an agent's velocity as an indication in which direction the agent goes. In the logic functions, a discretization had to be introduced for the numerical evaluations of functions. To inter-convert values between different vectors, the function *closest.m* was used.

As a consequence of the model used for the logic functions, the agents will only be able to look forwards. Because of the actual way logicFunction.m was implemented (see subchapter 5.5), they would not use the full $\pm 90^{\circ}$ in front and on the side of them, but almost. We thought this not to be too critical as the human visual field is also smaller than 180° , if one doesn't move the head.

If one walks through the main station, it is visible that many people are not on their own. Groups of people tend to walk together as they want to chat. This can be seen very clearly in couples which try to walk side-by-side. To incorporate this in our model, we would have to introduce some kind of coupling between agents, for example that they would always be below a certain distance from each other. As we constructed our model from scratch, we thought it should be challenging enough to make it work with completely independent agents and decided to make every agents independent of all others.

The hallway in the main station in Zurich is approximately 60 meters long. We shortened the way to 30 meters as we reckon that the same effects should be visible over that length. This saves some time for the simulations as the way until the agents from the opposite directions meet is considerable shortened. Also, it is of practical use as one can observe more details in a less stretched picture.

5.2 How to run a simulation

To start a simulation, simply change to the "/code" directory in your local matlab installation. Then type "run" into the command window. This will set up a new simulation environment. This environment can be accessed trough the "sim" variable.

The run script will ask for a "runmode" and whether you'd like to save the data. Supported runmodes are:

normal	normal mode with many wall agents
fasttest	faster mode with less wall agents

Supported parameters are:

-nograph	simulation draws no graph, can be used if graphical out-	
	put is not necessary.	
-report	additional report will be recorded	
-nodirections	removes the direction markers on top of the agents.	

A string could be for example: "normal -nograph -report". For a more detailed example please view the header of the run.m file.

If one wants to save the data, type "Y" when asked and type in the name of the location/filename where the data shall be stored to. As a default, they are saved into the sim folder. Then the *defineConstants.m* file containing all the constants is saved as a .txt file with the runmode appended. After the simulation is finished, the workspace variables containing the "sim" variable are saved as a .mat file. The situation after the last iteration is drawn and saved as a .png file, also when the parameter -nograph was called. This allows a first visual check on how a run went.

5.3 Agents

As the model is agent-based, we wanted to implement them as such. Therefore we created a class called agent.m. Every agent has the following properties which are critical for the simulation:

- Radius of the agent called RADIUS
- The x coordinate of its position called CORDX
- The y coordinate of its position called CORDY
- A maximal velocity called MAXSPEED

- An actual velocity called ACTSPEED
- A priority called PRIORITY

Two more properties were introduced later for the analysis of the model. They are called DISTANCE and TIME and are used to monitor the time and pathlength an agent needs for crossing the field. The property ANGLE stores the angle an agent wants to walk. This was used to graphically show the way they want to walk to during the simulation.

A circle is the mathematically easiest shape to consider, especially for collision detections which have to be done later all the time. In addition, we consider the circle to be a good approximation as one also needs some space to move as the legs cover some space in front and behind the body. Also, a circle is very practical as it only needs one parameter entirely for the shape which is the radius. Using this approach, every agent can have a different radius.

The coordinates of the agent with respect to a cartesian grid centered at the lower left of the whole filed are vital for all calculations. They are also needed to define the circle representing the agent in the plane. After each iteration, they will be adjusted to the new situation.

Every agent has a maximum velocity. The actual velocity of an agent gives its actual speed. If there is no obstacle, it will be the maximum velocity. In the initialization of an agent, the first actual velocity is set to be equal to the maximum velocity. As velocity is in principle a vectorial quantity, we used the sign of the maximum velocity to determine the way an agent walks which is always well-defined as we don't let agents walk backwards. By our own convention, a positive sign means to go upwards (increasing y coordinate) and a negative sign means to go downwards (decreasing y coordinate).

Every agent has a priority and usually this is a random number between 0 and 1. It is used to determine the order in which the agents move through one iteration step. A high priority means that the agent will walk first. A high priority value can be attributed to an agent which will always try to push his way through.

The priority is also used to mark inactive agents. As all arrays are stored in an array of class agent, a priority of 0 denotes an empty position and will not be drawn. Any new agent is placed at the first position in the array of agents with a priority of 0. If an agent reaches its goal, it can be deleted by setting the priority to zero. This is the only time the priority value is changed after the creation of an agent.

The class agent.m was implemented using handle in the class definition. This has the same effect as call by reference in C++ as there is after the creation only one instance of the agent. This is important in the case where it is passed down to functions. Thereby a change of a property inside the function will also be effective outside the function which saves the step of giving the whole array of agents back after every call of a function which has to change some properties.

5.4 Drawing of the field

To draw the field, the matlab API is used in a very basic way. Matlab supports the drawing of different shapes like circles, squares and lines. They can be combined in a single plot to create more complex graphic objects. The field is repainted after every simulation step by different functions. There is a separate function for the wall painting and to paint the spawn-lines on both sides. The agents are painted in two steps. First it paints a round "rectangle" to create a cyclic shape and then, if the user desires, direction indicators on top of it. All the drawing functions are processed in a procedural manner. Every agent is handled individually.

The field is defined by its wall agents. They could be in any shape. For example, if one wants to extend the field with an obstacle somewhere between the spawn lines it can be defined by adding wall-agents to the specific coordinates. The easiest way to do so is to modify the createWall() function (which currently creates wall-agents on the left and on the right side to simulate a hallway). Keep in mind that the coordinate system's zero point is on the lower left side. All wall agents are currently invisible.

The de-spawn-line indicates where agents coming from the other side will disappear. We had to separate spawn and de-spawn areas because of possible positioning conflicts between arriving and new created agents.

We adapted the model we used for our simulations to the given facts inside the main station concourse "Zürich HB". According to the measured distances we could calculate the average width of the passage (l for length, w for width):

$$\frac{l_{Nordsee}*w_{Nordsee} + l_{Imagine}*w_{Imagine} + l_{BurgerKing}*w_{BurgerKing}}{l_{Nordsee} + l_{Imagine} + l_{BurgerKing}} = \frac{19*2.75 + 25*2.5 + 16*3.4}{19 + 25 + 16} = 2.819$$

If one does extend the field with other obstacles or different shaped walls and if it is not possible to frame the new situation with a simple geometric structure, the wall agents have to be drawn again. This is currently disabled because it slows down the simulation speed, and because the straight walls can be easily substituted with a long small rectangle. Drawing wall-agents is very simple due to the fact that they are exactly the same object type like a normal, moving agent. One can combine the two arrays (wall-agents and the moving agents) and let it draw by the iteration loop.

Currently, walls are coloured black, agents moving from top to bottom are painted in blue and those from bottom to top are red. The agent's direction indicators are painted black. All the distances are in meters.

The proportions of a long narrow passage does not fit very well onto an usual computer monitor because the width-height ratios used for the passage in our simulations were up to 21:1. To prevent the images from being small and unclear we introduced a scaling factor variable called XSTRETCHFACTOR with a default value of 5. This has some side effects one has to consider: Agents displayed as an oval are circles in the non transformed "real" environment. To obtain a better general overview about the situation one can set the XSTRETCHFACTOR to 1 which resets the image to a compensated x/y ratio.

5.5 Logical functions

5.5.1 General considerations

The heart of the simulation is the function logicFunction.m, which determines the path any agent will choose to get to the other side of the hallway. To be more precise, it determines only the next step an agent will take and not the whole path. It relies heavily on the two functions xValuesLogic.m to deal with other agents and xWallLogic.m to deal with agents representing the wall or static obstacles. At first, the functioning of xValuesLogic.m will be explained and afterwards the functioning of xWallLogic.

5.5.2 How to get β_{Links} and β_{Rechts} ?

For our model, it is crucial to determine where an agent shouldn't go. The function getBeta.m returns the angles which describe the interval of angles leading to a collision. A graphical depiction of the situation is given in figure 4. The equations (2) to (4) were used to get β_{Links} and β_{Rechts} . They had to be converted into the angles

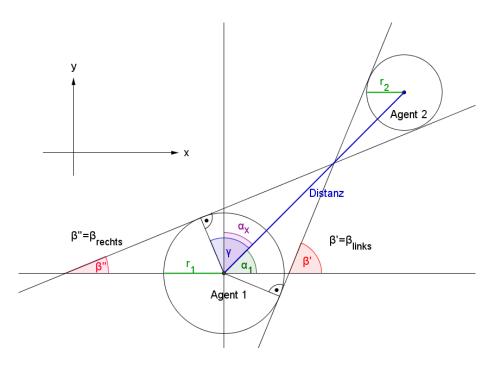


Figure 4: The graph shows the angles and variables used to get β_{Links} and β_{Rechts} . α_X is the angle between the two agents with respect to the y-axis. This depiction was engineered to work also for agents walking the other way.

given with respect to φ , β_{φ , left and β_{φ} , right as shown in equations (5) to (6).

$$\gamma = \arccos\left(\frac{r_S}{d}\right), \ \alpha = \arctan\left(\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}\right)$$
(2)

$$\beta_{\text{Links}} = \gamma + \alpha - \frac{\pi}{2} \tag{3}$$

$$\beta_{\text{Rechts}} = \alpha + \frac{\pi}{2} - \gamma \tag{4}$$

$$\beta_{\varphi, \text{ left}} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \beta_{\text{Links}} = \pi - (\gamma + \alpha)$$
 (5)

$$\beta_{\varphi, \text{ right}} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \beta_{\text{Rechts}} = \gamma - \alpha$$
 (6)

This works between agents as well as between agents and the wall agents. Care was taken to engineer a calculation that allows for it to be used for agents walking in both directions.

5.5.3 Calculation of the interaction with another dynamic agents

xValuesLogic.m distinguishes three different cases.

• For two crossing agents or if the agent in front of the agent in question is slower, we used equation (7) to get x'_{out} . It was also used for two not moving agents, setting Δv equal to an arbitrary value given in STANDOFF. This was a quick way to resolve standoffs, although this would eventually turn out to be in its actual form an Achilles heel of the model.

$$x'_{\text{out}} = \frac{1}{\left(|x - \alpha_X|\right)^{\left(\frac{\Delta v}{a}\right)}} = \left(|x - \alpha_X|\right)^{\left(\frac{\Delta v}{a}\right)}, \ \Delta v < 0 \tag{7}$$

All values which correspond to a collision course in x'_{out} are set to zero. This also deals with the singularity of equation (7) as it is set to zero. This is done using the β -angles shown before. Afterwards, x'_{out} is normalized and modificated further using equation (8).

$$x_{\text{out}} = x'_{\text{out}} \cdot \frac{b}{max(x'_{\text{out}})} \cdot \left(\frac{r_S}{d}\right)^c$$
 (8)

The variables a (called SLOPEFACTOR), b (HEIGHT) and c (REPULSIONAGENT) have to chosen in a way that the simulation runs smoothly. The term $\frac{b}{max(x'_{\text{out}})}$ normalized the function to a maximum value b while the term $\left(\frac{r_S}{d}\right)^c$ controls that the repulsive influence gets stronger, the closer the two agents get. c is usually chosen to be larger than 1.

For two agents walking the in the same direction, the function given in equation 8 is additionally multiplied with the difference in speed $|\delta v|$ in a try to make them avoid standing agents more resolute as it that case $|\delta v|$ would be rather big.

If the x_{out} given in equation (8) would be returned, the agent in question would aim to miss the other agent exactly. We thought that this would be too close as in reality, one also leaves a bit of space if possible between each other. Therefore we introduced an offset given as WALLANGLEOFFSET which gives the angle additionally to the β angles for which an agent should aim to. To account for this, x_{out} is modified with an linear interpolation between the values at β +WALLANGLEOFFSET and β (which was set to zero before).

- If the agent in front of the agent in question is faster, a gaussian curve was used with the mean α_X and standard deviation rS/d. It is then modified further with Δv and HEIGHT to make it a weak influence.
- For two agents moving with the same speed, the influence is set to zero by returning a vector of zeros.

5.5.4 Calculation of the interaction with a wall agents

To avoid hitting the wall, we used a very simple approach. Every angle corresponding to a collision course is set to a negative value according to equation (9).

$$x_{\text{Out}} = x \cdot \frac{a}{d - rS} \tag{9}$$

As before for agents, an offset is introduced so the agent in question doesn't just try to avoid the wall-agent but also to leave some buffer space. The offset is also given in WALLANGLEOFFSET, a can be accessed with the constant variable WALLFACTOR. a has to be set negative as otherwise the wall would have an attracting force. To set a good value for this factor a is quite delicate because if it is too low, agents will be stuck in the wall while if it too high, they will never approach the wall even slightly.

5.5.5 Calculating functions in x and transforming them into a polar axis in φ

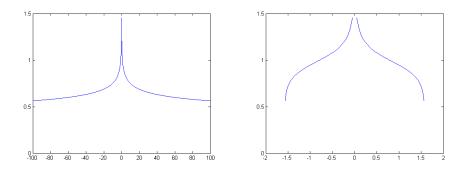
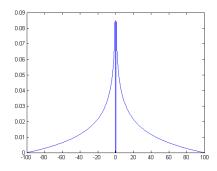


Figure 5: Graphical depiction of the function given in equation (7). In the graphic on the left, the horizontal axis is given in x while in the right graphic the horizontal axis is given in φ .

As the functions given above are given in x but the direction to go on is determined in polar values, it needs to be transformed into a φ axis. This is done using a vector for x ranging \pm XSCOPE with a step of XRES. Applying the arcustangent on it yields

the axis in angular values (φ) . The transforming is done simply by using the φ axis instead of the x axis. This is shown in the two figures 5 and 6. As those functions are only chosen to show the principle, they were not normalized in height according to the equations mentioned above.

In figure 5, the function (7) is shown graphically in the x as well as φ axis. Figure 6 shows the x_{out} the function xValuesLogic.m returns.



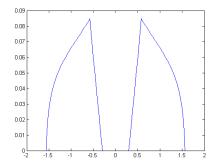


Figure 6: Graphical depiction of the return values of the function xValuesLogic.m. In the graphic on the left, the horizontal axis is given in x while in the right graphic the horizontal axis is given in φ . α_X was set to 0 corresponding to an other agent directly ahead, β was set to ± 0.3 with an offset of 0.25.

5.5.6 Graphical example

This subchapter shall give a visual example of how the logic functions work. Let's consider the situation given in figure 7.

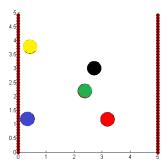


Figure 7: Exemplary case used to demonstrate the working principle of the logic functions.

The blue agent moving up in figure 7 only sees the influence of the wall. What the

blue agent "sees" is given in figure 8. The influence of the wall causes the overall function to decrease for all φ corresponding to a collision course. The offset causes the overall function to have its maximum α at a positive φ . This causes the agent to walk in the direction of α .

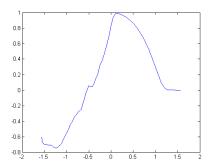


Figure 8: Output of all logic functions combined for the blue agent in figure 7. Visible is the effect of wall agents on the blue agent as negative values on the left side.

The green agent moving up sees only the influence of the black agent who is moving down. The effect of that it given in figure 9. The underlying gaussian function can be seen as well as the addition of a modified version of figure 6, left. The agent will move slightly to the left to avoid hitting the black agent.

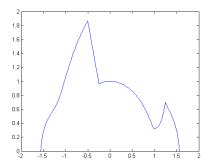


Figure 9: Output of all logic functions combined for the green agent in figure 7. Visible is the effect of the oncoming black agent as a superposition on the underlying gaussian curve.

The black agent moving down sees the oncoming green and red agent going up. The effect of them is given in figure 10. The superposition of two functions onto the

underlying gaussion can be seen by the discontinities. The effect of the green agent is stronger as it is nearer to the black agent than the red agent which causes the black agent to go left (looking top-down) in order to avoid hitting the green agent. This shows the dependency of the strength of an agent of the distance.

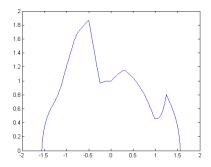


Figure 10: Output of all logic functions combined for the black agent in figure 7. Visible is the effect of the oncoming green and red agents as superpositions on the underlying gaussian curve. The black agent will move left (from his point of view) to avoid hitting the closer green agent.

5.6 Iteration

5.6.1 General considerations

One iteration step is carried out using the function *Iteration.m.* For it to work properly, the array of all agents and all wall agents has to be passed to it. All other inputs as well as all output variables are introduced for evalutation of the model and are per se not necessary for the iteration. It deals with three main tasks, the propagation of the simulation in time, the collision detection and the destruction of an agent after reaching its goal.

The spawning of new agents is treated in the function *Spawn.m*. Both functions are called from the *simulation.m* which controls the simulation and stores all the data.

5.6.2 Iteration step and collision detection

This function takes four input array, although only two are critical for the success of the iteration. Those two are the arrays for all dynamic and static agents (equals wall agents). The output consists of the number of agents which disapeared during the iteration step, the distance covered by the disapeared agents as well as the time the disapeared agents had spent in the simulations.

At first, an index array is calculated with the indices of the dynamic agents in the given array of agents sorted according to their priority. This is done using the functions getPriorityArray.m and getSortedPriorityArray.m. Then a loop over the index array is carried out.

For every agent, the desired direction is calculated using the function logicFunction.m as explained above. Using the angle obtained by the call of logicFunction.m und the speed given as the agent property, the new x- and y-coordinates-to-be are determined. The path to it is then split in several substeps with the number of divisions given in the constant PRECISIONCOLLISION. In addition, the place where the agent stands is also included in case the agent cannot move at all.

For each of these positions, the distance to all other agents minus the radii is calculated yielding a distance matrix. This is done over all agents, dynamic as well as static. The last position for each other agent is left -1 as a sentinel. The distance matrix is then sorted using the matlab command *sort* which leaves the most negative value for each column in the first row. The position of the first negative minimal distance indicates a collision. This position minus 1 will then be the distance the agent in question walks.

In very rare cases, all positions in the first row of the sorted distance matrix are negative. This has the very nasty significance of an agent that could not even stand at its actual position. We reckon this has to do with some small numerical errors, as it occurs very rarely. To leave the agent at its actual position will now only result in a complete freeze of two agents. It is certainly not a nice solution, but in these cases we simply delete the faulty agent by setting its priority to 0 and reset its distance and time properties to enable the simulation to keep on running.

5.6.3 Destruction of agents

If an agent reaches his goal, namely the other side, it is automatically deleted inside *Iteration.m.* This is simply done by setting the priority of the agent to 0. The attributes time and distance are read out before resetting the agent and handed back to the calling function for later evaluation. After a deletion, the priority array giving all the indices of active agents is recalculated in order to avoid any influence of the deleted agent on other agents as the iteration step proceeds through the residual agents in the loop over all agents.

5.6.4 Spawning new agents

The spawning of one new agents is done by the function *spawn.m*. Every call of *spawn.m* spawns a new agent, whether the function is called at all is handled an instance higher in the simulation class. After each iteration step, namely by calling

Iteration.m, the class simulation determines whether a new agent is spawned or not. There are two constants determining the amount of agents spawned over a long period called DENSITYUP and DENSITYDOWN. They correspond to a density of people or, in other words, the number of people per second that should appear. As the names suggest, one is used for the number of agents spawned in the upper spawn zone while the other is used for the number of agents in the lower spawn zone. This information is then passed down to the function spawn.m in the variable position which can only take the values 1 or -1. Using our implementation, maximally one agent is spawned per iteration per side according to the following equation with the according density ρ and the time step length Δt .

$$p(\text{spawn}) = \begin{cases} \Delta t \cdot \rho & \Delta t \cdot \rho \le 1\\ 1 & \Delta t \cdot \rho > 1 \end{cases}$$
 (10)

For sufficiently small values of Δt and ρ , it can be in good approximation assumed that only one agent is spawned per time step. The probability of spawning two agents would go with p^2 which is small for the values we have chosen. Otherwise one would have to implement an additional condition which would determine at first how many agents are to be spawned with the probability for spawning n agents going in principle with p^n .

To spawn an agent, the first agent position in the array of agents with a priority of 0 is taken. The radius is generated using a normal distribution (randn in matlab) with a mean of MEANRADIUS and a standard deviation of STDRADIUS. The maximal deviation possible was set to be three times the standard deviation. Should the generated radius be out of bounds, the radius generating procedure was simply repeated. A starting position in x-direction is then generated with an uniform random distribution over all possible starting values. A collision detection is then carried out to see whether the chosen position is possible without spawning onto another agent. If it fails, this procedure is repeated REP times, a constant defined at the beginning. The y-position is given by the dimension of the field while the velocity is determined using a normal distribution in the same way as before for the radius with the mean given by MEANSPEED and the standard deviation given by STDSPEED.

It is possible to implement other spawn sequences than the one used for this model. If one wishes to get specific agents with certain properties, they could also be spawned directly from the simulation.

5.7 Readout of informations of after a simulation

To evaluate how the model has worked, both a graphical and a mathematical output is given. As a graphical check one can take a look at the last situation which is saved as a png. This gives immediate information about whether the agents got caught in a jam or not.

For further and more precise analysis, several variables listed below are stored which can be used to monitor several aspects like the overall efficiency of the model. In the list below, the variables are stated in the way they can be called after a simulation.

- sim.loops: Gives back the number of iterated loops.
- sim.evaluateDistance: $(1 \times (\# \text{ of arrived agents}))$ -matrix containing the distances of all agents which have finished their way across the hallway.
- sim.evaluateTime: $(1 \times (\# \text{ of arrived agents}))$ -matrix containing the spent time in the simulation of all agents which successfully crossed the hallway.
- sim.spawned: $(2 \times loops)$ -Matrix containing the number of spawned agents at the top (column 1) and bottom (column 2) of the hallway.
- sim.result: (2×loops)-Matrix containing the number of deleted agents at the top (column 1) and bottom (column 2) of the hallway.
- sim.additionalresult: (2×loops)-Matrix containing the total distance walked by all agents during each iteration step (column 1) and the total number of agents in the system (column 2).

5.8 Defining all constants

The file define Constants. m contains all the constants that are used somewhere in the simulation. They can be grouped into several categories which are listed below, only the most important and most frequently changed constants are listed explicitly.

- The first section containing XSCOPE and XRES define the extent of the numerical approximations. An acceptable compromise between numerical resolution and runtime has to be chosen.
- In the second section, the model parameters can be set. They were explained in the subchapters about the logical functions and the spawning.
- The third section is used to define the field in which the agents will walk.
- In the fourth and last section, general parameters concerning the simulation can be set. They include the time increment DELTAT and the number of loops LOOPS for the iteration process. The seed for the random number generator can be set with SEED.

The seed for the random number generator is important to get random numbers but reproducible results.

Please note that early simulations may have a slightly different ordering of the constant variables in their logfiles.

6 Performed simulations

Listed below are the carried out simulations with their most important parameters. For each series of simulations, a brief explanation is given to state the questions which will be looked at with the actual simulation series.

All parameters can be found in the corresponding logfiles. Usually only one parameter was varied while all others were kept constant. We chose a mean radius for the agents of 0.25 meters with a standard deviation of 0.03 meters. A mean velocity of 1.5 meters per second was chosen with a rather large standard deviation of 0.25 meters per second.

It should be noted that we usually used high people flux densities since we wanted to test the model under stress conditions. Therefore we expected a considerable amount of failure in the examined situations.

6.1 Influence of different pedestrian flux densities

To check the influence of different densities on our model, we ran the simulation with the density combinations 0.4/0.4, 0.4/0.6, 0.4/0.8, 0.4/1.0, 0.6/0.6, 0.6/0.8, 0.6/1.0, 0.8/0.8, 0.8/1.0 and 1.0/1.0. The first number represents the value chosen for DENSITYDOWN, the second for DENSITYUP. We didn't run the inverted combinations due to the situation's symmetry. The simulations were repeated with three different seeds each, 51, 71 and 91. A high value for DISPERSIONFACTOR of 1.0 was chosen which corresponds to people having a strong tendency to try to overtake slow agents. All simulations were run for 120 seconds.

6.2 Influence of overtaking or lane formation on the success of the model

It soon became clear to us that the parameter DISPERSIONFACTOR would be absolutely crucial if one wants to force the model to succeed. A negative value encourages the agents to form lanes while a positive value encourages them to try finding their own way. In order to investigate this property, specially with the dilemma of personal vs. group success in mind, we ran a simulation series where we incremented the DISPERSIONFACTOR from -0.2 to 1 each time by 0.1. A high density flux of 1 person per second on both sides was used to test the model in a stress situation. This was done for three different seeds each, 51, 151 and 351. All simulations were run for 120 seconds.

6.3 Influence of the radius of sight of an agent

The constant variable INFLUENCESPHERE determines the radius of the semi-circle in which the agent considers other agents around him. With flux densities of 1.0 each

and a DISPERSIONFACTOR of 0.7, the INFLUENCESPHERE was tested using the values 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 and 3.0 (in meters). This was done for three seeds each, 51, 77 and 151. All simulations were run for 120 seconds.

6.4 Influence of the hallway width on the success of the simulation

To account for the influence of the width of the hallway on the success of the simulation, we did a simulation series with different widths. The tested widths were 2.2, 2.5, 2.8, 3 and 3.5 meters. A high density flux of 1 person per second on both sides was used with a DISPERSIONFACTOR of 0.75 corresponding to a high number of overtaking attempts. The simulations were repeated with the seeds 51, 77 and 151 each. All simulations were run for 100 seconds.

6.5 Simulating measurements of the main station Zurich

Saturday, Nov 17th, we did some quick measurements right at Zurich main station to have some data we could try to compare. Two measurements were taken, only some minutes lay between these, that was when we measured the length and breadth of our corridor. The measurements were:

- 1. The "boring" measurement: During 2 minutes, 14 pedestrians headed towards tracks 3-18, and 20 pedestrians directed towards tram station "Bahnhofsquai". No problems at all, very fluently.
- 2. The "crowded" measurement: During 2 minutes, 41 pedestrians headed towards tracks 3-18, and 33 pedestrians directed towards tram station "Bahnhofsquai". People got stuck, ran into each other, and had to walk stop-and-go-like for some moments.

In order to simulate this, we used values of 0.12 (up) and 0.17 (down) as flux densities for the first measurement, the second measurement was simulated with flux densities of 0.34 (up) and 0.275 (down). In all cases, a DISPERSIONFACTOR of 0.7 was chosen. These values represent the measured flux densities.

To get also something like a rush hour, we simulated a situation with approximately double flux densities than in the "crowded" measurement, namely with 0.6 (up) and 0.5 (down). All simulations were run for 180 seconds.

6.6 Simulation of a big inequality in the flux densities

This series was designed to test how a small number of people walking up would react to a big number of walking down. To test this, the flux density walking down was kept constant at 1.0 while the flux density of people walking up was varied with

the values 0.2, 0.3 and 0.4. DISPERSIONFACTOR was again set to 0.7 with an iteration time of 180 seconds. The used seeds were 51, 91 and 113.

The simulations were carried out with MATLAB R2011a on a HP ELITEBOOK 8400P (Intel Core i7 CPU M620 @ 2.67 GHz) with a windows 7 professional operating system.

7 Simulation Results and Discussion

7.1 Goals

First, let's have a look at what our goals were. We planned to have a look at the pedestrian flux, how it can be improved and jammings be avoided. We furthermore wanted to have a closer look to what happens during rush-hours and in a situation when much more people are moving in one direction than in the other.

On the agent-based side of our model, we wanted to analyze the influence of aggressive fast people in a rush, slowly moving obstacles (eg. mothers with baby buggies) and the influence of drunkard (more or less randomized walking) on the pedestrian flux.

If everything went well, we also wanted to implement a static obstacle and see what happens. As a reminder before the discussion of the results, our fundamental research questions were:

- How does the simulation behave in the following situations: rush hour, with obstacle, with very slow/fast agents, random path agent (drunkard)? Does it run smoothly or will ther be jams?
- How will our implementation of a rudimentary kind of "'thinking ahead"' affect the simulation? Will it work good or bad? Can we compare it to other implementations?
- Are there any group dynamics evolving as lane or group formation?

7.2 General achievements

As soon as we started programming we realized there was a major point of importance about this work we all were aware of, but had forgot to put it in the project proposal. We all did not want to start with an already known program or existing algorithms, but build something "new". So we started off creating our logic function that would allow the agents to avoid crashing into other agents and not working with repulsive forces as for example Helbing (Quelle angeben, ist das älteste Paper) did. Quite proudly, we can now say we managed to do this. Our idea of the agents "thinking ahead" by consulting where other agents are and not just being pushed around by repulsive forces worked.

We now are able to play with lots of input variables, the most important being number of agents entering the corridor per time and the agents' characteristics as size, speed and lots more.

A nice thing we built but did not originally plan to is that we planned to and did research on the sitation as explained earlier in the long, narrow corridor in Zurich mainstation. But in our simulation, one can also change dimensions as length and shape of the walls easily.

We therefore decided to make first of all sure that the model works and what are its operating parameters. This meant that we had to drop a lot of our former goals because we did not want to carry on with a faulty model. Therefore we have included some results that were not included in our first questions we set out to answer in the beginning.

On the downside of this, we dropped the investigation into the behaviour of the pedestrian flux when exposed to aggressive, slow or random people. Even though these situations were not simulated, the functionality to introduce them without much work was implemented into the model as they were considered when we built our model.

7.3 Results from the simulation series

7.3.1 Influence of different pedestrian flux densities

For this experiment we monitored the total agents count as an indicator for jams. This number was then scaled by the combined flux densities to give comparable results which can be found in figure 11.

With the highest flux densities used in the simulations, the jam formation was very fast. It is interesting that 0.6/0.6, 0.8/0.4 and 0.8/0.8 also caused jams within the observed time frame, especially since 1/0.4 didn't jam.

Our model seems not to be able to cope well with that many people. There should be more simulations with different seeds to get a better statistic.

Given in figure 12 are the mean covered distance and mean time spent during the simulation for all agents who reached their destruction line compared with the combined flux densities used. As would be expected, the agents had to cover a longer distance and spend more time in the simulation as they had to avoid collisions with other agents.

These variables were monitored to analyze whether they give a good description of the model and to ensure that we got results that run within the same expectations as in reality. But as they only take the values of those agents that have left the simulation, they may have a decreased significance when jams occur and are not at all able to tell whether a jam has occured or not.

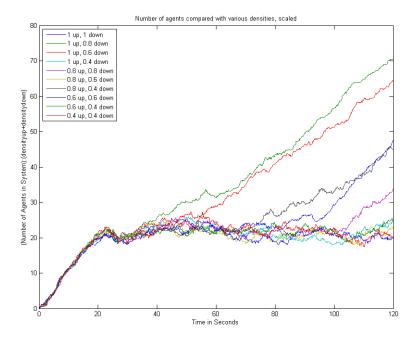
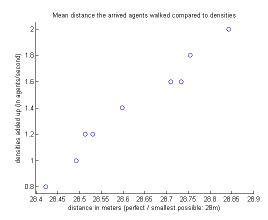


Figure 11: The scaled total number of agents in the system for various combinations of flux densities with respect to time. The used flux densities are given in the graph legend. As soon as the total number of agents runs away, a jam has formed. The mean over three simulations with different seeds was taken for each case. As expected high flux densities caused massive jams.

7.3.2 Influence of overtaking or lane formation on the success of the model

Some examples of how our simulation did look like after a simulation time of 120 second are given in figure 13.

In figure 14 all collected data is consensed into one graph which was visualized in two ways. Another representation of the same data is given in the appendix in figure 24 (page 65). They correlate the average distance covered per agent per iteration step with the simulation time. There were two expectations: As soon as a jam starts to form, this variable should decrease quite fast. Any kind of lane formation should be detectable as most agents will not be able to walk with their maximum speed so the average distance per agent per timestep should be significantly below the mean value given by $\bar{d} = \Delta t \cdot \bar{v}$, the product of DELTAT with MEANSPEED.



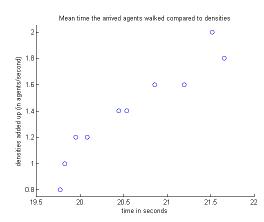


Figure 12: Graphs of the mean covered distance and mean time spent during the simulation for all agents who reached their destruction line compared with the combined flux densities used. As expected, for high flux densities the agents have to cover longer distances and spend more time as they have to avoid colliding with other agents. Note that even though this data is interestingly distributed, its statistical relevance is rather small, because the standard deviation is rather high due to the agent's speeds being Gaussian distributed.

Given the two graphs, it is striking that the majority of the simulations represented by reddish lines representing high values of DISPERSIONFACTOR fail during the observed time frame. At rare occasion though the simulation was successful even with a relatively high DISPERSIONFACTOR.

On the other side, there was always lane formation for a DISPERSIONFACTOR below 0.4, represented by the more blueish lines which ultimately resulted mostly in successful simulations without jamming.

The lane formation can be seen quite clearly in the graphs given in figure 14. The reddish lines try to keep the mean distance at almost all cost, this is visible in the initial height of the reddish lines. In contrast, the blueish lines quickly fall down by about 0.02 meters per agent per iteration step which is a precise indication of lane formation. But in the long run, the best reddish line performed about equally well as most blueish lanes, indicating that in crowded situations like this, cooperation between agents in the form of line formation is not worse in performance as the best egoistic approach, but succeeds way more often.

It seems that the forced lane formation was a successful way to resolve the problem of jamming. It also highlights the importance of cooperation and the sensitivity of our model towards this parameter.

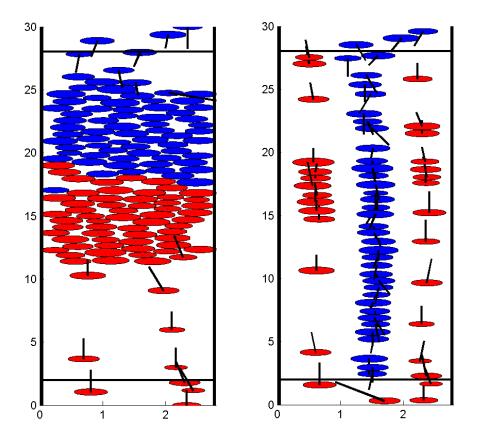


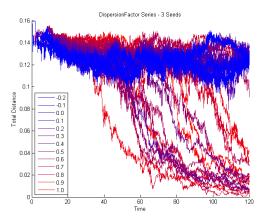
Figure 13: Exemplary pictures of our simulation after a simulation time of 120 seconds. The left one was run with a DISPERSIONFACTOR of 1 while the right picture has one of 0.1. The jaming to the left and the lane formation to the right can be seen.

7.3.3 Influence of the radius of sight of an agent

In this test series, the constant variable INFLUENCESPHERE, which determines the radius of the semi-circle in which the agent considers other agents around him, was varied. First of all, the dependency between the influence sphere's radius and the total distance walked by all agents had to be evaluated.

As shown in figure 15, neither dependencies nor tendencies can be seen clearly, as for every tested radius of influence, some seeds worked well where other simulations for the same seed jammed.

Next, there maybe is a dependence between the success of a simulation and the seed which would explain why no clear tendencies for the radii was observed in figure 15. So, in figure 16, the same seeds were coloured equally, which showed much more of a



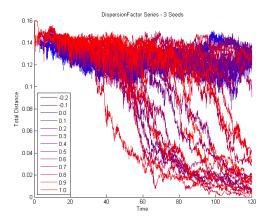


Figure 14: Graph of the average covered distance per agent present in the simulation per step as a function of time. The more blueish the color is, the stronger was the agents tendency to form lanes while the more reddish the color is, the stronger was the agents tendency to try to overtake slow agents. In the left graph the more blue lines are highlighted while in the right graph the more red lines are highlighted. Although the red lines representing "greedy" agents cope well at the very start, the usually lead to a jam very quickly.

tendency: A seed seems to have the property that it will most likely jam or not: Seed 51 caused jams for every radius, whereas seed 77 and seed 151 produced a similar result except for outliers.

To investigate this further, the plot was now split up into 3 subplots with one for each seed as given in figure 17. Again, this seems to show some dependency as assumed in figure 16, but this could also be coincidence.

Here, no dependency can be seen because with seed 51, every single simulation will cause jams. Seed 151 shows what one could expect to see: For a small influence sphere radius, a jam pops up. But seed 77 shows the exact opposite of this as here, the larger influence radii caused jams. So neither dependence nor tendency between influence sphere radius and total distance walked can be observed.

These results are not really surprising as we weighted short distance interactions quadratically, therefore the inclusion of more influences with a big distance should not have a big effect. This could change if the weighting would not be quadratic but maybe linear, but then the agents should bump into each other much more frequently.

As already seen in chapter hier verweis zur resultate-section von dieser serie einfügen, neither dependence nor tendency between influence sphere radius and

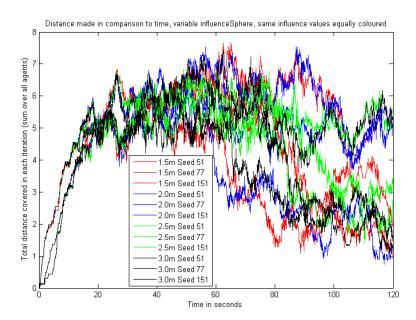


Figure 15: This plot shows the total distance covered by all agents in the system for different influence sphere radii and seeds in dependence of the simulation time. This distance decreases rapidly when a jam starts. To show the total distance's dependence on the influence sphere radius, each seed to a certain radius was coloured equally. One can see here that there is no clear dependence of the radii to the total distance as for every radius except 1.5 m there are seeds that work and seeds that don't, which means they had jams.

total distance walked can be observed because there were opposing trends. Seed 151 showed what we expected to see: For a small influence radius, a jam popped up where for larger radii it didn't. On the other hand, seed 77 showed the exact opposite: only the large radii caused jams.

This leads us to think that coicidence played a main role here and shows us another thing: In our formulas weighing the influence of other agents on a specific agents, the weights are too big for very close agents in comparison to agents in a larger distance. This explains why larger radii didn't show the expected results: the additional influence of those agents was too little to matter. The assumption that out weighing function is not perfect can also be observed in any simulation: The agents walk straight forwards to each other for a long time and avoid each other only when they are very close to each other and not from a few meters ahead.

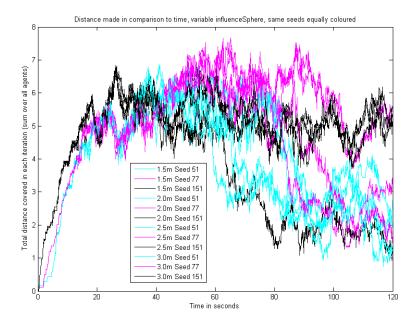


Figure 16: This plot shows the total distance covered by all agents in the system for different influence sphere radii and seeds in dependence of the simulation time. This distance decreases rapidly when a jam starts. To show the total distance's dependence on the seed, each radius to a certain seed was coloured equally. One can see here that whether a simulation jams or not seems to depend on the seed, as the seed 51 simulations all jammed independent of the radius, and for the other two seeds, there was only one radius that was different.

7.3.4 Influence of the hallway width on the success of the simulation

As a fast visual analysis, one can see that for 2.2 and 2.5 meters width, every simulation got stuck. Two 2.8 meters width simulations also had a jam started at the end of the simulation. In addition to those, also one of the three simulations of 3.0 and 3.5 meters width each got stuck too.

To detect jams, looking at the total number of agents in the system was a suitable way as this number starts to increase strongly when agents start to get stuck. Figure 18 shows the total agent number in all 15 simulations that were carried out evolving in time. What one can clearly see is that the results are not perfect and that random chance plays a big role as for example also one simulation of a 3.5 meters wide hallway started jammed even though there would have been plenty of space left at the formation of the jam.

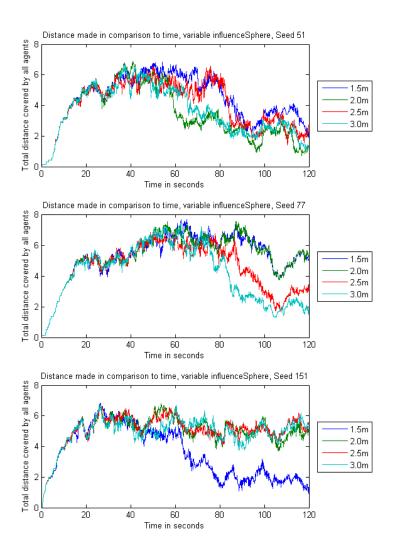


Figure 17: This plot shows the total distance covered by all agents in the system for different influence sphere radii and seeds in dependence of the simulation time. This distance decreases rapidly when a jam starts. To investigate the radius' dependence on the total distance, the total plot was split up into three parts, each containing all simulations for one seed. One can see here that in seed 51, every simulation jammed independently of the radius. In seed 77, the larger radii jammed, on the other hand only the small radius crashed in seed 151.

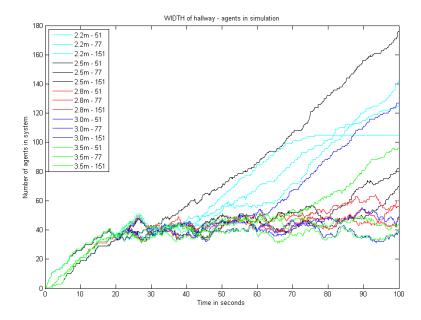


Figure 18: The plot shows the total number of agents in the system for different widths and seeds in dependence of the simulation time. This number exceeds an equilibrium value (around 40-50 agents) when a jam started. To show the total agent number's dependence on the hallway width, each seed to a certain width was coloured equally. Hallway widths used were 2.2, 2.5, 2.8, 3.0 and 3.5 m. One can see here that the narrower a hallway is, the more probable jams pop up, but from 2.8 meters on it mostly worked well.

But there are tendencies which are nevertheless visible: The most obvious thing is that there really is a equilibrium of people in the simulations when the simulation runs smoothly. This is where most of the graphs are. When a jam pops up, the number of agents starts to increase quite linearly because agents are spawned but can't reach the end of the hallway. The horizontal line is a clear sign that both spawn zones are clogged up.

In figure 19, the data sets for each seeds were averaged for better visibility. One can clearly see the tendency for narrower hallways to get more jams, although the others rise up too due to the average taken over equilibrium seeds and jam seeds.

The observed tendency was in accordance with what we expected, although we hoped for a bigger difference in the success rate.

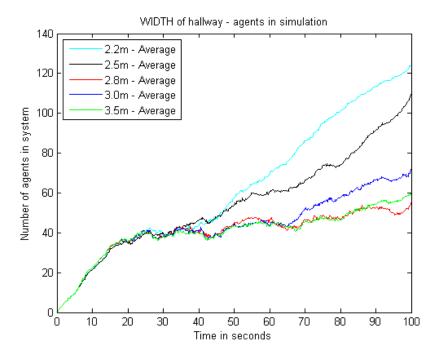


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The tendencies in this simulation series are quite obvious: The more narrow a hall-way gets, the higher the probability is to get stuck, which is observed because all the 2.2 and 2.5 meter wide simulations ended in jams. Also, two of the 2.8 meter hallway simulations ended in jams, but for wider hallways, only coincidence made jams possible.

One can derive from this, that there is a certain width that will mostly work and is between 2.8 and 3.0 meters. Anything higher won't be much of an improvement for the chosen densities, because the flux is already smooth but won't be faster. But as the hallway is narrowed, jams are inevitable.

7.3.5 Simulating measurements of the main station Zurich

The experiments were only analyzed visually by judging how well our model could cope with the given task and how it compared to the real observations. In figure 20, one final situation for each run is given as an example.

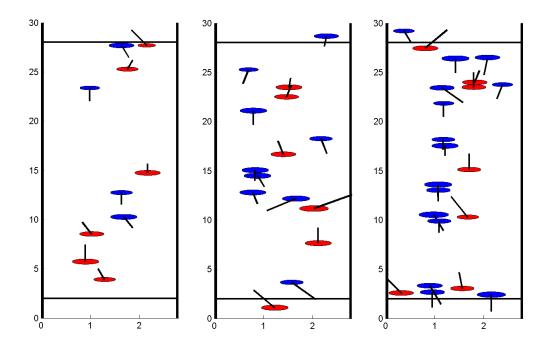


Figure 20: Exemplary pictures for the simulation of the long narrow hallway in the Zurich main station. Red agents are walking up and blue down, the black line denotes the actual velocity vector with its angle and length. The left was done with flux densities of 0.12/0.17, the middle with 0.34/0.275 and the right with 0.6/0.5 after a simulation time of 180 seconds. In all investigated situations, the agents managed to cross the hallway without significant hindrance from other agents.

For the first simulation series with a low people flux, the agents had no problems and could avoid collisions/walking into each other easily. This is in accordance with the observations.

For the second simulation series with a medium people flux, the agents had little problems crossing the hallway. The stop-and-go of the observation was only rarely seen, suggesting that the logic behind our model is actually quite good.

In the third simulation series with a high people flux, the agents had to stop sometimes while getting on the other side. But overall they could cope quite well with the task and the frequency of agents bumping into each other was quite slow and definitely in the same range as in real situations. Sometimes a small lane formation could be observed.

7.3.6 Simulation of a big inequality in the flux densities

The experiments were only analyzed visually by judging how well our model could cope with the given task. Some exemplary pictures are given in figure 21.

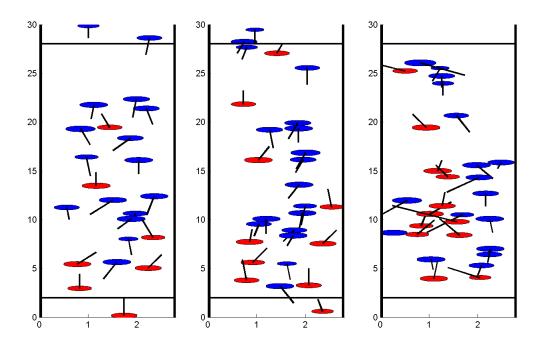


Figure 21: Exemplary pictures for the simulation of the long narrow hallway in the Zurich main station with highly unbalanced flux densities. Red agents are walking up and blue down, the black line denotes the actual velocity vector with its angle and length. The one on the left was done with flux densities of 1.0/0.2, the one in the middle with 1.0/0.3 and the one on the right with 1.0/0.4 after a simulation time of 180 seconds. The red agents (minority) were wandering about quite strong and usually formed small lanes.

For the densities 0.2/1 used in the first series, the overall success was satisfying. The agents walking up (red, minority) were wandering about quite strong due to all the oncoming blue agents. But even though the blue outnumbered the red agents 1:4,

the red agents stopped very rarely.

In the case of the densities being 0.3/1, the results were quite similar with those obtained by 0.2/1. But the tendency for the red agents to walk in lanes or small groups increased clearly, probably because there are more red agents which are shuffled together by the big number of blue agents trying to stomp their way through.

For the last considered case, the simulation failed in one case after approximatly 140 seconds (seed 51). The situation after 180 seconds is given in figure 22 as a classical example of how a jam looks like in our model. Before that and in the other two simulations, the red agents formed lanes and little groups very frequently as a way to not always get tossed over the whole width.

But the failure suggests that we reached about the limit which can be modelled with our simulation.

7.4 Discussion

7.4.1 Simulations

Overall, we were quite pleased with the results we got from our simulations as they mostly fulfilled our expectations. We could underscore the importance of the choice of a good set of parameters for our model to succeed. It is also possible, as in the case of DISPFACTOR, to change the result very drastically.

To address the question whether our model is a good description of the reality even if it cannot descide on itself whether it should start something like a cooperative mode including lane formation or adapt an egoistic approach, we would like to state that the model is only as intelligent as the one who uses it. We leave it to the user of the simulation to set reasonable (and therefore also realistic) values for the global parameters which should match the situation one would like to research.

The main simulations concerning the modelling of an actual situation was very satisfying as it performed at least as good as reality. A criticism onto our implementation of the main station in Zurich could be that the flux of people arriving is always kept constant. People familiar with the main station in Zurich would know that there is a pedestrian traffic light just in from of the Burger King, therefore the simulation should probably be adapted to allowing intermittent people spawning with different people flux densities just after the red or green light at the traffic light.

It should be highlighted that we saw a big overall performance improvement once we introduced the preference for lane formation. This can be interpreted as imple-

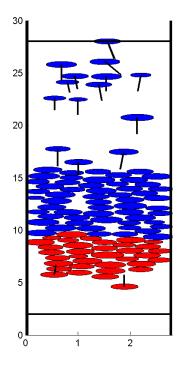


Figure 22: Exemplary pictures for a massive jam in our model. Red agents are trying walking up and blue down, the black line denotes the actual velocity vector with its angle and length. Parameters were flux densities 0.4/1 with a seed of 51. Our model has no way to resolve a jam like that.

menting a social norm which states that one should back down a little bit from the egoistic main goal of crossing as fast as possible but work together in order to get an acceptable result for everyone.

7.4.2 Discussion on various implementational issues

As we created and implemented our model from scratch, there are obviously some undealt issues that would need some refinement if one wants an even better performance of the simulation as such.

Probably the most important issue of all would be the need of implementing a smarter way to resolve standoffs or detect them earlier. We reckon that a good implementation of this should prove to be rather difficult as one has to distinguish between

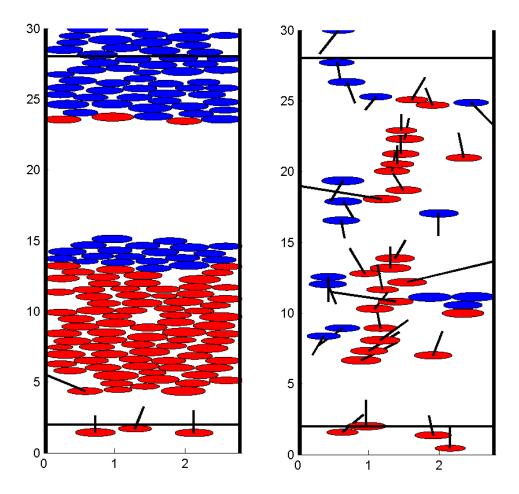


Figure 23: Graphical examples of instructive failures. Graphs were taken from the simulation series to test DISPERSIONFACTOR. In the left graph, we have in the top region the unrealistic situation where three agents block the whole hallway. On the right the earliest stage of a jam is visible with the three blue and one red agent standing in the middle at the right wall.

various cases with various ways to resolve them. This is visualized in figure 23 in the right graph. As soon as two (or more) agents totally immobilize each other, the are prone to form a jam.

One would probably have to introduce walking backwards to resolve these situations. The effect of not being able to walk backwards is given in figure 23 in the left graph on the top in a very instructive way. Three red agents were able to totally freeze the simulation at the top, something that would never happen in reality.

Another advantage of a good implementation would be that the runtime on the machine would not explode as it does with the current implementation as soon as a jam has formed. This is rooted in the consideration that all agents within a certain radius shall be considered. Then the logical routine would go over a lot of other agents, even though the agent will not be able to move anyway as he is stuck in a jam.

We used to different axis, a x- and a φ -axis as we thought this would make it significantly easier to model various aspects without the trouble of doing the transformation on paper and only use the φ -axis all the way. Also all angular values had to be discretized to their closest values the φ -axis has, which was done with the function closest.m. This works fine as long as the simulation runs smoothly, but as soon as a jam was formed, the number of calls of closest.m exploded. In one case, it was called over 2 million times for 1200 iteration steps in a simulation that had a matlab runtime of about 2 hours (with 4 Matlab instances running parallel).

It rarely happens during a simulation that an agent is in an impossible position. This is determined in the collision detection because the first of all calculated points is the position the agent stands on before moving. This was easier to implement and probably not significantly worse in system runtime than excluding it. In rare occasions, the collision detection determines that the agent could not stand at its actual position. We think that this happens due to some small roundoff errors or other computational mistakes.

If the agent is at an impossible position, its position would freeze and cause everything around him not to work properly anymore. We could not think of an effective algorithm to resolve these conflicts because they would probably involve setting back the simulation by some iteration steps and simply deleted the agent.

We knew that it was not an elegant solution but could settle on the argument that the simulation would otherwise crash. And as the freuency of this occurrence is really small, we also thought that the number of disappearing agents could be neglected. For long simulations, this may not hold true anymore.

8 Summary and Outlook

First of all, we can say that our simulation series showed that our own model works well. It may have its limitations we're well aware of, but it runs properly what it's supposed to do. A very nice point about our simulation is that it can be applied onto other problems quickly as for example by adding walls or specifying agents.

If one would want to go further with this project, there are some points clear enough where to start, but hard to do: It's to un-simplify our model. For example, insted of only walking forwards with an almost 180° vision could be changed to 360° of possibilities, but this would also require much more sophisticated path finding algorithms and couldn't be done that fast.

One thing we did not bear in mind until we were in a very final state of the coding process was the performance of our simulation. First tests showed that looping trough arrays, even if they are only a few 1000 entries large, is very slow. Following this, we could speed up the drawing part of our simulation by almost 200%. If one wants to simulate bigger environments with a huge number of agents and wall points, a faster approach of the Iteration implementation should be taken into consideration. Another point one might be interested in would be to embed groups into the model as in reality, groups of people flocking together are a common view. This would imply some kind of sticking-together algorithm such that the groups wouldn't be torn apart.

Another challenge would be to try to improve our weighing function. As seen in chapter hierVerweiszurinfluence - Sphere - Diskussion, our weighing function is a bit too focussed on agents very close to other agents and thinks less about agents in some distance.

In comparison to those improvements, adjusting the parameters to work better as an improvement almost seems easy. But also there, just the question "what is better and why?" can often not be answered clearly.

As for our fundamental research questions, we could investigate most of what was our interest. We showed in hierverweiszurwidth-diskussion, that wider hallways lead to better flux, if there are lots of jams. This can be seen in reality as for the Christmas market, Nordsee and Imagine put away their tables and chairs which leads to a good passenger flux even if there are lots of people.

We did not do lots of our originally planned simulations on specified agents like big/small, fast/slow agents because it turned out to be far more interesting to work with Gaussian distributed agents while investigating the dependency between the passenger flux and other influences as the hallway's width, the flux density and so on. Our own kind of intelligence, the agent being able to look ahead, worked out quite nicely. If there are not too many other agents, they'll find a way to transit the hallway without crashing, which is mostly what a commuter's thoughts are like. To sum up, we mostly found what we were looking for: A wider hallway leads to better pedestrian density, and egoists trying to overtake everybody can cause jams. In reality, we can't do much about all this, but it was nice having our thoughts confirmed.

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Appendix

A MATLAB HS2012 - Research Plan

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General Introduction

Annoyed by people rushing through the small corridor left in Zurich main station hall (the path between burger king and groups meeting point) during the Oktoberfest, market days, concerts and other occasions, we decided to have a look at pedestrian dynamics in hallways which are mostly crowded and narrow (3-4 meters in breadth) compared to normal days when the hall is empty, and where people walk through in opposite directions all the time. We want to have a look at how the pedestrian flux can be improved and how the walk-through time behaves during rush-hours, but also in the case of much more persons moving in one direction than in the other. Also, we want to have a look at the influences of aggressive, fast people in a rush, slowly moving obstacles like mothers with baby buggies and some drunkards, and try to figure out how to avoid jammings. Maybe we'll also implement a static obstacle to observe what happens. The simulation of problems like this will also help understand the phenomena of group dynamics which usually control and resolve such problems in real life.

The Model

We want to do an agent-based simulation of people moving through a long corridor (dimensions will be proportional to those encountered in our object, the Zurich main station). The people will primary want to move forwards at different speeds but also be able to move diagonally or even sideways if needed. A nice thing will be to try implementing agents being able to see some fields/meters ahead whether their path (assumed straight as long as possible) is free or not, and if they're about to crash into someone, try to avoid them. Independent variables in our model are the amount

of people per time arriving, the corridor and its obstacles and the characteristics of the agents like walking speed and aggressiveness. Dependent variables will be the amount of people leaving, which should in the end determine whether the people will be stuck or if they can get through. Should the amount of people leaving be smaller than those arriving (per time unit), one can expect a blockage. As a reference, we will use a simulation of a corridor without any obstacles and only few people. Then the collective success or failure of an other situation can be compared to this.

Fundamental Questions

- We try to simulate the pedestrian flux in the following different situations: Rush hour (danger of jamming), with an static obstacle, with aggressive/very fast or slow agents, random path agent (drunkard). Will the pedestrian flux run smoothly or will they block each other and be stuck?
- Will the implementation of a rudimentary kind of thinking/looking ahead help to avoid blockages? If possible, we may determine the limits for which the goal of passing is achieved with and without this implementation and compare them.
- Will there be group dynamics or similar behaviors of agents if they're only programmed to walk to the other side, each on his own?

Expected Results

We think that there will be lots of walking around left/right while trying to avoid other agents, and with rising amount of agents there will be more jams, this seems obvious. We think that in our simulation we'll have to deal with massive jams because the agents are not communicating with each other in any way. Implementation of "looking ahead" will probably improve the people flux but only to a limited range. Obstacles will also lead to more jams, whilst the drunkard simulation will for the amusement of our group.

References

Just some ideas where to get inspiration from:

- Project Suggestions 16 Pedestrian Dynamics 5 papers http://www.soms.ethz.ch/teaching/MatlabFall2012/projects/16-Pedestrian_Dynamics.zip (01.10.2012)
- Mehdi Moussaid Publications http://mehdimoussaid.com/publications.html (24.10.2012)

- \bullet Crowd-Flow-Optimization FS2012 https://github.com/nfloery/crowd-flow-optimization (01.10.2012)
- Train Jamming FS2011 https://github.com/msssm/Train_Jammin (01.10.2012)
- Airplane Evacuation / FS2011 https://github.com/msssm/Airplane_Evacuation_2011_FS (01.10.2012)

Research Methods

For our project, an agent-based model is the most satisfying because there we can really implement different speeds and directions. A disadvantage will be the complicated collision handling.

Other

For the measurements of the corridor, we'll go to the main station and measure it one afternoon when it's not fully crowded. We also could count the rate of incoming and leaving people during a rather relaxed afternoon and a crowded rush-hour.

B Additional figures

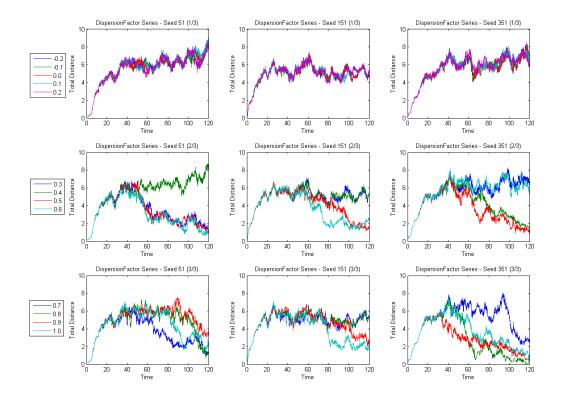


Figure 24: Another representation of figure 14, split up into a 3×3 composition for a better view on the single lines.

C Matlab source code

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%Run.m is a runscript for our project. It cleans up the workspace first
   % and then reinitialises a new copy of the simulation.m environment.
   %This copy can be accessed trough the sim variable. See the documentation
   % about the simulation.m to find out which modes are supported.
   %Example run:
   %run
9
   %Which runmode?
11
12
   %Input: normal / fasttest ... [optional parameters]
   %Save output [Y/N]? Y
13
   %Write data to:
14
   %Input: [file]
16
   %The programm should respond after this with some details about the
17
   %simulation:
18
19
   %Running normal mode:
20
21
   %And some time about the Simulation time:
22
23
   %Actual time on system: 15 h 39 min 4.424000e+00 sec
24
   %Time elapsed: 12 Seconds
25
26
   %Note: The time elapsed can vary with the perfomance of the host system!
27
28
   %After the simulation a "profile view" opens the profiler data to measure
29
   %the perfomance of the code, and the measurement results are available
30
   %trough different matrices inside of the sim object.
31
   %They can be used with a simle sim.[matrice] command.
32
33
34
   profile off
   profile on
35
36
   clear
37
   clc
   defineConstants();
38
39
   sim = simulation();
   sim.init()
40
41
   mode = input('Which_runmode?_', 's');
42
   ifSave = input('Save_output_[Y/N]?_', 's');
43
   if if Save == 'Y'
        outName = input('Write_data_to:_', 's');
45
        copyfile ('defineConstants.m', ['sim/' outName '.txt']);
46
        fileID = fopen(['sim/' outName '.txt'], 'a+');
47
        fprintf(fileID ,['\nMode_utilized:_' mode]);
48
        fclose (fileID);
49
50
51
52
   sim .runMode(mode);
53
   if if Save == 'Y'
54
        save(['sim/' outName '.mat']);
55
```

```
function [] = defineConstants()
2
       defineConstants defines all global constants that will be used later
   %
3
   %
       Change the constants with caution as the simulation can be very
4
   %
       sensitive to some changes. After the variable definition, a reliable
   %
       value is given with a short description of the influence of the
6
   %
       constant variable on the simulation. Consult the documentation for a
   %
       detailed description of the functioning of these constant variables.
8
9
   %
       ntbc* stands for not to be changed. Changing them anyway will probably
   %
       lead to a complete breakdown of the simulation.
10
11
  %
  %
       WARNING: The standard deviation for speed and radius has to be at least 3 times
12
       smaller than
   %
       the corresponding mean. Otherwise unlogical results in the form of
13
   %
       negative numbers will appear. This is not checked during the simulation.
14
       global ANGLE GAUSSANGLE XSCOPE XRES XVALUES DELTAT...
16
           HEIGHT SLOPEFACTOR WALLFACTOR AGENTANGLEOFFSET..
17
           WALLANGLEOFFSET INFLUENCESPHERE PRECISIONCOLLISION...
18
           SPEED MEANRADIUS STDRADIUS MEANSPEED STDSPEED WIDTH...
19
           YSPB1 YSPB2 YSPT1 YSPT2 REP DENSITYUP DENSITYDOWN...
20
           REPULSIONAGENT STANDOFF SEED DISPERSIONFACTOR LOOPS
21
   22
23
   %
       \% 120
       XSCOPE = 120;
                                                How far one looks to the sides
24
       XRES = 0.04;
                                      % 0.04
                                                 x-Resolution, possible angles for
           logical functions
       XVALUES = -XSCOPE: XRES: XSCOPE; \% ntbc*
                                                  Generate all possible x-values
26
                                      % 1
                                                  Standard deviation of Gaussian
27
       breite = 1;
           function determines the tendency to walk straightforwards
       GAUSSANGLE = gaussmf(XVALUES, [breite 0]); % ntbc* Generate Gaussian function for
28
            direction
       ANGLE = atan(XVALUES);
                                    % ntbc* Calculate angular values for Gaussian
           function
30
       HEIGHT = 4;
                                      % 4
                                              Normalization factor in logical
31
           calculations for agents
                                      % 8
                                              Parameter for other agents' influence
       SLOPEFACTOR = 8;
32
                                              Parameter for the repulsion between two
       REPULSIONAGENT = 2;
                                      % 2
33
           agents. The higher it is, the higher HEIGHT has to be
                                      \% -0.05 Parameter for walls' influence
       WALLFACTOR = -0.05;
34
       AGENTANGLEOFFSET = pi / 14;
                                      % pi/14 Offset angle in angle calculations for
35
           agents
       WALLANGLEOFFSET = pi/20;
                                     % pi/20 Offset angle in angle calculations for
36
                                              How far an agents "looks", in meters
       INFLUENCESPHERE = 2.5;
                                      \% 2.5
37
                                      % 4
       PRECISIONCOLLISION = 4;
                                              Numerical precision for collision
38
           detection
       STANDOFF = -0.5;
                                      \% -0.5 "Strength" to resolve standoffs, must be
39
            negative
       DISPERSIONFACTOR = 0.7;
                                     \% This constant variable determines the
40
           willingness of the agents to follow an agent in front of him walking in the
           same direction
                                      \% -0.2 A negative value will cause the agents
41
                                         to form lanes
                                      \% 0 No influence of the agent in front
42
                                      \% 0.3 or 0.7 The agents will try to overtake
43
                                          a slower agent in front of them. Prone to
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the formation of jams for high values
       DENSITYUP = 0.34;
                                        % 0.4
                                                 Flux density of people walking up (in
44
            people/sec)
       DENSITYDOWN = 0.275;
                                        % 0.4
                                                 Flux density of people walking down (in
            people/sec)
46
                                                 Mean radius of the agents
       MEANRADIUS = 0.25;
                                        \% 0.25
47
       STDRADIUS = 0.03;
                                        % 0.03
                                                 Standard deviation of the distribution
48
            of radii
       MEANSPEED = 1.5;
                                        % 1.5
                                                 Mean speed of the agents in meters/
49
           second
       STDSPEED = 0.25;
                                        \% 0.25
                                                 Standard deviation of the distribution
50
           of speeds
51
                                                 Width of the field
       WIDTH = 2.8;
                                         % 2.8
52
53
        YSPT2 = 30;
                                        % 30
                                                 Spawn line of the upper agents
       %YSPT2---
54
       %YSPT1-
55
        YSPT1 = 28;
                                        % 28
                                                 Arrival line for agents walking up
56
57
       %Field here
58
       %
59
60
        YSPB2 = 2;
                                        % 2
                                                 Arrival line for agents walking down
       %YSPB2---
61
       %YSPB1-
62
       YSPB1 = 0;
                                        % 0
                                                 Spawn line of the lower agents
63
64
65
       DELTAT = 0.1;
                                         \% 0.1
                                                 Iteration steps in seconds
                                                 Number of tries to spawn a new agent
       REP = 10;
                                        % 10
66
                                                 Number of iteration steps
67
       LOOPS = 1800;
                                         % 500
                                        %
                                                 Seed for random number generator
68
       SEED = 451;
                                        \% 0.001 Time delay between two iterations in
       SPEED = 0.001;
69
            seconds
70 end
```

```
classdef simulation < handle
       %This Class contains all the objects and data needed and generated for
2
       \% a simulation. its generated by the run script.
3
4
5
       %simulation allows different modes
       %Mode: normal - This mode does a slower calculation with many wall
6
       %points to calculate precise agent positioning
       \mbox{\em M}\mbox{\em ode} fasttest - This mode uses less wall points for the calculatin as
8
9
       % result it is faster but agents can shake a little bit
10
11
       %Parameters:
       % -nodirections: Disables the direction line of the agents for a better
12
       % general overview
13
14
       % -nograph: Does what it says.. A non graphical mode to save simulation
16
17
       %-report: This parameter lets the simulation generate more detailed
18
19
       % output code
20
21
22
        properties
23
            %Iteration properties
24
            loops;
25
26
           %Objects
27
            draw;
28
                                 %The drawing object
                                 %Defaultwert 200 kann mit Funktion berechnet werden
            agentSize = 200;
29
30
           %Booleans
31
            drawGraph = 1;
                                         %Draw graph decision boolean
32
            calcAdditionalReport = 0;
                                         %Additional report boolean
33
34
           %Results
35
                                         %tracks how many agents are spawned
36
            spawned;
            result;
                                         %the most important Data from iteration.m
37
38
            additionalresult;
                                         %more details aout the agents,
                                         %calculated in simulation.m
39
            evaluateDistance;
                                         %distance evaluation of the iteration.m
40
            evaluateTime;
                                         %Time evaluation of the iteration.m
41
42
43
            %Properties
            agentMinRadius = 0.25;
                                         %Minimaler Radius von einem Agent
44
45
            agentMaxSpeed;
                                         %Used to initialize agents max speed
46
47
48
        end
49
        methods
50
51
            %Function: Constructor, constructs the sim object and reads
52
           %the loops from the global declarations.
53
            function obj = simulation()
54
                global LOOPS
                obj.loops = LOOPS;
56
                obj.spawned = zeros(2,obj.loops);
57
            end
58
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59
        end
60
61
   %Public:
62
63
        methods (Access = public)
64
65
            %Function: Initialize the simulation object.
66
67
            %This Function allocates memory for some arrays and initializes the
            %Agents
68
            % Variables:
69
                 Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
70
             function obj = init(obj)
71
                 defineConstants(); %defne all global variables
                 global SEED DENSITYUP DENSITYDOWN DELTAT
73
74
                 rng(SEED);
                              % Set seed for random number generator
                 obj.draw = drawing.empty(1,0);
75
                 obj.draw = drawing();
                                         %create the drawing object
76
                 calcPossibleAgents(obj);
                 obj.evaluateDistance = zeros(1,ceil((DENSITYUP+DENSITYDOWN) * DELTAT *
78
                     obj.loops + 30));
79
                 obj.evaluateTime = zeros(1, ceil((DENSITYUP+DENSITYDOWN) * DELTAT * obj.
                     loops + 30);
80
                 obj.draw.agentArray = agent.empty(ceil((DENSITYUP+DENSITYDOWN) * DELTAT
81
                     * obj.loops + 30) ...
82
                      ,0);
83
84
   %
                    obj.draw.agentArray = agent.empty(obj.agentSize ...
85
   %
86
            end
87
88
89
            %Function: This Function converts the input parameters to some
90
91
            %project specific booleans to enable or disable some functions or
            %to modify the speed of the simulation
92
93
            %Variables:
                Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
94
                         - the mode string to parse
95
                mode
             function obj = runMode(obj, mode)
96
97
                   if(isempty(strfind(mode, '-nodirections')) == 0)
98
                       disp ('MODE: _keine_Richtungsanzeige');
99
100
                       obj.draw.drawP = 0;
                   end
101
                   if(isempty(strfind(mode, '-nograph')) == 0)
103
                       disp('MODE: _kein_Graph');
104
                       obj.drawGraph = 0;
106
                   end
107
108
                   if(isempty(strfind(mode, '-report')) == 0)
                       disp('MODE: _zusätzlicher_report');
                       obj.calcAdditionalReport = 1;
                   end
112
113
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if (isempty(strfind(mode, 'normal')) == 0)
114
                       obj.draw.particleDensity = 4;
                       obj.draw.createWall();
116
                     disp('Running_normal_mode:');
117
118
                     run(obj);
                   elseif (isempty(strfind(mode, 'fasttest')) == 0)
119
                     disp('Running_fast_mode_with_reduced_wall_points:');
120
                     obj.draw.particleDensity = 1;
                     obj.draw.createWall();
123
                     run(obj);
                   else
124
                     disp('unknown_mode');
                   end
126
            end
128
129
            %Function: This function calculates more details about the agents
130
            %Enable it with the parameter -report
            %Variables:
                Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
                         - the current ime step
134
            %Results: (saved in additionalResults)
            %row1: total distance traveled during this step
136
            %row2: sum of agents in the system
137
             function obj = additionalReport(obj, step)
139
                 global DELTAT;
140
                 sortedPrioArray = getSortedPriorityArray(getPriorityArray(obj.draw.
141
                     agentArray));
                 for i = sortedPrioArray;
142
                     way = abs(obj.draw.agentArray(i).actSpeed)*DELTAT;
143
                     obj. additionalresult (1, step) = obj. additionalresult (1, step)+ way; %
144
                         Gesammtweg aufsummieren
145
                 obj. additionalresult (2, step) = size (sortedPrioArray, 2);
146
            end
147
148
        end
149
    %
150
   %Private:
        methods (Access = private)
154
            %Function: This function calculates the maximum of possible agents
156
            %for the current playfield this is used to predefine the array of
            %agents
            %Variables:
                Object
                         - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
159
             function obj = calcPossibleAgents(obj)
160
                 obj.agentSize = floor((obj.draw.width*obj.draw.length)/...
161
162
                     (3*obj.agentMinRadius^2));
163
164
            %Function: This Function returns -1 or +1 randomly (used to
            %randomize the spawn , top or bot
166
            %Variables:
167
                Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
168
            \%Result:
169
```

```
randOut -the number(-1 \text{ or } +1)
             function randOut = randPrefix(obj)
                randOut = randi(2);
                 if (randOut == 2)
173
174
                     randOut = 1;
                     randOut = -1;
                end
178
             \quad \text{end} \quad
180
             %Function: This function fills up the agent array with new agent
181
             % objects. All agents have priority 0, which means they exist but are not
182
             %into the actual calculation.
183
             %Variables:
184
185
             % Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
             function obj = initialSpawn(obj)
186
                 sze = size(obj.draw.agentArray);
187
188
                  for i = 1:(sze)
189
                     %For testing
190
191
                     %obj.draw.length
                      %obj.draw.width
192
193
                     %obj.draw.agentArray(i) = agent(0.25, obj.draw.width*rand()...
                            , obj.draw.length*rand(),10000,1)
194
195
196
                      obj.draw.agentArray(i) = agent(0.01, 0, 0, \dots)
197
                          obj.agentMaxSpeed, 0);
198
                  end
199
             end
200
201
202
             %Spawne einen neuen Agent
203
               function obj = addNewAgentsToArray(obj, currentStep)
204
205
    %
                    if (balanceProbability(obj) == 1)
    %
                        pfx = randPrefix(obj);
206
    %
                        if(pfx == 1)
207
    %
208
                            %Unten gespawnt
    %
                            obj.spawned(2,currentStep) = obj.spawned(currentStep) +1;
209
210
    %
                        else
    %
                            %Oben gespawnt
211
212
    %
                             obj.spawned(1,currentStep) = obj.spawned(currentStep) +1;
    %
213
214
    %
                        spawn (obj. draw. agent Array, pfx);
    %
                    end
215
    %
               end
216
217
218
             %Function: This function spawns new agents into the simulation. it
219
220
             %uses the spawn.m to randomly get a new free position. If and where
221
             %the agent is spawned depends on the probabilities (See globals)
222
             %Variables:
                 Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
223
                 currentStep -the currentStep of the simulation, used for the
224
                 spawned report function
225
             function obj = addNewAgentsToArray(obj, currentStep)
226
227
                  [probOben probUnten] = balanceProbability(obj);
```

```
if (probOben == 1)
228
229
                     obj.spawned(1,currentStep) = obj.spawned(currentStep) +1;
                     spawn (obj.draw.agentArray,1);
230
231
232
                 if (probUnten == 1)
                     obj.spawned(2,currentStep) = obj.spawned(currentStep) +1;
233
234
                     spawn(obj.draw.agentArray, -1);
                 end
236
             end
237
238
            %Function: If the threshold from the globals (can be different for
239
             %top and bottom) is reached it returns true, otherwise false. This
240
            %results in a new agent trough the addNewAgentsToArray() function.
241
             %Variables:
242
243
                Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
            %Result:
244
                 probOben - boolean if its necessary to spawn at top
245
                 probUnten - boolean if its necessary to spawn at bottom
246
             function [probOben probUnten] = balanceProbability(obj)
247
                 global DENSITYUP DENSITYDOWN DELTAT
248
249
                 %Genähert kommen genau im schnitt density agents
                 if (rand(1) > 1-DELTAT*DENSITYUP)
250
251
                     probUnten = 1; % Von unten nach oben
252
253
                     probUnten = 0;
254
                 end
255
                 if (rand(1) > 1-DELTAT*DENSITYDOWN)
                     probOben = 1; % Von oben nach unten
256
                 else
257
                     probOben = 0;
258
                 end
260
             end
261
262
263
            %Function: Main procedure, this function contains the loop trough
             %the smulation. It calls all the other functions in the project
264
             %such as draw the map and add new agents or determine the direction
265
            %and the speed of the existing agents.
266
            % Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
267
268
             function obj = run(obj)
                 global SPEED DELTAT;
269
                 obj.result = zeros(2,obj.loops);
                 %Speicher für additionale resultate
271
272
                 if (obj.calcAdditionalReport == 1)
                     obj.additionalresult = zeros(2, obj.loops);
273
274
275
                 initialSpawn(obj);
276
277
278
                 for i = 1:obj.loops
                     if (mod(i, floor(DELTAT * obj.loops)) == 0)
279
280
                          c = clock;
                          fprintf('Actual\_time\_on\_system: _%d\_h\_%d\_min_%d\_sec \n', c(4), c(5),
281
282
                          fprintf('Time_elapsed: _%i _Seconds _\n', (DELTAT*i))
                     end
283
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\left[\,obj.\,result\,(1\,,i\,)\,,\ obj.\,result\,(2\,,i\,)\,,\ obj.\,evaluateDistance\,,\ obj\,.
284
                                 evaluateTime] = ...
                                 Iteration \, (\, obj. draw. agent Array \, , \dots
285
                                 obj.draw.wallArray, obj.evaluateDistance, obj.evaluateTime);
286
287
288
289
                           addNewAgentsToArray(\,obj\;,\;\;i\;)\;;
                           pause(SPEED);
290
291
                           if (obj.drawGraph == 1)
292
293
                                 obj.draw.plotStep();
294
295
296
                           if (obj.calcAdditionalReport == 1)
                                 additionalReport(obj, i);
297
298
                           end
299
                      end
300
301
                      \verb| ind = find(obj.evaluateDistance == 0,1); \\
302
                      if (\operatorname{size}(\operatorname{ind}, 2) = 0) \mid | (\operatorname{ind} = 1)
303
                           obj.\ evaluateDistance\ =\ obj.\ evaluateDistance\ (1:(ind-1))\ ;
304
305
306
                      ind = find(obj.evaluateTime == 0,1);
                      if (\operatorname{size}(\operatorname{ind}, 2) = 0) \mid | (\operatorname{ind} = 1)
307
                           obj.evaluateTime = obj.evaluateTime(1:(ind-1));
308
309
                      end
310
311
                end
312
313
314
315
316
           end
317
318
     end
```

```
%This class can draw the current agent positions onto a graph. The agents
   %are simplified as cyrcles. Every agent has another line indicator which is
   %the speed and the angle of its movement.
   %The drawing class contains the reference to the array of agents. It also
   %generates the wall agents direct in its contructor.
   classdef drawing < handle
8
9
       properties(SetAccess = public, GetAccess = public)
           %Details about this plot
10
            title = 'Plot';
                                         %not implemented
            xAxisTitle = 'xAxis';
12
                                         %not implemented
            yAxisTitle = 'yAxis';
                                         %not implemented
13
            xStretchFactor = 5;
                                         %stretches the x-axis to get a better overwiew
14
16
           %care: if stretched, the cycles will apear as an oval!
17
18
19
            particleDensity = 10;
                                         %wall agent density
            wallRadius = 0.005;
                                         %diameter of the wall = 2x wallRadius
20
            drawP = 1;
                                         %P = Direction of Attraction =)
21
22
23
           %Field definitions:
24
            width = 2.8;
                                         %in meters
            length = 30;
                                         %in meters
25
            wallDia = 0.05;
                                         %in meters
27
28
           %Note difference beween wallDia and wallRadius:
           %Radius is used for the agents, diameter for the drawing of the
29
           %wall.
30
31
           %the spawn-zone:
32
33
34
           Wwe need this zone because otherwise agents could be spawned direct
           %on top of arriving agents from the other side.
35
36
            spawnZoneDistanceTop = 2.5; %in meters
            spawnZoneDistanceBot = 2.5; %in meters
37
38
39
                                    %reference to the wall agents
40
            wallArray;
41
            agentArray;
                                    %reference to the agents
42
43
           %Testdata
           %Used to test the drawing
44
45
            testAgents;
            testWall;
46
47
            activateTesting = 0;
       end
48
49
50
       methods
51
52
           %Constructor
           %Function: Creates a new drawing object. For this task,
           %several global constants are loaded into the object.
54
           %Also creates random agents if the testing mode is activated.
56
           %Variables:
              Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
57
            function obj = drawing()
58
```

```
59
60
                 %Setup the Playfield
                 global YSPT2 YSPT1 YSPB1 YSPB2 WIDTH
61
                 obj.width = WIDTH;
62
63
                 obj.length = YSPT2;
                 obj.spawnZoneDistanceTop = YSPT2 - YSPT1;
64
65
                 obj.spawnZoneDistanceBot = YSPB2 - YSPB1;
66
67
                 %Create testagents
                 if (obj.activateTesting)
68
                     obj.testAgents = agent.empty(200,0);
69
70
                    for k=1:200
71
                         obj.testAgents(k)= agent(0.25, obj.width*rand(), obj.length*rand()
                             ,10000,1);
73
74
                   obj.agentArray = obj.testAgents;
75
77
                 createWall(obj);
78
79
             end
80
81
            %Set the agents
             function obj = set.agentArray(obj, value)
82
83
                 obj.agentArray = value;
84
             end
85
            %Set the wall
86
87
             function obj = set.wallArray(obj, value)
88
                 obj.wallArray = value;
89
90
91
        end
92
93
        methods(Access = public)
94
95
            %Function: This Function creates the wall dummy - agents
96
97
            %The positioning and the ammount are dynamically calculated based on
98
            %the particle density (constant)
            %Variables:
99
100
                 Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
             function obj = createWall(obj)
                 obj.wallArray = agent.empty(2*obj.length*obj.particleDensity,0);
                 for k=1:(obj.length*obj.particleDensity)
                     %left wall
104
105
                    obj.wallArray(2*k-1) = agent(obj.wallRadius, 0, ((k-1)/obj.
                        particleDensity),0,0);
                    obj.wallArray(k*2)..
106
                    = \ agent (obj.wallRadius, obj.width, ((k-1)/obj.particleDensity), 0, 0);\\
107
108
                 end%end create wall
109
             end
111
            \% Function\colon This function plots one timestep onto the selected graph.
            %To create an animation call this function in a for loop and
113
```

```
%implement some agent logic. (for an example implementation see simulation.m
114
            \%the run function.
            %Variables:
116
117
            % Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
             function obj= plotStep(obj)
118
119
                 %Clear the graph window
120
                 clf;
123
                 sizeA = size(obj.agentArray,2); %Determine the size of the agent array
124
                 sizeW = size(obj.wallArray,2); %Determine the size of the wall agent
                 if obj.activateTesting
126
127
                     sizeA
                     sizeW
128
                 end
130
                 %1 = X coordinates
                 \%2 = Y coordinates
                 \%3 = color
132
                 %For wall painting use this:
134
135
                 %coords = zeros(sizeA+ sizeW,4);
                 for i = 1: sizeA
136
137
                      if (sign (obj.agentArray(i).maxSpeed) = -1)
                         color = 'blue';
138
139
                          color = 'red';
140
                      end
141
142
                     %Draw only if the priority of the agent != 0
143
                     %Priority 0 means that this agent is inactive,
144
145
                     %see agent.m
                     if(obj.agentArray(i).priority ~= 0)
146
                     circlePlot(obj, obj.agentArray(i).cordX,...
147
                        obj.agentArray(i).cordY,...
148
                         obj.agentArray(i).radius,...
149
150
                         color);
                    %Draw the direction indicator lines
154
                    %The line is longer if the agent is faster and points to the
                    %direction the specific agent wants to move.
156
                    if(obj.drawP == 1)
                        drawLine(obj, obj.agentArray(i).cordX,...
                             obj.agentArray(i).cordY,...
158
159
                             obj.agentArray(i).cordX+...
                             sin(obj.agentArray(i).angle)*obj.agentArray(i).actSpeed , . . .
160
                             obj.agentArray(i).cordY+..
161
                             cos(obj.agentArray(i).angle)*obj.agentArray(i).actSpeed);
162
163
                    end
164
                   end
                 end
165
166
167
                   for i = (sizeA+1):(sizeA+sizeW)
168
   %
                        coords(i,1)=obj.wallArray(i-sizeA).cordX;
169
```

```
%
                          coords(i,2)=obj.wallArray(i-sizeA).cordY;
170
171
    %
                     end
    %
172
173
174
                   %Setup the graph window: This is matlab specific code and has
                   %nothing to do with the implementation.
                   xlim ([0, obj.width])
                   ylim ([0, obj.length])
178
                   daspect ([1, obj.xStretchFactor,1]) %stretch the window
179
                   %The wall drawing:
180
                   drawWallSquares(obj, obj.width, obj.length, obj.wallDia);
181
182
                   %Draw start and end lines:
183
                   %Line at the bottom
184
                   drawLine(obj, 0+obj.wallDia...
185
                         obj.spawnZoneDistanceBot, obj.width- obj.wallDia, ...
186
                       obj.spawnZoneDistanceBot);
187
                  %Line at the top
189
                  drawLine(obj, 0+obj.wallDia...
190
191
                          obj.length-obj.spawnZoneDistanceTop, obj.width-obj.wallDia, ...
                       obj.length-obj.spawnZoneDistanceTop);
192
193
              end
194
195
         end
196
197
          %Those methods are simple function calls from the matlab api to
198
          %draw all the geometric shapes:
           methods(Access = private)
199
200
201
              %Function: Draws side wall squares with the given parameters
202
              %Variables:
203
                   width
                            - the width of the field
204
205
                   height - the height of the field
                   wallDi .. - the desired wall diameter
206
                   Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
207
208
              function obj = drawWallSquares(obj, width, height, wallDiameter)
                   rectangle ('Position', [0,0,...
209
210
                        wallDiameter, height],...
                       'FaceColor', 'black');
211
212
                  rectangle ('Position', [width-wallDiameter, 0,...
213
214
                        wallDiameter, height],...
                       'FaceColor', 'black');
215
              end
216
217
              %Function: Draws a circle with the given parameters
218
              % Variables:
219
              %
220
                  \mathbf{x}
                             - the x coordinate of the center
221
                            - the y coordinate of the center
                  v
              %
                   radius
                            - the radius of the circle
                            - fill color of the circle
                   color
223
                   Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
224
              \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{function} & \textbf{obj} = \texttt{circlePlot}(\texttt{obj}, x, \ y, \ \texttt{radius}, \ \texttt{color}) \\ & \texttt{rectangle}(\texttt{'Position'}, [x-(\texttt{radius}), y-(\texttt{radius}), \dots) \end{array}
225
226
227
                        radius *2, radius *2],...
```

```
'Curvature',[1,1],...
'FaceColor',color);
228
229
230
                   end
231
                  \% Function:
                                       draws a single line with the given parameters
232
                  %Variables:
233
234
                  % x1
                                     -\mathbf{x} coordinate of endpoint 1
                  %
                        y1
                                     -y coordinate of endpoint 1
235
236
                  %
                        x2
                                     -x coordinate of endpoint 2
                        y2 -y coordinate of endpoint 2
Object - the object of this instance (matlab specific)
                  %
237
238
                   \begin{array}{ll} \textbf{function} & \textbf{obj} \; = \; drawLine (\, \textbf{obj} \; , \; \; \textbf{x1} \; , \textbf{y1} \; , \; \; \textbf{x2} \; , \textbf{y2} \, ) \end{array}
239
                       array = [x1, y1; x2, y2];
240
                       line(array(:,1),array(:,2), [0;0],'Color','black', ...
'LineWidth', 2);
241
242
                     % get(1)
243
                   end
244
245
246
247
              end
248
     end
```

```
classdef agent < handle
2
   %
        The class agent represents the agents used in the simulation. An agent
   %
3
        is basically a container for all properties an agent needs to interact
4
   %
        with other agents.
   %
   %
       A short explanation is given behind each property. See the
6
   %
        documentation for a more complete descrition of them.
   %
8
9
   %
        The first six properties are crucial for the success of the simulation.
   %
        The latter three are used for monitoring and analysis.
10
11
12
        properties(GetAccess = public, SetAccess = public)
                    %
                         "Size" (radius) of an agent
           radius
13
           \operatorname{cord} X
                    %
                         Actual x-coordinate
14
                         Actual y-coordinate
           cordY
16
           maxSpeed %
                         Maximal velocity the agent wants to reach. + mean walking up, -
               walking down.
           actSpeed %
                         Actual velocity
17
                         Priority of the agent. Determines the order of evalutation
           priority %
18
               during the iteration. O for inactive agents
19
20
           angle
                    %
                         Angle of sight, given by the logic functions
21
           distance %
                         Covered distance of an agent during his lifetime
22
           time
                    %
                        Time an agent spends in the simulation
        end
23
25
26
        methods(Access = public)
27
            function obj = agent(radius, cordX, cordY, maxSpeed, priority) % Construktor
28
29
                obj.radius = radius;
                obj.cordX = cordX;
30
                obj.cordY = cordY
31
32
                obj.maxSpeed = maxSpeed;
                obj.actSpeed = maxSpeed;
33
34
                obj.priority = priority;
                obj.angle = 0;
35
36
                obj.distance = 0;
37
                obj.time = 0;
38
            end
39
            function obj = reset(obj)
40
41
                obj.distance = 0; %reset distance
            end
42
43
        end
44
45
46
   end
```

```
function [topOut, botOut, outDistArray, outTimeArray] = Iteration( agentsArray,
       wallArray, distArray, timeArray)
   %
2
       Funktion ruft die Funktion logicFunction auf
   %
       Muss mit einer Prioritätenliste auf alle Agents ausgeweitet werden
3
4
   %
       distArray: Speichere die zurückgelegte Weglänge eines Agents wenn er
5
   %
       gelöscht wird
6
       global INFLUENCESPHERE PRECISIONCOLLISION DELTAT YSPT1 YSPB2
7
8
        dist = linspace (0,1, PRECISIONCOLLISION);
9
       topOut=0;
11
       botOut=0:
       prioArray = getPriorityArray(agentsArray);
12
       sortedPrioArray = getSortedPriorityArray(prioArray);
13
       lenSort = length(sortedPrioArray);
14
15
       lenWall = length(wallArray);
16
       for k = sortedPrioArray
17
            angleShift = logicFunction(agentsArray, k, INFLUENCESPHERE, prioArray,
18
                wallArrav):
19
20
           %Kollisionstest
            xCordNeu = agentsArray(k).cordX + sin(angleShift) * DELTAT * agentsArray(k).
21
                maxSpeed * dist;
            yCordNeu = agentsArray(k).cordY + cos(angleShift) * DELTAT * agentsArray(k).
22
                maxSpeed * dist;
            distMat = zeros(lenSort+lenWall, PRECISIONCOLLISION+1);
23
            for 1 = sortedPrioArray
24
                if (((agentsArray(k).cordX - agentsArray(l).cordX)^2 + (agentsArray(k).
25
                    cordY - agentsArray(1).cordY)^2) > (INFLUENCESPHERE *
                    INFLUENCESPHERE)) | | (1 == k)
                    continue
26
                end
27
                distMat(1,:) = [(sqrt((xCordNeu - agentsArray(1).cordX).^2 + (yCordNeu -
2.8
                     agentsArray(1).cordY).^2) - agentsArray(k).radius - agentsArray(1).
                    radius), -1; %-1 als Sentinel
            end
29
            for l = (lenSort+1):(lenSort+lenWall)
30
31
                lneu = l-lenSort;
                if (((agentsArray(k).cordX - wallArray(lneu).cordX)^2 + (agentsArray(k).
32
                    cordY - wallArray(lneu).cordY)^2) < (INFLUENCESPHERE *
                    INFLUENCESPHERE))
                    distMat(l,:) = [(sqrt((xCordNeu - wallArray(lneu).cordX).^2 + (
                        yCordNeu - wallArray(lneu).cordY).^2) - agentsArray(k).radius -
                        wallArray(lneu).radius), -1; %-1 als Sentinel
34
                end
            end
35
            distMat = sort(distMat);
36
37
           \max L = \text{find} (\text{distMat}(1,:) < 0, 1) - 1;
38
39
40
            if maxL == 0 % Sollte eigentlich nicht passieren, dann ist ein Fehler in
                der Iteration geschehen. Loesche den Agent, da er sich nicht bewegen
                kann, da ein anderer Agent auf seiner Position steht
                agentsArray(k).priority = 0;
41
42
                agentsArray(k).distance = 0;
                fprintf('Ein_Agent_ist_in_einer_unmöglichen_Position._Agent_gelöscht\n')
43
44
                continue
```

```
45
            end
            %neue koordinante setzen
47
            agentsArray(k).distance = agentsArray(k).distance + sqrt((xCordNeu(maxL) -
48
                agentsArray(k).cordX)^2 + (yCordNeu(maxL) - agentsArray(k).cordY)^2);
            agentsArray(k).cordX = xCordNeu(maxL);
49
            agentsArray(k).cordY = yCordNeu(maxL);
50
            agentsArray(k).angle = angleShift;
52
            agentsArray(k).time = agentsArray(k).time + DELTAT;
            if (agentsArray(k).cordY < YSPB2 && agentsArray(k).maxSpeed < 0) %von oben
54
                nach unten, grenze erreicht
               agentsArray(k).priority = 0;
55
               agentsArray(k).actSpeed = 0;
56
               %evaluateAgent(agent);
57
                botOut = botOut +1;
58
                test = find(distArray == 0,1);
                if size(test, 2) = 0
60
                     fprintf('Distanzarray_ist_zu_kurz\n')
61
62
                else
                     distArray(test) = agentsArray(k).distance;
63
64
                end
                test = find(timeArray == 0,1);
65
66
                 if size (test, 2) == 0
                     fprintf('Distanzarray_ist_zu_kurz\n')
67
68
                     timeArray(test) = agentsArray(k).time;
69
                end
70
71
                agentsArray(k).time = 0;
                agentsArray(k).distance = 0;
72
                prioArray = getPriorityArray(agentsArray);
73
            elseif (agentsArray(k).cordY > YSPT1 && agentsArray(k).maxSpeed > 0) %von
74
                unten nach oben, grenze erreicht
               agentsArray(k).priority = 0;
               agentsArray(k).actSpeed = 0;
76
               %evaluateAgent(agent);
               topOut \, = \, topOut \, + \, 1;
78
                 test = find(distArray == 0,1);
80
                if size (test, 2) = 0
                     fprintf('Distanzarray_ist_zu_kurz\n')
81
82
                else
                     distArray(test) = agentsArray(k).distance;
83
84
                test = find(timeArray == 0,1);
85
86
                if size (test, 2) = 0
                     fprintf('Distanzarray_ist_zu_kurz\n')
87
                else
88
                     timeArray(test) = agentsArray(k).time;
89
                end
90
                agentsArray(k).time = 0;
91
                agentsArray(k).distance = 0;
92
93
                prioArray = getPriorityArray(agentsArray);
94
            else
                agentsArray(k).actSpeed = agentsArray(k).maxSpeed() * (maxL - 1) / (
95
                    PRECISIONCOLLISION -1);
            \quad \text{end} \quad
96
        end
97
98
```

```
99 outTimeArray = timeArray;
100 outDistArray = distArray;
101 end
```

```
function [angleOut] = logicFunction( agentsArray, agentPosition, influenceSphere,
       priorityArray , wallArray )
   %
2
        Funktion berechnet die Richtung, in die ein Agent gehen wird. Mögliche
   %
       Werte liegen zwischen -pi/2 bis pi/2, wobei 0 nach rechts bedeutet und
3
   %
4
       180 nach links.
   %
       agentPosition gibt an, für welchen Agent dass es gemacht werden soll.
5
   %
       influenceSphere gibt an, wie gross der betrachtete Halbkreis eines
6
   %
       Arrays ist
8
   %
       Funktion summiert die einzelnen Einflüsse aller anderen Agents, welche
       innerhalbt der influenceSphere sind. Danach werden die Einflüsse aller
   %
9
10
   %
       Wandagents innerhalb der influenceSphere addiert. Anschliessend wird
   %
11
       das Maximum dieser entstehenden Funktion genommen und der entsprechende
   %
       Winkel zurückgegeben.
12
   %
       This function calculates the direction in which an agent will move.
14
15
   %
       Possible values are between -pi/2 to pi/2 whereby 0 means to the right
   %
       and 180 to the left.
16
   %
       agentPosition indicates for which agent it will be done.
17
   %
       influenceSphere indicates, how big the regarded semi cycle of an array
18
   %
19
   %
       The function summs up the different influences of every agent that is
20
21
   %
       inside of the influenceSphere. After this step the influences of the
        wall-agents inside the influenceSphere are added. In the end, the
22
23
   %
       maximum of these resulting functions is calculated and a resulting
   %
       angle is returned.
24
       global ANGLE GAUSSANGLE DISPERSIONFACTOR
       len = length(agentsArray);
26
27
       radius = zeros(len,1);
28
       sumXaxis = GAUSSANGLE;
29
       if len > 0 %Sollte eigentlich immer erfüllt sein
30
            for i = 1:len
31
                radius(i) = agentsArray(i).radius;
32
33
            maxRadius = max(radius);
34
            if influenceSphere < (3*maxRadius)
35
                influenceSphere = 3*maxRadius;
36
37
38
            for i = 1:len %Durch den Array mit allen Agenten durchgehen
39
40
                if i ~= agentPosition && priorityArray(i) ~= 0
                    deltaY \,=\, agentsArray\,(\,i\,)\,.\,cordY\,\,-\,\,agentsArray\,(\,agentPosition\,)\,.\,cordY\,;
41
42
                    deltaX = agentsArray(i).cordX - agentsArray(agentPosition).cordX;
                    distance = sqrt(deltaX^2 + deltaY^2);
43
44
                    if distance < influenceSphere && (sign(agentsArray(agentPosition).
45
                        maxSpeed) * agentsArray(i).cordY) > (sign(agentsArray(
                        agentPosition).maxSpeed) * agentsArray(agentPosition).cordY)
46
                        angleXY = atan(deltaX/deltaY);
47
48
49
                        [alpha,indexX] = closest (ANGLE, angleXY);
                        alpha = (pi/2 - alpha); % Alpha umrechnen in das Alpha,
50
                            welches für die Berechnung der Betawinkel benötigt wird (
                            siehe Dokumentation)
51
                        radiusSum = agentsArray(agentPosition).radius + agentsArray(i).
                            radius;
```

```
53
54
                         if (sign(agentsArray(i).actSpeed) == 0) %Anderer Agent bleibt
56
                             diffVelocity = -abs(agentsArray(i).actSpeed);
   %
                          elseif (sign(agentsArray(i).actSpeed) + sign(agentsArray(
57
        agentPosition). actSpeed)) = 0 || ((abs(agentsArray(agentPosition).actSpeed) -
        abs(agentsArray(i).actSpeed)) > 0) %Agents laufen in unterschiedliche Richtung
58
                         elseif (sign(agentsArray(i).actSpeed) + sign(agentsArray(
                             agentPosition).actSpeed)) = 0 %Agents laufen in
                             unterschiedliche Richtung
                             diffVelocity = -abs(agentsArray(i).actSpeed - agentsArray(
59
                                 agentPosition).actSpeed);
                         elseif ((abs(agentsArray(agentPosition).actSpeed) - abs(
                             agentsArray(i).actSpeed)) > 0)
                             diffVelocity = -abs(agentsArray(i).actSpeed - agentsArray(
61
                                 agentPosition).actSpeed) * DISPERSIONFACTOR;
                         else %Agents laufen in gleiche Richtung oder einer bleibt stehen
62
                             diffVelocity = abs(agentsArray(i).actSpeed - agentsArray(
63
                                 agentPosition).actSpeed);
64
65
                         [betaLeft, betaRight] = getBeta(radiusSum, alpha, distance);
66
67
                         if sign(agentsArray(agentPosition).actSpeed) == 0
                             moving = 0;
68
69
                         elseif abs(sign(agentsArray(agentPosition).actSpeed) + sign(
                             agentsArray(i).actSpeed)) = 2 %Agents laufen in die gleiche
                              Richtung
                             moving = 1;
70
                         else
71
                             moving = 2;
72
                        end
73
74
                         sumXaxis = sumXaxis + xValuesLogic(indexX, distance, betaLeft,
                             betaRight, diffVelocity, radiusSum, moving);
                        %angleOut = sumXaxis %Für debugging
76
                    end
77
                end
            end
79
80
81
        end
82
83
        lenWall = length(wallArray);
        if lenWall > 0
84
85
            for i = 1:lenWall
                deltaY = wallArray(i).cordY - agentsArray(agentPosition).cordY;
86
                deltaX = wallArray(i).cordX - agentsArray(agentPosition).cordX;
87
                distance = sqrt (deltaX^2 + deltaY^2);
                if \ distance < influence Sphere \ \&\& \ (sign (agents Array (agent Position).
89
                    maxSpeed) * wallArray(i).cordY) > (sign(agentsArray(agentPosition).
                    maxSpeed) * agentsArray(agentPosition).cordY)
                         angleXY = atan(deltaX/deltaY);
90
                         [alpha, ~] = closest (ANGLE, angleXY);
91
                         alpha = (pi/2 - alpha);
92
                         [betaLeft, betaRight] = getBeta(radius(agentPosition) +
93
                             wallArray(i).radius, alpha, distance);
94
```

```
95
                                       sumXaxis \, = \, sumXaxis \, + \, xWallLogic (\, distance \, , \, \, betaLeft \, , \, \, betaRight \, , \, \,
                                              agentsArray(agentPosition).radius);
                          \quad \text{end} \quad
96
                          %plot(ANGLE, sumXaxis);
97
98
                   \quad \text{end} \quad
99
             end
             [~,indexAngle] = max(sumXaxis);
angleOut = ANGLE(indexAngle);
100
101
102
      end
```

```
function \ [ \ xOut \ ] \ = \ xValuesLogic ( \ indexX \, , \ distance \, , \ betaLeft \, , \ betaRight \, ,
        diffVelocity, radiusSum, isMoving)
        Berechnet die Werte für die Berechnung der Richtung
   %
2
3
   %
       Calculates the values for the calculation of the direction
4
        global XVALUES HEIGHT SLOPEFACTOR ANGLE AGENTANGLEOFFSET REPULSIONAGENT STANDOFF
5
        if isMoving == 0 && abs(diffVelocity) < 0.2
6
                                                             %Agents bleiben beide stehen (
             ungefähr)
             diffVelocity = STANDOFF;
8
        end
9
        \quad \text{if } \text{diffVelocity} \, < \, 0 \\
10
             alphaX = XVALUES(indexX);
11
             xOut = 1./(abs(XVALUES - alphaX).^(-diffVelocity/SLOPEFACTOR)); %Zentrierung
                  um alphaX
13
             [\ \tilde{\ }\ indLeft\ ]\ =\ closest\ (ANGLE,\ betaLeft\ )\ ;
14
             [~,indRight] = closest(ANGLE, betaRight);
[~,indLeftS] = closest(ANGLE, betaLeft - AGENTANGLEOFFSET);
15
16
             [~,indRightS] = closest (ANGLE, betaRight + AGENTANGLEOFFSET);
17
18
19
             xOut = (xOut - min(xOut));
             xOut(indLeft:indRight) = 0;
20
21
             if isMoving == 1
22
                 xOut = xOut * HEIGHT / max(xOut) * (-diffVelocity) * (radiusSum /
23
                      distance) ^ REPULSIONAGENT;
24
                 xOut = xOut * HEIGHT / max(xOut) * (radiusSum / distance)^REPULSIONAGENT
25
26
             end
             xOut(indLeftS:indLeft) = linspace(xOut(indLeftS), 0, (indLeft-indLeftS+1));
28
             xOut(indRight:indRightS) = linspace(0,xOut(indRightS),(indRightS-indRight+1)
29
                 );
30
        elseif diffVelocity > 0
31
32
             alphaX = XVALUES(indexX);
             xOut = gaussmf(XVALUES, \ [radiusSum/distance \ alphaX\,]) \ * \ diffVelocity \ * \ HEIGHT
33
                 /5 * radiusSum/distance;
34
        else
35
36
             xOut = zeros(1, length(XVALUES));
                                                     %Agents laufen gleich schnell
37
38
        end
39
   end
40
```

```
function [ xOut ] = xWallLogic(distance, betaLeft, betaRight, radius)
           xWallLogic calculates and returns the values for the repulsive strength and
           angle of an wall agent to an agent specified by distance, betaLeft und betaRight
           . Radius is the radius of the agent in question. See documentation for a
           visualisation of the setup
 3
           {\tt global} XVALUES WALLFACTOR ANGLE WALLANGLEOFFSET
 4
 5
 6
           xOut = zeros(1, length(XVALUES));
            \begin{array}{lll} [\tilde{\ \ }, indLeft\,] &= closest\,(ANGLE,\ betaLeft\,)\,; \\ [\tilde{\ \ }, indRight\,] &= closest\,(ANGLE,\ betaRight\,)\,; \\ [\tilde{\ \ }, indLeftS\,] &= closest\,(ANGLE,\ betaLeft\,-\,WALLANGLEOFFSET)\,; \\ [\tilde{\ \ }, indRightS\,] &= closest\,(ANGLE,\ betaRight\,+\,WALLANGLEOFFSET)\,; \\ \end{array} 
 8
 9
10
11
12
           xOut(indLeft:indRight) = WALLFACTOR / (distance - radius);
13
14
           xOut(\,indLeftS:indLeft\,) \,\,=\,\, linspace\,(\,0\,,\,\,\,xOut(\,indLeft\,)\,\,,\,\,\,(\,indLeft\,-indLeftS\,+1)\,)\,;
15
           xOut(indRight:indRightS) = linspace(xOut(indRight), 0, (indRightS-indRight+1));
16
17
18
    end
```

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function [ ] = spawn( agentArray, position )
   %PAWN function that generates values for new spawned agents
   % For given agentArray and information whether to spawn on bottom or top,
   \% this function calculates the initial values for a new spawned agent.
   % position - takes value 1 (spawn at bottom) or -1 (spawn at top)
   global MEANRADIUS STDRADIUS MEANSPEED STDSPEED WIDTH YSPB1 YSPT2 REP
   % MEANRADIUS, STDRADIUS - for Gaussian for radius
8
   % MEANSPEED, STDSPEED - for Gaussian for speed
   % WIDTH is the width of the corridor, YSP(b/t)(1/2) are the y-coordinates
10
   \% of the spawning fields, b=the bottom ones, t=the top ones, both numbered
11
   % from bottom to top (which means, YSPB1=0, then +spawning height=YSPB2, then
   \% +length of corridor=YSPT1, and +spawning height=YSPT2
13
   % Here we only use the lower boundary (YSPB1) and the top boundary (YSPT2)
14
   % REP; #of tries to spawn the agent (if always collision, don't spawn him)
15
16
   priorityArray = getPriorityArray(agentArray);
17
   sortedPriorityArray = getSortedPriorityArray(priorityArray);
18
   index = find(priorityArray == 0,1); %position of empty agent slot in agentArray
19
       if (size (index, 2)~=0) %if agentArray is not full.
20
21
22
       \% Generate radius with MEANRADIUS, STDRADIUS and a Gaussian
23
       % distribution
24
            radius=4*STDRADIUS;
            while (abs(radius)>(3*STDRADIUS))
25
26
                radius=normrnd(0,STDRADIUS);
            end %while
27
            radius=MEANRADIUS+radius;
28
29
           %v-coordinate
30
            if position==-1
31
                ycoord=YSPT2;
32
33
                ycoord=YSPB1;
34
            end %if-else-ycoord.
35
36
           %x-coordinate
37
            distMat = zeros(1, length(sortedPriorityArray));
38
            if size(distMat,2) = 0 %Kein Agent vorhanden
39
                \verb|xcoord=(WIDTH-2*radius|)*rand(1)+radius;|
40
41
                speed=4*STDSPEED;
                while (abs(speed)>(3*STDSPEED))
42
43
                    speed=normrnd(0,STDSPEED);
                end %while
44
45
                speed=position *(MEANSPEED+speed);
46
                agentArray (index).cordX \, = \, xcoord\,;
47
                agentArray(index).cordY = ycoord;
48
                agentArray(index).maxSpeed = speed;
49
                agentArray(index).actSpeed = speed;
50
51
                agentArray(index).radius = radius;
                agentArray(index).priority = rand(1);
                while (agentArray(index).priority == 0) %Damit priority sicher nicht 0
53
                    agentArray(index).priority = rand(1);
                end
55
            else
56
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for count=1:REP
58
59
                        xcoord=(WIDTH-2*radius)*rand(1)+radius;
                        \quad \text{for } k = sorted Priority Array \\
60
                             distMat(k) = sqrt((ycoord - agentArray(k).cordY)^2 + (xcoord - agentArray(k).cordY)^2
61
                                 \operatorname{agentArray}(k).\operatorname{cord}X)\hat{\ }2) \ - \ \operatorname{agentArray}(k).\operatorname{radius} \ - \ \operatorname{radius};
62
63
                        distMat = sort(distMat);
                        if (distMat(1) >= 0)
64
65
                             break
                        elseif (count ~= REP)
66
67
                            continue
68
                             fprintf('No_agent_spawned\n')
69
70
                             \mathtt{return}
                        end
71
72
                   end
73
                   if (distMat(1) >= 0)
74
                  %Generate velocity with MEANSPEED, STDSPEED and position (move up
                  \% or \ down\,!\,) and a Gaussian distribution
76
                        speed=4*STDSPEED;
77
                        while (abs(speed)>(3*STDSPEED))
78
                             speed=normrnd(0,STDSPEED);
79
80
                        end %while
                        speed=position *(MEANSPEED+speed);
81
82
83
                        agentArray(index).cordX = xcoord;
84
                        agentArray(index).cordY = ycoord;
                        agentArray(index).maxSpeed = speed;
85
                        agentArray(index).actSpeed = speed;
86
87
                        agentArray(index).radius = radius;
                        agentArray(index).priority = rand(1);
88
                        while (agentArray(index).priority = 0) %Damit priority sicher nicht
89
                             agentArray(index).priority = rand(1);
90
                        \quad \text{end} \quad
91
                   end %if kollisionsabfrage
92
              end %if size
93
94
         else
              fprintf('Warning:_Agent_array_is_full\n')
95
96
         end %if
97
         agentArray(index);
    end %Function
```

```
function [betaLeft , betaRight] = getBeta(radiusSum , alpha , distance)
2 %getBeta: For two agents: for given radii, angle alpha (direction of other agent wrt
        . x-Axis) and the distance between, this function calculates the angles outside.
        See documentation for the derivation and exact meaning of alpha, betaLeft,
       betaRight and gamma
3
4
       gamma = acos(radiusSum / distance);
       betaRight = pi - (gamma + alpha);
                                             \%betaRight = pi/2 - (gamma + alpha - pi/2);
5
6
       betaLeft = - alpha + gamma;
                                            \%betaLeft = pi/2 - (pi/2 + alpha - gamma);
   end
8
   function [ priorityArray ] = getPriorityArray( agentsArray )
1
2
       %For given agents, this function reads out their priority values.
3
       priorityArray = zeros(1,length(agentsArray));
4
5
       for i = 1:length(agentsArray)
           priorityArray(i) = agentsArray(i).priority;
6
7
       end
8
9
   end
   function [ outList ] = getSortedPriorityArray(priorityArray)
1
   %For given priorityArray, this function sorts them according to decreasing priority
       ignoring all zeros and returning the indices of the sorted priorities.
3
      sortMat = ([priorityArray; 1:length(priorityArray)]) '; %prios with index
4
      sortMat = (sortrows(sortMat, 1))'; %sort them decreasingly wrt priority
      %Hier könnte man alle mit den gleichen Prioritätswerten
6
      %durcheinandermischen
      prioNotZero = fliplr(find(sortMat(1,:))); %only non-zero values
9
      outList = sortMat(2, prioNotZero); %return indices
10
11
   end
   function \ [\ valueClosest\ ,\ indexClosest\ ]\ =\ closest\ (\ searchArray\ ,\ searchValue\ )
   % This function returns the closest value and index, which is in searchArray,
       closest to search Value.
3
       [, indexClosest] = min(abs(searchArray - searchValue)); %save index
4
       valueClosest = searchArray(indexClosest); %return value
5
   end
```