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## Creating a Simple Simulation

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# Creating a New Simulation

- Using the shortcut you previously created, navigate to the tutorial shortcut -> LIGGGHTS\_Flexible\_Fibers -> examples -> BondPackage -> Tutorials -> Single\_Tests
- Make a new folder by  
`mkdir simple_sim`
- Change to the new directory  
`cd simple_sim`
- Create a new file  
`touch in.liggghts`
- Open this file in a txt editor

# Starting the Script

- Defining the type of atoms

```
atom_style hybrid granular bond/gran n_bondtypes 1 bonds_per_atom 6  
atom_modify map arrayhard_particles yes # For high young's modulus
```

- Turn off newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> law

```
newton off  
communicate single vel yes
```

- Set boundaries as fixed

```
boundary f f f
```

- Set units to si

```
units si
```

- Create the simulation domain and state there is one type of atom

```
region domain block 0.0 0.125 0.0 0.125 -0.01 0.10  
create_box 1 domain
```

# Adding Physics

- Give the contact model  
pair\_style gran model hertz tangential history
- Give the bond model  
bond\_style gran
- Set the bin size  
neighbor 0.001 bin
- Tell liggghts to update the neighbor list every time step  
neigh\_modify delay 0
- Set contact coefficients  
pair\_coeff \* \* # contact physics do not need coefficients
- Set bond coefficients  
bond\_coeff 1 1.0 0.0 4.0e9 2.0e8 1 0.01 1 1.0e16 1.0e16

# Setting Material Properties, Adding a Wall, Add Gravity, and Set the Integration Scheme

- Setting properties

fix m1 all property/global youngsModulus peratomtype 4.0e9

fix m2 all property/global poissonsRatio peratomtype 0.3

fix m3 all property/global coefficientRestitution peratomtypepair 1 0.5

fix m4 all property/global coefficientFriction peratomtypepair 1 0.1

- Place the floor for the simulation

fix floor all wall/gran model hertz tangential history primitive type 1 zplane 0.0

- Add gravity in the z-direction

fix grav all gravity 9.81 vector 0.0 0.0 -1.0

- Use velocity verlet to update the simulation

fix integr all nve/sphere

- Set the time step

timestep 1.0e-6

# Build Particle Template and Set Particle Insertion

- Set the fiber template

```
fix pts all particletemplate/multiplespheres 15485863 atom_type 1 density constant 2500 &  
  nspheres 5 ntry 50000 spheres &  
  0.000 0.0 0.0 0.001 &  
  0.002 0.0 0.0 0.001 &  
  0.004 0.0 0.0 0.001 &  
  0.006 0.0 0.0 0.001 &  
  0.008 0.0 0.0 0.001 &  
  bonded yes
```

- Set particle distribution

```
fix pdd1 all particledistribution/discrete 32452843 1 pts1 1.0
```

- Create insertion region

```
region fill_box block 0.0 0.125 0.0 0.125 0.0065 0.07 units box
```

- Give insertion information

```
fix ins all insert/pack seed 32452867 distributiontemplate pdd1 maxattempt 500 insert_every once &  
  overlapcheck yes orientation random all_in yes vel constant 0.0 0.0 0.0 &  
  region fill_box particles_in_region 500 ntry_mc 10000 check_dist_from_subdomain_border no
```

# Set Output

- Set output to the screen  
thermo\_style custom step atoms numbond cpu cpuremain ke
- Print output every 1000 steps  
thermo 1000
- Ignore atoms that leave the domain and do not normalize output  
thermo\_modify lost ignore norm no
- Create post folder for file output  
shell mkdir post
- Set particle dump output for ParaView  
dump dmp all custom 1000 post/damp\*.liggghts id type x y z vx vy vz fx fy fz omegax omegay & omegaz radius

# Bond the Particles

- Run once to insert the atoms  
run 1
- Create fix to bond atoms  
fix bondcr all bond/create/gran 1 1 1 0.002001 1 6
- Bond atoms to make particles  
run 1
- Do not allow any more bonds to form  
fix\_modify bondcr every 0
- Run the simulation  
run 250000 upto
- Save script

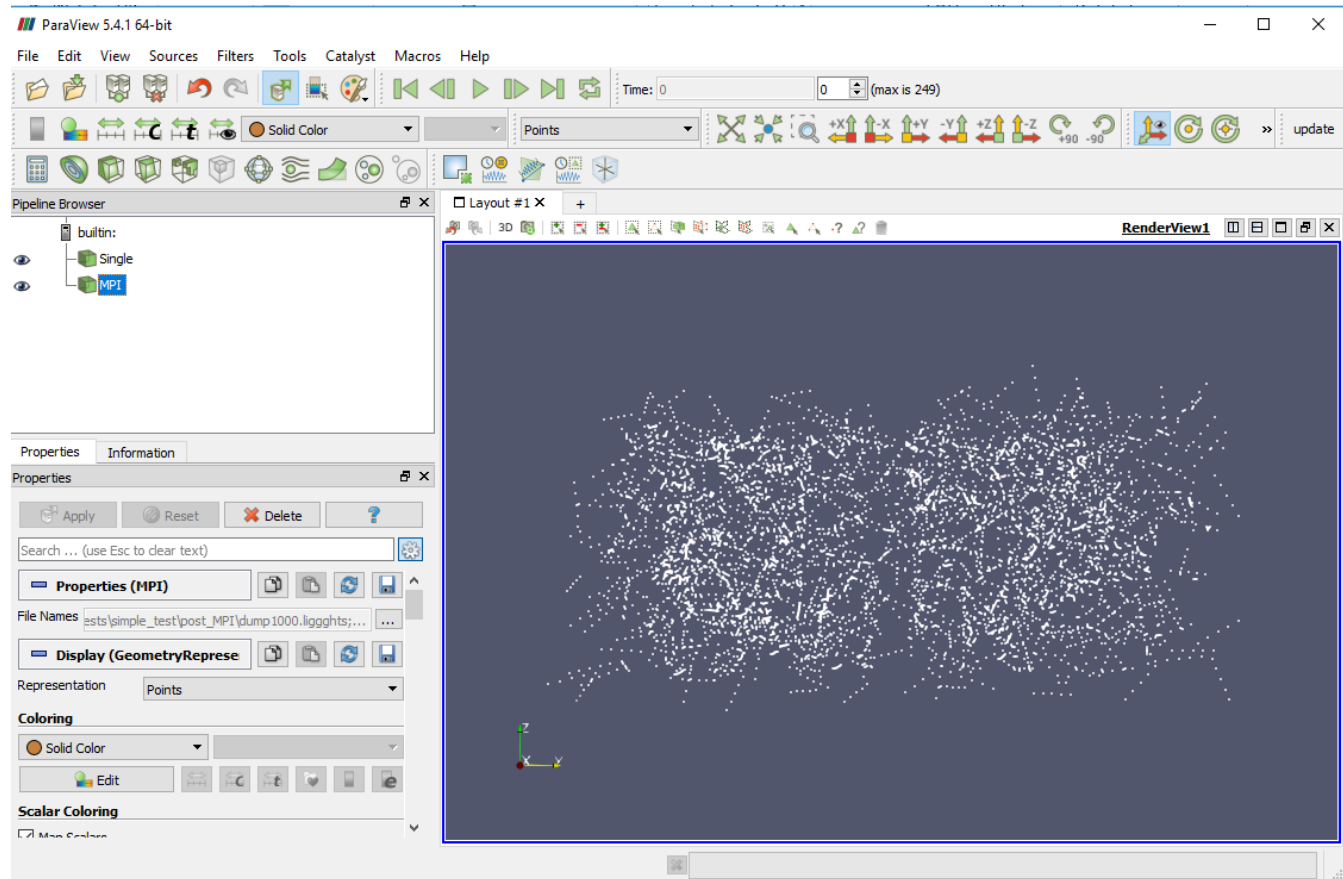


# Run the Simulation

- From the command line, run the script  
`liggghts -in in.script`
- After the simulation ends, move post to post\_single  
`mv post post_single`
- Now run your script using MPI  
`mpirun -n 4 liggghts -in in.script`
- After simulation ends, move post to post\_MPI  
`mv post post_MPI`

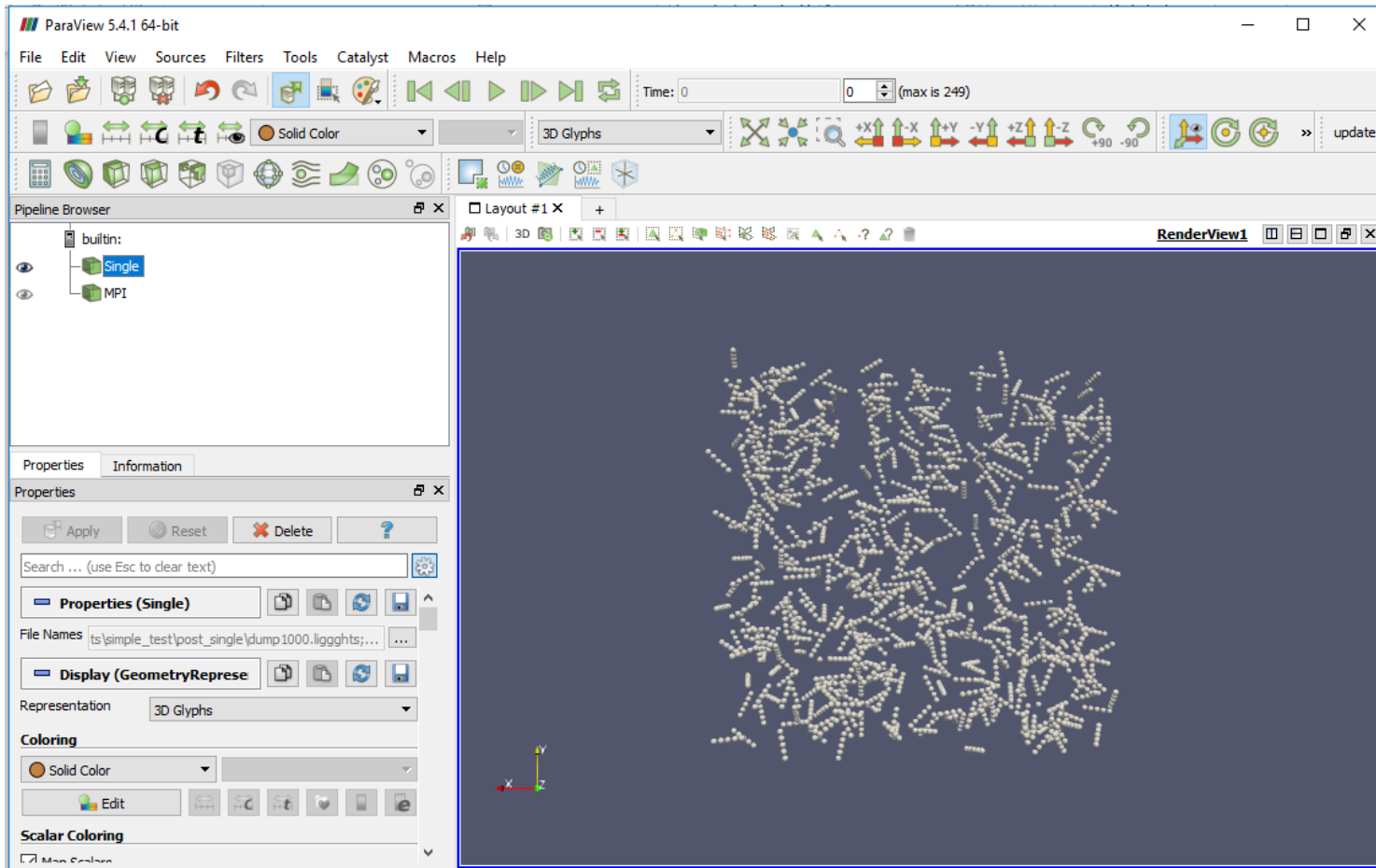
# View Simulation in ParaView

- Open ParaView, Import both dump files, and rename them to Single and MPI



# Compare Single Core vs MPI runs

- Single Core – Notice uniformly distributed



# Compare Single Core vs MPI runs

- Multicore – Notice the separate packings

