Week 14 — Pybind: Python bindings for Particles Code

The goal for this exercise is to use external library Pybind11 made for creating Python bindings of C++ code. We will use it to create Python bindings for our Particles code.

Use the starting point from GIT for this exercise

We have provided a **main.py** in the starting point. This script shows all the C++ classes and their respective functions to be exposed to Python. The objective of the exercise will be to ensure that the script works for all types of particle: Planet, PingPong and MaterialPoint.

Exercise 1: Factory Interface

- 1. Create python bindings for all factory interface classes: ParticlesFactory, MaterialPointsFactory, PlanetsFactory and PingPongBallsFactory.
- 2. In class MaterialPointsFactory, createSimulation function has been overloaded to take functor as one of its argument. Comment on what this function is doing?
- 3. Create python binding for createSimulation function. You will have to use overload_cast. For more help, please refer: Overloading.

Exercise 2: Compute

- 1. Create python binding for classes: Compute and ComputeTemperature.
- 2. How will you ensure that references to Compute objects type are correctly managed in the python bindings?
- 3. Some of the private members of class ComputeTemperature are made accessible in main.py. Create python bindings to access these variables and set their values.

Exercise 3: Other Classes

1. Create python bindings for other necessary classes and their respective functions according to **main.py**.