

Simulation Engineering

Homework 2 : Circus Trapeze Real Time Simulation



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Euler Functions

- Functions to calculate theta and velocity.

```
17 // Function to calculate theta
18 double calc_function1(double time, double velocity){
19     return velocity*time;
20 }
21
22 // Function to calculate Velocity (in loop iteration) using Runge Kutta Method
23 double calc_function2(double time, double theta){
24     return -g/length*sin(theta)*time;
25 }
```

Euler Functions

- Functions used in calculating parameters for finding next theta and next velocity using Range Kutta Method.

```
27 //Function used in Calculating parameters for finding next theta for pendulum using Runge Kutta Method.
28 double calc_range1(double time, double velocity){
29     double h = time/2;
30     double k1= calc_function1(time, velocity);
31     double k2 = calc_function1((time+(h/2)), (velocity+h/2*(k1)));
32     double k3 = calc_function1((time+(h/2)), (velocity+h/2*(k2)));
33     double k4 = calc_function1((time+(h)), (velocity+h*(k3)));
34
35     double val = h*(k1 + 2*k2 + 2*k3 + k4)/6;
36     return val;
37 }
38
39
40 //Function used in Calculating parameters for finding next velocity for pendulum
41 double calc_range2(double time, double theta){
42     double h = time/2;
43     double k1= calc_function2(time, theta);
44     double k2 = calc_function2((time+(h/2)), (theta+h/2*(k1)));
45     double k3 = calc_function2((time+(h/2)), (theta+h/2*(k2)));
46     double k4 = calc_function2((time+(h)), (theta+h*(k3)));
47
48     double val = (h/6*(k1 + 2*k2 + 2*k3 + k4));
49     return val;
50 }
51
```

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Main

- Create Thread with simulation function

```
86  int main ()
87  {
88      simulation_struct.sim_mode = 0;
89      simulation_struct.sim_time = 0.0;
90      simulation_struct.frame_time = 0.010;
91      simulation_struct.sim_end_time = 10;
92      pthread_t simulation_thread;
93
94      int status;
95
96      status = pthread_create(&simulation_thread, NULL, simulation_function, NULL);
97      simulation_struct.sim_mode = 1;
98      while (simulation_struct.sim_time < simulation_struct.sim_end_time);
99  }
```

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Simulation Function

- Timer Handler installed as Signal Handler for SIGVTALARM
- Configure Timer to expire after the given frame time, when initialization is done
- Call function to initialize the simulation

```
101 void *simulation_function(void *ptr){
102
103     struct sigaction sa;
104     struct itimerval timer;
105
106     // Install timer_handler as the signal handler for SIGVTALRM.
107     memset (&sa, 0, sizeof (sa));
108     sa.sa_handler = &timer_handler;
109     sigaction (SIGVTALRM, &sa, NULL);
110
111     // Configure the timer to expire after the given frame time, when initialization is done
112     // Value that is fed is in microseconds
113
114     timer.it_value.tv_sec = 0;
115     timer.it_value.tv_usec = simulation_struct.frame_time*10000;
116
117     //After first time frame, we repeat this after each time frame
118     timer.it_interval.tv_sec = 0;
119     timer.it_interval.tv_usec = simulation_struct.frame_time * 1000;
120
121     //Start a virtual timer.
122     //Whenever process executes, countdown is done
123     initialise_simulation(&parameters, &states);
124
125     setitimer (ITIMER_VIRTUAL, &timer, NULL);
126     return NULL;
127 }
```

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Initialize Simulation Function

- Initialize the simulation
- Parameters: Acceleration due to gravity, length, length of man, end time, delta time, start angle
- States: Angle (Theta), Velocity, Time

```
69 void initialise_simulation(parameter_struct_type* par, state_struct_type* state){
70
71     parameters.g = 9.8;
72     parameters.length = 5;
73     parameters.length_of_man= 2.4;
74     parameters.end_time = 2.16 * 3.14 * sqrt(length / g);
75     parameters.delta_time= 0.1;
76     parameters.start_angle= 55;
77
78     states.theta = parameters.start_angle * 6.28 / 360;
79     states.velocity = 0;
80     states.time = 0;
81
82 }
```

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Timer Handler

- Calls the do_step function
- Prints time, theta and velocity

```
54 void timer_handler (int signum)
55 {
56     simulation_struct.sim_time +=simulation_struct.frame_time;
57     do_step(&parameters, &states);
58     cout<<states.time*10<<"\t\t\t\t\t\t\t"<<states.theta*360/6.28<<"\t\t\t"<< states.velocity<<"\t\t\t"<<"\n";
59 }
60
```

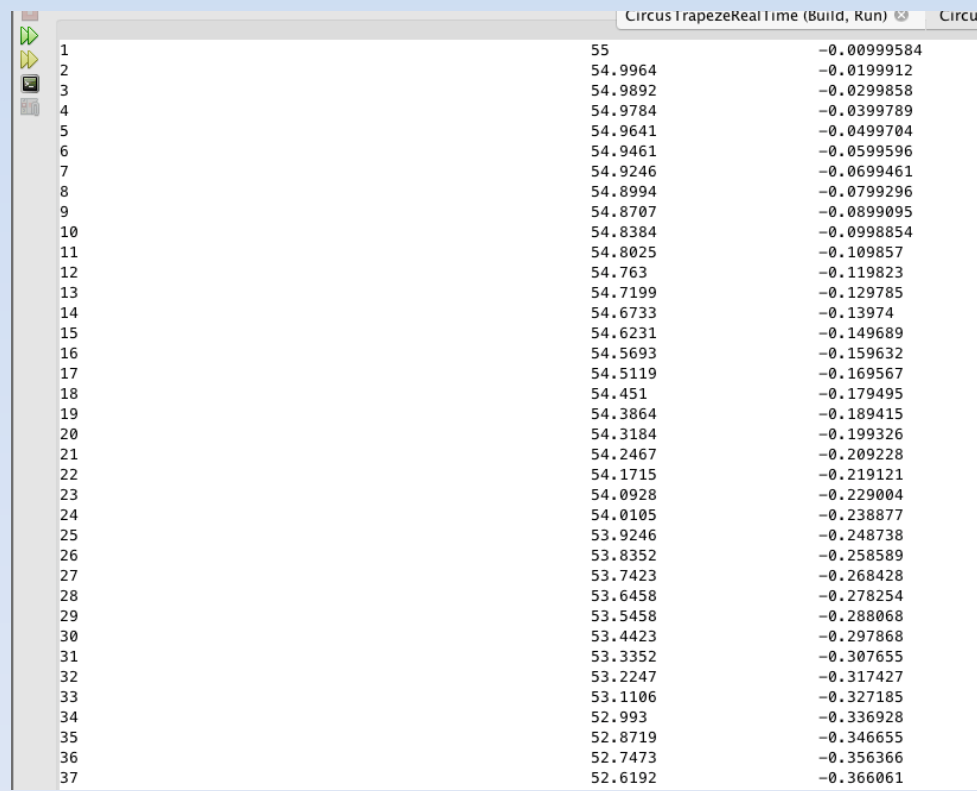
do_step

- Calculates next states: time, velocity and theta using Runge Kutta Method

```
45 void do_step(parameter_struct_type* par, state_struct_type* state){
46     //Calculation done using Runge Kutta Method
47     states.theta += calc_range1(parameters.delta_time, states.velocity);
48     states.velocity += calc_range2(parameters.delta_time, states.theta);
49     states.time += parameters.delta_time;
50 }
51
```

Output

- Notice how the velocity and theta change
- Velocity is at a minimum at the initial angle and reaches a maximum as theta approaches 0
- Minus sign indicates the direction of velocity



	theta	velocity
1	55	-0.00999584
2	54.9964	-0.0199912
3	54.9892	-0.0299858
4	54.9784	-0.0399789
5	54.9641	-0.0499704
6	54.9461	-0.0599596
7	54.9246	-0.0699461
8	54.8994	-0.0799296
9	54.8707	-0.0899095
10	54.8384	-0.0998854
11	54.8025	-0.109857
12	54.763	-0.119823
13	54.7199	-0.129785
14	54.6733	-0.13974
15	54.6231	-0.149689
16	54.5693	-0.159632
17	54.5119	-0.169567
18	54.451	-0.179495
19	54.3864	-0.189415
20	54.3184	-0.199326
21	54.2467	-0.209228
22	54.1715	-0.219121
23	54.0928	-0.229004
24	54.0105	-0.238877
25	53.9246	-0.248738
26	53.8352	-0.258589
27	53.7423	-0.268428
28	53.6458	-0.278254
29	53.5458	-0.288068
30	53.4423	-0.297868
31	53.3352	-0.307655
32	53.2247	-0.317427
33	53.1106	-0.327185
34	52.993	-0.336928
35	52.8719	-0.346655
36	52.7473	-0.356366
37	52.6192	-0.366061

Some Output observations

Q & A

