

PHY4410 HW 6 Fall 2019

Due ~~Wednesday~~ Friday (extension) Nov 13 by 4:30pm -- start ****early****!

1. Write and upload a python program, "gas_1d.py", to simulate N *collisionless* "balls" moving in a 1-dimensional "box" with boundaries at $x=0$ at $x=1$. Give the balls these attributes:
 - Position: randomly uniformly distributed (via `numpy.random.uniform()`)
 - Velocity: random with a normal (Gaussian) distribution, centered about 0 with a standard deviation of 0.1, e.g.,
`vx = np.random.normal(size=N, loc=0.0, scale=0.1)`
 - Use whatever time step size you like (start small). You may use basic kinematics or a Hamiltonian approach, whichever you like.
 - No gravity.
 - **Use a time step of 0.1 and run for 1000 total iterations.**

When each ball hits (or is about to hit) the wall, it needs to "bounce" elastically, i.e. reversing its velocity.

- a) Produce a measure of the *average force* F on the walls of the box, by calculating the time-average of the change in momentum ("impulse") of balls hitting the walls. (Just use a unit mass $m=1$, so momentum "=" velocity.) What is the value of F for $N=100$, 1000, and 10000 (as the time-of-averaging becomes sufficiently large)? Use an output syntax of
`N = ____, Right boundary at __: Force = ____`
 - b) For 1000 balls, demonstrate how the force changes when you *double* the size of the box, i.e. move the right-hand boundary in x from 1 to 2: Produce an combined output log (e.g. a text file) showing the run of a) and then b). Simply run the code twice with two different values for the right boundary, namely 1 and 2, and then copy and paste the output into a file, called `hw6_p1b.txt`. Use a syntax of
`N = ____, Right boundary at __: Force = ____`
2. Extend this work to 2-dimensions ("gas_2d.py") for a box with sides at $x,y = 0$ & 1, where now...
 - The direction of the velocity can now be any angle in the plane.
 - When balls bounce off the walls, it is the *perpendicular component* of their momentum that changes
 - Calculate the "pressure" by dividing the average force by the *perimeter* of the box
 - a) Demonstrate how the pressure changes when you double the size of the box, i.e. move the boundary in x from 1 to 2 (leaving the boundaries in y the same as before) by a series of *steps of size 0.1*.
 - b) For 1000 balls, Show that the product of pressure and the *area* of the box stays (roughly) constant: Upload an output log called `hw6_p2b.txt`. Use a syntax
`print(f"N = {N}, RB = {bounds[1]}: P = {pressure}, P*A = {pa}")`

3. Remove the “collisionless” part! Make the balls bounce off each other. Try a ball radius of 0.02. Use $N=200$, boundaries of $[0,1]$ in both directions, a timestep of 0.1, and 1000 iterations.

a) Produce a measure of the *average* kinetic energy (“temperature”) at beginning and the end:

Initial: $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$: $\langle KE \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

Final: $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$: $\langle KE \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

~~b) Double volume but place two different populations of balls in the two “sides” of the box: One as before, but another with *half* the (average) speed — i.e. change “loc” to 0.25. (An easy way to do combine two arrays is to use `np.concatenate()`). Allow the two populations to intermingle (for 1000 iterations) and observe the change in average kinetic energy of the populations, call them 1 and 2. Print out the initial and final average kinetic energies:~~

~~Initial: $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$: $\langle KE_1 \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $\langle KE_2 \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$~~

~~Final: $N = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$: $\langle KE_1 \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$, $\langle KE_2 \rangle = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$~~

Too hard to keep track of 1 and 2 and do collisions *between* them.

c) Change the original velocity distributions from normal to uniform. Plot histograms of ball speeds initially and finally, e.g.

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plt.hist( initial_speeds, bins='auto', density=True)
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plt.show()
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plt.hist( final_speeds, bins='auto', density=True)
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plt.show()
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