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Last class :  $F_x^{\text{net}} = m a_x$

Euler Step :  $v_x(t + \Delta t) = v_x(t) + \frac{F_x^{\text{net}}}{m} \Delta t$

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + \underbrace{v_x(t) \Delta t}_{v_x(t + \Delta t)}$$

Euler-Cromer Step:

$$F_x^{\text{net}} = -kx$$

$$E_{\text{tot}} = \frac{1}{2} k x^2 + \frac{1}{2} m v_x^2$$

Solution :  $t_0 = 0, v_0 = 0$   
 $x(t) = x_0 \cos(\omega_0 t)$   
 $y(t) = -x_0 \omega_0 \sin(\omega_0 t)$   
where  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

Explanation for divergence of E for Euler Step

$$\begin{aligned} E(t + \Delta t) &= \frac{1}{2} k x(t + \Delta t)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (v_x(t + \Delta t))^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} k (x(t) + v_x(t) \Delta t)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (v_x(t) - \frac{k}{m} x(t) \Delta t)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} k (x(t)^2 + 2x(t)v_x(t)\Delta t + (v_x(t)\Delta t)^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} m ((v_x(t))^2 - 2\frac{k}{m}v_x(t)x(t)\Delta t + (\frac{k}{m})^2(x(t))^2(\Delta t)^2) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} k x(t)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (v_x(t))^2}_{E(t)} + \frac{1}{2} k (v_x(t))^2 (\Delta t)^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \frac{k^2}{m} (x(t))^2 (\Delta t)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= E(t) + \left( \frac{1}{2} k (v_x(t))^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (v_x(t))^2 \right) \frac{k}{m} (\Delta t)^2$$

$$= E(t) + E(t) \frac{k}{m} (\Delta t)^2$$

$$E(t + \Delta t) = E(t) \left( 1 + \frac{k}{m} (\Delta t)^2 \right)$$

(after N timesteps)

$$E(t = N\Delta t) = \underbrace{E_0}_{E_0} \left( 1 + \frac{k}{m} (\Delta t)^2 \right)^N = E_0 e^{\overbrace{N \ln(1 + \frac{k}{m} (\Delta t)^2)}^{> 0}}$$

# Molecular Dynamics Simulation

so far Euler Step:

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + v_x(t) \Delta t$$

$$v_x(t + \Delta t) = v_x(t) + \frac{F_x^{\text{net}}}{m} \Delta t$$

1 dim  $\rightarrow$  d dimensional (2dim. or 3dim.)

$$x \rightarrow \vec{r}$$

$$v_x \rightarrow \vec{v} \rightarrow \frac{\vec{F}^{\text{net}}}{m}$$

one particle to many particles

$$\vec{r} \rightarrow \vec{r}_i$$

$$\vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{v}_i$$

$$\vec{a} \rightarrow \frac{\vec{F}_i^{\text{net}}}{m}$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, N$  particles

special case  $\vec{F}_i^{\text{net}} = \sum_{j \neq i} \vec{F}_{ij}$