

Announcement: Main Paper due next class, T, Febr.24, 9:30am. Please hand in

- hard-copy of paper
- paper as email (psfile, word-document or pdf)

IN-CLASS WORK: TRAFFIC FLOW (NEWCOMERS)

1. Uniform Random Numbers

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```
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```

into your working directory. Compile the program and let it run. Scan the header and main of the program to learn how to get random numbers. Do not try to understand the function `randomd` itself. Random function generators are an art for itself, and we just use this random number generator because it is a very well working one. Whenever you want to write a program in which you use random numbers you need to do the following step:

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`randomd(&idummy)`

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and to see the numbers graphically

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2b. Use your program from 2a. and use it to initialize a road array of `ROADLENGTH=20`. Put on each site a car with probability $PCAR=0.3$ by assigning a value 1 and otherwise keep the road site empty by assigning the value -1. Check the program by printing the road.

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3. Initialize Road

For the initialization of the road we next pick for each car on the road a random velocity $v \in \{0, 1, \dots, VMAX\}$. Let's use $VMAX=5$. To get these random velocities use `int`, for example `int(4.67)=4` and `int(3.05)=3` and `int(v)` makes an integer out of a double v . Test your program by printing out the road.

4. Distance (if time)

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5b. Use your program of 4b and add to it that it determines all new velocities (and updates them in the road array), and prints out the road with the new velocities. Compare your result for the case

(`idummy=-7,ROADLENGTH = 20,VMAX = 5, PCAR = 0.3`) with
~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic5b_data.cc

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Use the program

`~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic5_sample.cc`

and add to it that it determines all new velocities and updates them in the road array. See comments in `traffic5_sample.cc` where you need to add lines. Keep as is

(`idummy=-7,ROADLENGTH = 20,VMAX = 5, PCAR = 0.3`) and for checking your program compare your output with

`~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic5b_data.cc`

6. Update Positions (if time)

Now you are ready to add to your program the update of the positions. To do so use a new loop over all cars and update both the `carpos` array and the road array. For the road make sure to first save the new velocity, then empty the old site and then put the car in road on its new site $x_{new} = x_{old} + v_{new}$ with the new velocity. After the update of all positions print the complete road (already in `traffic4b.cc`) and check if it is what you expected. Compare your result with

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5b. Use your program of 4b or the program

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```

Add to traffic4b.cc that it determines all new velocities (and updates them in the road array), and prints out the road with the new velocities. Compare your result for the case (idummy=-7, ROADLENGTH = 20, VMAX = 5, PCAR = 0.3) with

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7. Finish Program

Now you are set to finish the program for our traffic flow model. Add to your program from 6. the time loop. Compare your result for the case of 100 timesteps and otherwise the same parameters as in 5b. Compare your output with

```
~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic7_data.cc
```

8. Space-Time Diagrams

Now we are ready to have a look at the flow of the cars. To be able to see the main patterns (and to get nice pictures) use a larger ROADLENGTH (for example = 200). Use for each empty site instead of -1 now -VMAX so that the color scheme of DynamicLattice works better for us. Then use DynamicLattice to make a graph of time over position. In case you run your program for 100 timesteps, you get 101 lines, so your DynamicLattice command is for example:

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Vary PCAR. Interpret the resulting space-time diagrams.

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Copy the program

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which includes the time-loop. The parameters are `idummy=-7,ROADLENGTH = 20,VMAX = 5, PCAR = 0.3, MAXTSTEPS=100`. Look at the program to check that the time-loop is where you would expect it according to the flow chart. Now we are ready to have a look at the flow of the cars. To be able to see the main patterns (and to get nice pictures) use a larger `ROADLENGTH=200`. Use for each empty site instead of `-1` now `-VMAX` so that the color scheme of `DynamicLattice` works better for us. Then use `DynamicLattice` to make a graph of time over position. In case you run your program for `MAXTSTEPS=100` timesteps, you get 101 lines (includes $t = 0$, so your `DynamicLattice` command is for example:

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Vary `PCAR`. Interpret the resulting space-time diagrams. Please get me when you get here, so that we can share your results with the class.

9. Nagel-Schreckenberg Model

9a. As described at the beginning of class, we finish now the Nagel-Schreckenberg model. Add to your program of 7. the randomization of the velocity, so complete the Nagel-Schreckenberg Model. Use `VMAX = 5, PCAR = 0.2, PDEC = 0.25, ROADLENGTH = 20, MAXTSTEPS=100` and `idummy = -7` and compare your result with `~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic9_data`

9b. Now increase your `ROADLENGTH` to 200 and have a look at the space-time diagram with `DynamicLattice`.

9c. Keep all parameters as in 8b but vary

(i) `PCAR` between 0.05 and 0.35

(ii) `PDEC` between 0.0 and 0.5

(iii) `VMAX` between 1 and 10.

What do you observe in each case? Please get me to discuss your observations and to share your results with the class.

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Use your program from the in-class work 6. or use

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10. Mean Velocity $v_{av}(t)$ (if time)

Use your program from 10. with parameters (`idummy=-7, VMAX=5, PCAR=0.2, PDEC=0.25, ROADLENGTH=1000, and TSTEPS=200`) and instead of printing out the road print on the screen for each time t one line with two numbers: t and v_{av} where v_{av} is the mean velocity at time t :

$$v_{av}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N v_i(t)$$
 where N is the number of cars. Compare your result with `~kvollmay/classes.dir/capstone_s2009.dir/traffic.dir/traffic10_data`

Look at $v(t)$ with:

```
traffic10.out | xgraph -m
```

Let's have together a look at your result.