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N-body techniques for astrophysics: Lecture 4 – STARLAB

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MOST IMPORTANT INGREDIENT: stay calm, breath,
don't panic, don't kill yourself, don't kill your office mates

OUTLINE:

1* definition and structure of starlab

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/overview/>

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/structure/>

2* the dynamics: KIRA

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/kira/>

3* the stellar evolution: SEBA

4* the outputs

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/internals/>

5* compilation and installation

6* writing initial conditions

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/examples/>

7* running kira

8* visualize outputs

1) definition and structure of starlab

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/>

- * Software environment:
 - multiple codes to generate, evolve and analyze a collisional system (such as a star cluster)
They can be combined
- * Tools to
 - Monte Carlo generate initial conditions (e.g. makeplummer)
 - Evolve stars and binaries via population synthesis
(e.g. SeBa)
 - Evolve collisional dynamics (e.g. kira)
 - Analyze outputs (e.g. xstarplot)
- * Collisional dynamics is evolved through HERMITE SCHEME with block time steps: example of code adopting tools described in lecture 3

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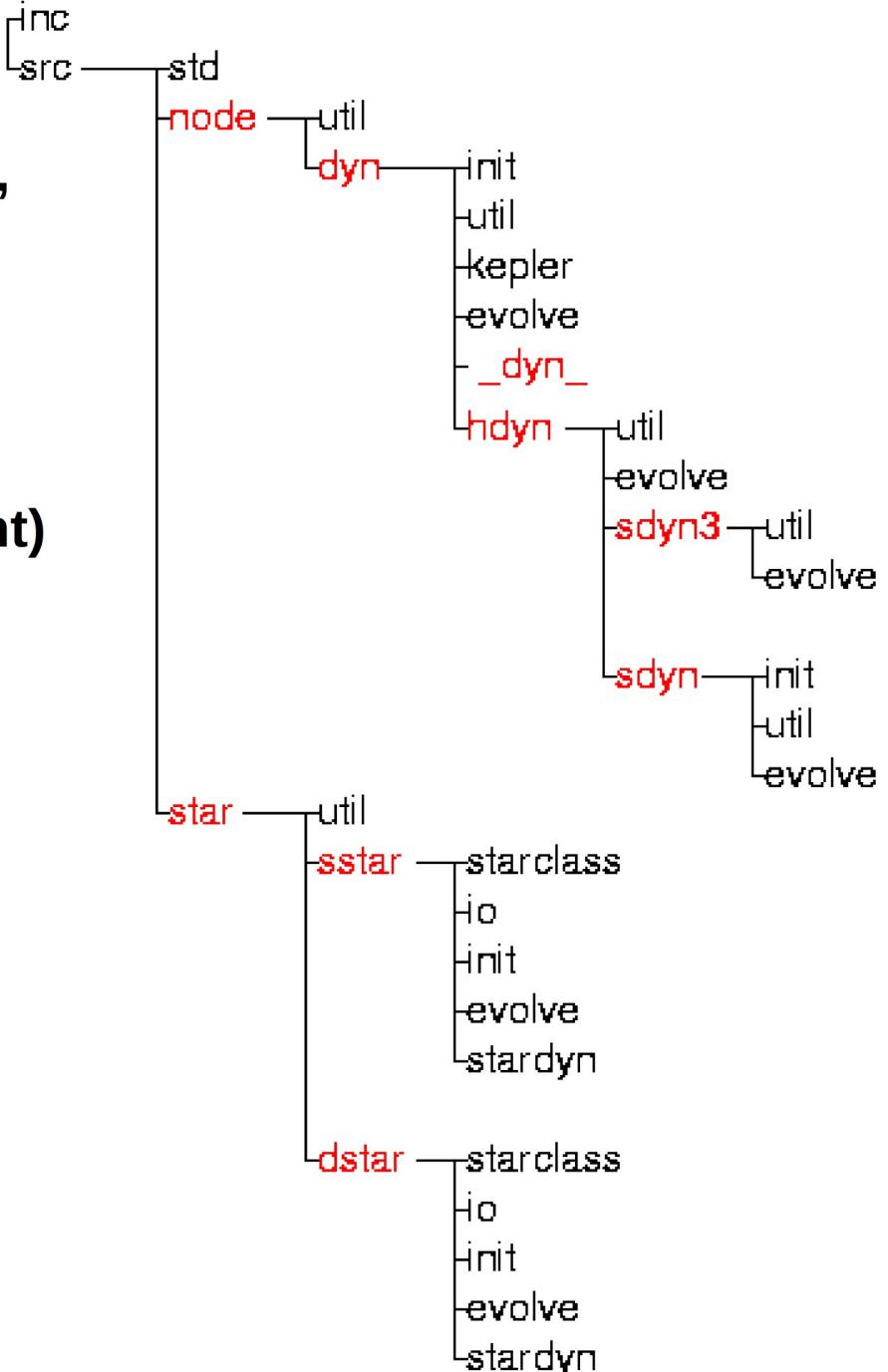
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* not a code but a software environment,
a collection of modular software tools:
generate ICs (plummer, king),
dynamics, stellar evolution,
binary evolution,
plot tools (better not use),
analysis tools (statistics..some important)

*c++, something in fortran (DON'T USE)
→ CLASSES!!!

*complex, directory structure:

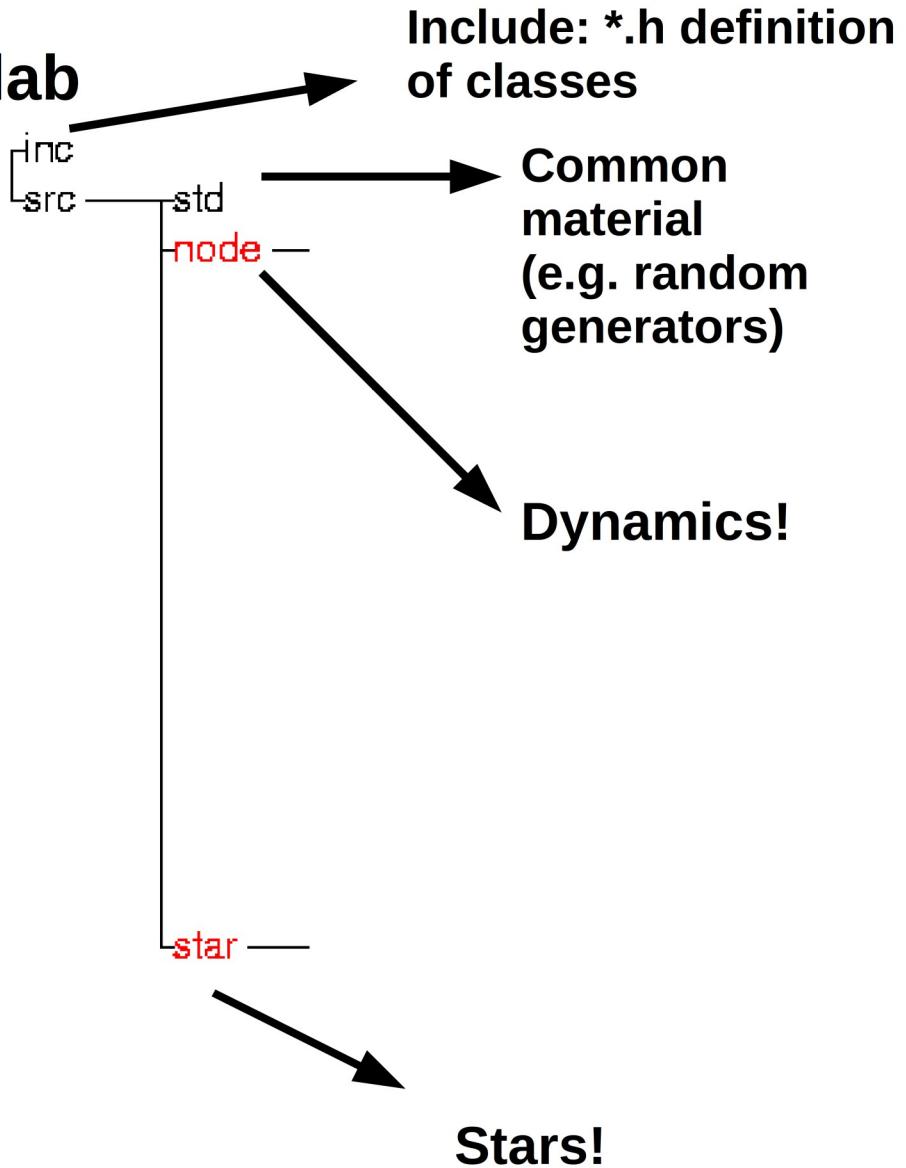


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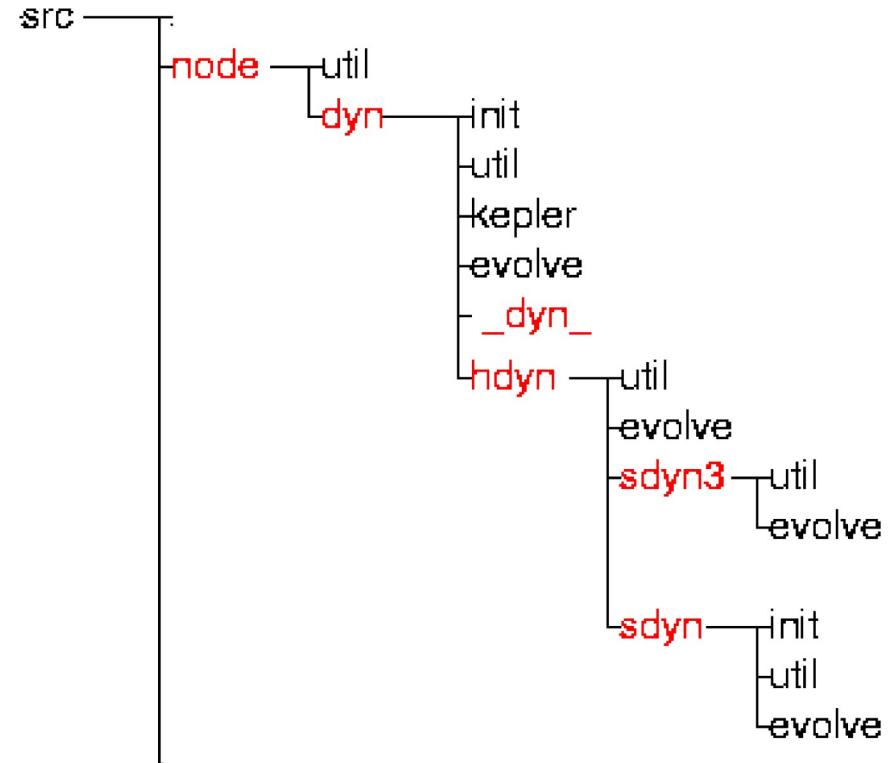
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(src/node/dyn/init/makeking.C)

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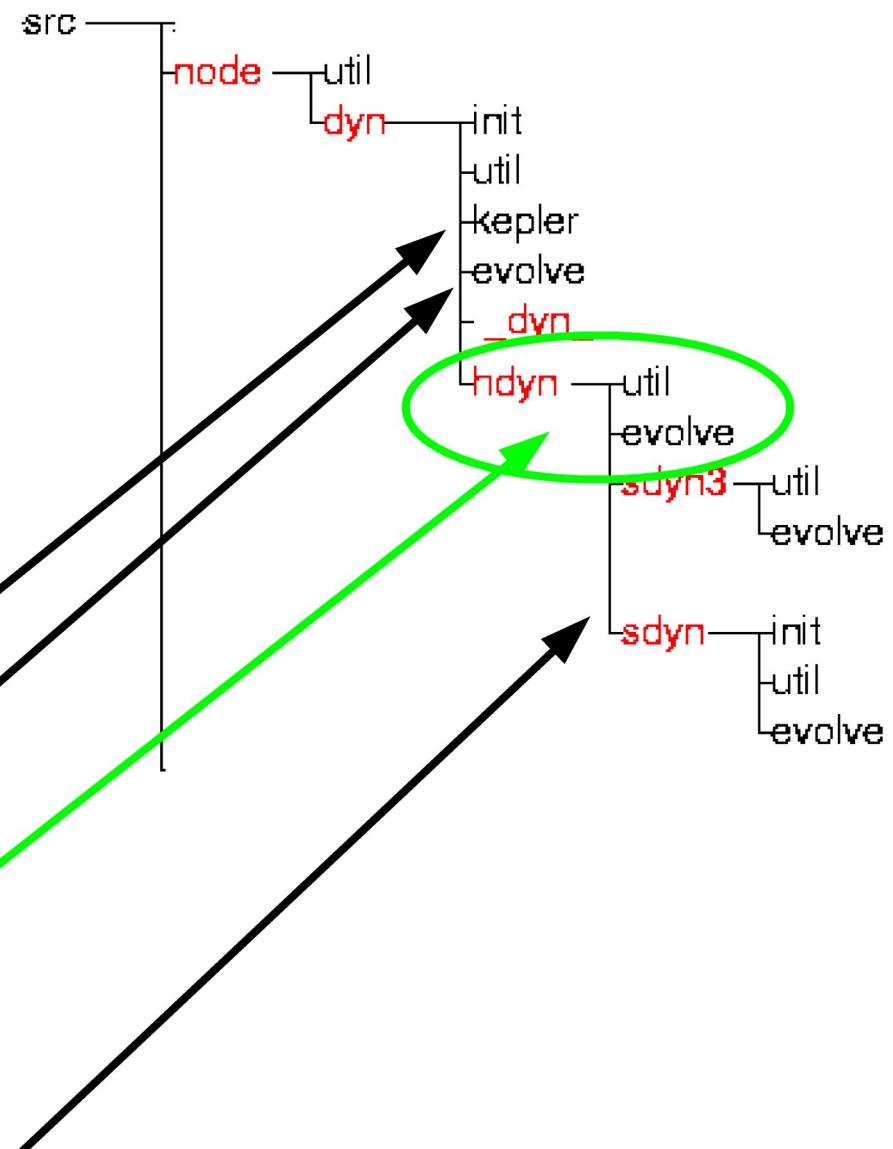
evolve: evolve dynamics in time

Kepler: only 2-body Keplerian

Only leapfrog

HDYN: high-res dynamics
KIRA INTEGRATOR
.src/node/dyn/hdyn/evolve/kira.C

only 3-body scattering



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* stars:

init: contain tool for initialization

util: data analysis or plot

evolve: evolve in time star or binary

io: input output of star data

sstar: single stars

Class: single star,

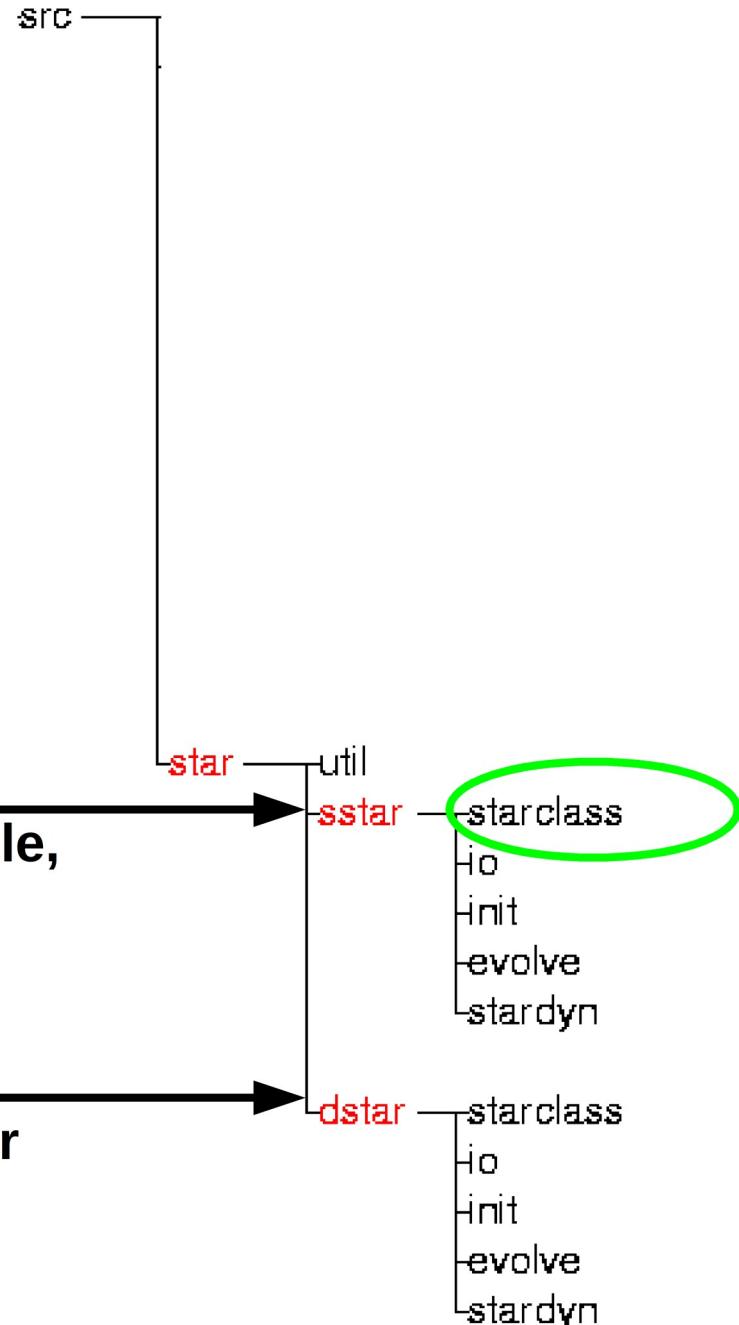
derived class: MS star, black hole,

hyper-giant, etcetc

In starclass!

dstar: double star

starclass: only class double star



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- CLASS: description of structure+ its functions
- an OBJECT belongs to a class if it is DEFINED as member of the class → star a;

EACH PARTICLE + root belongs to the **node** class (include/node.h)

```
class node {  
    static node* root; // Global address of the root node.  
    long int node_flag; // Indicator of valid node (for internal  
                        // bookkeeping purposes only)  
    int index;          // Nodes can be numbered,  
    char * name;        // or they can receive individual names.  
    real mass;  
    node * oldest_daughter; // Define the node's place in  
    node * elder_sister;   // the tree.  
    node * younger_sister;  
    story * log_story;    // Log story is a generalized scratchpad.  
    story * dyn_story;    // The dyn story is a placeholder for  
                        // dynamical information not recognized by  
                        // a program -- this allows the information  
                        // to be preserved and passed down a pipe.  
    hydrobase * hbase;    // hydrobase is the class underlying all  
                        // classes that handle hydrodynamics.  
    starbase * sbase;     // starbase is the class underlying all  
                        // classes that handle stellar evolution.  
}
```

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If dynamics is defined, the **dyn** class is derived from node (include/dyn.h)
HEREDITARIETY

```
class dyn : public node {  
    static real system_time;  
    static bool use_sstar; // Single star evolution if true.  
    vector pos;           // Position (3-D Cartesian vector).  
    vector vel;           // Velocity: (d/dt) pos.  
    vector acc;           // Acceleration: (d/dt) vel.  
    kepler * kep;         // Pointer to a kepler orbit object.  
}
```

NB: mass belongs to node, pos, vel, acc only to dyn

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If high-res **hdyn** class is derived from **_dyn_** which is derived from **dyn**
(**include/hdyn.h**, **include/_dyn_.h**)

```
class _dyn_ : public dyn {  
    real time;           // Individual particle time  
    real timestep;       // and time step.  
    real pot;            // Potential.  
    vector jerk;         // (d/dt) acc  
    vector pred_pos;     // Predicted variables for use in the  
    vector pred_vel;     // standard predictor-corrector scheme.  
    real t_pred;          // Time of prediction.  
    real radius;          // Effective (or actual) radius.  
}
```

1) hdyn

```
class hdyn : public _dyn_ {
    //-----
    // Global variables:
    // Tidal field:
    static int tidal_type; // none, point-mass, halo, disk
    static real alphal; // tidal field is conventionally taken
    static real alpha3; // to be (-alphal*x, 0, -alpha3*z)
    static real omega; // system angular speed
    // Binary evolution:
    static bool use_dstar; // binary evolution if true
    // Stellar encounters and mergers:
    static real stellar_encounter_criterion_sq;
    static real stellar_merger_criterion_sq;
    static real stellar_capture_criterion_sq;
    // Run-time integration parameters:
    static real eta; // time step parameter
    static real eps; // softening length
    static real d_min_sq; // scale term governing tree adjustment
    static real lag_factor; // squared hysteresis factor
    static real mbar; // mass scale
    static real gamma2; // squared threshold for unperturbed motion
    static real gamma23; // gamma^{-2/3}
    static real initial_step_limit; // limit on first time step
    static real step_limit; // limit on all time steps
    // Escaper removal:
    static real scaled_stripping_radius; // stripping radius for unit mass
    //-----
    // Variables for unperturbed motion:
    real perturbation_squared; // Relative perturbation squared.
    real unperturbed_timestep; // Time step for unpert. motion.
    bool fully_unperturbed; // True if orbit is fully
                           // unperturbed.
    // Perturber information:
    int n_perturbers; // Number of perturbers.
    hdyn** perturber_list; // Pointer to perturber array.
    bool valid_perturbers; // True if any particle is
                           // within the perturbation
                           // radius and the perturber
                           // list has not overflowed.
    // Other neighbor information:
    hdyn* nn; // Pointer to nearest neighbor.
    real d_nn_sq; // Distance squared to nn.
    hdyn* coll; // Pointer to neighbor whose
                 // surface is closest to this node.
    real d_coll_sq; // Distance squared to coll.
    // HARP-3 variables:
    int harp3_index; // HARP-3 address of this particle.
    real harp3_rnb_sq; // HARP-3 neighbor sphere radius.
}
```

Tidal field

Binary evolution

Time dynamical Integration
(e.g. softening)

Removal of escapers

Infos on perturbers (see kira)

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Basic class for stars is **starbase** (include/starbase.h, for root):

```
class starbase {
    node  * the_node;           // pointer to associated node
    story * star_story;         // pointer to star story

    static real m_conv_star_to_dyn; // mass conversion factor
    static real r_conv_star_to_dyn; // length conversion factor
    static real t_conv_star_to_dyn; // time conversion factor
    static bool use_hdyn;         // true iff binary evolution
                                  // is enabled

    /*mmapelli add on December 30 2012*/
    static real starmetal; /* default is solar metallicity*/
    /*mmapelli add on December 30 2012*/
}
```

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Basic class for stars is **starbase** (for root)

For each particle, **star** class is derived from starbase (include/star/star.h)

```
class star : public starbase {  
    // No private or  
protected data...  
    public:  
        .  
        .  
        .  
}
```

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If star evolution, **single_star** class is derived from star (include/star/single_star.h)

```
class single_star : public star {  
    int identity;  
    stellar_type star_type;  
    // main sequence,  
  
    // red giant, etc.  
    star_type_spec spec_type[no_of_spec_type];  
    // spectral type  
    real current_time;  
    real relative_age;  
    real last_update_age;  
    real next_update_age;  
    real relative_mass;  
    real envelope_mass;  
    real core_mass;  
    real radius;  
    real core_radius;  
    real effective_radius;  
    real luminosity;  
}
```

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Each stellar type derives from **single_star**

E.g. **main_sequence** (in include/star/main_sequence.h)

```
class main_sequence : public
single_star {

    real main_sequence_core_mass();
    real
main_sequence_core_radius();
    void adjust_donor_age(const
real mdot);
}
```

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If star evolution, **single_star** class is derived from star

If binary evolution, **double_star** class is derived from star
(include/star/double_star.h)

```
class double_star : public star {  
    real semi;  
    real eccentricity;  
    binary_type bin_type;  
    int identity;  
    real binary_age;  
    real minimal_timestep;  
    int donor_identity;  
    stellar_type donor_type;  
    real donor_timescale;  
    mass_transfer_type  
    current_mass_transfer_type;  
}
```

NB: **single_star** is associated with leaves, **double_star** with parent (kira!)

2) kira

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based on 4th order Hermite with corrector/predictor

STEPS:

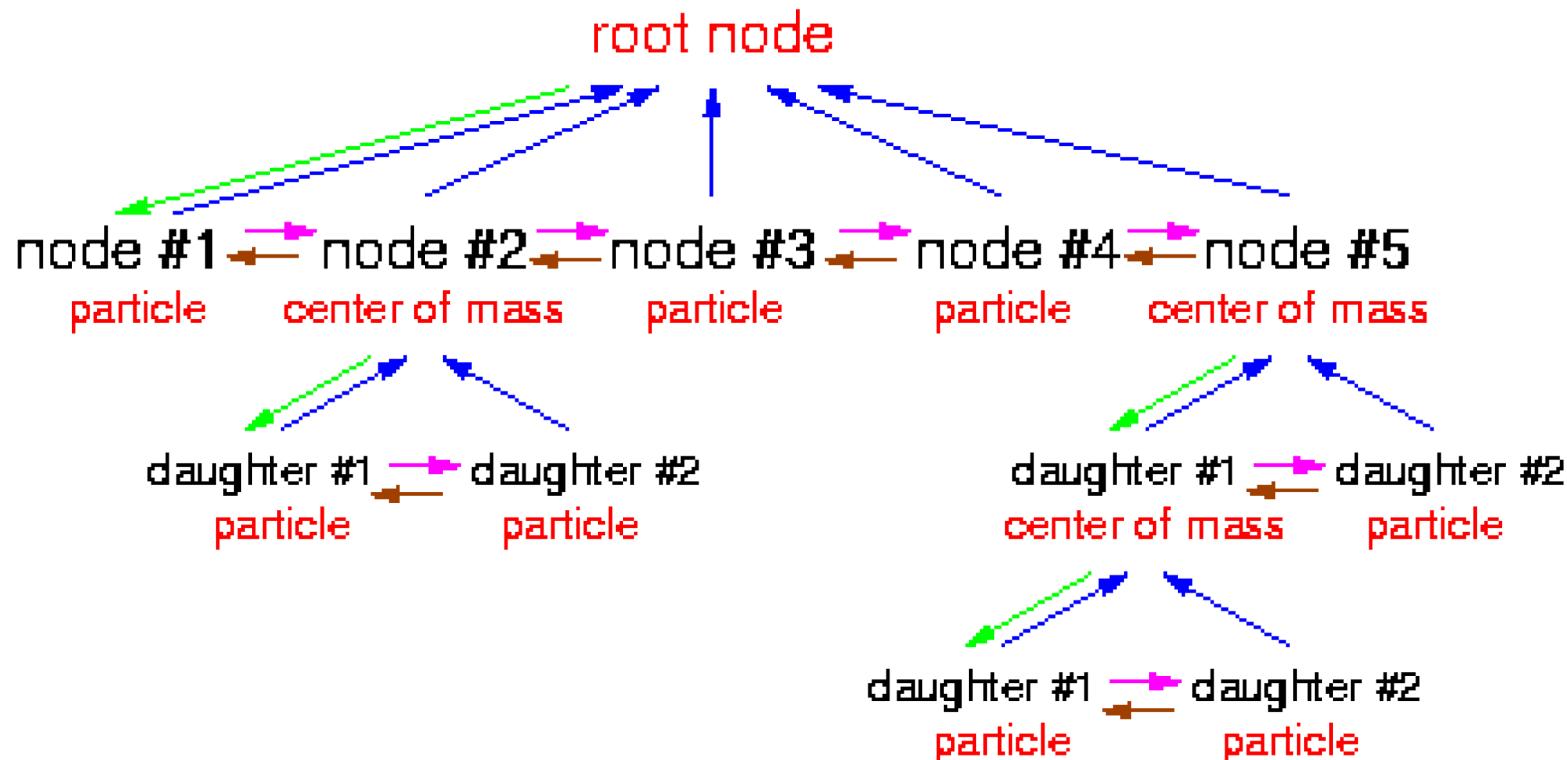
1. determines which stars need to be updated
2. checks for: reinitialization, log output, escaper removal, termination, snapshot output
3. perform low-order prediction (grape)
4. calculates acceleration/jerk and correct position/velocities (grape)
5. checks for all unperturbed motion
6. checks for collisions and mergers
7. checks tree reorganization
8. checks for stellar/binary evolution

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TREE simpler than tree code: leaves are single stars, parents can be binaries or multiples, no more



Forces are computed using direct summation over all other particles in the system; no tree or neighbor-list constructs are used!!!

NO O(N logN)

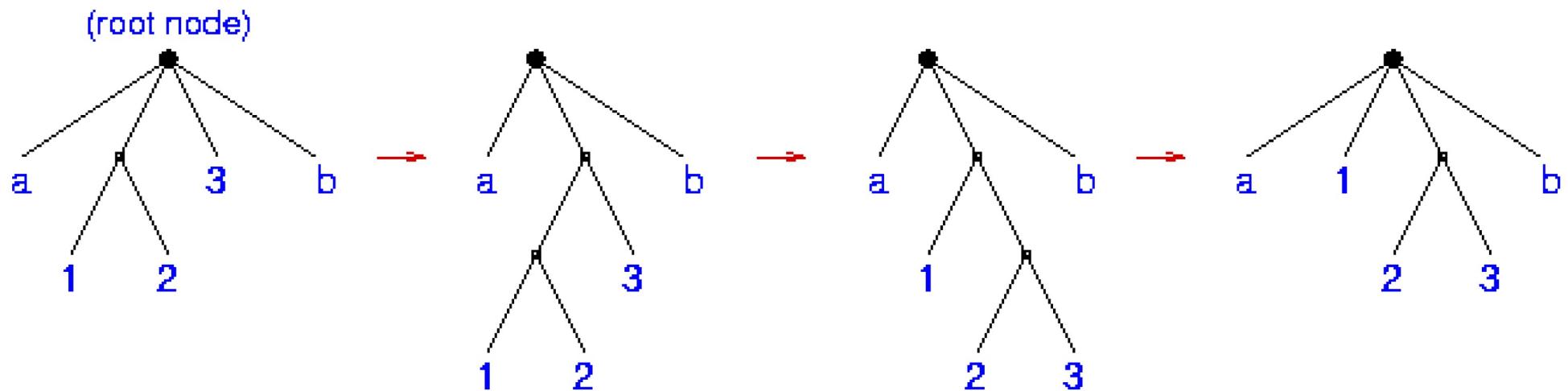
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Example of a 3-body encounter



PERTURBED binaries (3-body) are splitted into components

UNPERTURBED binaries are evolved ANALYTICALLY

Critical point: how to decide perturber list!!!

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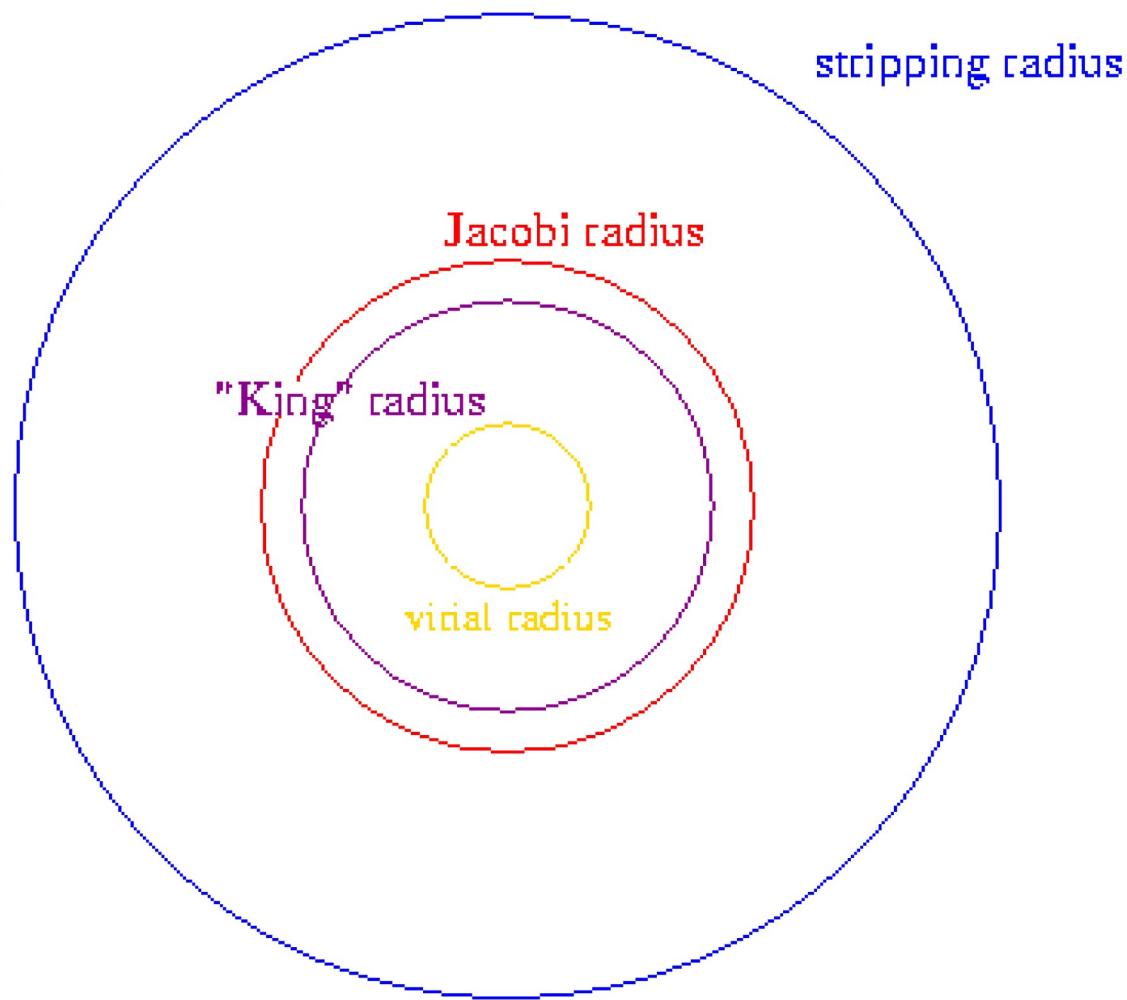
ESCAPER REMOVAL (not in current simulations)

* Virial radius

* King radius:
cutoff of King model

* Jacoby radius:
tidal radius

*stripping radius:
radius for escaper
removal
(eg 2 Jacobi)



3) the stellar evolution: SEBA

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/seba/>

Portegies Zwart & Verbunt 1996

* Particles in collisional dynamics usually coincide with STARS:

- have stellar mass ($\sim m_{\text{sun}}$, distributed according to IMF)
- have stellar radius

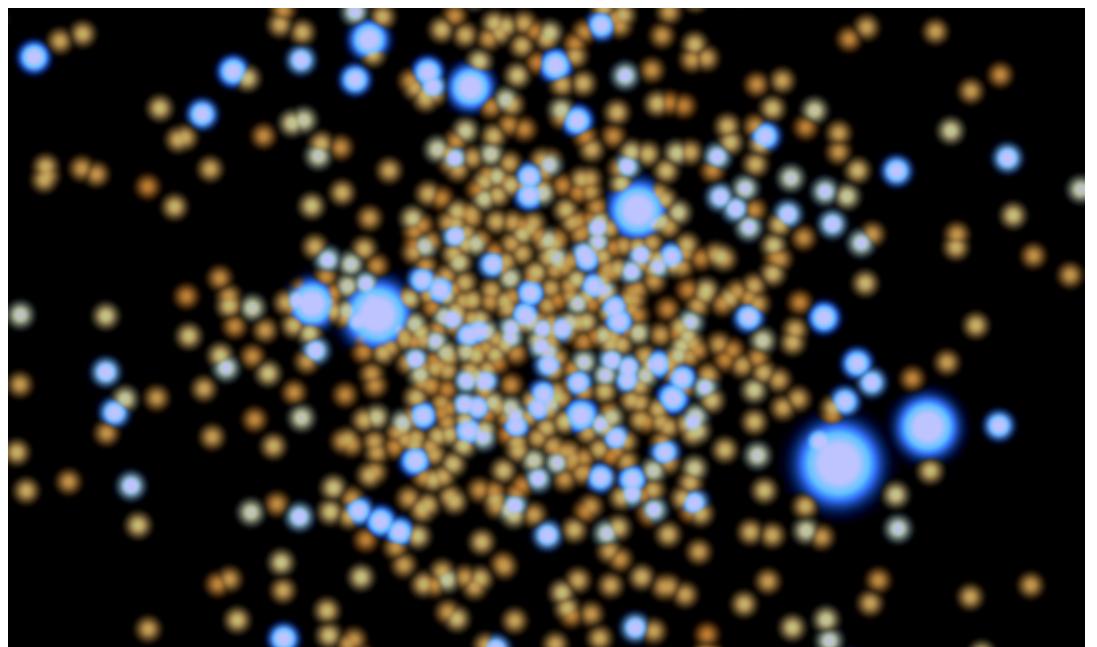
* If code includes prescriptions for stellar evolution and binary evolution (population-synthesis code), each particle has:

- luminosity,
- temperature,
- stellar type,

WHICH EVOLVE IN TIME!

* Stars in binaries can transfer mass, collide, merge, feel tidal evolution

* Stars can undergo supernova explosions and become compact objects (black holes, neutron stars)



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proto star (0) Non hydrogen burning stars on the Hyashi track

planet (1) Various types, such as gas giants, etc.; also includes moons.

brown dwarf (2) Star with mass below the hydrogen-burning limit.

main sequence (3) Core hydrogen burning star.

Hypergiant (4) Massive ($m>25M_{\odot}$) post main sequence star with enormous mass-loss rate in a stage of evolution prior to becoming a Wolf-Rayet star.

Hertzsprung gap (5) Rapid evolution from the Terminal-age main sequence to the point when the hydrogen-depleted core exceeds the Schonberg-Chandrasekhar limit.

sub giant (6) Hydrogen shell burning star.

horizontal branch (7) Helium core burning star.

supergiant (8) Double shell burning star.

helium star (9-11) Helium core of a stripped giant, the result of mass transfer in a binary. Subdivided into carbon core (9), helium dwarf (10) and helium giant (11).

white dwarf (12-14) Subdivided into carbon dwarf (12) , helium dwarf (13) and oxygen dwarf (13).

Thorne-Zytkow (15) Shell burning hydrogen envelope with neutron star core.

neutron star (16-18) Subdivided into X-ray pulsar (16), radio pulsar (17) and inert neutron (18) star ($m<2M_{\odot}$).

black hole (19) Star with radius smaller than the event horizon. The result of evolution of massive ($m>25M_{\odot}$) star or collapsed neutron star.

disintegrated (20) Result of Carbon detonation to Type Ia supernova.

4) the outputs

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/internals/>
comes naturally from the class structure

PARTICLE:
each single
node

```
(Particle
    i = 4
    N = 1
(Log
Close encounter with black hole #7 at time 10 Myr
)Log
```

```
(Dynamics
    m = 0.5
    r = -0.1 0.2 0.5
    v = 0.3 -0.4 -0.3
```

```
)Dynamics
```

```
(Hydro
```

```
)Hydro
```

```
(Star
```

```
Type      = main_sequence
T_cur     = 0
M_rel     = 1
M_env     = 0.99
M_core    = 0.01
T_eff     = 6000
L_eff     = 1
```

```
)Star
```

```
)Particle
```

Hydro story
of the node

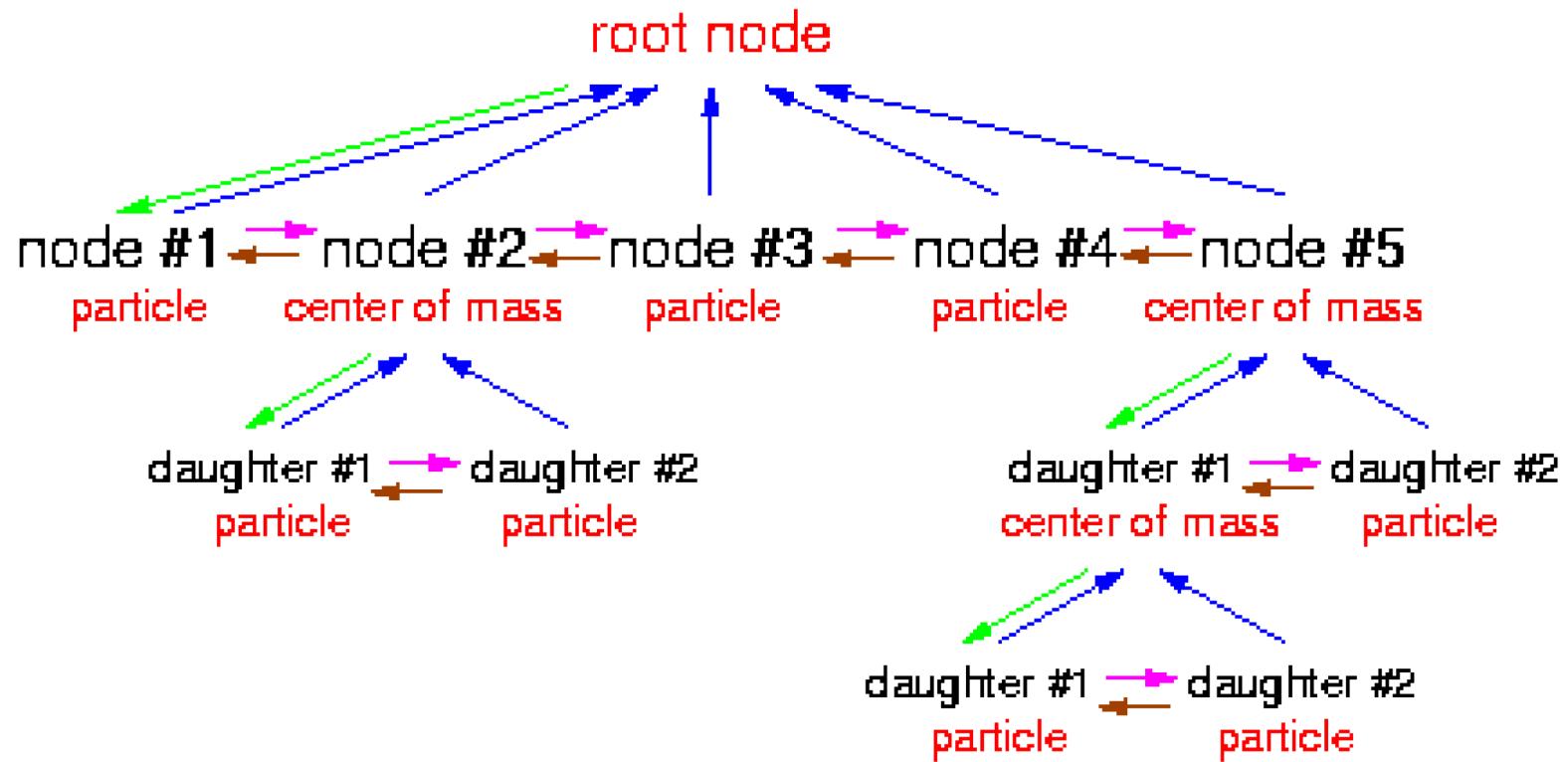
LOG: log
story of the
node

DYN story of
the node

STAR class
story

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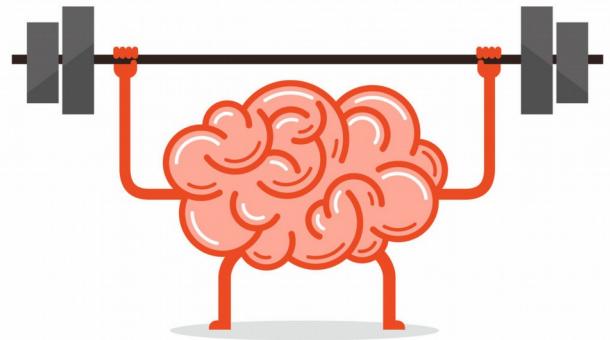
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PARTICLE: can be single ($N = 1$), or a binary ($N=2$) with 2 daughter particles, or a root (name=root), or more complicated dependence

```
(Particle      <-----.
 N = 1
(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 1
)Dynamics
)Particle    <-----.
(Particle    <-----.
 N = 1
(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 1
)Dynamics
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(Particle    <-----.
 N = 1
(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 1
)Dynamics
)Particle    <-----.
(Particle    <-----.
```

```
(Particle      <-----.
 N = 2
(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 1
)Dynamics
(Particle    <-----.
 N = 1
(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 0.5
)Dynamics
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(Log
)Log
(Dynamics
 m = 0.5
)Dynamics
)Particle    <-----.
(Particle    <-----.
```

Exercise # 11:



With my help (next slides)

- * compile starlab
- * generate initial conditions for a simple King model
- * run the initial conditions with kira

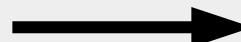
5) compilation & installation

```
tar xvfz starlab.tgz  
cd starlab/  
make clean  
.configure --without-f77  
make  
make install
```

Executables are in `usr/bin/`

NB: you might have the following error

```
/tmp/ccLw1BTp.o: In function `main':  
sqrt.c:(.text+0x3b): undefined reference to `sqrt'  
collect2: error: ld returned 1 exit status  
make[1]: *** [sqrt] Error 1
```



```
cd sbin/  
mv sqrt.c sqrt.cpp
```

6) writing initial conditions

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/examples/>

Use a sh script (easier and keep memory): makeking.sh

```
./makeking -n 1000 -w 5 -i -u \
| ./makemass -f 8 -l 0.1 -u 150 \
| ./makesecondary -f 0.1 -q -l 0.1 \
| ./add_star -R 1 \
| ./scale -R 1 -M 1 \
| ./makebinary -f 2 -o 1 -l 1 -u 1000000.0 \
> king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt
```

- * makeking: generates a king profile with
 - n number of centres of mass
 - w dimensionless central potential
 - i number the particles sequentially
 - u leave final N-body system unscaled
- src/node/dyn/init/makeking.C**

Useful alternative: makeplummer (**src/node/dyn/init/makeplummer.C**)

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```

- * makemass: generates mass of primary & single stars from IMF
 - f 1-8: kind of IMF (1 Power-law, 2 Miller & Scalo, 3 Scalo, 4 old Kroupa, 5 DeMarchi, 6 old Kroupa+ 1991, 7 two power law, 8 Kroupa 2001)
 - l minimum star mass (units of Msun)
 - u maximum star mass (units of Msun)
- src/node/util/makemass.C**

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```

- * makesecondary: generates mass of secondary from flat distribution
 - f binary fraction
 - q if present, secondary mass ratio is chosen uniformly on [lower_limit, upper_limit]
 - l lower limit secondary mass (if -q in fraction of primary mass)
 - u upper limit secondary mass (if -q in fraction of primary mass)
 - If not specified =1
- src/node/util/makesecondary.C

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```

* add_star: generates physical properties of stars (radius)

-M mscale - mass scale for stars. If not set uses Mtot → better!

-R lscale - dynamical size scaling (in parsecs)

Error if you do not put anything. May be virial radius of cluster or other scale. Suggestion: put 1 (1 parsec=44370956 sun radii), otherwise you lose control on units.

src/star/sstar/init/add_star.C

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```

* add_star: produces in output

(Star

```
mass_scale    = 0.00137394860469027469
size_scale    = 2.2550000000000001e-08
time_scale    = 1.81681396487543956
```

)Star

1/Mtot in Msun
1/Rsun in pc NB!
BUG!!!
1/tscale in Myr
in Zsun

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```

* kira + add_star: produces in stderr

scale factors taken from input snapshot

[m]: 727.829 M_sun
[R]: 1 pc
[T]: 0.550414 Myr

Mscale =Mtot/Msun
lscale in pc
tscale in Myr

6) writing initial conditions

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/examples/>

Use a sh script (easier and keep memory): makeking.sh

```
./makeking -n 1000 -w 5 -i -u \
| ./makemass -f 8 -l 0.1 -u 150 \
| ./makesecondary -f 0.1 -q -l 0.1 \
| ./add_star -R 1 \
| ./scale -R 1 -M 1 \
| ./makebinary -f 2 -o 1 -l 1 -u 1000000.0 \
> king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt
```

* scale: generates physical scales for final SC

-R specify virial radius

in parsecs, if add_star -R 1 →

(1) ./add_star -R 1 | ./scale -R 5 means rvir=5 in units of 1 pc → rvir=5 pc!!

in units of add_star, if add_star -R != 1 →

(2) ./add_star -R 5 | ./scale -R 1 means rvir=1 in units of 5 pc → rvir=5 pc!!

Almost equivalent, (1) easier, (2) gives more physical meaning to timescale

-M specify star cluster mass

in units of Mtot, if add_star has no -M option →

-M 1 means that mass units in the output file are /Mtot

IMPORTANT THAT SCALE BE AFTER ADD_STAR IF STAR EVOL
src/node/dyn/util/scale.C

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* makebinary: generates orbital properties of primordial binaries

-f function select option

1: angular momentum per unit reduced mass

($L^2 = am[1-e^2]$), solar units

2: semi-major axis or peri/apo, solar units

3: energy

-o specify interpretation of limits - With -f 2 -o 1: semi-major axis,

-l lower limit on selected binary parameter (sma in Rsun)

-u upper limit on selected binary parameter (sma in Rsun)

src/node/dyn/init/makebinary.C

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Last note on units

-units of stdoutput:

In (Dynamics ..)Dynamics units scaled to Mscale, Iscale, tscale (note *)

In (Star ..)Star units scaled to Msun, Rsun=6.95e10 cm, Myr

-units in stderr:

units scaled to Msun, Rsun=6.95e10 cm, Myr

Note * = Iscale is that in stderr ([R]: .. pc)

or 2.255e-8/(value in stdout)

where 2.255e-8=Rsun in pc

7) running kira

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/kira/>

Use a sh script (easier and keep memory): run_kira.sh

```
./kira -t 5 -d 1 -D 1 -b 1 -n 10 -e 0.000 -B -s 31107 \
< king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt \
> out_king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt \
2> err_king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt
```

- t number of timesteps
- d log output interval
- D snapshot interval
- b specify frequency of full binary output
- n minimum number of particles (below n terminate simulation,
i.e. if >(N-n) stars escape and are removed, terminate the simulation)
- e softening
- B with binary evolution (and also star, otherwise -S)
- s random seed (default internal clock)

8) visualize outputs

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/kira/>

Simple : use xstarplot

```
./xstarplot < out_king_n1000_frac01_W5.txt
```

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More quantitative: use chop_snapshots.py and read_output.py

* chop_snapshots.py: starlab writes a single output file which contains different output times, but usually we want to analyze stellar properties at a given time.

chop_snapshots.py divides the output of starlab in single SNAPSHOTS, i.e. outputs with a single time

* read_output.py: reads the outputs of chop_snapshots.py and transforms them into more readable ascii format (columns)

c.1:Time[Myr] c.2:Mass[Msun] c.3:x[pc] c.4:y[pc] c.5:z[pc]
c.6:vx[km/s] c.7:vy[km/s] c.8:vz[km/s] c.9:Lum[Lsun] c.10:Temp[K]
c.11:ID c.12:StarType c.13:single/binary

Exercise # 12:

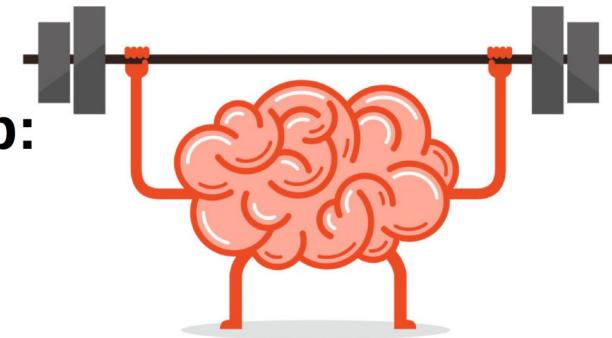
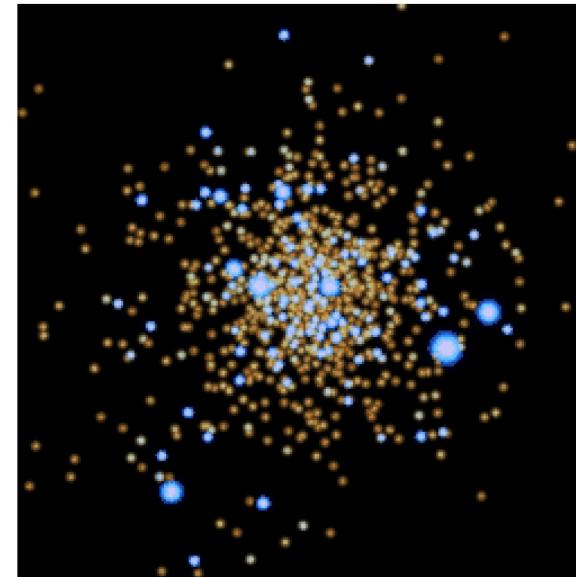
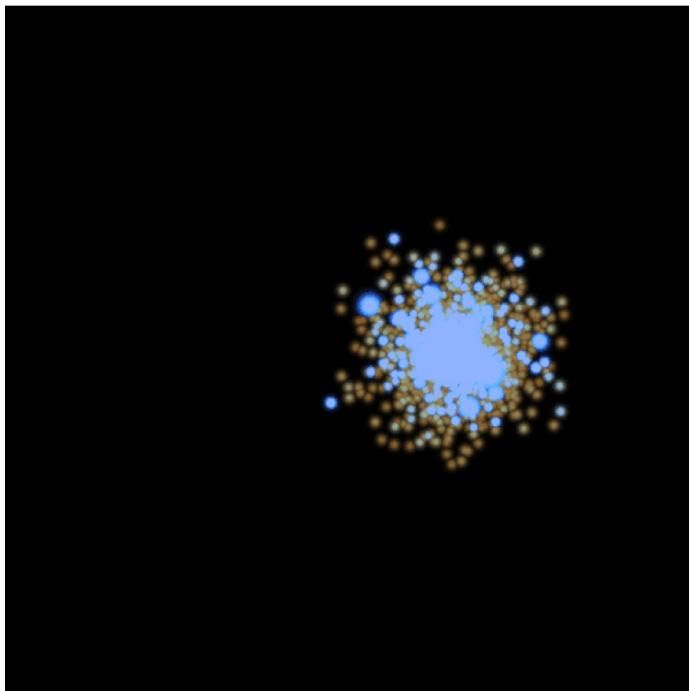
RUN some EXAMPLES of starlab on your laptop:

1- isolated star cluster, 2000 stars, NO BINARIES

`createIC_template.sh`: initial conditions

`run_template.sh`: run with kira

`./xstarplot < stdout_N2000_W5_Z01.txt`
on the fly movie



2- star cluster in Plummer tidal field, 700 stars, no bin.

`IC_tidal_field_template.sh`: initial conditions

`run_tidal_field_template.sh`: run with kira

`./xstarplot -I 20 < stdout_td_N700_W5_Z01.txt`
on the fly movie

3 – use `chop_snapshots.py` and `read_output.py` to produce movies of the clusters (or similar plots)

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- * If use my metallicity-dep. Version
cite Mapelli+ 2013MNRAS.429.2298M

10) Online material:

http://www.science.uva.nl/sites/modesta/wiki/index.php/Starlab_tools

and of course

<http://www.sns.ias.edu/~starlab/index.html>

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