

Keyboard interaction for ThermoBounce chemical kinetics simulation

| key | meaning | initial state |
|-----|---|---------------------------------|
| b | go back from yellow or green to red state button | not applicable; one time action |
| c | toggle random velocities | on |
| d | toggle copying of temperature jumps | off |
| e | toggle top and front eye icons | on |
| f | reset viewing transformation to the identity | identity |
| g | advance sphere motion one frame if stopped | not applicable; one time action |
| i | toggle infinite vs. finite room ceiling | infinite |
| j | show no, just current, or all temperature jump arrows | none |
| m | decrease shutter open fraction of frame for blur | 1 |
| o | toggle orthogonal vs. perspective viewing | perspective |
| p | increase shutter open fraction of frame for blur | 1 |
| q | toggle check sphere penetration for debugging | off |
| r | toggle random positions | on |
| s | toggle sphere collisions | on |
| t | toggle top vs. side view | side |
| u | toggle uniform vs. exponentially decreasing y | exponential |
| v | toggle stop sphere motion | off |
| y | toggle rotation only about the Y axis | on |
| w | toggle separate room temperature effects | on |

The shutter open time is analogous to the rotating shutter fraction in a live-action film movie camera, which is normally 0.5 or less, but I use 1 to make the blur segments connect without gaps. Values > 1 are also OK. Typing the f key will reset the view back to the initial side view, canceling rotation, translation, and orthogonal viewing. The decrease in the density of initial particles as a negative exponential in y is similar to the exponential decrease of atmospheric density with height above sea level. It is consistent with the exponential factor of the Maxwell_Boltzmann distribution, which decreases exponentially with the kinetic energy of the molecules, since the gravitational potential energy is converted to kinetic energy as the spheres fall. But you can make the distribution constant per unit volume by typing u. The separate room temperature setting computes the average particle temperature separately for each room, for the decision of whether to slow down or speed up the velocity when a particle hits a room wall, floor, or ceiling, in order to make the temperature of the gas of particles move towards the desired temperature set by the user.