

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

### **A. BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY**

Electrophoresis is the separation of charged molecules in an applied electric field. The Principle of Electrophoresis states that if a mixture of electrically charged biomolecules is placed in an electric field, they will move towards the electrode of opposite charge [1].

One of the molecules that can be studied through Electrophoresis is the Deoxyribonucleic Acid or the DNA. The DNA is a nucleic acid molecule which contains the genetic instructions of living organisms. Generally, there are different types of dynamics models for DNA molecules. One of these models is the Bead- spring Model [2]. It incorporates molecular rigidity by means of springs between beads, which are second neighbors along the contour of the chain. These springs are equivalent to elastic forces having longitudinal and transversal contributions [3].

The most common method to separate DNA molecules according to their size is Gel Electrophoresis. In this method, a molecule is to pass through a gel which serves as a sieve to filter out the short strands from the long ones. Separation techniques like electrophoresis offer the analysis and structural identification of complex mixtures which may lead to drug discovery [4].

In addition to Electrophoresis, Entropic Trapping was introduced as another dynamic method to be used in the process. The idea in Entropic trapping includes the characterization of the movement of a long DNA polymer in an artificial channel with entropic traps [5]. Entropic trapping constitutes a different scheme for separating various length strands of DNA using chips etched to the channel. Deep portions of the chip, acting as entropic traps in a chain-length dependent manner, hinder DNA solute transport occurring under the influence of an externally-applied electric field [6].

There are currently existing computer simulations on Gel Electrophoresis which can help students in their experiments by providing a “virtual lab” and giving results faster than the mechanical way of doing it. There are no currently available computer simulations on Entropic trapping, but more studies are being made for the development of entropic trapping.

## **B. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM**

The DNA is an important biomolecule being studied by many scientists. One way of studying the kinetics of the DNA molecule is through Electrophoresis. Since the movement of DNA molecules in a solution is independent of their length, a gel is usually introduced to the DNA. This gel serves as a random sieve. Gel electrophoresis can be used to separate DNA fragments. It uses an electric current to separate molecules of different sizes in a porous, sponge- like matrix. Unfortunately, the efficiency of gel electrophoresis decreases with the length of the DNA [7]. Therefore, much recent effort has been given and devoted to designing and creating well- defined microstructured devices for DNA separation.

A computer simulation that can provide numerical and graphical data for studying these DNA molecules is needed to provide a better understanding of the behavior of the molecule given a particular condition with different parameters during DNA separation.

## **C. OBJECTIVES**

To develop a computer simulation of DNA motion in entropic trapping with the following functionalities:

1. allows users to enter the parameters needed for the simulation, particularly the temperature, electric field, and bead size
2. perform computations
  - a. Force of interaction
    - i. Force on the spring
    - ii. Force on the bead
  - b. Electric force
  - c. Random force
  - d. Integration of the Equation of Motion

3. outputs the results of the simulation
  - a. numerical data containing the value of the position of the  $i$ th bead
  - b. graphical data of the position of the  $i$ th bead with respect to time
4. outputs the graph resulting from the simulation in a PNG image file

#### **D. SIGNIFICANCE**

The computer simulation for the motion of the DNA in free- flow electrophoresis will be very helpful to microbiologists and chemists. Since they are the ones who are working in the laboratories most of the time, this can be an efficient tool in their study of the DNA. The simulation will show the movement of the DNA given an environment with entropic trappings, and as a result, they will be able to classify the large molecules from the small ones [8].

The concept of the separation of the DNA is not only useful to microbiologists and chemists, but also to pharmacists. This process can also help them know the effects of a medicine to a particular gene.

This proposed system can also be used by students studying chemistry or biochemistry. A normal experiment involving gel electrophoresis usually takes hours to execute, so with the help of this simulation, students can get results for their experiments at a much shorter time [9].

#### **E. SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS**

1. The simulation is concerned with electrophoresis using uniform transverse electricfield.
2. The simulation is concerned with the movement of the DNA in an Entropic trapping environment.
3. The simulation is limited to one- dimentional motion only.

4. The graphical output of the simulation can be saved as a PNG image file.
5. The chain size is set to three molecules.
6. The interbead distance is a fixed value.

## F. ASSUMPTIONS

The following are assumed in this project:

1. The molecules are massless.
2. The molecules have constant net charge based on the base pairs.
3. The beads of the molecules are non- intersecting.
4. The molecule in the simulation is traversing in a free- flowing environment with random force.
5. The constants of the simulation are the following:
  - Spring constant,  $k = 100$
  - Charge,  $q_{\text{net}} = 0.48 \text{ me}^-$
  - Transit time =  $0.00051 \text{ sec.}$
  - Time step =  $0.00000008925$
  - Initial Electric Field,  $E_0 = 65 \text{ V/m}$
  - Boltzmann constant =  $1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J/K}$

## **II. Review of Related Literature**

Currently, many separation devices are used, or are being developed for the study of the DNA molecule. One example is gel electrophoresis which has existing computer simulations to demonstrate how it is done.

Randy Russell's Gel Electrophoresis Simulation is an interactive, "data- driven" application wherein the positions of the bands for each sample are controlled by simple numerical list variables. Its goal is to determine which of the proteins (hemoglobin, actin, and myosin) are present in liver and muscle tissue samples. It can also be modified to support different samples with different banding patterns [10].

Virtual Lab: Agarose Gel Electrophoresis of Restriction Fragments is a simulation of an agarose gel electrophoresis setup that allows you to understand how restriction enzyme digests are analyzed. It allows the user to set up and run a gel. One thing that can be observed in the simulation is if two fragments of DNA differ in size by only a small amount (say less than 100 bp for fragments larger than about 1 kb), they will run sufficiently close to one another to appear as a single band. [11].

SimGel is an interactive 2D Gel Electrophoresis Simulator that helps the user analyze ordinary electrophoresis quantitatively, interactively, and in details of single nucleotide/amino-acid of every spot with pin-point accuracy. SimGel allows the user to do the following: try many kind of restriction enzymes and examine optimal experimented condition in advance, pin-point the approximate location of the focused spots, view the location of spots without any smear and gel distortion, trace the location of

spots(labeled/unlabeled) in arbitrary time-scale and physical scale, measure the spots in one nucleotide/amino-acid wise and review the nucleotide/amino-acid sequence interactively. [12].

The Physlets' BioGel is a simple applet of a gel electrophoresis simulation which allows the user to practice running gels without having to go through the long, messy process. The user can also add up to eight values for kilobase pairs, change the strength of the electric field, and alter the concentration of the gel agarose. [13].

Gel Explorer is a new Gel Documentation Imaging System provides for the analysis of many applications including DNA/RNA gels, protein gels, blots and arrays, TLC plates, and colony counting. The system is available with several camera options and includes many features offered on more expensive Gel Doc systems [14].

PeakMaster is a freeware program useful for people engaged in capillary zone electrophoresis. It predicts parameters of background electrolytes and analyte peaks. The model enables optimization of background electrolyte (BGE) systems for capillary zone electrophoresis. The model allows putting to use uni- or di- or trivalent electrolytes and allows also for modeling highly acidic or alkaline BGEs. It takes into account the dependence of ionic mobilities and dissociation of weak electrolytes on the ionic strength. The model calculates the effective mobility of analytes and predicts parameters of the system that are experimentally available, such as the transfer ratio, which is a measure of the sensitivity in the indirect UV detection or the molar conductivity detection response, which expresses the sensitivity of the conductivity detection. Further, the model enables evaluation of a tendency of the analyte to undergo electromigration dispersion or peak broadening. The suitability of the model is verified by comparison of the predicted results with experiments, even under conditions that are far from ideal (under extreme pH and a high ionic strength) [15].

The software package ElphoFit is a standalone computer application for the analysis of gel electrophoretic data. It is designed for Macintosh PCs and for the IBM XT, AT, PS/2 and compatibles. The program operates interactively with the user, who determines the course of evaluation. Data input is in

the format of files providing values of gel electrophoretic migration distances or particle mobility (absolute or relative). Data processing involves a simultaneous least-square curve fitting algorithm (Newton-Gauss, Marquardt-Levenberg). Functions are fit to the database by adjusting their variables, representing physical parameters of the gel and the electrophoresed particle. The program output consists of tables and graphics accompanied by an explanatory text [16].

GelSite is a software that allows analysis of molecular biology/gel electrophoresis plates by increasing efficiency and accuracy in the data analysis. It increases efficiency by accurately and automatically analyzing band location. By placing lane information on the gel image, band RF values (locations) are automatically determined based on differential threshold levels of bands images. It also supports cut and paste from other applications. After an image of the gel is taken, the image can be pasted into the view allowing immediate analysis. In addition, it archives all work and saves all work information in an internal data base. This allows you to restore the work and use it for later analysis on the same gel, or use a past archive to get started in a new analysis [17].

Another type of 1D electrophoresis software is LabImage 1D. Some of its features are accurate automatic lane detection, RF Calibration, molecular weight calibration, quantification / normalization, built in analysis workflow, background subtraction, band detection, documentation and visualization and reporting. It has a step-by-step workflow, strong image analysis algorithms, flexible reporting and data export which makes it one of the most advanced software solutions in 1D analysis [18].

UN-SCAN-IT-GEL software turns your scanner into a high speed densitometer and allows you to automatically analyze gel images at Full Scanner Resolution. It improves accuracy and reproducibility of electrophoresis gel analysis, thus eliminating the need for guesswork; reduce gel analysis times and increase laboratory productivity; determine the relative abundance and position of each band or segment within the gel; save data in ASCII format, and export into spreadsheet, data analysis, and graphics programs; digitize (x,y) graphs; graph and analyze (x,y) data [19].

### **III. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK**

A computer simulation is a computer program that attempts to create an abstract or theoretical model of a particular system. Computer simulations try to find solutions to problems which enable the prediction of the behavior of the system from a set of parameters and initial conditions [20]. These computer models have been useful in different fields of science and mathematics.

#### **Brownian Dynamics**

Here, we consider a Brownian Dynamics Simulation of the movement of DNA molecules in an entropic trapped channel.

In a Brownian dynamics simulation, the components of a system are allowed to respond to the instantaneous forces present in a given configuration, which causes the system to take up a new configuration. The forces in this new configuration are then recalculated, the system is then allowed to take up yet another configuration, and a sequence of such steps simulates the evolution of the true system in time [21].

#### **Entropic Trap Arrays**

One way of separating molecules is through the use of entropic traps. Figure 1 shows the schematic drawing of entropic trapping.





Figure 1. DNA in entropic trapping.

In this mechanism, the molecule gets stuck at the narrow areas of the device. This reduces the entropic free energy of the molecule. As the entropic energy loss increases with the chain length, long chains are expected to migrate slower than short ones [9].

### Bead- Spring Model

The bead- spring model is adopted, representing the DNA molecule as  $N$  beads or monomers of diameter  $\sigma$ . The beads are connected by harmonic springs with constant  $k$  as follows:

$$\frac{V^{sp}(r_n)}{k_B T} = \frac{1}{2} k \left( \frac{r_n}{\sigma} \right)^2,$$

where  $V^{sp}$  is the potential energy of the spring,  $r_n$  is the distance between neighboring beads,  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant, and  $T$  is the temperature. All beads are assumed to interact with each other through the Weeks- Chandler- Andersen (WCA) potential,

$$\frac{V^{WCA}(r)}{k_B T} = \begin{cases} \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma}{r} \right)^6 + \frac{1}{2}, & \frac{r}{\sigma} < 2^{1/6} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $r$  is the interbead distance [2].

Figure 2 is an illustration of a worm- like chain with vectors connecting positions on the chain [22].

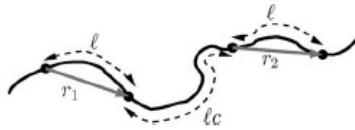


Figure 2. Worm- like chain

These vectors are crucial in knowing the position of the beads of the chain and how these positions affect their neighboring beads.

### **Runge- Kutta Algorithm**

The Runge- Kutta Algorithm is an iterative method in numerical analysis used to approximate solutions of ordinary differential equations.

Consider the single variable problem

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{x})$$

with initial condition  $x(0) = x_0$ . Suppose that  $x_n$  is the value of the variable at time  $t_n$ . The Runge-Kutta formula takes  $x_n$  and  $t_n$  and calculates an approximation for  $x_{n+1}$  at a brief time later,  $t_n+h$ . It uses a weighted average of approximated values of  $f(t, x)$  at several times within the interval  $(t_n, t_n+h)$ .

The formula is given by

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n + \frac{h}{6} (\mathbf{a} + 2 \mathbf{b} + 2 \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{d})$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{f}(t_n, \mathbf{x}_n)$$

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{f}(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, \mathbf{x}_n + \frac{h}{2} \mathbf{a})$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{f}(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, \mathbf{x}_n + \frac{h}{2} \mathbf{b})$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{f}(t_n + h, \mathbf{x}_n + h \mathbf{c})$$

To solve the differential equation, we start with  $x_0$  and find  $x_1$  using the formula above. Then we plug in  $x_1$  to find  $x_2$  and so on [23].

### **Graphical User Interface**

A **graphical user interface (GUI)** is a type of user interface which allows people to interact with a computer and computer-controlled devices which employ graphical icons, visual indicators or special graphical elements called "widgets", along with text, labels or text navigation to represent the information and actions available to a user. The actions are usually performed through direct manipulation of the graphical elements [24]. This system will make use of the GUI to accept input from the user, and equivalently, to show the desired outputs to the user.

#### IV. DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION

##### A. Context Flow Diagram

Figure 3 shows the basic structure of the system:

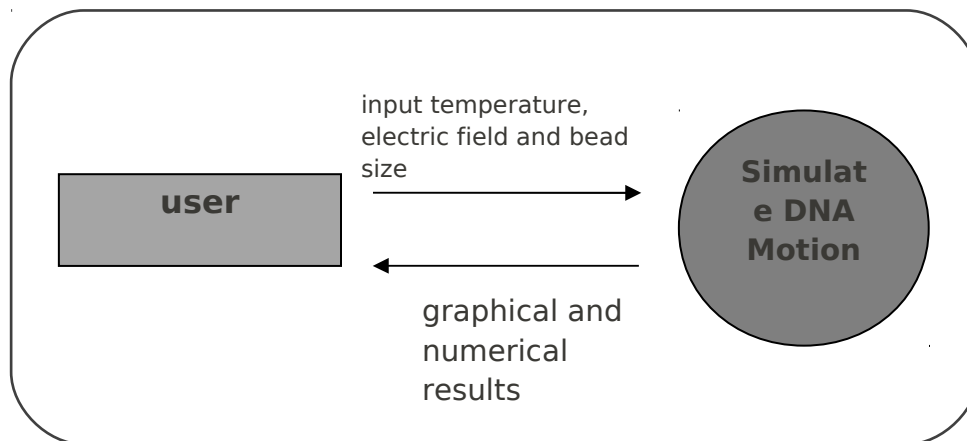


Figure 3. Context Flow Diagram of the system

The user of the system primarily inputs the parameters required for the simulation to run. Upon receiving the input parameters together with the other pre-defined parameter (constant) values, the system will

then simulate the DNA motion. Afterwards, the simulation will output the results, both numerical and graphical results to the user.

## B. Data Flow Diagram

Figure 4 shows the Top Level Data Flow Diagram of the system. The processes involved are inputting the parameters, computing the potential energies, computing the forces, integrating the main equation and displaying the results back to the user. The results will be saved in a database where the user can view previous simulation results.

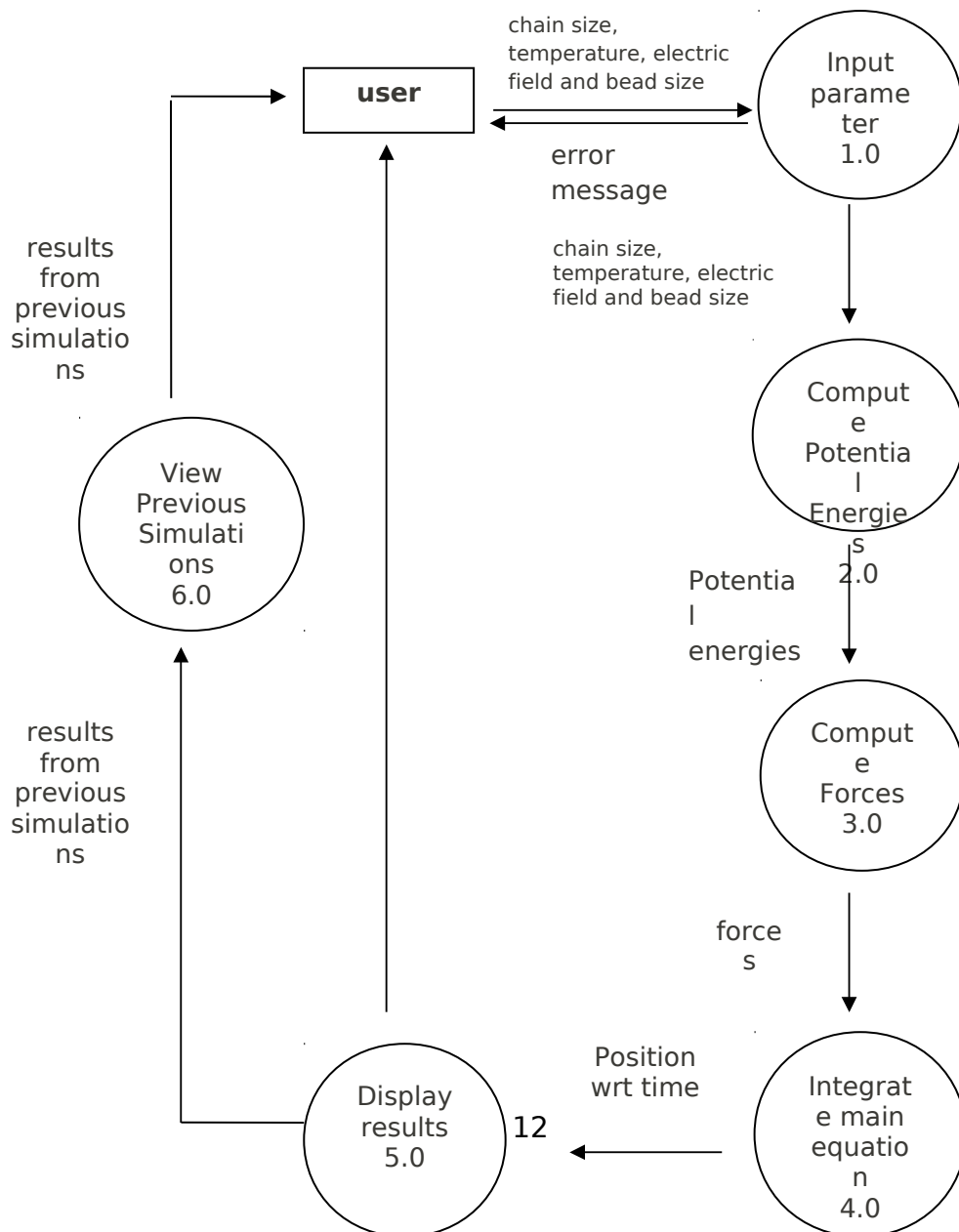


Figure 4. Top Level DFD

Figure 5 shows the subexplosion of the first process, Input parameter. It includes the checking of the chain size, temperature, electric field, distance between beads and number of traps entered by the user and sends an error message if the input is incorrect.

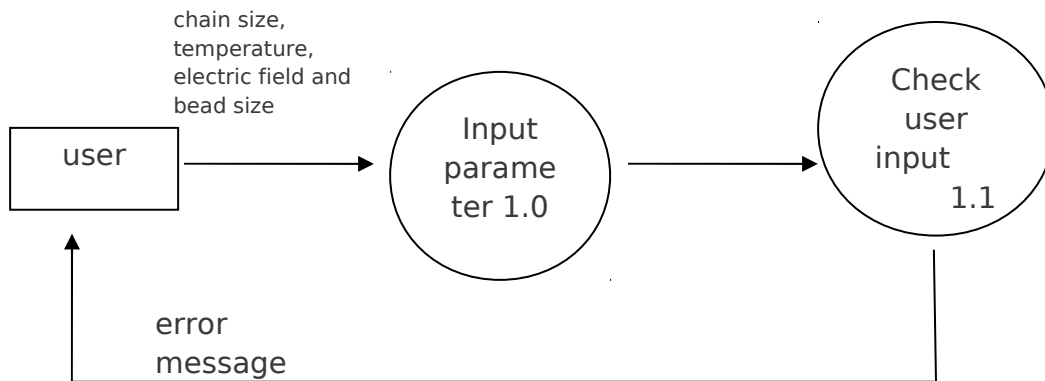


Figure 5. Subexplosion of the first process

Figure 6 shows the subexplosion of the second process, Compute Potential Energies. It includes the computation of the Potential Energy of the Spring and the Potential Energy of the Pair.

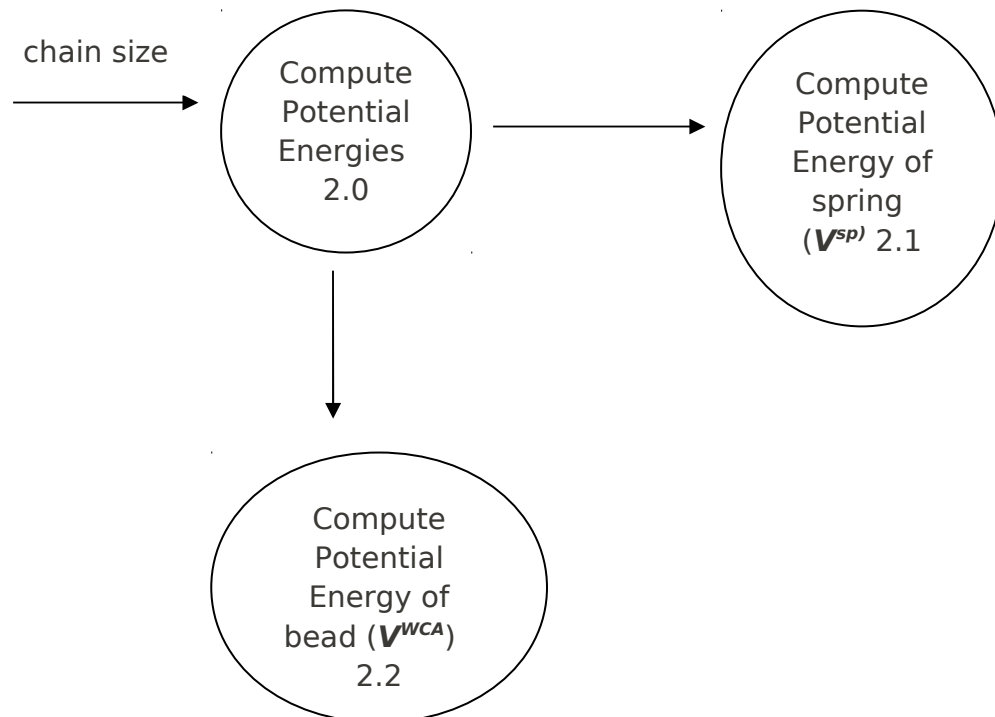


Figure 6. Subexplosion of second process

Figure 7 shows the subexplosion of the third process, Compute Forces. It includes the computation of the Force of Interaction, the Electric Force and the Random Force.

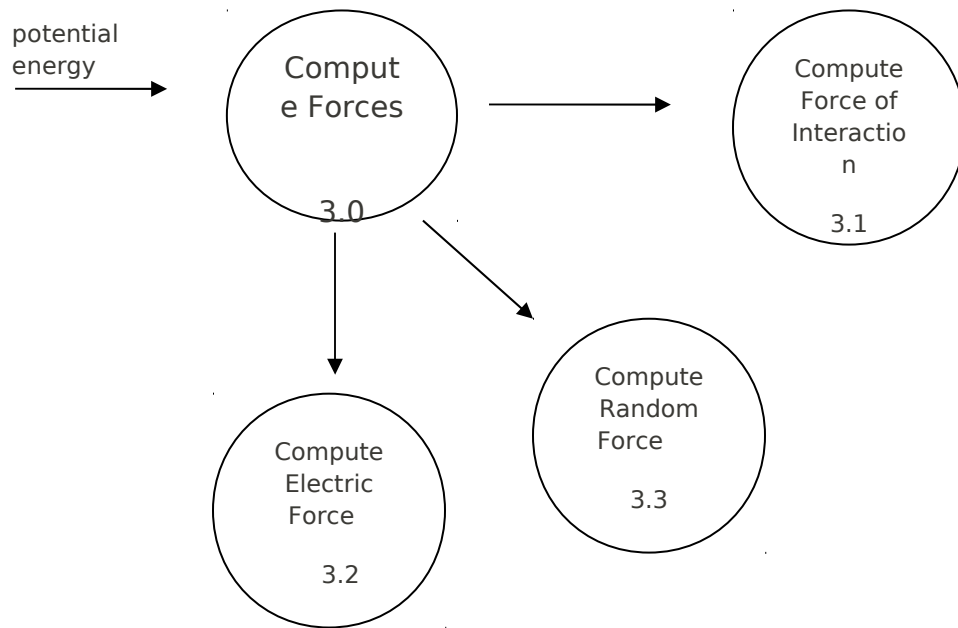


Figure 7. Subexplosion of third process

Figure 8 shows the subexplosion of the fourth process, Integrate main equation. It includes the integration of the Forces derived from the third process such as the Force of Interaction, the Electric Force and the Random Force.

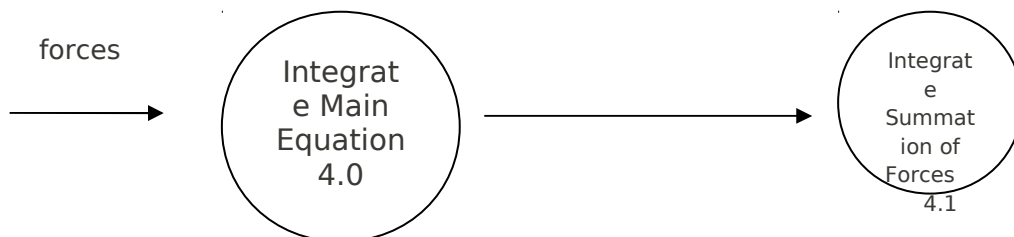


Figure 8. Subexplosion of fourth process

Figure 9 shows the subexplosion of the fifth process, Display Results. It includes displaying the numerical and graphical results. The graphs from previous simulations will then be saved to a database.

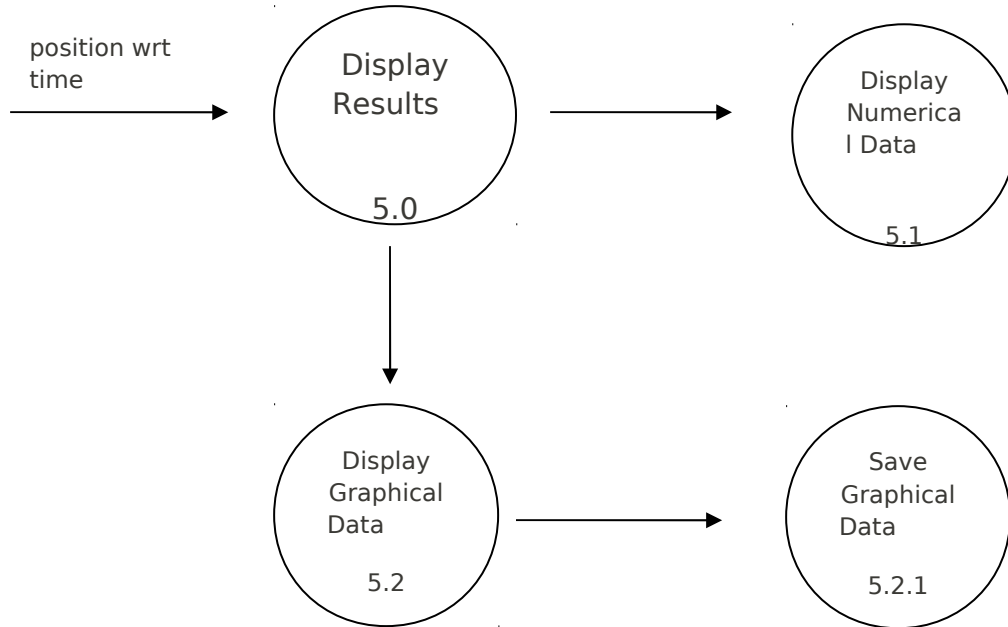


Figure 9. Subexplosion of the fifth process

### **C. Flowchart**

Figure 10 shows the schematic diagram of the system.



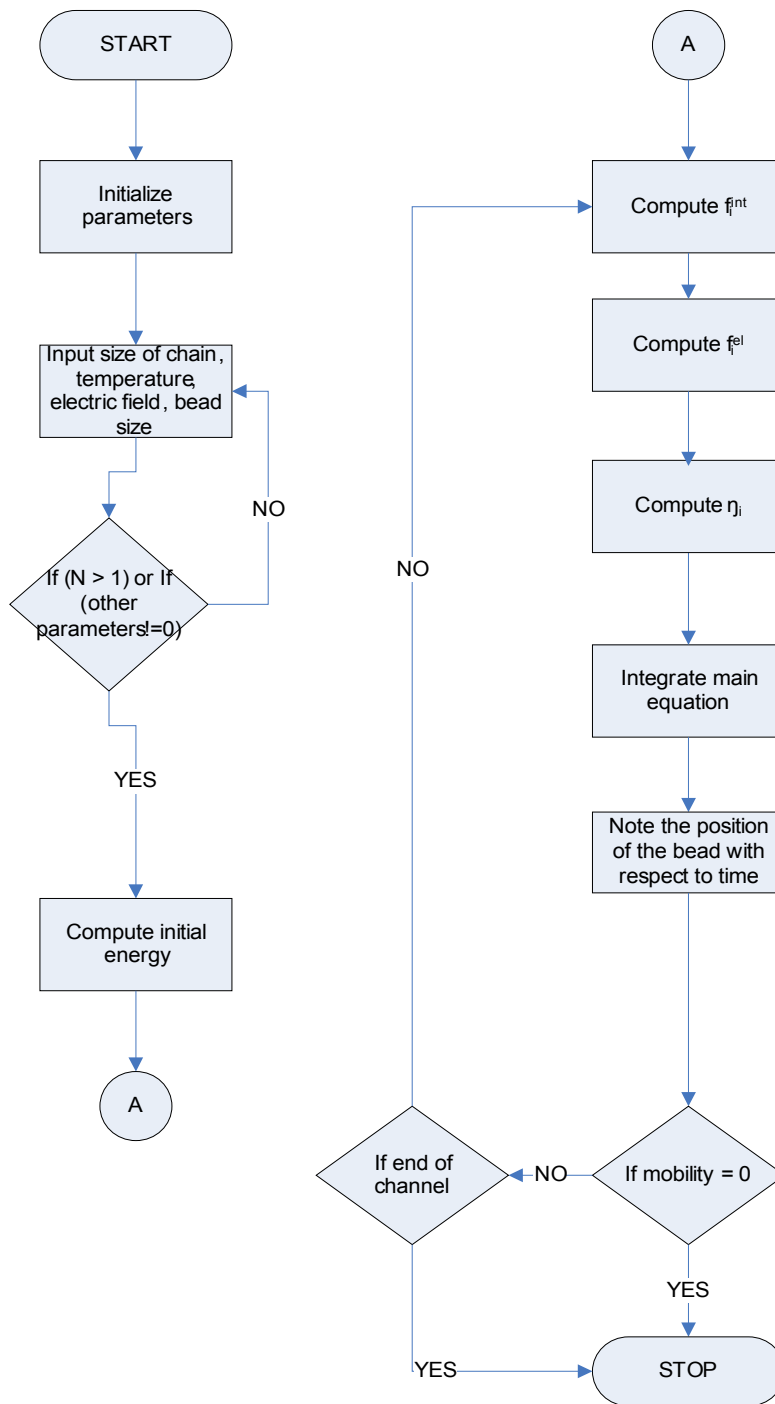


Figure 10. Flow chart

The main routines of the system:

1. Computing for the Force of Interaction,  $f_i^{\text{int}}$

This includes the computation of the Potential Energies and the Forces of the spring and the bead.

The computation for the Force of the Spring is initiated by the following equation:

$$\frac{V_{sp}}{K_B T} = \frac{1}{2} k \left( \frac{r_n}{\sigma} \right)^2$$

where  $V^{sp}$  is the potential energy of the spring,  $r_n$  is the distance between neighboring beads,  $\sigma$  is the diameter of the bead,  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant, and  $T$  is the temperature.

Getting the negative derivative of this equation yields

$$f_{sp} = -\frac{k K_B T}{\sigma^2} r_n$$

which is the corresponding Force of the Spring.

The Potential Energy of the Bead-to-Bead Interaction is given by:

$$\frac{V_{wca}}{K_B T} = \left( \frac{\sigma}{r_n} \right)^{12} - \left( \frac{\sigma}{r_n} \right)^6 + \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{r_n}{\sigma} < 2^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

where  $V^{wca}$  is the Weeks-Chandler-Andersen Potential,  $r$  is the interbead distance,  $\sigma$  is the diameter of the bead,  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant, and  $T$  is the temperature.

Same as the spring, the derivative of this equation gives the Force of the Bead-to-Bead Interaction

$$f_{wca} = K_B T \left( \frac{12\sigma^{12}}{r_n^{13}} - \frac{6\sigma^6}{r_n^7} \right)$$

After computing for the Force of the Spring and the Force of the Bead-to-Bead interaction, the Force of Interaction is solved by getting the sum of the two forces

$$\mathbf{f}_i^{\text{int}} = \mathbf{f}^{\text{spring}} + \mathbf{f}^{\text{bead-bead}}$$

2. Computing for the Electric Force,  $f_i^{el}$

The Electric Force is computed as

$$\mathbf{f}_i^{el} = q_{net}(\mathbf{E}_o - \mathbf{E}_T)$$

where  $q_{net} = 0.48me-$ ,  $\mathbf{E}_o$  is a constant electric field and  $\mathbf{E}_T$  is the transverse electric field.

3. Computing for the Random Force,  $\eta_i$

The Random Force is given by

$$\eta_i = \left( \frac{k_B T}{\sigma} \right) \sqrt{\frac{6\tau}{\Delta t}} \psi_i$$

where  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant,  $T$  is the temperature,  $\sigma$  is the diameter of the bead,  $\tau = 5.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec.}$ ,  $\Delta t = 1.75 \times 10^{-4} \tau$  and  $\psi_i$  is a random vector that has independent components uniformly distributed on  $[-1,1]$ .

4. The Equation of Motion for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bead

The equation of motion for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bead is given by

$$\dot{r}_i = \frac{f_i^{\text{int}} + f_i^{el} + \eta_i}{\zeta}$$

It is integrated using the Fourth Order Runge Kutta to get the position of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bead with respect to time.

$$\begin{aligned}
k_{1i} &= (f_i^{\text{int}}(r_i) + f_i^{\text{el}}(r_i) + \eta_i) * \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\varsigma} \right) \\
k_{2i} &= \left( f_i^{\text{int}}\left(r_i + \frac{k_{1i}}{2}\right) + f_i^{\text{el}}\left(r_i + \frac{k_{1i}}{2}\right) + \eta_i \right) * \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\varsigma} \right) \\
k_{3i} &= \left( f_i^{\text{int}}\left(r_i + \frac{k_{2i}}{2}\right) + f_i^{\text{el}}\left(r_i + \frac{k_{2i}}{2}\right) + \eta_i \right) * \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\varsigma} \right) \\
k_{4i} &= \left( f_i^{\text{int}}(r_i + k_{3i}) + f_i^{\text{el}}(r_i + k_{3i}) + \eta_i \right) * \left( \frac{\Delta t}{\varsigma} \right) \\
r_i^{\text{next}} &= r_i + \frac{1}{6} (k_{1i} + 2k_{2i} + 2k_{3i} + k_{4i})
\end{aligned}$$

RK4 is used to get an approximation to the next position of the particle.

## V. RESULTS

### Screen Shots

The interface of the system contains four tabs: User's Guide, Input, Numerical Data and Graph.

Figure 11 shows the initial window that will appear when the system is run. It contains basic information on how to navigate the simulation.

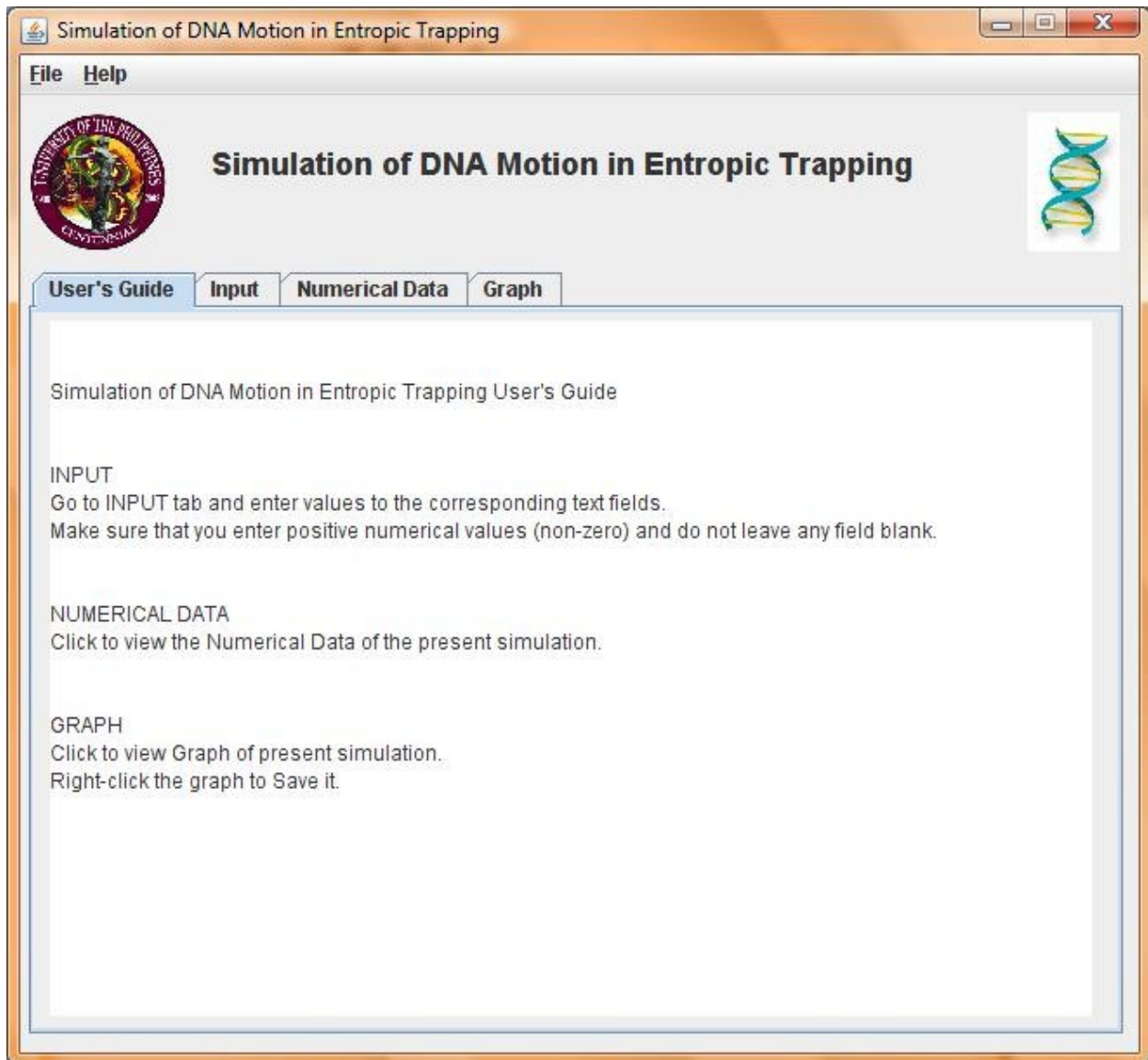


Figure 11. Basic User's Guide

The second tab, Input as shown in Figure 12 allows the user to enter specific data or input values needed for the simulation.

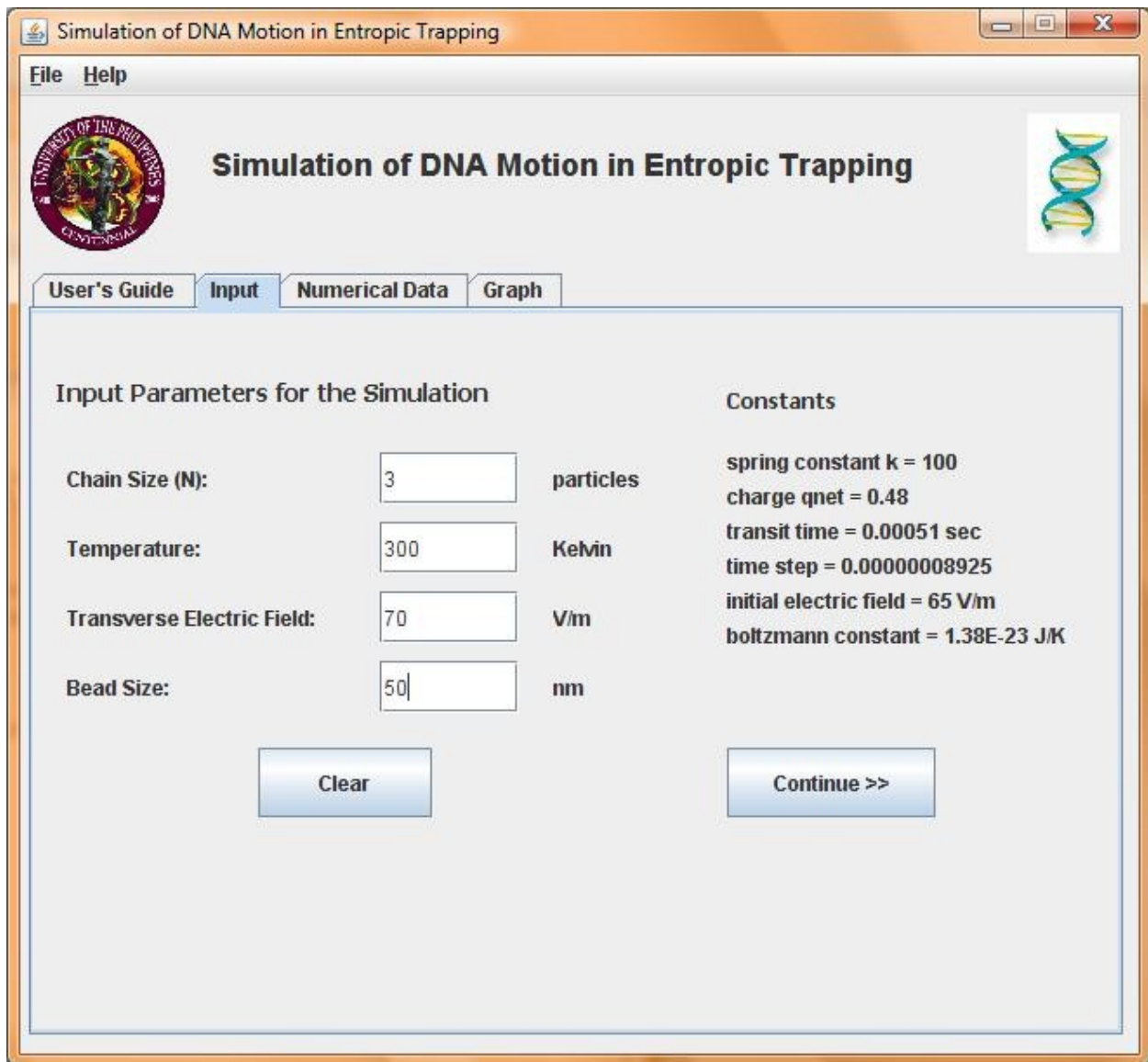


Figure 12. Input Tab

Considering all values inputted are correct and after clicking the Continue Button, a summary of the parameters and constants is displayed to the user as shown in Figure 13.

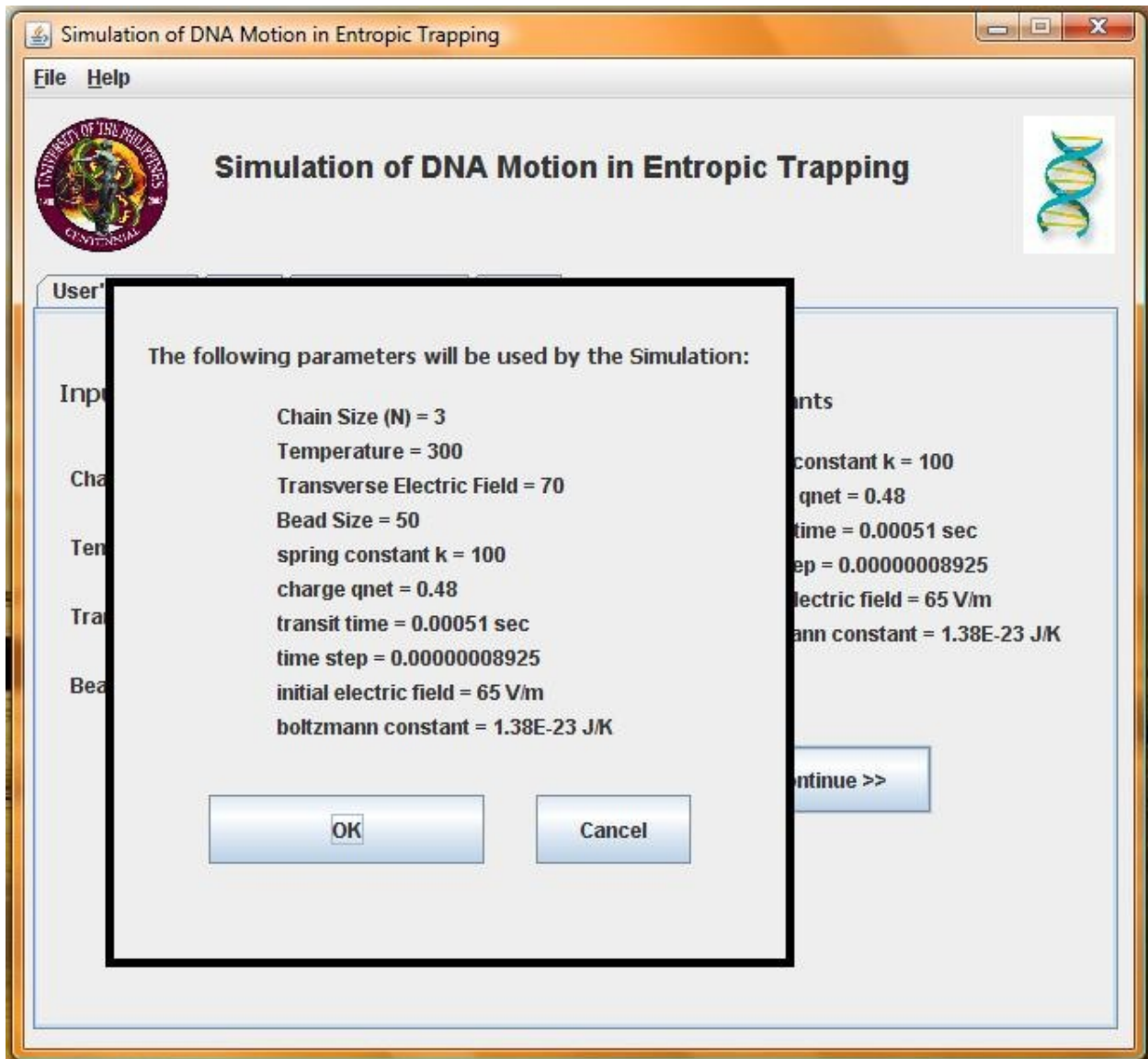


Figure 13. Summary of Parameters and Constants

The OK Button in Figure 13 leads to the Numerical Data tab where a button is found, shown in Figure 14. Clicking the Show Numerical Data Button starts the computations of the simulation and then displays the

numerical data as shown in Figure 15, using the parameters—chain size =3, temperature = 100, electric field = 70 and bead size = 50.

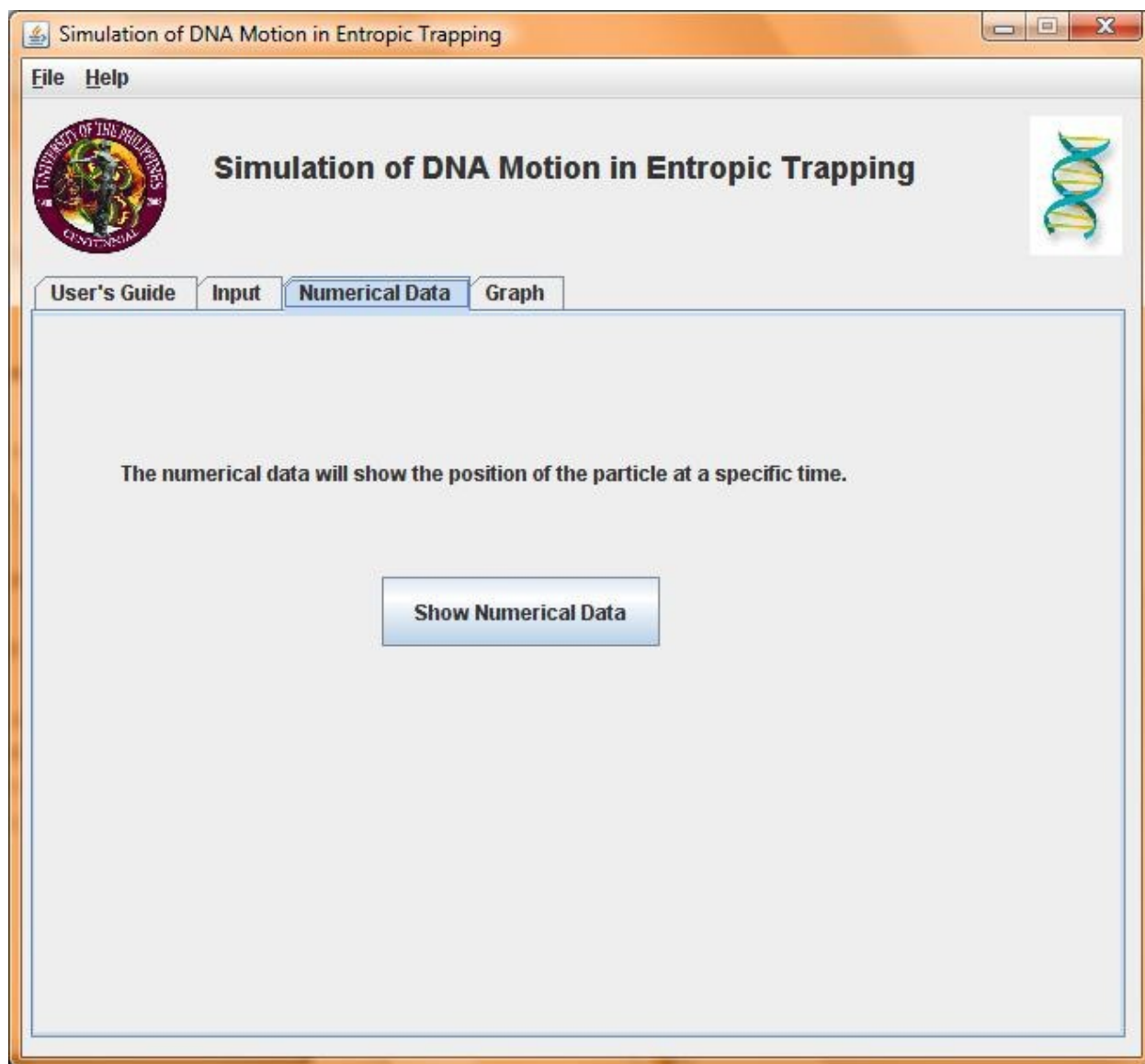


Figure 14. Numerical Data tab



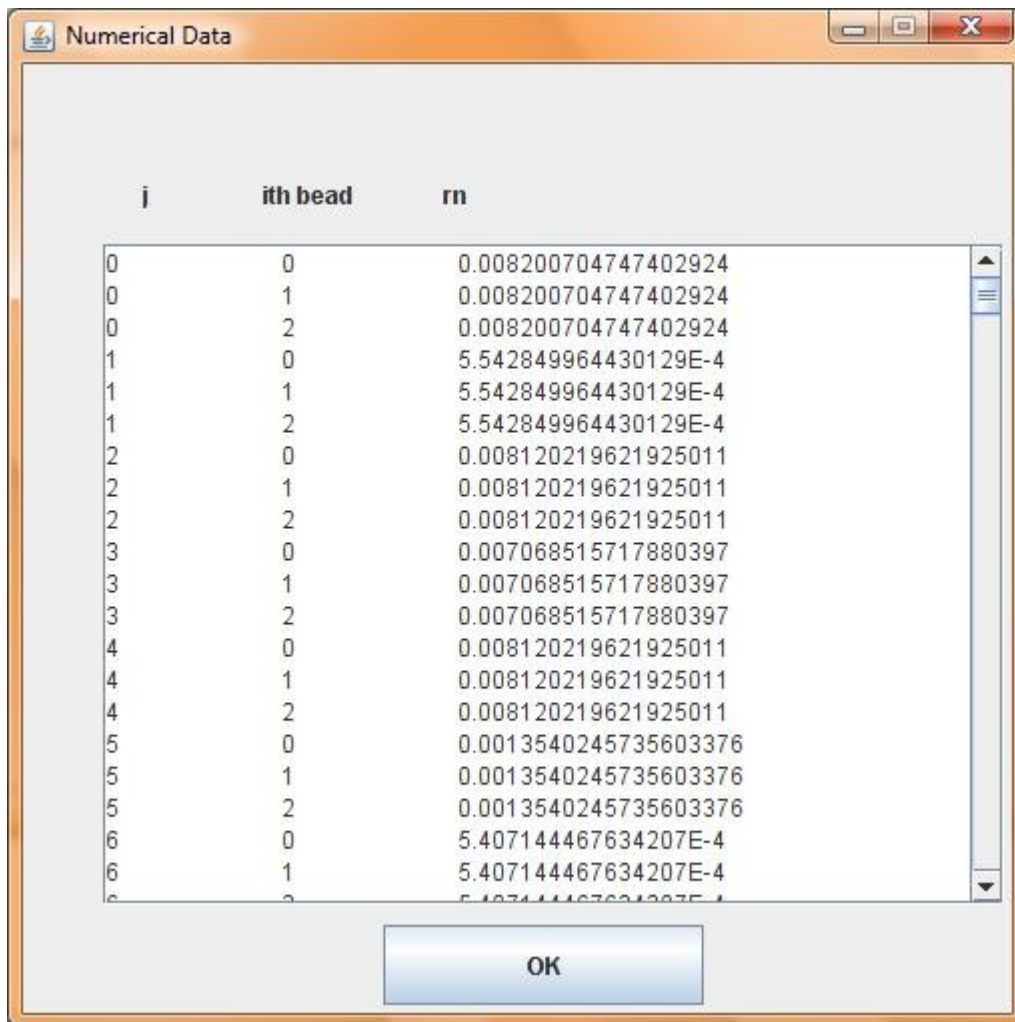


Figure 15. Numerical Data

The Graph tab in Figure 16 contains a button which when clicked displays the graph resulting from the simulation..

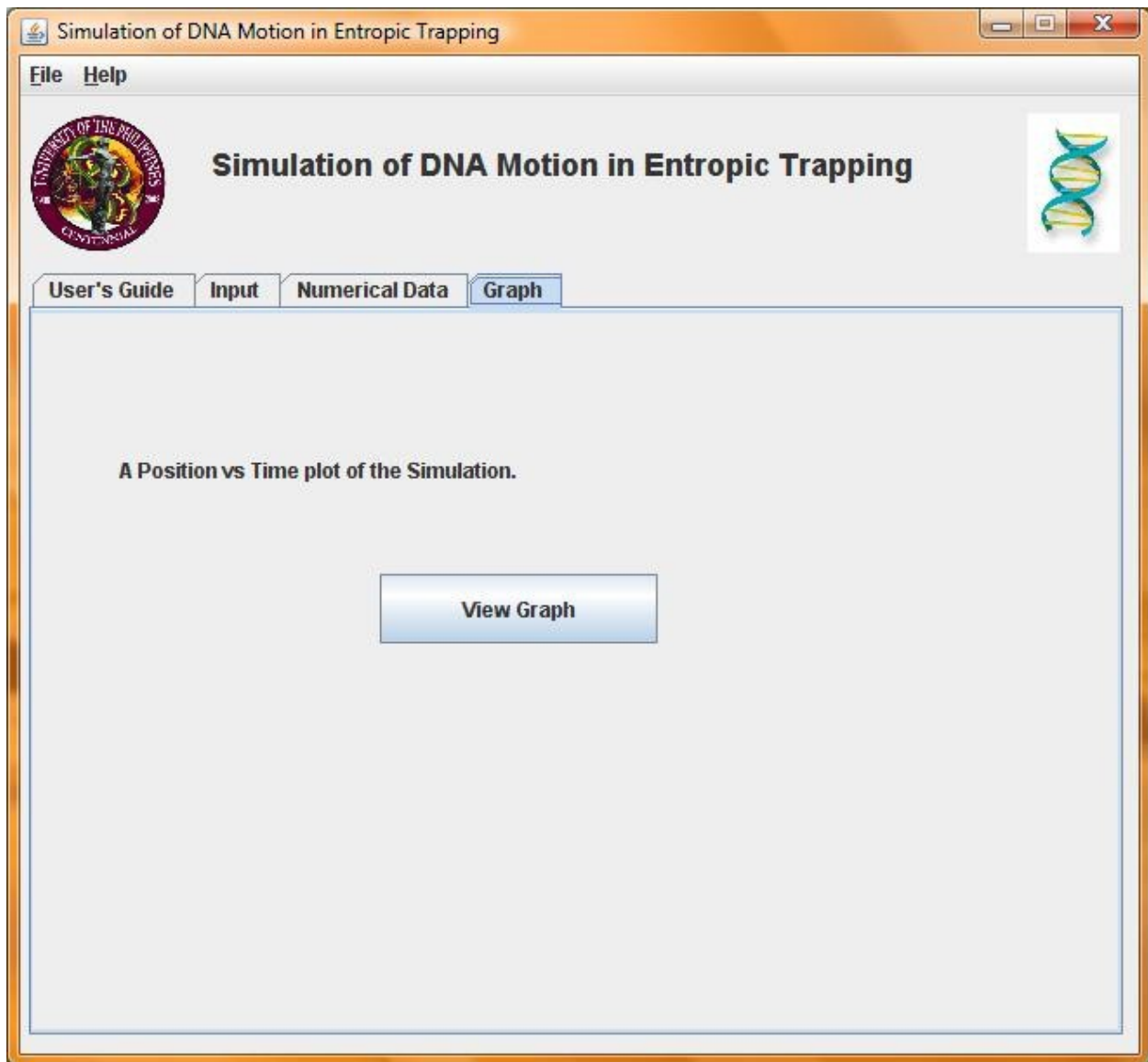


Figure 16. Graph tab

Figure 17 displays the graph when the electric field is 70 V/m. Figure 18 on the other hand displays the graph when the electric field is 50 V/m, and the last, Figure19 displays the graph when the electric field is 100V/cm

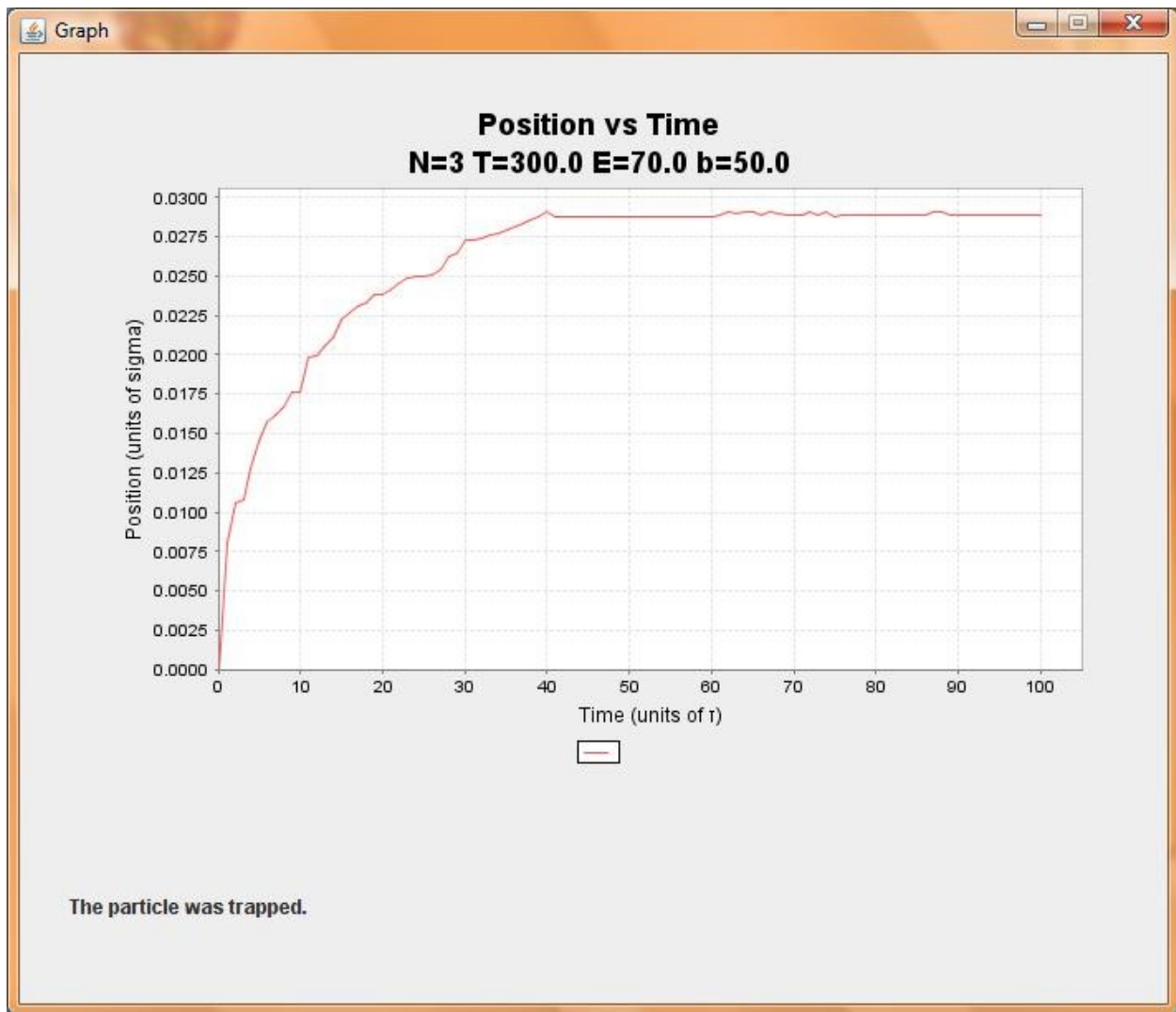


Figure 17. Sample Graphical output,  $E = 70 \text{ V/m}$

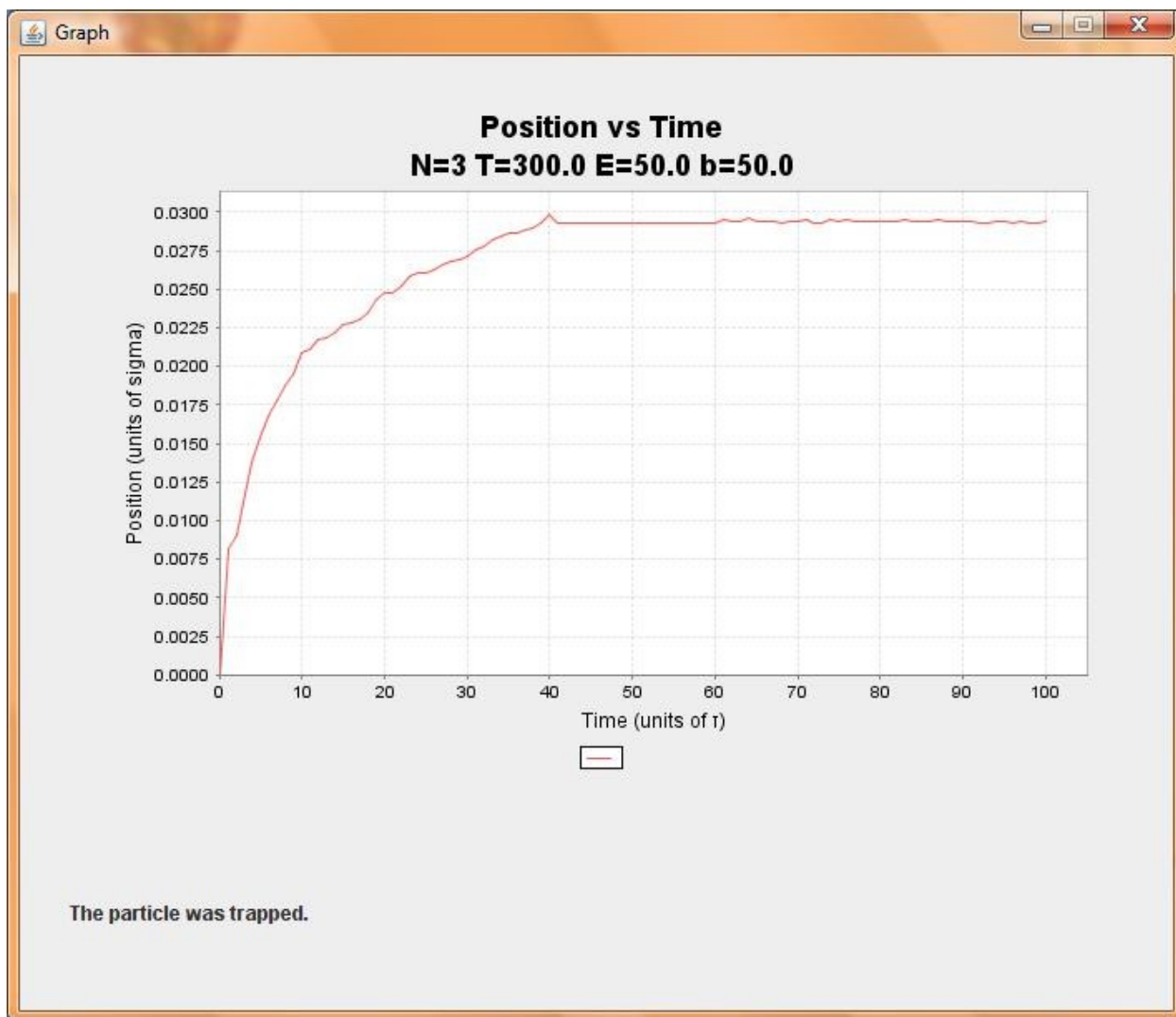


Figure 18. Graph,  $E = 50 \text{ V/cm}$

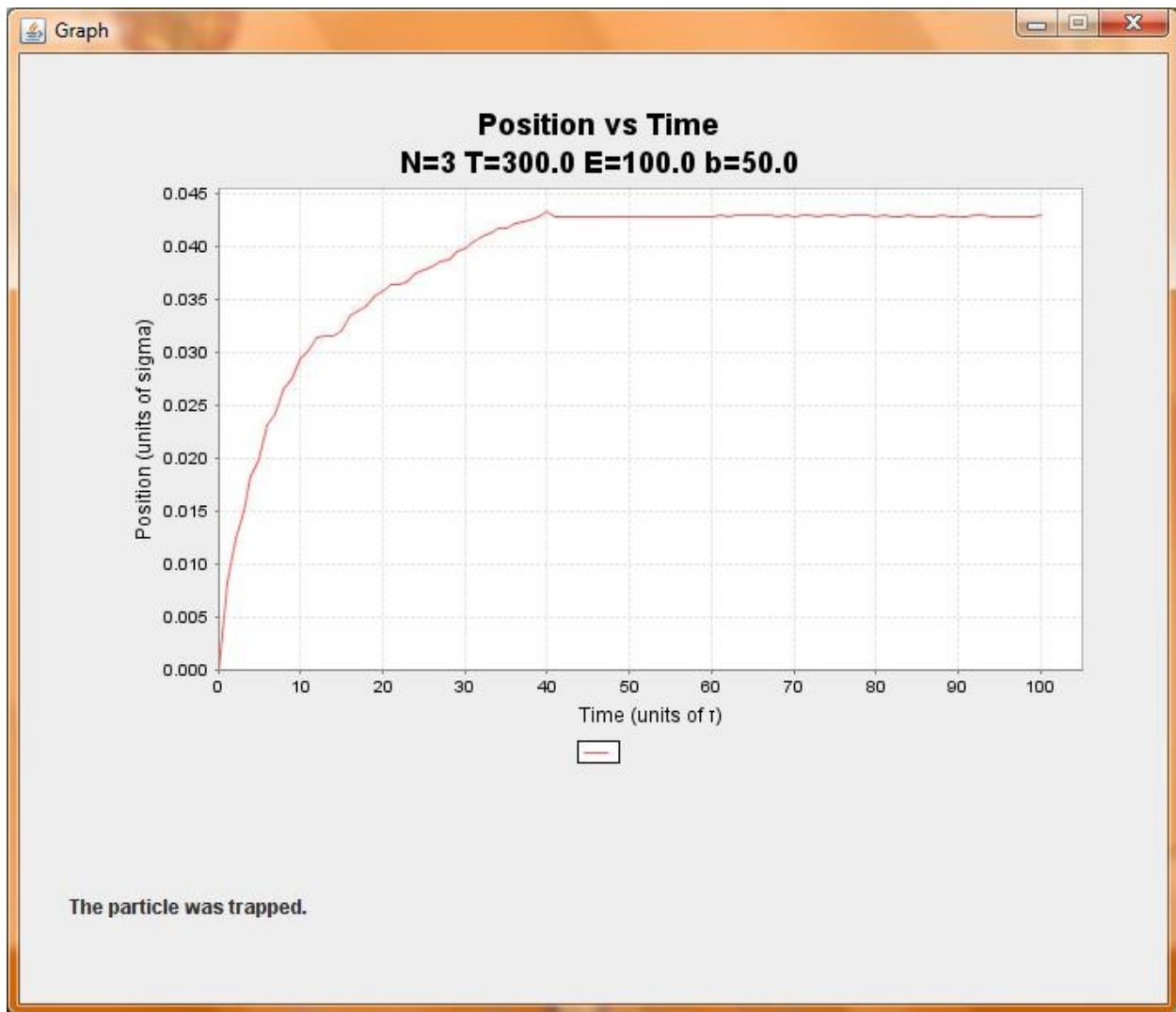


Figure 19. Graph,  $E = 100 \text{ V/m}$

Based from the results, molecules are trapped faster when the electric field is increased. The plots of those with higher electric field have steeper slopes implying faster movement of the molecules, but were also trapped.

Right- clicking the graph gives you the option to save a graph in a particular directory, shown in Figure 20.

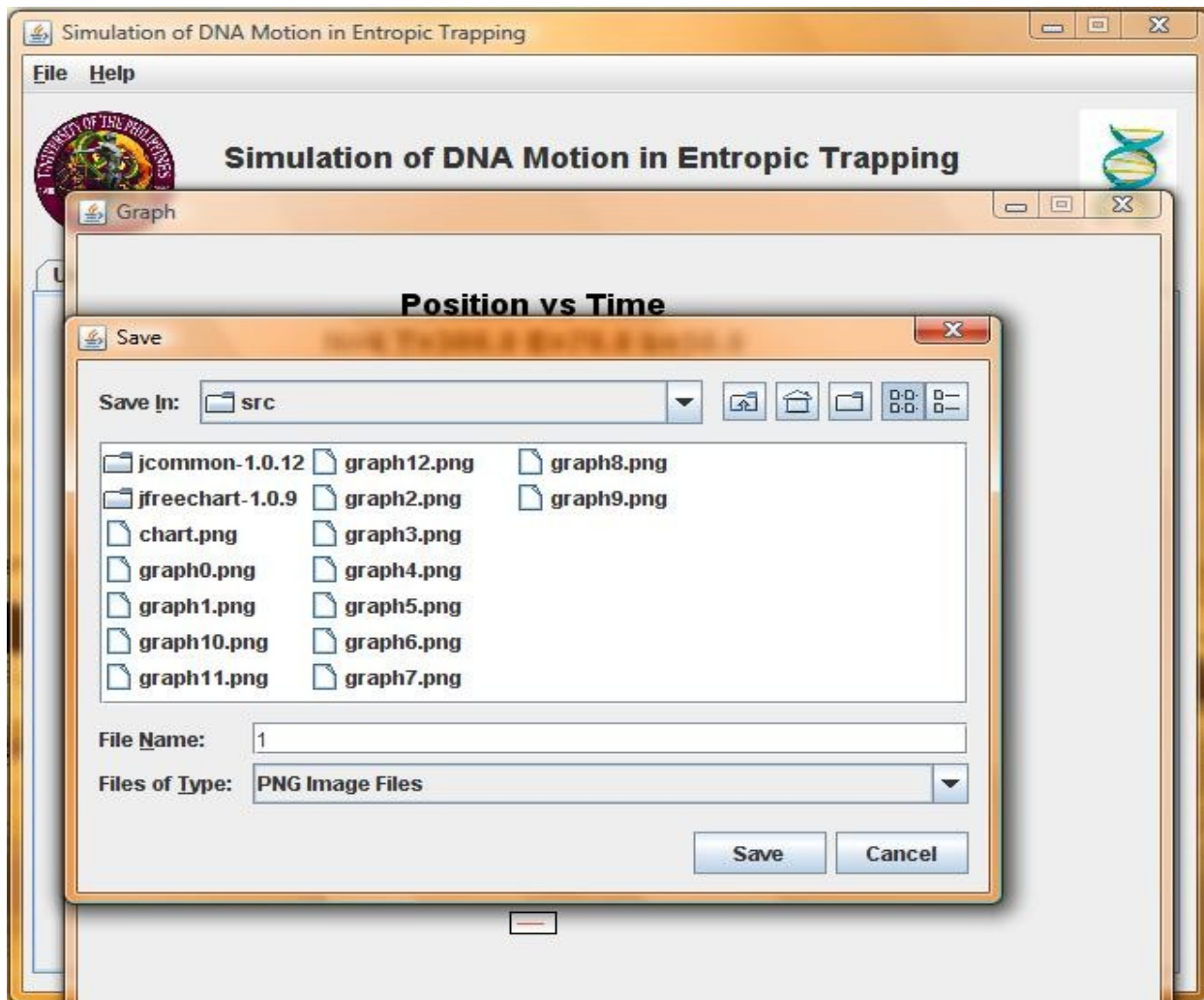


Figure 20. Save Graph

Figures 19 and 20 show the Menu Items under File and Help respectively in the Menu Bar.

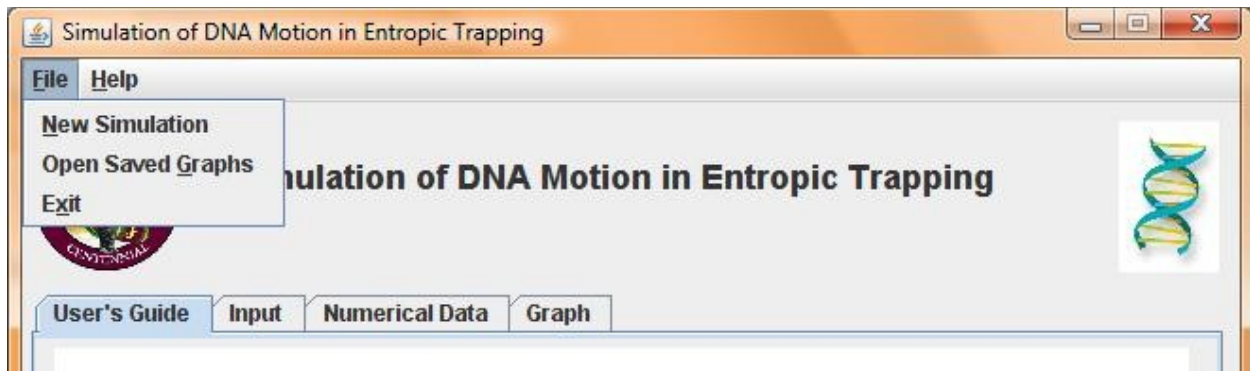


Figure 21. File Menu

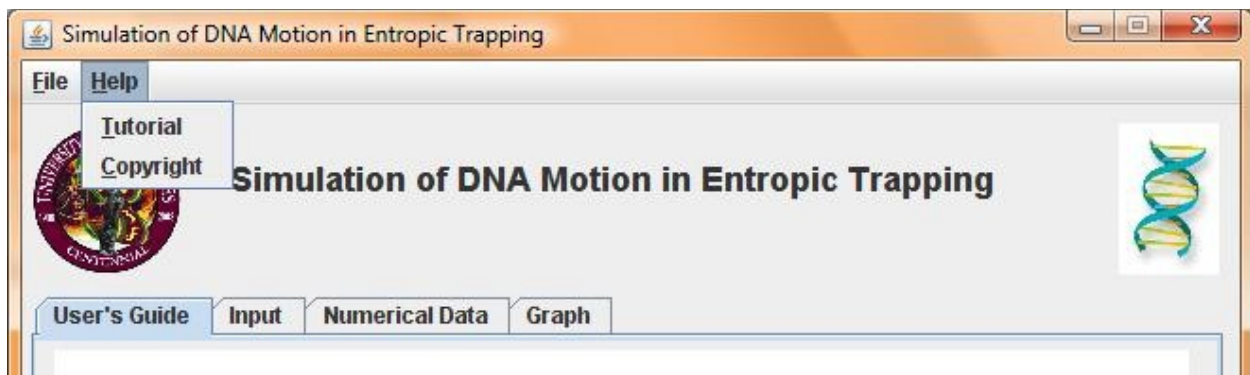


Figure 22. Help Menu

In the File Menu, the user can Open Saved Graphs as shown in Figure 21. The File Chooser allows the user to select and view graphs from previous simulations. The selected file will then be displayed in a separate frame.

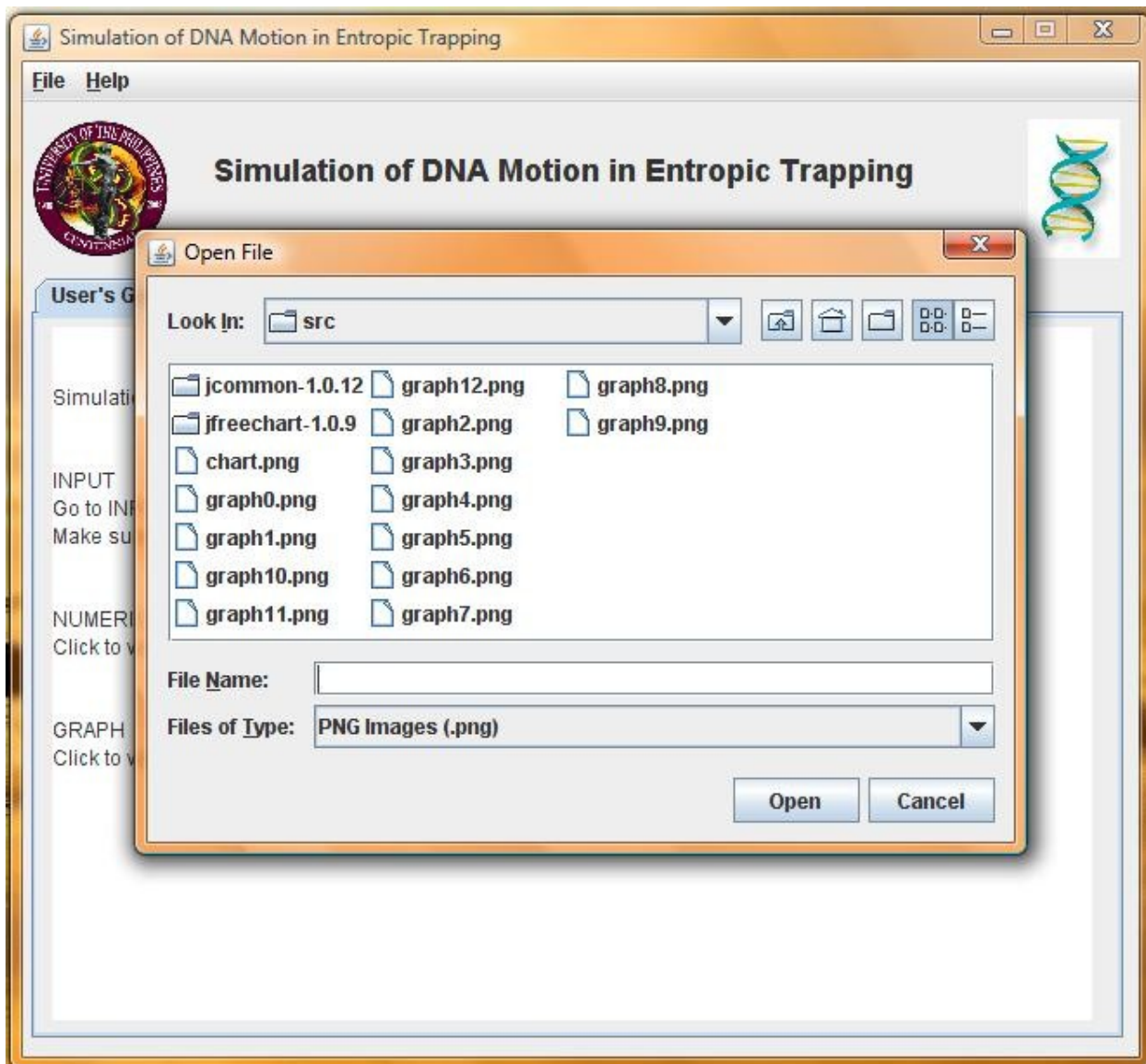


Figure 23. Open Saved Graph

Under the Help Menu, a Simple Tutorial of the Simulation is available as shown in Figure 22. It contains basic information on what each tab in the simulation has and does.



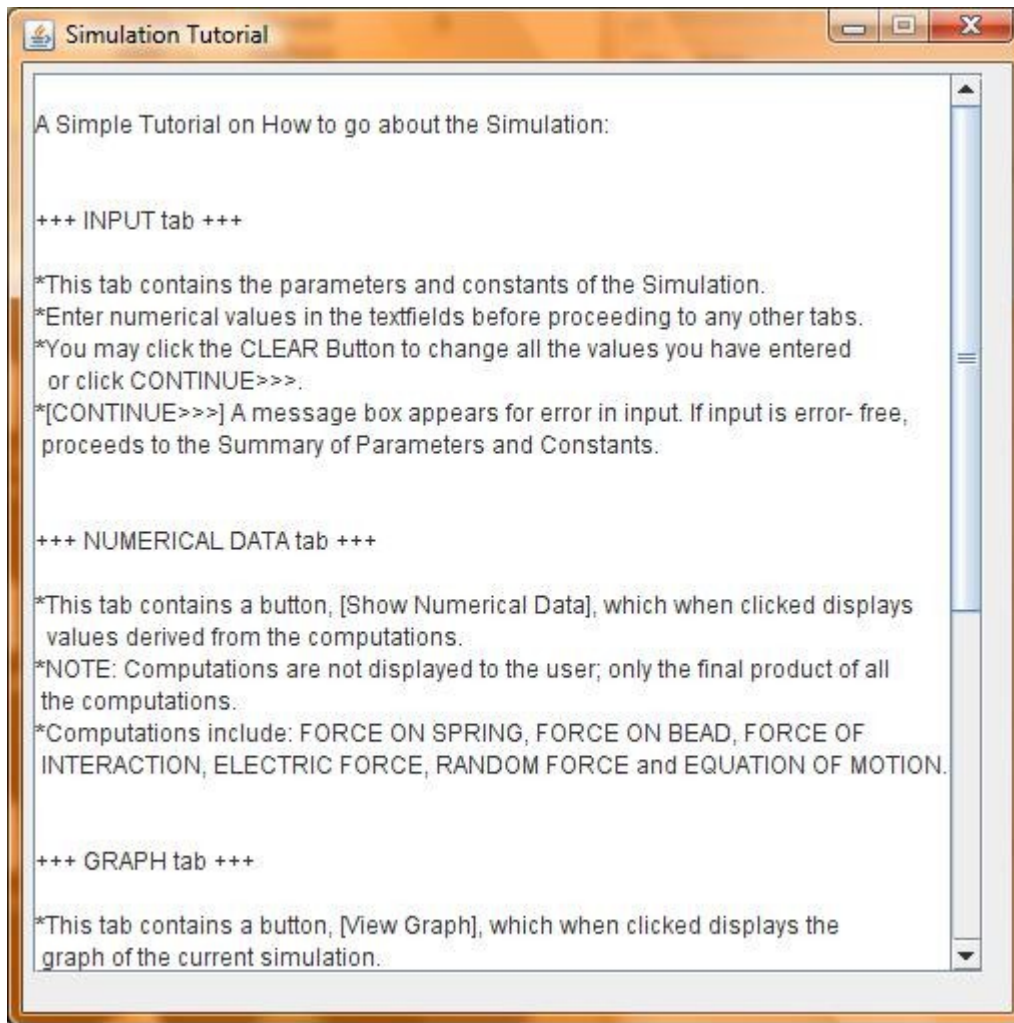


Figure 24. Simple Tutorial

There is also error- checking, so when an action is invalid, a message is prompted to the user, like in Figure 23, to report the incorrect input. Figure 24 displays a message that there is no input yet, so no

numerical data can be displayed. Same as with Figure 25, since there is no input, there is nothing yet to graph. It is advised to input values first in the Input tab before clicking on the other tabs.

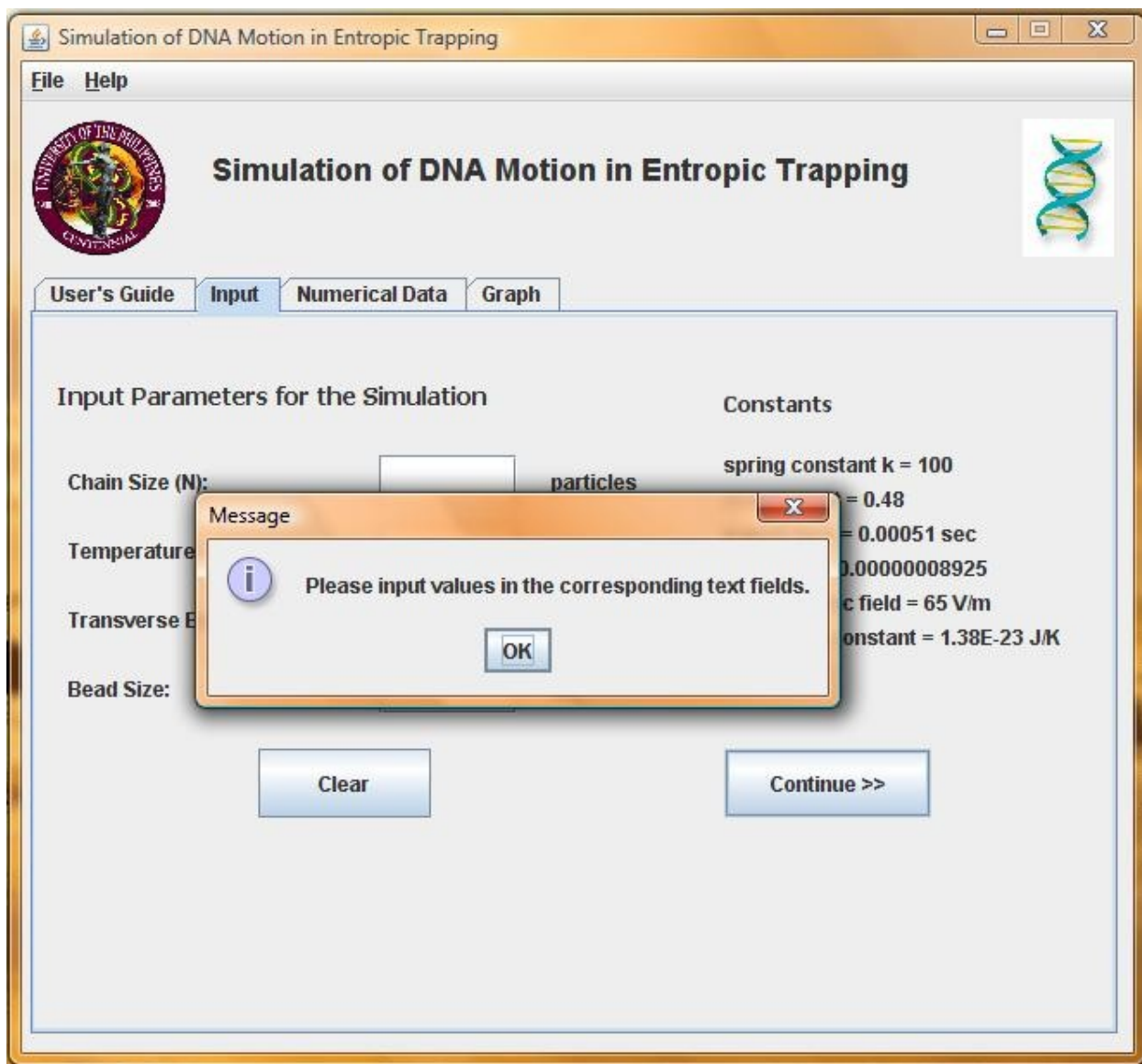


Figure 25. Error Message for input checking

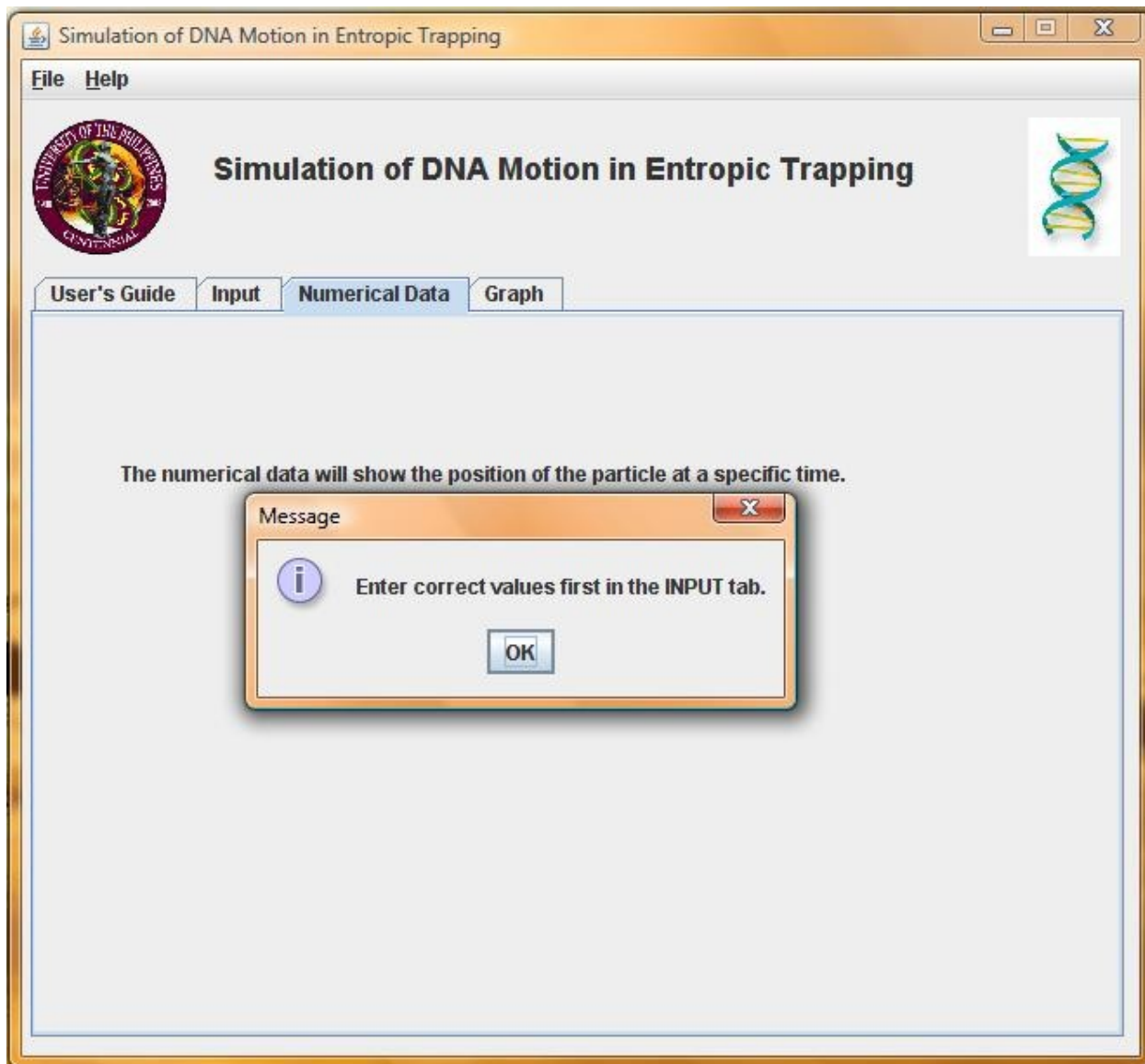


Figure 24. Error message in Numerical Data tab when there is no input yet

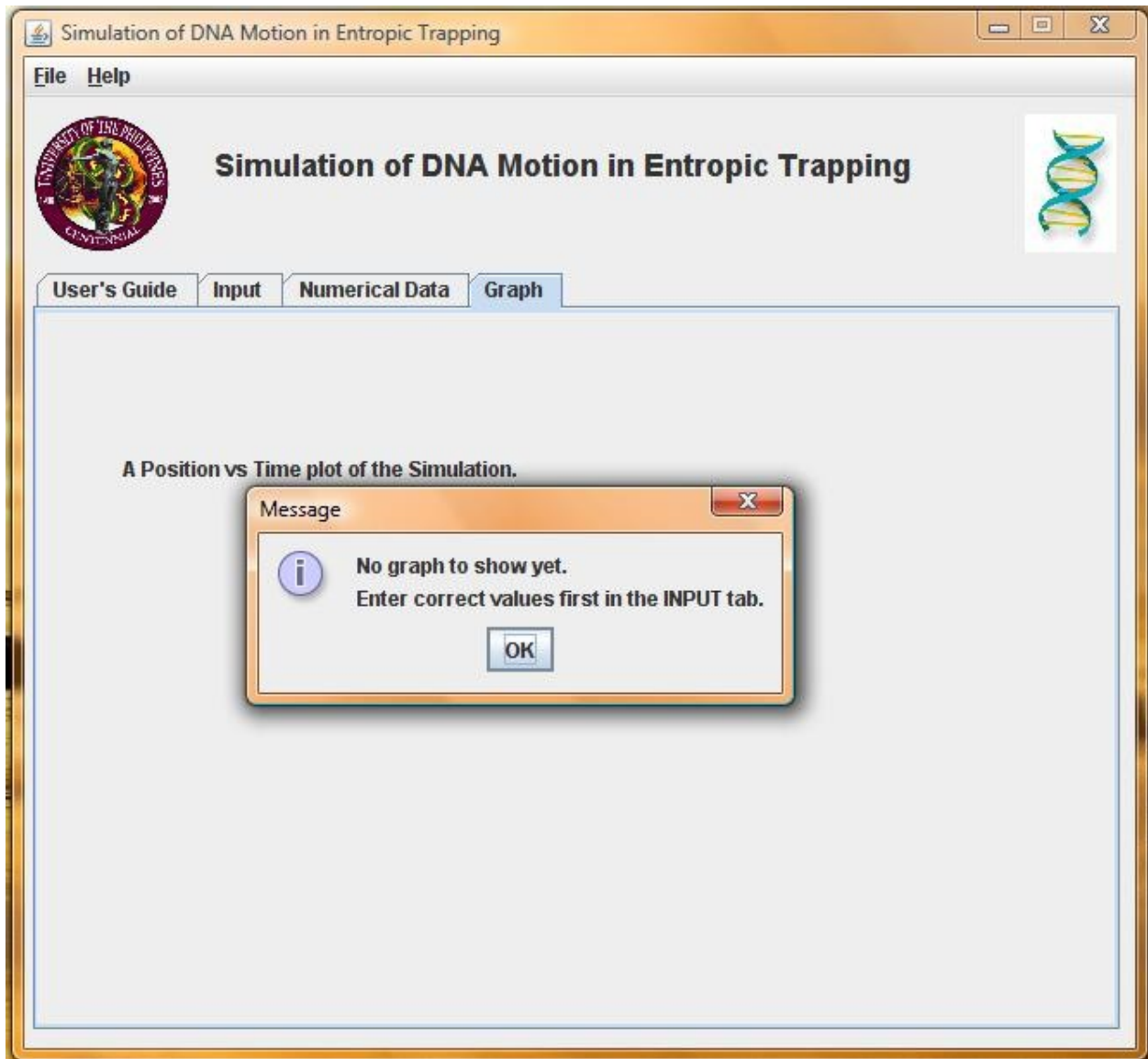


Figure 26 Error message in Graph tab when there is no input yet

## VI. DISCUSSION

The Simulation of DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping is a stand- alone application that computes for the Force of Interaction, Electric Force, Random Force, and the Equation of Motion. It also graphs the results from the computations of the Equation of Motion and allows the user to save these graphs for future references. This application is written using the Java TM Programming Language and uses JFreeChart for graphing purposes.

The user can easily predict the possible position of a particle with this application without actually doing it in the laboratories. In real- life experiments on entropic trapping, you need certain devices like the entropic traps and an electric field source, which may not be always available. Using this application virtually provides the user with devices needed for an experiment. In addition, the user can adjust the values of the electric field and temperature among others allowing the user to obtain various results and a basis for future comparisons.

All the computations are done by the system to provide the user with additional data just in case further analysis is desired. At the end of the computations, a position versus time graph is generated for the user. The graph provides the user with a better picture of what happened in the simulation. It summarizes the results of the computations in a graphical way. The flat lines in the graph indicate that there is no mobility, implying the trapping of the particle, while sloping lines indicate mobility.

The system uses the Fourth Order Runge Kutta Algorithm to integrate the Equation of Motion. This method approximates the next position of the particle within a particular time step. RK4 is an improved version of the Second Order Runge Kutta for it makes use of smaller time steps, giving a better approximation of the next position.

However, the system may take up a lot of resources because of the variety of computations involved. Since there are many computations, a lot of memory has to be allocated to accommodate all the needed functionalities.

Displaying the numerical results takes time due to the number of computations involved. The values entered at the start of the simulation go through the computations for the force of the spring, force of the bead, force of interaction, electric force, random force, then eventually to the integration of the equation of motion. Displaying the graph takes time as well, also due to the computations involved.

The result of the simulation depends on the range of the user's input. Entering very large values may cause problems in the computation especially in the handling of values by the data types. The user must input sensible values which can be applied in real experiments.

Most of the simulations available today are concerned with Gel Electrophoresis. On the other hand, this simulation is concerned with Electrophoresis in an Entropic Trapping environment. This will be useful to better understand other DNA separation techniques since it is an uncommon method.

## **VII. CONCLUSION**

The Computer Simulation of DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping is a standalone application that allows users to enter the parameters needed for the simulation, particularly the temperature, electric field, and bead size.

The simulation performs computations based on the inputs of the user and some constant values. These computations include: Force of Interaction (Force on the Spring and Force on the Bead), Electric Force, Random Force and the integration of the Equation of Motion using the Fourth Order Runge Kutta.

It outputs the results of the simulation particularly the numerical data containing the value of the position of the  $i$ th bead and the graphical data of the position of the  $i$ th bead with respect to time. The graphical data resulting from the simulation is presented in a PNG image file.

## **VIII. RECOMMENDATION**

The Simulation of DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping can be further improved by knowing the range of values that can be entered in the input text fields. This will give the assurance that the simulation results can really happen in real life. It is also recommended that the simulation may accept other chain size values aside from the current chain size of three. By allowing the user to enter different chain sizes, the user can try more combinations of the different parameters and observe for any trends, if possible.

Other Numerical Methods may also be considered in the integration of the Equation of Motion. Any algorithm may be used for the computation but it must be the most accurate and at the same time uses shorter time to implement. The data types used for the simulation may also be altered by finding more applicable data types to handle big numbers other than the Double.

Finally, this simulation may also be improved by adding animation or graphics showing the real-time traversal of the DNA in the channel.

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## **X. APPENDIX**

Source Code

```
/*SP.java*/

import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;
import java.awt.Window;
import java.awt.Component;
import javax.swing.*;
import javax.imageio.*;
import javax.swing.filechooser.*;
import java.util.*;
import java.util.Random.*;
import java.text.*;
import java.io.*;
import java.lang.*;
import java.lang.Math.*;
import java.awt.image.*;
import java.text.DecimalFormat;
import java.util.Hashtable;
import javax.swing.border.*;

import java.awt.BorderLayout;
import java.io.File;
import javax.swing.ImageIcon;

import org.jfree.chart.*;
import org.jfree.chart.plot.PlotOrientation;
```



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        newSimulationItem.setText("New
Simulation");

        newSimulationItem.setMnemonic( 'N' );

        newSimulationItem.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

newSimulationButton_actionPerformed(e);
                }
            }
        );

        fileMenu.add(newSimulationItem);

        openSavedGraphItem.setText("Open
Saved Graphs");

openSavedGraphItem.setMnemonic( 'G' );

        openSavedGraphItem.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

openSavedGraphButton_actionPerformed(e);
                }
            }
        );

        fileMenu.add(openSavedGraphItem);

        exitItem.setText("Exit");
        exitItem.setMnemonic( 'x' );
        exitItem.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

            System.exit( 0 );
                }
            }
        );
        fileMenu.add(exitItem);

        bar.add(fileMenu);

        helpMenu.setText("Help");
        helpMenu.setMnemonic( 'H' );

        tutorialItem.setText("Tutorial");
        tutorialItem.setMnemonic( 'T'
);

        tutorialItem.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

            tutorial();
                }
            }
        );

        helpMenu.add(tutorialItem);

        aboutItem.setText("Copyright");
        aboutItem.setMnemonic( 'C' );
        aboutItem.addActionListener(
            new ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

            about();
                }
            }
        );
        helpMenu.add(aboutItem);

        bar.add(helpMenu);
        setJMenuBar( bar );

        createHomePage();
        createPage1();
        createPage2();
        createPage3();

        tabbedPane = new
JTabbedPane();
        tabbedPane.addTab("User's
Guide", panel0);
        index0 =
tabbedPane.getTabCount()-1;
        tabbedPane.addTab( "Input",
panel1 );
        index1 =
tabbedPane.getTabCount()-1;
        tabbedPane.addTab( "Numerical
Data", panel2 );
        index2 =
tabbedPane.getTabCount()-1;
        tabbedPane.addTab( "Graph",
panel3 );
        index3 =
tabbedPane.getTabCount()-1;

        addComponent(topPanel,
UPlogo, 5, 0, 100, 100);
        addComponent(topPanel,
titleLabel, 110, 30, 450, 20);
        addComponent(topPanel,
DNAlogo, 580, 0, 80, 100);
        addComponent(topPanel,
tabbedPane, 5, 100, 630,440);

        this.setTitle("Simulation of
DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping");
        this.setLocation(new
Point(350, 50));
        this.setSize(new
Dimension(650, 600));

        this.setDefaultCloseOperation(WindowConstant
s.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
        this.setResizable(false);

    } //end of initializeComponent

    /** Add Component - Absolute
Positioning */
    private void addComponent(Container
container,Component c,int x,int y,int
width,int height) {

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        c.setBounds(x,y,width,height);
        container.add(c);
    }

    /*Event Handling Methods*/

    private void
chainSizeTextField_actionPerformed(ActionEvent
nt e) {

    }

    private void
temperatureTextField_actionPerformed(ActionEvent
vent e) {

    }

    private void
electricFieldTextField_actionPerformed(Actio
nEvent e) {

    }

    private void
beadSizeTextField_actionPerformed(ActionEven
t e) {

    }

    private void
openSavedGraphButton_actionPerformed(ActionE
vent e) {

        boolean status = false;
        status = openFile ();
        if (!status){

            JOptionPane.showMessageDialog (null,
"Error opening file!", "File Open Error",
JOptionPane.ERROR_MESSAGE);
        }

        boolean openFile(){

            JFileChooser chooser = new
JFileChooser();
            chooser.setDialogTitle("Open
File");

            chooser.setSelectionMode(JFileChooser.FI
LES_ONLY);

            chooser.setCurrentDirectory(new
File("."));

            ExampleFileFilter filter =
new ExampleFileFilter();
            filter.addExtension("png");
            filter.setDescription("PNG
Images");

            chooser.setFileFilter(filter);

            int returnVal =
chooser.showOpenDialog(this);
            if(returnVal ==
JFileChooser.APPROVE_OPTION) {

                fFile =
chooser.getSelectedFile ();

                Image image = null;
                try {
                    File file =
new File(fFile.getName());
                    image =
ImageIO.read(file);
                } catch (IOException
ioe) {}

                JFrame graphframe =
new JFrame();
                JLabel imglabel = new
JLabel(new ImageIcon(image));

                graphframe.getContentPane().add(imglabel,
BorderLayout.CENTER);
                graphframe.pack();

                graphframe.setVisible(true);
            }

            else if (returnVal ==
JFileChooser.CANCEL_OPTION) {
                return true;
            }

            else {
                return false;
            }

            return true;
        } // openFile

        private void
continueButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent
e) {

            summary();

        }

        private void
clearButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

            chainSizeTextField.setText("3");
            temperatureTextField.setText("");
            electricFieldTextField.setText("");
            beadSizeTextField.setText("");
        }

        private void
backButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

            back();

        }

        private void
runButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

            w.setVisible(false);
            setEnabled(true);
            tabbedPane.setEnabledAt(2,
true);

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        try{
            tabbedPane.setSelectedComponent(panel2);
            tabbedPane.setEnabledAt(2, true);
            createPage2();
        }catch(IllegalArgumentException iae){
        }
        private void
        exitButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
            System.exit(0);
        }
        void back(){
            w.setVisible(false);
            this.setVisible(true);
            setEnabled(true);
        }
        private void
        viewGraphButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent
        e) {
            frame3.setVisible(false);
            try{
                tabbedPane.setSelectedComponent(panel3);
                createPage3();
            }catch(IllegalArgumentException
            Exception iae){
            }
            /** Use a BufferedReader wrapped around a
            FileReader to read
            * the text data from the given file.
            */
            public String readFile (File file) {
                StringBuffer fileBuffer;
                String fileString=null;
                String line;
                try {
                    FileReader in = new
                    FileReader (file);
                    BufferedReader dis =
                    new BufferedReader (in);
                    StringBuffer () ;
                    fileBuffer = new
                    StringBuffer ();
                    while ((line =
                    dis.readLine ()) != null) {
                        fileBuffer.append (line + "\n");
                    }
                    in.close ();
                    fileString =
                    fileBuffer.toString ();
                }catch (IOException e ) {
                    return null;
                }
                return fileString;
            } // readFile
            /**
            * Use a PrintWriter wrapped around a
            BufferedWriter, which in turn
            * is wrapped around a FileWriter, to
            write the string data to the
            * given file.
            */
            public static boolean writeFile (File
            file, String dataString) {
                try {
                    PrintWriter out = new
                    PrintWriter (new
                    BufferedWriter (new
                    FileWriter (file)));
                    out.print (dataString);
                    out.flush ();
                    out.close ();
                }catch (IOException e) {
                    return false;
                }
                return true;
            } // writeFile
            private void
            newSimulationButton_actionPerformed(ActionEvent
            e) {
                try{
                    this.setVisible(false);
                    new SP().show();
                    frame4.setVisible(false);
                }catch(NullPointerException
                npe){
                }
                private void about() {
                    JOptionPane.showMessageDialog(null,"Simulati
                    on of DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping \n
                    Created by Ruth E. Gorospe \n 2004-01812 \n
                    BS Computer Science \n University of the
                    Philippines Manila \n (2008)");
                }
                private void tutorial(){
                    JFrame tutorialFrame = new
                    JFrame ();
                    tutorialFrame.getContentPane().setLayout(nul
                    l);
                    JTextArea tutorialTextArea =
                    new JTextArea();
                    tutorialTextArea.setText("\nA
                    Simple Tutorial on How to go about the
                    Simulation:\n\n\n"
                    + "+++ INPUT tab +++\n\n"
                    + "*This tab contains the

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parameters and constants of the
Simulation.\n"

        + "*Enter numerical values in
the textfields before proceeding to any
other tabs.\n"

        + "*You may click the CLEAR
Button to change all the values you have
entered\n"

        + " or click CONTINUE>>>.\n"

        + "*[CONTINUE>>>] A message
box appears for error in input. If input is
error- free,\n"

        + " proceeds to the Summary
of Parameters and Constants.\n\n"

+ \n\n"

        + "+++ NUMERICAL DATA tab ++
+ \n\n"

        + "*This tab contains a
button, [Show Numerical Data], which when
clicked displays\n"

        + " values derived from the
computations.\n"

        + "*NOTE: Computations are
not displayed to the user; only the final
product of all\n"

        + " the computations.\n"

        + "*Computations include:
FORCE ON SPRING, FORCE ON BEAD, FORCE OF\n"

        + " INTERACTION, ELECTRIC
FORCE, RANDOM FORCE and EQUATION OF
MOTION.\n\n\n"

        + "+++ GRAPH tab +++\n\n"

        + "*This tab contains a
button, [View Graph], which when clicked
displays the\n"

        + " graph of the current
simulation.\n"

        + "*Position (y) vs Time (x)
Graph : Position of the particle at a
particular time.\n\n"

        + "*NOTE: A flat line in the
plot represents trapping of particle,\n"

        + " while a sloping line in
the plot represents movement in the
particle.\n\n\n"

+ \n\n"

        + "+++ Saving of Graphs ++
+ \n\n"

        + "*Right click the graph ->
Save As... -> Choose where to save file ->
Save\n\n\n"

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+ \n\n"

        + "+++ Open Saved Graphs ++
+ \n\n"

        + "*Menu -> File -> Open
Saved Graphs -> Choose File to View ->
Open\n\n\n"

        + "You are now ready to use
the simulation! Try different
combinations/values for\n"

        + " temperature,
electricfield,... and observe their effects
on the DNA's motion.");

        tutorialTextArea.setEditable(false);

        tutorialTextArea.setCaretPosition(0);

        JScrollPane
tutorialScrollPane = new JScrollPane();

        tutorialScrollPane.setViewportView(tutorialT
extArea);

        addComponent(tutorialFrame,tutorialScrollPan
e , 5, 5, 475, 450);

        tutorialFrame.setTitle("Simulation
Tutorial");

        tutorialFrame.setLocation(new
Point(50, 60));

        tutorialFrame.setSize(new
Dimension(500, 500));

        tutorialFrame.setResizable(false);

        tutorialFrame.setVisible(true);
    }

    public void createHomePage(){
        panel0 = new JPanel();
        panel0.setLayout(null);

        JTextArea homeTextArea = new
JTextArea();

        homeTextArea.setText("\n\nSimulation
of DNA Motion in Entropic Trapping User's
Guide\n\n\nINPUT\nGo to INPUT tab and enter
values to the corresponding text
fields.\nMake sure that you enter positive
numerical values (non-zero) and do not leave
any field blank.\n\n\nNUMERICAL DATA\nClick
to view the Numerical Data of the present
simulation.\n\n\nGRAPH\nClick to view Graph
of present simulation.\nRight-click the
graph to Save it.");

        homeTextArea.setEditable(false);
        addComponent(panel0,
homeTextArea, 10, 5, 600, 400);

    }

    public void createPage1(){
        panel1 = new JPanel();
        panel1.setLayout( null );

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        inputParametersLabel = new
JLabel("Input Parameters for the
Simulation");

        inputParametersLabel.setFont(new
Font("Tahoma", Font.BOLD, 14));

        chainSizeLabel = new
JLabel();
        chainSizeLabel.setText("Chain
Size (N):");
        particlesLabel = new
JLabel("particles");

        temperatureLabel = new
JLabel();

temperatureLabel.setText("Temperature:");
        temperatureUnitLabel = new
JLabel("Kelvin");

        electricFieldLabel = new
JLabel();

electricFieldLabel.setText("Transverse
Electric Field:");
        electricFieldUnitLabel = new
JLabel("V/m");

        beadSizeLabel = new JLabel();
        beadSizeLabel.setText("Bead
Size:");
        beadSizeUnitLabel = new
JLabel("nm");

        chainSizeTextField = new
JTextField("3");

chainSizeTextField.setEditable(false);
        temperatureTextField = new
JTextField();
        electricFieldTextField = new
JTextField();
        beadSizeTextField = new
JTextField();

        constantsLabel = new
JLabel("Constants");
        constantsLabel.setFont(new
Font("Tahoma", Font.BOLD, 12));

        springConstantLabel = new
JLabel("spring constant k = 100");
        chargeLabel = new
JLabel("charge qnet = 0.48");
        transitTimeLabel = new
JLabel("transit time = 0.00051 sec");
        timeStepLabel = new
JLabel("time step = 0.00000008925");
        initialElectricFieldLabel =
new JLabel("initial electric field = 65
V/m");
        boltzmannLabel = new
JLabel("boltzmann constant = 1.38E-23 J/K");

        continueButton = new
JButton();

        continueButton.addActionListener(handler);
        clearButton = new JButton();

        clearButton.addActionListener(handler);

        chainSizeTextField.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                chainSizeTextField_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });

        temperatureTextField.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                temperatureTextField_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });

        electricFieldTextField.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                electricFieldTextField_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });

        beadSizeTextField.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                beadSizeTextField_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });

        continueButton.setText("Continue
>>");

        continueButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                try{
                    chainSize =

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Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getText());

    temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getText());

    electricField =
Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.getText());

    beadSize =
Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getText());
} catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {

}

if(temperatureTextField.getText().equals("")){

    try{

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the
        temperature text field.");

        temperatureTextField.requestFocus();

    }catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the
        temperature text field." );

        temperatureTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else
if(electricFieldTextField.getText().equals("
")){

    try{

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the
        electric field text field.");

        electricFieldTextField.requestFocus();

    }catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the
        electric field text field." );

        electricFieldTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else
if(beadSizeTextField.getText().equals("")){

    try{

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the bead
        size text field.");

        beadSizeTextField.requestFocus();

    }catch (NumberFormatException nfe) {

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Please input a numerical value in the bead
        size text field." );

        beadSizeTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else
if(temperature == 0){

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Temperature must not be a nonzero positive
        number." );

        temperatureTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else
if(electricField == 0){

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Electric field must not be a nonzero
        positive number." );

        electricFieldTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else
if(beadSize == 0){

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "Bead size must not be a nonzero positive
        number." );

        beadSizeTextField.requestFocus();

    }

    else{

        continueButton_actionPerformed(e);

    }

});
}

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clearButton.setText("Clear");

clearButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
    public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

        clearButton_actionPerformed(e);
    }

});

addComponent(panel1,
inputParametersLabel, 13,20,250,50);
addComponent(panel1,
chainSizeLabel, 20,80,180,30);
addComponent(panel1,
chainSizeTextField, 200,80,80,30);
addComponent(panel1,
particlesLabel, 300, 80, 120, 30);
addComponent(panel1,
temperatureLabel, 20,120,180,30);
addComponent(panel1,
temperatureTextField, 200,120,80,30);
addComponent(panel1,
temperatureUnitLabel, 300, 120, 120, 30);
addComponent(panel1,
electricFieldLabel, 20,160,180,30);
addComponent(panel1,
electricFieldTextField, 200,160,80,30);
addComponent(panel1,
electricFieldUnitLabel, 300, 160, 120, 30);
addComponent(panel1,
beadSizeLabel, 20,200,180,30);
addComponent(panel1,
beadSizeTextField, 200,200,80,30);
addComponent(panel1,
beadSizeUnitLabel, 300, 200, 120, 30);

addComponent(panel1,
constantsLabel, 400,25,200,50);
addComponent(panel1,
springConstantLabel, 400,75,200,20);
addComponent(panel1,
chargeLabel, 400,95,200,20);
addComponent(panel1,
transitTimeLabel, 400,115,200,20);
addComponent(panel1,
timeStepLabel, 400,135,200,20);
addComponent(panel1,
initialElectricFieldLabel, 400,155,200,20);
addComponent(panel1,
boltzmannLabel, 400,175,200,20);

addComponent(panel1,
clearButton, 130,250,100,40);
addComponent(panel1,
continueButton, 400,250,120,40);
}

public void createPage2(){
    try{

        panel2 = new JPanel();

        panel2.setLayout(null);

        JLabel page2Label =
new JLabel("The numerical data will show the

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position of the particle at a specific
time.");

        showNumericalDataButton = new
JButton();

showNumericalDataButton.addActionListener(ha
ndler);

        showNumericalDataButton.setText("Show
Numerical Data");

showNumericalDataButton.addActionListener(ne
w ActionListener() {
    public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

        compute();
    }

});

addComponent(panel2,
page2Label, 50, 80, 450, 20);
addComponent(panel2,
showNumericalDataButton, 200,150,160,40);

    }catch(NumberFormatException
nfe){

    }catch(NullPointerException
npe){}

}

public void createPage3(){
    panel3 = new JPanel();
    panel3.setLayout(null);

    JLabel page3Label = new
JLabel("A Position vs Time plot of the
Simulation.");
    JButton viewGraphButton = new
JButton("View Graph");

    viewGraphButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
    public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

        showGraph(chainSize);
    }

});

addComponent(panel3,
page3Label, 50, 80, 450, 20);
addComponent(panel3,
viewGraphButton, 200,150,160,40);

}

private void summary(){

    w = new JWindow(this);
    JPanel pan = new JPanel();

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        pan.setBorder(new
LineBorder(Color.black, 5));

        w.getContentPane().add(pan, "Center");
        pan.setLayout(null);
        w.addWindowListener(
            new WindowAdapter() {
                public void
windowClosed(WindowEvent we) {
remove listener
//

we.getWindow().removeWindowListener(this);
//

enable outer YourFrame instance

        setEnabled(true);
    }
    });

        JLabel paramSummaryLabel =
new JLabel("The following parameters will be
used by the Simulation:");
        paramSummaryLabel.setFont(new
Font("Tahoma", Font.BOLD, 12));

        JLabel chainSizeValueLabel =
new JLabel("Chain Size (N) = " +
chainSizeTextField.getText());
        JLabel temperatureValueLabel
= new JLabel("Temperature = " +
temperatureTextField.getText());
        JLabel
electricFieldValueLabel = new
JLabel("Transverse Electric Field = " +
electricFieldTextField.getText());
        JLabel beadSizeValueLabel =
new JLabel("Bead Size = " +
beadSizeTextField.getText());
        JLabel springConstantLabel = new
JLabel("spring constant k = 100");
        JLabel chargeLabel = new
JLabel("charge qnet = 0.48");
        JLabel transitTimeLabel = new
JLabel("transit time = 0.00051 sec");
        JLabel timeStepLabel = new
JLabel("time step = 0.0000008925");
        JLabel initialElectricFieldLabel =
new JLabel("initial electric field = 65
V/m");
        JLabel boltzmannLabel = new
JLabel("boltzmann constant = 1.38E-23 J/K");

        chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextFie
ld.getText());
        temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextFie
ld.getText());
        electricField =
Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextFie
ld.getText());
        beadSize =
Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextFie
ld.getText());

        Values = new ArrayList();
        hashtable = new Hashtable();

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        hashtable.put("Chain Size
(N)", new Double(chainSize));
        Values.add(new
Double(chainSize));
        hashtable.put("Temperature",
new Double(temperature));
        Values.add(new
Double(temperature));
        hashtable.put("Transverse
Electric Field", new Double(electricField));
        Values.add(new
Double(electricField));
        hashtable.put("Bead Size",
new Double(beadSize));
        Values.add(new
Double(beadSize));

        PrintStream MyOutput = null;
        try {
            MyOutput = new
PrintStream(new
FileOutputStream("params.txt"));
        } catch (IOException e) {
            System.out.println("params");
        }

        if (MyOutput != null) {
            for (int i=0;
i<=Values.size()-1; i++) {
                Double val =
((Double)(Values.get(i)));
                MyOutput.println(val);
            }
            MyOutput.close();
        } else {
            System.out.println("No
output file written");
        }

        JButton backButton = new
JButton("Cancel");

        backButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                backButton_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });

        JButton runButton = new
JButton("OK");

        runButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
            public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
                runButton_actionPerformed(e);
            }
        });
    });

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        addComponent(pan,
paramSummaryLabel, 25,30,350,30);
        addComponent(pan,
chainSizeValueLabel, 100, 70, 200, 20);
        addComponent(pan,
temperatureValueLabel, 100, 90, 200, 20);
        addComponent(pan,
electricFieldValueLabel, 100, 110, 200, 20);
        addComponent(pan,
beadSizeValueLabel, 100, 130, 200, 20);
        addComponent(pan,
springConstantLabel, 100,150,200,20);
        addComponent(pan,
chargeLabel, 100,170,200,20);
        addComponent(pan,
transitTimeLabel, 100,190,200,20);
        addComponent(pan,
timeStepLabel, 100,210,200,20);
        addComponent(pan,
initialElectricFieldLabel, 100,230,200,20);
        addComponent(pan,
boltzmannLabel, 100,250,200,20);

        addComponent(pan, runButton,
60,300,160,40);
        addComponent(pan, backButton,
250,300,90,40);

        setEnabled(false);
        w.setLocation(new Point(400,
200));
        w.setSize(new Dimension(400,
400));

        w.setVisible(true);

    }//end of summary

    private void compute(){
        try{

            chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
            temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getT
ext());
            electricField =
Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.ge
tText());
            beadSize =
Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getText
());

            if(( chainSize < 2 )
|| (chainSizeTextField.getText().equals(""))
||
(temperatureTextField.getText().equals(""))
||
(electricFieldTextField.getText().equals(""))
) ||
(beadSizeTextField.getText().equals("")) ||
(chainSize == 0) || (temperature == 0) ||
(electricField == 0) || (beadSize == 0) ){

                JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
"Enter correct values first in the INPUT
tab." );

                try{

                    addComponent(pan, runButton,
50,300,160,40);
                    addComponent(pan, backButton,
250,300,90,40);

                    setEnabled(false);
                    w.setLocation(new Point(400,
200));
                    w.setSize(new Dimension(400,
400));

                    w.setVisible(true);

                }

            }

        } catch (IllegalArgumentException iae){
        }
        else{
            JFrame frame3 = new JFrame();

            JLabel timeLabel = new
JLabel("j");
            JLabel ithLabel = new
JLabel("ith bead");
            JLabel iterLabel = new
JLabel("rn");
            JTextArea computationsTextArea =
new JTextArea();

            chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
            int csize = (int)
(chainSize);
            beadSize =
(Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getTex
t()))*(0.000000001);
            temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getT
ext());
            electricField =
(Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.g
etText()))*(100);

            double stokes =
(6*Math.PI*beadSize*0.001);
            int t = 1;
            double [][] r = new
double[3][1000];
            double [] fspring2 =
f_spring(chainSize, beadSize, temperature);
            double [] fbead2 =
f_bead(chainSize, beadSize, temperature);
            double [] fint2 =
f_int(chainSize, beadSize, temperature,
fspring2, fbead2);
            double [] felectric2 =
f_electric(qnet, electricField);
            double [] randforce2 =
random_force(temperature, beadSize);
            DecimalFormat df1 =
new DecimalFormat("#,##0.0000000");
            DecimalFormat df2 =
new DecimalFormat("#,##0.00000");
            double [] delta_t2 =
new double[csize];
            double [][] k1 = new
double[4][1000];
            double [][] k2 = new
double[4][1000];
            double [][] k3 = new
double[4][1000];
            double [][] k4 = new
double[4][1000];
            int h =1;
            int i=0;
            int j=1;
            double [][] rn = new
double[4][1000];
            double [] []fbead3 =
new double [4][1000];
        }
    }
}

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double [] [] fspring3 =
new double [4][1000];
double [4][1000];
double [] [] fint3 = new
double [4][1000];
double [] [] felectric3
= new double [4][1000];
double [] [] randforce3
= new double [4][1000];
double [] [] bd = new
double [4][1000];
rn[0][0] = 0;
rn[1][0] = 0;
rn[2][0] = 0;

try{
for(j =
0; j <= 100; j++){

    bd[0][j] = (beadSize*3);

    bd[1][j] = (beadSize*2);

    bd[2][j] = (beadSize*1);

    fbead3[0][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
7)))));

    fbead3[1][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
7)))));

    fbead3[2][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
13))) - (((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
7)))));

    fspring3[0][j] = (((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(
bd[1][j])));

    fspring3[1][j] = ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(
bd[0][j])))) + ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(
bd[2][j]))));

    fspring3[2][j] = ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(
bd[1][j])));

    fint3[0][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

    fint3[1][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

    fint3[2][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

    if((j < 41) || (j > 60)){

        felectric3[0][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

        felectric3[1][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

        felectric3[2][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

    }

    else{

        felectric3[0][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

        felectric3[1][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

        felectric3[2][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

    }

    double randnum4 = 0;

    int high = 1;

    int low = -1;

    int randnum1 = number.nextInt( high -
low + 1) + low;

    double randnum2 = randnum1; //random
-1, 0, or 1

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        double randnum3 = Math.random();
//random numbers between 0 and 1

        if((randnum2 == 0) && (randnum3 <=
0.5)){
            randnum4 = -1.0;
        }

        if((randnum2 == 0) && (randnum3 >=
0.51)){
            randnum4 = 1.0;
        }

        else{

            randnum4 =
(randnum2*randnum3); //random numbers (-1,1)
problem: -1 and 1 must also be included

        }

        randforce3[0][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        randforce3[1][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        randforce3[2][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        r[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])/stokes;

        k1[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k1[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k3[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k2[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k4[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
(k3[0][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[0][j] = Math.abs( (r[0][j]) +
((k1[0][j] + (2*k2[0][j]) + (2*k3[0][j]) +
k4[0][j] ) /6));

        r[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])/stokes;

        k1[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k1[1][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k3[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k2[1][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k4[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
(k3[1][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[1][j] = Math.abs( (r[1][j]) +
((k1[1][j] + (2*k2[1][j]) + (2*k3[1][j]) +
k4[1][j] ) /6));

        r[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])/stokes;

        k1[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k1[2][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k3[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k2[2][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k4[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
(k3[2][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[2][j] = Math.abs((r[2][j]) +
((k1[2][j] + (2*k2[2][j]) + (2*k3[2][j]) +
k4[2][j] ) /6));

        computationsTextArea.append(j +
"\t0\t" + (rn[0][j]) + "\n" );

        computationsTextArea.append(j +
"\t1\t" + (rn[1][j]) + "\n" );

        computationsTextArea.append(j +
"\t2\t" + (rn[2][j]) + "\n" );

        t = t+1;

        delta_t2[0] = 0.0;

        r[0][0] = 0.0;

        delta_t2[i+1] = (delta_t2[i]) +
0.000175;
    } //end
for j
    } catch(ArrayIndexOutOf
BoundsException aiobe){

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computationsTextArea.setEditable(false);

computationsTextArea.setCaretPosition(0);

        JScrollPane
computationsScrollPane = new JScrollPane();

computationsScrollPane.setViewportViewView(compu
tationsTextArea);

        JButton okButton = new
JButton("OK");

        okButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
                public void
actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

                viewGraphButton_actionPerformed(e);
                }

        });

frame3.getContentPane().setLayout(null);

                addComponent(frame3,
timeLabel, 60, 50, 50, 30);
                addComponent(frame3,
ithLabel, 120,50,50,30);
                addComponent(frame3,
iterLabel, 210,50,50,30);
                addComponent(frame3,
computationsScrollPane, 40,90,450,330);
                addComponent(frame3,
okButton, 180,430,160,40);

        frame3.setTitle("Numerical Data");
        frame3.setLocation(new
Point(450, 250));
        frame3.setSize(new
Dimension(500, 500));

        frame3.setResizable(false);

        frame3.setVisible(true);
        }
        }catch(NumberFormatExc
ption nfe){

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
"Enter correct values first in the INPUT
tab." );

                try{

tabbedPane.setSelectedComponent(pane11);

        }catch(Illegal
ArgumentException iae){}

        }

}

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        private void showGraph(double
chainSize) {
                try{
                        chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
                        temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getT
ext());
                        electricField =
Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.ge
tText());
                        beadSize =
Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getText
());

                        if(( chainSize < 2 )
|| (chainSizeTextField.getText().equals(""))
||
(temperatureTextField.getText().equals(""))
||
(electricFieldTextField.getText().equals(""))
) ||
(beadSizeTextField.getText().equals("")) ||
(chainSize == 0) || (temperature == 0) ||
(electricField == 0) || (beadSize == 0) ){

                                JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
"No graph to show yet. \nEnter correct
values first in the INPUT tab." );
                                try{

tabbedPane.setSelectedComponent(pane11);

        }catch(Illegal
ArgumentException iae){}

                                else{

                                        frame4 = new
JFrame();
                                        JLabel
trapLabel = new JLabel("The particle was
trapped.");
                                        JButton
prevSimButton = new JButton("View Past
Simulations");

                                        prevSimButton.addActionListener(new
ActionListener() {
                                                public
void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {

                                                openSavedGraphButton_actionPerformed(e);
                                                }

                                        });

                                        frame4.getContentPane().setLayout(null);

                                                chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
                                                int csize =
(int)(chainSize);

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        beadSize =
(Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getText())*(0.000000001);
        bs =
Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getText());
        temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getText());
        electricField
=
(Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.getText()))*(100);
        ef =
Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.getText());
        int numtrapctr
= 0;
        double stokes
= (6*Math.PI*beadSize*0.001);
        int t = 1;
        double [][] r
= new double[csize][1100];
        double []
fspring2 = f_spring(chainSize, beadSize,
temperature);
        double []
fbead2 = f_bead(chainSize, beadSize,
temperature);
        double []
fint2 = f_int(chainSize, beadSize,
temperature, fspring2, fbead2);
        double []
felectric2 = f_electric(qnet, electricField);
        double []
randforce2 = random_force(temperature,
beadSize);
        DecimalFormat
df1 = new DecimalFormat("#,##0.000");
        DecimalFormat
df2 = new DecimalFormat("#,##0.00000");
        double [][] k1
= new double[3][1000];
        double [][] k2
= new double[3][1000];
        double [][] k3
= new double[3][1000];
        double [][] k4
= new double[3][1000];
        XYSeries
series = new XYSeries("");
        int simctr = 1;
        int simctr2 =
1;
        int fctr = 0;
        double []
delta_t2 = new double[csize];
        XYDataset
dataset = null;
        JFreeChart
chart = null;
        ChartPanel
chartpanel = null;
        int h =1;
        int i=0;
        int j=0;
        double [][] rn
= new double[3][1000];
        double []
[]fbead3 = new double [3][1000];
        double []
[]fspring3 = new double [3][1000];
        double []
[]fint3 = new double [3][1000];
        double []
[]felectric3 = new double [3][1000];
        double []
[]randforce3 = new double [3][1000];
        double [][]bd
= new double [3][1000];
        double [][]cm
= new double[3][1000];
        cm[0][0] = 0;
        cm[1][0] = 0;
        cm[2][0] = 0;
        for(j =
1; j <= 100; j++){
            bd[0][j] = (beadSize*3);
            bd[1][j] = (beadSize*2);
            bd[2][j] = (beadSize*1);
            double randnum4 = 0;
            int high = 1;
            int low = -1;
            int randnum1 = number.nextInt( high -
low + 1) + low;
            double randnum2 = randnum1; //random
-1, 0, or 1
            double randnum3 = Math.random();
//random numbers between 0 and 1
            if((randnum2 == 0) && (randnum3 <=
0.5)){
                randnum4 = -1.0;
            }
            if((randnum2 == 0) && (randnum3 >=
0.51)){
                randnum4 = 1.0;
            }
            else{
                randnum4 =
(randnum2*randnum3); //random numbers (-1,1)
problem: -1 and 1 must also be included
            }
            series.add(0, cm[0][0] );
            series.add(0, cm[1][0] );
            series.add(0, cm[2][0] );

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        fbead3[0][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Math.
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
7)))));

        fbead3[1][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(bd[2][j]))),
7)))));

        fbead3[2][j] =
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[0][j]))),
7)))) +
((boltzmann_constant*temperature)*((12*(Mat
h.pow(beadSize, 12)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
13)) - ((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/
(Math.pow(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(bd[1][j]))),
7)))));

        fspring3[0][j] = (((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[0][j])-(
bd[1][j])));

        fspring3[1][j] = ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(
bd[0][j])))) + ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[1][j])-(
bd[2][j]))));

        fspring3[2][j] = ((((-
1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*(Math.abs((bd[2][j])-(
bd[1][j])));

        fint3[0][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

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        fint3[1][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

        fint3[2][j] = fbead3[0][j] +
fspring3[0][j];

        randforce3[0][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        randforce3[1][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        randforce3[2][j] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

        if(j < 41){

                felectric3[0][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

                felectric3[1][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

                felectric3[2][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

                r[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])/stokes;

                k1[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0]
[j])*(delta_t/stokes);

                k2[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k1[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

                k3[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k2[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

                k4[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
(k3[0][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

                rn[0][j] = Math.abs((r[0][j])
+ ((k1[0][j] + (2*k2[0][j]) + (2*k3[0][j]) +
k4[0][j]) / 6));

                cm[0][j] = Math.abs(cm[0][j-
1]) + (((cm[0][j]) + (rn[0][j]))/j));

                r[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])/stokes;

                k1[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1]
[j])*(delta_t/stokes);

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        k2[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k1[1][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k3[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k2[1][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k4[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
(k3[1][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[1][j] = Math.abs((r[1][j])
+ ((k1[1][j] + (2*k2[1][j]) + (2*k3[1][j]) +
k4[1][j] ) /6));

        cm[1][j] = Math.abs(cm[1][(j-
1)] + ((cm[1][j] + (rn[1][j]))/j));

        r[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])/stokes;

        k1[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k1[2][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k3[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k2[2][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k4[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
(k3[2][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[2][j] = Math.abs((r[2][j])
+ ((k1[2][j] + (2*k2[2][j]) + (2*k3[2][j]) +
k4[2][j] ) /6));

        cm[2][j] = Math.abs(cm[2][(j-
1)] + ((cm[2][j] + (rn[2][j]))/j));

        series.add(j, cm[0][j]);

        series.add(j, cm[1][j]);

        series.add(j, cm[2][j]);

}

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else if(j > 60){

        felectric3[0][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

        felectric3[1][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

        felectric3[2][j] =
qnet*electricField_initial;

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        r[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])/stokes;

        k1[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k1[0][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k3[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k2[0][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k4[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
(k3[0][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[0][j] = Math.abs((r[0][j])
+ ((k1[0][j] + (2*k2[0][j]) + (2*k3[0][j]) +
k4[0][j] ) /6));

        cm[0][j] = Math.abs(cm[0][39]
+ ((cm[0][j] + (rn[0][j]))/j));

        r[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])/stokes;

        k1[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k1[1][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k3[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k2[1][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k4[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
(k3[1][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[1][j] = Math.abs((r[1][j])
+ ((k1[1][j] + (2*k2[1][j]) + (2*k3[1][j]) +
k4[1][j] ) /6));

        cm[1][j] = Math.abs(cm[1][39]
+ ((cm[1][j] + (rn[1][j]))/j));

        r[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])/stokes;

        k1[2][j] = (fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j])*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k1[2][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

        k3[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
((k2[2][j])/2))* (delta_t/stokes);

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        k4[2][j] = ((fint3[2][j] +
felectric3[2][j] + randforce3[2][j]) +
(k3[2][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[2][j] = Math.abs((r[2][j])
+ ((k1[2][j] + (2*k2[2][j]) + (2*k3[2][j]) +
k4[2][j] ) /6));

        cm[2][j] = Math.abs(cm[2][39]
+ ((cm[2][j]) + (rn[2][j]))/j));

        series.add(j, cm[0][j]);
        series.add(j, cm[1][j]);
        series.add(j, cm[2][j]);

    }

    else{

        felectric3[0][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

        felectric3[1][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

        felectric3[2][j] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);

        r[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])/stokes;

        k1[0][j] = (fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j])
[j]*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k1[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k3[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
((k2[0][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k4[0][j] = ((fint3[0][j] +
felectric3[0][j] + randforce3[0][j]) +
(k3[0][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[0][j] = Math.abs((r[0][j])
+ ((k1[0][j] + (2*k2[0][j]) + (2*k3[0][j]) +
k4[0][j] ) /6));

        cm[0][j] = Math.abs((cm[0]
[39]) + (rn[0][39]))/j);

        r[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])/stokes;

        k1[1][j] = (fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j])
[j]*(delta_t/stokes);

        k2[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k1[1][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k3[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
((k2[1][j])/2))*(delta_t/stokes);

        k4[1][j] = ((fint3[1][j] +
felectric3[1][j] + randforce3[1][j]) +
(k3[1][j]))*(delta_t/stokes);

        rn[1][j] = Math.abs((r[1][j])
+ ((k1[1][j] + (2*k2[1][j]) + (2*k3[1][j]) +
k4[1][j] ) /6));

        cm[1][j] = Math.abs((cm[1]
[39]) + (rn[1][39]))/j);

        series.add(j, cm[0][39]);
        series.add(j, cm[1][39]);
        series.add(j, cm[2][39]);

    }

}

dataset
= new XYSeriesCollection(series);
chart =
ChartFactory.createXYLineChart(("Position vs
Time\n\nN=" + csize + " T=" + temperature +
" E=" + ef + " b=" + bs), "Time (units of
\u03C4)", "Position (units of
sigma)",dataset, PlotOrientation.VERTICAL,
true, true, false);

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        chartpanel = new ChartPanel(chart);
        JScrollPane graphScrollPane = new
        JScrollPane();

graphScrollPane.setViewportView(chartpanel);

        FileInputStream fin;
        FileOutputStream fout;

        try{

            int ctr =
            Integer.parseInt(readFile(outfile));
        }catch(
        NumberFormatException nfe){

            simctr = 1;

        }

        try{

            ChartUtilities.saveChartAsPNG(new
            File(("graph" + simctr+".png")), chart,
            600,300);

            fout = new FileOutputStream
            (outfile);

            new
            PrintStream(fout).println(simctr);

            simctr = simctr + 1;

            fout.close();

        }catch(IOException ioe){}

        }catch(
        Exception ee){

            addComponent(frame4,
            chartpanel, 50, 30, 600, 400 );
            addComponent(frame4,
            trapLabel, 30, 500, 200, 30);

            frame3.setVisible(false);

            frame4.setTitle("Graph");
            frame4.setLocation(new
            Point(300, 150));
            frame4.setSize(new
            Dimension(700, 600));

            frame4.setResizable(false);

            frame4.setVisible(true);
        }
        }catch(NumberFormatException
        nfe){

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```

        JOptionPane.showMessageDialog( null,
        "No graph to show yet. \nEnter correct
        values first in the INPUT tab." );
        try{

tabbedPane.setSelectedComponent(panell1);

        }catch(Illegal
        ArgumentException iae){}

        }

        private double [] f_int(double
        chainSize, double beadSize, double
        temperature, double [] fspring, double []
        fbead){

            chainSize =
            Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextFie
            ld.getText());
            beadSize =
            (Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextFie
            ld.getText()))*(0.000000001);
            temperature =
            Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextFie
            ld.getText());

            int csize = (int)(chainSize);
            double r = 0.000000001;
            double fint [] = new
            double[csize];

            double [] fspring2 =
            f_spring(chainSize, beadSize, temperature);
            double [] fbead2 =
            f_bead(chainSize, beadSize, temperature);
            DecimalFormat df1 = new
            DecimalFormat("#,##0.000");

            try{

                for(int
                i = 0; i <= csize; i++){

                    fint[i] = fspring2[i] + fbead2[i];

                    r = r + 0.000000001;

                }

            }catch(NullPoi
            nterException npe){

            }catch(
            ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException aiobe){}

            return fint;

        }

        private double [] f_spring(double
        chainSize, double beadSize, double
        temperature) {

            chainSize =
            Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextFie
            ld.getText());

            int csize = (int)(chainSize);
            beadSize =
            (Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextFie
            ld.getText()))*(0.000000001);
            temperature =
            Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextFie
            ld.getText());

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```

        double r = 0.000000001;
        double vspring [] = new
double[csize];
        double fspring [] = new
double[csize];
        try{
            for(int i = 0; i <=
1000; i++){
                fspring[i] =
(((-1)*boltzmann_constant*temperature*k)/
(beadSize*beadSize))*r);
                r = r +
0.000000001;
            }
        }catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsE
xception aiobe){}
        return fspring;
    }

    private double [] f_bead(double
chainSize, double beadSize, double
temperature){
        chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
        int csize = (int)(chainSize);
        beadSize =
(Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getTex
t()))*(0.000000001);
        temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getT
ext());
        double r = 0.000000001;
        double vbead[] = new
double[csize];
        double fbead[] = new
double[csize];
        try{
            for(int i =0; i <=
csize ; i++ ){
                double cond []
= new double[csize];
                cond[i] =
(r/beadSize);
                if(cond[i] <
(Math.pow(2, (1/6)))){
                    fbead[i] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature)*(((12*(Math
.pow(beadSize, 12)))/(Math.pow(r, 13))) -
(((6*(Math.pow(beadSize, 6)))/(Math.pow(r,
7))))));
                }
                else{
                    fbead[i] = 0;
                }
                r = r +
0.000000001;
            }
        }
    }

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```

        }catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsE
xception aiobe){}
        return fbead;
    }

    private double [] f_electric(double
qnet, double electricField){
        chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
        int csize = (int)(chainSize);
        beadSize =
(Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getTex
t()))*(0.000000001);
        electricField =
(Double.parseDouble(electricFieldTextField.g
etText()))*(100);
        double felectric[] = new
double[csize];
        double [] potential_energy =
new double[csize];
        DecimalFormat df1 = new
DecimalFormat("#,##0.000");
        int channelSize = 100;
        try{
            for(int i =0; i <=
csize ; i++ ){
                for(int cs =
0; cs<=channelSize; cs++){
                    if((cs
< 41) || (cs > 60)){
                        felectric[i] =
qnet*electricField_initial;
                    }
                    else{
                        felectric[i] =
qnet*(electricField_initial - electricField);
                    }
                }
            }
        }catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsE
xception aiobe){}
        return felectric;
    }

    private double []
random_force(double temperature, double
beadSize){
        chainSize =
Double.parseDouble(chainSizeTextField.getTex
t());
        int csize = (int)
(chainSize);
        temperature =
Double.parseDouble(temperatureTextField.getT
ext());
        beadSize =
(Double.parseDouble(beadSizeTextField.getTex
t()))*(0.000000001);
        double randforce[] =
new double[csize];
    }

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```

        DecimalFormat df1 =
new DecimalFormat("#,##0.000");

        try{
            for(int i =0; i <=
csize ; i++ ){

                double
                int high = 1;
                int low = -1;
                int randnum1 =
number.nextInt( high - low + 1) + low;
                double
                randnum2 = randnum1; //random -1, 0, or 1
                double
                randnum3 = Math.random(); //random numbers
                between 0 and 1
                if((randnum2
== 0) && (randnum3 <= 0.5)){
                    randnum4 = -1.0;
                }
                if((randnum2
== 0) && (randnum3 >= 0.51)){
                    randnum4 = 1.0;
                }
                else{
                    randnum4 = (randnum2*randnum3);
                    //random numbers (-1,1) problem: -1 and 1
                    must also be included
                }

                randforce[i] =
(boltzmann_constant*temperature/beadSize)*(M
ath.sqrt((6*transit_time)/delta_t))*(randnum
4);

            }

        }catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsExceptionE
xception aiobe){}
        return randforce;
    }

    public static void main(String[]
args) {
        SplashScreen splash = new
SplashScreen(10000);
        splash.showSplash();
        new SP().show();

    } //end of main

    public class ButtonHandler implements
ActionListener {
        public void
actionPerformed( ActionEvent e ) {

        }
    } //end of ButtonHandler

} //end of public class SP()

/*SplashScreen.java*/

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```

import java.awt.*;
import javax.swing.*;

public class SplashScreen extends JWindow {

    private int duration;

    public SplashScreen(int d) {
        duration = d;
    }

    public void showSplash() {

        JPanel content =
(JPanel) getContentPane();
        content.setBackground(Color.white);

        int width = 280;
        int height =350;
        Dimension screen =
Toolkit.getDefaultToolkit().getScreenSize();
        int x = (screen.width-width)/2;
        int y = (screen.height-height)/2;
        setBounds(x,y,width,height);

        // Build the splash screen
        JLabel label = new JLabel(new
ImageIcon("dna2.gif"));
        JLabel maintitle = new JLabel
("Simulation of DNA Motion
in Entropic Trapping", JLabel.CENTER);
        maintitle.setFont(new Font("Sans-
Serif", Font.BOLD, 12));
        JLabel author = new JLabel
("Gorospe 2008",
JLabel.CENTER);
        author.setFont(new Font("Sans-
Serif", Font.BOLD, 10));
        content.add(label,
BorderLayout.CENTER);
        content.add(maintitle,
BorderLayout.NORTH);
        content.add(author,
BorderLayout.SOUTH);
        Color fontcol = new Color(20, 120,
150, 125);
        content.setBorder(BorderFactory.crea
teLineBorder(fontcol, 5));

        // Display it
        setVisible(true);

        // Wait while loading resources
        try { Thread.sleep(duration); }
        catch (Exception e) {}

        setVisible(false);

    }

    public void showSplashAndExit() {

        showSplash();
        System.exit(0);

    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {

```



```

        SplashScreen splash = new
SplashScreen(10000);
        splash.showSplash();
    }
}

/*ExampleFileFilter.java*/

/*
 * @(#)ExampleFileFilter.java 1.16 04/07/26
 *
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 */

/*
 * @(#)ExampleFileFilter.java 1.16 04/07/26
 */

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import java.io.File;
import java.util.Hashtable;
import java.util.Enumeration;
import javax.swing.*;
import javax.swing.filechooser.*;

/**
 * A convenience implementation of
 * FileFilter that filters out
 * all files except for those type
 * extensions that it knows about.
 *
 * Extensions are of the type ".foo", which
 * is typically found on
 * Windows and Unix boxes, but not on
 * Macintosh. Case is ignored.
 *
 * Example - create a new filter that
 * filters out all files
 * but gif and jpg image files:
 *
 *     JFileChooser chooser = new
 *     JFileChooser();
 *     ExampleFileFilter filter = new
 *     ExampleFileFilter(
 *         new String("gif",
 * "jpg"), "JPEG & GIF Images")
 *
 *     chooser.addChoosableFileFilter(filter);
 *     chooser.showOpenDialog(this);
 *
 * @version 1.16 07/26/04
 * @author Jeff Dinkins
 */
public class ExampleFileFilter extends
FileFilter {

    private static String TYPE_UNKNOWN =
    "Type Unknown";
    private static String HIDDEN_FILE =
    "Hidden File";

    private Hashtable filters = null;
    private String description = null;
    private String fullDescription = null;
    private boolean
useExtensionsInDescription = true;

    /**
     * Creates a file filter. If no filters
     * are added, then all
     * files are accepted.
     *
     * @see #addExtension
     */
    public ExampleFileFilter() {
        this.filters = new Hashtable();
    }

    /**
     * Creates a file filter that accepts
     * files with the given extension.
     * Example: new ExampleFileFilter("jpg");
     *
     * @see #addExtension
     */
    public ExampleFileFilter(String
extension) {
        this(extension,null);
    }

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    }

    /**
     * Creates a file filter that accepts
     the given file type.
     * Example: new ExampleFileFilter("jpg",
     "JPEG Image Images");
     *
     * Note that the "." before the
     extension is not needed. If
     * provided, it will be ignored.
     *
     * @see #addExtension
     */
    public ExampleFileFilter(String
    extension, String description) {
        this();
        if(extension!=null)
    addExtension(extension);
        if(description!=null)
    setDescription(description);
    }

    /**
     * Creates a file filter from the given
     string array.
     * Example: new ExampleFileFilter(String
     {"gif", "jpg"});
     *
     * Note that the "." before the
     extension is not needed and
     * will be ignored.
     *
     * @see #addExtension
     */
    public ExampleFileFilter(String[]
    filters) {
        this(filters, null);
    }

    /**
     * Creates a file filter from the given
     string array and description.
     * Example: new ExampleFileFilter(String
     {"gif", "jpg"}, "Gif and JPG Images");
     *
     * Note that the "." before the
     extension is not needed and will be ignored.
     *
     * @see #addExtension
     */
    public ExampleFileFilter(String[]
    filters, String description) {
        this();
        for (int i = 0; i < filters.length;
    i++) {
            // add filters one by one
            addExtension(filters[i]);
        }
        if(description!=null)
    setDescription(description);
    }

    /**
     * Return true if this file should be
     shown in the directory pane,
     * false if it shouldn't.
     *
     * Files that begin with "." are ignored.
     *
     * @see #getExtension

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     * @see FileFilter#accepts
     */
    public boolean accept(File f) {
        if(f != null) {
            if(f.isDirectory()) {
                return true;
            }
            String extension =
    getExtension(f);
            if(extension != null &&
    filters.get(getExtension(f)) != null) {
                return true;
            }
        }
        return false;
    }

    /**
     * Return the extension portion of the
     file's name .
     *
     * @see #getExtension
     * @see FileFilter#accept
     */
    public String getExtension(File f) {
        if(f != null) {
            String filename = f.getName();
            int i =
    filename.lastIndexOf('.');
            if(i>0 && i<filename.length()-1)
        {
            return
    filename.substring(i+1).toLowerCase();
        }
        return null;
    }

    /**
     * Adds a filetype "dot" extension to
     filter against.
     *
     * For example: the following code will
     create a filter that filters
     * out all files except those that end
     in ".jpg" and ".tif":
     *
     * ExampleFileFilter filter = new
     ExampleFileFilter();
     * filter.addExtension("jpg");
     * filter.addExtension("tif");
     *
     * Note that the "." before the
     extension is not needed and will be ignored.
     */
    public void addExtension(String
    extension) {
        if(filters == null) {
            filters = new Hashtable(5);
        }
        filters.put(extension.toLowerCase(),
    this);
        fullDescription = null;
    }

    /**
     * Returns the human readable
     description of this filter. For
     * example: "JPEG and GIF Image Files
     (*.jpg, *.gif)"

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    *
    * @see setDescription
    * @see setExtensionListInDescription
    * @see isExtensionListInDescription
    * @see FileFilter#getDescription
    */
    public String getDescription() {
        if(fullDescription == null) {
            if(description == null ||
isExtensionListInDescription()) {
                fullDescription =
description==null ? "(" : description + " (";
                // build the description from
the extension list
                Enumeration extensions =
filters.keys();
                if(extensions != null) {
                    fullDescription += "." +
(String) extensions.nextElement();
                    while
(extension.hasMoreElements()) {
                        fullDescription +=
", ." + (String) extensions.nextElement();
                    }
                }
                fullDescription += ")";
            } else {
                fullDescription = description;
            }
        }
        return fullDescription;
    }

    /**
    * Sets the human readable description
of this filter. For
    * example: filter.setDescription("Gif
and JPG Images");
    *
    * @see setDescription
    * @see setExtensionListInDescription
    * @see isExtensionListInDescription
    */
    public void setDescription(String
description) {
        this.description = description;
        fullDescription = null;
    }

    /**
    * Determines whether the extension list
(.jpg, .gif, etc) should
    * show up in the human readable
description.
    *
    * Only relevent if a description was
provided in the constructor
    * or using setDescription();
    *
    * @see getDescription
    * @see setDescription
    * @see isExtensionListInDescription
    */
    public void
setExtensionListInDescription(boolean b) {
        useExtensionsInDescription = b;
        fullDescription = null;
    }
}

    * Returns whether the extension list
(.jpg, .gif, etc) should
    * show up in the human readable
description.
    *
    * Only relevent if a description was
provided in the constructor
    * or using setDescription();
    *
    * @see getDescription
    * @see setDescription
    * @see setExtensionListInDescription
    */
    public boolean
isExtensionListInDescription() {
        return useExtensionsInDescription;
    }
}

```

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***— Colossians 3:17***