

GROMACS - Bug #2542

Freezing does not work with constraints

06/04/2018 11:09 AM - Semen Yesylevskyy

Status:	Closed	
Priority:	High	
Assignee:	Berk Hess	
Category:	mdrun	
Target version:	2018.2	
Affected version - extra info:	Works in 5.1.2, doesn't work in 2018.1.	Difficulty: uncategorized
Affected version:	2018.1	

Description

Freezing stopped working in version 2018.1!

This is rather critical bug - it is impossible to use frozen groups in this version.

To reproduce:

In attached system SOL residue [#1](#) is frozen completely. If this is run with Gromacs 5.1.2 it stays frozen as expected. In 2018.1 frozen molecule moves freely.

Associated revisions

Revision f0bcda84 - 06/12/2018 09:20 AM - Berk Hess

Remove constraint v correction for frozen atoms

The optimized update routines no longer set the velocities of frozen dimensions to zero, but the constraint code would still correct the velocities of frozen dimensions.

Note that the COM correction can still modify velocities of frozen dimensions, but this is a negligible effect unless there are systematic COM forces.

Fixes #2542

Change-Id: I4770d9bd7991a021ce173f219eb7310a91eaf10e

Revision 1645a388 - 06/12/2018 09:21 AM - Berk Hess

Avoid COM removal moving frozen atoms

Fixes #2551

Refs #2542

Change-Id: Ild7523661248594cce7329dfd86e814b78c9c32c

History

#1 - 06/05/2018 08:40 AM - Berk Hess

- Status changed from New to In Progress

- Assignee set to Berk Hess

#2 - 06/05/2018 11:32 AM - Gerrit Code Review Bot

Gerrit received a related patchset '1' for Issue [#2542](#).

Uploader: Berk Hess (hess@kth.se)

Change-Id: gromacs~release-2018~I4770d9bd7991a021ce173f219eb7310a91eaf10e

Gerrit URL: <https://gerrit.gromacs.org/7974>

#3 - 06/05/2018 11:35 AM - Berk Hess

- Status changed from In Progress to Fix uploaded

The main contribution comes from constraints corrections to the velocities of frozen atoms. I pushed up a correction for this.

There can be (small) effects of center of mass velocities corrections on frozen dimensions. We should consider adding a warning in grompp for

applying COM removal to frozen dimensions.

#4 - 06/05/2018 11:35 AM - Berk Hess

- Category set to *mdrun*
- Target version set to 2018.2

#5 - 06/05/2018 11:35 AM - Berk Hess

- Subject changed from *Freezing does not work* to *Freezing does not work with constraints*

#6 - 06/05/2018 12:09 PM - Mark Abraham

Was there a change since 5.1.2 that caused this? Do we need to consider fixing it 2016 branch?

#7 - 06/05/2018 01:57 PM - Semen Yesylevskyy

- File *ion.zip* added

Berk Hess wrote:

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I need to add that this also happens to the atoms without any constraints on them. See attached system with frozen ion - it also moves a lot. So I wonder if the name "Freezing does not work with constraints" is correct - it seems that freezing just does not work at all :)

#8 - 06/05/2018 11:41 PM - David van der Spoel

This is indeed due to the *com_groups = system* option. You can circumvent this by using *com_groups = water* in your *mdp* file (I tested it). I guess a warning in *grompp* would be in place if *com_groups* overlap with *freeze_grps*.

#9 - 06/06/2018 09:56 AM - Semen Yesylevskyy

David van der Spoel wrote:

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The warning is a good option indeed, however I see few problems:

- 1) The behavior is fundamentally different between the versions. In 5.x and 2016.x frozen groups were fixed even with *com_groups = system*. In 2018.x they move. So your old setups no longer run as intended. This is very confusing and frustrating for the user.
- 2) This is counterintuitive. If I freeze the group I expect it to be, well, frozen :) regardless of other options.
- 3) Leaving frozen groups out of *com_groups* produces a warning "Some atoms are not part of any center of mass motion removal group."
- 4) What happens in the case if only X dim is frozen and the atom is out of *com_groups*?

#10 - 06/07/2018 01:54 PM - Berk Hess

- 1) Could be addressed by detecting such cases and passing them through the non-optimized integrator
- 2) You are asking for incompatible requirements. But this could be done automatically by excluding frozen atoms from the group.
- 3) That warning should be fixed.
- 4) We could pass such cases through the old integrator setup, but to be 100% correct, their mass should not contribute to the COM mass along frozen dimensions.

#11 - 06/07/2018 02:31 PM - Gerrit Code Review Bot

Gerrit received a related patchset '1' for Issue [#2542](#).
Uploader: Berk Hess (hess@kth.se)
Change-Id: *gromacs~release-2018~lfd7523661248594cce7329dfd86e814b78c9c32c*
Gerrit URL: <https://gerrit.gromacs.org/7982>

#12 - 06/07/2018 03:11 PM - Berk Hess

I opened a new issue [#2551](#) and uploaded a fix that should replicate the old behavior. Any other changes we discussed should probably go into master.

#13 - 06/12/2018 10:15 AM - Berk Hess

- Status changed from *Fix uploaded* to *Resolved*

Applied in changeset [f0bcda840dd857e8d99c66d1adce95eeb00cc857](#).

#14 - 06/12/2018 03:10 PM - Mark Abraham

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

Files

bug.zip	9.91 KB	06/04/2018	Semen Yesylevskyy
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