

Collective Behaviour Project

Collective Fish Behaviour

A Hydrodynamic Interaction Model

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Goal of the project

Initial Objective:

- Develop a refined fish behavior simulation including hydrodynamics presented in *Model of collective fish behavior with hydrodynamic interactions, Fiella et. al. (2018)*
- Aim for accuracy in modeling behavior influenced by environment

Our Improvements:

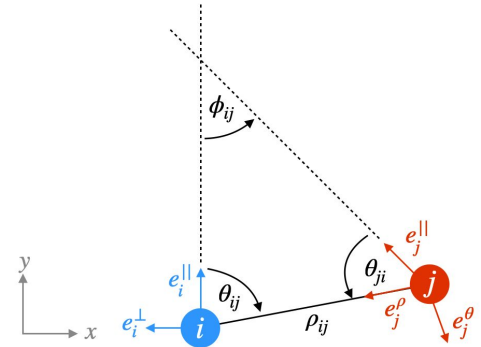
- Enhance the model from the paper with water physics and predator interactions
- Create a realistic, interactive simulation environment

Fish behavioural model

- *Self-Propelled Particle (SPP)* model
- Fish - particle moving with a constant speed
- Attraction factor k_p , alignment factor k_v
- Gaussian rotational noise σ
- New variables

$$I_{||} = k_v \sqrt{\frac{v}{k_p}} \quad I_n = \sigma (vk_p)^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$I_f = S \frac{k_p}{v}$$



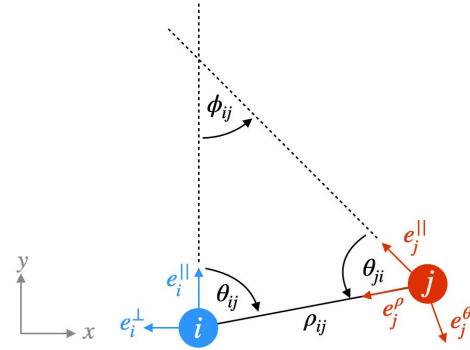
Fish behavioural model - system of equations

$$\dot{r}_i = e_i^{\parallel} + U_i$$

$$\dot{\theta}_i = \langle \rho_{ij} \sin(\theta_{ij}) + I_{\parallel} \sin(\phi_{ij}) \rangle + I_n \eta + \Omega_i$$

- Drift term

$$U_i = \sum_{j \neq i} u_{ji}, \quad u_{ji} = \frac{I_f}{\pi} \frac{e_j^{\theta} \sin(\theta_{ji}) + e_j^{\rho} \cos(\theta_{ji})}{\rho_{ij}^2}$$

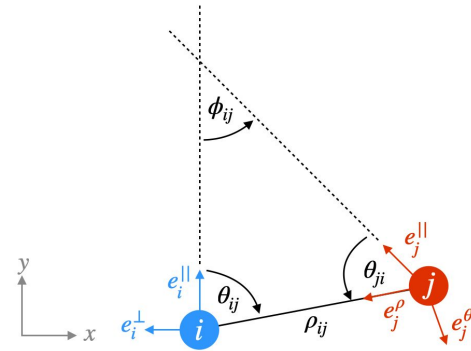


Fish behavioural model - system of equations (cont'd)

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- Standard Wiener process η
- Hydrodynamic-induced rotation



$$\Omega_i = \sum_{j \neq i} e_i^{\parallel} \cdot \nabla u_{ji} \cdot e_i^{\perp}$$

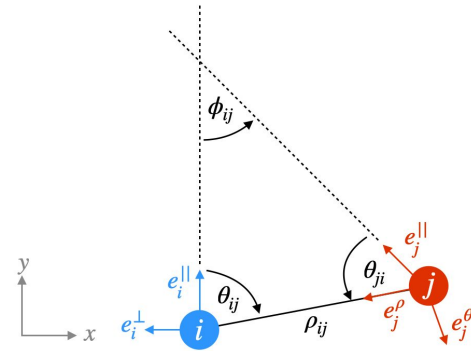
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- Averaging over Voronoi neighbours

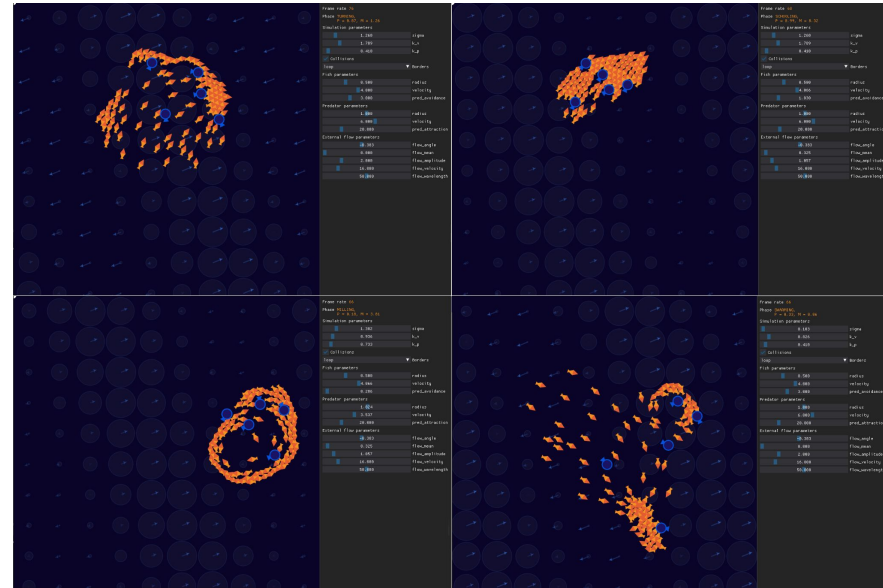
$$\langle \star \rangle = \frac{\sum_{j \in \nu_i} \star (1 + \cos(\theta_{ij}))}{\sum_{j \in \nu_i} (1 + \cos(\theta_{ij}))}$$



Classification of fish behaviours

- *Schooling, swarming, milling, turning*
- Classification using new parameters:
 - *Polarization (P)*
 - *Milling (M)*

	$P \leq 0.5$	$P > 0.5$
$M \leq 0.4$	swarming	schooling
$M > 0.4$	milling	turning



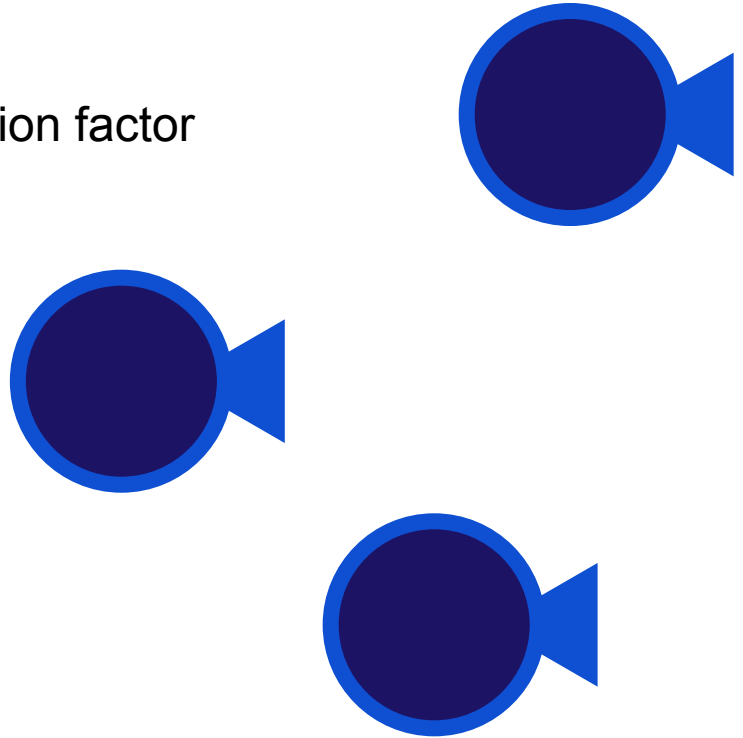
Implementation

- *Python*
- Libraries: *NumPy, SciPy, DearPyGUI*
- Main goals:
 - Fast simulation
 - Aesthetic design
 - Interactive parameter changing



Improvement 1 - predator

- Similar behaviour to the fish
- Moves toward other fish with some attraction factor
- Other fish try to turn away if it's too close
- Turns away from other predators
- No ability to eat



Improvement 2 - external flow

- Simulates natural currents and waves
- Affects fish movement and group dynamics
- Use sine function for simulation
- Calculate the strength at each fish position and move it accordingly
- Apply rotational change with gradient



Achieved Results

Successful Model Replication:

- Replicated complex fish behaviors: swarming, schooling, milling, and turning
- Behaviors classified using Polarization (P) and Milling (M) parameters

Enhanced Realism:

- Integrated like collision avoidance and boundary interactions
- Added predator simulation and external flow dynamics
- An interactive GUI allowing real-time parameter adjustments and observations

Video Demonstration

<https://youtu.be/F9MiLQuiUbl?si=J-B8fX5p5xMtAfU6>

Improvements and Ideas for Future Projects

- Use better, more efficient GUI library
- Addressing instances where the current model misidentifies fish behavior
- Engage with marine biologists for insights and validation
- Generally content with our approach and methodology