

Calculating Methods of Quantitative in Sheep Herds

At the very beginning, there are some basic theories and assumptions that must be clarified.

- A. Neighbors. The neighbors of one agent are related with the searching radius. Agents located within a circle range are defined as neighbors of the one at the center point.
- B. Sheep herd is a time variant system. As a result, all quantitative should be functions of time t . Researchers should redefine the time and length unit of the dataset, which will be treated as the standard SI through calculating process.
- C. Speed angle is the same as sheep orientation. It is within range $(-\pi, \pi]$.

- **Density & Integrated conditional density**

Density is described as the agent number per unit area of whole group. It is only a function of time. The convex hull of all agents is used to calculate area.

$$\rho(t) = \frac{N(t)}{A(t)}$$

Where $N(t)$ is the number of all agents, $A(t)$ is convex hull area.

Integrated conditional density is a function of both time and radius. It only counts the average neighbors within radius R of some agents. Those sampled agents are usually close to the center of the whole group.

$$\tau(R, t) = \frac{1}{n_c} \sum_{i=1}^{n_c} \frac{N_i(R, t)}{\pi R^2}$$

Where n_c is the number of sampled agents.

- **Polarization & Order Parameter**

Order Parameter is used to describe the degree of alignment of the group. It can be defined as the normalized magnitude of the summed velocity.

$$\psi(t) = \frac{\sum \mathbf{v}(t)}{\sum |\mathbf{v}(t)|}$$

If group is perfectly aligned, $\psi=1$; randomly oriented, $\psi=0$.

Polarization has similar physical meaning to Order Parameter. But their calculation formulas are different.

$$p(t) = \sqrt{\langle \cos \phi_i \rangle_i^2 + \langle \sin \phi_i \rangle_i^2}$$

- **Average Velocity & Local Average Velocity**

Average Velocity contains both the average orientation and average speed of whole group.

$$Ave_{ori}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^N \xi_i$$

$$Ave_{speed}(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^N v_i$$

Local Average Velocity (LAV) is a function of R and t.

$$R = \alpha \cdot \langle \sqrt{(x_i - x_0)^2 + (y_i - y_0)^2} \rangle_i$$

$$(x_0, y_0) = (\langle x_i \rangle, \langle y_i \rangle)$$

$$LAV(R, t, i) = \frac{1}{n_{ci}} \sum_{j=0}^{n_{ci}} v_{i,j}$$

$$n_{ci} = count(dis_{neighbors,i} < R)$$

Where α is adjustable. $v_{i,j}$ means velocity of the j^{th} neighbor of i^{th} agent.

- **Nearest Neighbor Distance**

Nearest neighbor distance (DNN) is a function of t.

$$DNN(t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^N d_i$$

$$d_i = \min(D_{i,j})$$

$$D_{i,j} = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2}$$

- **Density Angular Distribution**

Density Angular Distribution (DAD) only analyze agents who are close to the center of group. The radius used for this selection is defined as:

$$r = R|_{\alpha=0.5}$$

R is defined in *Average Velocity & Local Average Velocity* part.

$$\theta_{ij} = \theta(D_{i,j} < r)$$

$$DAD(k, t) = \frac{count(\xi_k < \theta_{ij} < \xi_{k+1})}{0.5 \cdot (\xi_{k+1} - \xi_k) \cdot r^2}$$

$$\xi_{k+1} - \xi_k = \frac{2\pi}{N_k}, \quad \xi_0 = -\pi$$

N_k is adjustable.

- **Velocity Gradient**

Gradient field of velocity value. Function of x , y and t . Discrete calculating method:

$quan_{ij}$ means one quantitative of the j^{th} nearest neighbors of agent i . $j \leq 8$.

$$\begin{aligned}\delta v_{ij} &= v_{ij} - v_i \\ \delta l_{ij} &= \sqrt{(x_{ij} - x_i)^2 + (y_{ij} - y_i)^2} \\ \xi_{ij} &= \text{acrtan2}(y_i - y_{ij}, x_i - x_{ij}) \\ grad_{x,i} &= \sum_j \left(\frac{\delta v_{ij}}{\delta l_{ij}} \cdot \cos \xi_{ij} \right) \\ grad_{y,i} &= \sum_j \left(\frac{\delta v_{ij}}{\delta l_{ij}} \cdot \sin \xi_{ij} \right)\end{aligned}$$

- **Vorticity**

Neighbors of agent i are defined in the same way as that in *Local Average Velocity* part.

And α is also adjustable.

$$\begin{aligned}\delta \mathbf{V}_{ij} &= \mathbf{V}_{ij} - \mathbf{V}_i \\ \delta \mathbf{L}_{ij} &= (x_{ij} - x_i, y_{ij} - y_i) \\ \mathbf{vor} &= \frac{1}{N_i} \sum_{j \in N_i} \frac{\delta \mathbf{L}_{ij} \times \delta \mathbf{V}_{ij}}{|\delta \mathbf{V}_{ij}|}\end{aligned}$$

- **Divergence**

When neighbors, $\delta \mathbf{V}_{ij}$ and $\delta \mathbf{L}_{ij}$ are the same as those in *Vorticity* part, divergence can be defined as:

$$\mathbf{Div} = \frac{1}{N_i} \sum_{j \in N_i} \delta \mathbf{L}_{ij} \cdot \delta \mathbf{V}_{ij}$$

- **Pairwise Distribution**

Pairwise Distribution (*PD*) counts numbers of pairs whose distance are between d_k and d_{k+1} .

$$\begin{aligned}PD &= \frac{\text{count}(d_k < D_{i,j} < d_{k+1})}{\pi(d_{k+1}^2 - d_k^2)} \\ d_{k+1} - d_k &= \frac{d_{\max}}{N_d}, \quad d_0 = \frac{d_{\max}}{N_d} \\ d_{\max} &= \max(D_{i,j})\end{aligned}$$

Where $D_{i,j}$ is defined in *Nearest Neighbor Distance* part.

- **Correlation**

As the name indicates, Correlation is proportional to the discrete convolution of two quantitative.

$$Cor_{1,2}(n) = \frac{1}{n_{1,2}} \sum_{t=-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{q}_1(t) \cdot \tilde{q}_2(n-t)$$

$$\tilde{q}_i = q_i - \bar{q}_i$$

$$n_{1,2} = count(\tilde{q}_1(t) \text{ has number } \&\& \tilde{q}_2(n-t) \text{ has number })$$