HFSP Kickoff meeting

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Ph.D. Research



Foraging

How do animals find food? What do they optimize?

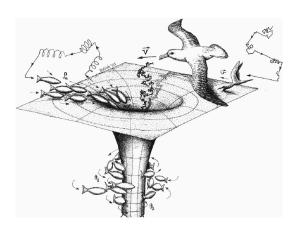
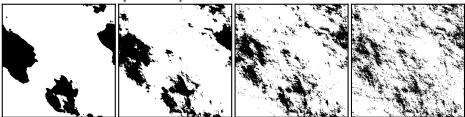


Figure: Drawing by Ricard Solé, from Bartumeus (2007)



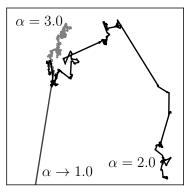
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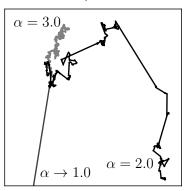
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Foraging behaviour and patch size distribution jointly determine population dynamics in fragmented landscapes

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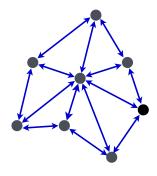






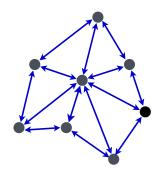


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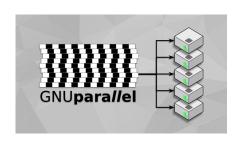


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- Numerical approaches large-scale parallel computation using Julia, Python and bash





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- 2 Advance understanding of multiscale influence of HGT
- 3 Make predictions about more complex (non-microbial?) communities



Thank you