

Data Science Course

Understanding swarm behaviour

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Presentation Overview

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- Quantification

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Models available:

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'Simple speed coupling.....smpl'  
'Couzin model.....czn'  
'Viscek model.....vsck'  
'Couzin-2 model.....czn2'  
'Mill model.....mill'
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Paper 1: Effective leadership and decision-making in animal groups on the move (Couzin et al): czn2

same as Couzin 1 model but without orientation phase

Paper 2: Double milling in self-propelled swarms from kinetic theory (Carrillo et al): mill

A kinetic theory based approach for swarming systems of self-propelled discrete particles.

Individuals driven by self-propelling forces and pairwise attractive and repulsive interactions lead to various morphologies, e.f. flocks, rotating mills, rings and clumps.

We can

- average in direction or velocity
- consider different zones of interaction and averaging (see Couzin et al)

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But: As N =particles grows, it becomes increasingly difficult to follow the dynamics of each individual agent. Therefore, we choose a continuous approach where particles are represented by a density field.

Consider N interacting, self-propelled particles governed by the following equations of motion

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \vec{x}_i}{\partial t} &= \vec{v}_i \\ m \frac{\partial \vec{v}_i}{\partial t} &= (\alpha - \beta |\vec{v}_i|^2) \vec{v}_i - \vec{\nabla}_i U(\vec{x}_i)\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

where U is a pairwise interaction potential and $\alpha, \beta > 0$ are values for propulsion and friction forces.

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For U we choose the *Morse potential* which is a common choice for interacting swarming systems

$$U(\vec{x}_i) = \sum_{j \neq i} \left[\underbrace{-C_a e^{-|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|/l_a}}_{\text{attraction}} + \underbrace{C_r e^{-|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|/l_r}}_{\text{repulsion}} \right] \quad (2)$$

where C_a , C_r denote attractive and repulsive strengths and l_a , l_r their respective length scales.

Quantification

Figure 1: Accuracy

Figure 2: Group elongation

Figure 3: Two groups

Quantification mill

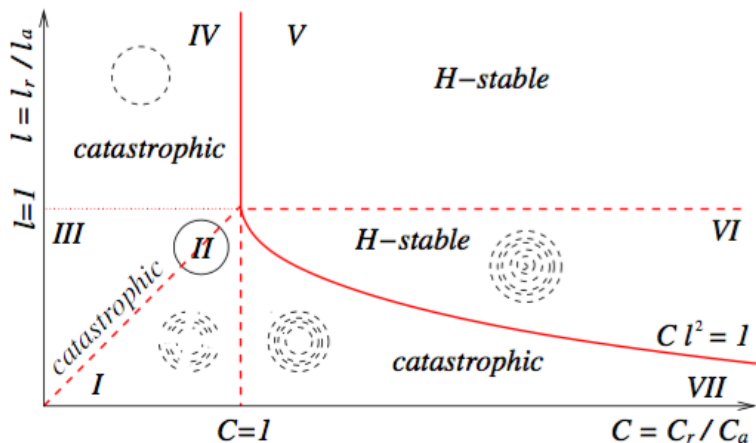


Figure: H-stability phase diagram of the Morse potential

Quantification mill

Region I

Region II

Region III

Region IV

Region V

Region VI

Quantification mill

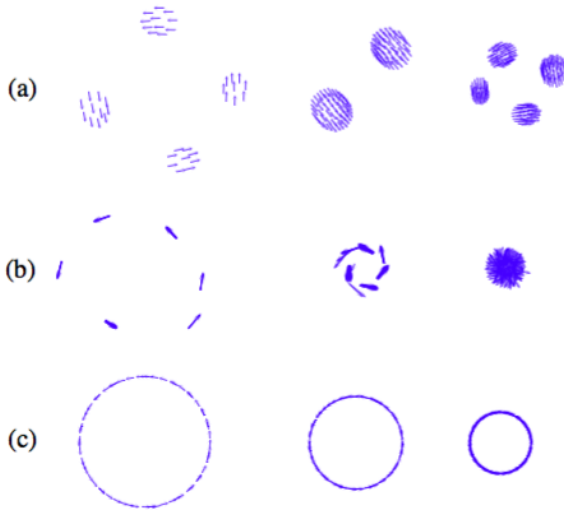


Figure: Catastrophic geometry.
(a) Clumps. (b) Ring Clumping. (c) Rings.

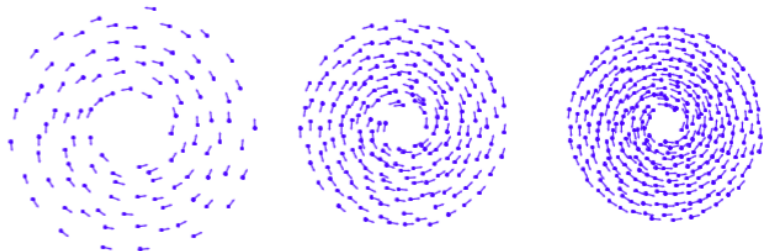


FIG. 3 (color online). Snapshots of swarms for different values of N in the catastrophic regime defined by region VII of Fig. 1. From left to right $N = 100, 200, 300$. The chosen parameters are $C_a = 0.5$, $C_r = 1$, $\ell_a = 2$, $\ell_r = 0.5$, and $\alpha = 1.6$, $\beta = 0.5$.

Quantification `mill`

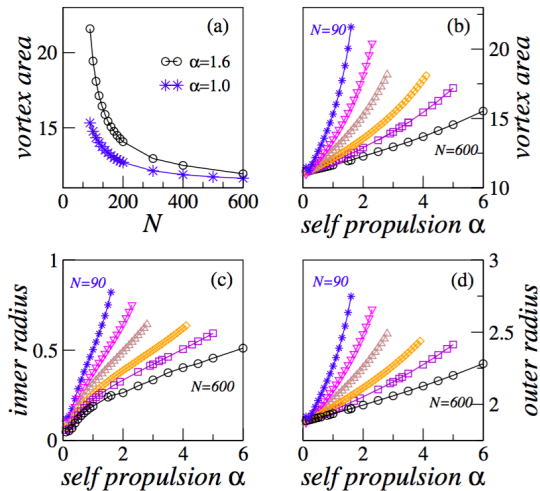


Figure: Vortex scaling for the catastrophic Morse potential.