

Vida Artificial

(x robótica en enjambre
& evolución encarnada)

resolver problemas mirando la naturaleza

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Yo

- Infor. Sistemas UVa (06-10)
- Erasmus Nancy, FR (10)
 - Web semántica, ...
- Ing. de investigación (10-11)
- Máster Inform. Int. Art. (11-13)
- Doct. Rob. Colectiva (13-17)

Mi circunstancia

- Investigador postdoc
 - Univ. Toulouse 3
- Optimización bioinsp., y más
 - Despl. eq. intervención
 - Comport. robot colectivo
 - Comunic. en col. de bact.
- Vicepres. grupo ISALStud.
 - Intern. Soc. for Artif. Life
- Enseñanza, divulg., pedagogía

A word cloud centered around the theme of swarm intelligence and robotics. The most prominent words are "nature" (large red), "flocking" (blue), "boid" (pink), "artificial" (dark brown), "swarm" (yellow), and "life" (yellow). Other significant words include "flock" (pink), "boids" (blue), "behaviour" (purple), "simulation" (dark blue), "models" (blue), "systems" (purple), "group" (green), "individual" (purple), "intelligence" (green), "applications" (green), "rules" (red), "current" (red), "models" (yellow), "robotics" (yellow), "group" (green), "way" (blue), "human" (brown), "towards" (yellow), "evolution" (green), "physical" (yellow), "system" (green), "also" (green), "robots" (yellow), "avoid" (green), and "intelligence" (green).

Estructura de esta charla

- › ¿Qué es la naturaleza? Ejemplos
- › ¿Qué es la Vida Artificial? Ejemplos
- › Robótica en enjambre + Evolución encarnada
- › Mi visión global sobre la Vida Artificial

En la naturaleza, buscamos....

- 1) Patrones 2) Autoorganización

Veamos unos ejemplos....





Hopetoun Falls, Victoria, Australia (Wikimedia Commons)





Cañón del Río Lobos, Soria, Spain (Wikimedia Commons)





Rice Terraces, Bali, Indonesia (Wikimedia Commons)





Rinjani Volcano Eruption (1994), Lombok, Indonesia (Wikimedia Commons)



Metal casting (Wikimedia Commons)





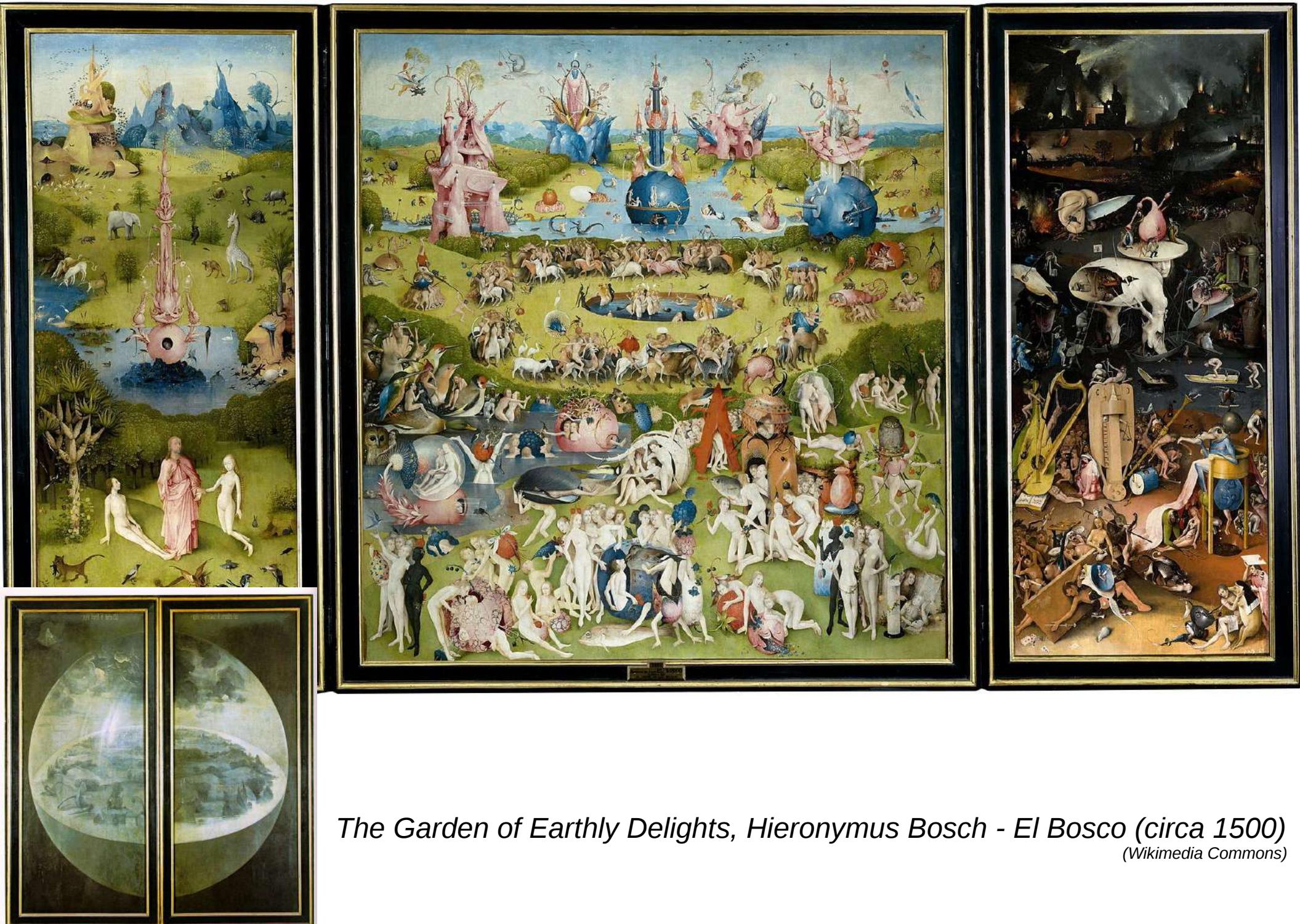
La Cistérniga (winter 2009), Valladolid, Spain (Wikimedia Commons)



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Vida Artificial, Robótica en Enjambre, Evolución Encarnada

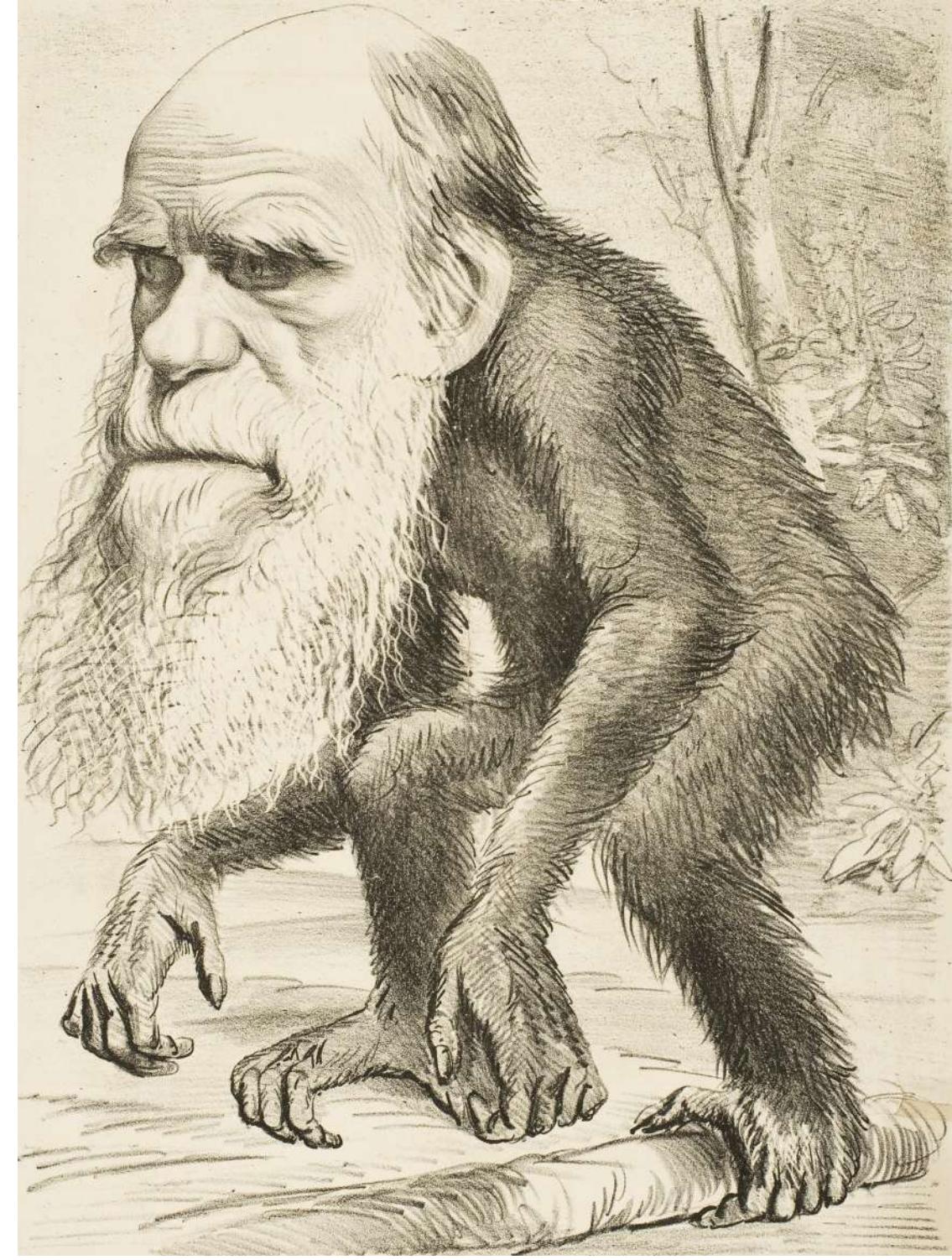
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The Garden of Earthly Delights, Hieronymus Bosch - El Bosco (circa 1500)
(Wikimedia Commons)



Reconciling Science [and Religion], Harishbabu Laguduva, 2013 (Wikimedia Commons)



ON
THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES

BY MEANS OF NATURAL SELECTION,

OR THE

PRESERVATION OF FAVOURED RACES IN THE STRUGGLE
FOR LIFE.

By CHARLES DARWIN, M.A.,

FELLOW OF THE ROYAL, GEOLOGICAL, LINNÆAN, ETC., SOCIETIES;
AUTHOR OF 'JOURNAL OF RESEARCHES DURING H. M. S. BEAGLE'S VOYAGE
ROUND THE WORLD.'

LONDON:
JOHN MURRAY, ALBEMARLE STREET.
1859.

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Flock of starlings (murmuration) (Wikimedia Commons)



Fire ant raft ([Wikimedia Commons](#))



Bait ball (Wikimedia Commons)



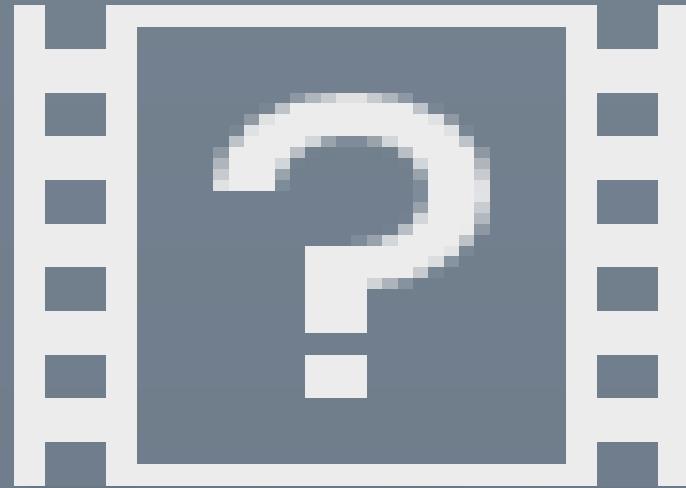
Bee hive ([Wikimedia Commons](#))



Ant bridge (Wikimedia Commons)



Shibuya crossing, Tokyo, Japan, 2018



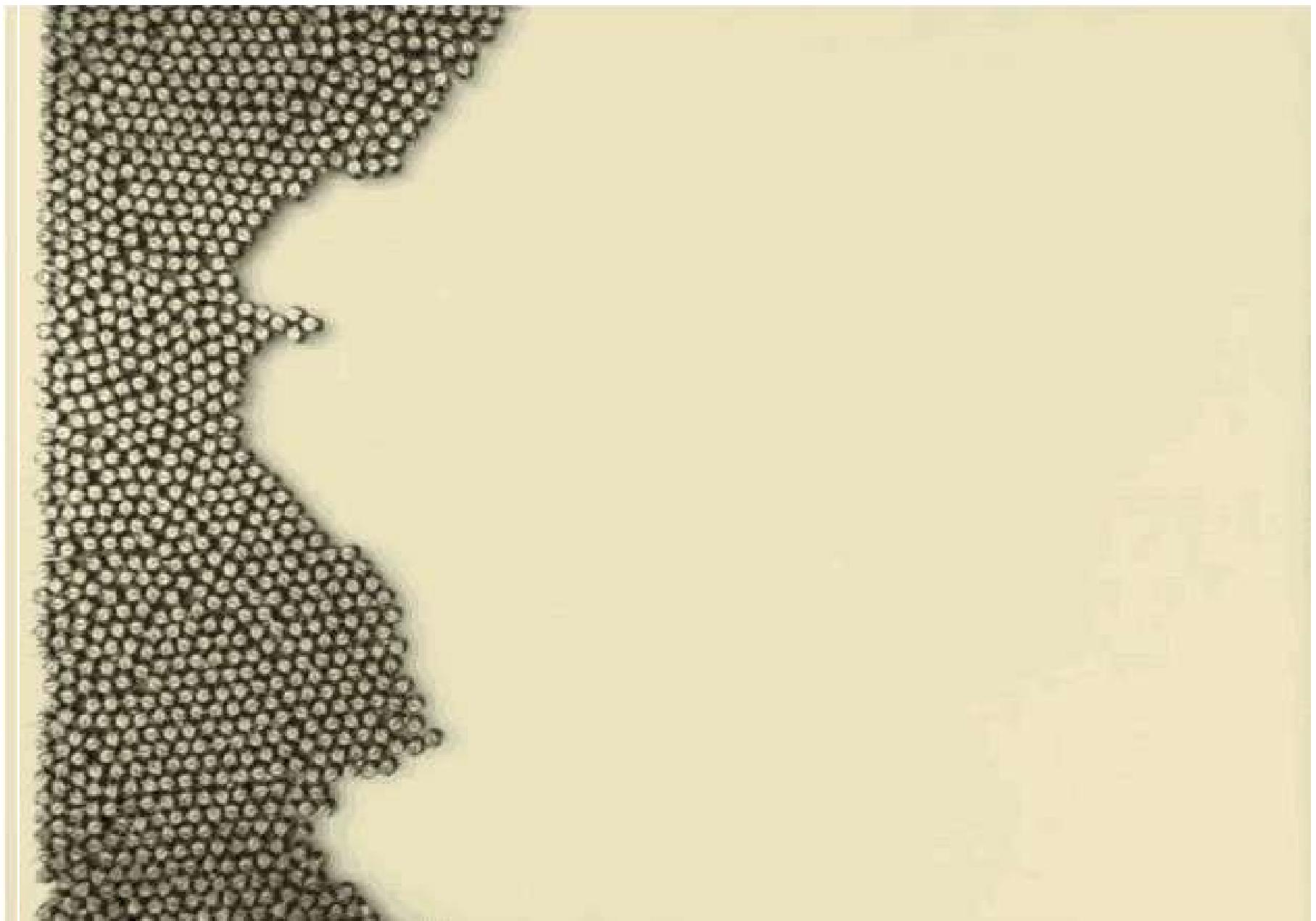
Posted on Twitter by Francisco Boni (@boni_bo)



Kilobots, Radhika Nagpal Self-organizing Systems group, Harvard



Me, playing with the toys during my Ph.D. at LORIA/Inria lab



Self-organizing kilobots forming a star shape, Nagpal lab



Semi bug (cicada), Chiyoda, Tokyo, Japan, 2018

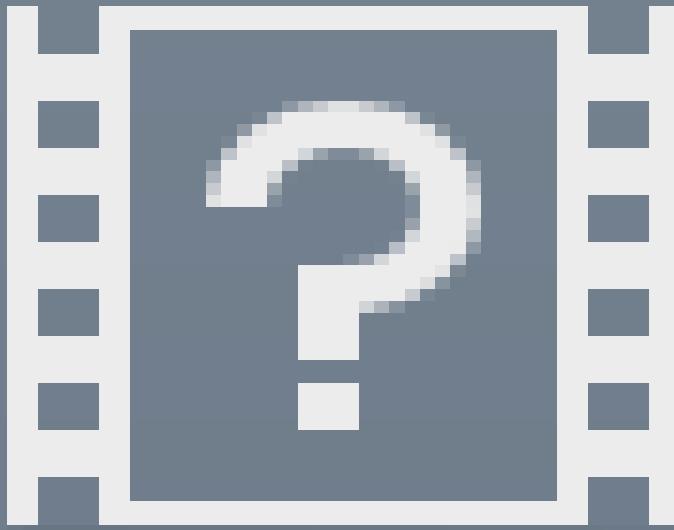


Dung beetles fighting (Wikimedia Commons)

Entonces...

¿qué es la Vida Artificial?

Algunos vídeos...



(not really Alife per se) Spot Robot, Boston Dynamics
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M8YjvHYbZ9w>



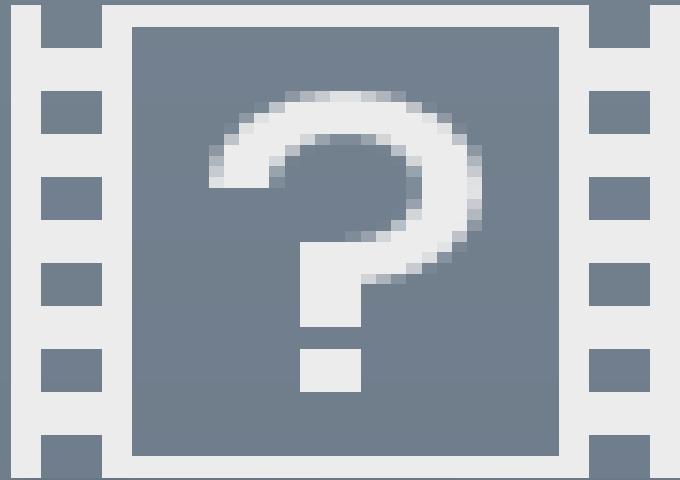
Maruyama, N., Hashimoto, Y., Motokane, Y., Saito, D., & Ikegami, T. (2017). Revisiting Classification of Large Scale Flocking. In SWARM 2017 (pp. 307–310)

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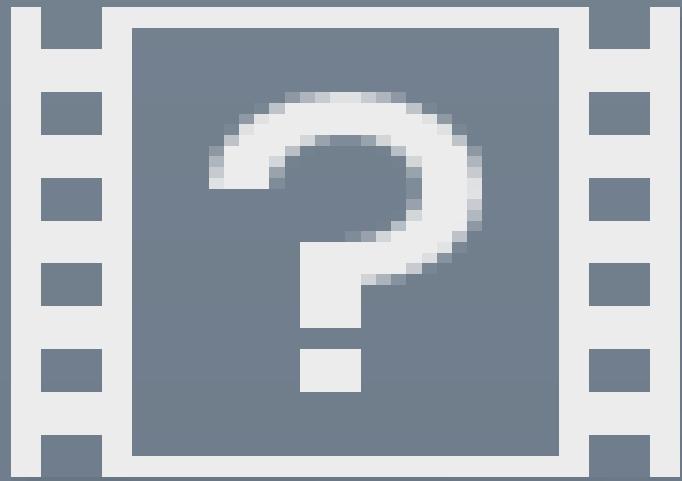
W. Noguchi, H. Iizuka, and M. Yamamoto, Adaptive Behavior 25.3 (2017): 129-146
Cognitive map self-organization from subjective visuomotor experiences in a hierarchical recurrent neural network

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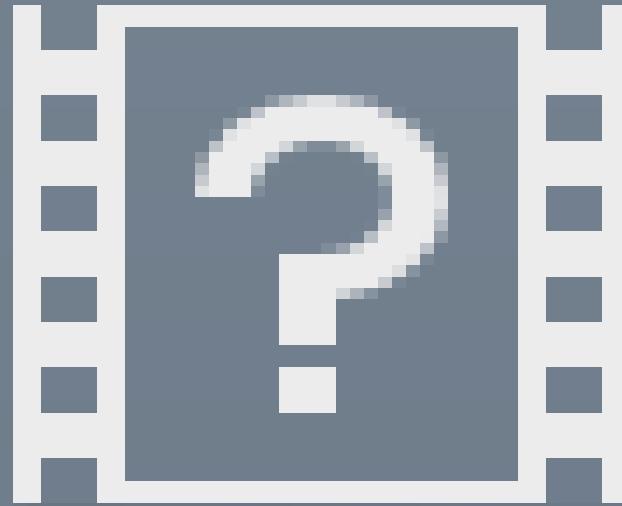




Autonomously Shaping Natural Climbing Plants: A Bio-hybrid Approach
M. Wahby, M. K. Heinrich, D. N. Hofstadler, E. Neufeld, I. Kuksin, P. Zahadat, T. Schmickl, P. Ayres, H. Hamann
Royal Society Open Science 2018 (under revision)
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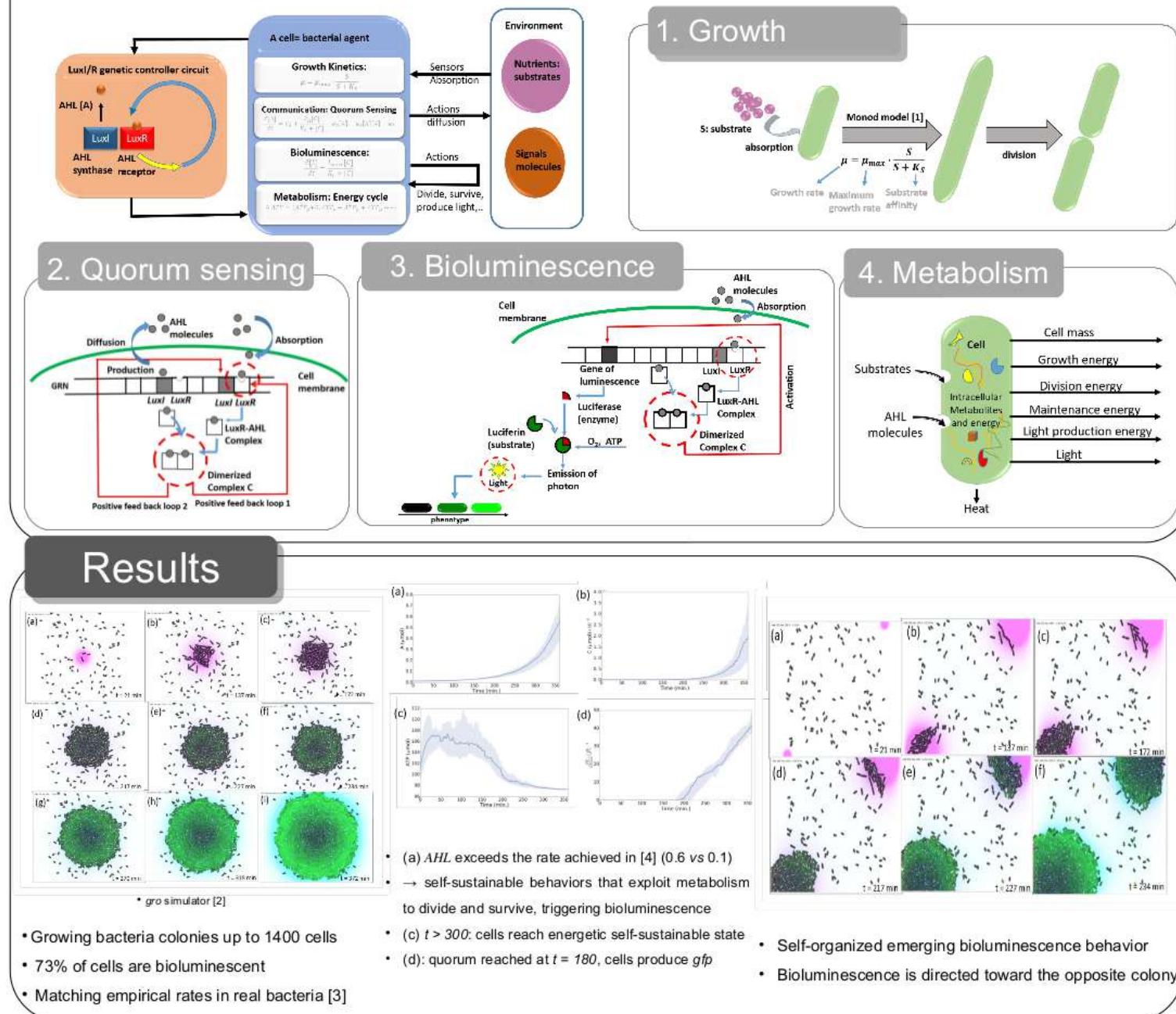


*subCULTron project - Cultural Development as a Tool in Underwater Robotics, T. Schmickl et al.
<http://www.subcultron.eu/>*
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*H. Haraldsen Roen, B. Bocquillon, S. Hoebeke, S. Nichele, K. Bergaust, H. Dahlsveen, H. Lieng
Emergence of Collective Intelligence: an Artificial Pheromone-Based Swarm Robotic System
The 3rd Open Fields Conference, RIXC Art Science Festival 2018 (IN PRESS)
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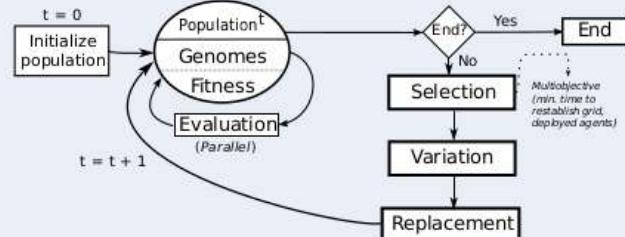
Computational agent-based model



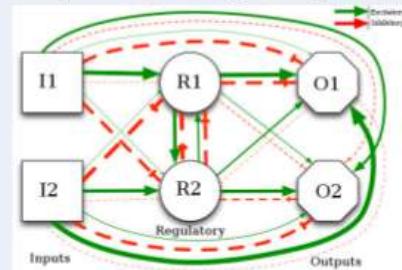
Simulation of Bioluminescent Bacteria Colonies Tweeting via Quorum-Sensing Molecules,
Djezzar, Fernández Pérez et al., late-breaking poster at Alife 2018



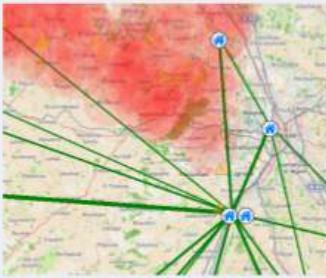
EA: blind variations + selection pressure



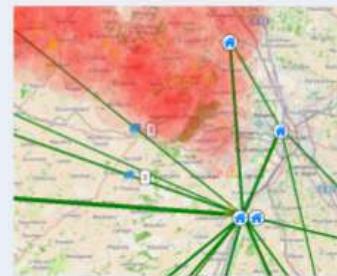
Example of Gene Regulatory Network



An storm approaches from the west
generating failures over the grid



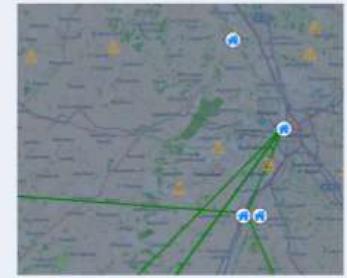
An evolved GRN controller reads the state of the system and decides the teams to allocate to the bases



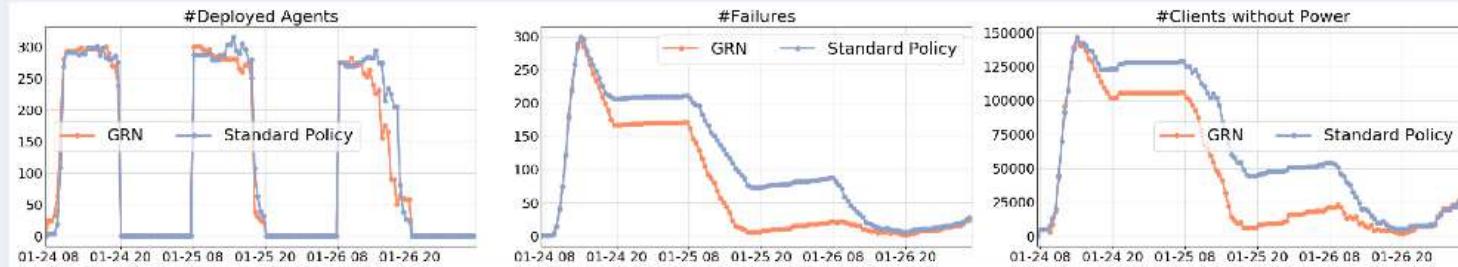
Teams are deployed and progressively repair the failures on the grid



The teams return to the bases at night,
with nearly every failure repaired



Evolved GRN controllers are able to repair failures and restore power faster while deploying slightly fewer teams than the standard policy typically used



Dynamic Resource Allocation using Evolving Gene Regulatory Networks, Fernández Pérez et al., late-breaking poster at Alife 2018

Learning Collaborative Foraging in a Swarm of Robots using Embodied Evolution

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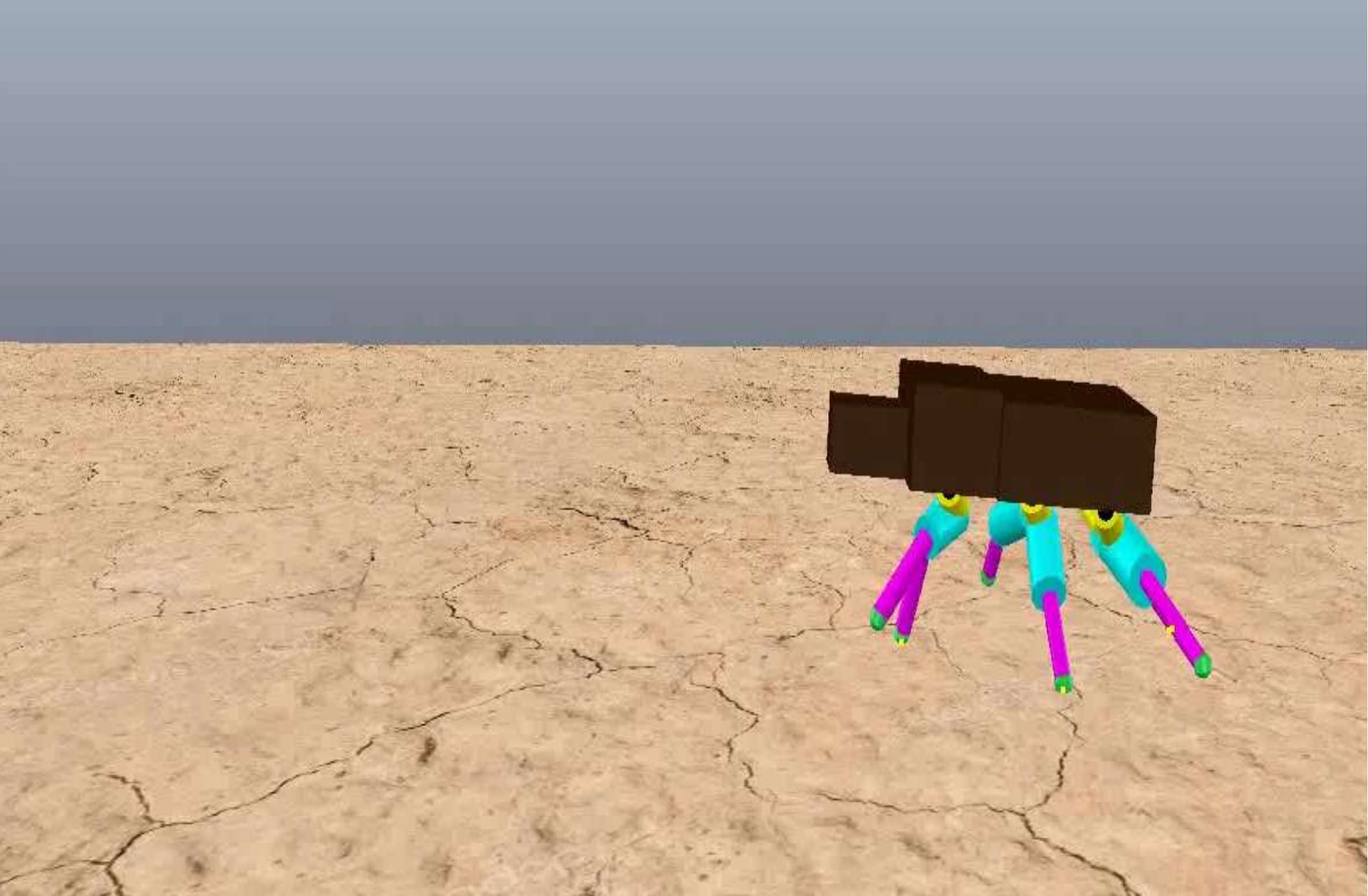


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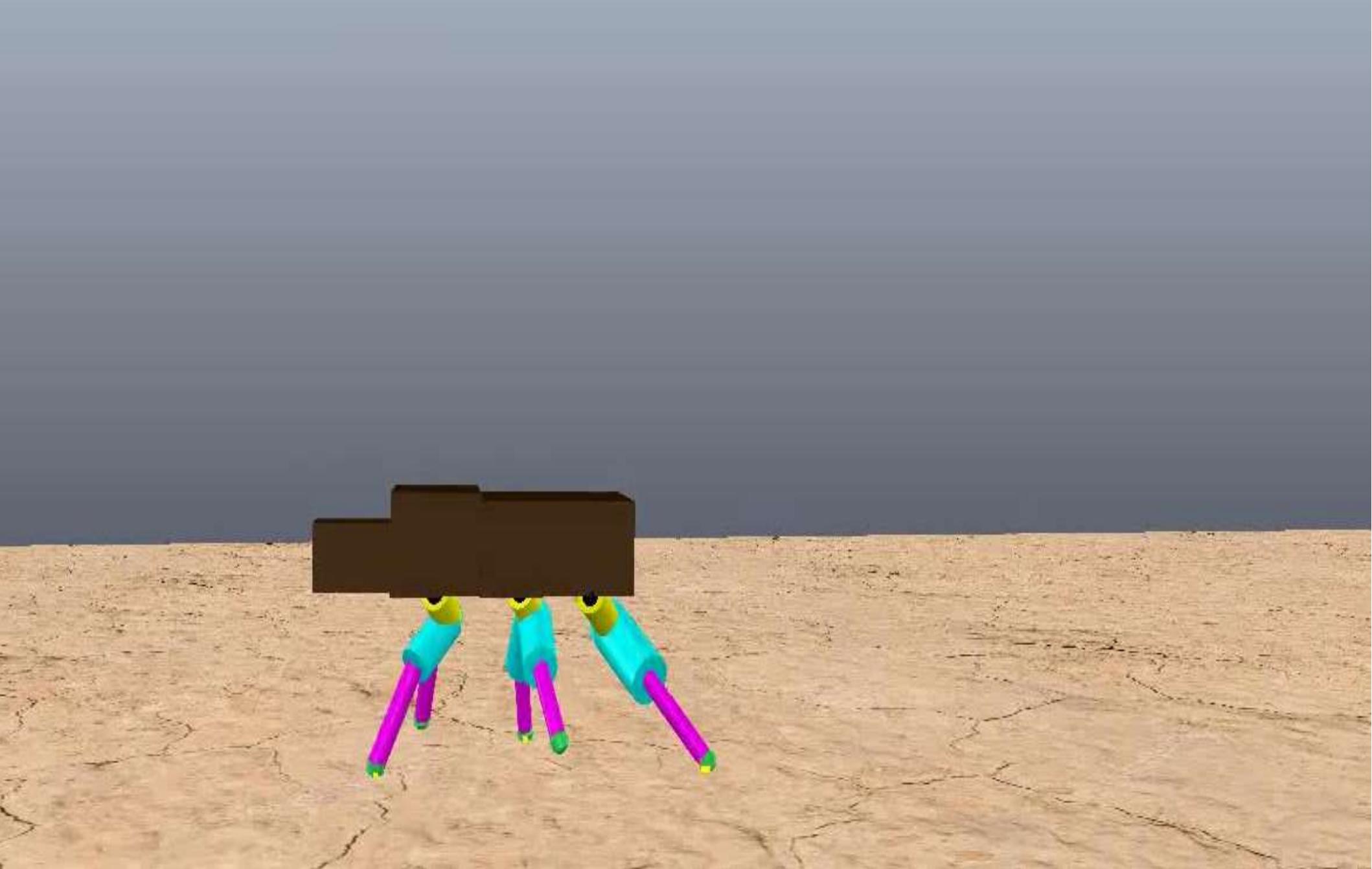


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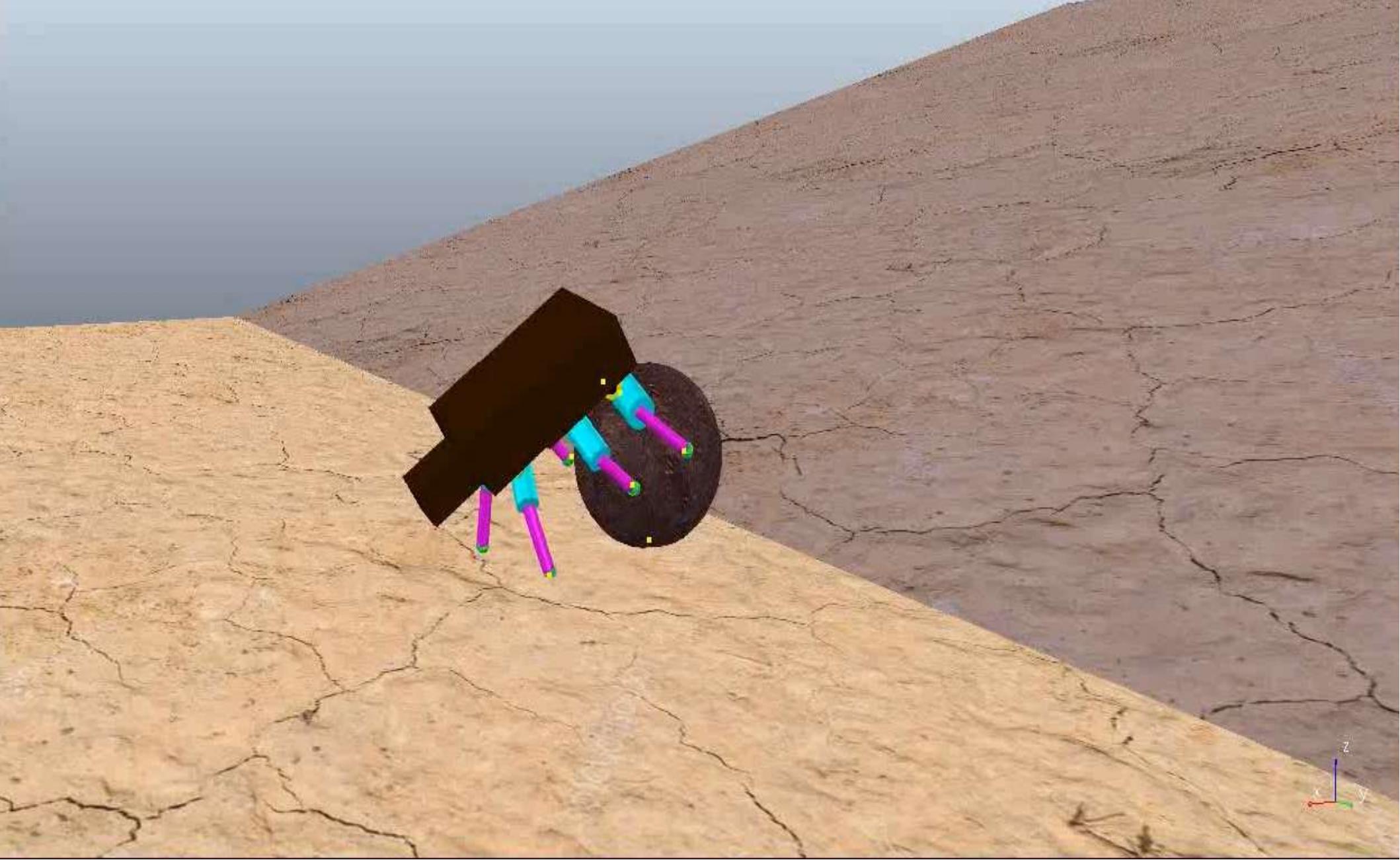
Binggwong Leung creating robots inspired by dung beetles: impressively innovating idea, and he managed to get several useful behaviors, such as roll a ball... And "a dung is a shit" ^^ #alife2018



Leung, B., Thor, M., & Manoonpong, P. (2018).
Modular Neural Control for Bio-Inspired Walking and Ball Rolling of a Dung Beetle-Like Robot.
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Computational Understanding of Mental Development

From Behavioral Learning to Language Acquisition



- A human child acquires many physical skills, concepts, and knowledge, including language, through physical and social interaction with his/her environment.
- How do we become able to communicate via symbols?
- We'd like to obtain an understanding of the **computational process** of mental development and language acquisition.

Constructive approach

Develop robotic and computational models to better understand the original

Symbol Emergence in Robotics



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"I've never installed any computer library in their head" Tadahiro Taniguchi about his children's language acquisition process  #alife2018

Tadahiro Taniguchi about Symbol Emergence at EVOSLACE workshop, Alife 2018

Ejemplos de ALife aplicada

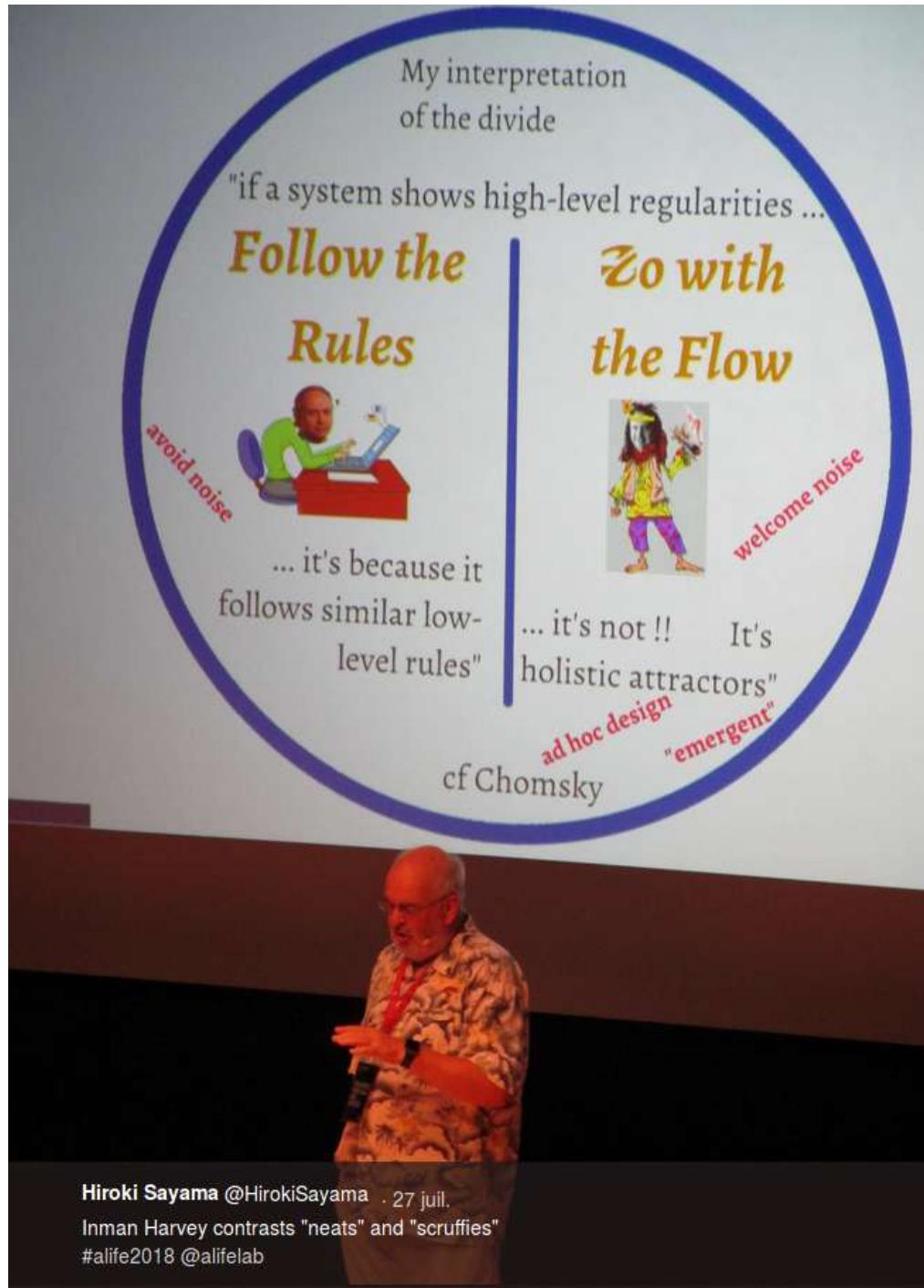
- Redes de neuronas (~1955-...), aprendizaje profundo (~2005-...)
 - Clasificación, identificación, decisión, regulación,....
- Diseño vía alg. genético (e.g. antena Hornby et. al)
 - Desplegada en 3 satélites NASA (2006)
- Otros alg. metaheurísticos de optimización
 - *Ant Colony Optimization, Artificial Immune Systems, Particle Swarm Optimization*
- Competición anual *HUMIES* en conferencia *GECCO*
 - Aplicaciones alg. genéticos con rendimiento a nivel humano
- Generación de escenas virtuales, modelización social, bioinformática,...





EXHIBITION VIEW AT THE MIRAIKAN, TOKYO - DIMENSIONS OF THE SET 135 x 70 x 12 cm

Art competition winner at Alife 2018, Tokyo, Japan: Thamesiology by Olivia Guigue



Inman Harvey's keynote at Alife2018: scruffy and neat approaches to Alife research
Tweet by @HirokiSayama



ALIFE 2018 @alifelab - 27 juil.

ALIFE 2018 has just finished!

We appreciate your support and cooperation!!!

#alife #ALife2018

2018.alife.org

Robótica en Enjambre



NO FLIPARSE



Lea detenidamente las noticias sobre inteligencia artificial



Las obras de ciencia ficción son obras de **FICCIÓN**

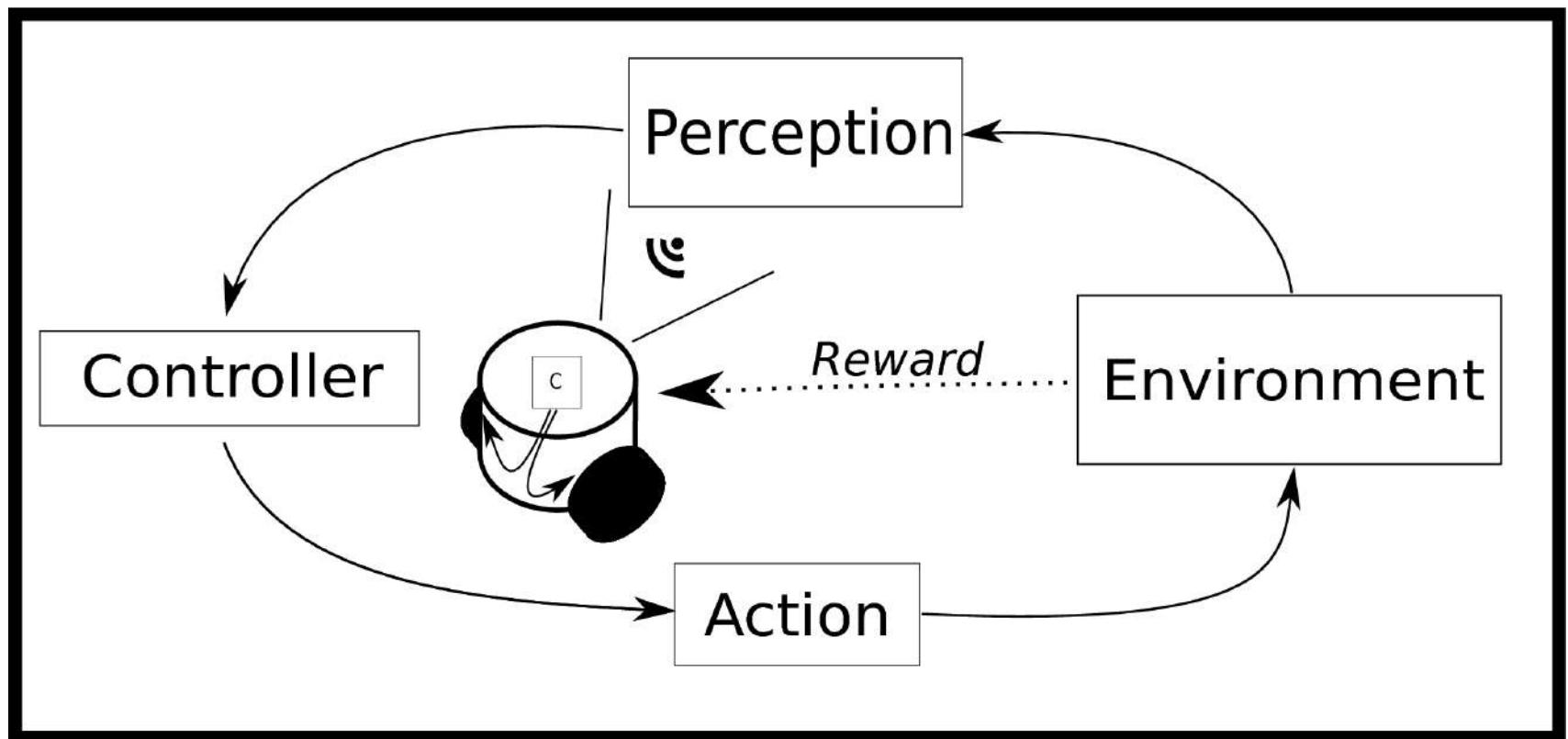


En caso de duda, consulte con su investigador de confianza

Robótica en Enjambre

- Sistemas colectivos y adaptativos de robots
- Comportamiento auto-organizado y distribuído
 - Sin elemento central / cuello de botella
- Propiedades emergentes globales
 - a partir de reglas simples e interacciones
- Sistemas robustos, escalables, flexibles,...
- ... pero difíciles de diseñar

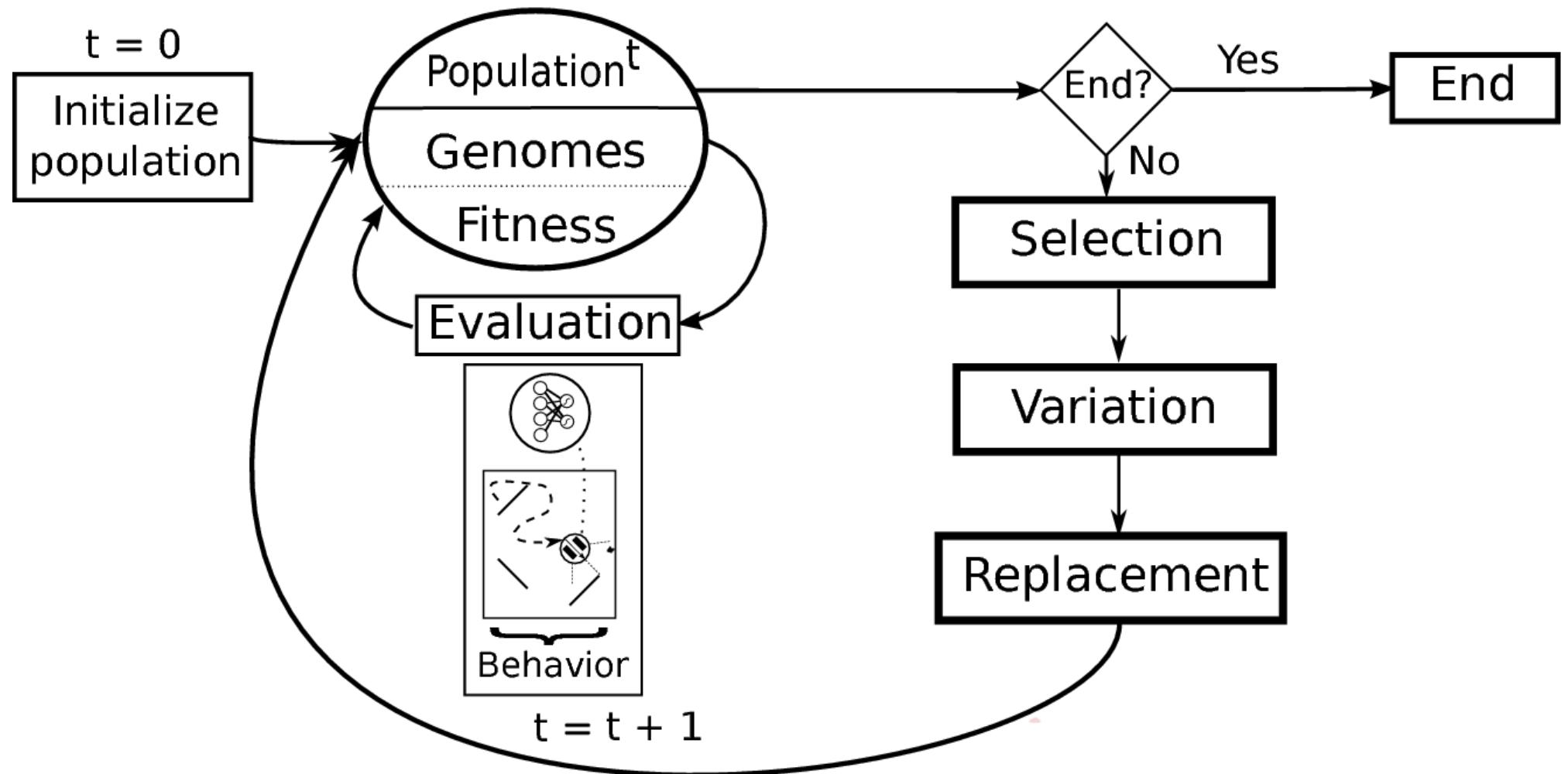
Bucle sensorimotor



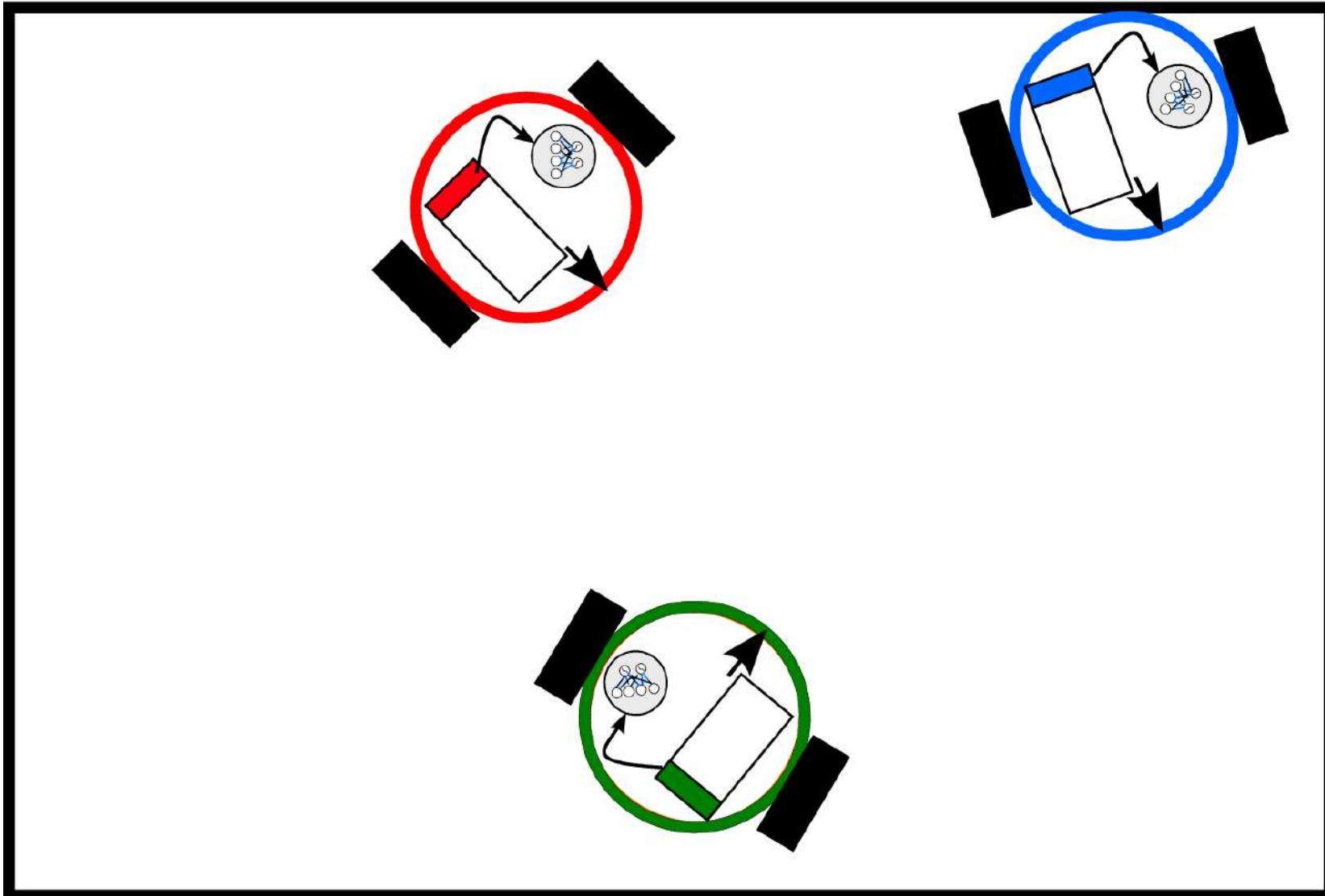
A simple reactive robotic agent and its sensorimotor loop



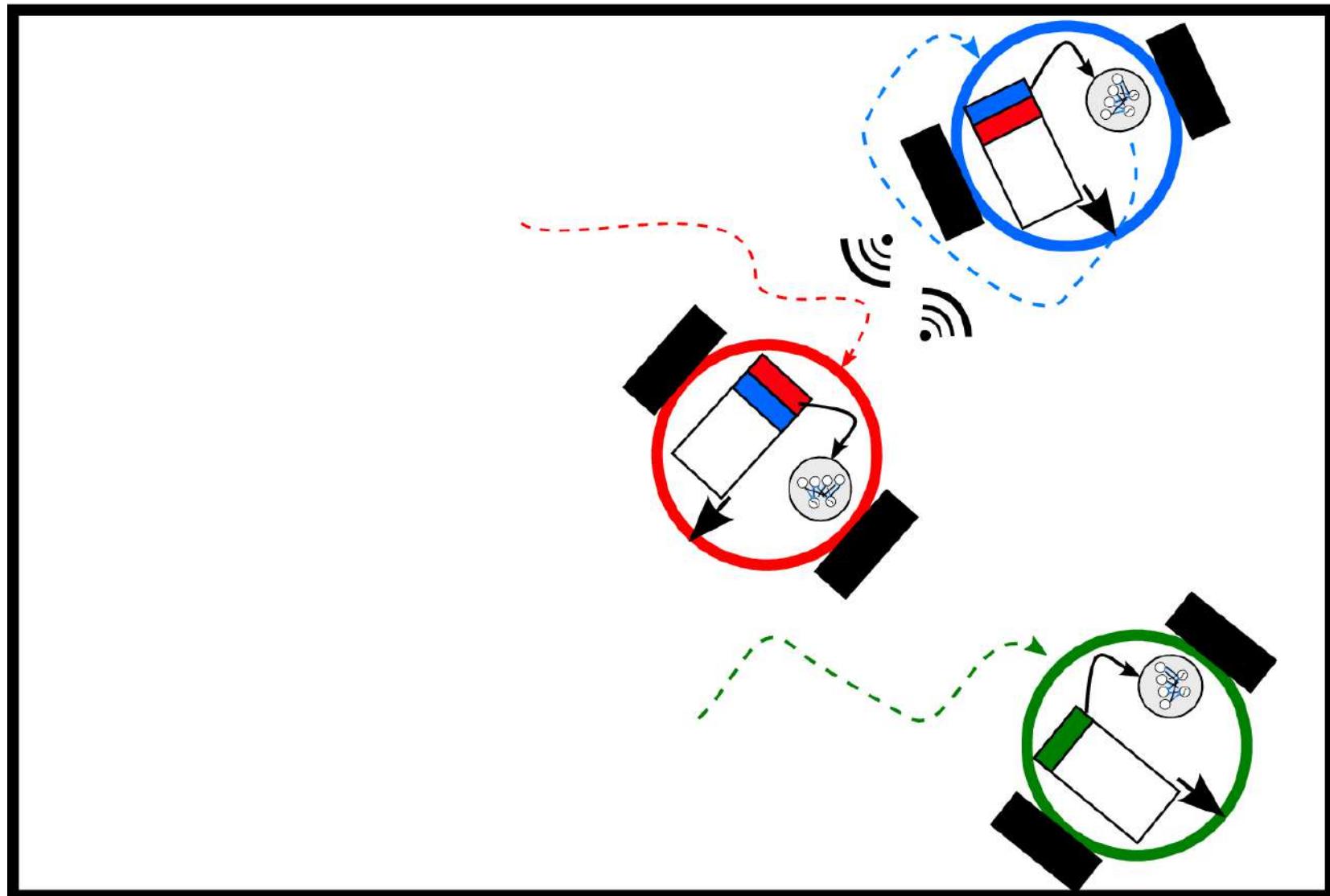
Evolutionary Algorithms



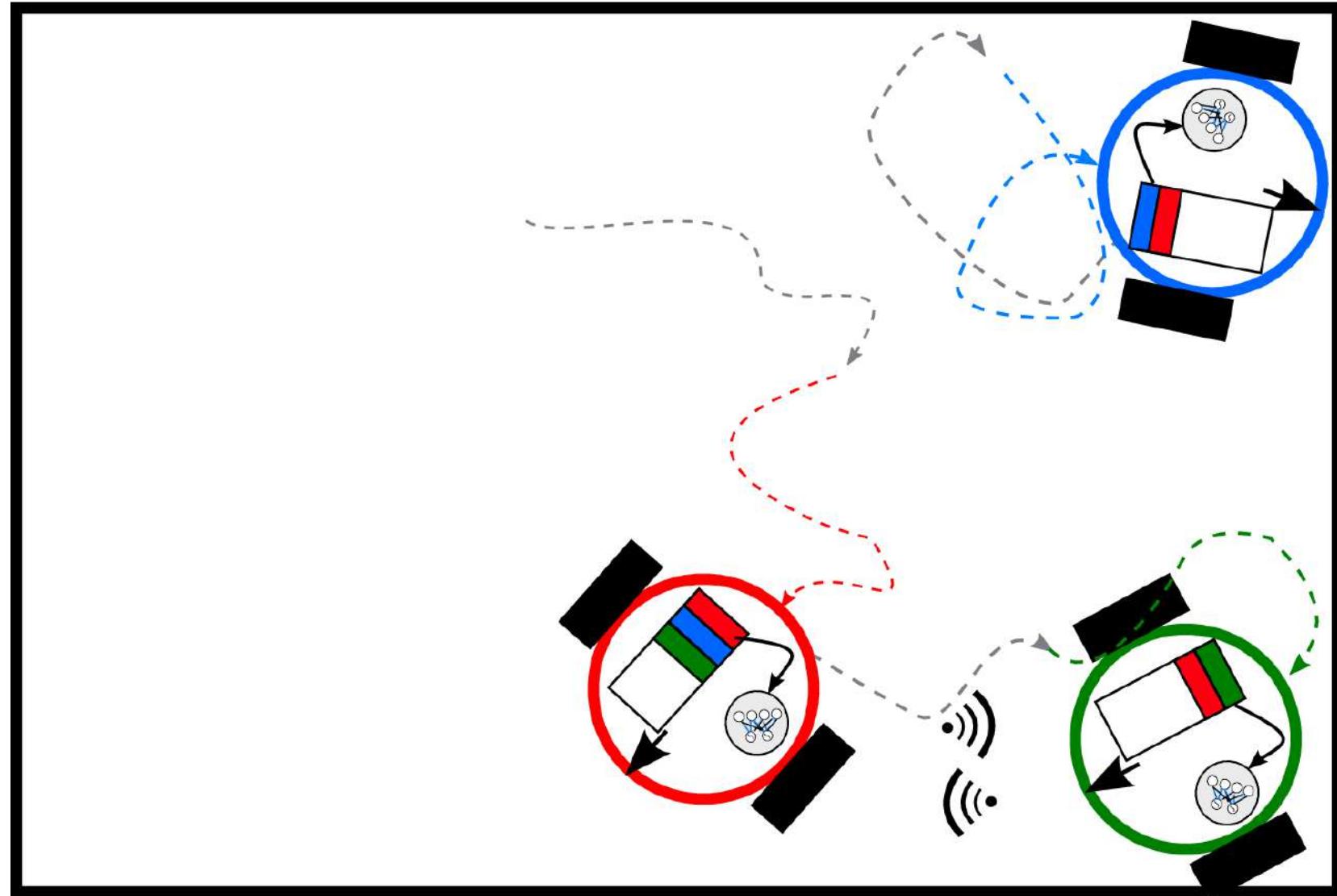
(Distributed) Embodied Evolution



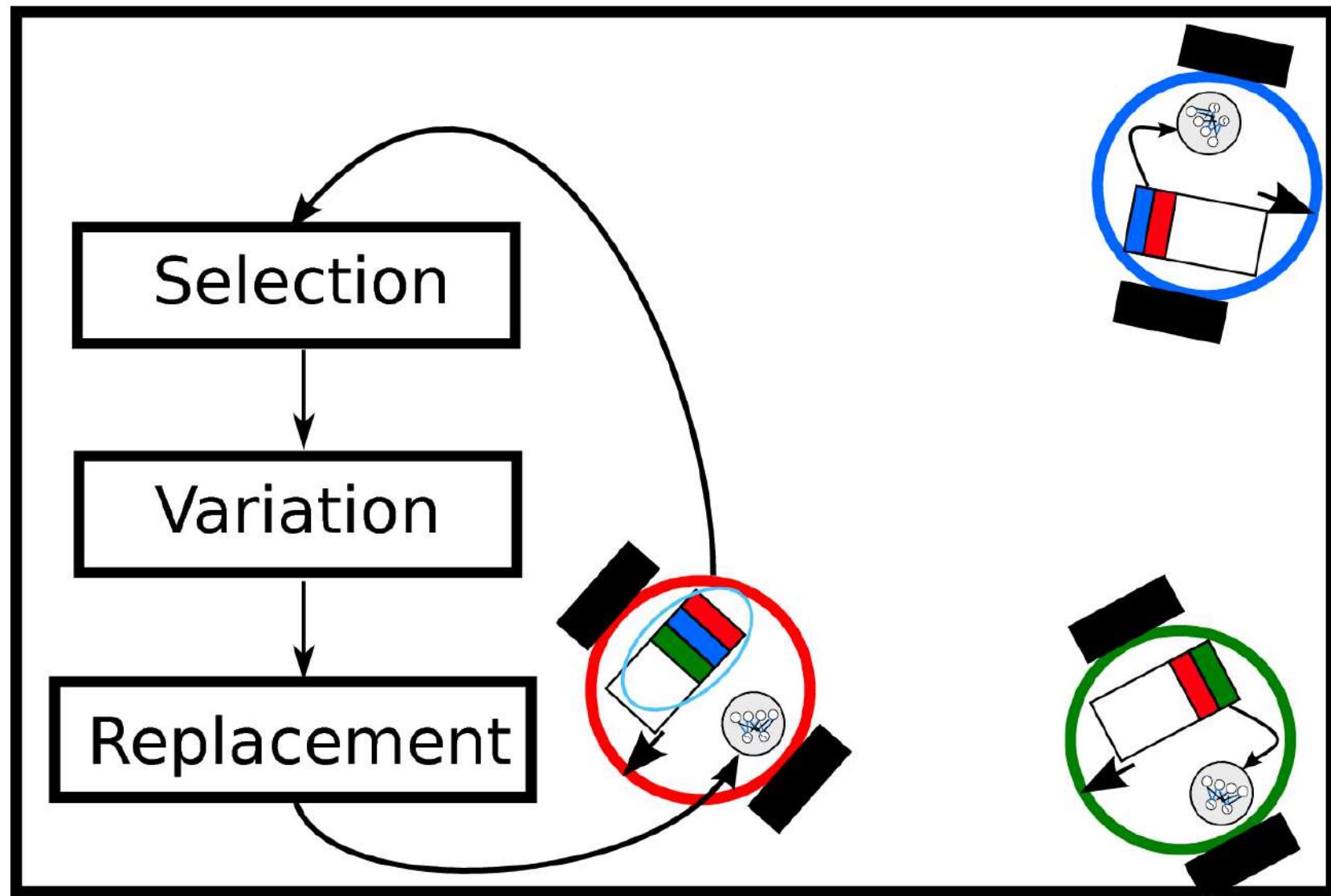
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Evolución de la Colaboración

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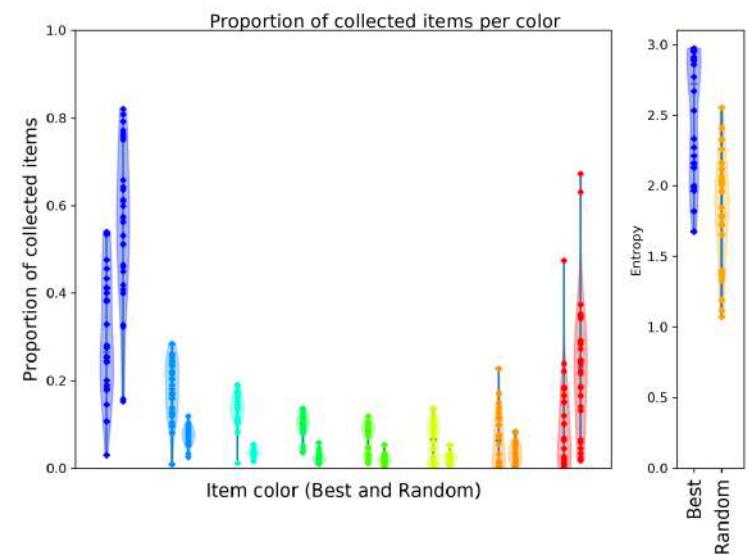
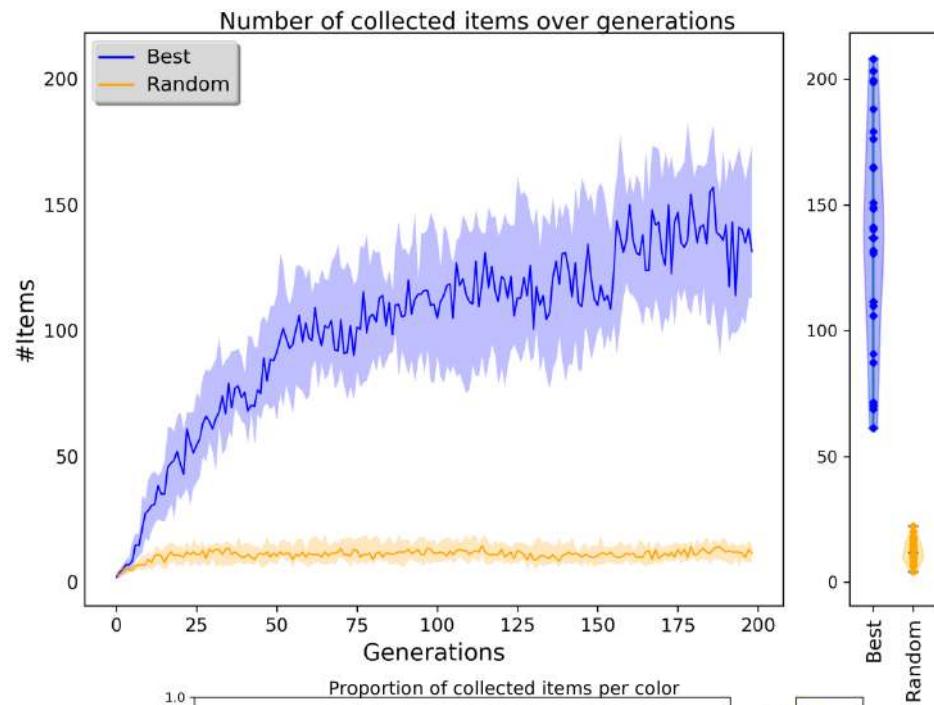
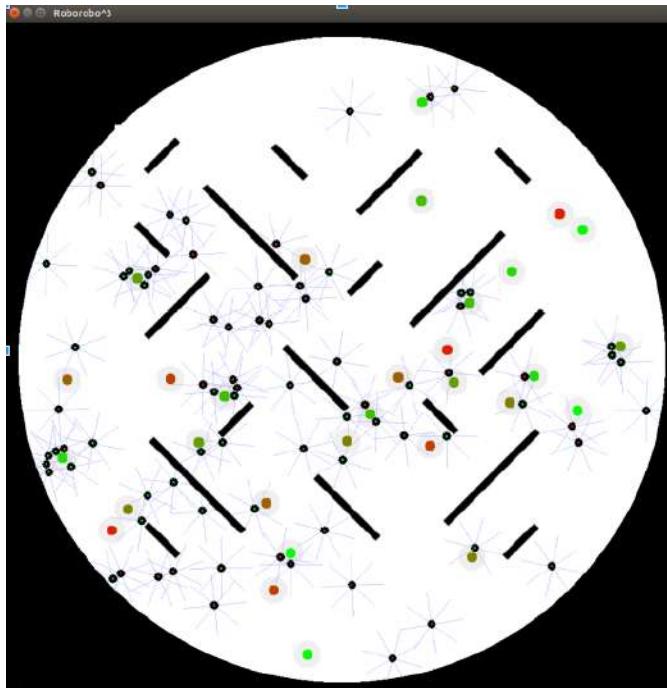
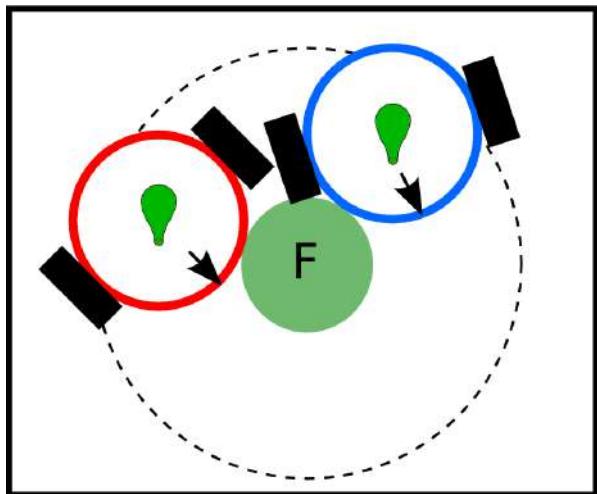
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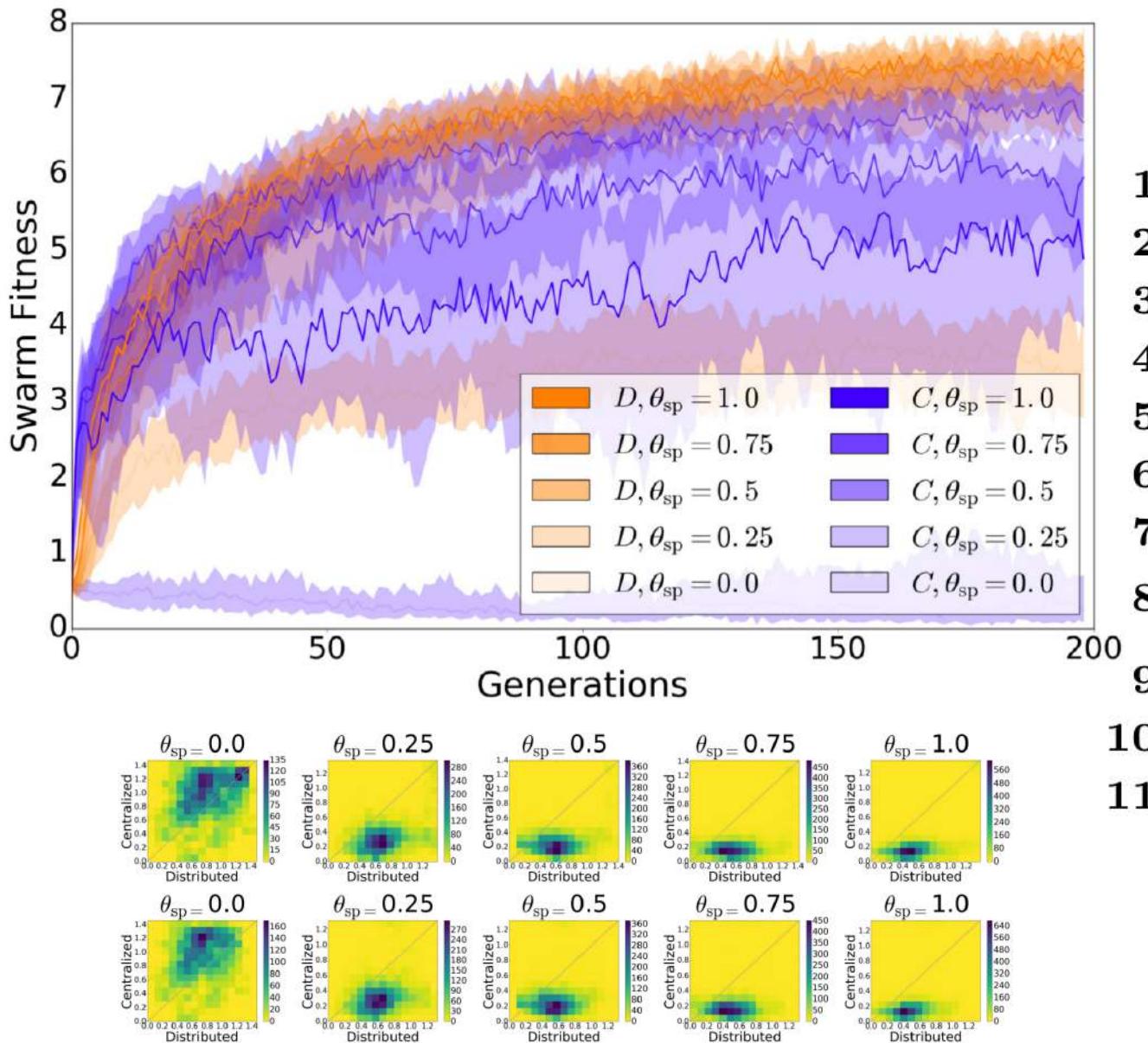
Evolución de la Colaboración



Mantener Diversidad sobre el Enjambre

- Diversidad → positiva para la adaptación
 - A entornos desconocidos, a cambios, a dif. tareas,...
- Algoritmo evolucionista centralizado vs. distribuído
 - O visto de otro modo:
 - 1) comunicación global
 - 2) larga distancia
 - 3) media distancia
 - 4) corta distancia
 - ¿Cuál mantiene más diversidad (útil),
mejorando la adaptación del enjambre?

Mantener Diversidad sobre el Enjambre



```
1  $g_a \leftarrow \text{random}()$ 
2 while true do
3    $l \leftarrow \emptyset, f \leftarrow 0$ 
4   for  $t \leftarrow 1$  to  $T_e$  do
5      $exec(g_a)$ 
6      $f \leftarrow \text{evaluate}()$ 
7      $broadcast(g_a, f)$ 
8      $l \leftarrow l \cup \text{listen}()$ 
9    $l \leftarrow l \cup \{(g_a, f)\}$ 
10   $selected \leftarrow \text{select}(l)$ 
11   $g_a \leftarrow \text{mutate}(selected)$ 
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Pero entonces...

¿qué es exactamente la Vida Artificial?

¿Una definición de la Vida Artificial?

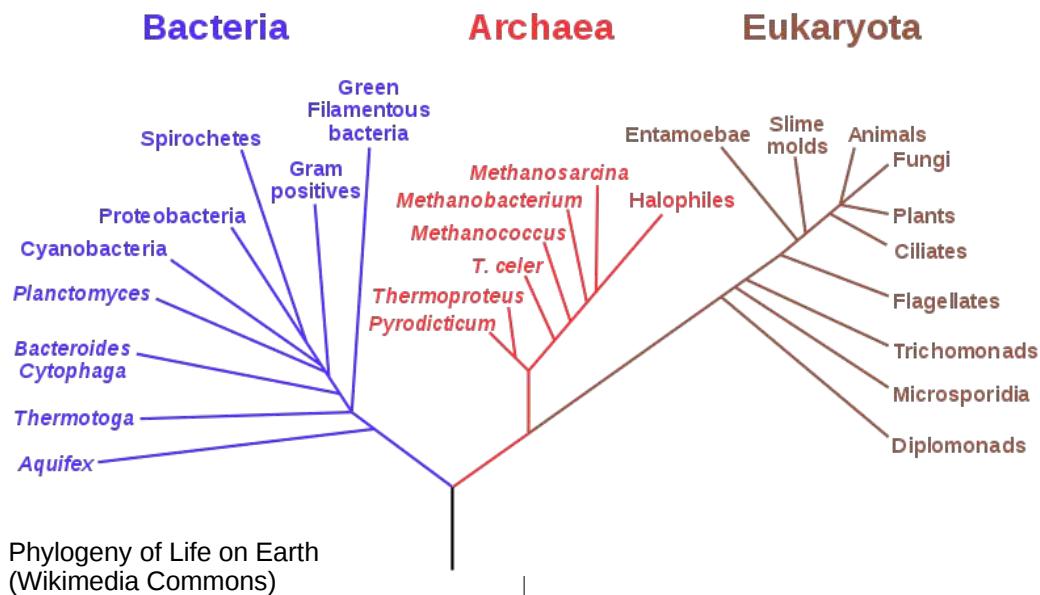
Artificial life is the study of artificial systems that exhibit behavior characteristic of natural living systems. It is the quest to explain life in any of its possible manifestations, without restriction to the particular examples that have evolved on earth. This includes biological and chemical experiments, computer simulations, and purely theoretical endeavors. Processes occurring on molecular, social, and evolutionary scales are subject to investigation.

The ultimate goal is to extract the **logical form of living systems**.

Christopher Langton, Artificial Life, 1989

Biología

Naturaleza



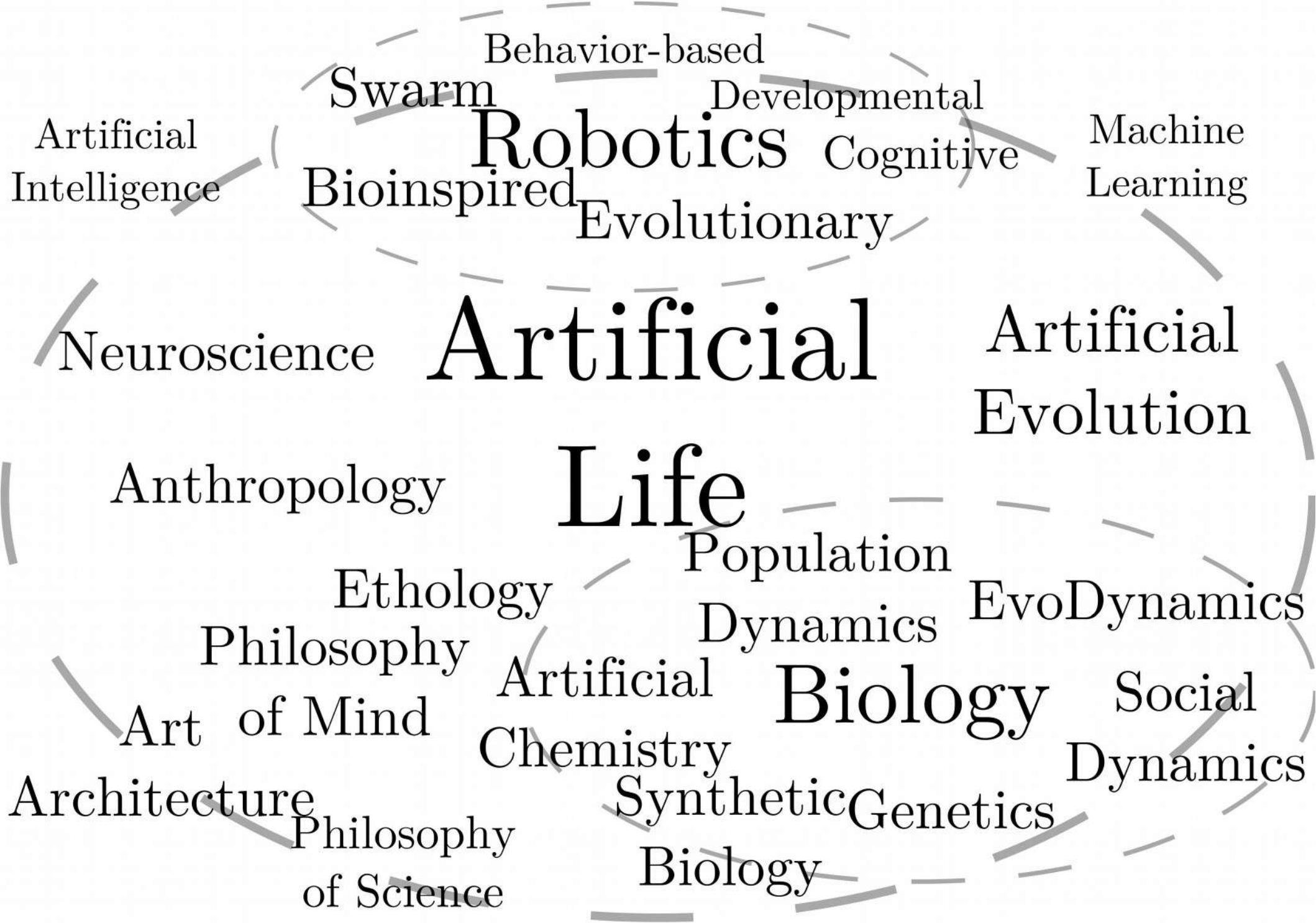
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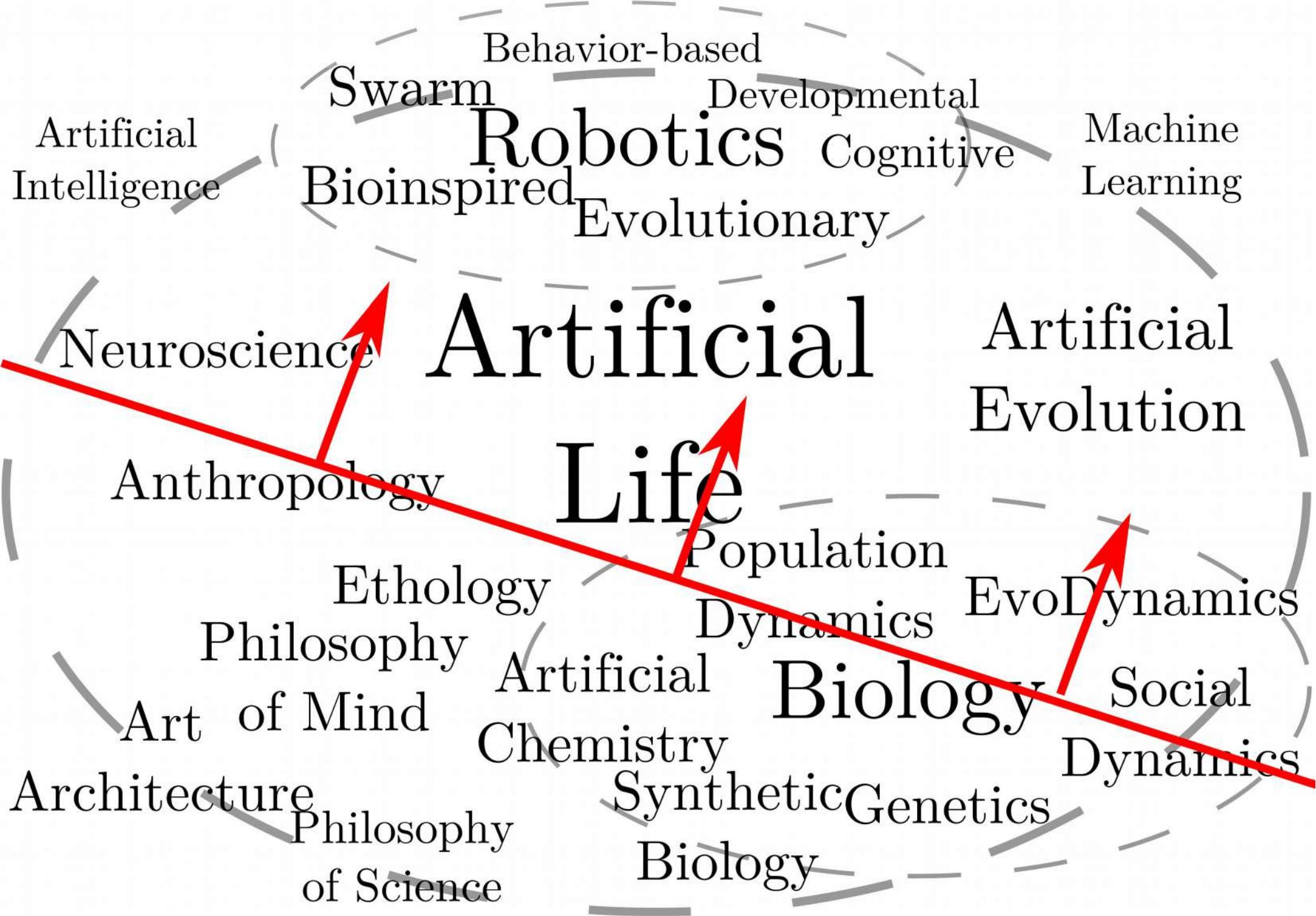
Ingeniería

Sistemas Artificiales



Postcard, Insil Choi,
Alife 2014





ALife: herramientas y métodos compartidos (y desarrollados) por la comunidad

- Estudio de sistemas (evo/devo, social, celular,...)
- *Soft, hard and wet Alife* (digital, robótico o biosintético)
- Herramientas estadísticas, matemáticas, de simulación,...
- Enfoques experimentales y analíticos, **método científico**

Disclaimer: esto lo digo yo, otros pueden tener una visión diferente



Alife references in drawing by staff member at closing ceremony of ECAL 2017, Lyon

La naturaleza está optimizada para la eficiencia

Sacar inspiración
hasta de debajo de
las piedras

E investigar el sujeto
de estudio de manera
rigurosa: método
científico

@ISALStudents and postdoc:

- Diversas actividades Alife: journal club, discusiones temáticas, colaboraciones, premio anual, eventos en conferencias, representante en el consejo de ISAL, intervenciones previstas en *Artificial Life journal*
- <http://isalstudents.org/>

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