

# A new flocking model through body attitude coordination

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from micro to social hydrodynamics

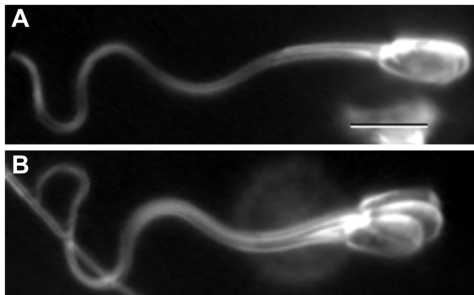
# Section 1

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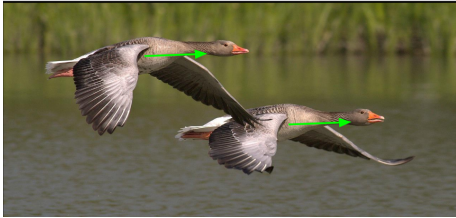


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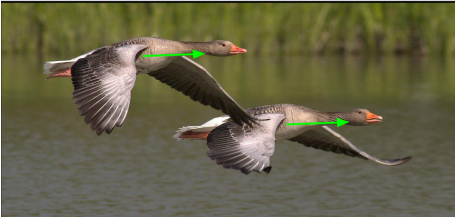
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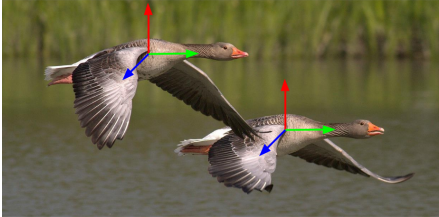


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(local equilibria)

[Jiang, Xiong, Zhang]

## Section 2

**New results: body attitude coordination**

## Derivation of the Individual Based Model

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## Mean-field limit

### Proposition (Formal)

When the number of agents in (2)-(3)  $N \rightarrow \infty$ , its corresponding empirical distribution

$$f^N(x, A, t) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \delta_{(X_k(t), A_k(t))}$$

converges weakly to  $f = f(x, A, t)$ ,  $(x, A, t) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times SO(3) \times [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$\partial_t f + v_0 A e_1 \cdot \nabla_x f = D \Delta_A f - \nabla_A \cdot (f F[f]) \quad (4)$$

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where  $PD(M[f])$  corresponds to the orthogonal matrix obtained on the Polar Decomposition of  $M[f]$ .

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$\Lambda = \Lambda(t, x) \in SO(3)$ ,  $\rho = \rho(t, x) \geq 0$ .

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By conservation of mass:

$$\partial_t \rho_\varepsilon + \nabla_x \cdot \underbrace{\int_{SO(3)} \mathbf{Ae}_1 f_\varepsilon dA}_{=: j[f_\varepsilon]} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon), \quad \rho_\varepsilon(t, x) := \int_{SO(3)} f_\varepsilon(x, A, t) dA$$

in the limit (formally)  $\rho_\varepsilon \rightarrow \rho$  (remember that  $f^\varepsilon \rightarrow \rho M_\Lambda$ )

$$j[f_\varepsilon] \rightarrow \rho \int_{SO(3)} \mathbf{Ae}_1 M_\Lambda(A) dA =: j$$

by the consistency relation, we have that

$$j = \rho c_1 \Lambda \mathbf{e}_1.$$

Conclude:

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Equation for  $\Lambda$ ? By the consistency relation:

$$\int_{SO(3)} A M_\Lambda(A) dA = c_1 \Lambda$$

but the 'momentum' is not conserved!

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \int_{SO(3)} A Q(f^\varepsilon)(A) dA \neq 0$$

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## Definition (Generalised Collision Invariant)

For a given  $\Lambda_0 \in SO(3)$  we say that a real-valued function  $\psi : SO(3) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a Generalised Collision Invariant associated to  $\Lambda_0$ ,  $\psi \in GCI(\Lambda_0)$  for short, if

$$\int_{SO(3)} Q(f, \Lambda_0) \psi \, dA = 0 \quad \text{for all } f \text{ s.t. } P_{T\Lambda_0}(\lambda[f]) = 0.$$

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**Reference:** Ning Jiang, Linjie Xiong, Teng-Fei Zhang, *Hydrodynamic limits of the kinetic self-organized models*;

**Existence of the GCI:** Lax-Milgram;

**Computation of the GCI:** differential geometry in  $SO(3)$



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Let  $\bar{\psi}(B) := \psi(\Lambda B)$ . Then  $\bar{\psi}$  satisfies

$$\nabla_B \cdot (M_{\text{Id}} \nabla_B \bar{\psi}) = P \cdot B M_{\text{Id}}, \quad P \in \mathcal{A}. \quad (8)$$

## Proposition (Non-constant GCI)

Let  $P \in \mathcal{A}$ , then the unique solution  $\bar{\psi} \in H_0^1(SO(3))$  of (8) is given by

$$\bar{\psi}(B) = P \cdot B \bar{\psi}_0(\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(B)). \quad (9)$$

Going back to the GCI  $\psi(A)$ , we can write it as

$$\psi(A) = P \cdot (\Lambda^T A) \bar{\psi}_0(\Lambda \cdot A) \quad (10)$$

where  $\bar{\psi}_0$  is constructed as follows: Let  $\tilde{\psi}_0 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the unique solution to

$$\frac{1}{\sin^2(\theta/2)} \partial_\theta \left( \sin^2(\theta/2) m(\theta) \partial_\theta \left( \sin \theta \tilde{\psi}_0 \right) \right) - \frac{m(\theta) \sin \theta}{2 \sin^2 \theta/2} \tilde{\psi}_0 = \sin \theta m(\theta) \quad (11)$$

where  $m(\theta) = M_{\text{Id}}(B) = \exp(d^{-1} \sigma(\frac{1}{2} + \cos \theta)) / Z$ .

Then  $\tilde{\psi}_0(\theta) = \bar{\psi}_0(\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(B))$  by the relation  $\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(B) = \frac{1}{2} + \cos \theta$ .  $\tilde{\psi}_0$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic, even and negative.

## Back to the limit

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With GCI  $\psi_\Lambda^P(A) = (P \cdot \Lambda^T A) \psi_0(\Lambda \cdot A)$  for any  $P$  antisymmetric:

$$\int_{SO(3)} [\partial_t(\rho M_\Lambda) + \mathbf{Ae}_1 \cdot \nabla_x(\rho M_\Lambda)] [P \cdot \Lambda^T A] \psi_0(\Lambda \cdot A) dA = 0 \text{ for all } P \in \mathcal{A}$$

therefore

$$X := \int_{SO(3)} [\partial_t(\rho M_\Lambda) + \mathbf{Ae}_1 \cdot \nabla_x(\rho M_\Lambda)] (\Lambda^T A - A^T \Lambda) \psi_0(\Lambda \cdot A) dA = 0.$$

since

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{P} \oplus \mathcal{S}$$

$\mathcal{P}$ : antisymmetric matrices,  $\mathcal{S}$ , symmetric matrices.

Compute the value of each term.

## The macroscopic equations

### Theorem ((Formal) macroscopic limit)

When  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  in the kinetic equation it holds that

$$f_\varepsilon \rightarrow f = f(x, A, t) = \rho M_\Lambda(A), \quad \Lambda = \Lambda(t, x) \in SO(3), \rho = \rho(t, x) \geq 0.$$

Consider the orthogonal basis  $\{\Lambda \mathbf{e}_1 =: \Omega, \Lambda \mathbf{e}_2 =: \mathbf{u}, \Lambda \mathbf{e}_3 =: \mathbf{v}\}$ , where  $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$  is the canonical basis. The equation for  $\Lambda$  expressed as the evolution of this basis is

$$\rho D_t \Omega + P_{\Omega^\perp} (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) = 0, \quad (12)$$

$$\rho D_t \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} \cdot (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) \Omega + c_4 \rho \delta \mathbf{v} = 0, \quad (13)$$

$$\rho D_t \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \cdot (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) \Omega - c_4 \rho \delta \mathbf{u} = 0, \quad (14)$$

$$\text{where } D_t := \partial_t + c_2 (\Omega \cdot \nabla_x), \quad (15)$$

$$\delta := [(\Omega \cdot \nabla_x) \mathbf{u}] \cdot \mathbf{v} + [(\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla_x) \mathbf{v}] \cdot \Omega + [(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla_x) \Omega] \cdot \mathbf{u}, \quad (16)$$

$$\mathbf{r} := (\nabla_x \cdot \Omega) \Omega + (\nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{u}) \mathbf{u} + (\nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{v}. \quad (17)$$

### Proposition (Properties of $\delta$ and $\mathbf{r}$ )

Let  $\Lambda = \Lambda(x) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow SO(3)$  be a function taking values on  $SO(3)$ . It holds that

$$\delta_\Lambda = \delta_{\Lambda A} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{r}_\Lambda = \mathbf{r}_{\Lambda A} \quad \text{for any } A \in SO(3). \quad (18)$$

where  $\delta_\Lambda$  and  $\mathbf{r}_\Lambda$  correspond to the expressions in (16) and (17), respectively.

Suppose now that  $\Lambda = \Lambda(x) = \exp([\mathbf{b}(x)]_\times) \Lambda(x_0)$  where  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}(x) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a smooth function around a fixed  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  where  $\mathbf{b}(x_0) = 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\Lambda(x_0) &= (\nabla_x \cdot \mathbf{b})(x_0), \\ \mathbf{r}_\Lambda(x_0) &= (\nabla_x \times \mathbf{b})(x_0). \end{aligned}$$

## Future work

- Simulations; new modelling using quaternions: joint with Pierre Degond (Imperial College London), Amic Frouvelle (Université Paris Dauphine) and Ariane Trescases (University of Cambridge).
- Study emergent structures. Compare them with the ones appearing in the Vicsek model (sperm dynamics).
- Some preliminary results: Maciek Biskupiak's video.

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# Summary: body attitude coordination

## Equations at different scales

### Individual Based Model

$$(X_i(t), A_i(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \times SO(3), i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$\begin{cases} dX_i = v_0 A_i \mathbf{e}_1 dt, & v_0 > 0 \\ dA_i = P_{T_{A_i}} \circ \left( \nu PD(M_k) dt + 2\sqrt{D} dW_t^i \right) \\ M_i(t) := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N K(\|\mathbf{X}_k(t) - \mathbf{X}_i(t)\|) A_k(t). \end{cases}$$

### Fokker-Planck type equation $f = f(t, x, A)$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t f^\varepsilon + c\omega \cdot \nabla_x f^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \nabla_A \cdot \left( M_{\Lambda[f]} \nabla_A \frac{f^\varepsilon}{M_{\Lambda[f]}} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\ M_{\Lambda}(A) \sim \exp\left(\frac{\nu}{D} A \cdot \Lambda\right) \text{ (von-Mises eq. } SO(3)) \\ \Lambda^\varepsilon[f] \sim \int_{SO(3)} A' f^\varepsilon(t, x, A') dA' \end{cases}$$

### Macroscopic eq. $\rho = \rho(t, x), \Lambda = \Lambda(t, x)$

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho + \nabla_x \cdot (c_1 \rho \Lambda \mathbf{e}_1) = 0, \\ \rho D_t \Omega + P_{\Omega^\perp} (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) = 0, \\ \rho D_t \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u} \cdot (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) \Omega + c_4 \rho \delta \mathbf{v} = 0, \\ \rho D_t \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \cdot (c_3 \nabla_x \rho + c_4 \rho \mathbf{r}) \Omega - c_4 \rho \delta \mathbf{u} = 0, \end{cases}$$

## Relations

$$f_t^N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{X_i(t), A_i(t)}$$

(empirical distribution)

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$f^\varepsilon = f^\varepsilon(t, x, v)$$

$$\rho^\varepsilon = \int f^\varepsilon dv \rightarrow \rho$$

**NON conserved quant.**

Consistency relation:

$$\int A' f^\varepsilon dA' = c_1 \Lambda^\varepsilon \rightarrow \Lambda$$

$$\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

$$f^\varepsilon \rightarrow f = \rho(t, x) M_{\Lambda}(A)$$