

Flocking and synchronization of particle models

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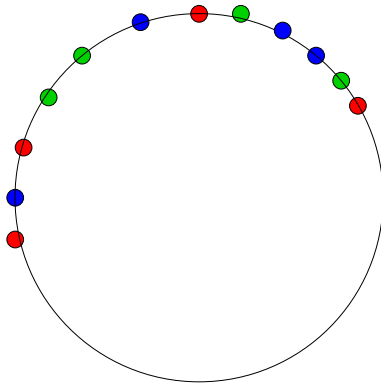
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Phase Descriptions for Synchronization

Phase descriptions for synchronization: Winfree (1967), Kuramoto (1975), ...



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Frequency Synchronization

Theorem (Frequency synchronization)

Suppose the standard deviations of initial configuration $\sigma_\theta(0)$ and $\sigma_\omega(0)$ satisfy

$$\sigma_\theta(0) < \frac{\pi}{16\sqrt{N}}, \quad \sigma_\omega(0) < \frac{\lambda\pi}{16\sqrt{2N}}.$$

Then we have

$$(i) \quad \sigma_\omega(t) \leq \sigma_\omega(0) e^{-\frac{\lambda t}{\sqrt{2}}}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

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1-d Mechanical Derivation

Connection³ between Cucker-Smale and singularly perturbed oscillator chain system **in one dimension**:

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New Multi- d Model

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where $r_{ij} = |x_j - x_i|$ and

$$\psi_1(r) = \frac{\varphi'(r)}{r} \geq 0, \quad \psi_2(r) = \frac{1}{r} \left(\frac{\varphi'(r)}{r} \right)' = \frac{1}{r} \psi_1'(r) \geq 0.$$

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Momentum and Energy Dissipation Estimates

Lemma

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Corollary

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be sufficiently small. Then for any small positive time t_1 and a given $T_ > t_1$, there exists a positive constant C such that perturbed solution $(x_i^\varepsilon, v_i^\varepsilon)$ satisfy*

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Here $(x_i^0(0), v_i^0(0))$ is the initial datum corresponding to unperturbed solution $(x_i^0(t), v_i^0(t))$, and the constant C depends only on the initial datum of the unperturbed solution.

THANK YOU!!!