



# Integrating GNN and Neural ODEs for Estimating Non-Reciprocal Two-Body Interactions in Mixed-Species Collective Motion

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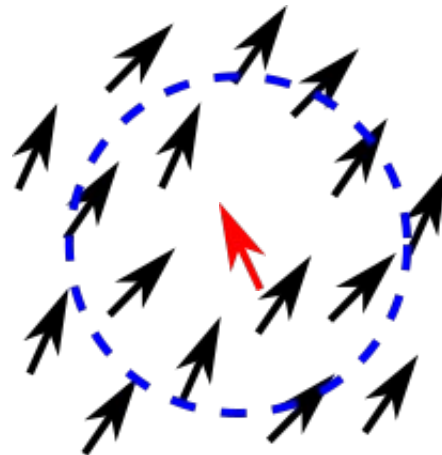
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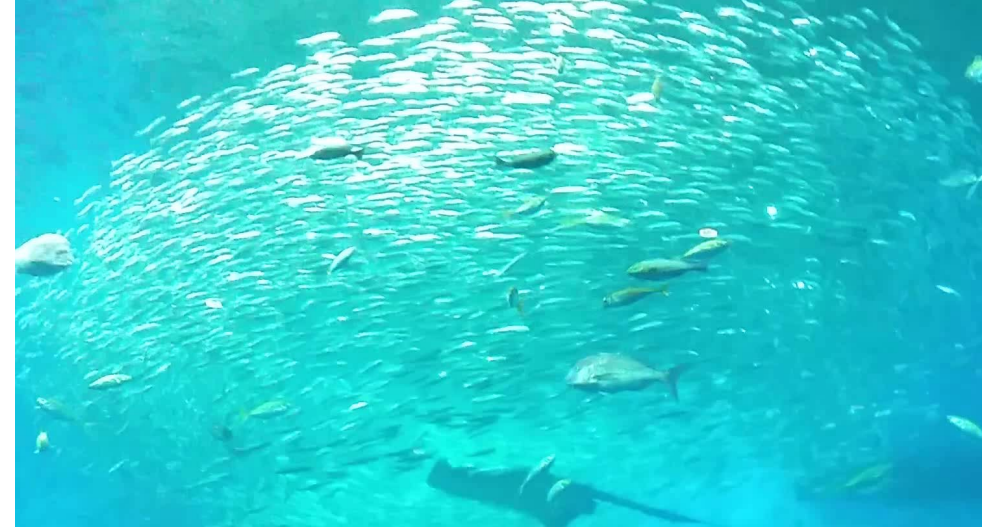
# Collective motion of active matter

- **Active matter:**  
Can self-propel by consuming energy in environment
- **Collective motion:**  
Group of active matter entities shows self-organized behavior through interaction
- In active matter physics, collective motion is often modeled by position and polarity of entities

Vicsek, T. *et al.* *PRL* (1995).



Fish School



Bird Flock



Cavagna, A. *et al.* *PNAS* (2010).

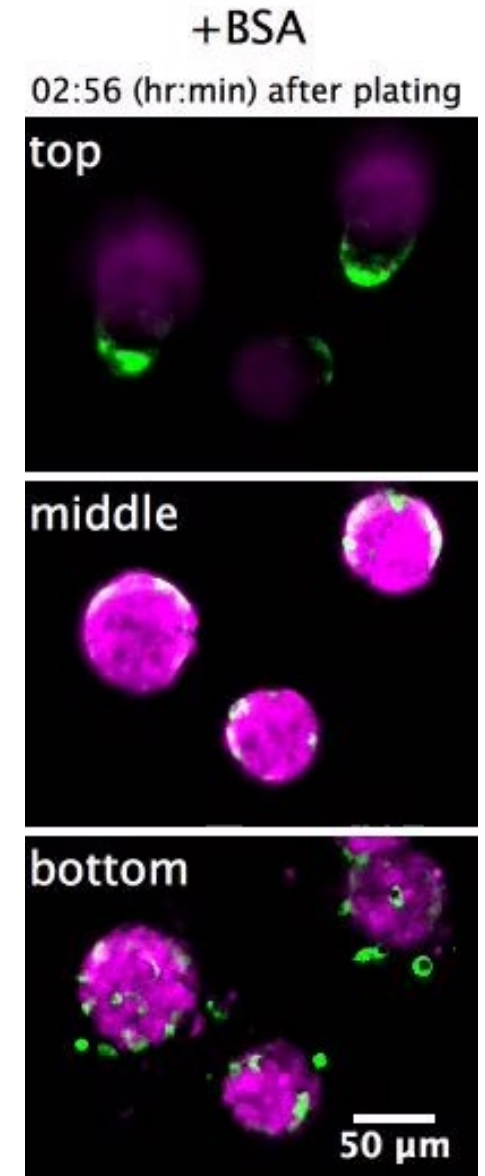
# Non-reciprocal mixed-species collective motion

- **Mixed-species:**  
Morphogenesis requires variable cell types to make different organs
- **Non-reciprocal:**  
Interactions can affect internal states such as polarity  
→ can be non-reciprocal



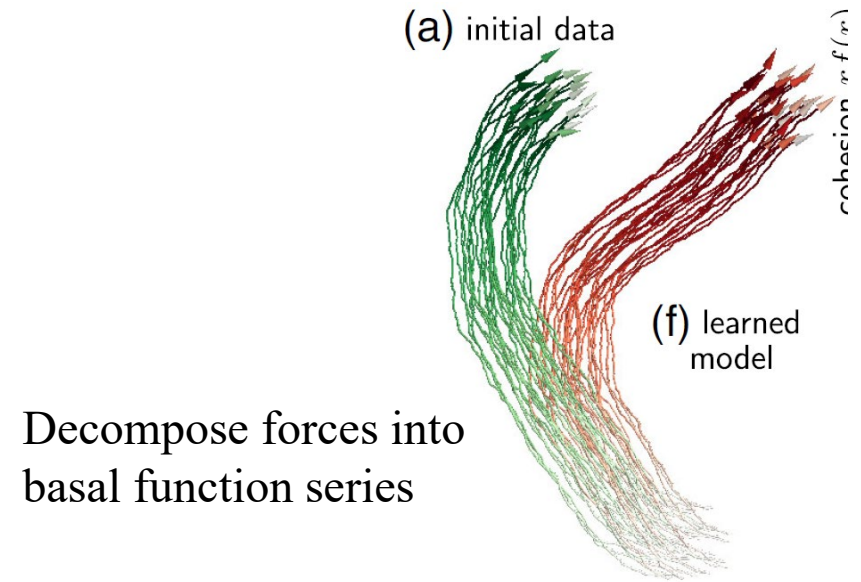
Morphogenesis of *Dictyostelium discoideum*

Fujimori, T., *et al.* PNAS (2019).

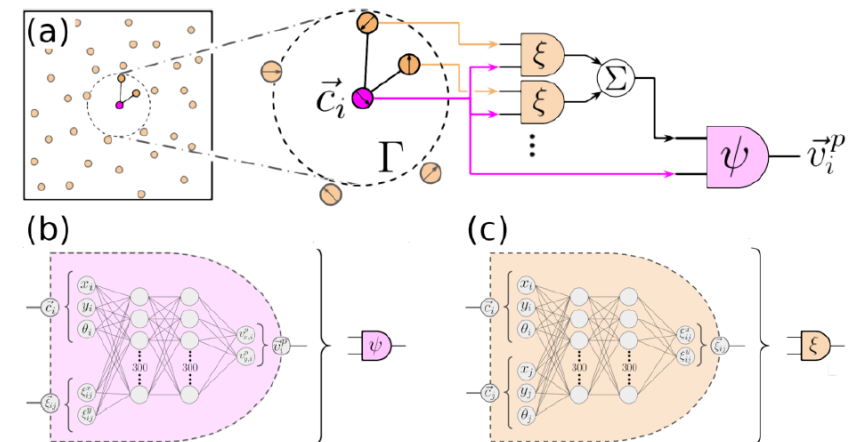


# Estimating the rules for multi-body dynamics

- Existing models modeled self-propulsion and interaction in several ways
- Rules are estimated by minimizing the predicting error of trajectories
- Not applied to mixed-species systems



Brückner, D. B. *et al.* *PRL* (2020).



Velocity is predicted by deep neural network that receive a pair of polarities

Ruiz-Garcia, M. *et al.* *PRE* (2024).

# Our framework

- General form of equation of motion in multi-body systems

$$z^i(t) = (x^i(t), y^i) \quad \text{Dynamic (x) and static (y) variables}$$

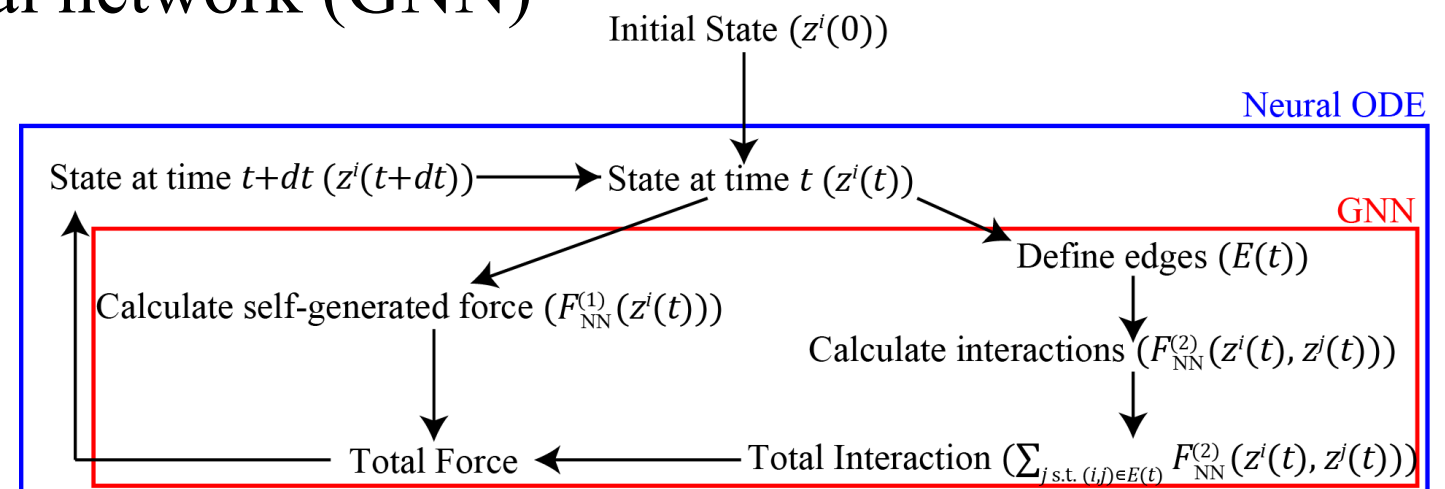
- Truncated at pairwise interaction

$$dx^i = \left( F^{(1)}(z^i(t)) + \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } d_{ij} < d_0} F^{(2)}(z^i(t), z^j(t)) \right) dt + \sigma dW^i(t)$$

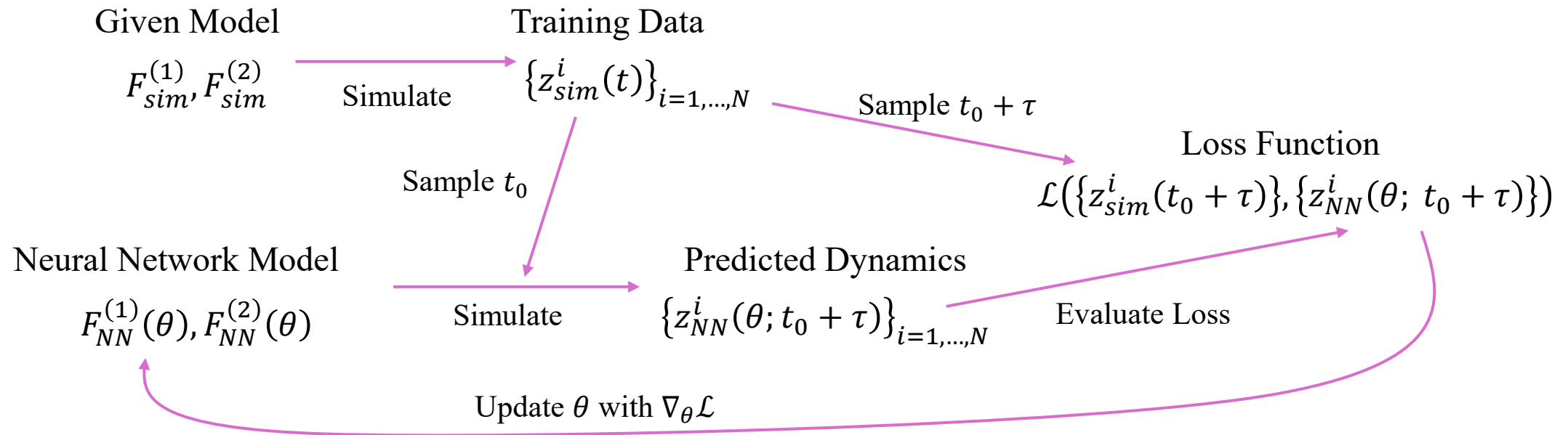
- Neural ODE calls Graph neural network (GNN) at each calculation step

- GNN updates edges with pre-defined rule and returns total force (improved from GraphODE)

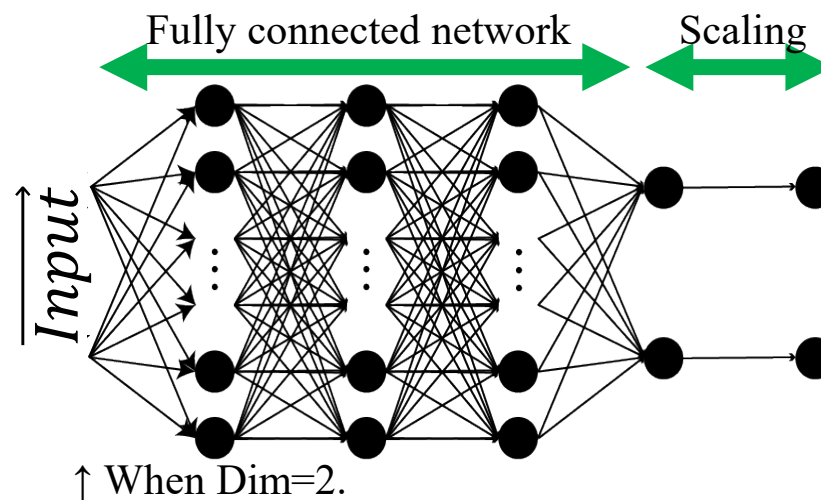
Poli, M. *et al.* *arXiv* (2021).



# Method for estimation



- Neural networks are trained to predict the trajectories in given model



## Fully connected network

Depth: 3

Width: 128

Activation: ELU

$$ELU(x) = \max(x, e^x - 1)$$

## Scaling Layer

$$Scaling(\vec{x}) = e^A \vec{x} + \vec{B}$$

Initial:  $A = -20, \vec{B} = \vec{0}$

Optimizer : LAMB





- Underdamped Brownian Motion with Harmonic Interaction

$x^i = (r^i, v^i)$       Position, Velocity  
 $y^i = ()$                       None

$$dr^i = v^i dt,$$

$$dv^i = \left( \underbrace{-\gamma v^i}_{\text{friction}} - \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} \underbrace{\nabla_{r^i} U(r^i - r^j)}_{\text{harmonic interaction}} \right) dt + \sigma dW^i(t)$$

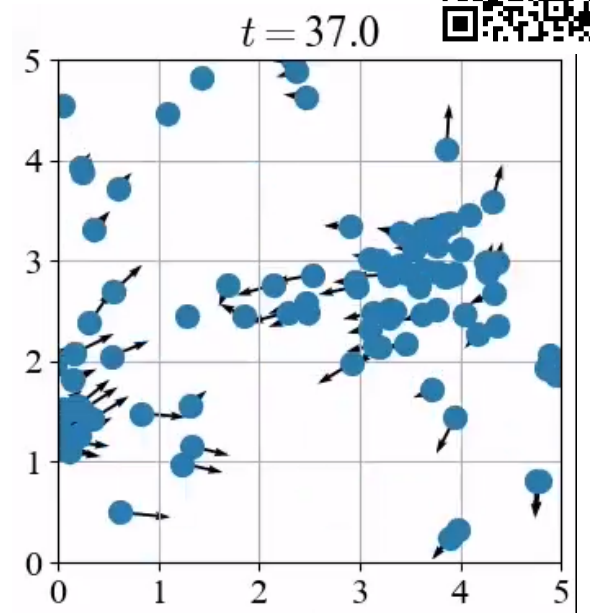
$$U(r) = \frac{1}{2}k(|r| - r_c)^2$$



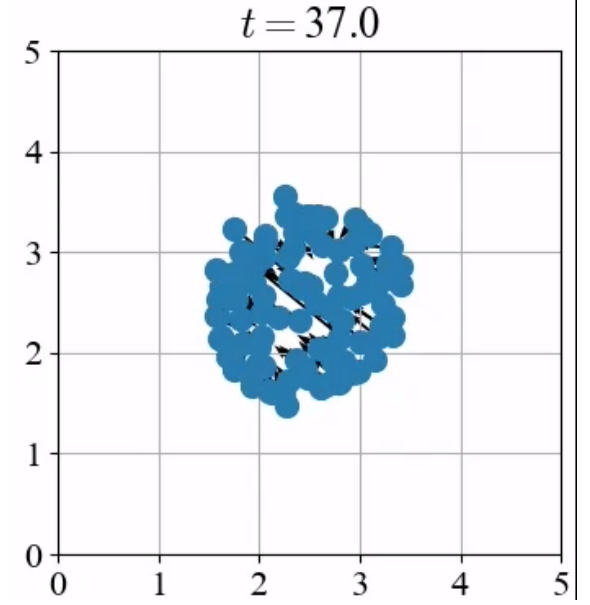
$$dr^i = v^i dt,$$
$$dv^i = \left( F_{NN,v}^{(1)}(z^i; \theta) + \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} F_{NN,v}^{(2)}(z^i, z^j; \theta) \right) dt$$

→ Trained for loss function (normalized prediction error of  $(r^i, v^i)$ )

Weak friction  
 $\gamma = 1 \times 10^{-2}$



Strong friction  
 $\gamma = 1 \times 10^{-1}$



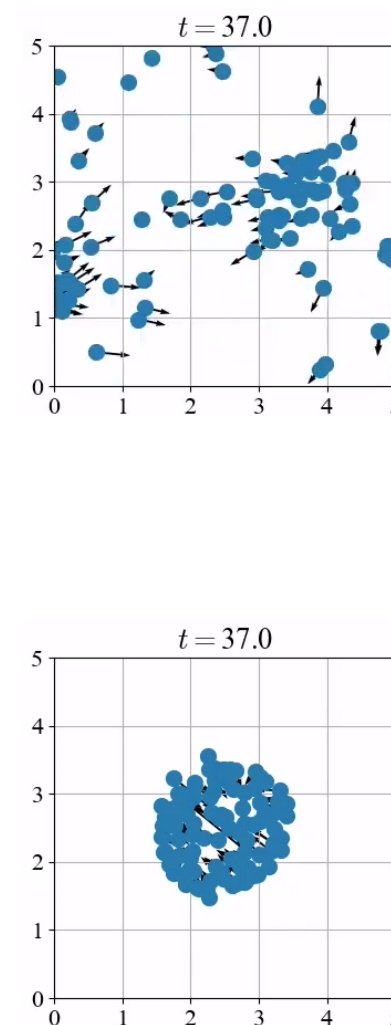
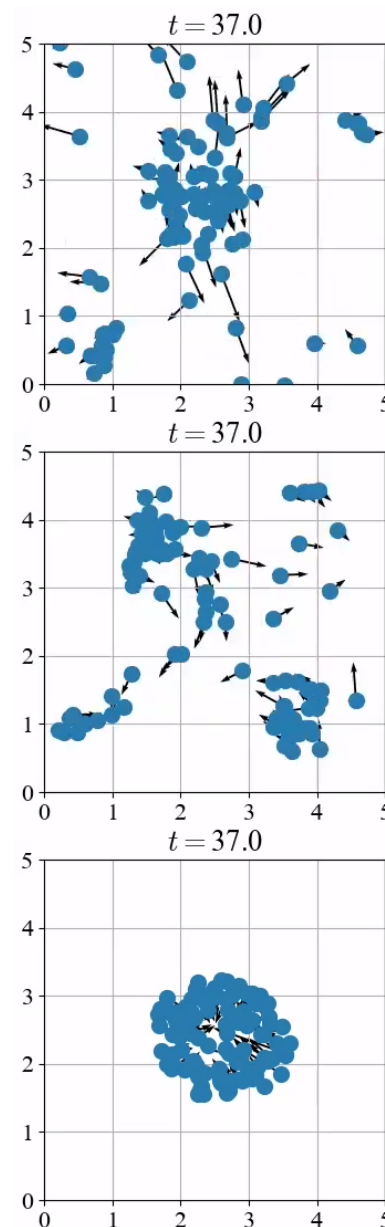
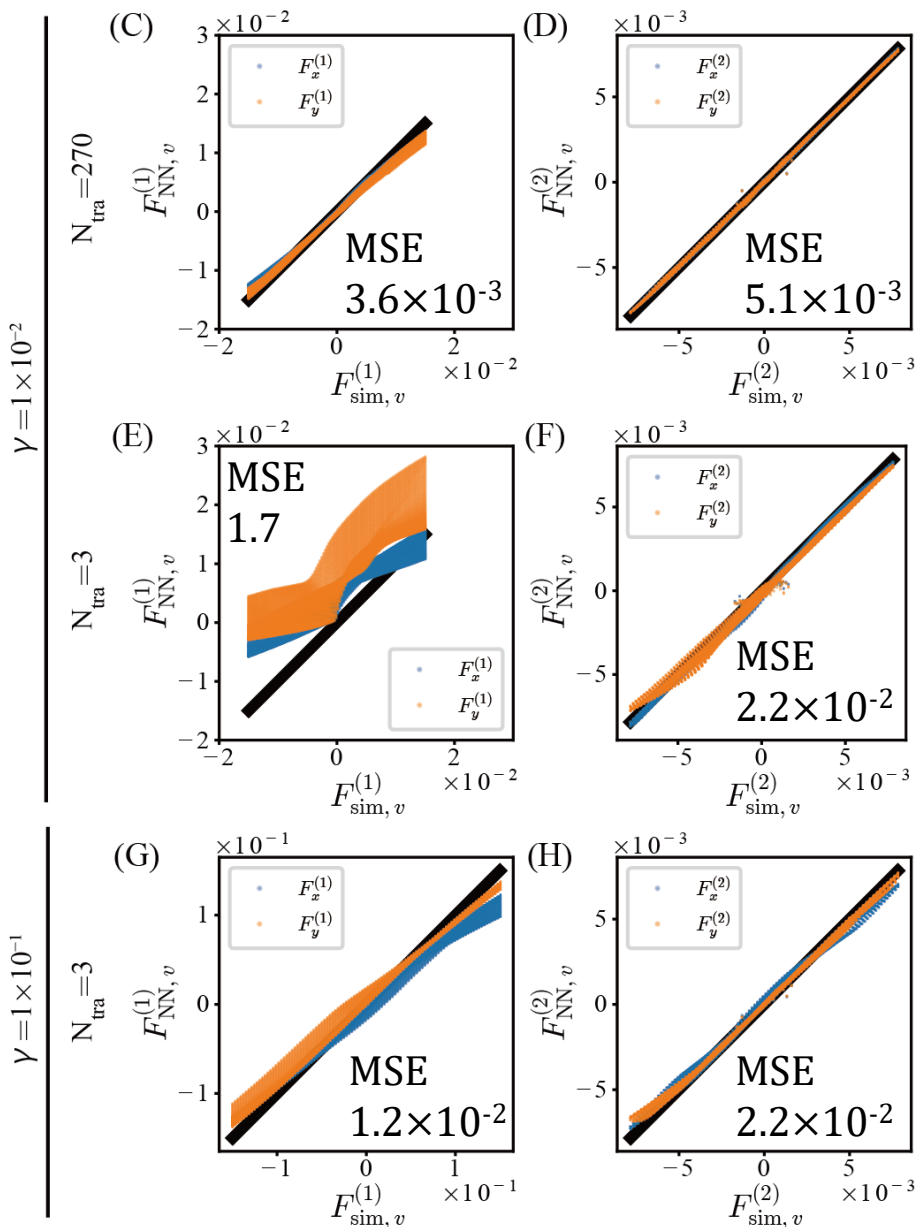
# Estimation for training data 1

Movies →



Estimated Dynamics

Training Data







- Mixed Species Collective Motion with Overdamped Self-propulsion

$$x^i = (r^i, \phi^i) \quad \text{Position, Polarity angle}$$

$$y^i = (c^i \in \{0, 1\}) \quad \text{Species type}$$

$$dr^i = (v_0 p^i + \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} \underbrace{\beta J_{eV}^{ij}}_{\text{exclusion volume}}) dt$$

$$d\phi^i = - \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} \left( \underbrace{\alpha_{CF}(c^i) J_{CF}^{ij}}_{\text{contact following}^1} + \underbrace{\alpha_{Ch}(c^i) J_{Ch}^{ij}}_{\text{chemotaxis}^2} \right) (r^{ij} \cdot p_{\perp}^i) dt + \sigma dW^i(t).$$

$$J_{eV}^{ij} = (r_c^{-1} - |r^{ij}|^{-1}) r^{ij}, \quad p^i = (\cos \phi^i, \sin \phi^i), p_{\perp}^i = (-\sin \phi^i, \cos \phi^i)$$

$$J_{CF}^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r^{ij} \cdot p^j}{|r^{ij}|} \right), \quad r^{ij} = r^j - r^i \in [-L/2, L/2]^2.$$

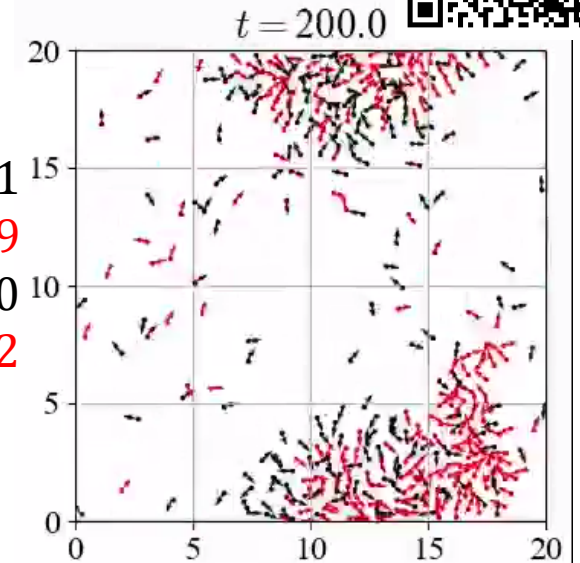
$$J_{Ch}^{ij} = -\frac{r^{ij} \cdot p^i}{|r^{ij}|} K_1(\kappa |r^{ij}|)$$

$$\alpha_{CF}(0) = 0.1$$

$$\alpha_{CF}(1) = 0.9$$

$$\alpha_{Ch}(0) = 2.0$$

$$\alpha_{Ch}(1) = 0.2$$

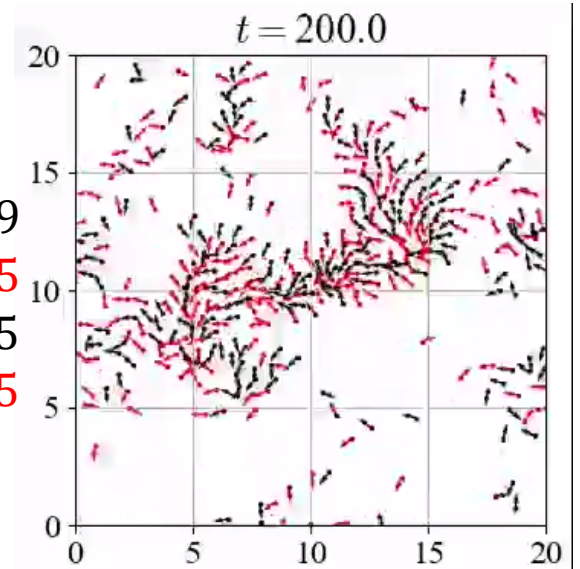


$$\alpha_{CF}(0) = 0.9$$

$$\alpha_{CF}(1) = 0.5$$

$$\alpha_{Ch}(0) = 0.5$$

$$\alpha_{Ch}(1) = 0.5$$



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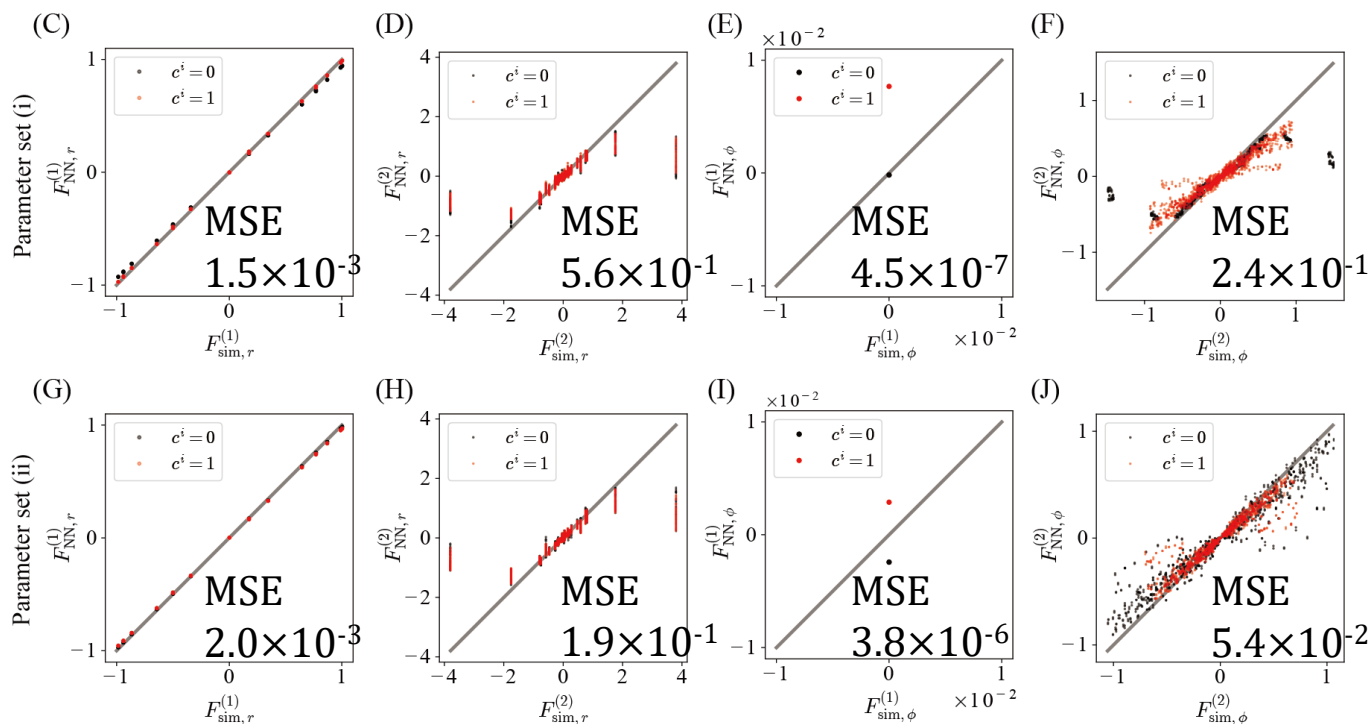
# Estimation for training data 2

Movies →



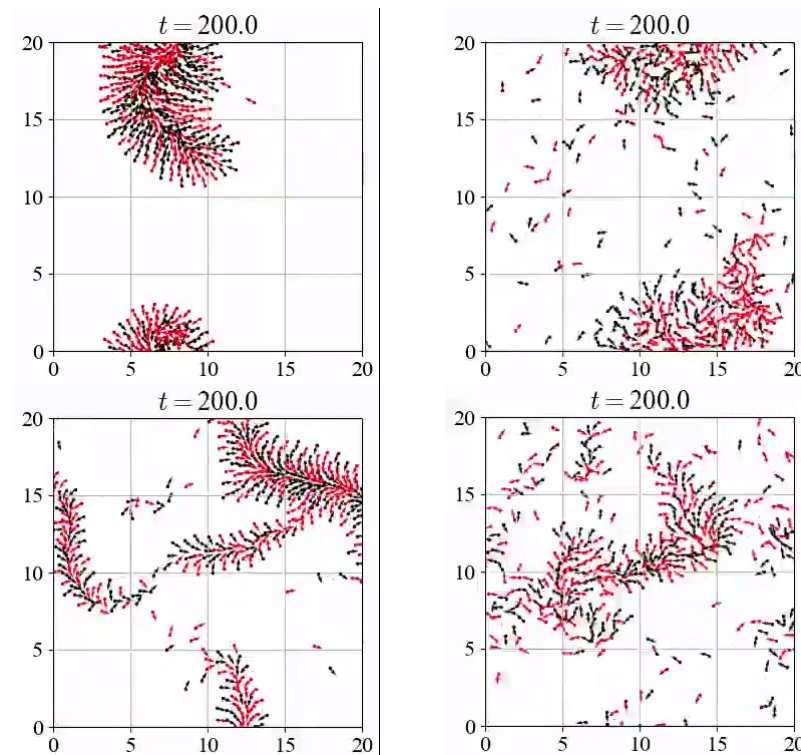
$$dr^i = \left( F_{NN,r}^{(1)}(z^i; \theta) + \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} F_{NN,r}^{(2)}(z^i, z^j; \theta) \right) dt,$$
$$d\phi^i = \left( F_{NN,\phi}^{(1)}(z^i; \theta) + \sum_{j \text{ s.t. } (i,j) \in E(t)} F_{NN,\phi}^{(2)}(z^i, z^j; \theta) \right) dt$$

→ Trained for loss function  
(normalized prediction error of  $(r^i, \phi^i)$ )



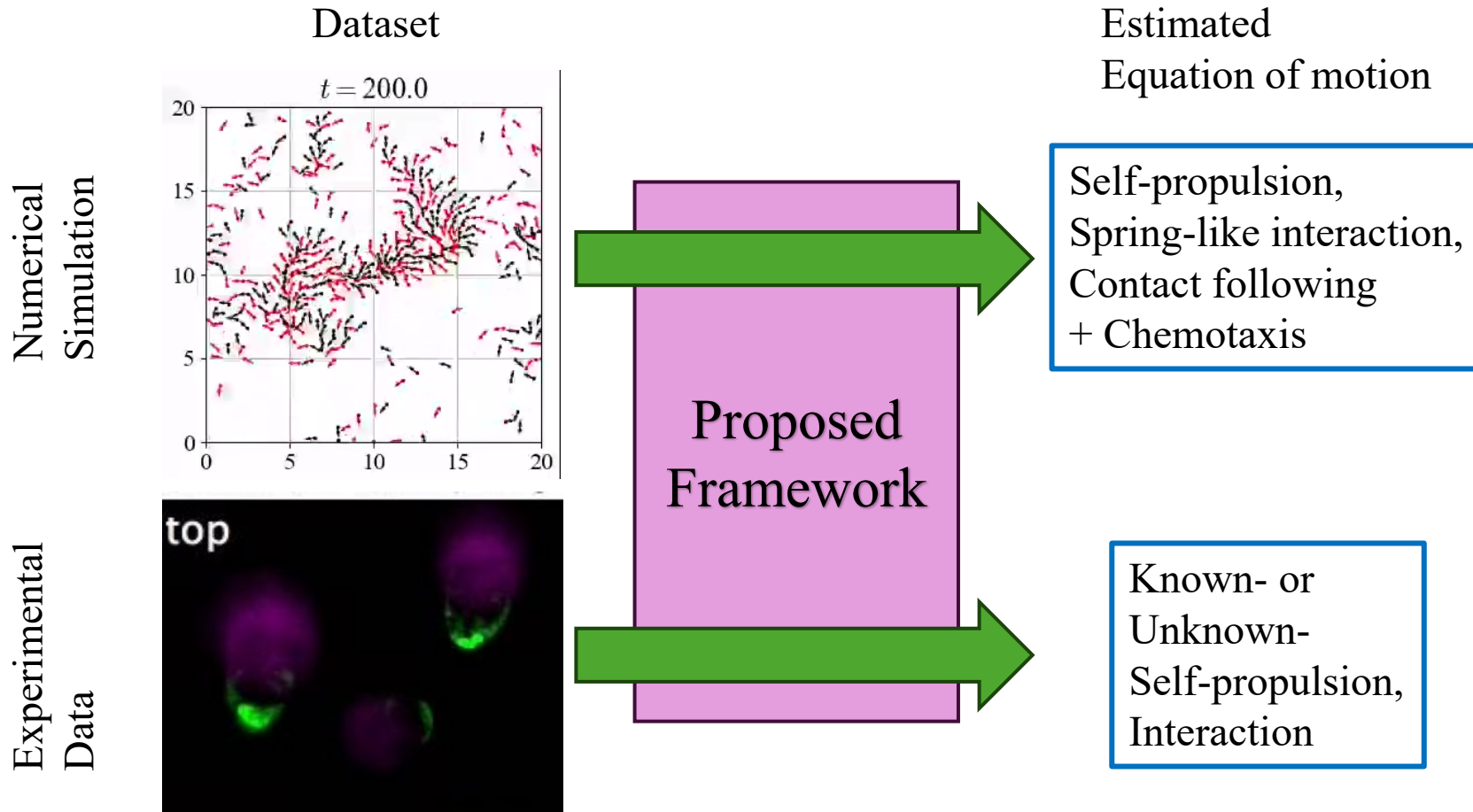
Estimated Dynamics

Training Data



# Conclusion

- GNN + neuralODE can learn forces from trajectories



Fujimori, T. *et al.* *PNAS* (2019).



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