

Unified Motion Planner for Fishes with Various Swimming Styles

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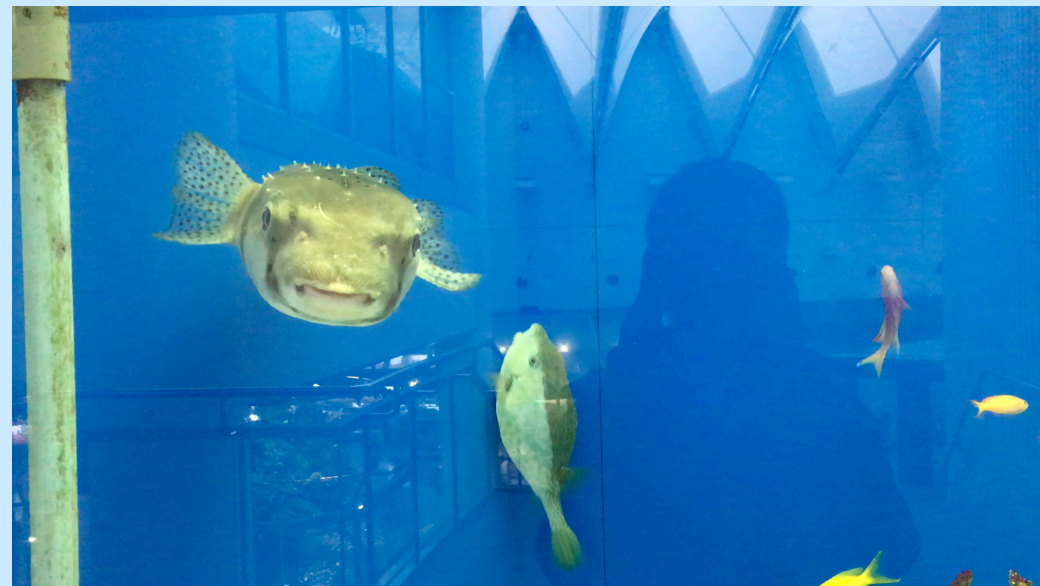


Underwater scene - *various* and *many* fish



Why is it difficult to reproduce underwater scenes?

► 1. Swimming styles of fish are very diverse



Variation of swimming styles by fish species

- 28,000+ species
- Big difference of size and skeleton structure

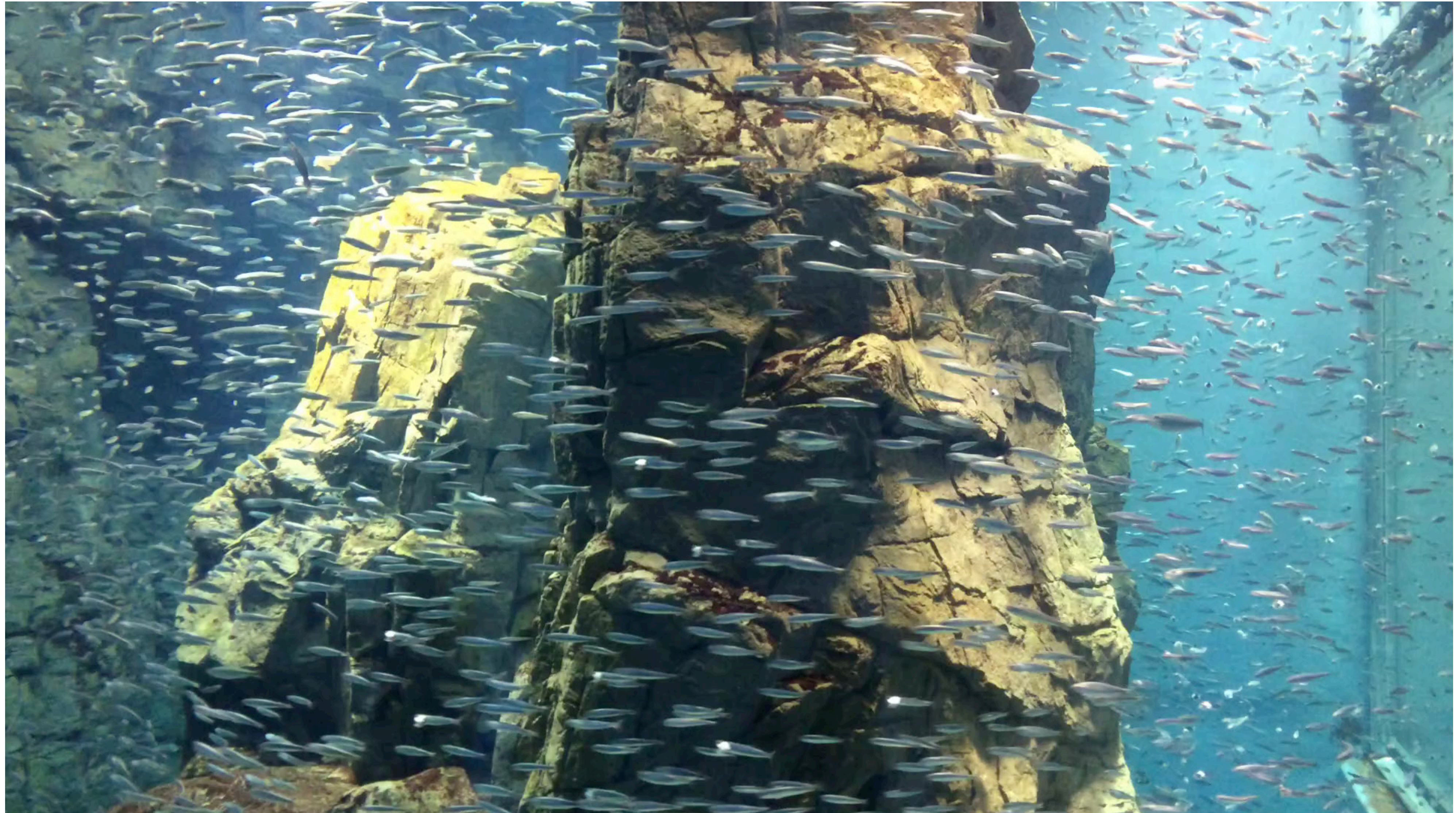


Variation of swimming styles by change of a situation

- e.g.
 - swim *slowly* -> oscillate pectoral fins
 - swim *rapidly* -> undulate body trunk

Why is it difficult to reproduce underwater scenes?

- ▶ 2. Number of fish is very large



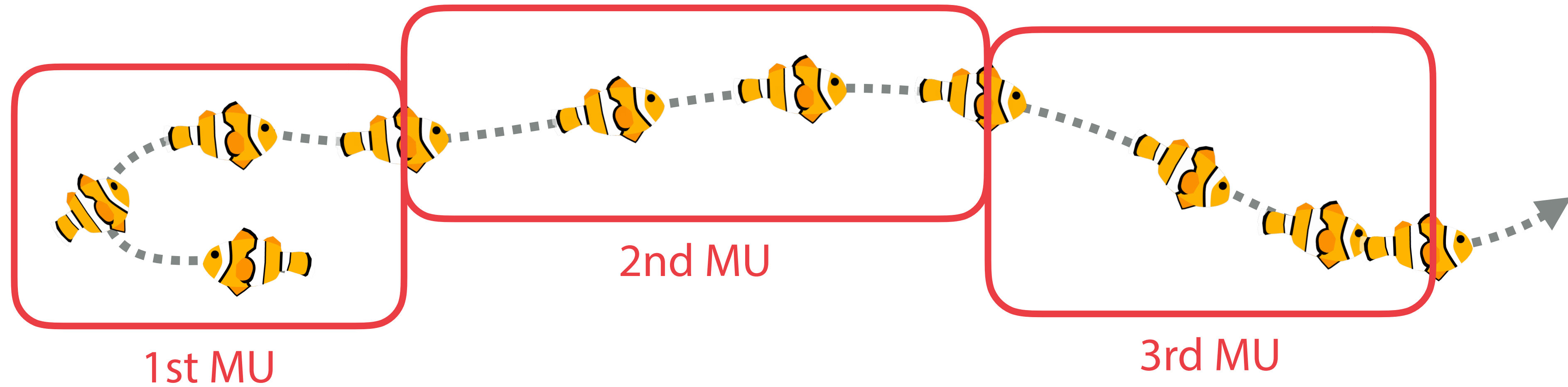
Research question

- ▶ How to reproduce...
 - realistic and massive fishes
 - with **various swimming styles**
 - by **fish species** and **change of a situation?**



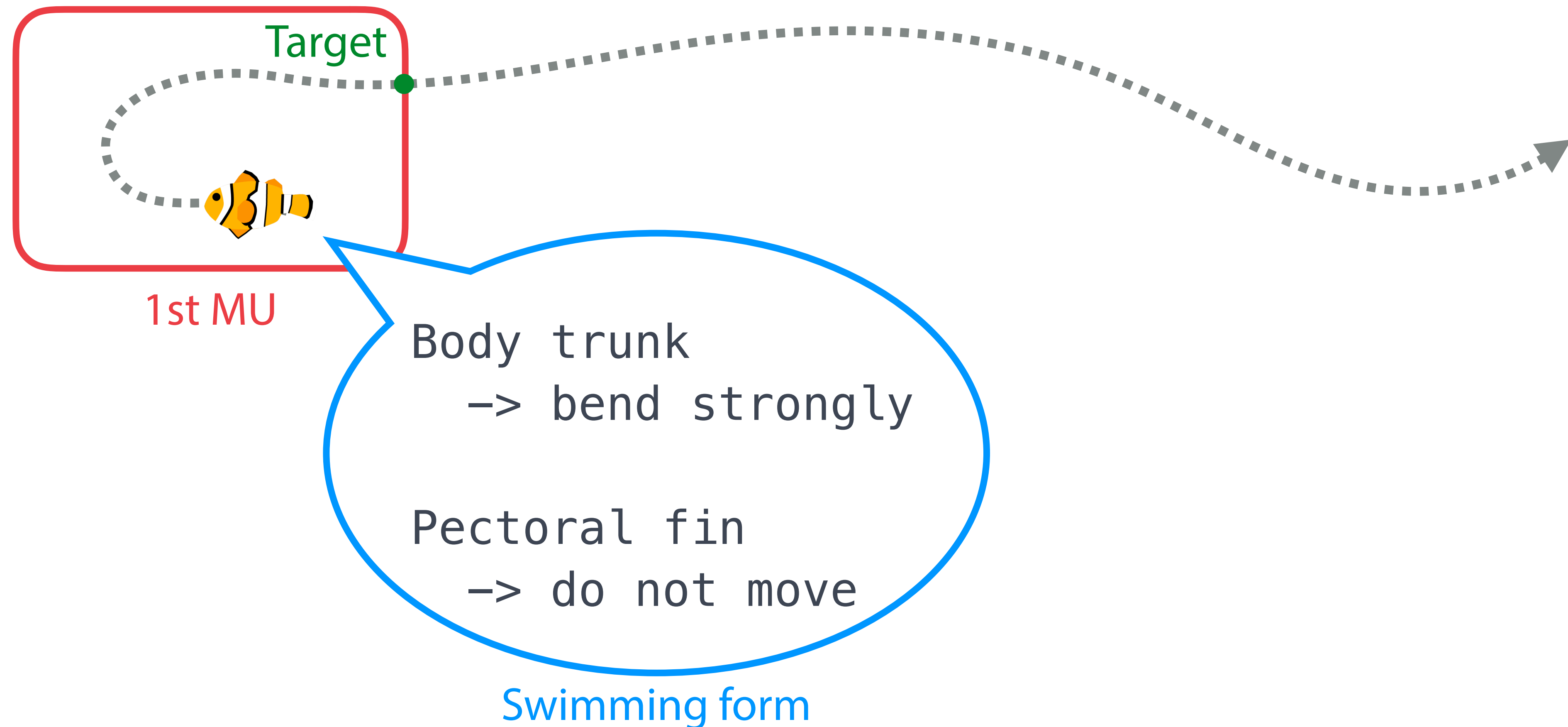
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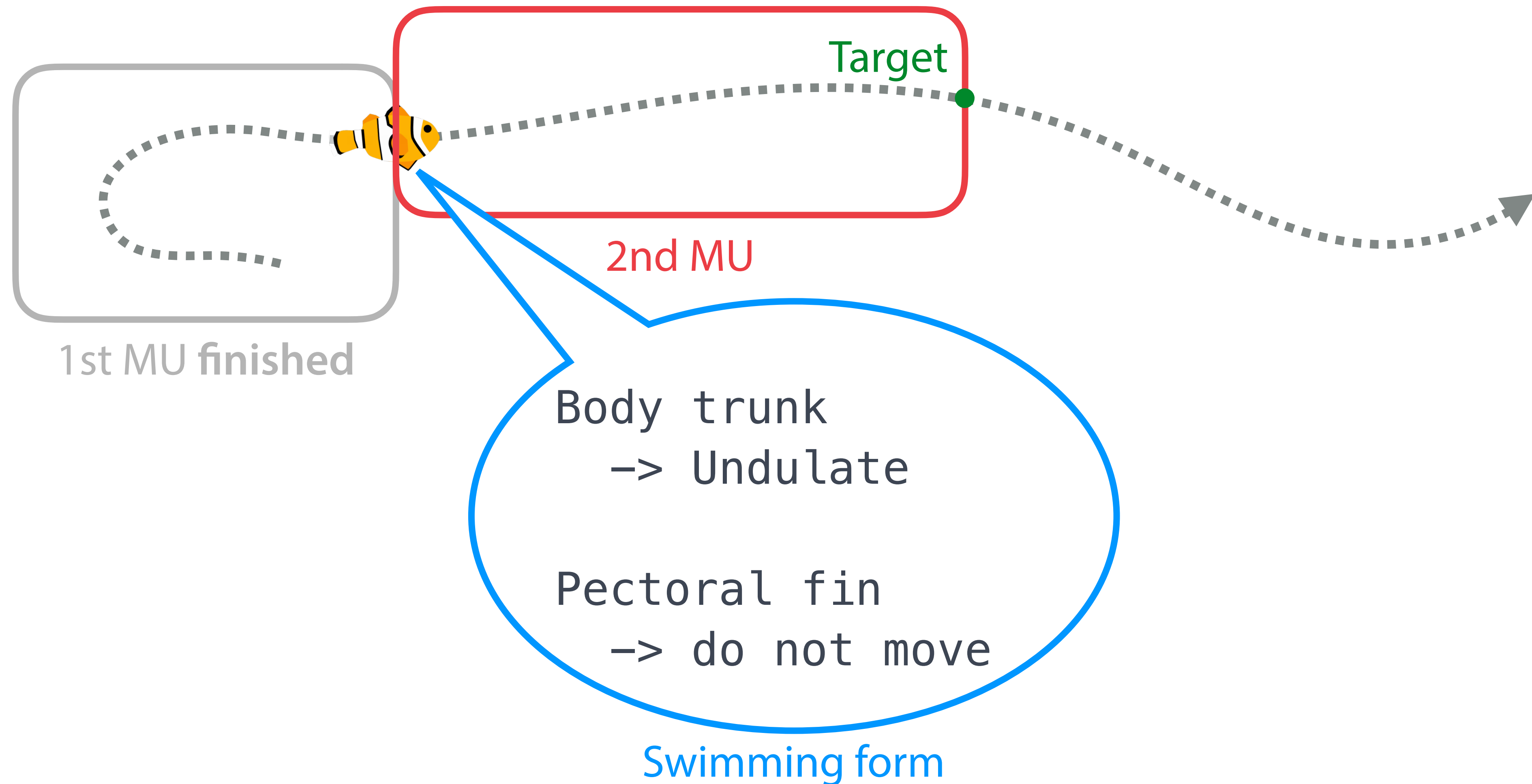
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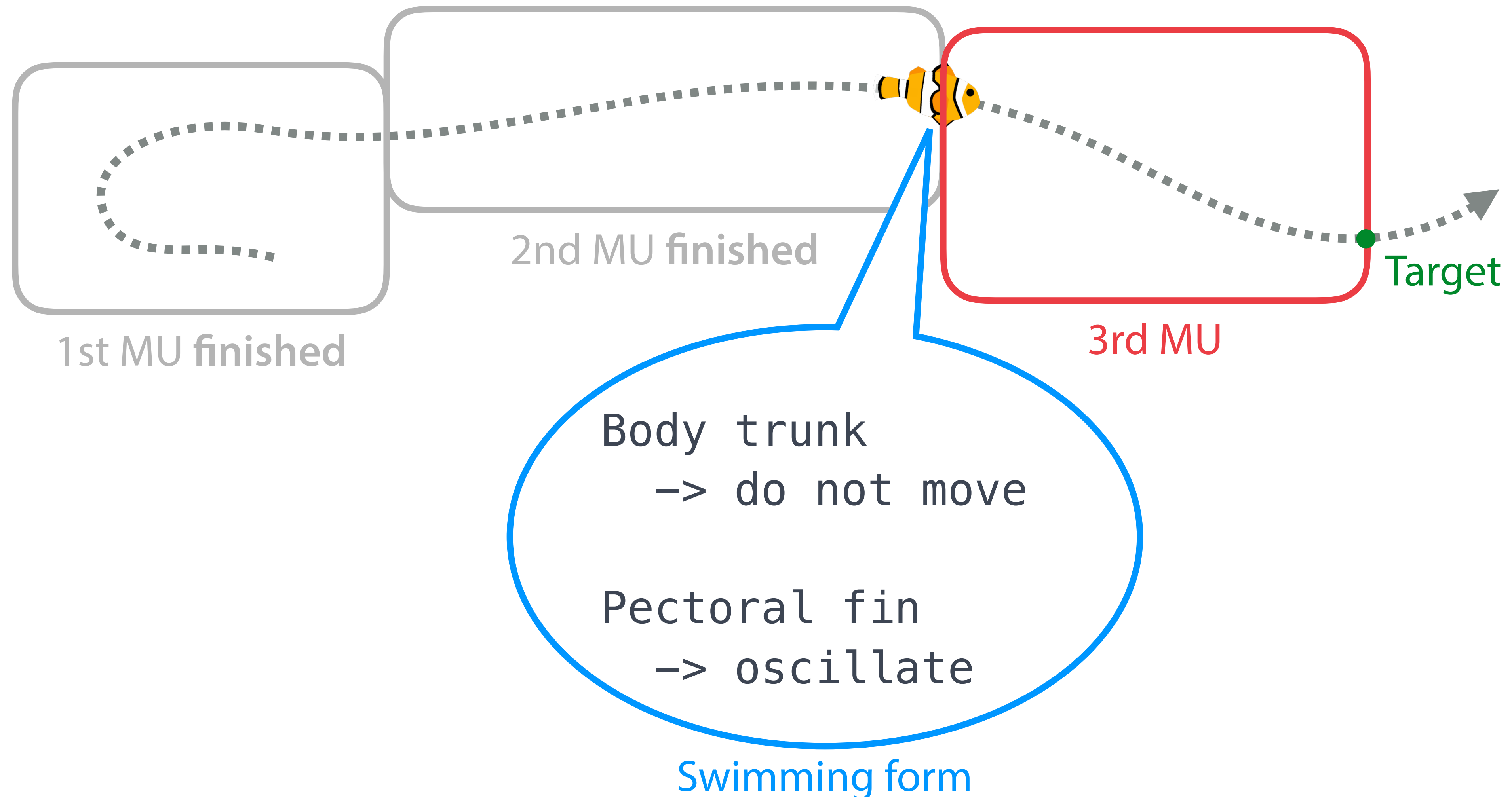
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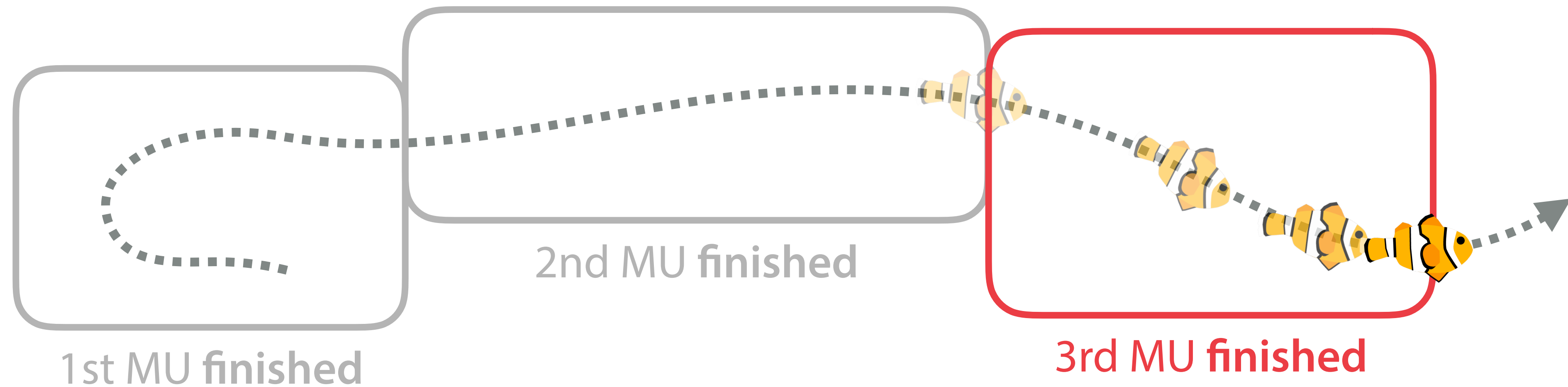
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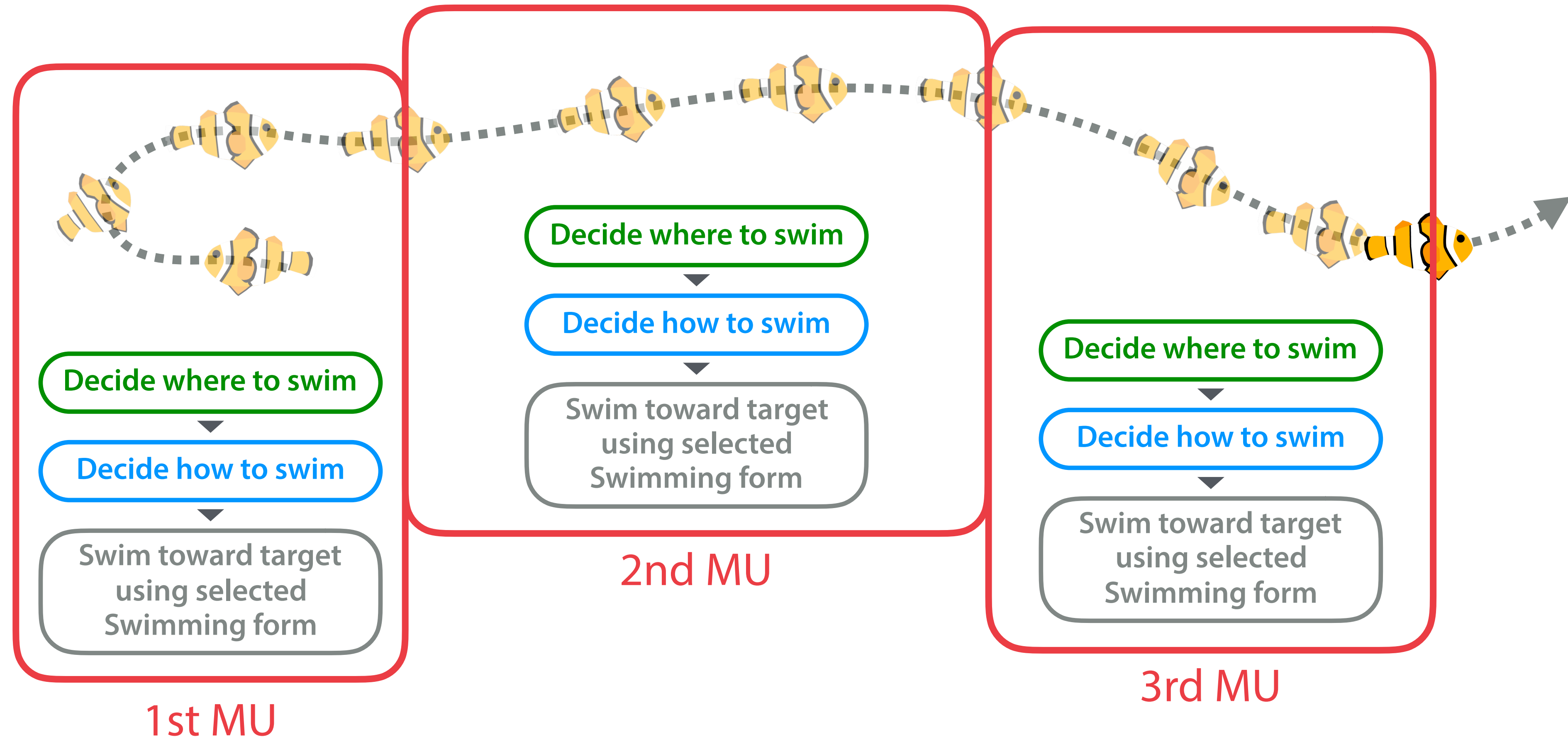
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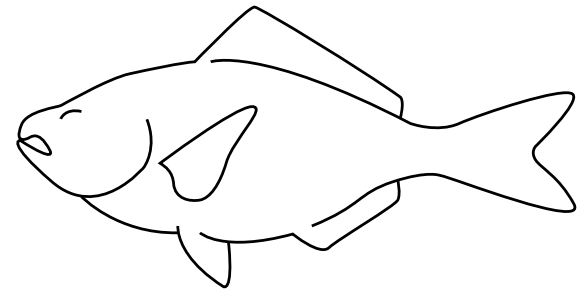
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Resolve swimming motion of fish

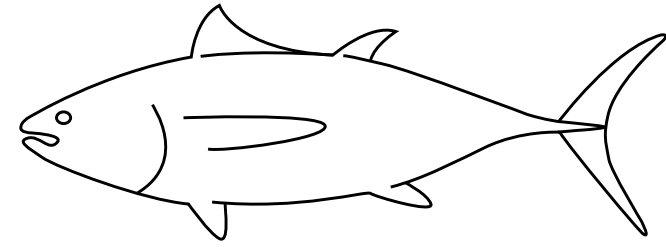
28,000+ species

► Categorized as 12 **Swimming modes** in fish physiology [Lindsey 1978]



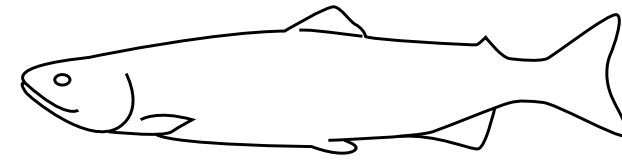
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Labriform



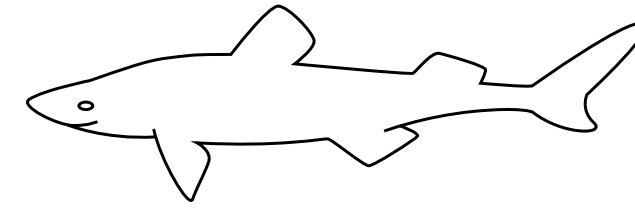
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Thunniform



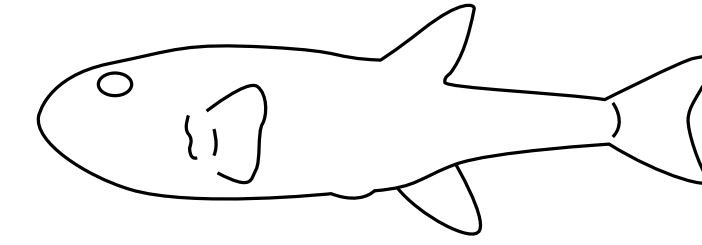
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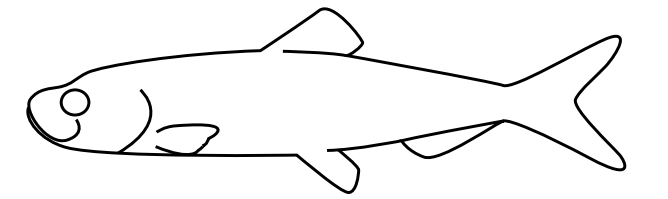
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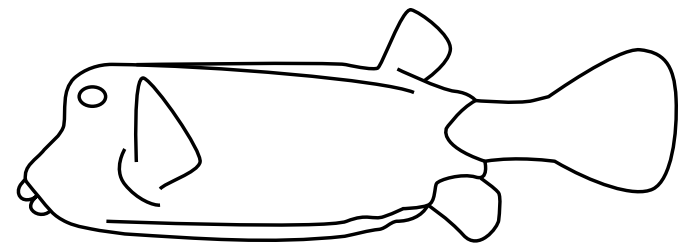
Ocean sunfish

Tetraodontiform



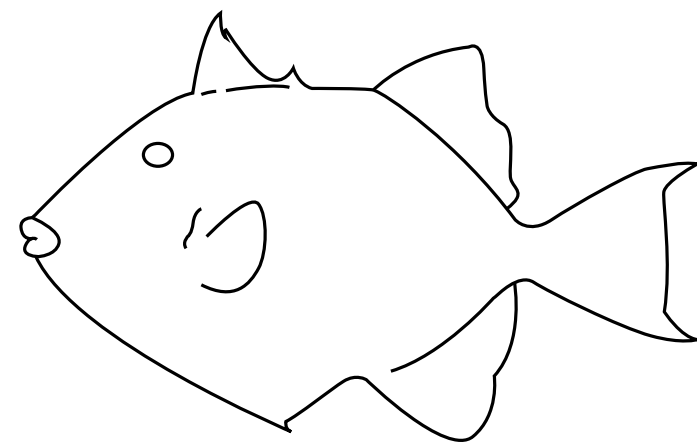
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Carangiform



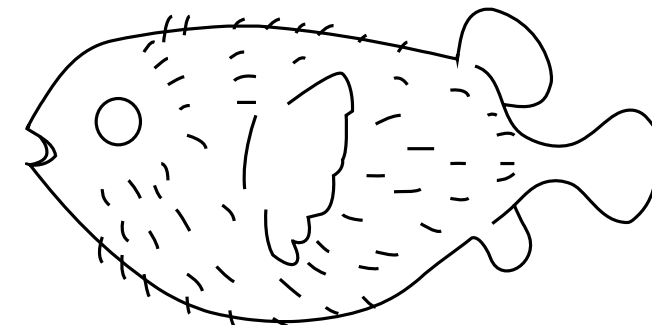
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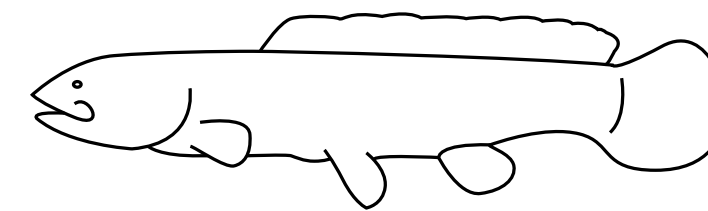
Triggerfish

Balistiform



Porcupine fish

Diodontiform



Bowfin

Amiiform



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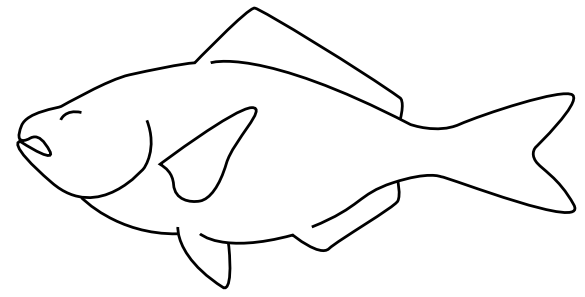


Manta

Rajiform

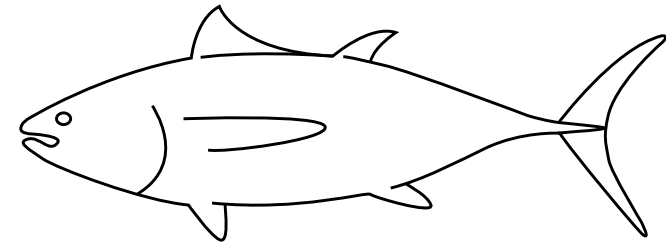
What is the difference?

► Skeleton structure



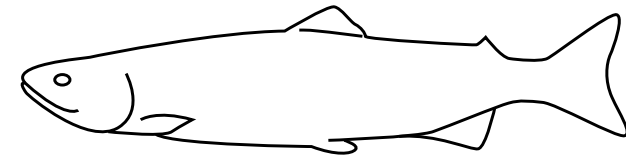
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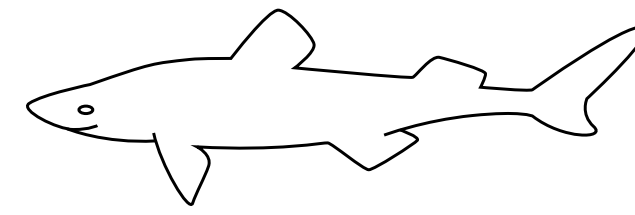
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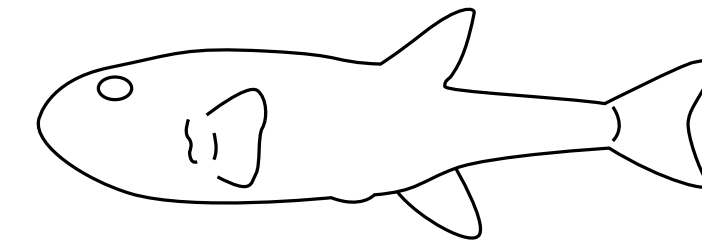
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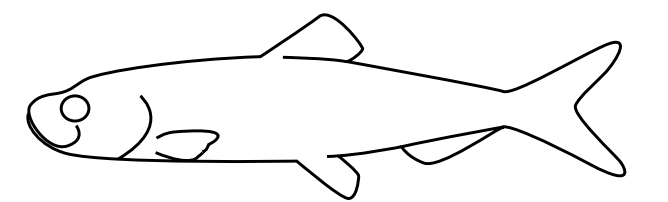
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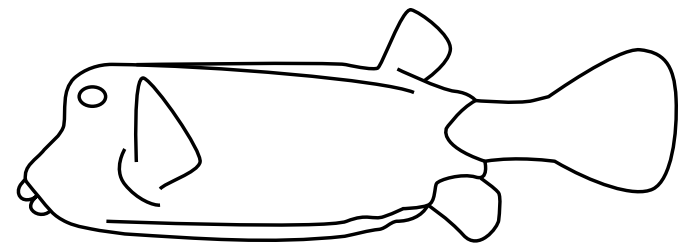
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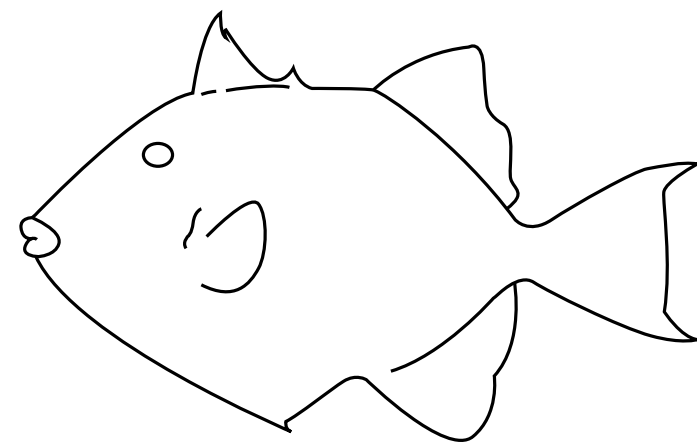
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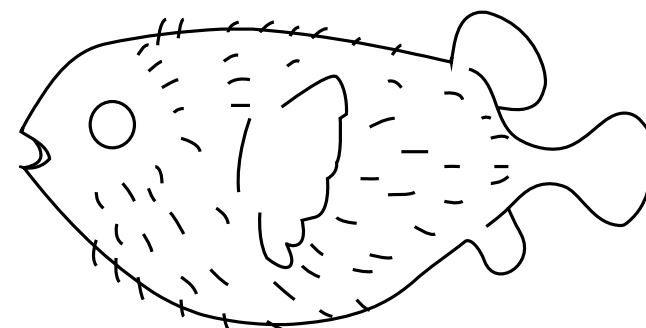
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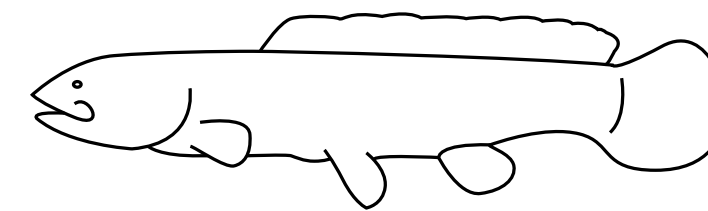
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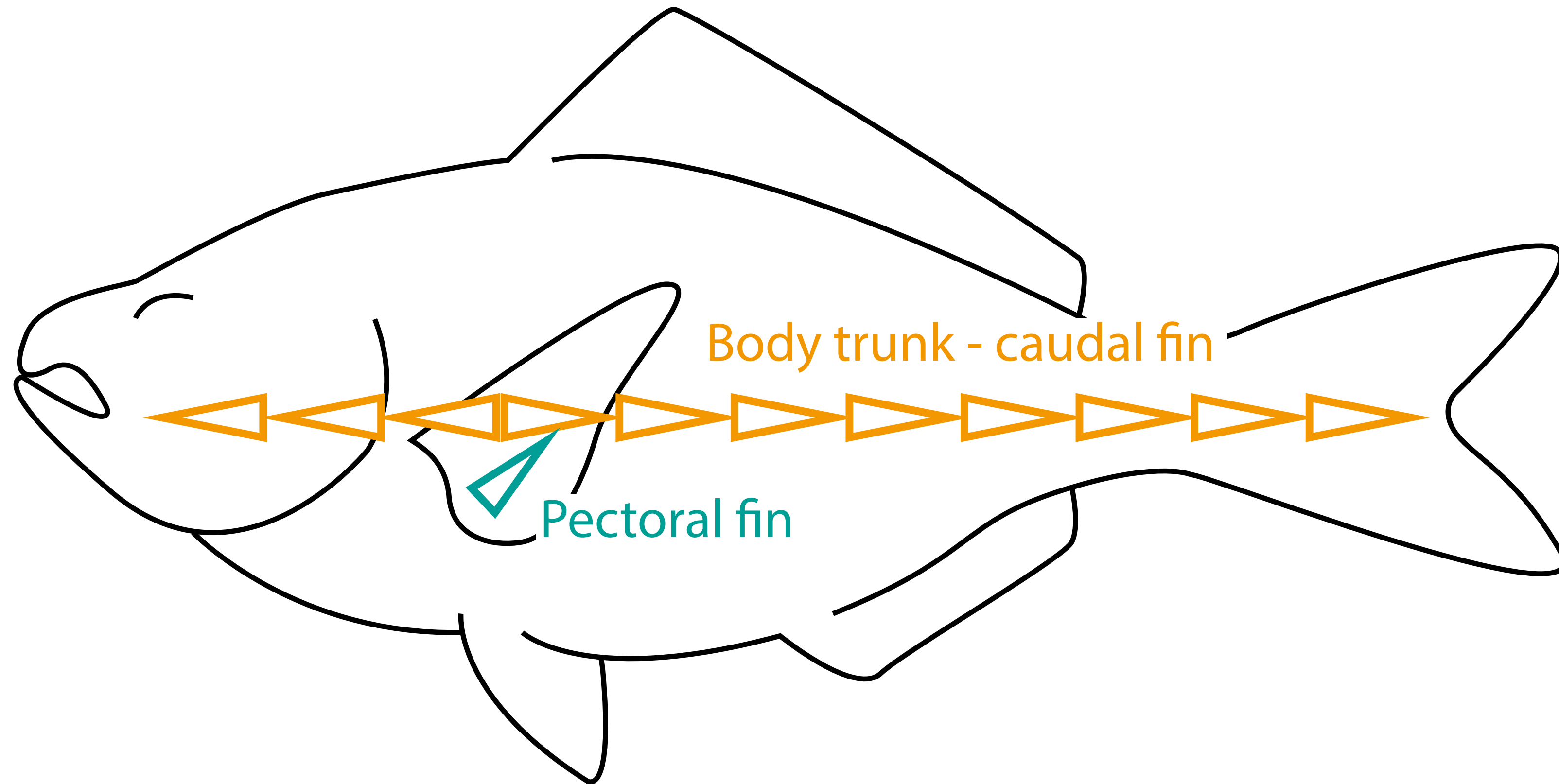


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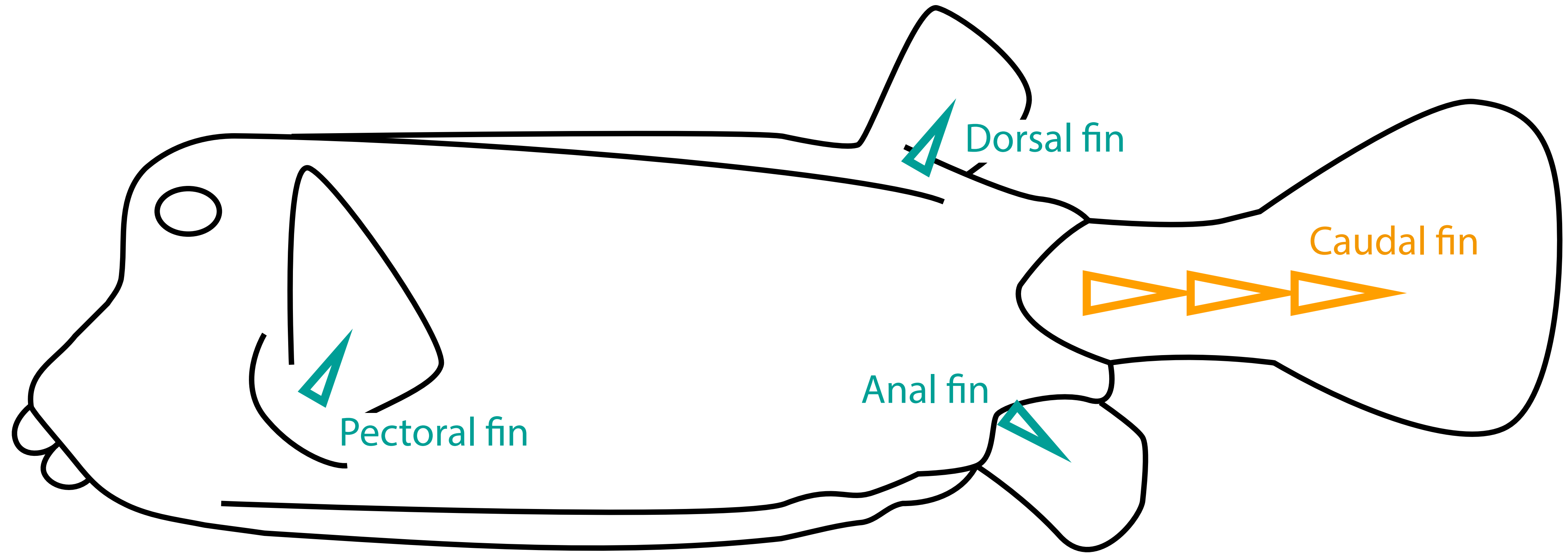
Example 1 - Labriform

- ▶ Mainly use **body trunk - caudal fin** and/or **pectoral fin** to swim



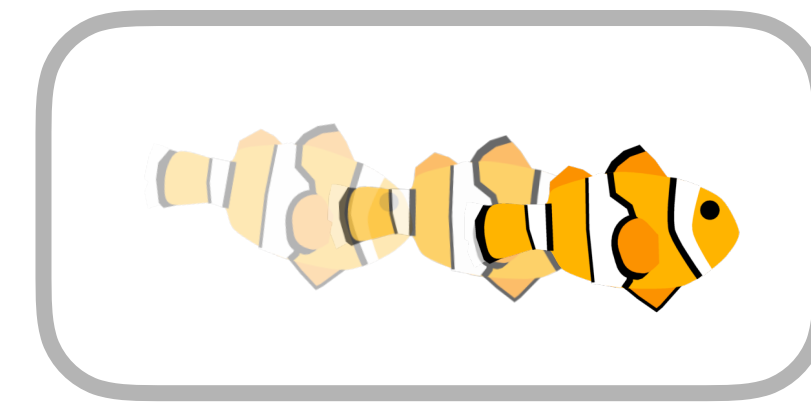
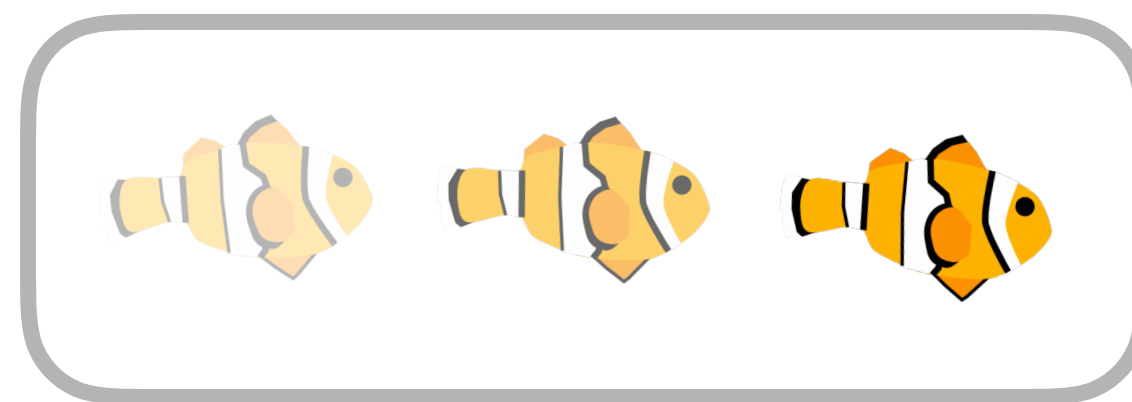
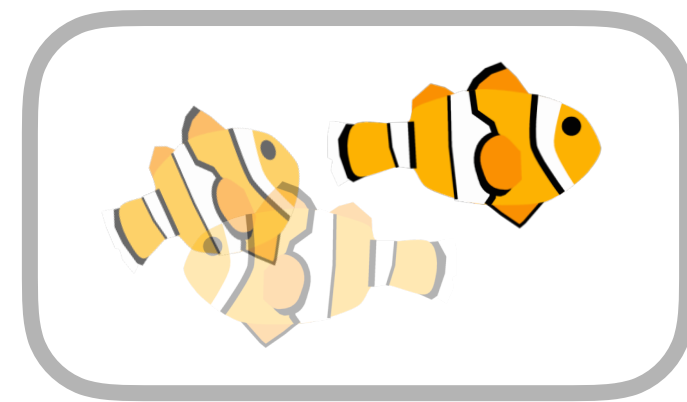
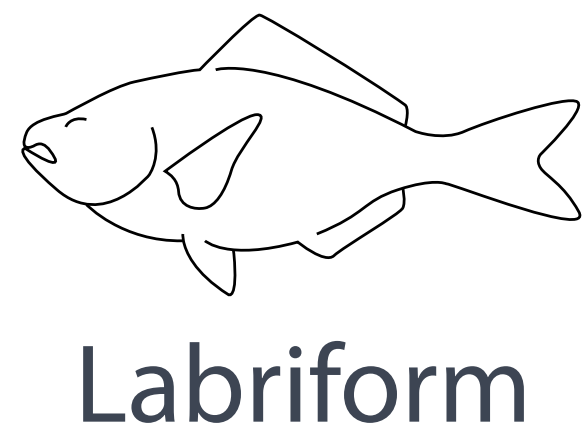
Example 2 - Ostraciiform

- Mainly use **caudal fin**, **pectoral fin**, **dorsal fin**, and/or **anal fin** to swim



Categorize swimming motion in each Swimming mode

- Fish change **how to move skeleton (Swimming form)** with time



...

Body trunk
→ bend strongly

Pectoral fin
→ do not move

...

C-Start

Body trunk
→ undulate

Pectoral fin
→ do not move

...

Subcarangiform

Body trunk
→ do not move

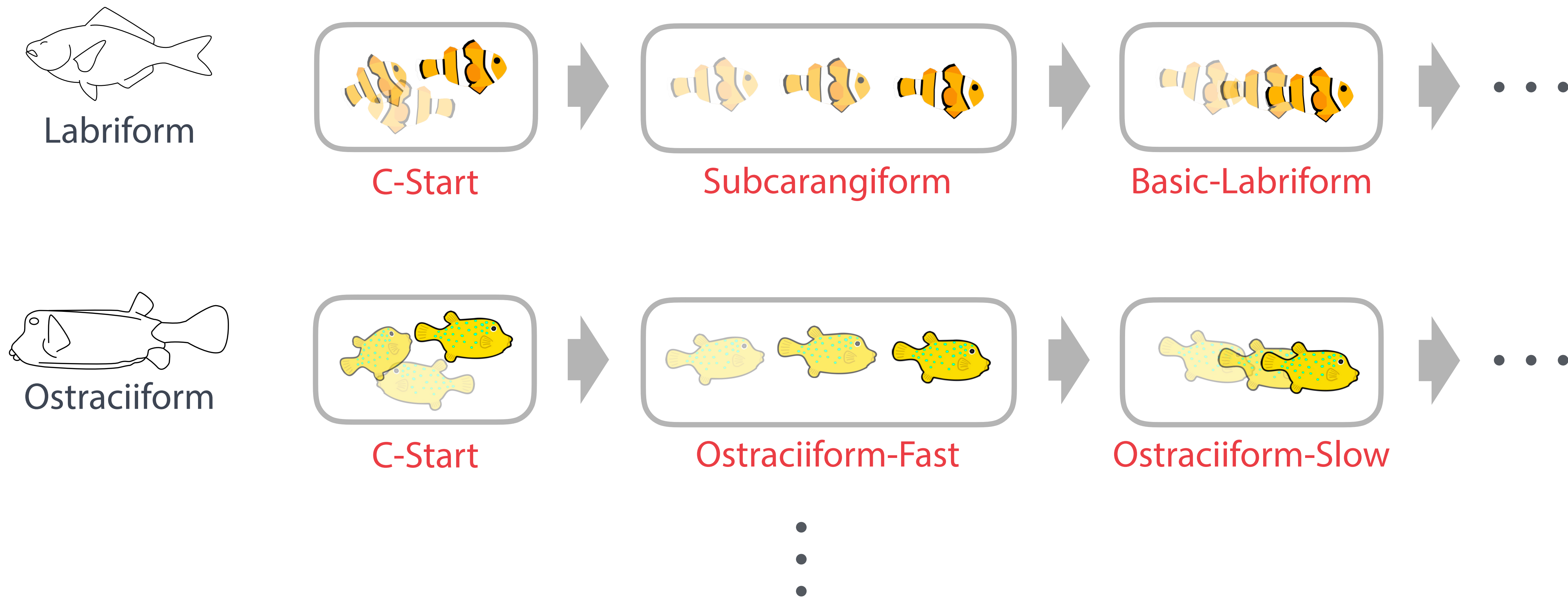
Pectoral fin
→ oscillate

...

Basic-Labriform

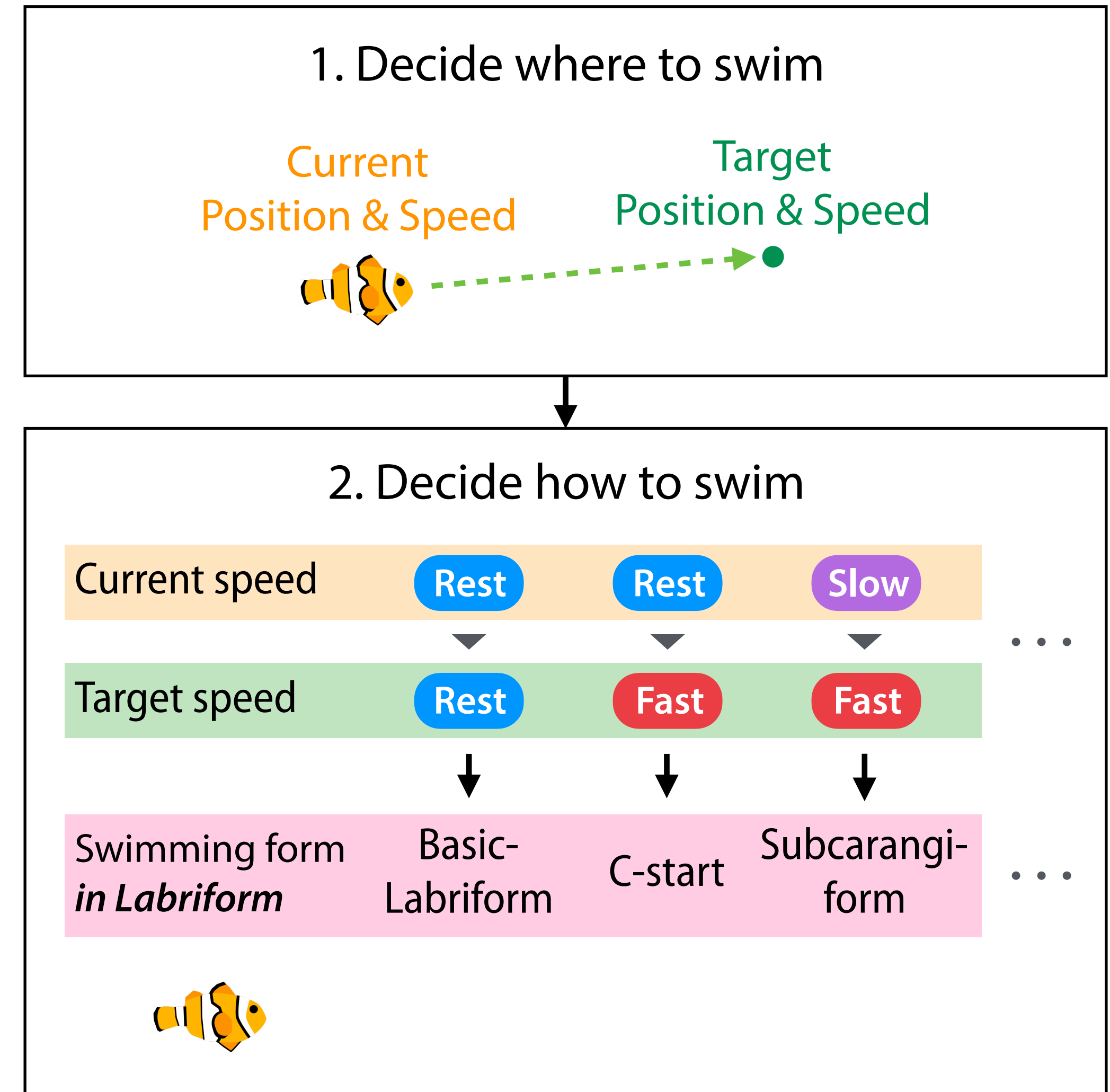
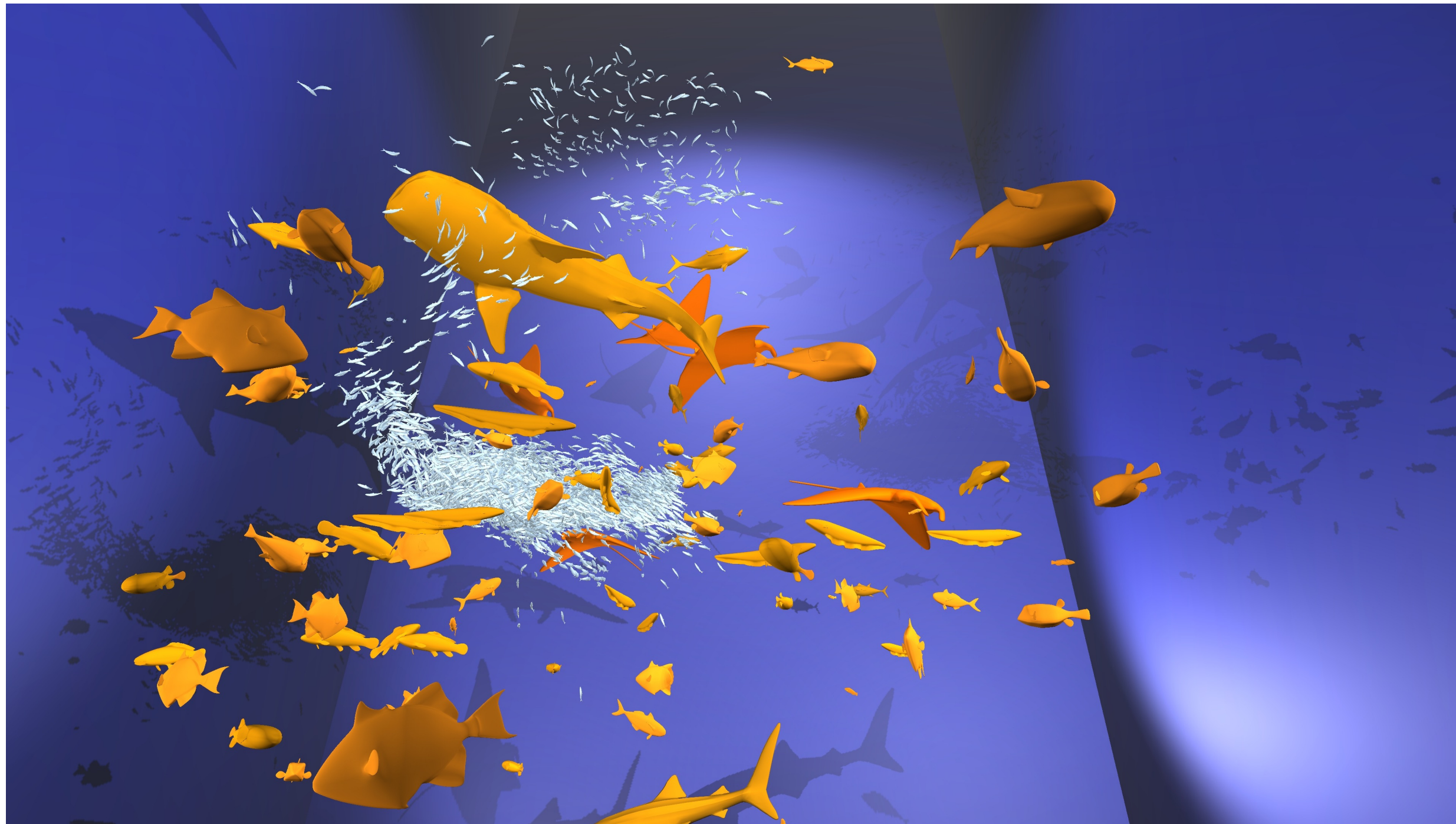
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► **Swimming form** is common idea among 12 Swimming modes



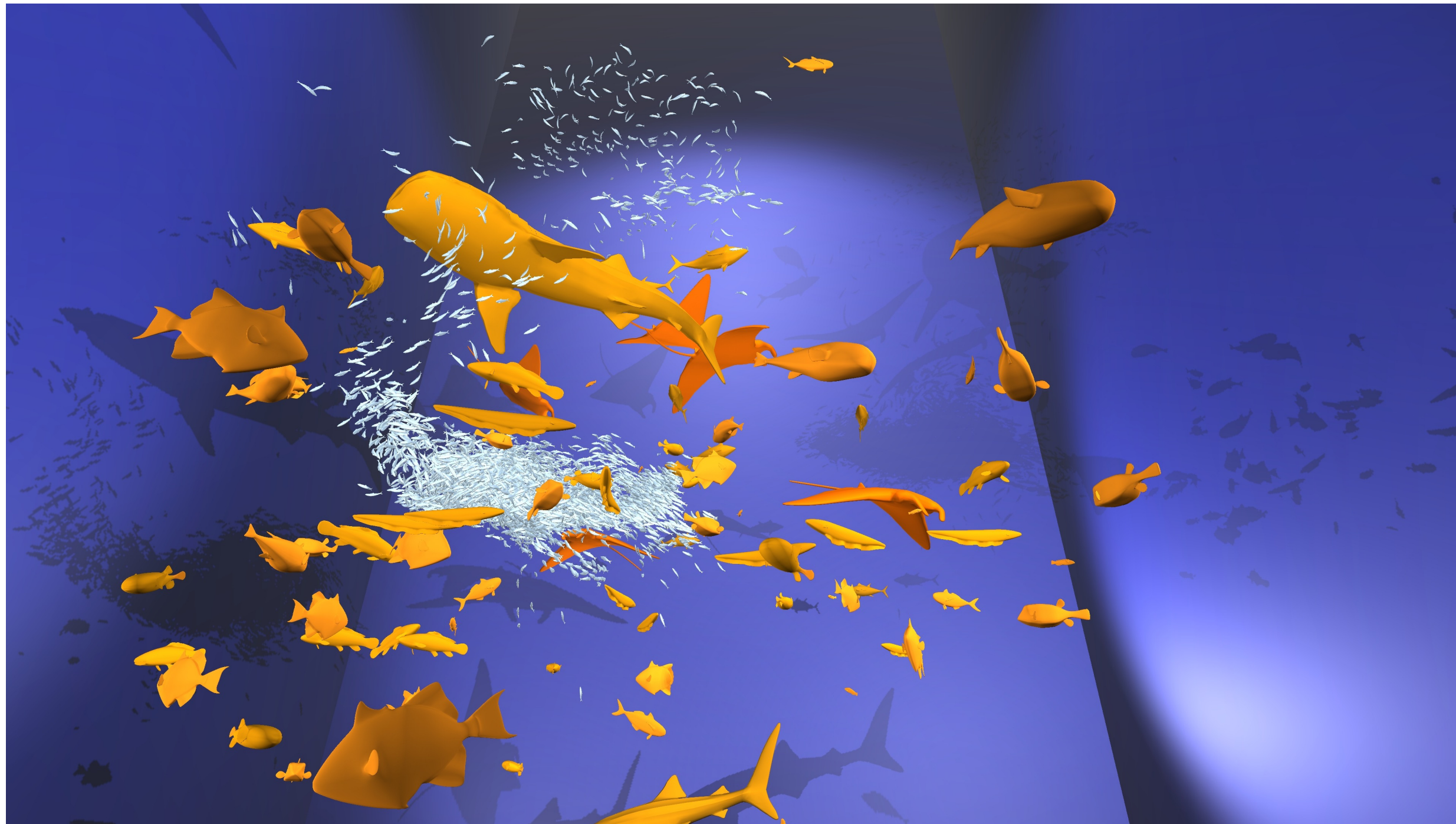
Unified Motion Planner

- Use **two-stage decision making process** to reproduce various swimming styles
 - 1. Decide where to swim - **Target position & speed**
 - 2. Decide how to swim - **Swimming form**

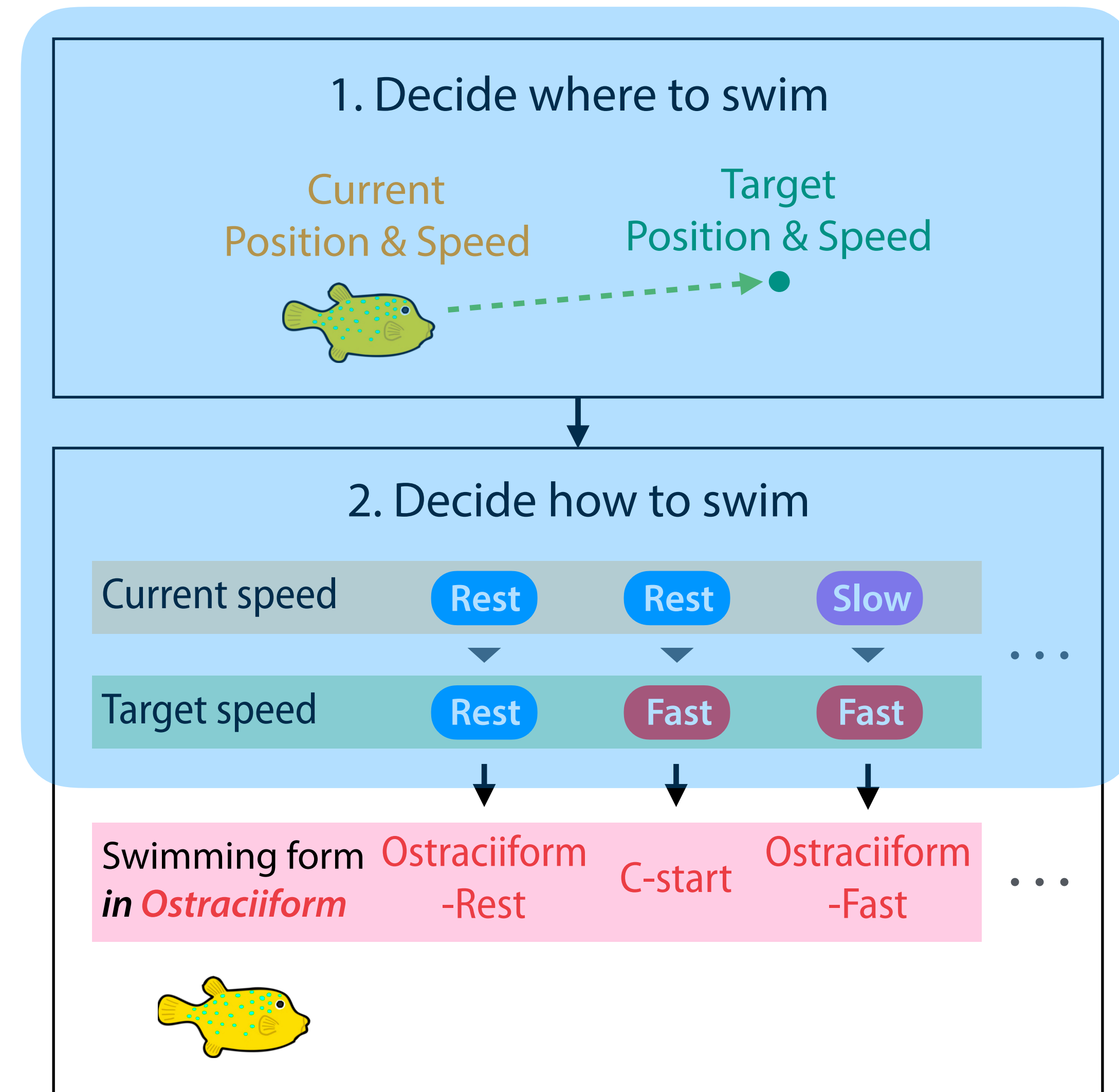


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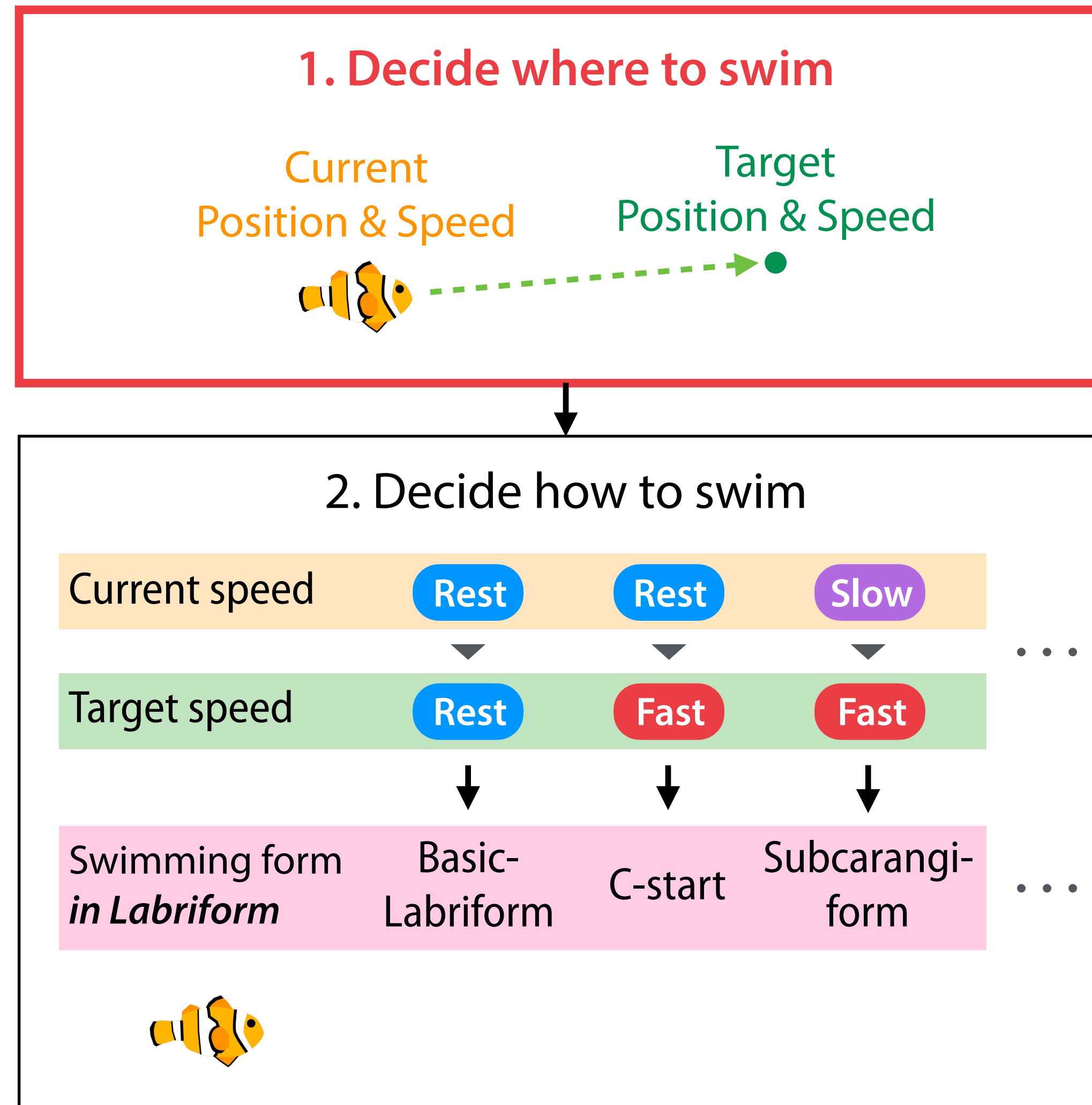
- How to reproduce motion of other fish species?
-> **replace Swimming forms**



Common components among fish species



Target selection & Locomotion control



Basic concept of target selection

- Balance a number of factor in swimming

Escape from predator
→ accelerate

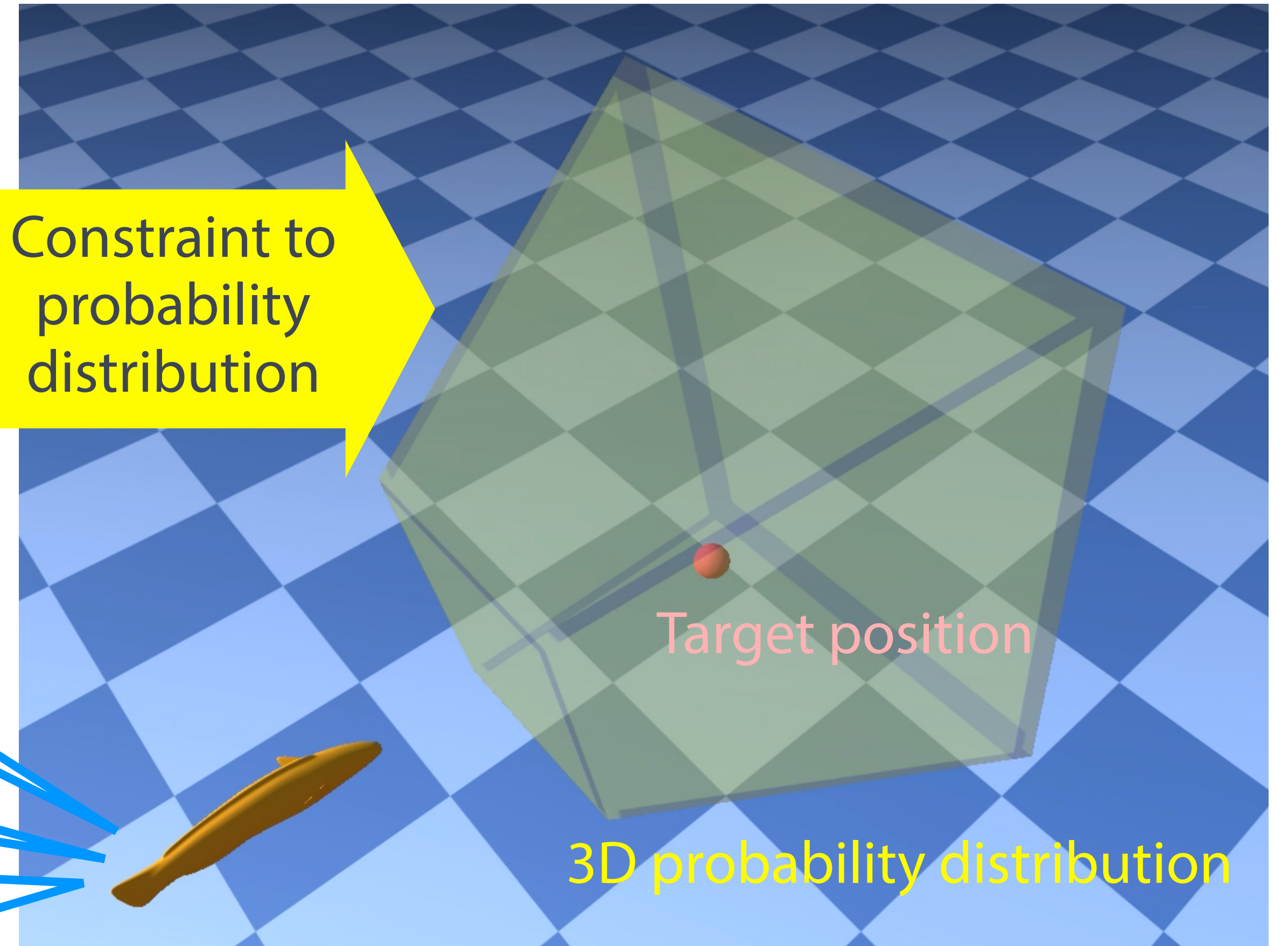
Swim in schools
→ move right

Follow course
→ move left

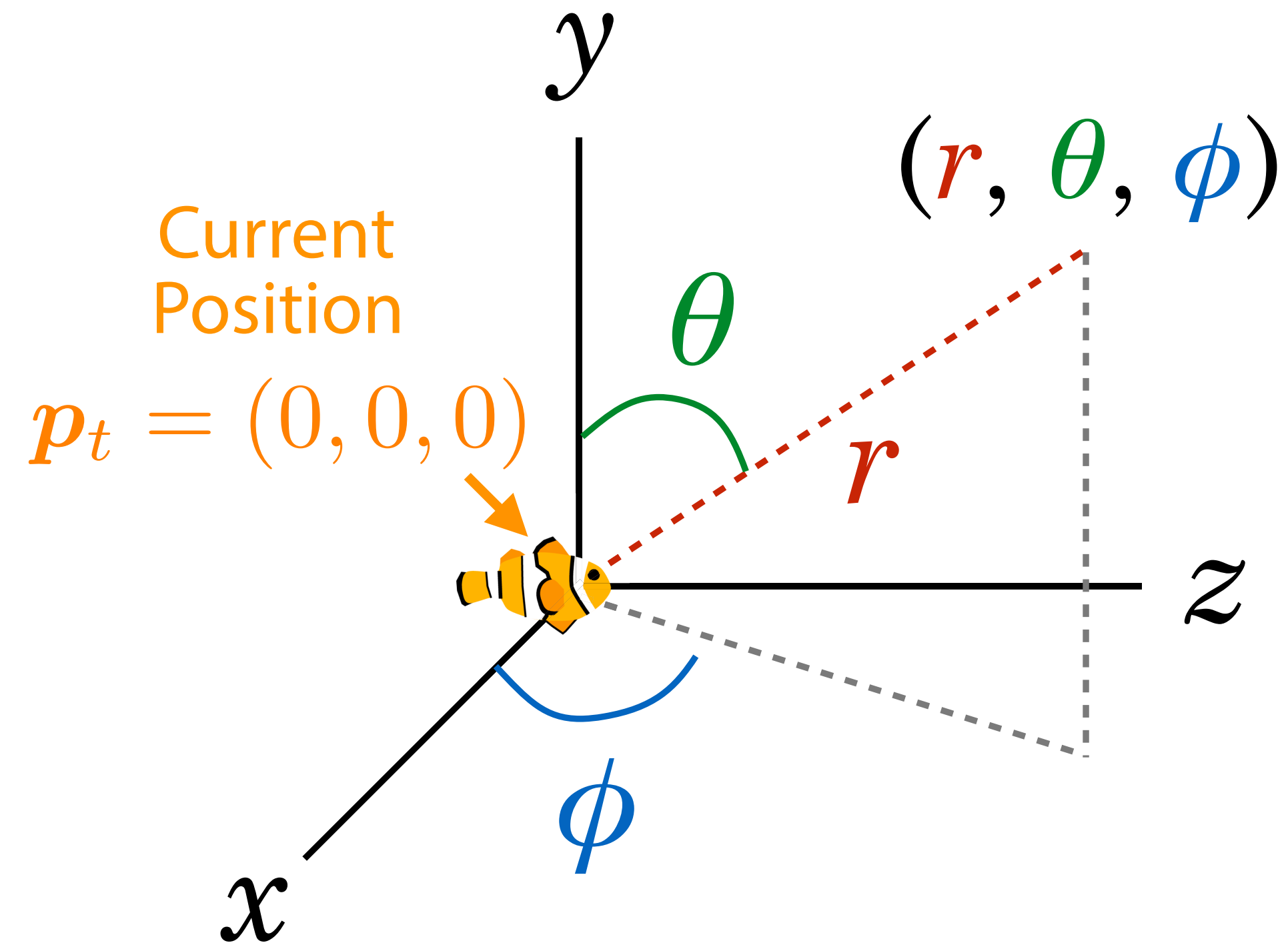
Constraint to
probability
distribution

Target position

3D probability distribution

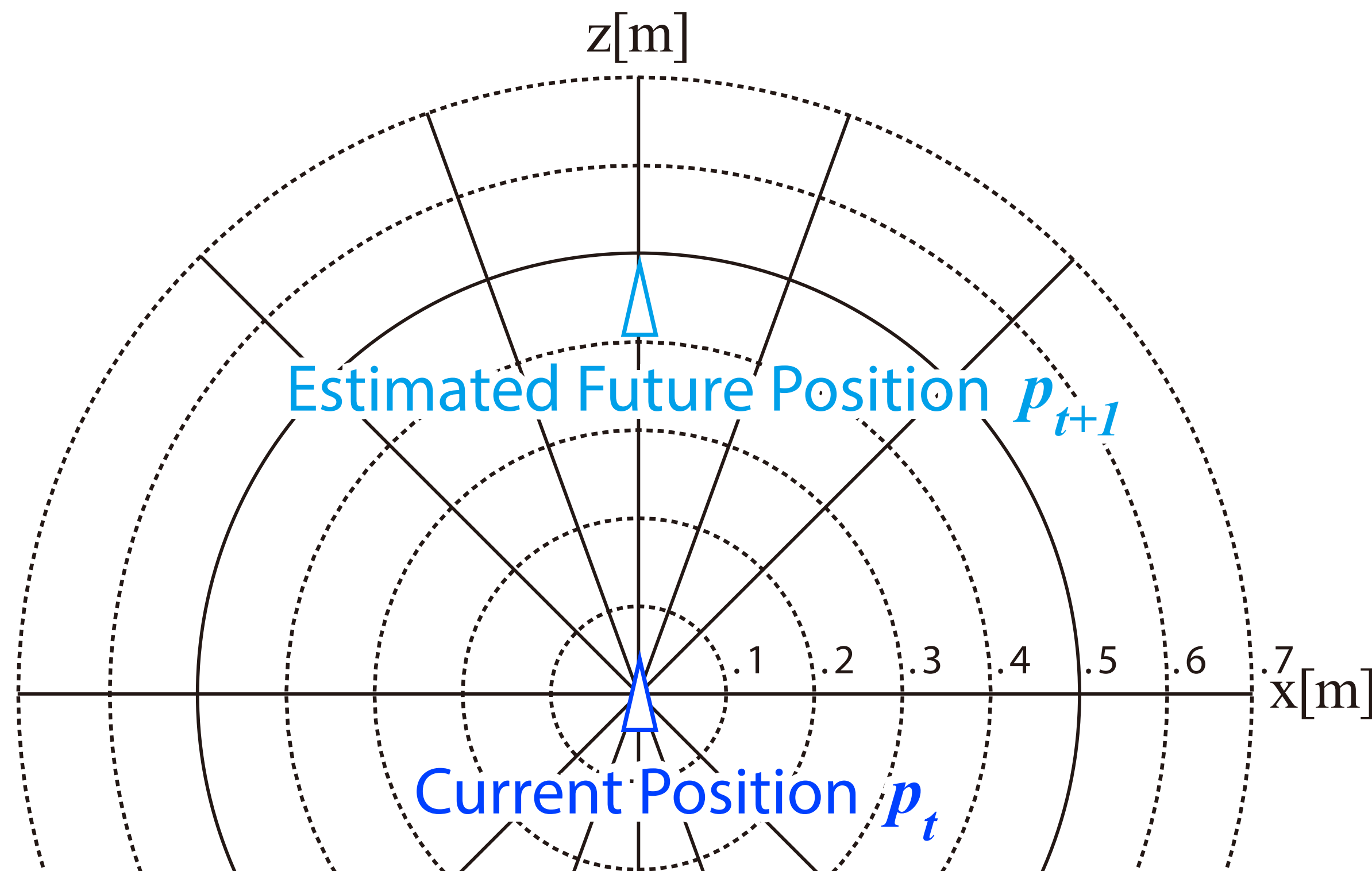


Local spherical coordinate



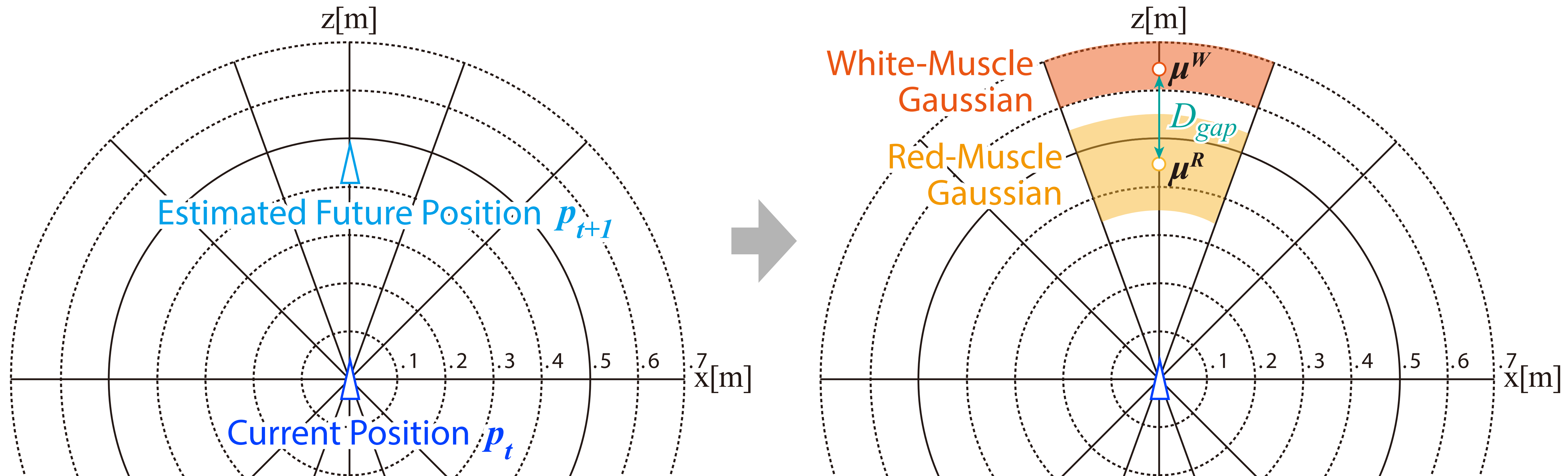
Target selection (1/6) - Estimate future position

- p_{t+1} : the position that will be reached
if the present transitional & angular speed is maintained throughout in next MU



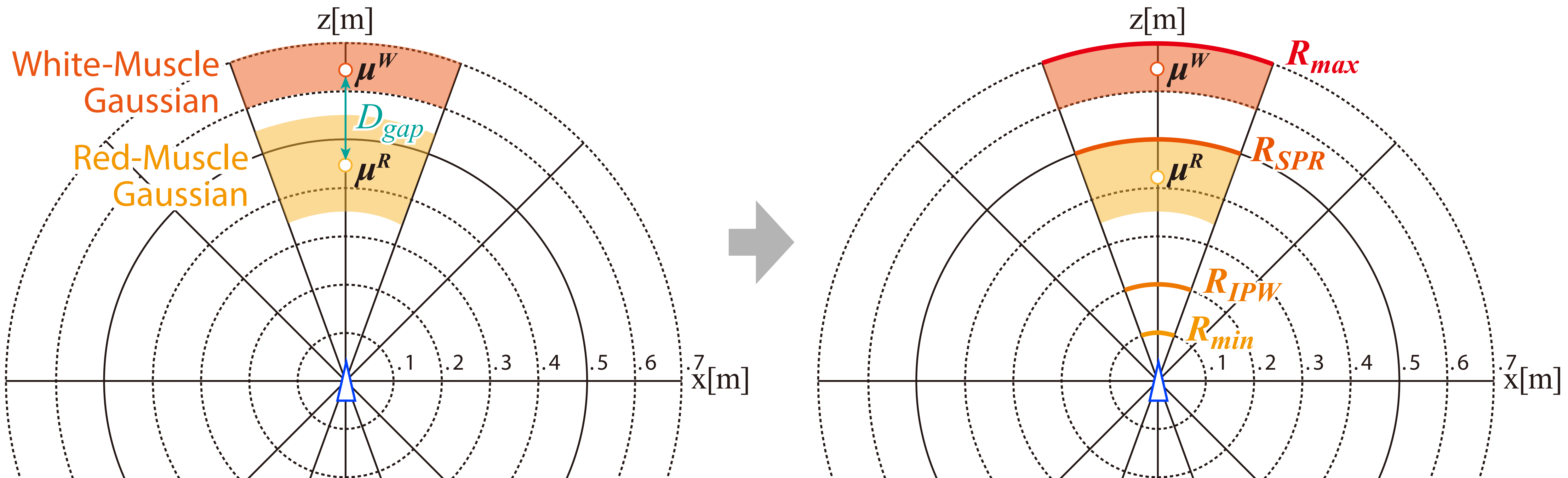
Target selection (2/6) - Initialize probability distributions

- Generate 3D gaussian distribution around p_{t+1}
- Two gaussians: using white muscle or red muscle



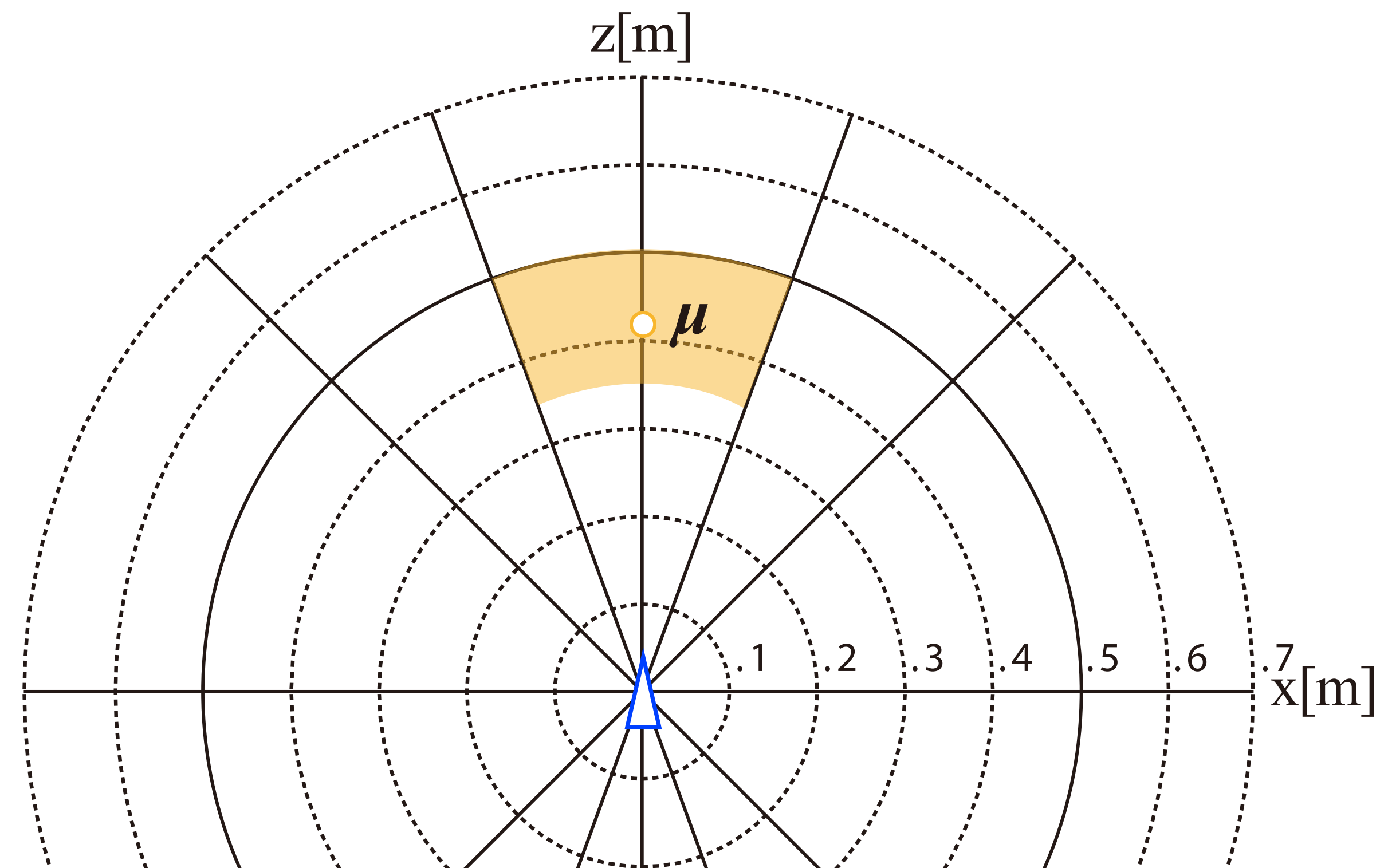
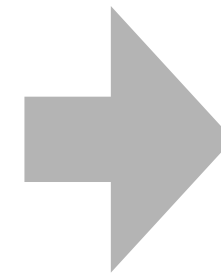
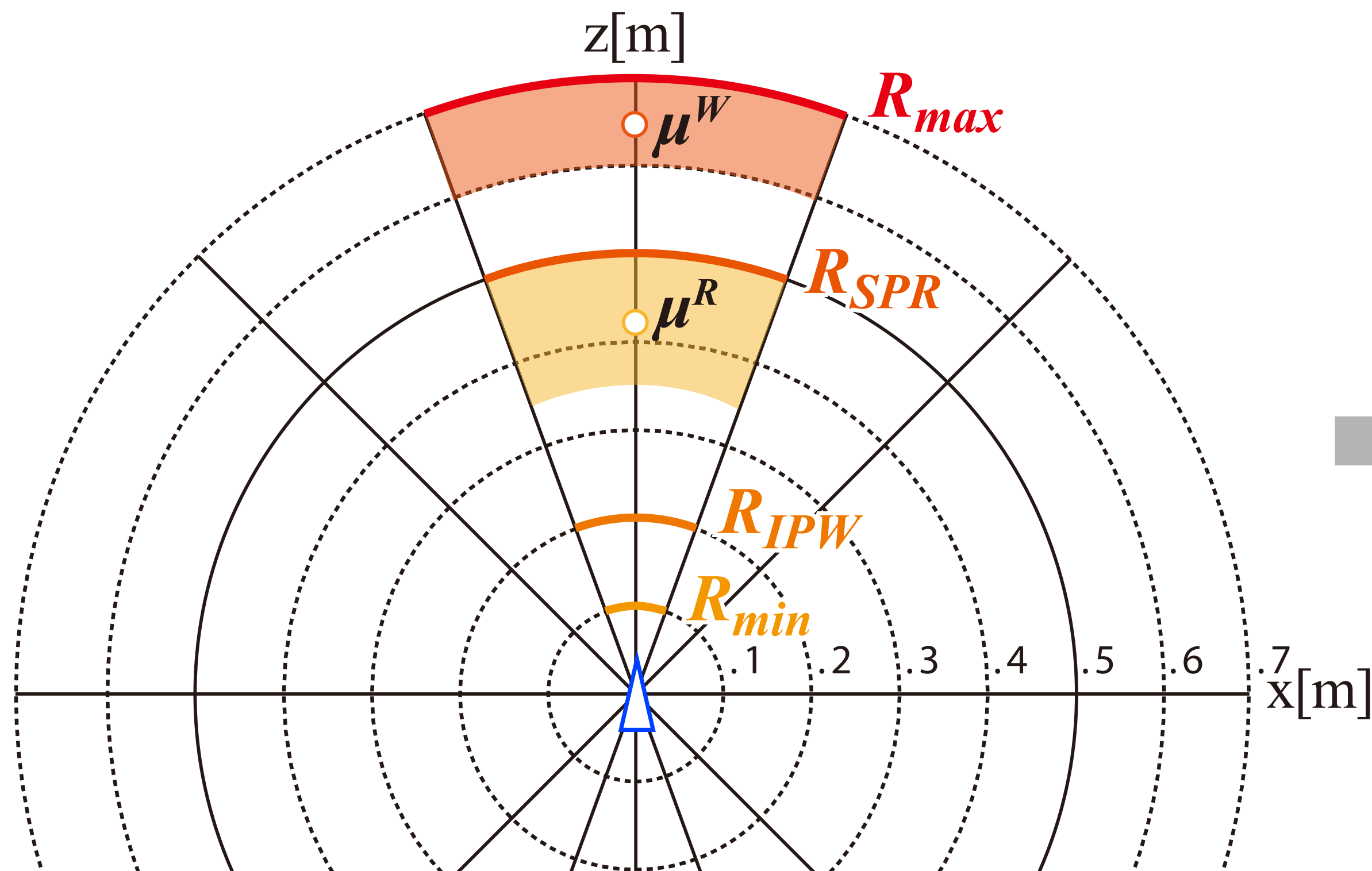
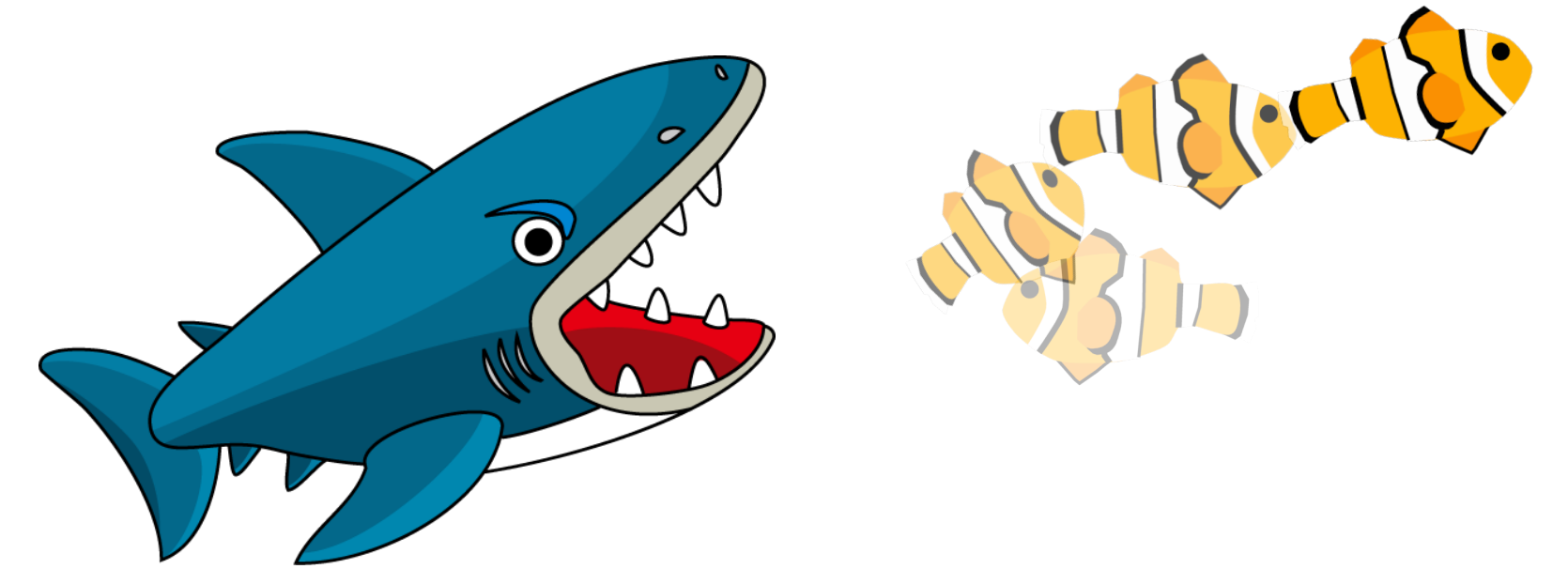
Target selection (3/6) - Constraint by speed characteristics

- ▶ R_{max} : the maximum possible speed of a fish species
- ▶ R_{SPR} : the maximum speed at which red muscles are the main muscles used
- ▶ R_{IPW} : the speed at which the white muscles start to become active
- ▶ R_{min} : the minimum speed required for swimming



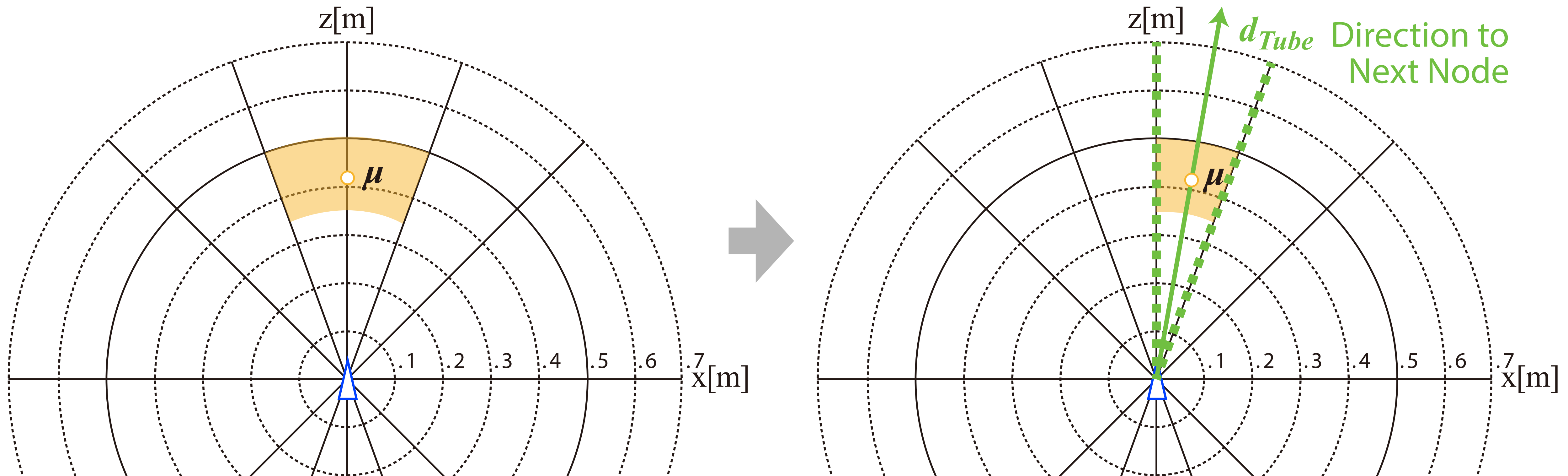
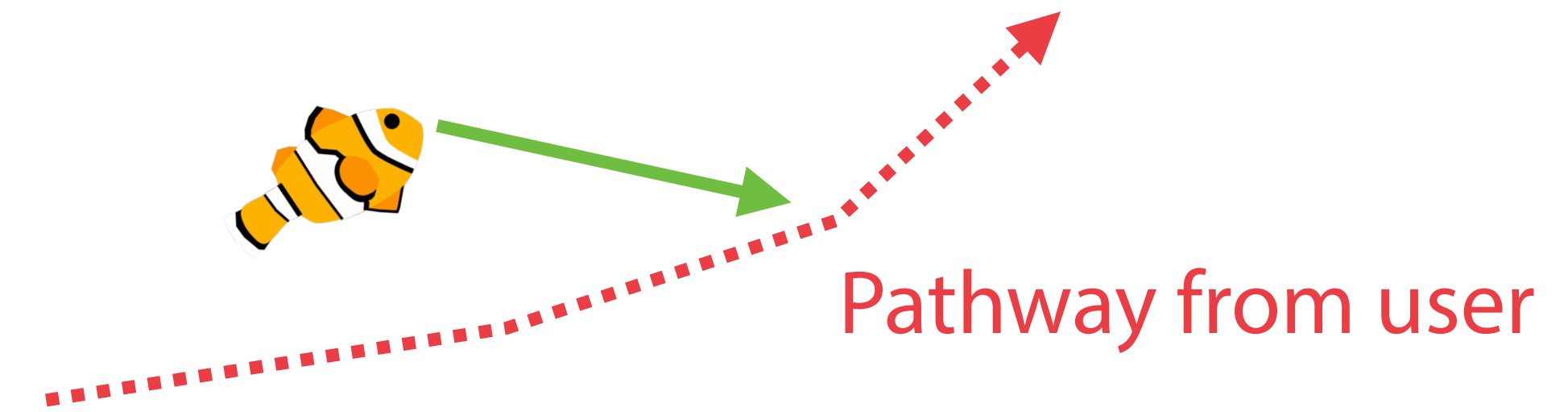
Target selection (4/6) - Constraint by behavior routines

- ▶ Fish select "*free swimming*", "*avoid*" or "*escape*" behavior
- ▶ In this example:
 - "free swimming" is selected -> use red muscle
 - > delete White-Muscle Gaussian



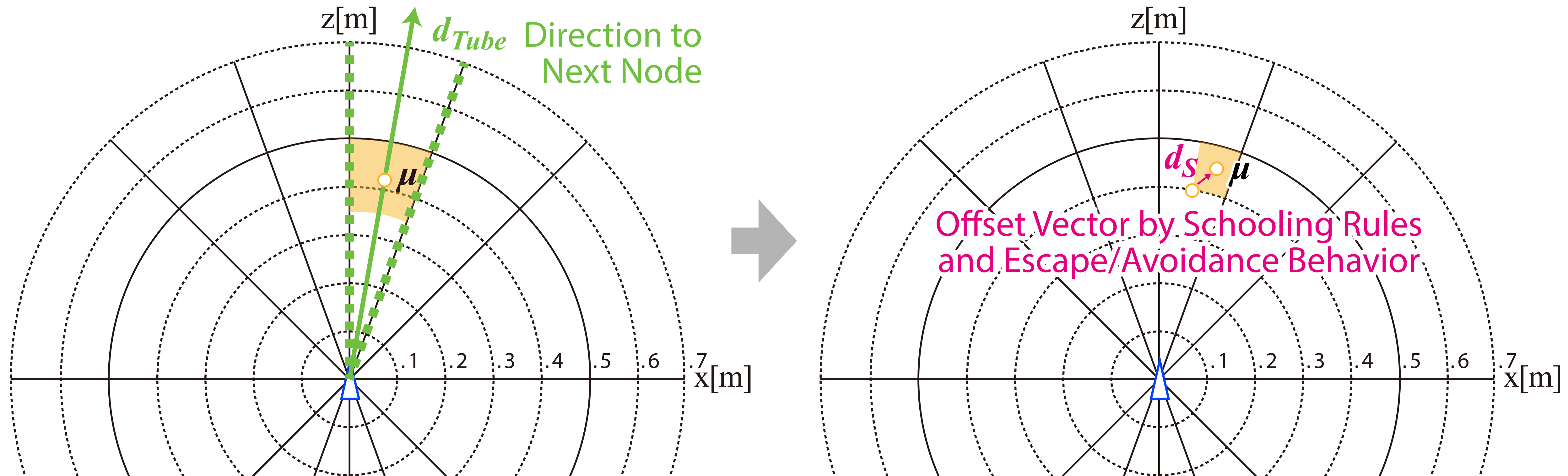
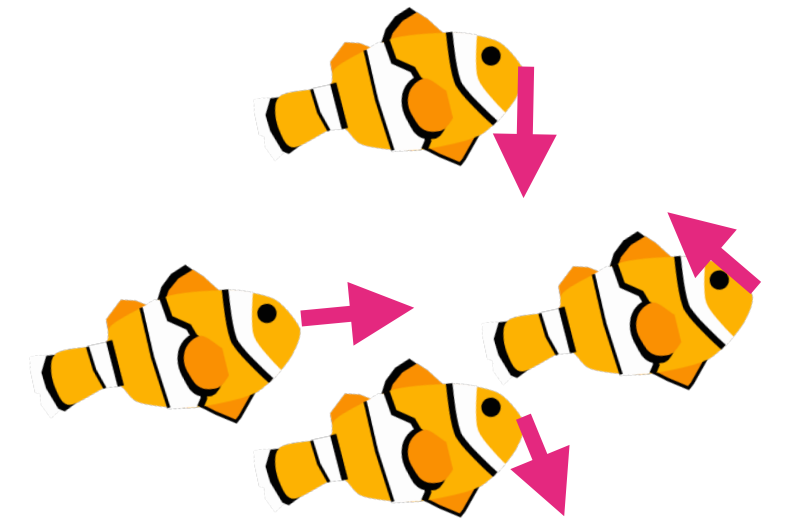
Target selection (5/6) - Constraint by path-following

- Probability distribution is clipped to within the set angle from d_{Tube}



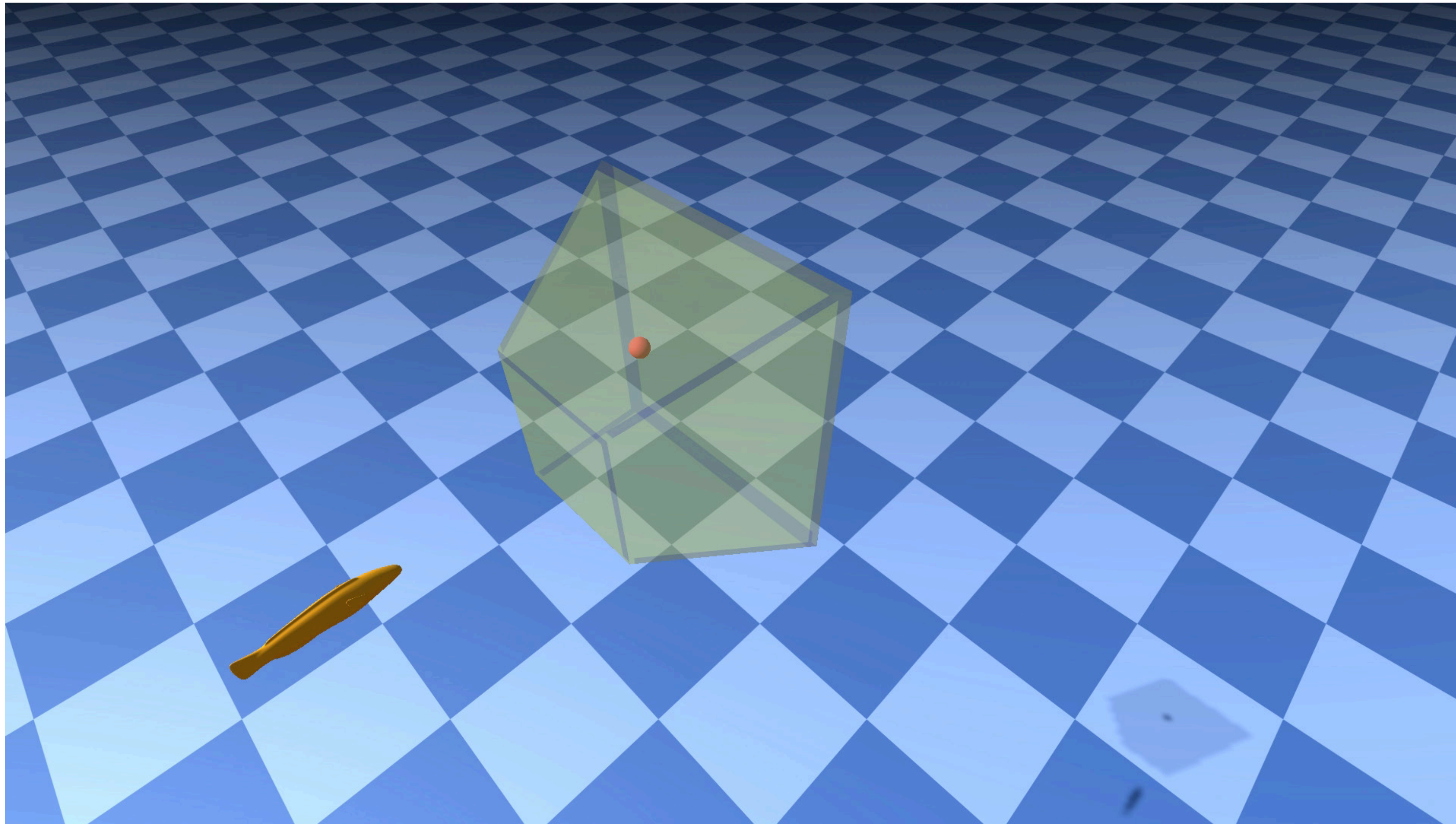
Target selection (6/6) - Constraint by schooling behavior

- ▶ Shift the mean μ using offset vector d_S by schooling behavior
- ▶ Use Boids algorithm [Reynolds 1987] to calculate d_S

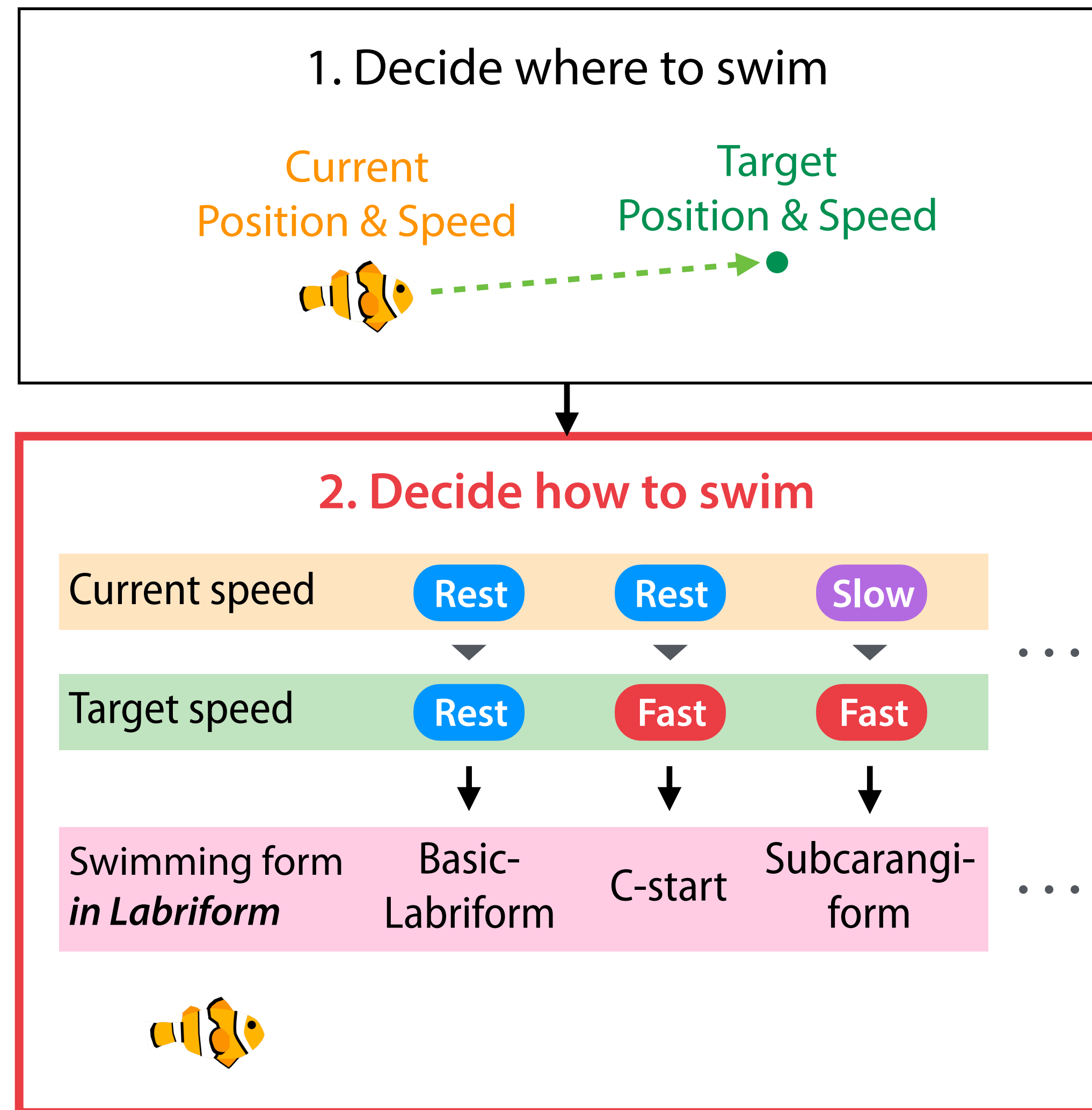


Locomotion control

- ▶ Fish always head for target position
 - acceleration \rightarrow uniformly-accelerated motion
 - angular acceleration \rightarrow turn toward target using PID control

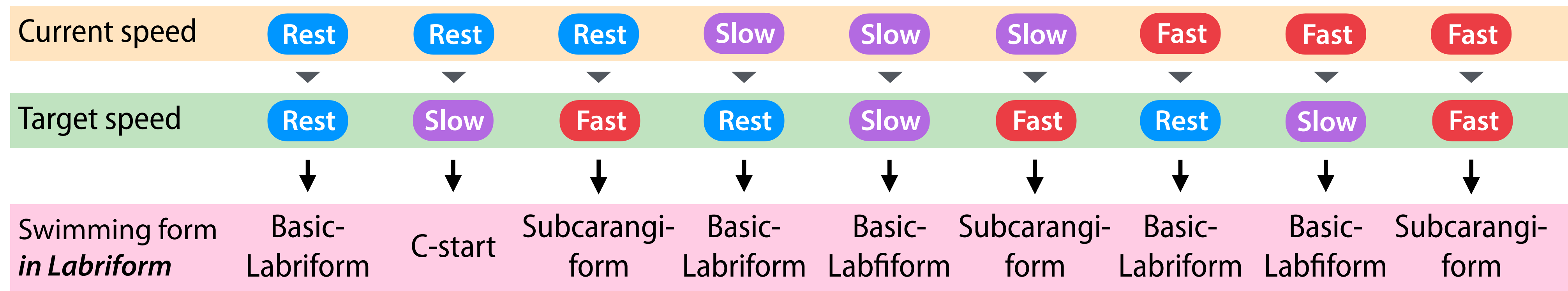


Swimming form selection & Skeleton control



Basic concept of Swimming form selection

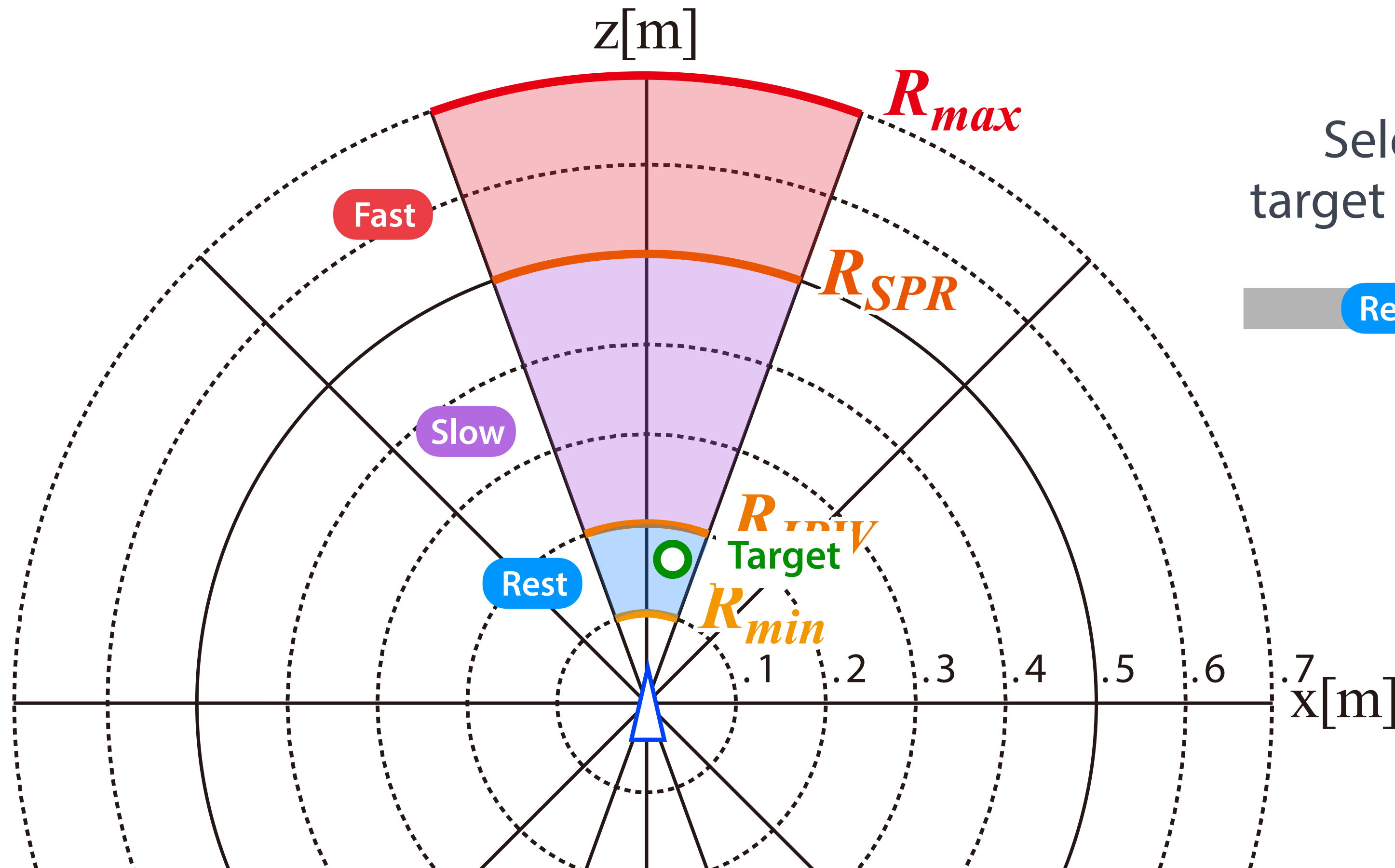
- ▶ Based on the **transition of qualitative speed**
 - $3 \times 3 = 9$ combinations
 - Partially adopted knowledges in fish physiology [Archer and Johnston 1989; Walker 2000; Hove+ 2001]



Estimate target speed

- Select **Rest**, **Slow**, or **Fast** by using r'_{t+1}
 r'_{t+1} : r component of target position

$$U_{Q_{t+1}} = \begin{cases} [\text{Rest}] & \text{if } R_{min} \leq r'_{t+1} < R_{IPW} \\ [\text{Slow}] & \text{if } R_{IPW} \leq r'_{t+1} < R_{SPR} \\ [\text{Fast}] & \text{if } R_{SPR} \leq r'_{t+1} \leq R_{max} \end{cases}$$



Select
target speed



Current speed

Rest

Target speed

Rest

Swimming form
in Labriform

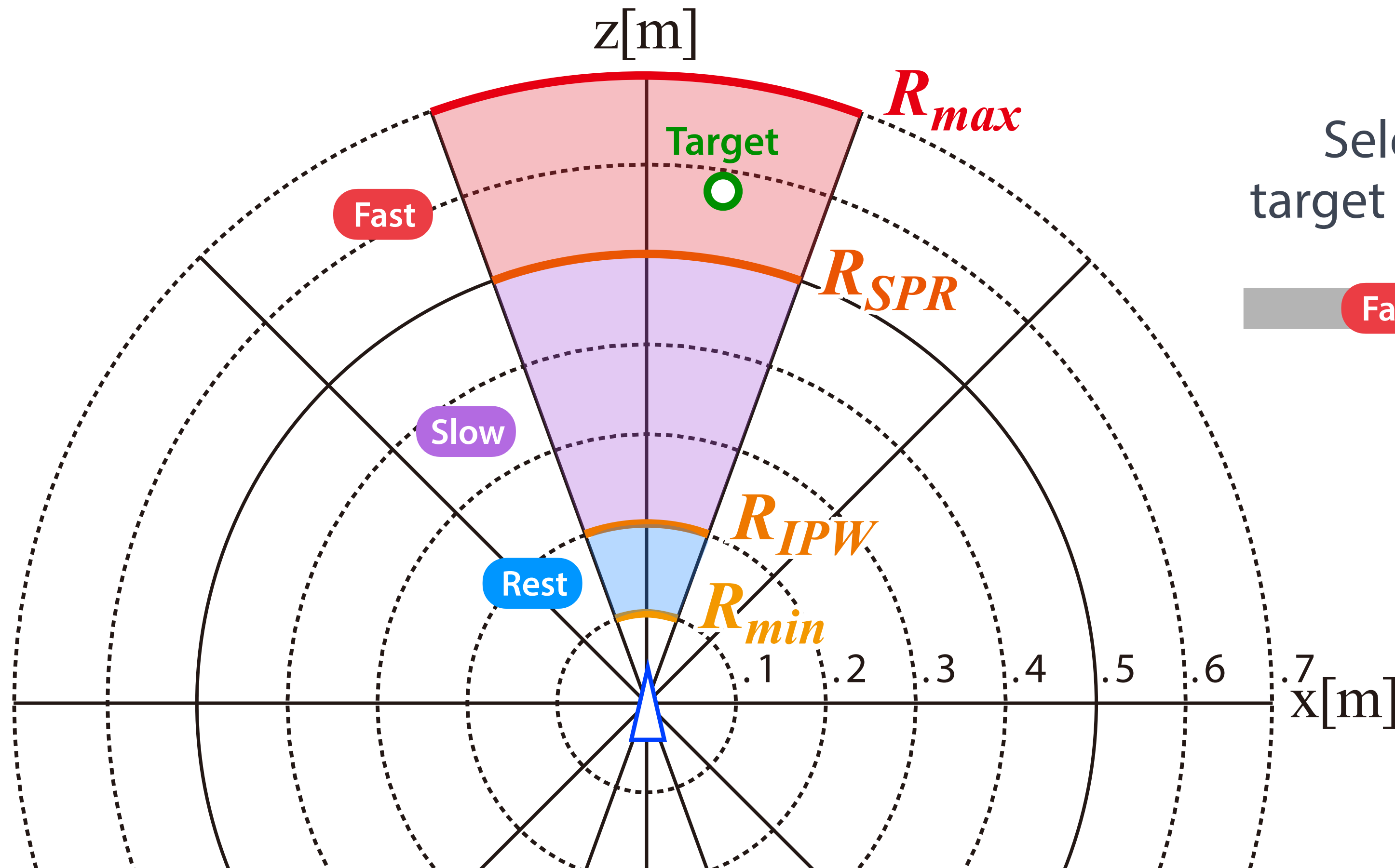
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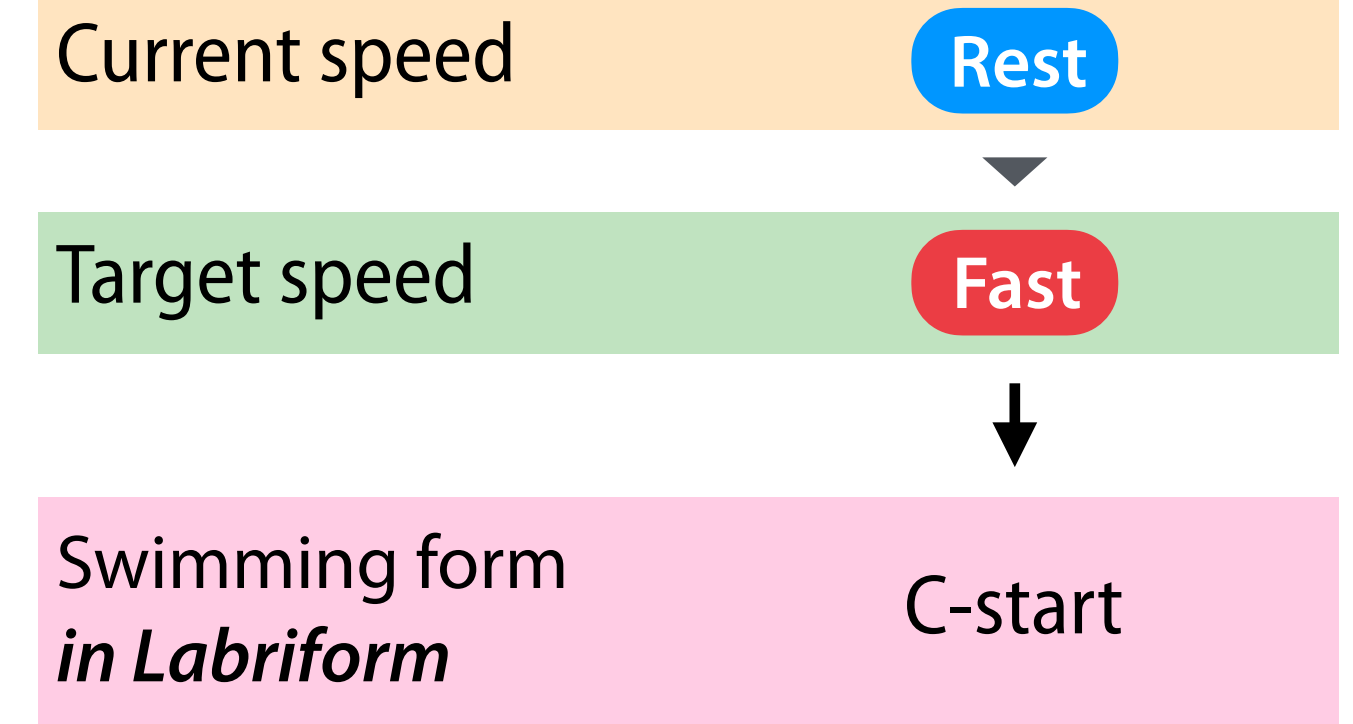
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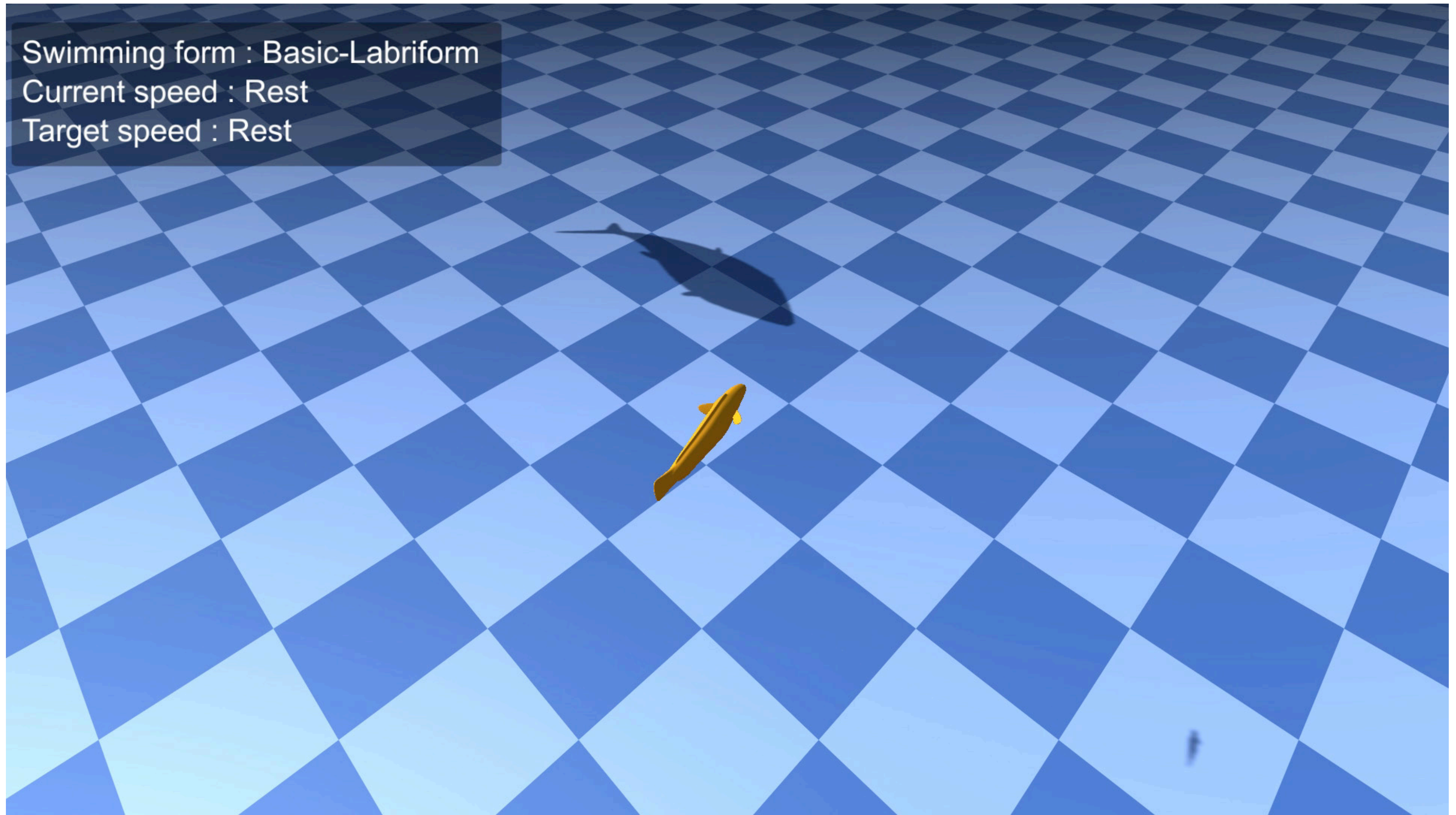
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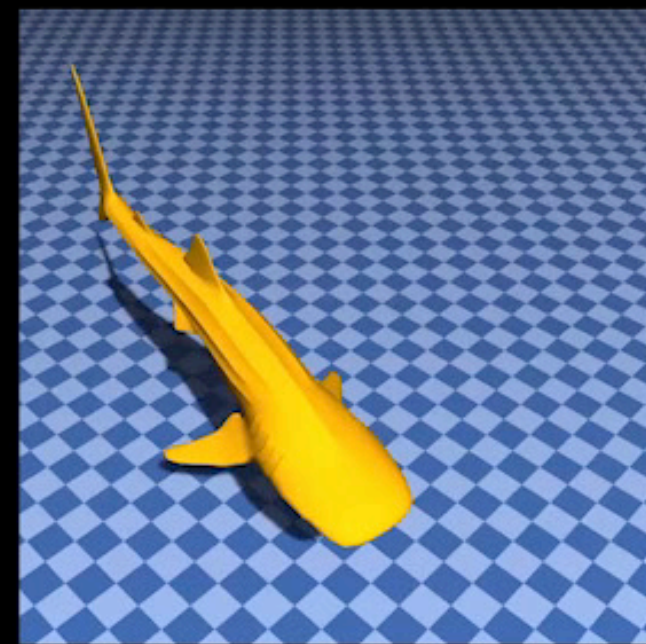
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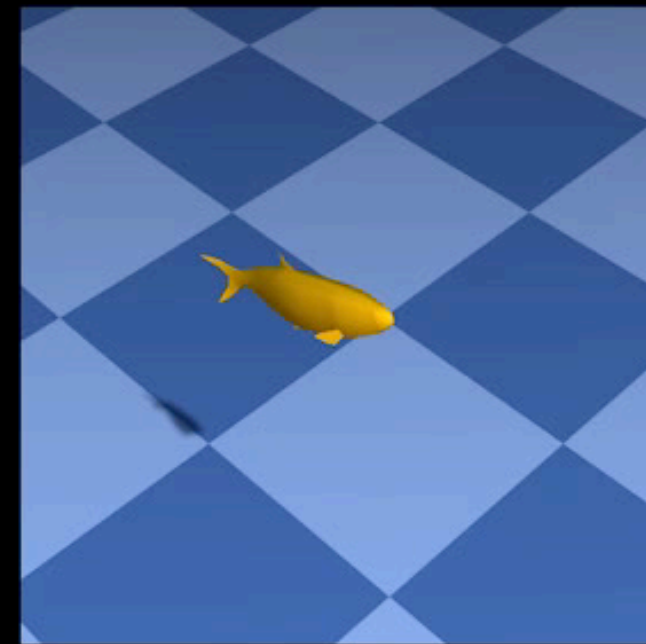
Results - Switch swimming form



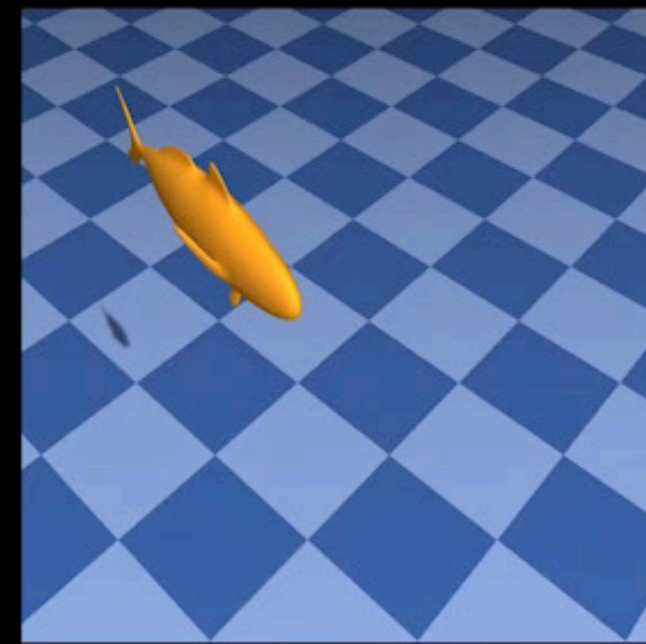
Results - 12 Swimming modes comparison



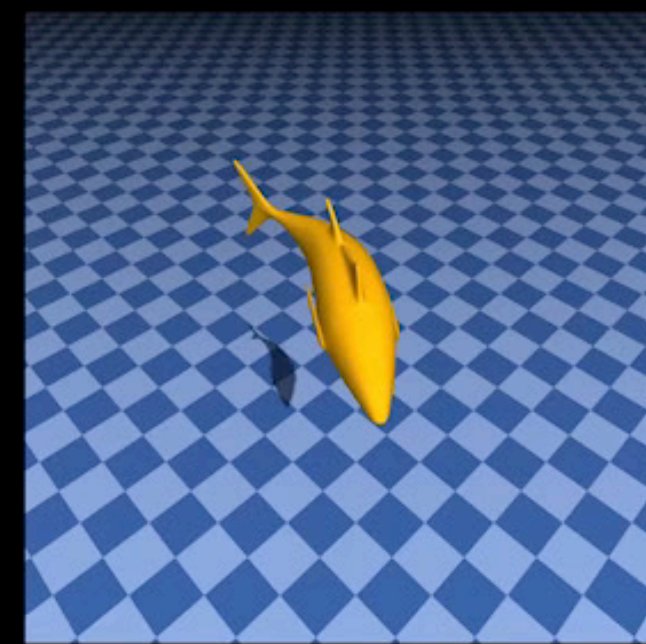
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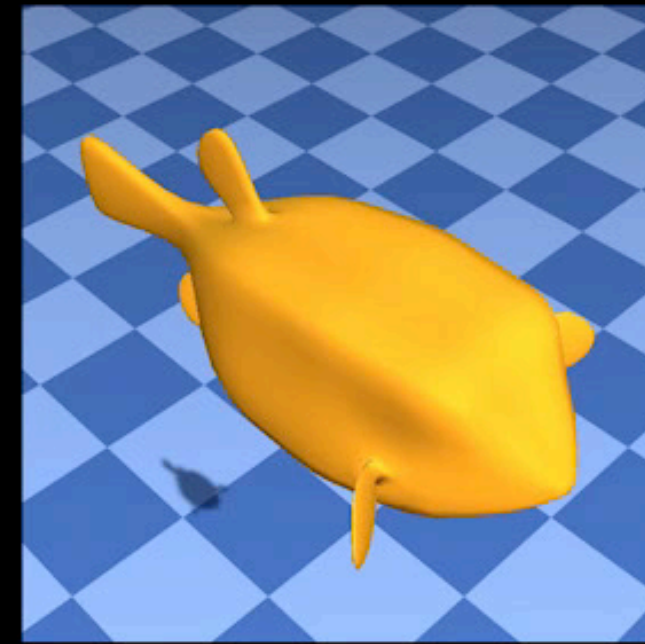
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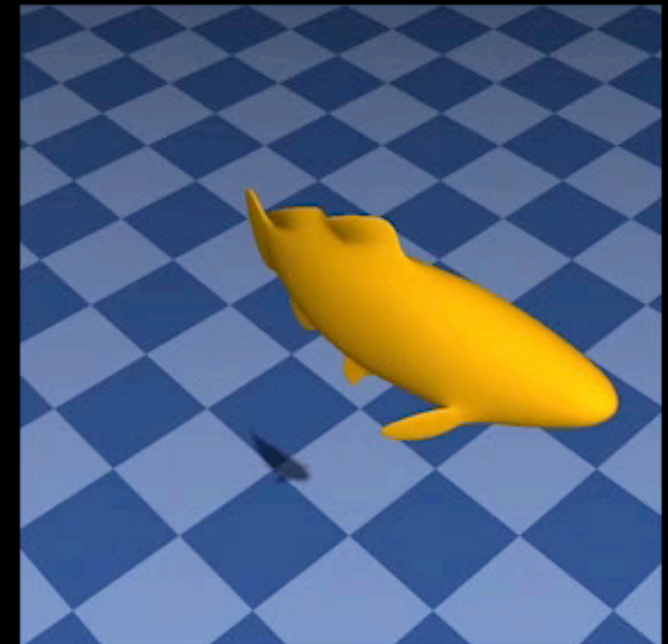
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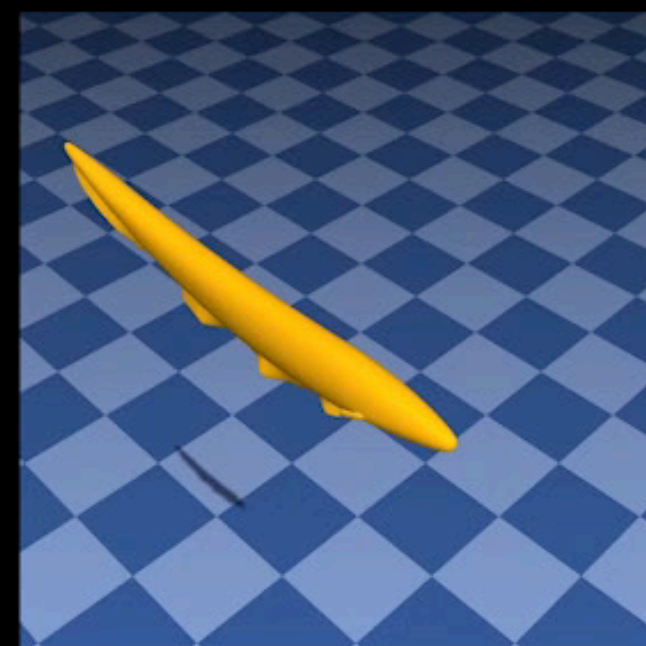
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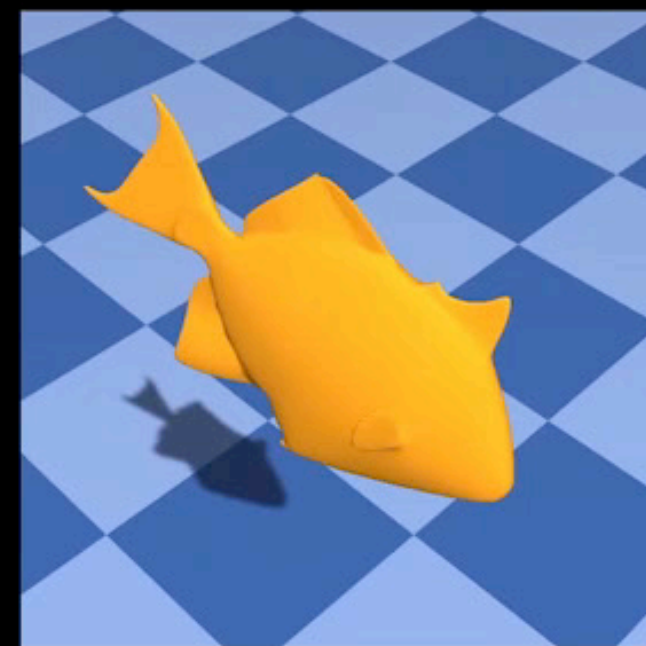
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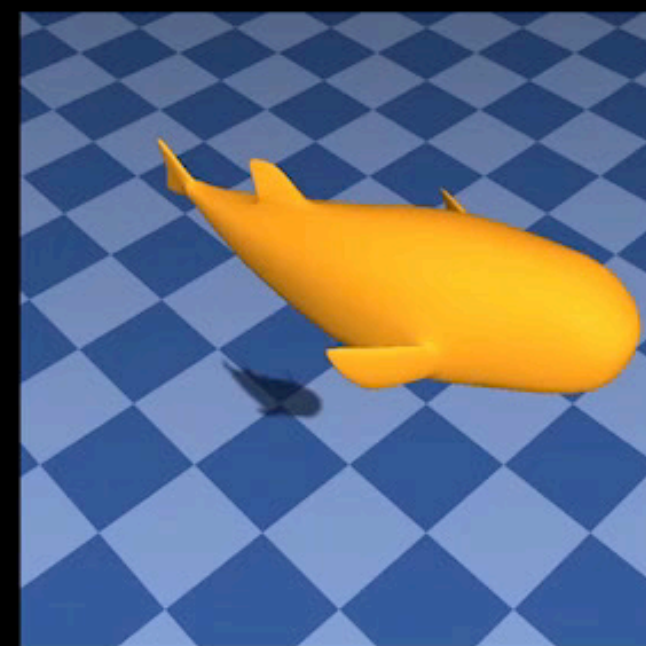
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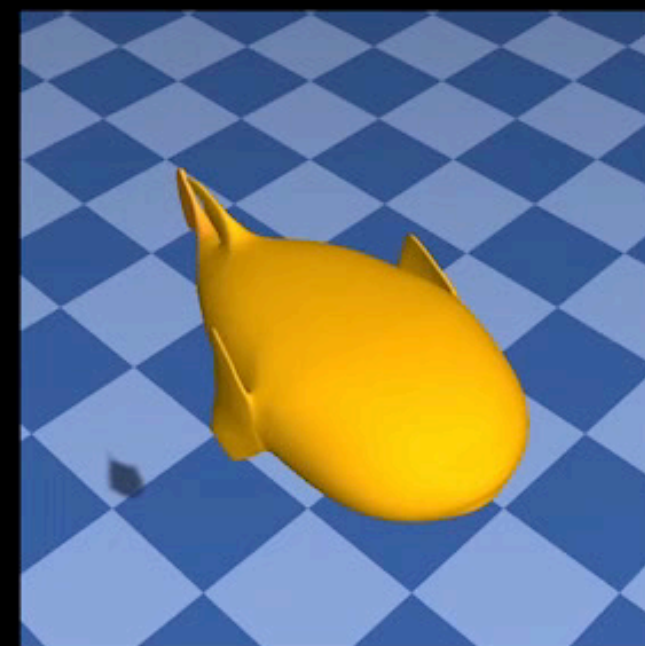
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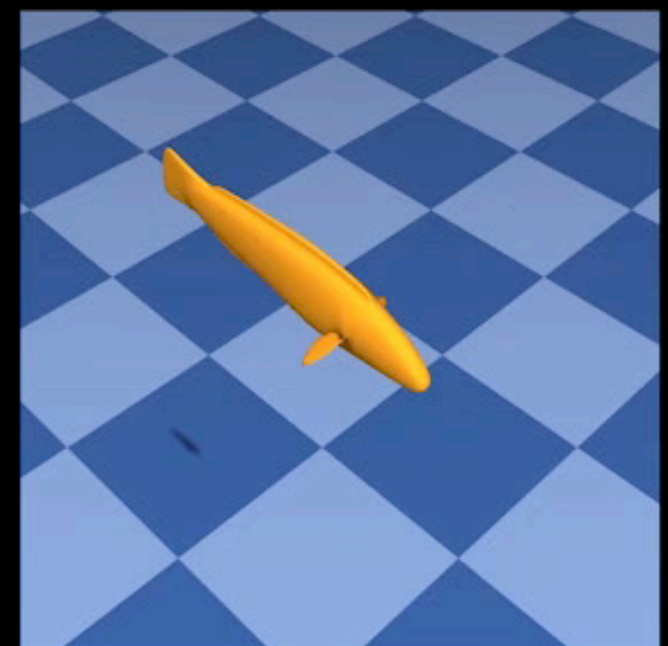
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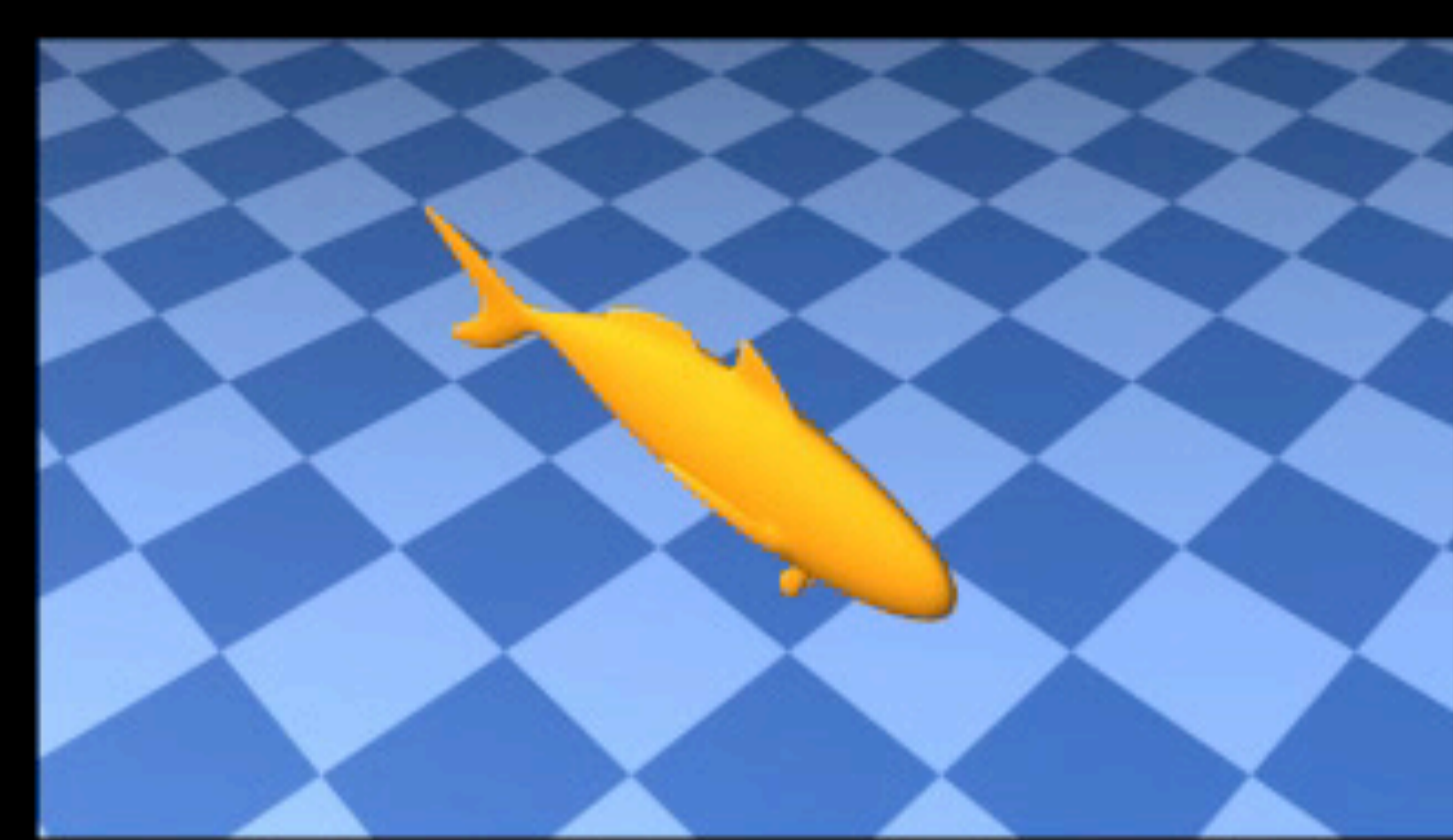


Diodontiform



Labriform

Results - Motion parameters comparison

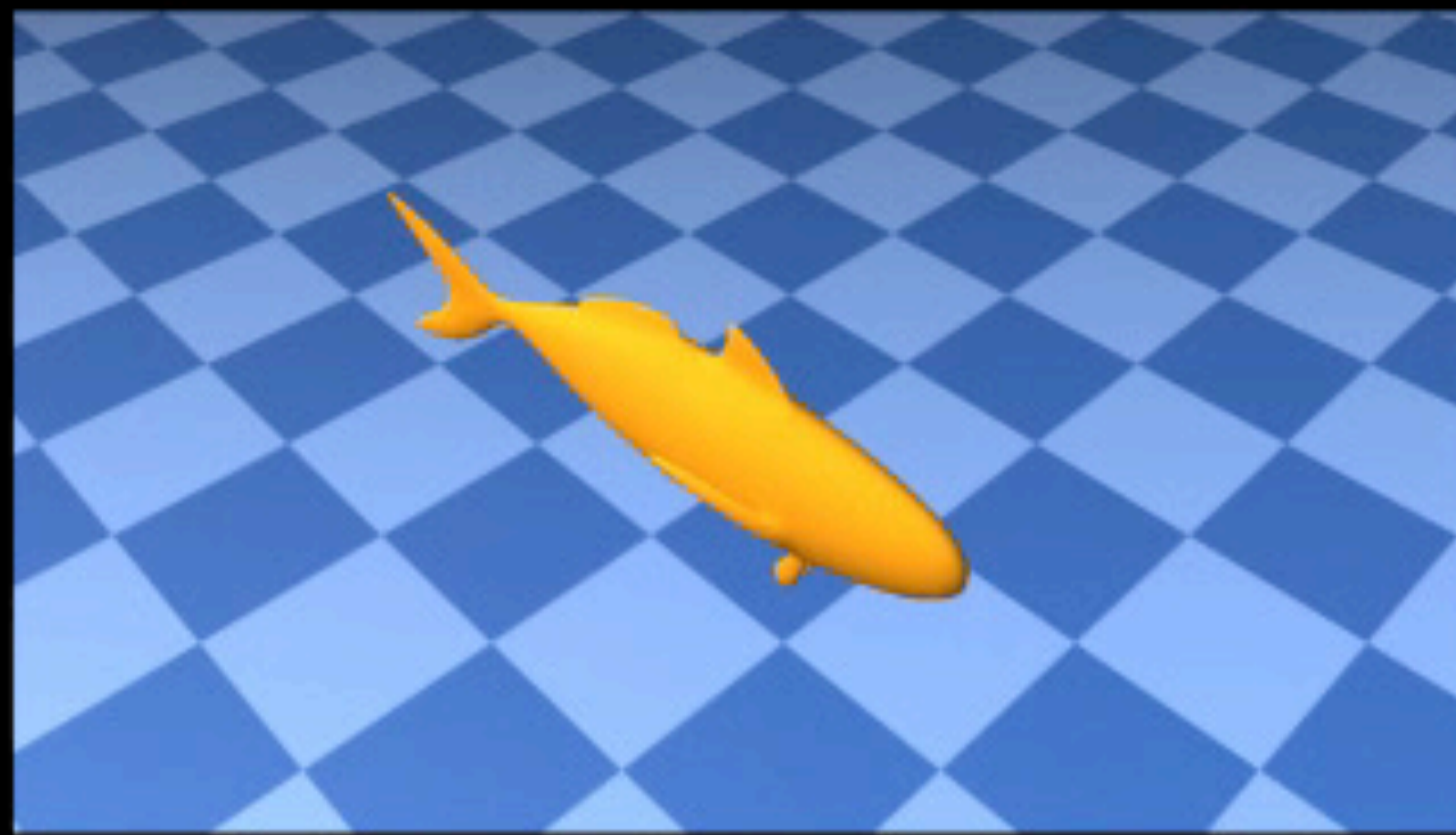


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$$U_{max} = 0.8$$

$$U_{SPR} = 0.25$$

$$U_{min} = 0.03$$

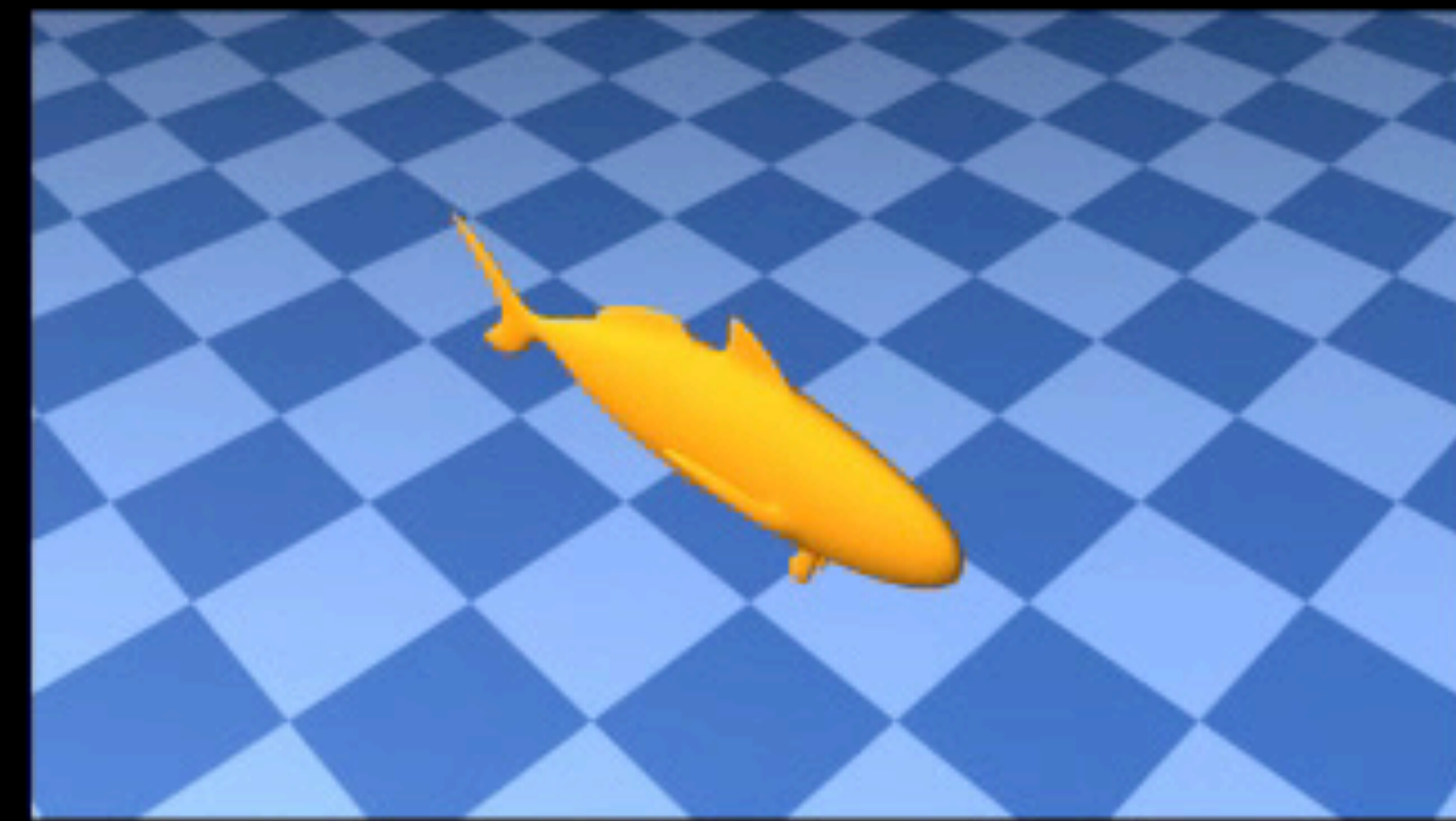


$$T_{MU} = 0.1$$

$$U_{max} = 3$$

$$U_{SPR} = 1$$

$$U_{min} = 0.075$$



$$T_{MU} = 0.5$$

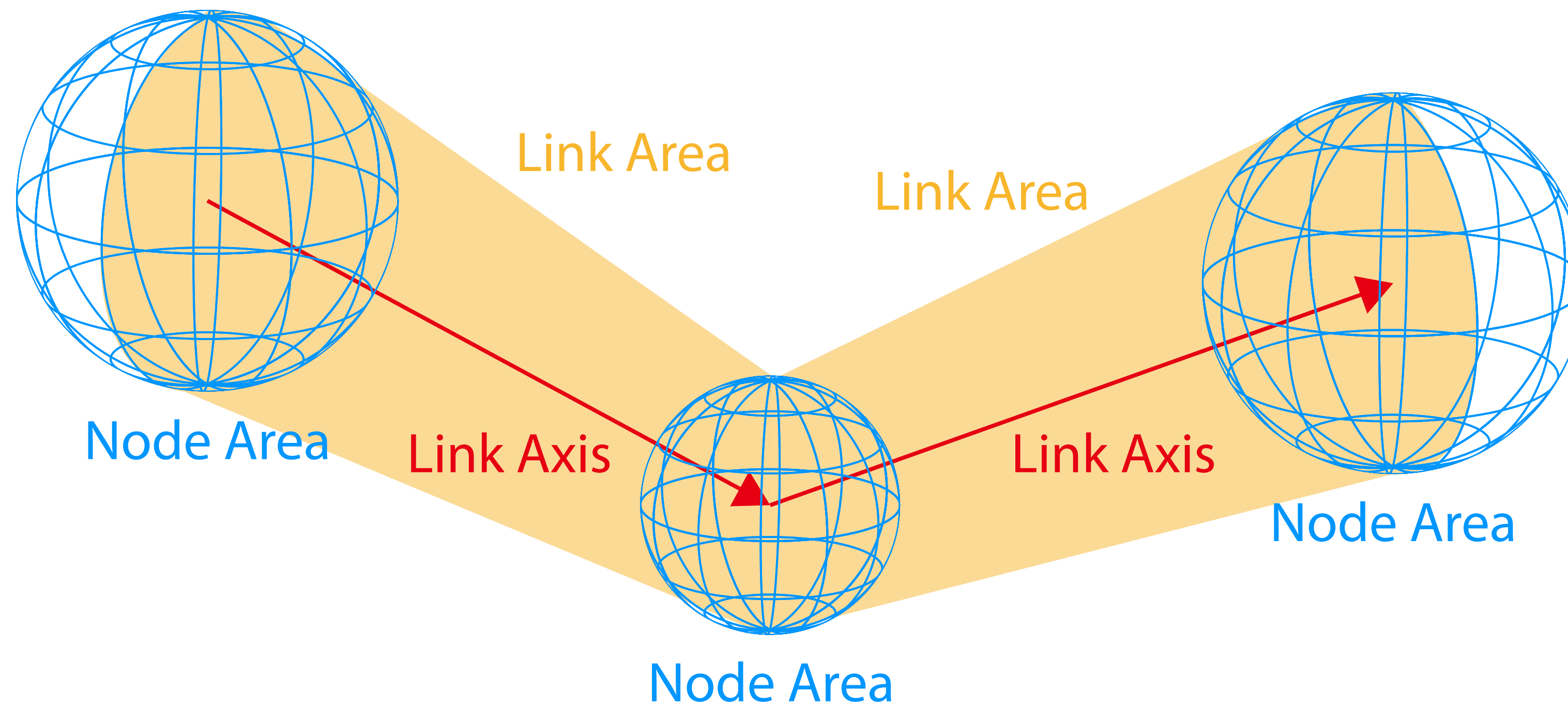
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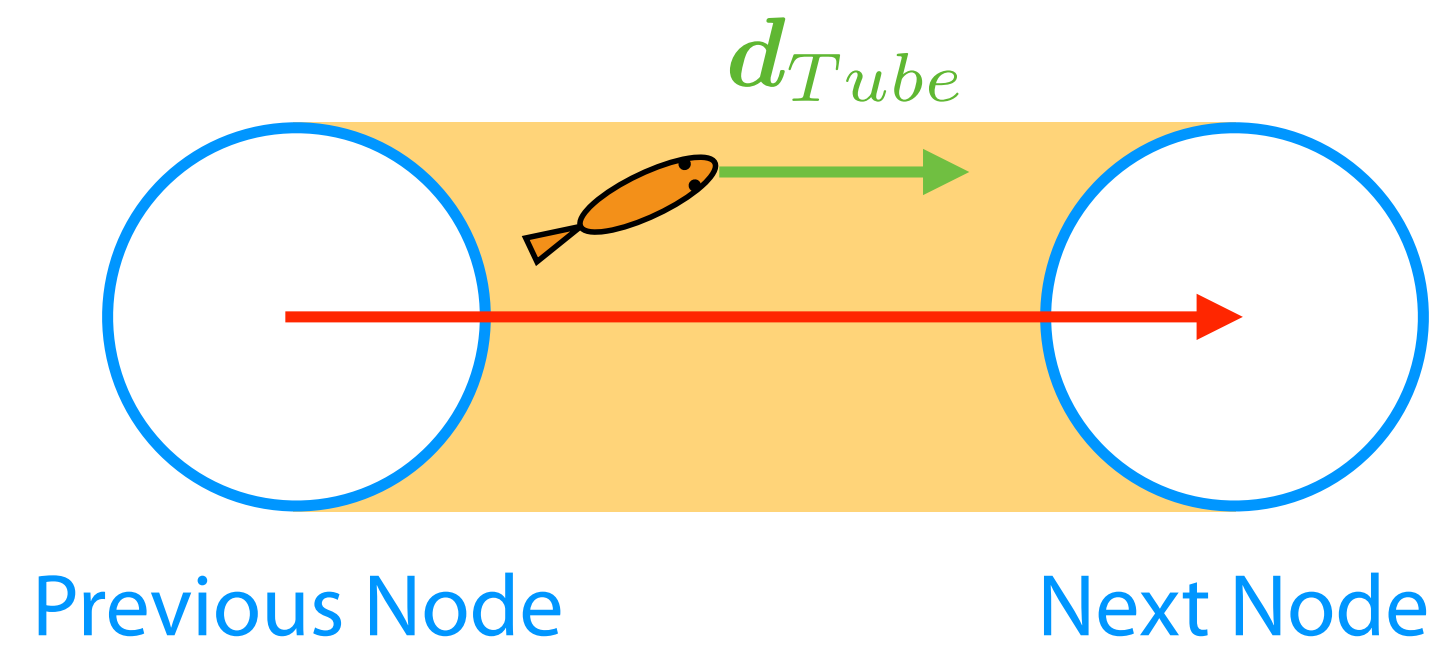
Tube-following

- Basic concept: represent fish school as “flow”

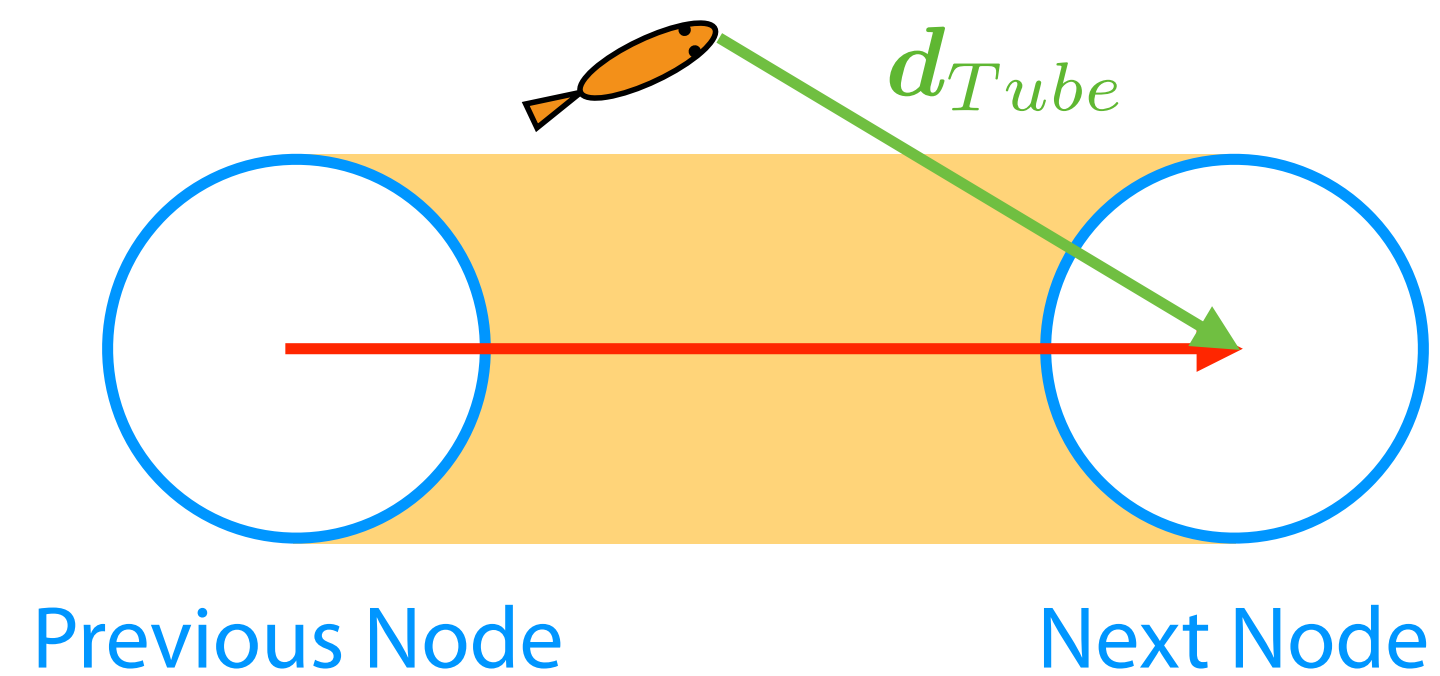


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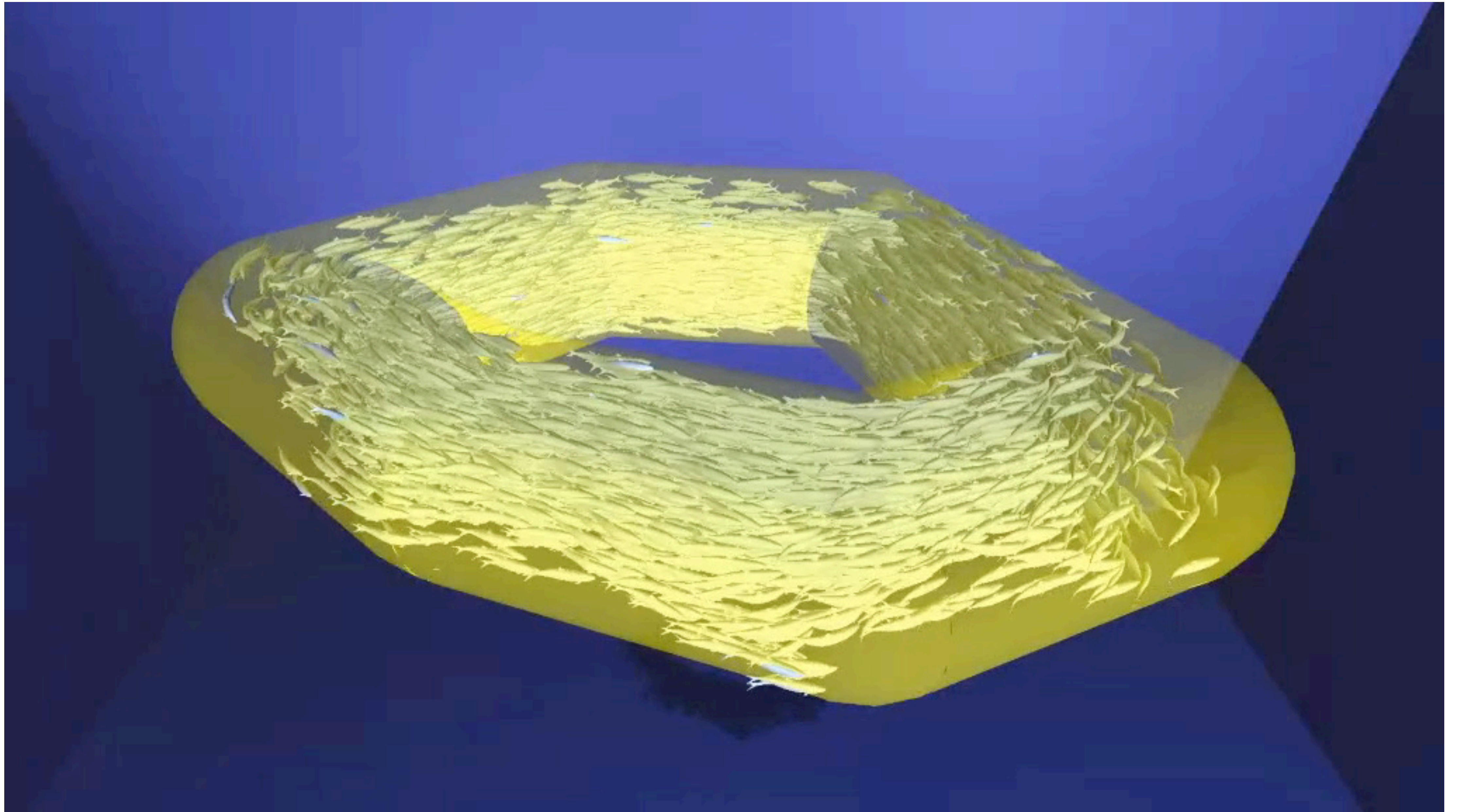
- If fish is inside the Link Area



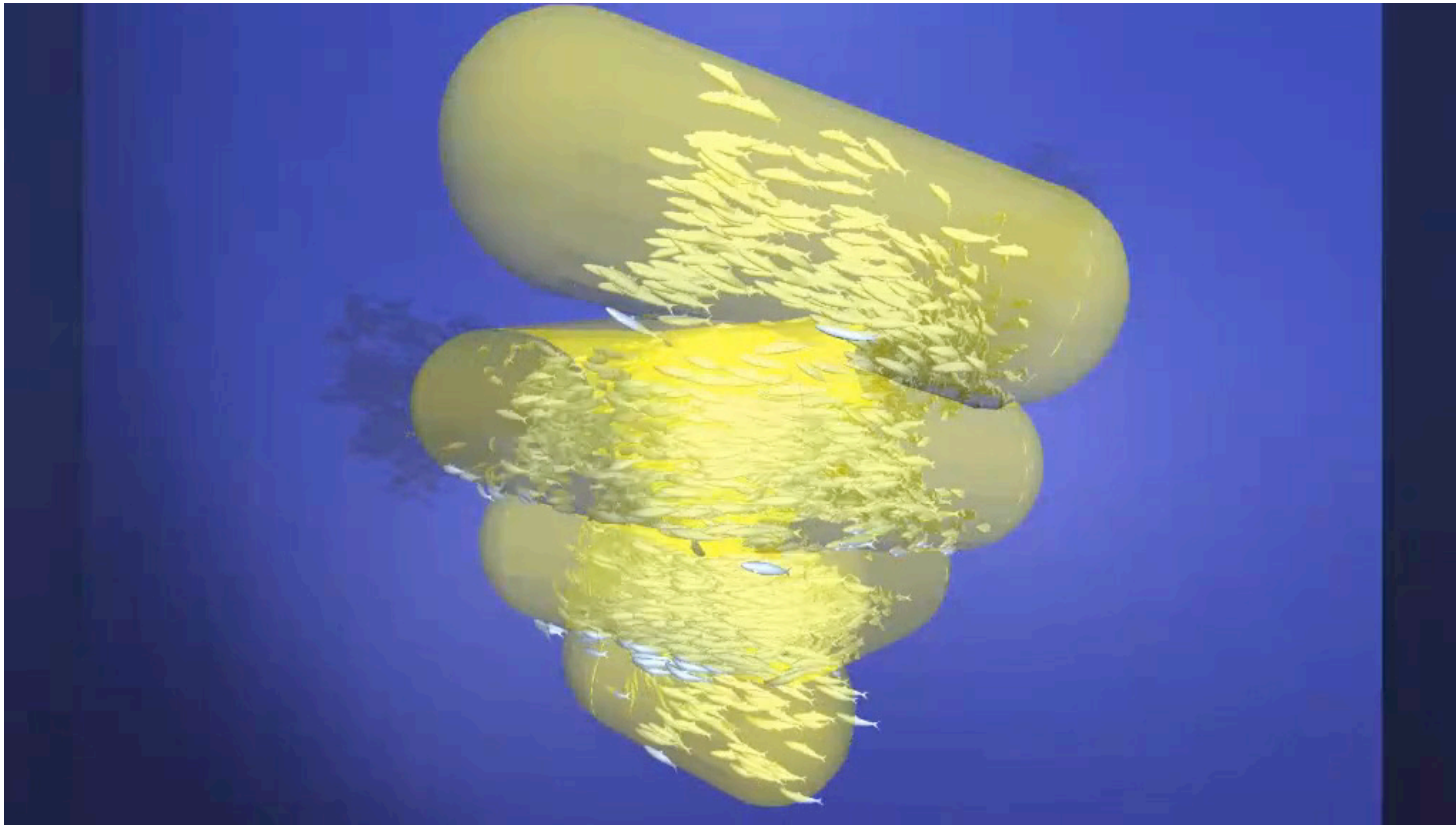
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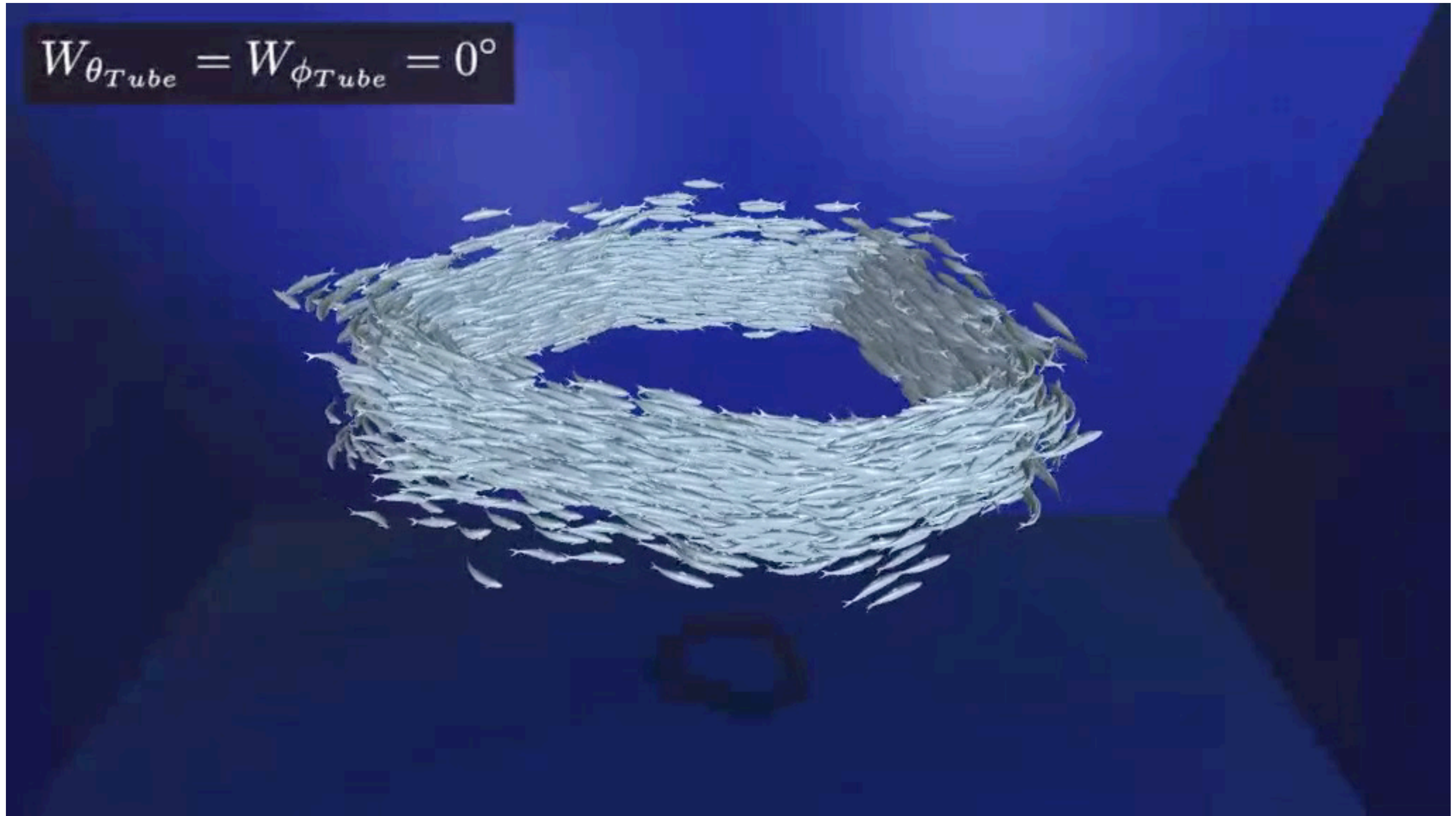
Results - Fish school - Torus



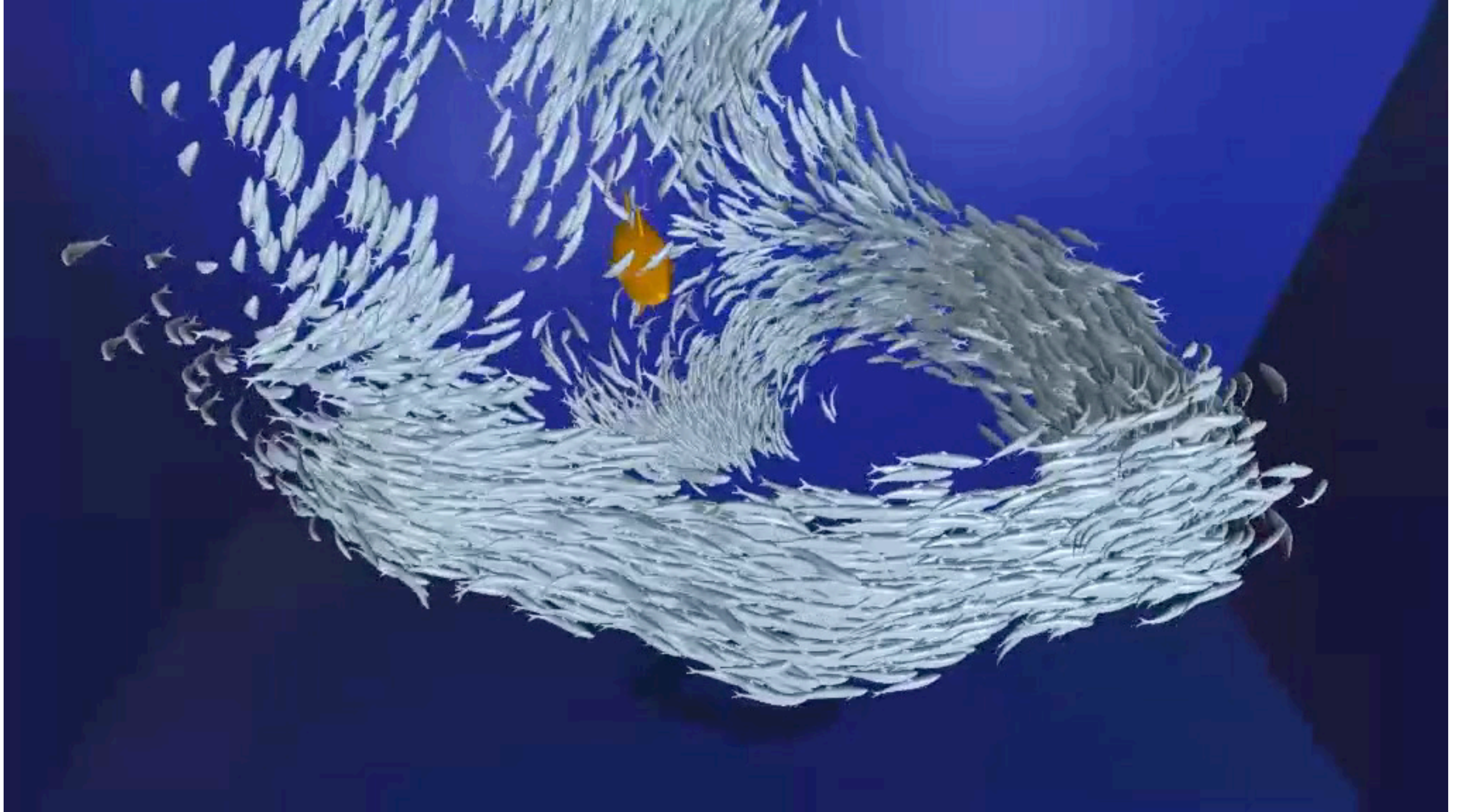
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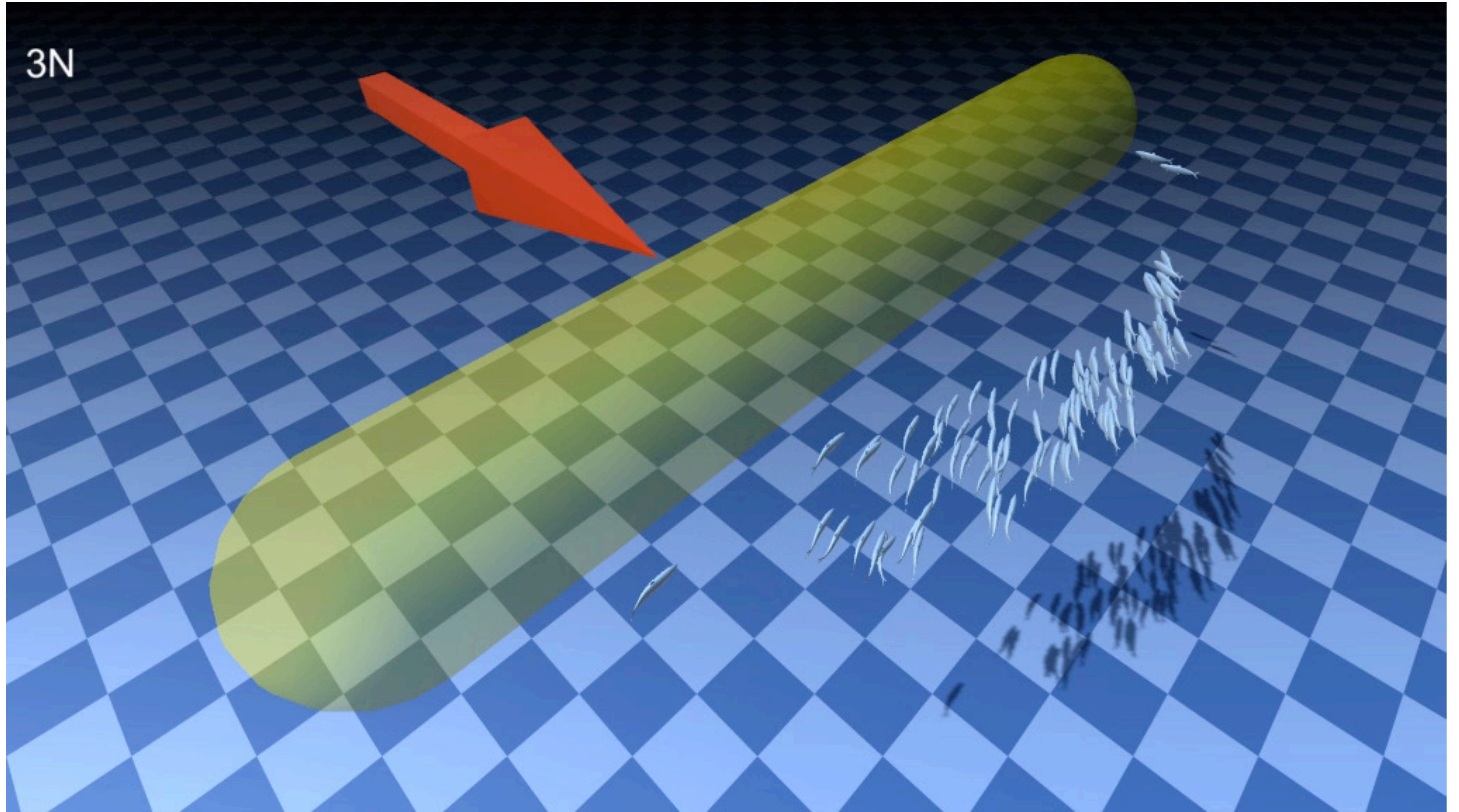
Results - Tube parameters comparison



Results - Escape from predator



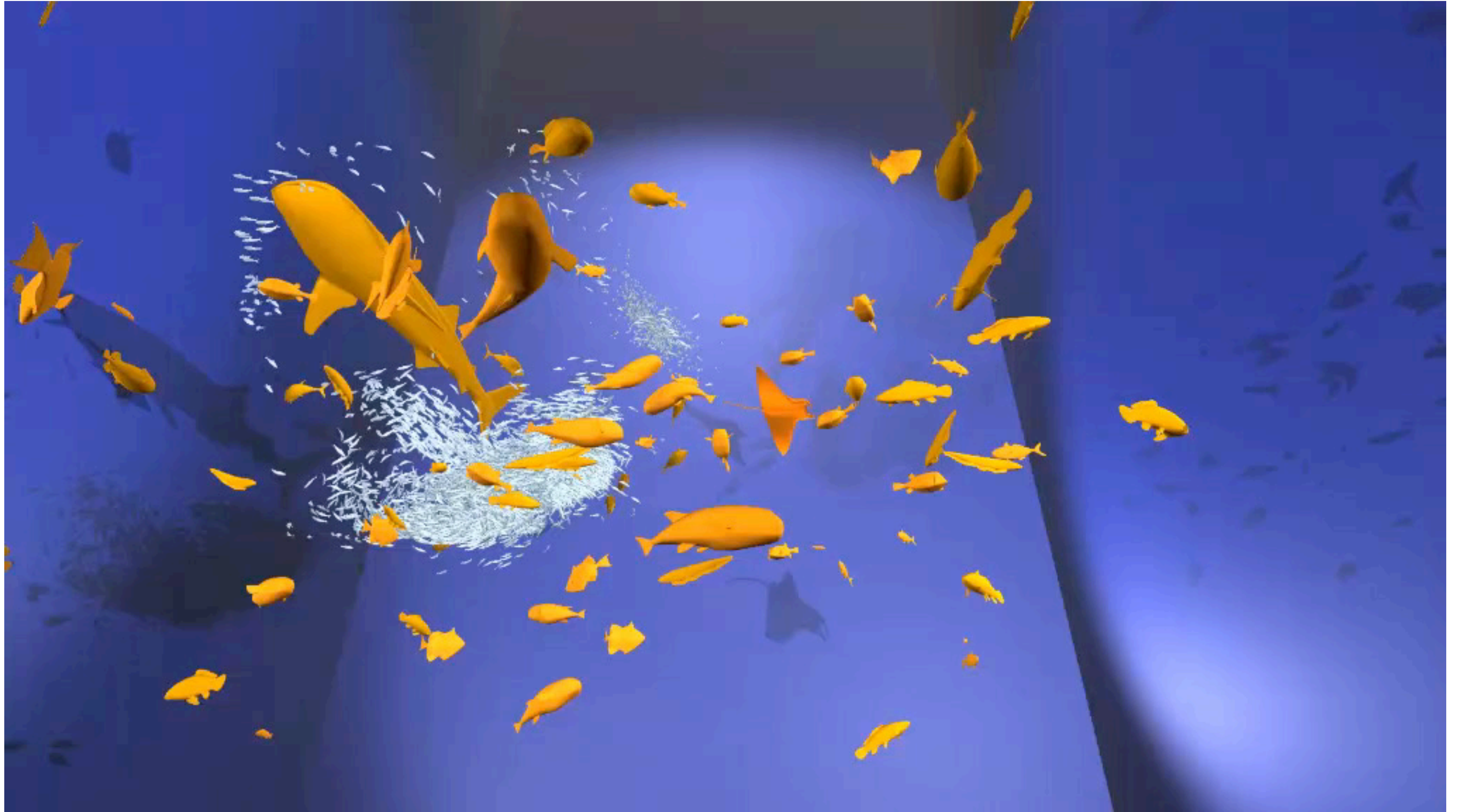
Results - Robustness



Results - Interactive Application



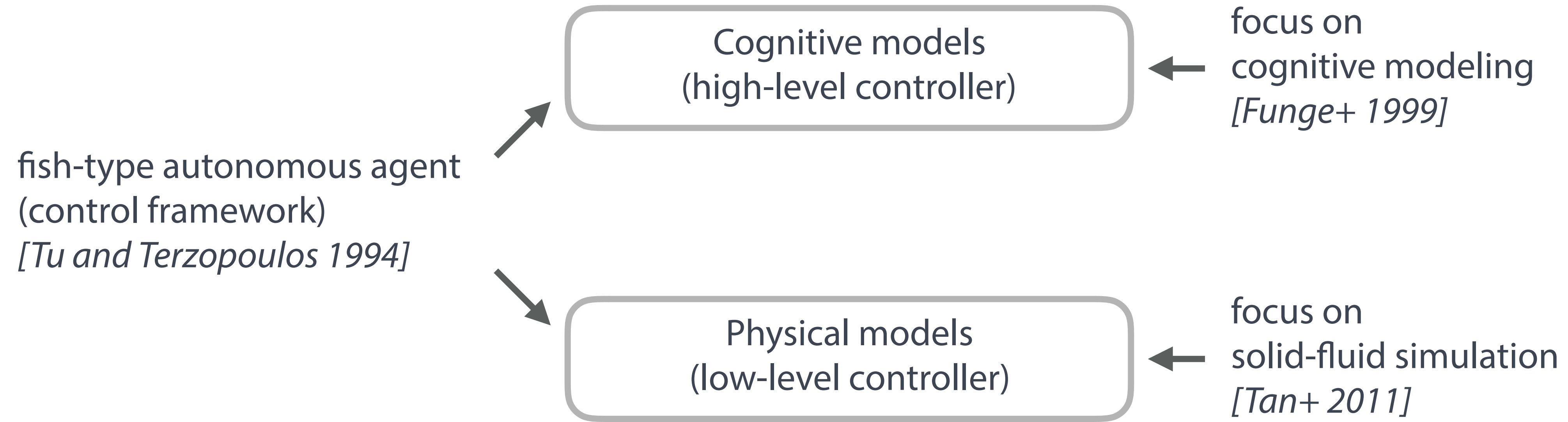
Results - 8,000 Pilchards + other 11 species



Results - 12,000 Pilchards + other 11 species with textures/lighting



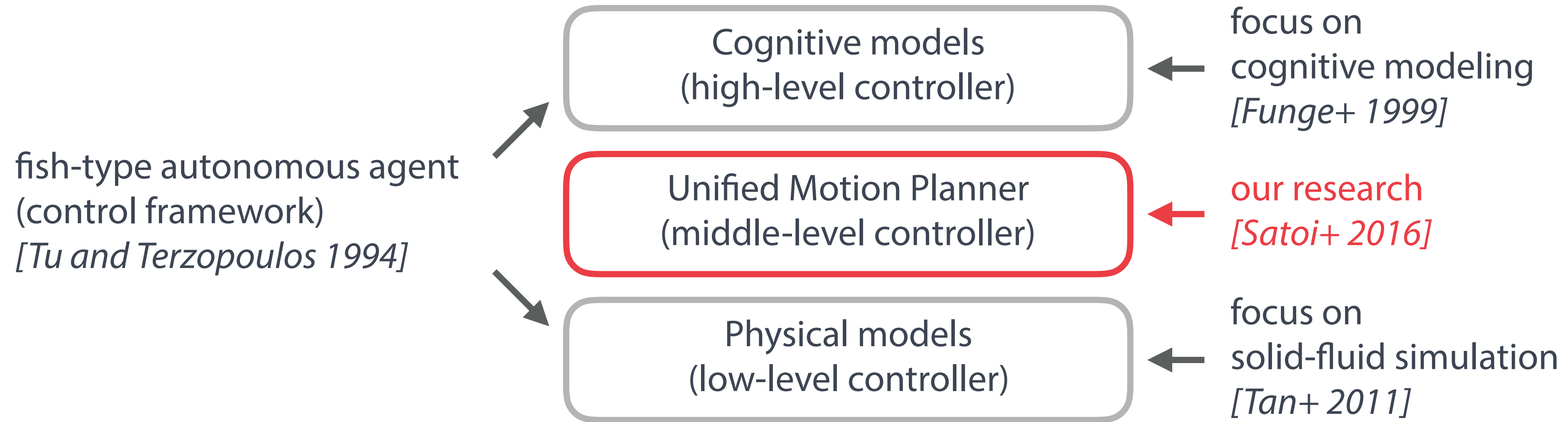
Related works on fish-swimming simulation



Limitation

- Cannot simulate many fish due to fluid simulation
- Cannot simulate fully the variation of swimming styles

Position of our research



Our contribution

- Propose the **middle-level controller** to reproduce the variation of simple “swimming” action
- Achieve realistic motion control of a few thousands or more fish

Limitation and future works

- ▶ Our fish do not have physical output
 - > Reproducing **physical interaction against environment** is difficult
- ▶ Controllable joint types are limited
 - > Reproducing **Goldfish's fins like cloth** is difficult
- ▶ High-level behaviors are only “free swimming”, “avoid”, and “escape”
 - > Actual fish can conduct **more various behaviors**
 - bottom-feeding flounder
 - responding to attacks
 - predatory actions toward members of the same species based on territory

Thank you

Project page

- <http://www.entcomp.esys.tsukuba.ac.jp/en/project/unified-motion-planner/>
- Paper, Supplemental document, HQ video, and BibTeX

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