Stirring Tails of Evolution

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The Size-Complexity Relation



The Recent Literature

IV. Part of a Letter from <u>Mr Antony Van Lecu-</u> wenhoek, concerning the Worms in Sheeps Livers, Gnats, and Animalcula in the Excrements of Frogs.

When I brought these particles before the Magnifying-glass, I did not only see that they were round, but that the outward skin of them was quite set over with many protuberant parts, which did seem to me to be triangular, and pointed towards the end; so that it seemed to me, that in the great circle of the roundnels, stood such particles, all orderly and equally from each other; so that on a small body did stand about two thousand of the before-mentioned convex or protuberant particles.

This was to me a very pleasant fight, because the faid particles, as often as I did look on them, did never lye still, and that their motion did proceed from their turning round; and that the more, because I did fancy at first that they were small animals, and the smaller these particles were, the greener was their colour; and on the contrary, in the greates, that were as big as a great corn of fand, there was no green colour at all to be different on the outfide.

These particles had each of them within included 5, 6, 7, nay, some to 12 small round globules, of the same thape as the body was wherein they were included.



Phil. Trans. **22**, 509-518 (1700)

CAROLI LINNÆI EQUITIS DE STELLA POLARI, ARCHIATRI REGII, MED. & BOTAN. PROFESS. UPSAL.; ACAD. UPSAL. HOLMENS. PETROPOL. BEROL. IMPER. LOND, MONSPEL. TOLOS. FLORENT. SOC. SYSTEMA NATURA (1758) 312. VOLVOX. Corpus liberum, gelatinofum, ro-

tundatum, artubus destitutum. *Proles* subrotundi, nidulantes,

foarfi.

Volvendo seque rotando celeriter movens absque artubus! viviparus natis, nepotibus, pronepotibus, abnepotibus conspicuis intra animalculum minutissimum.

Volvox In Its Own Frame

Tracking microscope in vertical orientation Laser sheet illumination of microscpheres



Drescher, Goldstein, Michel, Polin, and Tuval, preprint (2010)

Evolutionary Transition to Multicellularity

Chlamydomonas reinhardtii

Volvox carteri



A Family Portrait



Altruism, apoptosis

Structure of Flagella & the Flagellation Constraint



Basal bodies are microtubule organizing centres ...flagella are resorbed during cell division (no multi-tasking) (Bell & Koufopanou, '85,'93)

Advection & Diffusion

If a fluid has a typical velocity **U**, varying on a length scale **L**, with a molecular species of diffusion constant **D**. Then there are two times:

We define the Péclet number as the ratio:

$$Pe = \frac{t_{diffusion}}{t_{advection}} = \frac{UL}{D}$$

This is like the Reynolds number comparing inertia to viscous dissipation: $Re = \frac{UL}{V}$



$$t_{advection} = \frac{L}{U}$$
$$t_{diffusion} = \frac{L^2}{D}$$

If $U=10 \mu m/s$, $L=10 \mu m$, Re ~ 10^{-4} , Pe ~ 10^{-1} At the scale of an individual cell, diffusion dominates advection.

The opposite holds for *multicellularity*...

Solari, Ganguly, Michod, Kessler, Goldstein, PNAS (2006) Short, Solari, Ganguly, Powers, Kessler & Goldstein, PNAS (2006)

Life Cycles of the Green and Famous











Volvox as a Model Organism for Biological Physics



As an example, Volvox can exhibit "hydrodynamic bound states" which can be explained quantitatively using mutually advected force singularities. As the colonies grow they more systematically through the parameter space of swimming, sinking, spinning, and self-righting.



Drescher, Leptos, Tuval, Ishikawa, Pedley, Goldstein, PRL 102, 168101 (2009)

Microscopy & Micromanipulation



Stirring by Volvox carteri



A Closer View



Fluorescence

Flagella Beating/Symmetry









Polin, Tuval, Drescher & Goldstein (2009)

Metachronal Waves in Volvox (Side View)



Polin, Tuval, Pesci, Goldstein (2010)

Metachronal Waves in Volvox (Top View)



Polin, Tuval, Pesci, Goldstein (2010)

Flagellar Coordination in Eukaryotes

Paramecium (protozoan)

Opalina (protozoa)

Frog respiratory mucosa



 $30 \ \mu m$

Brennen and Winet (1977)

Huygens' Clock Synchronization (1665)

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V.') 1665.

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[Fig. 75.]3)

22 febr. 1665. Diebus 4 aut 5 horologiorum duorum novorum in quibus catenulæ [Fig. 75], miram concordiam obfervaveram, ita ut ne minimo quidem exceffu alterum ab altero fuperaretur. fed confonarent femper reciprocationes utriusque perpendiculi. unde cum parvo fpatio inter fe horologia difbarent, fympathiæ quandam ³) quasi alterum ab altero afficeretur fufpicari cœpi. ut experimentum caperem turbavi alterius penduli reditus ne fimul incederent fed quadrante horæ poft vel femihora rurfus concordare inveni.

clocks

Pendulum clocks hung on a common wall synchronize out of phase!



Modern version of experiment confirms that vibrations in the wall cause the synchronization.

Schatz, et al. (Georgia Tech)



Coupled Metronomes (Lancaster University)



G. I. Taylor's Waving Sheets

Analysis of the swimming of microscopic organisms



Minimization of dissipation is not (in general) a principle from which to deduce dynamical behaviour...

Early Study of Flagella Synchronisation in *Chlamydomonas*



Rüffer and Nultsch, Cell Motility and the Cytoskeleton 7, 87 (1987) See also: Josef, Saranak, Foster, Cell Motility and the Cytoskeleton 61, 83 (2005)

Historical Background

- R. Kamiya and E. Hasegawa [*Exp. Cell. Res.* ('87)] (cell models – demembranated) intrinsically different frequencies of two flagella
- U. Rüffer and W. Nultsch [*Cell Motil.* ('87,'90,'91,'98)] short observations (50-100 beats at a time, 1-2 sec.) truly heroic – hand drawing from videos synchronization, small phase shift, occasional "slips"

Key issue: control of phototaxis

"Phase oscillator" model used in e.g. circadian rhythms, etc.

strokes of
flagella

$$S_{1}(t) = A_{1} \cos[\theta_{1}(t)]$$

$$S_{2}(t) = A_{2} \cos[\theta_{2}(t)]$$
amplitudes
$$\int_{0}^{t} e^{t} \cos[\theta_{1}(t)] = \omega_{1} + \cdots$$
natural frequencies
$$\frac{d\theta_{1}}{dt} = \omega_{1} + \cdots$$
natural frequencies
or angles

Without coupling, the phase difference simply grows in time

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_2}{2\pi} = \left(\nu_1 - \nu_2\right)t + \cdots$$

So, is this seen?

Noisy Synchronization

Experimental methods:

- Micropipette manipulation with a rotating stage for precise alignment
- Up to 2000 frames/sec
- Long time series (50,000 beats or more)

Cell body

Micropipette

• Can impose external fluid flow

Frame-subtraction



Polin, Tuval, Drescher, Gollub, Goldstein, Science 325, 487 (2009)



Goldstein, Polin, Tuval, Phys. Rev. Lett. 103, 168103 (2009)

A Single Cell Displays All Three Regimes (!)



Polin, Tuval, Drescher, Gollub, Goldstein, Science 325, 487 (2009)

Model for Phase Evolution



Niedermayer, Eckhardt, and Lenz, *Chaos* (2008) See also: Guirao and Joanny, *Biophys. J.* (2007) Vilfan and Julicher, *PRL* (2006)

We see clear evidence of stochasticity ... which suggests the stochastic **Adler** equation:

$$\dot{\Delta} = \delta v - 2\pi \varepsilon \sin(2\pi \Delta) + \xi(t)$$

Intrinsic coupling Quasi-universal frequency Strength form for phase oscillators (Kuramoto)

Spheres forced in circular orbits by an azimuthal force, with elasticity to maintain orbit radius, and sphere-sphere hydrodynamic interactions (deterministic)



• biochemical noise $\langle \xi(t) \rangle = 0$ $\langle \xi(t) \xi(s) \rangle = 2T_{eff} \delta(t-s)$



Relative probability of +/- slips Yields the frequency difference δv

Amplitude and autocorrelation function of fluctuations in the synchronised state yields T_{eff} and ϵ

Model Parameters



Direct Demonstration of Chlamydomonas Diffusion



Polin, Tuval, Drescher, Gollub, Goldstein, Science 325, 487 (2009)

Dual-View Apparatus Free of Thermal Convection



Capable of imaging protists from 10 μ m to 1 mm, with tracking precision of ~1 micron, @ 20 fps.

Drescher, Leptos, Goldstein, *Review of Scientific Instruments* **80**, 014301 (2009)



Reconstructing a Trajectory



Chlamydomonas Tracking in Detail – A Sharp Turn



Statistics of Sharp Turns: Origin of Diffusion



Turns and drifts have identical statistics, much longer than slips.

Geometry of Turning



Run-and-Tumble Locomotion of Bacteria



A Phototurn (V. barberi) With Bottom-Heaviness



Drescher, Leptos, Goldstein, Rev. Sci. Instrum. (2009)

Volvox Eyespots



Top view at anterior pole

Adaptive Flagellar Dynamics and the Fidelity of Multicellular Phototaxis



Drescher, Goldstein, Tuval, preprint (2010)

Dynamic PIV Measurements – Step Response



Adaptive dynamics also play a role in sperm chemotaxis: Friedrich and Jülicher (2007,09)

Simple modulation of flow

Angular Dependence of the Transient Response



Frequency-Dependent Response





Multicellular Phototaxis as Dynamic Phototropism









0.8 0 mm



Initial: illuminated anterior region has strongly diminished flagellar beating, colony rotates toward the light

Midway: modulation amplitude decreases as colony axis tilts toward light Done: no more modulation of flagellar beating, axis aligned

K. Drescher, R.E. Goldstein & I. Tuval, *preprint* (2010)

Phototaxis: The Movie





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