

**METHODOLOGIES FOR DISCRETE EVENT  
MODELING AND SIMULATION  
SYSC 5104**

**Assignment #2**

**A Cellular Model Simulation of Fish Migration**

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# Part I: Introduction

## Problem Description

Normally, lots of dams are built over rivers which are used for irrigation or hydropower, but also become barrier for fish migration. In order to protect the ecosystem balance, some measures need be taken to facilitate the migration of fish. However, the budget which is devoted to improve the facility on river is always limited. We should be careful to use limited resource. So we need to build a model to simulate fish migration under different conditions so that different strategies imposed on river could be evaluated.

In this assignment, I plan to build one cellular model to simulate fish migration.

In my model, upstream migration will be considered only. A river is supposed to be made up of fragments separated by dams. Each fragment is represented by one cell with a state ( $s \in E = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ , where  $n$  is the total number of simulated fish). The state of a cell is interpreted as the number of fish present in this cell. For each cell, a number  $p_i \in [0, 1]$  is assigned, representing the probability that one fish successfully migrates into this cell in one try.

A river may have several branches which is also represented by cells. Fish migrates from the river entry to the source of mainstream or branches. Eventually, only a part of fish can arrive at the source successfully. We can obtain a total number of arriving fish after simulation which is used to assess the effect of selected strategy.

## Part II: Formal Specification

### River Model

In this model, a river is represented by coupled cells in a no wrapped  $5 \times 10$  grid. Each cell is initialized by default value(-1 or 0). -1 represents the border of river while 0 represents fragments of river. I build a cellular river model as follow:

-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1

Just as shown above, the river has 2 branches. The most left 0 cell is river entry while the most right 0 cell is the source of mainstream. The top 0 cell is the source of up branch while the bottom 0 cell is the source of down branch.

Fish enters the river at the most left 0 cell and eventually arrives at the most right 0 cell, or top 0 cell or bottom 0 cell.

## Neighbor Cell

For each cell, its' neighbors are defined as follow:

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neighbors : migration(-1,-1) migration(-1,0) migration(-1,1)
neighbors : migration(0,-1) migration(0,0) migration(0,1)
neighbors : migration(1,-1) migration(1,0) migration(1,1)
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(-1,-1)	(-1,0)	(-1,1)
(0,-1)	(0,0)	(0,1)
(1,-1)	(1,0)	(1,1)

## Migration Model

At the beginning, a number of fish, says 500, enters the river which means the most left 0 cell will be set to 500. Every interval, a small part of fish, says 2 fishes, will set out to begin its migration which means the value of most left 0 cell will be reduced gradually.



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Line : 14968 - Time: 00:00:25:900
      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9
+-----+
0|  -1.00   0.45  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00|
1|  -1.00           -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00|
2|   0.79                                     |
3|  -1.00  -1.00           -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00|
4|  -1.00  -1.00   1.59  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00  -1.00|
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As shown, eventually, 0.79 fish arrive at the source of mainstream successfully while 0.45 fish at the source of up branch and 1.59 fish at the source of down branch.

More details of simulation procedure can refer to packaged files and video file.

## Migration2

In this simulation,  $P_i$  is a function of the distance between current cell and the river entry cell.

500 fishes is placed into the river entry to start the simulation.

The simulation result is demonstrated as follow:

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Line : 110 - Time: 00:00:00:000
      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9
+-----+
0|  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
1|  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
2|                                     500.000|
3|  -1.000  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
4|  -1.000  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
+-----+
Line : 14968 - Time: 00:00:25:900
      0      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      9
+-----+
0|  -1.000   0.130  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
1|  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
2|   0.117                                     |
3|  -1.000  -1.000           -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
4|  -1.000  -1.000   0.234  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000  -1.000|
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As shown, eventually, 0.117 fish arrive at the source of mainstream successfully while 0.130 fish at the source of up branch and 0.234 fish at the source of down branch.

More details of simulation procedure can refer to packaged files and video file.