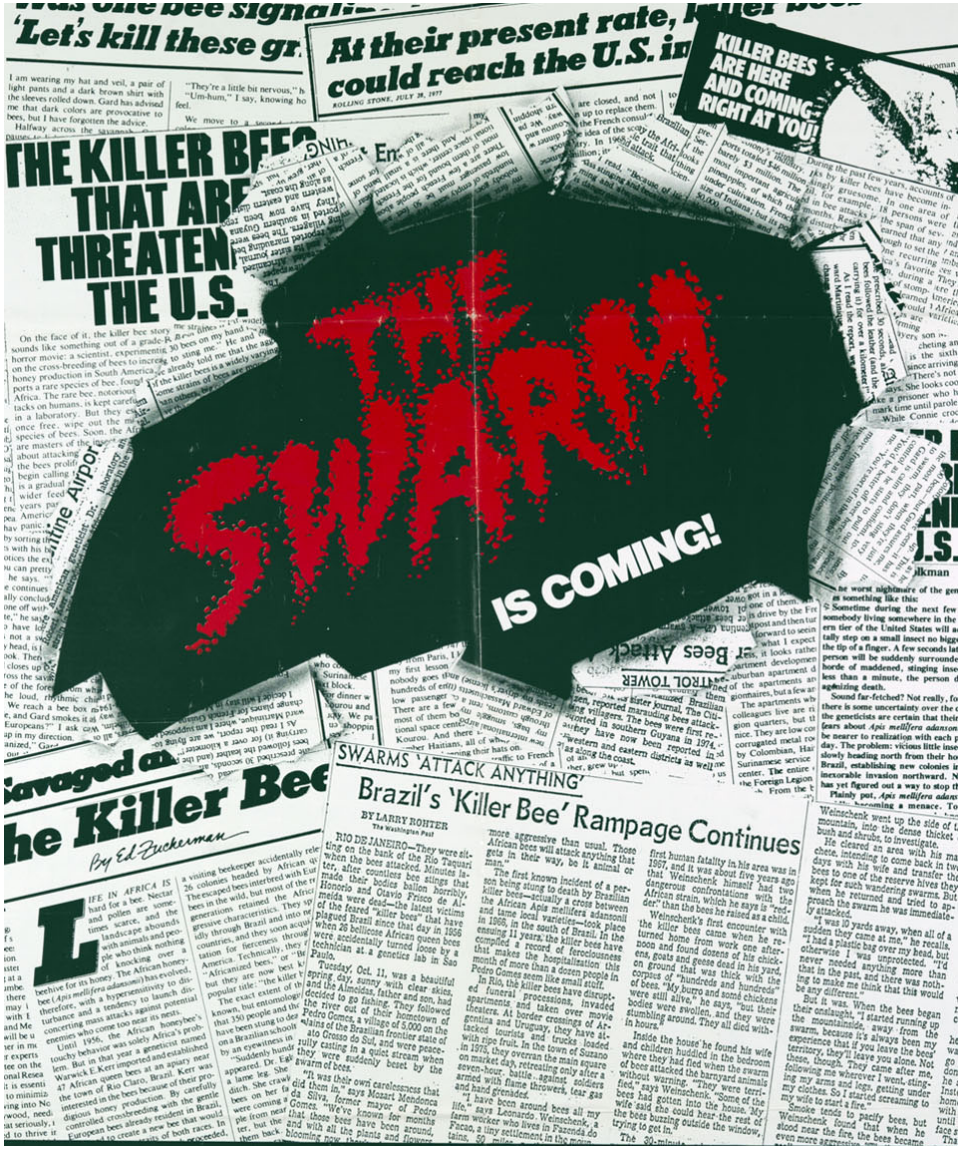
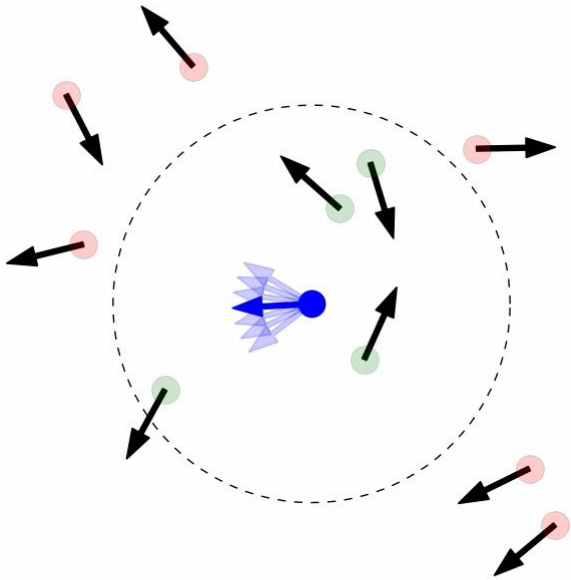
Computer simulations of complex systems



Lab VI –
The Swarm

A simple swarming model



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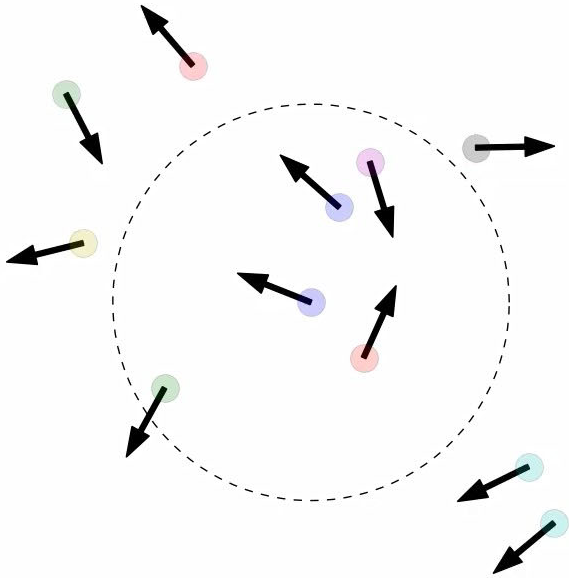
Step I

Find nearest neighbours



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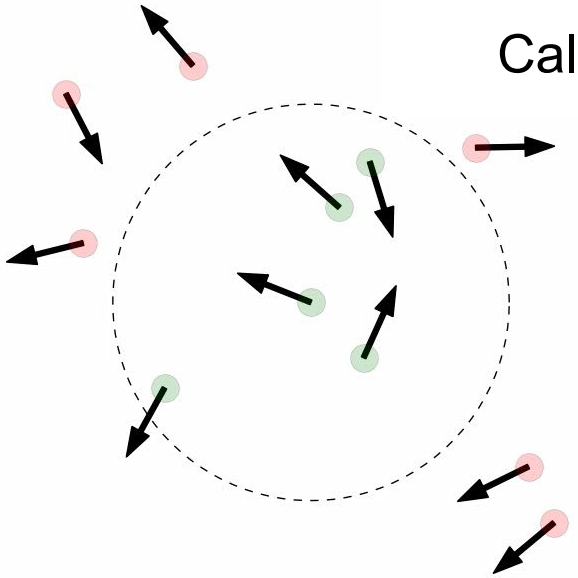
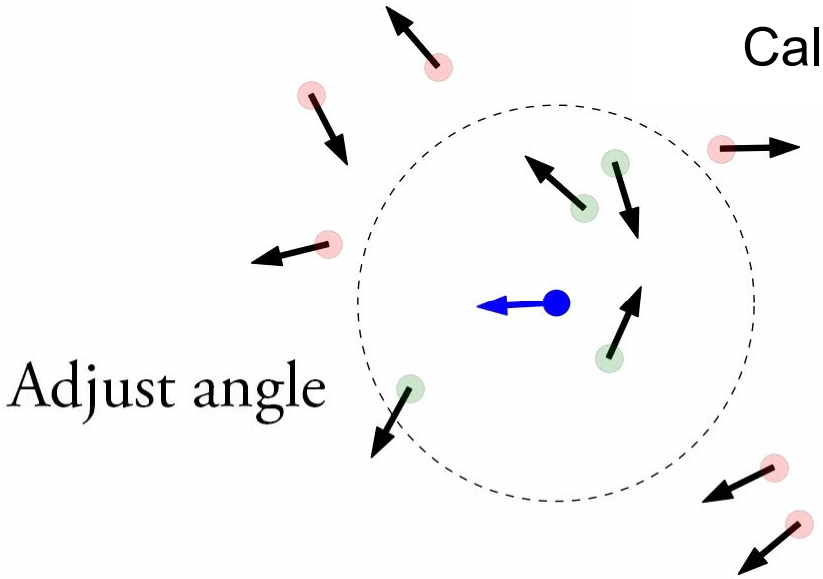


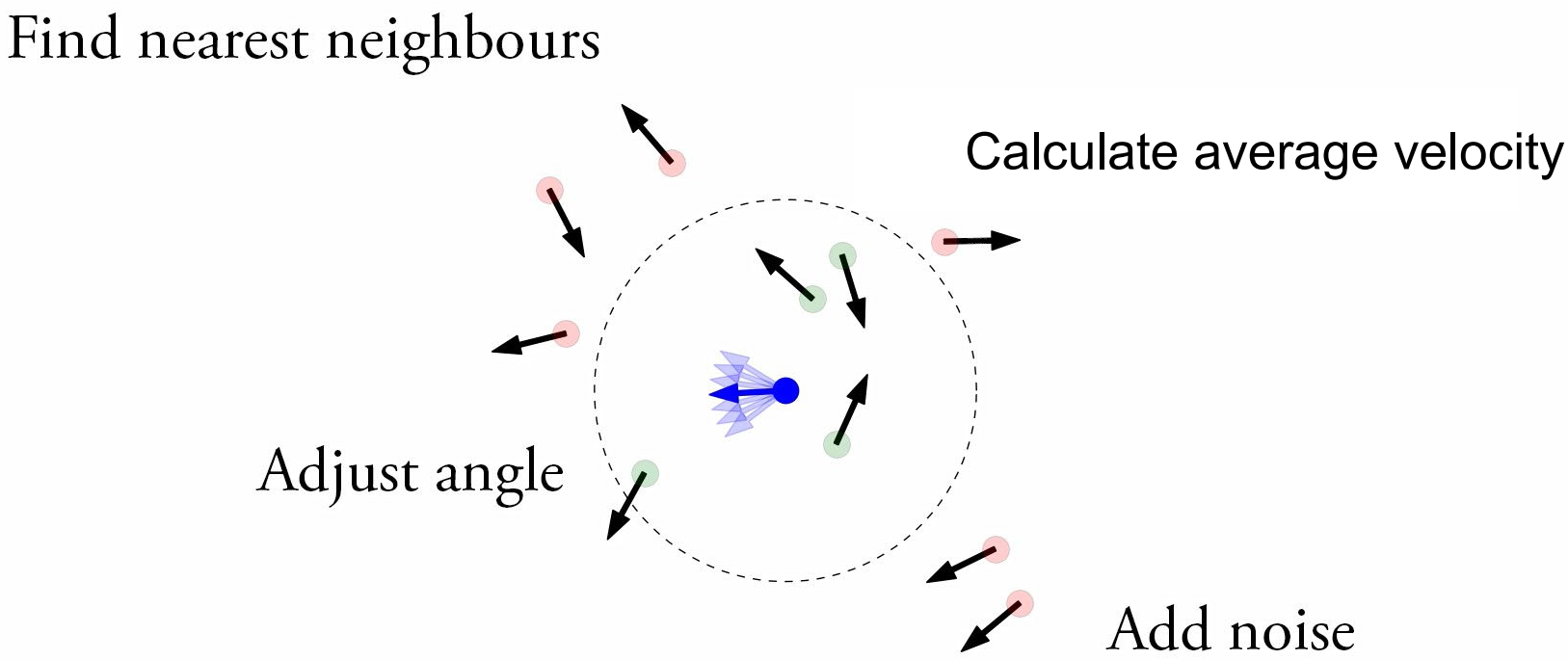
Calculate average velocity

Step III

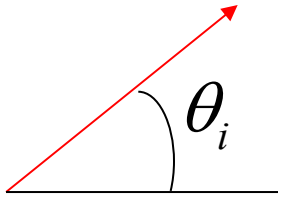
Find nearest neighbours



Step IV


Find nearest neighbours
Calculate average velocity
Adjust angle
Add noise

Summary



new direction of bird i

$$\theta_i = \arg\left(\sum_k e^{i\theta_k}\right) + a\eta_i$$

amplitude

direction of average velocity of the neighbours

random term

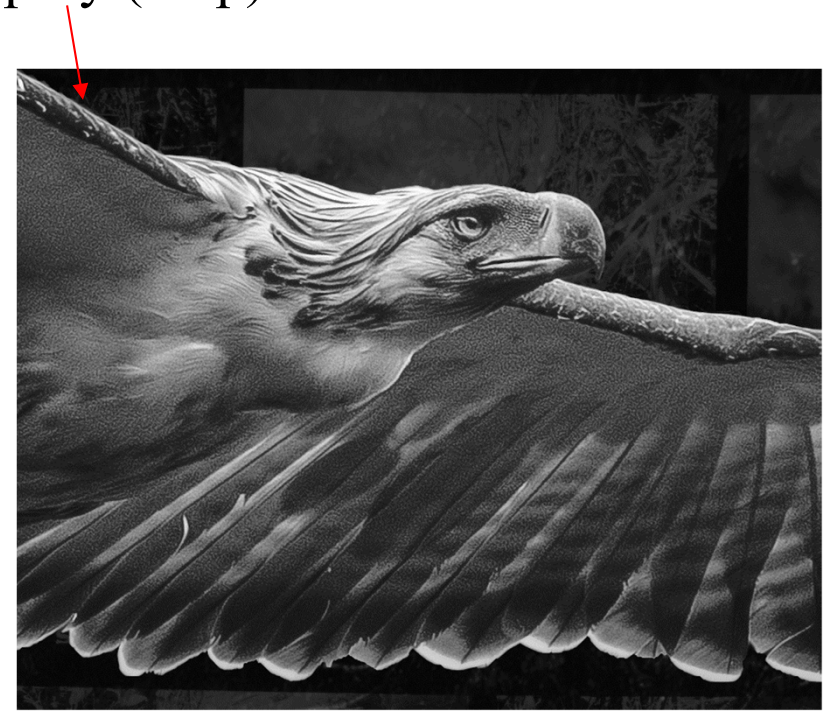
(uniform between $-\pi$ and π)

new position of bird i

$$r_i(t+dt) = r_i(t) + v_0 \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta_i \\ \sin\theta_i \end{pmatrix} dt$$

Your task

- Simulate swarming model for 5000 birds (0.5p)
- Add a bird of prey (0.5p)

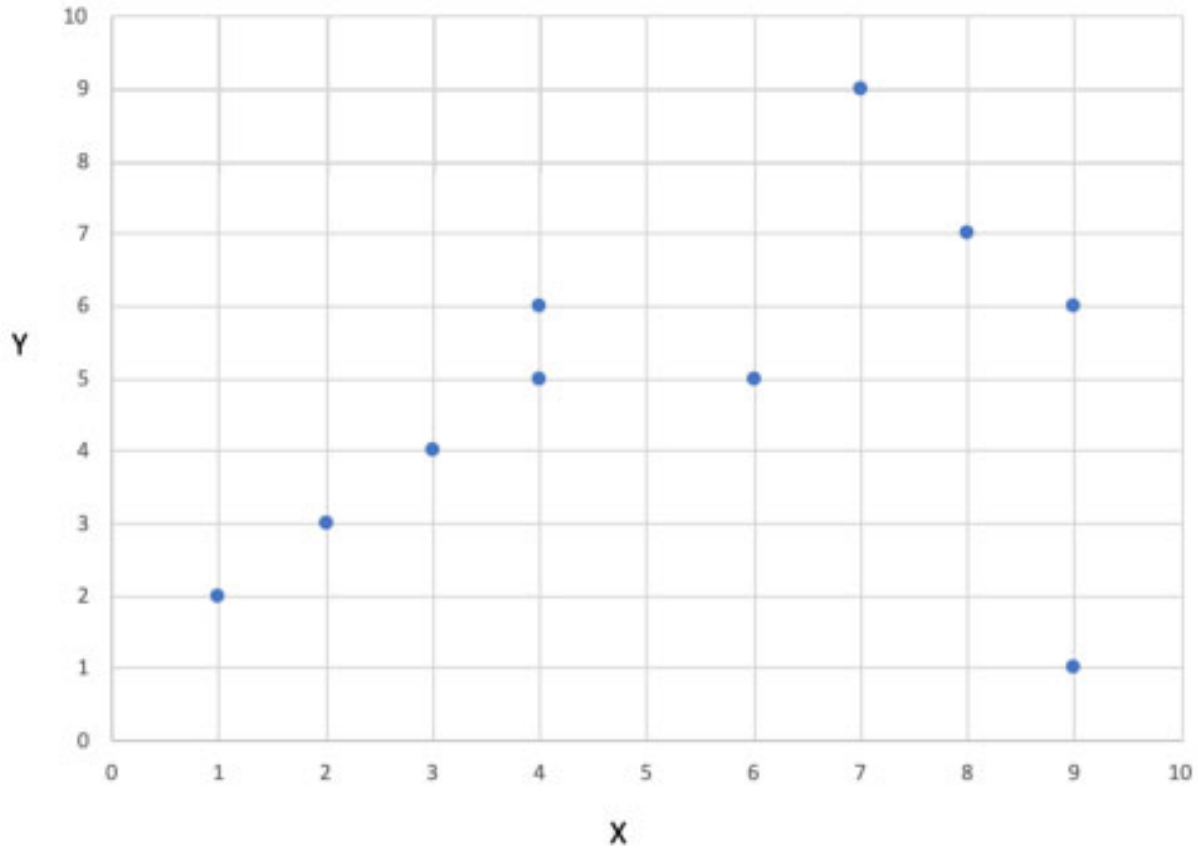


- follows the closest bird
- all birds in a radius r_b run away from it

The (devil in the) details

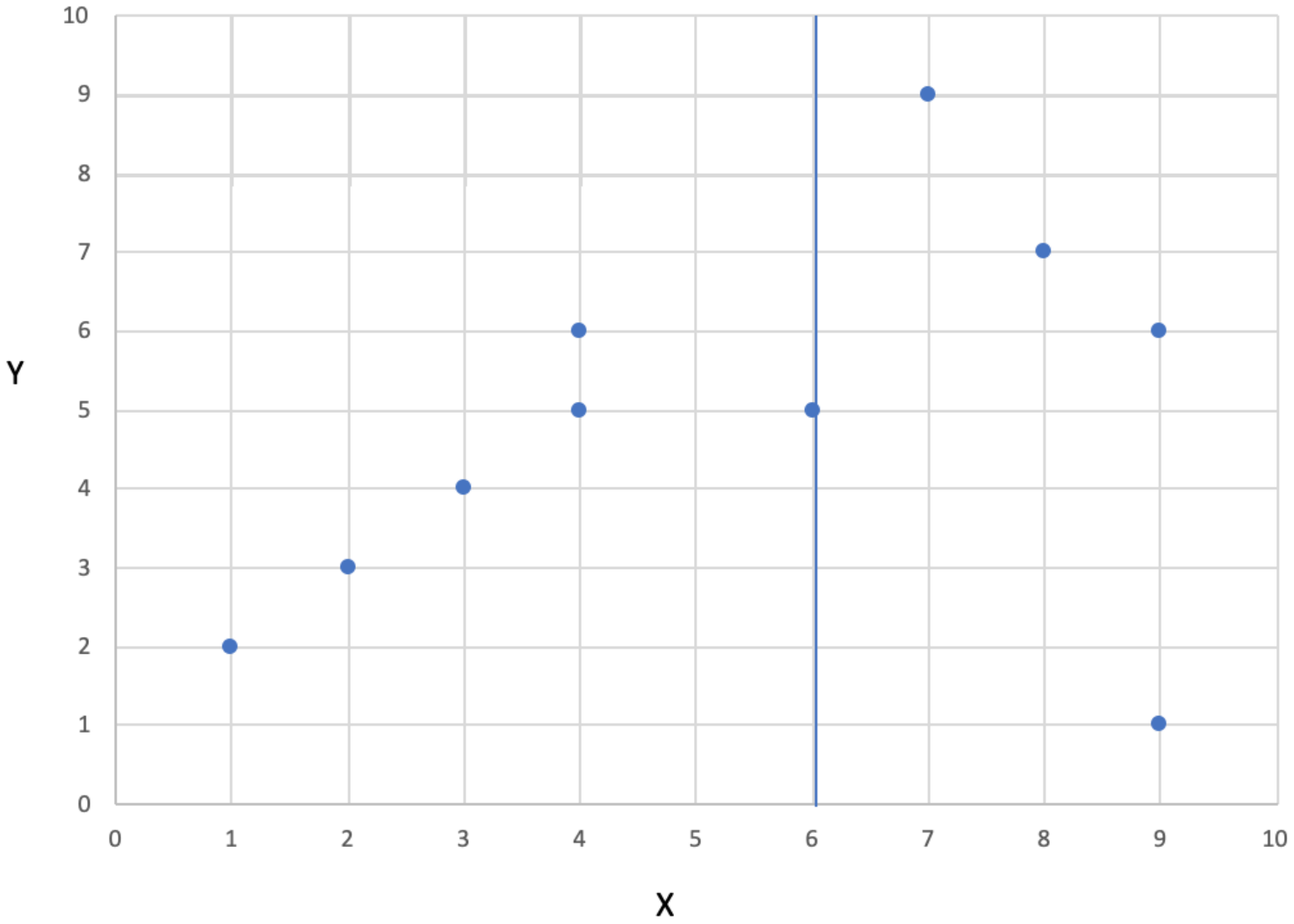
- you need a fast way of getting the neighbours of bird *i*
- one possibility is to use a kd-tree

KDTree - example



X	Y
9	1
3	4
4	6
6	5
2	3
8	7
7	9
9	6
1	2
4	5

Division at the median along x



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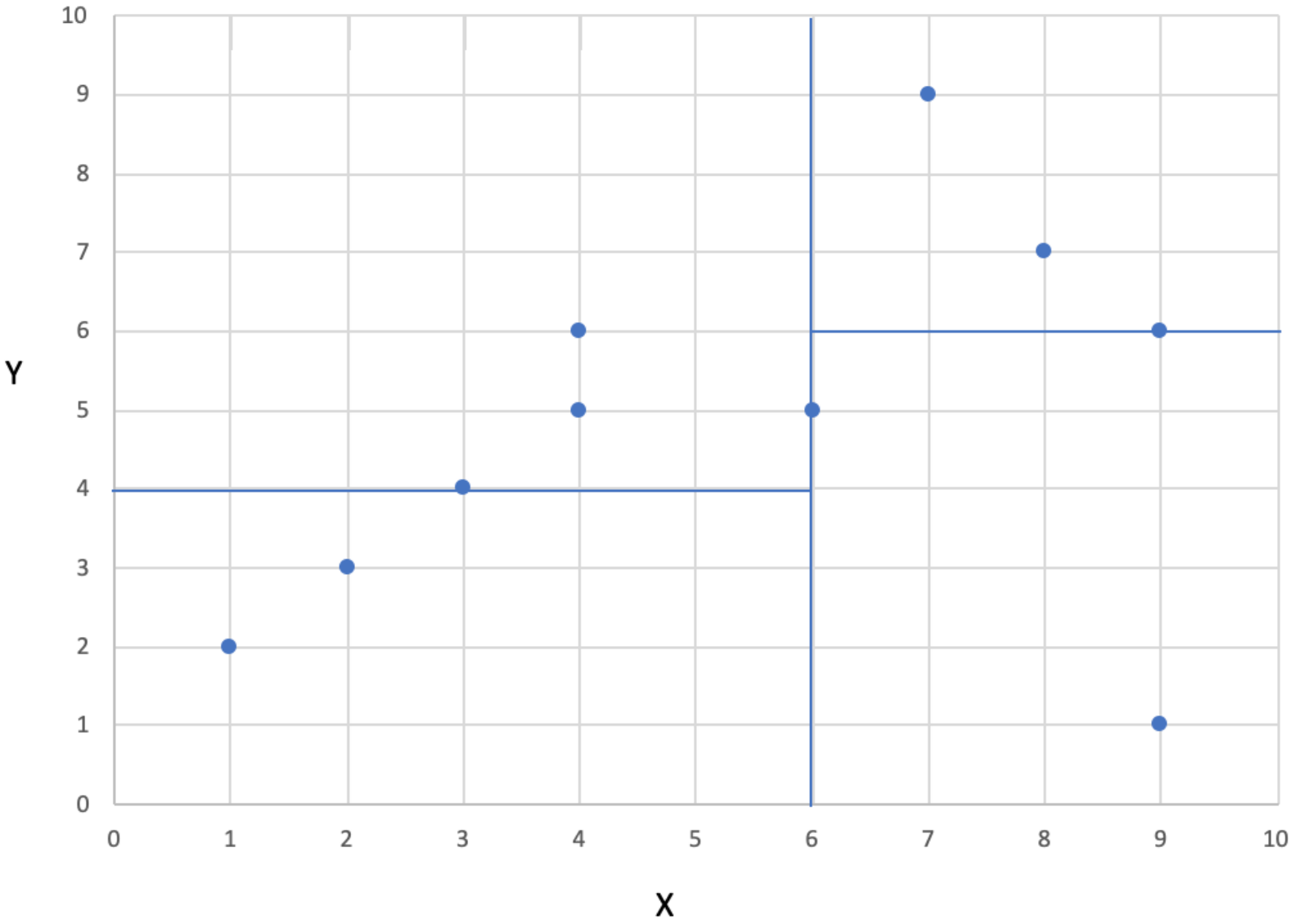
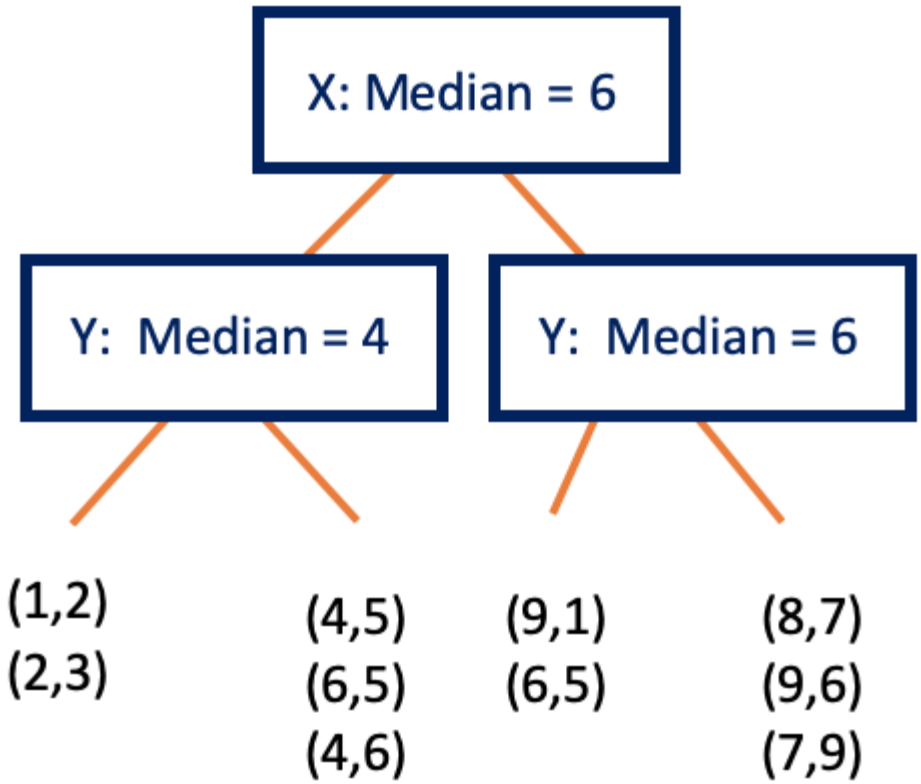


Tree structure



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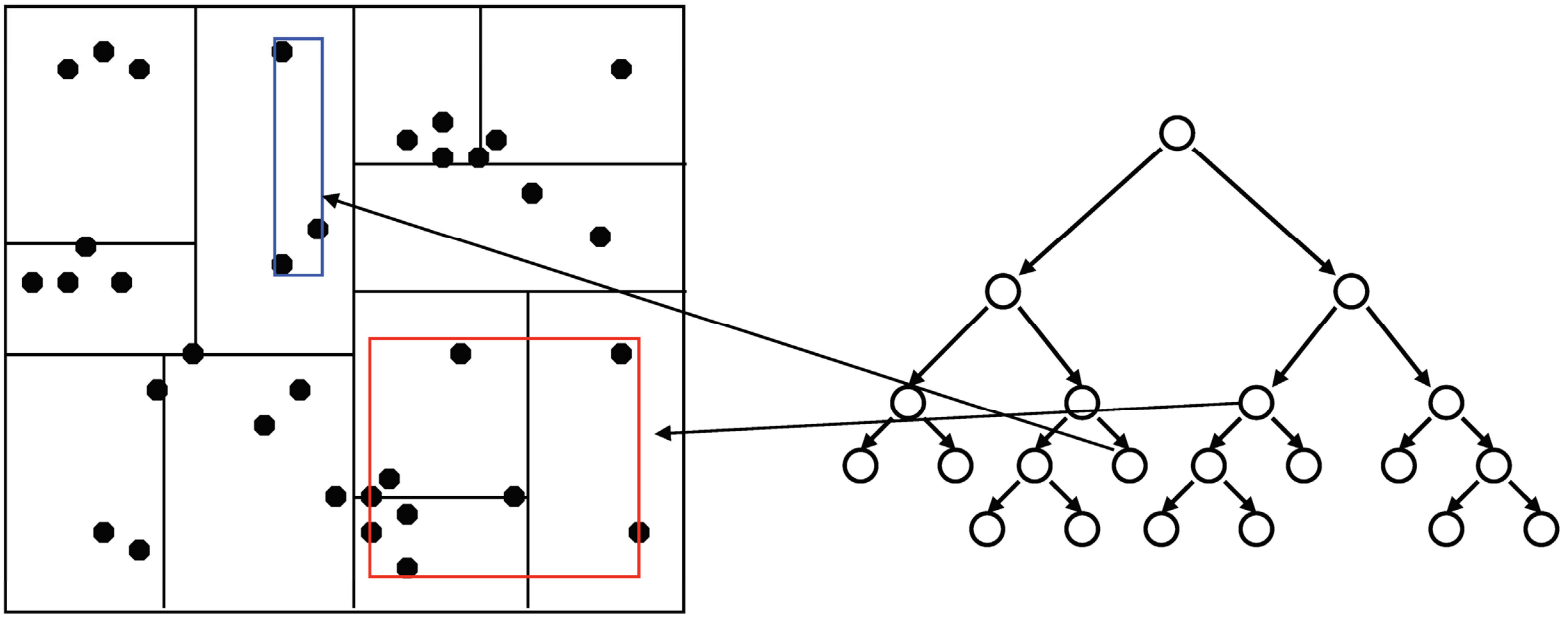
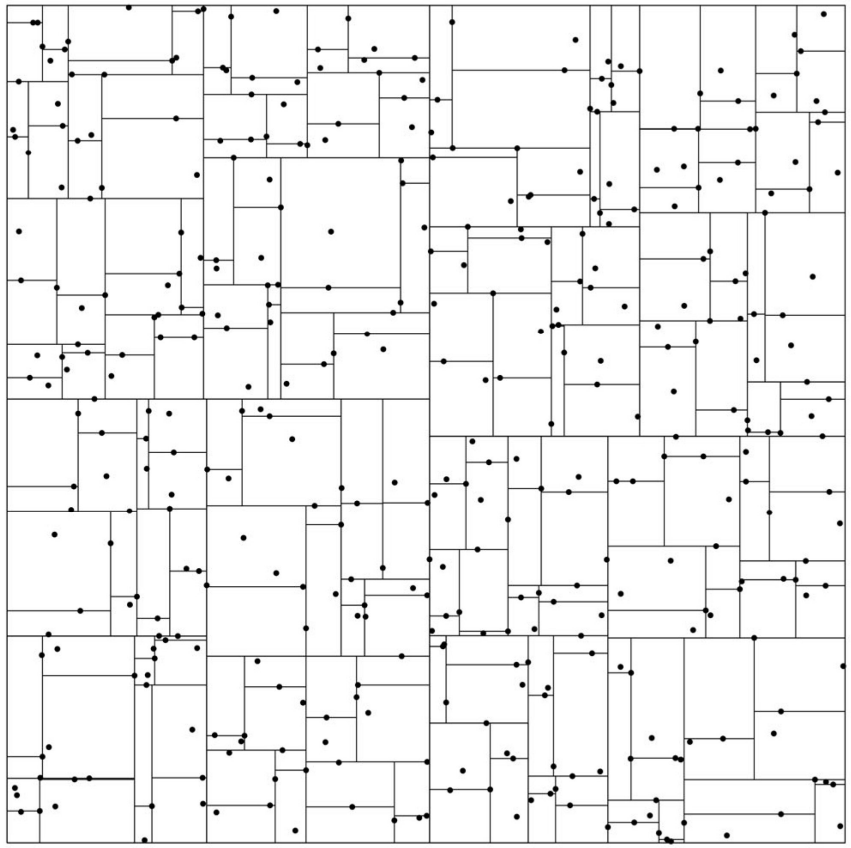


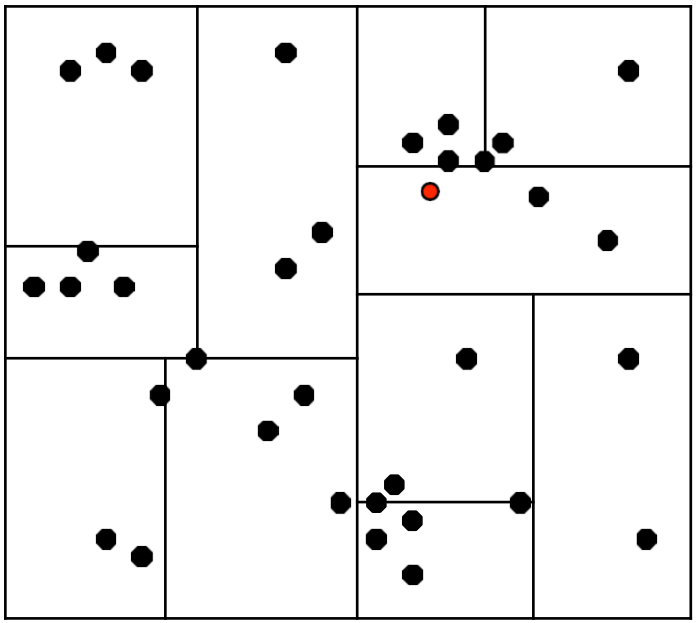
Larger tree

KD- Tree for 100 points



Construction - N log N
Nearest neighbor finding – log N

Finding nearest neighbor to a point



We traverse the tree looking for the nearest neighbor of the query point.

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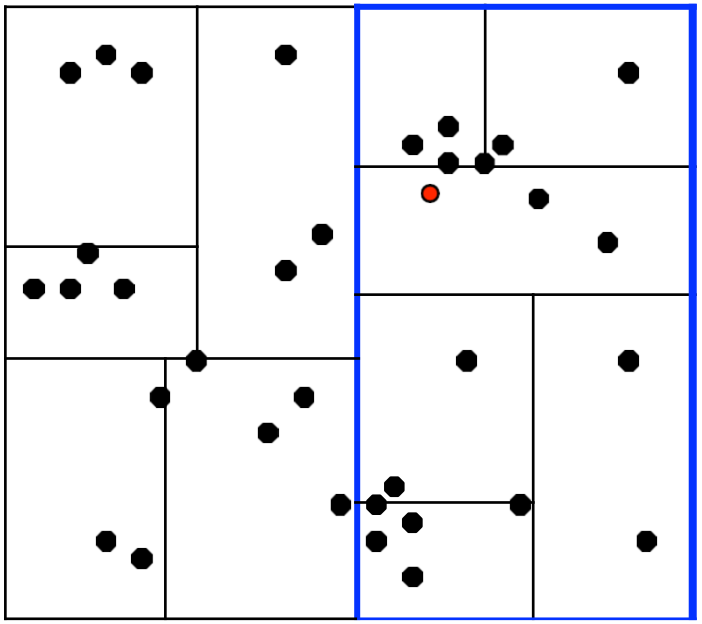

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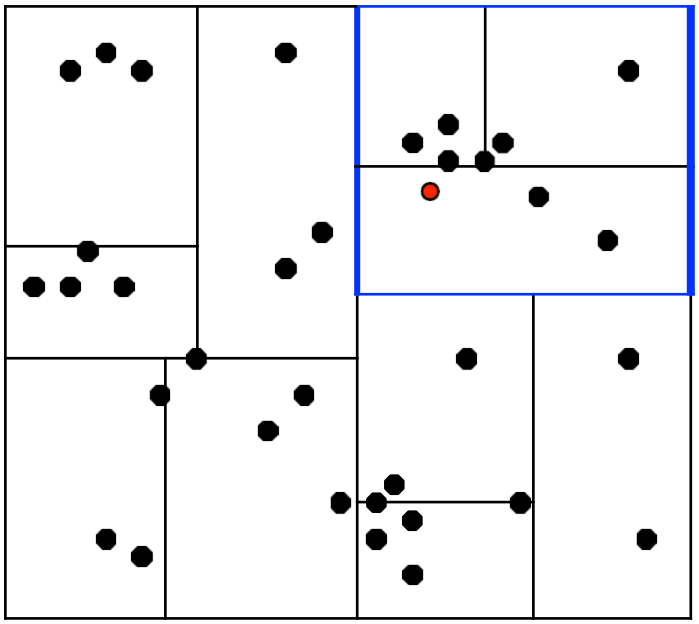

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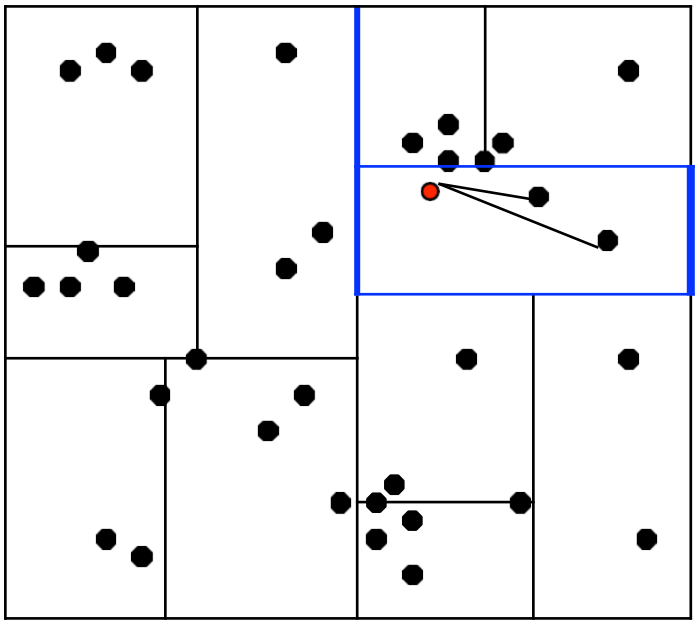

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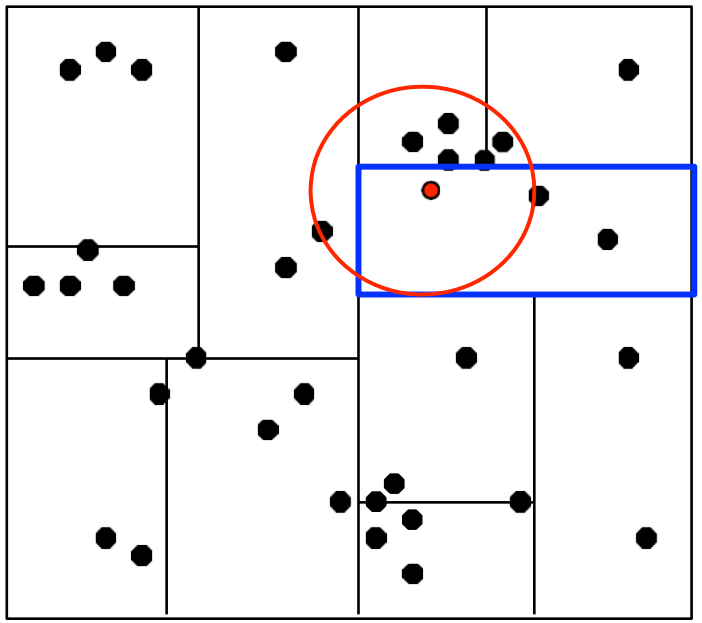
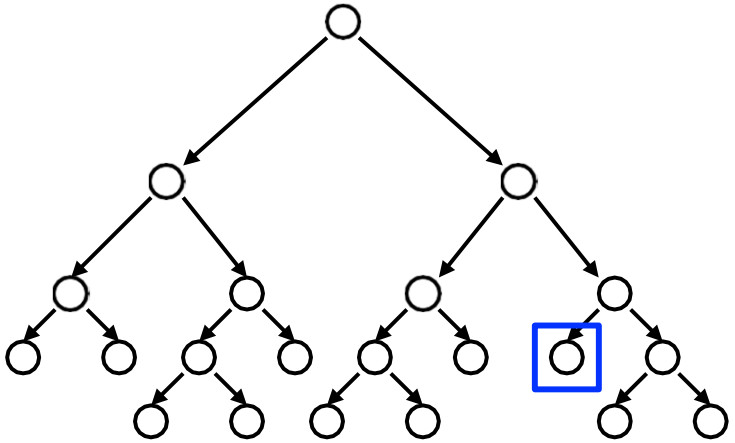
Finding nearest neighbor to a point





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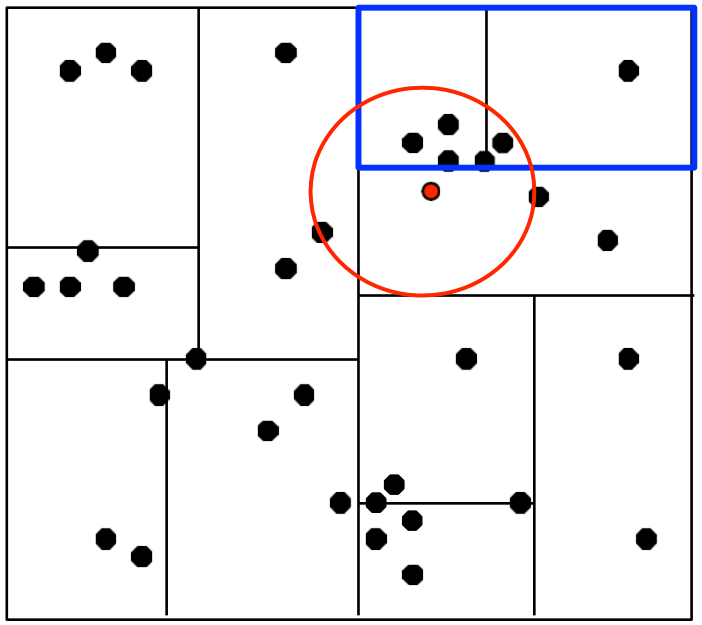
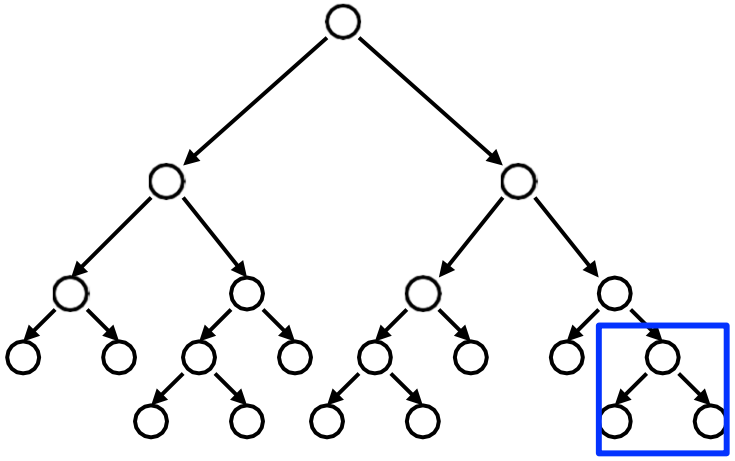
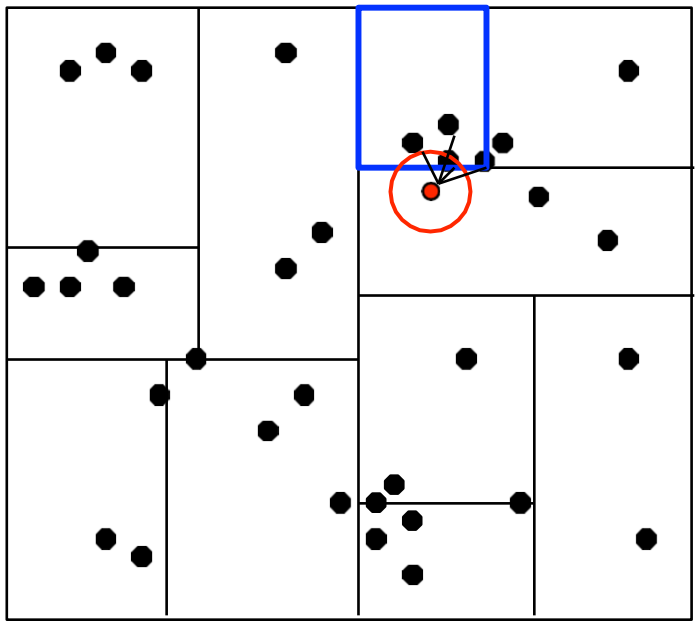
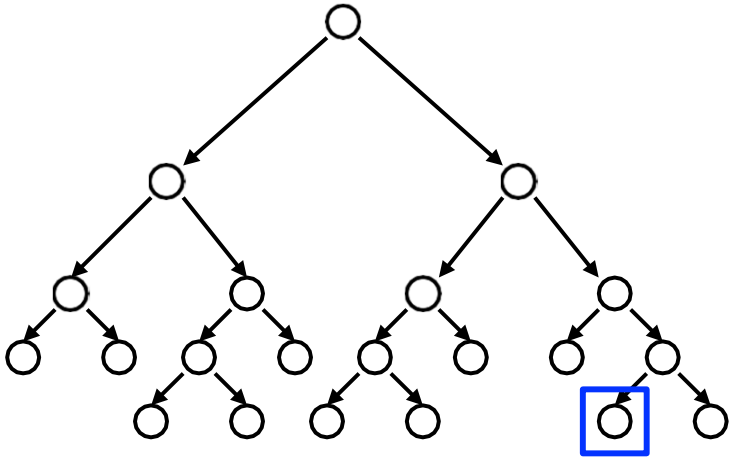




Then we can backtrack and try the other branch at each node visited.

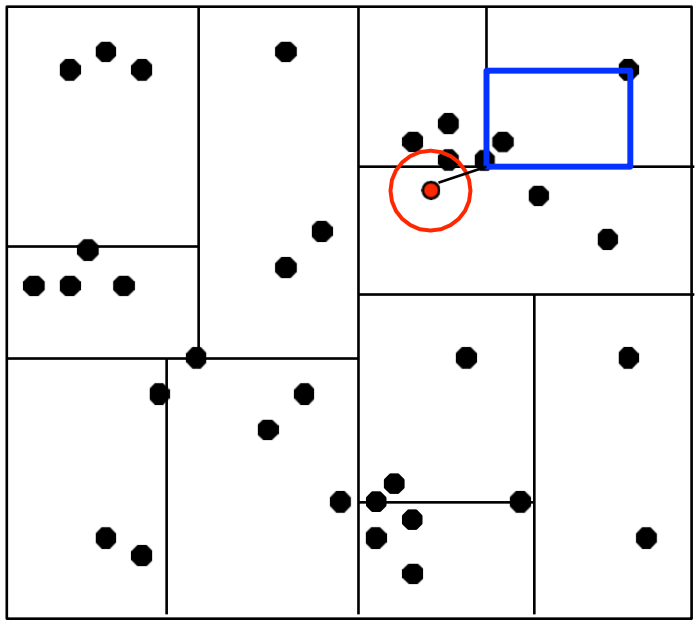
Finding nearest neighbor to a point

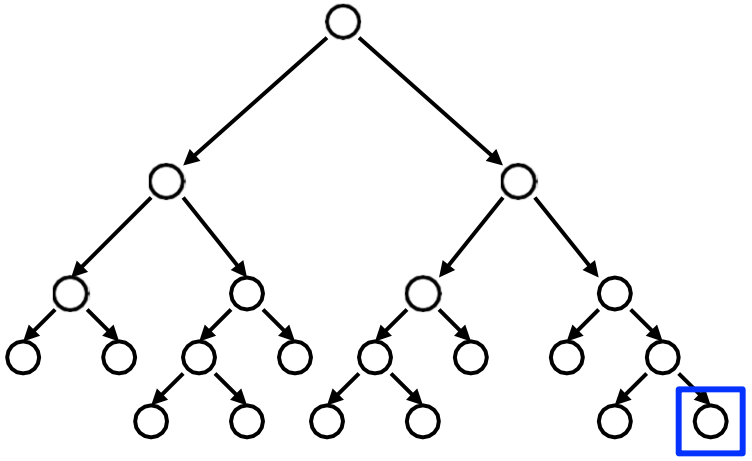




Each time a new closest node is found, we can update the distance bounds.

Finding nearest neighbor to a point





Using the distance bounds and the bounds of the data below each node, we can prune parts of the tree that could NOT include the nearest neighbor.

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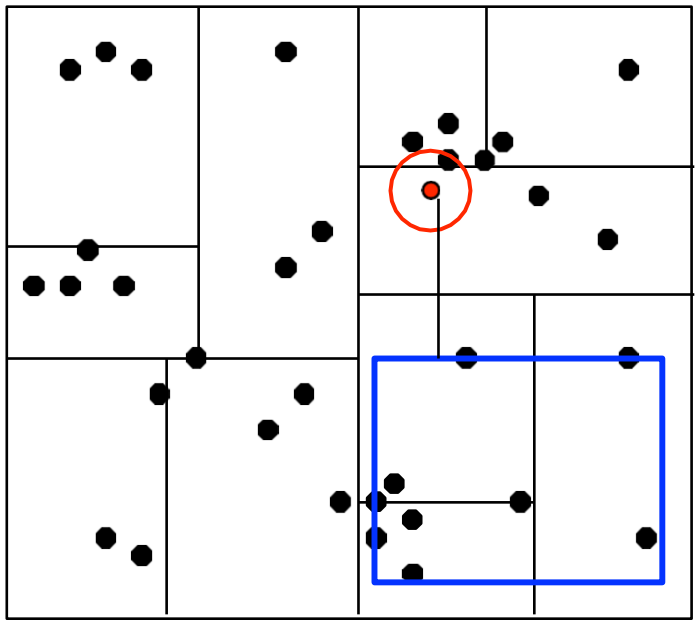

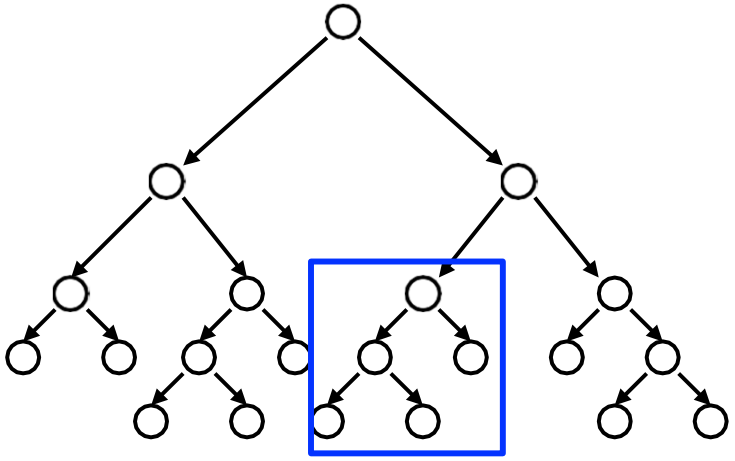

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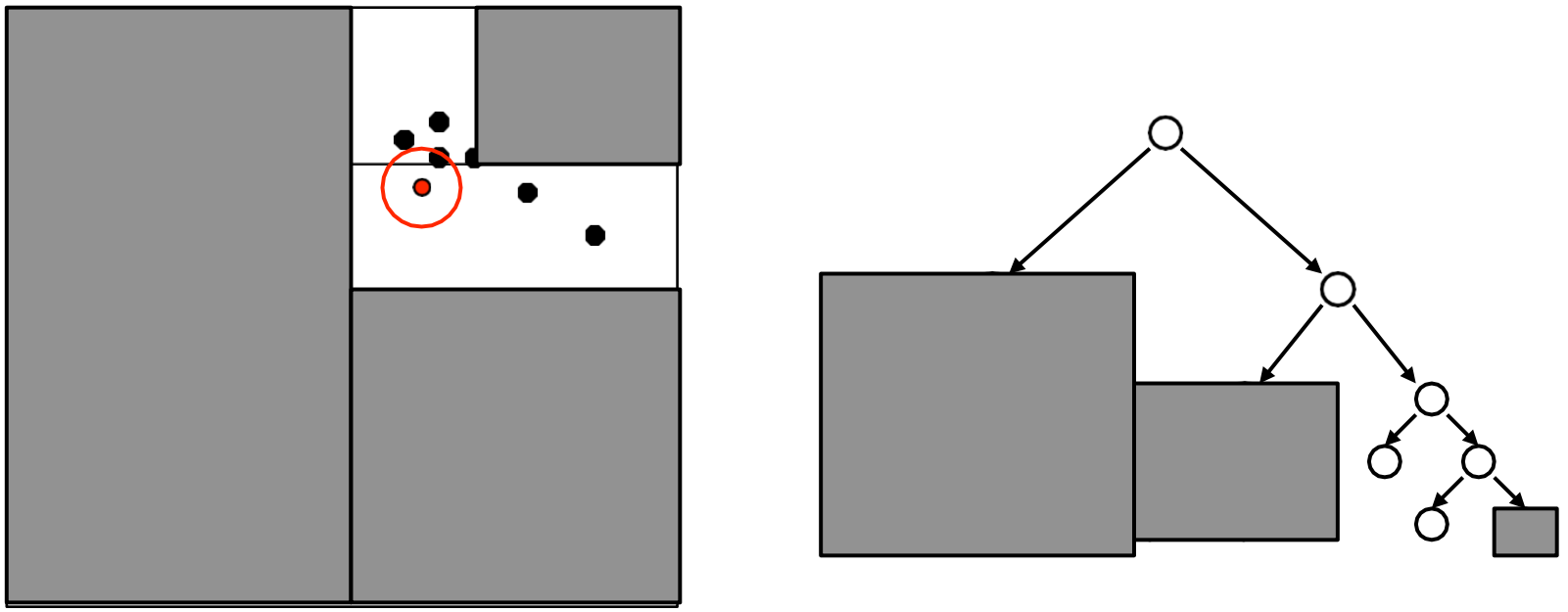

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Birds tree

```
from scipy.spatial import cKDTree

birds_tree = cKDTree(positions,boxsize=[L,L])

dist = birds_tree.sparse_distance_matrix(birds_tree,max_distance=r,output_type='coo_matrix')
```

periodic boundary conditions

this produces a (sparse) matrix with distances between birds (if they are smaller than r)

- COO format stores data as a list of tuple with three elements; row, column, value
- the tuple is present only for non-zero elements.

Other methods in cKDTree

bird_tree.query(x, k)	find k nearest neighbours to point x
bird_tree,query_ball_point(x, r)	Find all points within distance r of point(s) x.

- do not use any loops (except over time) - use numpy.sum to sum over the columns/rows of a matrix

Distance matrix

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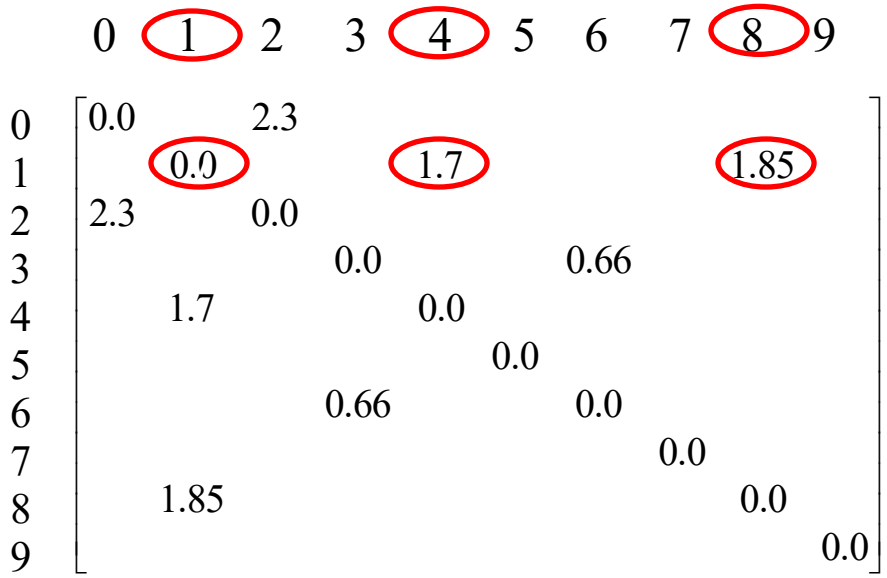
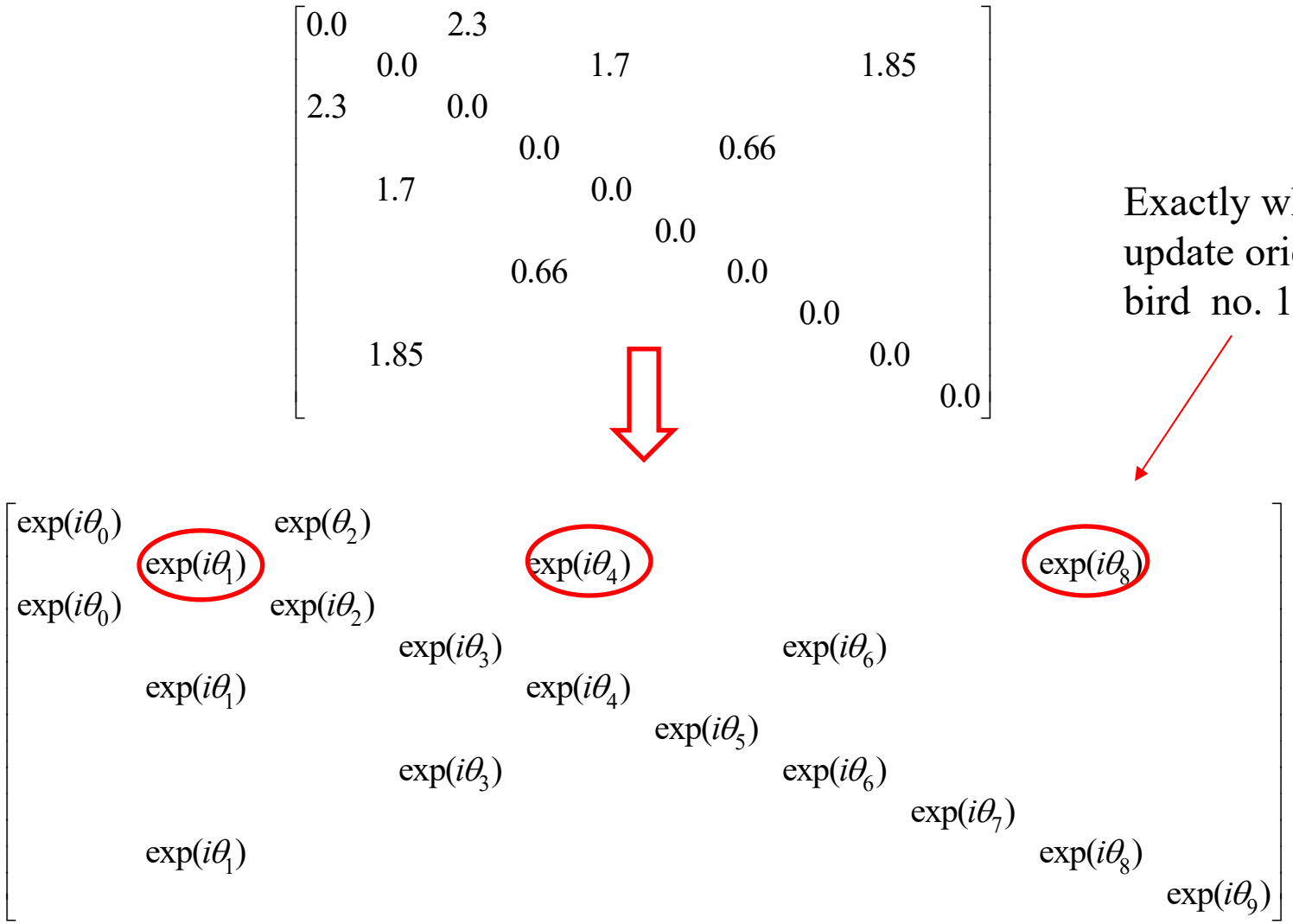


Nearest neighbours to bird no. 1 (including self)

Orientation matrix



- A new sparse matrix with the same positions of nonzero elements, but containing orientations

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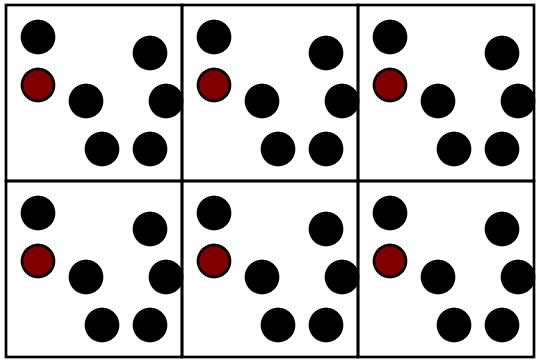
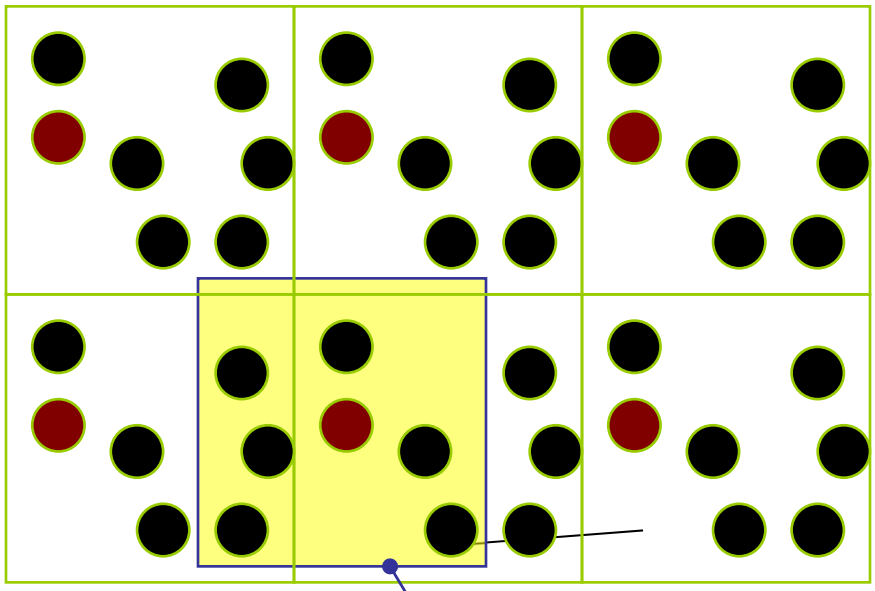


```
if newX > L:
    newX -= L
if newX < 0:
    newX += L

if newY >L:
    newY -= L
if newY < 0:
    newY += L
```

size of the box

Closest periodic image



The images of other particles closest to the red one

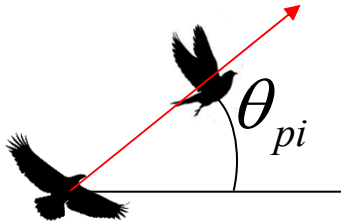
vector joining particle (i) and the closest periodic image of (j)

```
dr=np.remainder(ri - rj + L/2., L) - L/2
```

Birds

- all fly with the same velocity v_0
- their initial distribution is uniform (both in positions and in orientations)

Bird of prey



- moves with the same velocity v_0 as the birds

- follows the closest bird

$$\theta_p = \theta_{pi} + a\eta_p$$

- all the birds within a range of r_b fly away from it, ignoring other birds:

$$\theta_i = \theta_{pi} + a\eta_i$$

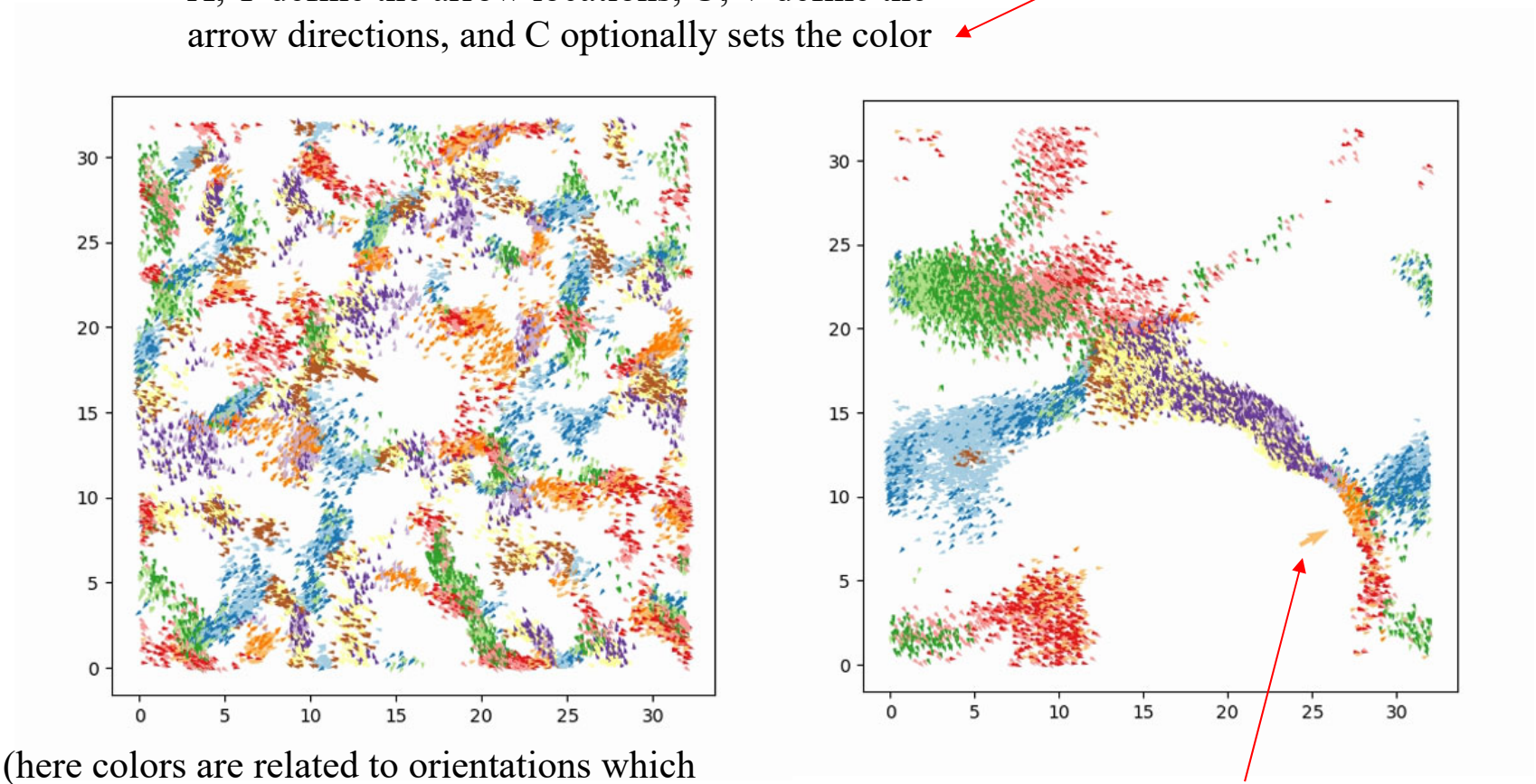
Predator interaction radius

Visualization

matplotlib.pyplot.quiver([X, Y], U, V, [C])

- plots a 2D field of arrows
- X, Y define the arrow locations, U, V define the arrow directions, and C optionally sets the color

use θ here



(here colors are related to orientations which helps in identifying clusters)

bird of prey

The details

- take e.g.:

$$L=32,\ N=5000\text{-}10000,\ r=1,\ r_b=4,\ v_0=2,\ a=0.15$$

- make a movie of several hundred frames
- for task one (w/o bird of prey) check if the system self-organizes after sufficiently long time (all birds flying in the same direction)
- how does the presence of the bird of prey impacts such a self-organization process?

Extra task

- look at the phase transition at the intensity of a noise is changed between 0 and 1

order parameter

$$\chi = \frac{1}{N v_0} \left| \sum_i \vec{v}_i \right|$$

- plot and analyze $\chi(a)$


It's more than speculation-
It's a prediction!
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