

# Ants-Inspired Collective Problem Solving

## 仿螞蟻群體解題



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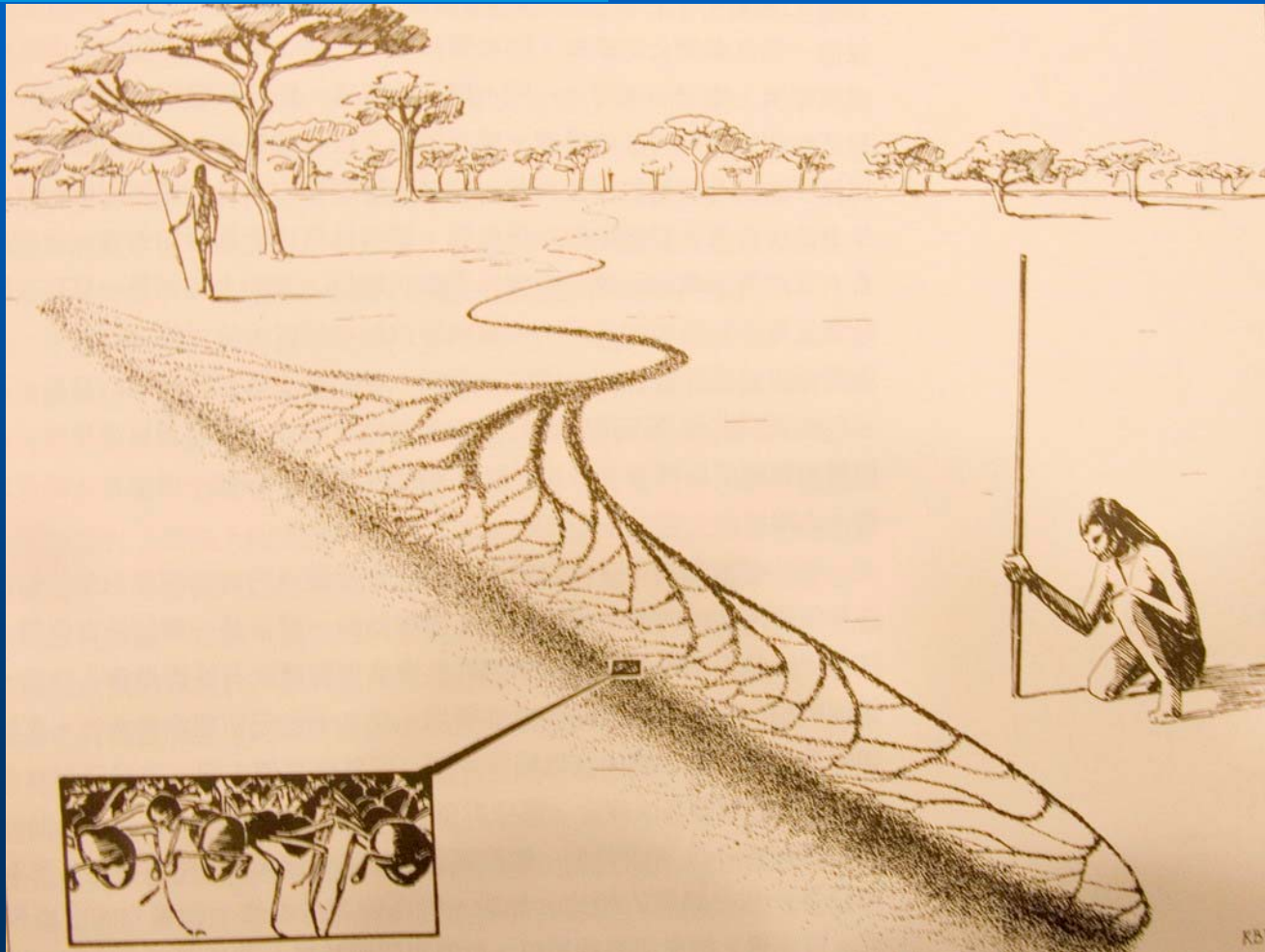


# 螞蟻的群體行為

## Collective Behavior in Ant Colony



# Super-Organism Model of Ant Colony



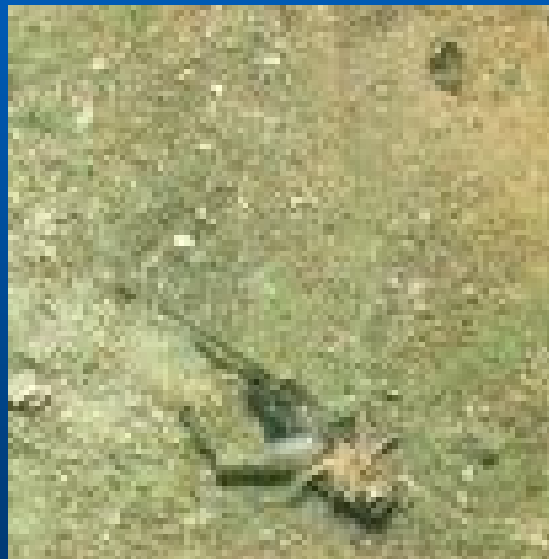


# Ant and Ant colony



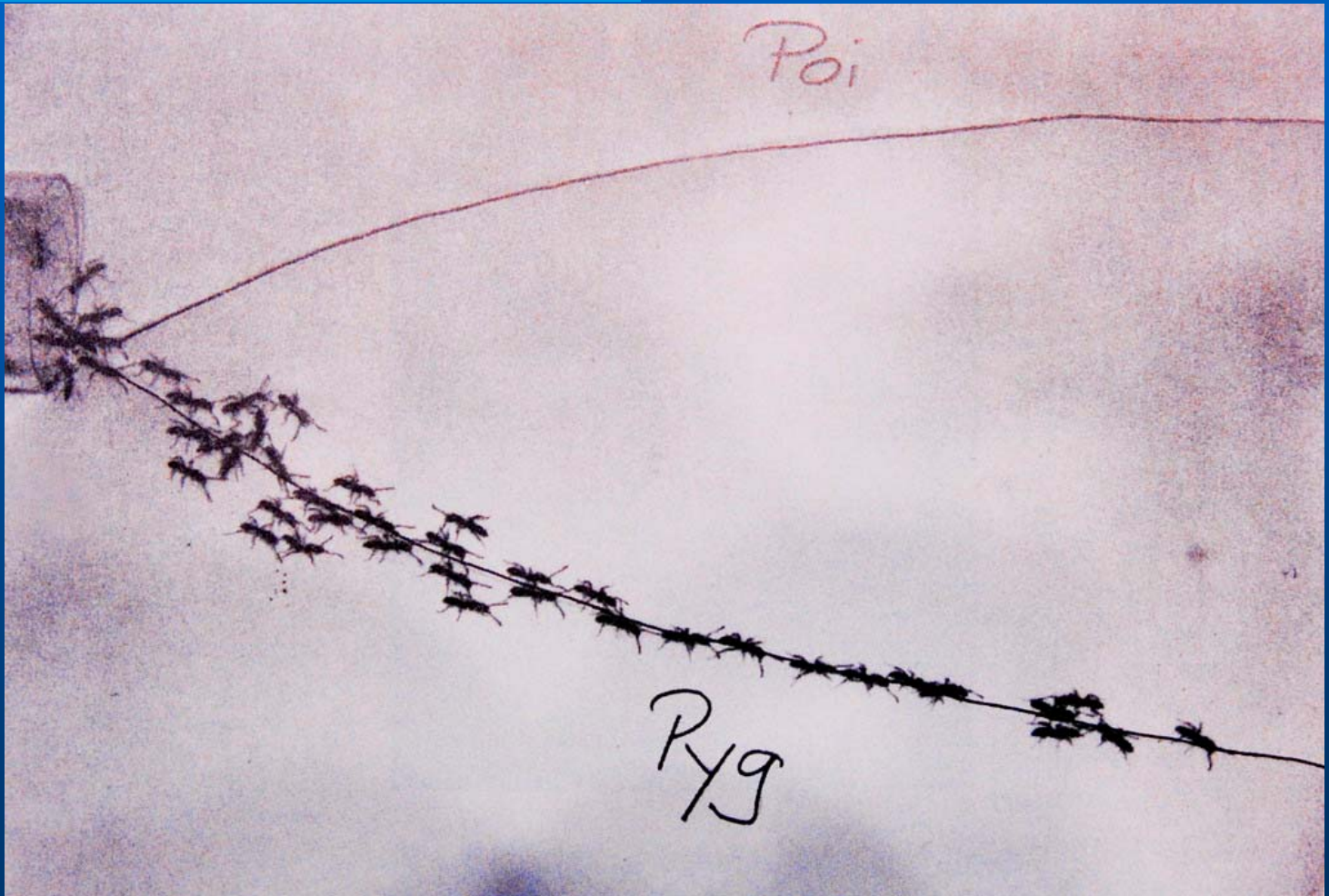


# Problem Solving in Ant colony





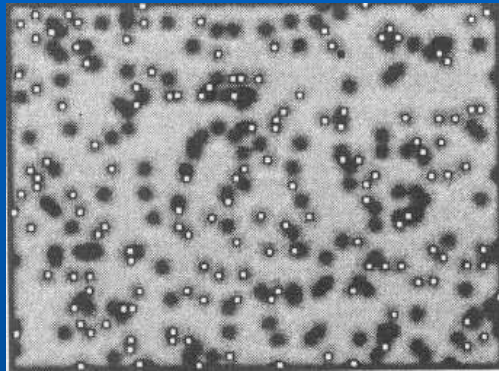
# Communication System in Ant Colony



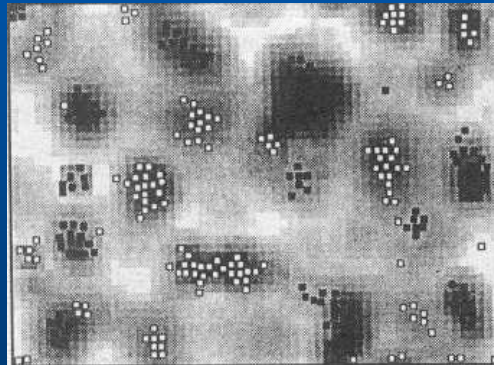


# Gathering Behavior in Ant Colony

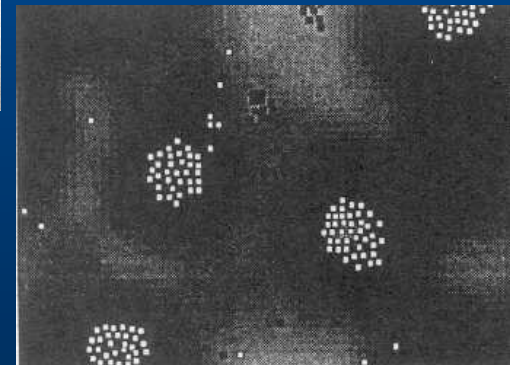
$T_1$



$T_2$



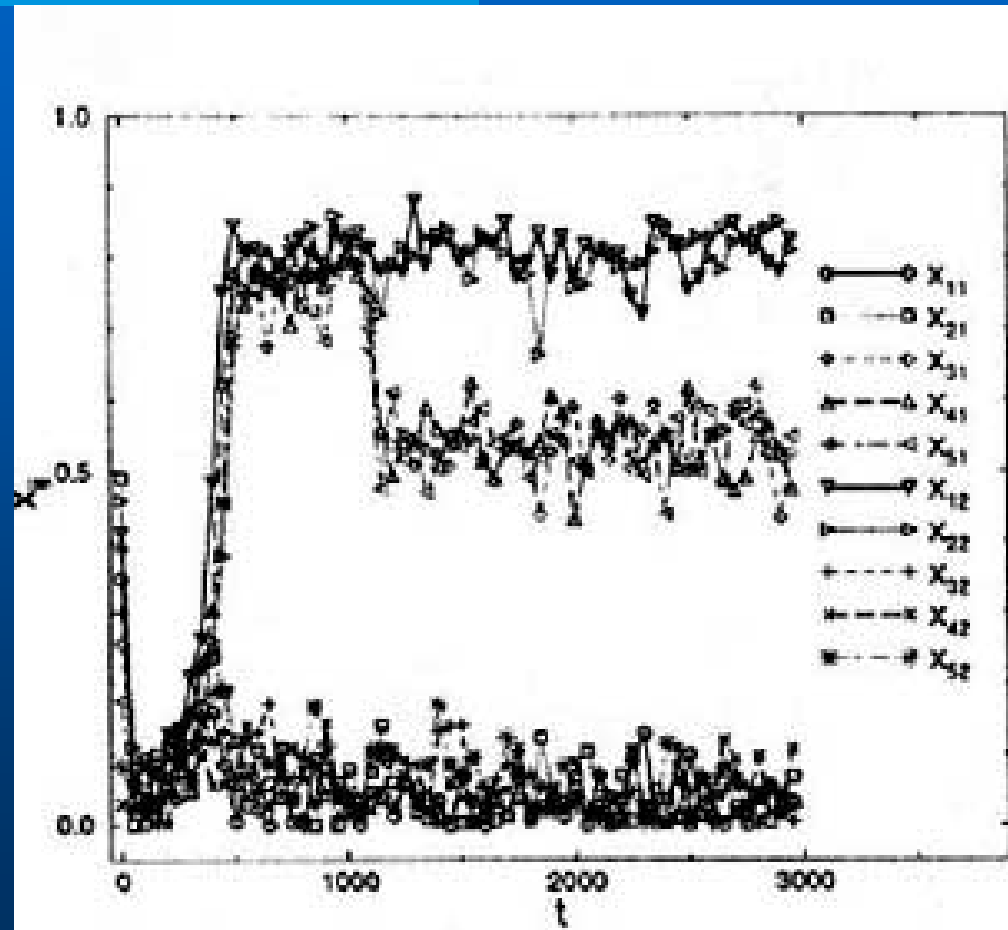
$T_3$







# Task Allocation in Ant Colony





# Nest Building in Ant Colony





# Bridge Building in Ant Colony





# Bridge Building in Ant Colony





# 仿螞蟻群體解題

## Ant-inspired Collective Problem Solving



# Collective Problem Solving

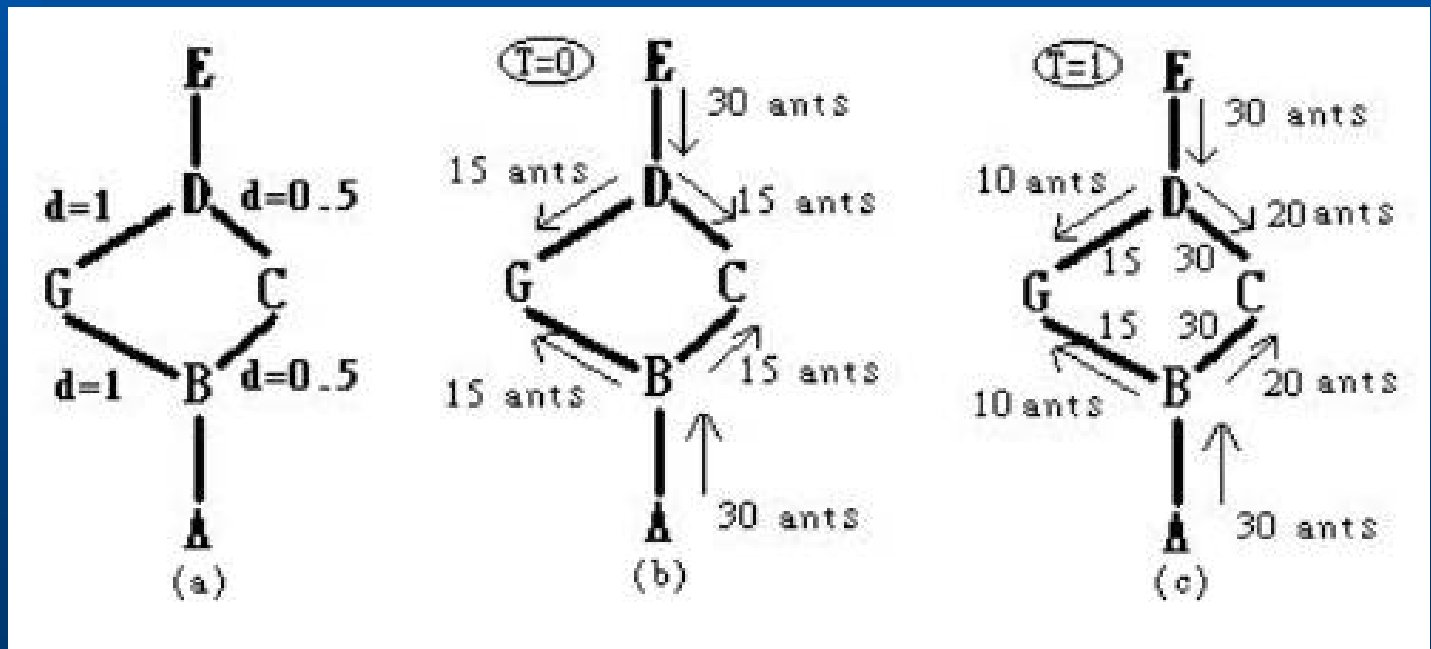
## Collective Problem Solving :

由一群簡單功能的個體(ant)所形成的群體(ant colony)，能夠展現出高可靠度、高適應性的自主化的解決問題的能力。



# Foraging Behavior of Ants

當螞蟻在食物和巢物之間來回行走時，會分泌一種化學物質：費洛蒙(pheromone)。當巢穴到食物之間有許多路徑可以選擇時，個別螞蟻將傾向於選擇費洛蒙較強的路徑。





# Formalization of Ants foraging

費  
洛  
蒙  
更  
新

$$\tau_{ij}(t+n) = \rho * \tau_{ij}(t) + \Delta \tau_{ij}$$

$$\Delta \tau_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m \Delta \tau_{ij}^k$$

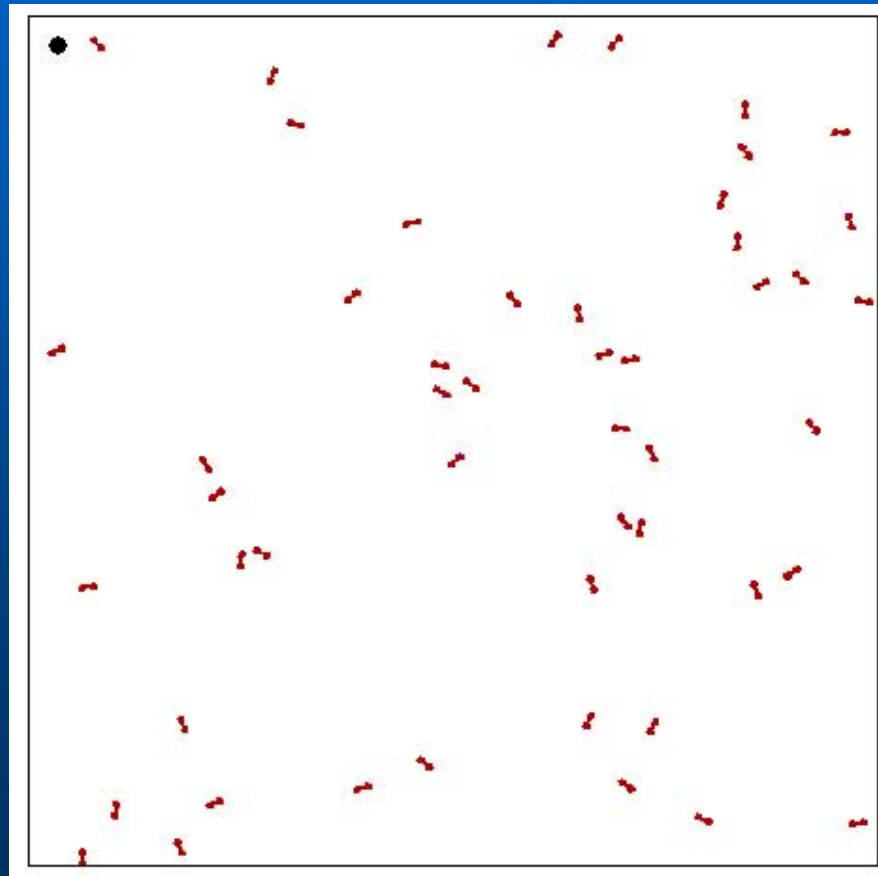
決  
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$$p_{ij}^k(t) = \frac{[\tau_{ij}(t)]^\alpha \cdot [\eta_{ij}]^\beta}{\sum_{l \in \mathcal{N}_i^k} [\tau_{il}(t)]^\alpha \cdot [\eta_{il}]^\beta} \quad \text{if } j \in \mathcal{N}_i^k$$



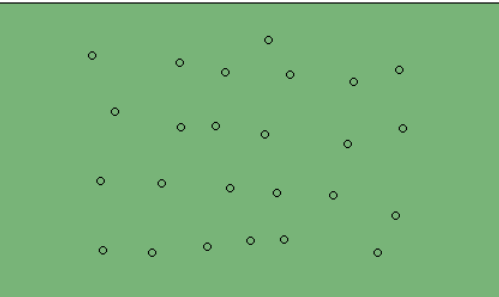


# Simulation of Ants foraging





# Ants foraging for TSP Optimization

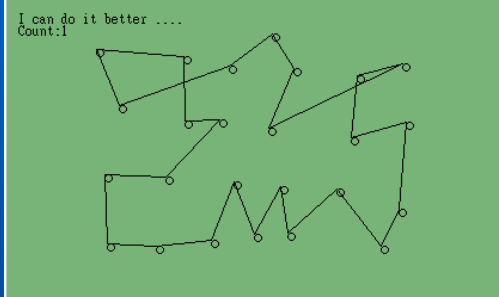


Ant Cycle Algorithm Applies on TSP  
Status : ( 398, 247 )

Ant Number   
Town Number   
Afa   
Beta   
Lo   
Iteration times   
Pheromone Quality

How To Use

I can do it better ....  
Count:1

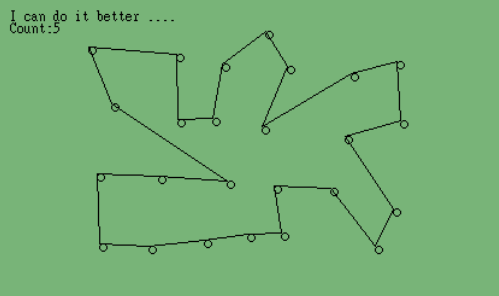


Ant Cycle Algorithm Applies on TSP  
Status : ( 341, 246 )

Ant Number   
Town Number   
Afa   
Beta   
Lo   
Iteration times   
Pheromone Quality

How To Use

I can do it better ....  
Count:5

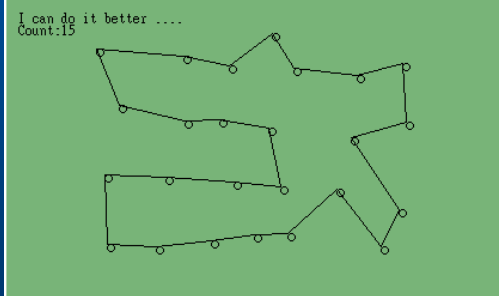


Ant Cycle Algorithm Applies on TSP  
Status : ( 415, 170 )

Ant Number   
Town Number   
Afa   
Beta   
Lo   
Iteration times   
Pheromone Quality

How To Use

I can do it better ....  
Count:15



Ant Cycle Algorithm Applies on TSP  
Status : ( 411, 185 )

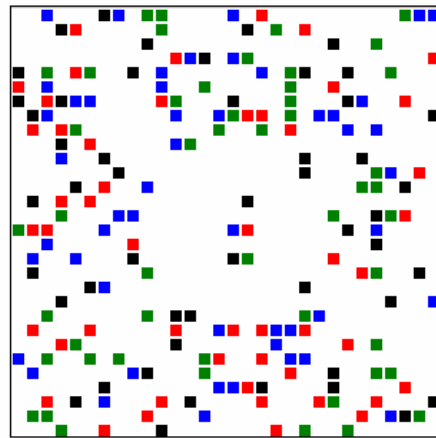
Ant Number   
Town Number   
Afa   
Beta   
Lo   
Iteration times   
Pheromone Quality

How To Use

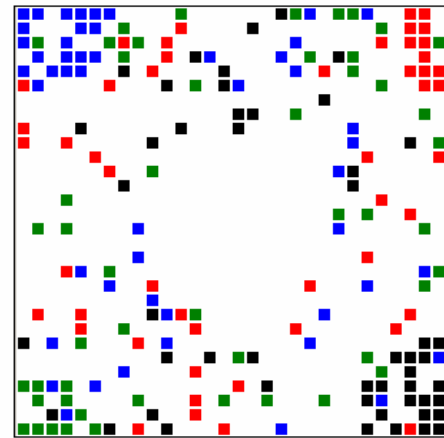
Ant-TSP DEMO



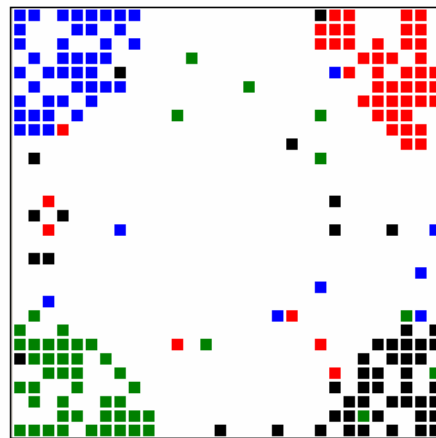
# Self-Organizing Gathering(SOG)



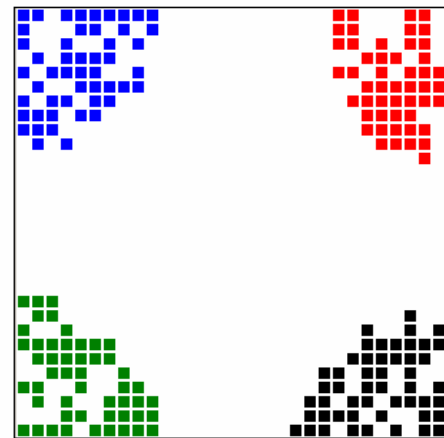
(a) t=0 分鐘



(b) t=10 分鐘



(e) t=20 分鐘



(f) t=40 分鐘



## Self-Organizing Gathering(SOG)

- 如果螞蟻正搬運一個物資，則牠在某位置 $x$ 放下的機率與該物資與 $x$ 周圍物資的同質性成正比。
- 如果螞蟻沒有搬運物資，則牠在某位置 $x$ 把一個物資搬起的機率與該物資與 $x$ 周圍物資的異質性成正比。



# Formalization of SOG

感知

$$f(o_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{s^2} \sum_{o_k \in \text{Neigh}(r)} \left[ 1 - \frac{d(o_j, o_k)}{\alpha} \right], & \text{if } > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

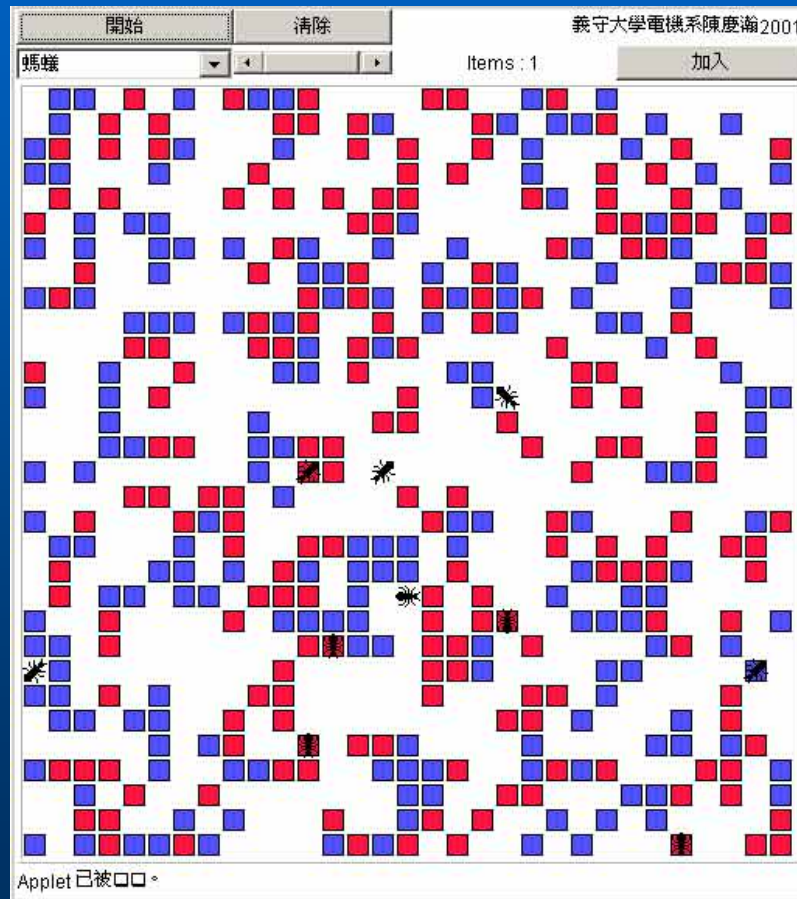
決策

$$\text{proba}(\text{pick up}) = \left( \frac{k_1}{k_1 + f(o_j)} \right)^2$$

$$\text{proba}(\text{deposit}) = \left( \frac{k_2}{k_2 + f(o_j)} \right)^2$$



# Simulation of SOG





# Spatial Entropy Measurement of SOG

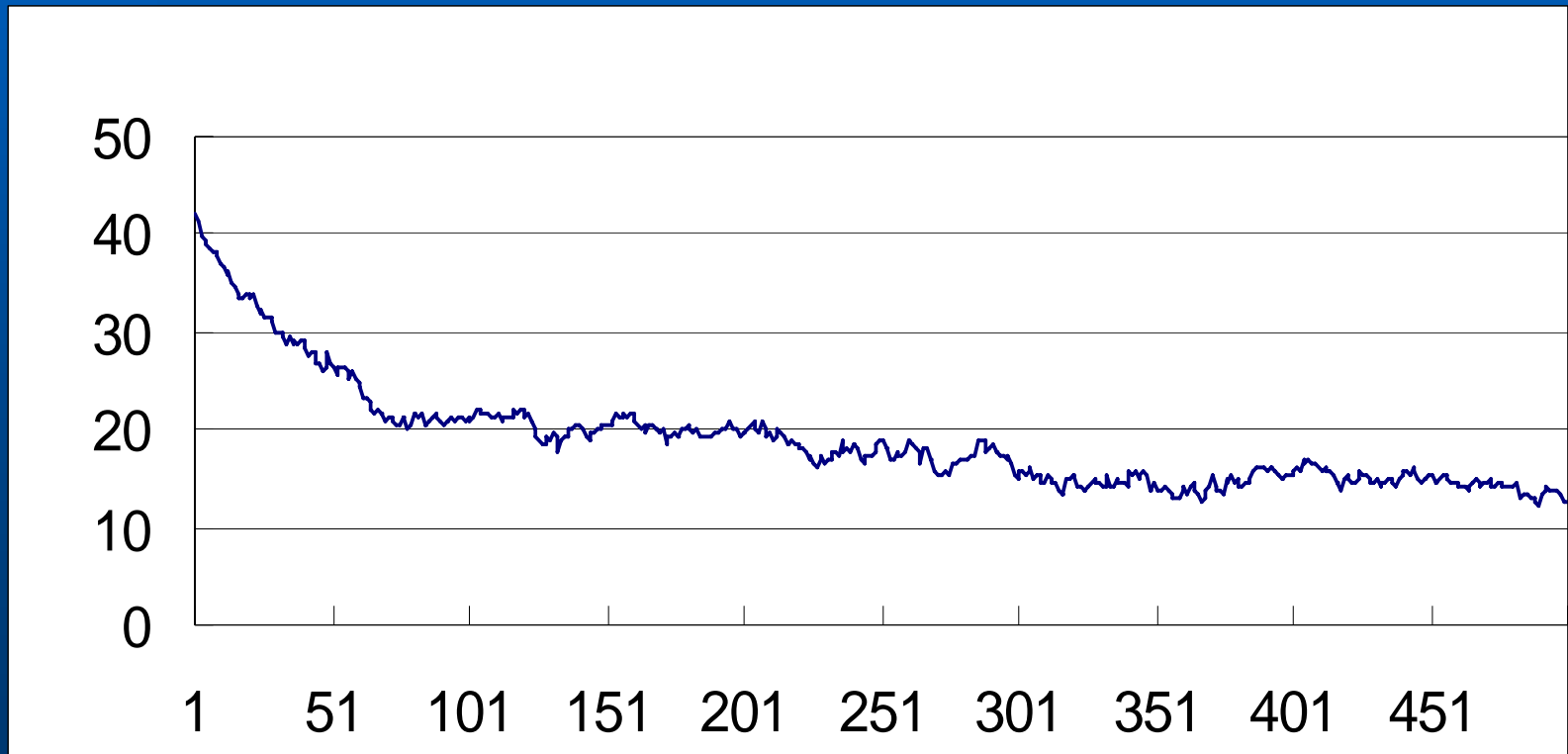
以空間熵度量系統的收斂性

$$E_s = \sum_{I \in \{S\}} P_I \log P_I$$



# Spatial Entropy Measurement of SOG

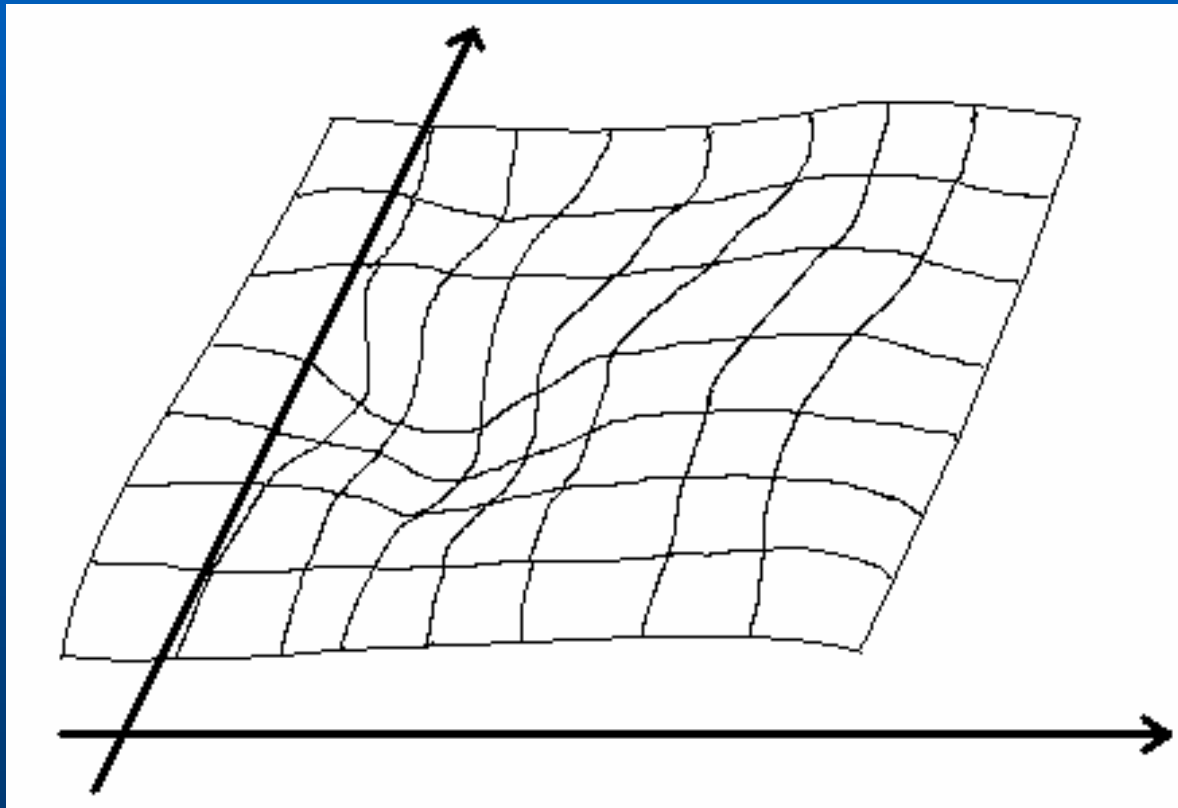
SOG系統的空間熵收斂曲線







# Optimization as problem solving





# Individual/Social Behavior Adaptation

個體經驗行為：

$$v_{j,d}(t) = v_{j,d}(t-1) + \phi_{j,d}^{(2)}(t)(x_{j,d}(t^\#) - x_{j,d}(t-1))$$

社會影響行為：

$$v_{j,d}(t) = v_{j,d}(t-1) + \phi_{j,d}^{(1)}(t)(x_{j,d}(t^*) - x_{j,d}(t-1))$$



# Particle Swarm Optimization

調整搜尋速度：

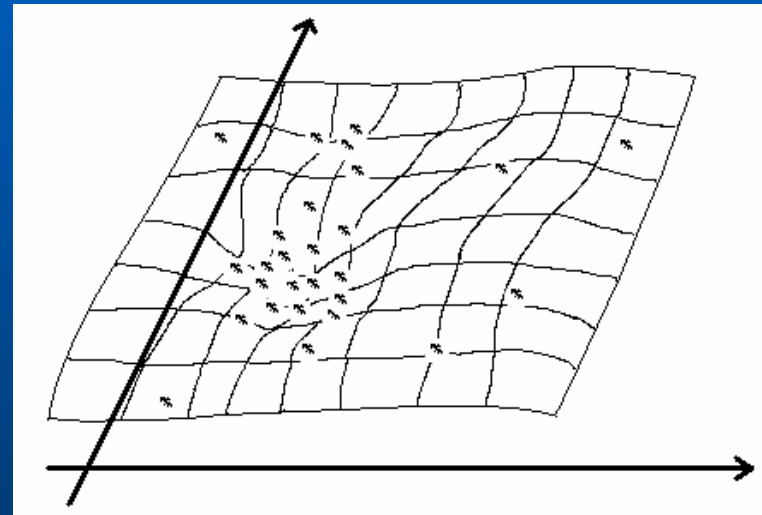
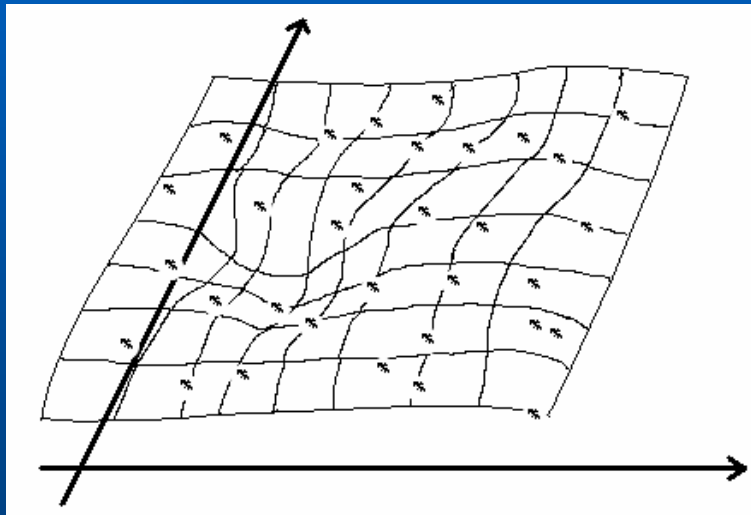
$$v_{j,d}(t) = v_{j,d}(t-1) + \phi_{j,d}^{(1)}(t)(x_{j,d}(t^*) - x_{j,d}(t-1)) \\ + \phi_{j,d}^{(2)}(t)(x_{j,d}(t^\#) - x_{j,d}(t-1))$$

新的搜尋位置：

$$x_{j,d}(t) = x_{j,d}(t-1) + v_{j,d}(t)$$



# Social Behavior for Optimization



展示程式



# Characteristics of Ant-inspired Collective Problem Solving

**Positive Feedback :**

快速找到最佳解

**Probabilistic Decision Making :**

跳出區域性最佳解

**Distributed Searching :**

Anti-control的平行搜尋策略



# Applications of Ant-inspired Collective Problem Solving

- Design Optimization
- Data Mining by Clustering
- Adaptive Task Allocation
- Multi-robots System
- Meta-heuristics for Intelligent System  
(Classification, Recognition, Prediction, Diagnosis...)

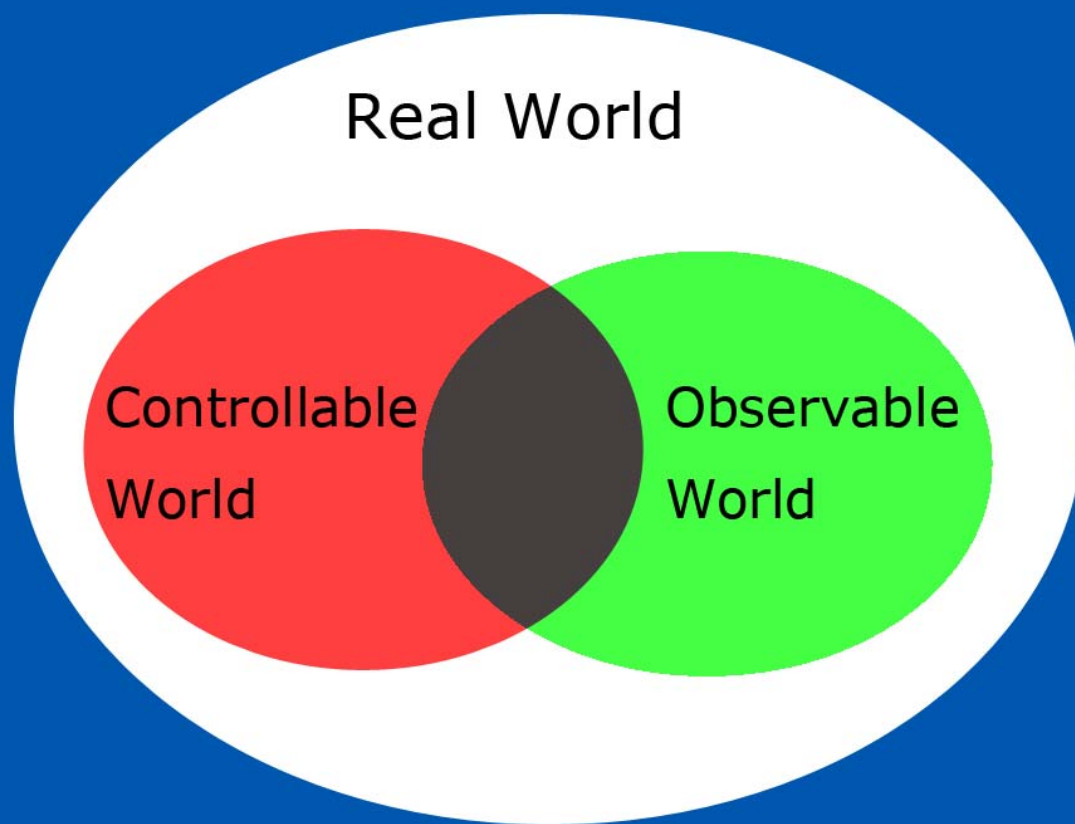


# 群體解題的科學認識論

## Scientific Epistemology for Collective Problem Solving



# 認識論與宇宙觀







# 理性主義的化約式思考



「把一個困難的問題分解成一些可以解決的較小問題。先解決那些最簡單、最清楚的問題，一一理解後，再逐步升高層次，探討複雜的事物。」

—笛卡兒

(Descartes, Rene du Perron, 1596-1650)



# 理性主義的決定論思考



「我們必須將宇宙萬物目前的狀態視為過去狀態的結果，同時也是未來狀態的成因.....沒有甚麼是不能被確定的，未來就如同過去一般將呈現在我們的眼前。」

—拉普拉斯

(Laplace, Pierre-Simon, 1749-1827)



# 傳統科學認識論觀點的解題

- 解題系統作為一個封閉系統，其結構與運作具有高度內在性、獨立性，而與環境無關。
- 解題系統作為一線性系統，具有可預測性、可控制性及內在的穩定性。



# 傳統科學認識論的解題困境

- Adaptivity
- Robustness
- Autonomy
- Intelligence

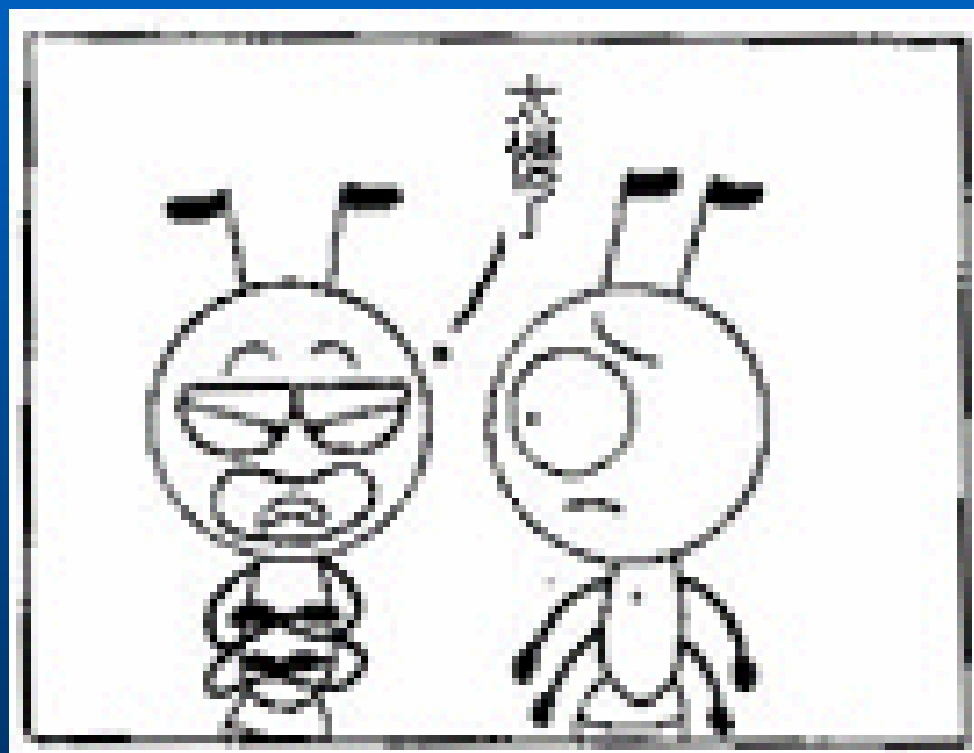


# 朝向群體解題的科學認識論

- 複雜系統(v.s.化約系統)
- 遠離平衡(v.s.穩定)
- 隨機的決定論(v.s.隨機/決定論)
- 自組織的(v.s.設計的)
- 分散式(v.s.集中式)



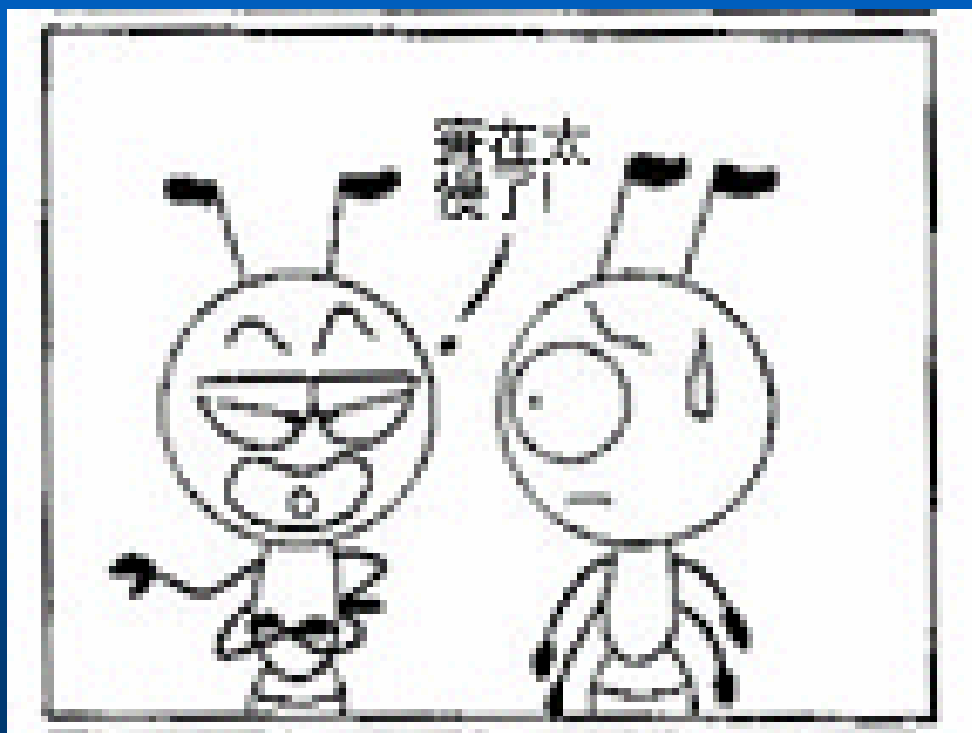
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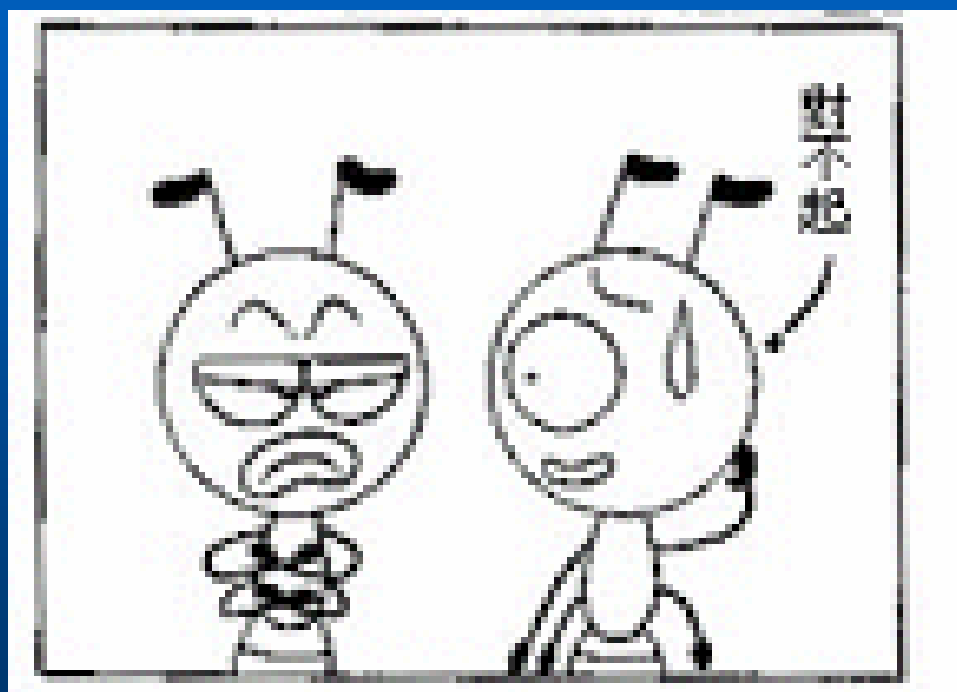
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