Periodical body's deformations are optimal strategies for locomotion

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ABSTRACT

A periodical cycle of body's deformation is a common strategy for locomotion (see for instance birds, fishes, humans). The aim of this talk is to establish that the auto-propulsion of deformable object is optimally achieved using periodic strategies of body's deformations. This property is proved by an asymptotic analysis of some optimal control problems, [1].

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References

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