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## Swarm Intelligent Systems: Theory and Applications

Swarm intelligence is the discipline that deals with natural and artificial systems composed of many individuals that coordinate their activities using decentralized control and self-organization. In particular, the discipline focuses on the collective behavior that result from the local interactions of the individuals with each other and with their environment. Examples of systems studied by swarm intelligence are colonies of ants and termites, schools of fish, flocks of birds, herds of land animals. Some human artifacts also fall into the domain of swarm intelligence, notably some multi-robot systems, and also certain computer programs that are written to tackle optimization and data analysis problems.

This Special Issue aims to exhibit some Chinese academic researches on this field, and to explore future directions. Relevant topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- **Modelling of collective biological systems such as social insect colonies, flocking vertebrates, and human crowds as well as any other swarm intelligence systems;**
- **Swarm-based optimization for complex constrained optimization problems;**
- **Swarm-based optimization for multi-objective optimization problems;**
- **Swarm-based optimization for dynamic environment optimization;**
- **Hybrid Swarm-based optimization techniques;**
- **Learning and search strategies in swarm-based optimization;**
- **Applications of swarm-based optimization methodology, such as graph partitioning, data clustering, etc.;**
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