Cooperative Control of Autonomous Surface Vehicles for Oil Skimming and Cleanup

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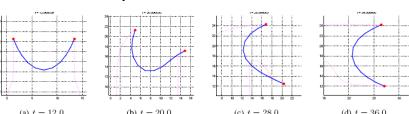
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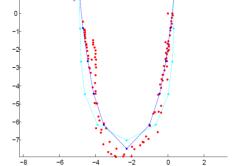
Model and simulation:

- Equations for rope dynamics.
- Discrete dynamic model.
- Quasi-static model.
- Force and position controlled simulations.



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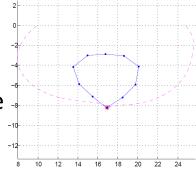


Field experiments:

- 2 ASVs with on-board computer, GPS and cameras for capturing rope shape & position.
- Steady state motion matching with model & simulation.

Shape control:

Achieve a desired shape



Coverage maximization:

Using relationship between separation between boats, rope length, max. force that vehicles can apply and coverage rate.

