

# <u>Applying hidden Markov</u> <u>modelling to fine-scale</u> <u>fish telemetry data</u>

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# Why?

- High density of migration barriers
  - Increase in hydropower development
- Blocks fish migration
- Fish navigation key to success in fishway efficiency
  - By improving attraction efficiency





# Fish navigation

- Fish navigation mainly depending on ecohydraulic cues
  - Flow velocity
  - Spatial velocity gradient
- How do fish react to ecohydraulic cues around fishway entrances?
  - Fine-scale telemetry allows to investigate fine-scale decisions





#### <u>Acoustic Telemetry – How does it work?</u>



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### <u>Acoustic Telemetry – fine-scale tracking</u>

- Fish position every
  - ~1 second
- Fish is utilizing different habitats
  - Swimming throughout
  - Resting in low-velocity





# Hidden Markov Models

- We know where.But why?
- Certain assumptions to be met:
  - Regular timesteps
  - Negligible measurement errors





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## HMM – Effect of regularization

- HMM developed for several tracks (1 fish)
- Choosing timestep affects state definition
- After state definition links to ecohydraulic parameters can be made









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