Theoretical and Experimental Studies on Frog Choruses Based on the Phase Oscillator Model and Sound-Imaging Method

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The authors of this paper developed a sound-visualizing device named Frog Firefly based on robot audition technology and used the devices to analyze frog choruses to obtain a new finding that is important from an ethological perspective. According to their finding, frogs form groups in a field, and each of the groups choruses in turn. In the research, the authors used the phase oscillator model to create a model of the frog choruses. Combining the knowledge on robot audition that has been cultivated to date, primarily by the Special Interest Group on AI Challenges, with the field of ethology has led to truly important results and led to unique and innovative research. Research relevant to this paper has been published in Scientific *Reports*, published by the Nature Publishing Group, and its significance from an ethological point of view has been acknowledged worldwide. From an engineering perspective, this research is an excellent example of expanding technologies created based on fundamental research into new research areas, and therefore we recommend it for the JSAI Incentive Award.

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