

Figure S1. Explanation of the guidance terms, showing the geometry of three chase paths used to describe aerial attack behaviors, adapted from (Brighton et al. 2017). Straight lines mark the line-of-sight bearing (λ) from attacker to target at regular time intervals. (A) Shows a parallel navigation course generated by proportional navigation (PN) at high values of the navigation constant N, which tends to nullify the line-of-sight rate (λ is held constant); (B) Shows a deviated pursuit generated by PN at N = 1, which tends to hold the deviation angle δ constant by turning at a rate equal to the line-of-sight rate; (C) Shows a pure pursuit generated by either PN at N = 1 or by proportional pursuit (PP) for an initial zero deviation angle, which tends to nullify the deviation angle δ (velocity vector γ is aligned with λ) resulting in in a tail-chase. Either PN at intermediate values of N, or the mixed guidance law (PN+PP), will tend to produce trajectories intermediate between the cases shown.

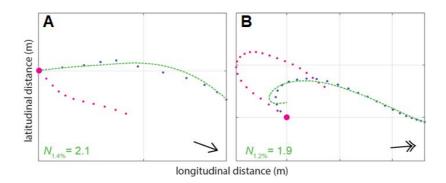


Figure S2. Two-dimensional (2D) attack trajectories for the 2/20 flights from n = 13 Gyrfalcons that were not successfully modelled under proportional navigation (PN) guidance. (A,B) The measured trajectories of target (magenta points) and attacker (blue points), overlain with the simulation with the lowest relative error lasting ≥ 2 s (green dashed line), corresponding to Fig. S2A and Fig. S2B in Tables S1 and S2. The corresponding parameter estimate for N is displayed on each plot, with a subscript indicating the relative error achieved. Black arrows display mean wind direction; double headed arrows correspond to wind speeds ≥ 20 km h⁻¹; gridlines at 10m spacing.

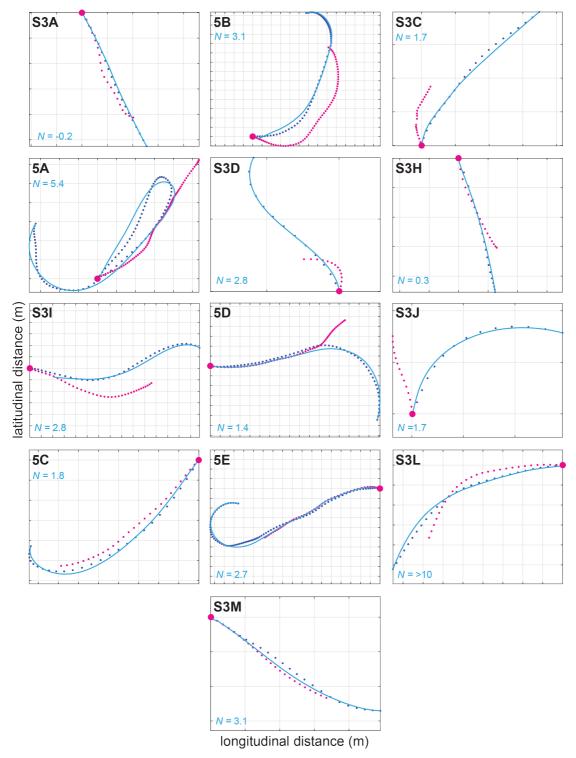


Figure S3. Two-dimensional (2D) attack trajectories for the 13/13 flights from n = 4 Peregrines that were successfully modelled under proportional navigation (PN) guidance. Panels show the measured trajectories of the target (magenta points) and attacker (blue points), overlain with the longest simulation fitted to within 1.0% error tolerance (blue lines) in 2D. The corresponding parameter estimate for N is displayed on each plot. Note that the only simulations with values of N falling beneath the 3^{rd} quartile for the Gyrfalcons (N < 1.4) coincide with nearly straight sections of flight (panels S3A, S3H), for which parameter estimation is unreliable. Panel labels correspond to the numbering and lettering of the figure panels in the original paper from which the measured trajectory data are drawn. Gridlines at 10m spacing.

Tables

date	bird ID	bird flight	flight	ght type pedigree		sex	mass (kg)
10/08/17	10	2 nd	Fig.S2A	chase Gyrfalcon		2	1.295
10/08/17	8	2 nd	Fig.4J	Fig.4J chase Gyrfalco		₫	0.939
25/08/17	11	1 st	Fig.4K	chase	Gyrfalcon	2	1.098
25/08/17	13	1 st	Fig.4A	dash	Gyrfalcon	₫	0.850
25/08/17	16	1 st	Fig.4H	dash	Gyrfalcon	9	1.179
25/08/17	18	1 st	Fig.4B	dash	Gyrfalcon	9	1.144
25/08/17	17	1 st	Fig.4L	chase	Gyrfalcon	ð	0.944
25/08/17	21	1 st	Fig.4C	dash	Gyrfalcon	8	0.871
25/08/17	20	1 st	Fig.4D	dash	Gyrfalcon	9	1.164
25/08/17	22	1 st	Fig.4E	dash	Gyrfalcon	8	0.877
25/08/17	23	1 st	Fig.4F	dash	Gyrfalcon	8	0.858
25/08/17	73	1 st	Fig.4I	dash	dash 7/8 th Gyr-Saker		0.856
25/08/17	M4	1 st	Fig.4G	dash	dash 7/8 th Gyr-Saker		1.136
26/08/17	13	2 nd	Fig.S2B	dash	Gyrfalcon	8	0.838
26/08/17	18	2 nd	Fig.4M	chase	Gyrfalcon	\$	1.143
26/08/17	17	2 nd	Fig.4N	chase	Gyrfalcon	8	0.937
26/08/17	23	2 nd	Fig.4O	chase	Gyrfalcon	8	0.873
26/08/17	73	2 nd	Fig.4P	chase	7/8th Gyr-Saker	ð	0.872
26/08/17	M4	2 nd	Fig.4Q	chase	7/8 th Gyr-Saker	9	1.129
26/08/17	13	3 rd	Fig.4R	chase	7/8 th Gyr-Saker	ð	0.838

Table S1. Details of the n = 13 Gyrfalcons used in the 20 flights meeting quality control for accuracy of the GPS data. The letter code for each flight corresponds to the lettering of all applicable figure panels.

date pir		_	PP						PN		PN+PP					
	bird	flight	K (s	duration	distance	relative	N	duratio	distance	relative	N	K (s	duration	distance	relative	
	_	-	1)	(s)	(m)	error	IV	n	(m)	error	IV.	1)	(s)	(m)	error	
10/08/17	14	Fig.S2A	0.9	2.0	18.8	0.70	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	-0.3	1.1	5.4	56.5	0.74	
10/08/17	1	Fig.4J	0.6	7.8	171.3	0.88	2.8	10.6	212.7	1.04	1.0	0.3	13.6	225.3	1.04	
25/08/17	2	Fig.4K	0.1	10.2	107.4	0.99	0.1	6.4	65.7	0.81	-0.1	0.1	10.2	107.4	0.65	
25/08/17	4	Fig.4A	1.1	3.2	18.8	1.01	2.1	5.4	28.9	0.86	1.0	0.2	5.4	28.9	0.56	
25/08/17	5	Fig.4H	1.0	4	20.9	1.04	0.6	2.6	17.1	1.03	1.0	0.9	4	20.9	0.28	
25/08/17	6	Fig.4B	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	5.3	4.2	22.4	0.68	1.5	0.4	4.2	22.4	0.23	
25/08/17	7	Fig.4L	-0.1	2.2	14.8	0.43	-0.2	2.2	14.8	0.52	1.4	-1.0	3.4	24.6	0.92	
25/08/17	8	Fig.4C	8.8	3.8	35.2	1.01	1.2	5	40.6	0.60	1.6	-0.8	5.2	41.1	0.59	
25/08/17	9	Fig.4D	0.2	3.4	27.0	0.81	0.2	3.6	27.6	0.71	0.4	-0.2	3.6	27.6	0.52	
25/08/17	10	Fig.4E	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	0.5	3.8	32.2	0.96	0.7	-0.4	3.8	32.2	0.78	
25/08/17	11	Fig.4F	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	1.0	4.2	37.9	0.61	1.5	0.3	4.2	37.9	0.51	
25/08/17	12	Fig.4I	-0.3	2.4	8.4	0.70	1.4	3.2	14.3	1.04	1.8	1.75	4.0	18.1	0.28	
25/08/17	13	Fig.4G	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	1.2	6.4	57.3	0.85	2.2	2.5	7	59.2	0.65	
26/08/17	4	Fig.S2B	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	1.6	-1.8	3.6	31.3	0.45	
26/08/17	6	Fig.4M	1.2	6	63.2	1.04	1.4	8.2	86.9	0.35	1.8	-0.2	8.4	89.8	0.53	
26/08/17	7	Fig.4N	0.2	3.2	21.6	0.68	0.2	3.2	21.6	0.81	0.0	0.2	3.2	21.6	0.67	
26/08/17	9	Fig.4O	1.9	2.6	10.0	0.64	1.4	2.6	10.0	0.41	1.2	0.22	2.6	10.0	0.42	
26/08/17	12	Fig.4P	1.7	13.6	162.6	1.00	1.0	12	148.3	0.51	1.0	0.2	18.8	202.4	1.01	
26/08/17	13	Fig.4Q	2.3	13	144.0	0.28	1.1	13.2	145.9	1.01	-	28.6	14.6	157.5	0.68	
26/08/17	4	Fig.4R	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	1.2	14.2	143.2	0.85	1.3	-0.2	14.2	143.2	0.68	

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			1)	(s)	(m)	error		(s)	(m)	error		1)	(s)	(m)	error		
09/05/14	Le	Fig.S3,S3A	-0.2	3.6	58.5	0.51	-	3.6	58.5	0.44	0.3	0.7	8.8	121.6	1.00		
28/04/14	Le	Fig.S3,5B	-0.5	3.0	47.7	0.68	3.1	13.2	195.7	1.01	2.2	0.3	14.8	209.0	0.63		
22/08/16	Rn	Fig.S3,S3C	-0.6	2.8	35.0	0.46	1.7	4.2	53.7	0.99	1.9	0.6	7.0	88.0	0.90		
22/08/16	Mo	Fig.S3,5A	-0.3	5.0	55.7	0.90	5.4	18.4	199.5	1.01	2.9	0.8	6.8	67.1	0.66		
23/08/16	Ra	Fig.S3,S3D	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	2.8	2.6	23.3	0.44	8.0	-5.6	4.6	46.4	0.24		
08/09/16	Rn	Fig.S3,S3H	0.4	3.4	47.6	0.55	0.3	3.2	47.2	0.43	1.6	3.5	3.6	47.9	0.82		
09/09/16	Rn	Fig.S3,S3I	0.0	2.2	41.7	0.87	2.8	7.4	156.7	0.77	1.3	0.2	7.8	165.0	0.90		
09/09/16	Ra	Fig.S3,5D	0.9	12.2	235.4	0.86	1.4	11.4	223.5	0.92	0.7	0.5	14.2	251.5	0.30		
12/09/16	Rn	Fig.S3,S3J	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	n.s.	1.7	2.6	37.7	0.87	0.6	0.2	20.0	89.5	0.86		
14/09/16	Ra	Fig.S3,5C	1.3	5.2	113.7	0.68	1.8	5.4	115.7	0.87	0.8	0.3	12.2	201.4	1.00		
15/09/16	Rn	Fig.S3,5E	0.8	14.2	195.8	0.96	2.7	17.6	242.2	0.62	3.4	-0.1	17.6	242.2	0.52		
15/09/16	Ra	Fig.S3,S3L	-0.2	2.6	51.1	0.06	>10	5.4	105.8	1.00	1.0	0.6	8.8	149.1	1.01		
15/09/16	Mo	Fig.S3,S3M	-0.1	3.6	44.9	0.77	3.1	4.6	56.9	0.90	2.6	-2.2	5.0	61.1	0.54		

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