

SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 4

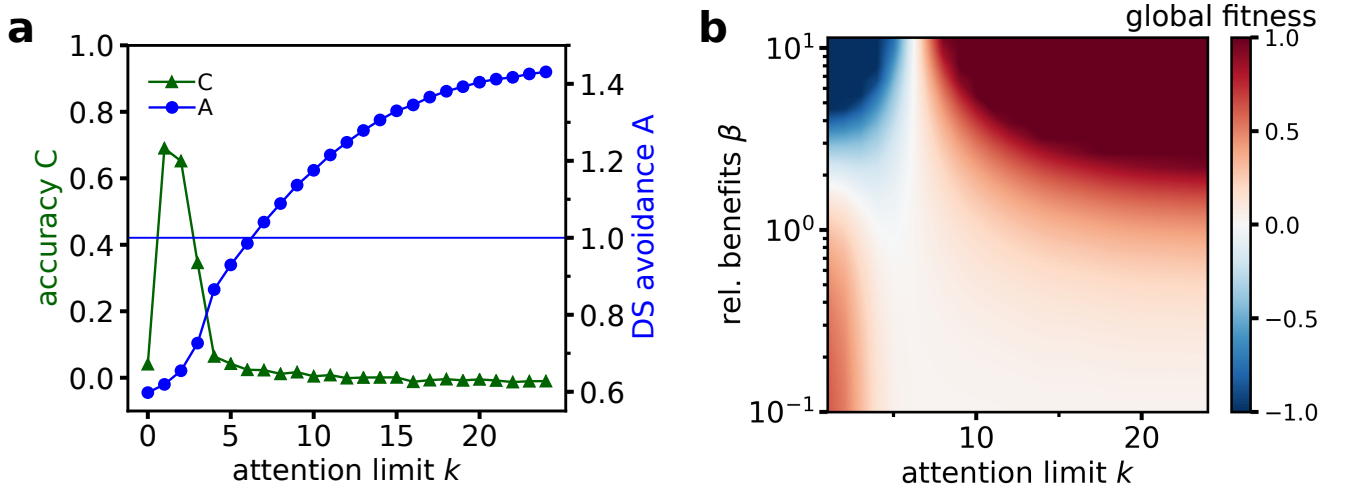


FIG. S4. Collective accuracy and DS avoidance in a structured environment with circular DS free path. **a**: Accuracy C (triangles) and normalized DS avoidance A (circles) versus attention limit k . The horizontal line, $A = 1$, corresponds to DS avoidance of non-interacting agents. For socially interacting agents with low k values ($k = 1, 2$), we observe high accuracy C together with almost complete ignorance towards environmental cues. By increasing k , more agents start to sense the environment and react to DSs. At high k , the collective behavior is fully determined by the local environmental features: We observe collective rotation along the circular path and complete ignorance of the global migration direction accessible to informed individuals (see Supp. Movie S4). This trade-off is shown quantitatively by the global fitness function in panel **b** versus attention capacity k and relative DS avoidance benefit β . There are two maxima in global fitness, one for low k , $\beta \ll 1$, showing migration accuracy to be beneficial for the group, the other at high k , and $\beta > 1$, which indicates higher benefits associated with DS avoidance in comparison to collective accuracy.