

# Gnowee Benchmark Results

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## ABSTRACT

This is a comprehensive listing of all of the benchmark results in tabular format. The associated plots can be found at <https://github.com/SlaybaughLab/Gnowee/tree/development/Benchmarks/plots>. The results are organized by benchmark type (continuous, mixed-integer, and combinatorial). The continuous benchmarks are further subdivided into constrained and unconstrained problems. In each section, the parameters used are listed first, followed by the individual problem detailed results, and rounded off with function evaluation and FOM summary tables. Each algorithm was run for 100 iterations against each benchmark shown to compile sufficient statistics. A select subset of these problems can be found in: "Gnowee: A Metaheuristic Optimization Algorithm for Constrained, Black Box, Combinatorial Mixed-Integer Engineering Design Problems."

## Gnowee Optimized Settings

From the hyper-optimization results, available at <https://github.com/SlaybaughLab/Gnowee/tree/development/Benchmarks/plots/HyperOptimization>, these were found to be the best settings across the range of problem types considered. They may not be the best for any given type, but they are the most likely to be best given a generic problem that combines multiple variable types.

**Table 1.** Gnowee algorithm settings.

| Parameter | Gnowee   |
|-----------|----------|
| $P$       | 25       |
| $S_i$     | NOLH-CDR |
| $\alpha$  | 0.5      |
| $\gamma$  | 1        |
| $\beta$   | 10       |
| $f_1$     | 1.0      |
| $f_d$     | 0.2      |
| $f_e$     | 0.2      |

## Continuous Design Benchmarks

The convergence criteria used for the continuous benchmarks is shown in Table 2. Additionally, a 1% of optimal fitness convergence criteria was used for all problems and algorithms.

**Table 2.** Control settings for the continuous optimization algorithms.

| Algorithm | $F_{max}$ | $F_{stall}$ | $P$ |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----|
| GA[1]     | 200,000   | 10,000      | 50  |
| SA[1]     | 200,000   | 10,000      | 1   |
| PSO[1]    | 200,000   | 10,000      | 100 |
| CS[2]     | 200,000   | 10,000      | 25  |
| MCS[3]    | 200,000   | 10,000      | 20  |
| MEIGO[4]  | 200,000   | 10,000      | 50  |
| Gnowee    | 200,000   | 10,000      | 25  |

# Unconstrained Functions

Functions considered:

1. 3D Ackley [5]
2. 4D De Jong [5]
3. 2D Easom [5]
4. 6D Greiwank
5. 5D Rastrigin
6. 5D Rosenbrock

**Table 3.** Three dimensional Ackley optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.0.

|                         | GA[1]                      | SA[1]               | PSO[1]             | CS [2]              | MCS[3]                     | MEIGO[4]                   | Gnowee              |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>-0.000142 ± 0.13784</b> | -0.000005 ± 0.00210 | 0.000189 ± 0.00171 | 0.000168 ± 0.00188  | <b>-0.001334 ± 0.01217</b> | <u>0.000154 ± 0.00114</u>  | -0.000202 ± 0.00201 |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>-0.010039 ± 0.25649</b> | -0.000065 ± 0.00204 | 0.000301 ± 0.00186 | -0.000011 ± 0.00186 | <b>0.000669 ± 0.01164</b>  | <u>0.000054 ± 0.00119</u>  | -0.000069 ± 0.00175 |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>0.018987 ± 0.19196</b>  | -0.000009 ± 0.00272 | 0.000098 ± 0.00171 | 0.000077 ± 0.00192  | <b>-0.000824 ± 0.01333</b> | <u>-0.000050 ± 0.00111</u> | 0.000093 ± 0.00175  |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>0.178450 ± 0.72239</b>  | 0.008015 ± 0.00587  | 0.006896 ± 0.00220 | 0.007394 ± 0.00227  | <b>0.052226 ± 0.03022</b>  | <u>0.006551 ± 0.00232</u>  | 0.007264 ± 0.00200  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>2411 ± 2310</b>         | 3692 ± 3332         | 2945 ± 648         | 8445 ± 1056         | <b>19053 ± 6129</b>        | <u>618 ± 431</u>           | 1898 ± 269          |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>1666.8</b>              | 109.7               | 33.7               | 85.9                | <b>1955.5</b>              | <u>12.5</u>                | 19.7                |
| $x_1^{best}$            | -0.000118                  | 0.000246            | 0.000057           | -0.000484           | 0.000142                   | <u>0.000286</u>            | -0.000581           |
| $x_2^{best}$            | -0.000175                  | -0.000043           | 0.000130           | 0.000041            | -0.001033                  | <u>-0.000179</u>           | -0.000203           |
| $x_3^{best}$            | -0.000119                  | -0.000874           | 0.000772           | -0.000038           | -0.000798                  | <u>-0.000079</u>           | -0.000268           |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 0.000561                   | 0.002113            | 0.001824           | 0.001129            | 0.003063                   | <u>0.001134</u>            | 0.001558            |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 2000                       | 3587                | 2700               | 8175                | 10845                      | <u>566</u>                 | 1680                |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 1.1                        | 7.6                 | 4.9                | 9.2                 | 33.2                       | <u>0.6</u>                 | 2.6                 |

**Table 4.** Four dimensional DeJong optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.0.

|                         | GA[1]                  | SA[1]                   | PSO[1]                  | CS [2]                  | MCS[3]                  | MEIGO[4]                | Gnowee                  |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | 0.007030 $\pm$ 0.03815 | 0.001011 $\pm$ 0.04421  | -0.001355 $\pm$ 0.03941 | -0.001043 $\pm$ 0.04236 | 0.008158 $\pm$ 0.03965  | -0.005668 $\pm$ 0.03503 | -0.000338 $\pm$ 0.04201 |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | 0.003892 $\pm$ 0.04043 | 0.001925 $\pm$ 0.04607  | -0.005754 $\pm$ 0.04030 | 0.002235 $\pm$ 0.04028  | 0.005167 $\pm$ 0.03935  | -0.007166 $\pm$ 0.03545 | -0.001091 $\pm$ 0.03982 |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | 0.004782 $\pm$ 0.03706 | -0.000971 $\pm$ 0.04227 | 0.002082 $\pm$ 0.03578  | -0.004713 $\pm$ 0.03947 | -0.002679 $\pm$ 0.04141 | 0.001778 $\pm$ 0.03410  | 0.000343 $\pm$ 0.03779  |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | 0.004358 $\pm$ 0.04272 | 0.005013 $\pm$ 0.04613  | -0.000697 $\pm$ 0.03325 | -0.008977 $\pm$ 0.04188 | -0.003806 $\pm$ 0.03883 | -0.000570 $\pm$ 0.02998 | -0.000592 $\pm$ 0.03963 |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | 0.006332 $\pm$ 0.00240 | 0.007942 $\pm$ 0.00165  | 0.005547 $\pm$ 0.00238  | 0.006769 $\pm$ 0.00225  | 0.006394 $\pm$ 0.00245  | 0.005705 $\pm$ 0.00265  | 0.006287 $\pm$ 0.00239  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | 946 $\pm$ 248          | 1714 $\pm$ 1683         | 1833 $\pm$ 300          | 3033 $\pm$ 488          | 1100 $\pm$ 291          | 396 $\pm$ 70            | 892 $\pm$ 173           |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | 10.7                   | 53.7                    | 15.2                    | 30.5                    | 12.6                    | 3.5                     | 8.9                     |
| $x_1^{best}$            | -0.001593              | -0.019614               | -0.007134               | 0.017529                | -0.006102               | -0.010734               | 0.006149                |
| $x_2^{best}$            | -0.005017              | 0.017816                | -0.003572               | 0.012948                | 0.006524                | 0.005440                | -0.016879               |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 0.014303               | 0.005006                | -0.014717               | -0.004303               | -0.004873               | -0.014811               | -0.008211               |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 0.005449               | -0.030062               | 0.006252                | 0.015140                | -0.019086               | -0.001821               | -0.021813               |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 0.000262               | 0.001631                | 0.000319                | 0.000723                | 0.000468                | 0.000368                | 0.000866                |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 1200                   | 142                     | 2300                    | 3025                    | 1364                    | 345                     | 840                     |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 0.3                    | 0.2                     | 0.7                     | 2.2                     | 0.6                     | 0.1                     | 0.7                     |

**Table 5.** Two dimensional Easom optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = -1.0.

|                         | GA[1]                                 | SA[1]                                 | PSO[1]                  | CS [2]                  | MCS[3]                  | MEIGO[4]                       | Gnowee                  |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>2.869975</b> $\pm$ <b>2.20867</b>  | <b>3.224050</b> $\pm$ <b>2.1422</b>   | 3.145620 $\pm$ 0.03864  | 3.146342 $\pm$ 0.04087  | 3.138960 $\pm$ 0.04199  | <u>3.141590</u> $\pm$ 0.00009  | 3.141648 $\pm$ 0.03949  |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>2.865983</b> $\pm$ <b>1.77447</b>  | <b>3.057748</b> $\pm$ <b>2.29850</b>  | 3.145847 $\pm$ 0.03396  | 3.141920 $\pm$ 0.04075  | 3.143228 $\pm$ 0.03854  | <u>3.141591</u> $\pm$ 0.00008  | 3.140957 $\pm$ 0.03939  |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>-0.617519</b> $\pm$ <b>0.48584</b> | <b>-0.228645</b> $\pm$ <b>0.31523</b> | -0.996029 $\pm$ 0.00270 | -0.995035 $\pm$ 0.00269 | -0.995176 $\pm$ 0.00297 | <u>-0.996433</u> $\pm$ 0.00294 | -0.995393 $\pm$ 0.00289 |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>4459</b> $\pm$ <b>4448</b>         | <b>13831</b> $\pm$ <b>5076</b>        | 2088 $\pm$ 307          | 7040 $\pm$ 1601         | 3747 $\pm$ 2510         | <u>464</u> $\pm$ <u>140</u>    | 828 $\pm$ 193           |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>6809.3</b>                         | <b>22415.2</b>                        | 11.9                    | 58.8                    | 54.4                    | <u>3.2</u>                     | 6.5                     |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 3.131134                              | 3.135441                              | <u>3.138883</u>         | 3.148398                | 3.146351                | <u>3.141674</u>                | <u>3.144702</u>         |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 3.137317                              | 3.144053                              | <u>3.150349</u>         | 3.147757                | 3.146351                | <u>3.141387</u>                | <u>3.145677</u>         |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | -0.999809                             | -0.999934                             | <u>-0.999874</u>        | -0.999874               | -0.999932               | <u>-0.999996</u>               | <u>-0.999960</u>        |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 1050                                  | 18461                                 | <u>2200</u>             | 7575                    | 185                     | <u>560</u>                     | <u>1140</u>             |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 0.2                                   | 1.2                                   | <u>0.0</u>              | 1.0                     | 0.3                     | <u>0.0</u>                     | <u>0.0</u>              |

**Table 6.** Six dimensional Griewank optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.0.

|                       | GA[1]                      | SA[1]                       | PSO[1]                     | CS [2]                     | MCS[3]                     | MEIGO[4]                   | Gnowee                     |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$           | <u>0.201159 ± 1.88417</u>  | <b>1.398034 ± 14.43923</b>  | <b>1.378999 ± 5.22680</b>  | <b>-0.565628 ± 8.15575</b> | <b>1.493224 ± 10.15150</b> | <b>0.253461 ± 2.66910</b>  | <b>-0.249655 ± 3.90880</b> |
| $x_2^{avg}$           | <u>0.366524 ± 2.49624</u>  | <b>1.586266 ± 14.05641</b>  | <b>0.033644 ± 4.95374</b>  | <b>-0.349229 ± 7.21675</b> | <b>1.848447 ± 11.77585</b> | <b>0.088039 ± 3.27772</b>  | <b>0.309768 ± 3.04246</b>  |
| $x_3^{avg}$           | <u>0.116993 ± 0.76640</u>  | <b>0.409451 ± 15.88555</b>  | <b>0.216585 ± 6.41644</b>  | <b>0.499912 ± 7.80187</b>  | <b>1.991870 ± 10.94855</b> | <b>0.153182 ± 3.03737</b>  | <b>-0.268980 ± 3.12493</b> |
| $x_4^{avg}$           | <u>-0.054621 ± 0.63482</u> | <b>0.599289 ± 17.37281</b>  | <b>-0.138224 ± 5.97189</b> | <b>0.464491 ± 8.57921</b>  | <b>1.168596 ± 12.17359</b> | <b>-0.185988 ± 3.01119</b> | <b>0.508842 ± 4.42702</b>  |
| $x_5^{avg}$           | <u>-0.003029 ± 0.10780</u> | <b>0.784290 ± 14.00737</b>  | <b>0.580790 ± 5.53637</b>  | <b>-1.234143 ± 7.51511</b> | <b>0.365900 ± 11.69798</b> | <b>-0.633978 ± 3.31817</b> | <b>-0.206882 ± 4.04043</b> |
| $x_6^{avg}$           | <u>-0.046531 ± 0.78031</u> | <b>-1.892031 ± 16.97844</b> | <b>-0.831285 ± 6.70667</b> | <b>-0.487097 ± 8.80328</b> | <b>0.723274 ± 10.68837</b> | <b>0.237986 ± 3.17676</b>  | <b>0.612019 ± 4.83796</b>  |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$    | <u>0.009721 ± 0.01310</u>  | <b>0.687428 ± 0.18887</b>   | <b>0.055998 ± 0.04546</b>  | <b>0.171407 ± 0.06900</b>  | <b>0.380347 ± 0.09967</b>  | <b>0.016864 ± 0.00962</b>  | <b>0.022621 ± 0.01468</b>  |
| $N_f^{avg}(\vec{x})$  | <u>1951 ± 2507</u>         | <b>20419 ± 6603</b>         | <b>29043 ± 12138</b>       | <b>37820 ± 14534</b>       | <b>21559 ± 7489</b>        | <b>68392 ± 28540</b>       | <b>31535 ± 12324</b>       |
| $FOM_{avg}$           | <u>92.1</u>                | <b>27654.5</b>              | <b>3665.4</b>              | <b>13956.8</b>             | <b>16746.4</b>             | <b>2597.3</b>              | <b>1549.7</b>              |
| $x_1^{best}$          | <u>-0.014629</u>           | <b>9.267509</b>             | 0.002698                   | <b>3.123689</b>            | <b>2.856185</b>            | -3.140023                  | 0.073978                   |
| $x_2^{best}$          | <u>0.027934</u>            | <b>-17.667665</b>           | -0.018476                  | <b>4.312563</b>            | <b>4.696731</b>            | -4.438444                  | -0.008706                  |
| $x_3^{best}$          | <u>-0.010507</u>           | <b>-0.338062</b>            | 0.081153                   | <b>-5.272732</b>           | <b>-0.143986</b>           | -0.000000                  | -0.043893                  |
| $x_4^{best}$          | <u>-0.027760</u>           | <b>-5.927008</b>            | -0.167562                  | <b>5.921846</b>            | <b>-18.690699</b>          | 0.000000                   | 0.044161                   |
| $x_5^{best}$          | <u>0.015453</u>            | <b>6.907948</b>             | -0.007364                  | <b>-0.013710</b>           | <b>0.111012</b>            | 0.000000                   | 0.004432                   |
| $x_6^{best}$          | <u>0.126265</u>            | <b>-7.423495</b>            | -0.001446                  | <b>-0.074905</b>           | <b>-7.710662</b>           | -0.000000                  | 0.017419                   |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$   | <u>0.001773</u>            | <b>0.190155</b>             | 0.004704                   | <b>0.048529</b>            | <b>0.173032</b>            | 0.008251                   | 0.003347                   |
| $N_f^{best}(\vec{x})$ | <u>1200</u>                | <b>14484</b>                | 18100                      | <b>46725</b>               | <b>19395</b>               | 19419                      | 23901                      |
| $FOM_{best}$          | <u>2.1</u>                 | <b>2754.2</b>               | 85.1                       | <b>2267.5</b>              | <b>3356.0</b>              | 160.2                      | 80.0                       |

**Table 7.** Five dimensional Rastrigin optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.0.

|                         | GA[I]                     | SA[I]                      | PSO[I]                     | CS [2]                     | MCS[3]                     | MCS[4]                     | Gnowee                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>0.059971 ± 0.34112</b> | <b>0.128445 ± 0.73054</b>  | <b>-0.059811 ± 0.39477</b> | <b>0.009766 ± 0.54304</b>  | <b>0.129483 ± 0.67286</b>  | <b>0.010135 ± 0.17291</b>  | <b>-0.000037 ± 0.00239</b> |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>0.010147 ± 0.38716</b> | <b>0.109002 ± 0.74688</b>  | <b>-0.029804 ± 0.45724</b> | <b>-0.087902 ± 0.51953</b> | <b>-0.028690 ± 0.72844</b> | <b>0.000636 ± 0.14297</b>  | <b>-0.000118 ± 0.14144</b> |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>0.050058 ± 0.29575</b> | <b>0.039757 ± 0.76083</b>  | <b>-0.019501 ± 0.31564</b> | <b>-0.092107 ± 0.50942</b> | <b>0.099634 ± 0.65522</b>  | <b>-0.020182 ± 0.19898</b> | <b>-0.010414 ± 0.09948</b> |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | <b>0.049819 ± 0.45551</b> | <b>-0.059536 ± 0.75964</b> | <b>0.010146 ± 0.36051</b>  | <b>-0.017504 ± 0.52925</b> | <b>0.059926 ± 0.70538</b>  | <b>-0.030188 ± 0.26285</b> | <b>0.000230 ± 0.00256</b>  |
| $x_5^{avg}$             | <b>0.070279 ± 0.35357</b> | <b>0.010283 ± 0.80608</b>  | <b>-0.041048 ± 0.31722</b> | <b>0.077687 ± 0.56729</b>  | <b>0.098970 ± 0.71294</b>  | <b>-0.019731 ± 0.24429</b> | <b>-0.009626 ± 0.09958</b> |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>0.700755 ± 1.25056</b> | <b>2.938346 ± 1.24507</b>  | <b>0.727492 ± 1.16489</b>  | <b>2.003227 ± 1.88113</b>  | <b>2.475966 ± 1.50516</b>  | <b>0.233308 ± 0.43974</b>  | <b>0.046677 ± 0.19456</b>  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>6869 ± 5247</b>        | <b>18730 ± 7638</b>        | <b>16709 ± 7918</b>        | <b>54486 ± 27535</b>       | <b>30959 ± 10655</b>       | <b>18272 ± 10361</b>       | <b>17455 ± 6700</b>        |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>15843</b>              | <b>122362</b>              | <b>29436</b>               | <b>274627</b>              | <b>155804</b>              | <b>11514.8</b>             | <b>1753.0</b>              |
| $x_1^{best}$            | <u>0.001626</u>           | <b>0.000272</b>            | -0.001102                  | 0.001539                   | 0.001879                   | -0.000334                  | -0.000047                  |
| $x_2^{best}$            | <u>-0.000293</u>          | <b>-0.000114</b>           | 0.000834                   | 0.000695                   | -0.002179                  | -0.000307                  | 0.000830                   |
| $x_3^{best}$            | <u>0.000268</u>           | <b>-0.000060</b>           | 0.001411                   | 0.000208                   | 0.000568                   | -0.000172                  | -0.000916                  |
| $x_4^{best}$            | <u>0.001571</u>           | <b>-0.994495</b>           | 0.001792                   | -0.001619                  | 0.004230                   | -0.000634                  | 0.000049                   |
| $x_5^{best}$            | <u>0.000950</u>           | <b>-0.000333</b>           | 0.000570                   | -0.002458                  | 0.003963                   | -0.000023                  | -0.000199                  |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <u>0.001225</u>           | <b>0.995042</b>            | 0.001476                   | 0.002293                   | 0.008371                   | 0.000744                   | 0.000312                   |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <u>2750</u>               | <b>12850</b>               | 6600                       | 86125                      | 41017                      | 9604                       | 18180                      |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <u>3.4</u>                | <b>12786.3</b>             | 9.7                        | 198                        | 343                        | 7.1                        | 5.7                        |



**Table 8.** Five dimensional Rosenbrock optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.0.

|                         | GA[1]                                    | SA[1]                                    | PSO[1]                                   | CS [2]                                   | MCS[3]                                   | MEIGO[4]               | Gnowee                                   |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|------------------------|--|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>0.664163 <math>\pm</math> 0.74193</b> | <b>0.913465 <math>\pm</math> 0.24200</b> | <b>0.930016 <math>\pm</math> 0.33490</b> | <b>0.958113 <math>\pm</math> 0.03493</b> | <b>0.670798 <math>\pm</math> 0.74108</b> | 0.999510 $\pm$ 0.00063 | <u>0.996755 <math>\pm</math> 0.00587</u> |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>0.987771 <math>\pm</math> 0.05248</b> | <b>0.892751 <math>\pm</math> 0.18282</b> | <b>0.976758 <math>\pm</math> 0.03037</b> | <b>0.919281 <math>\pm</math> 0.06734</b> | <b>0.995704 <math>\pm</math> 0.13957</b> | 0.999007 $\pm$ 0.00126 | <u>0.993776 <math>\pm</math> 0.01133</u> |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>0.979232 <math>\pm</math> 0.10844</b> | <b>0.830949 <math>\pm</math> 0.22824</b> | <b>0.955287 <math>\pm</math> 0.05926</b> | <b>0.852081 <math>\pm</math> 0.12937</b> | <b>1.011265 <math>\pm</math> 0.28502</b> | 0.998055 $\pm$ 0.00246 | <u>0.977659 <math>\pm</math> 0.02125</u> |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | <b>0.970839 <math>\pm</math> 0.23840</b> | <b>0.742486 <math>\pm</math> 0.28736</b> | <b>0.916683 <math>\pm</math> 0.12106</b> | <b>0.743928 <math>\pm</math> 0.23910</b> | <b>1.104951 <math>\pm</math> 0.62274</b> | 0.996133 $\pm$ 0.00488 | <u>0.975512 <math>\pm</math> 0.04473</u> |
| $x_5^{avg}$             | <b>0.998742 <math>\pm</math> 0.61122</b> | <b>0.632370 <math>\pm</math> 0.35765</b> | <b>0.854708 <math>\pm</math> 0.27400</b> | <b>0.609654 <math>\pm</math> 0.46952</b> | <b>1.604654 <math>\pm</math> 1.71378</b> | 0.992275 $\pm$ 0.00970 | <u>0.953105 <math>\pm</math> 0.08908</u> |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>0.732415 <math>\pm</math> 1.48960</b> | <b>0.341593 <math>\pm</math> 0.77527</b> | <b>0.148894 <math>\pm</math> 0.67298</b> | <b>0.228330 <math>\pm</math> 0.19906</b> | <b>1.176830 <math>\pm</math> 1.70477</b> | 0.008955 $\pm$ 0.00121 | <u>0.007585 <math>\pm</math> 0.00210</u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>92171 <math>\pm</math> 51761</b>      | <b>15837 <math>\pm</math> 6841</b>       | <b>76826 <math>\pm</math> 32339</b>      | <b>69941 <math>\pm</math> 45990</b>      | <b>41264 <math>\pm</math> 26915</b>      | 11743 $\pm$ 4440       | <u>11560 <math>\pm</math> 2834</u>       |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>181239</b>                            | <b>12420</b>                             | <b>25884</b>                             | <b>47472</b>                             | <b>143587</b>                            | 224.4                  | <u>152.2</u>                             |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 0.995179                                 | <u>0.994959</u>                          | 0.993468                                 | 0.996795                                 | <b>0.993286</b>                          | 0.999108               | 0.996602                                 |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 0.988557                                 | <u>0.988849</u>                          | 0.987842                                 | 0.997276                                 | <b>0.987204</b>                          | 0.998287               | 0.994582                                 |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 0.981532                                 | <u>0.980139</u>                          | 0.970684                                 | 0.993203                                 | <b>0.968473</b>                          | 0.997278               | 0.990845                                 |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 0.962683                                 | <u>0.959798</u>                          | 0.942644                                 | 0.991269                                 | <b>0.936557</b>                          | 0.994757               | 0.979425                                 |
| $x_5^{best}$            | 0.926854                                 | <u>0.918535</u>                          | 0.885976                                 | 0.988646                                 | <b>0.870901</b>                          | 0.989218               | 0.959626                                 |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 0.004111                                 | <u>0.003610</u>                          | 0.007758                                 | 0.007634                                 | <b>0.013065</b>                          | 0.003514               | 0.001572                                 |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 3950                                     | <u>187</u>                               | 72300                                    | 34975                                    | <b>33664</b>                             | 11296                  | 12369                                    |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 16                                       | <u>0.7</u>                               | 561                                      | 1399                                     | <b>440</b>                               | 39.7                   | 19.4                                     |

**Table 9.** Summary of function evaluation results for continuous unconstrained optimization benchmarks. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run.

|          | Ackley (3-D)                   | De Jong (4-D)              | Easom (2-D)                    | Griewank (6-D)                  | Rastrigin (5-D)                              | Rosenbrock (5-D)                 |
|----------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| GA[1]    | <b>2411</b> $\pm$ <b>2310</b>  | 968 $\pm$ 248              | <b>4459</b> $\pm$ <b>4448</b>  | <u>1951</u> $\pm$ <u>2507</u>   | <b>6869</b> $\pm$ <b>5247</b>                | <b>92171</b> $\pm$ <b>51761</b>  |
| SA[1]    | 3692 $\pm$ 3332                | 1714 $\pm$ 1683            | <b>13831</b> $\pm$ <b>5076</b> | <b>20419</b> $\pm$ <b>6603</b>  | <b>18730</b> $\pm$ <b>7638</b>               | <b>15837</b> $\pm$ <b>6841</b>   |
| PSO[1]   | 2945 $\pm$ 648                 | 1833 $\pm$ 300             | 2088 $\pm$ 307                 | <b>29043</b> $\pm$ <b>12138</b> | <b>16709</b> $\pm$ <b>7918</b>               | <b>76826</b> $\pm$ <b>3.2339</b> |
| CS[2]    | 8445 $\pm$ 1056                | 3033 $\pm$ 488             | 7040 $\pm$ 1601                | <b>37820</b> $\pm$ <b>14534</b> | <b>54486</b> $\pm$ <b>27535</b>              | <b>69941</b> $\pm$ <b>45990</b>  |
| MCS[3]   | <b>19053</b> $\pm$ <b>6129</b> | 1100 $\pm$ 291             | 3747 $\pm$ 2510                | <b>21559</b> $\pm$ <b>7489</b>  | <b>30959</b> $\pm$ <b>10655</b>              | <b>41264</b> $\pm$ <b>26915</b>  |
| MEIGO[4] | <u>618</u> $\pm$ <u>431</u>    | <u>369</u> $\pm$ <u>70</u> | <u>464</u> $\pm$ <u>140</u>    | <b>68392</b> $\pm$ <b>28540</b> | <b>18272</b> $\pm$ <b>10361</b>              | 11743 $\pm$ 4440                 |
| Gnowee   | 1898 $\pm$ 269                 | 892 $\pm$ 173              | 828 $\pm$ 193                  | <b>31535</b> $\pm$ <b>12324</b> | <u><b>17455</b></u> $\pm$ <u><b>6700</b></u> | <u>11560</u> $\pm$ <u>2834</u>   |

**Table 10.** Summary of FOM results for continuous unconstrained optimization benchmarks. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run.

|          | Ackley (3-D)  | De Jong (4-D) | Easom (2-D)    | Griewank (6-D) | Rastrigin (5-D)      | Rosenbrock (5-D) |
|----------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| GA[1]    | <b>1666.8</b> | 10.7          | <b>6809.3</b>  | <u>92.1</u>    | <b>15843</b>         | <b>181239</b>    |
| SA[1]    | 109.7         | 53.7          | <b>22415.2</b> | <b>27654.5</b> | <b>122362</b>        | <b>12420</b>     |
| PSO[1]   | 33.7          | 15.2          | 11.9           | <b>3665.4</b>  | <b>29436</b>         | <b>25884</b>     |
| CS[2]    | 85.9          | 30.5          | 58.8           | <b>13956.8</b> | <b>274627</b>        | <b>47472</b>     |
| MCS[3]   | <b>1955.5</b> | 12.6          | 54.4           | <b>16746.4</b> | <b>155804</b>        | <b>143587</b>    |
| MEIGO[4] | <u>12.5</u>   | <u>3.5</u>    | <u>3.2</u>     | <b>2597.3</b>  | <b>11514.8</b>       | 224.4            |
| Gnowee   | 19.7          | 8.9           | 6.5            | <b>1549.7</b>  | <u><b>1753.0</b></u> | <u>152.2</u>     |

# Constrained Functions

Functions considered:

1. Welded Beam [5]
2. Pressure Vessel [5]
3. Speed Reducer [5]
4. Spring [5]

The Pressure Vessel problem used was generally the same between the MI and continuous case. For the continuous case, the thickness of shell and head were made to be continuous variables. Everything else was left the same between the two cases. The optimal found was 5885.33285347.

**Table 11.** Welded Beam optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 1.724852 [5].

|                         | GA[1]                                | SA[1]                                | PSO[1]                 | CS [2]                 | MCS[3]                               | MEIGO[4]                             | Gnowee                 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>0.535380</b> $\pm$ <b>0.27754</b> | <b>0.159921</b> $\pm$ <b>0.03097</b> | 0.203742 $\pm$ 0.00440 | 0.203259 $\pm$ 0.00302 | <b>0.206113</b> $\pm$ <b>0.02361</b> | <u>0.205698</u> $\pm$ <u>0.00004</u> | 0.203344 $\pm$ 0.00255 |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>2.430234</b> $\pm$ <b>1.31992</b> | <b>5.454721</b> $\pm$ <b>1.42779</b> | 3.533882 $\pm$ 0.08177 | 3.551189 $\pm$ 0.06770 | <b>3.602632</b> $\pm$ <b>0.57210</b> | <u>3.471443</u> $\pm$ <u>0.00082</u> | 3.539995 $\pm$ 0.05569 |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>5.244808</b> $\pm$ <b>1.20508</b> | <b>9.064175</b> $\pm$ <b>0.37189</b> | 9.040988 $\pm$ 0.07305 | 9.053524 $\pm$ 0.03750 | <b>8.913393</b> $\pm$ <b>0.31918</b> | <u>9.036835</u> $\pm$ <u>0.00053</u> | 9.049939 $\pm$ 0.04067 |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | <b>0.707833</b> $\pm$ <b>0.28695</b> | <b>0.211915</b> $\pm$ <b>0.01399</b> | 0.206968 $\pm$ 0.00282 | 0.206465 $\pm$ 0.00080 | 0.213877 $\pm$ 0.01599               | <u>0.205741</u> $\pm$ <u>0.00001</u> | 0.206546 $\pm$ 0.00090 |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>3.268729</b> $\pm$ <b>0.75854</b> | <b>1.938610</b> $\pm$ <b>0.12968</b> | 1.740241 $\pm$ 0.00813 | 1.740365 $\pm$ 0.00420 | <b>1.775602</b> $\pm$ <b>0.06015</b> | <u>1.738767</u> $\pm$ <u>0.00253</u> | 1.738984 $\pm$ 0.00255 |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>21786</b> $\pm$ <b>32462</b>      | <b>18648</b> $\pm$ <b>7571</b>       | 7895 $\pm$ 9676        | 29307 $\pm$ 6633       | <b>35775</b> $\pm$ <b>21311</b>      | <u>1803</u> $\pm$ <u>844</u>         | 5910 $\pm$ 1311        |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>106667.6</b>                      | <b>5125.8</b>                        | 329.4                  | 442.6                  | <b>2933.8</b>                        | <u>35.0</u>                          | 80.6                   |
| $x_1^{best}$            | <b>0.210064</b>                      | 0.205379                             | 0.205379               | 0.205390               | 0.204258                             | <u>0.205700</u>                      | 0.205479               |
| $x_2^{best}$            | <b>3.477943</b>                      | 3.513764                             | 3.479932               | 3.487902               | 3.500719                             | <u>3.470942</u>                      | 3.533783               |
| $x_3^{best}$            | <b>8.782271</b>                      | 9.063732                             | 9.065610               | 9.072675               | 9.049050                             | <u>9.037137</u>                      | 9.042888               |
| $x_4^{best}$            | <b>0.217819</b>                      | 0.206069                             | 0.205654               | 0.205737               | 0.205855                             | <u>0.205731</u>                      | 0.205732               |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>1.778071</b>                      | 1.737478                             | 1.730026               | 1.732982               | 1.729743                             | <u>1.731085</u>                      | 1.730380               |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>11850</b>                         | 6074                                 | 3600                   | 23825                  | 26083                                | <u>1074</u>                          | 8440                   |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>365.6</b>                         | 44.5                                 | 10.8                   | 112.3                  | 74.0                                 | <u>3.9</u>                           | 27.1                   |

**Table 12.** Pressure Vessel optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 5885.332800.

|                         | GA[1]                         | SA[1]                          | PSO[1]                         | CS [2]                 | MCS[3]                         | MEIGO[4]                      | Gnowee                       |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | 0.864415 ± 0.04369            | 0.940023 ± 0.02975             | 0.864334 ± 0.06945             | 0.787252 ± 0.00918     | 0.858054 ± 0.05374             | <b>0.799934 ± 0.02224</b>     | <u>0.786637 ± 0.00659</u>    |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | 0.427522 ± 0.02125            | 0.464654 ± 0.01471             | 0.428286 ± 0.03319             | 0.393513 ± 0.00557     | 0.425774 ± 0.02601             | <b>0.395689 ± 0.01113</b>     | <u>0.393452 ± 0.00392</u>    |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | 44.774889 ± 2.28465           | 48.705831 ± 1.54145            | 44.208110 ± 3.52936            | 40.689886 ± 0.49253    | 44.167221 ± 2.73328            | <b>41.438960 ± 1.15286</b>    | <u>40.673817 ± 0.35776</u>   |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | 147.679491 ± 24.28765         | 112.457234 ± 14.98499          | 150.432099 ± 38.31871          | 195.452603 ± 6.49264   | 153.122188 ± 29.85924          | <b>185.551070 ± 14.24299</b>  | <u>195.630753 ± 4.94062</u>  |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>6056.931682 ± 89.12492</b> | <b>6318.467444 ± 201.83904</b> | <b>6071.894010 ± 138.45163</b> | 5937.014124 ± 13.89697 | <b>6068.109699 ± 110.82856</b> | <b>5950.171681 ± 29.31413</b> | <u>5934.575903 ± 7.93851</u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>12900 ± 4412</b>           | <b>38069 ± 25758</b>           | <b>14420 ± 7912</b>            | 24348 ± 11980          | <b>211091 ± 8775</b>           | <b>34464 ± 35935</b>          | <u>5132 ± 2608</u>           |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>762.0</b>                  | <b>8488.6</b>                  | <b>1209.5</b>                  | 529.4                  | <b>1472.6</b>                  | <b>1567.4</b>                 | <u>108.4</u>                 |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 0.791185                      | 0.819423                       | 0.782836                       | 0.780368               | 0.780094                       | <u>0.780903</u>               | 0.787062                     |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 0.392003                      | 0.405041                       | 0.390073                       | 0.388495               | 0.388176                       | <u>0.386011</u>               | 0.389085                     |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 40.899704                     | 42.457133                      | 40.542649                      | 40.426503              | 40.395892                      | <u>40.459183</u>              | 40.760369                    |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 192.096828                    | 172.316973                     | 197.503497                     | 198.768809             | 199.407274                     | <u>198.080156</u>             | 194.157149                   |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 5923.533202                   | 5961.436530                    | 5917.675018                    | 198.768809             | 5909.301443                    | <u>5907.774153</u>            | 5907.938547                  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 3300                          | 157259                         | 3300                           | 16500                  | 9899                           | <u>827</u>                    | 3270                         |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 21.4                          | 2033.5                         | 18.1                           | 50.9                   | 40.3                           | <u>3.2</u>                    | 14.3                         |

**Table 13.** Speed Reducer optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 2996.348165 [5].

|                         | GA[I]                 | SA[I]                         | PSO[I]                | CS [2]                | MCS[3]                | MEIGO[4]                     | Gnowee                |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | 3.523479 ± 0.01115    | <b>3.505564 ± 0.00781</b>     | 3.524163 ± 0.01931    | 3.515357 ± 0.00987    | 3.512536 ± 0.00950    | <u>3.500023 ± 0.00002</u>    | 3.516265 ± 0.01256    |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | 0.701443 ± 0.00096    | <b>0.700006 ± 0.00003</b>     | 0.700172 ± 0.00031    | 0.700121 ± 0.00034    | 0.700315 ± 0.00047    | <u>0.700000 ± 0.00000</u>    | 0.700154 ± 0.00029    |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | 17.014020 ± 0.01545   | <b>17.093946 ± 0.08501</b>    | 17.001355 ± 0.00383   | 17.001275 ± 0.00620   | 17.006690 ± 0.01137   | <u>17.000019 ± 0.00003</u>   | 17.006133 ± 0.01393   |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | 7.388391 ± 0.12907    | <b>7.820906 ± 0.26983</b>     | 7.739903 ± 0.35150    | 7.670151 ± 0.34593    | 7.835118 ± 0.37921    | <u>7.300106 ± 0.00030</u>    | 7.706041 ± 0.34363    |
| $x_5^{avg}$             | 7.836127 ± 0.04244    | <b>8.030792 ± 0.12827</b>     | 7.975181 ± 0.16944    | 7.982819 ± 0.15050    | 8.067321 ± 0.17831    | <u>7.800107 ± 0.00031</u>    | 7.977768 ± 0.15026    |
| $x_6^{avg}$             | 3.362148 ± 0.01162    | <b>3.358619 ± 0.01043</b>     | 3.365029 ± 0.01253    | 3.371809 ± 0.01829    | 3.367024 ± 0.01393    | <u>3.350250 ± 0.00004</u>    | 3.369766 ± 0.01646    |
| $x_7^{avg}$             | 5.293224 ± 0.00673    | <b>5.289101 ± 0.00359</b>     | 5.292234 ± 0.00513    | 5.295841 ± 0.00725    | 5.293021 ± 0.00596    | <u>5.286697 ± 0.00001</u>    | 5.294405 ± 0.00572    |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | 3023.396151 ± 2.76750 | <b>3028.255983 ± 11.74571</b> | 3021.959120 ± 4.06056 | 3021.876766 ± 4.17776 | 3022.858369 ± 2.93269 | <u>3018.674196 ± 5.01003</u> | 3021.984575 ± 3.34277 |
| $N_{avg}^{avg}$         | 3323 ± 977            | <b>38725 ± 32075</b>          | 2255 ± 1673           | 3538 ± 826            | 1439 ± 501            | <u>830 ± 247</u>             | 2113 ± 454            |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | 56.5                  | <b>1437.1</b>                 | 62.2                  | 51.3                  | 26.0                  | <u>11.7</u>                  | 29.7                  |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 3.507376              | 3.500246                      | 3.502503              | 3.501448              | 3.505454              | <u>3.500002</u>              | 3.513615              |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 0.700978              | 0.700000                      | 0.700002              | 0.700000              | 0.700000              | <u>0.700000</u>              | 0.700365              |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 17.010740             | 17.058220                     | 17.000000             | 17.000000             | 17.000000             | <u>17.000024</u>             | 17.022727             |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 7.318865              | 8.120390                      | 7.559614              | 7.996768              | 7.300000              | <u>7.301175</u>              | 7.333132              |
| $x_5^{best}$            | 7.854669              | 7.845934                      | 7.818193              | 7.800000              | 7.988013              | <u>7.801708</u>              | 7.831905              |
| $x_6^{best}$            | 3.369326              | 3.358398                      | 3.361828              | 3.358396              | 3.366356              | <u>3.350309</u>              | 3.361983              |
| $x_7^{best}$            | 5.291011              | 5.289320                      | 5.291013              | 5.294357              | 5.297392              | <u>5.286691</u>              | 5.290604              |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 3014.563118           | 3018.564074                   | 3005.772033           | 3010.066122           | 3013.589560           | <u>3005.867843</u>           | 3013.796361           |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 3200                  | 21205                         | 2400                  | 4525                  | 1687                  | <u>763</u>                   | 1980                  |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 19.5                  | 157.2                         | 7.5                   | 20.7                  | 9.7                   | <u>2.4</u>                   | 11.5                  |

**Table 14.** Spring optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 0.012665 [5].

|                         | GA[1]                                | SA[1]                   | PSO[1]                                | CS [2]                  | MCS[3]                               | MEIGO[4]               | Gnowee                         |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>0.060063</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00558</b> | 0.050810 $\pm$ 0.00090  | <b>0.052298</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00314</b>  | 0.051703 $\pm$ 0.00127  | <b>0.058462</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00592</b> | 0.052817 $\pm$ 0.00133 | <u>0.051620</u> $\pm$ 0.00119  |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>0.610416</b> $\pm$ <b>0.18392</b> | 0.335680 $\pm$ 0.02133  | <b>0.375903</b> $\pm$ <b>0.08398</b>  | 0.357026 $\pm$ 0.03064  | <b>0.560899</b> $\pm$ <b>0.18946</b> | 0.385194 $\pm$ 0.03386 | <u>0.355059</u> $\pm$ 0.02874  |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>5.461663</b> $\pm$ <b>3.19803</b> | 12.840958 $\pm$ 1.32526 | <b>11.363353</b> $\pm$ <b>3.39514</b> | 11.560822 $\pm$ 1.83294 | <b>6.573904</b> $\pm$ <b>3.75091</b> | 9.997362 $\pm$ 1.53760 | <u>11.648626</u> $\pm$ 1.72111 |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>0.014398</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00161</b> | 0.012778 $\pm$ 0.00002  | <b>0.012890</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00030</b>  | 0.012771 $\pm$ 0.00004  | <b>0.014068</b> $\pm$ <b>0.00156</b> | 0.012785 $\pm$ 0.00006 | <u>0.012763</u> $\pm$ 0.00002  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>16947</b> $\pm$ <b>6379</b>       | 5820 $\pm$ 5085         | <b>7959</b> $\pm$ <b>10523</b>        | 16948 $\pm$ 7174        | <b>19013</b> $\pm$ <b>13684</b>      | 10279 $\pm$ 9835       | <u>4738</u> $\pm$ 1836         |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>4938</b>                          | 188.3                   | <b>702.9</b>                          | 323.2                   | <b>6654</b>                          | 376.7                  | <u>79.0</u>                    |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 0.051341                             | 0.050318                | 0.052021                              | 0.051230                | 0.051768                             | <u>0.052121</u>        | 0.051092                       |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 0.348240                             | 0.324492                | 0.364483                              | 0.345779                | 0.358488                             | <u>0.367169</u>        | 0.342205                       |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 11.878832                            | 13.476806               | 10.886333                             | 11.987921               | 11.224128                            | <u>10.703094</u>       | 12.210091                      |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 0.012740                             | 0.012715                | 0.012711                              | 0.012694                | 0.012705                             | <u>0.012691</u>        | 0.012694                       |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 7900                                 | 835                     | 27900                                 | 5225                    | 4328                                 | <u>1090</u>            | 3813                           |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 47                                   | 3.3                     | 100.3                                 | 12.1                    | 13.5                                 | <u>2.2</u>             | 8.7                            |



**Table 15.** Summary of FOM results for continuous constrained optimization benchmarks. Bold values indicate average fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined values indicate the best average performance.

|          | <b>Welded<br/>Beam [5]</b> | <b>Pressure<br/>Vessel [5]</b> | <b>Speed<br/>Reducer [5]</b> | <b>Spring [5]</b> |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| GA[1]    | <b>106667.6</b>            | <b>762.0</b>                   | 56.5                         | <b>4938</b>       |
| SA[1]    | <b>5125.8</b>              | <b>8488.6</b>                  | <b>1437.1</b>                | 188.3             |
| PSO[1]   | 329.4                      | <b>1209.5</b>                  | 62.2                         | <b>702.9</b>      |
| CS[2]    | 442.6                      | 529.4                          | 51.3                         | 323.2             |
| MCS[3]   | <b>2933.8</b>              | <b>1472.6</b>                  | 26.0                         | <b>6654</b>       |
| MEIGO[4] | <u>35.0</u>                | <b>1567.4</b>                  | <u>11.7</u>                  | 355.3             |
| Gnowee   | 80.6                       | <u>108.4</u>                   | 29.7                         | <u>79.0</u>       |

**Table 16.** Summary of function evaluation results for continuous constrained optimization benchmarks. Bold values indicate average fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined values indicate the best average performance.

|          | <b>Welded<br/>Beam [5]</b> | <b>Pressure<br/>Vessel [5]</b> | <b>Speed<br/>Reducer [5]</b> | <b>Spring [5]</b>    |
|----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| GA[1]    | <b>21786 ± 32462</b>       | <b>12900 ± 4412</b>            | 3323 ± 977                   | <b>16947 ± 6379</b>  |
| SA[1]    | <b>18648 ± 7571</b>        | <b>38069 ± 25758</b>           | <b>38725 ± 32075</b>         | 5820 ± 5085          |
| PSO[1]   | 7895 ± 9676                | <b>14420 ± 7912</b>            | 2255 ± 1673                  | <b>7959 ± 10523</b>  |
| CS[2]    | 29307 ± 6633               | 24348 ± 11980                  | 3538 ± 826                   | 16948 ± 7174         |
| MCS[3]   | <b>35775 ± 21311</b>       | <b>211091 ± 8775</b>           | 1439 ± 501                   | <b>19013 ± 13684</b> |
| MEIGO[4] | <u>1803 ± 844</u>          | <b>34464 ± 35935</b>           | <u>830 ± 247</u>             | 11424 ± 10230        |
| Gnowee   | 5910 ± 1311                | <u>5132 ± 2608</u>             | 2113 ± 454                   | <u>4738 ± 1836</u>   |

## Mixed-Integer Design Benchmarks

Functions considered:

1. Mixed-Integer Pressure Vessel [5]
2. Mixed-Integer Spring [6]
3. Mixed-Integer Chemical Process [7]

**Table 17.** Control settings for the mixed-integer optimization algorithms.

| Algorithm | $F_{max}$ | $F_{stall}$ | $P$ |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----|
| GA[1]     | 200,000   | 10,000      | 50  |
| MEIGO[4]  | 200,000   | 10,000      | 50  |
| Gnowee    | 200,000   | 10,000      | 25  |

**Table 18.** Mixed-integer pressure vessel optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 6059.714335 [5].

|                         | GA[1]                          | MEIGO[4]                      | Gnowee                        |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>45.405737 ± 2.07552</b>     | <b>43.917185 ± 2.02390</b>    | <u>42.307067 ± 1.08568</u>    |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>140.963636 ± 21.46900</b>   | <b>156.687582 ± 21.86685</b>  | <u>175.252438 ± 12.48958</u>  |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>0.88063 ± 0.03982</b>       | <b>0.848750 ± 0.03890</b>     | <u>0.820000 ± 0.02041</u>     |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | <b>0.451250 ± 0.02602</b>      | <b>0.442500 ± 0.01704</b>     | <u>0.437500 ± 0.00000</u>     |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>6177.813265 ± 118.36124</b> | <b>6130.653499 ± 73.23186</b> | <u>6103.390699 ± 13.10013</u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>14131 ± 10646</b>           | <b>4896 ± 8570</b>            | <u>3385 ± 739</u>             |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>897.9</b>                   | <b>358.3</b>                  | <u>40.4</u>                   |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 41.817039                      | <u>42.054521</u>              | 42.028546                     |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 180.299557                     | <u>177.184811</u>             | 177.507680                    |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 0.812500                       | <u>0.812500</u>               | 0.812500                      |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 0.437500                       | <u>0.437500</u>               | 0.437500                      |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 6097.653041                    | <u>6070.873710</u>            | 6068.342344                   |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 3401                           | <u>1473</u>                   | 3875                          |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 21.3                           | <u>2.7</u>                    | 5.5                           |

**Table 19.** Mixed-integer spring optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 2.65872 [6].

|                         | GA[1]                                    | MEIGO[4]               | Gnowee                                   |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b>1.879815 <math>\pm</math> 0.35586</b> | 1.445495 $\pm$ 0.21823 | <u>1.365593 <math>\pm</math> 0.20183</u> |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b>4.370000 <math>\pm</math> 1.58691</b> | 6.960000 $\pm$ 2.00967 | <u>7.720000 <math>\pm</math> 1.87530</u> |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b>0.317080 <math>\pm</math> 0.01642</b> | 0.295240 $\pm$ 0.01206 | <u>0.290680 <math>\pm</math> 0.01125</u> |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>2.844345 <math>\pm</math> 0.22113</b> | 2.683470 $\pm$ 0.01694 | <u>2.678752 <math>\pm</math> 0.01505</u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>13330 <math>\pm</math> 3656</b>       | 13504 $\pm$ 7319       | <u>7821 <math>\pm</math> 7015</u>        |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>1697.9</b>                            | 330.1                  | <u>219.2</u>                             |
| $x_1^{best}$            | <u>1.226427</u>                          | <u>1.223043</u>        | <u>1.223160</u>                          |
| $x_2^{best}$            | <u>9.000000</u>                          | <u>9.000000</u>        | <u>9.000000</u>                          |
| $x_3^{best}$            | <u>0.283000</u>                          | <u>0.283000</u>        | <u>0.283000</u>                          |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <u>2.665920</u>                          | <u>2.658563</u>        | <u>2.658818</u>                          |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <u>101</u>                               | <u>5826</u>            | <u>1172</u>                              |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <u>0.3</u>                               | <u>0.3</u>             | <u>0.2</u>                               |

**Table 20.** Mixed-integer chemical process optimization results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 4.579582 [7].

|                         | GA[1]                                    | MEIGO[4]               | Gnowee                                   |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| $x_1^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.531959 \pm 0.35574</math></b> | $0.199985 \pm 0.00001$ | <u><math>0.191423 \pm 0.00586</math></u> |
| $x_2^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.898655 \pm 0.24141</math></b> | $0.799988 \pm 0.00001$ | <u><math>0.795269 \pm 0.00408</math></u> |
| $x_3^{avg}$             | <b><math>1.703999 \pm 0.21540</math></b> | $1.907865 \pm 0.00001$ | <u><math>1.902400 \pm 0.00430</math></u> |
| $x_4^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.350000 \pm 0.47937</math></b> | $1.000000 \pm 0.00000$ | <u><math>1.000000 \pm 0.00000</math></u> |
| $x_5^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.720000 \pm 0.45126</math></b> | $1.000000 \pm 0.00000$ | <u><math>1.000000 \pm 0.00000</math></u> |
| $x_6^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.510000 \pm 0.50242</math></b> | $0.000000 \pm 0.00000$ | <u><math>0.000000 \pm 0.00000</math></u> |
| $x_7^{avg}$             | <b><math>0.340000 \pm 0.47610</math></b> | $1.000000 \pm 0.00000$ | <u><math>1.000000 \pm 0.00000</math></u> |
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b><math>6.084888 \pm 0.88504</math></b> | $4.610416 \pm 0.01027$ | <u><math>4.616823 \pm 0.00737</math></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b><math>20088 \pm 12461</math></b>      | $3436 \pm 3566$        | <u><math>6269 \pm 1684</math></u>        |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>18890.9</b>                           | 95.2                   | 92.1                                     |
| $x_1^{best}$            | 0.190610                                 | <u>0.199997</u>        | 0.199530                                 |
| $x_2^{best}$            | 0.799945                                 | <u>0.799997</u>        | 0.796747                                 |
| $x_3^{best}$            | 1.902600                                 | <u>1.907841</u>        | 1.907393                                 |
| $x_4^{best}$            | 1.000000                                 | <u>1.000000</u>        | 1.000000                                 |
| $x_5^{best}$            | 1.000000                                 | <u>1.000000</u>        | 1.000000                                 |
| $x_6^{best}$            | 0.000000                                 | <u>0.000000</u>        | 0.000000                                 |
| $x_7^{best}$            | 1.000000                                 | <u>1.000000</u>        | 1.000000                                 |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | 4.606384                                 | <u>4.584077</u>        | 4.589212                                 |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | 10651                                    | <u>5999</u>            | 7875                                     |
| $FOM_{best}$            | 62.3                                     | <u>5.9</u>             | 16.6                                     |

**Table 21.** Summary of FOM results for constrained mixed-integer optimization benchmarks. Bold values indicate average fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined values indicate the best average performance.

|          | Pressure Vessel [5] | Spring [6]    | Chemical Process [7] |
|----------|---------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| GA[1]    | <b>897.9</b>        | <b>1697.9</b> | <b>18890.1</b>       |
| MEIGO[4] | <b>358.3</b>        | 330.1         | 95.2                 |
| Gnowee   | <u>40.4</u>         | <u>219.2</u>  | <u>92.1</u>          |

**Table 22.** Summary of function evaluation results for constrained mixed-integer optimization benchmarks. Bold values indicate average fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined values indicate the best average performance.

|                 | Pressure<br>Vessel [5] | Spring [6]          | Chemical<br>Process [7] |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>GA[1]</b>    | <b>14131 ± 10646</b>   | <b>13330 ± 3656</b> | <b>20088 ± 12461</b>    |
| <b>MEIGO[4]</b> | <b>4896 ± 8570</b>     | 13504 ± 7319        | 3436 ± 3566             |
| <b>Gnowee</b>   | <u>3385 ± 739</u>      | <u>7821 ± 7015</u>  | <u>6269 ± 1684</u>      |

## Combinatorial Design Benchmarks

Functions considered:

1. Mixed-Integer Pressure Vessel [5]
2. Mixed-Integer Spring [6]
3. Mixed-Integer Chemical Process [7]

**Table 23.** Control settings for the combinatorial optimization algorithms.

| Algorithm     | $F_{max}$ | $F_{stall}$ | $P$ |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|-----|
| <b>GA[1]</b>  | 200,000   | 15,000      | 100 |
| <b>DCS[8]</b> | 200,000   | 15,000      | 100 |
| <b>Gnowee</b> | 200,000   | 15,000      | 25  |

**Table 24.** Eil51 TSP optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 426.0

|                         | GA[1]                       | DCS[8]               | Gnowee                             |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>452.470708 ± 9.11127</b> | 428.890000 ± 1.13614 | <u><b>434.640000 ± 3.97345</b></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>103415 ± 24218</b>       | 104341 ± 39398       | <u><b>9294 ± 6033</b></u>          |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>10940.4</b>              | 1509.7               | <u><b>555.6</b></u>                |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>432.941007</b>           | 427.000000           | <u>427.000000</u>                  |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>103700</b>               | 112745               | <u>3639</u>                        |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>1689.6</b>               | 264.7                | <u>8.5</u>                         |

**Table 25.** St70 TSP optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 675.0

|                         | GA[1]                        | DCS[8]                      | Gnowee                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>742.166695 ± 21.86713</b> | <b>683.910000 ± 3.36078</b> | <u><b>695.720000 ± 12.01353</b></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>157455 ± 3.042629e+04</b> | <b>174362 ± 37953</b>       | <u><b>16238 ± 9823</b></u>          |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>27452.0</b>               | <b>3804.6</b>               | <u><b>1403.1</b></u>                |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>695.738869</b>            | <u>675.000000</u>           | 676.000000                          |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>200000</b>                | <u>126881</u>               | 4740                                |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>6145.2</b>                | <u>0.0</u>                  | 7.0                                 |

**Table 26.** Pr107 TSP optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 44303.0

|                         | GA[1]                            | DCS[8]                          | Gnowee                                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>50228.032262 ± 1786.57531</b> | <b>45402.500000 ± 503.76310</b> | <u><b>46275.720000 ± 1320.43734</b></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>159692 ± 3.790020e+04</b>     | <b>198006 ± 15497</b>           | <u><b>27447 ± 16157</b></u>             |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>36563.1</b>                   | <b>6067.9</b>                   | <u><b>3380.5</b></u>                    |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>46926.395272</b>              | 44679.000000                    | <u>44566.000000</u>                     |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>200000</b>                    | 175768                          | <u>26143</u>                            |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>11842.95</b>                  | 1491.7                          | <u>155.2</u>                            |

**Table 27.** Bier127 TSP optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 118282.0

|                         | GA[1]   | DCS[8]   | Gnowee  |
|-------------------------|---|--|---|
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>144124.296501 <math>\pm</math> 4196.67351.</b> | <b>122257.960000 <math>\pm</math> 1183.97614</b> | <u><b>123335.690000 <math>\pm</math> 1867.54089</b></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>197340 <math>\pm</math> 10306</b>              | <b>228991 <math>\pm</math> 6345</b>              | <u><b>37483 <math>\pm</math> 18077</b></u>              |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>49869.9</b>                                    | <b>8337.3</b>                                    | <u><b>3918.6</b></u>                                    |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>133399.493454</b>                              | 119359.000000                                    | <u><b>119785.000000</b></u>                             |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>200000</b>                                     | 230030   | <u><b>38043</b></u>                                     |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>25561.8</b>                                    | 2094.5   | <u><b>483.4</b></u>                                     |

**Table 28.** Ch150 TSP optimization detailed results. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run. Optimum fitness = 6528.0

|                         | GA[1]  | DCS[8]                                       | Gnowee  |
|-------------------------|--|--|---|
| $f_{avg}(\vec{x})$      | <b>10128.421320 <math>\pm</math> 298.53102</b> | <b>6907.260000 <math>\pm</math> 87.74741</b> | <u><b>6807.390000 <math>\pm</math> 91.98374</b></u> |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{avg}$  | <b>199603 <math>\pm</math> 3276</b>            | <b>231786 <math>\pm</math> 5338</b>          | <u><b>48757 <math>\pm</math> 24725</b></u>          |
| $FOM_{avg}$             | <b>115495.0</b>                                | <b>14396.6</b>                               | <u><b>5261.4</b></u>                                |
| $f_{best}(\vec{x})$     | <b>6793.691618</b>                             | <b>6696.000000</b>                           | <u><b>6663.000000</b></u>                           |
| $N_{f(\vec{x})}^{best}$ | <b>200000</b>                                  | <b>232480</b>                                | <u><b>90289</b></u>                                 |
| $FOM_{best}$            | <b>8140</b>                                    | <b>5982.9</b>                                | <u><b>1867.2</b></u>                                |

**Table 29.** Summary of function evaluation results for TSP optimization benchmarks. Bold results indicate fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined results indicate the best performance for the average and the overall best run

|                | GA[1]                                | DCS[8]                               | Gnowee                                     |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Eil51</b>   | <b>103415 <math>\pm</math> 24218</b> | 104341 $\pm$ 39398                   | <u><b>9294 <math>\pm</math> 6033</b></u>   |
| <b>St70</b>    | <b>157455 <math>\pm</math> 30426</b> | 174362 $\pm$ 37953                   | <u><b>16238 <math>\pm</math> 9823</b></u>  |
| <b>Pr107</b>   | <b>159692 <math>\pm</math> 37900</b> | <b>198006 <math>\pm</math> 15497</b> | <u><b>27447 <math>\pm</math> 16157</b></u> |
| <b>Bier127</b> | <b>197340 <math>\pm</math> 10306</b> | <b>228991 <math>\pm</math> 6345</b>  | <u><b>37483 <math>\pm</math> 18077</b></u> |
| <b>Ch150</b>   | <b>199603 <math>\pm</math> 3276</b>  | <b>231786 <math>\pm</math> 5338</b>  | <u><b>48757 <math>\pm</math> 24725</b></u> |

**Table 30.** Summary of FOM results for optimization benchmarks. Bold indicates fitness greater than 1% convergence criteria. Underlined indicates the best average performance.

|                | GA[1]           | DCS[8]         | Gnowee               |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| <b>Eil51</b>   | <b>10940.4</b>  | 1509.7         | <u><b>555.6</b></u>  |
| <b>St70</b>    | <b>27452.0</b>  | 3804.6         | <u><b>1403.1</b></u> |
| <b>Pr107</b>   | <b>36563.1</b>  | <b>6067.9</b>  | <u><b>3380.5</b></u> |
| <b>Bier127</b> | <b>49869.9</b>  | <b>8337.3</b>  | <u><b>3918.6</b></u> |
| <b>Ch150</b>   | <b>115495.0</b> | <b>14396.6</b> | <u><b>5261.4</b></u> |

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