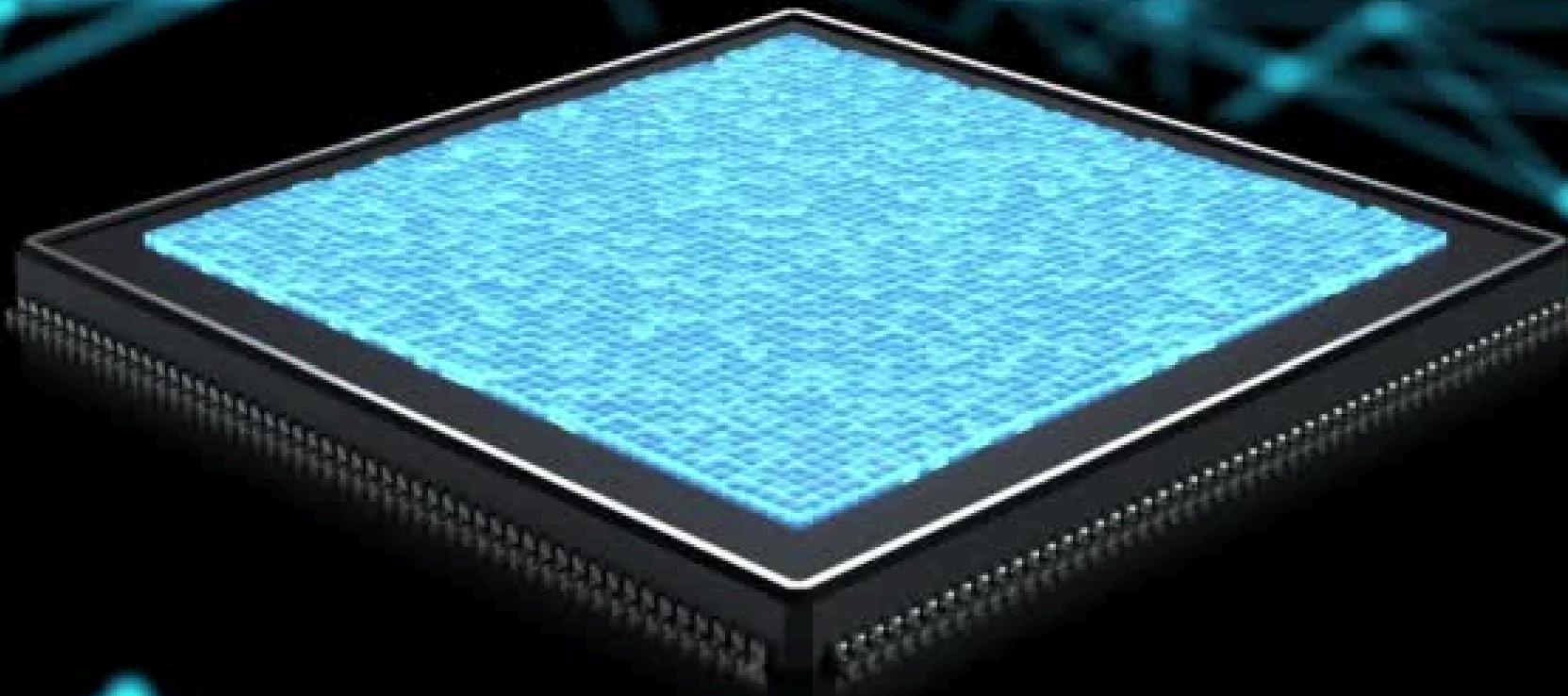


# **Computational Cognitive Science Project**



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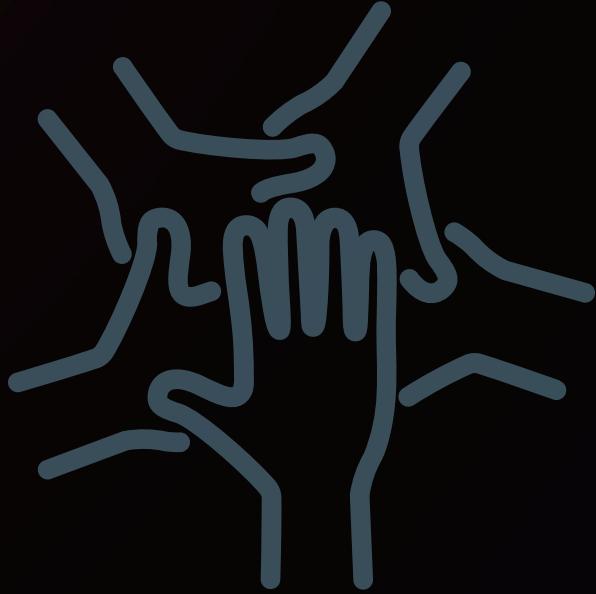
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# **Part I: Genetic Algorithm optimization for Tetris**



- O1 INTRODUCTION TO TETRIS GAME**
- O2 UNDERSTANDING GENETIC ALGORITHM TECHNIQUE**
- O3 CONTRIBUTION FACTORS**
- O4 GUI DEMONSTRATION**
- O5 BEST RESULTS & TEST**
- O6 CONCLUSIONS**

# THE TETRIS GAME OVERVIEW

INTERESTING  
FOR AI

Has a vast number  
of possible board  
states

Success depends on  
both immediate and  
future consequences  
of actions

Requires fast,  
real-time  
decision-making

TETRIS IS A CLASSIC PUZZLE VIDEO GAME WHERE PLAYERS MANIPULATE FALLING BLOCKS CALLED TETROMINOES TO FILL HORIZONTAL LINES ON A  $10 \times 20$  GRID. EACH BLOCK IS MADE OF 4 CONNECTED SQUARES, AND CAN BE ROTATED OR MOVED LEFT/RIGHT BEFORE IT LANDS.

WHEN A LINE IS FULLY FILLED, IT DISAPPEARS AND THE PLAYER SCORES POINTS. THE GAME BECOMES FASTER OVER TIME, INCREASING THE CHALLENGE. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO SURVIVE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE WHILE MAXIMIZING THE SCORE.

# Part II: Ant Colony Optimization for TSP



- O1 INTRODUCTION TO THE TSP PROBLEM
- O2 UNDERSTANDING ANT COLONY OPTIMIZATION
- O3 IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH
- O4 GUI DEMONSTRATION
- O5 ALGORITHM ANALYSIS RESULTS
- O6 CONCLUSIONS

# THE TRAVELING SALESMAN PROBLEM

DEFINITION

Finding the shortest possible route that visits each city exactly once and returns to the origin

REAL-WORLD APPLICATIONS

Logistics, planning, manufacturing, DNA sequencing

MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION

Presentations are NP-hard problem - no communication tools efficient exact algorithm that can be used as for large instances lectures.

COMPLEXITY



# Traditional Solutions to TSP



## Exact algorithms

Branch and bound,  
dynamic programming  
Guaranteed optimal  
solution but exponential  
time complexity

## Heuristic approaches

Nearest neighbor,  
greedy algorithms  
Fast but often suboptimal

## Metaheuristics

Genetic algorithms,  
simulated annealing  
Balance between  
solution quality and  
computational cost

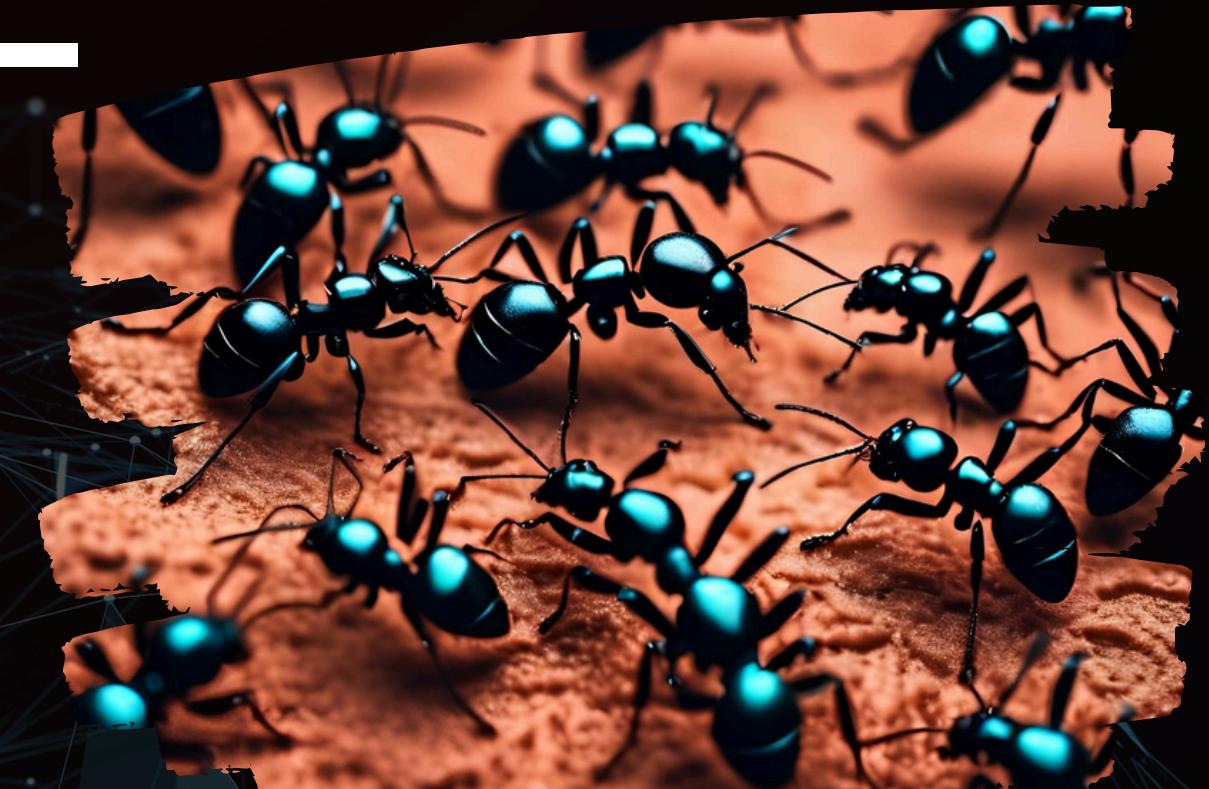
# Ant Colony Optimization – Inspiration

## ACO ADVANTAGE

Nature-inspired, good balance of quality & speed

## INSPIRATION

Ants lay pheromones to find shortest paths



# ACO Algorithm Overview

## How It Works

Virtual ants build solutions based on pheromone trails & distance

## Core Parameters

- $\alpha$ : Pheromone influence
- $\beta$ : Heuristic (greediness)
- $\rho$ : Evaporation rate
- Q: Pheromone quantity

## Probability Formula:

$$p_{ij}^k(t) = \frac{[\tau_{ij}(t)]^\alpha \cdot [\eta_{ij}]^\beta}{\sum_{l \in J_i^k} [\tau_{il}(t)]^\alpha \cdot [\eta_{il}]^\beta}$$

# Key classes

## GRAPH

Generates distances, computes path cost

## ANT

Builds path using probabilities

## COLONY

Manages ants, updates pheromones, tracks best path

# Partial vs Full Path Construction

## 1. STRATEGY COMPARISON:

- **PARTIAL PATH**

Higher exploration, potentially better quality

- **FULL PATH**

Simpler implementation, faster execution

## 2. PERFORMANCE TRADEOFFS:

- **SOLUTION QUALITY VS COMPUTATIONAL EFFICIENCY**

- **EARLY CONVERGENCE VS THOROUGH SEARCH**

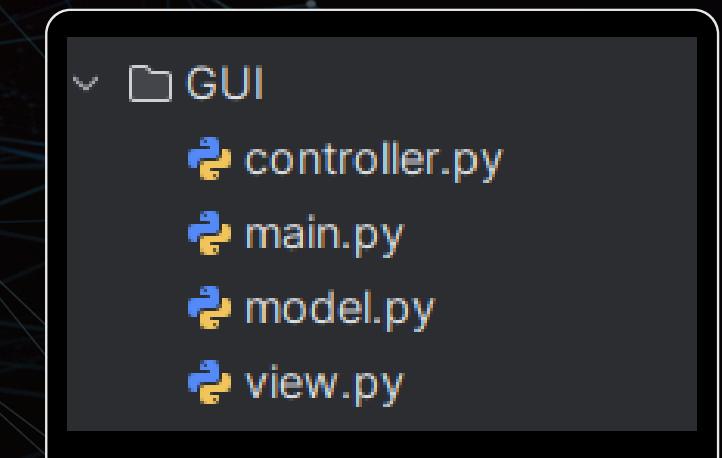
# SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

## O1 PATTERN:

Model-View-Controller (MVC)

## O2 COMPONENTS

- Model: ACO algorithm (Graph, Ant, Colony)
- View: PyQt6 GUI
- Controller: Connects logic and interface



# GUI Features

✓ **Interactive Controls:** Set  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\rho$ , ants, cities

✓ **Visualizations:**

- City map & current best path
- Real-time path updates
- Cost progression graph



# Results

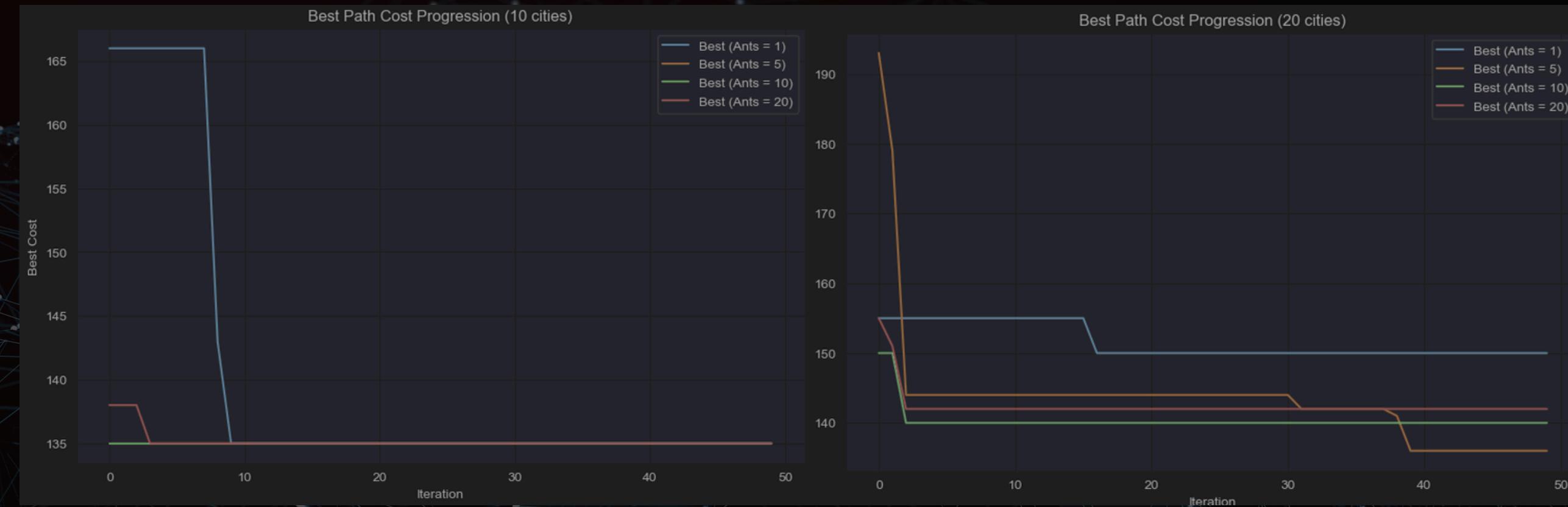
## FINDINGS

- COLONY SIZE:

LARGER COLONIES = BETTER RESULTS, BUT DIMINISHING RETURNS

- PROBLEM SIZE:

MORE CITIES = SLOWER CONVERGENCE, HIGHER VARIANCE



# CONCLUSIONS

- VISUAL INTERFACE AIDS COMPREHENSION
- ACO PERFORMS WELL ON MEDIUM-SIZED TSP INSTANCES
- EFFECTIVE BALANCE OF PARAMETERS CRITICAL FOR PERFORMANCE



# Q&A



Repository link: [Optimization-Algorithms-Tetris-TSP](#)

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