

KGTS TASK 1 REPORT

Evolutionary Game Theory

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- **About Evolutionary Game Theory(EGT):**

Evolutionary Game Theory (EGT) is a branch of game theory that studies how strategies evolve in a population over time. The key feature of evolutionary game theory is that many behaviors involve the interaction of multiple organisms in a population, and the success of any one of these organisms depends on how its behavior interacts with that of others. So the fitness of an individual organism can't be measured in isolation; rather it has to be evaluated in the context of the full population in which it lives. This opens the door to a natural game-theoretic analogy:

an organism's genetically-determined characteristics and behaviors are like its strategy in a game, its fitness is like its payoff, and this payoff depends on the strategies (characteristics) of the organisms with which it interacts.

- **Problem Statement (Evolution of Swarm of Bees):**

Create an environment to simulate the swarm behavior of bees interacting with various pollen sources. Bees should move randomly and occasionally head toward a pollen source. Initially, all bees should follow random policies (i.e., make random decisions about which source to visit).

- **Model (Pygame Code Description):**

1. Libraries Used:

```
import pygame
import random
import math
import numpy as np
from enum import Enum
from dataclasses import dataclass
from typing import List, Tuple
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

- Pygame: Graphics rendering, game loop
- Random: Stochastic processes
- Math: trigonometric calculations
- Numpy: Efficient array operations for preferences and matrix calc.
- Enum: Type-safe enumeration for different elements
- Dataclasses: Clean data structure definition
- Matplotlib.pyplot: Statistical graph plotting and data visualization
- Typing : Type hints for better code documentation

2. Screen Dimensions and Colour Coding (RGB Model):

```
# Constants
SCREEN_WIDTH = 1200
SCREEN_HEIGHT = 800
FPS = 60

# Colors
WHITE = (255, 255, 255)
BLACK = (0, 0, 0)
YELLOW = (255, 255, 0)
RED = (255, 0, 0)
GREEN = (0, 255, 0)
BLUE = (0, 0, 255)
PURPLE = (128, 0, 128)
ORANGE = (255, 165, 0)
```

Computers represent colors using the RGB (Red, Green, Blue) model. In this model, any color can be created by mixing different amounts of red, green, and blue light. The numbers in the brackets represent the intensity of the corresponding RGB colour while mixing(255 is maximum intensity).

3. Classes:

- Pollen Type (Quality of pollen source):

```
class PollenType(Enum):
    HIGH_QUALITY = 0
    MEDIUM_QUALITY = 1
    LOW_QUALITY = 2
```

High,low,medium are the members of enum , and 0,1,2 are their corresponding values.

- Pollen Source:

```
@dataclass
class PollenSource:
    x: float
    y: float
    pollen_type: PollenType
    reward: float
    color: Tuple[int, int, int]
    radius: int = 15

    def get_reward(self):
        return self.reward
```

(x,y) is the position of the pollen source . pollen_type is the quality of the pollen source . reward is the payoff for each bee visiting the pollen source . radius is the radius of the circle that represents the pollen source.

- Bee:

```
class Bee:
    def __init__(self, x, y, bee_id):
        self.x = x
        self.y = y
        self.bee_id = bee_id
        self.target = None
        self.speed = 2 + random.uniform(-0.5, 0.5)
        self.fitness = 0.0
        self.lifetime_reward = 0.0

        # Preference weights for different pollen sources (sum to 1)
        self.preferences = np.random.dirichlet([1, 1, 1]) # Random initial preferences

        # Movement
        self.angle = random.uniform(0, 2 * math.pi)
        self.last_decision_time = 0
        self.decision_interval = random.randint(60, 180) # Frames between decisions

    def update_preferences_replicator_dynamics(self, payoff_matrix, population_preferences, dt=0.01):
        """Update preferences using replicator dynamics"""
        avg_payoffs = np.dot(payoff_matrix, population_preferences)
        avg_fitness = np.dot(self.preferences, avg_payoffs)

        for i in range(len(self.preferences)):
            self.preferences[i] += dt * self.preferences[i] * (avg_payoffs[i] - avg_fitness)

        # Normalize to ensure preferences sum to 1
        self.preferences = np.maximum(self.preferences, 0.001) # Prevent negative values
        self.preferences /= np.sum(self.preferences)

    def mutate(self, mutation_rate=0.1):
        """Apply mutation to preferences"""
        if random.random() < mutation_rate:
            # Add small random noise to preferences
            noise = np.random.normal(0, 0.1, len(self.preferences))
            self.preferences += noise
            self.preferences = np.maximum(self.preferences, 0.001)
            self.preferences /= np.sum(self.preferences)

    def choose_pollen_source(self, pollen_sources):
        """Choose pollen source based on preferences and distance"""
        if not pollen_sources:
            return None

        best_source = None
        best_score = -float('inf')
```

```

for source in pollen_sources:
    # Distance factor (closer is better)
    distance = math.sqrt((self.x - source.x)**2 + (self.y - source.y)**2)
    distance_score = 1.0 / (1.0 + distance / 100.0)

    # Preference factor
    preference_score = self.preferences[source.pollen_type.value]

    # Combined score
    total_score = preference_score * distance_score

    if total_score > best_score:
        best_score = total_score
        best_source = source

return best_source

def move_towards_target(self, target):
    """Move towards the target pollen source"""
    if target:
        dx = target.x - self.x
        dy = target.y - self.y
        distance = math.sqrt(dx**2 + dy**2)

        if distance > 5: # Not at target yet
            self.x += (dx / distance) * self.speed
            self.y += (dy / distance) * self.speed
            return False
        else:
            # Reached target
            reward = target.get_reward()
            self.fitness += reward
            self.lifetime_reward += reward
            return True
    return False

def random_walk(self):
    """Perform random walk when no target"""
    self.angle += random.uniform(-0.3, 0.3)
    self.x += math.cos(self.angle) * self.speed
    self.y += math.sin(self.angle) * self.speed

    # Keep within bounds
    self.x = max(10, min(SCREEN_WIDTH - 10, self.x))
    self.y = max(10, min(SCREEN_HEIGHT - 10, self.y))

def update(self, pollen_sources, frame_count):
    """Update bee behavior"""
    reached_target = False

    if self.target:
        reached_target = self.move_towards_target(self.target)
        if reached_target:
            self.target = None

    # Make decisions at intervals or after reaching target
    if (frame_count - self.last_decision_time > self.decision_interval) or reached_target:
        self.target = self.choose_pollen_source(pollen_sources)
        self.last_decision_time = frame_count
        self.decision_interval = random.randint(60, 180)

    if not self.target:
        self.random_walk()

def draw(self, screen):
    """Draw the bee with optimized rendering"""
    # Simple circle for better performance
    pygame.draw.circle(screen, YELLOW, (int(self.x), int(self.y)), 2)
    # Always draw direction indicator (simplified)
    end_x = self.x + math.cos(self.angle) * 6
    end_y = self.y + math.sin(self.angle) * 6
    pygame.draw.line(screen, BLACK, (self.x, self.y), (end_x, end_y), 1)

```

`__init__` is the initialisation of the bees i.e the birth of bees . (x,y) give the starting position of the bee. bee_id is the unique identifier for tracking . target is the selected pollen source by the bees. Fitness is the reward collection in the current generation . fitness is responsible for the survival of the bees and its chances of reproduction in the next generation.preference is the probability vector of choosing the pollen source , and it sums to 1. decision_interval control how often a bee re-evaluates its strategy and chooses a new target. This prevents the bees from constantly switching targets every frame, creating more realistic behavior

Replicator Dynamics: This method implements the core of replicator dynamics. It adjusts a bee's preferences based on the success of different strategies in the entire population. In simple terms, if the population as a whole is getting high rewards from a certain type of pollen, this method will nudge the individual bee's preference slightly in that direction. This is how successful strategies spread through the population.

Update rule: $dx_i/dt = x_i * (f_i - f_{avg})$

Normalization is done to maintain sum of probabilities to 1.

Mutation:introduces random variation. There's a small chance (**mutation rate**) that a bee's preferences will be slightly, randomly altered. This is vital for evolution, as it allows for new, potentially better strategies to emerge that might not have been present in the population otherwise.

Components:

- Stochastic application: Only occurs with probability **mutation_rate**
- Gaussian noise: Small random perturbations (mean=0, std=0.1)
- Bounds checking: Prevents negative preferences
- Renormalization: Maintains probability distribution

Decision making for choosing pollen grains :

Decision Algorithm:

1. Distance calculation: Euclidean distance to each source. Closer sources are preferred .
2. Distance score: Inverse relationship (closer = better) with scaling
3. Preference score: Individual preference for that pollen type
4. Combined utility: Multiplicative combination
5. Optimization: Greedy selection of highest utility

Movement Mechanics:

If the bee has a target, this method calculates the direction to the target and moves the bee a small step in that direction, scaled by its speed. When it reaches the target, it collects the reward, updates its fitness, and sets its target back to none. When it arrives within 5 pixels of the source it is considered to have reached the target . If the bee has no target (either because it just collected pollen or hasn't decided on one yet), it performs a random walk, slightly changing its angle of movement to simulate wandering or searching behavior . Boundary constraints are used to keep the bees within screen bounds.

Main Update function:

This is the main logic controller for the bee.It first checks if the bee should be moving towards a target. Then, it decides if it's time to make a new decision (by calling `choose_pollen_source`). Finally, if the bee has no target, it calls `random_walk`. This structure ensures the bee is always doing something logical.

- Bee Swarm Simulation:

1. `__init__`: Establishing the Stage

The `__init__` function is the constructor, and it's used to initialize all aspects of the simulation when it initially starts.

Pygame Initialization: It initializes the screen, window title, and a clock to manage the frame rate.

Environment Setup: It sets up a static environment by filling `self.pollen_sources` list. It places strategically a fixed set of `PollenSource` objects of high, medium, and low quality with a precise location, reward value, and color.

Agent Population: It sets up the population of bees. It initializes a predefined number (`num_bees`) of `Bee` objects with each being positioned at a random start position.

Evolutionary Parameters: It sets up the basic rules of the evolution of the simulation:

generation: Begins the simulation at generation 0.

mutation_rate: Determines the chance that a new bee will be randomly mutated.

population_growth_rate: Determines the default rate at which the population will increase each generation.

max_population: A hard limit to keep the population from expanding without bounds, set at 5,000.

Game Theory Component: It establishes the `payoff_matrix`. This matrix is one of the central components of replicator dynamics, specifying the anticipated "payoff" for adopting a particular strategy (e.g., favor High quality) when interacting with the population mean strategy.

Data and UI: It creates empty lists (`generation_stats`, `population_preferences_history`) to collect data later for analysis purposes and loads fonts to use for displaying text on the screen.

2. Evolutionary Methods:

These techniques regulate how the population evolves and evolves from generation to generation.

`moran_process_selection()`: This method creates the Moran process, an old standard in population genetics. At each step of this process:

Selection for Reproduction: One "parent" bee is selected from the population. The likelihood of being selected is proportional to its fitness (the reward it earned in the current generation). That is, successful bees have a higher chance of reproducing.

Random Removal: A random, "victim" bee is picked for removal from the population.

Replacement: A new offspring replaces the eliminated bee that has inherited the parent's preference (with an option of mutation).

This birth-death process maintains the population constant throughout this step while facilitating successful characteristics to spread.

update_population_replicator_dynamics(): This function simulates how strategies spread. It begins by computing the population's average preference. Next, it cycles through all the bees and gently pushes their personal preferences in the direction of how well their strategy is doing relative to the population average. This is the "social learning" or "imitation" part of the evolution.

add_new_bees(): This method manages population increase. It introduces a number of new bees according to the `population_growth_rate`. The parents of the new bees are chosen according to their `lifetime_reward`, i.e., bees that have always been successful are more probable to be involved in increasing the population. It also has a protection check in order to prevent the population from ever increasing beyond the `max_population`.

evolve_population(): This is the top function for changing generations. It coordinates the other methods in the right sequence:

1. It executes the `moran_process_selection` several times to simulate selection and competition among the current population.
2. It executes `update_population_replicator_dynamics` to enable the spread of strategies.
3. It executes `add_new_bees` to manage population increase.
4. Lastly, it clears the fitness of all bees ready for the beginning of the next generation and increments the generation counter.

3.Simulation Loop and Graph Statistics:

These are the mechanisms that bring about the run-time execution and interactivity of the simulation.

run(): This is the top-level loop of the entire program. It runs continuously:

Processes User Input: It checks for keyboard press (such as 'P' to plot, 'M' to switch mode, 'SPACE' to step a generation) and if the user closes the window.

Updates Agents: It loops over each bee in the self.bees list and invokes their respective update() function, making them move, select targets, and garner rewards.

Renders the Scene: It clears the screen and then paints each pollen source and each bee at its new position. It has an optimization for performance that only draws a subset of bees if the population becomes very large, which keeps the simulation from slowing down.

Draws the UI: It invokes draw_ui() to show current information on the screen. Manages the Frame Rate: self.clock.tick(FPS) keeps the simulation constant in speed.

draw_ui(): It manages all the text and information graphics shown on the screen, including the current generation, population count, a population growth progress bar, and a legend for pollen color.

collect_statistics() & plot_evolution_stats():

collect_statistics is invoked once every generation to capture a snapshot of the population's condition (average preferences, population size, etc.).

plot_evolution_stats is invoked only when the user hits 'P'. It plots all the data gathered so far and employs the matplotlib library to produce and display elaborate plots of the evolutionary trends.

4. Running the Simulation

```
: if __name__ == "__main__":
:
:     print(" BEE SWARM EVOLUTION SIMULATION ")
:
:     print()
:     print(" MAXIMUM POPULATION: 5,000 BEES")
:     print()
:     print(" CONTROLS:")
:     print("   SPACE → Advance Generation (Manual Mode)")
:     print("   M → Toggle Manual/Auto Evolution")
:     print("   R → Reset Simulation")
:     print("   + → Add 50 Bees Manually")
:     print("   G → Cycle Growth Rate (10%-50%)")
:     print("   C → Max pop locked at 5,000")
:     print("   P → Plot Statistics")
:     print("   ESC → Quit")
:     print()
:     print(" GROWTH PROJECTION (30% rate):")
:     print("   Gen 0: 50 bees")
:     print("   Gen 5: 186 bees")
:     print("   Gen 10: 693 bees")
:     print("   Gen 15: 2,581 bees")
:     print("   Gen 18: 5,000 bees (MAX)")
:     print()
:     print(" Population is HARD CODED to maximum 5,000")
:     print("==" * 60)
:
:     # Create and run simulation with 5000 max
:     sim = BeeSwarmSimulation(num_bees=50)
:     sim.run()
```


1. if `__name__` == "`__main__`": - The "Start Button"

This line is an essential and important Python idiom. Here's what it does in simple words: "Only execute the code within this block when this file is directly run by the user."

`__name__`: Special, built-in Python variable.

When you execute `python your_script_name.py`: Python automatically sets `__name__` to the special value "`__main__`".

When you import `your_script_name` in another script: Python assigns `__name__` as "`your_script_name`".

The above if statement is a safety check. It prevents the code to begin the simulation from executing automatically if you import this file into another project to leverage its classes (such as Bee or PollenSource). It ensures that this is the intended entry point.

2. The Body of the Block: User Interface and Simulation Launch

The code within the if block can be divided into three parts:

A. The Welcome Screen & Instructions (`print()` statements):

This whole part is focused on generating a user-friendly "welcome message" in the terminal.

Title: It prints out a sharp, stylized title for the simulation.

Key Parameters: It directly notifies the user of the most significant rule: the maximum population is hard-coded to 5,000.

Controls: This is an interactive manual. It describes all the keyboard controls (MACROS to use, like SPACE, M, R, etc.) and does exactly what each control does. This is crucial for making the interactive simulation accessible.

Growth Projection: This is a very useful feature that provides the user with a tangible prediction of what to expect. By displaying the population at various generations with a 30% growth factor, it informs the user about the simulation's dynamics prior to actual execution.

B. Creating the Simulation Instance:

`python`

```
sim = BeeSwarmSimulation(num_bees=50)
```

This is actually the line that initializes the simulation world. It:

Calls the `__init__` method of the `BeeSwarmSimulation` class.

Passes `num_bees=50` as an argument, instructing the simulation to begin with 50 bees.

The `__init__` method is then executed, initializing the screen, inserting the pollen sources, instantiating the 50 initial bees, and setting up all the other simulation variables.

The newly initialized simulation object is assigned to the variable `sim`.

C. Running the Simulation:

```
python
```

```
sim.run()
```

This last line is what begins the game. It invokes the `run()` method on the `sim` object you've created. This initiates the main while loop within the `run()` method, which will keep running:

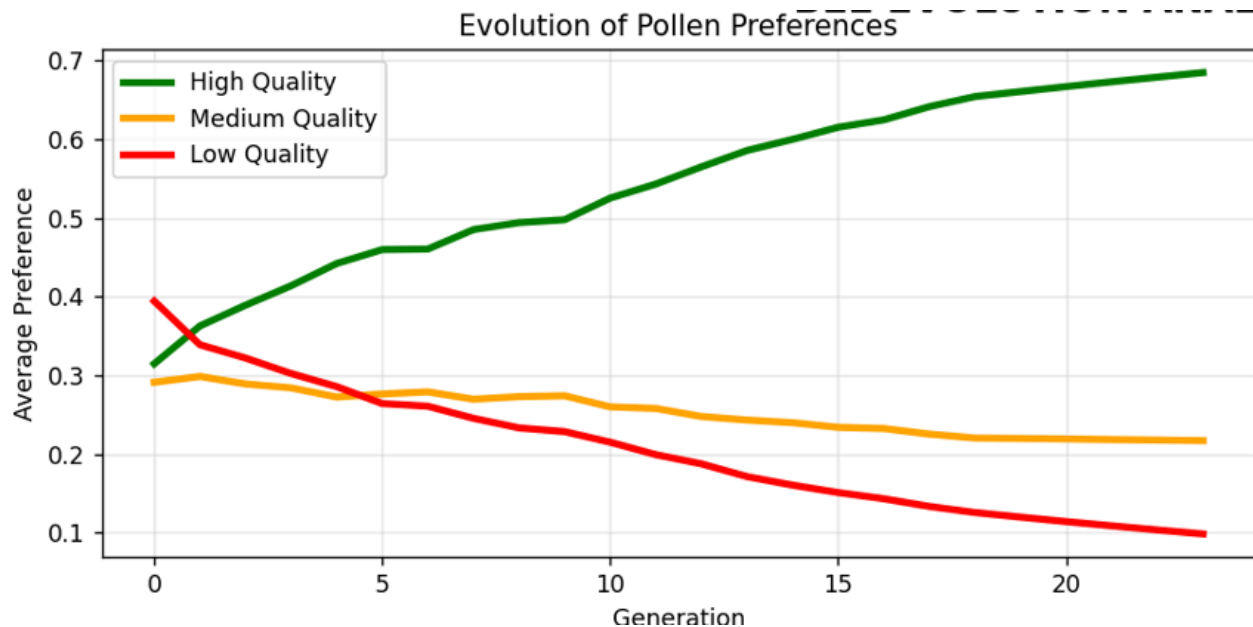
- Listening for input from the user.
- Updating each of the bees' states.
- Drawing all the graphics on the screen.
- Managing the frame rate.

This loop will keep running, effectively turning over control of the program to the simulation, until the user exits by closing the window or hitting the 'ESC' key.

Essentially, this `if __name__ == "__main__":` block is the "start-up procedure" for your program. It prints out the mission briefing, builds the vehicle (`BeeSwarmSimulation`), and then runs it (`run()`).

● **Graphical and Statistical Analysis:**

1. Evolution of Pollen Preferences :



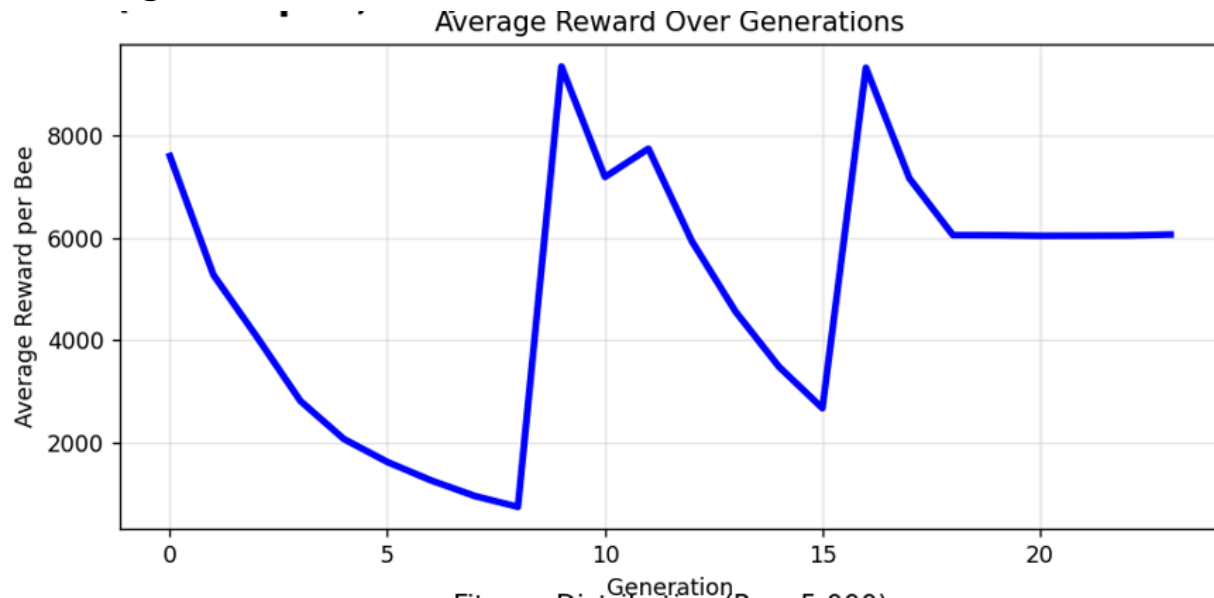
This is the main evidence that evolution is acting as designed.

Successful Strategy Emerges: The green line, which indicates the average preference for High Quality pollen, has a definite and consistent upward trend. It begins at approximately 0.33 (as would be expected from random initialization) and climbs to more than 0.7. This suggests that, generations after generation, the population has concluded that searching for high-reward pollen is the most successful strategy.

Unsuccessful Strategies are Eliminated: On the other hand, the red line (Low Quality) and the orange line (Medium Quality) both decline. The bees are actually evolving to steer clear of these poorer-quality pollen sources. The preference for low-quality pollen, in fact, declines by quite a bit, from a level higher than 0.3 to approximately 0.1.

Interpretation: The population is successfully coping with its environment. The selection pressures (reward-based fitness) are successfully eliminating unsuccessful strategies and favoring the successful ones. The simulation is accurately simulating natural selection.

2. Average Reward Over Generations



This plot is more complicated and shows some interesting secondary dynamics.

Early Decline: The mean reward per bee remains high initially and then decreases drastically in the initial 7-8 generations. This is most probably because of the first population explosion. As the bee population grows, the competition for the scarce high-quality pollen sources increases, reducing the average reward per bee.

Cyclical Spikes and Troughs: The graph features a cyclical curve (peaking at generations 9, 16, and 20). The spikes may be due to multiple factors combining:

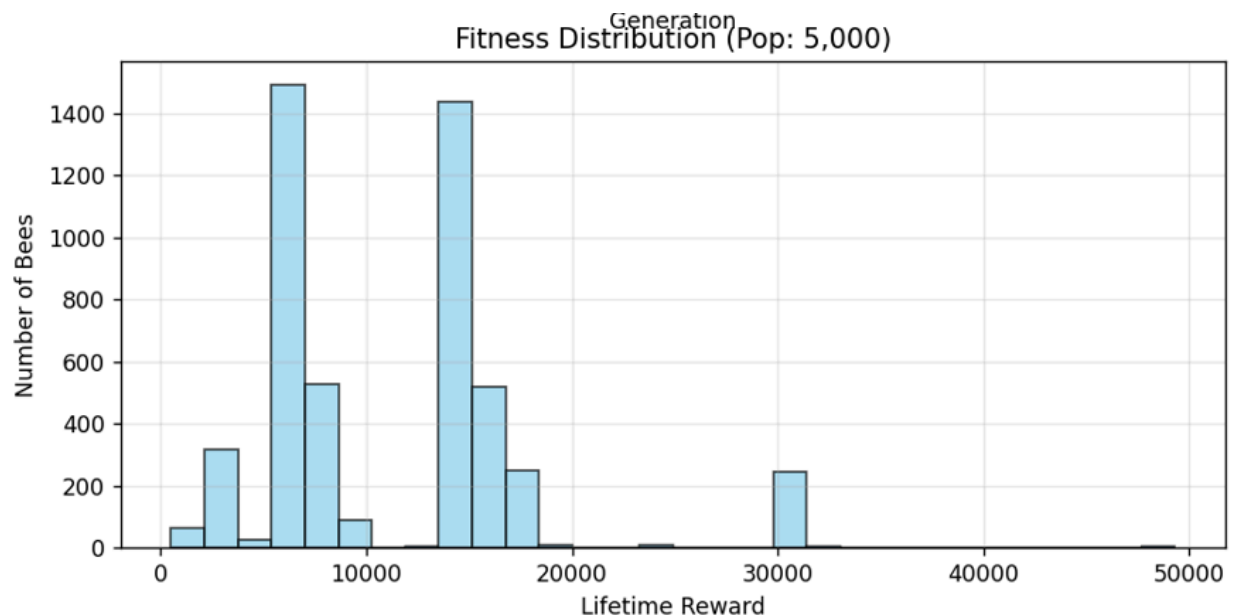
New Offspring: A sudden influx of inexperienced new bees (through population growth) might decrease the average reward temporarily since they have not yet had time to build up fitness.

Stochastic Events: Randomness in which bee is selected for reproduction or replacement may produce short-term changes in the overall efficiency of the population.

Stabilization: From generation 18 onwards, when the population is saturated, the average reward remains stable at a high value (approximately 6,000). This suggests that after the population size becomes fixed, the highly evolved bees are able to maintain a high level of performance consistently.

Interpretation: This graph indicates that there is a compromise between population and individual success. The population as a whole may be doing well, but the extreme competition in a large population can have an effect on the average success of an individual bee.

3. Fitness Distribution



This histogram is a snapshot of the population's fitness at the conclusion of the simulation (approximately generation 25).

Clear Specialization: Nearly all of the 5,000 bees fall into a small band of fitness with lifetime rewards between approximately 5,000 and 15,000. This is clear evidence for convergent evolution. The vast majority of the population has converged on a comparable highly effective foraging strategy.

Elite Foragers: There is a small, distinct subgroup of bees (about 250 of them) with a highly elevated lifetime reward (about 30,000). These are probably the offspring of an exceptionally successful line or bees that, by chance, regularly discovered high-reward sources in the absence of much competition.

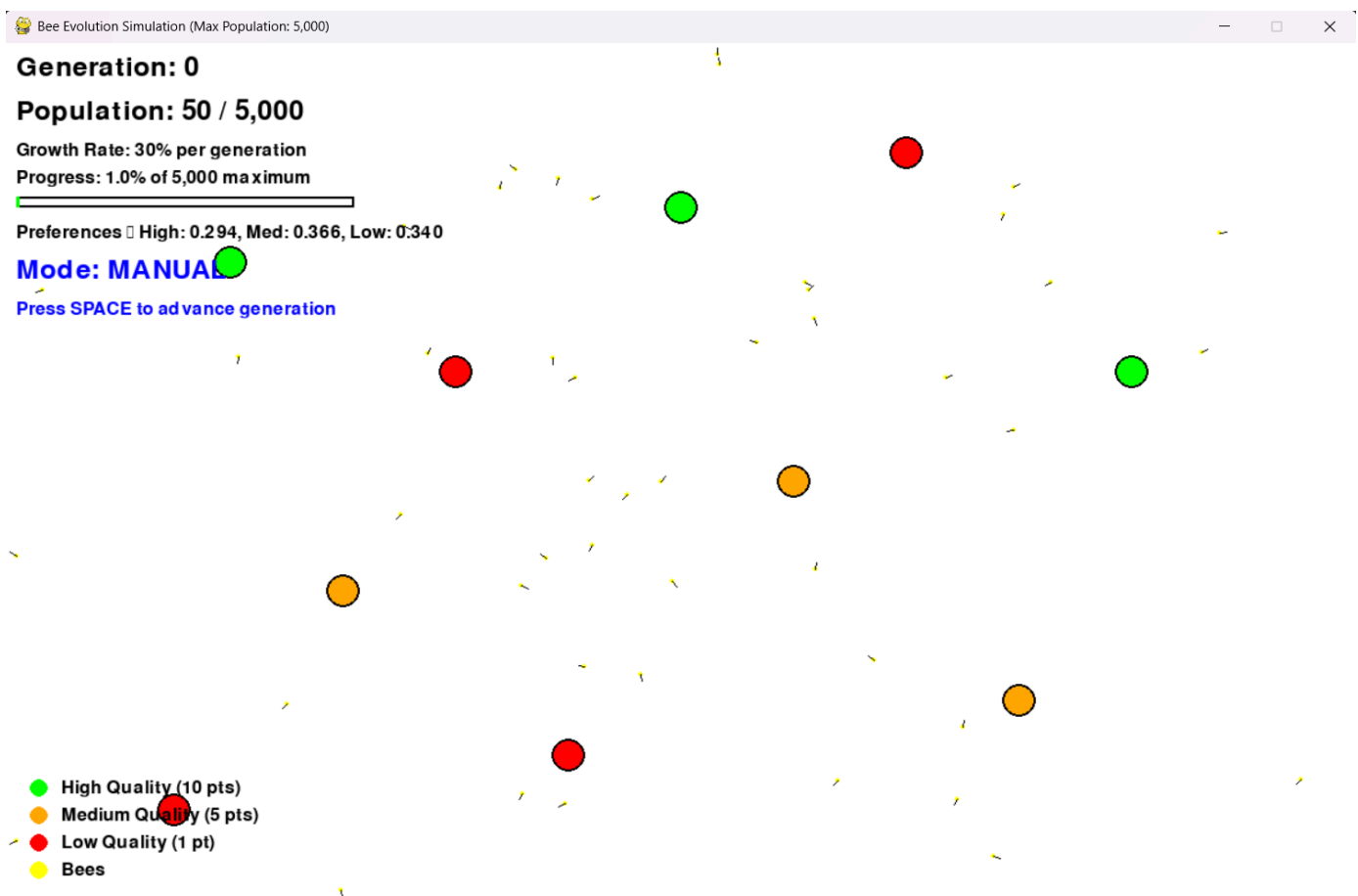
Very Few Bees That Fail: There are practically no bees with a lifetime payoff close to zero. The evolutionary process has been highly efficient at weeding out those with inferior strategies.

Interpretation: Not only is the population successful on average, but it's relatively homogeneous in being so. The high peak in the histogram means that a dominant, highly efficient strategy has swept away the entire population, which is characteristic of successful adaptation.

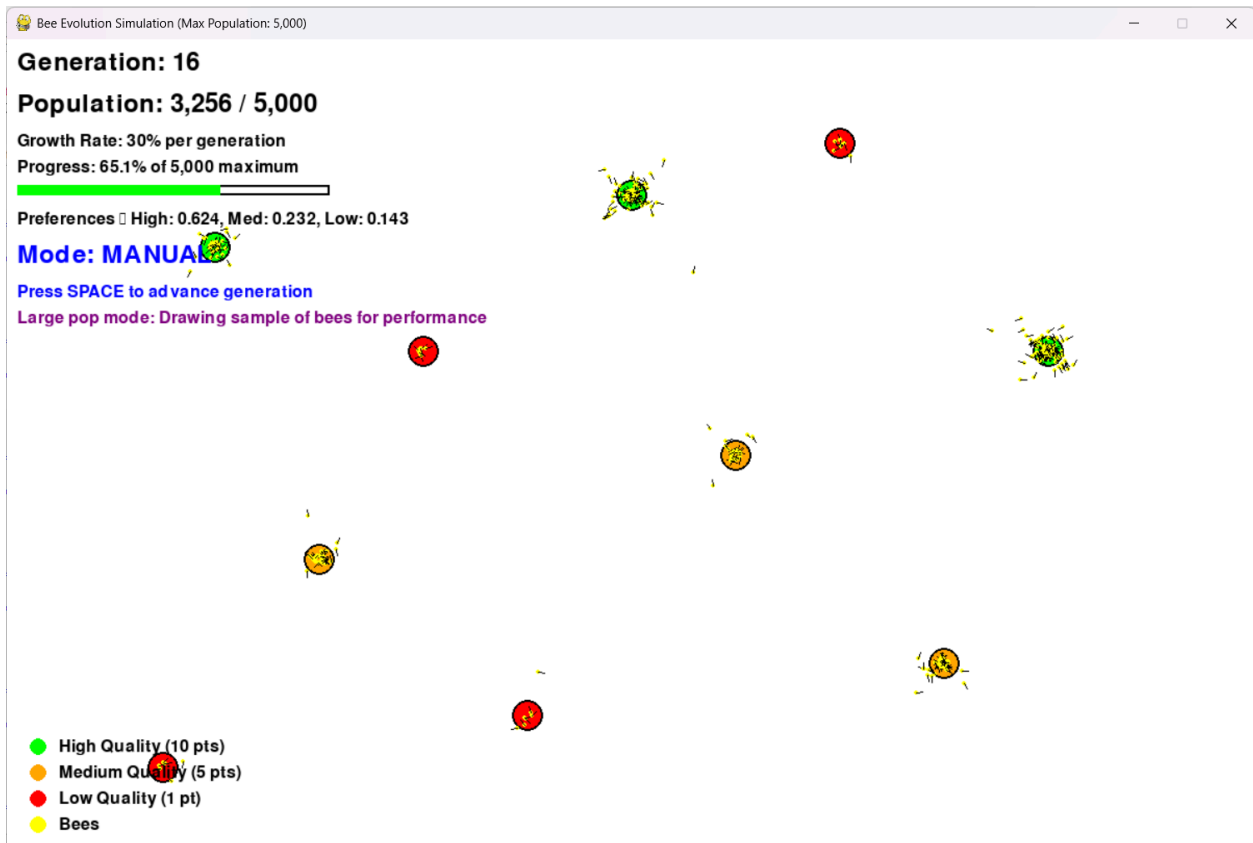
Overall Conclusion

Together, these graphs reveal a clear narrative: The population of bees began with random tactics, but by means of evolutionary selection (reward-biased reproduction) and variation (mutation), it quickly learned and employed an optimal tactic of favoring high-quality pollen. This evolutionary triumph propagated explosive population growth until the carrying capacity of the environment was reached. At this point, the population leveled off into a highly specialized and efficient culture of proficient foragers.

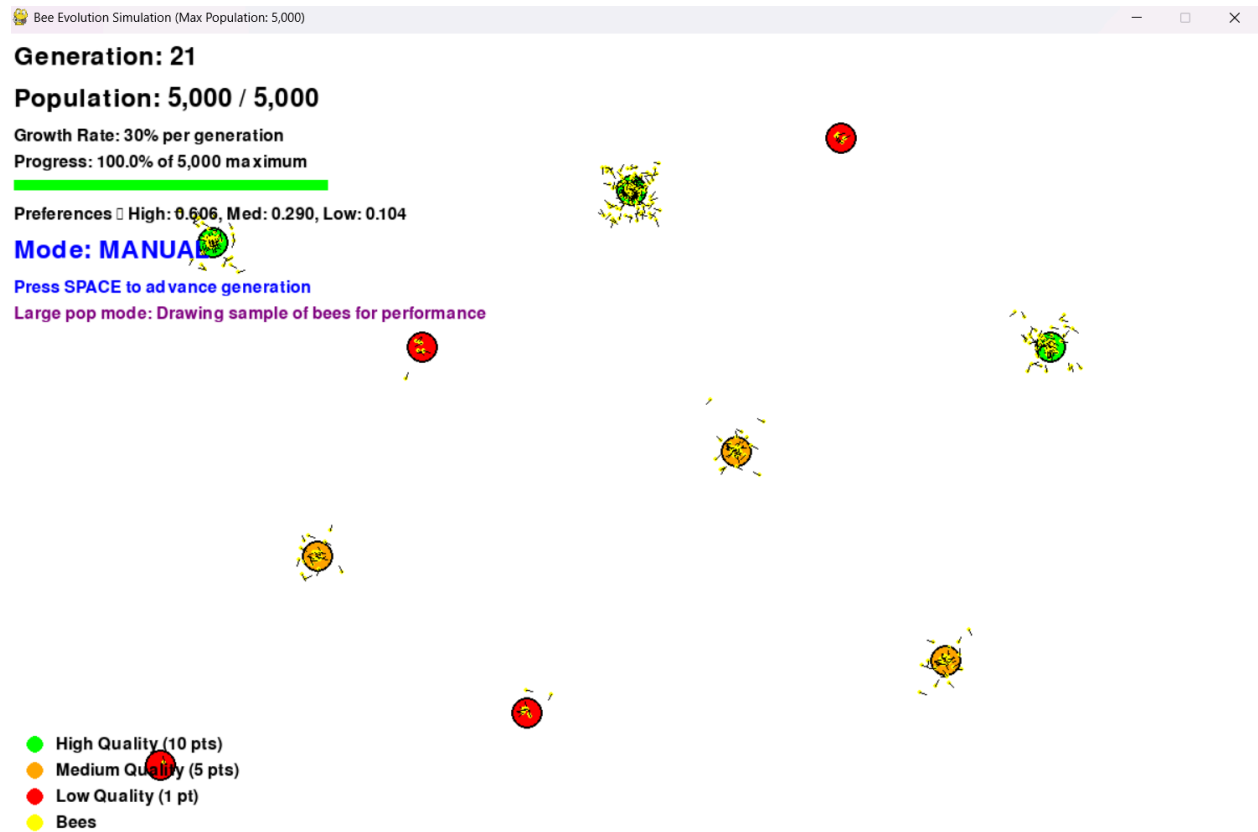
Model Simulation Images:



Initial stage(generation:0)



Simulation at generation:16



Simulation when max. Population is reached

Simulation Video Link: [simulation video](#)