# GA Python Code

Base code available for ISE/DSA 5113 Homework Assignment

## GA Python Code Explanation

- These slides walk though highlights of the base Python code provided for the GA problem.
- The base problem is the same knapsack problem that you encountered in previous assignments.

## GA-5113-students.py

```
#the intial framework for a binary GA
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#for ISE/DSA 5113
#need some python libraries
import copy
import math
from random import Random
import numby as no
#to setup a random number generator, we will specify a "seed" value
                                                                                                             Same random number
#need this for the random number generation -- do not change
seed = 51132021
                                                                                                             generation approach
myPRNG = Random(seed)
                                                                                                             as seen previously.
#to get a random number between 0 and 1, use this:
                                                          myPRNG.random()
#to get a random number between lwrBnd and upprBnd, use this: myPRNG.uniform(lwrBnd,upprBnd)
#to get a random integer between lwrBnd and upprBnd, use this: myPRNG.randint(lwrBnd,upprBnd)
#number of elements in a solution
                                                                                                             Same problem setup
n = 150
                                                                                                             as seen previously
#create an "instance" for the knapsack problem
value = []
for i in range(0,n):
   #value.append(round(myPRNG.expovariate(1/500)+1,1))
   value.append(round(myPRNG.triangular(150,2000,500),1))
weights = []
for i in range(0,n):
   weights.append(round(myPRNG.triangular(8,300,95),1))
                                                                                                             Feel free to modify the
#define max weight for the knapsack
maxWeight = 2500
                                                                                                             main code as you please
#change anything you like below this line ------
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#Student name(s):
#Date:

#monitor the number of solutions evaluated
solutionsChecked = 0

You should probably change these

populationSize = 150  #size of GA population
Generations = 100  #number of GA generations

crossOverRate = 0.8  #currently not used in the implementation; neeeds to be used.

mutationRate = 0.05  #currently not used in the implementation; neeeds to be used.

eliteSolutions = 10  #currently not used in the implementation; neeed to use some type of elitism
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- initializePopulation()
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    for j in range(Generations):
       mates=tournamentSelection(Population, 10) #<--need to replace this with roulette wheel selection,
                                               #e.g.: mates=rouletteWheel(Population)
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       #end of GA main code
       maxVal, meanVal, minVal, stdVal=summaryFitness(Population)
                                                                      #check out the population at each generation
        print("Iteration: ", j, summaryFitness(Population))
                                                                      #print to screen; turn this off for faster results
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```
population: list of chromosomes
#create initial population
                                                                             populationFitness: fitness values of
#calls the "createChromosome" for
                                                                             associated chromosomes
#adding each to a list of chromosomes (a.k.a., the "population")
def initializePopulation(): #n is size of population; d is dimensions of chromosome
    population = []
                                                                                 create chromosome and add it to
                                                                                 the list "population"
    populationFitness = []
                                                                                 Evaluate the same chromosome and
                                                                                 add its fitness to the list
    for i in range(populationSize):
                                                                                 "populationFitness"
         population.append(createChromosome(n))
                                                                                 "zip" is a Python function – here it
         populationFitness.append(evaluate(population[i]))
                                                                                 creates a single list that is
                                                                                 composed of two lists
    tempZip = zip(population, populationFitness)
    popVals = sorted(tempZip, key=lambda tempZip: tempZip[1], reverse = True)
    #the return object is a reversed sorted list of tuples:
    #the first element of the tuple is the chromosome; the second element is the fitness value
    #for example: popVals[0] is represents the best individual in the population
    #popVals[0] for a 2D problem might be ([1, 0], 483.3)
    #-- chromosome is the list [1, 0] and the fitness is 483.3
```

return popVals

This logic can be very similar to the logic you use to create a single initial solution for the hill climber problems.

```
#create an binary-valued chromosome
def createChromosome(d):
    #this code as-is expects chromosomes to be stored as a list, e.g., x = []
    #write code to generate chromosomes, most likely want this to be randomly generated
    x = [] #i recommend creating the solution as a list
    return x
```

Basic evaluation function is the same as before, except this time I did not return a list of "value" and "weight", but just the knapsack value. I created a separate function to compute the weight.

Regardless, you may want to use the weight to penalize infeasible solutions. This is up to you.

```
def evaluate(x):
                                                   I also included a 'helper function' to determine the number of items selected in a chromosome.
    a=np.array(x)
    b=np.array(value)
    totalValue = np.dot(a,b)
                                   #compute the value of the knapsack selection
    #you will VERY LIKELY need to add some penalties or sometype of modification of the totalvalue to compute the chromosome fitness
    #for instance, you may include penalties if the knapsack weight exceeds the maximum allowed weight
    fitness = totalValue
    return fitness #returns the chromosome fitness
  #function to compute the weight of chromosome x
                                                                               #function to determine how many items have been selected in a particular chromosome x
  def calcWeight(x):
                                                                               def itemsSelected(x):
      a=np.array(x)
                                                                                   a=np.array(x)
      c=np.array(weights)
                                                                                  return np.sum(a) #returns total number of items selected
      totalWeight = np.dot(a,c) #compute the weight value of the knapsack selection
      return totalWeight #returns total weight
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#function to evaluate a solution x

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#performs tournament selection;
#k chromosomes are selected (repeats allowed); best advances to the mating pool
#function returns the mating pool with size equal to the initial population
def tournamentSelection(pop,k):

    #randomly select k chromosomes; the best joins the mating pool
    matingPool = []
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while len(matingPool)<populationSize:

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ids = [myPRNG.randint(0,populationSize-1) for i in range(k)]
competingIndividuals = [pop[i][1] for i in ids]
bestID=ids[competingIndividuals.index(min(competingIndividuals))]
matingPool.append(pop[bestID][0])
```

return matingPool

- ids is a list of k randomly selected indexes selected for the "tournament"
- competingIndividuals is a list of the fitness values of the randomly selected individuals
- bestID is the index of the best individual of the tournament
- The best individual is added to the mating pool (another list);
- This is repeated until the mating pool size is the same as the population size

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    #the parents will be the first two individuals, then next two, then next two and so on
                                                      list of children
    children = []
                                                      list of associated fitness values of children
    childrenFitness = []
    for i in range(0,populationSize-1,2):
         child1,child2:crossover(matingPool[i],matingPool[i+1])
                                                                               Parent selection from mating pool
                                                                               -- first two are chosen to mate
         child1=mutate(child1)
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                                                                               -- etc.
         child2=mutate(child2)
         children.append(child1)
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#implement a crossover
def crossover(x1,x2):

    #with some probability (i.e., crossoverRate) perform breeding via crossover,
    #i.e. two parents (x1 and x2) should produce two offsrping (offspring1 and offspring2)
# --- the first part of offspring1 comes from x1, and the second part of offspring1 comes from x2
# --- the first part of offspring2 comes from x2, and the second part of offspring2 comes from x1

#if no breeding occurs, then offspring1 and offspring2 can simply be copies of x1 and x2, respectively
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return offspring1, offspring2 #two offspring are returned

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#function to mutate solutions
def mutate(x):
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#NOTICE: i did not use the mutation rate nor mutate anything... fix this!

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#insertion step
def insert(pop,kids):
   #this is not a good solution here...
   #essentially this is replacing the entire previous generation with the offspring
   #at least consider keeping the the best solution found so far?
   #maybe want to keep the top 5? 10? solutions from pop + kids? -- it's up to you.
   return kids
                                                               Computes the max, mean, min, and standard
```

deviation of the fitness values of the population

```
#perform a simple summary on the population:
#returns the best chromosome fitness, the average population fitness, and the variance of the population fitness
def summaryFitness(pop):
   a=np.array(list(zip(*pop))[1])
   return np.max(a), np.mean(a), np.min(a), np.std(a)
#the best solution should always be the first element...
def bestSolutionInPopulation(pop):
    print ("Best solution: ", pop[0][0])
   print ("Items selected: ", itemsSelected(pop[0][0]))
   print ("Value: ", pop[0][1])
    print ("Weight: ", calcWeight(pop[0][0]))
```

Prints statistics for the best solution in the population