



Bernstain-Search Differential Evolution Algorithm : BSD

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Terminology ;

"Bernstain polynomials" ([Azhari & et al , 2018](#)) == "Bernstein polynomials" ([Badea, , 2011](#))

2. Bernstain-Search Differential Evolution Algorithm : BSD

In the literature of evolutionary algorithms, a random solution is called a *pattern vector* and N *pattern vectors* form the *pattern matrix* P. Each *pattern vector* consists of D *individuals*. EAs can perform *bounded* and/or *unbounded* search. Bounded search works between the upper and lower limits of the individuals ([Civicioglu , 2013a, 2012, 2013b; Civicioglu, Besdok, & et al , 2018](#)). BSD is designed as a global minimizer algorithm that performs bounded search.

In BSD, individuals are determined using Eq 1;

$$P_{i,j} \sim \mathbf{U}(low_j, up_j) \mid i = [1 : N], j = [1 : D], i, j \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \quad (1)$$

The objective function values of the *pattern vectors* are calculated using Eq 2;

$$fitP_i = \mathcal{F}(P_i) \quad (2)$$

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The global minimizer *pattern vector*, *bestP*, which provides the best solution to the problem, and the objective function value of the global minimizer *pattern vector*, *solP*, are obtained with Eq 3;

$$[solP, bestP] = [fitP_{(\gamma)}, P_{(\gamma)}] \mid fitP_{(\gamma)} = \min(fitP) \mid \gamma \in [1 : N] \quad (3)$$

BSD controls the *crossover* ratio with M by using Eq 4-Eq 5. The initial value of M is determined by using Eq 4.

$$M_{(i=1:N, j=1:D)} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$M_{(i, u(1:\lceil \rho \cdot D \rceil))} = 1 \quad (5)$$

Here, ρ is defined using Eq 6;

$$\begin{aligned} &switch \quad \kappa_0 \\ &\quad case \ 1 \quad \rho = (1 - \beta)^2 \\ &\quad case \ 2 \quad \rho = 2 \cdot \beta \cdot (1 - \beta) \\ &\quad case \ 3 \quad \rho = \beta^2 \\ &endsw \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where $\beta \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1)$ and $\kappa_0 = \lceil 3 \cdot \kappa_1^3 \rceil$, $\kappa_1 \sim \mathbf{U}[0 \ 1]$, $\kappa_0 \in \mathbf{U}\{1 : 3\}$. In the Eq 6, the ρ value is computed by using 2nd degree Bernstein polynomials (Azhari & et al , 2018). The 2nd degree Bernstein polynomials are described in Subsection 2.2, Bernstein Polynomials.

The u vector, in Eq 5, is defined by using Eq 7;

$$u = permute(1 : D) \quad (7)$$

Here, the *permute*(\cdot) function randomly changes the order of the elements of (\cdot). The *evolutionary step size*, F , is determined by using Eq 8.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{If} & \kappa_2 \prec \kappa_3 \text{ then} \\ & F = \left(\left[\eta_{(1,1:D)}^3 \circ \left| \lambda_{(1,1:D)}^3 \right| \right]' \times Q_{(1,1:N)} \right)' \\ \text{else} & \\ & F = \lambda_{(N,1)}^3 \times Q_{(1,D)} \\ \text{end} & \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

Here, $\kappa_{2:3}$, η , and λ are random numbers that receive a new value in each call, where $\kappa_{2:3}$, $\eta \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1)$, $\lambda \sim \mathbf{N}(0, 1)$, and (\cdot, \cdot) sized *all-ones matrix* $Q_{(\cdot, \cdot)} = 1$.

BSD's trial *pattern vector* (i.e., T_i) generation process is a *random crossover* process. In the BSD, the trial *pattern vectors* are generated by using the system equation defined in Eq 9.

$$T = P + F \circ M \circ \left((w^*)^3 \circ E + (1 - (w^*)^3) \circ bestP - P \right) \mid w_{(1:N,1)}^* \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1) \quad (9)$$

where, $E = w \cdot P_{L_1} + (1 - w) \cdot P_{L_2} \mid w_{(1:N,1:D)} \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1)$ and L_1 and L_2 are defined in Eq 10.

$$L_1 = permute(1 : N), L_2 = permute(1 : N) \mid L_1 \neq [1 : N], L_1 \neq L_2 \quad (10)$$

If an individual of a trial *pattern vector* exceeds the search space, the individual is updated using the Eq 11.

$$\text{If } (T_{i,j} < low_j) \text{ or } (T_{i,j} > up_j) \text{ then } T_{i,j} = low_j + \delta \cdot (up_j - low_j) \quad (11)$$

Here, $\delta \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1)$.

The *objective function*, $\mathcal{F}(\cdot)$, values, $fitT$, of the trial *pattern vectors* are computed by using Eq 12;

$$fitT = \mathcal{F}(T) \quad (12)$$

Trial *pattern vector*, which provides a better objective function value than the corresponding *pattern vector*, is used to update the relevant *pattern vector*. It is also updated in the objective function value of the *pattern vector*. This process is achieved by using Eq 13.

$$\text{If } fitT_{(i^*)} < fitP_{(i^*)}, [P_{(i^*)}, fitP_{(i^*)}] = [T_{(i^*)}, fitT_{(i^*)}] \mid i^* \in [1 : N] \quad (13)$$

In the present iteration step, the *pattern vector* which provides the best solution, $bestP$, and its objective function value, $solP$, are obtained by using Eq 14.

$$[solP, bestP] = [fitP_{(\gamma)}, P_{(\gamma)}] \mid fitP_{(\gamma)} = \min(fitP) \quad (14)$$

The pseudo-code of BSD is given in Fig. 1.

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Input: Objective Function:  $\mathcal{F}$ , Search-Space Limits:  $(low, up)$ , Size of Pattern Matrix:  $N$ ,
Dimension of problem:  $D$ , Maximum Number of Iterations:  $MaxCycle$ 
Output:  $solP$ : Global Minimum,  $bestP$ : Global Minimizer
// Initialization
1  $P_{i,j} \sim \mathbf{U}(low_j, up_j) \mid i = [1 : N], j = [1 : D], \text{ where } i, j \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ 
2  $fitP_i = \mathcal{F}(P_i)$ 
3  $[solP, bestP] = [fitP_{(\gamma)}, P_{(\gamma)}] \mid fitP_{(\gamma)} = \min(fitP) \mid \gamma \in [1 : N]$ 
4 for Iteration=1 to  $MaxCycle$  do
    // Generation of Mutation Control Matrix ; M
    5  $M_{(i=1:N, j=1:D)} = 0$ 
    6 for  $i=1$  to  $N$  do
    7  $u = \text{permute}(1 : D)$ 
    8 Generate  $\beta$ , where  $\beta \sim \mathbf{U}(0,1)$ 
    9 Generate  $\kappa_0$ , where  $\kappa_0 = \lceil 3 \cdot \kappa_1^3 \rceil, \kappa_1 \sim \mathbf{U}[0, 1], \kappa_0 \in \mathbf{U}\{1 : 3\}$ 
    10 switch  $\kappa_0$  do
    11 case 1,  $\rho = (1 - \beta)^2$ 
    12 case 2,  $\rho = 2 \cdot \beta \cdot (1 - \beta)$ 
    13 case 3,  $\rho = \beta^2$ 
    14 endsw
    15  $M_{(i, u(1:\lceil \rho \cdot D \rceil))} = 1$ 
    16 end
    // Generation of Evolutionary Step Size; F
    17  $\kappa_{2:3}, \eta$ , and  $\lambda$  are random numbers, where  $\kappa_{2:3} \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1), \eta \sim \mathbf{U}(0, 1), \lambda \sim \mathbf{N}(0, 1)$ , and all-ones matrix  $Q_{(\cdot, \cdot)} = 1$ 
    18 if  $\kappa_2 < \kappa_3$  then
    19  $F = \left( \left[ \eta_{(1,1:D)}^3 \circ \lambda_{(1,1:D)}^3 \right] \right)' \times Q_{(1,1:N)}$ 
    20 else
    21  $F = \lambda_{(N,1)}^3 \times Q_{(1,D)}$ 
    22 end
    // Generation of Trial Pattern Vectors; T
    23  $L_1 = \text{permute}(1 : N), L_2 = \text{permute}(1 : N) \mid L_1 \neq [1 : N], L_1 \neq L_2$ 
    24  $E = w \cdot P_{L_1} + (1 - w) \cdot P_{L_2} \mid w_{(1:N,1:D)} \sim \mathbf{U}(0,1)$ 
    25  $T = P + F \circ M \circ ((w^*)^3 \circ E + (1 - (w^*)^3) \circ bestP - P) \mid w_{(1:N,1)}^* \sim \mathbf{U}(0,1)$ 
    // Boundary Control Mechanism
    26 if  $(T_{i,j} < low_j) \text{ or } (T_{i,j} > up_j)$  then  $T_{i,j} = low_j + \delta \cdot (up_j - low_j) \mid \delta \sim \mathbf{U}(0,1)$ 
    // Update
    27  $fitT = \mathcal{F}(T)$ 
    28 if  $fitT_{(i^*)} < fitP_{(i^*)}$  then  $[P_{(i^*)}, fitP_{(i^*)}] = [T_{(i^*)}, fitT_{(i^*)}] \mid i^* \in [1 : N]$ 
    // Get the solutions
    29  $[solP, bestP] = [fitP_{(\gamma)}, P_{(\gamma)}] \mid fitP_{(\gamma)} = \min(fitP)$ 
30 end

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Figure 1. Pseudo code of the Bernstein-Search Differential Evolution Algorithm (BSD). The unoptimized Matlab code of the BSD is publicly available at (Mathworks , 2019).

The similarities and differences of BSD and the tested methods are as follows:

- **BSD**'s *random crossover* process differs from the corresponding *crossover* processes of the tested methods.
- The **BSD**'s *crossover* process is a stochastic process based on the use of Bernstein polynomials and there is no parameter controlling this process.
- Since **BSD** uses the global minimizer *pattern vector* in its system equation (*i.e.*, Eq 9), it shows a partially elitist behavior whereas ABC and CUCKOO are elitist algorithms.
- The **BSD** is sensitive to the values of common control parameters (*i.e.*, N, D and number of iterations) such as tested methods (*i.e.*, ABC, JADE, CUCKOO and WDE).
- **BSD** can operate in parallel to calculate the objective function values, and **BSD** can perform *bounded* / *unbounded* search without any modification.
- **BSD** has a one-step search process, unlike ABC and CUCKOO.

2.1. Nomenclature

Symbol	Meaning / Definition
\mathcal{F}	Objective function.
low, up	Lower and upper limits of search-space.
N	Size of <i>pattern matrix</i> .
D	Dimension of problem.
$MaxCycle$	Maximum number of iterations.
$gmin$	Global minimum value.
$gbest$	The global minimizer <i>pattern vector</i> .
$\kappa_{(\cdot)} \sim U(0, 1), \kappa_{(\cdot)} \neq 0$	κ is a uniform random number.
$\lambda_{(\cdot)} \sim N(0, 1)$	λ is a normal random number.
$\eta \sim N(0, 1)$	η is a normal random number.
$\beta \sim U(0, 1)$	β is a uniform random number.
$U(\cdot)$	Continuous Uniform Distribution.
$U\{\cdot\}$	Discrete Uniform Distribution.
$P_{(i0,j0)} \mid P_{(i0,j0)} \sim \mathbf{U}(low_{(j0)}, up_{(j0)})$	Pattern vectors of pattern matrix.
$fitP_{(i0)}$	Fitness values of $P_{i0=1:N}$.
$permute()$	Permuting function.
\circ	Hadamart multiplication operator.

2.2. Bernstein Polynomials

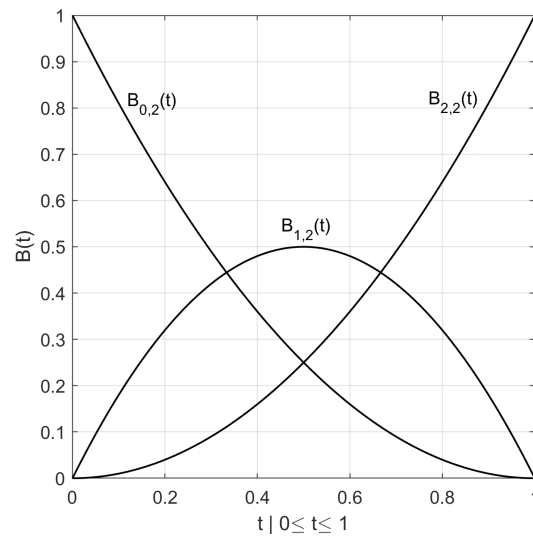
The 2^{nd} degree Bernstein polynomials (Azhari & et al , 2018) are identified using Eq.s 15-16;

$$B_{s,n}(t) = \binom{n}{s} t^s (1-t)^{n-s} \quad (15)$$

Here $s = 0 : n$, $\binom{n}{s} = \frac{n!}{s!(n-s)!}$. Eq. 16 generates $(n+1)$ sized n^{th} degree Bernstein polynomials. For $s < 0$ and $s > n$, $B_{s,n} = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} B_{0,2}(t) &= (1-t)^2 \\ B_{1,2}(t) &= 2t(1-t) \\ B_{2,2}(t) &= t^2 \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Fig. 2 illustrates 2^{nd} degree Bernstein (Azhari & et al , 2018) polynomials for $0 \leq t \leq 1$;

Figure 2. 2nd degree Bernstein polynomials.

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