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Scenario



Congratulations!

Due to your excellent grade in lecture "AI Algorithms and Applications with Python", you received a job offer at a large automobile manufacturer directly after your studies. The high salary and your gentle boss convinced you immediately to start.

You will be employed as an AI specialist and will have to support and advise various departments on issues.

You are eagerly awaiting your first job assignment!



Agenda

- 1.1 Basics and Repetition
- 1.2 Staff planning with genetic algorithms



Note

- This is a lectorial: I will explain/repeat the most important concepts and then you try to solve the programming task by your own
- You are explicitly encouraged to solve this task in groups. And I will help you and give suggestions. However, there is no perfect solution, you will get a possible solution.
- If the task is too hard for you at the moment relaxe ②. Just look at the task again at a later point in the course.



Recapitulation – Genetic Algorithms

Algorithm: Genetic Algorithm

Inputs: population, fitness_func

new_population <- empty set</pre>

Repeat

For i = 1 to SIZE(population) **do**

 $X \leftarrow RANDOM\text{-}SELECTION(population, fitness_func)$

 $Y \leftarrow RANDOM\text{-}SELECTION(population, fitness_func)$

 $Child \leftarrow REPRODUCE(x,y)$

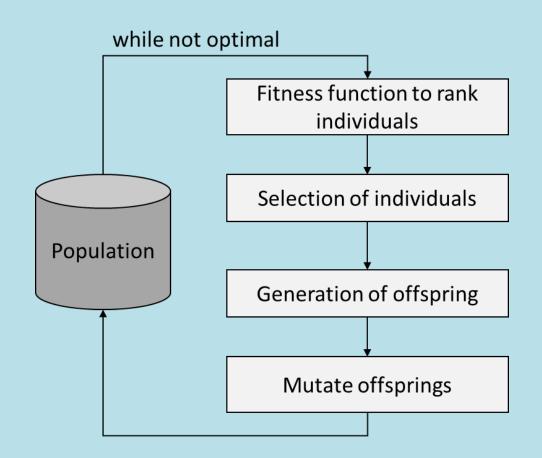
If(random prob) then child \leftarrow MUTATE(child)

Add child to new_population

Population ← new_population

Until some individuals optimal or time elapse

Return the best individuals in pop, according fitness_func



Read an Excel files into a pandas DataFrame

read excel()

pandas.read_excel(open(), sheet_name)

Parameters

open(path, "rb")	Input data as file object, supporting xls, xlsx, xlsm, xlsb, odf, ods and odt file extensions. In the file object you have to specify the modus of file acces (see lecture 3 - Reading Files).
sheet_name	Strings are used for sheet names. Integers are used in zero-indexed sheet positions. Lists of strings/integers are used to request multiple sheets. Specify None to get all sheets
header	Row (0-indexed) to use for the column labels of the parsed DataFrame

→ https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/reference/api/pandas.read_excel.html



Programming Concept: Masking

- Masking is a popular programming concept in data science
- Let us say, we want to calculate the sum of elements bigger than 10 and smaller than 99

```
nums = numpy.array([4, 100, 20, 1, 30, 900])
```

```
total = 0
for num in nums:
    if ((num>10) & (num<99)):
        total += num</pre>
```



```
mask = ((nums > 10) & (nums < 99))

nums[mask].sum()
```



Some other Practical Functions that are Good to Know

Generate random Integer



numpy.random.randint(low = 0, high = 10)

Generate random Sample

numpy.random.choice(range(0,50), size=25, replace=False)

Sum dataframes

df.sum(axis=1)



Apply mask on Pandas dataframe

df.mask(df > 0) df.mask(dif < 0, 0) # replace negative values with 0



Pandas DataFrames Indexing

```
import pandas as pd
speed = [290, 330, 345]
car = [718, 911, 918]
df = pd.DataFrame()
df["CAR"] = car
df["SPEED"] = speed
```

INDEX	CAR	SPEED
0	718	290
1	911	330
2	918	345

Nam 📤	Туре	Size	
car	list	3	[718, 911, 918]
df	DataFrame	(3, 2)	Column names: CAR, SPEED
speed	list	3	[290, 330, 345]

df["SPEED"]

df[0:2]

290
330
345

CAR	SPEED
718	290
911	330

Pandas offers many ways of multi-axis indexing. However, the most popular one is .loc-indexing. Check out the package documention for other indexing methods like iloc.

 $df.loc[1:] \leftarrow startindex stop$

INDEX	CAR	SPEED
1	911	330
2	918	345

df.loc[2]

INDEX	CAR	SPEED
2	918	345

df.loc[:, 'CAR']

CAR
718
911
918

df.loc[1:2, 'CAR':'SPEED']

CAR	SPEED
911	330
918	345



Classroom Case

Your first assignment is in the *Human Resources Department*. You will be needed there because they have difficulties to create a shift plan in the part handling factory. The problem is that whatever they do they can find an good plan. Immediately you remember the lecture and the topic *Genetic Algorithms*.

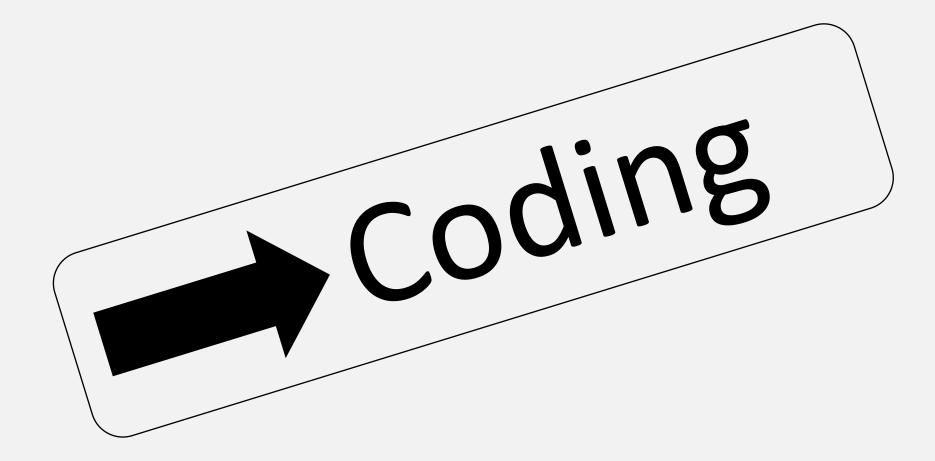
Please create a shift plan using genetic algorithms. Develop a solution in Python, so that you can help them with future planning easily.

Conditions:

- To facilitate modelling, lets say we do not work overnight (23:59 to 0:00 is closed)
- All workers have flexible start times, and can work up to the maximum hours per day of their contract
- Use the database extract db_staffplanning.xlsx, which contains further information about your staff and the needed capacities

You can find the solution of each lectorial online in the git repository if you need some starting help!

Further questions?





1 Before we start, we take a look at the data

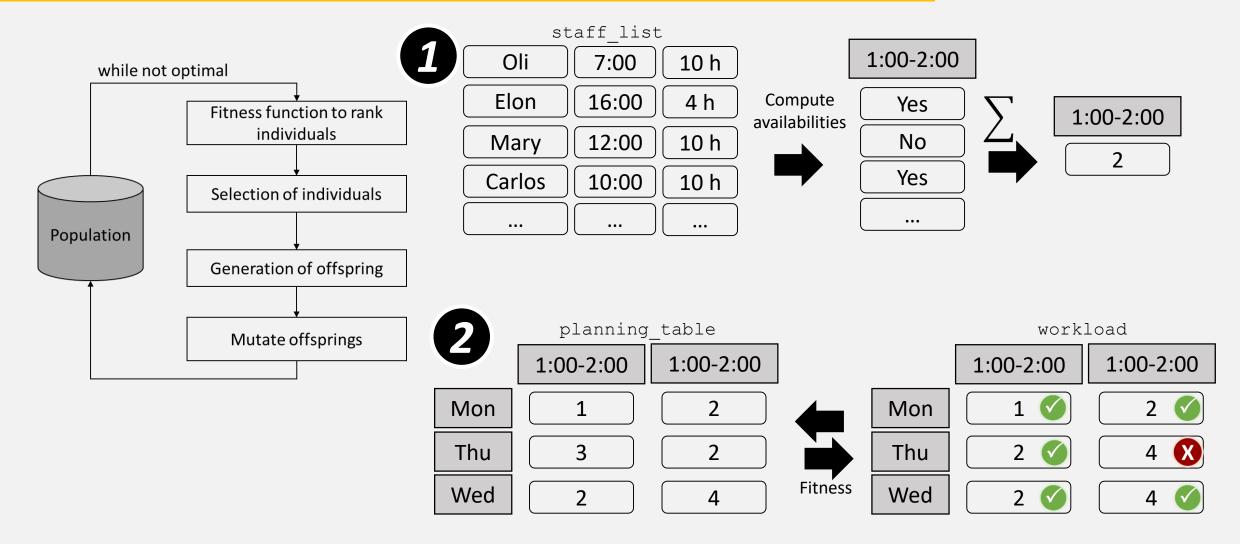
DAY	ID	START	CONTRACT
Monday	1	10	10
Monday	2	10	10
Monday	3	10	10
Monday	4	10	10
Monday	5	10	10
Monday	6	10	10
Monday	7	14	10
Monday	8	16	10
Monday	9	18	5
Monday	10	20	5
Tuesday	1	0	10
Tuesday	2	0	10
Tuesday	3	6	10
Tuesday	4	6	10
Tuesday	5	10	10
Tuesday	6	10	10
Tuesday	7	14	10
Tuesday	8	16	10
Tuesday	9	18	5
Tuesday	10	20	5
Wednesday	1	0	10
Wednesday	2	0	10

The table "staff" is a list of the different workers, their preferred starting time and how much they are allowed to work (some have only a 50% contract)

DAY	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Monday	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
Tuesday	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
Wednesday	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
Thursday	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4
Friday	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	4

The table "workload" is a timetable with the required manpower over the time e.g. on Monday at 4 o'clock one worker is needed

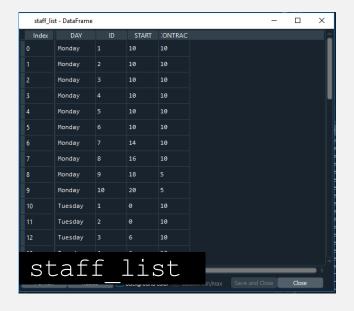
1 Then we make a Sketch of our Programming Concept

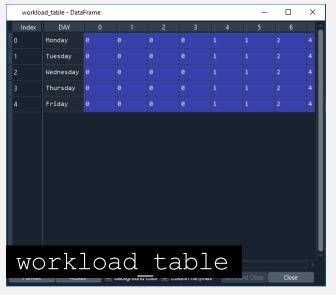


1. 1 Now we can start: Let us load the Data into our IDE

In a first step we load the existing data into our IDE for further exploration

Open the data with your IDE and take you some time and understand your data!





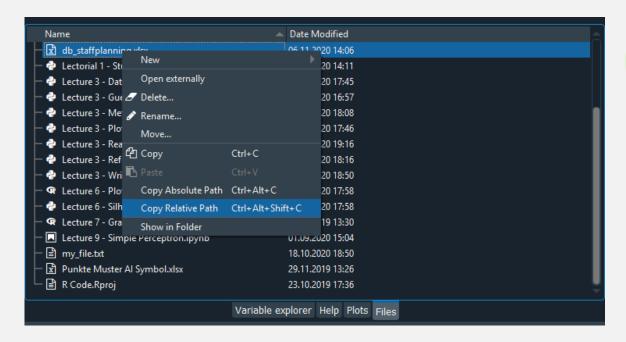


1.1 You have Difficulties to load the File?

```
Traceback (most recent call last):

File "<ipython-input-371-21a17716bbf2>", line 1, in <module>
    pandas.read_excel(open("db_staffplanning2.xlsx", "rb"), sheet_name="staff")

FileNotFoundError: [Errno 2] No such file or directory: 'db_staffplanning2.xlsx'
```



Navigate from the file pane to your file and select "Copy relative Path". Or setup an project and copy the file into the project folder!



1.2 Format staff_list

■ Then we have to aggregate staff_list to planing_table to compare with workload table

1.2 Helper Function

■ To make our code more feasible we make use of a is_worker_available function

```
def is_worker_available(staff_list, worker, day, time):
    condition = ((staff_list["ID"] == worker) & (staff_list["DAY"] == day))
    start_time = staff_list.loc[condition, "START"]
    work_time = staff_list.loc[condition, "CONTRACT"]
    end_time = start_time + work_time

    availability = ((time >= start_time) & (time < end_time)).item()
    return availability</pre>
```

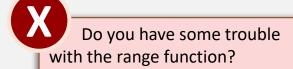
To test our coding so far, we use the following print statement

```
print(is_worker_available(staff_list, 1, "Monday", 1))
```



1.2 Common Mistake: Do not forget Python starts couting from 0

for worker in range(1, 11):



Do not forget that our worker IDs start from 1 and not from 0 (that's why we did data exploration. Furthermore Python starts counting from 0, and the last digit in range() is exclusive!

2.1 Genetic steps - Generate population of parents

 We build a function that generates multiple staff lists, otherwise you have to use the list from the db and starte there

```
def generate staff list population(num lists, staff list):
     staff list population = []
     for i in range (num lists):
         new staff list = generate staff list(staff list)
         staff list population.append(new staff list)
                                                                                     while not optimal
    return staff list population
                                                                                               Fitness function to rank
                                                                                                   individuals
                                                                                               Selection of individuals
                                                                                 Population
                                                                                               Generation of offspring
                                                                                                 Mutate offsprings
```

2.1 Genetic steps - Generate population of parents

 Then we generate new random starting times based on the conditions in the original staff_list

```
def generate_staff_list(staff_list):
    new_staff_list = staff_list.copy() # template

for day in new_staff_list["DAY"]:
    for worker in new_staff_list["ID"]:
        condition = ((new_staff_list["ID"] == worker) & (new_staff_list["DAY"] == day))
        new_staff_list.loc[(condition), "START"] = numpy.random.randint(0, 23)

return(new_staff_list)
```

2.2 Genetic steps - Combination / Crossover

And further function to combine two different start_time lists

```
def crossover(parents, num_childs):
    num_parents = len(parents)
    childs = []

for i in range(num_childs):
    mom = parents[numpy.random.randint(low = 0, high = num_parents - 1)]
    dad = parents[numpy.random.randint(low = 0, high = num_parents - 1)]
    child = mom.copy()

    selection = numpy.random.choice(range(0,50), size=25, replace=False)
    child.loc[selection] = dad.loc[selection]
    childs.append(child)

return childs
```

2.3 Genetic steps - Mutation

We implement the mutation step

```
def mutate(parents, num_mutations):
    num_parents = len(parents)

for i in range(num_parents):
    selection = numpy.random.choice(range(0,50), size=num_mutations, replace=False)
    mutations = numpy.random.randint(low = 0, high = 23, size=len(selection))
    parents[i].loc[selection, "START"] = mutations
return parents
```

2.4 Genetic steps - Compute fitness of the current planning

And two functions to rank and compute fitness

```
def fitness function(planing table, workload table):
    dif = workload table.set index("DAY").subtract(planing table.set index("DAY"),
fill value=0)
    dif = dif.mask(dif < 0, 0)
    dif sum = dif.sum(axis=1).sum(axis=0)
    max workload = workload table.set index("DAY").sum(axis=1).sum(axis=0)
    fitness = (1 - dif sum/max workload)
    return fitness
def rank staff lists(staff list population, workload table):
    results = []
    for individual in staff list population:
        planing table = format staff list(individual, workload table)
        fitness = fitness_function(planing_table, workload_table)
        results.append([fitness, individual])
    results = sorted(results, reverse=True)
    return (results)
```

2. Final Genetic Algorithm

```
def evolution(staff list, workload table, num iterations, pop size):
    population = generate staff list population(num lists = pop size, staff list = staff list)
    if (pop size < 4):
        pop size = 4
    for i in range(num iterations):
        # compute fitness
        ranked staff lists = rank staff lists(staff list population = population, workload table = workload table)
        # keep only top 2
                                                                                                while not optimal
        population = []
                                                                                                          Fitness function to rank
        for j in range(2):
                                                                                                              individuals
             population.append(ranked_staff_lists[j][1])
        # crossover & mutate
                                                                                                          Selection of individuals
        childs = crossover(parents = population, num childs = pop size-2)
                                                                                           Population
        childs = mutate(parents = childs, num mutations = 10)
                                                                                                          Generation of offspring
        # new population
        population.extend(childs)
                                                                                                           Mutate offsprings
    winner = rank staff lists(staff list population = population, workload table = workload table)[0]
    print(winner)
```

Understand Results

Now, we can run our algorithm

evolution(staff_list = staff_list, workload_table = workload_table, num_iterations = 10, pop_size=4)

[0.5577464788732394,						
	DAY	ID	START	CONTRACT		
0	Monday	1	7	10		
1	Monday	2	12	10		
2	Monday	3	8	10		
3	Monday	4	6	10		
4	Monday	5	13	10		
5	Monday	6	6	10		
6	Monday	7	9	10		
7	Monday	8	13	10		
8	Monday	9	10	5		
9	Monday	10	1	5		
10	Tuesday	1	5	10		
11	Tuesday	2	6	10		
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Classroom Case

Case

Now get more familiar with genetic algorithms:

- Play with the different parameters e.g. num_childs, how does it influence the results?
- Try to implement another cost_function, how does it influence the results?
- Remember the national park roadtrip problem from lecture 2? Take a look at the work of Nathan Brixius (¬ here) and Randal Olson (¬ here, and ¬ here)

Just Keep Coding

