

Natural Computing

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1 Answers

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Due to no eliteness, we can treat the best member as any other member in the pool.

- a) There are 100 individuals, with a mean of 76. That means that the total size of the roulette wheel will be 7600. The current best member has a fitness of 157, so it will occupy $\frac{157}{7600}$ th of the roulette wheel. This means that it has roughly a 2% chance of being selected. If we select 100 members, we expect to select the best member $\frac{157}{7600} * 100 \approx 2$ times.
- b) The chance that we don't select the fittest member is $1 - \frac{157}{7600}$. So the chance that we never select it is $(1 - \frac{157}{7600})^{100} \approx 0.124$.

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The fitness function is

$$f(x) = x^2.$$

The members of the pool are $x = 3$, $x = 5$, and $x = 7$. So the total fitness is $3^2 + 5^2 + 7^2 = 83$. The chance to select each individual is:

$$x = 3 : 9/83 \approx 0.108,$$

$$x = 5 : 25/83 \approx 0.301,$$

$$x = 7 : 49/83 \approx 0.590.$$

When using the alternative selection function

$$f_1(x) = x^2 + 8,$$

the total fitness is $83 + 24 = 107$ and we obtain the following results:

$$x = 3 : 17/107 \approx 0.159,$$

$$x = 5 : 33/107 \approx 0.308,$$

$$x = 7 : 57/107 \approx 0.533.$$

We can see that the second function yields a lower selection pressure. This is because the relative boost of 8 is much higher for the less fit individuals. It almost doubles the fitness of the $x = 3$ individual, and only amounts to a 0.16-th increase in fitness of the $x = 7$ individual.

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TODO: implement a the monte carlo algorithm for counting zeros.

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Implement the 'simple (1+1)-GA for binary problems. and compare it to the monte carlo solution

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Something weird with symbolic expressions. (theory)

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Something weird with symbolic expressions (programming)