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Sources of Change

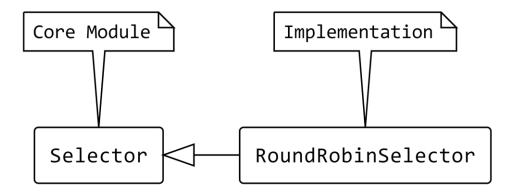
- User feedback
- Requirement to generalization
- Change of understanding
- Inevitable for research software

Response

- Modularization
- Extreme Decoupling
- Abstractions

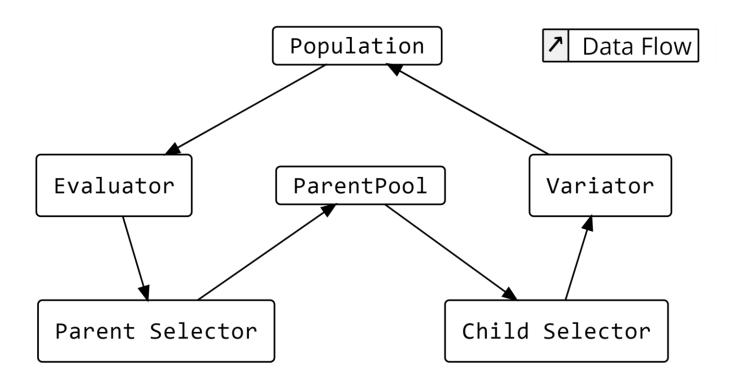
Module Decomposition

- Behaviour-hiding: core modules
- Software-decision: implementations

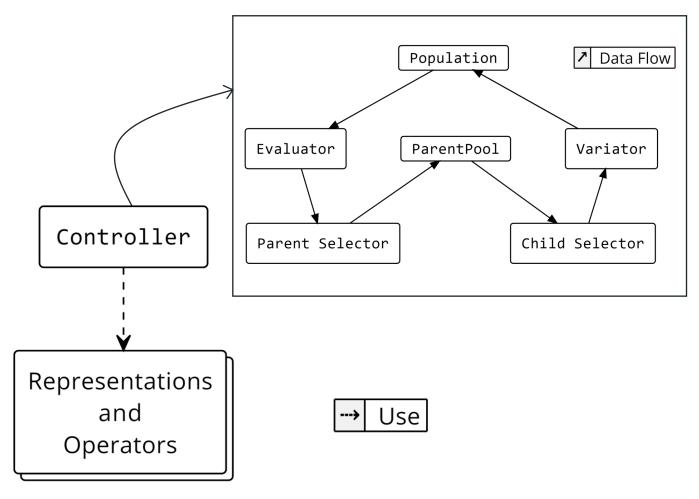


| Level 1 | Level 2 |
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| Hardware-Hiding | |
| Behaviour-Hiding | Core modules (e.g. Selector) |
| Software-Decision | Evolutionary Operators (e.g. SimpleSelector) |

Data Flow

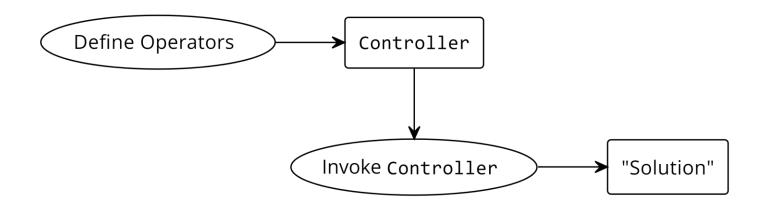


Use Relation



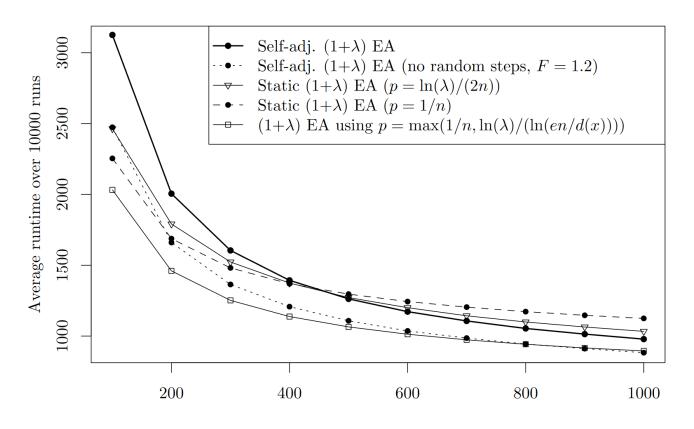
Usage

- 1. Define and modify operators
- 2. Give operators to controller
- 3. Run the controller
- 4. Solution!



Hidden Secrets: Strategy

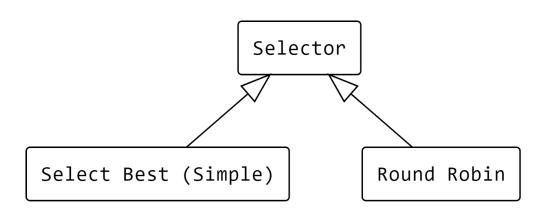
- Different implementations: different results
- Think "step size"



^{*} The $(1+\lambda)$ Evolutionary Algorithm with Self-Adjusting Mutation Rate by Doerr et al.

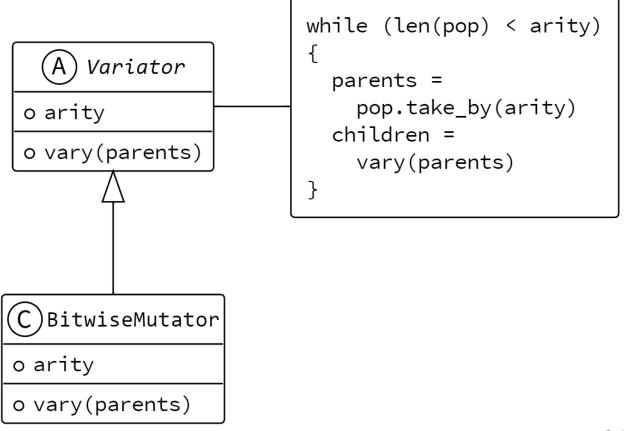
Hidden Secrets: Strategy

- Implementation of the same operator perform the same function
- Different implementations offer different trade-offs



Hidden Secrets: Context

- Core modules give context (&assertions)
- Implementations give **strategies**



Hidden Secrets: Use Cases

- Different "hiddenness" for different users
- Students
 - Core modules hide contexts
 - Implementations hide strategies
 - Use existing modules
- Researches require complete information
 - Everything is exposed
 - Extend core modules