Heuristic of an Evolutionary Algorithm to solve the curriculum based course timetabling problem

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Idea of the heuristic:

Generator:

Fills up the solution table with feasible solutions generated by the algorithm of Martin Josef Geiger¹.

The generator also brings in new genes into the population during the evolution-process.

Evaluator:

Evaluates each solution by one concrete curriculum. Based on this rating the reproduction-strategy will take place. The higher the rating is, the higher is the possibility for reproduction of the concrete solution.

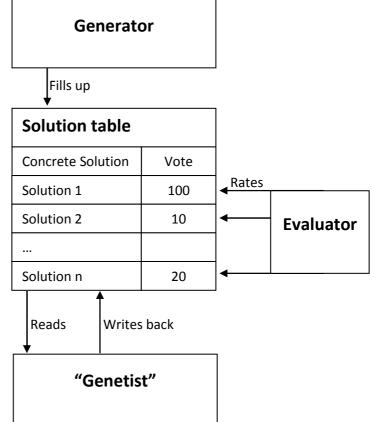
"Genetist":

This module reads several solutions from the solution table and creates new (mostly better) solutions via

- Recombination
- Mutation

This module uses the Neighborhood

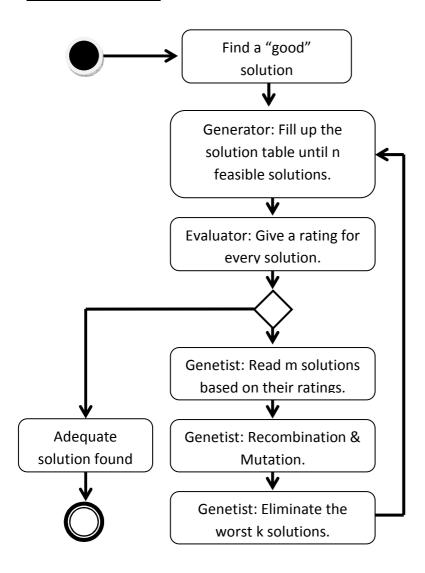
Analysis by Zhipeng Lü, Jin-Kao Hao and Fred Glover².



¹ http://w1.cirrelt.ca/~patat2008/PATAT_7_PROCEEDINGS/Papers/Geiger-TC1d.pdf

² http://www.info.univ-angers.fr/pub/hao/papers/JoH2010.pdf

Activity Diagram:



Measurements: