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# pymoo Documentation

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The test problems are uploaded to the PyPi Repository.

```
pip install pymoo
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## 1 Implementations

### 1.1 Algorithms

**Genetic Algorithm:** A simple genetic algorithm to solve single-objective problems.

**NSGA-II [1]:** Non-dominated sorting genetic algorithm for bi-objective problems. The mating selection is done using the binary tournament by comparing the rank and the crowding distance. The crowding distance is a niching measure in a two-dimensional space which sums up the difference to the neighbours in each dimension. The non-dominated sorting considers the rank determined by being in the  $i$ th front and the crowding distance to achieve a good diversity when converging.

**NSGA-III [2] [3]:** A referenced-based algorithm used to solve many-objective problems. The survival selection uses the perpendicular distance to the reference directions. As normalization the boundary intersection method is used [5].

**MOEAD/D [4]:** The classical MOEADD implementation using the Tchebichev decomposition function.

**Differential Evolution [5]:** The classical single-objective differential evolution algorithm where different crossover variations and methods can be defined. It is known for its good results for effective global optimization.

## 1.2 Methods

**Simulated Binary Crossover [6]:** This crossover simulates a single-point crossover in a binary representation by using an exponential distribution for real values. The polynomial mutation is defined accordingly which performs basically a binary bitflip for real numbers.

## 2 Usage

```
import time

from matplotlib import animation
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

if __name__ == '__main__':

    # load the problem instance
    from pymop.zdt import ZDT1
    problem = ZDT1(n_var=30)

    # create the algorithm instance by specifying the intended parameters
    from pymoo.algorithms.NSGAII import NSGAII
    algorithm = NSGAII("real", pop_size=100, verbose=True)

    start_time = time.time()

    # save the history in an object to observe the convergence over generations
    history = []

    # number of generations to run it
    n_gen = 200

    # solve the problem and return the results
    X, F, G = algorithm.solve(problem,
                              evaluator=(100 * n_gen),
                              seed=2,
                              return_only_feasible=False,
                              return_only_non_dominated=False,
                              history=history)

    print("--- %s seconds ---" % (time.time() - start_time))

    scatter_plot = True
    save_animation = True

    # get the problem dimensionality
    is_2d = problem.n_obj == 2
    is_3d = problem.n_obj == 3
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if scatter_plot and is_2d:
    plt.scatter(F[:, 0], F[:, 1])
    plt.show()

if scatter_plot and is_3d:
    fig = plt.figure()
    from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
    ax = fig.add_subplot(111, projection='3d')
    ax.scatter(F[:, 0], F[:, 1], F[:, 2])
    plt.show()

# create an animation to watch the convergence over time
if is_2d and save_animation:

    fig = plt.figure()
    ax = plt.gca()

    _F = history[0]['F']
    pf = problem.pareto_front()
    plt.scatter(pf[:,0], pf[:,1], label='Pareto Front', s=60, facecolors='none',
    ↪edgecolors='r')
    scat = plt.scatter(_F[:, 0], _F[:, 1])

    def update(frame_number):
        _F = history[frame_number]['F']
        scat.set_offsets(_F)

        # get the bounds for plotting and add padding
        min = np.min(_F, axis=0) - 0.1
        max = np.max(_F, axis=0) + 0.

        # set the scatter object with padding
        ax.set_xlim(min[0], max[0])
        ax.set_ylim(min[1], max[1])

    # create the animation
    ani = animation.FuncAnimation(fig, update, frames=range(n_gen))

    # write the file
    Writer = animation.writers['ffmpeg']
    writer = Writer(fps=6, bitrate=1800)
    ani.save('%s.mp4' % problem.name(), writer=writer)

```

## 3 References

## 4 API

## 5 Contact

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