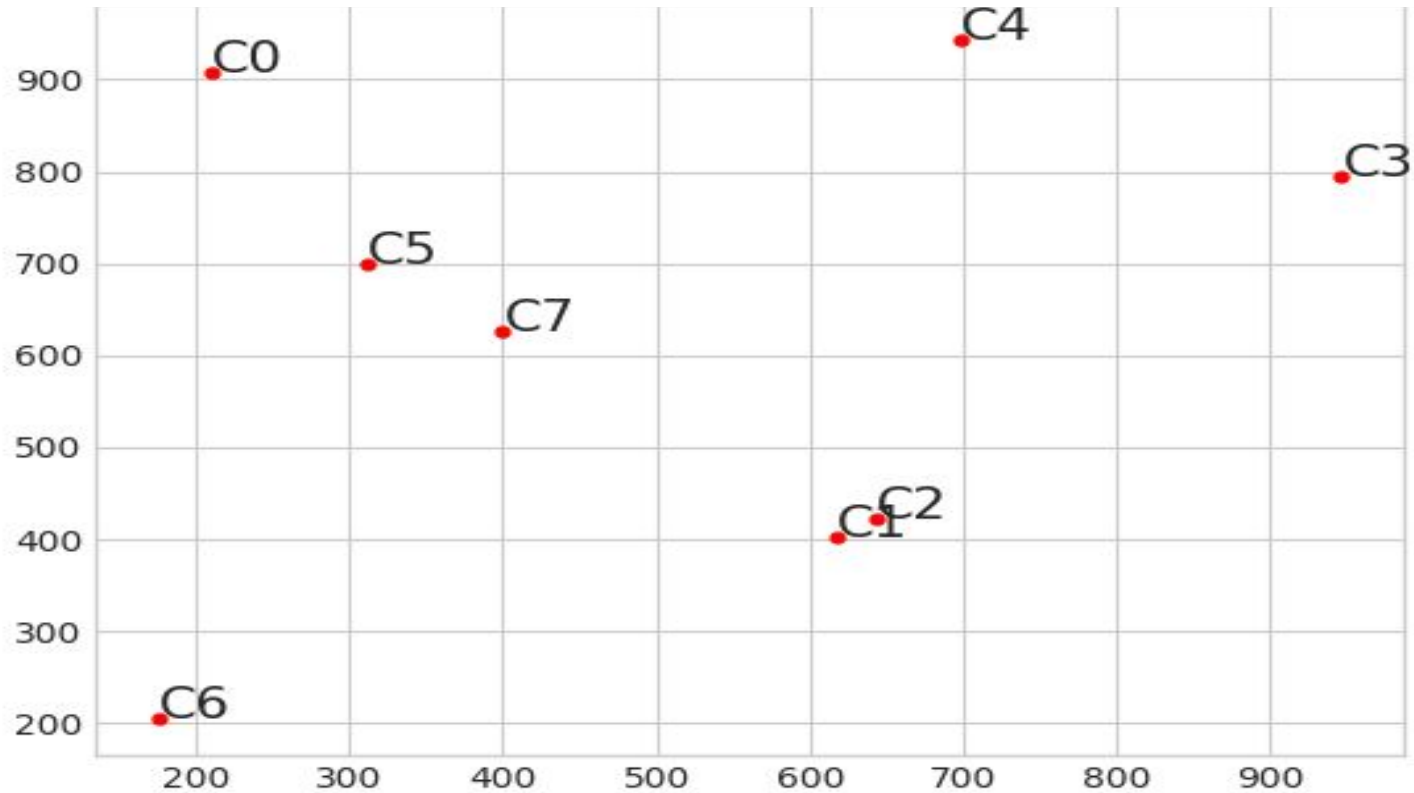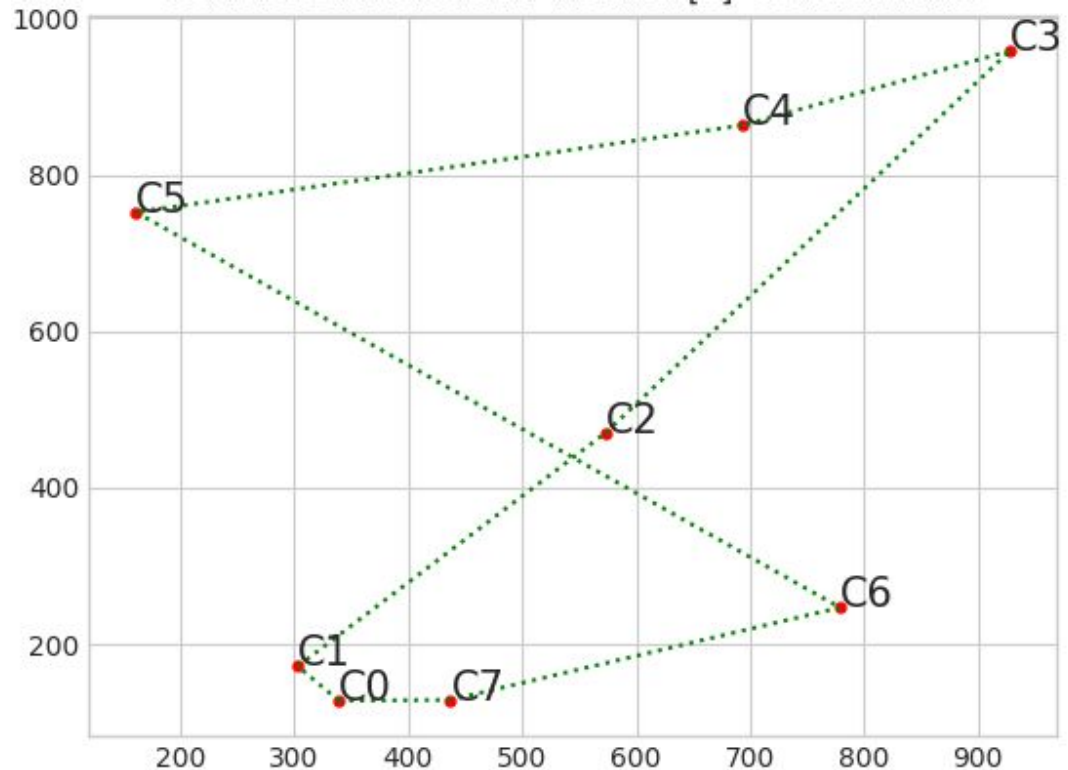# TSP solution via GA

The Problem

Individual | Chromosome| Candidate Solutions

- A path or a Candidate solution to the TSP problem
- Initial population is randomly assigned paths
- They may or may not have good fitness

Fitness Function

- 1/Summation(Euclidean Distance between consecutive cities)
- Euclidean Distance = (x1-x2)^2 - (y1-y2)^2
- Higher fitness better the solution | Individual

Encoding Used : Permutation Encoding

Order of traversal is order of array

| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 9 |

Steps

- ## Initialize Population
  Randomly generate candidate solutions| Chromosomes| Individuals

- ## Until Convergence Or generation limit
  1. Select Parents
  2. Crossover
  3. Mutate

Different Methods For Selection Compared

1. Roulette Selection
2. Rank Selection
3. Tournament selection
4. Random Selection
5. Hybrid eg(Roulette-Rank)

Crossover

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Parents

9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Child

Step 1 :

					6	7	8	

Step 2:

9	5	4	3	2	6	7	8	1

Mutation : Swap mutation

Randomly Select two indices and Swap Cities

Always a proper solution to TSP as no cities are duplicated or repeated

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

1	2	8	4	5	6	7	3	9

Approach To collect data

- Run the code for "T" test cases (Problems | City locations)
- Try solving the same "T" cases one at a time using the different selection methods(eg Rank,Roulette..)
- Average out the fitness values over "T"
- Plot and Compare Results