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Visualization of empirical autocorrelation functions of various functions defined on bit vectors

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Abstract

This document proposes to visualize empirical autocorrelation functions of various functions defined on bit vectors (hypercube) of size $n = 100$. If f is a fitness function, a random walk $(X_t)_{t \geq 1}$ on the hypercube gives rise to a time series $(f(X_t))$ which is analyzed through its empirical autocorrelation function.

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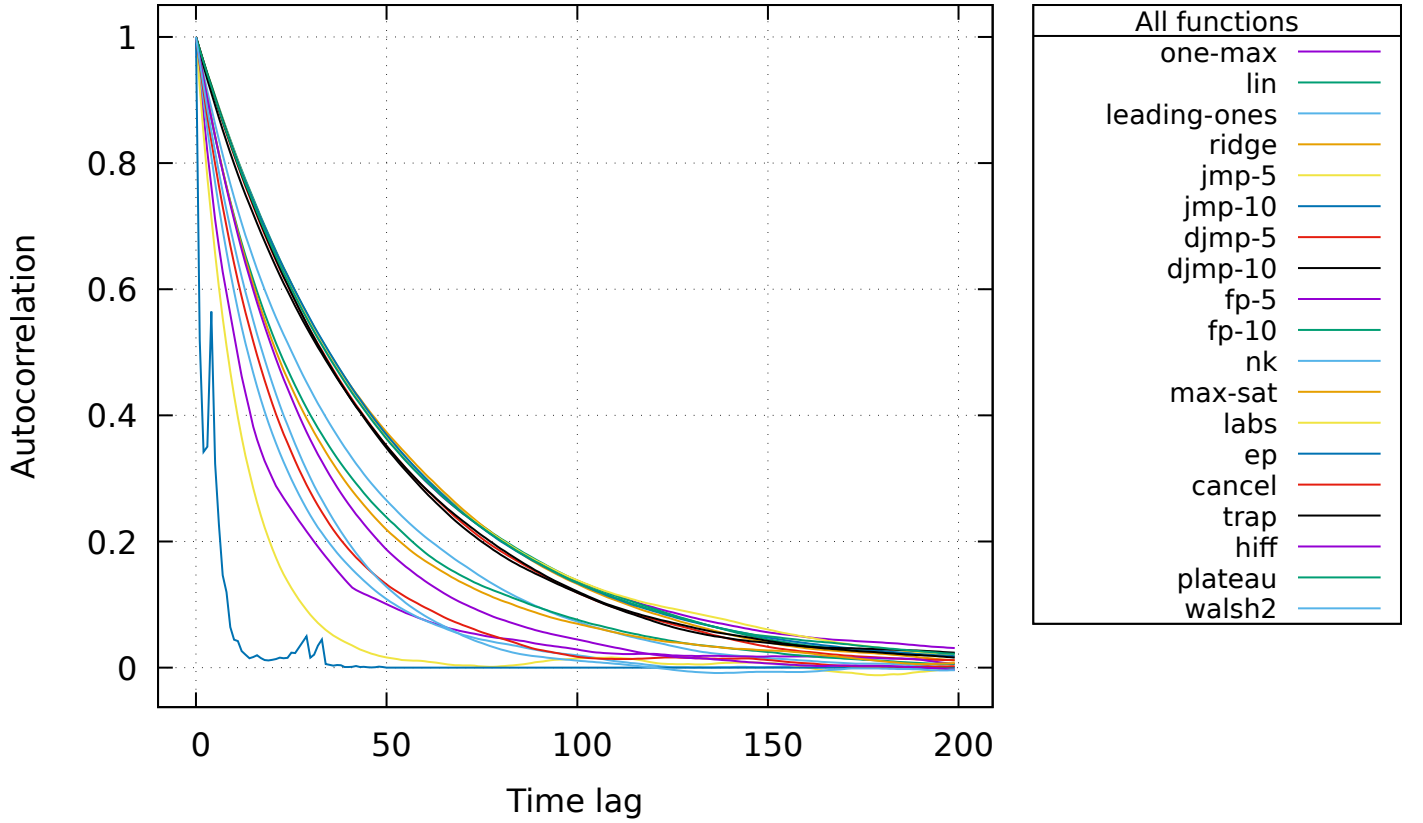
1 Introduction

The underlying process is a random walk $(X_t)_{t \geq 1}$ on the hypercube initialized uniformly. If f is the fitness function then its autocorrelation function ρ is defined by

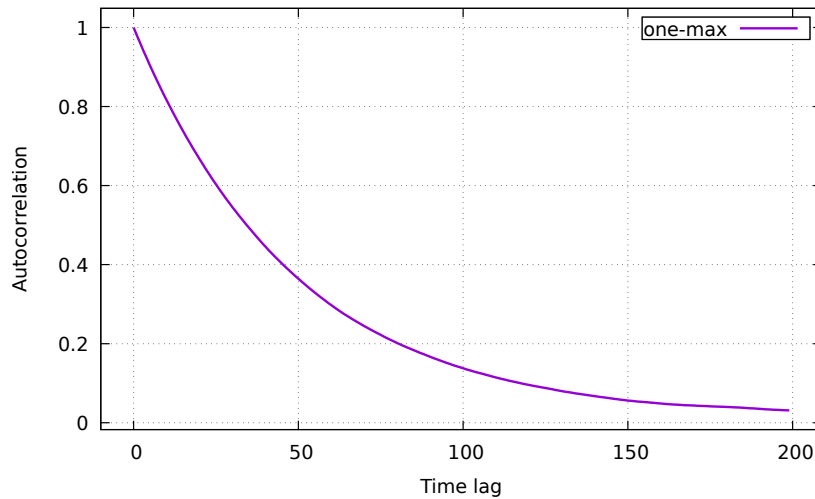
$$\rho(\tau) = \frac{1}{(n - \tau)\sigma^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T-\tau} (f(X_t) - \mu)(f(X_{t+\tau}) - \mu) \quad (1)$$

where μ and σ are the mean and standard deviation respectively of the process $(f(X_t))$, T is the length of the Markov chain and the lag τ is such that $0 \leq \tau < T$. The empirical autocorrelation function is estimated and computed in a naive way. It should be noted that the estimated function does not necessarily have properties such as positivity, monotonicity, or convexity. Normalized autocorrelation functions $\rho(\tau)/\rho(0)$ are represented in the following sections.

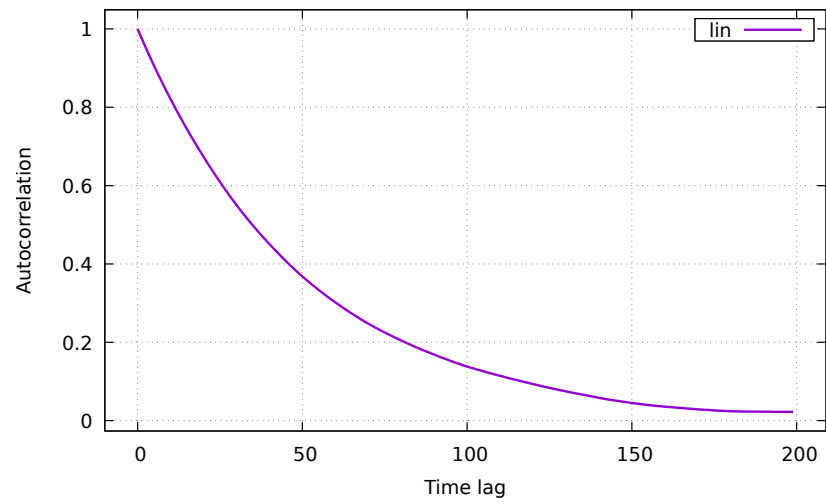
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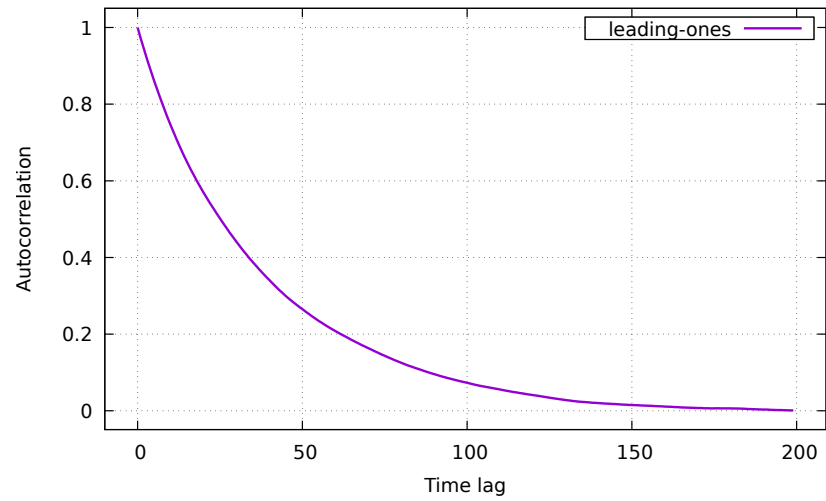
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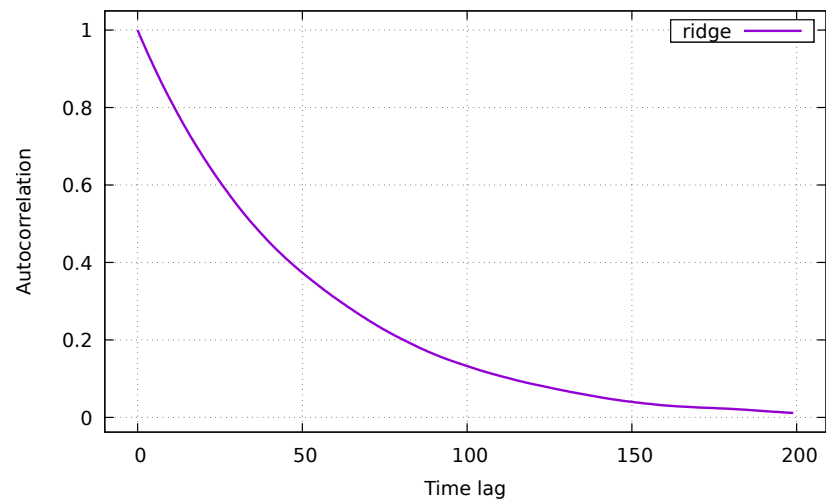
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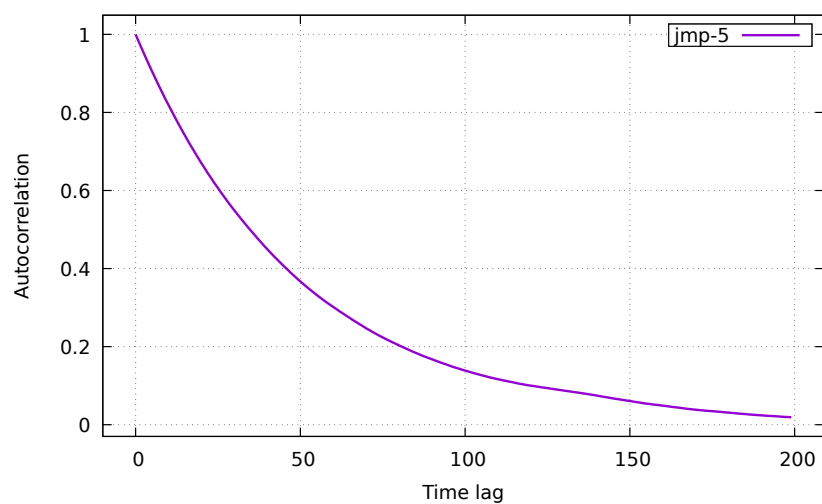
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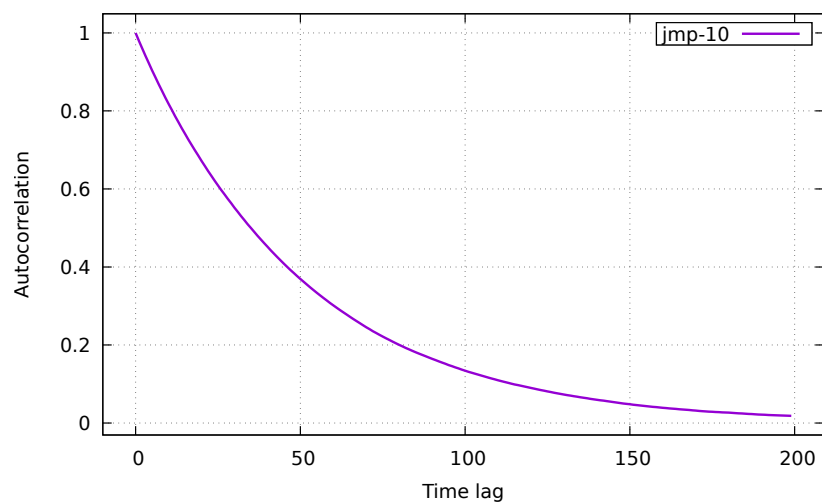
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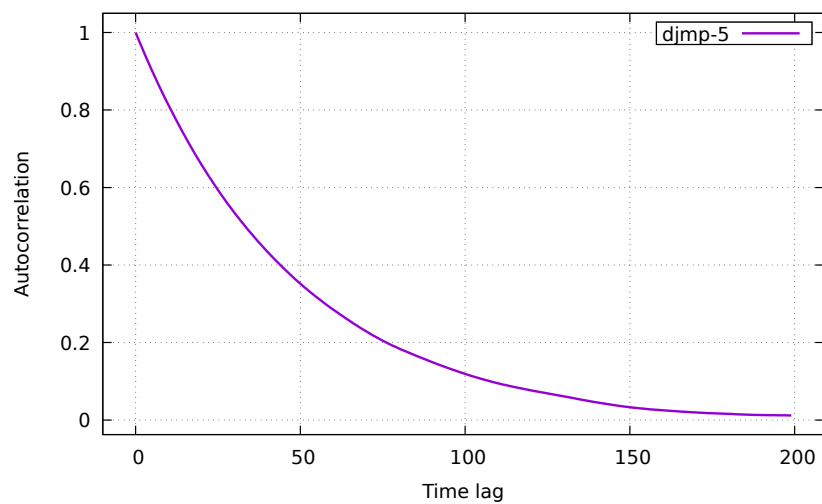
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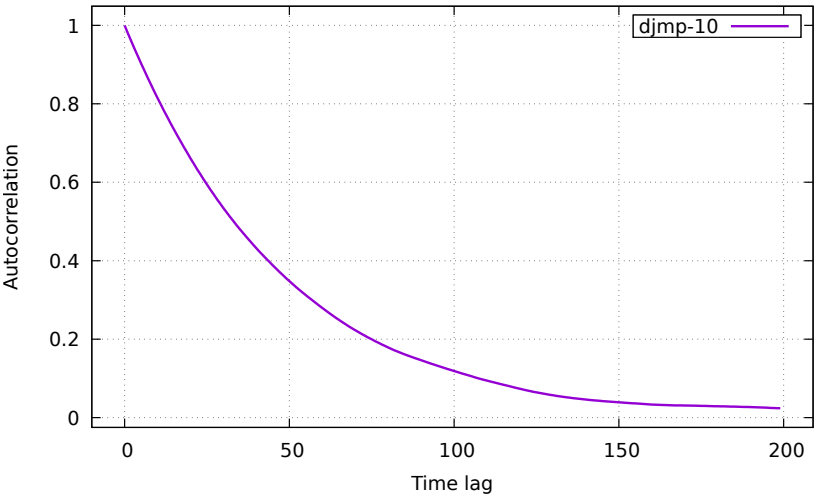
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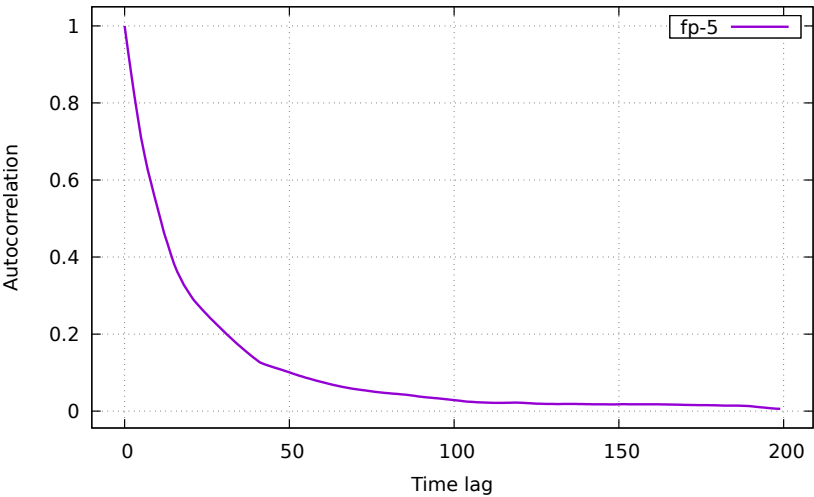
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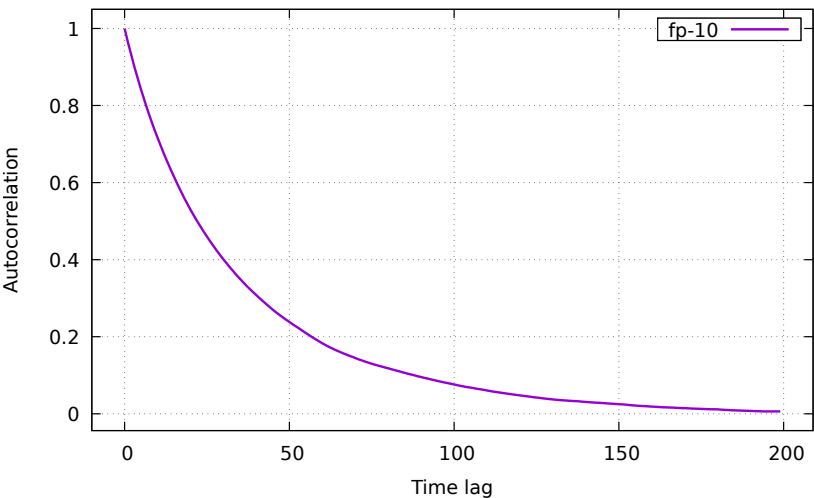
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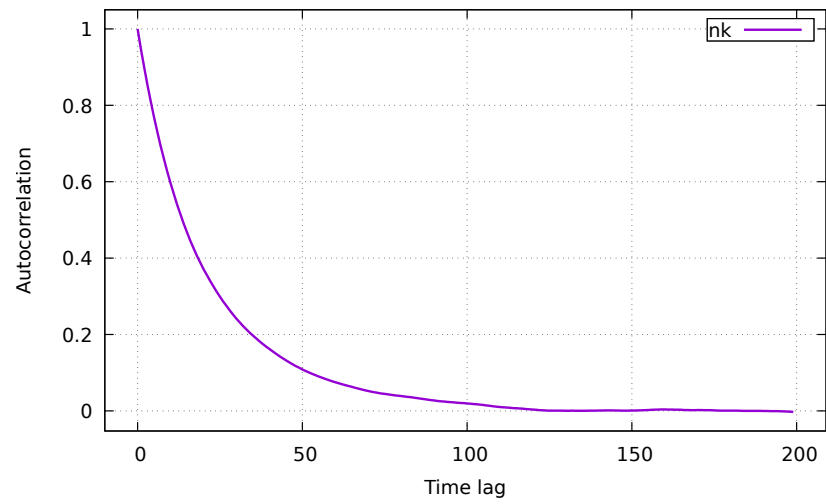
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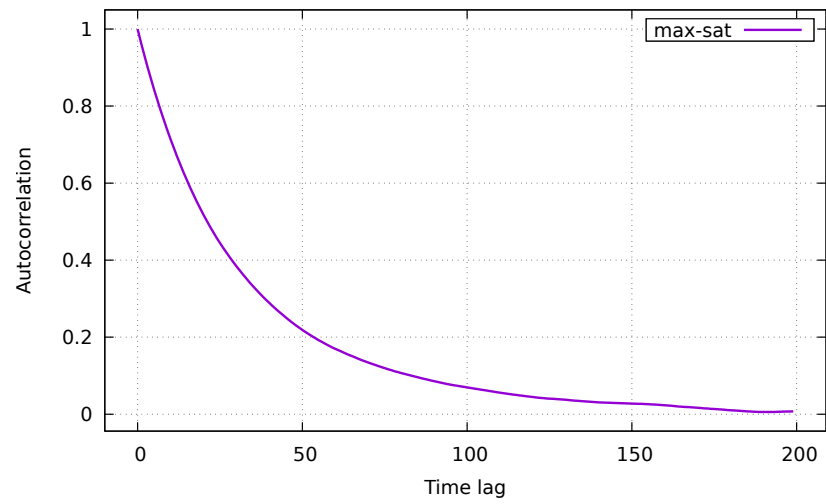
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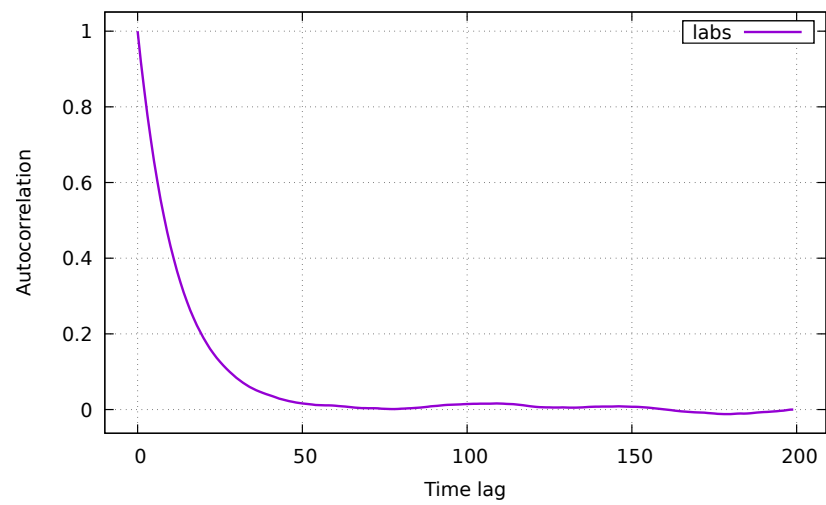
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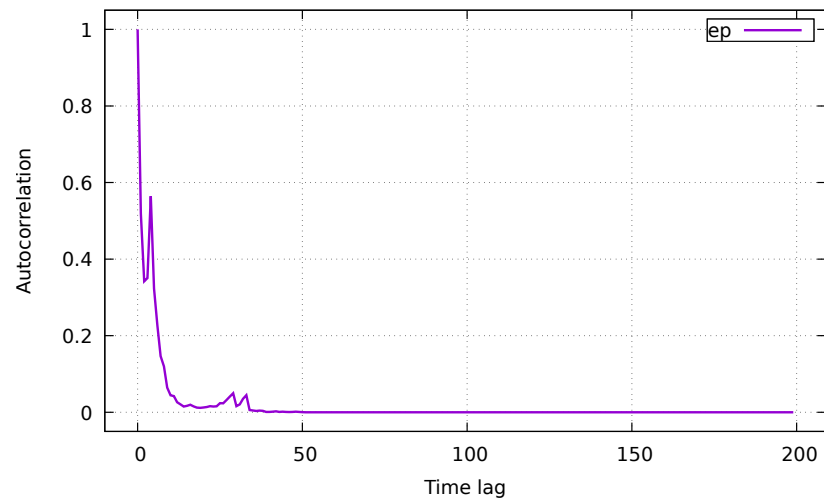
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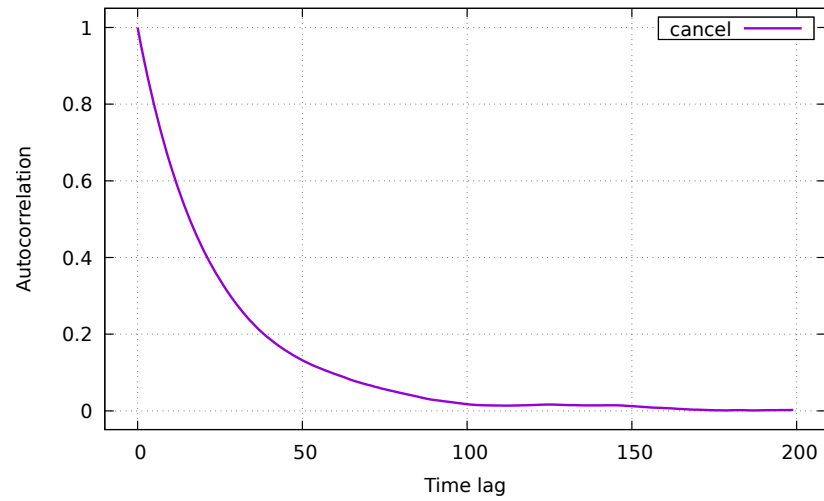
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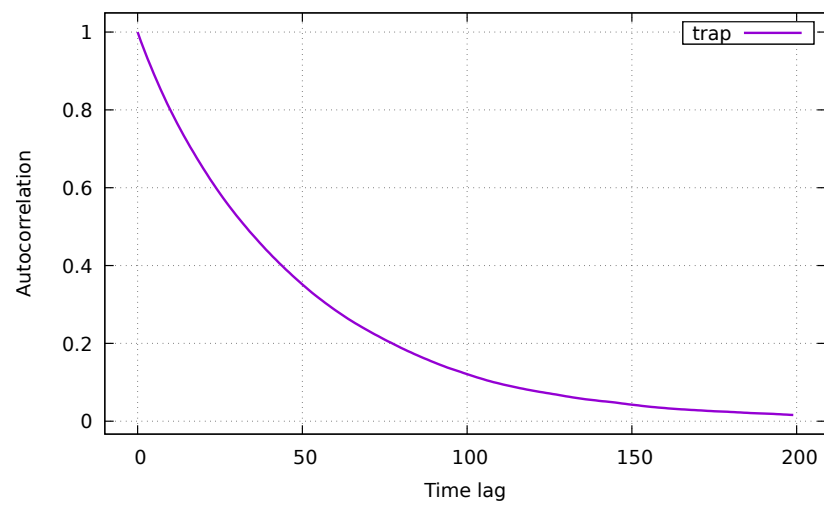
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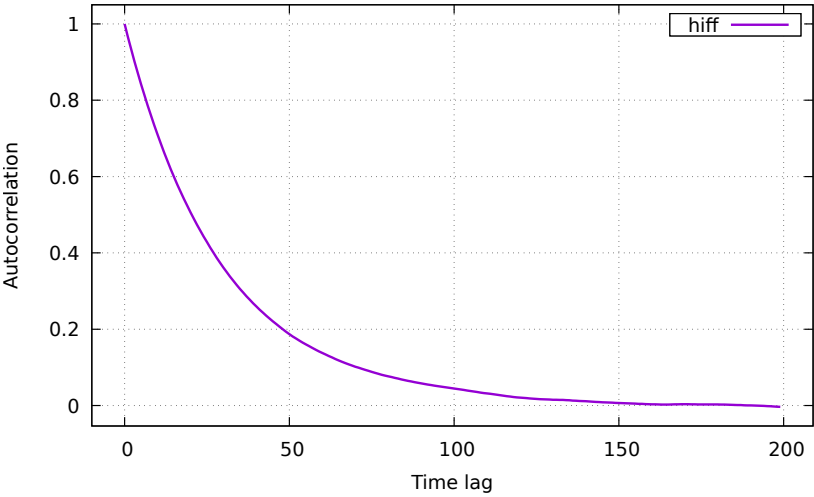
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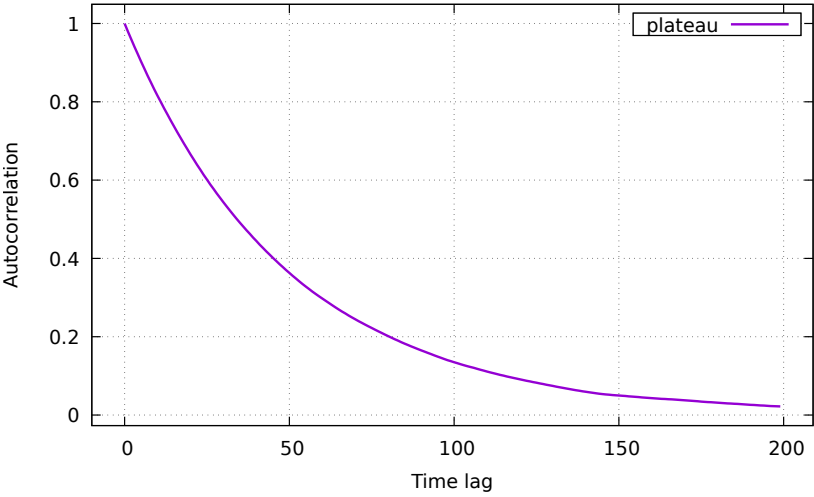
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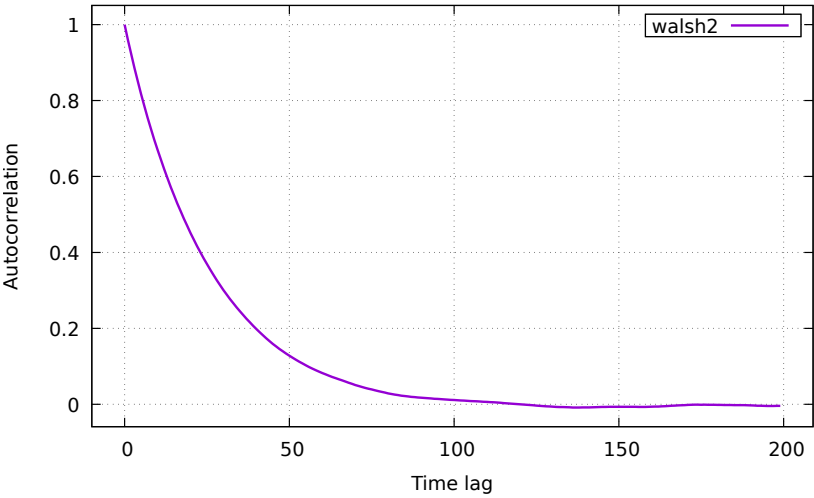
19 hiff



20 plateau



21 walsh2



A Plan

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      "id": "leading-ones",
      "opt": "-F 10"
    },
    {
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      "opt": "-F 11"
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    {
      "id": "jmp-5",
      "opt": "-F 30 -t 5"
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      "opt": "-F 70 -p instances/ms.100.3.1000"
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    {
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}
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    {
      "id": "ep",
      "opt": "-F 90 -p instances/ep.100"
    },
    {
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      "opt": "-F 100 -s 99"
    },
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      "id": "hiff",
      "opt": "-F 120 -s 128"
    },
    {
      "id": "plateau",
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    },
    {
      "id": "walsh2",
      "opt": "-F 162 -p instances/walsh2.100"
    }
  ]
}

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B Default parameters

```

# algorithm = 100
# bm_mc_reset_strategy = 1
# bm_num_gs_cycles = 1
# bm_num_gs_steps = 100
# bm_sampling = 1
# budget = 10000
# bv_size = 100
# description_path = description.txt
# ea_lambda = 100
# ea_mu = 10
# expression = x
# fn_name = noname
# fn_num_traps = 10
# fn_prefix_length = 2
# fn_threshold = 10
# fp_expression = (1-x)^2+100*(y-x^2)^2
# fp_lower_bound = -2
# fp_num_bits = 8
# fp_upper_bound = 2
# function = 0
# ga_crossover_bias = 0.5
# ga_crossover_probability = 0.5
# ga_tournament_size = 10
# hea_bit_herding = 0
# hea_num_seq_updates = 100
# hea_reset_period = 0
# hea_sampling_method = 0
# hea_weight = 1
# learning_rate = 0.001
# map = 0
# map_input_size = 100
# map_path = map.txt
# map_ts_length = 10

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# map_ts_sampling_mode = 0
# mutation_rate = 1
# neighborhood = 0
# neighborhood_iterator = 0
# noise_stddev = 1
# num_iterations = 0
# num_threads = 1
# path = function.txt
# pn_mutation_rate = 1
# pn_neighborhood = 0
# pn_radius = 2
# population_size = 10
# pv_log_num_components = 5
# radius = 2
# results_path = results.json
# rls_patience = 50
# sa_beta_ratio = 1.2
# sa_initial_acceptance_probability = 0.6
# sa_num_transitions = 50
# sa_num_trials = 100
# seed = 0
# selection_size = 1
# solution_path = solution.txt
# target = 100
# print_defaults
# last_parameter
# exec_name = hnco
# version = 0.15
# Generated from hnco.json
```