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Empirical cumulative distribution functions of the runtime of various black box optimization algorithms

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Abstract

We partly follow the experimental procedure of the COCO framework for the performance assessment of black box optimization algorithms Hansen et al. [2016]. Each algorithm is run independently 20 times on each objective (or fitness) function. The dimension is fixed at n=100. Then 50 equally spaced targets are computed for each objective function. For each algorithm and each function we compute the empirical cumulative distribution function (ECDF) of the runtime, that is the proportion of targets reached as a function of the number of evaluations over all 20 runs. We also compute the global ECDF which takes into account the targets of all functions. The results are listed by function. For clarity reasons only 8 algorithms (hence 8 colors) are included in the study. It should be noted that the linear scale of targets does not fit the function EqualProducts.

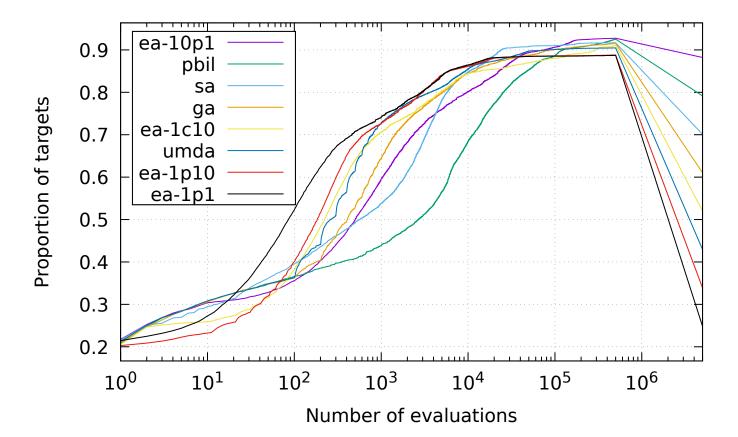
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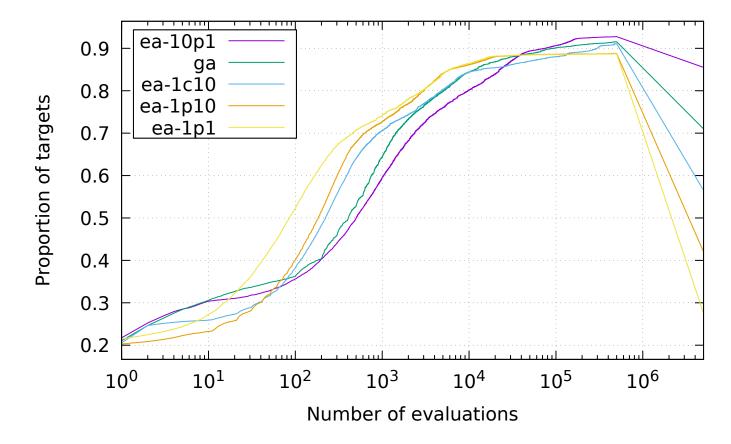
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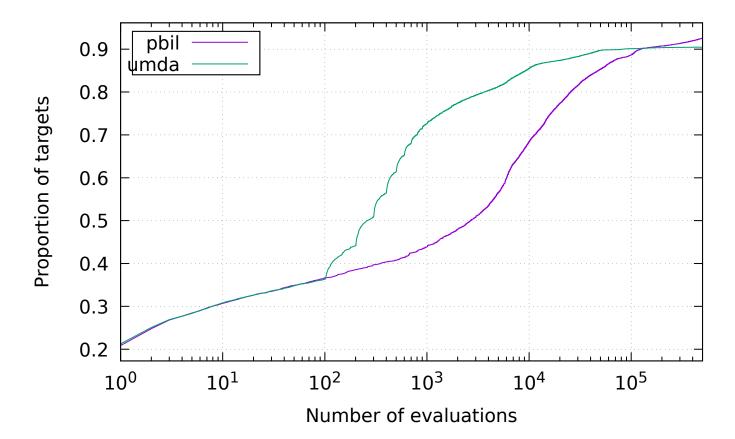
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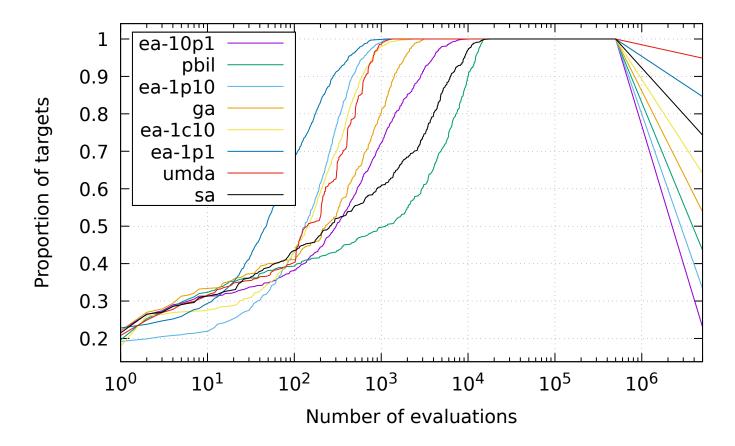


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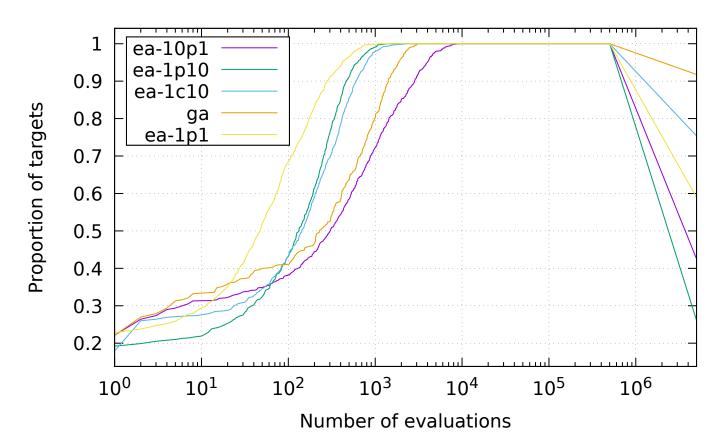


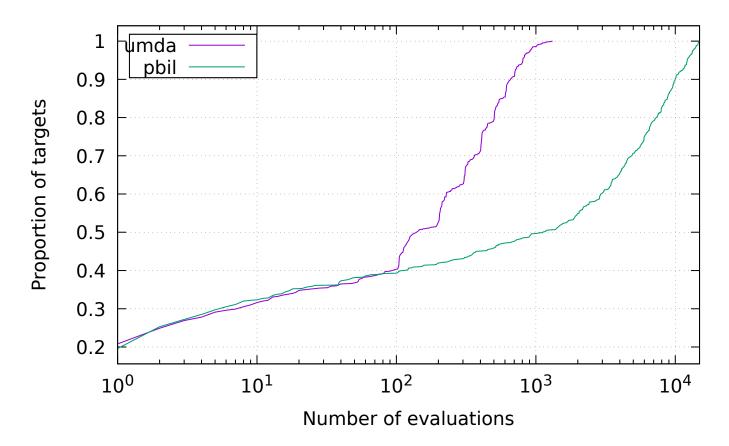
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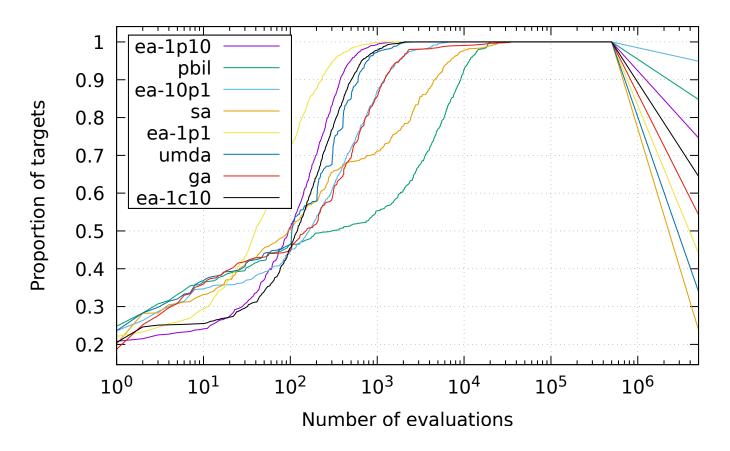


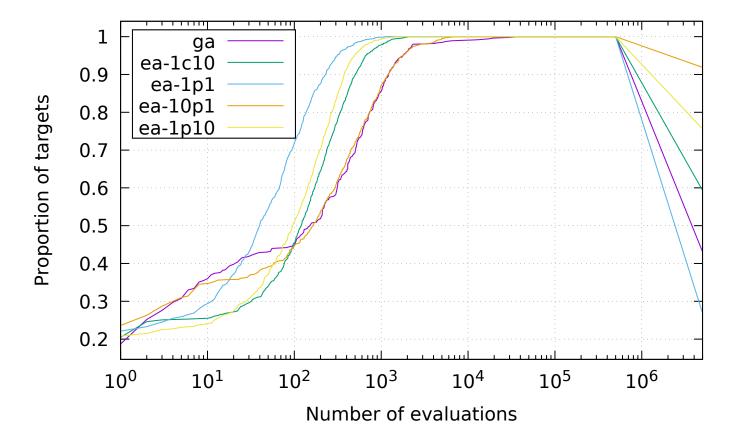
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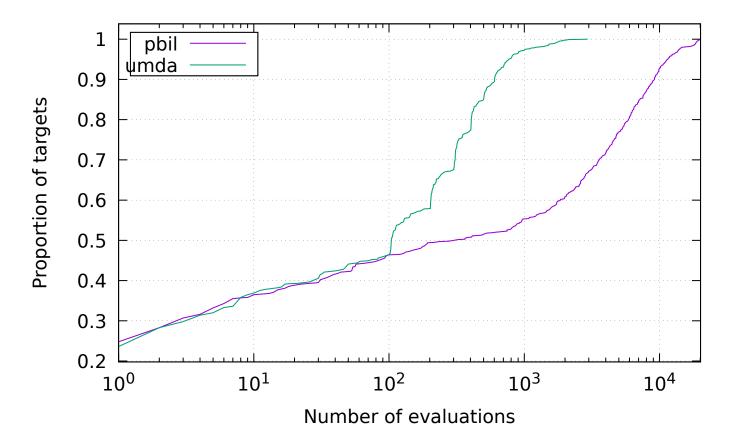


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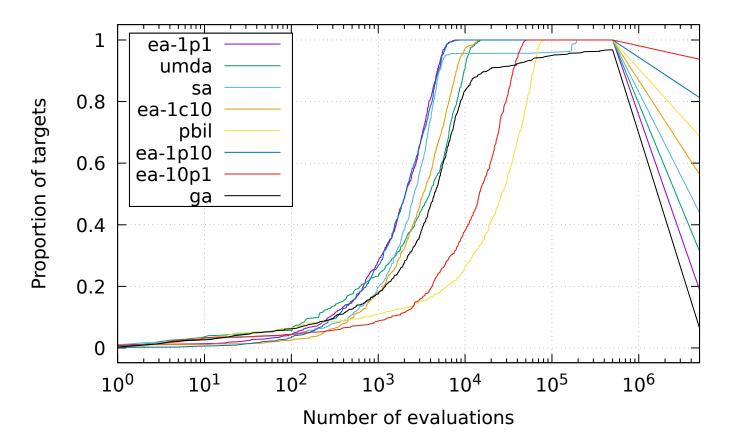


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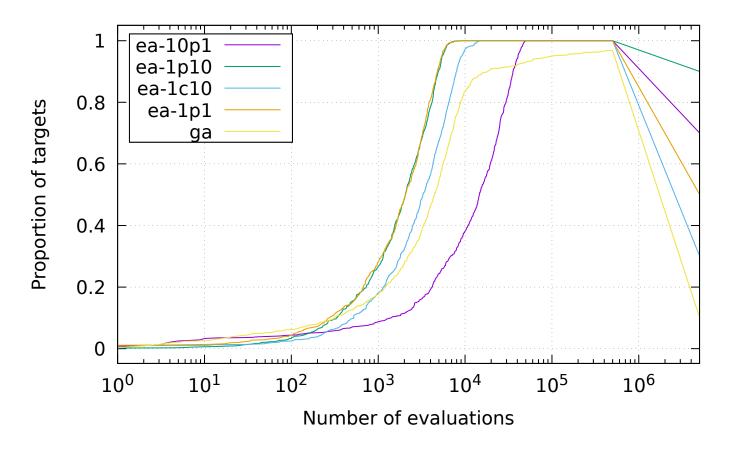


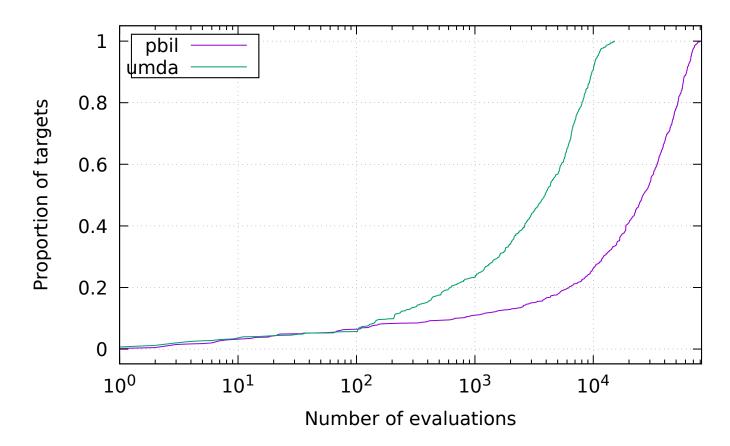
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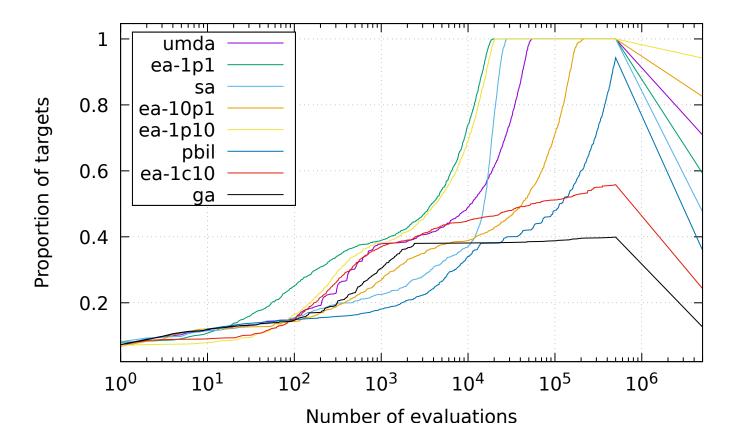


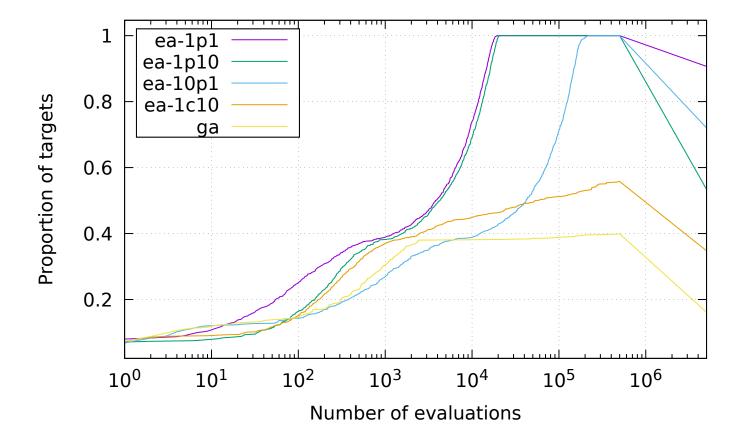
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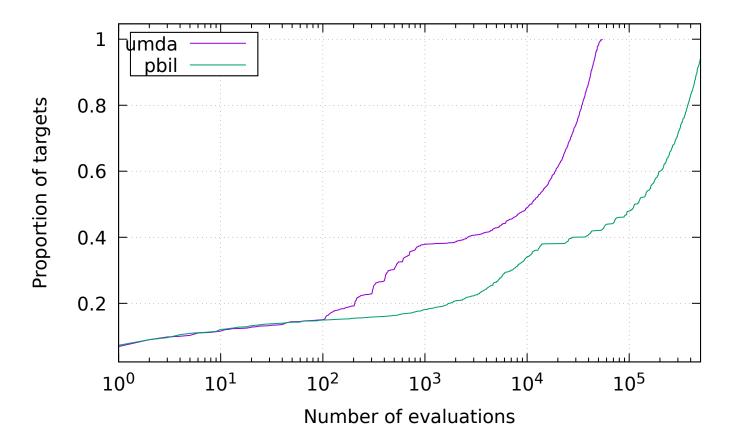


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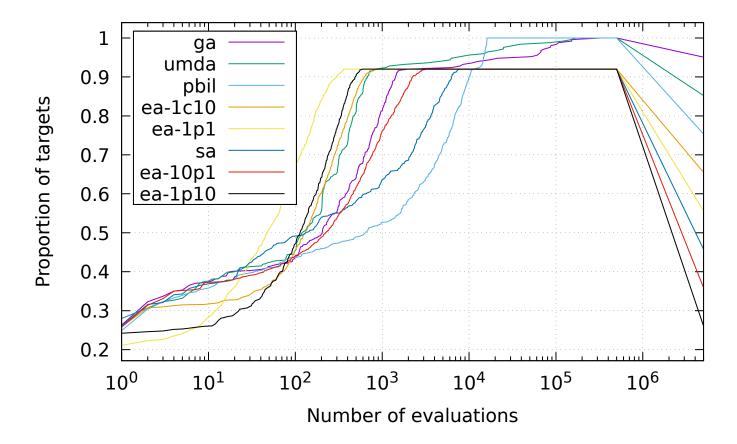


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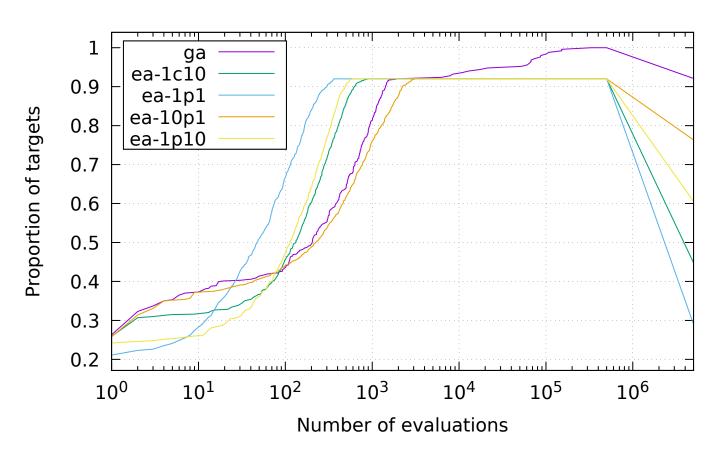


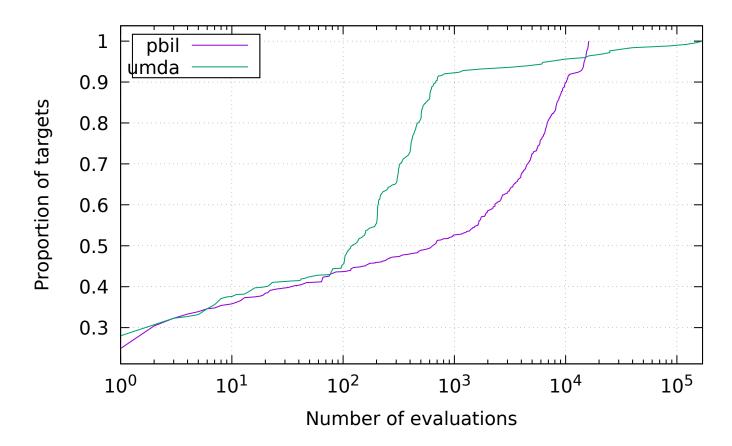
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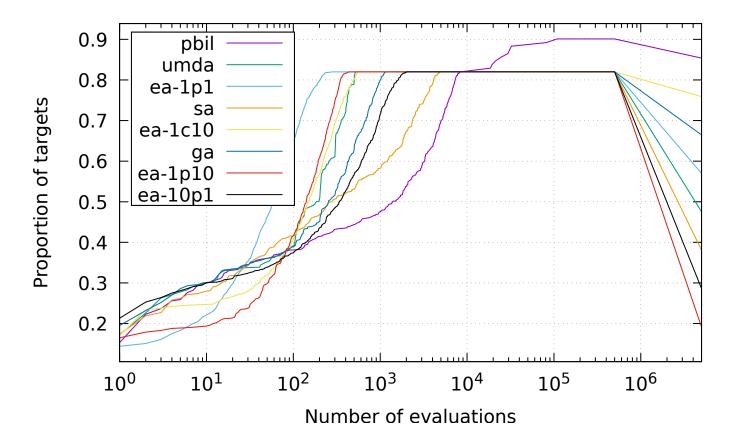


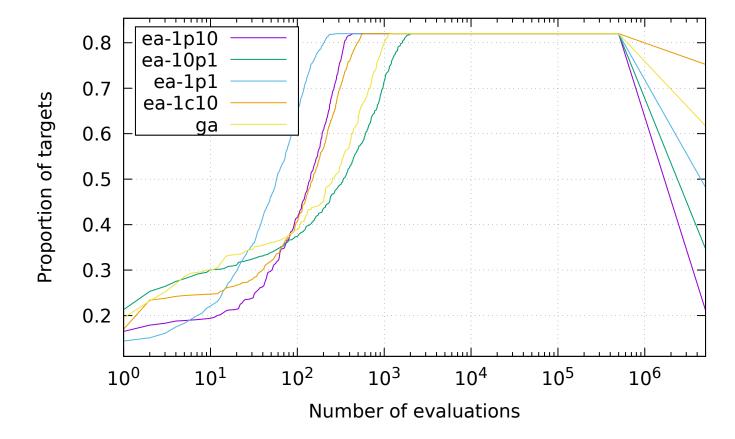
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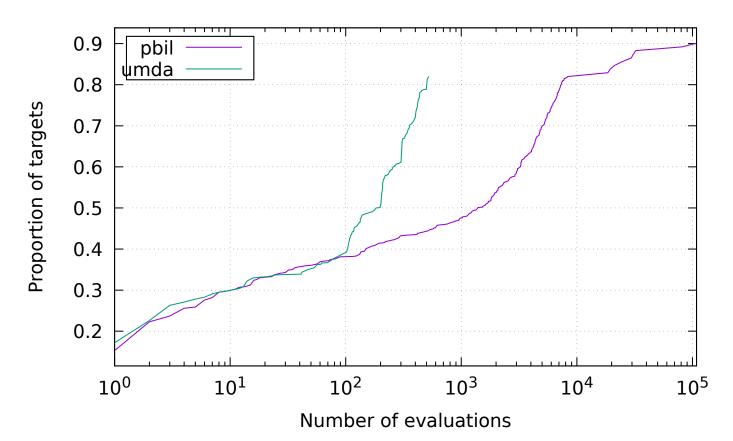


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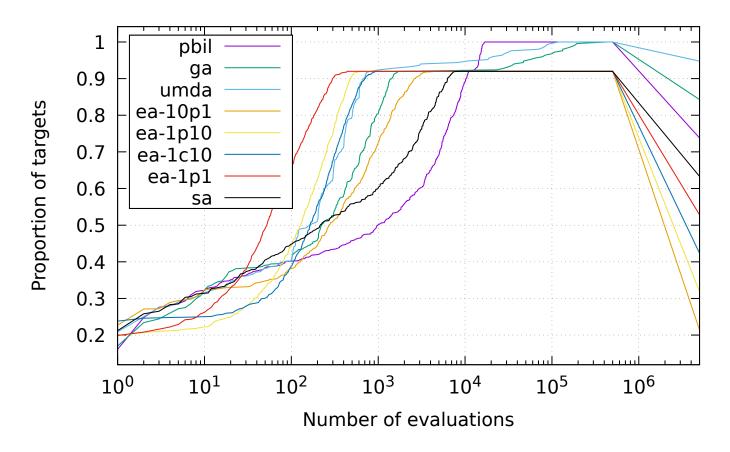


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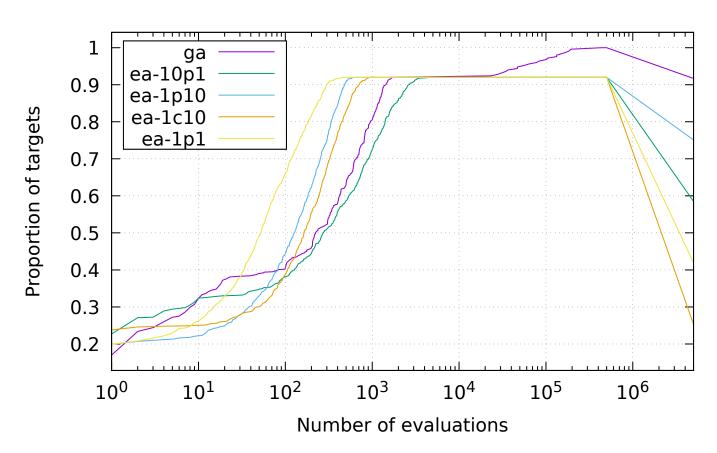


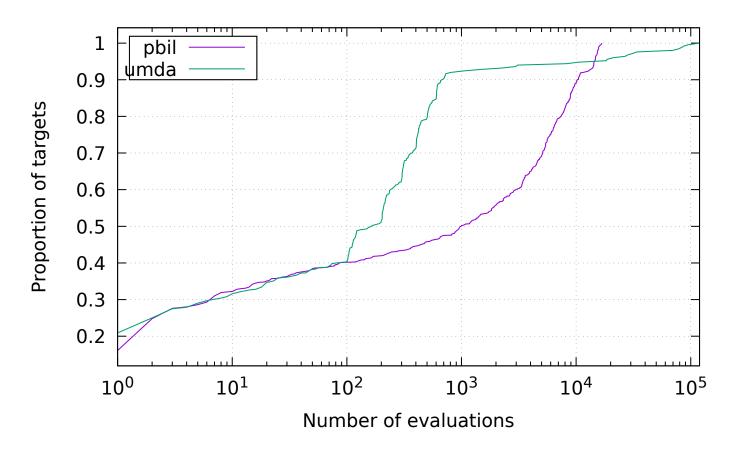
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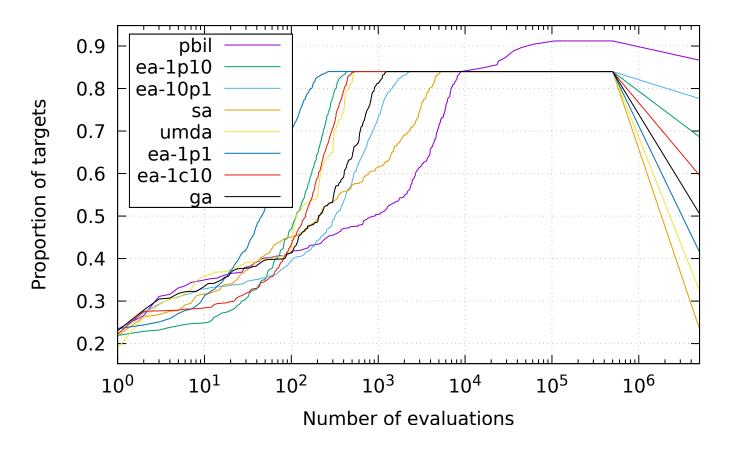


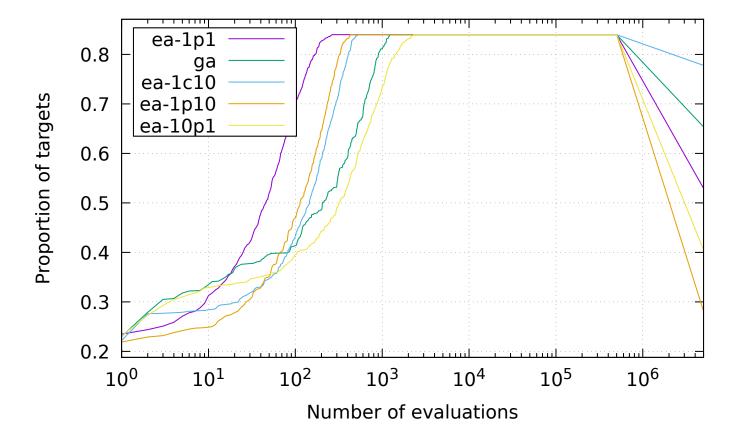
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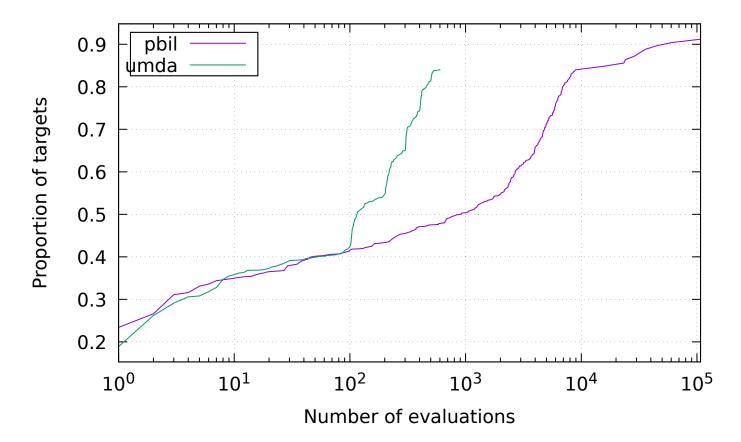


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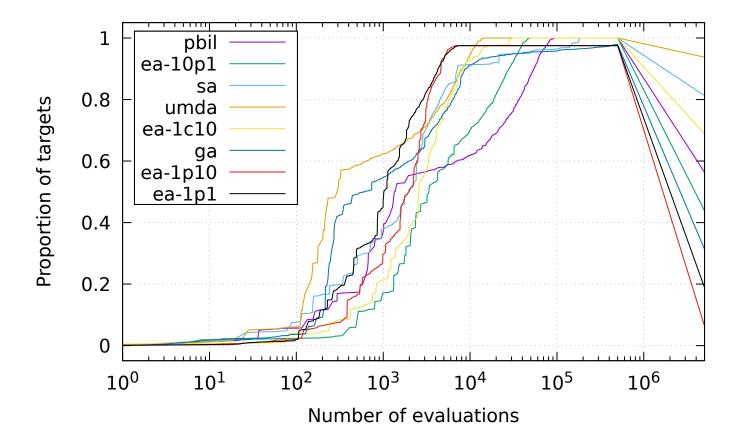


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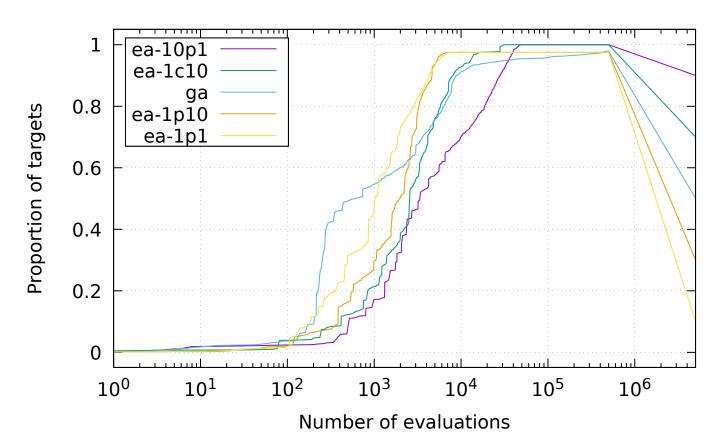


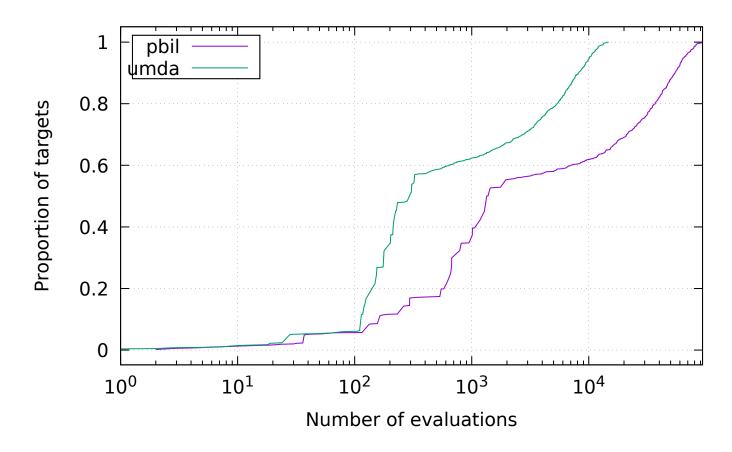
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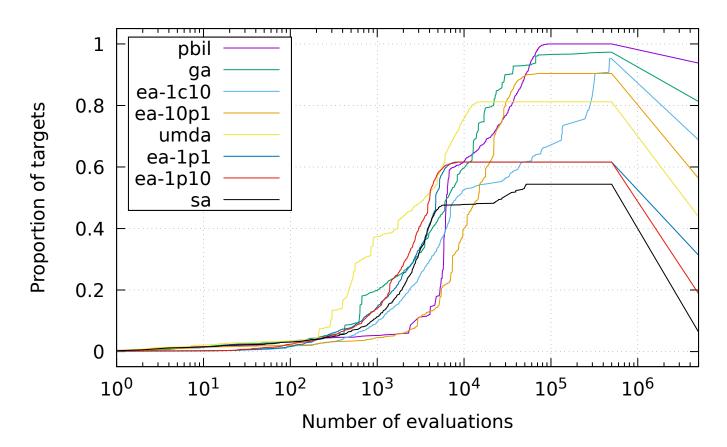


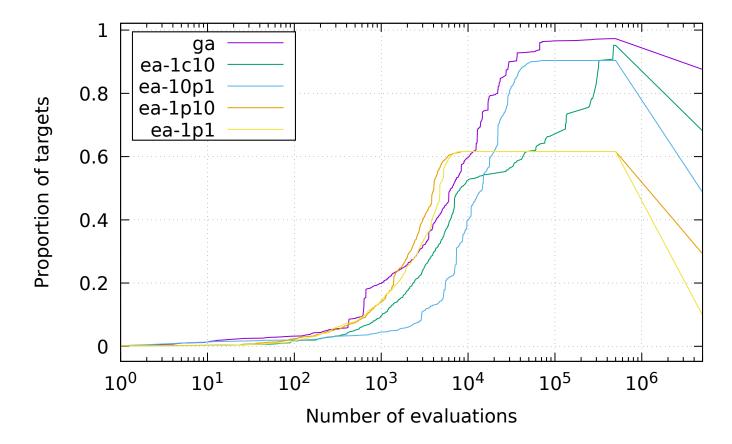
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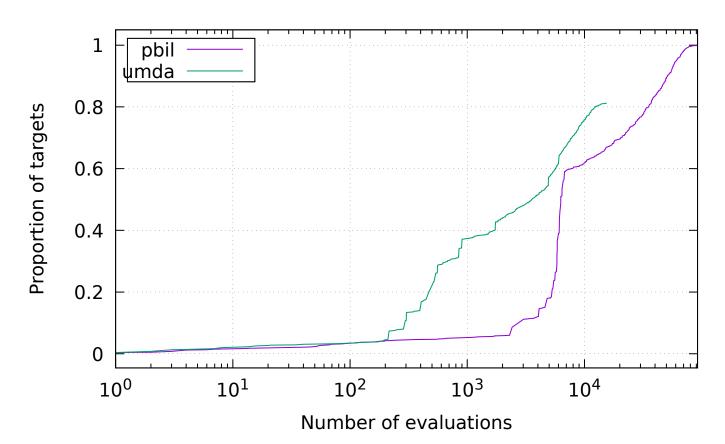


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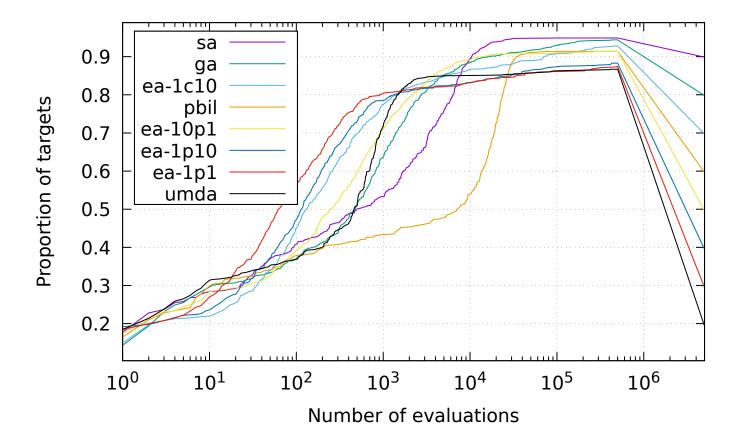


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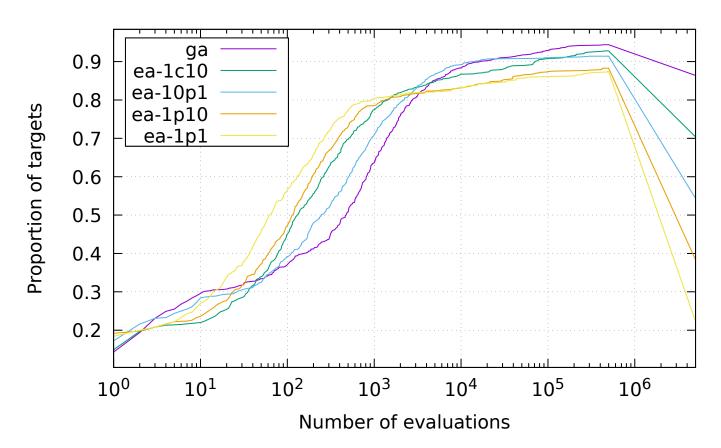


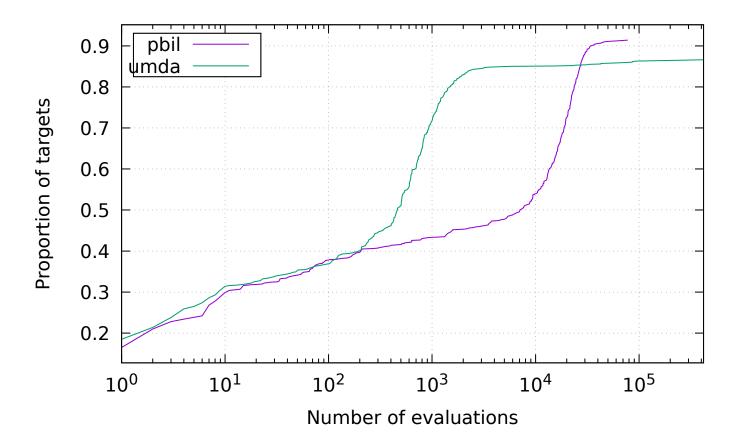
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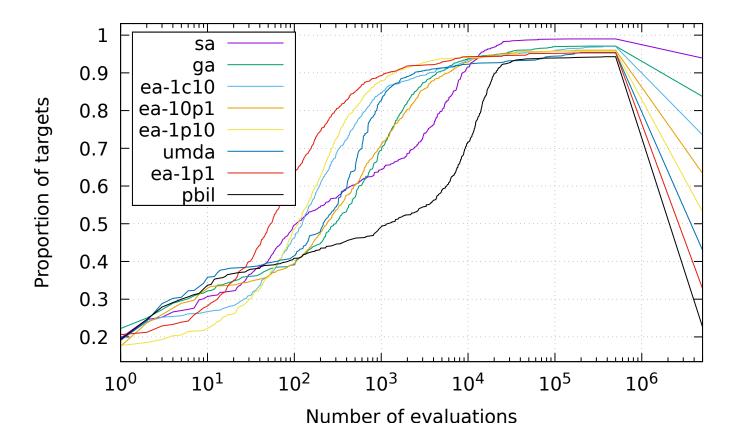


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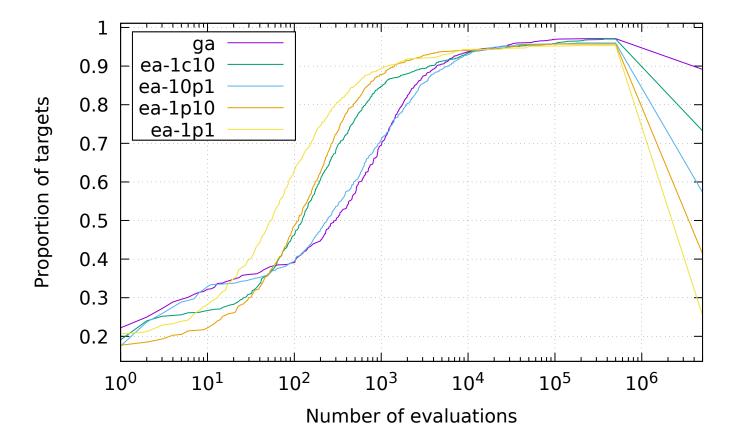




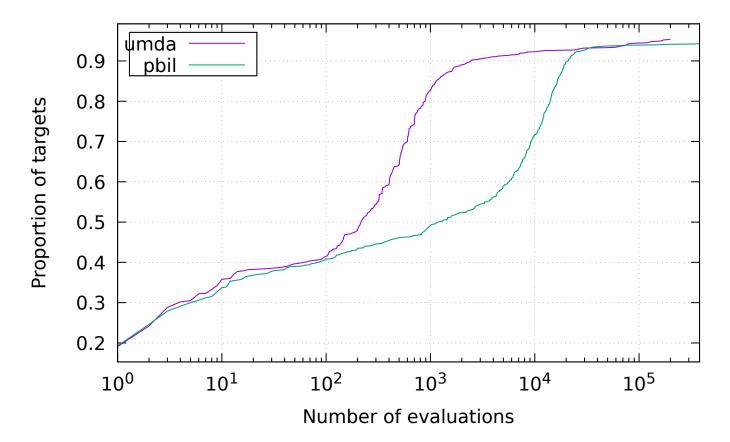
13 Results for max-sat



13.2 Groups

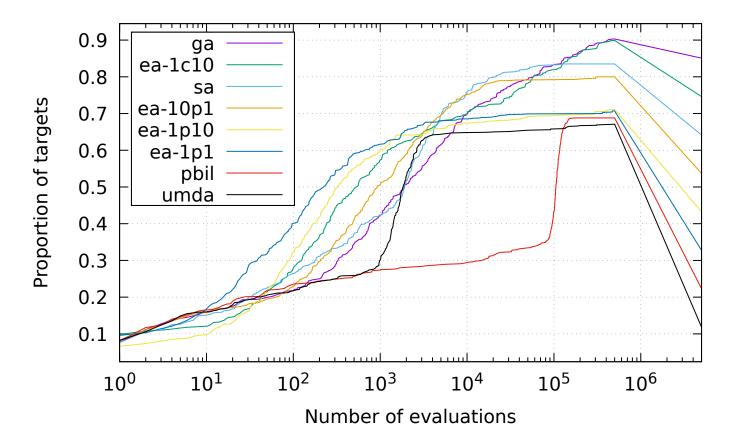


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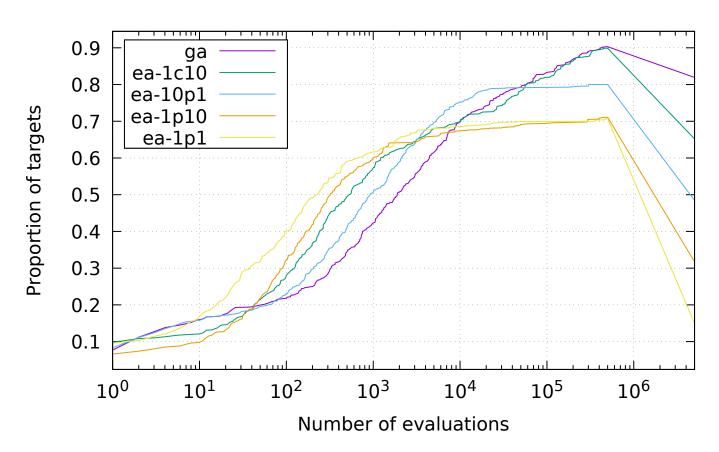


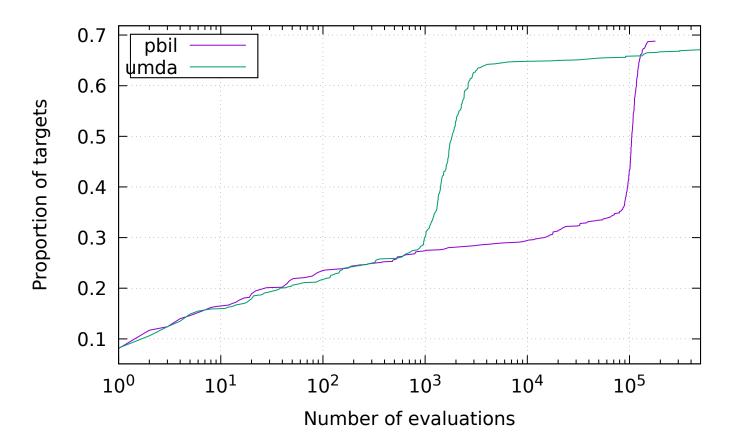
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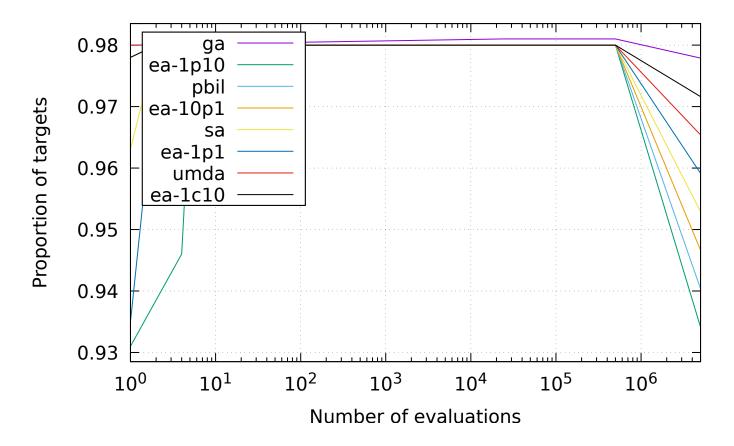


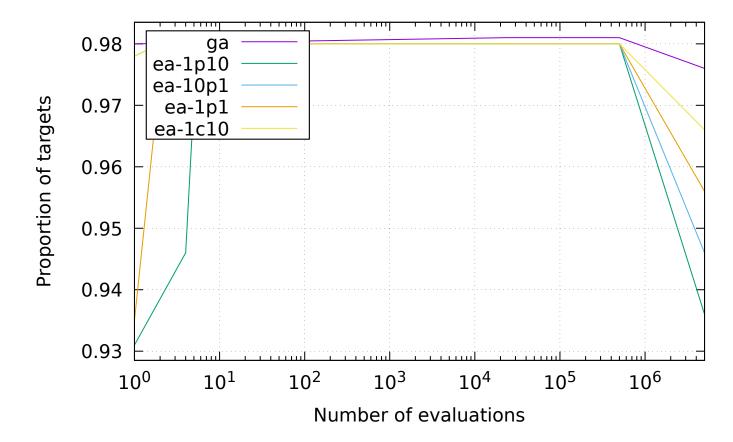
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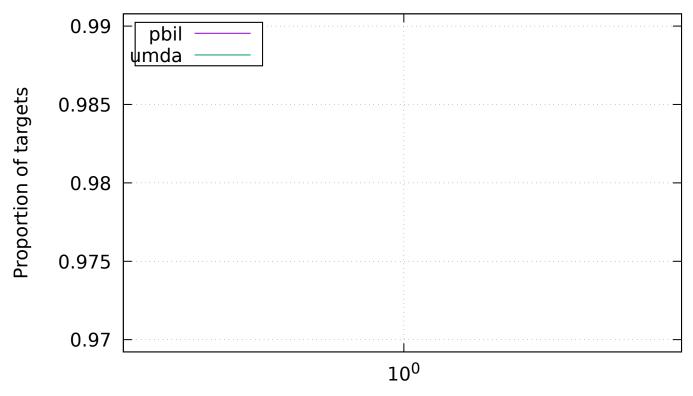


15 Results for ep





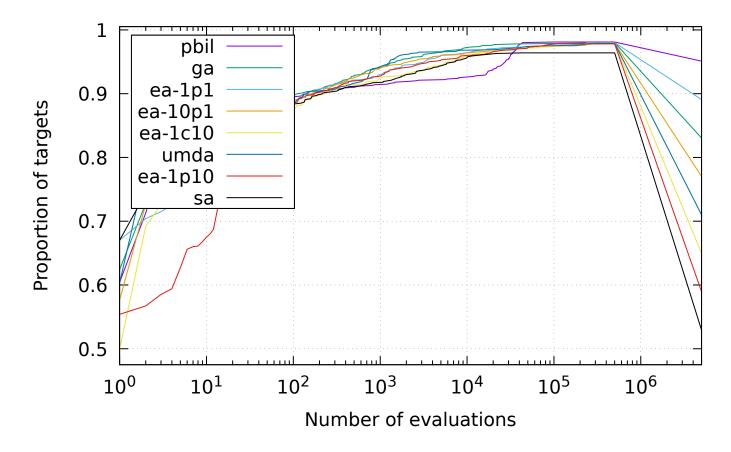
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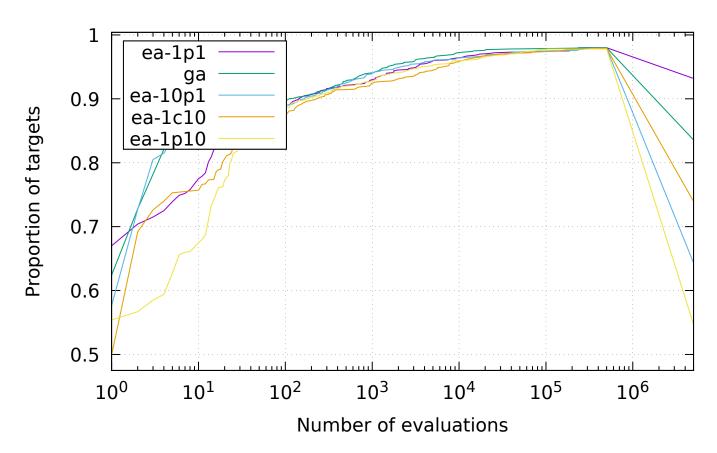
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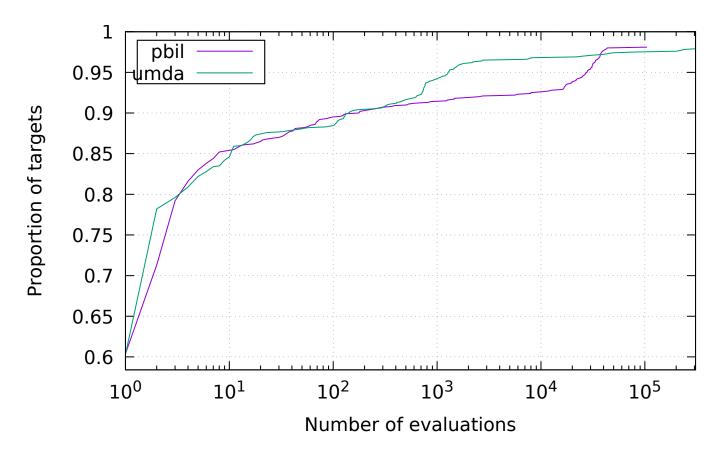
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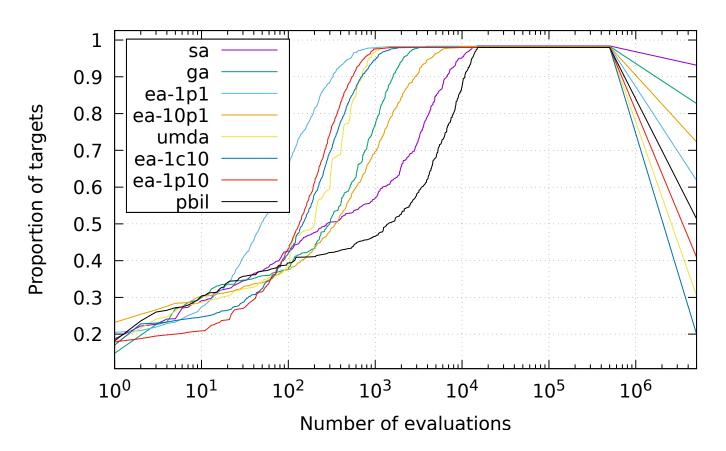


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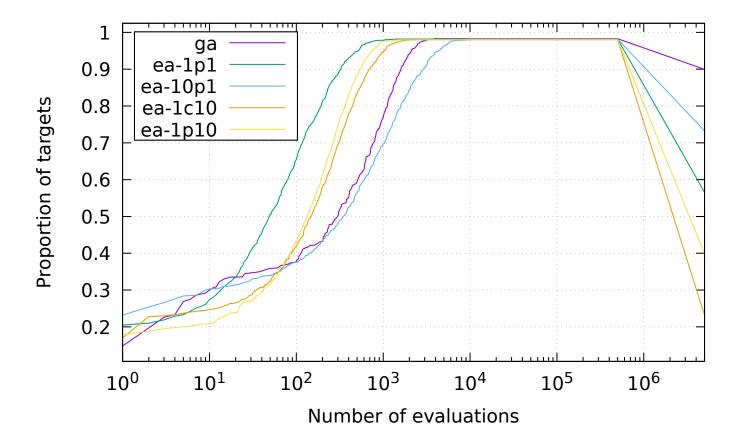




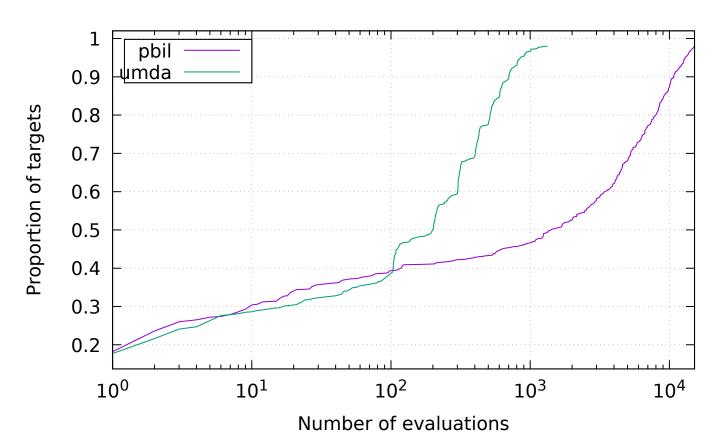
17 Results for trap



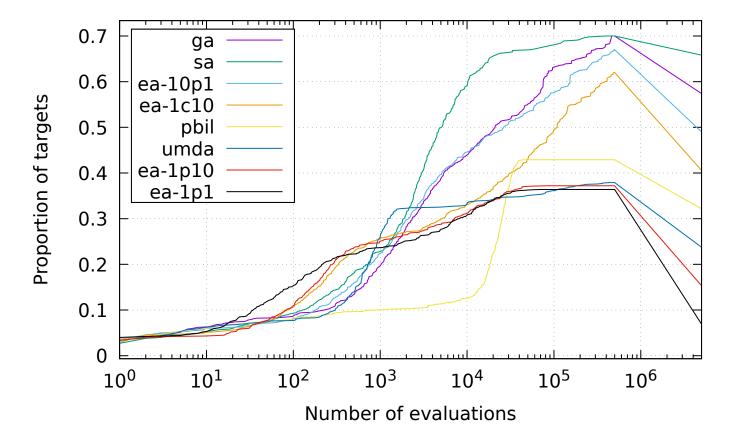
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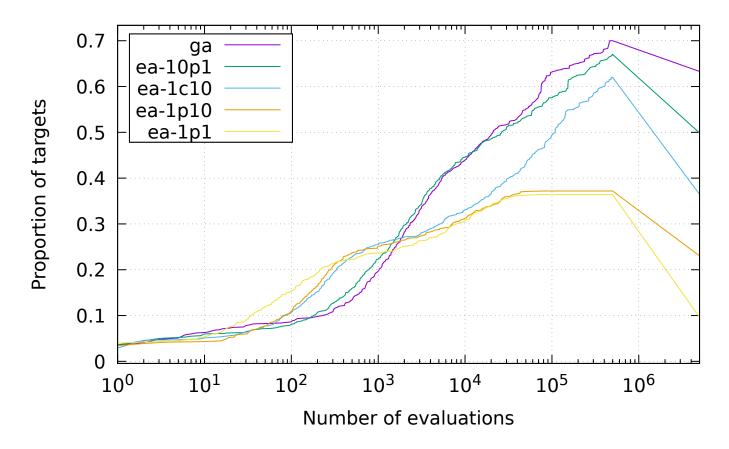


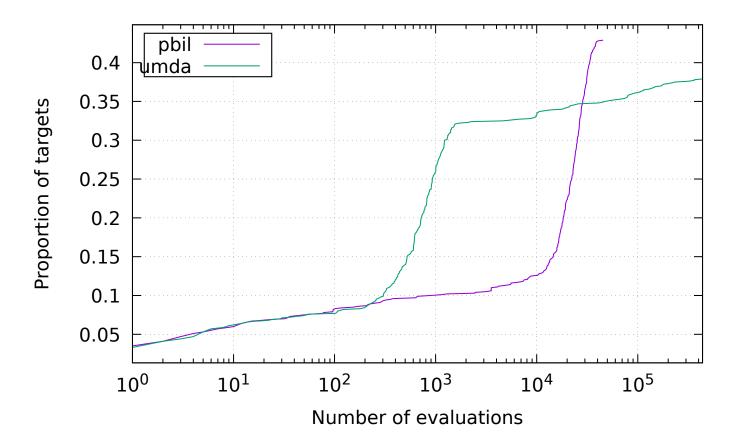
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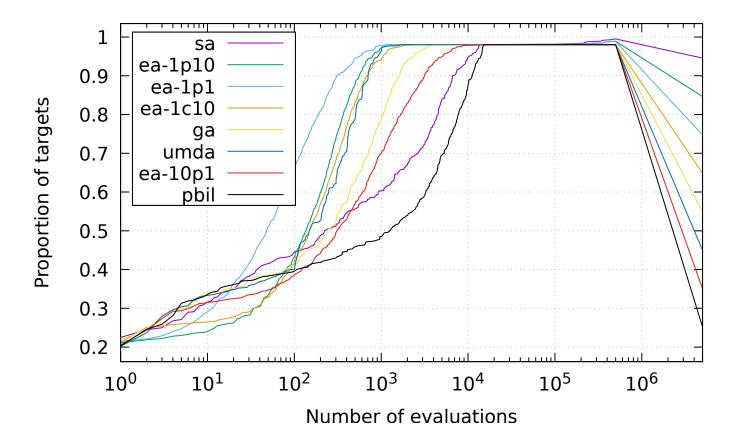
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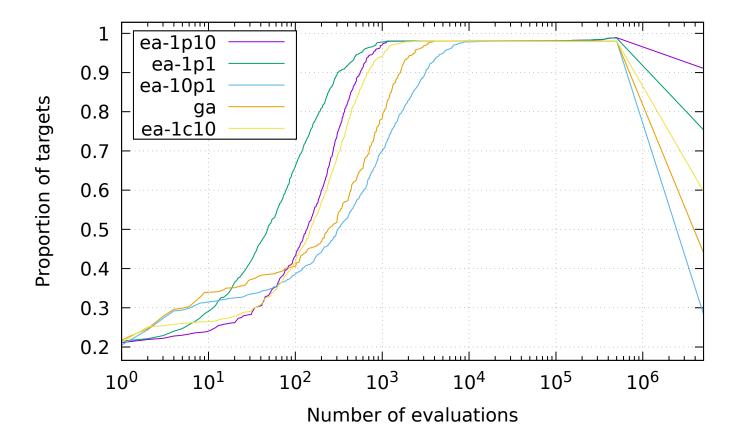




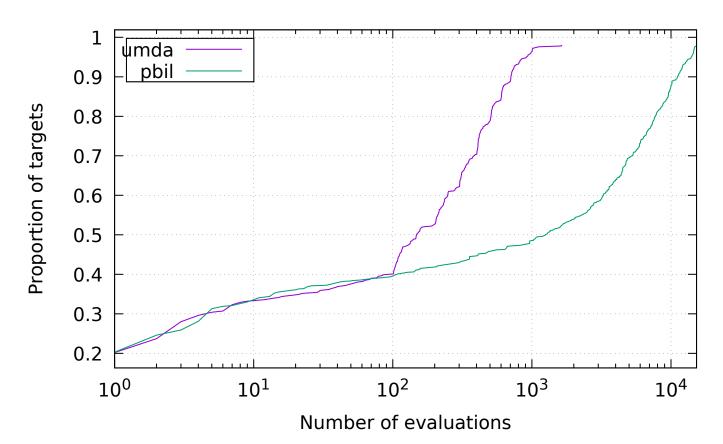
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19.2 Groups

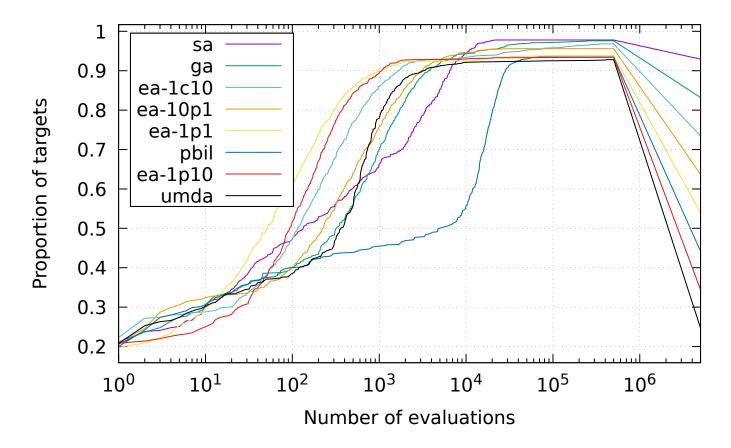


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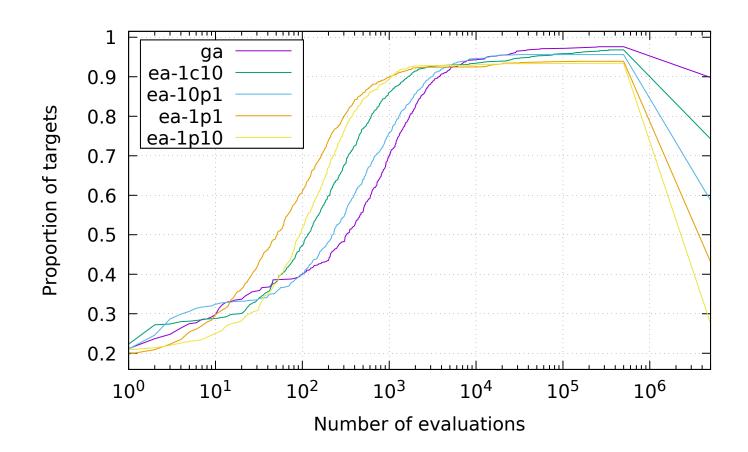
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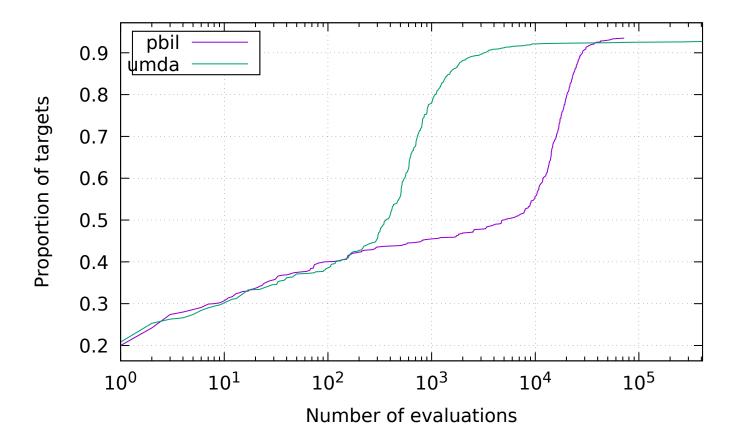


20.2 Groups

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20.2.1





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A Plan

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B Default parameters

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# bm_num_gs_cycles = 1
# bm_num_gs_steps = 100
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}

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# 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
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# hea_num_seq_updates = 100
# hea_reset_period = 0
# hea_sampling_method = 0
# hea_weight = 1
# learning_rate = 0.001
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# map_path = map.txt
# map_ts_length = 10
# map_ts_sampling_mode = 0
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# neighborhood_iterator = 0
# noise_stddev = 1
# num_iterations = 0
# num_threads = 1
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# pn_mutation_rate = 1
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# population_size = 10
# pv_log_num_components = 5
# radius = 2
# results_path = results.json
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# sa_beta_ratio = 1.2
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# 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
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# Generated from hnco.json
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