

**Algorithm 1** BAPSO algorithm

**Input:** The number of genes in the GRN ( $N$ ); the maximum number of iterations of BAPSO ( $maxit$ ); and the size of the swarm in BAPSO ( $ps$ )

**Output:** The weight matrix representing the structure of the inferred network ( $F$ )

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1: for gene  $g = 1$  to  $N$  do
2:   Initialise position vector,  $P^g = [p_i^g]_{1 \times ps}$  randomly
   and velocity vector,  $V^g = [v_i^g]_{1 \times ps}$  to 0.
3:   Each element,  $p_i^g$  (and  $v_i^g$ ) is defined as:
    $p_i^g = [f_{i1}^g, f_{i2}^g, \dots, f_{iN}^g, \delta_i^g, e_i^g, \mu_i^g]$ , where  $N$  is the
   number of genes.
4:   Calculate the fitness,  $er_i^g$ , of each of the particles in
   the swarm using Algorithm 2 and store them in the
   fitness vector,  $E^g \leftarrow [er_i^g]_{1 \times ps}$ .
5:   Store the minimum (best) fitness,
    $fit_{best} \leftarrow \text{minimum}(E^g)$  and its index in  $min$ .
6:   Set personal best solutions,  $PB^g = [pb_i^g]_{1 \times ps} \leftarrow P^g$ 
   and their corresponding fitness,
    $PE^g = [per_i^g]_{1 \times ps} \leftarrow E^g$ .
7:   Calculate the global best solution,  $gb^g \leftarrow pb_{min}^g$ .
8:   for  $iter = 2$  to  $maxit$  do
9:     Update all particle velocities,  $V^g$  using (9).
10:    Update all particle positions,  $P^g$  using (10).
11:    Update the fitness of the swarm,  $E^g$ , using
    Algorithm 2.
12:    Update  $PB^g$ ,  $PE^g$ ,  $gb^g$ ,  $fit_{best}$ , and  $min$  using
    Algorithm 3.
13:  end for
14:  Store  $gb^g$  at the end of  $maxit$  iterations.
15: end for
16: Combine the stored  $gb^g$  (for  $1 \leq g \leq N$ ) to get an
 $N \times (N + 3)$  matrix.
17: Extract the first  $N$  elements from each row to get an
 $N \times N$  matrix,  $[f_{ij}]_{N \times N}$ .
18: Return  $F \leftarrow [f_{ij}]_{N \times N}$ .
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the received waves. In BA, the virtual bats are assumed to possess random flight, and in each generation, some of the bats are randomly designated to perform local search

**Algorithm 2** Fitness calculation of particles, i.e. obtaining the predicted time-series using Half-systems.

**Input:** The time-series gene expression dataset ( $X$ ); the gene being considered ( $g$ ); and the particle positions ( $P^g$ )

**Output:** Fitness of the swarm ( $E^g$ )

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1: Extract number of genes,  $N$ , from  $X$ .
2: Extract number of timepoints,  $tp$ , from  $X$ .
3: Extract population size,  $ps$ , from  $P^g$ .
4: for  $i = 1$  to  $ps$  do
5:   Extract  $[f_{ij}^g]_{1 \times N}$ ,  $\delta_i^g$ ,  $e_i^g$ ,  $\mu_i^g$  from  $p_i^g$ .
6:   for  $t = 2$  to  $tp$  do
7:     Calculate the predicted expression level,  $\hat{x}_i^g(t)$  of
     gene  $g$  from the original expression level at the
     previous timepoint, i.e.  $x_i^g(t-1)$  using (6).
8:   end for
9:   Calculate the fitness of particle  $p_i^g$  and store it in  $er_i^g$ 
   using (11).
10: end for
11: Return  $E^g \leftarrow [er_i^g]_{1 \times ps}$ .
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**Algorithm 3** Updating personal and global best solutions in BAPSO.

**Input:** The particle positions ( $P^g$ ); the personal best solutions ( $PB^g$ ), and their fitness ( $PE^g$ ); the global best solution ( $gb^g$ ), its fitness value ( $fit_{best}$ ), and index ( $min$ ); and the fitness vector ( $E^g$ )

**Output:** Updated  $PB^g$ ;  $PE^g$ ;  $gb^g$ ;  $fit_{best}$ ; and  $min$

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1: Extract population size,  $ps$  from  $P^g$ .
2: for  $i = 1$  to  $ps$  do
3:   if  $er_i^g < per_i^g$  then  $\triangleright$  update the personal best solutions
4:      $per_i^g \leftarrow er_i^g$   $\triangleright$  where  $er_i^g \in E^g$  and  $per_i^g \in PE^g$ 
5:      $pb_i^g \leftarrow p_i^g$   $\triangleright$  where  $pb_i^g \in PB^g$  and  $p_i^g \in P^g$ 
6:   end if
7:   if  $er_i^g < fit_{best}$  then  $\triangleright$  update the global best solution
8:      $fit_{best} \leftarrow er_i^g$   $\triangleright$  where  $er_i^g \in E^g$ 
9:      $gb^g \leftarrow p_i^g$   $\triangleright$  where  $p_i^g \in P^g$ 
10:     $min \leftarrow i$ 
11:   end if
12: end for
13: Return updated  $PB^g$ ,  $PE^g$ ,  $gb^g$ ,  $fit_{best}$ , and  $min$ .
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