

Generational Genetic Algorithm

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This application demonstrates genetic algorithms by generating 6 random “people” with 8 bit and creating new generations of their “offspring”.

- 1) We initialize a 1st generation by randomly generating 6 numbers between 0 and 254.
- 2) We converted those numbers to 8 bit decimals to represent chromosomes (person)
- 3) For each “person”, we calculated the fitness of their chromosomes to weight against the other people
- 4) A “roulette” function is called to calculate the individuals chances of being chosen for mating.
- 5) 6 people with repetition are selected to be paired with each other, to make 3 couples.
- 6) Each couple will create two new chromosomes based on cross over odds and mutation odds.
 - a. If the odds are in favour of cross over, the new chromosome takes the father’s 4 bits on the left and the mother’s 4 bits on the right.
 - b. The children are assigned genders at random and given a traditional first name for that gender.
 - c. The childrens’ last name becomes same last name as the father position
 - d. If the odds are for mutation, one random bit in the child’s chromosome is switched to it’s opposite value.
- 7) The next generation is filled with the children of the previous generation.
- 8) You can adjust how many generations to make by adjusting the GENERATIONS constant in the app.py file.
- 9) The app will create a new output to a csv file everytime you run it. The filenames are unique and based on datetime.now() and my credentials.