Report for Final Project

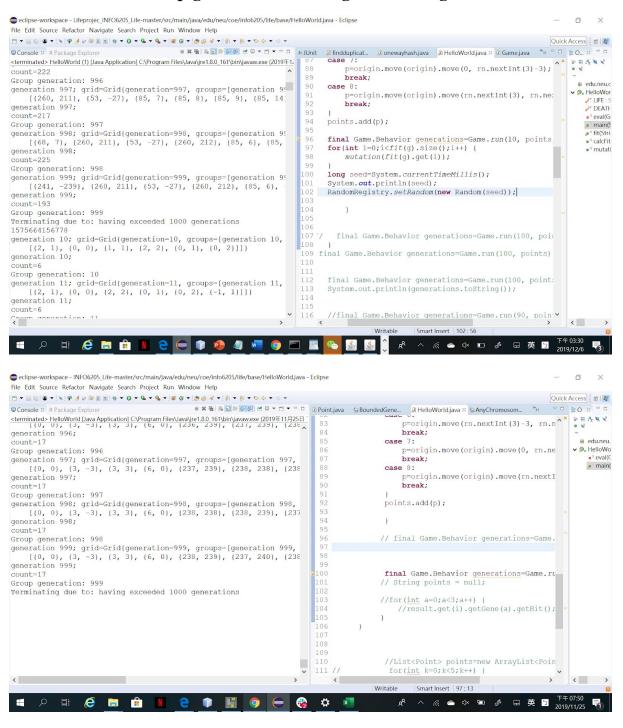
Purpose

- 1.) Be able to try to optimize the specific biological engineering.
- 2.)Conducting Genetic Algorithm for Conway Life Game by using Jenetics in Java.
- 2.)Observing the patterns see how it change the generation rate and growth rate.
- 4.)To implement different algorithm increase the diversity of gene.

Implementation Details

- 1.) Firstly generate the chromosome using genotype. (We decided to use three chromosomes at a time to, 3 group to increase the possibility of productive offsprings)
- 2.) Designing our fitting algorithm, we use calFitness() function to calculate bit 1 in each gene, we pick the gene with most 1 as our gene to pass down to next generation. Fit() function we choose half of our best gene to be passed down as we regard that will be sufficient to increase the variety of next generation better.
- 3.)We use first 3 bits to decide the directions and distance of movement of each gene, turns out pretty well.(They go far at the end)
- 4.) After the first generation is produced and put to run() function, we design a mutation() function to mutate the immediately and mutate the whole chromosome using our Fit() function.

5.) It turns out to work well. However, i also observe that running to above 1000 or 10,000 are not always the cases. We also have some results that stop generate before it get to 1000 generation.



Problem

Our numbers of counts maintained at about hundreds. We assumed it would be higher.

Also, we tried to optimize the code to allow the numbers keep alter, we tried not to let our gene move in a stable pattern, but we failed to achieve that. About 2000, the generation will stay stable and the points on matrix rotate in a same pattern.

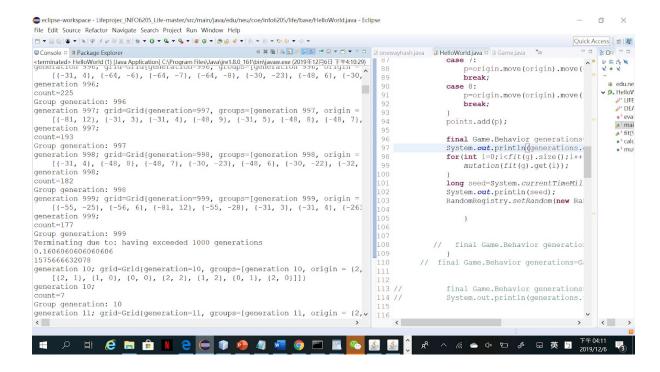
Findings

We did a customized mutation function instead of using bits in genes itself, and it turns out works. We found out that if we choose to pass down half of chromosome instead of just first one or two or three. The diversity of points will be higher, telling from the count of points on about 1000 generations.

Results

Our GA code do have chances successfully generated 1000 above generations, and had a roughly 0.233 growth rate which is in expectation range. In the case that we increase our max generation to 10,000, our count on generations will keep at 100~200 on average and have an average growth rate between 0.1~0.2, usually if we hit 1000, it should maintain above 1.5. if we hit 10,000 then growth rate maintain above 1.0.

Conclusions



It has been a great chance to observe our own algorithm in a direct way. To ge gene and change them is not the most difficult, but to design a best algorithm to select best gene and best way to mutate it to increase the possibility of surviving the the gene. It is not easy but we also got to fix and optimize our thoughts and cod in a big way.