Prerequisites:
Ubuntu
XFdtd
AraSim (and all AraSim prerequisites)

OSU GENETIS Antenna Evolutionary Loop:

Installation:

- 1. Unzip the package current_antenna_evo_build.zip. Inside, move the directory XF_Loop to the desired location.
- 2. Compile the .cpp files located in XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop and XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop/data as .exe files. All .cpp files must be compiled using C++11 libraries. The compiled files should be: gensData.exe, roulette_algorithm.exe in the main directory, and fitnessFunction.exe. Please note that either fitnessFunction_ARA.cpp or fitnessFunction_XF.cpp should be compiled to fitnessFunction.exe, not both. The fitness function appended with _ARA is in the case that you are running loops using AraSim; the function appended XF should only be used if AraSim is not being used.
- 3. Edit XF_Loop.sh, located in XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop. At the top of the file various variables are defined; the two that must be changed between every local installation are XFexec and AraSimExec. Change these to the file path where XFdtd and AraSim are installed on your machine.
- 4. Edit simulationPECmacroskeleton.txt, located in XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop/data. At the top of the file, the path to XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop/ must be adjusted for every local installation.
- 5. The antenna loop should now be correctly installed. Customization can now be done a variety of options are available, but require changes to multiple programs. Remember to recompile any .cpp files that are updated.
 - a. Change population sizes. In order to do this, the variable NPOP must be adjusted across each of these files – roulette_algorithm.cpp, fitnessFunction.cpp, simulationPECmacroskeleton.txt, XFintoARA.py, and XF_Loop.sh.
 - b. Change number of generations to run for. This can be changed in XF_Loop.sh, by editing the variable TotalGens in the header.
 - c. Change initial seeding or mutability. This can be changed simply by editing roulette_algorithm.cpp. Simply adjust the mutability factors or the initial mean and standard deviation for each gene in the global variables declared in the header.
 - d. Change frequencies. This can be changed in roulette_algorithm.cpp by adjusting the frequency minimum, maximum, and step defined in the global variables declared in the header. If changing the number of frequencies, adjustments also need to be made to simulationPECmacroskeleton.txt (variable freqCoefficients) and XFintoARA.py (variable frequency_number). Please note that the current build of AraSim will crash for anything other than the default number of frequencies and step size.

Execution:

- 1. Using the Ubuntu terminal, navigate to ~/XF_Loop/Evolutionary_Loop.
- 2. Execute the shell script using the command ./XF_Loop.sh
- 3. When prompted, press enter.
- 4. Import the relevant scripts into the XF project from ~XF_Loop/xmacros
- 5. Execute the macro simulation_PEC.
- 6. When the simulations are all finished executing, execute the macro output.
- 7. Close XF, and return to the Ubuntu terminal. Press enter when prompted.
- 8. The loop should repeat. This will continue for a set number of generations.