

# Assignment 2: Bin Packing using GA

## What fitness functions I implemented

Absolute value (p1 metric)

```
def fitness_abs(ind, weights):
    bw = bin_weights(weights, ind)
    mu = sum(bw) / K
    fitness = 1 / (np.sum(np.abs(np.array(bw) - mu)) + 1)
    return utils.FitObjPair(fitness=fitness, objective=max(bw) - min(bw))
```

Euclid distance (p2 metric)

```
def fitness_pow2(ind, weights):
    bw = bin_weights(weights, ind)
    mu = sum(bw) / K
    fitness = 1 / (np.sum(np.pow(np.abs(np.array(bw) - mu), 2))) + 1)
    return utils.FitObjPair(fitness=fitness, objective=max(bw) - min(bw))
```

sqrt distance ( $p_{1/2}$  metric)

```
def fitness_root(ind, weights):
    bw = bin_weights(weights, ind)
    mu = sum(bw) / K
    fitness = 1 / (np.sum(np.sqrt(np.abs(np.array(bw) - mu))) + 1)
    return utils.FitObjPair(fitness=fitness, objective=max(bw) - min(bw))
```

## What I tried

- I used grid search to find optimal parameters
- Grid search was performed with following settings:
  - REPEATS = 50
  - MAX\_GEN = 500
  - POP\_SIZE = 1000
- These were parameters on the grid:

```
# Options
variants = {
    "fitness" : [fitness_minmax, fitness_abs, fitness_root, fitness_pow2],
    "cross_prob": [0.2, 0.5, 0.8], # crossover prob
    "mut_prob": [0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3], # mutation prob
    "mut_fip_prob": [0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3], # prob of flipping during mutation
    "pop_s": [50000] # population size
}

# Create grid
varNames = sorted(variants)
experiments = [dict(zip(varNames, prod)) for prod in it.product(*(variants[varName] for varName in varNames))]

# Train
for experiment in experiments:
    ...
    ...
```

## Best Result: 37

- When grid search finished, I used the best found parameters and run GA with greater population
- Settings:
  - REPEATS = 100
  - MAX\_GEN = 600
  - POP\_SIZE = 50,000
- These were the best params found by grid search:
  - fitness = fitness\_abs (p1 metric)
  - cross\_prob = 0.2
  - mut\_prob = 0.3
  - mut\_fip\_prob = 0.01
  - population\_size = 10,000
  - generations = 500 (converged to best value after 329 generations)
- **Best Result**
  - **Objective value (max-min): 37**
  - after 329 generations

## Figure

- I include single figure
- It includes few runs from the grid search:
  - default settings
  - best found settings
  - all implemented fitness functions with otherwise default settings
- We can see, that much lower cross probability
  - significantly improves of convergence
  - significantly reduces variance of results
- legend is in the format fitness::cross\_prob::mut\_prob::mut\_fip\_prob::population\_size

