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Chicken Swarm Optimization

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6.1 Introduction

Chicken Swarm Optimization (CSO) was introduced in [1] and its main inspiration is represented by the behavior of chicken swarms, in particular the behavior of hens, chicks and roosters, and by the hierarchical order of the chicken swarms. The CSO algorithm can be applied in various optimization problems in which the solutions have a fitness function and they can be represented in a D -dimensional space. The solutions are represented by chickens and each chicken has a position and a fitness value. The chicken with the best fitness value represents the best solution. CSO identifies three types of chickens: roosters, hens and chicks. The mathematical version of CSO respects four rules which are briefly presented next and described in more detail in the next section of the chapter: (1) a chicken swarm has several groups, (2) the types of the chickens depend on the fitness values of the chickens, (3) the

statuses in each group are updated every G time steps and (4) the chickens update their positions in each time step respecting rules which are inspired from the searching for food behavior. Several modifications of the CSO algorithm are Binary Chicken Swarm Optimization (BCSO) [2], Mutation Chicken Swarm Optimization (MCSO) [3] and Chaotic Chicken Swarm Optimization (CCSO) [4]. CSO was also used in combination with other algorithms and two illustrative examples are Bat-Chicken Swarm Optimization (B-CSO) [5] and Cuckoo Search-Chicken Swarm Optimization (CS-CSO) [6]. In literature it was applied for solving various types of optimization problems such as the 0-1 knapsack problem [7], features selection [8], classification problems [9], attitude determination [10], tuning the number of nodes for a deep learning model [11] and constrained optimization problems [12]. The paper is organized as follows: Section 6.2 presents the original CSO algorithm, Section 6.3 presents the source-code of the global version of the CSO algorithm in Matlab, Section 6.4 presents the source-code of the global version of the CSO algorithm in C++, Section 6.5 presents a numerical example of the global version of the CSO algorithm and Section 6.6 presents the main conclusions.

6.2 Original CSO algorithm

6.2.1 Pseudo-code of global version of CSO algorithm

The global version of the CSO algorithm is presented in Algorithm 5 and it is adapted after the one from [1]. The input parameters of the algorithm are: D - the number of dimensions of the search space, N - the number of chickens, RN - the number of roosters, HN - the number of hens, CN - the number of chicks, MN - the number of mother hens, FL - a random number from the interval $[0.5, 0.9]$, G - a number which indicates how often the hierarchy of the swarm is changed, I_{max} - the maximum number of iterations and $[C_{min}, C_{max}]$ - an interval that describes the minimum and the maximum possible values of the positions of the chickens. The output of the algorithm is represented by the global best which is the best position achieved by a chicken so far. The initial population of N chickens C_i with $i = 1, \dots, N$ is created randomly in *step 1* such that each chicken is represented by a D -dimensional vector. In *step 2* of the algorithm are computed the fitness values of all chickens, in *step 3* the $Gbest$ D -dimensional vector is created and in *step 4* the best chicken according to the fitness value is assigned to $Gbest$. Initially the value of t is equal to 0 (step 5). While t is less than a maximum number of iterations I_{max} repeat the following sequence of steps. In *step 7* the condition $(t \text{ modulo } G) == 0$ is verified and if the outcome is positive then in *step 8* the fitness values of the chickens are ranked establishing the hierarchical order of the swarm and in *step 9* the swarm of chickens is divided into several groups and for each group

the relations between the chicks and the associated mother are established. Next for each chicken C_i from the swarm of N chickens the new positions are updated using formulas that are different for each type of chicken (steps 12-20). In *step 21* the value of $C_{i,j}^{t+1}$ is updated if it is not in the interval $[C_{min}, C_{max}]$ as follows: if the value is less than C_{min} then it takes the value C_{min} and if the value is greater than C_{max} then it takes the value C_{max} . The fitness value of the new solution is evaluated in *step 22* and if the new solution is better than the current solution $Gbest$ then the value of $Gbest$ is updated (step 23). In *step 25* the current iteration t is updated using the formula $t = t + 1$ and finally in *step 27* $Gbest$ is returned as the final result of the algorithm.

Algorithm 5 Pseudo-code of the global version of CSO.

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1: create the initial population of chickens  $C_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, N)$  randomly such
   that each chicken is represented by a  $D$ -dimensional vector
2: evaluate the fitness values of all  $N$  chickens
3: create the  $D$ -dimensional vector  $Gbest$ 
4: assign the best chicken  $C_i$  to  $Gbest$ 
5:  $t = 0$ 
6: while  $t < I_{max}$  do
7:   if  $t \bmod G == 0$  then
8:     rank the fitness values of the chickens and establish the hierarchical
     order of the swarm
9:     divide the swarm of chickens into several groups and determine the
     relations between the chicks and the associated mother hens in each group
10:   end if
11:   for  $i = 1 : N$  do
12:     if  $C_i == \text{rooster}$  then
13:        $C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t \times (1 + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2))$ 
14:     end if
15:     if  $C_i == \text{hen}$  then
16:        $C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t + S_1 \times R_1 \times (C_{r_1,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t) + S_2 \times R_2 \times (C_{r_2,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t)$ 
17:     end if
18:     if  $C_i == \text{chick}$  then
19:        $C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t + FL \times (C_{m,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t)$ 
20:     end if
21:     update the value  $C_{i,j}^{t+1}$  if it is not in the interval  $[C_{min}, C_{max}]$ 
22:     evaluate the fitness value of the new solution
23:     if the new solution is better than  $Gbest$  then update  $Gbest$ 
24:   end for
25:    $t = t + 1$ 
26: end while
27: return the  $Gbest$  as a result

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6.2.2 Description of global version of CSO algorithm

This section presents the global version of the CSO algorithm. Initially the following parameters of the algorithm are defined: D , N , RN , HN , CN , MN , FL , G , I_{max} and $[C_{min}, C_{max}]$. The value of FL is usually in the interval $[0.5, 0.9]$ and the value of G is in the interval $[2, 20]$. In [1] the original authors of the algorithm use the following values for the initial parameters of the algorithm: $RN = 0.2 \times N$, $HN = 0.6 \times N$, $CN = N - RN - HN$, $MN = 0.1 \times N$ and $G = 10$. The values of C_{min} and C_{max} are problem dependent. The initial population of chickens C_i with $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ is created randomly and each chicken is described by a D -dimensional vector. For each chicken from the set of N chickens the fitness value is evaluated and the best chicken is assigned to the G_{best} D -dimensional vector. For a number of iterations I_{max} that is given as input a sequence of steps is repeated. If the current iteration is divisible without rest by G then the hierarchy of the swarm of chickens is established considering the fitness values of the chickens and the swarm is then divided into several groups that have a dominant rooster, several hens and chicks. The chickens that have the best RN fitness values are roosters, the chickens with the next best HN fitness values are hens and the remaining CN chickens are chicks. The relations between the chicks and the mother hens are determined for each group considering the fitness values of the chickens. For each chicken C_i from the group of N chickens where $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ the positions in the next iteration of the algorithm are updated considering the type of the chicken.

If the chicken is a rooster then the formula that is used for updating the position is:

$$C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t \times (1 + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)) \quad (6.1)$$

where $t + 1$ is the next iteration, t is the current iteration, j takes values from the set $\{1, \dots, D\}$ and $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ is a Gaussian with standard deviation σ^2 and mean 0. The value of σ^2 is given by the following formula:

$$\sigma^2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } F_i \leq F_k \\ e^{\frac{F_k - F_i}{|F_i| + \epsilon}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (6.2)$$

where ϵ is a small positive constant that is used in order to avoid division by 0, F_i is the fitness value of the i -th chicken and F_k is the fitness value of a rooster that is selected randomly from the group of roosters.

If the chicken is a hen then the formula which is used for updating the position is:

$$C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t + S_1 \times R_1 \times (C_{r_1,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t) + S_2 \times R_2 \times (C_{r_2,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t) \quad (6.3)$$

where R_1 is a random number from $[0, 1]$, R_2 is a random number from $[0, 1]$, r_1 is the index of the rooster which is the hen's mate and r_2 is the index of a rooster or of a hen which is randomly chosen from the swarm such that $r_1 \neq r_2$. The rooster that is a given hen's mate is selected randomly from the set of roosters when the hierarchical order of the swarm is updated.

The formulas for S_1 and S_2 are the following:

$$S_1 = e^{\frac{F_i - F_{r_1}}{|F_i| + \epsilon}} \quad (6.4)$$

$$S_2 = e^{(F_{r_2} - F_i)} \quad (6.5)$$

where F_i is the fitness value of the chicken C_i , F_{r_1} is the fitness value of the rooster r_1 and F_{r_2} is the fitness value of the rooster r_2 .

If the chicken is a chick then the formula that is used for updating the position is:

$$C_{i,j}^{t+1} = C_{i,j}^t + FL \times (C_{m,j}^t - C_{i,j}^t) \quad (6.6)$$

where m is the mother of the i -th chicken. We decided that m is the mother of the i -th chicken when we updated the hierarchy of the swarm.

6.3 Source-code of global version of CSO algorithm in Matlab

[Listing 6.1](#) presents the source-code of the objective function that is optimized by the CSO algorithm. In the function $OF(x, D)$ the input parameter x is the vector of decision variables, and D is the number of dimensions. The objective function is given by formula 6.7.

$$OF(x, D) = \sum_{i=1}^D x_i^2 \quad \text{where } -5.12 \leq x_i \leq 5.12 \quad (6.7)$$

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1 function [y]=OF(x,D)
2 y=0;
3 for i=1:D
4 y=y+x(1,i)*x(1,i);
5 end
6 end

```

Listing 6.1

Definition of objective function $OF(x, D)$ in Matlab.

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1 D=5; N=10; G=10; FL_MIN=0.5; FL_MAX=0.9; e=10^(-9); RP=20;
2 HP=60; MAX=30; TheBest=1; Cmin=zeros(1,D); Cmax=zeros(1,D);
3 cType=zeros(1,N); cPositionInSwarm=zeros(1,N); C=zeros(N,D);
4 E=zeros(1,N); Gbest=zeros(1,D); Cmin(1,:)= -5.12; Cmax(1,:)= 5.12;
5 nRoosters=round((N*RP)/100); nHens=round((N*HP)/100);
6 hens=zeros(1,nHens); nChicks=N-nRoosters-nHens;
7 chicks=zeros(1,nChicks); roosters=zeros(1,nRoosters);
8 cPositionInSwarm(1,:)=linspace(1,N,N);
9 hRoosterRelation=zeros(1,N); cHenRelation=zeros(1,N);
10 for i=1:N
11     for j=1:D
12         C(i,j)=(Cmax(1,j)-Cmin(1,j))*rand()+Cmin(1,j);
13     end
14     E(1,i)=OF(C(i,:),D);

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15  if E(1,i)<E(1,TheBest)
16      TheBest=i;
17  end
18 end
19 Gbest(1,:)=C(TheBest,:); EGbest=E(1,TheBest);
20 t=0;
21 while(t<=MAX)
22     if mod(t,G)==0
23         f_values=E(1,:);
24         cType(1,:)=0;
25         f_values=sort(f_values);
26         t_roosters=f_values(1,nRoosters);
27         t_hens=f_values(1,nRoosters+nHens);
28         rIndex=1; hIndex=1; cIndex=1;
29         for i=1:N
30             if E(1,i)<=t_roosters
31                 cType(1,i)=2; roosters(1,rIndex)=i;
32                 if rIndex>nRoosters
33                     break;
34                 end
35                 rIndex=rIndex+1;
36             end
37         end
38         for i=1:N
39             if E(1,i)<=t_hens && cType(1,i)~=2
40                 cType(1,i)=1; hens(1,hIndex)=i;
41                 if hIndex>nHens
42                     break;
43                 end
44                 hIndex=hIndex+1;
45             end
46         end
47         for i=1:N
48             if cType(1,i)==0
49                 chicks(1,cIndex)=i;
50                 cIndex=cIndex+1;
51             end
52         end
53         for i=1:nHens
54             hIndex=hens(1,i);
55             r=randi(nRoosters); rIndex=roosters(1,r);
56             hRoosterRelation(1,hIndex)=rIndex;
57         end
58         for i=1:nChicks
59             cIndex=chicks(1,i);
60             hen=randi(nHens); hIndex=hens(1,hen);
61             cHenRelation(1,cIndex)=hIndex;
62         end
63     end
64     for i=1:N
65         for j=1:D
66             if cType(1,i)==2
67                 sigma_squared=1; k=randi(nRoosters);
68                 if E(1,k)<E(1,i)
69                     sigma_squared=exp((E(1,k) - E(1,i))/(abs(E(1,i)) + e));
70                 end
71                 C(i,j)=C(i,j)*(1+sigma_squared*randn());
72             elseif cType(1,i)==1
73                 r1=hRoosterRelation(1,i); r2=r1;
74                 while (r2~=r1)
75                     type=randi(2);
76                     if type==0
77                         r2=roosters(1,randi(nRoosters));
78                     else
79                         r2=hens(randi(nHens));
80                     end
81                 end

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82     s1=exp((E(1,i) - E(1,r1))/(abs(E(1,i)) + e));
83     s2=exp(E(1,r2) - E(1,i));
84     C(i,j)=C(i,j)+s1*rand()*(C(r1,j)-C(i,j))
85     +rand()*s2*(C(r2,j)-C(i,j));
86   else
87     m=cHenRelation(1,i);
88     C(i,j)=C(i,j)+(FL_MIN+rand()
89     *(FL_MAX-FL_MIN))*(C(m,j)-C(i,j));
90   end
91   if C(i,j) < Cmin(1,j)
92     C(i,j) = Cmin(1,j);
93   end
94   if C(i,j) > Cmax(1,j)
95     C(i,j) = Cmax(1,j);
96   end
97 end
98 end
99 TheBest=1;
100 for i=1:N
101   E(1,i)=OF(C(i,:),D);
102   if E(1,i)<E(1,TheBest)
103     TheBest=i;
104   end
105 end
106 if E(1,TheBest)<EGbest
107   EGbest=E(1,TheBest);
108   Gbest(1,:)=C(TheBest,:);
109 end
110 t=t+1;
111 end
112 disp('FINAL RESULT'); disp(Gbest(1,:)); disp(EGbest);

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Listing 6.2

Source-code of the global version of CSO in Matlab.

6.4 Source-code of global version of CSO algorithm in C++

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1 #include <iostream>
2 #include <cstdlib>
3 #include <ctime>
4 #include <string>
5 #include <bits/stdc++.h>
6 #include <math.h>
7 using namespace std;
8 float OF(float x[], int size_array) {
9     float t = 0;
10    for(int i = 0; i < size_array; i++) t = t + x[i] * x[i];
11    return t;
12 }
13 float r() {return (float)(rand()%1000)/1000;}
14 double rand(double min, double max) {
15     return min + (double) rand() / RAND_MAX * (max - min);
16 }
17 int main() {
18     srand(time(NULL));
19     int D = 5; int N = 10; int G = 10; double FL_MIN = 0.5;
20     double FL_MAX = 0.9; double e = 0.000000001; int RP = 20;
21     int HP = 60; float Cmin[D]; float Cmax[D]; int TheBest = 0;

```

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22 int MAX = 30; int cType[N]; int cPositionInSwarm[N];
23 for(int i = 0; i < D; i++) {Cmin[i] = -5.12; Cmax[i] = 5.12;}
24 float C[N][D]; float E[N]; float Gbest[D]; float EGbest;
25 int nRoosters = (N * RP) / 100; int nHens = (N * HP) / 100;
26 int hens[nHens]; int nChicks = N - nRoosters - nHens;
27 int chicks[nChicks]; int roosters[nRoosters];
28 unordered_map<int, int> hRoosterRelation;
29 unordered_map<int, int> cHenRelation;
30 for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) cPositionInSwarm[i] = i;
31 for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
32     for(int j = 0; j < D; j++)
33         C[i][j] = (Cmax[j] - Cmin[j]) * r() + Cmin[j];
34     E[i] = OF(C[i], D); if(E[i] < E[TheBest]) TheBest = i;
35 }
36 for(int j = 0; j < D; j++) Gbest[j] = C[TheBest][j];
37 EGbest = E[TheBest]; int t = 0;
38 while(t < MAX) {
39     if(t % G == 0) {
40         vector<double> f_values;
41         for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) f_values.push_back(E[i]);
42         for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) cType[i] = 0;
43         sort(f_values.begin(), f_values.end());
44         double t_roosters = f_values[nRoosters - 1];
45         double t_hens = f_values[nRoosters + nHens - 1];
46         int rIndex = 0; int hIndex = 0; int cIndex = 0;
47         for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
48             if(E[i] <= t_roosters) {
49                 cType[i] = 2; roosters[rIndex++] = i;
50                 if(rIndex >= nRoosters) break;
51             }
52         }
53         for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
54             if(E[i] <= t_hens && cType[i] != 2) {
55                 cType[i] = 1; hens[hIndex++] = i;
56                 if(hIndex >= nHens) break;
57             }
58         }
59         for(int i = 0; i < N; i++)
60             if(cType[i] == 0) chicks[cIndex++] = i;
61         for(int i = 0; i < nHens; i++) {
62             int hIndex = hens[i]; int r = rand() % nRoosters;
63             int rIndex = roosters[r];
64             hRoosterRelation[hIndex] = rIndex;
65         }
66         for(int i = 0; i < nChicks; i++) {
67             int cIndex = chicks[i]; int hen = rand() % nHens;
68             int hIndex = hens[hen]; cHenRelation[cIndex] = hIndex;
69         }
70     }
71     for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
72         for(int j = 0; j < D; j++) {
73             if (cType[i] == 2) {
74                 double sigma_squared = 1; int k = rand() % nRoosters;
75                 if(E[k] < E[i])
76                     sigma_squared = exp((E[k] - E[i]) / (abs(E[i]) + e));
77                 default_random_engine generator;
78                 normal_distribution<double> d(0, sigma_squared);
79                 C[i][j] = C[i][j] * (1 + d(generator));
80             } else if (cType[i] == 1) {
81                 int r1 = hRoosterRelation[i]; int r2 = r1;
82                 while(r2 != r1) {
83                     int type = rand() % 2;
84                     if(type == 0) {r2 = roosters[rand() % nRoosters];}
85                     else {r2 = hens[rand() % nHens];}
86                 }
87                 double s1 = exp((E[i] - E[r1]) / (abs(E[i]) + e));
88                 double s2 = exp(E[r2] - E[i]);

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89         C[i][j] = C[i][j] + s1 * rand(0, 1) * (C[r1][j]
90         - C[i][j]) + rand(0, 1) * s2 * (C[r2][j] - C[i][j]);
91     } else {
92         int m = cHenRelation[i];
93         C[i][j] = C[i][j] + rand(FL_MIN, FL_MAX)
94         * (C[m][j] - C[i][j]);
95     }
96     if(C[i][j] < Cmin[j]) C[i][j] = Cmin[j];
97     if(C[i][j] > Cmax[j]) C[i][j] = Cmax[j];
98 }
99 }
100 TheBest = 0;
101 for(int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
102     E[i] = OF(C[i], D);
103     TheBest = (E[i] < E[TheBest]) ? i : TheBest;
104 }
105 if(E[TheBest] < EGbest) {
106     EGbest = E[TheBest];
107     for(int j = 0; j < D; j++) Gbest[j] = C[TheBest][j];
108 }
109 t = t + 1;
110 }
111 cout << EGbest << endl; return 0;
112 }

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Listing 6.3

Source-code of the global version of CSO in C++.

6.5 Step-by-step numerical example of global version of CSO algorithm

In the first step, we assume that we want to minimize the objective function $OF(x, D)$ given by equation 6.7 where the number of dimensions D is equal to 5. For simplicity in this step-by-step numerical example we consider that $OF(C) = OF(C, D) = OF(C, 5)$ where C is an array that describes the position of a chicken.

In the second step, we initialize the parameters of CSO such that the number of chickens N is equal to 10, the swarm of chickens updates the hierarchy every $G = 10$ iterations, $FL = [0.5, 0.9]$, $\epsilon = 10^{-9}$, the roosters percent is 20%, the hens percent is 60%, the maximum number of iterations is 30, $C_{min} = -5.12$ and $C_{max} = 5.12$.

In the third step, the chicken swarm that consists of 10 chickens is randomly created and each chicken is represented by a 5-dimensional vector that describes the position of the chicken.

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 &= \{-4.700, -0.337, -1.699, 0, -3.389\} \\
 C_2 &= \{2.293, -0.225, -1.454, 4.730, -0.368\} \\
 C_3 &= \{2.099, -3.635, -2.242, 3.348, 4.720\} \\
 C_4 &= \{-0.092, 5.068, 4.526, 3.348, -0.655\} \\
 C_5 &= \{-1.116, 1.064, 4.116, -3.553, -2.129\} \\
 C_6 &= \{-1.208, -0.808, 2.211, 2.232, 4.044\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
C_7 &= \{-0.542, 2.314, 2.775, 0.389, 3.778\} \\
C_8 &= \{4.218, 1.710, -2.058, -4.761, 4.034\} \\
C_9 &= \{2.078, 3.184, -1.822, -1.710, 1.771\} \\
C_{10} &= \{1.679, -3.676, 2.160, -2.529, 3.768\}
\end{aligned}$$

In the fourth step, the 5-dimensional $Gbest$ vector is created.

$$Gbest = \{0, 0, 0, 0, 0\}$$

In the fifth step, we evaluate each chicken C_i using the objective function $OF(\cdot)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
E_1 &= OF(C_1) = 36.583, E_2 = OF(C_2) = 29.943, \\
E_3 &= OF(C_3) = 56.147, E_4 = OF(C_4) = 57.828, \\
E_5 &= OF(C_5) = 36.487, E_6 = OF(C_6) = 28.350, \\
E_7 &= OF(C_7) = 27.780, E_8 = OF(C_8) = 63.910, \\
E_9 &= OF(C_9) = 23.848, E_{10} = OF(C_{10}) = 41.600
\end{aligned}$$

In the sixth step, we consider the best chicken C_i which has the smallest value for the objective function because the goal of the algorithm is to minimize the value of $OF(\cdot)$ and we assign the vector that represents the chicken with the smallest $OF(\cdot)$ value to $Gbest$. The best chicken is C_9 and thus $Gbest = \{2.078, 3.184, -1.822, -1.710, 1.771\}$ and $OF(Gbest) = 23.848$.

In the seventh step of the algorithm, the main loop is started. We check whether the current iteration is less than $I_{max} = 30$ and if that condition is true the algorithm jumps to the final step, otherwise the algorithm continues with the eighth step.

In the eighth step of the algorithm, we check whether the value of the current iteration is divisible without rest by $G = 10$ and if that condition is true then the algorithm updates the hierarchy of the chicken swarm, otherwise the algorithm continues with the ninth step.

Chicken swarm hierarchy update

In the first substep, the chickens are sorted according to their fitness value and the best $20\% \times 10 = 2$ chickens are considered roosters, the next best $60\% \times 10 = 6$ chickens are considered hens and the rest of the chickens are considered chicks.

$$\begin{aligned}
TypeOf(C_1) &= Hen, TypeOf(C_2) = Hen, \\
TypeOf(C_3) &= Hen, TypeOf(C_4) = Chick, \\
TypeOf(C_5) &= Hen, TypeOf(C_6) = Hen, \\
TypeOf(C_7) &= Rooster, TypeOf(C_8) = Chick, \\
TypeOf(C_9) &= Rooster, TypeOf(C_{10}) = Hen
\end{aligned}$$

In the second substep, each hen is associated with a rooster randomly and that rooster is considered the head of the group the hen belongs to.

$$\begin{aligned} RoosterOf(C_1) &= C_9, RoosterOf(C_2) = C_7, \\ RoosterOf(C_3) &= C_7, RoosterOf(C_5) = C_9, \\ RoosterOf(C_6) &= C_9, RoosterOf(C_{10}) = C_9 \end{aligned}$$

In the third substep, each chick is associated with a hen randomly and that hen is considered the mother of the chick.

$$\begin{aligned} HenMotherOf(C_4) &= C_{10} \\ HenMotherOf(C_8) &= C_5 \end{aligned}$$

In the ninth step of the algorithm, each chicken updates its current position considering one of the equations 6.1, 6.3 or 6.6 such that the roosters use the equation 6.1, the hens use the equation 6.3 and the chicks use the equation 6.6. Then we check whether the value of each decision variable is within the range $[C_{min}, C_{max}]$. The new positions of the chickens are:

$$\begin{aligned} C_1 &= \{3.366, 1.537, -1.817, -0.021, -1.372\} \\ C_2 &= \{0.275, 2.273, 0.850, 1.026, 2.125\} \\ C_3 &= \{-1.160, 2.271, 3.869, 0.540, 4.484\} \\ C_4 &= \{1.094, -2.112, 2.854, -1.917, 2.886\} \\ C_5 &= \{0.444, 3.035, 3.582, -2.237, 3.108\} \\ C_6 &= \{2.304, 0.628, 1.835, -0.931, 1.686\} \\ C_7 &= \{-0.476, 2.031, 2.436, 0.341, 3.317\} \\ C_8 &= \{2.097, 2.639, 2.414, -3.090, 3.467\} \\ C_9 &= \{1.825, 2.796, -1.600, -1.501, 1.555\} \\ C_{10} &= \{1.706, 4.601, -0.818, -1.858, 0.549\} \end{aligned}$$

In the tenth step of the algorithm, we compute the new fitness values of the chickens.

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= OF(C_1) = 18.886, E_2 = OF(C_2) = 11.536, \\ E_3 &= OF(C_3) = 41.880, E_4 = OF(C_4) = 25.815, \\ E_5 &= OF(C_5) = 36.916, E_6 = OF(C_6) = 12.786, \\ E_7 &= OF(C_7) = 21.416, E_8 = OF(C_8) = 38.768, \\ E_9 &= OF(C_9) = 18.385, E_{10} = OF(C_{10}) = 28.513 \end{aligned}$$

In the eleventh step of the algorithm, we update the value of $Gbest$ if the algorithm finds a better value. Then we return to the seventh step of the algorithm.

$$\begin{aligned} Gbest &= \{0.275, 2.273, 0.850, 1.026, 2.125\} \\ OF(Gbest) &= 11.536 \end{aligned}$$

In the twelfth step the algorithm returns $Gbest$ as the final result. After 30 iterations the value of $Gbest$ is $\{0.043, 0.064, -0.038, -0.036, 0.035\}$ and the value of $OF(Gbest)$ is 0.010.

6.6 Conclusions

This chapter presented the main principles of the Chicken Swarm Optimization algorithm. We presented the pseudo code of the algorithm, the source code in Matlab and the source code in C++. In addition we showed how this algorithm works in the global version providing a step-by-step numerical example. We believe that this chapter will facilitate the development of other versions of the algorithm in other programming languages.

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