

Travailing Salesmen problem(TSP) solving by genetic algorithm(GA).  
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### Usage

limited for ten cities only since this competition required us to solve a ten cities TSP problem. In order to run the simplePlot.py you need to install *numpy* and *matplotlib.pyplot*.

#### Bash command lines

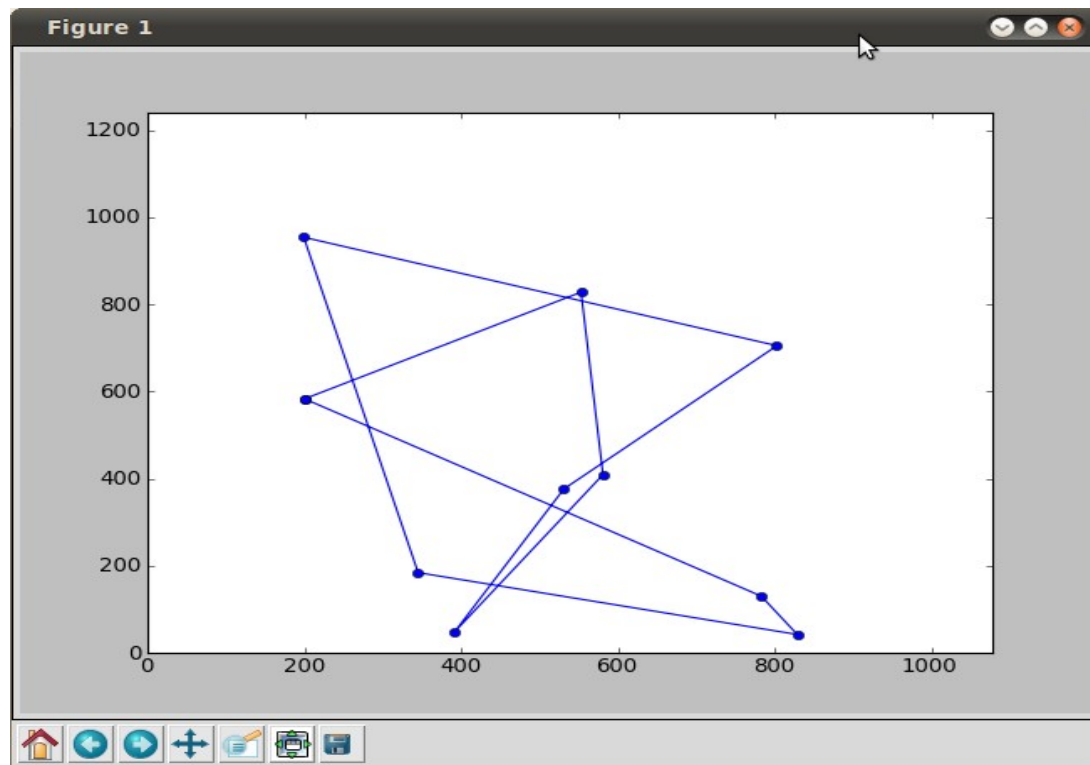
```
// Generate a problem randomly  
./CitiesGenerator [NUMBER_OF_CITIES] > [FILENAME]
```

```
// Solve the generated problem  
./tspSolver [FILENAME] [#of unchange] [#of population] [# of parents] [# of  
swap cities] > [OUTPUT_FILENAME]
```

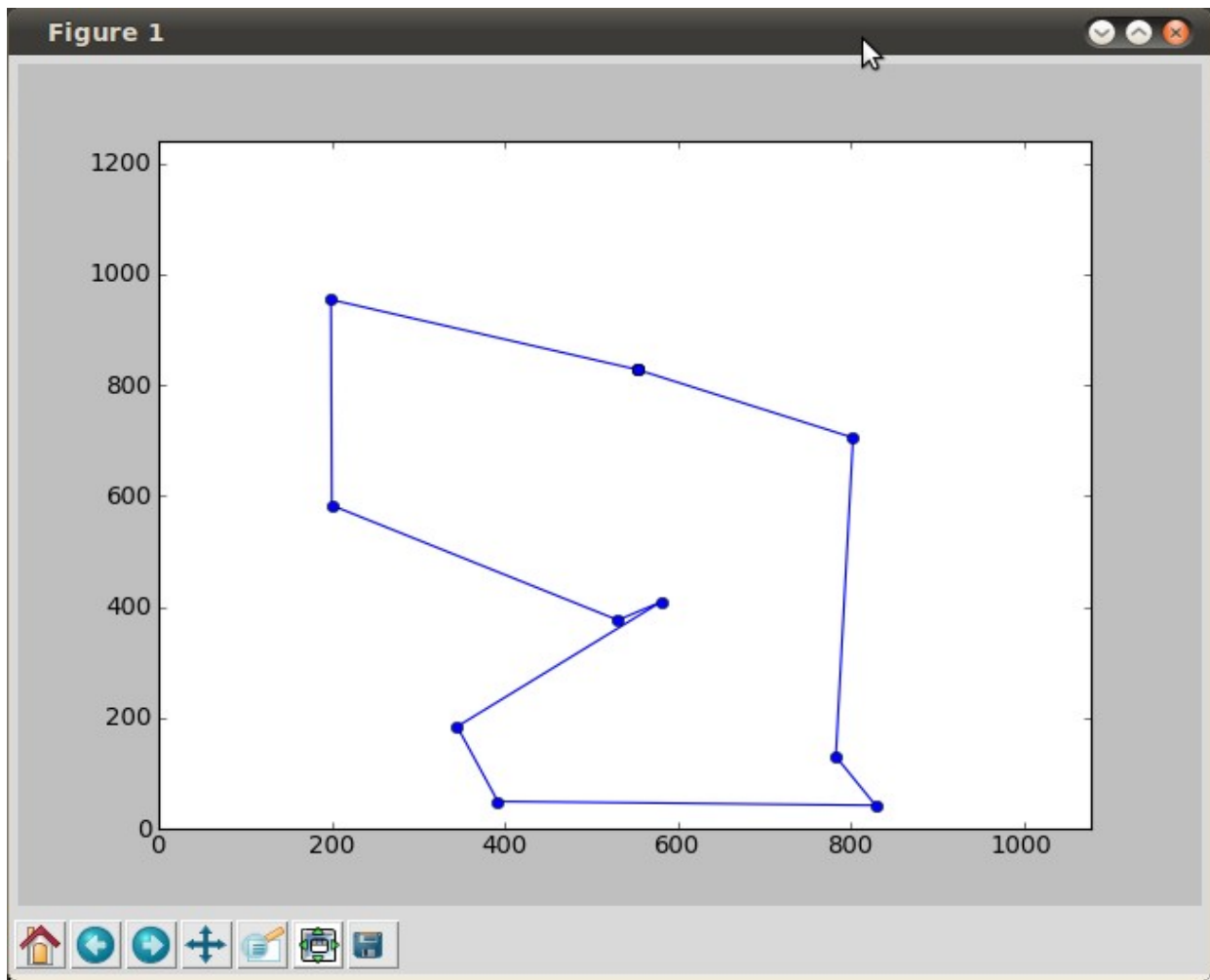
```
// Gisplay the result  
python simplePlot.py [OUTPUT_FILENAME]
```

### Example

```
./CitiesGenerator 10 > t1.tsp  
./tspSolver t1.tsp 2000 20 3 5 > t1.sol  
python simplePlot.py t1.sol
```



*Input*



Output

## How does it work?

It follows the traditional GA algorithm, but I added some personal favors such as choosing half of routes that have the highest cost and half of the lowest cost and randomly mutate cities in a route.

## Pseudo-code

```
procedure GA
    t=0;
    // randomly generate some initial problems
    initialize population P(t)

    // calculate the cost for these problems
    evaluation P(t)

    until Done { /* Based on some #of unchange paramater */
        t = t + 1
        /*
        select 50% highest cost and 50% lowest cost route as the
        parent
        */
        parent selection P(t)

        /*
        combine parents by swapping the cities in each tour so we divide a tour
        into 3 parts equally and swap the 1st part with the 3rd part
        */
        recombination P(t)

        /*
        randomly swap # of swap cities cities in each tour in the
        population. It doesn't matter if r is randomly generating
        twice or many times.
        */
        mutation P(t)

        evaluation P(t)

        /*
        pruned out the routes that have lowest cost in order to maintain
        the population
        */
        survival P(t)
    }
end procedure
```

## Improvements

We could work on the parameter setting and find out the best parameters. Also, we could try to change the way to recombination and mutation. There are a lot of different ways to recombine and mutate.