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Virtual Caterpillar-like Robot that Achieves Locomotion Automatically through Evolutionary Computation

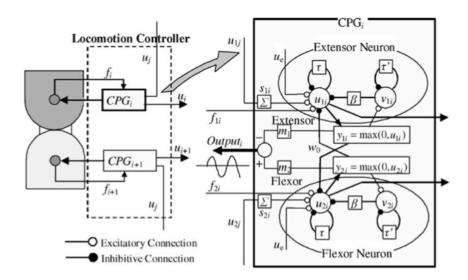
GA Constants

| Parameter | Value |
|----------------------|-------|
| pop_size | 100 |
| $\max_{	ext{gene}}$ | 150 |
| elites | 30 |
| xover_rate | 0.7 |
| $\mathrm{mut_rate}$ | 0.05 |

GA Operations

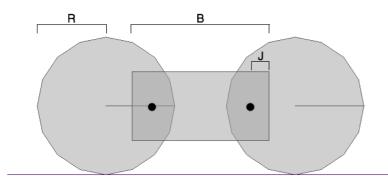
- Elites are not mutated and remain unchanged for each generation.
- Random crossover between elites and the rest of population (N-Point).
- Mutation of CPG weights will randomly choose values (-1, 0, 1)
- Mutation of initial neuron states is based on a random
 +/- percentage of current value.

CPG Network



Simulation Layer

Box2D Physics Engine



$$fitness = distance - \gamma \frac{energy}{num}$$

Chromosome

CPG Network Weights

| 0 | -1 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -1 | 1 |
| 1 | -1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| -1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | 1 | -1 |
| 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Initial Neuron States

| 0.393000 | -0.390000 | -0.095000 | -0.950000 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 0.644380 | -0.281000 | 0.603000 | -0.216000 |
| -0.628000 | -0.814000 | 0.705000 | -0.354000 |
| 0.063000 | -0.032000 | 0.433000 | 0.843000 |
| -0.320000 | 0.912000 | -0.113000 | 0.707000 |
| -0.072000 | -0.238000 | -0.132000 | -0.145440 |
| | | | |

Results

| Segments | 20s | 40s | 60s |
|----------|-----|-----|-----|
| 2 | 58 | 122 | 185 |
| 3 | 53 | 110 | 138 |
| 4 | 37 | 71 | 119 |
| 5 | 37 | 58 | 61 |

Distance traveled in seconds