

# **Cuckoo search based approaches**

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- Cuckoo search was employed to optimize the Objective function. Xin-she Yang and Suash Deb in 2009
  - Inspired from the process of adaptive survival nature of cuckoo birds.
    - Cuckoo birds are a family of birds, which lay eggs in the nests of other birds for the reproduction.
    - If the host bird identifies the cuckoo egg, it destroys that egg or just leaves that nest.
    - In order to avoid such situation cuckoo bird makes eggs in such a way that they appear exactly like the host eggs.
    - This process is accomplished through a repeated process of optimization.
  - Cuckoo search algorithm uses levy flight for the optimization of the individual solutions.

## Cuckoo finch eggs adapted to different hosts.



<http://phys.org/news/2013-09-bird-world-cuckoo-finches-host.html>

# Cuckoo search

Input:

Maximum Number of Generations,  $G$

Error tolerance,  $\varepsilon$

Duration of unchanged error,  $\delta$

Population Size,  $P$

Initial Step size,  $\alpha_0$

Number of random solutions introduced for each generations,  $N$

Convergence criterion: (*generation*  $\geq G$ ) or (*Error*  $\leq \varepsilon$ ) or (*error unchanged for  $\delta$  continuous generations*)

Output: Solution  $X$

# Cuckoo search

## //Initialization

1. Initialize  $G$ ,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $P$  and  $\alpha_0$
2. Generate  $P$  feasible solutions randomly and assign to *Population*

## // Repeat until convergence criteria met

### 3. While *convergence criteria* not met **do**

#### // Update *Population* using a new *Cuckoo* by using *Levy flight*

- a. Generate an individual *Cuckoo* by Levy flight with step size  $\alpha = \alpha_0 / \sqrt{\text{generation}}$
- b. Select an individual, *Cuckoo1* randomly from *population*
- c. **If** fitness of *Cuckoo* **is better than** fitness of *Cuckoo1* **then**  
    Replace *Cuckoo1* from the *population* with *Cuckoo*
- d. **End if**

#### // Abandoned process and Rank based selection

- g. Generate  $N$  feasible solutions randomly and add to *population*
- h. Select the best  $P$  number of individuals from the *population* and abandon others

### 4. End while

### 5. end

# Cuckoo search based approaches

- Modified Cuckoo search is employed to further enhance the performance S.Walton, O.Hassan, K.Morgan, M.R.Brown in 2011
  - Information exchange from the previous population
  - Found to provide better performance than the normal Cuckoo search.

# Modified cuckoo search

**Algorithm 2.** Modified cuckoo search (MCS)

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A ← MaxLevyStepSize
 $\varphi$  ← GoldenRatio
Initialise a population of n nests  $\mathbf{x}_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ 
for all  $\mathbf{x}_i$  do
    Calculate fitness  $F_i = f(\mathbf{x}_i)$ 
end for
Generation number G ← 1
while NumberObjectiveEvaluations
    < MaxNumberEvaluations do
    G ← G + 1
    Sort nests by order of fitness
    for all nests to be abandoned do
        Current position  $\mathbf{x}_i$ 
        Calculate Lévy flight step size  $\alpha \leftarrow A/\sqrt{G}$ 
        Perform Lévy flight from  $\mathbf{x}_i$  to generate new
         $\mathbf{x}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_k$ 
         $F_i \leftarrow f(\mathbf{x}_i)$ 
    end for
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for all of the top nests do
    Current position  $\mathbf{x}_i$ 
    Pick another nest from the top nests at random  $\mathbf{x}_j$ 
    if  $\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}_j$  then
        Calculate Lévy flight step size  $\alpha \leftarrow A/G^2$ 
        Perform Lévy flight from  $\mathbf{x}_i$  to generate new
        egg  $\mathbf{x}_k$ 
         $F_k = f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ 
        Choose a random nest l from all nests
        if ( $F_k > F_l$ ) do
             $\mathbf{x}_l \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_k$ 
             $F_l \leftarrow F_k$ 
        end if
    else
         $dx = |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|/\varphi$ 
        Move distance dx from the worst nest to the
        best nest to find  $\mathbf{x}_k$ 
         $F_k = f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ 
        Choose a random nest l from all nests
        if ( $F_k > F_l$ ) then
             $\mathbf{x}_l \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_k$ 
             $F_l \leftarrow F_k$ 
        end if
    end if
end for
end while
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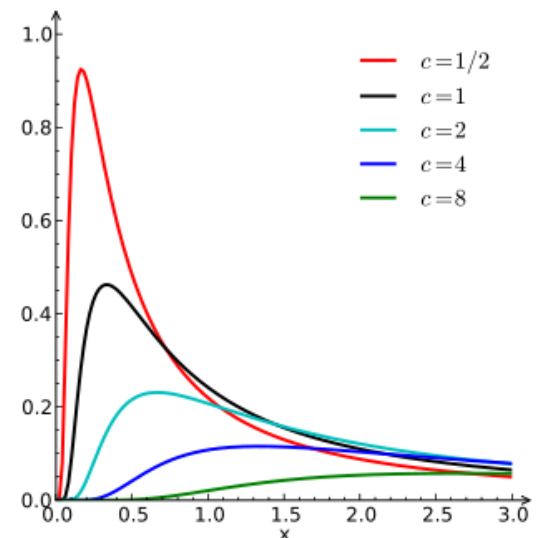
# Cuckoo search and modified cuckoo search

- The Lévy flight essentially provides a random walk while the random step length is drawn from a Lévy distribution
- Lévy  $u = t^{-\lambda}$ , ( $1 < \lambda \leq 3$ ), where  $t$  is the generation number.
- $x(t + 1)_i = x(t)_i + \alpha * \text{Lévy}()$  where  $\alpha = 1$ .

In probability theory and statistics, the **Lévy distribution**, named after Paul Lévy, is a continuous probability distribution for a non-negative random variable.

The probability density function of the Lévy distribution over the domain  $x \geq \mu$  is

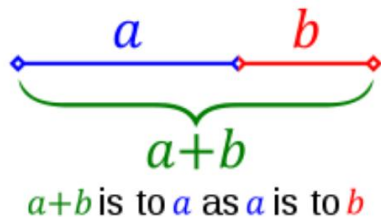
$$f(x; \mu, c) = \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\pi}} \frac{e^{-\frac{c}{2(x-\mu)}}}{(x - \mu)^{3/2}}$$





# Cuckoo search and modified cuckoo search

In mathematics, two quantities are in the **golden ratio** if their ratio is the same as the ratio of their sum to the larger of the two quantities.



$$\frac{a+b}{a} = \frac{a}{b} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi$$

**Greek letter phi ( $\phi$  or  $\varphi$ ) represents the golden ratio. It is an irrational number that is a solution to the quadratic equation  $x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ , with a value of:**

$$\varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = 1.6180339887 \dots$$

The golden ratio appears in some patterns in nature, including the spiral arrangement of leaves and other plant parts.



**Thank you**