Session: Genetic Programming

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Objectives of this Session

I wish to introduce:

- 1. Genetic Programming (GP)
- 2. Tree-based chromosome representation in GP
- 3. Fitness function evaluation in GP
- 4. Common crossover operators in GP
- 5. Common mutation operators in GP
- 6. Building block GP (BGP) and
- 7. Applications of GP



Intended Outcomes of this Session

At the end of this session, the student will be able to:

- 1. Distinguish GP from a GA
- 2. Represent a program code or a decision tree using a tree
- 3. Judge root and leaf nodes of a tree
- 4. Evaluate the fitness of a tree
- 5. Perform crossover and mutation on trees.
- 6. Distinguish standard GP from BGP and
- 7. Summarize the application potential of GP



Recommended Resources for this Session

- 1. Engelbrecht, A. P. (2007). *Computational intelligence: An introduction*. Chichester, England, John Wiley & Sons.
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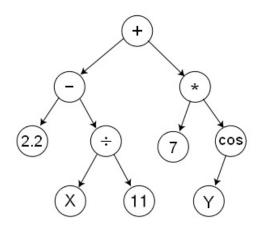


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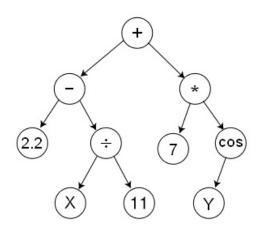


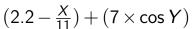
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- In some applications, individuals represents a decision tree. The fitness of individuals is calculated as the classification accuracy of the corresponding decision tree





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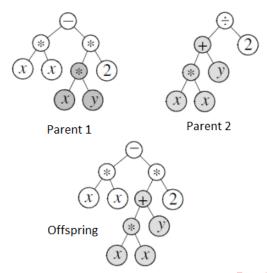
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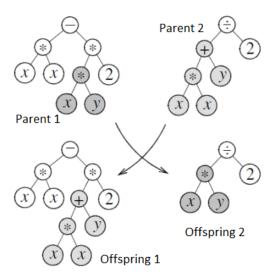


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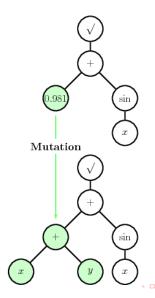


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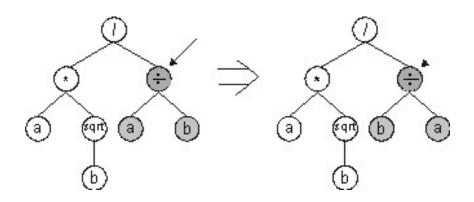


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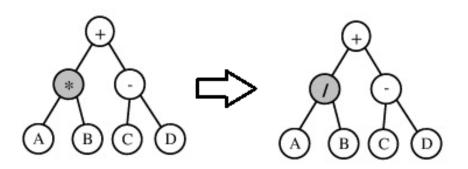




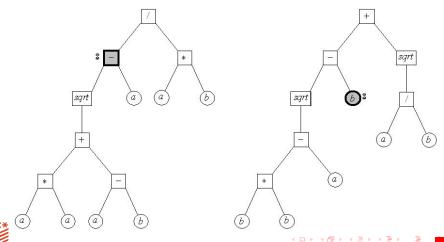














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