# **PyGenAlgo**

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**CHAPTER** 

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### **PYGENALGO**

# 1.1 pygenalgo package

### 1.1.1 Subpackages

pygenalgo.engines package

**Submodules** 

pygenalgo.engines.auxiliary module

```
class pygenalgo.engines.auxiliary.SubPopulation(pop_id: int, population: list = <factory>)
```

Bases: object

Auxiliary class container used in the IslandModelGA to hold all the subpopulations (one on each island).

### property id: int

Accessor (getter) of the id parameter.

### **Returns**

the id value.

pop\_id: int

population: list

```
pygenalgo.engines.auxiliary.apply_corrections(input_population: list[Chromosome], fit_func: Callable = None) \rightarrow int
```

Check the population for invalid genes and correct them by applying directly the random method. It is assumed that the random method of the Gene is always returning a 'valid' value for the Gene. After that, we need to reevaluate the chromosome to update its fitness.

### **Parameters**

**input\_population** – List(Chromosome) the population

we want to apply corrections (if applicable).

### **Parameters**

**fit\_func** – callable fitness function.

### Returns

the total number of corrected genes in the population.

pygenalgo.engines.auxiliary.avg\_hamming\_dist(input\_population: list[Chromosome])  $\rightarrow$  float

Computes the average Hamming distance of a population. We use this to measure the similarity in the population of chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

**input\_population** – List(Chromosome) the population we want

to compute the average Hamming distance.

#### Returns

(float) the total number of differences, in the genes,

divided by the total number of genes compared.

### pygenalgo.engines.generic\_ga module

Bases: object

Description:

Generic GA class models the interface of a specific genetic algorithm model (or engine). It provides the common variables and functionality that all GA models should share.

```
MAX_CPUs = 4
```

```
best\_chromosome() \rightarrow Chromosome
```

Auxiliary method that returns the chromosome with the highest fitness value. Safeguarded with ignoring NaNs.

#### Returns

Return the chromosome with the highest fitness.

```
crossover\_mutate(input\_population: list[Chromosome]) \rightarrow None
```

This is an auxiliary method that combines the crossover and mutation operations in one call. Since these operations happen in place the 'input\_population' will be modified directly.

This method should be called AFTER the selection of the parents that have been selected for breeding.

#### **Parameters**

**input\_population** – this is the population that we will apply

the two genetic operators.

#### property crossover\_op: CrossoverOperator

Accessor method that returns the crossover operator reference.

### Returns

the CrossoverOperator.

```
evaluate_fitness(*args, **kwargs)
```

This method evaluates all the chromosomes' of an input population with a custom fitness function. After updating all the chromosomes with their fitness, the method should return the average statistics of mean and std of the population fitness.

### fitness\_func

#### $individual\_fitness(index: int) \rightarrow float$

Get the fitness value of an individual member of the population.

#### **Parameters**

**index** – Position of the individual in the population.

#### Returns

The fitness value (float).

#### property mutate\_op: MutationOperator

Accessor method that returns the mutation operator reference.

#### **Returns**

the MutationOperator.

#### population

#### $population_fitness() \rightarrow list[float]$

Get the fitness values of all the population.

#### Returns

A list with all the fitness values.

### rng\_GA = Generator(PCG64) at 0x12131D540

```
run(*args, **kwargs)
```

Main method of the Generic GA class, that implements the evolutionary routine.

#### property select\_op: SelectionOperator

Accessor method that returns the selection operator reference.

#### Returns

the SelectionOperator.

### property stats: dict

Accessor method that returns the 'stats' dictionary.

#### Returns

the dictionary with the statistics from the run.

### pygenalgo.engines.island\_model\_ga module

class pygenalgo.engines.island\_model\_ga.IslandModelGA(num\_islands: int, migrate\_op:

ClockwiseMigration = *None*, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: GenericGA

#### Description:

In Island Model GA we run in parallel a number of "islands", each one evolving its own (sub)-population. Optionally we can allow "migration", among the best individuals from each island.

Evaluate all the chromosomes of the input population list with the custom fitness function. After updating all the chromosomes with their fitness, the method returns the average statistics mean/std.

#### **Parameters**

**in\_population** – (list) The population of Chromosomes that we

want to evaluate their fitness.

#### Returns

mean(fitness), std(fitness).

classmethod evolve\_population(island: SubPopulation, eval\_fitness: Callable, epochs: int, crs\_op:

CrossoverOperator, *mut\_op*: MutationOperator, *sel\_op*:

SelectionOperator, rnd\_gen, f\_tol: float = None, correction: bool =

False, elitism: bool = True)

This method is called to evolve each subpopulation independently. It is defined as 'classmethod' because we need access to the fitness function of the object. The input parameters have identical meaning with the ones from run().

### property migrate\_op: MigrationOperator

Accessor method that returns the migration operator reference.

#### Returns

the MigrationOperator.

#### num\_islands

### $print_migration_stats() \rightarrow None$

Print the migration operators stats.

#### **Returns**

None.

**run**(epochs: int = 1000, correction: bool = False, elitism: bool = True,  $f_{tol}$ : float = None, allow\_migration: bool = False,  $n_{tol}$  = False,  $n_{tol}$  = 10, verbose: bool = False)  $\rightarrow$  None

Main method of the IslandModelGA class, that implements the evolutionary routine.

#### **Parameters**

- **epochs** (int) maximum number of iterations in the evolution process.
- **correction** (bool) flag that if set to 'True' will check the validity of

the population (at the gene level) and attempt to correct the genome by calling the random() method of the flawed gene.

#### **Parameters**

elitism – (bool) flag that defines elitism. If 'True' then the chromosome

with the higher fitness will always be copied to the next generation (unaltered).

### **Parameters**

**f\_tol** – (float) tolerance in the difference between the average values of two

consecutive populations. It is used to determine the convergence of the population. If this value is None (default) the algorithm will terminate using the epochs value.

#### **Parameters**

**allow\_migration** – (bool) flag that if set to 'True' will allow the migration

of the best individuals among the different islands.

#### **Parameters**

 ${f n\_periods}$  – (int) the number of times that we will break the main evolution

to allow for chromosomes to migrate. NB: This setting is active only when the option allow\_migration == True. Otherwise, is ignored.

#### **Parameters**

verbose – (bool) if 'True' it will display periodically information about the

current stats of the subpopulations. NB: This setting is active only when the option allow\_migration == True. Otherwise, is ignored.

### **Returns**

None.

### pygenalgo.engines.standard\_ga module

```
class pygenalgo.engines.standard_ga.StandardGA(**kwargs)
```

Bases: GenericGA

Description:

StandardGA model provides a basic implementation of the "GenericGA", which at each iteration (epoch) replaces the whole population using the genetic operators (crossover and mutation).

evaluate\_fitness( $input\_population: list[Chromosome], parallel: bool = False) <math>\rightarrow list[float]$ 

Evaluate all the chromosomes of the input list with the custom fitness function.

#### **Parameters**

**input\_population** – (list) The population of Chromosomes that we want to

evaluate their fitness.

#### **Parameters**

**parallel** – (bool) Flag that enables parallel computation of the fitness function.

### Returns

a list of the fitness values.

fitness\_func

population

```
\textbf{print\_operator\_stats()} \rightarrow None
```

Print the genetic operators stats.

### Returns

None.

**run**(epochs: int = 100, elitism: bool = True, correction: bool = False,  $f_t$ tol: float = None, parallel: bool = False, verbose: bool = False)  $\rightarrow$  None

Main method of the StandardGA class, that implements the evolutionary routine.

#### **Parameters**

- **epochs** (int) maximum number of iterations in the evolution process.
- elitism (bool) flag that defines elitism. If 'True' then the chromosome

with the higher fitness will always be copied to the next generation (unaltered).

### **Parameters**

correction – (bool) flag that if set to 'True' will check the validity of

the population (at the gene level) and attempt to correct the genome by calling the random() method of the flawed gene.

#### **Parameters**

**f\_tol** – (float) tolerance in the difference between the average values of two

consecutive populations. It is used to determine the convergence of the population. If this value is None (default) the algorithm will terminate using the epochs value.

### **Parameters**

- parallel (bool) Flag that enables parallel computation of the fitness function.
- verbose (bool) if 'True' it will display periodically information about

the current average fitness and spread of the population.

#### **Returns**

None.

```
update_stats(fit_list: list[float]) -> (<class 'float'>, <class 'float'>)
```

Update the stats dictionary with the mean/std values of the population fitness values.

#### **Parameters**

**fit\_list** – (float) mean fitness value of the population.

#### **Returns**

the mean and std of the fitness values.

#### **Module contents**

### pygenalgo.genome package

#### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.genome.chromosome module

```
class pygenalgo.genome.chromosome(\_genome: list = < factory>, \_fitness: float = 0.0, \_valid: bool = True)
```

Bases: object

Description:

Implements a dataclass for the Chromosome entity. This class is responsible for holding the individual solution(s), of the optimization problem, during the evolution process.

### clone()

Makes a duplicate of the self object.

#### Returns

a "deep-copy" of the object.

### property fitness: float

Accessor of the fitness value of the chromosome.

#### Returns

the fitness (float) of the genome.

#### property genome: list[Gene]

Accessor of the genome list of the chromosome.

### Returns

the list (of Genes) of the chromosome.

### $hamming\_distance(other) \rightarrow int$

Compute the "Hamming distance" of the "self" object with the "other" chromosome. In practise it's the number of positions at which the corresponding genes are different.

#### **Parameters**

**other** – (Chromosome) to compare the Hamming distance.

#### Returns

(int) the distance between the two chromosomes.

### $is\_genome\_valid() \rightarrow bool$

Checks the validity of the whole chromosome, by calling individually all genes is\_valid method.

In addition, it "double-checks" that all entries in the genome are of type 'Gene'.

#### Returns

True if ALL genes are valid, else False.

### property valid: bool

Accessor (getter) of the validity parameter.

#### Returns

the valid value.

### pygenalgo.genome.gene module

```
class pygenalgo.genome.gene.Gene(datum: Any, func: Callable, valid: bool = True)
```

Bases: object

### Description:

This is the main class that encodes the data of a single Gene in the chromosome. The class encapsulates not only the data, but also the way that this gene can be mutated using a random function. This Gene can be from a single 'bit' to a whole image. This way provides us with flexibility to parameterize the chromosome with different "kinds of genes" each one responsible for a specific function.

### clone()

Makes a duplicate of the self object.

#### Returns

a "deep-copy" of the object.

#### $flip() \rightarrow None$

This method flips the value of the gene data. It is used only dy the FlipMutator operator for problems where the chromosome is represented by a list of bits.

- i)  $1 \to 0$
- ii) 0 -> 1

#### **Returns**

None.

### $gaussian() \rightarrow None$

This method adds a random value, drawn from a standard normal distribution  $x \sim N(0,1)$  to the current gene data value. It is used mostly from the GaussianMutator method.

#### Returns

None.

### property is\_valid: bool

Accessor (getter) of the validity parameter.

#### Returns

the valid value.

#### $random() \rightarrow None$

This method should be different for each type of Gene. It describes how a specific type of Gene creates a random version of itself. The main idea is that inside the Chromosome, each Gene can represent a very different concept of the problem solution, so its Gene should have its own way to perform random mutation.

This way by calling on the random() method, each Gene will know how to mutate itself without breaking any rules/constraints.

#### **Returns**

None.

### property value: Any

Accessor (getter) of the data reference.

#### Returns

the datum value.

#### **Module contents**

pygenalgo.operators package

**Subpackages** 

pygenalgo.operators.crossover package

### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.crossover\_operator module

Bases: GeneticOperator

Description:

Provides the base class (interface) for a Crossover Operator.

```
crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)
```

Abstract method that "reminds" the user that if they want to create a Crossover Class that inherits from here they should implement a crossover method.

### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

Nothing but raising an error.

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.meta\_crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.meta\_crossover.MetaCrossover( $crossover\_probability: float = 0.9$ )

Bases: CrossoverOperator

### Description:

Meta-crossover, crosses the chromosomes by applying randomly all other crossovers (one at a time), with equal probability.

### property all\_counters: dict

Accessor (getter) of the application counter from all the internal crossovers. This is mostly to verify that everything is working as expected.

#### **Returns**

a dictionary with the counter calls for all crossover methods.

#### crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes, by selecting randomly a predefined method.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

### $reset\_counter() \rightarrow None$

Sets ALL the counters to 'zero'. We have to override the super().reset\_counter() method, because we have to call explicitly the reset\_counter on all the internal operators.

#### **Returns**

None.

#### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.mutli point crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.mutli\_point\_crossover.MultiPointCrossover(crossover\_probability: float = 0.9, num\_loci: int

= 2)

 $Bases: {\it CrossoverOperator}$ 

### Description:

Multipoint crossover creates two children chromosomes (offsprings), by taking two parent chromosomes and cutting them at randomly chosen, sites (loci).

It produces faster mixing, compared with single-point crossover.

```
crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)
```

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes, using multiple cutting points (num\_loci).

NOTE: the number of loci is held in the '\_items' variable.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

#### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.order crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.order\_crossover.OrderCrossover\_probability: float = 0.9)

Bases: CrossoverOperator

### Description:

Order crossover (OX1) creates two children chromosomes, by ensuring that the original genome (from both parents) isn't repeated, thus creating invalid offsprings.

It is used predominantly in combinatorial problems.

crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.partially\_mapped\_crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.partially\_mapped\_crossover.PartiallyMappedCrossover(crossover\_probabili
float

-0.9)

Bases: CrossoverOperator

#### Description:

Partially Mapped Crossover (PMX) creates two children chromosomes, by ensuring that the original genome (from both parents) isn't repeated, thus creating invalid offsprings.

It is used predominantly in combinatorial problems.

crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.position based crossover module

Bases: CrossoverOperator

#### Description:

Position based crossover (POS) creates two children chromosomes, by ensuring that the original genome (from both parents) isn't repeated, thus creating invalid offsprings.

It is used predominantly in combinatorial problems.

crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.single\_point\_crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.single\_point\_crossover.SinglePointCrossover( $crossover\_probability$ : float = 0.9)

Bases: CrossoverOperator

#### Description:

Single-point crossover creates two children chromosomes (offsprings), by taking two parent chromosomes and cutting them at some, randomly chosen, site (locus).

It produces very slow mixing, compared with multipoint or uniform crossover.

crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.crossover.uniform\_crossover module

class pygenalgo.operators.crossover.uniform\_crossover.UniformCrossover( $crossover\_probability: float = 0.9$ )

Bases: CrossoverOperator

Description:

Uniform crossover creates two children chromosomes (offsprings), by taking two parent chromosomes and swap their genes in every other location.

It produces fast mixing, compared with single-point crossover.

crossover(parent1: Chromosome, parent2: Chromosome)

Perform the crossover operation on the two input parent chromosomes.

#### **Parameters**

- parent1 (Chromosome).
- parent2 (Chromosome).

#### Returns

child1 and child2 (as Chromosomes).

#### **Module contents**

### pygenalgo.operators.migration package

#### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.operators.migration.clockwise\_migration module

class pygenalgo.operators.migration.clockwise\_migration.ClockwiseMigration( $migration\_probability$ : float = 0.95)

Bases: MigrationOperator

Description:

Clockwise Migration implements a "very basic" migration policy in which each island migrates its best chromosome to the population on its right, following a "clockwise" rotation movement.

 $migrate(islands: list[SubPopulation]) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the migration operation on the list of SubPopulations.

### **Parameters**

**islands** – list[SubPopulation].

#### **Returns**

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.migration.meta\_migration module

Bases: MigrationOperator

Description:

Meta-migrator, performs the migration between the subpopulations by applying randomly all other migrators (one at a time), with equal probability.

NOTE: In the future the equal probabilities can be amended.

### property all\_counters: dict

Accessor (getter) of the application counter from all the internal migrators. This is mostly to verify that everything is working as expected.

#### Returns

a dictionary with the counter calls for all migrator methods.

 $migrate(islands: list[SubPopulation]) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the migration operation on the list of SubPopulations.

#### **Parameters**

**islands** – list[SubPopulation].

#### Returns

None.

### $reset\_counter() \rightarrow None$

Sets ALL the counters to 'zero'. We have to override the super().reset\_counter() method, because we have to call explicitly the reset\_counter on all the internal operators.

#### Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.migration.migration operator module

Bases: GeneticOperator

Description:

Provides the base class (interface) for a Migration Operator.

### migrate(islands: list[SubPopulation])

Abstract method that "reminds" the user that if they want to create a Migration Class that inherits from here they should implement a migrate method.

#### **Parameters**

**islands** – list[SubPopulation].

### Returns

Nothing but raising an error.

### pygenalgo.operators.migration.random\_migration module

class pygenalgo.operators.migration.random\_migration.RandomMigration( $migration\_probability$ : float = 0.95)

Bases: MigrationOperator

Description:

Random Migration implements a "very basic" migration policy in which each island migrates its best chromosome to a randomly selected population.

 $migrate(islands: list/SubPopulation)) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the migration operation on the list of SubPopulations.

**Parameters** 

**islands** – list[SubPopulation].

**Returns** 

None.

#### **Module contents**

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation package

#### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.flip mutator module

class pygenalgo.operators.mutation.flip\_mutator.FlipMutator( $mutate\_probability: float = 0.1$ )

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Flip mutator, mutates the chromosome by selecting randomly a position and flip its Gene value  $(0 \rightarrow 1, \text{ or } 1 \rightarrow 0)$ .

 $mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the mutation operation by randomly flipping a gene.

**Parameters** 

individual - (Chromosome).

Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.gaussian\_mutator module

class pygenalgo.operators.mutation.gaussian\_mutator.GaussianMutator( $mutate\_probability: float = 0.1$ )

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Gaussian mutator, mutates the chromosome by selecting randomly a position and add a Gaussian random value to the current gene value.

```
mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None
```

Perform the mutation operation by randomly adding the Gaussian value to a randomly selected gene position.

#### **Parameters**

individual - (Chromosome).

#### Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.inverse mutator module

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Inverse mutator mutates the chromosome by inverting the order of the gene values between two randomly selected gene end-positions.

 $mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the mutation operation by inverting the genes between at two random positions.

#### **Parameters**

individual - (Chromosome).

#### Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.meta mutator module

class pygenalgo.operators.mutation.meta\_mutator.MetaMutator( $mutate\_probability: float = 0.1$ )

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Meta-mutator, mutates the chromosome by applying randomly all other mutators (one at a time), with equal probability.

NOTE: In the future the equal probabilities can be amended.

#### property all\_counters: dict

Accessor (getter) of the application counter from all the internal mutators. This is mostly to verify that everything is working as expected.

### Returns

a dictionary with the counter calls for all mutator methods.

 $mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the mutation operation by randomly applying another mutator.

#### **Parameters**

**individual** – (Chromosome).

### Returns

None.

```
reset\_counter() \rightarrow None
```

Sets ALL the counters to 'zero'. We have to override the super().reset\_counter() method, because we have to call explicitly the reset\_counter on all the internal operators.

#### Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.mutate operator module

Bases: GeneticOperator

Description:

Provides the base class (interface) for a Mutation Operator.

**mutate**(*individual*: Chromosome)  $\rightarrow$  None

Abstract method that "reminds" the user that if they want to create a Mutation Class that inherits from here they should implement a mutate method.

#### **Parameters**

**individual** – the chromosome to be mutated.

#### Returns

Nothing but raising an error.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.random\_mutator module

class pygenalgo.operators.mutation.random\_mutator.RandomMutator( $mutate\_probability: float = 0.1$ )

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Random mutator, mutates the chromosome by selecting randomly a position and replace the Gene with a new one that has been generated randomly (uniform probability).

```
mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None
```

Perform the mutation operation by randomly replacing a gene with a new one that has been generated randomly.

#### **Parameters**

individual – (Chromosome).

### Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.shuffle\_mutator module

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Shuffle mutator mutates the chromosome by shuffling the gene values between two randomly selected gene end-positions.

 $mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the mutation operation by shuffling the genes between at two random positions.

**Parameters** 

individual - (Chromosome).

Returns

None.

### pygenalgo.operators.mutation.swap\_mutator module

class pygenalgo.operators.mutation.swap\_mutator.SwapMutator( $mutate\_probability: float = 0.1$ )

Bases: MutationOperator

Description:

Swap mutator mutates the chromosome by swapping the gene values between two randomly selected gene positions.

 $mutate(individual: Chromosome) \rightarrow None$ 

Perform the mutation operation by swapping the genes at two random positions.

**Parameters** 

**individual** – (Chromosome).

Returns

None.

### **Module contents**

### pygenalgo.operators.selection package

### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.boltzmann\_selector module

class pygenalgo.operators.selection.boltzmann\_selector.BoltzmannSelector( $select\_probability$ : float = 1.0, k: float = 100.0)

Bases: SelectionOperator

Description:

Boltzmann Selector implements an object that performs selection by choosing an individual from a set of individuals by sampling solutions from a Boltzmann distribution depending on their fitness's.

### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

NOTE: the Boltzmann constant is held in the '\_items' variable.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

#### pygenalgo.operators.selection.linear rank selector module

class pygenalgo.operators.selection.linear\_rank\_selector.LinearRankSelector( $select\_probability$ : float = 1.0)

Bases: SelectionOperator

#### Description:

Linear Rank Selector implements an object that performs selection using ranking. The individuals first are sorted according to their fitness values. The rank 'N' is assigned to the best individual and the rank 1 to the worst individual.

After that the selection process is similar to the one of RouletteWheelSelector.

### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.random\_selector module

Bases: SelectionOperator

### Description:

Random Selector implements selection assuming that all members of the population have the same probability to be selected as parents 1/N, effectively assuming a uniform probability.

It does not favour the fit individuals therefore the mixing will be very slow.

### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.roulette\_wheel\_selector module

 $\textbf{class} \ \ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.selection.roulette\_wheel\_selector.} \\ \textbf{RouletteWheelSelector} (\textit{select\_probability}: \textit{class}) \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.selection.roulette\_wheel\_selector.} \\ \textbf{RouletteWheelSelector} (\textit{select\_probability}: \textit{class}) \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.selection.roulette\_wheel\_selector.} \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.selector.} \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.selector.} \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.} \\ \textbf{pygenalgo.operators.}$ 

float = 1.0)

Bases: SelectionOperator

### Description:

Roulette Wheel Selector implements 'fitness proportional selection'. Each member of the population is assigned a probability value that is directly proportional to its fitness value (compared to the rest of the population).

Individuals with higher fitness value are more likely to be selected for parents when forming the new generation of individuals (offsprings).

### select(population: list/Chromosome/)

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.select operator module

Bases: GeneticOperator

### Description:

Provides the base class (interface) for a Selection Operator. Note that even though the operator accepts a probability value, for the moment this operator is applied with 100% probability.

### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Abstract method that "reminds" the user that if they want to create a Selection Class that inherits from here they should implement a select method.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – is a list, with the chromosomes, to select

the parents for the next generation

### Returns

Nothing but raising an error.

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.stochastic\_universal\_selector module

 $\textbf{class} \texttt{ pygenalgo.operators.selection.stochastic\_universal\_selector}. \textbf{StochasticUniversalSelector} (\textit{select\_probaticUniversalSelector}) and \textit{selector} (\textit{select\_probaticUniversalSelector}) are \textit{selector} (\textit{select\_probaticUniversalSelector}) and \textit{selector} (\textit{select\_probaticUniversalSelector}) are \textit{selector} (\textit{select\_probaticUniversalSelector}) and \textit{selector} (\textit{selector}) are \textit{selector} (\textit{selector}) \textit{selector} ($ 

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Bases: SelectionOperator

#### Description:

Stochastic Universal Selector is an extension of fitness proportionate selection (i.e. RouletteWheelS-election) which exhibits no bias and minimal spread. Where RWS chooses several solutions from the population by repeated random sampling, SUS uses a single random value to sample all the solutions by choosing them at evenly spaced intervals. This gives weaker members of the population (according to their fitness) a chance to be chosen.

#### select(population: list/Chromosome/)

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### **Returns**

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.tournament\_selector module

class pygenalgo.operators.selection.tournament\_selector.TournamentSelector( $select\_probability$ : float = 1.0, k: int = 5)

Bases: SelectionOperator

#### Description:

Tournament Selector implements an object that performs selection by choosing an individual from a set of individuals. The winner of each tournament i.e. (the one with the highest fitness value) is selected as new parent to perform crossover and mutation.

#### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Select the individuals, from the input population that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

### pygenalgo.operators.selection.truncation selector module

class pygenalgo.operators.selection.truncation\_selector.TruncationSelector( $select\_probability$ : float = 1.0, p: float = 0.3)

Bases: SelectionOperator

### Description:

Truncation Selector, creates a new population using a pre-defined proportion of the old population. When this method is called, it sorts the individuals of the OLD population using their fitness and then using a predefined value (e.g. p=0.3 or 30%) selects repeatedly new individuals from the top 0.3 percent of the old population, until we reach the required size of the NEW population.

### select(population: list[Chromosome])

Select the individuals, from the input population, that will be passed on to the next genetic operations of crossover and mutation to form the new population of solutions.

#### **Parameters**

**population** – a list of chromosomes to select the parents from.

#### Returns

the selected parents population (as list of chromosomes).

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#### **Submodules**

### pygenalgo.operators.genetic\_operator module

```
class pygenalgo.operators.genetic_operator.GeneticOperator(_probability: float)
```

Bases: object

### Description:

Provides the base class (interface) for a Genetic Operator. This class includes some common variables (such as the probability and the application counter) along with access to them.

All genetic operators (Selection, Crossover, Mutation, Migration) should inherit this class.

### property counter: int

Accessor (getter) of the application counter.

#### Returns

the int value of the counter variable.

### $inc\_counter() \rightarrow None$

Increase the counter value by one. This is applied after each application of the genetic operator.

### Returns

None.

#### property items: list | tuple

Accessor (getter) of the \_items container.

### Returns

\_items (if any).

### property iter: int

Accessor (getter) of the iteration parameter.

### Returns

the iteration value.

### property probability: float

Accessor (getter) of the probability.

### Returns

the float value of the probability.

### $reset\_counter() \rightarrow None$

Sets the counter value to zero.

### Returns

None.

### property rng

Get access of the Class variable (\_rng).

### Returns

the random number generator.

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