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Automatic Timetable Generation Using Genetic Algorithms

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A B S T R A C T

The Technology of timetables has usually been tedious applicable from time and aside from being tedious, the timetable created has typically been stuffed with sequence of mistakes and mistakes. Numerous strategies are suggests to fixing this problem. During this paper, genetic Algorithm used to be employed by using growing a gaggle of your time sequence randomly from a given time and publications in one-of-a-kind to seek out a reply to the timetable problems. The publications as a result shaped are evaluated with the assistance of the distinction function. Supervisor logs into the machine then the administrator input the publications with their codes and consequently the unit. At that time, the admin will maintain which includes till the extent of guides wished has been inputted. The admin can take away a direction that has been inputted within the case of error. After inputting the courses, it strikes to subsequent page the place all the lecture halls or rooms which will be used are going to be inputted. After inputting these, the system then generates the timetable system. This device (genetic algorithm) used helps in reducing to barest minimum, errors and mistakes in encountered in growing an automated timetable.

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1. Introduction

This article describes an implementation of timetable scheduling trouble the use of genetic algorithm. The timetable scheduling bother is very each and every day to all tutorial institutions. The Main algorithm cause is to keep away from the fluctuate of conflicts in the timetable scheduling. Reduction to encoding of search residing used to be as all at as soon as in addition implemented.

This paper is about Genetic Algorithms used in timetable administration at college or colleges. The needs of this mission are, first, to introduce Genetic Algorithm and, secondly, to use it to clear up a timetable scheduling problem.

The ambitions are to outline what Genetic Algorithms are and how it's work, to outline what is timetable administration and its perfect troubles and to make a prototype of a computerized timetable scheduling laptop barring the use of the classical approach then as quickly as prolonged the Genetic Algorithm. The ultra-modern day timetable laptop computer in Coventry University is estimated adequate. This thesis does no longer advise an option for solution.

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2. Genetic Algorithm

Genetic rule (GA) could be a search-based optimization technique supported the principles of genetic science and survival of the fittest. It's oft accustomed notice optimum or near-optimal solutions to tough issues that otherwise would take a life to resolve. It's often accustomed solve optimization issues, in analysis, and in machine learning.

3. GA – Motivation

Genetic Algorithms have the power to deliver a "good-enough" answer "fast-enough". This makes genetic algorithms engaging to be used in finding optimization issues. the explanations why GAs area unit required area unit as follows –

A. Solving Tough Issues

In computing, there's an oversized set of issues, that area unit NP-Hard. What this basically suggests that is that, even the foremost powerful computing systems take an awfully very long time (even years!) to resolve that drawback. In such a state of affairs, GAs proves to be associate degree economical tool to produce usable near-optimal solutions in an exceedingly short quantity of your time.

B. Failure Of Gradient Based Mostly Strategies

Traditional calculus based mostly strategies work by beginning at a random purpose and by taking possession the direction of the gradient, until we have a tendency to reach the highest of Capitol Hill. This system is economical and works selected for single-peaked objective performs just like the value function in rectilinear regression. But, in most real-world things, we've got an awfully advanced drawback known as landscapes, that area unit product of several peaks and lots of valleys, which causes such strategies to fail, as they suffer from associate degree inherent tendency of obtaining stuck at the native optima.

4. Requirement Specification

A.Functional Requirements

Graphical User interface with the User.

B. Software Requirements

For developing the application the following are the Software Requirements:

Android Development Tools

Eclipse IDE 3.4 or Higher(*Resent Version*)

Android SDK and Eclipse Plug-ins for Android ADT (*Resent versions*).

C. Operating Systems supported

Windows7

Windows XP

Windows8

D. Technologies and Languages used to Develop

Android

Java

XML

E. Debugger and Emulator

Android Dalvik Debug Monitor service

Android Emulator (Android Virtual Device)

For running the application the following are the Software Requirements:

Operating System : Android 2.1 or higher versions

F. Hardware Requirements

For developing the application the following are the Hardware Requirements:

Processor : Pentium IV or higher

RAM : 256MB

Hard Disk : Minimum 512MB

For running the application:

Device : Android version 2.1 and higher

Space : 1.0MB

5. Methodology

The tools used for the planning and methodology embrace algorithmic rule and Flow chart. From the flow chart below, the steps dispensed by the supervisor square measure as follow: The supervisor logs into the system. The administrator then input the courses with their codes and also the unit. At this time, the admin can keep adding till the amount of courses required has been inputted. The admin will take away a course that has been inputted within the case of error. Once inputting the courses, it moves to future page wherever all the lecture halls or rooms which will be used are going to be inputted. Once inputting these, the system then generates the timetable system

6. Task Identification Set Up

All the work required to perform the project is analyzed and arranged. The matter and price proposition self-addressed by the project is delineated. Task performed to complete the work is split within the cluster of 5 modules, wherever every individual must perform their own task and later we've got integrated the all the task. The timeline of the project is additionally set from the start. It contains of various modules of our project. Every module determines the subsequent task severally as follows:-

A. Module I: Registration

Fill all the entries like email id, password, phone no and address. Then, once filling all the main points properly and press the submit button. All the entries keep within the information.

B. Module II: Insertion of Details

- Faculty details
- Teacher details
- Subjects, labs, seminar, project research lab details
- Branch and shift details

C. Module III: Amendment Word

Here, the users willamendment his word by coming into the e-mail id, recent word and new word. Once filling the main points, changes are going to be exhausted information

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D. Module IV: Timetable generation

After filling all the main points, the agenda are going to be generated.

E. Module V: Print Timetable

The Timetable will be downloaded directly from the web site**.**

7. System Design

The whole method of scheduling supported genetic algorithm is explained well during this section.

A scheduling procedure is split into several important modules are as follows:

A. Evaluation of population:

The fitness of an answer is that the estimation of how good the answer is, using soft constraints. At this range, the answer is valid.

The evaluation of the population is that the heart of the Genetic Algorithm. This step evaluate which solution is best than other employing a fitness function.

The fitness will be given employing a range between 0 and 1, where 1 is estimated because the best solution of the population, using other the opposite individuals to range them. During this case, there'll be always an answer that the fitness is 1, and an answer that the fitness is 0.

B. Fitness Function:

Fitness [11] of the timetable is calculated by below

Equation :

$$F(X)=\frac{\rho 1(x)-\rho v(x)}{\rho 1(xWT)-\rho v(xWT)}$$

Where,

$\rho 1(x)$ = Average density of the sequence of x.

$\rho v(x)$ = Analogue for the poor phase.

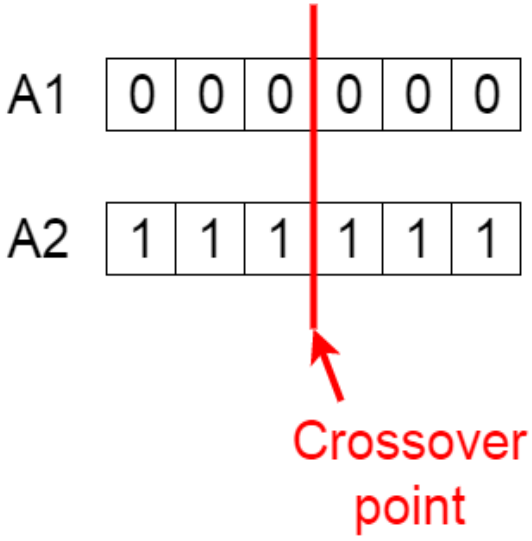
X = Timetable under evaluation process.

W = Number of Constraints.

T = Total fitness value.

C. Crossover Evolution:

The crossover evolution could be a method used for the creation of a replacement population, supported older population. The easy crossover evolution uses two chromosomes and permit to make X new chromosomes.



Figure[1] Crossover point

It consists of splitting the 2 chromosomes in parts and creating new chromosomes using different parts.

- Data encoding and decoding
- Initial population
- Evaluation of population
- Crossover Evolution
- Mutation
- New Population

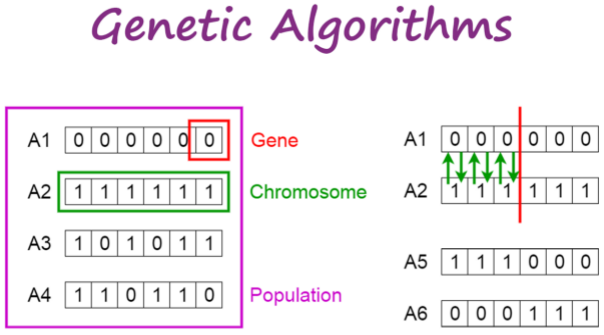


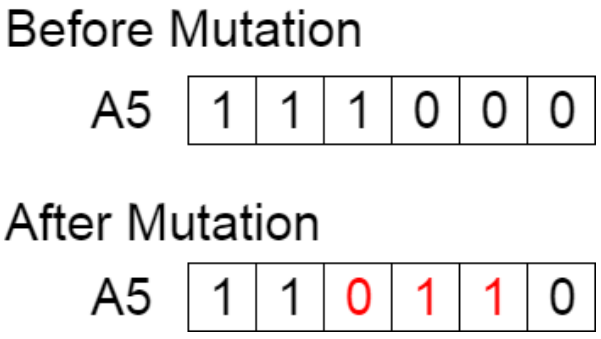
Figure [2]

D. Data encoding and decoding: Data encoding is that the beginning before starting Genetic Algorithm. It transforms an answer into a chromosome to urge an easy value, sort of a string. It's accustomed improve speed of the algorithm. A simple thanks to do is to converting the information

into a binary string. A Gene could be a part of Chromosome and it will be converted to a binary string either. Conversion the information to the current type permits a neater treatment for the algorithm. The chromosome string consists of side-by-side genes strings.

E. *Initial population*: it's the primary step in GA. It consists of making variety of random individuals using hard constraints. The population choice depends on the wants of the user. A little amount of population will get smaller and destroy the complete population after some generations due to evolution. On the opposite hand, an outsized amount of population will give better results but would force more resources and can be slower. The population will be represented as a group.

F. *Mutation*: Mutation is employed to induce the algorithm moving. It consists of adjusting the values of a gene randomly, leading to a replacement unexpected solution. These solutions offer a brand new point of view for the fitness function. The mutation changes only the chromosome, without affecting others solutions.



Figure[3]Mutation

G. *New Population*: The crossover and also the mutation permit to make a replacement population of original solutions.

8. Implementation of Design

The following are the hardware requirement of the system that the design can be implemented upon.

Hard disk space ofnot less than 500 megabyte.

- Pentium II Intel processor.
- RAM of not less than 125 megabyte
- The design can be implemented on any operating system starting from windows vista.

Internet browser such as Google Chrome, Internet Explorer, Microsoft Edge, Opera Mini, UC Browser and so on. The following tools were used in the course of developing the system.

- Eclipse IDE
- SQ late

The programming languages used:

- JAVA
- XML

9. Future Scope

To generate timetable for the institute which can be less time intense and freed from human errors along side high level of potency and preciseness.[5] What is more improve the method of timetable generation with facilitate of biological science formula alongside the help of technology

10. Conclusion

Genetic formula is one in every of the foremost effective ways in which of generating timetables though it doesn't provides a 100% best timetable. Its degree of optimality depends on the constraints used and additionally the fitness operates of the parameters. Victimization Genetic formula may be a very little slower things to the steps it's to endure. Generating random numbers, mutating and crossover parameters before the ultimate result's gotten. Yet, it still remains the most effective thanks to solve timetable problems.

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