# Multi-Population Adaptive Inflationary Differential Evolution

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# Multi-population version of AIDEA (MP-AIDEA)

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Survival selection:  

$$\mathbf{x}'_{i} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_{i}, & \text{if } f(\mathbf{u}_{i}) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \\ \mathbf{x}_{i}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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 Population contraction: r ≤ ρ ⋅ r<sub>max</sub> r = max (||x<sub>i</sub> - x<sub>j</sub>||) and r<sub>max</sub> is the maximum value of r recorded during the convergence

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3. Perform **local search** from the best individual in the population and locate local minimum

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4. Restart population in a bubble of dimension  $\delta_{local}$  around the local minimum

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#### 5. Repeat DE until convergence

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6. When more than  $n_{LR}$  local restarts have been performed **globally** restart the population at a distance  $\delta_{global}$  from the centers of the clusters of local minima

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 CRF update: (CR, F) couples with lower d are substituted by (CR, F) couples with higher d

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  - MP-AIDEA-CRF1
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    - Different CR and F values for each element of each population

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► Update of B: population with higher values of p are characterized by a better value of δ<sub>local</sub>

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MP-AIDEA 2	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$		
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MP-AIDEA 4	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$
MP-AIDEA 5	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$
MP-AIDEA 6	√				$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
MP-AIDEA 7		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			
MP-AIDEA 8		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		
MP-AIDEA 9		$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	
MP-AIDEA 10		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$
MP-AIDEA 11		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$
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MP-AIDEA 8		$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$		
MP-AIDEA 9		$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	
MP-AIDEA 10		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$
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Algorithm performance:

- Success rate: number of successful runs over 100 total runs
- Successful run:  $f(\mathbf{x}_{min}) < f_{min} + \epsilon$

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# Spread Spectrum Radar Polyphase Code Design

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Problem and algorithm parameters

D	f <sub>min</sub>	FEs	$\delta_{local}*$	$\delta_{global}$	ρ	n <sub>LR</sub>
20	0.5	$1.5 \cdot 10^{5}$	0.1	0.1	0.2	10

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MP-AIDEA and AIDEA success rate



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# Spread Spectrum Radar Polyphase Code Design

Statistics of the results

Algorithm	Min	Mean	Max	Str.Dev.
MP-AIDEA 10	0.5000	0.5045	0.5690	0.0135
AIDEA	0.5000	0.5130	0.6422	0.0263
GA-MPC	0.5000	0.7484	0.9334	0.1249
WI-DE	0.5000	0.6560	0.9931	0.1160

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D	f <sub>min</sub>	FEs
30	-36.9286	$1.5 \cdot 10^{5}$

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Case 1	0.1	0.1	0.2	10
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•  $\delta_{local}$  adaptation



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AIDEA	-36.9286	-36.8046	-35.9700	0.2483
Case 2				
MP-AIDEA 10	-36.9286	-36.6689	-34.1647	0.4399
AIDEA	-36.9286	-36.6219	-35.4467	0.4694
GA-MPC	-36.8457	-35.03883	-34.1076	0.8329
WI-DE	-36.8	-35.6	-34.2	0.904

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D	f <sub>min</sub>	FEs	$\delta_{local}*$	$\delta_{global}$	$\rho$	n <sub>LR</sub>
30/50	-460	$3 \cdot 10^5 \ / \ 5 \cdot 10^5$	0.1	0.1	0.2	5

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$$\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{D}=30\\ n_{pop}=10 \end{array}$$

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### Schwefel's Problem





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D = 50				
MP-AIDEA 10 AIDEA IPOP-CMA-ES	2.48e-8 5.61e-8 9.67e+0	8.91e+2 2.22e+3 2.27e+5	9.54e+3 1.33e+4 5.57e+6	1.27e+3 2.69e+3 1.11e+6

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### Rotated Version of Hybrid Composition Function

MP-AIDEA success rate

Algorithm	2x20	4x20	6x20	8x20
MP-AIDEA 4	2	1	1	0
MP-AIDEA 10	1	0	1	3

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MP-AIDEA 10	1	0	1	3

Statistics of the results (error values w.r.t. f<sub>min</sub>)

Algorithm	Min	Mean	Max	Str.Dev.
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AIDEA	5.38e+1	1.02e+2	1.14e+2	8.42e+0
IPOP-CMA-ES	7.92e+1	9.13e+1	9.68e+1	3.49e+0

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# Thank you for your attention





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