

Swarm Intelligence

Particle Swarm Optimization

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Particle Swarm Optimisation

- Perturbative algorithm
 - A set of solutions are input to the algorithm from the beginning
- Originally proposed for continuous problems
 - Adaptations have been propose to tackle discrete and mixed variable problems
- Particles communicate among them and share information about the solutions they have found.
 - Topologies and models of influence.

Particle Swarm Optimisation

- Solutions: particle moving through the search space
 - Position $x[] = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
 - Velocity $v[] = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$
 - Personal best position $p[] = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$
 - Global best position $g[] = (g_1, g_2, \dots, g_n)$

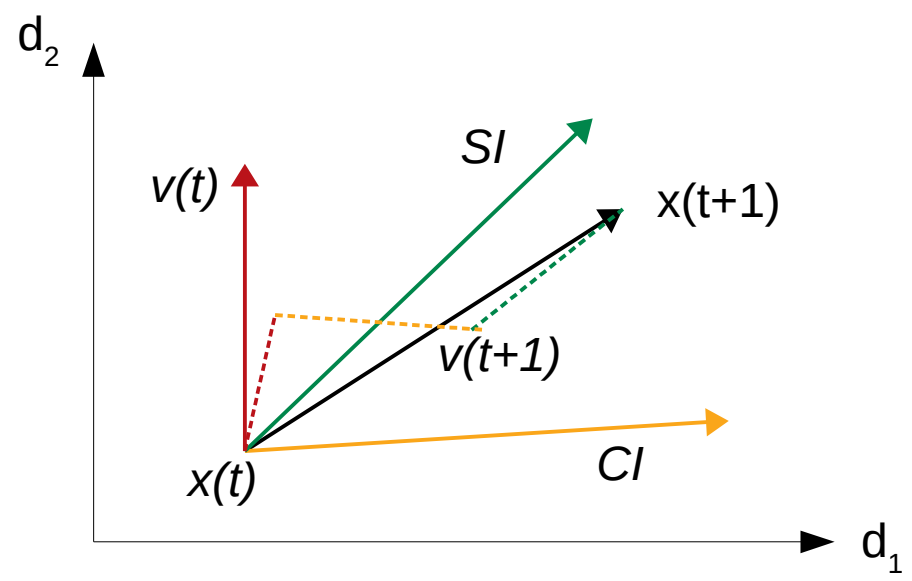
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$$x_i(t+1) = x_i(t) + v_i(t+1)$$

Particle Swarm Optimisation

$$v_i(t+1) = \underbrace{\omega * v_i(t)}_{\text{Inertia}} + \underbrace{\psi_1 * U_1(p_i - x_i(t))}_{\text{Cognitive influence (CI)}} + \underbrace{\psi_2 * U_2(g_i - x_i(t))}_{\text{Social Influence (SI)}}$$

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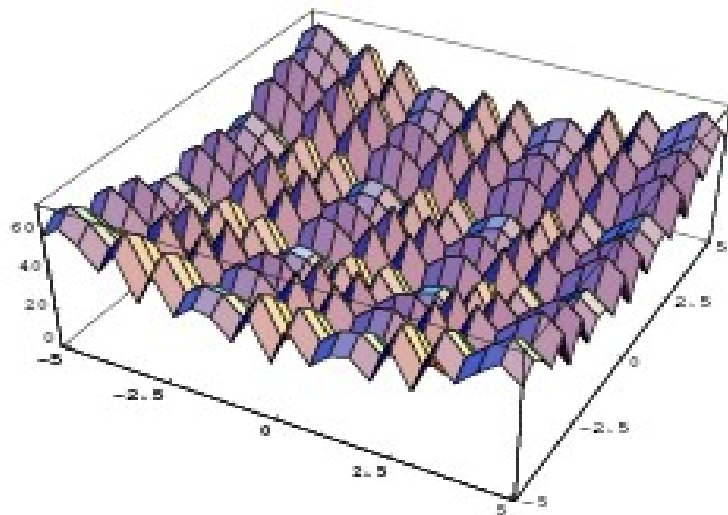


Particle Swarm Optimisation

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1 Initialize particles
2 While (!termination)
3     Update global best           #Topology dependent
4     Update velocity
5     Update current position
6     Update personal best
7 End while
8 Return best solution
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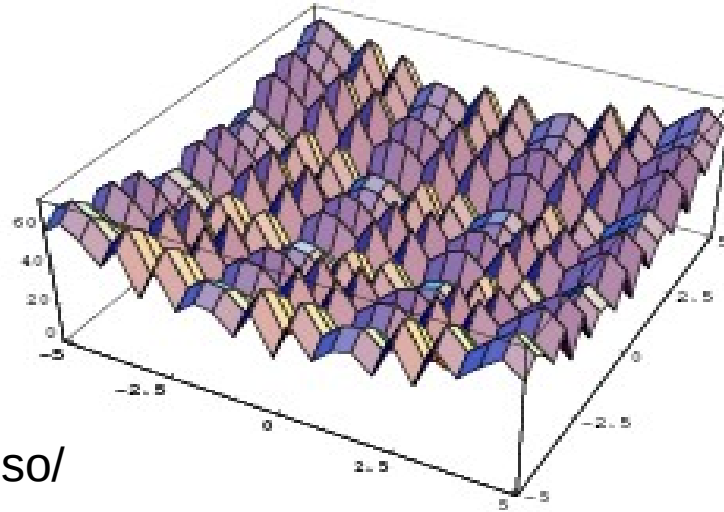
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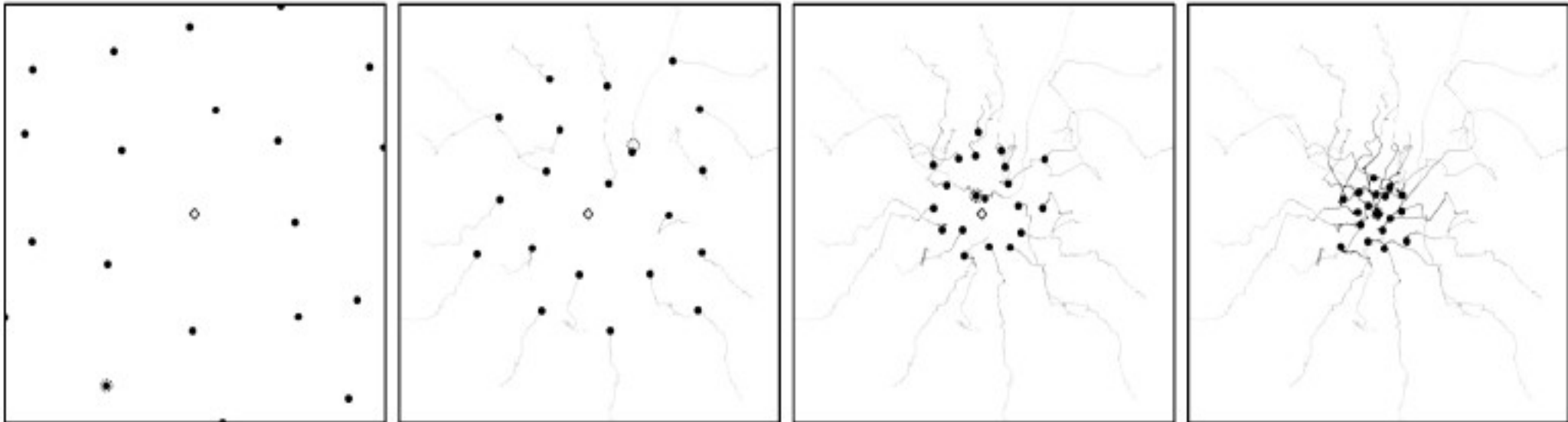
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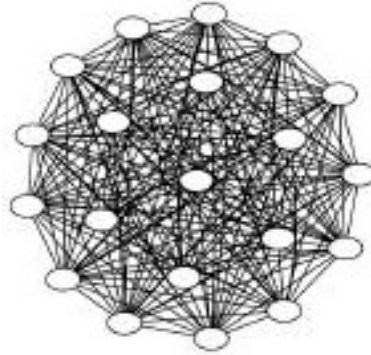
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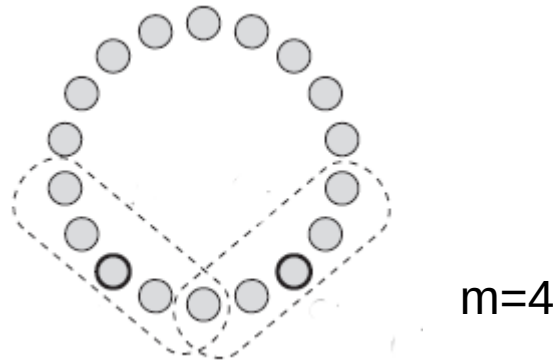


Particle Swarm Optimisation: Topologies

- Define a neighbourhood for the particles.
 - Gbest: all particles are neighbours.

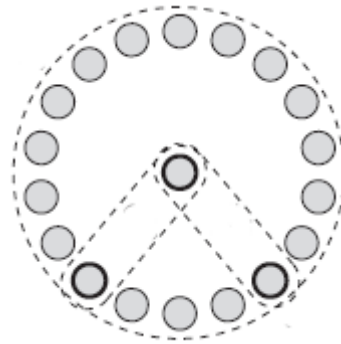


- Ring: Each particle has n other neighbours.

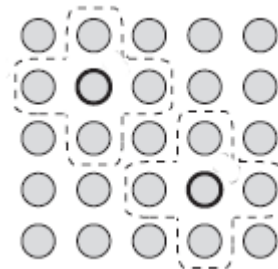
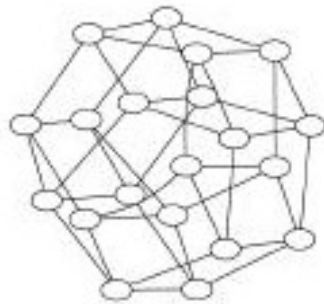


Particle Swarm Optimisation: Topologies

- Wheel: one central particle.

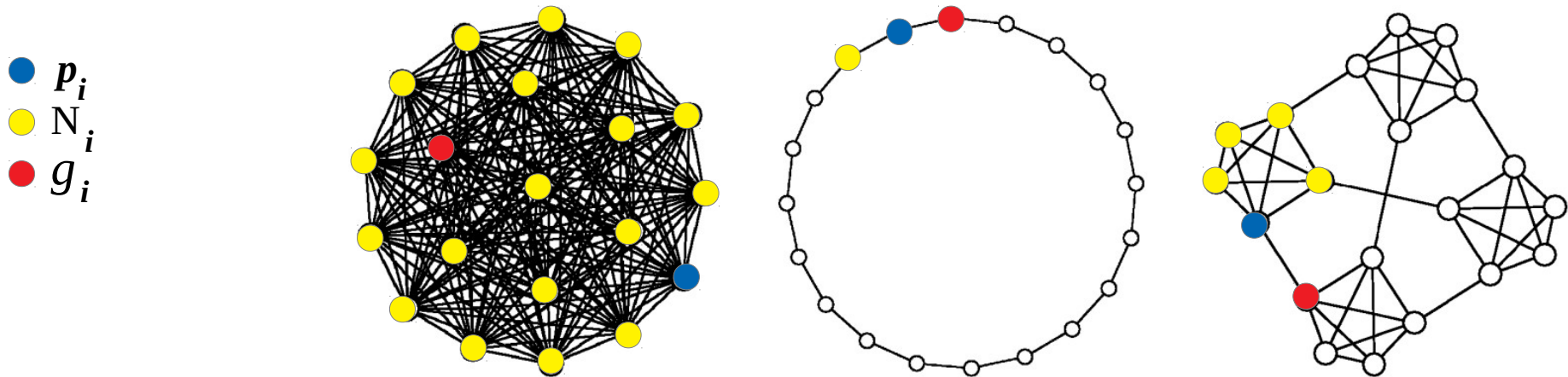


- Von Neumann: Network of 2 dimensions, each particle connected up and down, left and right.



Particle Swarm Optimisation: Models of influence

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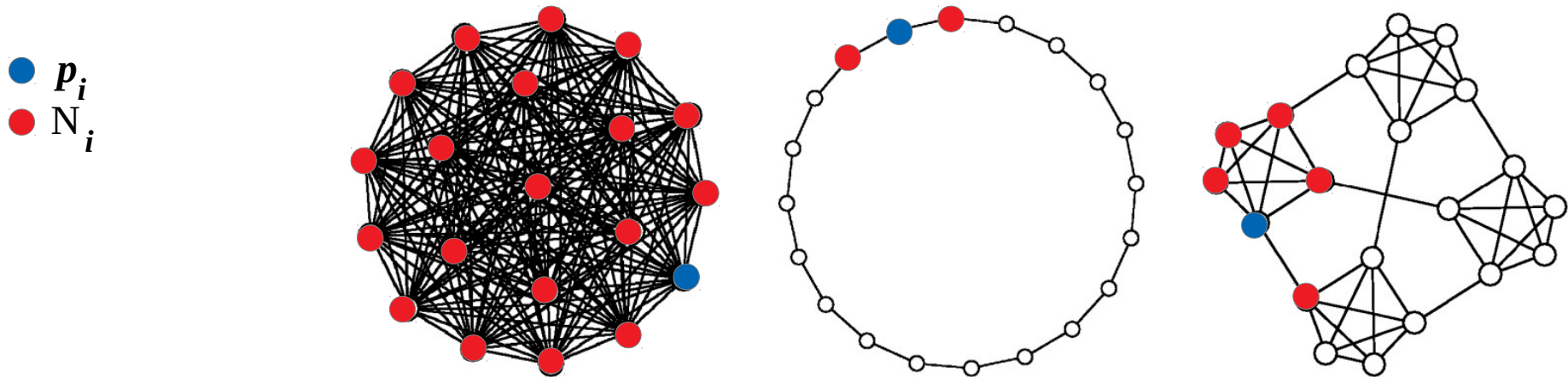


- **Best of neighbourhood:** only g_{best} or l_{best}

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- **Fully informed**: all neighbours

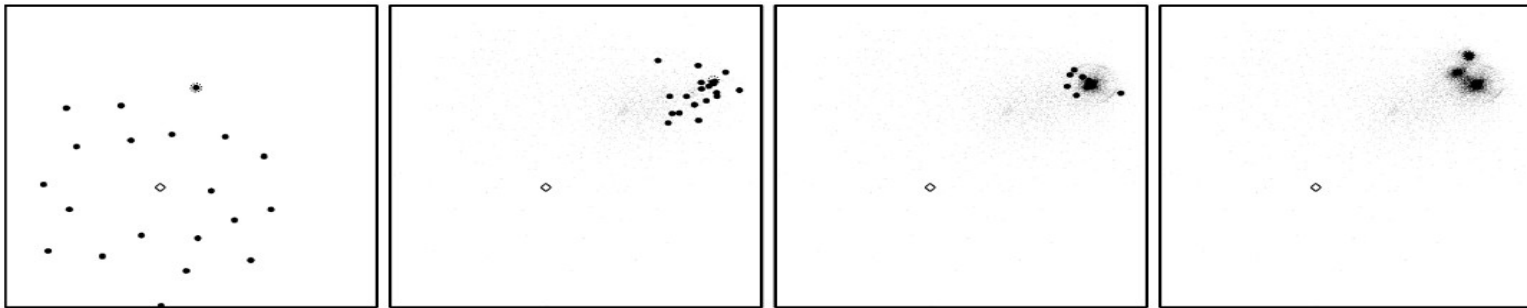
$$v_i(t+1) = \chi [v_i(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N \psi_j * U_j(p_j - x_i(t))]$$

$$\psi_j = \frac{\psi}{|N_i|} \quad \chi = 0.7298$$

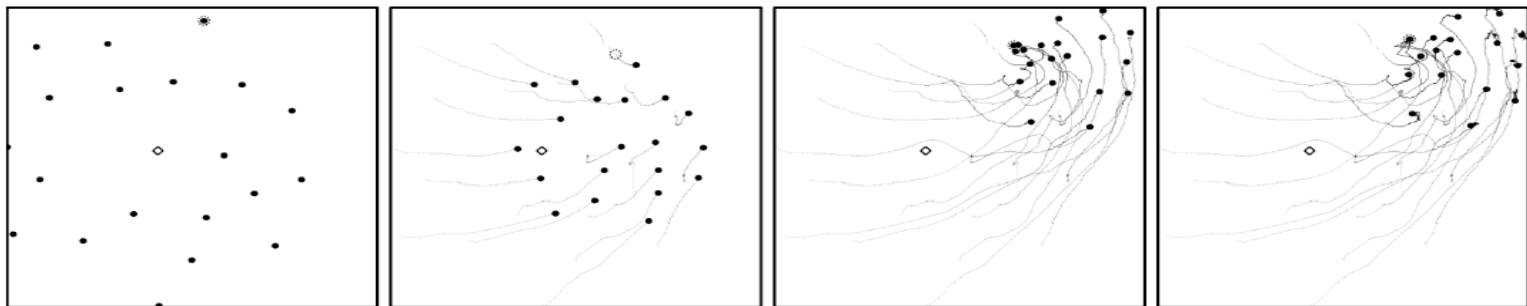
Particle Swarm Optimisation: Inertia

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- Controlling the balance of the search
 - Small inertia → more exploitative



- Large inertia → more exploratory



Particle Swarm Optimisation: Inertia

- The value of inertia can vary during the search:
 - Example: Privilege exploration in initial iterations and exploitation at the end.

$$v_i(t+1) = \omega(t) * v_i(t) + \psi_1 * U_1(p_i - x_i(t)) + \psi_2 * U_2(g_i - x_i(t))$$

- Linear decreasing:

$$\omega(t) = (\omega(0) - \omega(T)) \frac{T-t}{T} + \omega(T)$$

- No linear decreasing:

$$\omega(t+1) = \omega(T) - (\omega(T) - \omega(0)) \left(\frac{T-t}{T}\right)^\alpha$$