

A Basic Study on Symmetrical Chaotic Dynamics for Population-based Optimization

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Abstract—

We propose a novel optimization method that searches for an optimal solution by updating multi points based on chaotic dynamics with information sharing mechanism. In previous work, we have proposed an optimization method based on swarm of chaotic dynamical particles (OSCDP). OSCDP shows better performance than particle swarm optimization (PSO). In this paper, we propose a simplified method governed only by chaotic dynamics with information sharing. The method has two system parameters and does not contain any stochastic terms. Numerical experimental results show that the proposed method has better performance than PSO and the previous proposed method.

1. Introduction

Large numbers of heuristic optimization methods are proposed. One of the most simple and powerful methods is particle swarm optimization (PSO) proposed by Kennedy and Eberhart [1, 2]. PSO searches for an optimal solution by population called particles. Each particle has information about position and velocity. The position is a candidate of the solution. They share the information of the best position in own searched history with others. Using the shared information and current particle state, position and velocity are updated for each time-step.

Researches studied about the PSO dynamics to discover the relationship between the behavior of particle and the performance. Ozcan and Mohan derived that the behavior of single particle can be divergence, convergence or sinusoid wave [3, 4]. After these works, some studies showed conditions to ensure that the single particle converges [5–9]. Following the conditions, well-known PSO parameters are set in weak stability condition [10].

In previous work, we have proposed an optimization method with chaotic dynamical particles (OSCDP) [11]. The single particle of OSCDP exhibits chaotic motion. OSCDP denotes better performance than PSO even though it does not contain any stochastic terms. Therefore, OSCDP could be a suitable model to discover the relationship between population behavior and its performance. However, the particles are governed by two dynamics, fixed-point dynamics and chaotic dynamics. It makes the system complex.

In this paper, we propose a novel population-based optimization method that based only on chaotic dynamics with information sharing mechanism. The proposed method is simpler than previous proposed method. In the numerical experiments of 19 benchmark functions, the proposed method derived better performance than PSO and OSCDP.

2. Proposed method

This section describes the proposed optimization method. We consider a D -dimensional single object optimization problem. The object function is f . Proposed method searches for an optimal solution evaluating n points by f for each time-step. The i -th searching point at time-step t is denoted by D -dimensional vector as,

$$\mathbf{x}_i(t) = \{x_{i1}(t), x_{i2}(t), \dots, x_{iD}(t)\}. \quad (1)$$

$\mathbf{x}_i(t)$ is calculated by three information, an independent valuable $\mathbf{v}_i(t)$, personal best point \mathbf{pb}_i , and global best point \mathbf{gb} . These variables are denoted as D -dimensional vector as,

$$\mathbf{v}_i(t) = \{v_{i1}(t), v_{i2}(t), \dots, v_{iD}(t)\}, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{pb}_i = \{pb_{i1}, pb_{i2}, \dots, pb_{iD}\}, \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{gb} = \{gb_1, gb_2, \dots, gb_D\}. \quad (4)$$

Proposed method updates $\mathbf{x}_i(t)$, $\mathbf{v}_i(t)$, \mathbf{pb}_i and \mathbf{gb} by following steps.

Step 1, Initialization

All elements of initial searched point $\mathbf{x}_i(0)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, is randomly given. All elements of $\mathbf{v}_i(0)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, is set to zero. \mathbf{pb}_i is set to $\mathbf{x}_i(0)$. \mathbf{gb} is set to \mathbf{pb}_i that gives best fitness value in $f(\mathbf{pb}_1), f(\mathbf{pb}_2), \dots, f(\mathbf{pb}_n)$.

Step 2, Calculating next points of evaluating

Here, let dependent valuable $\mathbf{y}_i(t)$ be $\mathbf{x}_i(t) - \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{gb} - \mathbf{pb}_i)$. The j -th element of $\mathbf{y}_i(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}_i(t)$ are updated by following rule. If $|y_{ij}(t)| < Th_{ij}$ and if $y_{ij}(t)v_{ij}(t) \geq 0$,

$$y_{ij}(t+1) = 2\text{sgn}(y_{ij}(t))Th_{ij} - y_{ij}(t), \quad (5)$$

$$v_{ij}(t+1) = 0, \quad (6)$$

otherwise

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{ij}(t+1) \\ v_{ij}(t+1) \end{bmatrix} = R \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_{ij}(t) \\ v_{ij}(t) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (7)$$

where R and θ are system parameters and $Th_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}|gb_j - pb_{ij}|$. By this rule, next searching points, $\mathbf{x}_i(t+1) = \mathbf{y}_i(t+1) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{gb} - \mathbf{pb}_i)$, are given.

Step 3, Evaluation

Fitness value is given by $f(\mathbf{x}_i(t+1))$. If $f(\mathbf{x}_i(t+1))$ is better than $f(\mathbf{pb}_i)$, $\mathbf{pb}_i = \mathbf{x}_i(t+1)$. Otherwise \mathbf{pb}_i is kept. If $f(\mathbf{pb}_i)$ is better than $f(\mathbf{gb})$, $\mathbf{gb} = \mathbf{pb}_i$. Otherwise \mathbf{gb} is kept.

Step 4, Checking termination

If $t+1$ reaches maximum iteration, \mathbf{gb} is searched solution. Otherwise let t be $t+1$ and continue to Step 2.

3. Results

This section shows comparison results between PSO [12], OSCDP [11] and proposed method. For the comparison, five unimodal and 13 multimodal functions from CEC 2013 test suite [13] are used. The functions are shown in Table 1. Table 2 shows conditions of numerical experiments.

Table 2: Condition of numerical experiments

Condition	Value
Number of Population	30
Size of dimension	30
Maximum iteration	1000
Number of trials	50
Initial searching points	50 sets given by the uniform distributed with range in Table 1

PSO, OSCDP and proposed methods have system parameters. For fair comparison, these parameters were desired to adjust for each function. In this paper, the parameters were selected experimentally using almost same computational cost. Compared methods were run by the sets of parameter described in table 3. The number of combination of parameters is 200, 180 and 180 for PSO, OSCDP and proposed method, respectively. Table 4 shows the parameter sets that denoted the best averaged final fitness values under the condition in table 2. Table 5 shows the averaged final fitness values and the standard deviation.

Table 3: Range of Adjusted parameters

Method	Parameters	Set
PSO	ω	{0.05, 0.15, 0.25, ..., 0.95}
	$c_1 = c_2$	{0.05, 0.15, 0.25, ..., 1.95}
	R	{1.05, 1.25, 1.45, 1.65, 1.85}
OSCDP	$\theta[\text{deg}]$	{1, 11, 21, ..., 81}
	c	{0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8}
Proposed	R	{1.05, 1.15, 1.25, ..., 1.95}
	$\theta[\text{deg}]$	{1, 6, 11, ..., 86}

Table 4: Adjusted parameters

f	PSO		OSCDP			SymCDP	
	ω	$c_1 = c_2$	R	$\theta[\text{deg}]$	c	R	$\theta[\text{deg}]$
f_1	0.450	1.95	1.25	51.0	0.400	1.45	71.0
f_2	0.950	0.350	1.25	61.0	0.400	1.25	51.0
f_3	0.850	1.05	1.25	51.0	0.200	1.35	51.0
f_4	0.950	0.250	1.05	11.0	0.800	1.05	1.00
f_5	0.650	1.65	1.25	51.0	0.600	1.45	86.0
f_6	0.550	1.85	1.25	51.0	0.400	1.55	71.0
f_7	0.950	0.350	1.25	61.0	0.200	1.25	36.0
f_8	0.650	1.15	1.25	61.0	0.400	1.35	46.0
f_9	0.950	0.450	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.25	31.0
f_{10}	0.650	1.65	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.35	66.0
f_{11}	0.650	1.85	1.25	41.0	0.600	1.25	26.0
f_{12}	0.850	1.05	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.45	46.0
f_{13}	0.950	0.450	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.25	26.0
f_{14}	0.550	1.85	1.25	71.0	0.800	1.75	86.0
f_{15}	0.950	0.250	1.05	21.0	0.400	1.15	31.0
f_{16}	0.550	1.95	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.45	46.0
f_{17}	0.750	1.35	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.45	66.0
f_{18}	0.550	1.95	1.25	61.0	0.800	1.35	41.0
f_{19}	0.550	1.65	1.25	81.0	0.200	1.45	46.0

Table 6 shows two sample t-test [14] results at 0.05 significant level between PSO and proposed method. The proposed method denotes significantly better fitness values with 9 functions. PSO denotes significantly better fitness with a function. Table 7 shows the t-test between OSCDP and proposed method. Proposed method and OSCDP denotes significantly better fitness than another with 14 functions and a function, respectively.

4. Conclusion

In this paper we proposed a novel optimization method that updates multi searching points based on chaotic dynamics with information sharing mechanism. The basic performance was compared with PSO and OSCDP by 19 benchmark functions. Proposed method derived significantly better performance than PSO and OSCDP with 9 and 14 functions, respectively. The analysis of the chaotic dynamics is one of the future topics.

Table 1: Benchmark functions

Suite	Type	f	Functions	Optimal fitness	Search range
CEC13	Unimodal	f_1	Sphere	-1400	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Unimodal	f_2	Rotated High Conditioned Elliptic	-1300	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Unimodal	f_3	Rotated Bent Cigar	-1200	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Unimodal	f_4	Rotated Discus	-1100	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Unimodal	f_5	Different Powers	-1000	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_6	Rotated Rosenbrock's	-900	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_7	Rotated Schaffers F7	-800	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_8	Rotated Ackley's	-700	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_9	Rotated Weierstrass	-600	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{10}	Rotated Griewank's	-500	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{11}	Rastrigin's	-400	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{12}	Rotated Rastrigin's	-300	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{13}	Non-Continuous Rotated Rastrigin's	-200	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{14}	Schwefel's	-100	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{15}	Rotated Schwefel's	100	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{16}	Lunacek Bi.Rastrigin	300	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{17}	Rotated Lunacek Bi.Rastrigin	400	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{18}	Expanded Griewank's plus Rosenbrock's	500	$[-100, 100]^D$
CEC13	Multimodal	f_{19}	Expanded Scaffer's F6	600	$[-100, 100]^D$

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Table 5: Benchmark results

The values with * denote the best value for each function.

f		PSO	OSCDP	Proposed
f_1	ave	* -1.40e+03	-1.40e+03	-1.40e+03
	std	* 3.25e-13	1.39e-06	6.02e-13
f_2	ave	* 3.92e+06	8.86e+06	3.96e+06
	std	* 2.04e+06	5.20e+06	2.18e+06
f_3	ave	4.32e+09	8.92e+09	* 1.42e+09
	std	5.28e+09	6.56e+09	* 1.66e+09
f_4	ave	5.15e+04	* 4.96e+04	5.72e+04
	std	1.49e+04	1.54e+04	* 6.80e+03
f_5	ave	-1.00e+03	-1.00e+03	* -1.00e+03
	std	1.21e-08	2.24e-04	* 4.39e-11
f_6	ave	-8.69e+02	-8.64e+02	* -8.69e+02
	std	1.74e+01	2.32e+01	* 1.60e+01
f_7	ave	-6.54e+02	-6.56e+02	* -6.67e+02
	std	4.63e+01	* 3.74e+01	4.01e+01
f_8	ave	* -6.79e+02	-6.79e+02	-6.79e+02
	std	8.25e-02	* 6.13e-02	7.37e-02
f_9	ave	-5.72e+02	* -5.73e+02	-5.73e+02
	std	* 3.11e+00	5.00e+00	5.46e+00
f_{10}	ave	-4.99e+02	-4.97e+02	* -5.00e+02
	std	7.93e-01	1.56e+00	* 2.13e-01
f_{11}	ave	-3.50e+02	-3.27e+02	* -3.51e+02
	std	* 1.50e+01	2.03e+01	1.76e+01
f_{12}	ave	-1.54e+02	-1.55e+02	* -2.08e+02
	std	4.91e+01	4.51e+01	* 2.87e+01
f_{13}	ave	3.22e+01	2.63e+01	* -1.21e+01
	std	4.92e+01	5.10e+01	* 4.31e+01
f_{14}	ave	1.97e+03	2.47e+03	* 1.85e+03
	std	* 4.17e+02	4.70e+02	5.19e+02
f_{15}	ave	4.39e+03	4.51e+03	* 4.23e+03
	std	7.83e+02	7.83e+02	* 7.83e+02
f_{16}	ave	4.09e+02	4.38e+02	* 3.93e+02
	std	2.66e+01	3.34e+01	* 2.01e+01
f_{17}	ave	6.07e+02	6.48e+02	* 5.59e+02
	std	5.41e+01	7.33e+01	* 4.47e+01
f_{18}	ave	5.07e+02	5.09e+02	* 5.05e+02
	std	2.26e+00	4.36e+00	* 1.29e+00
f_{19}	ave	6.13e+02	6.14e+02	* 6.13e+02
	std	1.02e+00	8.90e-01	* 8.50e-01

Table 6: t-test between symcdp and pso

f	Test statistic, t	Probability, $P(t)$	Significantly better method
f_1	0.000	5.000e-01	
f_2	0.076	5.302e-01	
f_3	-3.706	2.348e-04	Proposed
f_4	2.459	9.918e-01	PSO
f_5	-4.407	2.854e-05	Proposed
f_6	-0.067	4.734e-01	
f_7	-1.515	6.656e-02	
f_8	1.463	9.266e-01	
f_9	-1.053	1.477e-01	
f_{10}	-3.178	1.206e-03	Proposed
f_{11}	-0.253	4.003e-01	
f_{12}	-6.703	1.377e-09	Proposed
f_{13}	-4.792	2.999e-06	Proposed
f_{14}	-1.276	1.026e-01	
f_{15}	-0.994	1.614e-01	
f_{16}	-3.389	5.189e-04	Proposed
f_{17}	-4.808	2.868e-06	Proposed
f_{18}	-5.781	7.313e-08	Proposed
f_{19}	-1.955	2.679e-02	Proposed

Table 7: t-test between symcdp and oscdp

f	Test statistic, t	Probability, $P(t)$	Significantly better method
f_1	-3.782	2.120e-04	Proposed
f_2	-6.147	2.622e-08	Proposed
f_3	-7.832	8.004e-11	Proposed
f_4	3.189	9.989e-01	OSCDP
f_5	-5.796	2.411e-07	Proposed
f_6	-1.229	1.113e-01	
f_7	-1.388	8.414e-02	
f_8	0.074	5.293e-01	
f_9	0.437	6.685e-01	
f_{10}	-11.201	1.229e-15	Proposed
f_{11}	-6.082	1.201e-08	Proposed
f_{12}	-6.976	3.398e-10	Proposed
f_{13}	-4.069	4.871e-05	Proposed
f_{14}	-6.312	4.118e-09	Proposed
f_{15}	-1.786	3.857e-02	Proposed
f_{16}	-8.118	2.282e-12	Proposed
f_{17}	-7.309	8.481e-11	Proposed
f_{18}	-7.219	6.538e-10	Proposed
f_{19}	-3.628	2.283e-04	Proposed