

# Package ‘particle.swarm.optimisation’

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**Title** Optimisation with Particle Swarm Optimisation

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**Description** A toolbox to create a particle swarm optimisation (PSO), the package contains two classes: the Particle and the Particle Swarm, this two class is used to run the PSO with methods to easily print, plot and save the result.

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**Particle***Particle*

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## Description

Class for the Particles used in the Particle Swarm Optimisation, It is call by the Particle Swarm object to make the population.

## Active bindings

- values\_ranges (list) max and min for each value of the particle
- values (numeric) values of the particle (his position in space)
- fitness (numeric) fitness of the particle (his score)
- fitness\_function (function) function used to find the fitness
- personal\_best\_values (numeric) Best values of the particle
- personal\_best\_fitness (numeric) Fitness of the best values
- velocity (numeric) Velocity of the particle (one velocity for each values)
- acceleration\_coefficient (numeric) coefficient c1 and c2 (for personal and global best)
- inertia (numeric) inertia of the particle

## Methods

### Public methods:

- [Particle\\$new\(\)](#)
- [Particle\\$get\\_fitness\(\)](#)
- [Particle\\$update\(\)](#)
- [Particle\\$update\\_personal\\_best\\_fitness\(\)](#)
- [Particle\\$print\(\)](#)
- [Particle\\$clone\(\)](#)

**Method new():** Create a new Particle object.

*Usage:*

```
Particle$new(
    values_ranges,
    values,
    fitness_function,
    acceleration_coefficient,
    inertia
)
```

*Arguments:*

values\_ranges range for each value of the particle (min and max), his size need to be the same as values. (List)

values, values of the particles. (numeric)  
fitness\_function function used to test the Particle and find his fitness. (function)  
acceleration\_coefficient a vector of two values, one for c1 (the personal coefficient), and  
one for c2 (the global coefficient). (numeric)  
inertia The inertia of the particle (the influence of the previous velocity on the next velocity).  
(numeric)

*Returns:* A new Particle object.

**Method** get\_fitness(): Calculate the fitness of the particle with the fitness function and save it in self\$fitness

*Usage:*

Particle\$get\_fitness()

*Returns:* self

**Method** update(): Update Particle's position and velocity.

*Usage:*

Particle\$update(swarm\_best)

*Arguments:*

swarm\_best the best values of the swarm used to update the velocity

*Returns:* self

**Method** update\_personal\_best\_fitness(): Update the Particle's best values and fitness.

*Usage:*

Particle\$update\_personal\_best\_fitness()

*Returns:* self

**Method** print(): print the current values of the particle and his fitness

*Usage:*

Particle\$print()

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

Particle\$clone(deep = FALSE)

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```
# If you use the Particle Swarm Object there is no need to manually create the Particle
# But if you want to use the Particle for another project:

# In this example we use the PSO to solve the following equation:
# a * 5 + b * 25 + 10 = 15

fitness_function <- function(values){
```

```

a <- values[1]
b <- values[2]
particule_result <- a*5 + b*25 + 10
difference <- 15 - particule_result
fitness <- 1 - abs(difference)
return(fitness)
}

values_ranges <- list(c(-10^3,10^3),c(-10^3,10^3))

particle_example <- Particle$new(values_ranges = values_ranges,
                                    values = c(0,0),
                                    fitness_function = fitness_function,
                                    acceleration_coefficient = c(0.5,0.5),
                                    inertia = 0.4)
print(particle_example)
particle_example$get_fitness()
print(particle_example)
particle_example$update(c(10,25))
print(particle_example)

```

**ParticleSwarm*****Swarm*****Description**

Particle Swarm, used to launch the Particle Swarm Optimisation, The PSO is used to maximise the fitness.

**Active bindings**

- pop\_size (numeric) number of particles in the swarm
- ranges\_of\_values (list) range for each value for the particle
- values\_names (list) list of names for each value (optionnal)
- pop (list) list of particle in the swarm
- fitness\_function (function) fitness function used to find the fitness of the particle
- list\_fitness (list) list of fitness of the particles
- max\_it (numeric) maximum number of iteration
- acceleration\_coefficient\_range (list) coefficient c1 and c2 for the particles
- swarm\_best\_fitness (numeric) best fitness of the swarm
- swarm\_best\_values (numeric) values of the particle with the best fitness
- inertia (numeric) inertia of the particles

## Methods

### Public methods:

- `ParticleSwarm$new()`
- `ParticleSwarm$run()`
- `ParticleSwarm$generate_pop()`
- `ParticleSwarm$move_the_swarm()`
- `ParticleSwarm$save_pop()`
- `ParticleSwarm$plot_the_swarm_2D()`
- `ParticleSwarm$plot_the_swarm_3D()`
- `ParticleSwarm$print()`
- `ParticleSwarm$clone()`

**Method new():** Create a new ParticleSwarm object.

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$new(
  pop_size,
  values_names,
  fitness_function,
  max_it,
  acceleration_coefficient_range,
  inertia,
  ranges_of_values
)
```

*Arguments:*

`pop_size` number of individu in the swarm. (numeric)

`values_names` list of names for each value (character)

`fitness_function` function used to test the Particle and find his fitness. (function)

`max_it` Maximum number of iteration for the PSO. (numeric)

`acceleration_coefficient_range` a vector of four values (min and max for c1 and c2) (numeric)

`inertia` The inertia for the particle (the influence of the previous velocity on the next velocity). (numeric)

`ranges_of_values` range for each value of the particle (min and max). (List)

*Returns:* A new ParticleSwarm object.

*Examples:*

```
# Create a ParticleSwarm object
swarm <- ParticleSwarm$new(pop_size=20,
                           values_names=c('a','b'),
                           max_it=20,
                           fitness_function = function(values){return(values[1]+values[2])},
                           acceleration_coefficient=list(c(0.5,1),c(0.5,1)),
                           inertia=0.5,
                           ranges_of_values=list(c(-100,100),c(-100,100)))
```

**Method** `run()`: Make the Particle Swarm Optimisation

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$run(
  verbose = TRUE,
  plot = TRUE,
  save_file = FALSE,
  dir_name = "PSO_pop"
)
```

*Arguments:*

`verbose` print the different step (iteration and individual)

`plot` plot the result of each iteration (only for 2D or 3D problem)

`save_file` save the population of each Iteration in a file and save the plot if `plot=TRUE`

`dir_name` name of the directory, default value is PSO\_pop

*Returns:* self

*Examples:*

```
# Create a ParticleSwarm object
swarm <- ParticleSwarm$new(pop_size=20,
                           values_names=c('a','b'),
                           max_it=20,
                           fitness_function = function(values){return(values[1]+values[2])},
                           acceleration_coefficient=list(c(0.5,1),c(0.5,1)),
                           inertia=0.5,
                           ranges_of_values=list(c(-100,100),c(-100,100)))

# run the PSO
swarm$run(verbose = FALSE,
          plot = FALSE,
          save_file = FALSE)
# return the best result:
print(swarm$swarm_best_values)
```

**Method** `generate_pop()`: create the population of the swarm (this method is automatically called by the run method)

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$generate_pop(verbose = TRUE)
```

*Arguments:*

`verbose` print the advancement or not

*Returns:* self

**Method** `move_the_swarm()`: The method used to change the location of each particle (this method is automatically called by the run method)

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$move_the_swarm(verbose)
```

*Arguments:*

`verbose` print or not the advancement

*Returns:* self

**Method** save\_pop(): The method used to save the values and fitness of the population in a CSV file (this method is automatically called by the run method if you have chosen to save the result)

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$save_pop(nb_it, dir_name)
```

*Arguments:*

nb\_it number of the iteration, used to create the name of the csv file

dir\_name Name of the directory

*Returns:* self

**Method** plot\_the\_swarm\_2D(): method used to plot a 2D plot (this method is automatically called by the run method if you have chosen to plot the swarm)

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$plot_the_swarm_2D(nb_it, save_file)
```

*Arguments:*

nb\_it number of the iteration used to save the plot as a png

save\_file save the plot as a file

*Returns:* self

**Method** plot\_the\_swarm\_3D(): method used to plot a 3D plot

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$plot_the_swarm_3D(nb_it, save_file)
```

*Arguments:*

nb\_it number of the iteration used to save the plot as a png (this method is automatically called by the run method if you have chosen to plot the swarm)

save\_file save the plot as a file

*Returns:* self

**Method** print(): Print the current result of the population

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm/print()
```

**Method** clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

*Usage:*

```
ParticleSwarm$clone(deep = FALSE)
```

*Arguments:*

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

## Examples

```

# In this example we use the PSO to solve the following equation:
# a * 5 + b * 25 + 10 = 15

fitness_function <- function(values){
  a <- values[1]
  b <- values[2]
  particule_result <- a*5 + b*25 + 10
  difference <- 15 - particule_result
  fitness <- 1 - abs(difference)
  return(fitness)
}

values_ranges <- list(c(-10^3,10^3),c(-10^3,10^3))

swarm <- ParticleSwarm$new(pop_size = 200,
                           values_names = list("a","b"),
                           fitness_function = fitness_function,
                           max_it = 75,
                           acceleration_coefficient_range = list(c(0,1),c(0,1)),
                           inertia = 0.5,
                           ranges_of_values = values_ranges)
swarm$run(plot = FALSE,verbose = FALSE,save_file = FALSE)
# the solution is :
swarm$swarm_best_values
swarm$swarm_best_values[[1]]*5 + swarm$swarm_best_values[[2]] *25 + 10

## -----
## Method `ParticleSwarm$new`
## -----


# Create a ParticleSwarm object
swarm <- ParticleSwarm$new(pop_size=20,
                           values_names=c('a','b'),
                           max_it=20,
                           fitness_function = function(values){return(values[1]+values[2])},
                           acceleration_coefficient=list(c(0.5,1),c(0.5,1)),
                           inertia=0.5,
                           ranges_of_values=list(c(-100,100),c(-100,100)))

## -----
## Method `ParticleSwarm$run`
## -----


# Create a ParticleSwarm object
swarm <- ParticleSwarm$new(pop_size=20,
                           values_names=c('a','b'),
                           max_it=20,
                           fitness_function = function(values){return(values[1]+values[2])},
                           acceleration_coefficient=list(c(0.5,1),c(0.5,1)),
                           inertia=0.5,
                           ranges_of_values=list(c(-100,100),c(-100,100)))

```

```
# run the PSO
swarm$run(verbose = FALSE,
           plot = FALSE,
           save_file = FALSE)
# return the best result:
print(swarm$swarm_best_values)
```

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