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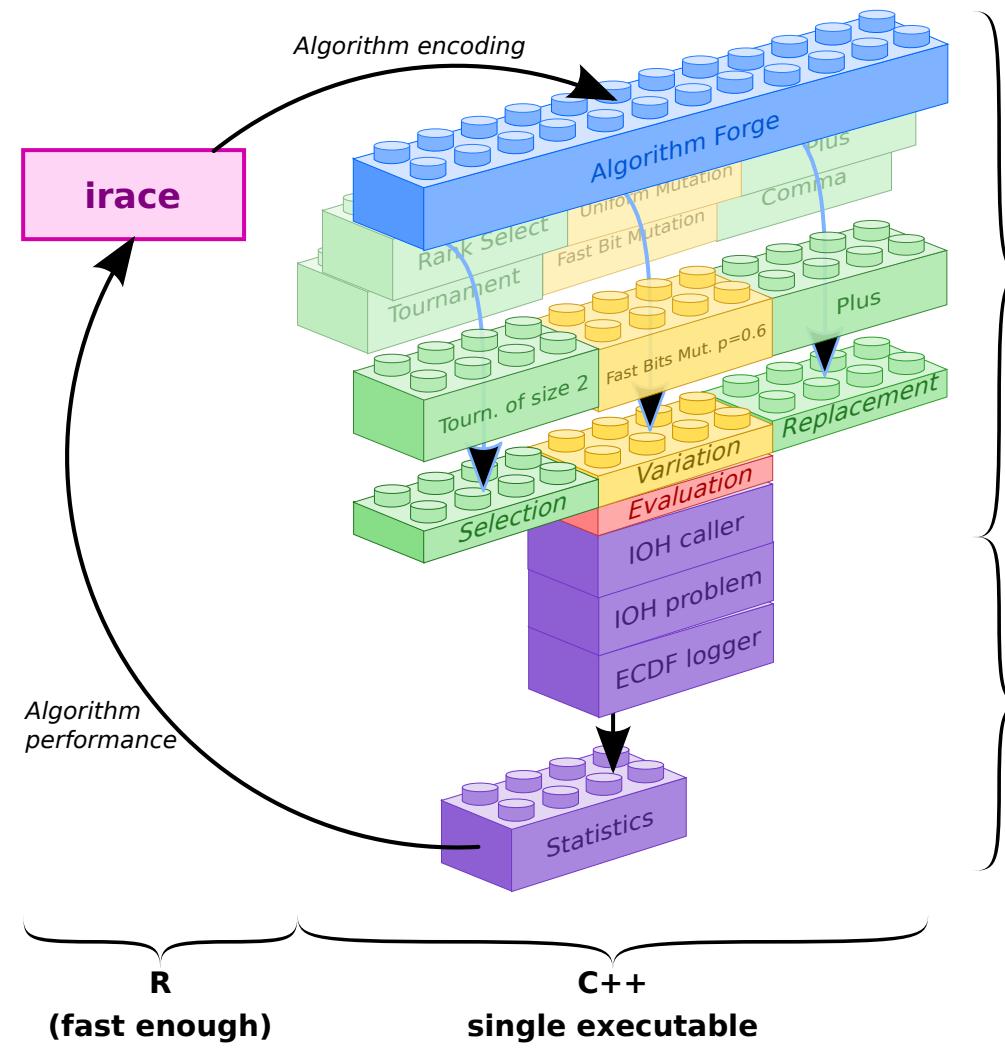
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<https://nojhan.github.io/paradiseo/>
<https://iohprofiler.github.io/>
<https://mlopez-ibanez.github.io/irace/>

1. Fast Automated Pipeline



100 000 runs for each of 19 problems
in 3 hours on a laptop

(at least 10 times faster than optimized C/Python/Numpy counterpart)

Very fast runs,
very expressive models,
(for *algorithms* and *performance*)
standardized results data,
that can be easily explored,
Open-source.

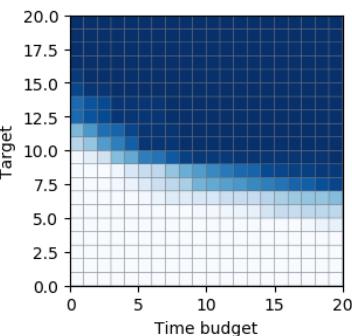
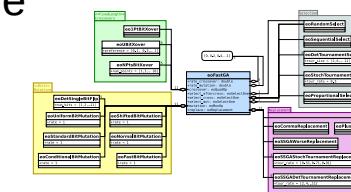
2. Killer Features

- Large set of Parametrized Components +
- Large Algorithms Families +
- Expressive Benchmark Generators +
- Expressive Performances Statistics +
- Automatic Configurator Interface +
- Comprehensive Behaviour Logging +
- Data Export to Interactive Analyzer

3. Example

Algo. : FastGA ≈ 6e8 algorithms
Bench.: W-models = 19 problems w. invariance instances
Stat. : 2D Quality/Time log ECDH volume

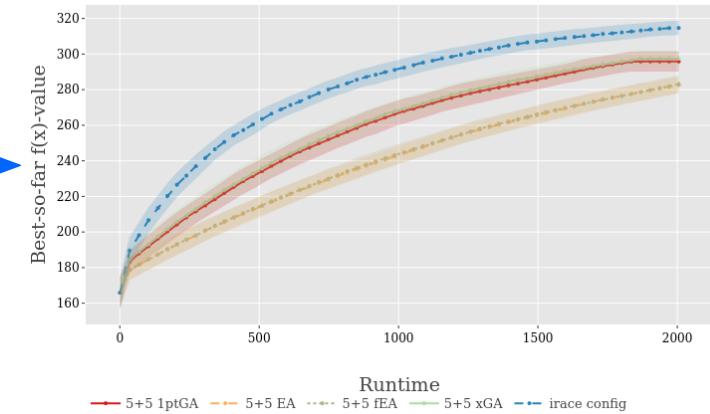
Per-instance configuration with irace.



4. Results

Elite algo outperforms baselines

Elite operators vary across problems



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5. Perspectives

- Interfaces toward other configuration solvers.
- Even larger studies.
- Even more algorithms/operators.
- Even more benchmarks.
- Grammar-based/bottom-up framework.
- Assessing the contribution of new ideas in interplay with operators and parameters.
- Stop thinking of "algorithms" and think of "combination of parametrized operators".

6. Learn More

Amine Aziz-Alaoui, Carola Doerr, Johann Dreo: **"Towards large scale automated algorithm design by integrating modular benchmarking frameworks"**, GECCO Companion 2021: 1365-1374.
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