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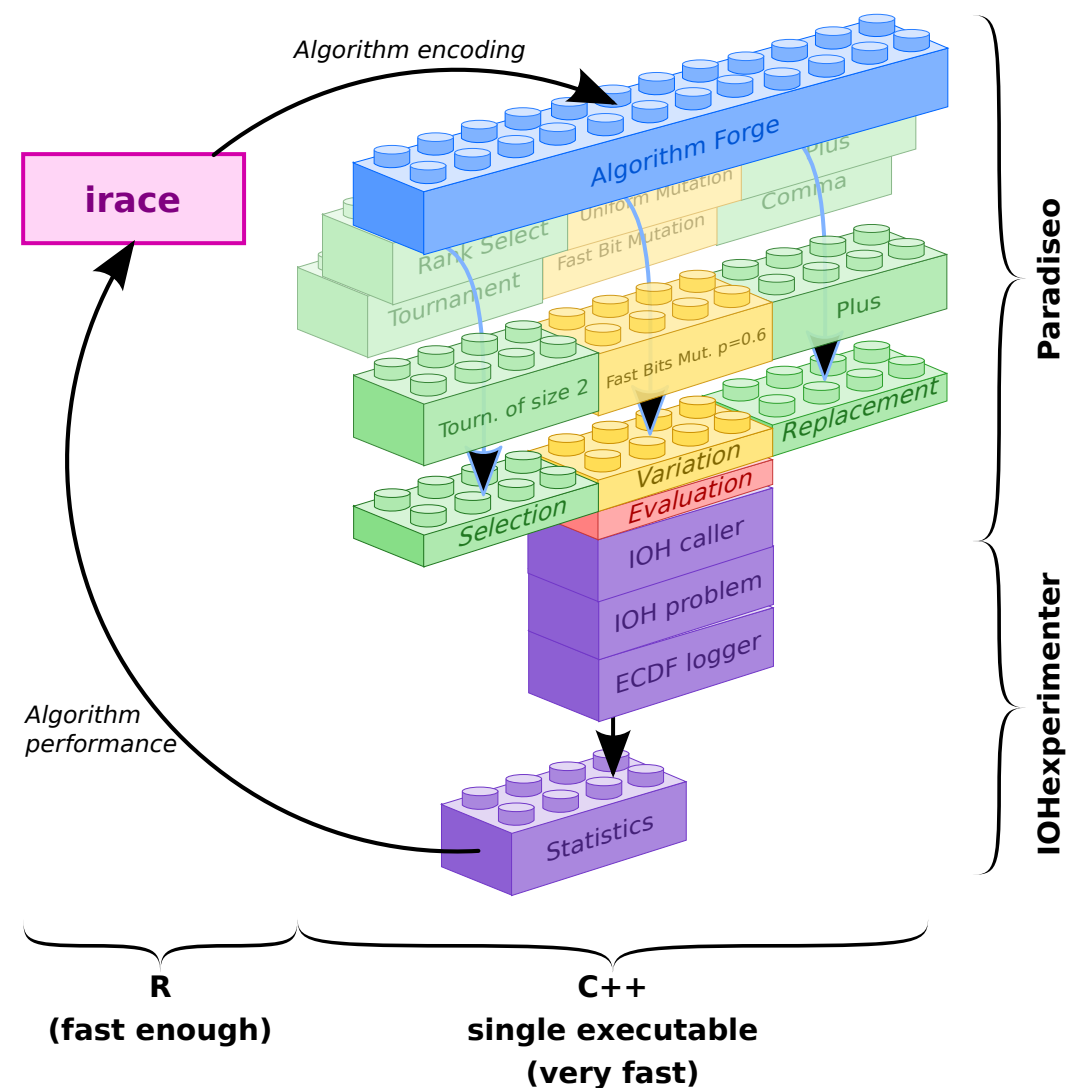
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<https://nojhan.github.io/paradiseo/>  
<https://iohprofiler.github.io/>  
<https://mlopez-ibanez.github.io/irace/>

## 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.

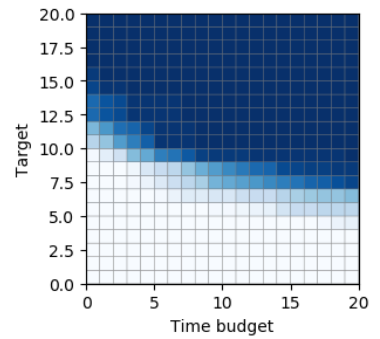
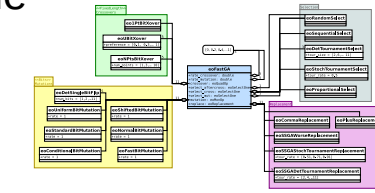
## 2. Killer Features

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

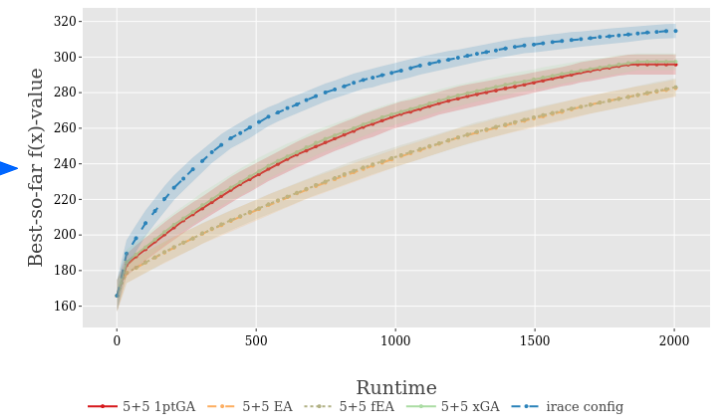
Per-instance configuration with irace.



## 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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