

Compilation of Results on the 2005 CEC Benchmark Function Set

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A Note on Evaluation Criteria

- **Quantitative performance measurements**, the Success Performance, abbreviated SP or FEs, is used as a measure for the expected number of function evaluations to reach a target function value.
- **Invariance** is a non-empirical statement on the ability to generalize performance results. Invariance guarantees identical performance on a class of functions. Possible invariances are
 - invariance against translation, scaling, or even order preserving transformations of the **objective function value**
 - invariance against angle preserving (rigid) transformations of the **search space** (translation, rotation)
- **Meta-Parameters**
 - how many parameters of the algorithm need to be adjusted to the object function?
 - how many different setups were tested?
 - how many different setups were finally used?

Methods

- task: black-box optimization of 25 benchmark functions
- 25 runs on each benchmark function for each dimension $n = 10, 30$
- a run is **successful** if the global optimum is reached with the given precision, before the
- maximum number of function evaluations

$$F_{\text{E}}^{\text{max}} = \begin{cases} 10^5 & \text{for } n = 10 \\ 3 \times 10^5 & \text{for } n = 30 \end{cases} \text{ is reached}$$

Remark

the setting of $F_{\text{E}}^{\text{max}}$ has a remarkable influence on the results, if the target function value can be reached only for a (slightly) larger number of function evaluations with a high probability. **Where $F_{\text{Es}} \geq F_{\text{E}}^{\text{max}}$ the result must be taken with great care.**

Reference

Suganthan, Hansen, Liang, Deb, Chen, Auger, and Tiwari (2005). *Problem Definitions and Evaluation Criteria for the CEC 2005 Special Session on Real-Parameter Optimization*, Technical report, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, May 2005, <http://www.ntu.edu.sg/home/EPNSugan>

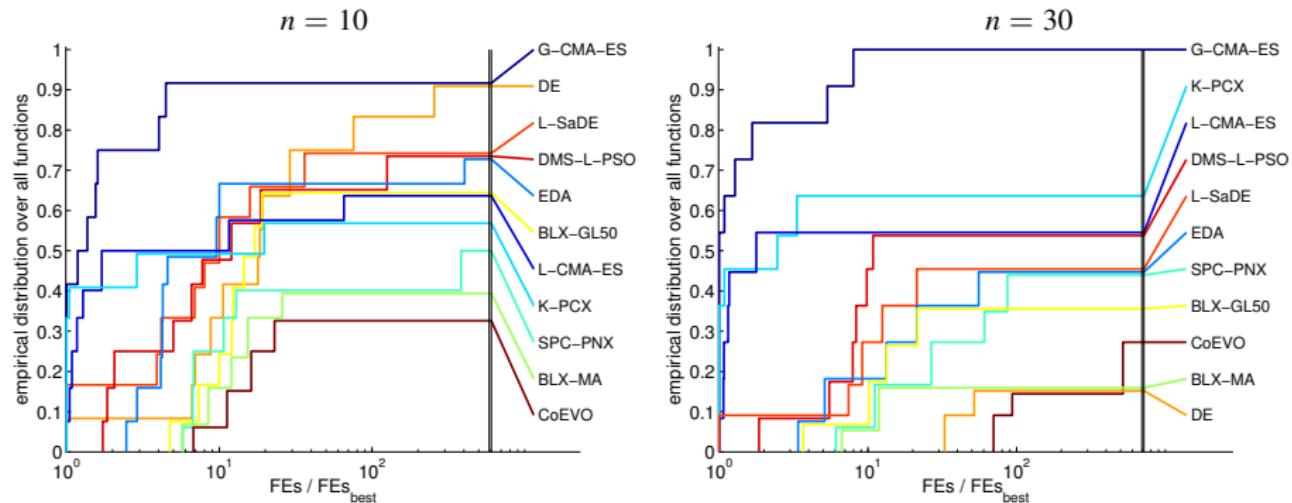
References to Algorithms

BLX-GL50	García-Martínez and Lozano (Hybrid Real-Coded...)
BLX-MA	Molina et al. (Adaptive Local Search...)
CoEVO	Pošík (Real-Parameter Optimization...)
DE	Rönkkönen et al. (Real-Parameter Optimization...)
DMS-L-PSO	Liang and Suganthan (Dynamic Multi-Swarm...)
EDA	Yuan and Gallagher (Experimental Results...)
G-CMA-ES	Auger and Hansen (A Restart CMA...)
K-PCX	Sinha et al. (A Population-Based,...)
L-CMA-ES	Auger and Hansen (Performance Evaluation...)
L-SaDE	Qin and Suganthan (Self-Adaptive Differential...)
SPC-PNX	Ballester et al. (Real-Parameter Optimization...)

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Summarized Results

Empirical Distribution of Normalized Success Performance



$F/E = \text{mean}(\#fevals) \times \frac{\#\text{all runs (25)}}{\#\text{successful runs}}$, where $\#fevals$ includes only successful runs.

Shown: **empirical distribution function** of the Success Performance F/E s divided by F/E s of the best algorithm on the respective function.

Results of all functions are used where at least one algorithm was successful at least once, i.e. where the target function value was reached in at least one experiment (out of 11×25 experiments).

Small values for F/E s and therefore large (cumulative frequency) values in the graphs are preferable.

Function Sets

We split the function set into three subsets

- unimodal functions
- solved multimodal functions
 - at least one algorithm conducted at least one successful run
- unsolved multimodal functions
 - no single run was successful for any algorithm

Unimodal Functions

Normalized Success Performance, Tabulated

$n = 10$, $\text{FE}_{\max} = 100000$

1 Sphere 2 Schwefel 1.2 3 Ellipsoid Condition 10^6 4 Schwefel 1.2 with Noise
 5 Schwefel 2.6 on Bounds 6 Rosenbrock

	solved functions	success rate	1000	2400	6500	2900	5900	7100
G-CMA-ES	6	100%	1.6(25)	1.0(25)	1.0(25)	1.0(25)	1.0(25)	1.5(25)
EDA	6	97%	10.0(25)	4.6(25)	2.5(23)	4.1(25)	4.2(25)	9.6(22)
DE	6	96%	29.0(25)	19.2(25)	18.5(20)	17.9(25)	6.9(25)	6.6(24)
L-CMA-ES	6	88%	1.7(25)	1.1(25)	1.0(25)	65.5(7)	1.0(25)	1.3(25)
BLX-GL50	5	83%	19.0(25)	17.1(25)	[9]	14.5(25)	4.7(25)	7.3(25)
DMS-L-PSO	5	80%	12.0(25)	5.0(25)	1.8(25)	[11]	18.6(20)	7.7(25)
L-SaDE	5	77%	10.0(25)	4.2(25)	8.0(16)	15.9(24)	[9]	6.9(25)
SPC-PNX	4	67%	6.7(25)	12.9(25)	[11]	10.7(25)	6.8(25)	[10]
CoEVO	4	67%	23.0(25)	11.3(25)	6.8(25)	16.2(25)	[10]	[11]
K-PCX	4	62%	1.0(25)	1.0(25)	[8]	19.7(21)	[11]	1.0(22)
BLX-MA	3	49%	12.0(25)	15.4(25)	[10]	25.9(24)	[8]	[9]

- **First row:** Success Performance $\text{FEs} = \text{mean}(\#\text{fevals}) \times \frac{\#\text{all runs (25)}}{\#\text{successful runs}}$ of the best algorithm, where **#fevals** includes only successful runs
- **Table entries:** Success Performance FEs divided by FEs of the best algorithm (first row), (number of successful runs in round brackets), [rank of median final function value, where FEs is not available, in square brackets]

Unimodal Functions

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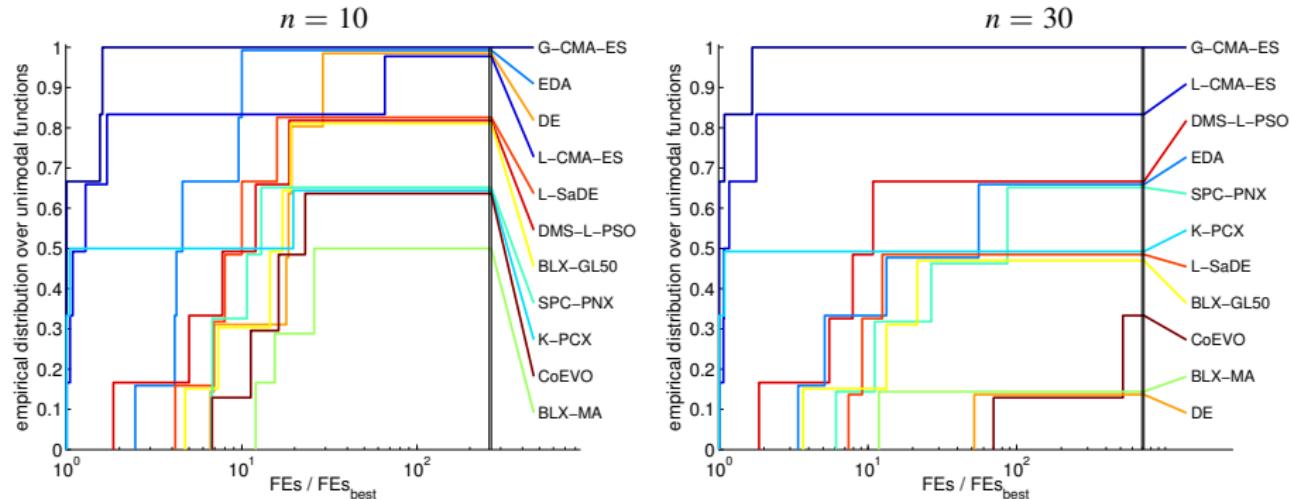
$n = 30$, FE_{max} = 300000

	solved functions	success rate	1 Sphere	2 Schwefel 1.2	3 Ellipsoid Condition 10 ⁶	4 Schwefel 1.2 with Noise	5 Schwefel 2.6 on Bounds	6 Rosenbrock
G-CMA-ES	6	90%	1.7(25)	1.1(25)	1.0(25)	1.0(10)	1.0(25)	1.0(25)
L-CMA-ES	5	83%	1.8(25)	1.2(25)	1.0(25)	[11]	1.1(25)	1.1(25)
EDA	4	67%	55.6(25)	13.3(25)	5.1(25)	3.4(25)	[3]	[10]
DMS-L-PSO	4	63%	1.9(25)	10.8(25)	7.9(21)	[9]	[9]	5.5(24)
BLX-GL50	3	50%	21.5(25)	13.3(25)	[7]	[6]	[6]	3.7(25)
SPC-PNX	4	45%	11.1(25)	26.7(22)	[11]	6.1(19)	[10]	86.7 (1)
K-PCX	3	43%	1.0(25)	1.0(25)	[6]	[8]	[7]	1.1(14)
L-SaDE	3	41%	7.4(25)	12.5(24)	[8]	9.2(13)	[4]	[8]
BLX-MA	1	17%	11.9(25)	[10]	[10]	[7]	[7]	[8]
DE	1	17%	51.9(25)	[11]	[9]	[5]	[5]	[7]
CoEVO	2	7%	519 (3)	70.0 (8)	[5]	[10]	[11]	[11]

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Unimodal Functions

Empirical Distribution of Normalized Success Performance



Empirical distribution function of the Success Performance FEs divided by FEs of the best algorithm (table entries of last slides).

FEs = $\text{mean}(\#fevals) \times \frac{\#\text{all runs (25)}}{\#\text{successful runs}}$, where $\#fevals$ includes only successful runs.

Small values of FEs and therefore large values in the empirical distribution graphs are preferable.

Solved Multimodal Functions

Normalized Success Performance, Tabulated

		Success Performance						
		1 Griewank out Bounds	9 Rastrigin Separable	10 Rastrigin Rotated	11 Weierstrass	12 Schwefel 2.13	15 Hybrid Separable	
	solved functions	success rate	4700	17000	55000	190000	8200	33000
G-CMA-ES	5	63%	1.0(25)	4.5(19)	1.2(23)	1.4(6)	4.0(22)	[6]
L-SaDE	4	53%	36.2(6)	1.0(25)	[5]	[8]	3.9(25)	1.0(23)
DMS-L-PSO	4	47%	126 (4)	2.1(25)	[3]	[7]	6.6(19)	1.7(22)
K-PCX	3	40%	[10]	2.9(24)	1.0(22)	[10]	1.0(14)	[11]
DE	5	30%	255 (2)	10.6(11)	[9]	1.0(12)	8.8(19)	75.8(1)
L-CMA-ES	2	25%	1.2(25)	[11]	[10]	[6]	11.6(12)	[6]
BLX-GL50	3	17%	12.3(9)	10.0(3)	[5]	[5]	12.1(13)	[9]
BLX-MA	2	15%	[11]	5.7(18)	[7]	[9]	[9]	8.5(5)
EDA	3	9%	404 (1)	[9]	[4]	2.9(3)	4.3(10)	[9]
SPC-PNX	2	1%	383 (1)	[8]	[8]	5.8(1)	[10]	[6]
CoEVO	0	0%	[9]	[10]	[11]	[11]	[11]	[8]

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- **Table entries:** Success Performance F_{ES} **normalized** (divided by the first row, (number of successful runs in round brackets), [rank of median final function value, where F_{ES} is not available, in square brackets])

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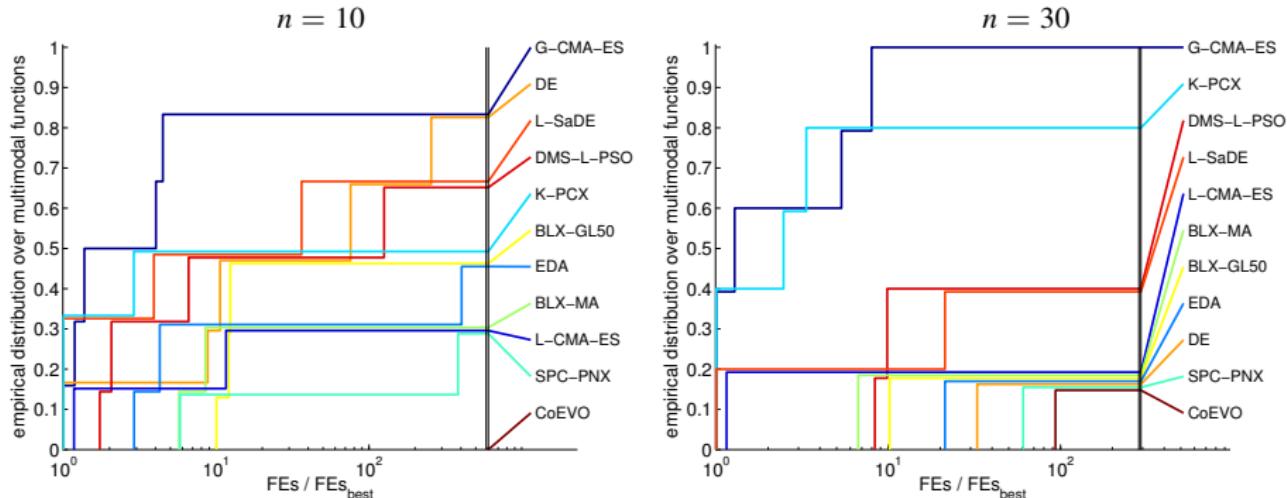
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	solved functions	success rate	6100	99000	450000	5000000	180000	1 Griewank out Bounds	9 Rastrigin Separable	10 Rastrigin Rotated	11 Weierstrass	12 Schwefel 2.13	15 Hybrid Separable
K-PCX	4	38%	2.5(10)	3.3(18)	1.0(14)	[7]	1.0(5)	[11]					
G-CMA-ES	5	37%	1.0(25)	8.0(9)	5.3(3)	1.0(1)	1.3(8)	[1]					
L-SaDE	2	36%	21.3(20)	1.0(25)	[4]	[5]	[4]	[2]					
DMS-L-PSO	2	22%	9.8(24)	[6]	[5]	[5]	8.3(4)	[4]					
EDA	1	20%	21.3(25)	[10]	[9]	[10]	[7]	[4]					
BLX-GL50	1	20%	10.2(25)	[5]	[3]	[4]	[8]	[4]					
DE	1	20%	32.8(22)	[6]	[6]	[10]	[5]	[8]					
L-CMA-ES	1	20%	1.1(25)	[11]	[11]	[3]	[9]	[8]					
SPC-PNX	1	13%	60.7(16)	[8]	[7]	[2]	[10]	[8]					
CoEVO	1	9%	93.4(11)	[9]	[10]	[9]	[11]	[10]					
BLX-MA	1	7%	[11]	6.7(9)	[8]	[8]	[6]	[4]					

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Never Solved Multimodal Functions

Rank of Final Function Value

$n = 10$, $\text{FE}_{\max} = 10^5$

	mean	8 Ackley Condition 10 ²	13 Expanded 6&7	14 Expanded Schaffer F6	16 Hybrid Rotated	17 Hybrid with Noise	18 Hybrid F18	19 Hybrid Narrow	20 Hybrid on Bounds	21 Hybrid F21	22 Hybrid High Condition	23 Hybrid Non-Continuous	24 Hybrid F24	25 Hybrid out Bo
G-CMA-ES	3.8	5.5	4	7	1	5.5	3	2.5	2.5	5.5	1.5	4	5	2.5
BLX-GL50	4.2	5.5	6	1.5	2.5	3	3	2.5	2.5	5.5	5.5	4	5	8.5
L-SaDE	5.3	5.5	1	6	5.5	3	8	7.5	7.5	5.5	5.5	4	5	4.5
DMS-L-PSO	5.7	5.5	2	3.5	4	3	8	7.5	7.5	5.5	5.5	8	5	8.5
L-CMA-ES	6.0	5.5	3	11	7.5	11	6	5	5	1	3	4	11	4.5
SPC-PNX	6.2	11	8	8	7.5	5.5	3	2.5	2.5	5.5	9	4	5	8.5
EDA	6.2	5.5	10	5	9	8	3	7.5	7.5	5.5	8	4	5	2.5
BLX-MA	6.6	5.5	7	1.5	5.5	7	8	7.5	7.5	10	5.5	10	5	6
K-PCX	7.0	5.5	5	3.5	2.5	1	10	11	10	11	1.5	11	10	8.5
DE	7.0	5.5	11	10	11	10	3	2.5	2.5	5.5	10	4	5	11
CoEVO	8.2	5.5	9	9	10	9	11	10	11	5.5	11	9	5	1

- Table entries: Rank of the median of the final best function values from 25 runs measured with two digits of precision

Never Solved Multimodal Functions

Rank of Final Function Value

$n = 30$, $FE_{\max} = 3 \times 10^5$

	mean	8 Ackley Condition 10 ²	13 Expanded 6&7	14 Expanded Schaffer F6	15 Hybrid Separable	16 Hybrid Rotated	17 Hybrid with Noise	18 Hybrid F18	19 Hybrid Narrow	20 Hybrid on Bounds	21 Hybrid F21	22 Hybrid High Condition	23 Hybrid Non-Continu	24 Hybrid F24	25 Hyb
G-CMA-ES	4.1	2.5	5	6.5	1	1	6	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.5	1	3.5	6	4
EDA	4.8	7.5	11	6.5	8	7	7	1	1	1	4.5	3	3.5	2.5	4
BLX-MA	4.9	7.5	4	6.5	4.5	10	5	3	3	3	4.5	7	3.5	2.5	4
SPC-PNX	5.0	7.5	8	6.5	8	4.5	2	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.5	3	3.5	2.5	4
BLX-GL50	5.1	7.5	6.5	2	4.5	4.5	3	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.5	5	7	7	4
L-CMA-ES	5.6	2.5	2	10	2	3	10	8.5	8.5	8.5	4.5	3	3.5	9	4
DE	6.1	7.5	6.5	6.5	8	8	8	5.5	5.5	5.5	4.5	6	3.5	2.5	8
K-PCX	6.2	11	10	10	11	2	1	2	2	2	9	9	9	5	4
CoEVO	8.5	7.5	9	6.5	10	9	9	10	10	10	4.5	8	8	8	9
L-SaDE	-	2.5	1	2	4.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DMS-L-PSO	-	2.5	3	2	4.5	6	4	8.5	8.5	8.5	-	-	-	-	-

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