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Parameter name	Description	Value
Generations	Number of generations the	10,000
	evolutionary algorithm is	
	running	
NGenerationNoImprovement	Number of generations	10,000
-	without improvements, that	
	should stop further iterations	
PopSize	Size of population of	100
_	solutions that evolves	
N_offspring	Number of new possible	10
	solutions produced per	
	generations	
Restart_interval	If the best solution has not	2,000
	improved for this number of	
	generations, then more	
	variance is generated by	
	increasing the mutation	
	variance for one generation	
Exchange_algorithm	Interval between using an	500
	exchange algorithm to	
	iteratively optimize solutions	
Mutate_probability	Probability of mutating an	0.001
	individual in a solution	
	(randomly exchanging that	
	individual).	
Crossover_probability	Probability of crossovers	0.20
	when generating a new	
	solution from two parental	
	solutions.	
Directed_mutation_probability	Probability of mutating an	0.01
	individual in a solution	
	(exchanging that individual	
	with a better).	
Seed_rng	Seed for random number	0
	generator.	(use computer clock to
		sample seed)

Algorithm parameters used for EVA analyses