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# **ABSTRACT**

A cognitive phenomenon, emergent subshapes, has been examined extensively in the last decade. From the cognitive perspective, "emergent subshapes" plays the important role in developing the design, and this phenomenon happens very frequently during the early conceptual phase. Based on this, various computational approaches also arise to explore this cognitive phenomenon, and the most well known of them are symbolic and connectionist approaches. To compare these two methods, one distinct discrepancy is that symbolism is good at efficient performance where connectionism excels in providing valid recognition. In other words, one focuses on providing abundant shapes and the other tries to recognize those useful, though few, subshapes. Therefore, the predominate problem statement of this study is how to propose a suitable mechanism to generate not only numerous but also valid subshapes.

Moreover, after abundant explorations in design thinking, cognitive and computational approaches are already sufficient enough to provide computer-aided design (CAD) tool with a very substantial foundation. New computer media also bring designers a promising vision by means of its powerful computing capacity; notwithstanding, this is no more than prospect. Therefore, how to take advantage of the computational capacity to assist designers from a cognitive perspective is also the other significant issue in this study.

Particularly, in order to make the computer media get closely involved into the process of designing rather than merely serve as a presenting tool, this study aims to propose a mechanism that could show the potential of not only recognizing subshapes but also allowing designers to interact with throughout the early conceptual phase. To specify this, how to achieve this objective will start from exploring the cognitive perspective—emergent subshapes, and then implement this mechanism as a CAD system to assist designers. Furthermore, in this study, genetic algorithm is adopted to tackle this issue. By means of the nature-like selection, the relationship of shapes and subshapes was reexamined; thus, from this point of view, genetic algorithm provides another approach—neither symbolism nor connectionism—to support designers in evolving more unanticipated subshapes. Ultimately, through integrating this mechanism into the three-dimensional modeling application, the combination of theoretical researches with computer-aided design could go further into a more practical and constructive stage.

Keywords: emergent subshapes, the early conceptual phase, genetic algorithm.

# 摘要

浮現子形這個現象在過去的十年間已經被大量的討論,特別是在設計初期的發展過程中,這個現象扮演著推進設計一個非常重要的角色。所以,在這個現象被提出之後,另外一群研究者從運算的角度來重新檢視這個現象,其中最知名的不外乎是形狀文法 (Shape Grammar)、資料檢索模型 (Data-driven symbolic model)以及神經網路 (Connectionist networks) 等。這些方法最大的差異在於,前面兩種比較傳統的運算方式在對於產生很多形體的運算上很有效率,另外一個神經網路正相反,他提出了應該以尋找有效的隱含形體為主,而非是去尋找無限多的形。所以在本研究首要的目的便是希望可以提供一個方法,可以來同時處理多且有效的形的問題。

此外,在大量相關的研究之後,這些認知與運算的研究已經提供了非常充足的基礎來建構一個電腦輔助設計系統,是以能夠從認知的角度為出發,透過電腦運算的能力來加強設計者的能力。這樣一來,電腦媒材才可以不僅僅是被當作呈現的工具,而進一步從運算的能力來輔助設計者。所以如何能夠從這樣一個研究的基礎為背景,進一步提出適當的電腦輔助設計工具 (computer-aided design tool) 是在本文另外一個重要的問題。

所以,為了達到這樣的目標,在本研究中希望透過基因演算法,從一個演化的觀點來重新檢視這樣一個問題,最後,透過將這個方法整合到一個 3D 建模的環境,這樣一個結合理論研究與電腦輔助的工具將會更進一步推進到有效且實用的階段。

關鍵字:浮現子形,設計初期階段,基因演算法。

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#### CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Scopes

Design process, in a sense, is a kind of search based on visual processing (Schon and Wiggins, 1992; Liu, 1996b; Oxman, 2002). Within this visual search, shapes play the most indispensable role and in general, these shapes, in light of different contexts and conditions, could present different meanings and contents (Gero and Yan, 1993; Soufi and Edmonds, 1996). That is to say, even those incomplete figures, ambiguous and uncertain, could provide designers with plentiful information, especially during the early conceptual phase. Thus, designers could integrate the information they received with the images emerged, and further make design progress.

During the design process, visual interactions articulate what designers move according to what they perceived and considered inside their minds (Schon and Wiggins, 1992). Within this, one cognitive phenomenon—emergent subshapes—was proposed. Most importantly, designers have their distinct gaps in recognizing subshapes, and at the same time, the greater part of shapes must be searched for instead of emerging effortlessly (Liu, 1995). Moreover, the more complex the shapes are, the more time designers need to find them. Besides, these emergent subshapes, in general, do not exist explicitly in the original shapes but do have the indispensable relationship with the original ones and the significant influence on the following design. From the cognitive and computational model of restructuring shapes proposed by Liu (1996a), it signifies two major steps in restructuring emergent subshapes. One is selecting (from pre-attending to selectively attending) and the other is encoding (*Figure 1.1*). Similarly, Soufi and Edmonds (1996) also regarded these emergent subshapes as the results not only from perceiving the external stimuli but also from transforming the internal structures. To summarize, these emergent subshapes appear when 1) designers perceive/select certain shapes, and 2) further restructure these shapes into new configurations of them.

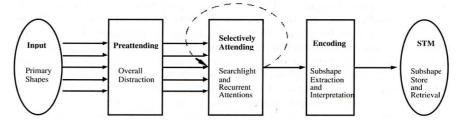


Figure 1.1 A cognitive and computational model of restructuring shapes in terms of emergent subshapes (after Liu, 1996a)

In addition to cognitive examinations, computational approaches also arise to

investigate this phenomenon, emergent subshapes. Such as shape grammar, it provides a productive way to recognize or, say, generate emergent subshapes by means of symbolic notations and rule-applications (Stiny, 1978, 1980, 1993; Knight 2003a, b). Or, Gero and Yan (1993) proposed a data-driven symbolic model to discover emergent subshapes from infinite maximal lines and generated so-called phantom shapes eventually. More, Liu (1993) submitted a connectionist system trained to recognize emergent subshapes from the opposite way. All these computational methods addressed their own fashions of how computers recognize those emergent subshapes that human designers could under certain conditions.

Ultimately, on the strength of rapid development in artificial intelligence, there is one another prevailing mechanism, genetic algorithm, available to tackle those particularly intangible problems. More specifically, based on nature selection, the fundamental principles of genetic algorithm (GA) were first proposed by Holland (1975). Through genetic evolutions and competitions, a chromosome, which has the better fitness, is more likely to survive and thus becomes the potential solution under current condition. Moreover, by employing such a population-based search, GA has been used in a variety of disciplines, including art, music, or architecture (Bentley, 1999; 2002). In this regard, this mechanism reveals a great capability of solving those complicated and intangible problems, which are exactly the same as the problems in design, from utilizing this biologically inspired approach (Mitchell, 1996).

# 1.2 Problem Statement and Objective

Under most circumstances in design, drawings always play the most important role in externalizing designers' ideas. Moreover, through interacting with these drawings, designers make their design proceed. Within this process, emergent subshapes are the key media responding to what designers consider in their minds and this happens very frequently especially when designers try to reexamine what they have drawn under distinct conditions.

Based on this point of view, Minsky (1986, p.144) proposed that "the way we perceive the world, from one moment to another, depends only in part on what comes from our eyes: the rest of what we see from inside our brain." As a result of Minsky's statement, it implies that there should be two steps of recognizing shapes. One is what we perceive from the external stimuli and the other is what we restructure inside our brains, such as rules applications or knowledge transformation, etc. That is to say, first of all, designers look at the given shapes, so-called the external stimuli, and then

restructures what they have seen and what they are contemplating in their minds, so-called the internal transformation. Therefore, the first step could be just served as to see (perceiving) and the second is to restructure (transforming). In this case, a suitable mechanism that is intended to tackle the problems deriving from emergent subshapes should be beneficial in both these two steps—perceiving and transforming.

However, notwithstanding symbolic and connectionist approaches have been employed on this issue tremendously, it is still hard to satisfy designers in recognizing subshapes with fixed rules and limited recognition. To specify this, on the one hand, symbolism submits an efficient computational way in generating numerous shapes by means of notations and rule-applications. On the other hand, connectionism attempts to recognize shapes in terms of connecting vast artificial neurons from an opposite respect. Both of them, without doubt, address some advantages in generating or, say, recognizing shapes. Yet, it seems still insufficient in recognizing emergent subshapes from neither symbolic nor connectionist approaches. Such as, symbolic processing usually generates emergent subshapes only when there are already the rules specified. Therefore, although this mechanism could generate numerous subshapes, those generated subshapes are relatively limited to certain anticipated scopes. In other words, only when the left hand side of rules is matched, the corresponding shapes are generated. Obviously, this is deficient in perceiving part of recognizing subshapes.

In addition, connectionist processing proves its success in recognizing subshapes especially from ill-structured or incomplete shapes. In this regard, this useful recognition can provide designers more feasible recognition and simulates how designers recognize shapes. However, the vulnerable point of connectionism is always the limited training patterns; sometimes, with respect to the limitations of the small quantity of trained patterns, it reminds us of performance inefficiency. In other words, although connectionism has a great adaptation in recognizing those ill-structured shapes, its limited training patterns confines its capability in restructuring these perceived shapes. Therefore, how to propose a robust mechanism that could show a power capability in both perceiving and transforming steps of recognizing subshapes becomes the major problem statement in this study.

In addition, whereas emergent shapes play such an important role in design process and meanwhile have the great relevance to creativity, another significant issue proposed in this study is how to provide a computer-aided design (CAD) system to support designers in search for more promising subshapes. Therefore, by means of amplifying the amounts of emergent shapes, designers could be inspired and further evolve the innovative designs.

Therefore, in order to propose a suitable mechanism to tackle the problem of recognizing emergent subshapes, genetic algorithm is here proposed. From genetic

perspective, no matter how gene is selected and further evolved, it is manifest that a crucial relationship of inheritance and similarity does exist between parents and offspring. Moreover, the relationship between parents and offspring is analogous to the relationship of shapes and subshapes or the sum of shapes and subshapes in this study. Particularly, those intangible and ambiguous problems have been proved and solved successfully by means of genetic algorithm (Man, Tang and Kwong, 1999). In this regard, genetic algorithm (GA) signifies the prospect of dealing with the issues with respect to emergent shapes, those exactly having the identical characteristics of ambiguity and uncertainty in design.

#### To summarize:

- 1) Neither symbolism nor connectionism is sufficient enough to tackle the problem of recognizing emergent subshapes.
- 2) Emergent subshapes play such an essential role in making design progress.
- 3) Moreover, these emergent shapes usually have a profound influence on the following design, and have a significant relevance to creativity.

The major objective of this study expects to propose a suitable mechanism to reexamine the cognitive phenomenon, emergent subshapes, from an evolutionary perspective. Moreover, by means of implementing this mechanism into a physical system, this study further expects this evolutionary system can provide designers more accesses to evolve designs, especially during the early conceptual phase. In this regard, it will be used to help designers in generating more shapes and providing more stimulation. Ultimately, in terms of the expansion of the emergent behaviors, designers could evolve innovative designs from a biological evolutionary perspective.

# 1.3 Methodology and Steps

In order to achieve the objective of providing a suitable mechanism of recognizing and reconfiguring shapes, there are several principal procedures. However, in order to specify this process more efficiently, I take two-dimensional shapes as a foundation to explore basic evolutionary mechanism. Therefore, the first section with respect to basic data structure and genetic framework is articulated through two overlapping rectangles as the preliminary research. Then, by means of implementing this mechanism into the three dimensional modeling environment, a computer-aided design system is hence conducted. Eventually, through a demonstration, more complex and more efficient performance is crystallized. For more details, all these procedures are discussed as follows:

- 1) Data structure: Two kinds of vertices are examined to construct the fundamental data. One of them is termed as the embedded vertex (EV), which is encoded by the original coordinate values of the current shapes. The other is the invisible vertex (IV) conducted from the intersections of extending polylines. Afterwards, the basic operational units are produced according to these basic vertex data (EV and IV), and these smallest units, in more detail, are the most essential components for the next stage.
- 2) Genetic algorithm framework: In order to provide a CAD environment without firing rules, the generative mechanism is contrived mainly from genetic algorithm to simulate the process of nature selection. Through several steps, including initialization, evaluation, propagating (such as selecting, crossover, mutation and reproduction) and terminating, this mechanism could be used to handle the problem of recognizing subshapes during the design process.
- 3) System construction and specification: After articulating the genetic algorithm, an evolutionary system is constructed and relevant system components are specified. During this section, first of all, the overview of this system is described. Secondly, system components are proposed. Third, single-chromosome gene is examined to see the validity of fitness. Finally, a physical manipulating process is demonstrated.

In sum, on the strength of combining the genetic algorithm with shape emergence, this generative system aims to assist designers during the early conceptual phase to propagate more promising emergent shapes. Moreover, considering some inseparable connections to creativity, such a tool signifies the potential to improve the creativity in terms of amplifying the quantity of the emergent shapes. However, to build a more intelligent system, it should allow designers to interact with this system more easily. Therefore, in this study, by integrating into the current popular application, Alias|Wavefront MAYA—a three-dimensional modeling software, this mechanism, implemented by Maya Embedded Language (MEL), provides designers with more eligibility during the design process. Ultimately, this study could contribute profits in both cognitive and computational domains.

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An emergent shape is a shape that exists only implicitly in a primary shape, and this shape is never explicit input and is not represented at input time (Mitchell, 1992b).

As a well-know behavior, designing proceeds through a sequence of seeing-moving-seeing circulation (Schon and Wiggins, 1992). Based upon what he perceived, a designer conducts his next moves. Moreover, during this period, the visual representation-and-interaction behavior plays the most significant role in communicating designers and design-representing tools. Simultaneously, the cognitive phenomenon of emergent subshapes, which happens very frequently when a designer attempts to make his next move, has also proved the capability in making design proceed during the early conceptual phase. Therefore, two essential domains, including cognitive and computational researches relevant to shape emergence, arise in this research. In addition, in order to tackle the issue deriving from shape emergence, genetic algorithm is served as the major mechanism in this study. All these relevant researches will be introduced in this Chapter.

In the beginning, the first section will start from discussing cognitive researches with respect to emergent subshapes. For example, when these subshapes appear, how these subshapes could be recognized or the significant characteristics of emergent subshapes—all these will be described to form a cognitive framework of emergent subshapes.

Subsequently, the second section addresses several computational approaches, which are mainly used to generate or recognize these subshapes concealing under the primary shapes. Such as, shape grammar, data-driven symbolic model, connectionist network and so on—these approaches all take distinct computational perspectives to investigate the cognitive phenomenon, emergent subshapes, from a generative perspective.

Finally, genetic algorithm (GA) is discussed briefly and Knowledge representation of chromosome is introduced.

# 2.1 Cognitive Emergent subshapes

#### 2.1.1 Shape Emergence

Since emergent subshapes are proposed, during this iterative and ceaseless process—seeing, moving and seeing, this visual phenomenon elucidates when and how

subshapes are extracted from parts or the sum of parts of shapes, and therefore play an important role in directing the further explorations in design process (Gross, 1995; Soufi, 1996; Oxman, 2002). Moreover, how a designer discerns the sub-shapes from a cognitive perspective and what a designer proceeds through visual perceptions were proposed to examine the relationship between designers and drawings (Soufi, 1996). For example, emergent shapes, by means of the diverse decompositions of shapes in any phase of the design process, could be generated infinitely under distinct contexts. In others words, emergence could be extracted from whether the sum of shapes or the part of shapes and there is no absolute standards for extracting subshapes from primary shapes (Holland, 1999; Stiny, 2001).

### 2.1.2 Tow Steps in Recognizing Emergent Subshapes

In the other perspective, pertinent to the perception of shapes emergence, designers often recognize subshapes from certain contexts, attentions, purposes and interests (Testa, 2001). Based on different conditions, designers could detect different subshapes and drive their design into different directions. Similarly, Oxman (2002) also submitted that the manipulations of visual schemas and prototypes enable to generate more alternatives. Thus, some researches further presented, within this process, there should be certain attention and guidance before perceiving or, more correctly, searching for emerging shapes (Liu 1995; Oxman 2002). For example, designers might pay pre-attention into certain area first, where they interest under current context, and then further reconsider the subject again and again and therefore conduct their next steps. That is to say, when we look into the more details of shape emergence, how to recognize subshapes could be synthesized as two major steps. One is to perceive the intended subject from part of original shapes. The other is to restructure these selected shapes by means of relevant domain knowledge (Liu, 1996a). Regardless of how to perceive these selected shapes in advance, designers interpret the shapes in their own fashions and then restructure the shapes (Soufi, 1996). To summarize, a complete process of shape emergence has a dual-process in the search of subshapes—perceiving and restructuring (*Figure 2.1*).

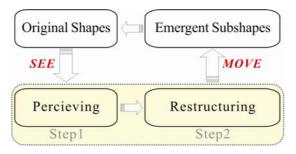


Figure 2.1 Two Steps in recognizing emergent shubshapes.

Although how to recognize those sub-shapes from the existing shapes seems as only one of the most trivial human behaviors, it's better to regard this behavior, recognizing emergent subshapes, as to 'search for' them rather than 'seeing' them effortlessly (Oxman, 2001). Particularly, some of these subshapes might be more difficult and laborious to detect, such as those unnamable ones (Liu, 1995). Thus, in a sense, emergent shapes are predictable in the process of generation; nevertheless, when an emergent shape could be discerned is still unpredictable (Stiny, 2001; Knight, 2003).

#### 2.1.3 The Classification and Corresponding Activations of Shapes

After the considerable accumulation of useful investigations, some researchers set out to categorize these emergent shapes. Liu (1995) submitted that shapes could be classified into explicit 'closed and unclosed shapes which are first mentioned by Mitchell (1992), and proposed four significant phenomena in recognizing these subshapes. Within this, the time designers need to recognize a subshape is in proportion to the complexity and visibility of the subshape. *Figure 2.2* represents these four different compositions of subshapes.

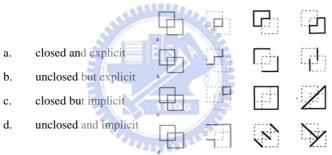


Figure 2.2 Four kinds of shapes (after Liu, 1998).

Besides, there is still one more specific element proposed, which is termed as "the threshold of recognizing activation (TRA) value" (Liu, 1995). This value is particularly used to discern the discrepancies between expert and novice designers in recognizing these emergent subshapes. In Liu's research, when this TRA value is integrated into connectionist networks, different subshapes with different activations could be recognized in turn. For example, when the TRA value is 0.98, only *Figure 2.3a*. could be extracted. Following this, when this TRA value is decreased to certain degree, say, 0.8, three more other figures—*Figure 2.3b.*, *Figure 2.3c.*, *Figure 2.3d.*—could be extracted. Within this process, one interesting finding is that those subshapes, existing implicitly and unclosedly at the beginning, are the hardest ones to be extracted and in general, only those expert designers who have lower TRA value could recognize these subshapes. This implies some order but also limitations in extracting these subshapes; therefore, from this way, subshapes could be recognized more systematically.



Figure 2.3 TRA values versus subshapes encoded by connectionist networks (refined after Liu, 1995).

In addition, in the process of shape emergence, shapes are distinguished as anticipated, possible or unanticipated ones (Knight, 2003b). From Knight's definitions, unanticipated shapes could show the capability of handling rules extragrammatically. Moreover, in general, the appearance of emergence always accompanies with ambiguity. As is stated above, that, ambiguity, is exactly one of the most important characteristics of emergent subshapes, and by means of this characteristic, any implicit subshapes are possible.

More, when Soufi (1996) classified the shapes from the composition of shapes, such as those boundaries of subshapes, subshapes could be just regarded the same as those of the original shapes or part of them. Or, shapes could also arise as a result of occlusion, including the combinations of the extending boundary lines, existing points or new points resulted from the intersections of the extending boundaries, etc.

Oxman (2002) proposed a binary perspective which comprises perceptual and cognitive components to specify the emergence in design process.

In brief, with ample explorations in visual thinking, this phenomenon, which we termed it as shape emergence, was proposed and pertained to the characteristics of uncertainty and ambiguity (Mitchell, 1992; Soufi, 1996; Suwa, 1999; Stiny, 2001; Testa, 2001). In terms of these characteristics, subshapes could be extracted from the primary shapes, no matter existing explicitly or implicitly at the beginning. However, though, these characteristics are sometimes a prospect, but also a hindrance at the same time, to an opportunity of extracting unexpected subshapes.

# 2.2 Computational Emergent Shapes

#### 2.2.1 Shape Grammar

Sequentially, from computational point of view, there are diverse approaches in generating shapes; some of them are applied to investigating emergent subshapes. For example, shape grammar was first proposed by Stiny and Mitchell (1978). In that research, shape grammar was used to generate certain villa-style planes, which is used to simulate what Palladio might do. In this case, shape grammar could be simplified as a mechanism to generate Palladian-style planes by means of symbolic notations and

rule-applications derived from original Palladio's design disciplines.

For a more implementation purport, Nagakura (1990) tried to use a script-based approach to recognize, and transformed shapes on the basis of shape grammar. Starting from categorizing abundant shapes, which is mainly defined as a set of successive lines, this approach used pre-coded scripts of *the drawing* "D" and *categorical objects* "O" and *categorical transformations* "T" to "Find" possible subshapes (where "Find" is the control command in this research). Eventually, stylistic geometry could be generated through a pattern-matching process.

Besides, in 1993, Stiny further used this mechanism in generating subshapes. He used rules in reinterpreting the relationships of the way what designers perceive, and how they move after perceiving. By means of ambiguity of descriptions, possible subshapes could be generated and used to manifest the mutual relations respectively.

Following this, Knight (2003) embodied shape grammar in more usable devices to computing with unanticipated shapes or designs in compliance with several steps and rules. *Figure 2.4* shows a simple example where two L-shapes are treated as original shapes and after firing these two rules, new emergent shape is generated. Within this computation, as long as the left-hand side is matched in advance, the corresponding rule could be applied by users into the computation. Therefore, abundant unanticipated shapes could be generated.

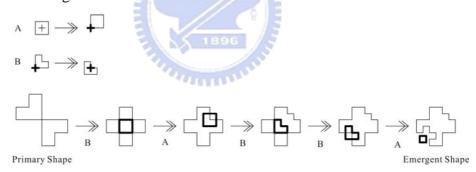


Figure 2.4 This is a grammar example after Knight(2003b). Within this figure, two rules and original shapes are presented. Through five steps, new combination of shapes could be generated.

#### 2.2.2 Data-Driven Symbolic Model

In addition to these finite shapes, Gero (1993) proposed another data-driven symbolic model to explore emergent subshapes. In this study, there are two dominant steps—one is termed as constraint derivation and the other is termed as shape discovery. As shown in *Figure 2.5*, this mechanism first unstructured the original input shapes into hiding shapes; then, by means of deriving new constrains that do not exist at the first input time, a data-driven search method was used to construct suitable polyline shapes—emergent shapes. Within this study, the most interesting thing is that those so-called "phantom shapes" could also be discovered.

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Figure 2.5 In terms of infinite maximum lines, emergent subshapes could be generated, especially those "phantom shapes" that could not be generated by shape grammar (redrawing after Gero and Yan, 1993).

#### 2.2.3 Connectionist Networks

Except for symbolic approaches, Liu (1996b) further suggested a connectionist networks trained to recognize these emergent subshapes, including explicit, implicit, closed or unclosed ones. Within this connectionist networks, searchlight attention, current attention and extracting mechanisms are used to reinforce the recognizing ability of it. Finally, in addition to emerging subshapes, this study also clarified one cognitive phenomenon in regard to designers' visual behaviors—the threshold of recognizing activation. By means of this, connectionist networks could successfully simulate how a human designer recognizes these emergent shapes. Therefore, a computer system proves the ability to generate those useful subshapes rather than merely providing enormous alternatives.

In brief, all these researches provide an integral foundation to inspect this significant phenomenon of shape emergence in visual thinking, not only from cognitive but also from computational point of views. Moreover, the more important thing is that shape emergence has an inseparable relationship with creativity as well and still not to clear up yet (Soufi, 1996;Ueda, 2001; Oxman, 2002; Knight, 2003). Whereas it does imply one exciting prospect in developing novel designs in terms of expanding this behavior of emergence during the design process, there should be more efforts in exploring more and useful emergent shapes from both cognitive and computational way.

## 2.3 Genetic Algorithm and Knowledge Representation

#### 2.3.1 Genetic Algorithm

With the rapid development in artificial intelligence, more and more intelligent exploitations in the design researches arise to simulate how a human designer could do (Bentley, 2002). Such as so-called evolutionary computation, it submits a feasible way to solve the complex problems based on nature selection and evolutionary searches. Among these mechanisms, genetic algorithm (GA), originally proposed by Holland, J.H., has been substantially applied into diverse disciplines. It was primitively inspired

from the Darwinian principle of nature selection. Through closely mutual competitions, those individuals who have better fitness would have a great probability to survive.

Moreover, in general, GA is one kind of the population-based search. Once new "building block" appears, new offspring will converge toward this tendency. The only way to get out of this convergence is use mutation operator. By introducing variations into the current populations, GA could rediscover new populations. Therefore, another good "building block" of solutions that are conferred higher fitness will eventually evolve.

Besides, from another respect inside genetic operations, no matter how gene is selected and further operated, it is manifest that between parents and offspring exist one crucial relationship of inheritance and similarity (*Figure 2.6*). That is the reason why these populations look "similar". Thus, this very relationship would be further analogized to examine the relationship between shapes and subshapes afterwards. In more details, the entire evolutionary process consists of the gene structure of a chromosome, several genetic operators, control function sets, the fitness measure, the terminal criterion, etc. During such a evolutionary process, a near-optimal solution could be possibly generated and presented by means of the fitness survival. Particularly, those intangible and ambiguous problems have been proved and solved successfully and efficiently by using genetic algorithm (Man, Tang and Kwong, 1999). It signifies the prospect of dealing with the issues concerning shapes, those exactly having the characteristics of ambiguity and uncertainty in design.

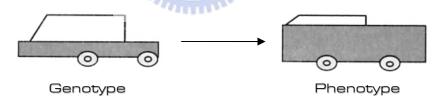


Figure 2.6 No matter how populations evolve, there must exist certain degree of similarity and inheritance reciprocally (after Bentley, 2002).

#### 2.3.2 Knowledge Representation of Genetic Algorithm

Before starting the evolutionary process, one of the fundamental steps is chromosome representation. In terms of different problem conditions, there are various ways in representing chromosomes. For example, the conventional GA is developed on the basis of the scheme theory (*Figure 2.7*). Within this simple GA operation from Koza (1992), two fundamental ingredients are specified. One is the function set, and the other is the terminal set (2.1).

$$T = \{X, \Re\}; F = \{+, -, *, \%\}$$
 (2.1)

Where  $\Re$  denotes constant numerical terminals in some reasonable range [-5.0, +5.0], and when whose output value is equal to the values of the quadratic polynomial  $x^2+x+1$  in the range from -1 to +1, this system terminate.

Sequentially, by means of recombination of two selected populations of the "Generation 1", the desire solution is propagated in the "Generation 2". All these manipulations could be presented in graph expressions. In addition, the bit string representation, in general, is also the other useful coding method and is adopted extensively. As shown in *Figure 2.7*, an insect is presented in a 25-bit long binary string. Different bits of this string are used to present different portions of the body, including color, size, texture, etc. Typically, based on bits flipping between the statuses of 1 or 0, the useful information could be restored and be retrieved in the future.

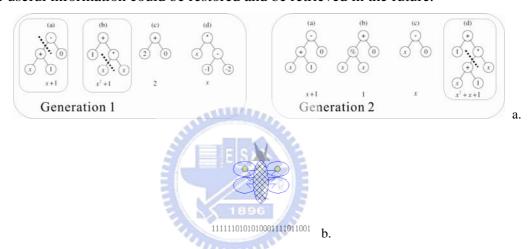


Figure 2.7 a. graph expressions (After John Koza, 1992); b. binary string representation (after Man, Tang and Kwong, 1999)

## CHAPTER 3 DATA STRUCTURE AND GENETIC FRAMEWORK

In this research, emergent subshapes are regarded as one of the most important role during the early conceptual phase. Moreover, how to encode these schematic data into certain codes that machine could recognize is the primary step before further proposing a feasible system. During this early conceptual phase, designers usually draw scratchy diagrams to record or externalize their immediate concepts and ideas. At the same time, these diagrams, in general, encompass various and plentiful information with respect to any possible proposals. Designers, under this circumstance, reexamine what they have drawn iteratively, and therefore generate new combinations of part of old or new diagrams.

Thus, in order to achieve the objective of providing a suitable mechanism in restructuring shapes by means of genetic algorithm, there are several principal procedures. However, as a preliminary step in constructing the basic mechanism, this research takes rectangle shapes as the dominate subjects. Moreover, only rectangles are discussed in this research. Eventually, through this 2D diagram, including two overlapping rectangles, the exhaustive search is constructed to reexamine the relationship among these small emergent units reciprocally. In more details, this first section includes:

- 1) the data structure of input and output, and
- 2) the structure of chromosome.

Following this, the second part of this chapter describes the genetic framework in this study. By means of defining genetic operations, including crossover, mutation, production and evaluation, new populations, subshapes, could be evolved. All these fundamental genetic operations are refined from Man, Tang and Kwong (1999). After this, the preliminary step of this study is complete.

#### 3.1 Data Structure

In this step, two major sub-procedures are articulated. One of them is the data structure of this program, and the other is to submit the most basic operational units, genes, of this system.

#### 3.1.1 Two Kinds of Vertices

First of all, all the input figures would be transferred into vertex data. For example, a line consists of two vertices and similarly, an enclosed plotlines-shape is viewed as one

circuit of four vertices. Therefore, after designers draw some figures in working environment, this system would first interpret these figures into the primitive vertex data consisting of two dimensional coordinate values (*Figure 3.1a.*). As stated above, in order to demonstrate the whole process concisely, this study takes two-dimensional rectangle figures as the example in this section. The way applied in three-dimensional environment in the following section is identical. *Figure 3.1* shows how to encode these two square shapes into vertex data. During this step, two kinds of vertices are generated. One is termed as the embedded vertex (EV) and the other is the invisible vertex (IV). EVs are those vertices embedded inside the original shapes or, say, the end points of original boundary lines (*Figure 3.1a.*). These vertices, in general, are visible and explicit at the input time. On the contrary, IVs are the vertices implicit at the input time and these vertices, in general, are generated from the intersections of extending lines and original boundary lines, as shown in *Figure 3.1b*.

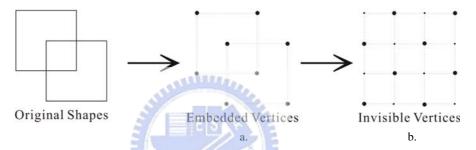


Figure 3.1 (a) Embedded Vertices (End points); (b) Invisible Vertices (intersections).

# 3.1.2 Operational Chromosome

After transferring the input figures into coordinate vertex data, there is still an indispensable step needed to be conducted in advance of having these data into the reasoning machine. A basic operational unit structure, chromosome, is therefore proposed and generated according to these vertex data. As stated above, the basic formation of this chromosome adopted in this study is rectangular. Therefore, by means of confining the category of emergent shapes, an exhaustive relationship could be reexamined in this research. Therefore, a gene could be regarded as a rectangle, which consists of either vertices embedded or invisible vertices or both of them. Most importantly, these small rectangle units, genes, should never be intersected by any other extending boundary lines (*Figure 3.2a*). In this regard, the new sub-boundary is emerged and the basic operational gene structure is generated.

Sequentially, the relevant information of these genes would be preserved in a set of parameters structured by a string of value in binary form. As shown in *Figure 3.2*, a primary shape of two overlapping rectangles would be encoded as a 9-rectangle chromosome. Therefore, every bit of this 9-bit long binary string exactly represents every gene of this chromosome. Moreover, based on bits flipping between the statuses of 1

or 0, the visibility of the corresponding gene is altered. In this study, the bit value of "1" represents a visible gene. On the contrary, the bit value of "0" represents the invisible one. Thus, by means of replication or recombination of these binary strings—parents, new offspring could be propagated.

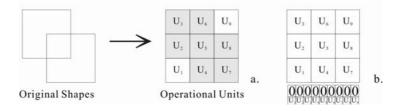


Figure 3.2 a: Operational units (genes of chromosome); b: Binary string representation.

#### 3.2 Genetic Framework

As stated above, the major objective of this study expects to take advantage of genetic algorithm to provide more feasible and promising shapes or subshapes for designers during the early conceptual phase. According to the evolutionary characteristics, including crossover, mutation, selection, fitness function, terminal criteria, etc., all these genetic operations outline the fundamental genetic framework in this study. All methods are described below.

#### 3.2.1 The Fitness Measure

During a genetic operation, the fitness function is always necessary and used to evaluate the status of a chromosome to see how "good" it is. Without a doubt, all the offspring propagated have to go through this evaluating process; therefore, those fitter ones could hence be preserved and others could be eliminated. Moreover, in general, this very fitness function set plays the predominant role with respect to the objective space specified by users.

Before starting, I would like to review the threshold of reorganization activation (TRA) briefly in advance. This value, a specific parameter of evaluating the threshold of designers in recognizing subshapes, has been proved to tell apart the discrepancy between expert and novice designers from the cognitive point of view (Liu, 1996a). Therefore, by echoing this TRA value, this study initiates with ranking distinct weights according to the degree of the completeness of figures individually, and based on this, further expects to simulate how designers recognize subshapes from the computational perspective. Within this ranking process, the more complete the shape is, the higher weight it will score. *Figure 3.3* denotes how distinct weights rank according to the

degree of completeness of shapes. In this case, three kinds of line segments are specified:

- 1) The explicit line segment: this represents explicit lines derived from cleaving original boundary lines by EVs and IVs, and has the index value of "1";
- 2) The implicit line segments inside the original boundary: this segment includes every possible extending line segment, which does not exist at the input time, and locates inside the original boundary. The index value of it is "0.5";
- 3) The implicit line segments outside the original boundary: different from the formers, the third line segments represent those other extending line segments, existing implicitly outside the original boundary, and have the index value "0.25".

Therefore, as shown in *Figure 3.3*,  $F_{u5}$  comprises four explicit line segments and get the total index value "12". In this case, the  $F_{weight}$  of overlapping area ( $F_{u5}$ ) is designated to "1", which is calculated from the ratio of the index value to the maximal value one operational unit could score. Following this, the rest may be deduced by analogy:

- 1)  $F_{weight}$  of  $U_2$ ,  $U_4$ ,  $U_6$  or  $U_8$  respectively is equal to "0.875", including three explicit line segments and one implicit line segment inside the original boundary;
- 2)  $F_{weight}$  of  $U_3$  or  $U_7$  respectively is equal to 0.75, including two explicit line segments and two implicit line segments inside the original boundary;
- 3)  $F_{weight}$  of  $U_1$  or  $U_9$ , respectively is equal to 0.625, including two explicit line segments and two implicit line segments outside the original boundary.

To summarize, in *Figure 3.3*, the value of  $F_{U5}$  is greater than that of  $F_{U2}$  (which is equal to  $F_{U4}$ ,  $F_{U6}$  and  $F_{U8}$ );  $F_{U8}$  is greater than  $F_{U3}$  (which is equal to  $F_{U7}$ );  $F_{U7}$  is greater than  $F_{U1}$  (which is equal to  $F_{U9}$ ). Thus, after ranking all these units, several phenomena appear:

- 1) The fittest gene is generated from the overlapping area of two original shapes, and its boundary lines are exactly parts of the boundary lines of original shapes.
- 2) The adjacent relationship between other genes and the overlapping one decides the degree of  $F_{weight}$ . In general, the more the gene is close to the overlapping one, the fitter value this gene would score.
- 3) Moreover, genes inside the original boundaries always have higher fitness than those others outside the original boundaries.

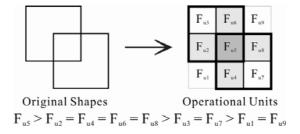


Figure 3.3 Weights Ranking.

In addition, there is still one another fitness measure taking account of the complex-degree of units ( $F_{complex}$ ). To specify this, the more the  $F_{complex}$  is, the more complex the chromosome would appear. Every different value of  $F_{complex}$  represents the distinct maximum number of genes that could turn to visible. *Figure 3.4* shows how these two fitness measures work. For example, when { $F_{weight} = 0.9 \& F_{complex} = 1$ }, only overlapping area, gene<sub>5</sub>, would appear; when the value of  $F_{weight}$  is decreased from 0.9 to 0.8, other four different chromosomes would be appear in turn.

Eventually, this population-based search could proceed and generate fitter offspring with respect to the objective status,  $F_{weight}$  and  $F_{complex}$ . By altering the parameters of two fitness measures, qualified offspring could therefore survive.

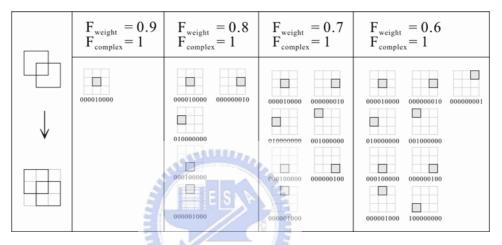


Figure 3.4 A demo shows how fitness measures work.

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#### 3.2.2 The Selecting Method

In this section, in order to make sure new offspring could have a better fitness, this system provides one selecting method to decide the proportion of every parent in reproduction. Therefore, this step could be used to prevent premature convergence. In this study, Roulette Wheel selection is adopted, which is one of the most common methods for a proportionate selection (Man, Tang and Kwon, 1999). To specify this, the first step is to calculate the sum of all the parents in the mating pool ( $F_{sum}$ ). By means of randomly selecting a number "n" between 0 and the  $F_{sum}$  [0 <n<  $F_{sum}$ ], One parent would be selected, and in this case, the fitter the chromosome is, the possibility to be selected is higher. As shown in *Figure 3.5*, this Roulette wheel has the circumference from summing the five chromosomes. Chromosome 4 is the fittest one and hence has the largest interval. Therefore, a random number from the interval [0,  $F_{sum}$ ] has the highest chance to select chromosome 4 in reproduction.

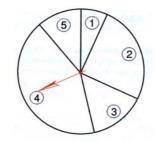


Figure 3.5 Roulette wheel selection (after Man, Tang and Kwon, 1999).

#### 3.2.3 Genetic Operation Set

During the genetic algorithm operations, the most important mechanism is the re-combining process of the gene structures of parents. Therefore, in this section, all genetic operators available in this research, including four crossover methods and one mutation and one reproduction, are addressed as follows:

1. One-point crossover: This method is mainly used to recombine the given parents to generate new chromosomes by means of one crossover point. *Figure 3.6* indicates how to perform this procedure. In details, one crossover point with the interval [1, 9] could be randomly selected and then the new binary string is generated by recombining the binary string of two selected parents at this selected crossover point.



Figure 3.6 One-point crossover.

2. Multi-point crossover: In addition to one-point crossover specified above, multi-point crossover method is also allowed to other possible situations during the crossover operations. The minor difference between one-point and multi-point crossover is that multi-point crossover takes multiple points in separating the original binary string into several segments. By exchanging the value of these segments, new offspring could be generated. In this study, two-point and three-point crossover are allowed, and *Figure 3.7* is given to demonstrate how three-point crossover executes.

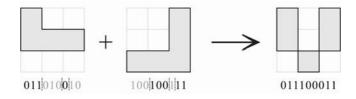


Figure 3.7 Multi-point crossover.

3. Uniform crossover: This method mainly takes advantage of multi-masks as the index to exchange the string value of two parent chromosomes. After randomly selecting the number of the masks and the ranges of masks respectively, uniform crossover could be executed to generate new offspring (*Figure 3.8*).

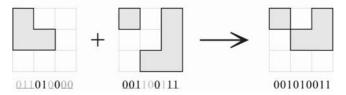


Figure 3.8 Uniform crossover.

4. Heuristic crossover: Within this operation, 9-bit long string is first converted into corresponding integer and further generates another new binary string, offspring, by means of the following formula (3.1). In general, this specific crossover method could generate more surprising outcomes. Moreover, in some respects, it performs like mutation but from mixing the gene structures of two chromosomes.

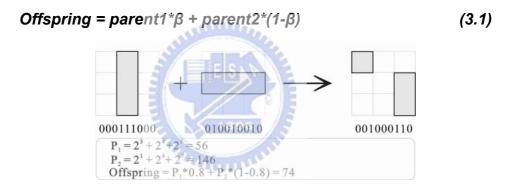


Figure 3.9 Heuristic crossover.

5. Mutation: During the genetic operation, mutation plays a very important role in providing the program with the possibility of driving chromosome to an unexpected milieu. By bringing variations into current chromosomes, new offspring could stimulate the entire process and make progress to an optimal objective space. Moreover, this operation is performed rarely and the mutation point is chosen randomly. *Figure 3.10* illustrates the performance of single-point mutation. Besides, multi-point mutation is also allowed in this study.



Figure 3.10 Mutation.

6. Reproduction: According to the fitness measure of individual in the mating pool, every genotype, parent-chromosome, has a chance to be duplicated as a member of the next generation. Therefore, this method is chiefly performed to reassure that all the population could have the better fitness than the previous chromosomes.

Whereas every genetic operator has its own specific capability in altering the compositions of chromosomes, how to integrate all these operators is always the first concern relevant to every generation. However, during the design process, designers usually look for certain feasible or expandable solutions for the next step. At this juncture, especially during the early conceptual phase, the optimal solution in this stage might not be relatively appropriate. Rather, more and applicable alternatives would provide designers innovative inspirations. Consequently, since this mechanism aims to generate not only abundant but also promising shapes during the process of emerging subshapes, the method to achieve this is through the intensive interactions between designers and this CAD system. Therefore, within this study, all these genetic operators specified above are allowed to be executed respectively or simultaneously. In terms of this flexibility, this tool could provide more useful accesses for designers to use during the early conceptual phase.

## 3.2.4 Population Size

In addition to the fitness measure and genetic operations stated above, this system also provides the other controlling parameter for users, which is termed as the population size. In *Figure 3.11*, after selecting the parents in mating pool, the value of population size specified in advance is used to decide the maximum number of the populations during each run. Therefore, such a variable could prevent this system from being executing unceasingly.

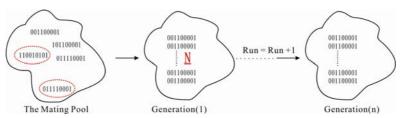


Figure 3.11 N: Population Size.

#### 3.2.5 Termination Criteria

A crucial relationship between termination criteria and the fitness measure is discussed here. In practice, the criterion of termination determines whenever the program continues or terminates, and further designates the result of the run. In other words, by means of these termination criteria, this system could ascertain that those

propagated offspring have reached a plateau. To specify this, the program is contrived to terminate in the following conditions:

- 1. A specific fitness value of offspring, which was assigned at the beginning of each run, is achieved. This means a comparatively better fitness value is achieved when the integral fitness value of the population is reached or over the termination criterion.
- 2. The controlling parameter regarding the population size is reached. This condition is contrived to prevent this system from unceasingly executing. Therefore, according to the termination criterion designated by users, this program would propagate satisfactory results, shapes or subshapes, under the circumstance during that time.

To summarize, this chapter articulates the entire details of the procedures in this study, which are used to generate subshapes or, say, the new combination of shapes. In *Figure 3.12* below, it shows that how this mechanism first selects the parent shapes, secondly generates internal gene structure and eventually propagates the new combination of subshapes. All these procedures are written in Maya Embedded Language (MEL), which is a built-in programming language of Alias|Wavefront Maya, to testify their validity and performance. Furthermore, by means of integrating into the 3D modeling environment, this mechanism could bring more immediate and powerful influence on designers during the conceptual developing phase. Also, as a plug-in of MAYA, this mechanism could provide more accessible fashion for designers and allow them to work closer with computation. Sequentially, Chapter 4 will reveal how these procedures execute in three dimensional modeling environment—Alias|Wavefront Maya modeling platform.

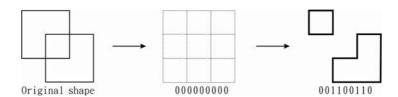


Figure 3.12 Initializing from conducting the gene structure, a new population could be generated.

#### CHAPTER 4 SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION AND SPECIFICATION

## 4.1 System Overview

During the conceptual development phase, designers first draw abundant diagrams to externalize their ideas. Then, under distinct conditions, they try to reexamine these figures so as to extract the most important part of them. Within this period, the specific part they are paying attention to currently is analogous to the input figures as the initial data in this study, and this initial period is exactly the selecting stage (*Figure 4.1*). Moreover, taking advantage of the genetic operators proposed above, this study implements the genetic algorithm with regard to the emergence of shapes or, say, reconfigurations of shapes and subshapes. All theses genetic operators are utilized within a sequence of the following four stages—selecting, initializing, propagating and terminating stages, as shown in *Figure 4.1*.

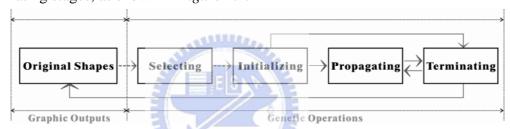


Figure 4.1 Four stages: selecting, initializing, propagating and terminating stages.

In order to specify this, the entire process comprising a series of four stages are described as follows:

- 1) **Selecting stage:** At the beginning, users are asked to select the specific shapes as the primary input shapes, and afterwards, the system converts these selected shapes into vertex database, including the embedded vertices (EVs) and the invisible vertices (IVs). Meanwhile, by means of these vertex data, the fundamental gene structure will be further generated, and at this input time, the index of generation is designated to "1". Therefore, this primary chromosome could be therefore displayed in the 3D modeling environment as a graphic output to designers/users during this stage.
- 2) **Initializing stage:** Secondly, certain controlling parameters need to be specified at the beginning, including the population size, the complex of the chromosome and the fitness weight. All the parameters are significant in regard to sequential genetic operations. Therefore, this system could start to initialize the first-generation populations. Following the fitness value designated by users in the beginning of this stage, the amounts of populations are generated in a

binary-string form and stored in temporary database. At this time, the fittest chromosome of these initializing populations could also be displayed in the three dimensional modeling environment. Moreover, by means of designers' assignments, selected chromosomes would be put into the mating pool for the following genetic operations.

- 3) **Propagating stage:** After sieving out promising parents from initial populations, this system takes several genetic operators, such as crossover, mutation and reproduction, simultaneously to generate new offspring. Therefore, these new offspring could be stored for the next terminating stage.
- 4) **Terminating stage:** Ultimately, all these populations are turned into the last stage, terminating stage, to see whether the status of any chromosome achieves the desired termination criteria. If "Yes", this system terminates and displays the optimal solution in 3D modeling environment. In addition, when this user is satisfied with this outcome, he or she could also end this run. Therefore, new generations could be yielded, and new genetic process will be launched. In brief, all these four stages could be synchronized as a flowchart, as shown in *Figure* 4.2.

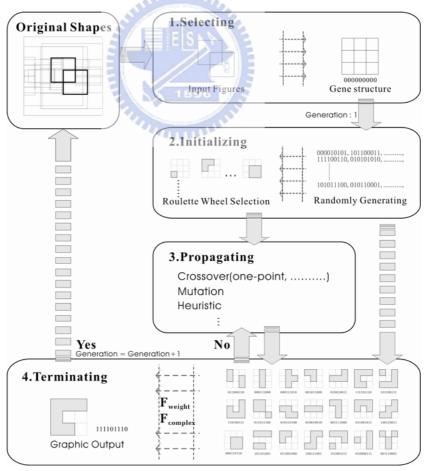


Figure 4.2 Flowchart of the program

During each run, all these four stages provide distinct functions in generating near-optimal solutions. However, in order to be used more flexibly, all these functions sets are also allowed to be manipulated respectively during any period of the run. Therefore, such flexibility could provide designers or users with more possible alternatives. Notwithstanding premature or imperfect, all these alternatives could stimulate designers or users with more inspirations during the early conceptual phase. For specifying this process more clearly, *Figure 4.3* illustrates a sample test showing how this system simulates what Petra did during the designing process in light of the drawing first submitted by Schon and Wiggins (1992). That is to say, through serial genetic operations, including crossover, mutation, and reproduction, etc., this program could generate the identical output of Petra.

In *Figure 4.3a*, the left side is a figure taken from Schon and Wiggins (1992), which shows how a designer moves based on what he sees. On the right side, when a user would like to use this system as a partner to explore the new reconfigurations of these input shapes, what could this partner do?

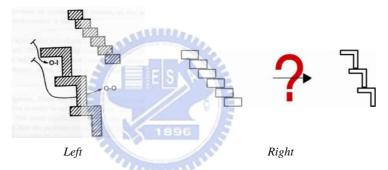


Figure 4.3a Left: A designer sees, moves and sees again. (After Donald Schon and Glenn Wiggins, 1992)

Right: How to restructure these original shapes into the desire ones.

As stated above, the first stage is to select the specific figures as the primary input shapes and transfers the primary shapes into the operational gene structure, a chromosome. Therefore, first of all, this user notices that there are two rectangles in the bottom of this primary shape, and assigns these two rectangles as the selecting shapes. Subsequently, this system retrieves the vertex data of them and generates the initial chromosome with a binary string—"000000000" (*Figure 4.3b*).

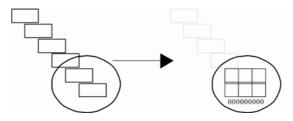


Figure 4.3b Stage 1: Selecting.

Therefore, where {  $F_{weight} = 0.75 \&\& F_{complex} = 4$ } and {  $F_{weight} = 0.7 \&\& F_{complex} = 3$ }, two groups of populations are yielded according to the fitness measure specified above. These initial populations are listed in Figure~4.3c. In general, during the manipulating process, these figures are generated and stored in the binary-string form. Until the end of each run, selected offspring which has the better fitness measure could be eventually displayed as the graphic output.

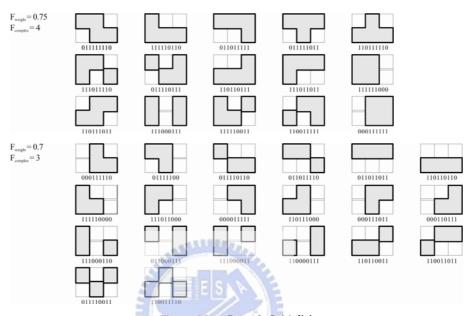


Figure 4.3c Stage 2: Initializing.

Thus, after initializing the populations, two fitter offspring are sieved out as the selected candidates for the following genetic operations. Moreover, to prove that this genetic system could also show the capability of generating the identical outcome of what Petra did, specific genetic operators are fired, including one-point, two-point crossover and heuristic crossover and mutation. Eventually, five populations are therefore generated, as showed in *Figure 4.3d*. During such an executing process, there are much more possible alternatives. The outputs of this test are only parts of them for the demonstrating purport.

Ultimately, by means of the terminating criterion where  $\{F_{complex} = 4\}$ , two survival offspring are preserved (*Figure 4.3e*). Therefore, the entire process is complete and when this outcome is applied into the current situation, new configuration of three L-shape figures would be generated and the *Figure 4.3f* shows the whole process of how this application is used to restructure the primary input shapes.

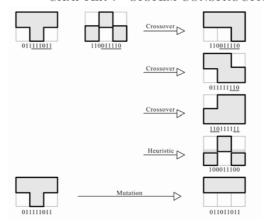


Figure 4.3d Stage 3: Propagating

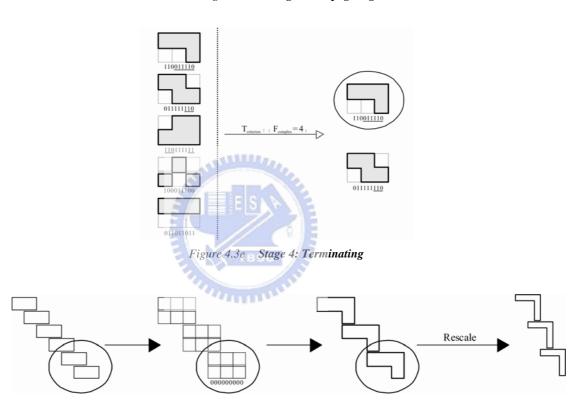


Figure 4.3f Applying genetic algorithm to restructure shapes.

In brief, this study proposes another computational approach—genetic algorithm, rather than symbolism or connectionism—for solving the problem in restructuring shapes or subshapes during the early conceptual phase. Moreover, for the more practical purposes, this mechanism expects to be integrated into the design process. Apparently, as shown above, this approach provides a probability in generating shapes or subshapes from a nature-like selection search. Without applying generating rules or training, this program could also help designers in recognizing more possible and feasible shapes during the design process. Here, I demonstrate an example of Petra's drawing and reveal the promising capability of this system in propagating shapes. However, as shown in *Figure 4.3f*, this mechanism only focuses on providing more possible

restructured shapes from the primary shapes. As for the knowledge transformation, such as scaling or displacing, this is not specified here. Therefore, rather than symbolic or connectionist approaches, there is another possible mechanism that could also be used to restructure shapes from a genetic perspective. Moreover, for a more practical purpose, all these mechanisms should go further into an application stage rather than merely theoretical explorations, and allow designers to work with them more closely. Following this, more details of this system are specified.

# 4.2 System Specifications

As stated above, during the genetic manipulation, there are four major stages, including selecting, initializing, propagating and terminating in turn. In this section, more complete specifications of components relevant to these four stages and the user interfaces of this system are discussed.

#### 4.2.1 Selecting Stage

During this first stage (Figure 4.4), three sub-procedures are declared. They are:

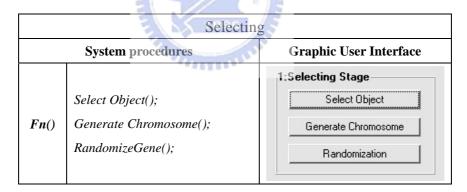


Figure 4.4 Selecting stage.

- 1) Select Object(): This function is used to decide the parts of shapes users want to pay attention to, which means selecting the primary shapes for this current run. Therefore, once any two of them are selected, the index of generation is designated to "1".
- 2) Generate Chromosome(): Referring to the objects selected, this function retrieves the basic vertex data of them, and stores these data in a two-dimensional table of floating point values. For example, for any vertex in 3D modeling environment, each has a triple of floating point numbers (usually representing X-, Y-, and Z-coordinate values). Thus, this retrieving vertex data would be represented like:

Matrix \$i[2][3] = << X1, Y1, Z1;

X2,Y2,Z2>>

Subsequently, by means of this vertex data, new operational gene structure would be constructed.

3) RandomizeGene(): The last function of this stage is only submitted to help users get used to how this chromosome performs when the binary string is changed. The major controlling strategy used here is randomizing. By means of altering the string value of the chromosome, the corresponding graphic output is displayed in the 3D modeling environment.

#### 4.2.2 *Initializing Stage*

After selecting, this initializing stage (*Figure 4.5*) is mainly used to randomize the initial populations for the subsequent genetic operations. On the one hand, three kinds of variable settings in regard to the size of the population, the degree of the complex and the intended weight are queried. On the other, after generating the corresponding populations, designers are usually asked to decide the preference to put into the mating pool for the next propagating stage. All these functions are described as follows:

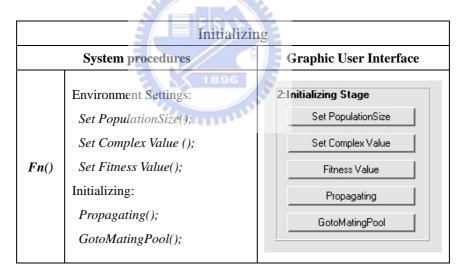


Figure 4.5 Initializing stage.

- 1) Set PopulationSize(): This variable is an instruction to articulate the maximum number of the population that each run should generate. Once this number of population is reached, the system outputs the fittest chromosome and displays this chromosome in the three-dimensional environment.
- 2) Set Complex Value(): Different from the population size, this one is used to control the degree of complex of a chromosome. For example, the number of genes one chromosome comprises is decided at the first stage. In this regard, the maximum number of one chromosome that has 27 genes is excatly "27". On the contrary, the

minimum one, the defualt number, is "1".

- 3) *Fitness Value():* Every gene of a chromosome has its distinct weight when it is generated at the beginning. Therefore, according to the three kinds of line segments stated in Chapter 3, every chromosome get a total weight from suming the weights of its genes. By means of specifying this fitness value, those chromosomes who have the higher value could be preserved and others are eliminated.
- 4) *Propagating( ):* After all these variables are designated, this function is used to prapate the initial populations accordingly. Each time when this function is triggered, the fittest chromosome is displayed as the graphic output.
- 5) *GotoMating Pool( ):* Eventually, for providing users the suitable solutions, this function allows designers to choose the intended population for the next propagating stage. Therefore, more promising populations might be generated in light of designers' preferences.

#### 4.2.3 *Propagating Stage*

Subsequently, when initial populations are generated and selected, there are fitter chromosomes in the mating pool. Before executing the genetic operations, all these parents are ranked according to the fitness value, and by Roulette Wheel selection method, these parents are used in proportion. All these mating functions utilized in this study are listed in *Figure 4.6*. More details of every function are described as follows:

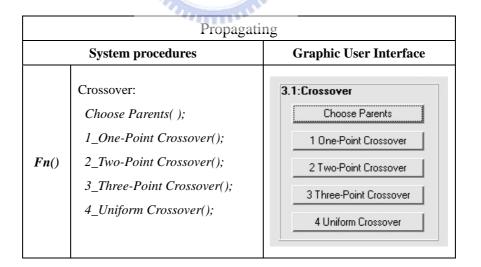


Figure 4.6a Propagating stage: Crossover

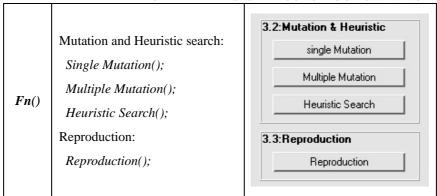


Figure 4.6b Propagating stage: Mutation and Heuristic

- Choose Parent(): As implied by the name, this function is mainly used to seive out potential parents from the mating pool in proportion to their weights respectively.
- 2) *One-, Two- and Three-Point Crossover( )*: In this study, three kinds of point-crossover are provided. By means of remixing the binary strings of parents, new string could be generated.
- 3) *Uniform Crossover()*: In addition to point-crossover, another form of crossover is also allowed. This method mainly uses several masks as the index to generate new offspring.
- 4) *Mutation()*: Two kinds of mutations are provided in this study. One is termed as single-mutation and the other is multiple-mutation. As implied by the name, the discrepancy of these two methods exists in the number of mutation points. The former one is only used to alter the value of single mutation point, and the other is used to alter the values of multiple mutation points.
- 5) *Heuristic search*: In terms of converting all these binary strings into integer and calculating the value from the equations stated above, new offspring could be produced.
- 6) *Reproduction()*: Finally, one more function is provided to reassure that the best population is generated. Therefore, it suggests that the better offspring could be propagated than parents.

#### 4.2.4 Terminating Stage

In the end of this run, one more step is queried to certify the termination. As long as users like, they could also reset the formation of the chromosome by means of the controlling strategy provided here. All these components, as shown in *Figure 4.7*, are specified as follows:

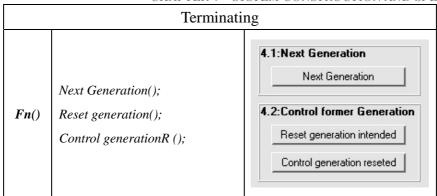


Figure 4.7 Terminating stage.

- 1) Next Generation(): This functions is only needed when users want to generate the fittest chromosome during this run. Once confirming, new index of generations are generated and current fittest chromosome is displayed as the graphic output in the three-dimensional environment.
- 2) Reset Generation(): If the user has the intention to alter the former population, this function is mainly used for resetting the index number of generations and therefore, the user could reconfigure the former population.
- 3) Control Generation (): For more flexibility, this controlling mechanism is combined with Reset Generation () to alter the configurations of a former chromosome.

To summarize, all system components with the relevant interfaces are specified briefly in this section. The performance of this system will be discussed in the following section, including testing the fitness validity and demonstrating a physical example taken from an architecture curriculum.

# 4.3 Fitness Validity

After specifying the integral components of this system, I am going to use a simple demonstration to show how these emergent subshapes could be generated in a sequence of fitness measure. In this section, where F<sub>complex</sub> is designated to "1", those discrepancies in single-gene chromosomes would testify for the individual activation respectively. Therefore, echoing the threshold of recognizing activation, which was first utilized in connectionist networks (Liu, 1995), those corresponding offspring could be generated.

In the three-dimensional modeling environment, the primary shape, *Figure 4.8a*, is a composition of two cubes; meanwhile, these two cubes are arranged in an interlacing

form. After selecting these two cubes as the primary input shapes, they are restructured into an initializing gene structure, a chromosome (*Figure 4.8b*). As shown in the figure, this chromosome is composed of 27 genes and is represented in a 27-bit long string at the beginning of this run.

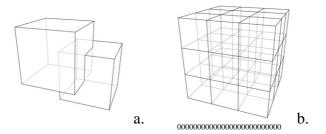


Figure 4.8 a: primary shapes; b. initializing gene structure.

By exhaustively searching, where {  $F_{complex} = 1$  }, only 27 different chromosomes could be generated. How to generate these 27-bit long binary strings and assign the weight respectively is shown as follows:

## ASSIGNING THE WEIGHT OF FITNESS

Therefore, each chromosome is generated and stored in a binary-string form with the specific weight respectively. After that, the following step is to test the activation of each chromosome when the condition,  $F_{weight}$ , is altered. Under the circumstances, only when this chromosome has a better fitness, it could have the chance to survive after the

trial. For example, where  $F_{weight}$  is designated to 0.85, chromosome13 is the only survival, whose  $F_{weight}$  is greater than 0.85 (*Figure 4.9*). How this result is generated is through:

## TESTING THE ACTIVATION

```
PSEUDO LOGIC CODE
```

// if F<sub>weight</sub> > 0.85, Leave this chromosome in the fitness array.

```
MEL EXPRESSION
for ($i=0; $i<size ($chromosome);$i++){
    if($chromWeight[$i] > 0.85){
        int $sizeVR;
        $sizeVR= `size $validityRank1`;
        $validityRank1[$sizeVR] = $validity[$i];
    }
}
```

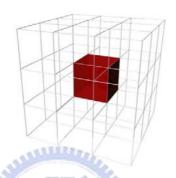


Figure 4.9, The only survival, chromosome 13 when  $F_{weight} = 0.85$ .

Following this, once decreasing the value of  $F_{weight}$  to 0.8, other six more chromosomes are generated. Similarly, the rest can be deduced by analogy. Until  $F_{weight}$  is deceasing to 0.5, all chromosomes, 27 single-gene chromosomes, are displayed. For the more detailed relationship between graphic outputs and  $F_{weight}$ , all results are displayed in the Appendix One.

In brief, the entire process testifies the activation of every single-gene chromosome according to the distinct weights designated when the primary gene structure is generated. Thus, these genes construct an essential foundation for the later populations with more complex configurations, which may consist of one or more than one gene in every generation based on users' designations. By means of this simulation, it could elucidate that the lower the TRA value is, the more number of fitted chromosomes will be generated. Moreover, these single-gene chromosomes seem to appear in a corresponding relationship that each chromosome is ranked in compliance with:

- 1) the degree of adjacent relationship relevant to the overlapping area, and
- 2) the relative-position relationship, interior or exterior of the primary bounded shapes.

To go a step further, the degree of adjacent relationship could be subdivided into three grades: a. point-adjacent relationship; b. line-adjacent relationship; c. plane-adjacent relationship. *Figure 4.10* summarizes this hierarchy in sequence.

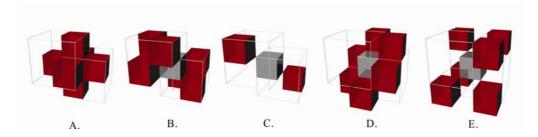


Figure 4.10 The ranking relationship. A: Plane-adjacent and locating inside of the primary bounded shapes, where  $F_{weight} > 0.8$ . B: Line-adjacent and locating inside of the primary bounded shapes, where  $F_{weight} > 0.75$ . C: Point-adjacent and locating inside of the primary bounded shapes, where  $F_{weight} > 0.7$ . D: Line-adjacent and locating outside of the primary bounded shapes, where  $F_{weight} > 0.6$ . E: Point-adjacent and locating outside of the primary bounded shapes, where  $F_{weight} > 0.5$ .

In a sense, a single-gene chromosome seems to be limited in providing designers with extra inspirations. However, when we set the complex value up to 2, the total amount of chromosomes is expanded to 351. To sieve out those chromosomes with better fitness and to eliminate trivial ones would be more profitable in terms of this fitness measure. Therefore, this mechanism show the validity in providing not only numerous but also beneficial shapes from a genetic perspective. In the following section, a complete demonstration is given.

### 4.4 Demonstration

In order to depict the overall execution process, this section illustrates how this system works in light of a practical manipulation. *Figure 4.11a* is an example taken from a certain architecture curriculum, which mainly comprises five rectangle figures, and the other *Figure 4.11b* is another example which takes the left part as a concept to develop its three-dimensional relationship with a physical model (after Rowe and Slutzky, 1997). In this exercise, I assume that this 5-rectangle shape, *Figure 4.11a*, is the concept diagram of a student during the early conceptual phase. This student would like to try this system to evolve its 3D relationship with the virtual model instead of the physical model. How and what could this student do with this system? To specify this, the following demonstration is given by a sequence of four stages—selecting, initializing, propagating and terminating stages.

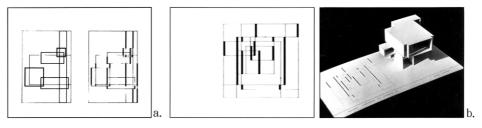


Figure 4.11 a: the curriculum example of five rectangles; b: a development from a concept to a physical model.

(after Rowe and Slutzky, 1997)

## 4.4.1 Selecting Stage

The first step is to construct this 3D model and tries to figure out which part this student would like to start from. As shown in *Figure 4.12a*, this is the original 3D shapes consisting of five rectangle cubes with different dimensions respectively and *Figure 4.12b* is the selecting part by the user, which comprises two overlapping rectangles. Afterwards, selecting operator is triggered and the primary gene structure is generated, *as shown in Figure 4.12c*.

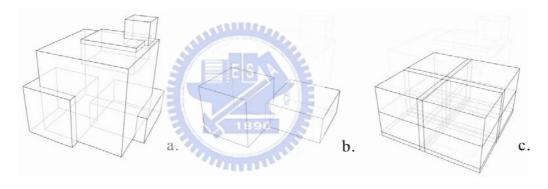


Figure 4.12 (a) the primary shape consisting of five rectangle cubes; (b) the selected shapes; (c) the gene structure.

## 4.4.2 *Initialing Stage*

Subsequently, in order to initialize the populations, three specific variables have to be specified in advance: 1) the population size; 2) the complex value; 3) the minimum fitness weight. According to these variables, the initial populations could be generated automatically. Moreover, in compliance with the users' definitions, fitness parents could be sieved out and put into the mating pool for the next genetic operations.

Therefore, where  $\{F_{population\text{-}size} = 50; F_{complex} = 15; F_{weight} > 65\%\}$ , ten populations are generated and selected into the mating pool (*Figure 4.13*). All of them are represented in a 27-bit long string. For example, the binary string of Chromo00 is encoded as "01000111110010011110010001". Every bit of this binary string represents the visibility of every gene in this chromosome. To specify this, the manipulating processes with relevant MEL expressions are shown as follows:

#### PROPAGATING INITIAL POPULATIONS

## PSEUDO LOGIC CODE MEL EXPRESSION // initializing the population according to the $F_{\text{population-size}}$ and $F_{\text{complex}}$ ; //wheen the parameters are specified: for(\$i=0; \$i<\$populSize; \$i++){ for $(j = 0; j < fComplex; j++){$ F<sub>complex</sub>; F weight; \$index = `trunc (rand size(\$chromosome))`; 3) string \$cur = \$chromo[\$i]; if(pp == 0){ $validity[$i] = "1" + `substring $cur (2+$i) 27`; }$ //Generate the fitness gene coded strings. // sieving out those fitter populations for (\$i=0; \$i<\$ populSize;\$i++ ){ if(\$chromoWeight[\$i] > \$fWeight){ \$chromofit [\$i] = \$ chromosome [\$i]; Chromo00 Chromo01 Chromo02 Chromo03 Chromo04 Chromo05 Chromo07 Chromo08 Chromo06 Chromo09

Figure 4.13 Ten populations are generated and each of them has survived from a competition of 50 chromosomes, which exactly have the complex value "15".

## 4.4.3 Propagating Stage

After selecting and initializing, genetic operators are ready to be executed. In this section, only several genetic operators are illustrated as examples, such as one-point crossover and mutation. According to the fitness value specified above, new offspring could be generated. Therefore, during this process, this student can exercise each operator respectively and sees how these parents in the mating pool are manipulated in such a way. All these operations are shown as follows:

## ROULETTE WHEEL SELECTION

```
PSEUDO LOGIC CODE

// Using roulette wheel selection to
select parents in reproduction

SweightRank[] = sort($weight);
$max = `size $weightRank`;
int $indexweight;
$random = trunc (`rand 0 $weight[$max]`);
$sumWeight;
for($i = 0; $i < size($weightRank); $i++){
    if($random > $weightRank[$i])}{$random = $random - $weightRank[$i];
}else{$indexweight = $i;}
```

#### GENETIC OPERATIONS

#### PSEUDO LOGIC CODE

//single- or multiple-locations are generated as the index of altering the value of selected digit in the binary string.

Moreover, as shown in *Figure 4.14*, graphic outputs articulate the performance of certain genetic operators. For example, as shown in *Figure 4.14a*, this system uses one-point crossover operator to recombine "Chromo00" and "Chromo01" to generate three new offspring, Offspring01, Offspring02, offspring03. Similarly in *Figure 4.14b* and *Figure 4.14c*, other six more offspring are generated by means of taking advantage of multi-point crossover, and, in *Figure 4.14d* and *Figure 4.14e*, two parents are reproduced by means of the mutation operator.

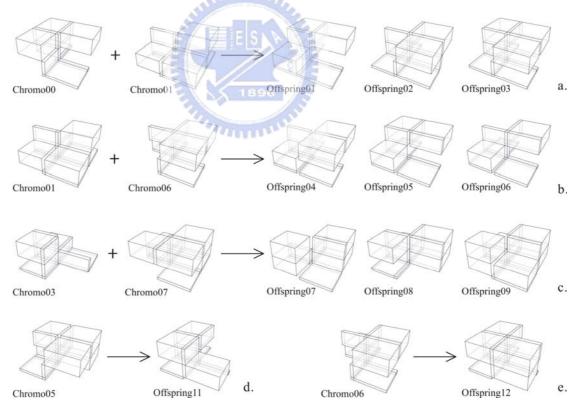


Figure 4.14 Propagating offspring. (a) Using one-point crossover operator to generate offspring from Gene01 and Gene01; (b) Using two-point crossover operator to generate offspring from Gene03 and Gene07; (c) Using three-point crossover operator to generate offspring from Gene03 and Gene07; (d) and (e) Using mutation operator to generate offspring from Gene05 and Gene06.

## 4.4.4 *Terminating Stage*

Unlike the conventional genetic algorithm, all genetic operators are allowed to be executed individually. Therefore, users have to decide when this system should terminate. In this regard, they have to designate the result manually and command this system to go a step further. Subsequently, they could choose other shapes as the initial input shapes for the next run. *Figure 4.15* shows a complete execution from selecting to terminating. This is only one of possible alternatives, and there are still more possibilities during each operation. Moreover, most importantly, by means of this interaction, this system makes it easier to explore new configurations of shapes during a three-dimensional environment. In such a way, this computational process goes a step further into a more applicable stage.

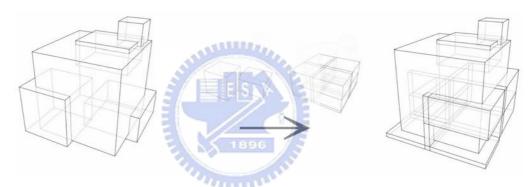


Figure 4.15 Propagating offspring.

## CHAPTER 5 CONCLUSION

By means of combining the genetic algorithm with a search model of shape emergence, this evolutional system provides a computational environment for designers during the early conceptual phase, particularly in propagating more emergent shapes. More, considering some inseparable connections to creativity (Soufi, 1996; Ueda, 2001; Oxman, 2002; Knight, 2003), such a computer-aided design system reveals the potential to improve creativity in terms of amplifying the quantity of emergent shapes. From symbolism to connectionism, researchers utilize various methods to explore this phenomenon. Each of them certainly has its own advantages but also disadvantages as well. Through comparisons between these two mechanisms and genetic algorithm, I will address some conclusions, limitations and future studies of this research.

# 5.1 Comparisons and Analyses

As for symbolic computation, the characteristics of high productivity and efficiency are definitely the strengths. However, how could designers do with these fixed rules? Figure 5.1 is an example after Knight (2003b). In this case, an emergent fish appears during the computational process and numerous shapes are generated by means of rule applications. Within this, only when there is a certain rule application, a corresponding emergent shape could be therefore generated. That is to say, few rules have the potential in generating numerous shapes but only finite emergent shapes appear. However, one of the most important characteristics of emergent subshapes is that these subshapes or shapes exist implicitly in the primary shape (Mitchell, 1992b). Therefore, from this point of view, using rules is a productive way to generate "new shapes". But as for exploring what exists implicitly in the primary shapes, it seems not so useful. Obviously, on the one hand, the grammar way lacks this very ability in exploring those implicitly existing shapes. Moreover, on the other, designers always have to be familiar with the built-in rules first, and then try to find a correct rule at a correct time—when the left-hand side condition is satisfied. This is not so convenient for designers to use, either. As a more eligible assistant, it should provide the more convenient access for designers.

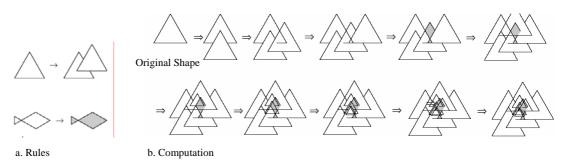


Figure 5.1 Possible emergence after Knight (2003b).

In addition, by employing certain reasoning rules to derive constraints, data-driven symbolic model generates bounded polyline shapes (Gero and Yan, 1993). Within this model, they used line segments as the basic reasoning foundation to construct new occlusive relationships, and thus, generated emergent shapes (*Figure 5.3a*). However, sometimes, those unnamable shapes—which are difficult to be found—are not occlusive or, say, including more than one possible occlusive relationship simultaneously (*Figure 5.3b*). Therefore, the noticeable discrepancy lying in genetic algorithm is that GA takes genes as the basic evolving units. In some respects, these smallest units are exactly those basic emergent ones. By means of recombining these units, possible emergent shapes could be evolved, from simple to complex. Moreover, according to designers' designations, designer-oriented emergent shapes could be therefore generated.

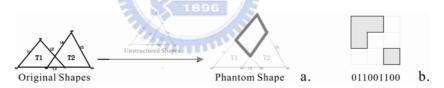


Figure 5.2 (a) Emergent phantom shape (after Gero and Yan, 1993); (b) Figure 5.2b A combined shape consisting of one L-shape and one square.

Except for symbolic processing, connectionist computation relies on connecting neurons so as to search for those emergent subshapes, which are more significant to designers. By contrast, this connectionist processing is quite eligible in recognizing those ill-structured shapes. More specifically, as long as enough relevant patterns this connectionist system has learned, even those incomplete and unexpected shapes at the input time could also be recognized. Yet, this pattern training, at the same time, is the most vulnerable point. *Figure 5.3a* is a simulation of encoding two overlaid squares with the networks (after Liu, 1998). Within this process, the shapes, namable or complete—such as square or L-shape, are successfully recognized because of pre-training patterns. However, to find an unexpected emergent shape is always the final objective. Therefore, notwithstanding connectionist networks have a powerful capability in perceiving shapes, the finite patterns is still limited. From this point of view, genetic

algorithm adopted in this study treats every perceiving units as the ingredients of initial chromosomes. Through recombining these chromosomes, new offspring are propagated. By comparison, without pre-training patterns, GA not only could generate square or L-shapes but also more complex ones, such as a concave shape (*Figure 5.3b*).

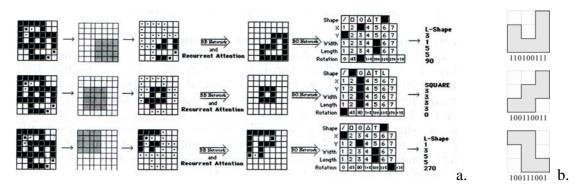


Figure 5.3 (a) The simulation of encoding two overlaid squares (after Liu, 1998); (b) Concave shapes.

To summarize, once there are finite rules on the left-hand side, it confines the solution space to a specific boundary on the right-hand side. Once recognizable patterns are limited, it becomes deficient in providing enough and inspiring alternatives. However, as a CAD system, it should provide not only useful but also plentiful alternatives for designers. Through evolutionary process, GA generates a great amount of solutions, which are more meaningful according to designers' indications. Most importantly, when utilizing GA to generate emergent shapes, these outcomes, by means of specifying some significant features relevant to emergence, converge toward the certain cognitive spectrum.

## 5.2 Significance

This study provides one another mechanism refined from genetic algorithm to reexamine the cognitive phenomenon, emergent subshapes. Meanwhile, by means of this mechanism, one computer aided-design system is proposed, especially focusing on providing emergent subshapes during the early conceptual phase. Such a mechanism reveals how to generate new combinations of ingredients encoded from original input shapes through a sequence of genetic operations.

Moreover, in this digital era, computer media have been used extensively. How to provide useful information at the right time becomes more profitable than providing precise recognition, especially during the design process. In this regard, a good solution for designers is not necessary; instead, a suitable solution is what designers intend. On the strength of this, genetic algorithm is proposed to handle this neither symbolic nor connectionist problem in restructuring the designers' input shapes. By means of

recombining the initial chromosomes, numerous and promising offspring are evolved. In detail, these offspring generated by GA not only inherit parts of the original chromosomes but also show distinct features from the primary one. Therefore, using GA to propagate these emergent subshapes—from simple, namable shapes to complex, unnamable ones—provides designers with more and promising alternatives from this evolutionary perspective.

In briefly, the entire process could just be regarded as a shape-restructuring process. From selecting to terminating stages, new generations provide more inspirations to make design proceed. Therefore, designers have a better chance to evolve their designs in a computational environment, from the early conceptual phase to the final presenting stage. Furthermore, as a plug-in extension of Alias|Wavefront Maya, it provides a more eligible way for designers to exploit during the design process and get designers and design computation closer.

# 5.3 Limitations and Future Studies

Apparently, only rectangular shapes are discussed in this study, and this seems not to be sufficient enough to handle every possible condition. However, as a preliminary study, rectangular shapes are regarded as the first shape to explore the possibility in restructuring the emergent units. After implementing this mechanism, though only rectangular shapes could be recognized at the input time, this evolutionary system already shows a powerful capability in propagating numerous and designer-oriented shapes or subshapes. Following this, in order to enhance the robustness of this mechanism, more efforts are needed in the future:

- 1) Expanding the diversity of ingredients: In this study, I mainly retrieve vertex data to construct the basic units, rectangle shapes. For expanding the diversity, it has to develop one pre-encoding mechanism to take care of all possible polyline shapes. Therefore, with more categories of emergent subshapes specified, such an evolutionary system could be applied in a wider spectrum.
- 2) Introducing more variations into ingredients: During the evolutionary processing, genetic operators are only used to recombine the selected chromosomes. However, according to the limited compositions of chromosomes—emergent units and their visibility in this study, the propagated shapes are confined to the original boundary. Therefore, by means of introducing productive rules in the future, it could get rid of this limitation.

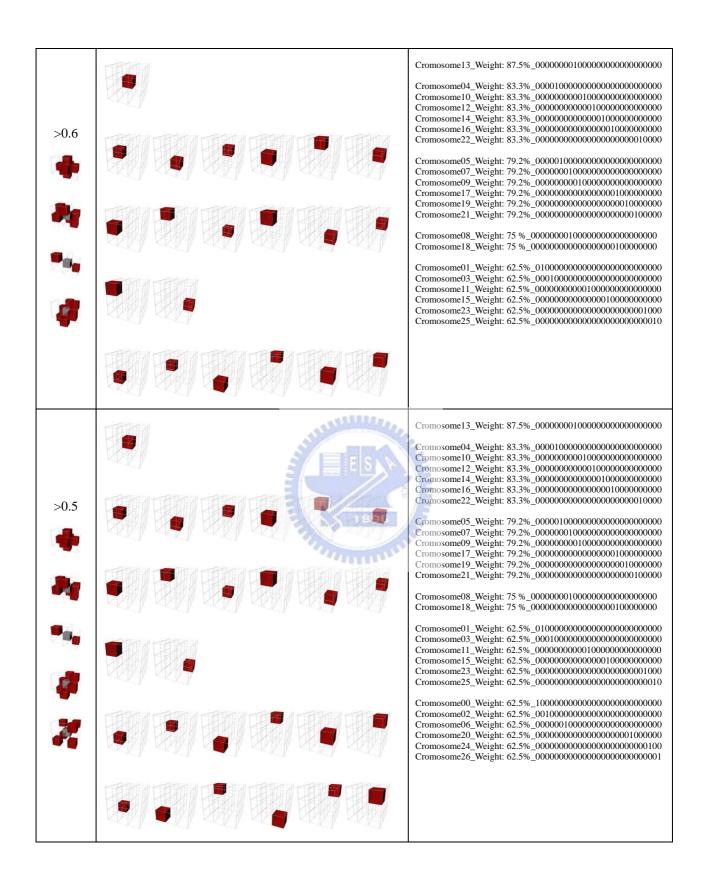
In conclusion, in terms of expanding the diversity and introducing variations, more promising shapes would be propagated. Ultimately, this evolutionary system could be in a widespread use during the design process.

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# Activations of Single-Gene Chromosomes

$F_{weight}$	Graphic Outputs	Coding Strings
>0.85		Cromosome13_Weight: 87.5%_0000000010000000000000000000000000000
>0.80		Cromosome13_Weight: 87.5%_0000000100000000000000000000000000000
>0.75		Cromosome13_Weight: 87.5%_0000000100000000000000000000000000000
	Els	Cromosome14_Weight: 83.3%_0000000000000100000000000000000000000
		Cromosome09_Weight: 79.2%_0000000011000000000000000000000000000
>0.7		Cromosome13_Weight: 87.5%_0000000100000000000000000000000000000
		Cromosome12_Weight: 83.3%_0000000000010000000000000000000000000
20		Cromosome05_Weight: 79.2%_0000010000000000000000000000000000000



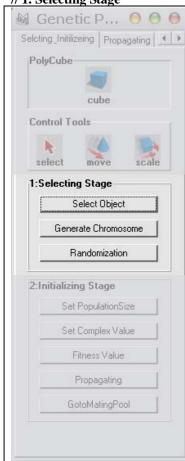
#### //windows

```
string $window = `window -title "Genetic Propagating"
                  -widthHeight 400 55`;
                 string $tabs = `tabLayout`;
string $tab1 = `columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 200`;
                          frameLayout -label "PolyCube" -labelAlign "center" -borderStyle "in";
                                           rowLayout;
                                           iconTextButton -style "iconAndTextVertical" -image1 "cube.xpm" -w 170
-label "cube" -ann "Use this tool, you could creat a polyCube." -command
"polyCube";
                                           setParent ..:
                                  setParent ..;
                          frameLayout -label "Control Tools" -label
Align "center" -borderStyle "out"; rowLayout -numberOfColumns 3 -column
Width<br/>3 60\ 60\ 60\ ;
                                           toolCollection;
                                           toolButton
                                                    -tool selectSuperContext
-toolImage1 selectSuperContext "aselect.xpm" -iol select;
                                           toolButton
                                                                   moveSuperContext
                                                    -tool
                                                    -toolImage1 moveSuperContext "move_M.xpm" -iol move;
                                           toolButton
                                                    -tool scaleSuperContext
-toolImage1 scaleSuperContext "scale_M.xpm" -iol scale;
                                           setParent ..:
                                  setParent
                          frameLayout -label "Random Generation" -labelAlign "center" -borderStyle "etchedIn";
                                  columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                    button -label "Select Object" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent." -command
"selectObj();";
                                  global string $select = "selectCube";
                                                    button -label "Generate Gene" -ann "The first step to generate the Gene." -command
"generateGene($select);";
                                                    button -label "Propagating" -ann "Propagating the configurations." -command
"propagate($generation, $kk);";
                                           setParent ..;
                                  setParent ..
                          frameLayout -label "Next Generation" -labeIAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                    button -label "Next Generation" -ann "Go to the Next generation." -command
"nextGeneration($generation, $kk);";
                                           setParent ..;
                                   setParent ..:
                          frameLayout -label "Control former Generation" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                    button -label "Reset generation intended" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent."
-command "resetG();";
                                                    button -label "Control generation reseted" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent."
-command "controlResetG($currentG);"; text -label "
                                                  Go to Next Stage" -align "center";
                                           setParent ..;
                                  setParent
                          frameLayout -label "Information" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedOut"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                           text -label " This tool is created by Michael" -align "center" -font "obliqueLabelFont"; //text -label " NCTU Architecture Department" -align "center" -font
"obliqueLabelFont";
                                           iconTextStaticLabel -st "iconAndTextVertical" -h 140 -i1 "BOX.bmp" -l "cube";
                                           setParent ..;
                                  setParent ..;
                 setParent ..:
                 string $tab2 = `columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 200`;
                          frameLayout -label "Genetic Environment Settings" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn";
                                  columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                    button -label "Set Complex Value intended" -ann "Use this tool to set the Complex
Value." -command "setComplex();";
                                                    button -label "Set PopulationSize intended" -ann "Use this tool to set the Population
Size." -command "setPopulationSize();";
```

```
button -label "Propagating" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent." -command
"generGeneCode($complexValue,$populationSize,$generation);" button -label "GotoMatingPool" -ann "Put cuurent gene into Mating Pool."
-command "gotoMatingPool($geneCodedString);";
                                               setParent ..:
                                     setParent ..;
                            frameLayout -label "Crossover Operation" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                        button -label "Choose Parents" -ann "Choosing Parents in Mating Pool." -command
"chooseParentinPool($poolGathering);";
                                                        button -label "1 One-Point Crossover" -ann "One-Point Crossover Operation."
-command "onePcrossover($geneParent1,$geneParent2,$generation);";
button -label "2 Two-Point Crossover" -ann "two-Point Crossover Operation."
-command "twoPcrossover($geneParent1,$geneParent2, $generation);";
button -label "3 Three-Point Crossover" -ann "three-Point Crossover Operation."
-command "threePcrossover($geneParent1,$geneParent2, $generation);";
                                               setParent ..;
                            frameLayout -label "Mutation & Heuristic Operation" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170; button -label "single Mutation" -ann "Single-Point Mutation Operation." -command
"mutationGene($poolGathering, $generation);
                                                        button -label "Multiple Mutation" -ann "Multiple-Point Mutation Operation."
-command "mutationGene1($poolGathering, $generation);";
button -label "Heuristic Search" -ann "Heuristic Operation." -command
"heuristicGene($poolGathering, $generation);";
                                               setParent ..:
                                      setParent ..:
                            frameLayout -label "Reproduction Operation" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170; button -label "Reproduction" -ann "Reproducting the Fitness Offspring." -command
"reproductionGene($poolGathering, $generation);";
                                               setParent ..;
                                      setParent ..:
                            frameLayout -label "Next Generation" -labelAlign "bottom" -borderStyle "etchedIn"; columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                        button -label "Next Generation" -ann "Go to the Next generation." -command
"nextGeneration($generation, $kk);";
                                               setParent
                                      setParent ..;
                            frame Layout \ -label \ "Control \ former \ Generation" \ -label A lign \ "bottom" \ -border Style \ "etched In";
                                      columnLayout -columnAttach "both" 12 -rowSpacing 8 -columnWidth 170;
                                                        button -label "Reset generation intended" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent."
-command "resetG();";
                                                        button -label "Control generation reseted" -ann "Use this tool to set the parent."
-command "controlResetG($currentG);"
                                      //text -label "
                                                        Initializing again or Terminate!" -align "center";
                                               setParent ..;
                                      setParent ..;
                  setParent ..;
   tabLayout -edit
                   -tabLabel $tab1 "Initilizeing"
-tabLabel $tab2 "Genetic Operations"
                  $tabs:
```

showWindow;

// 1. Selecting Stage



```
global proc selectObj(){
   string $select[] = `ls -selection`;
                                                global int $generation;
                                              if(size($select)>1){
    string $testSelect = `confirmDialog -message "Do you want to set
 these two objects as the parent?
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            -button "OK" -button "Cancel"
  -defaultButton "OK" -cancelButton "Cancel" -dismissString "Cancel";
                                                            if(\text{stestSelect} == "OK"){}
                                                                                            duplicate -name selectCube1;
                                                                                                                                        string $name1 = $select[0] + ".visibility";
string $name2 = $select[1] + ".visibility";
                                                                                            setAttr $name1 0;
                                                                                            setAttr $name2 0;
                                                                                                                                         select -cl ;
                                                                                          \gluonebox{\colored} \gluone
 $generation +
                                                                                            global string $generationIform;
                                                                                               $generationIform = "generation" + $generation;
                                                                                            print $resetGindexeneration;
                                                }else{
 string $disselect= `confirmDialog -message "Warning: You didn't choose the enough objects!!" -button "OK" -defaultButton "OK" -dismissString
     "Cancel"\:
                                                                                            if($disselect == "OK" || $disselect == "cancel") select -cl;
  global proc generateGene(string $name){
                                              string $name1 = $name + 1;
string $name2 = $name + 2;
                                                float $transCube1[] = `xform -q -t $name1`;
                            float $transCube1[] = xform -q -t $name1;
float $scaleCube1[] = xform -q -r -s $name1';
float $transCube2[] = xform -q -t $name2';
float $scaleCube2[] = xform -q -r -s $name2';
global float $gtransCube1[];
global float $gtransCube2[];
                                         | Idobal float $gtransCube2[];
| global float $gscaleCube2[];
| for ($i = 0; $i<size($transCube1); $i++)
| $gtransCube1[$i] = $transCube1[$i];
| for ($j = 0; $j<size($scaleCube1); $j++)
| $gscaleCube1[$j] = $scaleCube1[$j];
| for ($i = 0; $i<size($transCube1); $i++)
| $gtransCube2[$i] = $transCube2[$i];
| for ($j = 0; $j<size($scaleCube1); $j++)
| $gscaleCube2[$j] = $scaleCube2[$j];
                                             //chromosome grid X 座標
                                                float $chromx1 = $gtransCube1[0] - ($gscaleCube1[0] / 2);
                                             //**********
                                              //chromosome grid Y 座標
                                             \label{eq:float schromy1} $$float $$ \stackrel{$gtransCube1[1] - (\$gscaleCube1[1]/2);$$ float $$chromy2 = \$gtransCube1[1] + (\$gscaleCube1[1]/2);$$ float $$chromy3 = \$gtransCube2[1] - (\$gscaleCube2[1]/2);$$ float $$chromy4 = \$gtransCube2[1] + (\$gscaleCube2[1]/2);$$ float $$chromy4 = \$gtransCube2[1]/2);$$ float $$chromy4 = \$gtransCube2[1]
                                              float \colongreent \colongre
                                              //**********
                                              //chromosome grid Z 座標
                                             \label{eq:float control} \begin{split} & float \ chromz 1 = \ gtransCube \ 1[2] - (\ gscaleCube \ 1[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 2 = \ gtransCube \ 1[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 1[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 3 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] - (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2); \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2]; \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] \ / \ 2]; \\ & float \ chromz 4 = \ gtransCube \ 2[2] + (\ gscaleCube \ 2[2] + (\ gsc
                                                float $chromZ[] = { $chromz1, $chromz2, $chromz3, $chromz4 };
                                              float $cZafterSort[] = sort($chromZ);
                                              //產生 Chromosome 的中心座標與邊長
```

```
//Chromosome X 中心座標
                                    ~
:**************
 float Px0 = (xXafterSort[0] + xAafterSort[1])/2;
float $Px1 = ($cXafterSort[1] + $cXafterSort[2])/2;
float $Px2 = ($cXafterSort[2] + $cXafterSort[3])/2;
 //chromosome X 的邊長
 \begin{array}{l} float \ Dx0 = \ cXafterSort[1] - \ cXafterSort[0] \ ; \\ float \ Dx1 = \ cXafterSort[2] - \ cXafterSort[1] \ ; \\ float \ Dx2 = \ cXafterSort[3] - \ cXafterSort[2] \ ; \\ \end{array} 
 //Chromosome Y 中心座標
\begin{array}{l} {\rm float} \ \$Py0 = (\$cYafterSort[0] + \$cYafterSort[1])/2 \ ; \\ {\rm float} \ \$Py1 = (\$cYafterSort[1] + \$cYafterSort[2])/2 \ ; \\ {\rm float} \ \$Py2 = (\$cYafterSort[2] + \$cYafterSort[3])/2 \ ; \\ \end{array}
 //chromosome Y 的邊長
//Chromosome Z 中心座標
 \begin{array}{l} float \ Pz0 = (\$cZafterSort[0] + \$cZafterSort[1])/2 \ ; \\ float \ \$Pz1 = (\$cZafterSort[1] + \$cZafterSort[2])/2 \ ; \\ float \ \$Pz2 = (\$cZafterSort[2] + \$cZafterSort[3])/2 \ ; \\ \end{array} 
 //chromosome Z 的邊長
global float $coordX[2];
global float $coordY[2];
global float $coordZ[2];
 $coordX[0]=$Px0;
$coordX[1]=$Px1;
$coordX[2]=$Px2;
$coordY[0]=$Py0;
$coordY[1]=$Py1;
$coordY[2]=$Py2;
 $coordZ[0]=$Pz0;
 $coordZ[1]=$Pz1
 $coordZ[2]=$Pz2;
 float $Pxarray[] = {$Px0, $Px1, $Px2};
float $Pyarray[] = {$Py0, $Py1, $Py2};
float $Pzarray[] = {$Pz0, $Pz1, $Pz2};
$NumberZ = size($Pzarray);
 global matrix $cube[27][6];
for (\$i = 0; \$i < \$NumberX; \$i++) {
```

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\label{eq:first-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-state-
                                                   }
                               select $name1 $name2;
                               duplicate -name usedCube1;
                              delete $name1 $name2;
string $used[] = `ls -sl`;
select -cl;
                    string $used1 = $used[0] + ".visibility";
string $used2 = $used[1] + ".visibility";
setAttr $used1 0;
                    setAttr $used2 0;
                              //設其他的材質爲透明
setAttr "lambert1.color" -type double3 0.739029 0.707506 0.95868;
setAttr "lambert1.transparency" -type double3 0.9 0.9 0.9 ;
                                global int $generation;
                              for($k=$indexg = ($generation-1)*27;
for($k=$indexg; $kk<$indexg+27; $kk++){
int $kki = $kk-($generation-1)*27;
                                                 int $kki = $kk-($generation-1)*27

string $chromoname;

$chromoname = "chromo" + $kk;

float $px = $cube[$kki][0];

float $dx = $cube[$kki][1];

float $py = $cube[$kki][2];

float $dy = $cube[$kki][3];

float $py = $cube[$kki][4].
                                                  float $pz = $cube[$kki][4];
float $dz = $cube[$kki][5];
                                                   polyCube -w 1 -h 1 -d 1 -sx 1 -sy 1 -sz 1 -ax 0 1 0 -tx 1 -ch 1 -n
$chromoname;
                                                  setAttr ($chromoname +".scaleX") $dx;
setAttr ($chromoname +".scaleY") $dy;
setAttr ($chromoname +".scaleZ") $dz;
                                                   move -r $px $py $pz;
                                select -cl;
global proc propagate(int $rG){ setAttr "lambert1.color" -type double3 0.739029 0.707506 0.95868; setAttr "lambert1.transparency" -type double3 0.4 0.4 0.4 ; int $indexg = ($rG-1)*27;
                               for($rkk=$indexg; $rkk<$indexg+27; $rkk++){
                              string $chromoname;
$chromoname= "chromo" + $rkk;
                                float x = \text{ rand } 1;
                               string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
                               if (\$x < 0.5){
                                                             setAttr $name 1;
                               }else{
                                                             setAttr $name 0;
}
```

// 2. Initializing Stage

```
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Selcting Initilizeing | Propagating | 1
  PolyCube
              cube
  Control Tools
     1
   select
              move
  1:Selecting Stage
           Select Object
       Generate Chromosome
           Randomization
  2:Initializing Stage
         Set PopulationSize
         Set Complex Value
           Fitness Value
           Propagating
          GotoMatingPool
```

```
global proc setPopulationSize(){
           string $text;
         string stext;
string $result = `promptDialog
-title "Set the Size of Population"
-message "Enter Desire Size:"
-button "OK" -button "Cancel"
-defaultButton "OK" -cancelButton "Cancel"
-dismissString "Cancel"`;
          if ($result == "OK") {
    $text = `promptDialog -query -text`;
    //print $text;
    global string $populationSize;
    $populationSize = $text;
global proc setComplex(){
    string $text;
    string $result = `promptDialog
    -title "Set the Fitness of gene Complex"
               -unessage "Enter Complex Value:"
-button "OK" -button "Cancel"
-defaultButton "OK" -cancelButton "Cancel"
-dismissString "Cancel";
          if (\text{sresult} == "OK") 
                global procFitnessValue(){
          string $text;
          string Stext;
string $result = `promptDialog
-title "Set the Size of Population"
-message "Enter Desire Size:"
-button "OK" -button "Cancel"
-defaultButton "OK" -cancelButton "Cancel"
-dismissString "Cancel";
          if ($result == "OK") {
    $text = `promptDialog -query -text`;
    //print $text;
    global string $RankValue;
    $RankValue = $text;
proc string generGeneCode(int $fComplex, int $geneSize, int $nGeneration){
                global int $chromo[];
               global int $chromoselected[];
global int $finalSelectedIndex;
                //int $chromo[];
               //int $chromoselected[];
//int $finalSelectedIndex;
                int $weight[];
                int $weightRang[];
                int $weightSum[];
                int $ncol;
                int $nrow:
                 \begin{array}{l} for(\mbox{sncol}=0\;;\;\mbox{sncol}<\mbox{sgeneSize}\;;\;\mbox{sncol}++)\{\\ for(\mbox{snrow}=0\;;\;\mbox{snrow}<\mbox{27}\;;\;\mbox{snrow}++)\{\\ \mbox{sindex}=\mbox{sncol}*\mbox{27}\;+\;\mbox{snrow}; \end{array} 
                                                               $chromo[$index]= 0;
                \begin{array}{l} for(\mbox{sncol}{=}0\;;\;\mbox{sncol}{<}\mbox{sgeneSize}\;;\;\mbox{sncol}{+})\{\\ for\;(\mbox{snrow}{=}0\;;\;\mbox{snrow}{<}\mbox{sfComplex}\;;\;\mbox{snrow}{+})\} \end{array} 
                                                i = \text{`rand } 27;
                                               int $nrowf = \trunc(\$i)\';
                                               $index = $ncol*27 + $nrowf;
$chromo[$index]= 1;
                //**************
                //
//基因架構的產生
               global int $weight[];
$weight = {25, 30, 25, 30, 40, 38, 25, 38, 36, 38, 40, 30, 40, 42, 40, 30, 40, 38, 25, 38, 40, 30, 25, 30, 25};
```

```
clear $weightRang;
for($ncol=0; $ncol<$geneSize; $ncol++){
    for ($nrow =0; $nrow<27; $nrow++){
        $index = $ncol*27 + $nrow;
    if ($chromo[$index]== 1){
        $weightRang[$index] = $weight[$nrow];
                     }else{
                               \ weightRang[\index] = 0;
          //比較十個基因 weight 的大小
          clear $weightSum;
          for($ncol=0; $ncol<$geneSize; $ncol++){
for ($nrow =0; $nrow<27; $nrow++){
$index = $ncol*27 + $nrow;
                               $weightSum[$ncol] = $weightSum[$ncol] +
$weightRang[$index];
          //將$wieghtSum[]依照大小排列
global int $weightSumSort[];
$weightSumSort = `sort $weightSum`;
          global int $weightSSmax;
          $weightSSmax = size($weightSumSort)-1;
          \begin{array}{l} for \ (\$i=0 \ ; \$i < size(\$weightSum) \ ; \$i++) \{ \\ if \ (\$weightSumSort[\$weightSmax] == \$weightSum[\$i]) \{ \\ \$finalSelectedIndex = \$i; \end{array}
                 o Shiller
          for ($nrow =0; $nrow<27; $nrow++){
    int $index = $finalSelectedIndex*27 + $nrow;
    $chromoselected[$nrow] = $chromo[$index];
          for ($nrow =0 ; $nrow<27; $nrow++){
   int $index = $finalSelectedIndex*27 + $nrow;
   $chromoselected[$nrow] = $chromo[$index];</pre>
          for ($i=0; $i<size($weightSum); $i++){
    if ($weightSumSort[$weightSSmax] == $weightSum[$i]){
             setAttr $name 1;
                               }else{
                                          setAttr $name 0;
                     }
          string $abcde;
for ($i=0; $i<27; $i++){
    string $abc = $chromoselected[$i];
    $abcde = $abcde + $abc;
          string $outputStringIndex;
          $outputStringIndex = "0" + $finalSelectedIndex;
          $weightR = `sort $weight`;
          global int $geneFitSum ;
          $geneFitSum = 0;
          global int $fitPercent;
                     for($i=0;$i<($fComplex+1);$i++){
                     int j = 26;
                     $geneFitSum = $geneFitSum + $weightR[26-$i];
```

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// 3. Propagating Stage



```
global proc chooseParentinPool(string $pgString){
//string $pgString;
//IndexNum:33_Weight:83%11101111100110010010101010
        global string $mpool[];
global string $mpoolweiString[]; //string array
global int $mpoolweiValue[]; //int array
         print $mpool[$i];
                  print @mpoor[@f];
print ("\n");
print $mpoolweiString[$i];
print ("\n");
                  string $stringTOintA;
string $stringTOintB;
                  $stringTOintA = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 1 1`;
$stringTOintB = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 2 2`;
                 int $digit10th;
int $digit1th;
                 if ($stringTOintA == "1"){
                           digit 10th = 10
                  }else if($stringTOintA == "2"){
                           digit 10th = 20
                  }else if($stringTOintA == $digit10th = 30
                  }else if($stringTOintA ==
$digit10th = 40
                  }else if($stringTOintA == "5"){
                  $digit10th = 50;
}else if($stringTOintA == "6"){
$digit10th = 60;
                  }else if($stringTOintA == "7"){
    $digit10th = 70 ;
                  }else if($stringTOintA == "8"){
$digit10th = 80;
                  }else if($stringTOintA == "9"){
$digit10th = 90 ;
                  }else{
                          $digit10th = 0;
               $digit1th = 1;

}else if($stringTOintB == "2"){

$digit1th = 2;

$digit1th = 2;
                                 if ($stringTOintB == "1"){
                  }else if($stringTOintB == "3"){
$digit1th = 3 ;
                  }else if($stringTOintB == "4"){
                           digit1th = 4
                  }else if($stringTOintB == "5"){
                           digit1th = 5
                  digit1th = 7
                  }else if($stringTOintB == "8"){
                           digit1th = 8
                  }else if($stringTOintB == "9"){
$digit1th = 9 ;
                  }else{
                           digit1th = 0;
                  $mpoolweiValue[$i] = $digit10th + $digit1th;
                 print $mpoolweiValue[$i]; // string array
                  print ("\n");
         }
         global int $mpoolweiValueS[];
$mpoolweiValueS = `sort $mpoolweiValue`;
         int $indexMPmax1 = size($mpoolweiValueS)-1;
         int $indexMPmax2 = size($mpoolweiValueS)-2;
         global int $geneParentIndex1;
         global int $geneParentIndex2;
         global string $geneParent1;
```

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global string $geneParent2;
                                 \label{eq:continuous} \begin{array}{l} \text{for } (\$n=0; \$n<\text{size}(\$mpoolweiValue); \$n++) \{\\ \text{if } (\$mpoolweiValueS[\$indexMPmax1] == \$mpoolweiValue[\$n]) \{\\ \end{array}
                                                                                                  $geneParentIndex1 = $n;
$geneParent1 = $mpool[$n];
if ($n==(size($mpoolweiValue)-1)){
                                                                                                                                   properties = pro
                                                                                                                                   $geneParent2 = $mpool[$geneParentIndex2];
                                                                                                   else if($n == 0)
                                                                                                                                   $geneParentIndex2 = $n+1;
                                                                                                                                   $\vec{g}\text{eneParent2} = $\text{mpool}[\text{g}\text{eneParentIndex2}];
                                                                                                   }else{
                                                                                                                                   percentIndex2 = n-1;
                                                                                                                                   $geneParent2 = $mpool[$geneParentIndex2];
  global proc string onePcrossover(string $parent1, string $parent2, int $nGeneration){
                                  int $onePIndex1 = trunc (`rand 2 26`);
                                  print (sonePIndex1+"\n");
string new1Pchild = `substring parent1 1 onePIndex1` + `substring parent2 (onePIndex1+1) 27`;
                                 string $new1PchildCon[]; for ($i=1; $i<28; $i++){
                                                                  $new1PchildCon[$i] = `substring $new1Pchild $i $i`;
                                 for ($j=0; $j<27; $j++){
int $indexG;
                                                                   \frac{3indexG}{\sin G} = \frac{3i}{\sin G} + \frac{3indexG}{\sin G} = \frac{3i}{\sin G} + \frac{3indexG}{\sin G} = \frac{
                                 string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;
string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
if ( $new1PchildCon[$j] == "1"){
                                                                   setAttr $name 1;
                                  }else{
                                                                   setAttr $name 0;
  print ("Index:" + $onePIndex1 + "\n"
+$parent1+"\n"+$parent2+"\n"+"new:"+"\n"+$new1Pchild+"\n");
print ("\n");
                                  return $new1Pchild;
  global proc string twoPcrossover(string $parent1, string $parent2, int
  $nGeneration){
                                  int $twoPIndex1 = trunc (`rand 3 26`);
                                  int $twoPIndex2;
                                  if(\text{stwoPIndex } 1 > 13){
                                                                   $twoPIndex2 = trunc (`rand 1 $twoPIndex1`);
                                   }else{
                                                                   $twoPIndex2 = trunc (\rand (\$twoPIndex1+2) 26\rangle);
                                  int $pIndex[]= {$twoPIndex1, $twoPIndex2};
                                $pIndex = `sort $pIndex`;
int $pDifference1 = $pIndex[1] - $pIndex[0];
int $pDifference2 = 26 - $pIndex[1];
                                 int $twoPindex1Len = trunc (`rand 1 $pDifference1`);
int $twoPindex2Len = trunc (`rand 1 $pDifference2`);
                                  int $twoPindex[];
int $twoPindex[];

$twoPindex[0] = $pIndex[0];

$twoPindex[1] = $pIndex[0]+$twoPindex1Len;

$twoPindex[2] = $pIndex[1];

$twoPindex[3] = $pIndex[1]+$twoPindex2Len;

$new2Pchild = `substring $parent1 1 $twoPindex[0]` + `substring $parent2

($twoPindex[0]+1) $twoPindex[1]' +
                                                                                                                                                substring $parent1 ($twoPindex[1]+1)
 $\twoPindex[2]\` + \`substring \text{$parent2 (\text{$twoPindex[2]}+1) \text{$twoPindex[3]}' + \`substring \text{$parent1 (\text{$twoPindex[3]}+1) 27';}
                                    string $new2PchildCon[];
                                  for (\$i=0; \$i<27; \$i++)
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int $indexG;
                                                          \frac{1}{27};
                            string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;
string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
if ( $new2PchildCon[$j] == "1" ){
                                                         setAttr $name 1;
                              }else{
                                                          setAttr $name 0;
 \begin{array}{c} print ("Index\_1 :" + twoPindex[0] + "\n" + "Length\_1 :" + twoPindex1Len + "\n" + "Index\_2 :" + twoPindex[2] + "\n" + "Length\_2 :" + twoPindex[2] + "\n" + "Length\_3 :" + twoPindex[3] + "\n" + "Length\_3 :" + twoPindex[3] + "\n" + "Length\_1 :" + twoPindex[3] + "\n" + "Length\_1 :" + twoPindex[3] + "\n" + "Length\_3 :" + twoPindex[4] + "\n" + twoPin
$twoPindex2Len + "\n" + $new2Pchild + "\n");
print ("Parent :" + "\n" + $parent1 + "\n" + $parent2 + "\n" );
                            print ("\n");
return $new2Pchild;
global proc string threePcrossover(string $parent1, string $parent2, int
 $nGeneration){
                             int $threePIndex1 = trunc (`rand 4 26`);
                           int $threePIndex2;
int $threePIndex3;
                             if(\text{threePIndex } 1 > 18)
                                                          $threePIndex2 = trunc (`rand 1 ($threePIndex1-1)`);
                                                         if(\text{threePIndex 2} > (\text{threePIndex 1/2})){
                                                                                      $threePIndex3 = trunc (`rand 1 ($threePIndex2-1)`);
                                                          }else{
                                                                                      $threePIndex3 = trunc (\text{rand (\text{$threePIndex2+2)}}
($threePIndex1-1)`);
                               else if (9 < threePIndex 1 < 18)
                                                       $threePIndex2 = trunc (`rand 2 ($threePIndex1-1)`);
$threePIndex3 = trunc (`rand ($threePIndex1+2) 26`);
                             }else{
                                                        ($threePIndex2-1)`);
                                                          }else{
                                                                                    $threePIndex3 = trunc (\text{rand ($threePIndex2+2) 26});
                           int $pIndex3[]= {$threePIndex1, $threePIndex2, $threePIndex3};
$pIndex3 = 'sort $pIndex3';
int $p3Difference1 = $pIndex3[1] - $pIndex3[0];
int $p3Difference2 = $pIndex3[2] - $pIndex3[1];
int $p3Difference3 = 26 - $pIndex3[2];
                            \label{eq:continuous} \begin{array}{ll} int $threePindex1Len = trunc \ (`rand 1 $p3Difference1`); \\ int $threePindex2Len = trunc \ (`rand 1 $p3Difference2`); \\ int $threePindex3Len = trunc \ (`rand 1 $p3Difference3`); \\ \end{array}
                           int $threePindex[];
$threePindex[0] = $pIndex3[0];
$threePindex[1] = $pIndex3[0]+$threePindex1Len;
$threePindex[2] = $pIndex3[1];
                            $threePindex[3] = $pIndex3[1]+$threePindex2Len;
$threePindex[4] = $pIndex3[2];
$threePindex[5] = $pIndex3[2]+$threePindex3Len;
                             //print $threePindex:
\ Prime Pindex[0]' + 'substring \ parent 1 1 three Pindex[0]' + 'substring parent 2 (\ three Pindex[0]+1) three Pindex[1]'+
                                                                                                                              `substring $parent1 ($threePindex[1]+1)
$\text{$threePindex[2]' + `substring $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[2]+1) $threePindex[3]' + `substring $\text{parent1 ($threePindex[3]+1)} $threePindex[4]' + `substring $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[4]+1) $threePindex[5]' + $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[4]+1) } $threePindex[6]' + $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[6]+1) } $threePindex[6]' + $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[6]+1) } $threePindex[6]' + $\text{parent2 ($threePindex[6]+
                                                                                                                               substring $parent1 ($threePindex[5]+1) 27;
                              string $new3PchildCon[];
                            for ($j=0; $j<27; $j++){
                                                         int $indexG;
                                                          \frac{1}{\sin dexG} = \frac{1}{\sin Generation-1} \times 27;
                            string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;
string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
if ( $new3PchildCon[$j] == "1" ){
                                                        setAttr $name 1;
```

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}else{
                                                                        setAttr $name 0:
                                                     print ("\n");
return $new3Pchild;
                                                     global proc mutationGene(string $pgString, int $nGeneration){
M Genetic P... 0 0 0
                                                              global string $mpool[];
                                                              global string $mpoolweiString[]; //string array global int $mpoolweiValue[]; //int array
 Selcting Initilizeing Propagating 4 >
                                                               \begin{array}{l} for (\$i=0; \$i<(size(\$pgString)/50);\$i++) \{ \\ \$mpool[\$i] = `substring \$pgString (23+\$i*50) (49+\$i*50)`; \\ \$mpoolweiString[\$i] = `substring \$pgString (20+\$i*50) (21+\$i*50)`; \\ \end{array} 
                                                                        string $stringTOintA;
                                                                        string $stringTOintB;
                                                                        $stringTOintA = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 1 1`;
$stringTOintB = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 2 2`;
          2 Two-Point Crossover
                                                                        int $digit10th;
                                                                       int $digit1th;
e[$i] = $digit10th + $digit1th;
                                                              global int $mpoolweiValueS[];
$mpoolweiValueS = `sort $mpoolweiValue`;
   3.2: Mutation & Heuristic
                                                               string $mutationString;
                                                               string $mutationArray[];
                                                              single Mutation
              Multiple Mutation
              Heuristic Search
                                                             for ($i=1; $i<(size($mutationString)+1);$i++){
    $mutationArray[$i] = `substring $mutationString $i $i`;
   3.3:Reproduction
                                                                        print ("old:");
                                                                       print ("\n");
for($i=0; $i<27;$i++){
                                                                                print $mutationArray[$i];
   3.4:Integration
                                                              int $indexMdigit = trunc(`rand 1 27`);
print ("Mutation Location : "+$indexMdigit+"\n");
if($mutationArray[$indexMdigit] == "0"){
$mutationArray[$indexMdigit] = "1";
              Set Visible Index
                                                               }else{
                                                                        $mutationArray[$indexMdigit] = "0";
                                                                        print ("new:");
                                                                        print ("\n");
for($i=0; $i<27;$i++){
                                                                                print $mutationArray[$i];
                                                              print ("\n");
                                                              int $indexC;

$indexG = $j+($nGeneration-1)*27;

string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;

string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";

if ( $mutationArray[$j] == "1" ){
                                                                        setAttr $name 1;
                                                               }else{
                                                                        setAttr $name 0:
                                                     global proc mutationGene1(string $pgString, int $nGeneration){
                                                              string $stringTOintA;
                                                                        string $stringTOintB;
                                                                        $stringTOintA = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 1 1`;
```

```
$stringTOintB = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 2 2`;
          int $digit10th;
         int $digit1th;
         if ($stringTOintA == "1"){
          $digit10th = 10 ;
}else if($stringTOintA == "2"){
$digit10th = 20 ;
          }else if($stringTOintA =
                   digit 10th = 30
          }else if($stringTOintA == "4"){
          $digit10th = 40 ;
}else if($stringTOintA == "5"){
$digit10th = 50 ;
          }else if($stringTOintA == "6"){
$digit10th = 60 ;
          }else if($stringTOintA == "7"
$digit10th = 70
          }else if($stringTOintA == "8"){
         $digit10th = 80
}else if($stringTOintA ==
$digit10th = 90
          }else{
                   digit10th = 0;
         if ($stringTOintB == "1"){
    $digit1th = 1 ;
}else if($stringTOintB == "2"){
    $digit1th = 2 ;
          }else if($stringTOintB == "3"){
          $digit1th = 3 ;
}else if($stringTOintB == "4"){
          $digit1th = 4 ;
}else if($stringTOintB == "5"){
$digit1th = 5 ;
          }else if($stringTOintB == "6"){
                   digit1th = 6;
         digit1th = 9
                   digit1th = 0;
$mpoolweiValue[$i] = $digit10th + $digit1th;
global int $mpoolweiValueS[];
$mpoolweiValueS = `sort $mpoolweiValue`;
string $mutationString;
string $mutationArray[];
         int $indexM;
int $mpsize = size($mpool);
$indexM = trunc(`rand 1 $mpsize`);
$mutation$tring = $mpool[$indexM];
          for ($i=1; $i<(size($mutationString)+1);$i++){
                   $mutationArray[$i] = `substring $mutationString $i $i`;
         }else{
                   $mutationArray[$indexMdigit] = "0";
         print ("new:");
         print ("\n");
for($i=0; $i<27;$i++){
                  print $mutationArray[$i];
for (\$j=0;\$j<27;\$j++){
      int $indexG;

$indexG = $j+($nGeneration-1)*27;

string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;

string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
if ( $mutationArray[$j] == "1" ){
          setAttr $name 1;
}else{
          setAttr $name 0;
```

```
global proc heuristicGene(string $pgString, int $nGeneration){
         string $mpool[];
         for ($i=0; $i<(size($pgString)/50);$i++){
                 $mpool[$i] = `substring $pgString (23+$i*50) (49+$i*50)`;
         int $heuristicValue;
         int $hv1;
         int $hv2:
         string $hvString1;
        string $hvString2;
string $hvString1p[];
string $hvString2p[];
string $heuristicString;
string $heuristicArray[];
         int $p1;
        int $p1;
int $p2;
$p1 = trunc (`rand 1 90`);
$p2 = 100-$p1;
int $mpSize = size($mpool);
int $idexHrand1 = trunc (`rand 1 $mpSize`);
int $idexHrand2 = trunc (`rand 1 $mpSize`);
         $hvString1 = $mpool[$idexHrand1];
         print ("Heuristic Value 1 = "); int $iHcaculate;
         global int $hv1;
for ($iHcaculate = 0; $iHcaculate<size($hvString1p); $iHcaculate++){
                  if ($hvString1p[$iHcaculate] == 0){
                  int $powH1 =0;
$hv1 = $hv1 + 0;
print ($powH1);
                          int $powH2 = `pow 2 (26-$iHcaculate)`;
$hv1 = $hv1 + $powH2;
print ($powH2);
                 print ("+");
        print (" = " + $hv1 + ";" + "\n");
print ("Heuristic Value 2 = ");
         global int $hv2;
for ($iHcaculate = 0; $iHcaculate<(size($hvString2p)); $iHcaculate++){
                 if ($hvString2p[$iHcaculate] == 0){
                          int $powH1 =0;
$hv2 = $hv2 + 0;
                          print ($powH1);
                  }else{
                          int $powH2 = `pow 2 (26-$iHcaculate)`;
$hv2 = $hv2 + $powH2;
                          print ($powH2);
                 print ("+");
         print (" = " + hv2 + ";"+"\n");
"+ B " + hv2 + " X " + p2 +" %" + "\n" + "= H "
+$heuristicValue + "\n");
int $caculateH = $heuristicValue;
         for ($iHs = 0; $iHs < size($hvString1p); $iHs++){
int $powCompare = `pow 2 (27-$iHs)`;
                  if ($caculateH > $powCompare ){
                          $heuristicString = $heuristicString + 1;
$caculateH = $caculateH - $powCompare;
                  }else{
                           $heuristicString = $heuristicString + 0;
         print ("The string code of this heuristic operation =" + $heuristicString + ";"
+"\n");
         for ($i=0: $i<size($heuristicString):$i++){
                  $heuristicArray[$i] = `substring $heuristicString ($i+1) ($i+1)`;
         print ("\n");
         print ('\n');
print ("\n");
for ($j=0; $j<27; $j++){
                 int $indexG:
                  \frac{1}{27};
```

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string $chromoname = "chromo" + $indexG;
                                                                          string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
                                                                 if ( $heuristicArray[$j] == "1" ){
                                                                           setAttr $name 1;
                                                                 }else{
                                                                           setAttr $name 0;
                                                       global proc string m1RGene(string $pgString, int $nGeneration){
M Genetic P... 🔴 🖯 🔴
                                                                 global string $mpool[];
                                                                 global string $mpoolweiString[]; //string array
Selcting Initilizeing Propagating 4 >
                                                                 global int $mpoolweiValue[];
                                                                                                                //int array
                                                                 for ($i=0; $i<(size($pgString)/50);$i++){
  $mpool[$i] = `substring $pgString (23+$i*50) (49+$i*50)`;
                                                                           mpoolweiString[$i] = `substring $pgString (20+$i*50) (21+$i*50)`;
                                                                          string $stringTOintA;
string $stringTOintB;
$stringTOintA = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 1 1`;
$stringTOintB = `substring $mpoolweiString[$i] 2 2';
           2 Two-Point Crossover
                                                                          int $digit10th;
            4 Uniform Crossover
                                                                          int $digit1th;
                                                                          if ($stringTOintA == "1"){
   3.2: Mutation & Heuristic
                                                                                    digit 10th = 10
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA == "2"){
$digit10th = 20 ;
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA =
                                                                           $digit10th = 30
}else if($stringTOintA ==
$digit10th = 40
              Multiple Mutation
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA =
                                                                           $digit10th = 50;
}else if($stringTOintA == "6"){
   3.3:Reproduction
                                                                                    digit 10th = 60
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA == "7"){
$digit10th = 70;
                Reproduction
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA == "8"){
$digit10th = 80;
   3.4:Integration
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintA == "9"){
                                                                                    $digit10th = 90
                                                                                   digit10th = 0;
                                                                          if ($stringTOintB == "1"){
                                                                           $digit1th = 1 ;
}else if($stringTOintB == "2"){
                                                                           $digit1th = 2 ;
}else if($stringTOintB == "3"){
$digit1th = 3 ;
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintB == "4"){
                                                                                    digit1th = 4
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintB == "5"){
                                                                                    digit1th = 5
                                                                           \} else \ if (\$stringTOintB == "6") \{
                                                                                    digit1th = 6
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintB == "7"){
$digit1th = 7;
                                                                           }else if($stringTOintB == "8"){
                                                                                    digit1th = 8
                                                                          $digit1th = 8;
}else if($stringTOintB == "9"){
                                                                                    digit1th = 9;
                                                                           }else{
                                                                                    digit1th = 0;
                                                                          $mpoolweiValue[$i] = $digit10th + $digit1th;
                                                                global int $mpoolweiValueS[];
$mpoolweiValueS = `sort $mpoolweiValue`;
string $reproductionString;
                                                                 string $reproductionArray[];
                                                                 int $idexRmax = size($mpoolweiValueS)-1;
                                                                \label{eq:continuous} \begin{split} &\text{for ($i$=0:$i$<size($mpoolweiValue);$i$++)} \{\\ &\text{if ($mpoolweiValueS[$idexRmax] == $mpoolweiValue[$i])} \{\\ &\text{$reproductionString = $mpool[$i];} \end{split}
                                                                 return $reproductionString;
```

// 4. Terminating Stage



```
global proc resetG(){
       string $text;
string $result = `promptDialog
-title "Reset Generation"
          -tute Reset Generation
-message "Enter Gneration:"
-button "OK" -button "Cancel"
-defaultButton "OK" -cancelButton "Cancel"
-dismissString "Cancel";
      if ($result == "OK") {
    $text = `promptDialog -query -text`;
    int $index = `size $text`;
    global int $geneResetIndex[];
                     clear $geneResetIndex;
                     for($i=0; $i<$index; $i++){
                                $geneResetIndex[$i] = `substring $text ($index-$i)
($index-$i)`;
                    }
int $s2i[];
for($i=0; $i<$index; $i++){
    if ($geneResetIndex[$i] == "0"){
        $$2i[$i] = 0;
        **CeaneResetIndex[$i] ==
                                else if(\$geneResetIndex[\$i] == "3"){
                                            s2i[i] = 3;
                                 }else if($geneResetIndex[$i] == "4"){
                                s2i[i] = 6;
                                }else if($geneResetIndex[$i] == "7"){
    $s2i[$i] = 7;
}else if($geneResetIndex[$i] == "8"){
    $$2i[$i] = 8;
                                 }else{
                                            s2i[i] = 9;
                     | global int $resetGindex;
| for ($i =0; $i<$index; $i++){
| int $digit = `pow 10 $i`;
| $resetGindex = $s2i[$i]*$digit;
                The state of
global proc controlResetG(int $num){
          int $indexg = ($num-1)*27;
for($rkk= $indexg; $rkk<$indexg+27; $rkk++){
           string $chromoname;
                     $chromoname= "chromo" + $rkk;
          float x = \text{`rand 1'};
          string $name = $chromoname + ".visibility";
          if (\$x < 0.5)
                     setAttr $name 1;
           }else{
                      setAttr $name 0;
}
```