

Good Parameters for PSO in Optimizing Laying Hen Diet

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ABSTRACT

Manual formulation of poultry diet by taking into account the fulfillment of all nutrients requirement with least cost is a difficult task. Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) shows promising technique to solve this problem. However, there is a lack of studying a good parameter for PSO to solve feed formulation problem since PSO is sensitive to control parameter which depends on the problem. Therefore, this study investigates good swarm size, total iterations, acceleration coefficients, and inertia weight to produce a better formula. PSO with proposed good parameters is compared with other parameters. The obtained result shows that PSO with good parameters choice produces the highest fitness. Furthermore, good parameters of PSO can be used as a reference for a software developer and for further research to optimize poultry diet using PSO.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Feed that given on daily basis to poultry like laying hens is essential for growth, reproduction, and health. Feed should provide the nutrients that fulfill the nutrient's requirement for an animal. In poultry diets, the essential nutrients are protein, amino acids, carbohydrates, fats, minerals, and vitamins. These nutrients are important for producing meat and eggs [1]. Every class of animals with different stage or age require different nutrient requirements that needs different formula. When we take into account the cost of feed and several nutrient requirements, it becomes a complicated task to find the optimum formula that satisfy all nutrient requirements with least cost [2].

A feed intake by laying hens will affect the eggs production and price. It can be obtained only from a good formula which fulfills the nutrient requirements. Unfortunately, the highest cost production is in the feed approximately 65-70 % of all cost production. The feed and other cost have a positive correlation to the eggs price. If the producer can lower the cost with optimum feed's formula, it will become cost-saving for him and may decrease the eggs price [3].

In Formulating the optimum formula, several factors must be considered simultaneously like the availability of local resources, fluctuating prices, and proper nutrition. A number of manual formulation such as trial and error, simultaneous algebraic equations, pearson's square method have fail to produce optimum formula due to complexity when considering many nutrients and taking into account the feed's price. Another approach, stochastic approach, has been employed by previous researches such as, Chance Constrained Programming (CCP), Quadratic Programming (QP), and Risk Formulation (RP). CCP is nonlinear method that used for feed formulation but consuming time since trial and error method is used in each iterations. QP is not suitable on the large problem and RP is a complex method [4].

Meta-heuristic approach for stochastic optimization can be used to find optimal feed formulation [5]. It overcomes the lack of heuristic approach in the large search space [6]. It involving the objective function to evaluate the fitness of candidate solution and can be used to determine the direction of search trajectories for finding better candidate solution [7].

One of the meta-heuristic methods that can be employed to overcome the deficiency of those methods is Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO). PSO has shown a promising optimization method to solve a complex problem such as power system [8], electronic industry, wireless sensor network, feature selection [9], circuit design [10], multi-objective optimization [11], and determining neuron weights in fuzzy neural networks [12].

In previous studies conducted by Altun and Şahman [13], PSO is employed to formulate optimum feed on several animals such as cattle, sheep, and rabbits. This algorithm can handle the constraint of each feed and can find the optimum solution for complex nutritional needs with least cost. The result shows us that PSO is able to provide a better solution than linear programming methods and genetic algorithm. In the other hand, the model of multi-objective optimization based on PSO defined in Xu study [14]. However, their study does not investigate the good parameter for PSO.

When employing PSO, good choice for control parameter such as inertia weight, cognitive and social coefficient may enhance the performance of PSO. Furthermore, good parameter initialization depends on the problem and different problem may require a different choice of control parameters. The right parameter choice may lead particle to exploit or explore search trajectory to the optimum solution. While the wrong choice may aggravate the PSO ability for finding the global optimum solution [15]. The good swarm size and total iteration could affect PSO performance significantly. Therefore, it is important to choose good control parameters of PSO for a particular problem. Furthermore, the software developer can select the good parameter for their application.

In the feed mix problem, the complexity of search space depends on the choice of feed that has nutrient value, stage of laying hen, and fluctuating prices. When producer changes the choices, the feed composition based on the choice is also changed. Thus, it is important to choose good parameter based on several formulae rather than just one.

The objective of this study is to investigate the good swarm size, a number of iteration, acceleration coefficients, and inertia weight of PSO in optimizing laying hen diet. The experiment is based on five different formula that needs to be optimized. The obtained good parameters than compared to another parameter's value in PSO in order to find the optimum formula. Optimum means that the feed is fulfilling the nutrient requirements with least cost.

2. RESEARCH METHOD

The swarm intelligence approach and the application to optimize laying hen diet is discussed in following:

2.1. Particle swarm optimization

Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) gaining popularity since its emergence in 1995 by Eberhart and Kennedy [16] and inertia weight is added by Shi and Eberhart [17] to control the momentum of global best position and personal best position. PSO is an algorithm to find optimum solution that inspired from the population-based movement of swarm of fish and bird [18].

The first step is to generate initial swarm or population which each particle or individual (candidate solution) have their own velocity and position. Next step is to calculate the fitness function of each particle. Then save the best fitness value of each particle as Pbest (best position in a particle) and save the best of all particles as Gbest (best position of all particles). Then update the velocity and position of each particle with Equations (1) and (2). PBest of each particle is updated as well as gBest. This process continues until the terminate condition is satisfied. Finally, Gbest becomes the optimum solution among all the particles.

$$P_{velocity}(i) = w \cdot P_{velocity}(i) + c_1 \cdot r_1 \left(P_{pBest}(i) - P_{position}(i) \right) + c_2 \cdot r_2 \left(P_{gBest} - P_{position}(i) \right) \quad (1)$$

$$P_{position}(i) = P_{position}(i) + P_{velocity}(i) \quad (2)$$

Each particle represents the candidate solution which has velocity and position respectively. Velocity updated based on the best its own particle and the best of all particle. Therefore, the particle has attractiveness to personal best and global best position.

2.2. PSO Application to optimization of laying hen diet

The value for each dimension in a particle is real value that must satisfy the hard constraint which is equal to 100. $P_i(t)$ denotes the particle i -th at t -iteration that contain a set of various types of feed (x_i) with a specific percentage and D denotes the total type of feed which also denotes the dimension of particles. The particle in particular iteration can be expressed in following :

$$P_i(t) = \{x_{i,1}, x_{i,2}, x_{i,3}, \dots, x_{i,D}\}$$

On the condition that total number of x_i in the set $P_i(t)$ is equal to 100. Thus, particle representation of i -th particle for feed formulation is shown in Figure 2 and the example of particle representation which have $D = 3$ is shown in Figure 1.

During particle movement, total percentage may not satisfy 100%. Thus, Equation (3) is used to adjust the current total percentage to 100%.

Feed ₁	Feed ₂	...	Feed _j	...	Feed _D	Total percentage
$x_{i,1}$	$x_{i,2}$...	$x_{i,j}$...	$x_{i,D}$	$\sum_{j=1}^D x_{i,j} = 100$

Figure 1. Particle representation

p_1 (corn)	p_2 (barn)	p_3 (concentrate)	Total Percentage
35,000	50,000	15,000	100

Figure 2. Example of particle representation

$$x_{i,j} = \text{round} \left(\frac{x_{i,j}}{\sum_{j=1}^D x_{i,j}} \times 100\% \right) \tag{3}$$

For example in t -th iteration of particle i , the particle have the following values:

Corn	Barn	Concentrate	Total Percentage
54,897	30,564	34,539	120%

Since total percentage is not equal to 100%, this particle need readjustment. An example of readjustment process of the particle can be seen in following :

$$x_{i,1} = \frac{54,897}{120} \times 100\% = 45,8333 = 45,7475$$

$$x_{i,2} = \frac{30,564}{120} \times 100\% = 25,47$$

$$x_{i,3} = \frac{34,539}{120} \times 100\% = 29,6158333$$

Corn	Barn	Kosentrat	Total Percentage
45,7475	25,47	29,6158333	100%

Measuring the accuracy of nutrients of particle that fulfill the nutrient requirement is using the distance or penalty between nutrient value (see Appendix for more detail) and actual nutrient requirement. The penalty must be near zero which indicate the formulation is feasible for laying hens diets. Long distance or higher value of penalty represent bad particle as well as cost or price. The more distance of cost, the more particle is not optimum. Therefore the objective function or fitness function in PSO can be described as 1 divided by the sum of penalty and cost that should be maximized as shown in Equation (4).

$$\text{fitness}(P_i) = \frac{1}{p\text{Nutrient}(P_i) + p\text{Cost}(P_i)} \tag{4}$$

Specifically, in order to estimate the distance to produce a good fitness function, the analysis of laying hens nutrient requirements is necessary. As shown in Table 5, the nutrient requirements are different on each layer and each nutrient has different limit that can be categorized as the minimum, maximum, and range of the sufficient nutrient [19]-[24]. Thus, we need a function that accommodate nutrient penalty of each feed which is shown in Equations (5), (6), (7), and (8). $nutrient_a(x_{i,j})$ denotes the nutrient a value on j -th position or feed on i -th particle, k denotes the amount of nutrient requirement of laying hens on particular layer and nutrient. $f_{min}(P_i, a)$, $f_{max}(P_i, a)$, and $f_{range}(P_i, a)$ particularly denote a function which produces a penalty as an output from the requirements of minimum nutrient, maximum nutrient, and range between minimum and maximum value of the nutrient.

Equation (9) is the summation of all penalties of all nutrients in a particle based on the nutrient requirement. Each nutrient has min and max property that show a minimum and maximum value of the nutrient. If min and max property are greater than zero than it is indicated that nutrient has range requirement between min and max value. If the max property value is greater than zero and min property value is equal or less than zero, then it is in indicating that nutrient has minimum requirement. Otherwise, it has a minimum requirement.

The total price of a particle need to be normalized in order to make the price range is close to nutrient value. Thus, the cost function can be defined in Equation (10) where $totalCost(P)$ is the total price in a particle. $maxCost(P)$ denotes the maximum price while $minCost(P)$ denotes the minimum price of all feeds.

However, the position may have negative value during iteration. To overcome this issue, we set the fitness function value to negative. It indicates that the particle can't be a solution to feed formulation problem. During movement, the particles will learn from their cognitive and social experience towards positive fitness value with positive positions.

Table 1. Laying Hens Nutrient Requirements

No	Nutrient	Unit		Layer Pre Starter (1 - 4 Weeks)	Layer Starter (5 - 10 Weeks)	Layer Grower (11 - 16 Weeks)	Pre Layer (17 - 18 Weeks)	Layer (19 - 50 Weeks)	Layer Post Peak (> 50 Weeks)
1	Crude Protein (CP)	%	Min	20.00	19.00	15.50	16.00	16.50	16.00
2	Lysin (Lys)	%	Min	1.00	0.90	0.70	0.75	0.80	0.75
3	Methionine (Met)	%	Min	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.35	0.40	0.35
4	Methionine + Cystine (Met+Cys)	%	Min	0.80	0.70	0.60	0.63	0.67	0.65
5	Tryptophan (Tryp)	%	Min	0.20	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.18	0.17
6	Threonine (Thre)	%	Min	0.75	0.65	0.50	0.52	0.55	0.50
7	Crude Fat (F)	%	Min	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
8	Crude Fiber (CF)	%	Max	6.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	8.00
9	Calcium (Ca)	%	Range	0.80 - 1.20	0.80 - 1.20	0.80 - 1.20	2.00 - 2.70	3.25 - 4.25	3.50 - 4.50
10	Total Phosphorus (P)	%	Min	0.60	0.55	0.46	0.50	0.55	0.50
11	Metabolizable Energy (ME)	Kkal/Kg	Min	2900.00	2800.00	2700.00	2700.00	2700.00	2650.00

Let assume that we use 3 nutrient, first nutrient using the maximum function, the second nutrient using the minimum function, and the third nutrient using range function. Then the fitness function can be defined in Equation (9). Nutrients that used in this study are same with the nutrient requirements in Table 1 and example of feed nutrients is shown in Table 2. Therefore, the fitness function can be defined in Equation (10).

Table 2. Example of Feed Nutrients

No	Nutrient	Unit	Bran	Yellow Corn	Soybeans	Coconut Meal
1	Crude Protein (CP)	%	10.2	8.54	38	18.5
2	Lysin (Lys)	%	0.71	0.2	2.4	0.64

No	Nutrient	Unit	Bran	Yellow Corn	Soybeans	Coconut Meal
3	Methionine (Met)	%	0.27	0.18	0.51	0.29
4	Methionine + Cystine (Met+Cys)	%	0.64	0.36	1.15	0.59
5	Tryptophan (Tryp)	%	0.09	0.1	0.55	0.2
6	Threonine (Thre)	%	0.57	0.4	1.5	0.65
7	Crude Fat (F)	%	7	2.61	18	2.5
8	Crude Fiber (CF)	%	3	0.02	5	15
9	Calcium (Ca)	%	0.04	0.02	0.25	0.2
10	Total Phosphorus (P)	%	0.16	0.1	0.25	0.57
11	Metabolizable Energy (ME)	Kkal/Kg	2860	3370	2860	2200
12	Cost	Rupiah/Kg	3000	3700	5000	4200

$$totalNutrient_a(P_i) = \sum_{j=1}^D \frac{x_{i,j}}{100} \cdot nutrient_a(x_{i,j}) \quad (5)$$

$$f_{min}(P_i, a) = \begin{cases} 0, & totalNutrient_a(P_i) \geq k \\ k - totalNutrient_a(P_i), & totalNutrient_a(P_i) < k \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$f_{max}(P_i, a) = \begin{cases} totalNutrient_a(P_i) - k, & totalNutrient_a(P_i) > k \\ 0, & totalNutrient_a(P_i) \leq k \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

$$f_{range}(P_i, a) = \begin{cases} k_{min} - totalNutrient_a(P_i), & totalNutrient_a(P_i) < k_{min} \\ 0, & k_{min} \leq totalNutrient_a(P_i) \leq k_{max} \\ totalNutrient_a(P_i) - k_{max}, & totalNutrient_a(P_i) > k_{max} \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

$$pNutrient(P_i) = \sum_{j=1}^N \begin{cases} f_{range}(P_i, j), & P_{i,j,min} > 0 \wedge P_{i,j,max} > 0 \\ f_{max}(P_i, j), & P_{i,j,min} \leq 0 \\ f_{min}(P_i, j), & P_{i,j,max} \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

$$pCost(P) = \frac{totalCost(P) - 100 \cdot minCost(P)}{100 \cdot maxCost(P) - 100 \cdot minCost(P)} \quad (10)$$

2.3. Experimental setup

In this study, we perform 4 testing scenario that aim to get insight about good swarm size, the good number of iteration, good acceleration coefficients, good inertia weight and performance of good parameters in PSO for feed formulation in laying hen diets. First control parameter choices are 0.6 for inertia weight coefficient and 1.7 for both acceleration coefficients. All experiment is using grower phase of laying hen.

In the first scenario, we experiment with 5 different formula that can be seen in Table 3 to find a good swarm size. For all formula, we run PSO with different swarm size that has ranged between 10 and 100 by 10 with 10,000 iterations. This scenario designed to figure out the effect of the different combination of feed towards best swarm size for formulating optimum diet.

In the second scenario, the same feed combination from scenario 1 is used which using different total iteration that has ranged between 1,000 to 10,000 by 1,000 and best swarm size is used that derived from scenario 1. This scenario is intended to figure out the best number of iteration towards different feed combinations.

In third scenario, we tuning cognitive and social coefficients to get the best control parameter for PSO in case of feed formulation problem. The value between 0.1 to 2.0 and increased by 0.1 for both coefficient is tested. We use the good swarm size and good number of iterations derived from scenario 1 and 2.

In the fourth scenario, we tuning different value of constant inertia weight for all different formula. The value between 0.1 to 0.9 by 0.1. We use the good swarm size, iteration, and acceleration coefficients derived from scenario 1, 2, and 3.

In the fifth scenario, we use the good swarm size derived from scenario 1, good total iterations derived from scenario 2, good acceleration coefficients derived from scenario 3, and good inertia weight derived from scenario 4. We test these parameters to other parameter settings such as linearly decreasing

inertia weight with $\max = 0.9$ and $\min = 0.4$ since it is considered mostly used in PSO applications [25] and $w = 0.729$, $c1 = 1.494$, $c2 = 1.494$ [26] using formulae in Table 4. Since PSO is stochastic optimization that produce fluctuating results, we run PSO ten times for fair analysis.

Table 3. Test Formulae for Good Parameters

Formula	Feed
5A	3,4,5,25,26
6A	2,4,10,17,24,26
8A	1,3,8,10,11,15,18,21
11A	2,4,8,13,15,16,19,20,21,22,26
15A	0,2,5,6,7,8,9,10,19,25,22,23,24,26,27

Table 4. Test Formulae for Comparison

Formula	Feed
11B	0,1,3,11,13,16,20,22,23,26,30
12B	0,2,3,8,10,15,17,19,20,21,24,26
13B	1,3,5,8,9,10,13,17,19,20,24,27,30

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

All the testing scenarios are implemented using Scala programming language that combines object-oriented and functional paradigm. The results for each scenario is discussed in the following section:

3.1. Good swarm size

The effect of an increase in swarm size for all formula is shown in Figure 3. It is shown that each formula requires different minimum swarm size to found the optimum formula. Formula 5A and 6A need at least 20 swarm size, formula 8A need at least 50 swarm size, formula 11A need at least 30 swarm size, and formula 15A need at least 180 swarm size. In 15A, increasing swarm size above 180 could not give any significant improvement for the average fitness value.

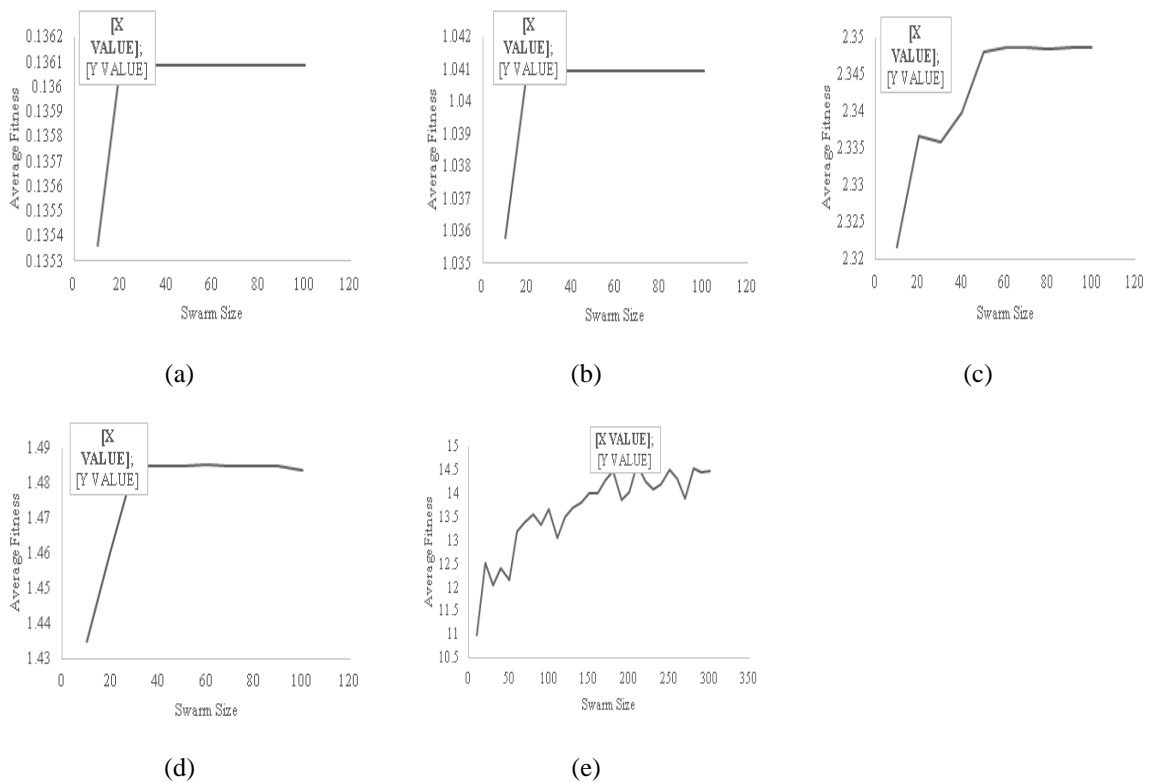


Figure 3. Effect of swarm size to average fitness on formula: (a) 5A, (b) 6A, (c) 8A, (d) 11A, and (e) 15A

Each minimum swarm size gives us insight that the number of feeds in each formula is not associated with the minimum swarm size. With 5 and 6 different feed combination, they require minimum 20 swarm size and the minimum value is increased with 8 different combinations that need at least 50 swarm size. However, when the number of feeds is increased to 11 different combinations, it requires less swarm size than 8A which at least 30 swarm size. Thus, the complexity of search space is not associated with the number of feeds

Then, It is very difficult to find minimum swarm size for every combination of feeds. Since the number of combination is very large and the cost of feed is fluctuating that increase the combination complexity through time (the cost always change). However, with a small sample of experimentation, we can choose the highest swarm size to be the good parameter. The highest swarm size can make particles converge on all formula. It is highly likely that this good parameter is not good for another formula outside of the sample. Therefore, we propose to add additional swarm size for the highest swarm size found in a small sample. In this case, the highest swarm size is 180, then the good swarm size would be $180 + X$ which X is the arbitrary number of swarm size that possibly can help particles converge in a better solution.

For the next experiment, we choose arbitrary value $X = 50$ and then the good swarm size = 230. The determination of this value is another problem that is not discussed in this paper.

3.2. Good number of iteration

For formula 5A and 6A, 1,000 iterations are adequate to make particle to converge as shown in Figure 4. By increasing the dimension, 8A require minimum iterations of 4,000, 11A require minimum iterations of 5,000, while 15A require minimum iterations of 14,000. Each formula shows different total iterations. With a small sample of 5 different formula, the highest number of iterations is found in formula 11A. If this value is used as a good number of iterations it can make particle converge in all sample formula. Thus, we propose an additional number of iterations in accounting feed combination outside of sample. The good number of iterations should be $14,000 + Y$ which Y is the arbitrary number of iterations.

For the experiment of acceleration coefficient, we choose arbitrary $Y = 5,000$, good number of iterations = 19,000. This determination is another problem that is not discussed in this paper.

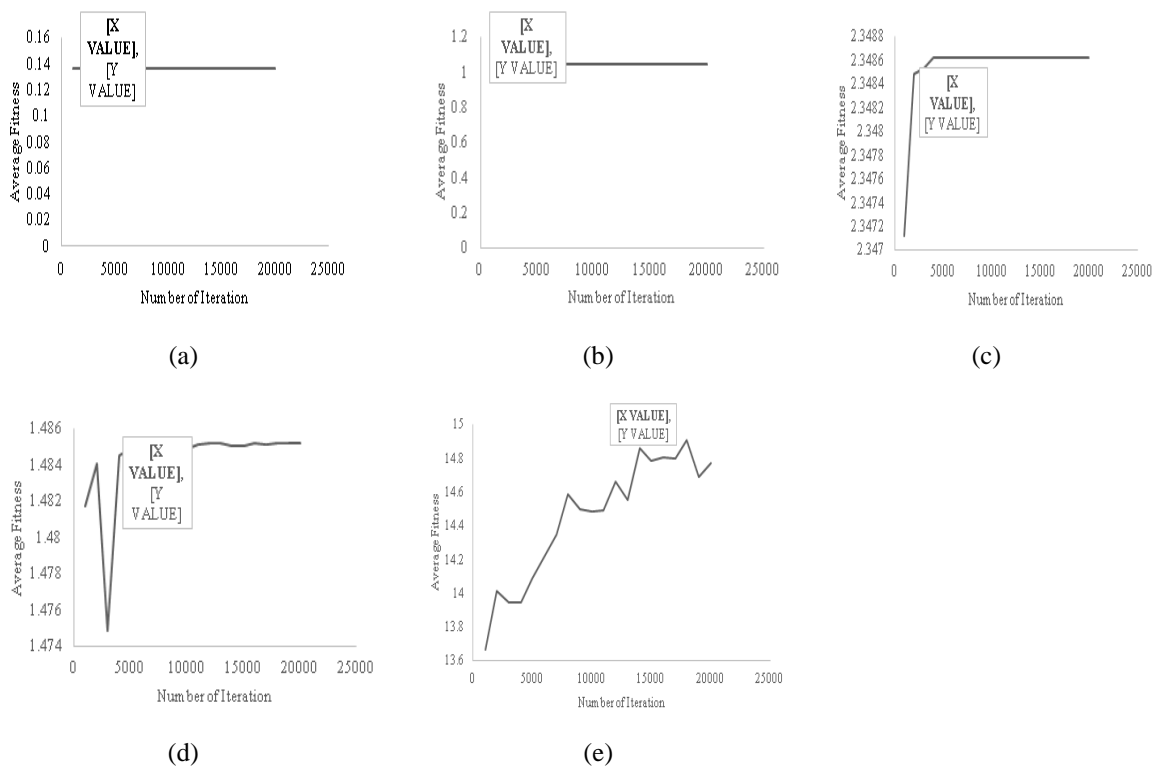


Figure 4. Effect of number of iterations to average fitness on formula: (a) 5A, (b) 6A, (c) 8A, (d) 11A, and (e) 15A

3.3. Good acceleration coefficients

The effect of acceleration coefficients to average fitness value is shown in Figure 5. The increase of social coefficient gives significant improvement to average fitness for all formulae. While using small social coefficient with high cognitive coefficient can't improve average fitness which leads to bad choices. The social coefficient above 1.0 with a small value of the cognitive coefficient is enough to produce optimum formula. However, with this small sample of experimentation, it is safe to choose a high value for both acceleration coefficient. Thus, in this study, we choose cognitive coefficient of 2.0 and social coefficient of 2.0.

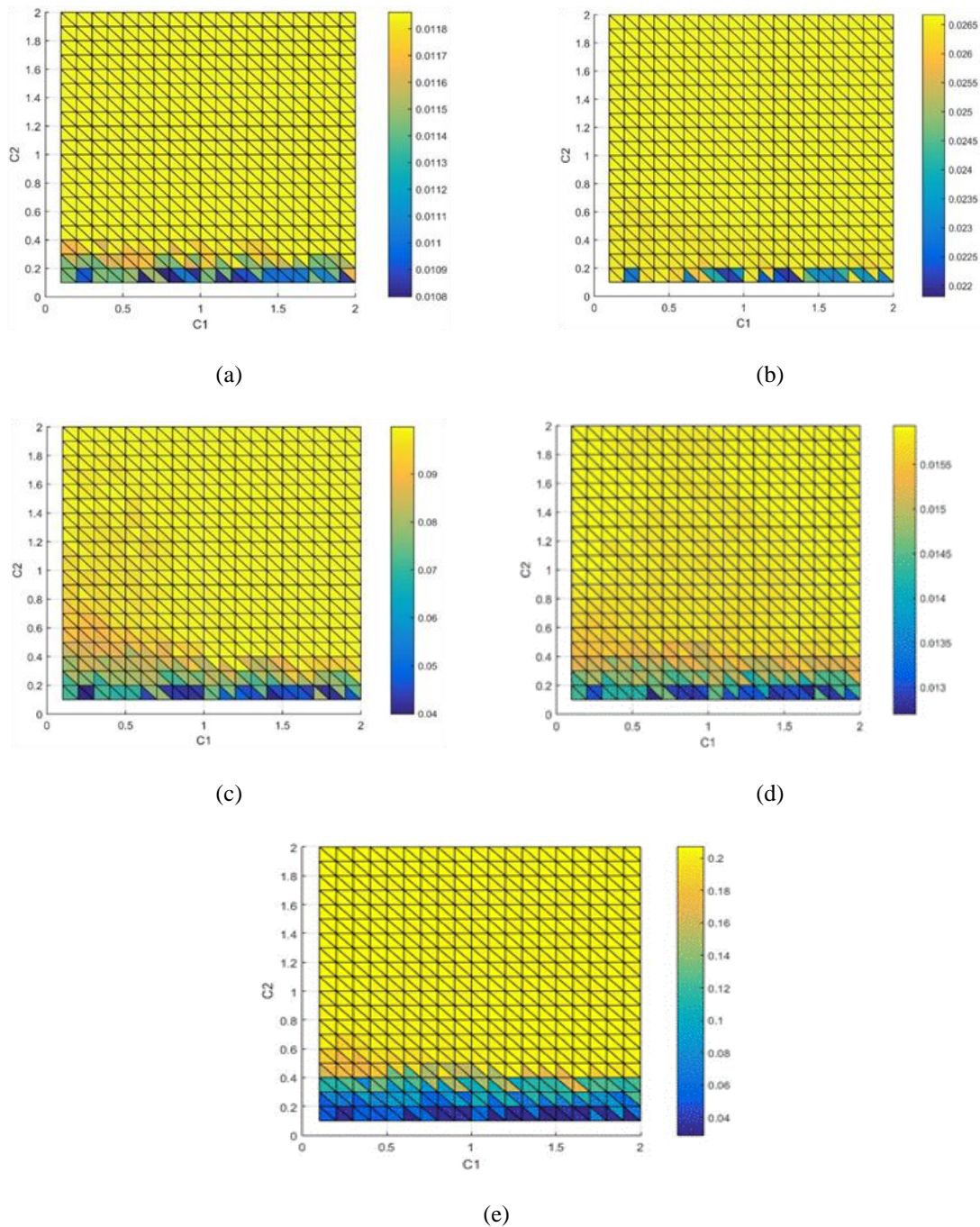


Figure 5. Effect of acceleration coefficients to average fitness on formula: (a) 5A, (b) 6A, (c) 8A, (d) 11A, and (e) 15A

3.4. Good inertia weight

The effect of inertia weight value to average fitness is shown in Figure 6. In all formula, except formula 8A, a high value of inertia weight decrease the average fitness. In formula 5A and 6A, inertia weight of 0.1 to 0.7 does not increase or decrease average fitness significantly and it is considered as a good parameter in 5A and 6A. While in 8A, inertia weight of 0.1 to 0.9 does not decrease the average fitness and considered as a safe value to choose as a good parameter. In 11A, inertia weight of 0.1 to 0.6 is a safe choice to choose. In formula 5A, 6A, 8A, and 11A, the increment of inertia weight in safe value does not improve significantly to average fitness. However, in 15A, average fitness gradually increased from 0.1 to 0.7 and decreased significantly above 0.7.

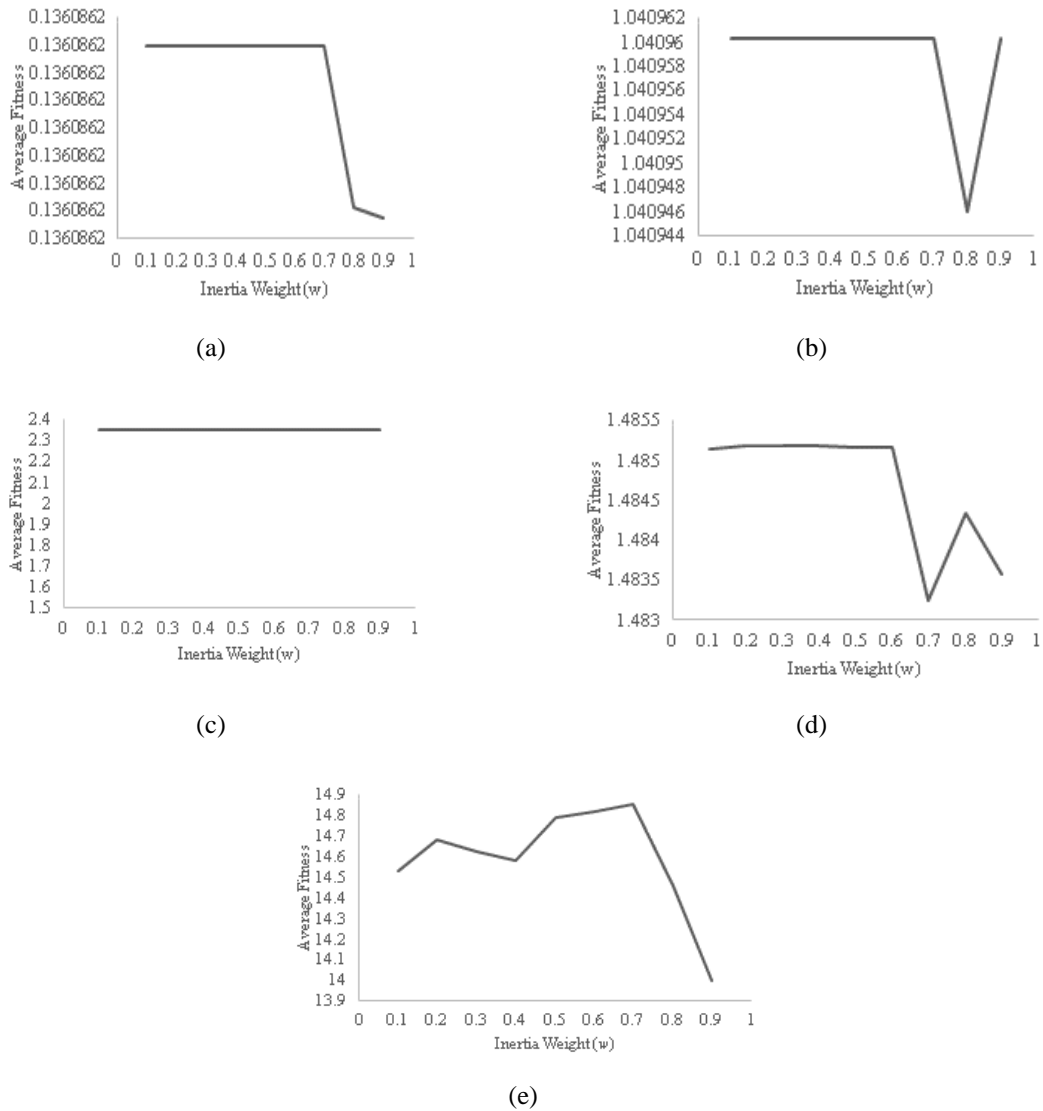


Figure 6. Effect of inertia weight to average fitness on formula: (a) 5A, (b) 6A, (c) 8A, (d) 11A, (e) and 15A

The simulation results show us that a good parameter of inertia weight differs from formula to another formula. The choice should be below 0.7 since it is the safe choice to choose that not decreasing the average fitness that found in formula 5A, 6A, 8A, and 15A. However, 0.7 is considered to be a bad choice because it will decrease the average fitness in formula 11A. With a small sample, the inertia weight in [0.5,0.6] should be chosen as a good choice parameter since it is safe to choose in the small sample of experimentation.

3.5. Comparison results

The good parameter choices of PSO which are swarm size = 230, iterations = 19,000, $c1 = 2,0$, $c2 = 2,0$, and $w = 0,6$ is compared to other PSO parameters. The comparison is simulated with the same swarm size and iterations in order to know how acceleration coefficients and inertia weight could affect the PSO performance and for a fair comparison. As shown in Table 5, all formulae produced by PSO-1 have the highest fitness value than PSO-2 and PSO-3. The inertia weight of PSO-2 and PSO-3 may reduce the average fitness since as found in inertia weight experimentation; the inertia weight above 0.7 could reduce the average fitness. However, PSO-3 is more stable than PSO-1 and PSO-2 as shown in the lowest standard deviation that found in 11A and 13A. The simulation results show us that good parameter choice could improve the fitness or solution quality rather than just pick some swarm size, a number of iteration, and control parameter recommendation. This parameter can be used as a reference for PSO to solve poultry diet formulation problem.

Table 5. The comparison results of PSO with good parameter (PSO-1), PSO with linear decreasing inertia weight (PSO-2), and PSO with proposed parameter [26] (PSO-3)

Formula	PSO-1		PSO-2		PSO-3	
	Average Fitness	Standard Deviation	Average Fitness	Standard Deviation	Average Fitness	Standard Deviation
11A	3.701377131	0.101223253	3.691529062	0.079904612	3.697482264	0.071724442
12A	7.287655999	0.063370121	7.2825648	0.054083732	7.285043867	0.088006539
13A	6.707823326	0.512793285	6.69813167	0.474649413	6.533627663	0.435799354

3.6. Formulation result

This section presents the formulation result after all good parameter were obtained. Ten different ingredients were selected and formulated by PSO in grower phase. The composition of each ingredient and the amount of each nutrient are shown in Table 6 and 7 respectively. In Table 6, not all ingredients are used which PSO can selectively determine precise composition. While in Table 7, all nutrient requirements are satisfied. This simulation shows that PSO as promising algorithm to solve feed formulation problem, particularly in laying hens.

Table 5. Ingredients Composition and Cost

Ingredient	Composition	Cost / Kg.
Corn Bran	24.166%	IDR 966.64
Wheat	0%	IDR 0
Menir	15.118%	IDR 907.08
Pollard	7.531%	IDR 173.213
Cotton Seed	4.553%	IDR 113.825
Soybean Meal	5.369%	IDR 161.07
Foka	42.428%	IDR 848.56
MBM	0.146%	IDR 7.3
Blood Flour	0.333%	IDR 16.65
Bone Flour	0.356%	IDR 21.36
TOTAL		IDR 3,215.698

Table 6. Nutrient Penalty

Nutrient	Amount	Requirement	Description
Met	0.3	Min. 0.30	Satisfied
P	0.46	Min. 0.46	Satisfied
Lys	0.7	Min. 0.70	Satisfied
CF	0.0	Max. 8.00	Satisfied
CP	15.5	Min. 15.50	Satisfied
Thre	0.5	Min. 0.50	Satisfied
Tryp	0.17	Min. 0.17	Satisfied
Ca	0.8	0.80 – 1.20	Satisfied
Met+Cys	0.6	Min. 0.60	Satisfied
Nutrient	Amount	Requirement	Description
F	3.0	Min. 3.00	Satisfied
EM	2,700	Min. 2,700	Satisfied

4. CONCLUSION

This study presents the selection of PSO parameters to produce a better solution of laying hen diet. According to the experimental results, the choices of feed ingredients need different minimum swarm size and different total iterations. It shows us that the search space formed by the choices of feed ingredients that have nutrient value and cost property. It is become a hard task to find minimum swarm size and iteration for each combination. However, with a small sample of experimentation, the minimum swarm size and iteration should be above 180 and 14,000 respectively. In the other hand, acceleration coefficients require a high value to produce an optimum and stable formula. The cognitive coefficient of 2,0 and the social coefficient of 2,0 became the good choice to choose since it is a safe parameter to produce a better formula. While high value of inertia weight would reduce the fitness. Thus, the constant inertia weight between 0,5 and 0,6 should be chosen as good parameters.

Since the best parameter is different for each formula, the adaptive technique for inertia weight or swarm size can be beneficial for PSO to produce a better solution. Furthermore, multi-swarm with different parameter also advantageous to handle different combination and to avoid local optima in the complex multi-modal problem.

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APPENDIX

Feed Ingredients:

Index	Ingredients	Price in Rupiah	ME	CP	Crude Fat	CF	Ca	P	Na	K	Cl
0	Bran	2500	1630	8	8	12	0.12	0.21	0.07	1.7	0.07
1	Corn Bran	4000	2950	10.6	6	5	0.04	0.15	0.06	1.2	0.07
2	Wheat	20000	2980	10.7	2.1	2.1	0.05	0	0	0	0
3	Yellow Corn	5000	3370	8.54	2.61	4.76	0.02	0.1	0.02	0.28	0.04
4	Menir	6000	3390	8.9	4	3	0.03	0.4	0	0	0
5	Pollard	2300	1300	15	4	10	0.14	0.32	1.2	1.1	0.09
6	Sorghum	6000	3250	10	2.8	2	0.03	0.1	0.01	0.35	0.08
7	Cotton Seed Meal	2500	2100	41	4.8	12	0.18	0.33	0.03	1.2	0.05
8	Rubber Seed Meal	4500	2159	24.2	3.45	9.8	0.11	0	0	0	0
9	Soybean Meal	3000	2240	42	0.9	6	0.29	0.65	0.03	1.2	0.03
10	Coconut Meal	3500	2200	18.5	2.5	15	0.2	0.57	0.04	1.1	0.03
11	Peanut Meal	3000	2200	42	1.9	17	0.2	0.2	0.07	1.2	0.03
12	Foka	2000	2700	14	1.8	10.1	2.25	1	0.1	1.1	0.07
13	Hidrolisis I. Rumen	2500	2000	16.2	2.3	25.4	0.38	0.55	0	0	0
14	MBM	5000	2190	52	10	2.8	10	5.1	0.7	1.45	0.69
15	Skim Milk	30000	2510	33	0.9	0.2	1.3	1	0.5	1.5	0.9

Index	Ingredients	Price in Rupiah	ME	CP	Crude Fat	CF	Ca	P	Na	K	Cl
16	Fish Flour (Ancovetta)	7500	2830	65	4	1	4	2.6	0.8	0.7	0.3
17	Fish Flour (Herring)	8000	2640	72	10	1	2	1.5	0.5	1.1	1
18	Fish Flour (Menhaden)	8500	2650	54	9	1	5.5	2.8	0.3	0.7	1.2
19	Snail Flour	6500	4906	61	6.1	4.5	2	0	0	0	0
20	Quill Flour	5000	2310	85	2.5	1.5	0.32	0.32	0	0	0
21	Meat Flour	5000	2957	57	12	0	5.96	0	0	0	0
22	Blood Flour	5000	2750	85	1.1	1	0.15	0.32	0.32	0.09	0.27
23	Lamtoro Flour	4500	828	18.9	5.9	16.3	0.05	0	0	0	0
24	Chalk	1100	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	0
25	Clamshell	6000	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	0
26	Bone Flour	6000	818	12	3	2.3	26	13.5	0	0	0
27	Fish Oil	150000	8450	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Coconut Oil	11500	8600	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	Plant Oil	12000	8950	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Cassava Flour	2400	2970	1.5	0.7	0.9	0.18	0.09	0.06	0.01	0.07

Index	Ingredients	Mn	Zn	Arg	Cys	Gly	His	Isol	Leu	Lis	Met
0	Bran	200	30	1.4	0.4	0.8	0.56	0.61	1.2	0.77	0.29
1	Corn Bran	115	80	0.8	0.2	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.17
2	Wheat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.31
3	Yellow Corn	5	10	0.5	0.18	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.18
4	Menir	0	0	0.36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.27
5	Pollard	18	15	0.7	0.1	0.8	0.18	0.38	0.6	0.3	0.17
6	Sorghum	13	17	0.36	0.15	0.4	0.19	0.46	1.4	0.2	0.13
7	Cotton Seed Meal	23	0	4.4	1	2.4	1.1	1.6	2.4	1.6	0.6
8	Rubber Seed Meal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Soybean Meal	35	27	3.2	0.67	2.1	1.1	2.5	3.4	2.9	0.65
10	Coconut Meal	55	100	2.7	0.3	1	0.56	0.66	1.49	0.64	0.29
11	Peanut Meal	29	20	5.2	0.8	2.6	1.1	2.2	3.2	1.8	0.5
12	Foka	0	0	0.013	0.37	0.2	0.52	0.56	1.4	0.71	0.27
13	Hidrolisis I. Rumen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	MBM	14	93	3.28	0.69	6.65	0.96	1.54	3.28	2.61	0.69
15	Skim Milk	2	40	1.1	0.42	0.7	0.84	2.1	3.3	2.3	1
16	Fish Flour (Ancovetta)	22	110	3.4	1	4.6	1.5	3.6	5	5.2	1.8
17	Fish Flour (Herring)	10		6.8	1.2	5.9	1.6	3.7	5.19	6.4	2
18	Fish Flour (Menhaden)	36	150	3.8	0.94	4.4	1.4	3.6	5	4	1.3
19	Snail Flour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.35
20	Quill Flour	0	0	5.6	3	0	0	0	0	1.5	0.5
21	Meat Flour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3.31
22	Blood Flour	5	0	3.5	1.4	3.4	4.2	1	10.2	6.9	6.9
23	Lamtoro Flour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.55
24	Chalk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Clamshell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Bone Flour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.27
27	Fish Oil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Index	Ingredients	Mn	Zn	Arg	Cys	Gly	His	Isol	Leu	Lis	Met
28	Coconut Oil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	Plant Oil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Cassava Flour	115	90	0.04	0.1	0.1	0.15	0.3	0.45	0.03	0.09
