



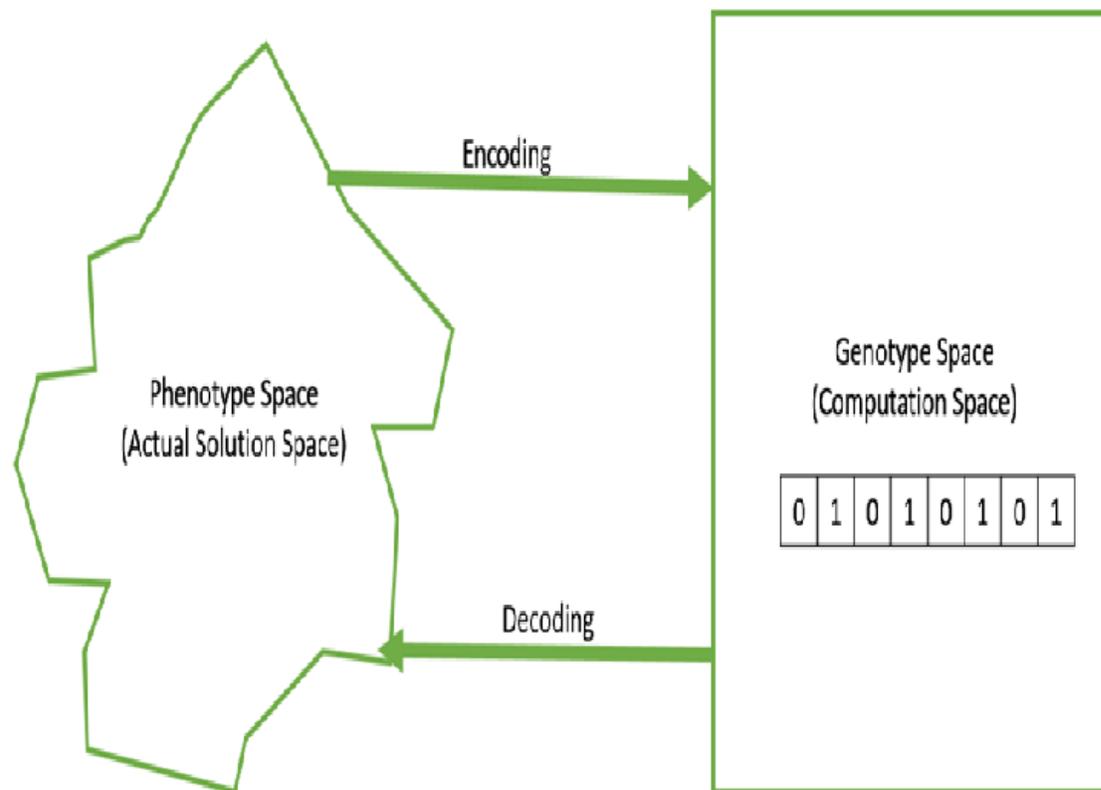
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# More Evolutionary Computation

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# Genetic Algorithms (GAs)



# Evolutionary Computation through GAs

## Genetic Algorithm

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Objective function  $f(x)$ ,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d)^T$

Encode the solutions into chromosomes (strings)

Define fitness  $F$  (eg,  $F \propto f(x)$  for maximization)

Generate the initial population

Initialize the probabilities of crossover ( $p_c$ ) and mutation ( $p_m$ )

while (  $t < \text{Max number of generations}$  )

    Generate new solution by crossover and mutation

    Crossover with a crossover probability  $p_c$

    Mutate with a mutation probability  $p_m$

    Accept the new solutions if their fitness increase

    Select the current best for the next generation (elitism)

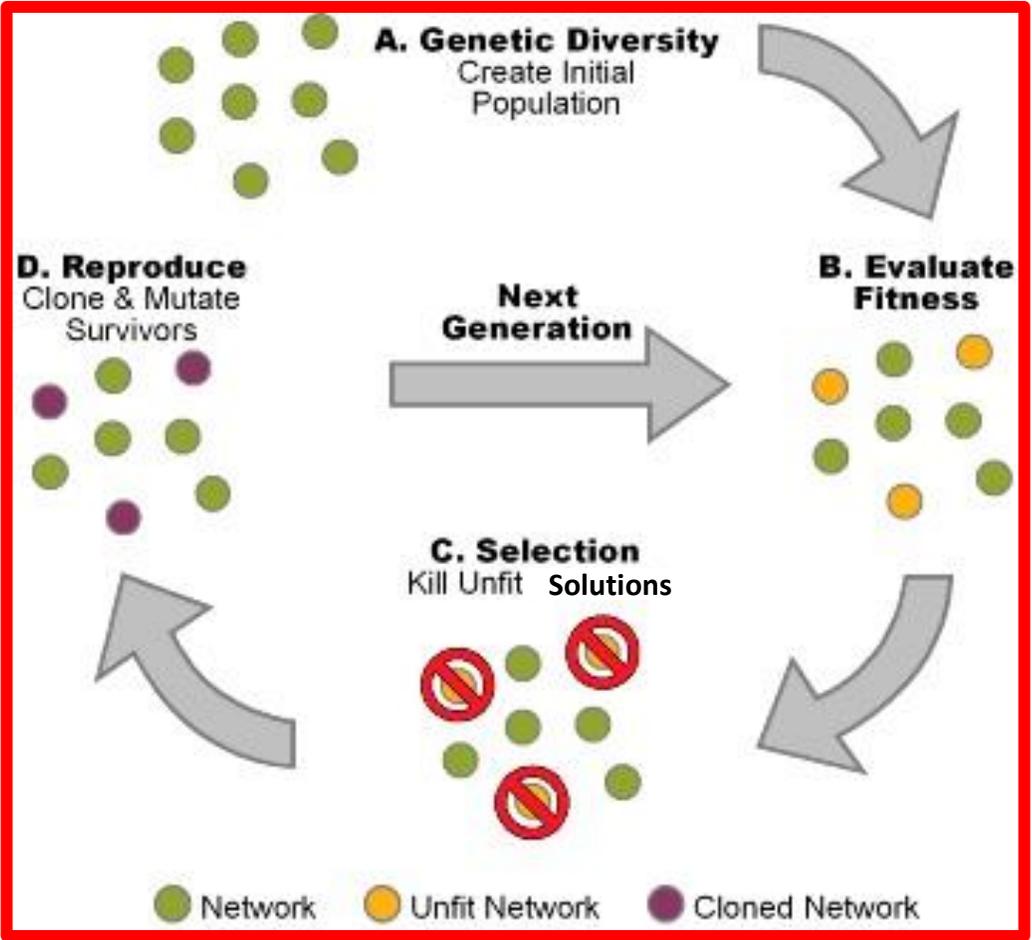
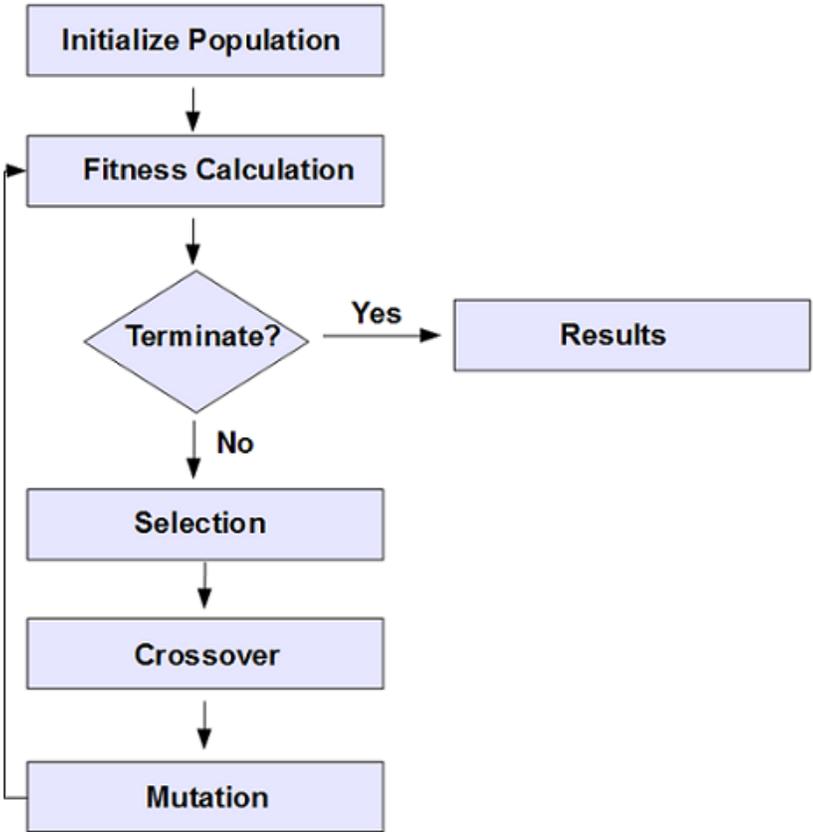
    Update  $t = t + 1$

end while

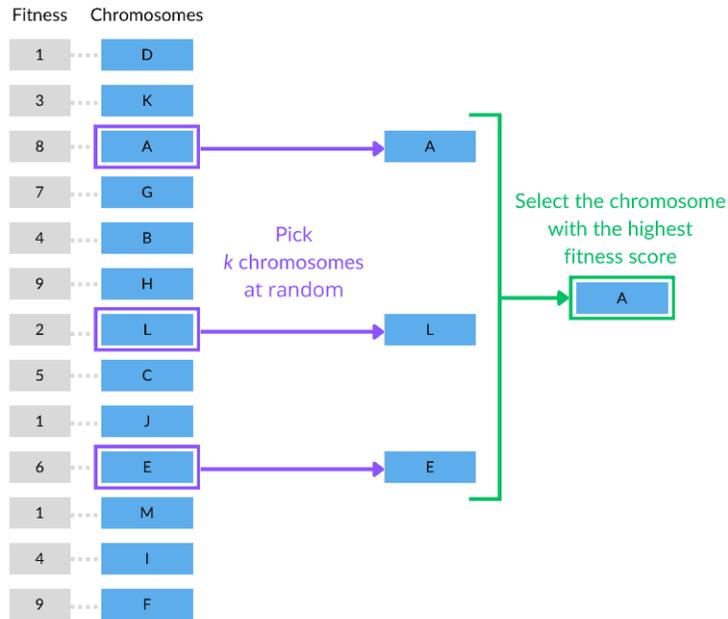
Decode the results and visualization

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# Genetic Algorithm (Process Flow)



# Tournament Selection



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/* Select the fittest individual (or chromosome) from a randomly selected list of individuals T */
algorithm Tournament(T, k):
  // INPUT
  // T = a list of individuals randomly selected from a population.
  // k = the tournament size. In other words, the number of elements in T.
  // OUTPUT
  // the fittest individual.
  Best ← T[1];
  for i from 2 to k do
    Next ← T[i];
    if Fitness(Next) > Fitness(Best) then
      Best ← Next;
  return Best;
  
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/* Assume we wish to select n individuals from the population P */
algorithm TournamentSelection(P, k, n):
  // INPUT
  // P = the population.
  // k = the tournament size, such that 1 ≤ k ≤ the number of individuals in P.
  // n = the total number of individuals we wish to select.
  // OUTPUT
  // the pool of individuals selected in the tournaments.
  T ← an empty sequence;
  B ← an empty sequence;
  for i from 1 to n do
    Pick k individuals from P at random, with or without replacement, and add them to T;
    B[i] ← Tournament(T, k);
    T ← [ ]
  return B;
  
```

**Procedure** Memetic Algorithm Based on an EA

*Initialization:*  $t = 0$ ; // Initialization of the generation counter

Randomly generate an initial population  $P(t)$ ;

Compute the fitness  $f(p) \forall p \in P(t)$ ;

**while** Stopping conditions are not satisfied **do**

*Selection:* Accordingly to  $f(p)$  choose a subset of  $P(t)$  and store it in  $M(t)$ ;

*Offspring:* Recombine and mutate individuals  $p \in M(t)$  and store them in  $M'(t)$ ;

*Learning:* Improve  $p'$  by local search or heuristic  $\forall p' \in M'(t)$ ;

*Evaluation:* Compute the fitness  $f(p') \forall p' \in M'(t)$ ;

**if** Lamarckian learning **then**

Update chromosome of  $p'$  according to improvement  $\forall p' \in M'(t)$ ;

**fi**

*New generation:* Generate  $P(t+1)$  by selecting some individuals from  $P(t)$  and  $M'(t)$ ;

$t = t + 1$ ; // Increment the generation counter

**end while**

*Return* best individual  $p \in P(t-1)$  as result;

**Else, employ  
Baldwinian  
learning**

# Genetic Algorithms: Race Car Evolution

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aut32pR5PQA>

Questions?

