Differential Evolution

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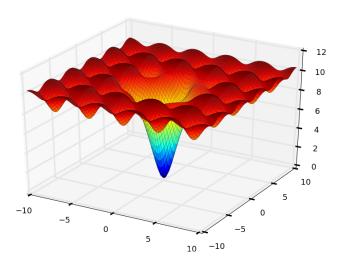
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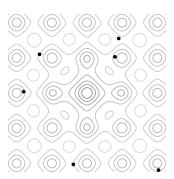
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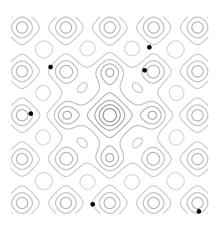
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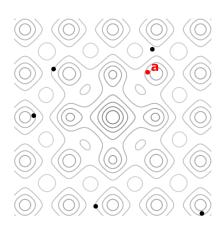
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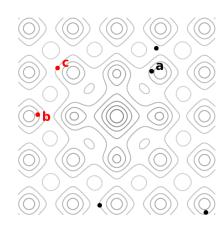


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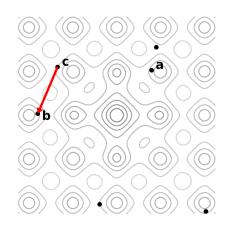
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random selection, $x \neq b \neq a, x \neq c \neq a$



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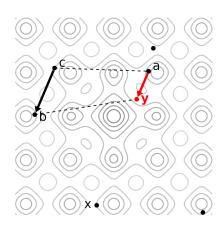
Generate a donor vector y for each target by differential mutation:

- Select base vector a
- ► Select two other vectors *b*, *c*
- ightharpoonup Compute difference b-c
- Scale difference and add to base

$$y = a + F(b - c)$$

Example

F = 0.5, but could be anything > 0



Binomial Crossover

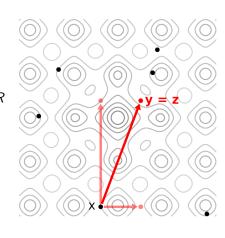
Generate *trial* vector *z* for each donor *y* target *x*:

- ▶ Pick random $r \in [1..d]$
- Combine target x with donor y:

$$z_i = egin{cases} y_i & ext{if } r \sim \mathcal{U}(0,1) \leq \mathit{CR} \ y_i & ext{else if } i = r \ x_i & ext{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Example

Crossover-rate CR = 1, other possibilites transparent



Binomial Crossover

Evaluate objective function for each target and trial:

- ightharpoonup Compare f(x) with f(z)
- Winner becomes member of next population

