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How do Simple Genetic Algorithms (**SGA**)
work?



Components of a Genetic algorithm

1. A **genetic representation** for potential solutions to the problem
基因表現 潛在的
2. A way to create an **initial population** of potential solutions
3. An **evaluation function** that plays the role of the environment, rating solutions in terms of “**fitness**”
4. **Genetic operators** that alter the composition of children
改變 組成
5. Values for various **parameters** that the genetic algorithms uses (population size, probabilities of applying genetic operators)



Optimization problem:

- Objective function (cost function, fitness function)
- Without loss of generality, we assume **maximization problems** only.
- Maximization (default) vs minimization

$$\min f(x) = \max g(x) = \max\{-f(x)\}.$$

- Fitness (take positive values)

$$\max g(x) = \max\{g(x) + \underline{\underline{C}}\}.$$

↳ move all the value
upper zero.

Formulation:

Now suppose we wish to maximize a function of k variables, $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) : R^k \rightarrow R$. Suppose further that each variable x_i can take values from a domain $D_i = [a_i, b_i] \subseteq R$ and $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) > 0$ for all $x_i \in D_i$. We wish to optimize the function f with some required precision: suppose six decimal places for the variables' values is desirable.

精度六位

小數點後6位



procedure evolution program

begin

執行

$t \leftarrow 0$

initialize $P(t)$

evaluate $P(t)$ \rightarrow 對 $P(t)$ 評估

while (not termination-condition) do

begin

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

select $P(t)$ from $P(t - 1)$

Change \swarrow
alter $P(t)$

evaluate $P(t)$

end

end

Fig. 0.1. The structure of an evolution program



Genetic representation

- Coding and decoding
- **Binary string** of length m_i
 - Ex: 6 decimal places
 - Choose a smallest integer such that

\rightarrow upper bound

$$(b_i - a_i) \cdot 10^6 \leq 2^{m_i} - 1.$$

\rightarrow lower bound

$$\star x_i = a_i + decimal(1001...001_2) \cdot \frac{b_i - a_i}{2^{m_i} - 1}$$

- Chromosome (染色體) is represented by a binary string of length: $m = \sum_{i=1}^k m_i$

m1	m2	m3
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Initial population of potential solutions

- Randomly generated
- Knowledge of potential optima (problem specific knowledge) for incorporation into the initial population

合併



Selection process (roulette wheel)



Scaling mechanism:

- Calculate the fitness value $eval(v_i)$ for each chromosome v_i ($i = 1, \dots, pop_size$).
- Find the total fitness of the population

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^{pop_size} eval(v_i).$$

- Calculate the probability of a selection p_i for each chromosome v_i ($i = 1, \dots, pop_size$):

$$p_i = eval(v_i) / F.$$

- Calculate a cumulative probability q_i for each chromosome v_i ($i = 1, \dots, pop_size$): 累計の

$$q_i = \sum_{j=1}^i p_j.$$



Selection process:

- Generate a random (float) number r from the range $[0..1]$.
 - If $r < q_1$ then select the first chromosome (v_1); otherwise select the i -th chromosome v_i ($2 \leq i \leq pop_size$) such that $q_{i-1} < r \leq q_i$.
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- Schema theorem:

Some chromosomes would be selected more than once:
best chromosomes get more copies, the average stay even, the worst die off.

- What is wrong with that???



Variation operators:

- **Recombination (Crossover)**
- **Mutation**

Recombination (Crossover) operator:

- Probability of crossover: p_c
- No of chromosomes which undergo crossover operation: $p_c \cdot pop_size$
 - Generate a random (float) number r from the range $[0..1]$;
 - If $r < p_c$, select given chromosome for crossover.

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 b_2 \dots b_{pos} & b_{pos+1} \dots b_m \\ c_1 c_2 \dots c_{pos} & c_{pos+1} \dots c_m \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} b_1 b_2 \dots b_{pos} & c_{pos+1} \dots c_m \\ c_1 c_2 \dots c_{pos} & b_{pos+1} \dots b_m \end{pmatrix}$$



Mutation operator

- Probability of mutation: p_m
- No of mutated bits: $p_m \cdot m \cdot pop_size$.
- Generate a random (float) number r from the range $[0..1]$;
- If $r < p_m$, mutate the bit.



Selection → crossover → mutation



Illustrated example:

$$\text{max } f(x_1, x_2) = 21.5 + x_1 \cdot \sin(4\pi x_1) + x_2 \cdot \sin(20\pi x_2)$$

$$\text{where } \overset{a_1}{-3.0} \leq x_1 \leq \overset{b_1}{12.1} \text{ and } \overset{a_2}{4.1} \leq x_2 \leq \overset{b_2}{5.8}.$$

GA parameters:

pop_size=20 (樣本數)

pc=0.25

pm=0.01

4 decimal places
(precision) → 取小數點後四位

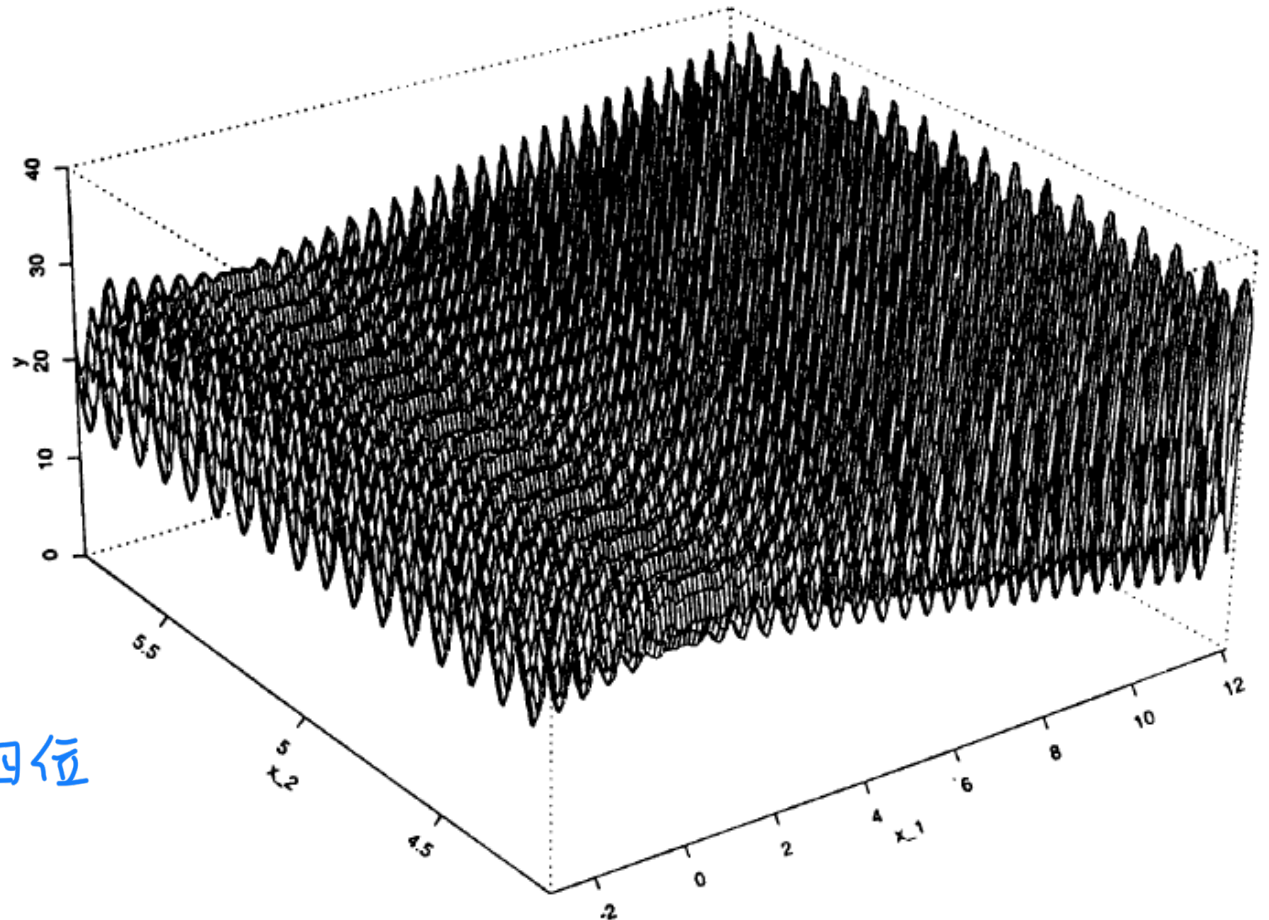


Fig. 2.1. Graph of the function $f(x_1, x_2) = 21.5 + x_1 \cdot \sin(4\pi x_1) + x_2 \cdot \sin(20\pi x_2)$



Representation: bit length

$$x_1: 2^{17} < 151000 \leq 2^{18}. \rightarrow \text{需要 18 个 bits}$$

$$\longrightarrow m = 18 + 15 = 33$$

$$x_2: 2^{14} < 17000 \leq 2^{15}. \rightarrow \text{需要 15 个 bits}$$

Example: $(\overset{x_1}{010001001011010000} \mid \overset{x_2}{111110010100010})$.

$$x_1 = \overset{a_1}{-3.0} + \text{decimal}(010001001011010000_2) \cdot \frac{\overset{b_1 - a_1}{12.1 - (-3.0)}}{2^{18} - 1} = 1.052426.$$

$$x_2 = \overset{a_2}{4.1} + \text{decimal}(111110010100010_2) \cdot \frac{\overset{b_2 - a_2}{5.8 - 4.1}}{2^{15} - 1} = 5.755330.$$

$$\langle x_1, x_2 \rangle = \langle 1.052426, 5.755330 \rangle$$

$$\rightarrow f(1.052426, 5.755330) = 20.252640.$$

$$f(x_1, x_2) = 21.5 + x_1 \cdot \sin(4\pi x_1) + x_2 \cdot \sin(20\pi x_2)$$



Initialization:

$v_1 = (100110100000001111111010011011111)$
 $v_2 = (111000100100110111001010100011010)$
 $v_3 = (000010000011001000001010111011101)$
 $v_4 = (100011000101101001111000001110010)$
 $v_5 = (000111011001010011010111111000101)$
 $v_6 = (000101000010010101001010111111011)$
 $v_7 = (001000100000110101111011011111011)$
 $v_8 = (100001100001110100010110101100111)$
 $v_9 = (010000000101100010110000001111100)$
 $v_{10} = (000001111000110000011010000111011)$
 $v_{11} = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v_{12} = (110100010111101101000101010000000)$
 $v_{13} = (111011111010001000110000001000110)$
 $v_{14} = (010010011000001010100111100101001)$
 $v_{15} = (111011101101110000100011111011110)$
 $v_{16} = (110011110000011111100001101001011)$
 $v_{17} = (011010111111001111010001101111101)$
 $v_{18} = (011101000000001110100111110101101)$
 $v_{19} = (000101010011111111110000110001100)$
 $v_{20} = (101110010110011110011000101111110)$



Evaluation:

- Decode
- Calculate fitness values

minimized →

$$\begin{aligned} eval(v_1) &= f(6.084492, 5.652242) = 26.019600 \\ eval(v_2) &= f(10.348434, 4.380264) = 7.580015 \\ eval(v_3) &= f(-2.516603, 4.390381) = 19.526329 \\ eval(v_4) &= f(5.278638, 5.593460) = 17.406725 \\ eval(v_5) &= f(-1.255173, 4.734458) = 25.341160 \\ eval(v_6) &= f(-1.811725, 4.391937) = 18.100417 \\ eval(v_7) &= f(-0.991471, 5.680258) = 16.020812 \\ eval(v_8) &= f(4.910618, 4.703018) = 17.959701 \\ eval(v_9) &= f(0.795406, 5.381472) = 16.127799 \\ eval(v_{10}) &= f(-2.554851, 4.793707) = 21.278435 \\ eval(v_{11}) &= f(3.130078, 4.996097) = 23.410669 \\ eval(v_{12}) &= f(9.356179, 4.239457) = 15.011619 \\ eval(v_{13}) &= f(11.134646, 5.378671) = 27.316702 \\ eval(v_{14}) &= f(1.335944, 5.151378) = 19.876294 \\ eval(v_{15}) &= f(11.089025, 5.054515) = 30.060205 \\ eval(v_{16}) &= f(9.211598, 4.993762) = 23.867227 \\ eval(v_{17}) &= f(3.367514, 4.571343) = 13.696165 \\ eval(v_{18}) &= f(3.843020, 5.158226) = 15.414128 \\ eval(v_{19}) &= f(-1.746635, 5.395584) = 20.095903 \\ eval(v_{20}) &= f(7.935998, 4.757338) = 13.666916 \end{aligned}$$

maximized →

$$\rightarrow F = \sum_{i=1}^{20} eval(v_i) = 387.776822.$$



- The probability of a selection p_i for each chromosome v_i

$p_1 = eval(v_1)/F = 0.067099$	$p_2 = eval(v_2)/F = 0.019547$
$p_3 = eval(v_3)/F = 0.050355$	$p_4 = eval(v_4)/F = 0.044889$
$p_5 = eval(v_5)/F = 0.065350$	$p_6 = eval(v_6)/F = 0.046677$
$p_7 = eval(v_7)/F = 0.041315$	$p_8 = eval(v_8)/F = 0.046315$
$p_9 = eval(v_9)/F = 0.041590$	$p_{10} = eval(v_{10})/F = 0.054873$
$p_{11} = eval(v_{11})/F = 0.060372$	$p_{12} = eval(v_{12})/F = 0.038712$
$p_{13} = eval(v_{13})/F = 0.070444$	$p_{14} = eval(v_{14})/F = 0.051257$
$p_{15} = eval(v_{15})/F = 0.077519$	$p_{16} = eval(v_{16})/F = 0.061549$
$p_{17} = eval(v_{17})/F = 0.035320$	$p_{18} = eval(v_{18})/F = 0.039750$
$p_{19} = eval(v_{19})/F = 0.051823$	$p_{20} = eval(v_{20})/F = 0.035244$

- Cumulative probabilities q_i for each chromosome v_i

$q_1 = p_1 = 0.067099$	$q_2 = p_1 + p_2 = 0.086647$	$q_3 = p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 0.137001$	$q_4 = p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 = 0.181890$
$q_5 = 0.247240$	$q_6 = 0.293917$	$q_7 = 0.335232$	$q_8 = 0.381546$
$q_9 = 0.423137$	$q_{10} = 0.478009$	$q_{11} = 0.538381$	$q_{12} = 0.577093$
$q_{13} = 0.647537$	$q_{14} = 0.698794$	$q_{15} = 0.776314$	$q_{16} = 0.837863$
$q_{17} = 0.873182$	$q_{18} = 0.912932$	$q_{19} = 0.964756$	$q_{20} = 1.000000$



- Spin the roulette wheel 20 times

0.513870	0.175741	0.308652	0.534534	0.947628
0.171736	0.702231	0.226431	0.494773	0.424720
0.703899	0.389647	0.277226	0.368071	0.983437
0.005398	0.765682	0.646473	0.767139	0.780237

$$q_{10} < 0.513870 < q_{11}$$

→ v_{11}

⇒ Selection Process



New population:

$$v'_1 = (011001111110110101100001101111000) (v_{11})$$

$$v'_2 = (100011000101101001111000001110010) (v_4)$$

$$v'_3 = (00100010000011010111101101111011) (v_7)$$

$$v'_4 = (011001111110110101100001101111000) (v_{11})$$

$$v'_5 = (000101010011111111110000110001100) (v_{19})$$

$$v'_6 = (100011000101101001111000001110010) (v_4)$$

$$v'_7 = (111011101101110000100011111011110) (v_{15}) *$$

$$v'_8 = (00011101100101001101011111000101) (v_5)$$

$$v'_9 = (011001111110110101100001101111000) (v_{11})$$

$$v'_{10} = (000010000011001000001010111011101) (v_3)$$

$$v'_{11} = (111011101101110000100011111011110) (v_{15}) *$$

$$v'_{12} = (010000000101100010110000001111100) (v_9)$$

$$v'_{13} = (000101000010010101001010111111011) (v_6)$$

$$v'_{14} = (100001100001110100010110101100111) (v_8)$$

$$v'_{15} = (101110010110011110011000101111110) (v_{20})$$

$$v'_{16} = (100110100000001111111010011011111) (v_1)$$

$$v'_{17} = (000001111000110000011010000111011) (v_{10})$$

$$v'_{18} = (111011111010001000110000001000110) (v_{13})$$

$$v'_{19} = (111011101101110000100011111011110) (v_{15}) *$$

$$v'_{20} = (110011110000011111100001101001011) (v_{16})$$

V_{15} breeds!

V_2 dies out!



Crossover (pc=0.25)

0.822951	0.151932	0.625477	0.314685	0.346901
0.917204	0.519760	0.401154	0.606758	0.785402
0.031523	0.869921	0.166525	0.674520	0.758400
0.581893	0.389248	0.200232	0.355635	0.826927

$$v'_2 = (100011000|101101001111000001110010)$$

$$v'_{11} = (111011101|10111000010001111011110) \quad \text{cross over}$$

pos=9

$$v''_2 = (100011000|10111000010001111011110)$$

$$v''_{11} = (111011101|101101001111000001110010).$$

$$v'_{13} = (00010100001001010100|1010111111011)$$

$$v'_{18} = (11101111101000100011|0000001000110)$$

pos=20

$$v''_{13} = (00010100001001010100|0000001000110)$$

$$v''_{18} = (11101111101000100011|1010111111011).$$



Current population:

$v'_1 = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v''_2 = (100011000101110000100011111011110)$
 $v'_3 = (0010001000001101011111011011111011)$
 $v'_4 = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v'_5 = (000101010011111111110000110001100)$
 $v'_6 = (100011000101101001111000001110010)$
 $v'_7 = (111011101101110000100011111011110)$
 $v'_8 = (000111011001010011010111111000101)$
 $v'_9 = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v'_{10} = (000010000011001000001010111011101)$
 $v''_{11} = (111011101101101001111000001110010)$
 $v'_{12} = (010000000101100010110000001111100)$
 $v'_{13} = (000101000010010101000000001000110)$
 $v'_{14} = (100001100001110100010110101100111)$
 $v'_{15} = (101110010110011110011000101111110)$
 $v'_{16} = (100110100000001111111010011011111)$
 $v'_{17} = (000001111000110000011010000111011)$
 $v''_{18} = (111011111010001000111010111111011)$
 $v'_{19} = (111011101101110000100011111011110)$
 $v'_{20} = (110011110000011111100001101001011)$



Mutation ($p_m=0.01$)

Bit position	Random number
112	0.000213
349	0.009945
418	0.008809
429	0.005425
602	0.002836

Bit position	Chromosome number	Bit number within chromosome
112	4	13
349	11	19
418	13	22
429	13	33
602	19	8



Current population:

$v_1 = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v_2 = (100011000101110000100011111011110)$
 $v_3 = (00100010000011010111101101111011)$
 $v_4 = (011001111110\boxed{0}10101100001101111000)$
 $v_5 = (000101010011111111110000110001100)$
 $v_6 = (100011000101101001111000001110010)$
 $v_7 = (111011101101110000100011111011110)$
 $v_8 = (000111011001010011010111111000101)$
 $v_9 = (011001111110110101100001101111000)$
 $v_{10} = (000010000011001000001010111011101)$
 $v_{11} = (111011101101101001\boxed{0}11000001110010)$
 $v_{12} = (010000000101100010110000001111100)$
 $v_{13} = (000101000010010101000\boxed{1}000010001\boxed{1})$
 $v_{14} = (100001100001110100010110101100111)$
 $v_{15} = (101110010110011110011000101111110)$
 $v_{16} = (100110100000001111111010011011111)$
 $v_{17} = (000001111000110000011010000111011)$
 $v_{18} = (111011111010001000111010111111011)$
 $v_{19} = (11101110\boxed{0}101110000100011111011110)$
 $v_{20} = (110011110000011111100001101001011)$

mutation \Rightarrow $0 \rightarrow 1$
 $1 \rightarrow 0$



Evaluation:

If there is a super gene !?

ex: $eval(v_{15}) = f(\quad) = 10000$



\Rightarrow all the result will be v_{15}
Vetke will be dies out.

$eval(v_1) = f(3.130078, 4.996097) = 23.410669$
 $eval(v_2) = f(5.279042, 5.054515) = 18.201083$
 $eval(v_3) = f(-0.991471, 5.680258) = 16.020812$
 $eval(v_4) = f(3.128235, 4.996097) = 23.412613$
 $eval(v_5) = f(-1.746635, 5.395584) = 20.095903$
 $eval(v_6) = f(5.278638, 5.593460) = 17.406725$
 $eval(v_7) = f(11.089025, 5.054515) = 30.060205$
 $eval(v_8) = f(-1.255173, 4.734458) = 25.341160$
 $eval(v_9) = f(3.130078, 4.996097) = 23.410669$
 $eval(v_{10}) = f(-2.516603, 4.390381) = 19.526329$
 $eval(v_{11}) = f(11.088621, 4.743434) = 33.351874$
 $eval(v_{12}) = f(0.795406, 5.381472) = 16.127799$
 $eval(v_{13}) = f(-1.811725, 4.209937) = 22.692462$
 $eval(v_{14}) = f(4.910618, 4.703018) = 17.959701$
 $eval(v_{15}) = f(7.935998, 4.757338) = 13.666916$
 $eval(v_{16}) = f(6.084492, 5.652242) = 26.019600$
 $eval(v_{17}) = f(-2.554851, 4.793707) = 21.278435$
 $eval(v_{18}) = f(11.134646, 5.666976) = 27.591064$
 $eval(v_{19}) = f(11.059532, 5.054515) = 27.608441$
 $eval(v_{20}) = f(9.211598, 4.993762) = 23.867227$

\rightarrow Total fitness=447.049688 (vs 387.77)



Evolution of 1000 generations

$v_1 = (111011110110011011100101010111011)$	$eval(v_1) = f(11.120940, 5.092514) = 30.298543$
$v_2 = (111001100110000100010101010111000)$	$eval(v_2) = f(10.588756, 4.667358) = 26.869724$
$v_3 = (111011110111011011100101010111011)$	$eval(v_3) = f(11.124627, 5.092514) = 30.316575$
$v_4 = (111001100010000110000101010111001)$	$eval(v_4) = f(10.574125, 4.242410) = 31.933120$
$v_5 = (111011110111011011100101010111011)$	$eval(v_5) = f(11.124627, 5.092514) = 30.316575$
$v_6 = (111001100110000100000100010100001)$	$eval(v_6) = f(10.588756, 4.214603) = 34.356125$
$v_7 = (110101100010010010001100010110000)$	$eval(v_7) = f(9.631066, 4.427881) = 35.458636$
$v_8 = (111101100010001010001101010010001)$	$eval(v_8) = f(11.518106, 4.452835) = 23.309078$
$v_9 = (111001100010010010001100010110001)$	$eval(v_9) = f(10.574816, 4.427933) = 34.393820$
$v_{10} = (111011110111011011100101010111011)$	$eval(v_{10}) = f(11.124627, 5.092514) = 30.316575$
$v_{11} = (110101100000010010001100010110000)$	$eval(v_{11}) = f(9.623693, 4.427881) = 35.477938$
$v_{12} = (110101100010010010001100010110001)$	$eval(v_{12}) = f(9.631066, 4.427933) = 35.456066$
$v_{13} = (111011110111011011100101010111011)$	$eval(v_{13}) = f(11.124627, 5.092514) = 30.316575$
$v_{14} = (111001100110000100000101010111011)$	$eval(v_{14}) = f(10.588756, 4.242514) = 32.932098$
$v_{15} = (111001101010111001010100110110001)$	$eval(v_{15}) = f(10.606555, 4.653714) = 30.746768$
$v_{16} = (111001100110000101000100010100001)$	$eval(v_{16}) = f(10.588814, 4.214603) = 34.359545$
$v_{17} = (111001100110000100000101010111011)$	$eval(v_{17}) = f(10.588756, 4.242514) = 32.932098$
$v_{18} = (111001100110000100000101010111001)$	$eval(v_{18}) = f(10.588756, 4.242410) = 32.956664$
$v_{19} = (111101100010001010001110000010001)$	$eval(v_{19}) = f(11.518106, 4.472757) = 19.669670$
$v_{20} = (111001100110000100000101010111001)$	$eval(v_{20}) = f(10.588756, 4.242410) = 32.956664$

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Observations:

- Best fitness of chromosomes ever derived:
38.827553, at generation 396.
- Stochastic errors of sampling
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→ Elitism is preferred, i.e., store the best ever
individual 傑出の

