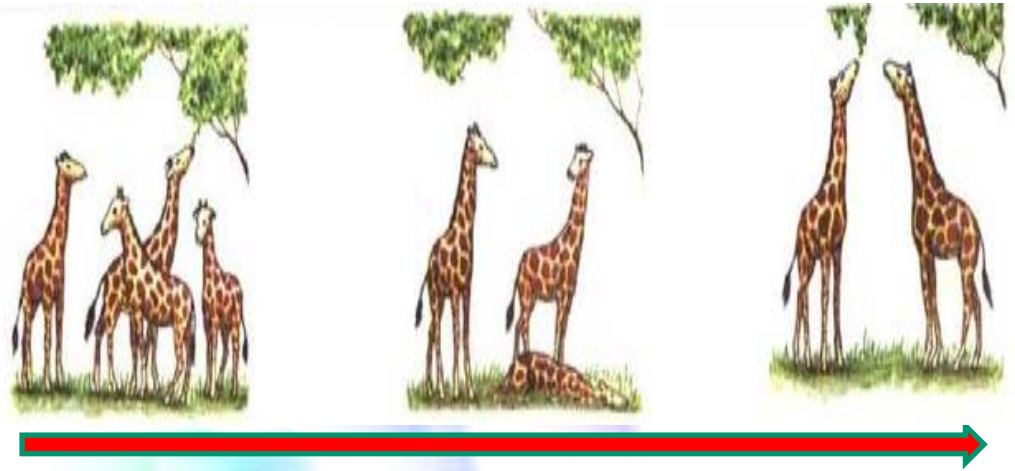


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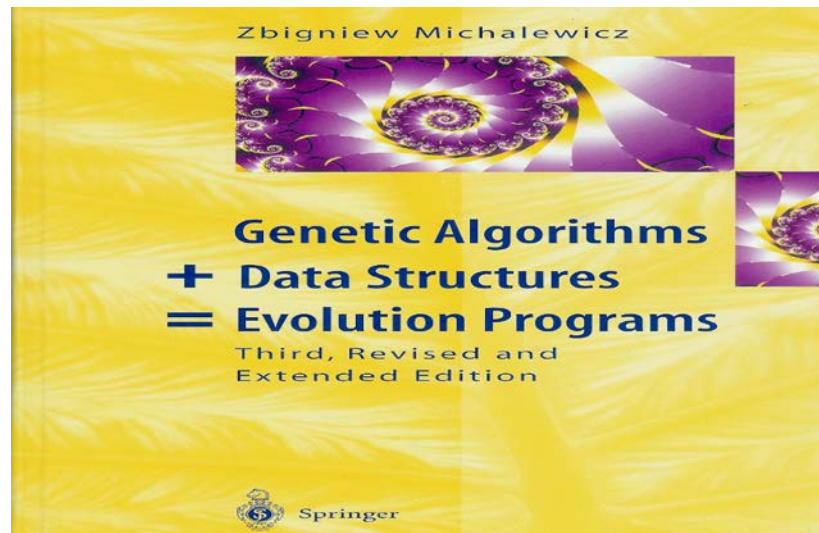


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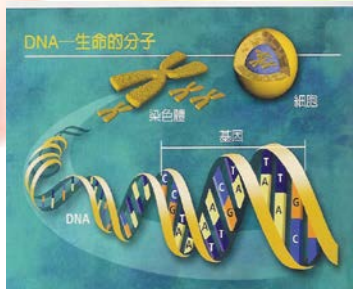
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The Evolution Mechanism

- Evolution Programs(EPs) / Evolutionary Computing(EC) / Evolutionary Computation(EC) /Evolutionary Algorithms(EAs)
 - The principle of *hereditary* and *evolution*
 - A population of possible *solutions*



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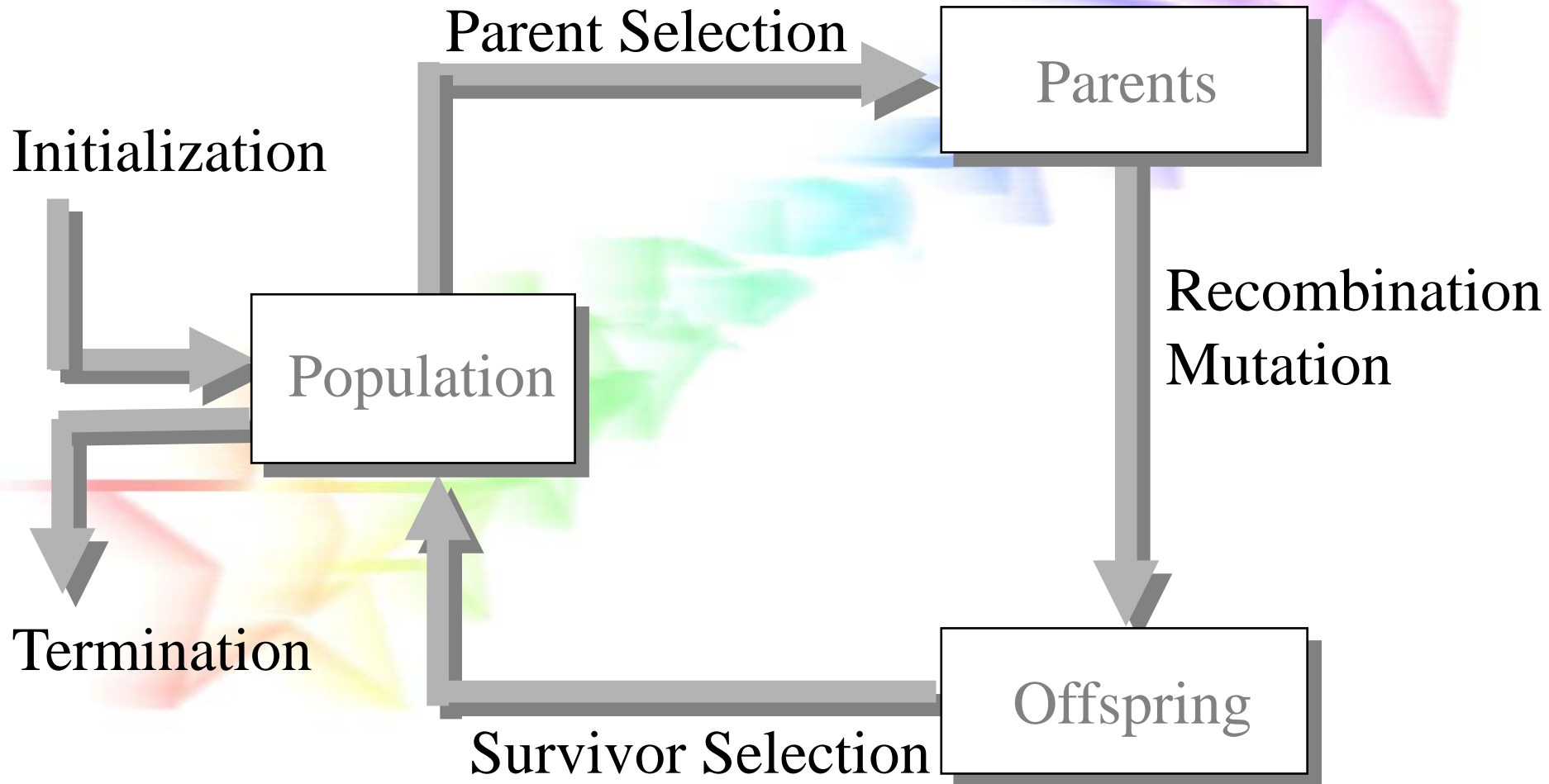
Chapter 1

GAs: What Are They?

Classical Genetic Algorithm

- Darwin's theory of evolution states that the strongest species survive, and thus reproduce themselves, creating more outstanding offspring.
- GA is a parallel, global search and optimal technique based on natural or artificial genetic operations, which include the operators of reproduction, crossover, and mutation.
- GA can effectively solve complex, confliction, mathematically difficult and constrained multiple objective problem.

The Evolutionary Cycle



Genetic Algorithm

Procedure **Genetic Algorithm**

Begin

$t \leftarrow 0$

Initialize $P(t)$

Evaluate $P(t)$

While (not termination-condition) do

Begin

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

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

Alter $P(t)$

Evaluate $P(t)$

End

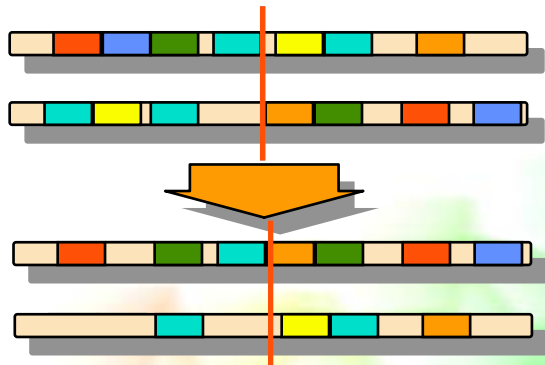
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General Scheme of an GA

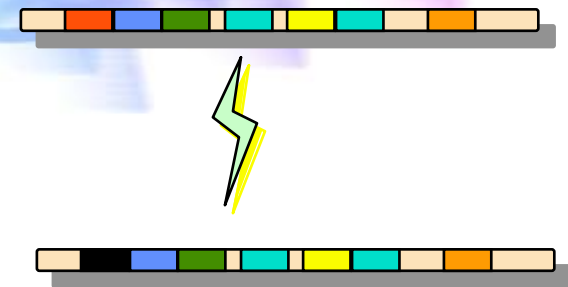
- Initialization
 - Population (Individuals)
- Selection
 - Survivor Selection (Evaluation)
- Alter
 - Crossover
 - Mutation
- Termination

Operators

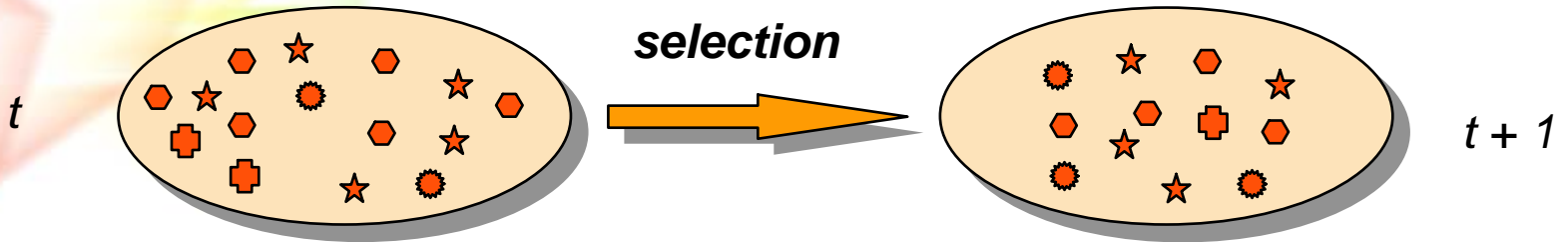
**crossover
(recombination)**



mutation



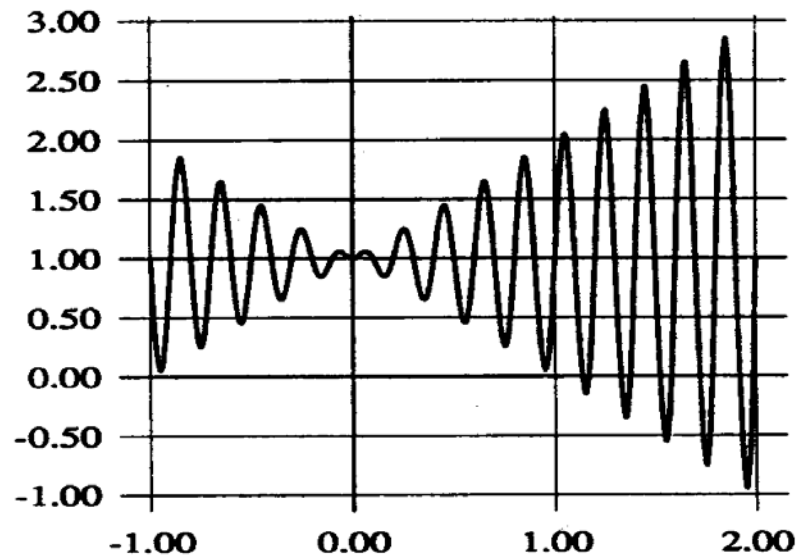
selection



Example

(one variable optimization problem)

$$\max_{x \in [-1.2]} f(x) = x \cdot \sin(10\pi \cdot x) + 1$$



Results

Generation number	Evaluation function
1	1.441942
6	2.250003
8	2.250283
9	2.250284
10	2.250363
12	2.328077
39	2.344251
40	2.345087
51	2.738930
99	2.849246
137	2.850217
145	2.850227

General Scheme of an GA

1. An **evaluation function** (fitness function)
2. Values for various **parameters** (pop_size, crossover_rate, mutation_rate, ...)
3. A genetic **representation** (individual)
4. A way to create an **initial population**
5. Genetic **operators** (crossover, mutation, selection)
6. A way to **terminate** the algorithm
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General Scheme of an GA

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- *Fitness Function :*

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- *Crossover rate =*
- *Mutation ratio =*

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- *Crossover:*
- *Mutation:*
- *Survivor Selection*

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The Metaphor

Gene ↔

Genotype
(*Chromosome*) ↔

Phenotype
(*Individual*) ↔

Population ↔

Locus(gene) ↔

Fitness ↔

Hillclimbing, Simulated Annealing, and Genetic Algorithms

- Example:

$$\max f(v) = |11 \cdot one(v) - 150|$$

- Comparison:

Hillclimbing

Procedure **Iterated Hillclimber**
begin

$t \leftarrow 0$

repeat

$local \leftarrow \text{FALSE}$

 select a current string v_c at random

 evaluate v_c

repeat

 select 30 new strings in the neighborhood of v_c
 by flipping single bits of v_c

 select the string v_n from the set of new strings
 with the largest value of objective function f

if $f(v_c) < f(v_n)$ **then** $v_c \leftarrow v_n$

else $local \leftarrow \text{TRUE}$

until $local$

$t \leftarrow t + 1$

until $t = \text{max}$

end

Simulated Annealing

Procedure **Simulated Annealing**

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 Initialize temperature T

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 evaluate v_c

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if $f(v_c) < f(v_n)$

then $v_c \leftarrow v_n$

else

if $\text{random}[0..1) < \exp\{(f(v_n) - f(v_c))/T\}$

then $v_c \leftarrow v_n$

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- Comparison:

GA vs. Conventional Optimization

Algorithm performance

- **Never** draw any conclusion from a single run.
 - Use statistical measures (averages, medians) from a sufficient number of independent runs.
- From the application point of view
 - **design** perspective:
Find a **very good** solution at least **once**.
 - **production** perspective:
Find a **good** solution at **almost every run**.
- Remember the WUTIWYG principle:
 - “What you test is what you get” – don’t tune algorithm performance on toy **data** and expect it to work with real data.