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#### 1 Introduction

A very interesting swarm in nature is honey bee swarm that allocates the tasks dynamically and adapts itself in response to changes in the environment in a collective intelligent manner [1]. Honey Bees Mating Optimization (HBMO) algorithm is a typical swarm-based approach to optimization, in which the search algorithm is inspired by the honey bees mating process. The Honey Bees Mating Optimization Algorithm was first presented in [2], [3], and since then it was used on a number of different applications [4][5][6]. HBMO is an evolutionary computation algorithm which simulates the mating process of the queen of the hive. The mating process of the queen begins when the queen flights away from the nest performing the mating flight which the drones follow the queen and mate with her in the air. Learning Automaton (LA) is a general-purpose stochastic optimization tool, which has been developed as a model for learning systems. They are typically used as the basis of learning systems, which through interactions with a stochastic unknown environment learn the optimal action for that environment. The learning automaton tries to determine, iteratively, the optimal action to apply to environment from a finite number of actions that are available to it. The environment returns a reinforcement signal that shows the relative

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