

# Bias–variance tradeoff

A multi-objective approach using MAMaLGaM

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# Introduction

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## Different analysis:

### 1. Shared "resource" Hyperparameters:

- Max. number of evaluations
- Elitist archive size
- Approximation set size
- Problem dimension ( $K \times 3$ )

### 2. Optimal Population size

- Bisection method

### 3. Algorithm-based hyperparameters

- Number of mixture components

**Hypervolume:** metric of comparison

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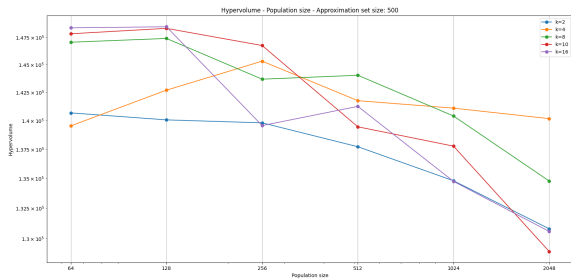
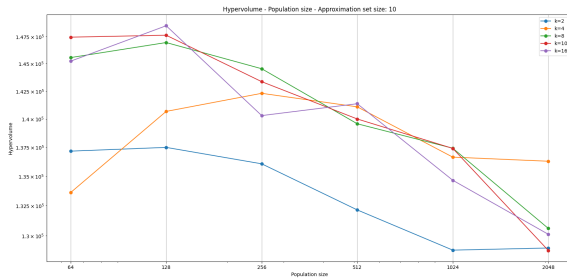
# Black-box Optimization Analysis

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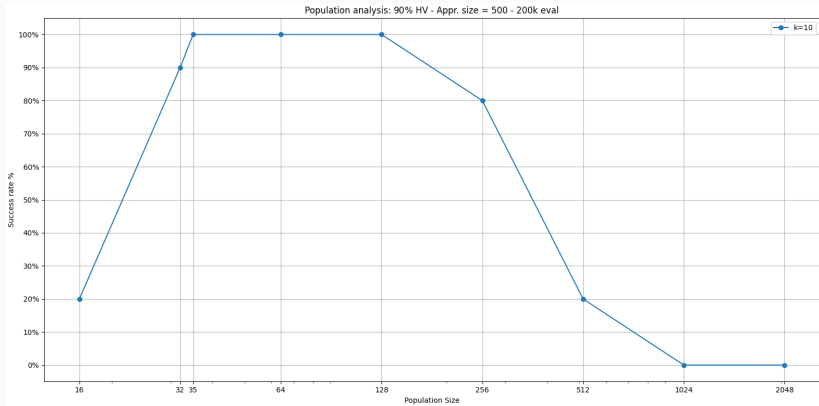
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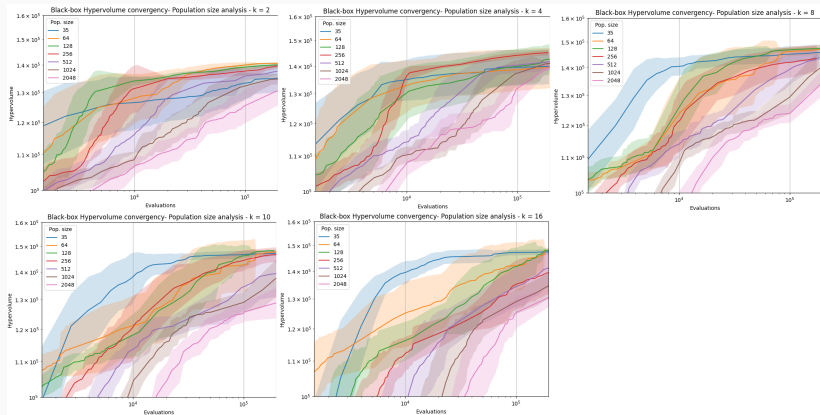




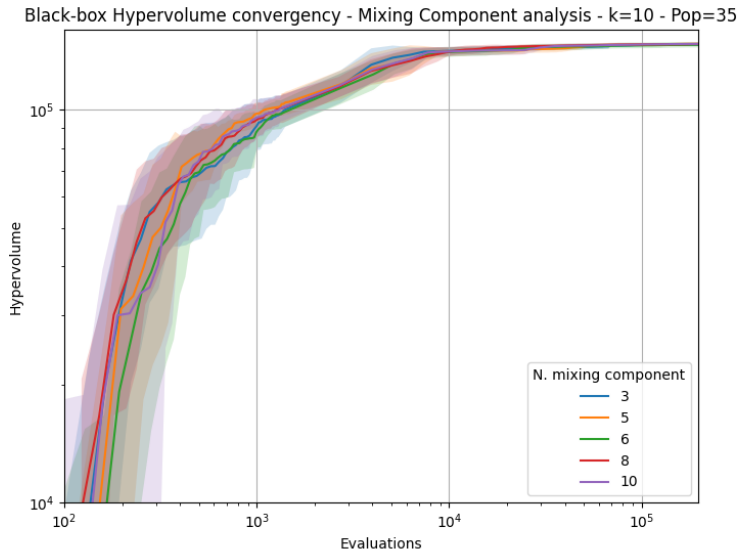
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# Optimal Population size: influence of K



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## White-box Optimization: improvements, analysis and results

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$$i_{\text{worst}} = \underset{i \in \{0, K-1\}}{\operatorname{argmax}} D_i \quad (7)$$



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- Re-sampling of independent standard Gaussian used for offspring**

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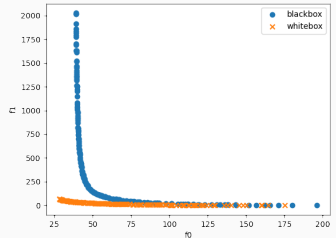
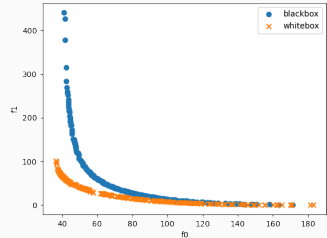
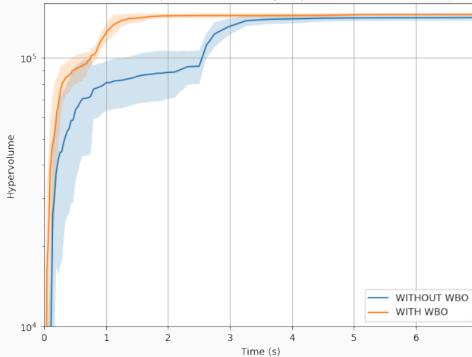
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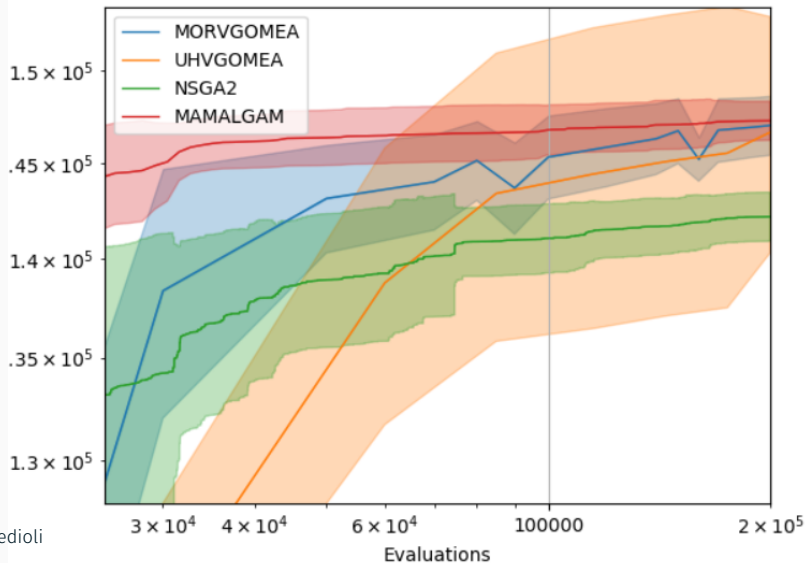
# WBO - Results

Black-box vs White-box - Hypervolume convergency - varm=100 - k=10 - Pop=35



# Comparison - Results

## Hypervolume vs Evaluations



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