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Project 2: Towards an Optimisation Tool

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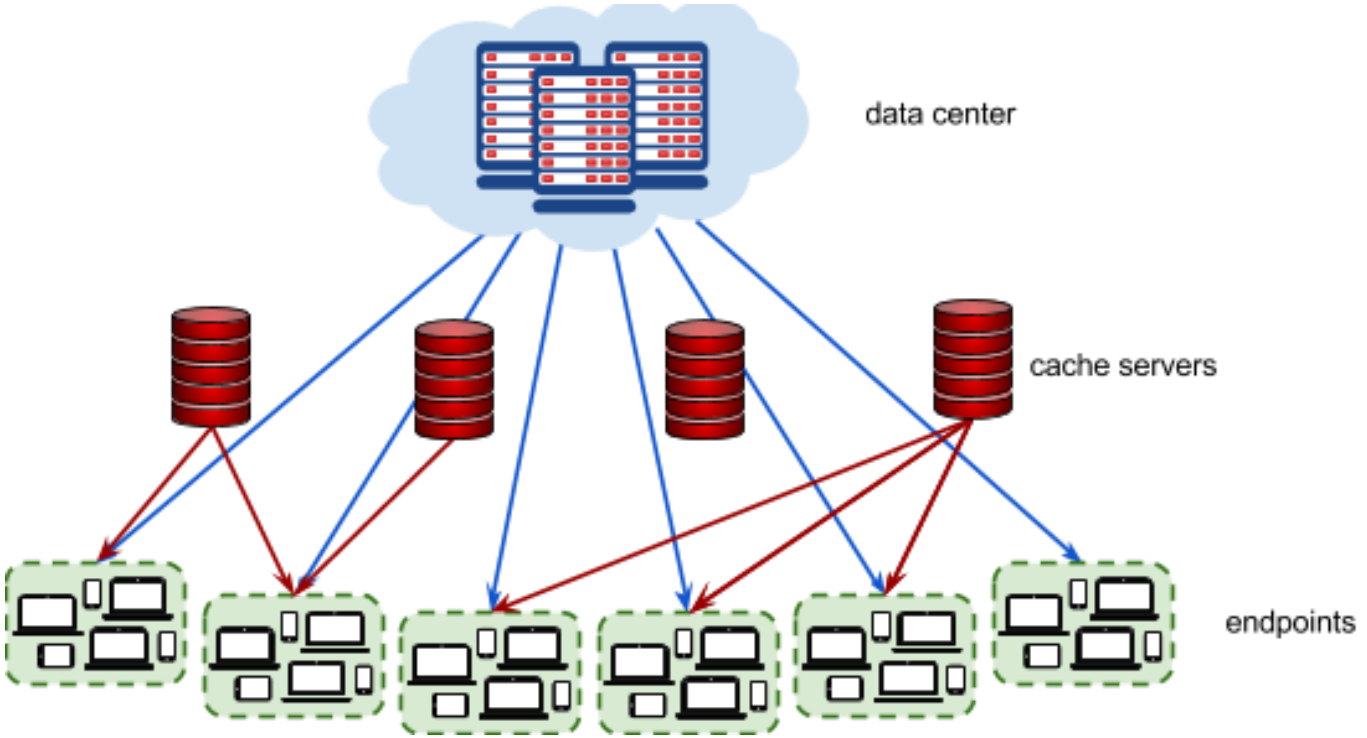
GOOGLE HASH CODE 2017

Problem Description



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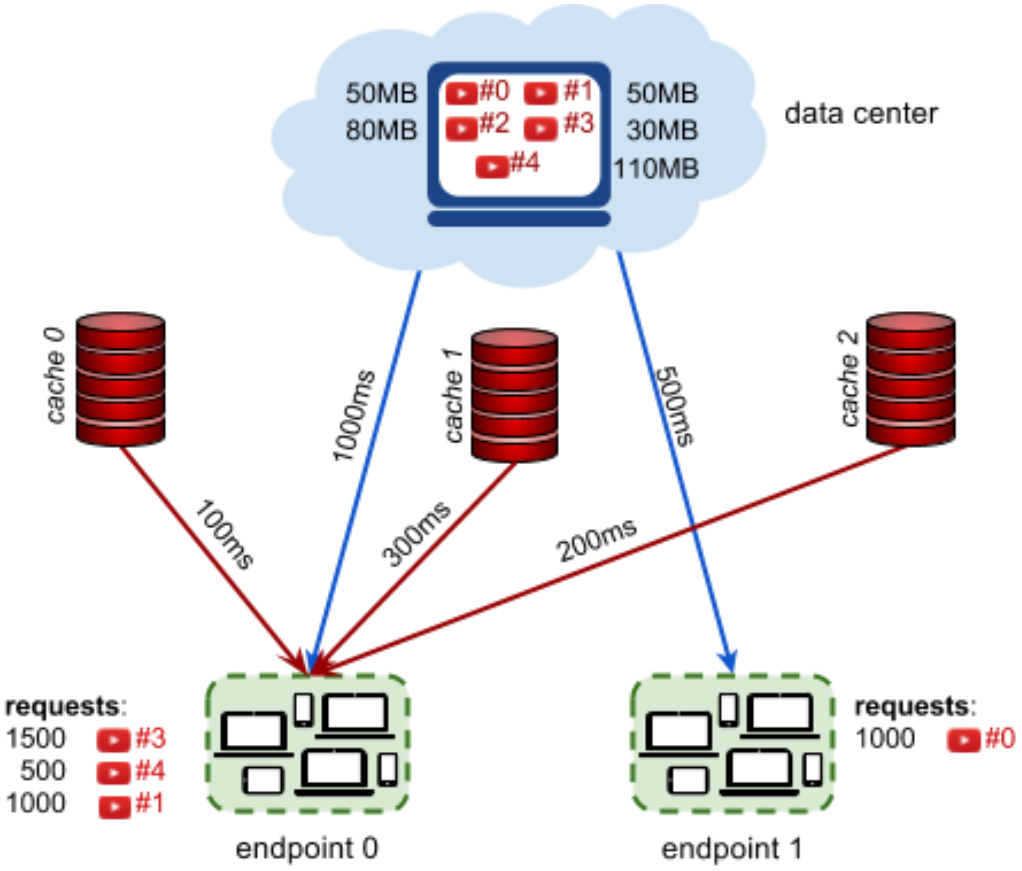
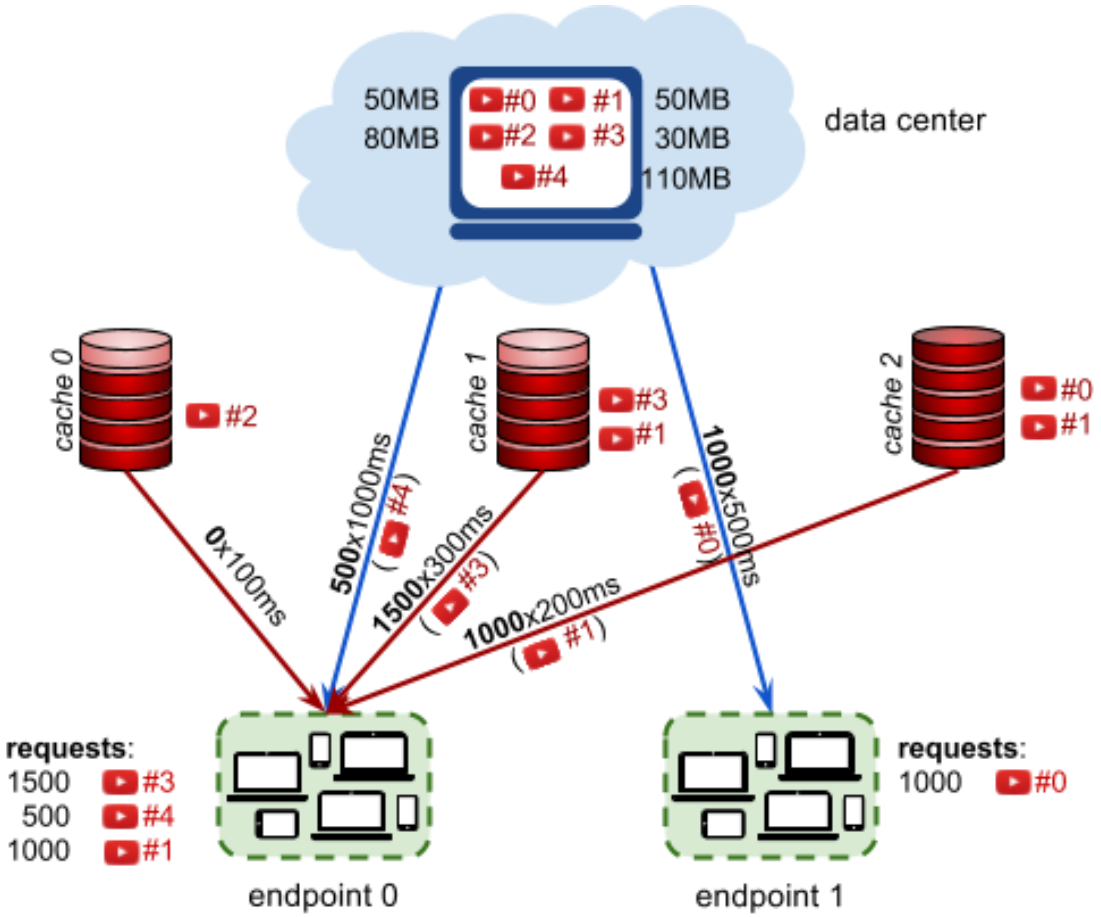


Solutions


50MB
80MB
#0
#1
#2
#3
#4
50MB
30MB
110MB
data center
cache 0
#2
cache 1
#3
#1
cache 2
#0
#1
0x100ms
500x1000ms
(#4)
1500x300ms
(#3)
1000x200ms
(#1)
1000x500ms
(#0)
requests:
1500 #3
500 #4
1000 #1
endpoint 0
requests:
1000 #0
endpoint 1

Constraints

- Sum of all videos stored in a cache server ≤ capacity of the cache server

Scoring Solutions

- Scoring function
  ="cost function"
  ="utility function"
  ="fitness function"

score = 0

for each request q for a file f at an endpoint e

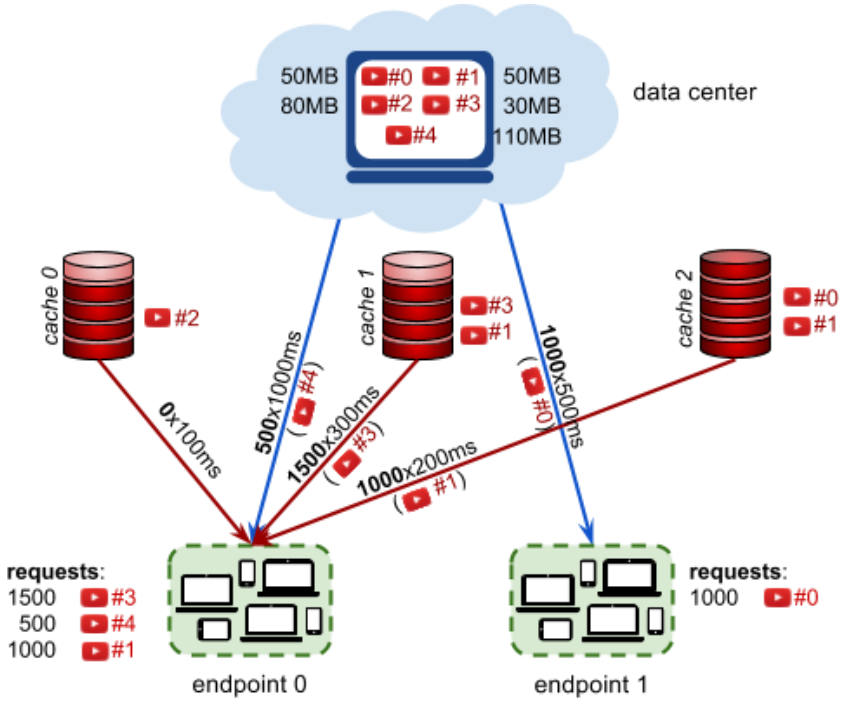
score += number of videos in the request *
(latency from data centre – best latency
from a cache server serving e and hosting f)

endfor

score = score/number of requests

score *= 1000

Scoring Solutions



1500 x video 3 from cache 1=

1500 x (1000 - 300)

500 x video 4 from data centre=

500 x (1000 – 0)

1000 x video 1 from cache 2 =

1000 x (1000 – 200)

1000 x video 0 from data centre =

1000 x (500 – 0)

%(1500 + 500 + 1000 + 1000)

462.5 ms on average

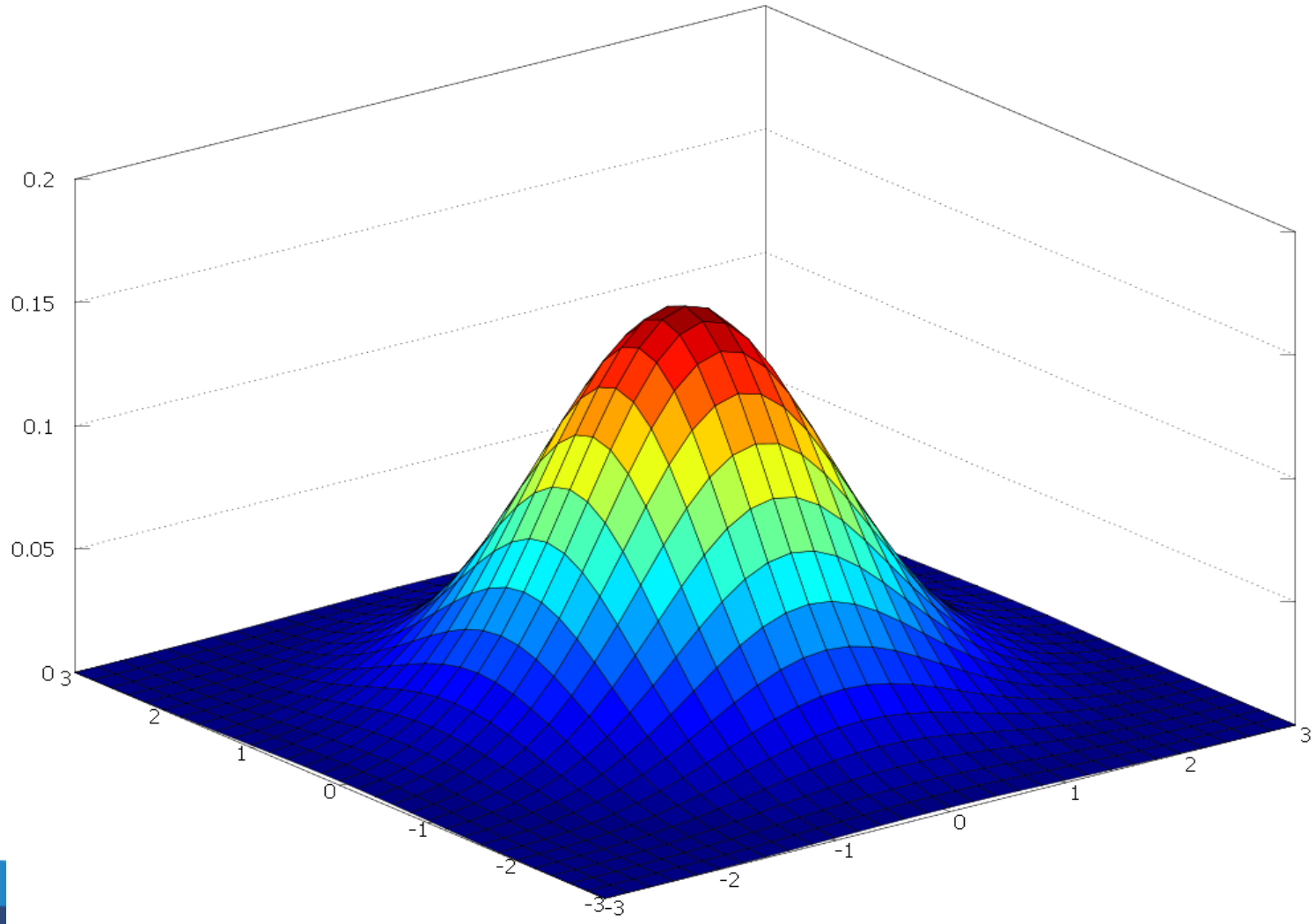
462500 points

TOWARDS AN OPTIMISATION TOOL

Components of an Optimisation Tool

- Search Algorithm
- Representation
- Search Operators
- Fitness Function

Hill Climbing



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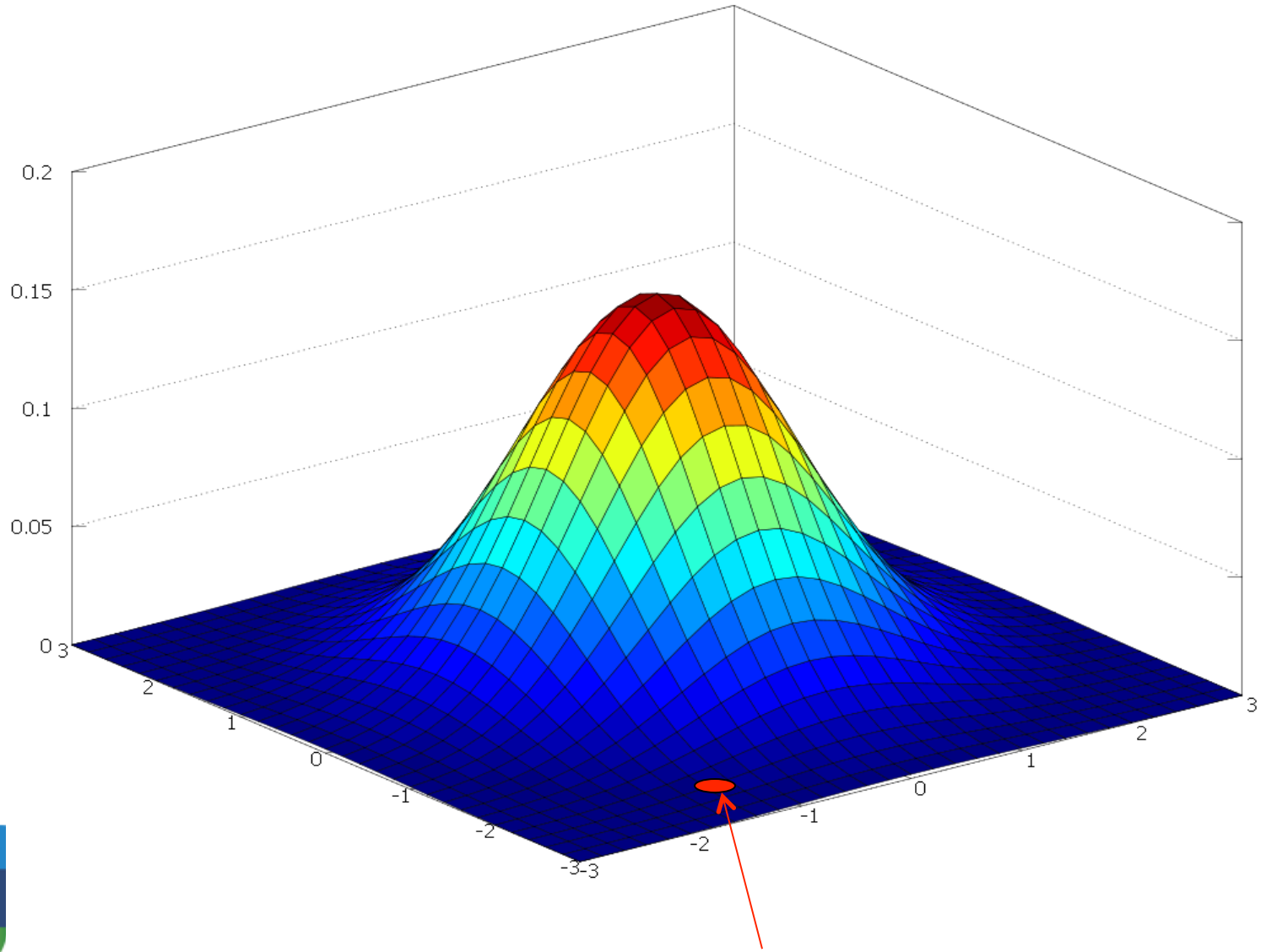

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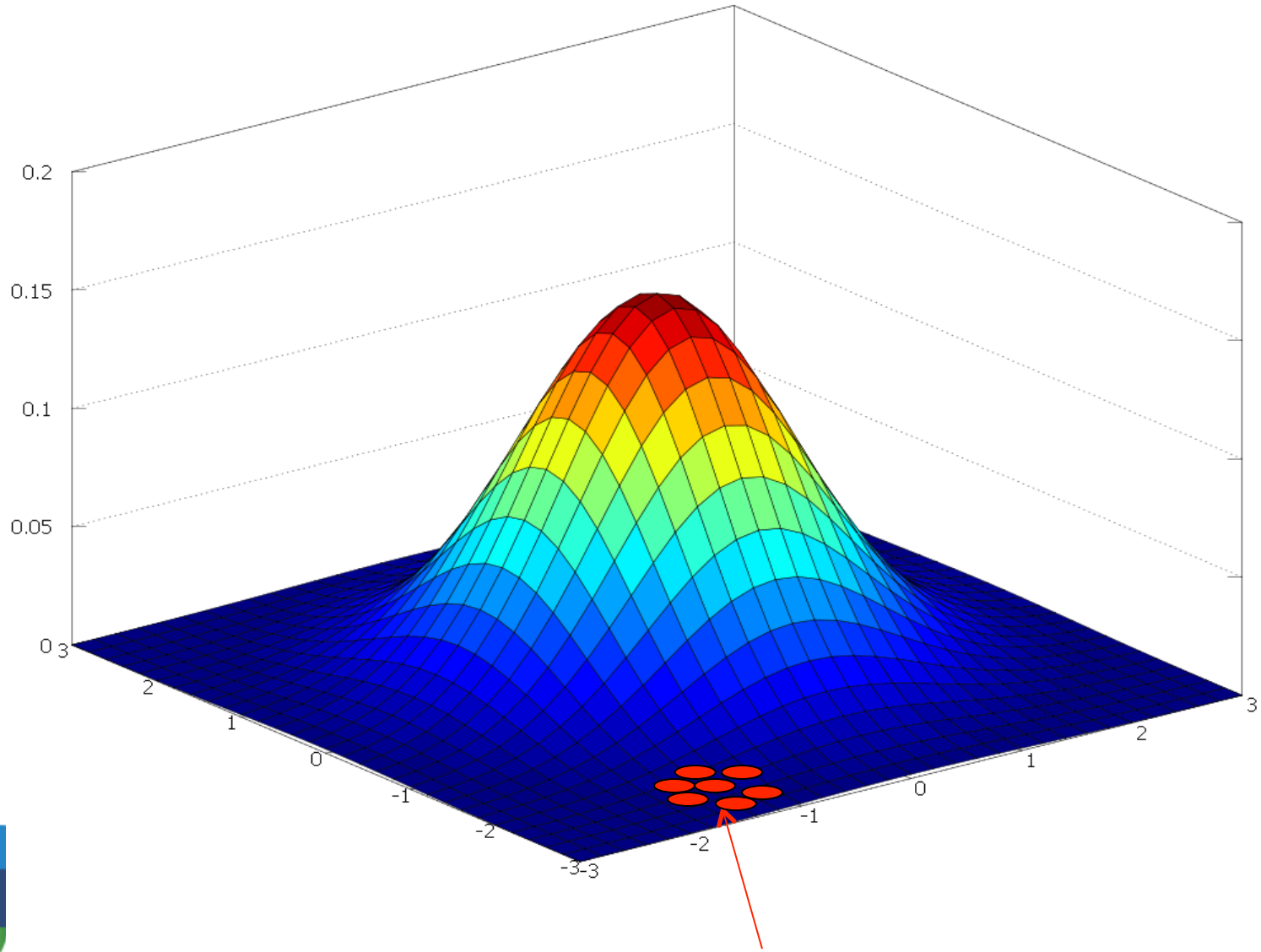

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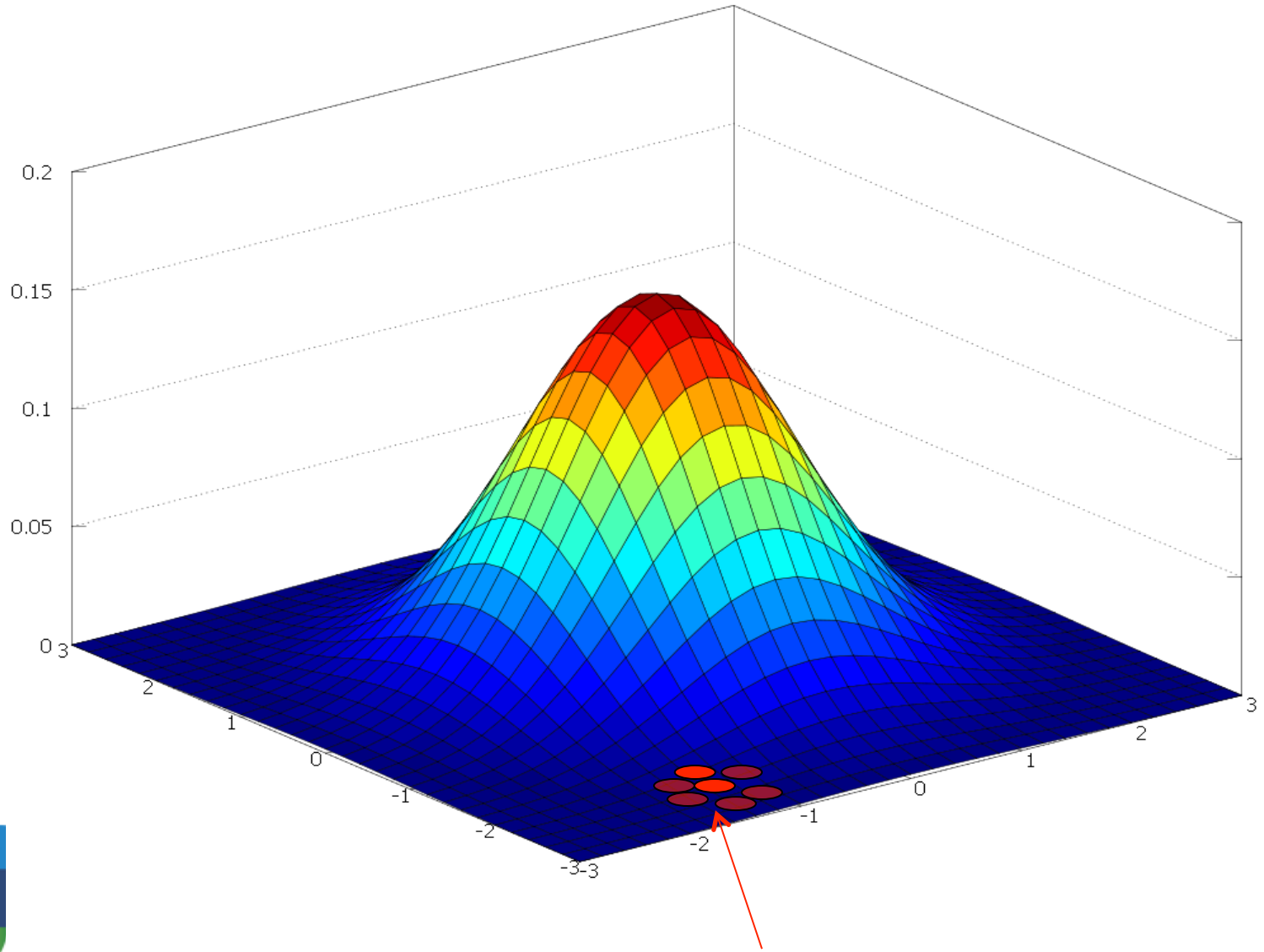
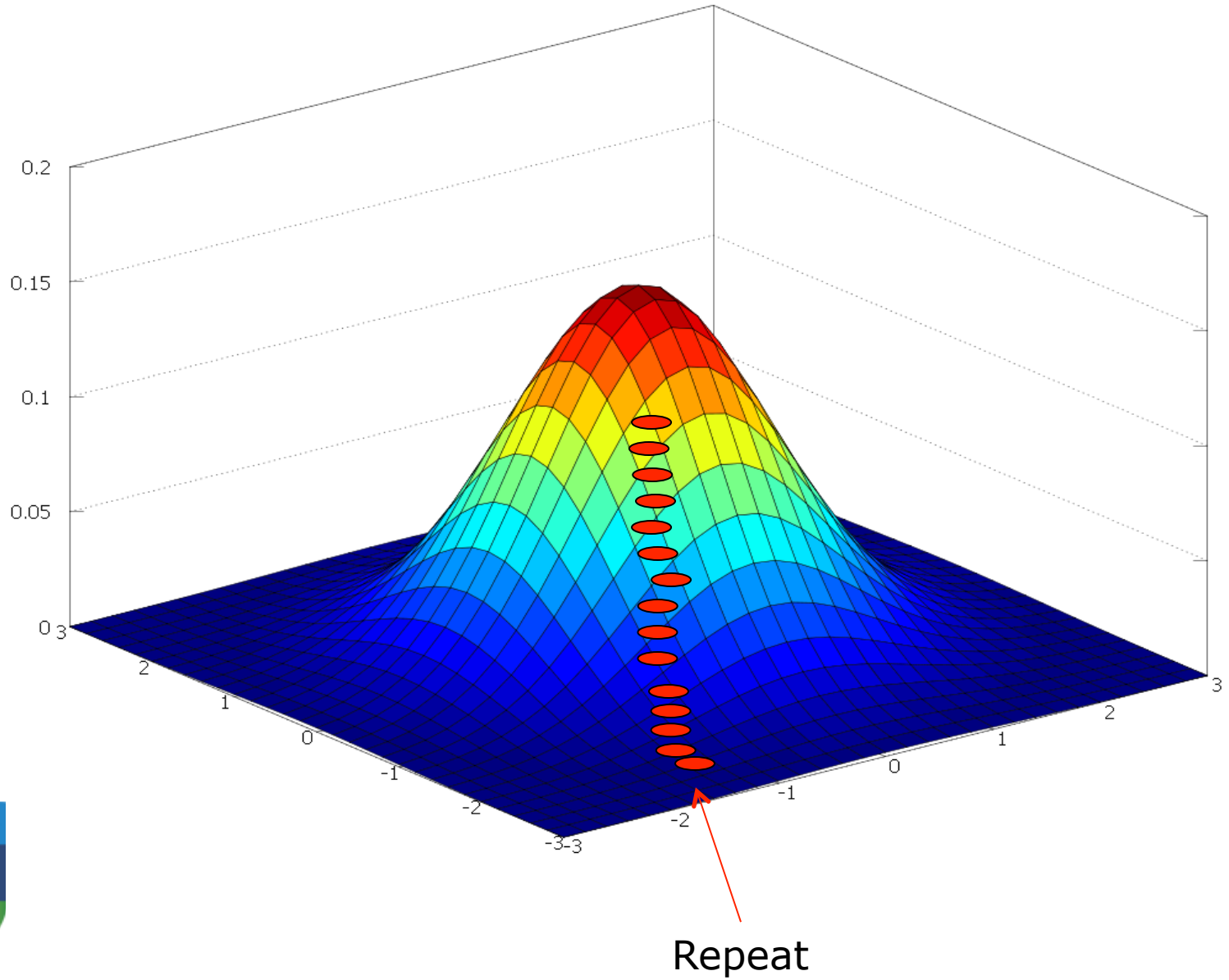


Choose better neighbour

Hill Climbing



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- Search Algorithm — Hill climbing
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Representation

cache0 - 2
cache1 - 1,3
cache2 – 0,1

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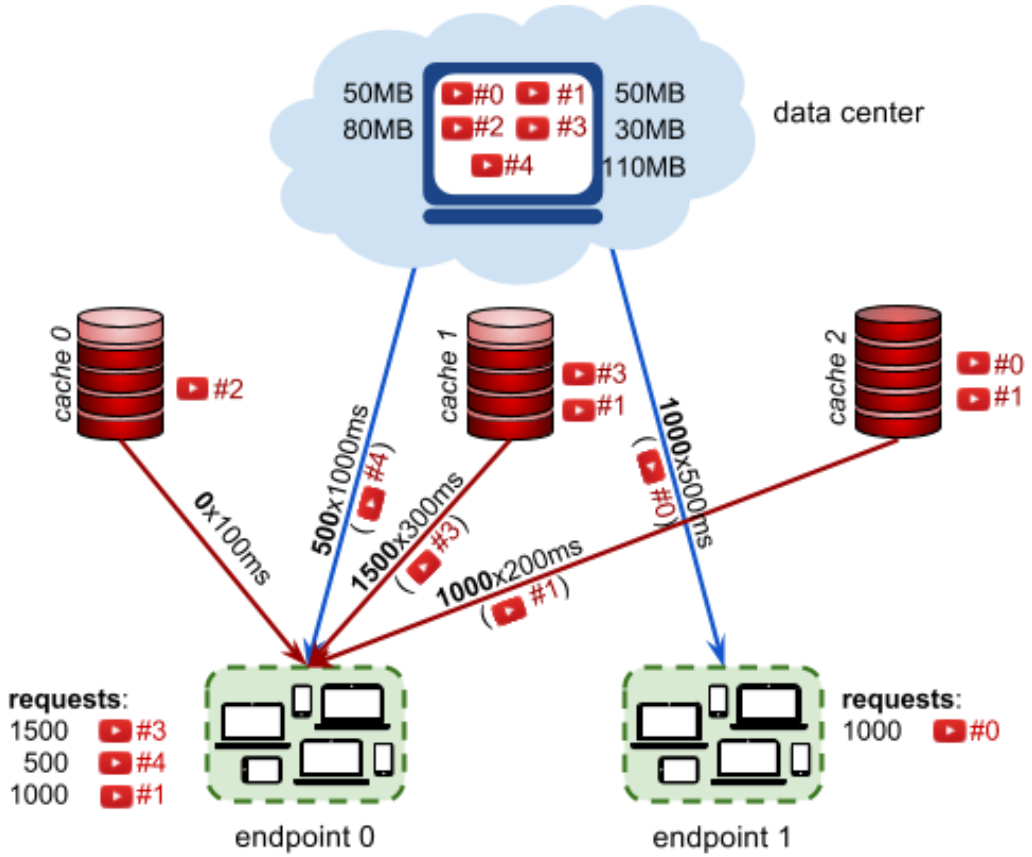
((2),(1,3),(0,1)



A Solution

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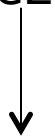


((2),(1,3),(0,1)

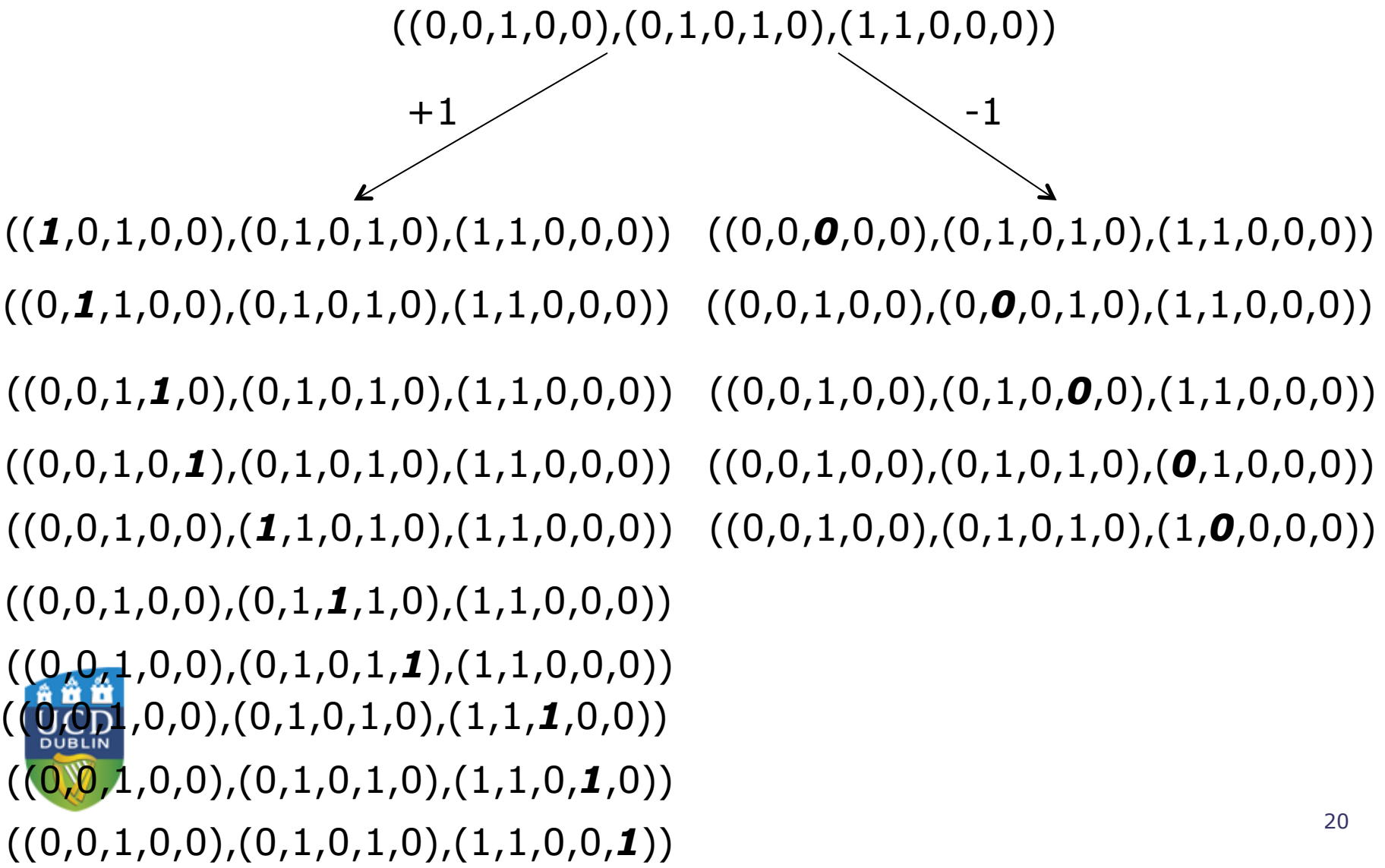
or

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

Components of an Optimisation Tool

Search Algorithm	Hill climbing
Representation	2D list
Search Operators	
Fitness Function	

Search


((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
+1
-1
((**1**,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,**1**,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,**1**,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,**1**),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(**1**,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,**1**,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,**1**),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,**1**,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,**1**,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,**1**))
((0,0,**0**,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,**0**,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,**0**,0),(1,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(**0**,1,0,0,0))
((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,**0**,0,0,0))

Search

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

+1

-1

~~((***1***,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

((0,0,***0***,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

~~((0,***1***,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,***0***,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

~~((0,0,1,***1***,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,***0***,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

~~((0,0,1,0,***1***),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(***0***,1,0,0,0))

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((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,***0***,0,0,0))

~~((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,***1***,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

~~((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,***1***),(1,1,0,0,0))~~

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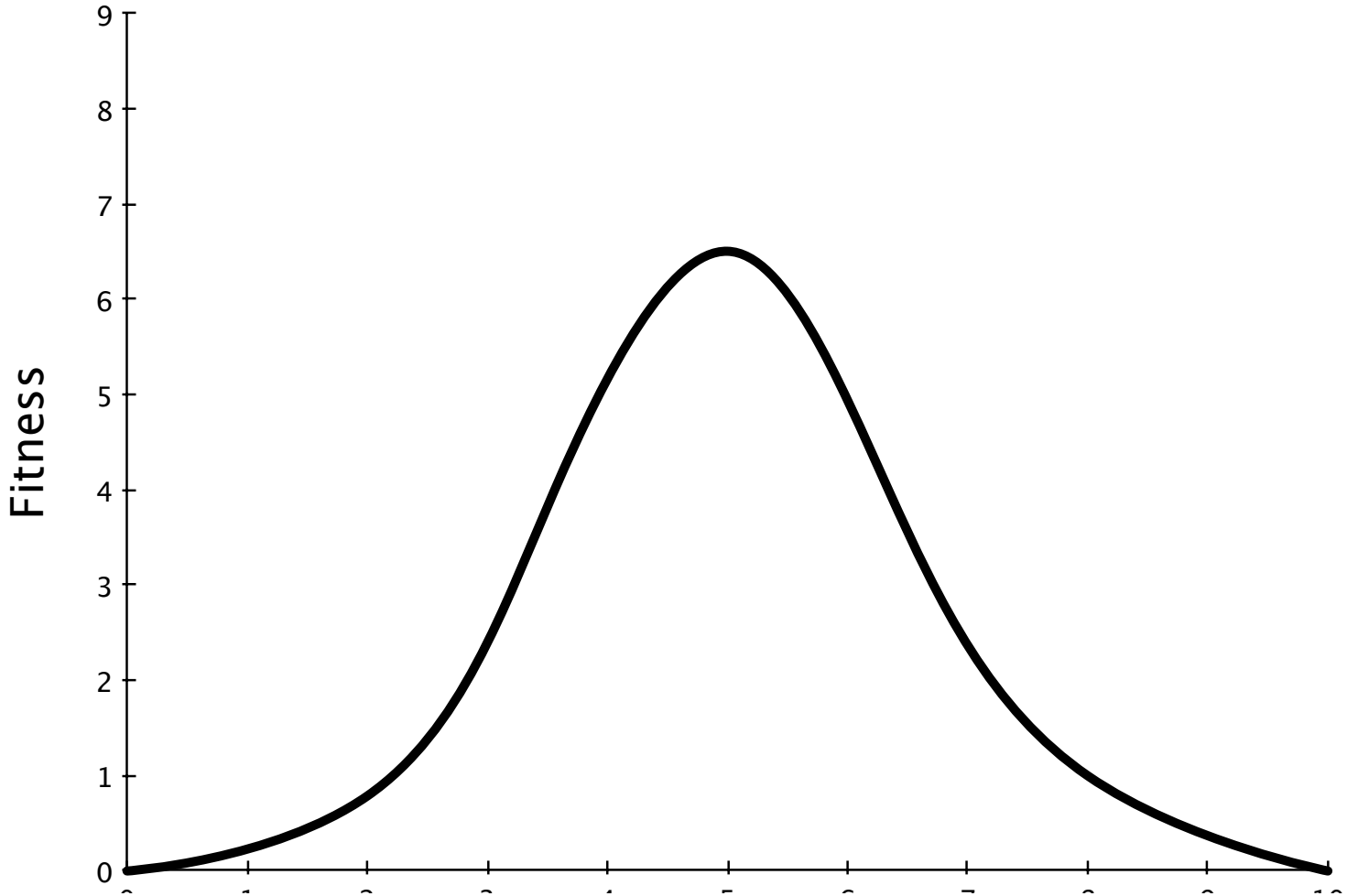
Problem with Hill-climbing



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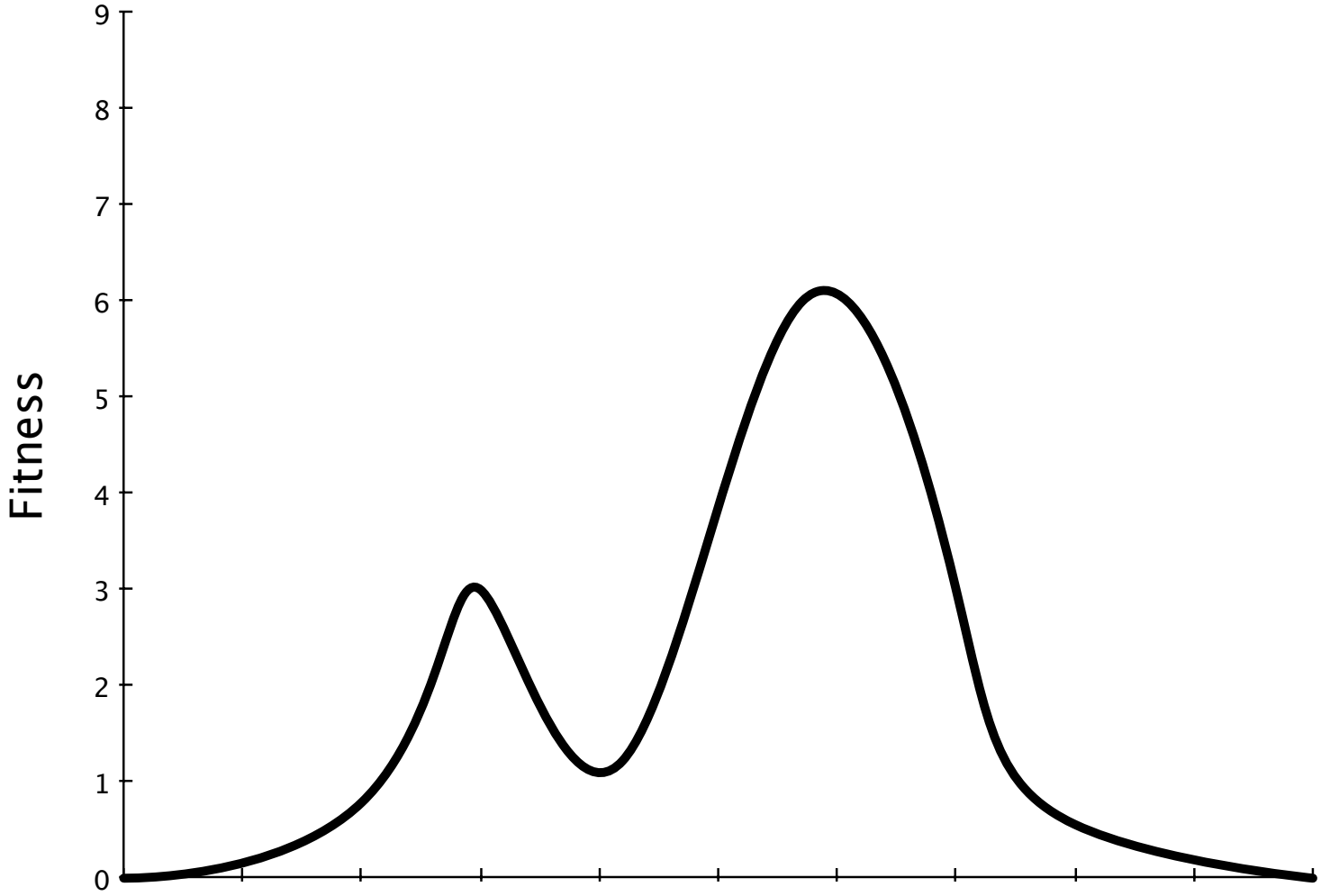

Evolutionary (Genetic) Algorithms

- Two basic operations:
  - ***Mutation***

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0)) ((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,***1***,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

before mutation → after mutation

  - ***Crossover***

((0,0,1,0,0),(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0)) (***(0,1,1,0,0)***,(0,1,0,1,0),(1,1,0,0,0))

((0,1,1,0,0),(0,1,1,1,0),(1,0,0,0,0)) (***(0,0,1,0,0)***,(0,1,1,1,0),(1,0,0,0,0))

before CO → after CO

Selection

- keep only the fittest individuals?
- or keep some “diversity”?
- how many individual solutions do we keep in a population?
- how often do we do crossover?
- how often do we mutate?