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Challenge posed by Dr Carola Doerr

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What are the 3 main advantages of non-static parameter choices?

Response

Some advantages of setting parameters dynamically are -

- As evolution proceeds, it allows to utilize the information accumulated regarding the fitness landscape to improve future performance
- As evolution progresses from a more diffused global search process to a more converging local search process, dynamic parameters help in accurate convergence
- It effectively helps in solving optimization problems where the fitness landscape itself is adaptive [1][2][3]

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