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Evolutionary Computing - Module 2.

Darwinian Evolution.

Given an environment that can host only a limited number of individual, and the basic instinct of individual to reproduce, selection become inevitable if the population size is not to grow exponentially.

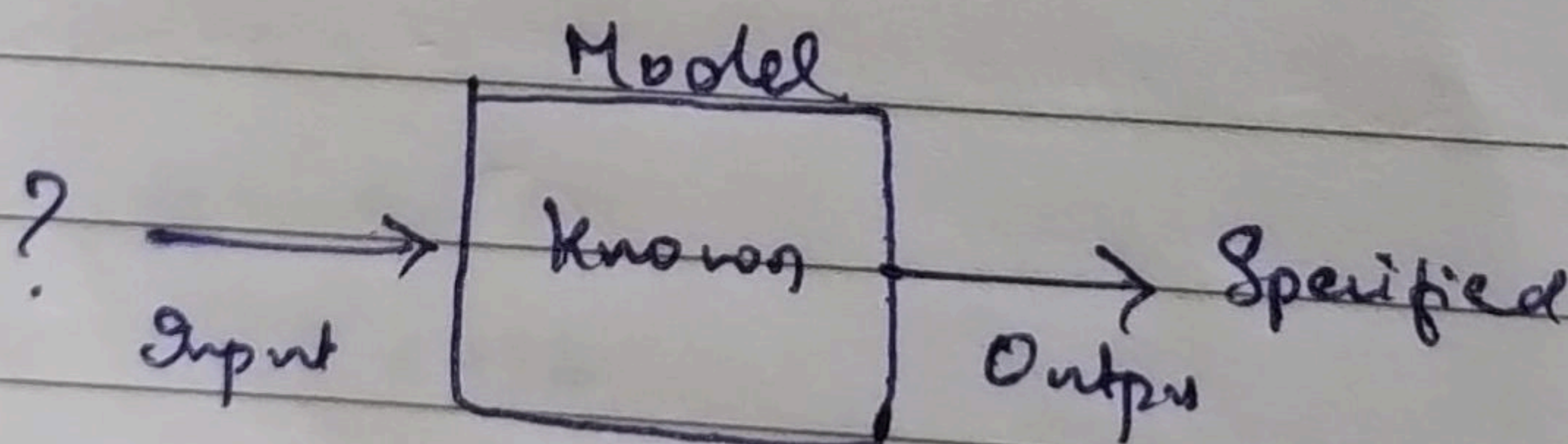
Why Evolutionary Computing.

- > Automated Problem Solver.
- > Copying Natural Problem Solver.
- > for ex: The human brain - neurocomputing.

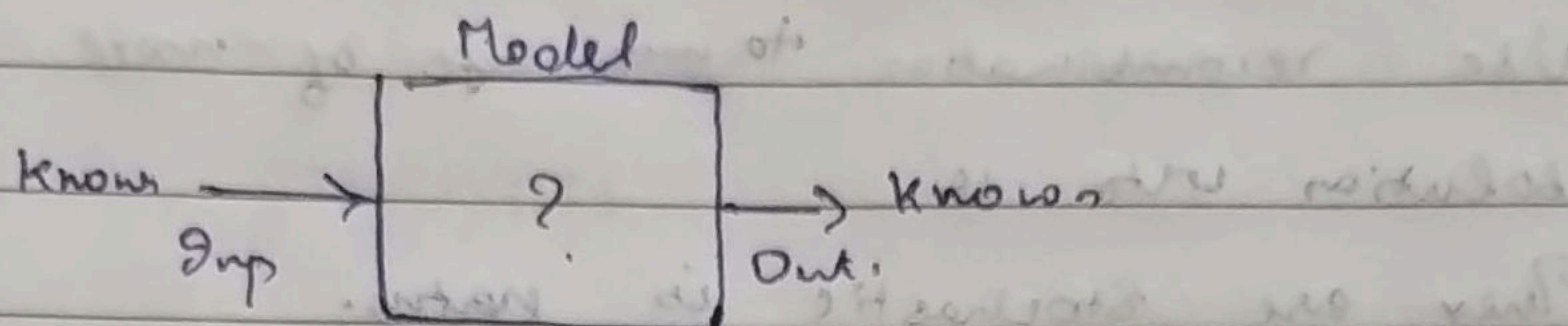
Evolutionary Process - Evolutionary Computing

1. Optimization Problem

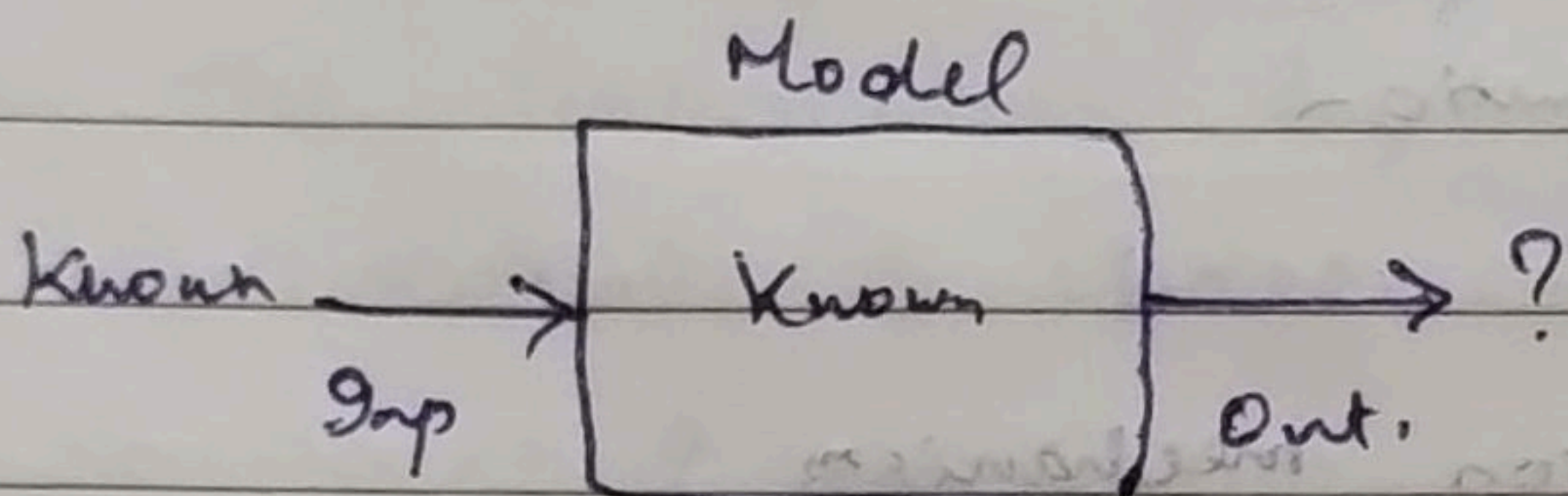
Identify set of input.



2. Modeling / System identification Problem

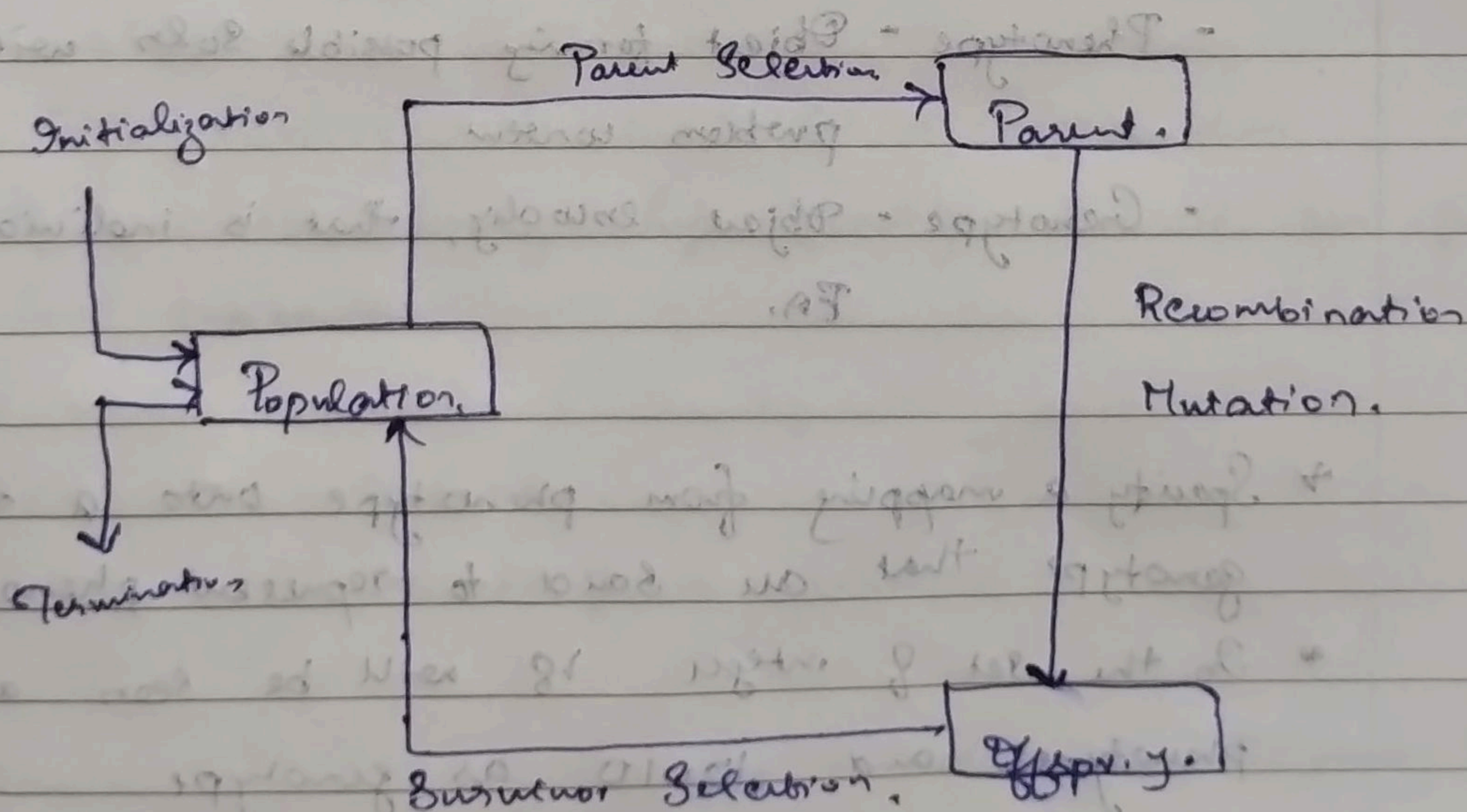


3. Simulation Problem.



→ There are different variations of evolutionary algorithms.
The common idea is,

- Give a population of individuals
- Environmental pressure causes natural selection.



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Properties.

- * EA's are population based.
- * Use recombination to mix info of more candidates.
solution into new
- * They are stochastic in nature.

Components.

1. Representation
2. Evaluation function
3. Population
4. Parent Selection mechanism
5. Variation operator, recombination and mutation
6. Survivor Selection mechanism

1. Representation

* Link realworld to EA world.

- Phenotype - Object forming possible soln within original problem context
- Genotype - Object encoding, that is individual within EA.

* Specify a mapping from phenotype onto a set of genotype that are used to represent phenotype.

* In the set of integers 18 will be seen as phenotype and 10010 as genotype

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2. Evaluation function.

* It is a function / procedure that assigns a quality measure to genotypes.

3. Population.

* To hold possible soln

* Multiset of genotype.

* Setting the population size.

* Best individual is chosen as seed for next gen

* The diversity of population is a measure of the no of different soln present.

4. Parent Selection Mechanism.

* To distinguish among parents.

* It is a parent if it has been selected to undergo variation.

* High quality individual get a higher chance

* If we are choosing high quality then it can go into local optimum.

5. Variation operation

* New individual from old is

→ Mutation.

↳ Old genotype and define a slightly modified mutant.

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→ Recombination.

↳ A binary variation operator

Merges info from 2 parent genotype into 1.

6.5 Survivor Selection

- * Distinguish among individual based on their quality
- * Survivor selection is also often seen.

I Initialization

- * Randomly generated individual.
- * Problem Specific heuristic initial population with high fitness.

II Termination

- * Has a known optimum fitness level coming from a known optimum of the given objective function then reaching this level is stopping condition.
- * Max allowed CPU time elapses.
- * Total no of fitness evaluation reaches a given limit.
- * For a given period of time - for a no of generations fitness evaluation.
- * Diversity drop under a given threshold.

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Genetic Algorithms:

- * developed by John Holland in 1960's and 1980's.
- * representation \rightarrow bits/ky.
- * Mutation is bit flip.

Representation of Individual.

1. Binary Representation.

- * Mutation for binary representation:

1 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 \rightarrow 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0

2. Integer Representation.

* Random Resetting

\rightarrow Will have a probability P_m which is chosen at random from set of permissible values in each position.

* Creep Mutation.

\rightarrow To make small change relative to range of possible values.

\rightarrow for ordinal attributes and work by adding a small value to each gene with probability P .

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*3. Floating Point.

→ change gene randomly within its domain.

* Uniform Mutation.

→ uniformly randomly from $[L_i, U_i]$.

→ Positive & worse mutation prob.

→ Analogous to bit flipping for binary encoding and random resetting sketched for integer encoding.

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* Non uniform mutation with fixed distribution.

→ Analogous to the creep mutation.

→ Adding to the current gene value an amount drawn randomly from a gaussian.

distribution with mean zero and

user specified standard deviation and

then clamping the resulting value to the range $[L_i, U_i]$ if necessary.

*4. Mutation Operators for Permutation representations.

1. Swap Mutation

→ cannot use a random.

2. Insert Mutation

→ mutation operation

3. Scramble Mutation

4. Inversion Mutation

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Recombination

→ new individual from information from 2 or more parent.

1. Binary Representation

1. One point crossover

2. N-point crossover

3. Uniform crossover

→ If value is below parameter p , the gene is taken from 1st parent or else from second parent

2. Integer Represent

1. Same as binary representation.

3. Floating Point Representation:

1. Arithmetic Recombination

→ Three types

a. Simple Recombination

2. Single Arithmetic Recombination

→ Pick a gene or cell, take arithmetic avg of 2 parent

3. Whole Arithmetic Recombination

→ Take weighted sum of two parental allele for each gene

Child 1: $\alpha \cdot \bar{x} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \bar{y}$, child 2: $\alpha \cdot \bar{y} + (1 - \alpha) \cdot \bar{x}$

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Choice	Element Selected	Reason	Partial Result.
AU	1	Random.	[1]
2, 5, 4, 9	5	Shortest list	[1, 5]
5 4, 6	6	Common edge	[1 5 6]
2, 7	2	Random choice	[1 5 6 2]
3, 8	8	Shortest list	[1 5 6 2 8]
7, 9	7	Common edge	[1 5 6 2 8 7]
3	3	Only item in list	[1 5 6 2 8 7 3]
10 4, 9	9	Random choice	[1 5 6 2 8 7 3 9]
4	4	last element.	[1 5 6 2 8 7 3 9 4]

C A B D E F

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A B C E F D.

Element Edge.

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~~A~~ ~~B, D, C~~~~B~~ ~~A, C, D~~~~C~~ ~~B, E, A, F~~~~D~~ ~~F, A, B, E~~~~E~~ ~~D, F, C~~

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~~F~~ ~~E, C, D~~

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Choice	Element Selected	Reason	Partial Result
A	A	Random choice	[A]
B, D, C	B	Common edge	[A B]
C, D	C	Random choice	[A B C]
E, F	E	Random choice	[A B C E]
D, F	F	Common edge	[A B C E F]
D	D	last element	[A B C E F D]

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