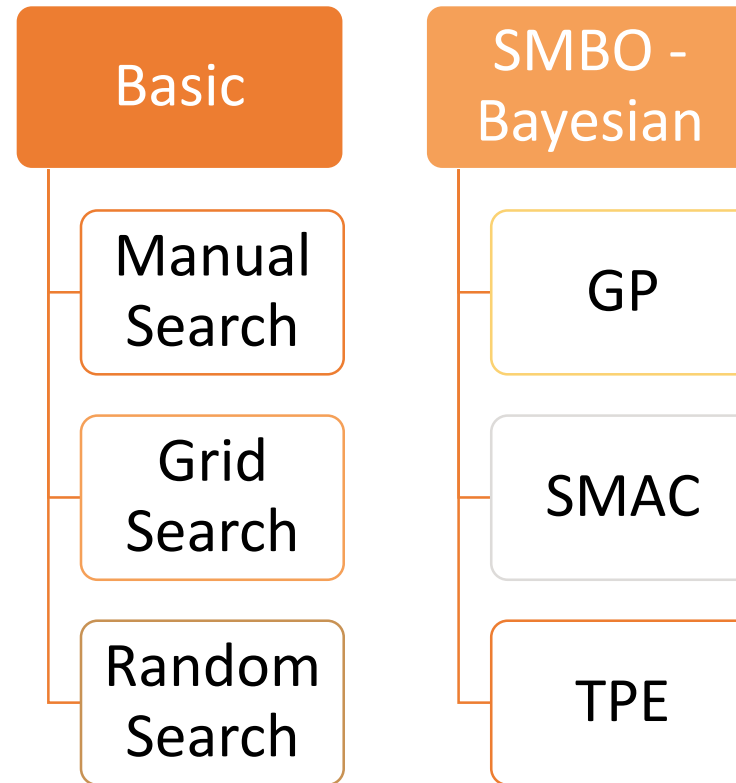


Basic Search vs Bayesian Optimization

Search strategies



Searches in a nutshell

	Grid Search	Random Search	Bayesian
Parallelize	✓	✓	ish
Effective in high dimension	✗	✓	✓
Effective in (very) low dimension	✓	-	-
Suited for continuous hyperparameters	✗	✓	✓
Complex Machine Learning models	✗	ish	✓
Resource intensive	-	✓	✗
Wall-clock time intensive	-	✗	✓
Hyperparameter values	Manually defined	Drawn from a distribution	Drawn from a distribution

Bayesian searches in a nutshell

	GP	SMAC	TPE
Approximate	$f(x)$	$f(x)$	hyperparam distribution
Surrogate	Gaussian processes	Random Forests	Density kernels (tree parzen estimators)
Hyperparam interaction	✓	✓	✗
Speed	Less fast	Fast	fast
Implementation	Scikit-Optimize	Scikit-Optimize	Hyperopt, Optuna
Nested spaces	✗	✗	✓
Performance	Second best	best	Third best

Bayesian searches in a nutshell

	GP	SMAC	TPE	Random
Approximate	$f(x)$	$f(x)$	hyperparam distribution	-
Surrogate	Gaussian processes	Random Forests	Density kernels (tree parzen estimators)	-
Hyperparam interaction	✓	✓	✗	✓
Speed	Less fast	Fast	fast	-
Implementation	Scikit-Optimize	Scikit-Optimize	Hyperopt, Optuna	Sklearn, Hyperopt , Optuna , others
Nested spaces	✗	✗	✓	✓
Performance	Second best	Best	Third best	Best*

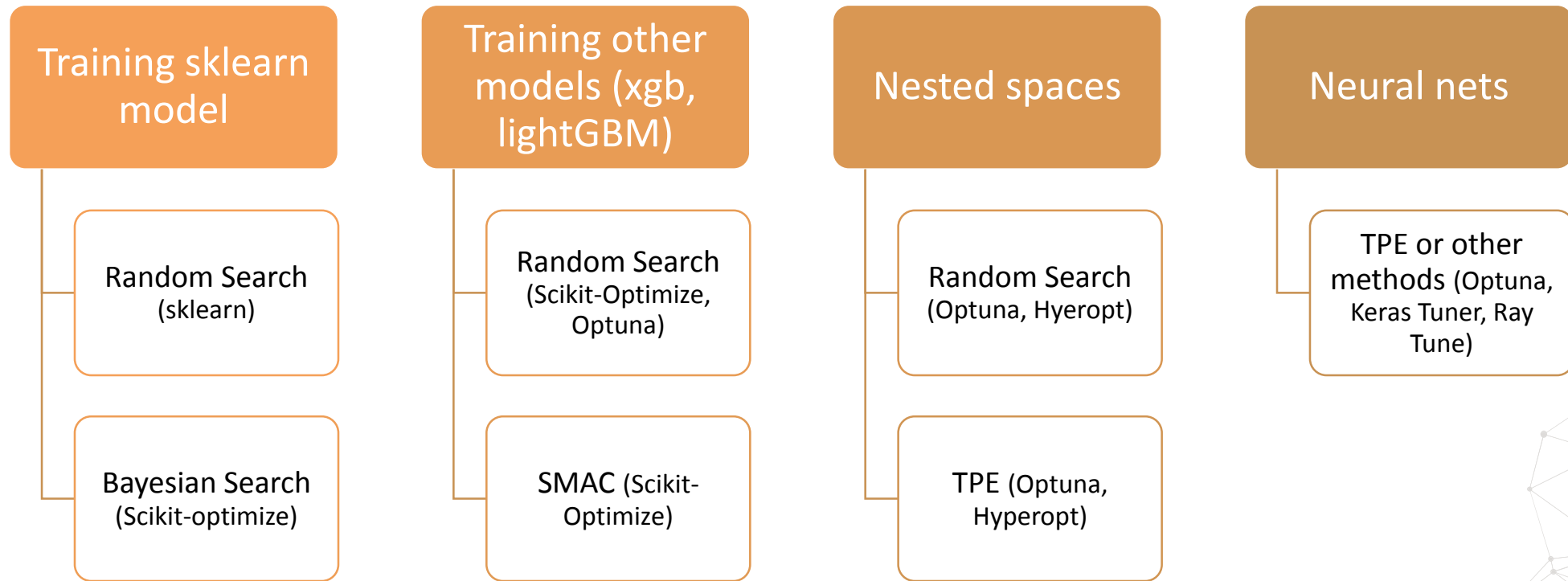
* If allowed sufficient iterations

Bayesian searches in a nutshell

Experiment	#evals	SMAC		Spearmint		TPE	
		Valid.Error	Best Value	Valid.Error	Best Value	Valid.Error	Best Value
branin (0.398)	200	0.427 ± 0.019	0.400	0.398 ± 0.000	0.398	0.510 ± 0.077	0.406
har6 (-3.32237)	200	-2.960 ± 0.200	-3.165	-2.623 ± 1.026	-3.322	-2.920 ± 0.164	-3.115
Log.Reggression	100	0.086 ± 0.006	0.077	0.073 ± 0.001	0.070	0.082 ± 0.003	0.75
Log.Reggression 5CV	100	0.081 ± 0.003	0.078	0.083 ± 0.001	0.080	0.089 ± 0.007	0.081
LDA ongrid	50	1269.6 ± 2.9	1266.2	1272.6 ± 10.2	1266.2	1271.5 ± 3.5	1266.2
SVM ongrid	100	0.241 ± 0.001	0.241	0.246 ± 0.009	0.241	0.241 ± 0.000	0.241
HP-NNET convex	100	$0.19 \pm 0.014^{(8)}$	0.175	$0.209 \pm 0.003^{(6)}$	0.020	$0.202 \pm 0.011^{(9)}$	0.179
HP-NNET convex 5CV	50	$0.208 \pm 0.010^{(4)}$	0.198	$0.230 \pm 0.015^{(2)}$	0.215	$0.210 \pm 0.012^{(4)}$	0.189
HP-NNET MRBI	100	$0.527 \pm 0.019^{(8)}$	0.504	$0.501 \pm 0.032^{(5)}$	0.467	0.503 ± 0.021	0.478
HP-NNET MRBI 5CV	50	$0.512 \pm 0.032^{(4)}$	0.478	$0.497 \pm 0.020^{(3)}$	0.476	$0.518 \pm 0.000^{(1)}$	0.518
HP-DBNET convex	200	$0.159^{(1)}$		$0.138^{(1)}$		$0.135^{(1)}$	
Auto-WEKA ²	30h	0.221		N/A		0.255	

Taken from Eggenberger et al, 2013

Which method should I use?



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