

Multi-objective optimization

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Single-objective optimization

- An optimization problem involves **only one objective function**, the task of finding the optimal solution.
- Global optimum / Local optimum
- Ex) Find out a CAR with **minimum cost**

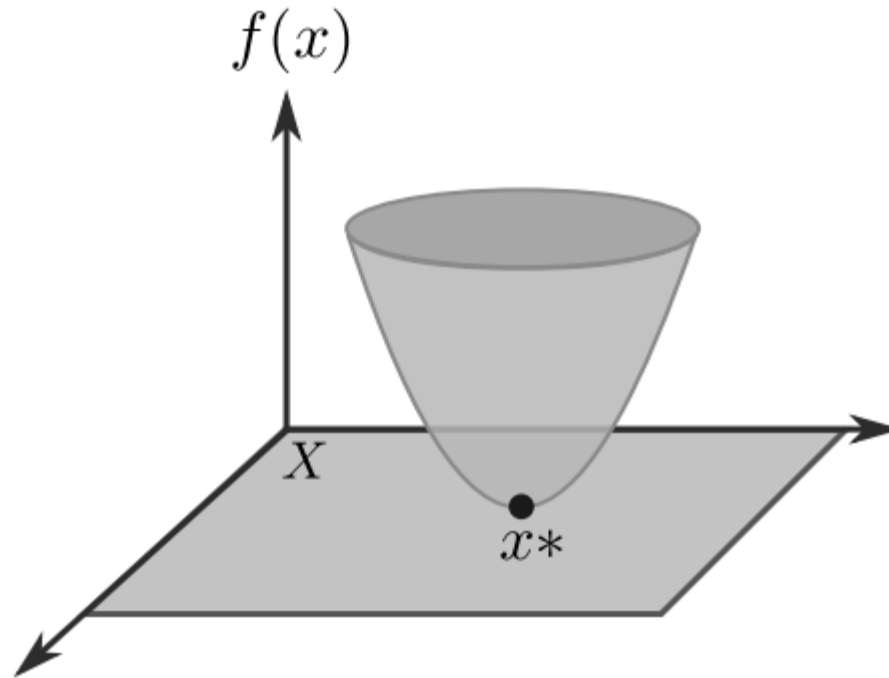


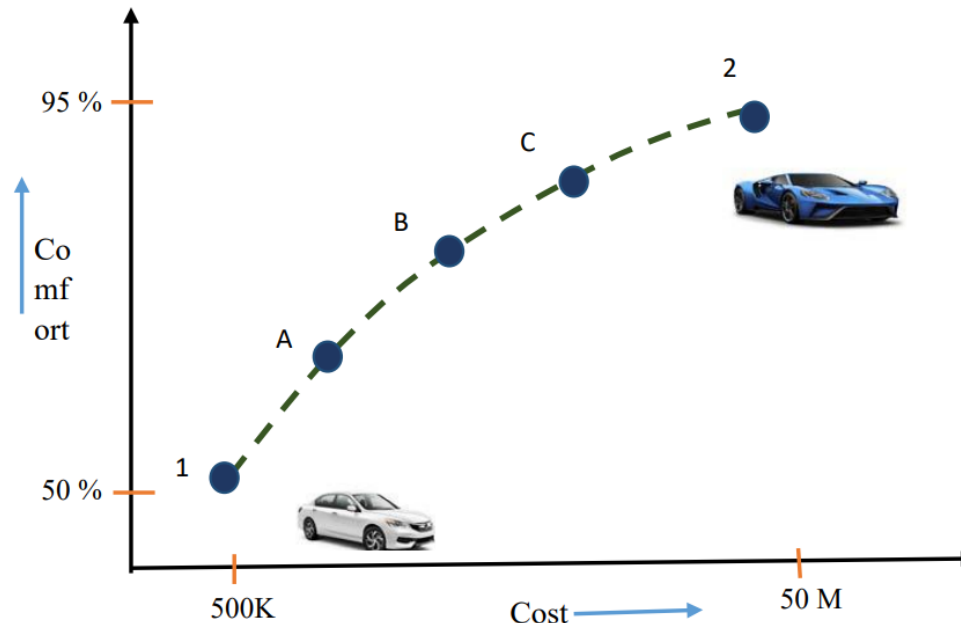
Figure 1: Single-objective optimization problem.

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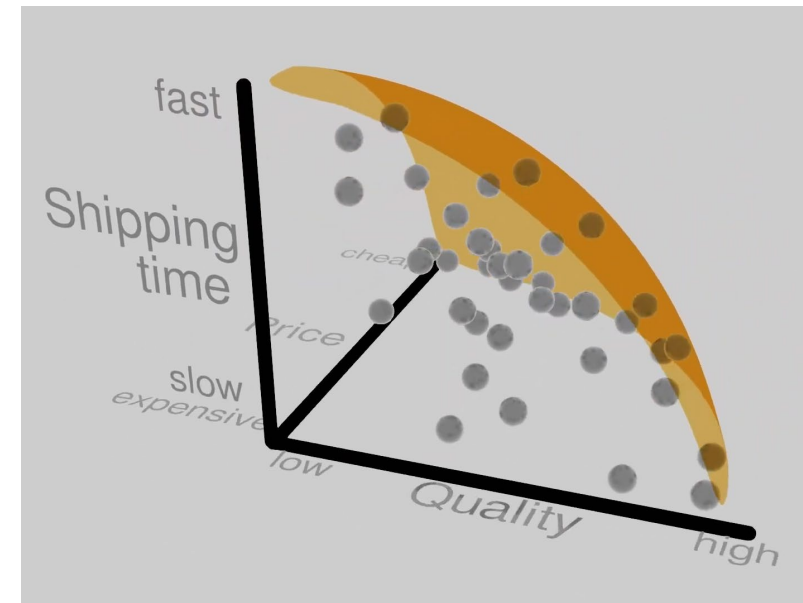
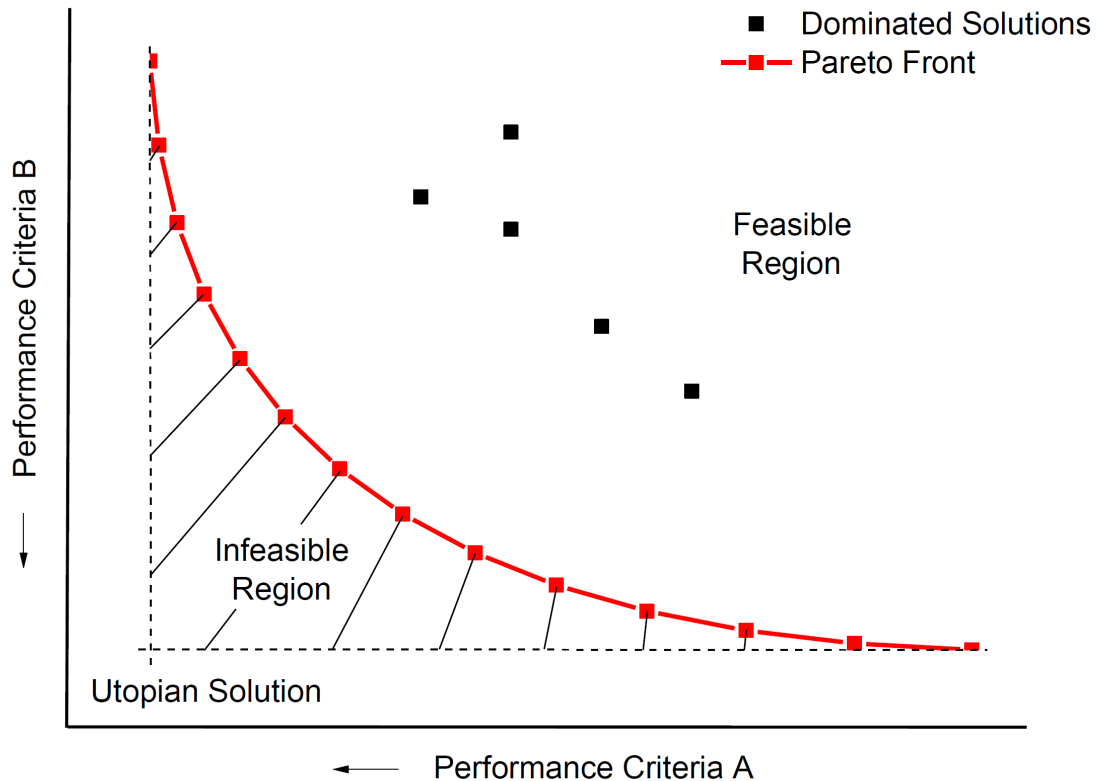
Multi-objective optimization(Pareto optimization)

- Multiple criteria decision making involving **more than one objective function** to be optimized simultaneously
- optimal decisions need to be taken in the presence of **trade-offs between two or more conflicting objectives**
- Does not typically exist **one** feasible solution that minimizes all objective functions simultaneously
- Ex) Find out a CAR with minimum cost **AND** maximum comfort



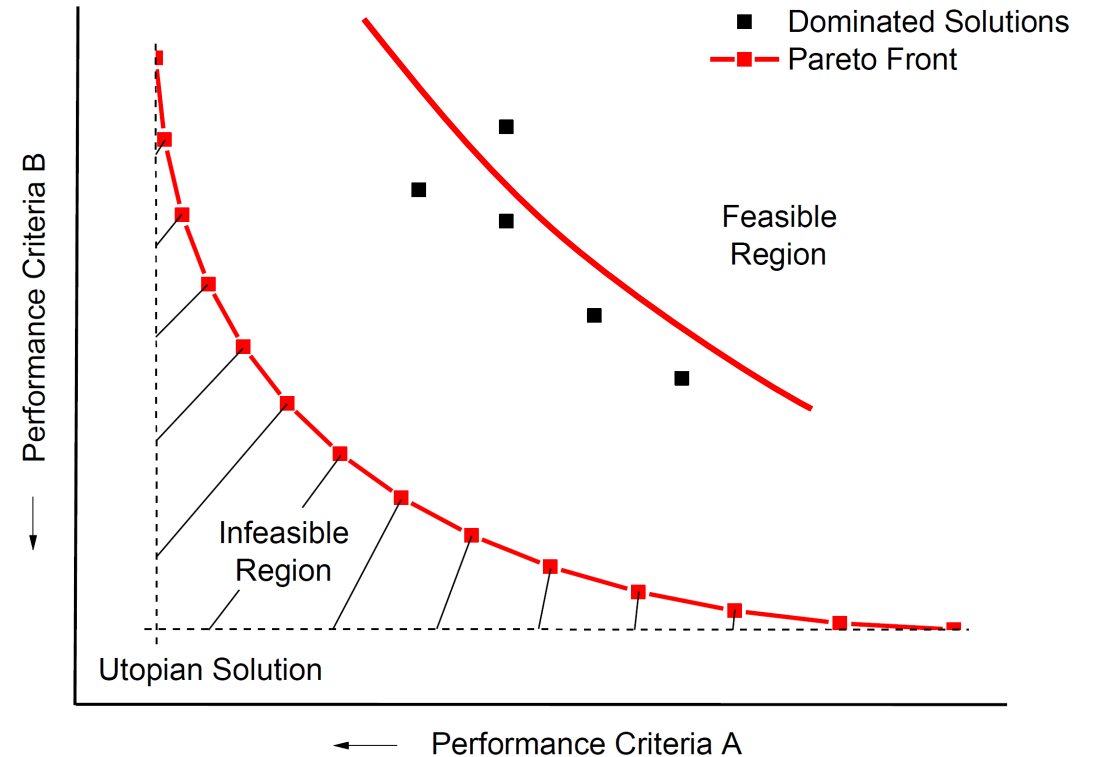
Multi-objective optimization(Pareto optimization)

- Pareto optimal / Pareto frontier:
Solutions that cannot be improved in any of the objectives **without** degrading **at least one** of the other objectives
- Feasible / Infeasible region



Multi-objective optimization(Pareto optimization)

- Pareto optimal / Pareto frontier
- Dominate / Non-dominate
- x_1 is said to **dominate** x_2 if,
 1. $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, f_i(x_1) \leq f_i(x_2)$, and
 2. $\exists i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, f_i(x_1) < f_i(x_2)$.
- Pareto frontier is composed of non-dominated points (frontier 0)
- Complexity is $O(N^3M)$ in Genetic Algorithm (M is the number of objective)



Multi-objective optimization(Pareto optimization)

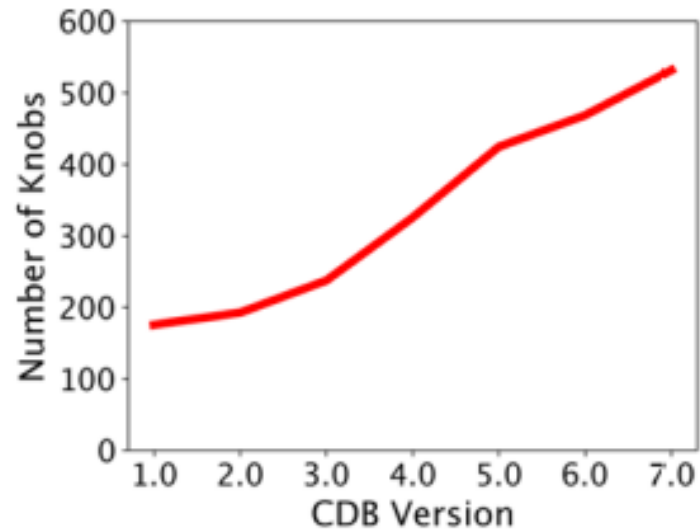
- Simple Example: Divide the **Pareto frontier** using the table below. (The smaller the Criteria, the better)

1. $\forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, f_i(x_1) \leq f_i(x_2)$, and
2. $\exists i \in \{1, \dots, k\}, f_i(x_1) < f_i(x_2)$.

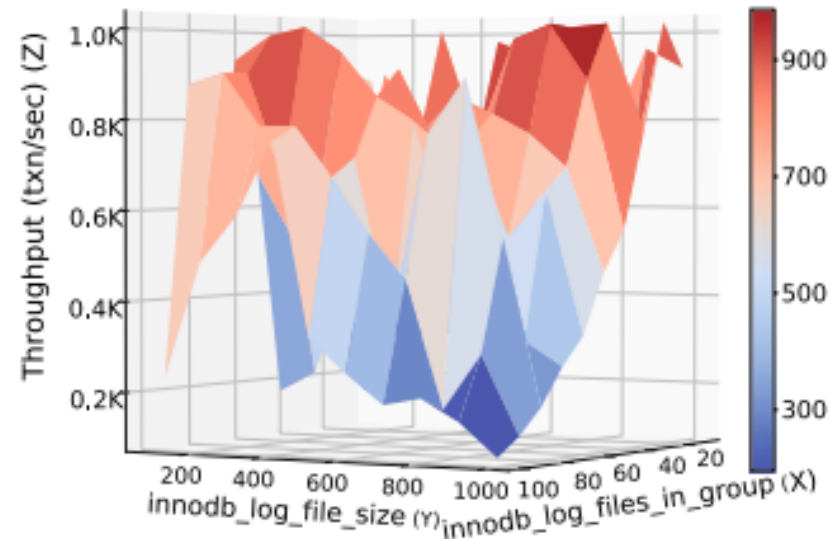
Product	Criteria 1	Criteria 2
A	3	7
B	6	5
C	8	7
D	10	11

Multi-objective optimization in Database Optimization

- **Trade-offs** in performance indicators
- More than one indicators to tune in database
- Ex) Throughput / latency, "WAF, SA, RATE, TIME" in RocksDB



(c) Knobs Increase



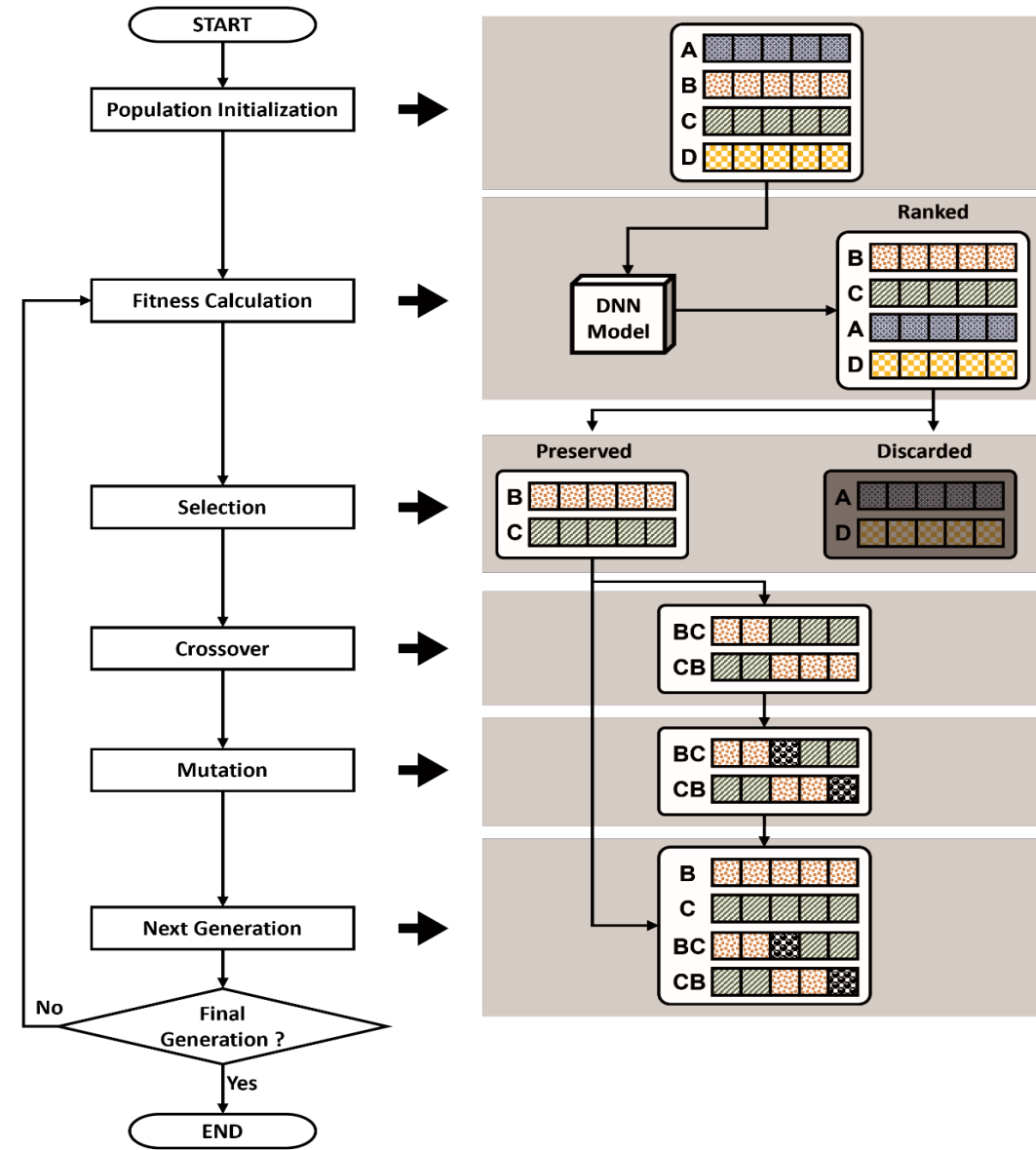
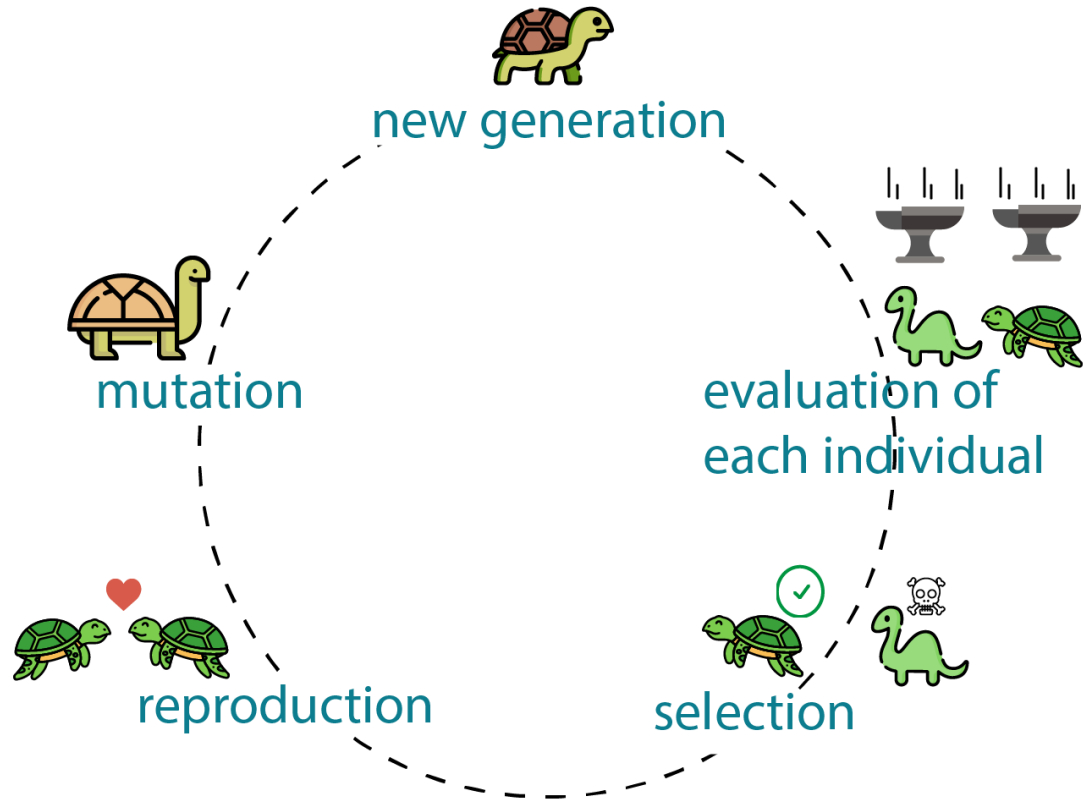
(d) Performance surface

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Genetic Algorithm

- Use a **DNN model** for performance prediction
- Use a **score function** to find an integrated indicator for 4 performance indicators(WAF, SA, RATE, TIME).



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Q & A

Thanks!