

How Many Designs Are There and Where Are They?

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- Design spaces
- Design space (D) $\leftarrow$ representation
 $(\neg)$ X transformation (G)
- $D = G(\neg)$
- What representations can there be?
- What transformations can there be?

Where are all the designs?

- Are they in $\neg$?
[embedded vs disparate]
- Are they in G ?
[homogeneous vs inhomogeneous]
- Are they in $D = G(\neg)$?
[possible emergence in D]

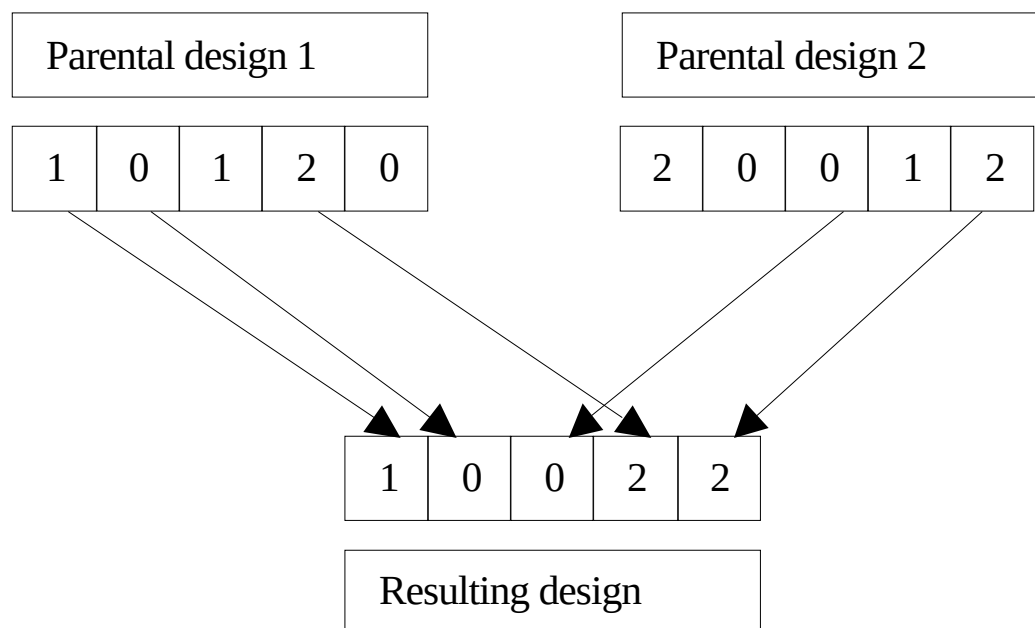
The goal is to construct such computational operators that are able to use input points in a current design space and to generate output points in a superspace - an expanded design space that encompasses the current design space

Design transformation processes

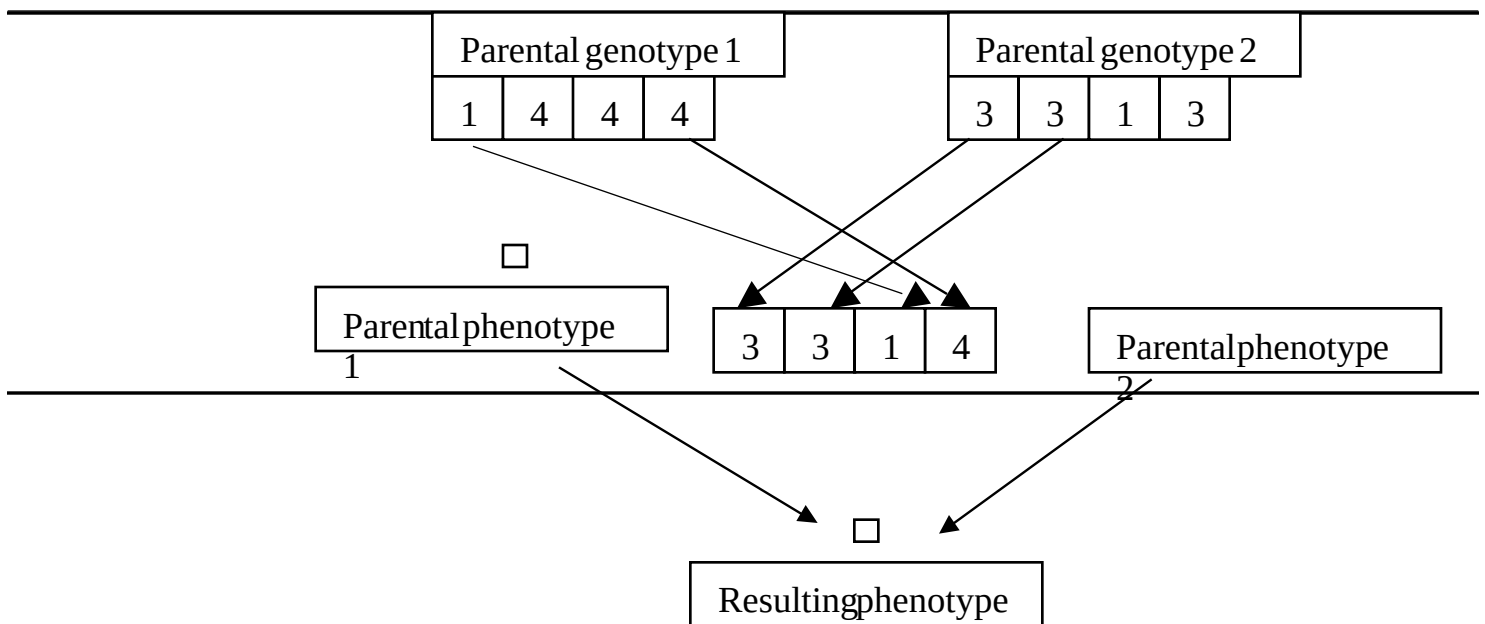
All replacement transformations

- **combination**
- **mutation**
- **analogy**
- **first principles**
- **emergence**

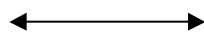
Genetic crossover as combination operator



Transformation = Genetic crossover for homomorphic genotype and phenotype spaces



Genotypic interpolation



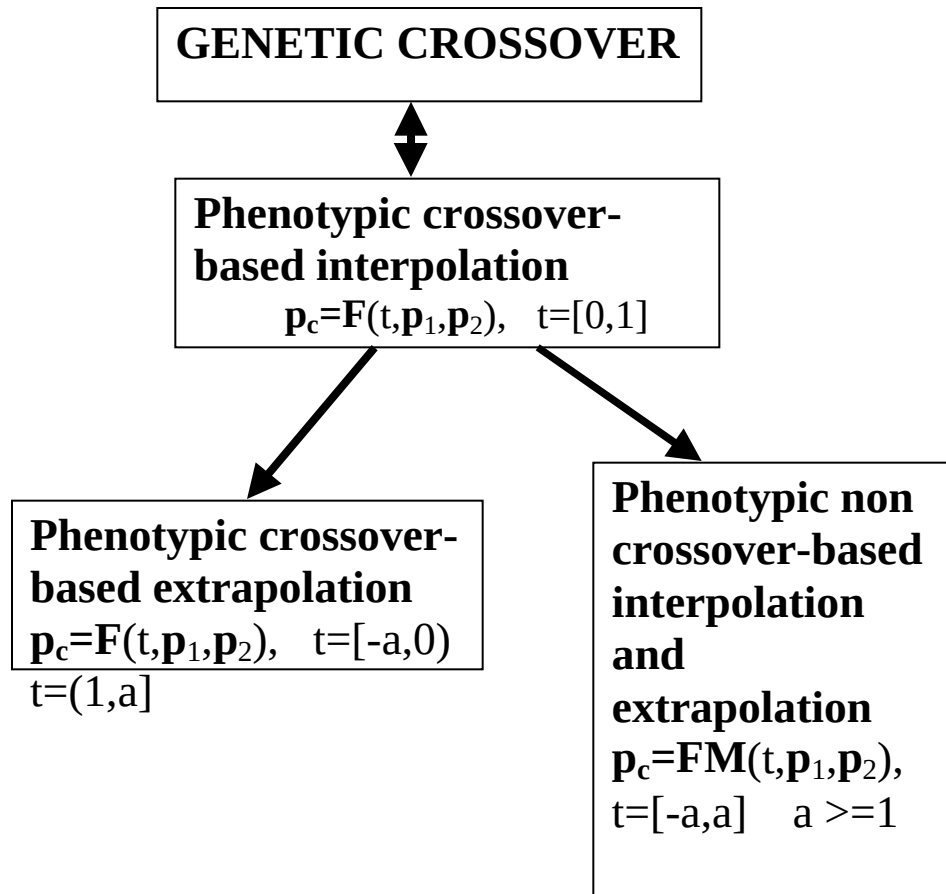
Phenotypic interpolation

- $C(g_1, g_2) \in g_c$
- $g_c(t) = f(t)g_1 + (1-f(t))g_2$
- $g_c(t) = c_1(t)g_1 + c_2(n-t)g_2$,
- $g_c(t) = FG(t, g_1, g_2)$
 $FG(0, g_1, g_2) = g_1$
 $FG(1, g_1, g_2) = g_2$
- $C(p_1, p_2) \in p_c$
- $p_c(t) = f^c(t)p_1 + q^c(n-t)p_2$
- $p_c(t) = \underline{f}(t)p_1 + \underline{q}(n-t)p_2$
- $p_c(t) = F(t, p_1, p_2)$
 $F(0, p_1, p_2) = p_1$
 $F(1, p_1, p_2) = p_2$

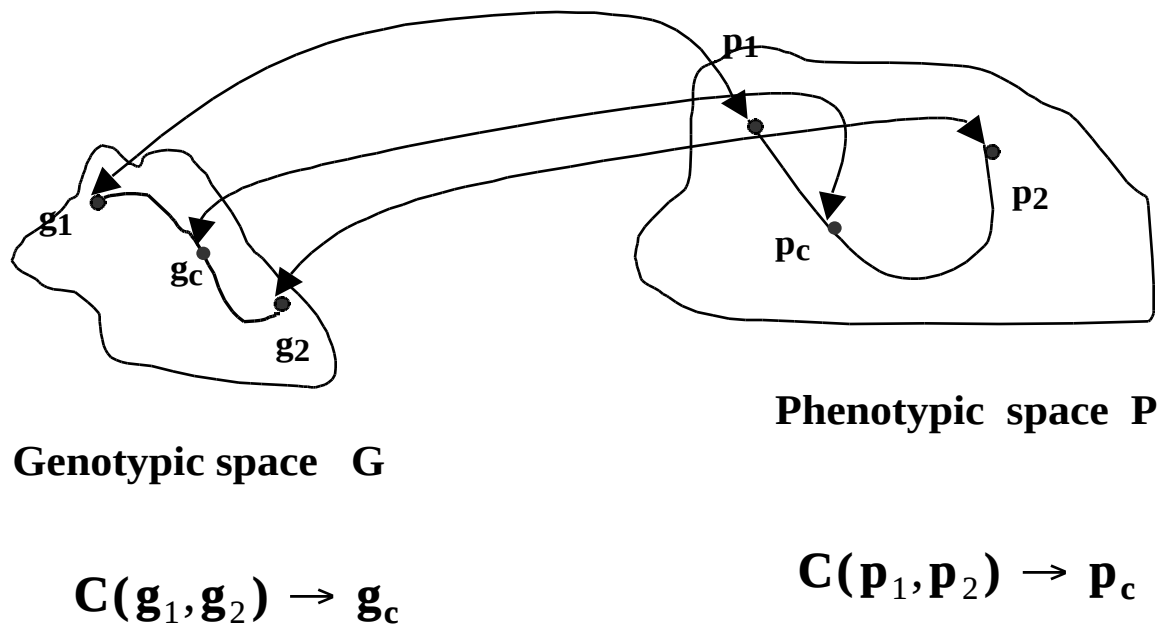
GA's crossover is equivalent to the random sampling of a particular case of phenotype-phenotype interpolation

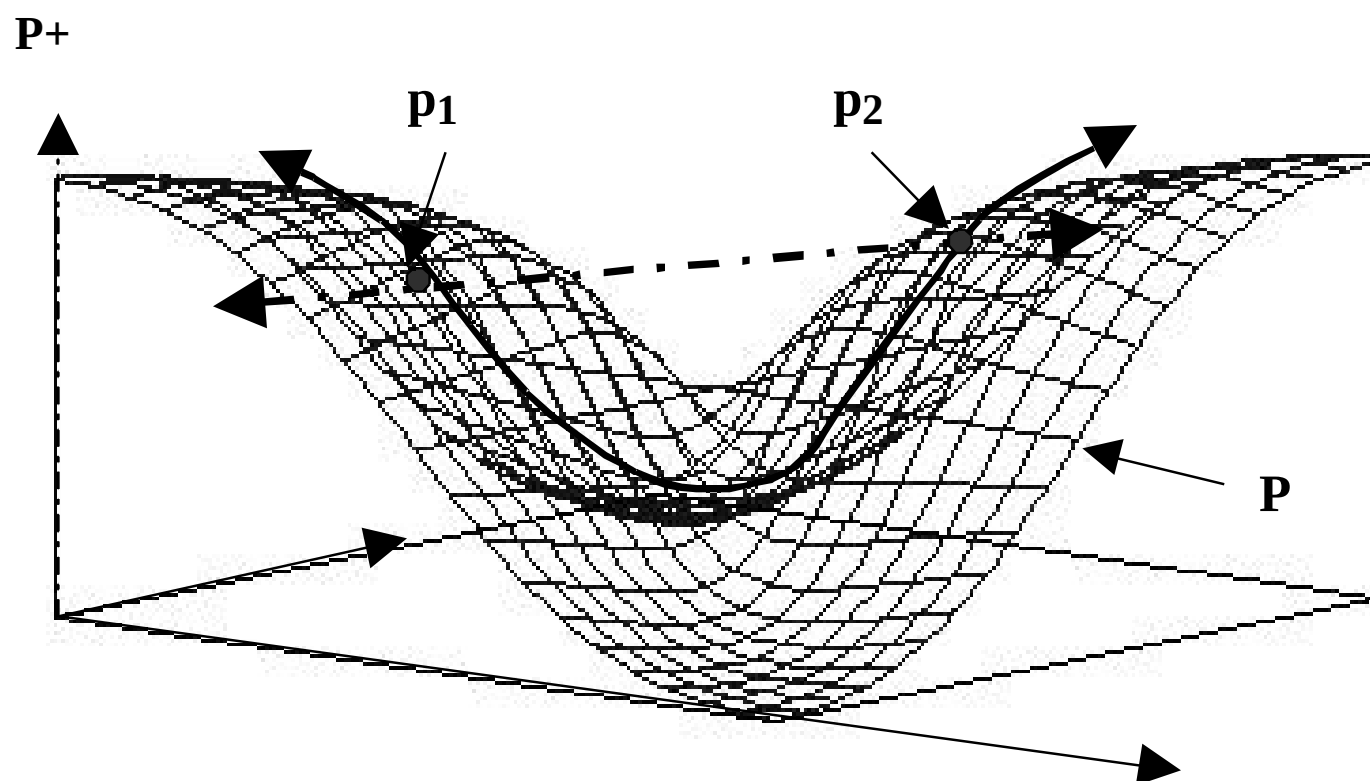
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{t} &= [\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}] & p_c &= \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{t}, p_1, p_2), \\ & & \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{0}, p_1, p_2) &= p_1 \\ & & \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{1}, p_1, p_2) &= p_2 \end{aligned}$$

Possible generalizations



Crossover as an interpolation

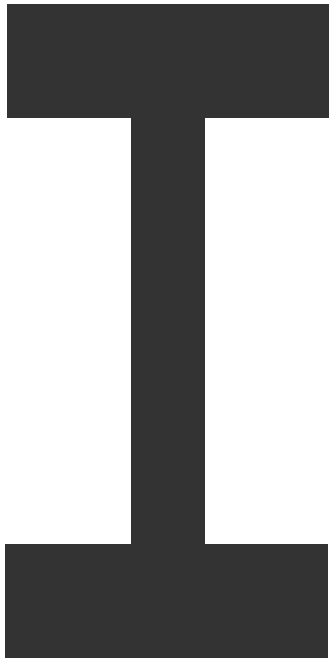




Example

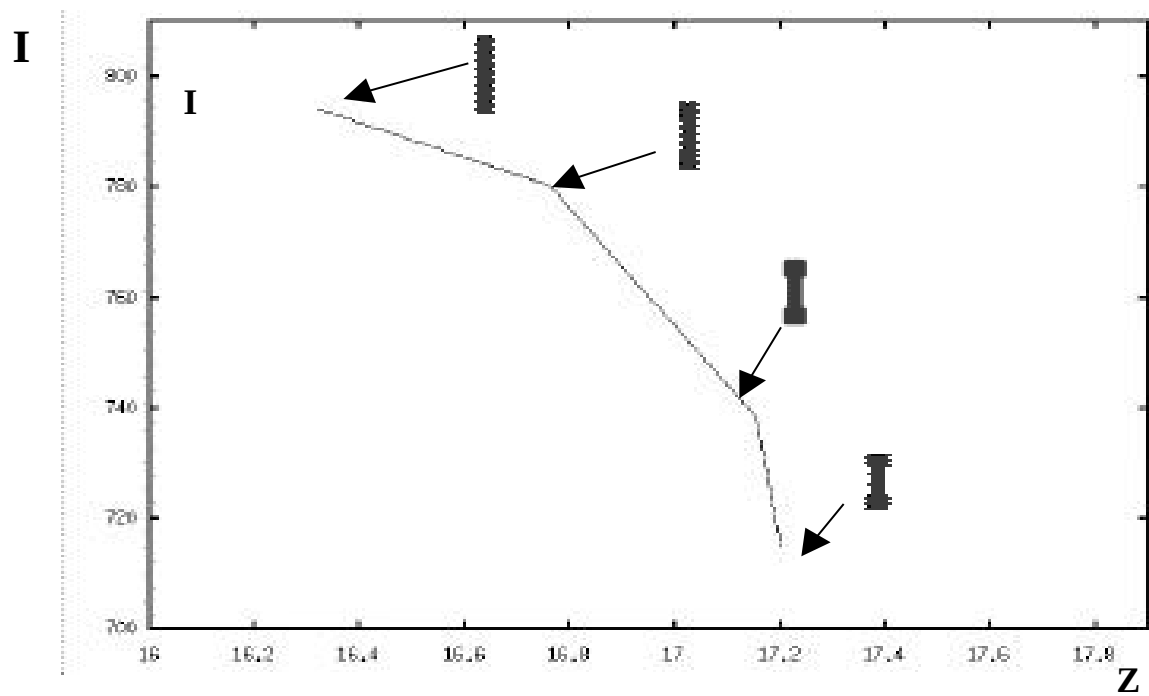
- Design space of 2-D shapes
- Functional representation
$$F(x) \geq 0, \quad x \text{ belong to shape } S$$
$$F(x) < 0, \quad x \text{ outside of } S$$
- Phenotype-phenotype interpolation
$$F_c(t, x') = t v(x') F_1(x') + (1-t) w(x') F_2(x'),$$
$$x'(t, x): D \rightarrow D, \quad t \in [0, 1]$$

Designing a beam

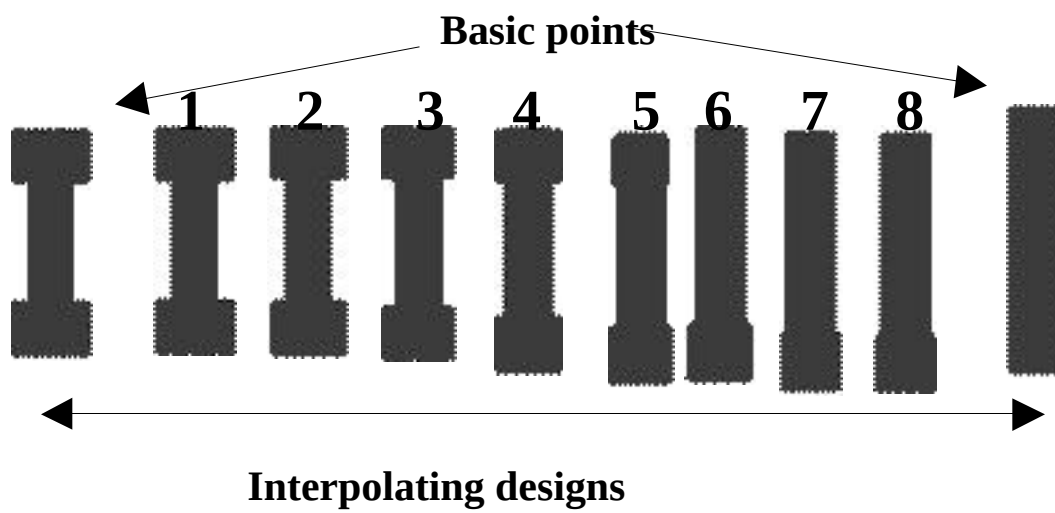


- $\text{FITNESS}=(I,Z)$
- I is the moment of inertia
- Z is the section modulus

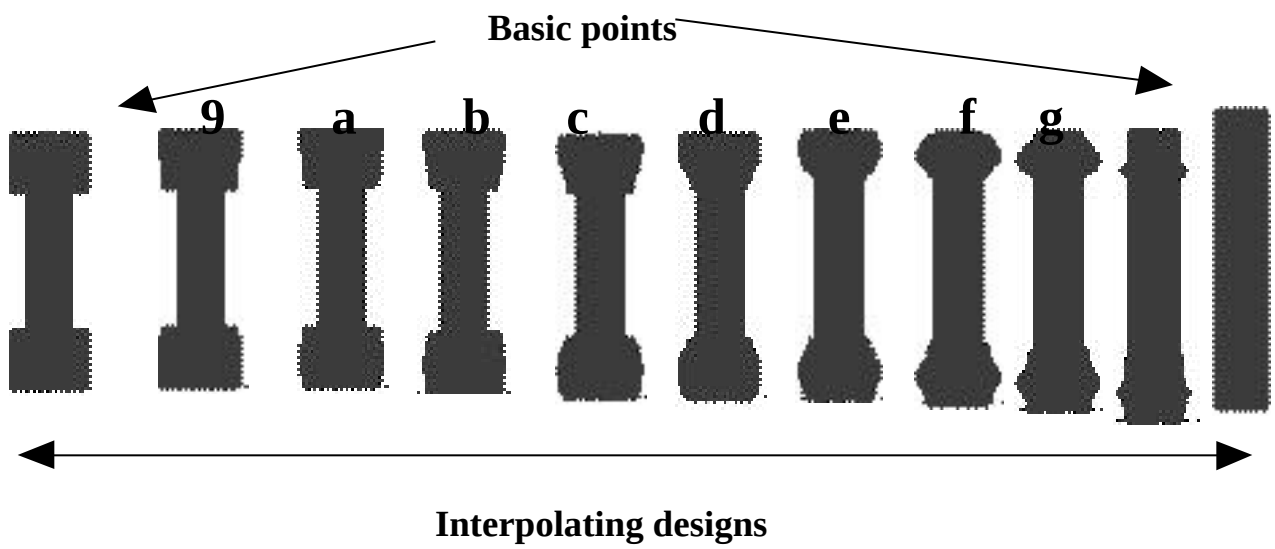
Pareto optimal set from standard GA



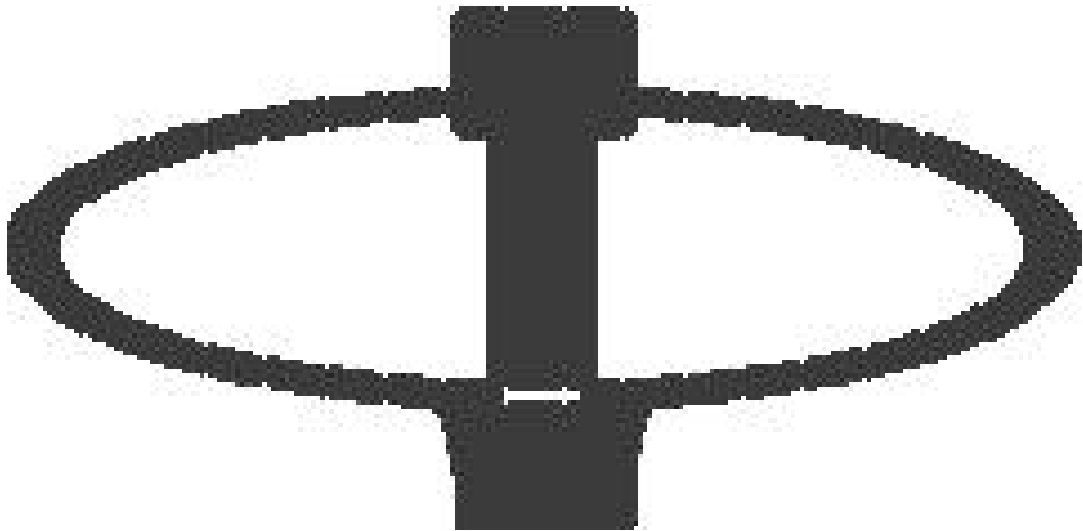
Linear interpolation



Non-linear interpolation

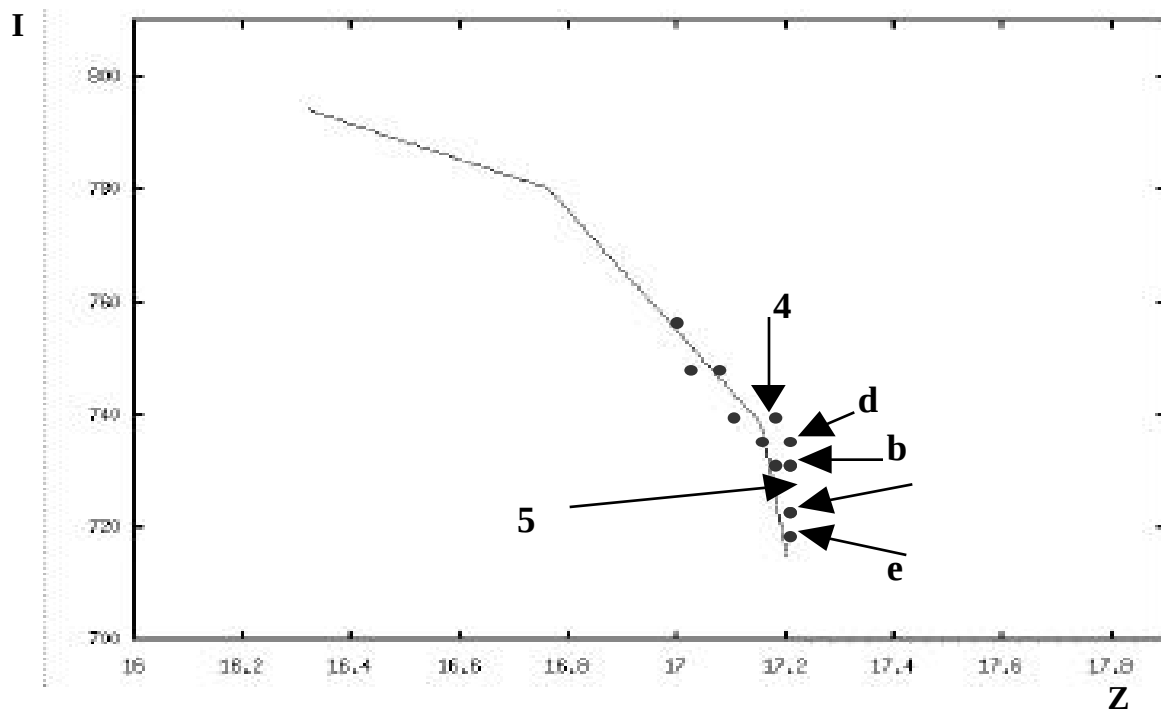


Unexpected design from a nonlinear interpolation



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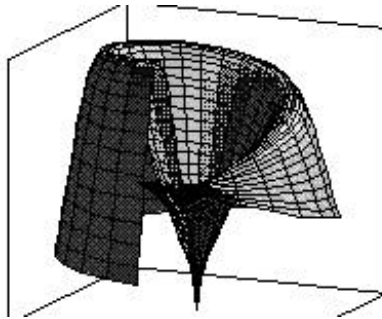
Pareto optimal set and interpolations



Interpolation

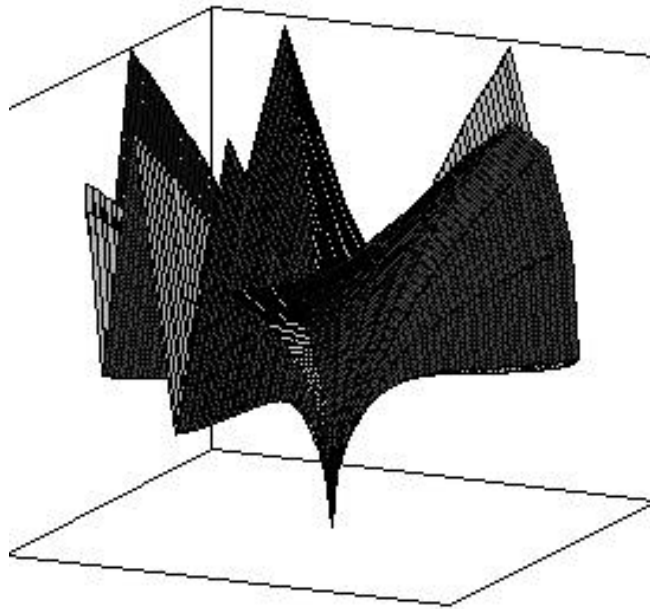


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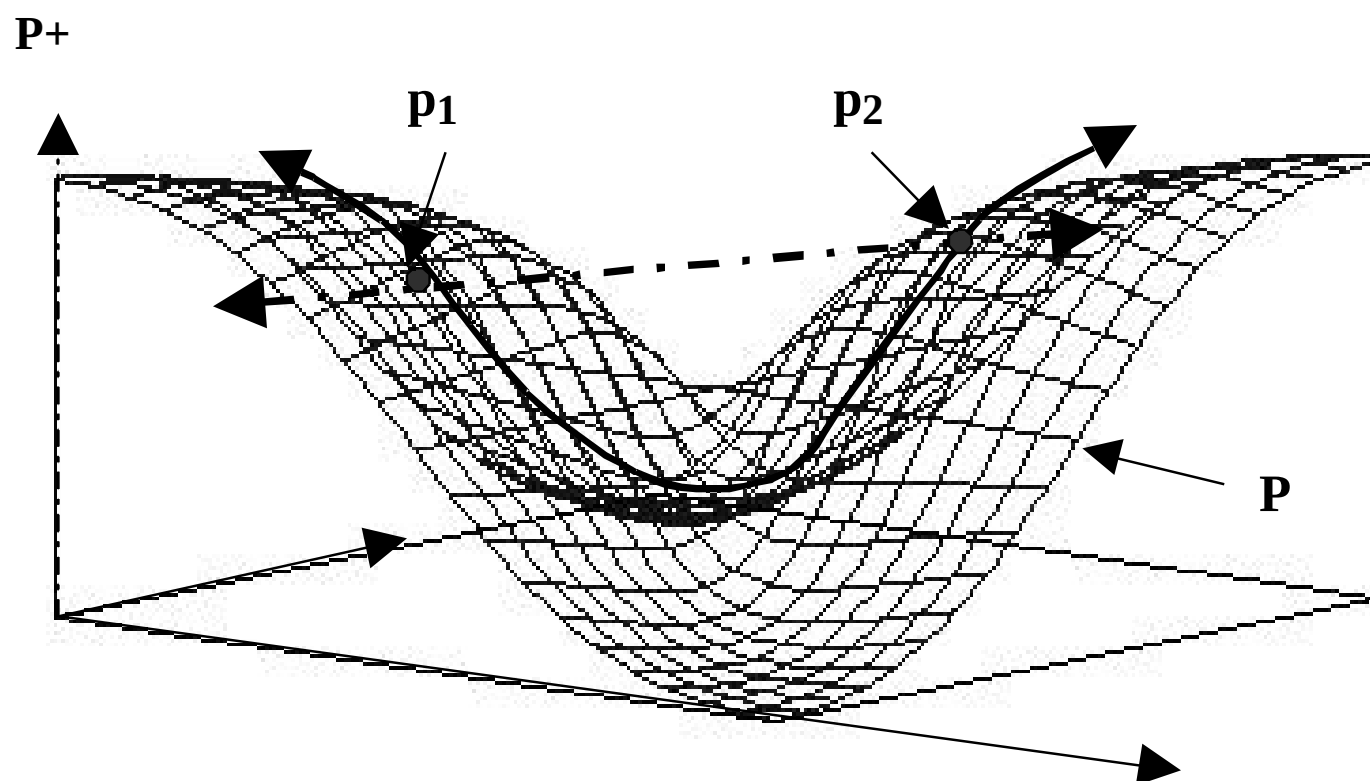


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Extrapolation



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Combination is an exploration process, ie generates new design spaces

Generalisation of genetic crossover produces unexpected results due to unexpected design spaces being generated

Rich area of study