# Genetic Algorithms 

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## A Working Example

Find $x$ that maximize the following function?


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```
def Decode(pop):
    return pop.dot(2 ** np.arange(CHROMOSOME_SIZE)[::-1])* X_MAX / float(2**CHROMOSOME_SIZE-1)
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## Reproduction

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def reproduction(pop, fitness): # nature selection wrt pop's fitness
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- A roulette wheel selection in just a single line.


## Crossover

```
def crossover(parent1, parent2): # mating process (genes crossover)
    if np.random.rand() < CROSS_RATE:
        cross_over_site = np.random.randint(0, CHROMOSOME_SIZE) # choose crossover site
        child1 = np.concatenate((parent1[0:cross_over_site],parent2[cross_over_site:]))
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## Mutation

```
def mutate(child):
    for point in range(CHROMOSOME_SIZE):
        if np.random.rand() < MUTATION_RATE:
                        child[point] = 1 - child[point]
    return child
```

- Each bit can be mutated (i.e., flipped) with probability MUTATION_RATE
- Single point crossover.
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## Main Loop

- Below is the main operations done by a simple GA
- Mating the first have of the population with the second half.

```
pop = reproduction(pop, fitness)
pop = np.random.permutation(pop)
i = 0
while i< len(pop)//2 :
    parent1 = pop[i]
    parent2 = pop[-(i+1)]
    child1, child2 = crossover(parent1, parent2)
    child1 = mutate(child1)
    child2 = mutate(child2)
    pop[i] = child1
    pop[-i] = child2
    i+=1
```


## References

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## Questions

