

**Title :**

Evolutionary Computation for Machine Learning and Data Mining

**Abstract:**

Evolutionary computation technique has been widely used for addressing various challenging problems due to its powerful global search ability. There are many complex optimization tasks in the fields of machine learning and data mining such as feature selection, neural architecture search, hyper-parameter search, etc. This workshop aims to collect original papers that develop new evolutionary computation techniques to address any kind of machine learning and data mining tasks. For all the aforementioned, we kindly invite the scientific community to contribute to this workshop by submitting novel and original research related but not limited to the following topics:

**Scope and Topics:**

Topics of interest include but are not limited to:

- ✧ Numerical optimization/Combination optimization/ Multi-objective optimization
- ✧ Genetic algorithm/Genetic programming/Particle swarm optimization/Ant colony optimization/Artificial bee colony/Differential evolution/Fireworks algorithm/Brain storm optimization
- ✧ Classification/clustering/regression
- ✧ Machine learning/Data mining/Neural network/Deep learning/Support vector machine/Decision tree/Deep neural network/Convolutional neural network/Reinforcement learning/Ensemble learning/K-means
- ✧ Neural architecture search
- ✧ Full-space neural architecture search
- ✧ Automatic machine learning
- ✧ Feature selection, extraction, and dimensionality reduction on high-dimensional and large-scale data
- ✧ Evolutionary feature selection and construction
- ✧ Multi-objective feature selection/Multi-object classification/ Multi-object clustering
- ✧ Hybridization of evolutionary computation and neural networks, fuzzy systems
- ✧ Hybridization of evolutionary computation and cost-sensitive classification/clustering
- ✧ Hybridization of evolutionary computation and class-imbalance classification/clustering
- ✧ Evolutionary neural networks
- ✧ Hyper-parameter tuning with evolutionary computation
- ✧ Evolutionary transfer learning
- ✧ Evolutionary computation for deep neural networks
- ✧ Evolutionary computation in deep learning for regression/clustering/classification
- ✧ Evolutionary computation for hyper-parameter optimization,



- ✧ Evolutionary computation for neural architecture search
- ✧ Evolutionary computation for automatic machine learning
- ✧ Evolutionary computation for deep neural network
- ✧ Real-world applications of evolutionary computation and machine learning, e.g. images and video sequences/analysis, face recognition, gene analysis, biomarker detection, medical data analysis, text mining, intrusion detection systems, vehicle routing, computer vision, natural language processing, speech recognition, etc.

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