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Problem Set 9: Learning and Evolution

Problem 1

What are the advantages and disadvantages of using evolution in design? What are the advantages and disadvantages of using learning and genetic algorithms in the control of machines?

Problem 2 (Extra: Philosophy)

- **2.1** Use evolution as an argument against the existence of a conscious god.
- 2.2 Use evolution as an argument for the existence of a conscious god.