# **Special Issue**

# Symmetry/Asymmetry in Evolutionary Computation and Machine Learning

## Message from the Guest Editors

- Evolutionary computation (EC), a family of algorithms inspired by biological evolution for global optimization, has been developed for a few decades. Machine learning (ML) is one of the most engaging research and application areas within computer science today. Its ability to find patterns, clusters, and hidden knowledge from data has allowed us to understand, model, and predict the behaviors of complex systems. Nowadays, symmetry and asymmetry play important roles in various aspects of EC and ML. These concepts can be applied to algorithm design, problem representation, and solution optimization.
- This Special Issue aims to explore the current impact, advances, and applications of symmetry/asymmetry in EC and ML. For either EC or ML, understanding and exploiting symmetry can lead to more efficient algorithms, while recognizing and addressing asymmetry is crucial for the robustness and generalization of algorithms or models.
- We invite submissions on recent advances in the theory and applications of evolutionary computation and machine learning that explore the role of symmetry and asymmetry.

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