## OPTIMAL DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME FOUND BY EVOLUTIONARY COMPUTATION

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## Motivation

Goal of society as a whole according to Utilitarianism of Jeremy Bentham (1748-1832) and John Stuart Mill (1806-1873):
"The greatest good for the greatest number"


## Reality

The greatest total good. Total production $W$ will be maximized

Capitalism:
The capital, in control of the decisions in production, will want to maximize total production since the profit is empirically always 5\% of production (Thomas Piketty); increasing production will increase profit.


Adam Smith


Thomas Piketty

## Axiom

A worker will be incentivated to work if he sees it pays off. When his neighbor below him earns less and above him earns more he will work harder and produce more.

The productivity of the worker $i$ is proportional to this 'derivative' in the income curve $p_{i}$.


Note:
a worker's salary is not assumed necessarily proportional to his productivity, because nobody cares about 'justice' of salary ...

## Method

Evolutionary computation / molecular dynamics:
We start with any distribution $\left(p_{i}\right)$, sort it, and calculate the production of the workers ( $w_{i}$ ) and the total production $W=\Sigma w_{i}$

We make a random tiny change in the distribution $p_{i}$ and sort it. Calculate $W$ and if it is bigger, we keep this distribution (because the capital likes it)

Repeat until it stabilizes

## 'Communism’

If we start with a 'communist' income distribution of 100 people, $p_{i}=1$ (euro) for all $i$, the derivative is 0 and nobody works, $w_{i}=0$ (joule) for all $i$ and $W=\Sigma w_{i}=0$ (joule)

Total income: $P=\Sigma p_{i}=100 €$. Everybody gets a salary of $1 €$, nothing is produced and the wealth (buying power) of people is zero

To buy 1 joule of goods, a worker needs $\Sigma p_{i} / \Sigma w_{i}=P / W=\infty$ euro on the free market

$W=0$ joule
$P=100$ euro
Prices: $\infty € / \mathrm{J}$
Median income: $c_{50}=1 €=0 \mathrm{~J}$

## Redistribution

We take away $1 \%$ of the salary of 1 person and give it to another
People start working:


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\begin{aligned}
& w_{1}=p_{2}-p_{2}=1-0.99=0.01 \mathrm{~J} \\
& w_{2}=\left(p_{3}-p_{1}\right) / 2=0.005 \mathrm{~J} \\
& w_{99}=\left(p_{100}-p_{98}\right) / 2=0.005 \mathrm{~J} \\
& w_{100}=p_{100}-p_{99}=0.01 \mathrm{~J}
\end{aligned}
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W=0.03 \mathrm{~J}
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P=100 €
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Prices: 3333 €/joule
Median income $c_{50}=1 €=0.3 \mathrm{~mJ}$

## Final distribution


$p_{1}=0 €, w_{1}=5 \times 10^{-7} \mathrm{~J}$
$p_{50}=1.08 \times 10^{-7} €, w_{50}<5 \times 10^{-11} \mathrm{~J}$
$p_{99}=1.08 \times 10^{-7} €, w_{99}=49.999989 \mathrm{~J}$
$p_{100}=99.999989 €, w_{100}=99.999989 \mathrm{~J}$
$W=150 \mathrm{~J}$
$P=100$
Prices: $0.67 € / \mathrm{J}$
Average income. $1 €=1.5 \mathrm{~J}$
Median income: $c_{50}=1.08 \times 10^{-7} €=1.6 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{~J}$
'Top management': $c_{100}=150 \mathrm{~J}$
'Middle management': $c_{99}=c_{50}=1.08 \times 10^{-7} €=$ $1.6 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{~J}$
lower less
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## Conclusions

Simple model: production proportional to derivative in income curve
Result:

- 1\% (poor guys) works a little, gets nothing
- Most do absolutely nothing, get crumbs
- A couple of people at the top work a little. The top works hard.
- All income goes to the top $1 \%$


