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interaction among  
independent, self-  
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has grown dramatically  
in recent years, and now  
spans disciplines as  
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linguistics, sociology,  
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among others. What has  
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recent development  
arising from the  
intrinsic limitations of  
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based designs. In

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optimization, one attempts to find values for parameters that minimize suitably defined criteria—such as monetary cost, energy consumption, or heat

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