

# TUP input (instance) format

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This document describes the input format for TUP (Traveling Umpire Problem) instances as originally proposed by M.A. Trick and H. Yildiz. The input files for the instances contain three elements: number of teams, distance matrix, and tournament schedule.

## 1 Number of teams

The number of teams is described as follows:

`nTeams=N;`

Where  $N$  denotes the number of teams.

## 2 Distance matrix

The distance matrix is described as:

```
dist= [
[ 0   D12  D13 D14 ... D1N]
[ D21  0   D23 D24 ... D2N]
[ D31  D32  0   D34 ... D3N]
[ D41  D42  D43  0   ... D4N]
[ ...  ...  ...  ...  ... ...]
[ DN1  DN2  DN3 DN4 ...  0 ]
];
```

Where  $D_{ij}$  denotes the distance between team  $i$ 's home location and team  $j$ 's home location, with  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, N\}$ .

## 3 Tournament schedule

The tournament schedule is described as:

```
opponents=[
[ 011  012  013  014 ... 01N]
[ 021  022  023  024 ... 02N]
[ 031  032  033  034 ... 03N]
[ 041  042  043  044 ... 04N]
[ ...  ...  ...  ...  ... ...]
[ OR1  OR2  OR3  OR4 ... ORN]
];
```

Where  $Or_i$  denotes the opponent of team  $i$  in round  $r$ . With  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, N\}$ ,  $r \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, R\}$  and  $R = 2N - 2$ . A negative  $Or_i$  value means that the game is played at the opponent's home location.