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PS14: Distributed Mixed-Integer Programming (MIP) optimization with Cplex and Gurobi



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Latest versions available on Github:



UL HPC tutorials:

https://github.com/ULHPC/tutorials

UL HPC School:

http://hpc.uni.lu/hpc-school/

PS14 tutorial sources:

ulhpc-tutorials.rtfd.io/en/latest/maths/Cplex-Gurobi









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Main Objectives

- Usage of Cplex and Gurobi on the UL HPC Platform
 - \hookrightarrow sequentialy
 - → multithreaded
 - → multithreaded/distributed (hybrid)





CPLEX

- Optimization software for mathematical programming.
- Cplex optimizer can solve:
 - → Mixed-Integer programming problems (MIP)
 - $\hookrightarrow \ \, \text{Very large linear programming problems (LP)}$
 - \hookrightarrow Non-convex quadratic programming problems (QP)
 - → Convex quadratically constrained problems (QCP)





GUROBI

- Powerful optimization software, alternative to Cplex for solving.
- Additionnal features:
 - → Mixed-Integer Quadratic Programming (MIQP)
 - → Mixed-Integer Quadratic Constrained Programming (MIQCP)





On the UL HPC platform

- Both softwares can be loaded using the module command
- Both softwares can solve very large problems
- EXCEPT MIP => NP-hard => implicit tree search algorithms (Branch and Bound family)
- Branch and bound algorithms can be solved in parallel to speed up the optimisation:
 - \hookrightarrow For exact optimisation => limited instance size
 - \hookrightarrow For approximation wit guarantee can be really interesting (tuning the gap to optimality).





Tutorial

 Please go to https://ulhpc-tutorials.readthedocs.io/en/ latest/maths/Cplex-Gurobi/







Questions?

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