

08-global-convexity

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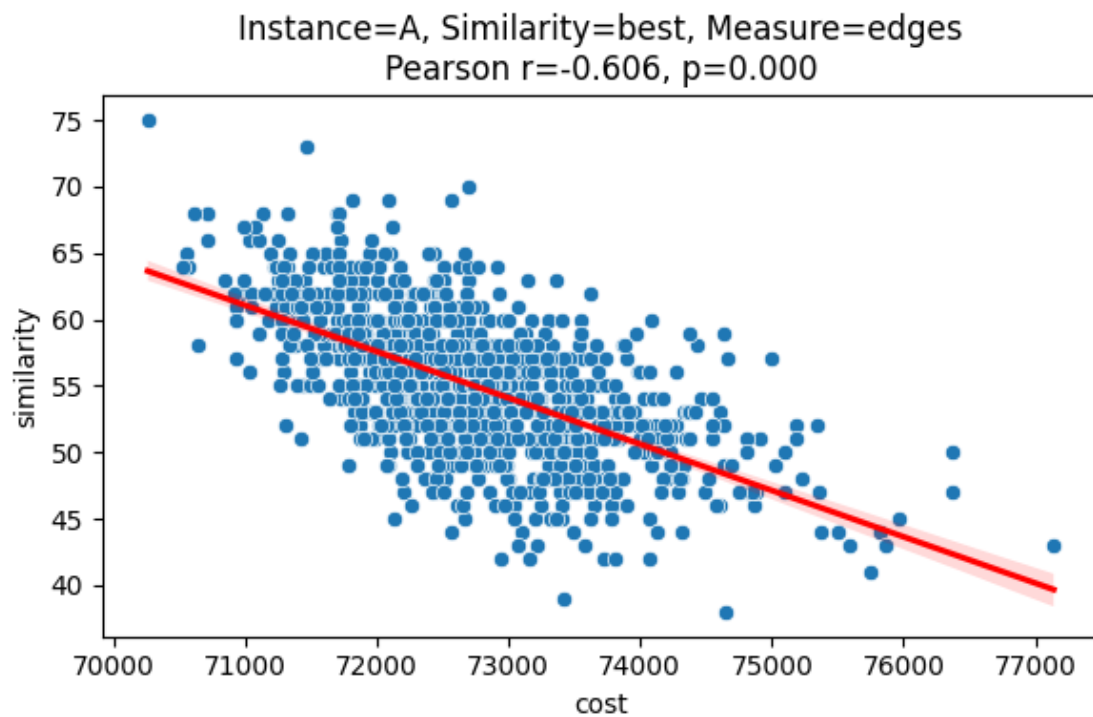
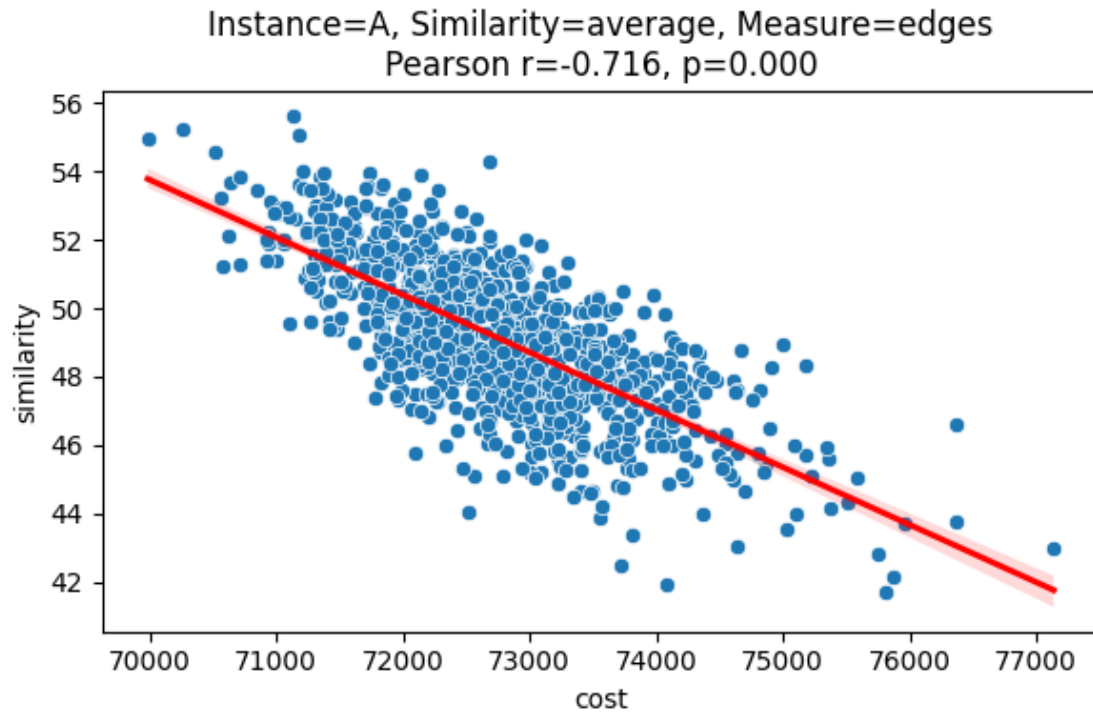
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1 Description of a problem

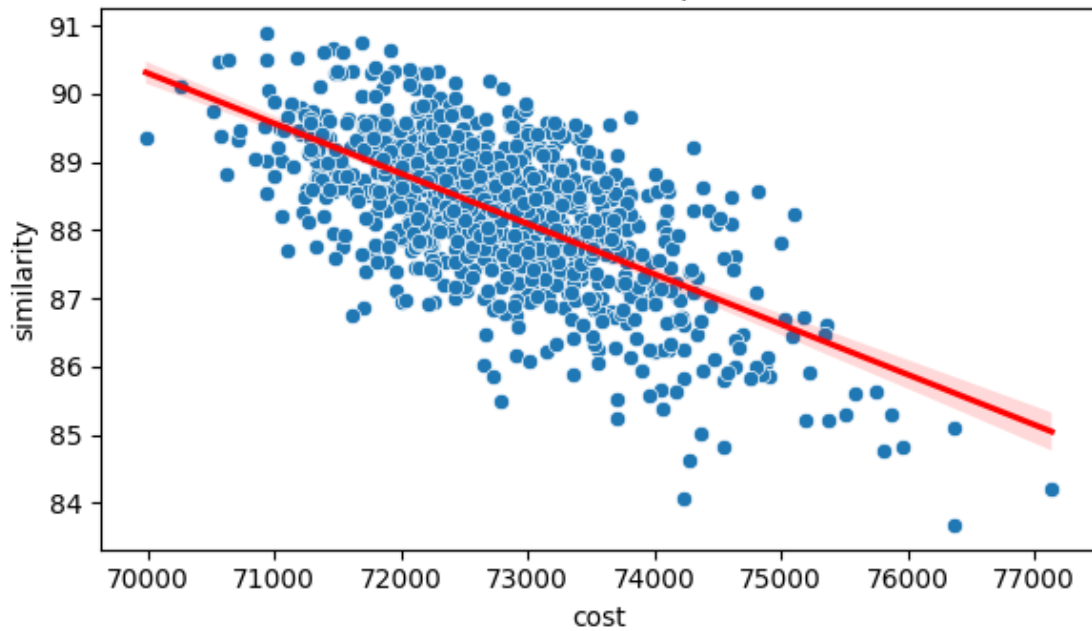
We are given three columns of integers with a row for each node. The first two columns contain x and y coordinates of the node positions in a plane. The third column contains node costs. The goal is to select exactly 50% of the nodes (if the number of nodes is odd we round the number of nodes to be selected up) and form a Hamiltonian cycle (closed path) through this set of nodes such that the sum of the total length of the path plus the total cost of the selected nodes is minimized.

The distances between nodes are calculated as Euclidean distances rounded mathematically to integer values. The distance matrix should be calculated just after reading an instance and then only the distance matrix (no nodes coordinates) should be accessed by optimization methods to allow instances defined only by distance matrices.

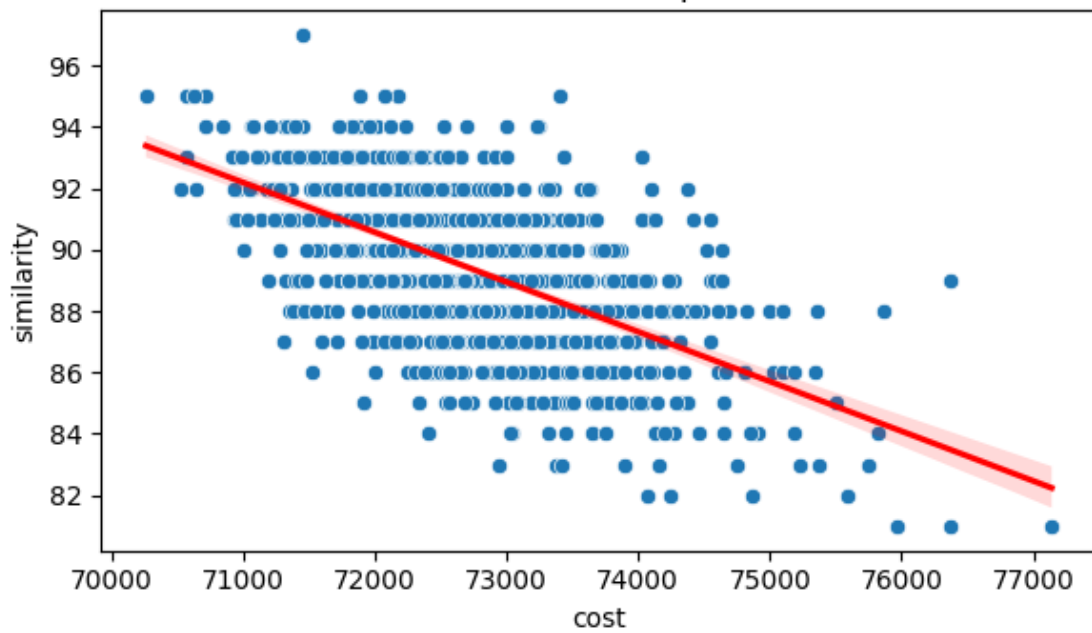
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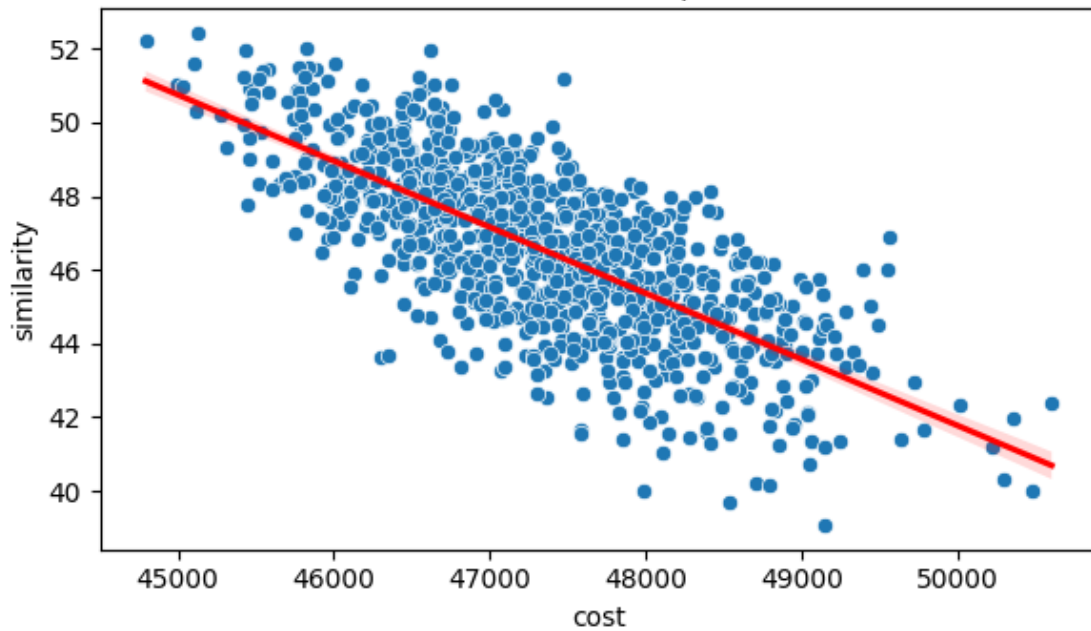
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Pearson $r=-0.643$, $p=0.000$



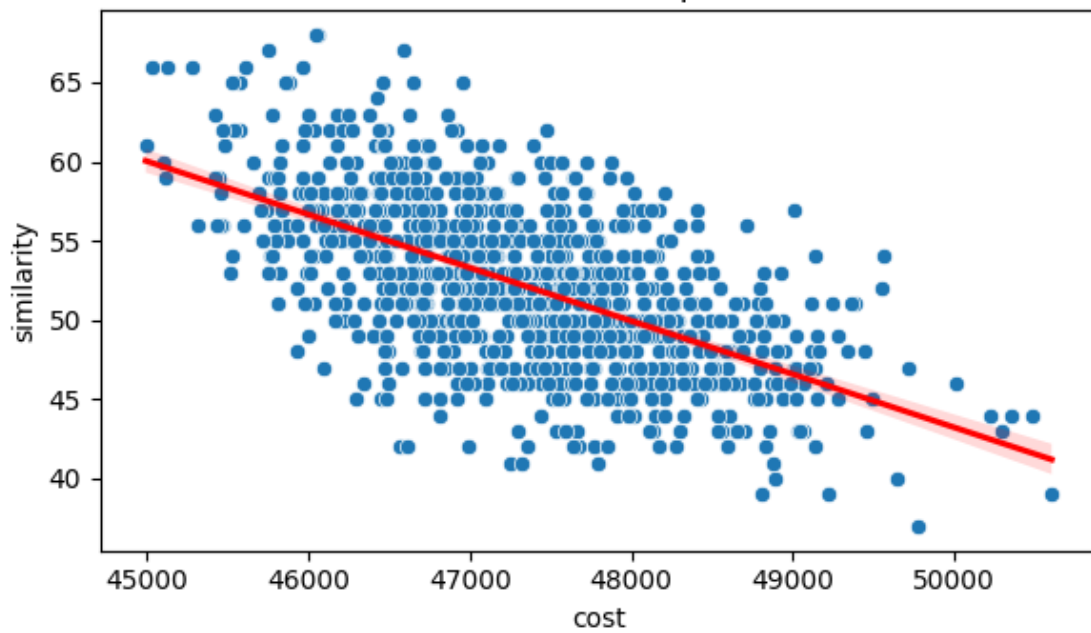
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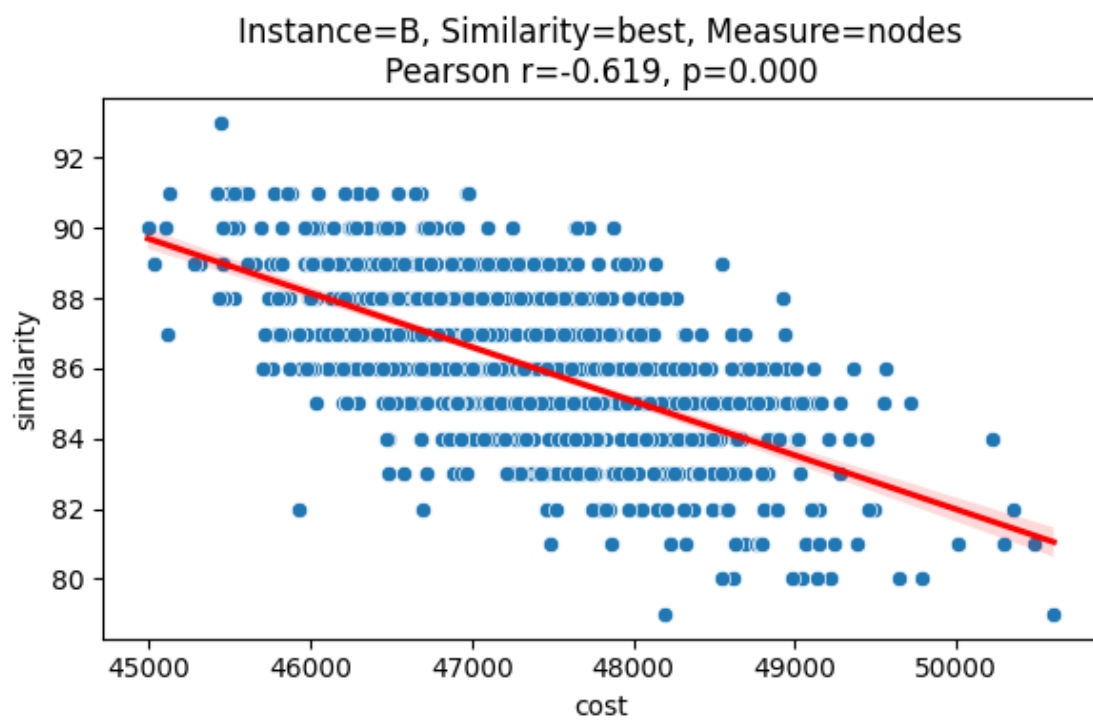
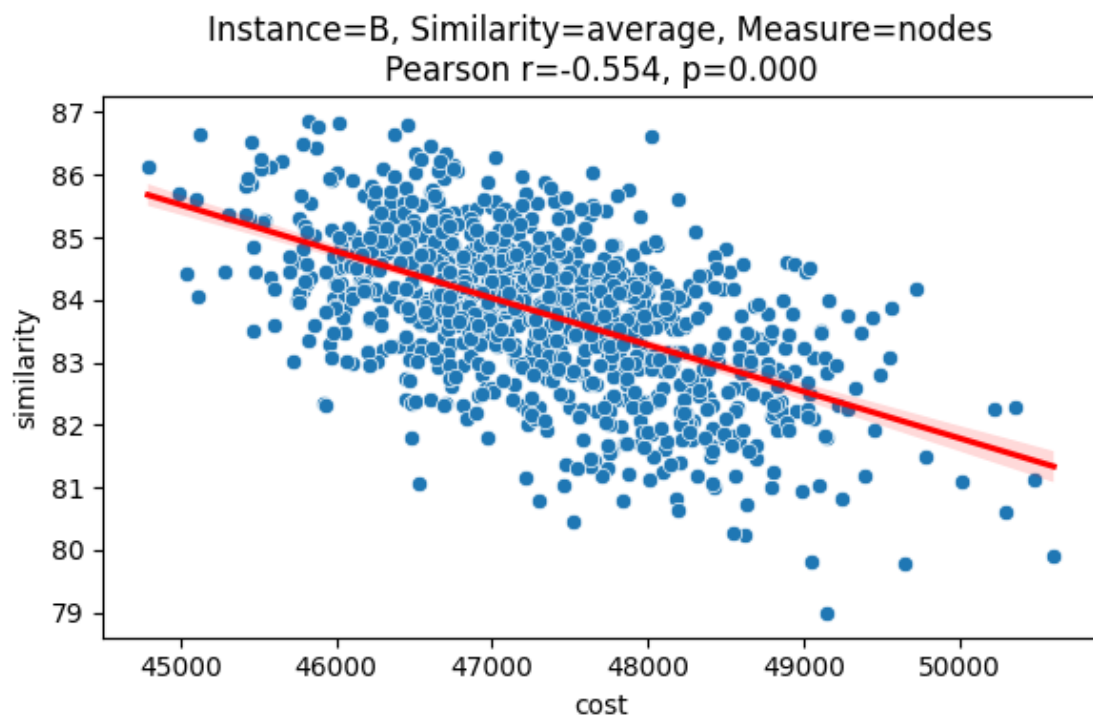


Instance=B, Similarity=average, Measure=edges
Pearson $r=-0.724$, $p=0.000$



Instance=B, Similarity=best, Measure=edges
Pearson $r=-0.596$, $p=0.000$





3 Conclusion

1. Correlations presented by the plots are representative, due to small p value emerged from statistical significance tests. In other words, 1000 runs of LS were enough.
2. There is a negative correlation between cost and similarity for all the kind of comparisons.
3. Similarity of the local optimas belong to fixed interval, depending on solution and comparison it would be [20%, 50%] of the maximal possible similarity (200). In other words, we could state that local optimas are 20% to 50% similar.
4. Node similarities are higher than edge similarity, for it's (to have similar nodes in solutions) a necessary condition for edge similarity (to have edge between them).
5. Generarly, both nodes and edges similarities are are higher when compared to the best solution.