

The Supplement for “The fast heuristic algorithms and post-processing techniques to design large and low-cost communication networks”

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This supplement contains the rigorous proof for the approximation guarantee of our MSTG algorithm, and the detailed computational results in the largest existing benchmark instances and some newly generated instances that are even larger.

I. THE APPROXIMATION GUARANTEE OF THE MSTG ALGORITHM

We prove that there is no approximation guarantee for the MSTG algorithm as follows.

Theorem 1. *There is no approximation guarantee for the MSTG algorithm.*

Proof. Consider the example instance in Figure 1. The MST of this graph is the tree constructed by all the black edges. Since the node weight of each red vertex is ∞ , no edge can be removed by GPrA from this MST. Thus, the solution of the MSTG algorithm is this MST. Use T_{MSTG} to signify this solution, and $c(T_{MSTG}) = mny$. Use T_{opt} to signify the optimal solution. Suppose $\alpha(m-1) < mn$, then T_{opt} is the tree constructed by all the red edges. Therefore, $c(T_{opt}) = (m-1)x$. We have the approximation ratio of the MSTG algorithm as follows,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{ratio} = \frac{mny}{(m-1)x} > \frac{mn}{\alpha(m-1)} = \infty \quad (1)$$

Thus, there is no approximation guarantee for the MSTG algorithm. Note that, it is still true when we replace GPrA with P3 in the MSTG algorithm. \square

II. TWO TABLES

We present the detailed computational results of our heuristic algorithms and the state-of-the-art ones in the following two tables, where $|V|$ is the number of vertices, $|E|$ is the number of edges, Previous Best is the previous best-known solution obtained by DA_BB [1] (a new best-known solution is later obtained in our paper), Solu. is the solution

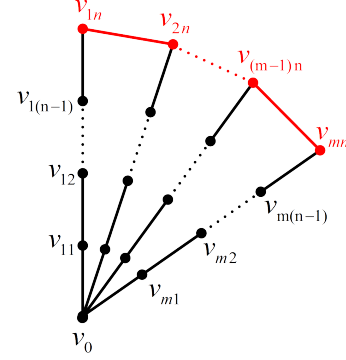


Figure 1: An instance for PCSTP. The node weight of each red vertex v_{1n} to v_{mn} is ∞ , while that of each black vertex is 0. The cost of each red edge (v_{1n}, v_{2n}) to $(v_{(m-1)n}, v_{mn})$ is x , while that of each black edge is y . $y < x < \alpha y$ and $\alpha > 1$.

obtained by each algorithm, Time is the running time of each algorithm, P3_Solu. is the post-processed solution for each algorithm (bold font is used to highlight the improved solutions), P3_Time is the running time of P3, and GW_LB is the lower bound calculated using Equation (5) in our paper.

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Table I: The computational trials in the existing Hand instances

Instance	V	E	Previous Best (DA_BB [1])	FGW [2] (OPT1)		FGW [2] (OPT2)		FGW ^f				MSTG			
				Solu.	Time	Solu.	Time	Solu.	Time	P3_Solu.	P3_Time	Solu.	Time	P3_Solu.	P3_Time
handbd01	169800	338551	728.9636	729.7379	0.9242s	729.1135	36.6108s	729.1135	0.9428s	729.1036	0.2458s	730.1109	0.3289s	729.3935	0.2407s
handbd02	169800	338551	296.4965	297.6809	0.2270s	297.6115	23.4267s	297.6115	0.2223s	297.5754	0.3114s	2227.5098	0.3334s	2143.6177	0.2456s
handbd03	169800	338551	135.0706	135.122	1.0693s	135.0822	40.5322s	135.0706	1.1363s	135.0706	0.1232s	135.0973	0.3219s	135.0790	0.2395s
handbd04	169800	338551	1813.9592	1831.115	0.4892s	1831.115	31.7381s	1831.115	0.4867s	1830.7270	0.2896s	3019.4724	0.3193s	2957.8595	0.2418s
handbd05	169800	338551	105.4747	105.5042	1.0446s	105.5003	38.8565s	105.4747	1.0675s	105.4747	0.1234s	105.4992	0.3179s	105.4946	0.2491s
handbd06	169800	338551	1528.7654	1541.5242	0.4737s	1541.225	32.4908s	1541.225	0.5016s	1540.7989	0.2948s	3250.2024	0.3268s	3129.1386	0.2427s
handbd07	169800	338551	77.862	77.8965	1.1763s	77.8959	43.5286s	77.8625	1.1979s	77.8625	0.1237s	77.8879	0.3281s	77.8865	0.2422s
handbd08	169800	338551	1368.1668	1378.5156	0.4604s	1378.2537	29.9428s	1378.2537	0.4403s	1378.1311	0.2944s	3414.5311	0.3257s	3276.3112	0.2529s
handbd09	169800	338551	62.7172	62.7625	1.0605s	62.7337	37.9934s	62.7175	1.0256s	62.7175	0.1262s	62.7403	0.3172s	62.7337	0.2416s
handbd10	169800	338551	1137.4297	1145.8061	0.3885s	1143.9666	28.8286s	1143.9666	0.3896s	1143.8244	0.3190s	3555.8536	0.3243s	3258.9696	0.2511s
handbd11	169800	338551	46.7725	46.7853	1.2141s	46.7853	41.6638s	46.7725	1.2041s	46.7725	0.1234s	46.779	0.3205s	46.779	0.1217s
handbd12	169800	338551	321.2047	321.4016	0.4624s	321.4016	32.0761s	321.4016	0.4804s	321.3986	0.2992s	2663.0152	0.3252s	2656.4811	1.4860s
handbd13	169800	338551	13.1889	13.2327	1.0310s	13.2148	39.3235s	13.2111	1.0106s	13.2111	0.1305s	13.2241	0.3210s	13.2210	0.2395s
handbd14	169800	338551	4379.1042	4433.4783	0.1106s	4379.1857	18.4805s	4379.1857	0.1116s	4379.1857	0.1246s	4428.7641	0.3179s	4379.3222	0.2420s
handbi01	158400	315808	1358.5634	1361.1002	0.9966s	1359.2352	36.6247s	1358.814	0.9456s	1358.8079	0.2394s	1360.1763	0.2978s	1359.9244	0.2380s
handbi02	158400	315808	531.8109	533.3078	0.2013s	533.3078	21.9973s	533.3078	0.1973s	533.3078	0.1428s	4128.3691	0.3059s	4004.8070	0.2356s
handbi03	158400	315808	243.1342	243.2314	1.0698s	243.2314	39.8263s	243.1342	1.0701s	243.1342	0.1207s	243.2072	0.2997s	243.1851	0.2325s
handbi04	158400	315808	3202.1857	3241.4074	0.5057s	3240.0417	30.2661s	3240.0417	0.4610s	3239.7863	0.2695s	5498.7375	0.3010s	5436.0946	0.2313s
handbi05	158400	315808	184.4673	184.5456	1.0612s	184.4876	36.9983s	184.4673	1.0620s	184.4673	0.1183s	184.4973	0.2985s	184.4782	0.2300s
handbi06	158400	315808	2921.5447	2951.3871	0.3950s	2951.0213	27.2265s	2951.0213	0.3797s	2950.7282	0.2711s	5817.5678	0.3014s	5744.2290	0.2322s
handbi07	158400	315808	150.9743	151.0662	0.9616s	151.0132	36.0864s	150.977	0.9531s	150.977	0.1186s	151.0203	0.2978s	151.0184	0.2365s
handbi08	158400	315808	2270.2846	2285.0306	0.3343s	2284.5631	25.4304s	2284.5631	0.3272s	2284.3594	0.2735s	6055.4094	0.3027s	5888.0953	0.2392s
handbi09	158400	315808	107.7688	107.8008	0.9800s	107.7967	38.0417s	107.77	1.0044s	107.77	0.1191s	107.7905	0.3002s	107.7860	0.2320s
handbi10	158400	315808	1874.293	1881.7441	0.2690s	1880.5621	24.4678s	1880.5621	0.2744s	1880.5208	0.2796s	6375.8028	0.3024s	4545.9725	0.2550s
handbi11	158400	315808	68.9447	68.959	1.1458s	68.959	42.5903s	68.9447	1.1929s	68.9447	0.1184s	68.9493	0.3001s	68.9493	0.1186s
handbi12	158400	315808	138.257	138.3566	0.1713s	138.3002	20.1980s	138.3002	0.1714s	138.3002	0.1410s	1202.2414	0.3036s	1202.2414	0.6563s
handbi13	158400	315808	4.2745	4.3333	0.9399s	4.3139	38.3010s	4.3139	0.9455s	4.3139	0.1279s	4.4289	0.3015s	4.4289	0.1161s
handbi14	158400	315808	7881.7687	7881.9025	0.1039s	7881.9025	18.0950s	7881.9025	0.1036s	7881.9025	0.1408s	8029.2983	0.3017s	7881.9582	0.2852s
handsd01	42500	84475	171.6368	171.9393	0.1576s	171.7123	6.4092s	171.6368	0.1562s	171.6368	0.0298s	171.7438	0.0791s	171.6638	0.0548s
handsd02	42500	84475	159.7514	161.2727	0.0557s	161.1133	5.2666s	161.1133	0.0490s	161.1133	0.0327s	580.9579	0.0779s	576.5816	0.0547s
handsd03	42500	84475	31.3063	31.3319	0.1625s	31.328	6.4554s	31.3063	0.1630s	31.3063	0.0300s	31.3215	0.0785s	31.3209	0.0560s
handsd04	42500	84475	491.7332	496.3119	0.0856s	496.3119	5.8644s	496.3119	0.0726s	496.2860	0.0629s	784.0524	0.0797s	780.1176	0.0558s
handsd05	42500	84475	21.9376	21.952	0.1654s	21.952	6.9209s	21.9376	0.1709s	21.9376	0.0283s	21.951	0.0775s	21.9434	0.0539s
handsd06	42500	84475	279.9031	281.026	0.0943s	280.9208	5.9990s	280.9208	0.0725s	280.9206	0.0647s	850.0455	0.0785s	813.0007	0.0574s
handsd07	42500	84475	11.8041	11.8082	0.1974s	11.8082	7.5797s	11.8041	0.2006s	11.8041	0.0286s	11.8065	0.0769s	11.8065	0.0134s
handsd08	42500	84475	143.2377	143.307	0.0414s	143.307	4.6650s	143.307	0.0379s	143.307	0.0357s	913.7864	0.0795s	611.2809	0.0648s
handsd09	42500	84475	3.8187	3.8271	0.1907s	3.8205	7.7641s	3.8187	0.1995s	3.8187	0.0278s	3.8192	0.0780s	3.8192	0.0272s
handsd10	42500	84475	1034.7674	1045.89	0.0260s	1034.7674	4.2425s	1034.7674	0.0257s	1034.7674	0.0290s	1044.0143	0.0774s	1034.8327	0.0552s
handsi01	39600	78704	295.4536	295.8089	0.1431s	295.6686	5.4401s	295.4953	0.1457s	295.4703	0.0428s	295.6767	0.0710s	295.4893	0.0429s
handsi02	39600	78704	125.4294	125.6777	0.0316s	125.5538	3.8797s	125.5538	0.0328s	125.5538	0.0279s	971.3768	0.0720s	824.3563	0.0543s
handsi03	39600	78704	56.1494	56.242	0.2415s	56.2419	7.2809s	56.1494	0.2094s	56.1494	0.0224s	56.2308	0.0704s	56.2304	0.0418s
handsi04	39600	78704	722.5082	729.5874	0.0490s	729.0027	4.2719s	729.0027	0.0514s	728.9148	0.0545s	1353.3911	0.0706s	1344.8666	0.0433s
handsi05	39600	78704	35.0435	35.0598	0.1908s	35.0598	6.3690s	35.0435	0.1856s	35.0435	0.0213s	35.0494	0.0702s	35.0494	0.0213s
handsi06	39600	78704	452.9536	455.8024	0.0456s	454.4759	4.2280s	454.4759	0.0480s	454.4759	0.0284s	1462.0777	0.0708s	1396.0978	0.0444s
handsi07	39600	78704	18.4101	18.4287	0.1663s	18.4287	5.9944s	18.4101	0.1739s	18.4101	0.0215s	18.4176	0.0703s	18.4132	0.0420s
handsi08	39600	78704	229.5299	229.7778	0.0287s	229.6325	3.6339s	229.6325	0.0297s	229.6325	0.0253s	1603.4522	0.0724s	420.9894	0.0607s
handsi09	39600	78704	5.9622	5.9817	0.1627s	5.9627	5.8678s	5.9622	0.1598s	5.9622	0.0218s	5.9819	0.0703s	5.9819	0.0216s
handsi10	39600	78704	1803.6975	1805.629	0.0205s	1805.629	3.3605s	1805.629	0.0215s	1805.4473	0.0500s	1833.9684	0.0777s	1831.6729	0.0443s

Table II: The computational trials in the newly generated M instances

Instance	V	E	FGW [2] (OPT1)		FGW [2] (OPT2)		FGW'				MSTG				
			Solu.	Time	Solu.	Time	Solu.	Time	GW_LB	P3_Solu.	P3_Time	Solu.	Time	P3_Solu.	P3_Time
M1A	100000	1000000	5481.6409	41.1174s	5481.632	278.9158s	5481.632	41.1802s	5460.6945	5481.2040	2.7353s	5493.5729	5.9965s	5490.3174	3.0465s
M2A	100000	1000000	5488.2152	35.6940s	5488.2152	239.3660s	5488.2152	36.0353s	5466.5515	5487.8637	2.8222s	5499.5815	6.4923s	5496.7685	3.1177s
M3A	100000	1000000	5482.2617	45.0729s	5482.244	304.4540s	5482.244	45.3488s	5461.1391	5481.8221	2.8175s	5493.1467	6.7244s	5490.0110	2.9944s
M4A	100000	1000000	5486.2941	43.5985s	5486.2692	289.2165s	5486.2692	44.0277s	5464.7241	5485.9517	2.9113s	5497.0325	6.6048s	5494.0865	3.0571s
M5A	100000	1000000	5486.4648	46.7103s	5486.4498	308.3590s	5486.4498	46.8574s	5465.042	5486.0817	3.1080s	5497.1304	6.6118s	5494.4981	3.1362s
M6A	100000	1000000	5483.5598	41.6654s	5483.5598	277.2854s	5483.5598	41.9960s	5461.4035	5483.2009	3.0440s	5494.292	6.5396s	5491.6260	3.2399s
M7A	100000	1000000	5483.2707	37.6512s	5483.2707	253.3655s	5483.2707	38.8013s	5461.3939	5482.9075	3.0819s	5493.7591	6.7919s	5490.8884	3.2503s
M8A	100000	1000000	5488.9262	44.0611s	5488.9202	295.2093s	5488.9202	44.7165s	5466.709	5488.5406	3.2238s	5500.0362	6.8583s	5497.1859	3.3526s
M9A	100000	1000000	5489.351	43.9632s	5489.3345	288.1966s	5489.3345	45.0848s	5467.2073	5488.9733	3.1806s	5500.1045	6.7159s	5497.4085	3.4248s
M10A	100000	1000000	5483.7157	45.2397s	5483.7009	301.1237s	5483.7009	45.9673s	5461.8778	5483.3028	3.2424s	5493.9648	6.0955s	5491.2744	3.4998s
M11A	100000	1000000	5484.0646	45.7019s	5484.0537	304.1795s	5484.0537	46.7220s	5462.7545	5483.6038	3.5856s	5494.972	6.4800s	5492.1123	3.5348s
M12A	100000	1000000	5485.794	47.3249s	5485.794	317.2440s	5485.794	48.0205s	5464.3387	5485.3847	3.4342s	5497.0247	6.4409s	5493.6634	3.7350s
M13A	100000	1000000	5481.4588	47.3713s	5481.4431	317.3814s	5481.4431	48.4331s	5459.5761	5481.0153	3.5405s	5492.5614	6.6036s	5489.9386	3.9404s
M14A	100000	1000000	5481.7737	45.5650s	5481.7078	304.6331s	5481.7078	47.8858s	5460.3079	5481.4068	3.4022s	5492.144	6.5634s	5489.0575	3.6227s
M15A	100000	1000000	5484.197	47.4944s	5484.1881	318.1793s	5484.1881	47.7006s	5462.8524	5483.7696	3.5510s	5494.7691	6.2155s	5492.5581	3.8557s
M16A	100000	1000000	5487.2783	47.5215s	5487.2783	315.4937s	5487.2783	48.1742s	5465.2008	5486.8723	3.6924s	5497.5028	6.4870s	5494.3715	3.8062s
M17A	100000	1000000	5483.7691	42.6993s	5483.7476	281.9618s	5483.7476	42.9462s	5461.9474	5483.3123	3.6478s	5494.721	6.2138s	5492.2295	3.8779s
M18A	100000	1000000	5486.6205	43.7577s	5486.6117	288.7708s	5486.6117	44.7528s	5465.2081	5486.3287	3.6500s	5498.0079	6.7424s	5494.6275	3.6404s
M19A	100000	1000000	5483.9776	45.8445s	5483.9695	307.5425s	5483.9695	46.4310s	5462.1784	5483.5960	3.4813s	5495.2559	6.8354s	5492.3760	3.6918s
M20A	100000	1000000	5487.5845	46.2689s	5487.5651	308.2115s	5487.5651	46.8482s	5465.6964	5487.1075	3.5149s	5498.6258	6.7236s	5495.8071	3.8611s
M1B	100000	1000000	66.2021	32.3069s	66.1832	247.5397s	66.1832	32.4441s	53.3145	66.0466	2.8262s	92.4365	6.3559s	79.3268	3.1068s
M2B	100000	1000000	66.0324	19.8363s	66.0174	168.0830s	66.0174	19.9129s	52.5769	65.8882	2.7637s	94.1092	6.7074s	80.0447	3.1112s
M3B	100000	1000000	65.7169	30.4805s	65.7068	236.2986s	65.7068	30.9065s	52.816	65.5986	2.8050s	92.9147	7.0690s	82.2103	3.2348s
M4B	100000	1000000	65.4162	26.0066s	65.394	202.1854s	65.394	26.2628s	52.3969	65.2567	2.7958s	93.8008	6.8425s	81.0745	3.1842s
M5B	100000	1000000	65.6691	28.3675s	65.6691	219.7546s	65.6691	28.6480s	52.3289	65.5881	2.7750s	93.0645	6.3484s	80.7955	3.0979s
M6B	100000	1000000	65.847	31.1829s	65.8336	237.4612s	65.8336	31.3760s	52.6452	65.7684	2.8360s	92.6384	6.9973s	79.4922	3.1287s
M7B	100000	1000000	65.5548	29.2183s	65.5447	226.8594s	65.5447	29.4760s	52.5285	65.3970	2.7788s	92.0847	7.0038s	79.7433	3.1347s
M8B	100000	1000000	66.1979	28.1588s	66.1815	217.9342s	66.1815	28.1823s	52.9914	66.0255	2.8414s	92.4475	7.0138s	78.1951	2.9598s
M9B	100000	1000000	65.429	31.5468s	65.4242	241.1995s	65.4242	32.2525s	52.2148	65.3305	2.7388s	92.4493	7.2335s	79.6682	3.2323s
M10B	100000	1000000	65.5545	32.6414s	65.5444	246.0274s	65.5444	31.9424s	52.5864	65.4162	2.8588s	93.9597	7.0986s	82.2695	3.2284s
M11B	100000	1000000	65.5385	26.3979s	65.5277	207.4508s	65.5277	26.1448s	52.5764	65.3598	2.8288s	92.2234	7.1162s	78.3228	3.0511s
M12B	100000	1000000	66.1164	30.8797s	66.1085	237.9132s	66.1085	30.8732s	52.8355	65.9770	2.8050s	93.8467	7.0847s	78.6274	3.0463s
M13B	100000	1000000	65.7901	30.6637s	65.7772	232.8243s	65.7772	30.5422s	52.5653	65.6787	2.7308s	93.9122	7.1522s	81.4700	3.1073s
M14B	100000	1000000	65.6827	30.3201s	65.6772	230.7312s	65.6772	29.9101s	52.3993	65.6211	2.8106s	93.316	6.4010s	79.6478	2.9961s
M15B	100000	1000000	65.4326	29.3813s	65.4123	227.3946s	65.4123	29.8681s	52.5718	65.3125	2.7157s	92.1817	7.2176s	79.5161	3.0208s
M16B	100000	1000000	66.0073	30.9838s	65.9965	237.9746s	65.9965	30.9989s	52.4984	65.9059	2.7464s	92.6824	7.1303s	81.2880	3.1640s
M17B	100000	1000000	65.7726	28.6853s	65.7602	223.1243s	65.7602	28.6653s	52.582	65.6592	2.7328s	94.4974	7.0025s	81.5226	3.1198s
M18B	100000	1000000	65.3082	28.4717s	65.3016	220.4450s	65.3016	28.8249s	52.3314	65.1425	2.8311s	92.8887	7.1751s	81.3532	3.1336s
M19B	100000	1000000	65.5194	32.5167s	65.5194	253.1833s	65.5194	32.9705s	52.5215	65.4110	2.7679s	93.1059	6.9005s	82.7996	3.2278s
M20B	100000	1000000	66.0938	32.8374s	66.0804	255.3113s	66.0804	32.9264s	52.7985	65.9690	2.7642s	92.8594	6.6573s	80.8396	3.1067s