

Python for GRASP

Data based Logistics

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Getting started with Python


- Download from python.org/downloads/.
 - Select the option “Add Py to PATH” when installing it.
- IDE (Integrated Development Environment)
 - We may use Pycharm
 - jetbrains.com/pycharm/download
 - Install the Community version (it's free).


Running a project

- Copy our files in a folder
- Open Pycharm
- Create a new project
 - Don't create new environment
 - Previously configured
 - Create from existing sources
 - Do not touch the folder venv (virtual environment)
- The code is organized in modules:
 - Structure
 - Instances
 - Algorithms

Data files

100 10	←	$n \ m$
0 1 8.01		
0 2 8.77		
0 3 1.23		
0 4 4.37	←	$i \ j \ d(i, j)$
0 5 4.84		
0 6 5.71		
0 7 1.60		
0 8 4.83		
0 9 0.70		
0 10 7.86		
0 11 1.74		
0 12 1.32		
...		

Instance data is stored in a  **dictionary**: an 'associative array' indexed by keys.

Pairwise distances between elements are stored in a  **matrix** within key 'd' in the dictionary.

- `def readInstance(path):`
- `instance = {}`
- `with open(path, "r") as f:`
- `# First line in file has two numbers: n p`
- `n, p = f.readline().split()`
- `n = int(n)`
- `p = int(p)`
- `instance['n'] = n`
- `instance['p'] = p`
- `instance['d'] = []`
- `for i in range(n):`
- `instance['d'].append([0] * n)`
- `for i in range(n):`
- `for j in range(i+1, n):`
- `u, v, d = f.readline().split()`
- `u = int(u)`
- `v = int(v)`
- `d = round(float(d), 2)`
- `instance['d'][u][v] = d`
- `instance['d'][v][u] = d`
- `return instance`

Structure instance

Structure solution

Create
a dictionary



- `def createEmptySolution(instance):`
- `sol = {}`
- `sol['instance'] = instance`
- `sol['sol'] = set()`
- `sol['of'] = 0`
- `return sol`

Access to the instance
through the solution



- `def evaluate(sol):`
- `of = 0`
- `for s1 in sol['sol']:`
- `for s2 in sol['sol']:`
- `if s1 < s2:`
- `of += sol['instance']['d'][s1][s2]`
- `return of`

Select first element
at random.



Matrix cl has two
columns: $d(i)$ i



Matrix rcl has some
of the rows of cl



GRASP

construction

- **def construct(inst, alpha):**
- sol = solution.createEmptySolution(inst)
- n = inst['n']
- u = random.randint(0, n-1)
- solution.addToSolution(sol, u)
- cl = createCandidateList(sol, u)
- alpha = alpha if alpha >= 0 else random.random()
- **while not solution.isFeasible(sol):**
- gmin, gmax = evalGMinGMax(cl)
- threshold = gmax - alpha * (gmax - gmin)
- rcl = []
- for i in range(len(cl)):
- if cl[i][0] >= threshold:
- rcl.append(cl[i])
- selIdx = random.randint(0, len(rcl)-1)
- cSel = rcl[selIdx]
- solution.addToSolution(sol, cSel[1], cSel[0])
- cl.remove(cSel)
- updateCandidateList(sol, cl, cSel[1])
- return sol

Local Search

- from structure import solution
- def improve(sol):
 - improve = True
 - while improve:
 - improve = **tryImprove**(sol)
- def tryImprove(sol):
 - sel, ofVarSel, unsel, ofVarUnsel = **selectInterchange**(sol)
 - if ofVarSel < ofVarUnsel:
 - solution.removeFromSolution(sol, sel, ofVarSel)
 - solution.addToSolution(sol, unsel, ofVarUnsel)
 - return True
 - return False

sel is the element in solution with **minimum** sum of distances (bestSel) to the rest.

We look for the element v, not in sol, with **maximum** sum of distances (bestUnsel) to the elements in sol. We exclude sel from this computation.

- **def selectInterchange(sol):**

- n = sol['instance']['n']
- sel = -1
- bestSel = 0x3f3f3f
- unsel = -1
- bestUnsel = 0
- for v in sol['sol']:
- d = solution.distanceToSol(sol, v)
- if d < bestSel:
- bestSel = d
- sel = v
- for v in range(n):
- d = solution.distanceToSol(sol, v, without=sel)
- if not solution.contains(sol, v):
- if d > bestUnsel:
- bestUnsel = d
- unsel = v
- return sel, round(bestSel,2), unsel, round(bestUnsel,2)

Try the code!

- You may find in the zip folder with the code several implementations for the construction and the local search procedures:
- lsbestimp.py
- lsfirstimp.py
- lsfirstimp_sorte.py
- cgrasp.py
- cgrasp_eff.py
- greedy.py
- Run the different combinations, and compare the results.