

COS 790: Hyper-Heuristics and Combinatorial Optimization Assignment 3: Generation Constructive Hyper-Heuristics Due Date: 3 November 2020, 23:30

This assignment involves implementation of a generation constructive hyperheuristics to create heuristics for the symmetric and asymmetric travelling salesman problem. Use the problem instances for the symmetric and asymmetric from TSPLIB to asses the performance of the hyper-heuristic http://elib.zib.de/pub/mp-testdata/tsp/tsplib/tsplib.html.

Assignments must be submitted via clickUP. The source code, compiled code and report must be submitted.

The report must include:

- Description of the representation used and terminal or function set (or equivalent depending on the approach used).
- Description of initial population generation.
- Description of the fitness function and fitness evaluation.
- Description of the selection method.
- Description of genetic operators (or equivalent depending on the approach used).
- A description of the experimental setup, i.e. parameter values used for the hyper-heuristic, problem instances used, technical specifications of the machine used to develop the program and run simulations.
- The results (averages and best values over the runs performed) and a discussion of the results. A minimum of 10 runs should be performed.

• A comparison of the performance of the constructive heuristics produced by generation constructive hyper-heuristics to existing manually derived heuristics for the TSP.

Total: 45