

SW 14

Ant Colony Optimization in Traveling Sales Person Problem:

$$Pr(X_{ij}) = \begin{cases} \frac{T_{ij}^\alpha \cdot \eta_{ij}^\beta}{\sum_{j \in N} T_{ij}^\alpha \cdot \eta_{ij}^\beta} & , j \in N \\ 0 & , j \notin N \end{cases}$$

In TSP: $\eta_{ji} = \frac{1}{d_{ij}}$, where d_{ij} is the distance between cities i and j .

$\alpha = 0, \beta = 1 \rightarrow$ random greedy algorithm

$\alpha = 1, \beta = 0 \rightarrow$ with naive pheromone replacement we obtain a purely random algorithm.

// if α is lower, you do a better exploration of the solution space, if α is higher, you do a better exploit.

The new pheromone level from i to j is computed according to

$$T_{ij}^{\text{new}} = (1-p) \cdot T_{ij}^{\text{old}} + \Delta T_{ij},$$

where $p \in (0,1)$ is the evaporation factor and ΔT_{ij} the increase in pheromone level according to the chosen update rule.

$$T_{ij}^{\text{new}} = \begin{cases} (1-p) \cdot T_{ij}^{\text{old}} + \frac{P}{f(x)} & , \text{if edge } x_{ij} \text{ has been used} \\ (1-p) \cdot T_{ij}^{\text{old}} & , \text{else} \end{cases}$$