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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Online/approximation algorithms for combinatorial optimization problems

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Computer Science, Yonsei University, South Korea Mar 2018 – Aug 2024 (expected)

- ◇ Dissertation topic: Relaxing hard constraints for online optimization
- ◇ Advisor: Hyung-Chan An

B.S. in Computer Science, Yonsei University, South Korea Mar 2012 – Feb 2018

- ◇ Awarded *high honors at graduation*

RESEARCH PAPERS

Yongho Shin, Changyeol Lee, and Hyung-Chan An. On optimal consistency-robustness trade-off for learning-augmented multi-option ski rental. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2312.02547*, 2023.

- ◇ This paper bridges the gap for both deterministic and randomized learning-augmented algorithms for the multi-option ski rental problem. For deterministic algorithms, we present a best-possible algorithm that completely matches the known lower bound. For randomized algorithms, we show the first nontrivial lower bound on the consistency-robustness trade-off, and also present an improved randomized algorithm. Our algorithm matches our lower bound on robustness within a factor of $e/2$ when the consistency is at most 1.086.

Yongho Shin, Changyeol Lee, Gukryeol Lee, and Hyung-Chan An. Improved learning-augmented algorithms for the multi-option ski rental problem via best-possible competitive analysis. In *Proceedings of the 40th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML 2023)*, PMLR 202:31539-31561, 2023.

- ◇ Even though ski rental problems are one of the canonical problems in the field of online optimization, only deterministic algorithms were previously known for multi-option ski rental, with or without learning augmentation. We present the first randomized learning-augmented algorithm for this problem, surpassing previous performance guarantees given by deterministic algorithms. Our learning-augmented algorithm is based on a new, provably best-possible randomized competitive algorithm for the problem. Our results are further complemented by lower bounds for deterministic and randomized algorithms.

Kangsan Kim, **Yongho Shin**, and Hyung-Chan An. Constant-factor approximation algorithms for parity-constrained facility location and k -center. *Algorithmica* 85, 1883–1911, 2023.

- ◇ Preliminary version appeared in *Proceedings of the 31st International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation (ISAAC 2020)*, 21:1-21:17, 2020.
- ◇ *Facility location* is a prominent optimization problem in combinatorial optimization, and has been investigated under various settings. However, little is known on how the problem behaves in conjunction with parity constraints. This shortfall of understanding was rather disturbing when we consider the central role of *parity* in the field of combinatorics. In this paper, we present the first constant-factor approximation algorithms for the facility location and k -center problems with parity constraints.

Yongho Shin and Hyung-Chan An. Making three out of two: Three-way online correlated selection. In *Proceedings of the 32nd International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation (ISAAC 2021)*, 49:1-49:17, 2021.

- ◇ *Two-way online correlated selection (two-way OCS)* is an online algorithm that, at each timestep, takes a pair of elements from the ground set and irrevocably chooses one of the two elements, while ensuring negative correlation in the algorithm's choices. Whilst OCS was initially invented by Fahrbach, Huang, Tao, and Zadimoghaddam to tackle the edge-weighted online bipartite matching problem, it is an interesting technique on its own due to its capability of introducing a powerful algorithmic tool, namely negative correlation, to online algorithms. As such, Fahrbach et al. posed two tantalizing open questions in their paper, one of which was the following: Can we obtain a nontrivial n -way OCS for $n > 2$, in which the algorithm can be given $n > 2$ elements to choose from at each timestep? In this paper, we affirmatively answer this open question by presenting a *three-way OCS*. We also present our OCS yields a 0.5093-competitive algorithm for the edge-weighted online matching, demonstrating its usefulness.

Yongho Shin, Kangsan Kim, Seungmin Lee, and Hyung-Chan An. Online graph matching problem with a worst-case reassignment budget. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2003.05175*, 2020.

- ◇ We consider the online bipartite matching problem where reassignments are allowed. Bernstein, Holm, and Rotenberg showed that an online algorithm can maintain a matching of maximum cardinality by performing *amortized* $O(\log^2 n)$ reassignments per arrival. We propose to consider the general question of *how requiring a non-amortized hard budget on the number of reassignments affects the algorithms' performances* under various models. Through a simple algorithm exploiting a shortest augmenting path of length within the given budget, we demonstrate that even a small hard budget can yield significant performance advantage, compared to those algorithms that do not perform reassignments. Moreover, we further show that this algorithm is a best-possible deterministic algorithm for all those models.

AWARDS

High honors at graduation, Yonsei University

Feb 2018

PRESENTATIONS

Learning-augmented multi-option ski rental

- ◇ The 40th International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML 2023) @ Honolulu, HI Jul 2023

Three-way online correlated selection

- ◇ Theory Tea @ Cornell University Dec 2022
- ◇ The 32nd International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation (ISAAC 2021) @ Fukuoka, Japan (Virtual) Dec 2021
- ◇ The 14th Annual Meeting of the Asian Association for Algorithms and Computation (AAAC 2021) @ Tainan, Taiwan (Virtual) Oct 2021

Parity-constrained facility location

- ◇ The 31st International Symposium on Algorithms and Computation (ISAAC 2021) @ Hong Kong, China (Virtual) Dec 2020
- ◇ The 13th Annual Meeting of the Asian Association for Algorithms and Computation (AAAC 2021) @ Nara, Japan (Virtual) Sept 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Visiting research intern, Cornell University Sept 2022 – Dec 2022
◊ Host: David B. Shmoys

Undergraduate intern, Yonsei University Jan 2017 – Feb 2018
◊ Advisor: Hyung-Chan An

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching assistant, Yonsei University
◊ CSI3108 (Algorithm analysis) Fall 2018 – 2021, 2023
◊ AIC2130 (Computer algorithms for AI applications) Fall 2023
◊ GEK6205 (Design and analysis of optimization algorithms) Fall 2023
◊ CSI2103/CCO2103 (Data structures) Spring 2018 – 2021, 2023

Undergraduate tutor of the voluntary tutoring program, Yonsei University
◊ CSI3108 (Algorithm analysis) Fall 2016, 2017
◊ CSI2103 (Data structures) Spring 2017

MISCELLANEOUS EXPERIENCE

Organizer of Yonsei CS theory student group, Yonsei University Jan 2023 – present
◊ Organize seminar talks on various topics including mechanism design and quantum computing

Web programmer, Republic of Korea Air Force Nov 2013 – Aug 2015
◊ Used PHP, Java, and Spring Framework

REFERENCES

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