

## Labs 4: Heuristics & Single Point Metaheuristics

### 1. Introduction

In the following 3 sessions, you shall practice in using single point metaheuristics to solve a multi-dimensional knapsack problem, which is an extended version of the 1D knapsack problem that you have practiced in previous labs and has proved to be NP-Hard. The problem has found applications in cloud computing, networking and other practical scenarios. Like in the past, you are asked to write a C/C++ program to solve this problem. A sketch program (downloadable from Moodle) is provided for you also to help you focus more on algorithm implementation.

### 2. Task

The tabu search and VNS are implemented in the example code:

[https://moodle.nottingham.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/11644645/mod\\_folder/content/0/lab04.c?force\\_download=1](https://moodle.nottingham.ac.uk/pluginfile.php/11644645/mod_folder/content/0/lab04.c?force_download=1)

While the VNS contain some problem, please fix the issue to find better objective (better than 232).

The code can run in the online compiler:

[https://www.onlinegdb.com/online\\_c\\_compiler](https://www.onlinegdb.com/online_c_compiler)

Or CS linux by:

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gcc -lm lab02.c; ./a.out
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After you got result, please submit it in moodle Quiz:

<https://moodle.nottingham.ac.uk/mod/quiz/view.php?id=7476452>