DM841 Discrete Optimization

Vehicle Routing Local Search based Metaheuristics

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Local Search for CVRP and VRPTW

- Neighborhood structures:
 - Intra-route: 2-opt, 3-opt, Lin-Kernighan (not very well suited), Or-opt (2H-opt)
 - Inter-routes: λ-interchange, relocate, exchange, cross, 2-opt*, b-cyclic k-transfer (ejection chains), GENI
- Solution representation and data structures
 - They depend on the neighborhood.
 - It can be advantageous to change them from one stage to another of the heuristic

Intra-route Neighborhoods



 $O(n^2)$ possible exchanges One path is reversed

Intra-route Neighborhoods

3-opt





 $O(n^3)$ possible exchanges Paths can be reversed

Intra-route Neighborhoods

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Or-opt [Or (1976)]} \\ \{i_1 - 1, i_1\}\{i_2, i_2 + 1\}\{j, j + 1\} \longrightarrow \{i_1 - 1, i_2 + 1\}\{j, i_1\}\{i_2, j + 1\} \end{array}$



sequences of one, two, three consecutive vertices relocated $O(n^2)$ possible exchanges — No paths reversed

Inter-route Neighborhoods

[Savelsbergh, ORSA (1992)]





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2-opt*

Exchanges 2 pairs of edges between routes. First transform in TSP by creating M depots



 $O(n^2)$ possible moves. (4 edges introduced but 2 are fixed given the other 2) Preserve orientation and introduce last part of a route on another route.

> [Potvin, J.-M. Rousseau, An exchange heuristic for routing problems with time windows Journal of the Operational Research Society, 46 (1995), pp. 1433-1446]

GENI: generalized insertion [Gendreau, Hertz, Laporte, Oper. Res. (1992)]

- select the insertion restricted to the neighborhood of the vertex to be added (not necessarily between consecutive vertices)
- perform the best 3- or 4-opt restricted to reconnecting arc links that are close to one another.



Figure 2. Type II insertion of vertex v between v_i and v_j.

A Local Search

Algorithm 1 Local Improvement(s_{CURR})

- 1: isEnd = false
- 2: for each route $r \in s_{\text{CURR}}$ do updateData(r)
- 3: while not isEnd do
- 4: isEnd = true
- 5: for i = 1, ..., n and j = 1, ..., n do
- 6: $c_i \leftarrow \text{shuffledNodeOrder}(i) ; c_j \leftarrow \text{shuffledNodeOrder}(j) ;$
- 7: $r_i \leftarrow \text{getRoute}(c_i) ; r_j \leftarrow \text{getRoute}(c_j) ;$
- 8: if $r_i \neq r_j$ and {isImprovingCROSS (c_i, c_j) or isImproving2opt* (c_i, c_j) } then
- 9: $s_{\text{CURR}} \leftarrow \text{performMove}(s_{\text{CURR}}; c_i, c_j)$; updateData (r_i, r_j) ; isEnd = false
- 10: **if** $r_i == r_j$ **and** {isImprovingOrOpt (c_i, c_j) **or** isImproving2Opt (c_i, c_j) } **then**
- 11: $s_{\text{CURR}} \leftarrow \text{performMove}(s_{\text{CURR}};c_i)$; updateData (r_i) ; isEnd = false;
- 12: return s_{curr}