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Background



- 1. Order
- Volume delay function
- Wardrop Equilibrium
- 2. Order
- Determination of a subset of candidate links and nodes
- Determination of network element types

Costs:

f = (Generalized Costs, External Costs, ..., Infrastructure Budget)

Accessibility:

$$f = \sum_{o=1}^{O} I_o \cdot \ln\left(\sum_{d=1}^{D} A_d \cdot \exp(-\beta \cdot t_{od})\right) - Infrastructure Budget$$



Potential solutions: 100 nodes -> 10¹⁰³ 400 nodes -> 10⁴⁴⁶ 625 nodes -> 10⁷⁰⁸





Design – Genetic Algorithm vs. Ant Colony Optimization



reproduction



Design - Integrated Ant Colony Genetic Algorithm



Design – recombination procedure







Design – path picking and pheromones update

$$p_{ij}^{g} = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{\alpha \tau_{ij}^{g}} e^{\beta r}}{\sum_{l_{ij} \in L_{Parents}} e^{\alpha \tau_{ij}^{g}} e^{\beta r}}, & \text{when } l_{ij} \in L_{Parents} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\tau_{ij}^{g} = (1 - \delta) \cdot \tau_{ij}^{g-1} + \max\left(\Delta \tau_{ij}^{g}\right)$$

 τ_{ij}^{g} : Pheromone density in iteration g on link i - j.

 δ : Evaporation rate.

 $\max(\Delta \tau_{ij}^{g})$: Score of the best individual out of all processed network individual.

Results – pheromone development (generation 100)



Results – capacities (generation 100)



Network size [nodes]	Objective functions evaluated [numbers]			Total calculation time [h]		
	GA	IACGA	Difference	GA	IACGA	Difference
100	200'000	54'000	-73.00%	6	0.75	-88.5%
225	1.7·10 ⁸	140'000	-99.92%	5'100	2	-99.96%
400	~1.1·10 ⁹	700'000	-99.94%	33'000	124	-99.62%

Best possible score	Share of optimal networks	Standard deviation	Standard error					
Without degraded initial population								
-2'432	51%	0.67%	3.37					
With degraded initial population								
-2'432	55%	0.79%	3.90					

Application – abstract shape grammars



Application – possible shape grammars



Source: after Marshall (2005)

	In	itial setting 1	Initial setting $2 (n = 3)$		
Shape grammar	Average score	Relative difference	Wilcoxon rank-sum	Average score	Relative difference
A	-143'200	-		-300'192	-
В	-147'132	2.75%	0.0087% (n=20)	-317'145	5.65%
С	-116'550	-		-250'895	-
D	-129'297	10.94%	0.15% (n=10)	-303'507	20.97%

Faster and more precise...

Implement other network elements and land use parameters

Include land use and variable demand

Visualization

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