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Computational Data and Social Networks - Andrea Tagarelli 2019-11-11

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Computational Data and Social Networks, CSoNet 2019, held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, in November 2019. The 22 full and 8 short papers presented in this book were carefully reviewed and selected from 120 submissions. The papers appear under the following topical headings: Combinatorial Optimization and Learning; Influence Modeling, Propagation, and Maximization; NLP and Affective Computing; Computational Methods for Social Good; and User Profiling and Behavior Modeling.

Intelligent Information and Database Systems - Jeng-Shyang Pan 2012-03-14

The three-volume set LNAI 7196, LNAI 7197 and LNAI 7198 constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 4th Asian Conference on Intelligent Information and Database Systems, ACIIDS 2012, held in Kaohsiung, Taiwan in March 2012. The 161 revised papers presented were carefully

reviewed and selected from more than 472 submissions. The papers included cover the following topics: intelligent database systems, data warehouses and data mining, natural language processing and computational linguistics, semantic Web, social networks and recommendation systems, collaborative systems and applications, e-bussiness and e-commerce systems, e-learning systems, information modeling and requirements engineering, information retrieval systems, intelligent agents and multi-agent systems, intelligent information systems, intelligent internet systems, intelligent optimization techniques, object-relational DBMS, ontologies and knowledge sharing, semi-structured and XML database systems, unified modeling language and unified processes, Web services and semantic Web, computer networks and communication systems.

Models for Practical Routing Problems in Logistics - S. P. Anbuudayasankar 2014-07-08

This book deals with complex variants of Travelling Salesman Problem (TSP) and Vehicle Routing Problem (VRP)

within the manufacturing and service industries. The objective is to develop heuristics for these supply chain problems in order to offer practical solutions to improve operational efficiency. These heuristics are evaluated using benchmark and derived data-sets. Case studies pertaining to logistics in different industries including textile machinery manufacturing and banking are also included to demonstrate the created heuristics. High competition in today's global market has forced the organizations to invest in and focus on their logistics system. The critical function of logistics is the transportation within and across various supply chain entities. Both supply and distribution procedure require effective transportation management. A small improvement in routing problems can lead to huge logistics savings in absolute terms. This book should appeal to executives, researchers and consultants seeking supply chain management solutions.

Problem Solving and Uncertainty Modeling through Optimization and Soft Computing Applications - Saxena, Pratiksha 2016-03-01

Optimization techniques have developed into a modern-day solution for real-world problems in various industries. As a way to improve performance and handle issues of uncertainty, optimization research becomes a topic of special interest across disciplines. *Problem Solving and Uncertainty Modeling through Optimization and Soft Computing Applications* presents the latest research trends and developments in the area of applied optimization methodologies and soft computing techniques for solving complex problems. Taking a multi-disciplinary approach, this critical publication is an essential reference source for engineers, managers, researchers, and post-graduate students.

Simulation Modeling and Arena - Manuel D. Rossetti
2015-05-26

Emphasizes a hands-on approach to learning statistical analysis and model building through the use of comprehensive examples, problems sets, and software applications With a unique blend of theory and applications, *Simulation Modeling and Arena®*, Second Edition integrates coverage of statistical analysis and model building to emphasize the importance of both topics in simulation. Featuring introductory coverage on how simulation works and why it matters, the Second Edition expands coverage on static simulation and the applications of spreadsheets to perform simulation. The new edition also introduces the use of the open source statistical package, R, for both performing statistical testing and fitting distributions. In addition, the models are presented in a clear and precise pseudo-code form, which aids in understanding and model communication. *Simulation Modeling and Arena*, Second Edition also features: Updated coverage of necessary statistical modeling concepts such as confidence interval construction, hypothesis testing, and parameter estimation Additional examples of the simulation clock within discrete event simulation modeling involving the mechanics of time advancement by hand simulation A guide to the Arena Run Controller, which features a debugging scenario New homework problems that cover a wider range of engineering applications in transportation, logistics, healthcare, and computer science A related website with an Instructor's Solutions Manual, PowerPoint® slides, test bank questions, and data sets for each chapter *Simulation Modeling and Arena*, Second Edition is an ideal textbook for upper-undergraduate and graduate courses in modeling and simulation within

statistics, mathematics, industrial and civil engineering, construction management, business, computer science, and other departments where simulation is practiced. The book is also an excellent reference for professionals interested in mathematical modeling, simulation, and Arena.

Lean Manufacturing in the Developing World - Jorge Luis García-Alcaraz 2014-03-27

This book presents some definitions and concepts applied in Latin America on lean manufacturing (LM), the LM tools most widely used and human and cultural aspects that most matter in this field. The book contains a total of 14 tools used and reported by authors from different countries in Latin America, with definition, timeline with related research, benefits that have been reported in literature and case studies implemented in Latin American companies. Finally, the book presents a list of softwares available to facilitate the tools' implementation, monitoring and improvement.

Solution Approaches for the Parallel Identical Machine Scheduling Problem with Sequence Dependent Setups - Bradley Everett Anderson 2002

Inventory and Production Management in Supply Chains - Edward A. Silver 2016-12-19

Authored by a team of experts, the new edition of this bestseller presents practical techniques for managing inventory and production throughout supply chains. It covers the current context of inventory and production management, replenishment systems for managing individual inventories within a firm, managing inventory in multiple locations and firms, and production management. The book presents sophisticated concepts and solutions with an eye towards today's economy of global

demand, cost-saving, and rapid cycles. It explains how to decrease working capital and how to deal with coordinating chains across boundaries.

Situational Awareness - Eduardo Salas 2017-07-05

Situational awareness has become an increasingly salient factor contributing to flight safety and operational performance, and the research has burgeoned to cope with the human performance challenges associated with the installation of advanced avionics systems in modern aircraft. The systematic study and application of situational awareness has also extended beyond the cockpit to include air traffic controllers and personnel operating within other complex, high consequence work domains. This volume offers a collection of essays that have made important contributions to situational awareness research and practice. To this end, it provides unique access to key readings that address the conceptual development of situational awareness, methods for its assessment, and applications to enhance situational awareness through training and design.

Location Covering Models - Richard L. Church 2018-12-22
This book provides a thoughtful and rigorous guide to coverage modeling, reviewing essential models, solution approaches, and related applications. Since the early developments of the Location Set Covering Problem and the Maximal Covering Location Problem, models based upon some form of coverage have been extended and applied in a number of areas, helping to improve services offered to citizens of large cities and regions. Examples include trauma care services, transit systems design, cell tower location, and many others. The book not only describes the strengths and weaknesses of currently available models, but also presents details on major developments, including solution procedures and

applications, making it well suited both as a reference text and a textbook for graduate level courses.

The Latest and Best of TESS - 1991

Handbook of Expert Systems Applications in Manufacturing Structures and rules - A. Mital 2013-03-08

This book is aimed at both researchers and practitioners, and provides a collection of expert systems in manufacturing and production engineering along with their knowledge base and rules. We believe that inclusion of the knowledge base and associated rules is essential if practitioners are to derive full benefit from these expert systems. This unique book is the result of our belief and the efforts of our distinguished colleagues who subscribe to this philosophy. A total of 15 different expert systems are included in this book. These expert systems are preceded by an introductory chapter written by Kuo, Preface XVII Mital and Anand. The expert system rules are included on a floppy disk in ASCII and can be easily accessed. These rules and the description of the expert system's structure should assist the users in customizing these systems. Overall, the expert systems included in this volume cover a fairly wide variety of manufacturing and production engineering topics.

Supply Chain Optimization - Joseph Geunes 2006-03-30

Supply Chain Optimization captures the latest results in a segment of current research activity in supply chain management. This research area focuses on applying optimization techniques to supply chain management problems. The research papers that make up the volume provide a snapshot of state-of-the-art optimization methods within the field. This book presents rigorous modelling approaches for supply chain operations

problems with a goal of improving supply chain performance (or the performance of some segment thereof). It contains high-quality works from leading researchers in the field whose expertise fits within this scope. The book provides a diverse blend of research topics and novel modelling and solution approaches for difficult classes of supply chain operations, planning, and design problems.

Few-Body Problems in Physics '98 - Bertrand Desplanques 2012-12-06

The sixteenth European Conference on Few Body Problems in Physics has taken place from June 1 to June 6, 1998, in Autrans, a little village in the mountains, close to Grenoble. The Conference follows those organized in Peniscola (1995), Amsterdam (1993), Elba (1991), Uzhgorod (1990) ... The present one has been organized by a group of physicists working in different fields at the University Joseph Fourier of Grenoble who find in this occasion a good opportunity to join their efforts. The core of the organizing committee was nevertheless located at the Institut des Sciences Nucleaires, whose physicists, especially in the group of theoretical physics, have a long tradition in the domain. The Few Body Conference has a natural tendency to be a theoretical one - the exchange about the methods used in different fields is the common point to most participants. It also has a tendency to be a hadronic physics one - the corresponding physics community, perhaps due to the existence of experimental facilities devoted to the study of few body systems, is better organized. In preparing the scientific program, we largely relied on the advices of the International Advisory Committee, while avoiding to follow these trends too closely.

1989 IIE Integrated Systems Conference & Society for Integrated Manufacturing Conference - 1989

Southwest Builder and Contractor - 1919

Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Green Communications and Networks 2012 (GCN 2012): Volume 3 - Yuhang Yang 2013-01-30

The objective of the 2nd International Conference on Green Communications and Networks 2012 (GCN 2012) is to facilitate an exchange of information on best practices for the latest research advances in the area of communications, networks and intelligence applications. These mainly involve computer science and engineering, informatics, communications and control, electrical engineering, information computing, and business intelligence and management. Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Green Communications and Networks 2012 (GCN 2012) will focus on green information technology and applications, which will provide in-depth insights for engineers and scientists in academia, industry, and government. The book addresses the most innovative research developments including technical challenges, social and economic issues, and presents and discusses the authors' ideas, experiences, findings, and current projects on all aspects of advanced green information technology and applications. Yuhang Yang is a professor at the Department of Electronic Engineering, Shanghai Jiao Tong University. Maode Ma is an associate professor at the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Nanyang Technological University.

How to Solve Physics Problems - Daniel Milton Oman 2016-01-01

Learn how to solve physics problems the right way How to

Solve Physics Problems will prepare you for physics exams by focusing on problem-solving. You will learn to solve physics problems naturally and systematically--and in a way that will stick with you. Not only will it help you with your homework, it will give you a clear idea of what you can expect to encounter on exams. 400 physics problems thoroughly illustrated and explained Math review for the right start New chapters on quantum physics; atoms, molecules, and solids; and nuclear physics

Resources in Education - 1987

Integer Programming and Related Areas - Rabe v. Randow 2012-12-06

The fields of integer programming and combinatorial optimization continue to be areas of great vitality, with an ever increasing number of publications and journals appearing. A classified bibliography thus continues to be necessary and useful today, even more so than it did when the project, of which this is the fifth volume, was started in 1970 in the Institut für Ökonometrie und Operations Research of the University of Bonn. The pioneering first volume was compiled by Claus Kastning during the years 1970 - 1975 and appeared in 1976 as Volume 128 of the series Lecture Notes in Economics and Mathematical Systems published by the Springer Verlag. Work on the project was continued by Dirk Hausmann, Reinhardt Euler, and Rabe von Randow, and resulted in the publication of the second, third, and fourth volumes in 1978, 1982, and 1985 (Volumes 160, 197, and 243 of the above series). The present book constitutes the fifth volume of the bibliography and covers the period from autumn 1984 to the end of 1987. It contains 5864 new publications by 4480 authors and

was compiled by Rabe von Randow. Its form is practically identical to that of the first four volumes, some additions having been made to the subject list.

Simulation with Arena - W. David Kelton 2004

The first edition of this book was the first text to be written on the Arena software, which is a very popular simulation modeling software. What makes this text the authoritative source on Arena is that it was written by the creators of Arena themselves. The new third edition follows in the tradition of the successful first and second editions in its tutorial style (via a sequence of carefully crafted examples) and an accessible writing style. The updates include thorough coverage of the new version of the Arena software (Arena 7.01), enhanced support for Excel and Access, and updated examples to reflect the new version of software. The CD-ROM that accompanies the book contains the Academic version of the Arena software. The software features new capabilities such as model documentation, enhanced plots, file reading and writing, printing and animation symbols.

Energy Research Abstracts - 1993

Semiannual, with semiannual and annual indexes.

References to all scientific and technical literature coming from DOE, its laboratories, energy centers, and contractors. Includes all works deriving from DOE, other related government-sponsored information, and foreign nonnuclear information. Arranged under 39 categories, e.g., Biomedical sciences, basic studies; Biomedical sciences, applied studies; Health and safety; and Fusion energy. Entry gives bibliographical information and abstract. Corporate, author, subject, report number indexes.

Quality Management for Organizations Using Lean Six

Sigma Techniques - Erick Jones 2014-02-25

The next step in the evolution of the organizational quality field, Lean Six Sigma (LSS) has come of age. However, many challenges to using LSS in lieu of, in conjunction with, or integrated with other quality initiatives remain. An update on the current focus of quality management, *Quality Management for Organizations Using Lean Six Sigma Techniques* covers the concepts and principles of Lean Six Sigma and its origins in quality, total quality management (TQM), and statistical process control (SPC), and then explores how it can be integrated into manufacturing, logistics, and healthcare operations. The book presents the background on quality and Lean Six Sigma (LSS) techniques and tools, previous history of LSS in manufacturing, and current applications of LSS in operations such as logistics and healthcare. It provides a decision model for choosing whether to use LSS or other quality initiatives, which projects should be selected and prioritized, and what to do with non-LSS projects. The author also details an integration model for integrating and developing integrated LSS and other quality initiatives, and common mathematical techniques that you can use for performing LSS statistical calculations. He describes methods to attain the different Six Sigma certifications, and closes with discussion of future directions of Lean Six Sigma and quality. Case studies illustrate the integration of LSS principles into other quality initiatives, highlighting best practices as well as successful and failed integrations. This guide gives you a balanced description of the good, bad, and ugly in integrating LSS into modern operations, giving you the understanding necessary to immediately apply the concepts to your quality processes.

Models, Algorithms, and Technologies for Network Analysis - Boris I. Goldengorin 2013-09-21

This volume contains two types of papers—a selection of contributions from the “Second International Conference in Network Analysis” held in Nizhny Novgorod on May 7–9, 2012, and papers submitted to an “open call for papers” reflecting the activities of LATNA at the Higher School for Economics. This volume contains many new results in modeling and powerful algorithmic solutions applied to problems in • vehicle routing • single machine scheduling • modern financial markets • cell formation in group technology • brain activities of left- and right-handers • speeding up algorithms for the maximum clique problem • analysis and applications of different measures in clustering The broad range of applications that can be described and analyzed by means of a network brings together researchers, practitioners, and other scientific communities from numerous fields such as Operations Research, Computer Science, Transportation, Energy, Social Sciences, and more. The contributions not only come from different fields, but also cover a broad range of topics relevant to the theory and practice of network analysis. Researchers, students, and engineers from various disciplines will benefit from the state-of-the-art in models, algorithms, technologies, and techniques presented.

Economic Evaluation of Advance Technologies - Jerome P. Lavelle 2001-12-14

This text illuminates the contemporary issues and technologies related to the economic evaluation and justification of advanced technologies. Included are modern tools, as well as application-based cases that demonstrate the use of these tools. Students, researchers and decision makers will benefit from this

useful resource.

Combinatorial Optimization - Raffaele Cerulli 2016-09-09

This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post-conference proceedings of the 4th International Symposium on Combinatorial Optimization, ISCO 2016, held in Vietri sul Mare, Italy, in May 2016. The 38 revised full papers presented in this book were carefully reviewed and selected from 98 submissions. They present original research on all aspects of combinatorial optimization, such as algorithms and complexity; mathematical programming; operations research; stochastic optimization; and graphs and combinatorics. Research Methods and Solutions to Current Transport

Problems - Mirosław Siergiejczyk 2019-09-18

The book is dedicated as an auxiliary literature for academic staff of universities, research institutes, as well as for students of transport teaching. The aim of the conference was to present the achievements of national and foreign research and scientific centers dealing with the issues of rail, road, air and sea transport in technical and technological aspects, as well as organization and integration of the environment conducting research and education in the discipline of civil engineering and transport. International Scientific Conference Transport of the 21st Century was held in Ryn, Poland, in the 9th–12th of June 2019. The research areas of the conference were as follows: • transport infrastructure and communication engineering, • construction and operation of means of transport, • logistics engineering and transport technology, • organization and planning of transport, including public transport, • traffic control systems in transport, • transport telematics and intelligent transportation systems, • smart city and electromobility, • safety

engineering and ecology in transport, • automation of means of transport. It also used by specialists from central and local government authorities in the area of deepening knowledge of modern technologies and solutions used for planning, managing and operating transport.

Practical Applications of Fuzzy Technologies - Hans-Jürgen Zimmermann 1999-11-30

Covers applications of fuzzy technology, in sections on engineering and natural sciences, medicine, management, and behavioral, cognitive, and social sciences, with a final section on tools. Specific subjects include fuzzy control in the process industry, ecological modeling and data analysis, fuzzy logic and possibility theory in biomedical engineering, fuzzy sets methodologies in actuarial science, fuzzy set theory and applications in psychology, fuzzy sets in human factors and ergonomics, and software methodology and design tools. Further topics include strategic planning, image processing in medicine, and fuzzy and crisp approaches to production planning and scheduling.

Supply Chain Sustainability and Raw Material Management: Concepts and Processes - Farahani, Reza Zanjirani 2011-12-31

Many organizations find supply chain management an essential prerequisite to building a sustainable competitive edge for their services or products. While interest in SCM is enormous, lack of theoretical frameworks and real world applications often characterizes research in the field, and effective management of the supply chain remains elusive. Supply Chain Sustainability and Raw Material Management: Concepts and Processes is a comprehensive and up-to-date resource for operations researchers, management scientists, industrial engineers, and other business

practitioners and specialists looking for systemic and advanced discussions of supply chain management. By presenting qualitative concepts, quantitative models, and case studies, this book is a coherent guide to creating long-term and sustainable performance for organizations who want to compete in the global market. Toward the Factory of the Future - Hans-Jörg Bullinger 2013-12-14

The International Conference on Production Research has a good tradition: The first Conference was held in Birmingham 1971 with 61 participants. With respect to the decision that the Conference should be held every second year, by this time the Conference has been held in the following countries: Birmingham (1971, UK), Copenhagen (1973, Denmark), Amhurst (1975, USA), Tokyo (1977, Japan), Amsterdam (1979, The Netherlands), Novi Sad (1981, Yugoslavia), Windsor (1983, Canada), Stuttgart (1985, Germany), and the next Conference will take place in Cincinnati (1987, USA). The number of submitted abstracts and papers was continuously increasing such that the Programme Committee of this actual 8th Conference on Production Research has been forced to introduce a further refereeing procedure. Each submitted abstract was presented to at least two referees. This resulted not only in a reduction of the number of presented full papers and poster contributions but, as the Programme Committee and the Editors hope, it led also to a considerable increase in the scientific quality of this 8th International Conference on Production Research. The preceding conference in Windsor, Canada, was dedicated to the topic: Production Research as a Means of Productivity Improvement. We don't believe that this statement has become untrue in the meanwhile.

Facilities Design - Sunderesh S. Heragu 2018-10-08
Now in Its Fourth Edition: Your Guide to Successful Facility Design Overcome design and planning problems using the fourth edition of Facilities Design. Dedicated to the proper design, layout, and location of facilities, this definitive guide outlines the main design and operational problems that occur in manufacturing and service systems, explains the significance of facility design and planning problems, and describes how mathematical models can be used to help analyze and solve them. Combining theory with practice, this revised work presents state-of-the-art topics in materials handling, warehousing, and logistics along with real-world examples that emphasize the importance of modeling and analysis when determining a solution to complex facility design problems. What's New in the Fourth Edition: The latest version introduces new material that includes handling equipment and systems, and presents relevant case studies in each and every chapter. It also provides access to Layout-iQ software, data files for many of the numerical examples that are contained throughout the book, and PowerPoint files for various chapters. Additionally, the author: Describes tools commonly used for presenting layout designs Presents traditional models for facility layout including the popular systematic layout planning (SLP) model in detail Provides a layout project involving the SLP model Covers group technology and cellular manufacturing at the elementary level Includes a project and case study on machine grouping and layout Considers next-generation factory layouts Discusses analytical queuing and queuing network models, and more Facilities Design, Fourth Edition explains the ins and outs of facility planning and design. A reference for both

student and professional, the book addresses facilities design and layout problems in manufacturing systems and covers layout, logistics, supply chain, warehousing, and materials handling. Please visit the author's website for ancillary materials:
<http://sundere.okstate.edu/downloadable-software-program-s-and-data-files>.

Swarm Intelligence - Felix Chan 2007-12-01
In the era globalisation the emerging technologies are governing engineering industries to a multifaceted state. The escalating complexity has demanded researchers to find the possible ways of easing the solution of the problems. This has motivated the researchers to grasp ideas from the nature and implant it in the engineering sciences. This way of thinking led to emergence of many biologically inspired algorithms that have proven to be efficient in handling the computationally complex problems with competence such as Genetic Algorithm (GA), Ant Colony Optimization (ACO), Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), etc. Motivated by the capability of the biologically inspired algorithms the present book on "Swarm Intelligence: Focus on Ant and Particle Swarm Optimization" aims to present recent developments and applications concerning optimization with swarm intelligence techniques. The papers selected for this book comprise a cross-section of topics that reflect a variety of perspectives and disciplinary backgrounds. In addition to the introduction of new concepts of swarm intelligence, this book also presented some selected representative case studies covering power plant maintenance scheduling; geotechnical engineering; design and machining tolerances; layout problems; manufacturing process plan; job-shop scheduling; structural design; environmental dispatching problems;

wireless communication; water distribution systems; multi-plant supply chain; fault diagnosis of airplane engines; and process scheduling. I believe these 27 chapters presented in this book adequately reflect these topics.

Production and Inventory Management with Substitutions - J. Christian Lang 2009-11-25

Quantitative approaches for solving production planning and inventory management problems in industry have gained growing importance in the past years. Due to the increasing use of Advanced Planning Systems, a widespread practical application of the sophisticated optimization models and algorithms developed by the Production Management and Operations Research community now seem within reach. The possibility that products can be replaced by certain substitute products exists in various application areas of production planning and inventory management. Substitutions can be useful for a number of reasons, among others to circumvent production and supply bottlenecks and disruptions, increase the service level, reduce setup costs and times, and lower inventories and thereby decrease capital lockup. Considering the current trend in industry towards shorter product life cycles and greater product variety, the importance of substitutions appears likely to grow. Closely related to substitutions are flexible bills-of-materials and recipes in multi-level production systems. However, so far, the aspect of substitutions has not attracted much attention in academic literature. Existing lot-sizing models matching complex requirements of industrial optimization problems (e.g., constrained capacities, sequence-dependent setups, multiple resources) such as the Capacitated Lot-Sizing Problem with Sequence-Dependent Setups (CLSD) and the General

Lot-Sizing and Scheduling Problem for Multiple Production Stages (GLSPMS) do not feature in substitution options.

Advances in Deterministic and Stochastic Analysis -

Applied Calculus - Geoffrey C. Berresford 2012-01-01

This text uses intriguing real-world applications to engage readers' interest and show them the practical side of calculus. The book's many applications are related to finance, business, and such general-interest topics as learning curves in airplane production, the age of the Dead Sea Scrolls, Apple and Oracle stock prices, the distance traveled by sports cars, lives saved by seat belts, and the cost of a congressional victory. The Sixth Edition maintains the hallmark features that have made APPLIED CALCULUS so popular: contemporary and interesting applications; careful and effective use of technology, including graphing calculator and spreadsheet coverage; constant pedagogical reinforcement through section summaries, chapter summaries, annotated examples, and extra practice problems; Just-in-Time algebra review material; and a variety of exercises that allow readers to practice and hone their problem-solving skills. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Process Planning and Scheduling for Distributed Manufacturing - Lihui Wang 2007-05-14

This is the first book to focus on emerging technologies for distributed intelligent decision-making in process planning and dynamic scheduling. It has two sections: a review of several key areas of research, and an in-depth treatment of particular techniques. Each chapter

addresses a specific problem domain and offers practical solutions to solve it. The book provides a better understanding of the present state and future trends of research in this area.

Evolutionary Computation in Combinatorial Optimization - Christine Zarges 2021-03-26

This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 21st European Conference on Evolutionary Computation in Combinatorial Optimization, EvoCOP 2021, held as part of Evo*2021, as Virtual Event, in April 2021, co-located with the Evo*2021 events: EvoMUSART, EvoApplications, and EuroGP. The 14 revised full papers presented in this book were carefully reviewed and selected from 42 submissions. They cover a wide spectrum of topics, ranging from the foundations of evolutionary algorithms and other search heuristics to their accurate design and application to combinatorial optimization problems. Fundamental and methodological aspects deal with runtime analysis, the structural properties of fitness landscapes, the study of core components of metaheuristics, the clever design of their search principles, and their careful selection and configuration. Applications cover problem domains such as scheduling, routing, search-based software engineering and general graph problems. The range of topics covered in this volume reflects the current state of research in the fields of evolutionary computation and combinatorial optimization.

Knapsack Problems - Hans Kellerer 2013-03-19

Thirteen years have passed since the seminal book on knapsack problems by Martello and Toth appeared. On this occasion a former colleague exclaimed back in 1990: "How can you write 250 pages on the knapsack problem?" Indeed, the definition of the knapsack problem is easily

understood even by a non-expert who will not suspect the presence of challenging research topics in this area at the first glance. However, in the last decade a large number of research publications contributed new results for the knapsack problem in all areas of interest such as exact algorithms, heuristics and approximation schemes. Moreover, the extension of the knapsack problem to higher dimensions both in the number of constraints and in the number of knapsacks, as well as the modification of the problem structure concerning the available item set and the objective function, leads to a number of interesting variations of practical relevance which were the subject of intensive research during the last few years. Hence, two years ago the idea arose to produce a new monograph covering not only the most recent developments of the standard knapsack problem, but also giving a comprehensive treatment of the whole knapsack family including the siblings such as the subset sum problem and the bounded and unbounded knapsack problem, and also more distant relatives such as multidimensional, multiple, multiple-choice and quadratic knapsack problems in dedicated chapters.

The software catalog microcomputers - Menu (Firm) (Fort Collins, Colo.) 1989

Metaheuristics for Scheduling in Industrial and Manufacturing Applications - Fatos Xhafa 2008-08-22

During the past decades scheduling has been among the most studied optimization problems and it is still an active area of research! Scheduling appears in many areas of science, engineering and industry and takes different forms depending on the restrictions and optimization criteria of the operating environments [8]. For instance, in optimization and computer science,

scheduling has been defined as “the allocation of tasks to resources over time in order to achieve optimality in one or more objective criteria in an efficient way” and in production as “production schedule, i. e. , the planning of the production or the sequence of operations according to which jobs pass through machines and is optimal with respect to certain optimization criteria. ” Although there is a standardized form of stating any scheduling problem, namely “efficient allocation of jobs on machines –which can process no more than one activity at a time– with the objective to optimize some objective function of the job completion times”, scheduling is in fact a family of problems. Indeed,

several parameters intervene in the problem definition: (a) job characteristics (preemptive or not, precedence constraints, release dates, etc.); (b) resource environment (single vs. parallel machines, unrelated machines, identical or uniform machines, etc.); (c) optimization criteria (minimize total tardiness, the number of late jobs, makespan, flowtime, etc. ; maximize resource utilization, etc.); and, (d) scheduling environment (static vs. dynamic, in the former the number of jobs to be considered and their ready times are available while in the latter the number of jobs and their characteristics change over time).