

ALIENOR METHOD FOR SOLVING THE 0-1 QUADRATIC KNAPSACK PROBLEM

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Abstract

The quadratic knapsack problem (QKP) is the problem of maximizing a quadratic objective function subject to a single knapsack constraint. It is a well-known NP-hard combinatorial problem. In this paper, we examine the use of Alienor method for solving QKP. Alienor method is a new global optimization algorithm based on a simple idea consisting in approximating an n variables function by a single variable function by using α -dense curves. These curves have the property to “fill the space”. The results show that the performance of the Alienor method is confirmed for problems with fewer than 80 variables.

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