TSPortraits of Knots and Links

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This is!

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One loop variation 1

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One loop variation 2

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One loop variation 3

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Knot?

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One fish, two fish, red fish, black fish

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Outside Ring

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Solving TSPs with IP:



Eighth Judicial Circuit traveled by Lincoln in 1850.

Objective: minimize length of tour total cost = $\Sigma (c_e x_e : \text{all edges } e)$

Constraints: each city v must be touched twice $\Sigma(x_e: \text{ all edges } e \text{ that touch } v) = 2$

Solving TSPs with IP (DFJ formulation):

Variables: $x_e = 1$ if edge *e* is used in the tour

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 Σ (x_e : all *e* w/both endpts in S) < |S| $\forall S$

An example:

Stage 1: 6 subtours.

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Stage 2: 4 more subtours.

Stage 3: 4 more subtours.

Stage 4: 3 more subtours.

Stage 5: success!

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Note:

A and B lie on the same side of the tour

 $\Sigma(x_e : \text{all edges } e \text{ in } \chi(l_{A,B}))$ is even

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Equivalently:

A and B lie on opposite sides of the tour

 $\Sigma(x_e: \text{all edges } e \text{ in } \chi(l_{A,B}))$ is odd

 $\Sigma (x_e : \text{all edges } e \text{ in } \chi(l_{A,B})) = 2 y_{A,B} + 1$

The 'Big' Idea:

Use

 $\Sigma (x_e : \text{all edges } e \text{ in } \chi(l_{A,B})) = 2 y_{A,B}$ and/or $\Sigma (x_e : \text{all edges } e \text{ in } \chi(l_{A,B})) = 2 y_{A,B} + 1$ in the DFJ IP formulation.

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