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## **Bioinspired Computation in Combinatorial Optimization** - Frank Neumann 2010-11-04

Bioinspired computation methods such as evolutionary algorithms and ant colony

optimization are being applied successfully to complex engineering problems and to problems from combinatorial optimization, and with this comes the requirement to more fully understand

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the computational complexity of these search heuristics. This is the first textbook covering the most important results achieved in this area. The authors study the computational complexity of bioinspired computation and show how runtime behavior can be analyzed in a rigorous way using some of the best-known combinatorial optimization problems -- minimum spanning trees, shortest paths, maximum matching, covering and scheduling problems. A feature of the book is the separate treatment of single- and multiobjective problems, the latter a domain where the development of the underlying theory seems to be lagging practical successes. This book will be very valuable for teaching courses on bioinspired computation and combinatorial optimization. Researchers will also benefit as the presentation of the theory covers the most important developments in the field over the last 10 years. Finally, with a focus on well-studied combinatorial optimization problems rather than toy problems, the book will also be very valuable

for practitioners in this field.

**Combinatorial Optimization** - William J. Cook  
2011-09-30

A complete, highly accessible introduction to one of today's most exciting areas of applied mathematics. One of the youngest, most vital areas of applied mathematics, combinatorial optimization integrates techniques from combinatorics, linear programming, and the theory of algorithms. Because of its success in solving difficult problems in areas from telecommunications to VLSI, from product distribution to airline crew scheduling, the field has seen a ground swell of activity over the past decade. Combinatorial Optimization is an ideal introduction to this mathematical discipline for advanced undergraduates and graduate students of discrete mathematics, computer science, and operations research. Written by a team of recognized experts, the text offers a thorough, highly accessible treatment of both classical concepts and recent results. The topics include: \*

Network flow problems \* Optimal matching \* Integrality of polyhedra \* Matroids \* NP-completeness Featuring logical and consistent exposition, clear explanations of basic and advanced concepts, many real-world examples, and helpful, skill-building exercises, Combinatorial Optimization is certain to become the standard text in the field for many years to come.

**Linear Programming** - Vasek Chvatal  
1983-09-15

"This comprehensive treatment of the fundamental ideas and principles of linear programming covers basic theory, selected applications, network flow problems, and advanced techniques. Using specific examples to illuminate practical and theoretical aspects of the subject, the author clearly reveals the structures of fully detailed proofs. The presentation is geared toward modern efficient implementations of the simplex method and appropriate data structures for network flow

problems. Completely self-contained, it develops even elementary facts on linear equations and matrices from the beginning."--Back cover.

**Algorithms** -

Graphs, Networks and Algorithms - Dieter Jungnickel 2013-06-29

Revised throughout Includes new chapters on the network simplex algorithm and a section on the five color theorem Recent developments are discussed

**Combinatorial Optimization** - Eugene Lawler  
2012-10-16

Perceptive text examines shortest paths, network flows, bipartite and nonbipartite matching, matroids and the greedy algorithm, matroid intersections, and the matroid parity problems. Suitable for courses in combinatorial computing and concrete computational complexity.

*Introduction to Graph Theory* - Richard J. Trudeau 2013-04-15

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Aimed at "the mathematically traumatized," this text offers nontechnical coverage of graph theory, with exercises. Discusses planar graphs, Euler's formula, Platonic graphs, coloring, the genus of a graph, Euler walks, Hamilton walks, more. 1976 edition.

**New Optimization Algorithms in Physics -**

Alexander K. Hartmann 2006-03-06

Many physicists are not aware of the fact that they can solve their problems by applying optimization algorithms. Since the number of such algorithms is steadily increasing, many new algorithms have not been presented comprehensively until now. This presentation of recently developed algorithms applied in physics, including demonstrations of how they work and related results, aims to encourage their application, and as such the algorithms selected cover concepts and methods from statistical physics to optimization problems emerging in theoretical computer science.

*A First Course in Combinatorial Optimization -*

Jon Lee 2004-02-09

*A First Course in Combinatorial Optimization* is a text for a one-semester introductory graduate-level course for students of operations research, mathematics, and computer science. It is a self-contained treatment of the subject, requiring only some mathematical maturity. Topics include: linear and integer programming, polytopes, matroids and matroid optimization, shortest paths, and network flows. Central to the exposition is the polyhedral viewpoint, which is the key principle underlying the successful integer-programming approach to combinatorial-optimization problems. Another key unifying topic is matroids. The author does not dwell on data structures and implementation details, preferring to focus on the key mathematical ideas that lead to useful models and algorithms. Problems and exercises are included throughout as well as references for further study.

**Graphs and Algorithms -** Michel Gondran

1984-03-22

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Generalities about graphs. The shortest path problem in a graph. Path algebras. Trees and arborescences. Flows and transportation networks. Flows with gains. Multicommodity flows. Matchings and b-matchings. Eulerian and hamiltonian walks. Matroids. Non-polynomial problems. Branch and bound algorithms. Approximate algorithms. Linear programming. Integer linear programming. Lagrangean relaxation and solving the dual problem. Dynamic programming. Minimum ratio problems.

### **Handbook of Combinatorial Optimization -**

Ding-Zhu Du 2006-08-18

This is a supplementary volume to the major three-volume Handbook of Combinatorial Optimization set. It can also be regarded as a stand-alone volume presenting chapters dealing with various aspects of the subject in a self-contained way.

*Minimax and Applications* - Ding-Zhu Du  
2013-12-01

Techniques and principles of minimax theory play a key role in many areas of research, including game theory, optimization, and computational complexity. In general, a minimax problem can be formulated as  $\min \max f(x, y)$  (1) where  $f(x, y)$  is a function defined on the product of  $X$  and  $Y$  spaces. There are two basic issues regarding minimax problems: The first issue concerns the establishment of sufficient and necessary conditions for equality  $\min \max f(x, y) = \max \min f(x, y)$ . (2) The classical minimax theorem of von Neumann is a result of this type. Duality theory in linear and convex quadratic programming interprets minimax theory in a different way. The second issue concerns the establishment of sufficient and necessary conditions for values of the variables  $x$  and  $y$  that achieve the global minimax function value  $f(x^*, y^*) = \min \max f(x, y)$ . (3) There are two developments in minimax theory that we would like to mention.

Combinatorial Optimization - Christos H.

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Papadimitriou 1982

Local Search in Combinatorial Optimization -  
Emile Aarts 2003-08-03

In the past three decades, local search has grown from a simple heuristic idea into a mature field of research in combinatorial optimization that is attracting ever-increasing attention. Local search is still the method of choice for NP-hard problems as it provides a robust approach for obtaining high-quality solutions to problems of a realistic size in reasonable time. Local Search in Combinatorial Optimization covers local search and its variants from both a theoretical and practical point of view, each topic discussed by a leading authority. This book is an important reference and invaluable source of inspiration for students and researchers in discrete mathematics, computer science, operations research, industrial engineering, and management science. In addition to the editors, the contributors are Mihalis Yannakakis, Craig

A. Tovey, Jan H. M. Korst, Peter J. M. van Laarhoven, Alain Hertz, Eric Taillard, Dominique de Werra, Heinz Mühlenbein, Carsten Peterson, Bo Söderberg, David S. Johnson, Lyle A. McGeoch, Michel Gendreau, Gilbert Laporte, Jean-Yves Potvin, Gerard A. P. Kindervater, Martin W. P. Savelsbergh, Edward J. Anderson, Celia A. Glass, Chris N. Potts, C. L. Liu, Peichen Pan, Iiro Honkala, and Patric R. J. Östergård.  
Turing (A Novel about Computation) - Christos H. Papadimitriou 2005-02-11

The world of computation according to Turing, an interactive tutoring program, as told to star-crossed lovers: a novel. Our hero is Turing, an interactive tutoring program and namesake (or virtual emanation?) of Alan Turing, World War II code breaker and father of computer science. In this unusual novel, Turing's idiosyncratic version of intellectual history from a computational point of view unfolds in tandem with the story of a love affair involving Ethel, a successful computer executive, Alexandros, a melancholy

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archaeologist, and Ian, a charismatic hacker. After Ethel (who shares her first name with Alan Turing's mother) abandons Alexandros following a sundrenched idyll on Corfu, Turing appears on Alexandros's computer screen to unfurl a tutorial on the history of ideas. He begins with the philosopher-mathematicians of ancient Greece—"discourse, dialogue, argument, proof... can only thrive in an egalitarian society"—and the Arab scholar in ninth-century Baghdad who invented algorithms; he moves on to many other topics, including cryptography and artificial intelligence, even economics and developmental biology. (These lessons are later critiqued amusingly and developed further in postings by a fictional newsgroup in the book's afterword.) As Turing's lectures progress, the lives of Alexandros, Ethel, and Ian converge in dramatic fashion, and the story takes us from Corfu to Hong Kong, from Athens to San Francisco—and of course to the Internet, the disruptive technological and social force that emerges as

the main locale and protagonist of the novel. Alternately pedagogical and romantic, Turing (A Novel about Computation) should appeal both to students and professionals who want a clear and entertaining account of the development of computation and to the general reader who enjoys novels of ideas.

### **Mathematics for Algorithm and Systems**

**Analysis** - Edward A. Bender 2005-01-01

Discrete mathematics is fundamental to computer science, and this up-to-date text assists undergraduates in mastering the ideas and mathematical language to address problems that arise in the field's many applications. It consists of 4 units of study: counting and listing, functions, decision trees and recursion, and basic concepts of graph theory.

*Numerical Optimization* - Jorge Nocedal  
2006-12-11

Optimization is an important tool used in decision science and for the analysis of physical systems used in engineering. One can trace its

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roots to the Calculus of Variations and the work of Euler and Lagrange. This natural and reasonable approach to mathematical programming covers numerical methods for finite-dimensional optimization problems. It begins with very simple ideas progressing through more complicated concepts, concentrating on methods for both unconstrained and constrained optimization.

### **Theory of Linear and Integer Programming -**

Alexander Schrijver 1998-06-11

Theory of Linear and Integer Programming  
Alexander Schrijver Centrum voor Wiskunde en Informatica, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
This book describes the theory of linear and integer programming and surveys the algorithms for linear and integer programming problems, focusing on complexity analysis. It aims at complementing the more practically oriented books in this field. A special feature is the author's coverage of important recent developments in linear and integer

programming. Applications to combinatorial optimization are given, and the author also includes extensive historical surveys and bibliographies. The book is intended for graduate students and researchers in operations research, mathematics and computer science. It will also be of interest to mathematical historians. Contents 1 Introduction and preliminaries; 2 Problems, algorithms, and complexity; 3 Linear algebra and complexity; 4 Theory of lattices and linear diophantine equations; 5 Algorithms for linear diophantine equations; 6 Diophantine approximation and basis reduction; 7 Fundamental concepts and results on polyhedra, linear inequalities, and linear programming; 8 The structure of polyhedra; 9 Polarity, and blocking and anti-blocking polyhedra; 10 Sizes and the theoretical complexity of linear inequalities and linear programming; 11 The simplex method; 12 Primal-dual, elimination, and relaxation methods; 13 Khachiyan's method for linear

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programming; 14 The ellipsoid method for polyhedra more generally; 15 Further polynomiality results in linear programming; 16 Introduction to integer linear programming; 17 Estimates in integer linear programming; 18 The complexity of integer linear programming; 19 Totally unimodular matrices: fundamental properties and examples; 20 Recognizing total unimodularity; 21 Further theory related to total unimodularity; 22 Integral polyhedra and total dual integrality; 23 Cutting planes; 24 Further methods in integer linear programming; Historical and further notes on integer linear programming; References; Notation index; Author index; Subject index

*Understanding and Using Linear Programming* - Jiri Matousek 2007-07-04

The book is an introductory textbook mainly for students of computer science and mathematics. Our guiding phrase is "what every theoretical computer scientist should know about linear programming". A major focus is on applications

of linear programming, both in practice and in theory. The book is concise, but at the same time, the main results are covered with complete proofs and in sufficient detail, ready for presentation in class. The book does not require more prerequisites than basic linear algebra, which is summarized in an appendix. One of its main goals is to help the reader to see linear programming "behind the scenes".

*Ant Colony Optimization* - Marco Dorigo  
2004-06-04

An overview of the rapidly growing field of ant colony optimization that describes theoretical findings, the major algorithms, and current applications. The complex social behaviors of ants have been much studied by science, and computer scientists are now finding that these behavior patterns can provide models for solving difficult combinatorial optimization problems. The attempt to develop algorithms inspired by one aspect of ant behavior, the ability to find what computer scientists would call shortest

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paths, has become the field of ant colony optimization (ACO), the most successful and widely recognized algorithmic technique based on ant behavior. This book presents an overview of this rapidly growing field, from its theoretical inception to practical applications, including descriptions of many available ACO algorithms and their uses. The book first describes the translation of observed ant behavior into working optimization algorithms. The ant colony metaheuristic is then introduced and viewed in the general context of combinatorial optimization. This is followed by a detailed description and guide to all major ACO algorithms and a report on current theoretical findings. The book surveys ACO applications now in use, including routing, assignment, scheduling, subset, machine learning, and bioinformatics problems. AntNet, an ACO algorithm designed for the network routing problem, is described in detail. The authors conclude by summarizing the progress in the

field and outlining future research directions. Each chapter ends with bibliographic material, bullet points setting out important ideas covered in the chapter, and exercises. Ant Colony Optimization will be of interest to academic and industry researchers, graduate students, and practitioners who wish to learn how to implement ACO algorithms.

[Algorithmic Aspects of Machine Learning](#) -

Ankur Moitra 2018-09-27

Introduces cutting-edge research on machine learning theory and practice, providing an accessible, modern algorithmic toolkit.

**Mathematics and Computation** - Avi

Wigderson 2019-10-29

An introduction to computational complexity theory, its connections and interactions with mathematics, and its central role in the natural and social sciences, technology, and philosophy Mathematics and Computation provides a broad, conceptual overview of computational complexity theory—the mathematical study of

efficient computation. With important practical applications to computer science and industry, computational complexity theory has evolved into a highly interdisciplinary field, with strong links to most mathematical areas and to a growing number of scientific endeavors. Avi Wigderson takes a sweeping survey of complexity theory, emphasizing the field's insights and challenges. He explains the ideas and motivations leading to key models, notions, and results. In particular, he looks at algorithms and complexity, computations and proofs, randomness and interaction, quantum and arithmetic computation, and cryptography and learning, all as parts of a cohesive whole with numerous cross-influences. Wigderson illustrates the immense breadth of the field, its beauty and richness, and its diverse and growing interactions with other areas of mathematics. He ends with a comprehensive look at the theory of computation, its methodology and aspirations, and the unique and fundamental ways in which

it has shaped and will further shape science, technology, and society. For further reading, an extensive bibliography is provided for all topics covered. Mathematics and Computation is useful for undergraduate and graduate students in mathematics, computer science, and related fields, as well as researchers and teachers in these fields. Many parts require little background, and serve as an invitation to newcomers seeking an introduction to the theory of computation. Comprehensive coverage of computational complexity theory, and beyond High-level, intuitive exposition, which brings conceptual clarity to this central and dynamic scientific discipline Historical accounts of the evolution and motivations of central concepts and models A broad view of the theory of computation's influence on science, technology, and society Extensive bibliography  
*Handbook of Graph Theory, Combinatorial Optimization, and Algorithms* - Krishnaiyan "KT" Thulasiraman 2016-01-05

The fusion between graph theory and combinatorial optimization has led to theoretically profound and practically useful algorithms, yet there is no book that currently covers both areas together. Handbook of Graph Theory, Combinatorial Optimization, and Algorithms is the first to present a unified, comprehensive treatment of both graph theory and c

### **Integer and Combinatorial Optimization -**

Laurence A. Wolsey 2014-08-28

Rave reviews for INTEGER AND

COMBINATORIAL OPTIMIZATION "This book provides an excellent introduction and survey of traditional fields of combinatorial optimization . .

. It is indeed one of the best and most complete texts on combinatorial optimization . . .

available. [And] with more than 700 entries, [it] has quite an exhaustive reference list."-Optima

"A unifying approach to optimization problems is to formulate them like linear programming problems, while restricting some or all of the

variables to the integers. This book is an encyclopedic resource for such formulations, as well as for understanding the structure of and solving the resulting integer programming problems."-Computing Reviews "[This book] can serve as a basis for various graduate courses on discrete optimization as well as a reference book for researchers and practitioners."-Mathematical Reviews "This comprehensive and wide-ranging book will undoubtedly become a standard reference book for all those in the field of combinatorial optimization."-Bulletin of the London Mathematical Society "This text should be required reading for anybody who intends to do research in this area or even just to keep abreast of developments."-Times Higher Education Supplement, London Also of interest . . . INTEGER PROGRAMMING Laurence A. Wolsey Comprehensive and self-contained, this intermediate-level guide to integer programming provides readers with clear, up-to-date explanations on why some problems are difficult

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to solve, how techniques can be reformulated to give better results, and how mixed integer programming systems can be used more effectively. 1998 (0-471-28366-5) 260 pp.

**Approximation Algorithms** - Vijay V. Vazirani  
2013-03-14

Covering the basic techniques used in the latest research work, the author consolidates progress made so far, including some very recent and promising results, and conveys the beauty and excitement of work in the field. He gives clear, lucid explanations of key results and ideas, with intuitive proofs, and provides critical examples and numerous illustrations to help elucidate the algorithms. Many of the results presented have been simplified and new insights provided. Of interest to theoretical computer scientists, operations researchers, and discrete mathematicians.

**Combinatorial Algorithms** - T. C. Hu  
2012-04-26

This updated edition presents algorithms for

shortest paths, maximum flows, dynamic programming and backtracking. Also discusses binary trees, heuristic and near optimums, matrix multiplication, and NP-complete problems. Includes 153 black-and-white illustrations and 23 tables.

**Combinatorial Optimization** - Bernhard Korte  
2006-01-27

This well-written textbook on combinatorial optimization puts special emphasis on theoretical results and algorithms with provably good performance, in contrast to heuristics. The book contains complete (but concise) proofs, as well as many deep results, some of which have not appeared in any previous books.

**Approximation and Complexity in Numerical Optimization** - Panos M. Pardalos  
2000-05-31

There has been much recent progress in approximation algorithms for nonconvex continuous and discrete problems from both a theoretical and a practical perspective. In discrete (or combinatorial) optimization many

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approaches have been developed recently that link the discrete universe to the continuous universe through geometric, analytic, and algebraic techniques. Such techniques include global optimization formulations, semidefinite programming, and spectral theory. As a result new approximate algorithms have been discovered and many new computational approaches have been developed. Similarly, for many continuous nonconvex optimization problems, new approximate algorithms have been developed based on semidefinite programming and new randomization techniques. On the other hand, computational complexity, originating from the interactions between computer science and numerical optimization, is one of the major theories that have revolutionized the approach to solving optimization problems and to analyzing their intrinsic difficulty. The main focus of complexity is the study of whether existing algorithms are efficient for the solution of problems, and which problems are likely to be

tractable. The quest for developing efficient algorithms leads also to elegant general approaches for solving optimization problems, and reveals surprising connections among problems and their solutions. A conference on Approximation and Complexity in Numerical Optimization: Continuous and Discrete Problems was held during February 28 to March 2, 1999 at the Center for Applied Optimization of the University of Florida.

*Combinatorial Optimization -- Eureka, You Shrink!* - Michael Jünger 2003-07-01

This book is dedicated to Jack Edmonds in appreciation of his groundbreaking work that laid the foundations for a broad variety of subsequent results achieved in combinatorial optimization. The main part consists of 13 revised full papers on current topics in combinatorial optimization, presented at Aussois 2001, the Fifth Aussois Workshop on Combinatorial Optimization, March 5-9, 2001, and dedicated to Jack Edmonds. Additional

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highlights in this book are an account of an Aussois 2001 special session dedicated to Jack Edmonds including a speech given by William R. Pulleyblank as well as newly typeset versions of three up-to-now hardly accessible classical papers:- Submodular Functions, Matroids, and Certain Polyhedra; Matching: A Well-Solved Class of Integer Linear Programs; Theoretical Improvements in Algorithmic Efficiency for Network Flow Problems; Theoretical Improvements in Algorithmic Efficiency for Network Flow Problems; Theoretical Improvements in Algorithmic Efficiency for Network Flow Problems; by Jack Edmonds and Ellis L. Johnson; Theoretical Improvements in Algorithmic Efficiency for Network Flow Problems; by Jack Edmonds and Richard M. Karp.

**Combinatorial Optimization** - Christos H. Papadimitriou 1998-01-01

Clearly written graduate-level text considers the Soviet ellipsoid algorithm for linear programming; efficient algorithms for network flow, matching, spanning trees, and matroids; the theory of NP-complete problems; approximation algorithms, local search heuristics for NP-complete problems, more.

"Mathematicians wishing a self-contained introduction need look no further." — American Mathematical Monthly. 1982 edition.

**Recent Advances and Historical Development of Vector Optimization** -

Johannes Jahn 2012-12-06

In vector optimization one investigates optimization problems in an abstract setting which have a not necessarily real-valued objective function. This scientific discipline is closely related to multi-objective optimization and multi-criteria decision making. This book contains refereed contributions to the "International Conference on Vector Optimization" held at the Technical University of Darmstadt from August 4-7, 1986. This meeting was an interdisciplinary forum devoted to new results in the theory, to applications as well as to the solution of vector optimization problems which are relevant in practice. Because of the great variety of topics covered by the contributions, the 25 articles of this volume are

organized in different sections: Historical retrospect, mathematical theory, goal setting and decision making, engineering applications, and related topics. The papers of the invited State-of-the-Art Tutorials given by Professors J.M. Borwein, H. Eschenauer, W. Stadler and P.L. Yu are also included.

#### Geometric Algorithms and Combinatorial Optimization - Martin Grötschel 2012-12-06

Historically, there is a close connection between geometry and optimization. This is illustrated by methods like the gradient method and the simplex method, which are associated with clear geometric pictures. In combinatorial optimization, however, many of the strongest and most frequently used algorithms are based on the discrete structure of the problems: the greedy algorithm, shortest path and alternating path methods, branch-and-bound, etc. In the last several years geometric methods, in particular polyhedral combinatorics, have played a more and more profound role in combinatorial

optimization as well. Our book discusses two recent geometric algorithms that have turned out to have particularly interesting consequences in combinatorial optimization, at least from a theoretical point of view. These algorithms are able to utilize the rich body of results in polyhedral combinatorics. The first of these algorithms is the ellipsoid method, developed for nonlinear programming by N. Z. Shor, D. B. Yudin, and A. S. Nemirovskii. It was a great surprise when L. G. Khachiyan showed that this method can be adapted to solve linear programs in polynomial time, thus solving an important open theoretical problem. While the ellipsoid method has not proved to be competitive with the simplex method in practice, it does have some features which make it particularly suited for the purposes of combinatorial optimization. The second algorithm we discuss finds its roots in the classical "geometry of numbers", developed by Minkowski. This method has had traditionally

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deep applications in number theory, in particular in diophantine approximation.

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**Combinatorial Optimization** - Gerard

Cornuejols 2001-01-01

New and elegant proofs of classical results and makes difficult results accessible.

**Computational Complexity** - Sanjeev Arora

2009-04-20

New and classical results in computational complexity, including interactive proofs, PCP, derandomization, and quantum computation.

Ideal for graduate students.

Combinatorial Optimization - Alexander

Schrijver 2003-02-12

From the reviews: "About 30 years ago, when I was a student, the first book on combinatorial optimization came out referred to as "the Lawler" simply. I think that now, with this volume Springer has landed a coup: "The Schrijver". The book is offered for less than 90.- EURO, which to my opinion is one of the best deals after the introduction of this currency." OR-Spectrum

**The Traveling Salesman Problem** - D.B.

Shmoys 1985

The Traveling Salesman Problem is central to the area of Combinatorial Optimization, and it is through this problem that many of the most important developments in the area have been made. This book focuses on essential ideas; through them it illustrates all the concepts and techniques of combinatorial optimization concisely but comprehensively. The extensive reference list and numerous exercises direct the reader towards related fields, and give results. Each of the twelve chapters in this volume is

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concerned with a specific aspect of the Traveling Salesman Problem, and is written by an authority on that aspect. It is hoped, that the book will serve as a state-of-the-art survey of the Traveling Salesman problem which will encourage further investigations, and that it will also be useful for its comprehensive coverage of the techniques of combinatorial optimization.

*Twenty Lectures on Algorithmic Game Theory* -

Tim Roughgarden 2016-08-30

Computer science and economics have engaged in a lively interaction over the past fifteen years, resulting in the new field of algorithmic game theory. Many problems that are central to modern computer science, ranging from resource allocation in large networks to online advertising, involve interactions between multiple self-interested parties. Economics and game theory offer a host of useful models and definitions to reason about such problems. The flow of ideas also travels in the other direction, and concepts from computer science are

increasingly important in economics. This book grew out of the author's Stanford University course on algorithmic game theory, and aims to give students and other newcomers a quick and accessible introduction to many of the most important concepts in the field. The book also includes case studies on online advertising, wireless spectrum auctions, kidney exchange, and network management.

*Convex Optimization* - Stephen Boyd 2004-03-08

A comprehensive introduction to the tools, techniques and applications of convex optimization.

**Computational Complexity** - Christos H. Papadimitriou 1994

The first unified introduction and reference for the field of computational complexity. Virtually non-existent only 25 years ago, computational complexity has expanded tremendously and now comprises a major part of the research activity in theoretical science.