

Single machine scheduling and outbound delivery problems

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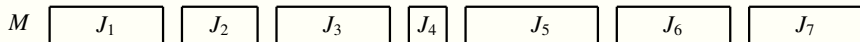


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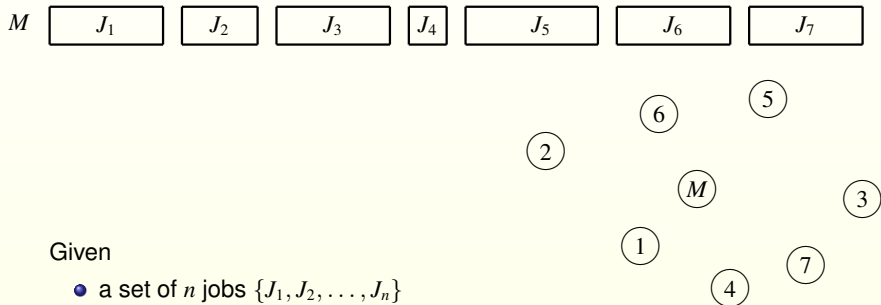


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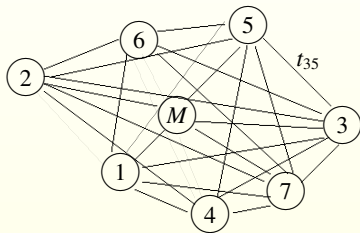
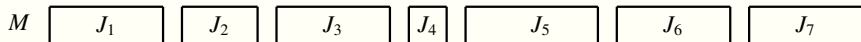
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Each job must be delivered and belong to exactly one route.

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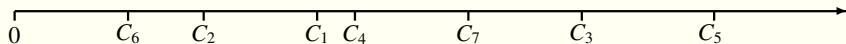
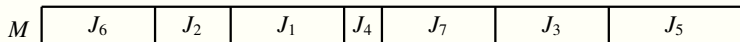
Given

- a single vehicle with a capacity c
- a size of s_j for each job J_j
- the traveling time between i and j is t_{ij}

The set of jobs delivered during a single round trip constitutes a batch

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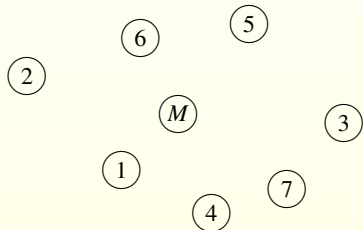
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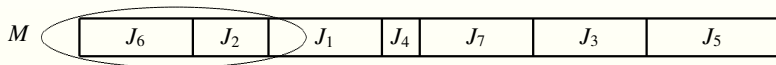
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where C_j is the completion time of J_j



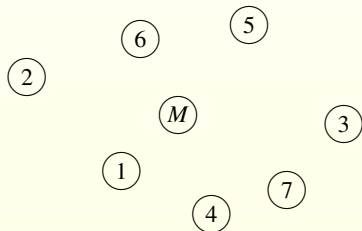
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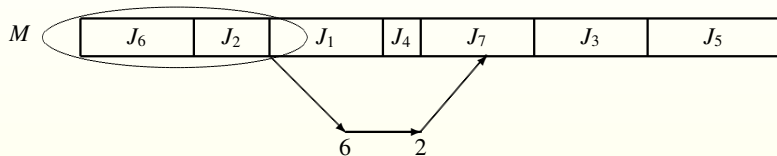
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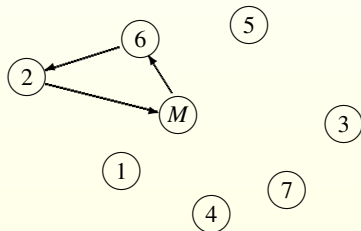
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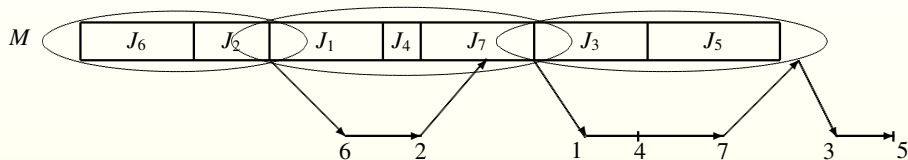
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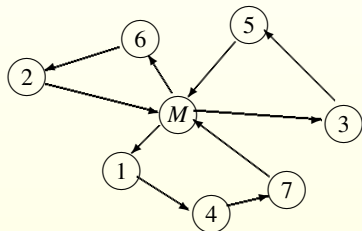
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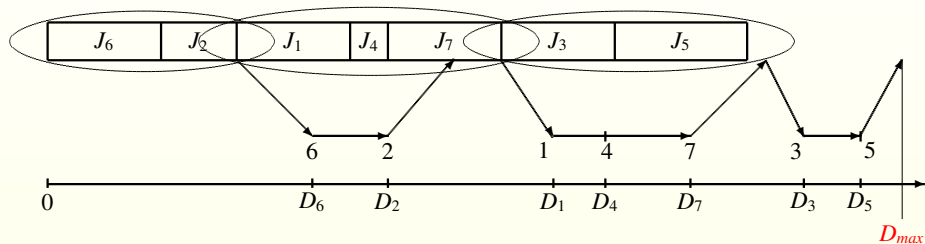
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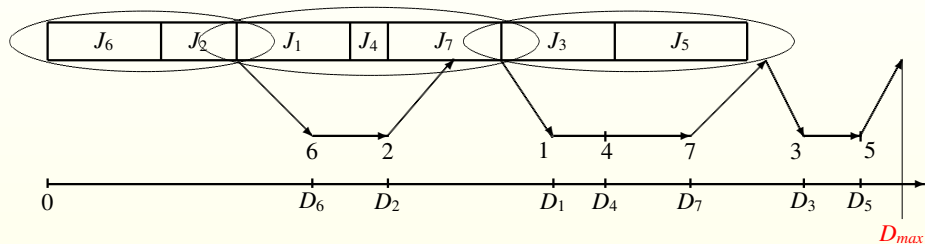


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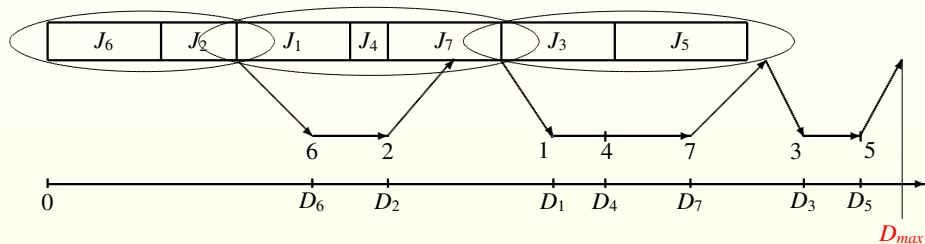
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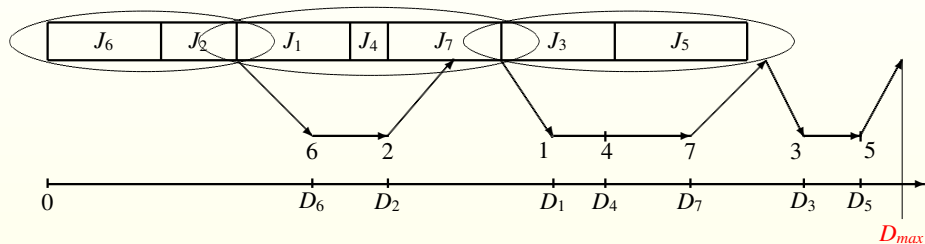


There exists an optimal solution that satisfies the following conditions :

- Jobs are processed on the machine without idle time
- Production sequence and routing sequence are the same

Complexity

Coordinating production and delivery schedules.



Problem 1 $\rightarrow D, k \geq 1 | v = 1, c | D_{max}$ is NP-hard in the strong sense even for the one customer case. [Chang and Lee., 2004]

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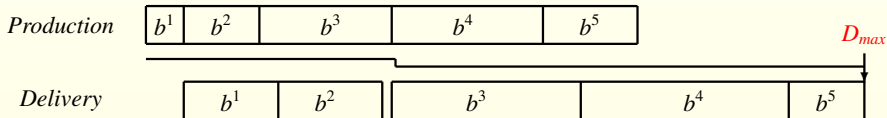
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A lower bound δ for the number of selected positions using *FFD* algorithm

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First Fit Decreasing is a 3/2–approximation for Bin Packing.

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The set of feasible batches β represent too many variables
 → resolved by column generation

Principle of the column generation

The process works as follows :

- the master problem is solved
 - problem restricted to a sub set of variables (basic and nonbasic)
 - integrity constraints are relaxed
- the subproblem is solved
 - find new nonbasic variable that can improve the solution

The process is repeated until no negative reduced cost variables are identified

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- The sub-problem research an element of β such that :
→ Negative reduced $\bar{c}_{b,k}$ cost for a new column $x_{b,k}$

$$\bar{c}_{b,k} \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{p_i \cdot \sum_{l=k}^n \alpha_l - \gamma_i}{\sum_{l=1}^k \alpha_l} \cdot a_{i,b} + P_{b,2} \leq \frac{\beta_k - \sigma_{k-1} + \sigma_k + \xi_k}{\sum_{l=1}^k \alpha_l}$$

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⇒ Elementary shortest path problem with resource constraints (ESPPRC)
 [Lozano et al., 2015]

where $t_{i,j} + A_i$ is the new distance for an arc (i, j)

Instance generation procedure

- processing times $p_i \in [1, 50]$
- t_{ij} set as the distance between of job points (X_i, Y_i) with $X_i, Y_i \in [1, 50]$
- $s_j = 1$ for each job J_j
- capacity $c = 10$

Generation of 5 instances for each $n \in \{10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90\}$

Results

n	$Time(sec)LB$	$Time(sec)UB$	$\#columns$	$\%GAP(Avg)$
10	0.1	0.1	101	5.87
20	1.6	0.3	330	10.83
30	11.2	14.8	1000	7.40
40	62.7	1531.6	1918	7.85
50	769.3	2923.4	4323	7.45
60	786.5	2643.0	3230	6.12
70	3414.5	9258.3	18534	11.01
80	1322.5	5187.6	4273	15.85
90	1794.6	6528.2	6244	6.58

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