

CS528

Task Scheduling

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Outline

- $P_m \mid p_j, \text{pmtn} \mid C_{\max}$: Linear time solution
- $Q_m \mid p_j, \text{pmtn} \mid C_{\max}$: Poly time solution
- $Q_m \mid \text{ptmn} \mid \sum C_j$ Optimal Solution
- $P_m \mid p_j \mid C_{\max}$
 - **ILP Solution : Exponential**
 - 2 Approx, $2-1/m$ approx.
 - LPT : $3/2$ and $4/3$ Approx
- $P_m \mid p_j=1 \mid \sum w_j U_j$ Optimal Solution
- $P_m \mid p_j \mid \sum U_j$ NPC, Heuristic and Counter example
- $P_m \mid \text{pmtn}, p_j \mid \sum U_j$ **in NPC**
- $P_m \mid \text{prec}, p_j = 1 \mid C_{\max}$ **in NPC**
 - 2 Approx

Detail of Minimum Makespan Scheduling

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Minimum makespan scheduling

- $P_m \mid p_j \mid C_{\max}$ in NPC
- Given processing times for n jobs, p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n , and an integer m
- Find an assignment of the jobs to m identical machines
- So that the completion time, also called the makespan, is minimized.

0-1 Linear Programming Solution to Scheduling Problem

$$x_{ij} = \{0, 1\}$$

whether job j is scheduled in machine i

$$\min T$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{for each job } j$$

Each job is scheduled in one machine.

$$\sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} \cdot p_{ij} \leq T \quad \text{for each machine } i$$

Each machine can finish its jobs by time T

$$0 \leq x_{ij}$$

for each job j , machine i

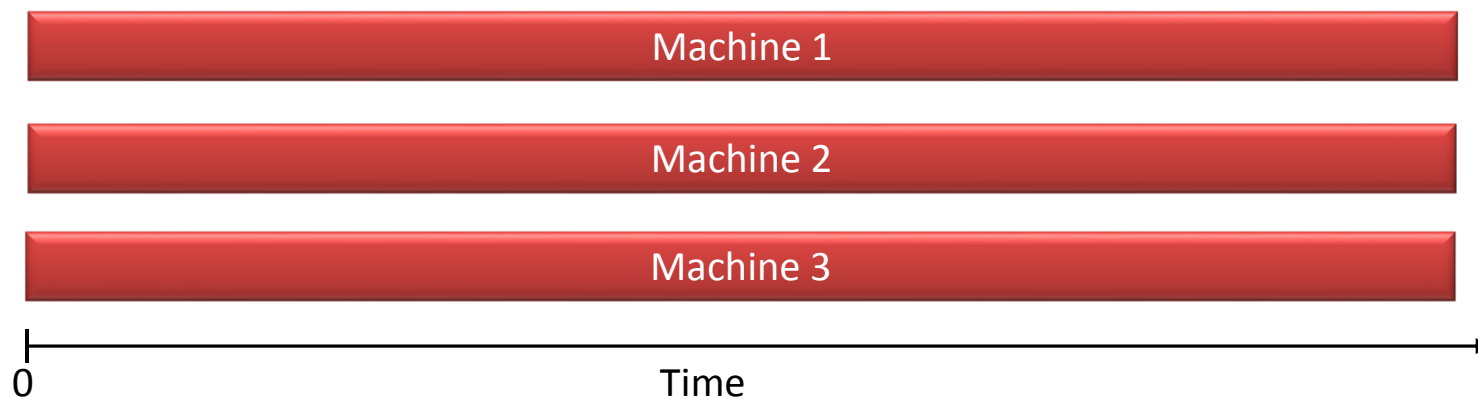
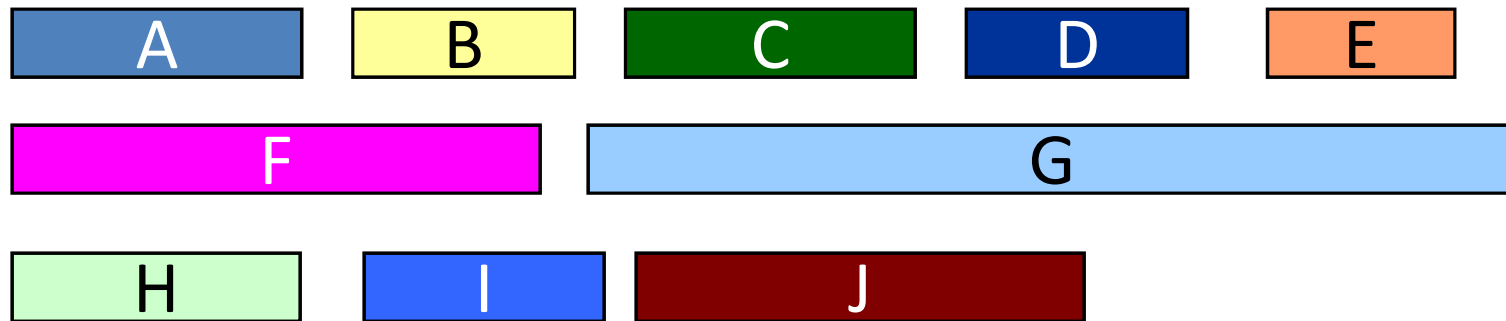
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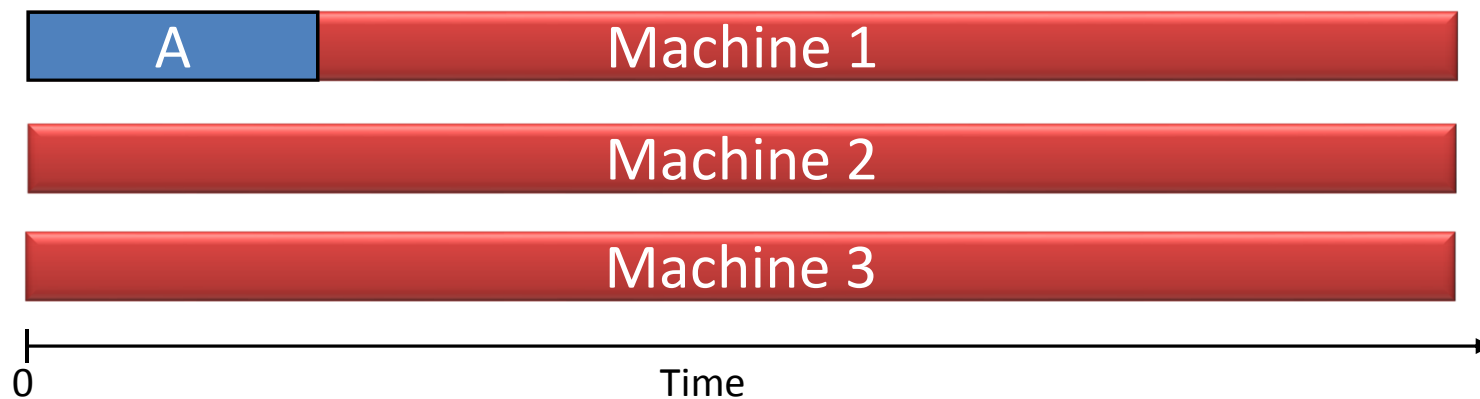
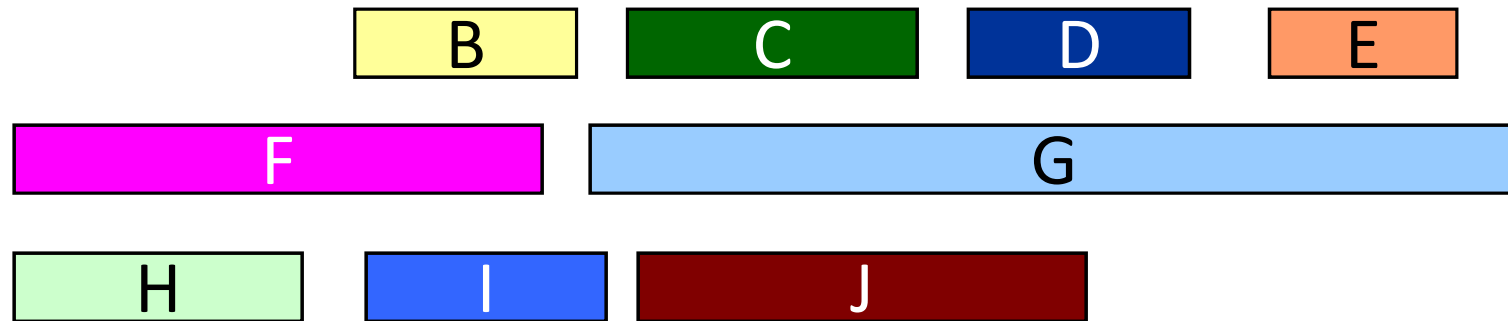
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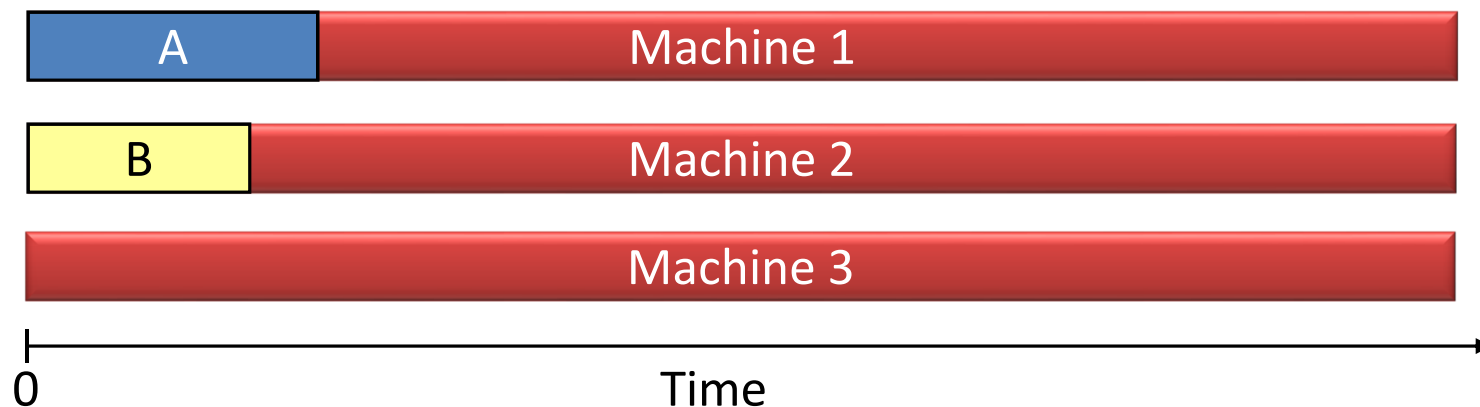
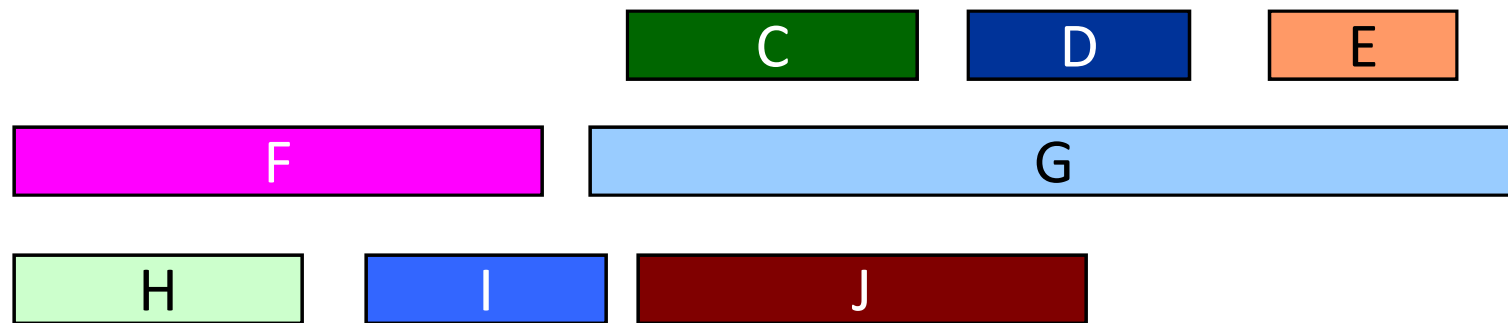
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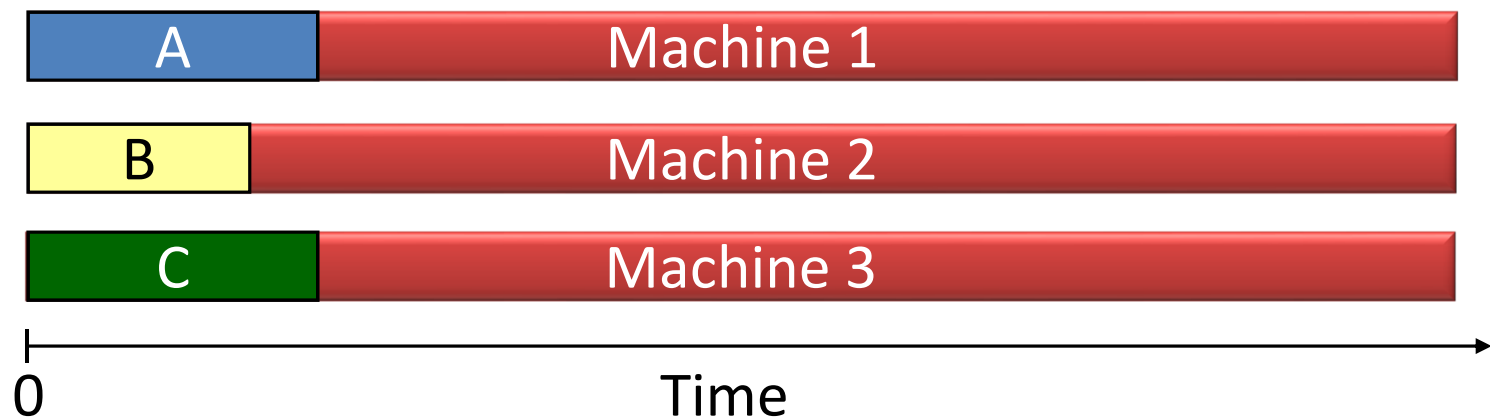
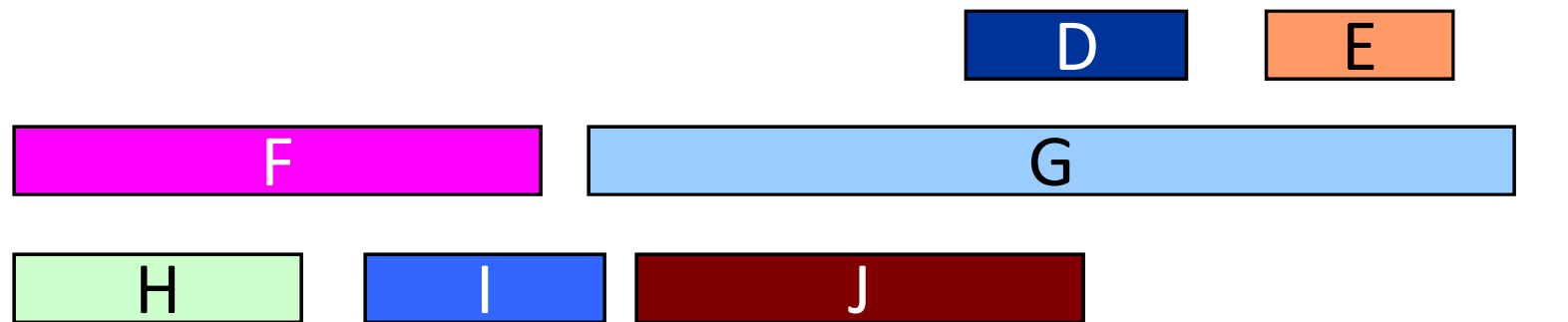
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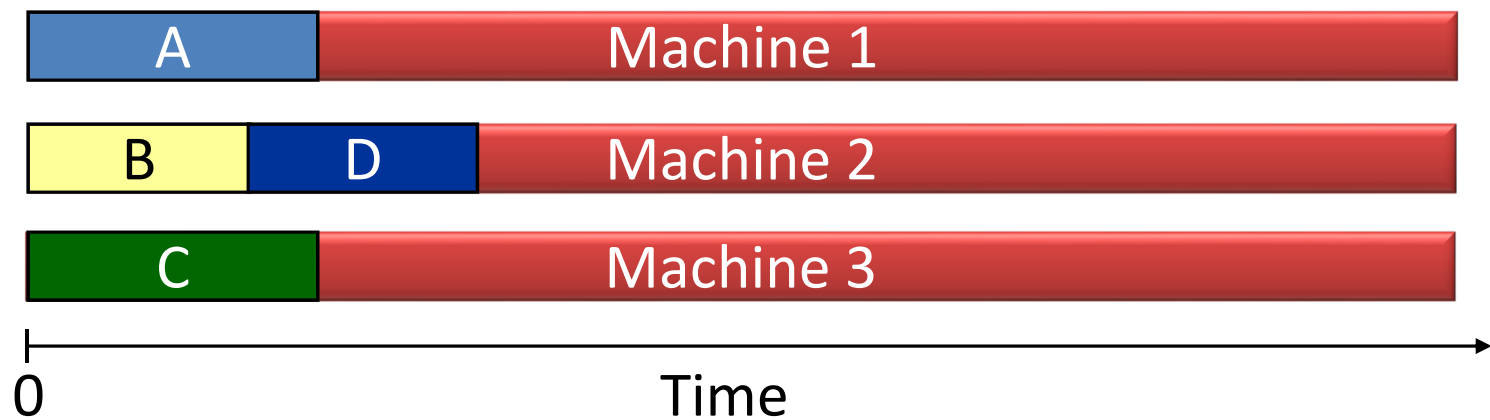
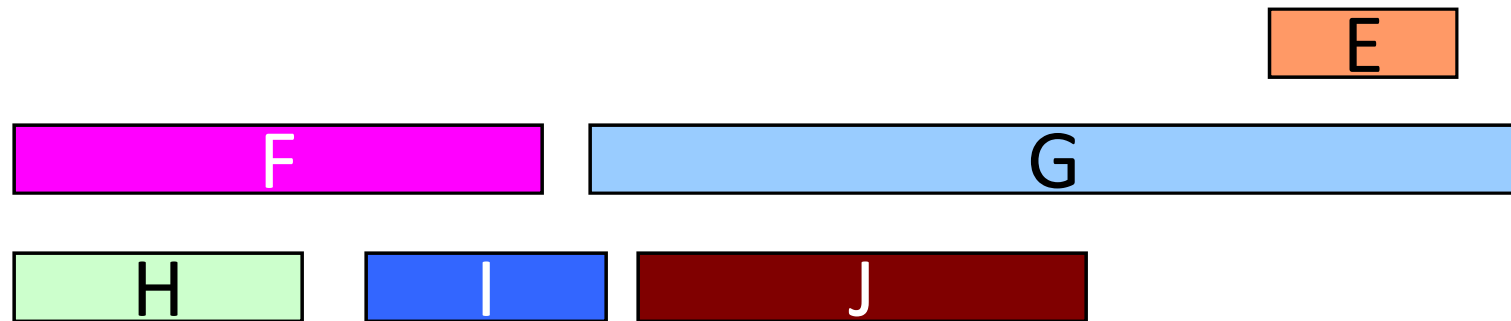


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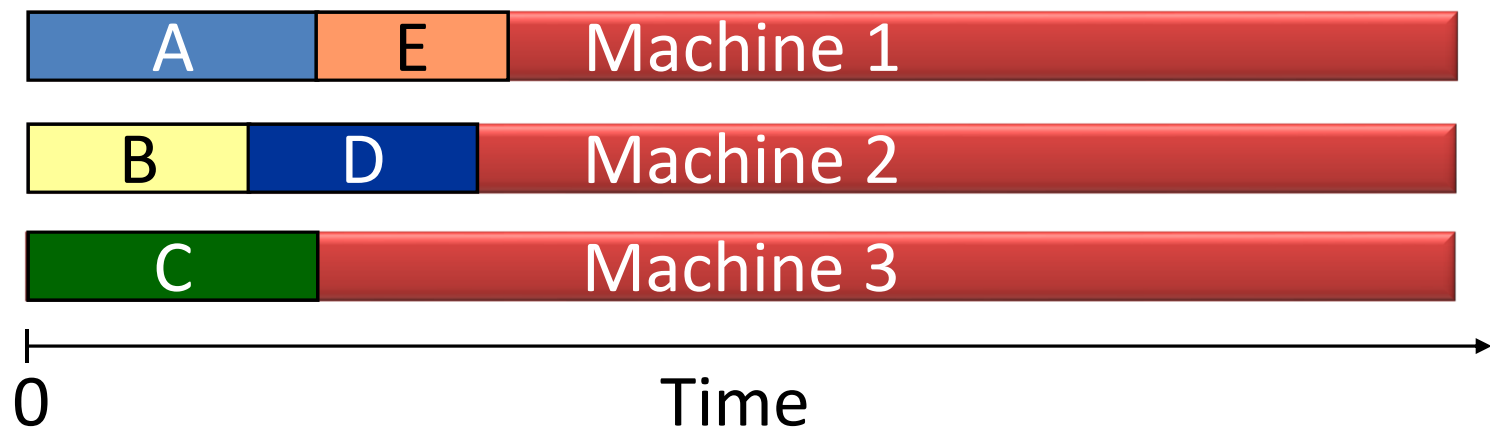
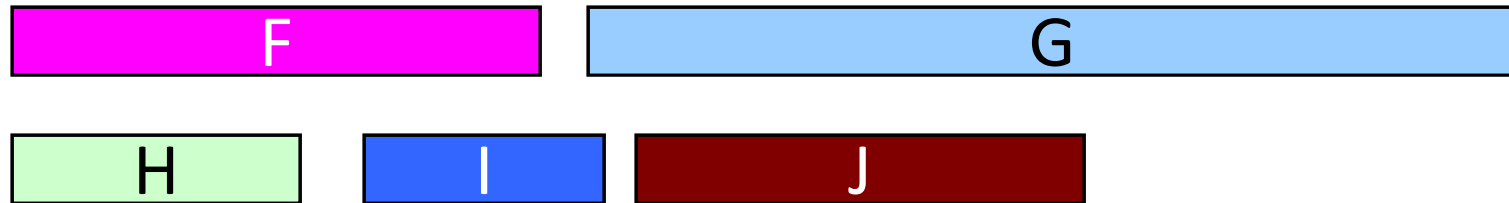


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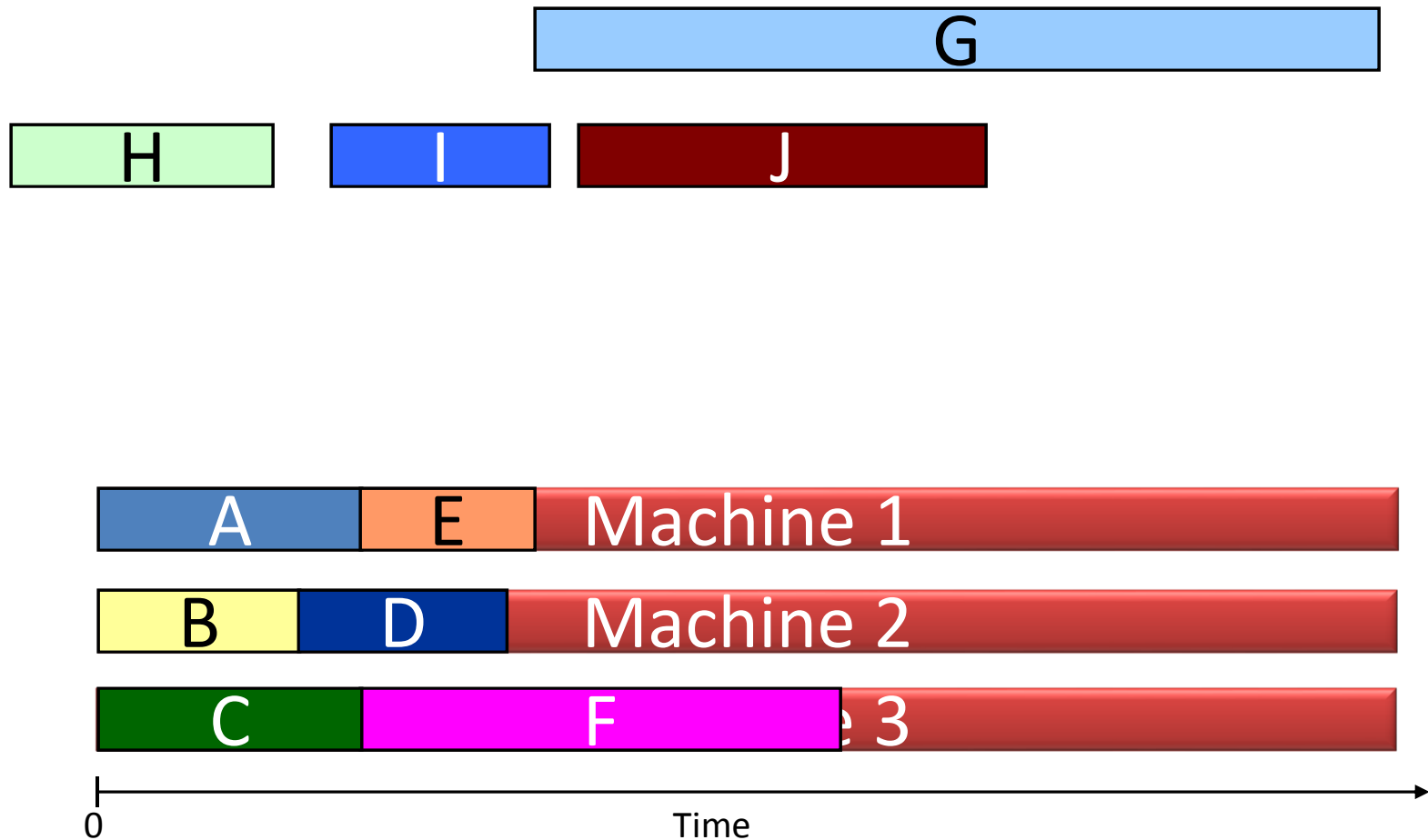
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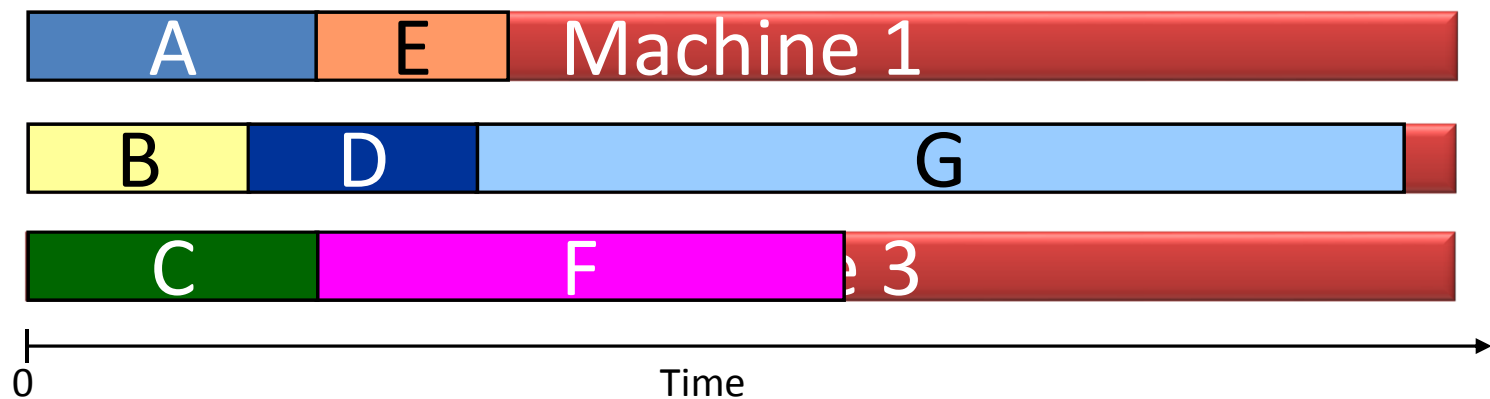
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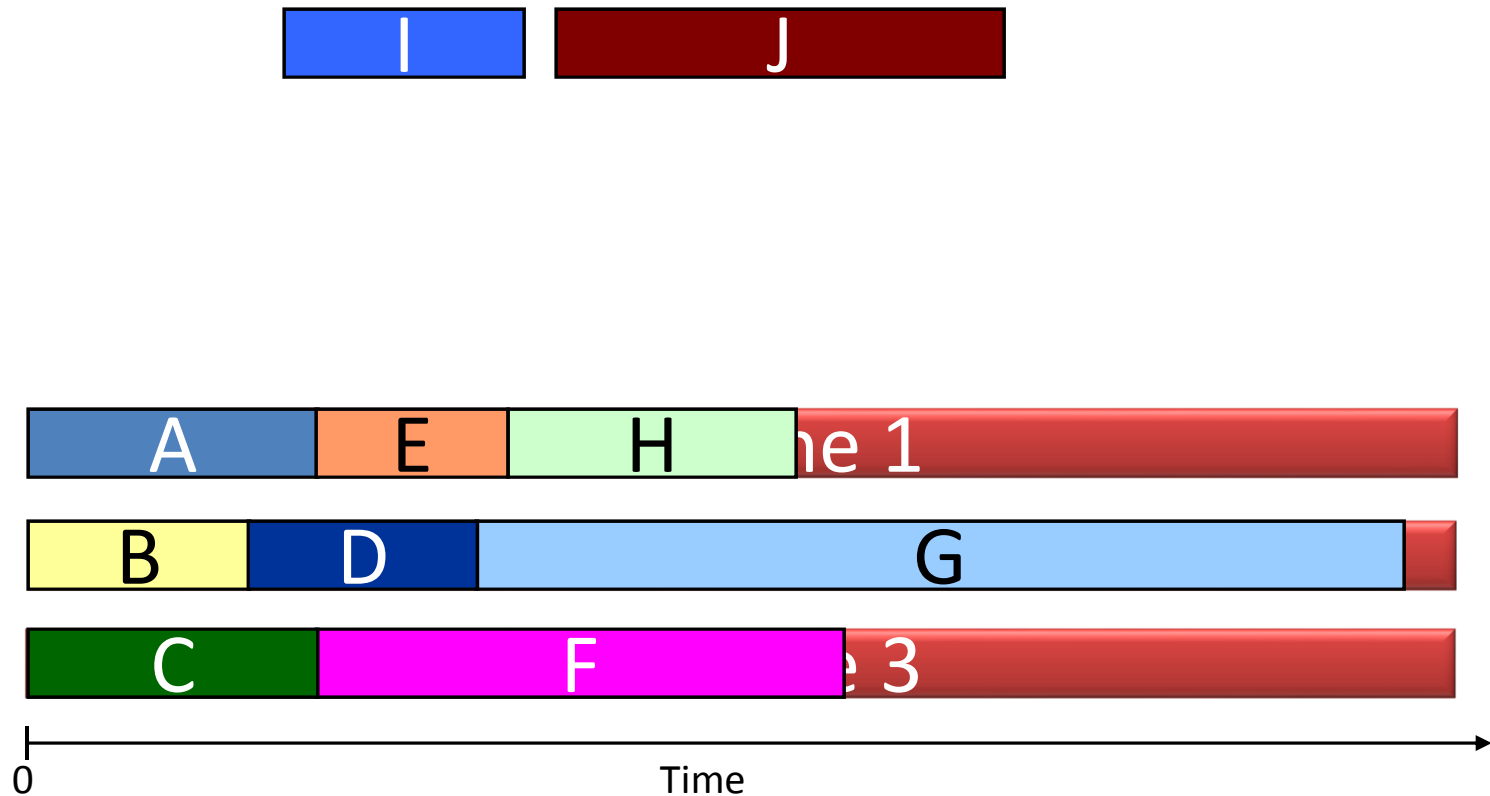
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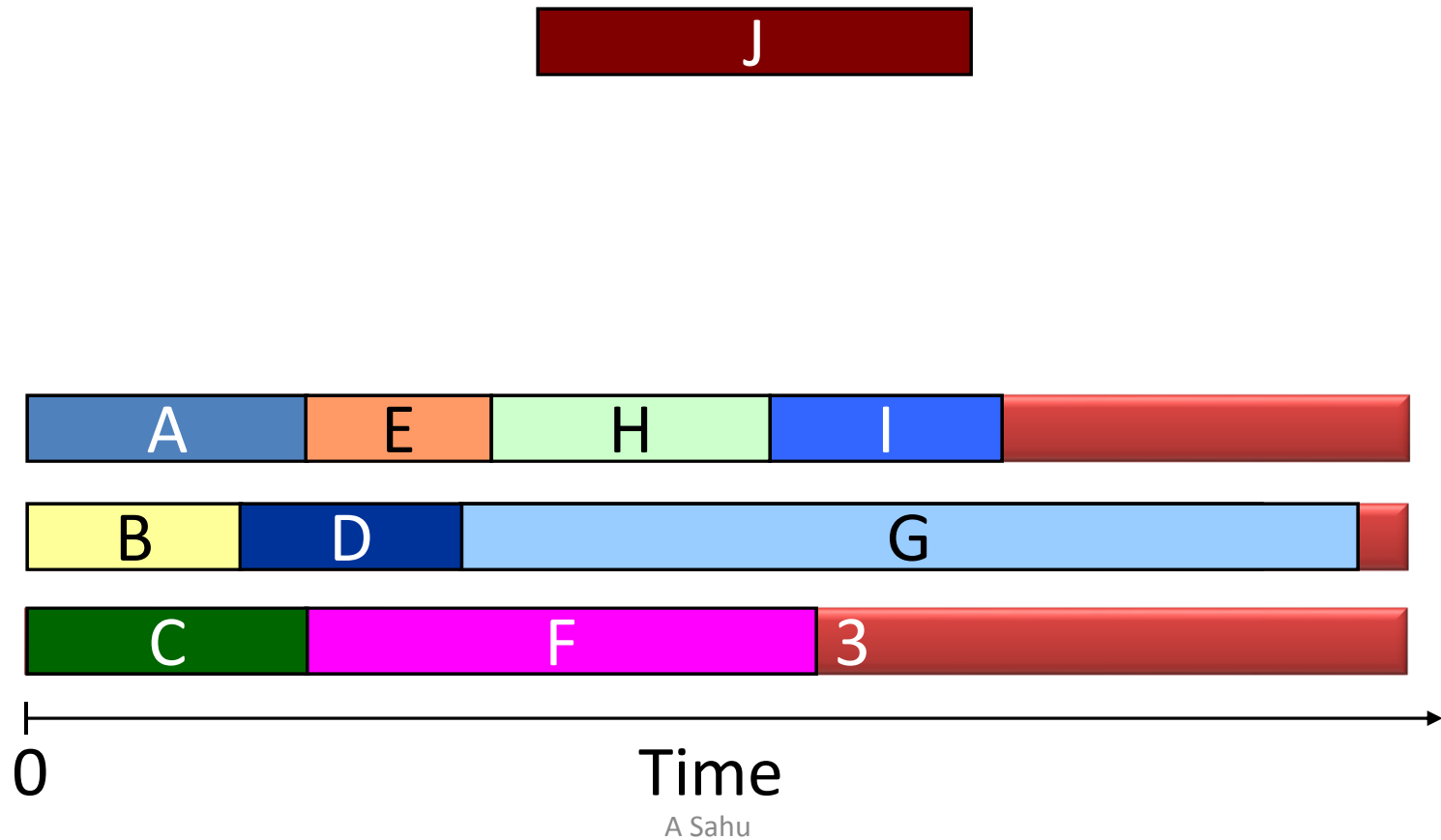
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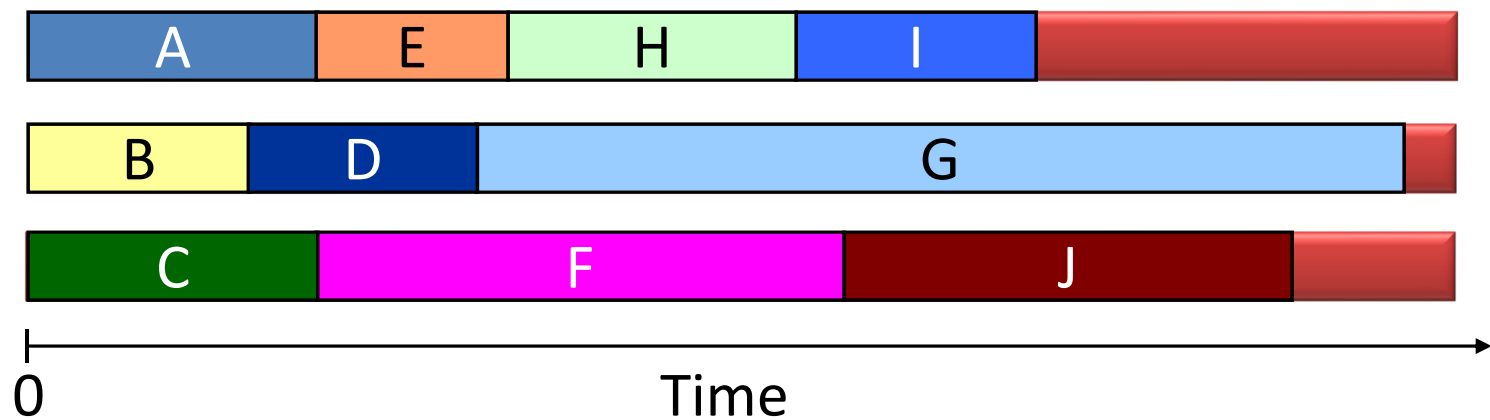
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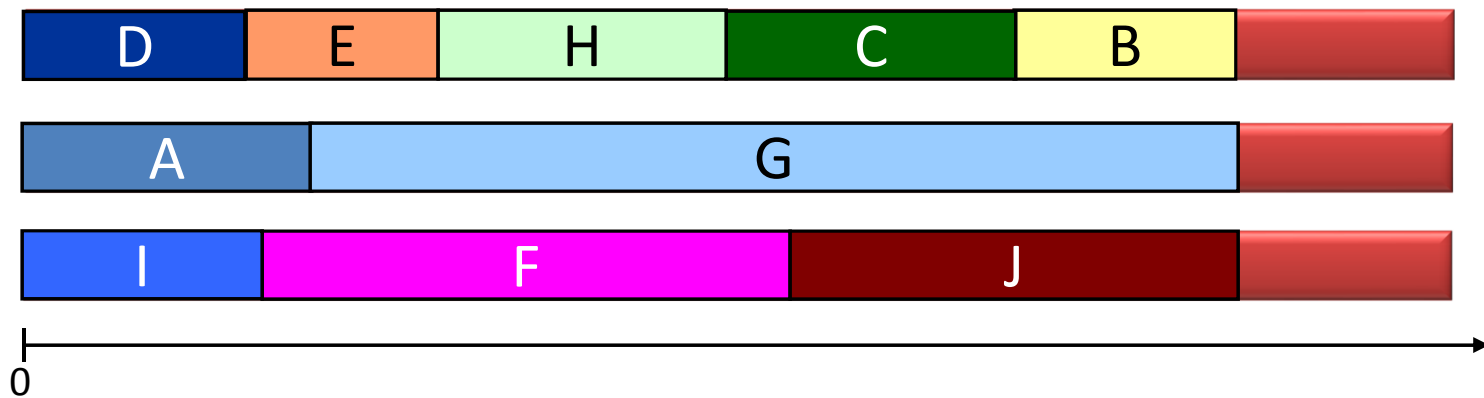
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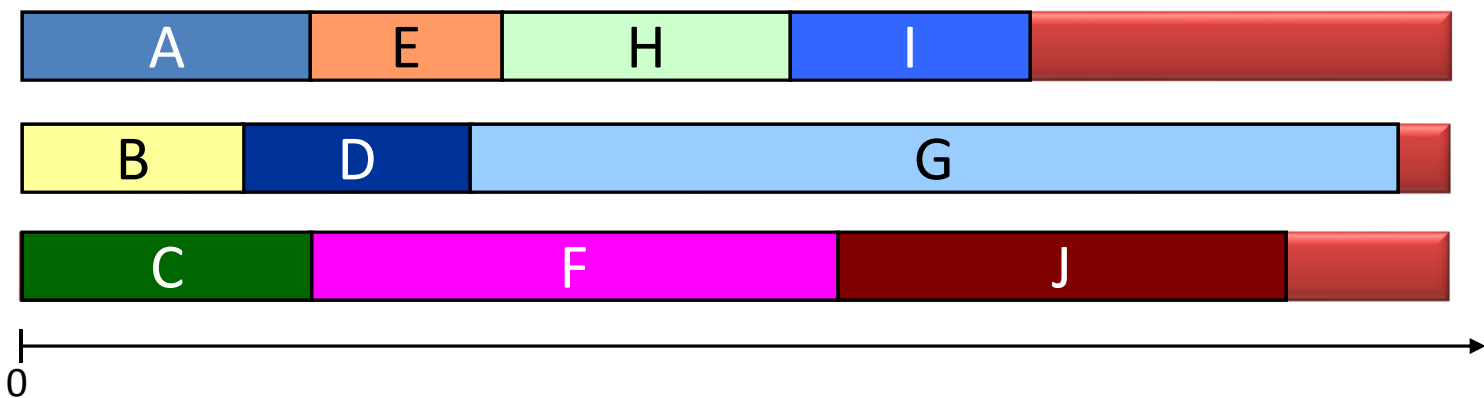
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Optimal Schedule



List schedule

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a

b e

c

d

machine 1

machine 2

machine 3

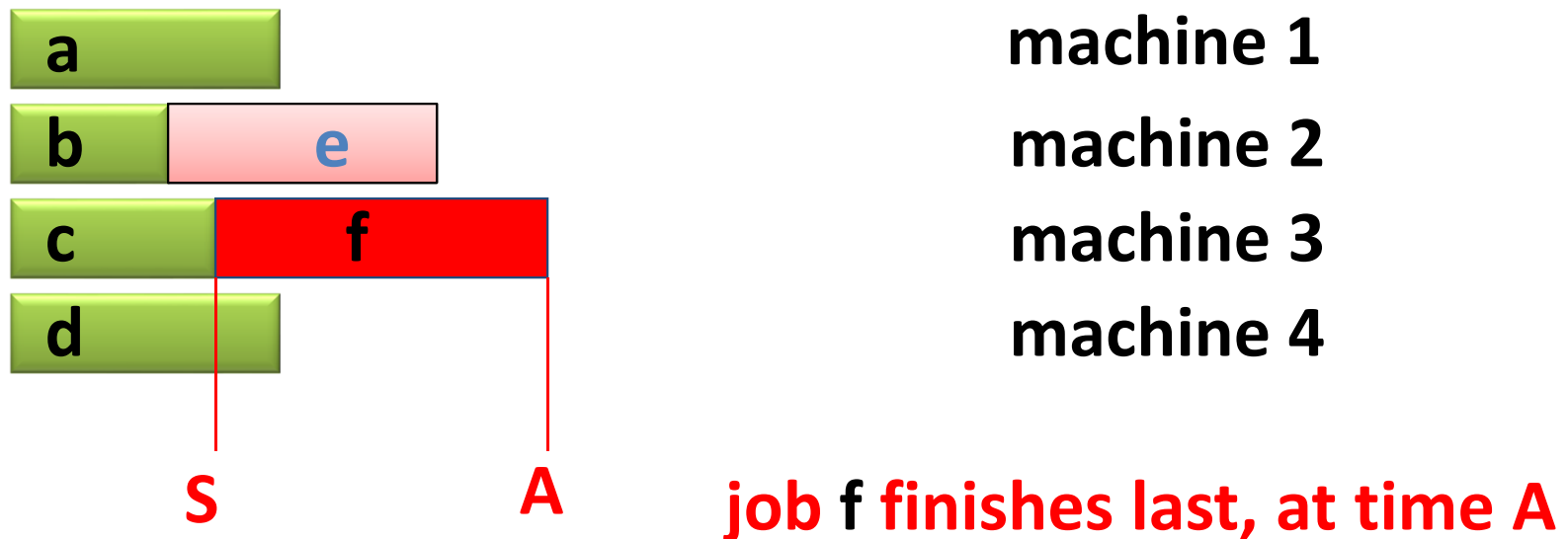
machine 4

Good or bad ?

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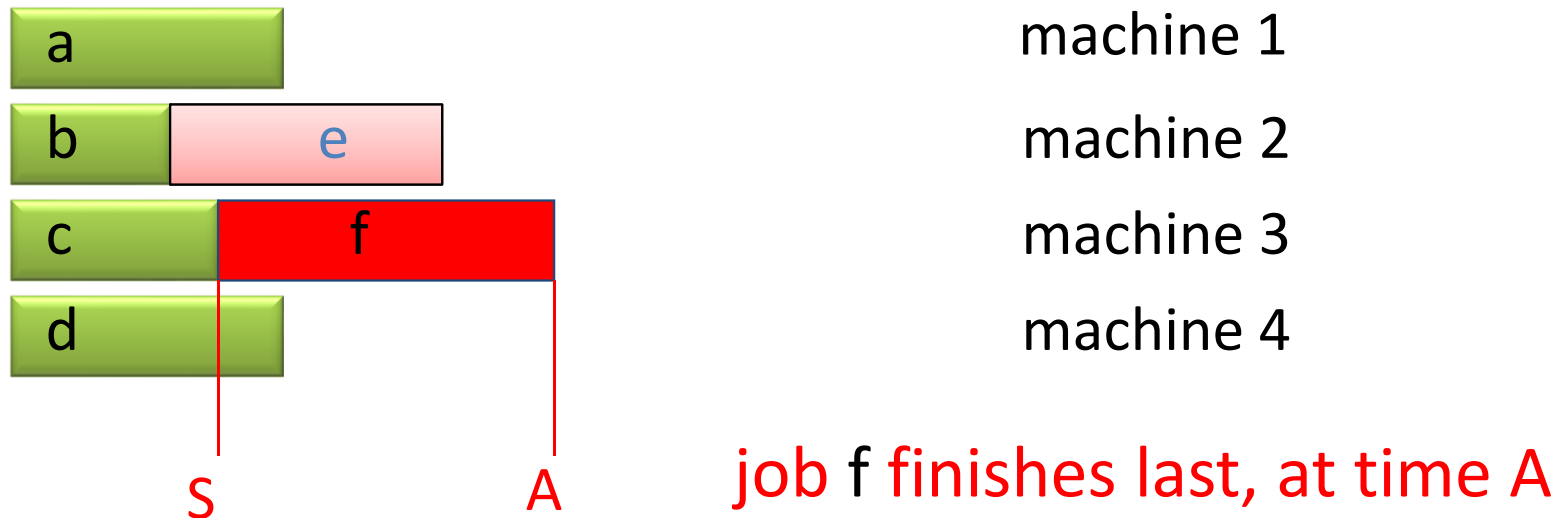
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(1) job f must be scheduled in the best schedule at some time:

$$f \leq \text{OPT} \rightarrow A - S \leq \text{OPT}.$$

(2) up to time S, all machines were busy all the time, and OPT cannot beat that, and job f was not yet included: $S < \text{OPT}$.

(3) both together: $A = A - S + S = (A - S) + S < 2 * \text{OPT}.$

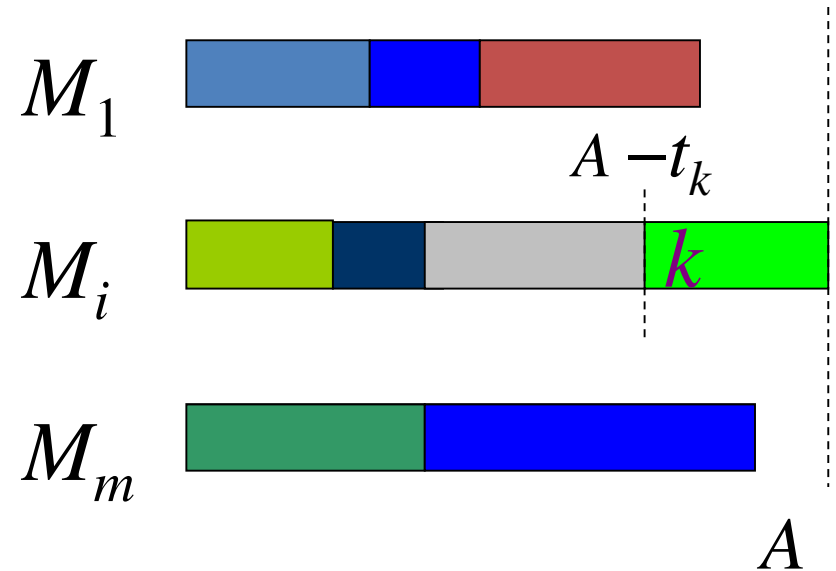
“2-approximation” (Graham, 1966)

LS is $(2^{-1/m})$ APPRX

LS achieves a perf. ratio $2-1/m$.

So all machines are busy
from time 0 through $A-t_k$
Consequently,

Let $T = \sum t_i, i=1,2,\dots,n$



$$T - t_k \geq m(A - t_k) \rightarrow T - t_k \geq mA - mt_k$$

$$\rightarrow T - t_k + mt_k \geq mA \rightarrow T + (m-1)t_k \geq mA$$

So,

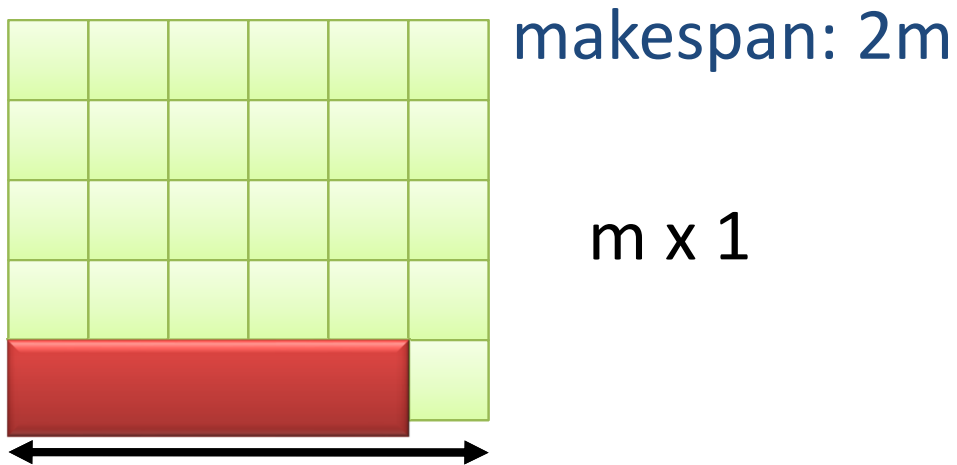
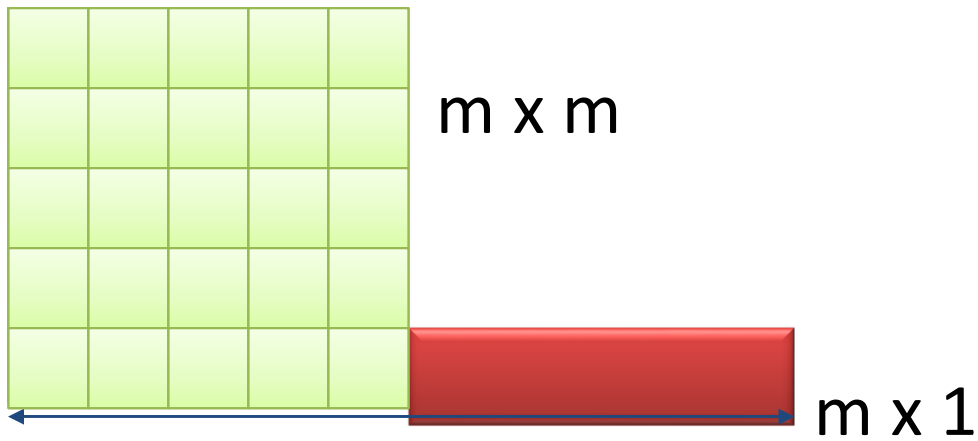
$$A \leq T/m + t_k (m-1)/m$$

$$\leq T^* + (1-1/m) T^*$$

$$A \leq (2-1/m) T^*$$

As $m \cdot T^* \geq T$. So, $T^* \geq T/m$.
Also $T^* \geq t_k$ for every k .

Example: Worst Case



makespan: $2m$

makespan: $m+1$

LPT Rule: List with LPT

- List scheduling can do badly if long jobs at the end of the list spoil an even division of processing times.
- We now assume that the jobs are all given ahead of time, i.e. the LPT rule works only in the off-line situation. Consider the “***Largest Processing Time first***” or LPT rule that works as follows.

LPT Rule: List with LPT

LPT Algorithm

- 1 sort the jobs in order of decreasing processing times: $t_1 \geq t_2 \geq \dots \geq t_n$
- 2 execute list scheduling on the sorted list
- 3 **return** the schedule so obtained.

- The LPT rule achieves $3/2$ -Approx **Sec 11.1 of Eva Tardos Algo Book, Appx Algo Chapter**
- The LPT rule achieves a performance ratio $4/3 - 1/(3m)$. **Prove out of Syllabus**

LPT 3/2-Approx: Jobs are sorted

- Job Time: $t_1 \geq t_2 \geq t_3 \geq \dots \geq t_j$
- Suppose $j (=m+1)$ jobs ($j > m$), in LPT $T^* \geq 2 \cdot t_{m+1}$

- Examples: $m = 5$, $j = 6$

10, 9, 8, 7, 5, 4, ...

$$t_{m+1} = 4$$

$$T^* \geq 2 \cdot 4 = 8$$

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- Suppose a machine M_i have at least two jobs and t_j be last job ($j \geq m+1$) assigned to M_i

$$t_j \leq t_{m+1} \leq T^*/2$$

- Also we have $t_j \leq T^*$ and $T_i - t_j \leq T^*$, where T_i is sum of ET of task assigned to M_i
- $T_i - t_j \leq T^* \Rightarrow T_i \leq T^* + t_j \Rightarrow T_i \leq T^* + T^*/2$
 $T_i \leq (3/2) T^*$

Scheduling of Independent Tasks with Deadline

$$P \mid p_j=1 \mid \sum w_j U_j$$

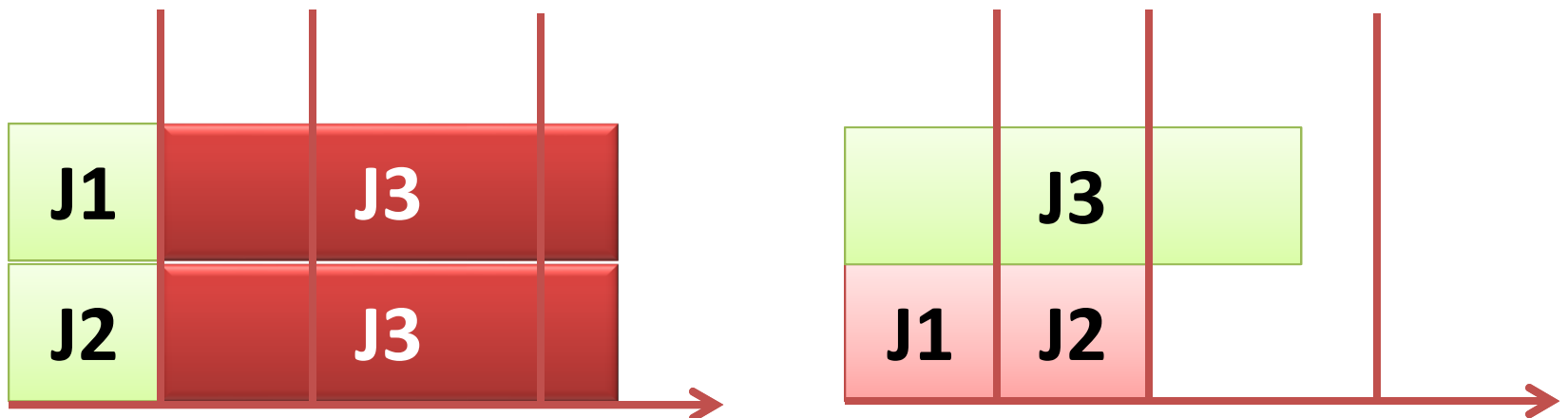
- Sorting task based on d_i and $d_1 \leq d_2 \leq \dots \leq d_n$
- Approach 1: Simply scheduling and rejecting the unfit task will not minimize w_i
 - **Will not work : you need to take care of weight**
- Approach 2: Sorting task based on w_i/d_i
 - Gives priority of task with higher weight but
 - Simply may reject a task based on deadline
 - **Will not work : for optimality**

$$P \mid p_j=1 \mid \Sigma w_j U_j$$

- Sort all the jobs with $d_1 \leq d_2 \leq \dots \leq d_n$
- Set $S = \Phi$
- For $i=1$ to n do
 - If (i_{th} task is late when scheduled in the earliest time slot on a machine)
 - Find a task i^* with $w_{i^*} = \min$ weight of tasks in the already scheduled tasks of the set S
 - If ($w_{i^*} < w_i$) replace i^* with i_{th} task in the schedule and in S .
 - else add i_{th} task to S and schedule the task in the earliest time slot

$P || \Sigma U_j$

- NPC: Sorting based on deadlines is excellent heuristics for most of the case, Experimentally
- But not optimal
- Counter example: $J(p_j, d_j)$: $J1(1,1)$, $J2(1,2)$ and $J3(3,3.5)$ on two processor
- EDF (J3 misses) but the Optimal



$$P \mid p t m n \mid \Sigma U_j$$

- In NPC