

Job Sequencing

An order is to be observed in all things

The selection of an appropriate order for a series of jobs to be done on a finite number of service facilities, in some pre assigned order is

	J_1	J_2	J_3	J_4	J_5	J_6
Turning	2	3	4	8	7	4
Threading	1	5	2	9	5	8

number of machines

Processing order

Processing time

Total elapsed time

idle time on a machine

No passing rule

Optimum Sequence Algorithm (Johnson's Algorithm)

	J_1	J_2	-	-	-	J_n
M_1	t_{11}	t_{12}				t_{1n}
M_2	t_{21}	t_{22}				t_{2n}

Step 1st: List the jobs along with their processing times in a table as shown above

Step 2nd: Examine the column & find out the smallest processing time

Step 3rd: If the smallest processing time is for the first machine M_1 , then place the corresponding job in the first available position.

Step 4th: If the smallest processing time is for the second machine M_2 , then place the corresponding job in the last available position.

Step 5th: If there is a tie, then three cases arises

- (a) if $t_{1k} = t_{2r}$
then process the k^{th} job first & r^{th} job last
- (b) if $t_{1k} = t_{1r}$ (Machine M_1)
then select arbitrarily any job first that have maximum time on Machine M_2
- (c) if $t_{2k} = t_{2r}$ (Machine M_2)
then select arbitrarily any job last that have maximum time on Machine M_1

Q In a factory, there are six jobs to perform each of which should go through two machines A and B, in the order A, B. The processing timings (in hours) for the jobs are given here. You are required to determine the sequencing for performing jobs that should minimize the total elapsed time T. What is the value of T?

Job	J_1	J_2	J_3	J_4	J_5	J_6
A	1	3	8	5	6	3
B	5	6	3	2	2	10

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Job	J_1	J_2	J_3	J_4	J_5	J_6
Machine A	①	3	8	5	6	3
Machine B	5	6	3	2	2	10

J_1					
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Job	J_2	J_3	J_4	J_5	J_6
A	3	8	5	6	3
B	6	3	②	②	10

J_1					J_5
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Job	J_2	J_3	J_4	J_6
A	3	8	5	3
B	6	3	②	10

J ₁				J ₄	J ₅
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Job	J ₂	J ₃	J ₆
A	(3)	8	(3)
B	6	(3)	10

J ₁	J ₆			J ₄	J ₅
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Job	J ₂	J ₃
A	(3)	8
B	6	(3)

J ₁	J ₆	J ₂	J ₃	J ₄	J ₅
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This sequence is the optimum one. The total elapsed time is calculated by

Job	Machine A		Machine B	
	time in	time out	time in	time out
J ₁	0	1	1	6
J ₆	1	4	6	16
J ₂	4	7	16	22
J ₃	7	15	22	25
J ₄	15	20	25	27
J ₅	20	26	27	29

Total elapsed time = 29 hours

Idle time on A = 0 + 3 = 3 hours
Idle time on B = 1 hour

idle time on B

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