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# Project

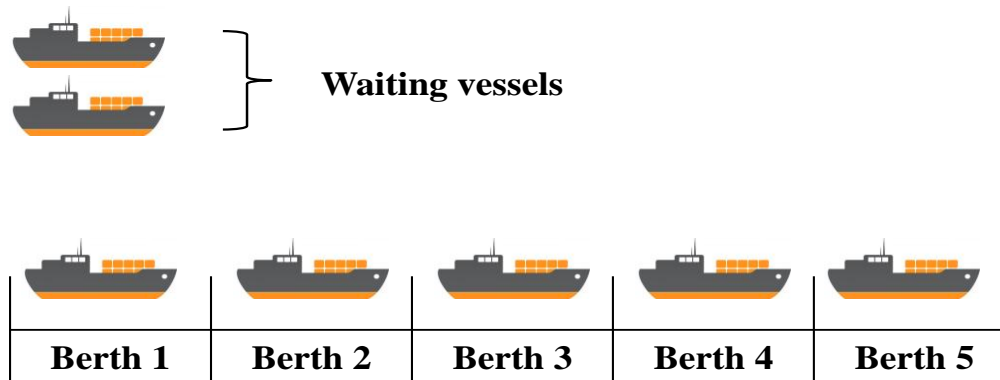
## Algorithm Design

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# Berth Allocation Problem

- In a container terminal, such as the Hong Kong Container Terminal, the bottleneck of the traffic is often at the quay. Therefore, the terminal operator has to allocate a limited number of berths of the quay to vessels in an efficient way.



# Berth Allocation Problem

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- Consider a container terminal of  $n$  berths and  $m$  vessels arrived, where each vessel requires one or more berths to load and unload containers. Vessel  $i$  (for  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ ) arrives at time  $a_i$  with its service time  $t_i$  hours, and it occupies  $b_i$  berths.
- For each vessel  $i=1,2,\dots,m$ , the terminal manager needs to decide on the berths, as well on the starting time  $s_i$  of berthing for it.
- It must be satisfied that no two vessels are allowed to occupy the same berth simultaneously, i.e., for any two different vessels  $i$  and  $j$ , if  $b_i=b_j$ , then either  $s_i+t_i \leq s_j$  or  $s_j+t_j \leq s_i$  must be satisfied.
- Given the limited time horizon, your task is to help the manager to minimize the unassigned vessels, the total waiting time and the last departure time of all the vessels.

# Game website: 172.18.57.223



# Your task

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- Suppose that
  - Weight of unassigned vessels:  $w_1=100$
  - Weight of total waiting time:  $w_2=2$
  - Weight of last departure time:  $w_3=1$
- If your arrangement has
  - No. unassigned vessels:  $x_1$
  - Total waiting time:  $x_2$
  - Last departure time:  $x_3$
- Then  $f(x)=w_1x_1+ w_2x_2+w_3x_3$
- You need to minimize  $f(x)$  subject to the aforementioned constraints.

# What to submit

- A zip/rar package (**Deadline: 2017/6/4**)
  - Your codes
  - project.xlsx

	Unassigned vessels (x1)	Total waiting times (x2)	Last departure time (x3)	$f(x)=w_1x_1+w_2x_2+w_3x_3$	Solution
Game 1	1	5	5	115	0, 0; 0, 3; 2, 3; 0, 4; -1, -1
Game 2					
Game 3					
Game 4					
Game 5					
Game 6					
Game 7					
Game 8					
Game 9					
Game 10					
Game 11					
Game 12					

- Your report
  - Algorithms
  - Experiments on (original and **new**) instances
  - Results

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# Thank you!

