

Assignment 1

There are m jobs to be processed on n machines. The time for job i to be processed on machine j is τ_{ij} , and the cost is c_{ij} . The available time of machine j is T_j . The goal is to assign jobs to machines such that:

1. The total production cost is minimized.
2. The processing time on every machine does not exceed its available time.
3. Each job must be assigned to exactly one machine.

Mathematical Formulation

This problem can be formulated as an integer linear program.

Indices

- i : Index for jobs, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$.
- j : Index for machines, $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

Parameters

- c_{ij} : The cost for processing job i on machine j .
- τ_{ij} : The time required for job i to be processed on machine j .
- T_j : The total available time on machine j .

Decision Variables

Let x_{ij} be a binary variable defined as:

$$x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if job } i \text{ is assigned to machine } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Objective Function

The objective is to minimize the total production cost, which is the sum of the costs of all assignments made.

$$\min Z = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij} \quad (1)$$

Constraints

The assignment is subject to the following constraints:

1. **Job Assignment Constraint:** Each job must be assigned to exactly one machine. This means that for each job i , the sum of its assignments across all machines must be 1.

$$\sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} = 1, \quad \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\} \quad (2)$$

2. **Machine Capacity Constraint:** The total time of all jobs assigned to a machine must not exceed its available time.

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \tau_{ij} x_{ij} \leq T_j, \quad \forall j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \quad (3)$$

The problem can also be expressed in a compact standard form.

Let \mathbf{x} be the vector of all decision variables x_{ij} , flattened into a single column vector of size $mn \times 1$. For instance, by stacking the columns of the decision variable matrix:

$$\mathbf{x} = [x_{11}, x_{21}, \dots, x_{m1}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{m2}, \dots, x_{1n}, \dots, x_{mn}]^T, x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$

Let \mathbf{c} be the corresponding vector of costs, arranged in the same order:

$$\mathbf{c} = [c_{11}, c_{21}, \dots, c_{m1}, c_{12}, \dots, c_{m2}, \dots, c_{1n}, \dots, c_{mn}]^T$$

The optimization problem can then be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A_{eq} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_{eq} \\ & A_{ineq} \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}_{ineq} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^{mn} \end{aligned}$$

1. A_{eq} is an $m \times mn$ matrix that represents the job assignment constraints. Each row corresponds to a single job and contains 1s for the variables associated with that job being assigned to any machine.
2. \mathbf{b}_{eq} is an $m \times 1$ vector of ones.
3. A_{ineq} is an $n \times mn$ matrix representing the machine capacity constraints. Each row corresponds to a machine and contains the processing times τ_{ij} for that machine.
4. \mathbf{b}_{ineq} is an $n \times 1$ vector of machine time capacities $[T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n]^T$.

*Solution

For a specific question, we can solve the problem. In python, we use the following codes to generate the necessary data for the problem:

```
num_jobs = 16
num_machines = 4
costs = np.random.randint(10, 100, size=(num_jobs, num_machines))
times = np.random.randint(5, 25, size=(num_jobs, num_machines))
machine_capacities = np.random.randint(60, 90, size=num_machines)
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We can use ortool to solve optimise problems:

```
model = cp_model.CpModel()
x = {}
for i in range(num_jobs):
    for j in range(num_machines):
        x[i, j] = model.NewBoolVar(f'x_{i}_{j}')

for i in range(num_jobs):
    model.AddExactlyOne(x[i, j] for j in range(num_machines))

for j in range(num_machines):
    total_time_on_machine = sum(times[i, j] * x[i, j] for i in range(num_jobs))
    model.Add(total_time_on_machine <= machine_capacities[j])

total_cost = sum(costs[i, j] * x[i, j]

for i in range(num_jobs) for j in range(num_machines))
model.Minimize(total_cost)

solver = cp_model.CpSolver()
status = solver.Solve(model)
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The solution is in the figure:

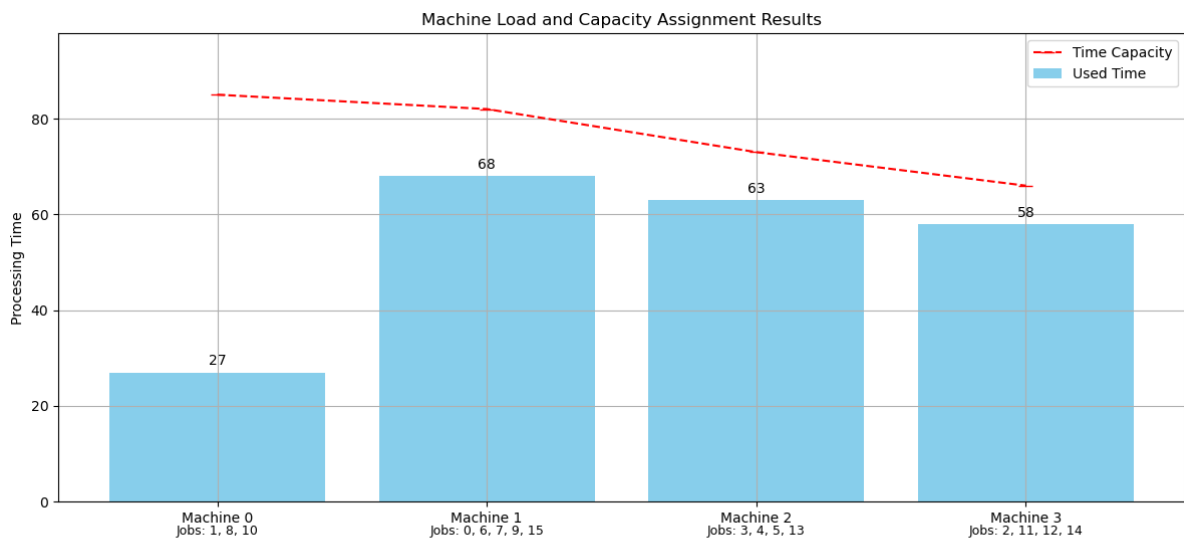


Figure 1: Solution