

# Assignment 1

There are  $m$  jobs to be processed on  $n$  machines. The time for job  $i$  to be processed on machine  $j$  is  $\tau_{ij}$ , 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  $j$ .
- $\tau_{ij}$ : 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  $\tau_{ij}$  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)
```

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)
```

The solution is in the figure:

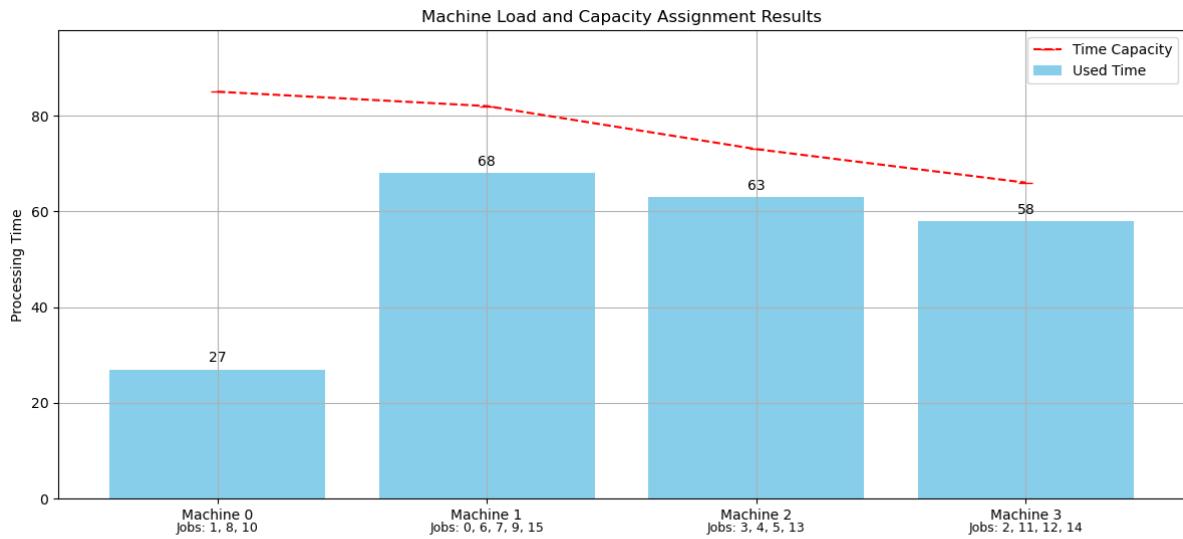


Figure 1: Solution