

# Branch\_and\_Bound

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## Branch and Bound Algorithm

- Used when the conditions in Johnson's algorithm (i.e.,  $n/3/p/C_{max}$ ) don't hold

$$\text{Either } \begin{cases} t_{1,n} \geq t_{2,n} \\ t_{3,n} \geq t_{2,n} \end{cases}$$

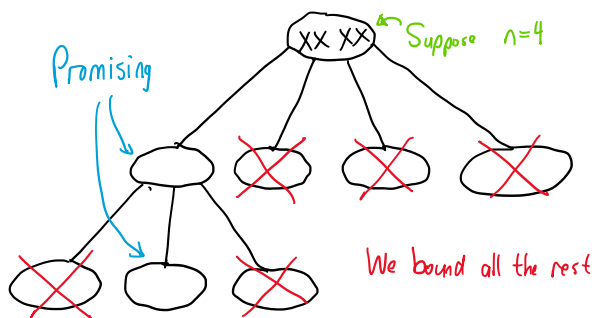
or for larger problems such as:

$$n/4/p/C_{max}$$

↳ or any # of machines

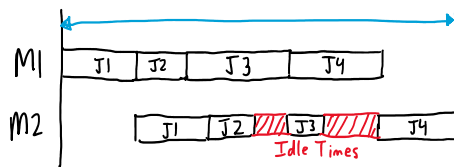
- Why the name B&B?

▶ The algorithm starts like a tree when we branch & bound some branches



- We start with 2-machine case

Case 1



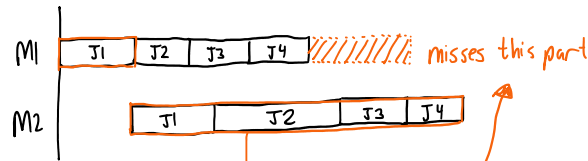
We write to lower bounds

$$\begin{cases} L_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,m_1} + t_{n,m_2} \rightarrow \text{larger, correct} \\ L_2 = t_{1,m_1} + \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,m_2} \rightarrow \text{misses the idle times} \end{cases}$$

Case 2



Case 1



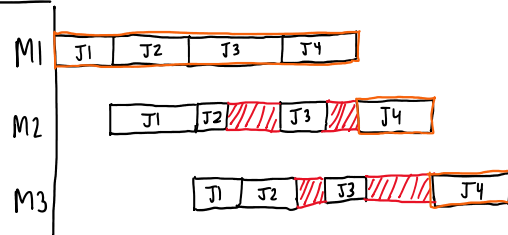
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- There could be no other cases with 2 machines if we select

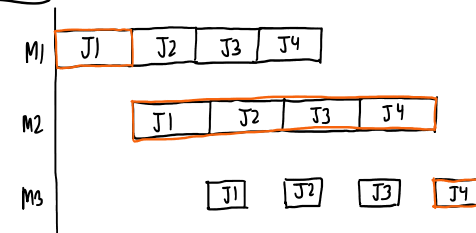
Lower bound on Completion time  $L = \max(L_1, L_2)$

- Continuing with 3-machines

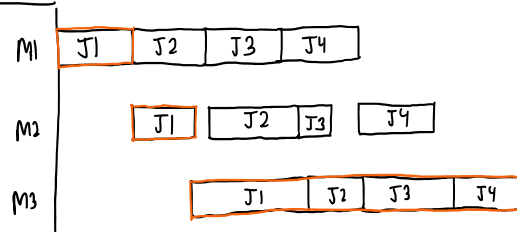
Case 1



Case 2



Case 3



Three equations ( $m=3$ )

Case 1  $L_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,M1} + t_{n,M2} + t_{n,M3}$

three equations (11-12)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Case 1} & \left\{ L_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,m_1} + t_{n,m_2} + t_{n,m_3} \right. \\ \text{Case 2} & \left\{ L_2 = t_{1,m_1} + \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,m_2} + t_{n,m_3} \right. \\ \text{Case 3} & \left\{ L_3 = t_{1,m_1} + t_{1,m_2} + \sum_{i=1}^n t_{i,m_3} \right. \end{aligned}$$

Which equation is the largest in any one case?

Case 1 :  $L_1$

Case 2 :  $L_2$

Case 3 :  $L_3$

► There cannot be other cases for 3 machine solutions

Lower bound on completion time  
(or equally flow time)  $L = \max(L_1, L_2, L_3)$

• We redefine lower bound as follows:

① Define  $\text{TIME1}(J_r)$ ,  $\text{TIME2}(J_r)$  &  $\text{TIME3}(J_r)$  at which time  $M_1, M_2, M_3$  respectively complete the processing of the last job in the sequence  $J_r$ , where  $J_r$  contains a particular subset (size  $r$ ) of  $n$  jobs

② A lower bound on completion (makespan) of all schedules that began with the sequence  $J_r$  is

$$LB(J_r) = \max \begin{cases} L_1 = \text{TIME1}(J_r) + \sum_{J_r} t_{i,m_1} + \min_{J_r} (t_{i,m_2} + t_{i,m_3}) \\ L_2 = \text{TIME2}(J_r) + \sum_{J_r} t_{i,m_2} + \min_{J_r} (t_{i,m_3}) \\ L_3 = \text{TIME3}(J_r) + \sum_{J_r} t_{i,m_3} \end{cases}$$

We have 4 jobs :

$$J_r = \{2, 3\} \quad \bar{J} = \{1, 4\}$$

$$J_r = \{3, 1, 2\} \quad \bar{J} = \{4\}$$

$\sqrt{r} = [ \dots ]$

$$\overline{J} = \{4\}$$

$$J_r = \{4\} = 126$$

