

PATTERNS OF LAYOUT

- PROCESS LAYOUT
 - INTERMITTENT LAYOUT
 - JOB SHOP
- PRODUCT LAYOUT
 - CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION
 - ASSEMBLY LINE
- FIXED POSITION
 - SPECIAL PROJECTS



Process Layout



- Worker skill level is moderate to high
- Makes good use of the special skills of people and capabilities of machines
- Flexible and able to handle a wide variety of products
- Machines are general purpose --- which implies flexibility --- and are generally less expensive than special purpose machines such as robots
- Less vulnerable to shutdowns because of breakdowns

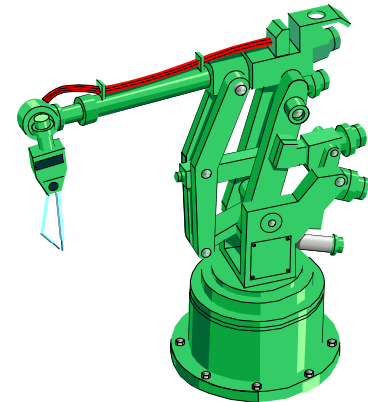
Process Layout

- General purpose machines are slower than special purpose machines (ex robotics)
- Work routing, scheduling, bills of material, job costing are much more involved and complex
- Potentially each new order is a new product --- so routings, bills of material etc. may need to be created each time an order is received
- Material handling and transportation can be quite costly
- Material movement through the shop is slow



Product Layout

- Major advantage -- lowest cost per unit
- High rate of output
- Low training cost
- Routings, bill of material don't change frequently
- Large investment in capital equipment
- Must have a high demand in order to justify the huge capital investment
- Highly vulnerable to work stoppages ----
- Rate of output is quite inflexible ----- both up and down
- Does not handle variety very well
- Human relations problems
- Work comes to the worker

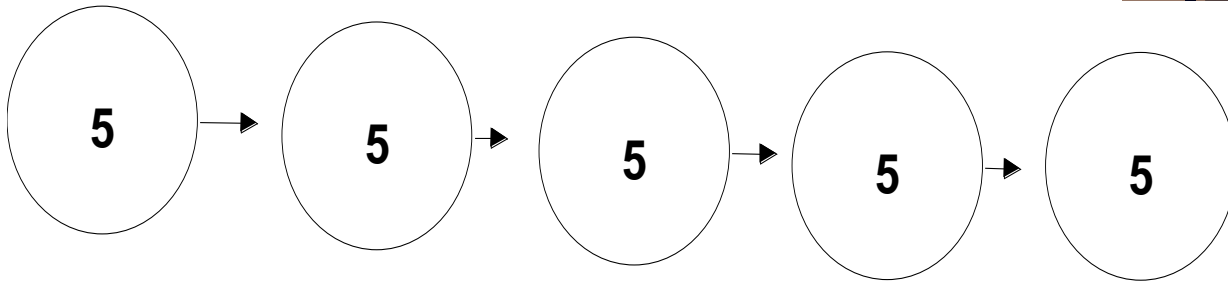


FIXED POSITION

- Large complex, often unique products
- Products seldom if ever move
- Portable equipment
- Worker comes to the work
- Duplicate tooling
- More responsibility on the part of the worker
- Labor skills high
- High cost
- Time to build is longer



Balanced Line

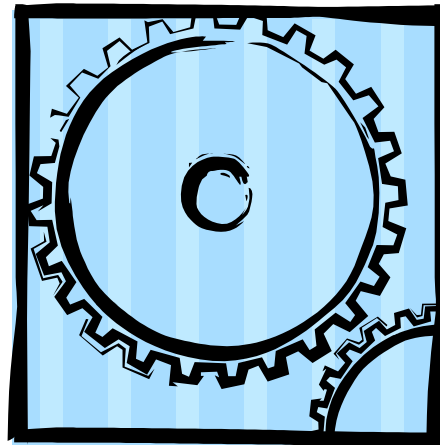
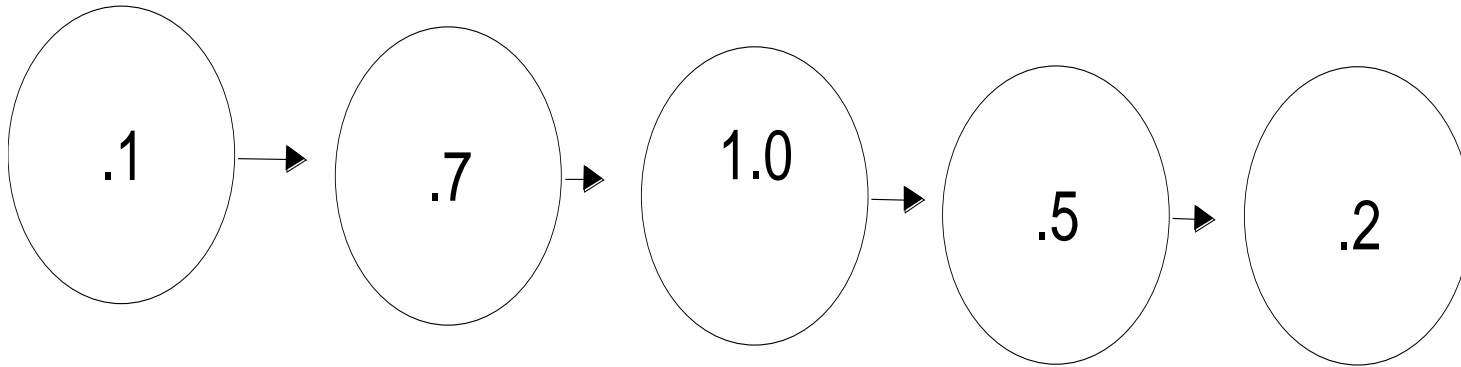


What Happens with a Balanced Line?

- Behind Schedule with Shipments
- WIP Levels Increase
- Why?
- Statistical Fluctuations
- Statistically Dependent Events



Un-Balanced Line



- Cycle Time = time interval between units coming off the line
- Longest task time=minimum possible cycle time
- Sum of task times=maximum possible cycle time
- Daily Capacity
=Operating Time÷Cycle Time ($OT \div CT$)



- Operating Time = 480 minutes
- Cycle Time = 1 minute
Daily Capacity = $480/1$
=480
- Cycle Time = 2.5 minutes
Daily Capacity = $480/2.5$
=192 units



Minimum # of Work Stations

- $N = (DO * \sum TT) / OT$

Where

DO=Desired Output

TT=Task Times

OT=Operating Time

- $N = (480 * 2.5) / 480$
 $= 2.5$

Or 3 work stations



Station 1

.1+.7

=.8

Station 2

1

=1

Station 3

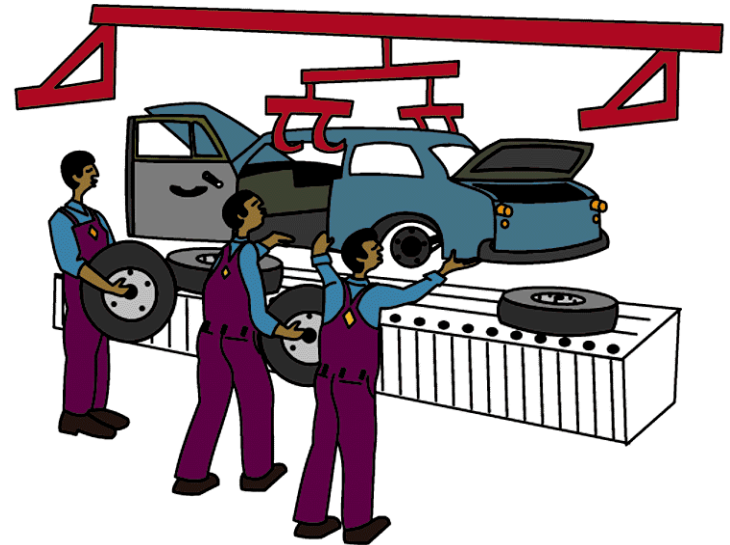
.5+.2

=.7

Bottleneck = Station 2

Capacity = $480/1$

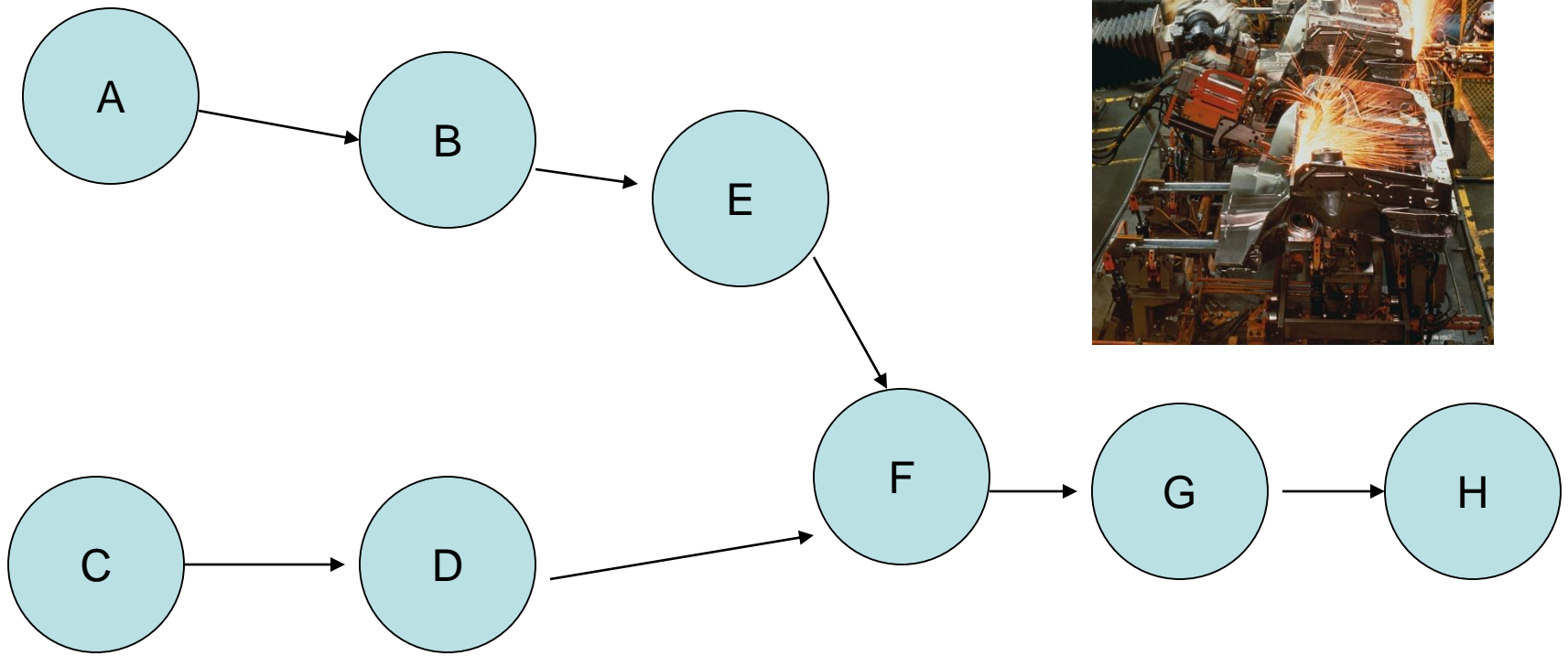
= 480



Line Problem

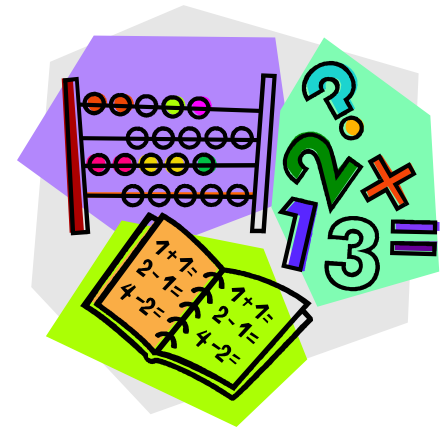
Task	Immediate Predecessor	Task Time
A	-----	.2
B	A	.2
C	-----	.8
D	C	.6
E	B	.3
F	D,E	1.0
G	F	.4
H	G	.3
Sum of Task Times		3.8





Desired Output=400

- **Cycle Time=OT/DO**
=480/400
=1.2 minutes (target cycle time)
- **Minimum # of Work Stations**
=(DO* \sum TT)/OT
=(400*3.8)/480
=3.2 or 4 stations



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STATION

TASK

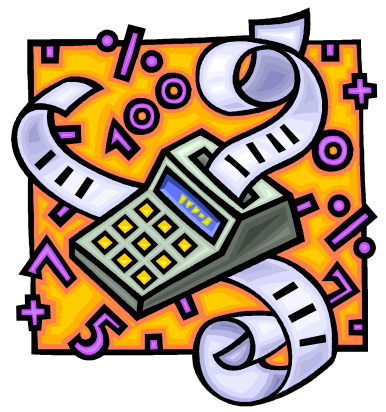
TIME

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Remaining Time

(1.2-cumulative time)

• 1	C	.8	.4
•	A	.2	.2
•	B	.2	0



• 2	D	.6	.6
•	E	.3	.3
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• 3	F	1.0	.2
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• 4	G	.4	.8
•	H	.3	.5

Final Layout

