

1 Description of the algorithm

1.1 Assumptions

1. Goal of the algorithm: minimizing the number of pallet load units.
2. The basis for planning is the `PRODUCT_ID` set in the order, the number of which is smaller than the standard number.
3. The number of `PRODUCT_ID` units in a shipment (WMS) is not subject to division.
4. Adding subsequent `PRODUCT_ID` layers to the mix takes into account:
 - height (H) of the layer,
 - degree of layer filling (fw),
 - fragility (stackability) class parameter (CL),
 - weight (W).

1.2 Input data

- order (`ORDER_ID`)
- place of shipment (DB)
- product name (`PRODUCT_ID`)
- of product units in the order (`BU_QUANTITY`)
- number of product units per standard volume (`Quantity_Max`)
- number of layers in the normative pjl (`Layers_Norm`)
- product's fragility class (`CAPACITY_LOAD_CLASS`)

1.3 Output

- pallet loading unit number (`LOADUNIT_ID`)
- weight of pallet loading unit (`WEIGHT`) with carrier [mm]
- height of pallet loading unit (`HEIGHT`) with carrier [kg]
- type of pallet loading unit (TOP or BASE) due to the possibility of creating sandwich pallets (SNDW)

1.4 Brief description of the algorithm

The algorithm works for a set of orders that come from at least one contractor. Products are assigned to pallet loading units separately for each order.

The following steps are performed for subsequent orders from the set:

1. For each assortment (Product_ID), the number of full layers and the number of residual layers are determined. For the non-full layers, it determines the value of the layer filling factor fw .
2. Full layers are placed on pallets while maintaining the permissible pallet weight and pallet height. First, homogeneous pallets. Next, mixed pallets. In both cases taking into account the fragility class of the goods. Pallets that have reached the permissible values of weight or height parameters (W^{max} , H^{max} respectively) are BASE pallets. The remaining pallets will be used to arrange the non-full layers. If all goods from a given order have been assigned to pallet loading units, go to the next order.
3. Non-full layers are then considered:
 - They are tried to be selected so that the difference in the height of the two or three assortments that are potentially to constitute it does not exceed 10 [mm] and the total fill factor of the layer created from them is less than 1.0. Then they are added to the remaining pallet created in step 1, taking into account the weight and maximum height values. If there are no longer pallet loading units with full layers, we create new mixed pallet loading units, taking into account the fragility class of the goods and the weight and height of the pallet. The pallet loading units created in this way are of the BASE type.
 - If there are no goods whose height difference does not exceed 10 [mm], they are combined to form a layer whose total fill factor is not greater than 1.0 and added as the highest layer of the pallet loading unit, taking into account the weight and maximum height of the pallet. The created pallet loading unit is of the TOP type.
4. We combine the remaining products (Product_ID) into layers whose total fill factor does not exceed 1.0. We create a new pallet loading unit and add a layer to it, taking into account the weight and maximum height values. The created pallet loading unit is of the TOP type.
5. When all Product_IDs from the current order have been assigned to pallet load units, the degree of weight and height balance of the created mix type pallet load units is checked. If satisfied, the algorithm terminates for the current order. If they are not, the values of the W^{max} and H^{max} parameters are decremented and the algorithm returns to step 2. In the pseudocode below, the parameter values are decremented to 0.99 of their current value.

1.5 Indexes

- i – product included in the order, where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots, I$
- j – pallet mix type loading unit
- w – layer on a pallet mix loading unit
- z – client's order

1.6 Parameters

- CL_i – fragility class of the i th product (according to the standard)
- CL_j – fragility class of the j th pallet loading unit determined as the highest CL_i value of the PRODUCT.ID items included in the j th pallet loading unit mix
- fw – layer filling degree; parameter subject to control $fw = < 0.7; 1 >$
- fW_{top} – the degree of filling of the highest pallet layer of a load unit
- H_i – unit height of the i th product (according to the standard)
- H_j – height of the j th pallet load unit mix
- H^{max} – maximum height of a pallet load unit mix (system parameter)
- H^{diff} – difference between the maximum height of the pallet loading unit mix H^{max} and the height of the j th pallet loading unit mix H_j
- LP_i – number of units of the i th product in the order
- LP_i^{nor} – number of units of the i th product on a standard pallet loading unit
- LW_i^{nor} – number of layers of the i th product in a standard pallet loading unit
- S_j – status of the j – th pallet loading unit mix due to the possibility of being included in the planning of the construction of the SNDW T – pallet loading unit TOP, i.e. it can only be placed on the top of the SNDW; B – BASE pallet loading unit, i.e. can be placed as a base or intermediate layer
- w_i – number of layers of the i th product in the order, where $w_i = w_i^{INT} + w_i^R$
- w_i^{INT} – total value of the number of layers of the i th product in the order
- w_i^R – non-integer value of the number of layers of the i th product in the order
- W_i – weight of the i th product in the order
- W_i^{norm} – standard weight of a pallet loading unit with the i th product
- W_j – weight of the j th pallet load unit mix
- W_j^{zpk} – the difference in the weight of the standard pallet loading unit with the i th Winorm product and the weight of the j th mix pallet loading unit, determined when breaking the fragility class parameter
- W – a set of single layers opened with 2 or 3 Product.ID. Each layer can be supplemented with another Product.ID and added as the highest layer in the palette

- W_n – weight of n products in the order
- W^{max} – maximum weight of a pallet load unit mix (system parameter)
- W^{diff} – difference between the maximum weight of the pallet loading unit mix W^{max} and the weight of the j th pallet loading unit mix W_j
- ZP – a set of products for planning a pallet load unit mix

1.7 Suggested parameter values

- $H^{max} = 1700[mm]$
- $W^{max} = 700[kg]$
- $f_w \in [0.7 \ 1.0]$

1.8 Operators

- \cup - Adding the product layer or Product_ID to the top layer of the palette that is currently being built. Updates the palette parameters. The goods are marked as assigned to the pallet - they become planned. The algorithm stores information about the Product_ID state in the *Added.i* array.
- \sqcup - Binary operator. Returns true if the *Product_ID_i* and *Product_ID_{i+n}* items were combined in one layer. False otherwise.
- \oplus - Adding a layer or Product_ID to the palette that is currently being built taking into account the fragility class. Updates the palette parameters. The goods are marked as assigned to the pallet - they become planned.
- \setminus - Removing the last added layer or Product_ID from the palette that is currently being built. Updates the palette parameters. The goods return to the pool of goods from the current order to be planned - they become unplanned. The algorithm stores information about the Product_ID state in the *Added.i* array.
- \cap - Determining the value of layer filling factor for at least two Product_IDs included in the layer.

2 Algorithm

Algorithm 1 Palet Stacking algorithm

Input: $z, CL(i), ZP, H^{max}, W^{max}, f_{wmin}, f_{wmax}, h_{diff}$
Output: $SetSofpalletlabeledas, , TOP''or, , BASE''$

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1:  $j \leftarrow 0$ 
2:  $S \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
3: for each  $z \in Z$  do ▷ Execute for each order in the set of orders
4:   for each  $Product\_ID \in z$  do
5:      $l_i^{INT} \leftarrow int(\frac{LP_i}{LP_i^{NOR} * LW_i^{NOR}})$ 
6:      $l_i^R \leftarrow \frac{LP_i}{LP_i^{NOR} * LW_i^{NOR}} - l_i^{INT}$ 
7:      $l_i^{Planned}(1 : l_i^{INT} + l_i^R) \leftarrow false$ 
8:      $Added_i \leftarrow false$  ▷ Each Product_ID in the order has not been assigned to a pallet loading unit
9:      $l_i = l_i^{INT} + l_i^R$ 
10:     $fw_i^{INT} \leftarrow 0$  ▷ The fill factor of the full layer for a given Product_ID
11:     $fw_i^R \leftarrow 1 - l_i^R$  ▷ The fill factor of the non-full layer for a given Product_ID
12:  end for each
13:  for each  $i \in Z$  do
14:    if  $fw_i^{INT} = 0$  and  $fw_i^R = 0$  then
15:       $S \leftarrow S \cup Make\_full\_layers\_pallet(i, CL(i), H^{max}, W^{max}, j)$  ▷ Creating pallet loading units from full layers
16:       $Added_i = true$ 
17:      go to 22
18:    else
19:      go to 22
20:    end if
21:  end for each
22:  for each  $i \in Z$  do
23:     $sort(i, CL(i), 1)$  ▷ Product_IDs that have not been assigned to a pallet loading unit are sorted ascending by fragility class
24:     $sort(i, CL(i), w_i, -1)$  ▷ Within each fragility class we sort in descending order by the number of layers that have not been assigned to a pallet unit
    load
25:  end for each
26:  for each  $i \in Z$  do
27:    if  $\exists i : l_i^{Planned}(:) = false \& l_i^{Planned}(:) = true$  then ▷ Are there any items on the pallet load unit to which Product_ID has not been attempted?
28:      go to 50
29:    else
30:      if  $\exists i : l_i^{Planned}(1 :) = false$  then ▷ Are there Product_IDs in the order that have not been attempted to be added to the Product_IDs that make up the mix type pallet unit load?

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31:         go to 74
32:     else
33:         for each  $j \in S$  do
34:             if  $|W_j - W_{\neq j}| < W^{diff} \& |H_j - H_{\neq j}| < H^{diff}$  then ▷ Check the degree of weight and height balance of pallet load units
35:                 go to 751
36:             else
37:                  $W^{max} \leftarrow 0.99 * W^{max}$  ▷ Changing the values of the  $W^{max}$  and  $H^{max}$  parameters to achieve improved balance
38:                  $H^{max} \leftarrow 0.99 * H^{max}$ 
39:                 go to 13
40:             end if
41:         end for each
42:     end if
43: end if
44: for each  $j \in S$  do ▷ Is it possible to add new  $Product\_ID$  to already created pallet loading units?
45:      $W_j^{mix} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{j=1}^J W_j}{W^{max}}$  ▷ Calculate the weight coefficient  $W_{mix}$  and the height  $H_{mix}$  of a pallet mix loading unit.
46:      $H_j^{mix} \leftarrow \frac{\sum_{j=1}^J H_j}{H^{max}}$ 
47: end for each
48:  $W^{max} \leftarrow \max_j(W_j^{mix})$  ▷ Choose a pallet with the maximum weight or height
49:  $H^{max} \leftarrow \max_j(H_j^{mix})$ 
50: for each  $j \in S$  do
51:      $W_j^{diff} \leftarrow W^{max} - W_j$  ▷ Calculate the difference in the maximum weight and height of the pallet loading unit  $j$  and the maximum weight and
height, respectively
52:      $H_j^{diff} \leftarrow H^{max} - H_j$ 
53: end for each
54: for each  $i \in Z$  do ▷ Select  $Product\_ID$  with a weight or height not greater than the differences calculated above
55:     if  $W_i \leq W^{diff} \parallel H_i \leq H^{diff}$  then
56:         go to 62
57:     else
58:          $S_j \leftarrow , , BASE''$  ▷ The BASE type pallet loading unit was built
59:         go to 26
60:     end if
61: end for each
62: for each  $j \in S$  do ▷ For a pallet loading unit, calculate the difference between its weight  $W_j$  or height  $H_j$  and the maximum weight  $W^{max}$  and
height  $H^{max}$ , respectively
63:      $H_j^{diff} = H^{max} - H_j$ 
64:      $W_j^{diff} = W^{max} - W_j$ 

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65:         for each  $i \in z$  do           ▷ Are there Product_IDs in the order whose height or weight is less than the difference calculated above ( $H_{diff}$ ,  $W_{diff}$ 
respectively)
66:             if  $H_i \leq H_{diff} \parallel W_i \leq W_{diff}$  then
67:                 go to 236
68:             else
69:                  $S_j \leftarrow , BASE''$            ▷ The BASE pallet load unit is builded
70:                 go to 26
71:             end if
72:         end for each
73:     end for each
74:     for each  $i \in z$  do           ▷ Are there any Product_ID items that have not been combined yet and have full layers, i.e.  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$ ?
75:         if  $Added_i = false \& fw_i \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
76:             go to 82
77:         else
78:             go to 175
79:         end if
80:     end for each
81:      $count \leftarrow 0$            ▷ Are there at least two Product_ID items in the order that have full tiers ( $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$ )
82:     for each  $i \in z$  do
83:         if  $fw_i \in [0.7 : 1.0]$  then
84:              $count \leftarrow count + 1$ 
85:         end if
86:     end for each
87:     if  $count \geq 2$  then
88:         go to 92
89:     else
90:         go to 143
91:     end if
92:     for each  $i \in z \& fw_i \in [0.7 : 1.0]$  do ▷ Is it possible to combine two Product_IDs into a layer? The difference in their heights  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10[mm]$ 
93:         if  $\exists_n : \|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10$  then           ▷ Will adding the combined Product_ID to a pallet unit load not exceed the value of  $W^{max}$  or  $H^{max}$ ?
94:             if  $\sum_{k=1}^I W_k > W^{max} \parallel \sum_{k=1}^I H_k > H^{max}$  then
95:                 go to 74           ▷ The values of  $W^{max}$  or  $H^{max}$  have been exceeded
96:             end if
97:             if  $\sum_{K=1}^I W_k \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{k=1}^I H_k \leq H^{max}$  then
98:                 if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} > 1.0$  then           ▷ Checking the fill factor of the common layer
99:                     go to 74
100:                 else

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101:      if  $\exists_i : planned_i = false$  then                                ▷ Is there a Product.ID in the order that is not assigned to a pallet loading unit?
102:          for each  $j \in S$  do
103:              if  $W_j + W_i \geq W_{max} \parallel W_j + W_i \geq W_{max} \parallel CL_i \geq CL_j$  then    ▷ Possibility of adding to an existing mix pallet loading unit due to
values of  $W^{max}$ ,  $H^{max}$  and fragility class
104:                  if  $fw_j + fw_i \leq 1$  then
105:                       $S_j \cup Product\_ID(S_j, i)$ 
106:                      if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} < 0.7$  then    ▷ If the total fw of a layer i 0.7, split the pre-connected Product_IDs that constitute this
layer
107:                           $i \setminus i + n$ 
108:                          go to 74
109:                      else
110:                           $S_j = BASE$                                 ▷ A pallet loading unit has been created. It is of the BASE type
111:                          go to 30
112:                      end if
113:                  else
114:                      if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} < 0.7$  then    ▷ If the total fw of a layer i 0.7, split the pre-connected Product_IDs that constitute this
layer
115:                           $i \setminus i + n$ 
116:                          go to 74
117:                      end if
118:                      if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then    ▷ A pallet loading unit has been created. It is of the BASE type
119:                           $S_j = BASE$ 
120:                          go to 30
121:                      end if
122:                  end if
123:              else
124:                  if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} < 0.7$  then    ▷ If the total fw of a layer i 0.7, split the pre-connected Product_IDs that constitute this layer
125:                       $i \setminus i + n$ 
126:                      go to 74
127:                  else
128:                      if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then    ▷ A pallet loading unit has been created. It is the BASE type
129:                           $S_j = BASE$ 
130:                          go to 30
131:                      end if
132:                  end if
133:              end if
134:          end for each

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135:         else
136:         end if
137:     end if
138: end if
139: else
140:     go to 30 ▷ If the height difference  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\|$  exceeds 10[mm].
141: end if
142: end for each
143: if  $i : fw_i \in [0.7; 1.0] \& \exists_n CL_i < CL_{i+n}$  then ▷ Can further items from the order be placed on the full-layer  $i$  Product_ID item due to the fragility
    class ( $CL_i \leq CL_{i+n}$ )
144:     if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} \leq 1$  then
145:         if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i < W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i < H^{max}$  then ▷ If the weight and height of the pallet loading unit do not exceed the maximum values after
            entering Product_IDs, add Product_IDs
146:             if  $fw < 0.7$  then ▷ Check the layer feeling degree of top layer
147:                  $S_j \cup Product\_ID(S_j, i)$ 
148:                  $S_j = TOP$ 
149:                 go to 30
150:             end if
151:             if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
152:                  $S_j \cup Product\_ID(S_j, i)$ 
153:                 if  $Try\_Pillars(S_j) = true$  then
154:                      $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
155:                     go to 30
156:                 else
157:                      $S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
158:                     go to 30
159:                 end if
160:             end if
161:         end if
162:     end if
163: else ▷ If you cannot Product_ID with the full layer  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  creates a new mix type pallet loading unit
    Make_new_Pallet(Product_ID $i$ )
164:      $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
165:     if  $fw_i < 0.7$  then ▷ Check the layer feeling degree of top layer
166:          $S_j = TOP$ 
167:         go to 30
168:     end if
169: end if

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170:         if  $fw_i \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
171:              $S_j = base$ 
172:             go to 30
173:         end if
174:     end if
175:     for each  $i \in z$  do
176:         if  $\exists_n : \|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10$  then
177:             go to 182
178:         else
179:             go to 30
180:         end if
181:     end for each
182:      $W^{sum} \leftarrow 0$ 
183:      $top\_layer \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
184:      $fw_{top\_layer} \leftarrow 0$ 
185:     for each  $i \in z$  do
186:         if  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10$  then
187:              $top\_layer \leftarrow top\_layer \cup i + n$ 
188:              $W^{sum} \leftarrow W^{sum} + W_{i+n}$ 
189:              $fw_{top\_layer} \leftarrow fw_{top\_layer} + fw_{i+n}$ 
190:         end if
191:     end for each
192:     if  $W^{sum} + W_j < W^{max}$  then
193:         if  $fw_{top\_layer} < 1 \& H_j + H_{i+n} < H^{max}$  then
194:              $Create\_Pillars()$ 
195:         end if
196:         if  $fw_{top\_layer} < 0.7$  then
197:              $S_j \cup top\_layer$ 
198:              $S_j = TOP$ 
199:             go to 175
200:         end if
201:         if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
202:              $S_j \cup top\_layer$ 
203:             if  $try\_pillars(S_j) = true$  then
204:                  $S_j = TOP$ 
205:                 go to 175

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175: \triangleright Check if there are Product_IDs in the order that can create a layer
 176: \triangleright Condition for combining two Product_IDs items into a layer in order to be added to a pallet load unit
 182: \triangleright Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit after adding the Product_IDs items that can be combined does not exceed the maximum W^{max}
 186: \triangleright If combining is possible
 192: \triangleright If it does not exceed, add combined Product_IDs
 194: \triangleright Consider building pillars
 203: \triangleright Are there any pillars in the top layer?

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206:         else
207:              $S_j = BASE$ 
208:             go to 175
209:         end if
210:     end if
211: else
212:     while  $W^{sum} + W_j > W^{max}$  do ▷ If it exceeds, we remove items from the added Product_IDs until the weight does not exceed  $W^{max}$ 
213:          $top\_layer \leftarrow top\_layer \setminus i + n$ 
214:          $W^{sum} \leftarrow W^{sum} - W_{i+n}$ 
215:          $fw_{top\_layer} \leftarrow fw_{top\_layer} - fw_{i+w}$ 
216:     end while
217:     if  $fw_{top\_layer} < 1 \& H_j + H_{i+n} < H^{max}$  then ▷ Check whether the filling factor of the top layer is not greater than 1 and whether the maximum
height  $H^{max}$  has not been exceeded
218:         Create_Pillars() ▷ Consider building pillars
219:     end if
220:     if  $fw_{top\_layer} < 0.7$  then ▷ Check the filling factor of the top layer
221:          $S_j \cup top\_layer$ 
222:          $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
223:         go to 175
224:     end if
225:     if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
226:          $S_j \cup top\_layer$ 
227:         if try_pillars( $S_j$ ) = true then ▷ Are there any pillars in the top layer?
228:              $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
229:             go to 175
230:         else
231:              $S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
232:             go to 175
233:         end if
234:     end if
235: end if
236:  $CL_j \leftarrow 0$  ▷ Check the fragility class of the pre-built pallet
237: for each  $Product\_ID \in S_j$  do
238:     if  $CL_i > CL_j$  then
239:          $CL_j \leftarrow CL_i$ 
240:     end if
241: end for each

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242:  end for each
243:  if  $Product\_ID \in LP_i = 0$  then
244:      go to 26
245:  end if
246:  if  $Product\_ID \in LP_i = 1$  then
247:      go to 252
248:  end if
249:  if  $Product\_ID \in LP_i > 1$  then
250:      go to 267
251:  end if
252:  if  $CL_i < CL_j$  then
253:      if  $\exists_j : Considered_j = false$  then
254:           $S_j = BASE$ 
255:           $Considered_j = true$ 
256:          go to 50
257:      else
258:           $S_j = BASE$ 
259:           $j \leftarrow j + 1$ 
260:           $S_j \cup Product\_ID$ 
261:          go to 74
262:      end if
263:  else
264:       $S_j \cup Product\_ID$ 
265:      go to 26
266:  end if
267:  if  $CL_1 = CL_2 = CL_n = CL_i \& CL_i < CL_j$  then
268:      go to 282
269:  end if
270:  if  $CL_1 = CL_2 = CL_n = CL_i \& CL_i \geq CL_j$  then
271:      go to 431
272:  end if
273:  if  $CL_1 \neq CL_2 \neq CL_n \neq CL_i \& CL_i < CL_j$  then
274:      go to 282
275:  end if
276:  if  $CL_1 \neq CL_2 \neq CL_n \neq CL_i \& CL_i \geq CL_j$  then
277:      go to 431
278:  end if

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▷ How many Product.ID LP_i are left in the current order
 ▷ Compare the fragility class of CL_i Product.ID with the fragility class of the pallet unit load CL_j
 ▷ Whether a mix type pallet loading unit was built to which adding Product.IDs was not considered
 ▷ Check the fragility class CL_i of the Product.ID item in the order

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279:  if  $CL_1 \neq CL_2 \neq CL_n \neq CL_i$  &  $CL_i \geq CL_j$  &  $CL_n < CL_j$  then
280:      go to 743
281:  end if
282:  if  $\exists_i : fw_i \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then                                ▷ Are there full-tier Product_IDs ( $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$ ) among the order items?
283:      go to 299
284:  else
285:      if  $LP_i = 1$  then                                            ▷ Calculate the number of Product_ID items with full tiers in the order
286:          if  $fw < 0.7$  then
287:              go to 26
288:          end if
289:          if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
290:               $S_j \cup LP_i$                                         ▷ Add Product_IDs to the pallet load unit taking into account the fragility class  $CL_i$ 
291:              go to 26
292:          end if
293:      else
294:          if  $LP_i > 1$  then
295:              go to 359
296:          end if
297:      end if
298:  end if
299:  if  $\exists_{i, \dots, i+n; n>1} : Product_ID_i \cup Product_ID_{i+n} \text{ & } fw_i, fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then  ▷ There are two or more Product_IDs in the order that have not been
    combined before
300:      go to 304
301:  else
302:      go to 330
303:  end if
304:  if  $fw_i, fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then                                ▷ Is it possible to combine two Product_ID items with full layers?
305:      if  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10$  then
306:          if  $fw_i + fw_{i+n} < 0.7$  then                                ▷ Checking the possibility of combining 3-rd Product_ID
307:              if  $\|H_i - H_{i+m}\| \leq 10$  &  $\|H_{i+n} - H_{i+m}\| \leq 10$  &  $fw_{i+m} < 0.7$  then
308:                   $Li \cup Product_ID_{i+m}$                             ▷ Add the product to the layer that is created
309:                  go to 305
310:              else
311:                  go to 305
312:              end if
313:          else
314:              if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then

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315:         if then
316:             go to 299
317:         else
318:              $S_j \setminus (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_i + n, Product\_ID_i + m)$ 
319:             go to 299
320:         end if
321:     end if
322:     if  $fw > 1$  then
323:         go to 299
324:     end if
325: end if
326: else
327:     go to 299
328: end if
329: end if
330: if  $\exists_{i,i+n} : Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_i + n$  then
331:     if  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\| \leq 10$  then
332:         if  $fw < 0.7$  then
333:             go to 330
334:         end if
335:         if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
336:              $W \leftarrow Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_{i+n}$ 
337:              $S_j \uplus W$ 
338:             if  $\sum_i^I W_i > W^{max} \& \sum_i^I H_i > H^{max}$  then
339:                  $S_j \setminus W$ 
340:                 go to 330
341:             else
342:                 if  $\exists n : Product\_ID_n \in z$  then
343:                     go to 330
344:                 else
345:                      $S_j = BASE$ 
346:                     go to 26
347:                 end if
348:             end if
349:         end if
350:     if  $fw > 1$  then
351:         go to 330

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▷ Discard previously added items
 ▷ Are there Product_ID items that were not combined
 ▷ A new layer is built
 ▷ We add a layer to the pallet taking into account the fragility class
 ▷ Are there any items left in the order?

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352:         end if
353:     else
354:         go to 330
355:     end if
356: else
357:     go to 26
358: end if
359: if  $\exists_{i,n} : Product_ID_i \cup Product_ID_n$  then
360:     if  $\|H_i - H_n < 10$  then
361:         if  $fw_i \cap fw_n < 0.7$  then
362:             if  $\exists_i : i + 1 \neq n \& Product_ID_i \in z$  then
363:                 if  $\|H_i - H_{i+1} < 10\| \& \|H_n - H_{i+1} < 10\|$  then
364:                     if  $fw_i \cap fw_n \cap fwi + 1 < 0.7$  then
365:                         go to 361
366:                     end if
367:                     if  $fw_i \cap fw_n \cap fwi + 1 \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
368:                         go to 391
369:                     end if
370:                     if  $fw_i \cap fw_n \cap fwi + 1 > 1.0$  then
371:                          $W \cup Product\_id_{i\|i+1\|n} where fw_i, fw_i, fw_i < 1.0$ 
372:                         if  $fW < 0.7$  then
373:                             go to 361
374:                         end if
375:                         if  $fW \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
376:                             go to 391
377:                         end if
378:                     end if
379:                 else
380:                     go to 361
381:                 end if
382:             else
383:                 if  $fW_{top} \in [0.7; 1.0] \& H_{top}^{diff} < 10$  then
384:                      $S_j = BASE$ 
385:                 else
386:                      $S_j = TOP$ 
387:                 end if
388:             go to 26

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▷ If there are items (Product.IDs) that were not combined into a layer

▷ Is it possible to add another Product.ID from the order?

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389:         end if
390:     end if
391:     if  $fw_i \cap fw_n \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
392:          $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_n$ 
393:         if  $\sum_i^I W_i > W^{max} \parallel \sum_i^I H_i > H^{max}$  then
394:             go to 359
395:         else
396:             if  $\exists n : Product\_ID_n \in z$  then
397:                 go to 359
398:             else
399:                  $S_j = BASE$ 
400:                 go to 26
401:             end if
402:         end if
403:     end if
404:     if  $fw_i > 1.0$  then
405:         go to 359
406:     end if
407: else
408:     go to 359
409: end if
410: else
411:     if  $\exists_{i,n} : Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_n$  then
412:          $fW \leftarrow \cap fw_i$ 
413:         if  $fW > 1$  then
414:              $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i \forall_i : \sum_i fw_i \leq 1$ 
415:              $W_n \leftarrow \sum_i W\_Product\_ID_i$ 
416:              $W_j \leftarrow \sum_j W_j$ 
417:              $W_j^{zpk} = W^{norm} - W_j$ 
418:             if  $W_n \leq 0.7 * W_j^{zpk}$  then
419:                  $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i \forall_i$ 
420:                  $S_j = TOP$ 
421:                 go to 26
422:             end if
423:             if  $W_n > 0.7 * W_j^{zpk}$  then
424:                  $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i \forall_i : W_n \leq 0.7 * W_j^{zpk}$ 
425:                  $S_j = TOP$ 

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▷ Are there any items left in the order?

▷ There are no items (Product_IDs) that were not combined in one layer

▷ The weight of the items to be added
▷ Current weight of the pallet


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426:         go to 26
427:     end if
428: end if
429: end if
430: end if
431: if  $\exists_{i,\dots,i+n;n>1} : Product_ID_i \cup Product_ID_{i+n} \cap fw_i, fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then      ▷ Are in the order any items (Product.IDs) that have not been
    combined and have full layers?
432:     go to 436
433: else
434:     go to 625
435: end if
436: if  $\exists_{i,\dots,i+n;n\geq 1} : Product_ID_i \cup Product_ID_{i+n} \cap fw_i, fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then      ▷ Are in the order at least two items that have not been combined and
    have full layers?
437:     go to 441
438: else
439:     go to 481
440: end if
441: if  $\exists_{i,i+n} \|H_i - H_{i+n}\| < 10$  then
442:     if  $fw_i \cap fw_{i+n} < 0.7$  then
443:         if  $\exists Product_ID_{i,\dots} \cap fw_{i,\dots} < 0.7$  then      ▷  $Product_ID_i$  and  $Product_ID_{i+n}$  common layer fill factor
444:             if  $\forall_{m:m\neq i, m\neq i+n} \|H_m - H_i\| < 10 \& \|H_m - H_i\| < 10$  then      ▷ Are there any items in the order that do not have full layers?
445:                  $W \cup Product_ID_{i,\dots}$       ▷ Create a new layer from  $Product_ID_{i,\dots}$ 
446:                  $S_j \cup W$ 
447:                 if  $fW < 0.7$  then
448:                     go to 436
449:                 end if
450:                 if  $fW \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
451:                     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \parallel \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
452:                         go to ??
453:                     else
454:                          $S_j \text{ setminus } W$       ▷ Remove from the palette the previously added layer
455:                         go to 436
456:                     end if
457:                 end if
458:                 if  $fW > 1$  then
459:                     go to 436
460:                 end if

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461:         else
462:             go to 436
463:         end if
464:     end if
465: end if
466: if  $fw_i \cap fw_{i+n} \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
467:      $S_j \cup (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_{i+n})$  ▷ Add both items to the palette
468:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
469:         go to 436
470:     else
471:          $S_j \setminus (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_{i+n})$ 
472:         go to 436
473:     end if
474: end if
475: if  $fw_i \cap fw_{i+n} > 1.0$  then
476:     go to 436
477: end if
478: else
479:     go to 436
480: end if
481: if  $\exists_{i,i+n} \|H_i - H_{i+n}\| < 10$  then
482:      $W \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
483:      $W \cup (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_{i+n})$ 
484:     if  $fW < 0.7$  then
485:         if  $\exists Product\_ID_{i,...} \& fw_{i,...} < 0.7$  then ▷ Are there any items in the order that do not have full layers?
486:             go to 481
487:         else
488:             if  $\exists_{i,...,i+n;n} : Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_{i+n}$  then ▷ Are there any other items that have not been linked together?
489:                 if  $\|H_i - H_{i+n}\| < 10$  then
490:                      $W \cup (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_{i+n})$  ▷ The filling degree of the layer cannot exceed 1.0
491:                     if  $fW < 0.7$  then
492:                         if  $\exists_{i,...,i+n;n>1} : Product\_ID_i \cup Product\_ID_{i+n}$  then ▷ Are in order other items that were not combined?
493:                             go to 489
494:                         else
495:                              $H_{cmax} \leftarrow 0$ 
496:                             for each  $dom \in W$ 
497:                                  $j_{add} \leftarrow -1$ 

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498:      for each  $j \in S_j$  do
499:           $S_j \cup W_m$ 
500:          if  $H_j \leq H^{max} \& W_j \leq W^{max}$  then
501:              if  $H_j > H_{cmax}$  then
502:                   $H_{cmax} \leftarrow H_j$ 
503:                   $j_{add} \leftarrow j$ 
504:              else
505:                   $S_j \setminus W_m$ 
506:                   $j_{add} \leftarrow -1$ 
507:              end if
508:          else
509:               $S_j \setminus W_m$ 
510:               $j_{add} \leftarrow -1$ 
511:          end if
512:      end for each
513:      if  $j_{add} \neq -1$  then
514:          if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z \& W_j + W_i \leq W^{max} \& H_j - H_m + H_i$  then  $\triangleright$  Can we add Product.ID from the order to the top
layer?
515:               $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i$ 
516:          end if
517:           $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
518:          go to 26
519:      end if
520:  end for each
521:  for each  $m \in W$  do
522:       $W \setminus Product\_ID_i \in W \& H_i = max$   $\triangleright$  From each set we remove the Product.ID whose height is the highest
523:      go to 495
524:  end for each
525:  end if
526: end if
527: if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
528:      $W \cup (Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_i + n)$ 
529:     if  $W_j \leq W^{max}$  then
530:          $\S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
531:         go to 26
532:     else
533:         while  $W_j + W_{Product\_ID_i} \leq W^{max}$  do  $\triangleright$  Add additional Product.id items that do not exceed the maximum weight limit  $W^{max}$ 

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534:          $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i$ 
535:     end while
536:     if  $fw < 0.7$  then
537:         go to 481
538:     end if
539:     if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
540:          $S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
541:         go to 26
542:     end if
543: end if
544: end if
545: else
546:     for each  $m \in W$  do                                ▷ Add Product_ID to the linked items so as not to exceed the fill factor value 1( $fw \leq 1$ )
547:         while  $fw_i + fW < 1.0$  do
548:              $W_m \cup Product\_ID_i$ 
549:         end while
550:          $S_j \cup W_m$ 
551:         if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
552:              $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
553:             go to 26
554:         else
555:             while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  do        ▷ Remove the added Product_id until the  $W^{max}$  and  $H^{max}$  values of the
pallet are not exceeded
556:                  $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i$ 
557:             end while
558:              $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
559:             go to 26
560:         end if
561:     end for each
562: end if
563: else                                                    ▷ Add Product_ID for which the height difference exceeds 10[mm]
564:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
565:          $S_j = TOP$ 
566:         go to 26
567:     else
568:         while  $W_j + W_{Product\_ID_i} \leq W^{max} \& W_j + W_{Product\_ID_i} \leq W^{max}$  do
569:              $S_j \cup Product\_ID$ 

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570:         end while
571:          $S_j = TOP$ 
572:         go to 26
573:     end if
574: end if
575: end if
576: if  $fW \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
577:      $S_j \cup Product\_ID$ 
578:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
579:         if  $\exists_{i,n} : Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_{i+n} \in z \& Product\_ID_i \sqcup Product\_ID_{i+n}$  then
580:             go to 481
581:         else
582:              $\S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
583:             go to 26
584:         end if
585:     else
586:         while  $W_j + W_{Product\_ID_i} \leq W^{max} \& W_j + W_{Product\_ID_i} \leq W^{max}$  do ▷ Add Product.ID to the palette until  $W^{max}$  or  $H^{max}$  is reached
587:              $S_j \cup Product\_ID_i$ 
588:         end while
589:         if  $fw < 0.7$  then
590:              $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
591:             go to 26
592:         end if
593:         if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
594:             if  $h_{diff} \leq 10$  then
595:                  $S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
596:             else
597:                  $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
598:             end if
599:         end if
600:         go to 26
601:     end if
602:     if  $fw > 1.0$  then
603:         while  $fw > 1.0$  do
604:              $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i$ 
605:         end while
606:         if  $fw < 0.7$  then

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607:          $S_j \leftarrow TOP$ 
608:     end if
609:     if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
610:          $S_j \leftarrow BASE$ 
611:     end if
612:     go to 26
613: end if
614: end if
615: end if
616: else
617:     while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max} \& fw \leq 1$  do
618:         if  $\exists_n Product\_ID_n : H_n = max \& \sum_{i=1}^I W_i + W_n \leq W^{max} \& \sum_{i=1}^I H_i + H_n \leq H^{max} \& fw \cap fw_n \leq 1$  then
619:              $S_j \sum Product\_ID_n$ 
620:              $S_j = TOP$ 
621:             go to 26
622:         end if
623:     end while
624: end if
625: if  $\exists_{i, \dots, i+n; n \geq 1} : \|H_i - H_{i \dots n}\| \leq 10$  then ▷ Are there Product.ID items whose height difference does not exceed 10[mm]
626:     if  $fw < 0.7$  then
627:         if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z$  then ▷ There are items in the order that can be added to the pallet unit load
628:             go to 625
629:         else ▷ There are no additional items in the order that can be added to the pallet unit load
630:              $S_j \cup Product\_ID_{i \dots n}$  ▷ Add those that meet the height difference condition
631:             if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \parallel \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
632:                  $S_j = TOP$ 
633:                 go to 26
634:             else
635:                  $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_{i \dots n}$  ▷ Remove from the pallet loading unit previously added items
636:                 if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z$  then
637:                     go to ??
638:                 else
639:                     go to 26
640:                 end if
641:             end if
642:         end if
643:     end if

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644:   if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
645:      $S_j \cup Product\_ID_{i...n}$ 
646:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i \leq W^{max} \parallel \sum_{i=1}^I H_i \leq H^{max}$  then
647:       if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z$  then
648:         go to 625
649:       else
650:          $S_j = BASE$ 
651:         go to 26
652:       end if
653:     else
654:        $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_{i...n}$ 
655:       if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z$  then
656:         go to 625
657:       else
658:         go to 26
659:       end if
660:     end if
661:   end if
662:   if  $fw > 1.0$  then
663:     if  $\exists_i : Product\_ID_i \in z$  then
664:       go to 625
665:     else
666:       if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  then
667:         while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  do
668:            $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : W_i = max$ 
669:           reached
670:           end while
671:         end if
672:         if  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  then
673:           while  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  do
674:              $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : H_i = max$ 
675:             reached
676:             end while
677:           end if
678:           if  $fw > 1.0$  then
679:             while  $fw > 1.0$  do
680:                $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : fw = max$ 

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▷ Remove from the pallet loading unit previously added items
 ▷ Remove the Product_ID of the maximum weight from the pallet unit load until the W^{max} value is reached
 ▷ Remove the Product_ID of the maximum height from the pallet unit load until the H^{max} value is reached
 ▷ Remove the Product_ID of the maximum height from the pallet unit load until the fw value of top

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layer is reached
679:      end while
680:      end if
681:      if  $\forall_{i,j} : Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_j \in Toplayer \& \|H_i - H_j\| \leq 10 \& fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
682:           $S_j = BASE$ 
683:          go to 26
684:      end if
685:      if  $\forall_{i,j} : Product\_ID_i, Product\_ID_j \in Toplayer \& \|H_i - H_j\| > 10 \& fw < 0.7$  then
686:           $S_j = TOP$ 
687:          go to 26
688:      end if
689:      end if
690:  end if
691:  else
692:      if  $fw < 0.7$  then
693:           $S_j \cup Product\_ID_{i...n}$ 
694:          if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  then ▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded
695:              while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  do ▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit  $W^{max}$  is reached
696:                   $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : W_i = \min$ 
697:              end while
698:          end if
699:          if  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  then ▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded
700:              while  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  do ▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit  $W^{max}$  is reached
701:                   $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : H_i = \min$ 
702:              end while
703:          end if
704:           $S_j = TOP$ 
705:          go to 26
706:      end if
707:      if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
708:           $S_j \cup Product\_ID_{i...n}$ 
709:          if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  then ▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded
710:              while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  do ▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit  $H^{max}$  is reached
711:                   $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : W_i = \min$ 
712:              end while
713:          end if
714:          if  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  then ▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded

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715:         while  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  do
716:              $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : H_i = min$ 
717:         end while
718:     end if
719:      $S_j = TOP$ 
720:     go to 26
721: end if
722: if  $fw > 1.0$  then
723:      $S_j \cup Product\_ID_{i...n} : fw_i = max$ 
724:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  then
725:         while  $\sum_{i=1}^I W_i > W^{max}$  do
726:              $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : W_i = min$ 
727:         end while
728:     end if
729:     if  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  then
730:         while  $\sum_{i=1}^I H_i > H^{max}$  do
731:              $S_j \setminus Product\_ID_i : H_i = min$ 
732:         end while
733:     end if
734: end if
735: if  $fw \in [0.7; 1.0]$  then
736:      $S_j = BASE$ 
737:     go to 26
738: else
739:      $S_j = TOP$ 
740:     go to 26
741: end if
742: end if
743: for each  $Product\_ID_i$  do
744:     if  $CL_i < CL_j$  then
745:         go to 282
746:     else
747:         go to 431
748:     end if
749: end for each
750: end for each
751: STOP

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▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit H^{max} is reached

▷ Add to the pallet loading unit the Product_ID with the highest degree of layer filling fw_i

▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded

▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit H^{max} is reached

▷ Check whether the weight of the pallet loading unit has not been exceeded

▷ Remove those with the lowest weight until the weight of the pallet loading unit H^{max} is reached