Dedicated Storage Assignment (DSAP)

- The assignment of items to slots is termed slotting
 - With randomized storage, all items are assigned to all slots
- DSAP (dedicated storage assignment problem):
 - Assign N items to slots to minimize total cost of material flow
- DSAP solution procedure:
 - 1. Order Slots: Compute the expected cost for each slot and then put into nondecreasing order
 - 2. Order Items: Put the flow density (flow per unit of volume) for each item i into nonincreasing order

$$\frac{f_{[1]}}{M_{[1]}s_{[1]}} \ge \frac{f_{[2]}}{M_{[2]}s_{[2]}} \ge \dots \ge \frac{f_{[N]}}{M_{[N]}s_{[N]}}$$

3. Assign Items to Slots: For i = 1, ..., N, assign item [i] to the first slots with a total volume of at least $M_{[i]}s_{[i]}$

1-D Slotting Example

| | | Α | В | С |
|--------------|-----------|------|------|------|
| Max units | M | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Space/unit | S | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Flow | f | 24 | 7 | 21 |
| Flow Density | f/(M x s) | 6.00 | 1.40 | 7.00 |

| Flow Density | | 1- | -D Slot A | ssignments | ; | | | | Expected Distance | Flow | Total Distance |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|-----------|------------|---|---|---|------|----------------------|------|-------------------|
| $\frac{21}{3} = 7.00$ | 1/O C C | c 3 | | | | | | | 2(0) + 3 = 3 × | 21 = | 63 |
| $\frac{24}{4} = 6.00$ | I/O | 0 | A A | A 4 | | | | | 2(3) + 4 = 10 × | 24 = | 240 |
| $\frac{7}{5} = 1.40$ | I/O | | | B 0 | В | В | В | В 5 | 2(7) + 5 = 19 × | 7 = | 133 |
| | 0 C C | C A 3 | A A | A B | В | В | В | B 12 | | | 436 |

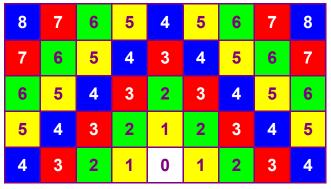
1-D Slotting Example (cont)

| | | | Dedicate | ed | Random | C | Class-Based | | |
|--------------|-----------|------|----------|------|--------|------|-------------|------|--|
| | | Α | В | С | ABC | AB | AC | вс | |
| Max units | М | 4 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 8 | |
| Space/unit | S | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Flow | f | 24 | 7 | 21 | 52 | 31 | 45 | 28 | |
| Flow Density | f/(M x s) | 6.00 | 1.40 | 7.00 | 5.78 | 4.43 | 6.43 | 3.50 | |

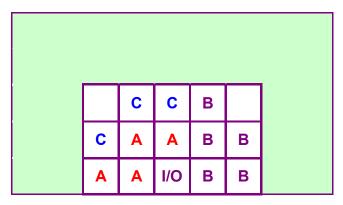
| 1-D Slot Assignments | | | | | | | | | | Total Distance | Total Space | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------------|----------------|---|---|-----|----|
| Dedicated (flow density) | I/O | С | С | С | Α | Α | Α | Α | В | В | В | В | В | 436 | 12 |
| Dedicated (flow only) | I/O | Α | Α | Α | Α | С | С | С | В | В | В | В | В | 460 | 12 |
| Class-based | I/O | С | С | С | АВ | AB | АВ | АВ | АВ | АВ | АВ | | | 466 | 10 |
| Randomized | I/O | ABC | | | | 468 | 9 |

2-D Slotting Example

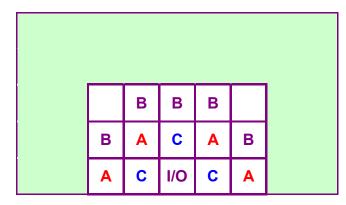
| | | Α | В | С |
|--------------|-----------|------|------|------|
| Max units | M | 4 | 5 | 3 |
| Space/unit | S | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Flow | f | 24 | 7 | 21 |
| Flow Density | f/(M x s) | 6.00 | 1.40 | 7.00 |



Distance from I/O to Slot



Original Assignment (TD = 215)



Optimal Assignment (TD = 177)

DSAP Assumptions

- 1. All SC S/R moves
- 2. For item *i*, probability of move to/from each slot assigned to item is the same
- 3. The factoring assumption:
 - Handling cost and distances (or times) for each slot are identical for all items
 - b. Percent of S/R moves of item stored at slot *j* to/from I/O port *k* is identical for all items
- Depending of which assumptions not valid, can determine assignment using other procedures

$$(c_{i}x_{ij}) DSAP \subset LAP \subset LP \subset QAP (c_{ijkl}x_{ij}x_{kl})$$

$$(c_{ij}x_{ij}) \qquad TSP$$

Example 5: 1-D DSAP

- What is the change in the minimum expected total distance traveled if dedicated, as compared to randomized, block stacking is used, where
 - a. Slots located on one side of 10-foot-wide down aisle
 - b. All single-command S/R operations
 - c. Each lane is three-deep, four-high
 - d. 40×36 in. two-way pallet used for all loads
 - e. Max inventory levels of SKUs A, B, C are 94, 64, and 50
 - f. Inventory levels are uncorrelated and retrievals occur at a constant rate
 - g. Throughput requirements of A, B, C are 160, 140, 130
 - h. Single I/O port is located at the end of the aisle

Example 5: 1-D DSAP

• Randomized:

$$M = \left\lfloor \frac{M_A + M_B + M_C}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{94 + 64 + 50}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right\rfloor = 104$$

$$L_{rand} = \left\lceil \frac{M + NH\left(\frac{D-1}{2}\right) + N\left(\frac{H-1}{2}\right)}{DH} \right\rceil$$

$$= \left| \frac{104 + 3(4)\left(\frac{3-1}{2}\right) + N\left(\frac{4-1}{2}\right)}{3(4)} \right| = 11 \text{ lanes}$$

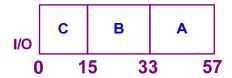
$$X = xL_{rand} = 3(11) = 33 \text{ ft}$$

$$d_{SC} = X = 33 \text{ ft}$$

$$TD_{rand} = (f_A + f_B + f_C)X = (160 + 140 + 130)33 = 14,190 \text{ ft}$$

Example 5: 1-D DSAP

• Dedicated:



$$\frac{f_A}{M_A} = \frac{160}{94} = 1.7, \frac{f_B}{M_B} = \frac{140}{64} = 2.19, \frac{f_C}{M_C} = \frac{130}{50} = 2.6 \implies C > B > A$$

$$L_A = \left\lceil \frac{M_A}{DH} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{94}{3(4)} \right\rceil = 8, L_B = \left\lceil \frac{M_B}{DH} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{64}{3(4)} \right\rceil = 6, L_C = \left\lceil \frac{M_C}{DH} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{50}{3(4)} \right\rceil = 5$$

$$X_C = xL_C = 3(5) = 15, X_B = xL_B = 3(6) = 18, X_A = xL_A = 3(8) = 24$$

$$d_{SC}^C = X_C = 3(5) = 15 \text{ ft}$$

$$d_{SC}^B = 2(X_C) + X_B = 2(15) + 18 = 48 \text{ ft}$$

$$d_{SC}^A = 2(X_C + X_B) + X_A = 2(15 + 18) + 24 = 90 \text{ ft}$$

$$TD_{ded} = f_A d_{SC}^A + f_B d_{SC}^B + f_C d_{SC}^C = 160(90) + 140(48) + 130(15) = 23,070 \text{ ft}$$