

JOB SEQUENCING WITH DEADLINES

The problem is stated as below.

- There are n jobs to be processed on a machine.
- Each job i has a deadline $d_i \geq 0$ and profit $p_i \geq 0$.
- P_i is earned iff the job is completed by its deadline.
- The job is completed if it is processed on a machine for unit time.
- Only one machine is available for processing jobs.
- Only one job is processed at a time on the machine.

Divide and Conquer

Greedy Method – Job sequencing problem

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JOB SEQUENCING WITH DEADLINES (Contd..)

- A feasible solution is a subset of jobs J such that each job is completed by its deadline.
- An optimal solution is a feasible solution with maximum profit value.

Example : Let $n = 4$, $(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = (100, 10, 15, 27)$,
 $(d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4) = (2, 1, 2, 1)$

JOB SEQUENCING WITH DEADLINES (Contd..)

Sr.No.	Feasible Solution	Processing Sequence	Profit value
(i)	(1,2)	(2,1)	110
(ii)	(1,3)	(1,3) or (3,1)	115
(iii)	(1,4)	(4,1)	127
(iv)	(2,3)	(2,3)	25
(v)	(3,4)	(4,3)	42
(vi)	(1)	(1)	100
(vii)	(2)	(2)	10
(viii)	(3)	(3)	15
(ix)	(4)	(4)	27

↑ is the optimal one

Greedy job scheduling example

Number of jobs $n=5$. Time slots 1, 2, 3. (Slot 0 is sentinel)

Job (i)	Profit	Deadline	Profit/Time
A	100	2	100
B	19	1	19
C	27	2	27
D	25	1	25

Greedy job scheduling algorithm

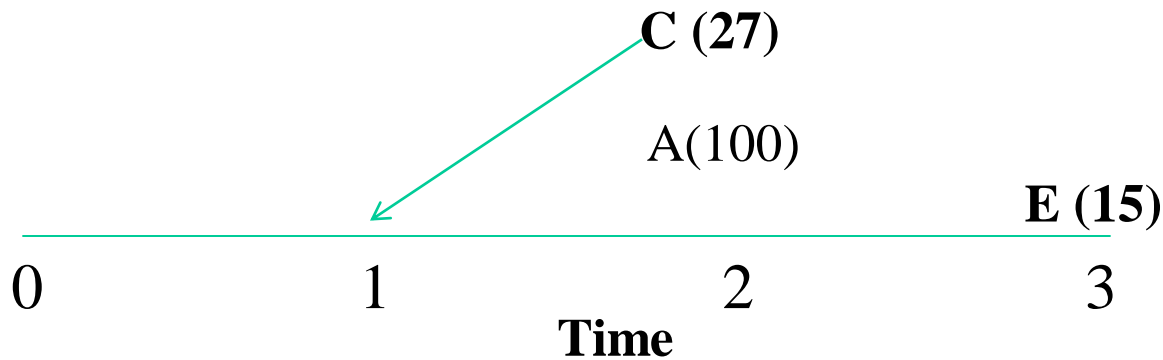
Sort jobs by profit/time ratio (slope or derivative):

– A (deadline 2), C (2), D (1), B (1), E (3)

Place each job at latest time that meets its deadline

Nothing is gained by scheduling it earlier, and scheduling it earlier could prevent another more profitable job from being done

Solution is {C, A, E} with profit of 142



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Job sequencing with deadlines

- Problem: n jobs, $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, each job i has a deadline $d_i \geq 0$ and a profit $p_i \geq 0$. We need one unit of time to process each job and we can do at most one job each time. We can earn the profit p_i if job i is completed by its deadline.

i	1	2	3	4	5
p_i	20	15	10	5	1
d_i	2	2	1	3	3

The optimal solution = $\{1, 2, 4\}$.

The total profit = $20 + 15 + 5 = 40$.

Algorithm:

Step 1: Sort p_i into nonincreasing order. After sorting

$$p_1 \geq p_2 \geq p_3 \geq \dots \geq p_i.$$

Step 2: Add the next job i to the solution set if i can be completed by its deadline. Assign i to time slot $[r-1, r]$, where r is the largest integer such that $1 \leq r \leq d_i$ and $[r-1, r]$ is free.

Step 3: Stop if all jobs are examined. Otherwise, go to step 2.

Time complexity: $O(n^2)$

e.g.

i	p_i	d_i	
1	20	2	assign to [1, 2]
2	15	2	assign to [0, 1]
3	10	1	reject
4	5	3	assign to [2, 3]
5	1	3	reject

solution = {1, 2, 4}

total profit = 20 + 15 + 5 = 40

GREEDY ALGORITHM TO OBTAIN AN OPTIMAL SOLUTION

- Consider the jobs in the non increasing order of profits subject to the constraint that the resulting job sequence J is a feasible solution.
- In the example considered before, the non-increasing profit vector is

$$\begin{array}{cccc} (100 & 27 & 15 & 10) & (2 & 1 & 2 & 1) \\ p_1 & p_4 & p_3 & p_2 & d_1 & d_4 & d_3 & d_2 \end{array}$$

GREEDY ALGORITHM TO OBTAIN AN OPTIMAL SOLUTION (Contd..)

$J = \{ 1 \}$ is a feasible one

$J = \{ 1, 4 \}$ is a feasible one with processing sequence (4,1)

$J = \{ 1, 3, 4 \}$ is not feasible

$J = \{ 1, 2, 4 \}$ is not feasible

$J = \{ 1, 4 \}$ is optimal

GREEDY ALGORITHM FOR JOB SEQUENCING WITH DEADLINE

High level description of job sequencing algorithm

Procedure greedy job (D, J, n)

// J is the set of n jobs to be completed by their deadlines

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{  
J:={ 1 };  
  for i:=2 to n do  
  {  
    if (all jobs in  $J \cup \{i\}$  can be completed by their deadlines)  
    then  $J := \leftarrow J \cup \{i\}$ ;  
  }  
}
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GREEDY ALGORITHM FOR SEQUENCING UNIT TIME JOBS

Greedy algorithm for sequencing unit time jobs with deadlines and profits

Procedure JS(d,j,n)

// $d(i) \geq 1$, $1 \leq i \leq n$ are the deadlines, $n \geq 1$. the jobs are ordered such that

// $p_1 \geq p_2 \geq \dots \geq p_n$. J[i] is the ith job in the optimal solution, $1 \leq i \leq k$.

Also, at termination $d[J[i]] \leq d[J[i+1]]$, $1 \leq i \leq k$

{

d[0]:=J[0]:=0; //initialize and J(0) is a fictitious job with $d(0) = 0$ //

J[1]:=1; //include job 1

K:=1; // job one is inserted into J //

for i :=2 to n do // consider jobs in non increasing order of p_i //

r:=k;

While (($d[J[r]] > d[i]$) and ($d[J[r]] \neq r$)) do r:=r-1;

If (($d[J[r]] \leq d[i]$) and ($d[i] > r$)) then { //insert i into J[]

For q:=k to (r+1) step-1 do j[q+1]:=j[q];

J[r+1]:=i; k:=k+1;

} } return k;

}

Exercise

- Let $n=5$, $(p_1, \dots, p_5) = (20, 15, 10, 5, 1)$ and $(d_1, \dots, d_5) = (2, 2, 1, 3, 3)$. Using the above feasibility rule find optimal solution.
- Find optimal solution $n=7$,
 $(p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_7) = (3, 5, 20, 18, 1, 6, 30)$ and
 $(d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_7) = (1, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1, 2)$