



# Flow Shop Scheduling with Synchronous Material Movement

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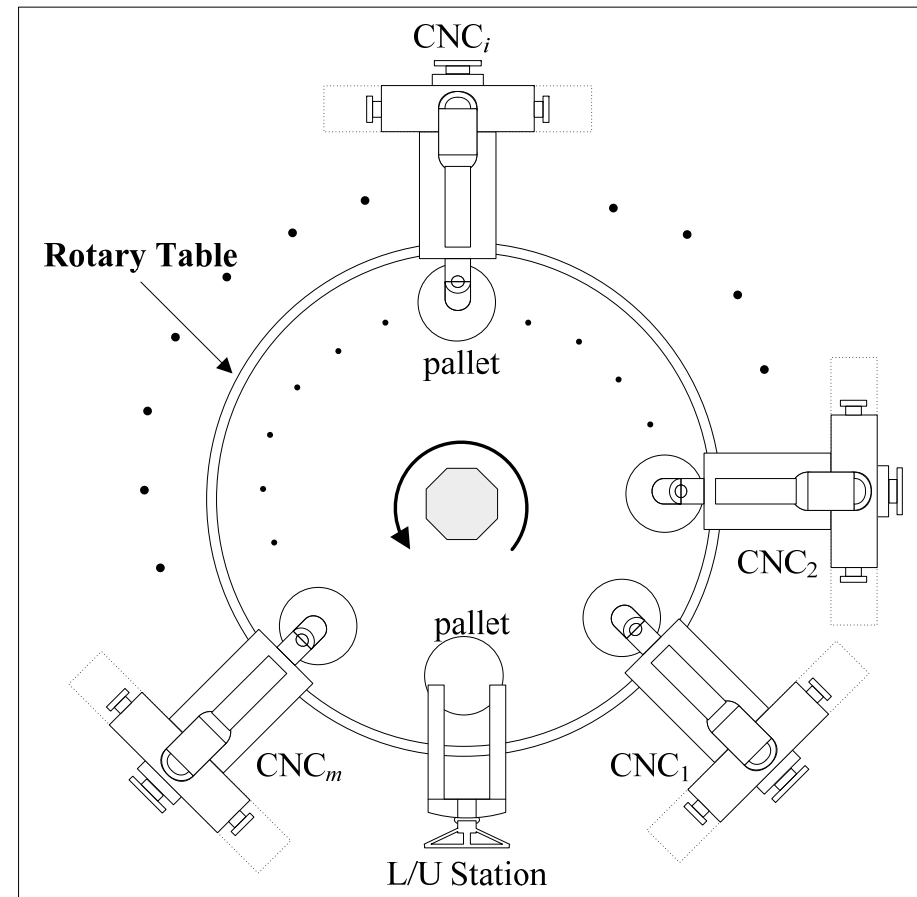


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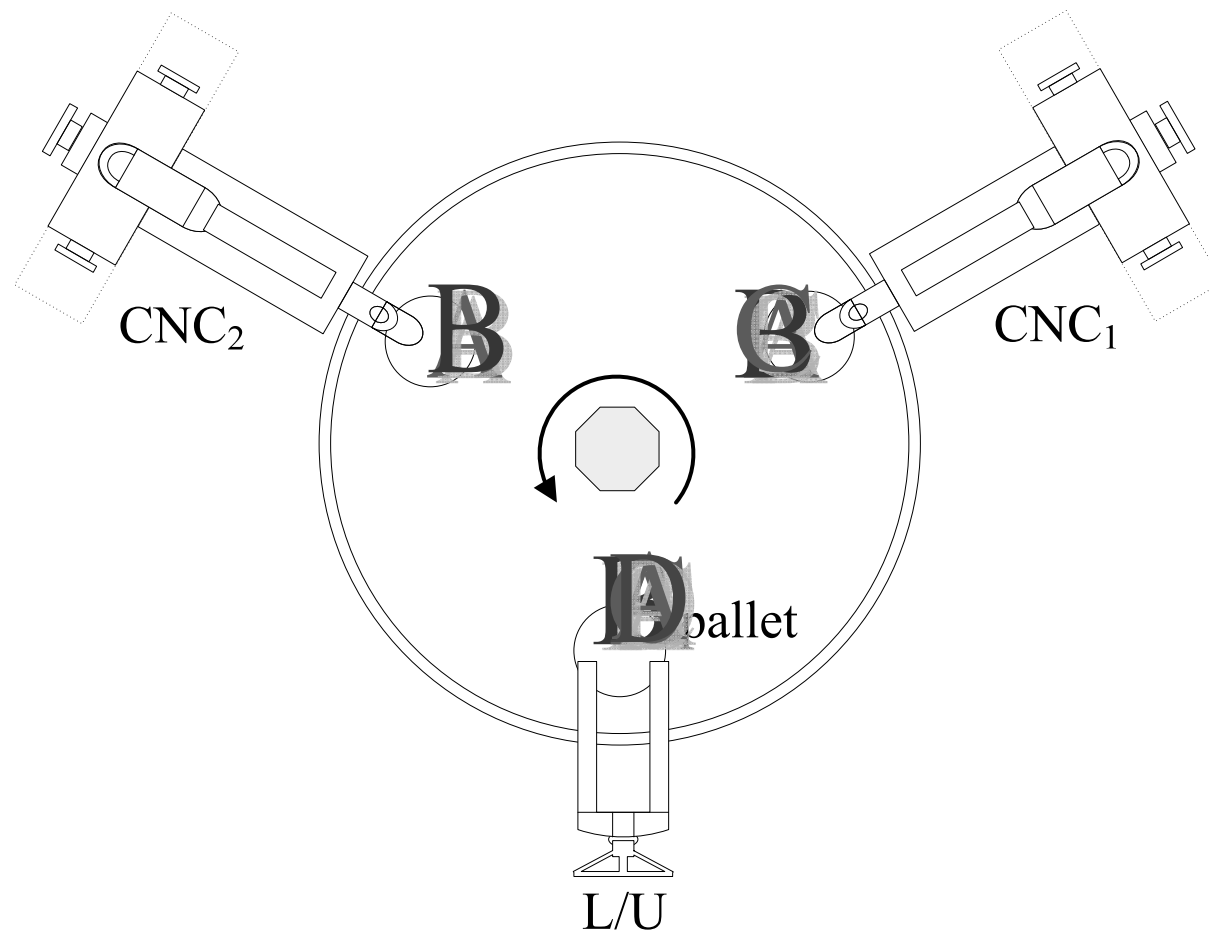
# Synchronous Material Movement

- An automated manufacturing cell which consists of a loading/unloading (L/U) station,  $m$  machines, and a rotary table.
- The L/U station and these machines surround the rotary table.





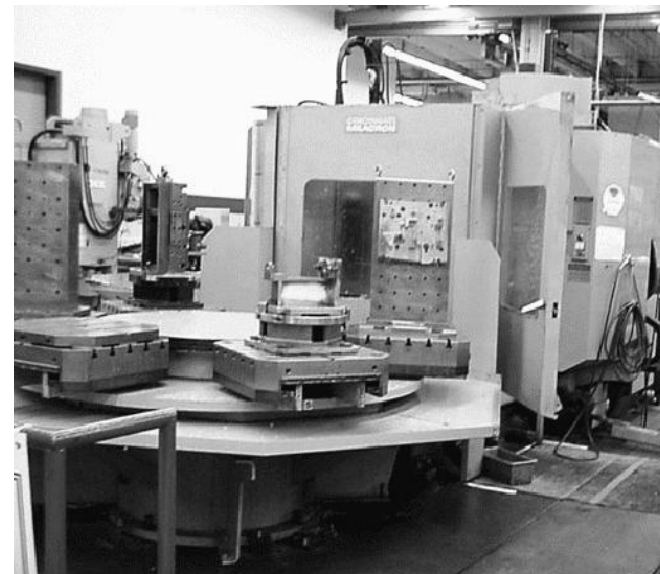
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# Flow Shop Scheduling with Synchronous Material Movement (con't)

- An application to this type of manufacturing cells is called T-line machining center produced by Milacron Cincinnati





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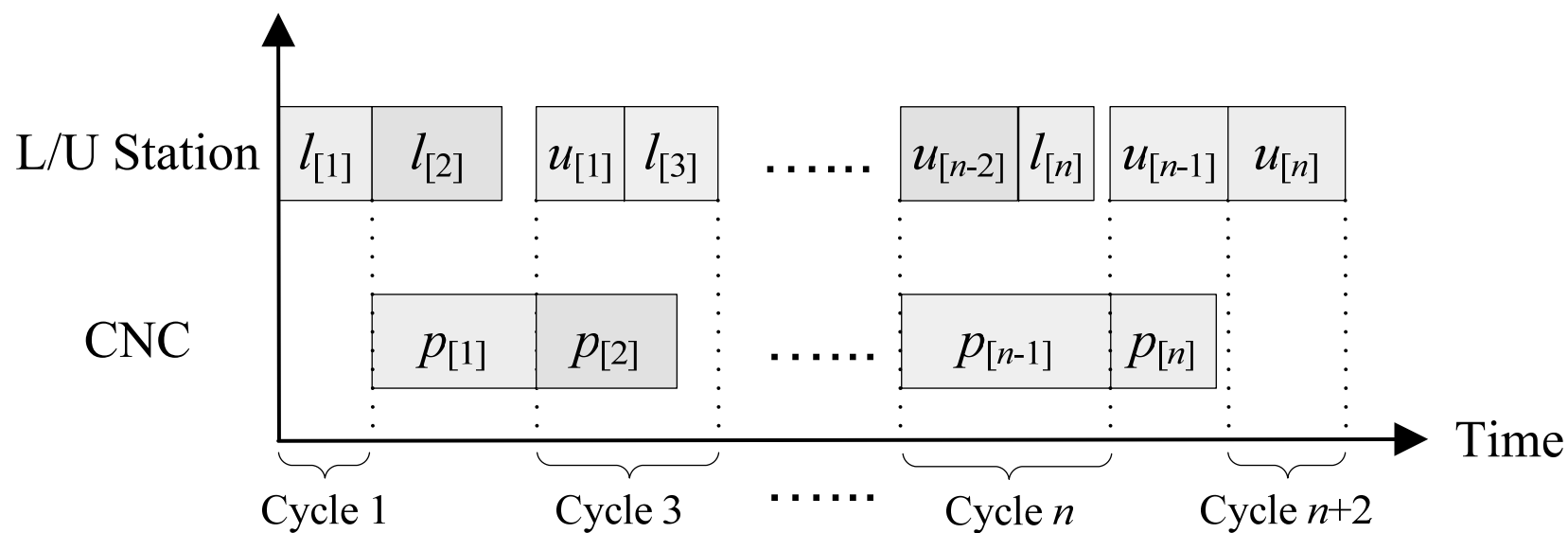


# T-line Machining Center with One Machine

- Problem assumptions:
  - Given  $n$  jobs and all jobs are available at time zero
  - No preemption
  - The machine can only process one job at a time
  - The rotary table with two pallets
  - Loading time, processing time, and unloading time for job  $j$  denoted as  $l_j$ ,  $p_j$  and  $u_j$ , respectively
  - Objective is to minimize the makespan ( $C_{\max}$ )
    - Transportation times are neglected



# Gantt Chart







# Complexity: NP-hard

- The scheduling problem with the makespan objective in a T-line machining center is NP-hard
- Show this problem is equivalent to a problem known as NP-hard
- Numerical matching problem with target sums (NMTS)
  - Strongly NP-Complete (Garey and Johnson 1979)
  - Two sets  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  and  $B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$
  - Target set  $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\}$

Can  $A \cup B$  be partitioned into  $n$  disjoint sets  $D_k$ ,

each containing exactly one element from set  $A$

and one element from set  $B$ , such that,

$$c_k = a_{[k]} + b_{[k]}, \quad a_{[k]}, b_{[k]} \in D_k \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, n?$$



# Decision problem (P)

- Given a number of jobs with loading, processing and unloading times that have to be processed in a one-machine T-line machining center, does there exist a schedule, say  $\sigma$ , with makespan  $Cmax(\sigma)$  which is less than or equal to a given value  $Z$ ?



# Complexity (con't)

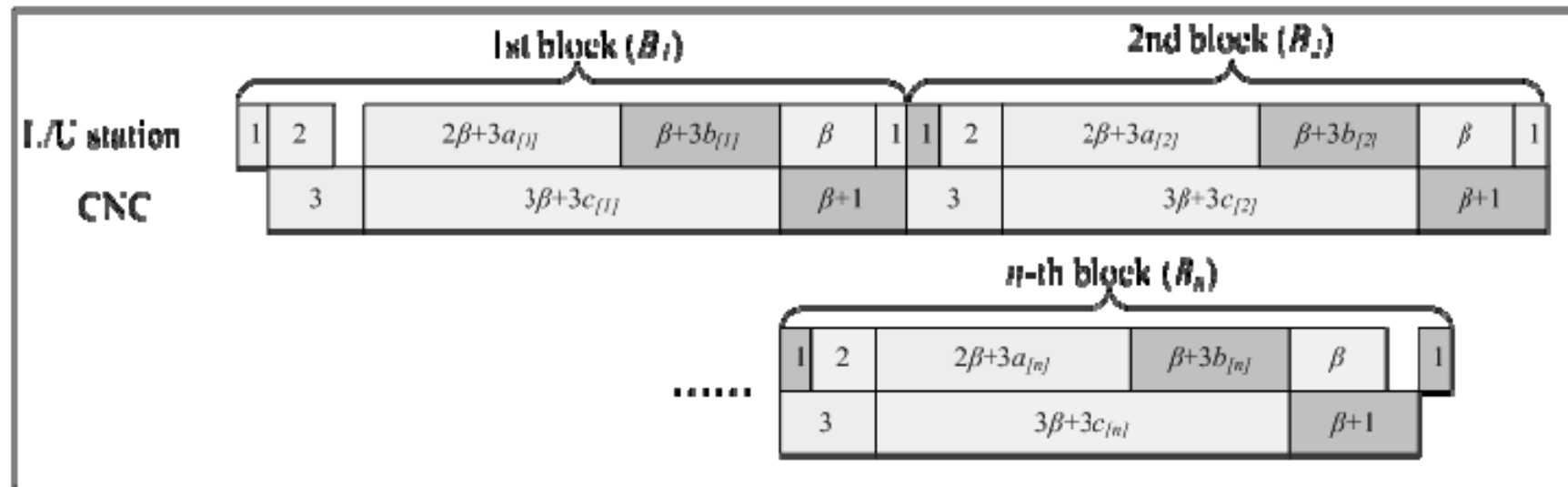
- Given any instance of NMTS, the instance P1 for Problem P can be constructed as follows:
  - Contain three types of jobs
  - Ja-Type:  $l(\text{Ja}_i) = 1, p(\text{Ja}_i) = 3, u(\text{Ja}_i) = 2\beta + 3a_i, 1 \leq i \leq n,$
  - Jb-Type:  $l(\text{Jb}_i) = \beta + 3b_i, p(\text{Jb}_i) = \beta + 1, u(\text{Jb}_i) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq n,$
  - Jc-Type:  $l(\text{Jc}_i) = 2, p(\text{Jc}_i) = 3\beta + 3c_i, u(\text{Jc}_i) = \beta, 1 \leq i \leq n,$
  - Z value:  $Z = 2 + 4n + 4n\beta + 3C_0$   
where  $\beta = 3 \max\{c_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $C_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i$



# Complexity (con't)

## "the If part"

- Assume there exists a solution to NMTS
- A sequence can be formed as follows:



$$C_{\max} = 2 + 3n + 3n\beta + 3 \sum_{i=1}^n c_i + n\beta + n = 2 + 4n + 4n\beta + 3C_0 = Z$$



# Complexity (con't)

## "the Only If part"

- Assume that for instance P1 there exists a sequence, say  $\sigma$ , and its makespan  $\leq Z$ . Then we have to show that there exists a solution to NMTS
- What does sequence  $\sigma$  look like?
- Lemma 1: on the CNC machine, the first and last cycles have one unit of idle time, respectively
- Lemma 2: on the L/U station, the second and second last cycles have one unit of idle time, respectively



# Complexity (con't)

## "the Only If part"

- Lemma 3: Jobs in sequence  $\sigma$  are sequenced in the following form

[Ja, Jc, Jb, Ja, Jc, Jb, ..., Ja, Jc, Jb]

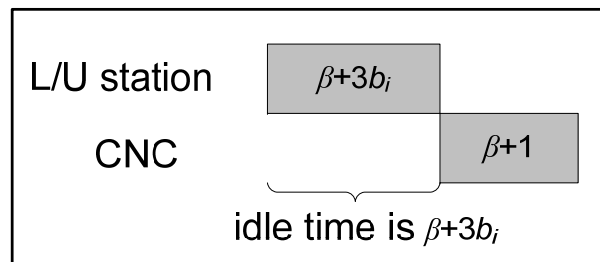
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  - Consider first three jobs
  - If the first job is not Ja-type
  - If the second job is not Jc-type
  - If the third job is not Jb-type



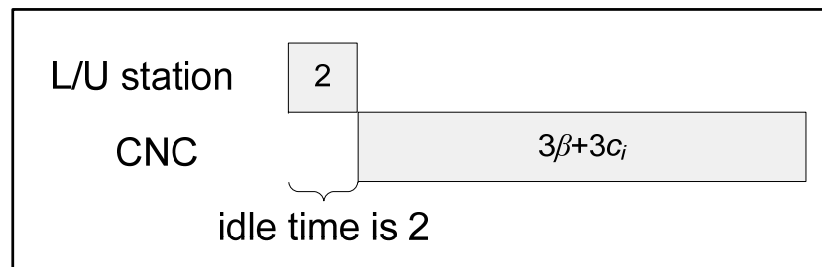
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- If the first job is not Ja-type
  - The first job is Jb-type



- The first job is Jc-type

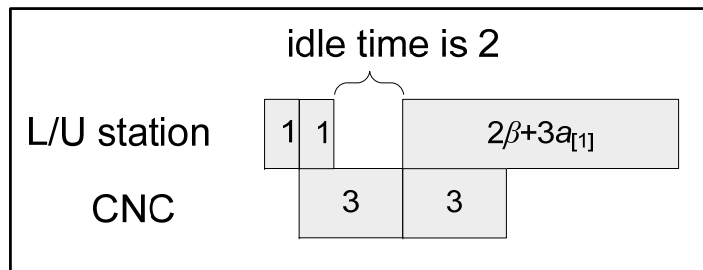




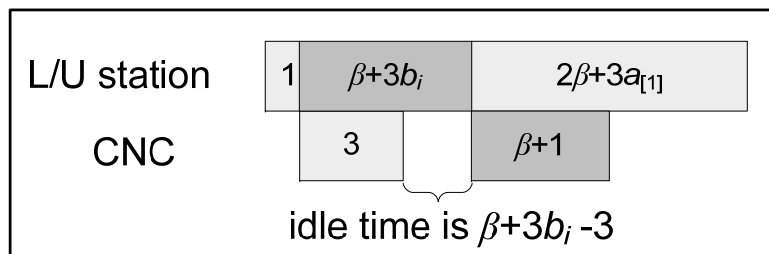
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- If the second job is not Jc-type
  - The second job is Ja-type



- The second job is Jb-type



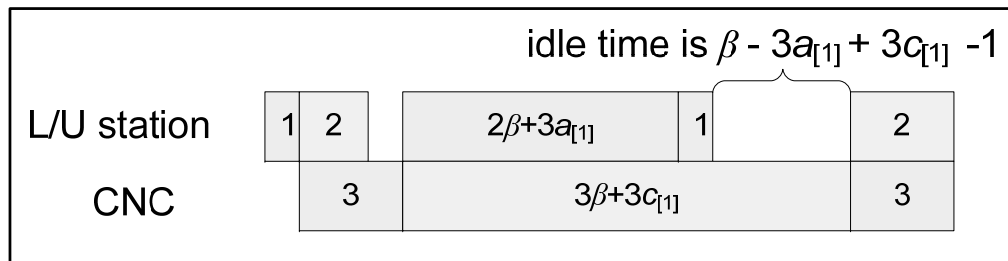




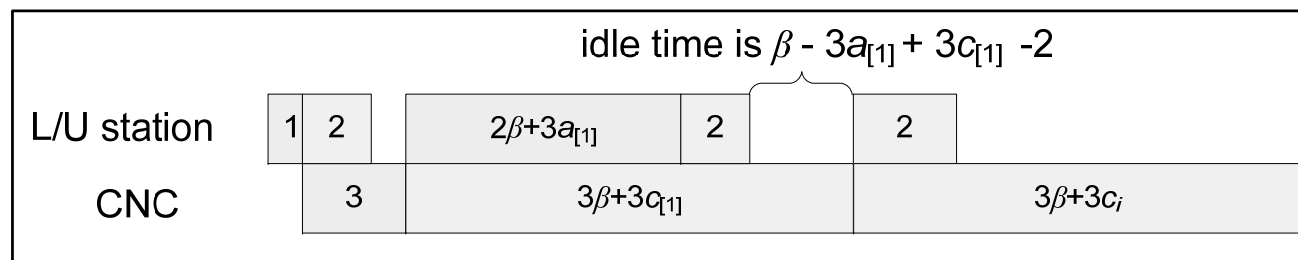
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## "the Only If part"

- If the third job is not Jb-type
  - The third job is Ja-type



- The third job is Jc-type





# Complexity (con't)

## "the Only If part"

- Lemma 4: In sequence  $\sigma$ , every three jobs are grouped as a block, we will have

$$a_{[k]} + b_{[k]} = c_{[k]}, k = 1, \dots, n$$

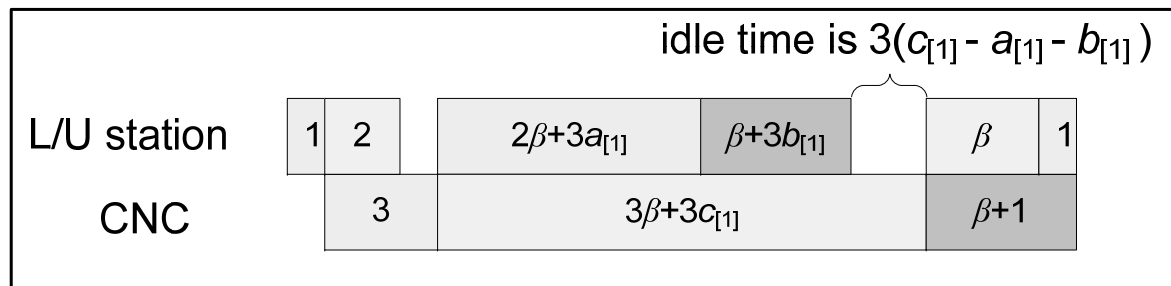
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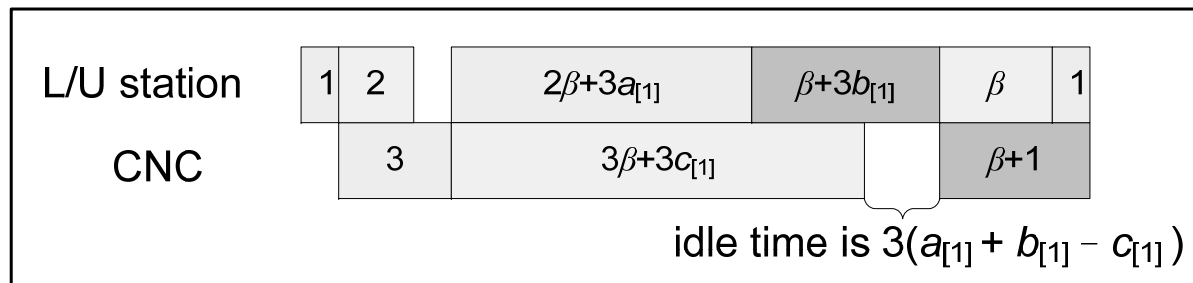
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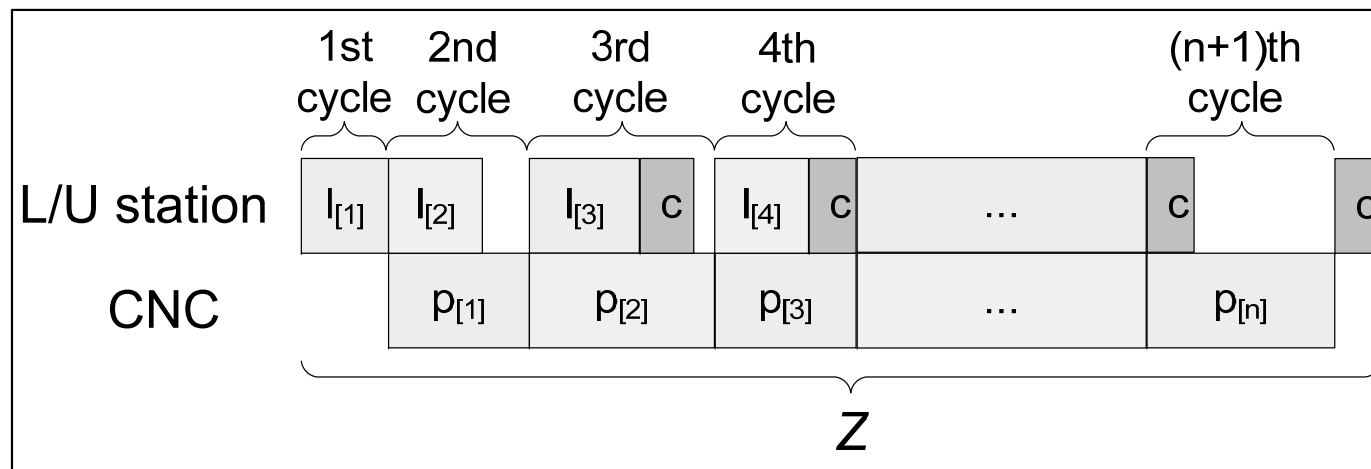
## "the Only If part"

- Through Lemmas 1~4, we show that there exists a solution to NMTS
- Theorem 1: the scheduling problem with the makespan objective in a T-line machining center is NP-hard



# Common Unloading Times

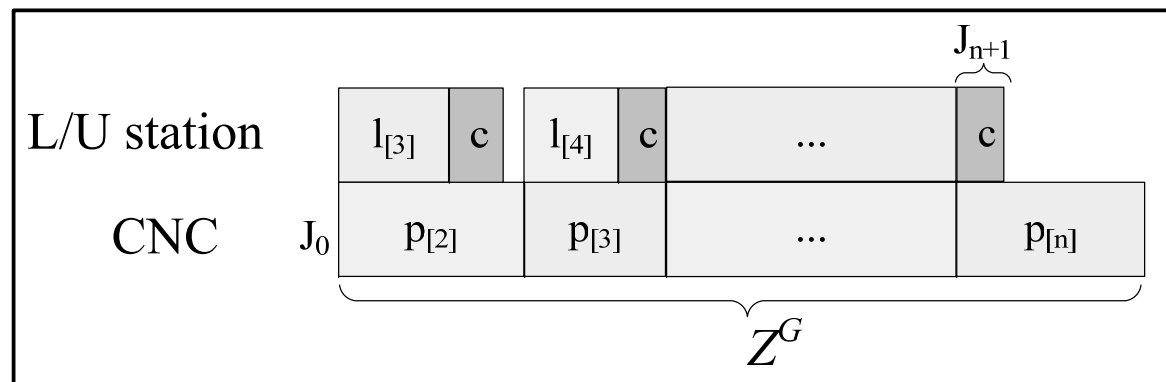
- Assume all unloading times are equal to a constant (denoted as  $c$ )
- Given a sequence, the schedule on machines looks like as follows





# Common Unloading Times (con't)

- Ignore the first two cycles and the last cycle, it will become a two-machine flow shop problem with blocking



- The Gilmore-Gomory (G-G) algorithm (1964) can solve the problem with blocking optimally



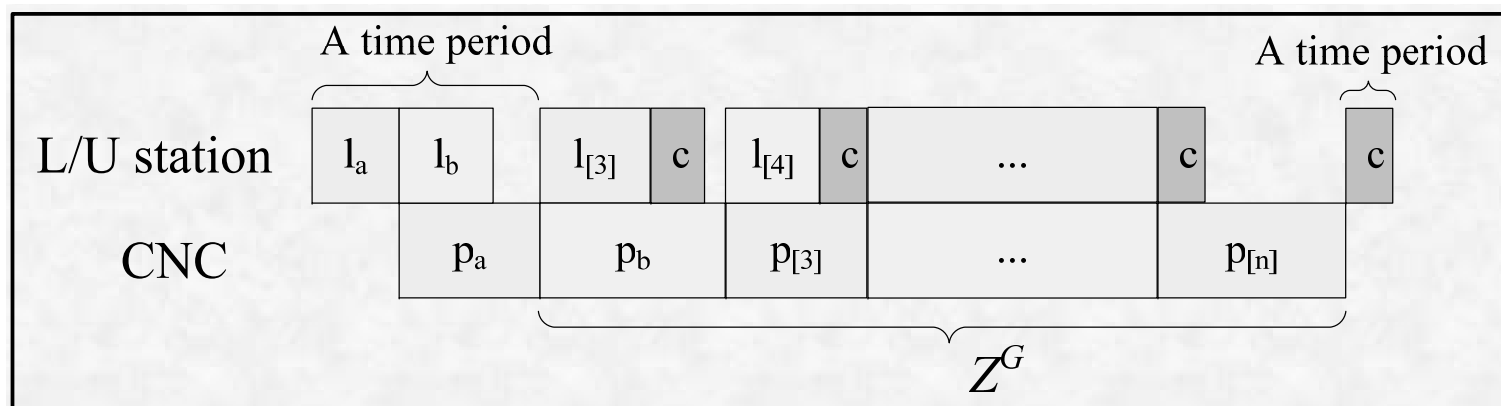
# Common Unloading Times (con't)

- Given the first two jobs, say  $a$  and  $b$ , in an optimal sequence, the rest of job sequence can be generated by the G-G algorithm
- Problem G:
  - Let  $l_j = l_j + c$  ;  $j \neq a$  and  $b$
  - Additional two jobs
    - $J_0$ :  $l_0 = 0$ ,  $p_0 = p_b$
    - $J_{n+1}$ :  $l_{n+1} = c$  and  $p_{n+1} = 0$



# Common Unloading Times (con't)

- Lemma 5:  $J_0$  is sequenced in the first position
- Lemma 6:  $J_{n+1}$  is sequenced in the last position
- The optimal makespan of Problem G is  $Z^G$
- The optimal makespan of the original problem ( $Z$ ) is  $Z^G + l_a + \max(l_b, p_a) + c$







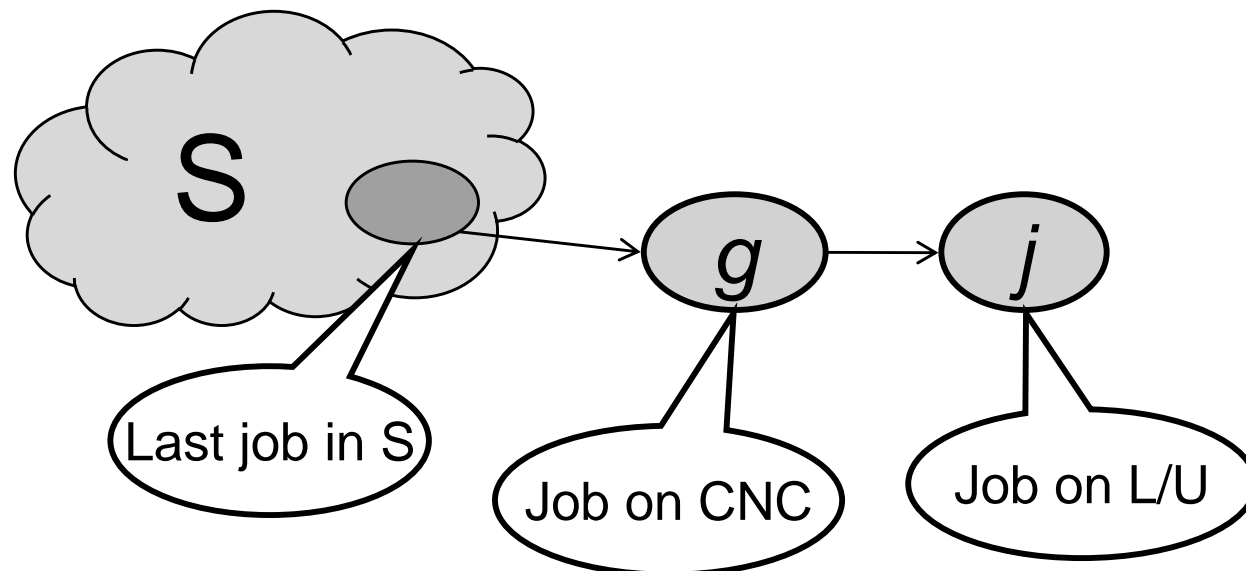
# Common Unloading Times (con't)

- Given any two jobs in the first two positions, apply the G-G algorithm to obtain the minimum makespan corresponding to that pair of jobs
- The one with the smallest makespan among these  $n(n-1)$  pairs of jobs forms an optimal sequence for the original problem
- The complexity of the G-G algorithm is  $O(n \log n)$
- The complexity of the proposed algorithm is  $O(n^3 \log n)$



# DP Algorithm (One)

Optimal value function (OVF):  $f_i(S, g, j) =$  minimum completion time for processing job  $g$  on CNC, unloading the last job in  $S$  and loading job  $j$  at the L/U station, given that the  $i$  jobs in  $S$  have already been completed. (4.4)





# DP Algorithm (One) (con't)

Recurrence relation (RR):

$$f_i(S, g, j) = \min_{k \in S} \{f_{i-1}(S \setminus \{k\}, k, g) + \max\{p_g, u_k + l_j\}\}; \quad i = 1, \dots, n-2 \quad ; \quad \{g, j\} \subseteq N \quad ;$$

$$S \subseteq N \setminus \{g, j\}, \quad |S| = i. \quad (4.6)$$

$$\text{Boundary condition (BC): } f_0(\emptyset, g, j) = l_g + \max\{p_g, l_j\}; \quad \{g, j\} \subseteq N. \quad (4.7)$$

Answer (ANS):

$$\min_{g \subseteq N} \{f_{n-1}(S, g, \emptyset)\} \quad (4.8)$$

$$\text{where } f_{n-1}(S, g, \emptyset) = \min_{k \in S} \{f_{n-2}(S \setminus \{k\}, k, g) + \max\{p_g, u_k\}\} + u_g \quad ; \quad g \subseteq N \quad ; \quad S = N \setminus \{g\} \quad ,$$

$$|S| = n-1. \quad (4.9)$$



# DP Algorithm (One) – Computational Analysis

Stage		Number of combinations	Addition	Comparison
Boundary condition ( $i = 0$ )		$n(n-1)$	1	1
Recurrence relation ( $1 \leq i \leq n-2$ )		$n(n-1)C_i^{n-2}$	$2i$	$i + (i-1)$
Answer	$f_{n-1} (i = n-1)$	$n$	$n$	$n-1 + n-2$
	Minimum makespan	1	0	$n-1$

Number of additions:

$$\approx n(n-1)(n-2)2^{n-2}$$

Number of comparisons:

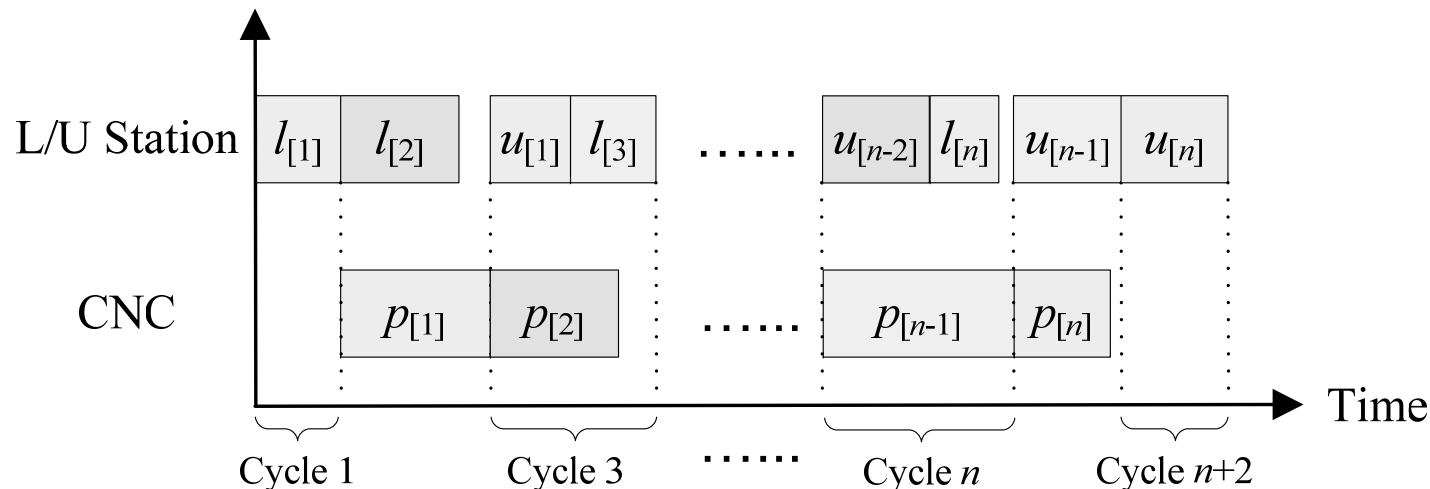
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$$O(n^3 2^{n-2})$$



# Lower Bound (One)

- Lemma 7: a lower bound  $\min_{i=1,\dots,n} l_i + \sum_{j=1}^n p_j + \min_{i=1,\dots,n} u_i$
- Lemma 8: a lower bound  $\sum_{j=1}^n (l_j + u_j)$



- Theorem 2:  $\max\left\{\min_{i=1,\dots,n} l_i + \sum_{j=1}^n p_j + \min_{i=1,\dots,n} u_i, \sum_{j=1}^n (l_j + u_j)\right\}$  is a lower bound



# Two-phase Heuristic Algorithm

- Constructive phase:
  - Form a solution in a recursive manner by trying to insert one or more unscheduled job into one or more positions of a partial schedule until all jobs are sequenced
  - Two constructive heuristics are proposed:
    - Constructive Algorithm Selection (CAS)
    - Constructive Algorithm Insertion (CAI)
  
- Improvement phase:
  - Improve the quality of the solution iteratively from an initial sequence
  - Modified neighborhood search algorithm



# Constructive Algorithm: CAS Heuristic

- Select the summation of a job's loading time and a job's unloading time closest to a given processing time
- An example:

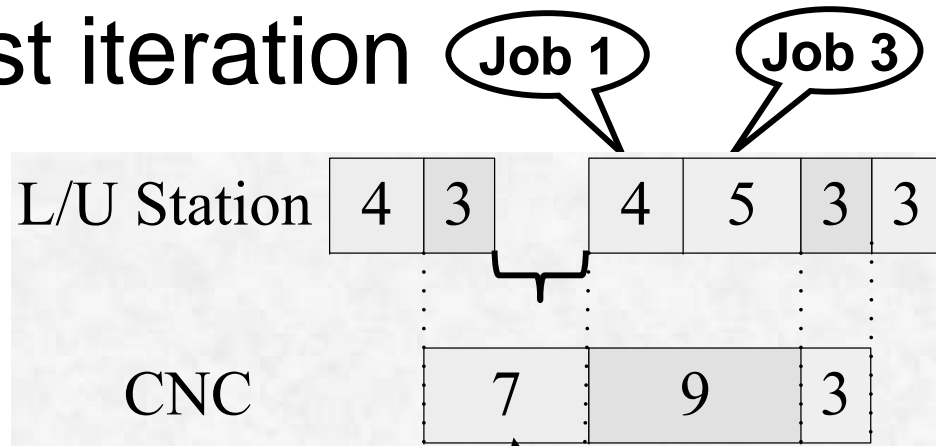
Job	$l_j$	$p_j$	$u_j$
1	4	7	4
2	3	9	3
3	5	3	3
4	2	5	1
5	2	7	5



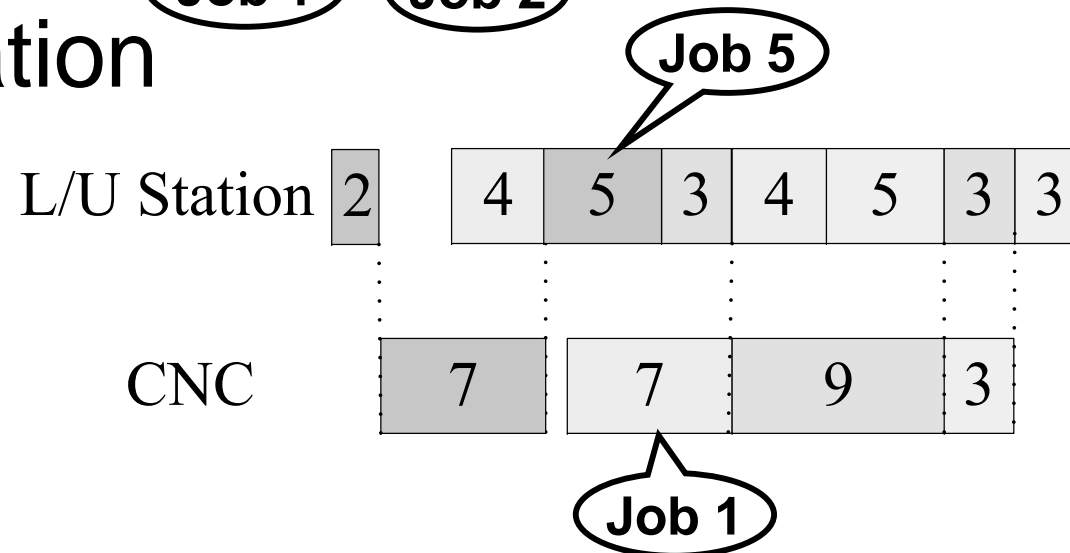


# Constructive Algorithm: CAS Heuristic (con't)

## ■ 1st iteration



## ■ 2nd iteration







# Constructive Algorithm: CAI Heuristic

- Each job has two weights associated with its loading and unloading times
- A larger loading time has a larger weight. The same rule applies to unloading times
- A job with larger sum of these two weights is selected first and it will be inserted in every position of the current sequence
- The selected job is sequenced in the position which yields a minimum makespan



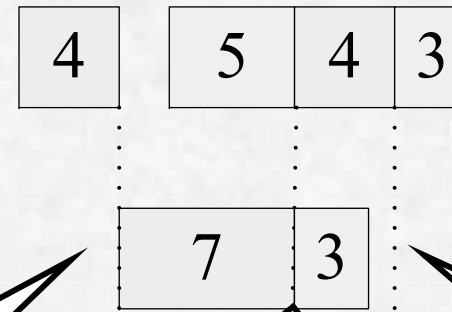
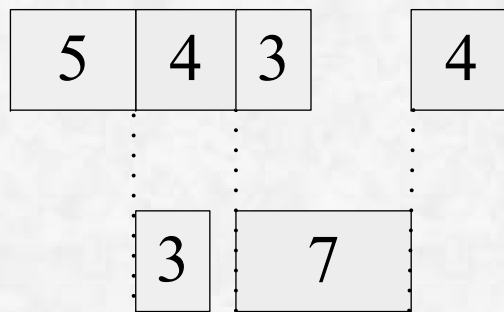
# Constructive Algorithm: CAI Heuristic (con't)

- An example:

Job	$l_j$	$w_{lj}$	$p_j$	$u_j$	$w_{uj}$	$w_{lj} + w_{uj}$
1	4	4	7	4	4	8
2	3	3	9	3	2	5
3	5	5	3	3	2	7
4	2	1	5	1	1	2
5	2	1	7	5	5	6

Position 1, MS=20

Position 2, MS=18



Position 1

Position 2

Position 3



# Improvement Phase

- Neighborhood search
  - Given an initial solution, generate a set of solutions based on the initial solution
  - Adjacent pairwise interchange
    - $n-1$  neighborhood solutions
  - Pairwise interchange
    - $n(n-1)/2$  neighborhood solutions
  - The neighbor with the best value is selected as the initial solution for next iteration
  - The search algorithm terminates when no better neighbors can be found



# Modified Neighborhood Search Algorithm

## ■ Random selection

- If no better neighbors can be found, randomly select a neighbor whose makespan is equal to the current best makespan as the initial solution
- The search algorithm terminates when the number of random selections performed is greater than a threshold

## ■ Pairwise interchange



# Computational Analysis

- Two two-phase heuristic algorithms
  - CAS\_M
  - CAI\_M
- Problem sizes: small, medium, large
- Three settings on operations times
  - $E(p) = E(l) + E(u)$  (E: expected value)
  - $E(p) > E(l) + E(u)$
  - $E(p) < E(l) + E(u)$



# Testing Plan

- Nine cases and ten runs for each case

	Small size	Medium size	Large size
Number of jobs ( $n$ )	10	19	40
Scenario I (7, 11, 3)	$(l_j, p_j, u_j) = (U(1,7), U(1, 11), U(1, 3))$		
Scenario II (7, 15, 3)	$(l_j, p_j, u_j) = (U(1,7), U(1, 15), U(1, 3))$		
Scenario III (10, 11, 4)	$(l_j, p_j, u_j) = (U(1,10), U(1, 11), U(1, 4))$		

\*U denotes the uniform distribution and all operation times are integer.



# Computational Results

Scenario	$n$	DP		CAS M			CAI M			LB
		Optimum	Time	S1	S2	Time	S1	S2	Time	
I (7, 11, 3)	10	68.9	0.06	74.4	69.3	0.08	71.1	69.5	0.08	68.2
	19	121.8	344.8	136.0	122.6	0.26	126.0	123.1	0.29	119.6
	40	—	—	280.7	253.2	0.92	261.3	252.7	1.12	247.1
II (7, 15, 3)	10	82.2	0.06	86.8	82.4	0.08	83.4	82.6	0.08	80.7
	19	163.1	356.1	171.4	163.2	0.26	165.5	163.4	0.25	160.3
	40	—	—	333.1	314.7	1.03	321.7	314.8	1.02	310.4
III (10, 11, 4)	10	80.2	0.07	85.2	80.9	0.09	81.8	80.9	0.08	79.5
	19	155.2	354.4	162.0	155.6	0.27	157.6	155.8	0.26	155.2
	40	—	—	335.9	323.0	0.86	323.2	323.0	0.83	322.1

(S1: the constructive stage; S2: the improvement stage)



# Computational Results (con't)

## ■ Relative error (RE)

Scenario	$n$	RE from optimum (%)				RE from LB (%)			
		CAS M		CAI M		CAS M		CAI M	
		SI	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2	S1	S2
I (7, 11, 3)	10	8.12	0.64	3.30	0.97	9.27	1.72	4.41	2.05
	19	11.73	0.66	3.51	1.09	13.89	2.56	5.48	3.00
	40	—	—	—	—	13.82	2.50	5.80	2.29
II (7, 15, 3)	10	5.73	0.25	1.49	0.48	7.75	2.17	3.44	2.41
	19	5.37	0.09	1.65	0.24	7.63	2.20	3.83	2.37
	40	—	—	—	—	7.45	1.43	3.71	1.46
III (10, 11, 4)	10	6.17	0.93	2.07	0.89	7.19	1.91	3.09	1.86
	19	4.51	0.28	1.62	0.41	4.51	0.28	1.62	0.41
	40	—	—	—	—	4.29	0.29	0.36	0.29





# Computational Results (con't)

- Both algorithms (CAS\_M, CAI\_M) can obtain a solution in one second
- The quality of solutions obtained by CAS\_M and CAI\_M are similar
- Scenario I, on average, the solution from the optimum is 1.1% and from the lower bound is 3%
- CAI outperforms CAS

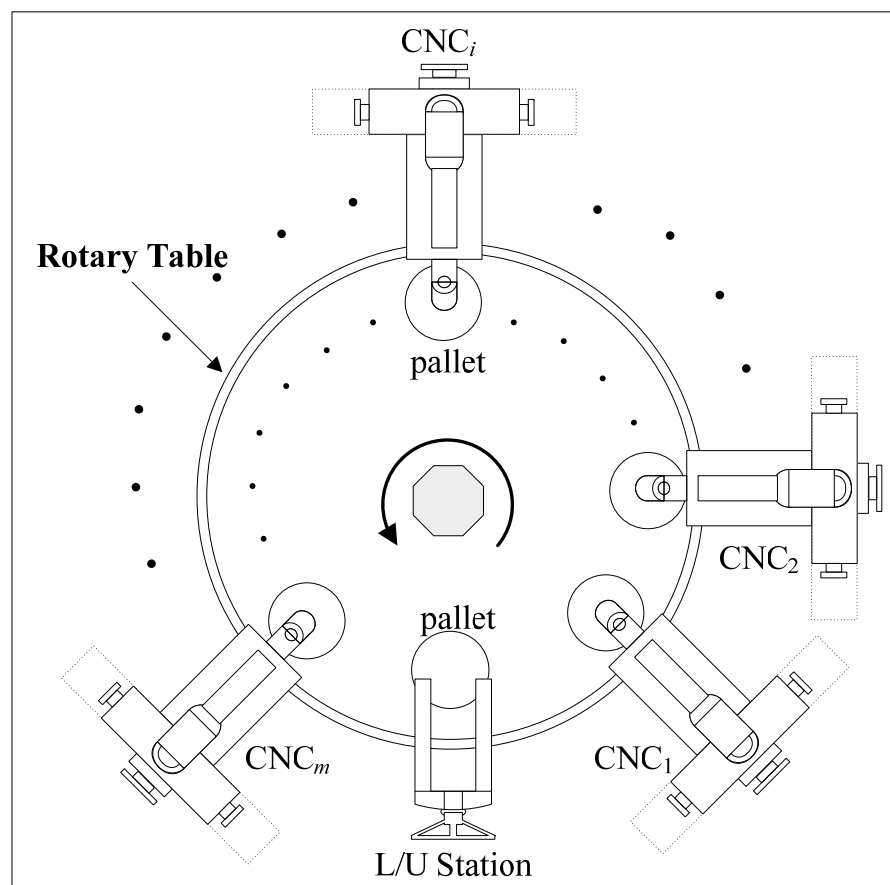


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# T-line Machining Center with $m$ Machines

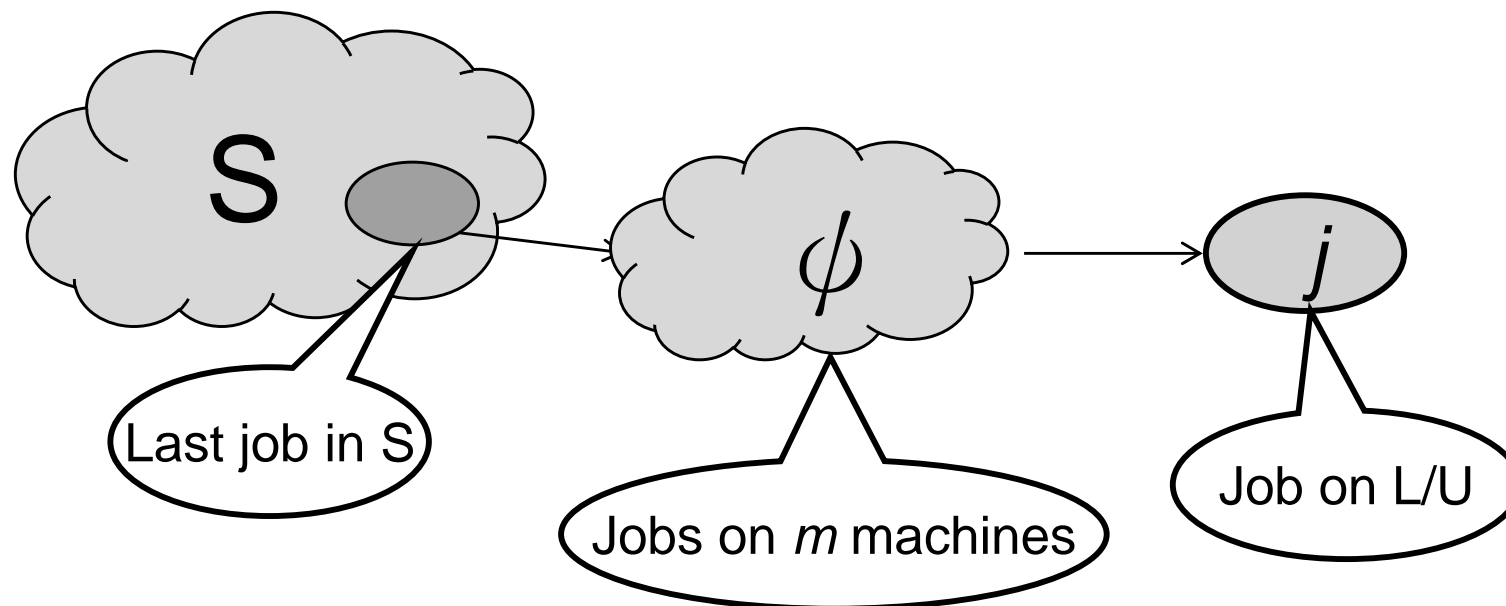
- The rotary table with  $m+1$  pallets





# DP Algorithm ( $m$ )

Optimal value function (OVF):  $f_i(S, \Psi, j) =$  minimum completion time for processing jobs in  $\Psi$  on machines, unloading the last job in  $S$  and loading job  $j$  at the L/U station, given that the  $i$  jobs in  $S$  have already been completed. (5.10)





# DP Algorithm ( $m$ ) (con't)

Recurrence relation (RR):

$$f_i(S, \Psi, j) = \min_{k \in S} \{f_{i-1}(S \setminus \{k\}, \{k\} \cup \Psi \setminus \Psi_{(m)}, \Psi_{(m)}) + \max\{p_{\Psi_{(m)}1}, p_{\Psi_{(m-1)}2}, \dots, p_{\Psi_{(1)}m}, u_k + l_j\}\};$$

$$i = 1, \dots, n - m - 1; \{\Psi, j\} \subseteq N; S \subseteq N \setminus \{\Psi, j\}, |S| = i. \quad (5.12)$$

Boundary condition (BC):

$$f_0(\emptyset, \Psi, j) = \sum_{i=1}^m \max\{p_{\Psi_{(i-1)}1}, p_{\Psi_{(i-2)}2}, \dots, p_{\Psi_{(i-m)}m}, l_{\Psi_{(i)}}\} \\ + \max\{p_{\Psi_{(m)}1}, p_{\Psi_{(m-1)}2}, \dots, p_{\Psi_{(1)}m}, l_j\}; \{\Psi, j\} \subseteq N. \quad (5.13)$$



# DP Algorithm ( $m$ ) (con't)

$$\text{Answer (ANS): } \min_{\Psi \subseteq N} \{f_{n-m}(S, \Psi, \emptyset)\} \quad (5.14)$$

$$\text{where } f_{n-m}(S, \Psi, \emptyset) = \min_{k \in S} \{f_{n-m-1}(S \setminus \{k\}, \{k\} \cup \Psi \setminus \Psi_{(m)}, \Psi_{(m)}) + \max\{p_{\Psi_{(m)}1}, \dots, p_{\Psi_{(1)}m}, u_k\}\}$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^m \max\{p_{\Psi_{(i+m)}1}, p_{\Psi_{(i+m-1)}2}, \dots, p_{\Psi_{(i+1)}m}, u_{\Psi_{(i)}}\}; \Psi \subseteq N; S = N \setminus \Psi, |S| = n - m. \quad (5.15)$$



# DP Algorithm ( $m$ ) – Computational Analysis

Stage		Number of combinations	Addition	Comparison
BC ( $i = 0$ )		$(m+1)!C_{m+1}^n$	$m$	$m(m+1)/2$
RR ( $1 \leq i \leq n-m-1$ )		$(m+1)!C_{m+1}^n C_i^{n-(m+1)}$	$2i$	$m \times i + (i-1)$
ANS	$f_{n-m}(i = n-m)$	$m!C_m^n$	$n$	$m(n-m) + (n-m-1) + m(m-1)/2$
	Min makespan	1	0	$m!C_m^n - 1$

Number of additions:

$$\approx \frac{n!}{(n-m-2)!} 2^{n-m-1}$$

Number of comparisons:

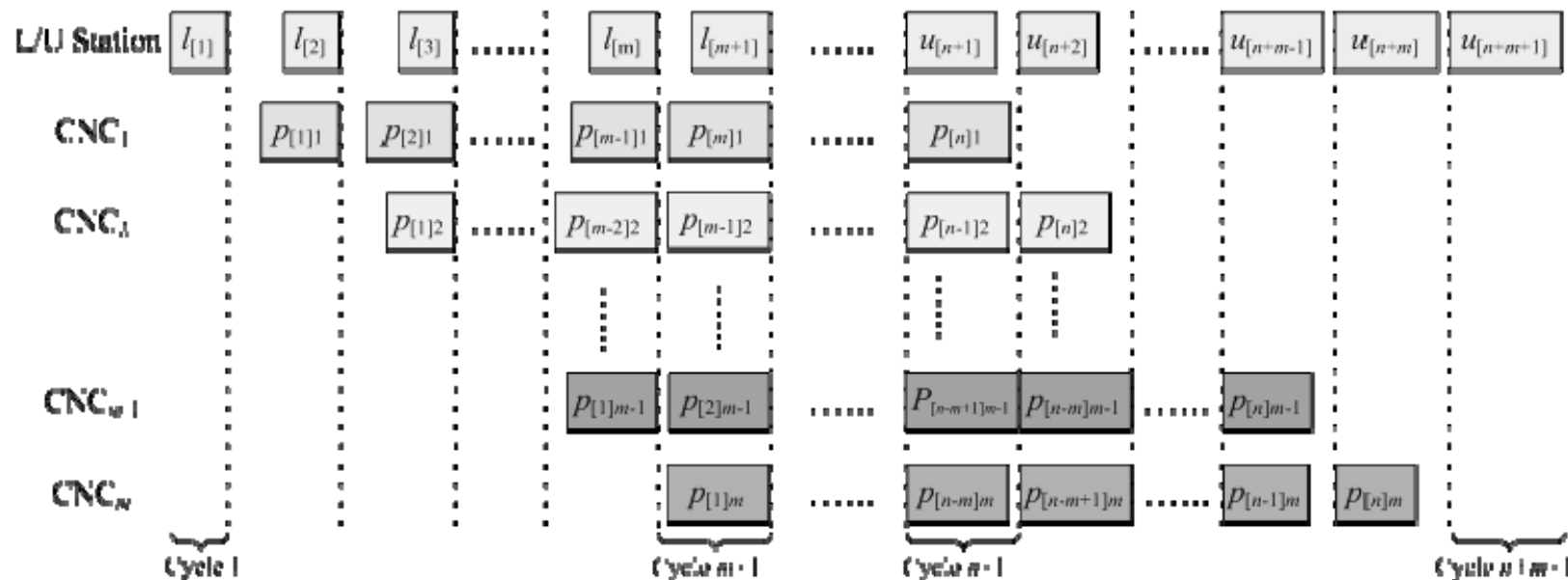
$$\approx \frac{n!(m+1)}{(n-m-2)!} 2^{n-m-2}$$

$$O\left(\frac{n!m}{(n-m-2)!} 2^{n-m-2}\right)$$



# Lower Bound ( $m$ )

- Consider a relaxed problem
  - Neglecting loading and unloading times
  - Relax the job order processed by machines
  - Denote the optimal makespan of the relaxed problem as  $LB_R$







# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

## Algorithm for $LB_R$

- Sort processing times in descending order

Job	$p_{j1}$	$p_{j2}$	$p_{j3}$	$p_{j4}$
1	5	2	6	3
2	11	8	7	15
3	9	15	6	11
4	7	4	13	2
5	4	13	1	11
6	8	14	9	10
7	11	8	8	7
8	14	15	8	1

Largest processing times

Set	$p_{j1}$	$p_{j2}$	$p_{j3}$	$p_{j4}$
$R_1$	14	15	13	15
$R_2$	11	15	9	11
$R_3$	11	14	8	11
$R_4$	9	13	8	10
$R_5$	8	8	7	7
$R_6$	7	8	6	3
$R_7$	5	4	6	2
$R_8$	4	2	1	1

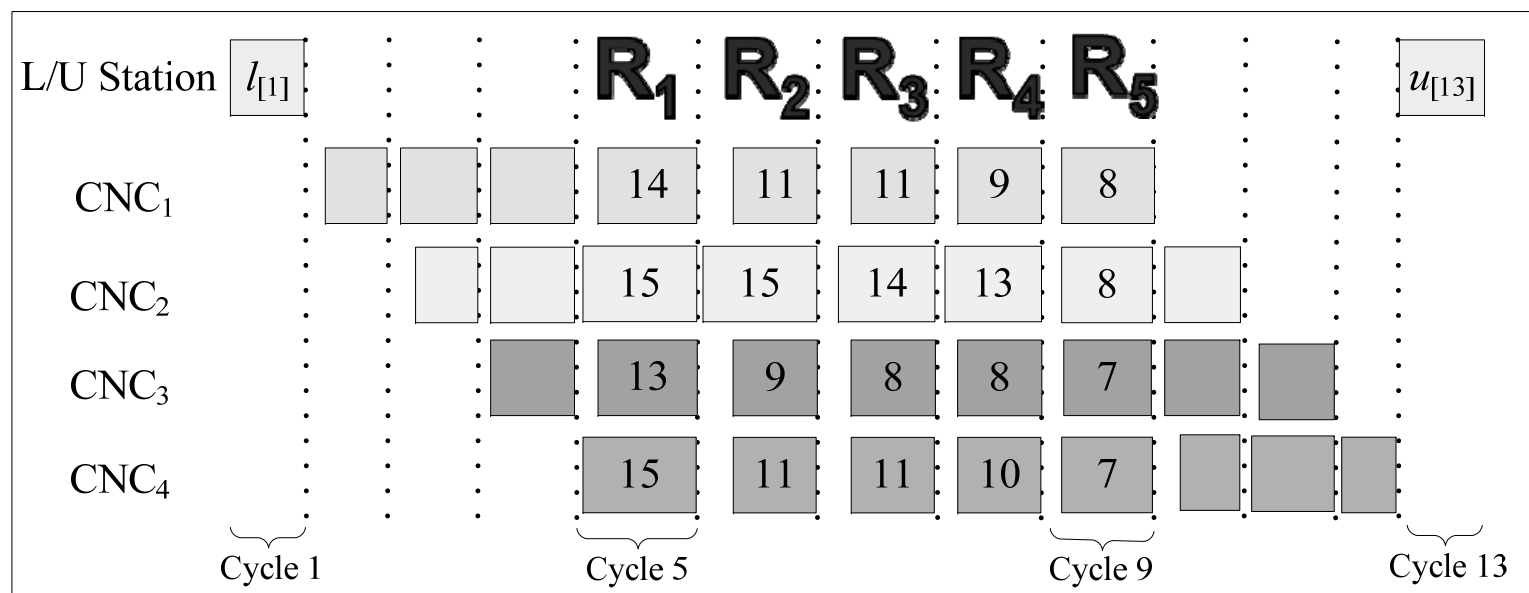
Smallest processing times



# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

## Algorithm for $LB_R$

- Place the largest processing time on each machine to cycle 5, the second largest to cycle 6, and so on

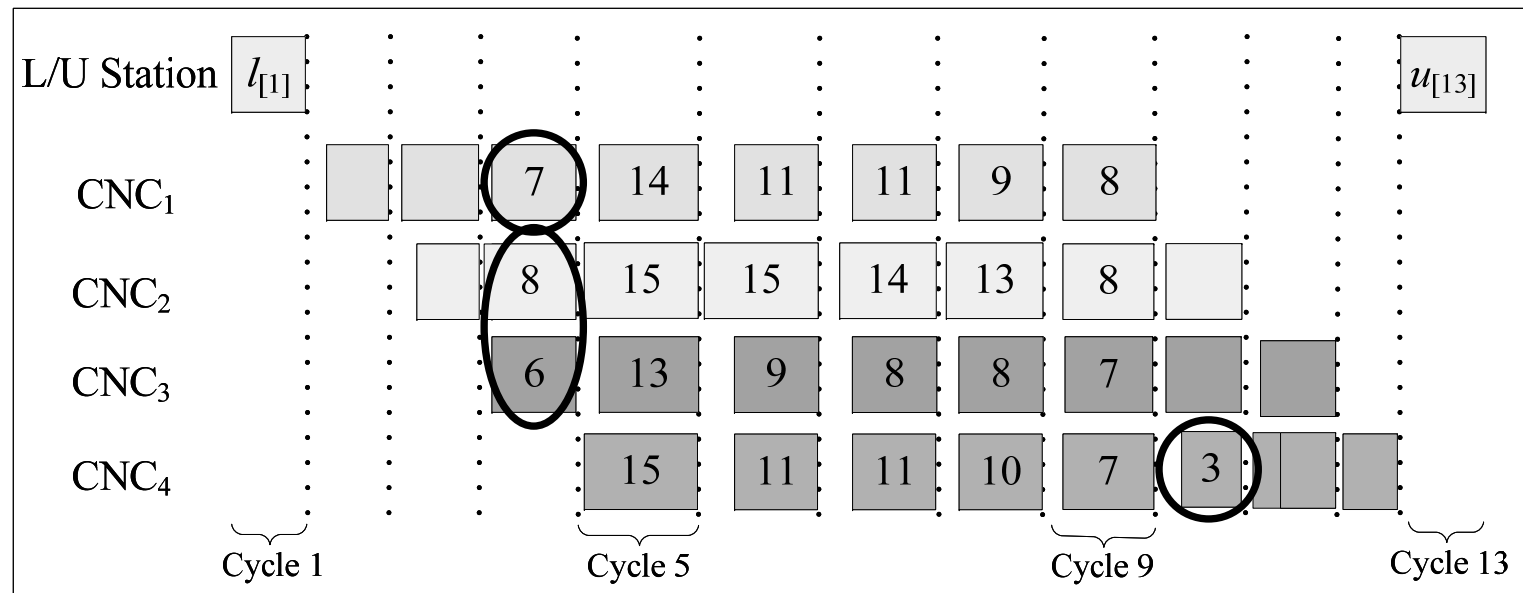




# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

## Algorithm for $LB_R$

- Assign the processing time on machine 1 in  $R_6$  to cycle 4
- Assign the processing time on machine 4 in  $R_6$  to cycle 10

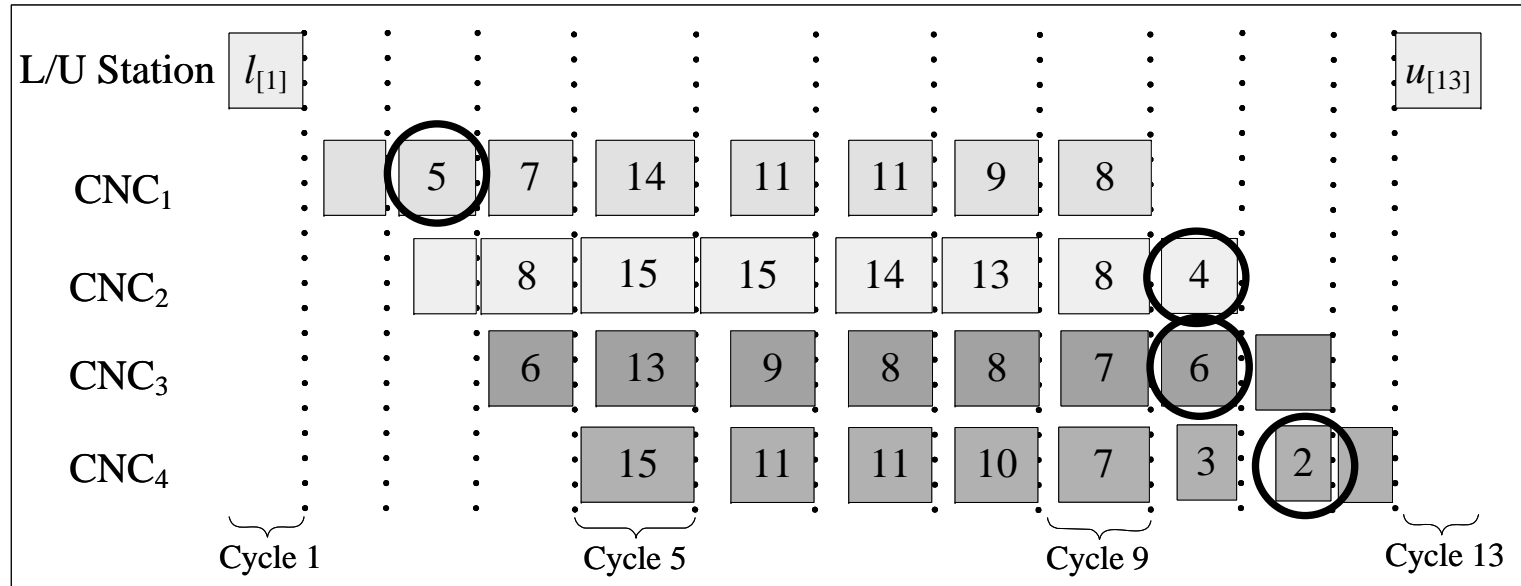




# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

## Algorithm for $LB_R$

- Assign the processing time on machine 1 in  $R_7$  to cycle 3
- Assign the processing times on machines 3 and 4 in  $R_7$  to cycles 10 and 11, respectively

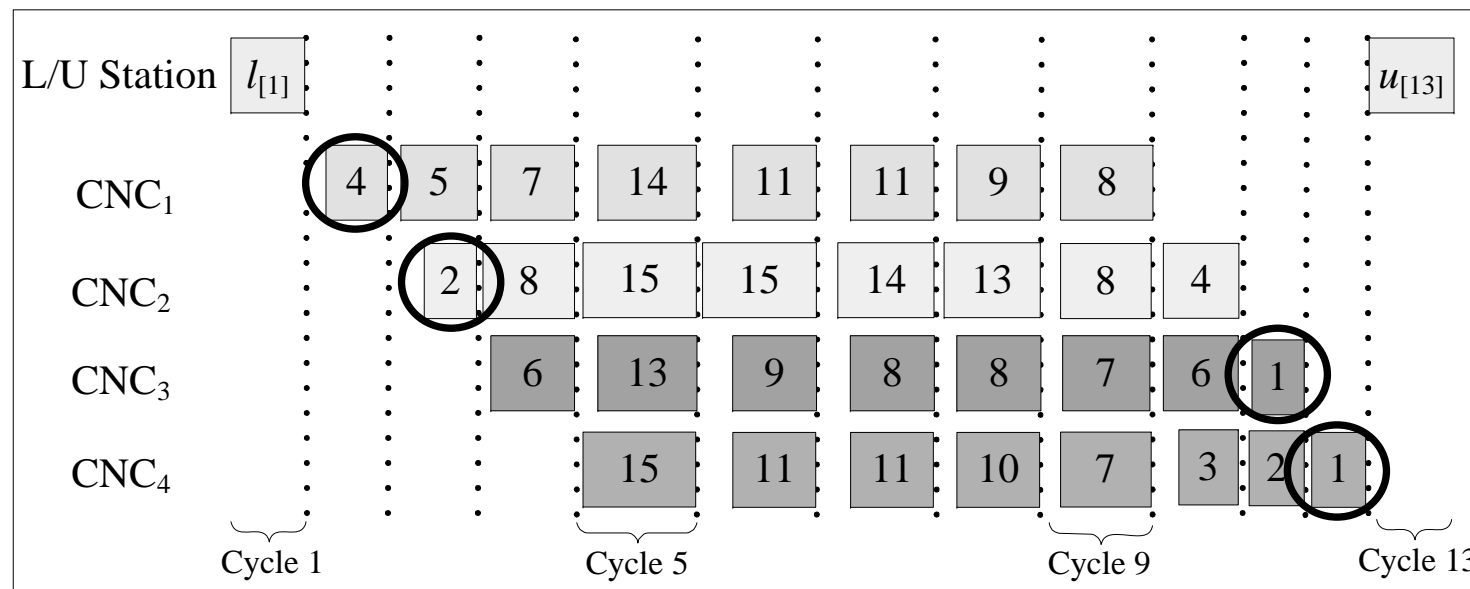




# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

## Algorithm for $LB_R$

- Assign the processing times in  $R_8$  to each available cycle and the makespan is 91





# Lower Bound ( $m$ ) (con't)

- Lemma 9:  $LB_R$  is the optimal makespan for the relaxed problem
- Ideas of the proof: interchange any two processing times on a machine will not reduce  $LB_R$
- **Theorem 3**:  $\max\left\{\sum_{j=1}^n (l_j + u_j), \min_{i=1,\dots,n} l_i + LB_R + \min_{i=1,\dots,n} u_i\right\}$  is a lower bound



# Agenda

- Introduction
- T-line machining center with one machine
  - Complexity
  - Common unloading times
  - Dynamic programming algorithm
  - Lower bound
  - Heuristic algorithms and computational results
- T-line machining center with  $m$  machines
  - Dynamic programming algorithm
  - Lower bound
- **Conclusions and future research**



# Conclusions

- Synchronous transportation times:
  - The problem has been showed to be NP-hard
  - A DP algorithm has been proposed for a general case with  $m$  machines
  - Two-phase heuristic algorithms have been developed to obtain near optimal solutions in a very short time for the problems with one machine
  - Lower bounds are derived for the cases with one and  $m$  machines
  - An algorithm integrated the G-G algorithm has been provided to solve the one-machine problem with a common loading or unloading time





# Future Research

- Metaheuristics
- Common processing times for the one-machine case
- For two-machine case
  - Unloading times are zero
  - Processing times on one machine dominate those on another machine
- Different objectives



**Thank you.  
Questions?**



# Lemma 1

The total processing time on the CNC machine is  $Z - 2$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n (p(Ja_i) + p(Jb_i) + p(Jc_i)) &= 3n + n(\beta + 1) + \sum_{i=1}^n (3\beta + 3c_i) \\ &= 4n + 4n\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n 3c_i = 4n + 4n\beta + 3C_0 = Z - 2\end{aligned}$$

Since the smallest loading and unloading times are equal to 1 respectively, the idle time can only occur at the first and last cycles on the CNC machine.



## Lemma 2:

The total operation time on the L/U station is  $Z - 2$

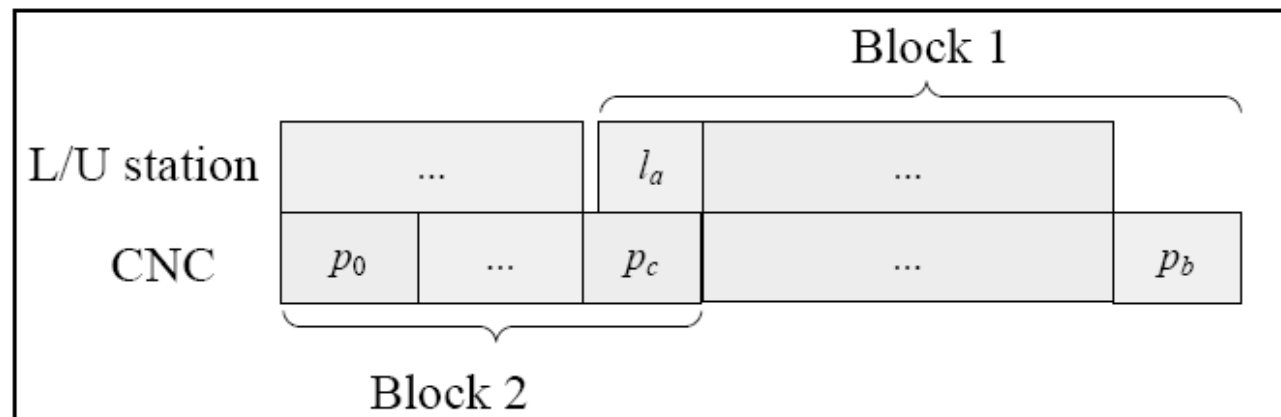
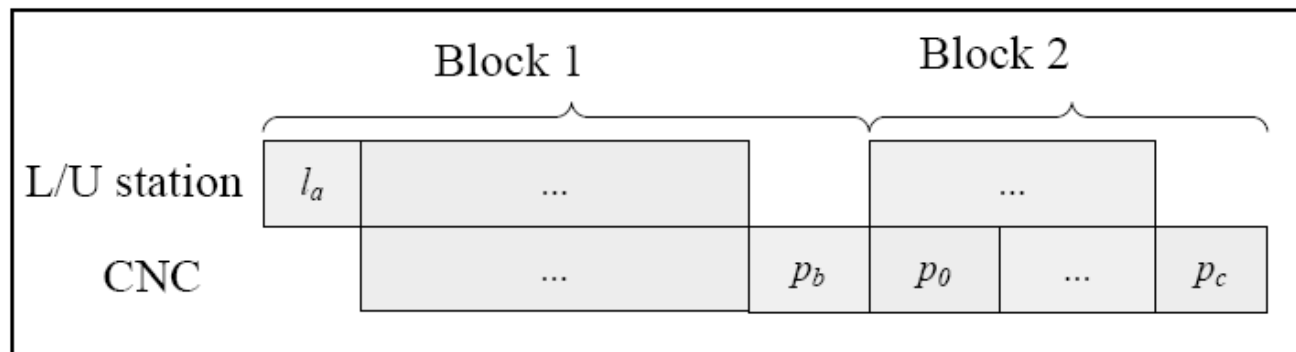
$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n [l(Ja_i) + l(Jb_i) + l(Jc_i) + u(Ja_i) + u(Jb_i) + u(Jc_i)] \\ &= 4n + 4n\beta + 3 \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i) = 4n + 4n\beta + 3C_0 = Z - 2 \end{aligned}$$

One unit of idle time can only occur in the second and second last cycles at the L/U station.





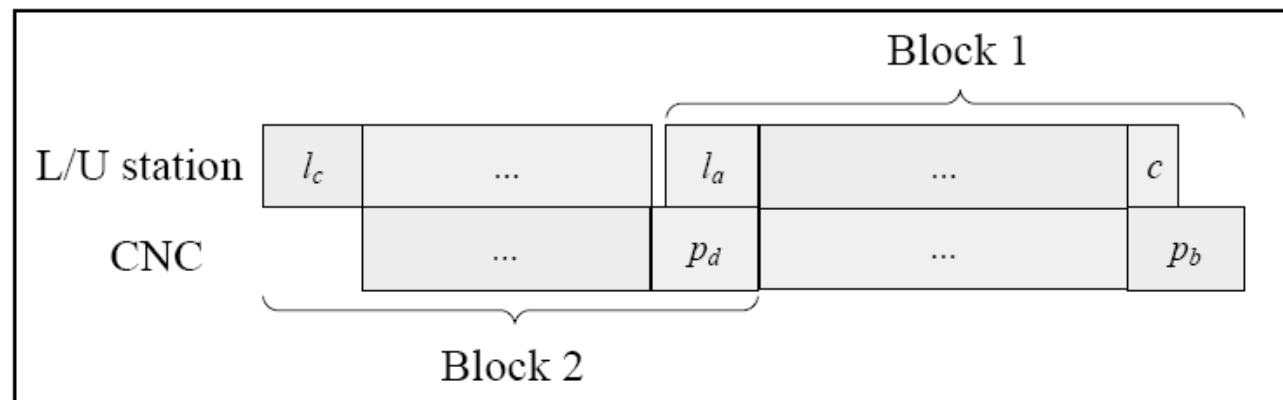
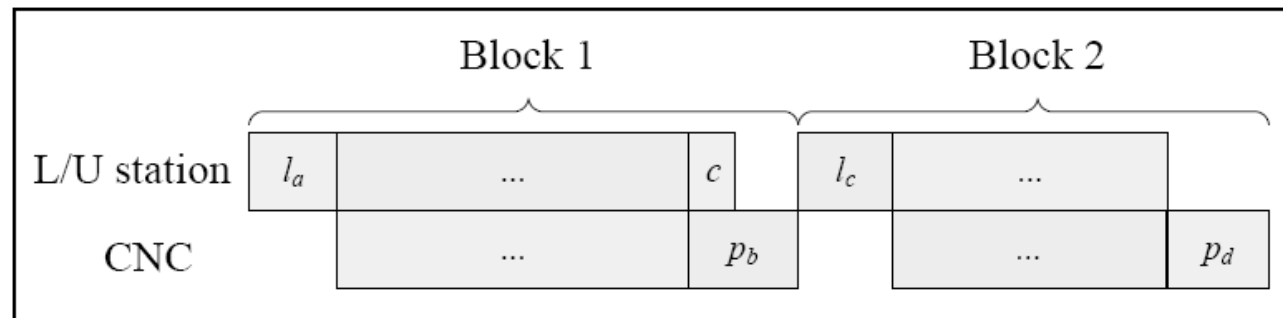
# Lemma 5: $J_0$ is sequenced in the first position



$$Z^1 - Z^2 = l_a + p_b + p_c - \max(l_a, p_c) - p_b = l_a + p_c - \max(l_a, p_c) > 0$$



# Lemma 6: $J_{n+1}$ is sequenced in the last position



$$Z^1 - Z^2 = l_a + \max(c, p_b) + l_c + p_d - l_c - \max(l_a, p_d) - \max(c, p_b)$$

$$= l_a + p_d - \max(l_a, p_d) > 0.$$



# Lemma 9

- Let these two processing times on machine  $k$  in cycles  $r$  and  $s$  be  $p_k^r$  and  $p_k^s$ , respectively.
- Assume that  $C_r \leq C_s$ , then  $p_k^r \leq p_k^s$ .
- Interchange these two processing times



# Lemma 9 (con't)

- Assume that  $C_r = p_k^r$ ,  $C_s = p_k^s$
- After interchange,

$$C'_r = p_k^s = C_s \text{ and } C_r = p_k^r \leq C'_s$$

$$\boxed{C_r + C_s \leq C'_r + C'_s}$$





# Lemma 9 (con't)

- Assume that  $C_r = p_k^r$ ,  $C_s > p_k^s$
- After interchange,

$$C_r \leq C'_r = p_k^s \quad \text{and} \quad C_s = C'_s$$

$$\boxed{C_r + C_s \leq C'_r + C'_s}$$



# Lemma 9 (con't)

- Assume that  $C_r > p_k^r$ ,  $C_s = p_k^s$
- After interchange,

$$C'_r = C_s = p_k^s$$

$$C'_s = \max\{p_k^r, \max_{f \neq k}\{p_f^s\}\}$$

(without considering  $p_k^s$  and  $p_k^r$ ,  $\max_{f \neq k}\{p_f^s\} \geq \max_{h \neq k}\{p_h^r\} > p_k^r$ )

$$C'_s = \max_{f \neq k}\{p_f^s\} \geq C_r$$

$$C_r + C_s \leq C'_r + C'_s$$



# Lemma 9 (con't)

- Assume that  $C_r > p_k^r$ ,  $C_s > p_k^s$
- After interchange,

$$C_r' = \max\{C_r, p_k^s\} \geq C_r \quad \text{and} \quad C_s = C_s'$$

$$C_r + C_s \leq C_r' + C_s'$$

