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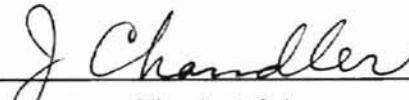
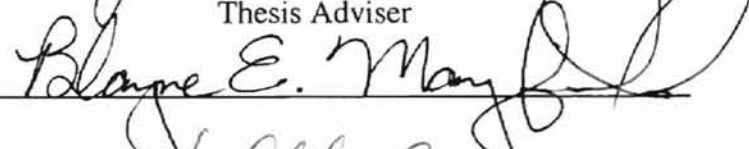


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## CHAPTER 1

### INTRODUCTION

Scheduling is an effective allocation of a set of machines over time to a set of jobs [Silberschatz and Galvin 1998].

Suppose that we have to perform a number of jobs, each of which consists of a given sequence of operations, by using a number of machines. We want to find a processing order on each machine so that the corresponding cost is minimized. This is scheduling.

It is true that scheduling originally arose in an industrial production context. However, various other interpretations are possible: jobs and machines can stand for patients and hospital equipment, classes and teachers, ships and dockyards, dinners and cooks, programs and computers, or cities and salesmen, and so on. Each of these situations fits into the framework sketched above and thus falls within the scope of machine scheduling theory and algorithms.

In job processing, some problems allow jobs to be interrupted or preempted, others do not. If interruption or preemption is not allowed, then the machine must process the job continuously until it is finished, once a job has begun on a given machine. We call such problem “Non-interruptible Scheduling.” This thesis focuses on algorithms for non-interruptible scheduling problems. A survey of the algorithms for non-interruptible

scheduling problems is presented in this thesis. Some simple examples of the execution of these algorithms are also provided to illustrate the algorithms. To show a comprehensive application of these algorithms, I also present an implementation of a real work force dispatching project developed for the customer service and maintenance division of an energy company. Comparisons have been made of the implementation of different algorithms to see the performance of these algorithms and real world requirements for an approximately optimal result.

## CHAPTER 2

### SURVEY OF PROBLEMS AND ALGORITHMS

The study of scheduling is motivated by problems that arise in production planning, in project management, in military movement, in computer control, and so on. In general, these problems are from a situation in which scarce resources have to be allocated to jobs over time. Due to the demand for optimal scheduling by fast developing industries, scheduling theory and applications have become the subject of extensive study and research since early the 1950's. Much of the literature has been focused on algorithms for solving all kinds of problems since then. This paper, as mentioned in the preceding section, will concentrate on the basic problems and algorithms in the area of deterministic non-interruptible machine scheduling. Attention will also be given to combinatorial optimization by using genetic algorithms and special methods for traveling salesman problems.

The survey is organized into five sections. Section 1 classifies scheduling problems and notations. Section 2 presents the algorithms for single machine scheduling. Section 3 contains algorithms for open shop, flow-shop and job-shop problems. Section 4 provides algorithms for parallel machine problems. Section 5 discusses some problems in combinatorial optimization.

## 2.1 Problem Classification And Notation

Scheduling is an effective allocation of a set of machines over time to a set of jobs. Suppose that  $m$  machines  $M_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ) have to process  $n$  jobs  $J_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ). A non-interruptible scheduling is, therefore, an allocation of a time interval on one machine for each job. Non-interruptible scheduling is feasible if no two time intervals on the same machine overlap, and if the schedule meets a number of specific requirements concerning machine environments and the job characteristics. A non-interruptible scheduling is optimal if it minimizes a given optimality criterion. So, the machine environments, the job characteristics and the optimality criteria together define a problem type. Some literature specifies scheduling problems in terms of a three-field classification, while others use four or more fields that provide extra sections to define the machine and processing environments.

### 2.1.1 Three-Field Classification

The three-field classification is denoted by  $\alpha/\beta/\gamma$ . [Conway, Maxwell, and Miller 1967], [Lawler, Lenstra, and Rinnooy Kan 1982], [Herrmann, Lee and Snowdon 1993]. The  $\alpha$  field describes the machine environment and contains a single entry, the  $\beta$  field provides details of processing characteristics and constraints and may contain no entry, a single entry, or multiple entries, and the  $\gamma$  field specifies the optimality criterion of interest and usually contains a single entry. This classification is introduced as:

a) Job Data

A job is generally specified by the following data:

The number of jobs denoted by  $n$  ( $n$  is assumed to be finite).

Processing time ( $P_{ij}$ ) ---- the processing time of job  $j$  on machine  $i$ .  $i$  is omitted if job  $j$  does not depend on the machine or if job  $j$  is only to be processed on one given machine. The process time is usually assumed to be known fairly precisely. But this is not always true. For example, transmitting files over modems, the transmission rate depends on the degree of congestion in the network and processing time can vary considerably. Similarly convalescence time for hospital patients can be unpredictable, etc.

Release date ( $r_j$ ) ---- the time on which a job becomes available for processing, also referred as the ready date.

Due date ( $d_j$ ) ---- the date a job is promised to the customer.

b) Machine Environment

The machine environment indicates the number of machines and describes the configuration of the processing environment relative to the machines. The following specifications are generally used:

Single machine (1) ---- a single machine environment;  $P_{1j} = P_j$ .

Identical machine in parallel ( $Pm$ ) ----  $m$  identical machines in parallel,

$$P_{ij} = P_j \text{ for all } M_i;$$

Machines in parallel with different speeds ( $Qm$ ) ----  $m$  machines in parallel with different speeds. Machine speeds are independent of jobs.

Unrelated machines in parallel ( $Rm$ ) ----  $m$  different machines in parallel.

Machine speeds depend on the jobs processed.

Flow shop ( $F$ ) ----  $m$  machines in series, jobs possess multiple operations. The ordering is the same for each job. For example, in an assembly shop, a number of operations have to be done on every job. Often, these operations have to be done on all jobs in the same order, which implies that the jobs have to follow the same route. The machines are assumed to be set up in series and the environment is referred as a flow-shop.

Job shop ( $J$ ) ----  $m$  machines in series, jobs possess multiple operations.

The ordering is not required for each job.

Open shop ( $O$ ) ----  $m$  machines, each job may be processed more than once on each of the  $m$  machines but no ordering on the machines is imposed.

c) Job Characteristics

Generally, the job characteristics specify whether or not a job can be interrupted during processing, whether or not precedence ordering is imposed on jobs, whether or not job-dependent release times are given, and finally, specifications regarding job duration times, e.g. all jobs possess unit duration times.

Preemption ( $pmtn$ ) ---- Jobs are interruptible during processing. All jobs in this thesis are non-interruptible (i.e. there is no preemption).

Precedence constraints ( $prec$ ) ---- Precedence requires that one or more jobs may have to be completed before another job is allowed to start its processing. If each job has at most one predecessor and one successor, the constraints are referred to as *chains*. If each job has at most one successor, the constraints are referred to as *intree*. If each job at most has one predecessor, the constraints are referred to as

*outtree*. If no precedence constraints appear in the  $\beta$  field, the jobs are not subjected to precedence constraints.

Job-dependent release time ( $r_j$ ) ---- release dates that may differ per job.

Unit duration time ( $t_i$ )---- all jobs possess unit duration times  $t_i = 1$ .

d) Optimality Criteria

The field  $\gamma$  is used for specifying measures of performance and, as a consequence, is generally self-evident.

For example, Let  $C_j$  denote completion time,  $d_j$  due date,  $L_j$  lateness, and  $T_j$  tardiness

$$L_j = C_j - d_j$$

$$T_j = \max\{0, C_j - d_j\}$$

( $T_j$  is kind of lateness, but it is always a positive number,  $L_j$  can either be positive or a negative number which represents the job completed ahead of due day).

The optimality criteria commonly chosen involve the minimization of maximum completion time  $C_{max}$  (sometimes called the schedule length or makespan) and the minimization of  $L_{max}$  and  $T_{max}$ .

### 2.1.2 Four-Field Classification

The four-field classification is denoted by  $n/m/A/B$ . [Conway, Maxwell, and Miller 1967], [Lenstra 1977], [Rinnooy Kan 1976], [Graham et al. 1979] and [French 1982].

Where

$n$  is the number of jobs.

$m$  the number of machines.

A describes the flow pattern or discipline within the machine shop.

When  $m = 1$ , A is left blank. A may be

$F$  ---- the flow-shop case

$P$  ---- the permutation flow-shop case

$G$  ---- the general job-shop case

B provides optimality criteria, the same as above.

This paper will use three-field classification and four-field classification alternatively. Notation will be given if a specific classification is used in the section.

## 2.2 Algorithms For Single Machine Scheduling

(In this section, problems are described by a three-field classification  $\alpha/\beta/\gamma$ .)

Single machine models often display properties that do not hold for either machines in parallel or machines in series. A single machine environment provides a basis for heuristics for more complicated machine environments. In practice, scheduling problems in more complicated machine environments are often decomposed into sub-problems that deal with single machines.

### 2.2.1 Permutation Schedules



Assume we have a job list  $\{ J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n \}$  and a machine M. If jobs are scheduled without designated idle time, the schedule is perfect. Otherwise we must have jobs permuted with minimum designated idle time. That is, the machine starts processing at time equals zero and continues without or with minimum rest until the time equals total processing time or with a minimum amount of extra time.

In scheduling, we write  $J_{j(k)}$  for job  $J_j$  that is scheduled at the  $k$ th position in the processing sequence. Thus  $J_j$  is simply a generic job drawn from the job list  $\{ J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n \}$  and  $J_{j(k)}$  is the job that the processing sequence selects as the  $k$ th to be processed,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Permutation usually follows the FIFO discipline. Calculation of the total cost is straightforward, so no detailed description is necessary here. See Fig. 1.



Fig. 1 Gantt Diagram Of Permutation Scheduling

### 2.2.2 Shortest Processing Time Scheduling (SPT)

For a particular job, the average job flow time  $\bar{F}$  is calculated as follow:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{F} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n F_j = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (W_j + P_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n W_{j(k)} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n P_{j(k)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $F$  ---- job flow time

$W$ ---- job waiting time

$P$  ---- job processing time

Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^n P_{j(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^n P_j$  is a constant for all sequences. Hence to minimize  $\bar{F}$  we

must minimize  $\sum_{k=1}^n W_{j(k)}$ .

Therefore, for one machine and n jobs, minimizing the average flow time denoted by  $(1/n/\bar{F})$ , the mean flow time is minimized by sequencing  $P_{j(1)} \leq P_{j(2)} \leq P_{j(3)} \leq \dots \leq P_{j(n)}$ .

Hence  $P_{j(k)}$  is the processing time of the job that is processed kth.

Thus, a queue scheduled with the shortest processing time first will solve (one machine and n job) problems in minimizing the mean flow time, mean completion time, mean waiting time, mean lateness, mean number of unfinished jobs, and mean number of jobs waiting between machines, [Conway, Maxwell and Miller, 1967], [Rinnooy Kan 1976].



Fig.2 Gantt Diagram Of Schedules SPT

Example: One machine, six jobs, minimum mean flow time problem  $(1/6/\bar{F})$

Job	1	2	3	4	5	6
Processing Time	6	5	4	3	2	1

The optimal SPT schedule for jobs is (6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1). That is, the shortest job is scheduled first.

The flow time of each job is:

$$F_{j(1)} = 1$$

$$F_{j(2)} = 1 + 2$$

$$F_{j(3)} = 1 + 2 + 3$$

$$F_{j(4)} = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4$$

$$F_{j(5)} = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5$$

$$F_{j(6)} = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6$$

Mean flow time of the schedule is:

$$\frac{1}{6} \sum_{k=1}^6 F_{j(k)} = \frac{1}{6} (6 \times 1 + 5 \times 2 + 4 \times 3 + 3 \times 4 + 2 \times 5 + 6) = 9.3333$$

Clearly the schedule is optimal.

### 2.2.3 Earliest Due Date Scheduling (EDD) [Jackson 1955]

An initial approach to scheduling is, perhaps, to sequence jobs in the order in which they are required. In other words, sequence the jobs such that the first processed has the earliest due date, the second processed has the next earliest due date, and so on. For one machine, scheduling jobs by the earliest completion time and never delaying jobs results in processing the maximum number of jobs [Pinedo 1995], but skipping any jobs is usually not an option in real life.

Thus, for one machine and  $n$  jobs, minimizing maximum lateness denoted by  $(1/n/L_{\max})$ , sequencing minimizes the maximum lateness

$$d_{j(1)} \leq d_{j(2)} \leq d_{j(3)} \leq \dots \leq d_{j(n)}$$

where  $d_{j(k)}$  is the due date of the job  $j$  that is processed  $k$ th.

$d_{j(1)}$	$d_{j(2)}$	....	$d_{j(k-1)}$	$d_{j(k)}$
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Fig.3 Gantt Diagram Of Schedules EDD

Example: One machine, six jobs, minimizing the maximum tardiness problem ( $1/6/T_{\max}$ )

Job	1	2	3	4	5	6
Due Date	7	3	8	12	9	3
Processing Time	1	1	2	4	1	3

The optimal EDD schedule for jobs is (6, 2, 1, 3, 5, 4). From the table below, we find the optimal  $T_{\max} = 1$ .

Job	Completion Time	Lateness	Tardiness
$J_{j(k)}$	$C_{j(k)} = \sum_{l=1}^k P_{j(l)}$	$L_{j(k)} = C_{j(k)} - d_{j(k)}$	$T_{j(k)} = \max(0, C_{j(k)} - d_{j(k)})$
6	3	0	0
2	4	1	1
1	5	-2	0
3	7	-1	0
5	8	-1	0
4	12	0	0

#### 2.2.4 Moore's Algorithm [Moore 1968], [Sturm 1970], [Kise et al. 1978]

In the real world, if a job is behind its due date by a few seconds or a few minutes, the entire production might be upset. Thus, we need to minimize the number of tardy jobs. An algorithm for solving this problem is due to Moore, but in a form suggested by Hodgson [Moore 1968].

Algorithm (Moore and Hodgson)

Step1: Sequence the jobs according to the EDD rule to find the current sequence

$(J_{j(1)}, J_{j(2)}, \dots, J_{j(n)})$  such that

For  $k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

$$d_{j(k)} \leq d_{j(k+1)}$$

Step 2: Find the first tardy job, say  $J_{j(t)}$ , in the current sequence. If no such job is found, go to step 4.

Step 3: Find the job in the sequence  $(J_{j(1)}, J_{j(2)}, \dots, J_{j(t)})$  with the largest processing time and reject this from the current sequence. Return to step 2 with a current sequence one shorter than before.

Step 4: Form an optimal schedule by taking the current sequence and appending to it the rejected jobs, which may be sequenced in any order.

Note: The rejected jobs will be tardy and these will be the only tardy jobs.

Example: One machine six jobs, minimizing the maximum number of tardy jobs.

Job	1	2	3	4	5	6
Due Date	15	6	9	23	20	30
Processing Time	10	3	4	8	10	6

- 1) Use the EDD sequence to compute the completion times until a tardy job is found (Steps 1 and 2):

<u>New Sequence</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
Due Date	6	9	15	20	23	30
Processing Time	3	4	10	10	8	6
Completion Time	3	7	17			

- 2) We find job 1 to be the first tardy job in the sequence and of the sub-sequence (2, 3, 1) it has the largest processing time. So reject it (Step 3).

Return to Step 2 with the new sequence:

<u>New Sequence</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Rejected jobs</u>
Due Date	6	9	20	23	30	1
Processing Time	3	4	10	8	6	
Completion Time	3	7	17	25		

- 3) We find job 4 to be the first tardy job in the sequence and of the sub-sequence (2, 3, 5, 4), job 5 has the largest processing time. So reject it (Step 3). Return to Step 2 with the new sequence. No tardy jobs are now

found:

<u>New Sequence</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Rejected jobs</u>
Due Date	6	9	23	30	1, 5
Processing Time	3	4	8	6	
Completion Time	3	7	15	21	

- 4) Hence, we move on to Step 4 and form the optimal sequence (2,3,4,6,1,5).

### 2.2.5 Lawler's Algorithm [Lawler 1973]

This algorithm deals with general precedence constraints. Here we shall simply be constrained to process certain jobs before, but not necessarily immediately before, certain others. Lawler's algorithm minimizes the maximum cost of processing a job, where this cost has a general form  $\gamma_j(C_j)$  for  $J_j$  and is taken to non-decreasing in the completion time  $C_j$ . Thus, the algorithm minimizes

$$\max_{j=1}^n \{\gamma_j(C_j)\}$$

Consider one-machine and  $n$  jobs with precedence constraints, minimizing the maximum cost problem denoted by  $(1/n/\max_{j=1}^n \{\gamma_j(C_j)\})$ . Let  $V$  denote the subset of jobs, which may be performed last (i.e. those jobs which are not required to precede any other jobs). Note that the final job in the schedule must be completed at  $\tau = \sum_{j=1}^n P_j$ . Let  $J_k$  be a job in  $V$  such that

$$\gamma_k(\tau) = \min_{J_j \in V} \{\gamma_j(\tau)\}$$

(i.e. of all the jobs that may be performed last,  $J_k$  incurs the least cost). Then there is an optimal schedule in which  $J_k$  is scheduled last.

Example: One-machine and six jobs, minimizing maximum lateness problem with the precedence constraints in Fig. 4.

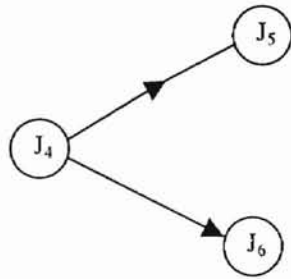
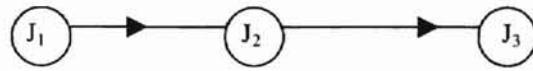


Fig. 4 Precedence Constraints

Job	J <sub>1</sub>	J <sub>2</sub>	J <sub>3</sub>	J <sub>4</sub>	J <sub>5</sub>	J <sub>6</sub>
Processing Time	2	3	4	3	2	1
Due Date	3	6	9	7	11	7

- 1) Find the job to be processed sixth:  $\tau = 2 + 3 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 15$ .

Jobs J<sub>3</sub>, J<sub>5</sub>, J<sub>6</sub> can be processed last, i.e.  $V = \{J_3, J_5, J_6\}$ . So the minimum lateness over  $V = \min \{(15-9), (15-11), (15-7)\}$ , which occurs for J<sub>5</sub>. Hence J<sub>5</sub> is scheduled sixth.

- 2) Find the job to be processed fifth:

Delete J<sub>5</sub> from our list and note that the completion time of the first five jobs  $\tau = 15 - 2 = 13$ . J<sub>3</sub>, or J<sub>6</sub> can be processed last now; i.e.  $V = \{J_3, J_6\}$ . So the



minimum lateness over  $V = \min \{(13-9), (13-7)\}$ , occurs for  $J_3$ . So  $J_3$  is scheduled fifth.

3) Find the job to be processed fourth:

$J_3$  and  $J_5$  have been deleted from our list.  $J_2$  becomes available for processing last. Now  $\tau = 13 - 4 = 9$  and  $V = \{J_2, J_6\}$ . Minimum lateness over  $V = \min \{(9-6), (9-7)\}$ , occurs for  $J_6$ . So  $J_6$  is scheduled fourth.

4) Find the job to be processed third:

$J_3, J_5$  and  $J_6$  have been deleted from our list.  $J_2$  becomes available for processing last. Now  $\tau = 9 - 1 = 8$  and  $V = \{J_2, J_4\}$ . Minimum lateness over  $V = \min \{(8-6), (8-7)\}$ , which occurs for  $J_4$ . So  $J_4$  is scheduled third.

5) The jobs scheduled first and second are now clearly  $J_1$  and  $J_2$ , respectively, for the precedence constraints.

The final schedule is:

$$J_1 \rightarrow J_2 \rightarrow J_4 \rightarrow J_6 \rightarrow J_3 \rightarrow J_5$$

### 2.2.6 Smith's Algorithm [Smith 1956]

We know that EDD rules can solve the one-machine and  $n$  jobs, minimizing the maximum tardiness problem denoted by  $(1/n/T_{max})$ . But when we construct such a schedule we find  $T_{max} = 0$ , (i.e. all due dates can be met). Then we might think to optimize the schedule the other way. Indeed Smith's algorithm gives us a way of finding a schedule to minimize  $\bar{F}$  subject to the condition that  $T_{max} = 0$ .

Thus for the  $n$  jobs, one machine problem when all the due dates can be met, there exists a schedule which minimizes  $\bar{F}$  subject to  $T_{max} = 0$  and in which job  $J_k$  is last if and only if

$$(a) \quad d_k \geq \sum_{j=1}^n P_j,$$

$$(b) \quad P_k \geq P_l \text{ for all jobs } J_l \text{ such that } d_l \geq \sum_{i=1}^n P_i.$$

Smith's Algorithm

Step 1: Set  $k=n$ ,  $\tau = \sum_{j=1}^n P_j$ ;  $U = \{ J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n \}$

Step 2: Find  $J_{j(k)}$  in  $U$  such that (a)  $d_{j(k)} \geq \tau$  and (b)  $P_{j(k)} \geq P_l$  for all  $J_l$  in  $U$  such that

$$d_l \geq \tau.$$

Step 3: Decrease  $k$  by 1; decrease  $\tau$  by  $P_{j(k)}$ ; delete  $J_{j(k)}$  from  $U$ .

Step 4: If there are more jobs to schedule, i.e. if  $k \geq 1$ , go to Step 2. Otherwise stop with the optimal processing sequence  $(J_{j(1)}, J_{j(2)}, \dots, J_{j(n)})$ .

In stating the algorithm we have used the following notation:

$k$  the position in the processing sequence currently being filled ( $k$  cycles down  $n, (n-1), \dots, 1$ )

$\tau$  the time at which the job  $k$ th in the sequence must complete

$U$  the set of unscheduled jobs

Example: One machine, 4 jobs, minimizing average flow time problem denoted by  $(1/4/\bar{F})$  subject to  $T_{max} = 0$ .

Job	J <sub>1</sub>	J <sub>2</sub>	J <sub>3</sub>	J <sub>4</sub>
Processing Time	2	3	1	2
Due Date	5	6	7	8

Step 1:  $k=4$ ,  $\tau = 2 + 3 + 1 + 2 = 8$ ,  $U = \{J_1, J_2, J_3, J_4\}$ .

Step 2: Only  $J_4$  satisfies condition (a) so we choose  $J_{j(4)} = J_4$

Step 3:  $k=3$ ,  $\tau = 6$ ,  $U = \{J_1, J_2, J_3\}$ .

Step 4:  $k \geq 1$ . (return to Step 2)

Step 2:  $J_2$  and  $J_3$  satisfy condition (a);  $J_2$  has the larger processing time, so  $J_{j(3)} = J_2$

Step 3:  $k=2$ ,  $\tau = 3$ ,  $U = \{J_1, J_3\}$ .

Step 4:  $k \geq 1$ . (return to Step 2)

Step 2:  $J_1$  and  $J_3$  satisfy condition (a);  $J_1$  has the larger processing time, so  $J_{j(2)} = J_1$

Step 3:  $k=1$ ,  $\tau = 1$ ,  $U = \{J_3\}$ .

Step 4:  $k \geq 1$ . (return to Step 2)

Step 2:  $J_3$  satisfies condition (a), so  $J_{j(1)} = J_3$

Step 3:  $k=0$ ,  $\tau = 0$ ,  $U$  is empty.

Step 4: Optimal sequence is  $(J_3, J_1, J_2, J_4)$ .

The following examination shows that EDD does not minimize  $\bar{F}$  subject to  $T_{\max}=0$ , but Smith's algorithm does. For the preceding example, the scheduling result of Smith's Algorithm is  $(J_3, J_1, J_2, J_4)$ , and the scheduling result of EDD is  $(J_1, J_2, J_3, J_4)$ :

$$\bar{F} = \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n W_j + \sum_{j=1}^n P_j \right)$$

Where:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n W_j \quad \text{total waiting time.}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n P_j \quad \text{total processing time.}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^4 P_j = 8 \text{ for both schedules}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^4 W_j = W_3 + W_1 + W_2 + W_4 = 0 + 1 + 3 + 6 = 10 \text{ (Scheduling by Smith's algorithm)}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^4 W_j = W_1 + W_2 + W_3 + W_4 = 0 + 2 + 5 + 6 = 13 \text{ (Scheduling by EDD)}$$

$$\bar{F} = \frac{1}{4} (10 + 8) \text{ (Average flow time by Smith's algorithm)}$$

$$\bar{F} = \frac{1}{4} (13 + 8) \text{ (Average flow time by EDD)}$$

### 2.2.7 Van Wassenhov And Gelders' Algorithm [Van Wassenhov and Gelders 1980]

(Finding Schedules efficient with respect to  $T_{\max}$  and that  $\bar{F}$ )

According to Smith's theory, we are only willing to consider reducing  $\bar{F}$  (mean flow time) once we have ensured that  $T_{\max} = 0$ . In other words, penalty costs have overriding importance. Yet, if we are prepared to allow  $T_{\max}$  to rise, we might be able to reduce  $\bar{F}$  more than sufficiently to compensate for an increase in  $T_{\max}$ . Thus, the focus now is to minimize  $\bar{F}$  subject to  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta$ , (i.e. subject to no job being finished more than

$\Delta$  after its due date). The algorithm can also be described as solving the one machine,  $n$  jobs, minimizing the average flow time problem denoted by  $(1/n/\bar{F})$  subject to  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta$ .

By adding  $\Delta$  to all the due dates and apply Smith's algorithm we find:

Step 2 of Smith's algorithm can be modified and replaced by:

Step 2: Find  $J_{j(k)}$  in  $U$  such that (a)  $d_{j(k)} \geq \tau$  and (b)  $P_{j(k)} \geq P_l$  for all  $J_l$  in  $U$  such that  $d_l \geq \tau$ . If there is a choice for  $J_{j(k)}$ , choose  $J_{j(k)}$  to have the latest possible due date.

When this modification is made, the algorithm always finds an efficient schedule.

Based on this principle, Van Wassenhov and Gelders developed their algorithm as follows:

Step 1: Set  $\Delta = \sum_{j=1}^n P_j$ .

Step 2: Solve the  $1/n/\bar{F}$  problem subject to  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta$  using the modified version of Smith's algorithm. If Step 2 of that algorithm involves an arbitrary choice, repeat the solution until all possible choices have been made. If there is no schedule with  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta$ , go to Step 5.

Step 3: Let the schedule(s) found in Step 2 have  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta_0$ . Set  $\Delta = \Delta_0 - 1$ .

Step 4: If  $\Delta \geq 0$ , go to Step 2. Otherwise, continue to Step 5.

Step 5: Stop.

Example: A  $1/4/\bar{F}$  problem subject to  $T_{\max} \leq \Delta$

Job	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$	$J_4$
Processing Time	2	4	3	1
Due Date	1	2	4	6

Step 1:  $\Delta = 10$

Step 2: Find an efficient sequence  $(J_4, J_1, J_3, J_2)$  with  $\bar{F} = 20$  and  $T_{max} = 8$ .

Step 3:  $\Delta = 7$

Step 4:  $\Delta \geq 0$ .

Step 2: Find an efficient sequence  $(J_4, J_1, J_2, J_3)$  with  $\bar{F} = 21$  and  $T_{max} = 6$ .

Step 3:  $\Delta = 5$

Step 4:  $\Delta \geq 0$ .

Step 2: Find an efficient sequence  $(J_1, J_2, J_3, J_4)$  with  $\bar{F} = 27$  and  $T_{max} = 5$ .

Step 3:  $\Delta = 4$

Step 4:  $\Delta \geq 0$ .

Step 2: No sequence with  $T_{max} \leq 4$ .

Step 5: Stop.

Suppose the total cost in this example is linear with positive coefficients, say:

$$C(T_{max}, \bar{F}) = 4T_{max} + 7\bar{F}$$

The total cost of the three schedules are:

$(J_4, J_1, J_3, J_2)$ :  $T_{max} = 8$ ,  $\bar{F} = 20$ . Total cost =  $4 \times 8 + 7 \times 20 = 172$ .

$(J_4, J_1, J_2, J_3)$ :  $T_{max} = 6$ ,  $\bar{F} = 21$ . Total cost =  $4 \times 6 + 7 \times 21 = 171$ .

$(J_1, J_2, J_3, J_4)$ :  $T_{max} = 5$ ,  $\bar{F} = 27$ . Total cost =  $4 \times 5 + 7 \times 27 = 209$ .

Hence, the minimal cost schedule is  $(J_4, J_1, J_2, J_3)$

### 2.3 Algorithms For Flow-Shop, Job-Shop And Open Shops Problems.

In this section, the scheduling problem is described by a four-field classification  $n/m/A/B$ . [Conway, Maxwell, and Miller, 1967], [Lenstra 1977], [Rinnooy Kan, 1976] and Graham et al. 1979].

We shall now discuss problems in which each job requires execution on more than one machine. From section 2.1, we know that in an open shop the order in which a job passes through the machine is immaterial, whereas in a flow shop each job has the same machine ordering  $(M_1, M_2, \dots, M_m)$  and in a job shop the jobs may have different machine orderings.

Very few multi-operation scheduling problems can be solved in polynomial time. The most famous cases are the  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  [Johnson 1954],  $n/2/O/C_{max}$  [Gonzalez and Sahni, 1976]. We will limit our survey to these algorithms and their extended applications.

### 2.3.1 Algorithms For Flow-Shop Problems

In many manufacturing and assembly facilities a number of operations have to be done on every job. Often, these operations have to be done on all jobs in the same order, which implies that the jobs have to follow the same route. The machines are assumed to be set up in series and the environment is referred as a flow-shop. Johnson [1954] gives an  $O(n \log n)$  algorithm to solve the  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  problem. The logic turns out to be simple. Johnson [1954] also provide a particular case to solve the  $n/3/F/F_{max}$  problem in polynomial time, though  $n/3/F/F_{max}$  is strongly NP-hard [Garey, Johnson and Sethi 1976]. Enumerative methods are also commonly used in real life because of their

straightforwardness and simplicity. These three algorithms are shown in this section and simple examples are also provided in the following section.

### 2.3.1.1 Johnson's Algorithm For The $N/2/F/F_{max}$ Problem [Johnson 1954]

( $n$  job, 2 machines (each job in order M1, M2), flow-shop, to minimize maximum flow time)

- The basic logic of Johnson's algorithm for the  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  problem with  $P_{j1} = a_j$  and  $P_{j2} = b_j$ ,  $j=1, 2, \dots, n$ :
  - (1) if  $a_k = \min\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ , there is an optimal schedule with  $J_k$  first in the processing sequence;
  - (2) if  $b_k = \min\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ , there is an optimal schedule with  $J_k$  last in the processing sequence;
- Johnson's Algorithm

Step 1: Set  $k=1$ ,  $l=n$ .

Step 2: Set the current list of unscheduled jobs =  $\{J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n\}$ .

Step 3: Find the smallest of all the  $a_j$  and  $b_j$  times for the jobs currently unscheduled.

Step 4: If the smallest time is for  $J_j$  on first machine, i.e.  $a_j$  is smallest, then:

- (1) Schedule  $J_j$  in  $k$ th position of the processing sequence.
- (2) Delete  $J_j$  from the current list of unscheduled jobs.
- (3) Increment  $k$  to  $k + 1$ .
- (4) Go to Step 6.



Step 5: If the smallest time is for  $J_j$  on the second machine, i.e.  $b_j$  is smallest, then:

- (1) Schedule  $J_j$  in the  $l$ th position of the processing sequence.
- (2) Delete  $J_j$  from the current list of unscheduled jobs.
- (5) Reduce  $l$  to  $l - 1$ .
- (6) Go to Step 6.

Step 6: If there are any jobs still unscheduled, go to Step 3. Otherwise stop.

Note: If the smallest time occurs for more than one job in Step 3, then pick  $J_j$  arbitrarily.

Example: A  $7/2/F/F_{max}$  scheduling problem. The processing time on machines is as follows:

(The problem contains 7 jobs, 2 machines, flow shop, which minimize maximum flow time).

Job	$M_1$	$M_2$
1	6	3
2	2	9
3	4	3
4	1	8
5	7	1
6	4	5
7	7	6

Applying the algorithm, the schedule is as follows:

Job 4 scheduled: 4 –

Job 5 scheduled: 4 \* \* \* \* \*

Job 2 scheduled:	4	*	*	*	*	*	5
Job 3 scheduled:	4	2	*	*	*	*	5
Job 1 scheduled:	4	2	*	*	*	3	5
Job 6 scheduled:	4	2	6	*	1	3	5
Job 7 scheduled:	4	2	6	7	1	3	5

Hence, the optimal order is (4, 2, 6, 7, 1, 3, 5)

In the preceding schedule, there are two arbitrary choices. We could have put Job 5 into the last position of the sequence before scheduling Job 4, and the resulting sequence would have been the same. Also we could have scheduled Job 1 in the sixth position instead of Job 3. This would have led to a different, but equivalent, processing sequence (4, 2, 6, 7, 3, 1, 5).

### 2.3.1.2 Johnson's Algorithm For 'The $N/3/F/F_{max}$ Problem [Johnson 1954][Szwarc 1977]

Johnson's algorithm for the  $n/3/F/F_{max}$  problem is a special case of his algorithm for  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  problem. Here are the pre-conditions for this problem:

either

$$\min_{j=1}^n \{P_{j1}\} \geq \max_{j=1}^n \{P_{j2}\}$$

or

$$\min_{j=1}^n \{P_{j3}\} \geq \max_{j=1}^n \{P_{j2}\}$$

i.e. the maximum processing time on the second machine is no greater than the minimum time on either the first or the third. In such a case, an optimal schedule for the problem may be found by letting

$$a_j = p_{j1} + p_{j2}$$

$$b_j = p_{j2} + p_{j3}$$

and processing the jobs as if they are processed on two machines only, but with the processing time of each job being  $a_j$  and  $b_j$  on the first and second machine respectively.

Example: A  $6/3/F/F_{max}$  problem with processing time and order is as follows:

Job	<u>Actual Processing Time</u>			<u>Constructed Processing Time</u>	
	M <sub>1</sub>	M <sub>2</sub>	M <sub>3</sub>	1 <sup>st</sup> Machine	2 <sup>nd</sup> Machine
1	4	1	3	5	4
2	6	2	9	8	11
3	3	1	2	4	3
4	5	3	7	8	10
5	8	2	6	10	8
6	4	1	1	5	2

(a) Check the processing time on machines 1, 2, and 3.

$$\min_{j=1}^6 \{P_{1j}\} = 3;$$

$$\max_{j=1}^6 \{P_{2j}\} = 3;$$

$$\min_{j=1}^6 \{P_{j3}\} = 1.$$

Thus we have  $\min_{j=1}^6 \{P_{1j}\} = \max_{j=1}^6 \{P_{2j}\} = 3$ . (pre-condition is satisfied)

(b) Construct  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  times.  $a_j = p_{j1} + p_{j2}$  and  $b_j = p_{j2} + p_{j3}$ . For the results of the equation see the preceding table.

- (c) If we apply Johnson's algorithm for  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  we have the following processing sequence (2, 4, 5, 1, 3, 6).

For the results of sequencing see Fig. 5 Gantt Chart for  $6/3/F/F_{max}$  Problem.

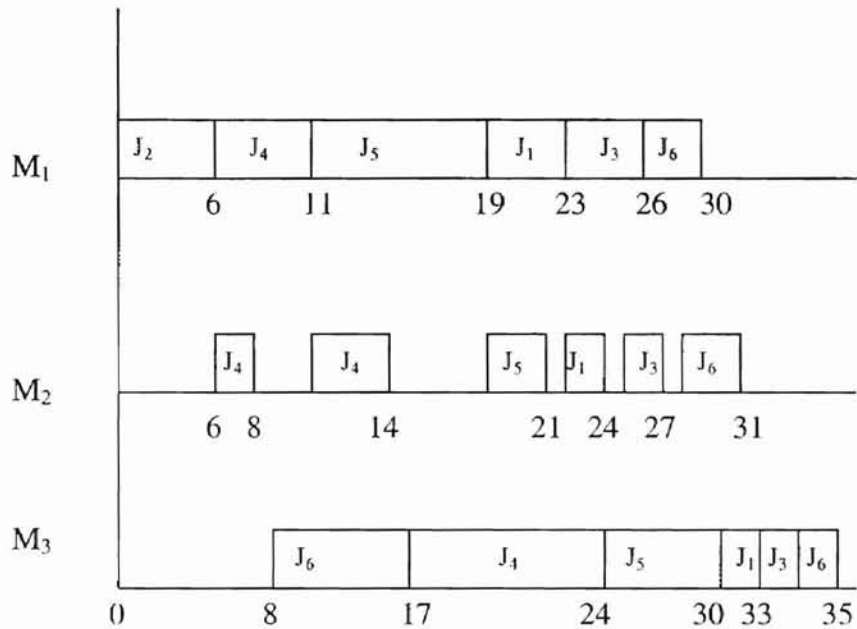


Fig. 5 Gantt Chart for the  $6/3/F/F_{max}$  Problem

### 2.3.1.3 Akers' Graphical Solution To The $2/M/F/F_{max}$ Problem [Akers 1956]

(two jobs n machines flow-shop case, graphically minimizing maximum flow time)

The method generates schedules one by one, searching for an optimal solution. It uses procedures of elimination to see if the non-optimality of one schedule implies the

non-optimality of many others not yet generated. It may not search all of the sets of feasible solutions.

Use a horizontal line to represent work on one job, a vertical line on the other, and a  $45^\circ$  line on both. The optimal schedule can be drawn with the following steps.

- Step 1. On a piece of graph paper, lay out the processing times of job 1, in order of processing on the (X) horizontal axis. Lay out the processing times of job 2 in order of processing on the (Y) axis. (total time on job 1  $\geq$  total time on job 2).
- Step 2. Find the oblong area where the processing time on the first machine required by job 1 crosses the processing time required by that same machine on job 2. Crosshatch this area. This area is the time when both jobs require the same machine.
- Step 3. Complete step 2 for all remaining machines.
- Step 4. Start from the origin, (0,0), draw (if possible) a  $45^\circ$  line until you hit an oblong area. Follow the edge of the oblong area until you can again go at a  $45^\circ$ [1]. Continue until you have completed all processing. (Justification: if we started at the origin and went to the right, job 1 would be done, letting job 2 wait. If we went straight up, job 2 would be done, letting job 1 wait. Therefore, a  $45^\circ$  line through a square indicates progress on both jobs).
- Step 5. Starting from the origin (0,0), count each square through which the line passes. This is the time for the optimal schedule. Check to see

which job has to wait by looking for horizontal (job 2 waits) or vertical (job 1 waits) lines.

- [1] If you hit the corner of an oblong area, follow both edges, generating alternative solutions. Pick the line that gives the least processing time.

The maximum flow time of the schedule can also be counted by either:

$$F_{\max} = \sum_{j=1}^m P_{1j} + \text{sum of length of vertical segments of the schedule line}$$

or

$$F_{\max} = \sum_{j=1}^m P_{2j} + \text{sum of length of horizontal segments of schedule line}$$

where  $m$  ---- number of machines,

$P_{1j}$  ---- processing time of job 1 at machine  $j$

$P_{2j}$  ---- processing time of job 2 at machine  $j$

Example. Graph Schedule for a 2-job, 7-machine process with data as follows:

Job 1	Order of machines	A	C	E	F	B	D	G
	Processing times	1	2	2	4	3	1	1
Job 2	Order of machines	C	F	A	E	G	D	B
	Processing times	3	3	2	1	1	1	2

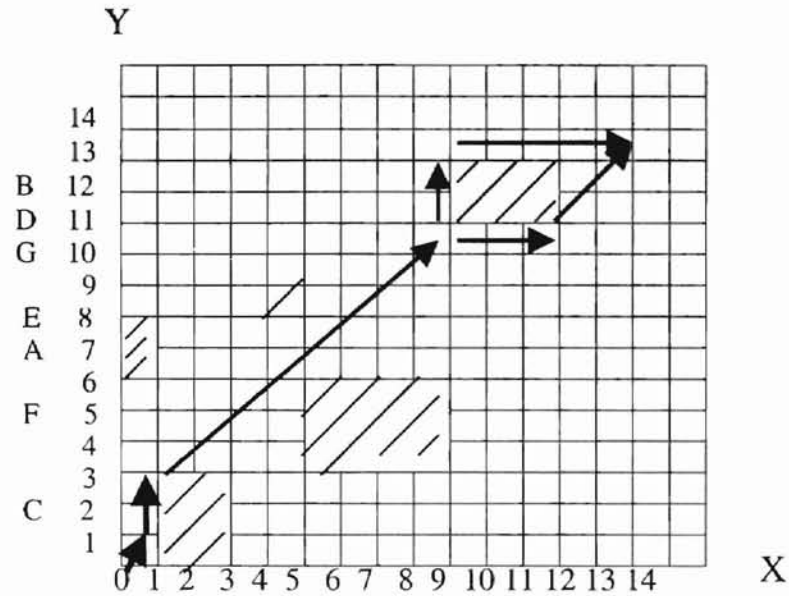


Fig. 6 Graph Of Schedule In  $2/7/F/F_{max}$ .

### 2.3.2 Algorithm For Job-Shop Problems

Relaxing the flow-structure can create an immediate generalization of the flow-shop problems. Rather than requiring each job to progress through the processing stage in an identical fashion, we now allow jobs to have different ordering requirements. In this context, we also allow job operations to involve repetitious processing. By a modification of Johnson's algorithm for  $n/2/F/F_{max}$ , the  $n/2/G/F_{max}$  (n job, 2 machine general job-shop, minimizing maximum flow time) the problem can be solved in polynomial time.

Johnson's algorithm for the  $n/2/G/F_{max}$  problem [Johnson 1954] is as follows:

Suppose that the set of n jobs  $\{ J_1, J_2, \dots, J_n \}$  may be partitioned into four types of jobs as follows:

Type A: those to be processed on machine  $M_1$  only.

Type B: those to be processed on machine  $M_2$  only.

Type C: those to be processed on both machines in the order  $M_1$  then  $M_2$ .

Type D: those to be processed on both machines in the order  $M_2$  then  $M_1$ .

The construction of an optimal schedule is straightforward.

- (1) Schedule the jobs of type A in any order to give the sequence  $S_A$ .
- (2) Schedule the jobs of type B in any order to give the sequence  $S_B$ .
- (3) Schedule the job of type C according to Johnson's algorithm for  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  problems to give the sequence  $S_C$ .
- (4) Schedule the job of type D according to Johnson's algorithm for  $n/2/F/F_{max}$  problems to give the sequence  $S_D$  (here  $M_2$  is the first machine and  $M_1$  is the second machine).

An optimal schedule is then:

Machine	Processing Order
$M_1$	$(S_C, S_A, S_D)$
$M_2$	$(S_D, S_B, S_C)$

This schedule clearly minimizes the idle time when  $M_2$  is kept waiting for jobs of Type C to complete on  $M_1$  or when  $M_1$  is kept waiting for jobs of Type D to complete on  $M_2$ . Therefore it is an optimal schedule.

Example: A  $9/2/G/F_{max}$  problem with times and processing order as follows:

Job	First Machine	Second Machine
1	$M_1$ 8	$M_2$ 2
2	$M_1$ 7	$M_2$ 5
3	$M_1$ 9	$M_2$ 8



4	M <sub>1</sub>	4	M <sub>2</sub>	7
5	M <sub>2</sub>	6	M <sub>1</sub>	4
6	M <sub>2</sub>	5	M <sub>1</sub>	3
7	M <sub>1</sub>	9	*	
8	M <sub>2</sub>	1	*	
9	M <sub>2</sub>	5	*	

Find the optimal schedule.

Type A jobs: Only job 7 is to be processed on M<sub>1</sub> alone.

Type B jobs: Jobs 8 and 9 require M<sub>2</sub> alone. Select arbitrary order (8, 9).

Type C jobs: Jobs 1, 2, 3, and 4 require M<sub>1</sub> first and then M<sub>2</sub>. Johnson's algorithm for this 4/2/F/F<sub>max</sub> problem gives the sequence (4, 3, 2, 1).

Type D jobs: Jobs 5, 6 require M<sub>2</sub> first and then M<sub>1</sub>. Johnson's algorithm for this 2/2/F/F<sub>max</sub> problem gives the sequence (5, 6)(M<sub>1</sub> is the second machine).

Hence, an optimal sequence for the overall problem is:

<u>Job Processing Sequence</u>	
Machine M <sub>1</sub>	(4, 3, 2, 1, 7, 5, 6)
Machine M <sub>1</sub>	(5, 6, 8, 9, 4, 3, 2, 1)

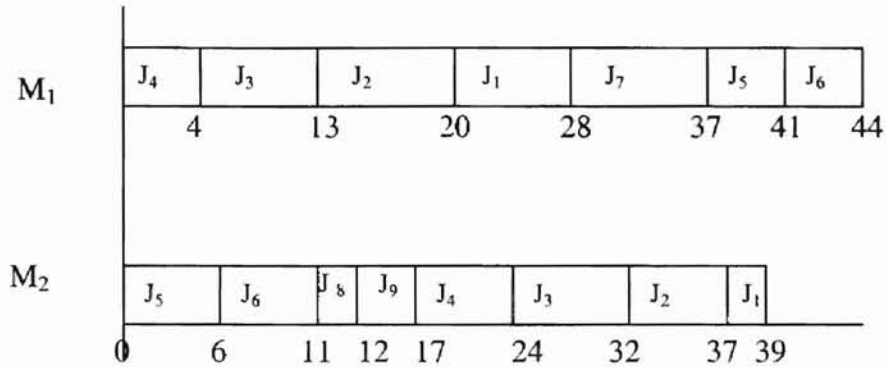


Fig. 7 Gantt Chart For The  $9/2/G/F_{max}$  Problem

### 2.3.3 Algorithm For Open Shop Problems

Though open shop problems have been proved to be NP-Complete [Parker 1995], minimizing makespan in the open shop with two machines ( $n/2/O/C_{max}$ ) problem turns out to be solvable in polynomial time due to Gonzalez and Sahni's [1976] contribution.

Algorithm for  $n$  jobs, two machines open shop problem ( $n/2/O/C_{max}$ ).

Step 1: Initialize by setting  $\Delta_1 = \Delta_2 = k = r = P_{01} = P_{02} = 0$ ;  $\pi = 0$ ;  $i = 0$ ;

Step 2: Compute  $\Delta_1 \leftarrow \Delta_1 + P_{i1}$ ;  $\Delta_2 \leftarrow \Delta_2 + P_{i2}$ ;

If  $P_{i1} \geq P_{i2}$ , go to step 3, else go to Step 4;

Step 3: If  $P_{i1} \geq P_{i2}$ , then extend  $\pi$  by concatenating as  $\pi r$  and set  $r \leftarrow i$ ; else, concatenate as  $\pi i$ . If  $i = n$ , go to Step 5; else set  $i \leftarrow i+1$  and return 2.

Step 4: If  $P_{i2} \geq P_{i1}$ , then extend  $\pi$  by concatenating as  $k\pi$  and set  $k \leftarrow i$ ; else, concatenate as  $i\pi$ . If  $i = n$ , go to Step 5; else set  $i \leftarrow i+1$  and return 2.

Step 5: If  $\Delta_1 - P_{k1} < \Delta_2 - P_{k2}$ , set  $\pi_1 \leftarrow \pi r k$  and  $\pi_2 \leftarrow k \pi r$ ; else set  $\pi_1 \leftarrow k \pi r$  and

$\pi_2 \leftarrow rk\pi$ . Remove all 0's from the permutations  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$  and schedule in these orders on respective processors.

Example: Four jobs, two machines, open-shop, minimizing makespan problem (4/2/O/ $C_{max}$ ). The four jobs and operation times are shown below:

Job	$M_1$	$M_2$
1	7	3
2	2	4
3	5	8
4	2	6

The computation can be easily summarized in the following table:

After iteration	$\pi$	r	k
1	0	1	0
2	00	1	2
3	200	1	3
4	3200	1	4

By applying Step 5, we form  $\pi_1 \leftarrow \pi rk = \{320014\}$  and  $\pi_2 \leftarrow k\pi r = \{432001\}$ . Or upon eliminating dummy 0s, we obtain  $\pi_1 = \{3214\}$  and  $\pi_2 = \{4321\}$ . The corresponding schedule is shown in Fig. 8.

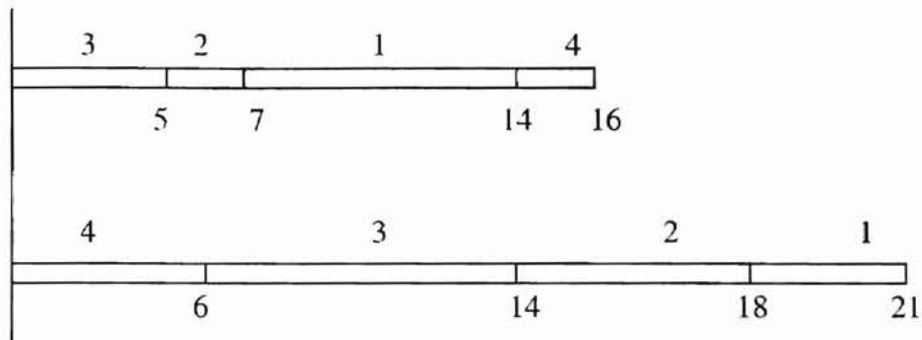


Fig. 8 Final Schedule for  $4/2/O/C_{max}$ .

#### 2.4 Algorithms For Parallel Machine Problems

In this section, problems are described by a three-field classification  $\alpha/\beta/\gamma$ . [Conway, Maxwell, and Miller, 1967], [Lawler, Lenstra, and Rinnooy Kan, 1982], [Herrmann, Lee and Snowdon, 1993].

For parallel machine problems, we assume an environment characterized by two or more machines where these machines have similar capabilities (but perhaps different performance qualities, such as speed and so on). That is, any of  $M \geq 2$  machines are available for processing a given job. The aim is to find an assignment of all jobs to existing machines that makes optimal some predetermined measure. Here we focus on algorithms for the makespan case.

This problem can be described as a given finite set of jobs  $J$ , a non-negative duration  $t_i$  for each  $i \in J$ , a number  $m \geq 2$  of machines, and a completion time threshold  $D > 0$ , find a partition  $(J_1, J_2, \dots, J_m)$  of  $J$  such that

$$\max\{\sum_{i \in J_k} t_i; 1 \leq k \leq m\} \leq D$$

It is clear that for any fixed number of  $m$  machines, the problem can be solved in polynomial time. But when  $m$  is free, it is a NP-complete problem. Facing this difficulty, it comes as no surprise that the problem has been studied in the context of approximation approaches.

#### 2.4.1 List Processing [Parker, R. G. 1995]

The method can be summarized in the following manner:

Create a list of jobs  $L$  and from this list, form a schedule as follow. Whenever a processor becomes available, schedule the first available job from the list.

The building of the list  $L$  might be guided by some sense of priority among jobs with the latter based on attributes such as job duration, due dates, and so on. The schedule building is simple and the results of the schedule satisfy the user's required priority, but the schedule is not necessarily optimal.

Example: A three-machine problem with duration time and ordered list as follows:

Job Processing Time and Order List										
Processing time:	7	3	2	5	4	8	6	3	5	4
Ordered List:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Following the preceding rules, the lists generated are (1,6,), (2,5,7,10), (3,4,8,9).

See Fig. 9.

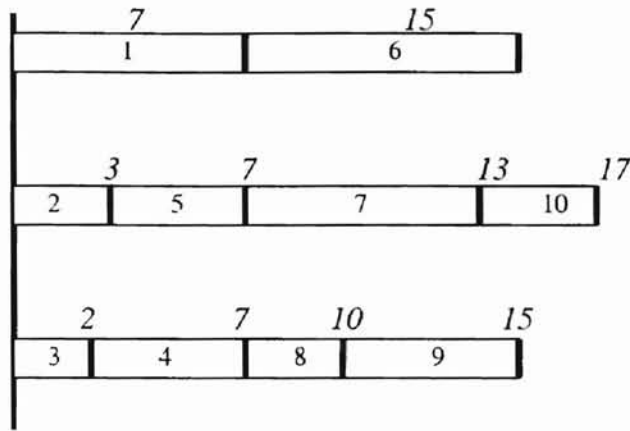


Fig. 9 List Processing Schedule

#### 2.4.2 Longest Processing Time Heuristic [Graham 1969]

The method can be summarized as follows:

Create L with jobs arranged in non-increasing t-order (longest processing time or LPT order). Form a schedule as follows: whenever a processor becomes available, schedule the first available job from the list.

Example: A four-machine problem with duration time and ordered list as follows:

Job Processing Time and Order List									
Processing time:	7	7	6	6	5	5	4	4	4
Job Order List:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Following the preceding rule, the list processing generated is (1, 7, 9), (2, 8), (3, 5), (4, 6). The result is shown in Fig. 10.

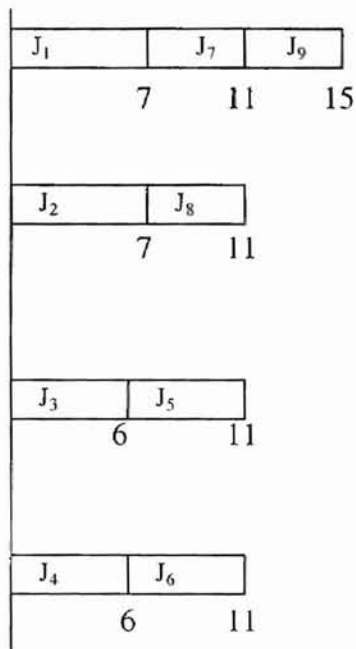


Fig.10 Example for Longest Processing Time Heuristic

### 2.4.3 MULTIFIT Heuristic [Coffman et al. 1978]

For some time the Longest Processing Time Heuristic was the best known in terms of a performance guarantee. However, this position of prominence was relinquished when Coffman et al. (1978) offered the MULTIFIT Heuristic which cleverly employs a natural dual-like relationship between the problem  $P||C_{\max}$  and the well-known BIN-PACKING problem.

BIN-PACKING seeks an admissible assignment or packing of a finite set of “chips,” each with some positive weight, into the fewest number of finite capacity “bins.” This dualistic relationship should be evident as illustrated by the following:

BIN-PACKING	$P  C_{\max}$
Bins	Machines
Capacity	$C_{\max}$ threshold
Chips	Jobs

Moreover, if packing into no more than  $m$  bins each with capacity of  $C$ , then there exists a suitable schedule with makespan no greater than  $C$ .

BIN-PACKING logic is considered for the following heuristics:

#### 2.4.3.1 First-Fit, Decreasing Weight Heuristic (FFD)

Create a list  $L$  of chips arranged in non-increasing weight-order. Select chips from  $L$  in this order, placing a given selection in the first available bin into which it will fit.

Example: Let  $C = 61$  and consider the list of chips given as  $L = (44, 24, 24, 22, 21, 17, 8, 8, 6, 6)$ . Applying the First-Fit, Decreasing Weight Heuristic produces the four-bin packing in Fig.11.

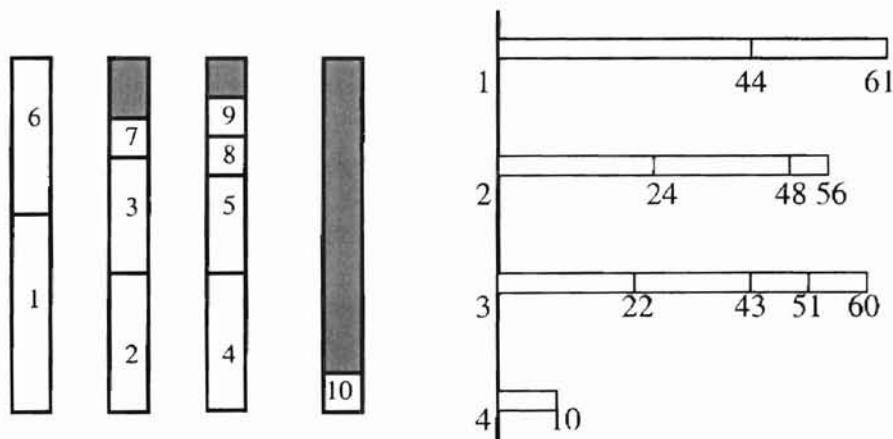


Fig. 11 First-Fit, Decreasing Weight Heuristic



### 2.4.3.2 MULTIFIT Heuristic

Step 1: Initialization. Let  $T$  be the set of jobs and fix upper and lower bounds relative to  $T$  and  $m$ , as  $\beta_U[T, m]$  and  $\beta_L[T, m]$  respectively. Let  $\beta_1(0) \leftarrow \beta_U$  and  $\beta_2(0) \leftarrow \beta_L$ . Choose a number of iterations  $t$  and an iteration counter  $i \leftarrow 1$ .

Step 2: Capacity change. If  $i > t$ , stop. Otherwise, set

$$C \leftarrow (\beta_2(i-1) + \beta_1(i-1)) / 2$$

Step 3: Upper bound. If the number of bins required by the First-Fit, Decreasing Weight Heuristic operating on  $T$  with capacity  $C$ , given as  $\text{FFD}[T, C]$ , is no greater than  $m$ , set  $\beta_1(i) \leftarrow C$ ,  $\beta_2(i) \leftarrow \beta_2(i-1)$ , update  $i \leftarrow i + 1$  and go to Step 2.

Step 4: Lower bound. If  $\text{FFD}[T, C] > m$ , set  $\beta_2(i) \leftarrow C$ ,  $\beta_1(i) \leftarrow \beta_1(i-1)$ , update  $i \leftarrow i + 1$  and go to Step 2

where

$$\beta_L[T, m] = \max \left\{ \frac{\sum t_j}{m}, \max_j(t_j) \right\}$$

$$\beta_U[T, m] = \max \left\{ \frac{2 \sum t_j}{m}, \max_j(t_j) \right\}$$

Example. A three-machine, seven-job problem with data as follows:

Job Number:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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Processing time: 59 47 38 22 13 12 11

Choose iteration  $t = 6$ .

The fixed Lower bound is:

$$\beta_L = (59 + 47 + 38 + 22 + 13 + 12 + 11) / 7 = 67.3$$

The fixed upper bound is:

$$\beta_u = 2 \times 67.3 = 134.6$$

The computation is summarized as:

When  $i = 1$ :

$$C = 100.9, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] \leq 3, \quad \beta_l(1) = 100.9, \quad \beta_2(1) = 67.3$$

When  $i = 2$ :

$$C = 84.1, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] \leq 3, \quad \beta_l(2) = 84.1, \quad \beta_2(2) = 67.3$$

When  $i = 3$ :

$$C = 75.7, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] \leq 3, \quad \beta_l(3) = 75.7, \quad \beta_2(3) = 67.3$$

When  $i = 4$ :

$$C = 71.5, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] \leq 3, \quad \beta_l(4) = 71.5, \quad \beta_2(4) = 67.3$$

When  $i = 5$ :

$$C = 69.4, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] > 3, \quad \beta_l(5) = 71.5, \quad \beta_2(5) = 69.4$$

When  $i = 6$ :

$$C = 70.5, \quad \text{FFD}[T, C] \leq 3, \quad \beta_l(6) = 70.5, \quad \beta_2(6) = 69.4$$

When  $i = 7$ : Stop.

Final packing yields the schedule shown in Fig. 12.

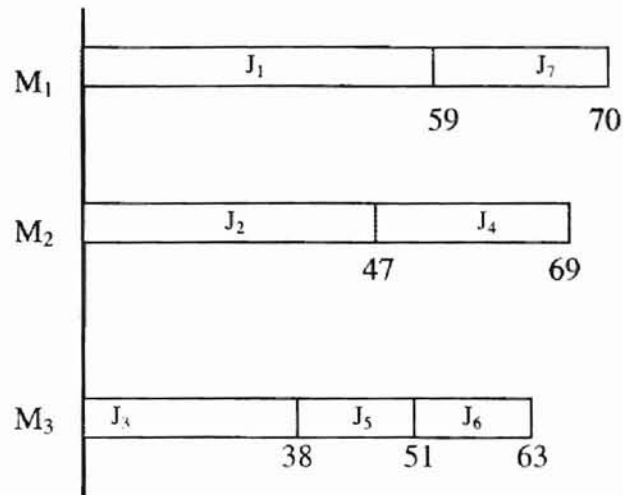


Fig. 12 Schedule of MULTIFIT Heuristic

Scheduling of jobs on parallel machines is very hard to solve. The scheduling of jobs with precedence constraints on parallel machines is harder, but there are some interesting solvable unit duration time cases. One is given by Hu [1961].

#### 2.4.4 Hu's Algorithm

Step 1: Compute the length of a longest path from each vertex. Call these values  $l_i$

Step 2: Create a list L of jobs arranged in non-increasing  $l$ -order. Perform List Processing on L.

Hu's Algorithm solves  $P|tree, t_i = 1|C_{max}$

Example: Three machines, 17 jobs are constrained as shown in Fig. 13. Each job is of one unit processing time. The final schedule can be seen in Fig. 14.

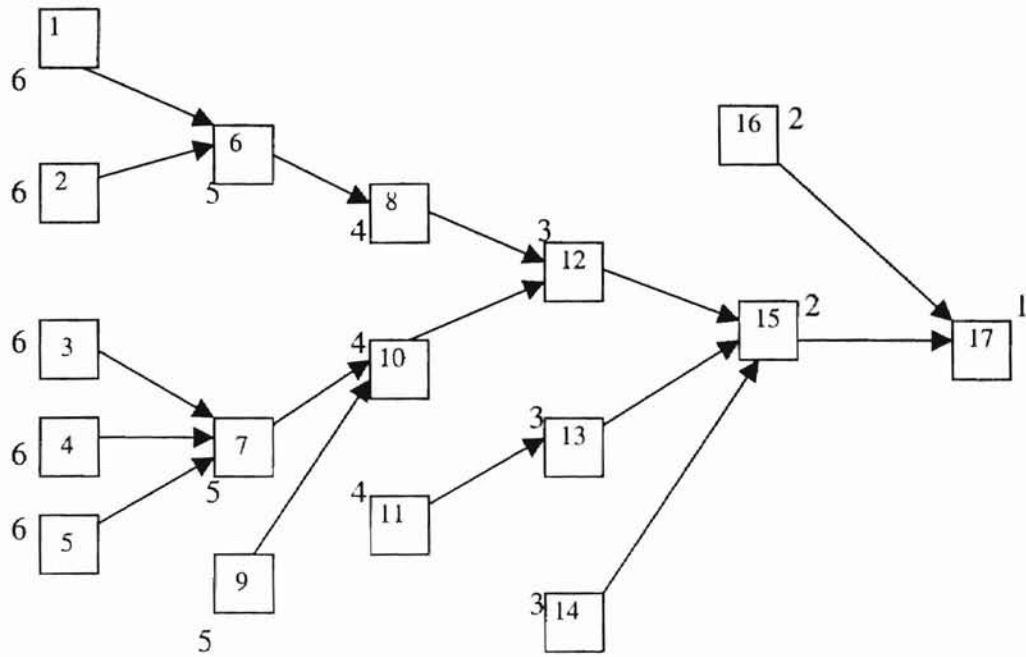


Fig. 13 Precedence Constraint Diagram

List L is built as (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17)

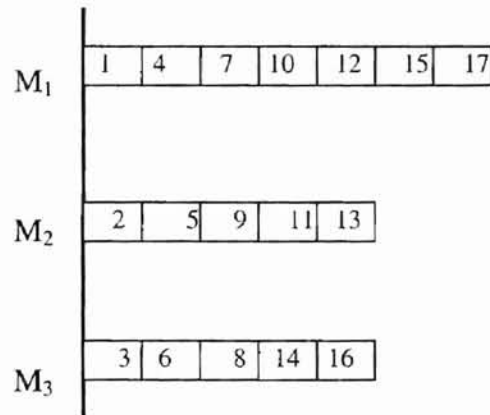


Fig. 14 Schedule of Hu's Algorithm

## 2.5 Some Problems In Combinatorial Optimization

Some scheduling problems can be solved efficiently by algorithms presented in the previous sections. Others require methods in combinatorial optimization. In this section, we will review the widely used methods for scheduling, such as traveling salesman and genetic algorithms.

### 2.5.1 Christofides Heuristic Algorithm For Traveling Salesman Problems

The traveling salesman problem (TSP) is one of the most popular problems in combinatorial optimization. Since the problem is so widely studied with most major results readily accessible in the literature, we will briefly review the Christofides' heuristic for the TSP and explicitly show this algorithm with an example.

The classic TSP asks for a tour through  $n$  "cities" that cover least total travel distance. The tour must begin and end at the same city with no city visited more than once. In graph-theoretic language, the problem is usually defined on a complete graph where edges are weighted as  $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  and the aim is to find a spanning cycle of the least amount of total weight. Christofides' heuristic is described by the following steps:

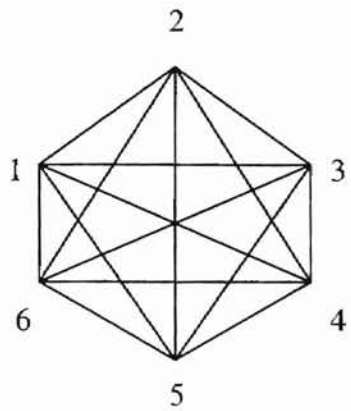
Step 1: Find a minimum weight spanning tree in  $G$ . Let this tree be given by  $T \subseteq E$ .

Step 2: Let the odd-degree vertices in the tree of Step 1 be denoted by  $V_0$  and find a minimum weight perfectly matching in the subgraph induced by  $V_0$ . Let this matching be denoted by  $M \subseteq E$ .

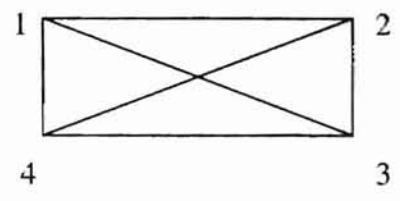
Step 3: The graph formed as  $M \cup T$  is called Eulerian<sup>[1]</sup>. Produce the corresponding (Eulerian) cycle and, interpret it as a vertex sequence, form a TSP tour by beginning as the initial vertex, and proceed in order, “shortcut” past duplicated vertices until the starting vertex is reached again.

Note: [1] ---- Given that the Eulerian graph is  $G = (V, E)$ , does  $G$  possess a walk that begins and ends at the same vertex and includes each edge exactly once? Such a walk is called an Eulerian traversal and a graph that admits it is called Eulerian [Euler 1736].

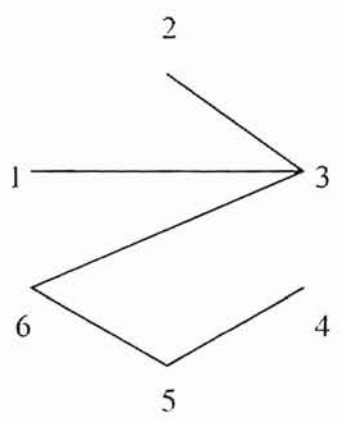
For example, consider the graph in Figure 15. The problem is shown in part G. In part a, the tree is given. The matching of Step 2 is shown in part b, and in parts c and d, the Eulerian cycle and generated tour are shown respectively.



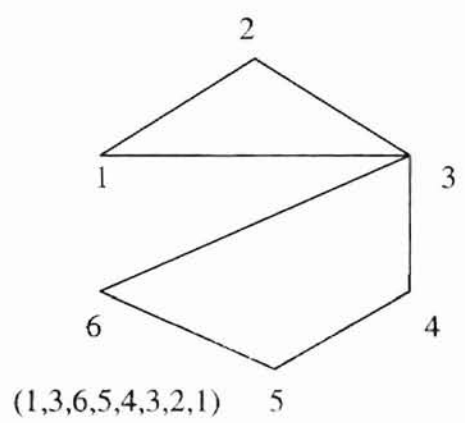
(G)



(b)

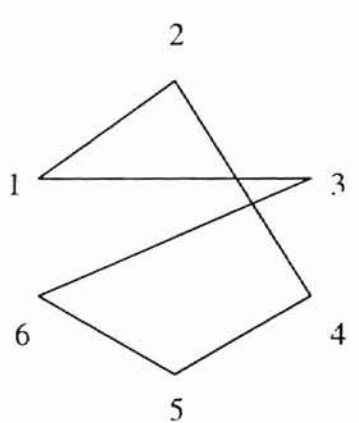


(a)



(1,3,6,5,4,3,2,1)

(c)



(d)

Fig. 15 Example Of Heuristic For TSP

### 2.5.2 Genetic Algorithms

Genetic algorithms are search algorithms based on the mechanics of natural selection and natural genetics. They combine survival of the fittest among string structures with a structured yet randomized information exchange to form a search algorithm [Goldberg 1989]. Genetic algorithms have been widely used in search and optimization in the areas of biology, computer science, engineering and operations research, job scheduling, and so on [Goldberg 1989], [Brown and Scherer 1995], [Kerr and Szelke 1995].

The mechanics of a genetic algorithm are surprisingly simple. It involves nothing more complex than copying strings and swapping partial strings. Its operation is composed of three operators, Reproduction, Crossover and Mutation. Reproduction is a process in which individual strings are copied according to their objective function values. After the newly reproduced strings in the mating pool are mated at random, an integer position  $k$  along the string is selected uniformly at random between 1 and the string length less than one ( $1, L-1$ ). Swapping all characters between position  $k+1$  and  $L$  inclusive creates two new strings. Mutation is a random walk through the string space for an occasional alteration of the value of a string position. Genetic algorithms are powerful in solving all kinds of problems in real life with the suitable implementation of these three operations.

Example: Maximize the function  $f(x)=x^2$ , where  $x$  is permitted to vary from 0 to 31.



Step 1: Choose an initial population by four repetitions of five coin tosses where head = 1, tail = 0. See table 1.

Step 2: Reproduce a new population of four strings by using random selection.

Step 3: Use coin tosses to pair off the happy couples. First couple 01101 and 11000, second couple 01000 and 10011.

Step 4: Use coin tosses to select the crossing site to cross over the mated string couples. First couple at position 4, second couple at position 2.

Step 5: Randomly select a mutation position, perform bit-by-bit mutation according to probability of mutation, (in this case no bits undergo mutation during a given generation for the rate is too small).

Step 6: If not satisfied with the result, go to Step 2, else go to Step 7.

Step 7: Stop.

The operation stops after 2 iterations. The maximum value of  $f(x)=x^2$  increased from 576 to 729. See Table 1 and Table 2 for the results.

Table 1 Initial Genetic Productions.

String No.	Initial Population	$x$ value	$f(x)$ $x^2$	Fitness slot size	Count
1	0 1 1 0 1	13	169	0.14	1
2	1 1 0 0 0	24	576	0.49	2
3	0 1 0 0 0	8	64	0.06	0
4	1 0 0 1 1	19	361	0.31	1

Table 2 Result of Genetic Cross Over.

Mating Pool After Prod.	Mate	Crossover Site	New Population	$x$ value	$f(x)$ $x^2$
0 1 1 0 1	2	4	0 1 1 0 0	12	144
1 1 0 0 0	1	4	1 1 0 0 1	25	625
0 1 0 0 0	4	2	1 1 0 1 1	11	729
1 0 0 1 1	3	2	1 0 0 0 0	16	256

## CHAPTER 3

### INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

Although scheduling algorithms originated from industry and have been developed to solve all kinds of problems, these algorithms can't cover all real world problems. In industrial practice we must analyze our problems, find the proper algorithm or combine a few algorithms together, or simply borrow some ideas from the available algorithms to find a good solution to our problems. Let's examine a mobile workforce dispatching problem and find a combinatorial solution to the problem.

#### 3.1 Background

A company called CGV has hundreds of service stations scattered all over a state on the eastern coast of the United States. These services have been providing repair and maintenance services for customers in their service areas. CGV plans to merge all the small services into a few service centers. Since the maintenance technicians are scattered around the state, it is impossible to have all the technicians gather at one service center, pick up their maintenance orders, and drive back to work each morning. Therefore, CGV plans to build a computer-aided dispatching station (CDS) and furnish a laptop computer for each technician's maintenance vehicle. The CDS station will communicate with each

technician through a wireless network (see Fig. 16). Thus, the technician will receive his maintenance orders for a day as soon as he gets in the van and starts his computer. The technician is required to send back his maintenance report and time sheet when a job is done or when he completes his assignment for a day. Not only the company benefits from doing this, but also customers and the technicians.

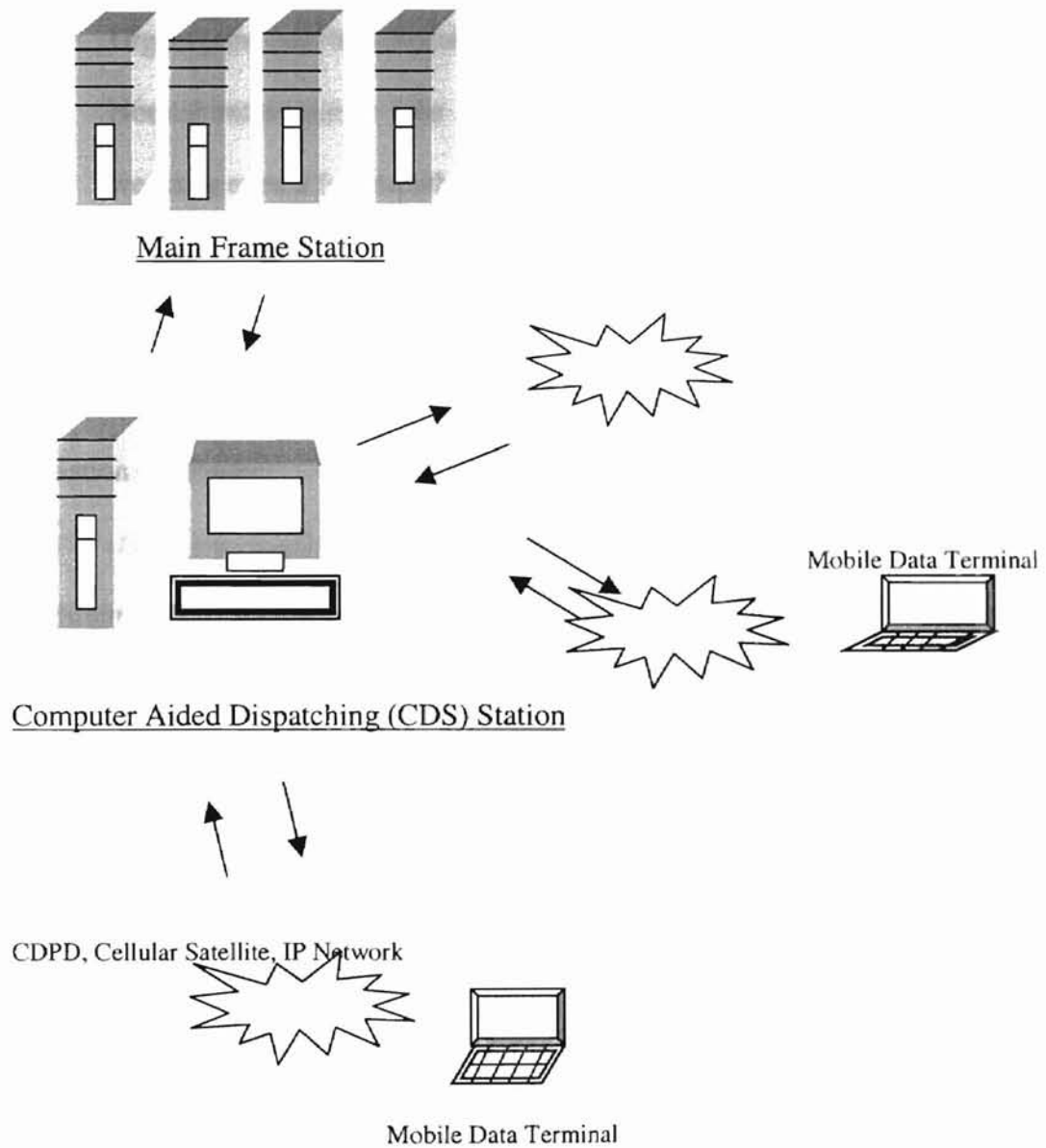


Fig.16.Network Configuration

Based on this specific condition, the company provided a short list of requirements for the design of the CDS system:

- 1) Every individual is assigned a responsible area.
- 2) Don't let technicians work overtime, if possible.
- 3) Customers don't like a technician to leave a job half done once it gets started.
- 4) Urgent jobs shall be scheduled and processed on the required date.
- 5) Normal maintenance jobs may be planned in the service center a few weeks or even a few months ahead of actual scheduled time.
- 6) Generally, the processing time ranges about 15 minutes to four hours (mostly less than one hour).

### 3.2 Initiation Of Project

#### 3.2.1 Preliminary Assumptions

According to the above-mentioned requirements, the following assumptions are made to simplify the selection of scheduling algorithms:

- 1) All technicians are equally good at all assigned jobs.
- 2) If a technician doesn't have enough jobs to do in his respective region, he can request to work in nearby areas.
- 3) Before dispatching jobs to a technician, the service center is supposed to have received a work request that includes the technician's name, work

location, starting time and working hours of the day (a technician can make more than one request for a day).

- 4) The dispatching algorithm will only dispatch jobs available at dispatching time.
- 5) A technician can't be interrupted once he is working on a job (i.e., this is non-interruptible scheduling).
- 6) The sum of a technician's work time and travel time shall be within eight hours per day.
- 7) Special cases not mentioned above will be handled through special dispatching channels (not to be discussed in this thesis).

### 3.2.2 Design Of Scheduling Logic

According to the user's requirements and our assumptions, this problem seems to be a problem of  $m$  machines in parallel,  $n$  jobs with precedence constraints, minimizing total cost. Now we divide the state into a few regions. According to their locations, characterize all jobs by zip codes (i.e. group all jobs into the divided regions). Each technician is assigned to work in one region. Since these technicians' daily tasks are not closely related, we can consider one technician and  $n$  jobs as a scheduling unit. The problem thus becomes a single machine,  $n$  job problem. The parallel operation of the  $m$  technicians is separated from the scheduling of  $n$  jobs to a single technician. This parallel operation is easily managed by the CDS by checking whether or not each region has a technician

logged in and jobs are evenly distributed among these regions. We only have the problem of scheduling  $n$  jobs with precedent constraints to a technician.

### 3.2.2.1 Job Storage And Management

- 1) Jobs are arbitrarily stored in the CDS database characterized by job identification number, job type (urgent or normal), estimated working time, due date, relative coordinates, address, and so on.
- 2) Jobs shall be dispatched from central lists to each technician's urgent job queue and normal job queue according to their due dates.
- 3) Priority rules for job dispatching:
  - Urgent jobs have priority to be dispatched first, and normal jobs will not be dispatched unless the urgent jobs have been properly dispatched.
  - On the due date of a normal job, it is automatically changed to an urgent job and transferred to the urgent list.
  - If urgent jobs are in regions where there are no technicians on duty, these jobs shall be dispatched through a special channel.

### 3.2.2.2 Location Checking Method

The relative coordinates of each job specify all job locations. The coordinates of his registered home address also specify a technician's start point.

### 3.2.2.3 Procedures of Assigning Jobs To Technicians

When a technician logs in and requests some hours of work (the ready time of each technician may be different), the CDS shall send jobs to a technician according to his expected work area, available hours, and taking the technician's registered address as the start point. Following the optimality and evaluation rules, the system will dispatch jobs from his job pool, report to CDS when jobs are done. The CDS will automatic update its database with information received from each technician.

### 3.2.2.4 Optimality And Evaluation

The optimality of this non-interruptible scheduling is to have the technician's work time in a day as near to eight hours (may change according to his requested work hours) as possible with as little travel time as possible. Since the scheduling logic is leading to a one-machine n jobs with precedence constraints, maximizing working hours problem, this problem can be solved by applying the following algorithms repeatedly in two cases:

- Shortest travel distance first scheduling (SDF).
- Shortest process time first scheduling (SPT).
- Longest processing time first scheduling (LPT).
- Genetic SDF scheduling (GSDF).
- Genetic SPT scheduling (GSPT).
- Genetic LPT scheduling (GLPT).



- Dispatch one job from one of the above six queues that schedules the longest working hour and least traveling time in the following sense.

Case 1: Requested work time is longer than the total work time of jobs available.

The technician's work time bin is larger than all available jobs could fill. All the algorithms listed above will pack the time bin with the same amount of work time and different drive time. Since the SDF algorithm will build schedules with the shortest travel time, the system will only invoke SDF scheduling. The best solution is guaranteed.

Case 2: Plenty of jobs waiting to be processed.

Since there are plenty of jobs waiting to be processed, the technician's time bins can be packed with the six algorithms for each job request. The system will choose one queue that has been filled with the longest work time and dispatch the first job from the queue. When the job is done, the system will mark the job status "done" and transfer it to CDS' finished job database. If the technician requests another job, the system will fill the new time bin provided by the technician with remaining jobs in the job pool. The above steps will be repeated for each job request until the technician wants to stop. Since the time bin size is relatively fixed for each job request, more work time means less drive time. Each time a technician requests a job, the system will build six queues for selection. Choosing one job every time from the queue identified by maximum work time optimality is surely enough to guarantee a very good schedule.

### 3.2.2.5 Program Flowchart

According to the design of the scheduling logic, the following program flowchart provides us with the solution. See Fig. 17.

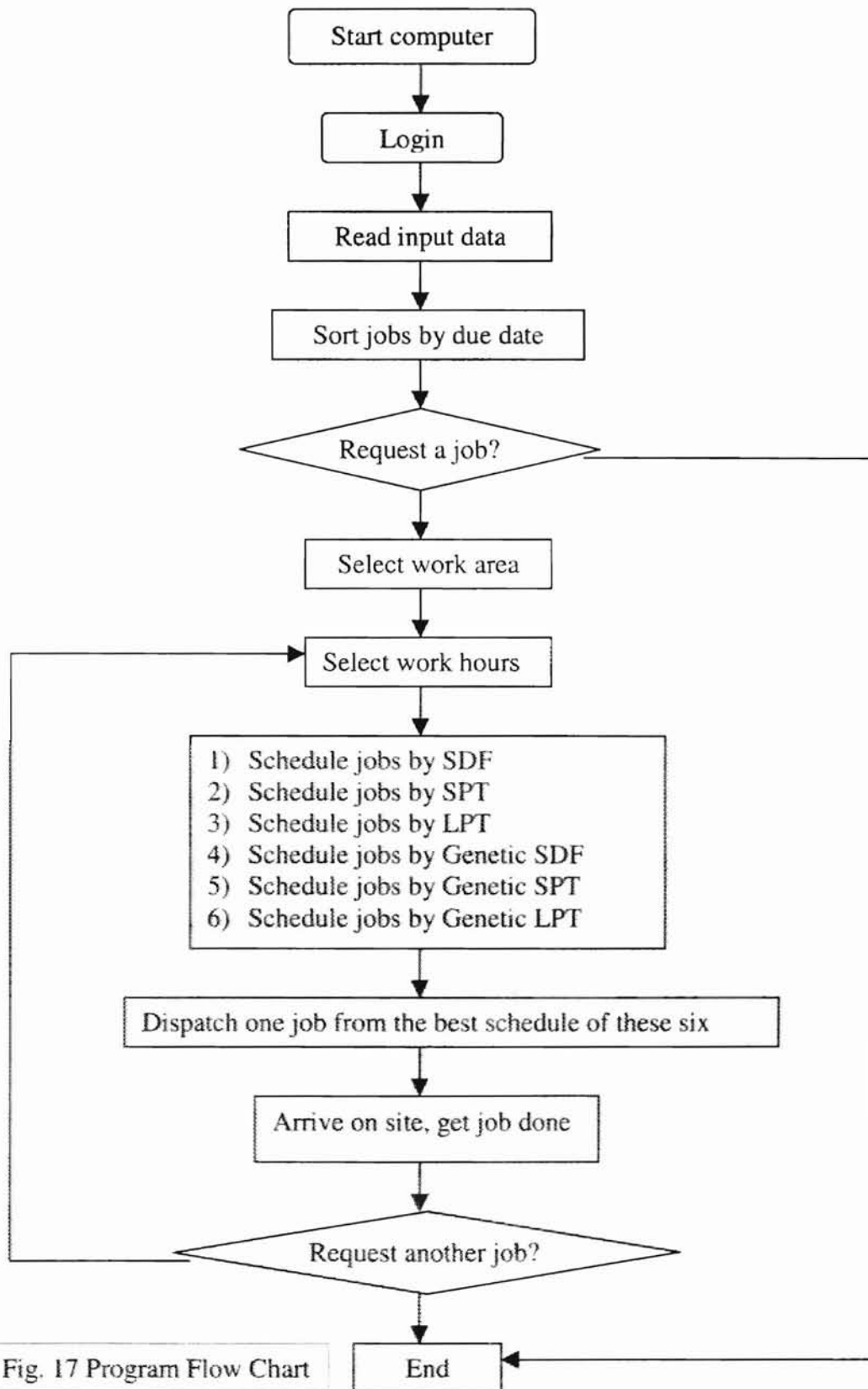


Fig. 17 Program Flow Chart

### 3.3 Empirical Application of the Combinatorial Solution

#### 3.3.1 The Simulation Program

To simulate the scheduling, the following requirements have been kept in mind during programming:

- a) Login and logout date and time zone are Eastern Time as provided by the computer.
- b) Actual work time, travel time, mileage, jobs completed shall be reported to the CDS as soon as a job is completed.
- c) The final report shall include today's total work time, mileage and jobs completed.
- d) A technician can change his expected work hours when he requests another job.
- e) A technician can login and logout as many times as he needs to in a day.

The program was written in C. See Appendix A.

As illustrated above, the program first employs three algorithms (SDF, SPT, LPT) to make three schedules. It is known that the three algorithms will not provide an optimal solution each time a job is dispatched. There are many uncertain conditions not considered by the three. Thus, a genetic algorithm is applied to optimize these three schedules respectively, and the result is exciting. The genetic algorithm reschedules the three queues about  $6!$  times each (It is estimated that a technician will work out 6 jobs each day on average. The possible permutation of jobs in the queue is estimated to be  $6!$ ).

The best schedule is saved for final comparison. The final schedule chooses one job from one of these six schedules whenever a technician requests a job. Therefore, a combinatorial schedule is automatically built up, and provides us with a very good job dispatching sequence.

### 3.3.2 Empirical Application

In real life, there are many aspects that influence scheduling. The combinatorial scheduling logic has given certain considerations to the boundary conditions. The empirical application considers four technicians working in four different areas respectively (see Fig.18). All the job locations originated from random numbers and the technicians' home locations are arbitrarily chosen.

#### 3.3.2.1 An Eight Hour Day at Normal Jobs

Technician Mike Jackson ID #111 requests to work eight hours in his home area with zip code 100. The system finds that normal jobs #10 to #26 in this area are available. According to his requested work area, zip code, and work hours, the system first sorts these jobs by due date and then schedules six queues of jobs each time he requests a job. The system automatically finds one job from the best of the six schedules and assigns it to the technician. When he arrives on site, the actual work time starts. When the job is done, the job is reported to the CDS. The system will ask if he requests another job, if he wishes to change expected work time, and so on. until the total time is near to eight hours. Let's examine the scheduling and assignment in detail.

Location of Technicians And Area Numbers

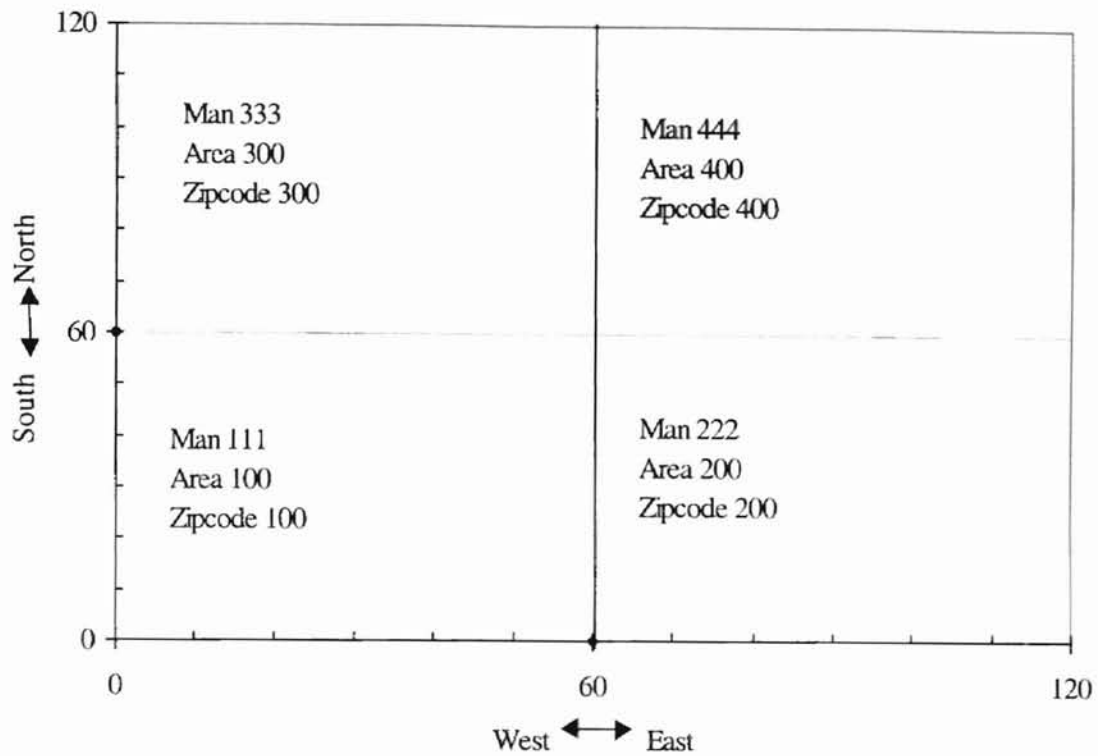


Fig. 18 Location of Technicians And Area Numbers

1) Man 111 first requests to work for eight hours. The following six queues are created.

Table 3. Eight-Hour Schedules for M111 In Area 100

Algorithm	Schedule	Work Time (hr)	Travel Time (hr)	No. of Jobs
SDF	#10, #11, #12, #15, #13, #14, #16, #17	4.8	2.4	8
SPT	#16, #19, #20, #24, #10, #11, #12, #15	3	4.26	8
LPT	#26, #25, #13	3.75	3.83	3
GSDF	#10, #11, #12, #15, #13, #14, #16, #17	4.8	2.4	8
GSPT	#11, #15, #12, #13, #14, #18, #17	4.8	3.13	7
GLPT	#10, #11, #14, #17, #18, #26	4.8	2.3	6

See Table 3 for detail schedules. These travel routines , see Fig.19 to Fig. 24..

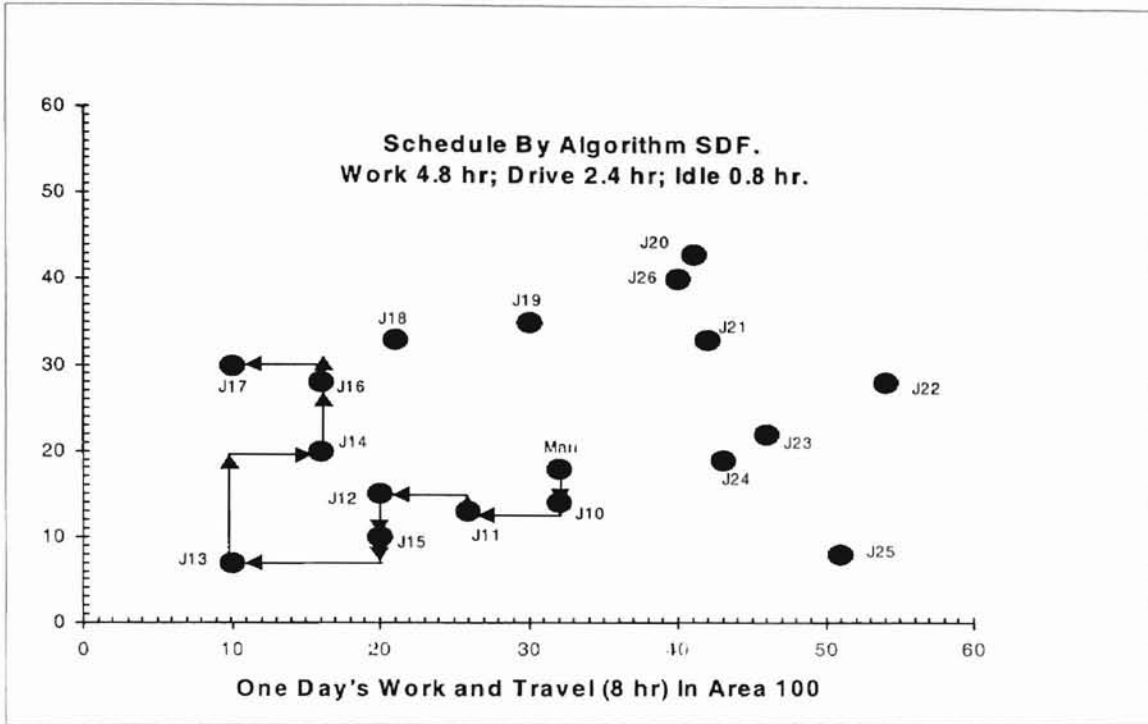


Fig. 19 Possible Travel Route for Man 111 By SDF

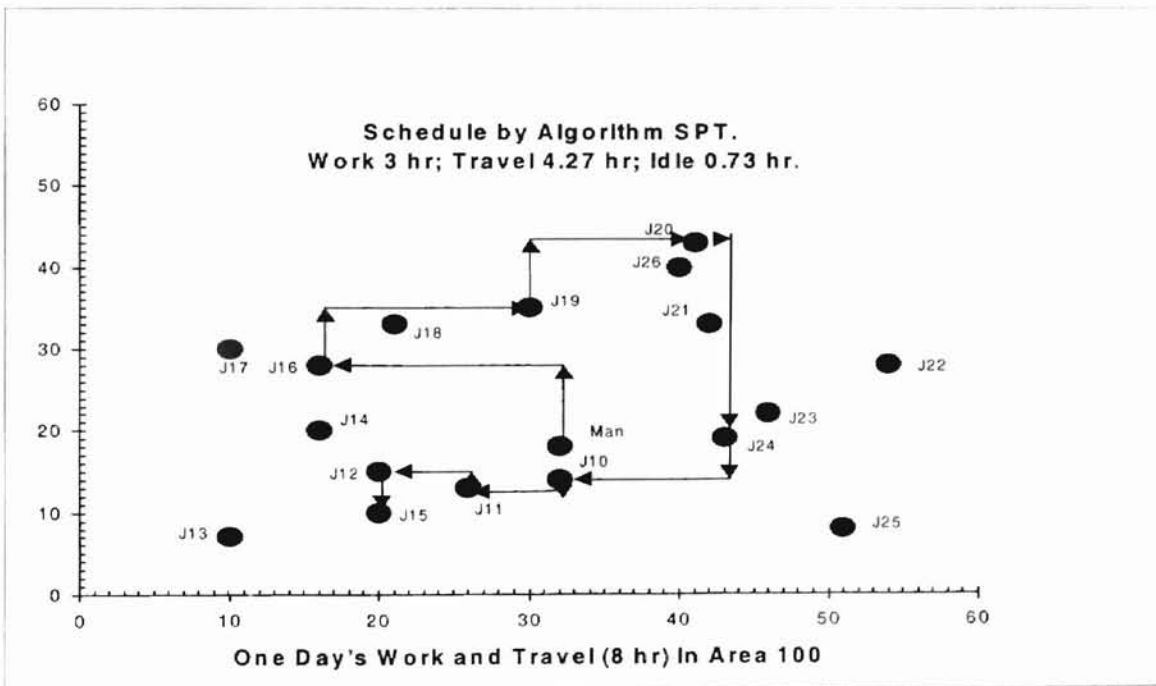


Fig. 20 Possible Travel Route for Man 111 By SPT

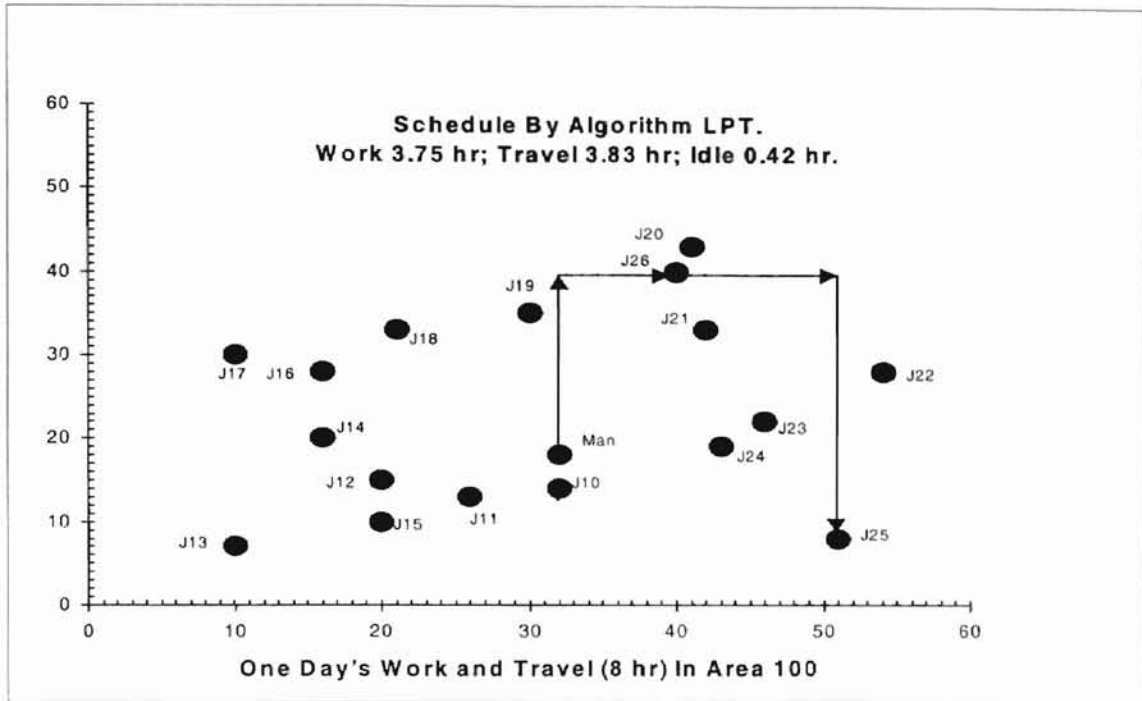


Fig. 21 Possible Travel Route for Man 111 By LPT

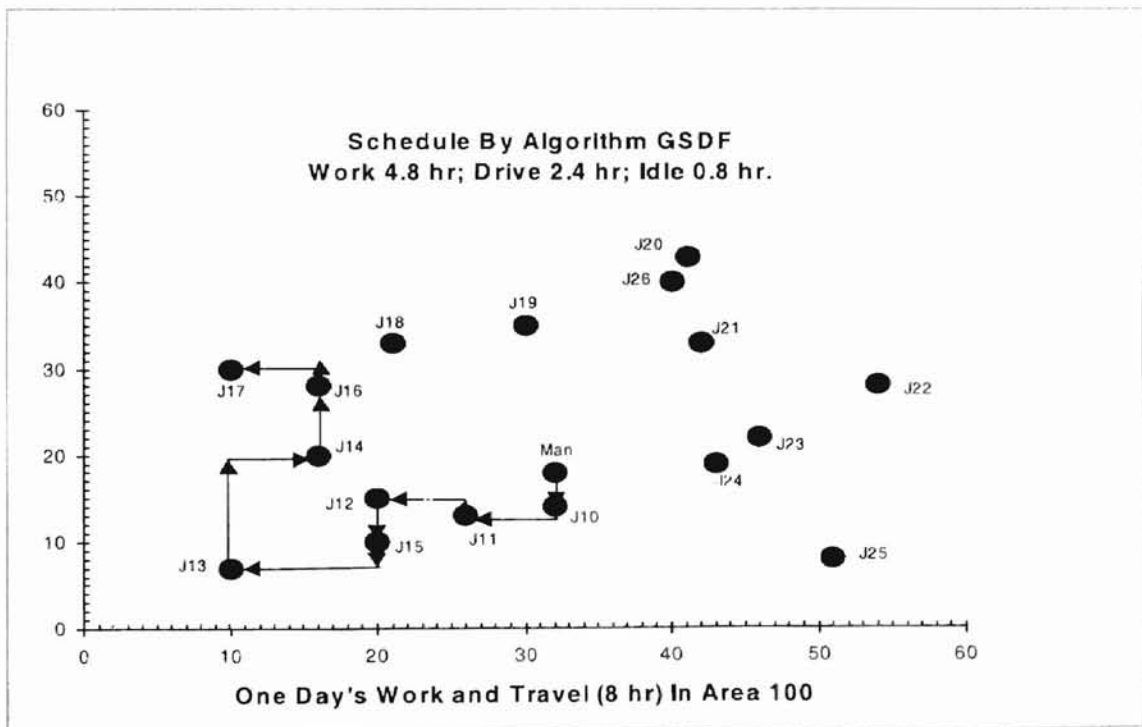


Fig.22 Possible Travel Route for Man 111 By GSDF

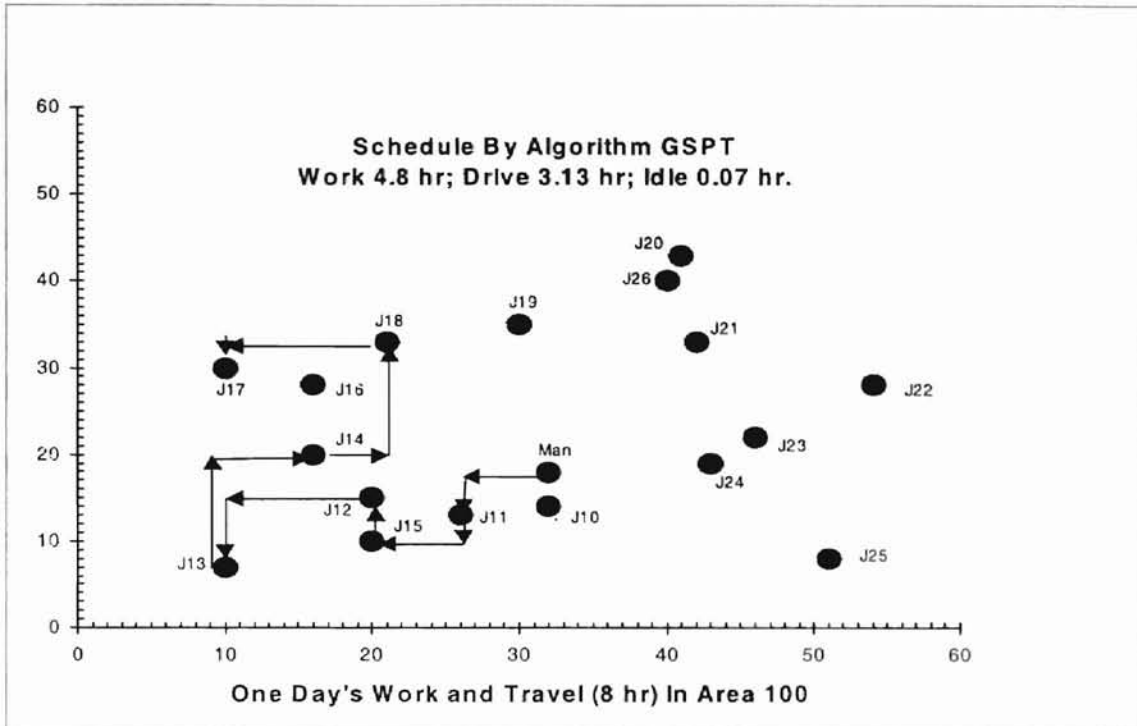


Fig. 23 Possible Travel Route for Man 111 By GSPT

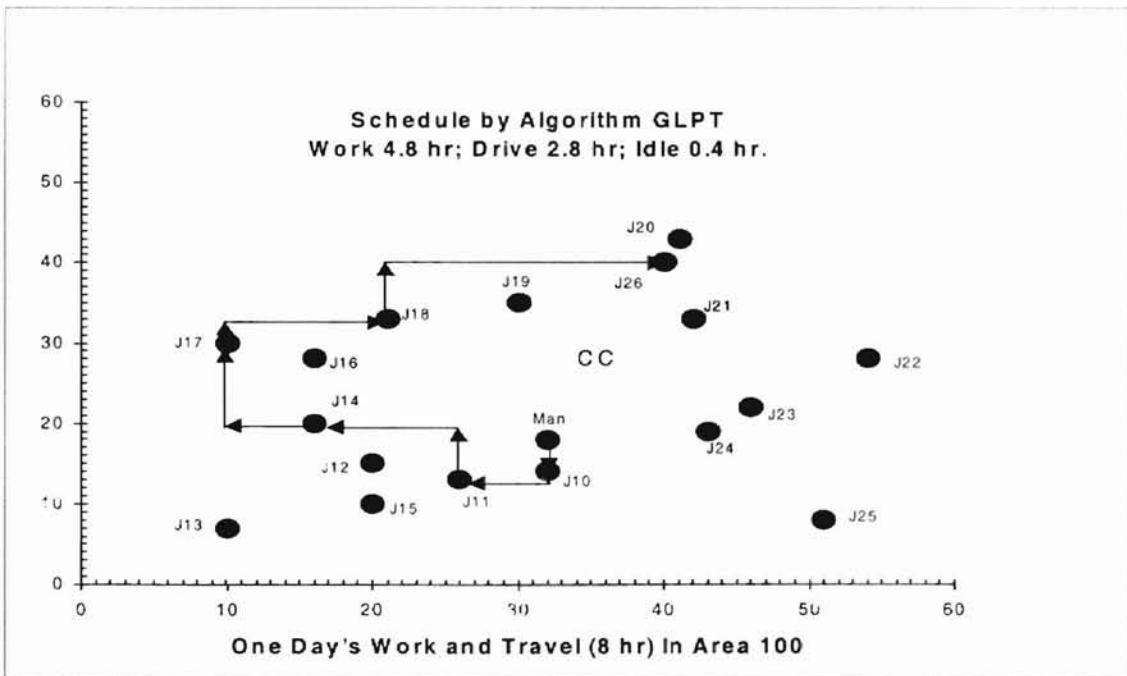


Fig. 24 Possible Travel Route For Man 111 By GLPT



2) After eight requests and assignments, the final applied travel routine (see Fig. 25) is none of the above six routines. The result is the combinatorial schedule automatically created by the system. The system chooses one job from the best schedule of the six each time when a technician requested a new job. Thus, the combinatorial schedule is formed. The final schedule is #10, #11, #12, #14, #16, #18, #21, #26. Among these jobs, #10, #11, #12, #16, #26 are chosen from the queue created by SDF, #18 from the queue created by GSDF, #14, and #21 from the queue created by GLPT. The work time is 5.25 hours, travel time is 2.53 hours, idle time is 0.22 hour. For a comparison bar chart see Fig. 26

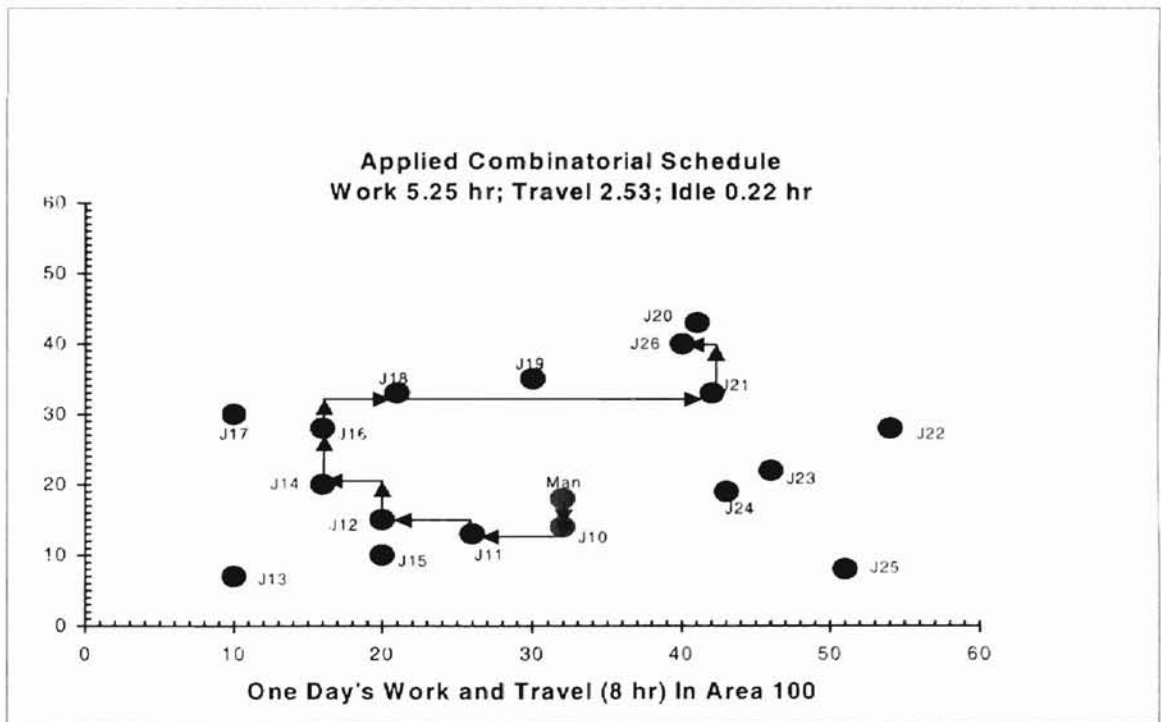


Fig. 25 Final Applied Travel Route for Man 111

### Comparison of Schedules For Man 111

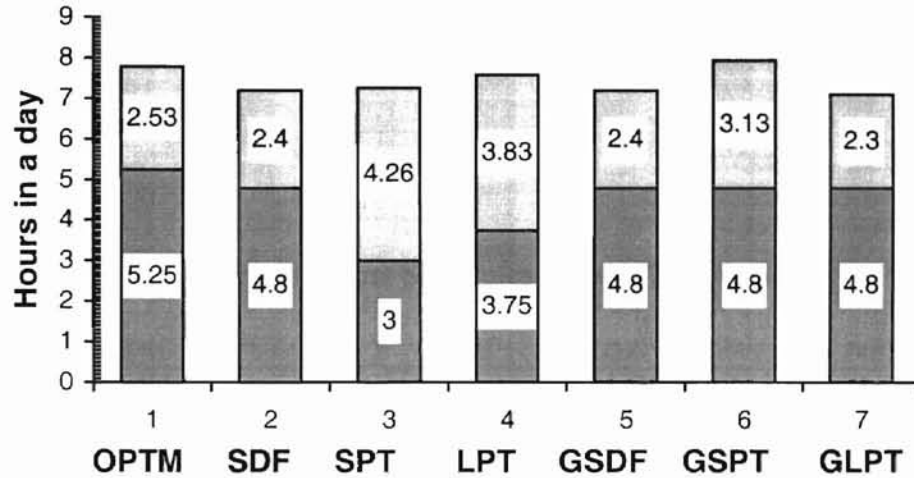


Fig. 26 Bar Chart of Total Work Time and Travel Time

Note: OPTM ---- Final Combinatorial Schedule.

SDF ---- Shortest Travel Distance First Schedule.

SPT ---- Shortest Process Time First Schedule.

LPT ---- Longest Process Time first Schedule.

GSDF ---- Genetic SDF Schedule.

GSPT ---- Genetic SPT Schedule.

GLPT ---- Genetic LPT Schedule.

Observing the above travel routes and the bar chart of schedule comparison, it is clear that a genetic algorithm plays a very important rule in optimizing schedules. In most cases, the final combinatorial schedule intelligently chooses a job from the queue optimized by a genetic algorithm although priority has not been given to these queues.

#### 3.3.2.2 An Eight Hour Day At Normal Jobs Of Long Duration

The typical day's work at normal jobs of long work time tests the performance of algorithm LPT. As expected, the final combinatorial schedule (OPTM) intelligently created a very good solution. By chance, the schedule created by OPTM and genetic LPT (GLPT) are the same. These six schedules are listed in Table 4. Comparison of work time and travel time see Fig 27.

Table 4. Eight-Hours Schedules for M222 In Area 200

Algorithm	Schedule	Work Time (hr)	Travel Time (hr)	No. of Jobs
SDF	#32,#35,#34, #36,#37, #38,#39,#40,#41	4.0	3.23	9
SPT	#31, #33, #35, #37, #38, #40, #43, #32	2.25	4.83	8
LPT	#47,#45,#42	4.75	1.77	3
GSDf	#45,#46,#47,#42	5.25	2.57	84
GSPT	#32,#35,#34,#41,#42,#45	4.75	3.13	6
GLPT	#47, #46, #45, #44, #42	5.75	2.03	5
OPTM	#47, #46, #45, #44, #42	5.75	2.03	5

### Comparison of Schedules For Man 222

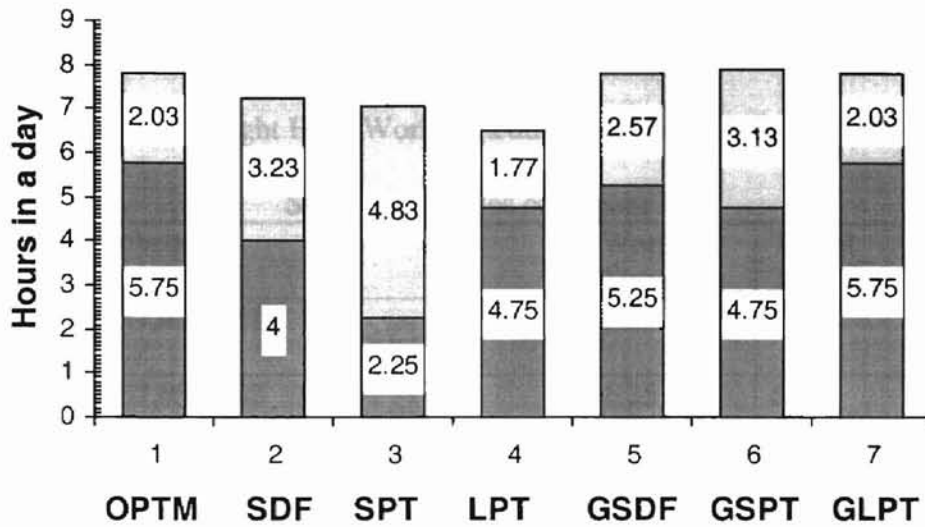


Fig. 27 Comparison of Work Time and Travel Time of Schedules For Man 222

#### 3.3.2.3 An Eight Hour Day At Normal And Urgent Jobs In Different Areas

In the following schedule, jobs #51, #52 and #57 are urgent jobs. The system schedules all urgent jobs first. See the Stage I Schedules of Urgent Job table for details. The OPTM schedule is the same as the SDF schedule. Thus, the total time for urgent jobs is 5.05 hours. When all urgent jobs are done, the technician still has 2.95 hours to work for the day. The system automatically turns to normal jobs. See the Stage II Schedule of Normal Job table. The normal jobs are scheduled in accordance with the remaining time of the technician. For work time comparison of schedules, see Figure 28, and for the final combinatorial travel route see Figure 29.

Table 5. Eight Hour Work Schedule For Man 111 In Area 300

Stage I Schedules of Urgent Jobs				
Algorithm	Schedule	Work Time (hr)	Travel Time (hr)	No. of Jobs
SDF	#57,#52,#51	1.25	3.8	3
SPT	#57,#51,#52	1.25	6.5	3
LPT	#51,#52,#57	1.25	4.5	3
GSDf	#57,#52,#51	1.25	3.8	3
GSPT	#57,#51,#52	1.25	6.5	3
GLPT	#51,#52,#57	1.25	4.5	3
OPTM	#57,#52,#51	1.25	3.8	3
Stage II Schedules of Normal Jobs				
SDF	#66,#59,#61	0.75	1.4	3
SPT	#55	0.25	2.2	1
LPT	#63	1.0	1.7	1
GSDf	#60,#65	1.5	1.13	2
GSPT	#60,#65	1.5	1.13	2
GLPT	#60,#65	1.5	1.13	2
OPTM	#60,#65	1.5	1.13	2

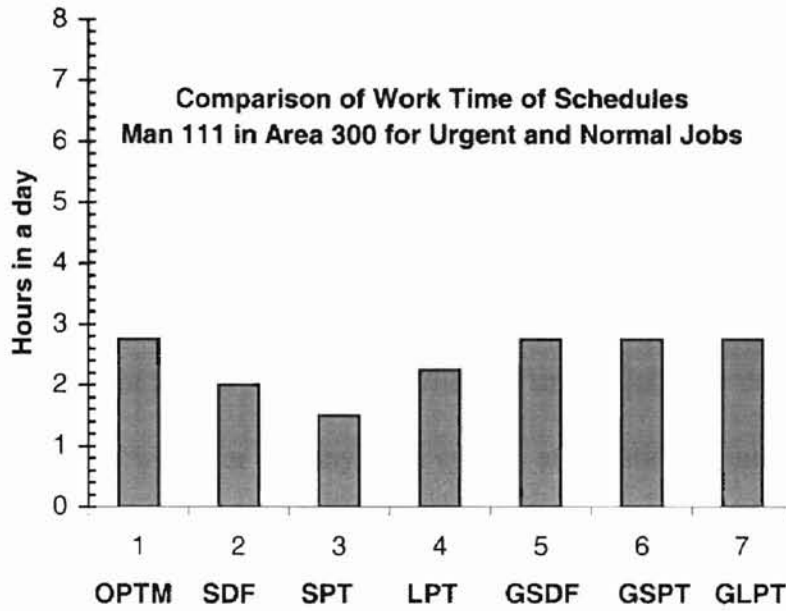


Fig. 28 Comparison Of Work Time for Man 111 in Area 300

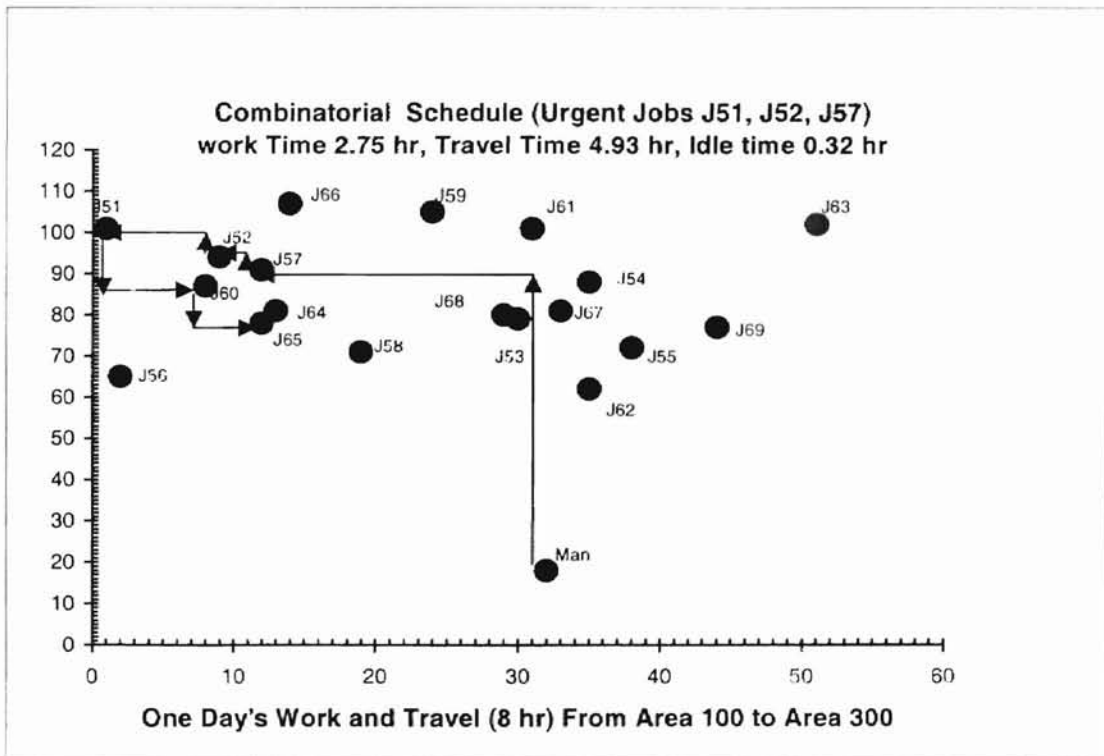


Fig. 29 Travel Route Of Man 111 From Area 100 To Area 300

### 3.3.2.4 An Eight Hour Day At Normal And Urgent Jobs In Area 400

In the following schedule, jobs #71, #72, #81 and #82 are urgent jobs. The system, as designed, schedules all urgent jobs first. See the Stage I Schedules of Urgent Job table for detail. The OPTM schedule is the same as the SDF schedule. Thus, the total time for urgent jobs is 5.05 hours. When all urgent jobs are done, the technician still has 2.95 hours to work for the day. The system automatically turns to normal jobs. See the Stage II Schedule of Normal Job table. The normal jobs are scheduled in accordance with the remaining time of the technician. For work time comparison of schedules, see Figure 30. For the final combinatorial travel route see Figure 31.

Table 6. Eight-Hour Work Schedule For Man 444 In Area 400

#### Stage I Schedules of Urgent Jobs

Algorithm	Schedule	Work Time (hr)	Travel Time (hr)	No. of Jobs
SDF	#82,#72,#81,#71	1.37	2.1	4
SPT	#81,#82,#72,#71	1.37	2.63	4
LPT	#71,#72,#82,#81	1.37	3.37	4
GSDF	#82,#72,#81,#71	1.37	2.1	4
GSPT	#81,#82,#72,#71	1.37	2.63	4
GLPT	#71,#72,#82,#81	1.37	3.37	4
OPTM	#82,#72,#81,#71	1.37	2.1	4

### Stage II Schedules of Normal Jobs

Algorithm	Schedule	Work Time (hr)	Travel Time (hr)	No. of Jobs
SDF	#88, #87, #80, #77, #75	2.25	2.17	5
SPT	#77, #86, #79	0.8	3.5	3
LPT	#85	0.85	2.2	1
GSDf	#88, #87, #80, #77, #75	2.25	2.17	5
GSPT	#88, #87, #77, #80, #75	2.25	2.17	5
GLPT	#88, #87, #77, #80, #75	2.25	2.17	5
OPTM	#88, #87, #80, #77, #75	2.25	2.17	5

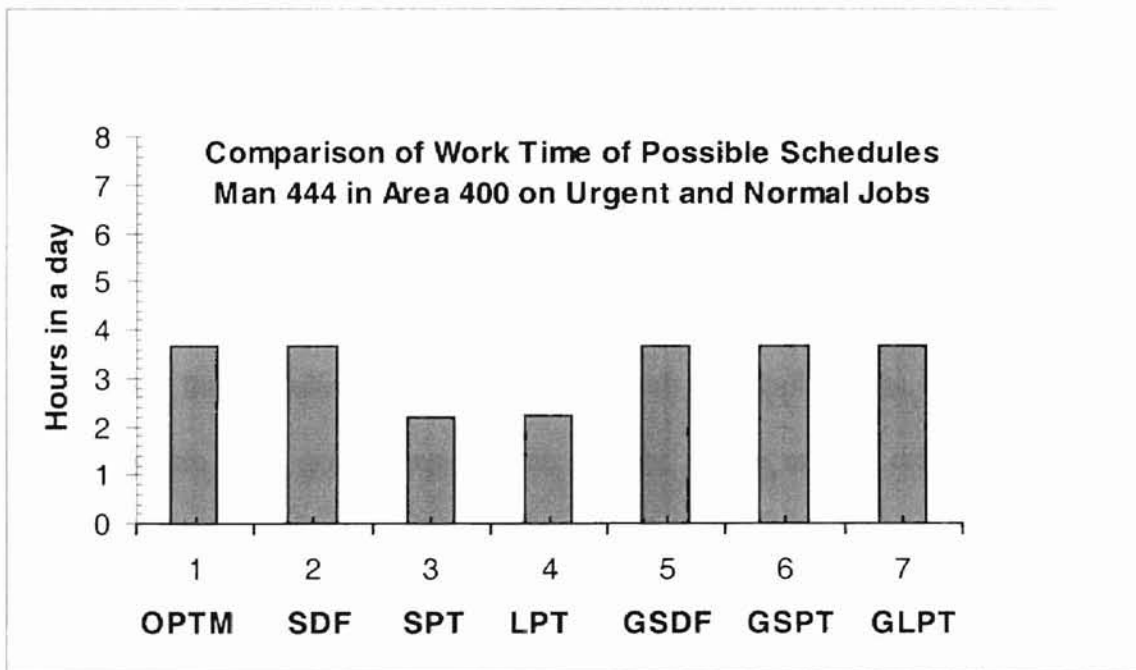




Fig. 30 Comparison Of Work Time for Man 444 in Area 400

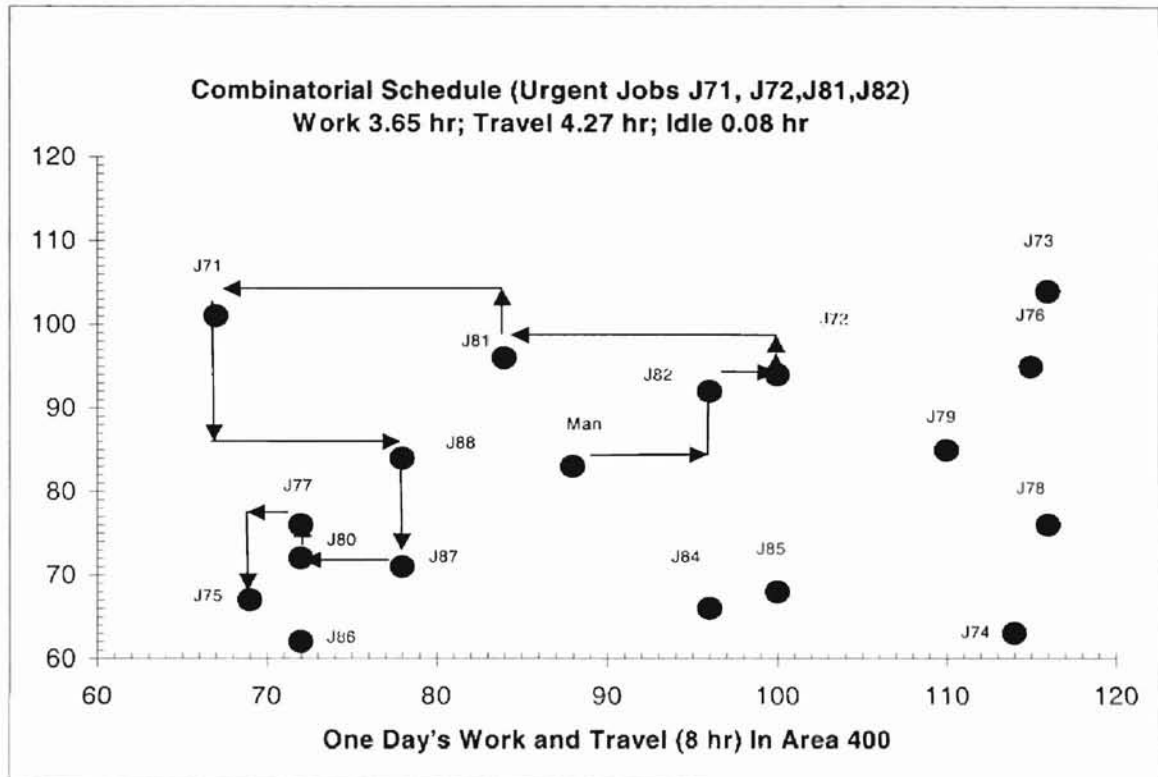


Fig. 31 Travel Route Of Man 444 In Area 400

### 3.3.3 Observation On The Empirical Application

From the preceding tables of schedules with four applications, we can see that the SDF algorithm only gives consideration to jobs in the nearest distance. Reasonable application of this algorithm will guarantee the shortest travel distance of a day's work, but not the maximum work time of the day. It occasionally schedules a technician with longer idle time or a considerable travel time. The SPT algorithm increases the number of

jobs in each schedule. It often schedules a technician with considerable travel distance and less actual work time. The LPT algorithm helps a technician to find jobs with the longest work hours. In turn, this algorithm often results in a situation where jobs with less work time are ignored in favor of jobs with longer duration; the final total work time doesn't increase much, but the travel time does.

The genetic algorithm has provided an unexpected contribution to the success of this combinatorial solution. It keeps a good schedule and continues to find a better chromosome to perfect the schedule. We can see the work time of schedules by GSDF, GSPT and GLPT is longer than that of SDF, SPT, and LPT. The travel time of queues by GSDF, GSPT, and GLPT is shorter than that of SDF, SPT, and LPT. In most cases, the final combinatorial schedule intelligently recognizes GSDF, GSPT, and GLPT. It chooses a job from these queues to create the final best schedule each time a technician requests a job, though priority has not been given to these queues.

## CHAPTER 4

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

The theory of scheduling is characterized by a virtually unlimited number of problem types. Most research has traditionally been concentrated on deterministic machine scheduling. This thesis emphasizes algorithms for scheduling non-interruptible tasks. Academics require algorithms to be theory-based and written in a mathematical fashion. In the real world the people who need them ask for plain explanation and simple examples. This thesis bridges the gap in communication. Different from other academic theses, this paper keeps the academic style of algorithms, explains them in basic language, and shows simple examples for each algorithm. A total of six types of problems and nineteen algorithms are covered in Chapter 2 to complete this survey.

As the world is accepting scheduling methods, people gradually find that most methods only give consideration to the dedicated conditions. The real world is too complicated. We need to simplify the real applied conditions and combine all possible algorithms to work out an solution. In Chapter 3, such an application is presented. The combinatorial solution successfully uses genetic algorithms to optimize approximately a schedule for the Shortest Process Time First (SPT) algorithm, Longest Process Time First (LPT) algorithm and Shortest Travel Distance First (SDF), and finally selects a job from the best queue of these six. The logic of this empirical application can be summarized in

one sentence: simplify the complicated, and optimize approximately the obtained. The advantage of this combinatorial method (OPTM) is that it always provides a very good solution according to the given conditions. The disadvantage is that genetic algorithms need a few seconds to do the calculation. As the practical job scheduling is carried out by the mobile laptop of the technician, the calculation has no influence on the CDS. Since the laptop is on most of the time, it doesn't bother the technician if it needs one extra second for calculation. So this OPTM is successful and applicable.

However, nothing is perfect in the real world. The OPTM can be further improved by building in penalty factors for the work time of each job selected, the number of jobs in each queue, the travel mileage, and the idle time. This work needs the cooperation of the user's financial advisors, production managers and experienced technicians.

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## APPENDIX A

### C PROGRAMMING CODE FOR COMBINATORIAL SCHEDULING NON-INTERRUPTIBLE TASKS

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<string.h>
#include<math.h>
#include<time.h>

#define TRUE 0
#define FALSE 1
#define EXSIZE 256 //array size
#define FULL 81 //array size
#define HALF 40 //array size
#define QUART 20 //array size
#define JOBHD 1 //a flag for job queue
#define MANHD 2 //a flag for technician queue
#define SPEED 30 //driving speed
#define REPRODUCTION 40320 //reproduction number

typedef struct TheJob{ //node for a job
    int JobID; //job identification number
    int ZipCode; //zip code
    char Type[QUART]; //job type
    char Status[QUART]; //job status
    float EWkTime; //estimated work time
    float AWkTime; //actual work time
    char DueDay[QUART]; //job due day
    char StTime[QUART]; //job start time
    char FinTime[QUART]; //job finish time
    char StDate[QUART]; //job start date
    char FinDate[QUART]; //job finish date
    char Address[FULL]; //job location
    int LocX; //job coordinate X
    int LocY; //job coordinate Y
    float Mileage; //driving mileage
    struct TheJob *next;
}TheJob;

typedef struct TheMan{ //node for a technician
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    int ManID;           //technician identification number
    int ZipCode;        //zip code
    char Name[QUART];   //name of technician
    char Address[FULL]; //technician home address
    char LoginTime[HALF]; //technician log in time
    char LogoutTime[HALF]; //technician log out time
    int LocX;           //technician start coordinate X
    int LocY;           //technician start coordinate Y
    float TwkTime;      //work time
    float Mileage;      //driving mileage
    struct TheMan *next;
}TheMan;

TheJob* JobHead=NULL; //head of job queue
TheJob* NewHead=NULL; //temp pointer
TheMan* ManHead=NULL; //head of technician queue
TheJob* UrgHead=NULL; //head of urgent job queue
TheJob* NomHead=NULL; //head of normal job queue

//functions used in this program

int AbsJulian(char*); //calculate Julian day numbers
int manageInput(); //filter out input like empty file, tab, space
void LinkJobs(TheJob*); //build job queue
void InputJob(); //put input job data to job node
void PrintJobs(TheJob*); //print input jobs
void LinkMan(TheMan*); //build technician queue
void InputMan(); //put input technician data to technician node
void PrintMan(); //print technician login information
void SortDueDay(int); //sort jobs by due day
int FindDueDay(); //find the due day of a job
void SetQueue(int*, int); //set a temp queue
void LinkMe(TheJob* ); //insert a job node into linked list
void DeleteMe(TheJob* ); //delete a job node from linked list
int TimeDuration(char*, char*, char*, char*); //calculate work duration
void JobDone(int, char*, char*); //mark job done
void ArriveOnSite(int, char*, char*); //mark technician arrives on site
void LogoutAccept(int); //check if log out is accepted
int IsNameinList(int); //check employee list
int LoginAccept(int); //check if log in is accepted
void ScheduleList(float, int); //build urgent and normal job lists
void FindUrgentJobs(TheJob*, float*, float, int); //pick out urgent jobs
void FindNormalJobs(TheJob*, float*, float, int); //pick out normal jobs
void NewJobList(TheJob* ); //To build urgent and normal job queues
int Scheduling(int*, float, int); //manage overall scheduling
int ScheduleJobs(TheJob*, int*, float, int); //do actual scheduling
void SetStartLocation(int, int); //reset start location
int SPTqueue(int*, float, int, int, int*); //by Shortest time first
int LPTqueue(int*, float, int, int); //by longest time first
int SDFqueue(int*, float, int, int); //by shortest distance first
int Genqueue(int*, float, int, int); //by genetic algorithm
int TravelDistance(int, int, int); //calculate travel distance
int TravelTime(int, int*, int*); //calculate travel time
void FindJobLocation(int, int*, int*); //find job location
int FindWkTime(int); //find work time
void FindManLocation(int, int*, int*); //find technician's location
void LinkNewMe(TheJob*); //building urgent or normal job queue

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void SetWkTime(int, int, float);           //record work time of a job
float getWktime(int);                     //fetch work time
void printTheJob(int, int *, int *);      //print job information
void printTheMan(int);                    //print technician's work report
void ChangeStatus(TheJob*, int);         //change job status
int IsZipCodeValid(int, int);            //check zip code validation
void printQueue(int*, float,int, int, FILE*); //print work summary

/*****
/*      Read input job data and store it to job node      */
/*****
void InputJob()
{
    FILE *fp;           //FILE pointer
    TheJob *JobPtr;
    char T[FULL];       //temp buffer
    char* str;          //character pointer
    int Jobcount=0;     //job counter

    if(( fp = fopen("JobX.dat","r")) == NULL){ //check input file
        printf("Input file could not be opened\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    JobPtr = ((TheJob*)malloc(sizeof (TheJob)));

    while((fgets(T, FULL, fp))!=NULL){ //read input data
        fgets(JobPtr->Address, FULL, fp); //get job location
        str = strtok(T, "~\n\0"); //get job ID
        JobPtr->JobID = atoi(str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get zip code
        JobPtr->ZipCode = atoi(str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get job type
        strcpy(JobPtr->Type, str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get job status
        strcpy(JobPtr->Status, str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get estimated work time
        JobPtr->EWkTime = atof(str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get job due day
        strcpy(JobPtr->DueDay, str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get coordinate X
        JobPtr->LocX = atoi(str);
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0"); //get coordinate Y
        JobPtr->LocY = atoi(str);
        JobPtr->AWkTime=0; //initialize actual work time
        JobPtr->Mileage=0; //initialize mileage
        strcpy(JobPtr->StTime, " "); //initialize start time
        strcpy(JobPtr->FinTime, " "); //initialize finish time
        strcpy(JobPtr->StDate, " "); //initialize start date
        strcpy(JobPtr->FinDate, " "); //initialize finish date
        JobPtr->next=NULL;
        LinkJobs(JobPtr); //insert job to linked list
        Jobcount++; //count input jobs
        JobPtr = ((TheJob*)malloc(sizeof (TheJob)));
    }
    fclose(fp);
    SortDueDay(Jobcount); //sort input job by due day
}

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    JobHead=NewHead;
    NewHead=NULL;
}

/*****
/*   Insert jobs into linked list   */
/*****
void LinkJobs(TheJob* Pt)
{
    TheJob* walk=NULL;    //pointer
    walk=JobHead;

    if(JobHead==NULL)
        JobHead=Pt;    //put job to head
    else{
        while(walk->next != NULL)//find the end of queue
            walk=walk->next;
        walk->next=Pt;
    }
}

/*****
/*   Print job assignment information when it is scheduled to   */
/*   the dedicated technician.   */
/*****
void printTheJob(int id, int *x, int *y)
{
    FILE* fp;    //input file pointer
    int t=0,d=0;
    TheJob* JobPtr;    //node pointer
    fp=fopen("fout", "a");
    JobPtr=JobHead;

    while(JobPtr->JobID!=id)    //find the scheduled job
        JobPtr=JobPtr->next;

    //get travel distance to the job
    d=abs(*x-(JobPtr->LocX))+abs(*y-(JobPtr->LocY));
    t=60*d/SPEED;

    printf("\nYou are to work on:");
    printf("job #%d.\n", JobPtr->JobID);
    printf("Job type:    %s\n", JobPtr->Type);
    printf("Job location: %s", JobPtr->Address);
    printf("Job due day:  %s\n", JobPtr->DueDay);
    printf("Estimated working time:    %2.2f hours.\n", JobPtr->
    EWkTime);
    printf("Estimated travel distance: %d miles.\n", d);
    printf("Estimated driving time:    %d minutes.\n", t);

    *x=JobPtr->LocX;
    *y=JobPtr->LocY;

    fprintf(fp, "%s", "/*\n");
    fprintf(fp, "%s", "\nYou are to work on:");
}

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fprintf(fp,"job #%d.\n", JobPtr->JobID);
fprintf(fp,"Job type:      %s\n", JobPtr->Type);
fprintf(fp,"Job location: %s", JobPtr->Address);
fprintf(fp,"Job due day:   %s\n", JobPtr->DueDay);
fprintf(fp,"Estimated working time:      %2.2f hours.\n", JobPtr->
EwkTime);
fprintf(fp,"Estimated travel distance: %d miles.\n", d);
fprintf(fp,"Estimated driving time:      %d minutes.\n", t);

fclose(fp);
}

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/*****
/*      Print a technician's work report
/*****

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void printTheMan(int id)
{
    FILE* fp;                //file pointer
    TheMan* ManPtr;
    fp=fopen("fout", "a");
    ManPtr=ManHead;
    while(ManPtr->ManID!=id)    //find the technician
        ManPtr=ManPtr->next;
    printf("Name:          %s\n", ManPtr->Name);
    printf("Employee ID:   %d\n", ManPtr->ManID);
    printf("From:          %s", ManPtr->Address);
    printf("Login time:      %s\n", ManPtr->LoginTime);
    printf("Logout time:     %s\n", ManPtr->LogoutTime);
    printf("Total actual working time:%2.2f hours\n", ManPtr->
    TWkTime/60);
    printf("Total driving mileage:%2.2f miles\n", ManPtr->Mileage);
    printf("Total time for today: %2.2f hours\n", ManPtr->
    TWkTime/60+ManPtr->Mileage/SPEED);

    fprintf(fp,"%s", "          FINAL REPORT\n");
    fprintf(fp,"%s", "*****\n");
    fprintf(fp,"Name:          %s\n", ManPtr->Name);
    fprintf(fp,"Employee ID:   %d\n", ManPtr->ManID);
    fprintf(fp,"From:          %s", ManPtr->Address);
    fprintf(fp,"Login time:      %s\n", ManPtr->LoginTime);
    fprintf(fp,"Logout time:     %s\n", ManPtr->LogoutTime);
    fprintf(fp,"Total working time:%2.2f hours\n", ManPtr->
    TWkTime/60);
    fprintf(fp,"Total driving mileage:%2.2f miles.\n", ManPtr->
    Mileage);
    fprintf(fp,"Total time for today: %2.2f hours\n", ManPtr->
    TWkTime/60+ManPtr->Mileage/SPEED);

    fclose(fp);
}

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/*****
/*      Record work time of a technician on a job
/*****
void SetWkTime(int jid, int mid, float tm)

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{
    TheMan* ManPtr;
    TheJob* JobPtr;
    ManPtr=ManHead;          //point to technician queue
    JobPtr=JobHead;          //point to job queue

    while(JobPtr->JobID!=jid)
        JobPtr=JobPtr->next;    //find job node

    tm=JobPtr->EWkTime;          //record work time
    JobPtr->AWkTime=tm;
    tm=tm*60;

    while(ManPtr->ManID!=mid)    //find the technician
        ManPtr=ManPtr->next;

    ManPtr->TWkTime=ManPtr->TWkTime + tm;//sum total work time
}

/*****
/*    Print all input jobs
*****/
void PrintJobs(TheJob* HD)
{
    FILE* fp;
    TheJob* JobPtr;
    fp=fopen("fout", "a");
    JobPtr=HD;

    if(JobPtr==NULL)
        return;

    while(JobPtr->next!=NULL){
        fprintf(fp,"JobID: %d \t", JobPtr->JobID);
        fprintf(fp,"ZipCode: %d \t", JobPtr->ZipCode);
        fprintf(fp,"Job Type: %s \t", JobPtr->Type);
        fprintf(fp,"Job Status: %s \n", JobPtr->Status);
        fprintf(fp,"Estimated work time: %2.2f \t", JobPtr->
EWkTime);
        fprintf(fp,"Actual work time: %2.2f \t", JobPtr->AWkTime);
        fprintf(fp,"Job Due Day: %s \n", JobPtr->DueDay);
        fprintf(fp,"Job start time: %s \t", JobPtr->StTime);
        fprintf(fp,"Job complete time time: %s \n", JobPtr->
FinTime);
        fprintf(fp,"Job start date time: %s \t", JobPtr->StDate);
        fprintf(fp,"Job complete date %s \n", JobPtr->FinDate);
        fprintf(fp,"Locatin X: %d \t", JobPtr->LocX);
        fprintf(fp,"Location Y: %d \n", JobPtr->LocY);
        fprintf(fp,"Address: %s \n", JobPtr->Address);
        JobPtr=JobPtr->next;
    }
    fprintf(fp,"JobID: %d \t", JobPtr->JobID);
    fprintf(fp,"ZipCode: %d \t", JobPtr->ZipCode);
    fprintf(fp,"Job Type: %s \t", JobPtr->Type);
    fprintf(fp,"Job Status: %s \n", JobPtr->Status);
    fprintf(fp,"Estimated work time: %2.2f \t", JobPtr->EWkTime);
    fprintf(fp,"Actual work time: %2.2f \t", JobPtr->AWkTime);
}

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fprintf(fp,"Job Due Day: %s \n", JobPtr->DueDay);
fprintf(fp,"Job start time: %s \t", JobPtr->StTime);
fprintf(fp,"Job complete time time: %s \n", JobPtr->FinTime);
fprintf(fp,"Job start date time: %s \t", JobPtr->StDate);
fprintf(fp,"Job complete date %s \n", JobPtr->FinDate);
fprintf(fp,"Locatin X: %d \t", JobPtr->LocX);
fprintf(fp,"Location Y: %d \n", JobPtr->LocY);
fprintf(fp,"Address: %s \n", JobPtr->Address);
fclose(fp);
}

/*****
/* read technician information and store it to technician node */
*****/
void InputMan()
{
    FILE *fp;
    TheMan *ManPtr;
    char T[FULL]; //temp buffer
    char* str;

    if(( fp = fopen("Man.dat","r")) == NULL){//check input file
        printf("Input file could not be opened\n");
        exit(1);
    }

    ManPtr = ((TheMan*)malloc(sizeof (TheMan)));
    fgets(T, FULL, fp);

    while(!fgets(ManPtr->Address, FULL, fp)!=NULL){
        str = strtok(T, "~\n\0"); //get technician address
        strcpy(ManPtr->Name, str); //get technician name
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0");
        ManPtr->ManID = atoi(str); //get technician ID number
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0");
        ManPtr->ZipCode = atoi(str); //get technician zip code
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0");
        ManPtr->LocX = atoi(str); //get technician coordinate X
        str = strtok(NULL, "~\n\0");
        ManPtr->LocY= atoi(str); //get technician coordinate Y
        strcpy(ManPtr->LoginTime, " "); //initialize login time
        strcpy(ManPtr->LogoutTime, " "); //initialize logout time
        ManPtr->TWkTime=0; //initialize total work time
        ManPtr->Mileage=0; //initialize driving mileage
        ManPtr->next=NULL;
        LinkMan(ManPtr); //put technician to linked list
        ManPtr = ((TheMan*)malloc(sizeof (TheMan)));
        fgets(T, FULL, fp); //get the first line to Buffer T;
    }
    fclose(fp);
}

/*****
/* Insert a technician node to linked list */
*****/

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void LinkMan(TheMan* Pt)
{
    TheMan* walk=NULL;
    walk=ManHead;

    if (ManHead==NULL)
        ManHead=Pt;
    else{
        while(walk->next != NULL)    //find the node
            walk=walk->next;
        walk->next=Pt;                //insert it to the list
    }
}

}

/*****
/*   Print all technicians who have been registered   */
/*****
void PrintMan()
{
    FILE* fp;
    TheMan* ManPtr;
    ManPtr=ManHead;

    fp=fopen("fout", "a");
    fprintf(fp, "%s", "        ALL TECHNICIANS ON THE LIST\n");
    fprintf(fp, "%s", " /*****\n");

    while (ManPtr->next!=NULL){
        fprintf(fp, "Name: %s \t", ManPtr->Name);
        fprintf(fp, "ManID: %d \t", ManPtr->ManID);
        fprintf(fp, "ZipCode: %d \n", ManPtr->ZipCode);
        fprintf(fp, "Login Time: %s \t", ManPtr->LoginTime);
        fprintf(fp, "Logout Time: %s \n", ManPtr->LogoutTime);
        fprintf(fp, "Total work time: %s \n", ManPtr->TWkTime);
        fprintf(fp, "Driving Mileage: %s \n", ManPtr->Mileage);
        fprintf(fp, "LocX: %d \t", ManPtr->LocX);
        fprintf(fp, "LocY: %d \n", ManPtr->LocY);
        fprintf(fp, "Address: %s \n", ManPtr->Address);
        ManPtr=ManPtr->next;
    }
    fprintf(fp, "Name: %s \t", ManPtr->Name);
    fprintf(fp, "ManID: %d \t", ManPtr->ManID);
    fprintf(fp, "ZipCode: %d \n", ManPtr->ZipCode);
    fprintf(fp, "Login Time: %s \t", ManPtr->LoginTime);
    fprintf(fp, "Logout Time: %s \n", ManPtr->LogoutTime);
    fprintf(fp, "Total work time: %s \n", ManPtr->TWkTime);
    fprintf(fp, "Driving Mileage: %s \n", ManPtr->Mileage);
    fprintf(fp, "LocX: %d \t", ManPtr->LocX);
    fprintf(fp, "LocY: %d \n", ManPtr->LocY);
    fprintf(fp, "Address: %s \n", ManPtr->Address);

    fclose(fp);
}

/*****

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/* Calculate Julian day numbers */
/*****
int AbsJulian(char* MDY)
{
    int M;           //month
    int D;           //day
    int Y;           //year
    int ndim[13];   //number of days in a month
    int Lpyrs;      //leap year
    int days;
    int d=0;
    char* str;
    char DD[QUART];
    ndim[1]=0;      //number of days at the beginning of a month
    ndim[2]=31;     //Feburary
    ndim[3]=59;     //March
    ndim[4]=90;     //April
    ndim[5]=120;    //May
    ndim[6]=151;    //June
    ndim[7]=181;    //July
    ndim[8]=212;    //August
    ndim[9]=243;    //September
    ndim[10]=273;   //October
    ndim[11]=304;   //November
    ndim[12]=334;   //December

    strcpy(DD, MDY);
    str=strtok(DD, "\\0\\n");
    M=atoi(str);   //get month number
    str=strtok(NULL, "\\0\\n");
    D=atoi(str);   //get day number
    str=strtok(NULL, "\\0\\n");
    Y=atoi(str);   //get year number

    if(Y >= 2000)
        Y=(Y-2000)+100;
    else{
        if(Y>1900)
            Y=Y-1900;
    }

    if(Y<95)
        Y=Y+100;

    Lpyrs=(Y/4);

    if(M<=2)
        D=D-1;

    days=(Y/2)*365 + (Y/2)*365 + Lpyrs + ndim[M] + D;

    return days;
}

/*****
/* Sort input jobs in job queue according to their due days */
/*****

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void SortDueDay(int num)
{
    TheJob *walk, *Ptr, *Head=NULL;
    int queue[EXSIZE];    //job queue
    int i=0;

    //put job ID in queue to represent the job, sort jobs in due day
    SetQueue(queue, num);

    while(num!=0){ //put jobs in linked list in sorted order
        walk=Ptr=JobHead;
        while(walk->JobID!=queue[i])
            walk=walk->next;

        LinkMe(walk);
        DeleteMe(walk);
        i++;
        num--;
    }

    JobHead=NewHead;
}

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/*****
/*    Insert a job node into new scheduled linked list    */
/*****

```

```

void LinkMe(TheJob* Pt)
{
    TheJob* walk=NULL;
    walk=NewHead;

    if(walk==NULL)
        NewHead=Pt;
    else{
        while(walk->next!=NULL)
            walk=walk->next;
        walk->next=Pt;
    }
}

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/*****
/*    Delete a job node from linked list    */
/*****

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```

void DeleteMe(TheJob* Pt)
{
    TheJob* walk=NULL;
    walk=JobHead;

    if(Pt==JobHead&&Pt->next==NULL)
        JobHead=NULL;

    else if(Pt==JobHead&&Pt->next!=NULL){
        JobHead=Pt->next;
        Pt->next=NULL;
    }
}

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else(
    while(walk->next!=Pt)//find the job
        walk=walk->next;

    walk->next=Pt->next;
    Pt->next=NULL;
}
}

/*****
/*   Rebuild temporary queue according to due day   */
/*****
void SetQueue(int* Q, int cnt)
{
    TheJob *walk;
    int dueday=0;    //due day
    int i=0, j=0;
    int id=0;        //job ID
    walk=JobHead;

    //put JobID to queue array
    while(walk->next!=NULL){
        Q[i++]=walk->JobID;
        walk=walk->next;
    }
    Q[i++]=walk->JobID;

    for(i=1; i<cnt; i++){
        dueday=FindDueDay(Q[i]);    //find job due day
        id=Q[i];
        for(j=i; j>0 && FindDueDay(Q[j-1])>dueday; j--)
            Q[j]=Q[j-1];    //sort job queue by due day

        Q[j]=id;
    }
}

/*****
/*   Find job due day from list, return due day in Julian day number   */
/*****
int FindDueDay(int JID)
{
    TheJob *walk;
    int dueday=0;    //job due day
    walk=JobHead;

    while(walk->JobID!=JID)
        walk=walk->next;    //find the job

    dueday=AbsJulian(walk->DueDay);    //get Julian day number

    return dueday;
}

/*****

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/* Collect jobs from job list for today and call to build urgent */
/* job queue and normal job queue. */
/*****/
void ScheduleList(float hr, int Zcd)
{
    TheJob* walk;
    float Jhr=0;    //work hour of a job
    walk=JobHead;

    FindUrgentJobs(walk, &Jhr, hr, Zcd);
    FindNormalJobs(walk, &Jhr, hr, Zcd);
}

/*****/
/*Check and make sure urgent jobs will be scheduled first. Normal */
/*jobs will not be scheduled unless urgent job queue is empty. Report*/
/*a technician's start location if he has enough time to work on a */
/* well scheduled job. */
/*****/
int Scheduling(int* Sch, float hr, int mid)
{
    int urgent=TRUE;
    int normal=TRUE;
    int I;
    int x,y;    //x and Y coordinates
    int t;    //work time
    TheJob *walk=NULL;
    walk=UrgHead;
    x=y=t=i=0;

    for(i=0; i<QUART; i++) //initialize schedule array
        Sch[i]=0;

    if(walk==NULL) //check if urgent queue is empty
        urgent=FALSE;
    if(walk!=NULL) //schedule jobs in urgent queue first
        urgent=ScheduleJobs(walk, Sch, hr, mid);
    if(urgent==FALSE){
        walk=NomHead; //else schedule normal jobs
        normal=ScheduleJobs(walk, Sch, hr, mid);
    }
    if(normal==FALSE){ //if no job is available, exit scheduling
        printf("No job in this area is available by now.\n");
        printf("You can quit here and request jobs in near by
        area.\n");
        return FALSE;
    }
    if(Sch[0]!=0){ //if jobs are well scheduled,
        FindManLocation(mid, &x, &y); //start job dispatching
        t=FindWkTime(Sch[0]); //find estimated work time of the job
        t=t+TravelTime(Sch[0], &x, &y); //find travel time

        //check if a technician have enough time to work on the job
        if{(hr*60)<t){
            printf("No job can be completed in %2.2f hour\n", hr);
            printf("You can go home now. See you tomorrow.\n");
        }
    }
}

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        return FALSE;
    }

    //if he does have enough time, report his start location
    SetStartLocation(Sch[0], mid);
}
return TRUE;
}

/*****
/*Schedule jobs by shortest work time first, longest work time first*/
/*and shortest travel distance first respectively. Reschedule these */
/*three queues by genetic algorithm. Find the best schedule from .. */
/* these six queues and print out the solution. */
*****/
int ScheduleJobs(TheJob* Jobhd, int* Sch, float hr, int mid)
{
    FILE* fp;
    int SPT[HALF]; //shortest work time first queue
    int LPT[HALF]; //longest work time first queue
    int SDF[HALF]; //shortest travel distance first queue
    int GSPT[HALF]; //SPT queue rescheduled by genetic algorithm
    int GLPT[HALF]; //LPT queue rescheduled by genetic algorithm
    int GSDF[HALF]; //SDF queue rescheduled by genetic algorithm
    int SUM[HALF]; //array to store work time of above six queues
    int i, s;
    int cnt; //job counter
    int max; //maximum work time
    int f=TRUE; //flag
    int *ptr=NULL;
    TheJob *walk;
    walk=Jobhd;

    fp=fopen("fout", "a");
    s=cnt=i=max=0; //initialize variables

    while(walk->next!=NULL) { //make sure jobs have not been done yet
        if(strcmp(walk->Status, "New")==0)
            SPT[i]=LPT[i]=SDF[i++]=walk->JobID;
        walk=walk->next;
    }

    if(strcmp(walk->Status, "New")==0)
        SPT[i]=LPT[i]=SDF[i++]=walk->JobID;
    cnt=s; //count number of jobs scheduled

    if(cnt==0)
        return FALSE;
    //build shortest distance first queue and return total work time
    SUM[0]=SDFqueue(SDF, hr, cnt, mid);
    //build shortest work time first queue and return total work time
    SUM[1]=SPTqueue(SPT, hr, cnt, mid, &f);
    //build longest work time first queue and return total work time
    SUM[2]=LPTqueue(LPT, hr, cnt, mid);

    walk=Jobhd;

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i=0;
while(walk->next!=NULL){
    if(strcmp(walk->Status, "New")==0){
        GSPT[i]=SPT[i]; //copy jobs from SPT to GSPT queue
        GLPT[i]=LPT[i]; //copy jobs from LPT to GLPT queue
        GSDF[i]=SDF[i++]; //copy jobs from SDF to GSDF queue
    }
    walk=walk->next;
}

if(strcmp(walk->Status, "New")==0){
    GSPT[i]=SPT[i];
    GLPT[i]=LPT[i];
    GSDF[i]=SDF[i++];
}
//build GSDF queue by genetic algorithm, return total work time
SUM[3]=Genqueue(GSDF, hr, cnt, mid);
//build GSPT queue by genetic algorithm, return total work time
SUM[4]=Genqueue(GSPT, hr, cnt, mid);
//build GLPT queue by genetic algorithm, return total work time
SUM[5]=Genqueue(GLPT, hr, cnt, mid);

max=SUM[0];
for(i=0; i<6; i++){//find the best schedule from these six queues
    if(max<SUM[i]){
        max=SUM[i];
        s=i;
    }
}

if(f==FALSE)
    s=0;

switch(s){
    case 0: ptr=SDF; break;
    case 1: ptr=SPT; break;
    case 2: ptr=LPT; break;
    case 3: ptr=GSDF; break;
    case 4: ptr=GSPT; break;
    case 5: ptr=GLPT; break;
}

//copy the best schedule selected to current working schedule
for(i=0; i< cnt; i++){
    Sch[i]=ptr[i];
    if((i+1)%8==0)
        printf("\n");
}

//print final selected best schedule
fprintf(fp, "POSSIBLE SCHEDULES FOR THE EXPECTED %2.0f MINUTES\n",
hr*60);
fprintf(fp, "%s", " /*****\n");

if(SDF[0]!=0){
fprintf(fp, "%s", "Shortest Distance First(SDF) Schedule:\n");
printf("Shortest Distance First(SDF) Schedule:\n");
}

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        printQueue(SDF, hr, cnt, mid, fp);
    }
    if(SPT[0]!=0){
        fprintf(fp,"%s","Shortest Processing Time First(SPT)
Schedule:\n");
        printf("Shortest Processing Time First(SPT) Schedule:\n");
        printQueue(SPT, hr, cnt, mid, fp);
    }
    if(LPT[0]!=0){
        fprintf(fp,"%s","Longest Processing Time first(LPT)
Schedule:\n");
        printf("Longest Processing Time first(LPT) Schedule:\n");
        printQueue(LPT, hr, cnt, mid, fp);
    }
    if(GSDF[0]!=0){
        fprintf(fp,"%s","SDF Schedule Optimized by Genetic
Algorithm:\n");
        printf("SDF Schedule Optimized by Genetic Algorithm:\n");
        printQueue(GSDF, hr, cnt, mid,fp);
    }
    if(GSPT[0]!=0){
        fprintf(fp,"%s","SPT Schedule Optimized by Genetic
Algorithm\n");
        printf("SPT Schedule Optimized by Genetic Algorithm\n");
        printQueue(GSPT, hr, cnt, mid,fp);
    }
    if(GLPT[0]!=0){
        fprintf(fp,"%s","LPT Schedule Optimized by Genetic
Algorithm\n");
        printf("LPT Schedule Optimized by Genetic Algorithm\n");
        printQueue(GLPT, hr, cnt, mid,fp);
    }
    fclose(fp);
    return TRUE;
}

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/*****
/*Print the summary information of the best scheduling solution.  */
/*****

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void printQueue(int* T, float hr, int cnt, int mid, FILE* fp)

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{
    float Total;        //total work time
    float Wktime;       //work time
    float Trtime;       //travel time
    float t1, t2, t3;  //temporary variable for times
    int i;
    int sx, sy;         //coordinates x and y
    int min;            //minutes
    TheMan* step;
    step=ManHead;
    Total=Wktime=Trtime=t1=t2=t3=i=sx=sy=min=0;

    while(step->ManID!=mid)
        step=step->next;

    sx=step->LocX;

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sy=step->LocY;
min=60*hr;

//cal. the total work and total travel time of jobs in the queue
while(t3<min && i<cnt){
    Wktime=Wktime+FindWkTime(T[i]);
    Trtime=Trtime+TravelTime(T[i], &sx, &sy);
    t3=Wktime+Trtime;
    if(t3>min)
        break;
    printf("#%d, ",T[i]);
    fprintf(fp,"#%d, ",T[i++]);
    t1=Wktime;
    t2=Trtime;
    Total=t1+t2;
}
if(t3>min){
    Wktime=t1;
    Trtime=t2;
}

//print the summary of the best queue
printf("\nwork time: %2.0f min.; ", Wktime);
printf("travel time: %2.0f min.; ", Trtime);
printf("total %d jobs.\n", i);
fprintf(fp,"\nwork time: %2.0f min.; ", Wktime);
fprintf(fp,"travel time: %2.0f min.; ", Trtime);
fprintf(fp,"total %d jobs.\n", i);
}

/*****
/*Reset a technician's start location when he arrives at a job site.*/
*****/
void SetStartLocation(int jid, int mid)
{
    float miles=0;
    TheMan* Mptr;
    TheJob* Jptr;
    Mptr=ManHead;
    Jptr=JobHead;
    while(Mptr->ManID!=mid)
        Mptr=Mptr->next;
    while(Jptr->JobID!=jid) //find the job
        Jptr=Jptr->next;
    miles=abs(Mptr->LocX-Jptr->LocX) + abs(Mptr->LocY-Jptr->LocY);
    Jptr->Mileage=miles; //get mileage
    Mptr->Mileage=Mptr->Mileage+miles;

    Mptr->LocX=Jptr->LocX; //reset the technician's start location
    Mptr->LocY=Jptr->LocY;
}

/*****
/*Reschedule jobs by genetic algorithm. In a reproduction loop, two */
/*random numbers are generated, jobs in the positions of these two */
/*numbers are swapped, total work time of jobs in the queue is */

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/*calculated. The best schedule is picked out and kept from each loop*/
/*****
int Genqueue(int* PT, float hr, int cnt, int mid)
{
    int sx=0, sy=0;    //coordinates x and y
    int wt=0, wt1=0, wt2=0; //work time
    int min=0;        //minutes
    int k=0;
    int len;          //number of jobs
    int total=0;      //total work time
    int r=0,i=0, j=0, tp=0, m=0;
    int temp[HALF];
    TheMan* step;
    step=ManHead;
    for(j=0; j<cnt; j++)
        temp[j]=PT[j];
    while(step->ManID!=mid)    //find the man's work location
        step=step->next;
    sx=step->LocX;
    sy=step->LocY;
    min=(hr*60);

    while(total<min && k < cnt){
        wt2=wt1;
        wt1=wt1+FindWkTime(PT[k]);    //get total work time
        total=total+FindWkTime(PT[k])+TravelTime(PT[k++], &sx,&sy);
    }

    m=REPRODUCTION;
    wt1=wt2;
    if(cnt==1)
        return;
    len=cnt-1;

    while(m--!=0){    //reproduction loop
        r=(rand() % len); //get random numbers
        i=((rand()) % len);

        tp=temp[r];    //swap jobs in the pos. of these numbers
        temp[r]=temp[i];
        temp[i]=tp;

        total=k=wt2=0;    //initialize variables
        sx=step->LocX;    //get the new start location
        sy=step->LocY;

        while(total<min && k <cnt){    //calculate total work time
            wt=wt2;
            wt2=wt2+FindWkTime(temp[k]);
            total=total+FindWkTime(temp[k])+TravelTime(temp[k++],
            &sx,&sy);
        }
        if( wt1<wt){//pick out the best from this reproduction
            for(j=0; j<cnt; j++)
                PT[j]=temp[j];
            wt1=wt;
        }
    }
}

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    }
    return wtl;
}

/*****
/*Reschedule jobs in the order of their travel distance from
/*the technician's start location. Jobs of shortest distance first.*/
*****/
int SDFqueue(int* SDF, float hr, int cnt, int mid)
{
    int i,j,k,n;
    int min;           //minutes
    int wt,wtl;       //work time
    int sx,sy;        //job coordinates x and y
    int dl,d2,total,jid,m;
    int x,y;          //technician coordinates x and y
    int tp[HALF], tpl[HALF]; //temporary buffer
    TheMan* step;
    step=ManHead;
    I=j=id=k=sx=sy=min=n=wtl=d1=d2=total=wt=x=y=jid=m=0;

    while(step->ManID!=mid)
        step=step->next; //find technician's start location
    x=step->LocX;
    y=step->LocY;

    for(i=0; i<cnt; i++)
        tp[i]=tpl[i]=SDF[i]; //put jobs in temp array

    i=j=cnt;
    jid=tp[0];
    while(n<cnt){ //sort jobs in order of travel distance
        dl=TravelDistance(jid, x, y);
        while(j--!=0){
            if(tp[j]!=0){
                d2=TravelDistance(tp[j], x, y);
                if(d2<d1){
                    d1=d2;
                    jid=tp[j];
                }
            }
        }
        }

    FindJobLocation(jid, &x, &y);
    SDF[n++]=jid;
    for(m=0; m<cnt; m++)
        if(tp[m]==jid)
            tp[m]=0;
    jid=0;
    for(m=0; m<cnt; m++)
        if(tp[m]!=0)
            jid=tp[m];
    j=cnt;
}
x=sx=step->LocX;
y=sy=step->LocY;

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min=(hr*60);
m=n=0;
while(total<min && k<cnt){           //calculate total work time
    wt=wt1;                          //and travel time of jobs
    n=FindWkTime(SDF[k]);            //in this queue
    m=TravelTime(SDF[k++], &sx,&sy);
    wt1=wt1+n;
    total=total+n+m;
}
return wt;
}

/*****
/*Calculate the travel distance from the technician's start location*/
/* to a job. */
*****/
int TravelDistance(int id, int x, int y)
{
    int EX,EY; //job coordinates x and y;
    int d;     //distance
    int dx,dy; //relative distance in direction x and y
    EX=EY=d=dx=dy=0;

    FindJobLocation(id, &EX, &EY); //find job location

    dx=abs(EX-x); //calculate distance
    dy=abs(EY-y);
    d=dx+dy;

    return d;
}

/*****
/* Search job queue to find job location by a given job ID */
*****/
void FindJobLocation(int id, int*EX, int*EY)
{
    TheJob *walk;
    walk=JobHead;
    if(id==0)
        return;

    while(walk->JobID!=id)
        walk=walk->next;

    *EX=walk->LocX;
    *EY=walk->LocY;
}

/*****
/*Reschedule jobs in order of actual work time. Jobs of longest */
/* work time first. */
*****/
int LPTqueue(int* LPT, float hr, int cnt, int mid)
{
    int i,j,k;

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int min,t,total,wt,wt1;//work time
int id;          //job ID
int sx,sy       //technician coordinates x and y
TheMan* step;
step=ManHead;
I=j=id=k=sx=sy=min=t=total=wt=wt1=0;

while(step->ManID!=mid)
    step=step->next; //find technician's location

sx=step->LocX;
sy=step->LocY;

for(i=1; i<cnt; i++){ //reschedule jobs in order of work time
    t=FindWkTime(LPT[i]);
    id=LPT[i];

    for(j=i; j>0 && FindWkTime(LPT[j-1])<t; j--){
        LPT[j]=LPT[j-1];
    }

    LPT[j]=id;
}

min=hr*60;
while(total<min && k<cnt){ //calculate work and travel time
    wt=wt1; //of the rescheduled queue
    wt1=wt1+FindWkTime(LPT[k]);
    total=total+FindWkTime(LPT[k])+TravelTime(LPT[k++],
&sx,&sy);
}

return wt;
}

/*****
/*Reschedule jobs in order of their actual work time. Jobs of
/*shortest work time first.
*****/
int SPTqueue(int* SPT, float hr, int cnt, int mid, int* f)
{
    int i,j,k;
    int id; //job ID
    int sx,sy; //job coordinates x and y
    int t,total,wt,wt1,min;//work time
    TheMan* step;
    step=ManHead;
    I=j=id=k=sx=sy=min=t=total=wt=wt1=0;

    while(step->ManID!=mid)
        step=step->next; //find technician's location
    sx=step->LocX;
    sy=step->LocY;

    for(i=1; i<cnt; i++){ //reschedule jobs
        t=FindWkTime(SPT[i]);
        id=SPT[i];

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        for(j=i; j>0 && FindWkTime(SPT[j-1])>t; j--)
            SPT[j]=SPT[j-1];
        SPT[j]=id;
    }

    min=(hr*60);
    while(total<min && k<cnt){ //calculate total work time
        wt=wt1; //and travel time of the
        //rescheduled queue
        wt1=wt1+FindWkTime(SPT[k]);
        total=total+FindWkTime(SPT[k])+TravelTime(SPT[k++],
        &sx,&sy);
    }

    if(total < min)
        *f=FALSE;
    return wt;
}

/*****
/*Calculate travel time from a technician to a job. */
*****/
int TravelTime(int id, int* sx, int* sy)
{
    int EX,EY; //job coordinates x and y
    int t; //work time
    int dx,dy; //relative distance in direction of x and y
    EX=EY=t=dx=dy=0;

    FindJobLocation(id, &EX, &EY);
    dx=abs(EX-*sx);
    dy=abs(EY-*sy);
    t=60*(dx+dy)/SPEED;
    *sx=EX;
    *sy=EY;

    return t;
}

/*****
/* Return the work time of a job. */
*****/
int FindWkTime(int JID)
{
    TheJob *walk;
    float t=0; //work time
    int min=0; //minutes
    walk=JobHead;

    if(walk==NULL)
        return 0;

    while(walk->JobID!=JID)
        walk=walk->next;
}

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    t=walk->EWkTime;
    min=(t*60);

    return min;
}

/*****
/*Pick urgent jobs out from job list and build an urgent job queue. */
/*****
void FindUrgentJobs(TheJob* JobH, float*Jhr, float hr, int Zcd)
{
    int Urg, New;
    TheJob* walk;
    walk=JobH;

    while(walk->next!=NULL && *Jhr <= hr*10){
        Urg=strcmp(walk->Type, "Urgent");
        New=strcmp(walk->Status, "New");

        //pick out the new urgent jobs
        if(Zcd==walk->ZipCode && Urg==0 && New==0){
            *Jhr=*Jhr+walk->EWkTime;
            NewJobList(walk); //build urgent job list
        }
        walk=walk->next;
    }

    Urg=strcmp(walk->Type, "Urgent");
    New=strcmp(walk->Status, "New");
    if(Zcd==walk->ZipCode && Urg==0 && New==0 && *Jhr <= hr*2){
        *Jhr=*Jhr+walk->EWkTime;
        NewJobList(walk);
    }
}

/*****
/*Pick normal jobs out from job list and build an normal job queue. */
/*****
void FindNormalJobs(TheJob* JobH, float*Jhr, float hr, int Zcd)
{
    int Urg, New;
    TheJob* walk;
    walk=JobH;

    while(walk->next!=NULL && *Jhr<=hr*10){
        Urg=strcmp(walk->Type, "Urgent"); //find out normal jobs
        New=strcmp(walk->Status, "New");
        if(Zcd==walk->ZipCode && Urg!=0 && New==0){
            *Jhr=*Jhr+walk->EWkTime;
            NewJobList(walk); //build normal job queue
        }
        walk=walk->next;
    }

    Urg=strcmp(walk->Type, "Urgent");
    New=strcmp(walk->Status, "New");
    if(Zcd==walk->ZipCode && Urg!=0 && New==0 && *Jhr <= hr*2){

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        *Jhr=*Jhr+walk->EWkTime;
        NewJobList(walk);
    }
}

/*****
/*Reset job parameters to build a urgent or normal job queue.      */
/*****
void NewJobList(TheJob* wk)
{
    TheJob* Ptr;
    Ptr = ((TheJob*)malloc(sizeof (TheJob)));
    Ptr->JobID=wk->JobID;
    Ptr->ZipCode=wk->ZipCode;
    strcpy(Ptr->Type, wk->Type);
    strcpy(Ptr->Status, wk->Status);
    Ptr->EWkTime=wk->EWkTime;
    Ptr->AWkTime=wk->AWkTime;
    strcpy(Ptr->DueDay, wk->DueDay);
    strcpy(Ptr->StTime, wk->StTime);
    strcpy(Ptr->FinTime, wk->FinTime);
    strcpy(Ptr->StDate, wk->StDate);
    strcpy(Ptr->FinDate, wk->FinDate);
    strcpy(Ptr->Address, wk->Address);
    Ptr->LocX=wk->LocX;
    Ptr->LocY=wk->LocY;
    Ptr->Mileage=wk->Mileage;
    Ptr->next=NULL;
    LinkNewMe(Ptr);
}

/*****
/*    Building urgent or normal job queue.                          */
/*****
void LinkNewMe(TheJob* Pt)
{
    TheJob* walk=NULL;

    if(strcmp(Pt->Type, "Urgent")==0){
        if(UrgHead==NULL){
            UrgHead=Pt;
            return;
        }
        walk=UrgHead;
    }
    else{
        if(NomHead==NULL){
            NomHead=Pt;
            return;
        }
        walk=NomHead;
    }

    while(walk->next != NULL)
        walk=walk->next;
    walk->next=Pt;
}

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}

/*****
/*Check login name and employee ID. If both are correct, this person */
/*is accepted and authorized to work on the position. The person's */
/*login time is recorded by the system as start time. */
*****/
int LoginAccept(int id)
{
    FILE* fp;
    time_t t1;          //time
    char *s;           //time pointer
    int flag=FALSE;
    TheMan* mptr;

    fp=fopen("fout","a");

    if((t1=time((time_t*)0))!=(time_t)-1)//get system time
        s=ctime(&t1);
    else
        printf("Error time. \n");

    mptr=ManHead;
    flag=IsNameinList(id);
    if(flag==FALSE)
        return FALSE;

    while(mptr->ManID != id)        //find the technician
        mptr=mptr->next;

    strcpy(mptr->LoginTime, s); //print out login information
    printf("Name:          %s\n", mptr->Name);
    printf("Employee ID:  %d\n", mptr->ManID);
    printf("Work zipcode: %d\n", mptr->ZipCode);
    printf("login at:      %s", mptr->LoginTime);
    fprintf(fp, "%s", "/*-----*/\n");
    fprintf(fp, "Name:          %s\n", mptr->Name);
    fprintf(fp, "Employee ID:  %d\n", mptr->ManID);
    fprintf(fp, "Work zipcode: %d\n", mptr->ZipCode);
    fprintf(fp, "login at:      %s", mptr->LoginTime);

    fclose(fp);
    return TRUE;
}

/*****
/*check if a person is in company's workforce list. */
*****/
int IsNameinList(int id)
{
    int flag=FALSE;
    TheMan* mptr;
    mptr=ManHead;

    if(mptr==NULL)
        return FALSE;
}

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while(mptr->next!=NULL){//check the person by his employee ID
    if(mptr->ManID == id)
        flag=TRUE;
    mptr=mptr->next;
}
if(mptr->ManID == id)
    flag=TRUE;
return flag;
}

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/*****
/*when a technician logout, this function will record his
/*logout time and work summary. This information is printed out.
*****/

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void LogoutAccept(int id)
{
    FILE* fp;
    time_t t1;          //time
    char *str;          //time pointer
    int flag=FALSE;
    TheMan* mptr;
    fp=fopen("fout","a");

    if((t1=time((time_t*)0))!=(time_t)-1)//get logout time
        str=ctime(&t1);
    else
        printf("Error time. \n");
    mptr=ManHead;
    while(mptr->ManID!=id)
        mptr=mptr->next; //find the technician

    strcpy(mptr->LogoutTime, str); //record logout time
    printf("%s ", mptr->Name); //print logout information
    printf("logout at: %s \n", str);
    fprintf(fp,"%s ", mptr->Name);
    fprintf(fp,"logout at: %s \n", str);

    fclose(fp);
}

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/*****
/*When a technician arrives on site, this function will record the
/*time and date to calculate his drive time. This information is also
/* printed out.
*****/

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void ArriveOnSite(int id, char* St, char* Sd)
{
    FILE* fp;
    time_t t1;          //time
    struct tm *tptr; //time pointer
    TheJob* Jptr;

    fp=fopen("fout","a");

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if((t1=time((time_t*)0))!=(time_t)-1)
    tptr=localtime(&t1);    //get system time
else
    printf("Error time. \n");

Jptr=JobHead;
if(Jptr==NULL)
    return;

while(Jptr->JobID != id)
    Jptr=Jptr->next;    //get the job

if(tptr->tm_year < 100)
    tptr->tm_year=1900 + tptr->tm_year;
else
    tptr->tm_year=2000 + tptr->tm_year;

//record system time and date
sprintf(Jptr->StTime, "%d:%d:%d", tptr->tm_hour, tptr->tm_min, tptr->tm_sec);
sprintf(Jptr->StDate, "%d/%d/%d", tptr->tm_mon+1, tptr->tm_mday, tptr->tm_year);
strcpy(St, Jptr->StTime);
strcpy(Sd, Jptr->StDate);
printf("job #%d start date: %s \n", id, Jptr->StDate);
printf("job #%d start time: %s \n", id, Jptr->StTime);
fprintf(fp, "job #%d start date: %s \n", id, Jptr->StDate);
fprintf(fp, "job #%d start time: %s \n", id, Jptr->StTime);

fclose(fp);
}

/*****
/*when a job is done, this function record the date and time the
/*job is done, change status to DONE and. This information is also
/* printed out.
*****/
void JobDone(int id, char* Ft, char* Fd)
{
    FILE* fp;
    time_t t1;    //time
    struct tm *tptr; //time pointer
    char *s;
    TheJob* Jptr;

    fp=fopen("fout", "a");

    if((t1=time((time_t*)0))!=(time_t)-1){
        s=ctime(&t1);
        tptr=localtime(&t1);    //get system time
    }
    else
        printf("Error time. \n");

    Jptr=JobHead;
    if(Jptr==NULL)
        return;

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while(Jptr->JobID != id)      //get the job
    Jptr=Jptr->next;

if(tptr->tm_year < 100)
    tptr->tm_year=1900 + tptr->tm_year;
else
    tptr->tm_year=2000 + tptr->tm_year;

//record time and date
sprintf(Jptr->FinTime, "%d:%d:%d", tptr->tm_hour, tptr->tm_min, tptr->tm_sec);
sprintf(Jptr->FinDate, "%d/%d/%d", tptr->tm_mon+1, tptr->tm_mday, tptr->tm_year);
strcpy(Ft, Jptr->FinTime);
strcpy(Fd, Jptr->FinDate);
printf("Job #%d complete date: %s \n", id, Jptr->FinDate);
printf("Job #%d complete time: %s \n", id, Jptr->FinTime);
fprintf(fp, "Job #%d complete date: %s \n", id, Jptr->FinDate);
fprintf(fp, "Job #%d complete time: %s \n", id, Jptr->FinTime);
fclose(fp);
ChangeStatus(JobHead, id);
ChangeStatus(UrgHead, id);
ChangeStatus(NomHead, id);
}
/*****
/*when a job is done, this function will change job status to DONE. */
*****/
void ChangeStatus(TheJob* HD, int id)
{
    TheJob *walk;
    walk=HD;

    if(HD==NULL)
        return;

    while(walk->next!=NULL){      //find the job
        if(walk->JobID==id)
            strcpy(walk->Status, "Done"); //change status to Done
        walk=walk->next;
    }

    if(walk->JobID==id)
        strcpy(walk->Status, "Done");
}

/*****
/*Input start time start date and finish time finish date. Total duration of time is calculated and returned. */
*****/
int TimeDuration(char* St, char* Sd, char* Ft, char* Fd)
{
    long Minutes;           //minutes
    long AbEnd;             //absolute Julian end date number
    long AbStart;          //absolute Julian start date number
    short EndHr;           //end hour
    short EndMin;          //end minute

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int EndDayMM;           //total minutes in end day
long LapDay;           //total duration of days
short StartHr;         //start hour
short StartMin;        //start minutes
short StartDayMM;      //total minutes in start day
char StTime[QUART];    //start time string
char FinTime[QUART];   //finish time string
char* str;

strcpy(StTime, St);
strcpy(FinTime, Ft);

AbStart=AbsJulian(Sd); //get Julian day number
AbEnd=AbsJulian(Fd);

str=strtok(StTime, ":\0"); //pick hr and min.
StartHr=atoi(str);
str=strtok(NULL, ":\0");
StartMin=atoi(str);

str=strtok(FinTime, ":\0"); //pick hour and minute.
EndHr=atoi(str);
str=strtok(NULL, ":\0");
EndMin=atoi(str);

StartDayMM=(StartHr*60)+StartMin; //get total min. in start day
EndDayMM=(EndHr*60)+EndMin;       //get total min. in end day

if (AbStart=AbEnd)
    Minutes=EndDayMM-StartDayMM; //calculate time duration
else{
    if (AbEnd>AbStart){
        LapDay=AbEnd-AbStart;
        Minutes=LapDay*1440+EndDayMM-StartDayMM;
    }
    else
        Minutes=0;
}

return Minutes;
}

/*****
/*Get technician's location and return the value back in *EX and *EY.*/
*****/
void FindManLocation(int id, int*EX, int*EY)
{
    TheMan *walk;
    walk=ManHead;

    while(walk->ManID!=id)
        walk=walk->next;

    *EX=walk->LocX;
    *EY=walk->LocY;
}

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/*****
/*Check if the input file is empty or if the file contains invalid */
/*characters such as tabs, blanks and new line characters, then call */
/*InputJob() and InputMan() to read in the input data.          */
/*****
int manageInput()
{
    FILE *fp,*wfp;
    char T[FULL], EXIT[QUART];
    int i, flag=0;

    if(( fp = fopen("Job.dat","r")) == NULL){
        printf("Can't open file!\n");
        exit(0);
    }

    for(i=0;i<FULL;i++)
        T[i]='\0';          //clean the buffer

    while((fgets(T, FULL, fp))!=NULL){ //check the validity of input
        for(i=0; i<FULL;i++)
            if(T[i]!='\t' || T[i]!=' ' || T[i]!='\n' || T[i]!='\0')
                ;
            else
                flag =1;
        }

    if(flag==0){ //print alert message and exit
        printf("This file is empty. Type EXIT to quit!\n");
        scanf("%s", EXIT);
        while(strcmp(EXIT, "EXIT")!=0){
            printf("\nType EXIT to quit!\n");
            scanf("%s", EXIT);
        }
        return FALSE;
    }

    fclose(fp);
    wfp=fopen("fout", "w"); //print out put title
    fprintf(wfp, "%s\n", "    ALL INPUT JOB LIST");
    fprintf(wfp, "%s", "/******\n");

    fclose(wfp);

    InputJob();          //call to read input data
    InputMan();

    wfp=fopen("fout", "a");

    fprintf(wfp, "%s\n", "    JOB LIST SORTED BY DUE DAY");
    fprintf(wfp, "%s", "/******\n");

    fclose(wfp);

    PrintJobs(JobHead); //call to print all input jobs
    PrintMan();         //call to print all input technician data
    return TRUE;
}

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}

/*****
/*Check the validity of technician's assigned area zip code.      */
/*****
int IsZipCodeValid(int zp, int id)
{
    TheMan* walk;
    walk=ManHead;

    while(walk->ManID!=id)
        walk=walk->next; //find the technician

    if(walk->ZipCode==zp) //check if input zip code is valid
        return TRUE;
    else if (zp==100)
        return 100;
    else if(zp== 200)
        return 200;
    else if(zp==300)
        return 300;
    else if(zp==400)
        return 400;
    else
        return FALSE;
}

/*****
/*Calculate the sum of work time and travel time.                */
/*****
float getWktime(int jid)
{
    float tm=0;
    TheJob* walk;
    walk=JobHead;

    while(walk->JobID!=jid)
        walk=walk->next;

    tm=tm+walk->AWkTime;
    tm=tm+walk->Mileage/SPEED;

    return tm;
}

/*****
/*main()simulates the operation screen. It calls to read and mnage */
/*input, prompts login and logout information, call to schedule jobs*/
/*check the validity of input, provide an interface between the user*/
/* and the system.                                                */
/*****
main()
{
    int i,x,y;

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int mx,my;           //coordinates x and y
int Eid,Jid;        //employee ID, Job ID
int Accept=FALSE;   //flag
int zp;             //zip code
char wk[QUART];     //select job flag
char EXIT[QUART];   //exit function flag
char Site[QUART];   //arrive on site flag
char Done[QUART];   //job done flag
float hr=0;         //requested work time
float tm=0;         //calculated work time
float TT=0;         //total work time
float WT=0;         //one job work time
char St[QUART];     //start time
char Sd[QUART];     //start date
char Ft[QUART];     //finish time
char Fd[QUART];     //finish date
Chg[QUART];        //temp buffers
int Sch[QUART];     //change work time flag

i=x=zp=y=mx=my=Eid=Jid=0;//initialize variables

if(manageInput()==FALSE) //read input
    exit(0);

printf("Type your employee ID to login: ");
scanf("%d", &Eid);

Accept=LoginAccept(Eid);

//if login is incorrect, retype ID number and check again
while(Accept!=TRUE){
    printf("\nError! Retype your employee ID to login: ");
    scanf("%d", &Eid);
    Accept=LoginAccept(Eid);
}

FindManLocation(Eid, &mx, &my); //get technician' location
x=mx;    y=my;

//check his request
printf("\nRequest a job? Type YES! Quit? Type NO! ");
scanf("%s", wk);
while(strcmp(wk, "YES")!=0 && strcmp(wk, "NO")!=0){
    printf("\nRequest a job? Type YES! Quit? Type NO! ");
    scanf("%s", wk);
}

if(strcmp(wk, "NO")==0)
    exit(0);

//check technician's input zip code
printf("\nType your work zipcode: ");
scanf("%d", &zp);
while(IsZipCodeValid(zp, Eid)==FALSE){
    printf("\nError! Retype your work zipcode: ");
    scanf("%d", &zp);
}

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    if(IsZipCodeValid(zp, Eid)!=TRUE)
        printf("Area %d is beyond your home area, you will have a long
drive!\n", zp);

    printf("\nHow many hours do you expect to work today: ");
    scanf("%f", &hr);    //get his requested work time

    ScheduleList(hr, zp); //schedule jobs for the technician

    while(strcmp(wk, "YES")==0){
        strcpy(wk, " "); strcpy(Site, " "); strcpy(Done, " ");
        while(hr==0){
            printf("Work hours can not be zero. Retype work time or type 9999 to
quit!");
            scanf("%f", &hr);
            if(hr==9999)
                break;
        }

        //while loop continue to dispatch jobs for the technician
        //if he request to work over time, the system allow him to do so.
        while(Scheduling(Sch, hr, Eid)==FALSE){
            printf("Type EXIT to quit! or WORK to request a over time
job!\n");
            scanf("%s", EXIT);
            while(strcmp(EXIT, "EXIT")!=0 && strcmp(EXIT, "WORK")!=0){
                printf("Type EXIT to quit! or WORK to request a over time
job!\n");
                scanf("%s", EXIT);
            }

            if(strcmp(EXIT, "EXIT")==0)
                break;

            if(strcmp(EXIT, "WORK")==0){
                printf("\nHow many hours do you expect to work next: ");
                scanf(" %f", &hr);
            }
        }

        if(strcmp(EXIT, "EXIT")==0)
            break;

        printTheJob(Sch[0], &x, &y); //print the scheduled job for him
        printf("\nWhen arrives at site, type SITE ");
        scanf("%s", Site);
        while(strcmp(Site, "SITE")!=0){
            printf("\nWhen arrives at site, type SITE ");
            scanf("%s", Site);
        }

        ArriveOnSite(Sch[0], St, Sd); //check man on site

        printf("\nWhen job is completed, type DONE ");
        scanf("%s", Done);
        while(strcmp(Done, "DONE")!=0){
            printf("\nWhen job is completed, type DONE ");

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    scanf("%s", Done);
}

JobDone(Sch[0], Ft, Fd); //if job is done, mark job done

tm=TimeDuration(St,Sd,Ft,Fd);//calculate work time

SetWkTime(Sch[0],Eid, tm); //record work time

WT=getWktime(Sch[0]);

TT=TT+WT; hr=hr-WT; //calculate remaining time in the day
printf("Remaining time %2.2f hours.\n", hr);
printf("This job takes %2.2f hours.\n", WT);
printf("Total time used %2.2f hours.\n", TT);

//continue the loop, if he request another job, go on
printf("\nRequest a job? Type YES! Quit? Type NO! ");
scanf("%s", wk);
while(strcmp(wk, "YES")!=0 && strcmp(wk, "NO")!=0){
    printf("\nRequest a job? Type YES! Quit? Type NO! ");
    scanf("%s", wk);
}

//check if he request more work time or less work time
//make a change if he likes
if(strcmp(wk, "YES")==0){
    printf("\nChange work time? Type YES! NO change? Type NO! ");
    scanf("%s", Chg);
    while(strcmp(Chg, "YES")!=0 && strcmp(Chg, "NO")!=0){
        printf("\nChange work time? Type YES! NO change? Type NO! ");
        scanf("%s", Chg);
    }
    if(strcmp(Chg, "YES")==0){
        printf("\nHow many hours do you expect to work next: ");
        scanf("%f", &hr);
    }
}
tm=0;
}

LogoutAccept(Eid); //if he finishes his job for the day, log out
printTheMan(Eid); //print the day's work report
}

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