A Hybrid Constraint Programming/Integer Programming Method for Scheduling

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Problem

• Solve **planning and scheduling problems** that are intractable with existing technology.

- Assign jobs to processors.
- Schedule the jobs on each processor.

Approach

- Combine integer programming and constraint programming.
 - ...through logic-based Benders decomposition.
 - Exploit complementary strengths.
 - IP is good for assignment problems
 - CP is good for scheduling.
 - Integrated approach is more effective than IP or CP used separately.

Today's Agenda

- Briefly **introduce CP** and resource-constrained scheduling.
- Apply CP/IP Benders to a **generic planning and scheduling** problem.
 - Assign jobs to processors and schedule them subject to time windows.
 - Allow jobs to run in parallel on a processor, subject to a resource constraint.
 - Report computational results.
- Investigate whether CP/IP Benders works for a **pure scheduling problem**.
 - No obvious decomposition

Motivation

- CP and IP can work together.
 - Complementary strengths.
 - IP good for assignment, CP good for scheduling.
- General-purpose solvers can implement integrated methods.
 - Solvers are moving in this direction.
 - IBM OPL Studio, Mosel, SCIP, SIMPL.
 - Logic-based Benders implemented in SIMPL.

What Is Constraint Programming?

Basic Idea Resource-constrained scheduling

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What is Constraint Programming?

- An alternative to optimization methods in operations research.
- Developed in the computer science and artificial intelligence communities.
 - Over the last 20-30 years.
- Particularly successful in scheduling and logistics.

Applications

• Circuit design (Siemens)



• Real-time control (Siemens, Xerox)



• Container port scheduling (Hong Kong and Singapore)



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Applications

- Job shop scheduling
- Assembly line smoothing and balancing
- Cellular frequency assignment
- Nurse scheduling
- Shift planning
- Maintenance planning
- Airline crew rostering and scheduling
- Airport gate allocation and stand planning



Applications

- Production scheduling chemicals aviation oil refining steel lumber photographic plates tires
- Transport scheduling (food, nuclear fuel)
- Warehouse management
- Course timetabling



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- Brief intellectual history...

First step: Logic programming

- Attempt to unify procedural and declarative modeling
 - Procedural: Write the algorithm (CS)
 - Declarative: Write the constraints (OR)
 - Logic programming: Propositions are also procedural goals



Example of Prolog

Second step: Constraint logic programming



succeed

Third step: Constraint programming

- Drop the logic programming framework.
- View each line of the program as specifying both a constraint and a procedure.
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Advantages of CP

- Good at scheduling, logistics
 - ...where other optimization methods may fail.
- Adding messy constraints makes the problem easier.
 - The more constraints, the better.
- More powerful modeling language.
 - Simpler models (due to global constraints).
 - Constraints convey problem structure to the solver.

Disadvantages of CP

- Less effective for continuous optimization.
 - Relies on interval propagation
- Less robust
 - May blow up past a certain problem size,
 - Lacks relaxation technology
- Software is less highly engineered
 - Younger field

Resource-constrained Scheduling

- One of CP's most successful areas.
 - Schedule jobs in parallel.
 - Subject to time windows and a resource constraint
- Implemented by the cumulative scheduling constraint.
 - This is a **global constraint**
 - That is, a constraint that enforces a highly-structured set of more elementary constraints.

Resource-constrained Scheduling



Example: Ship loading

- The problem
 - Load 34 items on the ship in minimum time (min makespan)
 - Each item *i* requires p_i minutes and c_i workers.
 - Total of 8 workers available.

Precedence constraints

$1 \rightarrow 2,4$	$11 \rightarrow 13$	$22 \rightarrow 23$
$2 \rightarrow 3$	$12 \rightarrow 13$	$23 \rightarrow 24$
$3 \rightarrow 5,7$	$13 \rightarrow 15,16$	$24 \rightarrow 25$
$4 \rightarrow 5$	$14 \rightarrow 15^{'}$	$25 \rightarrow 26, 30, 31, 32$
$5 \rightarrow 6$	$15 \rightarrow 18$	$26 \rightarrow 27$
$6 \rightarrow 8$	$16 \rightarrow 17$	$27 \rightarrow 28$
$7 \rightarrow 8$	$17 \rightarrow 18$	$28 \rightarrow 29$
$8 \rightarrow 9$	$18 \rightarrow 19$	$30 \rightarrow 28$
$9 \rightarrow 10$	$18 \rightarrow 20,21$	$31 \rightarrow 28$
$9 \rightarrow 14$	$19 \rightarrow 23$	$32 \rightarrow 33$
$10 \rightarrow 11$	$20 \rightarrow 23$	$33 \rightarrow 34$
10 ightarrow 12	$21 \rightarrow 22$	

Use the cumulative scheduling constraint.

min z

s.t.
$$z \ge t_i + p_i$$
, $i = 1,...,34$
cumulative $((t_1,...,t_{34}), (p_1,...,p_{34}), (c_1,...,c_{34}), 8)$
 $t_2 \ge t_1 + 3, t_4 \ge t_1 + 3,$ etc. (precedence constraints)

Note that there are no integer variables.

- **Domain filtering** is a key technology in CP solvers.
 - Remove infeasible values from variable domains.
 - That is, values that cannot occur in any feasible solution.
- Bounds propagation is one form of filtering.
 - Tighten bounds on start time of a job.
 - Propagate the bounds to other constraints in the problem.
- Edge finding is the most basic technique.

Consider a cumulative scheduling constraint:

cumulative $((s_1, s_2, s_3), (p_1, p_2, p_3), (c_1, c_2, c_3), C)$



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then $k > J$, and update E_k to
$$\max_{\substack{J' \subset J \\ e_J - (C - c_k)(L_J - E_J) > 0}} \left\{ E_{J'} + \frac{e_{J'} - (C - c_k)(L_J - E_{J'})}{c_k} \right\}$$

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There is an $O(n^2)$ algorithm that finds all applications of the edge finding rules.

Other propagation rules for cumulative scheduling

- Extended edge finding.
- Timetabling.
- Not-first/not-last rules.
- Energetic reasoning.

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Today's topic

Planning and Scheduling

A small example Benders cuts Computational results
• Assign 5 jobs to 2 processors (A and B), and schedule the machines assigned to each machine within time windows.

• The objective is to minimize makespan.

Time lapse between start of first job and end of last job.

- Assign the jobs in the master problem, to be solved by IP.
- Schedule the jobs in the **subproblem**, to be solved by CP.

Job Data

Job	Release	Dead-	Processing		
j	time	line	tir	ne	
	r_{j}	d_{j}	p_{Aj}	p_{Bj}	
1	0	9	1	5	
2	0	9	3	6	
3	2	7	3	7	
4	2	9	4	6	
5	4	7	2	5	

Example

Assign 5 jobs to 2 processors.

Schedule jobs assigned to each processor without overlap.

Processsor A

Processor B

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Minimum makespan schedule for jobs 1, 2, 3, 5 on processor A







Special case of cumulative constraint

The model:

Start time of job *j* min M $M \ge [s_j] + p_{x_j j}$, all *j* $r_j \le s_j \le d_j - p_{x_j j}$, all *j* disjunctive $((s_j | x_j = i), (p_{ij} | x_j = i))$, all *i*

For a fixed assignment \overline{X} the subproblem on each processor *i* is

min
$$M$$

 $M \ge s_j + p_{\overline{x}_j j}$, all j with $\overline{x}_j = i$
 $r_j \le s_j \le d_j - p_{\overline{x}_j j}$, all j with $\overline{x}_j = i$
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Benders cuts

Suppose we assign jobs 1,2,3,5 to processor A in iteration *k*.

We can prove that 10 is the optimal makespan by proving that the schedule is infeasible with makespan 9.



Edge finding derives infeasibility by reasoning only with jobs 2,3,5. So these jobs alone create a minimum makespan of 10.

So we have a simple
"nogood" cut
$$M \ge B_{k+1}(x) = \begin{cases} 10 & \text{if } x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Benders cuts

We want the master problem to be an IP, which is good for assignment problems.

So we write the Benders cut

$$M \ge B_{k+1}(x) = \begin{cases} 10 & \text{if } x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

using 0-1 variables:
$$M \ge 10(x_{A2} + x_{A3} + x_{A5} - 2)$$

 $M \ge 0$
= 1 if job 5 is
assigned to
processor A

Master problem

The master problem is an MILP:



Stronger Benders cuts

If all release times are the same, we can strengthen the Benders cuts.

We are now using the cut

$$\mathbf{V} \geq M_{ik} \left(\sum_{j \in J_{ik}} \mathbf{X}_{ij} - |\mathbf{J}_{ik}| + 1 \right)$$

Min makespan on processor *i* in iteration *k* Set of jobs assigned to processor *i* in iteration *k*

A stronger cut provides a useful bound even if only some of the jobs in J_{ik} are assigned to processor *i*: $v \ge M_{ik} - \sum_{j \in J_{ik}} (1 - x_{ij})p_{ij}$

Stronger Benders cuts

To strengthen cuts further, the subproblem is re-solved after removing jobs one at a time from J_{ik} .



If removing a job has no effect on min makespan, it is left out of J_{ik} .

Stronger Benders cuts

Min makespan Benders cut for **cumulative scheduling** subproblem, if release times are equal.



Min cost problem

There is a cost for assigning each job to each processor.

Subproblem is a feasibility problem – Can these jobs be assigned to the processor?

Benders cuts are very simple:

$$\sum_{j \in J_i} (1 - x_{ij}) \ge 1 \quad \longleftarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Don't assign these} \\ \text{jobs to processor } i \\ \text{again} \end{array}$$

Cuts are iteratively strengthened as before.

Computational Results

IP model is solved by CPLEX 11.

We are now updating results using CPLEX 12 in both IP and Benders methods. Also faster CP solver for subproblems.

Results – Min cost problem

Long processing times – average of 5 instances

Jobs	Proces- sors	MILP (CF Nodes	PLEX 11) Sec.	lter.	Benders Cuts	Sec.
3	2	1	0.00	2	1	0.00
7	3	1	0.00	13	16	0.12
12	3	3,351	6.6	26	35	0.73
15	5	2,779	8.8	20	29	0.83
20	5	33,321	882	13	82	5.4
22	5	352,309	10,563	69	98	9.6

Results – Min cost problem

Short processing times – average of 5 instances

Jobs	Proces- sors	MILP (CPLEX 11) Nodes Sec.		lter.	Benders Cuts	s Sec.
3	2	1	0.01	1	0	0.00
7	3	1	0.02	1	0	0.00
12	3	499	0.98	1	0	0.01
15	5	529	2.6	2	1	0.06
20	5	250,047	369	6	5	0.28
22	5	> 27.5 mil.	> 48 hr	9	12	0.42
25	5	> 5.4 mil.	> 19 hr*	17	21	1.09
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Results – Min makespan problem

Average of 5 instances

3 processors

4 processors

Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.	Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.
10	3.9	0.23	10	1	0.19
12	12	0.38	12	5	0.43
14	524	1.4	14	24	0.82
16	1716+	7.6	16	35	1.0
28	4619+	30	28	3931+	4.4
20		8.7	20		28
22		2012+	22		945

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+Some instances exceeded limit of 2 hours

Results – Min cost and makespan

Benders method – Larger instances (average of 5)

Jobs	Processors	Min cost Sec.	Min makespan Sec.
10	2	0.1	0.2
15	3	0.3	1.6
20	4	3.2	32
25	5	3.3	28
30	6	1.4	65
35	7	8.0	767
40	8	157	5944+
45	9	95	5762+
50	10	19	

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Min Tardiness Problem

• The min tardiness problem cuts are slightly different.

$$T_{i} \geq T_{i}^{*} \left(1 - \sum_{j \in J_{i}} (1 - y_{ij}) \right) \qquad \qquad \text{Similar to makespan} \\ T_{i} \geq T_{i} \left(J_{i} \sqrt{Z_{i}} \right) \left(1 - \sum_{j \in J_{i} \setminus Z_{i}} (1 - y_{ij}) \right) \\ \left(S_{i} \right) = \min \qquad \qquad \text{Set of jobs that can be removed}$$

 $T_i(S) = \min$ tardiness on processor *i* when it runs jobs in set *S*

Set of jobs that can be removed from processor *i*, one at a time with replacement, without changing the min tardiness.

Results – Min tardiness problems

3 processors – Individual instances

Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.	Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.
10	4.7	2.6	14	7.0	6.1
	6.4	1.6		34	3.7
	6.4	1.6		45	19
	32	4.1		73	40
	33	22		>7200	3296
12	0.7	0.2	16	19	1.4
	0.6	0.1		46	2.1
	0.7	0.2		52	4.2
	15	2.4		1105	156
	25	12		3424	765

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3 processors – Individual instances

Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.	Jobs	MILP Sec.	Benders Sec.
18	187	2.8	22	6.3	19
	15	5.3		584	37
	46	49		>7200	>7200
	256	47		>7200	>7200
	>7200	1203		>7200	>7200
20	105	18	24	10	324
	4141	23		>7200	94
	39	29		>7200	110
	1442	332		>7200	>7200
	>7200	>7200		>7200	>7200

Summary of results

- Benders is much faster for min cost and min makespan problems.
- Benders is somewhat faster for min tardiness problem.
 - Better cuts are needed.
- Updated results are similar so far.

Inference Dual

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- The Benders cut states conditions on the master problem variables under which the proof **remains valid**.
 - Classical Benders cut is a special case.

A Pure Scheduling Problem

Segmented problem Unsegmented problem

Single-processor Scheduling

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 - But we decompose it by assigning jobs to **segments** of the time horizon.
- Two versions:
 - **Segmented problem** Jobs cannot cross segment boundaries (e.g., weekends).
 - Unsegmented problem Jobs can cross segment boundaries.

Segmented problem

• Benders approach is very similar to that for the planning and scheduling problem.

- Assign jobs to time segments rather than processors.
- Benders cuts are the same.



Segmented problem

- Experiments use most recent versions of CP and IP solvers.
 - IBM OPL Studio 6.1
 - CPLEX 12

Feasibility – Wide time windows (individual instances)

Time(sec)



Feasibility – Tight time windows (individual instances)



Min makespan – Wide time windows (individual instances)



Min makespan – Tight time windows (individual instances)



Min tardiness – Wide time windows (individual instances)



Min tardiness – Tight time windows (individual instances)


Segmented problem

Computational results - tight time windows

Table 4: Computation times in seconds for the segmented problem with tight time windows. The number of segments is 10% the number of jobs. Ten instances of each size are solved.

	Feasibility		Makespan			Tardiness			
Jobs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	CP	MILP	Bndrs
60	0.1	14	1.9	60	7.7	6.4	0.1	16	3.0
80	181^{*}	45	2.7	420^{*}	147	11	63*	471*	20
100	199*	58	4.3	600*	600	17	547^{*}	177*	11
120	272^{*}	137	4.8	600*	600	39	600*	217^{*}	2.9
140	306^{*}	260^{*}	<mark>6.8</mark>	600*	$432^{*\dagger}$	33	600*	373*	5.0
160	314*	301*	8.0	600*	359^{*}	14			
180	600^{*}	$350^{*\dagger}$	4.8	600*	557*†	5.3			
200	600*	t	5.8	600*	600*†	6.6			

*Solution terminated at 600 seconds for some or all instances.

[†]MILP solver ran out of memory for some or all instances, which are omitted from the average solution time.

Segmented problem

Computational results – wide time windows

Table 5: Average computation times in seconds for the segmented problem with wide time windows. The number of segments is 10% the number of jobs. Ten instances of each size are solved.

	Feasibility		Makespan			Tardiness			
Jobs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	CP	MILP	Bndrs
60	0.05	12	1.9	0.2	16	5.8	0.2	8.0	2.3
80	0.28	22	2.5	180^{*}	59	9.0	1.5	94	3.7
100	0.14	37	3.8	360^{*}	403^{*}	14	79*	594^{*}	85*
120	0.13	61	5.0	540^{*}	<mark>600*</mark>	25	600*	251^{*}	183^{*}
140	61*	175	7.0	600*	600*	107	600*	160^{*}	4.3
160	540^{*}	216^{*}	4.8	600^{*}	562^{*}	157			
180	6 <mark>00*</mark>	$375^{*\dagger}$	4.5	600^{*}	5 35*	10			
200	600*	t	5.5	600^{*}	560*	6.9			

*Solution terminated at 600 seconds for some or all instances.

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- Master problem is more complicated.
 - Jobs can overlap two or more segments.
 - Master problem variables must keep track of this.
- Benders cuts more sophisticated.



• Master problem:

y_{ijk} variables keep track of whether job *j* starts, finishes, or runs entirely in segment *i*.

 x_{ijk} variables keep track of how long a partial job *j* runs in segment *i*.

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i \in I} y_{ij} &\geq 1, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij} &= y_{ij0} + y_{ij1} + y_{ij2} + y_{ij3}, \ i \in I, j \in J \\ \sum_{j \in J} y_{ij1} &\leq 1, \ \sum_{j \in J} y_{ij2} \leq 1, \ \sum_{j \in J} y_{ij3} \leq 1, \ i \in I \\ y_{ij1} &\leq y_{i-1,j,2} + y_{i-1,j,3}, \ i \in I, i > 1, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij2} &\leq y_{i+1,j,1} + y_{i+1,j,3}, \ i \in I, i < n, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij3} &\leq y_{i-1,j,3} + y_{i-1,j,2}, \ i \in I, i > 1, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij3} &\leq y_{i+1,j,3} + y_{i+1,j,1}, \ i \in I, i < n, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij3} &\leq y_{i+1,j,3} + y_{i+1,j,1}, \ i \in I, i < n, \ j \in J \\ \sum_{i \in I} y_{ij0} &\leq 1, \ \sum_{i \in I} y_{ij1} \leq 1, \ \sum_{i \in I} y_{ij2} \leq 1, \ j \in J \\ y_{1j1} &= y_{1j3} = y_{nj2} = y_{nj3} = 0, \ j \in J \\ \sum_{i \in I} y_{ij3} &\leq \left\lfloor \frac{p_j}{a_{i+1} - a_i} \right\rfloor, \ j \in J \\ y_{ij}, y_{ij0}, y_{ij1}, y_{ij2}, y_{ij3} \in \{0, 1\}, \ i \in I, j \in J \\ x_{ij1} &\leq p_j y_{ij1}, \ x_{ij2} \leq p_j y_{ij2} \\ x_{ij} &= p_j y_{ij0} + x_{ij1} + x_{ij2} + (a_{i+1} - a_i) y_{ij3} \\ x_{ij1}, x_{ij2} \geq 0 \end{split}$$

• Cuts for min cost problem.

• Subproblem is a feasibility problem. We generate a cut if it is infeasible.

Case 1: No partial jobs in segment i. Use simple nogood cut

$$\sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1 - y_{ij0}) \ge 1$$

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Case 2: There is a partial job j_1 only at the start of segment *i*. Maximize the time job j_1 can run in this segment, rather than fixing it to the time in solution of master problem

Case 2a: This modified problem is still infeasible. Use nogood cut

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Case 2b: Max time is 0. Must remove job j_1 or another job.

$$(1-y_{ij_11}) + \sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1-y_{ij0}) \ge 1$$

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Case 2c: Max time > 0. Then time is either less than given by master, or job j_1 is dropped. Use this cut:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{i} + \sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1 - y_{ij0}) &\geq 1 \\ x_{ij_{1}} &\leq x_{ij_{1}} + p_{j_{1}} (1 - \alpha_{i}) \qquad \text{where } \alpha_{i} \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

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Case 3: There is a partial job j_2 only at the end of segment *i*. Cuts are similar to Case 2.

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Case 4: There are partial job j_1 at the start and j_2 at the end of segment *i*. Maximize the **sum** x_i^* of the times they can run in this segment.

Case 4b: $x_i^* = 0$. Use the cuts

$$(1 - y_{ij_{1}1}) + \sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1 - y_{ij0}) \ge 1$$
$$(1 - y_{ij_{2}2}) + \sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1 - y_{ij0}) \ge 1$$

• Cuts for min cost problem.

• Subproblem is a feasibility problem. We generate a cut if it is infeasible.

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Case 4c: $x_i^* > 0$. Use the cuts

$$\begin{aligned} &\gamma_i + (1 - y_{ij_1 1}) + (1 - y_{ij_2 2}) + \sum_{j \in J_{io}} (1 - y_{ij0}) \ge 1 \\ &X_{ij_1} + X_{ij_2} \le X_i^* + (p_{j_1} + p_{j_2})(1 - \gamma_i) \quad \text{where } \gamma_i \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

- Cuts for min makespan problem.
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Case 1: There are no partial jobs in segment *i*. Use the cuts

$$M \ge M_{i}^{*} - \sum_{j \in J_{i0}^{\prime}} p_{j}(1 - y_{ij0}) - w_{i} - M_{i}^{*} \sum_{j \in J_{i0}^{\prime\prime}} (1 - y_{ij0}) - M_{i}^{*} q_{i}$$
$$q_{i} \le 1 - y_{ij0}, \quad j \in J_{i0}$$
$$w_{i} \le \left(\max_{j \in J_{i0}^{\prime}} \left\{ d_{j} \right\} - \min_{j \in J_{i0}^{\prime}} \left\{ d_{j} \right\} \right) \sum_{j \in J_{i0}^{\prime\prime}} (1 - y_{ij0})$$
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Case 2: There is a partial job at the start of segment *i*. Solve a series of problems to generate the cuts

$$M \ge M_i^* (1 - \eta_i) - M_i^* \sum_{j \in J_{i0}'} (1 - y_{ij0})$$

$$\overline{x}_{ij_1} - x_{ij_1} + \Delta_i \le p_{\min} + (\overline{x}_{ij_1} + \Delta_i - p_{\min}) \eta_i - \varepsilon$$

$$\overline{x}_{ij_1} - x_{ij_1} + \Delta_i \ge p_{\min} - (p_{j_1} - \overline{x}_{ij_1} + p_{\min} - \Delta_i) (1 - \eta_i)$$

Unsegmented problem computational results

Feasibility -- individual instances



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Min makespan – individual instances



Computational results

Table 6: Average computation times in seconds for the unsegmented problem. The number of segments is 10% the number of jobs. Ten instances of each size are solved,

1 1	1	Feasibility	y	Makespan			
Jobs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	CP	MILP	Bndrs	
60	0.10	11	2.8	0.2	24	5.1	
80	0.14	21	3.7	0.7	376^{*}	8.7	
100	0.25	35	7.0	1.1	600*	21	
120	0.43	57	23	0.4	600*	93	
140	0.72	97	65	1.2	600*	115	
160	420*	188	9.0	241^{*}	549^{*}	67	
180	123^{*}	307^{*}	79	61*	600*	168	
200	180*	410^{*}	29	180^{*}	587^{*}	21	

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CP solves it quickly (< 1 sec) or blows up, in which case Benders solves it in 6 seconds (average).

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 - Benders and CP can work together.
 - Let CP run for 1 second.
 - If it fails to solve the problem, it will probably blow up. Switch to Benders for reasonably fast solution.

Obrigado!

Vocês têm perguntas?

