

# CS314 - Greedy Algorithms

Note Title

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## Announcements

- HW due Friday
- Office hours tomorrow 9-10am

## Scheduling to minimize lateness

Single resource + set of  $n$  requests for resource  
↓ (like last time)

But here, request  $i$  has:  $\{1, \dots, n\}$   
↓ deadline  $d_i$   
time  $t_i$  to run

(Think jobs on a computer requesting processor time)

Many different ways to optimize

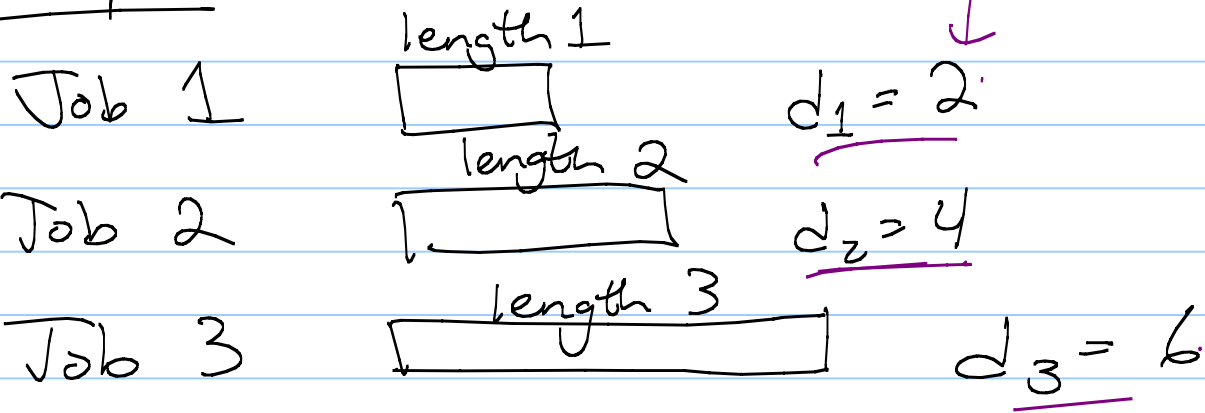
Here: Allowed to run past deadline, but want to minimize the maximum lateness

Formally: Assign  $s_i$  to each  $i$   
Let  $f_i = s_i + t_i$

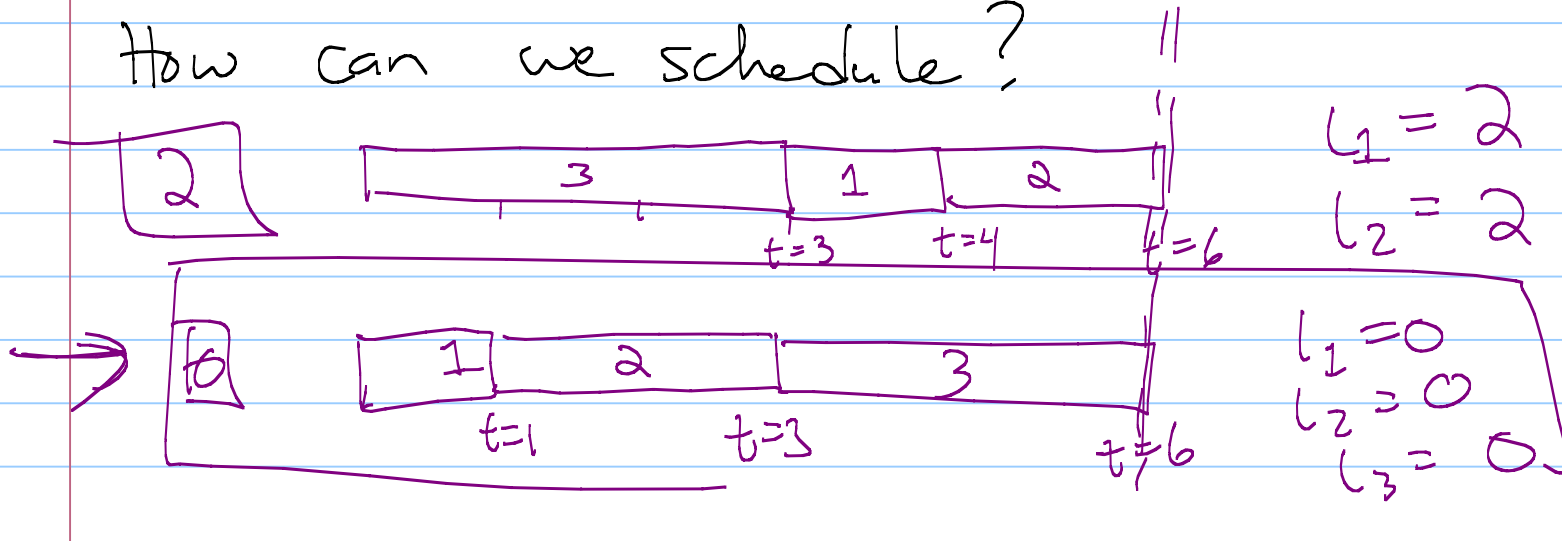
Then lateness  $\underbrace{l_i = f_i - d_i}_{\text{}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$

Want minimize  $\max_i l_i$

Example:



How can we schedule?



## Greedy Strategies?

→ - Shortest to longest  $t_i$

$$1: t_1 = 6 \quad d_1 = 6$$

$$2: t_2 = 1 \quad d_2 = 9$$

- Shortest slack time  $d_i - t_i$

$$1: t_1 = 10 \quad d_1 = 10 \quad (\text{slack} = 0)$$

→  $2: t_2 = 1 \quad d_2 = 2$

Instead - earliest deadline first (EDF)

Sort by  $d_i$  (& reorder  $t_i$  accordingly)

$f \leftarrow 0$

for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$

$s[i] \leftarrow f$

$f \leftarrow s[i] + f[i]$

return  $S[1..n]$

$O(n)$

Runtime?  $O(n \log n)$

Note - no inverted pairs in our algorithm.

job  $i$  runs before  
job  $j$  but  $d_i > d_j$

## Proof of correctness:

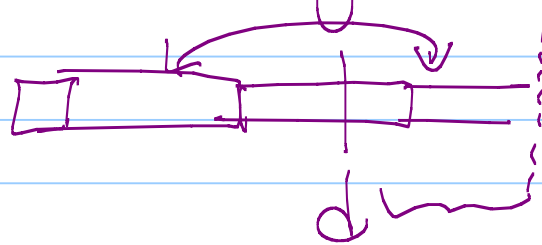
⇒ Lemma All schedules with no inversions  
and no idle time have same  
maximum lateness.

pf:

Two schedules, both have no inversions  
& no idle time.

Only possible difference is jobs with  
same deadline in different order.

So consider all jobs w/ a deadline  $d$ .



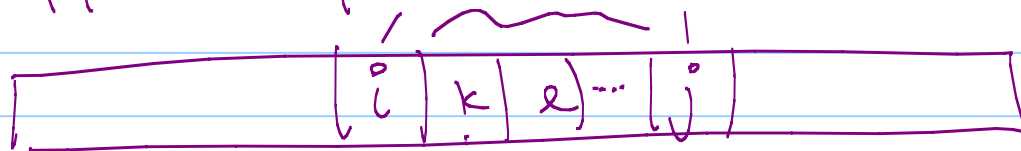
no matter of order,  
last one finishes  
at same time  
so lateness is same.  $\square$

Lemma 2: There is an optimal schedule with no idle time.

(obvious)

→ Lemma: There is an optimal schedule with no inversions (& no idle time).

pf: Suppose optimal schedule  $\sigma$  has inversions.



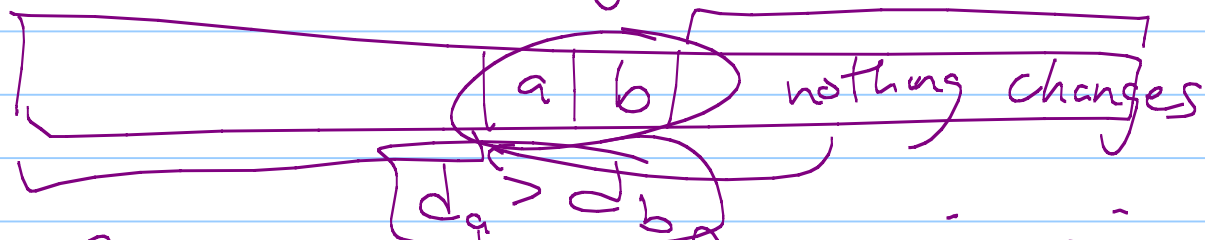
$$d_i > d_j$$

Want to find an adjacent inversion →





If there is inverted pair,  $i \neq j$   
 can swap job by job from  $i$ .  
 If first adjacent pair along way, done.  
 If not, eventually get to  $j \rightarrow$  must have  
 reached adjacent inversion.



Swap  $a$  &  $b$ : fewer inversions  
 haven't changed any lateness  
 besides  $a$  &  $b$ .

Change only  $f_a$  &  $f_b$ .  
 $a$  finishes at "old"  $f_b$   
 $b$  finishes at time  $f_a$

finish - deadline

$$\leftarrow f_b > f_a$$

Had:  $\frac{f_a - d_a}{f_b - d_b} > 1$        $d_a > d_b$

Now:  $\frac{f_b - d_a}{f_a - d_b} < 1$

Reword: a now finishes at  $f_b$   
So its lateness is  $f_b - d_a$   
We had  $f_b - d_b$  and  $d_a > d_b$

So a can't be more late in  
new schedule than b was in old.  
since  $f_b - d_a < f_b - d_b$

End of argument:

Swapping inverted pairs can not hurt.

Take  $\sigma$  & start swapping -  
at most  $O(n^2)$  inverted pairs.

$\Rightarrow$  end with optimal schedule  
w/ no inverted pairs  
(& no idle time)

apply lemma 1.

