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AN ALGORITHM FOR SOLVING
THE MACHINE SEQUENCING PROBLEM WITH PARALLEL MACHINES

1. Procedure declaration. The procedure *SEQPRO* finds an optimal sequence of operations for the machine sequencing problem with sets of identical machines, i.e., for the sequencing problem with parallel machines [5]. The optimal sequence minimizes the total time spent for processing all operations.

Data:

- Q — number of sets of parallel machines;
- M — number of operations;
- T — number of pairs of operations for which the precedence relations are given;
- MC — number of cousins of all parallel machine sets;
- LIP — number of machines;
- INF — maximum positive number of type **integer**;
- $MAKS$ — allowed number of iterations of the algorithm;
- $NI[1:Q]$ — array of numbers of operations such that $NI[k]$ is the number of operations which are to be carried out on the machines from the k -th set of parallel machines;
- $BK[1:Q]$ — array of numbers of machines such that $BK[k]$ is the number of machines of the k -th set of parallel machines;
- $RTP[1:T], RTK[1:T]$ — these arrays contain pairs of operations expressing the technological requirements put on the order of operation; the array RTP contains the predecessor numbers and the array RTK contains the successor numbers;
- $C[1:MC]$ — array of processing times of operation; $C[(i-1) \times BK[j] + 1 : i \times BK[j]]$ are the processing times of the i -th operation, where $i = N[j-1] + 1, N[j-1] + 2, \dots, N[j]$, on

the machines of the j -th set of parallel machines, where $j = 1, 2, \dots, Q$ and $N[0] = 0$;
 $PP[1:LIP]$ — array of access times of machines; $PP[i]$ is the time from which on the i -th machine can be used.

Results:

$LK[1:M]$ — array of cousin numbers in the optimal selection;
 $SO[1:M]$ — array of the earliest start times of operations in the optimal sequence;

$SK[1:M]$ — array of the general reserve times of operations;

$LOPT$ — value of the total time spent for processing all operations.

Other parameters:

END — label outside of the body of the procedure $SEQPRO$ to which a jump is made if the expected number of iterations $MAKS$ is smaller than that required by the algorithm.

2. Method used. An improved version of the algorithm due to Grabowski (see [4] and [5]) has been used in the procedure $SEQPRO$. For definitions and notation see [5].

The computations start with the graph $D_{11}^0 = \langle A, U^1; S_1; S_1^0 \rangle$ which represents the root of the solution tree H and with sets $F_1 \neq \emptyset$, $F_1^0 \neq \emptyset$, $F_1^1 \neq \emptyset$, $F_1^{0'} \neq \emptyset$ described in [5]. The first lower bound L^* in Step 1 (test step) is the critical path length of the graph

$$D(S_1^1 \cup S_1^0) = \langle A, U^0; S_1^1; S_1^0 \rangle,$$

where sets A and U^0 have been defined in [5], S_1^0 is an initial selection of sets (selection of minimal length cousins) and $S_1^1 \subset S_1$, S_1^1 being an initial complete selection. It can easily be proved that $L(S_1^1 \cup S_1^0)$ is a better initial lower bound than that proposed by Grabowski.

Remarks on Steps 3 and 4. Let us consider any node $D_{rp}^0 \in R_{D_{ai}^0}$ of the solution tree H corresponding to the $(r+p)$ -th iteration of the algorithm. Let

$$(1) \quad K = R_r' \cup R_{rp} \cup K_p^{0'}$$

be the set of candidates in the graph D_{rp}^0 , i.e., K is the set of reverse and empty arcs which are prepared for complementing and eliminating, respectively. If $R_{rp} \neq \emptyset$ and the implicit condition is satisfied for some arcs from the set R_{rp} , then we choose an arc from K which belongs to the set R_{rp} and has a minimal delta, i.e., such that

$$\delta_{rp} \{ \langle y, x \rangle, \langle u, v \rangle \} = \min_{\langle c, d \rangle \in R_{rp}} \Delta_{rp} [\langle a, b \rangle, \langle c, d \rangle].$$

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procedure SEQPRO(Q,M,T,MC,LIP,INF,MAKS,NI,BK,RTP,RTK,C,PP,
LK,SO,SK,LOPT,END);
value Q,M,T,NI,BK,RTP,RTK,C,PP,MAKS;
integer Q,M,T,INF,LIP,LOPT,MAKS,MC;
integer array NI,BK,RTP,RTK,C,PP,LK,SO,SK;
label END;
begin
  integer A,B,D,E,F,G,H,I,J,K,L,N,P,R,S,W,Z,MAX,MIN,NR1,NR2,
  P1;
  Boolean B1,B2;
  integer array LPP[1:M],WK[0:M],KC[1:M+M],SD,DET[0:MAKS],
  DEL,NDEL[1:if MC=M then 1 else MC-M];
  Boolean array FKT[1:M];
  SD[0]:=D:=R:=0;
  for I:=1 step 1 until Q do
    begin
      J:=NI[I];
      D:=D+J*(J-1)
    end I;
  D:=D/2;
  for I:=1 step 1 until M do
    begin
      for J:=1 step 1 until T do
        if RTP[J]=I
          then go to LAB;
      R:=R+1;
      SO[R]:=I;
    LAB:
    end I;
  P1:=D+T+R;

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P:=P1+M;
W:=P+M;
N:=M+M+2;
S:=D+M;
begin
  integer array AP,AK,APT,AKT,PU[1:W],APZ,AKZ,APP,AKP[1:D],
  REP,BD[1:S],LSD[0:S],LOX,LOXPR,LXZ,LXZPR,MDK[1:N];
  Boolean array FR,FRH,FRT[1:D];
  integer procedure CFM(PU,AP,AK,LOX);
  integer array PU,AP,AK,LOX;
  begin
    integer I,J,K,F,G,H,U,MAX;
    Boolean array SW[1:N],SU[1:W];
    U:=0;
    for I:=1 step 1 until N do
      begin
        SW[I]:=true;
        PU[I]:=0
      end I;
    for I:=N+1 step 1 until W do
      begin
        SU[I]:=true;
        PU[I]:=0
      end I;
    for K:=1 step 1 until N do
      begin
        for I:=1 step 1 until N do
          if SW[I]
            then
              begin

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for J:=1 step 1 until W do  
  if AK[J]=I  
    then  
      begin  
        if SW[AP[J]]  
          then go to NEXTI  
        else  
          if SU[J]  
            then  
              begin  
                U:=U+1;  
                SU[J]:=false;  
                PU[U]:=J;  
                MAX:=LOX[AP[J]];  
                if J>P1  
                  then MAX:=MAX+KC[J-P1];  
                G:=AK[J];  
                if B1  
                  then  
                    begin  
                      if MAX>LOX[G]  
                        then  
                          begin  
                            LOXPR[G]:=LOX[G];  
                            LOX[G]:=MAX;  
                            MDK[G]:=J  
                          end MAX>LOX[G]  
                        else  
                          if MAX>LOXPR[G]  
                            then LOXPR[G]:=MAX;
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        go to E1
        end B1;
        if MAX>LOX[G]
            then LOX[G]:=MAX;
E1:        end SU[J]
            end AK[J]=I;
            SW[I]:=false;
            go to NEXTK;
NEXTI:    end SW[I];
NEXTK:end K
        end CPM;
L:=S:=0;
for J:=1 step 1 until Q do
    begin
        MIN:=NI[J];
        MAX:=MIN-1;
        G:=L+L;
        for I:=1 step 1 until MAX do
            begin
                H:=I+L;
                K:=H+H;
                for F:=I+1 step 1 until MIN do
                    begin
                        S:=S+1;
                        AKP[S]:=Z:=K;
                        AP[S]:=APZ[S]:=Z+1;
                        AK[S]:=AKZ[S]:=Z:=F+F+G;
                        APP[S]:=Z+1
                    end F
                end I;
            end
        end
    end

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L:=L+MIN
end J;
for I:=1 step 1 until T do
begin
S:=S+1;
F:=RTP[I];
APT[S]:=AP[S]:=F+F+1;
H:=RTK[I];
AKT[S]:=AK[S]:=H+H
end I;
for I:=1 step 1 until R do
begin
S:=S+1;
G:=SO[I];
APT[S]:=AP[S]:=G+G+1;
AKT[S]:=AK[S]:=N
end I;
L:=0;
for I:=1 step 1 until Q do
begin
MIN:=NI[I];
K:=L+L;
for J:=1 step 1 until MIN do
begin
S:=S+1;
APT[S]:=AP[S]:=1;
AKT[S]:=AK[S]:=J+J+K
end J;
L:=L+MIN
end I;

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for I:=1 step 1 until M do
  begin
    S:=S+1;
    L:=I+I;
    APT[S]:=AP[S]:=L;
    AKT[S]:=AK[S]:=L+1
  end I;
L:=LOPT:=Z:=NR2:=LSD[0]:=LOX[1]:=WK[0]:=0;
for I:=1 step 1 until Q do
  begin
    NR1:=NI[I];
    for J:=1 step 1 until NR1 do
      begin
        L:=L+1;
        LPP[L]:=LOPT;
        R:=1;
        S:=BK[I];
        MIN:=INF;
        for K:=1 step 1 until S do
          begin
            Z:=Z+1;
            B:=C[Z];
            if MIN>B
              then
                begin
                  MIN:=B;
                  R:=K
                end MIN>B
            end K;
          REP[D+L]:=SO[L]:=SK[L]:=R;

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KC[M+L]:=MIN;
KC[L]:=PP[LOPT+R];
WK[L]:=Z;
FKT[L]:= S=1;
LK[L]:=S-1;
A:=NR2;
B:=R-1;
for K:=1 step 1 until B,R+1 step 1 until S do
  begin
    NR2:=NR2+1;
    DEL[NR2]:=C[WK[L-1]+K]-MIN;
    NDEL[NR2]:=K
  end K;
S:=S-1;
K:=-S;
for K:=K+2 while K<0 do
  begin
    R:=S+K;
    for F:=1 step 1 until R do
      begin
        for H:=F step K until 1 do
          begin
            G:=A+H;
            E:=G-K;
            MIN:=DEL[G];
            MAX:=DEL[E];
            if MIN<MAX
              then go to ENDF
            else
              begin

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        DEL[G]:=MAX;
        DEL[E]:=MIN;
        MIN:=NDEL[G];
        NDEL[G]:=NDEL[E];
        NDEL[E]:=MIN
        end MIN<MAX
        end H;
ENDF:   end F
        end K
        end J;
        LOPT:=LOPT+BK[I]
        end I;
L:=1;
for A:=1 step 1 until D do
  begin
    FR[A]:=FRT[A]:=FRH[A]:=false;
    B:=APP[A];
    G:=AKP[A];
    J:=APZ[A];
    K:=AKZ[A];
    E:=F:=1;
    for S:=P+E while AP[S]†GVAK[S]†J do
      E:=E+1;
    for S:=P+F while AP[S]†KVAK[S]†B do
      F:=F+1;
    if SK[E]†SK[F]
      then APT[A]:=AKT[A]:=REP[A]:=0
      else
        begin
          APT[A]:=APZ[A];

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    REP[A]:=1;
    AKT[A]:=AKZ[A]
    end SK[E]=SK[F]

    end A;
    for J:=2 step 1 until N do
        LOX[J]:=-1;
        B1:=false;
        CPM(PU,APT,AKT,LOX);
        LOPT:=LOX[N];
        for I:=1 step 1 until D do
            APT[I]:=AKT[I]:=0;
        go to KROK2;
    KROK1:
        LOX[1]:=0;
        for J:=2 step 1 until N do
            LOX[J]:=-1;
            CPM(PU,APT,AKT,LOX);
            if LOX[N]≥LOPT
                then go to KROK4;
    KROK2:
        for J:=1 step 1 until N do
            begin
                LOX[J]:=LOXPR[J]:=LXZ[J]:=LXZPR[J]:=-1;
                MDK[J]:=0
            end J;
        H:=LOX[1]:=LXZ[N]:=0;
        B1:=true;
        CPM(PU,AP,AK,LOX);
        B1:=false;
        for I:=1 step 1 until D do

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if AP[I]=0
  then H:=H+1;
for J:=W-H step -1 until 1 do
  begin
    K:=PU[J];
    R:=AP[K];
    MAX:=LXZ[AK[K]];
    if K>P
      then MAX:=MAX+KC[K-P+1];
    if MAX>LXZ[R]
      then
        begin
          LXZPR[R]:=LXZ[R];
          LXZ[R]:=MAX
        end MAX>LXZ[R]
      else
        if MAX>LXZPR[R]
          then LXZPR[R]:=MAX
    end J;
  MAX:=LOX[N];
  if LOPT>MAX
    then
      begin
        LOPT:=MAX;
        for J:=1 step 1 until D do
          REP[J]:=if FRT[J]^(-FR[J]) then (if FRH[J] then -1
            else 0) else 1;
        for J:=1 step 1 until M do
          REP[D+J]:=SK[J]
      end LOPT>MAX;

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B:=I:=0;
R:=LSD[L-1]+1;
A:=MDK[N];
for J:=0 while B≠1 do
  begin
    if A<D
      then
        begin
          if -FRT[A]
            then
              begin
                I:=I+2;
                G:=R+1;
                F:=APZ[A];
                H:=AKZ[A];
                if G>MAKS
                  then go to KON;
                SD[R]:=SD[G]:=A;
                MIN:=LOXPR[H]-LOX[H];
                MAX:=LXZPR[F]-LXZ[F];
                Z:=if MIN>MAX then MIN else MAX;
                MAX:=MIN+MAX+KC[MDK[APP[A]]-P1]+KC[MDK[F]-P1];
                MAX:=if Z>MAX then Z else MAX;
                if FR[A]
                  then
                    begin
                      if FRH[A]
                        then
                          begin
                            DET[R]:=INF+1;

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    DET[G]:=Z
  end FRH[A]
  else
  begin
    DET[R]:=MAX;
    DET[G]:=INF+1
  end ¬FRH[A]
end FR[A]
else
begin
  DET[R]:=MAX;
  DET[G]:=Z
end ¬FR[A];
R:=G+1
end ¬FRT[A]
end A≤D
else
  if A>P
  then
  begin
    S:=A-P;
    if ¬FKT[S]
    then
    begin
      F:=LK[S];
      if R+F-2≥MAKS
      then go to KON;
      E:=WK[S]-S;
      for K:=E+1-F step 1 until E do
      begin

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F:=APZ[A];
if not (FKT[MDK[G]-P]  $\wedge$  FKT[MDK[F]-P])
  then go to XYZ
  else
  begin
    E:=NR2:=1;
    for S:=P+E while AP[S]  $\neq$  AKP[A]  $\vee$  VAK[S]  $\neq$  F do
      E:=E+1;
    for H:=P+NR2 while AP[H]  $\neq$  AKZ[A]  $\vee$  VAK[H]  $\neq$  G do
      NR2:=NR2+1;
    if SK[E]  $\neq$  SK[NR2]
      then
      begin
        if B>MAX
          then
          begin
            B:=MAX;
            R:=I
          end B>MAX
        end SK[E]  $\neq$  SK[NR2]
      else
      begin
        DET[I]:=INF;
        FR[A]:=true;
        FRT[A]:=FRH[A]:=false
      end SK[E]=SK[NR2]
    end (FKT[MDK[G]-P]  $\wedge$  FKT[MDK[F]-P]);
    go to XYZ
  end SD[I-1]=A
end A  $\leq$  D;

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    if MIN>MAX
      then
        begin
          MIN:=MAX;
          K:=I
        end MIN>MAX;
XYZ: end DET[I]<INF;
    if B<INF
      then
        begin
          MIN:=B;
          K:=R
        end B<INF;
    if MIN>INF
      then
ALFA:
        begin
          S:=LSD[L];
          K:=LSD[L-1]+1;
          for I:=K while I<=S do
            begin
              A:=SD[I];
              if A<D
                then
                  begin
                    FRT[A]:=false;
                    AP[A]:=APZ[A];
                    AK[A]:=AKZ[A];
                    APT[A]:=AKT[A]:=0;
                    B2:=DET[I]>INF;

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FR[A]:= B2VDET[I+1]>INF;
FRH[A]:= B2;
K:=K+2
end A<D
else
begin
H:=0;
for F:=I+H while SD[F]=A^F<S do
H:=H+1;
K:=K+H;
F:=A-P;
LK[F]:=H;
H:=SO[F];
KC[F]:=PP[LPP[F]+H];
KC[F+M]:=C[WK[F-1]+H];
FKT[F]:=false
end A>D
end I;
go to KROK4
end MIN>INF;
A:=SD[K];
if A<D
then
begin
FRT[A]:=true;
FR[A]:=false;
if SD[K-1]=A^K>Z
then
begin
FRH[A]:=false;

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    AP[A]:=AK[A]:=0
    end SD[K-1]=A
    else
    begin
        AP[A]:=APT[A]:=APP[A];
        AK[A]:=AKT[A]:=AKP[A];
        FRH[A]:=true
    end SD[K-1]≠A
    end A≤D
    else
    begin
        R:=A-P;
        H:=SK[R]:=NDEL[WK[R]-R+1-LK[R]];
        KC[R]:=PP[LPP[R]+H];
        KC[R+M]:=C[WK[R-1]+H];
        FKT[R]:=true
    end A>D;
    BD[L]:=A;
    L:=L+1;
    go to KROK1;
KROK4:
    L:=L-1;
    if L=0
        then go to KON;
    A:=BD[L];
    E:=1;
    S:=LSD[L-1];
    for I:=S+E while SD[I]≠A do
        E:=E+1;
    if A≤D

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then
begin
  DET[I]:=INF;
  FR[A]:=true;
  if FRH[A]
  then
  begin
    if DET[I+1]≥INF
    then
    begin
      AP[A]:=APT[A]:=APZ[A];
      AK[A]:=AKT[A]:=AKZ[A]
    end DET[I+1]≥INF
    else
    begin
      FRT[A]:=false;
      AP[A]:=APZ[A];
      AK[A]:=AKZ[A];
      APT[A]:=AKT[A]:=0
    end DET[I+1]<INF
    end FRH[A]
    else go to ALFA
  end A≤D
else
begin
  R:=A-P;
  Z:=LK[R]:=LK[R]-1;
  SK[R]:=F:=SO[R];
  H:=0;
  NR2:=LSD[L];

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for E:=I+H while SD[E]=A^E<NR2 do
  H:=H+1;
  DET[E-Z-1]:=INF;
  KC[R]:=PP[LPP[R]+F];
  KC[R+M]:=C[WK[R-1]+F];
  if Z≠0
    then FKT[R]:=false
  end A>D;
go to KROK3;
KON:
E:=F:=H:=0;
for I:=1 step 1 until D do
  begin
    B1:=REP[I]=1;
    B2:=REP[I]=0;
    AP[I]:=if B1 then APZ[I] else if B2 then 0 else APP[I];
    AK[I]:=if B1 then AKZ[I] else if B2 then 0 else AKP[I];
    if AP[I]=0
      then H:=H+1
    end I;
  for I:=1 step 1 until M do
    begin
      E:=REP[D+I];
      KC[I]:=PP[LPP[I]+E];
      KC[M+I]:=C[WK[I-1]+E]
    end;
  for J:=1 step 1 until N do
    LOX[J]:=LXZ[J]:=-1;
  LOX[1]:=LXZ[N]:=0;
  B1:=false;

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CPM(PU,AP,AK,LOX);
for J:=W-H step -1 until 1 do
  begin
    F:=PU[J];
    E:=AP[F];
    MAX:=LXZ[AK[F]];
    if F>P1
      then MAX:=MAX+KC[F-P1];
    if MAX>LXZ[E]
      then LXZ[E]:=MAX
    end J;
for I:=1 step 1 until M do
  begin
    F:=P+I;
    E:=AP[F];
    H:=AK[F];
    SO[I]:=G:=LOX[E];
    MAX:=G+KC[I+M];
    SK[I]:=LOPT-MAX-LXZ[H];
    IK[I]:=REP[D+I]
  end I;
if L≠0
  then go to END
end
end SEQPRO

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The motivation is as follows. Let $\overline{\langle u, v \rangle} \in K \cap R_{rp}$ be the empty arc which has a minimal delta and for which the implicit condition is satisfied. Then the set K given by (1) can be defined as

$$K = \{\overline{\langle u, v \rangle}\} \cup \{\langle u, v \rangle\} \cup K^{(*)},$$

where $\langle u, v \rangle$ is the reverse arc of $\langle x, y \rangle \in S_r$, and $K^{(*)}$ is the set of all other candidates from K . Eliminating the normal arc from D_{rp}^0 we obtain a new graph D_{sp}^0 of the solution tree H . Let $R_D^{(1)} = \{D_{ij}^0\}_{i \geq s, j \geq p}$ denote the family of all possible successors of the graph D_{sp}^0 in H , let $R_D^{(2)}$ be the family of all possible successors of the graph D_{rp}^0 which can be obtained by complementing the normal arc $\langle y, x \rangle$, and let $R_D^{(3)}$ denote the family of all possible successors of the graph D_{rp}^0 which can be obtained by eliminating and complementing arcs from the set $K^{(*)}$. Note that for all $D' \in (R_D^{(2)} \cup R_D^{(3)})$ there exists $D'' \in R_D^{(1)}$ such that D'' is a subgraph of D' . Thus the critical path of any graph $R_D^{(2)} \cup R_D^{(3)}$ is as long as the critical path in any graph of $R_D^{(1)}$. Therefore, when backtracking (Step 4) to the predecessor D_{rp}^0 of D_{sp}^0 we abandon all graphs of the family $R_D^{(2)} \cup R_D^{(3)}$ and then we backtrack to the predecessor D_{kp}^0 or D_{rl}^0 of D_{rp}^0 .

If $R_{rp} = \emptyset$ or the implicit condition is not satisfied for any arc of R_{rp} , then we choose the arc of K which satisfies the criteria of Step 3 of Grabowski's algorithm.

3. Computational results. The procedure *SEQPRO* has been verified on the ODRA 1305 computer. In all cases the computations started with a pseudo-random initial selection S_1 generated by the procedure *SEQPRO* and with the initial selection of sets S_1^0 containing cousins of minimal lengths. The computation times of all examples are significantly dependent on the problem configuration and on the lengths of cousins. Table 1 shows the results of computations.

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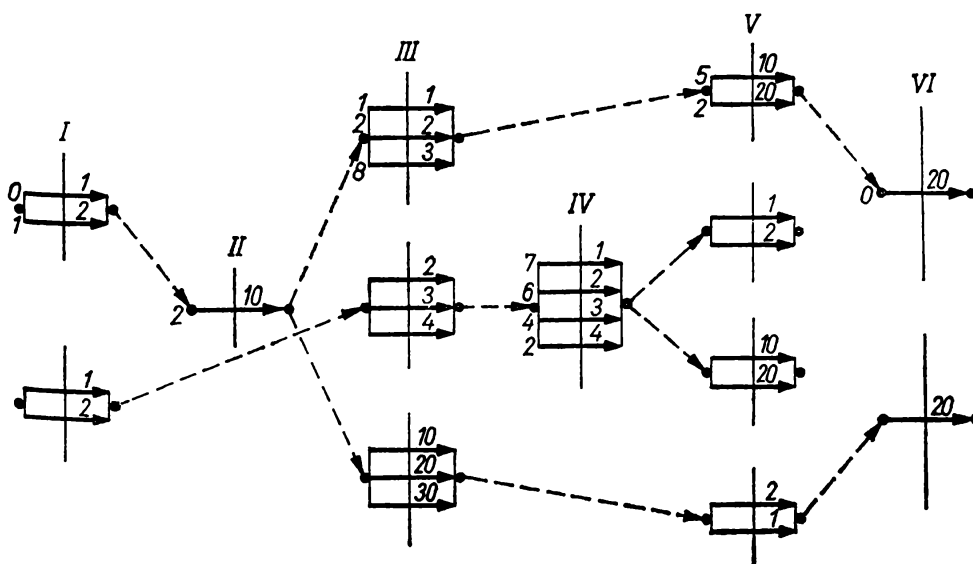


Fig. 1

TABLE I

No.	Source of examples	Data				Length of a critical path		Number of			Number of optimal iterations	Time (sec.)	
		Q	M	T	MC	LIP	starting	optimal	iterations	tests			improvements
1	Fig. 1 ⁽¹⁾	6	13	11	28	13	62	62	24	12	0	1	15
2	Fig. 1 ⁽²⁾	6	13	11	28	13	63	63	12	6	0	1	21
3	Fig. 2	3	9	6	27	9	7	6	822	231	1	706	127
4	Fig. 3	4	13	8	30	9	16	15	161	24	1	79	65
5	Fig. 4	2	6	3	6	2	34	31	12	7	1	3	2
6	Fig. 5	2	5	4	17	5	11	7	39	12	1	16	3
7	Fig. 6	5	20	17	43	11	38	38	13	1	0	1	64
8	Fig. 7	4	8	8	19	7	11	8	318	115	3	262	47
9	Fig. 8	4	14	10	38	11	14	9	103	10	1	20	53
10	Fig. 9	4	13	8	13	4	23	13	142	69	6	123	79
11	Fig. 9 ⁽²⁾	4	13	8	13	4	23	16	166	84	4	8	89

⁽¹⁾ In Figs. 1-9, numbers at the beginning of the arrows indicate the access time of machines, numbers at the arrow-head indicate the processing time of operation, and the type of machine is denoted by Roman numerals.

⁽²⁾ All the access times are equal to zero.

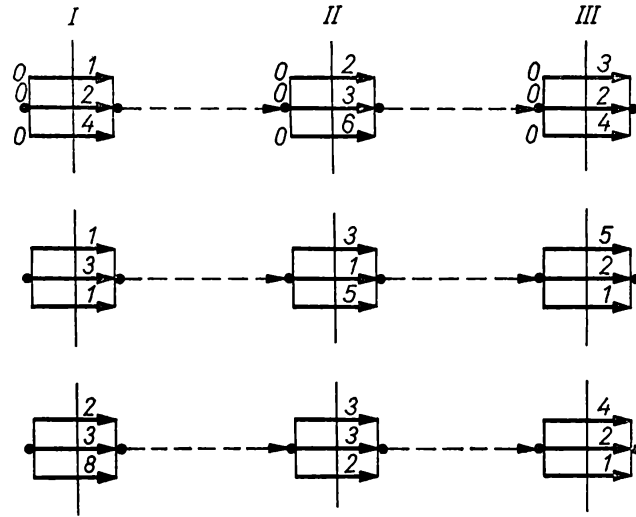


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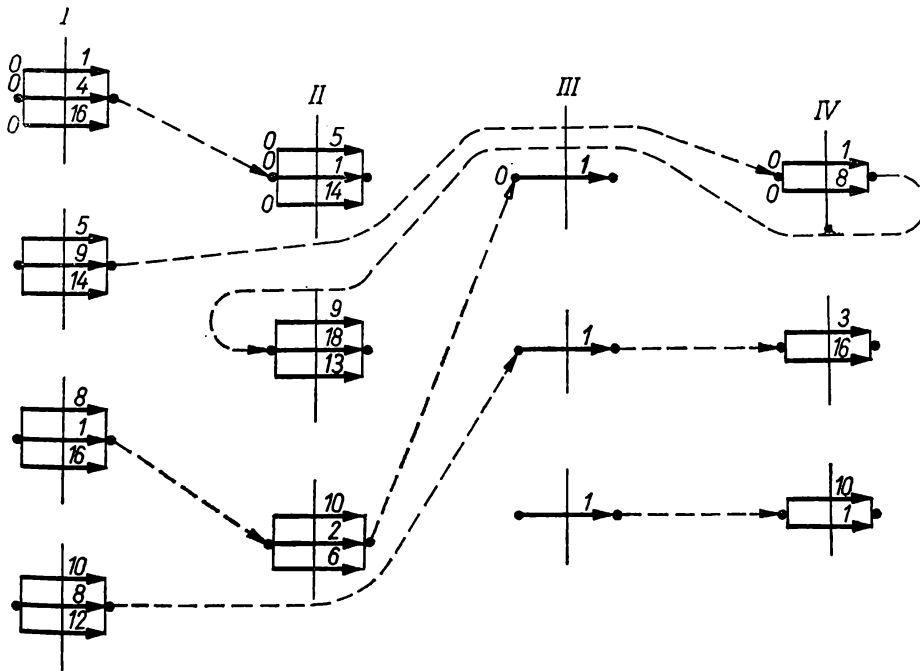


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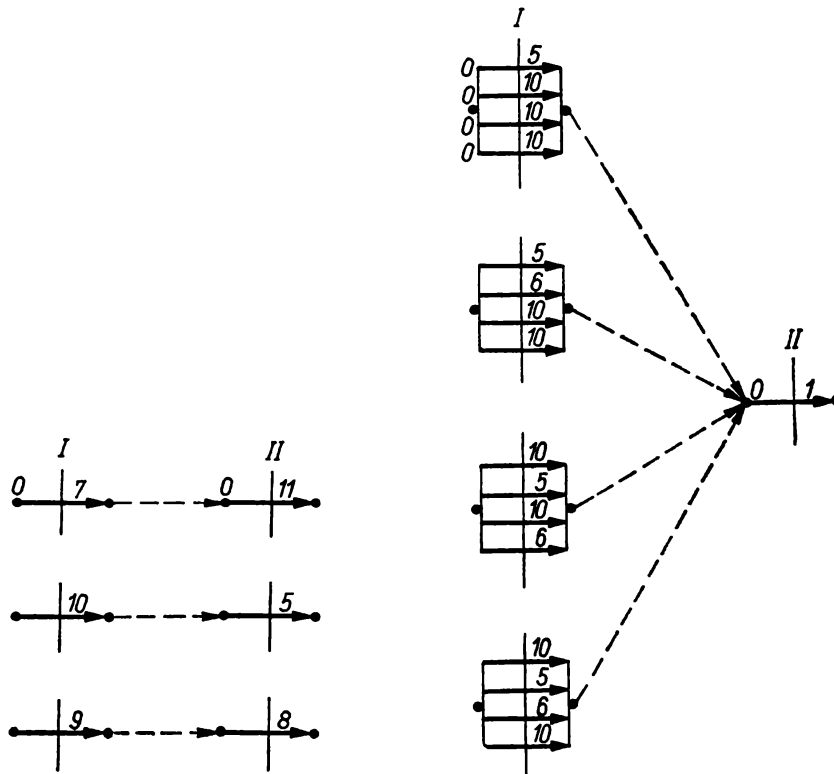


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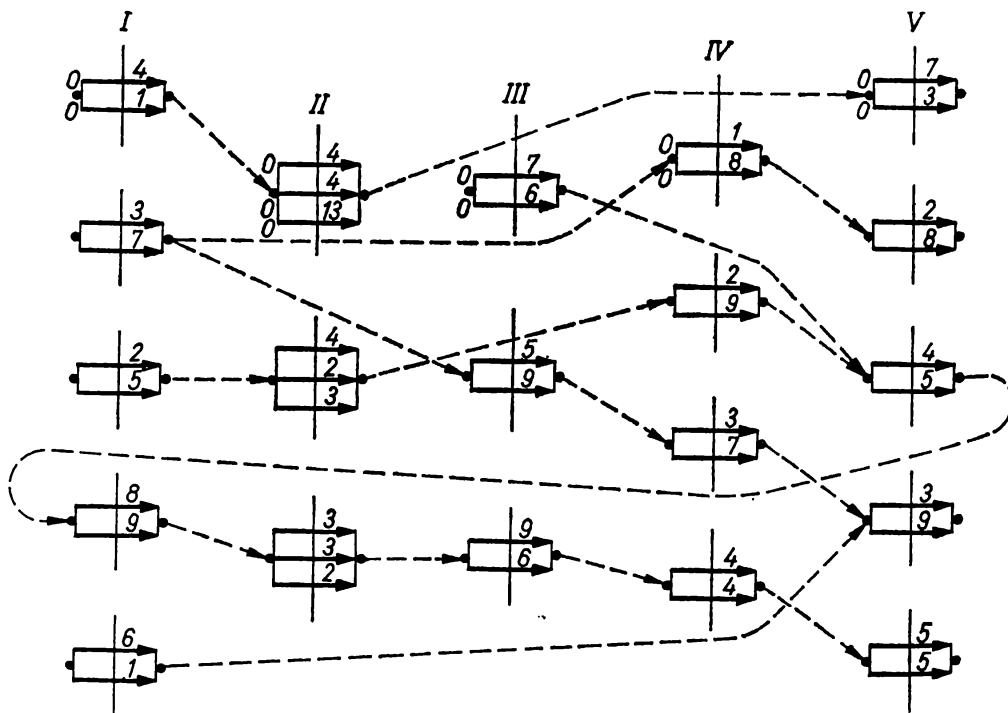


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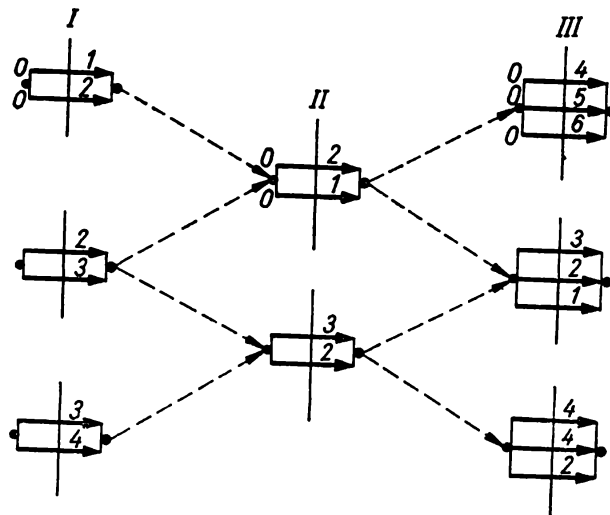


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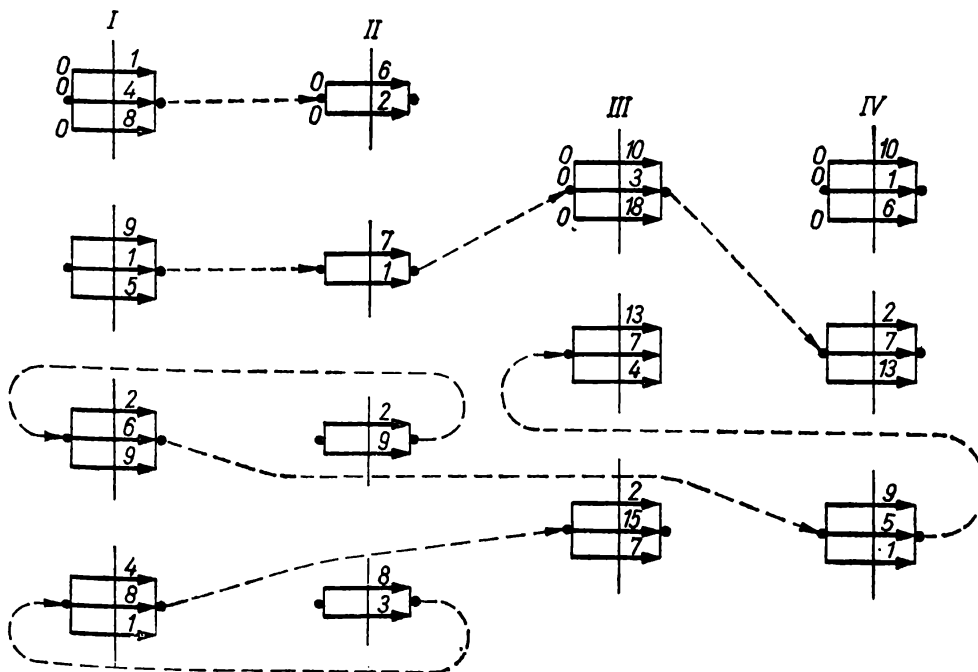


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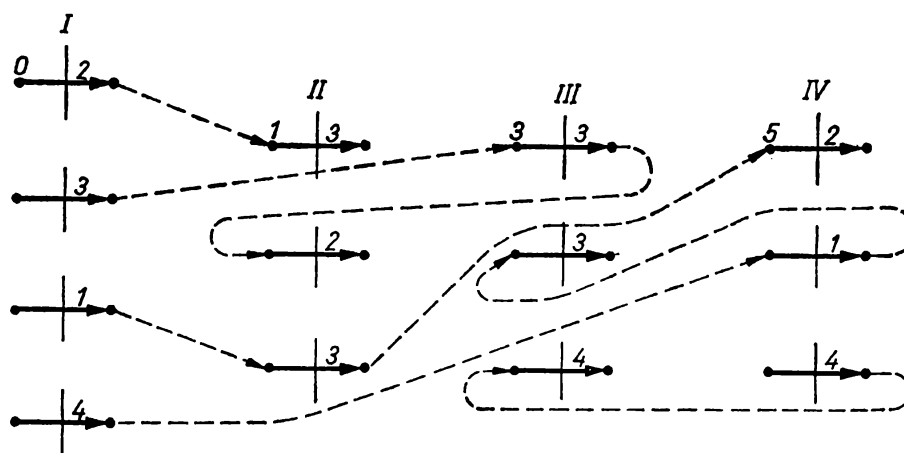


Fig. 9

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**ALGORYTM ROZWIĄZANIA ZAGADNIENIA KOLEJNOŚCIOWEGO
ZE ZBIORAMI MASZYN RÓWNOLEGŁYCH**

STRESZCZENIE

Procedura *SEQPRO* znajduje taką optymalną kolejność operacji dla zagadnienia kolejnościowego ze zbiorami maszyn równoległych, że całkowity czas wykonania wszystkich operacji jest minimalny.

Dane:

- Q – liczba zbiorów maszyn równoległych;
 M – liczba operacji;
 T – liczba par operacji, wyrażających wymagania technologiczne porządku operacji;
 MC – liczba kuzynów wszystkich zbiorów maszyn równoległych;
 LIP – liczba maszyn;
 INF – maksymalna liczba dodatnia typu *integer*;
 $MAKS$ – maksymalna liczba iteracji algorytmu;
 $NI[1: Q]$ – tablica liczb operacji; $NI[k]$ jest liczbą operacji, które mogą być wykonane na maszynach z k -tego zbioru maszyn równoległych;
 $BK[1: Q]$ – tablica liczb maszyn; $BK[k]$ jest liczbą maszyn w k -tym zbiorze maszyn równoległych;
 $RTP[1: T], RTK[1: T]$ – tablice zawierające pary operacji, które wyrażają wymagania technologiczne porządku operacji; tablice RTP i RTK zawierają odpowiednio numery poprzedników i następników każdej pary operacji;
 $O[1: MC]$ – tablica czasów wykonania operacji; $O[(i-1) \times BK[j] + 1: i \times BK[j]]$ są czasami wykonania i -tej operacji ($i = N[j-1] + 1, N[j-1] + 2, \dots, N[j]$) na maszynach z j -tego zbioru maszyn równoległych ($j = 1, 2, \dots, Q$ oraz $N[0] = 0$);
 $PP[1: LIP]$ – tablica czasów dostępu maszyn; $PP[i]$ jest momentem czasu, od którego i -ta maszyna jest dostępna.

Wyniki:

- $LK[1: M]$ – tablica numerów kuzynów w optymalnej reprezentacji;
 $SO[1: M]$ – tablica najwcześniejszych momentów rozpoczęcia operacji dla optymalnej kolejności ich wykonania;
 $SK[1: M]$ – tablica ogólnych rezerw czasów wykonania operacji;
 $LOPT$ – całkowity czas trwania wszystkich operacji.

Inne parametry:

- END – etykieta, do której następuje skok z procedury $SEQPRO$, jeżeli liczba iteracji $MAKS$ jest mniejsza niż wymagana przez algorytm.

Procedura $SEQPRO$ realizuje algorytm Grabowskiego [5] z małymi poprawkami. Działanie procedury sprawdzono na maszynie ODRA 1305. Obliczenia kontrolne, przeprowadzone dla wielu przykładów, wykazały poprawność przedstawionej procedury.