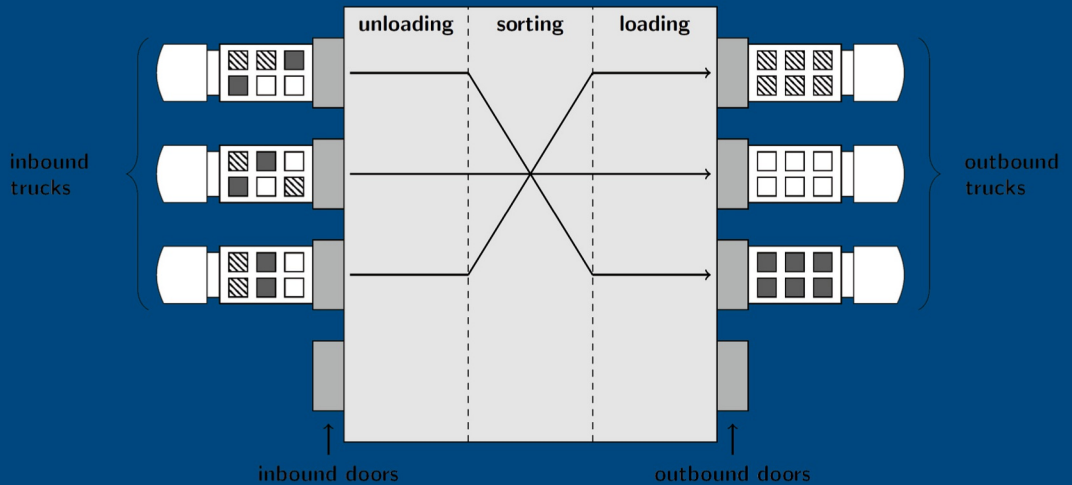


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Acronyms

CDAP	Cross Dock Assignment Problem
FCFS	First Come First Served
FRCPS	Resource-Constrained Project Scheduling Problem with flexible Resource Profiles
LP	Linear Program
LTT	less-than-truckload
NP	nondeterministic polynomial time
PHSP-LCC-flex	Parcel Hub Scheduling Problem with Limited Conveyor Capacities and Flexible Unloading Speeds
PHSP-LCC-fix	Parcel Hub Scheduling Problem with Limited Conveyor Capacities and Fixed Unloading Speeds
PHSP-LCC	Parcel Hub Scheduling Problem with Limited Conveyor Capacities

Symbols

α	parcel destination heterogeneity factor
at_j	arrival time of inbound j
β	gate scarcity factor
bl_o	total number of parcels in outbound o
C_{max}	schedule length
C_λ	completion time of λ
$conv_k$	current utilization of conveyor k
\bar{d}_λ	deadline of type λ
d_i	unloading duration of inbound i
di_m	length of interval m
d_o^{max}	last deadline
d_o	deadline of outbound truck o
dp_p	unloading duration of parcel p
$EL(t^c)$	events e in event list at time t^c
ES_u	earliest starting time at gate u
$g, u \in G$	set of inbound gates/doors
$i, j \in \mathcal{I}$	inbound trucks $\mathcal{I} = \{1, \dots, I\}$
$i \in \mathcal{I}_t \subseteq \mathcal{I}$	inbound trucks i available in period t with $\mathcal{I}_t = \{at_i, \dots, T\}$
$i \in J_t \subseteq \mathcal{I}$	available inbound trucks in period t
$k \in \mathcal{K}$	conveyor belts $\mathcal{K} = \{1, \dots, K\}$
λ	parameter reference type
l_i	number of parcels in inbound truck i
lk_{ik}	number of parcels in inbound truck i designated for conveyor k
L_{max}	maximum lateness
$load_i$	current loading status of inbound i
lr_{ik}	rate of parcels in inbound truck i designated for conveyor k per period

λ^{RK}	random key representation of a solution
$m \in \mathcal{M}$	intervals $\mathcal{M} = \{1, \dots, M\}$
$MJ_i \subseteq \mathcal{M}$	available intervals for inbound truck i
$N_t \subseteq \mathcal{M}$	active intervals at period t
μ	deadline distribution factor
$M^- \subseteq \mathcal{M}$	subset of intervals ending before the last deadline
N	population size
$o \in \mathcal{O}$	outbound trucks $\mathcal{O} = \{1, \dots, O\}$
$o \in O_k \subseteq \mathcal{O}$	subset of outbound trucks connected by conveyor belt k
$O_i^{sub} \subseteq \mathcal{O}$	random subset of outbound trucks
oc_g	status of gate g
p	standard processing time
$PA(t^c)$	parking lot status at time t^c
pc_k	remaining share of parcels for conveyor k
p_j	processing time of inbound j
\bar{p}	maximum processing time
pos_i	position of inbound truck i
pu_o	remaining share parcels for outbound o
\underline{p}	minimum processing time
q	uniformly distributed random number from the interval $[0, 1]$
r_k	capacity of conveyor k
r_k^{LB}	lower bound for the conveyor capacity
rt_{kt}	current utilization of conveyor k in period t
$s \in S$	shipments
σ	conveyor scarcity factor
seq	decoded truck sequence from random key representation of a solution
seq^l	parcel unloading sequence
$ship_{io}$	parcels for outbound truck o in inbound truck i
S_{max}	maximum inventory
S_λ	stored quantities of λ
$start_i^*$	optimized starting time for inbound i
st_m	starting period of interval m
$ST(t^c)$	system state at time t^c
$t, \tau \in \mathcal{T}$	periods $\mathcal{T} = \{1, \dots, T\}$
$t \in T_i \subseteq \mathcal{T}$	periods available for inbound truck i with $\mathcal{T}_i = \{at_i, \dots, T\}$

\bar{t}	time limit
t^c	current time
t^e	time of event e
t_{io}	transfer time from inbound i to outbound o
T_λ	tardiness of λ
T^{norm}	standard planning horizon length
U	number of inbound doors
U^{LB}	lower bound for the number of gates
u'	gate with the earliest starting time
u_{fito}	number of duly parcels for outbound truck o if inbound truck i is scheduled at period t
U_λ	number of tardy outbound trucks $\lambda = o$ or shipments $\lambda = s$
um_{mo}	percentage of duly parcels for outbound truck o if an inbound truck is scheduled in interval m
w_λ	value/weight of λ
wl_{kt}	workload on conveyor k at period t
$x_{it} \geq 0$	number of parcels unloaded in period t from inbound truck i
$x_{it}^{re} \geq 0$	number of parcels unloaded in period t from inbound truck i in reduced LP
x_{it}^{share}	share of parcels unloaded in period t from inbound truck i
x_{it}^{up}	maximum number of parcels unloaded in period t from inbound truck i in fixed schedule
x_i^{min}	minimum number of parcels unloaded each period from inbound truck i
x_i^{max}	maximum number of unloaded parcels each time period from inbound truck i
y_{it}	$= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if inbound truck } i \text{ is scheduled in period } t \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
z_i^{start}	starting time of inbound i
z_i^{end}	ending time of inbound i
z_{im}	$= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if inbound truck } i \text{ is assigned to interval } m \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

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