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#### Resumo

Em muitos países, o preço da energia varia de acordo com a política time-ofuse. Como regra geral, é vantajoso financeiramente para as indústrias planejarem sua produção considerando essa política. Esta tese apresenta um novo problema de sequenciamento de máquinas paralelas não-relacionadas bi-objetivo com tempos de preparação dependentes da sequência, no qual os objetivos são minimizar o makespan e o custo total de energia considerando máquinas com diferentes modos de operação e que o preço da eletricidade segue a política *time-of-use*. Introduzimos uma formulação de programação linear inteira mista e aplicamos o método da soma ponderada para obter uma fronteira Pareto. Também desenvolvemos métodos de otimização multiobjetivo, baseados no Multi-objective Variable Neighborhood Search com procedimento de intensificação (chamado MOVNS2) e o Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm II (NSGA-II), para tratar instâncias grandes, com pelo menos 50 tarefas, uma vez que a formulação não pode resolvê-las em um tempo computacional aceitável para a tomada de decisão. Comparamos o desempenho dos algoritmos NSGA-II e MOVNS2 com dois algoritmos de otimização multiobjetivo da literatura, o MOVNS1 e o NSGA-I, em relação às métricas de hipervolume e hierarchical cluster counting (HCC). Os resultados mostraram que os métodos propostos são capazes de encontrar uma boa aproximação para a fronteira Pareto comparado com os resultados do método de soma ponderada em instâncias pequenas, de até 10 tarefas. Quando consideramos apenas as instâncias grandes, o MOVNS2 é superior ao MOVNS1, o NSGA-I e o NSGA-II em relação à métrica de hipervolume. Além disso, o NSGA-II supera os métodos de otimização multiobjetivo NSGA-I, MOVNS1 e MOVNS2 em relação à métrica HCC. Ambos os resultados apresentam um nível de confiança de 95%. Assim, o MOVNS2 proposto é capaz de encontrar soluções não-dominadas com boa convergência e o NSGA-II com boa diversidade.

<u>Palavras-chave</u>: Máquinas paralelas não-relacionadas, custo total de energia, *makespan*, Programação linear inteira mista, MOVNS, NSGA-II, Otimização multiobjetivo.

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#### Abstract

In many countries, energy pricing varies according to the time-of-use policy. As a general rule, it is financially advantageous for the industries to plan their production considering this policy. This thesis introduces a new bi-objective unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem with sequence-dependent setup times, in which the objectives are to minimize the makespan and the total energy cost under machines with different operating modes and the time-of-use electricity price policy. We introduced a mixed-integer linear programming formulation and applied the weighted sum method to obtain the Pareto front. We also developed multi-objective methods, based on the Multi-objective Variable Neighborhood Search with intensification procedure (named MOVNS2) and Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm II (NSGA-II), to address large instances with at least 50 jobs since the formulation cannot solve it in acceptable computational time for decision-making. We compared the performance of the NSGA-II and MOVNS2 algorithms with two multi-objective algorithms of the literature, MOVNS1, and NSGA-I, concerning the hypervolume and hierarchical cluster counting (HCC) metrics. The results showed that the proposed methods are able to find a good approximation for the Pareto front compared with the presented results by the weighted sum method in small instances with up to 10 jobs. Considering only large instances, MOVNS2 is superior to MOVNS1, NSGA-I, and NSGA-II in the hypervolume metric. In addition, NSGA-II outperforms the NSGA-I, MOVNS1, and MOVNS2 multi-objective techniques concerning the HCC metric. Both results are with a 95% confidence level. Thus, the proposed MOVNS2 finds non-dominated solutions with good convergence and NSGA-II with good diversity.

<u>Keywords</u>: Unrelated parallel machine, total energy cost, makespan, Mixed-Integer Linear Programming, MOVNS, NSGA-II, Multi-objective optimization.

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# Nomenclature

ACO	Ant Colony Optimization
ACO-ATC	Ant Colony Optimization with Apparent Tardiness Cost
CEA	Combinatorial Evolutionary Algorithm
CPP	Critical Peak Pricing
DE	Differential Evolution
DR	Demand Response
EIA	Energy Information Administration
ET	Energy Tariff
GA	Genetic Algorithm
GRAPS	Greedy Randomized Adaptive Search Procedure
HV	Hypervolume
HCC	Hierarchical Cluster Counting
MILP	Mixed Integer Linear Programming
MO-ALNS	Multi-objective Adaptive Large Neighborhood Search
MO-ALNS/D	Multi-objective Adaptive Large Neighborhood Search with Decomposition
MDE	Memetic Differential Evolution
MOEA/D	Multi-objective Evolutionary Algorithm with Decomposition
MOPSO	Multi-objective Particle Swarm Optimization
MOSA	Multi-objective Simulated Annealing
MOVNS	Multi-objective Variable Neighborhood Search

NDS	Non-dominated set
NNIA	Nondominated Neighbor Immune Algorithm
NSGA-I	Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm I
NSGA-II	Non-dominated Sorting Genetic Algorithm II
NUPMSP	
PEC	Partial Energy Cost
RTP	Real-time Pricing
RPD	Relative Percentage Deviation
SPEA-2	Strength Pareto Evolutionary Algorithm 2
TEC	Total Energy Cost
TOU	Time-of-use
UPMSP	Unrelated Parallel Machine Scheduling Problem
UPMSP-SDS	Unrelated Parallel Machine Scheduling Problem with Sequence- dependent Setup Times
VNS	Variable Neighborhood Search

# Chapter 1

## Introduction

In this chapter, we introduce the contextualization of the problem addressed in Section 1.1. The motivations are in Section 1.2, while the objectives and contributions are in Section 1.3. Finally, the work structure is in Section 1.5.

### 1.1 Contextualization

The industrial sector is one of the largest energy consumers in the world. According to EIA (2016), this sector consumes around 54% of the total energy delivered globally. The energy used in this sector comes in many forms, such as liquid fuels, natural gas, coal, electricity, and others.

The manufacturing industry transforms materials, energy, and information into goods and products (Fysikopoulos et al., 2014). Among the various forms of energy, electricity has been one of the most consumed by this sector. In China, for example, it consumes about 50% of the electricity produced in that country (Liu et al., 2014).

In recent years, electricity prices have continuously increased for manufacturing companies in industrialized countries (Willeke et al., 2016). In Norway, the industrial electricity price, including taxes, increased by 47% between 2017 and 2018 (BEIS, 2020). This rise impacts production costs and can reduce the competitiveness of companies. In countries that implement a pricing policy so that the energy price depends on the time-of-use, the reduction of electricity costs can occur through production planning that prioritizes periods when energy is less expensive.  $\mathbf{2}$ 

Few studies address scheduling problems in which the energy price depends on the time-of-use tariffs. Among them, we mention Ebrahimi et al. (2020), Zeng et al. (2018), Wang et al. (2016), Shrouf et al. (2014), and Zhang et al. (2014), where the objective includes minimizing the total energy cost.

The variable operating mode is present in many real applications. For example, Fang et al. (2011) describe a manufacturing industry that cast iron plates with slots. In this example, the machines that cut the plates operate at different speeds.

On the other hand, among several scheduling environments, the unrelated parallel machine one has received much attention recently, given its wide applicability in the industry (Cota et al., 2019). In terms of performance measures, makespan minimization is one of the most common because this criterion aims at the good utilization of the machines (Pinedo, 2016). Lastly, the sequence-dependent setup times appear in many industrial and service applications (Kopanos et al., 2009). However, we found only work of Keshavarz et al. (2021) reported in the literature addressing the unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem with sequence-dependent setup times (UPMSP-SDS), considering reducing the makespan and the total energy cost. However, the previously cited work does not assume that the machines can operate at different speeds, nor that the machine power is part of the calculation of the energy cost of each job.

This thesis focuses on the problem of unrelated parallel machines with sequencedependent setup time, considering the TOU and the machine operating mode to fill this gap in the literature.

We propose the weighted sum method to solve small instances and heuristic multiobjective optimization methods to treat large problem instances. The heuristic methods developed are based on NSGA-II and MOVNS, given the wide use and efficiency of these methods in related problems (Bektur, 2021; Afzalirad and Rezaeian, 2017; Bandyopadhyay and Bhattacharya, 2013; Arroyo et al., 2011; Sun et al., 2019; Wu and Che, 2020).

#### 1.2 Motivations

The present study is motivated by at least two aspects: The first is the practical interest since there are several applications of this class of problem, for example, in the manufacturing industry (Deng et al., 2019; Ruiz et al., 2019; Shen et al., 2018), computing (Gotoda et al., 2012; Park and Dally, 2010; Wolf et al., 2008), or services (Hong et al., 2021; Senbel, 2019; Pour et al., 2018). Another relevant aspect is the theoretical interest since this problem belongs to the NP-hard class because it is a generalization of the identical parallel machine scheduling problem, which is NP-hard (Garey and Johnson, 1979).

### 1.3 Objective

#### 1.3.1 General Objective

This work has as objective to present a mathematical model and heuristic algorithms to address the unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem to minimize the makespan and the total energy cost.

#### 1.3.2 Specific Objectives

The specific objectives are the following:

- Present a new mathematical model for the unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem to minimize the makespan and the total energy cost.
- Implement a method based on the mathematical model able to find Pareto-optimal solutions for this problem.
- Build a procedure based on NSGA-II to treat large instances of the problem.
- Develop a method based on MOVNS to handle large instances of the problem.
- Compare the results of the proposed methods with literature methods.

### 1.4 Contributions

The main contributions of this work are the following:

- Introducing a new bi-objective unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem.
- Introducing a new mixed-integer linear programming formulation able to solve small instances of this problem.
- Proposing adapted versions of the NSGA-II and the MOVNS algorithms to treat large instances of this problem.
- Creating a set of instances for this problem.
- Performing an experimental study of the proposed methods.

### 1.5 Work structure

We organized the remainder of this thesis as follows: in Chapter 2, we review the literature. In Chapter 3, we detail the problem addressed, and introduce the proposed mathematical model. In Chapter 4, we show the adaptation of the NSGA-II and the MOVNS algorithms to the problem. In Chapter 5, we report the computational results, which include a comparison of the results of the proposed algorithms with the exact method on small instances and a comparison with other multi-objective algorithms on large instances. Finally, we present the conclusions and directions for future work in Chapter 6.

# Chapter 2

## **Literature Review**

Here, we provide basic concepts about scheduling problems and time-of-use policy in Sections 2.1 and 2.2, respectively. Then, in Section 2.3, we reviewed the main works found in the literature related to the problem addressed.

### 2.1 Scheduling problems

"Scheduling is a decision-making process that is used on a regular basis in many manufacturing and services industries. It deals with the allocation of resources" (Pinedo, 2016). They are applicable in several scenarios. For example, to allocate machines in a production system to execute a job (Deng et al., 2019; Ruiz et al., 2019; Shen et al., 2018), allocate the processors of the computing system to perform specific calculations (Gotoda et al., 2012; Park and Dally, 2010; Wolf et al., 2008), or allocate workers to perform services according to customer demand (Hong et al., 2021; Senbel, 2019; Pour et al., 2018).

We can describe scheduling problems by three fields notation  $(\alpha \mid \beta \mid \gamma)$  introduced by Graham et al. (1979), where the field  $\alpha$  describes the machine environment and contains only one entry. The field  $\beta$  provides details of processing characteristics and restrictions. This field can contain one, several, or no entries. The field  $\gamma$  describes the objective to be minimized.

Next, we present some examples for each field. According to Pinedo (2016), we can cite some machine environments ( $\alpha$ ):

Single machine: There is a single machine to process each job j;

- **Identical Parallel machine:** There are m identical machines in parallel. Job j requires a single operation and can be processed on any of the m machines.
- **Unrelated Parallel machine:** This environment is a generalization of the previous one. There are m different machines in parallel. For each machine i, job j has a processing time  $p_{ij}$ .
- Flow shop: There are m machines. Each job j requires one operation in each machine, to be processed. All jobs follow the same route, that is, they be processed first on machine 1, then on machine 2, and so on.
- **Parallel machine with different speeds:** There are m machines in parallel with different speeds. The speed of each machine i is denoted by  $v_i$ . The processing time  $p_i$  of job j on machine i is equal to  $p_j/v_i$ .

In addition, we quote above some processing restrictions ( $\beta$ ):

- **Release dates:** Job *j* cannot start processing before its release date.
- **Preemptions:** The job processing can stop at any time. In this way, it is possible to stop processing a job at any time and swap to another machine.
- Sequence dependent setup times: It is the time required after job j to prepare the machine to process job k. This time depends on the sequence in which the jobs are allocated on machine.

Also according to Pinedo (2016); Chiaraviglio et al. (2011), we can list some objectives for the scheduling problems ( $\gamma$ ):

- **Makespan:** It is equal to the completion time of the last job, assuming that the completion time of any job is when it finishes;
- **Total weighted tardiness:** This objective indicates the total tardiness generated by scheduling;

Total weighted earliness: It indicates the total earliness obtained by scheduling;

- Maximum Lateness: Lateness measures whether given scheduling conforms to due dates and takes negative values to early jobs.
- **Energy consumption:** The sum of energy consumed by machines to execute the jobs.
- **Energy cost:** The sum of energy consumed by machines to execute the jobs multiplied by the energy tariff.

Following this notation, the problem addressed in this thesis is denoted by:  $R_m \mid S_{ijk}, TOU \mid C_{max}, TEC$ . The field  $R_m$  identifies that the machines are parallel and unrelated.  $S_{ijk}$  means that the setup time is sequence-dependent. TOU indicates that the problem considers time-of-use policy. Lastly, the field  $\langle C_{max}, TEC \rangle$  denotes that the objectives are makespan and total energy cost, respectively.

A relevant characteristic of the problem considered in this work, and found in realworld applications, is sequence-dependent setup time. For example, in the printing industry, a printer receives various orders (an order is considered a job). Each order has different colors, sizes, or paper types. Printers (machines) must be cleaned and reset when the color, size, or paper type of the following order to be processed is different from the current order. In this case, setup times depend on the processing sequence of the jobs (Huang et al., 2010).

Another characteristic of the problem, also found in real-world applications, is energy pricing under the time-of-use policy. For example, Wang et al. (2016) present the case in a ceramic glass industry located in Shanghai, China. This company uses a furnace for heating and handling the glass. The primary energy used to heat the furnace is electricity, and its price varies according to the hour of the day.

### 2.2 Time-of-use electricity price

We can define Demand Response (DR) as the changes in electricity use by final consumers from their standard consumption profiles in response to changes in the price of electricity over time. Typically, the consumers are encouraged to reduce electricity usage at high wholesale market prices or when system reliability is compromised (Albadi and El-Saadany, 2007).

In the DR program, the customer signs a contract with the local utility to reduce their demand as and when requested. The advantage of this program for the utility is the reduction of peak load, thus saving on expensive generation reserves. For the customer, the benefit is the cost-reducing provided by the local utility (Aalami et al., 2015).

DR programs are classified into one of two categories: price-based and incentivebased DR programs. The first category refers to change in electricity consumption by the end-use customer in response to dynamic prices. This category includes the TOU (time-of-use) rate, RTP (real-time pricing), and CPP (critical peak pricing), and they are entirely voluntary. The second category is designed by operators and includes Direct Load Control, Interruptible/Curtailable service, Demand Bidding, Emergency DR, Capacity Market, and Ancillary services market program. These programs give participating customers incentive payments and consider penalties for customers who enroll but do not respond in the needed time, depending on the program types and conditions (Falsafi et al., 2014). This thesis focuses on the TOU program, which is briefly introduced in the following.

The TOU is the most popular pricing method among DR strategies (Ding et al., 2016). It is a method of demand-side management in which the price varies hourly on the day. It is an alternative to the traditional time-invariant rate because it encourages consumers to change their electricity usage patterns. It serves as a cost-effective way to realize electricity demand response and reduce peak demand (Wang and Li, 2015).

We can divide the TOU into two groups based on the hour of the day, on-peak and off-peak. On-peak is the time of day when energy demand is highest. Off-peak rates are during the time of day when energy demand is lowest. Usually, the DR program offers a high price of electricity during on-peak periods and lower prices during off-peak periods (Cheng et al., 2019).

### 2.3 Related works

Here, we present a literature review with previous research that addressed scheduling problems and also considered objectives related to this work.

Some studies address the scheduling problem only to minimize energy consumption.

Shrouf et al. (2014) proposed a mathematical model for the single machine scheduling problem to minimize the total costs of energy considering continuous changes in energy prices (time-of-use), and preemption is not allowed. The planning horizon is divided
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into several segments of equal length (called periods). However, the model cannot solve large instances within a reasonable computational time for decision-making. For this reason, they also proposed a genetic algorithm. The computational results indicated the possibility of reducing energy consumption by up to 30% when they compared the genetic algorithm solution and the "as soon as possible" heuristic solution.

Tsao et al. (2020) presented a fuzzy model integrated into a genetic algorithm for a single machine problem to minimize the total costs of energy, considering constraint carbon footprint, constraint makespan, variable electricity prices (time-of-use), and preemption is allowed. The processing time of the jobs depends on the allocation of sources. To deal with uncertainty related to resource allocation costs, they adopted a fuzzy approach combined with a Genetic Algorithm to decide machine status ("on" or "idle"), processing time, and jobs sequence. They tested the method in instances of up to 200 jobs. The results indicated a 4.20% reduction in total energy consumption compared to the traditional genetic algorithm.

Other studies address the scheduling problem aim minimizing energy consumption combined with a second objective.

Cota et al. (2018) proposed a mathematical model and applied a mathematical heuristic called multi-objective smart pool search for the UPMSP-SDS. The objective functions are to minimize the makespan and the total energy consumption. This study assumed operating mode on machines. In the experiments, they used a set of instances with up to fifteen jobs and five machines randomly generated. They adopted hypervolume and set coverage metrics to compare the proposed algorithm with the  $\epsilon$ -constraint exact method. They concluded that the objectives are conflicting and that energy consumption is very important since it represents a cost for the industry.

Cota et al. (2019) introduced the MO-ALNS and MO-ALNS/D algorithms to treat instances of up to 250 jobs and 30 machines of the same problem described previously. The MO-ALNS algorithm is a multi-objective version of the Adaptive Large Neighborhood Search – ALNS (Ropke and Pisinger, 2006), in its turn, the MO-ALNS/D algorithm combines the multi-objective MOEA/D (Zhang and Li, 2007) with ALNS. The results show that the MO-ALNS/D algorithm was able to find better results than MO-ALNS in most instances in the hypervolume, set coverage, and Hierarchical Cluster Counting (HCC) (Guimarães et al., 2009) metrics.

Wu and Che (2019) proposed a memetic differential evolution (MDE) algorithm for the UPMSP in which the objectives are also to minimize the makespan and the total energy consumption. They considered the operating mode but did not consider sequence-dependent setup times. The problem involves assigning jobs to machines and selecting an appropriate processing speed level for each job. They proposed a local search approach integrated with the DE algorithm to improve it. The computational results showed that the proposed approach significantly improves the basic DE. Also, the MDE outperforms the SPEA-2 and NSGA-II algorithms.

Liang et al. (2015) presented the Ant Colony Optimization algorithm with the Apparent Tardiness Cost (ACO-ATC) rule for the UPMSP, aiming to minimize the weighted sum of the total tardiness and the energy consumption. In this problem, machines need to wait until jobs are ready. However, it is necessary to decide whether the machine remains on or off during the wait. Turning off the machine and waiting until the job is ready saves energy. On the other hand, keeping the machine turned on and waiting for the next job saves the setup time required when turning on the machine. This problem considers setup time to the jobs, but it is not sequence-dependent. In the experiments, they compared the ACO-ATC results with the classic ACO and a GRASP-based algorithm (Feo and Resende, 1995) on 91 instances, with 5 runs for each instance. The proposed algorithm was better than the other approaches in most tested instances.

We found studies that only address the minimization of the total energy cost.

Ding et al. (2016) presented two approaches to UPMSP: the first introduces a timeinterval-based Mixed Integer Linear Programming (MILP) formulation. The second is a reformulation of the problem using the Dantzig-Wolfe decomposition and a column generation heuristic. They considered the operating mode but did not consider the setup time for the problem. The objective is to minimize total energy cost. According to the results, the MILP formulation overcame the column generation method concerning solution quality and execution time when electricity prices stay stable for a relatively long period. On the other hand, the column generation method performed better when the electricity price frequently changed (i.e., every half hour). They performed computational experiments with 120 randomly generated instances.

Cheng et al. (2018) improved the formulation by Ding et al. (2016) by significantly reducing the number of decision variables. They performed computational experiments with 120 randomly generated instances as they could not obtain the instances of Ding et al. (2016). They reformulated some constraints such as job completion, machine availability, and non-preemption. They proposed a tighter and more compact model. The results showed that the new formulation achieves better results concerning the solution quality and execution time.

Saberi-Aliabad et al. (2020) proposed the fix-and-relax heuristic algorithm in two stages for the same problem previously described. In the first stage of the algorithm, jobs are assigned to the machines, and the second one solves a scheduling problem on single machines. They tested their method in 360 instances randomly generated following the same parameter values as previous studies. They compared the proposed method with the algorithms of Che et al. (2017) and Cheng et al. (2018). The results showed that the fix-and-relax algorithm overcame the others.

Finally, we present studies that address the scheduling problem considering minimizing the energy cost combined with another objective.

Zeng et al. (2018) dealt with the bi-objective uniform parallel machine scheduling to minimize the total energy cost and the number of machines under the TOU electricity pricing. They considered the operating mode on machines. They proposed a new mathematical model and a heuristic algorithm for it. They adapted the heuristic proposed by Che et al. (2016) to the single machine problem. In this heuristic, the jobs are inserted in non-decreasing order of their processing time. In the mathematical formulation, it was used the number of machines m as a constraint. In this way, it is possible to obtain the Pareto front by changing the value of m. They compared the heuristic and the mathematical model results in instances with up to 60 jobs. Moreover, they tested the heuristic algorithm in instances with up to 5000 jobs, randomly generated, and in instances from a manufacturing company in Shaanxi Province, China. They concluded that the heuristic algorithm generates high-quality solutions within a reasonable time limit.

Moon et al. (2013) addressed the UPMSP under the TOU electricity pricing to minimize the weighted sum of makespan and energy cost. The problem does not consider the machine setup time. They present a hybrid genetic insertion algorithm. Computational tests indicate that the proposed algorithm reduces the total energy cost compared to the classical genetic algorithm. Cheng et al. (2019) presented a mathematical formulation and a genetic algorithm for a problem similar to described previously. The proposed model can solve the instances of Moon et al. (2013) quickly . They randomly generated instances with 2 to 3 machines and 5 to 9 jobs to verify the effectiveness of the proposed model. The results presented by their formulation overcome that of the genetic algorithm in terms of solution quality. Kurniawan et al. (2017) proposed a genetic algorithm with a delay mechanism for the same problem addressed by Moon et al. (2013). The job delay mechanism improves the schedule since delaying the start of jobs avoids the high electricity price period. The proposed algorithm uses a probabilistic method to determine which jobs must be delayed and how long to delay. The proposed algorithm handled instances of up to 30 jobs and 15 machines. The results showed that the proposed method provided better solutions than the classical genetic algorithm.

Kurniawan et al. (2020) proposed a triple-chromosome genetic algorithm for the same problem described previously. The triple-chromosome represents the job sequencing, the job assignment, and the starting time of the job. The results showed that the proposed method performs better than other methods tested: classical genetic algorithm, doublechromosome genetic algorithm, and single-chromosome genetic algorithm.

Zhang et al. (2021) approached the unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem with sequence and machine-dependent setup times (UPMSP-SMDST) with limited worker resources and learning effect, denoted by NUPMSP. In this problem, the workers who perform the machine setup have different skill levels. Due to the learning effect, this skill will increase until it reaches the maximum level. Also, the number of workers is limited. The objective is to minimize makespan and total energy cost. They proposed a new combinatorial evolutionary algorithm (CEA) and compared it to the neighbor immune algorithm (NNIA) and the NSGA-II. Based on the result obtained in 72 instances, they concluded that CEA outperformed the other algorithms in almost all instances.

Keshavarz et al. (2021) addressed UPMSP with sequence-dependent setup times to minimize makespan and energy consumption under TOU electricity pricing. They presented a mixed-integer bi-objective mathematical model and applied the  $\epsilon$ -constraint method to solve small with up to 10 jobs and medium-sized instances with 12 to 45 jobs. They applied the Multiple Objective Particle Swarm Optimization algorithm (MOPSO) and the Multiple Objective Simulated Annealing algorithm (MOSA) to large-sized instances with 60 to 250 jobs. The results indicated that the MOSA performs better than the MOPSO.

The problem addressed in this work is similar to that defined in the study of Keshavarz et al. (2021). However, there are some differences. In the present work, we assume that the machine can operate in different modes to process a job. The operating mode affects the processing time and consequently the energy cost. In addition, we use the power of the machine to calculate the energy cost of a job. Table 2.1 summarizes the characteristics of scheduling problems treated by our work compared to literature references.

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Reference	Unrelated parallel machines	Sequence- dependent setup	Makespan	'l'otal energy cost	time- of- use	Multi- objective	Exact method	Metaheuristic method	Operating mode
Moon et al. (2013)	>		>	>	>	>		>	
Shrouf et al. (2014)				>	>		>	>	
Liang et al. $(2015)$	>					>	>	>	
Ding et al. $(2016)$	>			>	>		>		>
Kurniawan et al. (2017)	>		>	>	>	>		>	
Cota et al. (2018)	>	>	>			>	>		>
Cheng et al. (2018)	>			>	>		>		
Zeng et al. (2018)				>	>	>	>	>	>
Cota et al. (2019)	>	>	>			>		>	>
Wu and Che $(2019)$	>		>			>		>	>
Cheng et al. $(2019)$	>		>	>	>	>	>		
Tsao et al. $(2020)$				>	>		>	>	
Saberi-Aliabad et al. (2020)	>			>	>		>	>	
Kurniawan et al. (2020)	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	
Zhang et al. $(2021)$	>	>	>	>	>	>		>	
Keshavarz et al. (2021)	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	
Our proposal	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>

Table 2.1: Summary of characteristics addressed by our work compared to literature studies.

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# Chapter 3

# **Proposed Mathematical Model**

In this chapter, we detail, in Section 3.1, the notation used to describe the problem. The mathematical formulation is in Section 3.2. Finally, we present a numerical example with dummy data for the problem addressed in Section 3.3.

# 3.1 Notation

To define the UPMSP-SDS, we characterize the problem in this section and introduce a MILP formulation to solve it.

The following are the characteristics of the problem addressed in this work:

- There are a set  $N = \{1, ..., n\}$  of jobs, a set  $M = \{1, ..., m\}$  of machines, and a set  $L = \{1, ..., o\}$  of different operating modes, such that each operating mode  $l \in L$  is associated with a multiplication factor of speed  $v_l$  and a multiplication factor of power  $\lambda_l$ ;
- The machines are unrelated parallel. In other words, the processing time of job  $j \in N$  can be different on each machine  $i \in M$ ;
- There is a planning horizon that consists of a set  $H = \{0, ..., |H|\}$  of time instants, and we must execute all jobs within this horizon;
- All jobs are available to be processed at the beginning of the planning horizon h = 0;

- Each job  $j \in N$  must be allocated to exactly one machine  $i \in M$ ;
- There is a processing time  $P_{ij}$  to execute a job  $j \in N$  on a machine  $i \in M$ ;
- There is a sequence-dependent setup time  $S_{ijk}$  to execute a job  $k \in N$  after another job  $j \in N$  on a machine  $i \in M$ ;
- Each machine  $i \in M$  has a power  $\pi_i$  at normal operating speed;
- The operating mode  $l \in L$  of each job determines the multiplication factor of power  $(\lambda_l)$ . It also determines the multiplication factor of speed  $(V_l)$ , which, in turn, is related to the processing time of each job;
- There is a set D of days on the planning horizon H;
- Each day is discretized into *sizeD* time intervals. For example, for discretizing a day in minutes, *sizeD* = 1440; for the discretization of one day in hours, *sizeD* = 24;
- To each day  $t \in H$ , we have a peak hour, which starts at the time  $startp_t \in H$ and ends at the time  $endp_t \in H$ ;
- $ET^{off}$  and  $ET^{on}$  represent the energy tariff (KWh) in off-peak and on-peak hours, respectively.

Table 3.1 presents the decision and auxiliary variables needed to model the problem.

Name	Description
$X_{ijhl}$	Binary variable that assumes value 1 if the job $j$ is allocated on the machine $i$ at time $h$ and in the operating mode $l$ , and value 0, atherwise
	otherwise
$PEC_t^{on}$	Partial Energy Cost (\$) during the on-peak in day $t \in D$
$PEC_t^{off}$	Partial Energy Cost (\$) during the off-peak in day $t \in D$
$C_{\max}$	The maximum completion time of the jobs, also known as makespan
TEC	Total Energy Cost (\$)

Table 3.1: Decision and auxiliary variables for the problem

# 3.2 Formulation

Based on the formulation of Pinto et al. (2019), we can define the problem through Equations (3.1) - (3.12).

min  $C_{\text{max}}$  (3.1)

min 
$$TEC$$
 (3.2)

Subject to:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{o} \sum_{h=0}^{|H| - \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil} X_{ijhl} = 1 \qquad \qquad \forall j \in N$$

$$(3.3)$$

$$X_{ijhl} + \sum_{u=h}^{\min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil + S_{ijk} - 1, |H|\right)} \sum_{l_1 = 1}^{o} X_{ikul_1} \le 1 \quad \forall i \in M, j \in N, k \in N, l \in L, j \neq k$$
(3.4)

$$C_{\max} \ge X_{ijhl} \times \left[ h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil \right], \qquad \forall i \in M, j \in N, h \in H, l \in L \qquad (3.5)$$

$$PEC_t^{off} \ge \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^o \frac{\lambda_l \times \pi_i \times ET^{off} \times 24}{sizeD} \times$$
(3.6)

$$\begin{cases} \sum_{h=sizeD\times(t-1)}^{startp_t-1} X_{ijhl} \times \\ \left[\min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil, startp_t\right) - h + \max\left(0, h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil - endp_t - 1\right)\right] \\ + \sum_{h=startp_t}^{endp_t-1} X_{ijhl} \times \left[\max\left(0, h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil - endp_t - 1\right)\right] \\ + \sum_{h=endp_t}^{|H|-1} X_{ijhl} \times \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_l} \right\rceil \right\} \qquad \forall t \in D$$

$$PEC_{t}^{on} \geq \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{l=1}^{o} \frac{\lambda_{l} \times \pi_{i} \times ET^{on} \times 24}{sizeD} \times$$

$$\left\{ \sum_{h=sizeD \times (t-1)}^{startp_{t}-1} X_{ijhl} \times \left[ \max\left(0, \min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_{l}} \right\rceil - 1, endp_{t} \right) - (startp_{t} - 1) \right) \right] + \sum_{h=startp_{t}}^{endp_{t}-1} X_{ijhl} \times \left[ \min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{ij}}{V_{l}} \right\rceil, endp_{t} + 1 \right) - h \right] \right\} \qquad \forall t \in D$$

$$TEC \geq \sum_{t=1}^{sizeD} \left( PEC_{t}^{off} + PEC_{t}^{on} \right) \qquad (3.8)$$

$$X_{ijhl} \in \{0, 1\} \qquad \qquad \forall i \in M, j \in N, h \in H, l \in L \qquad (3.9)$$

$$C_{\max} \ge 0 \tag{3.10}$$

$$PEC_t^{off} \ge 0 \qquad \qquad \forall t \in D \qquad (3.11)$$

$$PEC_t^{on} \ge 0 \qquad \qquad \forall t \in D \qquad (3.12)$$

The objectives of the problem are to minimize, simultaneously, the makespan and the total energy cost, defined by Equations (3.1) and (3.2), respectively. The constraint set (3.3) ensures that every job  $j \in N$  is allocated on a machine with a single operating mode and ends its execution inside the planning horizon. Constraints (3.4) define that if the job k is assigned to machine i immediately after the job j, then the start time of the job k must be greater than the sum of the end time of the job j and the setup time between them. It is important to highlight that the setup and processing times must satisfy the triangular inequality for the previous model to be valid (Rosa and Souza, 2009). The constraint set (3.5) determines a lower bound for the makespan. Constraints (3.6) and (3.7) define a lower bound in the partial energy cost for off-peak hours ( $PEC^{off}$ ) and in the partial energy cost for on-peak hours ( $PEC^{on}$ ), respectively. Note that a job can be partially executed in the on-peak hours and partially in the off-peak hours and that the total energy cost is directly related to the energy price and the job execution time. Constraint (3.8) ensures a lower bound for the total energy cost. Constraints (3.9)-(3.12) define the domain of the decision and auxiliary variables of the problem.

We generalize the model proposed by Pinto et al. (2019) in the present work to solve planning horizons with more than one day. Furthermore, our model makes it possible to discretize the day in any time interval and not only in 10-minute intervals.

The calculation of the energy cost of a job j depends on its execution time during the on-peak and off-peak time. Thus, there are six possible cases:

**Case 1:** The job *j* starts and ends before the on-peak hours;

**Case 2:** The job *j* starts before the on-peak hours and ends in the on-peak hours;

Case 3: The job j starts and ends in the on-peak hours;

**Case 4:** The job *j* starts during the on-peak hours and ends after the on-peak hours;

**Case 5:** The job *j* starts and ends after the on-peak hours;

**Case 6:** The job *j* starts before the on-peak hours and ends after the on-peak hours.

## 3.3 Numerical Example

To illustrate cases 1 to 5, let Figure 3.1. It shows the execution of five jobs  $N = \{2, 4, 1, 5, 3\}$  in the scheduling of a single machine i = 1 in a single operating mode l = 1 on day t = 1 of the planning horizon. Let the start of the on-peak hours  $(startp_1)$  equal to 18; the end of the on-peak hours  $(endp_1)$  equal to 21; the multiplication factor of power  $(\lambda_l)$  equal to 1; the energy consumption of machine at normal operating  $(\pi_1)$  equal to 100; the energy tariff in the on-peak hours  $(ET^{on})$  equal to 0.10 (KWh and in the off-peak hours  $(ET^{off})$  equal to 0.05 (KWh; the multiplication factor of speed  $v_l$  equal to 1. In this example, we consider discretization in hours. This figure shows that jobs 4, 1, and 5 are performed in the on-peak hours, partially or totally, and jobs 2 and 3, in turn, in the off-peak hours.

For this example, Eqs. (3.7) and (3.6) are reduced to Eqs. (3.13) and (3.14) below:



Figure 3.1: Example to illustrate the calculation of the energy cost on a machine

$$PEC_{1}^{on} = \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1 \times 100 \times 0.10 \times 24}{24}}_{\text{Parcel 1(a)}} \times$$
(3.13)  
$$\underbrace{\left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{18-1} X_{1jh1} \times \left[ \max\left(0, \min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right\rceil - 1, 21\right) - (18 - 1) \right) \right] \right\}}_{\text{Parcel 2(b)}} \\ + \underbrace{\sum_{h=18}^{21-1} X_{1jh1} \times \left[ \min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right\rceil, 21 + 1 \right) - h \right] \right\}}_{\text{Parcel 3(c)}} \\ PEC_{1}^{off} = \underbrace{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1 \times 100 \times 5 \times 24}{24}}_{\text{Parcel 1(d)}} \times$$
(3.14)  
$$\underbrace{\left\{ \sum_{h=0}^{18-1} X_{1jh1} \times \left[ \min\left(h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right\rceil, 18 \right) - h + \max\left(0, h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right\rceil - 21 - 1 \right) \right] \right\}}_{\text{Parcel 2(e)}} \\ + \underbrace{\sum_{h=18}^{21-1} X_{1jh1} \times \left[ \max\left(0, h + \left\lceil \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right\rceil - 21 - 1 \right) \right]}_{\text{Parcel 3(f)}} \\ + \underbrace{\sum_{h=21}^{24-1} X_{1jh1} \times \left[ \frac{P_{1j}}{1} \right] \right\}}_{\text{Parcel 4(g)}} \end{aligned}$$

Table 3.2 illustrates the contribution of each job to the total energy cost, according to

the example in Figure 3.1. The column "# Job" represents the job, the column "Case" shows the contemplated case, and the columns "Contr. on-peak" and "Contr. off-peak" show the contributions of the job to the energy cost of each job in the on-peak and off-peak hours, respectively.

#Job	Case	Contr. on-peak hours	Contr. off-peak hours
2	1	$\underbrace{10}_{(1)} \times \underbrace{(0)}_{(1)} + \underbrace{0}_{(1)} = 0$	$\underbrace{5}_{(1)} \times \underbrace{(11}_{(1)} + \underbrace{0}_{(2)} + \underbrace{0}_{(1)} = 55$
		(a) (b) (c)	(d) (e) (f) (g)
4	2	$10 \times (1 + 0) = 10$	$5 \times (2 + 0 + 0) = 10$
		(a) (b) (c)	
1	3	$\underbrace{10} \times (\underbrace{0} + \underbrace{1}) = 10$	$\underbrace{5} \times (\underbrace{0} + \underbrace{0} + \underbrace{0}) = 0$
		(a) (b) (c)	
5	4	$\underbrace{10} \times (\underbrace{0} + \underbrace{1}) = 10$	$5 \times (0 + 1 + 0) = 5$
		(a) (b) (c)	$(d) \qquad (e) \qquad (f) \qquad (g)$
3	5	$\underbrace{10} \times \underbrace{0} + \underbrace{0} =$	$\underbrace{5} \times (\underbrace{0} + \underbrace{0} + \underbrace{1}) = 5$
		(a) (b) (c)	(d) $(e)$ $(f)$ $(g)$

Table 3.2: Energy cost by job in the Example of Figure 3.1

The total energy cost found to the schedule shown in Figure 3.1 is 105.

To illustrate case 6, consider Figure 3.2. It shows the execution of three jobs  $N = \{2, 1, 3\}$  on a single machine i = 1 in operating mode l = 1 during day t = 1 of the planning horizon. Let also the start of the on-peak hours  $(startp_1)$  equal to 18; the end of the on-peak hours  $(endp_1)$  equal to 21; the multiplication factor of power  $(\lambda_l)$  equal to 1; the energy consumption of machines at normal operation  $(\pi_1)$  equal to 100; the energy tariff in the on-peak hours  $(ET^{on})$  equal to 0.10 /KWh and in the off-peak hours  $(ET^{off})$  equal to 0.05 /KWh; and the multiplication factor of speed equal to 1. Such as in the previous example, we consider discretization in hours. This figure shows that job 1 is performed in the on-peak hours and jobs 2 and 3, in turn, in the off-peak hours.



Figure 3.2: Schedule example for case 6

The contribution of job 1 to the energy cost in the on-peak hours is 30, and the contribution to the cost in the off-peak hours is 50.

Thus, calculating similarly to the previous example, we conclude that the total energy cost for the schedule shown in Figure 3.2 is 155.

# Chapter 4

# **Proposed Algorithms**

In this chapter, we present the algorithms to treat the problem in this study. In Section 4.1, we detail the Weighted Sum Method. In Section 4.2, we show the representation and evaluation of the solution used by metaheuristics algorithms. In Sections 4.3 and 4.4, we present the NSGA-II and MOVNS algorithms, respectively.

# 4.1 Weighted Sum Method

We used the weighted sum method (Marler and Arora, 2004) to solve the multiobjective optimization problem addressed using a mathematical programming solver. This method converts the multi-objective problem into a single objective problem using the weighted sum of the objectives.

For this, consider Equation (4.1):

min 
$$z(X) = \left[ \alpha \times \left( \frac{C_{\max}(X)}{|H|} \right) + (1 - \alpha) \times \left( \frac{TEC(X)}{Cost_{\max}} \right) \right]$$
 (4.1)

where:

•  $\alpha$ : Real number in range [0, 1];

- |H|: Represents the cardinality of the set H;
- Cost<sub>max</sub>: It is the estimate for the maximum energy cost used to normalize the total energy cost.

and:

$$Cost_{\max} = n \times \max\left(\frac{P_{ij}}{V_l}\right) \times PEC^{on} \times \max(\pi_i)$$

The problem constraints are those defined by Equations (3.3)-(3.12).

Algorithm 4.1 describes all the steps of the weighted sum method implemented.

Algorithm 4.1: Weighted Sum Method			
$\mathbf{input}: \Delta = \{lpha_1, lpha_2, \cdots, lpha_{sv}\},  time_{-}limit$			
$_{1} NDS \leftarrow \emptyset$			
2 foreach $\alpha_i \in \Delta$ do			
model_result $\leftarrow$ RunWeightedSumModel $(\alpha_i, time_limit)$			
s.Makespan $\leftarrow \texttt{GetMakespan}(model_result)$			
$5$ s.TEC $\leftarrow$ GetTEC(model_result)			
$6  NDS \leftarrow AddSolution(s)$			
7 end			
s return NDS			

Algorithm 4.1 receives the set  $\Delta$  with the values for  $\alpha$  and the time limit as input. In line 1, we initialize the non-dominated set (NDS) as empty. Then, we execute the loop defined between lines 2-7 for each value  $\alpha$ . In line 3, we obtain the result from the execution of the model. Then, we get the Makespan and TEC values resulting from the model execution. Then, in line 6, we add the solution obtained to the NDS. Finally, in line 8, the method returns the generated non-dominated set.

In the weighted sum method, the decision-maker must define a weight for each objective function. The value of this weight reflects the relative importance of each objective in the overall solution. We adopted several combinations of weights to find the most significant number of optimal Pareto solutions to the problem addressed.

We used the following parameters for Algorithm 4.1:

• The set  $\Delta = \{0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1\}$  with the possible values

for  $\alpha$ ;

- The time limit for each execution of the mathematical model, defined as time\_limit =  $800 \times n \times \ln(m)$  seconds for each  $\alpha$  value, where m is the number of machines, and n is the number of jobs;
- sizeD = 144: To discretize the day at intervals of 10 minutes each.

Since the problem addressed is a generalization of the identical parallel machine scheduling problem, which is NP-hard (Garey and Johnson, 1979), we can conclude that it also belongs to this problem class. For this reason, we used heuristic multi-objective algorithms to treat it. In this chapter, we present the proposed NSGA-II in Section 4.3 and the MOVNS2 in Section 4.4.

## 4.2 Representation and evaluation of the solution

We represent a solution by m lists. In each position of these lists, we have a pair of keys. The first value indicates the job, and the second is associated with the operating mode. We exemplify in Figure 4.1 the representation of a solution for an instance with two machines and six jobs. We allocate jobs 6, 4, and 2 on machine M1 and define the operating modes 3, 1, and 1 in this order. In addition, we have allocated jobs 3, 5, and 1 on machine M2 and set the operating modes 2, 3, and 1 in this order. Note that the rectangles represent the jobs, and the circles represent the operating modes.



Figure 4.1: Representation of the solution

We evaluate a solution according the Equations (3.1) and (3.2).

# 4.3 NSGA-II

The NSGA-II algorithm was proposed by Deb et al. (2002). There are in literature many reports of successful use of this algorithm (Deb et al., 2007; Liu et al., 2014; Wang et al., 2017; Babazadeh et al., 2018). This algorithm is an alternative to the exact method described in the previous section to find an approximation of the Pareto-optimal front in large instances in an adequate computational time for decision-making.

Algorithm 4.2 describes how the implemented NSGA-II works.

Algorithm 4.2: NSGA-II			
input: size <sub>pop</sub> , prob <sub>mut</sub> , stopping_criterion			
$1 P_0 \leftarrow \text{Generate initial population of } size_{pop} \text{ individuals}$			
$2 \ Q_0 \leftarrow \emptyset$			
$\mathbf{s} \ t \leftarrow 0$			
4 while stopping_criterion not satisfied do			
$S \qquad R_t \leftarrow P_t \cup Q_t$			
$\mathcal{F} \leftarrow \texttt{Fast non-dominated sorting}(R_t)$			
$P_{t+1} \leftarrow \emptyset$			
$\mathbf{s} \mid i \leftarrow 1$			
Compute Crowding Distance $(\mathcal{F}_i)$			
$P_{t+1} \leftarrow P_{t+1} \cup \mathcal{F}_i$			
$i \leftarrow i+1$			
13 end			
14 $  \mathbf{if}   P_{t+1}   < size_{pop} \mathbf{then}$			
15 Sort $(\mathcal{F}_i,\prec_{obj})$			
16 $j = 1$			
7 while $ P_{t+1}  < size_{pop} \operatorname{do}$			
$P_{t+1} \leftarrow P_{t+1} \cup \mathcal{F}_i[j]$			
$j \leftarrow j+1$			
end			
1 end			
$\mathbf{Q}_{t+1} \leftarrow \mathtt{Crossover}(P_{t+1})$			
<b>23</b> $Q_{t+1} \leftarrow Mutation(Q_{t+1}, prob_{mut})$			
$24  \left  \begin{array}{c} t \leftarrow t + 1 \end{array} \right  $			
25 end			
<b>26</b> NDS $\leftarrow$ non-dominated solutions of $P_t$			
27 return NDS			

Algorithm 4.2 receives the following input parameters: the population size  $(size_{pop})$ , the probability of mutation  $(prob_{mut})$ , and the stopping\_criterion. In line 1, we create an initial population  $P_0$ . Then, in the main loop (lines 4–25), we combine the parent  $P_t$  and offspring  $Q_t$  to generate a new population  $R_t$  (line 5). In line 6, we apply the fast non-dominated sorting method to divide the population  $R_t$  into non-dominated sets, called fronts,  $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \ldots, \mathcal{F}_k$ . A front  $\mathcal{F}_i$  dominates another  $\mathcal{F}_j$ , if and only if, i < j and  $R_t = \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \ldots \mathcal{F}_k$ . In lines 9–13, we select the best fronts of  $\mathcal{F}$  to include in the population  $P_{t+1}$  without exceeding the population size. Then we check the size of the population obtained. If it is not exactly  $size_{pop}$ , we sort the next front i of  $\mathcal{F}$  that has not yet been included in  $P_{t+1}$ , according to the crowding distance, and we select the first  $size_{pop} - |P_{t+1}|$  individuals to population  $P_{t+1}$ . In lines 22 and 23, we apply the crossover and mutation operators to generate the new population  $Q_{t+1}$ , with  $size_{pop}$  individuals.

The following subsections describe the Fast non-dominated sorting, the Crowding Distance procedures, how to generate an initial population, the crossover operators, and the mutation operators, respectively.

### 4.3.1 Fast non-dominated sorting

The NSGA-II algorithm uses the Fast Non-Dominated Sorting method to sort a population. It has complexity  $O(n_obj \times size_{pop}^2)$ , where  $n_obj$  is the number of objectives and  $size_{pop}$  is the size of the population. This method receives a population P as an input parameter and returns a set of non-dominated fronts  $\mathcal{F} = (\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \ldots, \mathcal{F}_k)$ .

The Fast Non-Dominated Sorting method is defined by Algorithm 4.3:

In the loop between lines 1 and 15 of Algorithm 4.3, we select each p solution of P. In the loop between lines 4 and 11, we choose each q solution of P, which q is different from p. Then, we check if p dominates q. If yes, we insert the solution q into the set  $S_p$ . In contrast, if q dominates p, we increment  $n_p$  by one. Next, we check which solutions have the value  $n_p$  equal to zero (line 12). The solutions with the value  $n_p$  equal to zero are non-dominated, so they must be included in the  $\mathcal{F}_1$  front (line 13).

Then, the algorithm starts another loop (lines 17 - 29) to generate the others fronts. We create each front  $\mathcal{F}_i$  in this loop, selecting each q non-dominated solution that is not yet on another front. We repeat this loop to generate new fronts from P as long as possible.

Algorithm 4.3: Fast Non-Dominated Sorting

```
input: P
  1 foreach p \in P do
            S_p \leftarrow \emptyset
  \mathbf{2}
           n_p = 0
  3
           foreach q \in P do
  \mathbf{4}
                 if (p \prec q) then
 \mathbf{5}
                   | S_p \leftarrow S_p \cup \{q\}
 6
                  end
 \mathbf{7}
                  else if (q \prec p) then
  8
                   n_p \leftarrow n_p + 1
 9
                  end
10
           end
11
           if (n_p = 0) then
12
                 \mathcal{F}_1 \leftarrow \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \{p\}
\mathbf{13}
           end
14
15 end
16 i \leftarrow 1
    while \mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset do
17
           Q \gets \emptyset
18
           for each p \in \mathcal{F}_i do
19
                 for
each q \in S_p do
\mathbf{20}
                        n_q \leftarrow n_q - 1
\mathbf{21}
                        if (n_q = 0) then
\mathbf{22}
                              Q \leftarrow Q \cup q
23
                        end
\mathbf{24}
                 end
\mathbf{25}
           end
\mathbf{26}
           i \leftarrow i + 1
\mathbf{27}
           \mathcal{F}_i \leftarrow Q
28
29 end
30 return \mathcal{F}
```

#### 4.3.2 Crowding Distance

Crowding distance is an NSGA-II mechanism responsible for preserving the diversity of the obtained non-dominated set of solutions. The crowding distance value of a solution estimates the density of solutions around that solution (Raquel and Naval, 2005).

To estimate the density of solutions around a certain point in the population, we calculate the average distance between its two adjacent points for each objective. The distance metric for point i estimates the perimeter of the largest cuboid covering this point, not including any other points in the population. Solutions located close to regions with fewer points receive a higher value than those located close to regions with more points in the objective space (Deb et al., 2002).

The method to calculate the value for the crowding distance of each solution is presented by Algorithm 4.4.

Algorithm 4.4: crowding distance
input: $\mathcal{I}$
1 $l \leftarrow  \mathcal{I} $
2 foreach $i \in \mathcal{I}$ do
$\mathbf{s} \mid \mathcal{I}[i] \leftarrow 0$
4 end
5 foreach $m \in \mathcal{M}$ do
$6  \mid  \mathcal{I} \leftarrow \mathtt{Sort}(\mathcal{I}, obj)$
7 $\mathcal{I}[1].distance \leftarrow \infty$
$\mathbf{s}  \mathcal{I}[l].distance \leftarrow \infty$
9 for $i = 2$ to $(l-1)$ do
$10  \left   \mathcal{I}[i].distance \leftarrow \mathcal{I}[i].distance + (\mathcal{I}[i+1].obj - \mathcal{I}[i-1].obj)/(f_{obj}^{\max} - f_{obj}^{\min}) \right $
11 end
12 end
13 return $\mathcal{I}$

Algorithm 4.4 takes as input a set of solutions  $\mathcal{I}$ . This set has size l, and, initially, we assigned the value zero to the crowding distance of all individuals. Let loop defined between the lines 5 – 12. First, we sort the solutions of the set  $\mathcal{I}$  (line 6), considering each objective *obj*, then we assign infinity to the crowding distance value of the first (line 7) and the last solution of the set  $\mathcal{I}$  (line 8). Next, in the loop defined between lines 9 – 11, we calculate the crowding distance for other solutions of the set  $\mathcal{I}$  (line 10). The loop defined between the lines (5 – 12) is repeated for each *obj* objective. The method returns the crowding distance value for each solution of the set  $\mathcal{I}$ .

### 4.3.3 Initial Population

The initial population of the NSGA-II contains  $size_{pop}$  individuals. Two of them are constructed through a greedy strategy, one of which considers only the objective of minimizing the makespan. In this case, we always choose the operating mode related to the highest speed factor. The other individual considers only the total energy cost. In the second case, we choose the operating mode related to the lowest consumption factor. The other individuals ( $size_{pop} - 2$ ) of the initial population are randomly generated.

Algorithm 4.5 describes the greedy strategy used to generate individuals to the initial population.

#### Algorithm 4.5: Greedy Constructive Heuristic

Algorithm 4.5 starts with an empty initial individual, that is, without any jobs allocated (line 1). The loop between lines 2 and 7 allocates each job  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  on the machines. Therefore, we randomly select a job j, which has not yet been allocated (line 3). Then, we identified the best machine  $i_{best}$  of the individual **s** and the best position  $\mathsf{pos}_{best}$  to insert this job (line 5). In this case, we consider one to each generated solution: minimize the makespan or the total energy cost. Then, we allocate job j in position  $\mathsf{pos}_{best}$  on machine  $i_{best}$  in individual **s** (line 6). At the end of the procedure, we return a feasible individual **s** (line 8).

### 4.3.4 Crossover

We used the binary tournament selection method to choose each pair of individuals for the crossover operator. We run two tournaments with two individuals each and select the winner of each tournament for the crossover. In our approach, the dominant individual wins the tournament. If both individuals are non-dominated, we randomly choose an objective and use it to define the winning individual. Figure 4.2 illustrates the crossover between two individuals. Note the following associations between the reproduction process and the modeling of the problem addressed: an individual is associated with a problem solution, and a gene is related to a job in scheduling.

After selecting two individuals named parent 1 and parent 2, respectively, we applied the crossover operator to generate new individuals. We adopted the One Point Order Crossover operator from Vallada and Ruiz (2011) adapted to the parallel machine problem. We describe its operation below:

- 1. We define, at random, the crossover points of each machine, as shown in Figure 4.2(a);
- 2. We generate two offspring. The first receives the genes to the left of the crossover point defined on each machine of parent 1. The second gets the genes to the right, as shown in Figure 4.2(b);
- 3. We mark in parent 2 the genes present in each offspring, as shown in Figure 4.2(c);
- 4. We add the unmarked genes of parent 2 to offspring 1 and 2. We add these genes in the position that results in the lowest value for the objective function, whereas this problem has two objective functions, so we randomly select one at each crossover. In the end, we will have two new individuals, as shown in Figure 4.2(d).

The offspring always inherit the parent's operating modes.

We repeat this procedure until to generate  $size_{pop}$  new individuals.

### 4.3.5 Mutation

We implemented three mutation operators (Swap, Insert, and Operating mode change), described below. These operators maintain the population's genetic diversity and reduce the chances of the algorithm getting stuck at a local optimum.

Each individual in a given population has a probability of  $prob_{mut}$  of getting mutated. The mutation consists of applying an operator to a select individual. We chose the



(a) Selecting parents and crossover points



(b) Copy part of genes from parent 1 to each offspring



(c) Mark in parent 2 the genes present in each offspring



(d) Complete the genes of each offspring with the genes of parent 2

Figure 4.2: Crossover adapted from Vallada and Ruiz (2011)

operator to be applied randomly. In this work, we propose the following mutation operators:

#### 4.3.5.1 Swap

The swap operator works by randomly choosing a job  $j_1$ , initially allocated in position a on machine  $i_1$  and another job  $j_2$  allocated in position b on machine  $i_2$ . Then, we allocate job  $j_1$  in position b on machine  $i_2$ . Further, we allocate job  $j_2$  in position a on machine  $i_1$ .

Figure 4.3 illustrates the swap between two jobs,  $j_1$  and  $j_2$ . They are initially allocated on machines  $i_1$  and  $i_2$ , respectively. After swapping, we allocate job  $j_2$  on machine  $i_1$  and job  $j_1$  on machine  $i_2$ .



Figure 4.3: Swap move between jobs  $j_1$  and  $j_2$ 

#### 4.3.5.2 Insertion

The insertion operator consists of randomly choosing a job  $j_1$  allocated at position a on machine  $i_1$  and randomly choosing position b of another machine  $i_2$ . Then job  $j_1$  is removed from machine  $i_1$  and inserted into position b on machine  $i_2$ .

Figure 4.4 illustrates this operator. The left side shows the scheduling before, and the right side shows it after the insertion.



Figure 4.4: Insertion operator of job  $j_1$  on machine  $i_2$ 

### 4.3.5.3 Operating mode change

In the operating mode change operator, we randomly select a job and change its operating mode at random.

Figure 4.5 illustrates the application of this operator in a scheduling which involves 3 jobs. As can be seen, job 2, which is in the third position on machine 1, has operating mode 4. After the application of this operator, the job changes to operating mode 1.



Figure 4.5: Example of the mode change operator

The algorithms NSGA-I and NSGA-II were implemented by performing a mutation with a probability equal to  $prob_{mut}$ .

## 4.4 MOVNS

The MOVNS was developed by Geiger (2008). It is a multi-objective local search algorithm based on the VNS algorithm (Mladenović and Hansen, 1997). According to Hansen and Mladenović (2001), the VNS is a metaheuristic simple and effective to combinatorial problems. Its main idea is to apply systematic changes of neighborhoods both in a descent phase, to find a local minimum, and in a perturbation phase to escape from the corresponding valley.

We show the basic steps of VNS through Algorithm 4.6:

Algorithm 4.6: Basic VNS			
$\mathbf{input}: \mathcal{N},  stopping_{-}criterion$			
$s \leftarrow generate an initial solution$			
2 while stopping_criterion not satisfied do			
3 for $k = 1$ to max_n do			
4 $  s' \leftarrow \text{Shaking}(s, \mathcal{N}_k)$			
5 $s'' \leftarrow \text{Local search}(s, s')$			
6 if $f(s'') < f(s)$ then			
7 $  s \leftarrow s''$			
$\mathbf{s} \mid \mathbf{s} \mid \mathbf{s} \leftarrow 1$			
9 end			
lo else			
1 $k \leftarrow k+1$			
2 end			
3 end			
14 end			
5 return s			

We adapted two versions of the multi-objective local search algorithm MOVNS for the problem addressed in this work. The first is the basic version with five neighborhood structures, here named MOVNS1, and the second adds the intensification procedure of Arroyo et al. (2011) to MOVNS, here called MOVNS2. We present the pseudocode of the MOVNS2 in Algorithm 4.7.

The MOVNS2 receives as input: the stopping criterion, the neighborhood structures  $(\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{N}_5)$ , the initial size of the solution set (size<sub>set</sub>), the destruction size  $n_r$ , and the shaking level (shake<sub>level</sub>). It returns the non-dominated set obtained (NDS). Initially, in line 1 of Algorithm 4.7, we use the method of Scheffé (1958) to create a vector with size<sub>set</sub> weights. In line 2, we generate an initial solution to each weight  $W_i$ , using the constructive method of Subsection 4.4.1. This set is composed of size<sub>set</sub> solutions. We repeat the steps defined between lines 3 - 14 as long as the stopping criterion is not satisfied. In lines 4 and 5, we select, randomly, a solution s of the NDS, apply the shaking procedure defined in Subsection 4.4.3, and generate a neighbor solution s'.

Algorithm 4.7: MOVNS2

**Input**: stopping\_criterion,  $\mathcal{N}$ , size<sub>set</sub>, n<sub>r</sub>, shake<sub>level</sub> 1 W  $\leftarrow$  generate a vector with size<sub>set</sub> weights by the Scheffé (1958) method **2** NDS  $\leftarrow$  generate an initial solution for each weight  $W_i$ while stopping\_criterion not satisfied do 3  $\mathsf{s} \leftarrow \operatorname{random} \operatorname{solution} \operatorname{from} \mathsf{NDS}$  $\mathbf{4}$  $s' \leftarrow \text{Shaking}(s, \text{shake}_{level})$  $\mathbf{5}$ for k = 1 to 5 do 6 for each  $\mathsf{s}'' \in \mathcal{N}_k(\mathsf{s}')$  do 7  $NDS \leftarrow AddSolution(s'')$ 8 end 9 end 10  $s \leftarrow random solution from NDS$ 11  $NDS' \leftarrow Intensification(s, n_r)$  $\mathbf{12}$  $NDS \leftarrow non-dominated solutions obtained from <math>NDS \cup NDS'$ 13 14 end 15 return NDS

explore the neighborhood of s' considering each neighborhood structure k (lines 6 – 10). We update the NDS with each neighbor solution of s' (line 8). Next, we apply the intensification procedure described in Subsection 4.4.4 in a random solution of NDS (line 12). In the end, the MOVNS2 Algorithm returns the non-dominated set obtained.

Next, we detail the initial solution (Subsection 4.4.1), the neighborhood structures (Subsection 4.4.2), the shaking (Subsection 4.4.3) and intensification procedures (Subsection 4.4.4).

#### 4.4.1 Initial solution

We present in Algorithm 4.8 the strategy for generating each solution of the initial set.

Algorithm 4.8 gets as input the weight  $W_i$  for the objective function. It starts with an empty initial solution (line 1). Then, the loop between lines 2 and 7 allocates each job j on the machines. For this, we randomly select a job j not yet assigned (line 3). Then, we choose the best machine  $i_{best}$ , position  $pos_{best}$ , and operating mode  $l_{best}$  to insert job j in solution s (line 5). To make this choice, we consider the weighted sum of the objectives of the problem with weight  $W_i$ . Then, we allocate job j in position

Algorithm 4.8: Greedy Constructive Heuristic Weighted

```
\begin{array}{l} \operatorname{input:} \mathbb{W}_{i} \\ \texttt{i} \ \texttt{s} \leftarrow \emptyset \\ \texttt{2} \ \texttt{for} \ k = 1 \ \texttt{to} \ \texttt{n} \ \texttt{do} \\ \texttt{3} \ \left| \begin{array}{c} j \leftarrow \texttt{random job} \in \mathbb{N} \\ \texttt{4} \ \left| \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{N} \leftarrow \mathbb{N} \setminus \{j\} \\ \texttt{5} \ (i_{\mathsf{best}}, \mathsf{pos}_{\mathsf{best}}, l_{\mathsf{best}}) \leftarrow \texttt{GreedyChoiceWeighted}(\texttt{s}, j, \mathbb{W}_{i}) \\ \texttt{6} \ \left| \begin{array}{c} \texttt{s} \leftarrow \texttt{Insert}(\texttt{s}, j, i_{\mathsf{best}}, \mathsf{pos}_{\mathsf{best}}, l_{\mathsf{best}}) \\ \texttt{7} \ \texttt{end} \\ \texttt{8} \ \texttt{return s} \end{array} \right. \end{array}
```

 $pos_{best}$  on machine  $i_{best}$  with operating mode  $l_{best}$  in solution s (line 6). At the end of this procedure, we return a feasible solution s (line 8).

#### 4.4.2 Neighborhood Structures

We describe below the five neighborhood structures used to explore the solution space of the problem:

- Swap on the same machine  $(\mathcal{N}_1)$ : In this operator, we select two jobs,  $j_1$  and  $j_2$ , allocated, respectively, in positions x and y on machine i, and reallocate job  $j_1$  in position y and job  $j_2$  in position x on the same machine i.
- Swap between different machines  $(\mathcal{N}_2)$ : This structure consists of selecting a job  $j_1$  allocated on machine  $i_1$  in position x and another job  $j_2$  that is in position y on machine  $i_2$ . Then, we allocate job  $j_1$  in position y on machine  $i_2$ , and we allocate job  $j_2$  on machine  $i_1$  in position x.
- Insertion on the same machine  $(\mathcal{N}_3)$ : It starts selecting job  $j_1$  that is initially in position x on machine i. Then, we choose another position y on the same machine. Finally, we remove job  $j_1$  from the initial position and reinsert it in position y on machine i.
- Insertion between different machines  $(\mathcal{N}_4)$ : In this structure, we select job  $j_1$  allocated in position x on machine  $i_1$  and select position y on machine  $i_2$ . Then, remove job  $j_1$  and insert it in position y on machine  $i_2$ .

Change operating mode ( $\mathcal{N}_5$ ): This neighborhood structure selects job j on machine i and then changes its operating mode.

## 4.4.3 Shaking procedure

The shaking procedure is an important phase of a VNS-based algorithm. According to Hansen et al. (2017), the purpose of this procedure, when used within a VNS heuristic, is to avoid getting stuck in a local minimum. The simple shaking procedure consists in selecting a random solution from the k-th neighborhood structure of solution s. In the shaking procedure of this work, we apply  $\mathsf{shake}_{level}$  moves chosen among those described in Subsection 4.4.2 to the current solution.

## 4.4.4 Intensification of Arroyo et al. (2011)

We present, in Algorithm 4.9, the intensification procedure of the MOVNS Algorithm by Arroyo et al. (2011). It was mentioned in line 12 of Algorithm 4.7.

The input of this procedure is the solution **s** and the destruction size  $n_r$ . The output

is the non-dominated set obtained.



```
Input: n_r, s
 1 \ \mathsf{s}_p \leftarrow \mathsf{s}
 \mathbf{2} \ \mathbf{S}_r \leftarrow \emptyset
 s for k \leftarrow 1 to n_r do
         Remove random job j from the solution s_p
 \mathbf{4}
         Insert job j into s_r
 \mathbf{5}
 6 end
 7 \text{ NDS'} \leftarrow s_p
 s foreach job \in s_r do
         NDS'' \leftarrow \emptyset
 9
         foreach solution s_p \in NDS' do
\mathbf{10}
               Insert the job in all positions of s_p'
11
               Evaluate each partial solution resulting s_p"
12
               NDS'' \leftarrow non-dominated solutions obtained of <math>NDS'' \cup \{s_p''\}
13
         end
\mathbf{14}
         NDS' \leftarrow NDS''
\mathbf{15}
16 end
17 return NDS'
```

First, in Algorithm 4.9, we initialize the partial solution  $(s_p)$  from the current solution s and initialize as empty the set of removed jobs  $(s_r)$ , in lines 1 and 2, respectively.

Then, we perform the destruction phase (lines 3 - 6), in which we randomly remove  $\mathbf{n}_r$  jobs from the partial solution  $\mathbf{s}_p$ . Then we insert the jobs removed from the  $\mathbf{s}_p$  in the set of removed jobs  $\mathbf{s}_r$  and keep the remaining  $\mathbf{n} - \mathbf{n}_r$  jobs in  $\mathbf{s}_p$ . At the end, we have the partial solution  $\mathbf{s}_p$  and set of removed jobs  $\mathbf{s}_r$  generated in the destruction phase.

In line 7, we initialize with  $s_p$  the non-dominated set of partial solutions NDS'.

Then, between lines 8-16, we insert each job of  $s_r$  in all positions of the partial solution  $s_p$ . To each new partial solution  $s_p''$  generated, we update NDS'' (line 13).

At the end (line 15), we have the non-dominated set NDS' with feasible solutions.

# Chapter 5

# **Computational Experiments**

This section is organized as follows. Subsections 5.1 and 5.2 describe the instances and the metrics used to assess the quality of the set of non-dominated solutions generated by the algorithms. Subsection 5.3 shows the parameter calibration of the algorithms. Subsection 5.4 reports the results.

We coded the algorithms in the C++ language and implemented the mathematical model with the Gurobi 7.0.2 API (Gurobi Optimization, 2020). We performed the tests on a microcomputer with the following configurations: Intel (R) Core (TM) i7-4510U processor with a clock frequency of 2 GHz, 16 GB of RAM, and 64-bits Ubuntu 19.10 operating system.

Furthermore, we compared the performance of the NSGA-II and MOVNS2 algorithm with two multi-objective algorithms: MOVNS1 of Geiger (2008) and NSGA-I of Srinivas and Deb (1994). The NSGA-I uses the same crossover operators, mutation operators, stopping criterion, and initial population of the NSGA-II. In turn, the MOVNS1 uses the same neighborhood structures, stopping criterion, initial solution of the MOVNS2 algorithm.

# 5.1 Instances Generation

Since, as far as we know, there is no set of instances in the literature for the problem addressed, we adapted two instance sets from the literature that deal with similar problems. The first one, called set1, is a subset of the small instances of Cota et al. (2018) satisfying the triangular inequality, in which we add information about the energy price on-peak and off-peak hours. The second set, named set2, is also a subset of the large instances of Cota et al. (2018), in which we included instances of 750 jobs. Table 5.1 shows the characteristics of these sets of instances, which are available in Rego et al. (2021).

Parameter	set1	set2	Based on
n	6, 7, 8, 9, 10	50, 250, 750	Vallada and Ruiz (2011), Cota et al. (2018)
m	2	10, 20	Vallada and Ruiz (2011), Cota et al. (2018)
0	3	5	Mansouri et al. (2016), Ahilan et al. (2013), Cota et al. (2018)
$P_{ij}$	U[1, 99]	U[1, 99]	Vallada and Ruiz (2011), Cota et al. (2018)
$S_{ijk}$	U[1, 9]	U[1,9], U[1,124]	Vallada and Ruiz (2011), Cota et al. (2018)
$\pi_i$	U[40, 200]	U[40, 200]	Cota et al. (2018)
V <sub>l</sub>	1.2, 1, 0.8	1.2, 1.1, 1, 0.9, 0.8	Mansouri et al. (2016), Ahilan et al. (2013), Cota et al. (2018)
$\lambda_l$	1.5, 1, 0.6	1.5, 1.25, 1, 0.8, 0.6	Mansouri et al. (2016), Ahilan et al. (2013), Cota et al. (2018)

Table 5.1: Instance characteristics

# 5.2 Metric description

The comparison of different multi-objective optimization algorithms involves choosing the aspects to be evaluated. Zitzler et al. (2000) suggest three aspects that can be identified and measured: convergence, extension, and distribution. Convergence refers to the proximity of this set to the Pareto-optimal front or to the reference set. In turn, the extension assesses the breadth of the region covered by this set of non-dominated solutions. The distribution refers to the uniformity of the spacing between the solutions within the set. Some authors consider that uniformity and diversity form a single aspect called diversity (Yan et al., 2007). In the present work, we will use convergence and diversity.

The hypervolume metric can evaluate both convergence and diversity (Shang et al., 2020), and the HCC metric, in turn, considers only diversity (Guimarães et al., 2009).

## 5.2.1 Hypervolume

The hypervolume or S metric is a measure of quality often used to compare results from multi-objective algorithms and it was proposed by Zitzler and Thiele (1998). This metric provides a combined estimate of convergence and diversity of a set of solutions (Deb, 2014). The hypervolume of a non-dominated set measures the area covered or dominated by this set's points, limited by a Reference Point (RP). In maximization problems, it is common to use the point (0; 0), while in minimization problems, an upper bound, also known as the Nadir point, is used to limit this area. In Figure 5.1, the shaded area defines the hypervolume of the set of non-dominated solutions  $\mathcal{A}$  for a problem with two objective functions. The point ( $max_x; max_y$ ) defines the upper limit. We denote by  $HV(\mathcal{A})$  the hypervolume of a set of non-dominated solutions  $\mathcal{A}$  relative to a reference point (Deb, 2014).



Figure 5.1: Hypervolume for set  $\mathcal{A}$ 

## 5.2.2 HCC

Hierarchical Cluster Counting (HCC) is a metric proposed by Guimarães et al. (2009) to evaluate the quality of non-dominated sets obtained by multi-objective optimization algorithms. It is based on hierarchical clustering techniques, such as the Sphere Counting (SC) (Wanner et al., 2006) metric. According to Guimarães et al. (2009), the diversity of a non-dominated set is directly proportional to the HCC value calculated for it.

We calculate the HCC for a set of points  $\mathcal{A}$  as follows:

- 1. Initially, we create a grouping for each point in the set and consider that each group created is a sphere of radius equal to zero;
- 2. Then, we calculate the minimum distances of fusion, which is a new assumed value for the radius of the spheres capable of decreasing the number of clusters;
- 3. We group the points into the same cluster;
- 4. We repeat steps 2 and 3 until all the points belong to the same grouping;
- 5. We obtain the HCC value by adding, in each iteration, the product between the distances of fusion and the amount of grouping formed.

Consider Figure 5.2, which illustrates the steps to calculate the HCC for a six-point non-dominated set. Figure 5.2(a) shows the first cluster in which each point is in a different sphere with radius zero. Figure 5.2(b) shows the points grouped into five spheres, each with radius  $r_1$ . Figure 5.2(c) shows the points grouped into four spheres, each with radius  $r_2$ . Figure 5.2(d) shows, in the Cartesian plane, the relationship between the number of clusters and the radius of each cluster. The gray region area represents the value of the HCC metric for the set shown in Figure 5.2.

We present, in Figure 5.2, some steps to exemplify the calculation of this metric. In Figure 5.2(a), we show a Pareto front composed of six points, and each point represents one cluster, with  $\rho = 0$ . In Figure 5.2(b), we can see five clusters considering  $\rho \approx 0.7$ . In


Figure 5.2: Example of how to calculate the HCC metric (Guimarães et al., 2009)

Figure 5.2(c), we have four clusters with  $\rho \approx 0.9$ . The calculation ends when all points are in a single cluster. Finally, Figure 5.2(d) shows a graph with cluster numbers formed according to  $\rho$ . Note that as the value of  $\rho$  increases, the number of clusters decreases.

### 5.3 Tuning of algorithms' parameters

The parameter values used in the algorithms can affect their performance. Therefore, we use the Irace package (López-Ibáñez et al., 2016) to find the best values for these parameters. Irace is a software encoded in the R language that automatically performs an iterative procedure to find the appropriate optimization algorithm settings.

The parameters were tested in the following instances: 6\_2\_1439\_3\_S\_1-9, 10\_2\_1439\_3\_S\_1-9, 50\_10\_1439\_5\_S\_1-9, 250\_10\_1439\_5\_S\_1-124 and 750\_20\_1439\_5\_S\_1-9.

Table 5.2 shows the test scenarios used. In the first column, we present the algorithm name; in the second column, the description of each parameter; in the third column, the set of values tested for each parameter; and in the fourth column, the best value returned by Irace.

Method	Description	Tested values	Irace best value
NSCA II	Population size $(size_{pop})$	80, 90, 100, 110	110
NSGA-II	Probability of mutation	0.04,  0.05,  0.06,  0.07	0.05
NSCAI	Population size $(size_{pop})$	80, 90, 100, 110	80
NSGA-1	Probability of mutation	0.04,  0.05,  0.06,  0.07	0.06
MOWNS2	Initial set size $(size_{set})$	20, 25, 30, 35	25
WIO V 1152	Perturbation level	2, 4, 6, 8	6
	Destruction level	2, 4, 6, 8	6
MOVNS1	Initial set size $(size_{set})$	25, 30, 35, 40	30
	Perturbation level	2, 4, 6, 8	4

Table 5.2: Test scenarios for algorithms' parameters

#### 5.4 Results

In this section, we presented the results of two experiments used to evaluate the performance of proposed algorithms. First, we present the MOVNS2, NSGA-II, and weighted sum method results in instances with up to 10 jobs and 2 machines (set1). Then, we report the results of NSGA-II and MOVNS2 algorithms in larger instances, with up to 750 jobs and 20 machines (set2), and compare with others literature algorithms. In both cases, we executed the algorithms 30 times in each instance. The time limit for each execution of the metaheuristics was defined as  $time_{limit} = n \times ln(m)$  seconds, where m and n are the number of machines and jobs, respectively.

We used the Relative Percentage Deviation  $(RPD_i^{HV})$  to evaluate the HV metric for each method Alg and instance *i*. It is calculated by Equation (5.1):

$$RPD_i^{HV}(Alg) = \frac{HV_i^{RS} - HV_i^v}{HV_i^{RS}},$$
(5.1)

where  $HV_i^{RS}$  is the hypervolume value of the reference set in 30 executions of the algorithm Alg in the instance *i*. *v* can assume three values: min, max, and avg, representing, respectively, the smallest, the largest, and the average of the hypervolume in 30 executions of the algorithm in the instance *i*.

Since we not known the optimal Pareto front, we define a reference set to each instance compose by all non-dominated solutions obtained by the all tested algorithms. The reference set is also known as Pareto front (Arroyo et al., 2011).

#### 5.4.1 Results in the set1

In this subsection, we reported the results of the algorithms NSGA-II, MOVNS2, and the weighted sum method in the set of instances set1.

Table 5.3 shows the reference set data for these instances. In this table, the first two columns display the instance identifier and name, respectively. The next two columns present the number of jobs and machines, respectively. The fifth column shows the hypervolume of this reference set. Finally, the last column presents the reference point  $(C_{\text{max}}; TEC)$  used to calculate the hypervolume of each instance.

# ID	# Instance	n	m	HV	RP
1	$6_2_1439_3_5_1-9$	6	2	8,795.00	(250; 259.82)
2	$7_2_1439_3_5_1-9$	7	2	$15,\!918.00$	(400; 260.68)
3	$8_2_1439_3_51-9$	8	2	4,825.00	(260; 321.17)
4	$9_2_1439_3_5_1-9$	9	2	$31,\!080.00$	(450; 389.38)
5	10_2_1439_3_S_1-9	10	2	$35,\!448.00$	(500; 382.46)

Table 5.3: Summary of reference set data in the set1

Tables 5.4 and 5.5 present the method results concerning the  $RPD^{HV}$  and the HCC metrics. In these tables, the first column identifies the instance. The second and third columns show the upper bound (UB) and the time, in seconds, of the exact method. The next three columns display the minimum, maximum and average values, respectively, concerning the MOVNS2 method. The seventh column presents the standard deviation of the MOVNS2 results. The next three columns show the minimum, maximum and average values, respectively, concerning the NSGA-II method. The 11th column displays the standard deviation of the NSGA-II results. Finally, the 12th column presents the time, in seconds, of the NSGA-II and MOVNS2 algorithms.

Table 5.4: Summary of  $RPD^{HV}$  and runtime of the proposed methods in the set1. The best average values are highlighted in bold.

	Exac	t	MOV	VNS2			NSG	A-II			
# ID	UB	time (s)	min	max	avg	sd	min	max	avg	sd	time (s)
	(%)		(%)	(%)	(%)		(%)	(%)	(%)		
1	0.01	172.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.00	0.01	4.16
2	0.01	549.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	4.85
3	0.00	$2,\!140.40$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.21	0.02	0.04	5.54
4	0.03	8,312.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.02	0.02	6.24
5	0.03	39,396.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.02	0.02	6.93

We can see in Table 5.4 that in the set of instances set1, the  $RPD^{HV}$  of the MOVNS2 algorithm is lower or equal in all cases (min, max e avg) compared to the NSGA-II and exact method. We can also verify that the standard deviation of the MOVNS2 algorithm in all instances is equal to zero. In other words, in these instances, all MOVNS2 executions obtained the same set non-dominated. Moreover, the execution time of the NSGA-II and the MOVNS2 is much less than that of the exact algorithm.

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	Exact		MOVNS	32			NSGA-I				timo (a)
# 110	UB	time $(s)$	min	max	avg	sd	min	max	avg	sd	
	209.32	172.09	239.72	239.72	239.72	0.00	223.81	274.13	241.52	8.49	4.16
7	428.11	549.86	525.03	525.03	525.03	0.00	513.94	535.51	525.33	3.43	4.85
လ	142.59	2,140.40	206.10	206.10	206.10	0.00	135.43	242.25	194.88	23.14	5.54
4	359.65	8, 312.92	575.89	575.89	575.89	0.00	408.26	707.81	556.11	71.95	6.24
ю	708.26	39, 396. 63	848.28	848.28	848.28	0.00	474.27	869.75	721.59	98.26	6.93

Table 5.5: Summary of HCC value and runtime of proposed the methods in the set1. The best average values are highlighted in bold.

Concerning Table 5.5, we noted that the NSGA-II algorithm performed better than others in two comparisons (ID 1 and 2). If we consider only the instances with more than seven jobs (ID 3, 4, and 5), the MOVNS2 was superior in diversity metric.

Figure 5.3(a) and 5.3(b) presents the non-dominated sets obtained by NSGA-II, MOVNS2, and the exact method in two randomly selected instances. The first instance has 6 jobs and 2 machines, and the second has 10 jobs and 2 machines. In this figure, the fill green circles, the blue "x", and the red circles represent the solutions of the exact method, the MOVNS2, and NSGA-II, respectively. The x-axis represents the makespan, and the y-axis represents the total energy cost.

We can notice in Figure 5.3(a) that the MOVNS2 and NSGA-II non-dominated set contain all the solutions found by the exact method, plus two additional solutions. In this example, the three methods have the same amplitude, and the MOVNS2 and NSGA-II were able to find a set of solutions with higher cardinality. On the other hand, Figure 5.3(b) shows that MOVNS2, NSGA-II, and the exact method found 16, 14, and 8 non-dominated solutions, respectively. The MOVNS2 solutions dominate two of the NSGA-II solutions. In this example, the MOVNS2 and the exact method showed better amplitude than the NSGA-II, but the MOVNS2 obtained higher cardinality.

Considering these results, we observed that the MOVNS2 and NSGA-II find good quality solutions and require less computational time than the exact method.

#### 5.4.2 Results in the set2

Here, we presented the results of the NSGA-II and MOVNS2 algorithms in the set of instances set2.

Table 5.6 shows the reference set data for the instances of set2. Its organization follows the same description as the previous section's tables.

Tables 5.7 and 5.8 report the  $RPD^{HV}$  and HCC metric values, respectively, to the proposed algorithms in the set of instances set2.

The results in Table 5.7 indicate that, in the mean, the MOVNS2 algorithm performs better than the NSGA-II, in all instances considering the  $RPD^{HV}$  metric. The low standard deviation values presented by MOVNS2 indicate that it is relatively stable.

The results in Table 5.8 indicate that, in the mean, the MOVNS2 algorithm per-



(b) Instance with 10 jobs and 2 machines

Figure 5.3: Example of Fronts found by NSGA-II, MOVNS2 and Exact methods

# ID	# Instance	n	m	$_{\rm HV}$	RP
1	$50_{10}1439_{5}S_{1-9}$	50	10	$65,\!171.00$	(289; 452.65)
2	$50_{10}1439_{5}S_{1-124}$	50	10	$257,\!472.00$	(539; 909.56)
3	$50_{20}1439_{5}S_{1-9}$	50	20	$20,\!554.00$	(121; 323.34)
4	$50_{20}1439_{5}S_{1-124}$	50	20	$212,\!473.00$	(474; 642.57)
5	$250_{10}1439_{5}S_{1-9}$	250	10	$1,\!603,\!978.00$	(1457; 2245.16)
6	$250\_10\_1439\_5\_S\_1-124$	250	10	8,501,314.00	(5049; 2930.02)
7	$250_{20}1439_{5}S_{1}-9$	250	20	$821,\!506.00$	(525; 2570.86)
8	250_20_1439_5_S_1-124	250	20	$6,\!536,\!232.00$	(2919; 3179.80)
9	750_10_1439_5_S_1-9	750	10	$8,\!500,\!037.00$	(3758; 5630.80)
10	750_10_1439_5_S_1-124	750	10	$111,\!007,\!003.00$	(19483; 9442.33)
11	750_20_1439_5_S_1-9	750	20	$4,\!992,\!770.00$	(1556; 5573.70)
12	$750_{20}1439_{5}S_{1}-124$	750	20	37,616,516.00	(7847; 7065.71)

Table 5.6: Summary of reference set data in the set2

Table 5.7: Summary of  $RPD^{HV}$  and runtime to the instances of set2 in the proposed algorithms. The best average values are highlighted in bold.

	MOV	NS2				NSGA	-II			
# ID	$\min_{(\%)}$	$\max_{(\%)}$	$avg\ (\%)$	sd	-	$\min_{(\%)}$	$\max_{(\%)}$	avg $(%)$	sd	time (s)
1	0.01	0.05	0.03	0.01		0.10	0.24	0.17	0.03	115.13
2	0.04	0.09	0.07	0.01		0.07	0.19	0.12	0.03	115.13
3	0.01	0.06	0.03	0.01		0.19	0.31	0.24	0.04	149.79
4	0.01	0.04	0.02	0.01		0.09	0.19	0.14	0.02	149.79
5	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00		0.08	0.11	0.10	0.01	575.65
6	0.02	0.03	0.02	0.00		0.02	0.05	0.03	0.00	575.65
7	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.00		0.11	0.16	0.14	0.01	748.93
8	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00		0.04	0.05	0.04	0.00	748.93
9	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.00		0.07	0.08	0.08	0.00	1,726.94
10	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.00		0.05	0.06	0.05	0.00	1,726.94
11	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00		0.09	0.12	0.10	0.01	$2,\!246.80$
12	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.00		0.06	0.07	0.07	0.00	2,246.80

forms better than the NSGA-II in three instances (ID 2, 6, and 7) for the HCC metric. Moreover, the NSGA-II is superior in nine instances for this metric.

The best average values are	
5.8: Summary of HCC and runtime to the instances of set2 in the proposed algorithms.	ghted in bold.
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time (s)	sd sum (9)	128.44 115.13	323.72 $115.13$	89.45 149.79	276.50 149.79	535.43 $575.65$	669.22 575.65	514.60 748.93	872.03 748.93	858.86 1,726.94	5,184.92 $1,726.94$	1,473.66 $2,246.80$	1,663.63 $2,246.80$
	avg	1,446.94	1,653.94	431.34	1,861.56	9,187.19	11,042.90	2,556.17	8,790.46	21,967.44	60,472.87	12,925.00	29,703.90
	max	1,715.60	2,224.00	659.35	2,530.40	10,702.62	12,470.58	4, 193.80	10,702.12	23,418.80	75,091.86	15,284.62	33,175.70
NSGA-II	min	1,253.90	1,063.80	279.32	1,325.60	8,268.30	9,866.60	1,878.40	7,360.40	20,218.49	53,824.74	10,215.91	26,060.88
	sd	98.19	303.65	38.68	117.01	585.46	1,901.10	203.35	1,712.55	1,820.08	12,745.63	393.51	4,116.04 "
	avg	1,151.40	1,674.68	401.53	1,437.69	6,474.27	11,600.85	2,767.26	7,745.17	10,525.14	43,214.28	5,302.41	20,141.95
	max	1,477.80	2,286.20	477.62	1,733.70	7,950.80	15,637.53	3, 135.60	11,054.71	13,796.15	66,683.14	6,002.60	26,785.21
MOVNS2	min	1,012.20	1,113.80	336.57	1,288.60	5,292.00	8,755.10	2,157.50	4,543.90	8,541.80	24,361.20	4,312.80	14,984.12
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We report, in Tables 5.9 and 5.10, the mean values of  $RPD^{HV}$  and HCC metrics, respectively, of the NSGA-I, NSGA-II, MOVNS1, and MOVNS2 algorithms in the set of instances set2.

	#ID	MOVNS1	MOVNS2	NSGA-I	NSGA-II
		(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
-	1	0.02	0.03	0.18	0.17
	2	0.08	0.07	0.12	0.12
	3	0.03	0.03	0.26	0.24
	4	0.04	0.02	0.14	0.14
	5	0.02	0.01	0.13	0.10
	6	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.03
	7	0.02	0.02	0.17	0.14
	8	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.04
	9	0.02	0.02	0.10	0.08
	10	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.05
	11	0.01	0.01	0.16	0.10
	12	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.07
-	Mean	0.03	0.02	0.12	0.11

Table 5.9: Average  $RPD^{HV}$  to the instances of set2 in the tested algorithms. The best values are highlighted in bold.

As shown in Table 5.9, the MOVNS2 achieved the best average results regarding hypervolume in eleven instances. In the mean, the MOVNS1 was superior in seven instances. Both obtained the best result in six instances. The MOVNS2 achieved the best results for this metric.

On the other hand, in Table 5.10, the NSGA-II found the best results in seven instances of set2 in the HCC metric. The NSGA-I had better performance in three instances. The MOVNS1 was superior in two instances. In the mean, the NSGA-II presented the best result for the HCC metric.

These results indicate that the NSGA-II algorithm outperforms NSGA-I, MOVNS1, and MOVNS2 algorithms concerning this metric.

Figures 5.4(a) and 5.4(b) illustrate the Pareto front obtained from each algorithm

#ID	MOVNS1	MOVNS2	NSGA-II	NSGA-I
1	1,282.79	1,151.40	$1,\!446.94$	1,422.89
2	2,042.02	$1,\!674.68$	$1,\!653.94$	1,844.78
3	402.08	401.53	431.34	397.67
4	$1,\!689.60$	$1,\!437.69$	$1,\!861.56$	$1,\!885.60$
5	6,708.21	$6,\!474.27$	$9,\!187.19$	8,270.10
6	$12,\!017.58$	$11,\!600.85$	11,042.90	$10,\!844.27$
7	$3,\!006.93$	2,767.26	$2,\!556.17$	$3,\!429.42$
8	$8,\!550.94$	7,745.17	$8,\!790.46$	8,739.29
9	9,880.29	$10,\!525.14$	$21,\!967.44$	$19,\!413.19$
10	32,607.87	43,214.28	60,472.87	$61,\!504.40$
11	5,763.31	$5,\!302.41$	$12,\!925.00$	11,851.43
12	$18,\!301.29$	$20,\!141.95$	29,703.90	29,611.39
Mean	8,521.08	9,369.72	$13,\!503.31$	13,267.87

Table 5.10: Average HCC to the instances of set2 in the tested algorithms. The best values are highlighted in **bold**.

in two different instances. The first instance has 50 jobs and 20 machines, and the second has 750 jobs and 10 machines. As can be seen, the NSGA-II produced sets of non-dominated solutions with good diversity compared to other algorithms. In its turn, the MOVNS1 and MOVNS2 algorithms converge well.

In industrial problems, as treated in this work, the goal is to find a Pareto front that optimizes the objective functions; in other words, a Pareto front with good convergence. Thus, we can conclude that the MOVNS2 algorithm presents the best performance for the addressed problem.

#### 5.4.3 Statistical Analysis

We performed an exploratory analysis to understand the samples data before performing the statistical test.

Figure 5.5 (a)-(b) shows the boxplot of the  $\text{RPD}^{HV}$  and HCC results, respectively.

Before performing the hypothesis tests, we need to choose the test type, parametric or non-parametric. Generally, parametric tests are more powerful; however, to use them,



(a) Instance with 50 jobs and 20 machines



(b) Instance with 750 jobs and 10 machines

Figure 5.4: Example of the Pareto front obtained from each algorithm



(b) Boxplot of the HCC results

Figure 5.5: Boxplots of the results

it is necessary to satisfy three assumptions (García et al., 2010):

- 1. Normality: Every sample must originate from a population with normal distribution,
- 2. Independence: The samples must be independent of each other,
- 3. Homoscedasticity: There must be equality of variances across samples.

We applied the Shapiro-Wilk normality test to the samples with the  $\text{RPD}^{HV}$  and HCC values from each algorithm and showed its results in Table 5.11.

Table 5.11: *p*-values of the Shapiro-Wilk normality test concerning  $\text{RPD}^{HV}$  and HCC values

Algorithm	p-val	ue
Algorithm	$\mathrm{RPD}^{HV}$	HCC
MOVNS1	2.2e-16	2.2e-16
MOVNS2	2.2e-16	2.2e-16
NSGA-I	1.35e-10	2.2e-16
NSGA-II	4.413e-12	2.2e-16

With a confidence level of 95% ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ), we can say that the results presented in Table 5.11 do not present evidence that the results of the algorithms come from a population with normal distribution.

Thus, to verify if the differences between the results presented by the algorithms are statistically significant, we performed the non-parametric Friedman test with Bonferroni correction.

The test presented a p-value equal to 2.2e-16. Therefore, we can conclude that the observed difference is statistically significant from the test result.

Thus, we applied the Paired Wilcoxon signed-rank non-parametric test (Wilcoxon, 1945) to identify the pairs of results that present the differences. Table 5.12 reports the results of this test obtained by the MOVNS1, MOVNS2, NSGA-I, and NSGA-II algorithms for the RPD<sup>HV</sup> and HCC values samples.

group 1	group 9	p-va	alue
group 1	group 2	$\operatorname{RPD}^{HV}$	HCC
MOVNS1	MOVNS2	2e-16	0.03497
MOVNS1	NSGA-I	7.8e-15	2e-16
MOVNS1	NSGA-II	1.1e-07	2e-16
MOVNS2	NSGA-I	0.028	2e-16
MOVNS2	NSGA-II	2.2e-06	2e-16
NSGA-I	NSGA-II	2e-16	0.00056

Table 5.12: *p*-values of the paired Wilcoxon signed-rank test concerning RPD<sup>HV</sup> and HCC values ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ).

According to Table 5.12, there is a significant statistical difference between all algorithms concerning  $\text{RPD}^{HV}$  and HCC metrics. Thus, these tests confirm the results in Tables 5.9 and 5.10, indicating that MOVNS2 outperforms all other algorithms regarding the  $\text{RPD}^{HV}$  metric, and the NSGA-II is superior concerning the HCC metric.

# Chapter 6

# Conclusions

This thesis addressed the unrelated parallel machine scheduling problem with sequencedependent setup times for minimizing the makespan and total energy cost under timeof-use electricity price.

To solve it, we developed a mixed-integer linear programming formulation and applied the weighted sum method to generate sets of non-dominated solutions to the problem. Considering that this formulation could not solve larger instances of the problem, we adapted heuristic algorithms to deal with them.

To test the methods, we adapted instances of the literature to contemplate the problem's characteristics addressed. We divided these instances into two groups. The first group consists of small instances with up to 10 jobs and 2 machines, while the second group contains large instances, with up to 750 jobs and 20 machines. We evaluated the methods concerning the hypervolume and HCC metrics.

Initially, we used part of the set of instances to tuning the parameter values of the algorithms. To this end, we used the Irace package.

We validated the NSGA-II and MOVNS2 results in small instances, by comparing them with the results of the exact method. The algorithms showed good convergence and diversity. Besides, it spent much shorter CPU time than that required by the exact method.

We compare the proposed NSGA-II and MOVNS2 with the NSGA-I and MOVNS1 of the literature in instances with up to 750 jobs and 50 machines. The results showed that the MOVNS2 outperforms MOVNS1, NSGA-I, and NSGA-II algorithms concerning

the hypervolume metric. Further, the NSGA-II is superior to MOVNS1, MOVNS2, and NSGA-I algorithms regarding the HCC metric. Both results are with a 95% confidence level. Thus, the proposed MOVNS2 and NSGA-II algorithms find non-dominated solutions with good convergence and diversity, respectively. As we address an industrial problem in this work, we concluded that the MOVNS2 presents the best performance since it finds Pareto fronts with the best convergence.

As future work, we suggest testing other crossover and mutation operators for the NSGA-II. Besides, we intend to implement other multi-objective algorithms, such as Strength Pareto Evolutionary Algorithm 2 (SPEA2) and Multi-objective Evolutionary Algorithm Based on Decomposition (MOEA/D). Moreover, we indicate to test mechanisms that improve the diversity of solutions generated by MOVNS2.

# Appendix A

## **Publications**

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