## Special Issue

## Advances in AI and Optimization for Scheduling Problems in Industry

## Message from the Guest Editors

In today's rapidly evolving industrial landscape, efficient scheduling remains a critical challenge that significantly impacts productivity and operational effectiveness. The integration of artificial intelligence (AI) and advanced optimization techniques offers promising solutions to these scheduling problems, enabling industries to enhance their decision-making processes and operational efficiency. This Special Issue, "Advances in Al and Optimization for Scheduling Problems in Industry", aims to explore the latest advancements and applications of AI and optimization methods in tackling complex scheduling problems across various industrial sectors. This Special Issue seeks to highlight the confluence of AI and optimization techniques in industrial scheduling, focusing on innovative research that demonstrates the practical applications and benefits of these technologies. Contributions on a wide range of topics are invited, including but not limited to the use of AI for predictive scheduling, the role of optimization algorithms in dynamic environments, the integration of IoT for smart scheduling, and the impact of AI on workforce management.

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