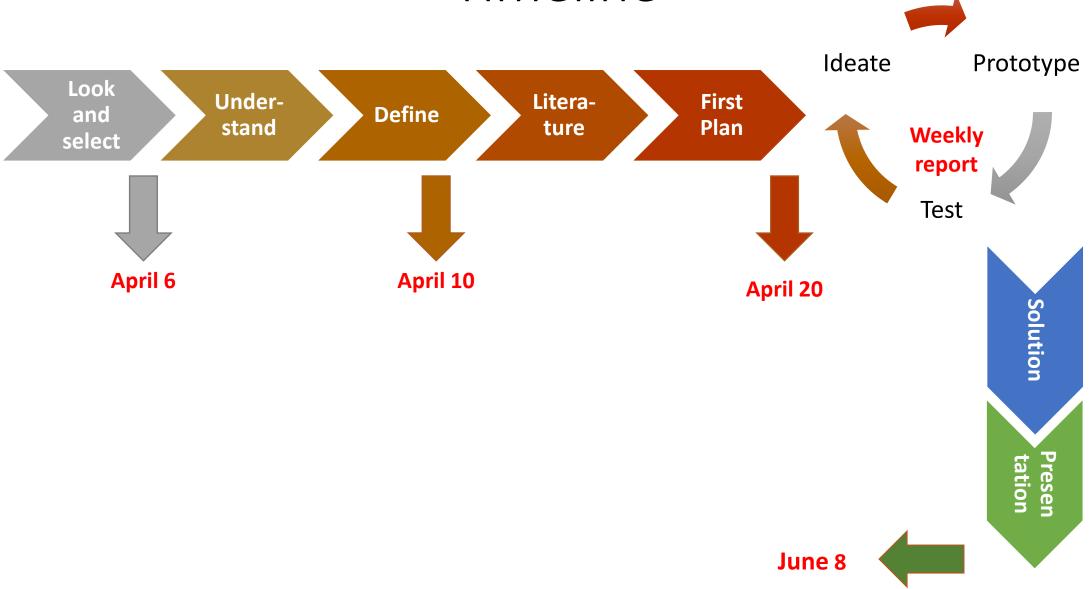
Timeline



Deliverables (each group provides its deliverables)

April 6

- For each student: first and last name, email, telephone, home adress,
 Bachelor degree, special status/requirements (e.g. student worker)
- Argument of the project
- Tentative title
- Very preliminary description of the problem
- Description of the tentative goal of the project



Deliverables (each group provides its deliverables)

- April 10
 - A powerpoint file to be presented to the class (20 minutes), including
 - description of the problem
 - description of the needs
 - description of the main challanges
 - description of the project goals
 - description of the outline of the development foresee
 - relation with existing researches products
 - a.o.b.



Deliverables (each group provides its deliverables)

April 20

- A word file containing the first assessment of the problem and the first outline of the approach/development
- full description of the problem, needs and challanges
- related literature

 project activities and tasks and their temporal and functional relations (tentative Gantt chart)

- tecnologies to be used
- tools to be used
- a.o.b.



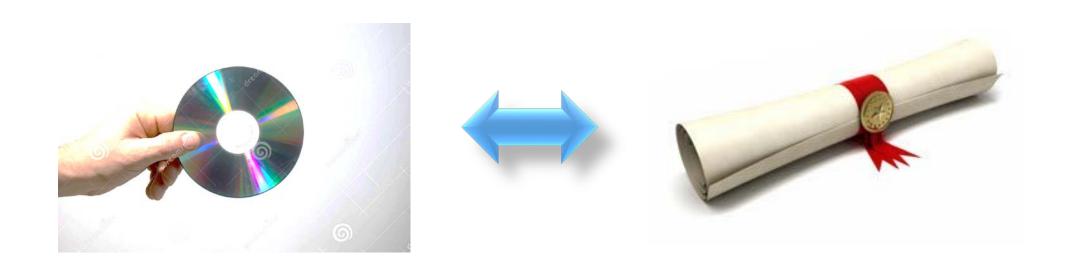
Deliverables (weekly report)

- April 20-June 1
 - Weekly meeting with the teacher to assess the project status
 - Delivery of a short word document (half page) describing the problems and advances of the project



Deliverables (final presentation)

- June 8
 - A presentation to the classroom (30 minutes) describing project and achivements
 - A word report with describing in detail project, results, implementations etc, with technical details for future programmers
 - A CD containing the above two documents and all the developed software



Projects suggestions: Personnel scheduling

- The problem concern the automated definition of the shifts of the medicians in a first-aid department of an hospital (namely ospedale S. Maria Nuova, Reggio Emilia)
- Existing material:
 - A general description of the problem
 - A mathematical model
 - An Xpress implementation with Excel for I/O support



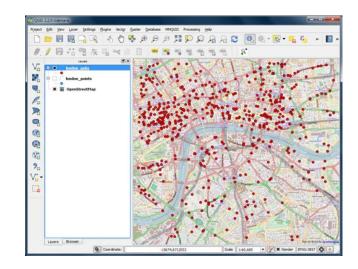
Projects suggestions: Personnel scheduling

Possible activities

- Preliminary activities: Revise problem description, mathematical model, implementation
- Write a web based application using XPRESS on the server side and appropriate human interfaces on the client side
- Write a user interface to make manual choices on an existing solution: this includes feasibility checks and appropriate messages
- Write (re)-optimization algorithms to deal with manual constrains and choices, based on XPRESS
- Write a mobile phone app to interact/modify an existing solution
- Develop an heuristic angorithm not bases on XPRESS to solve the problem
- Write (re)-optimization algorithms to deal with manual constrains and choices, NOT based on XPRESS

Projects suggestions: GIS based routing

- The problem starts from an input GIS map, and additional information (on excel/text/DB) and applies routing optimization algorithms giving as output new GIS layers, and additional informations
- Existing material
 - C++ classes (framework) to read shapefiles and text files
 - A basic VRP algorithm (fortran)
 - Some C++ routines to write GIS layouts from routes





Projects suggestions: GIS based routing

Possible activities

- Revise the C++ classes to interact with the shapefiles (new classes or restructuration of existing ones)
- Embed a simple VRP /CVRP (e.g. Clark and Wright) with the GIS interaction framework
- Develop dial-a-ride algorithms to be embedded in GIS interaction framework (existing or new)
- Develop eco-routing VRP algorithms to be embedded in GIS interaction framework (existing or new)
- Develop EV routing algorithms to be embedded in GIS interaction framework (existing or new)
- Develop client-server based on mobile and standard VRP optimization algorithms on server side