

# Chapter 4:

## Adjustable Robust Linear Programming

Why we need adjustable  
robust models?

# Why worry about decision sequences?

- Consider a simple inventory management problem :

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x,y}{\text{minimize}} \quad \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \overbrace{c_t x_t}^{\text{ordering cost}} + \overbrace{h_t(y_{t+1})^+}^{\text{holding cost}} + \overbrace{b_t(-y_{t+1})^+}^{\text{backlog cost}} \right) \\ & \text{s.t. } y_{t+1} = y_t + x_t - d_t, \quad \forall t, \quad (\text{Stock balance}) \\ & \quad 0 \leq x_t \leq M_t, \quad \forall t, \quad (\text{Min/max order size}) \\ & \quad y_1 = a, \quad (\text{Initial stock level}) \end{aligned}$$

$x_t$  : the amount ordered for time  $t$

$y_t$  : the amount in inventory at beginning of  $t$

$d_t$  : the demand at time  $t$

$a$  : the initial inventory

# A linear programming reformulation

- This is the linearized version of the inventory model:

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{x, y, s^+, s^-}{\text{minimize}} \quad & \sum_{t=1}^T (c_t x_t + h_t s_t^+ + b_t s_t^-) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & s_t^+ \geq 0, s_t^- \geq 0, \forall t, \\ & s_t^+ \geq y_{t+1}, \forall t, \\ & s_t^- \geq -y_{t+1}, \forall t, \\ & y_{t+1} = y_t + x_t - d_t, \forall t, \\ & 0 \leq x_t \leq M_t, \forall t, \end{aligned}$$

How can we make this model robust to demand perturbations?

# Naïve robustification

- Given that the vector of demand  $d$  is assumed to lie in some uncertainty set  $U$ , let's consider the robust optimization model:

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{x, y, s^+, s^-}{\text{minimize}} \quad & \sum_{t=1}^T (c_t x_t + h_t s_t^+ + b_t s_t^-) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & s_t^+ \geq 0, s_t^- \geq 0, \forall t \\ & s_t^+ \geq y_{t+1}, \forall t \\ & s_t^- \geq -y_{t+1}, \forall t \\ & y_{t+1} = y_t + x_t - d_t, \forall d \in U, \forall t \\ & 0 \leq x_t \leq M_t, \forall t \end{aligned}$$

- Unfortunately, this makes the model infeasible even when  $|U| = 2$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_{t+1} = y_t + x_t - d_t^{(1)} \\ y_{t+1} = y_t + x_t - d_t^{(2)} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow d_t^{(1)} = d_t^{(2)}$$

# A less naïve robustification

- Robustify an alternate linear programming reformulation:

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{x, s^+, s^-}{\text{minimize}} \quad & \sum_{t=1}^T (c_t x_t + h_t s_t^+ + b_t s_t^-) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & s_t^+ \geq 0, s_t^- \geq 0, \forall t, \\ & s_t^+ \geq y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t x_{t'} - d_{t'}, \forall t, \\ & s_t^- \geq -y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t d_{t'} - x_{t'}, \forall t, \\ & 0 \leq x_t \leq M_t \quad \forall t, \end{aligned}$$

where we simply replaced  $y_{t+1} := y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t x_{t'} - d_{t'}$   
in order to capture the fact that stock level evolves according to demand.

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Still two issues remain:

- ① the orders should be adjustable w.r.t. the observed demand
- ②  $(s_t^+, s_t^-)$  should be fully adjustable (more subtle)

# Why $(s^+, s^-)$ should be fully adjustable

- Consider the two-stage problem with  $d_1 \in [0, 2]$  :

Deterministic model:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_1} \quad & \underbrace{0.5x_1}_{\text{ordering}} + \underbrace{(x_1 - d_1)^+}_{\text{holding}} \\ & + \underbrace{(d_1 - x_1)^+}_{\text{backlog}} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 2 , \end{aligned}$$

Less naïve model:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_1, s_1^+, s_1^-} \quad & 0.5x_1 + s_1^+ + s_1^- \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & s_1^+ \geq 0, \quad s_1^- \geq 0 \\ & s_1^+ \geq x_1 - d_1, \quad \forall d_1 \in [0, 2] \\ & s_1^- \geq d_1 - x_1, \quad \forall d_1 \in [0, 2] \\ & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

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Less naïve model:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_1} \quad & 0.5x_1 + \underbrace{x_1}_{s_1^{+*}} + \underbrace{2 - x_1}_{s_1^{-*}} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 2 . \end{aligned}$$

Conclusions:

- Less naïve robust model states  $x_1^* := 0$ ,  $s_1^{+*} := 0$ , and  $s_1^{-*} := 2$  with worst-case of 2
- Alternatively,  $x_1=1$  achieves a total cost lower than 1.5 for all  $d_1$  in  $[0,2]$

# An accurate two-stage robust inventory model

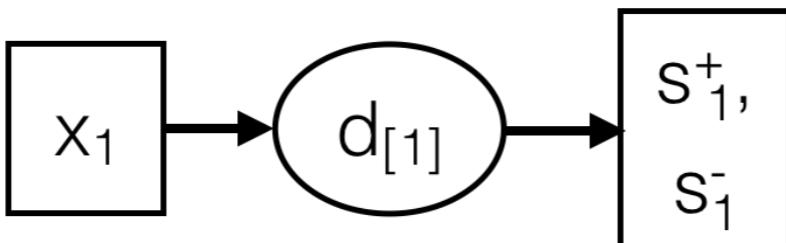
- The robust two-stage problem actually takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize}_{x_1} \quad & \sup_{d_1 \in [0,2]} 0.5x_1 + h(x_1, d_1) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $h(x_1, d_1) := \min_{s_1^+, s_1^-} s_1^+ + s_1^-$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{s.t.} \quad & s_1^+ \geq 0, s_1^- \geq 0 \\ & s_1^+ \geq x_1 - d_1 \\ & s_1^- \geq -x_1 + d_1. \end{aligned}$$

**Timing characterized by accurate robust model**



# Alternate representation of less naïve robust model

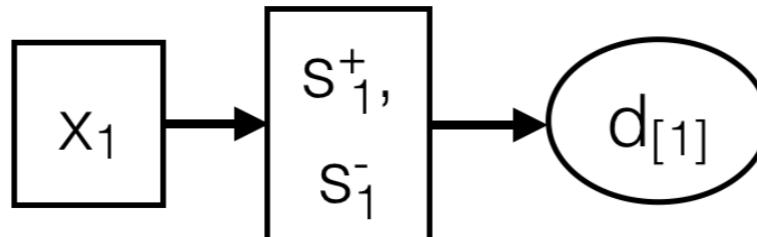
- Comparatively, the less naïve robust model was solving:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize}_{x_1, s_1^+, s_1^-} \quad & \sup_{d_1 \in [0,2]} 0.5x_1 + g(x_1, s_1^+, s_1^-, d_1) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & s_1^+ \geq 0, s_1^- \geq 0 \\ & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 2, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$g(x_1, s_1^+, s_1^-, d_1) := \begin{cases} s_1^+ + s_1^- & \text{if } s_1^+ \geq x_1 - d_1 \text{ and } s_1^- \geq d_1 - x_1 \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

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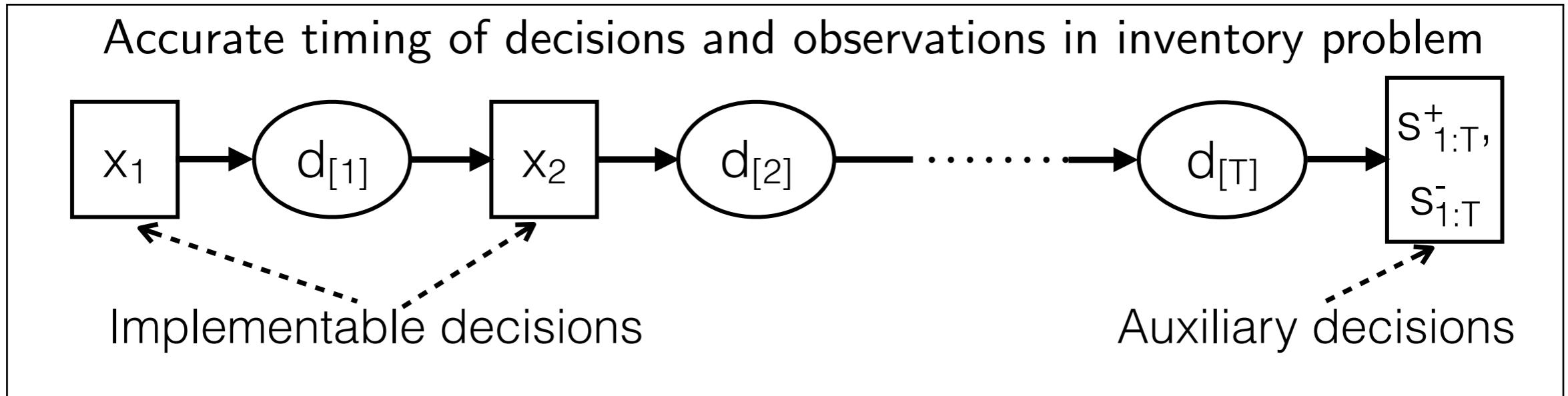


# Takeaway message about adjustable decisions

When robustifying decision models that either involve

- “implementable” decisions at different time periods
- “auxiliary” decisions such as  $s^+$ ,  $s^-$  that are used to assess overall performance of implemented decisions

one needs to carefully identify the chronology of decisions and observations and employ the adjustable robust counterpart framework introduced in (Ben-Tal et al., 2004)



# Two examples in the literature

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## A Robust Optimization Approach to Inventory Theory

$$\text{minimize} \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} (cu_k + Kv_k + y_k) \quad (9)$$

subject to

$$y_k \geq h \left( x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^k (u_i - w_i) \right), \quad k = 0, \dots, T-1, \quad (10)$$

$$y_k \geq -p \left( x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^k (u_i - w_i) \right), \quad k = 0, \dots, T-1, \quad (11)$$

$$0 \leq u_k \leq Mv_k, \quad v_k \in \{0, 1\}, \quad k = 0, \dots, T-1, \quad (12)$$

where  $w_i = \bar{w}_i + \hat{w}_i \cdot z_i$  such that  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{P} = \{|\mathbf{z}_i| \leq 1 \ \forall i \geq 0, \sum_{i=0}^k |\mathbf{z}_i| \leq \Gamma_k \ \forall k \geq 0\}$ .

Following the technique developed in §2, the robust approach consists here of maximizing the right-hand side of the constraints over the set of admissible scaled deviations.

# Facility Location: A Robust Optimization Approach

$$(P') \max_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Z}, \mathbf{I}, Z_0, \tau} \tau,$$

s.t.

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^T (\eta - d_{ij}) D_{jt} X_{ijt} - \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^T c_{it} Z_{it} \quad (7a)$$

$$- \sum_{i=1}^N (C_{i0} Z_{i0} + K_i I_i) \geq \tau,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N D_{jt} X_{ijt} \leq Z_{it} \quad \text{for all } i, t, \quad (7b)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N X_{ijt} \leq 1 \quad \text{for all } j, t, \quad (7c)$$

$$Z_{i0} \leq M I_i \quad \text{for all } i, \quad (7d)$$

$$Z_{it} \leq Z_{i0} \quad \text{for all } i, t, \quad (7e)$$

$$X_{ijt} \geq 0; I_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{for all } i, j, t. \quad (7f)$$

We now transform problem  $(P')$  into a new problem expressing uncertainty by substituting  $\tilde{D}_{jt}$  for  $D_{jt}$  in constraints (7a) and (7b) and then augmenting it with the constraint  $\tilde{D}_{jt} \in U^B$  for all  $j \in N$  and  $t = 1, 2, \dots, T$ .

The augmented constraint for (7a) is

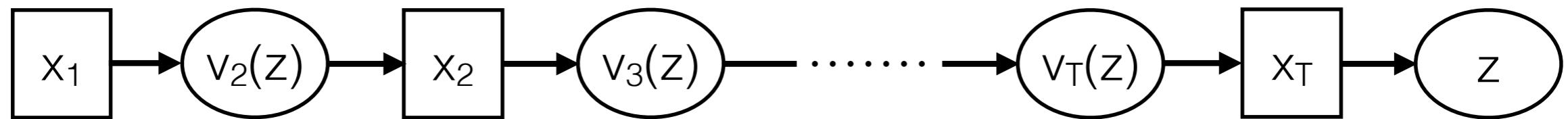
$$\min_{\tilde{D}_{jt} \in U^B} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{D}_{jt} (\eta - d_{ij}) X_{ijt} \right\} - \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^T c_{it} Z_{it} \\ - \sum_{i=1}^N (C_{i0} Z_{i0} + K_i I_i) \geq \tau. \quad (8)$$

Next, consider constraint (7b) for a given  $i$  and  $t$ .

$$\max_{\tilde{D}_{jt} \in U^B} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^N \tilde{D}_{jt} X_{ijt} \right\} \leq Z_{it}.$$

# Identifying the chronology of execution and observation

- Here is how we will identify the chronology:



$x_t$  : the decision implemented at time t

$z$  : the underlying uncertainty about the whole future

$v_t(z)$ : function that returns what was observed of  $z$  at time t (i.e. the « visual evidence » at time t)

# Adjustable Robust Linear Programming

- Nominal dynamic problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\{x_t\}_{t=1}^T}{\text{maximize}} && \sum_{t=1}^T c_t^T x_t + d \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{t=1}^T a_{jt}^T x_t \leq b_j, \forall j = 1, \dots, J, \end{aligned}$$

- Multi-stage Adjustable Robust Counterpart:

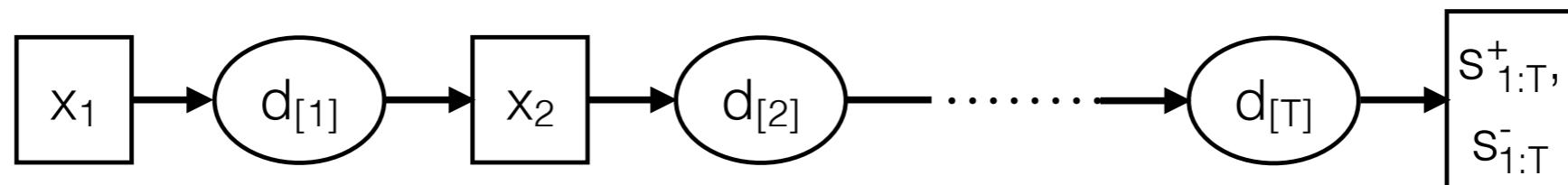
$$\underset{x_1, \{x_t(\cdot)\}_{t=2}^T}{\text{maximize}} \quad \inf_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} c_1(z)^T x_1 + \sum_{t=2}^T c_t(z)^T x_t(v_t(z)) + d(z) \quad (4.8a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad a_{j1}(z)^T x_1 + \sum_{t=2}^T a_{jt}(z)^T x_t(v_t(z)) \leq b_j(z), \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}, \forall j = 1, \dots, J \quad (4.8b)$$

# Multi-Stage ARC for Inventory Problem

- Nominal problem:  $\underset{x_t, s_t^+, s_t^-}{\text{minimize}} \quad \sum_t c_t x_t + h_t s_t^+ + b_t s_t^-$   
 subject to  $s_t^+ \geq 0, s_t^- \geq 0$   
 $s_t^+ \geq y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t x_{t'} - d_{t'}$   
 $s_t^- \geq -y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t d_{t'} - x_{t'}$   
 $0 \leq x_t \leq M,$

- Chronology:



- Progressively revealed uncertainty:

$$v_t(d) = d_{[t-1]} := [ \begin{matrix} I_{t-1} & \mathbf{0}_{t,T-t+1} \end{matrix} ] d = [ \begin{matrix} d_1 & d_2 & \cdots & d_{t-1} \end{matrix} ]^T$$

# Multi-Stage ARC for Inventory Problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x_1, \{x_t(\cdot)\}_{t=2}^T, \{s_t^+(\cdot), s_t^-(\cdot)\}_{t=1}^T}{\text{minimize}} && \sup_{d \in \mathcal{U}} c_1 x_1 + \sum_t c_t x_t(d_{[t-1]}) + h_t s_t^+(d) + b_t s_t^-(d) \\ & \text{subject to} && s_t^+(d) \geq 0, \quad s_t^-(d) \geq 0, \quad \forall d \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \forall t \\ & && s_t^+(d) \geq y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t x_{t'}(d_{[t'-1]}) - d_{t'}, \quad \forall d \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \forall t \\ & && s_t^-(d) \geq -y_1 + \sum_{t'=1}^t d_{t'} - x_{t'}(d_{[t'-1]}), \quad \forall d \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \forall t \\ & && 0 \leq x_t(d_{[t'-1]}) \leq M, \quad \forall d \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \forall t, \end{aligned}$$

Solution methods for  
two-stage problems

# Difficulty of resolution of Multi-stage ARC

- Theorem 4.2: Solving the multi-stage ARC model is NP-hard even for a two-stage problem with polyhedral uncertainty.
- To prove this result, we can show that it can be used to answer the NP-complete 3-SAT problem:

# Exact solution methods for Two-stage ARC

- Some exact algorithms have been proposed for the two-stage ARC problem.
- Hypothesis:
  - « fixed » recourse

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{TSARC}) \quad & \underset{x, y(\cdot)}{\text{maximize}} \quad \inf_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} c_1(z)^T x_1 + c_2^T y(z) + d(z) \\ & \text{subject to} \quad a_{j1}(z)^T x + a_{j2}^T y(z) \leq b_j(z), \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}, \forall j = 1, \dots, J \\ & \quad x \in \mathcal{X}, \end{aligned} \tag{4.12}$$

- « relatively complete » recourse

$$\mathcal{X} \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}, \exists y \in \mathbb{R}^n, a_{j1}(z)^T x + a_{j2}^T y \leq b_j(z), \forall j = 1, \dots, J\}$$

# Vertex enumeration

**Theorem 4.6.** : Assume that the uncertainty set  $\mathcal{Z}$  is given as the convex hull of a finite set:

$$\mathcal{Z} := \text{ConvexHull}(\{\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2, \dots, \bar{z}_K\}) .$$

Then, the TSARC presented in problem (4.12) is equivalent to

$$\underset{x, \{y_k\}_{k=1}^K}{\text{maximize}} \quad \min_k c_1(\bar{z}_k)^T x_1 + c_2^T y_k + d(\bar{z}_k) \quad (4.13a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad a_{j1}(\bar{z}_k)^T x_1 + a_{j2}^T y_k \leq b_j(\bar{z}_k), \forall k = 1, \dots, K, \forall j = 1, \dots, J \quad (4.13b)$$

$$x \in \mathcal{X} . \quad (4.13c)$$

**Lemma 4.7.** : Assume that the uncertainty set  $\mathcal{Z}$  is given as the convex hull of a finite set :

$$\mathcal{Z} := \text{ConvexHull}(\{\bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2, \dots, \bar{z}_K\}) .$$

Then, given a concave function  $h(z)$  over  $\mathcal{Z}$ , the optimal value of  $\min_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} h(z)$  is equal to  $\min_{k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}} h(\bar{z}_k)$ .

# Difficulty of vertex enumeration

- A polyhedron described by  $m$  linear constraints, can have up to  $2^{m/2}$  vertices, e.g. the box uncertainty set.
- The next algorithm will use a column & constraint generation scheme to try to find a small subset of vertices needed to identify the robust first-stage decision.
- The hope is that for an  $n$ -dimensional  $x_1$ , we can work with  $n$  vertices

# Performance of decomposition schemes



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Solving two-stage robust optimization problems using a column-and-constraint generation method

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**Table 3**

Performance of Benders-dual and C&CG algorithms on  $70 \times 70$  instances.

$\Gamma$	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%	Avg.
BD (CPU sec.)	776.42	1580.71	1367.34	1300.44	1002.96	935.42	672.68	735.81	619.7	466.68	945.82
C&CG (CPU sec.)	26.16	21.27	72.3	65.22	37.88	54.62	16.72	17.64	9.66	1.55	32.3
Ratio	<b>29.68</b>	<b>74.32</b>	<b>18.91</b>	<b>19.94</b>	<b>26.48</b>	<b>17.13</b>	<b>40.23</b>	<b>41.71</b>	<b>64.15</b>	<b>301.08</b>	<b>63.36</b>
BD (# iter.)	203.9	152.1	117.5	127.1	137.4	143.6	126.3	134.2	136.6	132.4	141.11
C&CG (# iter.)	6.8	5	4.9	5	5.2	5.9	4.5	5.1	4.9	2	4.93
Ratio	<b>29.99</b>	<b>30.42</b>	<b>23.98</b>	<b>25.42</b>	<b>26.42</b>	<b>24.34</b>	<b>28.07</b>	<b>26.31</b>	<b>27.88</b>	<b>66.20</b>	<b>30.90</b>
BD Master (sec./iter.)	1.13	0.79	0.57	0.56	0.46	0.41	0.34	0.35	0.33	0.3	0.52
C&CG Master (sec./iter.)	1.45	0.58	0.57	0.58	0.55	0.72	0.47	0.5	0.51	0.12	0.61
Ratio	<b>0.78</b>	<b>1.36</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>0.97</b>	<b>0.84</b>	<b>0.57</b>	<b>0.72</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>2.50</b>	<b>1.01</b>

# Column & constraint generation algorithm

- Let  $\mathcal{Z}'_v := \{\bar{z}'_1, \bar{z}'_2, \dots, \bar{z}'_{K'}\}$  be a subset of vertices of  $\mathcal{Z}$ , and solve:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize}_{x,s,\{y_k\}_{k=1}^{K'}} & s \\ & \boxed{\text{Optimal solution} = (\hat{s}, \hat{x}, \hat{y}_k)} \end{array} \quad (4.14a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad s \leq c_1(\bar{z}'_k)^T x + c_2^T y_k + d(\bar{z}'_k), \forall k = 1, \dots, K' \quad (4.14b)$$

$$a_{j1}(\bar{z}'_k)^T x_1 + a_{j2}^T y_k \leq b_j(\bar{z}'_k), \forall k = 1, \dots, K', \forall j = 1, \dots, J \quad (4.14c)$$

$$x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad (4.14d)$$

- The approximate value  $\hat{s}$  always provides an upper bound to true optimal worst-case value
- If  $\hat{s}$  is exactly equal to «  $\min_z h(\hat{x}, z)$  », then  $\hat{x}$  is exactly optimal, where

$$h(x, z) := \max_y \quad c_1(z)^T x + c_2^T y + d(z)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad a_{j1}(z)^T x + a_{j2}^T y \leq b_j(z), \forall j = 1, \dots, J.$$

- If  $\hat{s}$  is strictly greater than «  $\min_z h(\hat{x}, z)$  », then there exists a new vertex  $\hat{z}$  of  $\mathcal{Z}$  for which  $h(\hat{x}, \hat{z}) < \hat{s}$

# Column & constraint generation algorithm

- Based on this idea, one can design the following procedure:
  1. Take any  $\hat{x} \in \mathcal{X}$
  2. Identify  $\hat{z} := \operatorname{argmin}_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} h(\hat{x}, z)$  and construct  $\mathcal{Z}'_v := \{\hat{z}\}$
  3. Iterate until algorithm converged:
    - (a) Solve problem (4.14) to obtain  $\hat{x}$  and  $\hat{s}$
    - (b) Identify  $\hat{z} := \operatorname{argmin}_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} h(\hat{x}, z)$ , if  $h(\hat{x}, \hat{z}) = \hat{s}$  then the algorithm converged, otherwise add  $\hat{z}$  to  $\mathcal{Z}'_v$  and iterate
- The procedure will converge in finite amount of time since all polyhedra have a finite number of vertices

# Identifying worst-case z vertex for $\hat{x}$

- The difficulty now relies upon solving the following NP-hard problem:

$$\min_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} h(x, z)$$

$$h(x, z) := \max_y c_1(z)^T x + c_2^T y + d(z)$$

subject to  $a_{j1}(z)^T x + a_{j2}^T y \leq b_j(z), \forall j = 1, \dots, J.$

- One way of doing so is by solving the following MILP:

$$\min_{z \in \mathcal{Z}} h(x, z) := \min_{z \in \mathcal{Z}, y, \lambda, u} c_1(z)^T x + c_2^T y + d(z)$$

$$a_{j1}(z)^T x + a_{j2}^T y \leq b_j(z), \forall j = 1, \dots, J$$

$$\lambda \geq 0$$

$$\lambda_j \leq M u_j, \forall j = 1, \dots, J$$

$$b_j(z) - a_{j1}(z)^T x - a_{j2}^T y \leq M(1 - u_j), \forall j = 1, \dots, J$$

$$c_2 = \sum_j a_{j2} \lambda_j \quad u \in \{0, 1\}^J,$$

# KKT optimality conditions are behind the MILP reformulation

**Corollary 4.10.** : *Given a linear programming problem*

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{y}{\text{maximize}} && c^T y \\ & \text{subject to} && Ay \leq b, \end{aligned}$$

where  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . If this optimization problem satisfies strong duality, then any primal dual optimal solution pair must satisfy the following conditions

Primal feasibility  $\rightarrow A\tilde{y} \leq b$

$$\tilde{\lambda} \geq 0$$

Complementary slackness  $\rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_j(a_j^T \tilde{y} - b_j) = 0, \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, J$

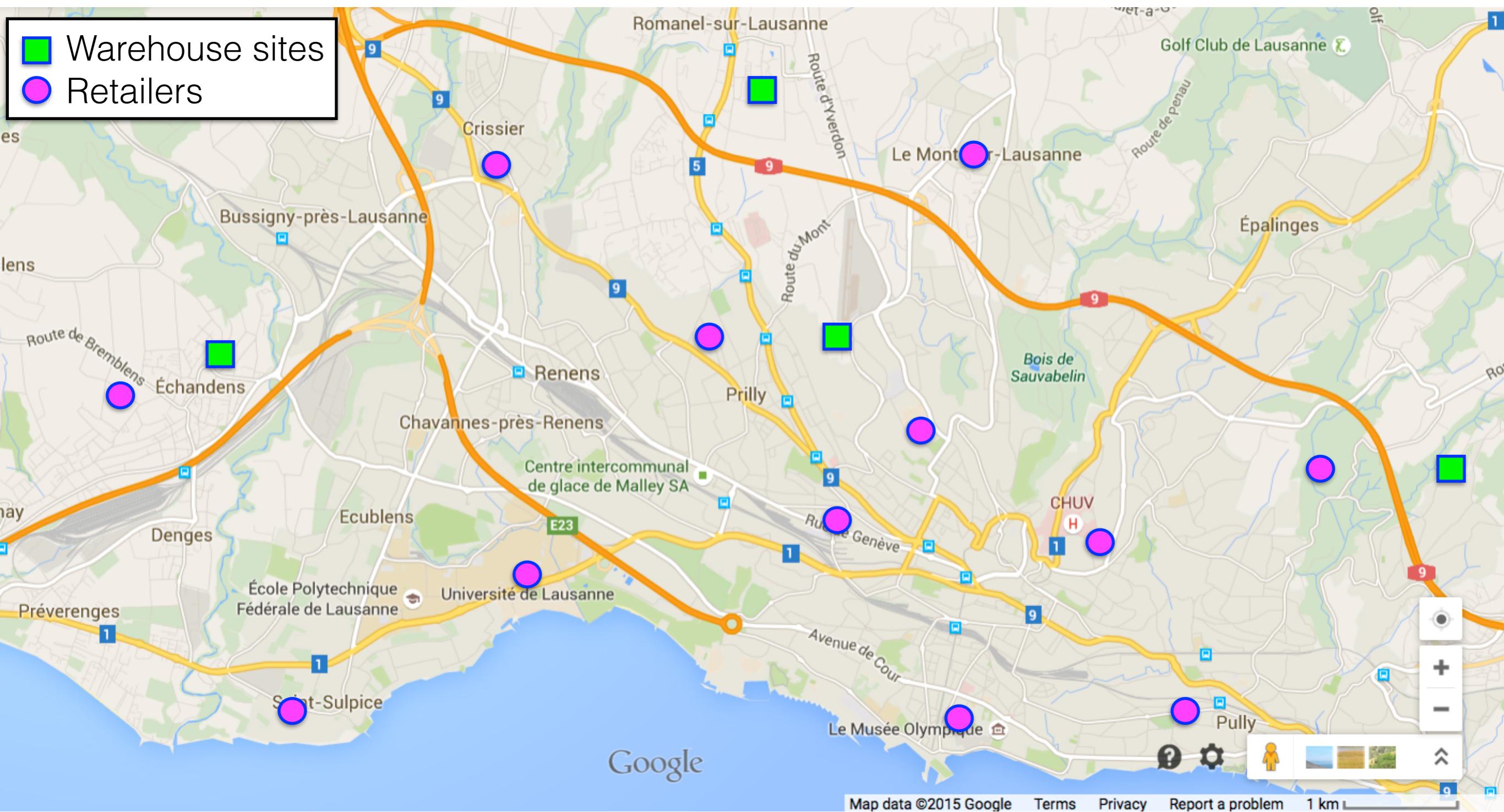
$$c = \sum_j \tilde{\lambda}_j a_j$$

Dual feasibility

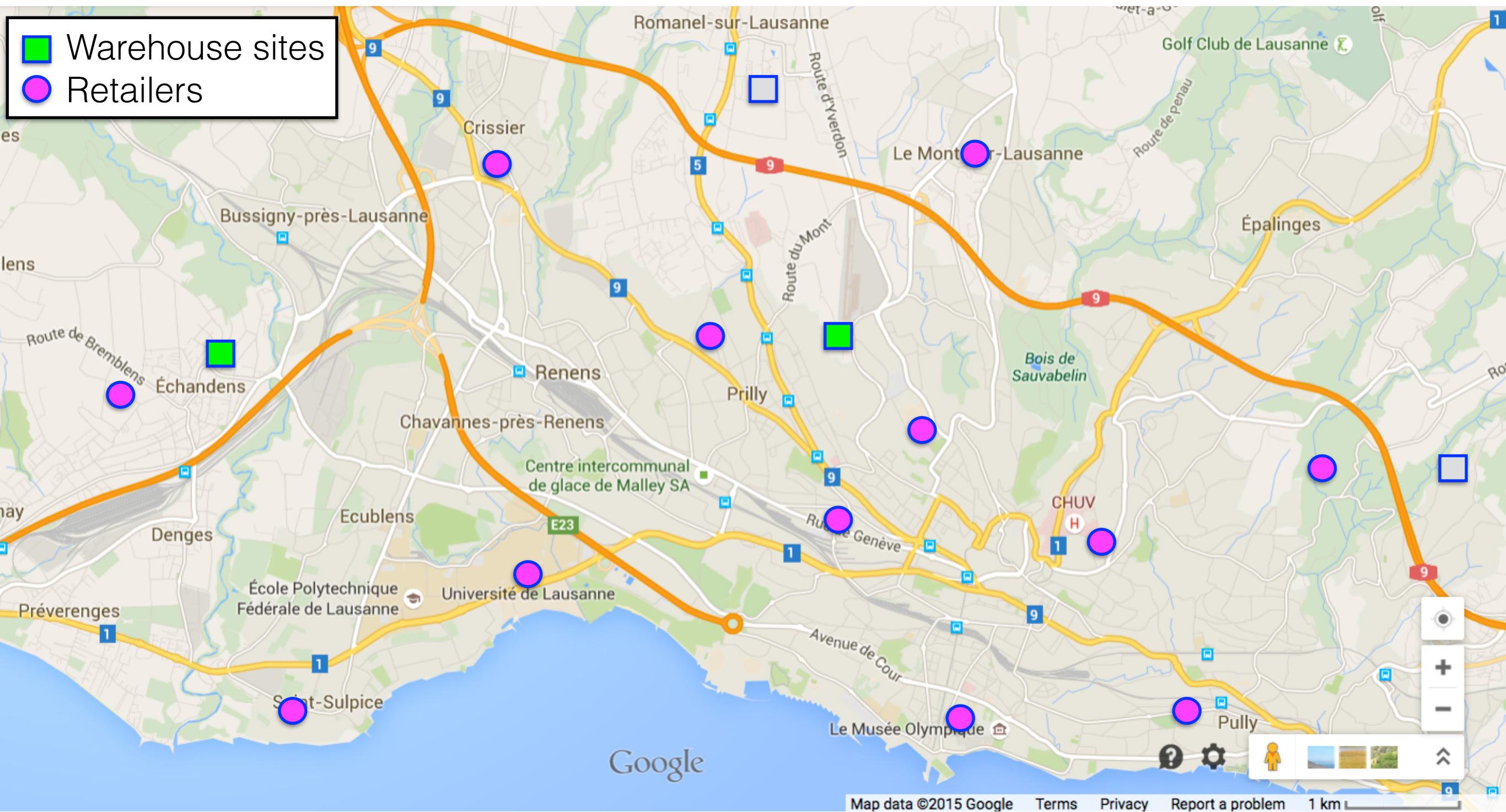
Conversely, let  $\tilde{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\tilde{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}^J$  be any points that satisfy the above conditions, then  $\tilde{y}$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}$  are primal and dual optimal, with zero duality gap.

# Examples

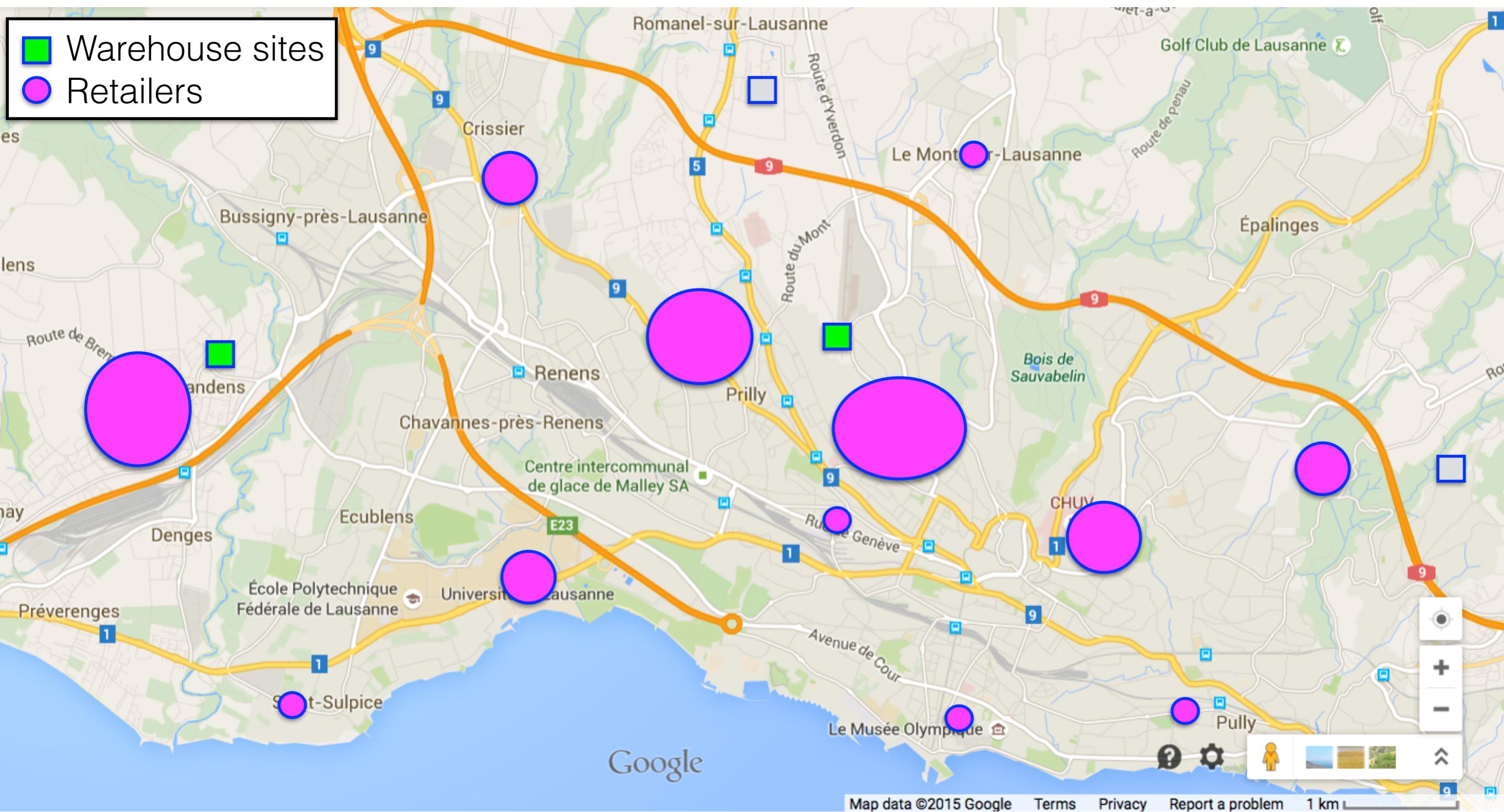
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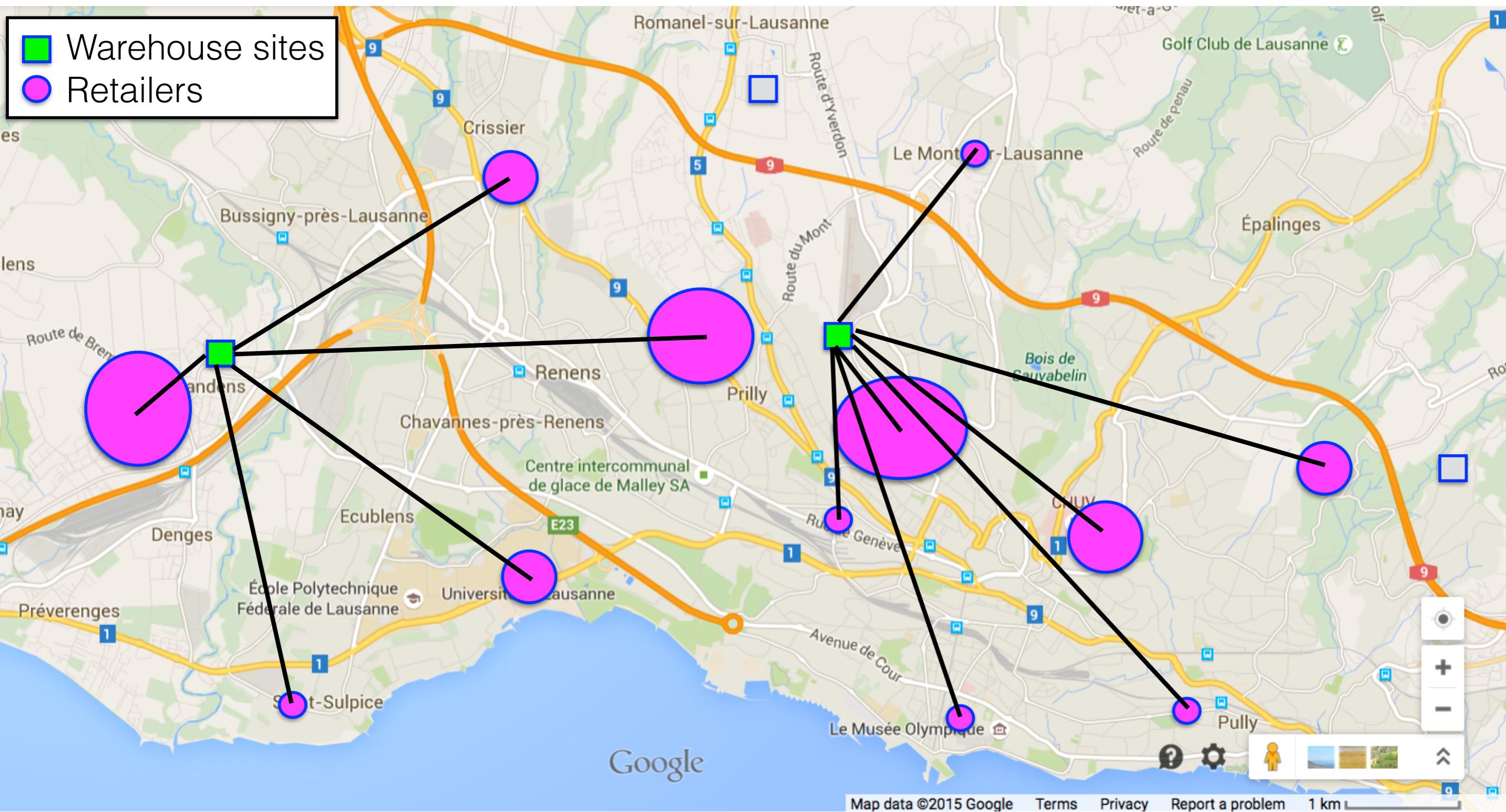
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- Nominal decision problem:

$$\underset{x,y}{\text{maximize}} \quad - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^m (r_{ij} - d_{ij}) y_{ij} \quad (4.20a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij} \leq D_j, \forall j \quad (4.20b)$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^m y_{ij} \leq P_i x_i, \forall i \quad (4.20c)$$

$$y_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \forall i, j \quad (4.20d)$$

$$x \in \{0, 1\}^n, \quad (4.20e)$$

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- Robust decision problem:

$$\underset{x,y(\cdot)}{\text{maximize}} \quad \inf_{z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Gamma)} - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i + \sum_{j=1}^m (r_{ij} - d_{ij}) y_{ij}(z) \quad (4.21a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_i y_{ij}(z) \leq \bar{D}_j + \hat{D}_j z_j, \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Gamma), \quad \forall j \quad (4.21b)$$

$$\sum_j y_{ij}(z) \leq P_i x_i, \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Gamma), \quad \forall i \quad (4.21c)$$

$$y_{ij}(z) \geq 0, \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{Z}(\Gamma), \quad \forall i, j \quad (4.21d)$$

$$x \in \{0, 1\}^n, \quad (4.21e)$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(\Gamma) := \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid -1 \leq z \leq 1, \sum_{j=1}^m |z_j| \leq \Gamma\}$$