Let $\mathscr{C}, \mathscr{P}, \mathscr{T}$ and \mathscr{E} be the set of caregivers, patients, time-slots and equipment respectively. For every $e \in \mathscr{E}$, let \mathscr{C}_e be the set of caregivers that can use equipment e.

For every $e \in \mathcal{E}$ and every $c \in \mathcal{C}_e, p \in \mathcal{P}, t \in \mathcal{T}$ let x_{cpt} be a binary variable $(x_{ctp} = 1 \iff \text{caregiver } c \text{ cares for patient } p \text{ at time-slot } t \text{ with equipment } e)$. If a patient p has to schedule k_p appointments, k_p^e with every piece equipment $e \in \mathcal{E}$; We introduce binary variables $\{y_{t,\dots,t+k_p-1}^p \mid t_{min} \leq t \leq t_{max-(k_p-1)}\}$.

We want to maximize

$$\sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}} \sum_{\substack{c \in \mathcal{E}_e \\ p \in \mathcal{P} \\ t \in \mathcal{T}}} x_{c,p,t}$$

under the following constrains:

- (i). every caregiver c ever cares for at most one patient at any given time-slot t using any piece of equipment e.
- (ii). every patient p ever attends one appointment at given time-slot t.
- (iii). If a patient p has numerous appointments in the same day, they should all be scheduled one after the other.
- (iv). Every patient p and caregiver c have a time window $\mathcal{T}_c, \mathcal{T}_p \subseteq \mathcal{T}$, only in which they are available.
- (v). Every patient p should be scheduled the amount of appointments with required equipment decided by the caregiver.

This in turn becomes:

(i). every caregiver c ever cares for at most one patient at any given time-slot t using any piece of equipment e:

$$\sum_{\substack{p \in \mathscr{P} \\ t \in T}} x_{c,p,t} \le 1 \quad \forall c \in \mathscr{C}$$
 (1)

(ii). every patient p ever attends one appoilment at given time-slot t:

$$\sum_{c \in \mathscr{C}} x_{c,p,t} \le 1 \quad \forall p \in \mathscr{P}, t \in T$$
 (2)

(iii). If a patient p has numerous appointments in the same day, say k, they should all be scheduled one after the other:

$$\sum_{\substack{c \in \mathcal{C} \\ 0 \leq i \leq k_p-1}} x_{c,p,t+i} \geq k_p \cdot y_{t,t+1,\dots,t+k_p-1}^p \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P}, t \in T, t_{min} \leq t \leq t_{max-(k_p-1)}$$

(3)

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} y_{t,t+1,\dots,t+k_p-1}^p = 1 \quad \forall p \in P$$
 (4)

(iv). Every patient p and caregiver c have a time window $\mathcal{T}'\subseteq\mathcal{T}$, only in which they are available:

$$x_{c,p,t} = 0 \quad \forall c \in \mathscr{C}, t \in \mathscr{T} \setminus \mathscr{T}_c$$
 (5)

$$x_{c,p,t} = 0 \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P}, t \in \mathcal{T} \setminus \mathcal{T}_p$$
 (6)

(v). Every patient p should be scheduled the amount of appointments with required equipment decided by the caregiver:

$$\sum_{\substack{c \in \mathscr{C}_e \\ t \in \mathscr{T}}} x_{c,p,t} \ge k_p^e \quad \forall p \in \mathscr{P}, e \in \mathscr{C}$$
 (7)