



# **INF319: A Variable Cost Pickup and Delivery Problem with Multiple Time Windows**

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# Automobile Manufacturing Industry

- One of the most significant industries in Europe
- Highly competitive global market
- Increasing cost pressure
- High flexibility in processes and structures
- Supply chain concept and active management of outbound and inbound flow essential
- Highly complex models with many variables
- Optimization and pickup and delivery models key tools





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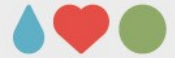




# Pickup and delivery problems

- Well researched problem with a long history.
- Solomon (1987) described an algorithm to the general pickup and delivery problem.
- Vehicle Routing with Stochastic demands Dror et al. (1989)
- Multi-vehicle PDPTW, Desrosiers et al. (1995)
- NP-hard problems -> heuristics, Savelsberg and Sol (1995), and Lu et al. (2004)
- Parragh et al. (2006) - comprehensive survey on pickup and delivery problems and classified PDP in sub-categories.
- Maritime versions of the Problem: Hybrid Cargo generating and routing heuristic in Christiansen et al. (2002), Speed optimization to reduce fuel emissions Christiansen et al. (2004), Hemmati et al. (2014), Hemmati et al. (2016)
- Zhou (2013) proposed a model to reduce the inbound transportation costs for a food processing company.
- PDP with multiple time windows was proposed by, Favaretto et al. (2007) and Ferreira et al. (2018)





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# The Inbound manufacturer

- An inbound perspective -> need for comprehensive model
- Suppliers and Factories
  - Docking limitation
- Carrier vehicle fleet
  - Before and after irrelevance
  - Carriers cost structure
- Multiple time windows
  - Weekly planning period
  - Inbound oriented thinking





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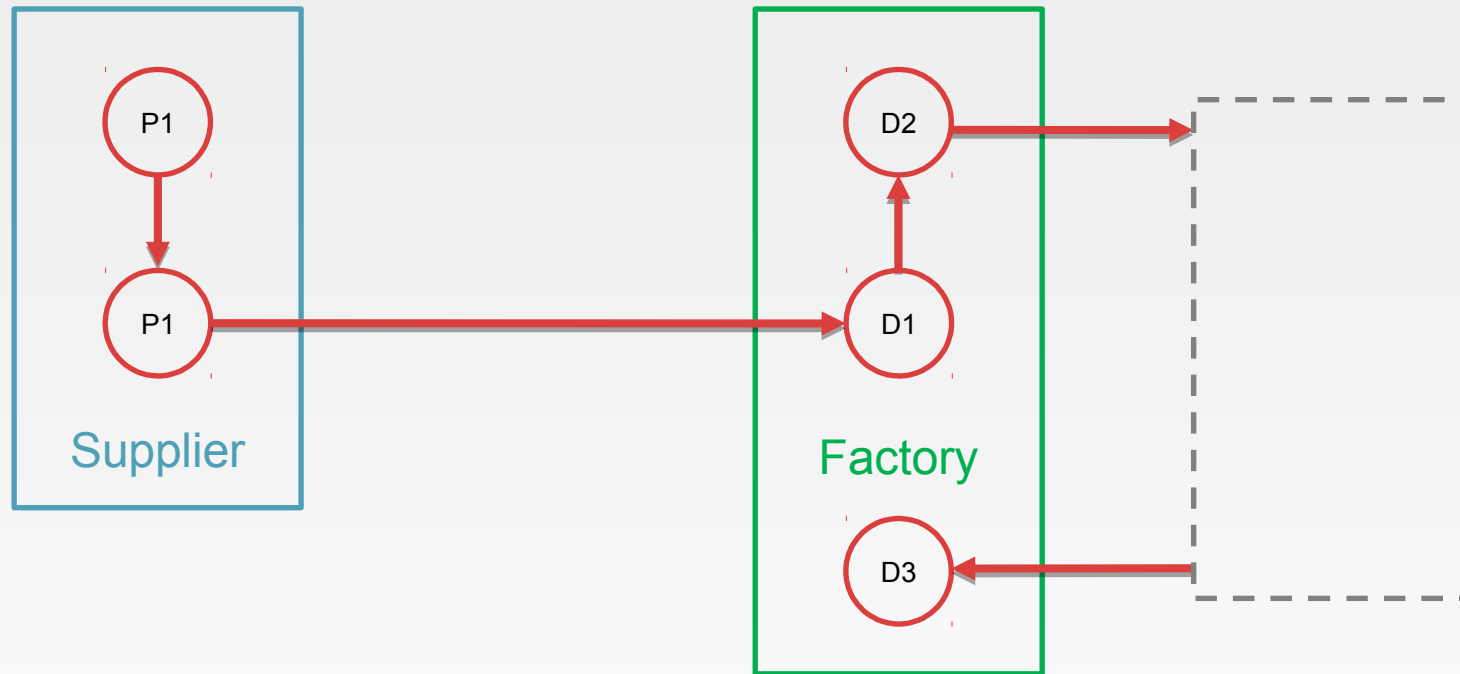
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# Suppliers and factories



Factory: No more than  
2 stops per visit!





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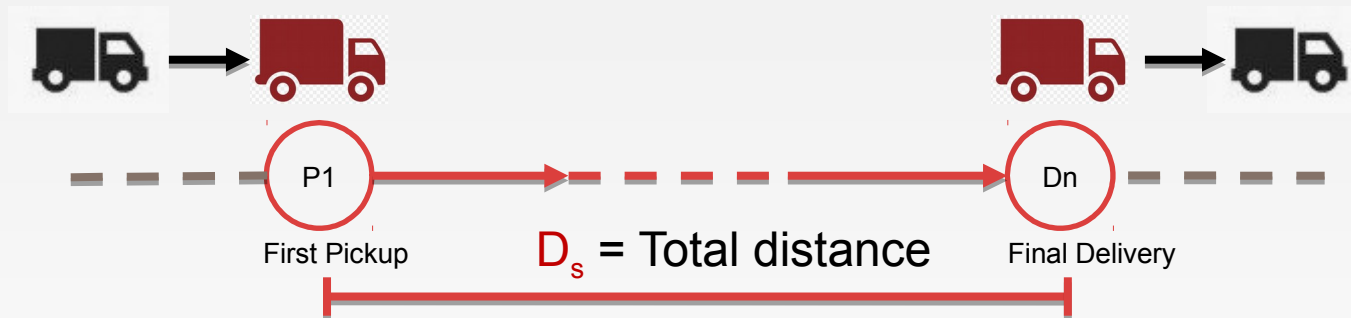
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# Carrier vehicle fleet

- Costs only relevant from pickup to delivery
- Carrier determines how costs are calculated
  - often cost per km depending on interval



Distance interval	$D_1 < 100$	$D_2 < 200$	$D_3 > 200$
$C_s$ = cost per km	$C_1 = 20$	$C_2 = 30$	$C_3 = 40$

$$\text{Total cost} = \sum (D_s * C_s)$$







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# Multiple Time Windows

- Multiple time windows
- Pickup/delivery must be within one of the possible time windows
- Inbound perspective





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# Solution: A VCPDPMTW Model

- Our model: A Variable Cost Pickup and Delivery Problem with Multiple Time Windows (VCPDPMTW)
- Comprehensive model
- Not previously touched to my knowledge
- Goal is to solve the demands of the inbound oriented manufacturer

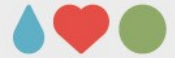




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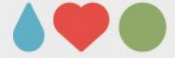


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# Mathematical model

## Sets

$N$  – nodes  $\{1, \dots, 2n\}$   
 $V$  – vehicles  
 $E$  – edges  
 $E_v$  – edges visitable by vehicle  $v$   
 $N_v$  – nodes visitable by vehicle  $v$   
 $N^P$  – pickup nodes  
 $N^D$  – delivery Nodes  
 $F$  – factories  
 $N_f$  – delivery nodes for factory  $f$   
 $S$  – cost structure  
 $P_i$  – time windows at node  $i$ ,  $\{1, \dots, \pi_i\}$   
 $T_i$  – timewindows at node  $i$   $[T_{ip}, \overline{T}_{ip}]$  where  $p \in P_i$

## Parameters

$n$  – amount of orders  
 $K_v$  – weight limit of vehicle  $v \in V$   
 $Q_i$  – weight of order at node  $i \in N$   
 $H_f$  – docking limit at factory  $f \in F$   
 $T_{ijv}$  – travel time from node  $i \in N$  to  $j \in N$  for vehicle  $v \in V$   
 $\pi_i$  – amount of time windows at node  $i \in N$   
 $\overline{T}_{ip}$  – upper bound time of time window  $p \in P_i$  at node  $i \in N$   
 $\underline{T}_{ip}$  – lower bound time of time window  $p \in P_i$  at node  $i \in N$   
 $C_{vs}$  – cost per distance unit in structure interval  $s \in S$  for vehicle  $v$   
 $C_i$  – cost of not transporting order at node  $i \in N^P$   
 $D_{ij}$  – distance between node  $i \in N$  and  $j \in N$   
 $B_s$  – distance for interval  $s \in S$  in cost structure

## Variables

$x_{ijv}$  – binary indicating travel from node  $i \in N$  to  $j \in N$  of vehicle  $v \in V$   
 $y_i$  – binary indicating no pickup of order at node  $i \in N^P$   
 $l_{iv}$  – load of vehicle  $v$  at node  $i$   
 $o(v)$  – origin node of vehicle  $v$   
 $d(v)$  – destination node of vehicle  $v$   
 $h_i$  – docking times in factory at node  $i \in N_f$   
 $t_i$  – time of visit at node  $i \in N$   
 $w_i$  – waiting time at node  $i$   
 $u_{ip}$  – binary indicating usage of time window  $p \in P_i$  at node  $i$   
 $d_{vs}$  – total distance travelled of vehicle  $v \in V$  if it fits in interval  $s \in S$   
 $b_{vs}$  – binary indicating correct interval  $s \in S$  for vehicle  $v \in V$





# Mathematical model

- Objective function:

$$\min \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{s \in S} C_{vs} d_{vs} + \sum_{i \in N^P} C_i y_i \quad (1)$$





# Mathematical model

- Travel constraints:

subject to:

$$\sum_{v \in V} \sum_{j \in N_v} x_{ijv} + y_i = 1, \quad i \in N^P \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N_v} x_{ijv} - \sum_{j \in N_v} x_{jiv} = 0, \quad v \in V, i \in N_v \notin \{o(v), d(v)\} \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N_v} x_{o(v)jv} = 1, \quad v \in V \quad (4)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N_v} x_{jd(v)v} = 1, \quad v \in V \quad (5)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N_v} x_{ijv} - \sum_{j \in N_v} x_{(i+n)jv} = 0, \quad v \in V, i \in N_v^P \quad (6)$$





# Mathematical model

- Weight constraints:

$$l_{iv} + Q_j - l_{jv} \leq K_v(1 - x_{ijv}), \quad v \in V, j \in N_v^P, (i, j) \in E_v \quad (7)$$

$$l_{iv} - Q_j - l_{jv} \leq K_v(1 - x_{i(j+n)v}), \quad v \in V, j \in N_v^P, (i, n+j) \in E_v \quad (8)$$

$$0 \leq l_{iv} \leq K_v, \quad v \in V, i \in N_v^P \quad (9)$$





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# Mathematical model

- Docking constraints:

$$h_i + 1 - h_j \leq H_f(1 - x_{ijv}), \quad v \in V, (i, j) \in E_v, i, j \in N_f, f \in F \quad (10)$$

$$h_j \leq H_f \sum_{i \in N_v} (x_{ijv}), \quad v \in V, j \in N_f, f \in F \quad (11)$$

$$h_j = \sum_{i \in N_v} (x_{ijv}), \quad v \in V, (i, j) \in E_v, i \notin N_f, j \in N_f \quad (12)$$





# Mathematical model

- Multiple time window constraints:

$$\sum_{p \in P_i} u_{ip} = 1, \quad i \in N \quad (13)$$

$$\sum_{p \in P_i} u_{ip} \underline{T}_{ip} \leq t_i, \quad i \in N \quad (14)$$

$$\sum_{p \in P_i} u_{ip} \overline{T}_{ip} \geq t_i, \quad i \in N \quad (15)$$

$$t_i + T_{ijv} + w_j - t_j \leq (\overline{T}_{\pi_i i} + T_{ijv} + w_j)(1 - x_{ijv}), \quad v \in V, (i, j) \in E_v \quad (16)$$





# Mathematical model

- Cost structure constraints:

$$\sum_{s \in S} d_{vs} = \sum_{(i,j) \in E_v} x_{ijv} D_{ij}, \quad v \in V \quad (17)$$

$$B_{(s-1)} b_{vs} \leq d_{vs} \leq B_s b_{vs}, \quad v \in V, s \in S \quad (18)$$

$$\sum_{s \in S} b_{vs} = 1, \quad v \in V \quad (19)$$

- Reminder! Objective function:

$$\min \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{s \in S} C_{vs} d_{vs} + \sum_{i \in N^P} C_i y_i \quad (1)$$







# Mathematical model

- Final variable constraints:

$$h_i \geq 0, \quad i \in N \quad (20)$$

$$u_{ip} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i \in N, p \in P_i \quad (21)$$

$$b_{vs} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad v \in V, s \in S \quad (22)$$

$$y_i \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i \in N^P \quad (23)$$

$$x_{ijv} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad v \in V, (i, j) \in E_v \quad (24)$$





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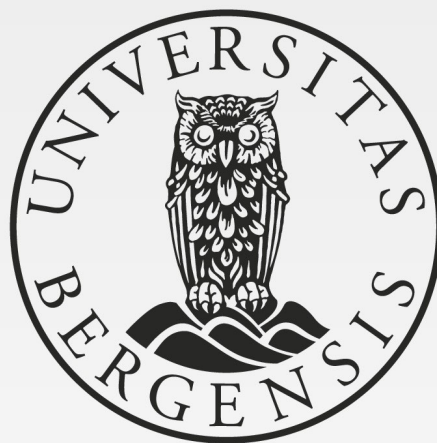


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