

1. Is there a solution that satisfies all customers

2. Which one is the best

$$\sum t_i \rightarrow \min ?$$

1. No, since for city D, E, customers can only get from car e, so they can't get at the same time.

2.

| car \ city | A  | B  | C  | D  | E  |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| a          | 1h |    | 1h |    |    |
| b          | 1h | 2h |    |    |    |
| c          |    | 2h | 1h |    |    |
| d          |    |    | 1h |    |    |
| e          |    | 3h |    | 2h | 1h |

Mentioned in Q1

For D, E the best way is to go to E first then come back to e then to D

$$t_1 = 2 \times 1 + 2 = 4h$$

(If car serves only one, then no D,  $t_1 = 1h$ )

E is occupied so the rest table is

| city \ car | A  | B  | C  |
|------------|----|----|----|
| a          | 1h |    | 1h |
| b          | 1h | 2h |    |
| c          |    | 2h | 1h |
| d          |    |    | 1h |

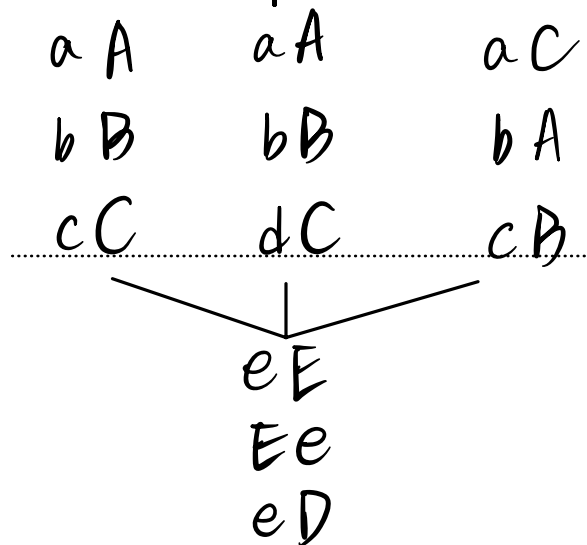
(For each car, round trip won't be profitable since  
 $\min(t_i) \times 2 + \min(t_i) > X \quad i = a, b, c, d$   
 $\forall X \in t_i, X \neq \min(t_i)$ )

Since for city A, B, C. Delivery time is the same for every city. So it doesn't matter allocate which car to it.

$$t_2 = 1 + 2 + 1 = 4h$$

$$t_{\min} = t_1 + t_2 = 8h \text{ (or } 5h \text{ as mentioned)}$$

As for possible combination :



Algorithm :

| city \ car | A  | B  | C  | D  | E  |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| a          | 1h |    | 1h |    |    |
| b          | 1h | 2h |    |    |    |
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## Greedy Algorithm (No round trip)

For cities  $X$ , car  $Y$ ;

$$N(Y_X) = 1 \Rightarrow X_{\text{onepath}}$$

For  $X_{\text{onepath}}$ , car  $Y$ ;

$$Y_{X_{\text{onepath}_i}} = Y_{X_{\text{onepath}_i}}$$

$$T_1 = \min T(Y_{X_{\text{onepath}}}) \Rightarrow X_{\text{allocated}}, Y_{\text{allocated}}$$

For cities  $X_{\text{unallocated}}$ , car  $Y_{\text{unallocated}}$ :

$$T = \min T(Y_X)$$

$$T = \sum (\min T(Y)) + T_1$$