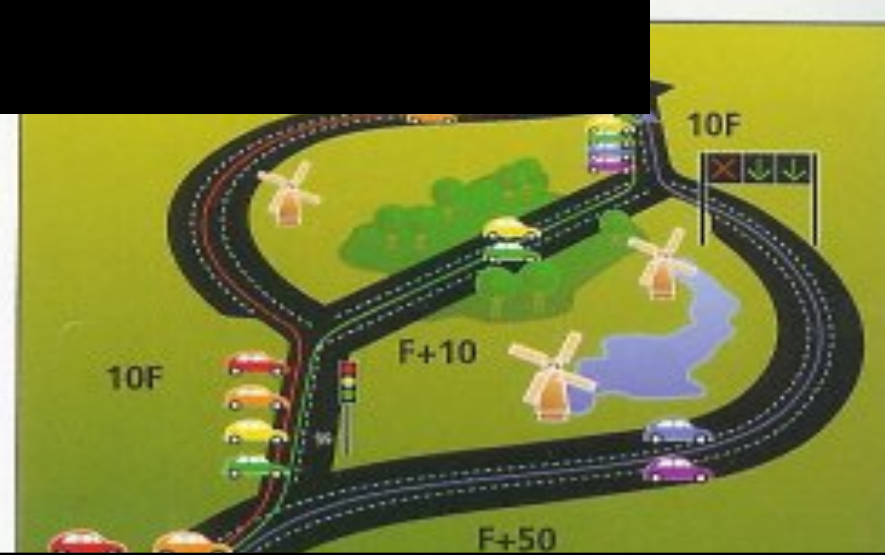


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 Assignment: special topics
 System optimal and Public transport
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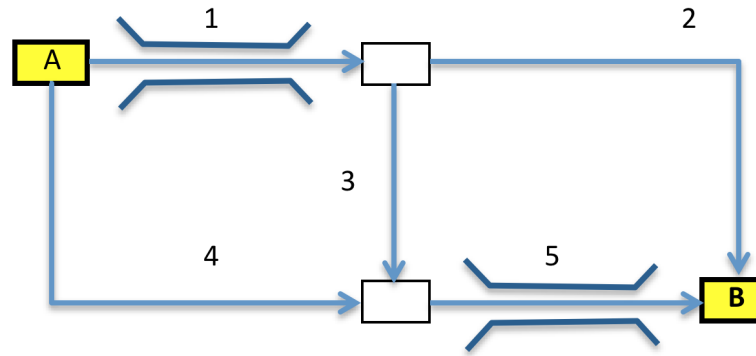
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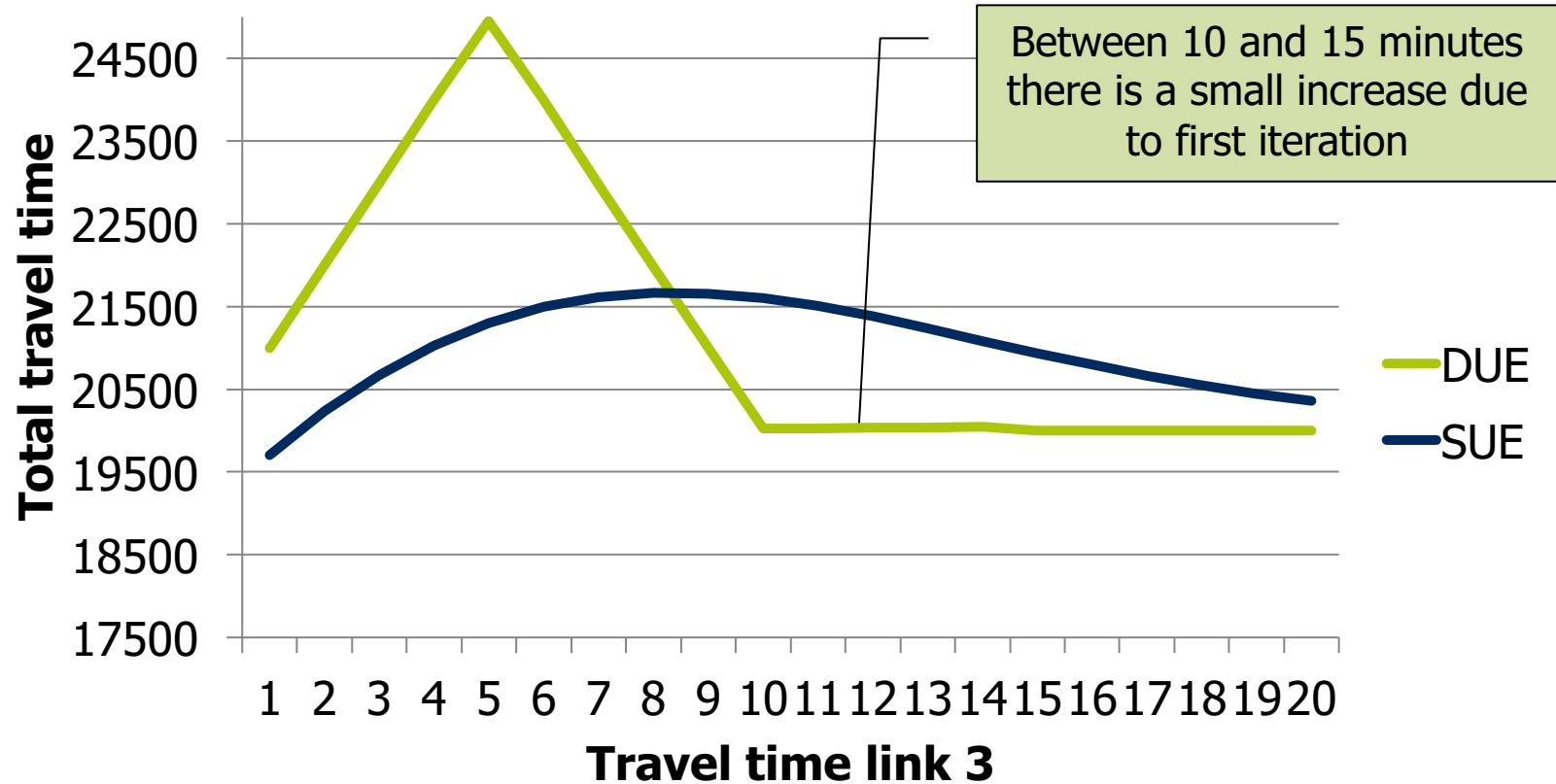
Spreadsheet Braess



- What did you see?
- Adding link 3 can result in higher travel times!
- What happens in case of a substantially lower or higher demand?
- What is the difference between using DUE and SUE assignment?

Difference between DUE and SUE

(demand = 1000)



Comments/questions

- The main concepts
 - Wardrop's equilibrium, speed-flow curves
- The modelling methods
 - Iterative scheme: Method successive averages (MSA)
 - Convergence criteria: Relative or Duality Gap
 - Mathematical programming approach
 - Frank-Wolfe algorithm versus MSA
 - Route based assignment
 - Stochastic equilibrium assignment (SUE)
 - Route based algorithm
 - DUE versus SUE

1.2

*Comments/questions congested
assignment:
DUE versus SUE*

Solution principle DUE

1. Set flows of all links equal to 0
2. Determine link costs based on the link flows
 - In first iteration use free flow travel times
3. Perform an assignment (AON)
4. Determine link flows
5. Return to step 2

Apply either route flow
or link flow averaging

Solution principle SUE

1. Set flows of all links equal to 0
2. Determine link costs based on the link flows
 - In first iteration use free flow travel times
3. Perform an assignment (**Probit or Logit**)
4. Determine link flows
5. Return to step 2

Apply either route flow or link flow averaging

- Stochastic assignment already spreads traffic over routes in a single DUE-iteration => a potential benefit
- Probit implies more AON assignments within a single DUE-iteration => longer computation times
- Logit requires a route based approach (having an additional benefit!), however there's the theoretical drawback: overlap

Duality gap SUE

- Duality gap in words:
total travel time based on links minus total travel time based on (latest) shortest paths
- For DUE the duality gap should become zero (Wardrop principle)
- In a SUE travellers opt routes that are longer but they perceive to be shortest
=> Total travel time for SUE is higher than for DUE
=> Duality gap > 0

2.

*Social equilibrium or
System optimum*

Assignment: optimisation of objectives

- Objective AON $\min_{q_a} Z = \sum_a t_a q_a$
- Objective DUE $\min_{q_a} \sum_a \int_{x=0}^{q_a} t_a(x) dx$
- Similarity or difference?
- Both minimise the surface under function t_a , but.....
- AON: additional traveller doesn't affect other travellers' travel times
DUE: additional traveller affects travel time of all travellers

DSO assignment

Deterministic user-equilibrium (DUE):

Assignment in which each traveller minimises his/her own travel time



Deterministic system optimum (DSO):

Assignment in which the total travel time for all travellers is minimised

Analogy with Game Theory: “Prisoners’ dilemma”

Individuals X and Y committed a crime
They are in jail and are asked individually to confess

Depending on the confession of both X and Y, they face a prison time

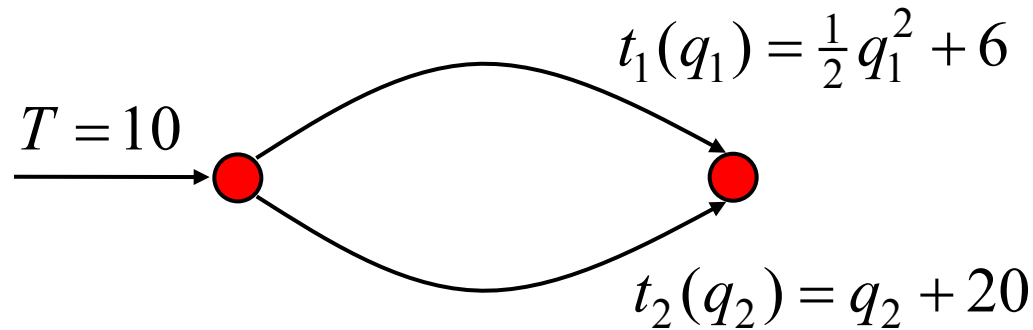
Nash-equilibrium
(# years in prison)

		Y	
		confess	don't confess
X	confess	5, 5	0, 20
	don't confess	20, 0	1, 1

Better off if cooperating! **Pareto-optimum**

Decision rule:
Confessing yields
the best result
independent of the
response of the
other

Example DSO assignment



DUE assignment

$$q_1 = 6, t_1 = 24$$

$$q_2 = 4, t_2 = 24$$

total travel time:
240

DSO assignment

$$q_1 = 4.14, t_1 = 14.57$$

$$q_2 = 5.86, t_2 = 25.86$$

total travel time:
211.8

DSO assignment: mathematical formulation

DUE

$$\min_{q_a} Z_1 = \sum_a \int_{x=0}^{q_a} t_a(x) dx$$

DSO

$$\min_{q_a} Z_2 = \sum_a t_a(q_a) \cdot q_a$$

subject to:

$$\sum_r T_{ijr} = T_{ij} \quad \forall i, j$$

$$q_a = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_r \alpha_{ijr}^a T_{ijr} \quad \forall a$$

$$T_{ijr} \geq 0 \quad \forall i, j, r$$

How to solve for a DSO assignment?

Trick: We can use the same algorithm for solving for a DUE assignment by *replacing the travel time function!*

$$\min_{q_a} \sum_a t_a(q_a) \cdot q_a \quad \Rightarrow \quad \min_{q_a} \sum_a \int_{x=0}^{q_a} t_a^*(x) dx$$

What should we choose for $t_a^*(q_a)$?

$$f(x) = \int f'(x) dx$$

$$f(x) \rightarrow t_a(q_a) \cdot q_a$$

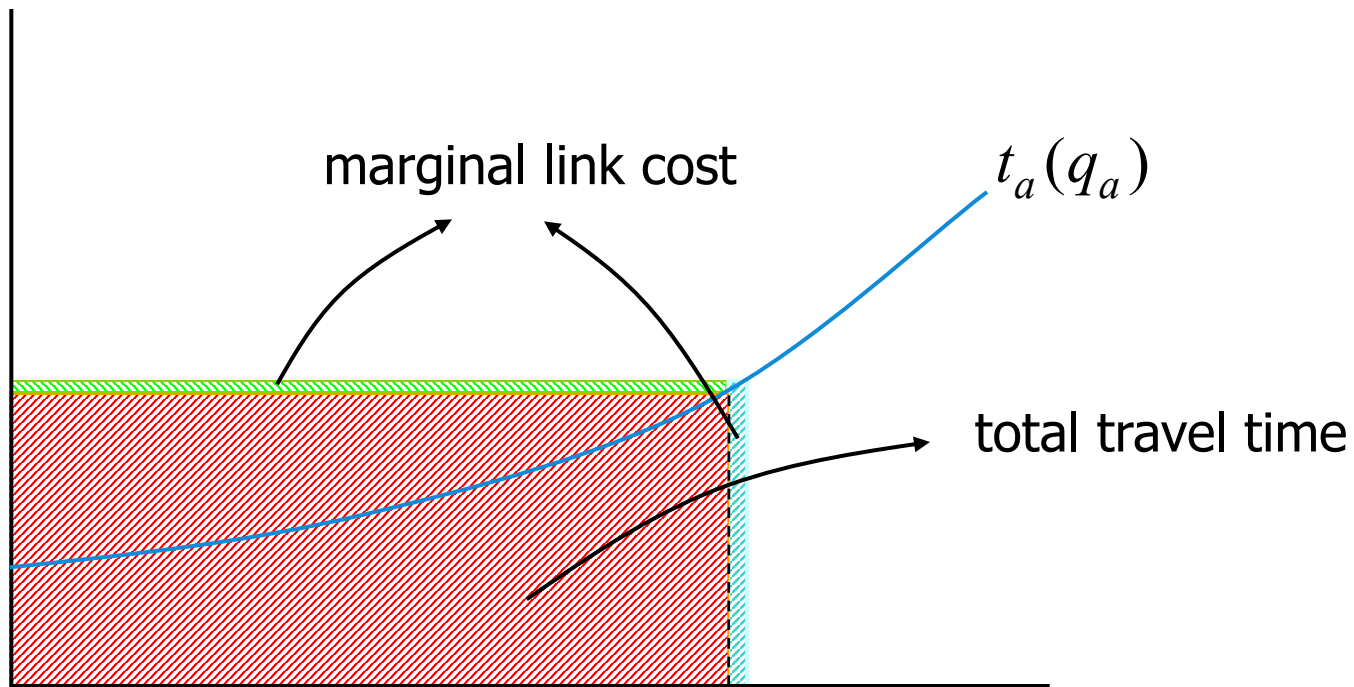
$$f'(x) \rightarrow \frac{d}{dq_a} (t_a(q_a) \cdot q_a) = t_a(q_a) \cdot \frac{dq_a}{dq_a} + \frac{dt_a(q_a)}{dq_a} \cdot q_a$$

$$= t_a(q_a) + t'_a(q_a) \cdot q_a \equiv t_a^*(q_a)$$

$$t'_a(q_a) \cdot q_a = \text{marginal link cost}$$

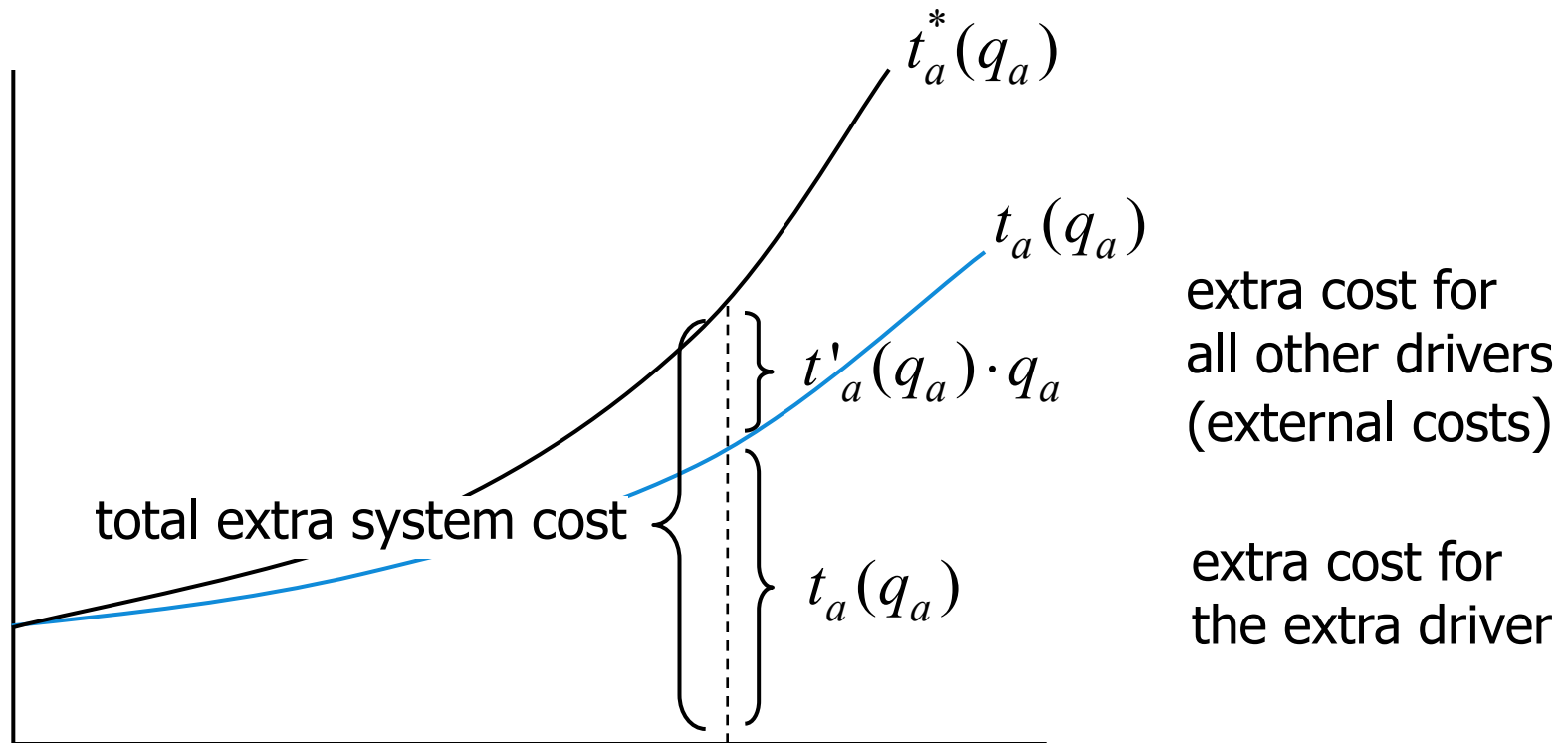
DSO assignment

Marginal link cost =
total extra cost of one extra vehicle on the link
(when there are already q_a vehicles)



Marginal link cost concept

Marginal link cost =
total extra cost of one extra vehicle on the link
(when there are already q_a vehicles)



DSO assignment: Example

Suppose the link travel times are described by the BPR function:

$$t_a(q_a) = t_a^0 \left[1 + \alpha \left(\frac{q_a}{C_a} \right)^\beta \right]$$

Which link travel time function should be used such that we can solve for a DSO assignment by using a DUE algorithm (such as Frank-Wolfe) ?

$$\begin{aligned} t_a(q_a) + t'_a(q_a) \cdot q_a &= t_a^0 \left[1 + \alpha \left(\frac{q_a}{C_a} \right)^\beta \right] + t_a^0 \frac{\alpha \beta}{C_a^\beta} (q_a)^{\beta-1} \cdot q_a \\ &= t_a^0 \left[1 + \alpha(1 + \beta) \left(\frac{q_a}{C_a} \right)^\beta \right] \end{aligned}$$

DSO assignment in practice?

How to reach a system optimal assignment in practice?

 **road pricing** ('rekeningrijden', 'kilometerheffing')

How much should the road pricing toll be on each link?

$$t_a^*(q_a) \equiv t_a(q_a) + \underbrace{t'_a(q_a) \cdot q_a}_{\approx \text{link toll}}$$

N.B. Remember VoT!

3.

Public transport assignment

Topics for discussion

- Main differences between public transport and private modes
 - Generalised costs, common lines, frequency versus schedule based
- Do you understand the network representation?
 - Trunk line
 - Line specific
 - Route sections
- Do you understand the assignment methods?
 - Strategy concept
 - Choice modelling approach
- Are these models appropriate?

3.1

*Public transport assignment:
Difference between car and public
transport assignment*

Differences between car & PT assignment

- Network itself
- Congestion effects
- Route travel costs

Network itself

Car: Physical infrastructure network

PT: Network of services

Space accessibility

- Stops/stations
- Lines

Access and egress links (network)

In-vehicle links and transfers

Time accessibility

- Frequencies
- Operating hours

Waiting time (first stop, transfer)

Mode specific constant

Public transport modes

Modal preferences

Fares

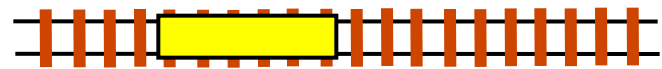
Value of time, fare systems

Link travel times

Car: $t_a = t_a(q_a)$



PT: $t_a = t_a^0$



Bus travel times?

Function of car travel times?

Crowding?

Route travel costs

$$\text{Car: } c_{ijr} = \sum_a \alpha_{ijr}^a c_a \quad (c_a = t_a)$$

Additive costs

$$\text{PT: } c_{ijr} = \dots$$

$$c_{ijr} = \overset{2.2}{\gamma_1} t_{ijr}^{\text{access}} + \overset{1.5}{\gamma_2} t_{ijr}^{\text{waiting}} + \overset{1.0}{\gamma_3} t_{ijr}^{\text{in-vehicle}} + \overset{1.1}{\gamma_4} t_{ijr}^{\text{egress}} + \\ + \overset{2.3}{\gamma_5} t_{ijr}^{\text{walking_int}} + \overset{1.3}{\gamma_6} t_{ijr}^{\text{waiting_int}} + \overset{5.7}{\gamma_7} N$$

Non-additive costs (?)

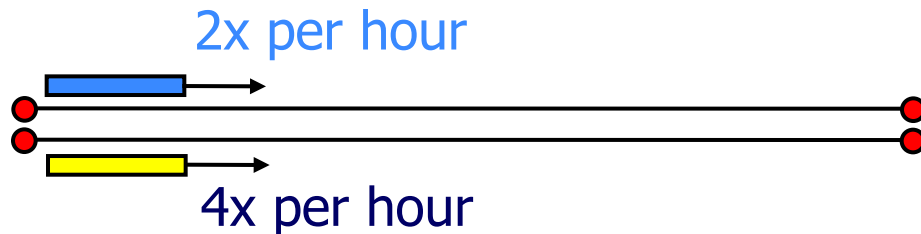
Consequences for assignment?

Non-additive costs would mean that a route based approach using **route set generation** (e.g. enumeration) is necessary.

Once the routes have been generated, the **route costs** can be computed.

How can frequencies, waiting times, and PT costs be determined for specific routes?

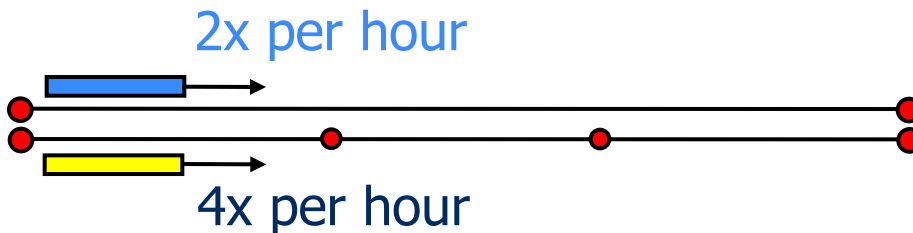
Common lines: frequencies



$$\max\{f_1, f_2\} \leq f \leq f_1 + f_2$$

What is the frequency along this route?

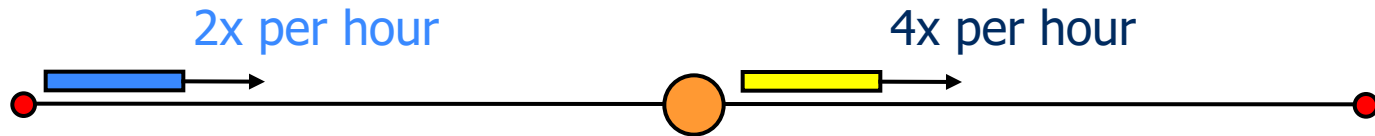
$$4 \leq f \leq 4 + 2$$



What is the frequency along this route?

???

Examples waiting times and costs



What is the **waiting time** at the transfer node?

- based on frequency of the yellow train: $\tau^{\text{waiting}} \approx 7.5$ min.
- assuming the lines are synchronized: $\tau^{\text{waiting}} \approx 0.0$ min.
- assuming the time schedules are known: ...

How much are the **PT costs**?

Depends on:

- zone based, distance based, boarding penalty
- single trip or round trip
- combined ticket
- discount pass
- timing of the trip

3.2

Public transport assignment: Modelling approaches

Criteria for modelling approach

- Network
 - complexity and size
- Algorithm
 - complexity
- Level of detail of results
 - modal split
 - average or maximum line occupancies
 - impact of ITS
- Time dimension
 - long term
 - short term

Algorithms

- Shortest path
- Multi-routing (i.e. between pairs of stops only)
- Multiple routing (between origin and destination)
 - Feasible strategy
 - Enumeration of route sets and choice modelling

Representations & algorithms

Representations

- Line based
 - Trunk lines
 - Line specific
- Route sections

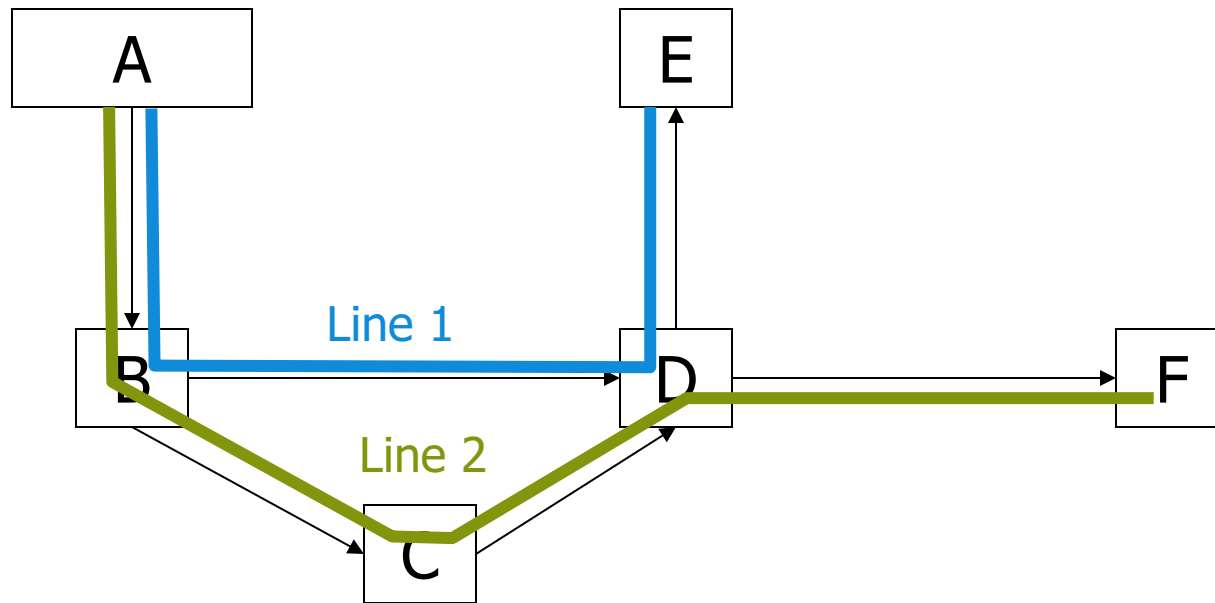
Algorithms

- (Floyd-Warshall)
- Strategies
- Choice modelling

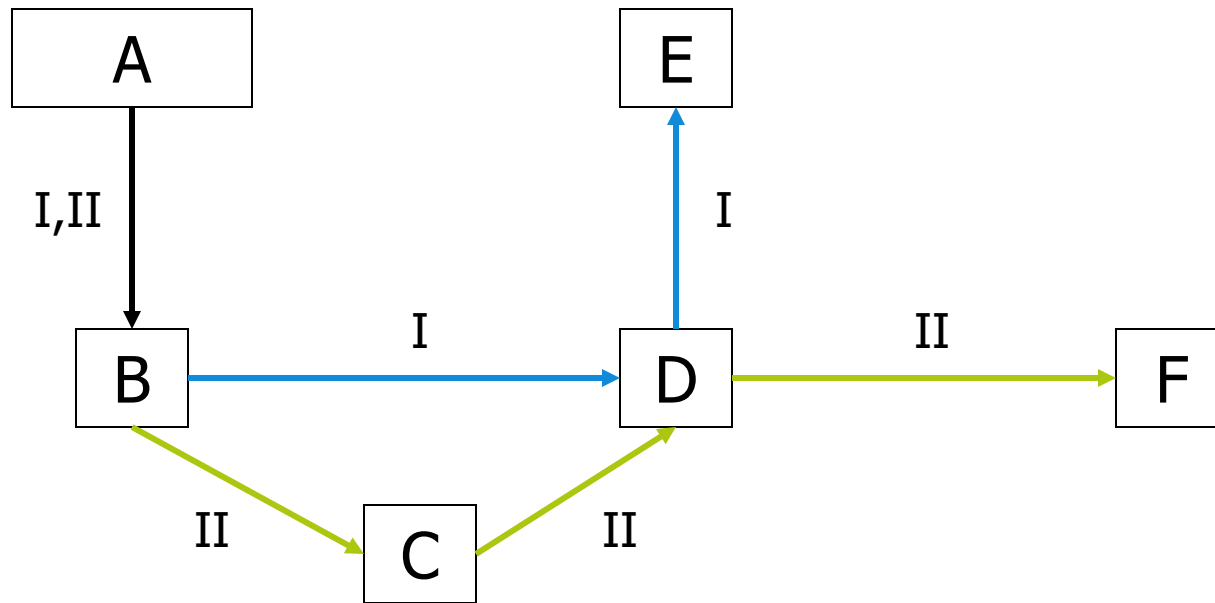
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Public transport assignment: Network representations

Example with 2 transit lines

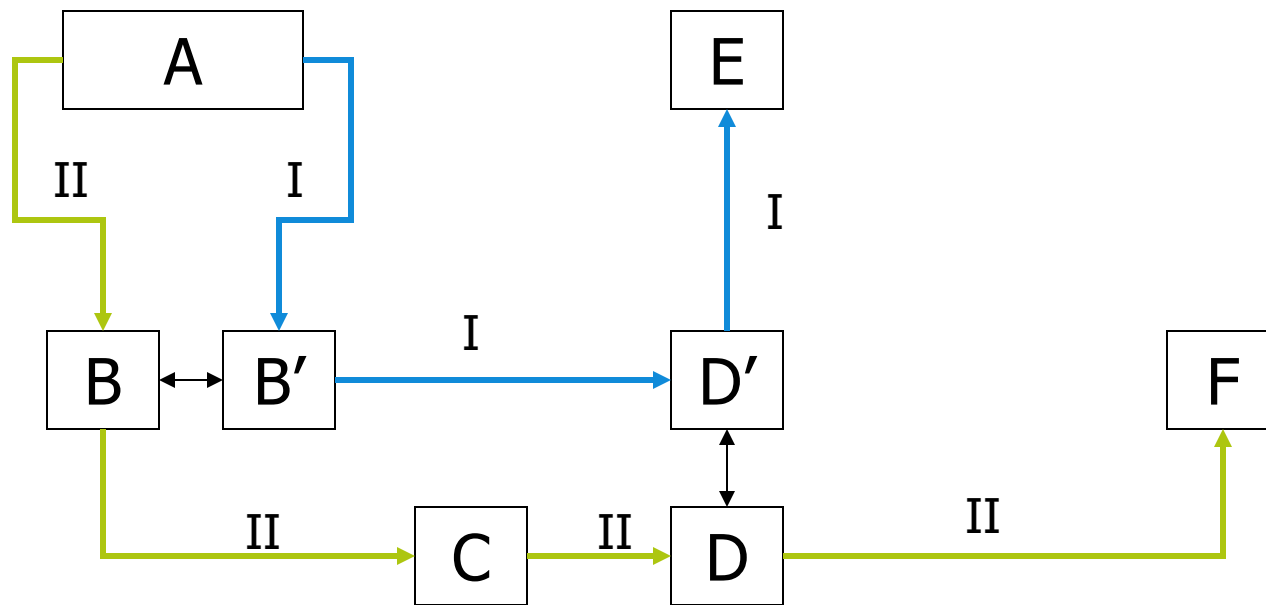


Trunk line links



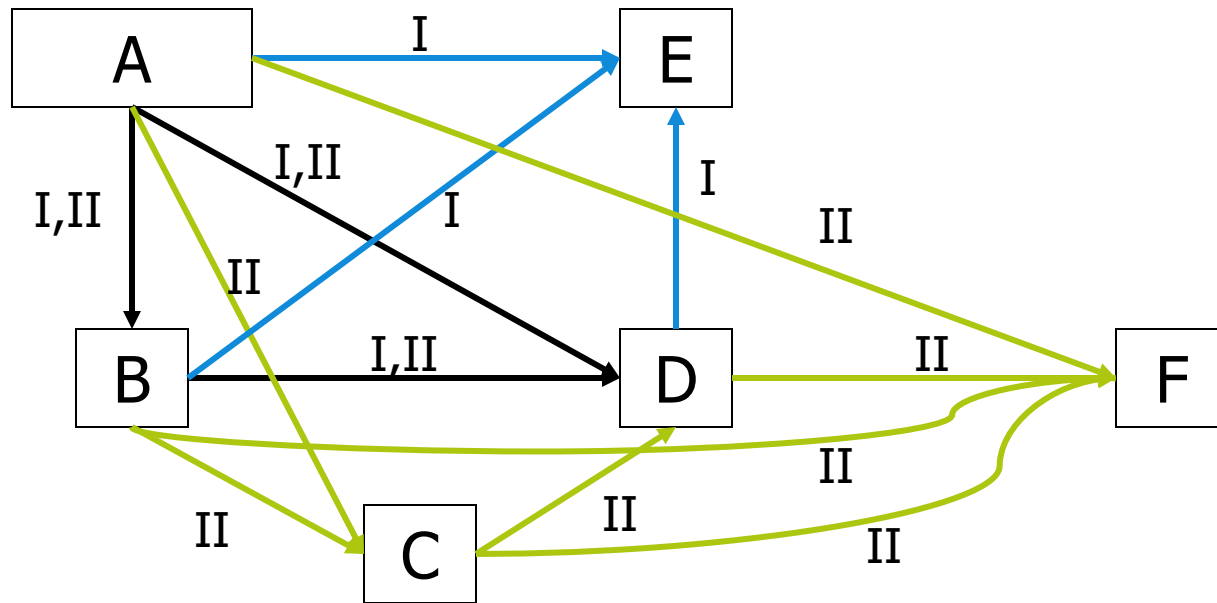
Transfer in algorithm

Line specific network



Transfer links

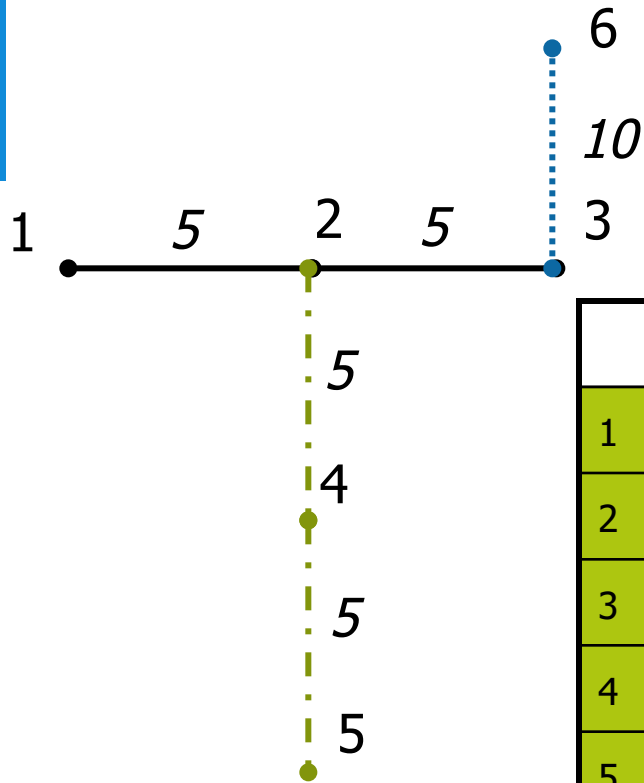
Route Sections



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Public transport assignment: Algorithms

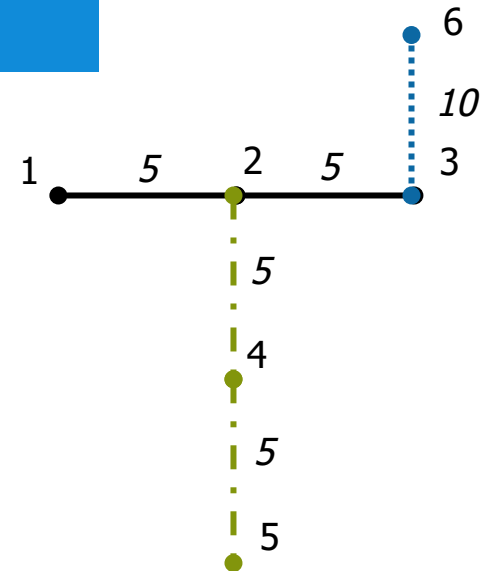
Floyd-Warschall (1 / 2)



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	X	5 † 1	10 † 1	∞	∞	∞
2	5 † 2	X	5 † 2	5 † 2	10 † 2	∞
3	10 † 3	5 † 3	X	∞	∞	10 † 3
4	∞	5 † 4	∞	X	5 † 4	∞
5	∞	10 † 5	∞	5 † 5	X	∞
6	∞	∞	10 † 6	∞	∞	X

Time | back node

Floyd-Warschall (2/2)



	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	X	5 1	10 1	10+Pt 2	15+Pt 2	20+Pt 3
2	5 2	X	5 2	5 2	10 2	∞
3	10 3	5 3	X	∞	∞	10 3
4	∞	5 4	∞	X	5 4	∞
5	∞	10 5	∞	5 5	X	∞
6	∞	∞	10 6	∞	∞	X

For $i = 1, N$

for $j = 1, N$

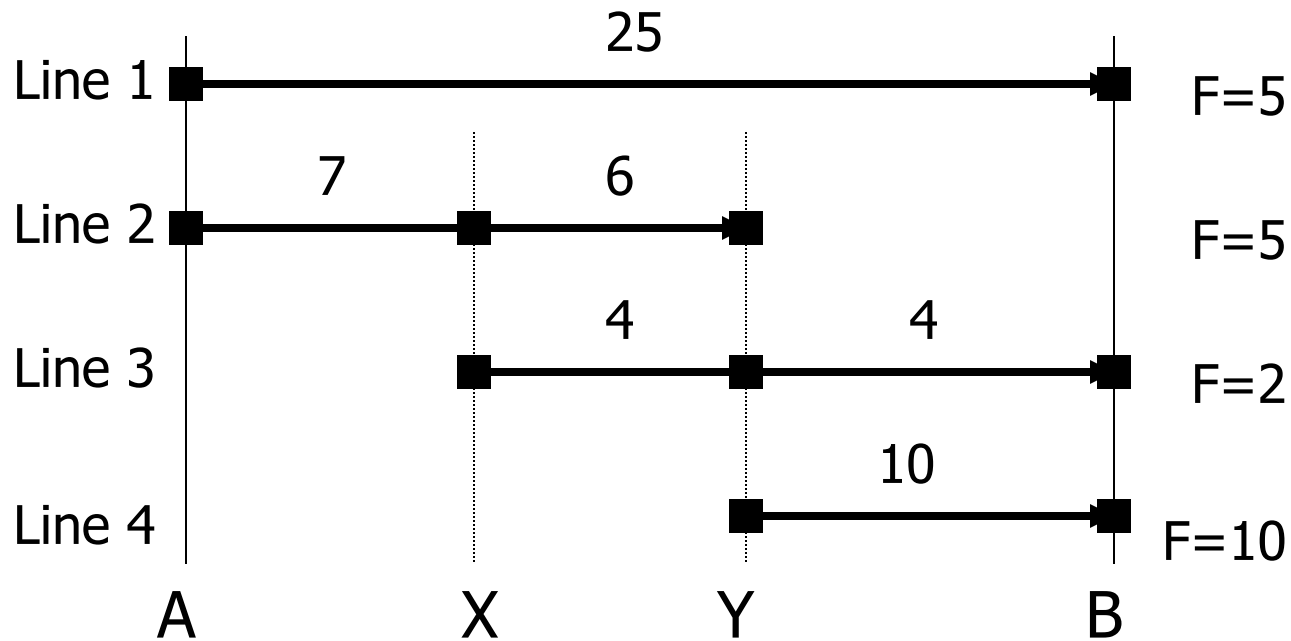
for $k=1, N$

If $Z_{ikj} = Z_{ik} + P_t + Z_{kj} < Z_{ij}$

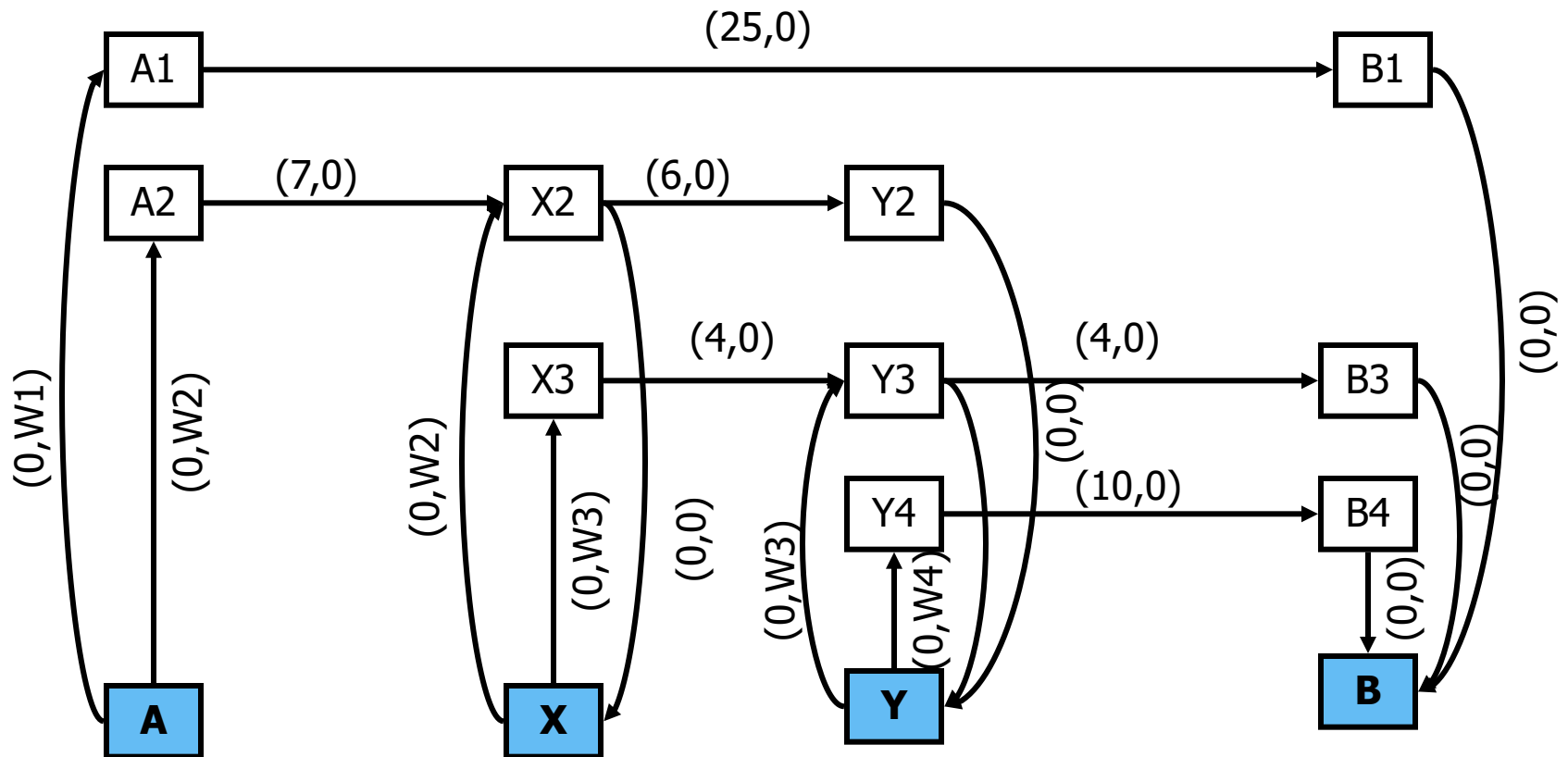
$Z_{ij} = Z_{ikj}$, $back\ node(Z_{ij}) = back\ node(Z_{kj})$

Strategies: network example

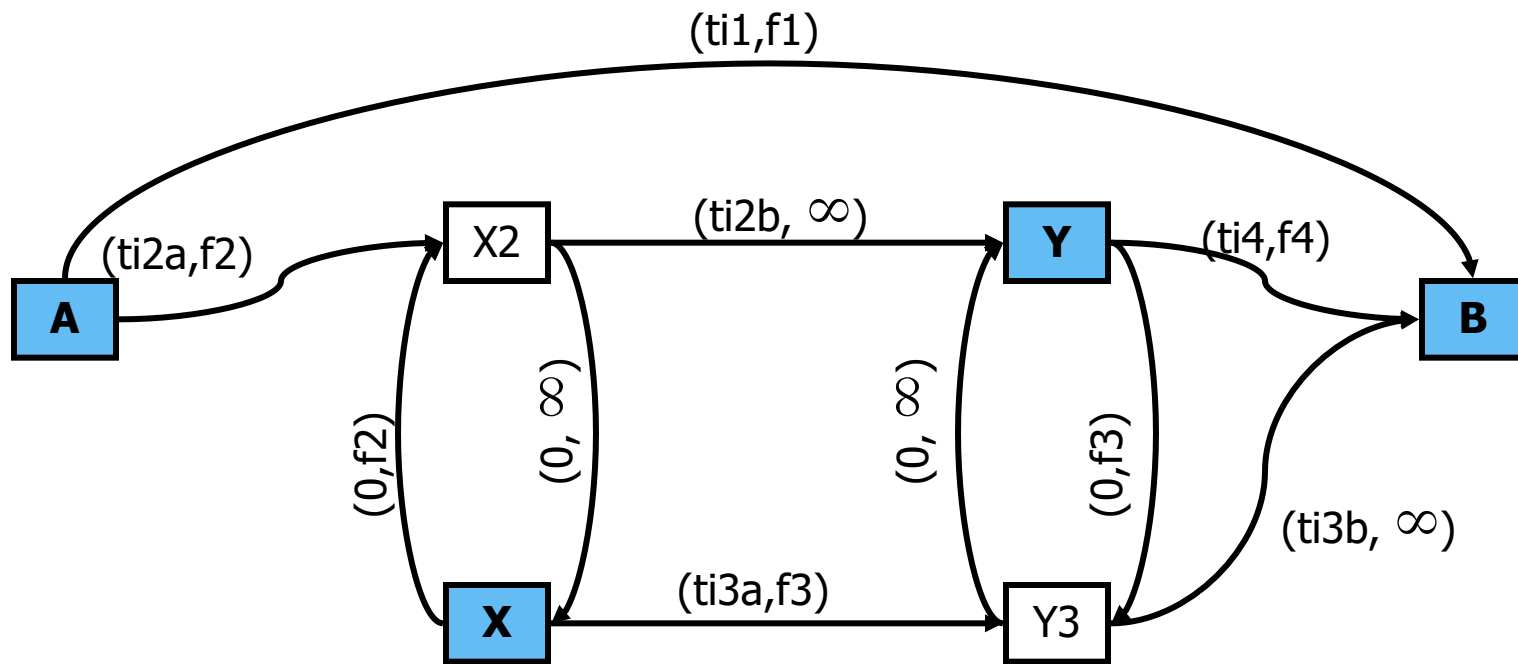
(Spiess & Florian, 1989)



Strategies: extended network



Strategies: reduced version

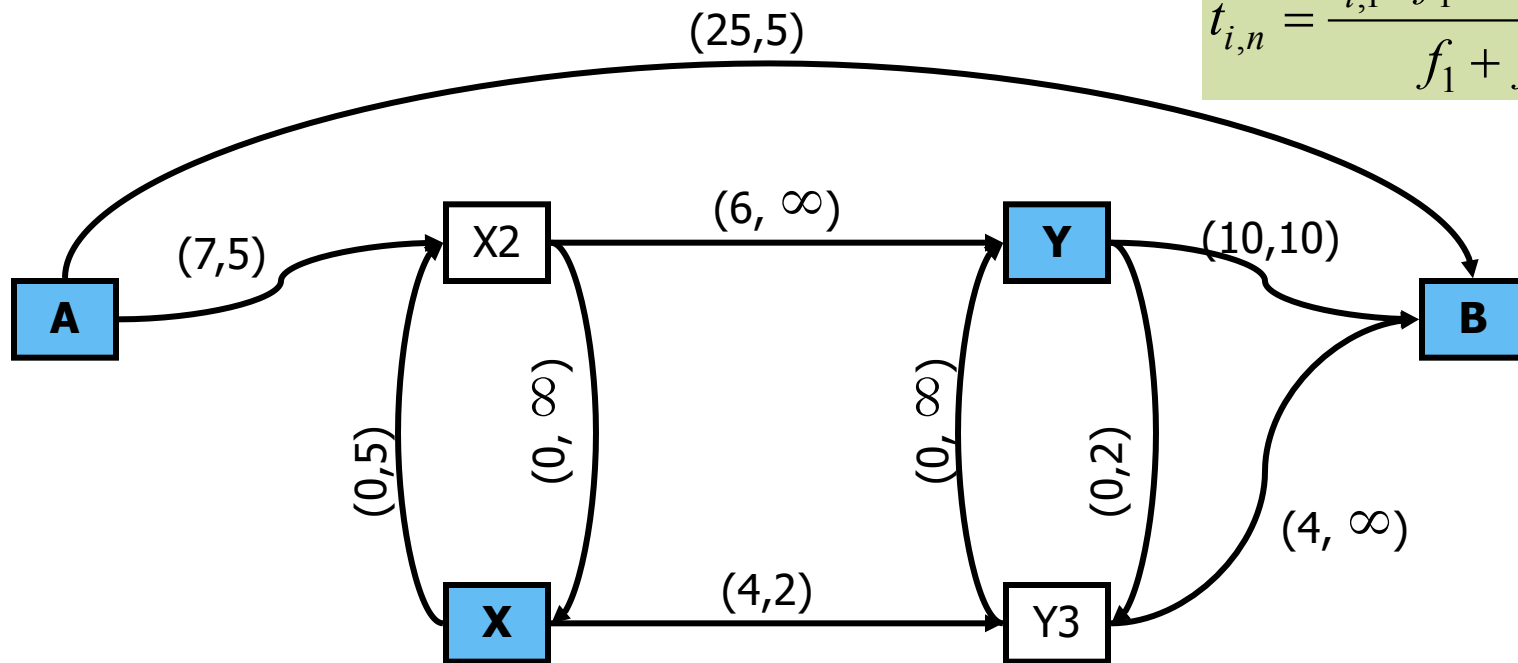


Strategies: reduced version

(time, freq)

$$f_n = f_1 + f_2 \Rightarrow t_w = \frac{30}{f}$$

$$t_{i,n} = \frac{t_{i,1} \cdot f_1 + t_{i,2} \cdot f_2}{f_1 + f_2}$$

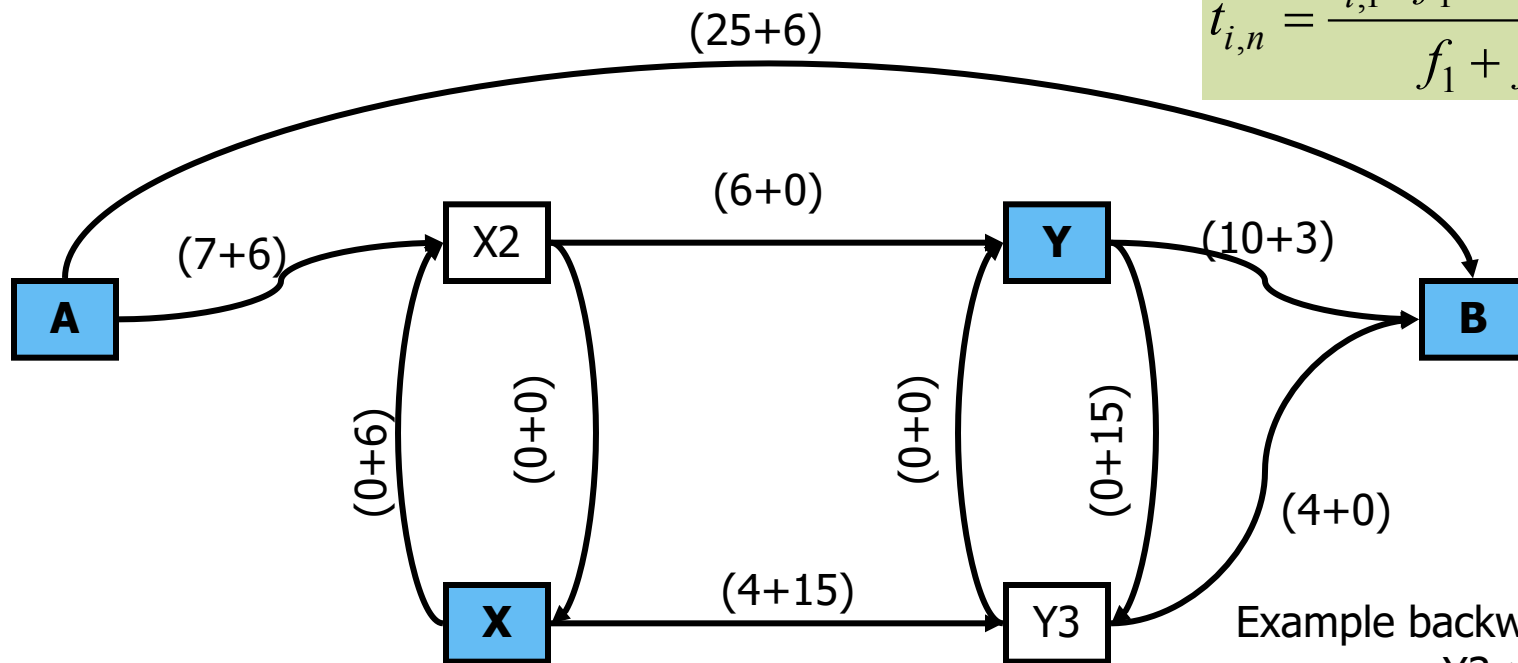


Strategies step 1: Backward search 1

(time + wait)

$$f_n = f_1 + f_2 \Rightarrow t_w = \frac{30}{f}$$

$$t_{i,n} = \frac{t_{i,1} \cdot f_1 + t_{i,2} \cdot f_2}{f_1 + f_2}$$



Example backward search

Y3->B: 4+0=4

Y->B: 10+3=13

Y->B: 4+15=19

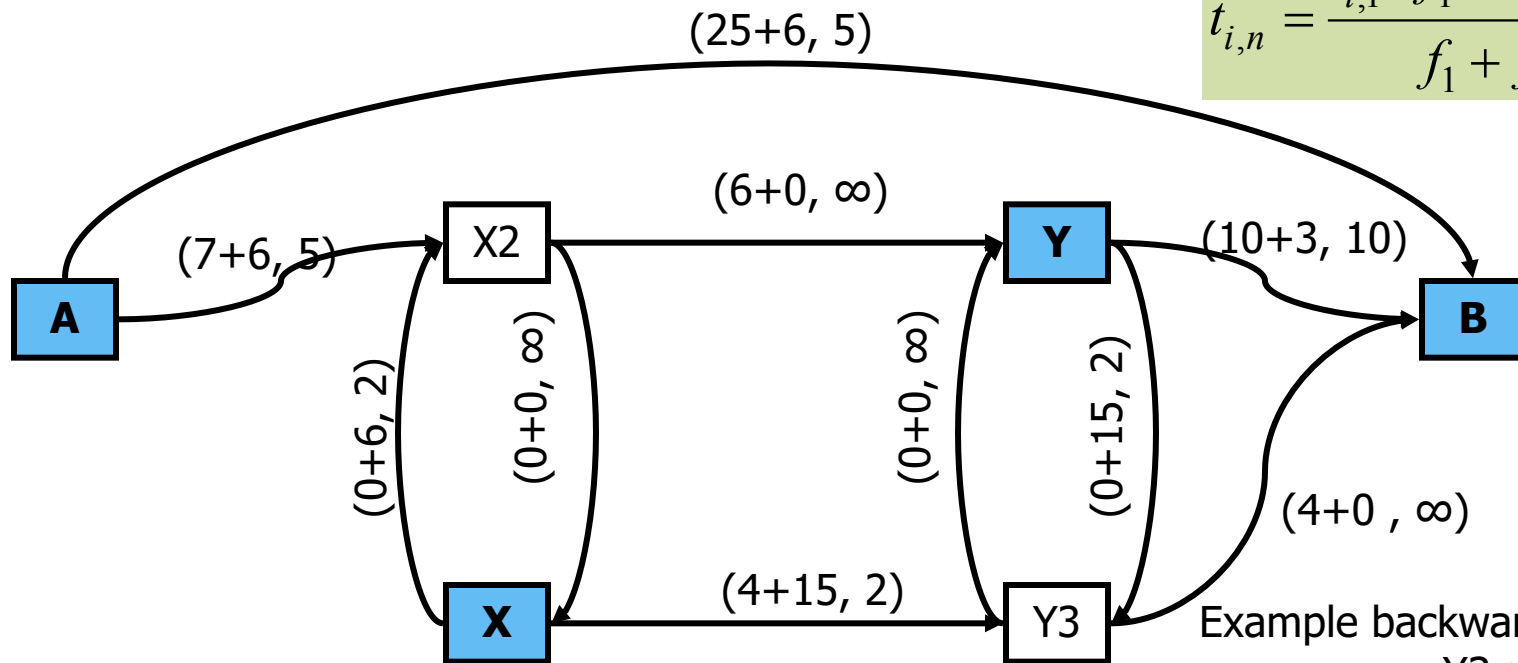
Y->B: $f_n=10+2$, $t_{i,n}=(10*10+2*4)/12=9 \Rightarrow 9+2.5=11.5 < \mathbf{13!}$

Strategies step 1: Backward search 2

(time + wait, freq)

$$f_n = f_1 + f_2 \Rightarrow t_w = \frac{30}{f}$$

$$t_{i,n} = \frac{t_{i,1} \cdot f_1 + t_{i,2} \cdot f_2}{f_1 + f_2}$$



Example backward search 2

Y3->B: 4+0=4

Y->B: aggregate of two routes: 11.5

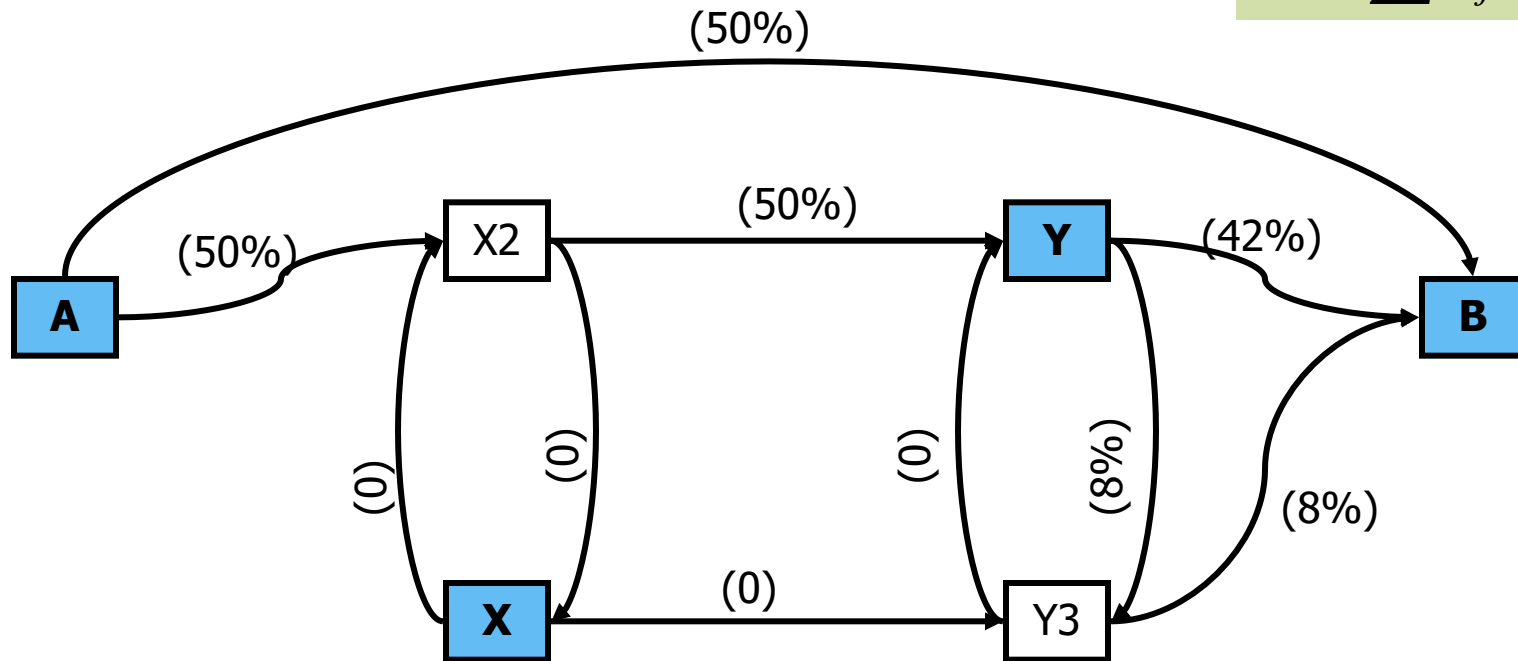
X->B: 4+4+15=23

X2-B=11.4+6=17.5

So once at X2 you don't transfer to X, since the travel time via X is 5.5 minutes higher and there's no waiting time for travelling to Y (you're in the vehicle!)

Strategies step 2: Forward assignment

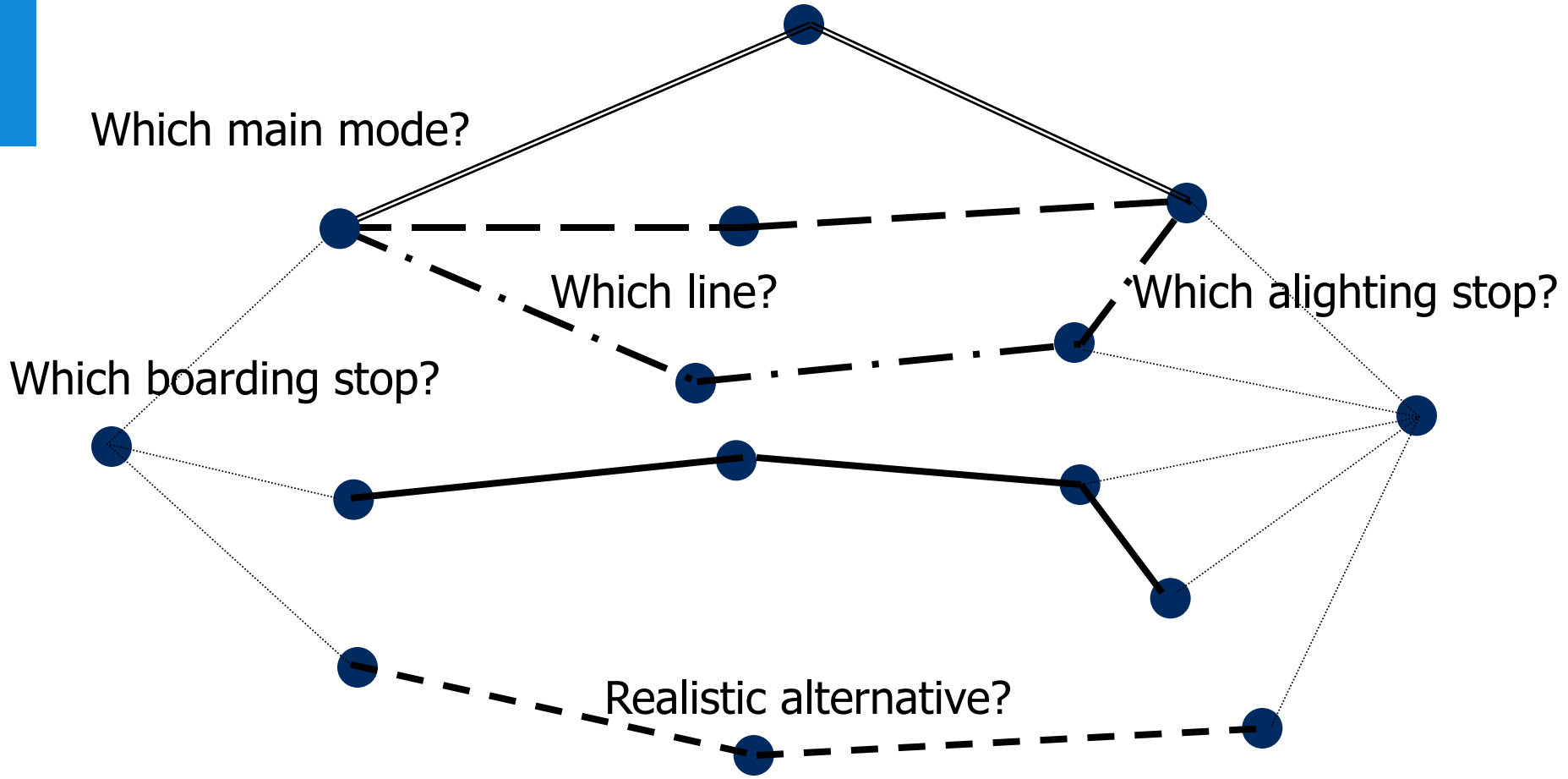
$$p_i = \frac{f_i}{\sum f_j}$$



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*Public transport assignment:
Choice modelling approach*

Sequential choices: network example

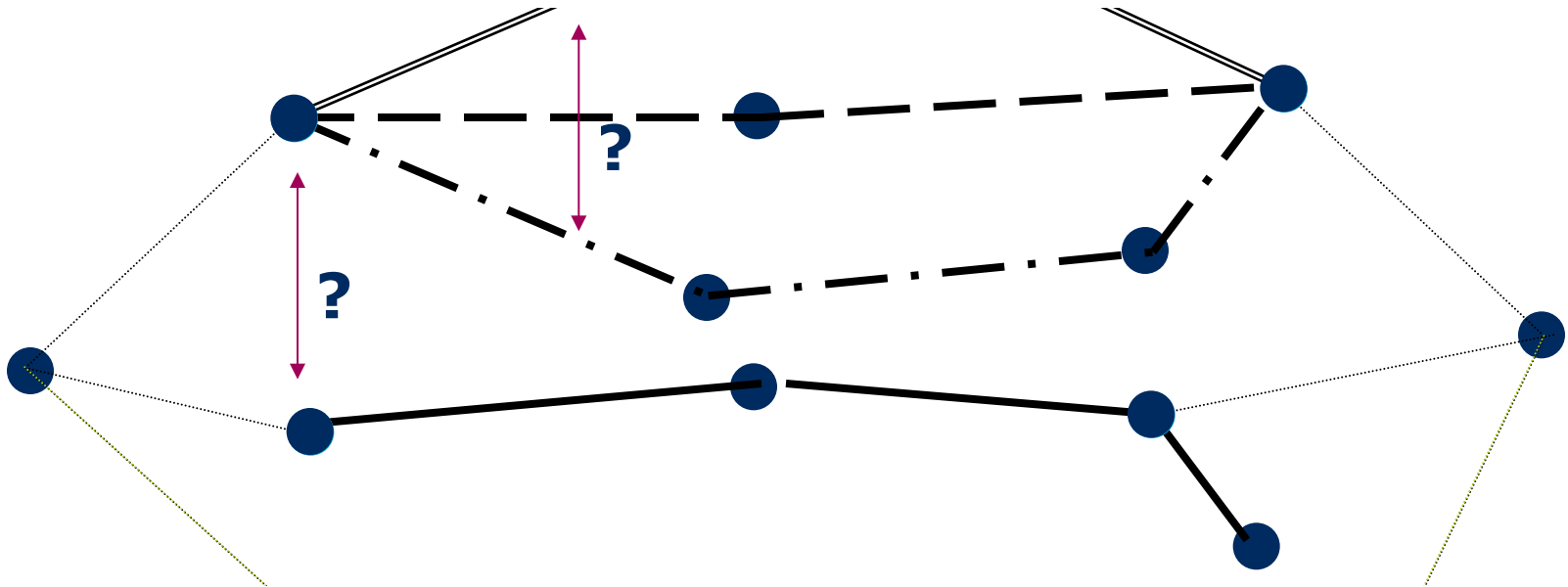


Omnitrans: Route search

- Determine alighting stop(s) at destination (maximum access distance)
- Determine boarding stop(s) at origin (maximum access distance)
- Start at destination, for each alighting stop
- Determine boarding stops without transfer
 - Determine stops that can be reached with one transfer
 - Determine stops that can be reached with two transfers
 -
 - Determine stops that can be reached with N_{\max} transfers
 - Check logic of routes (detour)

Omnitrans: Sequential choices

$P(\text{service}) = f(\text{frequency, (aggregated) generalised costs of service(s)})$



$P(\text{stop}) = f(\text{access, (aggregated) frequencies, (aggregated) generalised costs of available service(s)})$

Basic function for line choice

$$P_{i,s} = \frac{F_i \cdot e^{\beta_l \cdot GC_{i,s}}}{\sum_{j \in L_s} F_j \cdot e^{\beta_l \cdot GC_{j,s}}}$$

This models every vehicle as a separate alternative and groups them per line

$P_{i,s}$ = probability boarding line i at stop s

F_i = frequency of line i

β_l = scale parameter line choice

GC_i = generalised costs from stop s to destination, excluding waiting time (negative!)

L_s = set of line at stop s to travel to the destination

This function can also be applied for line choice at transfer nodes
(different scale parameter is possible)

Basic function for stop choice

$$F_s = \sum_{j \in L_s} F_l \cdot \frac{e^{\beta_l \cdot GC_{j,s}}}{\max_{k \in L_s} e^{\beta_l \cdot GC_{k,s}}}$$

$$GC_s = \theta_a \cdot ta_s + \theta_w \cdot f_w \cdot \frac{1}{F_s} + \sum_{j \in L_s} P_{j,s} \cdot GC_{j,s}$$

$$P_s = \frac{e^{\beta_{bs} \cdot GC_s}}{\sum_{j \in S} e^{\beta_{bs} \cdot GC_j}}$$

F_s = aggregate frequency at stop s

GC_s = utility for boarding at stop s

ta_s = access time at stop s

f_w = factor waiting time

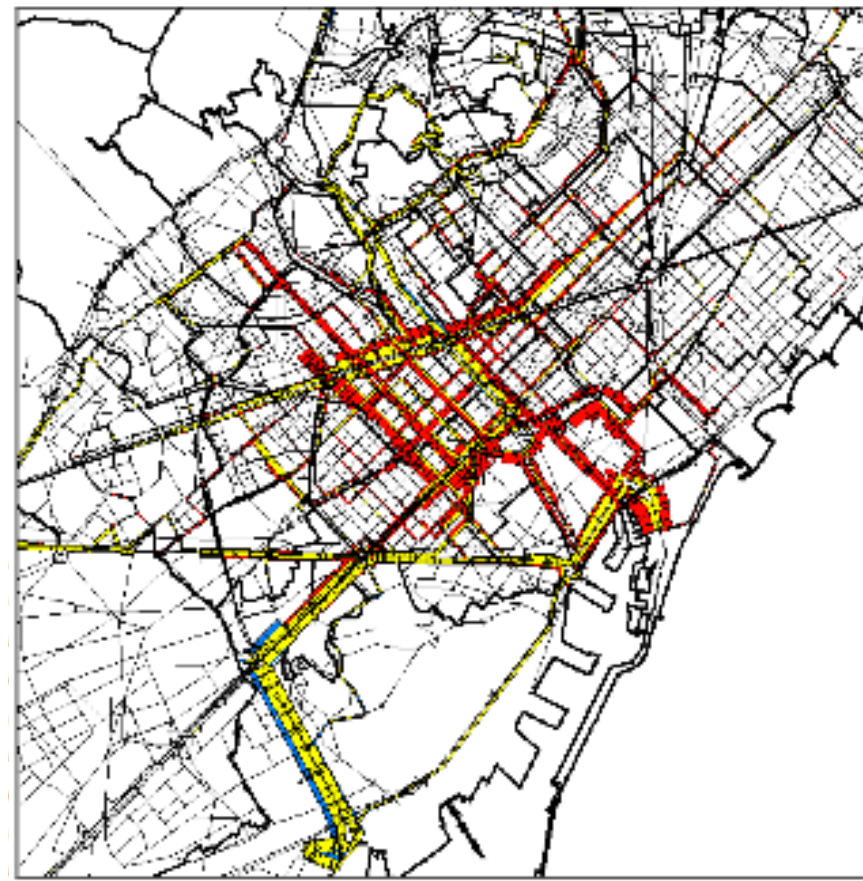
β_{bs} = scale parameter for boarding stop choice

The frequency of the most attractive line is accounted for in full, frequencies of less attractive lines are reduced

Note that the in-vehicle time is based on a weighted average and not on a logsum

This function can also be applied for choice of transfer nodes using walk links

Impact on ridership metro and bus (example RET Bus Barcelona)

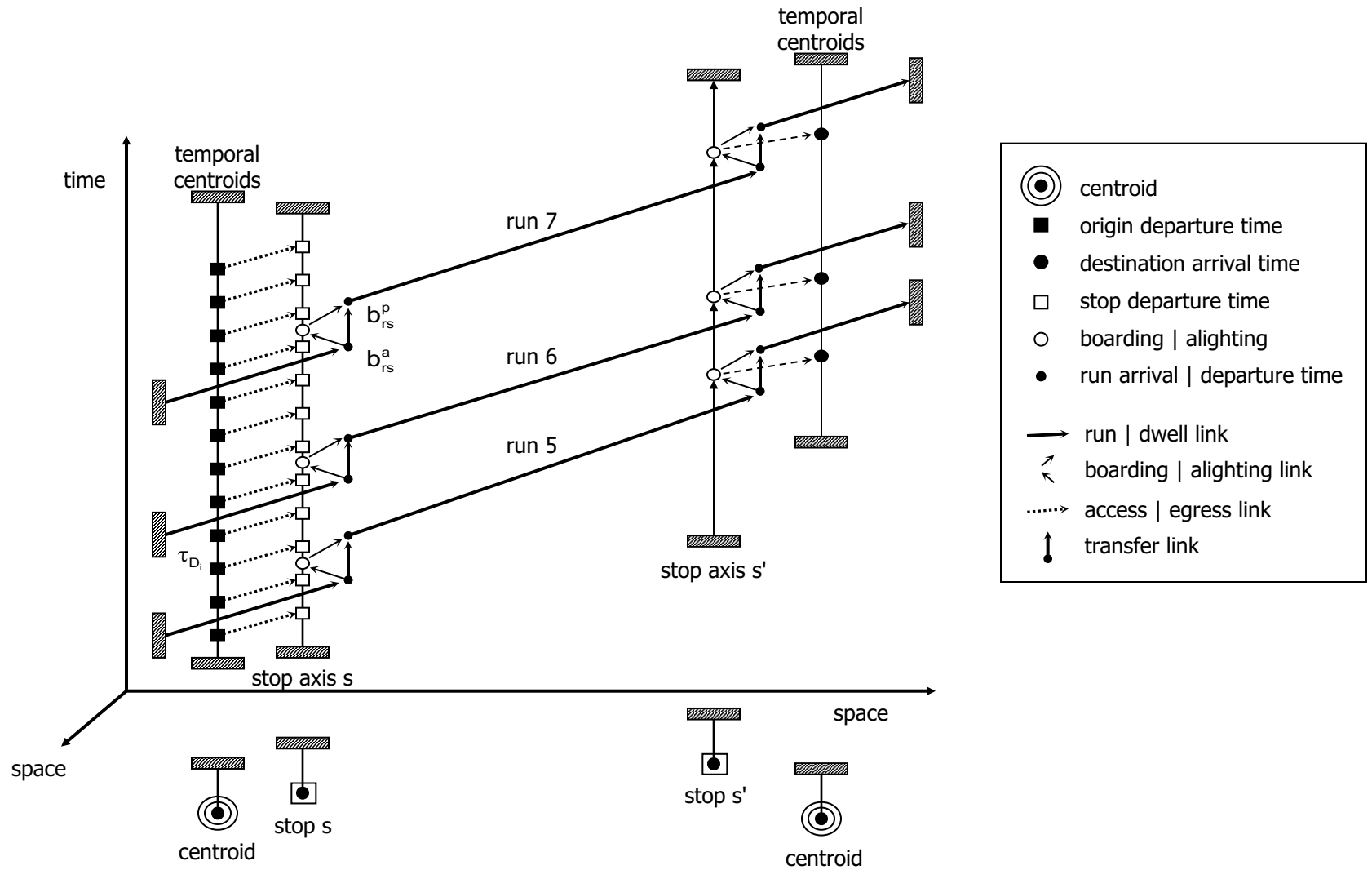


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Capacity and (un)reliability

- Higher subjective in-vehicle time ('BPR')
- Operational frequency
- Perceived frequency
- Full vehicles

Run based (\Rightarrow dynamic assignment)



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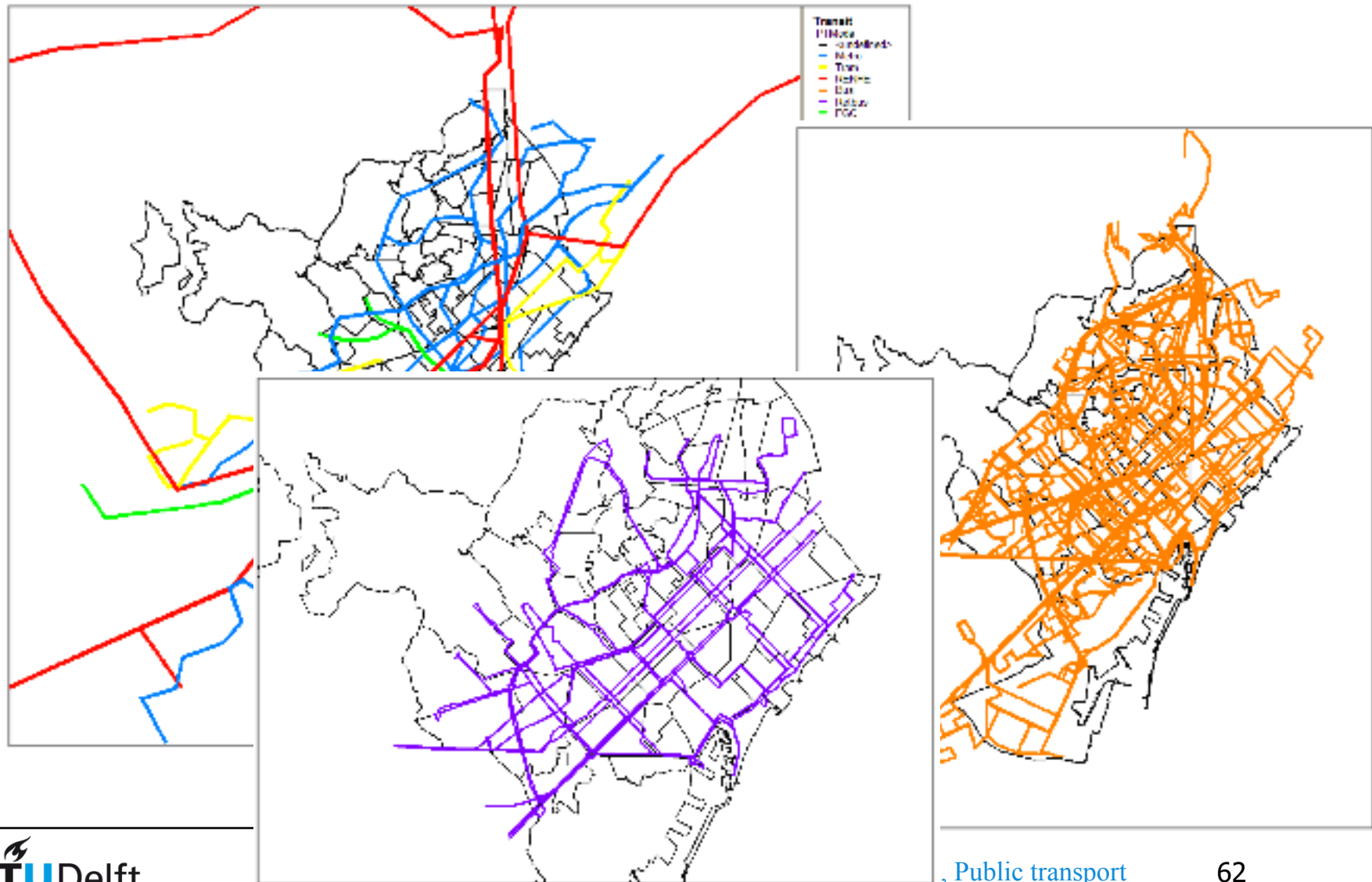
*Case: Modelling PT in Barcelona
with Omnitrans*

Case: RET-Bus network Barcelona



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Existing PT network



How to model the RET-Bus system?

- Input
 - OD matrices car, bus and metro (based on surveys)
 - Networks car and PT
- Mode choice
 - Car and PT or Car, metro and bus?
- Assignment

$$V_{PT} = \sum_n [(2.0 \cdot t_a + 2.5 \cdot t_w + t_v + BP_m) \cdot VoT] + \sum_{n-1} (TP_m \cdot VoT) + 2.0 \cdot t_e \cdot VoT + Fare$$

- Difference metro and bus: boarding penalty and transfer penalty
- Philosophy: metro is preferred over bus, metro stations are more fuzz => what's the net effect?
- RET-bus is either bus, metro or in between

Validation PT assignment

	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	Model 4
Parameter ϕ	3,0	2,0	3,0	2,0
Parameter BP_{bus}	10,0	10,0	7,0	7,0
Parameter BP_{metro}	5,0	5,0	5,0	5,0
Parameter TP_{bus}	5,0	5,0	3,0	3,0
Parameter TP_{metro}	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Difference in bus trip legs 2007 (predicted-observed) (%)	-20,2	-15,0	+16,5	+23,0
Difference in metro trip legs 2007 (predicted-observed) (%)	+50,0	+48,0	+26,9	+25,2

NB: Data is in trips per mode, Omnitrans computes legs per mode!

Impact on mode choice

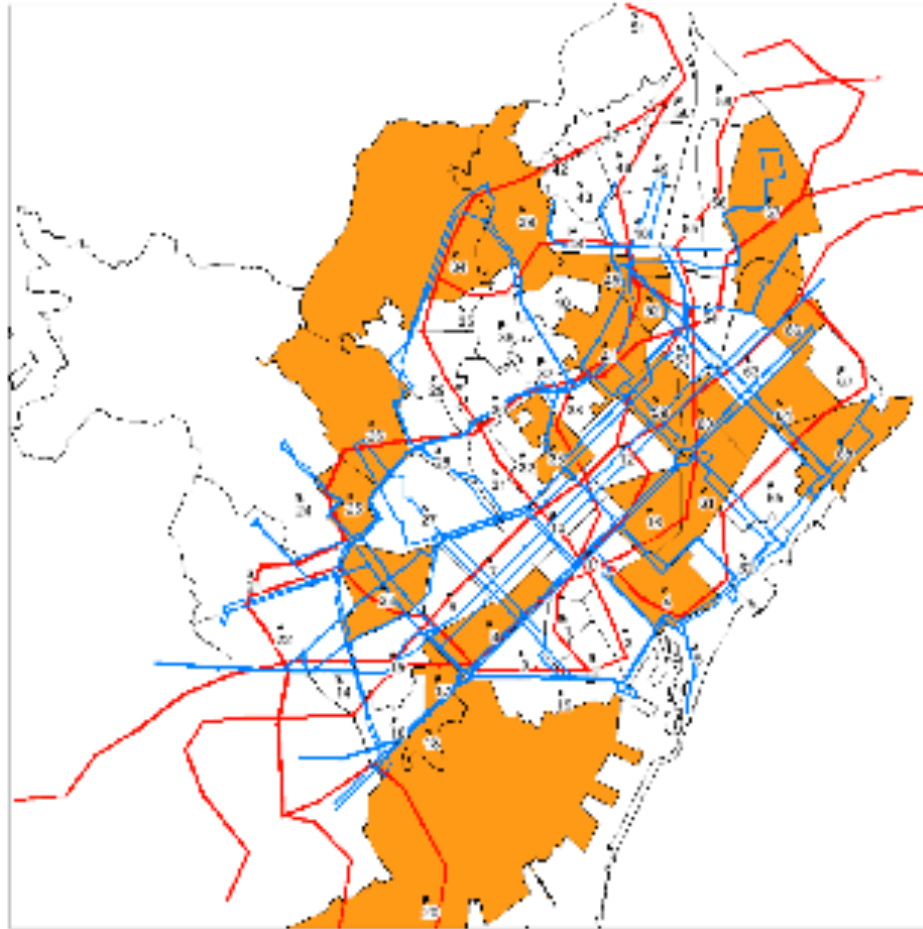


Figure 5-7: Zones that produce more than +1,50% additional transit trips in Alternative 1 (TMB plan) compared with the base case in 2016 (in orange). The metro and BRT networks are shown in red and blue, respectively.

Impact on ridership metro and bus

