

Optimizing routing and scheduling decisions in Homecare

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**POLYTECHNIQUE
MONTREAL**



CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR IN
HEALTHCARE ANALYTICS AND LOGISTICS

HANALOG



HISTORY



Founded in
1925

SERVICES



Nursing
Rehab Services
Personal Support
Extreme Cleaning

EMPLOYEES



2,300+



REACH



**Ontario
Based**
Servicing 8 CCAC/LHIN Regions

CLIENTS



91,671
Served Annually

VALUED





Staff Availability

**Client Needs
and Preferences**

**Travel
Routes**

1,200,000

PS Visits / Year

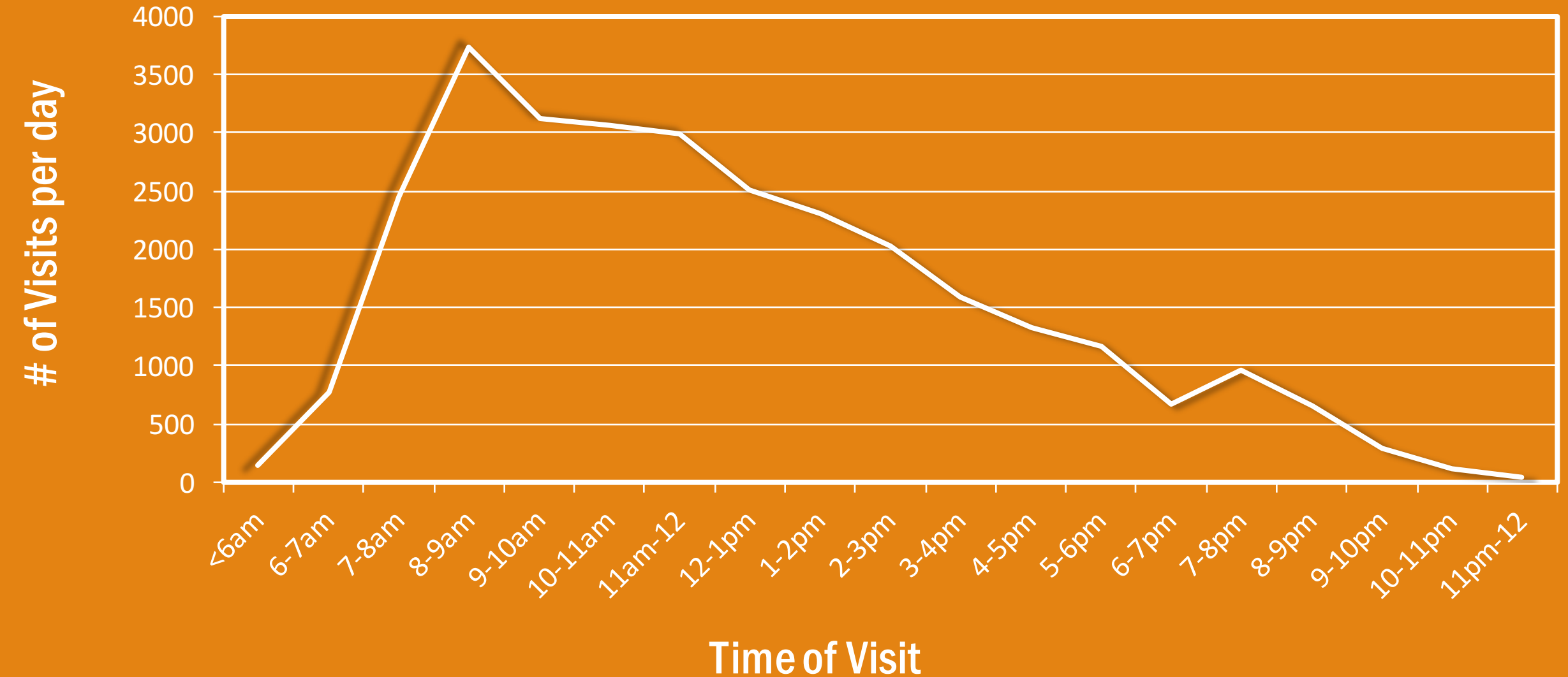
Continuity of Care

Union Rules

**Complex
Recurrence
Patterns**



Visit Demand



**Staff Utilization
Optimized**

Happy Staff



Travel Routes Optimized

Outcomes

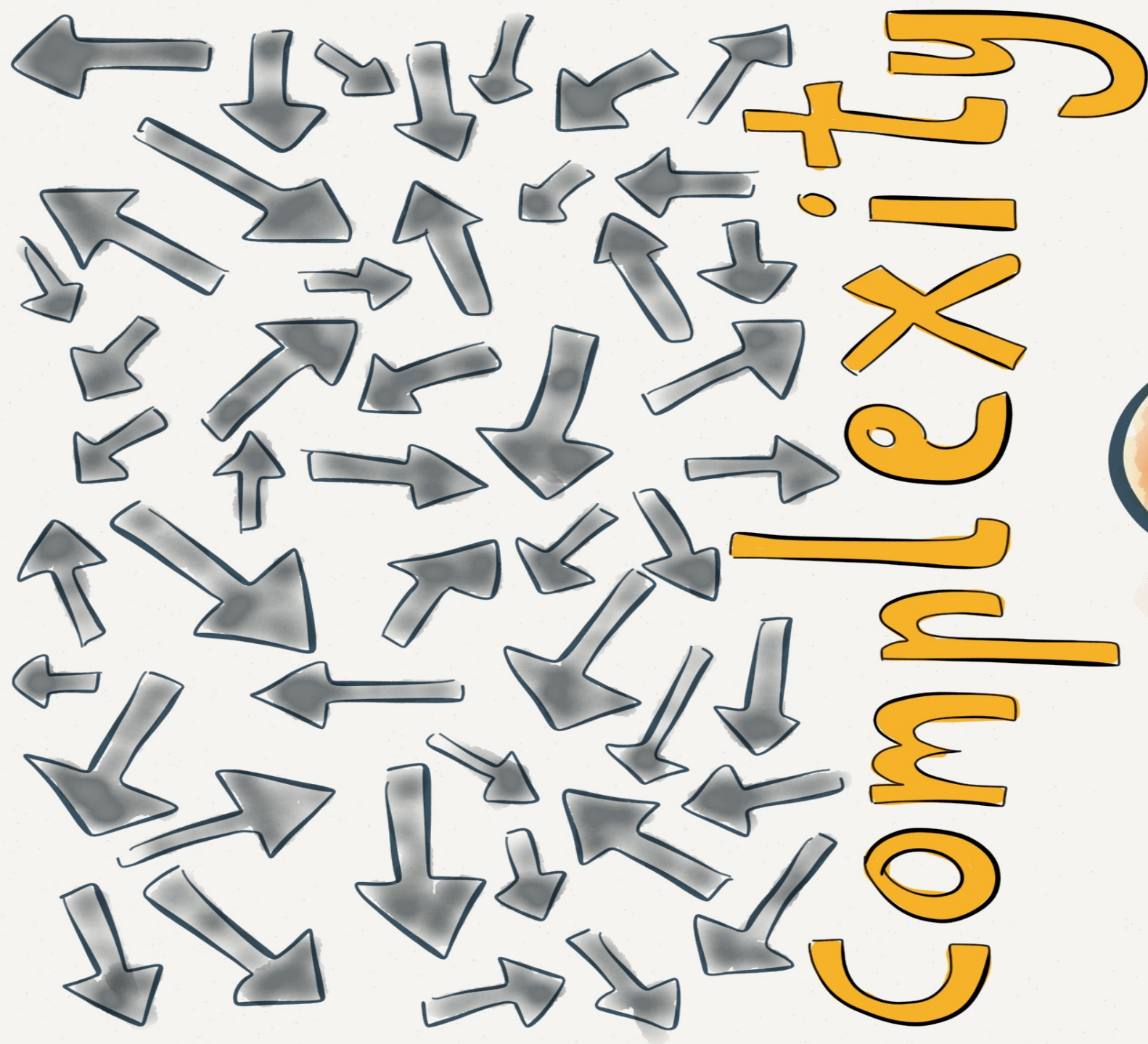


**Client Needs and
Preferences Met**

Happy Clients



**Continuity of Care
Commitments Met**



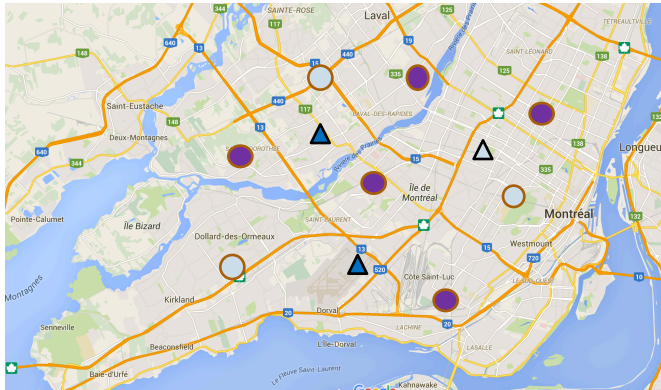


**NIAGARA FALLS
SEPTEMBER 22-23**

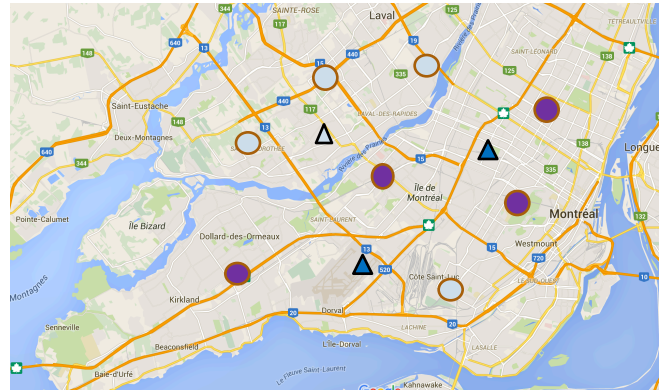
BETTER OUTCOMES 2016

A two-day event inspiring an outcome-focused home healthcare industry.

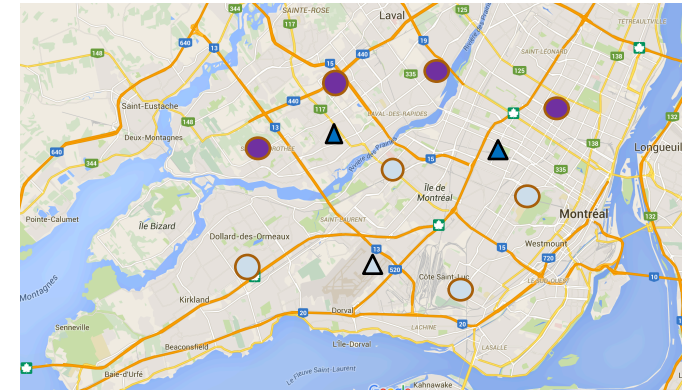
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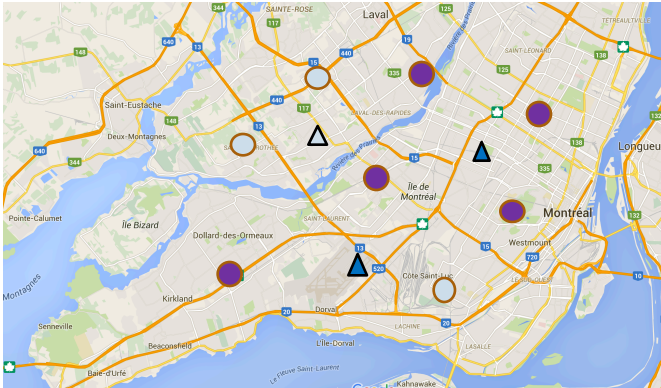
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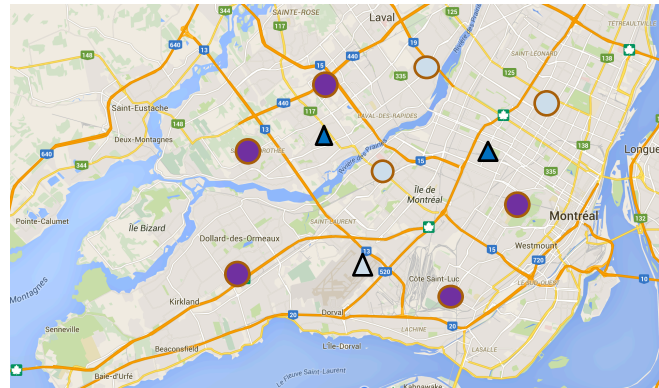
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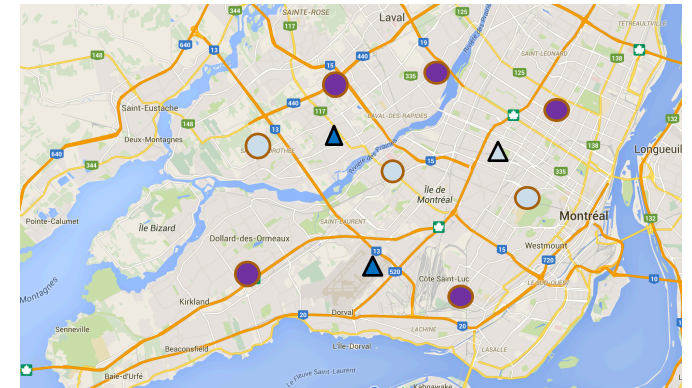
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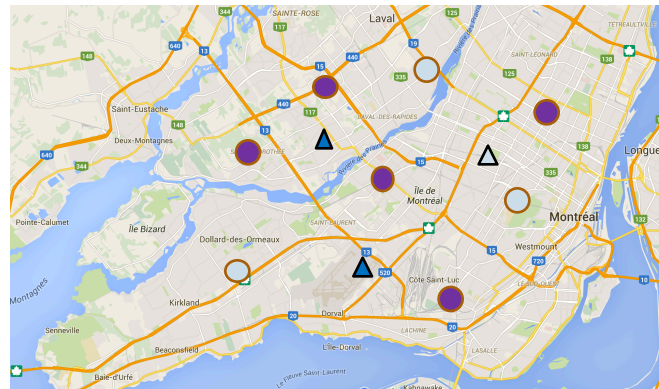
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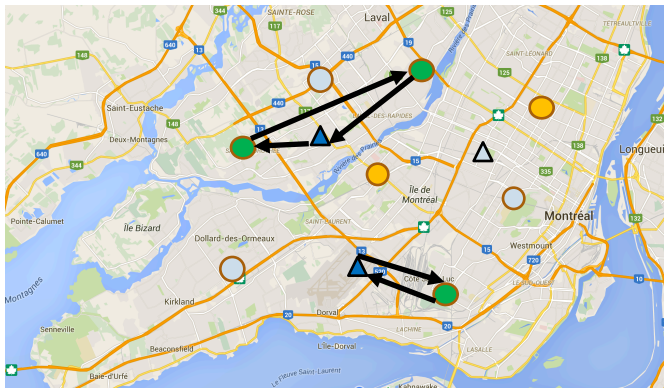
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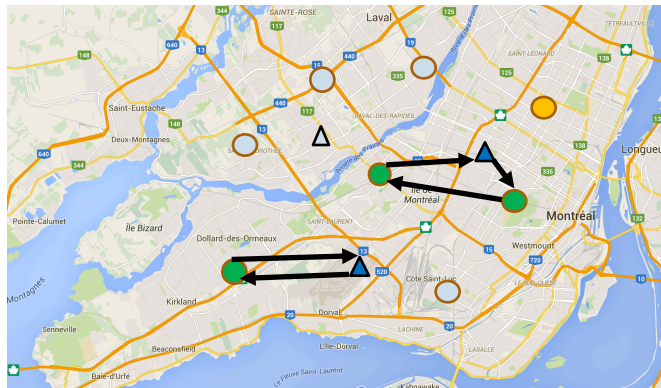
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- Available day for the service
- ▲ Work day of the nurse

Each service needs 3 visits

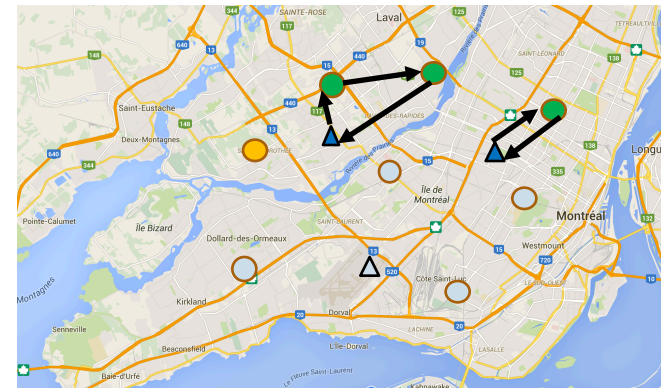
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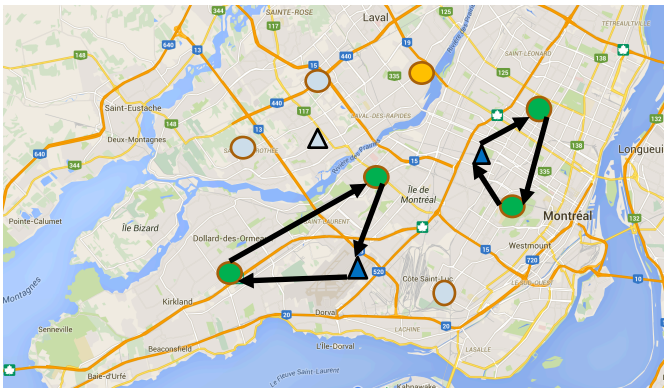
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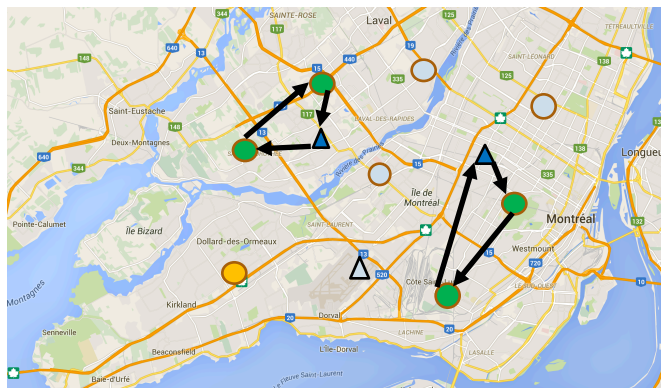
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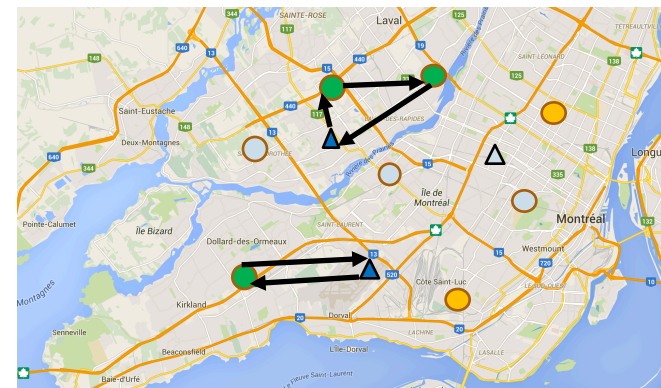
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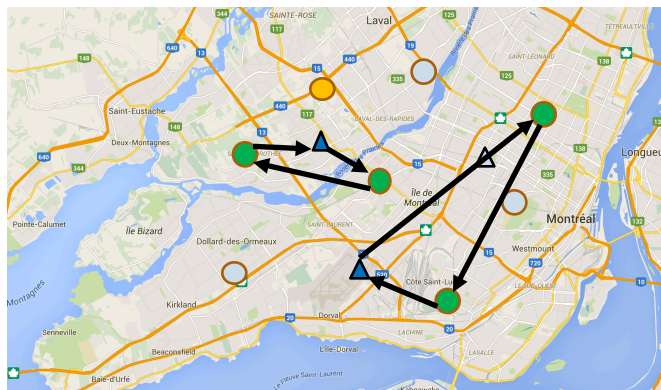
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- Unused available day
- Used available day

The home health care problem

- Could be see as a mix between a **multi-attribute VRP** and an **assignment problem**
- For each service visit, we need to decide :
 - Which day in the week ?
 - Who is the care giver ?
 - At what time ?

AlayaCare

Search patients, employees

Employee: Cory Gibbens

Overview Demographics Clients Skills & Qualifications Reports Schedule Time Sheets & Premiums Employment Tasks

Schedule for Cory Gibbens Weekly Capacity 0 26.5 40

15 min today day week 2 weeks month May 2 – 8, 2016 PRINT EDIT MODE

	Mon 5/2	Tue 5/3	Wed 5/4	Thu 5/5	Fri 5/6	Sat 5/7	Sun 5/8
all-day							
6:30							
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Hard constraints of the problem

Mandatory Expertises

Care giver's list

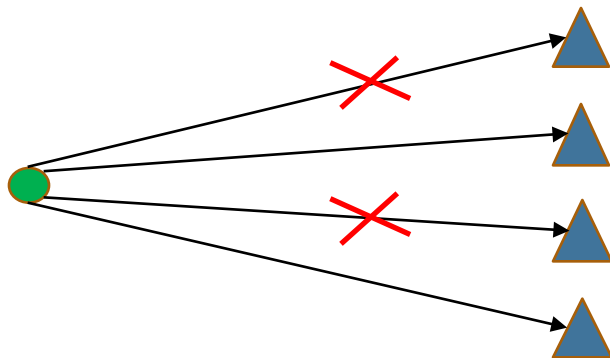
- Nursing
- English
- French



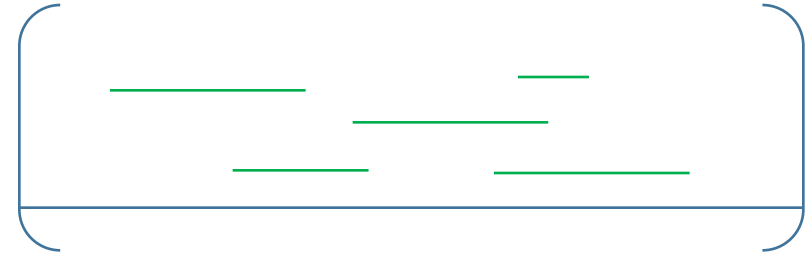
Service's mandatory list

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Forbidden Nurses

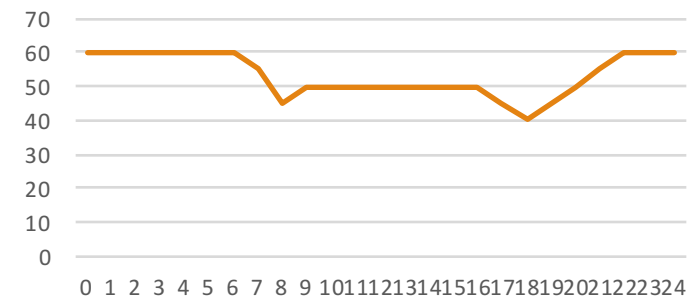


Hard Time Windows



Time-dependent travel time

Speed = $f(\text{time})$



Allocation

Scheduling

Soft constraints of the problem

Optional Expertises

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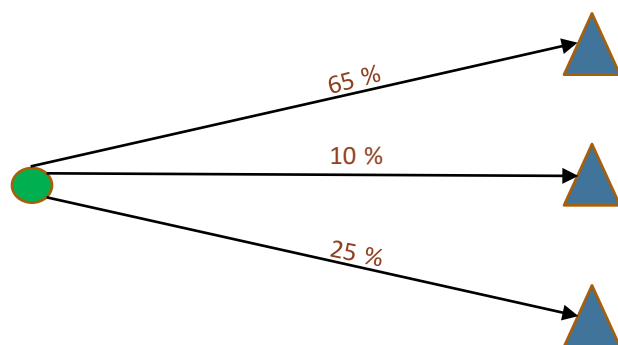
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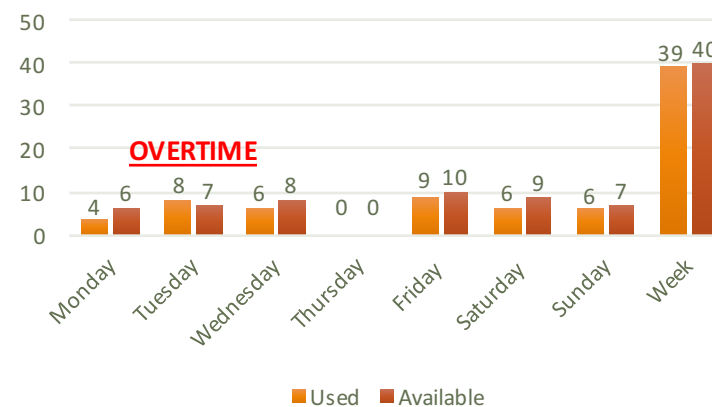
- French



Continuity of care



Work time contracts



Allocation

Scheduling

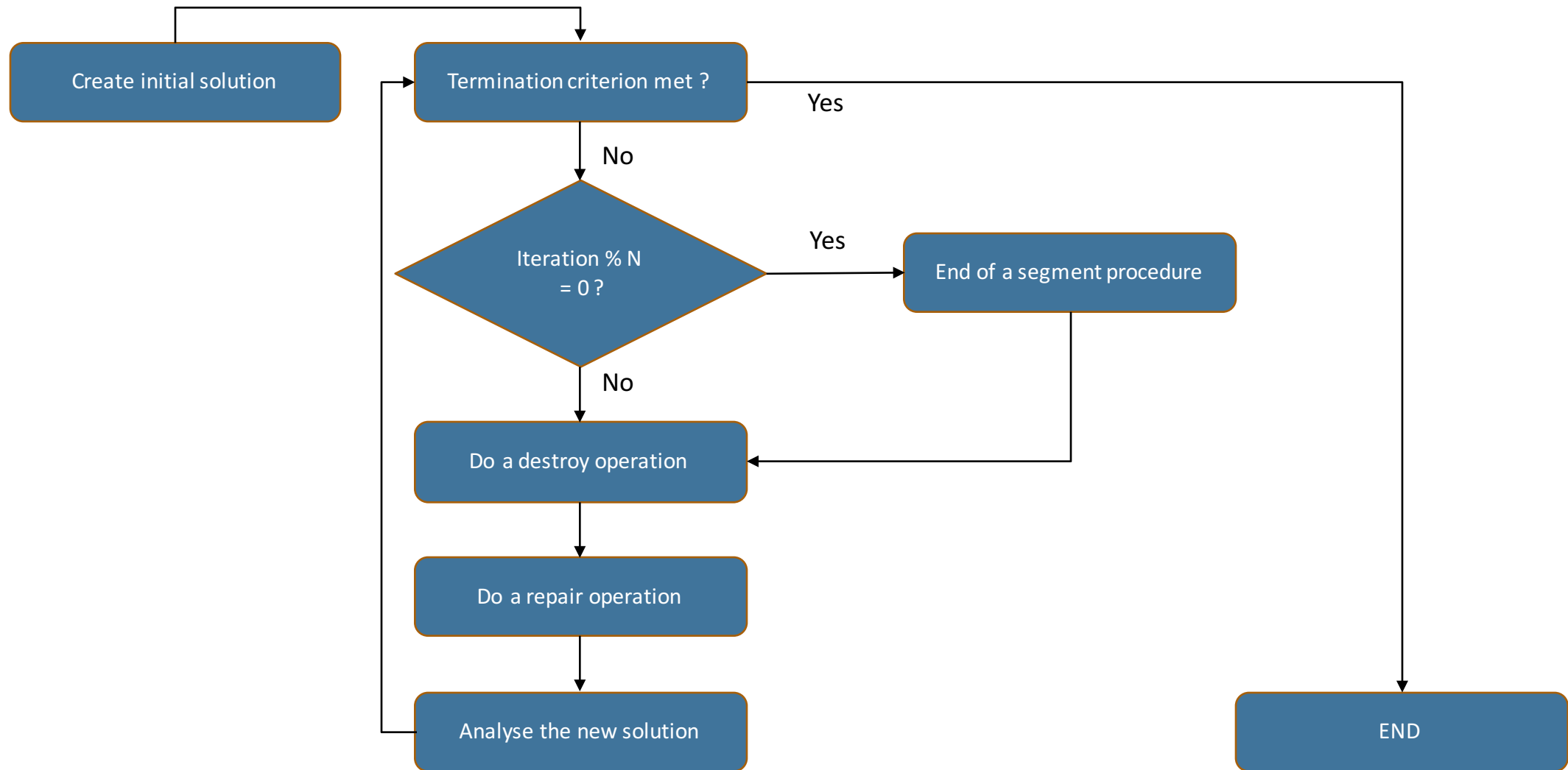
Our method of resolution



The Adaptive Large Neighborhood Search

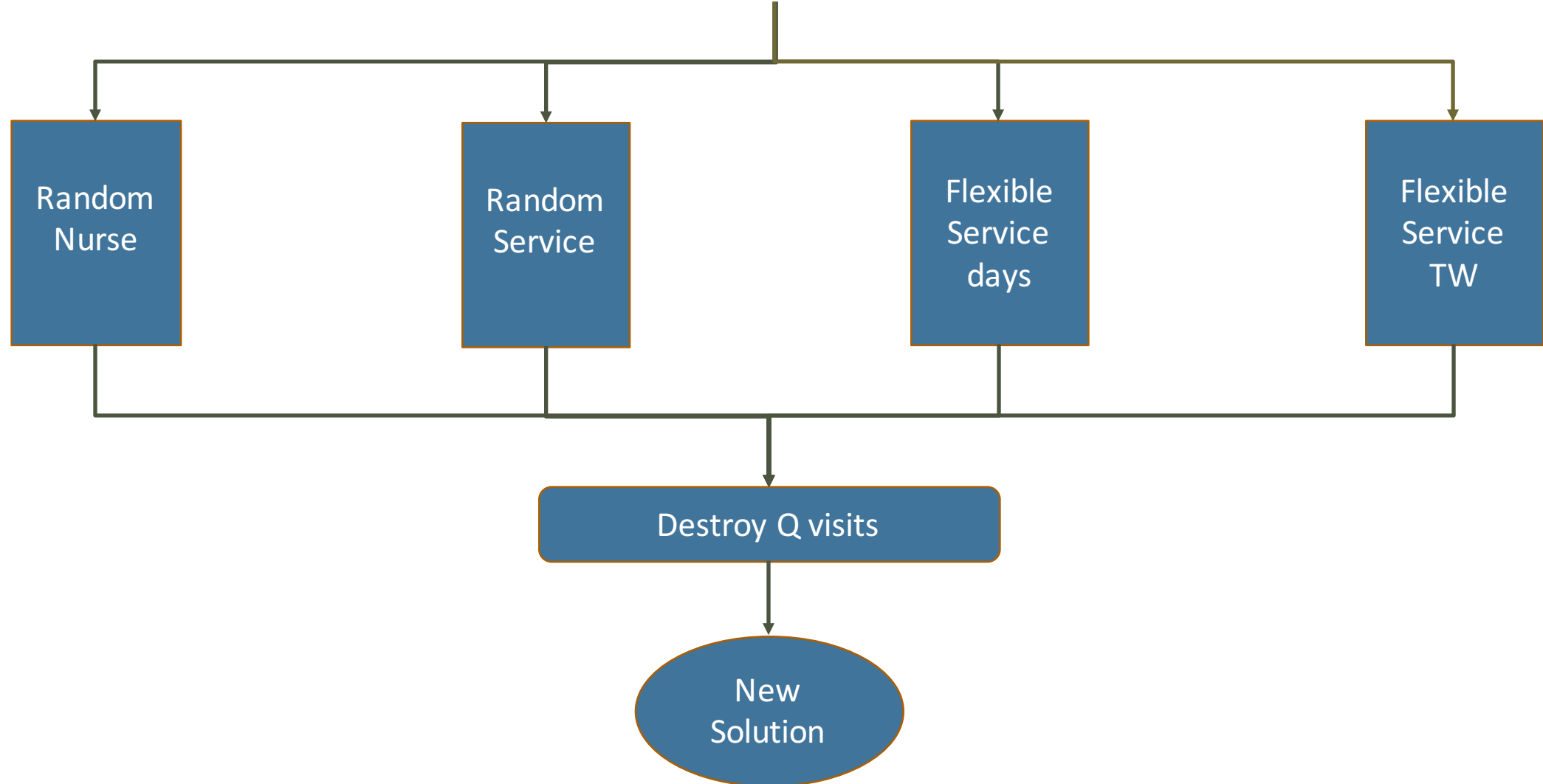
- The ALNS has been introduced by Ropke & Pisinger in 2006 for the PDPTW
- Permits to take into account a great number of visits
- Very flexible, permits to easily add new constraints and new operators

ALNS Routine

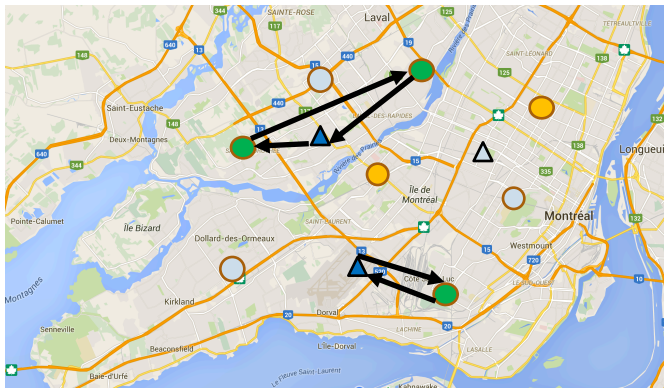


Destroy Operators

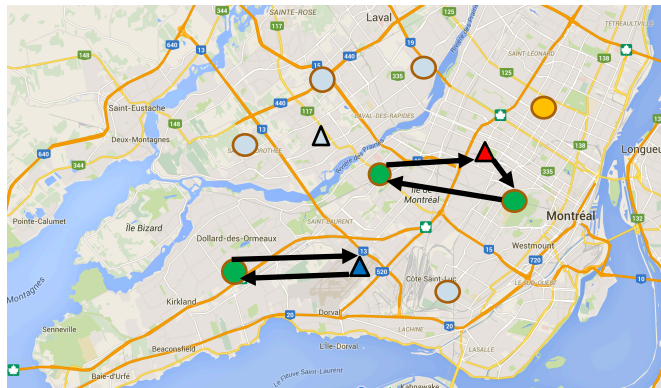
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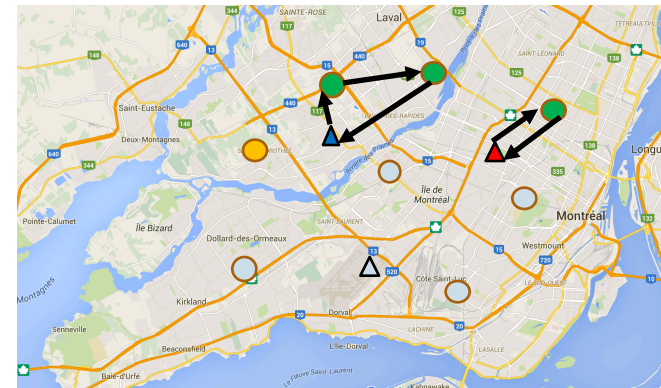
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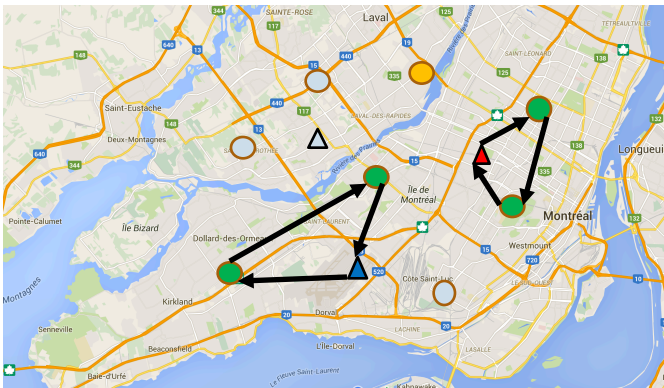
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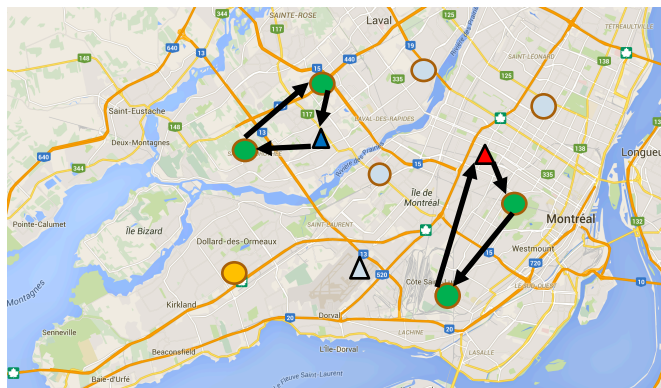
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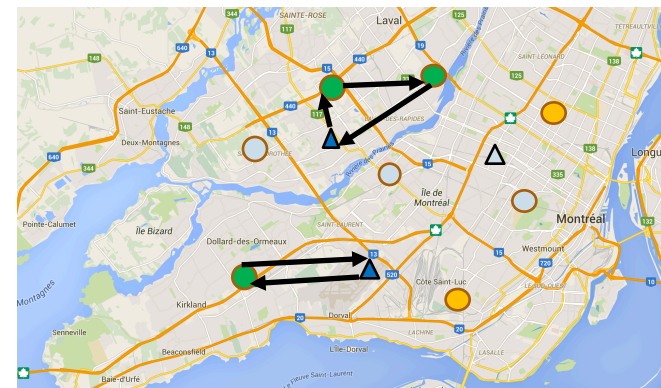
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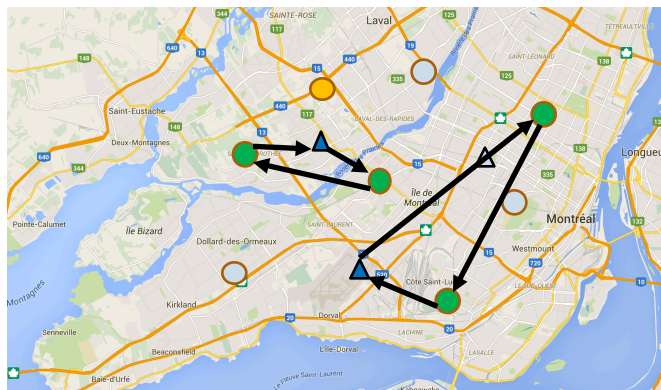
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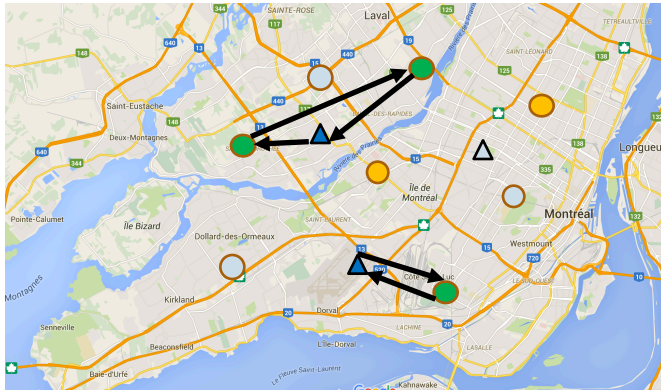


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- Unused available day
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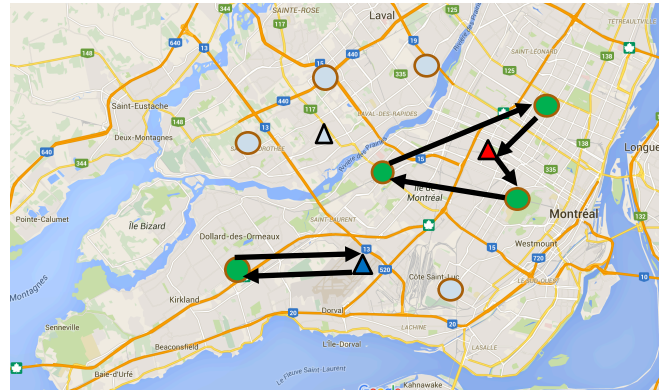
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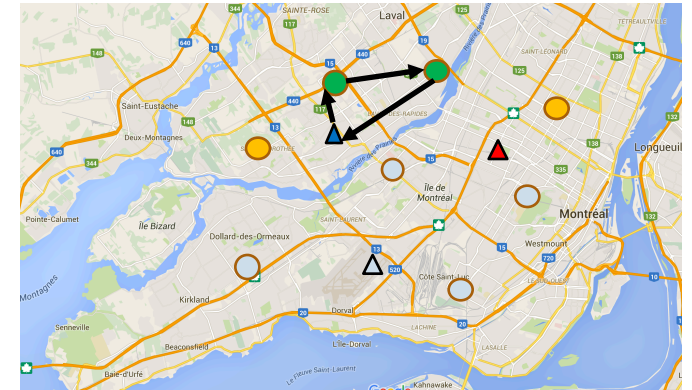
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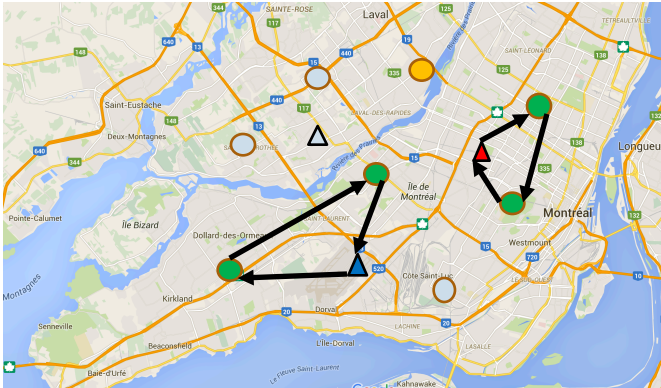
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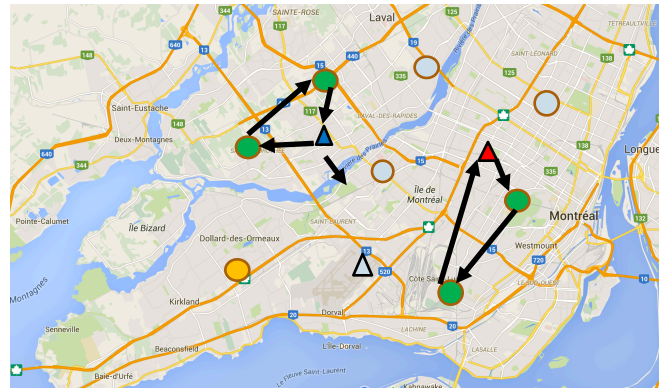
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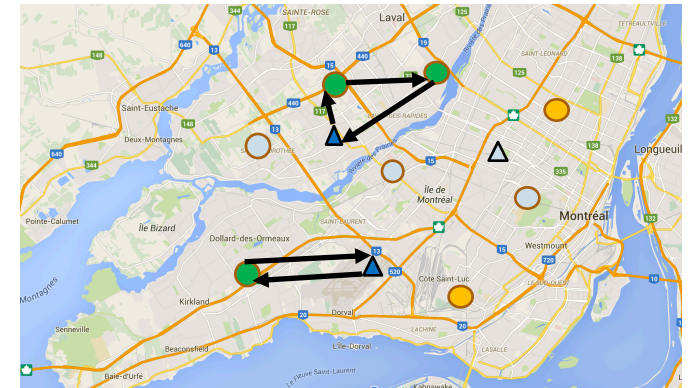
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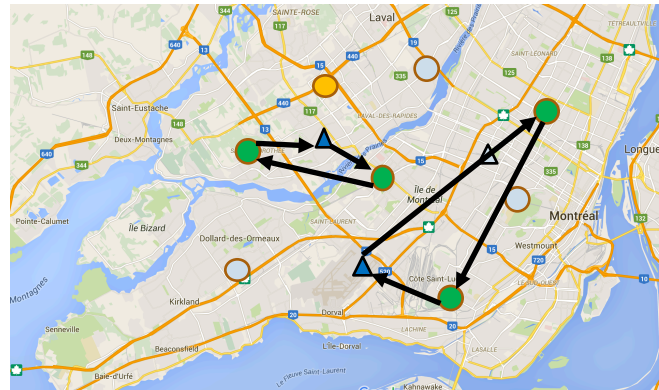
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Random Nurse example

New solution

Repair Operators

Wheel Selection

Sort the visits by :

Number of
possible
routes

Percent of
scheduled
visits

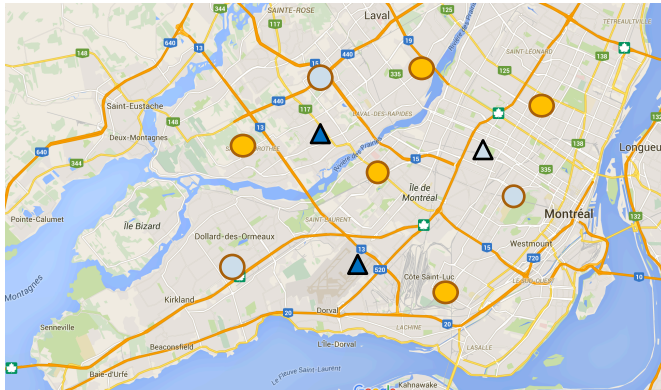
Percent of
congestion
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Greedy Allocation Algorithm (With noise)

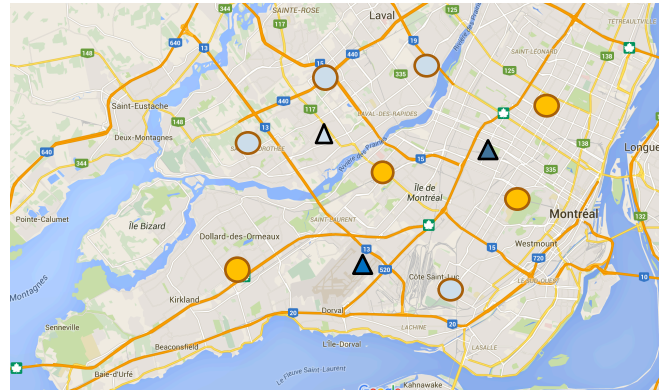
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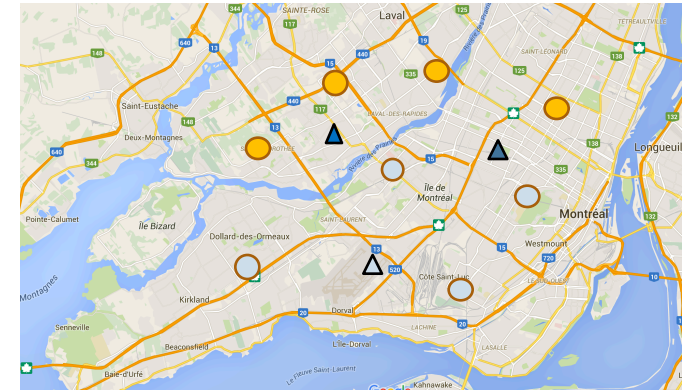
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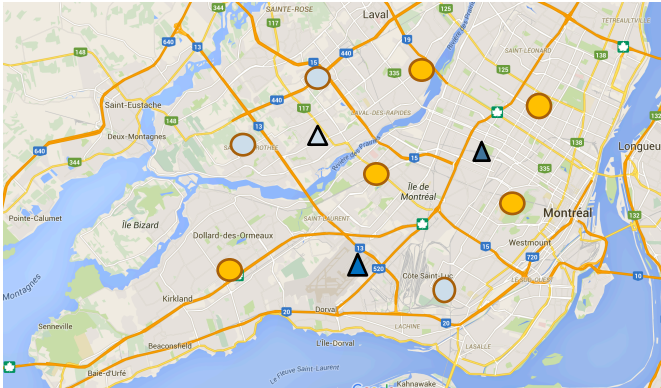
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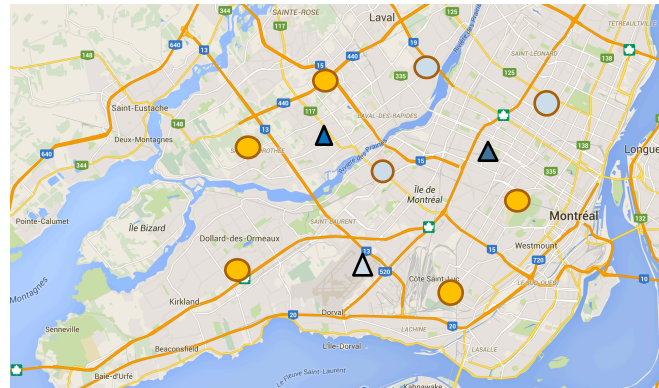
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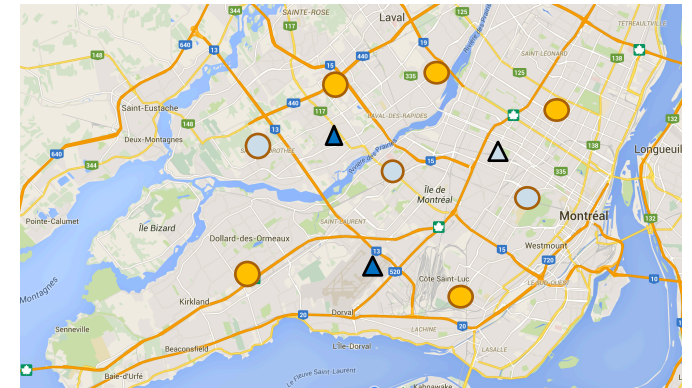
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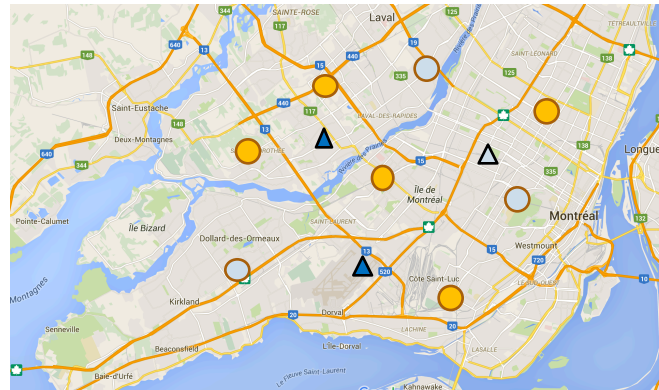
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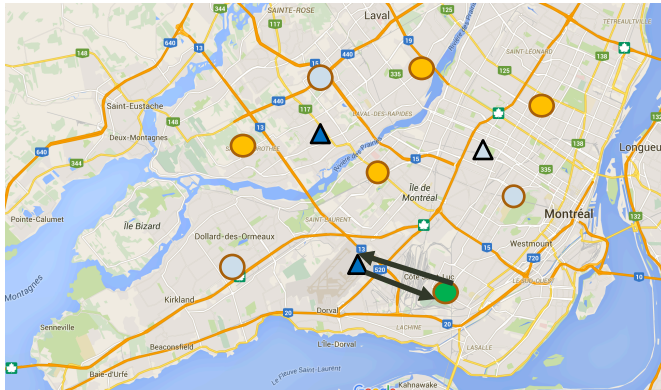


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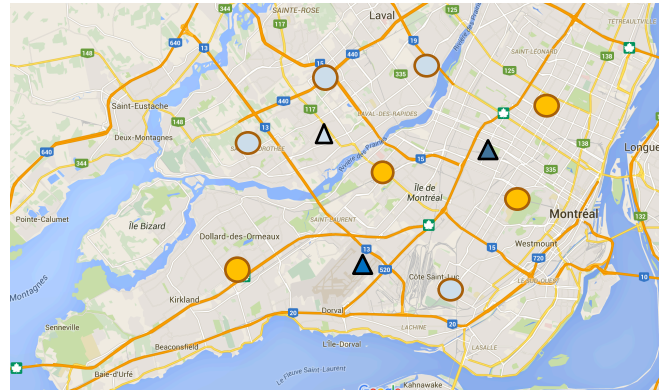
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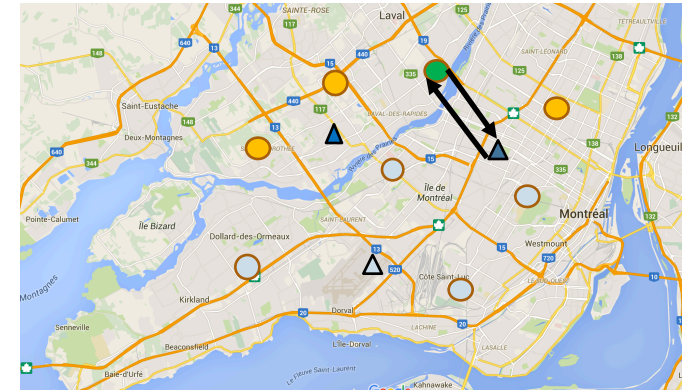
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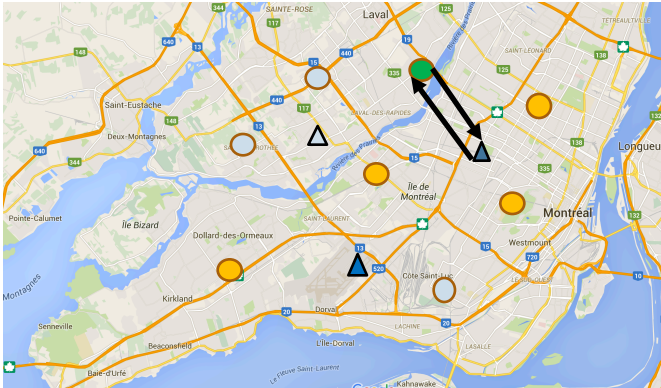
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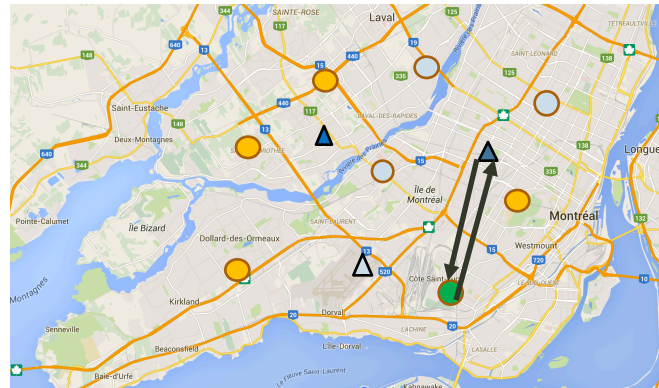
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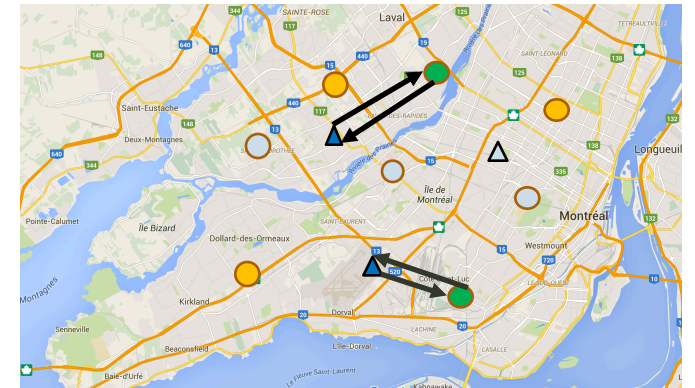
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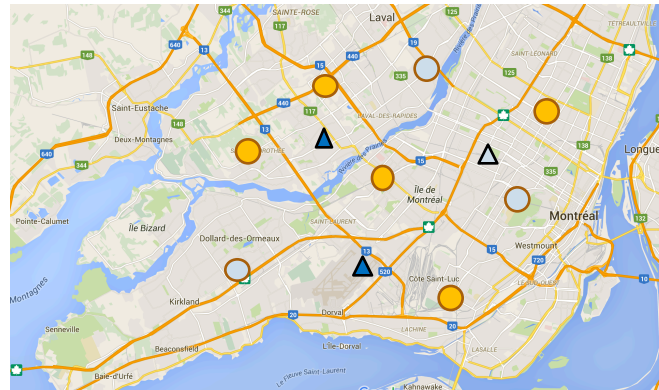
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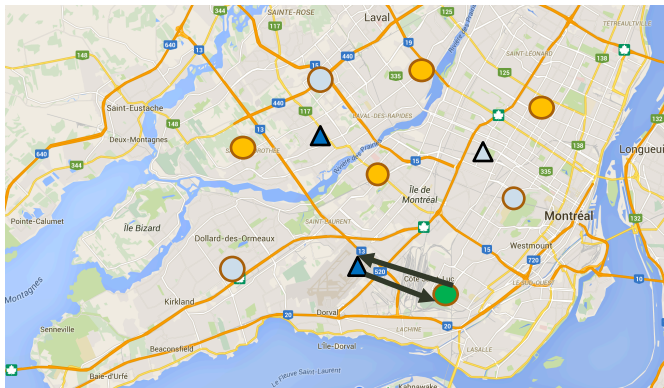
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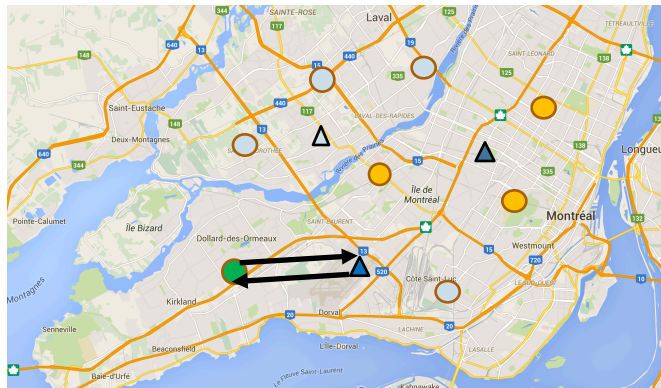
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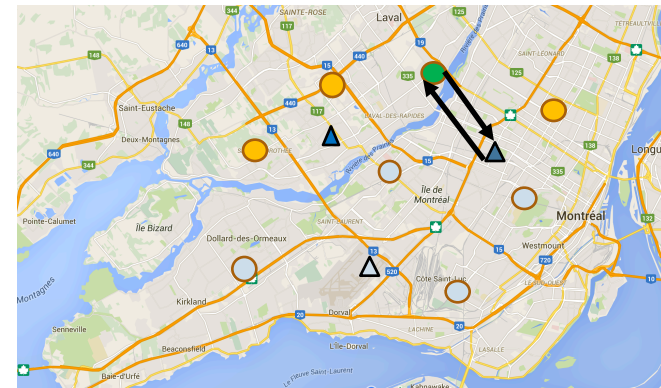
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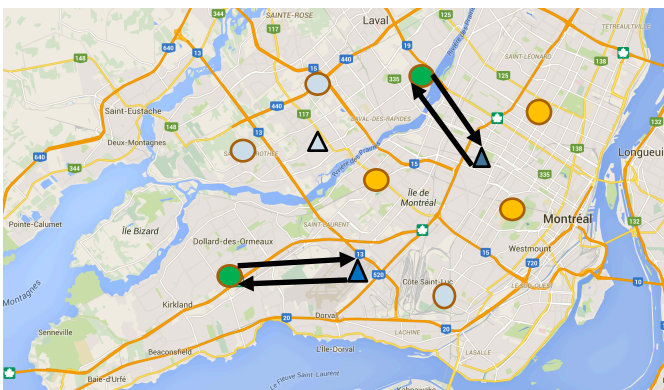
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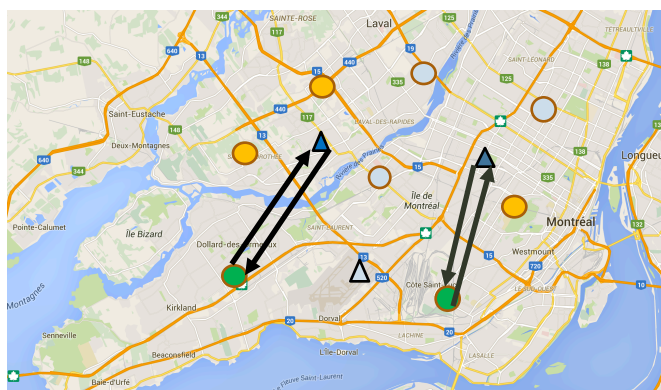
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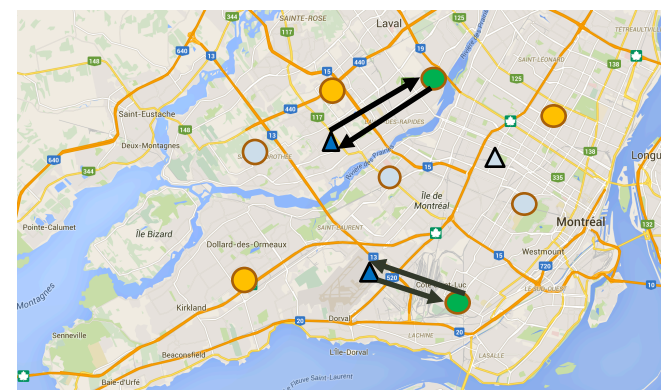
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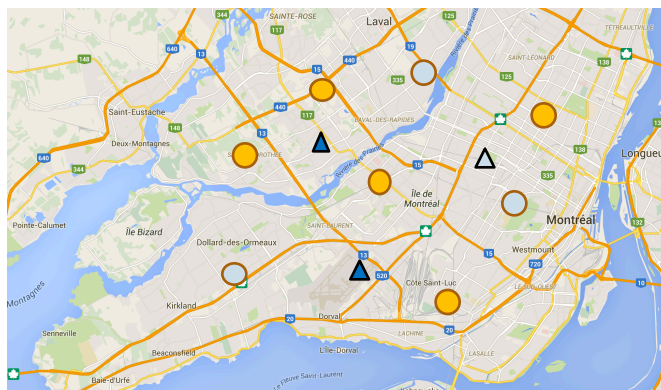
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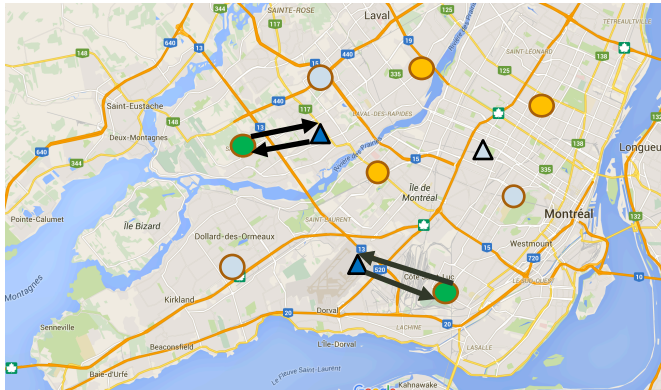
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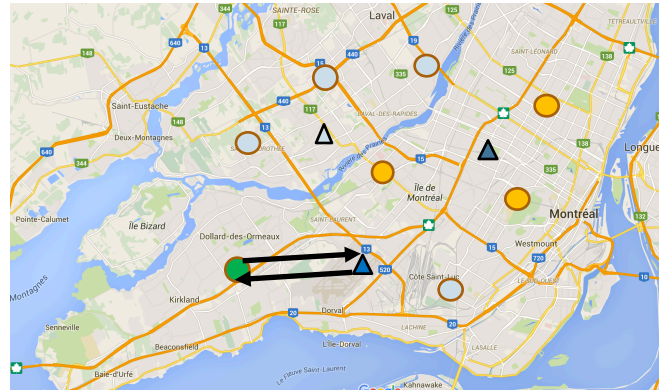
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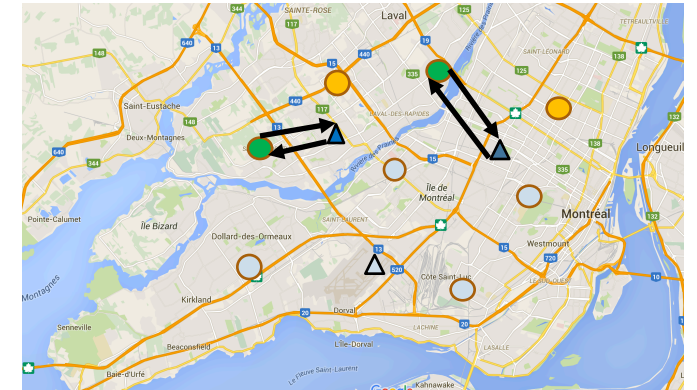
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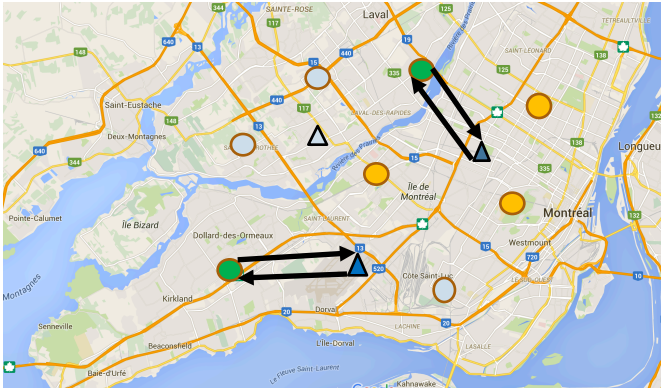
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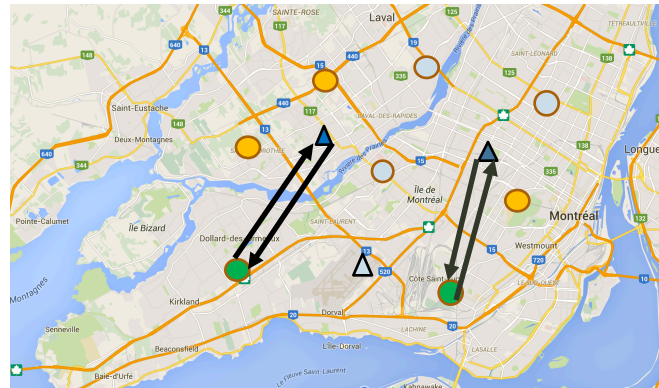
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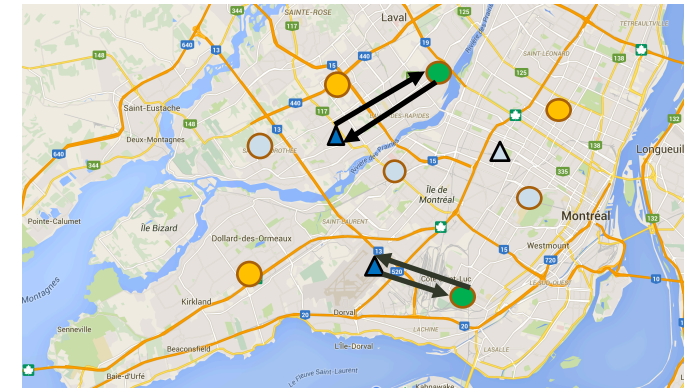
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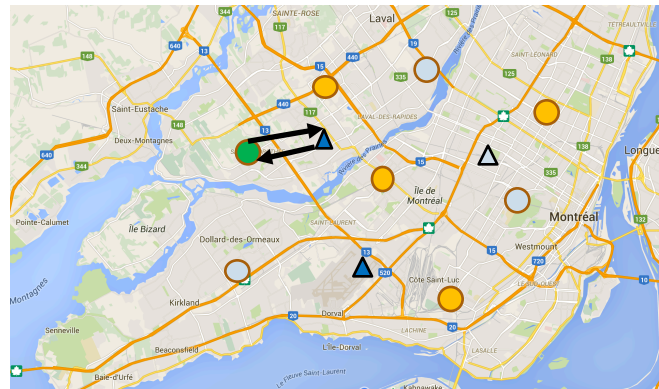
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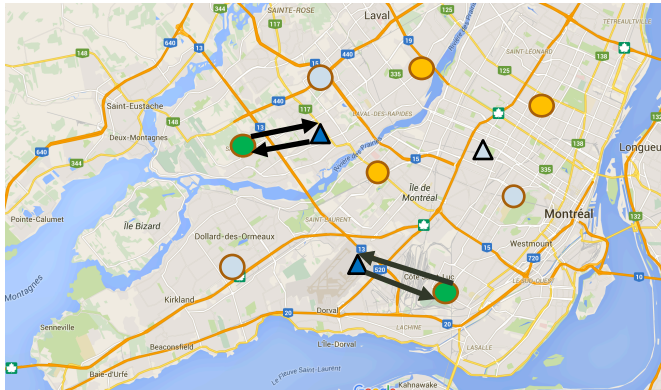
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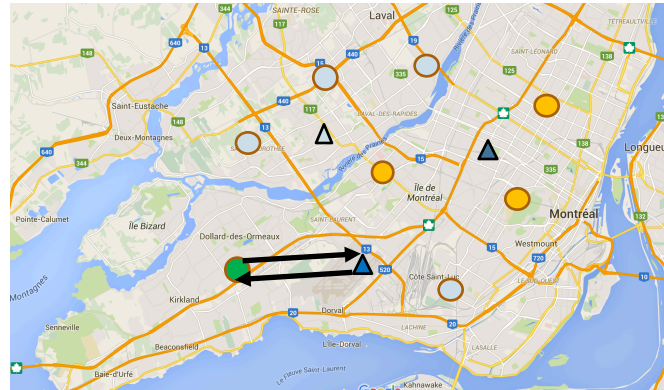
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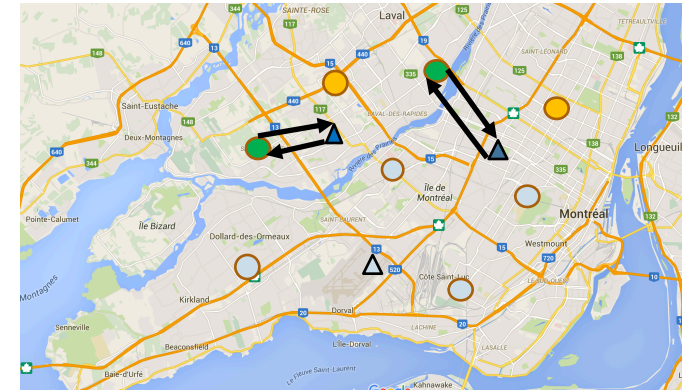
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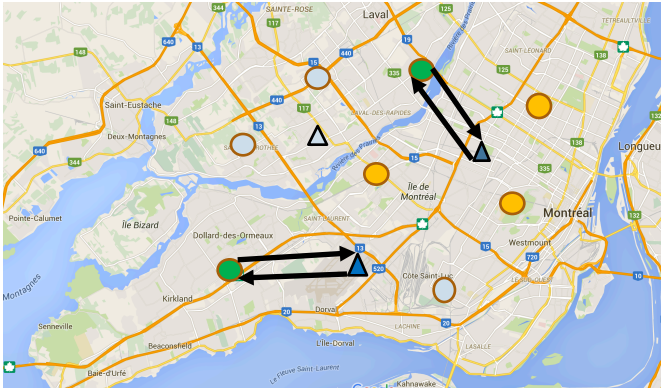
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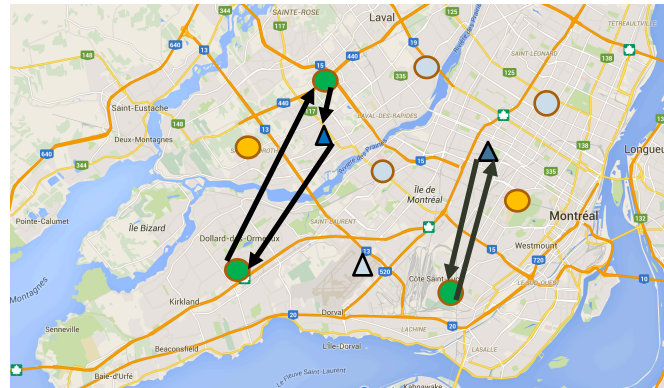
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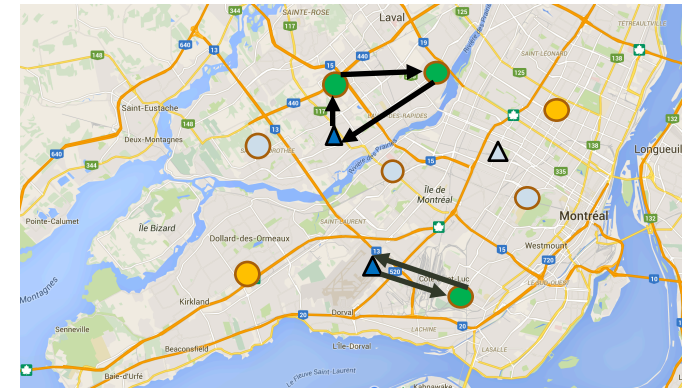
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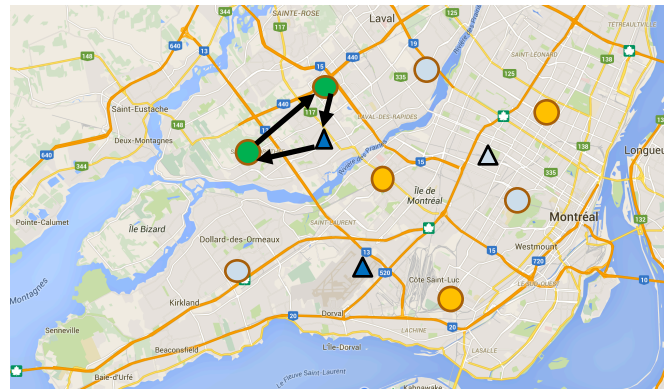
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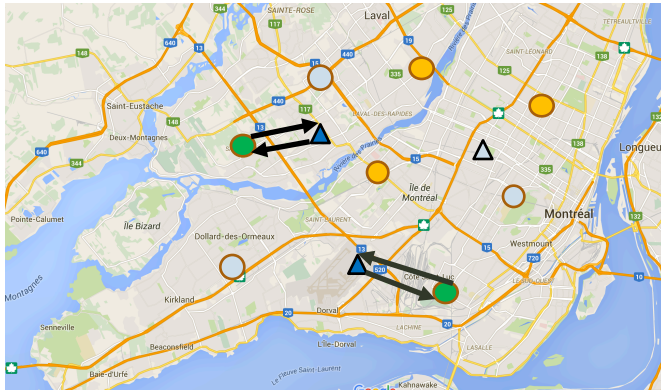
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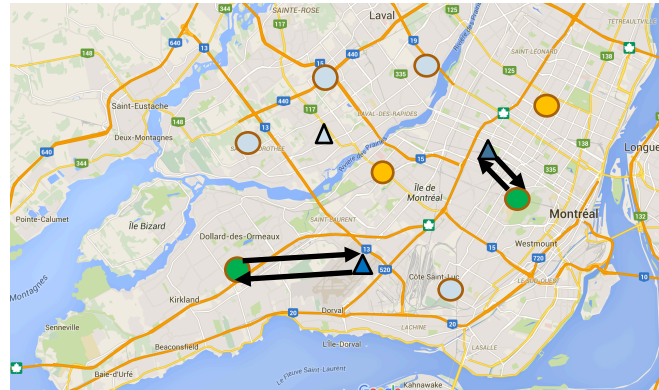
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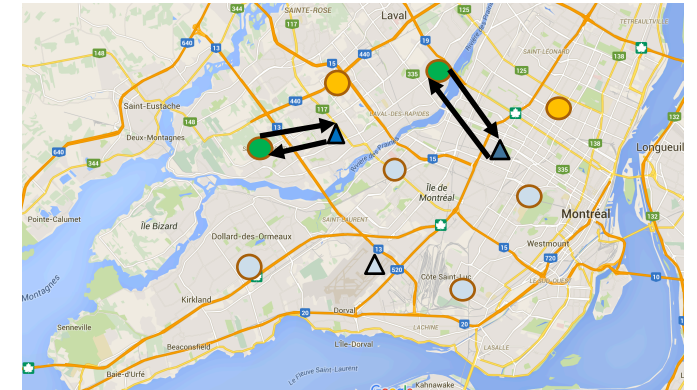
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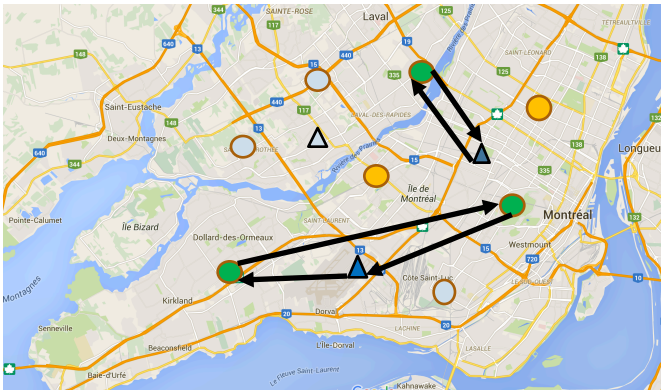
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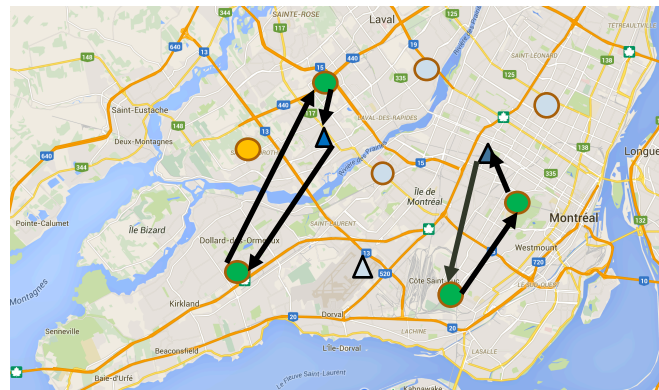
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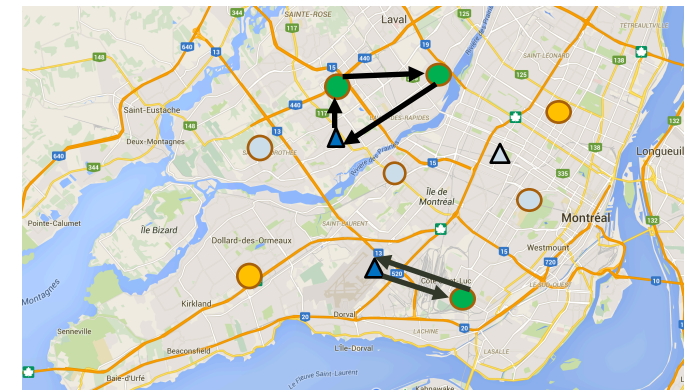
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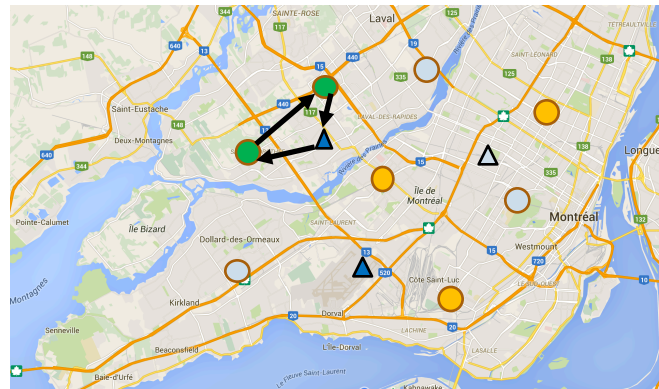
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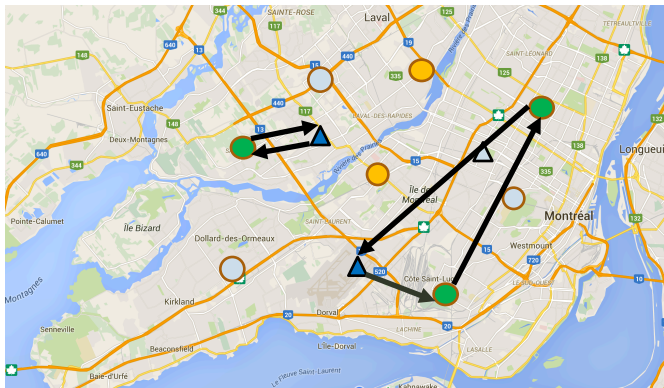
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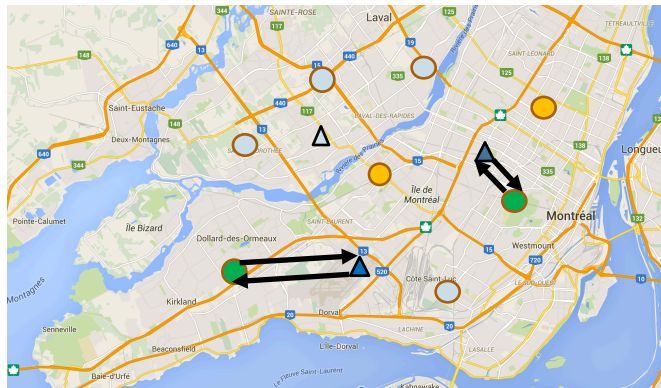
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Complete Week Scheduler

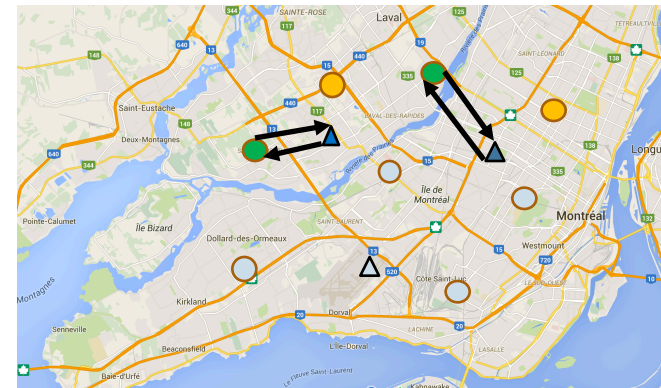
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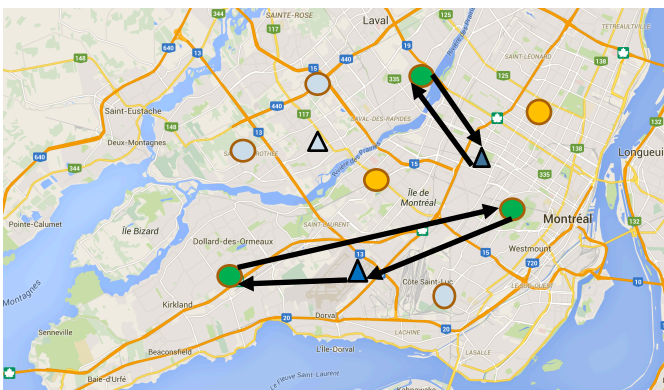
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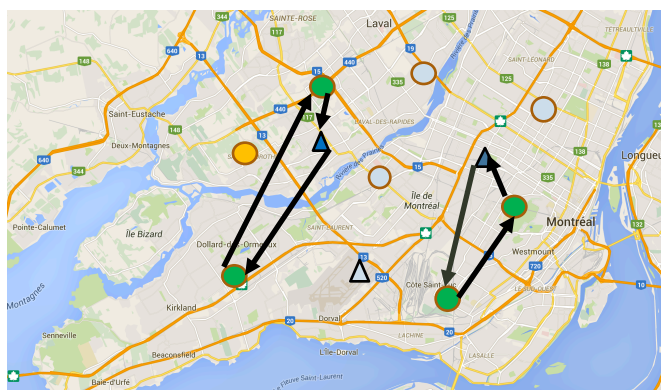
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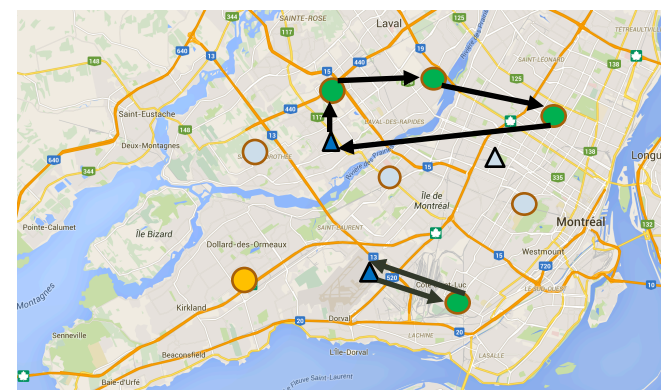
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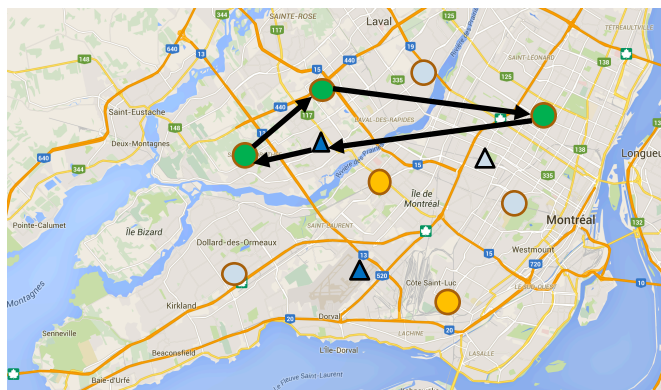
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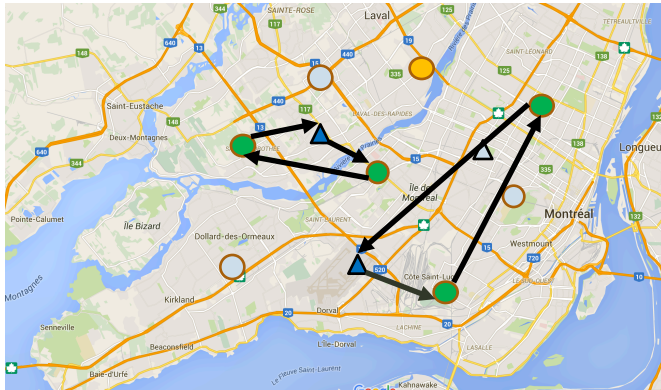
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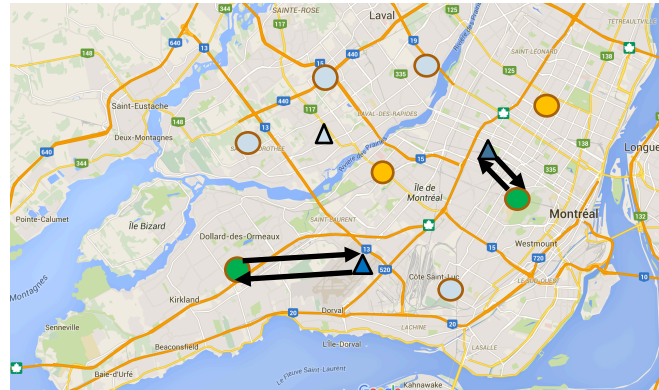
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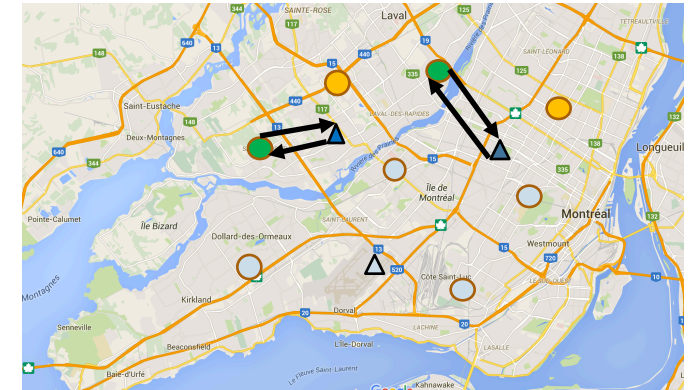
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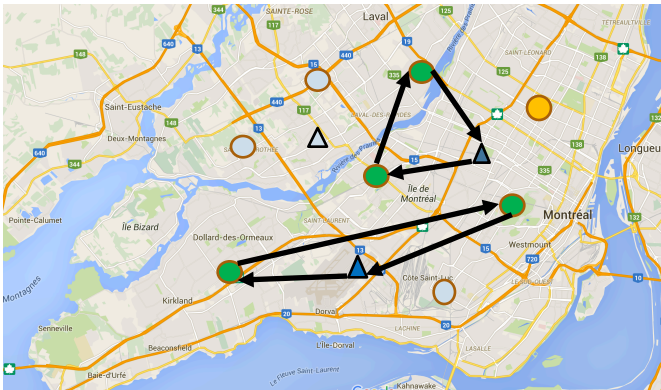
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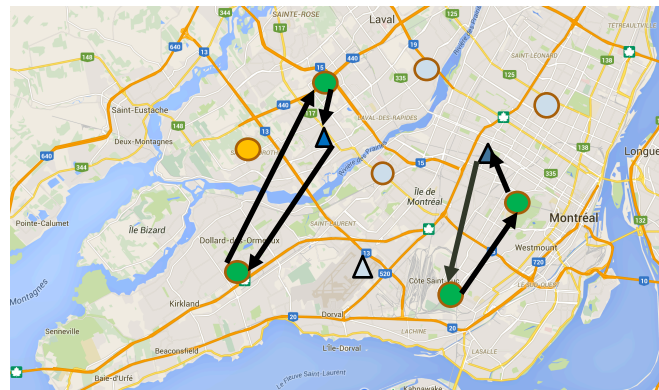
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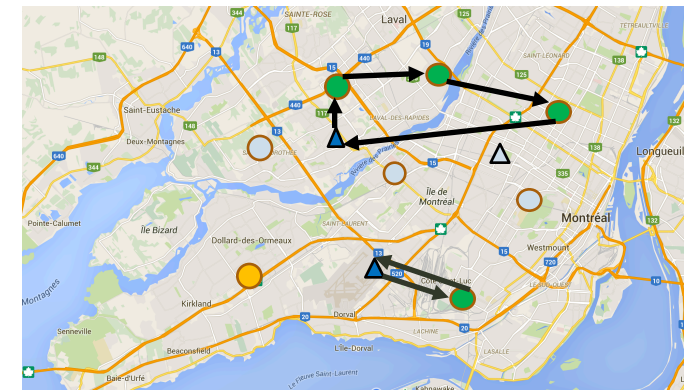
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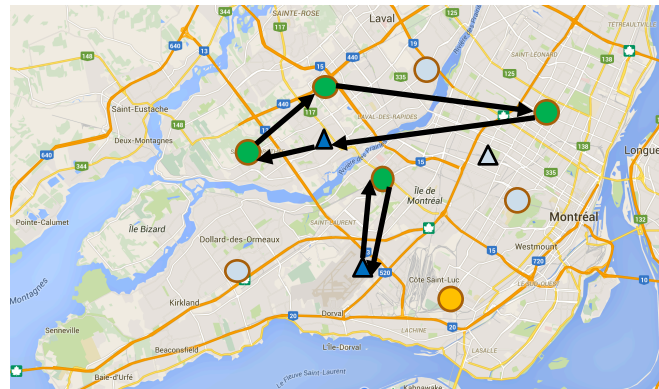
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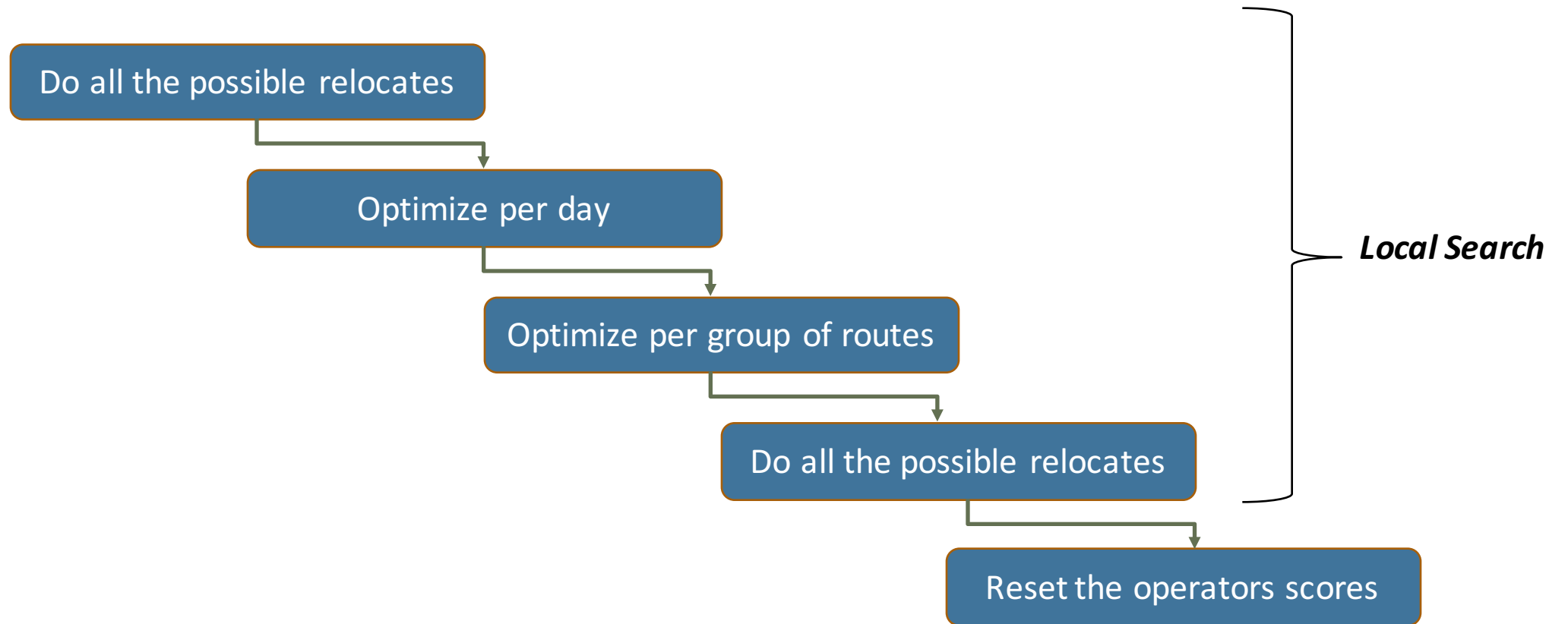


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Complete Week Scheduler

New Solution

End of a segment procedure



Tests and results



Real instances

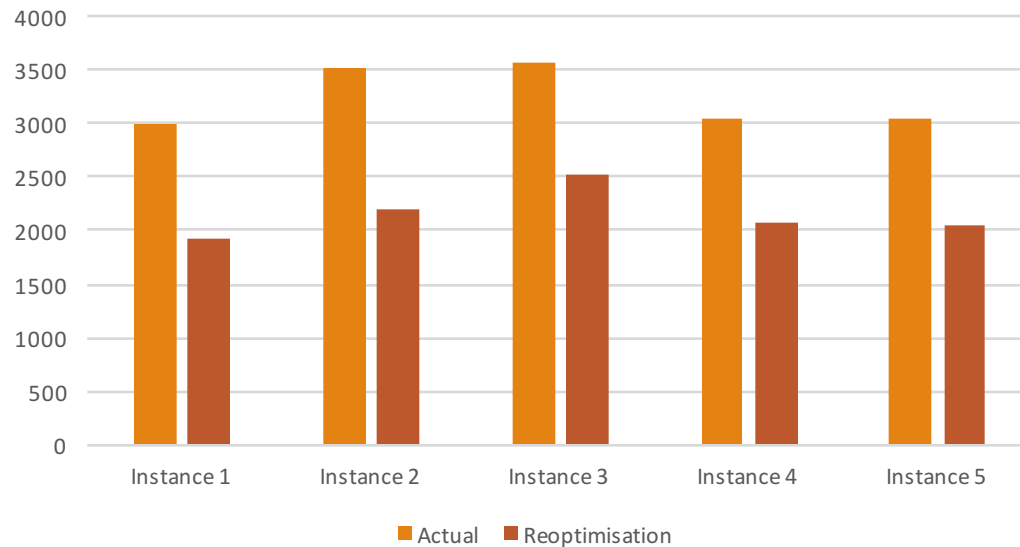
1 instance = 1 real week

Instance	Nb Services	Nb Nurses	Nb Visits	Nb Routes	Available days	Mean Duration
1	119	9	272	36	272	39,36
2	149	11	325	40	325	39,48
3	137	11	340	40	340	38,52
4	145	11	311	35	311	38,03
5	146	11	324	40	324	37,65

300 sec, 30000 iter.

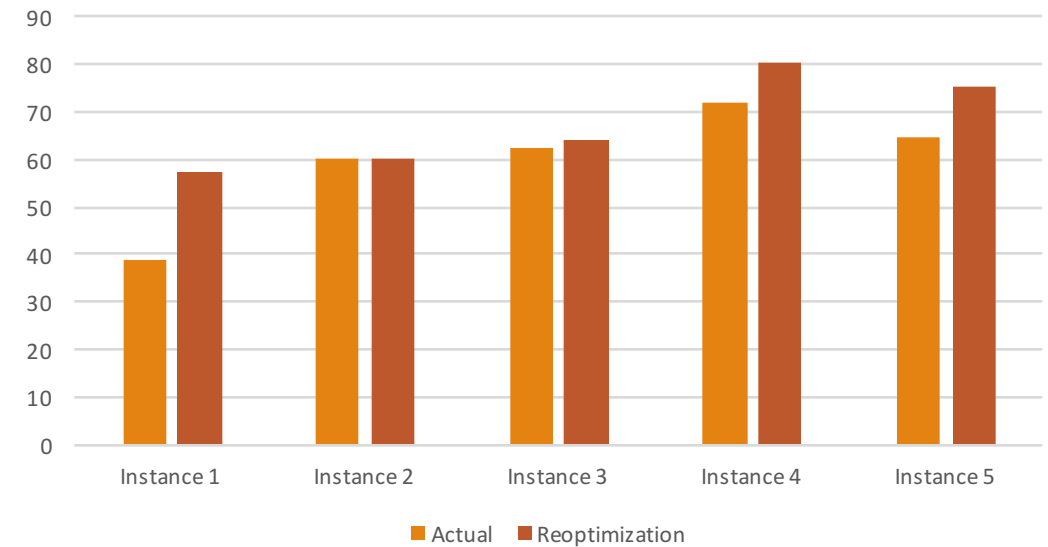
Real Instances

Variation of the total travel time



Reduction of the travel time by **33,49%** in comparison with the actual solution

Variation of the fidelity

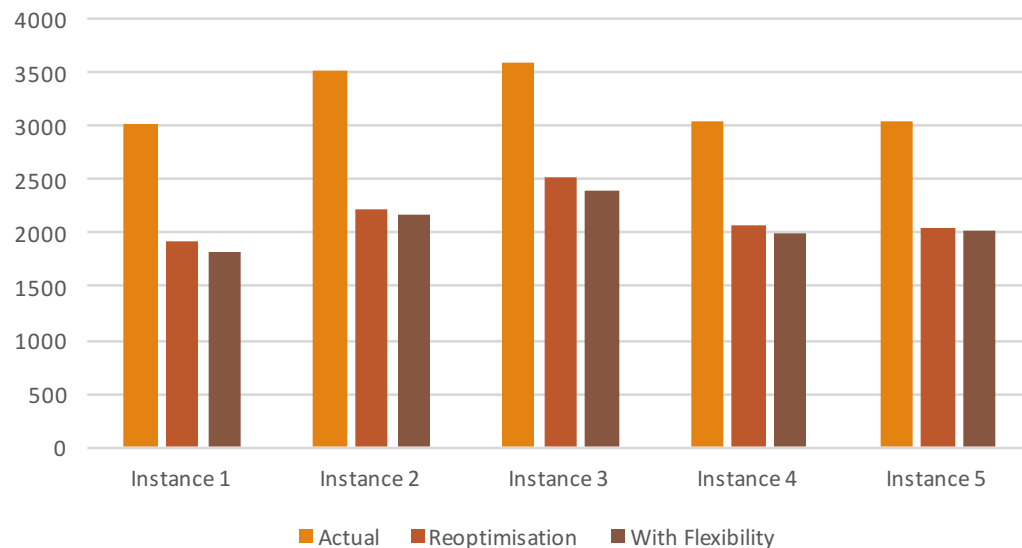


Increase of the continuity of care by **15,92%** in comparison with the actual solution

300 sec, 30000 iter.
Plus 2 available days for
40% of the services

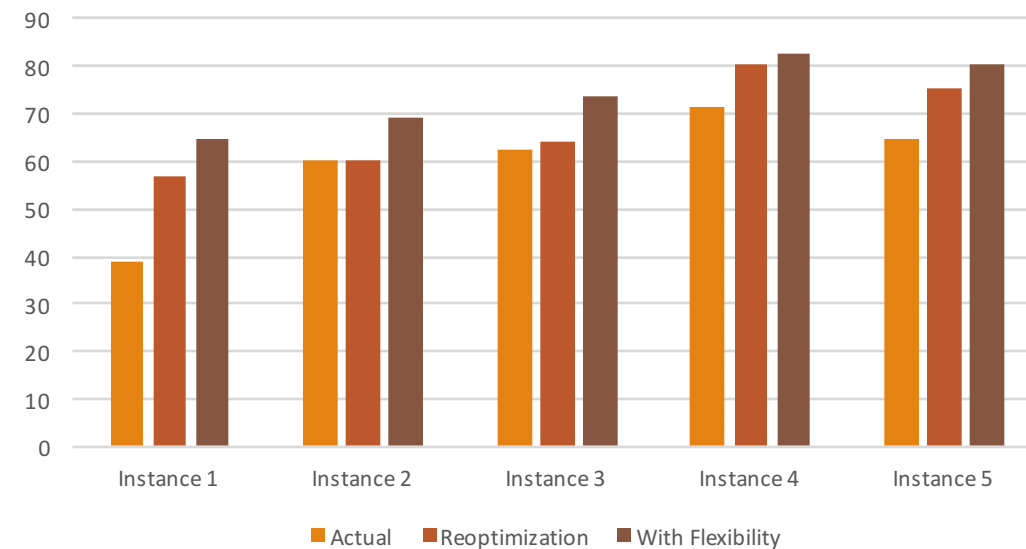
Real Instances

Evolution of the total travel time



Reduction of the travel time by **35,61%** in
comparaison with the actual solution

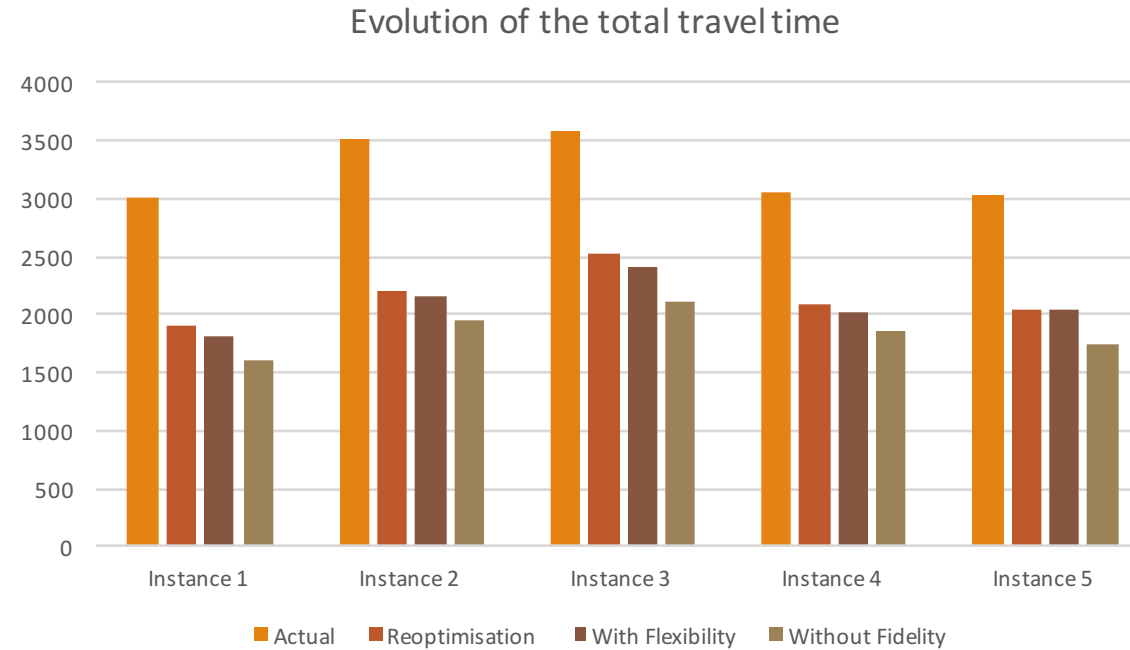
Evolution of the fidelity



Increase of continuity of care by **27,99%** in
comparaison with the actual solution

*300 sec, 30000 iter.
We don't take into
account the past
continuity.*

Real Instances

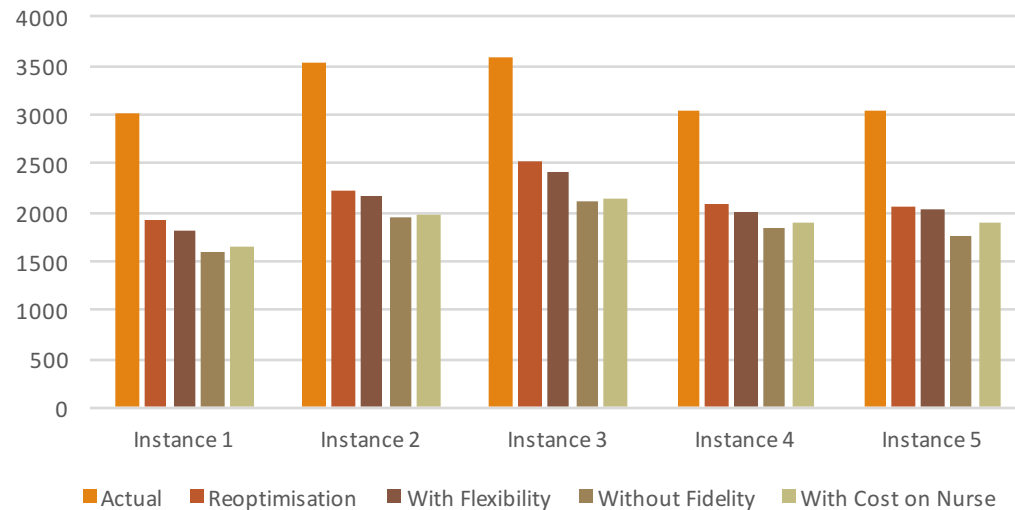


Reduction of the travel time by **42,88%** in
comparaison with the actual solution

300 sec, 30000 iter.
We add a cost on the
utilization of a nurse work day

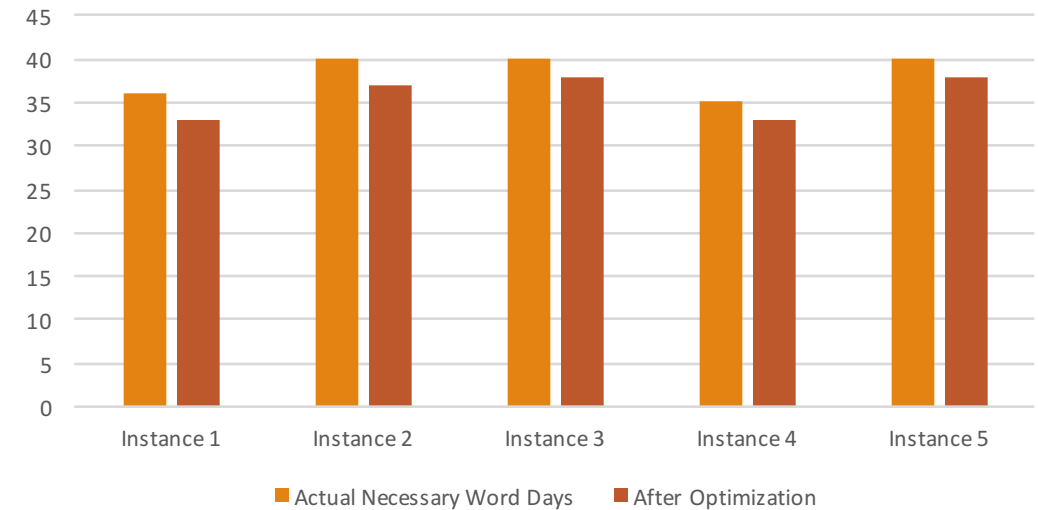
Real Instances

Evolution of the total travel time



Reduction of the travel time by **42,88%** in
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Comparison of the necessary number of word days



Reduction of the number of used work days by
6,31% in comparaison with the actual solution

Conclusion

- We have developped an algorithm to solve the home health care problem
- **Early test** shows that our algorithm seems effective and permits to save at least **33% of the care givers travel time and increase continuité of care.**