

ISTOP

INTER AIRLINE SLOT TRADING OFFER PROVIDER

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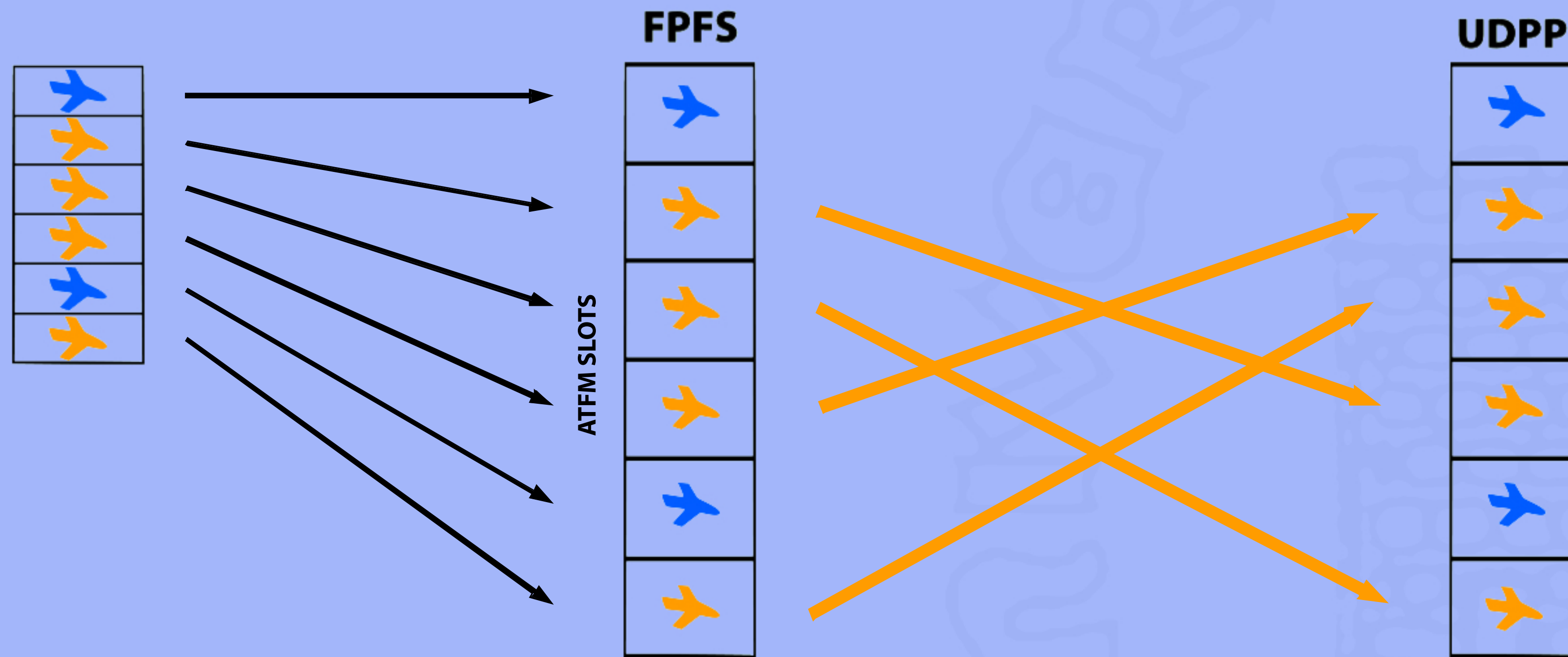


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OBJECTIVE: REDUCE DELAY COST IMPACT



SCENARIO: SINGLE HOTSPOT
SINGLE AIRPORT



CHARACTERISTICS:

No cost information

No negative impact on other AUs

Provides a what if scenario

Practical and simple for the AUs

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UDPP



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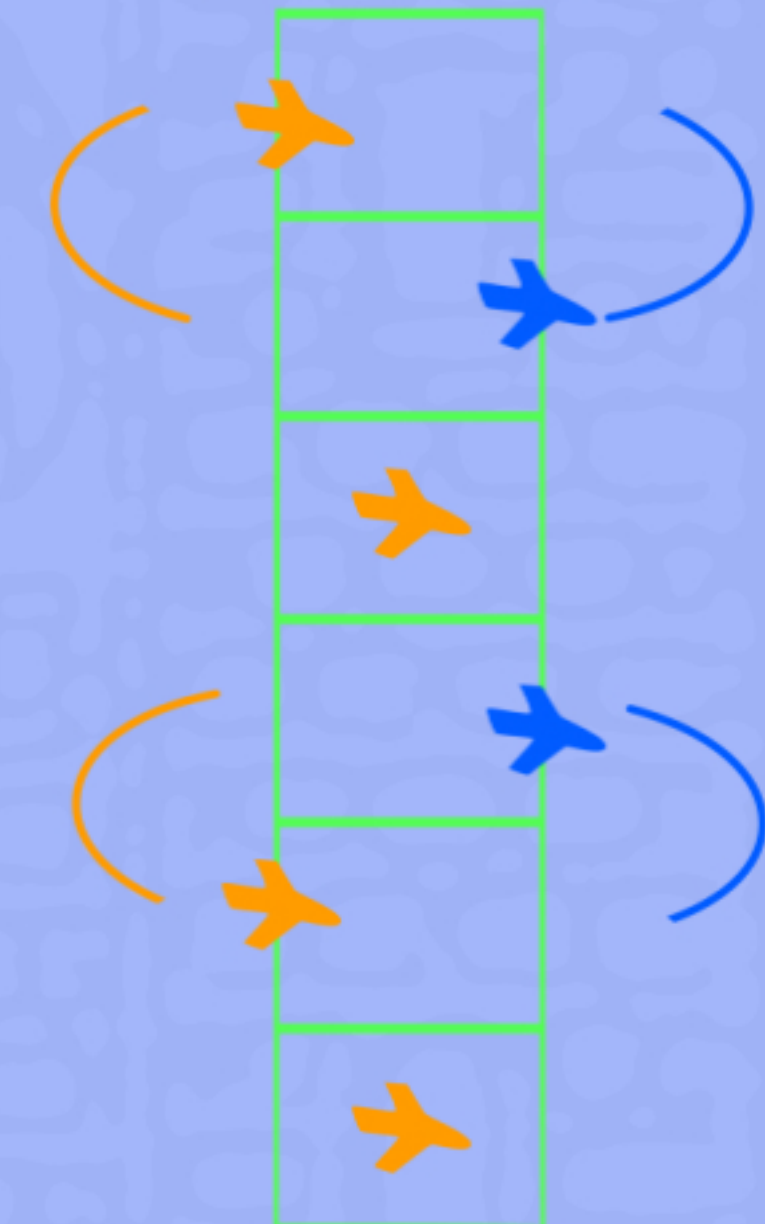
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MARKET MECHANISM



HOW MUCH CAN WE IMPROVE?

Assumption

For any flight f its true cost function C_f exists and it is known by the NM.

FPFS

FLIGHT	COST PER MINUTE	DELAY
A0	8	0
C1	1	1
B2	6	2
A3	5	3
B4	10	4
A5	7	5
B6	4	6
C7	2	7
B8	10	8
C9	3	9
A10	21	10
A11	9	11
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$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$ flight i (the i -th according to the current schedule) is assigned to slot j

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Constraint

All flights have to be assigned:

$$\sum_{j \in S} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in F$$

Constraint

All flights cannot arrive before their ETA:

$$\sum_{j \in S} x_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall f \in F, \quad \forall j : j < ETA(i)$$

Constraint

A slot can host at most one flight:

$$\sum_{i \in F} x_{ij} \leq 1 \quad \forall j \in S$$

Objective

The target is to minimise the overall costs:

$$OBJ := \min \sum_{i \in F, j \in S} x_{ij} \cdot C_f(d_{ij})$$

MINCOST

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A5	7	3
B8	10	2
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A14	15	4
B6	4	14
C9	3	13
C7	2	17
C13	2	13
C1	1	27

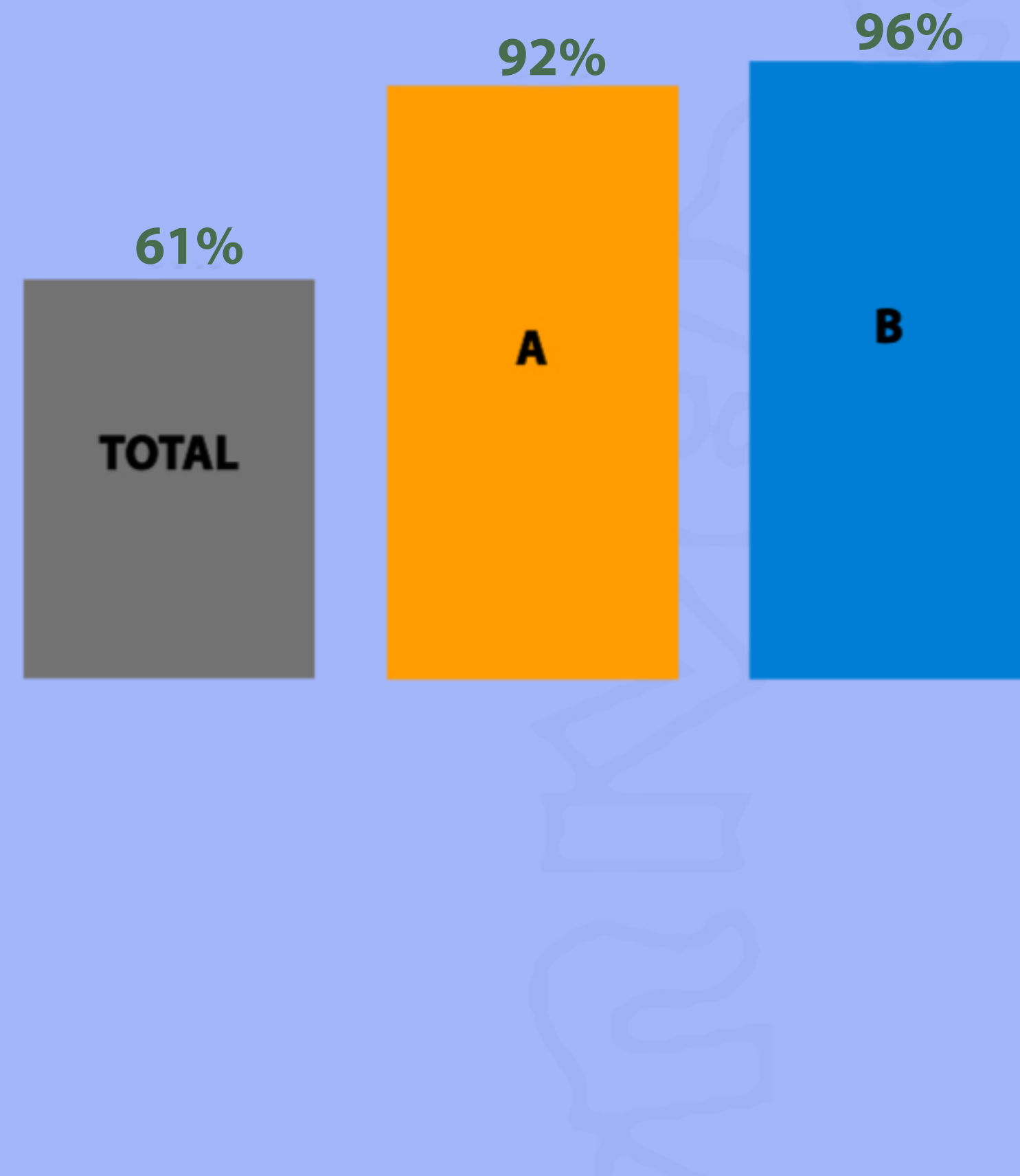
Castelli, Pesenti, Ranieri (2011)

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COST REDUCTION



$$C_f(d) = c_f \cdot d^2$$

AIRLINE	FPFS	MINCOST
A	6349	513
B	2552	1000
C	680	2152
TOTAL	9581	3665

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Biased toward high
cost flights

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NO NEGATIVE IMPACT

Constraint

Each airline A must decrease or keep the same costs w.r.t. the FPFS:

$$\sum_{f \in A} f_{ij} * C_{fa}(d_{ij}) \leq \sum_{f \in A} C_f(d_{ii})$$

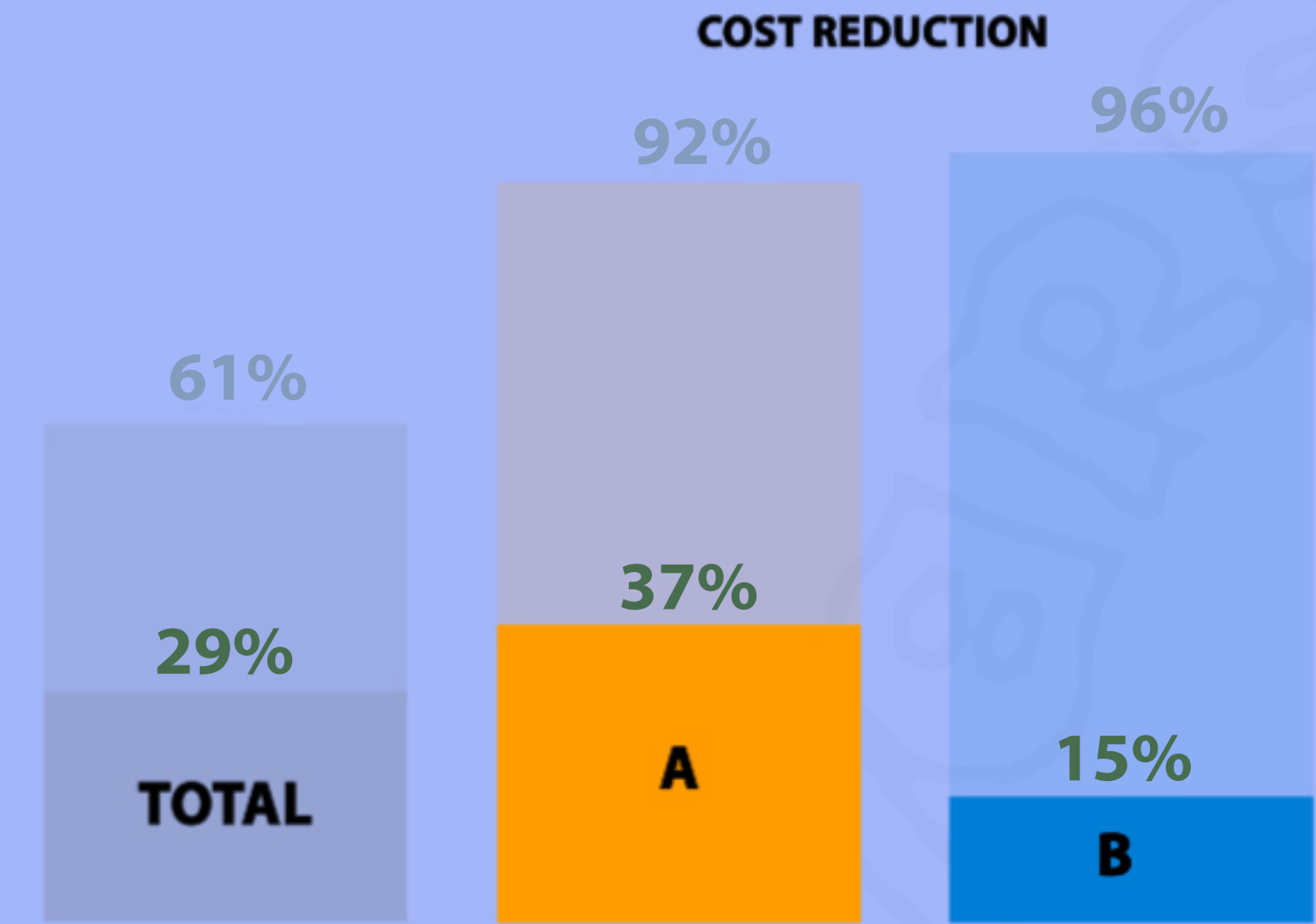
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B6	4	22

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STILL NO FAIRNESS

AN UPPERBOUND TO REDUCTION

POSSIBLE METRIC TO COMPARE MODELS

NM as offer provider

● PRIORITISATION



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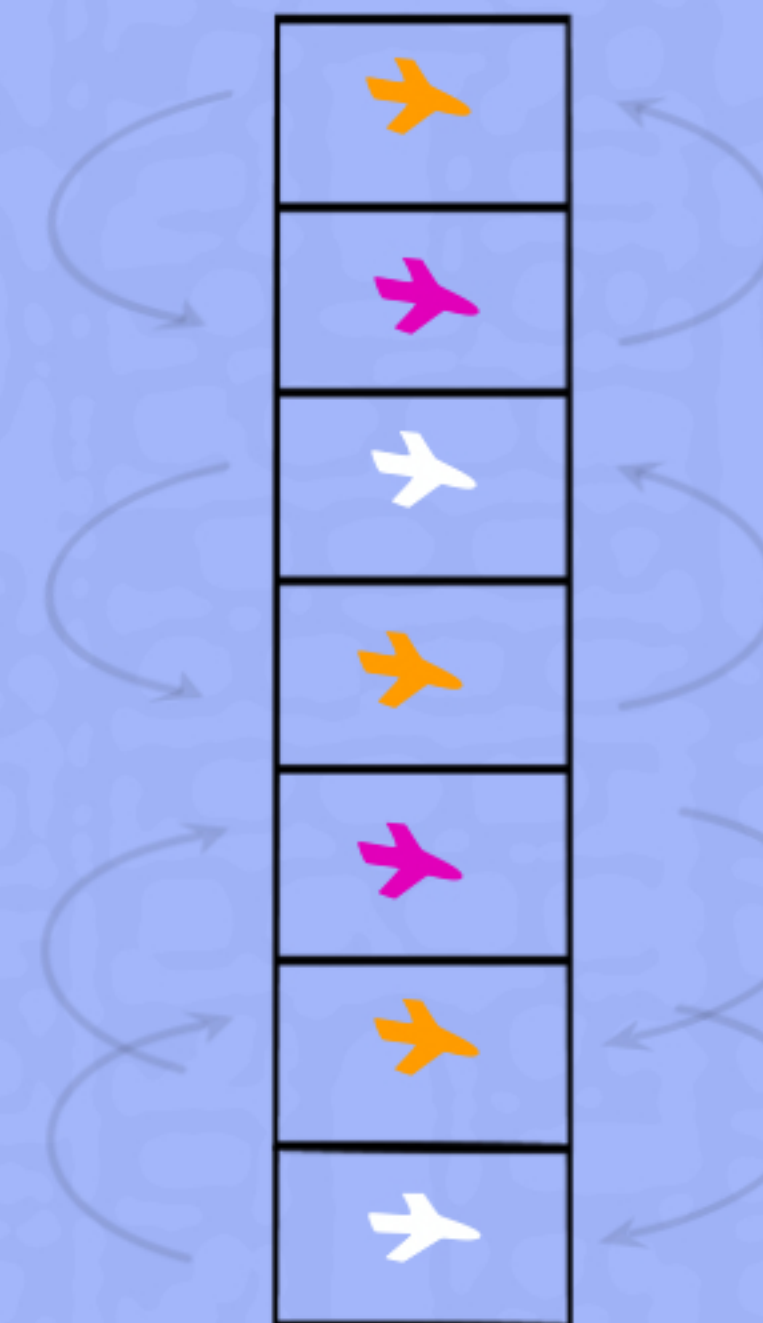
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COMPUTE
SLOT SWAP OFFERS

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2 OFFER 2

AIRLINE



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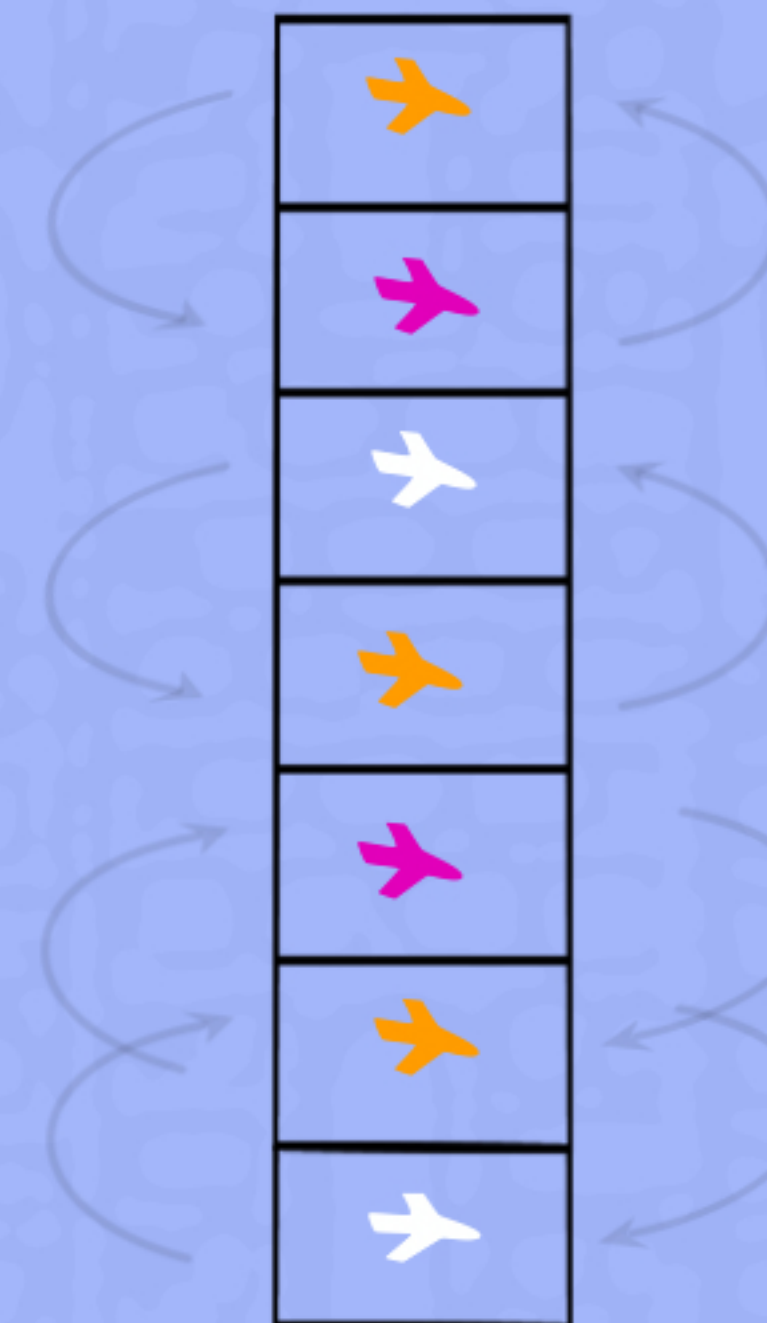
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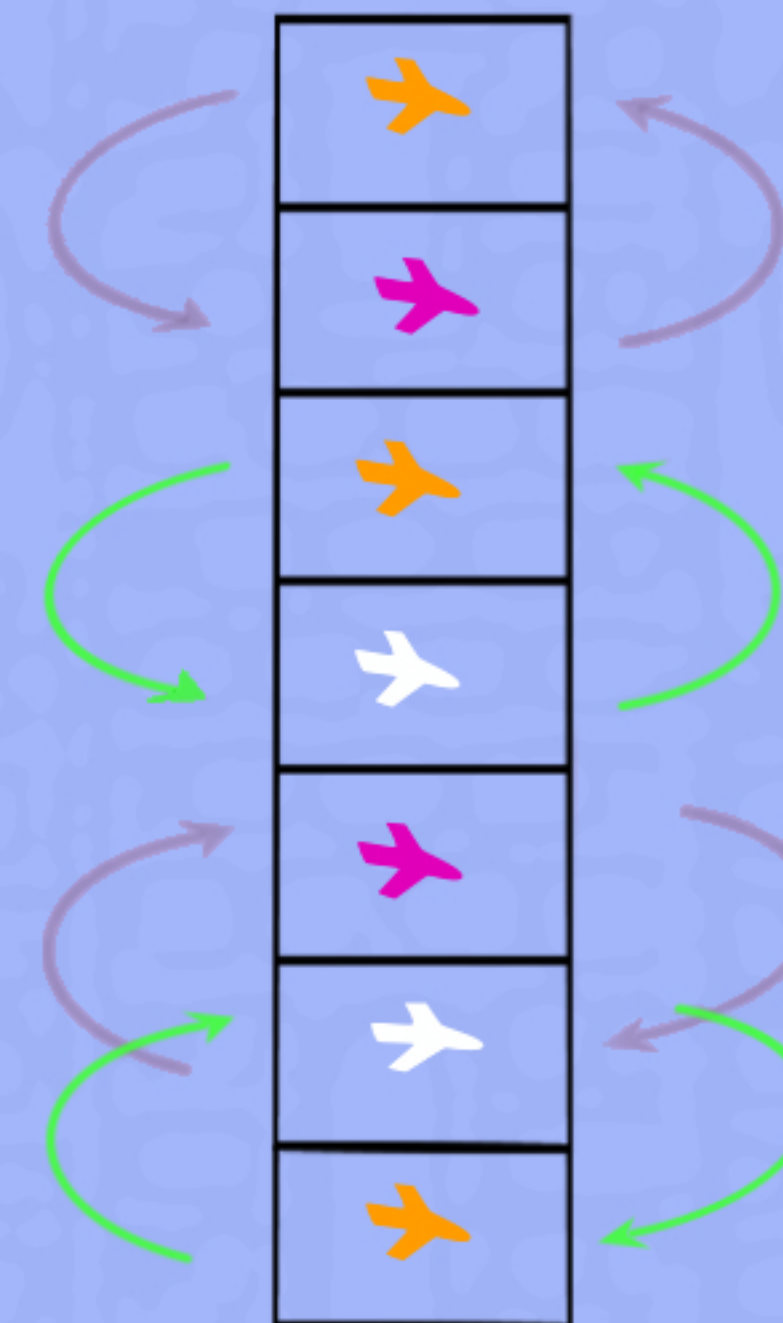


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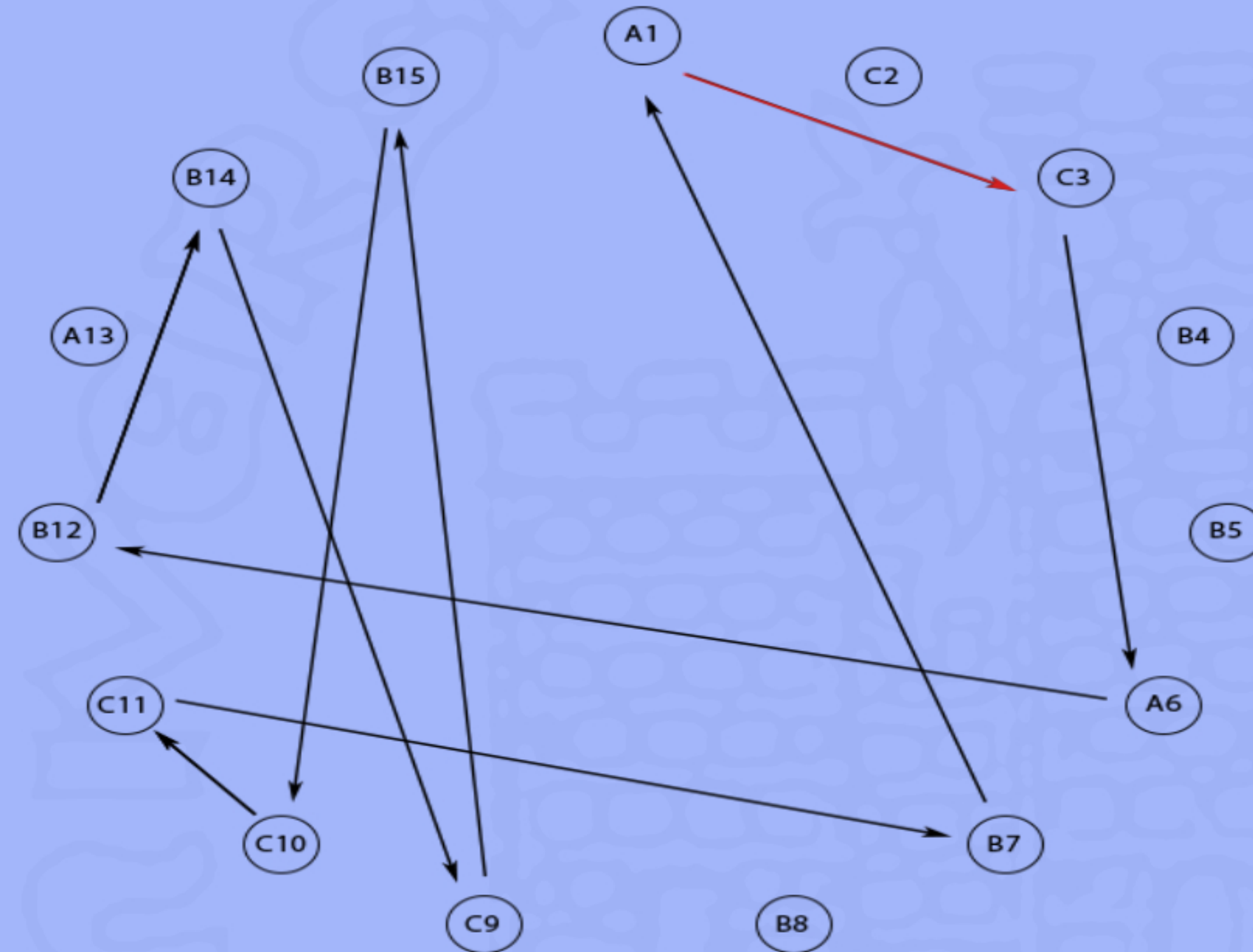
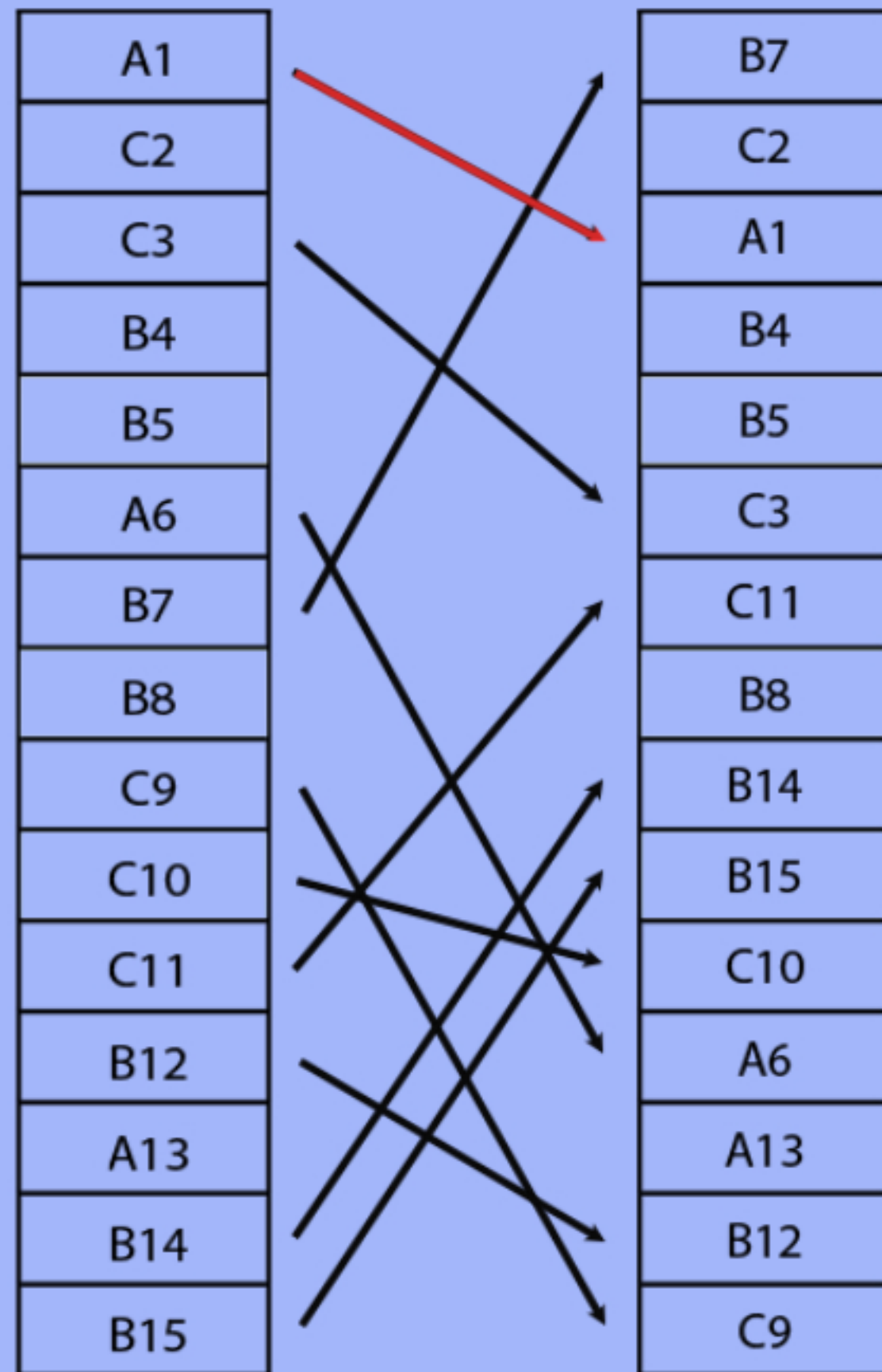
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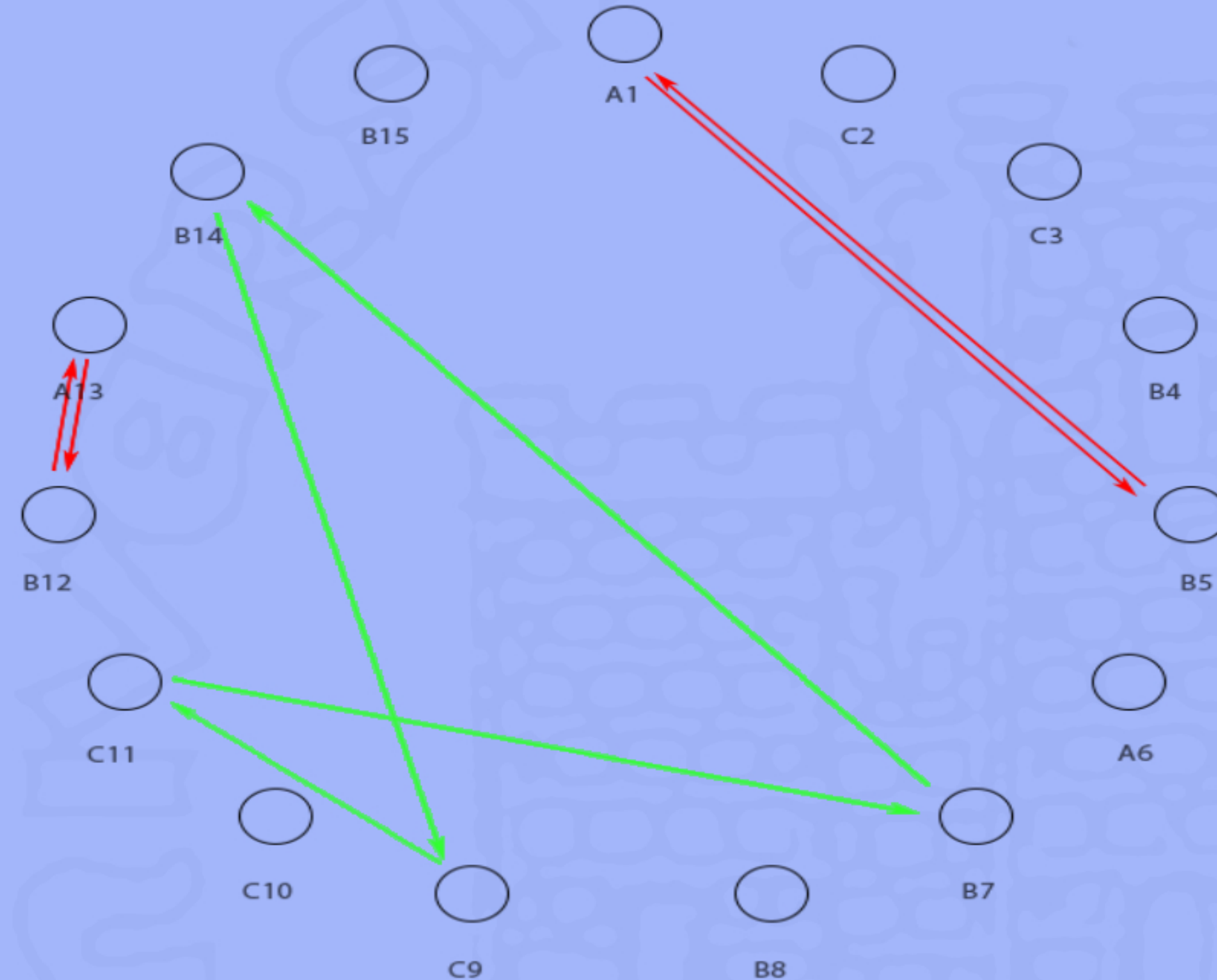


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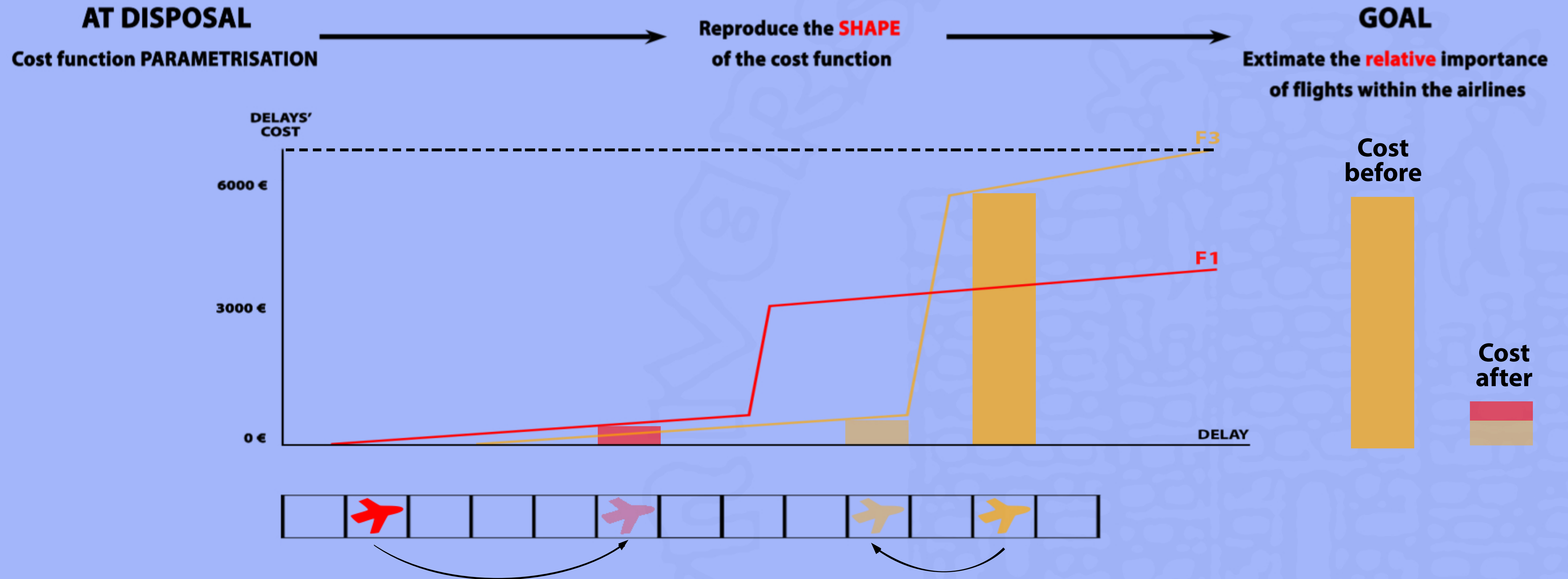
SOLUTION

A1		B5
C2		C2
C3		C3
B4		B4
B5		A1
A6		A6
B7		C11
B8		B8
C9		B14
C10		C10
C11		C9
B12		A13
A13		B12
B14		B7
B15		B15

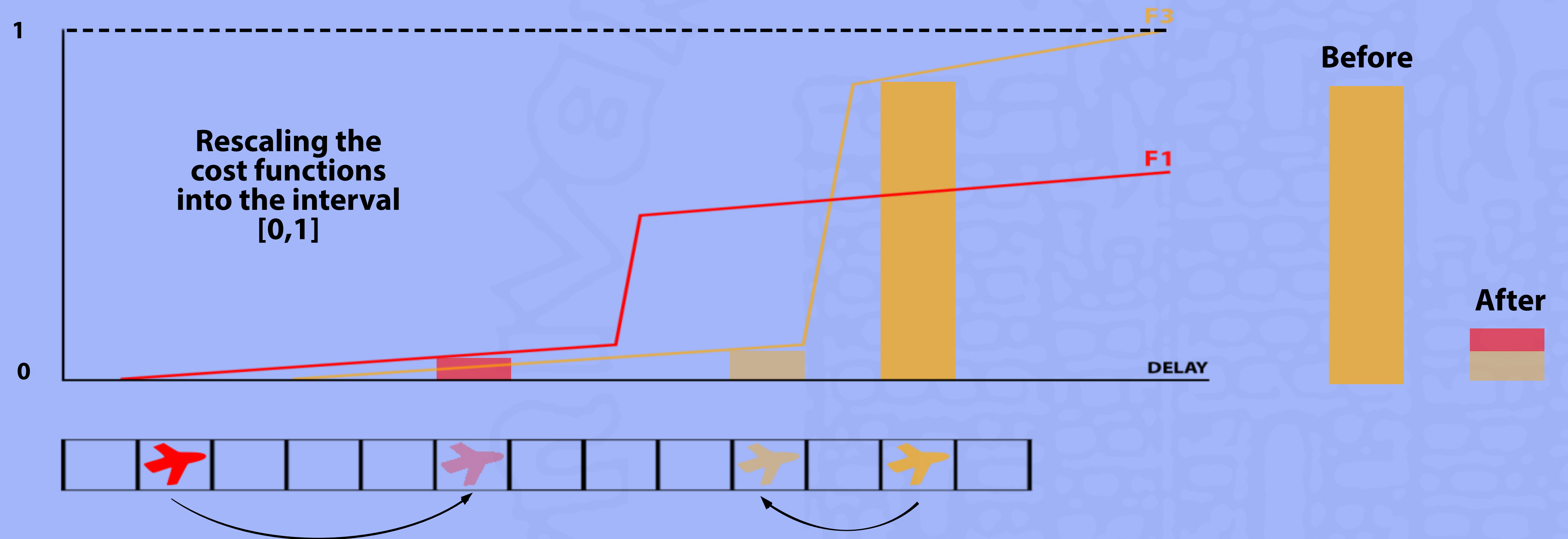
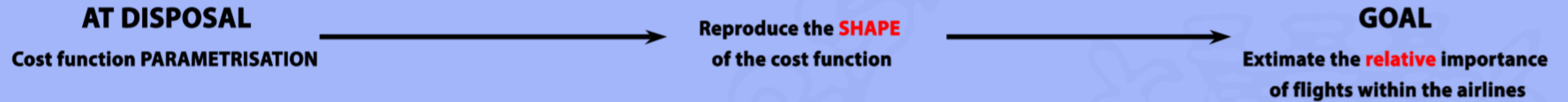


Limit the number of airlines and flights for each offer

HOW TO COMPUTE OFFERS part 1



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HOW TO SELECT OFFERS



Minimise the *Penalty score function*

Objective

$$OBJ := \min \sum_{i,j \in S} \mathcal{PF}(p_i, d_{ij}) \cdot x_{ij}$$

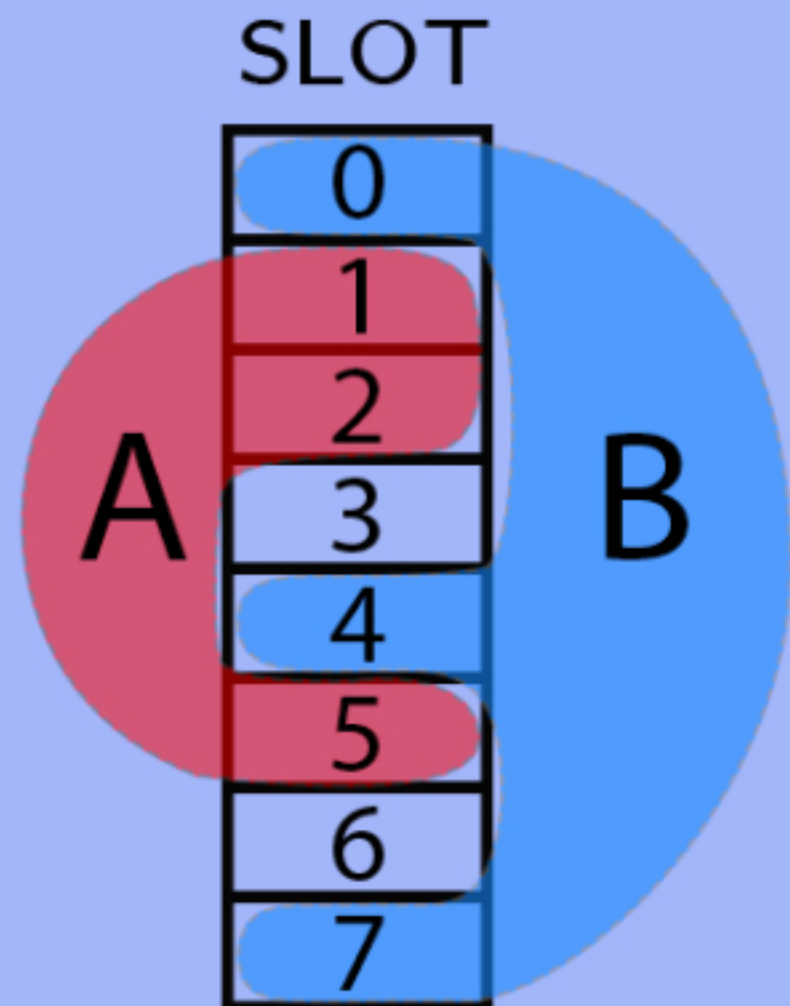
The model is NOT anymore biased to favour high cost flights

HOW TO COMPUTE OFFERS part 2

Definition

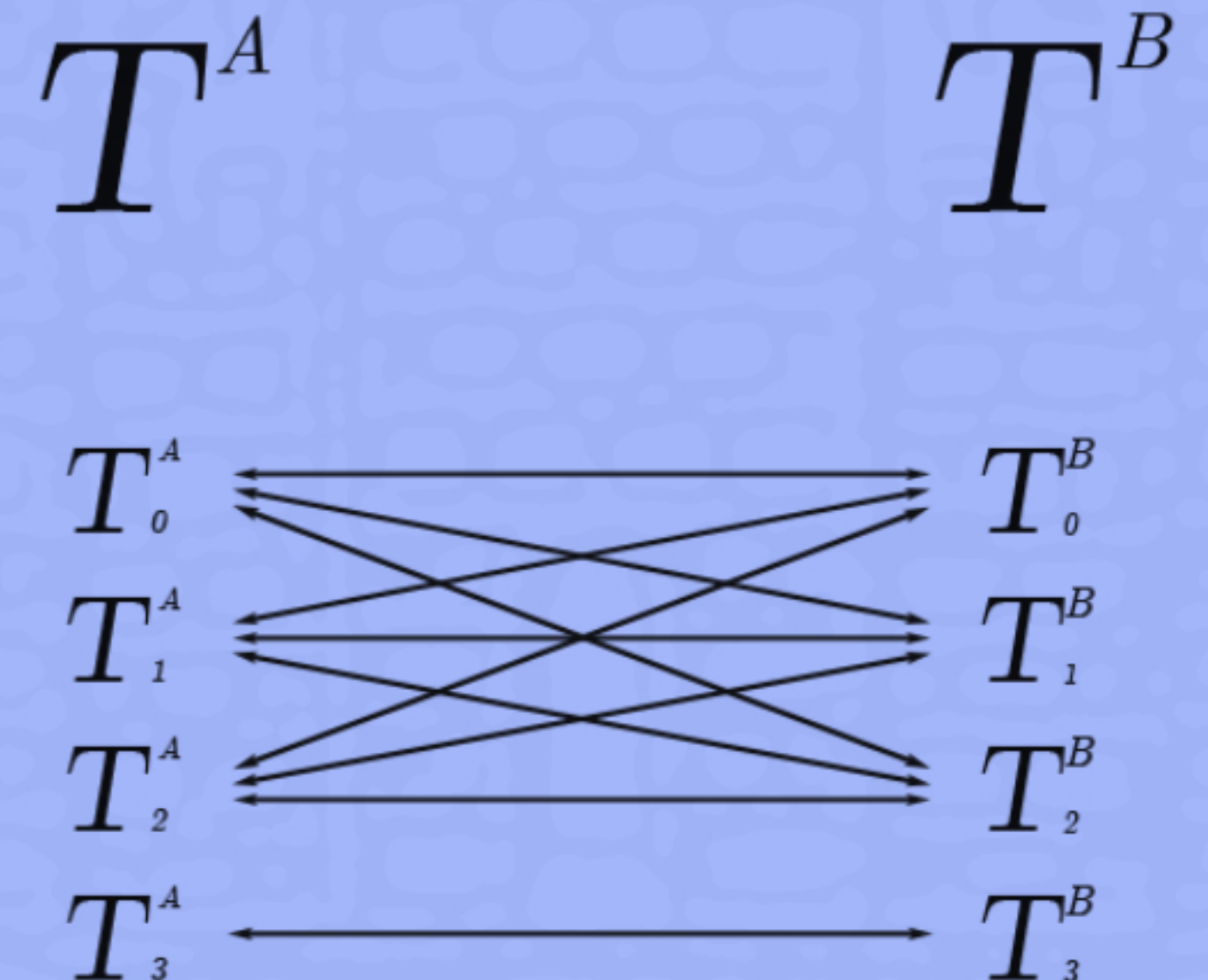
An **offer** consists of an exchange of tuples of slots of the same size, between two airlines; so if T_s^k belongs to A_k and $T_{s'}^w$ belongs to A_w , the offer of exchanging T_s^k and $T_{s'}^w$ can be represented as:

$$T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w \iff o_{ss'}^{kw} \in \{0, 1\} \text{ offer variables}$$



$$\begin{array}{ll} T^A & \\ \{0, 4\} & T_0^A \\ \{0, 7\} & T_1^A \\ \{4, 7\} & T_2^A \\ \{0, 4, 7\} & T_3^A \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} T^B & \\ \{1, 2\} & T_0^B \\ \{1, 5\} & T_1^B \\ \{2, 5\} & T_2^B \\ \{1, 2, 5\} & T_3^B \end{array}$$



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Constraint

All flights have to be assigned either to their initial slot or to a slot owned by another airline

$$\sum_{j \notin A_k} x_{ij} + x_{ii} = 1 \quad \forall i \in A_k, \forall k \in \mathbb{A}$$

$$\sum_{j \in A_k, j \neq i} x_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall i \in A_k$$

Constraint

No flight can be assigned to a slot earlier than its expected arrival time

$$x_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall j \in S : j < ETA(i), \quad \forall i \in S$$

Constraint

All slots can host at most a single flight

$$\sum_{i \in S} x_{ij} \leq 1 \quad \forall j \in S$$

Constraint

If $x_{ij} = 1$, for some $j \neq i$, then it must exist a tuple, including flight i , that has been selected for some offer, which implies that the correspondent offer variable is equal to one:

$$\sum_{j \in S, j \neq i} x_{ij} = \sum_{k \in O(i)} o_k \quad \forall i \in S$$

Constraint

If an offer is activated the respective flights decision variables have to be equal to one:

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in T_s^k \\ j \in T_{s'}^w}} x_{ij} + \sum_{\substack{i \in T_{s'}^k \\ j \in T_s^w}} x_{ji} \geq 2 \cdot |T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w| \cdot o_{ss'}^{kw}$$

$$\forall T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w \in \mathcal{O}$$

No negative impact

$o_{ss'}^{kw} = 1$ the offer has been selected

Constraint

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in T_s^k \\ j \in T_{s'}^w}} x_{ij} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_i, d_{ij}) - (1 - o_{ss'}^{kw}) \cdot \mathcal{M} \leq \sum_{\substack{i \in T_s \\ j \in T_{s'}}} x_{ij} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_i, d_{ij}) - \varepsilon \quad \forall T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w \in \mathcal{O};$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in T_s \\ j \in T_{s'}}} x_{ji} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_j, d_{ji}) - (1 - o_{ss'}^{kw}) \cdot \mathcal{M} \leq \sum_{\substack{i \in T_s^k \\ j \in T_{s'}^w}} x_{ji} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_j, d_{ji}) - \varepsilon \quad \forall T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w \in \mathcal{O}$$

where $\mathcal{M} \gg 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ are appropriate dummy constants.

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Constraint

Penalty after the swap

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in T_s^k \\ j \in T_{s'}^w}} x_{ij} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_i, d_{ij})$$

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$$\leq \sum_{\substack{i \in T_s^k \\ j \in T_{s'}^w}} x_{ji} \cdot \mathcal{PF}(p_j, d_{jj}) - \varepsilon \quad \forall T_s^k \sim T_{s'}^w \in \mathcal{O}$$

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RESULTS



MODELS TESTED

- MINCOST
- NN BOUND
- UDPP (FDR+SFP)
- UDPP + ISTOP

SCENARIO

COST MODEL

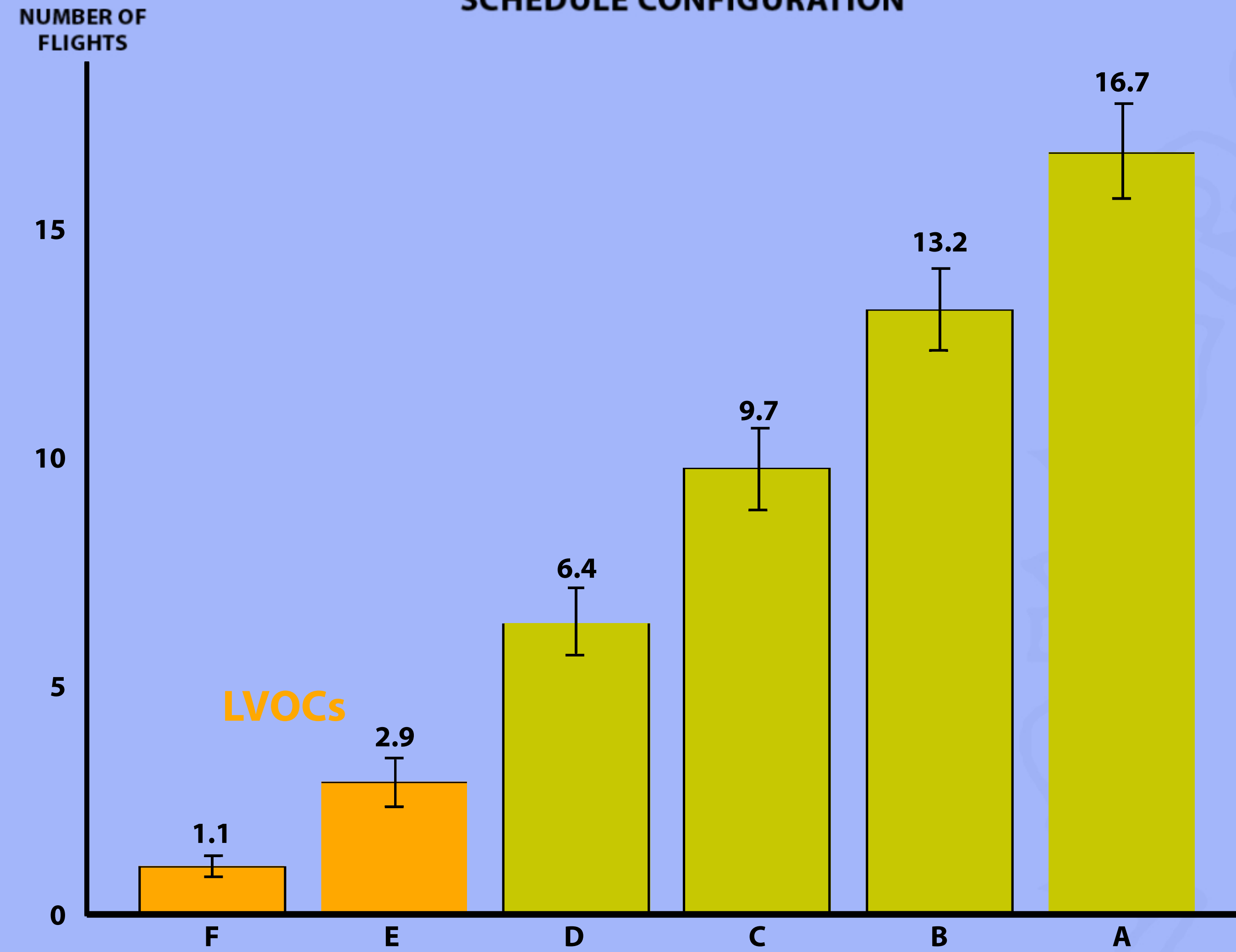
- offers: 2 airlines, 2 flights per airlines
- 50 flights, 5 airlines
- 100 runs

European airline delay cost reference values (2015)

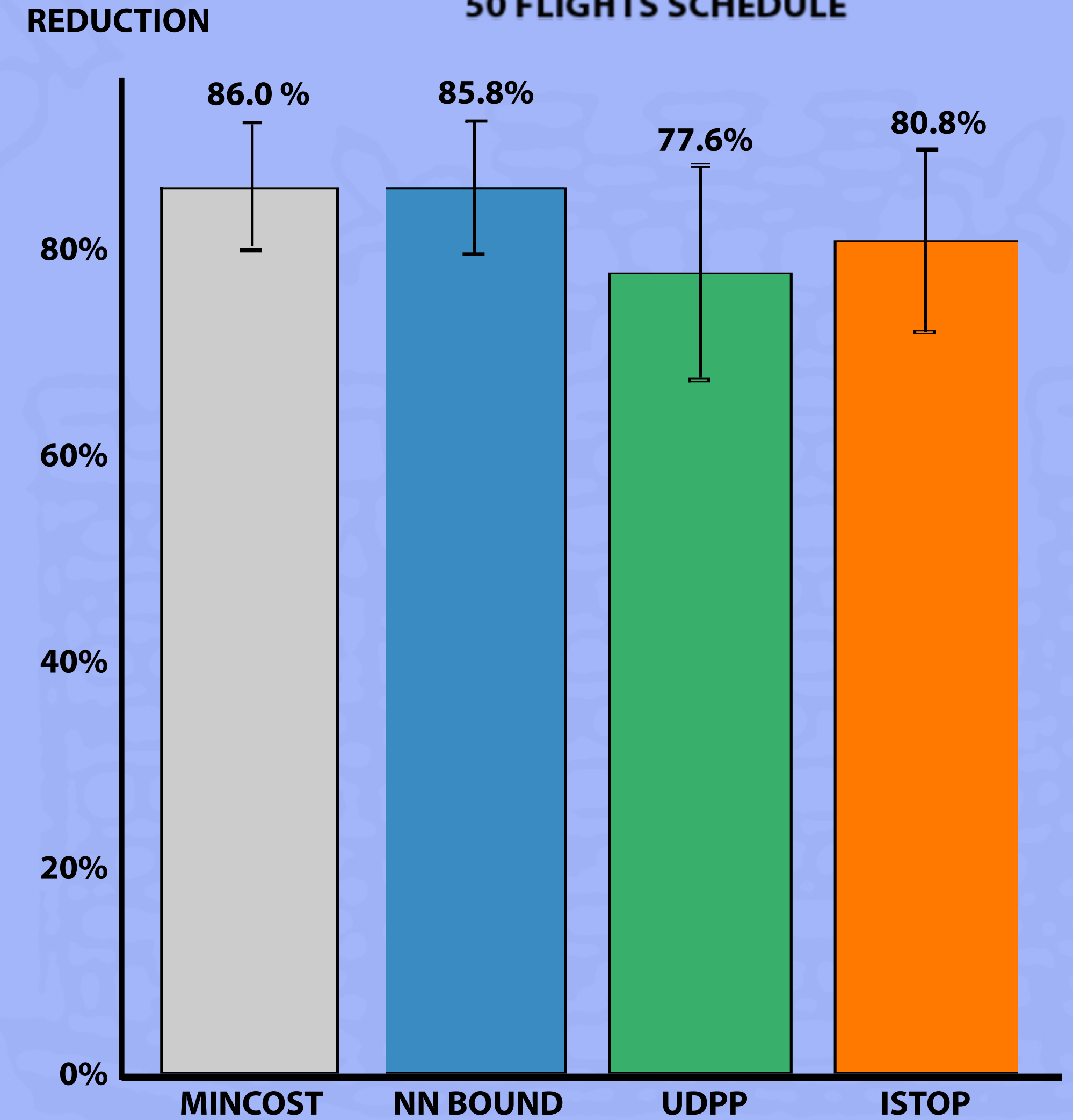
- passengers
 - * duty of care
 - * compensation
 - * soft costs
- turnaround
- maintenance
- crew
- connecting passengers
- on ground maintenance

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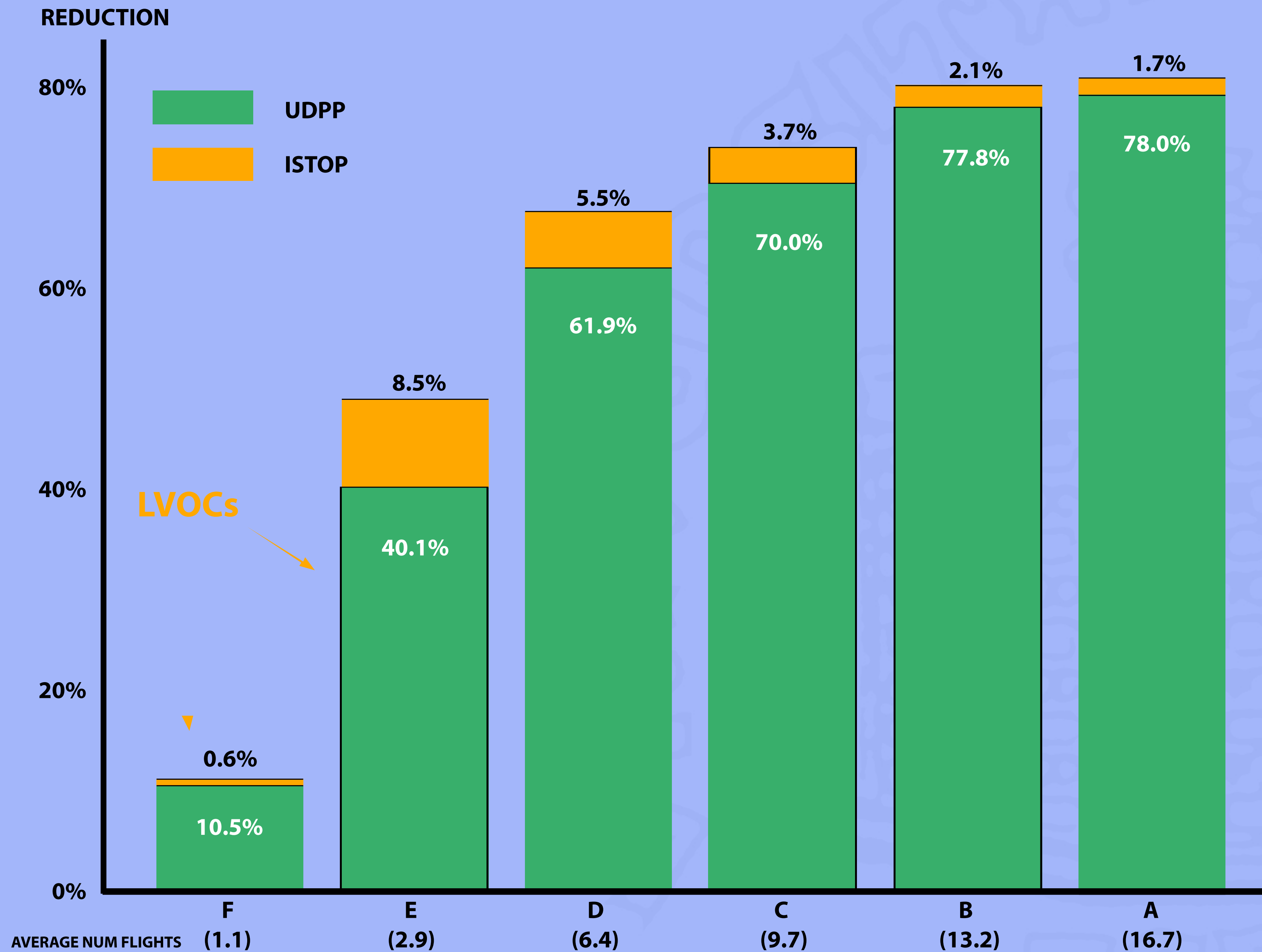
AVERAGE 50 FLIGHTS
SCHEDULE CONFIGURATION



DELAY IMPACT REDUCTION
50 FLIGHTS SCHEDULE



RESULTS



CONCLUSIONS



PROS

- Preserves UDPP equity concept
- Improves cost reduction
- Improves LVOCs impact
- High level of control from the airlines
- Hides real costs information

LIMITATIONS

- No benefit for 1 flight airlines
- Requires an accurate cost function approximation



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