Waste collection inventory routing with non-stationary stochastic demands

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- Vehicles are dispatched to carry out the daily schedules produced by the routing algorithm.
- Efficient waste collection thus depends on the ability to:
 - forecast container levels,
 - select the containers to collect each day,
 - and route the vehicles in an (near-)optimal way.



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- The setup falls within the framework of the IRP with:
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- The routing component includes:
 - intermediate facility visits (recycling plants),
 - heterogeneous capacitated vehicles,
 - site dependencies,
 - vehicle-to-period availabilities,
 - time windows,
 - maximum tour duration.

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Related VRP Literature

- VRP with intermediate facilities (VRP-IF):
 - Bard et al. (1998a), Kim et al. (2006), Crevier et al. (2007).
- Electric and alternative fuel VRP:
 - Conrad and Figliozzi (2011), Erdoğan and Miller-Hooks (2012), Schneider et al. (2014), Schneider et al. (2015).
- Heterogeneous fixed fleet VRP:
 - Taillard (1999), Baldacci and Mingozzi (2009), Subramanian et al. (2012), Penna et al. (2013).
 - Hiermann et al. (2014) and Goeke and Schneider (2015) use some form of vehicle heterogeneity in the electric VRP.

Related Stochastic IRP Literature

- Early research on optimal replenishment policies in a stochastic setting:
 - Trudeau and Dror (1992), Jaillet et al. (2002), Bard et al. (1998b).
- Robust optimization:
 - Solyalı et al. (2012).
- Chance constraints:
 - Soysal et al. (2015), Abdollahi et al. (2014), Yu et al. (2012).
- Scenario based:
 - roll-out/branch-and-cut: Bertazzi et al. (2013), Bertazzi et al. (2015).
 - stochastic optimization: Hemmelmayr et al. (2010), Nolz et al. (2014), Adulyasak et al. (2015).

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- A rich IRP with features traditionally absent or rarely considered in the IRP literature.
- ALNS algorithm performs very well on IRP benchmarks from the literature.
- Benefit of considering uncertainty in the objective function evaluated on instances derived from real data.

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\mathcal{T}	$= \{0,, u\}$	\mathcal{T}^+	$= \{1,, u + 1\}$

Parameters

π_{ij}	length	of arc	(<i>i</i> , <i>j</i>)
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$ au_{ijk}$	travel	time	of	vehicle	k	on	arc	(i,	j))
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- λ_i, μ_i lower and upper time window bound at point *i*
- δ_i service duration at point *i*
- ρ_{it} demand of container *i* on day *t* (random variable)
- ω_i capacity of container *i*
- χ container overflow cost (monetary)
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- $\sigma_{it} = 1$ if container *i* is in a state of full and overflowing on day *t*, 0 otherwise
- Ω_k capacity of vehicle k
- φ_k daily deployment cost of vehicle k (monetary)
- β_k unit-distance running cost of vehicle k (monetary)
- θ_k unit-time running cost of vehicle k (monetary)
- $\alpha_{kt} = 1$ if vehicle k is available on day t, 0 otherwise
- $\alpha_{ik} = 1$ if point *i* is accessible by vehicle *k*, 0 otherwise
- H maximum tour duration

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Decision variables: binary

$$\begin{aligned} x_{ijkt} &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if vehicle } k \text{ traverses arc } (i,j) \text{ on day } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ y_{ikt} &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if vehicle } k \text{ visits point } i \text{ on day } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ z_{kt} &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if vehicle } k \text{ is used on day } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Decision variables: continuous

- q_{ikt} expected pickup quantity by vehicle k at point i on day t
- Q_{ikt} expected cumulative quantity on vehicle k at point i on day t
- I_{it} expected inventory at point *i* at the start of day *t*
- S_{ikt} start-of-service time of vehicle k at point i on day t

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- The probabilities are dynamic and conditional, and depend on:
 - the evolution of container states over the planning horizon,
 - and the vehicle visits on each day.

Objective Function



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- Lower routing cost is counterbalanced by more overflows and route failures, and vice versa.
- Our goal is to minimize the expected monetary value of all components.

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- Related costs:
 - overflow cost χ : paid in state $\sigma_{it} = 1$,
 - emergency collection cost ζ : paid in state $\sigma_{it} = 1$ when $y_{ikt} = 0, \forall k \in \mathcal{K}.$

Formulation



• Routing cost (RC):

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \left(\varphi_k z_{kt} + \beta_k \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} \pi_{ij} x_{ijkt} + \theta_k \left(S_{dkt} - S_{okt} \right) \right)$$
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• Expected overflow and emergency collection cost (EOECC):

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T} \cup \mathcal{T}^+} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{P}} \left(\mathbb{P}\left(\sigma_{it} = 1 \mid \max\left(0, g < t \colon \exists k \in \mathcal{K} \colon y_{ikg} = 1\right)\right) \left(\chi + \zeta - \zeta \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} y_{ikt}\right) \right) \quad (2)$$

• Expected route failure cost (ERFC):

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T} \setminus 0} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \sum_{S \in \mathscr{S}_{kt}} \left(C_{\mathcal{S}} \mathbb{P} \left(\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} I_{st} > \Omega_k \ \middle| \ \max(0, g < t \colon y_{skg} = 1) \right) \right), \quad (3)$$

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- The objective function becomes

$$z(\cdot) = \mathsf{RC} + \mathsf{EOECC} + \mathsf{ERFC} \tag{4}$$

and is non-linear, thus resulting in an MINLP.

Constraints: Basic routing

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} x_{ojkt} = \alpha_{kt} z_{kt},$$

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} x_{idkt} = \alpha_{kt} z_{kt},$$

$$y_{ikt} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} x_{ijkt} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}} x_{jikt},$$

$$\sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} y_{ikt} \leq 1,$$

$$y_{ikt} \leq \alpha_{ik},$$

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} x_{ijkt} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} x_{jikt},$$

$$l_{it} = l_{i(t-1)} - \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} q_{ik(t-1)} + \mathbb{E}(p_{it})$$

$$l_{it} \leq \omega_{i},$$

$$l_{i0} - \omega_{i} \leq \omega_{i} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} y_{ik0},$$

$$q_{ikt} \leq My_{ikt},$$

$$q_{ikt} \leq l_{it},$$

$$q_{ikt} \geq l_{it} - M(1 - y_{ikt}),$$

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$y_{ikt} \leqslant lpha_{ik},$	$\forall t \in \mathcal{T}, k \in \mathcal{K}, i \in \mathcal{P}$	(9)
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$I_{it} = I_{i(t-1)} - \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} q_{ik(t-1)} + \mathbb{E}(\rho_{i(t-1)}),$	$\forall t \in \mathcal{T}^+, i \in \mathcal{P}$	(11)
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Constraints: Capacity related

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	$\forall t \in \mathcal{T}, k \in \mathcal{K}, i \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \{d\}, j \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \{o\}$	(20)
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Adaptive Large Neighborhood Search (ALNS)

• Solved by ALNS with the following operators:

Destroy operators:

- remove ho containers randomly,
- remove ho worst containers,
- Shaw removals (Shaw, 1997),
- empty a random day,
- empty a random vehicle,
- remove a random dump,
- remove the worst dump,
- remove consecutive visits.

Repair operators:

- insert ho containers randomly,
- insert ρ containers in the best way,
- Shaw insertions (Shaw, 1997),
- swap ho random containers,
- insert a dump randomly,
- swap random dumps,
- replace a random dump,
- reorder dumps DP operator.

Reorder dumps DP Operator (Hemmelmayr et al., 2013)

Figure 2: Feasibility graph of the reorder dumps DP operator



- Preserves/restores vehicle capacity feasibility.
- Removes all dump visits and reinserts them in a locally optimal way solving a shortest path problem using the Bellman-Ford algorithm.
- Followed by local search improvement using 2-opt.

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- The solution representation during the search is:

$$f(s) = z(s) + L^{\Omega} V^{\Omega}(s) + L^{\mu} V^{\mu} + L^{H} V^{H}(s) + L^{\omega} V^{\omega}(s) + L^{0} V^{0}(s) + L^{\alpha} V^{\alpha}(s)$$
(26)

with the penalties L^{Ω} through L^{α} dynamically adjusted during the search to encourage or discourage infeasible solutions.

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- Heuristic solutions by Archetti et al. (2012), Coelho et al. (2012a), Coelho et al. (2012b), etc...
- We solve each instance 10 times and report best and average results.

Table 1: Results on instances with high inventory holding cost

		/	ALNS fast version	on	A	LNS slow version	on
и	n	Runtime(s.)	Best Gap(%)	Avg Gap(%)	Runtime(s.)	Best Gap(%)	Avg Gap(%)
3	5	8	0.00	0.00	32	0.00	0.00
3	10	14	0.00	0.00	59	0.00	0.00
3	15	22	0.00	0.00	93	0.00	0.00
3	20	36	0.00	0.01	149	0.00	0.00
3	25	53	0.00	0.06	221	0.00	0.01
3	30	77	0.00	0.27	318	0.00	0.06
3	35	108	0.01	0.15	440	0.00	0.04
3	40	149	0.12	0.48	602	0.01	0.23
3	45	199	0.17	0.47	808	0.10	0.25
3	50	276	0.15	0.52	1074	0.07	0.25
6	5	14	0.00	0.00	55	0.00	0.00
6	10	28	0.00	0.01	113	0.00	0.00
6	15	53	0.00	0.07	198	0.00	0.01
6	20	81	0.04	0.14	331	0.01	0.08
6	25	128	0.19	0.64	513	0.10	0.38
6	30	189	0.08	0.70	772	0.07	0.38
Average 90		0.05	0.22	361	0.02	0.11	

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		/	ALNS fast version	on	A	LNS slow version	on
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3	5	7	0.00	0.00	30	0.00	0.00
3	10	14	0.00	0.00	55	0.00	0.00
3	15	22	0.00	0.00	89	0.00	0.00
3	20	34	0.00	0.04	141	0.00	0.01
3	25	52	0.00	0.17	210	0.00	0.04
3	30	71	0.02	0.56	295	0.00	0.14
3	35	101	0.01	0.53	423	0.00	0.18
3	40	140	0.37	1.20	567	0.12	0.48
3	45	191	0.59	1.71	751	0.26	1.03
3	50	247	0.30	1.52	1009	0.25	1.00
6	5	13	0.00	0.00	54	0.00	0.00
6	10	28	0.00	0.02	109	0.00	0.01
6	15	49	0.00	0.03	188	0.00	0.00
6	20	77	0.08	0.26	315	0.05	0.15
6	25	121	0.25	1.29	493	0.24	0.65
6	30	182	0.67	1.90	726	0.07	1.06
Ave	Average 84 0.14		0.58	341	0.06	0.30	

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		ALNS					
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abs1n50	31,147.82	670	30,708.05	30,809.31	-1.41	-1.09	
abs2n50	30,192.51	676	30,226.23	30,271.07	0.11	0.26	
abs3n50	30,420.96	667	30,388.68	30,515.79	-0.11	0.31	
abs4n50	31,898.84	671	32,103.17	32,213.62	0.64	0.99	
abs5n50	29,518.68	666	29,646.74	29,797.79	0.43	0.95	
abs6n50	32,394.50	652	32,336.81	32,420.63	-0.18	0.08	
abs7n50	30,165.00	661	30,222.28	30,269.23	0.19	0.35	
abs8n50	26,416.46	652	26,409.83	26,537.19	-0.03	0.46	
abs9n50	30,671.88	656	30,543.31	30,630.53	-0.42	-0.13	
abs10n50	32,362.01	635	31,937.51	32,065.85	-1.31	-0.92	
Average	30,518.87	661	30,452.26	30,553.10	-0.21	0.13	

Table 3: Results on 50-customer instances with high inventory holding cost

Instance	Archetti et al. (2012)	Runtime(s.)	Best Cost	Avg Cost	Best Gap(%)	Avg Gap(%)
abs1n50	10,409.13	611	10,377.36	10,449.91	-0.31	0.39
abs2n50	10,881.35	643	10,927.83	11,014.20	0.43	1.22
abs3n50	10,767.39	622	10,702.05	10,924.09	-0.61	1.46
abs4n50	10,656.21	632	10,711.86	10,875.98	0.52	2.06
abs5n50	10,234.60	624	10,332.55	10,458.54	0.96	2.19
abs6n50	10,533.63	620	10,388.66	10,485.72	-1.38	-0.45
abs7n50	10,460.82	626	10,388.08	10,497.06	-0.70	0.35
abs8n50	10,411.20	623	10,683.31	10,771.40	2.61	3.46
abs9n50	10,305.69	610	10,416.97	10,472.96	1.08	1.62
abs10n50	10,470.63	598	10,047.06	10,153.50	-4.05	-3.03
Average	10,513.07	621	10,497.57	10,610.33	-0.14	0.93

Table 4: Results on 50-customer instances with low inventory holding cost

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- 63 instances, each covering a week of white glass collections in Geneva, Switzerland in 2014, 2015, or 2016.
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Real Data: The Relevant Costs

- Truck related:
 - vehicle per day: 100 CHF,
 - vehicle per km: 2.95 CHF,
 - driver per hour: 40 CHF.
- Container related:
 - overflow cost χ : 100 CHF,
 - emergency collection cost ζ : 100 CHF, 50 CHF, 25 CHF.
- Route failure related:
 - cost of visiting the nearest dump from a cluster C_S , multiplied by a *route failure cost multiplier* (RFCM): 1.00, 0.50, 0.25.

Two Problem Types

- Routing-only:
 - Optimizes the routing cost only in the objective function, disregarding all probability information.
 - In other words, it ignores the risk of container overflows and route failures.
- Complete:
 - Optimizes the complete objective function as previously defined.

Real Data: Cost Comparison

Table 5: Basic results for real data instances

Туре	Emergency Cost	RFCM	Runtime (s.)	Avg Num Tours	Avg Num Containers	Avg Num Dump Visits	Best Cost (CHF)	Avg Cost (CHF)	Gap Avg- Best (%)
Complete	100.00	1.00	781.71	1.96	43.44	2.31	664.76	679.54	2.22
Complete	100.00	0.50	862.13	1.96	43.43	2.30	664.82	678.84	2.11
Complete	100.00	0.25	806.52	1.95	43.52	2.28	664.34	677.81	2.03
Complete	50.00	0.50	812.67	1.91	41.22	2.21	650.55	662.28	1.80
Complete	50.00	0.25	809.76	1.91	41.19	2.19	650.72	661.88	1.71
Complete	25.00	0.50	789.00	1.90	39.56	2.14	641.79	652.04	1.60
Complete	25.00	0.25	789.40	1.90	39.57	2.15	641.42	651.85	1.63
Routing-only	0.00	0.00	725.46	1.83	16.77	1.87	422.64	425.08	0.58

Real Data: Cost Comparison

Table 6: Cost breakdown and KPI for real data instances

_	Emergency		Avg Routing	Avg Overflow	Avg Rte Failure	Avg Collected	Liters per	Liters per Unit
Гуре	Cost	RECM	Cost (CHF)	Cost (CHF)	Cost (CHF)	Volume (L)	Unit Cost	Routing Cost
Complete	100.00	1.00	579.78	99.73	0.03	47,234.59	69.51	81.47
Complete	100.00	0.50	579.46	99.33	0.05	47,225.62	69.57	81.50
Complete	100.00	0.25	577.84	99.93	0.04	47,455.19	70.01	82.13
Complete	50.00	0.50	558.37	103.82	0.09	45,852.89	69.24	82.12
Complete	50.00	0.25	558.47	103.35	0.07	45,949.94	69.42	82.28
Complete	25.00	0.50	548.10	103.83	0.11	44,653.66	68.48	81.47
Complete	25.00	0.25	547.75	104.05	0.06	44,678.38	68.54	81.57
Routing-only	0.00	0.00	425.08	0.00	0.00	25,286.94	59.49	59.49

Real Data: Occurrence of Rare Events

 Table 7: Average number of overflows at various percentiles for real data instances for 10,000 simulations

	Emergency					
Туре	Cost	RFCM	75th perc.	90th perc.	95th perc.	99th perc.
Complete	100.00	1.00	0.98	1.78	2.40	3.58
Complete	100.00	0.50	0.99	1.78	2.39	3.55
Complete	100.00	0.25	0.97	1.80	2.38	3.56
Complete	50.00	0.50	1.28	2.19	2.84	4.16
Complete	50.00	0.25	1.28	2.18	2.83	4.15
Complete	25.00	0.50	1.48	2.46	3.14	4.58
Complete	25.00	0.25	1.51	2.50	3.18	4.61
Routing-only	0.00	0.00	16.97	20.45	22.56	26.70

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 Table 8: Average number of route failures at various percentiles for real data instances for 10,000 simulations

	Emergency					
Туре	Cost	RFCM	75th perc.	90th perc.	95th perc.	99th perc.
Complete	100.00	1.00	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.05
Complete	100.00	0.50	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.07
Complete	100.00	0.25	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.10
Complete	50.00	0.50	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
Complete	50.00	0.25	0.04	0.06	0.07	0.10
Complete	25.00	0.50	0.05	0.07	0.07	0.10
Complete	25.00	0.25	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.09
Routing-only	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.05

Figure 3: Average cost percentiles of container overflows



Figure 4: Container overflow percentiles for routing-only objective



Figure 5: Container overflow percentiles for complete objective, χ =100, RFCM=1



Figure 6: Route failure percentiles for routing-only objective



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