



Developing

Optimising

Saving

Learning



Speakers



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It's a team effort!



Supply chain wide optimization at TNT Express

Organization & Problem

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The express business: A very complex one

Highly volatile
demand



Regulations



Tight service
requirements



Network
reconfigurations



TNT's ambitions

Better
service



Unit cost
reduction



Better & faster
fact-based decision-making



Reduce
CO2 emissions



GO-Program

Optimization
solutions



Communities
of Practice



GO-
Academy



Cumulative savings
from 2008-2011:

€ 207 mln

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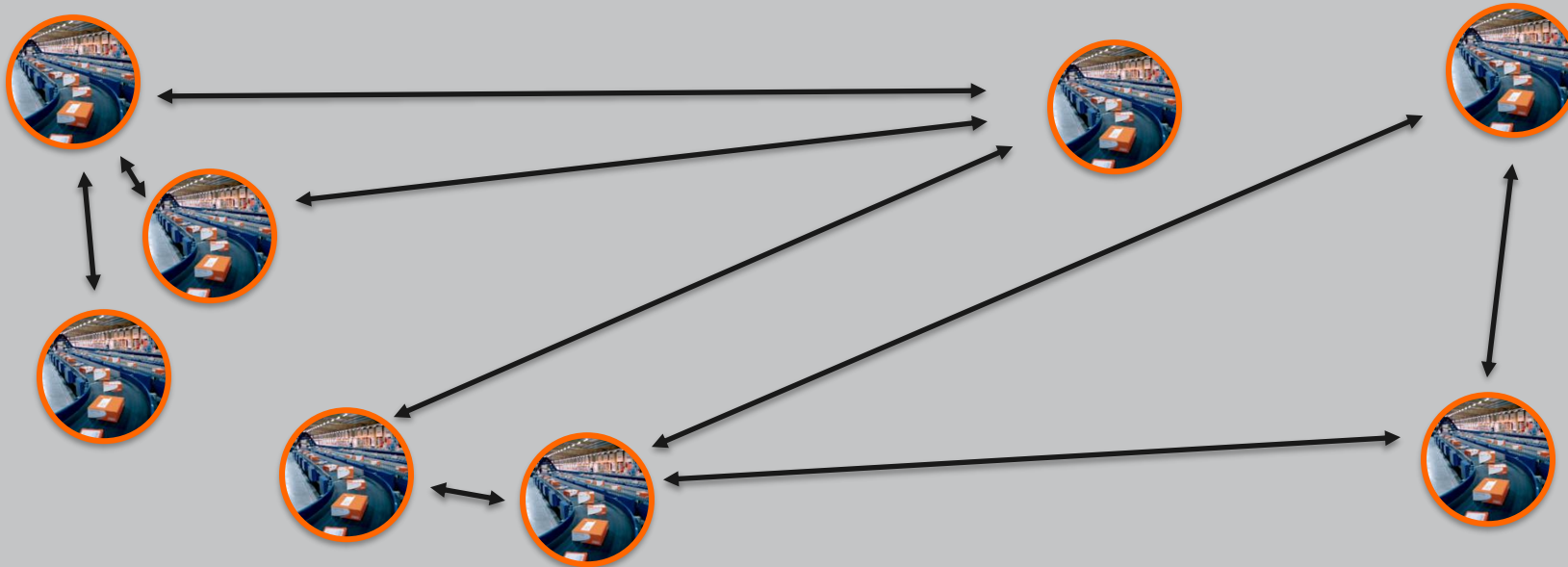
Optimization solutions

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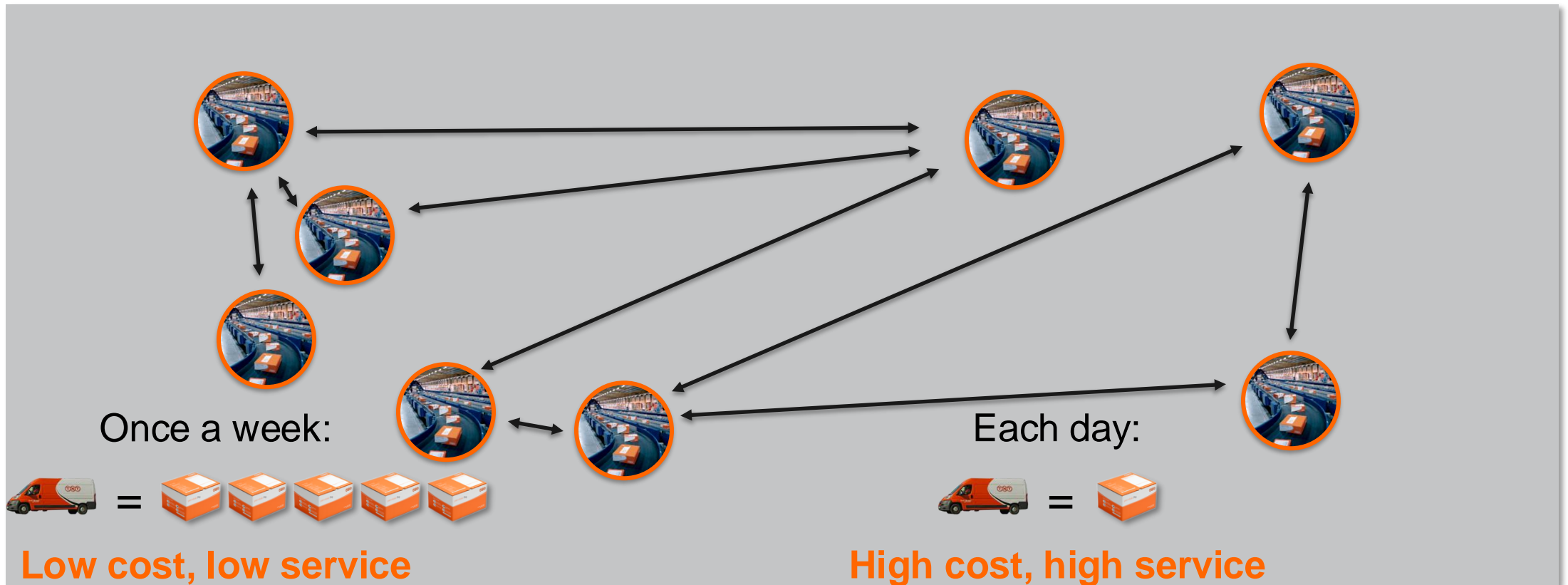
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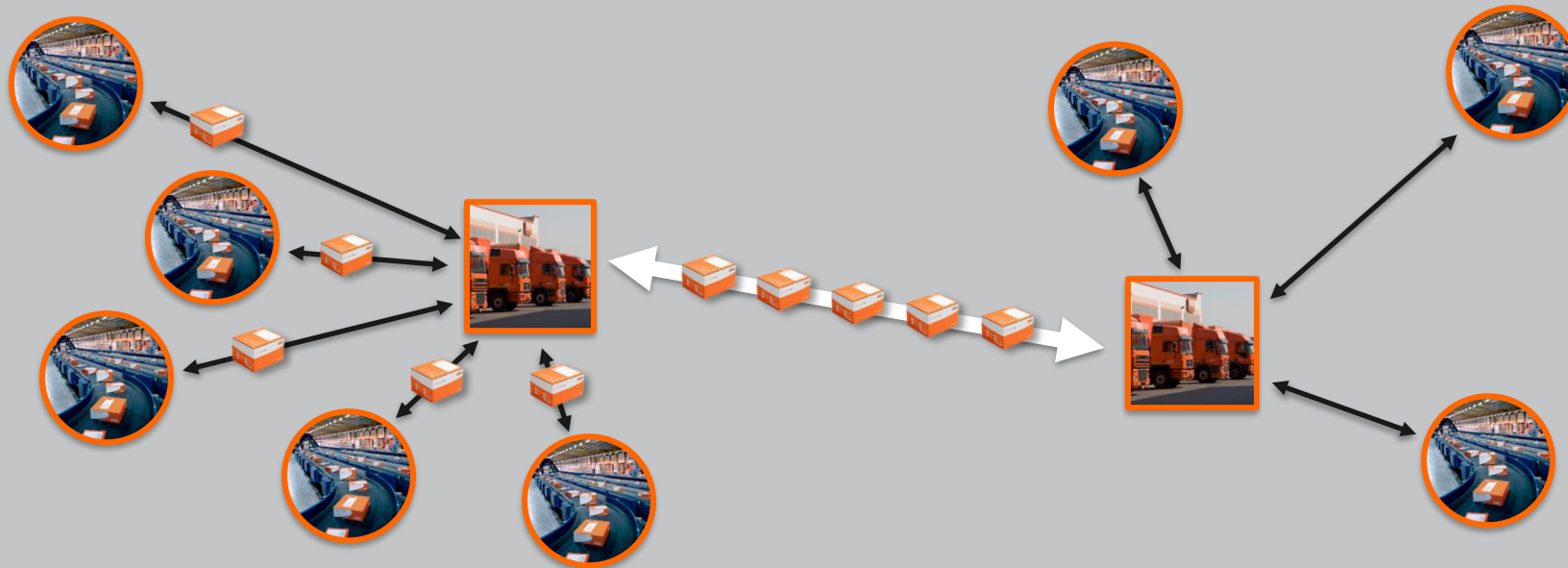
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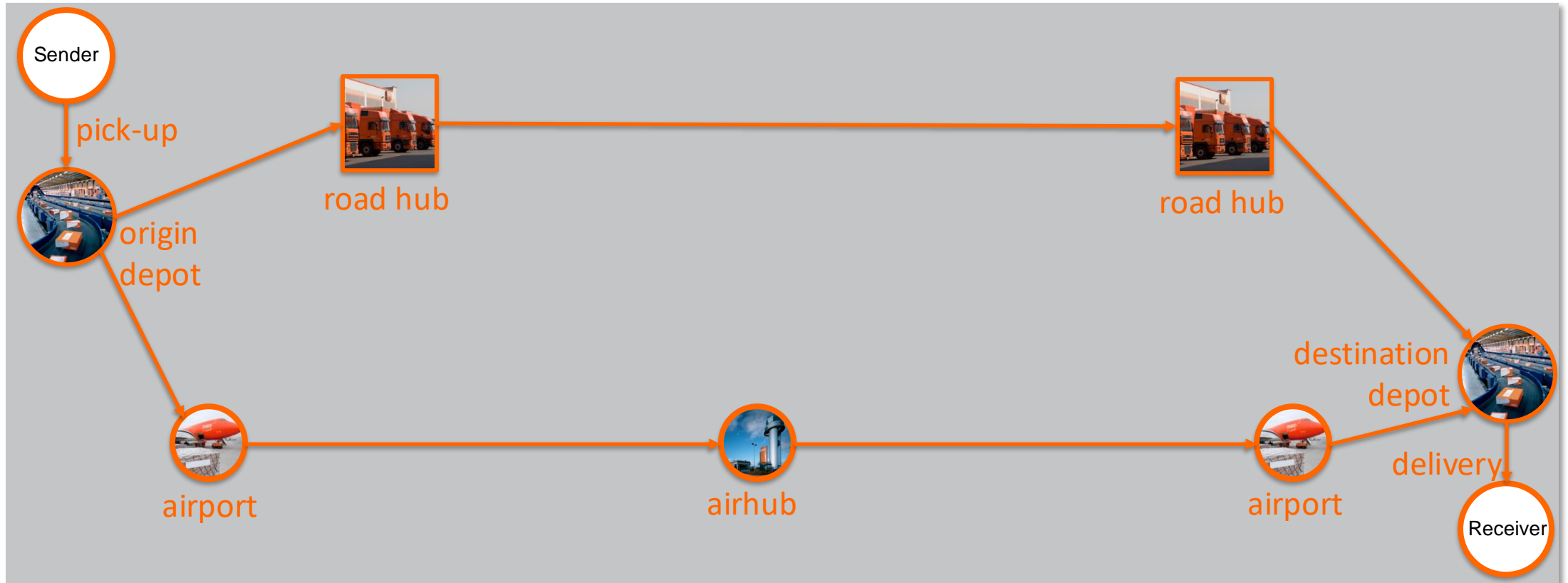


The hub and spoke alternative

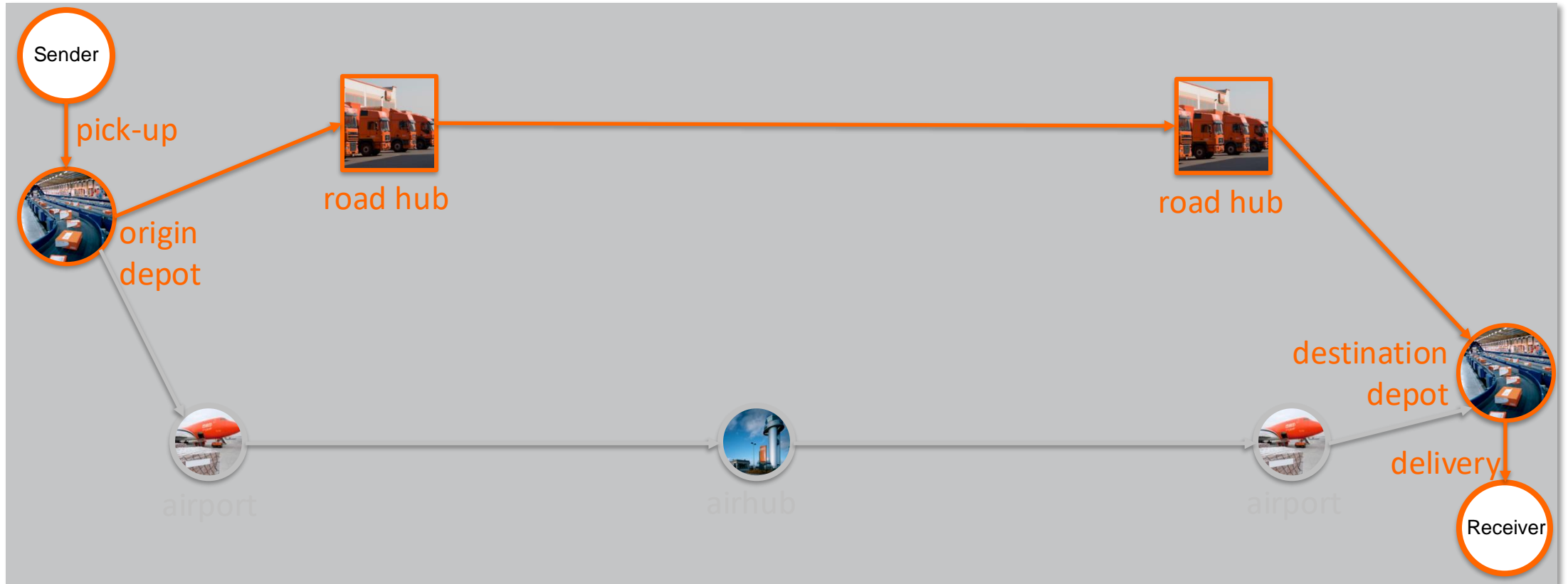


Each day: low cost, high service

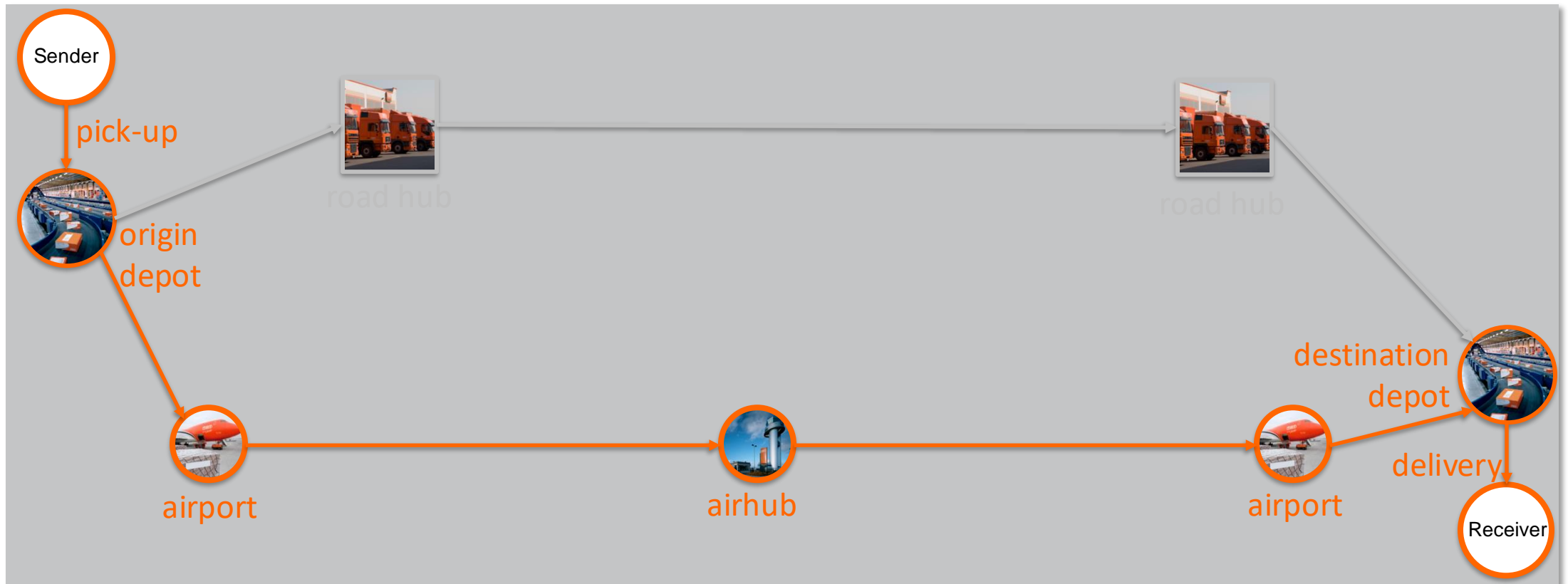
Example network



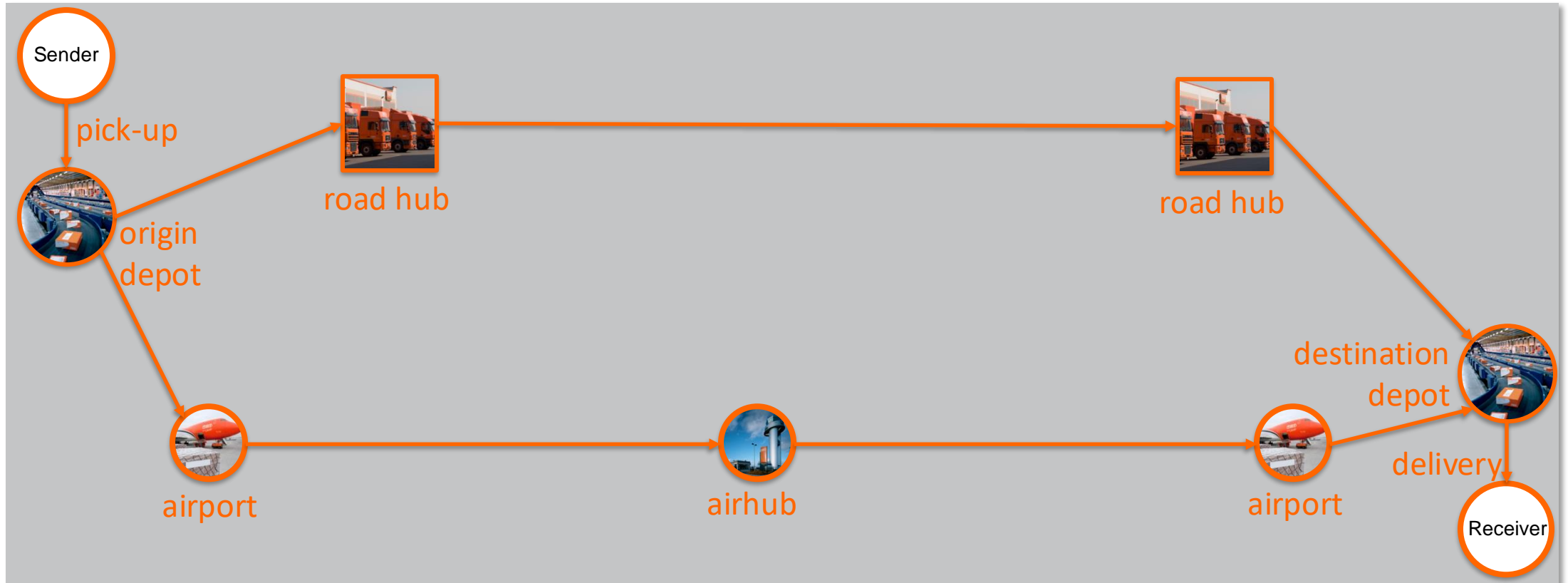
Example road network



Example air network

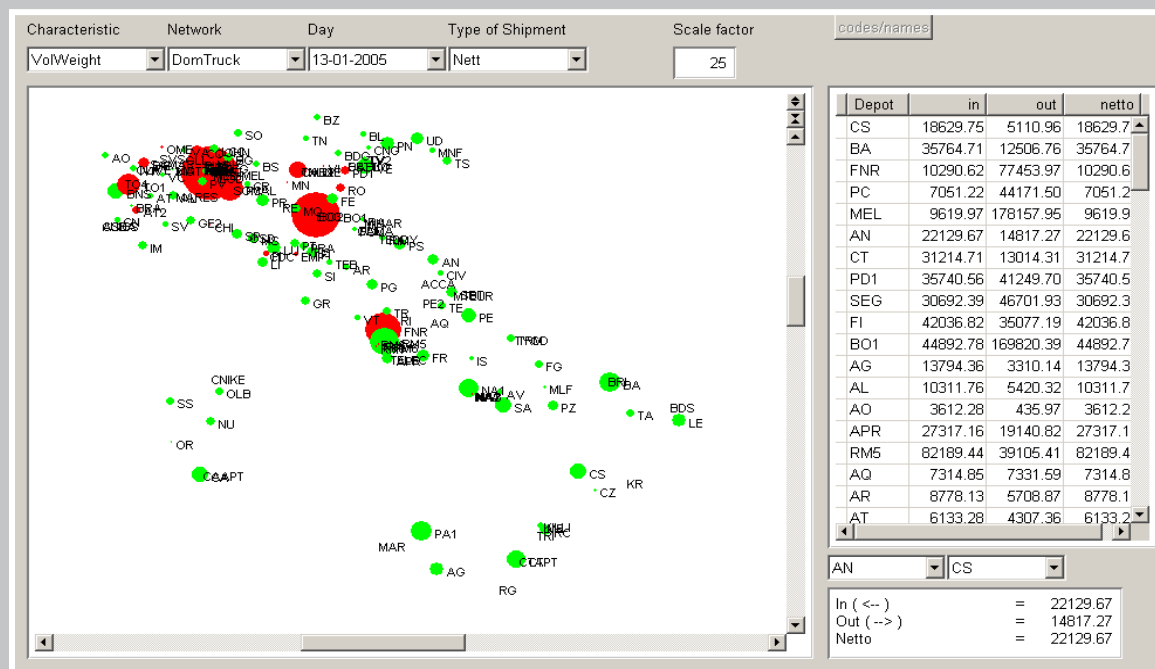


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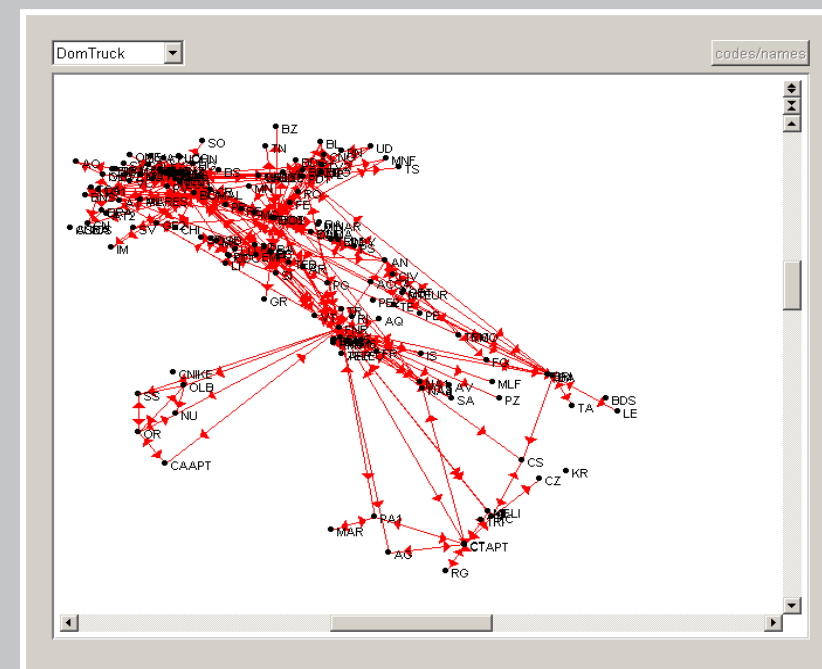


Early TRANS in Italy

Volume information



Italian network

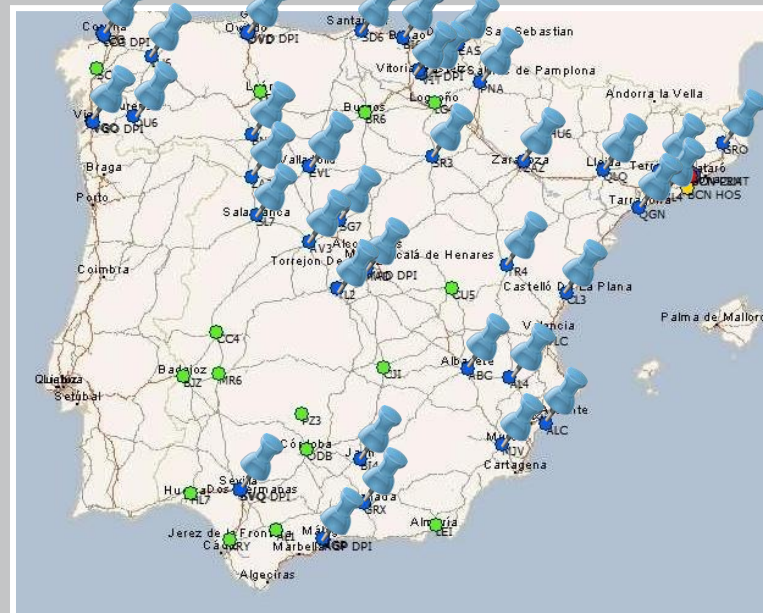




Screenshot Service Capability Analyzer

Old situation from Barcelona



New situation from Barcelona



-  Fastest route takes 1 day
-  Fastest route takes 2 days

The ROUTE module in TRANS

Criteria of ranking routes

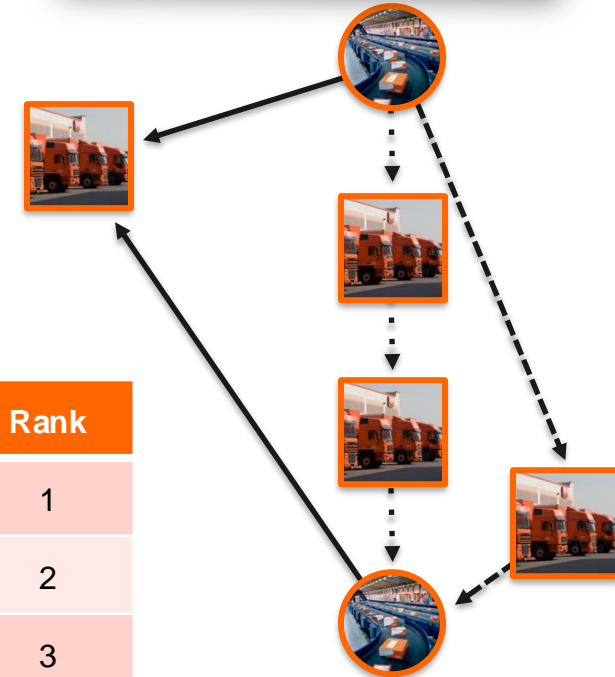
1. Hub touches
2. Arrival time at destination depot
3. Departure time at origin depot

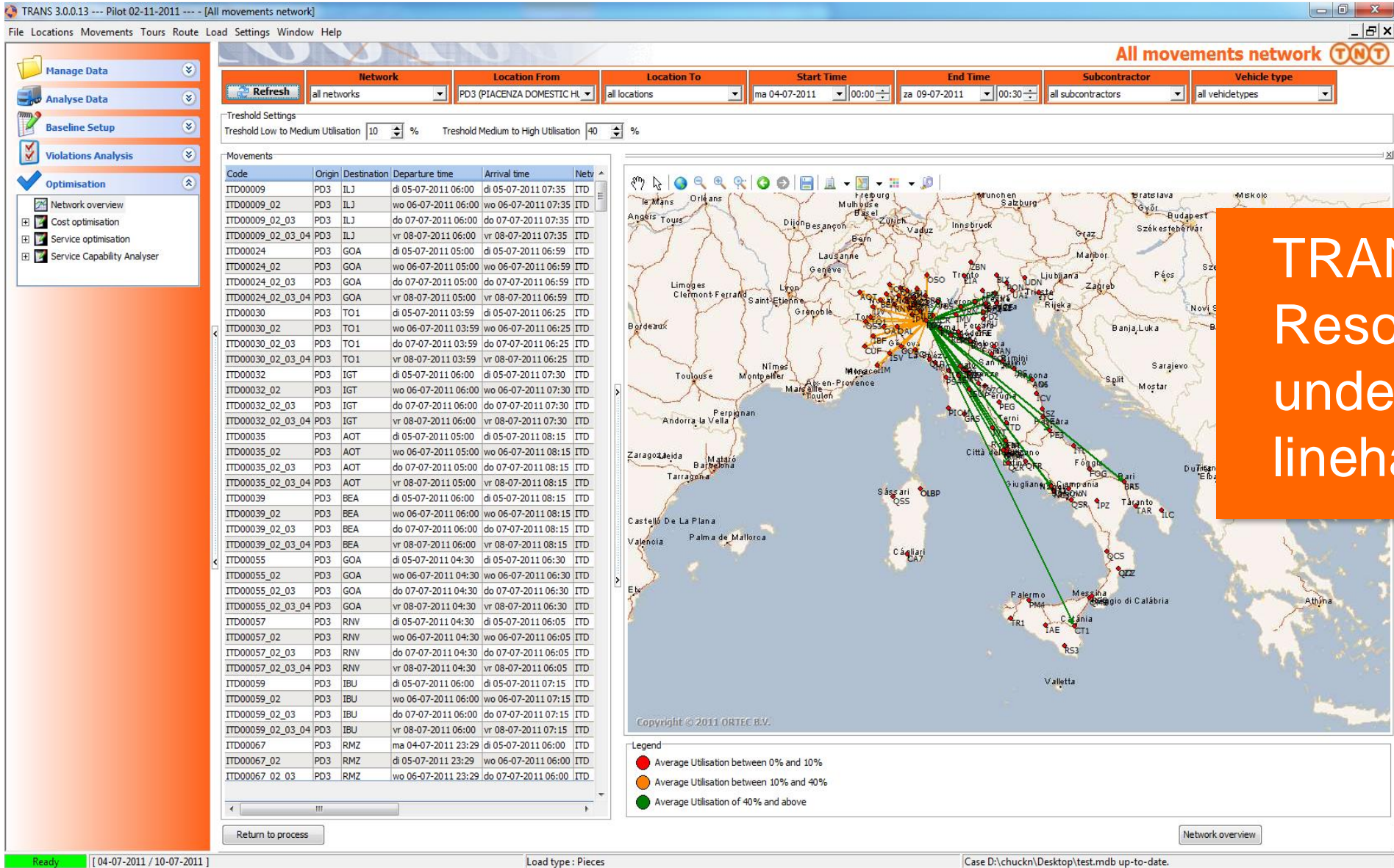
Takes existing
transport
movements

Per origin-
destination small
branch & bound on
feasible routes

Example possible routes from
one origin to one destination

Route	#Hub	Dep.T.	Arr.T.	Rank
————→	1	08:00 pm	06:00 am	1
-----→	1	08:00 pm	07:00 am	2
.....→	2	09:00 pm	08:00 am	3





TRANS:
 Resolving
 under-utilized
 linehauls

Other modules in TRANS

TRANS Modules

Service
Capability
Analyzer

Routing

Tour
Generation

Optimal
Routing

Movement
Heuristic

Shortest
path

Branch &
Bound

Set
Partitioning

MIP*

Heuristic*

* Meuffels, I., Fleuren, H., Cruijssen, F. & Van Dam, E., 2010
Enriching the tactical network design of express carriers with fleet scheduling characteristics
Flexible Services and Manufacturing Journal, 22(1-2), pp. 3-35

Difficulties in TRANS implementation

Data quality

Work groups with IT-department

Adaptors

Extensive data checks on entrance

Functional requirements for so many countries

COPs

Early involvement senior management

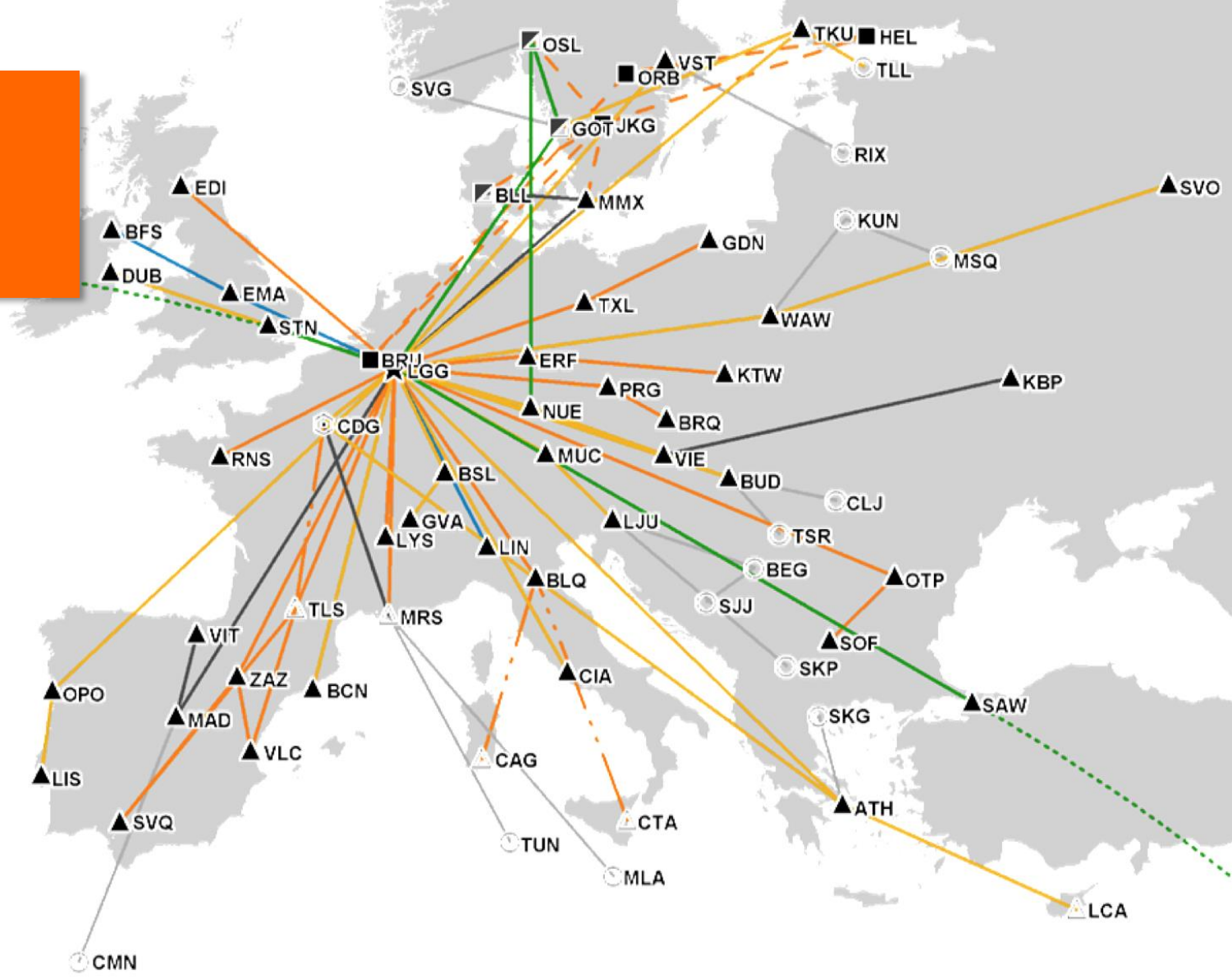
Getting people to use tools

Gradual development

Involvement via COPs

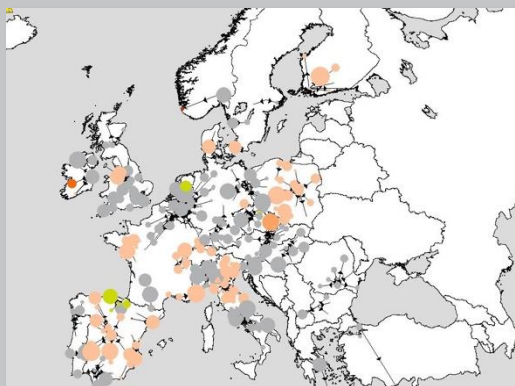
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European Air Network

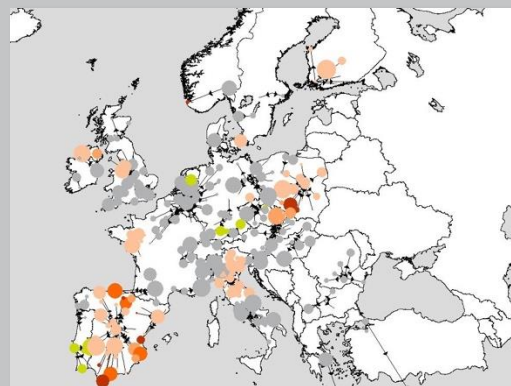


Scenario examples (on randomized data)

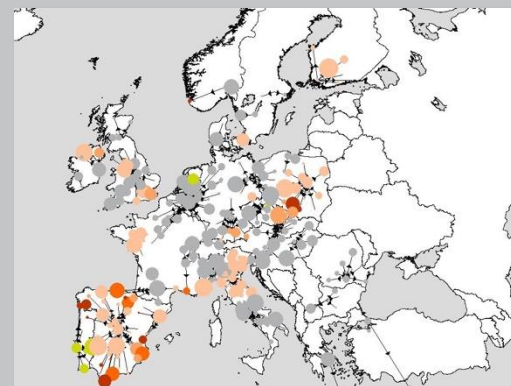
Service impact



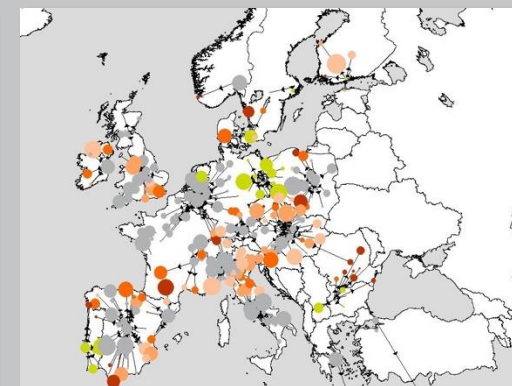
1. Low
Cost 95%



2. Medium
Cost 79%






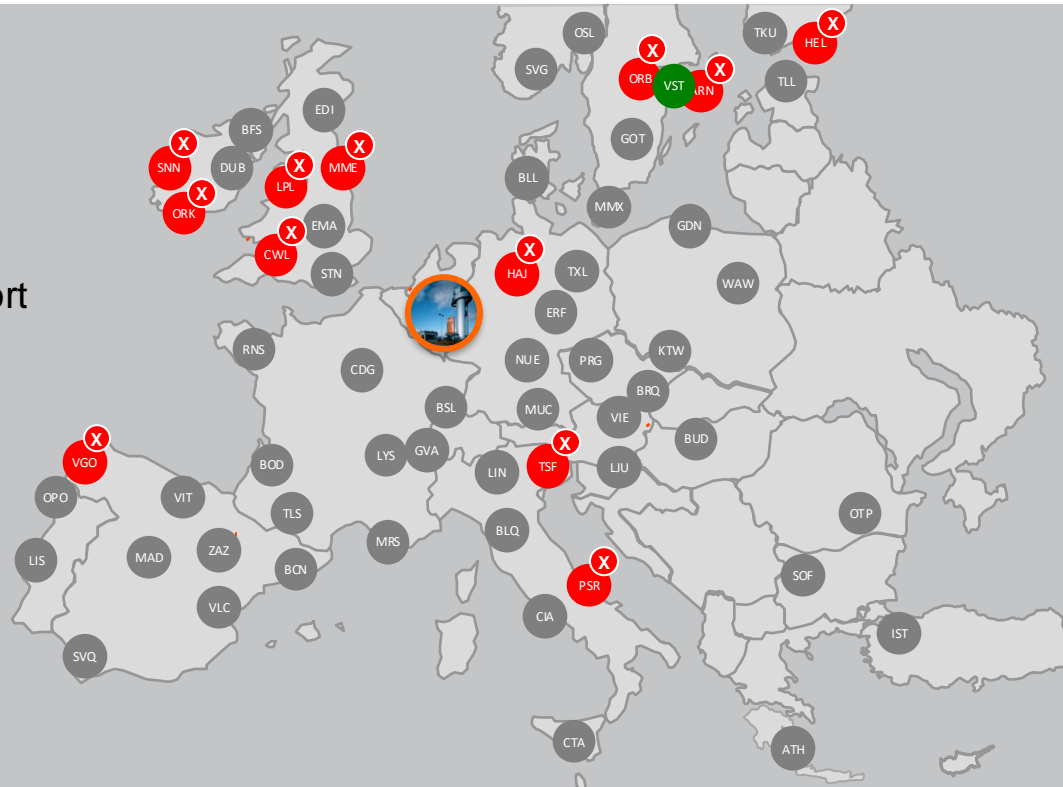
3. High
Cost 72%



4. Extreme
Cost 62%

Final result after management decision

-  Airport closure
-  New airport
-  Unchanged airport



DELTA Supply Chain Model

Integrate relevant supply chain elements in one model to enable strategic decision making

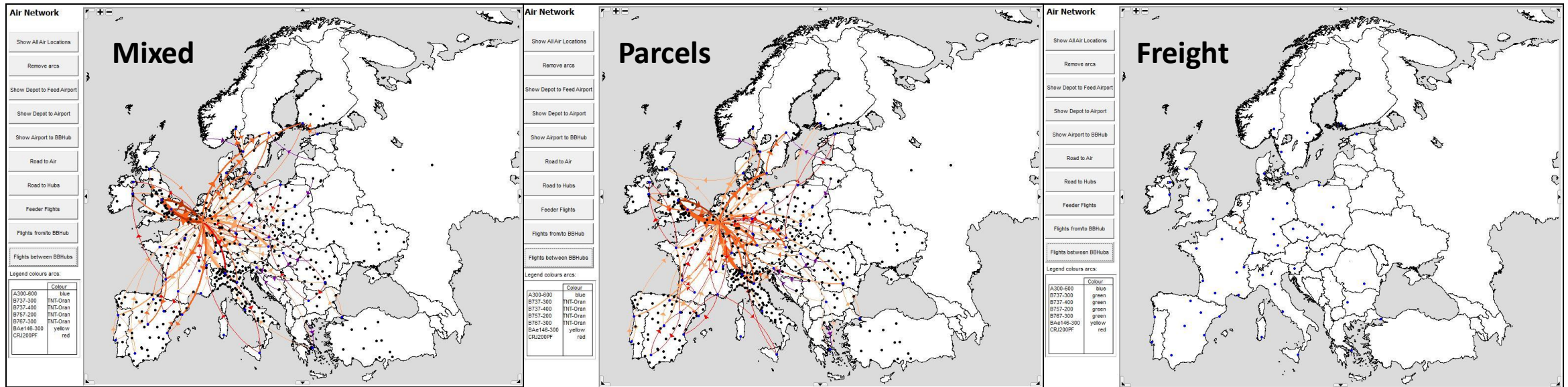
Road network

Air network

Pickup- & delivery
cost

Depot and hub
handling

DELTA SC: Only parcels in air network



DELTA SC has been used to investigate the situation where freight is taken out of the air.
Freight definitions used: >30 kg, or >250 kg

Other DELTA Models

Depot infrastructure
optimization

Hub infrastructure
optimization

Hub and network
optimization

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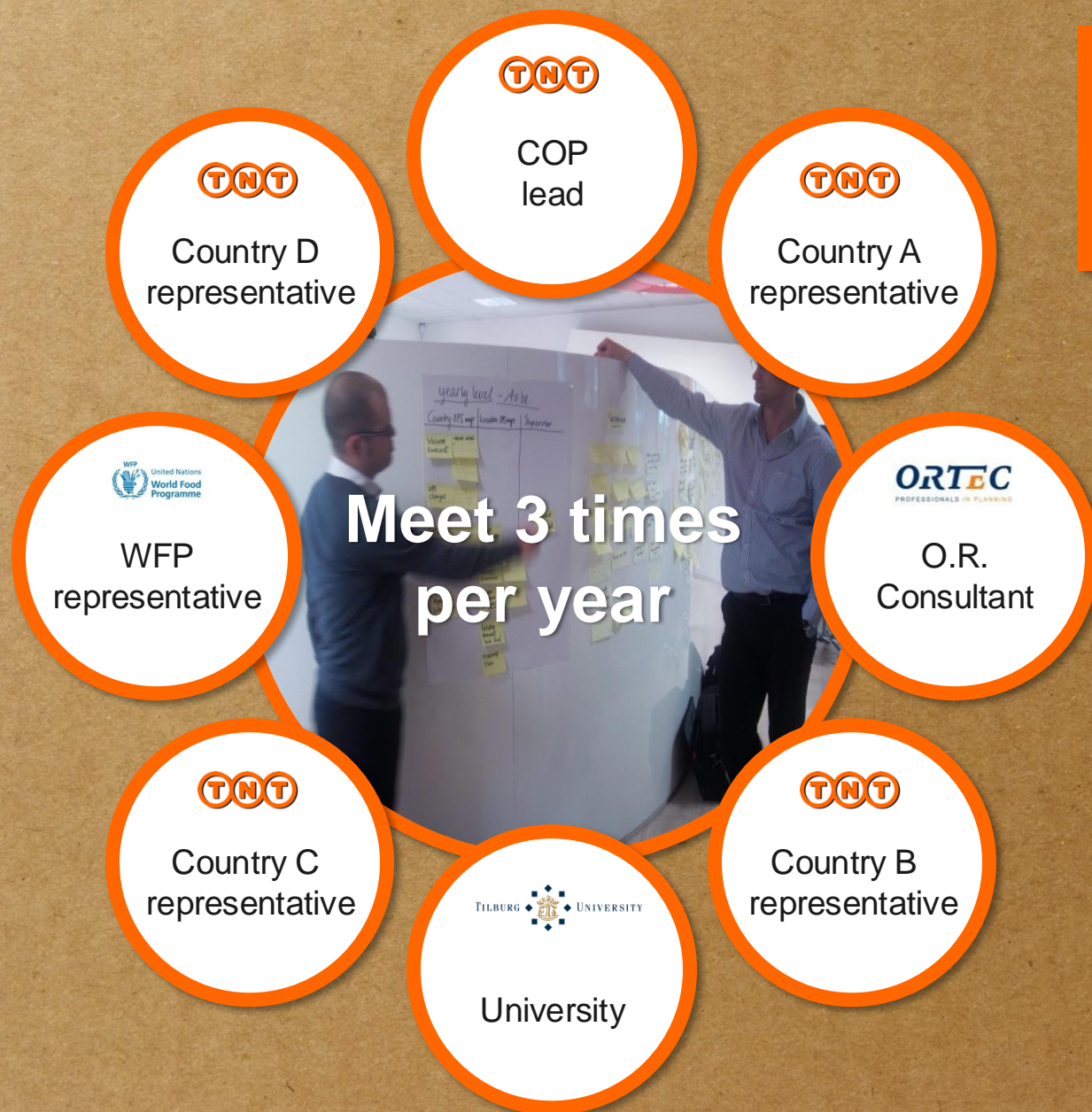
COPs & GO Academy

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Communities of Practice



Development of tools: In COP



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Outline of GO-Academy

6 modules
over a period of
two years

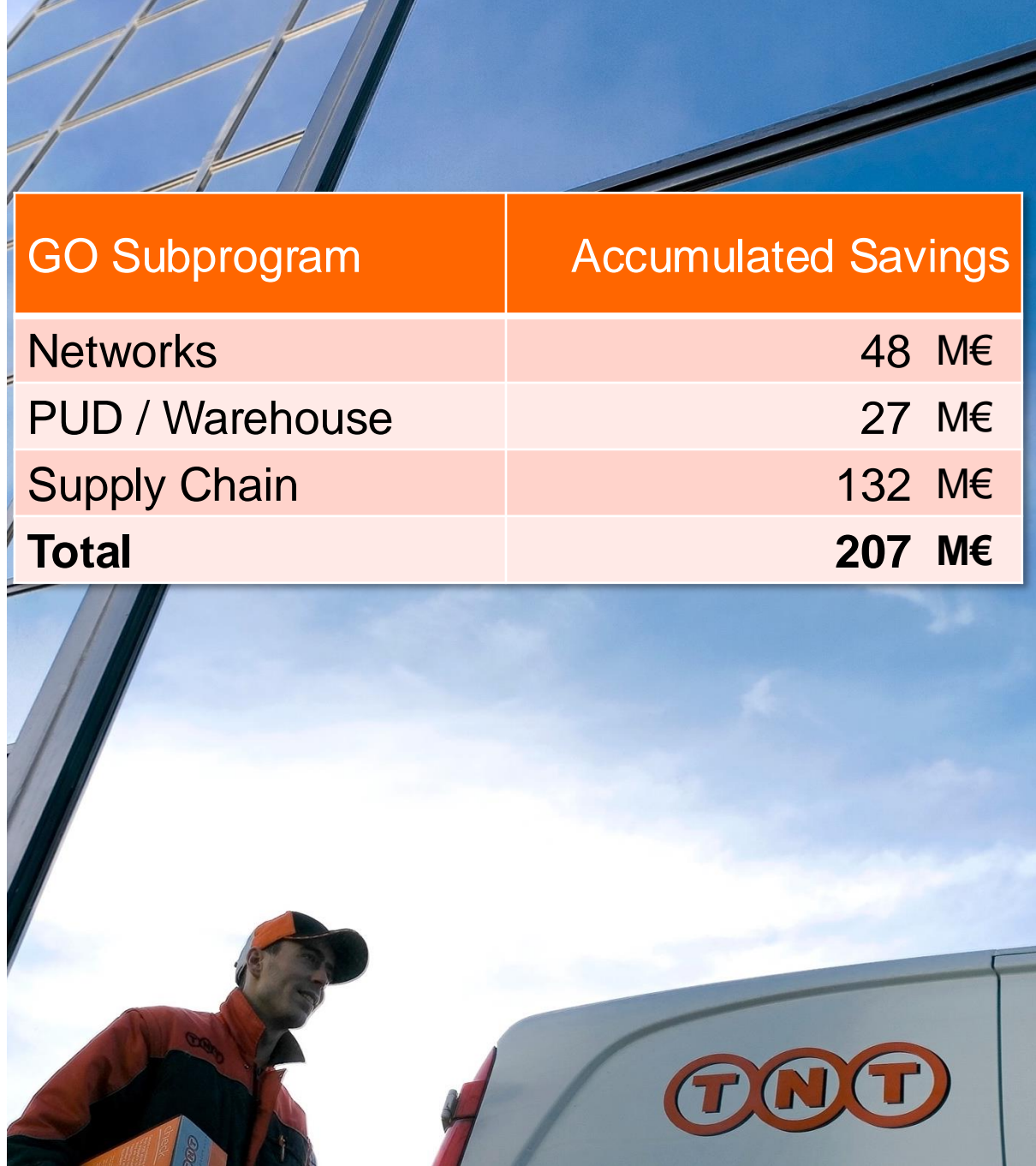
**TIAS Supply
Chain certificate**

Module	Name	Topics
1	Introduction module	Customers and their supply chains
2	Strategic optimization	Infrastructure design (DELTA)
3	Networks & PUD	Planning in Networks and PUD (TRANS & SHORTREC)
4	Hubs & depots	Bottleneck theory, mechanization principles
5	Implementation	Change management techniques
6	Graduation	Presenting for impact, elevator pitches

Benefits of GO-Academy



- 400 people staff and senior management trained
- One 'language' for optimization
- Master cases:
 - Real business cases
 - Defined & sponsored by senior management
 - Deliver significant ROI
- Retention of talented staff
- Improved optimization capability
- Strong Supply Chain Masters network



GO Subprogram	Accumulated Savings
Networks	48 M€
PUD / Warehouse	27 M€
Supply Chain	132 M€
Total	207 M€

CO₂ emission
reduction of 283
Million kg
(1,000 trucks 7 times
around the earth)





Lessons learned--> important for FE-award!!

- Build up trust of users & senior management by successful implementations
- Fact-based analysis might differ from people expectations
- Benefit tracking & changing business environment
- Maturing of decision making

Thank you



TNT
sure *we can*