

## ZÁRÓ SZAKMAI JELENTÉS MECENATÚRA (MEC\_21) pályázat

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1. A külföldi rendezvény megnevezése:

- a. 36<sup>th</sup> Conference of the European Chapter on Combinatorial Optimization (ECCO XXXVI)
- b. Operations Research 2023 (OR 2023)

2. A rendezvény helyszíne és időpontja (város, ország, kezdő és záró dátum):

- a. Chania, Kréta, Görögország, 2023. május 11-14.
- b. Hamburg, Németország, 2023. augusztus 29 - szeptember 1.

3. A rendezvény honlapja:

- a. <https://ecco2023.euro-online.org/>
- b. <https://www.or2023.uni-hamburg.de/>

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a. Tibor Dulai, Daniil Baldouski, Balázs Dávid, György Dósa, Miklós Krész, Zsuzsanna Nagy, Ágnes Werner-Stark: **Design and analysis of vehicle scheduling and routing methods on a port logistics problem from the aspect of environmental impact and cost-efficiency**

b. Tibor Dulai, Daniil Baldouski, Balázs Dávid, György Dósa, Miklós Krész, Zsuzsanna Nagy, Ágnes Werner-Stark: **Framework for multi-objective analysis of port logistic scheduling and routing algorithms**

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Kelt: Veszprém, 2024. január 4.

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1. A két konferencia-részvételem igazolásáról szóló certificate-ek
2. A konferenciákon megtartott prezentációim fóliái



Pályázó kutató aláírása (vagy fokozott biztonságú elektronikus aláírás és időbélyegző)



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## Design and analysis of vehicle scheduling and routing methods on a port logistics problem from the aspect of environmental impact and cost-efficiency

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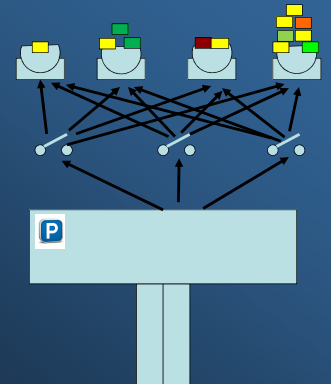
## The structure of the port

Component's name

Component's capacity for trucks

Docks  
Gates  
Parking lot  
Road

1  
 $c_{i,j}$   
1  
 $c_i$   
C  
 $\infty$

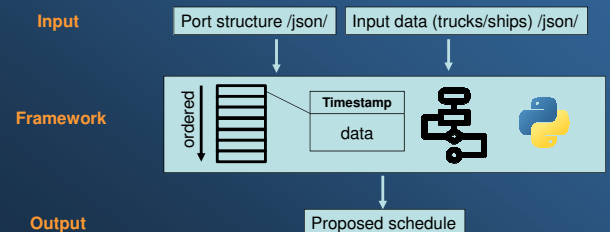


## The customizable parameters of the port structure

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## Operation of the simulation framework The Road (before the parking lot)

### Constraints:

- works in FIFO manner
- capacity:  $\infty$
- no overtake

### Criteria for continuation: -

Event: Arrival of a truck

Event handling:

Is there at least one free place on a road from the parking lot to a gate that can lead to the target gate?

Is there at least one free place in the parking lot?

Park in the parking lot

ENTER the road to a gate\*

Stand into the queue on the Road

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## Operation of the simulation framework The Road (before the parking lot)

ENTER the road to a gate\*

Decision point: to which Gate to direct the truck?

Applied algorithms:

1. Choose the gate that results in **minimal overall cost** for the truck
2. Choose an appropriate gate **randomly**



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## Operation of the simulation framework The Gate

### Constraint:

- capacity: 1

### Criteria for continuation:

the gate is free

Event: Arrival of a truck at a gate

Event handling:

Is the gate free?

The truck enters the gate; +1 free place becomes available on the route from the parking lot to the gate

One truck can leave the parking lot\*\*

One truck can enter the parking lot from the Road

The „truck arrival at a gate“ event is postponed till just after the next event

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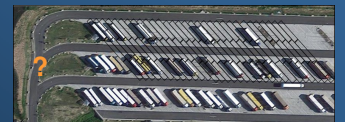
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One truck can leave the parking lot\*\*

Decision point: which truck to choose to leave the parking lot?

Applied algorithms:

1. Select a truck from the parking lot – amongst the vehicles that have every condition fulfilled to start to their destination - **randomly**.
2. Choose the truck **with the closest deadline** from from the parking lot – amongst the vehicles that have every condition fulfilled to start to their destination
3. Select the truck **with minimal overall cost for the truck** from from the parking lot – amongst the vehicles that have every condition fulfilled to start to their destination



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## Operation of the simulation framework Route from gate to dock

### Constraints:

- capacity:  $c_j$
- works in FIFO manner

### Criteria for continuation:

there is at least 1 place on the route to the targeted dock

Event: A truck enters the route from the gate to the desired dock

Event handling:

Is there free place on the route to the dock?

The truck enters the route

One truck can enter the gate (if it previously reached that)

One truck can leave the parking lot\*\*

One truck can enter the parking lot from the Road

The „truck enters the route to the dock“ event is postponed till just after the next event

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## Operation of the simulation framework The Dock - arrival

### Constraint:

- capacity: 1

### Criteria for continuation:

- the dock is free  
- there is place for at least 1 container

Event: Arrival of a truck at a dock

Event handling:

Is the dock free with at least one free place for container?

The truck enters the dock

One truck can enter the route to the dock

One truck can enter the gate (if it previously reached that)

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One truck can enter the parking lot from the Road

The „truck arrival at the dock“ event is postponed till just after the next event

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## Operation of the simulation framework The Dock - unload

### Constraints:

- Capacity for truck: 1
- Capacity for container:  $c^{\text{container}}$

Event: Truck unloaded at the dock

### Event handling:

The truck „disappears” from the system

One truck can enter the dock

One truck can enter the route to the dock

One truck can enter the gate  
(if it previously reached that)

One truck can leave the parking lot\*\*

One truck can enter the parking lot from  
the Road



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## Operation of the simulation framework The Ship-related part

### Constraints:

- Capacity for ships: 1
- Capacity for container:  $c^{\text{container}}$

Event: A ship arrives at the port

### Event handling:

Is there 0 ship in the dock AND  
is there at least one container  
for the ship?

The ship enters the dock

The „ship arrival at the dock” event  
is postponed till just after the next  
event  
(the ship waits for its dock)



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## The structure of the input data 1/2 (related to the trucks / ships)

- number of trucks:  $T$
- number of ships:  $S$
- ID of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck:  $Id_m^T, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- ID of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship:  $Id_n^S, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- Arrival time of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck at the port:  $T_m^A, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Deadline for the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck to leave the port:  $T_m^D, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Arrival time of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship at the port:  $S_n^A, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- Deadline for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship to leave the port:  $S_n^D, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- The ID of the ship for which the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck carries its container:  $ship(Id_m^T)$ , where  $ship(Id_m^T) \in \{Id_n^S, n \in [1, \dots, S]\}, m \in [1, \dots, T], n \in [1, \dots, S]$

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## The structure of the input data 2/2 (related to the trucks / ships)

- Cost of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck for one time unit while stading on the Road:  $C_{\text{queue}}^m$
- Cost of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck for one time unit while using it:  $C_{\text{truckOp}}^m$
- Cost of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship for one time unit while using it:  $C_{\text{shipOp}}^n$
- Penalty of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship for one time unit while using it after its deadline:  $C_{\text{penalty}}^n$
- Transfer time of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck on a gate with type type:  $T_{\text{transfer}}^{m,j}$ , where  $i \in [1, \dots, G], m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Ordered list of dock indices for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship:  $docks_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]$ , and each element of  $docks_n$  is between 1 and  $D$ .

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## Example for an input data (parts) (related to the trucks / ships)

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{
  "numberOfTrucks":100,
  "numberOfShips":20,
  "Trucks": [
    {
      "id":1,
      "arrivalDatetime":"2023-05-08 20:48",
      "shipId":16,
      "queueCost":16,
      "vehicleCost":6,
      "gateTypeTransferTimes": [
        "A":1,
        "B":5
      ],
      "deadline":"2023-05-08 22:49"
    },
    {
      "id":2,
      "arrivalDatetime":"2023-05-07 07:52",
      "shipId":19,
      "queueCost":19,
      "vehicleCost":20,
      "gateTypeTransferTimes": [
        "A":8,
    
```

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## The examined input classes

For all the inputs, the structure of the port and the number of the vehicles were the same:  $G = 3, D = 4, T = 100, S = 20$

The input classes differ in the **time windows** of the trucks and the ships.

### 1<sup>st</sup> input class

Trucks:

Arrival: now + random(0-3 days)

Deadline: arrival + random(1-10 hours)

Ships:

Arrival: now + random(0-3 days)

Deadline: max(last truck's arrival to it; arrival) + 1 hour

2<sup>nd</sup> input class: Extended deadlines: by 3 days

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## The applied algorithm variants

The two decision points:



### 1. To which gate to direct the arrived truck?

- 1.1. to the gate that results in **minimum overall cost** for the truck
- 1.2. to a **random** gate, from which the destination dock can be reached

### 2. Which truck to select from the parking lot to start?

- 2.1. the one with the **closest deadline**
- 2.2. the one with the **minimum overall cost**
- 2.3. select the truck **randomly**



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## Results

Target function: **minimum overall cost** of the trucks/ships 3 x 2 x 2 x 10 runs

Results on input class1 (class2 – ext. deadline)

Truck-selection policy from the parking lot

		Closest deadline	Minimum cost	Random
Gate-selection policy	Minimum cost	- 79 (87)% overall cost related to the worst found on average	- <b>72 (73)% overall cost related to the worst found on average</b>	- 89 (89)% overall cost related to the worst found on average
	Random	- 16 (1)% deadline overrun	- 42 (2)% deadline overrun	- 36 (4)% deadline overrun
	Minimum cost	- 85 (86)% overall cost related to the worst found on average	- 83 (85)% overall cost related to the worst found on average	- 97 (92)% overall cost related to the worst found on average
	Random	- <b>13 (0)% deadline overrun</b>	- 30 (0)% deadline overrun	- 40 (2)% deadline overrun

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## Summary

An event-based simulation framework was developed that can handle customized port structures

2 decision points were identified (gate and truck selection).

3 x 2 approaches were developed for these decision points.

Input data of two input classes were generated.

The behaviour of the different approaches were analyzed on the input by the framework.



### Future plans

- Handling of more decisions (e.g., releasing the FIFO manner)
- Analysis of other input classes
- Multi-objective target function (or switching between the applied algorithms based on the circumstances)

**Thank you for your kind attention!**

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## Framework for multi-objective analysis of port logistic scheduling and routing algorithms

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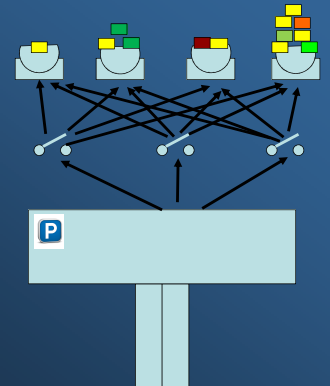
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	$c_i$
Parking lot	C
Road	$\infty$

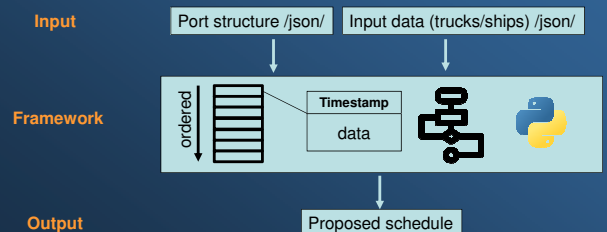


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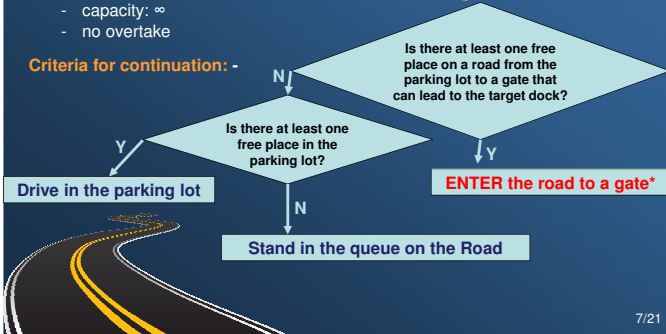
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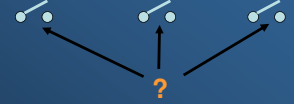
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2. Choose an appropriate gate **randomly**



## Operation of the simulation framework

### The Gate

**Constraint:**

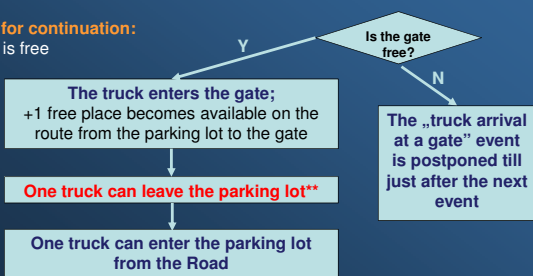
- capacity: 1

**Criteria for continuation:**

the gate is free

**Event:** Arrival of a truck at a gate

**Event handling:**



## Operation of the simulation framework

### The Gate

**One truck can leave the parking lot\*\***

**Decision point:** which truck to choose to leave the parking lot?

**Proposed algorithms:**

1. Select a truck from the parking lot – amongst the vehicles that have every condition fulfilled to start to their destination - **randomly**.
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## Operation of the simulation framework

### Route from gate to dock

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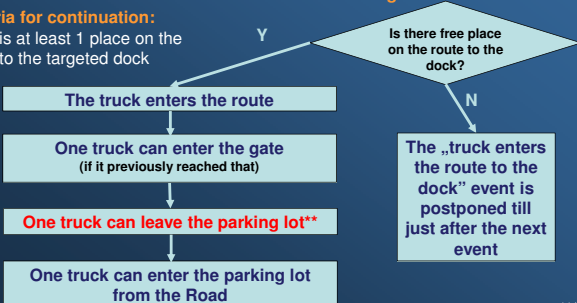
- capacity:  $c_j$
- works in FIFO manner

**Criteria for continuation:**

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**Event:** A truck enters the route from the gate to the desired dock

**Event handling:**



## Operation of the simulation framework

### The Dock - arrival

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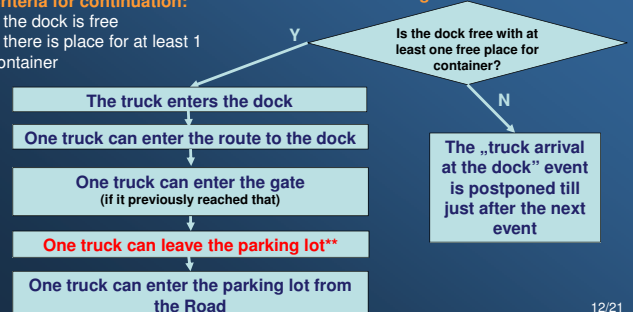
- capacity: 1

**Criteria for continuation:**

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- there is place for at least 1 container

**Event:** Arrival of a truck at a dock

**Event handling:**



## Operation of the simulation framework The Dock - unload

### Constraints:

- Capacity for truck: 1
- Capacity for container:  $c^{\text{container}}$

Event: Truck unloaded at the dock

### Event handling:

The truck „disappears” from the system

One truck can enter the dock

One truck can enter the route to the dock

One truck can enter the gate  
(if it previously reached that)

One truck can leave the parking lot\*\*

One truck can enter the parking lot from  
the Road



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## Operation of the simulation framework The vessel-related part

### Constraints:

- Capacity for vessels: 1
- Capacity for container:  $c^{\text{container}}$

Event: A vessel arrives at the port

### Event handling:

Is there 0 ship in the dock AND  
is there at least one container  
for the vessel?

Y

The vessel enters the dock

N

The „vessel arrival at the dock”  
event is postponed till just after the  
next event  
(the vessel waits for its dock)



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## The structure of the input data 1/2 (related to the trucks / vessels)

- number of trucks:  $T$
- number of ships:  $S$
- ID of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck:  $id^T_m, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- ID of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship:  $id^S_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- Arrival time of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck at the port:  $T^A_m, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Deadline for the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck to leave the port:  $T^D_m, m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Arrival time of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship at the port:  $S^A_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- Deadline for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship to leave the port:  $S^D_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]$
- The ID of the ship for which the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck carries its container:  $ship(id^T_m)$ , where  $ship(id^T_m) \in \{id^S_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]\}, m \in [1, \dots, T], n \in [1, \dots, S]$

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## The structure of the input data 2/2 (related to the trucks / vessels)

- Cost of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck for one time unit while stading on the Road:  $C^{\text{queue}}_m$
- Cost of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck for one time unit while using it:  $C^{\text{truckOp}}_m$
- Cost of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship for one time unit while using it:  $C^{\text{shipOp}}_n$
- Penalty of the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship for one time unit while using it after its deadline:  $C^{\text{penalty}}_n$
- Transfer time of the  $m^{\text{th}}$  truck on a gate with type type:  $T^{\text{transfer}}_{m,j}$ , where  $i \in [1, \dots, G], m \in [1, \dots, T]$
- Ordered list of dock indices for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  ship:  $docks_n, n \in [1, \dots, S]$ , and each element of  $docks_n$  is between 1 and D.

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## Example for an input data (parts) (related to the trucks / vessels)

```

{
  "numberOfTrucks":100,
  "numberOfShips":20,
  "Trucks": [
    {
      "id":1,
      "arrivalDatetime":"2023-05-08 20:48",
      "shipId":16,
      "queueCost":16,
      "vehicleCost":6,
      "gateTypeTransferTimes": [
        "A":1,
        "B":5
      ],
      "deadline":"2023-05-08 22:49"
    },
    {
      "id":2,
      "arrivalDatetime":"2023-05-07 07:52",
      "shipId":19,
      "queueCost":19,
      "vehicleCost":20,
      "gateTypeTransferTimes": [
        "A":8,
    
```

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## The examined input classes

For all the inputs, the structure of the port was identical:  $G = 3, D = 4$

### Randomly generated temporal data:

#### Trucks:

Arrival: now + random offset (0-3 days)

Deadline: arrival + random offset (1-10 hours)

#### Vessels:

Arrival: now + random offset (0-3 days)

Deadline: max(last truck's arrival to it; arrival) + 1 hour

The input data classes differ in the **number of the trucks and the number of the vessels**:

1<sup>st</sup> input class:  $T = 100, S = 20$

2<sup>nd</sup> input class:  $T = 50, S = 5$

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## The examinations so far

- 5-5 random instances were generated for both input data classes.
- Two algorithms were implemented for the **decision point** „To which gate to direct the truck?“.
- 10 runs were executed for all input data with both algorithms.
- The **makespan** of the results was analyzed.

The number of the input data classes

The number of the algorithms

**5 x 2 x 2 x 10 runs**

The number of runs of the same configuration

The number of the instances for a data class

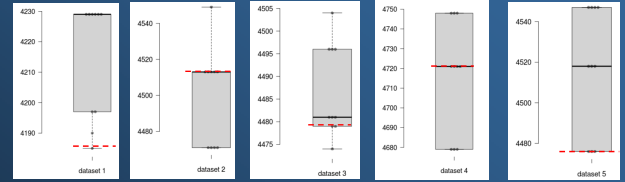
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## Results

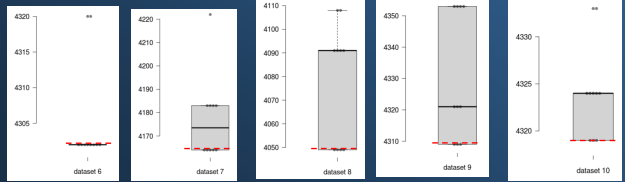
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--- The obtained result when selecting the gate that results in the minimal overall cost.

On the 1. input data class:



On the 2. input data class:



## Summary

An event-based simulation framework was developed that can handle customized port structures

2 decision points were identified (gate and truck selection).

2 algorithms were implemented for the gate selection decision point.

Input data of two input classes were generated.

The behaviour of the different approaches were analyzed on the input by the framework.



### Future plans

- Handling of more decisions (e.g., releasing the FIFO manner)
- Implementation of more algorithms and make comparison between them
- Analysis of other input classes
- Multi-objective target function (or switching between the applied algorithms based on the circumstances)

**Thank you for your kind attention!**

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