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The Time-Dependent Pollution-Routing Problem (TDPRP) consists of routing a fleet of vehicles in order to serve a set of customers and determining the speeds on each leg of the routes. The cost function includes fuel, emission and driver costs, taking into account traffic congestion which, at peak periods, significantly restricts vehicle speeds and increases emissions. We describe an integer linear programming formulation of the TDPRP and provide illustrative examples to motivate the problem and give insights about the tradeoffs it involves. We also provide an analytical characterization of the optimal solutions for a single-arc version of the problem, identifying conditions under which it is optimal to wait idly at certain locations in order to avoid congestion and to reduce the cost of emissions. Building on these analytical results we describe a departure time and speed optimization algorithm on a fixed route. Finally, using benchmark instances, we present results on the computational performance of the proposed formulation and on the speed optimization procedure.

*Key words:* vehicle routing, fuel consumption; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions; congestion; integer programming

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## 1. Introduction

Traffic congestion occurs when the capacity of a particular transportation link is insufficient to accommodate an incoming flow at a particular point in time. Congestion has a number of adverse consequences, including longer travel times and variations in trip duration which result in decreased transport reliability, increased fuel consumption and more greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. It is known that CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are proportional to fuel consumption and depend on vehicle speed. Heavy congestion results in low speeds with fluctuations, often accompanied by frequent acceleration and deceleration, and greatly contributes to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (Barth and Boriboonsomsin, 2008). According to the International Road Transport Union (IRU), around 100 billion liters of wasted fuel, or 250 billion tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>, were attributed to traffic congestion in the United States in 2004 (IRU, 2012). Noise is another externality resulting from congestion. In particular, noise from a vehicle's power unit comprising the engine, air intake and exhaust becomes dominant at low

speeds of 15–20 mph and at high acceleration rates of  $2 \text{ m/s}^2$ , as reported by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (2004). Congestion is at its highest during rush hour, which typically lasts from 6am or 7am to 9am or 10am in the morning, although this varies from one city to another, e.g., 6am–9am in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne, and 4am–9am in New York City (Wikipedia, 2012).

Our aim is to study the effect of congestion and GHG emissions within the context of the Vehicle Routing Problem (VRP), defined as the problem of routing a fleet of vehicles to serve a set of customers subject to various constraints, such as vehicle capacities (see e.g., Cordeau et al., 2007). Previous VRP research assumes constant vehicle speed, which is not realistic for most practical applications. Van Woensel et al. (2001) show that solving the VRP under this assumption can lead to deviations of up to 20% in  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions for gasoline vehicles on an average day and up to 40% in congested traffic. Indeed, vehicle speed varies throughout the day (Van Woensel et al., 2008), which affects fuel consumption and  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions. Maden et al. (2010) present an approach for the time-dependent vehicle routing problem which allows for the planning of more reliable routes and schedules. It is based on a tabu search algorithm, which minimizes the total travel time and reduces emissions by avoiding congestion. The authors have applied this algorithm to a real-life case study and have obtained reductions of about 7% in  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions.

Accounting for emissions in the context of the VRP is relatively new. For a general introduction to the topic we refer the reader to Sbihi and Eglese (2007). Figliozzi (2010) presents the emission minimizing VRP (EVRP), a variant of the time-dependent VRP (TDVRP) with time windows, which takes into account congestion so as to minimize speed-dependent  $\text{CO}_2$  emissions, using a function described by Hickman et al. (1999). The EVRP is modeled on a partition of the working time, and a set of speeds on each arc  $(i, j)$  of the network is defined as a function of the departure time from node  $i$ . A model for the EVRP described by Figliozzi (2010) uses route and departure times as decision variables, but the model also optimizes speeds as a consequence of the objective function. Conrad and Figliozzi (2010) and Figliozzi (2011) present results related to a variant of the EVRP on a case study in Portland, Oregon, where scenarios with and without congestion are considered. These papers focus on finding approximate, rather than optimal, solutions to the problems, and hence heuristic algorithms are used to generate solutions. Jabali et al. (2012) take a similar approach by using the same emissions function in a formulation of the time-dependent VRP (without time windows), with speed as an additional decision variable. Travel times are modeled by partitioning the planning horizon into two parts, where one part corresponds to a peak period in which there is congestion and the vehicle speed is fixed, whereas the other part assumes free-flow speeds which can be optimized. Jabali et al. (2012) describe a tabu search heuristic for this problem.

Another contribution along these lines is due to Bektaş and Laporte (2011) who present the Pollution-Routing Problem (PRP) as an extension of the classical Vehicle Routing Problem with Time Windows (VRPTW). The PRP consists of routing a number of vehicles to serve a set of customers within preset time windows, and determining their speed on each route segment, so as to minimize a function comprising fuel, emission and driver costs. The emission function used within the PRP is based on a comprehensive emissions model for heavy-duty vehicles described by Barth et al. (2005), and differs from previous work in that it allows to optimize *both* load and speed. The PRP formulation described by Bektaş and Laporte (2011) considers only free-flow speeds of 40 km/h or higher. Demir et al. (2012) extend the PRP formulation to take into account lower speeds, but without looking at congestion *per se*, and describe a heuristic that can solve large-size instances.

A common assumption in the VRPTW is to allow arrival at a customer location before the opening of the time window, but service can only start within the time window. None of the work mentioned above has allowed for idle waiting after service completion as a strategy to avoid congestion. In this paper we incorporate, for the first time, congestion into the PRP framework so as to adequately account for the adverse effects of low speeds caused by congestion, and we make use of the “idle waiting” strategy.

In this paper we introduce the Time-Dependent Pollution-Routing Problem (TDPRP), which extends the PRP by explicitly taking into account traffic congestion, and we describe an integer linear programming formulation of the TDPRP which computationally improves upon the PRP formulation. We also provide an analytical characterization of the optimal solutions for a single-arc version of the problem and we describe a procedure for optimizing departure times and speeds when the route is fixed. Finally we report computational experiments with the integer programming formulation and the speed optimization procedure on benchmark instances.

The contribution of this paper is multi-fold and can be stated as follows: (i) we break away from the literature on congestion-aware VRP by using a comprehensive emissions function which includes factors such as load and speed, (ii) we identify conditions under which it is optimal to wait idly at certain locations to avoid congestion, (iii) we develop an exact solution approach which also holds for the special case of zero pollution costs. In other words, all results derived in this paper also apply to the problem of optimizing vehicle speeds and departure times in contexts characterized by driver costs, time windows and traffic congestion only.

The remainder of the paper is structured as follows. The next section presents a formal description of the TDPRP and our general modeling framework. Section 3 provides illustrative examples to motivate the problem. Section 4 describes an integer linear programming formulation of the TDPRP. A complete analytical characterization of the optimal solutions for a single-arc version of

the problem is provided in Section 5. In Section 6, we describe a procedure to optimize departure times and speeds on a fixed route. Computational results obtained on benchmark instances with the proposed TDPRP formulation and the speed optimization procedure are presented in Section 7. Conclusions follow in Section 8.

For the sake of conciseness, all proofs are provided in Appendix C.

## 2. Problem Description

The TDPRP is defined on a complete graph  $G = \{N, A\}$  where  $N$  is the set of nodes, 0 is the depot,  $N_0 = N \setminus \{0\}$  is the set of customers, and  $A$  is the set of arcs between every pair of nodes. The distance between two nodes  $i \neq j \in N$  is denoted by  $d_{ij}$ . A homogeneous fleet of  $K$  vehicles, each with a capacity limit of  $Q$  units, is available to serve all customers, where each customer  $i \in N_0$  has a non-negative demand  $q_i$ . To each customer  $i \in N_0$ , corresponds a service time  $h_i$  and a hard time window  $[l_i, u_i]$  in which service must start. In particular, if a vehicle arrives at node  $i$  before  $l_i$ , it waits until time  $l_i$  to start service. Without loss of generality we assume that the vehicle can depart from the depot at time zero (we relax this assumption in Sections 5 and 6).

The following sections present the way in which time dependency and congestion are modeled in the TDPRP, and how fuel use rate and GHG emissions are calculated.

### 2.1. Time-dependency

In the PRP (Bektaş and Laporte, 2011), the travel time of a vehicle depends only on distance and speed, and the latter can be chosen freely. In the TDPRP, the speed also depends on the departure time of the vehicle because it is constrained during periods of traffic congestion. Here, we make use of time-dependent travel times and model traffic congestion using a two-level speed function as in Jabali et al. (2009). We assume there is an initial period of congestion, lasting  $a$  units of time, followed by a period of free-flow. This modeling framework is suitable for routing problems which must be executed in the first half of a given day, e.g., starting from a peak-morning period where traffic congestion is expected, and following which it will dissipate. In the peak-period, the vehicle travels at a *congestion speed*  $v_c$  whereas in the period that follows, it is only limited by the speed limit  $v_m$ , meaning that a *free-flow speed*  $v_f \leq v_m$  can be used for travel. For practical reasons we assume that the speed  $v_c$  and the time  $a$  are constants which can be extracted from archived travel data (e.g., Hansen et al., 2005) and that the same values hold between every pair of locations.

To model time-dependency, consider two locations spaced out by a distance of  $d$ . Let  $T(w, v_f)$  denote the travel time of a vehicle between the two locations, that is the time spent by the vehicle

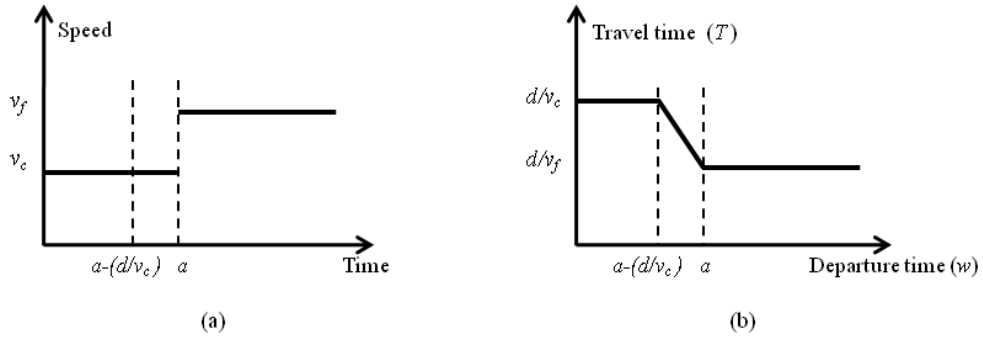
on the road depending on its departure time  $w$  from the first location, and the chosen free-flow speed  $v_f$ . It can be calculated using the following formulation proposed by Jabali et al. (2009):

$$T(w, v_f) = \begin{cases} \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } w \leq \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)^+ \\ \frac{v_f - v_c}{v_f}(a - w) + \frac{d}{v_f} & \text{if } \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)^+ < w < a \\ \frac{d}{v_f} & \text{if } w \geq a. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

The calculation of  $T(w, v_f)$  suggests that the planing horizon can be divided into three consecutive time regions in terms of the departure time  $w$ , as follows:

- The first one  $w \in \left[0, \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)^+\right]$  is called the *all congestion* region: the vehicle leaving the first location within this region makes the entire trip during the congestion period and arrives at the second location after  $d/v_c$  units of time.
- The second one  $w \in \left[\left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)^+, a\right]$ , is called the *transient* region: the vehicle leaving within this region traverses a distance of length  $(a - w)v_c$  at speed  $v_c$  and the remaining distance of length  $d - (a - w)v_c$  at the chosen free-flow speed  $v_f$ .
- The last one  $w \in [a, \infty)$ , is called the *all free-flow* region, in which the vehicle makes the entire trip at the free-flow speed  $v_f$  and completes the journey in  $d/v_f$  units of time.

Figure 1(a) shows the speed of a vehicle as a function of time for  $v_f > v_c$ . Figure 1(b) shows how  $T$  varies with the departure time  $w$  given free-flow speed  $v_f$ .



**Figure 1** Time-dependent speed and travel time profiles.

## 2.2. Modeling Emissions

Our modeling of fuel consumption and emissions follows the same approach as in Bektaş and Laporte (2011). Here we provide a brief exposition for the sake of completeness. Since GHG emissions are directly proportional to the amount of fuel consumed, we use the fuel use rate as a proxy to estimate the total amount of GHG emissions. To calculate fuel consumption, we use the *comprehensive emissions model* of Barth et al. (2005) and Barth and Boriboonsomsin (2008), according

to which the instantaneous fuel use rate, denoted  $FR$  (liter/s), when traveling at a constant speed  $v$  (m/s) with load  $f$  (kg) is estimated as

$$FR = \frac{\xi}{\kappa\psi} \left( kN_e V + \frac{0.5C_d\rho Av^3 + (\mu + f)v(g \sin \phi + gC_r \cos \phi)}{1000\varepsilon\varpi} \right), \quad (2)$$

where  $\xi$  is fuel-to-air mass ratio,  $\kappa$  is the heating value of a typical diesel fuel (kJ/g),  $\psi$  is a conversion factor from grams to liters from (g/s) to (liter/s),  $k$  is the engine friction factor (kJ/rev/liter),  $N_e$  is the engine speed (rev/s),  $V$  is the engine displacement (liter),  $\rho$  is the air density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>),  $A$  is the frontal surface area (m<sup>2</sup>),  $\mu$  is the vehicle curb weight (kg),  $g$  is the gravitational constant (equal to 9.81m/s<sup>2</sup>),  $\phi$  is the road angle,  $C_d$  and  $C_r$  are the coefficient of aerodynamic drag and rolling resistance,  $\varepsilon$  is vehicle drive train efficiency and  $\varpi$  is an efficiency parameter for diesel engines. Using  $\alpha = g \sin \phi + gC_r \cos \phi$ ,  $\beta = 0.5C_dA\rho$ ,  $\gamma = 1/(1000\varepsilon\varpi)$  and  $\lambda = \xi/\kappa\psi$ , (2) can be simplified as

$$FR = \lambda (kN_e V + \gamma(\beta v^3 + \alpha(\mu + f)v)). \quad (3)$$

The total amount of fuel used, denoted  $F$  (liters), for traversing a distance  $d$  (m) at *constant* speed  $v$  (m/s) with load  $f$  (kg) is equal to the fuel rate multiplied by the travel time  $d/v$ :

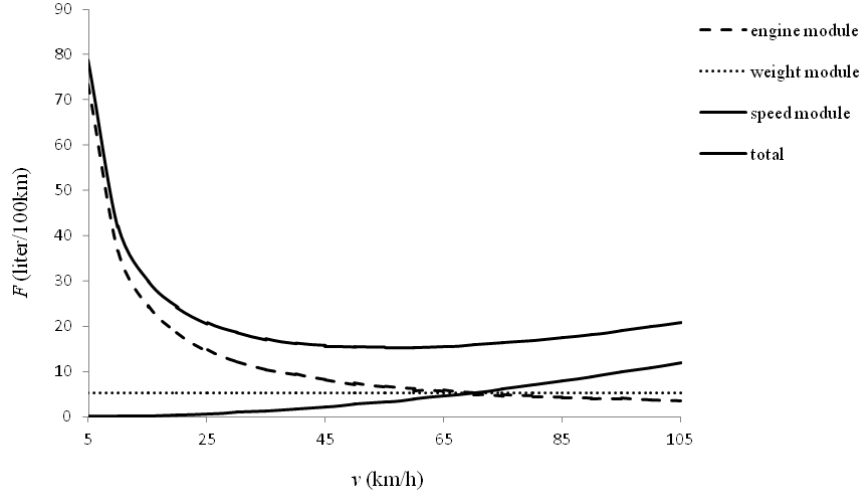
$$F = \lambda \left( kN_e V \frac{d}{v} + \gamma\beta d v^2 + \gamma\alpha(\mu + f)d \right). \quad (4)$$

Expression (4) contains three terms in the parentheses. We refer to the first term, namely  $kN_e V d/v$ , as the *engine module* which is linear in the travel time. The second term,  $\gamma\beta d v^2$ , is called the *speed module*, which is quadratic in the speed. The last term,  $\gamma\alpha(\mu + f)d$ , is the *weight module*, which is independent of travel time and speed. Figure 2 shows the relationship between  $F$  and  $v$  for a vehicle traveling a distance of 100 km. Other parameters used in generating the figure are given in Table 1.

Figure 2 shows a U-shape curve between fuel consumption and speed, which is consistent with the behavior of functions suggested by other authors (e.g., Demir et al., 2011), confirming that low speeds (as in the case of traffic congestion) lead to very high fuel use rate. The figure also shows the engine module as the main driver of this trend, which contributes considerably to the increase in the amount of emissions at low speeds.

To model the emissions in a time-dependent setting, we rewrite the fuel consumption function  $F$  as a function of the departure time  $w$  and the free-flow speed  $v_f$  on a given arc of length  $d$ . If a vehicle traverses the arc in the *all congestion* region, then

$$F(w, v_f) = \lambda [kN_e V T(w, v_f) + \gamma\beta T(w, v_f)(v_c)^3 + \gamma\alpha(\mu + f)d].$$



**Figure 2** Fuel use rate  $F$  as a function of speed  $v$

**Table 1** Setting of vehicle and emission parameters

Notation	Description	Value
$\xi$	fuel-to-air mass ratio	1
$\kappa$	heating value of a typical diesel fuel (kJ/g)	44
$\psi$	conversion factor (g/liter)	737
$k$	engine friction factor (kJ/rev/liter)	0.2
$N_e$	engine speed (rev/s)	33
$V$	engine displacement (liter)	5
$\rho$	air density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.2041
$A$	frontal surface area (m <sup>2</sup> )	3.912
$\mu$	curb-weight (kg)	6350
$g$	gravitational constant (m/s <sup>2</sup> )	9.81
$\phi$	road angle	0
$C_d$	coefficient of aerodynamic drag	0.7
$C_r$	coefficient of rolling resistance	0.01
$\varepsilon$	vehicle drive train efficiency	0.4
$\varpi$	efficiency parameter for diesel engines	0.9
$f_c$	fuel price per liter (£)	1.4
$d_c$	driver wage (£/s)	0.0022

Similarly, in the *all free-flow* region,

$$F(w, v_f) = \lambda [kN_e V T(w, v_f) + \gamma\beta T(w, v_f)(v_f)^3 + \gamma\alpha(\mu + f)d].$$

When a vehicle traverses the arc in the *transient* region, the speed module needs to be split into two terms since the speed changes before and after the end of the congestion period. In this case

$$F(w, v_f) = \lambda [kN_e V T(w, v_f) + \gamma\beta [(a - w)(v_c)^3 + (w + T(w, v_f) - a)(v_f)^3] + \gamma\alpha(\mu + f)d],$$

where  $a - w$  is the time spent in congestion and  $w + T(w, v_f) - a$  is the time spent driving at free-flow speed.

In general, let  $T^c(w) = \min\{(a - w)^+, d/v_c\}$  be the time spent by the vehicle in congestion and  $T^f(w, v_f) = [d - (a - w)^+ v_c]^+ / v_f$  be the time spent driving at the free-flow speed. We have  $T(w, v_f) = T^c(w) + T^f(w, v_f)$  and we can write

$$F(w, v_f) = \lambda k N_e V T(w, v_f) + \lambda \gamma \beta [v_c^3 T^c(w) + v_f^3 T^f(w, v_f)] + \lambda \gamma \alpha (\mu + f) d.$$

### 2.3. Aim of the TDPRP

In the TDPRP, the total travel cost function is composed of the cost of fuel and the driver cost for each arc in the network. Let  $f_c$  denote the fuel price per liter and let  $d_c$  denote the wage rate for the drivers of the vehicles. Because CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are proportional to fuel consumption, minimizing fuel cost amounts to minimizing GHG emissions. In practice, we could modify  $f_c$  to include the cost of GHG emissions. However, there is considerable debate on the price of CO<sub>2</sub> and the method used to estimate it is rather subjective (see the survey paper by Tol, 2005 gathering 103 estimates of the marginal damage costs of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions), so we have decided not to include it in our numerical calculations.

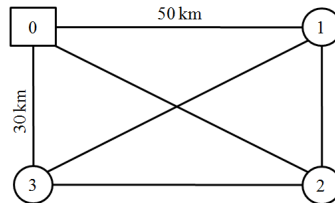
We consider two ways of calculating the total time for which the driver is paid, which we call *driver wage policies*: (i) the driver of each vehicle is paid from the beginning of the time horizon until returning back to the depot, or (ii) the driver is paid only for the time spent away from the depot, i.e., either en-route or at a customer. The difference between policies (i) and (ii) is that the driver is not paid for time spent waiting at the depot under policy (ii); in practice, the driver is asked to report to work later than at the start of the time horizon.

The aim of the TDPRP is to determine a set of routes, starting and ending at the depot, the speeds on each leg of the routes and departure times from each node so as to minimize the total travel cost. We provide an expression for the cost function in Section 4 and one for the special case of a network with only one arc in Section 5.

In the next section we present a number of numerical examples which illustrate the trade-offs involved in this model. In particular, we outline an important feature of the TDPRP, i.e., that it may be optimal to wait at a node, even after the service is completed, in order to reduce the time spent driving in congestion. Similarly, it may also be optimal for the vehicles not to leave the depot at the start of the time horizon. Hence, the driver's time at a customer can be spent (i) waiting for the start of service in the case of an early arrival—we call this the *pre-service* wait, (ii) serving the customer, or (iii) waiting after service is completed and before departing to the next customer or back to the depot—we call this the *post-service* wait.

### 3. Examples

The purpose of this section is twofold. We first investigate the impact of considering traffic congestion on the routing and scheduling planning activities. We then compare the two driver wage policies, namely paying the drivers from the beginning of the time horizon or from their departure time from the depot. In both cases, we analyze a four-node network where node 0 is the depot at which a single vehicle is based, and  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  is the set of customers. The network is depicted in Figure 3. Every arc has the same two-level speed profile consisting of an initial congestion period which lasts  $a$  seconds, followed by a free-flow period. In the examples below, the congestion speed  $v_c$  is set to 10 km/h and the speed limit  $v_m$  to 110 km/h. The examples differ with respect to the driver wage policy and the time windows at the customer nodes, which are given above each table. We assume that demand and service time at each customer node are zero. The assumption on the demand values entails no loss of generality given that the weight module does not depend on the vehicle speed, as shown in Section 2.2. The parameters used to calculate the total cost function, which are reported in Table 1, are taken from Demir et al.(2012).



**Figure 3** Sample four-node instance

#### 3.1. Impact of traffic congestion

We consider four examples. In each one, we minimize the total travel cost using two different approaches. In the *time-independent* approach, we ignore traffic congestion when planning the vehicle route and schedule, that is, we assume that the vehicle can always drive at the chosen free-flow speed on each arc of the network. Let  $S_N$  denote the solution of the time-independent approach. In the *time-dependent* approach, we account for traffic congestion by solving the TDPRP, the solution of which we denote by  $S_D$ . However, the costs for both solutions (denoted by  $TC(S_N)$  and  $TC(S_D)$ ) are evaluated under traffic congestion. Since  $S_D$  is optimal under traffic congestion, it follows that  $TC(S_D) \leq TC(S_N)$ , and the difference in cost between the two solutions represents the value of incorporating traffic congestion information in the decision making process. In the example below, the length of the congestion period is equal to 14400 seconds.

*Example 1: Post-service wait at depot.* This example shows that ignoring traffic congestion when planning the route and schedule of the vehicle can lead to a substantial increase in costs. It also shows that adding waiting time at the depot can be used as an effective strategy to mitigate the effect of congestion and reduce the total travel cost. We assume no service time windows at customer nodes:  $l_1 = l_2 = l_3 = 0$ , and  $u_1 = u_2 = u_3 = \infty$ . The driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon.

The solutions to the time-independent and time-dependent approaches are displayed in Table 2. For each solution, the table reports (i) the set of traversed arcs in chronological order from top to bottom under column Arc, (ii) the speed(s) at which each arc is traversed (for an arc traversed during the *transient* region, both the congestion speed and free-flow speed are reported), (iii) the departure time from the origin node, (iv) the post-service waiting time at the origin node, i.e. the additional time that the driver intentionally waits once the service is completed before leaving a node (at the depot the waiting time is equal to the departure time), (v) the fuel cost  $F$ , (vi) the driver cost  $W$  and (vii) the total cost  $TC$ .

**Table 2** Comparison of  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  in Example 1

Arc	$S_N$			$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £	Arc	$S_D$			$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £
	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s					Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s			
(0, 1)	10, 75.34†	0	0	25.86	32.73	58.59	(0, 1)	75.34	14400	14400	11.47	36.94	48.40
(1, 2)	75.34	14877.8	0	6.88	3.15	10.03	(1, 2)	75.34	16789.2	0	6.88	3.15	10.03
(2, 3)	75.34	16311.3	0	11.47	5.26	16.72	(2, 3)	75.34	18222.7	0	11.47	5.26	16.72
(3, 0)	75.34	18700.5	0	6.88	3.15	10.03	(3, 0)	75.34	20611.8	0	6.88	3.15	10.03
Total				51.09	44.29	95.38					36.70	48.50	85.20

†*transient* region

From Table 2, we see that the two solutions yield the same optimal tour  $(0, 3, 2, 1, 0)$  and the same set of optimal free-flow speed levels (75.34 km/h on each arc). The difference between the two solutions lies in the fact that the vehicle leaves the depot at time zero in  $S_N$  but waits until the end of the congestion period in  $S_D$ . Thus,  $S_D$  yields a higher driver cost but this increase is more than compensated by a fuel cost saving, yielding a 10.67% total cost saving over  $S_N$  (85.20 instead of 95.38).

*Example 2: Post-service wait at a customer node* This example shows that ignoring traffic congestion can lead to a significant cost increase when the schedule fails to include post-service wait times which help mitigate the negative impacts of traffic congestion on emission costs. It also highlights the difference between pre-service and post-service waits. We assume the following service time windows (in seconds) at customer nodes:  $l_1 = 15000, l_2 = 0, l_3 = 11000$ ,  $u_1 = u_2 = \infty$ ,  $u_3 = 12000$ . The driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon. The solutions to the time-independent and time-dependent approaches are displayed in Table 3.

**Table 3** Comparison of  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  in Example 2

		$S_N$							$S_D$				
Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £	Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £
(0, 3)	10	0	0	17.67	24.20	41.87	(0, 3)	10	0	0	17.67	31.68	49.35
(3, 2)	10, 72†	11000	0	14.69	11.94	26.63	(3, 2)	75.34	14400	3400	11.47	5.26	16.72
(2, 1)	72	16427.8	0	6.75	3.30	10.05	(2, 1)	75.34	16789.2	0	6.88	3.15	10.03
(1, 0)	75.34	17927.8	0	11.47	5.26	16.72	(1, 0)	75.34	18222.7	0	11.47	5.26	16.72
Total				50.58	44.70	95.28					47.49	45.35	92.84

†transient region

In this example,  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  yield the same optimal route but different schedules. In both solutions, the time at which the driver arrives at node 3 is 3200 seconds before the lower limit of the time window, hence there is a positive pre-service wait time at that node. In the  $S_N$  solution, the vehicle leaves immediately after serving customer 3, while in the  $S_D$  solution it waits until the end of the traffic congestion. Hence, the pre-service and post-service waiting times at node 3 are both positive in  $S_D$ . This change in the schedule leads to cost savings of 2.56% over the time-independent solution. From this example, it can be seen that, while pre-service wait times can occur in  $S_N$  and  $S_D$ , post-service wait times are strategic decisions motivated by the impact of congestion and in this example only occur in  $S_D$ , when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon.

*Example 3: Late deliveries due to congestion.* This example shows that ignoring traffic congestion can prevent the driver from delivering within the set time windows because he chose a suboptimal route and suboptimal free-flow speeds. This can have significant negative consequences in terms of future business profitability. We assume the following service time windows (in seconds) at customer nodes:  $l_1 = l_2 = l_3 = 0$ ,  $u_2 = 15500$  and  $u_1 = u_3 = \infty$ . The driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon. The solutions to the time-independent and time-dependent approaches are displayed in Table 4.

**Table 4** Comparison of  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  in Example 3

		$S_N$							$S_D$					
Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £	Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £	
(0, 1)	10, 75.34†	0	0	25.86	32.73	58.59	(0, 2)	10, 106.02†	5070.96	5070.96	24.81	34.10	58.91	
(1, 2)	75.34	14877.8	inf.	inf.	inf.	inf.	(2, 1)	75.34	15500	0	6.88	3.15	10.03	
(2, 3)	75.34	16311.3	inf.	inf.	inf.	inf.	(1, 3)	75.34	16933.5	0	13.37	6.13	19.50	
(3, 0)	75.34	18700.5	inf.	inf.	inf.	inf.	(3, 0)	75.34	19719.7	0	6.88	3.15	10.03	
Total												51.95	46.54	98.48

†transient region

We see from Table 4 that the optimal tour for  $S_N$  is (0, 1, 2, 3, 0) and the optimal free-flow speed, without congestion, is 75.34 km/h for every arc. Under congestion, however, the vehicle is only able to reach customer 2 after  $14877.8 + (30/75.34)3600 = 16311.3$  seconds, that is, with a 13.5

minute delay with respect to the upper time window limit. Because of this delay,  $S_N$  is infeasible in the presence of traffic congestion. The optimal route  $(0, 2, 1, 3, 0)$  under  $S_D$  is different and so are the free-flow speeds (106.02 km/h on the first arc and 75.34 km/h afterwards). By accounting for traffic congestion, the planner realizes that the driver must go to customer 2 first. It does so after an initial waiting time of 5070.96 seconds at the depot, and then proceeds at a speed of 106 km/h to reach customer 2, exactly at its upper time window of time 15500 seconds.

*Example 4: Reduction of driver and fuel costs.* This example shows that  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  solutions can both have strategic wait times but for reasons which are different from those mentioned above. We assume the following service time windows (in seconds) at customer nodes:  $l_1 = 19000, l_2 = 0, l_3 = 11000, u_1 = u_2 = u_3 = \infty$ . Contrary to the previous three examples, the driver is now paid from his departure time. The solutions to the time-independent and time-dependent approaches are displayed in Table 5.

**Table 5** Comparison of  $S_N$  and  $S_D$  in Example 4

Arc	$S_N$						$S_D$						
	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$D$ £	$TC$ £	Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$D$ £	$TC$ £
(0, 3)	10, 75.34†	13743.8	13743.8	7.54	4.41	11.94	(0, 3)	75.34	14400	14400	6.88	3.15	10.03
(3, 2)	75.34	15746.4	0	11.47	5.26	16.73	(3, 2)	75.34	15833.5	0	11.47	5.26	16.72
(2, 1)	75.34	18135.6	0	6.88	3.15	10.04	(2, 1)	75.34	18222.7	0	6.88	3.15	10.03
(1, 0)	75.34	19569.1	0	11.47	5.26	16.73	(1, 0)	75.34	19656.2	0	11.47	5.26	16.72
Total				37.36	18.07	55.43					36.70	16.82	53.52

†transient region

Table 5 shows that when there are lower time window restrictions at the customers and the driver is paid from its departure time, there can be strategic post-service waiting time at the depot in both solutions  $S_N$  and  $S_D$ . In the  $S_N$  solution, the reason for delaying the vehicle's departure is to reduce the driver cost by avoiding pre-service wait at the customer node. In contrast, in  $S_D$  solution, there is another reason for delaying the vehicle's departure, which is the desire to avoid traveling in congestion, thereby reducing fuel cost.

From the four examples just presented, we conclude that ignoring traffic congestion can have detrimental consequences on the timing of deliveries. Congestion is likely to increase costs or even lead to an infeasible solution (which can be seen as a solution with infinite costs) when customer nodes have delivery time windows. This is because the planner does not incorporate strategic post-service wait times motivated by traffic congestion in the vehicle schedules. We show that these strategic wait times can occur either at the depot or at the customer nodes.

### 3.2. Impact of the driver wage policy

In this section we investigate the impact of the driver wage policy on the optimal TDPRP solution, namely whether the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon or from his departure time. In the example below, the length of the congestion period is equal to 7200 seconds.

*Example 5: Impact of driver wage policy on wait time and routing.* In this example we assume the following service time windows (in seconds) at customer nodes:  $l_1 = l_2 = 9000, l_3 = 10000$ ,  $u_1 = 19000, u_2 = 15000, u_3 = 12000$ . The optimal solutions for the two driver wage policies are compared in Table 6.

**Table 6** Comparison of the driver wage policies in Example 5

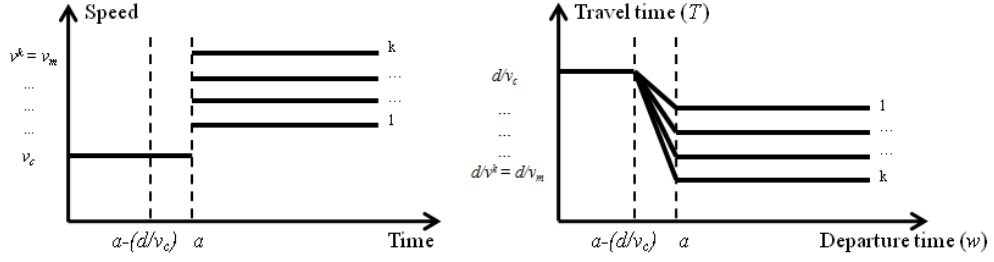
$S_D$ The driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon							$S_D$ The driver is paid from departure						
Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £	Arc	Speed km/h	Departure time s	Waiting time s	$F$ £	$W$ £	$TC$ £
(0, 1)	97.5	7200	7200	13.64	19.89	33.53	(0, 3)	75.34	8566.5	8566.5	6.88	3.15	10.03
(1, 2)	97.5	9046.15	0.00	8.17	2.44	10.61	(3, 2)	75.34	10000	0	11.47	5.26	16.73
(2, 3)	97.5	10153.8	0.00	13.59	4.07	17.66	(2, 1)	75.34	12389.2	0	6.88	3.15	10.03
(3, 0)	75.34	12000.00	0.00	6.88	3.15	10.03	(1, 0)	75.34	13822.7	0	11.47	5.26	16.73
Total				42.28	29.55	71.83					36.70	16.82	53.52

Table 6 shows that the driver wage policy may affect the resulting route. When the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, the optimal route is (0, 1, 2, 3, 0) and it is optimal to wait until the end of the congestion period. When the driver is paid from his departure time, it is optimal to postpone his departure until after the end of the congestion period but this requires a change of route to (0, 3, 2, 1, 0) in order to meet the delivery time windows.

In summary, we see that it is important to take the driver wage policy into account when optimizing the route and schedule of the vehicles. When the driver is paid from his departure time, he generally leaves the depot later than if he was paid from the beginning of the time horizon, but this delay has to be compensated by either a change of route or a speed increase.

## 4. An Integer Linear Programming Formulation for the TDPRP

This section presents a mathematical formulation for the TDPRP. The objective is to determine a set of routes for the  $K$  vehicles, all starting and ending at the depot, along with their speeds on each arc, and then departure times from each node so as to minimize a total cost function encompassing driver and fuel costs. The objective function is not linear in the speed values. To linearize it, we discretize the free-flow speed following an approach used by Bektaş and Laporte (2011). Let  $R = \{1, \dots, k\}$  be the index set of different speed levels and  $v^1, \dots, v^k$  denote the corresponding free-flow speeds where  $v_c \leq v^1 < \dots < v^k = v_m$ . Figure 4 illustrates the different speed values and corresponding travel time functions. Let  $b^0 = 0$ ,  $b^1 = (a - d/v_c)^+$ ,  $b^2 = a$  and  $b^3 = \infty$



**Figure 4** Time-dependent speed and travel time profiles

and let  $[b^{m-1}, b^m)$  denote the  $m$ -th time interval, where  $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Specifically,  $m = 1$  is the *all congestion* region,  $m = 2$  is the *transient* region and  $m = 3$  is the *all free-flow* region. We also define  $\nu^{mr}$  as the vehicle speed in time region  $m$  given free-flow speed  $v^r$  with  $r \in R$ , that is,  $\nu^{1r} = v_c$ ,  $\nu^{2r} = v_c$  and  $\nu^{3r} = v^r$ . These definitions allow us to rewrite (1) for arc  $(i, j)$  as  $T(w, v_r) = \theta^{mr}w + \eta_{ij}^{mr}$ , if  $b^{m-1} \leq w < b^m$  and  $r \in R$ , where,

$$\theta^{mr} = \begin{cases} 0 & m = 1, 3 \\ \frac{\nu^{2r} - \nu^{3r}}{\nu^{3r}} & m = 2, \end{cases}$$

$$\eta_{ij}^{mr} = \begin{cases} \frac{d_{ij}}{\nu^{1r}} & m = 1 \\ \frac{d_{ij}}{\nu^{3r}} + \left( \frac{\nu^{3r} - \nu^{2r}}{\nu^{3r}} \right) a & m = 2 \\ \frac{d_{ij}}{\nu^{3r}} & m = 3. \end{cases}$$

The model uses the following decision variables:

- $x_{ij}$  binary variable equal to 1 if a vehicle traverses arc  $(i, j) \in A$ , 0 otherwise,
- $z_{ij}^{mr}$  binary variable equal to 1 if a vehicle traverses arc  $(i, j) \in A$ , leaving node  $i$  within time interval  $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  with the free-flow speed  $v_r$  with  $r \in R$ , 0 otherwise,
- $f_{ij}$  amount of commodity flowing on arc  $(i, j)$ ,
- $w_{ij}^{mr}$  variable equal to the time instant at which a vehicle leaves node  $i \in N$  to traverse arc  $(i, j)$  if within time interval  $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  with the free-flow speed  $v_r$  with  $r \in R$ ,
- $s_i$  total time spent on a route that has node  $i \in N_0$  as last visited before returning to the depot,
- $\varphi_i$  time at which service at node  $i \in N_0$  starts.

Given these variables,  $\theta_{ij}^{mr} w_{ij}^{mr} + \eta_{ij}^{mr} z_{ij}^{mr}$  is equal to the travel time of a vehicle on arc  $(i, j) \in A$  if the vehicle leaves node  $i$  within time interval  $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  and uses free-flow speed  $v^r$  with  $r \in R$ .

We now present a mixed integer linear programming formulation for the TDPRP:

$$\text{Minimize} \quad \sum_{(i,j) \in A} \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{m=1}^3 f_c \lambda k N_e V (\theta_{ij}^{mr} w_{ij}^{mr} + \eta_{ij}^{mr} z_{ij}^{mr}) \quad (5)$$

$$+ \sum_{(i,j) \in A} \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{m=1,3} f_c \lambda \gamma \beta (\nu^{mr})^3 (\theta_{ij}^{mr} w_{ij}^{mr} + \eta_{ij}^{mr} z_{ij}^{mr}) \quad (6)$$

$$+ \sum_{(ij) \in A} \sum_{r \in R} f_c \lambda \gamma \beta (\nu^{2r})^3 (a z_{ij}^{2r} - w_{ij}^{2r}) \quad (7)$$

$$+ \sum_{(i,j) \in A} \sum_{r \in R} f_c \lambda \gamma \beta (\nu^{3r})^3 (w_{ij}^{2r} + \theta_{ij}^{2r} w_{ij}^{2r} + \eta_{ij}^{2r} z_{ij}^{2r} - a z_{ij}^{2r}) \quad (8)$$

$$+ \sum_{(i,j) \in A} f_c \lambda \gamma \alpha_{ij} d_{ij} (\mu x_{ij} + f_{ij}) \quad (9)$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in N_0} d_c s_i \quad (10)$$

subject to

$$\sum_{j \in N} x_{0j} = K \quad (11)$$

$$\sum_{i \in N} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall j \in N_0 \quad (12)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \in N_0 \quad (13)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N} f_{ji} - \sum_{j \in N} f_{ij} = q_i \quad \forall i \in N_0 \quad (14)$$

$$q_j x_{ij} \leq f_{ij} \leq x_{ij} (Q - q_i) \quad \forall (i, j) \in A \quad (15)$$

$$z_{ij}^{mr} b_{ij}^{m-1} \leq w_{ij}^{mr} \leq z_{ij}^{mr} b_{ij}^m \quad \forall (i, j) \in A, m \in \{1, 2, 3\}, r \in R \quad (16)$$

$$\sum_{i \in N} \sum_{m=1}^3 \sum_{r \in R} (w_{ij}^{mr} + \theta_{ij}^{mr} w_{ij}^{mr} + \eta_{ij}^{mr} z_{ij}^{mr}) \leq \varphi_j \quad \forall j \in N_0 \quad (17)$$

$$\sum_{j \in N} \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{m=1}^3 w_{ij}^{mr} \geq \varphi_i + h_i \quad \forall i \in N_0 \quad (18)$$

$$l_i \leq \varphi_i \leq u_i \quad \forall i \in N_0 \quad (19)$$

$$s_i \geq \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{m=1}^3 (w_{i0}^{mr} + \theta_{i0}^{mr} w_{i0}^{mr} + \eta_{i0}^{mr} z_{i0}^{mr}) \quad \forall i \in N_0 \quad (20)$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^3 \sum_{r \in R} z_{ij}^{mr} = x_{ij} \quad \forall (i, j) \in A \quad (21)$$

$$z_{ij}^{mr} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall (i, j) \in A, m \in \{1, 2, 3\}, r \in R \quad (22)$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall (i, j) \in A \quad (23)$$

$$f_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \in A, m \in \{1, 2, 3\}, r \in R. \quad (24)$$

The first five parts of the objective function represent the cost of fuel consumption. In particular, (5) computes the cost induced by the *engine module*, the terms (6)–(8) measure the cost induced by the *speed module*, and (9) is the cost induced by the *weight module*. More precisely, (6) calculates the fuel cost generated by the *speed module* in the *all congestion* and in the *all free-flow* regions, while (7) and (8) represent the fuel cost generated by the speed module in the *transient* region. Finally, the last term (10) measures the total driver wage when the driver is paid from the beginning

of the time horizon. In contrast, if the driver was paid from its departure time, the total driver wage would be  $\sum_{i \in N_0} d_c s_i - \sum_{j \in N_0} \sum_{r \in R} \sum_{m=1}^3 d_c w_{0j}^{mr}$ .

Constraint (11) indicates that exactly  $K$  vehicles depart from the depot. Constraints (12) and (13) guarantee that each customer is visited exactly once. Constraints (14) and (15) model the flow on each arc, and ensure that vehicle capacities are respected. The boundary conditions on the departure time are imposed by constraint (16). Constraints (17) and (18) are used to express the temporal relationship between arrival time and service time, and between service time and departure time, respectively. The time windows restrictions at customer nodes are imposed by constraint (19). Constraint (20) computes the time at which the vehicle returns to the depot. The relationship between speed and arc-traversal variables is expressed by constraint (21). Finally, constraints (22)–(24) enforce the integrality and nonnegativity restrictions on the variables.

We provide a numerical analysis of the performance of this formulation in Section 7.

## 5. Analytical Results based on a Single-Arc Network

We now consider a special case of the TDPRP on a network with two nodes, i.e., the depot and one customer node. The aim is to gain insights by analyzing this special case of the problem; as will be shown in Sections 6 and 7, the results obtained in this section are useful for optimizing the TDPRP on a fixed route and for improving the computational performance of the integer linear programming formulation.

We minimize the cost of going from the depot to the customer node (hence, ignoring the return trip to the depot). The customer node has a time window  $[l, u]$ . Service time at the customer node is equal to  $h$  (in this section it can be set equal to zero without loss of generality but we include it because it becomes a relevant variable for the problem presented in Section 6). We assume, without loss of generality, that the demand at the customer is equal to zero and that there is a two-level speed profile with an initial congestion period  $a$ , as described in Section 2.1.

In this special case there are only two decision variables: the departure time  $w$  from the depot and the free-flow speed  $v_f$  for the vehicle serving the customer. We must have  $v_f \in [0, v_m]$  and  $w \geq \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon \geq 0$  is the earliest time at which the vehicle can leave the depot. For example  $\epsilon$  can represent loading time at the depot. We refer to  $\epsilon$  as the beginning of the planning horizon;  $w - \epsilon$  is the (strategic) waiting time at the depot. Without loss of generality we assume that  $a \geq \epsilon$  and  $\epsilon \leq l \leq u \leq \infty$  (for example, if  $a < \epsilon$ , then the problem can be solved by setting  $a = \epsilon$ ).

Our objective is to minimize the total cost function  $TC(w, v_f)$  so that the arrival time at the customer node does not exceed  $u$ . In other words, the optimization problem is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize} \quad & \begin{matrix} w \geq \epsilon \\ 0 \leq v_f \leq v_m \end{matrix} TC(w, v_f) = f_c F(w, v_f) + d_c W(w, v_f) \\ \text{subject to} \quad & T(w, v_f) + w \leq u, \end{aligned}$$

where  $F$  and  $T$  are as defined in Section 2 and  $W(w, v_f)$  denotes the time for which the driver is paid. If the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon (i.e.,  $\epsilon$ ), then  $W(w, v_f) = \max\{w - \epsilon + T(w, v_f), l - \epsilon\} + h$ . If the driver is paid from his departure time (i.e.,  $w$ ), then  $W(w, v_f) = \max\{T(w, v_f), l - w\} + h$ .

For the single-arc problem to be feasible, the vehicle must be able to reach the customer node by time  $u$  if it does not wait at the depot, i.e. if  $w = \epsilon$ . By leaving immediately, the vehicle is either (i) in the *all congestion* region, i.e., when  $\epsilon \leq a - d/v_c$ , in which case  $u \geq \epsilon + d/v_c$ , or (ii) in the *transient* region, i.e., when  $\epsilon \geq a - d/v_c$ , in which case  $u \geq a + (d - (a - \epsilon)v_c)/v_m$ . We can summarize these two conditions as follows:  $u \geq \min\{a, \epsilon + d/v_c\} + (d - (a - \epsilon)v_c)^+/v_m$ . In what follows we assume that this condition is satisfied.

Let  $v_w^u$  be the free-flow speed required for the driver to arrive at the customer exactly at time  $u$  when leaving the depot at time  $w$ . Then

$$v_w^u = \begin{cases} \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{u - \max\{a, w\}}, & \text{if } w \in [\max\{\epsilon, a - d/v_c\}, u] \text{ and } u > a \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Similarly, let  $v_w^l$  be the free-flow speed required for the driver to arrive at the customer exactly at time  $l$  when leaving the depot at  $w$ . Then

$$v_w^l = \begin{cases} \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{l - \max\{a, w\}}, & \text{if } w \in [\max\{\epsilon, a - d/v_c\}, l] \text{ and } l > a \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The departure time  $w$  from the depot must be such that  $v_w^u \leq v_m$  otherwise it is not possible to arrive by time  $u$ . Let  $w_m^u$  denote the time at which the vehicle needs to depart from the depot to reach the customer at exactly time  $u$ , driving at free-flow speed  $v_m$ .

$$w_m^u = \begin{cases} u - \frac{d}{v_m}, & \text{if } v_m \geq v_a^u \text{ and } u > a \\ a - \frac{d - (u - a)v_m}{v_c}, & \text{if } v_m < v_a^u \text{ and } u > a \\ u - \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } \epsilon \leq u \leq a. \end{cases}$$

In other words,  $w_m^u$  is an upper bound on the departure time, i.e., for a value of the departure time  $w$  to be feasible we need  $w \in [\epsilon, w_m^u]$ . Similarly let  $w_m^l$  be the maximum departure time such that the driver arrives exactly at time  $l$  driving at free-flow speed  $v_m$ :

$$w_m^l = \begin{cases} l - \frac{d}{v_m}, & \text{if } v_m \geq v_a^l \text{ and } l > a \\ a - \frac{d - (l - a)v_m}{v_c}, & \text{if } v_m < v_a^l \text{ and } l > a \\ l - \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } \epsilon \leq l \leq a. \end{cases}$$

We first determine the optimal free-flow speed  $v_f$  for a given departure time  $w \in [\max\{\epsilon, a - d/v_c\}, w_m^u]$ . As shown in Lemma 1, this can be done by comparing the speed levels  $v_w^l$  and  $v_w^u$  to two key speed levels:  $\bar{v} = ((f_c \lambda k N_e V + d_c)/2f_c \lambda \beta \gamma)^{1/3}$  and  $\underline{v} = (k N_e V / 2\beta \gamma)^{1/3}$ . The speed level  $\bar{v}$  minimizes fuel and driver costs, i.e.,  $TC$ , in the absence of any time window, whereas

the speed  $\underline{v}$  minimizes fuel consumption only, i.e.,  $F$ , in the absence of any time windows. Both values are independent of the departure time  $w$ . These speed values have previously been identified by Demir et al.(2012).

LEMMA 1. *Consider a single-arc TDPRP instance and a departure time  $w$  such that  $w \in [\max\{\epsilon, a - d/v_c\}, w_m^u]$ . There are four cases: (i) if  $v_w^l \leq \underline{v}$  then the optimal free-flow speed is  $\min\{v_m, \underline{v}\}$ , (ii) if  $\underline{v} \leq v_w^l \leq \bar{v}$  then the optimal free-flow speed is  $\min\{v_m, v_w^l\}$ , (iii) if  $v_w^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_w^l$  then the optimal free-flow speed is  $\min\{v_m, \bar{v}\}$ , (iv) if  $\bar{v} \leq v_w^u$  then the optimal speed is  $v_w^u$ .*

Note that the optimal speed for a given departure time does not depend on the driver wage policy. Using Lemma 1, we can reduce the problem of minimizing  $TC$  to a unidimensional optimization problem, that is, we set  $w$  as the unique decision variable.

We now provide the full characterization of the optimal solution. Let  $S = (w^*, v_f^*)$  denote a solution, where  $w^*$  is the optimal departure time and  $v_f^*$  is the optimal free-flow speed, Theorem 1 provides the solution when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, i.e, from time  $\epsilon$ , and Theorem 2 provides the solution when the driver is paid from his departure time i.e., from time  $w$ . Observe that whenever the vehicle traverses the entire arc during the congestion period, the free-flow speed is never used but we may still write  $S = (w^*, v_f^*)$ , with  $v_f^*$  being equal to any positive value.

THEOREM 1. *Consider a single-arc TDPRP instance. If the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, the optimal solution depends mainly on the relative values of the nine speed levels:  $v_m, \underline{v}, \bar{v}, \hat{v} = ((kN_e V + \beta\gamma v_c^3)/3\beta\gamma v_c)^{1/2}$ ,  $\check{v} = ((f_c \lambda k N_e V + d_c + f_c \lambda \beta \gamma v_m^3)/3f_c \lambda \beta \gamma v_m)^{1/2}$ ,  $v_\epsilon^l, v_a^l, v_\epsilon^u$  and  $v_a^u$  and is given in Table 11 in Appendix A.*

Theorem 1 suggests that, when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, there are four important free-flow speed values:  $\bar{v}, \underline{v}, \hat{v}$  and  $\check{v}$ , which only depend on the values from Table 1. In particular, the first two values are defined as in Lemma 1, and the latter two are comparison parameters. The intuition is as follows. Delaying the departure of the driver has two effects: on the one hand, it may increase the driver costs as the driver is paid for a longer period of time; on the other hand, it may reduce the time spent driving in congestion, allowing the driver to reach a higher average driving speed and spend less time on the road. The engine module component of the emission costs is decreasing in the departure time, whereas the driver costs and speed module are increasing in it. As a result, the overall impact on the total cost depends on the trade-off between these costs. More specifically, when  $v_m \leq \bar{v}$  ( $v_m > \bar{v}$ ), the total cost function is initially decreasing in the *transient* region (where both effects are active) only if  $\hat{v} \geq \check{v}$  ( $\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$ ). In this case, it may be beneficial to postpone the departure time past time  $\epsilon$  because the drop in the engine module part

of the emission costs more than offsets the increase in driver costs and speed module.

Beside the speeds just described, the optimal solution also depend on other four free-flow speed values:  $v_\epsilon^l$ ,  $v_\epsilon^u$ ,  $v_a^l$ , and  $v_a^u$ , which only depend on the instance parameters, that is,  $l$ ,  $u$ ,  $d$  and  $a$ .

**THEOREM 2.** *Consider a single-arc TDPRP instance. If the driver is paid from his departure time, the optimal solution depends mainly on the relative values of the eight speed levels:  $v_m$ ,  $\underline{v}$ ,  $\bar{v}$ ,  $\tilde{v} = ((f_c \lambda k N_e V + d_c + f_c \lambda \beta \gamma v_c^3) / 3 f_c \lambda \beta \gamma v_c)^{1/2}$ ,  $v_\epsilon^l$ ,  $v_a^l$ ,  $v_\epsilon^u$  and  $v_a^u$  and is given in Table 12 in Appendix A.*

When the driver is paid from his departure time, delaying departure does not lead to an increase in driver costs. In fact it may lead to a decrease since waiting may mean less driving in congestion and therefore spending less time on the road. In this case the trade-off is between the speed module of the emission costs, which is increasing in the departure time, and the driver costs and engine module which are decreasing.

We make the following remarks about the optimal solutions under both driver wage policies.

**REMARK 1.** Consider a single-arc TDPRP instance.

- If there is no time window, i.e.  $l = 0$  and  $u = \infty$ , and the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, then one of the following two solutions is optimal: either leave the depot immediately ( $w^* = \epsilon$ ), or wait until the end of the congestion period ( $w^* = a$ ). In both cases the optimal speed is  $\bar{v}$ . Differently, when the driver is paid from his departure time, leaving the depot at the end of the congestion period ( $w^* = a$ ) and driving at free-flow speed  $\bar{v}$  is optimal.

- When the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, there always exists an optimal solution where the driver leaves at or before the end of the congestion period, i.e., at time  $w^* \leq a$ . However, when the driver is paid from his departure time, it may be optimal to leave the depot after the end of the congestion period, i.e., at time  $w > a$ .

- The optimal departure time when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon is at most equal to the optimal departure time when the driver is paid from his departure time. This is due to the fact that there is an extra incentive to delay departure when the driver is paid from his departure time, which is to reduce the driver costs.

- If there is no congestion period, the TDPRP reduces to the PRP. In this case, our results show that, when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, there always exists an optimal solution where the driver leaves the depot immediately, i.e.,  $w^* = \epsilon$ . However, this result is not true when the driver is paid from his departure time. In this case, even in the absence of congestion, it may be optimal to delay the departure of the vehicle in order to save on the driver costs, when leaving at time  $\epsilon$  would lead to a pre-service waiting time at the customer node.

- The results of this section also apply to the case where emission costs are ignored (i.e., if  $f_c$  is set to 0) so that the objective function reduces to minimizing only the driver cost, that is, Theorems 1 and 2 can be used to obtain an optimal solution (note that  $\bar{v} = \check{v} = \tilde{v} = \infty$  in this case). When the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, it is always optimal for him to leave immediately and drive at speed  $v_m$ . However, when the driver is paid from his departure time, it may be optimal to wait at the depot.

The following theorem establishes the relationship between the optimal departure time and the time window  $[l, u]$ .

**THEOREM 3.** *The (earliest) optimal departure time from the depot  $w^*$  is non-decreasing in  $l$  and  $u$ . The optimal free-flow speed  $v^*$  (whenever it is used) is non-increasing in  $l$  and  $u$ .*

The following example illustrates how the optimal solution to the TDPRP varies with  $l$  and  $u$ .

**EXAMPLE 1.** The parameters in Table 1 imply that  $\underline{v} = 55.19$  km/h and  $\bar{v} = 75.34$  km/h. Let  $\epsilon = 0$ ,  $d = 100$  km,  $v_c = 19$  km/h,  $v_m = 130$  km/h and  $a = 10000$  seconds. This implies that  $\hat{v} = 77.58$  km/h and  $\tilde{v} = 122.99$  km/h. Table 7 shows the optimal solution as a function of the lower ( $l$ ) and upper ( $u$ ) time windows, given in seconds.

**Table 7** Optimal solution  $S = (w^*, v_f^*)$  as a function of lower and upper time window

Driver paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Driver paid from departure time		
$l$	$u$	$w^*$	$v_f^*$	Arrival Time	$w^*$	$v_f^*$	Arrival Time
7500	11375	0	123.63 ( $v_c^u$ )	11375 ( $u$ )	0	123.63 ( $v_c^u$ )	11375 ( $u$ )
7500	12500	1260.42 ( $< a$ )	77.58 ( $\hat{v}$ )	12500 ( $u$ )	7235.49 ( $< a$ )	122.99 ( $\tilde{v}$ )	12500 ( $u$ )
7500	14700	10000 ( $a$ )	76.60 ( $v_a^u$ )	14700 ( $u$ )	10000 ( $a$ )	76.60 ( $v_a^u$ )	14700 ( $u$ )
7500	70000	10000 ( $a$ )	75.34 ( $\bar{v}$ )	14778.20 ( $\in (l, u)$ )	10000 ( $a$ )	75.34 ( $\bar{v}$ )	14778.20 ( $\in (l, u)$ )
15000	70000	10000 ( $a$ )	72 ( $v_a^l$ )	15000 ( $l$ )	10221.79 ( $> a$ )	75.34 ( $\bar{v}$ )	15000 ( $l$ )
25000	70000	10000 ( $a$ )	55.19 ( $\underline{v}$ )	16523 ( $< l$ )	20221.79 ( $> a$ )	75.34 ( $\bar{v}$ )	25000 ( $l$ )

We see that for low values of  $l$  and  $u$ , it is optimal for the driver to leave the depot immediately and arrive at the customer node exactly at time  $u$ . As  $u$  increases, it becomes optimal to wait at the depot and eventually arrive between  $l$  and  $u$ . Then as  $l$  is increased, the optimal arrival time becomes exactly  $l$  and then possibly (when the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon) a value less than  $l$ , meaning that there is a pre-service waiting time.

Based on the properties of single-arc TDPRP instance we derive the following results which also apply to the general case.

**LEMMA 2.** *Given a TDPRP instance,*

- (i) *it is never optimal for drivers to drive at a free-flow speed lower than  $\underline{v}$ ;*
- (ii) *if drivers are paid from their departure time, it is never optimal for them to drive on the first arc of a route at a free-flow speed lower than  $\min\{\bar{v}, v_m\}$ .*

These results will be useful to improve the efficiency of the MIP formulation, as discussed in Section 7.

## 6. Departure Time and Speed Optimization on Fixed Routes

In this section, we consider a special case of the TDPRP where there is only one vehicle and a fixed sequence in which the customer nodes are to be visited. We refer to this problem as the Departure Time and Speed Optimization Problem (DSOP). Let  $(0, 1, \dots, n, n+1)$  be the fixed sequence of nodes. Node  $n+1$  may be a copy of the depot, implying a return to the origin but this does not have to be the case. Let  $d_i$  denote the distance on arc  $(i, i+1)$  with  $0 \leq i \leq n$ . As described in Section 2,  $l_i$ ,  $u_i$  and  $h_i$  are respectively the lower time window limit, the upper time window limit and the service time at node  $i$ . Without loss of generality the demand values at each nodes are set equal to zero. We assume the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon.

The decision variables are (i) the departure time from node  $i$ , denoted  $w_i$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n$  and (ii) the free-flow speed driven on arc  $(i, i+1)$  (if possible), denoted  $v_f^i$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n$ . We must have  $v_f^i \in [0, v_m]$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $w_0 \geq \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon$  denotes the earliest time the driver can leave the depot, and  $w_i \geq \max\{l_i, w_{i-1} + T(w_{i-1}, v_f^{i-1})\} + h_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $T(w_{i-1}, v_f^{i-1})$  denotes the travel time of the vehicle between nodes  $i-1$  and  $i$ .

### 6.1. Solution methods for the DSOP

The TDPRP reduces to  $K$  instances of the DSOP if the route of each of the  $K$  vehicles is fixed. This means that the DSOP can, in principle, be solved by a commercial optimization software using the MIP model presented in Section 4, where constraints (11)–(15), (23), and (24) are relaxed. Even in this case, however, solving the resulting problem requires considerable computational effort due to the large number of binary decision variables representing the discretized speeds. Furthermore, the precision of the solution depends on the level of discretization of the free-flow speeds. To overcome these limitations, we propose a polynomial time solution method which, in our numerical experiments, has been observed to solve the problem to optimality in every case we have considered. The algorithm builds on the solution to the Speed Optimization Problem (SOP) proposed by Norstad et al. (2010) and Hvattum et al. (2013) for ship routing, which was then adapted to the PRP by Demir et al. (2012). The idea is to compute the optimal solution by recursively adjusting the travel speed for segments of the route until a feasible solution is found. The method is exact provided the total cost function is convex (Hvattum et al., 2013). Unfortunately this is not the case with the TDPRP due to the time dependency. Our proposed method builds on the analytical properties presented in Section 5 and maintains the recursive nature of the algorithm proposed for the SOP.

The pseudo-code for our DSOP algorithm is provided in Appendix B. A solution to the DSOP problem is obtained by setting  $s = 0$  and  $e = n + 1$ . The DSOP algorithm operates as follows. It first solves a *relaxed* problem without any time windows at intermediary nodes, that is, with only the time window at the end node maintained. This solution is calculated by reducing the problem to a single-arc TDPRP which is solved using Theorem 1. Once the solution to the relaxed problem has been calculated, the algorithm checks whether there are any time window violations at intermediate nodes, i.e., whether the arrival time at node  $i$  is lower than  $l_i$  or higher than  $u_i$ . In case of multiple violations, the algorithm selects the node  $p$  with the largest violation. The violation is eliminated by calling the algorithm recursively on each side of the node where it occurred, that is, by calling the function for  $(s, \dots, p)$  and for  $(p, \dots, e)$  separately.

## 7. Computational Results

This section presents the results of computational experiments using the integer linear programming formulation of the TDPRP presented in Section 4 and the DSOP algorithm discussed in Section 6. All tests were carried out using three sets of instances from the PRPLIB (<http://www.apollo.management.soton.ac.uk/prplib.htm>), with respectively 10, 15 and 20 nodes as described by Demir et al. (2012). All experiments were conducted by using CPLEX 12.1 on a server with 2.93 GHz and 1.1 Gb RAM. The nodes in these instances represent randomly selected cities from the United Kingdom, with real distances. The time windows and service times, however, are randomly generated.

We set CPLEX to run sequentially in deterministic mode in a single thread. A common time-limit of three hours was imposed on all instances. To improve the efficiency of the formulation, we have used preprocessing to reduce the input data space by using the results of Lemma 2. More specifically, we downsize the set of free-flow speed levels  $R$  by setting  $v_1 = \underline{v}$ . We also include the values of the three speed levels  $\bar{v}$ ,  $\hat{v}$  and  $\tilde{v}$  in the set of free-flow speed levels  $R$ , whenever these do not exceed the upper speed limit  $v_m$ . Finally, we supplement the formulation with two-node subtour breaking constraints  $x_{ij} + x_{ji} \leq 1, \forall i, j \in N_0, i \neq j$ , as was also done by Bektaş and Laporte (2011).

### 7.1. Performance on PRP instances

This section compares the performance of the proposed formulation for the TDPRP with that of Bektaş and Laporte (2011) for cases where there is no congestion. Table 25 in Appendix D. presents the results of this experiment using 10-node instances. The first two columns of the table are self-explanatory, whereas the columns PRP and TDPRP present the total cost produced by the respective formulations and  $t(\text{PRP})$  and  $t(\text{TDPRP})$  present the associated computational

times (in seconds) required to solve each instance to optimality. Compared with the mathematical formulation proposed by Bektaş and Laporte (2011), the TDPRP formulation is superior in terms of the computational time required to reach optimality. The average solution time with the new formulation is indeed significantly reduced from 508.47 to 5.52 seconds. The proposed model also can solve some larger PRP instances to optimality, in particular the 15- and 20-node instances, as shown Section in 7.3. The Bektaş and Laporte (2011) formulation could not handle such sizes because of the computational time requirements. One possible explanation for our formulation to be faster, despite being more general, is that it does not include any big-M parameters. Bektaş and Laporte (2011) use such a parameter both in the time window constraints and in the calculation of the total travel time.

## 7.2. Performance of the DSOP algorithm

We have performed several computational experiments in order to evaluate the performance of our DSOP algorithm. We compare the solutions obtained by our DSOP algorithm (denoted  $S_A$ ) with the value obtained with the MIP formulation (denoted  $S_{IP}$ ). The tests were run on three sets of instances from the PRPLIB. For each set of instances, the time window limits were relaxed by a factor  $\delta$ , i.e.  $l'_i = l_i - \delta(u_i - l_i)$  and  $u'_i = u_i + \delta(u_i - l_i)$ . In order to solve the MIP formulation, three sets (5, 10, and 15) of free-flow speed levels were considered. The results are reported in Table 8 which contains the average percentage deviation  $Dev$  (%) in total costs between  $S_A$  and  $S_{IP}$ , which is calculated as  $100(TC(S_A) - TC(S_{IP}))/TC(S_A)$ , where  $TC(S)$  denotes the total cost of a solution  $S$ .

**Table 8** Average  $Dev$  (%) for three sets of instances

Instances	$\delta$	$a$	$v_c$	# of speed levels		
				5	10	15
UK10	0.2	0	-	-0.113	-0.011	-0.005
UK10	0.3	3000	15	-0.106	-0.015	-0.005
UK10	0.5	3600	10	-0.086	-0.009	-0.002
UK15	0.7	3000	15	-0.121	-0.018	-0.004
UK20	1.0	3000	15	-0.091	-0.018	-0.008

Table 8 shows that in all cases, the deviations are negative, implying that the solution computed with our DSOP algorithm is better than the solution obtained with CPLEX, i.e.,  $TC(S_{IP}) > TC(S_A)$ . This is because the MIP model optimizes the free-flow speed over a finite set of speed levels, whereas in our algorithm considers speed as a continuous variable. These findings are consistent with our DSOP algorithm reaching the optimal solution in all the problem instances we considered.

### 7.3. Importance of modeling traffic congestion and impact of driver wage policy

In this section, we compare the results of cases with and without congestion, as we did in Section 3, using 10-, 15- and 20-node PRP instances. More specifically, by using the integer linear programming formulation described in Section 4, we compute a *time-dependent* optimal solution  $S_D$ . Using the same formulation and fixing the congestion period to zero, we compute an *time-independent* optimal solution  $S_N$ . We note that solving the problem by means of a *time-independent* approach may generate multiple optimal solutions which yield different total costs under a congestion scenario, in which case we select the solution with the minimum waiting time at the depot. For every instance, we assume the same two-level speed profile as defined in Section 2.1, and we consider both driver wage policies. The congestion speed  $v_c$  is set to 10 km/h and we consider two values for the length of the congestion period: 3600 and 7200 seconds. A summary of the results is provided in Tables 9 and 10 (the full results over 60 instances are reported in Tables EC.14–EC.19 in Appendix D). These tables report, for each set of instances the percentage of infeasible solutions  $S_D$  and  $S_N$ , the average computational time (denoted by  $t(S_N)$  and  $t(S_D)$ ) and the average saving of using a *time-dependent* formulation. The latter is calculated as  $\text{Saving \%} = 100(TC(S_N) - TC(S_D))/TC(S_N)$ , representing the percentage decrease in costs which results from incorporating traffic congestion into planning vehicles routes and schedules.

**Table 9** Summarized results for three sets of instances with an initial congestion period of 3600 seconds

Instances	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
	Infeasible $S_N$ %	Infeasible $S_D$ %	$t(S_N)$ s	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	Infeasible $S_N$ %	Infeasible $S_D$ %	$t(S_N)$ s	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK_10	30	0	3.663	4.981	3.206	30	0	3.136	4.561	6.330
UK_15	55	5	976.610	467.797	3.478	45	5	1148.129	668.824	5.705
UK_20†	19	0	1527.273	1119.881	2.937	24	0	2179.146	1003.909	5.736

†Results calculated only on the instances solved to optimality.

**Table 10** Summarized results for three sets of instances with an initial congestion period of 7200 seconds

Instances	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
	Infeasible $S_N$ %	Infeasible $S_D$ %	$t(S_N)$ s	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	Infeasible $S_N$ %	Infeasible $S_D$ %	$t(S_N)$ s	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK_10	50	0	3.663	10.870	4.942	50	0	3.136	8.514	15.276
UK_15	80	10	976.610	463.724	5.055	85	10	1148.129	714.044	14.986
UK_20†	80	0	1527.273	3388.063	5.310	88	0	2179.146	3628.597	14.910

†Results calculated only on the instances solved to optimality.

Tables 9 and 10 show that in the presence of traffic congestion, using a *time-dependent* formulation significantly decreases the percentage of infeasible solutions. Furthermore the results also suggest that if both solutions are feasible, the *time-dependent* one can yield considerable cost savings over the *time-independent* one. The potential cost reduction increases proportionally to the length of the congestion period and can more than double when the driver is paid from his

departure time. These implications support the assertions made in Section 3 by means of simple examples.

## 8. Conclusions

We have introduced and analyzed the time-dependent vehicle routing problem with time windows, which considers vehicles traveling under two subsequent periods of congestion and free-flow, respectively, and explicitly accounts for fuel consumption which increases sharply when vehicles travel at slow speed. Since the amount of emissions from a vehicle is proportional to the amount of fuel consumed, the modeling approach adopted in this paper yields solution with reduced greenhouse gas emissions. We emphasize that our results also hold for the time-dependent VRP even if emissions are not considered in the objective function.

We have provided an integer linear programming formulation, which is also valid for the special case of the problem where there is no congestion (e.g., as in the PRP introduced by Bektaş and Laporte 2011). We have presented several examples that motivate idle waiting time, either pre- or post-service, at customer nodes or at the depot, in order to minimize a total cost function incorporating fuel consumption, emissions and driver wages. We have derived a complete characterization of the optimal solution for a single-arc version of the TDPRP, identifying conditions under which it is optimal to wait before departure, and the associated amount of time. The characterization prescribes optimal speed levels under various conditions associated with time windows, the length of the congestion period and the speed limits. The analytical results derived in the paper were used to strengthen the computational performance of the mathematical formulation. Computational results have confirmed that the proposed formulation computationally outperforms the formulation recently proposed for the PRP. Moreover, the analytical expressions for optimal speeds can easily be used as a “rule-of-thumb” for the design of vehicle routes under congestion.

The paper has also described a procedure to optimize departure times and speeds on a fixed route, also building on the analytical results proven for the single-arc version of the problem. The procedure extends previous algorithms specifically designed for the speed-optimization problem (e.g., Norstad et al. (2010), Hvattum et al. (2013) and Demir et al., 2012). The combined departure time and speed optimization problem is significantly more complicated. The pseudocode we have proposed for its solution was empirically shown to run very quickly and consistently provide highly accurate solutions on realistic instances. Our procedure can be embedded within algorithms for the TDPRP, or can be used as a stand-alone routine when vehicle routes have already been fixed. One obvious extension of the paper is to study the problem with multiple time zones where there are multiple occurrences of congestion and free-flow traffic conditions. The most likely case to arise in practice is a four-period problem corresponding to morning congestion, followed by a period

free-flow, and a repetition of this pattern in afternoon rush-hour and evening traffic. Our study indicates that this extension is likely to be significantly more complicated to analyze, but our work can serve as a good starting point for its analysis.

## Appendix A: Optimal solution tables

Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	Condition 4	Condition 5	Solution		
$l \leq u \leq a$					$(w, v_f)$ where $w \in \left[ \epsilon, \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \right]$		
$l < a < u$	$v_m \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(a, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, v_m)$		
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$		
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, v_m)$		
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$		
	$v_m \geq \bar{v}$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(a, \bar{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v}$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
				$v_\epsilon^u \geq \bar{v}$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
			$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
				$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v}$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
				$v_\epsilon^u \geq \bar{v}$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
			$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$		
				$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
		$\hat{v} \geq v_m$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$			
$a < l < u$	$v_m \leq \underline{v}$	$v_a^l \leq v_m$			$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^l]$		
		$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(a, v_m)$		
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$(w_m^l, v_m)$		
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$		
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$(w_m^l, v_m)$		
	$\underline{v} \leq v_m \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$				$(w, \underline{v})$ where $w \in [a, \underline{w}^l]$	
		$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$v_\epsilon^l \geq \hat{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$	
			$v_a^l \leq \hat{v}$			$(a, v_a^l)$	
		$\hat{v} \leq v_m$		$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$\hat{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_a^l)$	
				$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$	
			$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq v_m$		$(w_m^l, v_m)$	
				$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$	
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$		$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$			$(a, v_m)$
				$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
					$\hat{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_a^l)$
					$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$
			$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq v_m$		$(w_m^l, v_m)$	
			$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$		
			$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$			$(w_m^u, v_m)$	
	$v_m \geq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$				$(w, \underline{v})$ where $w \in [a, \underline{w}^l]$	
		$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$v_\epsilon^l \geq \hat{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$	
			$v_a^l \leq \hat{v}$			$(a, v_a^l)$	
		$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$\hat{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_a^l)$	
				$v_\epsilon^l \geq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$	
				$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$(a, \bar{v})$	
		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$\hat{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_a^l)$	
				$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l$		$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$	
			$\bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^u$		$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$			$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$		
			$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$		
$v_a^u \geq v_m$		$\hat{v} \geq v_m$				$(a, v_\epsilon^u)$	
			$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$	
				$\hat{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_a^l)$	
				$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l$		$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$	
	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$		$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$			
		$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$		$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$			
		$\hat{v} \geq v_m$			$(w_m^u, v_m)$		

where  $\hat{w}^l = a - (d - (l - a)\hat{v})/v_c$ ,  $\hat{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\hat{v})/v_c$  and  $w^l = l - d/\underline{v}$ .

**Table 11** Optimal solution when driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon.

Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	Condition 4	Condition 5	Solution	
$l \leq u \leq a$					$(w, v_f)$ where $w \in \left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, u - \frac{d}{v_c} \right]$	
$l < a < u$	$v_m \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^u \leq v_m$			$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$	
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$			$(w_m^u, v_m)$	
	$v_m \geq \bar{v}$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v}$				$(w, \bar{v})$ where $w \in [a, \bar{w}^u]$
		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_e^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$v_e^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
			$\tilde{v} \geq v_a^u$			$(\epsilon, v_e^u)$
			$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_e^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$v_e^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$(a, v_a^u)$
	$v_a^u \geq v_m$				$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$	
			$\tilde{v} \geq v_m$		$(\epsilon, v_e^u)$	
$a < l < u$	$v_m \leq \underline{v}$	$v_a^l \leq v_m$			$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$	
		$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$			$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$	
		$v_a^u \geq v_m$			$(w_m^u, v_m)$	
	$\underline{v} \leq v_m \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$				$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$
		$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$				$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$
		$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$				$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$
	$v_m \geq \bar{v}$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$				$(w_m^u, v_m)$
		$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$				$(w, \bar{v})$ where $w \in [\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$
		$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$				$(w, \bar{v})$ where $w \in [\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$
		$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$				$(w, \bar{v})$ where $w \in [a, \bar{w}^u]$
		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_e^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$v_e^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
			$\tilde{v} \geq v_a^u$			$(\epsilon, v_e^u)$
	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_e^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$v_e^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$(a, v_a^u)$	
		$\tilde{v} \geq v_m$			$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$	
					$(\epsilon, v_e^u)$	
					$(w_m^u, v_m)$	

where  $\tilde{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\tilde{v})/v_c$  and  $\bar{w}^u = u - d/\bar{v}$ .

**Table 12** Optimal solution when driver is paid from departure time

## Appendix B: Pseudocode for the DSOP procedure

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### Algorithm DSOP algorithm part 1

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1: procedure DSOP( $s, e, \epsilon$ )
2:    $[r, w_s, \dots, w_{e-1}, v_f^s, \dots, v_f^{e-1}] \leftarrow \text{SOLVE\_RELAXED}(s, e, \epsilon)$ ;
3:    $violation \leftarrow 0, p \leftarrow 0$ ;
4:   for  $i \leftarrow r + 1$  to  $e - 1$  do
5:      $g_i \leftarrow \max\{0, l_i - w_{i-1} - T_{i-1}, w_{i-1} + T_{i-1} - u_i\}$ ;
6:     if  $g_i > violation$  then
7:        $violation \leftarrow g_i, p \leftarrow i$ ;
8:     end if
9:   end for
10:  if  $violation > 0$  and  $w_{p-1} + T_{p-1} < l_p$  then
11:     $u_p \leftarrow l_p$ ;
12:     $[w_s^*, \dots, w_{p-1}^*, v_f^{s*}, \dots, v_f^{p-1*}] \leftarrow \text{DSOP}(s, p, \epsilon)$ ;
13:     $\epsilon \leftarrow \max\{w_{p-1}^* + T_{p-1}, l_p\} + h_p$ ;
14:     $a' \leftarrow \max\{\epsilon, a\}$ ;
15:     $[w_p^*, \dots, w_{e-1}^*, v_f^{p*}, \dots, v_f^{e-1*}] \leftarrow \text{DSOP}(p, e, \epsilon)$ ;
16:  end if
17:  if  $violation > 0$  and  $w_{p-1} + T_{p-1} > u_p$  then
18:     $l_p \leftarrow u_p$ ;
19:     $[w_s^*, \dots, w_{p-1}^*, v_f^{s*}, \dots, v_f^{p-1*}] \leftarrow \text{DSOP}(s, p, \epsilon_s)$ ;
20:     $\epsilon \leftarrow \max\{w_{p-1}^* + T_{p-1}, l_p\} + h_p$ ;
21:     $a' = \max\{\epsilon, a\}$ ;
22:     $[w_p^*, \dots, w_{e-1}^*, v_f^{p*}, \dots, v_f^{e-1*}] \leftarrow \text{DSOP}(p, e, \epsilon)$ ;
23:  end if
24: end procedure

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The DSOP algorithm also uses as inputs the problem parameters  $(a, v_c, d_i$  for  $i = s, \dots, e - 1, l_j, u_j, h_j$  for  $j = s, \dots, e)$  but for the sake of conciseness, these are not written as variables in the function declaration. Furthermore, the function SINGLE\_ARC\_TDPRP calculates the optimal

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**Algorithm** DSOP algorithm part 2
 

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25: function SOLVE_RELAXED( $s, e, \epsilon_s$ )
26:    $k \leftarrow s, j \leftarrow s, \epsilon \leftarrow \epsilon_s$ ;
27:   while  $\epsilon < a - d_s/v_c$  and  $k < e - 1$  do
28:      $k \leftarrow k + 1$ ;
29:      $\epsilon \leftarrow \epsilon + d_{k-1}/v_c + h_k$ ;
30:   end while
31:   while  $j \leq k$  do
32:      $d \leftarrow \sum_{i=j}^{e-1} d_i, h \leftarrow \sum_{i=j+1}^{e-1} h_i, u \leftarrow (u_e - h), l \leftarrow (l_e - h), a' \leftarrow \max\{\epsilon, a\}$ ;
33:      $(w_j, v_j) \leftarrow \text{SINGLE\_ARC\_TDPRP}(a, v_c, d, \epsilon, l, u)$ ;
34:     if  $w_j \leq a - d_j/v_c$  then
35:        $w_j \leftarrow \epsilon$ ;
36:     end if
37:      $T_j^c \leftarrow \min\{(a - w_j)^+, d/v_c\}, T_j^f \leftarrow (d - (a - w_j)^+ v_c)/v_j, T \leftarrow T_j^c + \sum_{i=s}^{j-1} d_i/v_c + T_j^f$ ;
38:      $TC^j \leftarrow f_c \lambda [\gamma \alpha (\mu + f) \sum_{i=s}^{e-1} d_i + k N_e V T_j + \beta \gamma (v_c^3 (T_j^c + \sum_{i=s}^{j-1} d_i/v_c) + v_j^3 T_j^f)] + d_c \max\{w_j + T_j^c + T_j^f + h, l_e\}$ ;
39:      $j \leftarrow j + 1$ ;
40:      $\epsilon \leftarrow \epsilon + d_{j-1}/v_c + h_j$ ;
41:   end while
42:    $TC^t \leftarrow \min\{TC^s, \dots, TC^k\}$ ;
43:    $w_s^* \leftarrow \epsilon_s$ ;
44:   for  $i \leftarrow s + 1$  to  $t - 1$  do
45:      $w_i^* \leftarrow w_{i-1}^* + d_{i-1}/v_c + h_i$ ;
46:   end for
47:    $w_t^* \leftarrow w_t$  and  $v_f^{s*} = \dots = v_f^{e-1*} \leftarrow v_t$ ;
48:   for  $i \leftarrow t + 1$  to  $e - 1$  do
49:      $w_i^* \leftarrow w_{i-1}^* + T_{i-1} + h_i$ ;
50:   end for
51:    $r^* \leftarrow t$ ;
52: end function

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values  $[r, w_s, \dots, w_{e-1}, v_f^s, \dots, v_f^{e-1}]$  using Theorem 1. We denote by  $T_j$  and  $T$  the total travel time spent by the vehicle on the arc  $(j, j + 1)$  and on the path  $(s, \dots, e)$ , respectively. Furthermore, we denote by  $T_j^c$  and  $T_j^f$  the time spent by the vehicle traveling on the path  $(j, \dots, e)$  at congestion speed and at free-flow speed, respectively.

### Appendix C: Proofs of Lemmas and Theorems

To simplify the notation in the proofs below, we let  $A = f_c \lambda \gamma \alpha (\mu + f)$ ,  $B = f_c \lambda k N_e V$  and  $C = f_c \lambda \beta \gamma$ ,  $D = d_c$ . Note that  $A, B, C, D \geq 0$ .

#### C.1. Proof of Lemma 1

*Proof of Lemma 1* First note that since  $w \leq w_m^u$ , we have  $v_m \geq v_w^u$ . For a fixed  $w$ , we need to minimize  $TC$  with respect to  $v_f$  in  $[v_w^u, v_m]$ .

When the driver is paid from the beginning of the time horizon, the total cost function  $TC$  for a fixed  $w$  as a function of the free-flow speed can be written as

$$TC(w, v_f) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)T_c(w) + (B + D + Cv_f^3)T_f(w, v_f) + D(w - \epsilon) & \text{if } v_w^u < v_f < v_w^l \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)T_c(w) + (B + Cv_f^3)T_f(w, v_f) + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } v_f \geq v_w^l. \end{cases}$$

For a fixed  $w$ , the function  $TC$  is continuous in  $v_f$  and is made of two pieces which are both convex in  $v_f$ . More precisely, the first piece is minimized at  $v_f = \bar{v}$ , while the second one at  $v_f = \underline{v}$ . Note that  $\underline{v} < \bar{v}$ .

In case (i) the first part is non-increasing and the second one is minimized at  $\underline{v}$ . If  $\underline{v} > v_m$ , the global minimum is achieved at  $v_m$ , otherwise it is achieved at  $\underline{v}$ . In case (ii) the first part is non-increasing and the second one is non-decreasing. If  $v_w^l > v_m$ , the global minimum is achieved at  $v_m$ , otherwise it is achieved at  $v_w^l$ . In case (iii) the first part is minimized at  $\bar{v}$ , while the second one is increasing. If  $\bar{v} > v_m$ , the global minimum is achieved at  $v_m$ , otherwise it is achieved at  $\bar{v}$ . Finally, in case (iv) both parts are non-decreasing so the global minimum is achieved at  $v_w^u$ .

When the driver is paid from his departure time, the total cost function has an extra  $-D(w - \epsilon)$  term, which does not depend on  $v_f$ . Hence, the solution is the same.  $\square$

## C.2. Proof of Theorem 1

*Proof of Theorem 1* In the following tables, we use circled numbers such as ① and ②, to refer to the pieces of the  $TC$  function. For each piece we use symbols such as  $\rightarrow$ ,  $\nearrow$ ,  $\searrow$  and  $\smile$ , to indicate whether the  $TC$  function is respectively constant, non-decreasing, non-increasing or convex, with respect to  $w$ .

Let  $T(w) = \min_{v_f \in [0, v_m]} TC(w, v_f)$  such that  $w + T(w, v_f) \leq u$ . We consider three cases: (1)  $l \leq u \leq a$ , (2)  $l < a < u$  and (3)  $a \leq l < u$ .

In case (1), we have:

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w \leq u - \frac{d}{v_c}. \end{cases}$$

The first piece is constant in  $w$  and the second is increasing in  $w$ . So any departure time in  $\left[ \epsilon, \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \right]$  is optimal. We summarize this information in Table 13

**Table 13** Case 1

Case	①	②	Solution
1	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w, v_f)$ with $w \in \left[ \epsilon, \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \right]$

where ① and ② are the time regions delimited by the breakpoints:  $\max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\}$  and  $u - \frac{d}{v_c}$ .

In case (2), we distinguish two subcases: (2.1)  $v_m < \bar{v}$ , (2.2)  $v_m \geq \bar{v}$ .

In case (2.1):

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 14 gives the solution depending on which piece contains the value  $a$ .

**Table 14** Case 2.1

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	①	②	③	④	Solution
2.1.1.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\}, w_m^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \check{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, v_m)$
2.1.1.2	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\}, w_m^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_m)$
2.1.2.1	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \check{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, v_m)$
2.1.2.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$		$(\epsilon, v_m)$

In some cases, there are two possible solutions. Then, the optimal solution can be obtained by calculating the cost associated with each one of them to find out which is the least (note that this needs to be done only if  $\epsilon < a - \frac{d}{v_c}$ , otherwise the solution with  $w > \epsilon$  is the optimal one).

In case (2.2)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C\bar{v}^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\bar{v}} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_w^u)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^u} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

where

$$\bar{w}^u = \begin{cases} a - \frac{d - (u - a)\bar{v}}{v_c} & \text{if } v_a^u \geq \bar{v} \\ u - \frac{d}{v} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Table 15 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 15** Case 2.2

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	①	②	③	④	⑤	Solution
2.2.1.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\}, \bar{w}^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, \bar{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.1.2		$v_a^u \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.2.1.1	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.2.1.2		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.2.2.1	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\curvearrowright$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.2.2.2		$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.2.3	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_a^u)$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.3.1.1	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.3.1.2		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.3.2.1	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\curvearrowright$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
2.2.3.2.2		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.3.3	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^u, v_m)$ or $(\epsilon, \bar{v})$

where  $\hat{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\hat{v})/v_c$ .

In case (3), we distinguish three subcases: (3.1)  $v_m < \underline{v}$ , (3.2)  $\underline{v} \leq v_m < \bar{v}$ , (3.3)  $v_m \geq \bar{v}$ .

In case (3.1)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_m^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} + Dw & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 16 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 16** Case 3.1

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	①	②	③	④	Solution
3.1.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \right)$	$v_a^l \leq v_m$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^l]$
3.1.2.1		$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_m)$
3.1.2.1	$\left[ w_m^l, w_m^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \geq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\}, v_m)$
3.1.3.1		$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^u, v_m)$
3.1.3.2	$\left[ w_m^l, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\}, v_m)$

In case (3.2)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + Cv^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_w^l)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^l} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \max \{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \} \leq w < \max \{ \epsilon, w_m^l \} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m^l)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m^l} + Dw & \text{if } \max \{ \epsilon, (w_m^l) \} \leq w \leq w_m^u, \end{cases}$$

where

$$\underline{w}^l = \begin{cases} a - \frac{d - (l - a)v}{v} & \text{if } v_a^l \geq v \\ l - \frac{d}{v} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Table 17 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 17** Case 3.2

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	①	②	③	④	⑤	Solution
3.2.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, \underline{w}^l \right)$	$v_a^l \leq v$			$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w, \underline{v})$ where $w \in [a, \underline{w}^l]$
3.2.2.1.1	$(\underline{w}^l, w_m^l)$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$($	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.2.2.1.2	$(\underline{w}^l, w_m^l)$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.2.2.2	$(\underline{w}^l, w_m^l)$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$	$v_a^l \leq \hat{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_a^l)$
3.2.3.1.1	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$($	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.2.3.1.2	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m \leq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.2.3.1.3	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_m)$
3.2.3.2.1	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq v_m$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^l, v_m)$
3.2.3.2.2	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_m)$
3.2.3.3	$(w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \geq \check{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_m)$
3.2.4.1.1	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$($	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.2.4.1.2	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m \leq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.2.4.1.3	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_m)$
3.2.4.2.1	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq v_m$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^l, v_m)$
3.2.4.2.2	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$v_m \leq \hat{v} \leq \check{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq v_m$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_m)$
3.2.4.3	$(w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq \check{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^u, v_m)$

where  $\hat{w}^l = a - (d - (l - a)\hat{v})/v_c$ .

In case (3.3):

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + Cv^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_w^l)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^l} + D(l - \epsilon) & \text{if } \max \{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \} \leq w < \max \{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^l \} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C\bar{v}^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\bar{v}} + Dw & \text{if } \max \{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^l \} \leq w < \max \{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_w^u)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^u} + Dw & \text{if } \max \{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \} \leq w \leq w_m^u \end{cases}$$

where

$$\bar{w}^l = \begin{cases} a - \frac{d - (l - a)\bar{v}}{v_c} & \text{if } v_a^l \geq \bar{v} \\ l - \frac{d}{\bar{v}} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Table 18 gives the solution for all subcases.

Table 18 Case 3.3

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	Solution
3.3.1	$\max\left\{\epsilon, \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)\right\}, \epsilon^l$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$			$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w, \underline{v})$ where $w \in [a, \underline{w}^l]$
3.3.2.1.1	$[\underline{w}^l, \bar{w}^l]$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.3.2.1.2	$[\underline{w}^l, \bar{w}^l]$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \geq \hat{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.3.2.2	$[\underline{w}^l, \bar{w}^l]$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \bar{v}$	$v_a^l \leq \hat{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_a^l)$
3.3.3.1.1	$[\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.3.3.1.2	$[\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l \leq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.3.3.1.3	$[\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \geq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
3.3.3.2	$[\bar{w}^l, \bar{w}^u]$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_a^l$	$\hat{v} \geq \bar{v}$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, \bar{v})$
3.3.4.1.1	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.3.4.1.2	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l \leq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.3.4.1.3	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
3.3.4.1.4	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$\bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^u$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.4.2.1	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$
3.3.4.2.2	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.4.3	$[\bar{w}^u, w_m^u]$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq v_a^u$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_a^u)$
3.3.5.1.1	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^l \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^l, \hat{v})$
3.3.5.1.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$\hat{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l \leq \bar{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^l)$
3.3.5.1.3	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^l$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, \bar{v})$
3.3.5.1.4	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \leq \bar{v}$	$\bar{v} \leq v_\epsilon^u$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.5.2.1	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \hat{v}$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\hat{w}^u, \hat{v})$
3.3.5.2.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\bar{v} \leq \hat{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \hat{v}$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.5.3	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\hat{v} \geq v_m$		$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$(w_m^u, v_m)$

where  $\hat{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\hat{v})/v_c$  and  $\hat{w}^l = a - (d - (l - a)\hat{v})/v_c$ .

□

### C.3. Proof of Theorem 2

*Proof of Theorem 2* Let  $T(w) = \min_{v_f \in [\epsilon, v_m]} TC(w, v_f)$  such that  $w + T(w, v_f) \leq u$ . We consider three cases: (1)  $l \leq u \leq a$ , (2)  $l < a < u$  and (3)  $a \leq l < u$ .

In case (1), we have

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } \max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\} \leq w \leq u - \frac{d}{v_c}. \end{cases}$$

The first piece is decreasing in  $w$  and the second is constant in  $w$ . So any departure time in  $\left[\max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\}, u\right]$  is optimal. We summarize this information in Table 19.

Table 19 Case 1

Case	①	②	Solution
1	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$(w, v_f)$ with $w \in \left[\max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\}, u - \frac{d}{v_c}\right]$

In case 2 we distinguish two subcases: (2.1)  $v_m < \bar{v}$ , (2.2)  $v_m \geq \bar{v}$ .

In case (2.1)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } \max\left\{\epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c}\right\} \leq w < \max\left\{\epsilon, \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)\right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} & \text{if } \max\left\{\epsilon, \left(a - \frac{d}{v_c}\right)\right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 20 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 20** Case 2.1

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	①	②	③	④	Solution
2.1.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, w_m^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$
2.1.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$

In case (2.2)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, l - \frac{d}{v_c} \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + Cv_c^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\bar{v}} & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_w^u)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^u} & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \bar{w}^u \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 21 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 21** Case 2.2

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	①	②	③	④	⑤	Solution
2.2.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, \bar{w}^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq \bar{v}$			$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w, \bar{v})$ where $w \in [a, \bar{w}^u]$
2.2.2.1.1	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
2.2.2.1.2	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.2.2	$\left[ \bar{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\bar{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \geq v_a^u$		$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(a, v_a^u)$
2.2.3.1.1	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \tilde{v}$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
2.2.3.1.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \tilde{v}$	$\searrow$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
2.2.3.2	$[w_m^u, \infty)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \geq v_m$		$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$\nearrow$	$(w_m^u, v_m)$

where  $\tilde{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\tilde{v})/v_c$ .

In case 3 we distinguish three subcases: (3.1)  $v_m < \underline{v}$ , (3.2)  $\underline{v} \leq v_m < \bar{v}$ , (3.3)  $v_m \geq \bar{v}$ .

In case (3.1)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_m)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 22 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 22** Case 3.1

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	①	②	③	④	Solution
3.1.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, w_m^l \right)$	$v_a^l \leq v_m$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$
3.1.2	$[w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^l \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\rightarrow$	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$
3.1.3	$[w_m^l, w_m^u)$	$v_a^l \geq v_m$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$	$\searrow$		$(w_m^u, v_m)$ .

In case (3.2)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\underline{v}} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_w^l)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^l} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \underline{w}^l \right\} \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_m)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_m} & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, w_m^l \right\} \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 23 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 23** Case 3.2

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	①	②	③	④	⑤	Solution
3.2.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, \underline{w}^l \right)$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$	↘	↘	↘	↘	→	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$
3.2.2	$\left[ \underline{w}^l, w_m^l \right)$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq v_m$	↘	↘	↘	↘	→	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [w_m^l, w_m^u]$
3.2.3	$\left[ w_m^l, w_m^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq v_m \leq v_a^l$	↘	↘	↘	↘	→	$(w, v_m)$ where $w \in [a, w_m^u]$
3.2.4	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	↘	↘	↘	↘		$(w_m^u, v_m)$

In case (3.3)

$$TC(w) = \begin{cases} Ad + (B + Cv_c^3) \frac{d}{v_c} + Dl & \text{if } \epsilon \leq w < \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C\underline{v}^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\underline{v}} + D(l - w) & \text{if } \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\} \leq w < (\underline{w}^l)^+ \\ Ad + (B + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + C(v_w^l)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^l} + D(l - w) & \text{if } (\underline{w}^l)^+ \leq w < (\overline{w}^l)^+ \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C\overline{v}^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{\overline{v}} & \text{if } (\overline{w}^l)^+ \leq w < (\overline{w}^u)^+ \\ Ad + (B + D + Cv_c^3)(a - w)^+ + (B + D + C(v_w^u)^3) \frac{d - (a - w)^+ v_c}{v_w^u} & \text{if } (\overline{w}^u)^+ \leq w \leq w_m^u. \end{cases}$$

Table 24 gives the solution in all possible subcases.

**Table 24** Case 3.3

Case	$a \in$	Condition 1	Condition 2	Condition 3	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥	Solution
3.3.1	$\left[ \max \left\{ \epsilon, \left( a - \frac{d}{v_c} \right) \right\}, \underline{w}^l \right)$	$v_a^l \leq \underline{v}$			↘	↘	↘	↘	→	↗	$(w, \overline{v})$ where $w \in [\overline{w}^l, \overline{w}^u]$
3.3.2	$\left[ \underline{w}^l, \overline{w}^l \right)$	$\underline{v} \leq v_a^l \leq \overline{v}$			↘	↘	↘	↘	→	↗	$(w, \overline{v})$ where $w \in [\overline{w}^l, \overline{w}^u]$
3.3.3	$\left[ \overline{w}^l, \overline{w}^u \right)$	$v_a^u \leq \overline{v} \leq v_a^l$			↘	↘	↘	↘	→	↗	$(w, \overline{v})$ where $w \in [a, \overline{w}^u]$
3.3.4.1.1	$\left[ \overline{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\overline{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \tilde{v}$	↘	↘	↘	↘	(	↗	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
3.3.4.1.2	$\left[ \overline{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\overline{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_a^u$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \tilde{v}$	↘	↘	↘	↘	(	↗	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.4.1	$\left[ \overline{w}^u, w_m^u \right)$	$\overline{v} \leq v_a^u \leq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \geq v_a^u$		↘	↘	↘	↘	(	↗	$(a, v_a^u)$
3.3.5.1.1	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u > v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \leq \tilde{v}$	↘	↘	↘	↘	(	↗	$(\tilde{w}^u, \tilde{v})$
3.3.5.1.2	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u > v_m$	$\tilde{v} \leq v_m$	$v_\epsilon^u \geq \tilde{v}$	↘	↘	↘	↘	(	↗	$(\epsilon, v_\epsilon^u)$
3.3.5.1	$\left[ w_m^u, \infty \right)$	$v_a^u \geq v_m$	$\tilde{v} \geq v_m$		↘	↘	↘	↘			$(w_m^u, v_m)$

where  $\tilde{w}^u = a - (d - (u - a)\tilde{v})/v_c$ .

□

#### C.4. Proof of Theorem 3

*Proof of Theorem 3* The result follows from a careful comparison of the cases listed in Table 11 in Theorem 1 and in Table 12 in Theorem 2. □

#### C.5. Proof of Lemma 2

*Proof of part (i).* The proof is by contradiction.

Suppose that there exists an optimal solution (denoted by  $S^*$ ) where the speed on one arc is lower than  $\underline{v}$ . Without loss of generality, suppose that this arc belongs to the route  $(0, \dots, n+1)$ , where  $n+1$  is a copy of the depot. Let  $w_i^*$  denote the optimal departure time from node  $i$  and let  $v_i^*$  denote the optimal speed on arc  $(i, i+1)$ . So there exists  $k \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  such that  $v_k^* < \underline{v}$ .

The total cost associated with this route is  $\sum_{i=0}^n f_c F_i(w_i^*, v_i^*) + d_c W(w_0^*, \dots, w_n^*, v_0^*, \dots, v_n^*)$ , where  $F_i$  denotes the fuel cost on arc  $(i, i+1)$  and  $W$  is the total time the driver is paid for.

We construct an alternative solution (denoted by  $S'$ ) as follows: let  $w'_i = w_i^*$  for  $i = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $v'_i = v_i^*$  for  $i = 0, \dots, k-1, k+1, \dots, n$  and  $v'_k = \underline{v}$ . In other words, we increase the speed on arc  $(k, k+1)$  to  $\underline{v}$  and we keep the same departure time from node  $k+1$  (unless  $k = n$ ) by adding some extra waiting time. The resulting solution is feasible since the arrival time at each node is at

most equal to that in the optimal solution. Compared to  $S^*$ , in  $S'$  the total time the driver is paid for ( $W$ ) can only decrease (it decreases if  $k = n$ , otherwise it remains the same). Whereas the fuel cost ( $F_i$ ) is the same on every arc except on arc  $(k, k + 1)$ , where it decreases since  $\underline{v}$  is the speed that minimizes the fuel cost for a given departure time in a one-arc problem as shown in Section 5. Therefore, the alternative solution  $S'$  yields a total cost lower than the optimal solution  $S^*$  and this leads to a contradiction.

*Proof of part (ii).* The proof is by contradiction.

Suppose that there exists an optimal solution (denoted by  $S^*$ ) where the speed on the first arc of a route is lower than  $\min\{\bar{v}, v_m\}$ . Without loss of generality, suppose that this arc belongs to the route  $(0, \dots, n + 1)$ , where  $n + 1$  is a copy of the depot. Let  $w_i^*$  denote the optimal departure time from node  $i$  and let  $v_i^*$  denote the optimal speed on arc  $(i, i + 1)$ . So we have  $v_0^* \leq \min\{\bar{v}, v_m\}$ .

The total cost associated with this route is  $\sum_{i=0}^n f_c F_i(w_i^*, v_i^*) + d_c W(w_0^*, \dots, w_n^*, v_0^*, \dots, v_n^*)$ , where  $F_i$  denotes the fuel cost on arc  $(i, i + 1)$  and  $W$  is the total time the driver is paid for. This cost function can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f_c F_i(w_i^*, v_i^*) + d_c W_{1, \dots, n}(w_1^*, \dots, w_n^*, v_1^*, \dots, v_n^*) + f_c F_0(w_0^*, v_0^*) + d_c W_0(w_0^*, v_0^*) \quad (25)$$

where  $W_{1, \dots, n}$  is the time spent from the arrival at node 1 until the return to the depot and  $W_0$  is the time spent from the departure from the depot to the arrival at node 1. Note that the last two terms in (25) correspond to the total cost function of a one-arc TDPRP when the driver is paid from his departure time.

We construct an alternative solution (denoted by  $S'$ ) as follows: let  $w'_i = w_i^*$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $v'_i = v_i^*$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $v'_0 = \min\{\bar{v}, v_m\}$  and  $w'_0 > w_0^*$  such that the arrival time at node 1 is the same in  $S'$  as in  $S^*$ . The departure times and free-flow speeds on arcs  $(i, i + 1)$  where  $i = 1, \dots, n$  remain unchanged and therefore the resulting solution is feasible. For the same reasons, in both solutions  $S^*$  and  $S'$  the first two terms of the 25 remain the same. Whereas, as results from the proof of Theorem 2, the last two terms 25 are lower in  $S'$  compared to  $S^*$ . Hence, we have a contradiction.  $\square$

## Appendix D: Computational Results

### D.1. Results on PRP instances

**Table 25** Comparison of PRP versus TDPRP formulations with respect to computational time

Instance	PRP		TDPRP	
	£	s	£	s
UK10_01	170.66	163.40	170.66	10.71
UK10_02	204.87	113.90	204.88	3.73
UK10_03	200.33	926.00	200.34	3.36
UK10_04	189.94	396.50	189.95	5.00
UK10_05	175.61	1253.70	175.62	4.93
UK10_06	214.56	347.50	214.53	3.43
UK10_07	190.14	191.00	190.15	5.06
UK10_08	222.16	139.80	222.17	2.23
UK10_09	174.53	54.00	174.54	4.64
UK10_10	189.83	76.00	189.84	2.83
UK10_11	262.07	50.50	262.08	4.40
UK10_12	183.18	1978.70	183.19	14.71
UK10_13	195.97	1235.10	195.97	2.94
UK10_14	163.17	84.10	163.18	2.77
UK10_15	127.15	433.30	127.16	6.25
UK10_16	186.63	680.80	186.63	7.03
UK10_17	159.07	27.00	159.08	3.22
UK10_18	162.09	522.10	162.09	4.19
UK10_19	169.46	130.50	169.46	1.52
UK10_20	168.8	1365.50	168.81	17.44
Average		508.47		5.52

The PRP results in columns 2 and 3 are taken from Demir et al. (2012). The reason behind the slight discrepancy between the values in columns 2 and 4 is due to numerical approximation.

### D.2. Results on TDPRP instances

Each table reports the two cases: (i) driver paid from the beginning of the time horizon, (ii) driver paid from his departure time. In both cases the tables display, for each instance, the cost values of the  $S_D$  and  $S_N$  solutions (denoted by  $TC(S_N)$  and  $TC(S_D)$ ) and the CPU times (in seconds) required to construct these solutions (denoted by  $t(S_N)$  and  $t(S_D)$ ). Under the last column are reposted the cost savings of incorporating traffic congestion when planning the vehicles' routes and schedules.

**Table 26** Computational results for 10-node instances with initial congestion period of 3600 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK10.01	2	inf.	4.621	183.98	6.01	-	177.97	3.989	168.14	6.05	5.52
UK10.02	2	225.1	3.086	218.9	3.63	2.75	220.26	1.811	203.06	6.79	7.81
UK10.03	2	219.33	12.878	213.34	8.76	2.73	210.54	8.329	197.5	2.94	6.19
UK10.04	2	209.97	2.83	202.17	2.20	3.71	187.18	1.359	185.88	2.65	0.69
UK10.05	2	195.8	3.994	188.07	3.95	3.95	185.77	1.235	172.23	3.27	7.29
UK10.06	2	inf.	2.549	229.13	3.55	-	inf.	2.213	213.29	5.86	-
UK10.07	2	210.37	1.536	205.18	3.31	2.47	203.98	1.81	189.34	3.35	7.18
UK10.08	2	242.26	1.831	237.17	2.46	2.1	242.26	1.094	221.33	2.11	8.64
UK10.09	2	194.82	2.59	189.73	2.97	2.61	194.82	2.858	173.89	3.23	10.74
UK10.10	2	210.03	1.913	204.89	2.56	2.44	209.59	2.259	189.05	2.75	9.80
UK10.11	2	inf.	2.71	277.12	2.57	-	inf.	1.922	261.28	2.71	-
UK10.12	2	198.41	5.318	193.65	4.20	2.4	181.64	2.524	177.81	3.88	2.11
UK10.13	2	216.19	1.788	208.37	2.08	3.61	205.72	1.18	192.53	2.04	6.41
UK10.14	2	inf.	1.535	179.84	17.40	-	inf.	1.202	164.72	6.40	-
UK10.15	2	141.13	3.064	135.46	4.01	4.02	123.22	2.734	119.62	4.39	2.92
UK10.16	2	206.25	4.966	198.86	4.20	3.58	194.8	5.03	183.02	5.60	6.05
UK10.17	2	inf.	2.165	171.6	2.51	-	inf.	1.344	155.76	2.81	-
UK10.18	2	182.37	3.779	173.96	6.04	4.61	inf.	2.897	158	4.42	-
UK10.19	2	inf.	1.738	181.28	5.38	-	inf.	2.292	165.44	5.61	-
UK10.20	2	189.06	8.368	181.68	11.84	3.9	178.83	14.637	165.84	14.38	7.27

**Table 27** Computational results for 10-node instances with initial congestion period of 7200 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK10.01	2	inf.	4.621	201.759	22.609	-	inf.	3.989	170.079	20.347	-
UK10.02	2	inf.	3.086	241.305	12.883	-	inf.	1.811	210.629	23.02	-
UK10.03	2	240.03	12.878	229.692	30.295	4.31	231.47	8.329	198.012	20.987	14.46
UK10.04	2	230.84	2.83	217.561	4.886	5.75	206.4	1.359	185.881	3.536	9.94
UK10.05	2	216.68	3.994	203.912	4.323	5.89	206.71	1.235	172.232	4.362	16.68
UK10.06	2	inf.	2.549	249.982	6.606	-	inf.	2.213	218.302	12.376	-
UK10.07	2	231.31	1.536	221.305	5.895	4.32	inf.	1.81	189.625	3.744	-
UK10.08	2	263.19	1.831	253.009	2.43	3.87	263.19	1.094	221.329	1.964	15.91
UK10.09	2	215.75	2.59	205.569	4.705	4.72	215.75	2.858	173.889	5.064	19.40
UK10.10	2	230.94	1.913	220.735	3.602	4.42	230.53	2.259	189.054	3.823	17.99
UK10.11	2	inf.	2.71	296.274	3.923	-	inf.	1.922	264.594	2.923	-
UK10.12	2	219.28	5.318	208.748	21.781	4.8	202.64	2.524	177.807	4.435	12.25
UK10.13	2	inf.	1.788	224.214	2.944	-	226.65	1.18	192.535	2.629	15.05
UK10.14	2	inf.	1.535	199.359	5.322	-	inf.	1.202	167.679	5.443	-
UK10.15	2	inf.	3.064	152.872	9.701	-	inf.	2.734	121.192	8.282	-
UK10.16	2	226.95	4.966	214.698	6.528	5.4	215.73	5.03	183.019	6.013	15.16
UK10.17	2	inf.	2.165	207.46	32.347	-	inf.	1.344	175.831	16.013	-
UK10.18	2	inf.	3.779	189.683	11.334	-	inf.	2.897	158.003	7.033	-
UK10.19	2	inf.	1.738	199.145	6.484	-	inf.	2.292	167.471	5.816	-
UK10.20	2	209.99	8.368	197.515	18.795	5.94	197.25	14.637	165.835	12.468	15.92

**Table 28** Computational results for 15-node instances with initial congestion period of 3600 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK15.01	2	inf.	234.876	299.06	556.779	-	inf.	667.671	283.22	618.285	-
UK15.02	2	226	25.921	219.36	30.368	2.94	213.31	28.081	203.52	35.623	4.59
UK15.03	2	inf.	4746.72	316.59	3186.76	-	inf.	7422	300.75	6316.59	-
UK15.04	3	inf.	71.642	318.5	53.856	-	inf.	24.984	294.74	33.259	-
UK15.05	2	inf.	14.173	299.9	40.135	-	inf.	41.472	284.06	27.854	-
UK15.06	2	inf.	8862	244.05	1050.61	-	240.6	2221.46	228.21	1932.42	5.15
UK15.07	3	281.15	26.713	269.44	6.444	4.16	261.56	8.188	245.68	9.836	6.07
UK15.08	2	185.47	162.844	178.97	33.585	3.51	171.94	75.109	163.13	52.407	5.12
UK15.09	3	293.51	1138.32	281.89	70.983	3.96	278.86	126.323	258.11	105.375	7.44
UK15.10	2	234.14	40.695	227.71	42.992	2.74	225.05	30.757	211.87	53.35	5.85
UK15.11	2	inf.	20.694	275.26	232.202	-	inf.	26.448	259.42	123.375	-
UK15.12	3	340.57	24.63	330.51	19.709	2.95	331.72	38.737	306.75	36.773	7.53
UK15.13	2	inf.	909.862	265.09	1028.96	-	inf.	1939.6	249.25	1379.09	-
UK15.14	2	inf.	3083.37	inf.	2871.24	-	inf.	10130	inf.	2408.28	-
UK15.15	2	239.81	48.446	232.81	96.552	2.92	219	134.975	216.97	155.686	0.93
UK15.16	2	224.67	27.339	214.37	7.879	4.58	208.32	7.297	198.53	44.555	4.70
UK15.17	3	inf.	9.823	302.04	5.002	-	300.07	5.176	278.28	6.245	7.26
UK15.18	3	inf.	58.385	332.4	10.292	-	inf.	27.238	308.65	21.238	-
UK15.19	2	184.85	9.464	178.31	4.504	3.54	176.81	4.235	162.47	6.814	8.11
UK15.20	3	inf.	16.278	220.57	7.095	-	inf.	2.836	196.81	9.424	-

**Table 29** Computational results for 15-node instances with initial congestion period of 7200 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK15.01	2	inf.	234.675	337.71	2489.17	-	inf.	667.671	306.424	2972.56	-
UK15.02	2	inf.	25.859	235.40	63.909	-	231.955	28.081	203.723	42.193	12.17
UK15.03	2	inf.	4858.37	inf.	476.417	-	inf.	7422	inf.	748.034	-
UK15.04	3	inf.	71.58	343.16	67.644	-	inf.	24.984	295.64	194.174	-
UK15.05	2	inf.	14.136	349.49	272.127	-	inf.	41.472	331.041	520.049	-
UK15.06	2	inf.	8856.99	263.74	1853.29	-	inf.	2221.46	232.062	2105.63	-
UK15.07	3	inf.	26.68	304.60	168.012	-	inf.	8.188	257.08	114.883	-
UK15.08	2	206.04	162.787	194.81	70.76	5.45	192.867	75.109	163.125	60.499	15.42
UK15.09	3	inf.	1137.68	306.18	234.592	-	inf.	126.323	258.656	290.286	-
UK15.10	2	inf.	40.646	245.23	74.021	-	inf.	30.757	213.553	44.76	-
UK15.11	2	inf.	20.684	337.12	824.139	-	inf.	26.448	308.15	790.047	-
UK15.12	3	inf.	24.61	354.41	31.765	-	inf.	38.737	69.5452	72.182	-
UK15.13	2	inf.	913.76	282.77	2093.01	-	inf.	1939.6	262.932	5685.92	-
UK15.14	2	inf.	3079.17	inf.	6.475	-	inf.	10130	inf.	6.63	-
UK15.15	2	260.51	48.302	248.65	94.523	4.55	inf.	134.975	216.972	106.012	-
UK15.16	2	245.24	27.304	230.21	11.012	6.13	inf.	7.297	198.533	12.89	13.40
UK15.17	3	inf.	9.795	325.80	14.139	-	inf.	5.176	278.28	14.343	16.10
UK15.18	3	inf.	58.323	363.74	173.09	-	inf.	27.238	316.224	417.771	-
UK15.19	2	202.42	9.474	194.15	13.227	4.09	197.739	4.235	162.465	10.802	17.84
UK15.20	3	inf.	16.227	244.55	243.154	-	inf.	2.836	200.675	71.206	-

**Table 30** Computational results for 20-node instances with initial congestion period of 3600 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK20.01	3	347.16	416.29	337.86	265.72	2.68	328.9	212.494	314.1	169.662	4.5
UK20.02	3	365.84	295.04	352.88	225.98	3.54	inf.	321.042	329.12	161.038	-
UK20.03	3	233.27	76.69	224.01	44.97	3.97	216.53	66.346	200.01	42.364	7.63
UK20.04	3	354.83	3360.44	347.12	1546.29	2.17	354.34	2929.29	323.36	1919.35	8.74
UK20.05	3	325.59	258.29	317.36	360.26	2.53	312.87	370.708	292.12	219.976	6.63
UK20.06	3	349.35*	2124.82	365.02*	5637.66	-	339.50*	6701.12	347.27*	1520.5	-
UK20.07	3	255.39	1456.06	246.935*	2394.83	-	223.1*	10800.4	223.4*	1091.46	-
UK20.08	3	307.47	575.73	298.25	54.03	3.00	288.17	232.228	274.1	83.39	4.88
UK20.09	3	inf.	54.36	345.02	169.47	-	inf.	32.644	321.26	119.142	-
UK20.10	3	291.58*	3977.50	310.91	1816.07	-	307.98	9120.02	287.15	2288.59	6.76
UK20.11	3	391.00	140.35	381.58	38.50	2.41	374.23	173.63	357.82	234.211	4.38
UK20.12	3	346.02	2253.71	334.63	463.88	3.29	322.48	1853.51	310.87	463.902	3.6
UK20.13	3	339.15	83.24	329.86	176.90	2.74	327.46	128.737	306.1	74.618	6.52
UK20.14	3	inf.*	10799.60	inf.*	1701.06	-	inf.*	2521.06	inf.*	1651.95	-
UK20.15	3	349.63	642.49	338.37	607.60	3.22	327.47	3105.17	313.94	800.895	4.13
UK20.16	3	358.16	741.31	346.36	170.18	3.30	331.72	895.873	322.6	149.282	2.75
UK20.17	3	inf.	905.97	379.72*	2170.39	-	inf.	2498.11	355.607	5864.8	-
UK20.18	3	inf.	445.71	367.47	1132.39	-	inf.	1357.34	343.71	685.198	-
UK20.19	3	351.16	1926.32	343.36	3405.90	2.22	349.63	253.101	319.6	2524.09	8.59
UK20.20	3	354.13	11.56	343.13	15.56	3.11	337.82	10.089	319.37	13.752	5.46

\* Not solved to optimality.

**Table 31** Computational results for 20-node instances with initial congestion period of 7200 seconds

Instance	# of vehicles	Drivers paid from the beginning of the time horizon					Drivers paid from departure				
		$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %	$TC(S_N)$ £	$t(S_N)$ s	$TC(S_D)$ £	$t(S_D)$ s	Saving %
UK20.01	3	inf.	416.29	362.44	286.10	-	inf.	212.49	314.9	673.14	-
UK20.02	3	inf.	295.04	378.75	207.29	-	inf.	321.04	331.2	541.942	-
UK20.03	3	264.38	76.69	247.53	158.97	6.37	245.9	66.35	200.0	100.151	18.66
UK20.04	3	inf.	3360.44	371.80	4318.09	-	inf.	2929.29	324.3	4647.32	-
UK20.05	3	356.9	258.29	340.60	894.88	4.57	inf.	370.71	293.1	940.19	-
UK20.06	3	349.35*	2124.82	412.04*	10799.80	-	339.50*	6701.12	inf.	-	-
UK20.07	3	285.35	1456.06	270.63*	7058.32	-	223.17*	10800.40	inf.*	4299.49	-
UK20.08	3	338.8	575.73	321.91	128.01	4.99	inf.	232.23	274.4	119.653	-
UK20.09	3	inf.	54.36	379.15	676.14	-	inf.	32.64	331.8	1761.27	-
UK20.10	3	291.58*	3977.50	335.73*	4271.10	-	inf.	9120.02	288.8	7355.26	-
UK20.11	3	inf.	140.35	414.64	2554.09	-	inf.	173.63	368.2	2471.3	-
UK20.12	3	inf.	2253.71	361.30	3523.84	-	inf.	1853.51	316.2	3076.75	-
UK20.13	3	inf.	83.24	360.09	2171.69	-	inf.	128.74	312.6	1884.26	-
UK20.14	3	inf.*	10799.60	inf.*	1954.92	-	inf.*	2521.06	inf.*	1779.78	-
UK20.15	3	inf.	642.49	366.01	3407.18	-	inf.	3105.17	318.5	5048.37	-
UK20.16	3	inf.	741.31	370.12	748.19	-	363.12	895.87	322.6	1811.35	11.16
UK20.17	3	inf.	905.97	410.747*	10800.80	-	inf.	2498.11	369.13*	10797.9	-
UK20.18	3	inf.	445.71	395.57	4054.01	-	inf.	1357.34	351.65*	10799.5	-
UK20.19	3	inf.	1926.32	371.63	9726.61	-	inf.	253.10	324.111*	10799.5	-
UK20.20	3	inf.	11.56	367.51	21.24	-	inf.	10.09	320.0	36.212	-

\* Not solved to optimality

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