



## Decision Support for Maintenance Planning

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- What is maintenance planning?
- Context of INFRA ALERT
- Achieved results
- Conclusion





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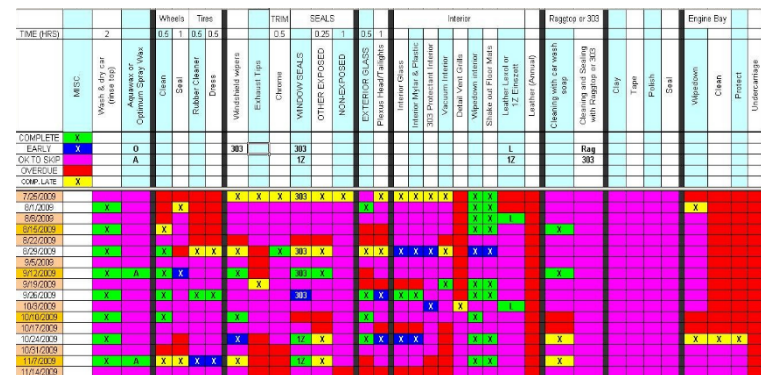
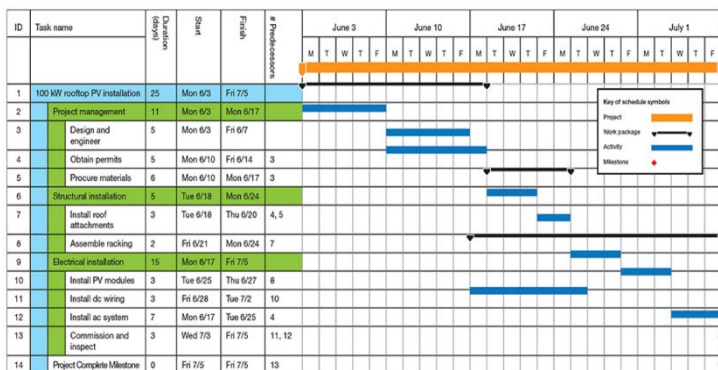


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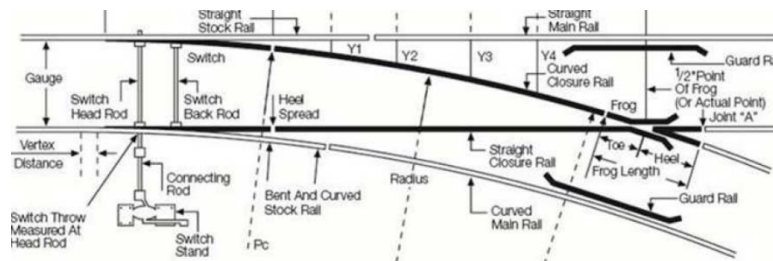




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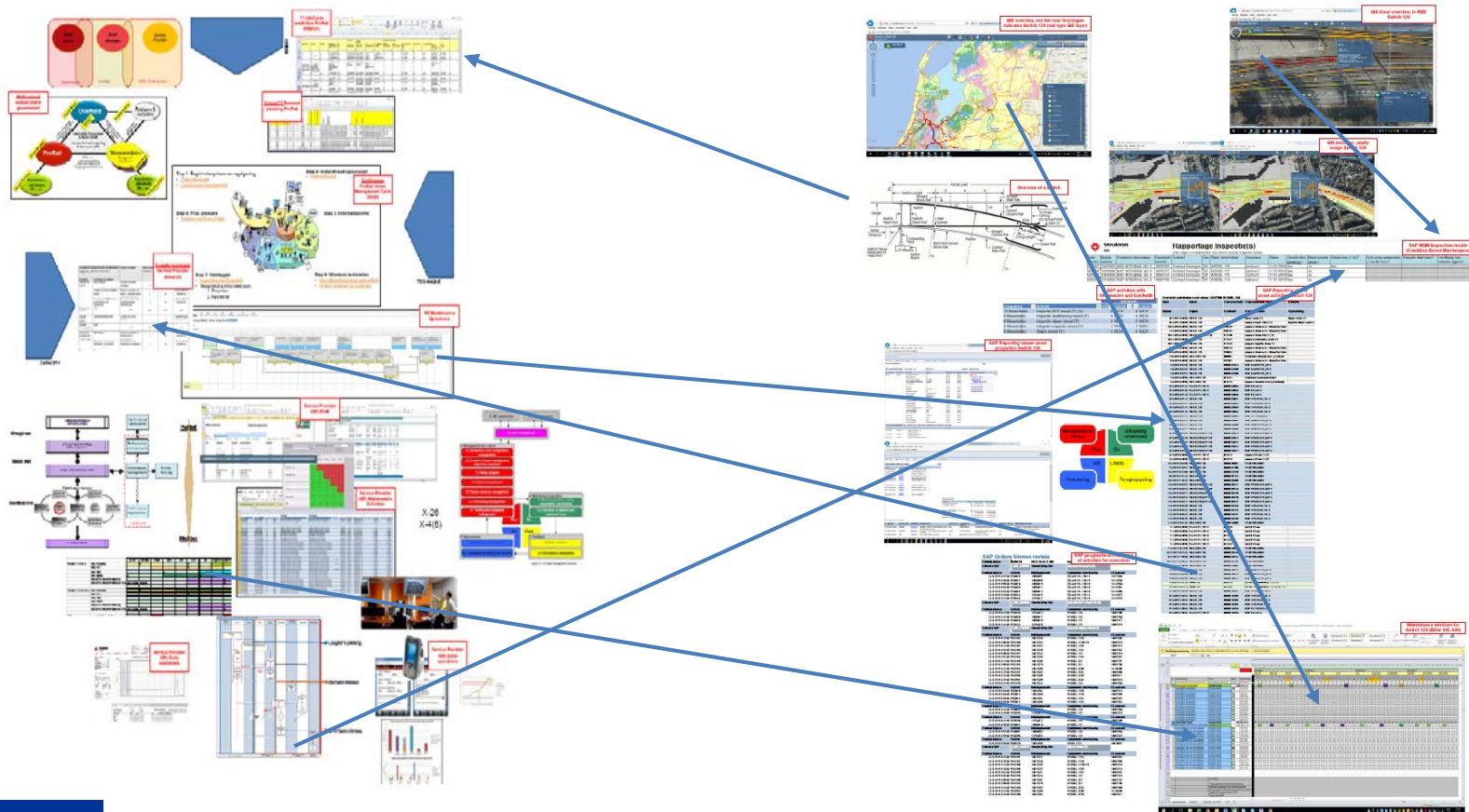
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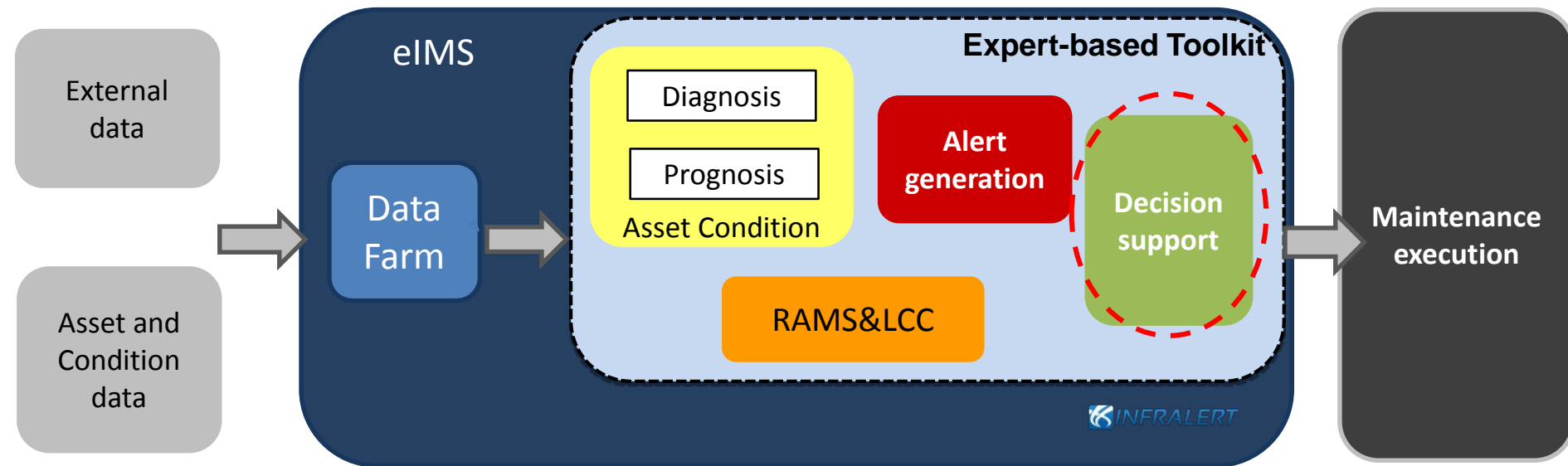
➤ **Structured approach using a formal model**

➤ **Support by IT tools to :** → Make use of all information  
→ Tackle complexity  
→ Evaluate alternatives





- Decision support as “final step” combining and using the generated information/knowledge from the previous investigations

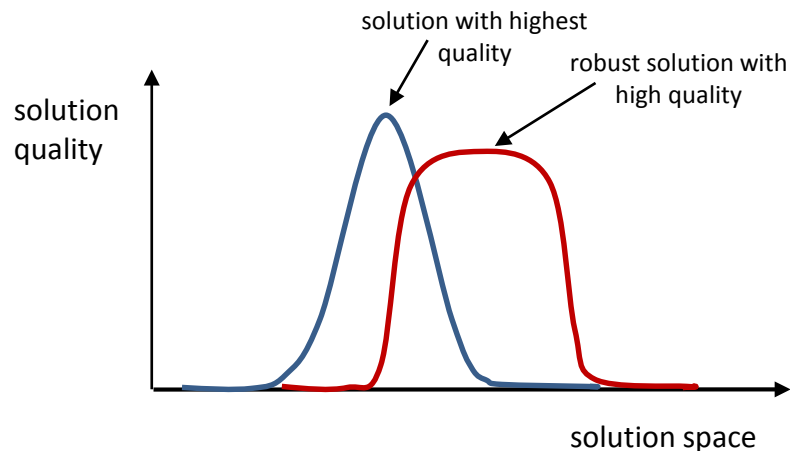




## Uncertain information has to be considered:

- Predictions of future conditions
  - result in “most probable interventions”
  - costs/efforts for maintenance vary (planned vs. actual)
- RAMS parameter only estimated

## Calls for robust planning concepts:





- **Theoretical part**

- **Framework for Decision Support**

- **Practical part**

- **Modelling of use cases**

- (i.e. from informal to formal description)





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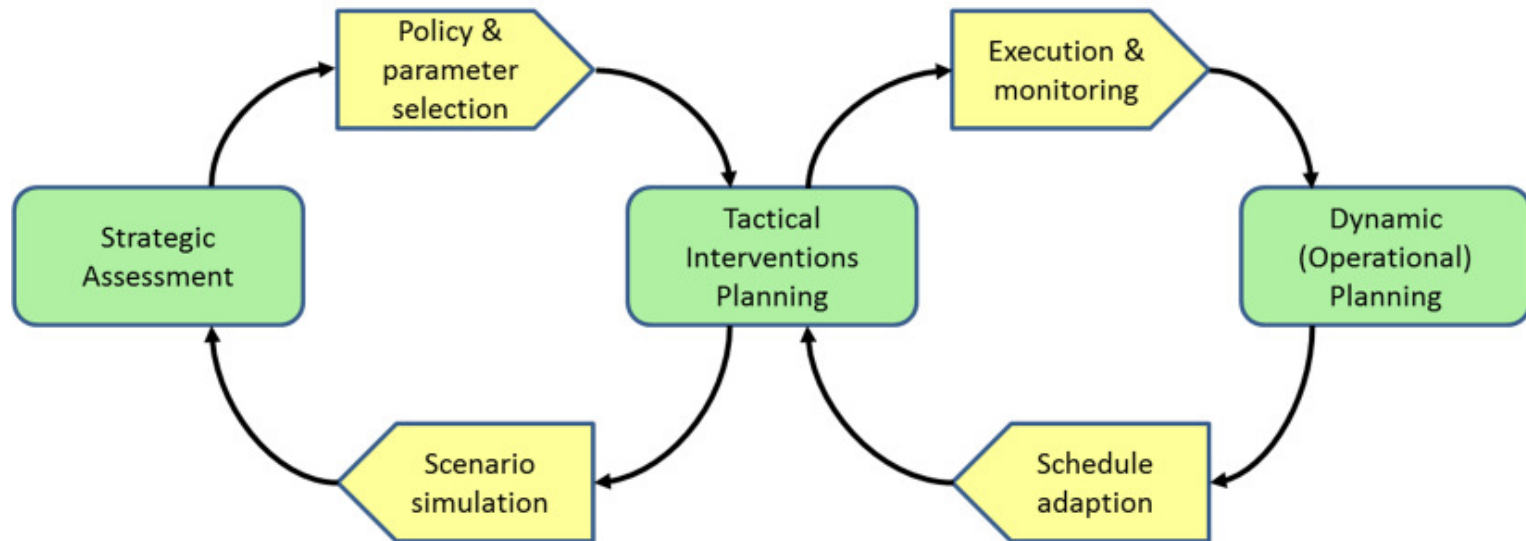
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  - **detailed scheduling**





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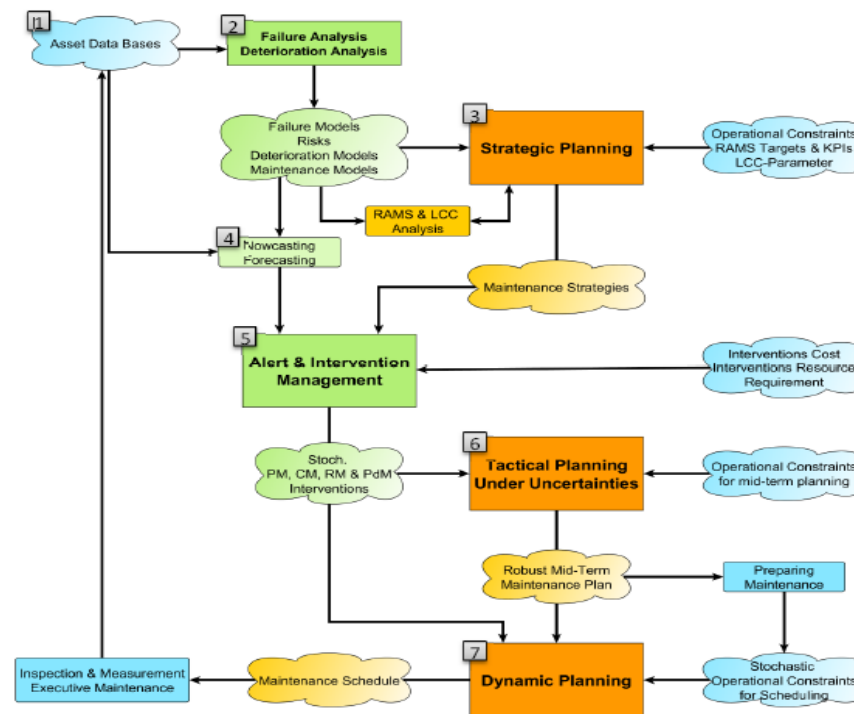
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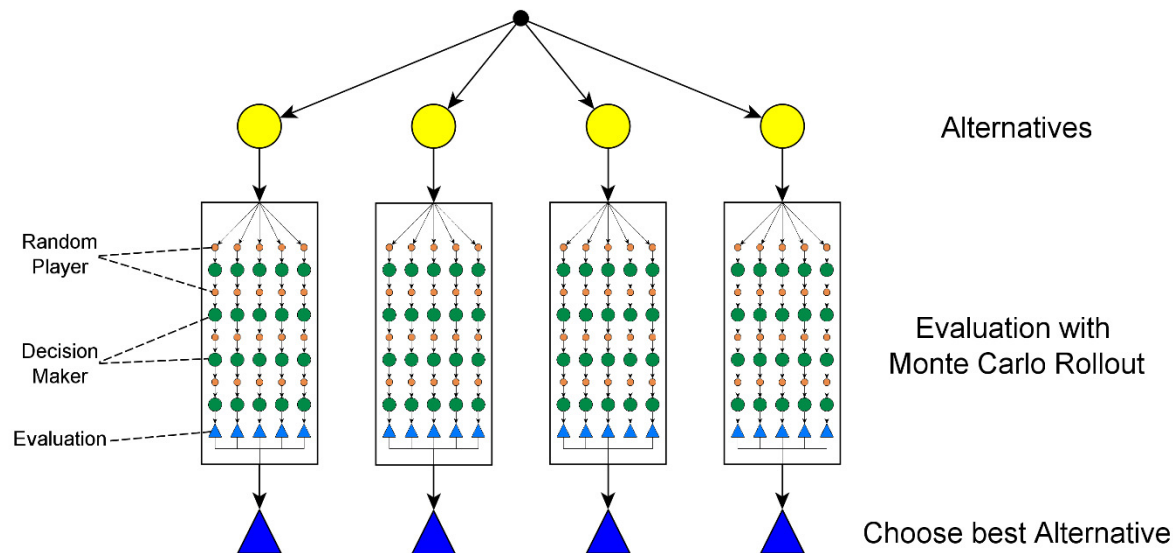
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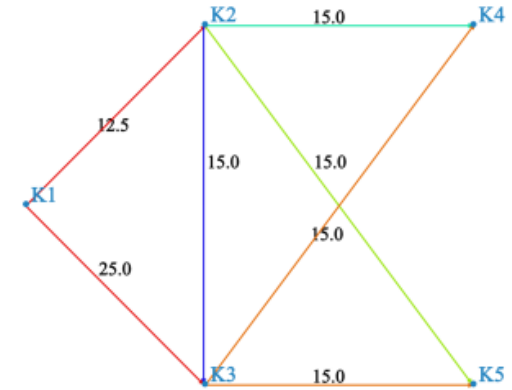
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4. **Algorithmic approach to incorporate uncertainties/ robust planning**





## Road use case

- **Scope:** → Tactical planning phase (5 years)  
→ Allocation of major interventions  
→ Min of the costs and max of the overall network quality
- **Highlights:** → Consider predicted conditions  
→ Integration of traffic / capacity analysis  
→ Robust planning





## Road use case

$$\min \sum_{a \in A} c_{y_a}$$

$$\max \sum_{a \in A} \sum_{t=1}^{t_{\max}} q_a(t) w_a$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{a \in A} c_{y_a} \leq C_5$$

$$\sum_{a \in A: \left\lceil \frac{t_{y_a}^s}{52} \right\rceil = j} c_{y_a} \leq C_1$$

$$\sum_{a \in A: r_a \in r \wedge t_{y_a}^s \in \{t - d_{y_a}(t_{y_a}^s), \dots, t\}} 1 \leq n_r$$

$$q_a(t) \geq \bar{Q}_a$$

$$\sum_{k=y_a+1}^K p_a^k(x_{y_a}) \leq P_{\max}$$

overall costs

average quality index

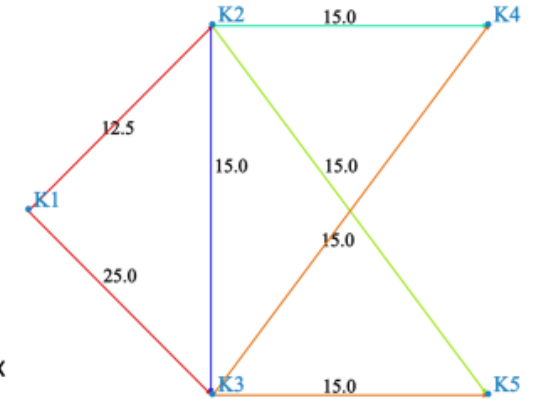
bounded 5-year-budget

$\forall j = 1, \dots, 5$  bounded annual budget

$\forall r \in R, \forall t \in T$  limited supervising teams

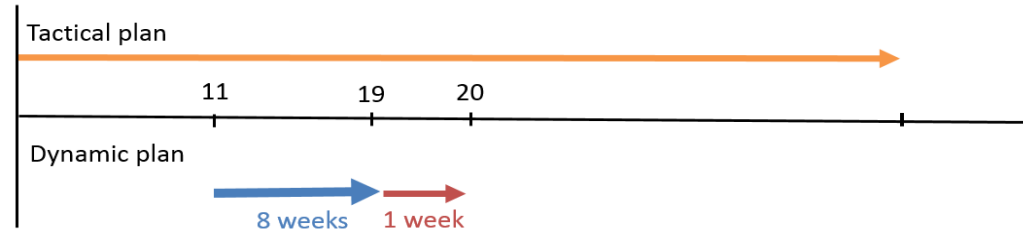
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$\forall a \in A$  keep robustness level





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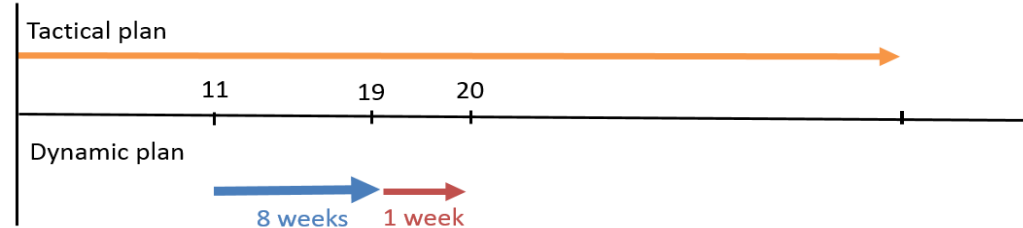


- **Scope:** → Dynamical planning phase
  - Adaption of the tactical plan
  - Min of costs (including costs for the possession booking) and max the overall network quality
- **Highlights:** → Integration of tasks from the dynamical plan into the tactical plan and vice versa to reduce possession time
  - Considering predicted conditions
  - Combining asset types (track and switches)





## Rail use case



$$\min \left( \sum_{j=1}^W (1 - r_j^w(t)) c_j^w + \sum_{a \in A} \sum_{\tau \in M_a} c_{y_{a,\tau}} \right)$$

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keep quality limits

$$\sum 1 = 1$$

$$\forall \sigma \in S, \forall t \in T$$

combination possibilities

$$a \in A, \tau \in M_a : \sigma_{y_{a,\tau}} \in \sigma \wedge t_{y_{a,\tau}}^1 \in D_{y_{a,\tau}}(t)$$

$$p(z_{a,\tau}(x_{y_{a,\tau}}) > k) \leq P_{\max}$$

$$\forall a \in A, \forall \tau \in M_a$$

keep robustness level





- We set up a theoretical framework for maintenance planning
- We manage to include uncertainties into the decision support
- We investigated two use cases and provided the corresponding mathematical model







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