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# SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS OF THE ACTIVITY CHAIN OPTIMIZATION PARAMETERS

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URBAN  
NETWORK

Overload

EFFICIENT  
USE

Better routes

ROUTING  
PROBLEMS

Genetic  
Algorithms

ACTIVITY  
CHAIN  
OPTIMIZATION

Time saving

PARAMETERS

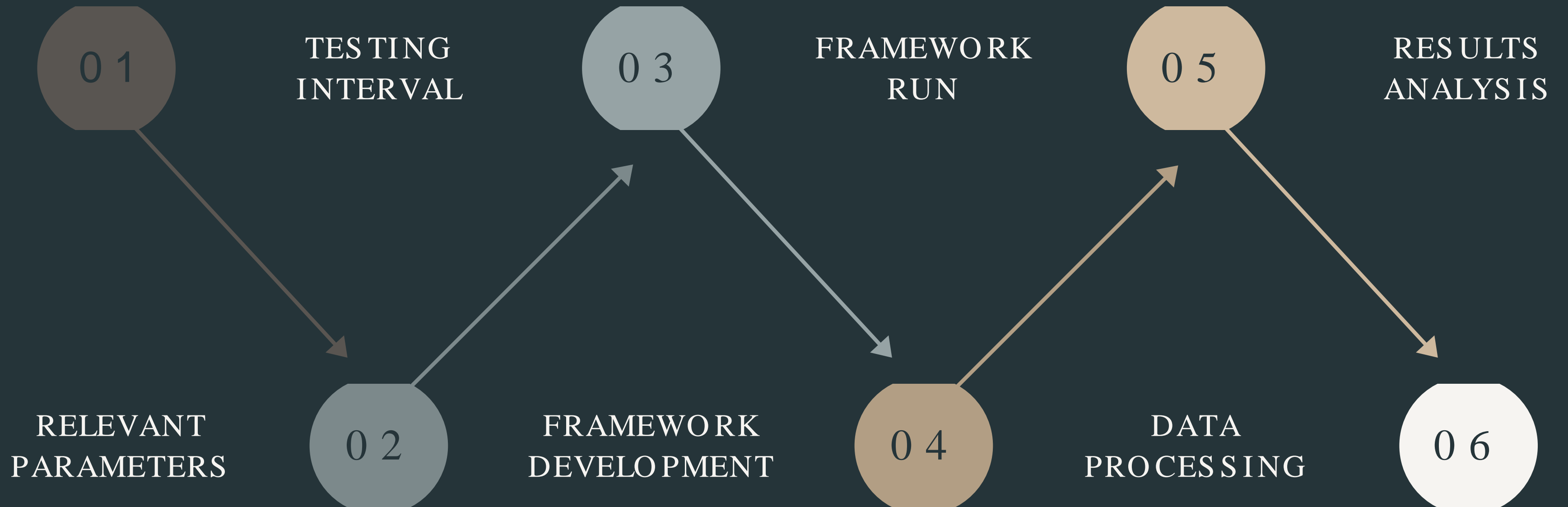
Different  
behavior

# HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE IMPACTS OF PARAMETER CHANGE ON THE OUTPUT OF THE OPTIMIZATION?

The research describes the deployment of a sensitivity analysis on an Activity Chain Optimization (ACO) system that uses GA to solve the TSP and investigate the impacts of the main parameters on the outcomes of the optimization system.

# OFAT

ONE PARAMETER AT A TIME



➔ start time	480	USER PREFERENCES
➔ end time	1170	
➔ transport mode	0	
➔ usable starting battery level	70	
➔ usable finishing battery level	85	
➔ population size	30	GENETIC OPERATORS
➔ generations	20	
➔ crossover probability	0.1	
➔ mutation probability	0.2	
➔ charging stations to keep	5	ACO
➔ alternative locations to keep	5	
➔ fitness weights	0-7	UTILITY FUN



RELEVANT  
PARAMETERS

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## TESTING INTERVAL

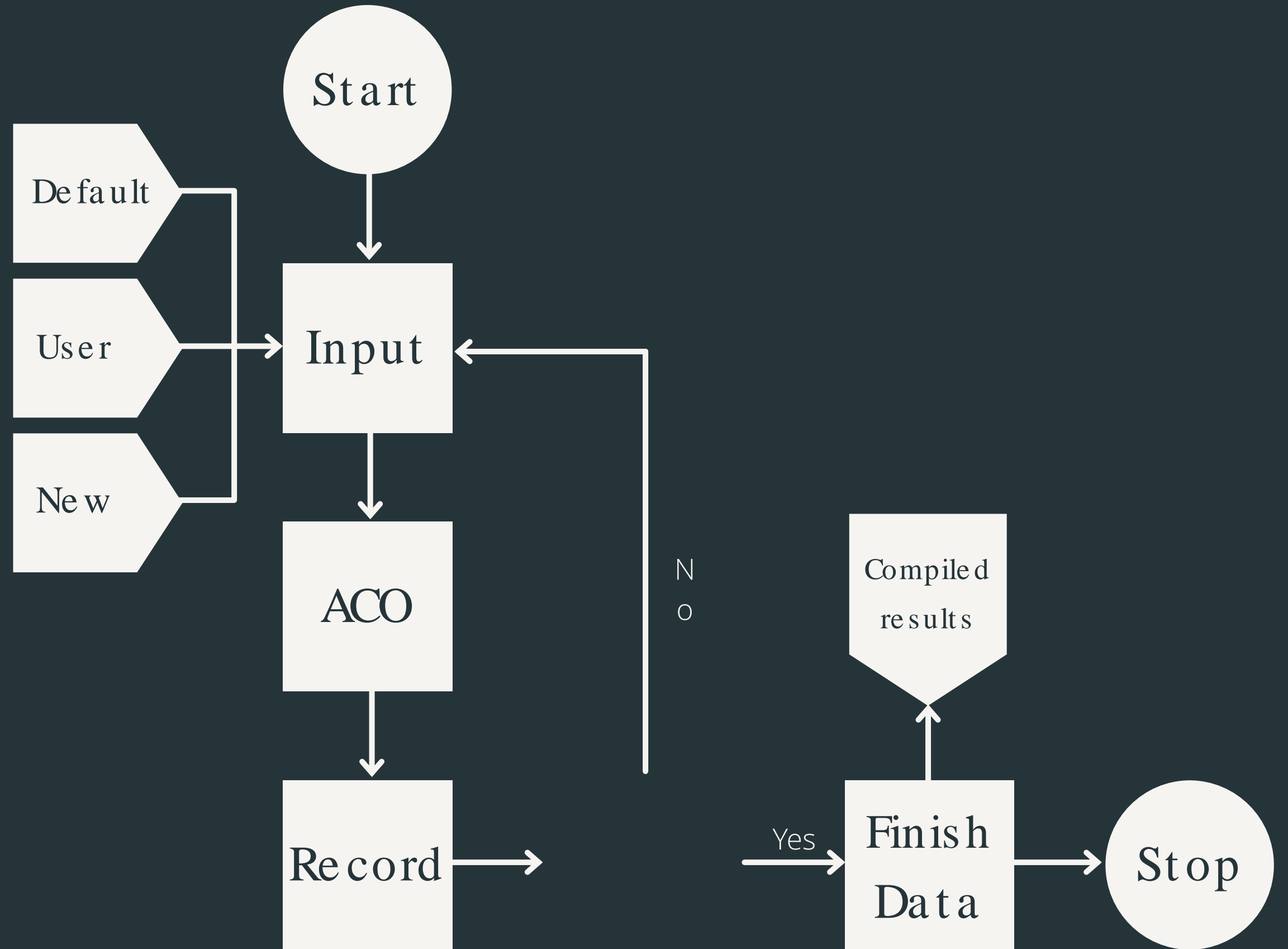
	interval	step size
→ start time	360 - 600	30
→ end time	1200 - 1350	30
→ transport mode	0 - 8	1
→ usable starting battery level	50 - 100	5
→ usable finishing battery level	50 - 100	5
→ population size	5 - 45	5
→ generations	5 - 35	5
→ crossover probability	0.1 - 0.9	0.1
→ mutation probability	0.1 - 0.9	0.1
→ charging stations to keep	1 - 7	1
→ alternative locations to keep	1 - 7	1
→ fitness weights	0 - 7	1

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FRAMEWORK  
DEVELOPMENT

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FRAMEWORK  
RUN

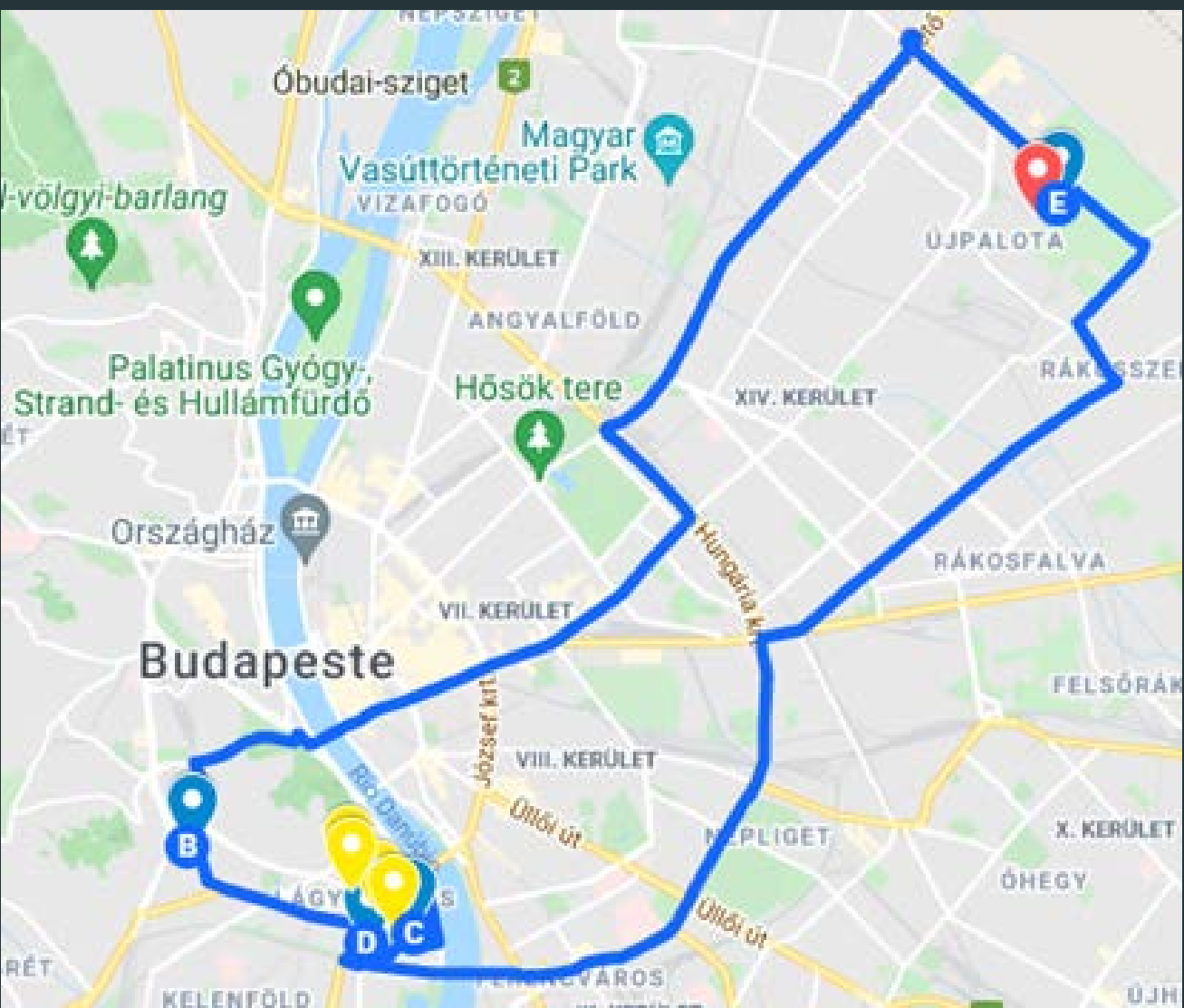




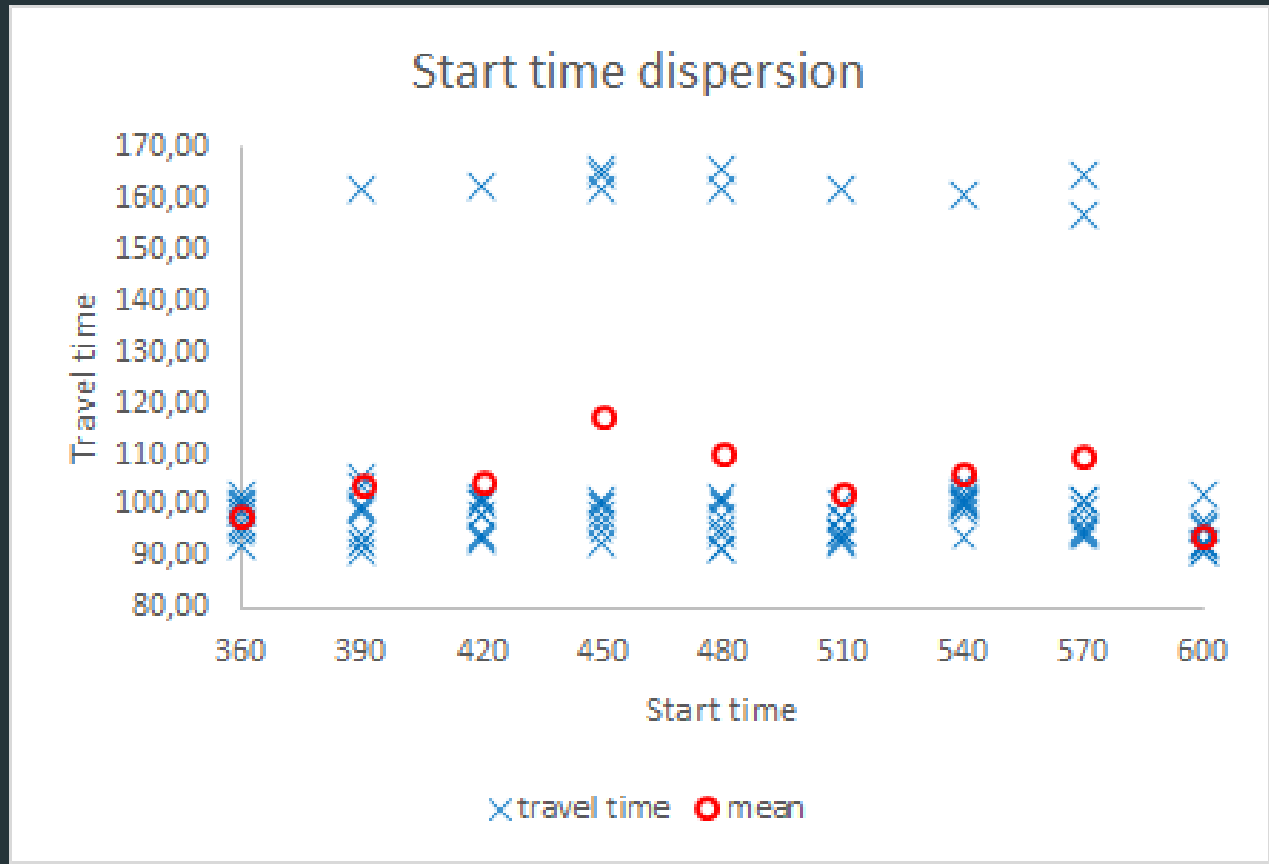
# General remarks

## The outlier

DATA  
PROCESSING



### Spatially flexible activity



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# User preferences

start time  
end time

- No major variation
- Low standard deviation
- End time 1350 exception

transport  
mode

- CAR: Low deviation
- WALK: High impact from route change - low speed
- EV: Recharge detour - TT higher than CAR
- BIKE: WALK similar, but a lower impact from a route change - high speed
- PUBLIC TRANSPORT: high range and deviation - unexpected travel time.

battery level  
start - finish

- No attendance of battery level constraints

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# Genetic operators

## population size

- The consistency of the results increases with the increase of the population size

## generations

- No tendency observed
- A low number of generations - good results

## crossover probability

- Higher probabilities increase diversity
- Better results above 0.5

## mutation probability

- Higher and lower probabilities - better results
- Higher probabilities may disfigure heredity

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# ACO parameters

number of charging stations  
to keep

- Car-wise behavior - needs more investigation

number of alternative  
locations to keep

- Slightly decrease of deviation with the increase of alternative locations

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# Utility function

## parameter

fitness weight 1  
fitness weight 2  
fitness weight 3  
fitness weight 4  
fitness weight 5  
fitness weight 6  
fitness weight 7  
fitness weight 8  
fitness weight 9  
fitness weight 10  
fitness weight 11  
fitness weight 12  
fitness weight 13  
fitness weight 14  
fitness weight 15  
fitness weight 16

## no outliers

6, 7  
2, 3, 5, 6  
0, 5, 7  
7  
0, 2, 3, 4, 5  
0, 3, 5, 6  
2, 5, 6, 7  
2, 3, 4, 6, 7  
2, 4  
0, 5, 6  
2, 3, 4, 5, 6  
2, 6  
1, 5  
2  
1, 3, 7  
0, 1, 4, 5, 6, 7

## best performance

6  
3  
7  
7  
0  
3  
7  
3  
4  
5  
5  
6  
5  
2  
1  
4

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### Behavior

All the results provided insights into the behavior of the due to the input parameter change



### Complementation of analysis

The OFAT analysis should be complemented by a global method



### Genetic operators

Analogous behavior to other researches



### Further investigation

- Real activity chains
- Outlier results
- Transport modes peculiarities
- Fitness weights performance
- Electric vehicles
- Increase number of iterations
- Small step sizes





THANK YOU FOR THE ATTENTION

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