

# TECHLOGISTICS



Logistics and Transportation savings with  DCbrain AI Tool

## SMARTER NETWORKS

The AI powered Intelligent Network Solution©  
that understands and optimizes your networks

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## For all: ever-increasing constraints



### Increasingly complex flows

High service level demands, penalties

More parties involved, multi-modality



### Do more with less

10s of thousands of drivers needed

A sharp increase in petrol prices during 2022



### Higher volatility => Higher resilience

React to peak activities and the unforeseen

Adapt to new external constraints



### Corporate Social Responsibility

Adapt to evolving regulations

Monitor CO2 impact to better plan actions

Planners cannot respond to these challenges, yet everything rests on their shoulders.

### Value added tasks

**20%**

Of planners spend only 20% of their time to actions that are essential for their business

### Redundant tasks

**80%**

The remaining time is spent to repetitive tasks that can be automated

**A complex transport networks**

**=**

**Billions of combinations**

**Most of planners have to deal with Excel files with millions of rows to maintain!**



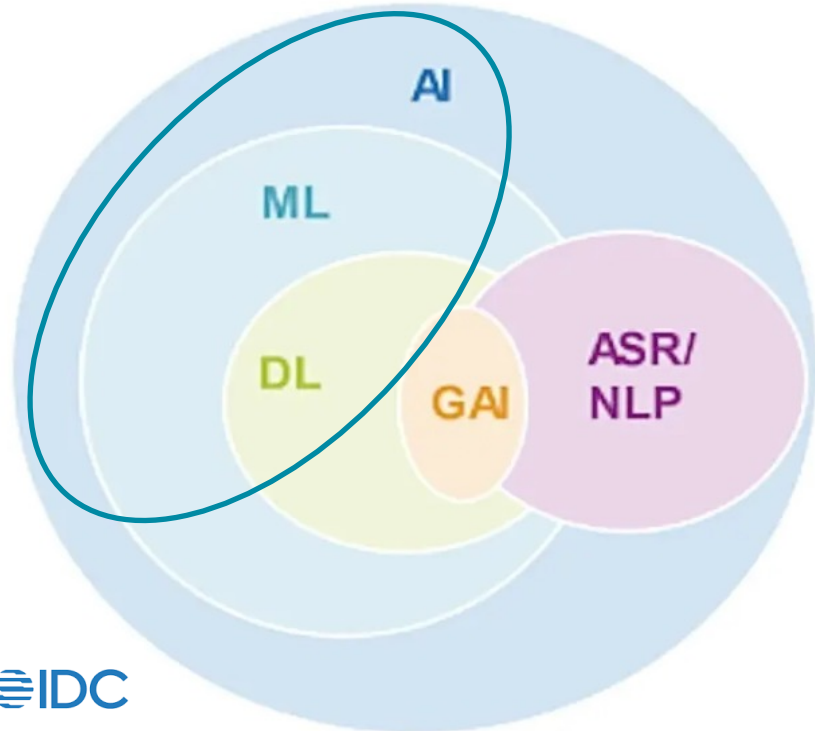
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## AI Scope in Logistics World

AI scope of application to Transportation and Logistics



- Artificial Intelligence
- Machine Learning
- Deep Learning
- Automatic Speech Recognition, Natural Language Processing
- Generative AI

## ChatGPT view on

AI algorithms to optimize SC operations



How can AI optimize transportation cost to logistics operators on top of a TMS? (in 5 lines)



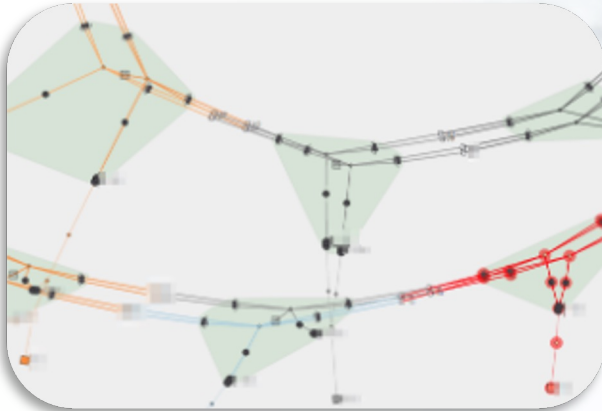
1. **AI can analyze historical data, real-time information, and market trends to identify cost-saving opportunities** in transportation operations.
2. **By optimizing routes, load consolidation, and carrier selection, AI can minimize transportation distances, reduce fuel consumption, and lower overall logistics costs.**
3. **AI algorithms can continuously monitor and analyze factors such as fuel prices, tolls, and driver efficiency to make data-driven decisions that optimize transportation costs.**
4. **Integration with TMS enables AI to automate cost calculations, invoice validation, and rate optimization, ensuring accurate and cost-efficient financial management.**
5. **AI-powered predictive analytics can anticipate changes in fuel prices, demand patterns, and market dynamics, allowing logistics operators to make proactive cost-saving decisions.**

## From data visualization to data optimisation

The superior optimization performance is achieved with 3 components:

### Digital network twin

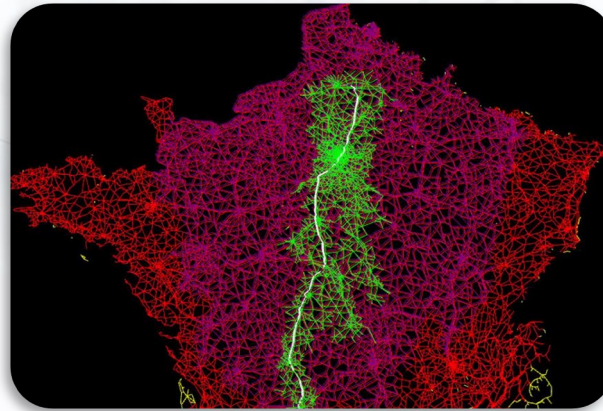
A dedicated **digital twin** for every network (agencies, hubs, delivery points...) through relational graph databases.



That sharply reduces calculation times

### Hybrid Artificial Intelligence

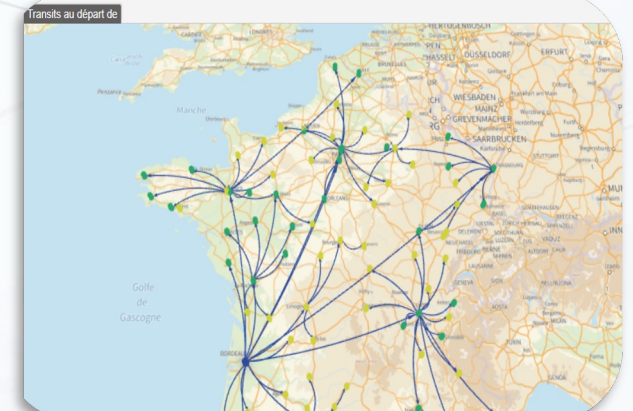
An AI-powered **optimisation engine** that seamlessly adapts to transportation flow challenges.



That fits specific requirements with minimum effort

### User Interface libraries

An extensible set of **User Interface** components, fully developed internally without external dependencies



That creates personalized user interfaces adapted to each network

Optimization is performed by using 2 modules to respond to planning challenges

**TACTICAL  
PLANNING**

**OPERATIONAL  
PLANNING**

**Target:**

**Up to 15% savings**





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# Thanks to Dcbrain with AI tool these companies found solutions that fix their new constraints



Lidl reduces costs and emissions to ship more than **50,000 pallets per day.**



Stef optimizes its transport plan by integrating over **100 management rules and 50 variable parameters**



Ceva streamlines route planning work to manage more than **10,000 TOs and 600 trucks per day**



Heppner efficiently manages its dense courier network of over **40 agencies**



Redur increases the efficiency of its transport plans to cover **45,000 km per day with more than 2500 trucks.**

## TACTICAL TRANSPORT

### Presentation / Key Figures

- **25 logistics** platforms of 42,000m<sup>2</sup> on average
- **1580 supermarkets in France**, 1 opening per week
- **+50,000 pallets shipped per day**, i.e. more than 15 million per year
- 86% of waste recycled or revalorized

### Why ?

- To **reduce CO2 emissions** and lower transportation costs
- And also to digitize and **simplify the design of its transport plans**

### For whom?

- Central logistics planning teams
- Local shipping teams

### Before DCbrain

- **Manual updating of transport plans** was done twice a year and did not guarantee optimization

# LIDL CASE STUDY

Tactical planning to facilitate the construction of transportation plans





*“LIDL has made a commitment to reduce its CO2 emissions and this means that we must further optimize our transportation plans. With DCbrain’s AI, we can meet these challenges.”*

Xavier Pierre, Responsable transport et environnement



## TACTICAL TRANSPORT

### With DCbrain

- **Optimized transportation plans**, taking into account all requirements
- Faster updating that makes it possible to integrate **more unforeseen events** and operational changes
- Simple for **central and local teams** to share and jointly approve **scenarios**
- CO2 emissions taken into account when constructing transportation plans

### Data Used

- Operational requirements: warehouses, outlets, product typology
- Forecast volumes
- Cost matrix

### Projected Gains

- **Optimized transportation plans**
- **Reduced CO2 emissions**
- **Digitalized operations**



## OPERATIONAL TRANSPORT

### Presentation / Key Figures

- 4 business lines:
- ⇒ Finished vehicle transport (**FVL**)
- ⇒ **Multimodal** transport
- ⇒ Packaging solutions provider
- ⇒ Management of flows + customs operations
- FVL activity on the Etupes site: **Fleet of 700 long-distance trucks**

### Why ?

- Strategic: **improve competitiveness** and make growth levers more profitable
- Operational: cope with the **reduction in the number of planners**

### For whom?

- Planning agencies in France and Europe
- Team managers for optimization and **KPI's monitoring**
- **Planners for optimization** validation and real time visualization

### Before DCbrain

- **Planners** in agencies were **using data from various sources** and little harmonized: **excel files, emails, phones** ... which made **difficult** the planning work

# GEFCO/ CEVA CASE STUDY

Optimization of transport  
flows at the operational  
level



## OPERATIONAL TRANSPORT

### With DCbrain

- **Automation of order batching and allocation to delivery vehicles**
- **Daily tracking** of the transportation order completion rate
- Daily and weekly tracking of operational KPIs: load factor, SLA, costs, etc.
- Scenario testing to suggest new, **optimized journeys**, while integrating new order flows as they arise

### Data Used

- **Transportation-related data:** configuration of considered vehicles, maximum travel time, minimum break time, loading/unloading time, etc.
- **Daily and weekly order flows**
- **Management rules**

### Projected Gains

- Transportation plan **optimized in real time**
- **Fewer** delivery vehicles
- Homogeneous average distances travelled by each vehicle
- **Reduced** transportation **cost**
- FTE gains in branches: digitalization and **simplification of the process**
- **Reduced CO2 emissions**



*"Rethinking route planning has led us to challenge our ways of working, to enable us to capitalize on the benefits of AI in automating planners' tasks."*

Thomas Maitre, Chief Project Officer @ CEVA Logistics





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# From data visualization to data optimisation

## A simple process, built for planners



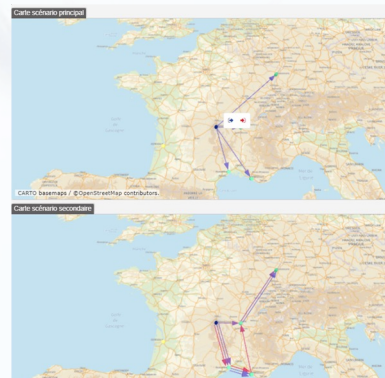
### Visualize

all relevant data within dashboards



### Simulate

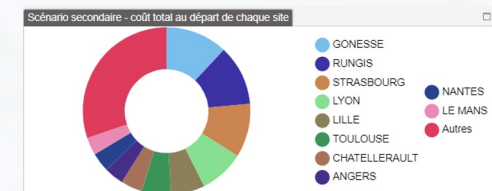
scenarios and visualize the impacts on the network



### Optimize

to calculate recommendations on how to optimize the network

Coût total ▼	Coût transit	Coût nominal	Coût reste à quai
244 577	14 505	219 306	10 767
243 121	13 931	212 990	16 200
218 446	13 421	193 328	11 698





## Tactical planning module

### Starting point and requirements

No simple tool to visualize the network, the linehauls and all the local constraints

Weakly structured data at a low level of confidence

No simulation and optimisation tool

### AI DCbrain Tool brings you

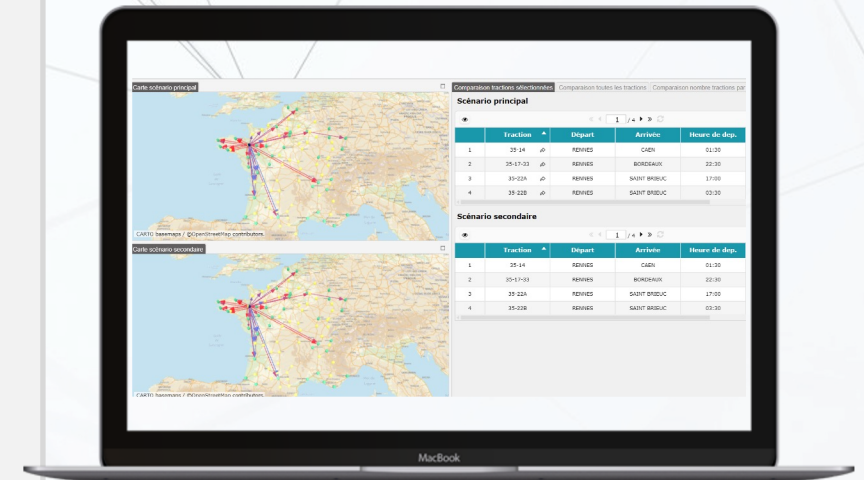
Modeling and update of the entire network / constraints

Calculate network changes (new customer, new agency, acquisition...)

Global or local optimisation of the transport plan

Scheduling of lines

Follow-up of global KPIs (transport cost, cost per agency, CO2,...)



## Operational planning module

### Starting point and requirements

On top of a TMS there is no tool that can :

- Dynamically optimize transport plans (collection, middle mile, distribution)
- And quickly adapt to unforeseen events (broken truck, delays from customers, additional flows...)

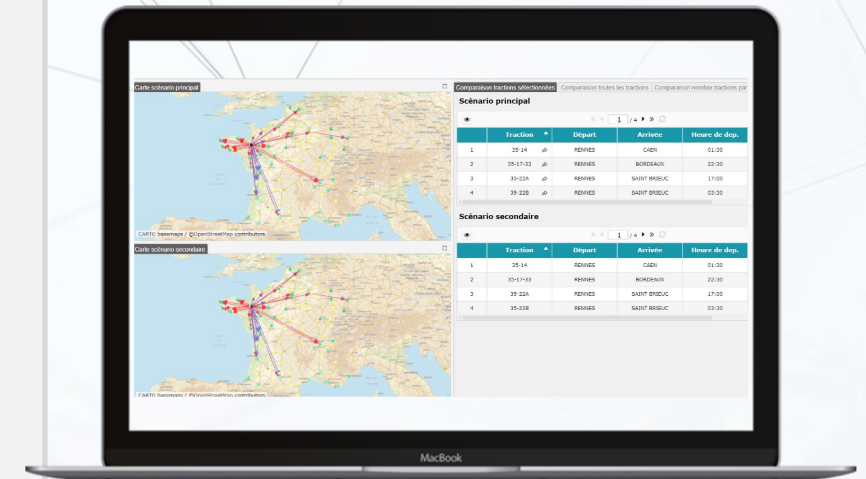
### DCbrain brings you

Visualize the entire network and its constraints

Automate and optimize Transport Orders versus Means

Calculate the impact following an unforeseen element

Follow operational KPIs (completion of TOs, cost per TO..)



## From data visualization to data optimisation

# For simplified and cost-effective planning



**80%**

Less time required for  
planning



**10 - 15%**

Cost savings per year



**9 - 12%**

Reduction per year

## Conclusion

A unique combination that only DCbrain can bring you

DECARBONATION WITH TECH	Cutting edge technology build for planning
LOGISTIC EXPERTISE	Recognized by market leaders
DATA EXPERTISE	Know-how and support to extract value from data
CLOSE TO YOUR BUSINESS	Proven change management methodology
HYBRID AI	Always up-to-date optimisations



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