4.3 **INTERNAL PARAMETERS OF THE IC MODULE**

The IC Module uses a series of parameters to control how the trips are assigned onto each mode of the network. There are a total of 26 values relative to 13 single concepts which control the simulations of EU transport scenarios. All these values are set up to default values, but can be varied by the user of the IC Module to design customised scenarios.

4.3.1 Costs of Travelling

The cost of travelling with terrestrial modes and air mode has been considered as the sum of the user travel time cost and the price of using the transport infrastructure.

\[
\text{Cost} = \text{TravelTimeCost} + \text{TravelFee}
\]

**Cost of time**

The cost of time is built upon the value of travel time perceived by users. This parameter is segmented among four different major social groups corresponding to different kinds of trip purposes: business trips, private trips, commuting trips and leisure or holidays. The value of travel time is decreasing in this same order, and is a reflex of the willingness of a user to pay for more expensive travel modes when the purpose of its trip is of greater utility.

The considered costs for travel time are specified in Table 4-1.

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<tr>
<th>Value of travel time (euros / hour)</th>
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<td>Business</td>
<td>25.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Private</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commuters</td>
<td>10.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leisure and holidays</td>
<td>7.50</td>
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</table>

The parameters presented above represent average EU values and are adjusted according to the GDP per capita in each NUTS3. Being the value of travel time of a traveller a consequence of its wealth level, trips originated in poor regions are assigned with lower values of travel time, representing residents with lower levels of wealth.

The deviation from the central value can be controlled with a dispersion parameter. A value of 0.1 for the dispersion parameter makes the poorest region have a value of time 30% less than the average, and the richest region gets a value of time 30% over the average. The value of time for a given NUTS3 is applied to the trips originating from this NUTS3.

The value of these unitary costs can be varied by the user in the IC Module Multi-modal Parameters Control Panel (see chapter 4.5).

**Travel costs to use infrastructure (fees)**

For terrestrial modes, costs of using transport infrastructure are mostly derived from TRANS-TOOLS.

For the road mode, these average costs account for fuel consumption and running costs (mechanics, vehicle deterioration), and for tolls. For rail, they correspond to rail average fares, and mostly account for energy consumption, network maintenance and staff. They have been split into short-distance trips fares (<80km), rail fare for mid-distance trips (80-160km) and rail fare for long-distance trips (>160km).
The parameters presented in Table 4-2 represent average EU values and can be adjusted according to the GDP per capita in each NUTS3. Being the cost of travelling in a specific link directly related to the average level of wealth of the region where it is inscribed, higher costs are assigned on links in the richest regions.

The deviation from the central value can be controlled with a dispersion parameter. A value of 0.1 for the dispersion parameter makes the poorest region have link travel cost 30% less than the average, and the richest region is assigned with link travel cost 30% above the average. The cost of travelling on links within a given NUTS3 is applied to all links contained in this NUTS3.

4.3.2 Costs for Travelling with the Air Mode

Having reviewed the original air network in TRANS-TOOLS, the most important finding is that it cannot be used in a multi-modal model. The connections and costs of the air links work well in TRANS-TOOLS, where the modal shift is calculated prior to assignment onto uni-modal networks. However, when using these links in the multi-modal Interconnect network, where modal split and assignment are calculated in one step, the results were not satisfactory with unreal behaviour in air combinations appearing in the results: the system had a natural trend to keep in the air mode once accessed for the first time, because of the incapacity to introduce penalties in air-air interchanges.

Due to this fundamental difference in the architecture of network composition between TRANS-TOOLS and the IC Module, the TRANS-TOOLS cost scheme is unsuitable for use in the IC Module either. A theoretical price scheme has then been calculated using the existing database as basis.

The cost formulation includes the different time values of three different travel purposes (it is assumed that there are no commuting trips by plane) as well as a specific air fare for each one of these purposes. The fare depends on the distance of the trip and the size of the airport as it is shown below:

\[ Cost = dist \cdot U_{cost} \cdot \alpha \]

Where

\[ U_{cost} = f(dist) \]
\[ \alpha = f(airport \_ pax) \]

The function providing the relationship between cost and distance has been obtained by making a regression from four pairs of values, as shown in Figure 4-3.
The formula has been obtained using on-line software for fitting data, which finds the best equation for a given set of parameters and data points\(^6\). The resulting formula is:

\[
U_{\text{cost}} = 6.89 \cdot \text{dist}^{-0.464} - 0.0313
\]

Unitary cost is affected by a coefficient to reflect the fact that scale economies are common in the air transport sector. The coefficient \(\alpha\) takes a minimum value of 0.5 for the airport with the highest annual number of passengers, and a maximum value of 1.0 for the airport with the lowest annual number of passengers. European airports in the IC Module are ranked by their number of passengers and a value between 0.5 and 1.0 is assigned to each one of the linear pattern shown in Figure 4-4.

The final unitary air fares range from 0.06 €/km up to 0.80 €/km. These values apply to the cost of business air trips, while the private trips have prices half of those of business and holiday trips are one third the price of business:

\[
U_{\text{cost, business}} = 2 \cdot U_{\text{cost, private}} = 3 \cdot U_{\text{cost, holiday}}
\]

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\(6\) Zunzun.com data fitting on-line software
4.3.3 Costs of Using Interconnections

Five unitary costs for interchanges between modes, city-road, city-rail station, road-airport, road-rail station, airport-rail station have been considered. These costs were initially targeted through the analysis of specific transport terminals in Europe, those analysed in case studies included, and adjusted later on in the process of validation of the IC Module. They are expressed in terms of euro per kilometre of the connector.

The resulting costs are shown below.

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<tr>
<th>Costs of using interconnections (€ / km)</th>
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<td>City-road</td>
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<td>City-rail station</td>
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<td>Road-airport</td>
<td>0.15</td>
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<td>Road-rail station</td>
<td>0.25</td>
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<td>Airport-rail station</td>
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Interconnectivity within the air networks is controlled through penalties when concatenating two air links successively. This is modelled through incorporating the concept of transport services in each link.

Even if the IC Module is able to track interconnections intra-network, that is transitions from a local rail network onto a long-distance rail network – defined as the EU rail core network as presented in the DG TREN TEN-CONNECT study - and from a local road network onto a long-distance road network – defined as the EU road core network as presented in TEN-CONNECT - the model is not able to introduce penalties on those changes. For road networks, that concept is of little use but it could be of more importance for rail networks, constituting a way for further work in the future. In any case, the penalisation magnitude in this case would be much lower than for the air mode as there is considerably less waiting time at rail stations than in airports, and the impact of not incorporating it in the IC Module is expected to be relatively limited.

4.4 VALIDATION OF THE IC MODULE RESULTS WITH TRANS-TOOLS

To validate the performance of the IC Module, results obtained from the IC Module are compared to TRANS-TOOLS' original results in an iterative validation process.

Multi-modal parameters have been adjusted in order to obtain results for the IC Module which sufficiently fit those from TRANS-TOOLS.

As mentioned before, the TRANS-TOOLS model is calibrated so that its results sufficiently fit Eurostat statistics. That means that internal parameters in TRANS-TOOLS are set so that results from its modelling process sufficiently fit reality.

As already mentioned in section 2.3.2, the internal parameters of the IC Module – mainly travel costs and interconnectivity costs - have also been adjusted in a process of validation against TRANS-TOOLS results.

With the IC Module validated, the module is ready to test different alternative scenarios, for which the INTERCONNECT Meta-model produces indicators to digest and present results for interconnectivity upgrading impact analysis. This process is reported in INTERCONNECT Deliverable D5.2 Meta-models for the analysis of interconnectivity.
The specific process of validation is as follows.

- First, TRANS-TOOLS OD matrices – one for each transport mode, rail, air, road, and for each trip purpose, business, private, commuter, leisure or holidays - are assigned onto their corresponding uni-modal graphs. With this assignment, traffic indicators are obtained. Traffic volumes are retained for each different transport mode (vehicle-kilometres and passenger-kilometres).

- Secondly, TRANS-TOOLS OD matrices are added for each mode obtaining a set of TRANS-TOOLS aggregated matrices containing all trips between NUTS3 pairs – regardless of their travel mode - split by different trip purposes. These TT aggregated matrices are assigned onto the IC multi-modal graph, and traffic indicators are obtained. Traffic volumes in Europe in different modes are retained, and it is analysed the intensity of use of each individual travel mode in vehicle-kilometres and passenger-kilometres.

- Obtained volumes of travel for each mode are compared from TRANS-TOOLS resulting indicators and IC Module's.

- This process is repeated iteratively changing the multi-modal parameters of the IC Module – mostly the costs of interconnection - until results of TRANS-TOOLS and IC Module fit sufficiently.
The following figures show the process of validation of the IC Module through successive assignments of TRANS-TOOLS OD matrices onto the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph, with variations on the multi-modal parameters of the module. A progressive convergence pattern can be tracked along the several assignments until volumes of travelling with different transport modes at EU level obtained from the IC Module sufficiently fit those obtained in TRANS-TOOLS.

Multi-modal parameters being varied are:

- Value of travel time: value perceived by users in euro per hour;
- Travel cost: cost to travel along infrastructure links (rail and road) in euro per kilometre;
- Interconnection cost: cost to travel along an interconnections in euro per kilometre;
- Dispersion parameters: segmented onto three parameters, it alters the distribution of value of time, infrastructure travel cost and interconnection travel cost for the European NUTS3 regions, based on their GDP level (for full reference of this parameter, read chapter 4.3);
- Time penalty for air transfer: penalisation for transferring between two consecutive air links, in minutes.

A full description for each iteration can be found at the end of this report as an Appendix. Finally established parameters after the validation process can be found at the end of this chapter.
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<td>1st Assignment</td>
<td>06/03/2011</td>
<td>Initial setup</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6hour: Commuter: 7.5; Business: 15; Private: 10; Leisure: 6</td>
<td>Too many users are travelling on road, while rail and air are staying behind. The disfunction is mostly happening with business travelers, who should apparently use more airplane.</td>
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<td>Trans工具的参数设置繁琐，需要考虑通勤和旅行时间，初始值为通勤阻抗参数，评估根据基本的最短路径算法的不同，代表的MUTS-3的三对。</td>
<td>Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.1; Rail (short): 0.1; Rail (mid): 0.1; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
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<td>Interconnecting costs in 6km: City-Rail: 0.15; City-Rail: 0.15; Air-Road: 0.5; Air-Rail: 0.5; Rail: 0.5</td>
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<td>Altered travel costs for road and rail</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6hour: Commuter: 7.5; Business: 15; Private: 10; Leisure: 6</td>
<td>Too much road and rail is now much more adjusted but rail is used too much, mainly by private holiday trips.</td>
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<td>Minimum dispersion for all variables</td>
<td>Based on &quot;altered travel costs for road and rail and decreasing dispersion to a maximum value of 0 in all parameters to see the impact on no regional variations on the global results.</td>
<td>A dispersion of 0 makes all prices and costs equal across the different regions. The result is a reverse adjustment when compared to the scenario with dispersion 0.1</td>
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<td>Maximum dispersion for all variables</td>
<td>Based on &quot;altered travel costs for road and rail and increasing dispersion to a maximum value of 1 in all parameters to see the impact on regional variations on the global results.</td>
<td>A higher dispersion means increasing the differences in prices and costs throughout Europe. The effect is a better fit with the original TransTools results. However, although there is a correct change from road to air, rail mode still has too many trips.</td>
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<td>Interconnecting costs in 6km: City-Rail: 0.2; City-Rail: 0.15; Air-Road: 0.5; Air-Rail: 0.25; Rail: 0.25</td>
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<td>15/03/2011</td>
<td>Increased Value of Time</td>
<td>Increase in value of time for the four types of users, with a correction of rail costs</td>
<td>The increase in Value of Time has resulted in a more accurate fit of TransTools results, with differences by mode under 10%, although these differences are bigger when looking at the trips per travel purpose.</td>
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<td>6th Assignment</td>
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<td>Altered travel costs for road and air</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 20; Private: 12; Leisure: 7.5</td>
<td>The model is highly sensitive to rail cost, and a slight increase has resulted in a big decrease in the use of rail. Air mode has now a good fit when measured globally.</td>
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<td>8th</td>
<td>15/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on a mix of the scenarios “Increase in value of time” and “Waited travel costs for rail and air”, but with an interconnection penalty of 0 minutes for changing between air services.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 20; Private: 12; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.155; Rail (short): 0.11; Rail (mid): 0.16; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.2; City-Rail: 0.2; Air-Road: 0.2; Air-Rail: 0.25;</td>
<td>Reducing the penalty waiting time between consecutive planes to 0 results in an enormous increase in plane use, mainly coming from road trips but also some from the rail.</td>
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<td>8th</td>
<td>16/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on a mix of the scenarios “Expected travel costs for rail and air”, with slightly lower cost of road but higher interconnection cost from road to city. Slight reduction of short distance rail travel.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 20; Private: 12; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.16; Rail (short): 0.1; Rail (mid): 0.16; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.125; Air-Rail: 0.125;</td>
<td>A reduction of 6% in the time penalty for air services has resulted in a big increase in use of the air mode. This increase comes in part from rail users but also from a great number of road users.</td>
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<td>9th</td>
<td>21/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.09; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.125; Air-Rail: 0.125;</td>
<td>The slight reduction in rail cost has equilibrated the rail passengers moving them from the road mode. All modes have now less than 10% differences with respect to TransTools.</td>
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<td>10th</td>
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<td>Based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short and a dispersion parameter of 1.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.09; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.125; Air-Rail: 0.125;</td>
<td>The increase in dispersion factor in this case has the effect of increasing the air trips. Globally the fit has worsened.</td>
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<td>11th</td>
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<td>Based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short and time penalty of 90 minutes.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.09; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.125; Air-Rail: 0.125;</td>
<td>A higher time penalty in connecting flights moves users from air to road and rail, but the rail grows too much.</td>
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<td>12th</td>
<td>21/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short and a dispersion parameter of 1 and a time penalty of 90 minutes.</td>
<td>Value of travel time in £/hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5; Travel costs in £/km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.09; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2; Interconnecting costs in £/km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.125; Air-Rail: 0.125;</td>
<td>By increasing the dispersion to 1 the fit is better with values under 6%.</td>
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<td>13th Assignment</td>
<td>22/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on the scenario “13th assignment”, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 1 for VOT, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>The choice in dispersion values has clearly favored the rail mode at expense of both air and road.</td>
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<td>14th Assignment</td>
<td>22/03/2011</td>
<td>Based on the scenario “14th assignment”, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 1 for VOT, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>A value of 0 in the dispersion parameter for interchange costs improves the fit to TransTools data, but only marginally.</td>
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<td>15th Assignment</td>
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<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>The choice of dispersion values in this scenario has a result in a situation similar to that of scenario &quot;15th assignment Disp 1 TP 50&quot;, but read and rail shifting role.</td>
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<td>Based on the scenario “16th assignment”, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.5 for VOT, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>A lower value of dispersion for infrastructure costs results in a high increase of rail trips</td>
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<td>17th Assignment</td>
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<td>Based on the scenario “17th assignment”, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.75 for VOT, 0.75 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>Relatively adjusted, shows an excess of rail</td>
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<td>Value of travel time in 6/5 hour: Commuter: 16; Business: 25; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5 Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.69; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2</td>
<td>Air loses too much, and rail increases as a counterpart</td>
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<td>Based on the scenario &quot;12th assignment&quot;, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.75</td>
<td>Value of travel time in 6-hour: Commuter: 10; Business: 20; Private: 10; Leisure: 7.5</td>
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<td>Same behaviour as &quot;Assignment 17&quot;. Fits slightly better</td>
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<td>Dispersion parameters</td>
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<td>Travel costs in 6km: Road: 0.15; Rail (short): 0.09; Rail (mid): 0.15; Rail (long): 0.2 Interconnecting costs in 6km: City-Road: 0.25; City-Rail: 0.1; Air-Road: 0.15; Air-Rail: 0.15; Rail-Rail: 0.35</td>
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Figure 4-7 IC Module validation process results, iteration after iteration
Figure 4-8 shows the progressive convergence between the IC Module results and TRANS-TOOLS’. The *error index* measures the global performance of the iteration, and is defined as the sum of each of the errors for road, rail and air, in absolute value, and weighted by the modal share of the mode in passenger-kilometres in relation to others. Each of the modal errors is measured as the volume of passenger-kilometres obtained with the IC Module divided by the volume obtained with TRANS-TOOLS.

![Figure 4-8 IC Module results’ convergence to TRANS-TOOLS’ along iterative validation](image)

Table 4-4  Errors between IC Module results and TRANS-TOOLS’

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The final iteration gave sufficiently adjusted results between IC Module and TRANS-TOOLS with the error in the road mode lower than 0.5%, in the rail mode around 6% and in the air mode around 2%; these results are considered satisfactory, as the road mode, representing 73% of all kilometres travelled in Europe, has a very low error, while the rail mode with the 6% error represents only around 3% of total traffic. The analysis by different trips purposes shows that for the road mode, the error laid below ±10% for all trip purposes and below ±15% for the air mode, while the rail mode gave more distant values (but it is also the one with a lower modal share in passenger-kilometres).”

Figure 4-9  Error levels between IC Module results and TRANS-TOOLS’ after validation

Figure 4-10  Error levels for different trip purposes after validation
The main parameters of this final iteration, taken as basic multi-modality parameters of the IC Module, are the following:

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<td>Private</td>
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<td>Commuters</td>
<td>10 €/h</td>
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<td>Holiday</td>
<td>7.5 €/h</td>
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<td>Travel Costs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Road</td>
<td>0.15 €/km</td>
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<td>City-road connector</td>
<td>0.25 €/km</td>
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<td>Dispersion of value of travel time</td>
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4.5 How to Use the IC Module

In the following an explanation of the IC Module’s main functionalities is provided. For additional reference of the working of the Module, see Appendix 3.

The main control panel of the IC Module contains all the necessary links to available tools and parameter configuration screens to fully execute the INTERCONNECT module. These tools are:

- Selection of the OD trip matrix to be assigned to the INTERCONNECT graph. The TRANS-TOOLS 2005 matrix is available by default.
- Configuration of multi-modal parameters determining travel behaviour, including value of travel time, operative costs on infrastructure and interconnections, and dispersion parameters.
- Selection of the set of calculations to be performed on the INTERCONNECT graph with the selected OD matrix. One or more can be selected: business, private, commuter and holiday trips.
- Execution of the module. The apply button launches the calculations with all selected parameters and configurations, and returns the selected output results. The window shows the progress of the calculation.

Figure 4-11 IC Module: general view
The next sections provide a brief description of each of the IC Module tabs allowing setting up the IC calculations and the outputs to be obtained.

**OD Trip matrix selection control panel**

The OD *Trip Matrix Selection* control panel allows the user to choose from the dropdown list which OD matrix will be used for the model calculations. The TRANS-TOOLS 2005 OD matrix is used by default.
Multi-modal parameters control panel

The Multi-modal parameters control panel tab allows setting up all key parameters determining the travel behaviour of users onto the IC multi-modal graph. These parameters include the different values of user’s travel time, the operative costs and prices for different transport modes and the costs for connector travelling. It also includes the possibility to configure dispersion parameters.

![Image of Multi-modal parameters control panel]

The upper left column corresponds to the configuration of average EU value of travel time. The parameters are introduced for the four different trip purposes. Costs are expressed in euro per hour. The Module applies adjustment factors to represent differentials in travel time values among different Member States depending on their level of wealth with higher value for trips originating in wealthier NUTS3. These factors are controlled through the dispersion coefficients in the bottom left column, ranging from 0 (no dispersion) to 1 (maximum dispersion).

The upper central column corresponds to the configuration of travel costs along transport infrastructure. Costs are expressed in euro per kilometre. The upper right column corresponds to the configuration of travel costs along connectors. These parameters correspond to the costs of interconnection, and are in general higher than travelling costs along infrastructure. The reason for this is that perceived costs for users when interconnecting are much higher than when actually travelling, due to increased inconveniences. The module applies again adjustment factors to represent differentials in travel cost among different Member States depending on their level of wealth, again controlled through the dispersion coefficients.

Computation selection control panel

The Computation selection control panel allows the user to choose which calculations will be performed for the selected OD Trip matrix and the chosen multi-modal parameter configurations. One or more can be selected.

The available options on the tab are the computation of trips separately for the four different travel purposes.
Execution control panel

The Execution control panel allows the user to accept all configurations and run the simulation with the IC Module.

Running times can vary from 4 to 6 hours for a complete simulation, depending on the computer being used7. If not all trip purposes are selected, computation times are lower.

The progress window shows how far is done in the total calculation. First, the queries and the NSD files are loaded (it will increase the Attributes indicator). Afterwards, the assignment is computed. The number of total steps to be run is 1. The number of total processes is 1446, corresponding to the number of NUTS3 in Europe and neighbouring States.

Once computation is finished, traffic assignment maps can be examined with the IC Module, but most interconnectivity indicators need to be computed with the INTERCONNECT meta-model. Running times for the meta-modal process on indicator processing may take an additional 4 hours. For full reference on the meta-model functioning, see INTERCONNECT deliverable D5.2 Meta-models for the analysis of interconnectivity.

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7 4 hours are needed on an Intel XEOM 2.5GHz Quadcore PC with 4GB RAM.
Figure 4-16  IC Module: execution control panel
5 RESULTS

5.1 MULTI-MODAL ASSIGNMENT EXAMPLES

Next, a collection of figures portraying the assignment of traffic in TRANS-TOOLS OD matrices for all NUTS3 pairs in Europe onto the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph are provided. For an extended gallery of IC Module assignment results, see Appendix 1.

In Figure 5-1 to Figure 5-4 traffic in the road network is shown in red, traffic in the rail network in green and traffic in the air network in blue. Different assignments have been done for different trip purposes: business trips, personal trips, commuting trips and holiday and leisure trips. For a NUTS3 to NUTS3 relation, traffic is assigned in an all-or-nothing basis.

![Traffic assignment example for business trips in the Mediterranean arch](image-url)
In Figure 5-1 above, it can be observed that business travellers in Western Europe tend to use the rail mode for preferential ODs such as Barcelona-Madrid, or Lyon-Paris. Figure 5-2 below shows that private purpose trips (visiting relatives or friends, or other personal purposes) tend to use fewer airplane segments than business travellers, revealing their lower value of time.

**Figure 5-2  Traffic assignment example for private trips in the Mediterranean arch**
Commuter trips are most important in regions where NUTS3 are smaller, like in Germany or Italy. Figure 5-3 shows that for France or Spain, where NUTS3 are larger, very few commuter trips exist between different NUTS3. Only some traffic can be tracked around big metropolitan areas, such as trips between Barcelona and the surrounding NUTS3 (Girona at the north and Tarragona at the south). Traffic levels are much lower in any case than for any other trip purpose considered.

Figure 5-3  Traffic assignment example for commuters trips in the Mediterranean arch
Holiday trips tend to use the road mode for mid-distance trips, like within the Iberian peninsula (e.g. most relations from Madrid to the costal areas), as value of time for holiday travel is much lower than for other trip purposes (Figure 5-4). The air mode is chosen for the very long distance, for instance, between Northern Europe and the Mediterranean seaside.

Figure 5-4   Traffic assignment example for holiday trips in the Mediterranean arch
5.2 **WAYS FOR FUTURE IMPROVEMENT**

Possible future improvements in the IC Module and IC multi-modal graph for more accurate simulation are as follows:

- Testing a stochastic user equilibrium algorithm to allocate trips among reasonable multi-modal chains between ODs. This new way would overcome the limitations of an *all-or-nothing* assignment routine, representing a more accurate image of reality.

- Even if the IC Module is able to track interconnections intra-network, that is transitions from a local rail network onto a long-distance rail network – defined as the EU rail core network as presented in the DGTRÉN TEN-CONNECT study - and from a local road network onto a long-distance road network – defined as the EU road core network as presented in TEN-CONNECT - the model is not able to introduce penalties for those changes. To be able to penalise transfers intra-network for the rail mode, a service scheme should be put in place, like in the case of air services or ferry services.

- All airports in the TRANS-TOOLS graph are represented as nodes. There has been an attempt in INTERCONNECT to increase the resolution of the modelling process in airports by creating nodes for each of the airport terminals, allowing with that to analyse internal interconnections at airports. Airports in Europe with more than one terminal and significant transit times between them were located, new nodes were created in the geographic position of the terminals, and connectors were established between them. However, due to the lack of information regarding flight arrival/departure split among terminals, this task was finally abandoned, but could represent a way for further improvement of the graph.

- Connectors between different transport networks are generated automatically, maximum one between each city or transport terminal and a nearby transport network. Connectors are created only when their lengths lies above a certain threshold. This procedure implies a substantial simplification of reality, because when automating the process of creation of connectors, these are created in all those situations where conditions in reality are sufficient to allow a connection, which is when networks exist and are close enough to each other. However, in reality the connection may or may not exist. To limit the impact of this, a review of the largest transport terminals in Europe was undertaken to correct maladjustments, but a complete review of all transport terminals could unveil maladjustments in medium and small transport terminals.

- The IC Module has considered differences in travel behaviour and travel volumes resulting from different trip purposes (business, private, commuter and holidays). Differences in travel behaviour resulting from different niche users like elderly or youths have not been considered in the IC Module due to lack of data availability, but could be stated as a possible way of improvement in the future.
6 REFERENCES


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APPENDIX 1 - RESULTS

MULTI-MODAL GRAPH ASSIGNMENTS
Next, a collection of figures portraying the assignment of traffic in TRANS-TOOLS OD matrices for all NUTS3 pairs in Europe onto the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph are provided.

In red, traffic in the road network; in green traffic in the rail network; in blue traffic in the air network.

Different assignments have been done for different trip purposes: business trips, personal trips, commuting trips and holiday and leisure trips.

**Business traffic assigned in the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph**

![Map of business traffic assignment](image)

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)

**Traffic assignment for business trips in the Mediterranean arch**
Traffic assignment for business trips London-Paris-Benelux

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for business trips in the Baltic Region

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for business trips in Central Europe

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for business trips in the Aegean and Black Sea

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Private traffic assigned in the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph

Airlinks traffic (>50,000 passengers)

Rail traffic

Road traffic

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)

Traffic assignment for private trips in the Mediterranean arch
Traffic assignment for private trips London-Paris-Benelux

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)

Airlinks traffic (>50,000 passengers)
Rail traffic
Road traffic

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Traffic assignment for private trips in the Baltic Region

Airlinks traffic (>50,000 passengers)
Rail traffic
Road traffic

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for private trips in the Aegean and Black Sea

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for private trips in Central Europe

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Commuter traffic assigned in the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)

Traffic assignment for commuters trips in the Mediterranean arch
Traffic assignment for commuters trips London-Paris-Benelux

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for commuters trips in the Baltic Region

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for commuters trips in the Aegean and Black Sea

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for commuters trips in Central Europe

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Holidays and leisure traffic assigned in the INTERCONNECT multi-modal graph

Traffic assignment for holiday trips in the Mediterranean arch

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for holiday trips London-Paris-Benelux

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for holiday trips in the Baltic Region

Airlinks traffic (>50,000 passengers)

Rail traffic

Road traffic

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for holiday trips in the Aegean and Black Sea

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
Traffic assignment for holiday trips in Central Europe

(source: Interconnect, based on TRANS-TOOLS 2005 databases)
APPENDIX 2 - IC MODULE VALIDATION

ITERATION NOTE SHEETS
Name of assignment: 1st Assignment

Date of assignment: 08/03/2011

Description: In this assignment, travel costs and values of travel time have been extracted from Trans-tools parameters. Initial values for interconnection impedance parameters, evaluated according to a basic set of shortest path assignments between representative NUTS-3 pairs.

Main Parameters:

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<th>Interconnecting costs in euro/km</th>
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Travel Costs in euro/km

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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports:

90min

Output Analysis

Globally, there are too many users that are travelling on road in this assignment than in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment, while rail and air are staying behind than in TRANS-TOOLS assignment. The dysfunction is mostly happening with business travellers, who should apparently use more airplane.

In the road traffic graph, there are more business and holiday trip users in this assignment than in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While commuters trip users and private trip users are just a bit more in this assignment than in TRANS-TOOLS assignment.
In the rail traffic graph, holiday and commuter trip users are the group which experiments a high fall in this assignment than in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While business and private users have a lower decrease.

In the airport traffic graph, there are strong drop in the group of users with a business trip purpose in this assignment than the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. Holiday trip users also decrease but less than business trip user. While, private trip users are that suffer the smallest drop.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS’ traffics and the IC Module’s, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

Summary conclusions
There are too many travellers that are travelling on road, while rail and air are staying behind. The disfunction is mostly happening with business travellers, who should apparently use more airplane.
Name of assignment: 2nd Assignment

Date of assignment: 09/03/2011

Description: In this assignment, there have been increased road and rail mid-distance costs. Besides, there have been some adjustments in connection costs to penalise road transport mode and to benefit rail and air transport modes.

Main Parameters:

Value of travel time in euro/hour
- Business: 15 €/h
- Private: 10 €/h
- Commuters: 7.5 €/h
- Holiday: 5 €/h

Travel Costs in euro/km
- Road: 0.15 €/km
- Short-distance train: 0.1 €/km
- Medium-distance train: 0.125 €/km
- Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Interconnecting costs in euro/km
- City-road connector: 0.2 €/km
- City-train connector: 0.15 €/km
- Airport-road connector: 0.5 €/km
- Airport-train connector: 0.25 €/km
- Train-road connector: 0.25 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

Broadly, there a huge difference in rail traffic between this assignment and TRANS-TOOLS assignment. However, road and air modes, which present similar behaviours, haven't big disparities between both assignments, by 10% less in this assignment than in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments

In the road traffic graph, most of the type of trips—holiday, private and commuter—suffer a decline in this assignment respect than TRANS-TOOLS assignment. Just road business road trips experiments an increase around 7%
In the rail traffic graph, all kind of trips has the same behaviour; all of them have a huge growth with values higher than 50%, in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. In the airport traffic, almost all of kinds of travellers have the same path, basically most of them fall in different size in this assignment respect the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. Overall, business trip experiments a significant drop near 30%, while holidays trip have a low drop –less than 10%-. Finally, private travellers have an insignificant decline.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS’ traffic and the IC Module’s, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

Summary conclusions
To sum up, in this assignment road and rail transport modes are now much more adjusted in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model but rail is used too much, mainly by private and holiday trips.
Name of assignment: 3rd Assignment  
Date of assignment: 09/03/2011  

Description: In this assignment have been changed travel costs for road and rail modes but dispersion has been reduced to a minimum value of 0 in all parameters in order to see the impact of having no regional variations on the global results.

Main Parameters:

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Travel Costs in euro/km:

| Road: 0.15 €/km                  | Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0 |
| Short-distance train: 0.1 €/km   | Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min |
| Medium-distance train: 0.125 €/km|                                              |
| Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km    |                                                |

Output Analysis:

At large, there a huge difference in rail traffic between this assignment and TRANS-TOOLS assignment. However, road and air modes, which present similar behaviours, haven’t big disparities between both assignments, by 10% less in this assignment than in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments:

In the road traffic graph, most of the type of trips –holiday, private and commuter- suffer a decline in this assignment respect than TRANS-TOOLS assignment. Just road business road trips experiments a increase of nearly 7%.
In the rail traffic graph, all kind of trips has the same behaviour; most of them –business, holiday and private- have a huge growth with results higher than 50%. While, commuter trips have a lower growth, nearly 10%.

In the airport traffic, all kind of users fall in this assignment. Overall, business users experiments a significant decrease near 30%, then holidays users have a lower drop –less than 10%- . While, private travellers decline slightly, by 2%.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS’ traffic and the IC Module’s, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

**Summary conclusions**

In conclusion, in this assignment a dispersion of value 0 makes all prices and costs equal across the different regions. The result is a worse adjustment when compared to the scenario with dispersion 0,1.
Name of assignment: 4th Assignment

Date of assignment: 09/03/2011

Description: In this assignment have been changed travel costs for road and rail modes but dispersion has been increased to a maximum value of 1 in all parameters in order to see the impact of having regional variations on the global results.

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Travel Costs in euro/km

| Road                              | 0.15 €/km          |
| Short-distance train              | 0.1 €/km           |
| Medium-distance train             | 0.125 €/km         |
| Long-distance train               | 0.2 €/km           |

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

Globally, all transport modes –road, rail and air- have different behaviours. Air transport mode has results reasonable similar in this assignment in comparison with TRANSTOOLS model. Then, road transport mode declines nearly 10%. While rail transport mode increases too much, more than 50%.

In the road traffic graph, most kind of travellers –holiday, private and commuter- decline in this assignment. Holiday is the kind of travellers that fall more deeply, by 15%, and commuter the group that experiment a lower decrease, nearly 5%. While business travellers increase nearly 7%.
In the rail traffic graph, all kind of trips has the same behaviour; private trips have a huge increase of more than 100%. Then holiday trips increase strongly, nearly 50%. And business trips grow more than 20%. Finally, commuter trips rise nearly 10%.

In the airport traffic, holiday users have a slightly increase nearly 3% and private users have a significant growth of more than 20%. By contrast, business users drop nearly 20%.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS’ traffic and the IC Module’s, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

Summary conclusions
To sum up, a higher dispersion means increasing the differences in prices and costs throughout Europe. The effect is a better fit with the original TRANS-TOOLS results. However, although there is a correct change from road to air, rail mode still has too many trips.
Name of assignment: 5th Assignment

Date of assignment: 15/03/2011

Description: In this assignment has been increased the Value of Time for the four types of travellers. Furthermore it has been made a correction of medium-distance rail costs

Main Parameters:

Value of travel time in euro/hour
- Business: 20 €/h
- Private: 12 €/h
- Commuters: 10 €/h
- Holiday: 7.5 €/h

Interconnecting costs in euro/km
- City-road connector: 0.2 €/km
- City-train connector: 0.15 €/km
- Airport-road connector: 0.5 €/km
- Airport-train connector: 0.25 €/km
- Train-road connector: 0.25 €/km

Travel Costs in euro/km
- Road: 0.15 €/km
- Short-distance train: 0.1 €/km
- Medium-distance train: 0.15 €/km
- Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports:
- 90min

Output Analysis

In general terms, this assignment offers values quite adjusted values, the differences between the results of this assignment and the TRANS-TOOLS assignment results are below 10%. Road transport mode increases by 4% and rail transport mode rises nearly 7%. While air transport mode declines nearly 8%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments

In the road traffic graph, business and holiday users have the same path, both grows a 15% in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. Commuters users also increase, but not so much, less than 5%. While private users have a small decline by 5%.
In the rail traffic graph, private and business trips increase more than 35% and more 20% respectively in this assignment respect the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While commuter and holidays trips falls more than 25% and 15% severally.

In the airport traffic graph, business users experiment a high decrease in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS results. While holiday and private trips have less differences between both assignments, air users have a low decline and private users a low increase respectively.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS' traffic and the IC Module's, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

Summary conclusions

In conclusion, in this assignment the increase in Value of Time has resulted in a more accurate fit of Transtools results, with differences by mode under 10%, although these differences are bigger when looking at the trips per travel purpose.
Name of assignment: 6th Assignment
Date of assignment: 15/03/2011
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario with increased Value of Time, with slightly higher road and rail costs and cheaper interconnection to air mode. Also a higher dispersion value has been adopted, provided that it seems that higher dispersion gives a better fit to TRANS-TOOLS results.

Main Parameters:

**Value of travel time in euro/hour**
- Business: 20 €/h
- Private: 12 €/h
- Commuters: 10 €/h
- Holiday: 7.5 €/h

**Travel Costs in euro/km**
- Road: 0.155 €/km
- Short-distance train: 0.11 €/km
- Medium-distance train: 0.16 €/km
- Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

**Interconnecting costs in euro/km**
- City-road connector: 0.1 €/km
- City-train connector: 0.1 €/km
- Airport-road connector: 0.125 €/km
- Airport-train connector: 0.125 €/km
- Train-road connector: 0.25 €/km

**Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values**: 0.5

**Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports**: 90min

Output Analysis
Generally, this assignment has given quite fit results, but not for all transport types. The fittest values are in the air transport mode, almost equal that in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While the results from the road transport mode are quite satisfactory, below 5% more. However, results from rail transport mode could be improved.

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In the road traffic graph, most of the trip types –business, holiday and commuter- present an increaseamant of users in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS results. Nonetheless, road private users slightly decrease in this assignment.
In the rail traffic graph, private and business users grow, 10% and 20% respectively. While, holiday and commuter users have a high decline, near of 40%.

In the airport traffic graph, private trip gains near a 15% of users in this assignment respect TRANS-TOOLS assignment, holiday users experiment a insignificant increase, while business trip suffers a fall of 20% of users.

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Summary conclusions
To sum up, the model is highly sensitive to rail cost, and a slight increase has resulted in a big decrease in the use of rail. Air mode has now a good fit when measured globally.
**Name of assignment:** 7th Assignment  
**Date of assignment:** 15/03/2011  
**Description:** This assignment is based on a mix of the scenarios "Increase in Value of Time" and "Variation in rail and air costs", but with an interconnection penalty of 0 minutes for changing between air services.

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**Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values:** 0.1

**Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports:** 0min

**Output Analysis**

At large, this assignment presents good results in road transport mode, with a small decrease of less than 5% in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While rail and air transport modes have less fit results. The first one drops more than 20% and the second one grows more than 25%.

In the road traffic graph, business and commuter travellers experiment a increasement near 10% in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS results. While holiday and private travellers suffer a slightly drop very similar, near 5%.
In the rail traffic graph, holiday and commuter travellers have high decreases, more than 60% and more 40% respectively. While business and private travellers experiment mild growths, more than 5% and more 10% respectively.

In the air traffic graph, private travellers group grows too much in this model, more than 80%. Holiday travellers increase but less, more than 30%. While, business travellers declines more than 10%.

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**Summary conclusions**
In conclusion, when in the model the penalty waiting time between consecutive planes is reduced to 0, it generates an enormous increase in plane use, mainly coming form road trips but also some from the rail.
Name of assignment: 8th Assignment
Date of assignment: 16/03/2011
Description: This assignment is based on a mix of the scenarios "Variation in rail and air costs", with slightly lower cost of road but higher interconnection cost from road to city. Slight reduction of short distance rail cost.

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Travel Costs in euro/km
Road: 0.15 €/km
Short-distance train: 0.1 €/km
Medium-distance train: 0.16 €/km
Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.5
Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 60min

Output Analysis
Generally, this assignment presents fit results for the road and air transport modes, both have a small increase respect than the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. But rail transport mode is not adjusted yet; rail travellers have been cut up near 20% in this model.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments

In the road traffic graph, most kind of trips –business, holiday and commuter- have a rise of travellers in this assignment in comparison with TRANS-TOOLS model. Specifically, business trips increase more than 15%, holiday trips increase 10% and commuter trips increase 5%. While private travellers suffers a small fall, of less than 5% TRANS-TOOLS model.
In the rail traffic graph, business trips appears as a good result in this model because it doesn't present any substantial difference with the results of the TRANS-TOOLS model. However holiday, private and commuter trips presents high disparities, holiday travellers fall more than 50% and commuters travellers drop 30%. White private trips grow near 20%.

In the air traffic graph, business travellers fall less than 20%, holiday travellers increase near 10%. While private travellers have an increase of more than 25%.

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Summary conclusions
To summarise, a reduction of 50% in the time penalty for air services has resulted in a high increase in use of the air mode. This increase comes in part from rail travellers but also from a great number of road travellers.
Name of assignment: 9th Assignment

Date of assignment: 21/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short distance, a dispersion parameter of 0.5 and time penalty of 60 minutes.

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Output Analysis

Generally, this assignment presents very fit results. All transport modes have the same behaviour, with very low values between -2% -road transport mode- and 7% -air transport mode-.

In the road traffic graph, business users increase an 8%, while holiday and commuter users have an insignificant increase, near 2% in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS results. However road users fall near a 6%.

In the rail traffic graph, private trips have an important increase of 40%, business trips also grows but less, almost 20%, While holiday users fall more than 20% and commuter drops more than 15% too.
In the air traffic graph, holiday and private users increase in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While business trip drops more than 15%.

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**Summary conclusions**
To sum up, the slight reduction in rail cost has equilibrated the rail passengers moving them from the road mode. All transport modes have now less than 10% difference with respect to Transtools assignment.
Name of assignment: 10th Assignment
Date of assignment: 21/03/2011
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short-distance, a dispersion parameter of 1 and time penalty of 60 minutes.

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Travel Costs in euro/km
- Road: 0.15 €/km
- Short-distance train: 0.09 €/km
- Medium-distance train: 0.15 €/km
- Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 11

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 60min

Output Analysis
Generally, this assignment presents quite accurate results for two of the the variables, rail and road transport modes have close results to the TRANS-TOOLS model. While in the air transport mode the differences between both assignments increase a 10%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignations

In the road traffic graph, business users have a substantially increase of almost 10%, and holiday and commuter users have a slightly grow, less than 2%, while private users fall more than 6%, in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS results.

In the rail traffic graph, business and private trips presents high disparities, the first one decrease 30% and the second one grows 40%. Commuter users also decline, but lower, a bit more of 10%. While
that business users have an increase of almost 10%, in this model in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment.

In the air traffic graph, holiday and private users increase, the first one too much, more than 50%, however private trips grows a 10%. While business users decline a bit more of 10% in this model in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS assignment.

![Road traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments](image)

![Rail traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments](image)

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![Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments](image)

**Summary conclusions**

In conclusion, in this case an increase of dispersion factor has the effect of increasing the air trips. Globally the fit has worsened.
Name of assignment: 11th Assignment  
Date of assignment: 21/03/2011  
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short distance, a dispersion parameter of 0.5 and time penalty of 90 minutes.

Main Parameters:

- **Value of travel time in euro/hour**
  - Business: 25 €/h  
  - Private: 10 €/h  
  - Commuters: 10 €/h  
  - Holiday: 7,5 €/h

- **Interconnecting costs in euro/km**
  - City-road connector: 0.25 €/km  
  - City-train connector: 0.1 €/km  
  - Airport-road connector: 0.125 €/km  
  - Airport-train connector: 0.125 €/km  
  - Train-road connector: 0.25 €/km

- **Travel Costs in euro/km**
  - Road: 0,15 €/km  
  - Short-distance train: 0,09 €/km  
  - Medium-distance train: 0,15 €/km  
  - Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

- **Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values**: 0,5

- **Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports**: 90min

Output Analysis:

In general terms, road and air results have been improved, overall road transport mode, which has almost equal values in this assignment and in the TRANS-TOOLS assignment. While results from rail transport are a bit worse, they have increased nearly 10%.

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In the road traffic graph, business and holiday travellers have a similar behavior, they have a growth of nearly 10%. And commuter travellers present a insignificant increasement of less than 2%. While private travellers fall by 6%.
In the rail traffic graph, holiday and commuter travellers decline more than 10%. While private trips have a high rise of more than 40% and business trips increase by 20%.

In the air traffic graph, air holiday presents fitted results, with an unsubstantial growth. While business travellers drop more than 15% and private travellers increase nearly 10%.

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Summary conclusions
To conclude, a higher time penalty in connecting flights produces that travellers move from air transport mode to road and rail transports modes, but the rail grows too much.
Name of assignment: 12th Assignment

Date of assignment: 21/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario “Variation in interconnections and time penalty”, with slightly lower cost of rail short distance, a dispersion parameter of 1 and time penalty of 90 minutes

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Travel Costs in euro/km

Road: 0.15 €/km
Short-distance train: 0.09 €/km
Medium -distance train: 0.15 €/km
Long -distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

At large, all transport modes have a similar behaviour, besides they presents very fitted results. The best values are from road transport mode, their results are equal in this assignment and in the TRANS-TOOLS model. While rail and air have a low increase, nearly 6%.

In the road traffic graph, most of the trips share the same path of growing, overall business travellers with a increase of more than 10%, holiday travellers with a growth nearly 6% and commuter travellers practically doesn’t rise, under 1%. While private travellers drops by more than 6%.
In the rail traffic graph, private trips have a high increase of more than 40%, business travellers also grow but less, nearly 10%. While, holiday and commuter travellers decline, more than 20% and more than 10% respectively.

In the air traffic graph, holiday trips have a slightly rise nearly 5%, and the private trips have a substantial increase by 30%. While business travellers drop almost 15%.

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Summary conclusions
To sum up, this assignment presents good results with fitted values under 6%, by increasing the dispersion value to 1.
Name of assignment: 13th Assignment

Date of assignment: 22/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 1 for Value of Time, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and interchange costs

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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

Generally, road and air transport modes present fitted results in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model, they have a slight decline, under 5%. While the difference between both assignment in rail transport mode has a high increase, nearly 30%.

In the road traffic graph, all kind of trips have a difference under 10% between both assignments. Just private users fall by 9%. While business and holiday users increase, the first one nearly 6% and the second one nearly 4%. And commuter users are practically equal in both assignment, with a insignificant increase nearly 1%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments

![Traffic differences graph](image-url)
In the rail traffic graph, the results are worse than in road transport mode. Private trips increase too much, more than 60%. And business trips also have a high increase nearly 30%. Only holiday users have a slightly growth, nearly 5%. On the other hand, commuter trips drop more than 10%.

In the air traffic graph, holiday trips have the best fitted results because these haven’t difference between both assignments. But business trips fall more than 15% and private trips increase nearly 10%.

The figure below represents the relative error between TRANS-TOOLS’ traffic and the IC Module’s, for each country and for road (red), rail (green) and air (blue). The levels of error are relatively low in most cases for the EU27 Member States. Major disfunctions tend to concentrate in peripheral non Member States, where modelling is less accurate, and in the rail and the air modes.

Summary conclusions
To conclude, the choice in dispersion values in this assignment has clearly favoured the rail transport mode at expense of both air and road transport modes.
Name of assignment: 14h Assignment
Date of assignment: 22/03/2011
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 1 for Value of Time, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs
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Travel Costs in euro/km
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- Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 1

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis
In general terms, road and air transport modes presents fitted results in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model, they have a slightly decline, under 5%. While the difference between both assignment in rail transport mode has a high increase, nearly 30%

In the road traffic graph, all kind of trips have a difference under 10% between both assignments. Just private users fall by 9%. While business and holiday users increase, the first one nearly 6% and the second one nearly 4%. And commuter users are practically equal in both assignment, with a insignificant increase nearly 1%.
In the rail traffic graph, the results are worse than in road transport mode. Private trips increase too much, more than 60%. And business trips also have a high increase nearly 30%. Only holiday users have a slightly growth, nearly 5%. On the other hand, commuter trips drop more than 10%.

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Summary conclusions
To sum up, in this assignment a value of 0 in the dispersion parameter for interchange costs improves the fit to Transtools data, but only marginally.
Name of assignment: 15h Assignment

Date of assignment: 22/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.5 for Value of Time, 0.5 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs

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Travel Costs in euro/km

Road: 0.15 €/km
Short-distance train: 0.09 €/km
Medium-distance train: 0.15 €/km
Long-distance train: 0.2 €/km

Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.5

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

Generally, all transport modes –road, rail and air- presents good results in this assignment, because the differences between this assignment and the TRANS-TOOLS model are under 10%. The fittest results are in the road transport mode, with a slightly increase, then air users grow by 5% and rail users fall nearly by 10%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignments

In the road traffic graph, business users are the group which has the highest increase, nearly 15%; then, holiday users grow more than 5%, and commuter users have a insignificant rise. While private users fall nearly 5%.
In the rail traffic graph, business trips are equal than in the TRANS-TOOLS model. While holiday trips drop strongly by 40%, and also commuter users fall more than 10%. In contrast to private users which grow substantially more than 25%.

In the air traffic graph, private trips have a high growth, more than 30%; while holiday trips increase more than 5%. Otherwise, business users decline more than 10%.

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**Summary conclusions**
In conclusion, the choice of dispersion values in this scenario has a result in a situation similar to that of scenario "Sixth assignment Disp 1 TP 90", but road and rail shifting roles.
Name of assignment: 16h Assignment  
Date of assignment: 22/03/2011  
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.5 for Value of Time, 0.1 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs  
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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.5

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis

Broadly, road and air transport modes present fitted results, their differences in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model are under 5%. But the result of rail transport mode is worst, it has a higher growth, more than 30%.

In the road traffic graph, all purpose trips have quite fitted results, all of them have differences under 10%. Business users grow more than 5%, and holiday users increase by 4%, while commuter users have an insignificant rise, growing less than 1%. In contrast to holiday users, which are the unique group that drops, less than 10%.
In the rail traffic graph, private and business trips haven’t fitted results, because both grow too much, the first one more than 60% and the second one by 40%. While holiday users increase by 10%. In contrast to commuter users which decline more than 10%.

In the air traffic graph, private and holiday trips present quite good results, overall holiday purpose which has a slightly decline nearly 1%, while private users grows more than 5%. However, business users have a substantial decline by 25%

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Summary conclusions
To sum up, a lower value of dispersion for infrastructure costs in this assignment makes a high increase of rail trips.
Name of assignment: 17h Assignment

Date of assignment: 23/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.75 for all parameters. And the time penalty is increased slightly to 120 minutes. Besides, airport-road connector and airport-train connector costs have been experimented a slightly rise.

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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.75

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 120min

Output Analysis

At large, road and air transport modes present adjusted results in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model, their values are reasonable similar in both assignments. Whereas, rail transport mode has a high increase by 12%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignations

In the road traffic graph, holiday and business users increase, they grow more than 10%. While commuter travellers have an insignificant increase nearly 1%. Private travellers, meanwhile, fall by 6%.
In the rail traffic graph, private trips increase more than 40%, and business trips increase nearly 20%. While holiday and commuter trips both decline more than 10%.

In the air traffic graph, holiday travellers decrease slightly by 3%, while business travellers fall more than 15%. In contrast to private travellers which grow more than 5%.

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Summary conclusions
To sum up, a lower value of dispersion for infrastructure costs in this assignment causes a high increase of rail trips. While the results of road and air trips from this assignment are very similar to the results from the TRANS-TOOLS model.
Name of assignment: 18h Assignment
Date of assignment: 23/03/2011
Description: This assignment is based on the scenario "12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes", with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.75 for all parameters. Besides, airport-road connector and airport-train connector costs have been experimented a slightly rise.

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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.75
Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports: 90min

Output Analysis
Generally, all transport modes –road, rail and air- have quite adjusted results in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model. Road transport mode presents the best results, increasing slightly by 1%. Then air transport mode has quite good values, it rises less than 3%. Whereas, rail transport mode grows nearly 8%.

Traffic differences for multimodal-unimodal assignations

In the road traffic graph, business travellers increase more than 8%, and holiday travellers also grow nearly 6%. Commuter travellers, meanwhile, have an insignificant increase nearly 1%. By contrast, private travellers decline more than 6%.
In the rail traffic graph, private users have a substantial increase of more than 40% and business users also rise by 15%. Whereas holiday users drop significantly nearly 20% and commuter users decline by 15%.

In the air traffic graph, holiday trips increase slightly less than 5%, while private users rise more than 20%, In contrast to business users which decrease nearly 15%.

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Summary conclusions
In conclusion, the introduction of a lower value of dispersion for infrastructure costs in this assignment makes a high increase in the rail transport mode. Road and air transport modes, meanwhile, have adjusted values, they are reasonable similar with the results of TRANS-TOOLS model.
Name of assignment: 19h Assignment
Date of assignment: 23/03/2011

Description: This assignment is based on the scenario “12th assignment with dispersion value of 1 and time penalty value of 90 minutes”, with variations in the dispersion parameters: 0.75 for Value of Time, 0.75 for infrastructure costs and 0 for interchange costs. Besides, airport-road connector and airport-train connector costs have been experimented a slightly rise.

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Dispersion of travel cost and time cost values: 0.75 // 0.75 // 0.75

Time Penalty for interconnecting at airports:

90min

Output Analysis

In general terms, all trips have small differences, with increases below 6%, between this assignment and the TRANS-TOOLS model. Overall, road and rail transport modes have suitable results, with slightly growths under 2%. While rail transport mode increases nearly 6%.

In the road traffic graph, business and holiday trips increase, the first one grows by 10% and the second one rises nearly 8%. While commuter trips have a insignificant increase by less than 2%. In contrast, private trips fall by 6%.

In the rail traffic graph, private users have a high growth of 40%, and business users also increase more than 10%. While holiday and commuter users drop substantially by 20%.
In the air traffic graph, holiday travellers have a slightly increase by less than 5%, while private travellers grow more than 15%. In contrast of business travellers which decline nearly 15%.

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Summary conclusions
To conclude, the impact of introducing a lower value of dispersion parameter for infrastructure costs in this assignment has been generate a high increase of rail trips, whereas road and air trips are very similar in this assignment in comparison with the TRANS-TOOLS model.
APPENDIX 3 - SOFTWARE

OPERATING THE IC MODULE
Browsing the Graph

A set of control buttons located on top of the left bar of the IC Module can be used to browse the transport graph. Zooms can be applied to examine details of the graph, e.g. transport terminal connectors, and movement is allowed through the pan option.

1. ZOOM IN. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
2. ZOOM OUT. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
3. ZOOM WINDOW. Select the desired screen area and left-click to zoom to apply.
4. ZOOM ALL. Shows all elements on the graph. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
5. ZOOM CENTER/SCALE: Shows a zoom centered on selected point and with typed scale factor. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
6. REDRAW: Refresh window. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
7. ZOOM SELECTED ELEMENT: Shows a zoom centered on first selected element, maintaining scale factor. Clicking successively over window, shows a zoom centered on next selected element.
8. ZOOM ALL SELECTED ELEMENTS: Shows a zoom level such that all selected elements are displayed. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
9. ZOOM PREVIOUS: Shows previous zoom. Select icon from menu and left-click onto the graph to apply.
10. PAN. Move zoom maintaining scale factor. Select icon from menu. Left-click once onto the graph to select the anchor point, left-click twice to select pan direction, and left-click once again to apply.
Graphic manager

Graphic Manager allows creating, editing, deleting and consulting maps based on objects class included in workspace. A map is a selection of classes with their graphic properties. A map can be printed and exported to text processors or multimedia applications, through bmp format or directly through clipboard.

To enter Graphic Manager, click on tool’s bar or select EDIT–MAPS on main menu to open next window:

Creating and editing maps

To create a new map, click New button (type a name and click Apply). It is also possible to enter a Description, the Author and Date of map.

To edit the map name, click Save button and retype the name. To change Description, Author and Date, just retype new data.

To delete a map, select it on the tree and click Delete button.

Clicking Save as button, a new map with the same objects class will be created.

Previewing maps

When a map is selected on the tree, a small image of the map is shown. Clicking the left mouse button on any part of the map, a zoom of the area will be shown. To return to original size, clicking again left mouse button or .

To see an image of the map, click .

To see the legend of the map, click .
Views

It is possible to define different partial views of one map. All views are distinguished by the Scale and Geographic area covered. Views button opens a window from where it is possible defining, deleting or loading views.

If button New is clicked, it is possible saving the actual view.

To load a saved view in actual map, select View in views list and double click (or button <). To delete a saved view, select View in views list and click Delete button.

Map designer

Configurations… button opens Map Designer window, from where it is possible to choose classes and thematics included in map, and its graphic properties.

It has four tab sheets:

- **Reference classes**: Contains “reference” classes. The user can not edit them. These classes are protected and it is only possible changing their graphic properties (colour and width).

- **Active classes**: This sheet allows user to select objects classes included on a map. It is also possible editing graphic properties as colour, width, symbol, size, order and scale. Scale property determines the scale range where class must be shown in the map; if map has a scale not included in the range, class will be hidden.

- NIS classes that have to be part of a GRAPH, must not have Frozen checked. Elements of a Frozen class, can not be used as a GRAPH element and can not be consulted or modified.

- It is possible to show only a group of elements defined by a query. In this case, a query (previously defined on Data Manager) has to be selected on Query list. If no query is selected, all elements of the class will be shown.

- **Thematics levels**: Thematics levels are graphic representations of any objects class data. This sheet allows activate/deactivate thematics levels. Other properties that can be modified are Order and Frozen. To create, modify and delete thematics levels see Thematics Levels chapter.

- **Legend**: Contains all Reference classes, Active classes and Thematics levels included on map, all of them with their graphic properties. From this sheet it’s also possible to check/uncheck Legend property (classes with Legend checked will appear on map legend.)
Maps hierlinky

Maps (also named Configurations from now on in this Manual) can by organized following a hierlinky, with titles and subtitles. These titles can be expanded or compressed using next buttons.

To modify maps hierlinky, select FILES – OPEN WAREHOUSE on main menu. New window is opened, and Open button must be clicked. Database (MDB) of workspace will be opened. Select table ProjectVCN and open it.

Table fields are:

- VCNId: Indicates the order in which different configurations are shown. It can not be repeated.
- IsTITLE: Value 1 indicates it is a title (or group of configurations); value 0 indicates it is a map.
- Name: Name of the title or configuration.
- Parent: If the title or configuration belongs to a title, it indicates the VCNId of the parent title.
- Description: Description of the title or configuration.

Once the hierlinky is defined, workspace database must be closed, and Read button on Warehouse interface must be clicked.

Introducing changes to the Graph

It is possible creating new elements of any class configured as Active and Not frozen. To change these parameters, see the 5.3 Graphic manager chapter.

To access the control panel for interface for creating objects click on upper toolbar or select TOOLS–CREATING OBJECTS on main menu to open following window:

Active and Not frozen classes appear listed in this window. To create a new element, it is necessary selecting first the class in which objects will be drawn and then clicking over one of the buttons. Depending on the selected class type, different buttons are showed. Every button has a different function (maintaining the mouse cursor over button, appears a hint explaining button function).

Once an element is created, attributes must be loaded to this element so that it can be used as a part of a transport network.

Most commonly elements created for transport networks analysis are nodes and links.
Nodes

When a nodes class is selected, two different options to create new elements exist:

Isolated node:

First button allows creating isolated node.

Just locate the cursor over desired point and click left mouse button. Next window is opened:

By default, value of Key variable is the first available next to the last value used. However, it is possible to change it by typing it on New code edit. If new value is entered, it must not exist. Click Execute to create the node and to create a new register in all tables linked to the class.

This window appears always that a new element is created (nodes, links, etc.)

Partition node:

Second button breaks an existing link in two links and creates a new node in the intersection. New two links are automatically connected to created node. Original link code, remains in one of two new links.

In this case, it is necessary to select first the link to be broken (clicking left mouse button over the link). Once the link is selected, click again left mouse button to situate the node. Once done this operation, two windows appear to confirm creation of new link and node. Clicking Execute in these two windows, link will be broken and a new node will be created in the intersection.

Links

First button creates a link connected to two nodes (to get a navigable graph, links must be connected to nodes).
To create a link, next steps must be followed:

- Click left mouse button over origin node
- Click left mouse button over intermediate points (as many as desired)
- Finally, click right mouse button over destiny node.

Clicking Esc (on keyboard), creation of link will be cancelled.

Second button breaks a link into two new links, and connect two links to a node.

Next steps must be followed:
- Click left mouse button over link
- Click right button over node

Third button allows assigning a direction to a link. Next steps must be followed:
- Click left mouse button over the node
- Click left mouse button over the link.

Fourth button assigns double direction to a link. Next steps must be followed:
- Click left mouse button over any extremity node of the link.
- Click left mouse button over the link.
Building a Query

A query allows selecting a group of registers fulfilling a condition (queries are defined in SQL language).

To build a new query, the Data Manager control panel must be activated. To do so, click button on IC Modules upper toolbar or select DATABASE–DATA on main menu to open the window shown below:

![Database Manager window](image)

The Button Query then opens the following window.

![Define query to select objects](image)

To define a condition, it is possible writing it entirely using keyboard although exist buttons and a fields list that can be useful to define it. Once the condition is defined, query is executed by clicking Execute button.

All queries can be saved, by clicking Save button. To load a saved query, it has to be select in queries list box and afterwards clicking Execute.

It is also possible deleting a saved query (selecting the query and clicking Delete) and saving it with another name (selecting the query and clicking Save as).

When a query is executed, check box named Query in the Database Manager control panel appears checked. It indicates that only are shown registers that fulfil the condition defined. Records shows how many registers are selected.
Exporting results

To enter the Print control panel click on the upper toolbar or select FILE-PRINT on main menu to open next window:

Different options are Vectorial print, Bitmap print, Send to Word and Send to PowerPoint.
Vector print

It is necessary choosing Paper size and a Page layout. To create, editing or deleting a Page layout, click over button to open next window:

If any page layout is created, click New button. To modify a created page layout, select it and change options. To change layout name click Save button. To save a created layout with another name, select it and click Save As button. To delete a created layout, click Delete button.

It is necessary entering properties of elements that define a page layout:

- **Title**: Text, position (defined by X and Y coordinates), size and font type.
- **Legend**: Position (defined by X and Y coordinates), scale factor, border style and adjust.
- **Images**: If an image has to be included in the map, select file path, position (defined by X and Y coordinates), width and order.
- **Maps**: Select maps to be printed (at least select first check box), position (defined by X and Y coordinates), width, scale factor (automatically updated if width is changed), frame type (rectangle or circle) and border style. Maps are included in print with same view active on configuration.

Click Preview button to preview print. Next window is opened:
Click Ok to save page layout.

Once a Page layout and Paper size are defined, click Execute to print.

BIPMAP print
To generate a BMP file, select a View and Resolution, and then click Execute. A new window is opened to select path and name of BMP file.

Sent map to Microsoft Office files (Word or Power Point)
Select a View and choose if image has to be sent to a new file or to an existing file.