

# Logistics of movement of sea containers



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# Agenda

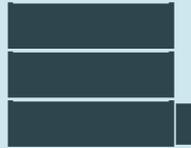
- General perception of container movements
- Shipping Companies' ideal movements
- The reality – surplus and demand locations
- Transshipment (Hub and Spoke) operations
- Inland movements
- Triangulation (Street turns)
- Points of interchange and inspections
- Summary

Key

to slide flow  
diagrams

Symbol

Description



Container Depot



Pack or Unpack point  
(warehouse)

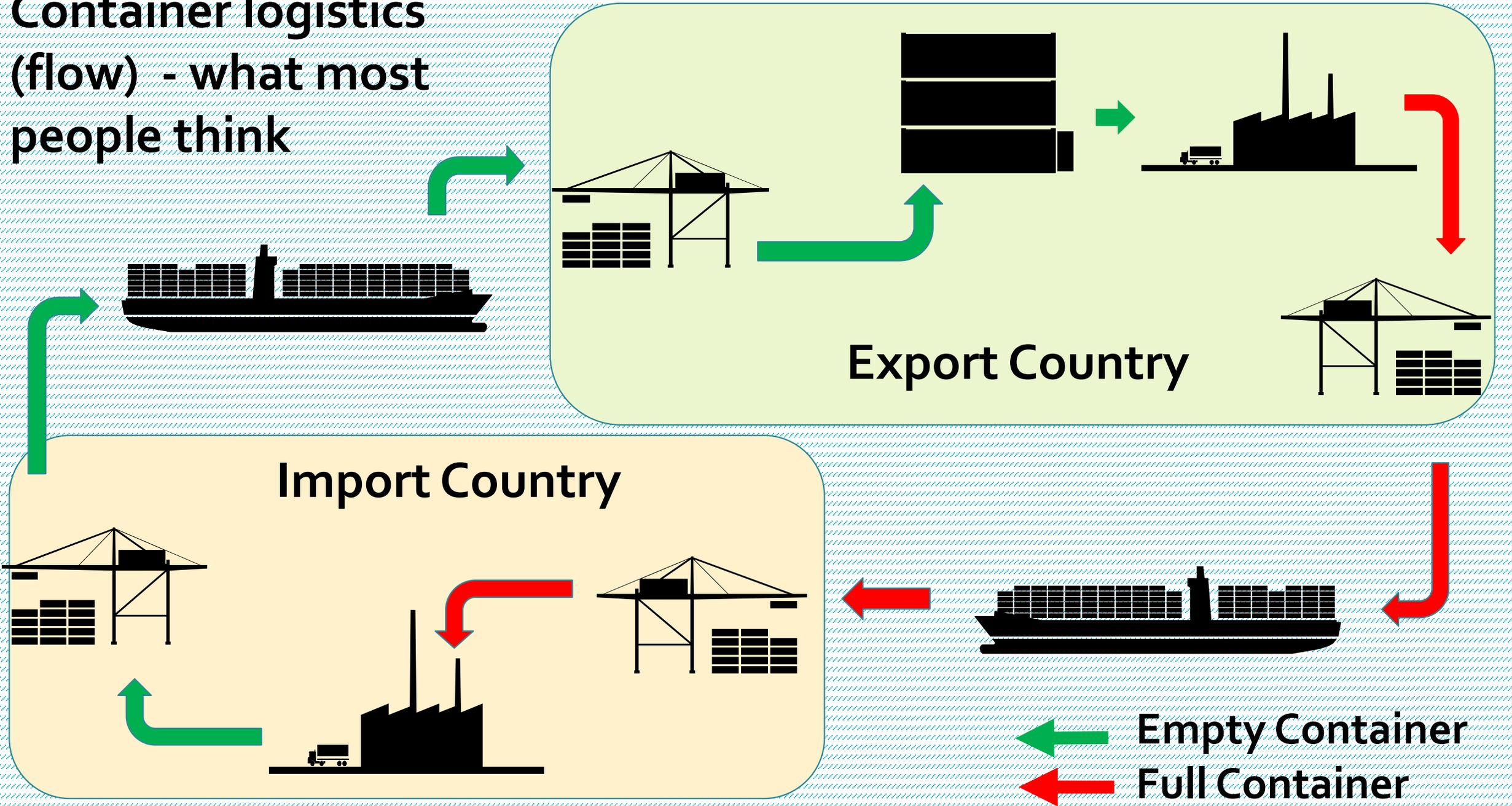


Container Terminal

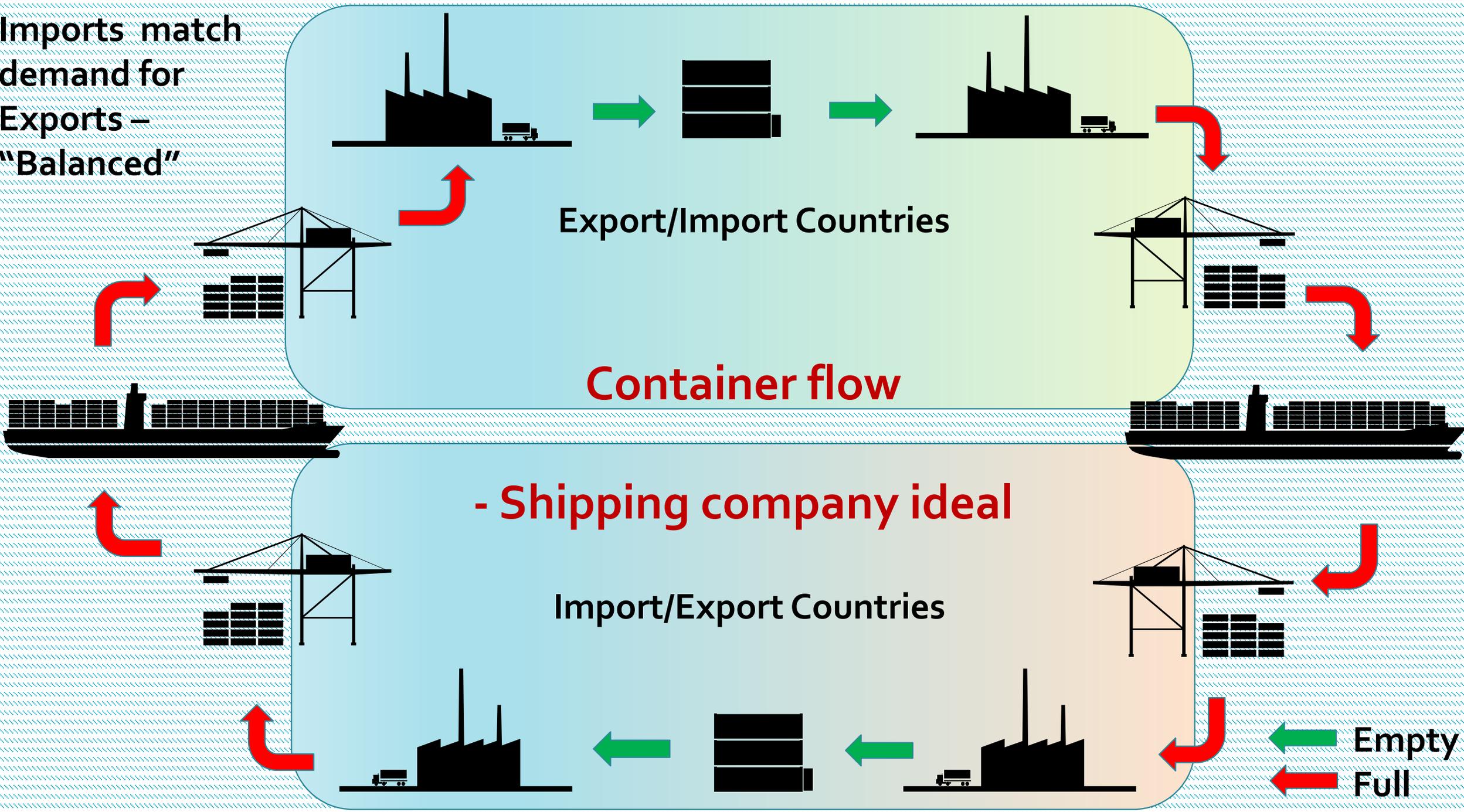


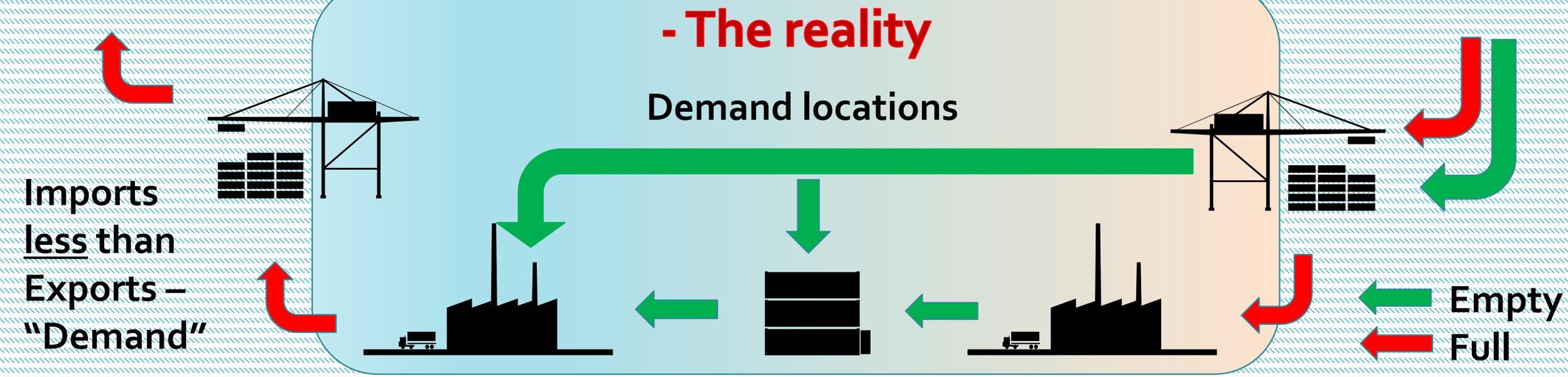
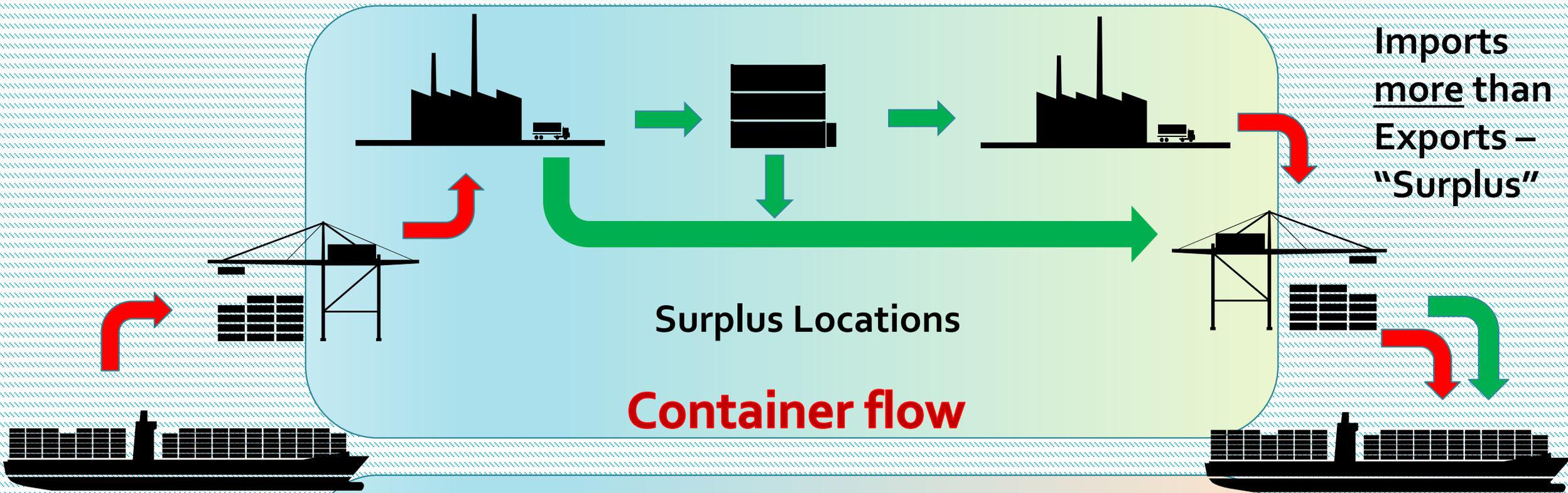
Container Vessel

# Container logistics (flow) - what most people think



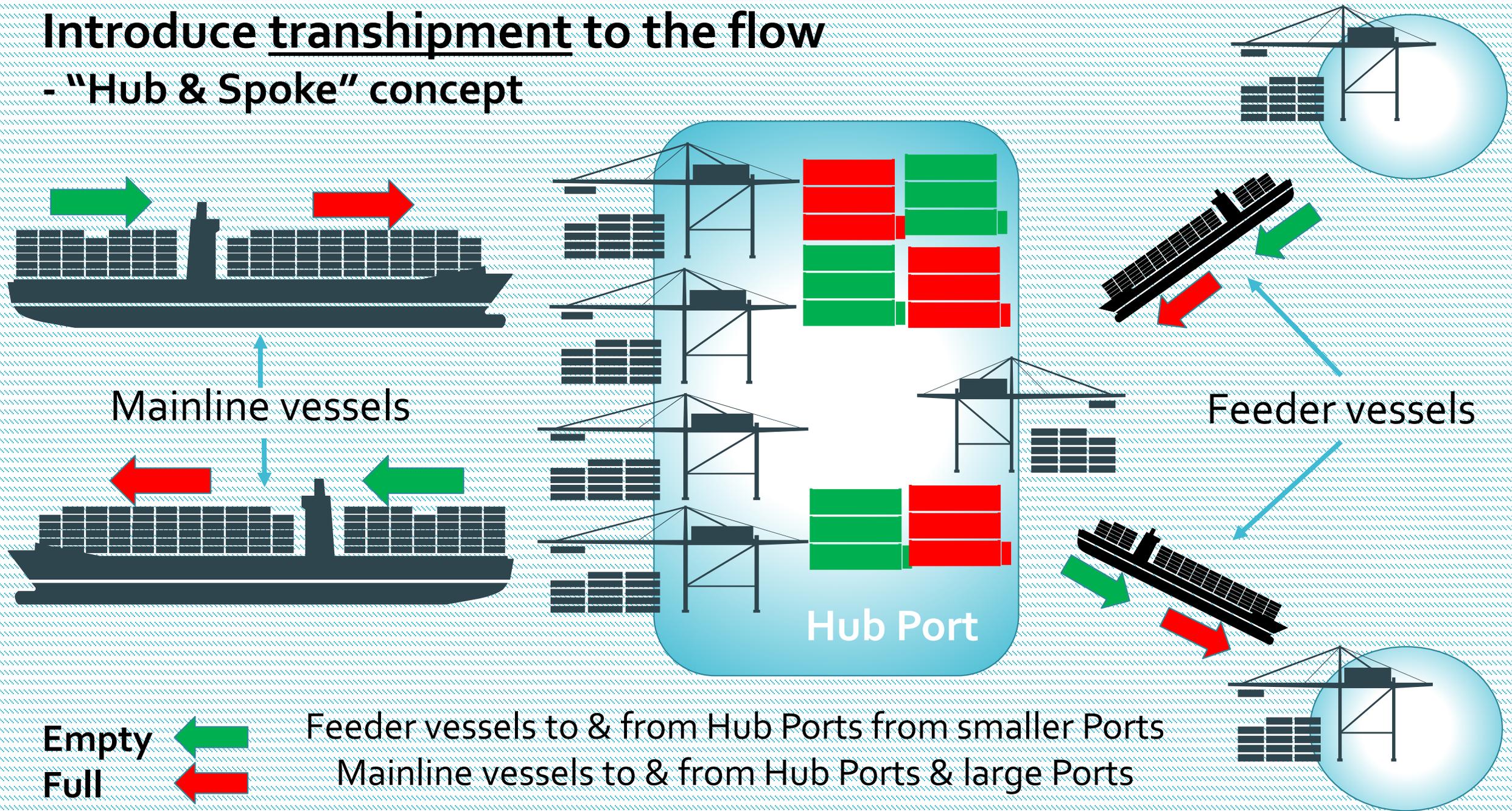
Imports match demand for Exports – “Balanced”



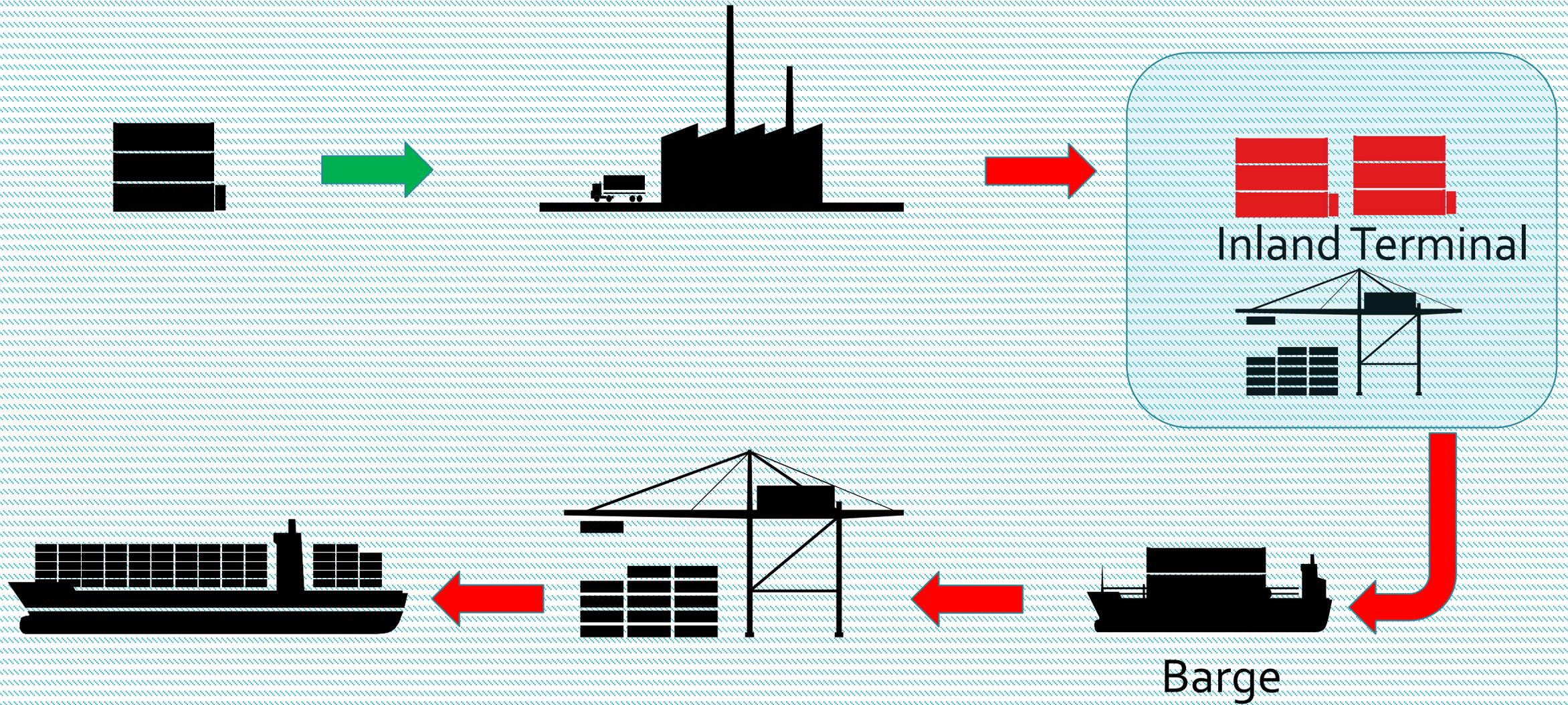


# Introduce transshipment to the flow

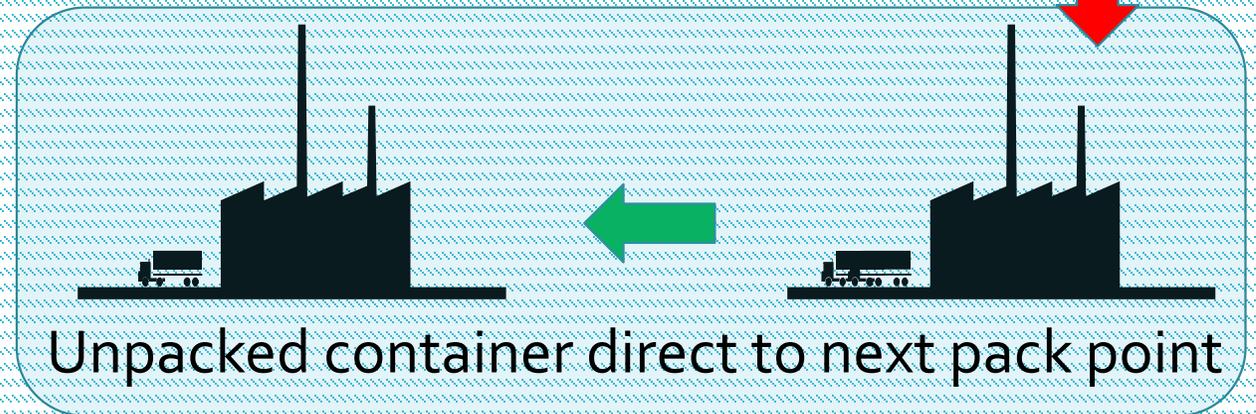
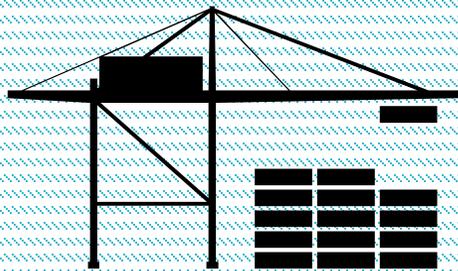
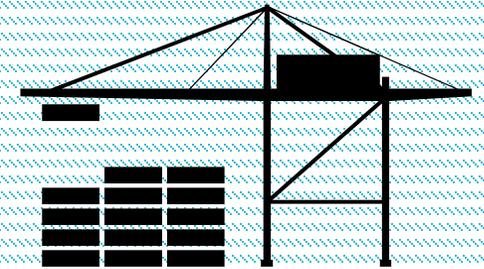
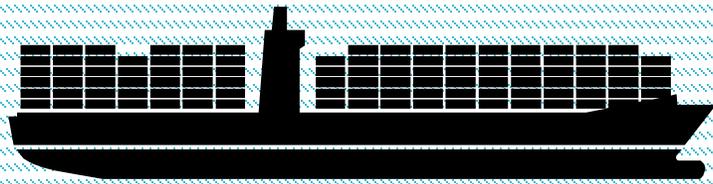
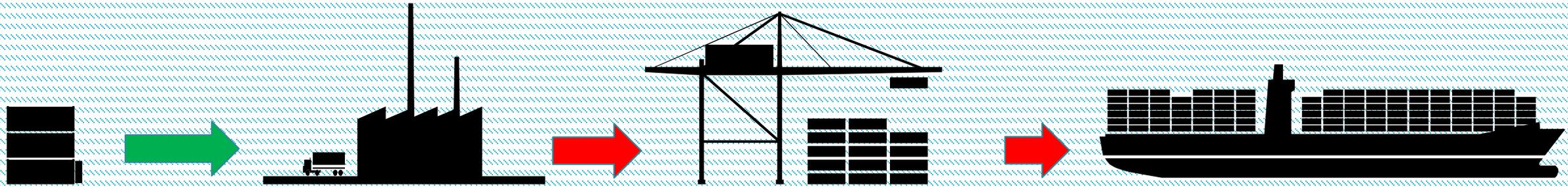
- "Hub & Spoke" concept



# Introduce Inland movements to the flow

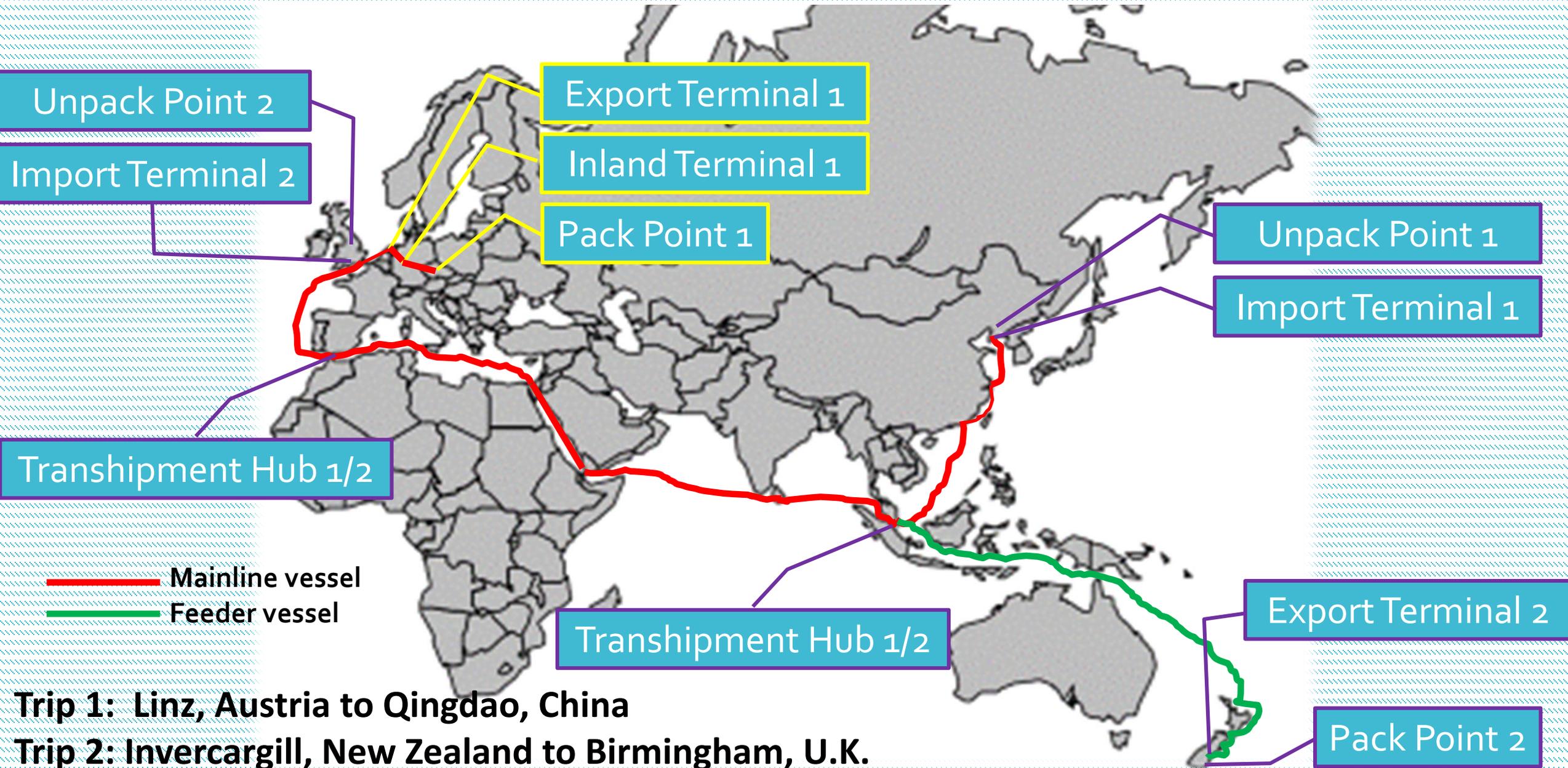


# Introduce triangulation to the flow - so-called "street turns"



Empty   
Full 

# What do real-life container trips look like?



# Where & when is a container inspected and what is included in the inspection?

Where	When	Inspection	Control
Repair Depot	Gate In	Structure (CSC), internal cleanliness, suitability for cargo	Depot/ Shipping Company
Repair Depot	Gate Out	Internal cleanliness, state of repair, overall condition	Depot/ Shipping Company
Pack point	Receipt for packing	Internal cleanliness, state of repair, overall condition	Shipper

# Container inspections - continued

Where	When	Inspection	Control
Export Terminal	Gate In	Container Number, seal number, obvious defects *	Terminal
Export Terminal	Load on vessel	Container number, obvious major defect *	Terminal
Transshipment Terminal	Unload/Load from/to vessel	Container number, obvious major defect *	Terminal
Import Terminal	Unload from vessel	Container number, obvious major defect *	Terminal

**\* Exception - Automated Gates and Terminals**

## Container inspections - continued (2)

Where	When	Inspection	Control
Import Terminal	Gate Out	Container number, seal number*	Terminal
Unpack location	Receipt for unpacking	Container Number, seal number, obvious defects	Consignee
Unpack location	Prior to return	Internal cleanliness (contractual obligation)	Consignee

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## Summary

- Container flows are complex
- Container flows involve multiple transport modes and border crossings
- Container flows involve multiple actors and control points
- Shipping companies only have direct control at repair depots
- The only opportunity for full inspection and cleaning is at repair depots

## Summary – continued

- Not all containers pass through a repair depot every trip
- The most likely points for contamination are pack points
- The CTU code is directed at the shipper and packer (pack points)
- Shipping companies have no control over pack points or terminal operations

Thank you for your attention

Any questions?

