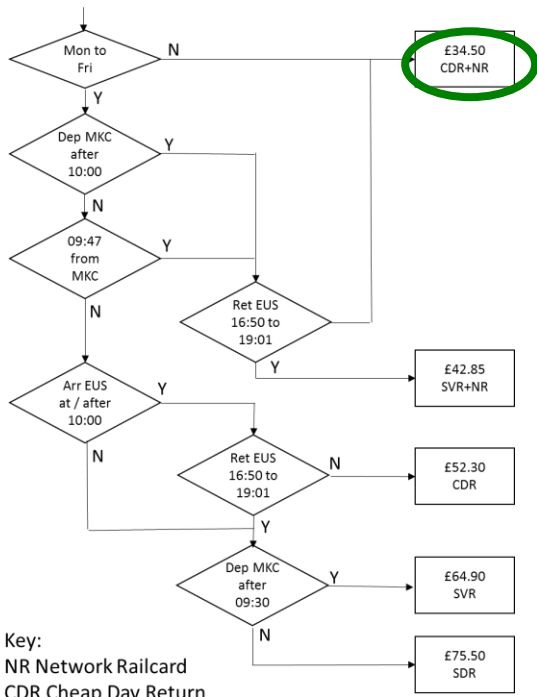


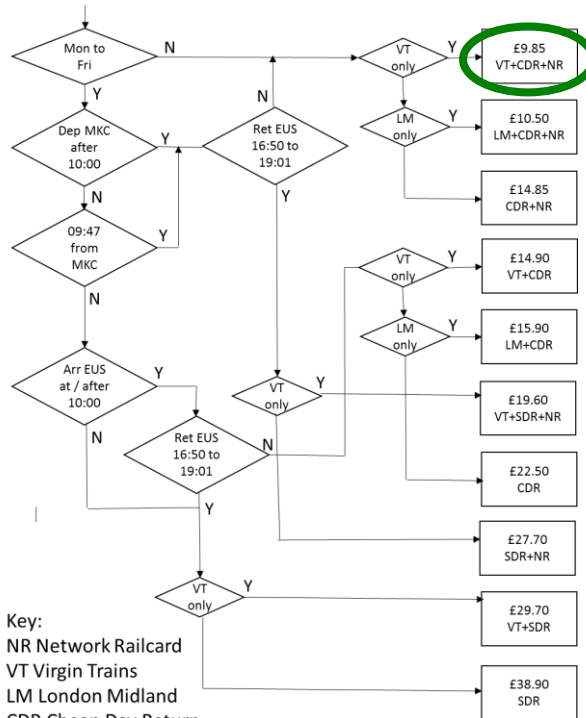
Play the rail fares game. A simple question; **how much does it cost for a return from Milton Keynes to Cambridge** with a Network Railcard? Operators also have their own fares to and from London so it's worth checking whether separate tickets for the journey either side of London will help. The answer is complex, captured in 3 charts below (one for the through journey, and one for each side of London), a series of questions leading you through to a fare. **The potential savings are large** with the majority of split tickets being cheaper than the one you would be sold in a ticket office for the through journey, **the cheapest being £34.50 for the through ticket and £9.85+£10.90 for the split tickets, a saving of 40%.** The ticketing system is overly complex with a selection of inconsistent interacting time, operator and railcard specific rules and fare levels. **Fares simplification is needed so passengers can be confident they have been charged a fair price for their journey.** The current system is the result of a fare setting being fragmented across the operators.

Milton Keynes (MKC) to Cambridge(CBG)



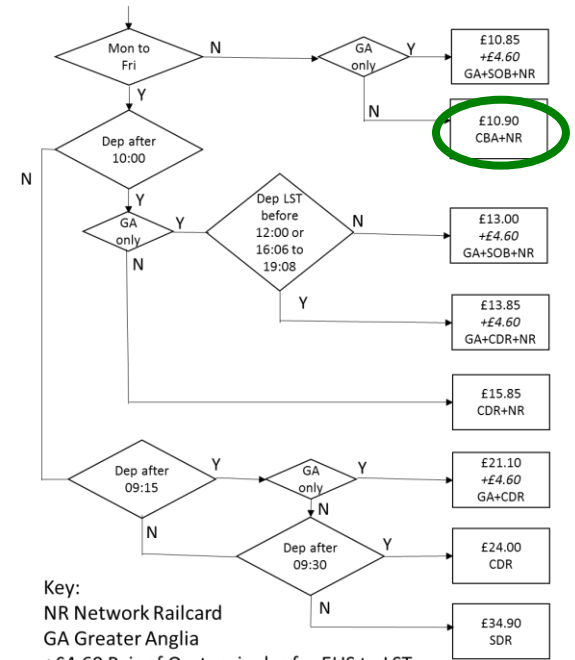
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 NR Network Railcard
 CDR Cheap Day Return
 SVR Off-Peak Return
 SDR Anytime Day Return

Milton Keynes (MKC) to London Euston (EUS)



Key:
 NR Network Railcard
 VT Virgin Trains
 LM London Midland
 CDR Cheap Day Return
 SDR Anytime Day Return

London King's Cross (KGX) or Liverpool Street (LST) to Cambridge(CBG)



Key:
 NR Network Railcard
 GA Greater Anglia
 +£4.60 Pair of Oyster singles for EUS to LST
 SOB/CBA Super Off-Peak Day Return
 CDR Cheap Day Return
 SDR Anytime Day Return

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