

# 2015 FRA Rail Program Delivery



## NEC Future – Approach to Service Planning

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# Alternatives Development Process

**INITIAL ALTERNATIVES**



**PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVES**



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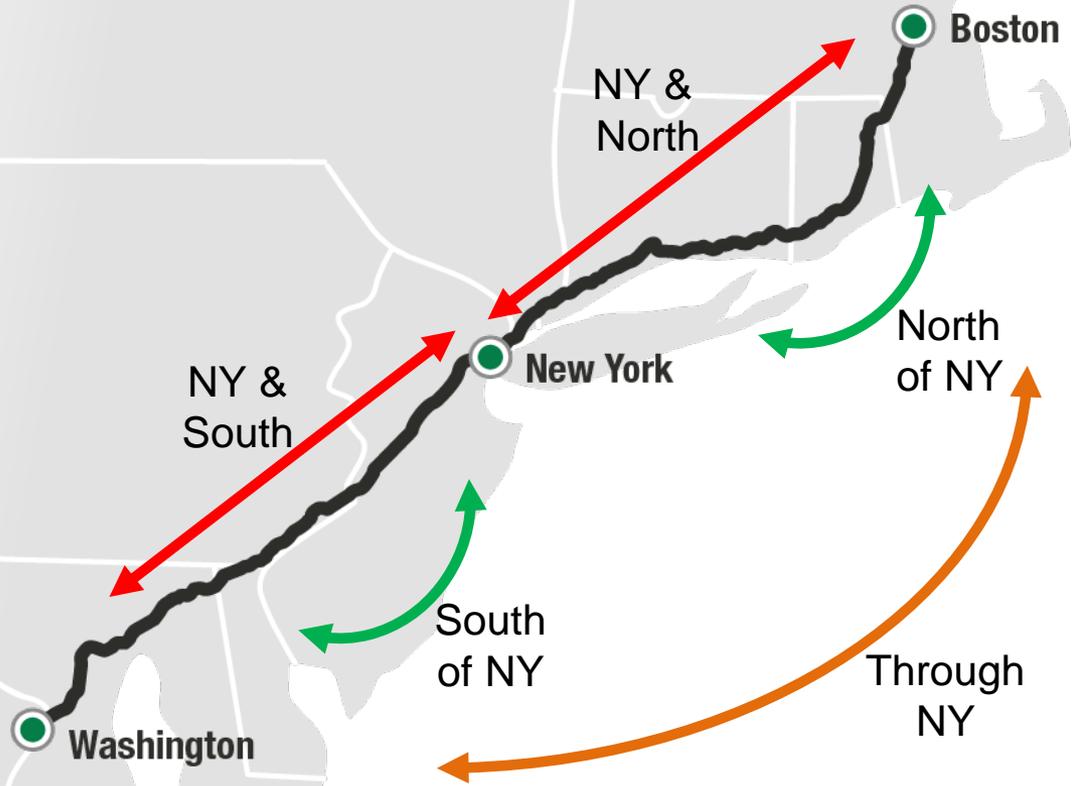
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# Market Analysis

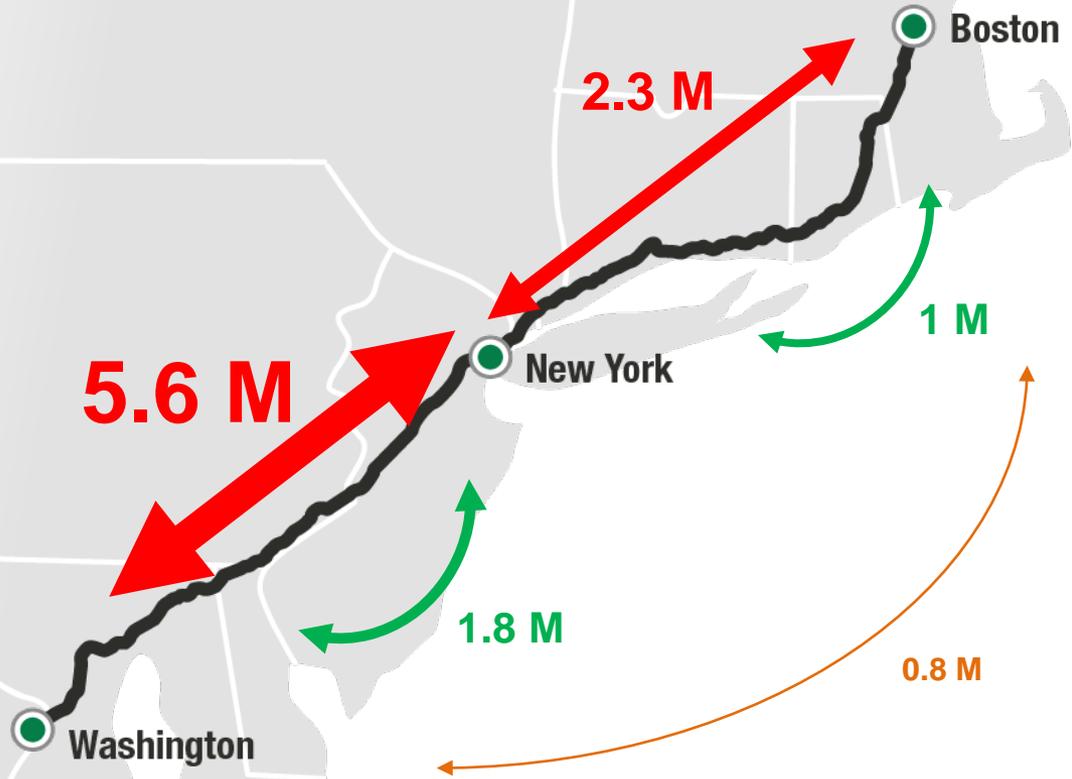
# Market Analysis

Five Market Clusters on the NEC



# Market Analysis

Existing Ridership in Market Clusters

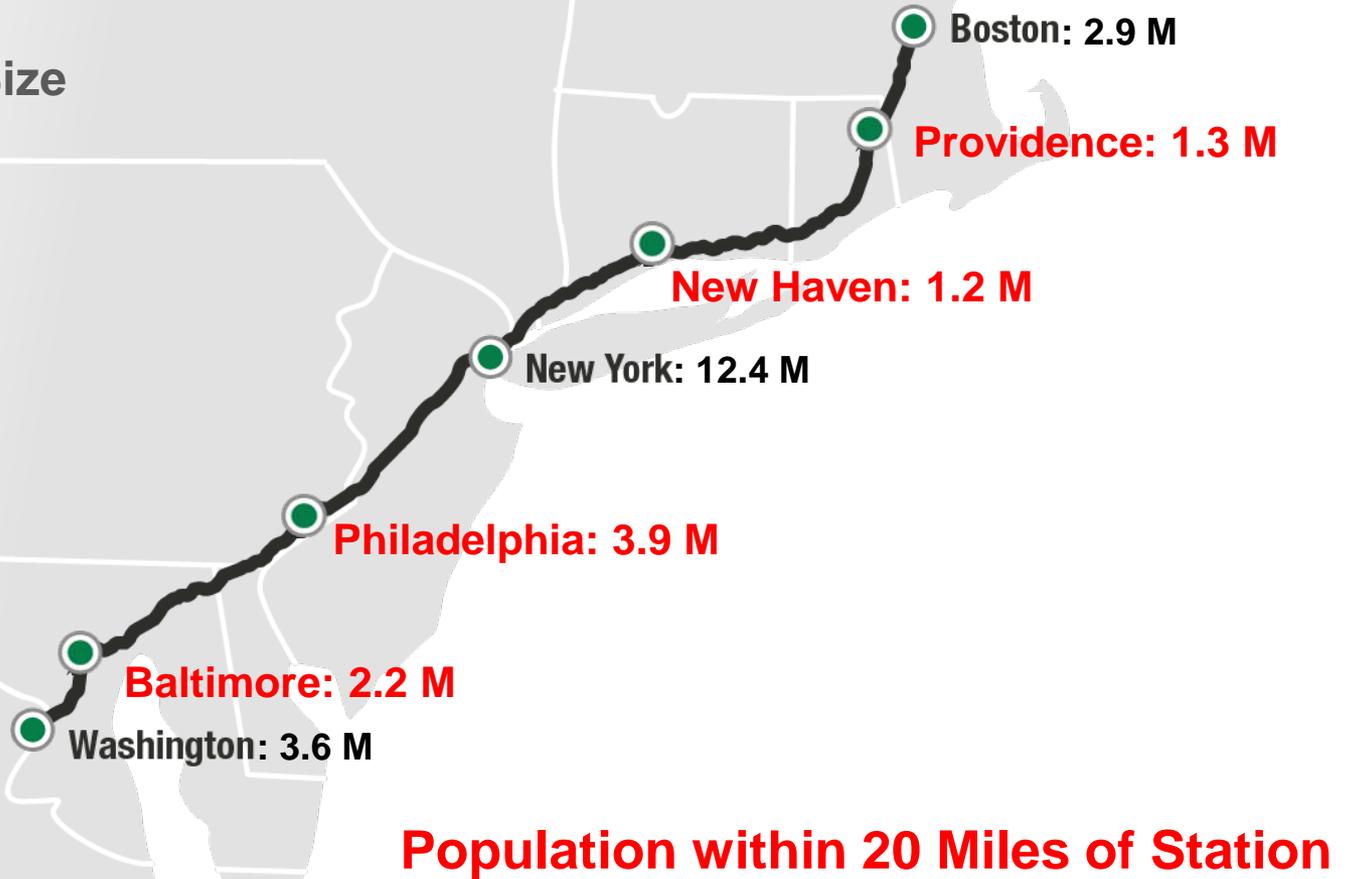


South of New York - 70%    30% - North of NY

# Market Analysis

Existing Conditions:

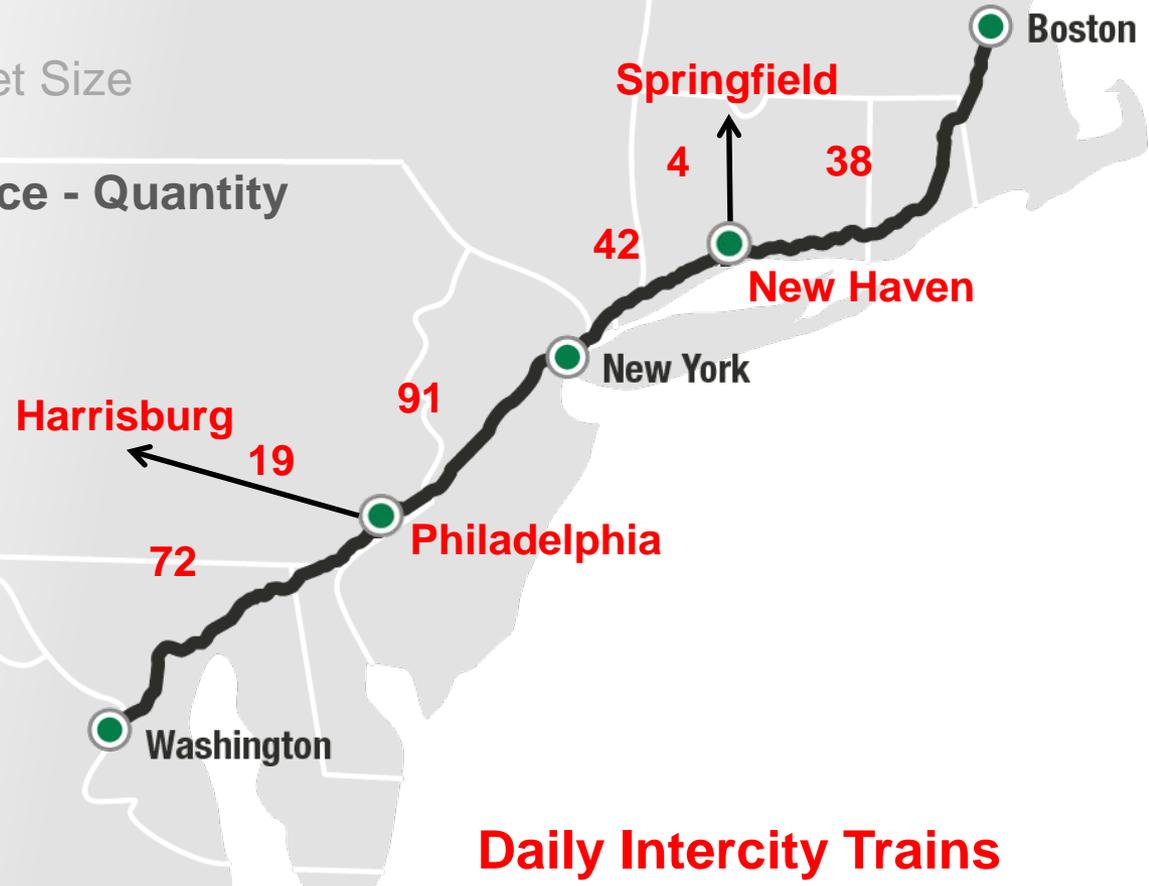
## 1) Market Size



# Market Analysis

Existing Conditions:

- 1) Market Size
- 2) Service - Quantity



\* Train count includes Acela Express, Northeast Regional, Keystone, Vermonter, and Pennsylvanian. Long distance trains excluded from count.

# Market Analysis

Existing Conditions:

- 1) Market Size
- 2) Service – Quantity
- 3) **Service – Trip Time**



## New York - Boston

Distance: 231 Miles  
Trip Time: 3:30  
Avg Speed: 66 MPH

## New York – Washington

Distance: 226 Miles  
Trip Time: 2:45  
Avg Speed: 82 MPH

# Market Analysis

## Alternatives Development:

- 1) Markets
- 2) Service – Quantity
- 3) Service – Quality



## Market Opportunities:

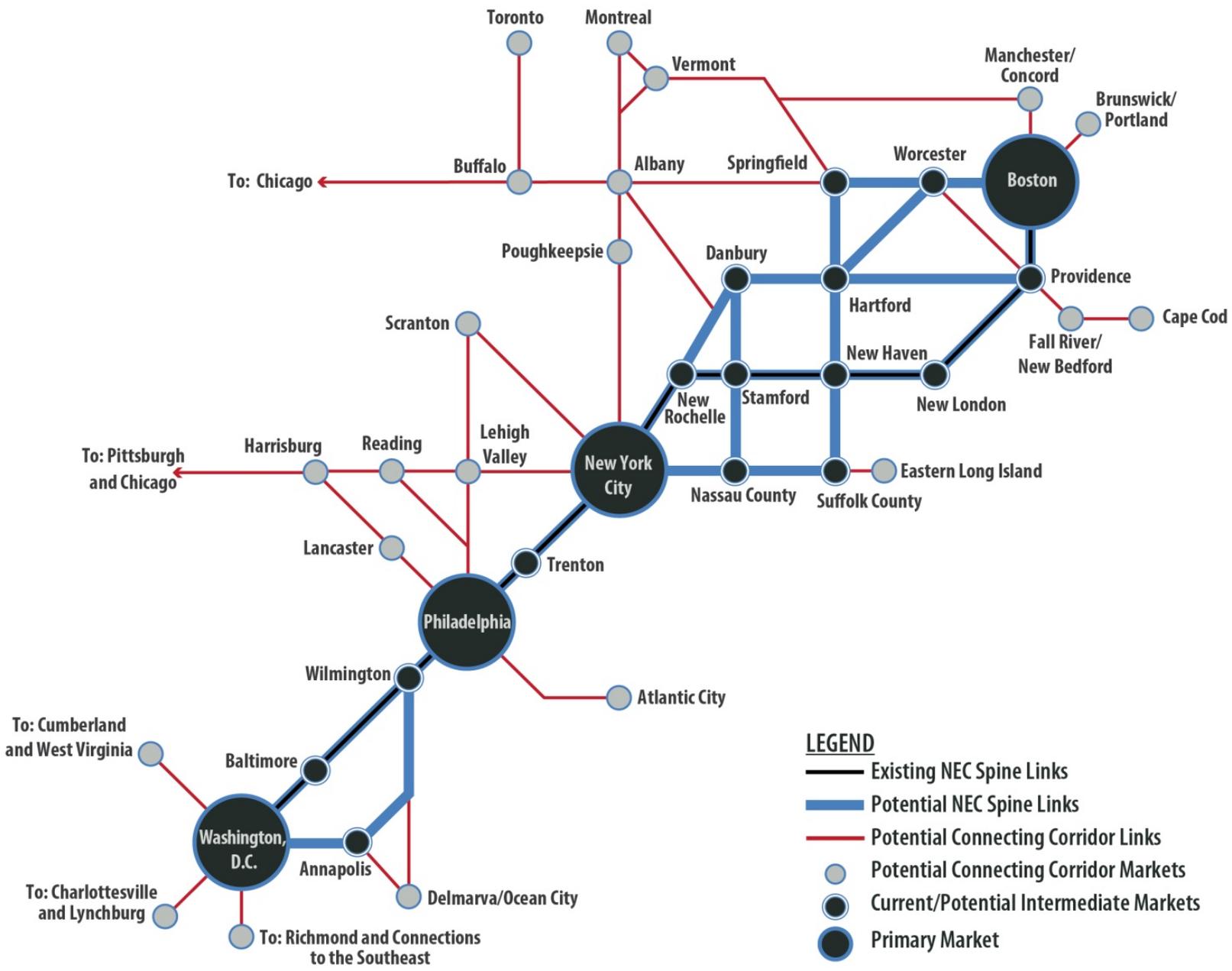
What markets are underserved today?

What potential markets are not served at all?

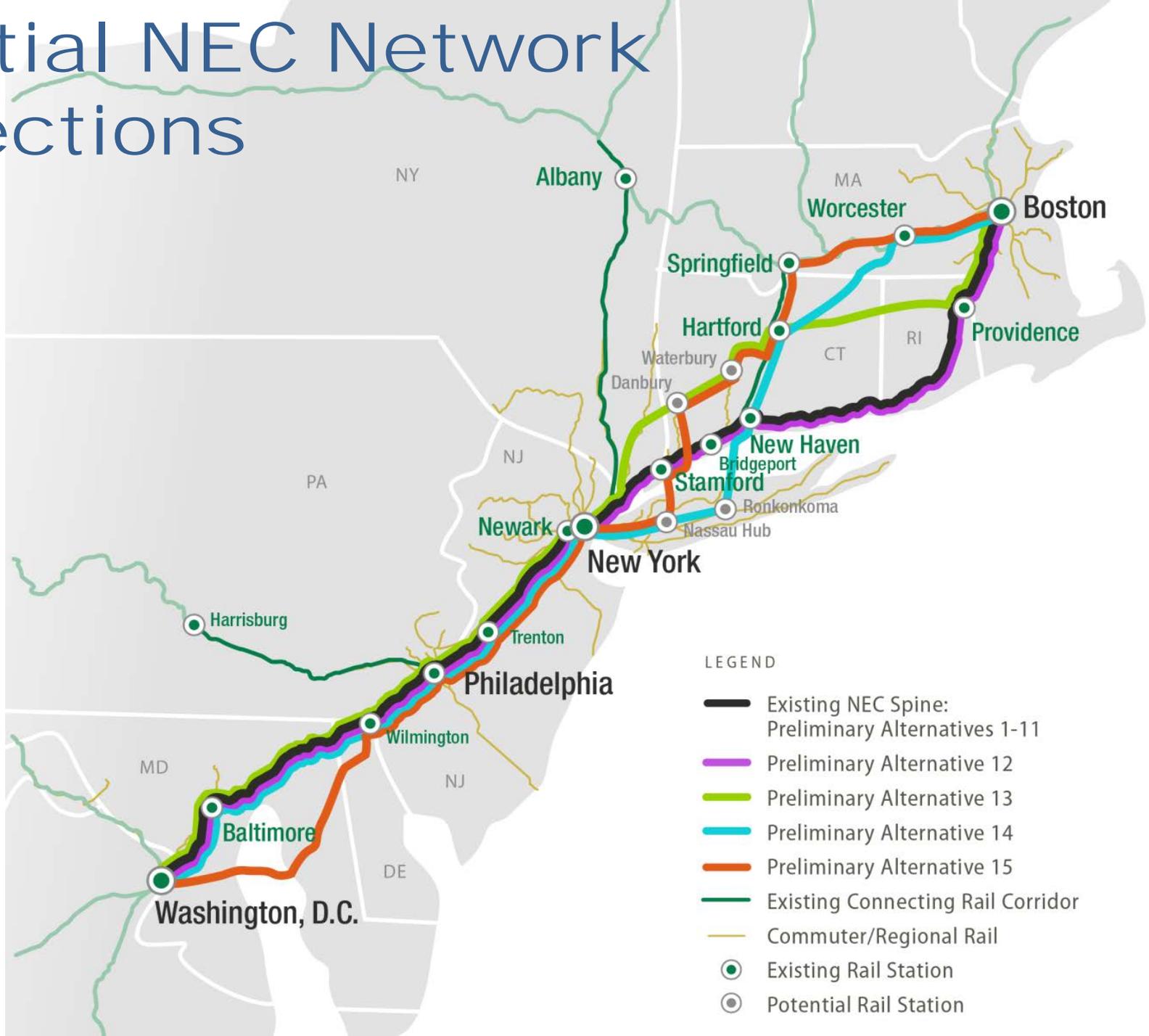
What type of service is appropriate for each market?

# Potential NEC Network

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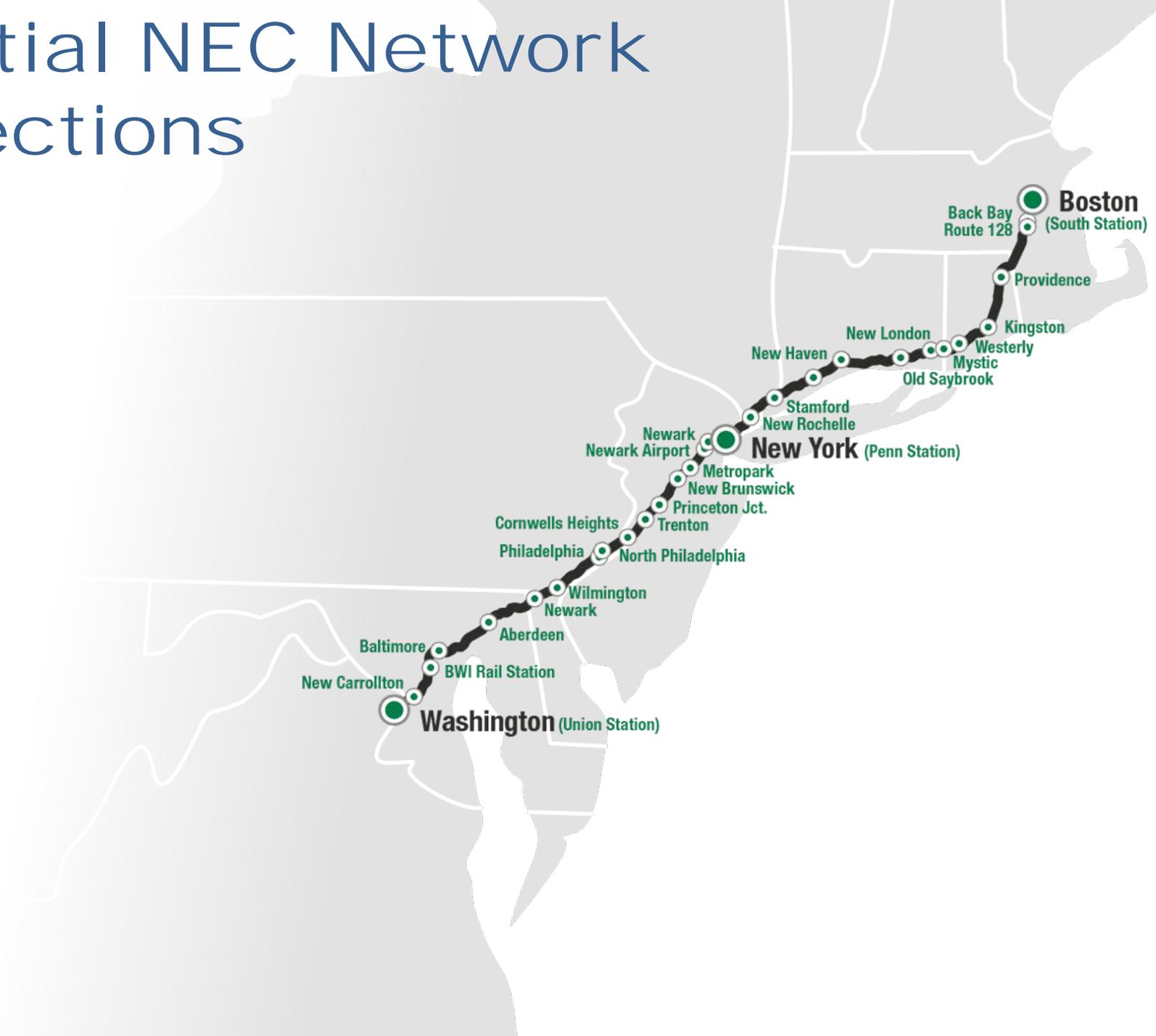
# Potential NEC Network Connections



### LEGEND

- Existing NEC Spine: Preliminary Alternatives 1-11
- Preliminary Alternative 12
- Preliminary Alternative 13
- Preliminary Alternative 14
- Preliminary Alternative 15
- Existing Connecting Rail Corridor
- Commuter/Regional Rail
- Existing Rail Station
- Potential Rail Station

# Potential NEC Network Connections



# Concepts Tested

- ***Metropolitan Service***
- Run-Through Service at Major Stations/Terminals
- Coordinated Endpoint Connections
- Commuter Express Service using new high-speed tracks
- Investment in Station and Rail Infrastructure to Enable High-Quality Passenger Transfers
- Simplified Operations –
  - Fewer stopping patterns
  - Fewer network branches
  - Timed transfers for branch line passengers at main line hub stations
  - Higher service frequencies for spine services
- ***Slot Catalogue***
- ***Pulse Hub Operations***

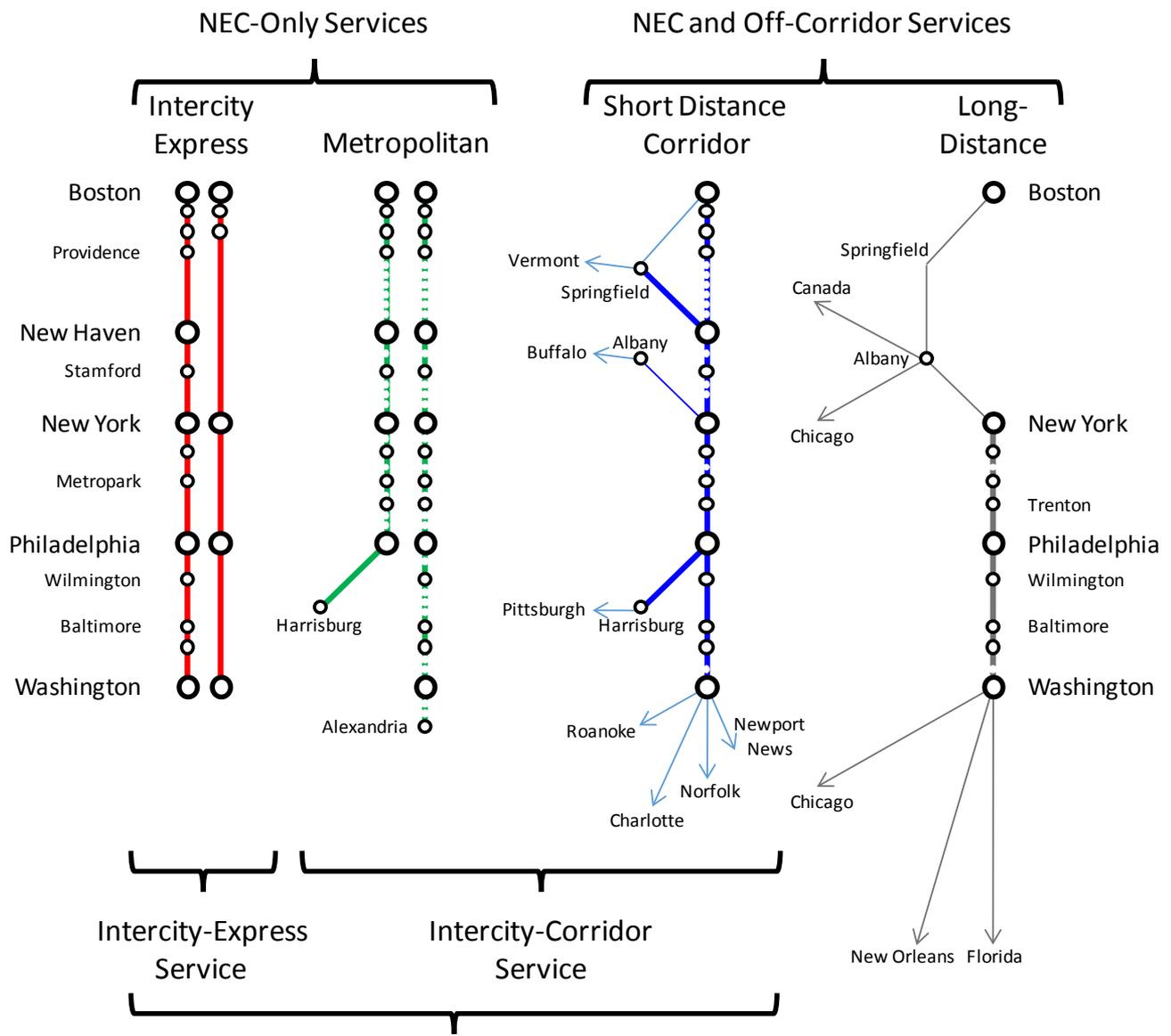
# Service Specifications Development

# Service Planning Approach

## Purpose and Level of Detail

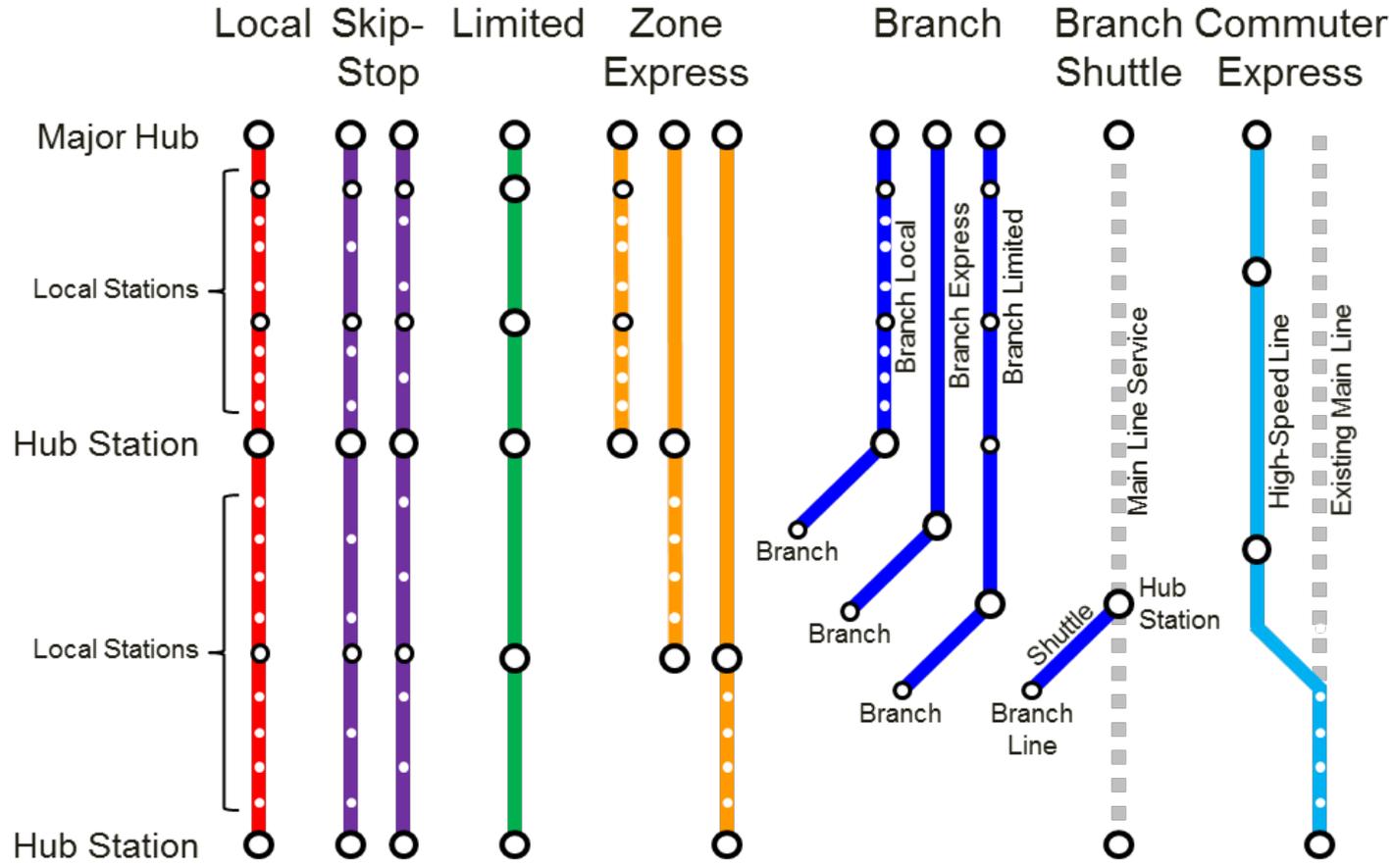
- Input Data – Network and Rolling Stock
- Service Specifications
- Pattern Analysis and Conflict Resolution
- Output Data, Interpretation and Analysis

# Service Types - Intercity

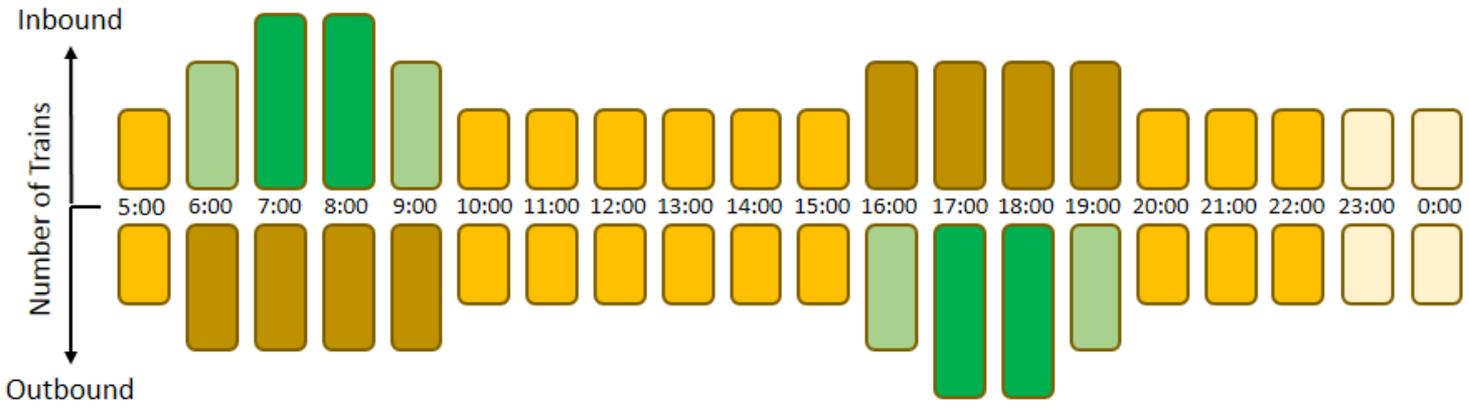


Service Categories for Purposes of Ridership Estimation

# Service Types - Regional



# Service Specification



# Pattern Analysis and Conflict Resolution

- Clockface schedules, repeating intervals
- Priorities for resolving overtakes and coordinating timed transfers
  1. Express and Metropolitan
  2. Intercity Off-Corridor
  3. Regional Rail
- Track usage by service types
  - › Express, Intermediate, Local
- Standard peak hour basis for resolving train movement conflicts

# Slot Catalogue

# Slot Catalogue – Express Tracks

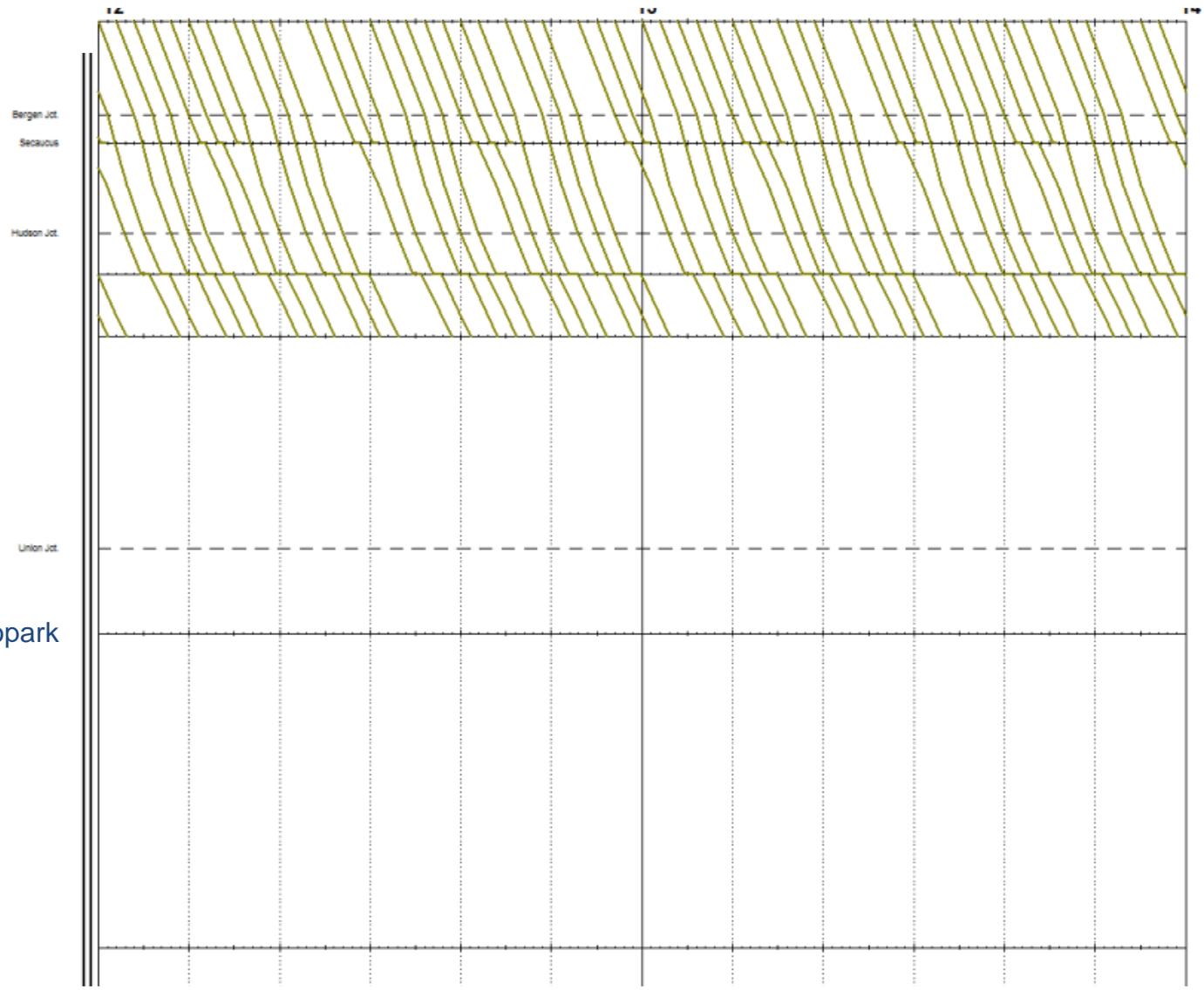
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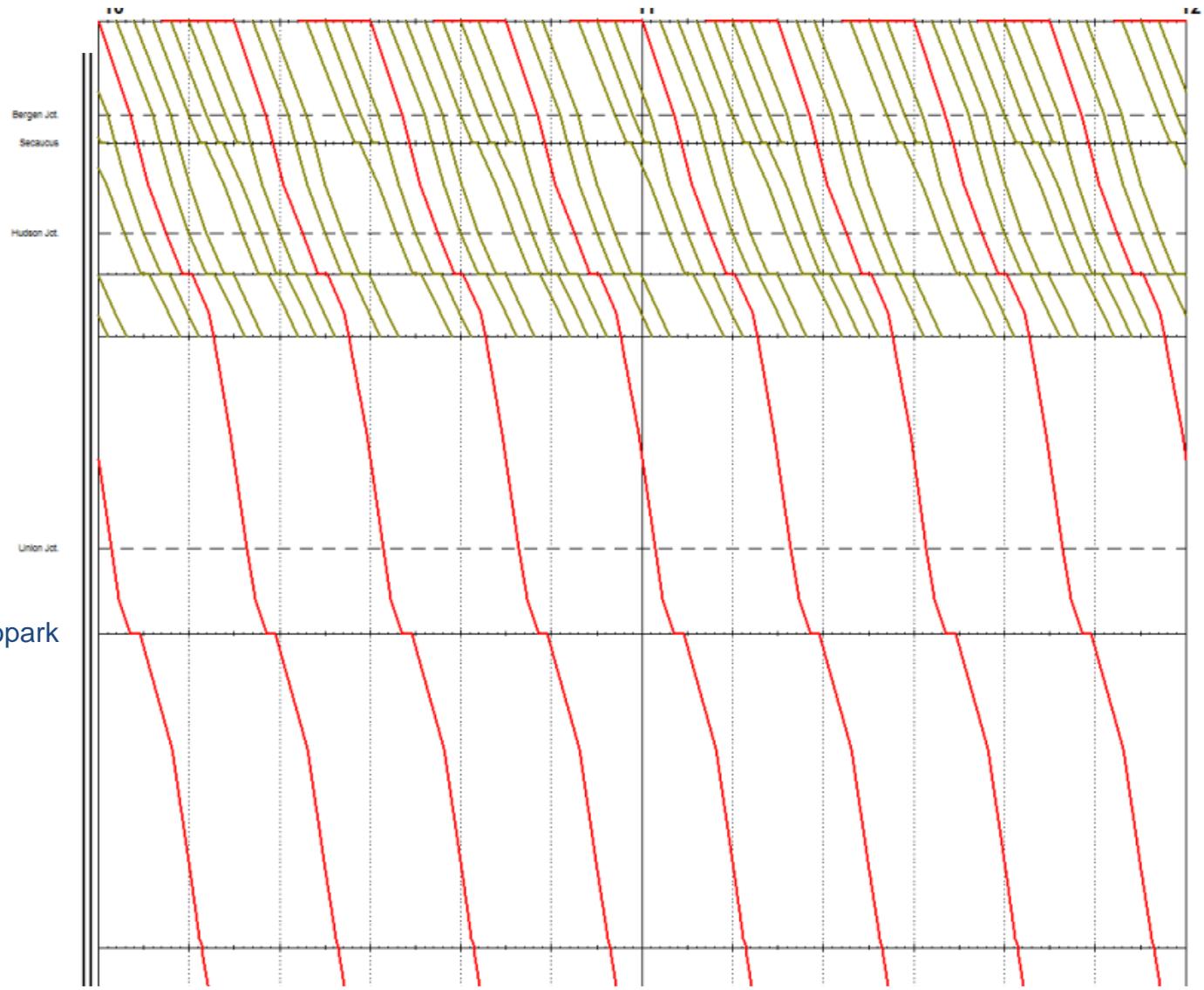
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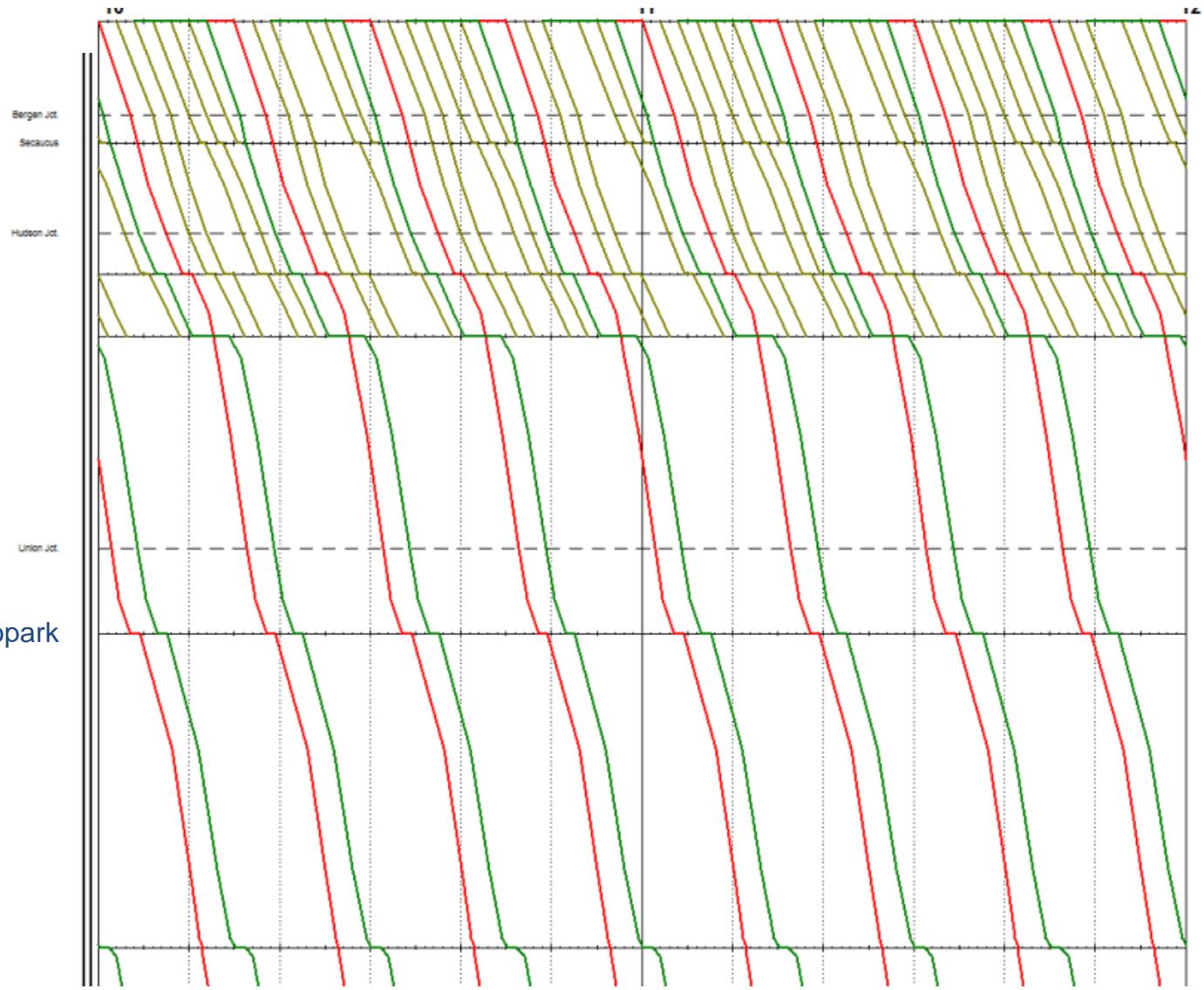
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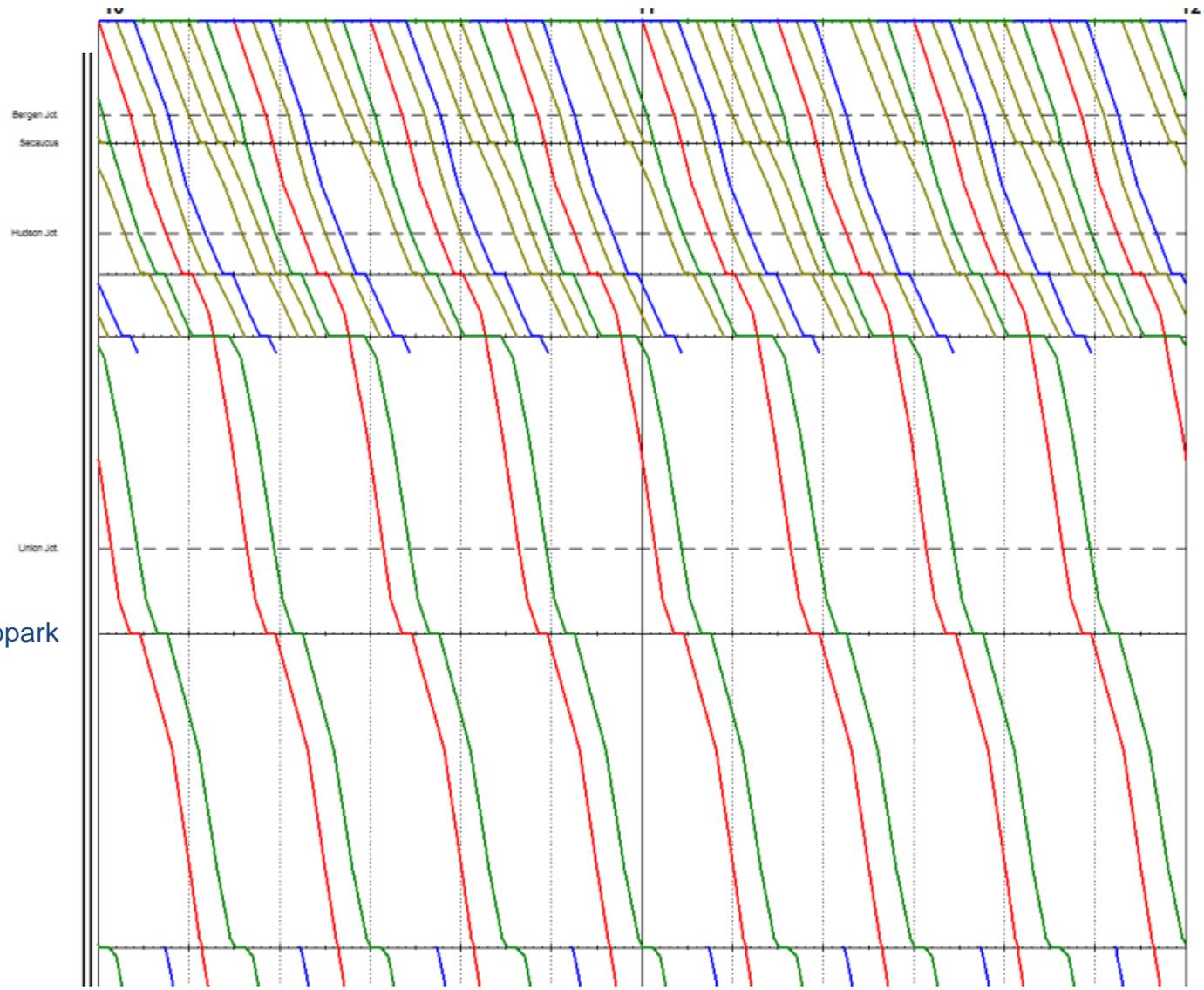
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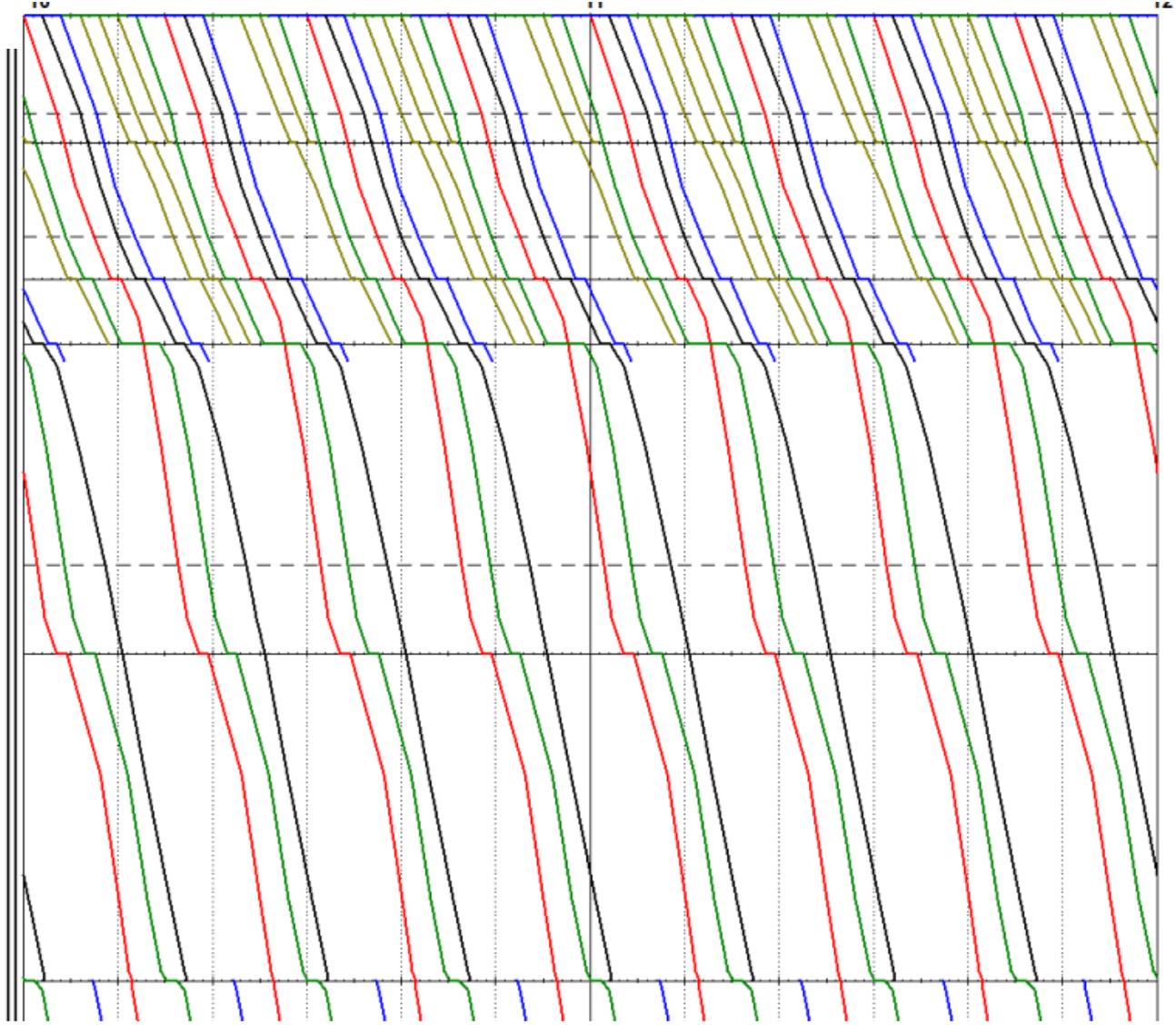
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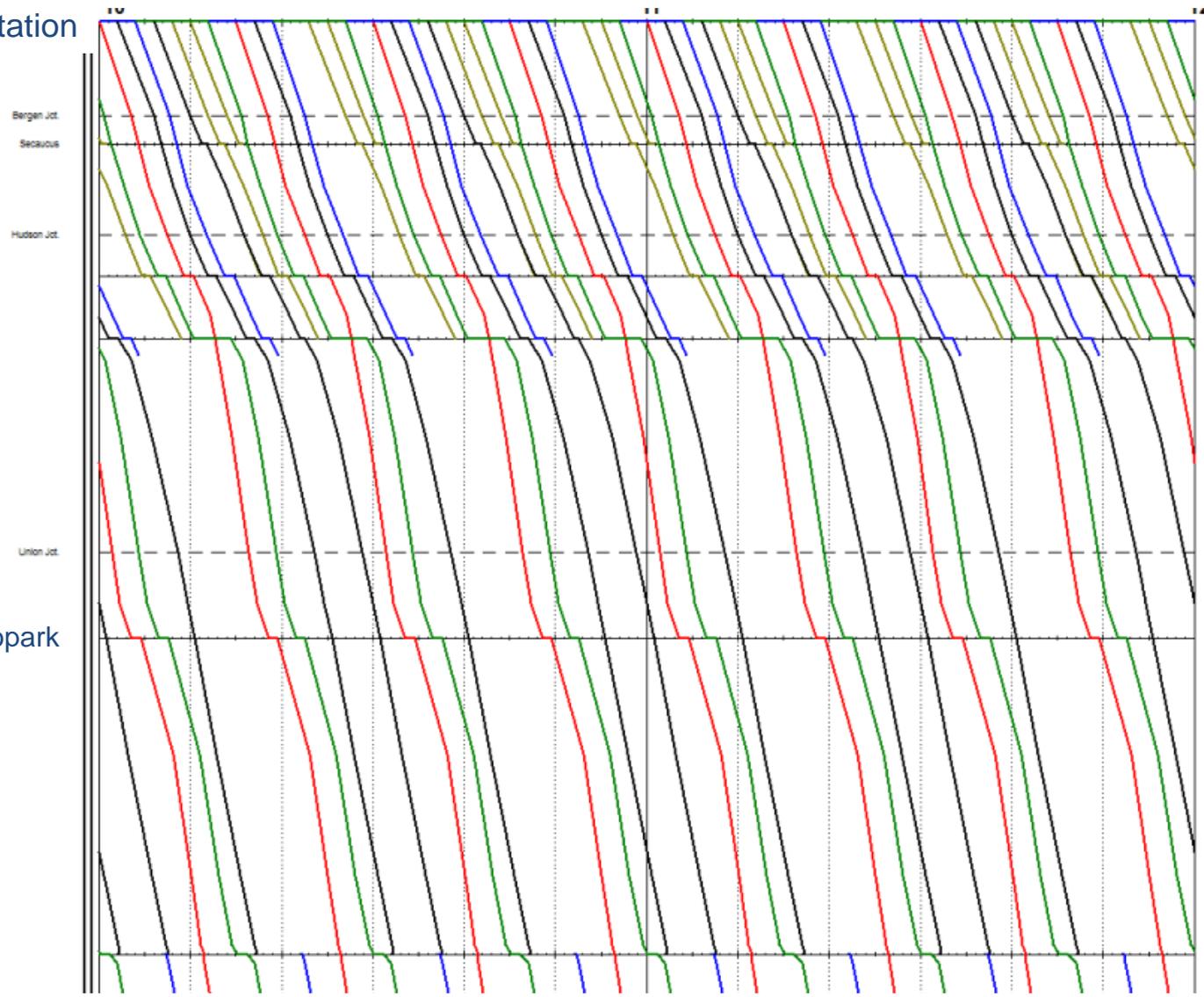
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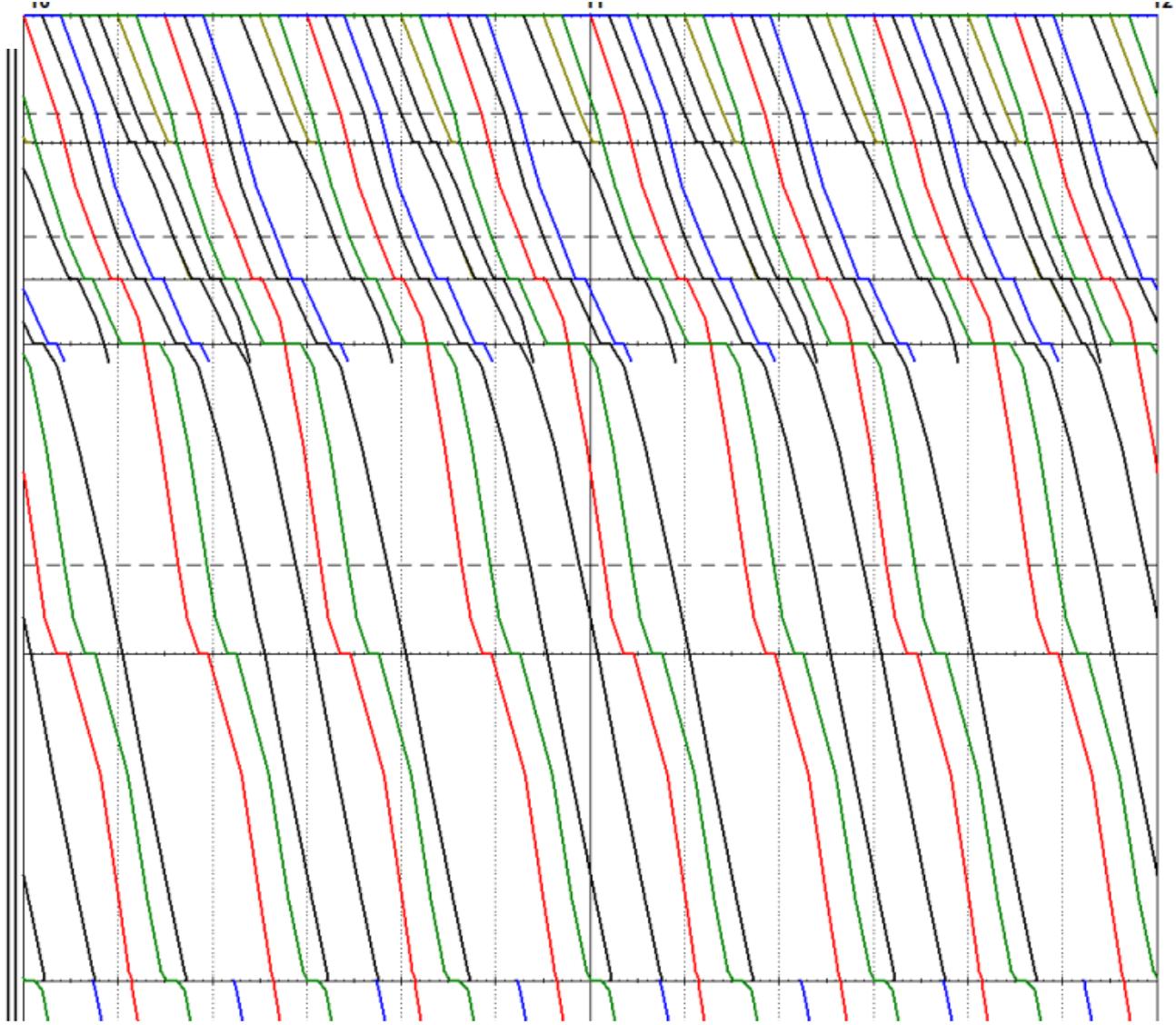
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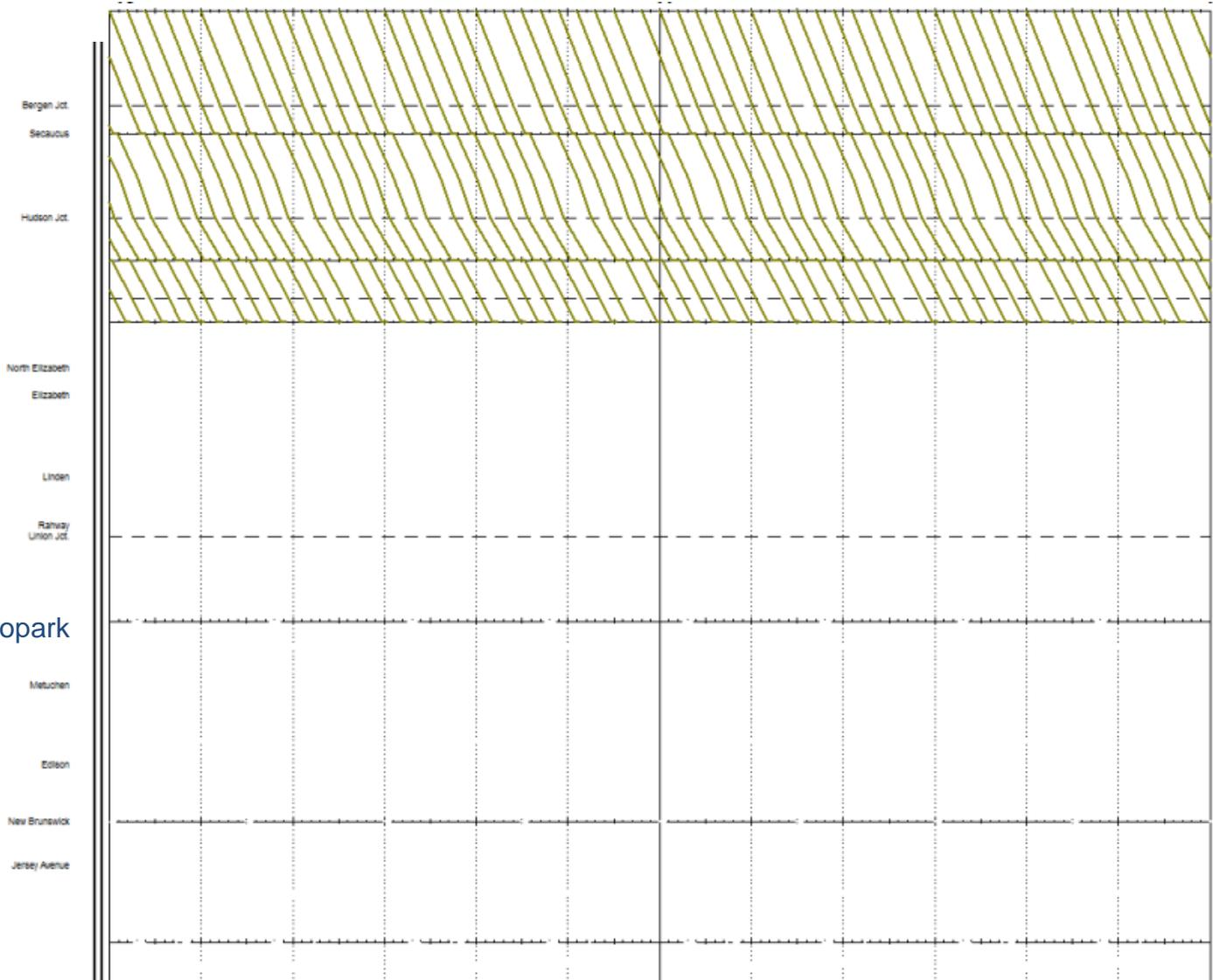
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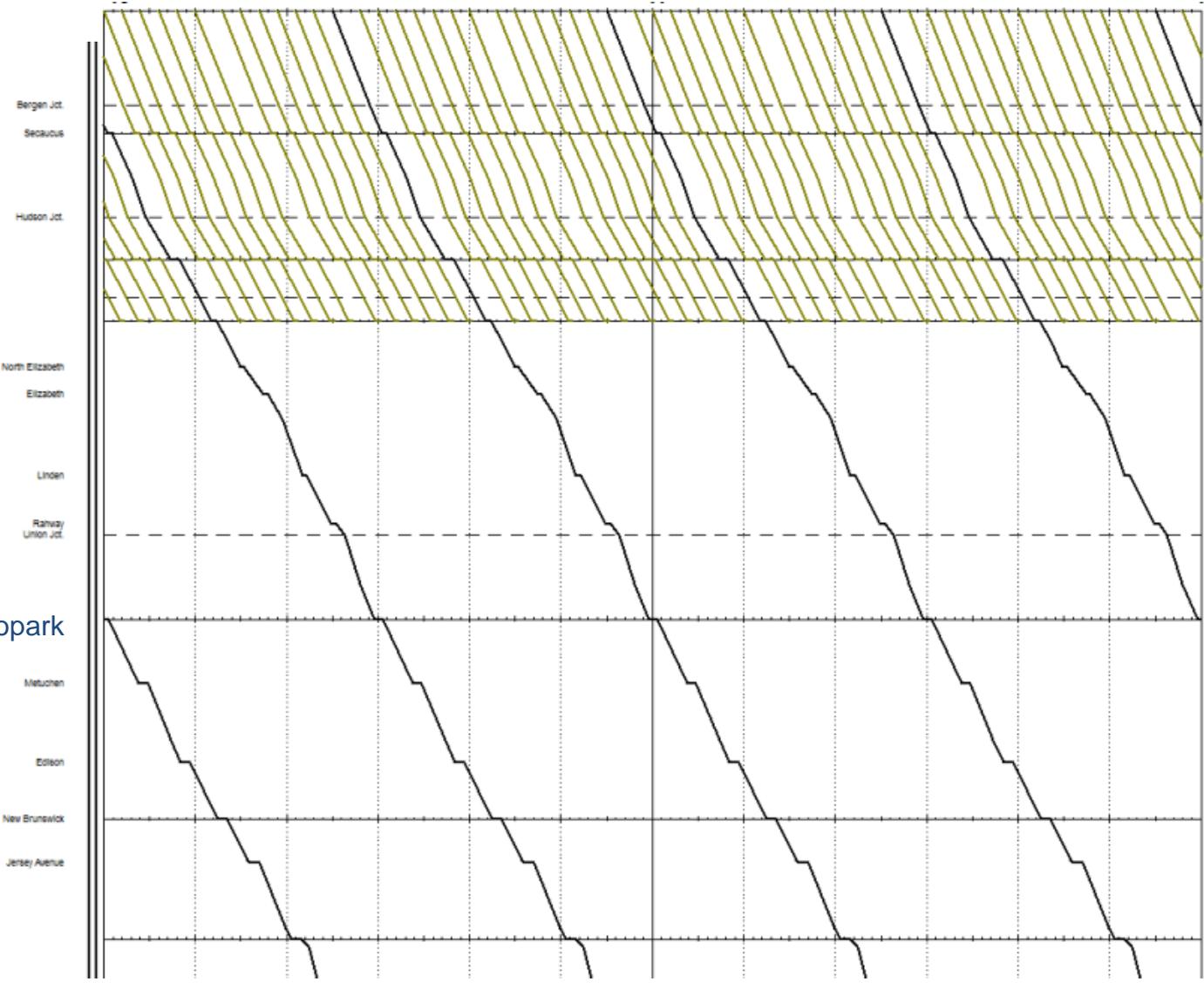
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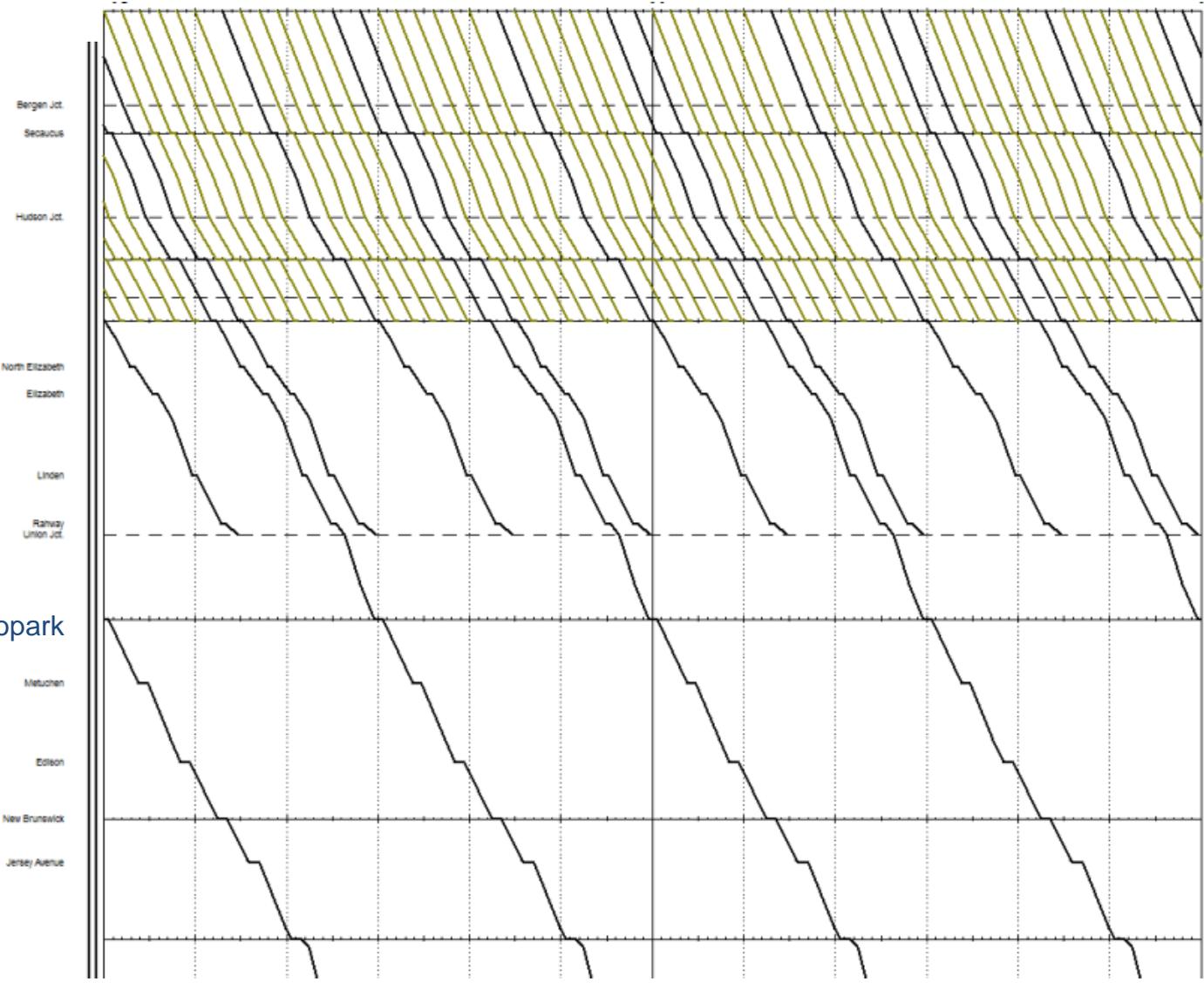
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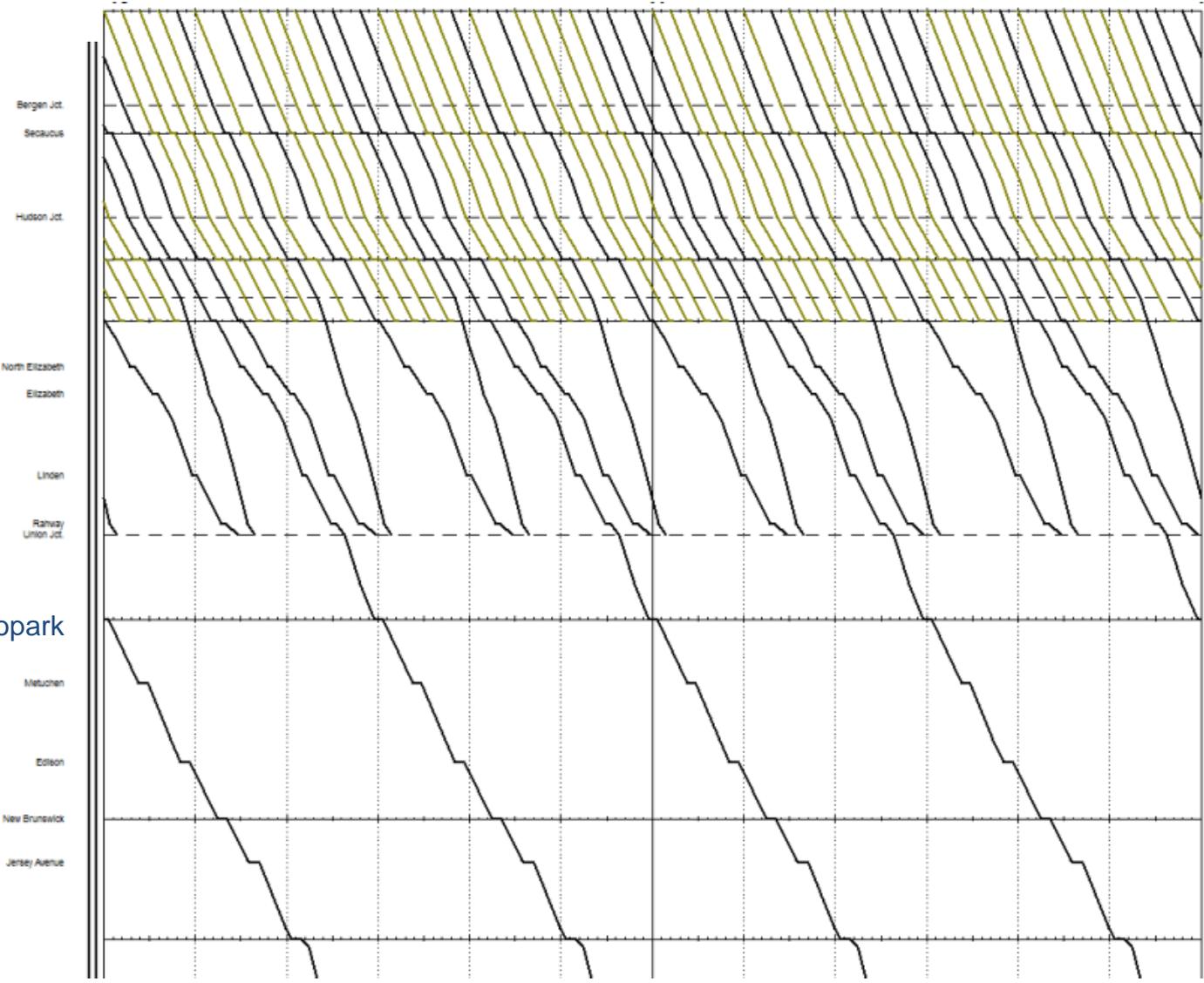
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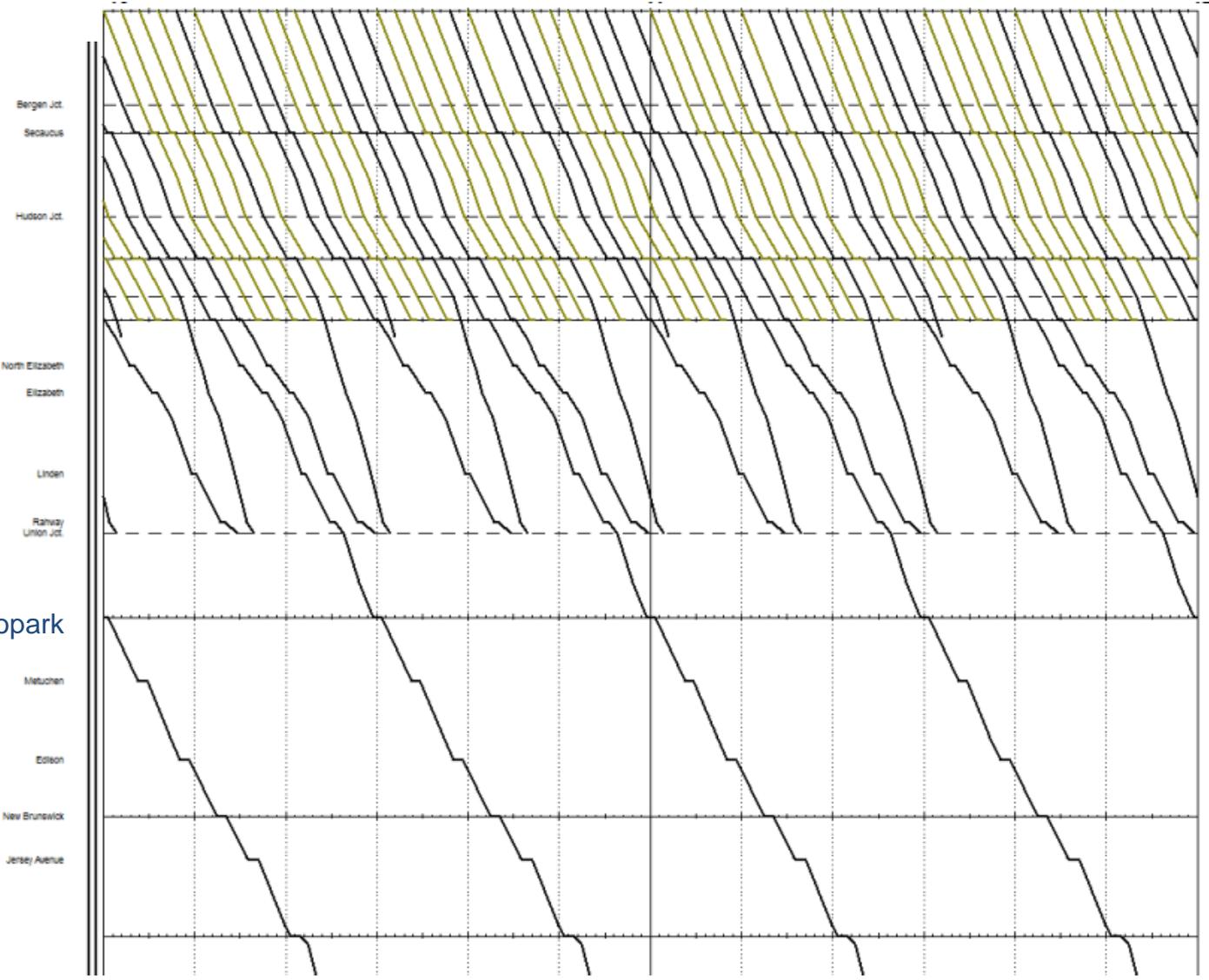
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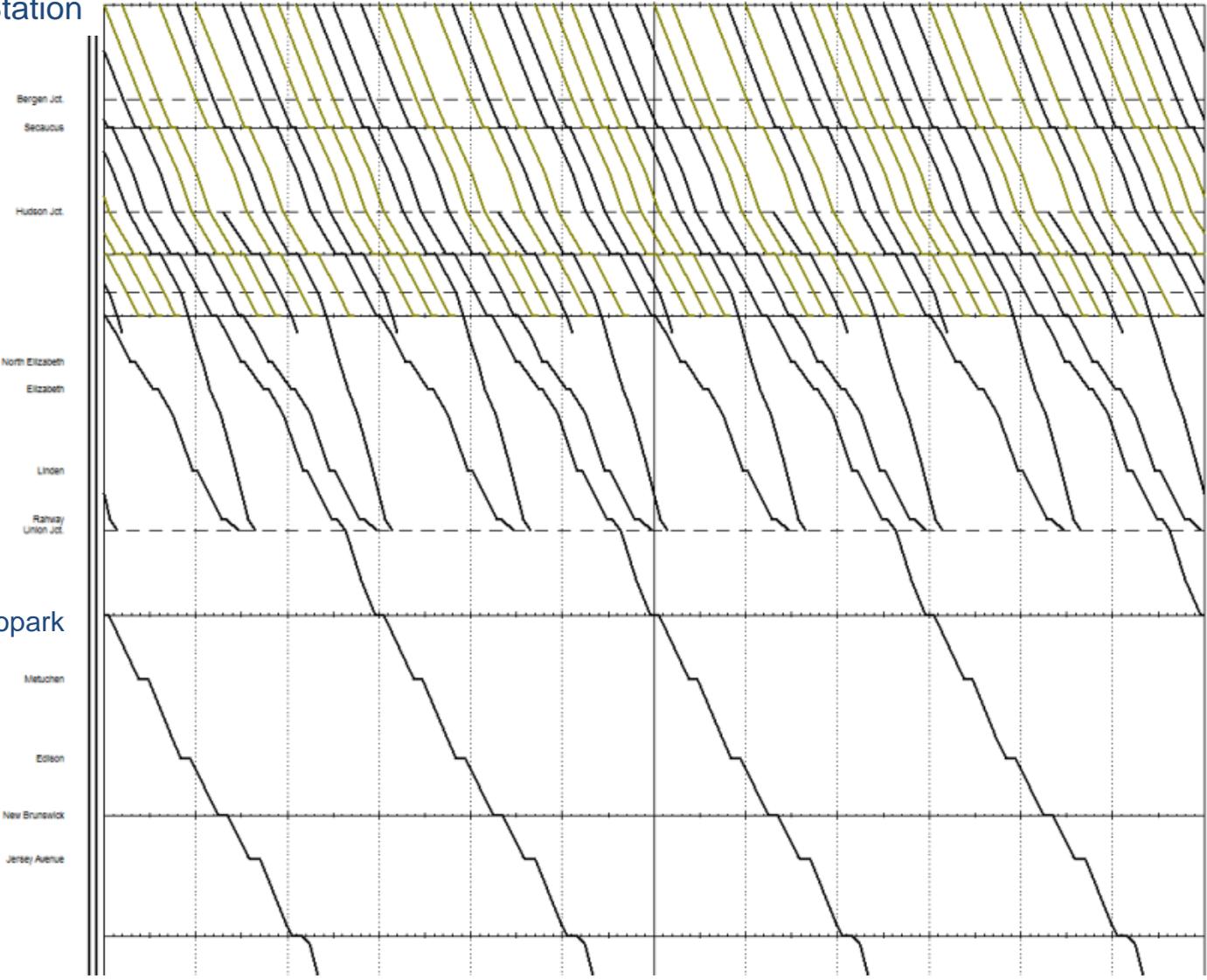
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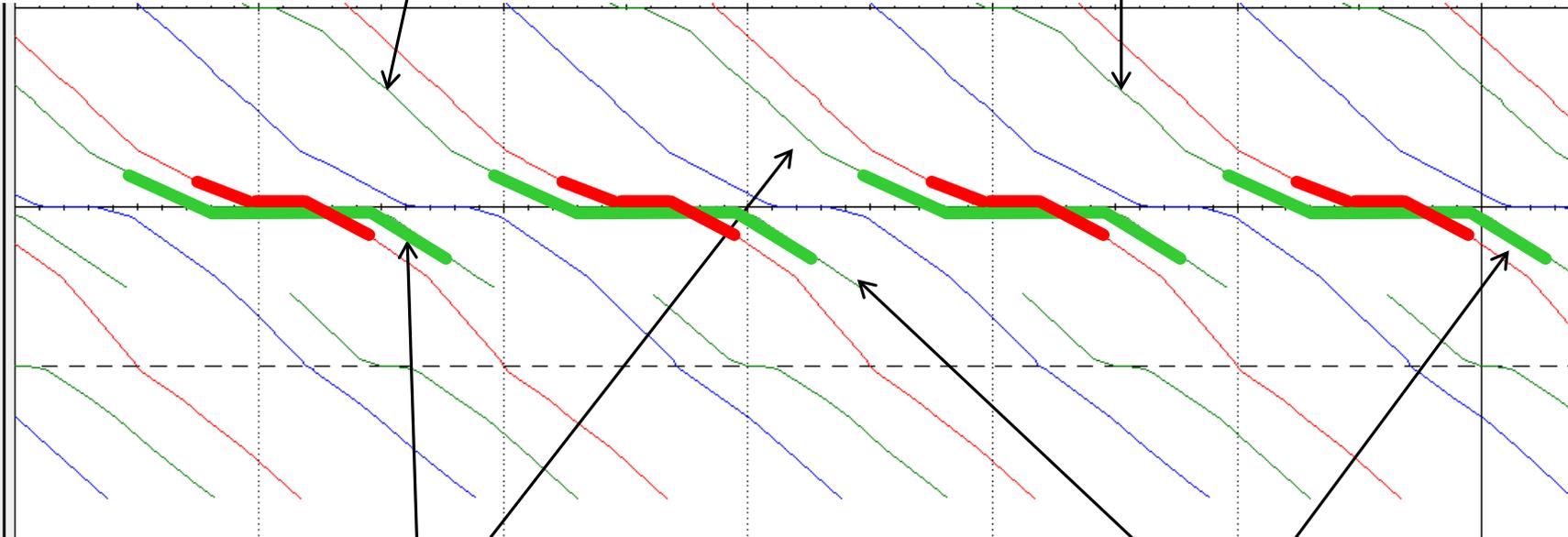
Pulse Hub

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**Springfield** - Once/ hour. Can either operate as a through train to Washington or a Keystone train to Harrisburg

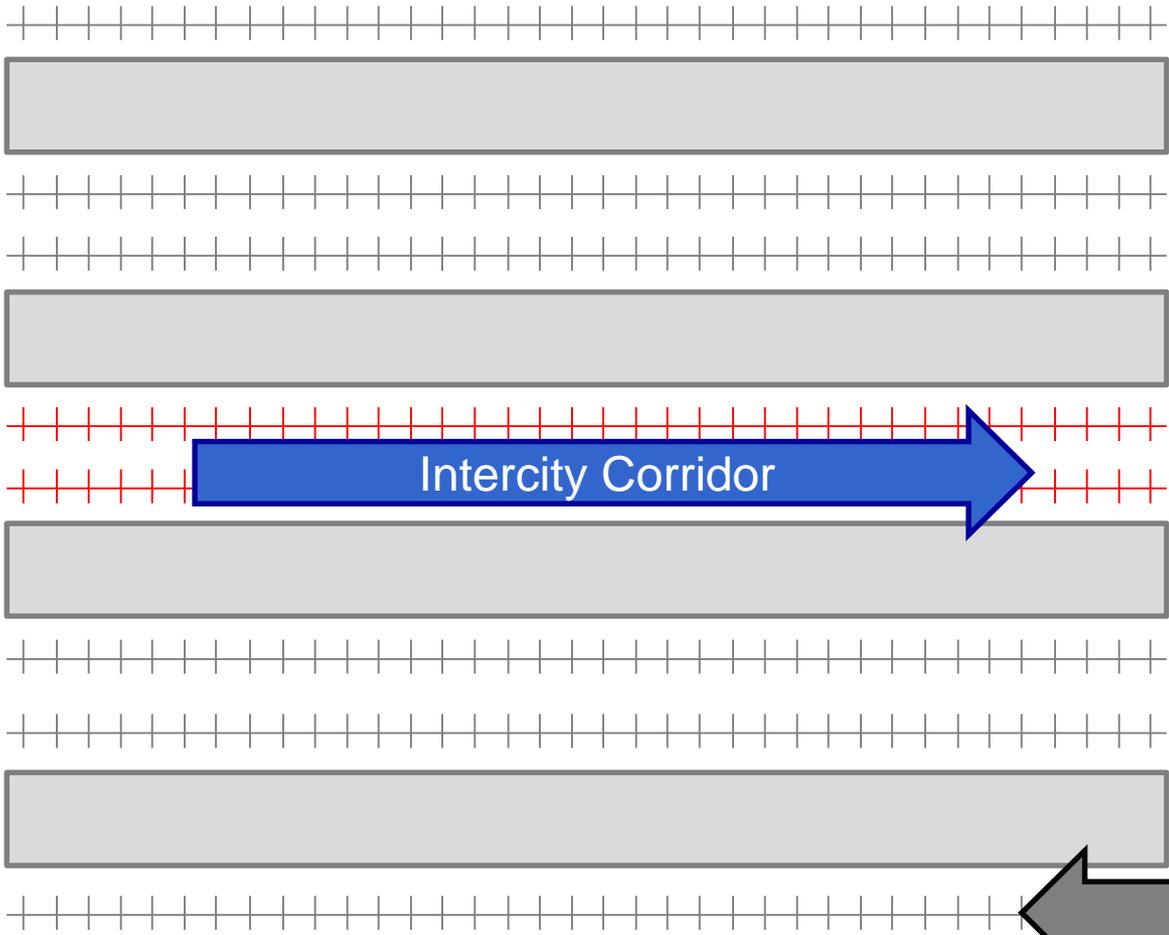
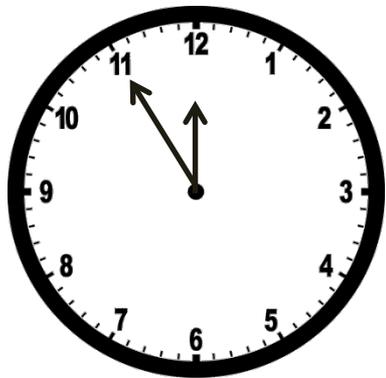
Cornwells Heights  
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**BOS-WAS** - Through Met Train Twice / hour

**PHL-WAS Train** – Twice per hour. Can be planned as through service with Shoreline or Springfield trains, Southbound Keystone Service or a Philadelphia start

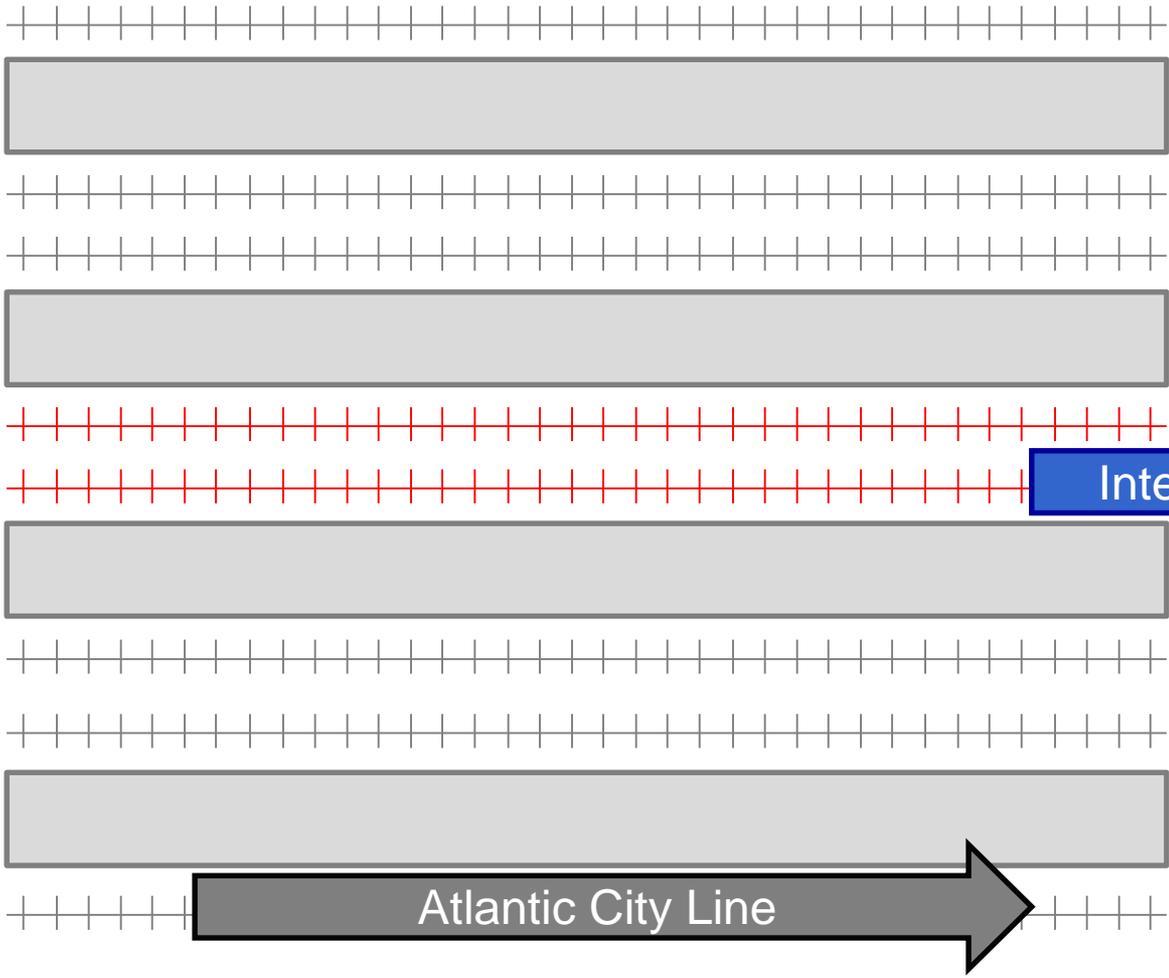
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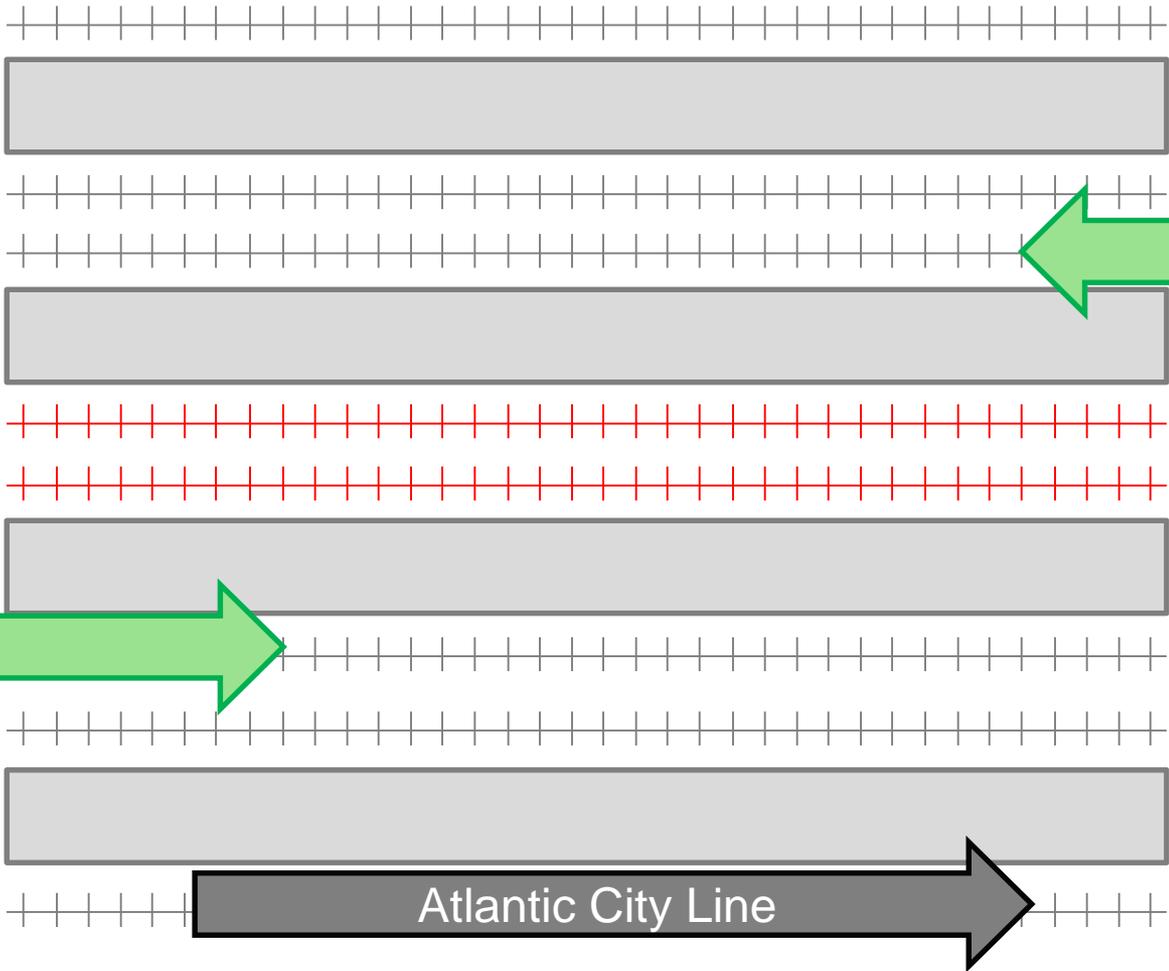
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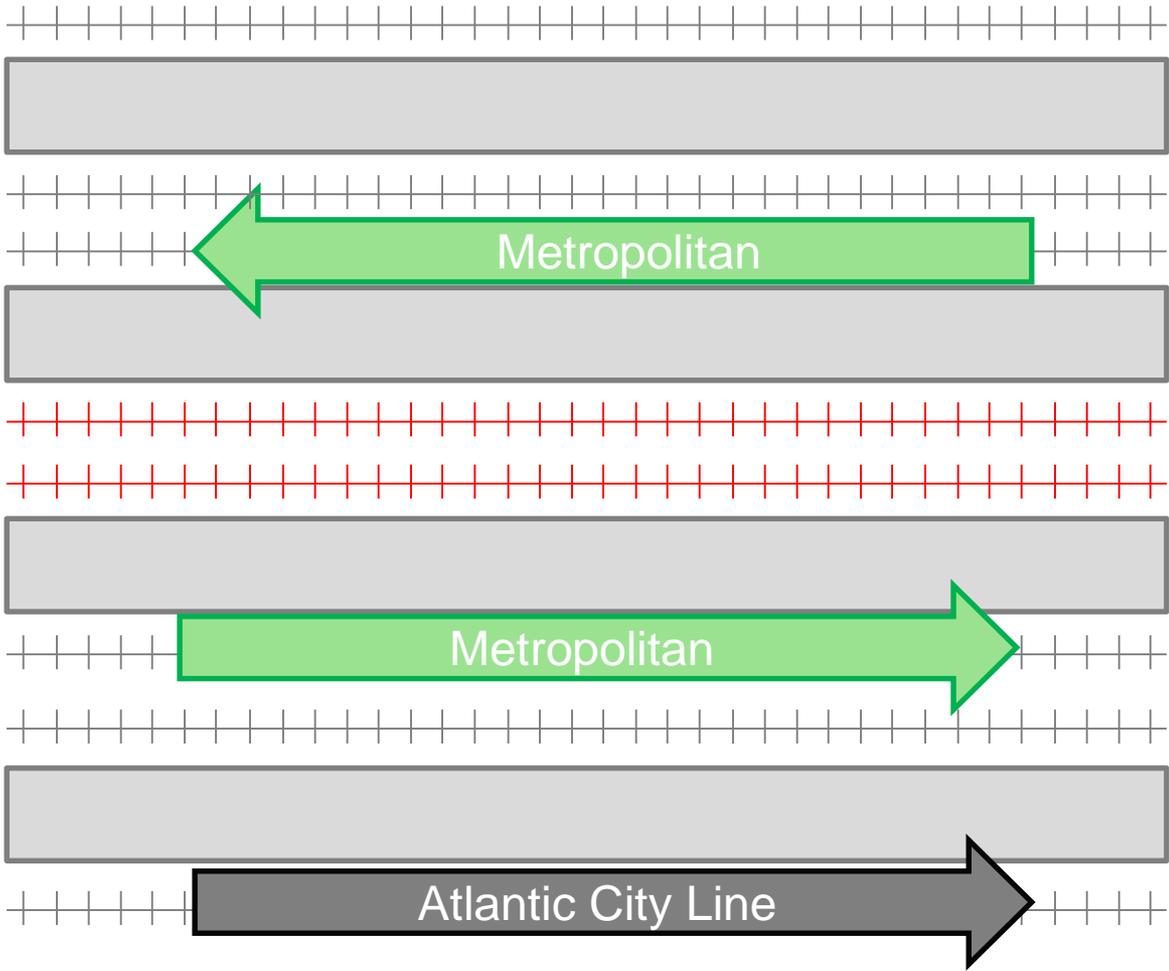


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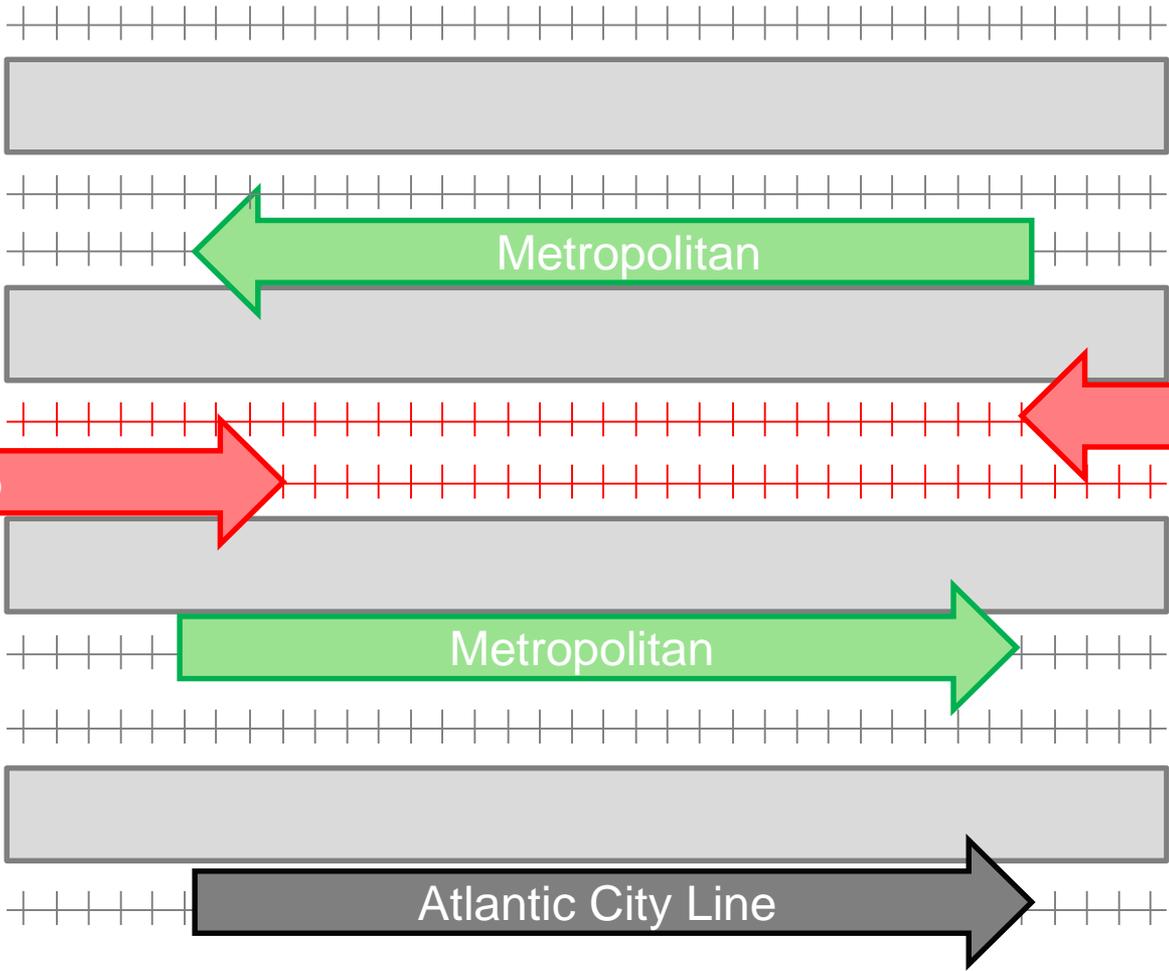
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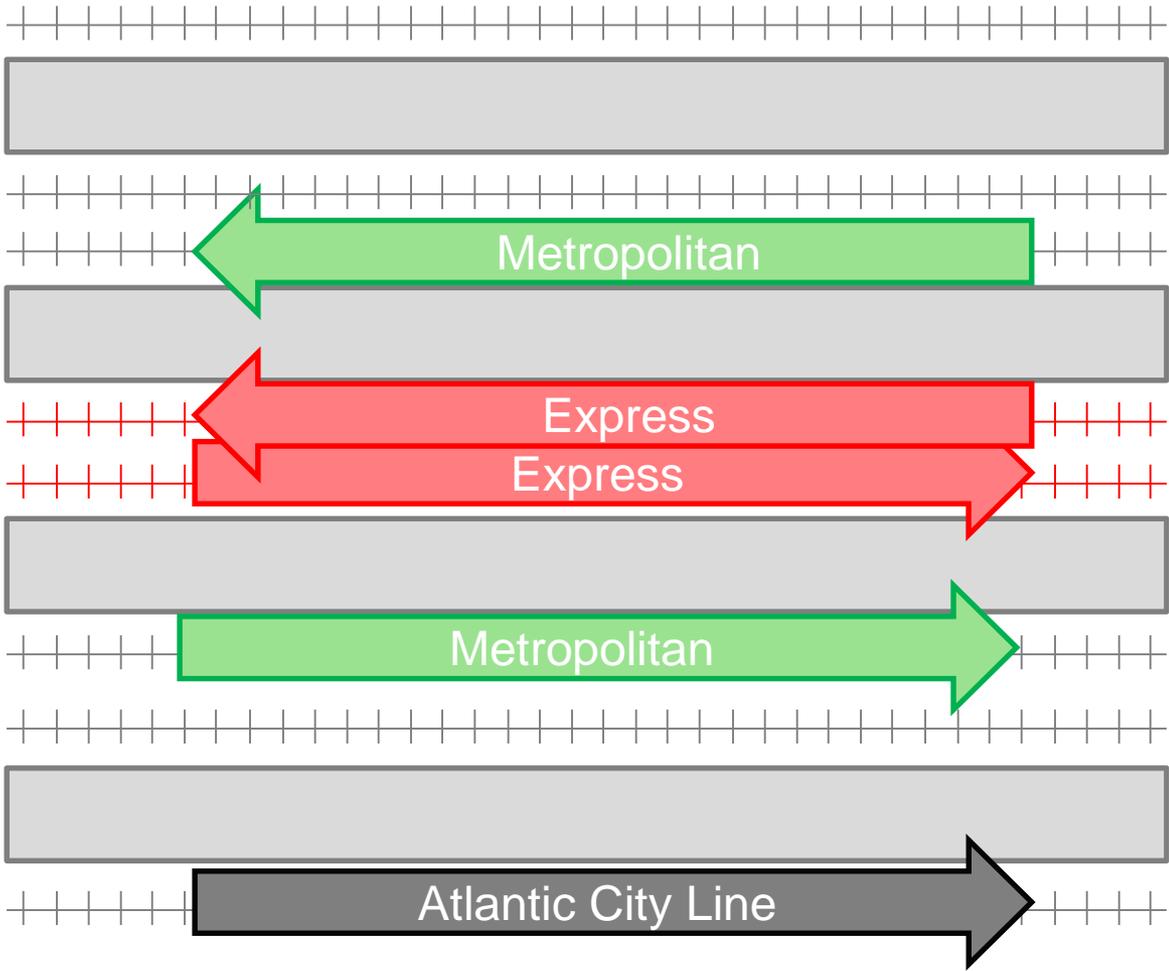
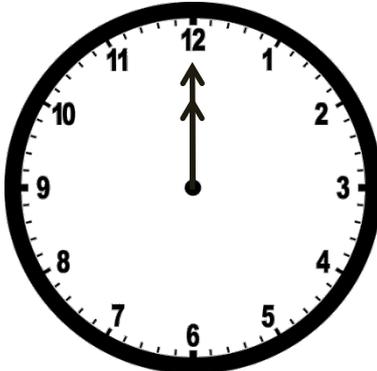
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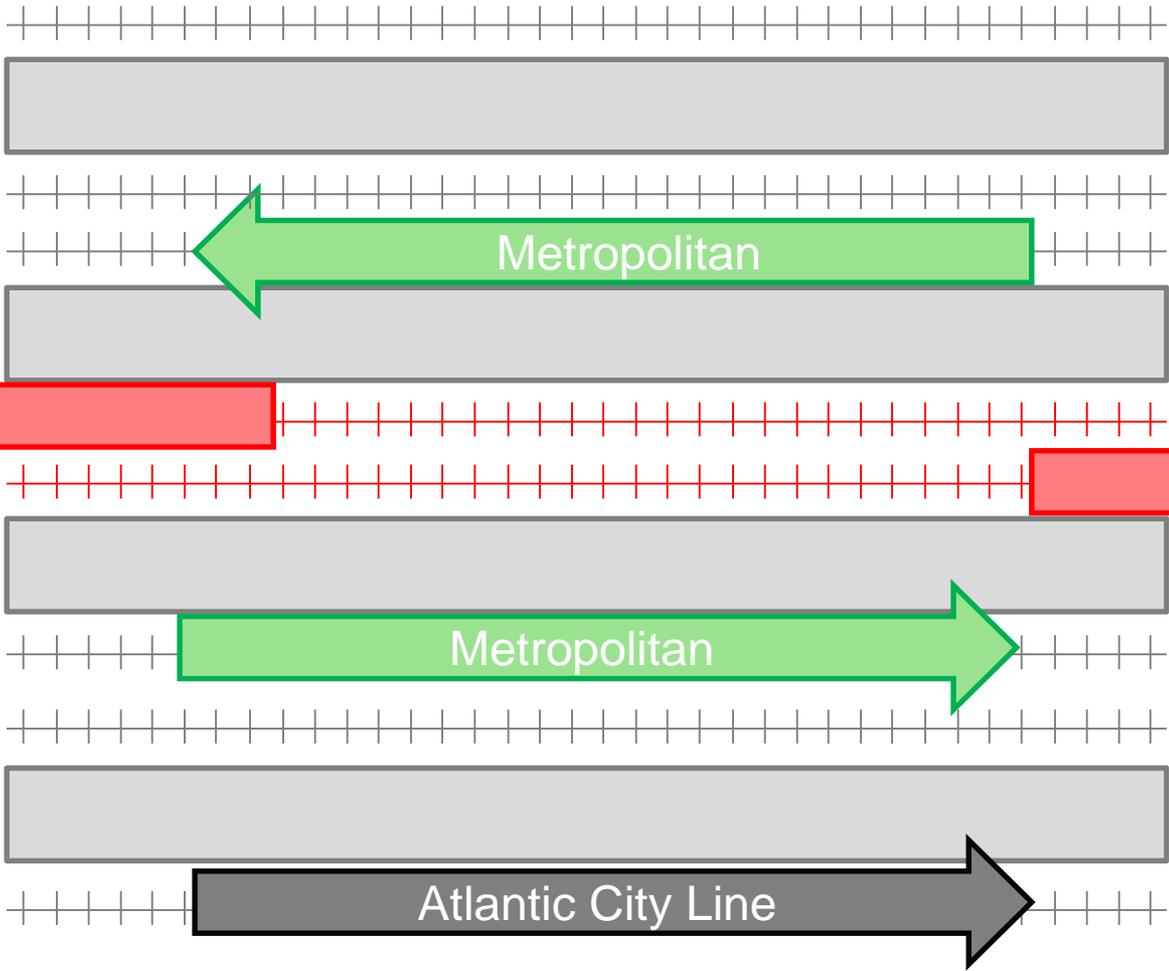
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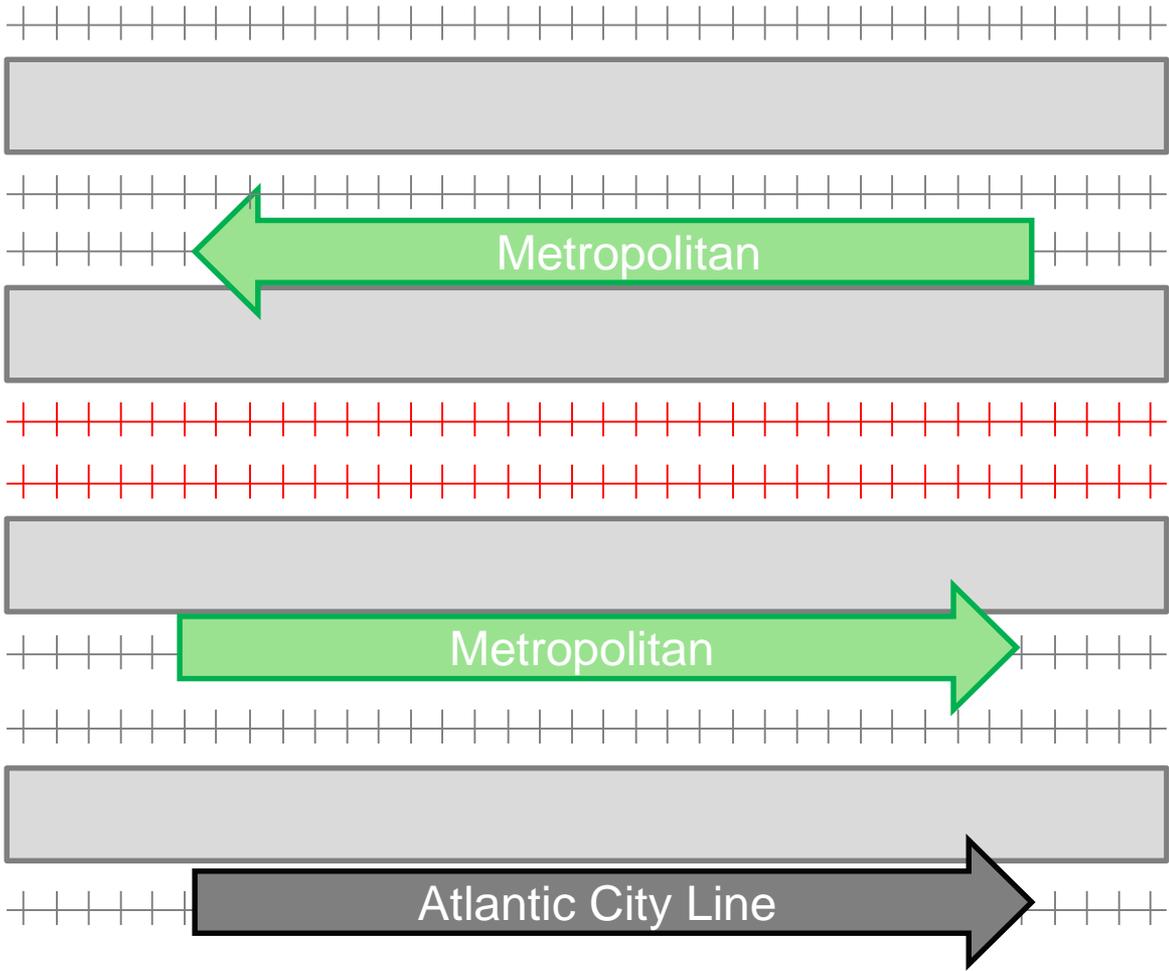
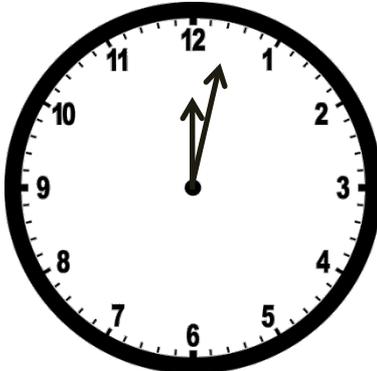
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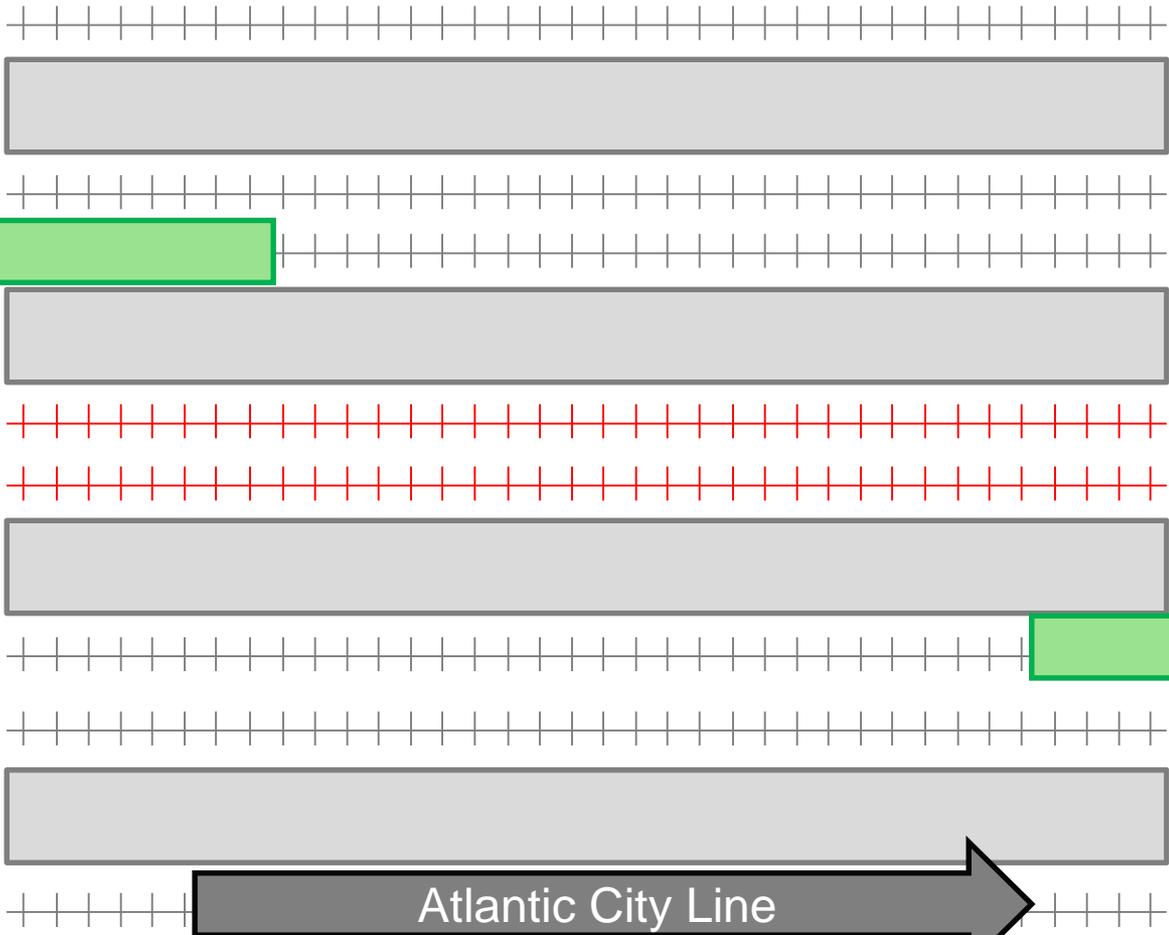
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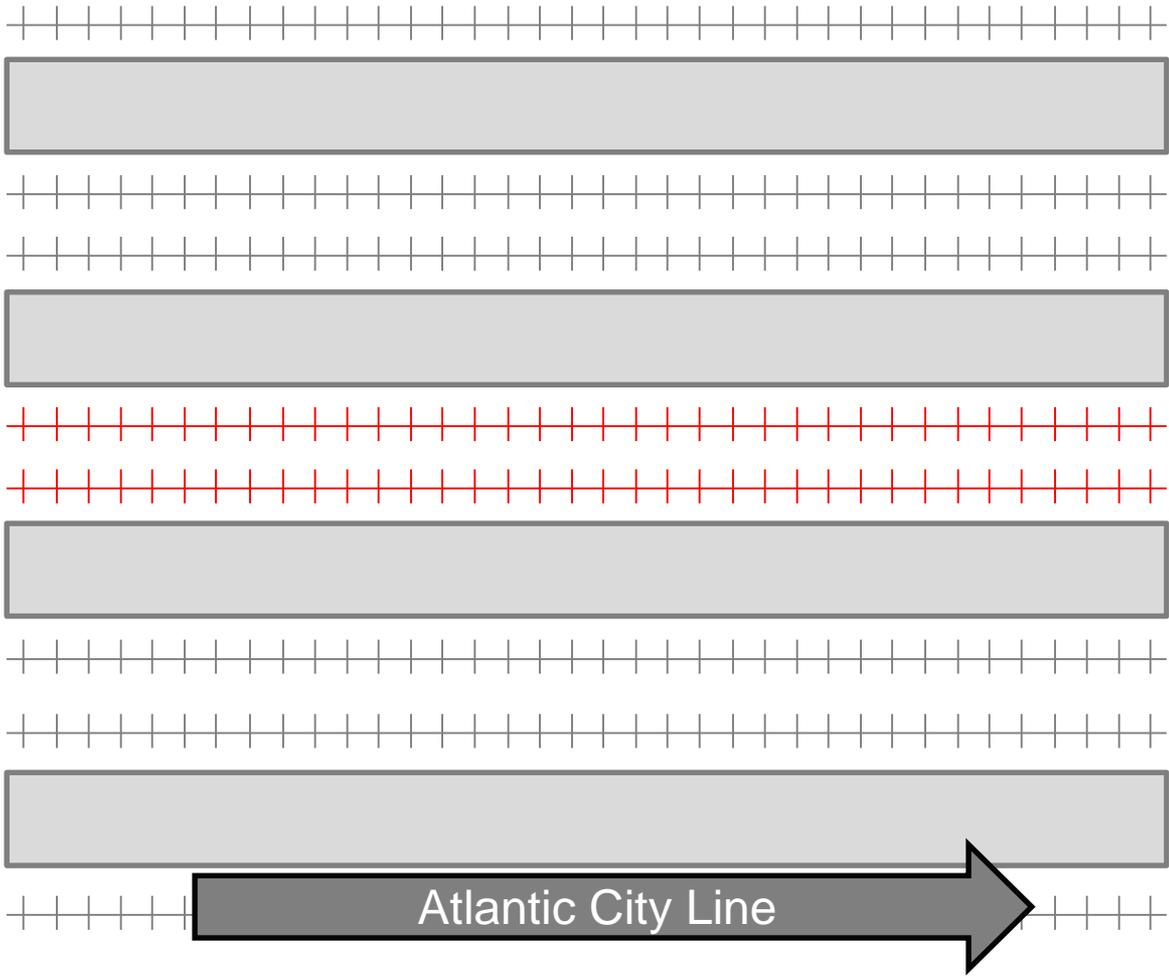


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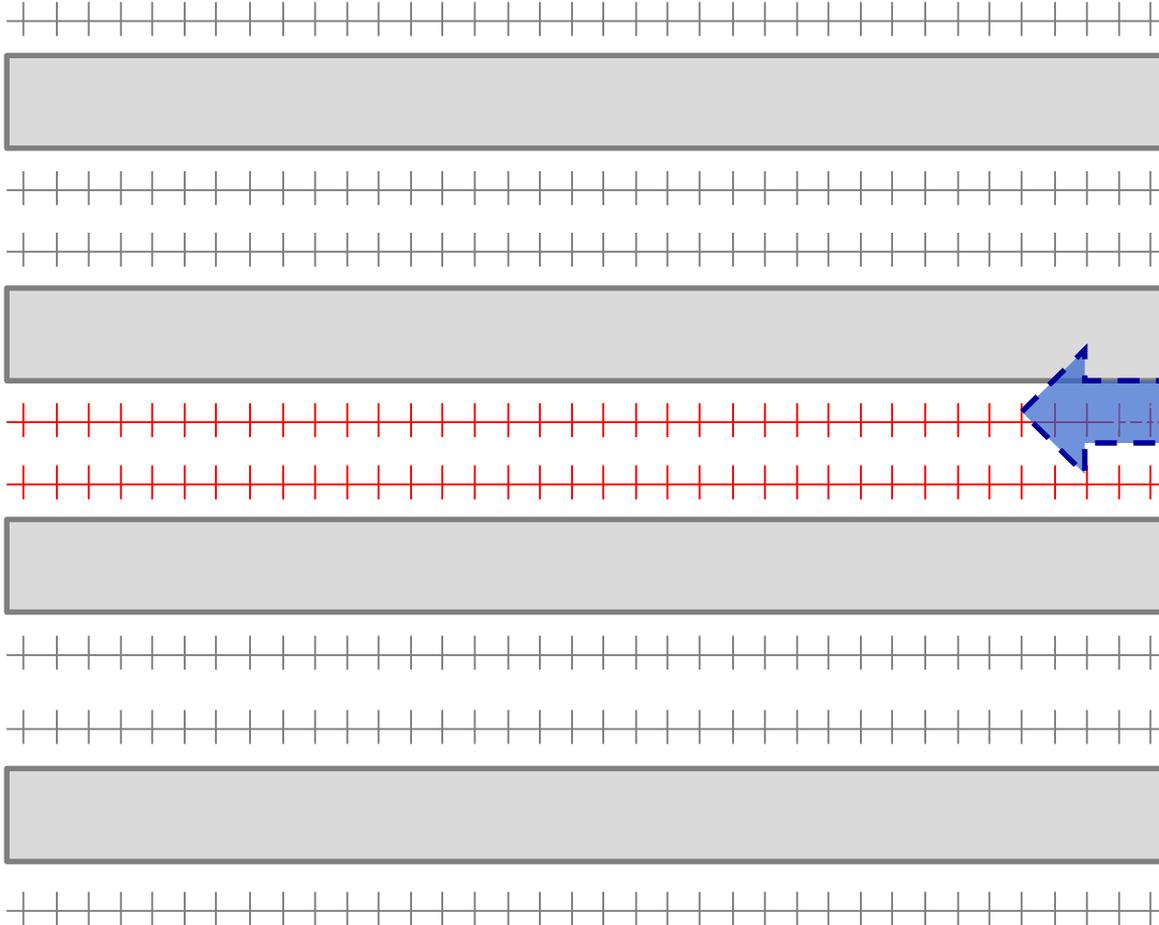
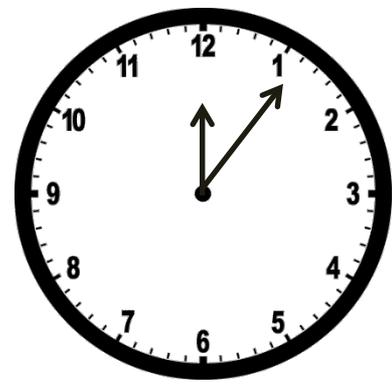
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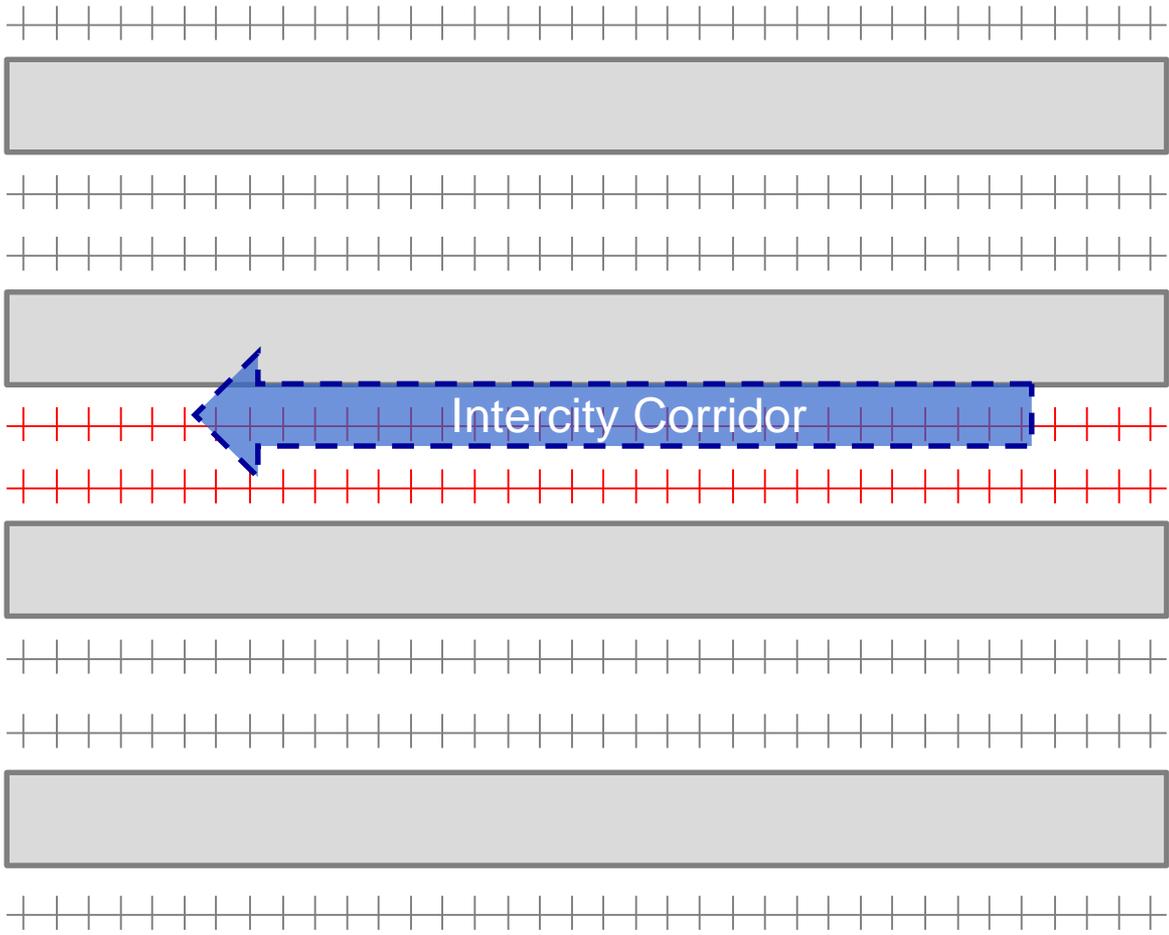
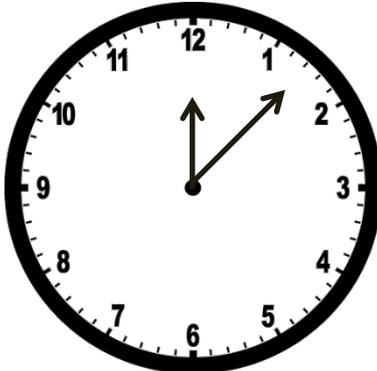


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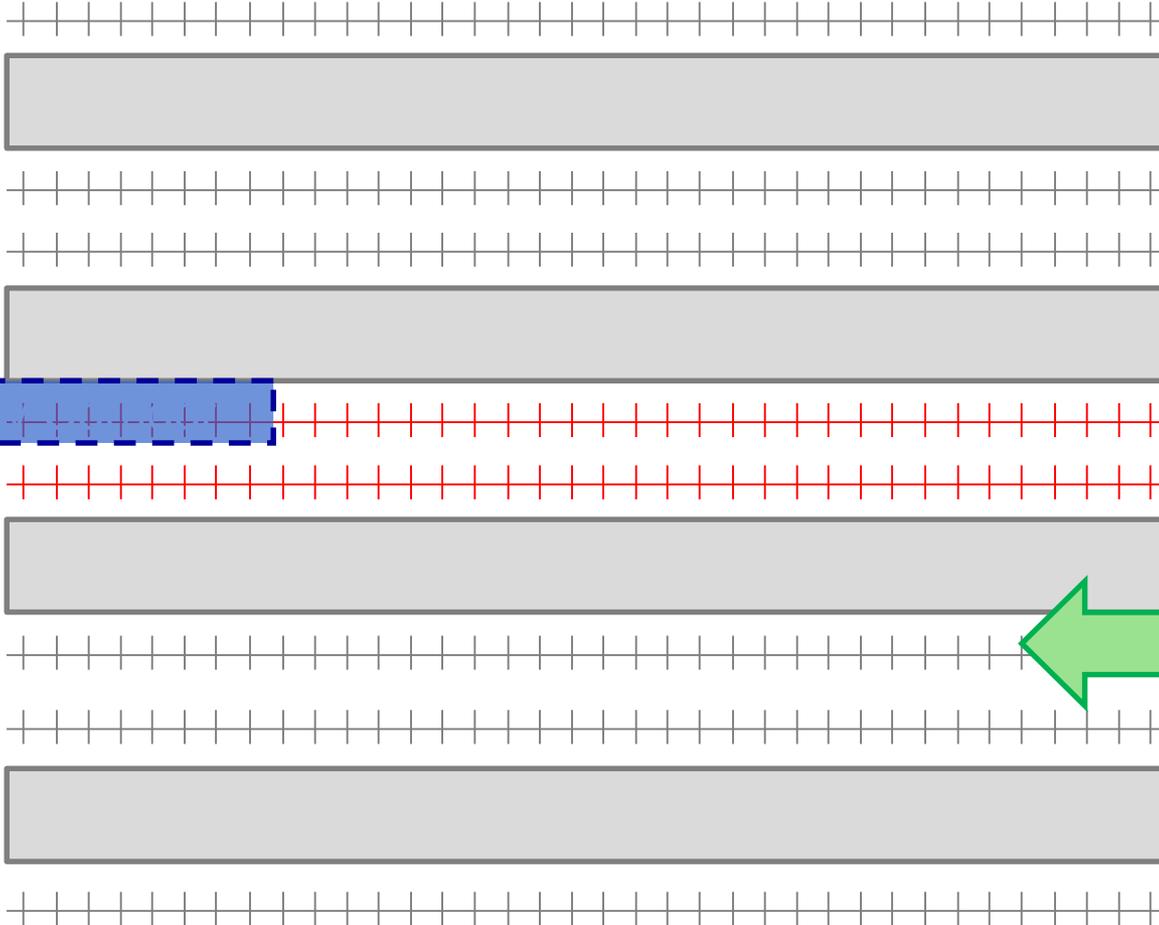
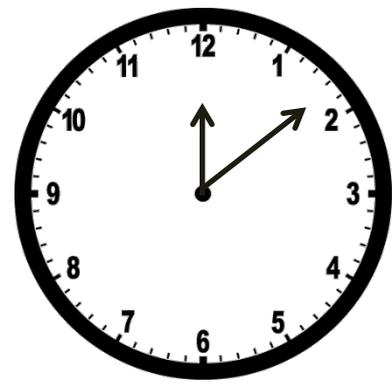


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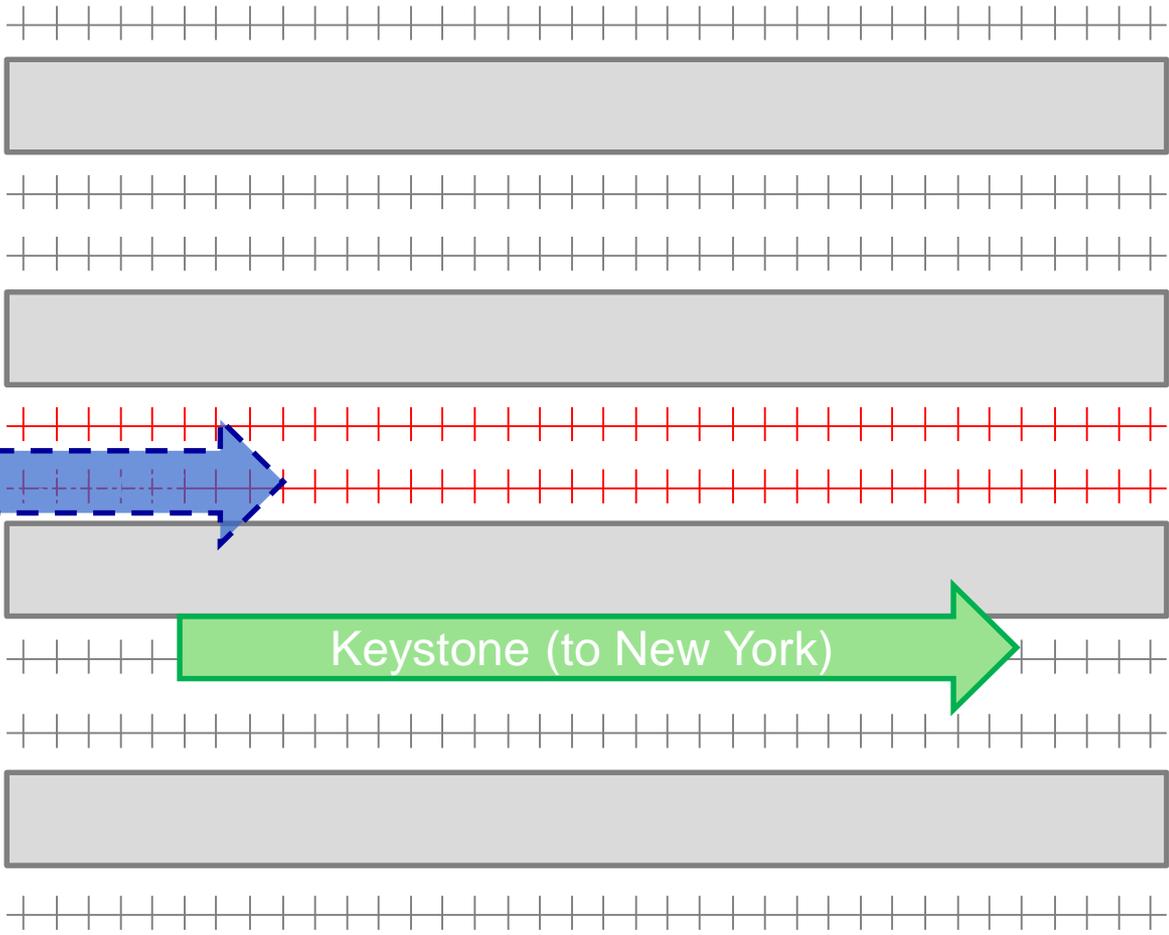
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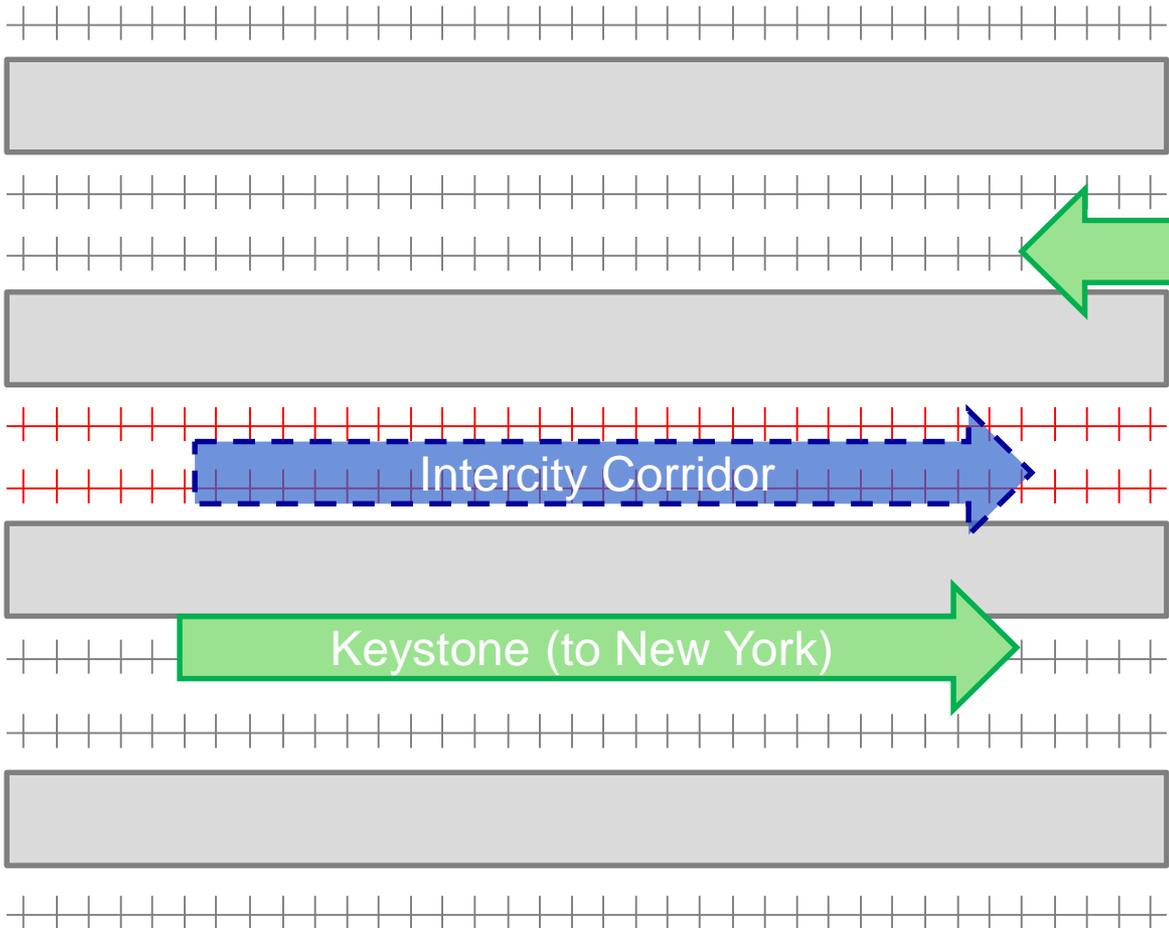
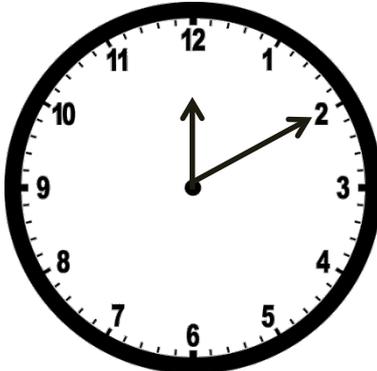
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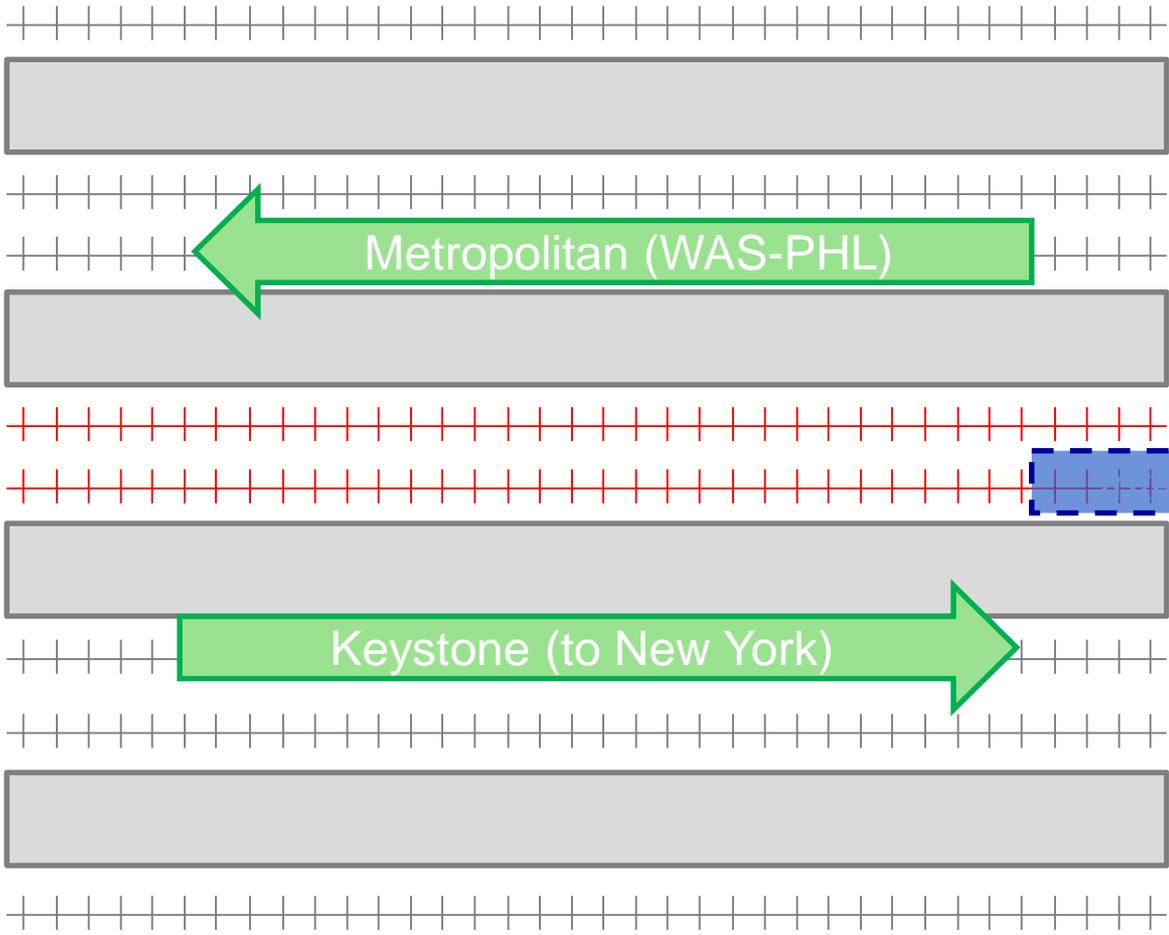


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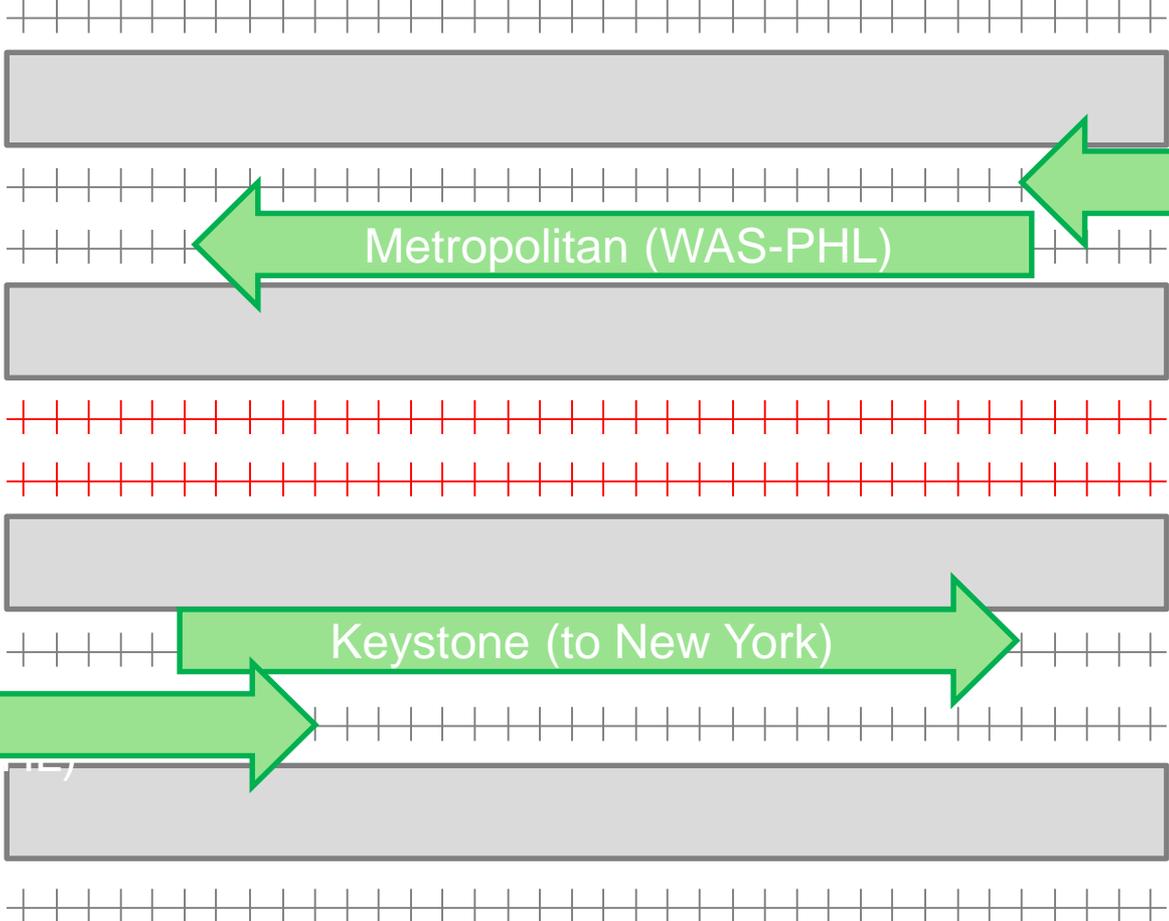
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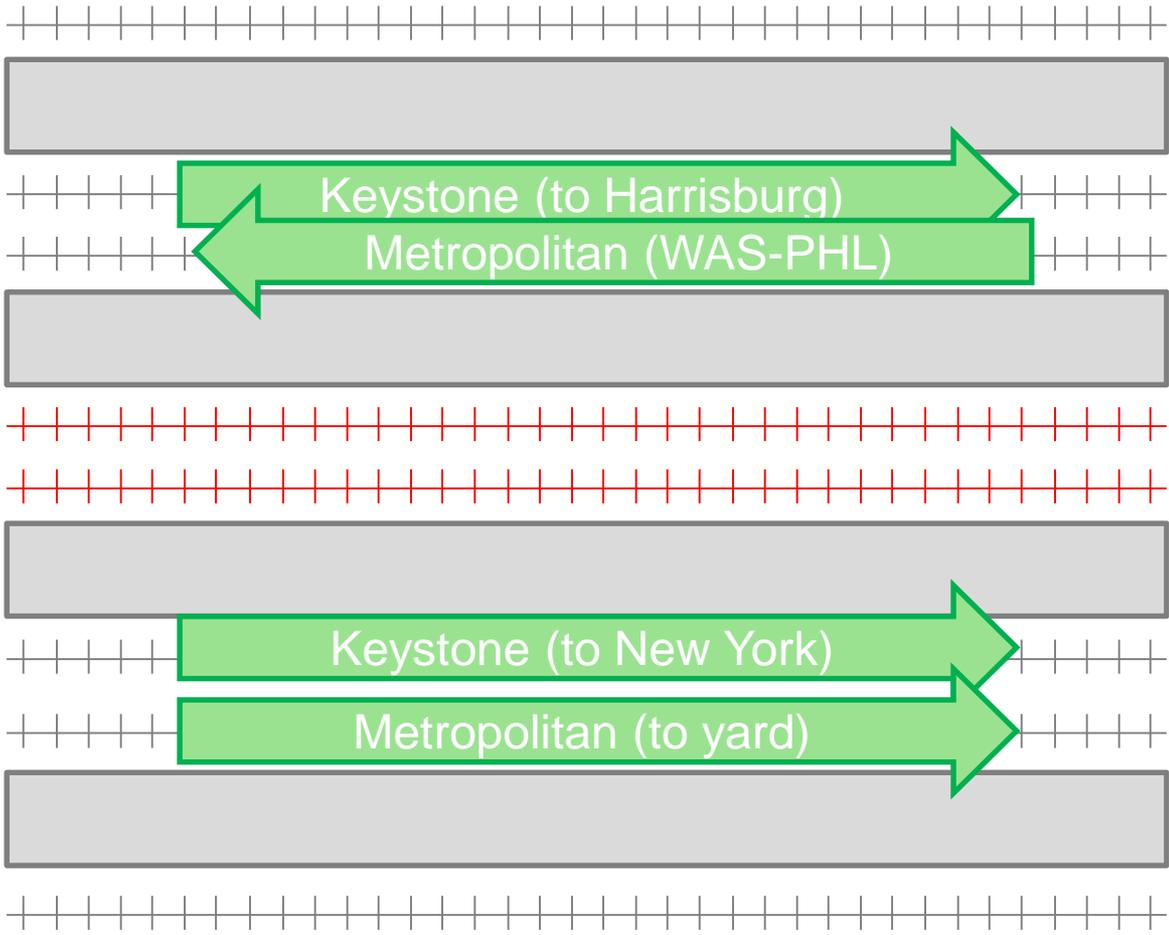
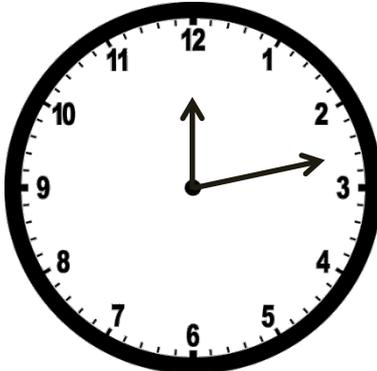
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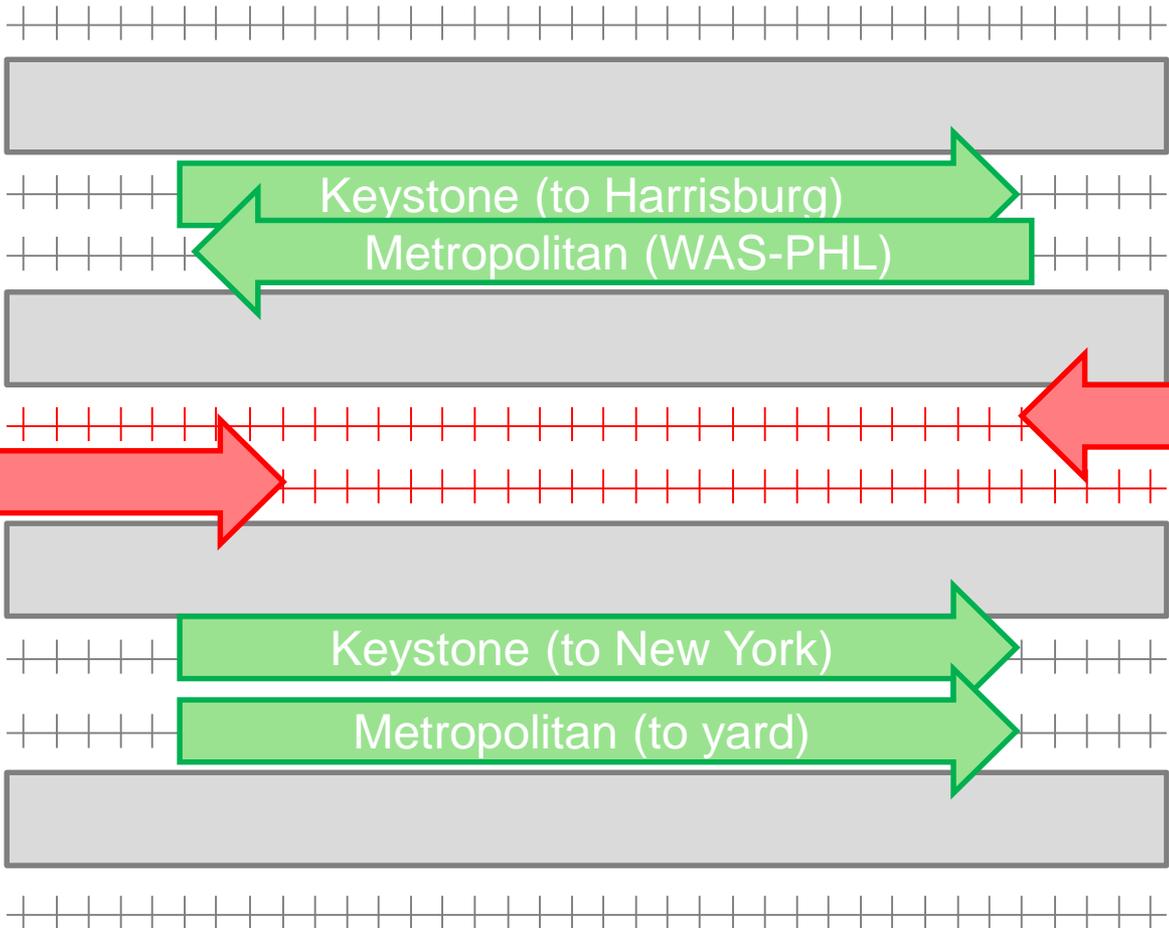
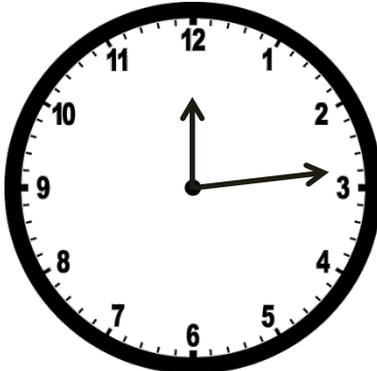
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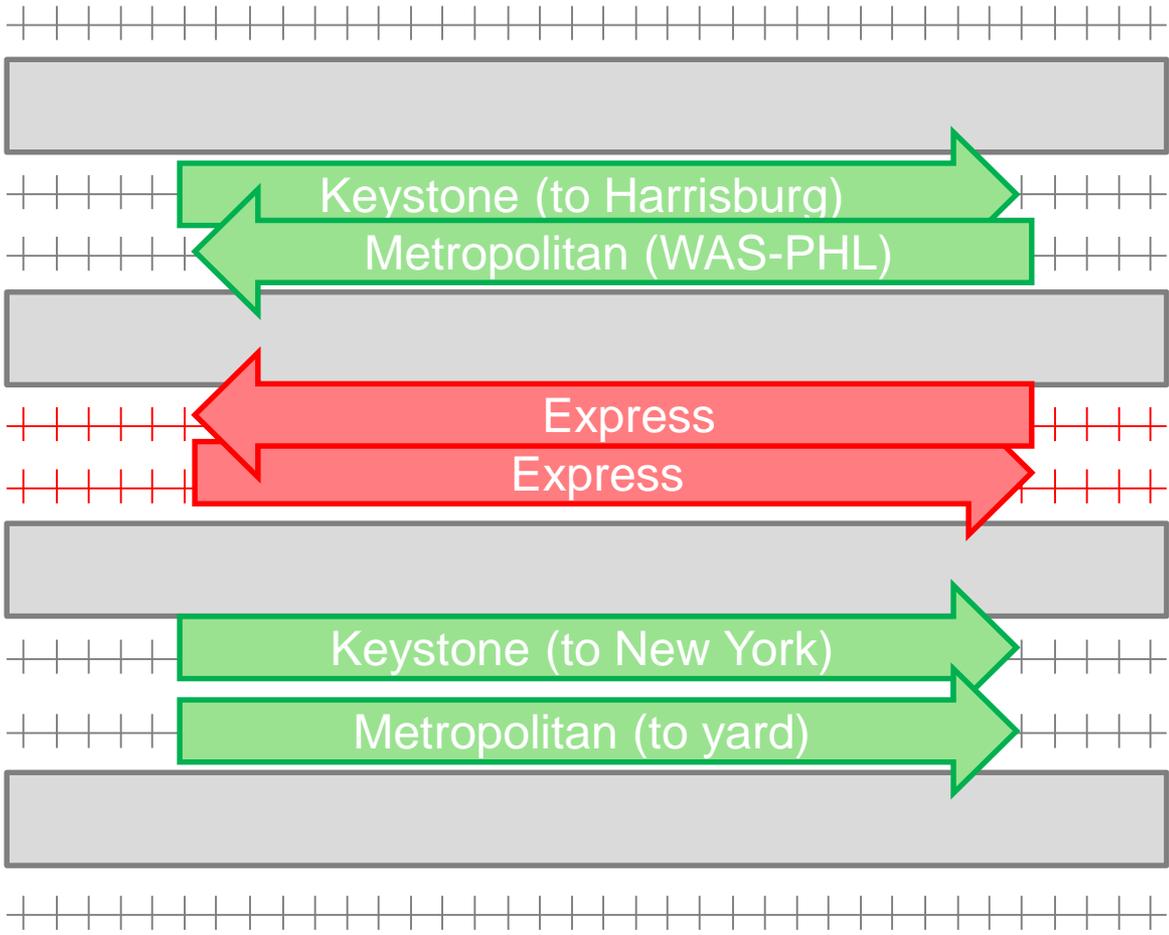
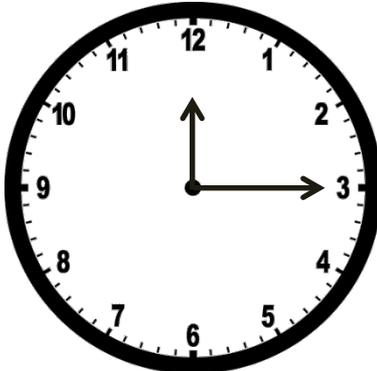
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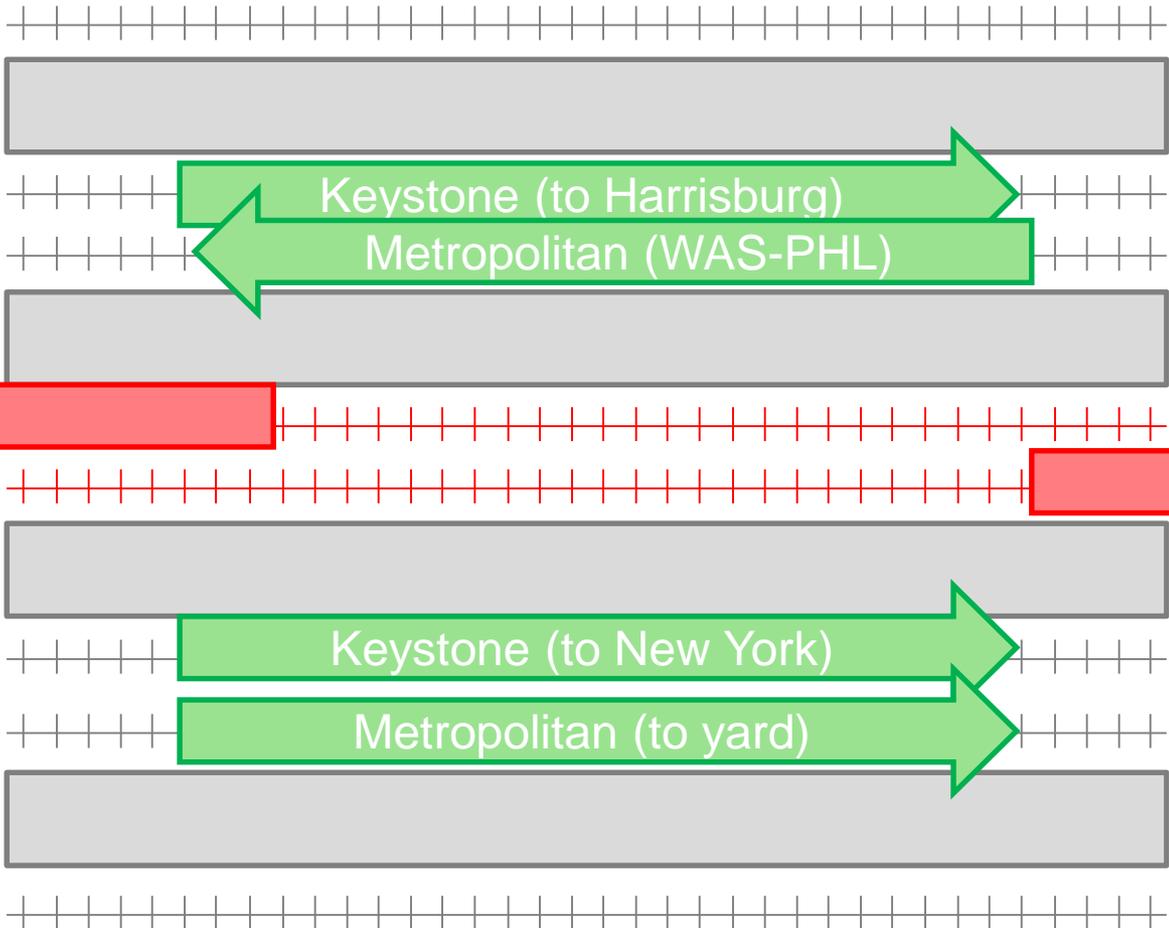
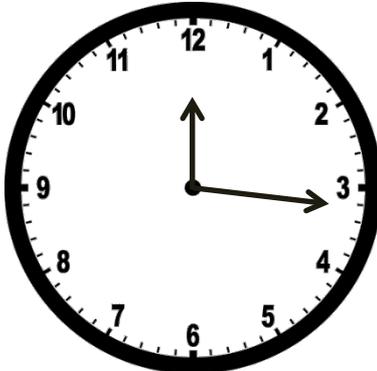
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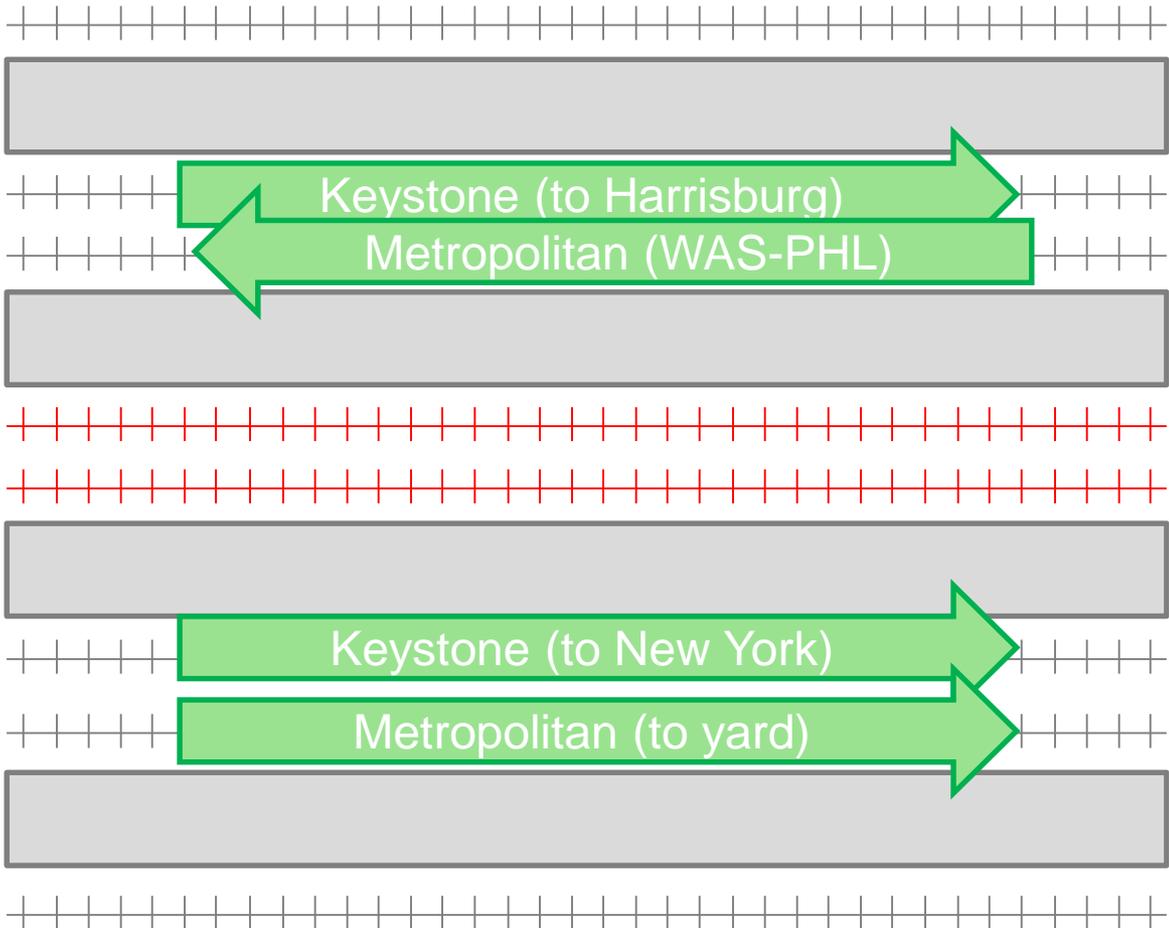


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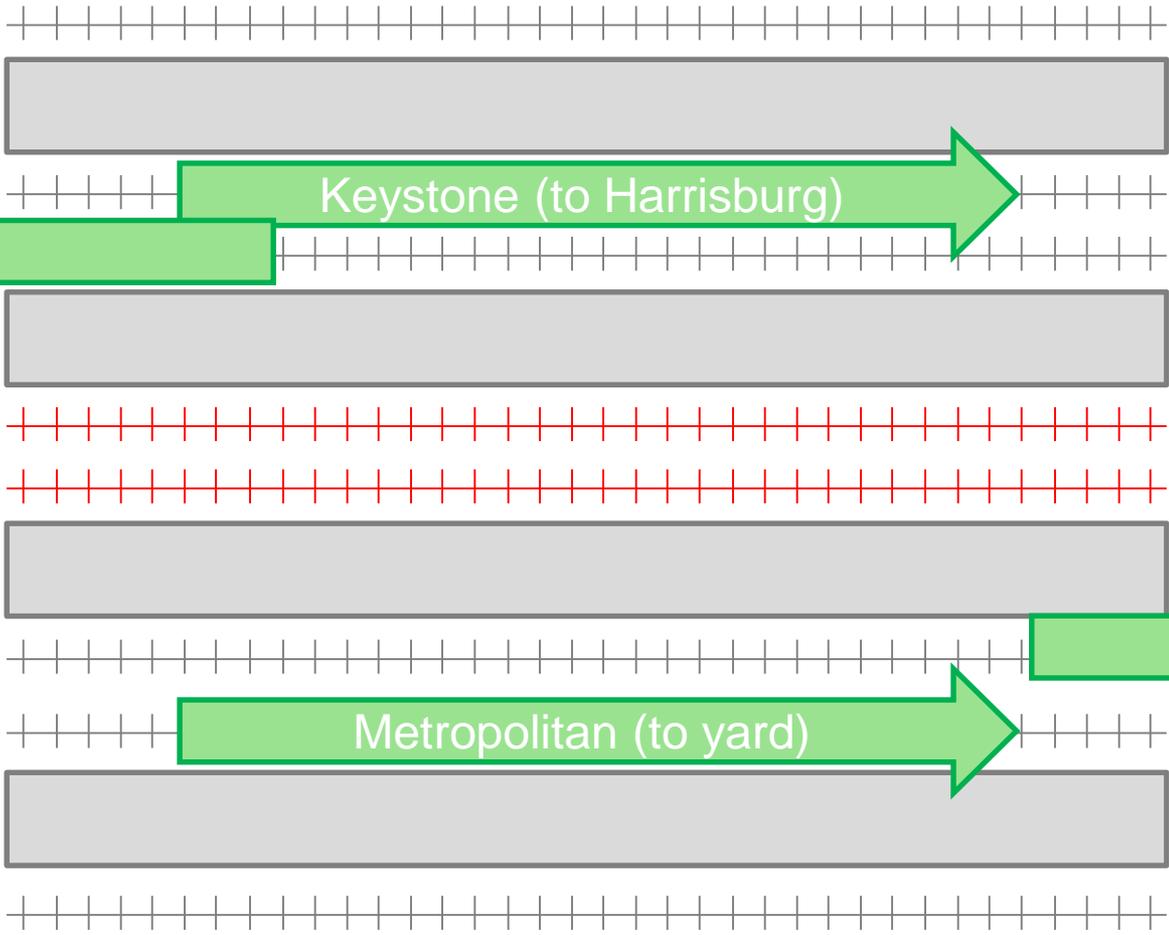
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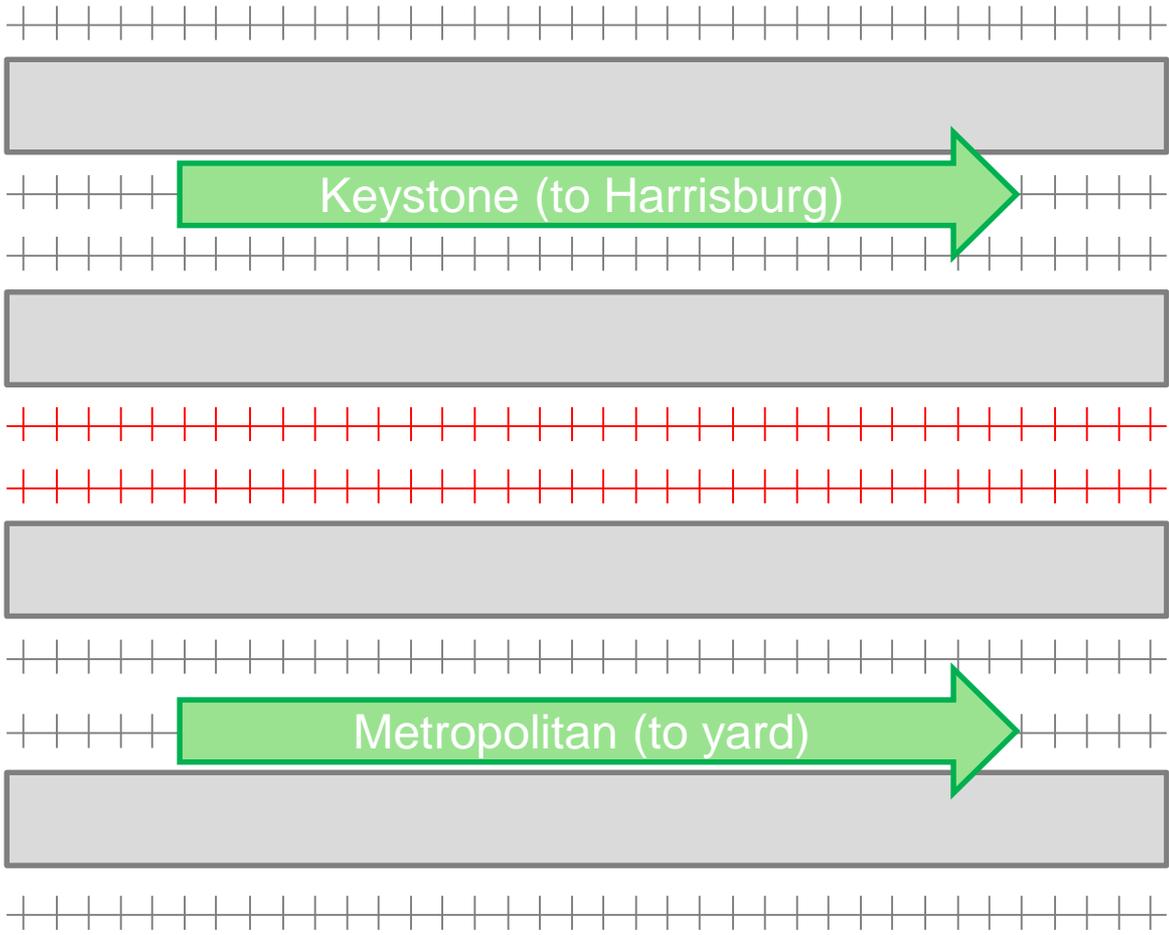
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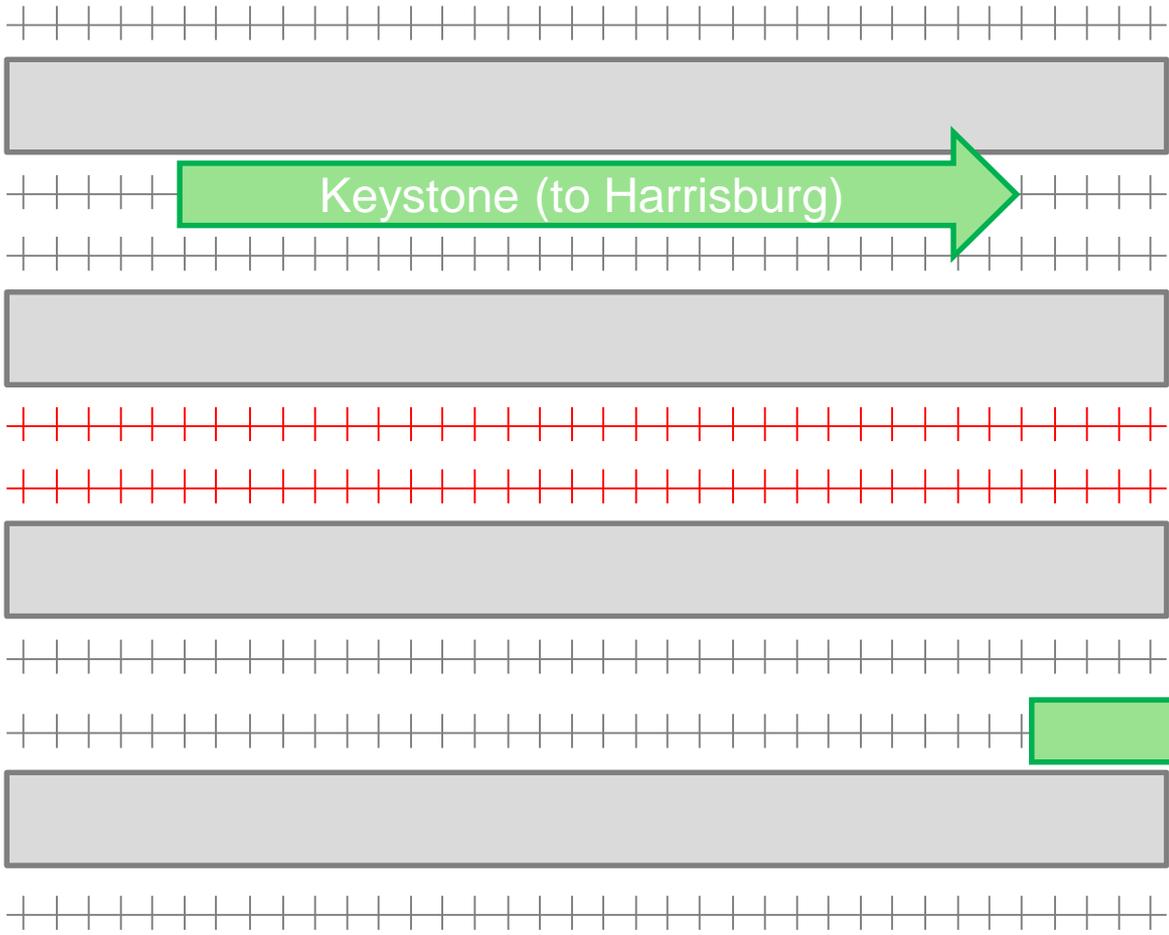
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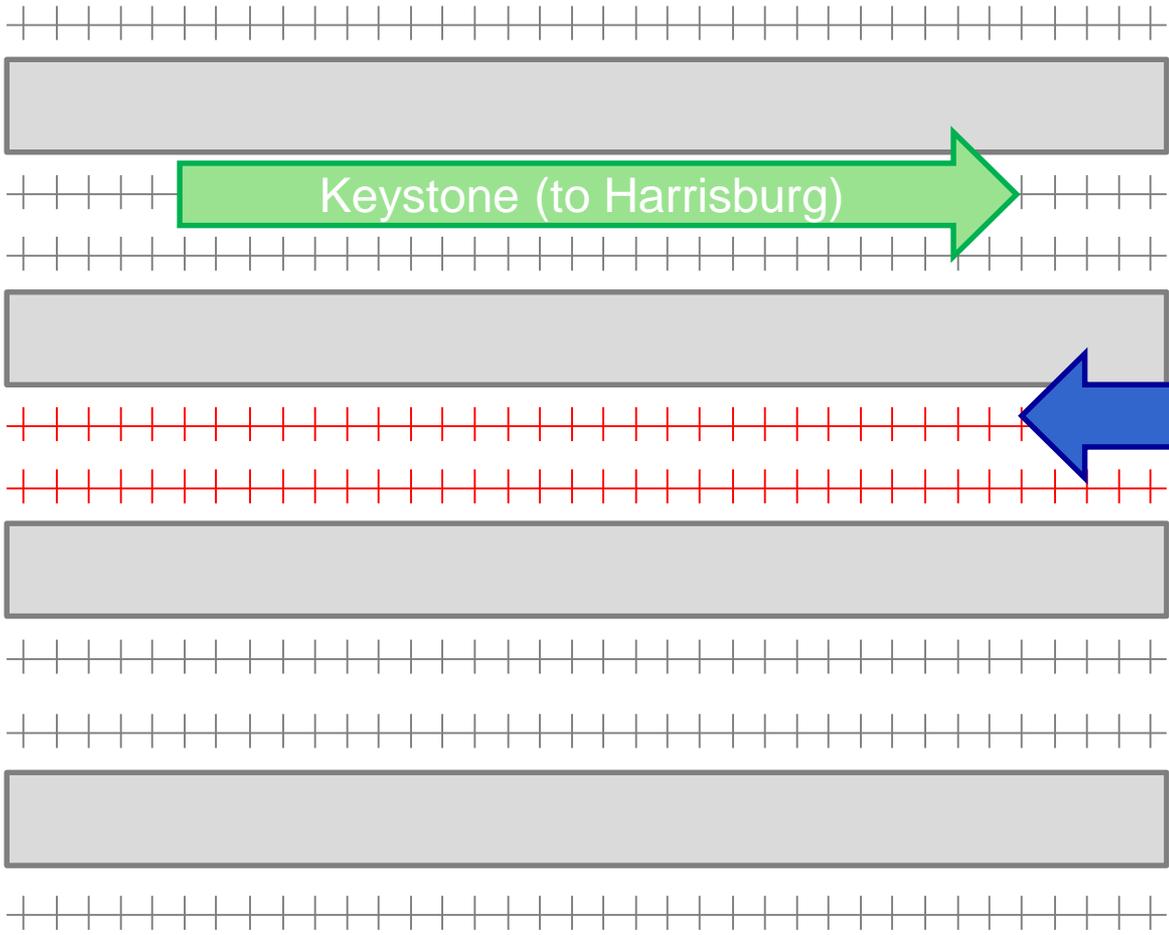
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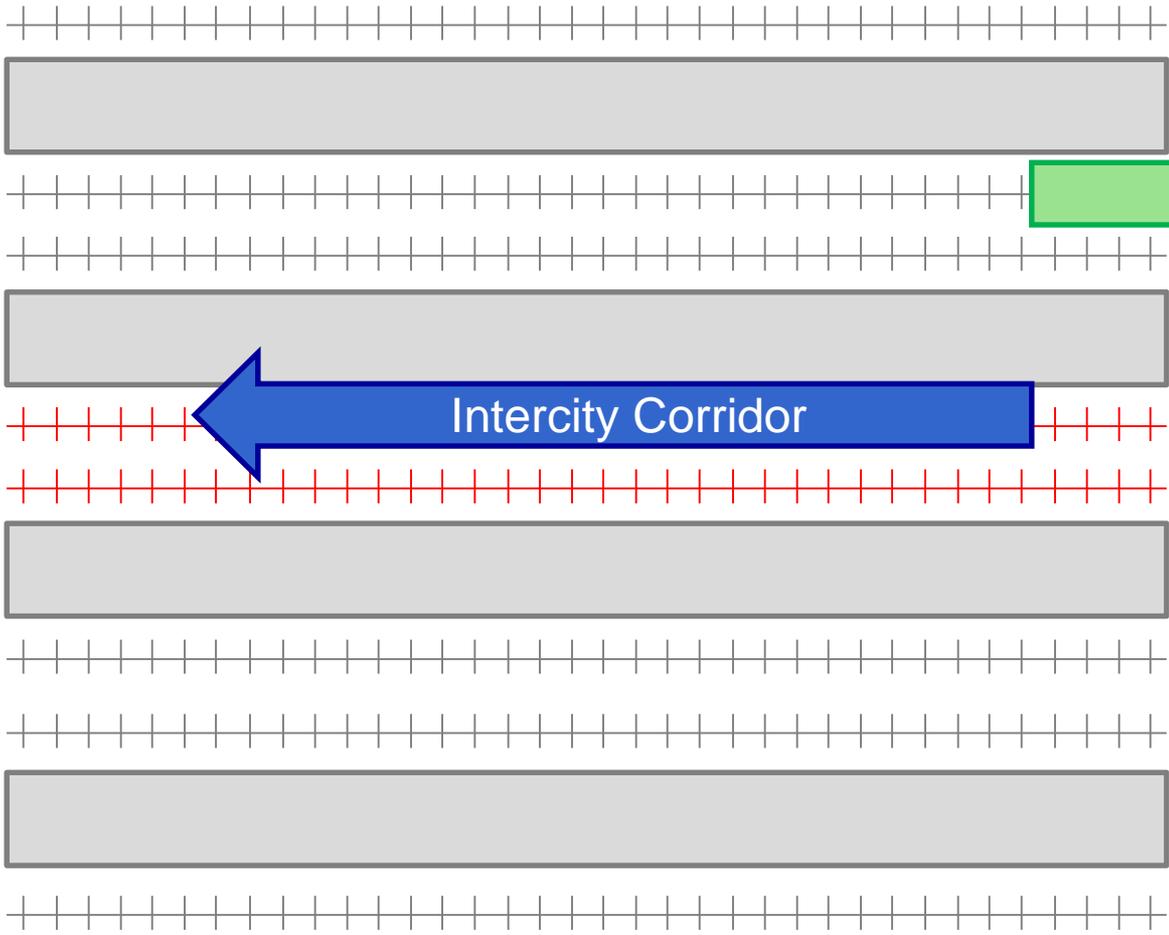
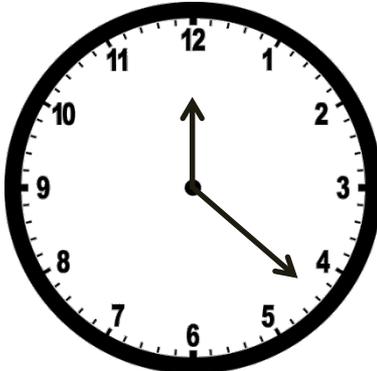
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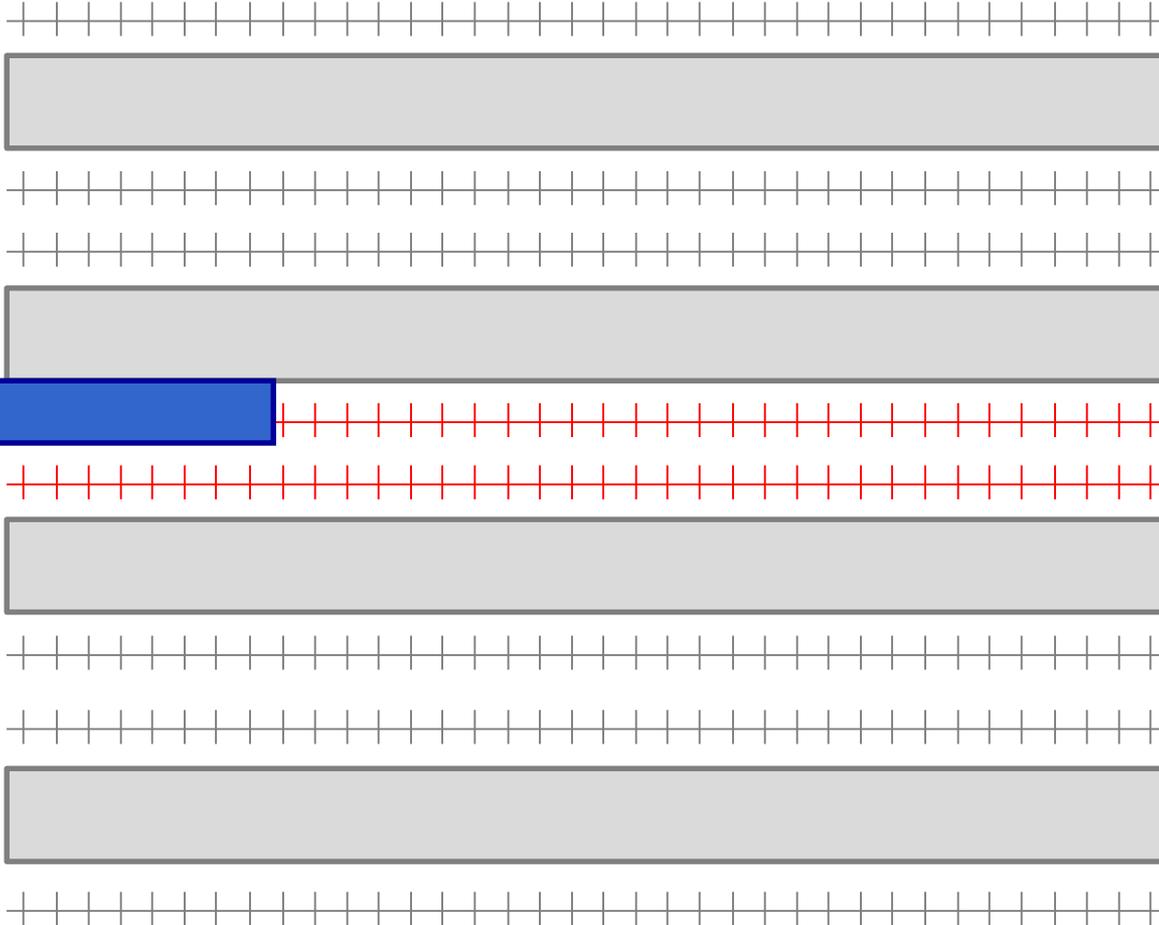
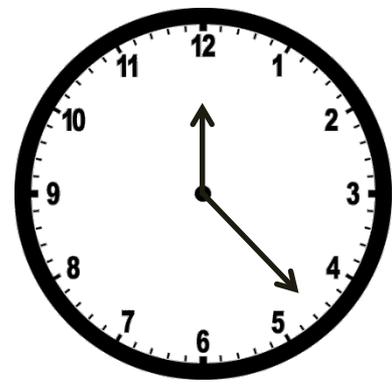
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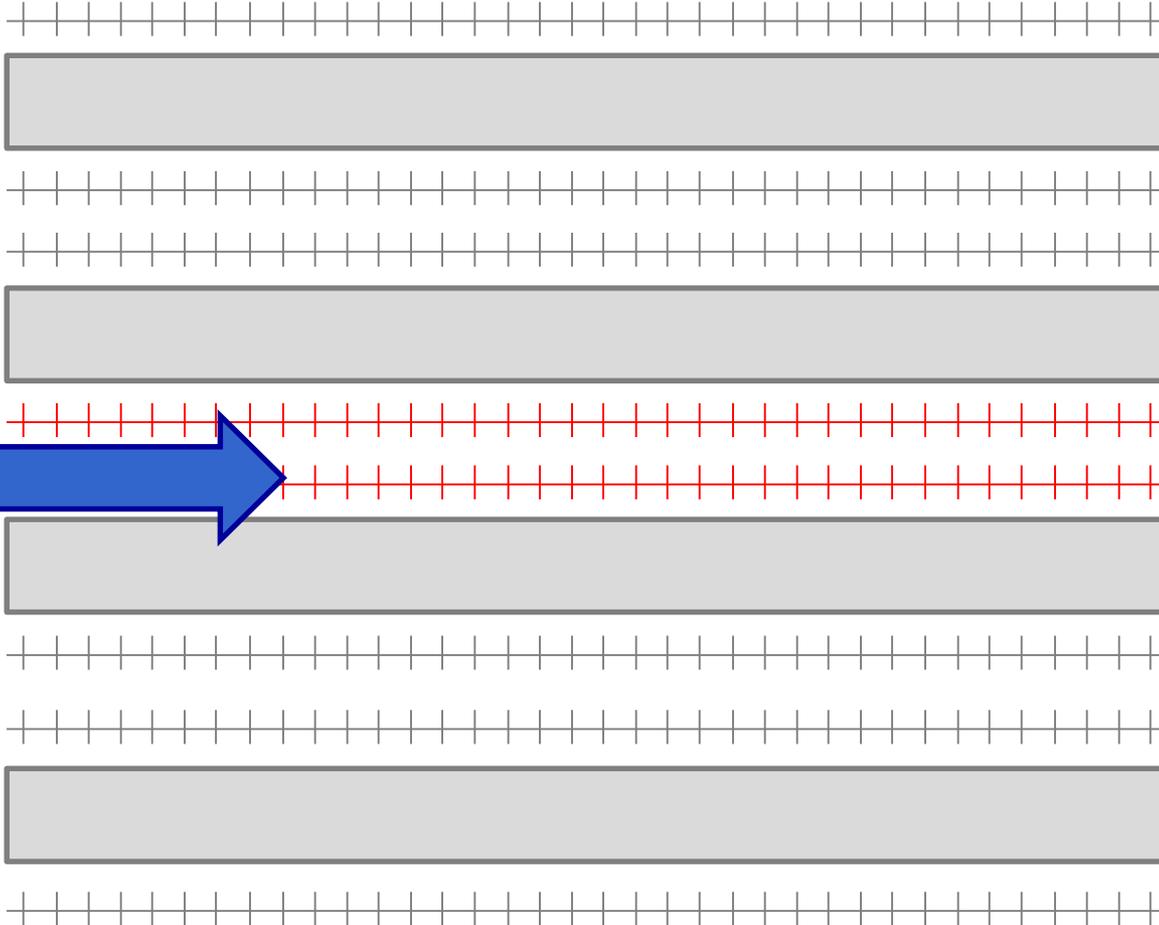
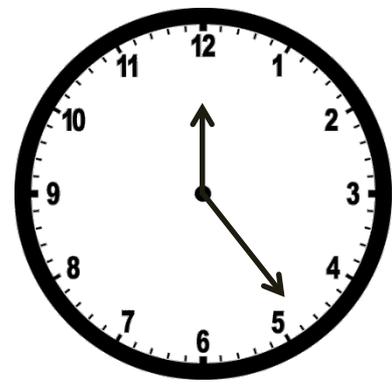


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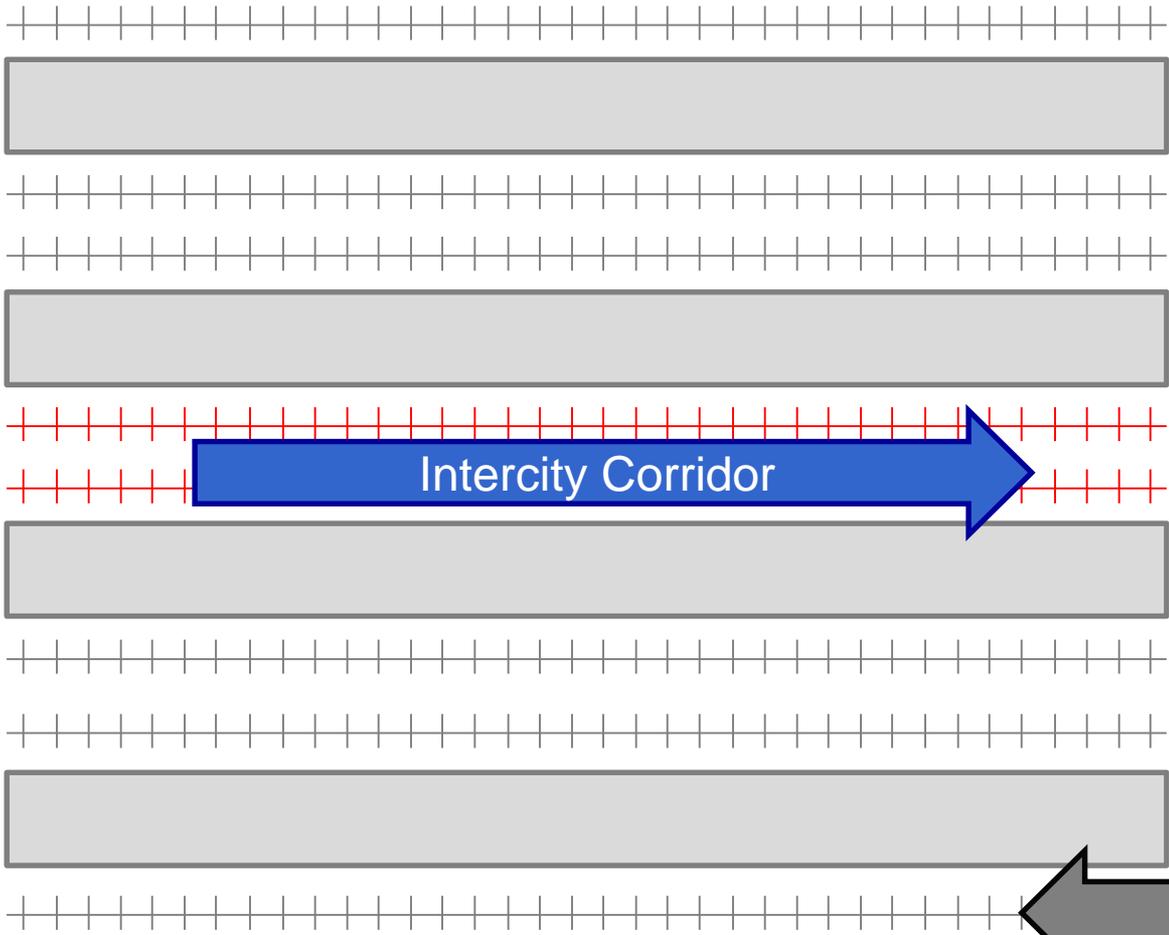
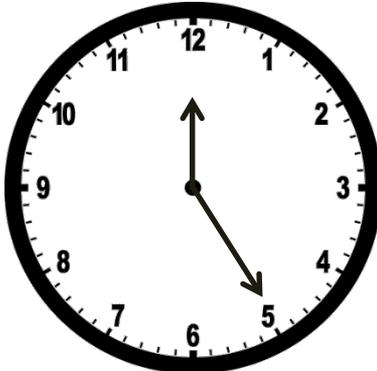
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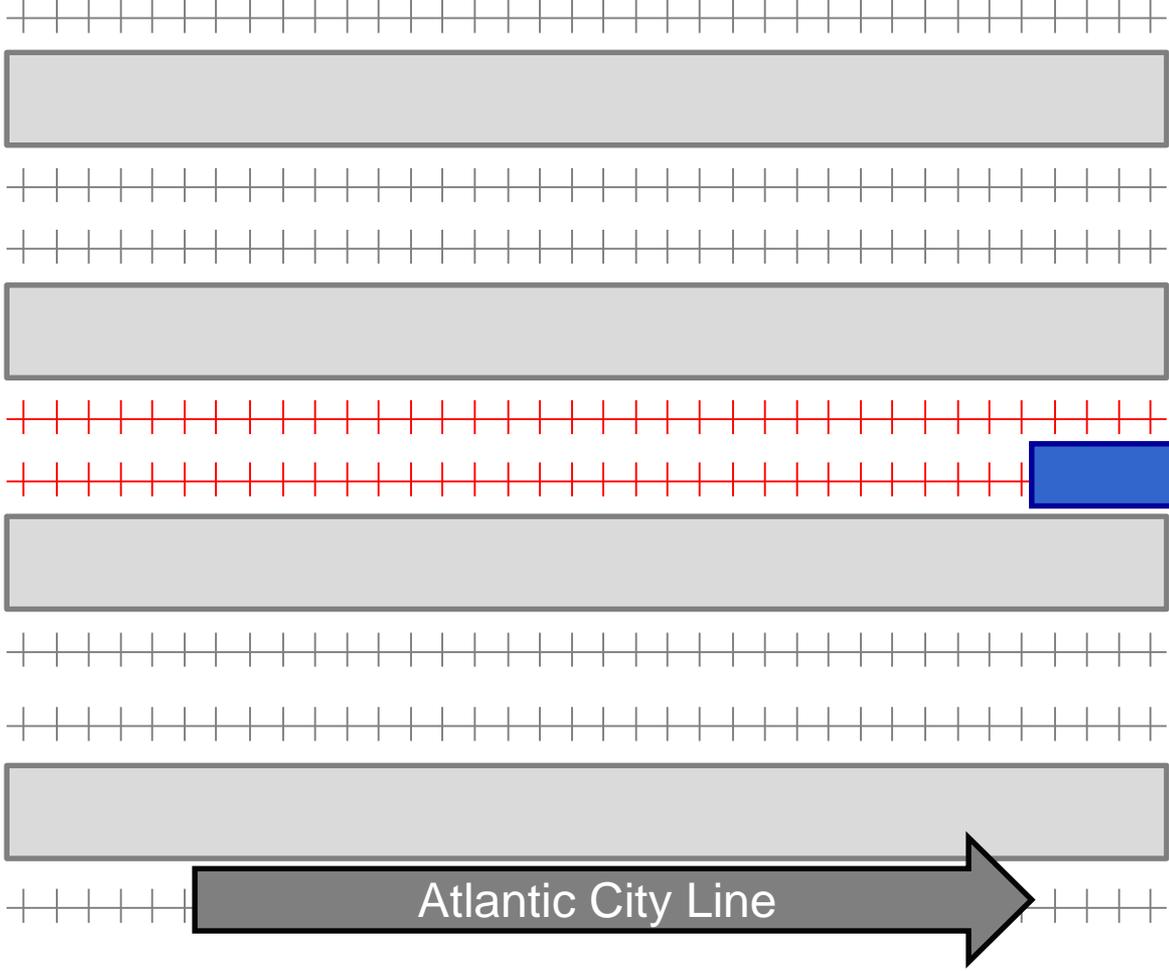
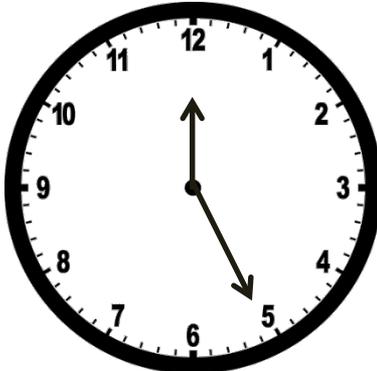
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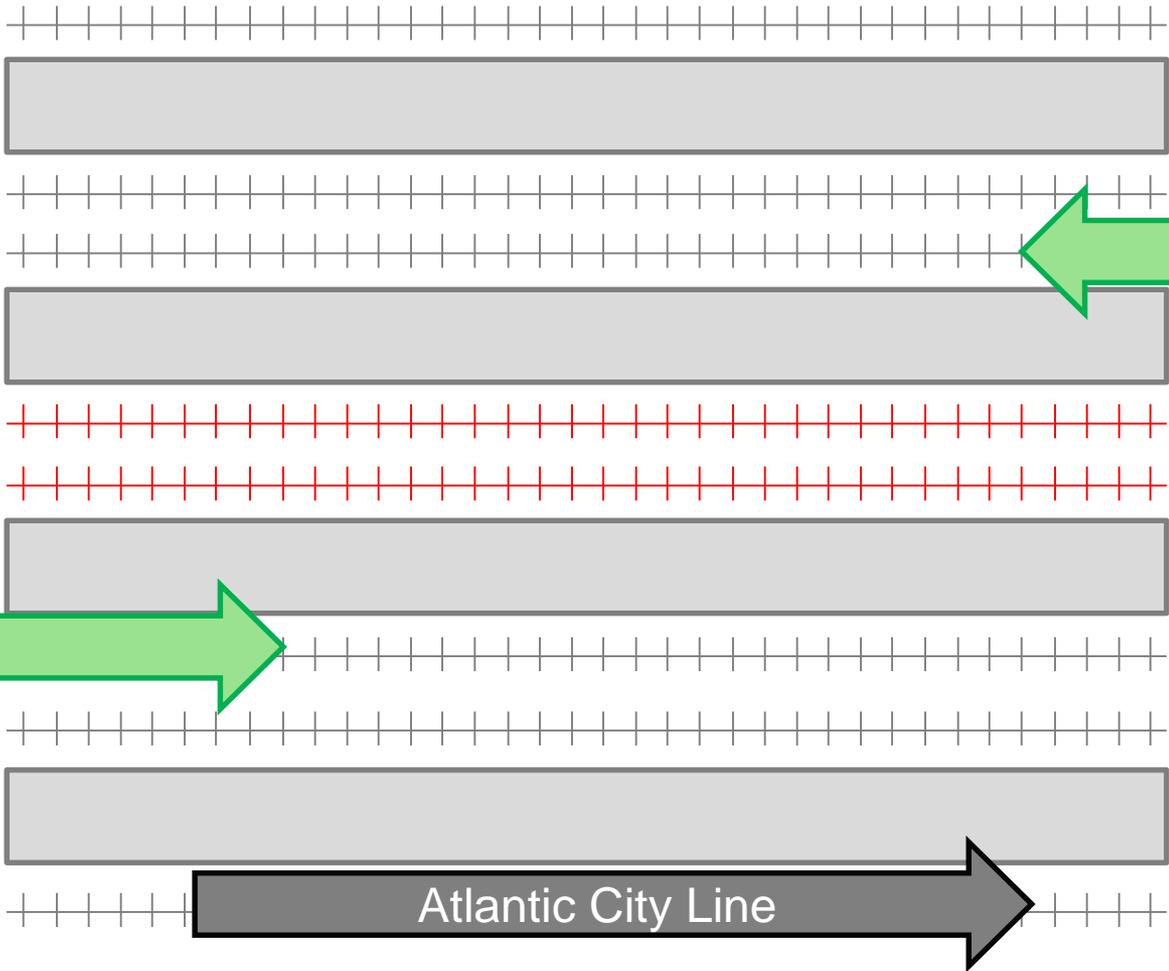
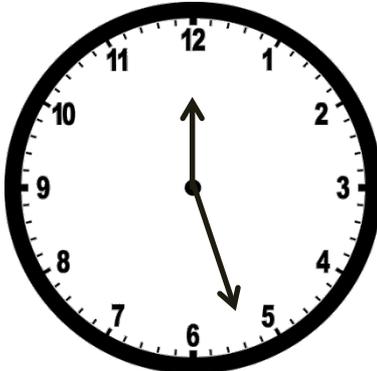
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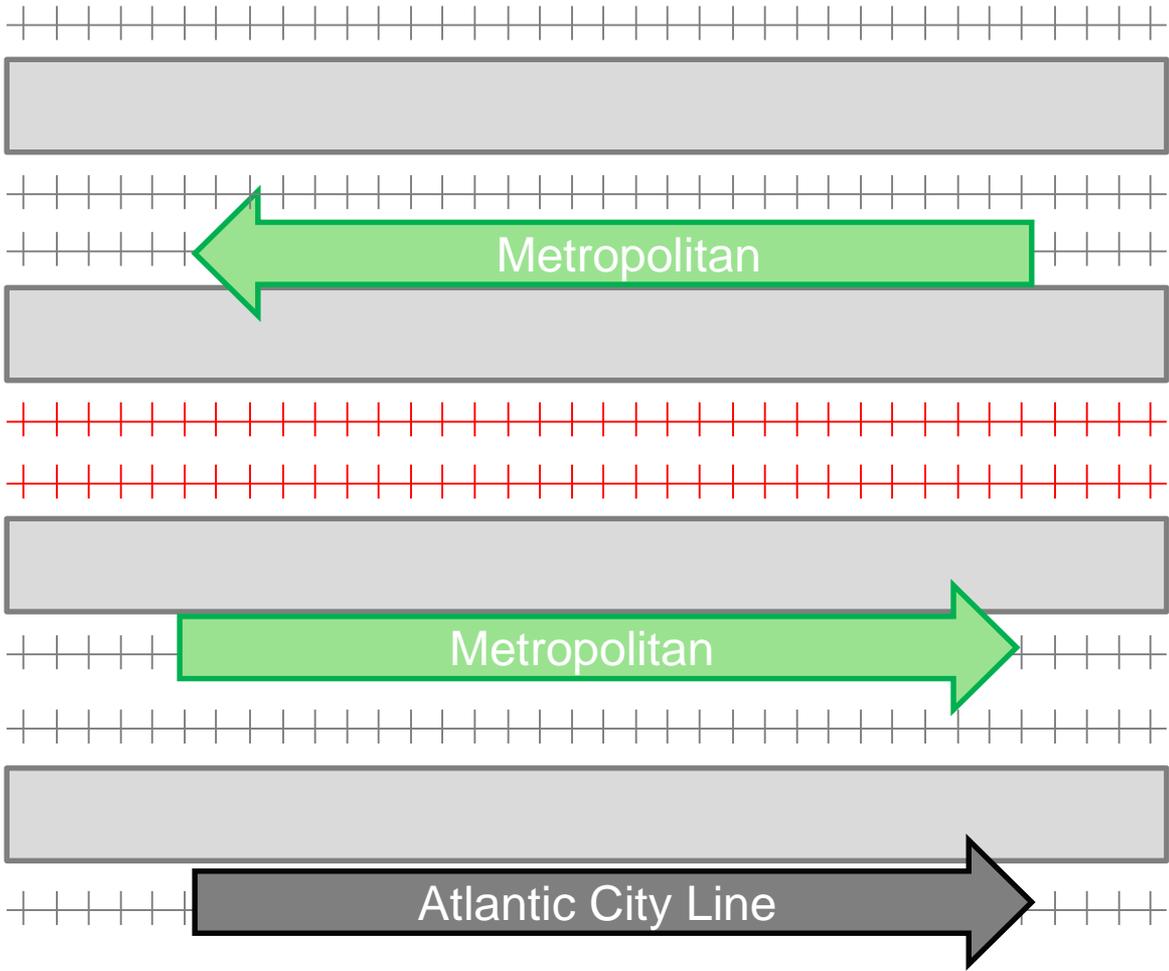
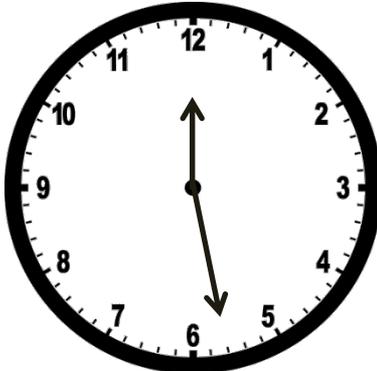


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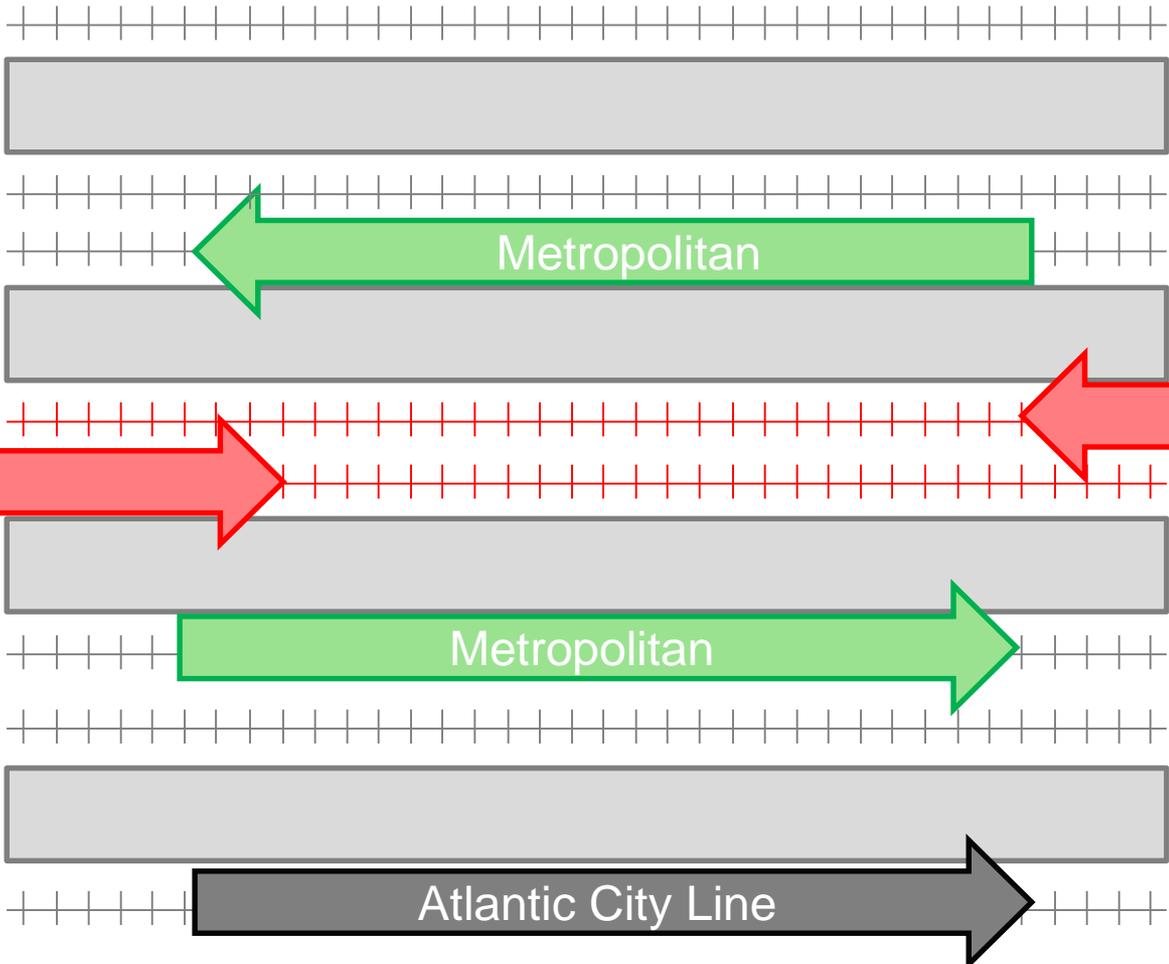
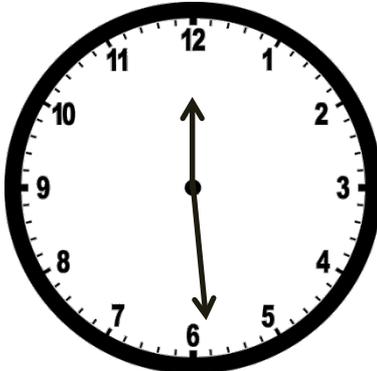
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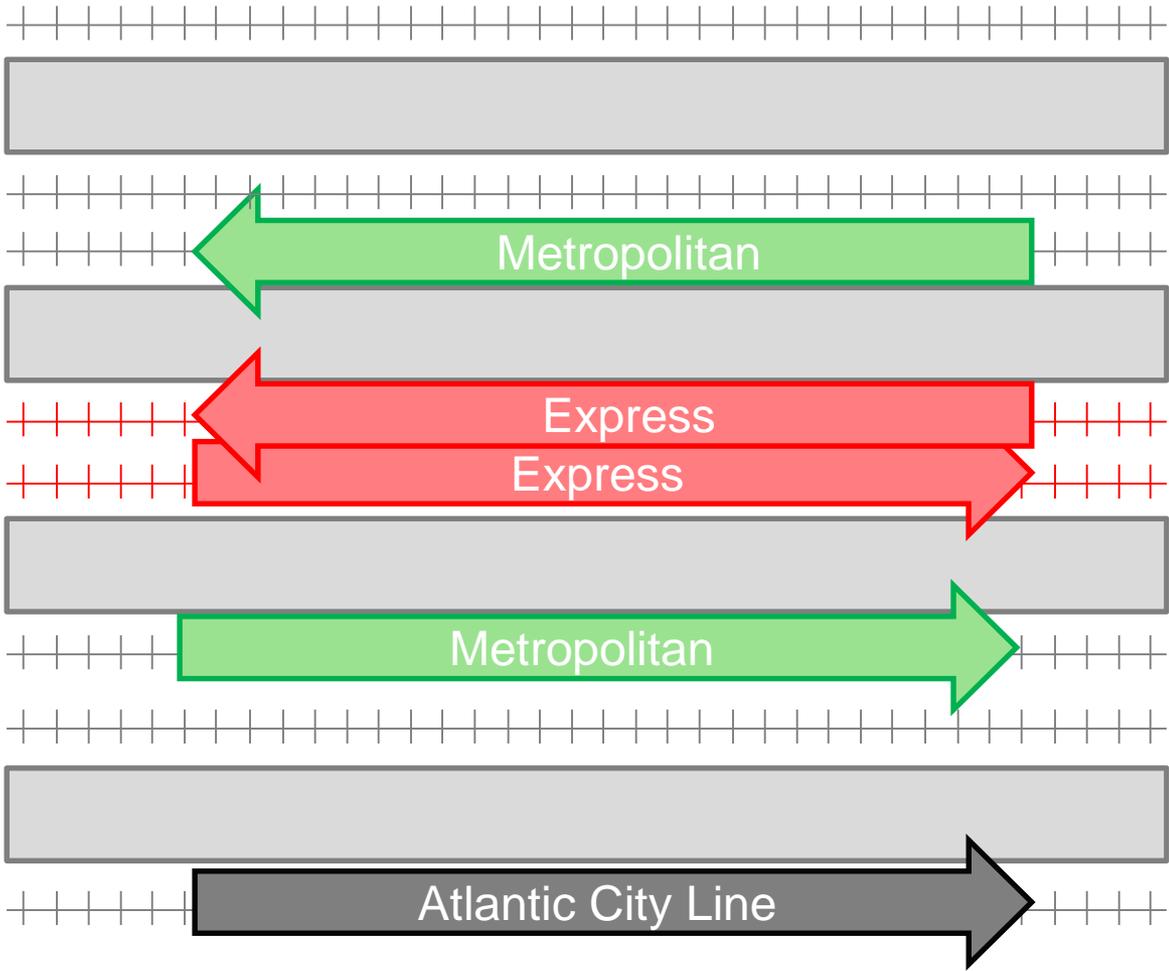
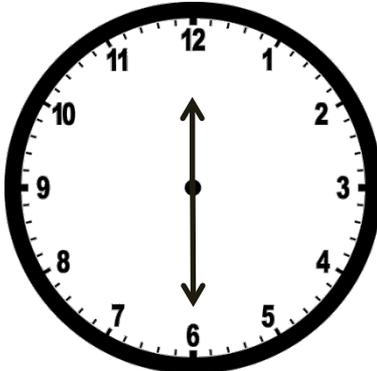
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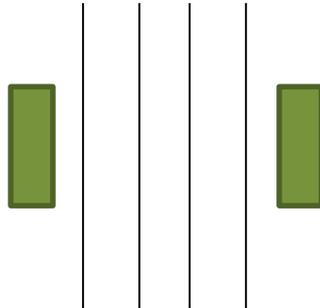
# Infrastructure Specification

## Examples:

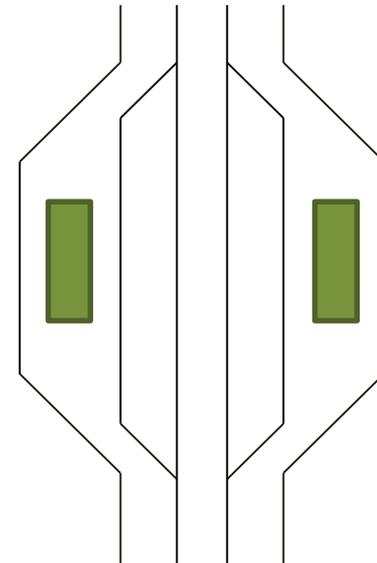
- Number of mainline tracks to support service
- Station Configurations
- Type of junctions
- Rolling stock requirements

## How service drives infrastructure:

Existing Configuration



Future Configuration



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