

OpenTripPlanner

Past, Present and the Future

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About me



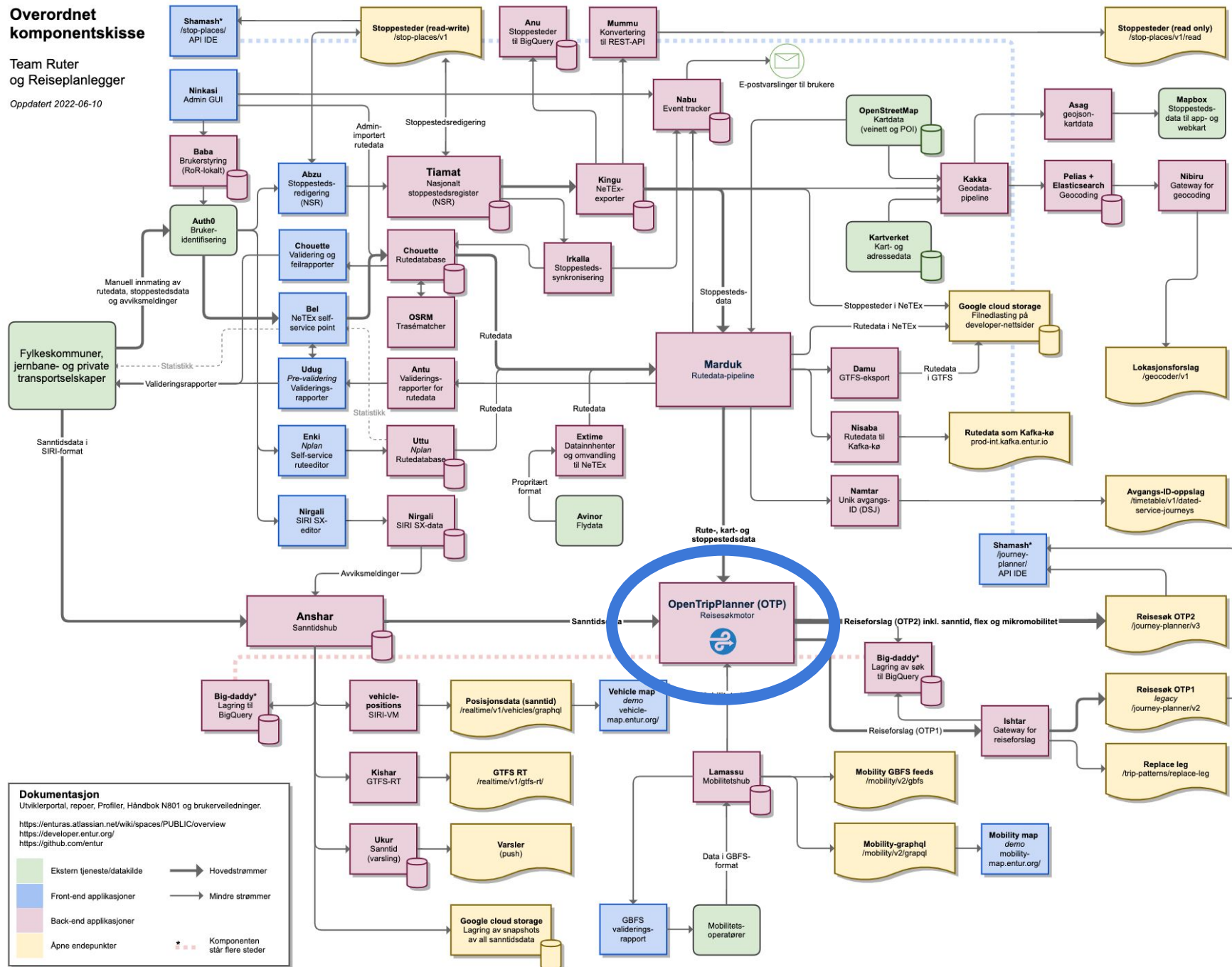
Tinkered with OTP since ~2011

- City of Helsinki 2014
- Helsinki Region Transport & Digitransit 2015–2018
- Kyyti 2020
- Entur 2021–

Overordnet komponentskisse

Team Ruter og Reiseplanlegger

Oppdatert 2022-06-10



Agenda

Past — OpenTripPlanner 1

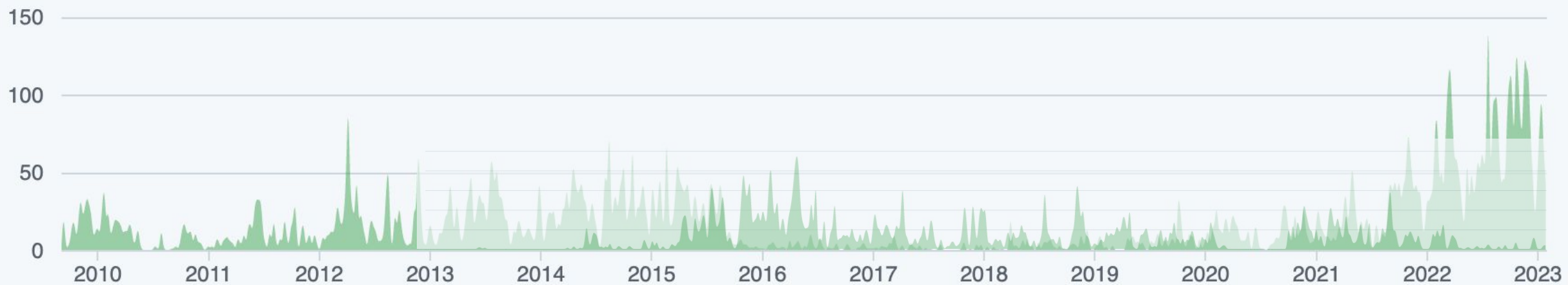
Present — OpenTripPlanner 2

- How it works
- New features
- Sandbox extensions
- Simplified setup

Future — Roadmap



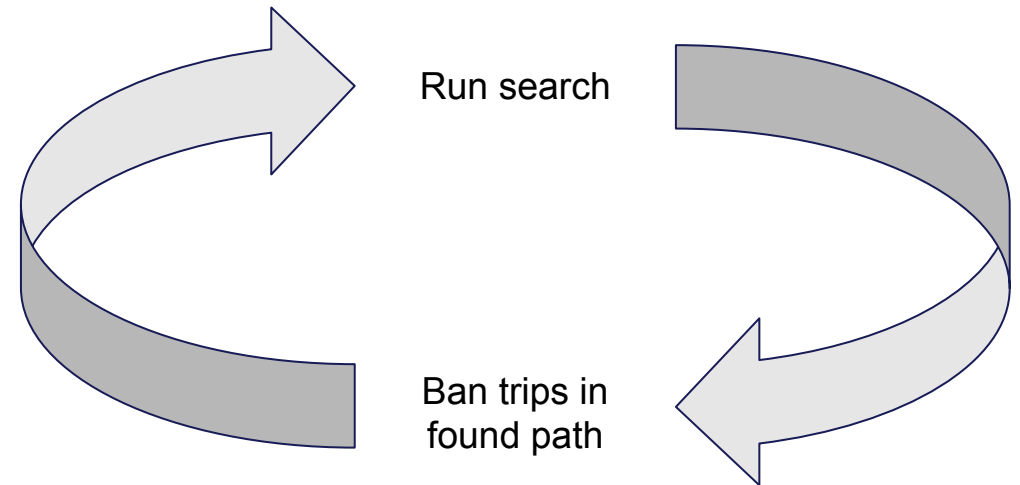
Past



Pain points with OTP 1

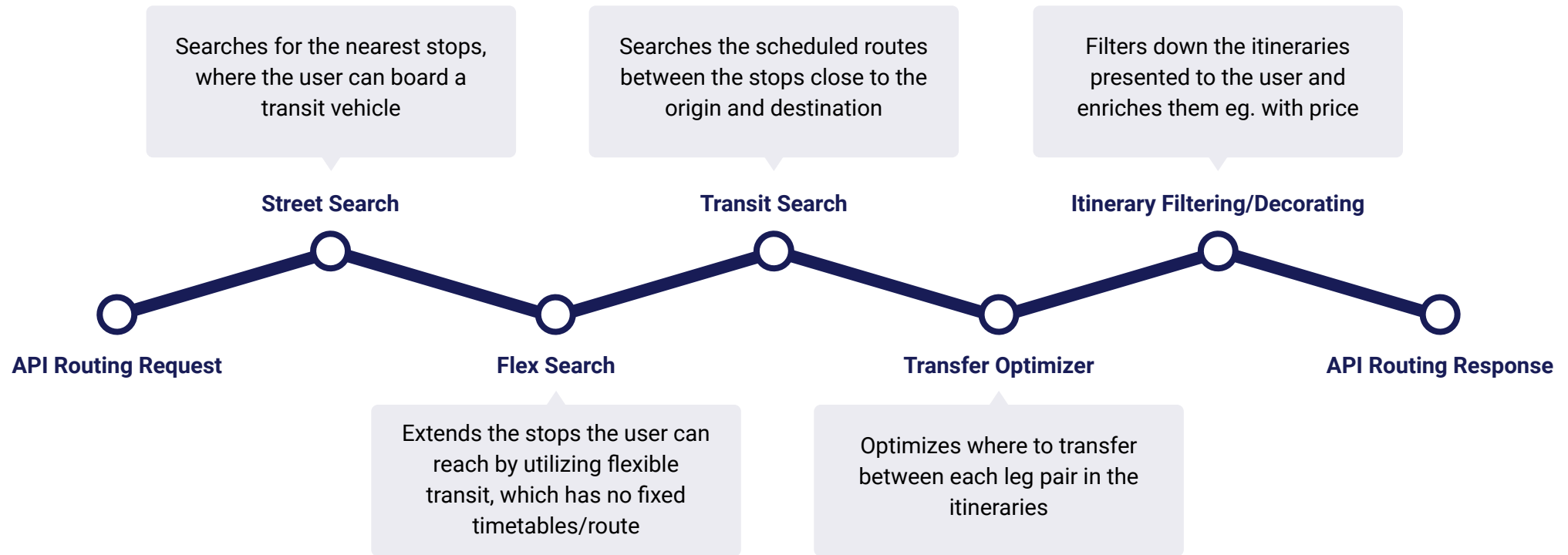
Time-dependent A* search with trip banning

- Insufficient performance for nationwide deployments
- Focus on research capabilities
 - Solved by split into OTP and R5
- Lack of architectural vision and focus
- Fragmented development
 - Each organization had its own fork



Present

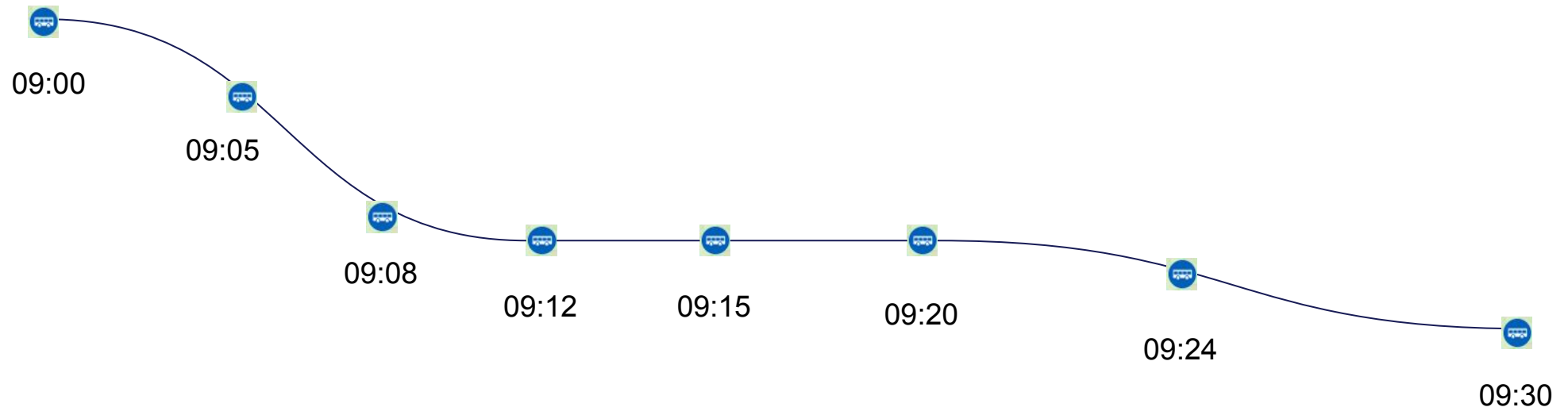
OTP Routing Process



Street Search

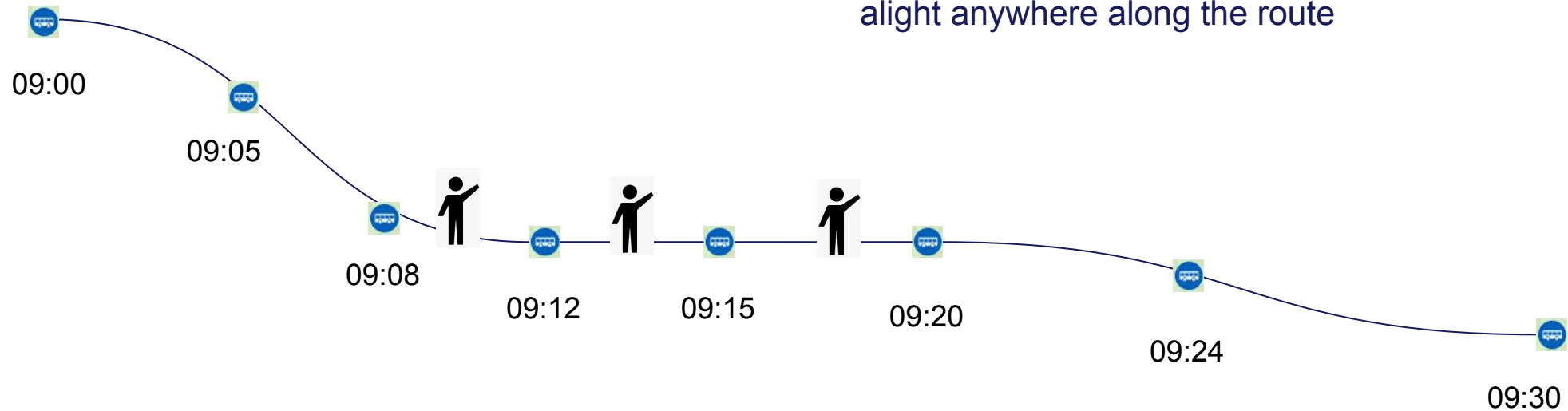


Fixed Route

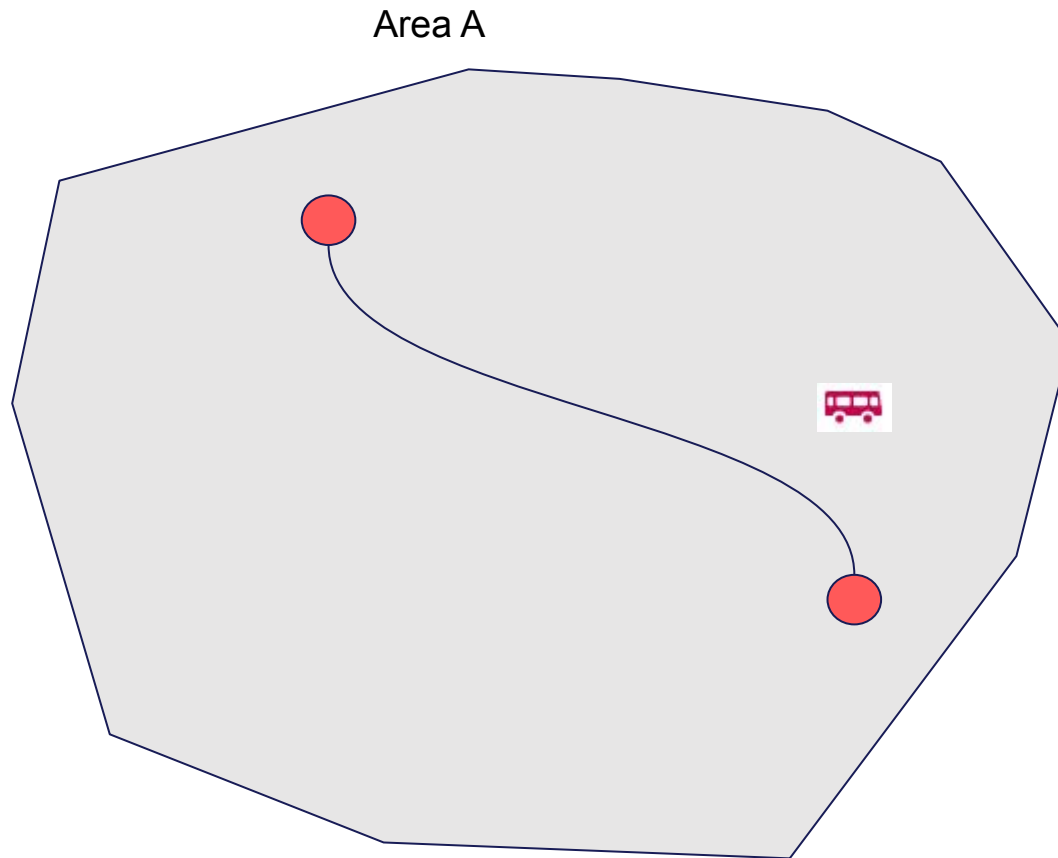


Hail and Ride Sections

- Fixed route and schedule
- Between stops **3** and **6**, you can board or alight anywhere along the route



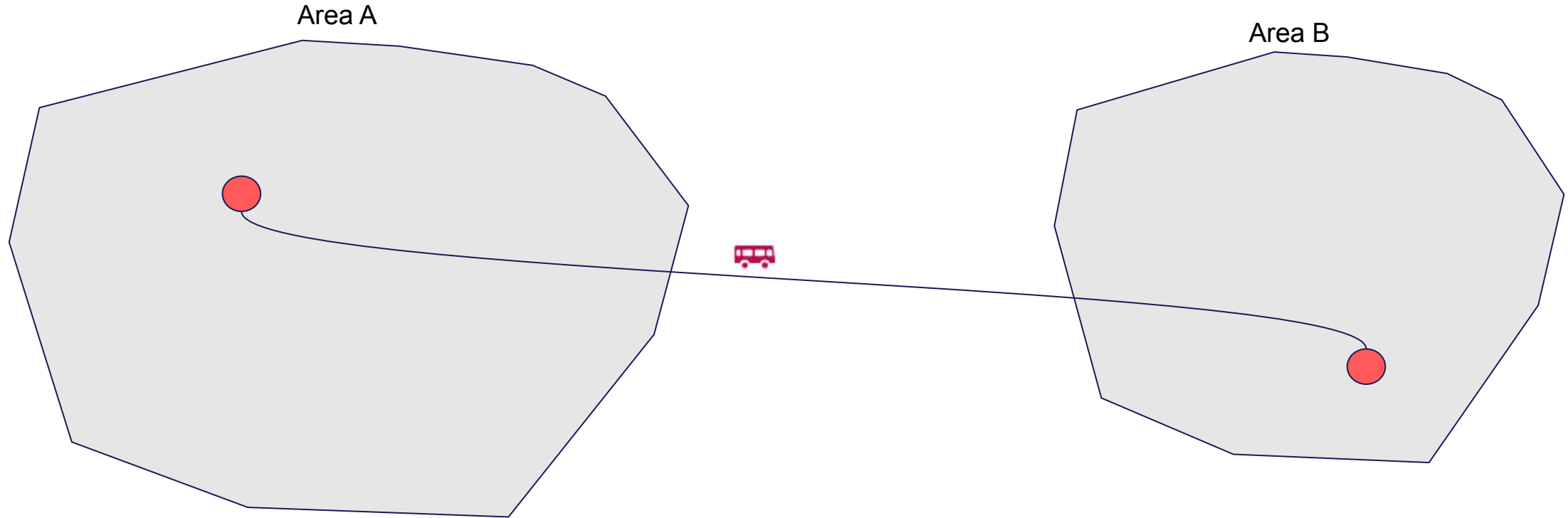
Flexible Areas



- Door to door anywhere within a service area

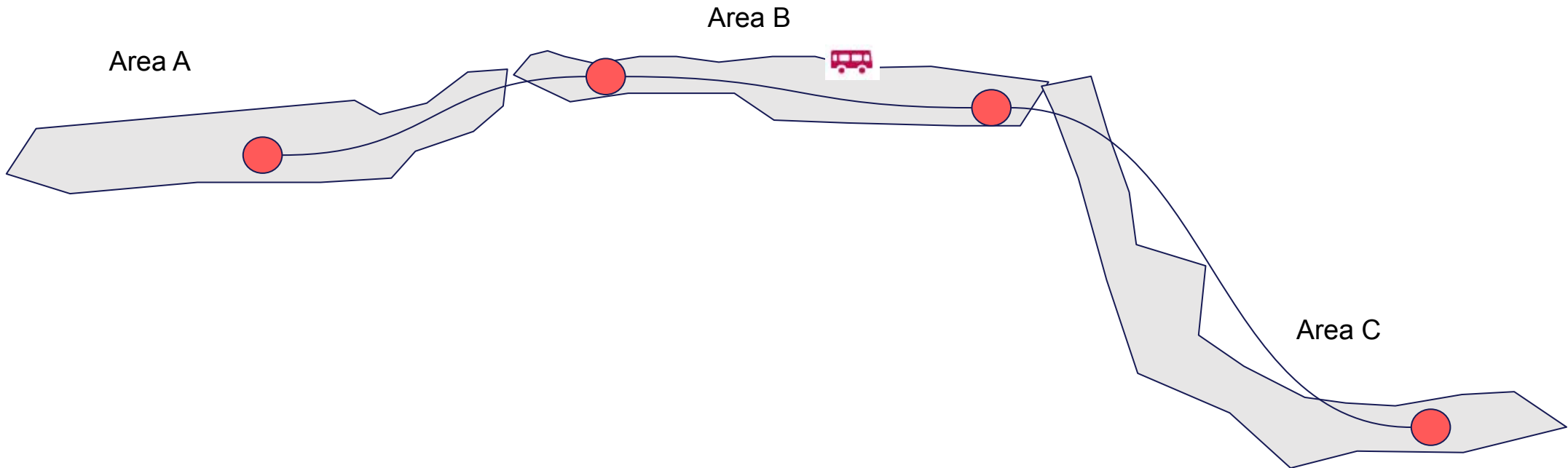
Flexible Areas

- One area for boarding and another for alighting



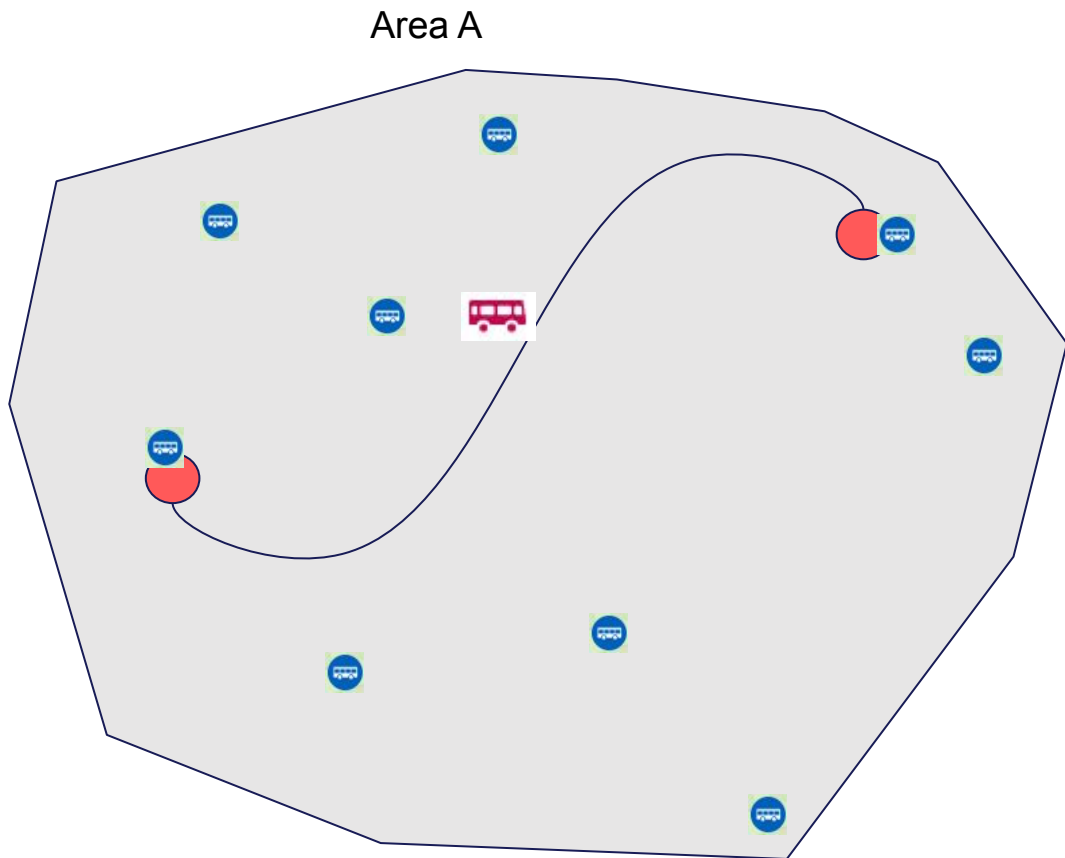
Flexible Areas

- Any number of areas, some with only boarding some with only alighting



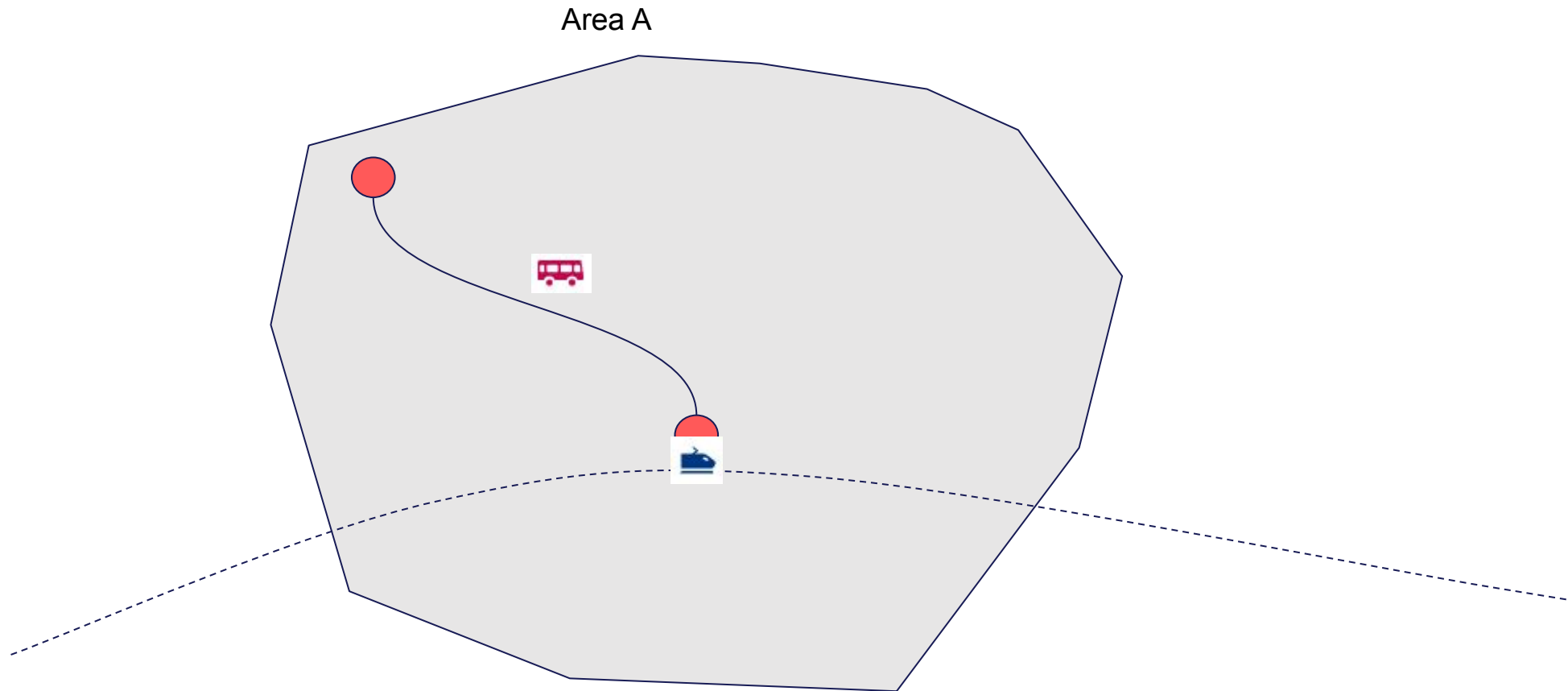
Fixed Stops in an Area

- Stop to stop within an area

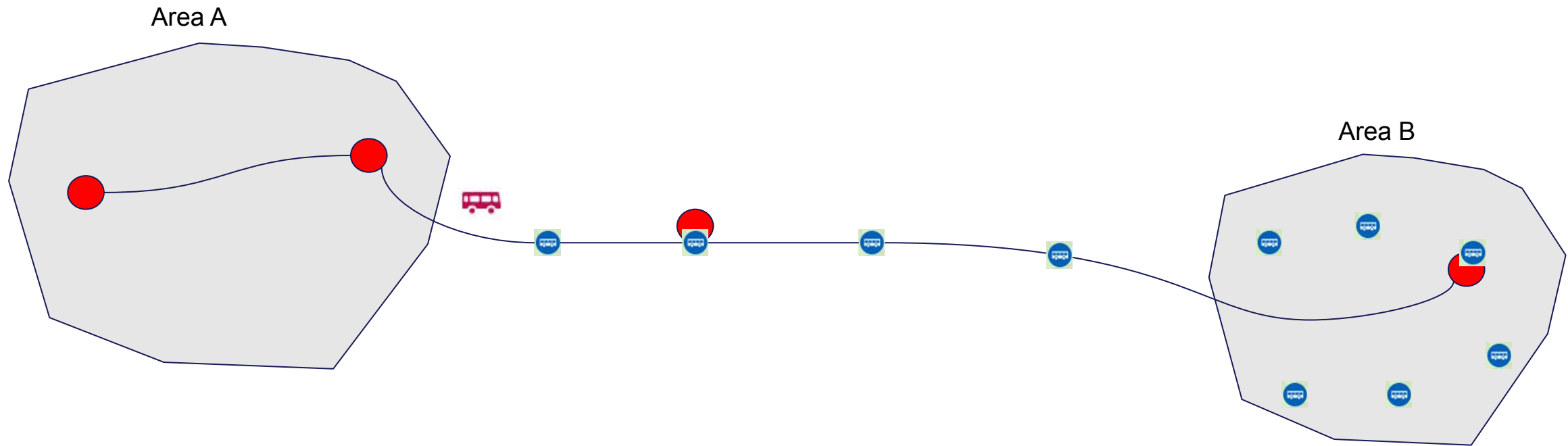


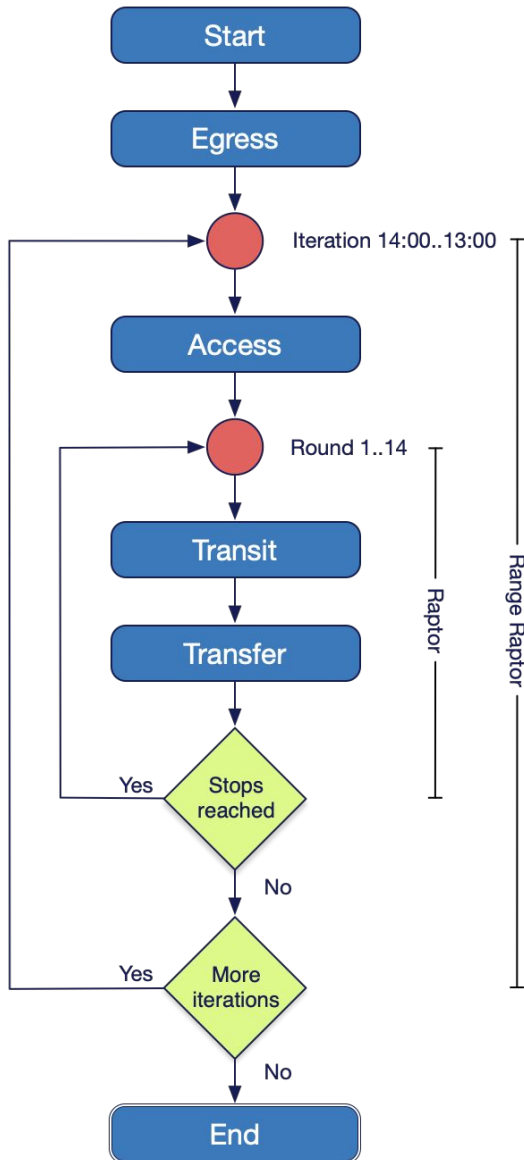
Feeder services

- Area to stop and vice versa



Complex services

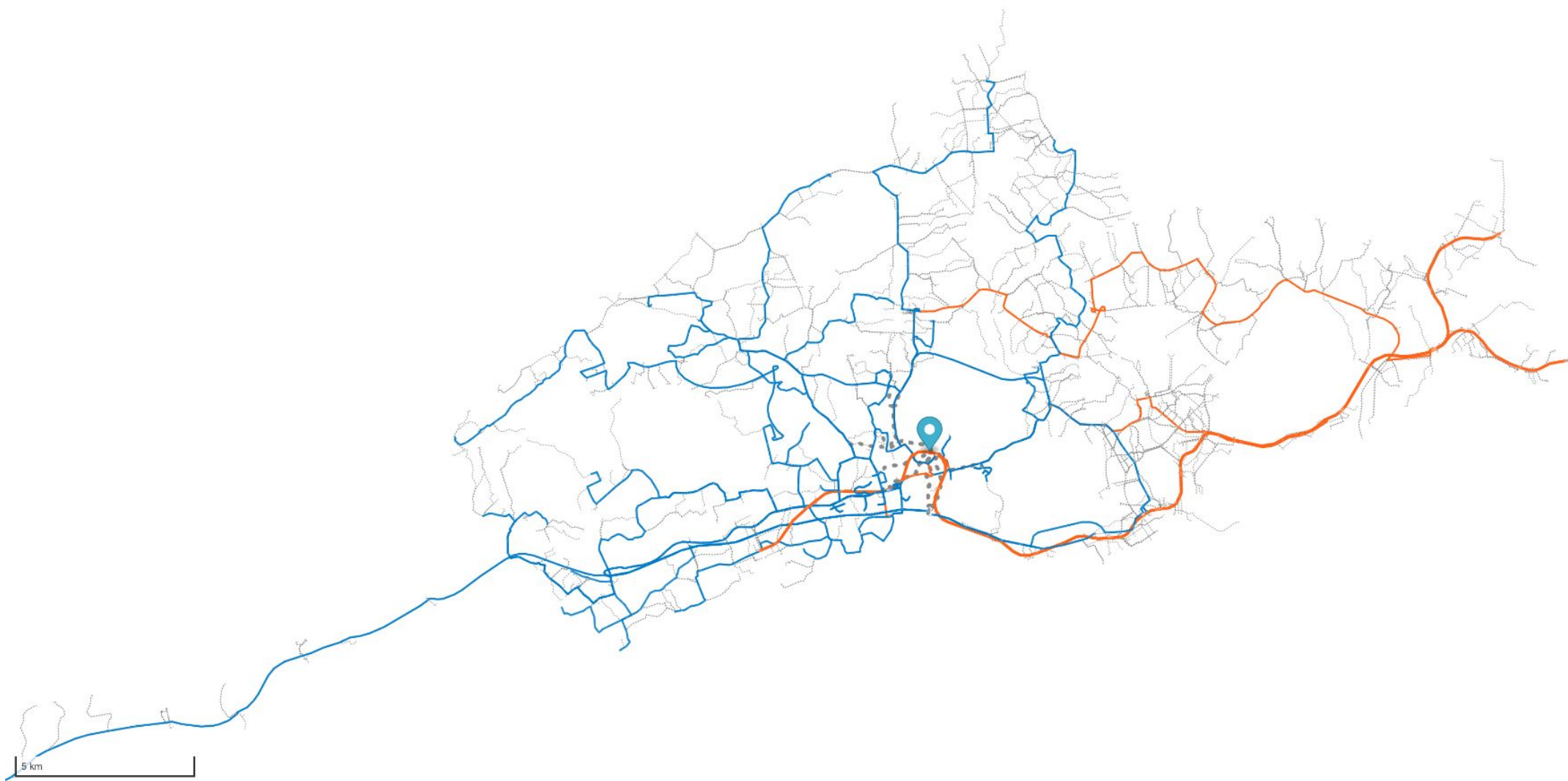




Raptor

- **Raptor** works in rounds
 - Implicit graph model using memory layout
 - One round for each transit trip & transfer
 - Exploring the transit network following transit routes.
 - Find all pareto optimal paths by
 - [*Arrival time* | *Number of transfers*] – Given *departure time*
- **Range Raptor**
 - Iterates backwards over **departure time** within a **search window**
 - Only explores new trips not reached by previous rounds
 - Pareto optimal by
 - [*Departure time* | *Arrival time* | *Number of transfers*]
- **Multi-criteria Range Raptor**
 - One or more additional criteria – with **performance penalty**
 - Pareto optimal by
 - [*Departure time* | *Arrival time* | *Number of transfers* | *Generalized cost*]











State	Transit Strategy	Search direction	Optimization	Result	Response time
Standard	Standard	Forward	-	Paths [time, transfers]	66 ms
Standard	Standard	Reverse	-	Paths [time, transfers]	68 ms
BestTime	Standard	Forward	-	Best time & hops, No paths	63 ms
BestTime	Standard	Reverse	-	Best time & hops, No paths	60 ms
Standard	NoWait	Forward	1 iteration	Paths [time, transfers]	49 ms
Standard	NoWait	Reverse	1 iteration	Paths [time, transfers]	48 ms
BestTime	NoWait	Forward	1 iteration	Best time & hops, No paths	41 ms
BestTime	NoWait	Reverse	1 iteration	Best time & hops, No paths	37 ms
MC	MC	Forward	-	Paths [time, transfers, cost]	508 ms
MC	MC	Forward	Heuristic Destination Check	Paths [time, transfers, cost]	320 ms

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Samples

Search
Window
2 - 20 h

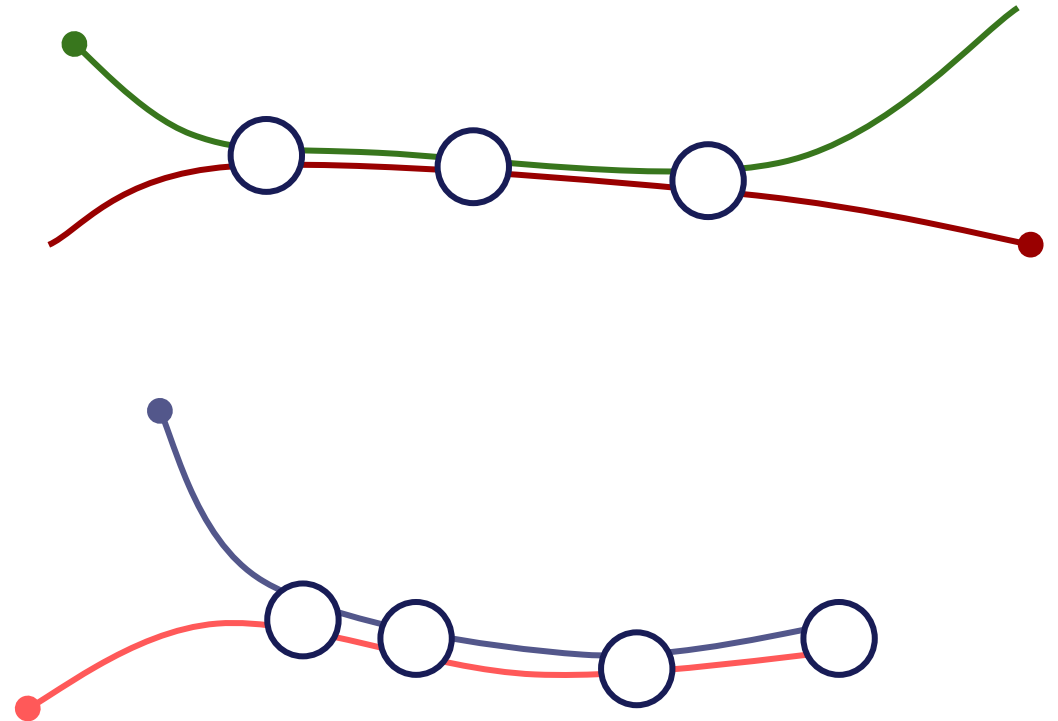
Dataset
Norway

Transfer optimization

Where to transfer between a pair of trips?

- Transfer priority cost
 - Station transfer priority*
 - Guaranteed transfers
 - In-seat transfers
- Optimal wait time
 - Avoid very short transfer times*
 - Avoid back-travel*

* Not in raptor

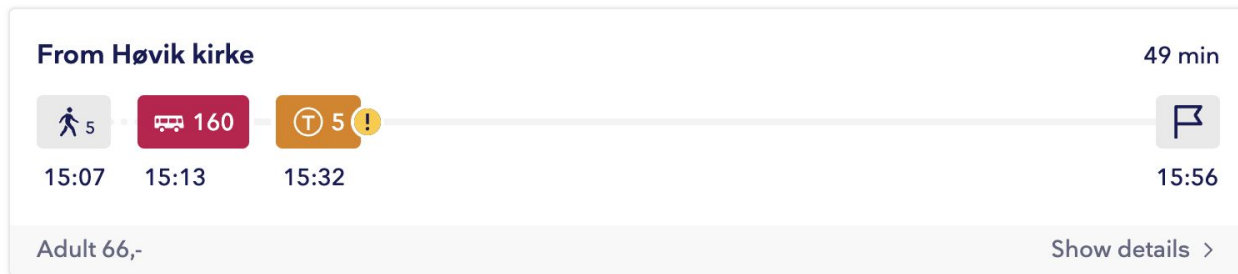


Itinerary Filtering & Decorating

From Høvik kirke 49 min

15:07 15:13 15:32 15:56

Adult 66,- Show details >

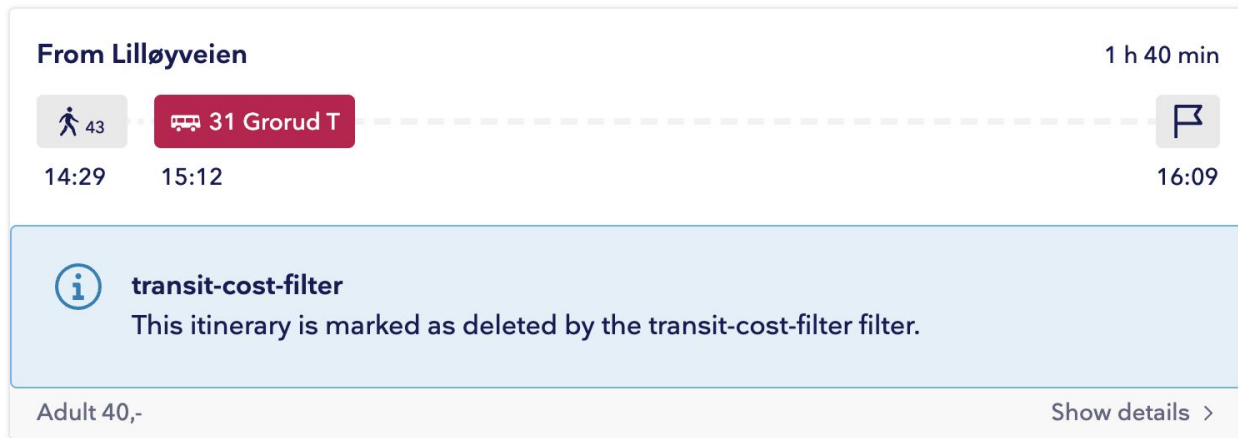


From Lilløyveien 1 h 40 min

14:29 15:12 16:09

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transit-cost-filter
This itinerary is marked as deleted by the transit-cost-filter filter.

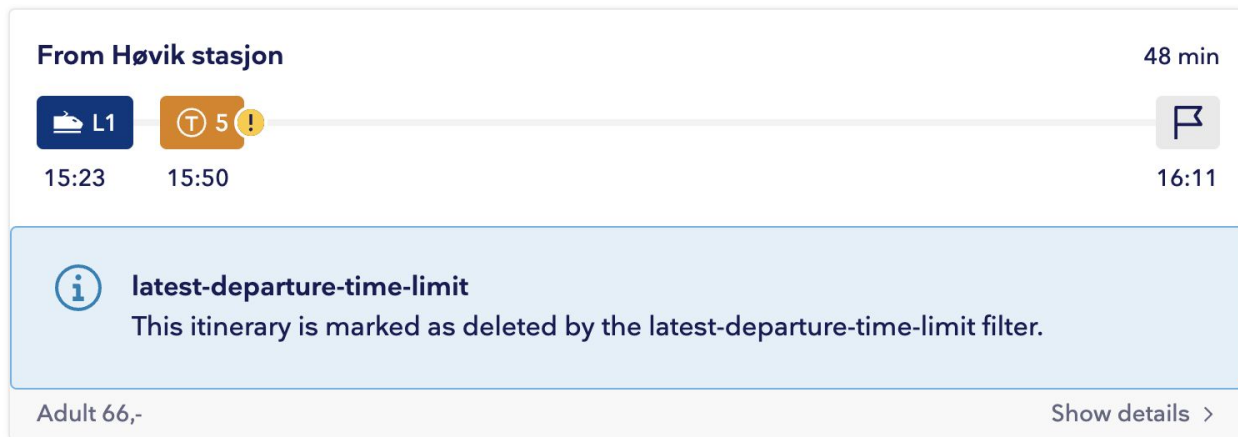


From Høvik stasjon 48 min

15:23 15:50 16:11

Adult 66,- Show details >

latest-departure-time-limit
This itinerary is marked as deleted by the latest-departure-time-limit filter.



- Limit the number of results
 - Worse but optimal results
 - Grouping too similar results
 - Park & ride, where the car is parked almost immediately
- Decorate results
 - Real-time alerts
 - Price calculation
- Sorting of results

NeTEx–GTFS

- New internal data model independent of the import format
 - OTP 1 used GTFS POJOs internally
- New entities from NeTEx not existing in GTFS

Different formats have different benefits

- GTFS
 - Easy to produce and consume
 - YAGNI — Requires producer and consumer before appending spec
- Netex
 - Much more complex and nuanced
 - Caters for almost all use cases

Sandbox extensions

- New feature in OTP 2 for code not suited for core
- Extremely successful, currently 22 extensions
 - New APIs
 - GraphQL
 - Travel time
 - Vector tiles
 - New data formats
 - Data overlay
 - SIRI
 - New functionality under development
 - GTFS-Fares v2
 - GTFS-Flex v2
 - Deployment-specific code
 - Non-GBFS vehicle rental updaters
 - Cloud integrations

GraphQL APIs

Two APIs with different vocabularies

- GTFS
- Transmodel

The screenshot displays the ENTUR GraphQL Playground interface. The left pane shows a GraphQL query for a trip from 'Bjerkealleen 5A, Skedsmo' to 'Alna, Oslo'. The right pane shows the resulting JSON data, which includes trip patterns with details like duration, distance, and legs. A third pane on the right lists the schema fields for the trip query.

```
1 {
2   trip(
3     from: {
4       name: "Bjerkealleen 5A, Skedsmo"
5       coordinates: {
6         latitude: 59.96050414081307
7         longitude: 11.040338686322317
8       }
9     }
10    to: {
11      place: "NSR:StopPlace:385"
12      name: "Alna, Oslo"
13    }
14    numTripPatterns: 3
15    dateTime: "2022-10-27T13:29:39.173+02:00"
16    walkSpeed: 1.3
17    arriveBy: false
18  )
19 }
20
21 ### Requested fields
22 {
23   tripPatterns {
24     expectedStartTime
25     duration
26     walkDistance
27     legs {
28       mode
29       distance
30       line {
31         id
32         publicCode
33       }
34     }
35   }
36 }
37 }
```

```
{
  "data": {
    "trip": {
      "tripPatterns": [
        {
          "expectedStartTime": "2022-10-27T13:42:34+02:00",
          "duration": 2066,
          "walkDistance": 754.46,
          "legs": [
            {
              "mode": "foot",
              "distance": 597.51,
              "line": null
            },
            {
              "mode": "bus",
              "distance": 1182.64,
              "line": {
                "id": "RUT:Line:110",
                "publicCode": "110"
              }
            },
            {
              "mode": "foot",
              "distance": 156.95,
              "line": null
            },
            {
              "mode": "rail",
              "distance": 12215.5,
              "line": {
                "id": "NSB:Line:L1",
                "publicCode": "L1"
              }
            }
          ]
        },
        {
          "expectedStartTime": "2022-10-27T13:38:01+02:00",
          "duration": 2339,
          "walkDistance": 1126.93,
          "legs": [

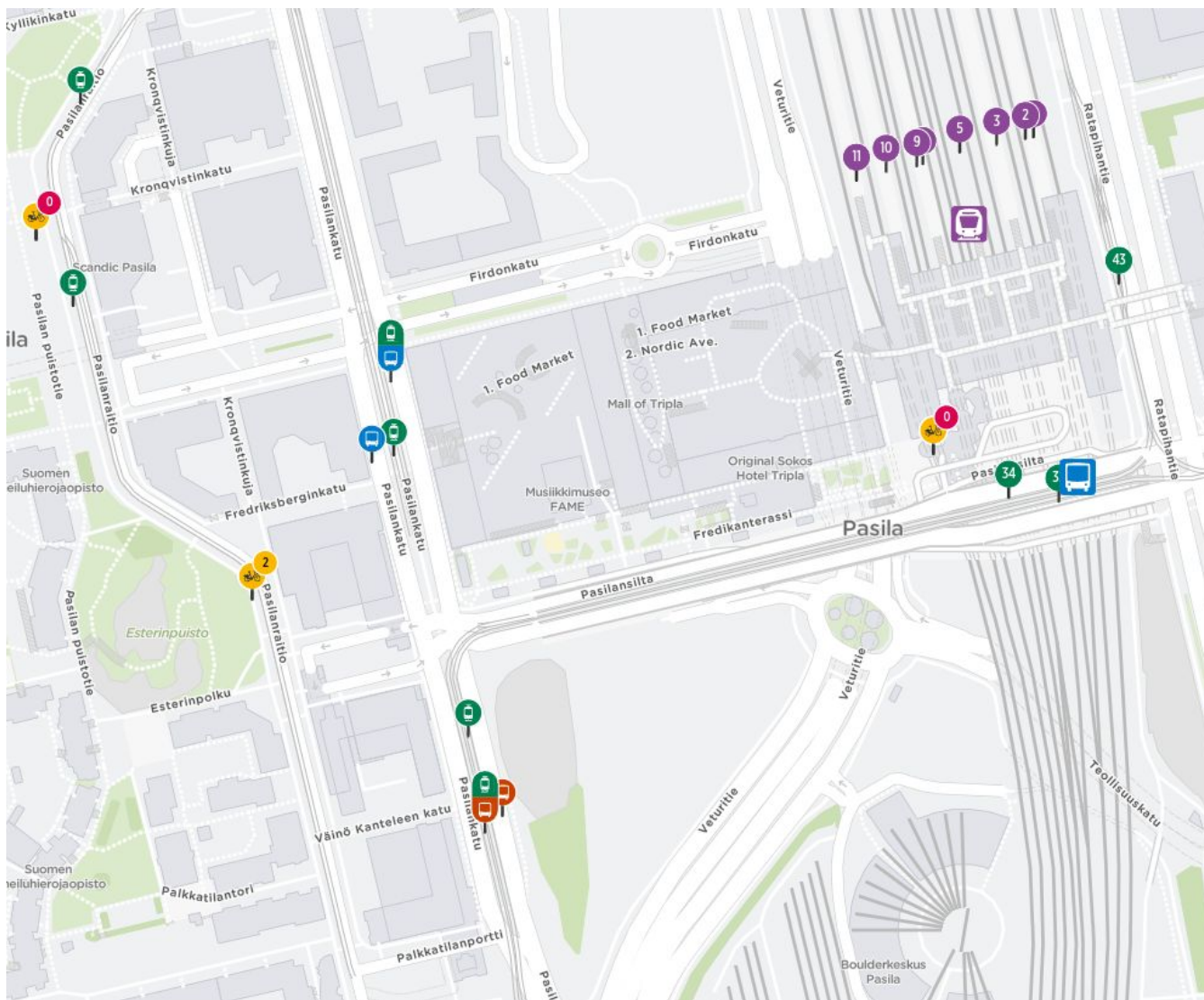
```

Schema Fields:

```
trip(
  dateTime: DateTime
  searchWindow: Int
  pageCursor: String
  timetableView: Boolean
  from: Location!
  to: Location!
  arriveBy: Boolean = false
  wheelchairAccessible: Boolean = false
  ignoreRealtimeUpdates: Boolean = false
  includePlannedCancellations: Boolean = false
  locale: Locale = no
  modes: Modes
  banned: InputBanned
  whiteListed: InputWhiteListed
  walkSpeed: Float = 1.3
  walkReluctance: Float = 4
  waitReluctance: Float = 1
  bikeSpeed: Float = 5
  bicycleOptimisationMethod: BicycleOptimisationMethod
  triangleFactors: TriangleFactors
  useBikeRentalAvailabilityInformation: Boolean = false
  transferPenalty: Int = 0
  transferSlack: Int = 120
  boardSlackDefault: Int = 0
  boardSlackList: [TransportModeSlack]
  alightSlackDefault: Int = 0
  alightSlackList: [TransportModeSlack]
  numTripPatterns: Int = 12
  maximumTransfers: Int = 12
  debugItineraryFilter: Boolean = false
  itineraryFilters: ItineraryFilters
  extraSearchCoachReluctance: Float
): Trip!
```

Input type for executing a travel search for a trip by describing suggested alternatives for the trip.

QUERY VARIABLES: journey-planner-v3: <https://api.staging.entur.io/journey-planner/v3/graphql>

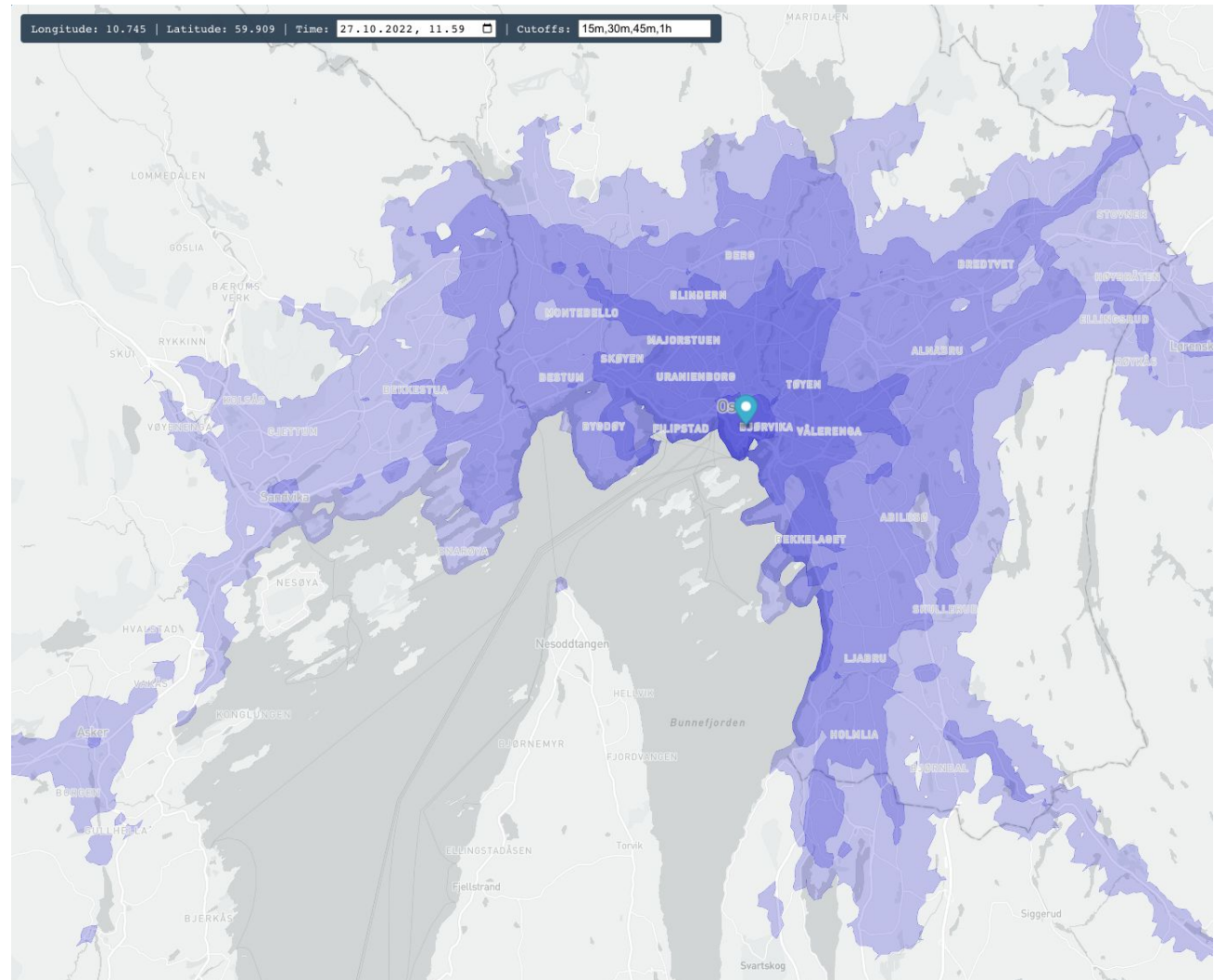


Vector tiles

- Mapbox vector tile format
- Multiple layer types available
 - Stops & stations
 - Rental stations & vehicles
 - Car and bike parking
- Configurable mapping from internal model to tile layer
 - Real-time info
 - Multilingual

Travel time analysis

- Requested feature from OTP 1
- Two output formats
 - GeoJSON — isochrones
 - GeoTIFF — travel time rasters
- Configurable street & transit modes



Simplified operations

- Abstracted data sources
 - Local file system
 - HTTPS
 - Cloud storage services
 - GCP storage
 - Azure blob storage
 - AWS S3 (open PR pending somebody using it)
- All input and output paths can be configured
 - Data can be read from or written to an data source
- Improved monitoring support
 - Prometheus endpoint

Graph Build Configuration

<https://docs.opentripplanner.org/en/dev-2.x/BuildConfiguration/>

This table lists all the JSON properties that can be defined in a `build-config.json` file. These will be stored in the graph itself, and affect any server that subsequently loads that graph. Sections follow that describe particular settings in more depth.

Parameters Overview

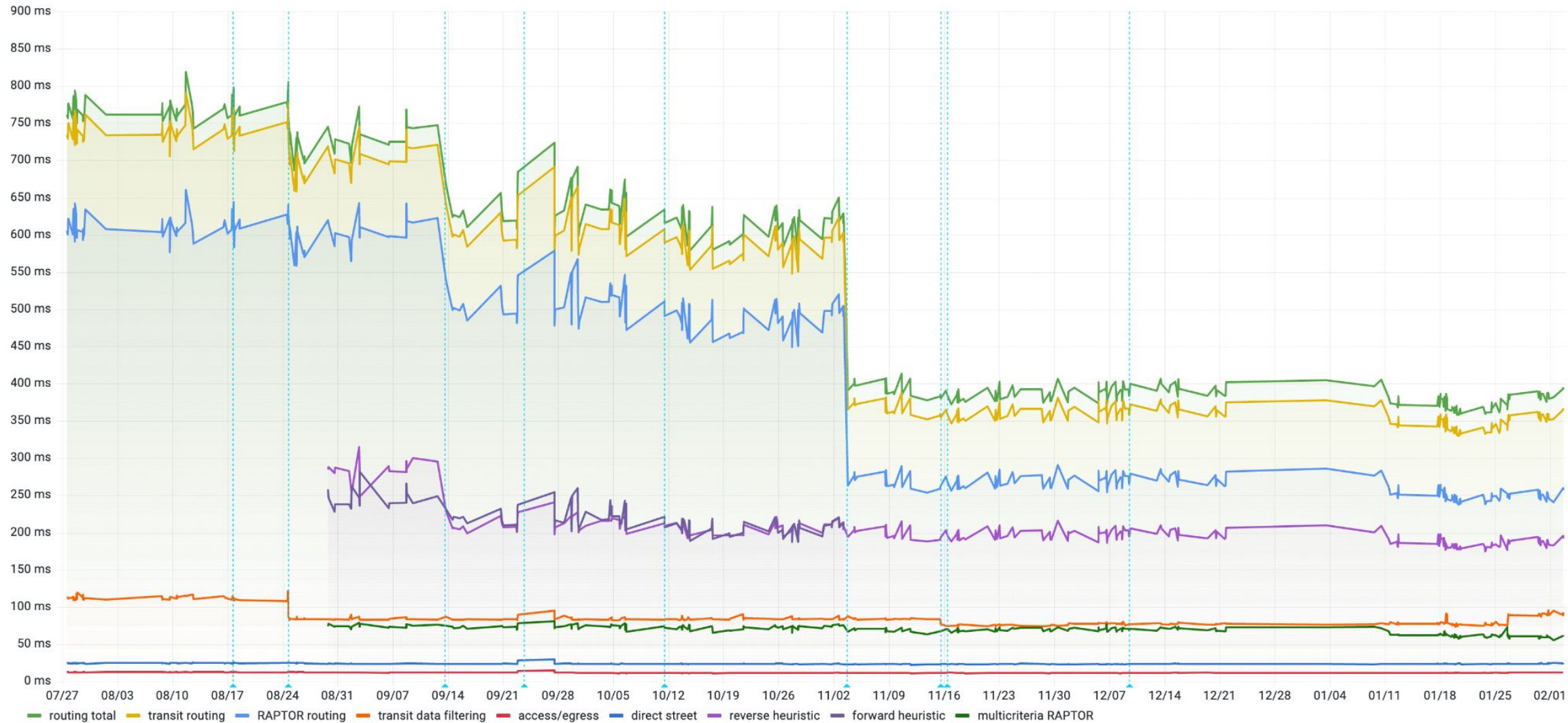
Config Parameter	Type	Summary	Req./Opt.	Default Value	Since
areaVisibility	boolean	Perform visibility calculations.	Optional	false	1.5
banDiscouragedBiking	boolean	Should biking be allowed on OSM ways tagged with <code>bicycle=discouraged</code>	Optional	false	2.0
banDiscouragedWalking	boolean	Should walking be allowed on OSM ways tagged with <code>foot=discouraged</code>	Optional	false	2.0
blockBasedInterlining	boolean	Whether to create stay-seated transfers in between two trips with the same block id.	Optional	true	2.2
buildReportDir	uri	URI to the directory where the graph build report should be written to.	Optional		2.0
configVersion	string	Deployment version of the <i>build-config.json</i> .	Optional		2.1
dataImportReport	boolean	Generate nice HTML report of Graph errors/warnings	Optional	false	2.0
discardMinTransferTimes	boolean	Should minimum transfer times in GTFS files be discarded	Optional	false	2.2

```
//build-config.json
{
  "transitModelTimeZone": "Europe/Brussels",
  "osmCacheDataInMem": "true",
  "osm": [
    {
      "source": "https://download.geofabrik.de/europe/belgium-latest.osm.pbf",
      "osmTagMapping": "germany"
    }
  ],
  "transitFeeds": [
    {
      "type": "gtfs",
      "feedId": "NMBS",
      "source": "http://gtfs.irail.be/nmbs/gtfs/latest.zip"
    },
    {
      "type": "gtfs",
      "feedId": "LIJN",
      "source": "http://gtfs.irail.be/de-lijn/de_lijn-gtfs.zip"
    },
    {
      "type": "gtfs",
      "feedId": "TEC",
      "source": "https://gtfs.irail.be/tec/tec-gtfs.zip"
    },
    {
      "type": "gtfs",
      "feedId": "MIVB",
      "source": "https://gtfs.irail.be/mivb/mivb-gtfs.zip"
    }
  ]
}
```

Future

Performance

baden-wuerttemberg: speed test mean values for category 'transit'



Competition neutrality

- New Raptor criteria
- Fixed size bitset for used authority/operator group
- Operator 1, departure from A at 18:00, arrival at B at 21:00
- Operator 2, departure from A at 18:01, arrival at B at 20:59
- => Only operator 2 is showing up

Unified GraphQL API

- Currently two GraphQL APIs and one REST API
 - Deprecate REST API
- New unified GraphQL API
 - One structure
 - Two dialects, GTFS and Transmodel
 - Use translation file go from internal model to API

ENTUR

Useful links

- <https://www.opentripplanner.org/>
- <https://docs.opentripplanner.org/en/dev-2.x/>
- <https://github.com/opentripplanner/OpenTripPlanner>
- <https://gitter.im/opentripplanner/OpenTripPlanner>
- <https://otp-performance.leonard.io/>