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Collaborative Project

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ON-TIME Real-Time Traffic Management of Minor Perturbations

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What does WP4 do?

- Real-time perturbation management in case of small delays
- Control measures
  - Re-order trains
  - Re-route trains
  - Re-time trains
  - Cancel or add non-commercial stops (operational stops)
- *No interaction* with RU necessary
- Mainly *automatic* decisions

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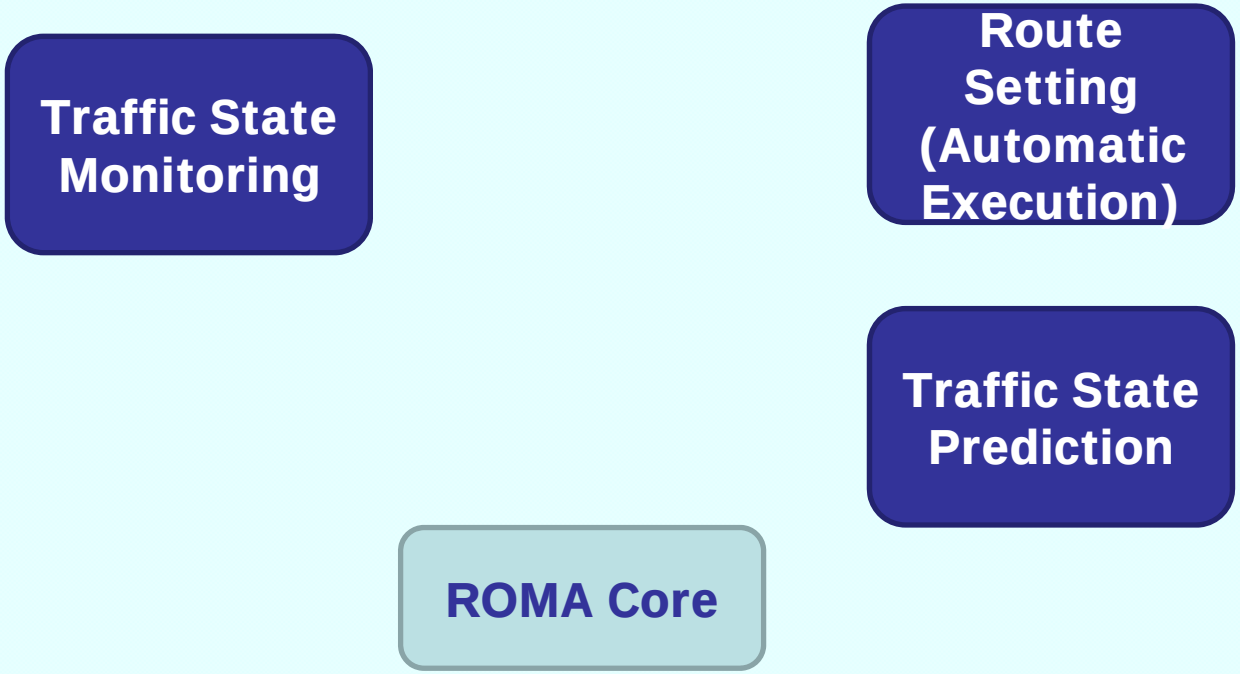
Modular design

- Different modules from different universities
- Different aspects of railway traffic control



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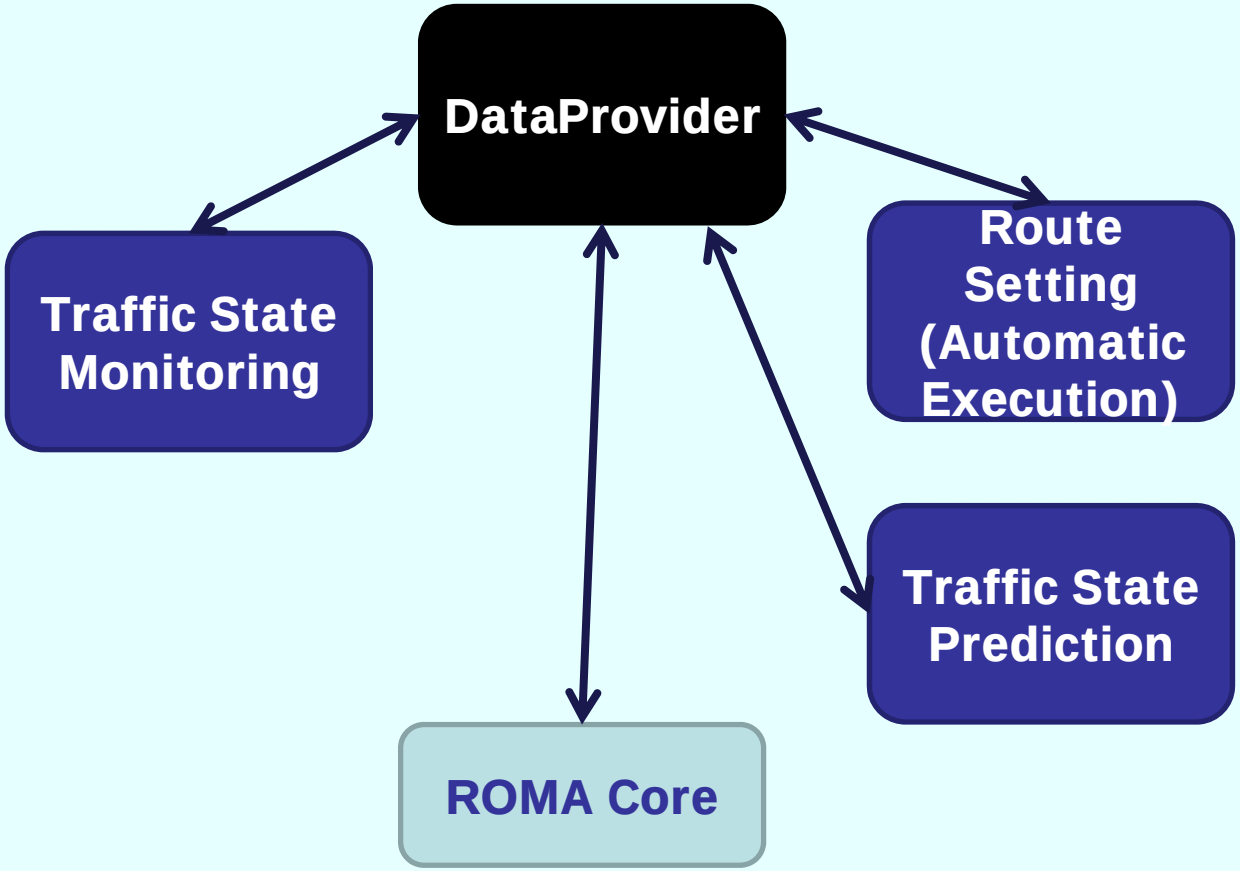
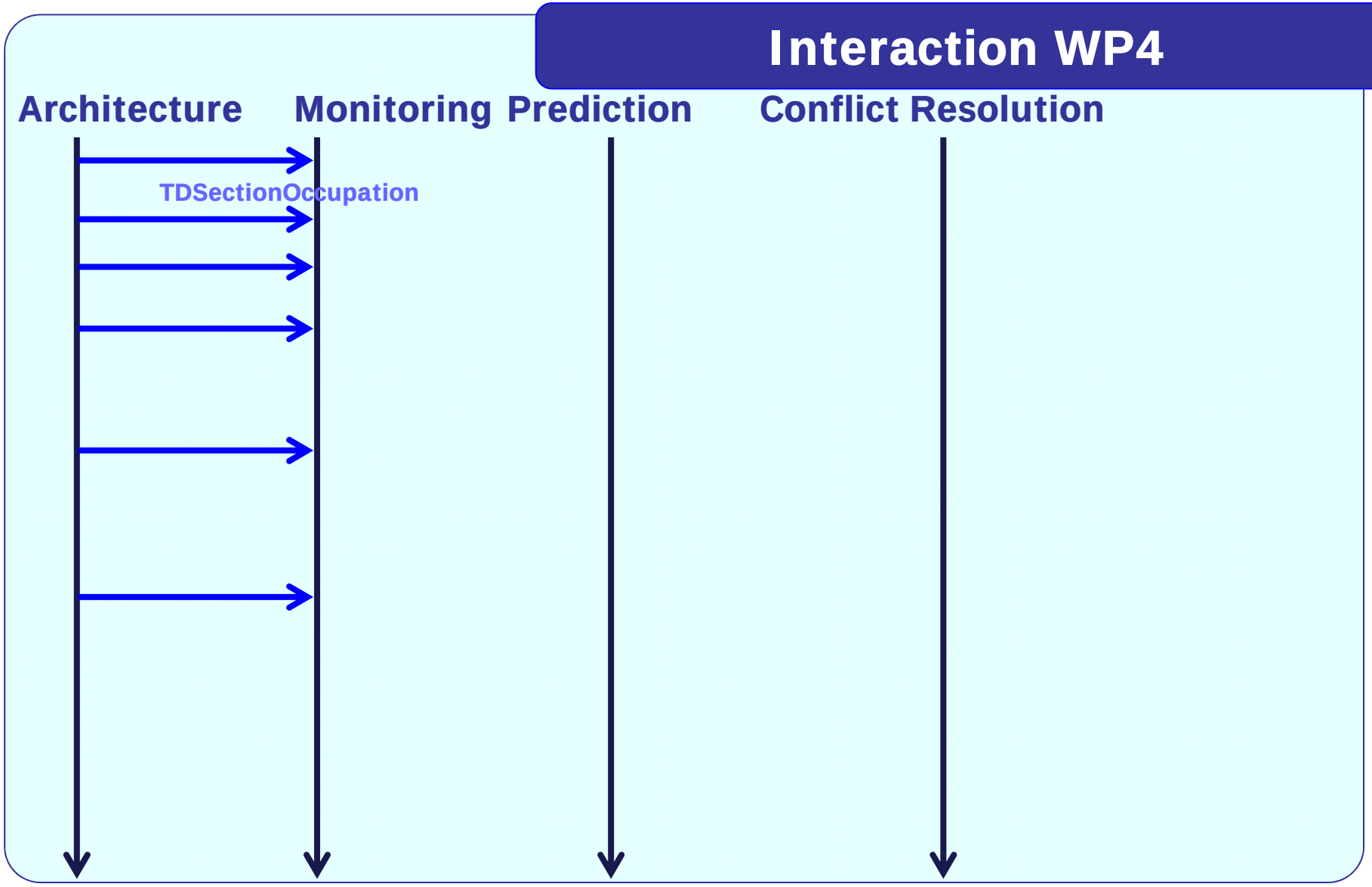
Data exchange architecture

- Service-Oriented-Architecture
- Publish/ Subscribe Services



Interaction WP4



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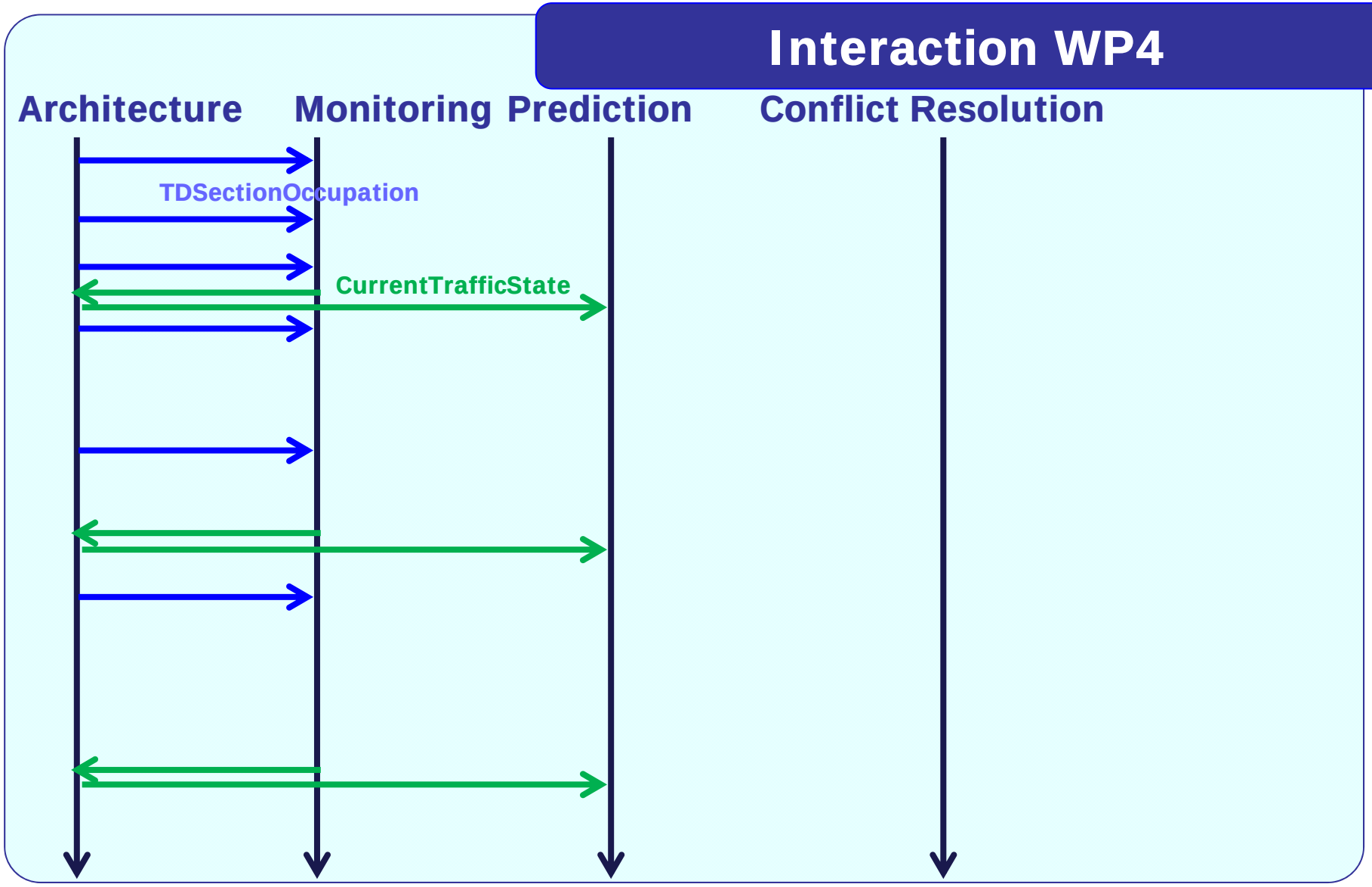

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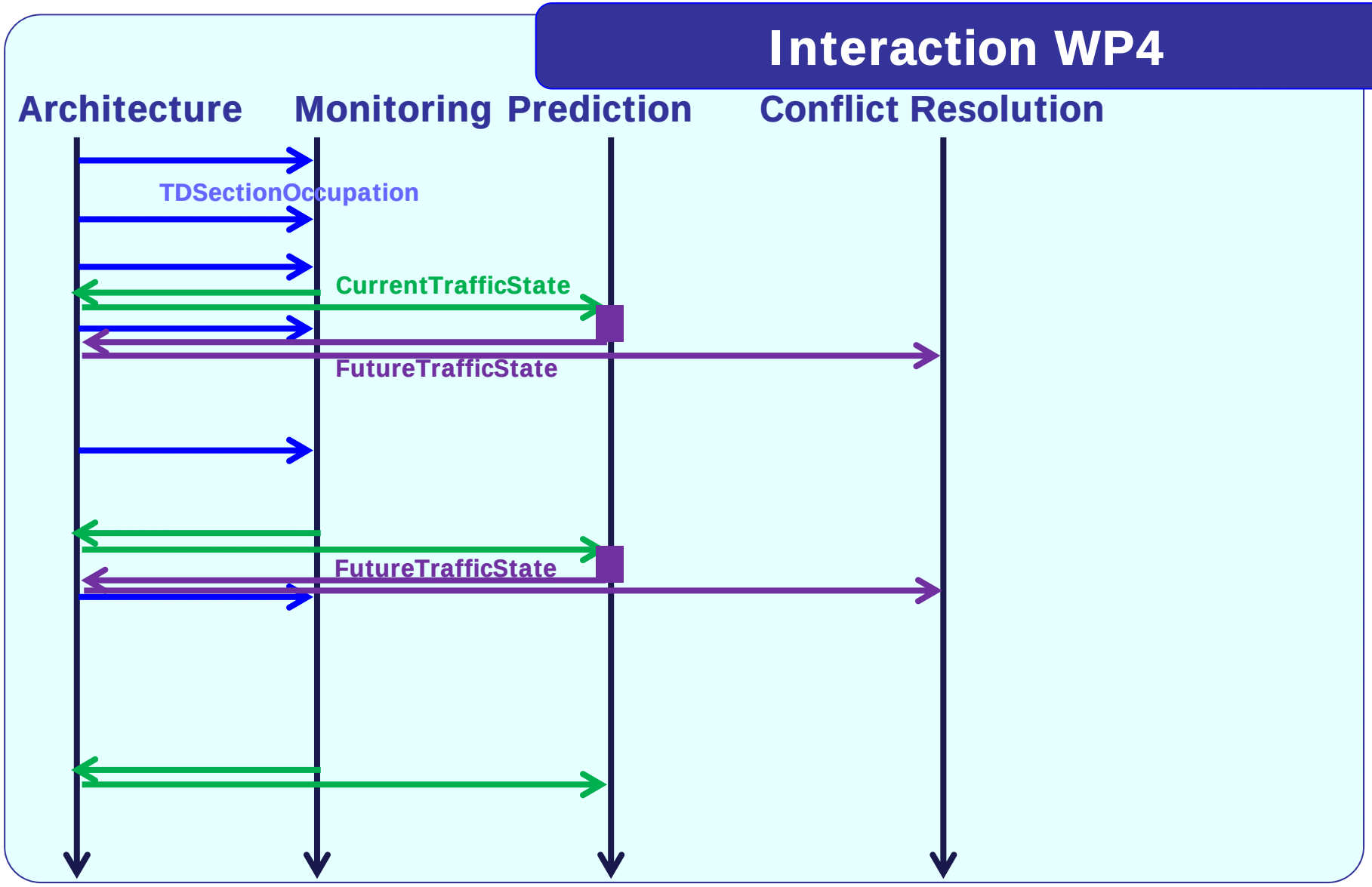


CDR

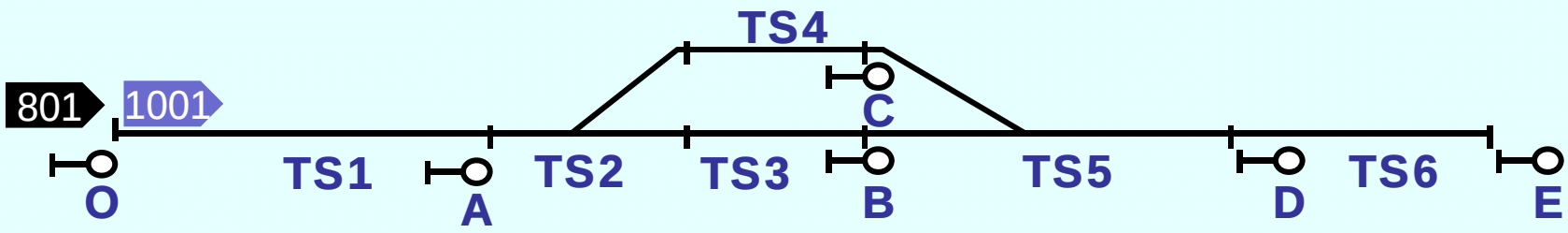
- Different models, classes of algorithms, and programming languages
- Implemented CDR approaches
  - **ROMA**: Alternative Graph Approach, B&B Solution (TU Delft)
  - **RECIFE**: MILP (IFSTTAR)
  - **DEJRM**: Evolutionary Algorithm (UoB)
- All algorithms extended and adapted to work with the control loop in real-time using the interfaces defined
- Result: **Real-Time Traffic Plan**

Real-time traffic plan

- Describes microscopically how the traffic shall be executed
- Routing, timing and stopping information

- Routing:
  - which routes will the trains take
  - in which order will trains pass over sections
- Timing:
  - when will a train occupy a certain section
- Stopping:
  - where and when will trains stop

Routing part



Train view

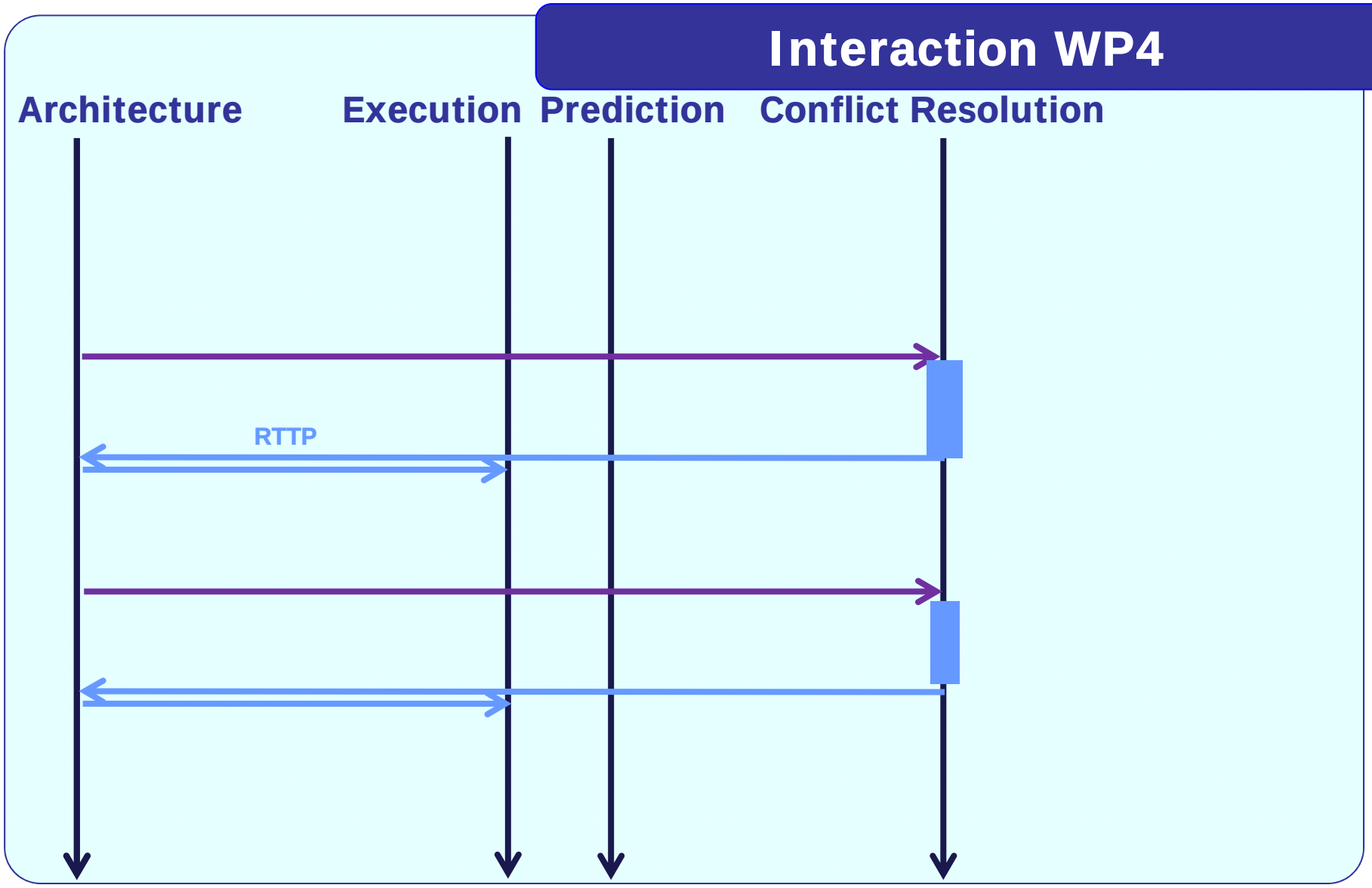
Train 1001		Train 801	
Route	Section	Route	Sections
O-A	TS1	O-A	TS1
A-C	TS2	A-B	TS2
	TS4		TS3
C-D	TS5	B-D	TS5
D-E	TS6	D-E	TS6

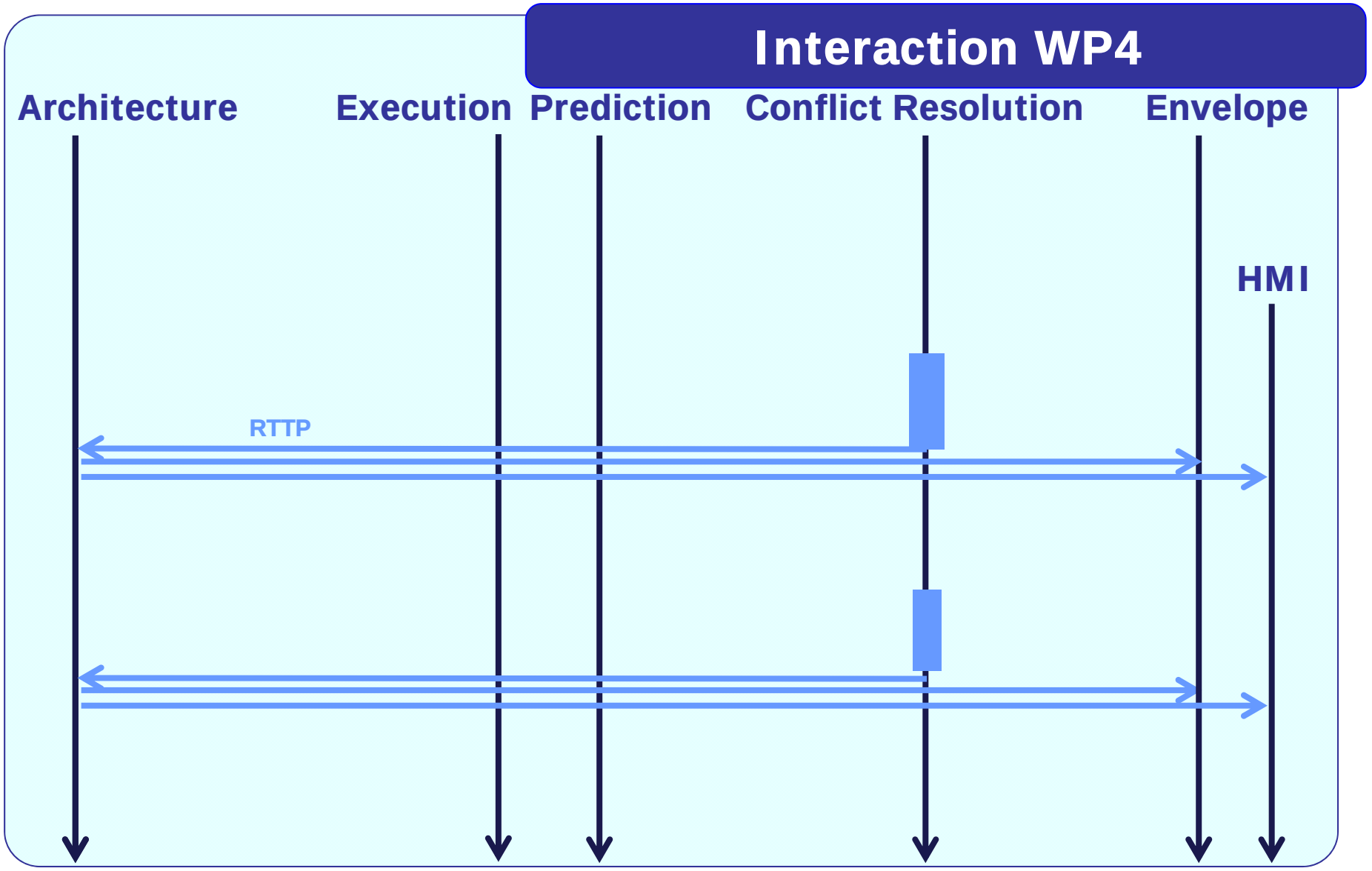
Infrastructure view

TS1	TS2	TS3	TS4	TS5	TS6
Order	Order	Order	Order	Order	Order
1001	1001	801	1001	801	801
801	801			1001	1001

RTTP = Result of conflict detection and resolution function

Interaction WP4




Interaction WP4
Architecture
Execution
Prediction
Conflict Resolution
Envelope
HMI
RTTP

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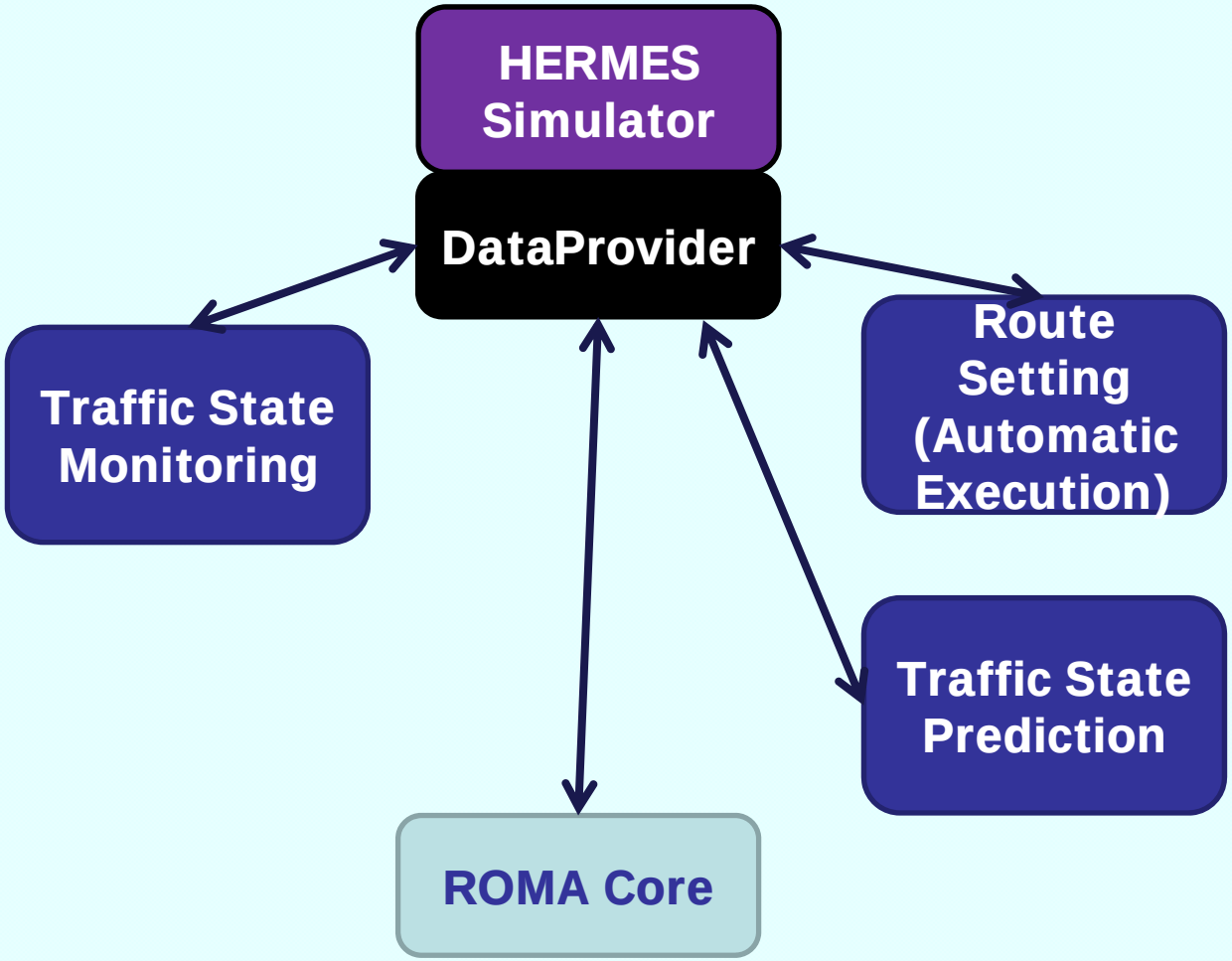
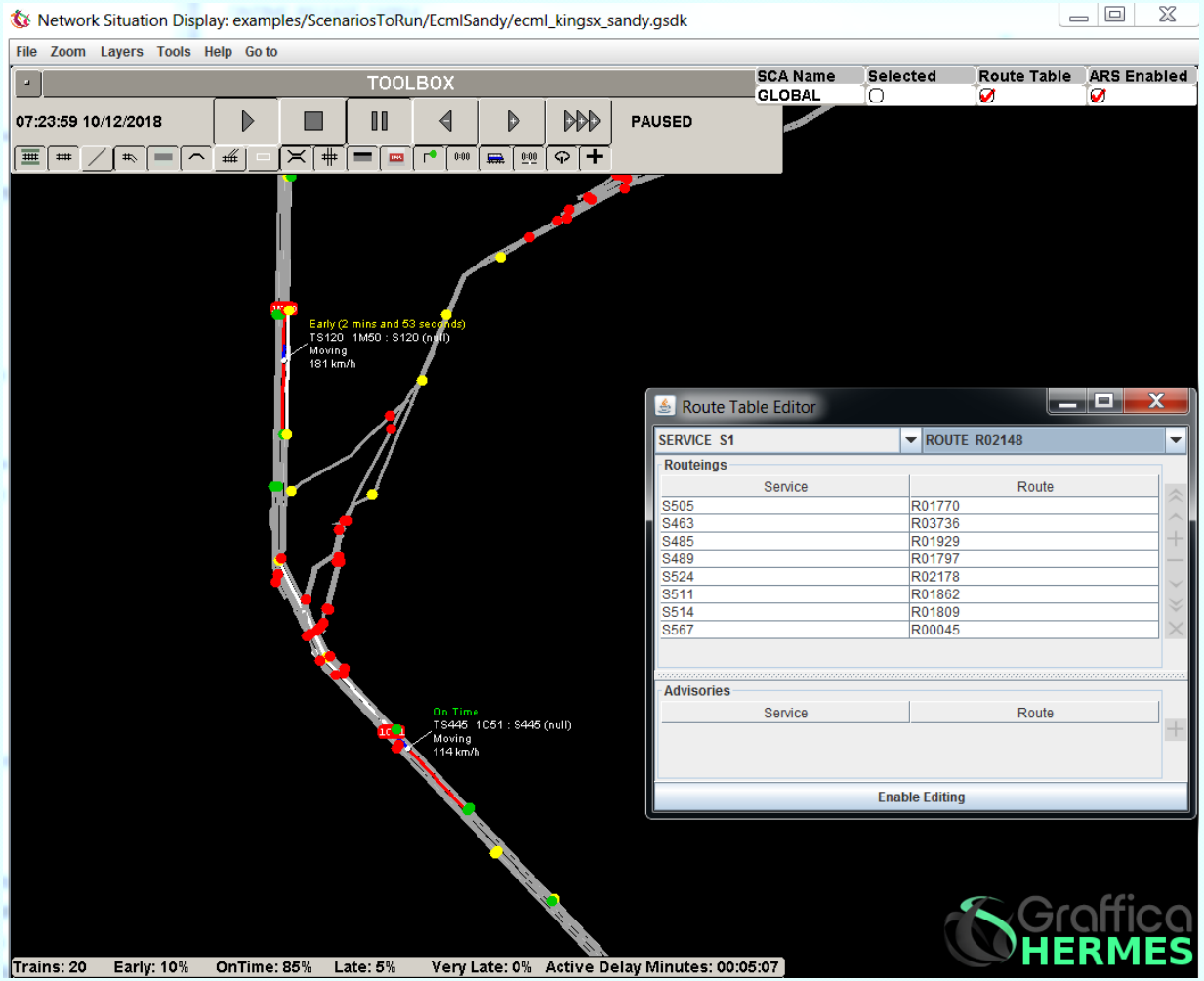
Simulator as railway system



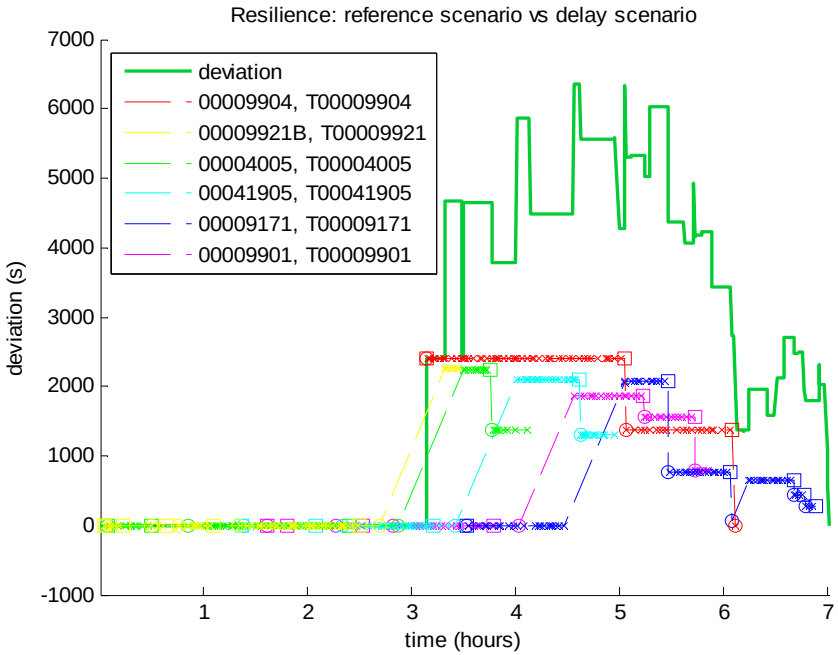
HERMES Simulation



Results Iron-Ore Line

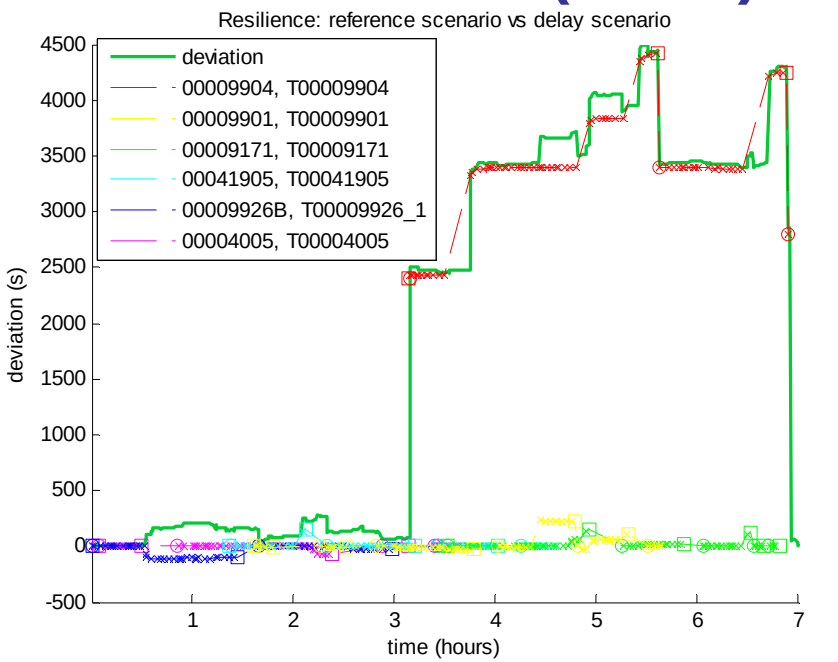
- Scenario 1: Entrance delay train 9904 of 40 min

Without ON-TIME



Deviation area [h²]	4:15
Maximum delay [h:mm]	1:45
Settling time [h:mm]	3:50

With ON-TIME (ROMA)



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- Scenario 2: Speed restriction 20 km/h Rensjön-Bergfors

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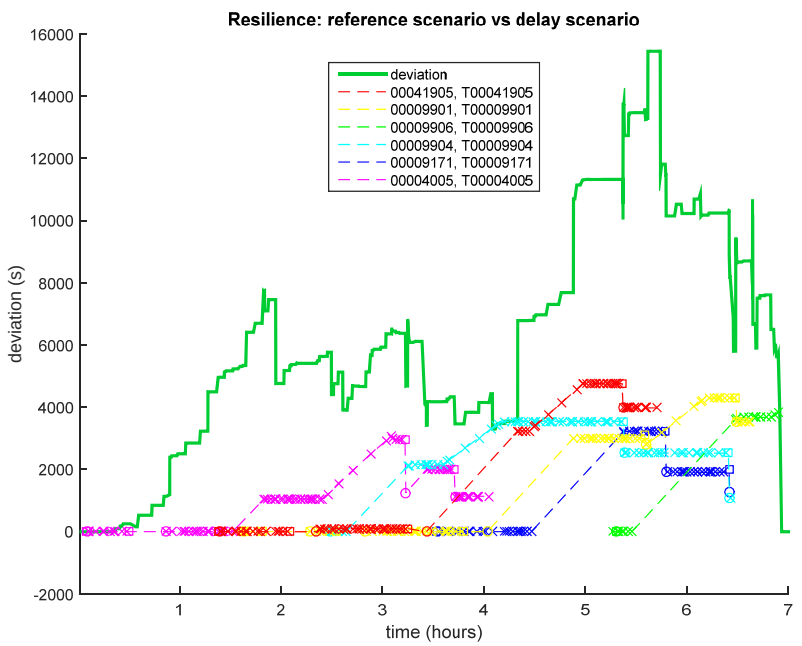

Deviation area [h²]	11:43
Maximum delay [h:mm]	4:17
Settling time [h:mm]	6:19

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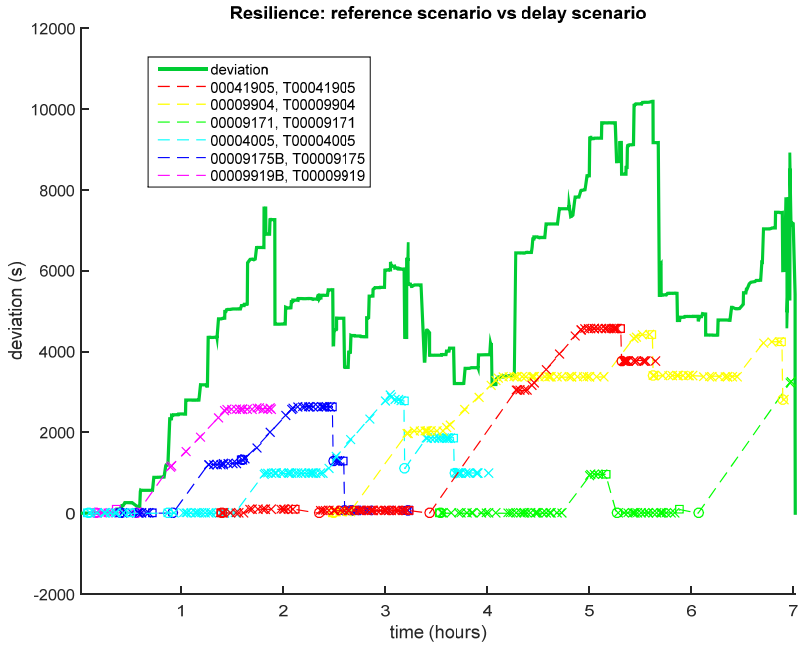

Deviation area [h²]	9:42
Maximum delay [h:mm]	2:50
Settling time [h:mm]	6:25

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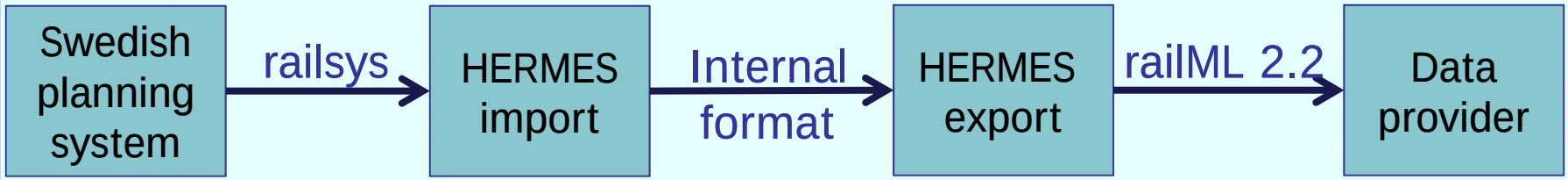
Standardized data

- railML 2.2
  - Timetable
  - Infrastructure
  - Rolling stock
  - Interlocking (**NEW!**)
- Microscopic data
- Example for Sweden



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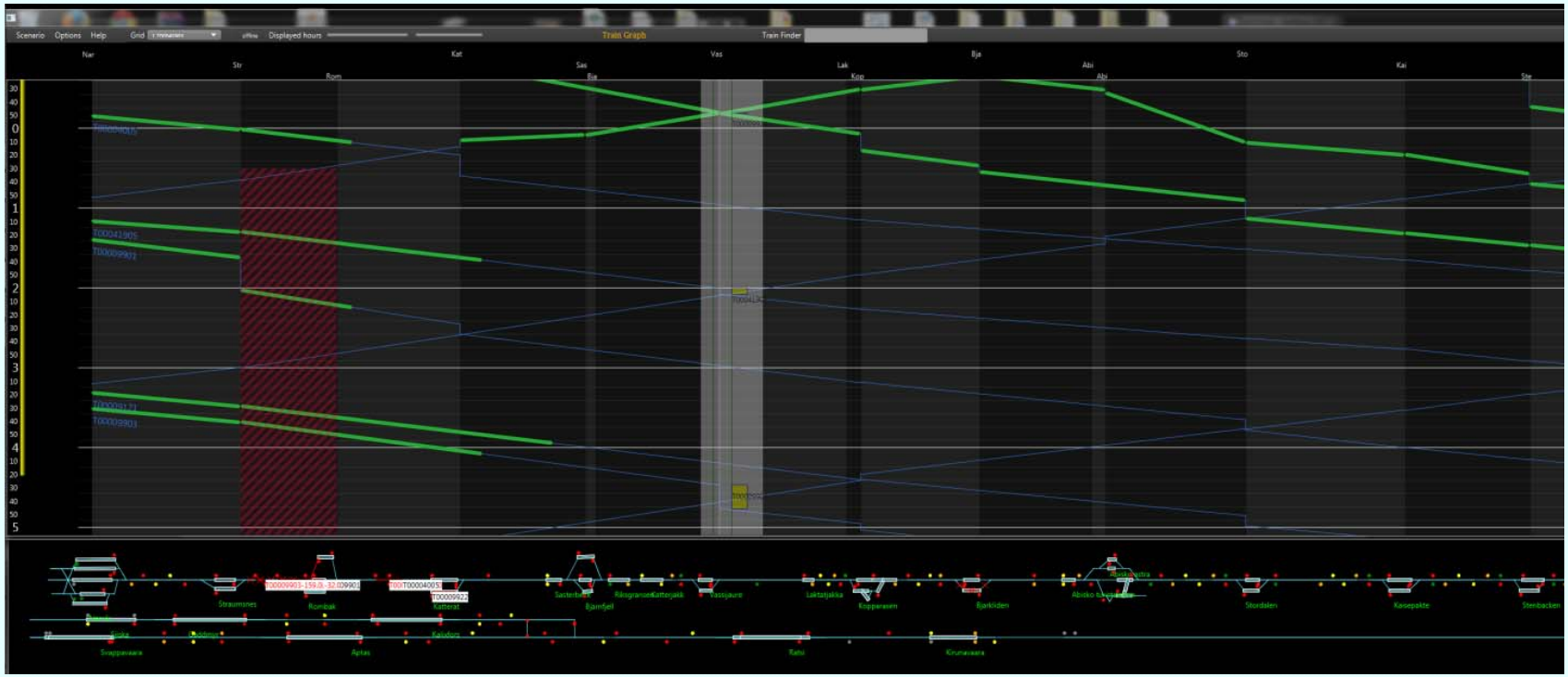
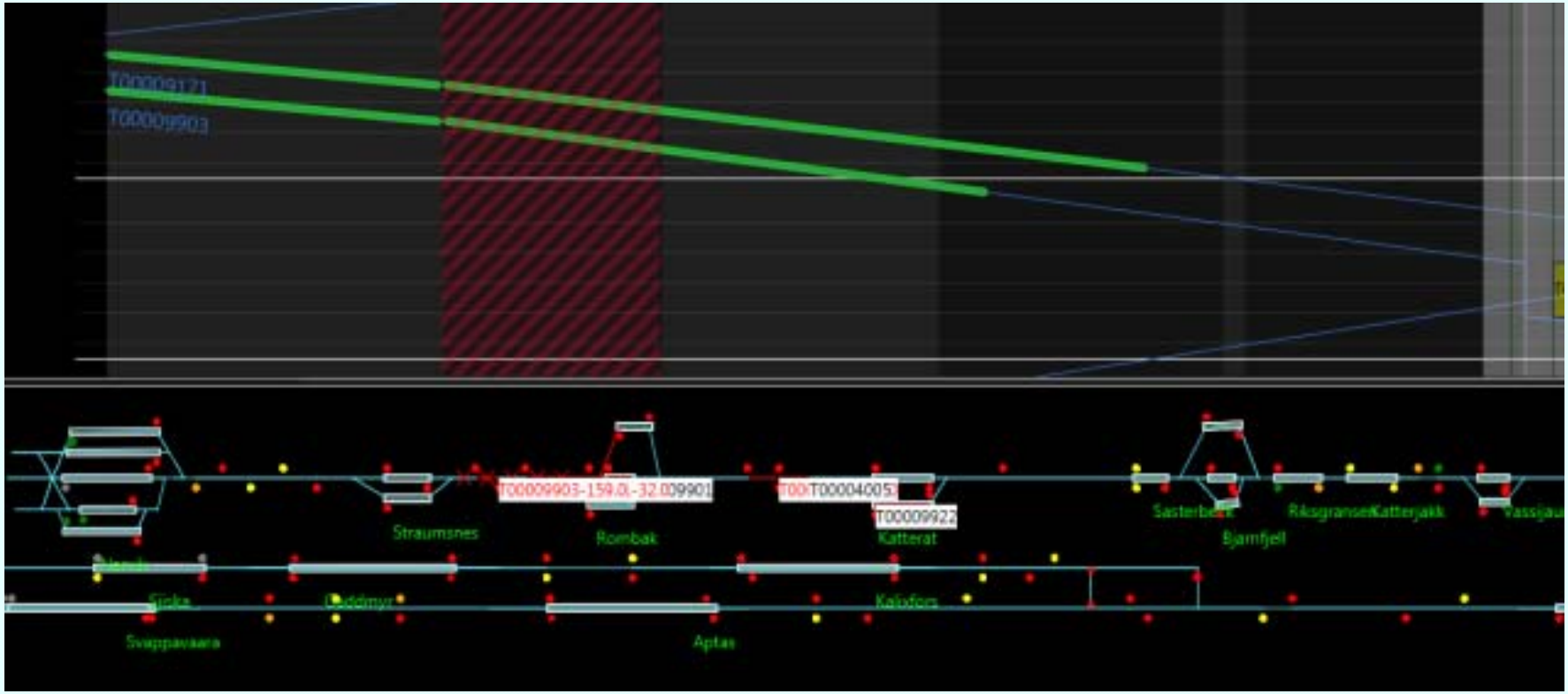
Human Machine Integration

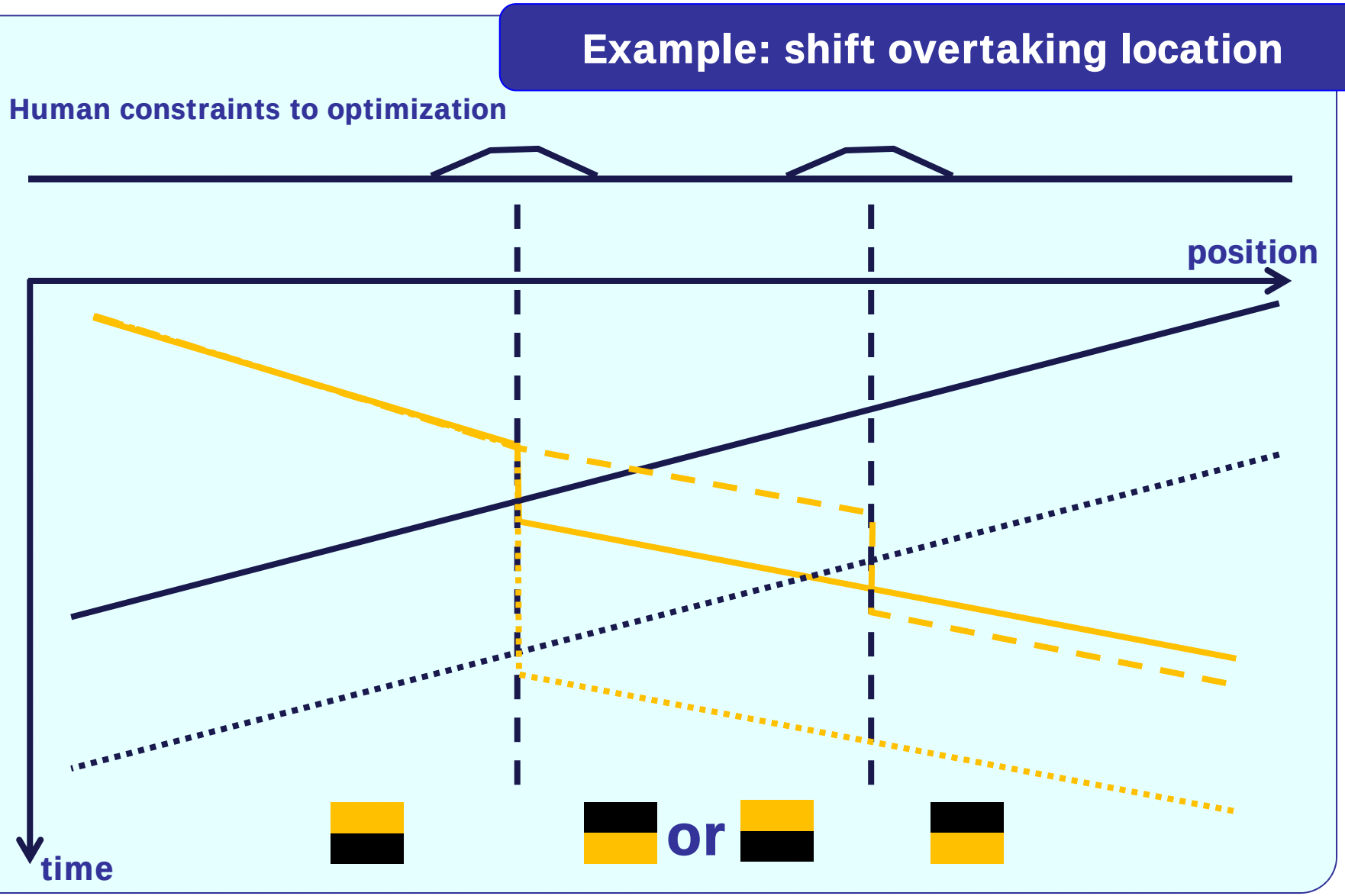
- Ansaldo HMI



Train describer + Train graph



Example: shift overtaking location



Open issues

- Including interaction with human
- Including interaction with driving optimization
- More stochasticity in the simulation
- Comparisons with reality

- More detailed data models
  (to see how much is still to gain)

Conclusions / Lessons learnt

- A modular automatic real-time traffic management of small perturbations is feasible
- Modules, tools and experience are available for next steps of test and integration with real rail system

- Testing requires automation, but automation requires „100% solutions“
- Handling with simulators can be as difficult as with real-world railway systems
- Data modelling/consistency and system integration tests were the most underestimated and time-consuming aspects of the project