

## **LRV Data Collection Project**

**Rail Operations Analysis** 

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### **Project Overview**

- Light Rail Vehicles generate a massive amount of insightful data
- Currently it is time consuming and manual to access this data on a regular basis
- Third-party providers offer solutions to connect easily to our trains data
- Faster and more complete access to data can open up new capabilities to improve our operation's service reliability

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### **Current State**

Failure OCCURS



SPECIAL SITUATION REPORT (SSR) LOGGED IN TRANSIT MASTER



DATA DOWNLOAD FROM ONBOARD EVENT RECORDER

10-Aug-18	904605	LRV127 LRV115	LRV104	Late	9	MALL OF AMERICA STATION	3 (7121), 10 (7117)	EQ - EQUIPMENT DELAY	Block 3 Operator reported a System Fault in the middle car, LRV115. It states "PRO-DYN". Shop states this is a propulsion dynamic brake fault. The train was pulled off the line at Franklin. It	67230	Hendreee
4:41:00 pm		LRV115				MT1			also developed a speed restriction on it's northbound trip. The replacement train was delayed 9 minutes at Franklin due to the train swap and the train behind, the block 10, was delayed 7 minutes.		



### Data Captured by Onboard Vehicle System:

# Train systems displayed:

- Time, including date (down to the second)
- Car Master Controller Braking Commands
- Emergency Brake Loop
- Brakes Released
- Track Brake Trainline
- Brake Pipe Pressure
- Car Brake Cylinder Pressure
- Traction Motor Torque
- Master Controller Propulsion Commands
- Speed Sensor Input
- Direction of Actual Movement
- All Doors Closed and Locked Trainline
- Doors Locked Summary Trainline





### **Desired Features**

- Live data
- Web interface suitable for multiple groups/users
- Canned reports and ad-hoc query capability
- Stability and length of availability

## **Current Evaluation**

- iCOM Monitoring System
  - Knorr-Bremse- brake parts supplier for LRVs
- Entered into one year Proof of Concept trial Fall 2017
- Equipment provided at zero cost
- Installed by Metro Transit technicians





### **iCOM Hardware Install**







### Ad Hoc Reporting



#### Live Vehicle Status



## **Software Examples**

#### Geo Located Fault Reporting





## **Future Use for Data**

- Enhance communication between RCC and LRV Maintenance
- Refine preventative maintenance schedules
- Enhance reporting on Federal Transit Agency National Transit Database metrics
- Compare train data against the rail control (SCADA) system
- Passenger door-holds/emergency door pulls and service reliability
- Much more...





## **Questions?**

