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	Variations based on APC Data	
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Brief Description of	This project builds upon the progress made by the NEXTRANS	
Research Project	investigators in using APC data from transit buses to estimate	
	route-level OD flows considering a variety of new dimensions	
	and identified limitations. Specifically, these efforts relate to the temporal representation of OD flows.	
	Route-level bus passenger OD flow estimation methods recently	
	developed by the NEXTRANS investigators are presently being	

	used to provide insights on empirical flow patterns for a few transit agencies. The research here is targeted to improve upon these applications for sustained, long-term use. As was done in moving the recently developed approaches toward empirical implementation, methodological formulations must be developed, evaluated, and refined before being put into use. The advanced methods eventually developed would form the basis for long-term benefits to transit agencies and MPOs.
	The methods being developed are based on exploiting spatially and temporally extensive boarding and alighting data that are now available from APC technologies in use on many transit properties. As with previously developed methods, the new methods will be inspired by an understanding of bus passenger behavior that is consistent with data and in situ observations collected on OSU's living Campus Transit Lab and refined according to these data and observations.
	The developed methods will lead to a richer representation of OD flow patterns and more accurate estimates of such patterns. In both cases, improved service planning and operations, where OD flow patterns are used as inputs, are expected. Planning applications include, for example, extending, splitting or combining, and designing new routes, and operations applications include short-turning, expressing, and holding. Improved service and operations will eventually result in a more competitive transit mode, with subsequent effects on reduced congestion, improved sustainable use of energy resources, and mitigated environmental impacts stemming from passenger travel
Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented)	
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Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual not	
anticipated)	
Web Links	
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