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# **OpenTrainCommunity Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Overview of the OpenTrain project

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tl; dr - We apply technology to enhance democracy and to empower Israeli citizens. This is our zionism.

This project aims to make Israel Railways punctuality data accessible, simple and understandable for everyone. Israel Railways is a state-owned company, and we believe that as citizens, it is our right to be able to understand how well this service is functioning.

Unfortunately, not much data is put forth by the Israel Railways company as publicly accessible information. We have received punctuality data from the Israel Railways company directly and are in the process of transforming, analysing and displaying that data at <http://otrain.org>, in a simple and understandable way.

We are a group of volunteers - programmers, designers, data analysts and content writers – that get together every week to achieve that goal.



## CHAPTER 2

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### General Info

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**Website:** <http://otrain.org>

**Website code:** <https://github.com/hasadna/OpenTrainCommunity>

**Hosting is at DigitalOcean. The user is:** [hasadna.opentrain@gmail.com](mailto:hasadna.opentrain@gmail.com)

**Server API (client is Angular):** <http://otrain.org/api/docs/>



## CHAPTER 3

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### Opening the django shell on the server

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Do the following:

1. ssh to the server (ask us for instructions).
2. `cd /home/opentrain/work/OpenTrainCommunity/simple/train`
3. `opentrain@otdata: ~/work/OpenTrainCommunity/simple/train$ python manage.py shell_plus`



## CHAPTER 4

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### Installing the website

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Follow the instructione here:

<https://github.com/hasadna/OpenTrainCommunity>



# CHAPTER 5

## Our data

We take the raw Israel Railways data we receive and do minimal processing - mainly structuring it and marking invalid data as such. Each data point in our database has a pointer to a specific line in one of the raw files we've received from Israel Railways. That way, if and when some question arises about the data, we can always pinpoint the exact source of that data.

- Raw Excel data received from Israel Railways:
- <http://otrain.org/files/xl-feb-2016/times/>
- <http://otrain.org/files/xl-april-2016/>
- Dump of our database: <http://otrain.org/files/dumps>
- Our database in csv format: <http://otrain.org/files/dumps-csv>

## 5.1 Adding new data

- Put the data in `~/public_html/files/` on the server in an appropriate folder (follow the standard there).
- While under 'workon train2' virtualenv and in the `~/work/OpenTrainCommunity/train2` folder, run:

```
python manage.py parsexl /home/opentrain/public_html/files/xl-2016-nov/xl-2016-nov.  
→xlsx
```

Make sure to change to your excel file. You should get something similar to:

```
[28/11/2016 17:30:20] INFO [utils_2015:137] Creating routes  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:141] # of valid trips = 9592  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:142] # of invalid trips = 136  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:146] Reason: sample has different planned and  
→stopped count = 29  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:146] Reason: missing actual_arrival count = 27  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:146] Reason: missing actual_departure count =  
→57
```

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```
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:146] Reason: first stop is not is_source count_↵  
↵= 21  
[28/11/2016 17:31:14] INFO [utils_2015:146] Reason: last stop is not is_dest count = 2
```

## CHAPTER 6

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### Database tables schema

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data_sample	represents arrival, departure at a station, time as part of a trip
id	automatic ID by DB
index	the index of the stop in the trip <sup>1</sup>
gtfs_stop_id	the station GTFS id
stop_id	the station id, a foreign key to the data_stops table
valid	data sanity check
invalid_reason	description of invalid reason, if invalid
is_source	whether it the first passengers stop (there may be non-passenger stops before)
is_dest	whether it the last passengers stop
actual_arrival	time of arrival
actual_arrival_fixed	is field actual_arrival missing, if so - used exp_arrival
exp_arrival	the planned time
delay_arrival	the delta of actual_arrival – exp_arrival
actual_departure	time of departure
actual_departure_fixed	is field actual_departure missing, if so - used exp_departure
exp_departure	planned departure
delay_departure	the delta of actual_departure – exp_departure
filename	source of data (for debugging purposes)
line_number	the line in that file (for debugging purposes)
sheet_idx	the sheet in that file (for debugging purposes)
trip_id	the id of the trip <train, date> (train = route id)

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<sup>1</sup> Note that there are gaps in the indexes since the original indexing includes operational stops.

data_trip	collection of samples representing a unique trip from source to destination
id	the trip id, a non generated primary key (timestamp & train nr)
train_num	train num as given by the train
date	date of trip
valid	data sanity check
invalid_reason	description of invalid reason, if invalid
x_week_day_local	day of week (0 to 6) (first sample in the trip)
x_hour_local	expected hour of departure (first sample in the trip)
route_id	foreign key to the route table
x_avg_delay_arrival	average delay over all samples in the trip
x_cache_version	cache version being used for this table, used for table updates
x_max2_delay_arrival	second largest delay among the route's samples
x_max_delay_arrival	largest delay among the route's samples
x_before_last_delay_arrival	delay at route's second to last sample
x_last_delay_arrival	delay at route's last sample

data_route	list of stops for a repeating route
id	automatic ID by DB
stop_ids	json list of stop ids

data_stop	static info about stops in the rail network
id	automatic ID by DB
gtfs_stop_id	gtfs (General Transit Feed Specification) station id
english	english name
hebrews	hebrew names (json list)
lat	latitude
lon	longitude

## CHAPTER 7

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### Connecting to the db directly

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This requires installing postgres and using psql, a postgres sql client.:

```
psql -h 104.131.88.144 --user guest --dbname train2
```

The password is guest



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### Accessing the data using redash

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You can use the redash website to [run SQLs](#) and [preview](#) the result.

You can share the results with others.

Pretty cool tool! Check it out:

<http://hasadna.redashapp.com>

Note that it requires signing in so it can save your queries and for the sharing features.



## CHAPTER 9

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### Visual Data Views

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TrainArrivalbyYear-Quarter

MostTendingStations2014

TrainArrival-ByStationYear

DelaysRateByDayHour

StationsTainAccuracy2015-v1

StationsTainAccuracy2015-v2



## CHAPTER 10

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Code

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<https://github.com/hasadna/OpenTrainApp>



# CHAPTER 11

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## API for Android

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Get all networks (GET): <http://gtfs.otrain.org/api/data/bssids>

Add new network (POST): <http://gtfs.otrain.org/api/data/bssids/add/>

```
{
  bssid: "ab:cd:ef:gh:ij:kl"
  name: "Hashalom"
  stop_id: "37350"
}
```

Admin interface for manual update: <http://gtfs.otrain.org/admin/>

Stop list: <http://gtfs.otrain.org/api/gtfs/stops/?format=json>

Today's gtfs trips: <http://gtfs.otrain.org/api/gtfs/trips/date/today/?format=json>

Specific day's gtfs trips: <http://gtfs.otrain.org/api/gtfs/trips/date/2015-09-10/?format=json>



### 12.1 Simple instructions

Simply commit and push the code to github.

You can actually [edit](#) and [preview](#) changes directly in github!

The changes will be uploaded to readthedocs automatically through webHooks.

### 12.2 Difficult instructions

If you want to see the resulting html before you commit (usually you don't need to):

1. Run:

```
pip install sphinx
```

2. Make the updates you want to the .rst files, and then run:

```
make html
```

3. Open the index.html file in the browser to see the result.