

# From Nodes to Graphs: A Proof of Concept for Neo4j, MongoDB, and Redis



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# Introducing Our Proof of Concept

- We are interested in determining the optimal first store to deliver products to from BART
- We want to determine a path to deliver food to subsequent stores in each county
- We want to run a simulation where we can store a lot of orders from each store every day
- We want to provide many viewers with a live-update map of our deliveries

# Overview of Data being used and Preprocessing

- Utilized FourSquare for sourcing recent data on high-traffic points (colleges, companies, parks, etc.) within each county.
- Identified BART terminals within each county.
- Assigned arbitrary population values to each point.
- Sampled 20 nodes per county.
- Computed inter-node distances and saved the three closest nodes to each other node.

# Snapshot into County and Bart Station Tables

		name	county	coordinates	esti. pop.
40	Bus Stop #50773/28-San Leandro Bart	Alameda	(37.695409, -122.077991)	916	
41	Logitech	Alameda	(37.552155, -122.063208)	1501	
42	Speedee Oil Change and Tune-Up	Alameda	(37.708072, -121.924819)	1875	
43	Envie Interactive	Alameda	(37.411732, -122.014626)	1185	
44	California Express Motors	Alameda	(37.656344, -122.071653)	1725	
45	University Union	Alameda	(37.654885, -122.055788)	1977	
46	Speedee Oil Change & Tune Up	Alameda	(37.693297, -122.066176)	1816	
47	Men's Wearhouse	Alameda	(37.692118, -121.927759)	902	
48	Up 2 Speed Sports Therapy	Alameda	(37.698831, -121.917708)	2411	
49	SafeAmerica Credit Union	Alameda	(37.695814, -121.932341)	815	
50	Red Apple Pizza	Alameda	(37.696829, -122.139635)	884	
51	My Union City Plumber Hero	Alameda	(37.581319, -122.017075)	2677	
52	Simbol Materials	Alameda	(37.661614, -121.903984)	2481	
53	Tint-N-Sound	Alameda	(37.769199, -122.238094)	1431	
54	Design Energy Group	Alameda	(37.698278, -121.919474)	1097	
55	Hayward BART Garage	Alameda	(37.670639, -122.087372)	1345	
56	Phantom Motors	Alameda	(37.678241, -122.09081)	980	
57	Randall E. Strauss	Alameda	(37.807695, -122.265135)	2697	
58	Emcor Integrated Solutions	Alameda	(37.663021, -121.899895)	1437	
59	Pho Play	Alameda	(37.694429, -122.051597)	1435	

	name	county	coordinates	esti. pop.
0	West Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station	Contra Costa	(37.699709, -121.928243)	428
1	Montgomery St BART Station	San Francisco	(37.788862, -122.402116)	1812
2	San Antonio BART Station	Alameda	(37.788309, -122.245649)	1489
3	Fremont BART Station	Alameda	(37.557451, -121.976611)	1813
4	Santana Row BART Station	Santa Clara	(37.323154, -121.948811)	965



# How we can use Neo4j?

## Neo4j

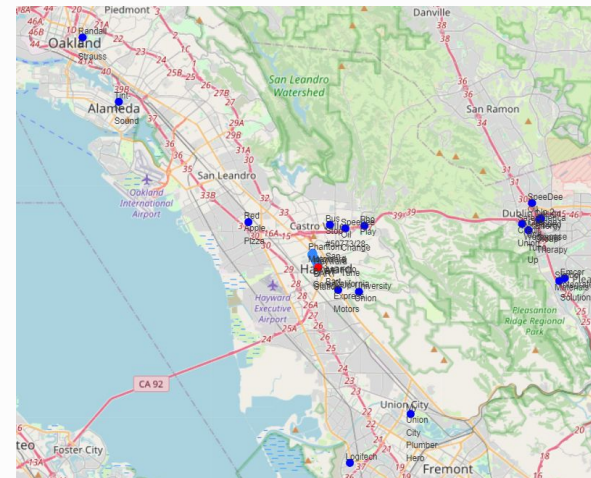
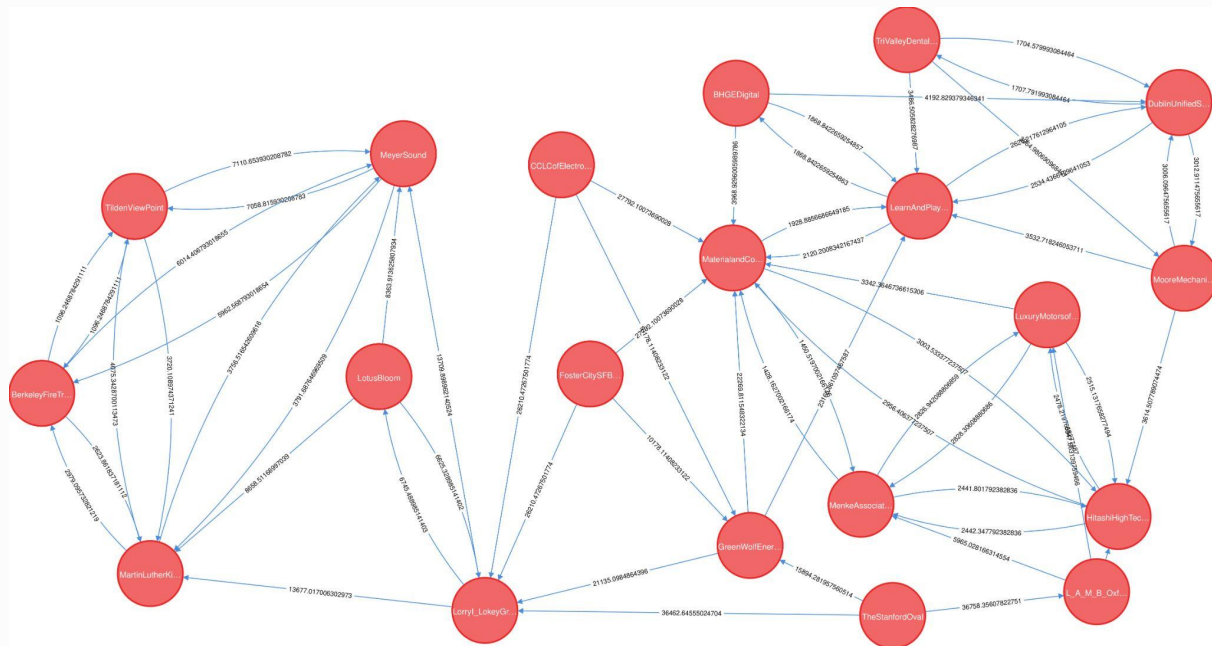
- Ideal for applications with complex relationships that can be represented as graphs.
- Efficient for queries involving like networks or graph algorithms.
- Fast travel of connections between data points.
- Easy to visualize

Why a relational database is not a good fit for this business example:

- Complex relationship networks which we want to run graph algorithms on
  - Neo4j can do this for us by default

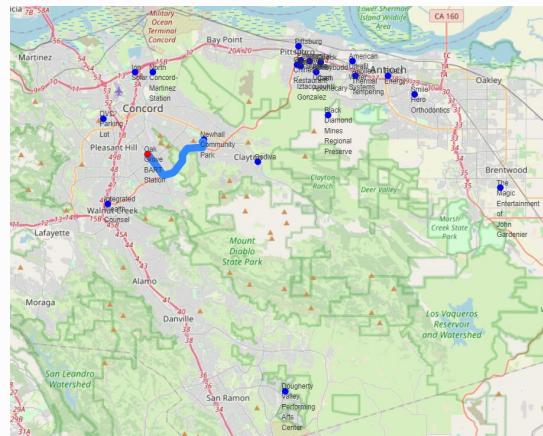
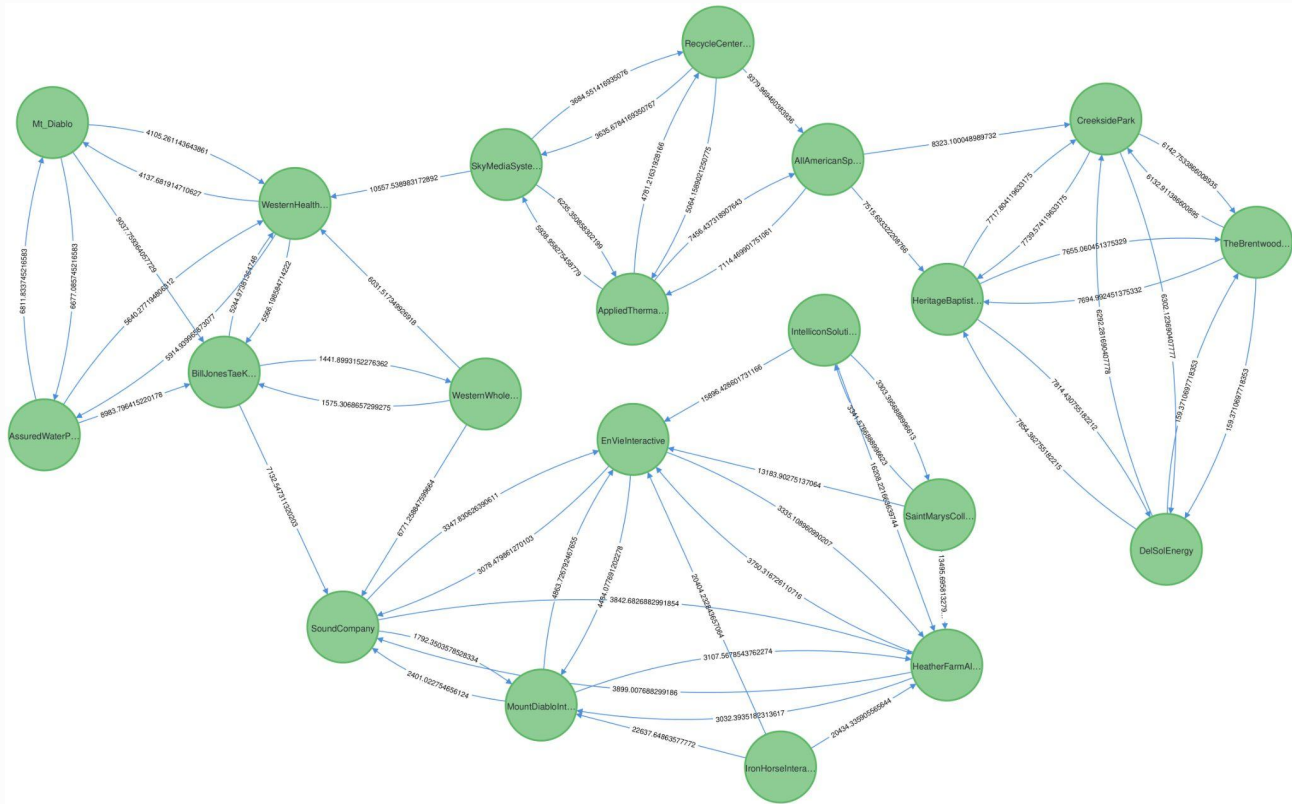


## Primary Neo4j Graph (Alameda)



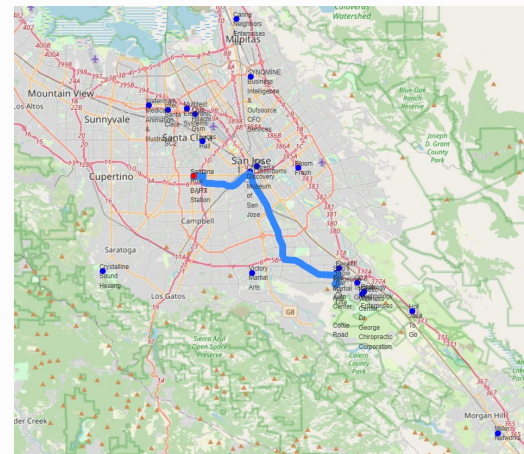
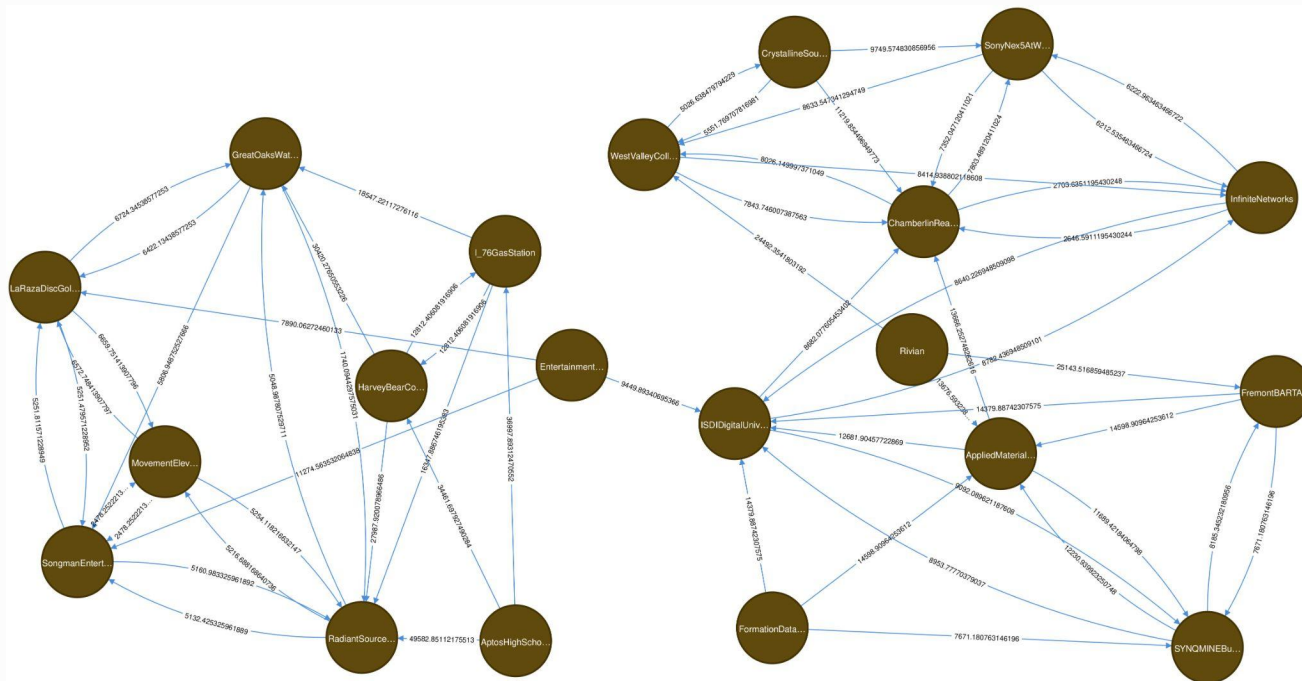


# Other Neo4j graphs (Contra Costa)

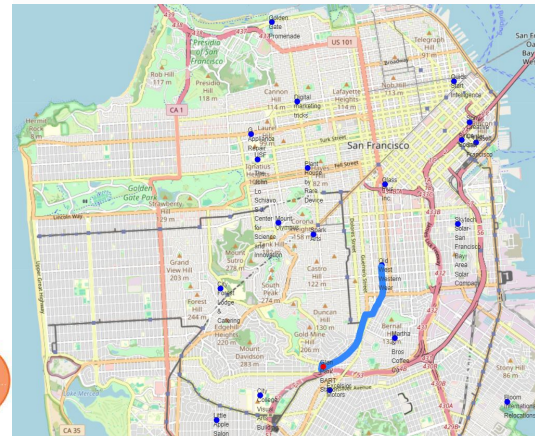
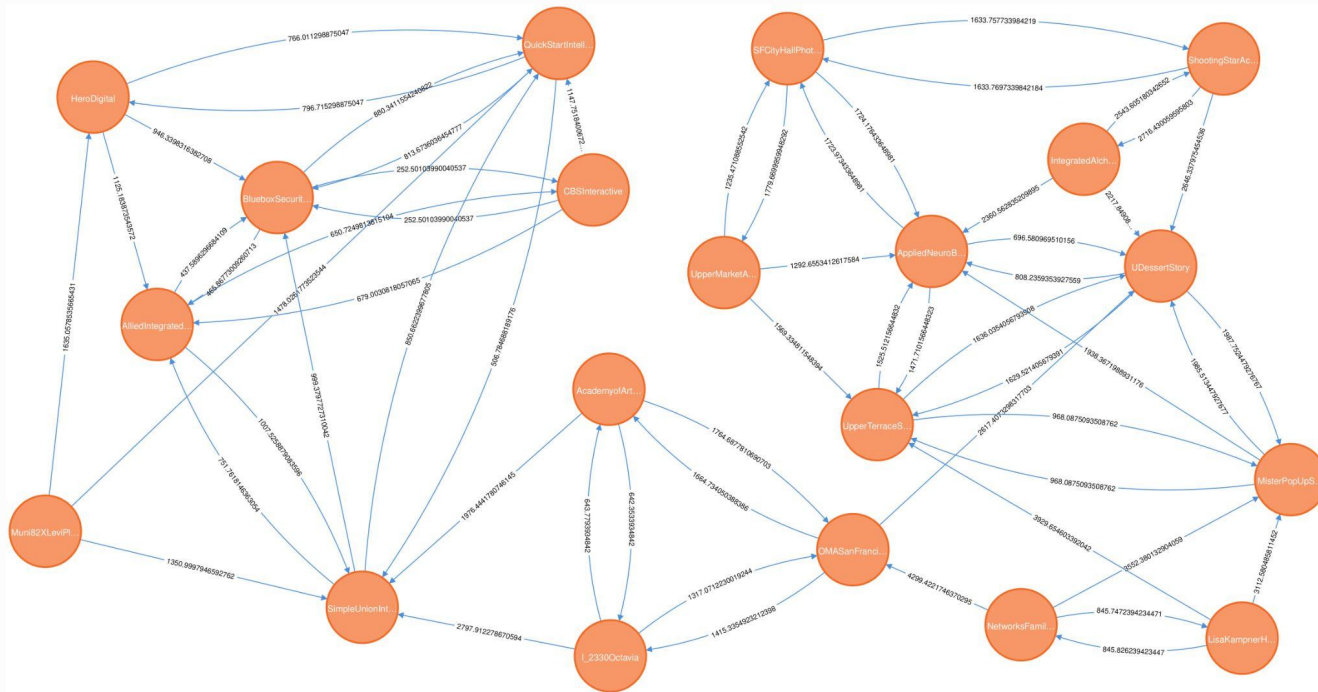




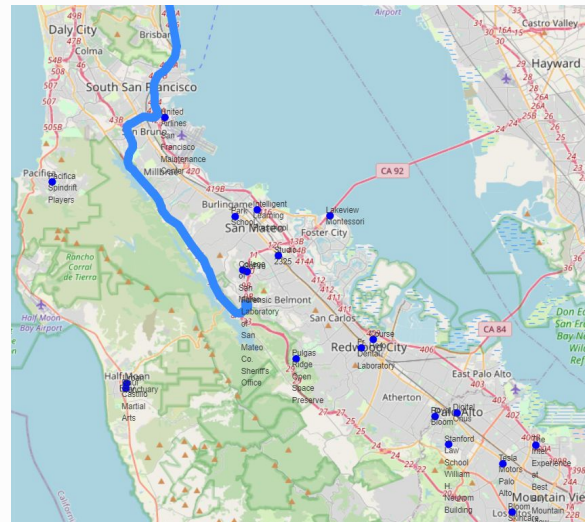
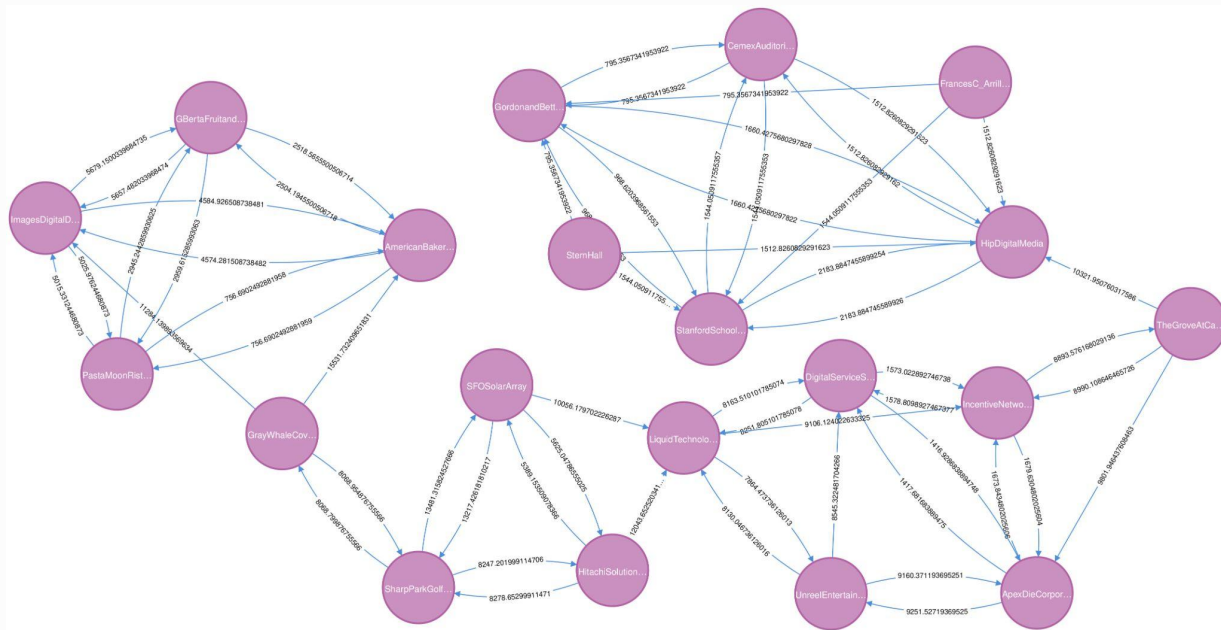
## Other Neo4j graphs (Santa Clara)



## Other Neo4j Graphs (San Francisco)



# Other Neo4j Graphs (San Mateo)



# What do we use MongoDB for?

## MongoDB

- Can handle both structured and unstructured data.
- Stores and returns data in JSON like formats.
- Useful for running analytics from multiple POVs effectively.
- Scales up better than SQL for very large datasets.
- Able to access certain subset (query) of data quickly
- Low latency refresh rate (ACID vs flexibility)

Why a relational database is not a good fit for this business example:

- Lists of varying route node lengths aren't natural fits for SQL structure
- Better for handling and scaling up for large amounts of end-of-day data



# MongoDB for Storing Points, Truck Routes, and Item Orders

```
{
  "Alameda": {
    "nodes": [
      "PhantomMotors",
      "BusStop5077328SanLeandroBart",
      "CaliforniaExpressMotors",
      "HaywardBARTGarage",
      "MensWearhouse",
      "RedApplePizza",
      "Up2SpeedSportsTherapy",
      "SimbolMaterials",
      "Logitech",
      "MyUnionCityPlumberHero",
      "SpeeDeeOilChangeandTuneUp",
      "EnvieInteractive",
      "UniversityUnion",
      "SpeedeeOilChangeTuneUp",
      "SafeAmericaCreditUnion",
      "TintNSound",
      "DesignEnergyGroup",
      "RandallE_Strauss",
      "EmcorIntegratedSolutions",
      "PhoPlay"
    ]
  },
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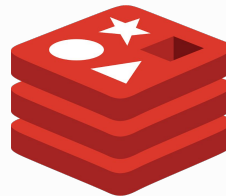
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  ],
}
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"route": [
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```
{
  "PhantomMotors": {
    "name": "PhoPlay",
    "items_requested": {
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      "Eggplant Lasagna": 83,
      "Curry Chicken": 16,
      "Broccoli Stir Fry": 53,
      "Pistachio Salmon": 95,
      "Spinach Orzo": 59,
      "Chicken Salad": 65,
      "Tilapia Piccata": 87
    },
    "delivered_tag": false,
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  },
  "BusStop5077328SanLeandroBart": {
    "name": "PhoPlay",
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      "Teriyaki Chicken": 23,
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}
```

# What do we use Redis for?

- Redis is a data storage solution optimized for real-time data
- Why redis over a relational database?
  - For real time updates like delivery and location updates, Redis excels due to its speed and ability to handle high-throughput data.
- Examples:
  - Delivery Updates: Instantly track and update delivery statuses.
  - Location Updates: Real time monitoring of users locations



redis

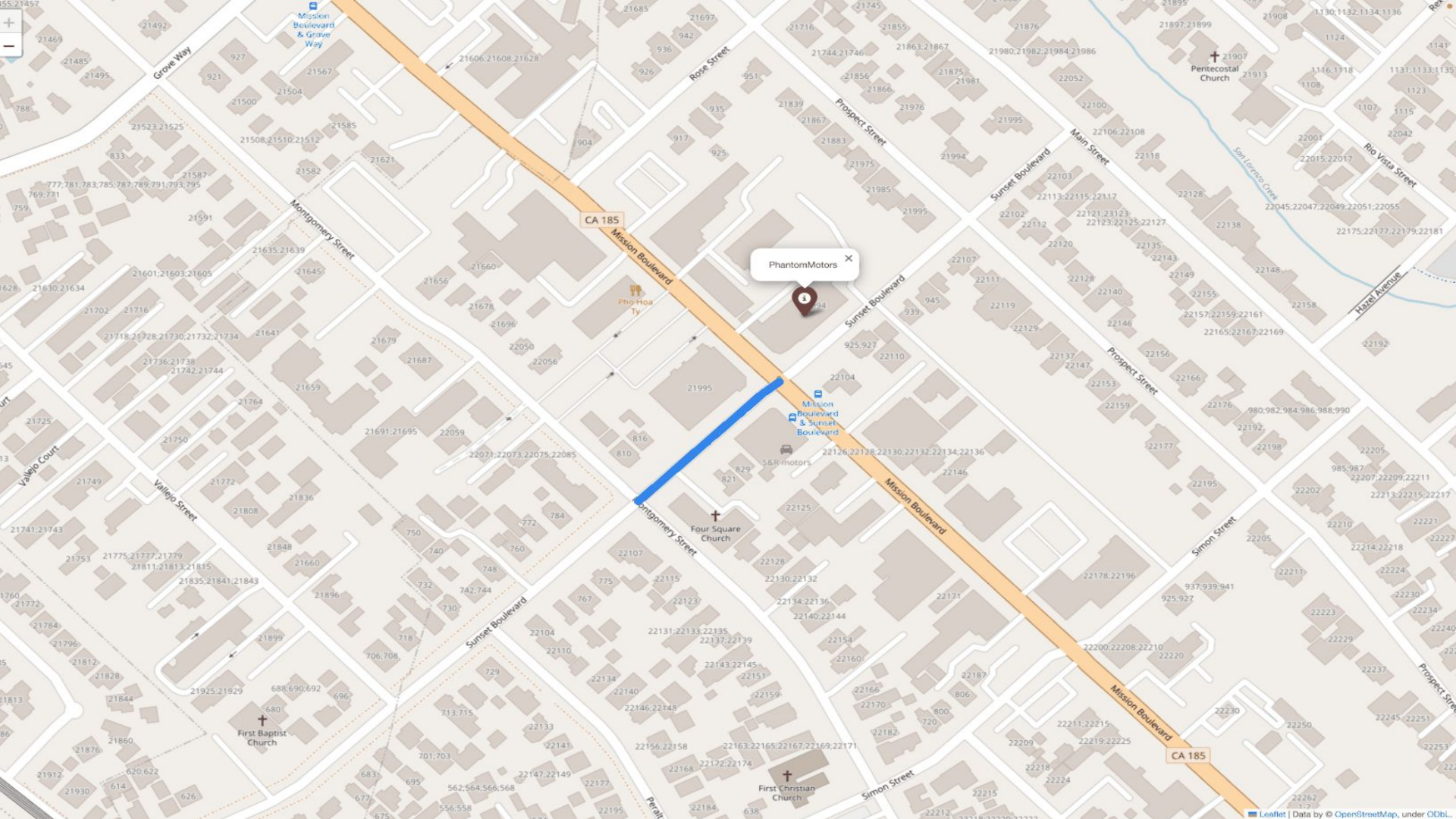


# Redis for Simulated Real Time Updates

- Our System simulates real-time updates with:
  - Realistic variation of wait times
  - Tracking of items being offloaded at each store
- How it works
  - Delivery information is pushed to redis
  - Updates are instantly reflected in our simulation







**Thanks for your  
time!**



**Questions?**