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# General Information

## 1.1 Systems Overview

The Train Trax application is an Android application that displays a diagram of a train track system including all associated track segments and switches from a pre-load loaded database train coordinate system. The Train Trax application monitors and displays position of trains that are moving on the loaded track diagram. The Train Trax application receives coordinate information about the points located on the track diagram from the Train Navigation Database and then takes that information to build a display of the track diagram. Position updates are received from the Train Navigation Service which are used to display the actual position of the train for a display the track and associated switches. The Train Trax Android application can also control switches on the track when the user selects a switch on the display.

# System Summary

## 2.1 System Configuration

Train Trax operates on mobile devices with Android operating system. It is compatible with Android 6.0 API level 23 and higher versions but may also run on versions below that. The App has been optimized specifically to run on the HP Slate mobile device for the displaying of Train Track information in UAH’s Train Lab. The application requires a connection to Internet in order to connect to the Train Navigation Service and Train Navigation Database, to receive and send data. After installation on an Android device, additional port number and IP configuration is required to ensure that Train Trax can connect to the Train Navigation Service and Train Navigation Database.

# GETTING STARTED

## 3.1 Train Navigation Database

The Train Navigation Database is used by the Train Trax Application to provide it with a layout of the track. The Train Trax takes a list of Adjacent Point, Track Block, Track Switch, and Track point coordinates to compute and display the overall track layout. The specific format required for Train Trax to accept this data is described in the Train Navigation Database ICD. An internet connection is required in order to connect to the Train Navigation Database. Setup of the Train Navigation database is required prior to running the app which includes setting the appropriate port and IP address under the Main Settings window in the Train Trax application.

## 3.2 Train Navigation Service

The Train Navigation Service is used by the Train Trax application to receive position updates and control and update the state of the track switches. Once the application is up and running, the initial state of the track switches will be received from the train navigation service. Any time the user clicks a switch, a state change occurs and that state change is sent to the Train Navigation Service. The Train Navigation service also sends position updates for each train position in the track every second. Setup of the Train Navigation service is required prior to running the app which includes setting the appropriate port and IP address under the Main Settings window in the Train Trax application.

## 3.3 Installation

The App can be installed on your Android device by downloading the .apk file onto the device and selecting it to begin the installation process. The .apk file while be included as part of the release but can also be generated when the Train Trax app is compiled, and is stored in the /app/build/outputs folder. Optionally the app will also install if executing the Train Trax Project in Android Studio with the mobile device connected to the computer.

To setup up the Train Navigation and Train Navigation Database to run with Train Trax follow the steps below:

[Installing TrainTrax Android App]

* Download the app .apk file onto Android Mobile device to install it.
* Select the APK file from the Downloads folder.
* Select Open with Package Installer.
* Select Install.
* Open app from the Apps Menu when ready to run.

[Install Dependencies]

* Run mysql-installer-community-5.7.11.0.msi to install MySQL Server.
* Select the default developer setup configuration.
* Ignore the message about installing Python, just click next to skip that part.
* Use root/root for the defaults when prompted to create an administrator account and password.
* Leave the default DB port to 3306.
* Leave the default host name to localhost.
* Select MySQL to run as a Windows service (will be the default value).
* Follow the rests of the steps of the installation wizard until you click Finish to complete the installation.
* Run JMRI.4.2.1-R6b48b4.exe to install JMRI.
* Select 'Install for anyone using this computer'.
* Click Next and continue to follow the instructions on the install wizard until you click Finish to complete the installation.
* Unzip CPE656TL-master.zip and move the extracted folder into C:/TrainTrax.

[Default Settings]

* root/root are the default credential used for the MySQL Database
* 3306 is the default DB port.
* localhost is the default DB host name
* 8182 is the default Navigation Database Rest Service port.
* 8183 is the default Navigation Service Rest Service port
* COM4 is the default COM Port for the PR3
* COM5 is the default COM Port for communication with the MDU

[Operation]

* Verify that all of the default Settings are correct.
* Install script is setup by default to connect to two serial ports for the Motion Detection Unit (MDU) and Loconet Switch on the track. If running without this the Install script must be changed to instead point to two COM ports on your PC.
* Run the install\_train\_data.bat script to install the Train Navigation Data from scratch and initialize tables.
* Run CPE656TL-master/install/run\_nav\_service.bat to run the Train Navigation Service Rest Service.
* Run CPE656TL-master/install/run\_nav\_service.bat to run the Train Navigation Database Rest Service.

[Android Host and Port Settings]

* Click on the settings menu Tab on the top right of the main menu (shown in Figure 1), should be three vertical white dots
* Select Edit Database Port Number
* Set Database Service Port number to 8182
* Select Edit Navigation Service Port Number
* Set Navigation Service Port number to 8183
* Select Edit IP Address
* Set IP address to ‘localhost’
* Select Save Preferences
* Close and Restart Train Trax to connect to the Train Navigation Service and Train Navigation Database.

[Database Data Uninstall]

* root/root are the default credential used for the MySQL Database
* 3306 is the default DB port
* localhost is the default DB host name
* Call clear\_train\_data.bat to remove all of the data in the database

# USING the APPLICATION

## 4.1 Settings

The settings menu shown below in Figure 1, is accessed by clicking on the upper right portion of the ActionBar in the main menu view window. There are three settings that can be controlled for the application which are the Edit Database Port Number, Edit Service Port Number and Edit IP address options. These are required to connect to the Train Navigation Database and Train Navigation Service. There’s also an option to save the settings which if selected will save the settings to a preference file that will be loaded the next time the app is started.



Figure 1. Settings Menu

### 4.1.1 Edit Database Port Number

The Port Number is used by the application to set up a client/server connection to the Train Navigation Database.

### 4.1.1 Edit Service Port Number

The Port Number is used by the application to set up a client/server connection to the Train Navigation Service.

### 4.1.2 Edit IP Address

The IP Address is used by the application to set up a client/server connection to the Train Navigation Service and Train Navigation Database.

### 4.1.3 Save Settings

The port and IP settings can be saved for future use at any time by the user by selecting Save Preferences in the settings menu.

## 4.2 Main Menu View

The Main Menu View of the Train Trax application is displayed once the application is started. In this view a diagram of the track is displayed without any switch or train positon information. The settings menu where you can set the Port and IP address for connecting to the Train Navigation Service and Train Navigation Database is accessed from this view. From the Main Menu view selecting the Train Monitor button will enter the application into the Train Monitor mode state. In the event of an error occurs trying to connect to the Train Navigation Database, an error message will be displayed and the option to enter the Train Monitor mode will be inaccessible.

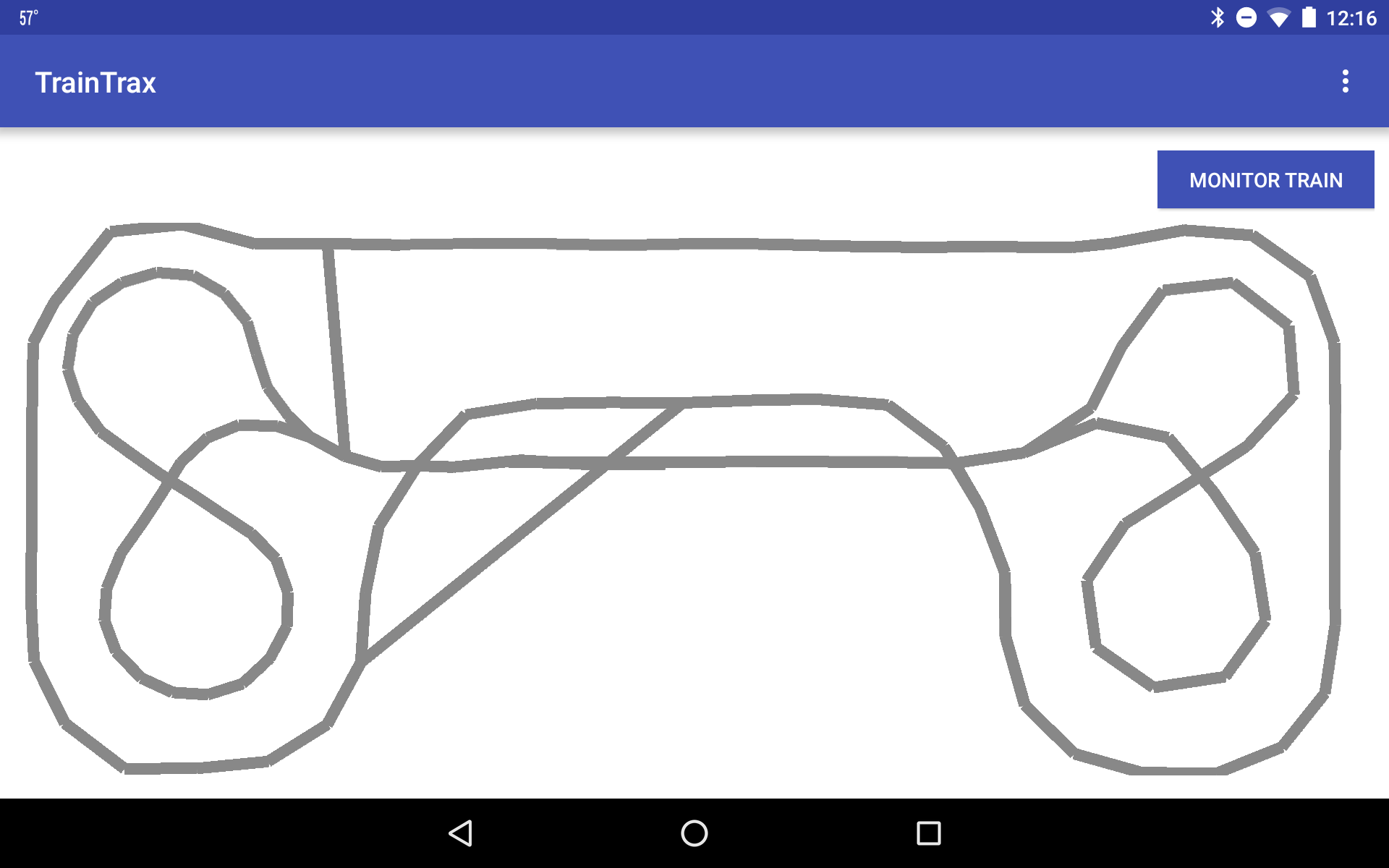


Figure 2. Main Menu View

## 4.3 Train Monitor View

The Train Monitor View of the Train Trax application is displayed once the Train Monitor button is selected from the Main Menu View. In this view, a diagram of all track coordinates are displayed, switch position and state information is displayed, and the position of each train on the track at the current time is displayed. The Train Monitor View is updated every second as position updates are received from the Train Navigation service. The Monitor View will receive the initial state of the track switches from the Train Navigation Service upon startup. From there on, anytime the user selects a switch, the state will be changed and the view is updated and Train Trax sends the updated state change back to the Train Navigation Service. The Train Monitor View includes a legend at the bottom of the screen describing what the colors and symbols mean in the view.



Figure 3. Train Monitor View

### 4.3.1 Track Diagram

The track diagram displayed on the Monitor Train view includes all components of the track including, switches, trains, and points. The points are received from the navigation database upon startup and used to draw a diagram of the track. The track layout is drawn in green and red, the green symbolizing the path of the track that is allowable by a switch, and red indicating an incorrect path controlled by the track switch.

### 4.3.2 Track Switches

The track switches icons will be a square box that says Switch. The boxes will be colored black when in pass mode and red when in bypass mode.

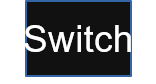


Figure 4. Track Switch icons

Each switch should initially be in pass (closed) and will toggle to bypass (open) when selected. When the switch is selected the active path of the track diagram will change to reflect the new path controlled by the switch

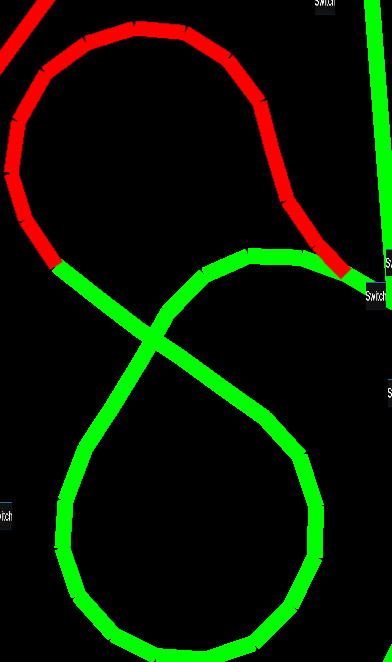
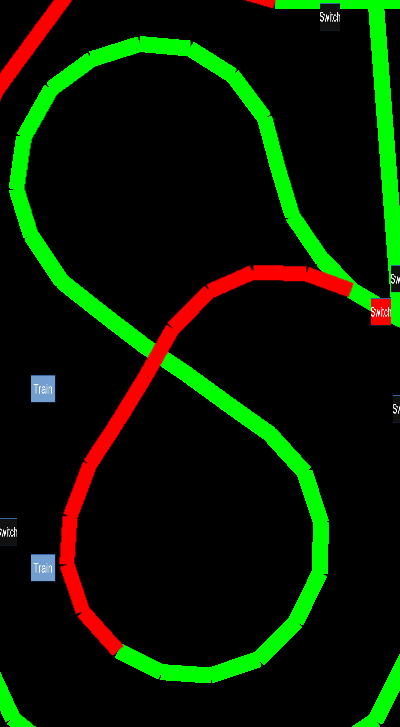


Figure 5. Switch State change from Pass to Bypass mode

### 4.3.3 Train Position

The train position icons displayed in the Monitor View will be a square box that says Switch. The boxes will be colored blue with white text. An example of the icon is shown in Figure 6. The speed of the train will at that position will also be displayed in a text box right below the train icon. If a train that was moving comes to a stop, an alert will pop up letting the monitor know that the train has stopped.



Figure 6. Train Position Icon