ASSESSING PEDESTIRANS' EXPOSURE TO TRAFFIC NOISE WITH SPATIAL ANALYSIS:

THE EFFECTS OF ROUTE CHOICE AND HOME LOCATION

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Working title

Preliminary methods & results

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QUIET PATH ROUTE OPTIMIZATION

QUIET PATH

- Shortest path ≠ least cost path
- Dijkstra's algorithm for route optimization
  - Utilizes graph theory:
    networks (graphs) of nodes & edges
  - Finds the least cost path between two nodes with respect to edge costs
  - If edge cost = length => least cost path = shortest path
  - However, edge cost can be any (numeric) attribute
  - Here, edge cost should also consider traffic noise

CALCULATING ADJUSTED EDGE COSTS

$$C_e = d_e + C_{en}$$

C_e = total edge cost

d_e = length of the edge (m)

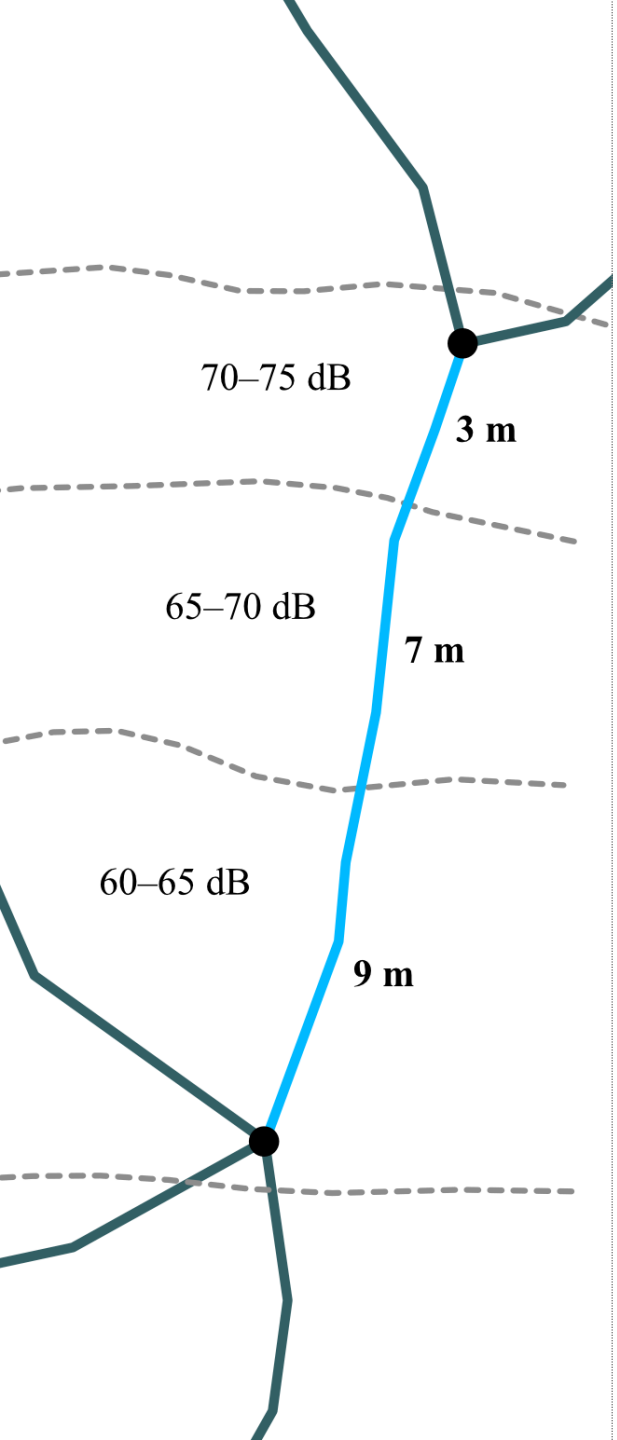
C_{en} = additional noise cost of the edge:

$$C_{en} = \left(\sum_{i=dB_{min}}^{dB_{max}} d_{dB_i} \times a_{dB_i} \right) \times nt$$

d_{dB_i} = contaminated distance of dB_i (e.g. 14 m of 65 dB)

a_{dB_i} = dB-specific noise cost coefficient (between 0.0–1.0)

nt = "personal" noise tolerance coefficient (between e.g. 0.1–4.0)



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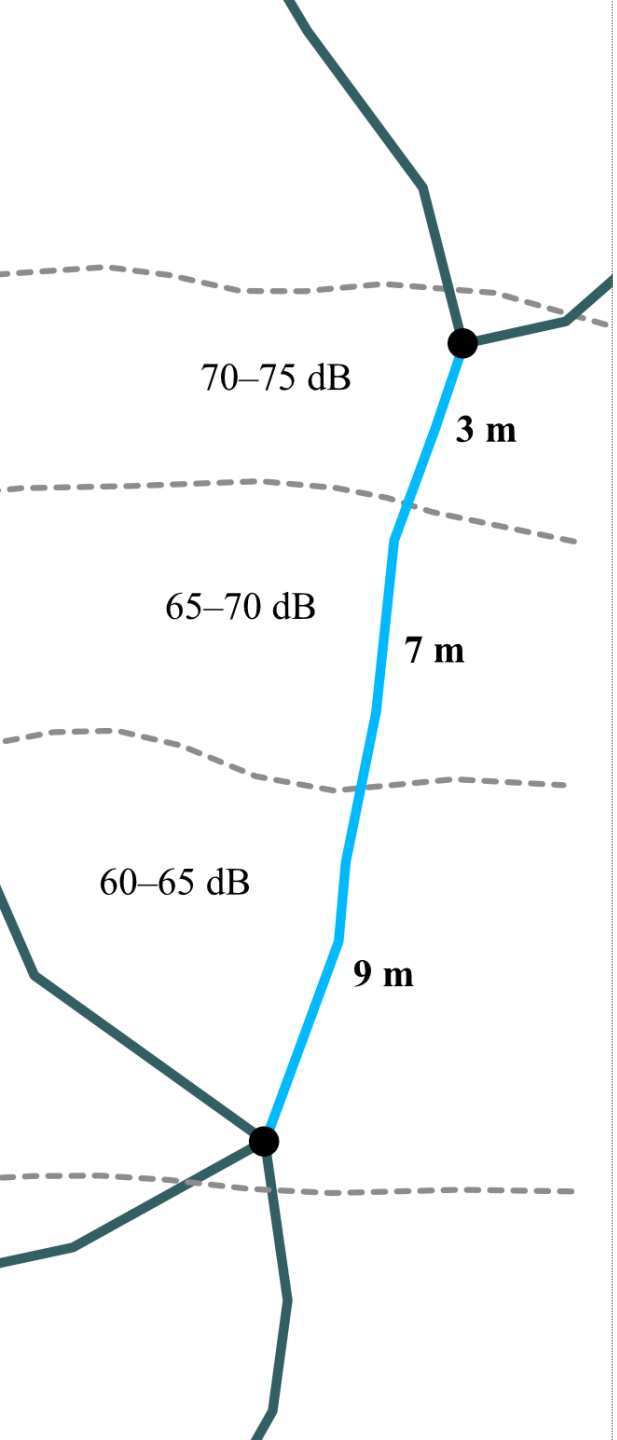
$$= 5.1 \times nt$$

dB	Noise coefficient (a_{dB_i})
45–50	0.0
50–55	0.1
55–60	0.2
60–65	0.3
65–70	0.4
70–75	0.5
75–80	0.6



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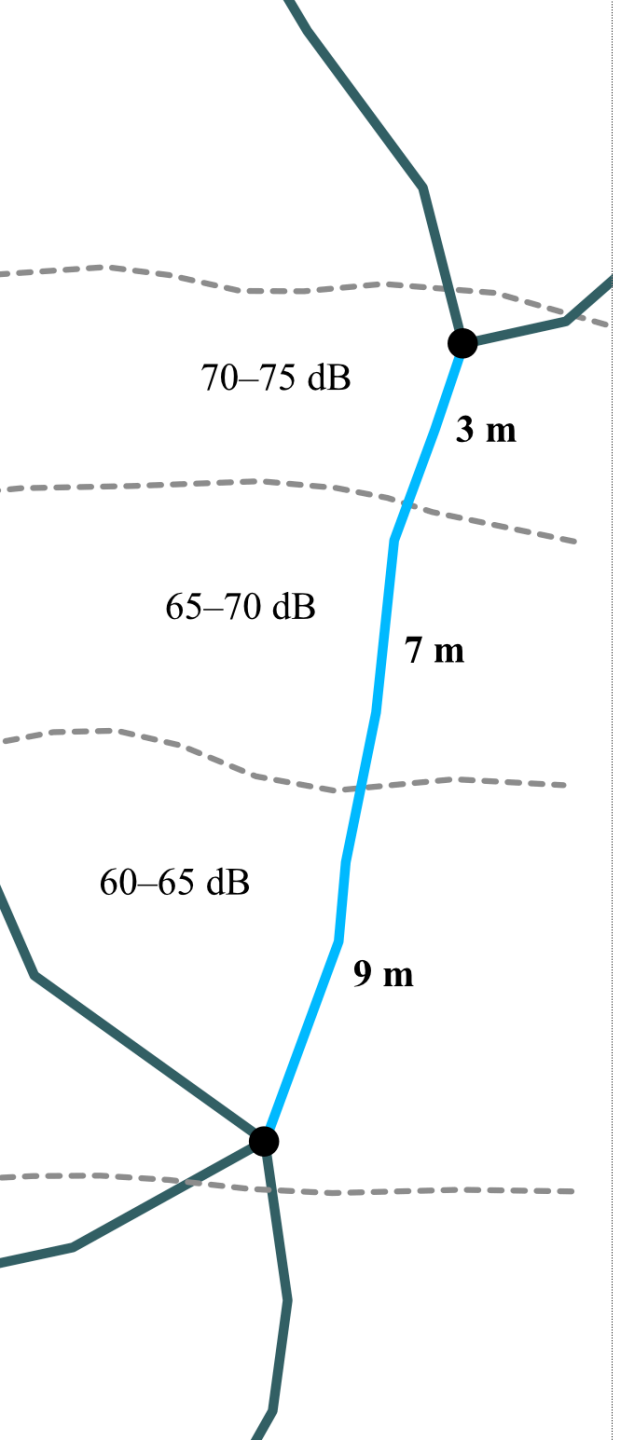

QUIET PATH ROUTING

- For one routing problem, many alternative (quiet) paths are calculated with different edge costs
- Parallel edge costs are calculated with systematically altering *nt*
  - $C_{en} = (\sum_{i=dB_{min}}^{dB_{max}} d_{dB_i} \times a_{dB_i}) \times nt$
  - E.g. 0.1, 0.15, 0.25, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 4.0, etc.
- Alternative paths should be compared with respect to:
  1) Difference in exposures to high traffic noise levels (m)
  2) Difference in total distance of the paths (m)

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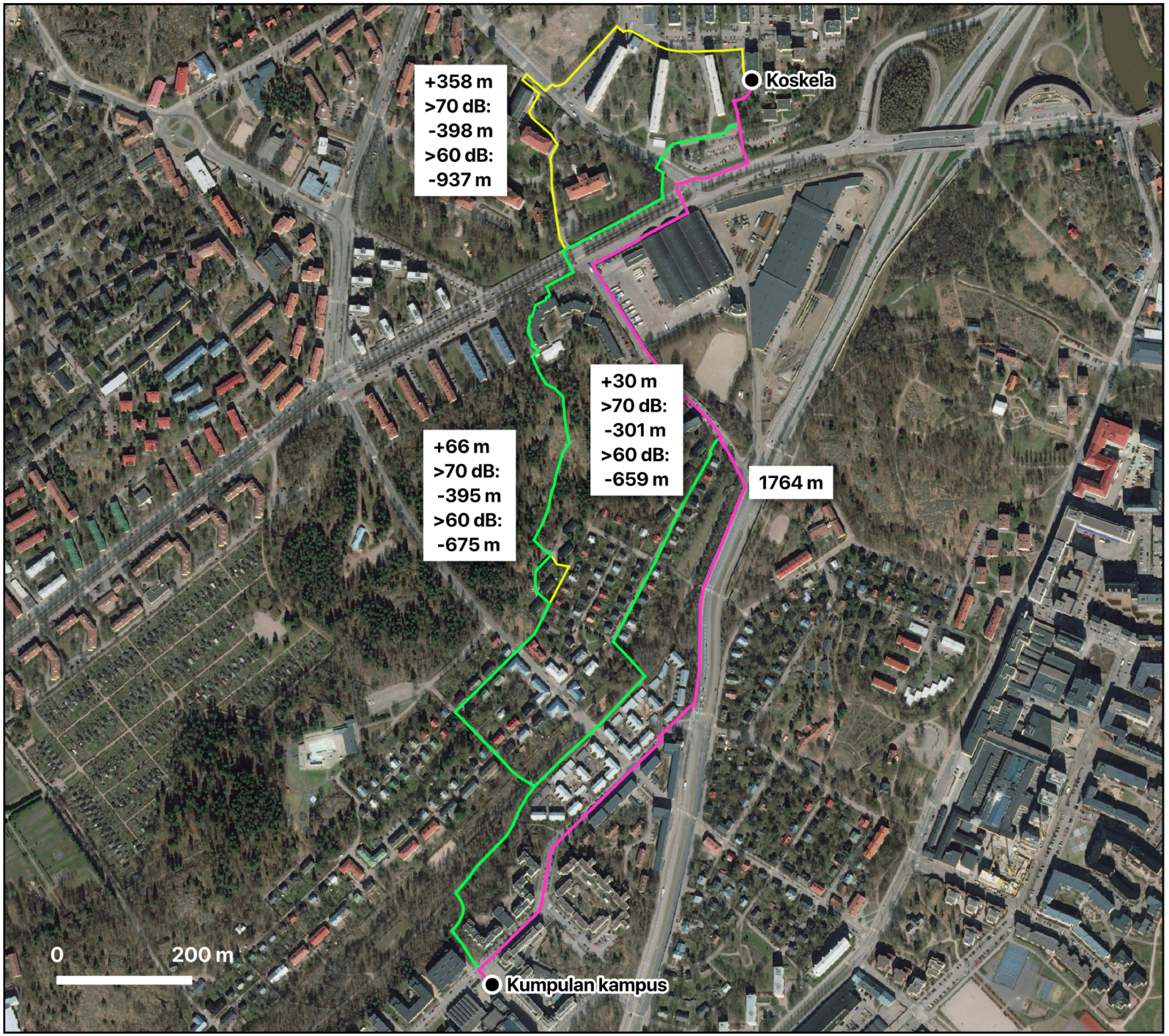
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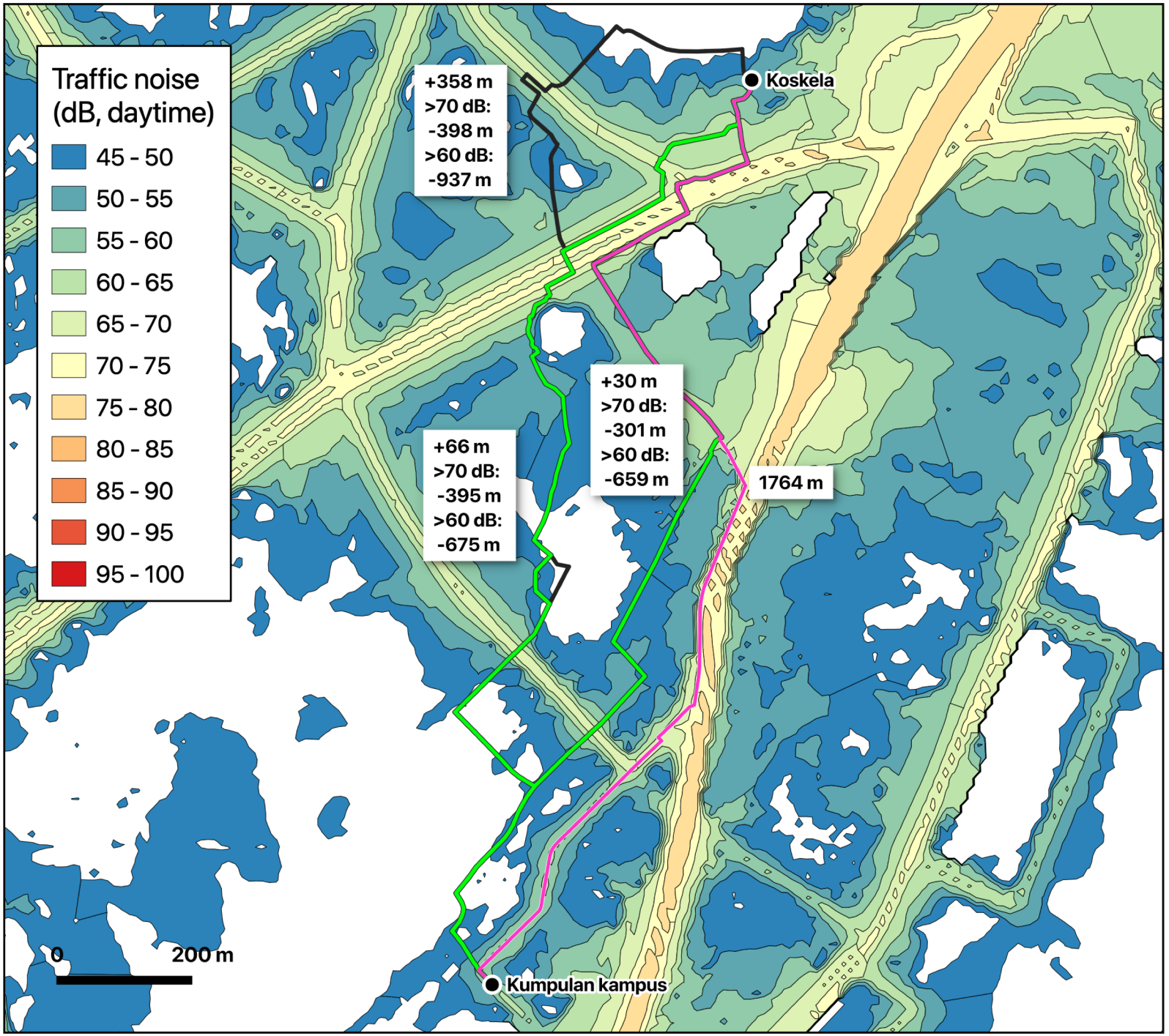
Traffic noise
(dB, daytime)
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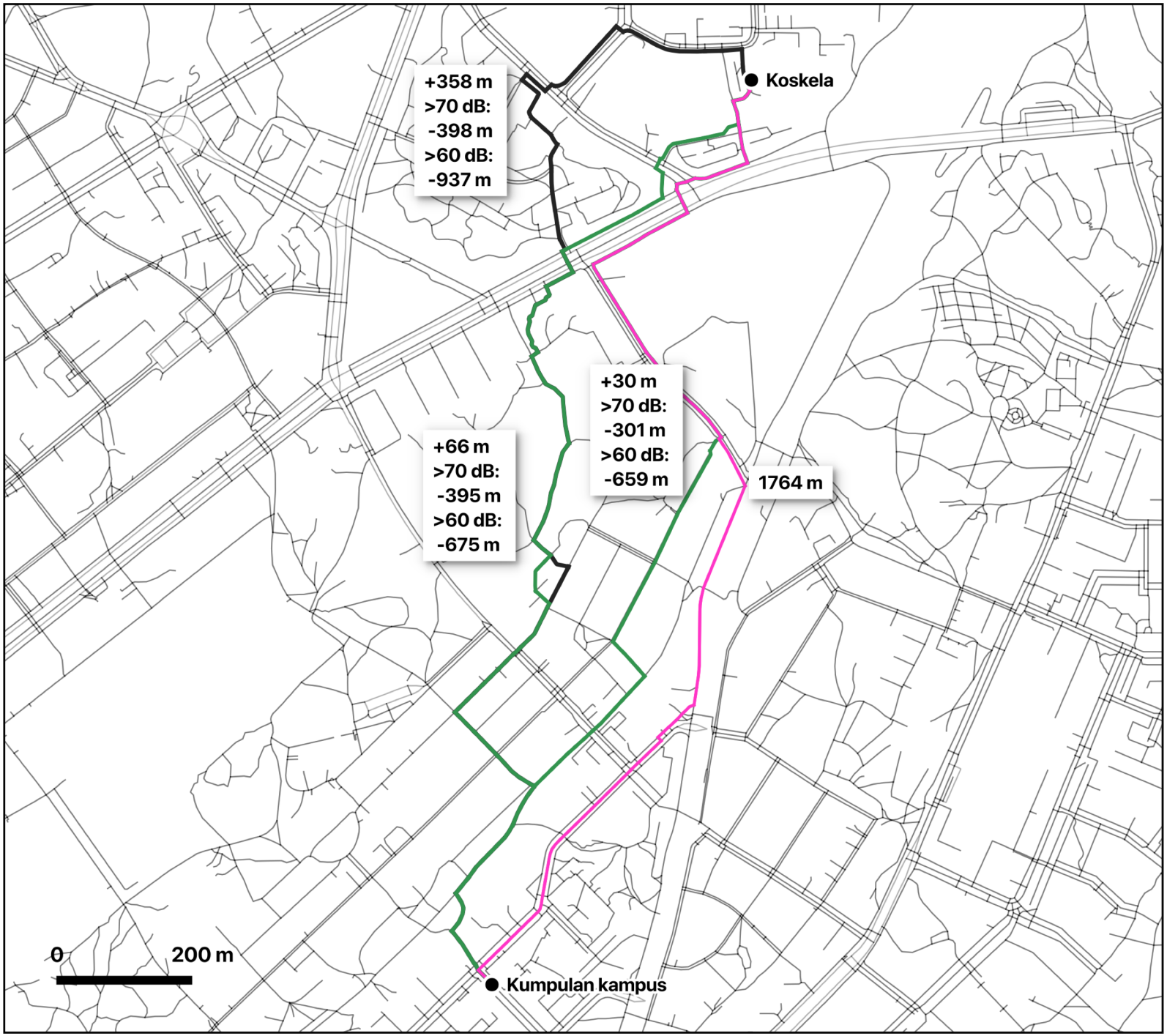
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