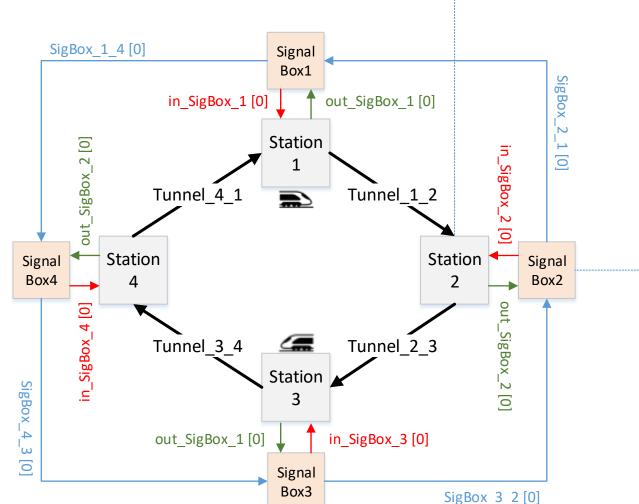
Key:

- Green arrows represent channels that carry messages from station i (for i=1,2,3,4) to the local (ith) signalbox; my naming convention for these channels is out_SigBox_i where the word out indicates that messages are output in the direction from the station to the signalbox (i.e. they go 'out' of the station)
- Red arrows represent channels that carry messages in the opposite direction, i.e. from signalbox i (for i=1,2,3,4) to the local (ith) station; my naming convention for these channels is in_SigBox_i where the word in indicates that messages are output in the direction from the signalbox to the station (i.e. they go 'in' the station)
- Blue arrows represent channels that carry messages from one signalbox to the other; note that a signalbox can only <u>output</u> messages to the preceding signalbox, and can only <u>input</u> messages from the signalbox in advance; my naming convention for these channels in <u>SigBox_i_j</u> where i and j are adjacent signalboxes such that j precedes i and i emits a message to j
- Note that you may (but you are not obliged to) follow my naming convention for the channels
- Also note that all channel described above are sync channels (i.e. they have no capacity to buffer messages); you have to decide for yourselves the types of messages carried by each channel

Note:

It is assumed that all local signals are initially showing red

- Upon arrival of a train (i.e. when in_track?train occurs), it informs the local signalbox by sending an appropriate message on out_SigBox_2.
- In case a train is already in the station (i.e. when train_cnt > 0 is true), it requests from the local signalbox to instruct the local channel to show green; it does so by sending an appropriate message on out_SigBox_2; it then receives a response from the local signalbox that sets the local signal either to green or to red.
- Naturally, the train can only depart (indicated by the communication out_track!train) if the local signal has been set to green.
- Once the train departs, the local signalbox is informed by an appropriate message on out_SigBox_2.



- Initially ready to receive a message either on out SigBox 2 or on SigBox 3 2
- A message is received on <code>out_SigBox_2</code> on three distinct occasions:
 - upon arrival of a train at the local station (say occasion 'A')
 - upon request from the local station to set the local signal to green (say occasion 'R')
 - upon departure of a train from the local station (say occasion 'D')
- A message is received on SigBox_3_2 when a train arrives at Station 3, i.e. when a train that used to occupy Tunnel 2 3 arrives at Station 3 and therefore clears Tunnel 2 3
- In <u>occasion 'A'</u>, the signalBox sends a message to the preceding signalbox to inform it that Tunnel_1_2 is now empty
- In <u>occasion 'R'</u>, the signalbox replies to the request either by sending a 'proceed' message on channel in_SigBox_2 that instructs the local signal to show green, or by sending a 'do not proceed' message on channel in_SigBox_2 that instructs the local signal to show red; naturally, a 'proceed' message can only be issued if the tunnel in advance (Tunnel_2_3 in this case) is not occupied, otherwise a 'do not proceed' message must be emitted.
- In <u>occasion 'D'</u>, the signalbox flags the tunnel in advance (i.e. (Tunnel_2_3) as occupied, and emits a 'do not proceed' message on channel in_SigBox_2 that instructs the local signal to show red.
- Upon receipt of a message on $SigBox_3_2$ the signalbox flags the tunnel in advance (i.e. (Tunnel_2_3) as not occupied.
- The behaviour described in the bullets above repeats, of course, indefinitely.