NYC Subway: Interlined, or Deinterlined?

(COMP3125 Individual Project)

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I. INTRODUCTION (HEADING 1)

The New York City subway is an interesting beast, created back in the early 20th century to transport commuters throughout the boroughs, to help clear congestion within the city. Several lines were created, primarily running on shared tracks through downtown Manhattan. This is commonly known as interlining, and it has its problems, such as delaying trains if one breaks down within a station, or if the track along the line fails. A single delay on one train line can fan out to delay all the other lines. This brings up the question, how does interlining affect the NYC subway? Does it significantly change the average margins of time that it takes for a train to take its route, end to end? Was interlining the right way for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) to go?

II. DATASETS

A. Source of dataset (Heading 2)

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My datasets originate from the MTA itself, on the NY State Govt website. This makes them credible, as they are maintained by the state government, and the MTA itself. They are produced from statistics generated from subway metrics, and originally were produced at the start of 2024 and 2025, as that is the timeframe of available data from when I began this project.

B. Character of the datasets

Describe the dataset's format and size. Additionally, provide an overview of the dataset's characteristics, including its features, size, structure, and any relevant attributes that are important for your analysis. Describe the dataset's format and size, as well as its key features, including the parameters, columns, rows, and character attributes along with their respective units. Using a table to present this information is recommended for clarity. Explain whether you cleaned the data or converted any units, specifying the formulas or rules applied. If multiple datasets were combined, describe how they were merged. Additionally, mention if you created any

new categories for analysis, detailing what they are and how they were generated. Providing this background ensures transparency and helps readers understand the reliability and relevance of your data.

The datasets formats are all CSVs, and contain various columns, but they all shared month, division, and line. One dataset type, the Subway Terminal On-Time Performance dataset, has an included day_type, num_on_time_trips, num_sched_trips, and terminal_on_time_performance.

The Customer Journey Focused Metrics contained a different set, being period, num_passengers, additional_platform_time, additional_train_time, total_apt, total_att, over_five_mins, over_five_mins_perc, as well as the final value of customer journey time performance.

These columns remain the same across beginning 2020 and beginning 2025, but the main difference is for the Subway Terminal dataset, there is 2,686 rows of data in the 2020 dataset while there is only 90 for 2025. This is similar for the Customer Journey dataset, where there is 2,856 rows of data in 2020, compared to the 96 from the 2025 dataset. On top of this, I joined the 2020 and 2025 datasets, and cleaned out any duplicate data, just to make sure that they were not overlapping. The joins create no new columns, and only are to merge the data to be easier to work with on each respective dataset.

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VI. CONCLUSION

In this part, you should summarize your project. What important results did you find for your topic and what's the effect of this result on the real-world?

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