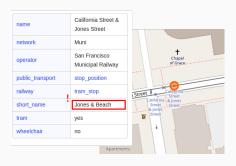
staty: Quality Assurance for Public Transit Stations in OpenStreetMap

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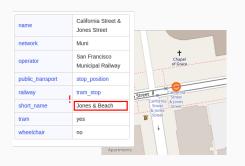








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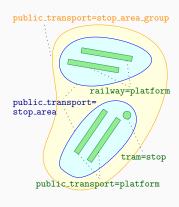
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Simplified station hierarchy model



lvl	tag	value
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1	<pre>public_transport</pre>	stop_area
0	public_transport	stop_position, platform,stop, halt,station
	highway	bus_stop, platform
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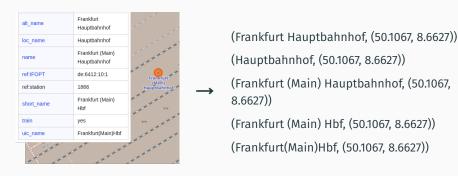
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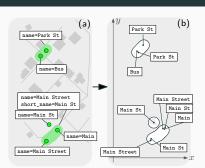
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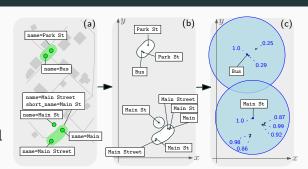
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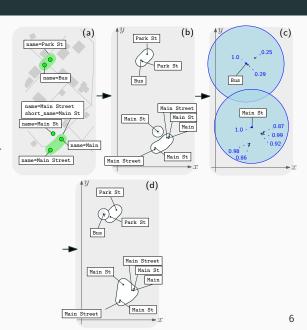
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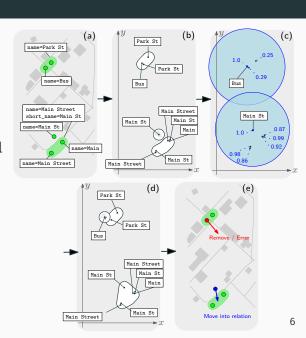
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