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Think Forward

Adding Counts to Networks

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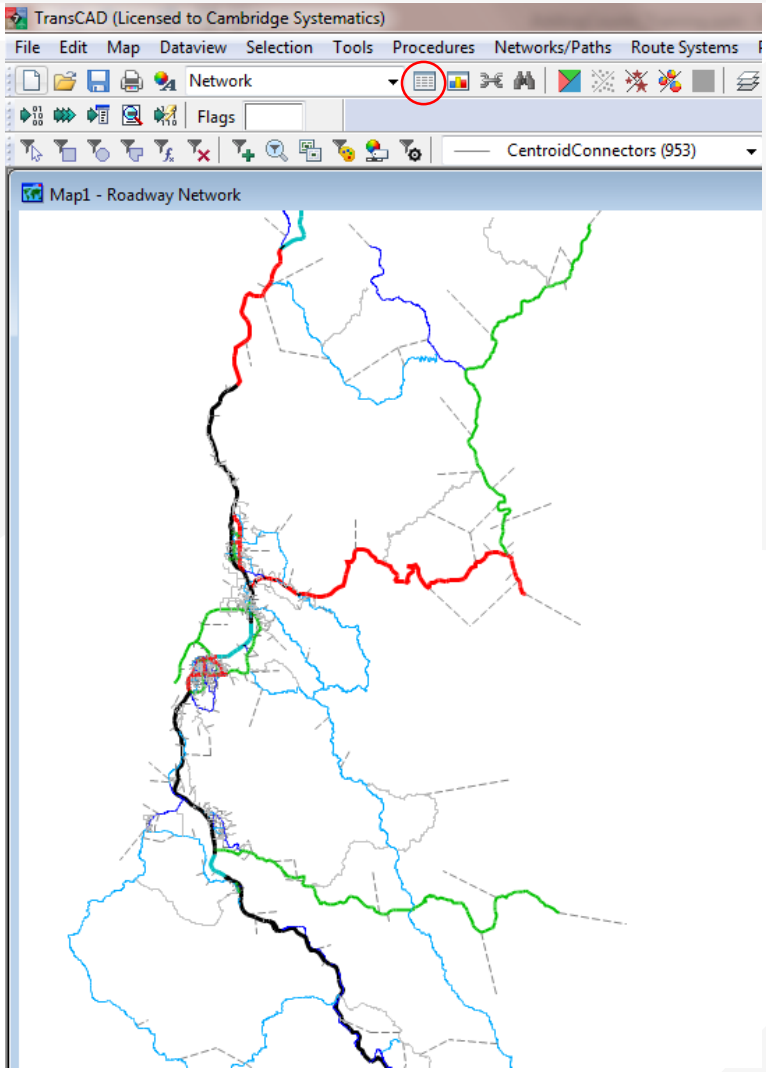
Check the Counts Spreadsheet

- Remove any formula errors (#REF, #DIV/0, #VALUE)
- Remove any peak hour information that is calculated based on daily by applying the peak hour factor
  - Not real observed data so shouldn't be entered as such
- Ensure no duplicate link TransCAD Links IDs unless multiple counts are available for the exact same location
  - Eg. One of the links had incorrect ID

Open Network & Dataview



- Open Network in TransCAD
- Open the Dataview
- Go to Dataview-Modify Table

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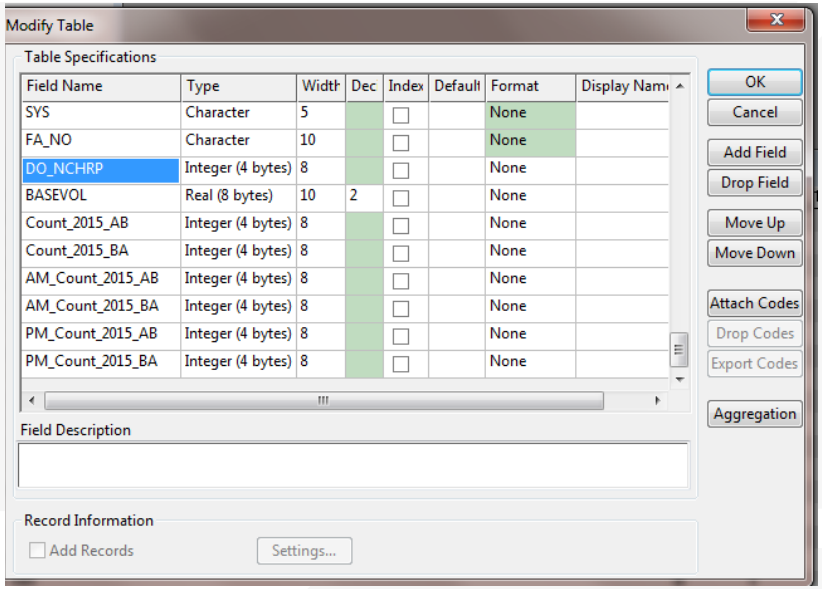
Modify Table

- Add 6 Integer (4 bytes) fields:
  - COUNT_2015_AB
  - COUNT_2015_BA
  - AM_COUNT_2015_AB
  - AM_COUNT_2015_BA
  - PM_COUNT_2015_AB
  - PM_COUNT_2015_BA



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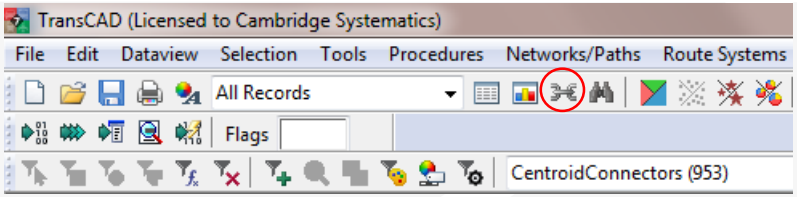
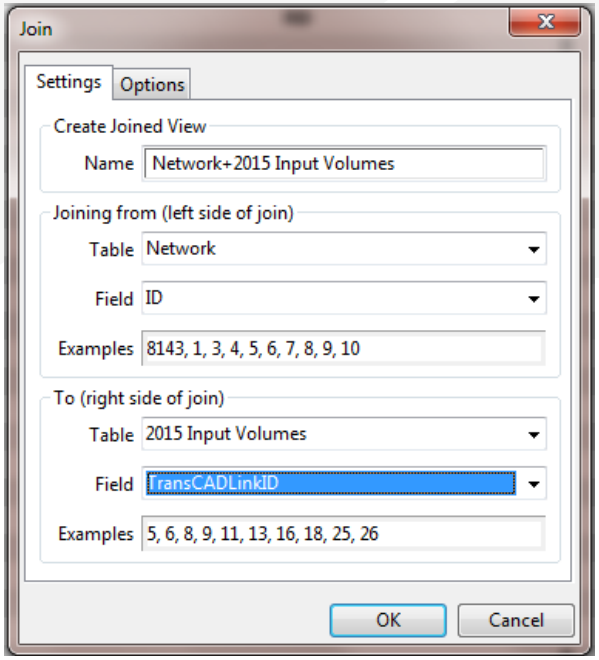
Join Counts Spreadsheet





- Join Dataview with Counts from Excel Spreadsheet based on field ID=TransCADLinkID

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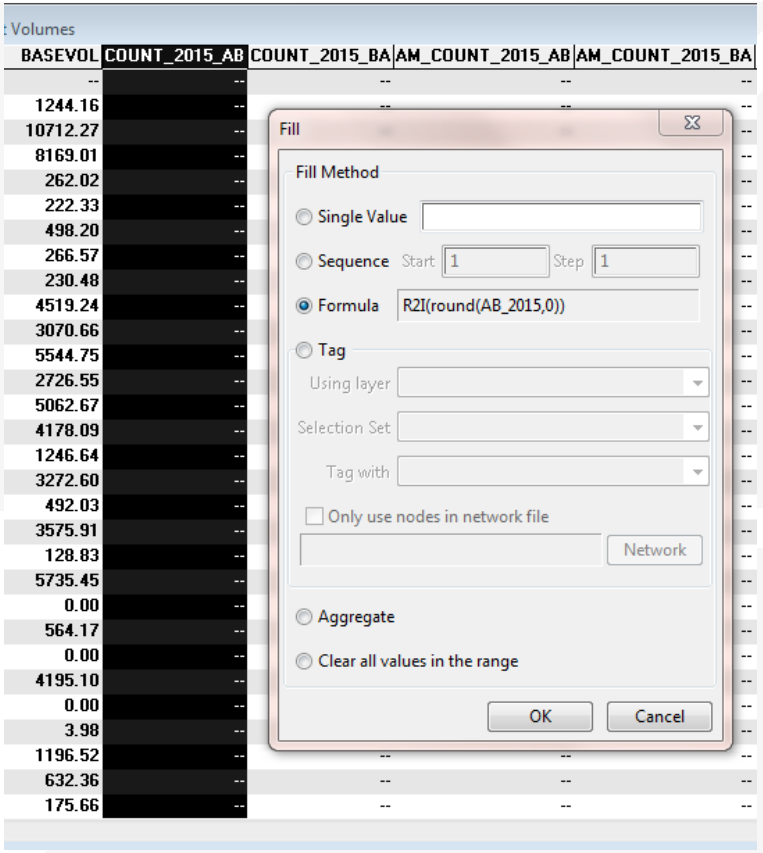
Filling in Counts on Network

- Right click on each of the newly added count fields and select “Fill”
- Select “Formula” and enter the corresponding count field (ie. AB_2015 for Count_2015_AB)
- Note the values will be rounded because the field is an integer



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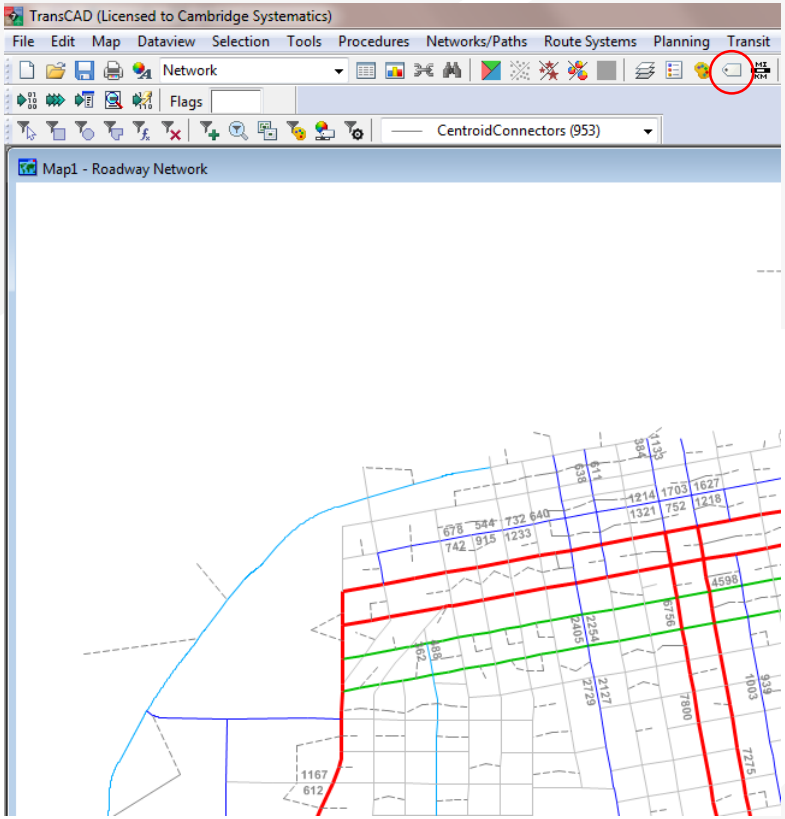
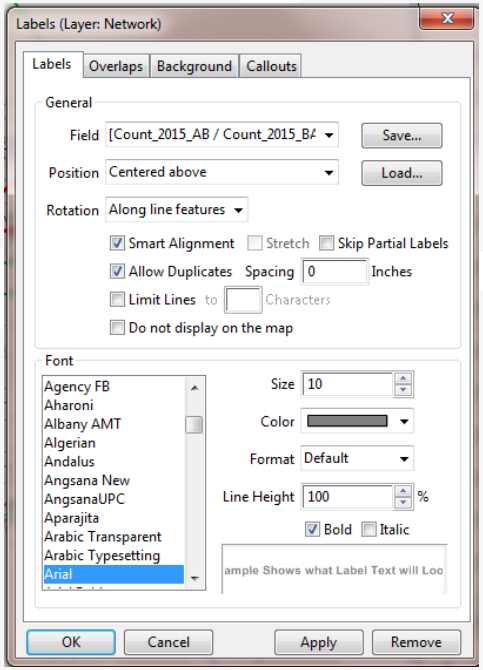
Label Counts on the Network

- Select the label tool
- Label based on Count_2015_AB/Count_2015_BA





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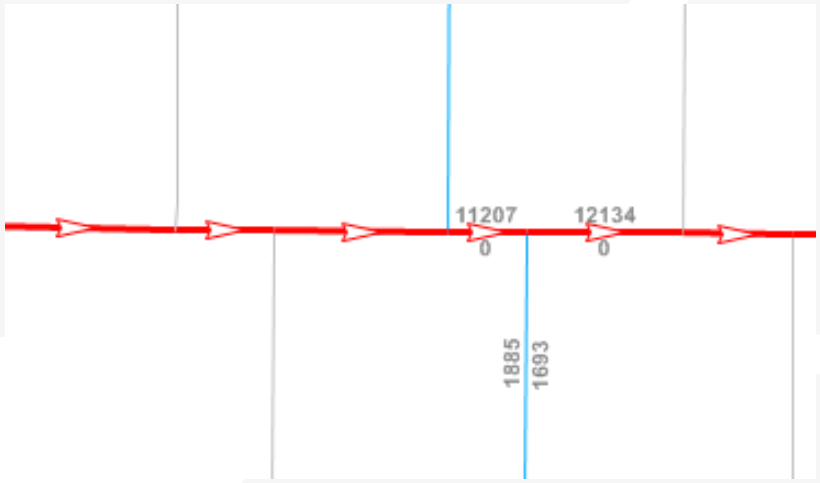
Checking Counts

- Some counts appear to have been coded on the wrong side of the road
- In this example, the link is one-way in the EB direction but there are WB counts on it



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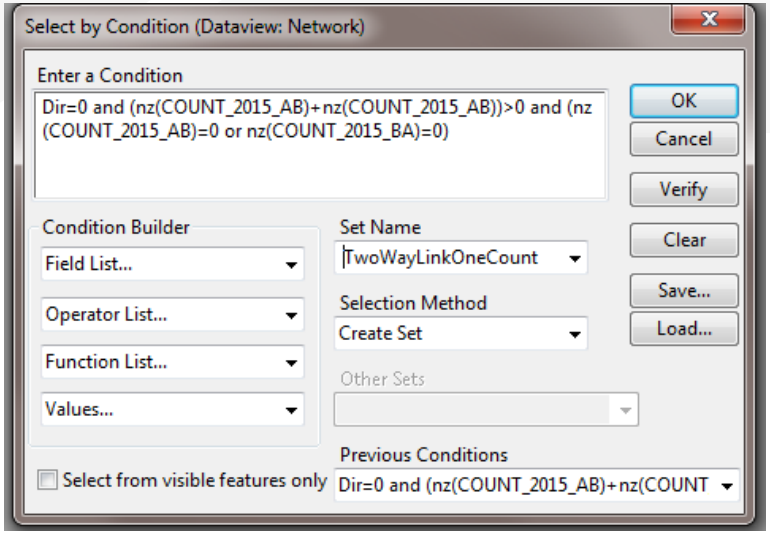
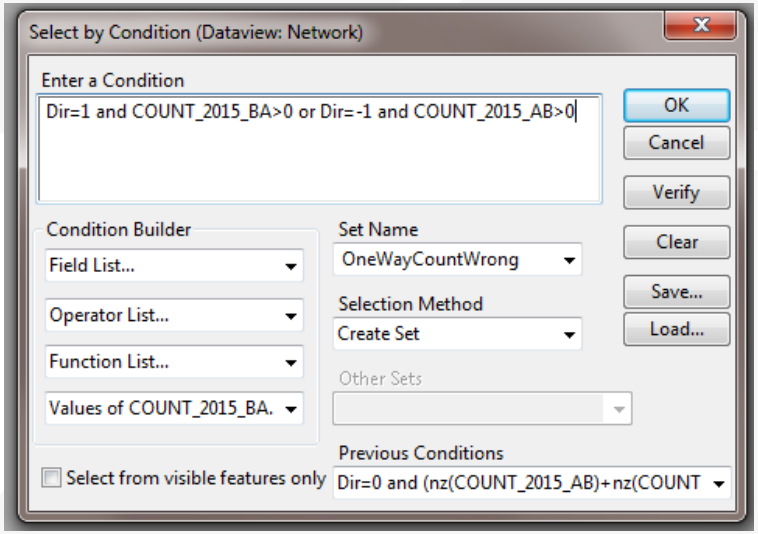
Identifying Wrong Coding

- To identify two-way links where only one-way counts are available use



- To identify one-way links with incorrect directional counts use



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Assigning Counts Correctly

- In the counts spreadsheet instead of manually filling in the AB and BA counts, use a formula
- Assuming the spreadsheet includes Direction of Topology, NB_EB_Count, and SB_WB_Count
- For AB_count use:
  - if(Direction of Topology="NB" or Direction of Topology="EB", NB_EB_Count, SB_WB_Count)
- For BA_count use:
  - if(Direction of Topology="SB" or Direction of Topology="WB", SB_WB_Count, NB_EB_Count)