

Some Principles and Design of HS₂

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Maximising capacity and connectivity, minimising journey time – with reliable operation



HS2 initial network connects 8 of th

- Journey times are before and after HS2 (in hoursminutes)
- Based on operation at up to 360km/h
- London to

| • | Birmingham | 1-24 to <mark>0-49</mark> |
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| • | Manchester | 2-08 to 1-08 |
| • | Leeds | 2-12 to <mark>1-22</mark> |

• Birmingham to

| • | Manchester | 1-34 to <mark>0-41</mark> |
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| • | Leeds | 2-05 to <mark>0-49</mark> |

Note Red is HS2 new HS line Blue is through services on existing lines



Standard HSR technology and international technical standards



What is HS2 capable of technically?

- Capacity
 - A two track HS2 line is capable of carrying more people than two 3-lane motorways
 - Or the equivalent of a jumbo jet a minute
- Reliability
 - Under ¹/₂ minute delay per train on HS₂ infrastructure
- Speed
 - Up to 360km/h where justified
- Connectivity

Stations in the best locations to generate growth



Station location is very important



New Central Birmingham Station



Central Birmingham

- HS2 is at the centre of a masterplan
- Potential for:
 - 36,000 jobs
 - 5m sq ft of employment space
 - 4,000 new homes
 - £1.4bn of economic benefit

