
Subject: Re: [railML3] Time Dimension requirements from TT view

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Dear Gerben,

thank your for your reply.

I understand that you opt for only a small amount of shared time-related structures between <infra> and <timetable> sub-schemes of railML.

This may be the easiest way but I am currently not convinced of it being the best way.

As you wrote, there is a "grey zone" which is not exactly defined. (There may be different opinions about where the responsibility of an infrastructure department ends and where a "timetable" begins.) Also, from my experience, the grey zone becomes larger each year with more and more infrastructure work influencing the timetables (less "stable" infrastructure).

So, I think there should be a common solution. Since <timetable> has naturally more time-related elements than infrastructure, it could be advisable to adopt <timetable> structures for <infrastructure>.

Unfortunately, the appointment of 21th of February (of the year 2017, I presume) comes a little bit too quick for me to join. However, if I can help anyway with experience or structures please don't hesitate to contact me.

With best regards,
Dirk Bräuer.

Am 15.02.2017 um 14:46 schrieb Schut, GD (Gerben):

> Dear RailML TT community,

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> First I'd like to introduce myself: I'm Gerben Schut, part of the Infra
> Structure WG for RailML for about 2 years, Information Architect @
> ProRail (NL), and have almost 10 years experience with the Dutch
> Infrastructure software (Infra Atlas), where the time dimension on
> infrastructure is managed now for about 15 years.

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> I would like to thank you for the answers from Dirk Bräuer. They are
> really helpful in understanding the needs of the TT community regarding
> the time dimension and what it means for the infrastructure information.

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- > As you mentioned it is important to understand the different time
 - > dimension dynamics: Time Tabling always requires a stable
 - > Infrastructure, and changes in Infrastructure will almost always lead to
 - > a changed timetable. So a specific time table will be based on one
 - > stable infrastructure situation.
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 - > Time dimension in Time tabling is not the same as Time dimension in
 - > Infrastructure.
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 - > These different situations require a different model, although of
 - > course some base elements could and should be shared (like xml:time).
 - > Therefore it is good to get to know each other needs and use cases, so
 - > we can be clear about the different parts and about the shared parts.
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 - > It will be very interesting to discover the grey zone: There where the
 - > Infrastructure is less stable (IE bridge closing times, opening hours of
 - > tracks/stations), the Time Table will depend on those variations. At
 - > least there where the changing times on the Infrastructure are stable
 - > (bridge is always open from 7:00 - 7:15 pm) the interfacing between
 - > infrastructure and time table should be defined and information
 - > exchangeable, so these should be clearly formatted in the RTM to get
 - > them properly into RailML.
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 - > We have planned to meet with the Infrastructure time dimension subgroup
 - > on 21th of February in Frankfurt. We will try to understand both worlds,
 - > and post any remaining questions in this forum topic. Thanks for your
 - > kind understanding and support!
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 - > Kind Regards,
 - > Gerben Schut
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