
Subject: Semantic of @type in <track> and mapping to national usage?

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Dear IS-Community,

following the rules for the Discussion pages (see

http://wiki.railml.org/index.php?title=Dev:Wiki_Documentation_Guidelines#Discussion_Pages
i have to move the existing discussion about semantic of @type in
<track> and the mapping to national usage to this forum.

In the IS Developers group the a unclear mapping for the classifications
of the track in the type attribute was discussed and shall be improved
in a future version:

=== German usage / Deutsche Anwendung ===

The usage in Germany is currently AFAIK:

Durchgehendes Hauptgleis; pro Betriebsstelle immer Eines bei je Eingleisiger und Zwei je
zweigleisiger Strecken, mit Zugstraße Hauptgleis; alle anderen Gleise mit mindestens einer
Zugstraße Nebengleis; alle anderen Gleise ohne Zugstraßen, nur Rangierfahrten
Gleisverbindung; Gleise ohne eigenen Verkehrswert, in Weichenverbindungen, Überleitungen
The mapping for mainTrack to Deutschland:durchgehendes Hauptgleis is
nearby, but what's with the others:

secondaryTrack: This is a track not frequently used (e. g. for overtaking only). connectingTrack:

This is a transfer track from one to another track e. g. in branches, points or cross overs.

sidingTrack: This is a siding. stationTrack: This is a track in a station, possibly with platforms.

other: anything Any value that does not fit any value from the previous enumeration list, fulfilling
the constraint: at minimum two characters, whitespace is not allowed.

Any opinions for railML® 2.x and for a refactoring in railML® 3.x?

Best regards,

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