
Subject: Re: Reference to PositioningSystem
Posted by [christian.rahmig](#) on Mon, 17 Sep 2018 11:19:43 GMT
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Dear all,

Am 04.09.2018 um 11:34 schrieb Airy Magnien:

- > [...] After review with RTM experts and
- > talkback with C. Rahmig, this is where we are:
- > Role 'positioningSystem' of class
- > AssociatedPositioningSystem shall be made optional
- > (cardinality 0..1 instead of 1). This leaves the possibility
- > to omit redundant info. However it is not clear why this
- > redundancy would cause a genuine problem. Our compromise
- > solution is:
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- > - We insist that the relation shall be maintained, because
- > it embodies the meaning of the AssociatedPositioningSystem
- > class;
- > - We recommend to use this redundancy for consistency
- > checking;
- > - We demand not to mix coordinates referring to different
- > positioning systems in one same composition, because this is
- > why the class "AssociatedPositioningSystem" has been
- > introduced in the first place.
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railML.org appreciates the decision of RTM Expert Group to make the positioningSystem reference in class AssociatedPositioningSystem optional. The resulting simplified solution has been implemented with railML 3.1 beta 2 that is available in [1].

From modelling point of view, I generally prefer solutions without redundancy in order to limit risk of inconsistencies. So, maybe the question to be answered in future is whether the positioningSystem reference shall be located in class AssociatedPositioningSystem OR in PositioningSystemCoordinate.

[1] <https://svn.railml.org/railML3/tags/railML-3.1-beta2/>

Best regards
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