
Subject: Re: Include track length information in topology
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I am pleased to see this suggestion included in version 3.1b2. However, it has not been done quite consistently. Some elements introduced in the previous approach towards this problem (as per forum post referred in the main post) have been left in the model, resulting in redundant information.

Classes `SpotLocationOnTrack` and `LinearLocationOnTrack` should be removed, along with references from class `Entity` to them (`trackPosition` and `trackSection` respectively).

`TrackNode` class should also be removed, with the consequences that

- child classes `Switch`, `BufferStop`, `Border` and `Crossing` need to be reparented from `FunctionalInfrastructureEntity`
- relations from `Track` class should be removed, i.e. `trackBegin` and `trackEnd`
- "use" relation from `Track` class should be removed from diagram `railML3_IS_FunctionalTypes` (the diagram should also be renamed to better reflect the remaining information in it)
- the whole diagram `railML3_IS_Functional_Track-and-Tracknode` should be removed

Another minor observation is about the naming of the new attributes, related to physical length, in class `RTM_AssociatedNetElement`. They are now called `fromPos` and `toPos`, whereas my suggestion was `posBegin` and `posEnd`. The difference may be insignificant, but since the corresponding intrinsic coordinate attributes are called `intrinsicCoordBegin` and `intrinsicCoordEnd`, I think my suggestion makes the connection between the two positioning views clearer.
