
Subject: train uniqueness constraint II

Posted by [Andreas Tanner](#) on Wed, 26 Jun 2013 08:10:48 GMT

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--Andreas.

Subject: Re: train uniqueness constraint II

Posted by on Fri, 19 Jul 2013 15:55:51 GMT

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Dear Andreas and all others,

I understand the wish to transmit the same train for several process status. From the first view, there should be no objection against extending the primary key of <trains> with the attribute processStatus.

First - by the way - it is already possible to do what you need: Add the train twice, one with processStatus=planned, the other with processStatus=changed; give one the additionalTrainNumber=1 and the other additionalTrainNumber=2, both with scope=primary. Simply select the next available additionalTrainNumber if you want to add a new "version" of a train.

However, there is a need to move the attribute processStatus from <train> either to <trainPartSequence> or <trainPart>: A train can be "ordered" at one section and "changed" or anything else at another section. This normally happens with trains operating via several IMs.

So if possibly processStatus has moved to <trainPartSequence> in a future version, it would not be available for the primary key anymore.

There are several possible options for that, e. g.:

a) To extend the primary key of <train> with processStatus and additionally to introduce a new processStatus at either <trainPartSequence> or <trainPart>. This would fulfill all needs but it may be treated as too complicated: There may be conflicts between the concurring processStatus.

b) To move the processStatus to either <trainPartSequence> or <trainPart>, leave the primary key of <trains> as it is (w/o processStatus) and use the attribute additionalTrainNumber (with scope=primary) to distinguish between the status you wanted.

Dear Joachim as the coordinator - what do you think? Please note that from now on we have two wishes in this thread: (1) the possible extension of the primary key with processStatus and (2) to move or reintroduce processStatus to <trainPartSequence> or <trainPart>.

With best regards,
Dirk.

Am 26.06.2013, 10:10 Uhr, schrieb Andreas Tanner <ata@ivu.de>:

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