
Geographic information — Schema for moving features

Information géographique — Schéma des entités mobiles



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Foreword

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Introduction

This International Standard specifies a conceptual schema that addresses moving features, i.e., features whose locations change over time. This schema includes classes, attributes, associations and operations that provide a common conceptual framework that can be implemented to support various application areas that deal with moving features, including:

- Location Based Services,
- Intelligent Transportation Systems,
- Tracking and navigation (land based, marine, or space), and
- Modeling and simulation.

The schema specifies mechanisms to describe motion consisting of translation and/or rotation of the feature, but not including deformation of the feature. The schema is based on the concept of a one parameter set of geometries that may be viewed as a set of leaves or a set of trajectories, where a leaf represents the geometry of the moving feature at a particular value of the parameter (e.g., a point in time) and a trajectory is a curve that represents the path of a point in the geometry of the moving feature as it moves with respect to the parameter.

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1 Scope

This International Standard defines a method to describe the geometry of a feature that moves as a rigid body. Such movement has the following characteristics.

- a) The feature moves within any domain composed of spatial objects as specified in ISO 19107.
- b) The feature may move along a planned route, but it may deviate from the planned route.
- c) Motion may be influenced by physical forces, such as orbital, gravitational, or inertial forces.
- d) Motion of a feature may influence or be influenced by other features, for example:
 - 1) The moving feature might follow a predefined route (e.g. road), perhaps part of a network, and might change routes at known points (e.g. bus stops, waypoints).
 - 2) Two or more moving features may be “pulled” together or pushed apart (e.g. an airplane will be refuelled during flight, a predator detects and tracks a prey, refugee groups join forces).
 - 3) Two or more moving features may be constrained to maintain a given spatial relationship for some period (e.g. tractor and trailer, convoy).

This International Standard does not address other types of change to the feature. Examples of changes that are not addressed include the following:

- The deformation of features.
- The succession of either features or their associations.
- The change of non-spatial attributes of features.
- The feature’s geometric representation cannot be embedded in a geometric complex that contains the geometric representations of other features, since this would require the other features’ representations to be updated as the feature moves.

Because this International Standard is concerned with the geometric description of feature movement, it does not specify a mechanism for describing feature motion in terms of geographic identifiers. This is done, in part, in ISO 19133.

2 Conformance

2.1 Conformance classes

2.1.1 Introduction

This International Standard specifies four conformance classes (Table 1). They are differentiated on the basis of two criteria: purpose and level of complexity.