# OTM5 Communication

#### From X(ML) to OTM5

#### **XML**

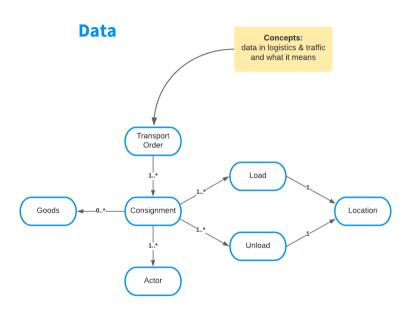
- Is a markup language/ file format
- Contains structure of the messages (+ validation using XSDs)

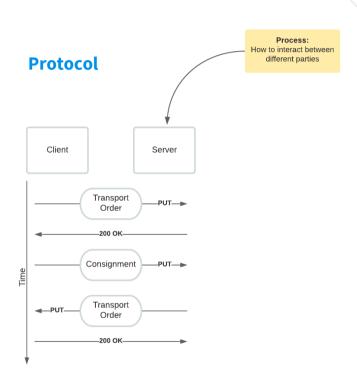
#### OTM5

- A semantic model containing the structure and the interpretation of messages in traffic and logistics
- A protocol on how to communicate
- Is always in JSON



#### What is OTM?





## Flexibel & future proof

#### **JSON & Versioning**

Backwards and forwards compatible between versions.

# **Associations (relations of entities)**

Different use cases require different data.

#### **External Attributes**

Important data inside businesses outside of OTM.

#### **OpenAPI & REST**

Widely used standards for (describing) distributed systems



## **JSON & Semantic Versioning**

#### **Backwards compatible**

JSON valid according to OTM5.0 will be valid according to OTM5.x

So nothing will be removed or changed (only additions)

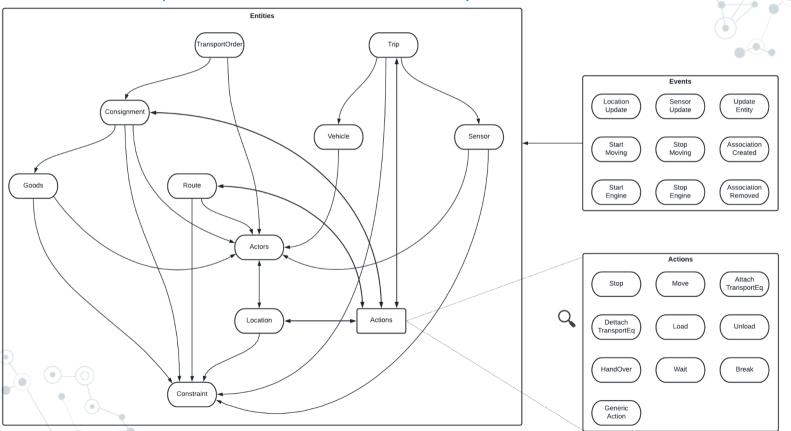
#### Forwards compatible

JSON valid according to OTM5.x will be valid according to OTM5.0\*



<sup>\*</sup> As long as you ignore instead of reject

# Associations (relations between entities)



#### Downside?

More room for misinterpretation & confusion

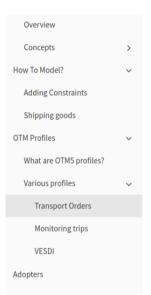
Question: In Consignment, when put contraints on consignment-level and when on goods-level? #42



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#### **Profiles**



#### **Exchanging Transport Orders**

#### Overview

The very first step of transporting goods from one place to another starts with the *transport order*. It is concerned with what needs to be transported under what constraints (i.e. before a certain date, or below a certain temperature). It is generally the initial communication between a *carrier* and a *shipper*. Afterwards, the transport order is served as input in creating actual planning data as part of the Monitoring Trips profile.

#### **General structure**

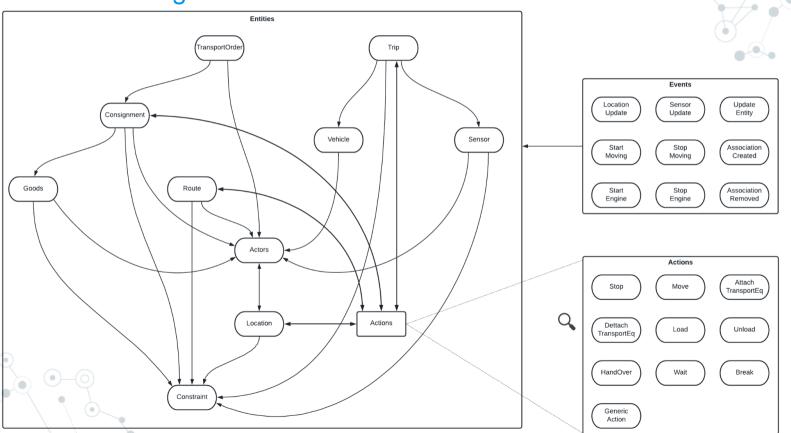
At the bottom of the hierarchy we have goods, physical units with dimensions, weights, etc. that need to be transported. Goods are part of a consignment, which is an administrative unit that groups the goods together. Note that groups within one consignment cannot be split, they are always part of the same transported unit. If goods need or can be split they should be part of different consignments.

On the top of the chain, we have the transport order, that is able to group multiple consignments. For example, because they are part of one assignment given by some shipper.

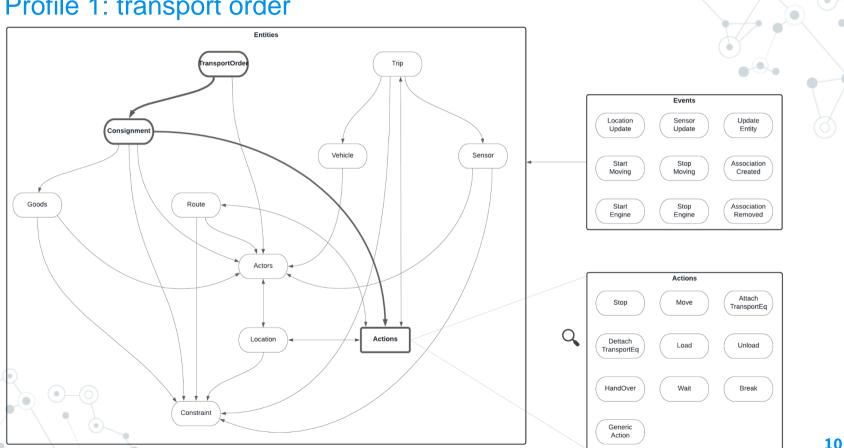
This can be visualized as follows, where the grayed out entities, associations, events and actions are not relevant for this profile:

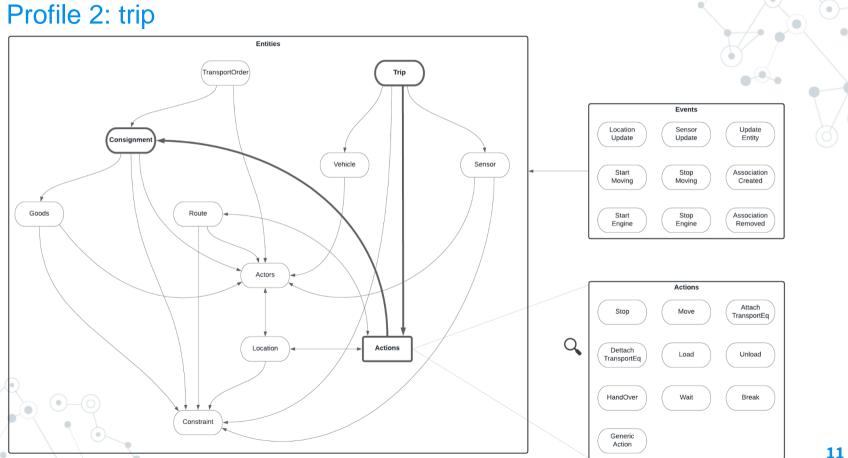


# Associations again



# Profile 1: transport order





# **Goal of OTM**

Reduce the amount of custom work (not eliminate it)



