

SportsML & NAR

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Links

- <http://www.SportsML.org/dev/milan/nar>
- ★ Download the PowerPoint Presentation
- ★ Download the Example Zipfile
- ★ Join the Chatroom within the [iptcmembers Yahoo!Group](#)
 - <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/iptcmembers/chat>

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NAR Tutorial & SportsML Examples

■ Disclaimer!

- ◆ I haven't read all the messages on all the newsgroups
- ◆ I've spent some time with the specs and samples, but not a ton of time
- ◆ These draft specs have changed even yesterday, I'm told
- ◆ All syntax is approximate
- ◆ Suggestions for Draft 2 of the SportsML NAR Examples are welcome!

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NAR At-A-Glance

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
<pre> sender transmissionId priority origin destination channel itemCollection (news:item package:item topic:item)* </pre>	<pre> coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta newsMeta --locationOfOrigin? content* --characteristics --contentType --format --size --(text struct binary)? </pre>	<pre> coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta root? group* --link* --itemMeta --contentMeta --groupRef* </pre>	<pre> topicMeta --conceptId* struct </pre>

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<newsMessage> Outline

```

<newsMessage>
  (message MetaData: <sender>, <transmissionId>, <dateOfTransmission>)
  <itemCollection>
    <package:item>
      <itemMeta>
        <contentMeta>
        <package:root idref="ID000000"/>
        <package:group groupid="ID000000" mode="bag" role="post-game-package">
          <package:link>(for Preview)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Matchup)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Lineup)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Box Score)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Recap)</package:link>
        </package:group>
      </package:item>
      <news:item>(for Preview)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Matchup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Lineup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Box Score)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Recap)</news:item>
    </itemCollection>
  </newsMessage>

```

Zoom In: First <contentMeta>

```

<newsMessage>
  (message MetaData: <sender>, <transmissionId>, <dateOfTransmission>)
  <itemCollection>
    <package:item>
      <itemMeta>
        <contentMeta>
        <package:root idref="ID000000"/>
        <package:group groupid="ID000000" mode="bag" role="post-game-package">
          <package:link>(for Preview)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Matchup)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Lineup)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Box Score)</package:link>
          <package:link>(for Recap)</package:link>
        </package:group>
      </package:item>
      <news:item>(for Preview)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Matchup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Lineup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Box Score)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Recap)</news:item>
    </itemCollection>
  </newsMessage>

```

Zoom In: First <contentMeta>

```
<contentMeta>
  <created>2005-10-23T09:30:47.0Z</created>
  <infoSource>
    created="2005-05-11T12:34:56"
    code="url:xmlteam.com"
    type="scheme:code"
    why="iptc-infosource:distributor"
  >
    <title xml:lang="en">XML Team Solutions, Inc.</title>
  </infoSource>
  <title>Post-Game Content Package</title>
  <description>Package containing game-related documents.</description>

  <subject>
    code="subject:1500000"
    type="iptc:nc"
  >
    <title xml:lang="en">Sports</title>
  </subject>

  <subject ...>

```

<contentMeta>: Slew of <subject>s

```
<subject>
  code="subject:1500000"
  type="iptc:nc"
  >
  <title xml:lang="en">Sports</title>
</subject>
<subject>
  code="subject:15007000"
  type="iptc:nc"
  >
  <childOf code="iptc:sports"/>
  <title xml:lang="en">Baseball</title>
</subject>
<subject>
  code="leagues:l.mlb.com"
  type="xts:league-key"
  >
  <childOf code="15007000"/>
  <title xml:lang="en">Major League Baseball</title>
</subject>
<subject>
  code="conferences:l.mlb.com-c.al"
  type="xts:conference-key"
  >
  <childOf code="leagues:l.mlb.com"/>
  <title xml:lang="en">MLB: American League</title>
</subject>
<subject ...>
```

Zoom In: <package:link>

```
<newsMessage>
  (message MetaData: <sender>, <transmissionId>, <dateOfTransmission>)
  <itemCollection>
    <package:item>
      <itemMeta>
        <contentMeta>
          <package:root idref="ID000000"/>
          <package:group groupid="ID000000" mode="bag" role="post-game-package">
            <package:link>(for Preview)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Matchup)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Lineup)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Box Score)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Recap)</package:link>
          </package:group>
        </contentMeta>
      </itemMeta>
      <news:item>(for Preview)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Matchup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Lineup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Box Score)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Recap)</news:item>
    </package:item>
  </itemCollection>
</newsMessage>
```

Zoom In: <package:link>

```
<package:link
  coco:itemIdRef="item.1"  coco:role="sportsml-fixture:pre-event-coverage">
  <contentMeta>
    <created>2005-10-23T09:30:47.0Z</created>
    <infoSource>
      code="url:sportsnetwork.com"
      why="iptc-infosource:publisher"
      <title xml:lang="en">The Sports Network</title>
    </infoSource>
    <infoSource>
      code="url:xmlteam.com"
      why="iptc-infosource:distributor"
      <title xml:lang="en">XML Team Solutions, Inc.</title>
    </infoSource>
    <title>Pre-Game Preview</title>
    <description>Editorial preview of game.</description>
    <slugline>coco:separator=".>mlb.preview.wsseries.game1</slugline>
  </contentMeta>
</package:link>
```

Zoom In: <news:item>

```
<newsMessage>
  (message MetaData: <sender>, <transmissionId>, <dateOfTransmission>)
  <itemCollection>
    <package:item>
      <itemMeta>
        <contentMeta>
          <package:root idref="ID000000"/>
          <package:group groupid="ID000000" mode="bag" role="post-game-package">
            <package:link>(for Preview)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Matchup)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Lineup)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Box Score)</package:link>
            <package:link>(for Recap)</package:link>
          </package:group>
        </contentMeta>
      </itemMeta>
      <news:item>(for Preview)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Matchup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Lineup)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Box Score)</news:item>
      <news:item>(for Recap)</news:item>
    </package:item>
  </itemCollection>
</newsMessage>
```

Zoom In: <news:item>

```
<news:item  coco:guid="item.1" xmlns:news="urn:iptc:std:news:1.0:xmlns">
  <itemMeta>
    <contentMeta>
      <news:newsMeta><news:locationOfOrigin>Chicago</news:locationOfOrigin></news:newsMeta>
      <news:content  rendition="sportsml">
        href="http://webservice.xmlteam.com/getDoc?id=xt.90210-002-00001-preview"
        <news:characteristics>
          <contentType>application/sportsml+xml</contentType>
          <format>application/xml</format>
          <size>3774</size>
        </news:characteristics>
        <news:struct> <!-- Inline SportsML would have gone here --> </news:struct>
      </news:content>
      <news:content  rendition="xhtml">
        href="http://webservice.xmlteam.com/getDoc?id=xt.90210-002-00001-preview&stylesheet=sportsml2html"
        <news:characteristics>
          <contentType>text/xhtml</contentType>
          <format>text/xhtml</format>
          <size>8912</size>
          <!-- Nice to add: generator - which XSLT Engine processed Stylesheet that created this rendition -->
          <!-- Nice to add: profile, for which XSLT Stylesheet was used to create this rendition -->
        </news:characteristics>
        <news:struct> <!-- inline xHTML would have gone here --> </news:struct>
      </news:content>
    </itemMeta>
  </news:item>
```

Alan's NAR Suggestion Wishlist

- ◆ Some suggestions, since I can't be there discussing this and that, here and there.

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NAR Suggestion Wishlist

■ Disclaimer!

- ◆ Plenty of these suggestions have probably been thrown around and discussed on the Yahoo!Groups and via phone calls / meetings
- ◆ So I'll allow that there'd likely be many compelling reasons to keep things Status Quo
- ◆ That said...

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NAR Improvement Wishlist

1. Make the various :item's more Parallel
 - ◆ Easier to explain & understand
 - ◆ Easier to code

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Put top newsMessage elements into messageMeta

Organizing those elements unifies newsMessage with the item's

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Roll newsMeta/locationOfOrigin into contentMeta

It's just one property, sticks out like sore thumb, and can apply elsewhere

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
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Rename itemCollection to itemSet

itemSet is shorter, and the "sel" term can readily apply to other elements

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
messageMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta
itemSet (news:item package:item topic:item) *) --(text struct binary)?	content* --characteristics --contentType --format --size --groupRef*	root? group* --link* --itemMeta --contentMeta --groupRef*	topicMeta --conceptId* struct

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Move <content>s into <contentSet>

Add originalIdRef attribute, to contentSet, which then enforces a single pointer

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
messageMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta
itemSet (news:item package:item topic:item) *) --(text struct binary)?	contentSet -content* --characteristics --contentType --format --size --groupRef*	root? group* --link* --itemMeta --contentMeta --groupRef*	topicMeta --conceptId* struct

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Move <groups> into <groupSet>

Add root attribute, which then points to the root group

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
messageMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta
itemSet (news:item package:item topic:item) *) --(text struct binary)?	contentSet -content* --characteristics --contentType --format --size --groupRef*	groupSet -group* --link* --itemMeta --contentMeta --groupRef*	topicMeta --conceptId* struct

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Rename <topicMeta> and <conceptId>

topicMeta isn't really "Meta," it's really the substance of topic:item

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
messageMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta
itemSet (news:item package:item topic:item) *) --(text struct binary)?	contentSet -content* --characteristics --contentType --format --size --groupRef*	groupSet -group* --link* --itemMeta --contentMeta --groupRef*	conceptSet --concept* struct

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Now That's Easy-to-Understand!

newsMessage	news:item	package:item	topic:item
messageMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta	coco:itemMeta coco:contentMeta
itemSet (news:item package:item topic:item) *) --(text struct binary)?	contentSet (content)*	groupSet (group)*	conceptSet (concept)* struct

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NAR Improvement Wishlist

1. Make the various :item's more Parallel

- ◆ Easier to explain & understand
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2. Consider whether simple XML Schema Validation can be used to validate MetaData's controlled vocabularies

- ◆ Rather than demanding fancy Schematron scripting or a custom NAR engine

Schema MetaData Validation

See `topic-schema.xsd` sample file

```
<enumeration value="l.mlb.com-t.6">
<annotation>
<appinfo>
<coco:concept
  creator="scheme:code"
  created="2005-05-11T12:34:56"
  type="scheme:code"
  why="scheme:code">
  <childOf code="subject:15007000"/>
  <desc code="scheme:code"/>
  <title xml:lang="en">Chicago White Sox</title>
</coco:concept>
<sportsml:team>
<team-metadata>
  <name first="Chicago" last="White Sox" />
</team-metadata>
<affiliation>
  <membership-type>conference</membership-type>
  <membership-key>l.mlb.com:c.ai</membership-key>
  <membership-name>MLB: American League</membership-name>
</affiliation>
</sportsml:team>
</appinfo>
</annotation>
</enumeration>
```

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1. **Make the various :item's more Parallel**
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2. **Consider whether simple XML Schema Validation can be used to validate MetaData's controlled vocabularies**
 - ◆ Rather than demanding fancy Schematron scripting or a custom NAR engine
3. **Call the whole banana "NewsML"**
 - ◆ It clearly aims to be a functional superset of NewsML 1.0
 - ◆ It's a great term to market.

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Next Steps / Open Forum

- Flesh out further examples for SportsML Use within New Architecture
- Begin information-gathering for SportsML 1.7
- Provide more examples and continually improve documentation
- Continue to develop SportsML Schema
 - ◆ Improve the "specificness" of controlled formats and vocabularies
- Next Meeting: Vancouver, March 27-29
- Open Forum

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