

Webinar: INSPIRE good practices – Alternative Encodings

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Agenda

- General methodology for alternative encodings
- The GeoJSON Encoding
 - Structure
 - Model Transformation Rules
 - The GeoJSON Encoding
 - An Example for the Addresses Theme with GN elements
 - An Example for the Environmental Monitoring Facilities Theme with O&M elements
- Usability of the GeoJSON Encoding
 - Test methodology
 - CanIUse results
 - Planned enhancements
- Discussion and Questions

Alternative Encodings

Approach & Structure

A Quick Clarification

Default Encoding

The default encoding is part of all data specifications

Data that complies to default encoding is INSPIRE compliant

Central Tooling is available, e.g. the INSPIRE Validator

Additional Encoding

Does not have to satisfy all IR requirements for a data set

Data owner does **not** need to prove compliance

Central tooling is not required

OR

Alternative Encoding

Shall satisfy all IR requirements for a data set

Data owner needs to prove compliance

Central tooling is not available (yet)

General Requirements for Encodings

The Implementing Rules on interoperability of spatial data sets and services (Commission Regulation (EU) No 1089/2010, Article 7) lays down the following requirements for encoding rules:

*Every encoding rule used to encode spatial data shall conform to EN ISO 19118. In particular, it shall specify **schema conversion rules** for all spatial object types and all attributes and association roles and the output data structure used.*

Every encoding rule used to encode spatial data shall be made available.

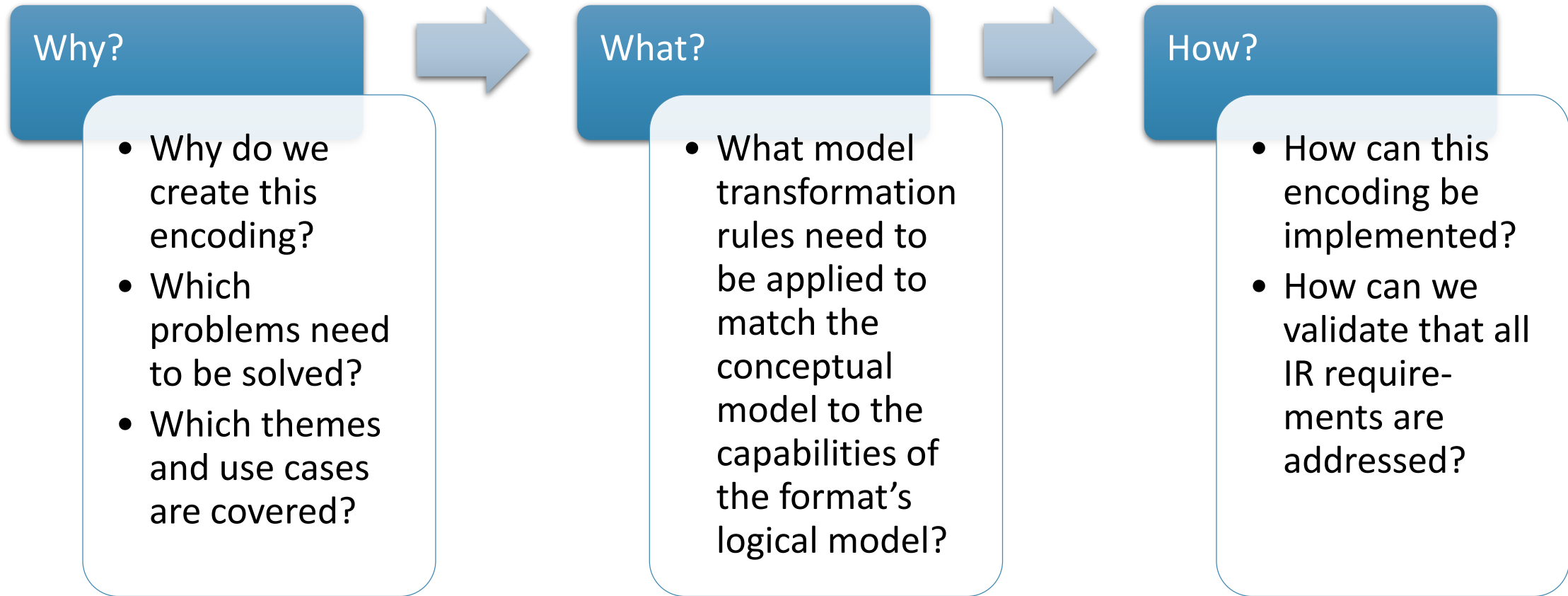
Additional rules:

- Spatial Reference Systems
- Character Encoding (UTF-8)

Recommendation:

- Encoding rules should be based on international, preferably open, standards

An Approach to defining the Alternative Encoding



Structure of the Alternative Encoding

- Background
- Scope
 - Use Cases
 - INSPIRE Themes
 - Cross-cutting INSPIRE requirements
- Terms & Definitions
- Normative References
- Schema Conversion Rules
- Instance Conversion Rules

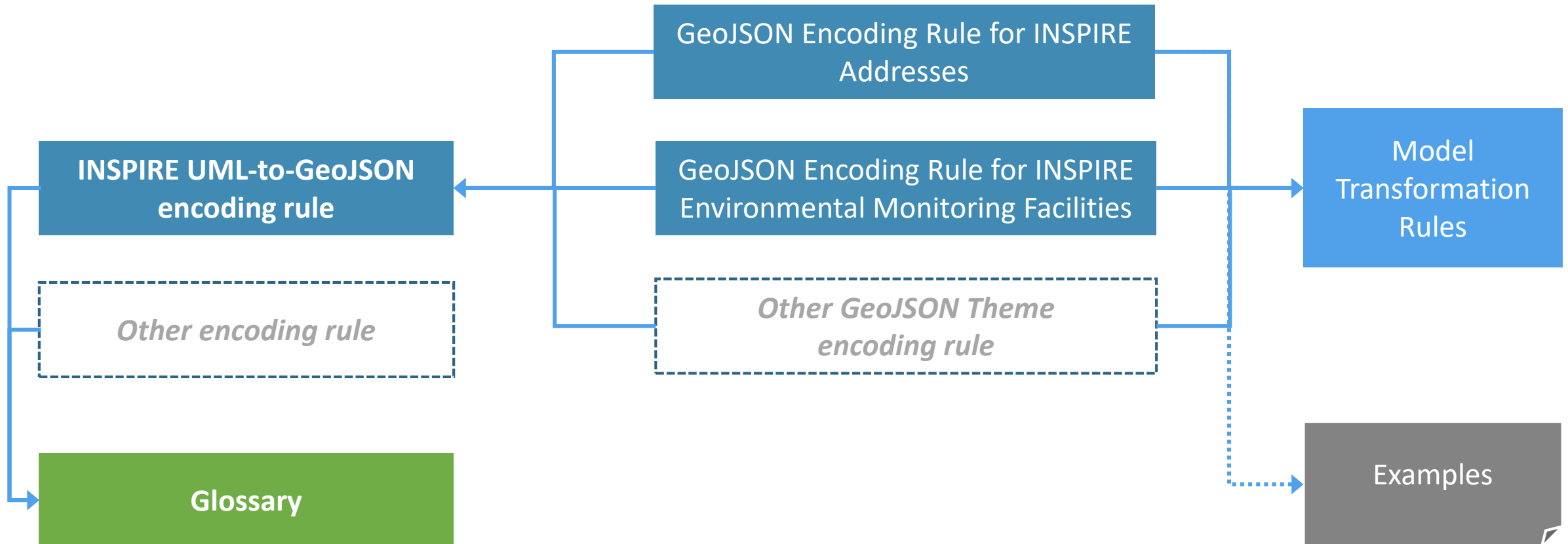
- Optional: ATS/ETS, Examples
- Optional: Model Transformations (for Simplification, Flattening)



The GeoJSON Alternative Encoding

Structure, General Encoding Rules, and INSPIRE Themes

The components of the GeoJSON Encoding Rule



INSPIRE UML-to-GeoJSON encoding rule

1. Preface
2. Introduction
3. Scope
 1. Use Cases
 2. Themes
 3. Technical Issues
 4. Technical Limitations
4. Cross-cutting INSPIRE requirements
5. Normative References
6. Terms and Definitions
7. Schema Conversion Rules
 1. Types
 2. Properties
 3. Associations
8. Instance Encoding Rules
 1. Requirements and Recommendations
 2. Mapping from Conceptual Model to GeoJSON Logical Model
 3. Alternative Coordinate Reference Systems
 4. Identifiers
9. INSPIRE Theme Encoding Rules

Glossary

Glossary for Alternative Encodings

INSPIRE Alternative Encoding Rule

alternative encoding rule alternative encoding

An encoding rule that is not the INSPIRE default encoding rule and meets all requirements from the INSPIRE Implementing Rules on interoperability of spatial data sets and services.

INSPIRE Additional Encoding Rule

additional encoding rule additional encoding

An encoding rule that is not the INSPIRE default encoding rule and does not have to meet all requirements from the Implementing Rule on interoperability of spatial data sets and services.

NOTE Not all elements from the INSPIRE Generic Conceptual Model might be encoded.

Bijection Transformation

In mathematics, a bijection, bijective function, or one-to-one correspondence is a function between the elements of two sets where each element of one set is paired with exactly one element of the other set, and each element of the other set is paired with exactly one element of the first set. There are no unpaired elements. In terms of a transformation, this means that for every source model element, there is a corresponding element in the target model, and the transformation can first be executed in the direction $A \rightarrow B$ and then back $B \rightarrow A'$, with A' equal to A .

[Wikipedia]

Bijection Model Transformation

A Bijection Model Transformation is a model transformation where each model element in the source and target model is paired with exactly one element of the other set, and each element of the other set is paired with exactly one element of the first set. This means if the model transformation between an original model and the transformed model is lossless, and the original model can be fully recreated based on the transformed model.

Bijection Data Transformation

This means if the data transformation between the default encoding and the alternative encoding is bijective, that conversion is lossless, and the original data set using the default encoding can be fully recreated based on the data that was transformed to the Alternative Encoding before.

Code

Representation of a label according to a specified scheme

[ISO 19118:2011]

Conversion rule

Rule for converting instances in the input data structure to instances in the output data structure

[ISO 19118:2011]

Data

Reinterpretable representation of information in a formalized manner suitable for communication, interpretation, or processing

[ISO/IEC 2382-1:1993]

INSPIRE default encoding rule

default encoding rule default encoding

encoding rule that is specified in [D2.7, Annex B (normative) Default encoding rule]

NOTE The INSPIRE default encoding rule is the encoding rule specified in ISO 19136 Annex E with the extensions in GML 3.3 together with the additional rules stated in [D2.7, Annex B].

Encoding process

Encoding

Conversion of data into a series of codes

[ISO 19118:2011]

Encoding rule

Encoding

Identifiable collection of conversion rules that define the encoding for a particular data structure

NOTE The term `Encoding` is used as a synonym for both Encoding Rule and Encoding Process and should therefore not be used in the alternative encoding specifications.

[ISO 19118:2011]

Information

Knowledge concerning objects, such as facts, events, things, processes, or ideas, including concepts, that within a certain context has a particular meaning

[ISO/IEC 2382-1:1993]

Format

Language construct that specifies the representation, in character form, of data objects in a record, file, message, storage device, or transmission channel

[ISO 19145:2013; ISO/IEC 2382-15:1999]

GeoJSON Encoding Rule for INSPIRE ADS/EMS

1. Preface
2. Normative References
- 3. Conformance Class Core**
 1. Model Transformation
 2. Model Mapping
4. Examples (Informative)
5. ATS/ETS (Informative)



Catalogue of Model Transformation Rules

MT001: Flattening of nested structures

MT002: Extract Primitive Arrays

MT003: Association/Aggregation to Composition with Hard Typing

MT004: Association/Aggregation to Composition with Soft Typing

MT005: Simple Geographic Name

MT006: Property Composition to Association

MT007: Simple Citation

MT008: Simple Codelist Reference

MT009: Simple Period

Model Transformation Rule Structure

- Category
- Description
- UML Representation (if applicable)
- Original Instance in Default Encoding
- Transformed Instance in Default/Alternative Encoding
- Model Transformation Rule
- Instance Transformation Rule
- Solves Usability Issues
- Known Usability Issues
- INSPIRE compliance
- Known Examples

The screenshot displays two overlapping panels of a Model Transformation Rule structure. The top panel is titled "Extract Primitive Array" and shows a table with the following content:

Category	--
Description	In some cases, QGIS supports arrays of simple properties. This method can be used to extract the salient property of an example where this can be applied is to store relationships between objects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• lowerLevelUnits: LinkToUnit_01, LinkToUnit_02, LinkToUnit_03, ...
UML Model	Not applicable
Original instance in default encoding:	<pre><au:AdministrativeUnit gml:id="MIG20172_example_AdministrativeUnit"> <!-- ... --> <au:lowerLevelUnit xlink:href="#MIG20172_example_AdministrativeUnit_low1"/> <au:lowerLevelUnit xlink:href="#MIG20172_example_AdministrativeUnit_low2"/> <!-- ... --> </AdministrativeUnit></pre>
Transformed instance in alternate (GeoJSON) encoding:	<pre>{ "lowerLevelUnits": ["MIG20172_example_AdministrativeUnit_low1", "MIG20172_example_AdministrativeUnit_low2"] }</pre>
Model transformation rule:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'valueProperty': The name of the property from which to take the values to be copied to the array The property name is left unchanged. Its implementation type is transformed from its current type to the type of the valueProperty. Note that when applied to the Default GML encoding, this rule by itself is not a concatenation/aggregation instance transformation.
Instance transformation rule:	<p>Parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'valueProperty': The name of the property from which to take the values to be copied to the array For each instance of the 'valueProperty', push its value to the array in the target property. The order of the values in the array is the same as the order of the instances in the source.
Solves usability issues:	This rule reduces overhead and makes it possible to have workable transformed data structures that are a good base for further simplification in case the target environment does not support arrays.
Known usability issues:	Some software cannot process arrays.
INSPIRE Compliance:	The transformed model is fully compliant to INSPIRE as long as no mandatory properties other than those of the valueProperty are present.
Examples of this encoding rule:	TODO List issues in 2017.2 repo that have applied this pattern or very similar ones.
Notes:	No notes.

The bottom panel is a duplicate of the top panel, showing the same rule details.

Examples

INSPIRE-MIF / 2017.2

Unwatch 9 Star 1 Fork 5

Code Issues 56 Pull requests 1 Projects 0 Wiki Insights

Branch: master 2017.2 / GeoJSON / ads / examples / ads_example_1.geojson

thorsten-reitz address comments on PR

1 contributor

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position.specification.href
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position.default

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Raw Blame History

© Mapbox © OpenStreetMap Improve the underlying map

itTime	2015-12-19T12:11
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plingFeatureName	Piézomètre de St-f
iateFeatureOfInterestName	
iateFeatureOfInterestReference	
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ofMeasureReference	http://www.openg
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Next Steps & Timeline

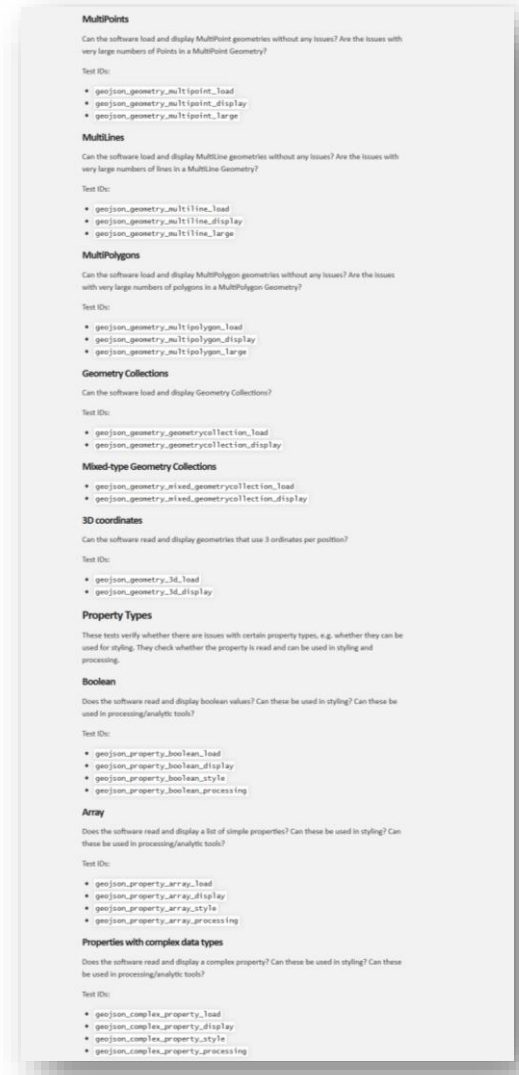
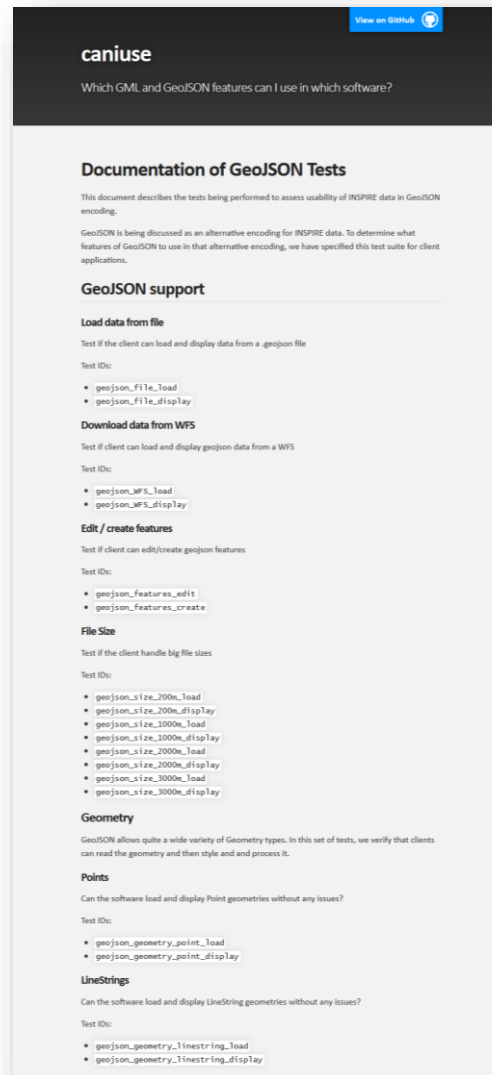
- Editorial Changes and Fixes
- Addressing/Closing open issues from GitHub Repo
- Addressing changes and requests from community
- Acceptance & Release 1.0

Usability of the GeoJSON Encoding

Testing, Results, Open issues

Testing Methodology

- Definition of test cases
- Provision of test data sets
- Manual testing with each software
- Documentation in JSON Format
- Generation of readable documentation



Can the Encoding be used?

gml_file_load

QGIS	ArcGIS Online	hale studio	OpenLayers	FME Desktop	Leaflet
2.18.24-Las Palmas					
3.4.4-Madeira	December 2018 update	3.4.1	5.3.0	2018.1	1.4.0

gml_file_display

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gml_WFS2_load

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Required Enhancements (for GeoJSON/GML/...)

To be discussed with vendors in June Meeting

ArcGIS	QGIS	OpenLayers
TBT	Multi-Type Collections	Multiple features in one location can't be identified
	Better support for arrays in attribute table	

Time for your Contributions 😊!

- Questions & Discussion
- Editorial issues:
 - Create issues and Pull Requests on GitHub
- Implementations:
 - Report any implementations & Experiences
- Add theme-specific Encoding Rules

Questions? Feedback?

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