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| Main text | Times | regular | 10 |
| Section heading | Times | bold | 12 |
| Subsection heading | Times | bold | 10 |
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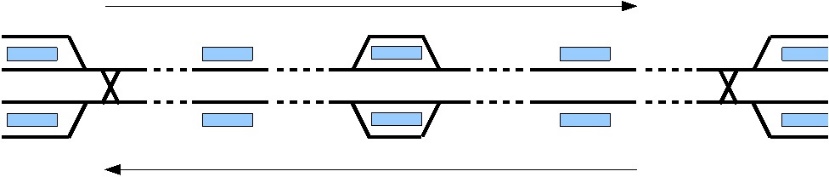
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Figure 1: Track layout



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