Spatial Databases: Lecture 7+8

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7 Exercises and Discussion

- Spatial relationships
- Spatial joins
- Projections and the Geography type
- Geometries from Geometries
- A note on validity
- Equality



8 Linear Referencing & pgRouting



• Locate a point along a line





SELECT ST_LineLocatePoint('LINESTRING(0 0, 3 3, 5 1, 7 5, 11 4)', 'POINT(5.5 2)'



SELECT ST_LineLocatePoint('LINESTRING(0 0, 3 3, 5 1, 7 5, 11 4)', 'POINT(5 2.25)'

);



SELECT ST_LineLocatePoint('LINESTRING(0 0, 3 3, 5 1, 7 5, 11 4)', 'POINT(5 2.25)'



• ST_LineLocatePoint() returns the fraction of a line traversed from start to the located point



 Points not on line are projected to the nearest point on the line





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SELECT ST_AsText(ST_LineInterpolatePoint(
    'LINESTRING(0 0, 3 3, 5 1, 7 5, 11 4)',
    0.522720546074802
));
```

ST_LineInterpolatePoint() returns the point at the specified location along a line



SELECT ST_AsText(ST_LineInterpolatePoint('LINESTRING(0 0, 3 3, 5 1, 7 5, 11 4)', 0.522720546074802

));





- A postgres/postgis extension for computing routes and routing information
 - To use pgRouting you must first enable it for your database

CREATE EXTENSION pgRouting;

 Let's take a section of the nyc_streets database

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SELECT st.* INTO si_streets FROM
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nyc_streets st, nyc_neighborhoods nb

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WHERE
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ST_Intersects(st.geom, nb.geom) AND
nb.boroname = 'Staten Island';

- To do routing we need a network topology: creating a topology.
 - 1. Identify start and end points of your streets
 - 2. Let pgRouting create the topology for you

ALTER si_streets ADD COLUMN "source" integer; ALTER si_streets ADD COLUMN "target" integer;

SELECT pgr_createTopology(' si_streets', 0.00001,
'geom', 'gid');

• If not already created you can add indexes for your two new columns (check now)

CREATE INDEX si_streets_source_idx ON si_streets("source"); CREATE INDEX si_streets_target_idx ON si_streets("target");

• Plus we must declare a cost column

ALTER si_streets ADD COLUMN "cost" real;

- You are now ready to route!
- A story
 - An angry person shot someone dead in Staten Island and fled by car. The event is recorded with id 1408 in the homicides table. In a haste the same person apparently run over another person and killed her as well (recorded with id 2388). The question is: assuming the person took the shortest escape route between the first and second events, which route was it?

• Dijkstra

- An update to the story
 - As we dig for more evidence we encounter a witness who says he saw the getaway car between the times of the two events at Huguenot subway station (id 484). Does this fact change the most probable route?

• kDijkstra

• Follow the tutorial at

http://workshops.boundlessgeo.com/postgisintro/linear_referencing.html

Outcome: linear referencing of subway stations

- Split all street linestrings containing references to subway stations into parts.
 - From the start to the first subway station
 - From each subway station to the next subway station or end of linestring whichever comes first
- Create a new streets table where any split linestrings are replaced by their pieces.
- Make the new streets table ready for pgRouting

- Compute the station to station distance for all stations on a given route assuming that consecutive stations are spatially nearest to each other (break ties arbitrarily)
- Create a new table of subway routes with a line string for each route
- Make the new subway routes table ready for pgRouting

- For the next tasks assume that the cost of travel by road the distance and consider three cost scenarios for travel by subway
 - Straight line distance between consecutive stations
 - 0.5 times the straight line distance
 - 2 times the straight line distance

- Use Shortest Path Dijkstra to find the shortest routes for the following journeys using a combination of travel modes by car and subway
 - P1 to P2
 - P1 to P3
 - P2 to P4
 - P2 to P3
- Repeat the task above but this time avoid subway stations within 100 meters of a homicide

- Repeat the two tasks but this time use the A* variant of shortest path
- Comment on the differences between the routes under the different cost assumptions and restrictions

References

- <u>http://postgis.net/docs/</u>
- <u>http://workshops.boundlessgeo.com/postgis-</u> intro/index.html
- <u>http://pgrouting.org/documentation.html</u>
- <u>http://workshop.pgrouting.org/</u>
 - See especially chapters 5, 7, and 8

That's all for today

Thank you! Questions?

