



Follow your wastewater using the open source Graph Tracing Engine

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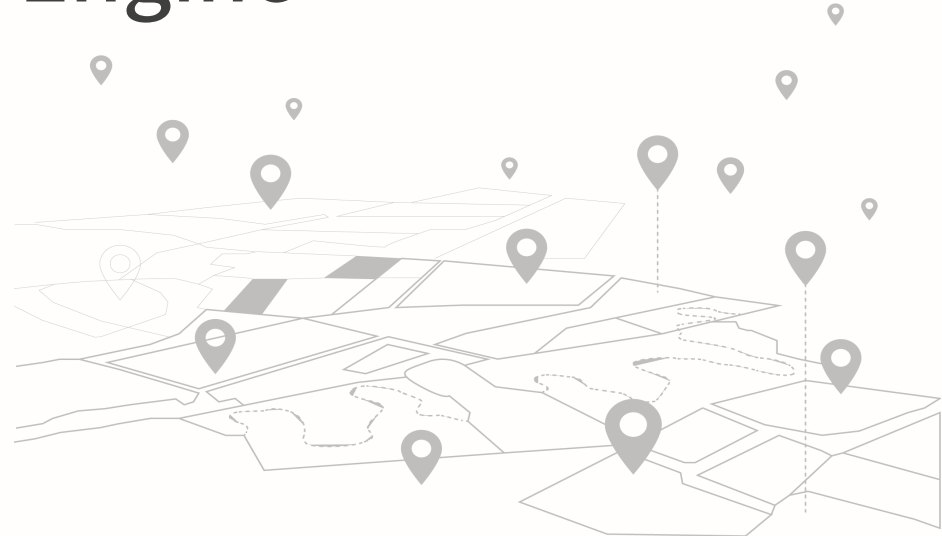
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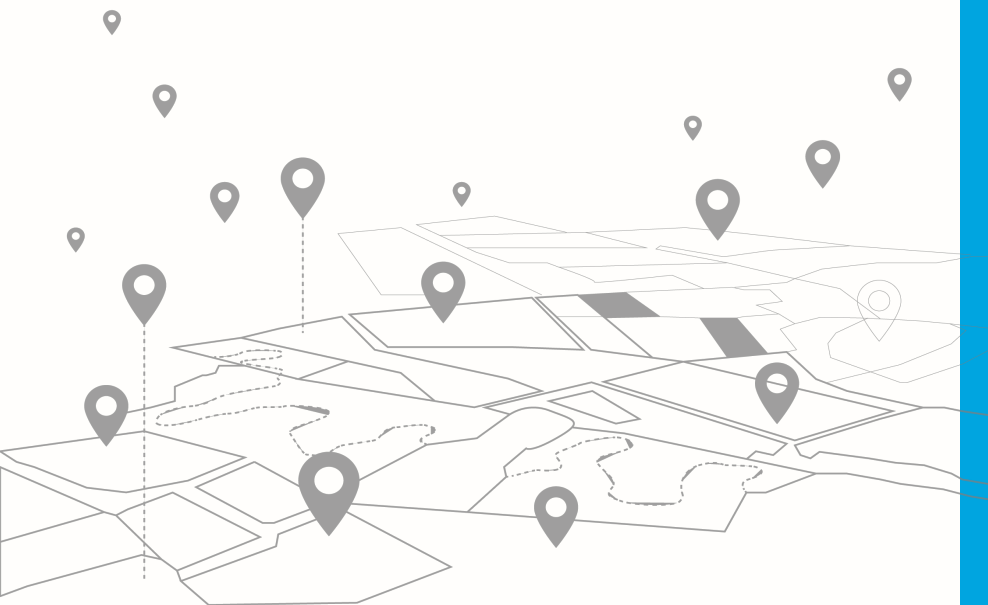
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Main Solutions



Smart insights in your parking policy



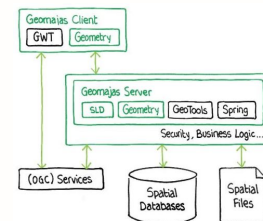
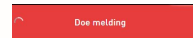
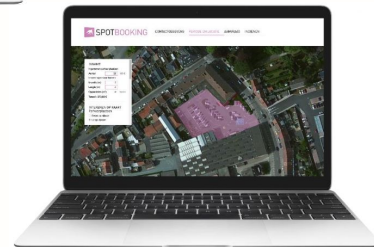
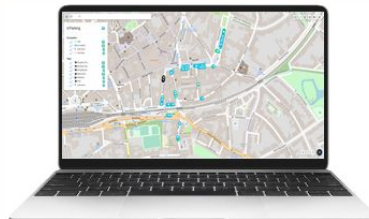
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Open source software framework for custom-made web-based geo applications

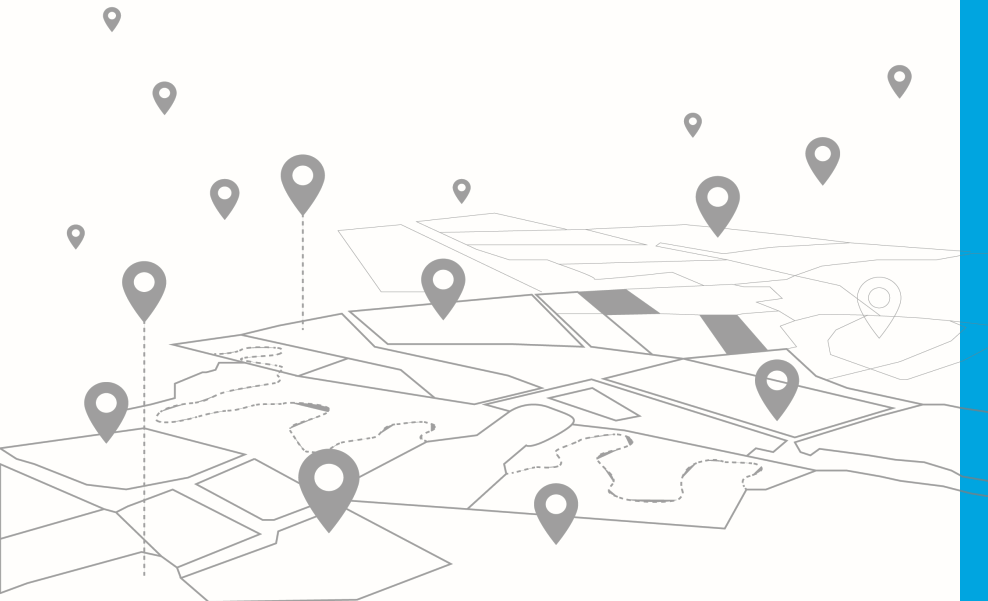




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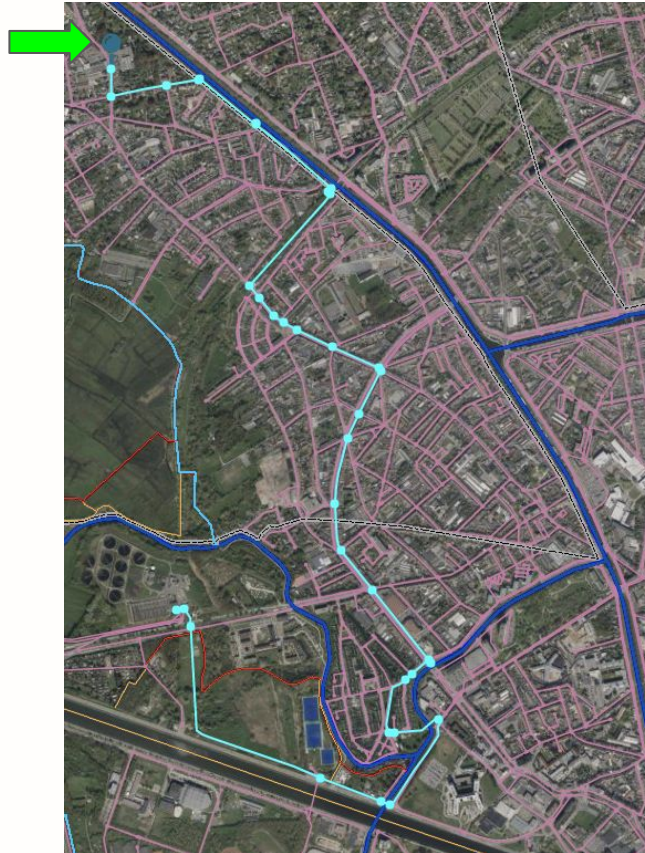
Waste water tracing algorithm



Trace what?

Downstream

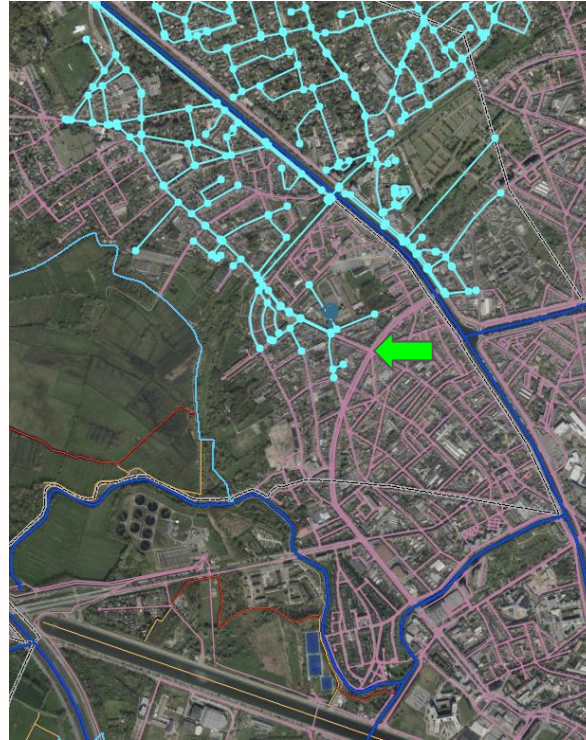
- Extinguishing water flow-off
- Invasive plant species
- Simulation, future planning
- ...

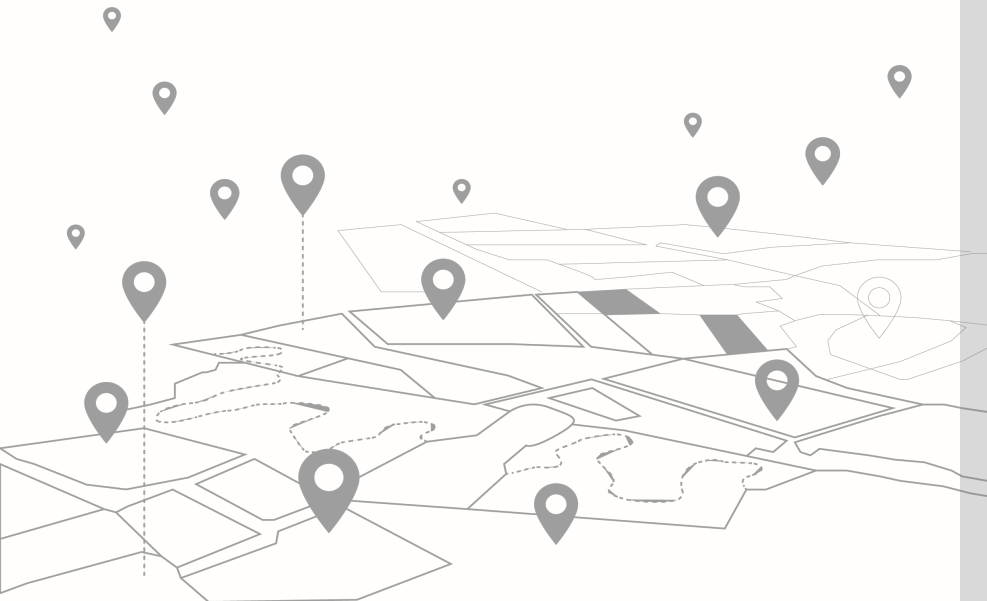


Trace what?

Upstream

- Trace source of contamination
- Calculate waste load
- Simulation, future planning
- ...





Waste water tracing algorithm

Objective

Pains

- Poor performance
- Limited flexibility in data
- No insight in risk areas
- Only available in sewer inventory application
- Tracing limited to single network

Main objective

Improve and extend VMM's tracing algorithm for sewers and surface water by creating an open, re-usable application that allows fast tracing and risk analysis over different interconnecting data sources.

Waste water tracing algorithm

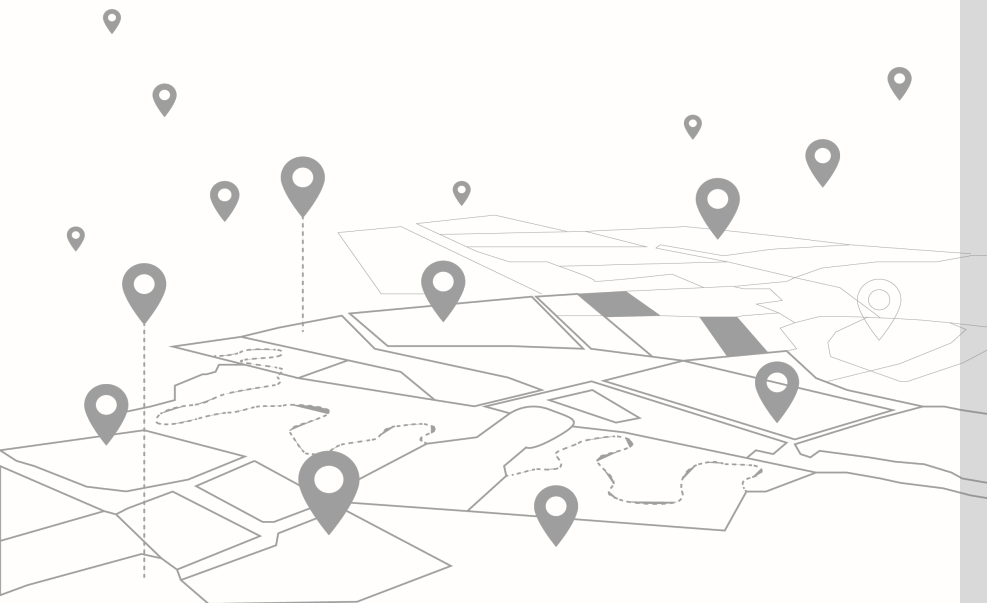
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Multiple networks



Performance

Performance issues

- Long response times, over 10 seconds
- Limited & incomplete results
- Web browser freeze
- → Frustrated users

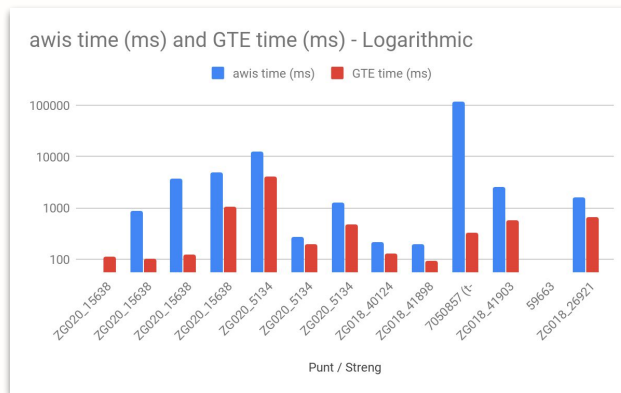
Performance

New Tracing Core

- Store network in memory (= faster)
- Use existing graph library JGraphT
- Implement efficient tracing algorithm
- Limit and preprocess data sent to browser

Improvements

- Up to 10 times faster
- Better browser response times
- Bigger trace results possible



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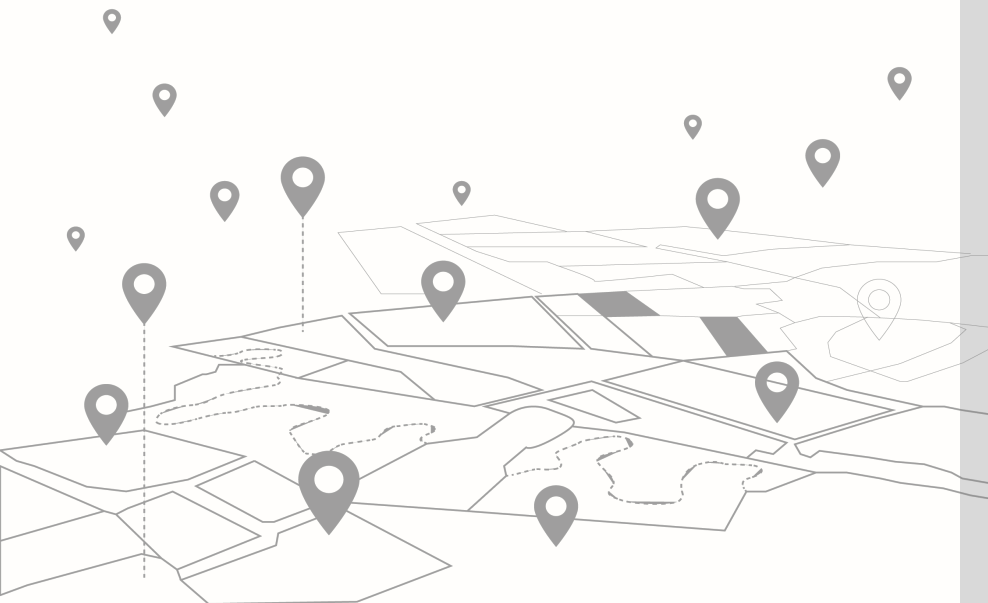
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Data flexibility

Limited flexibility in source data

- Tracing algorithm hard-coded against existing dataset
- Very database oriented
- High (development) cost to update data model
- Difficult to add new datasets

Data flexibility

Graph preprocessor

- Configuration mechanism for data sources
- Uses geotools software library (compatible with multiple data sources)
- Configure different types of networks (i.e. Geographical, Logical, ...)

Improvements

- Configuration by non-developer
- Easy to add new datasets from various sources
- No longer limited to specific data structure

Mysql
WFSOGCOracle
INSPIRE
GML
Shapefile
PostGIS

Data flexibility

Successful proof-of-concept with Delfland water authority data



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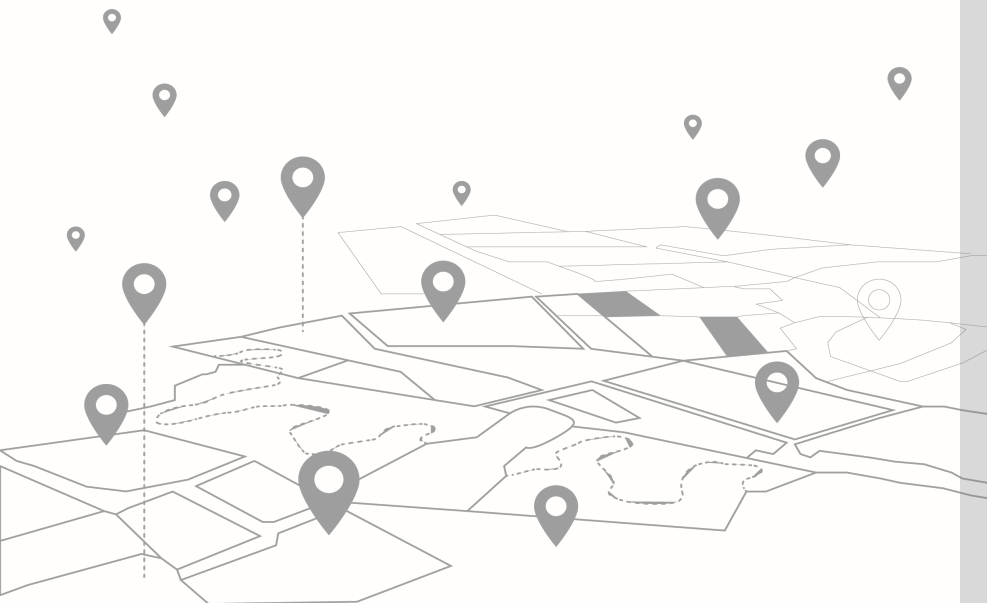
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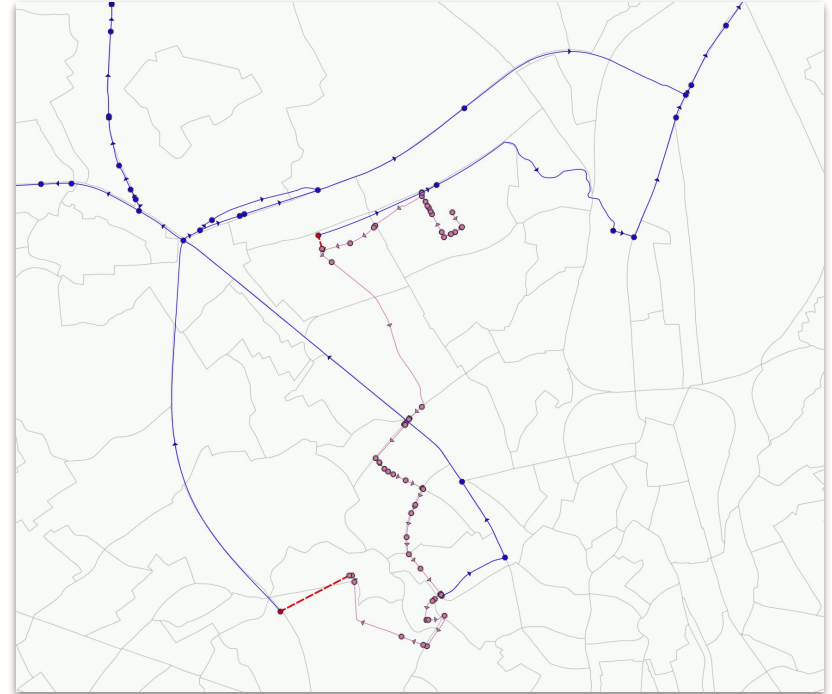
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Risk areas

Risk analysis feature

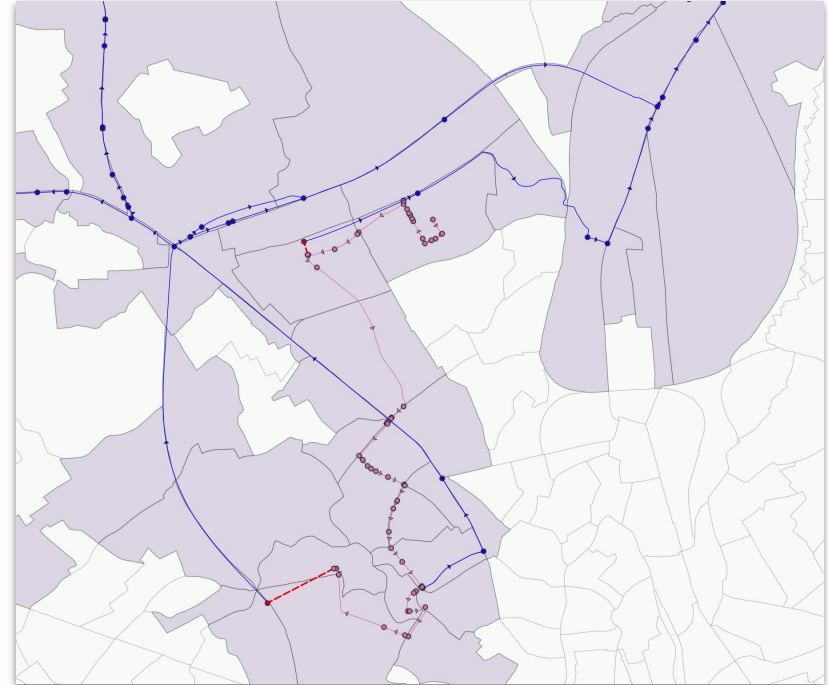
- No easy way to calculate which areas a tracing passes



Risk areas

Result

- Configuration mechanism for areas of interest
- Returns all areas where trace passes
- Not limited to areas, can be lines or points



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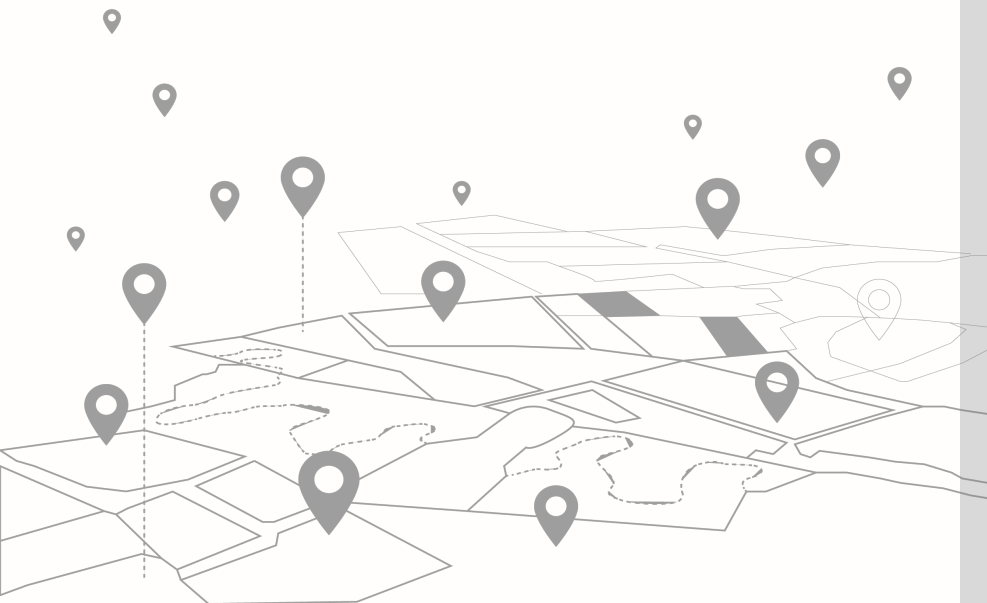
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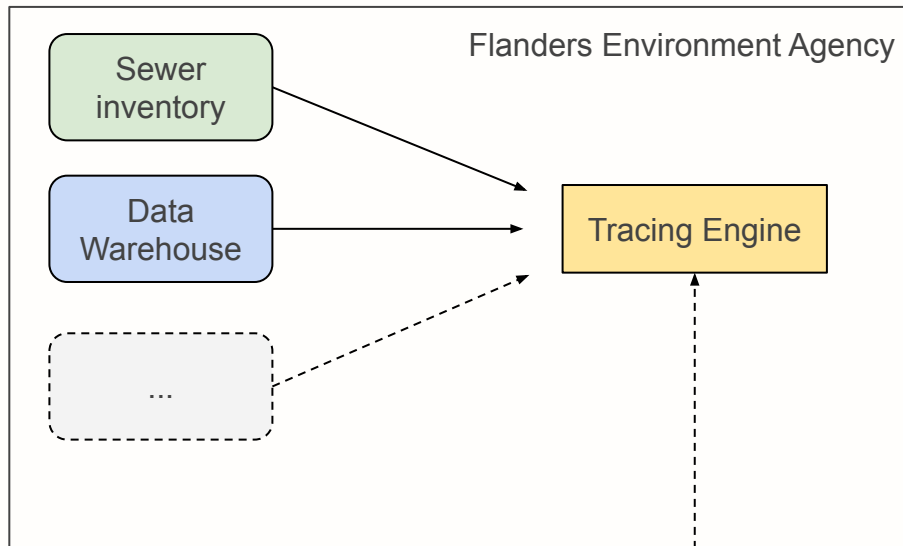
Reusability

- Tracing is only available in sewer inventory application
- Other services cannot access tracing
- Difficult to expose tracing to outside world

Reuse

Tracing Engine as (micro)service

- The tracing engine is a stand-alone application
- Accessible by other applications via REST api
- Not limited to inside organisation



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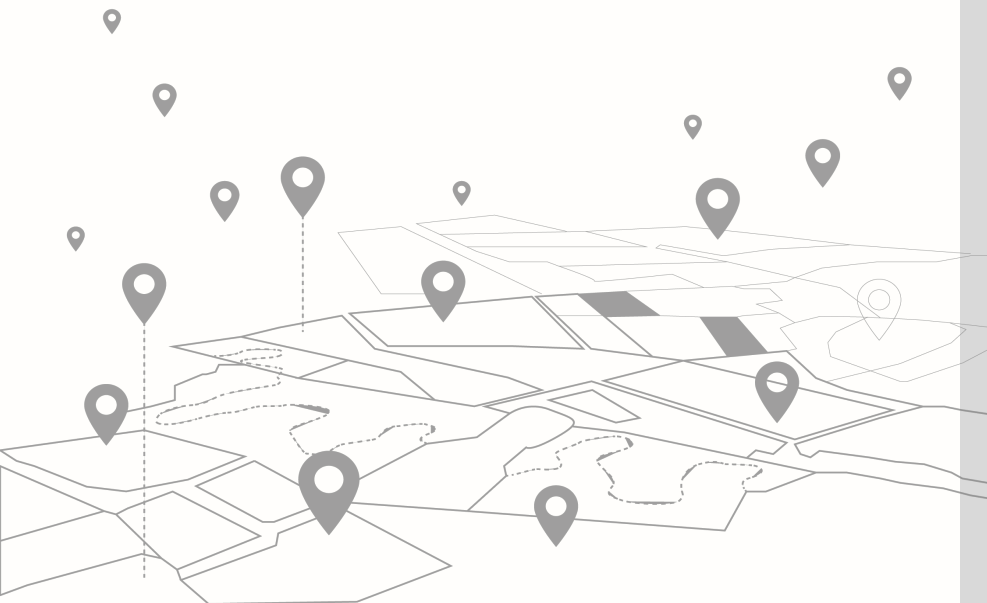
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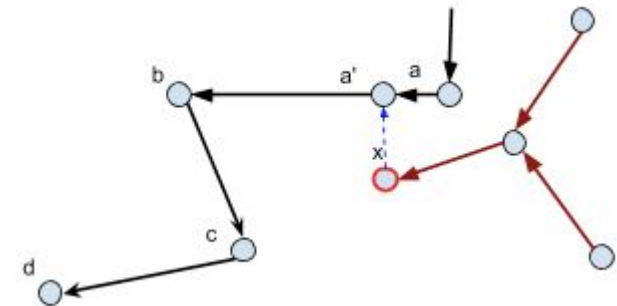
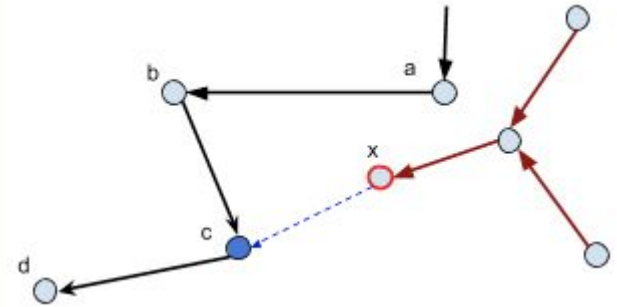
No interconnections

- The sewer inventory application tracing does not support tracing between different networks (waterways, sewer system)
- Does not support transnational tracings

Multiple networks

Configurable interconnections

- Support for different network interconnections
 - Logical
 - Geographical
 - Projected
- User can combine data sources for tracing
- Cross-border tracing possible



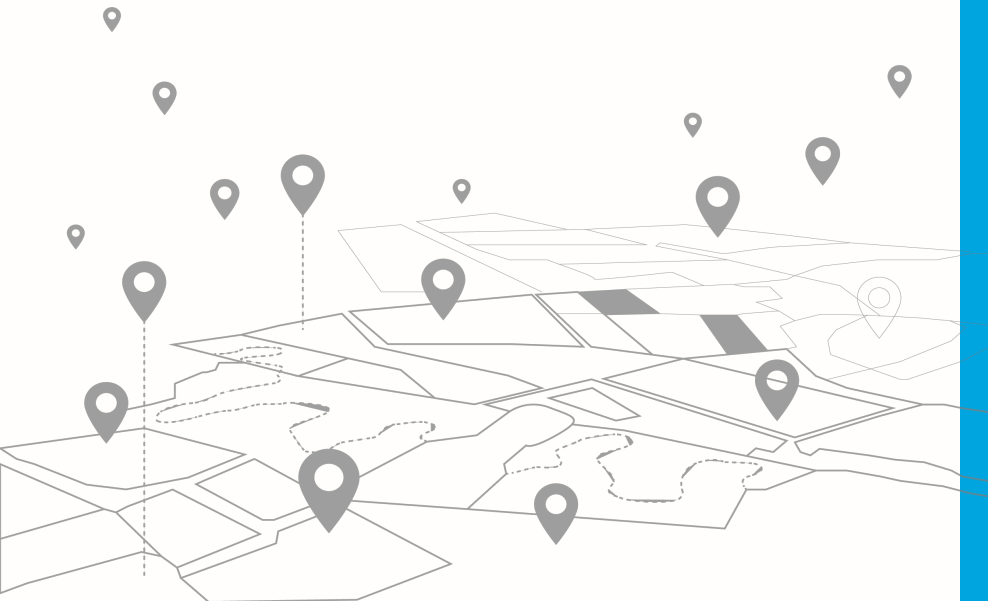
Results

- Improved performance
- Easily configurable data sources
- Insight in risk areas
- Available for the whole organisation (and possibly outside)
- Interconnection between multiple networks

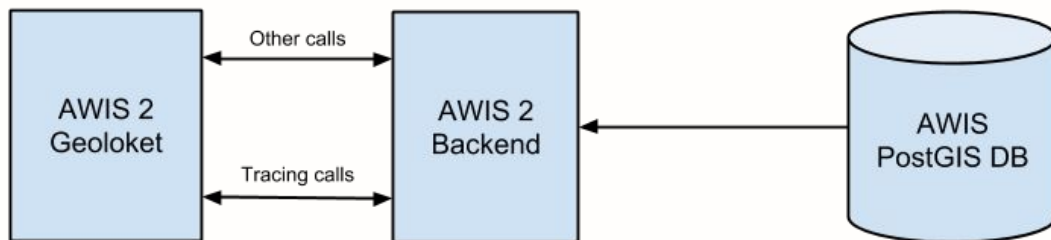
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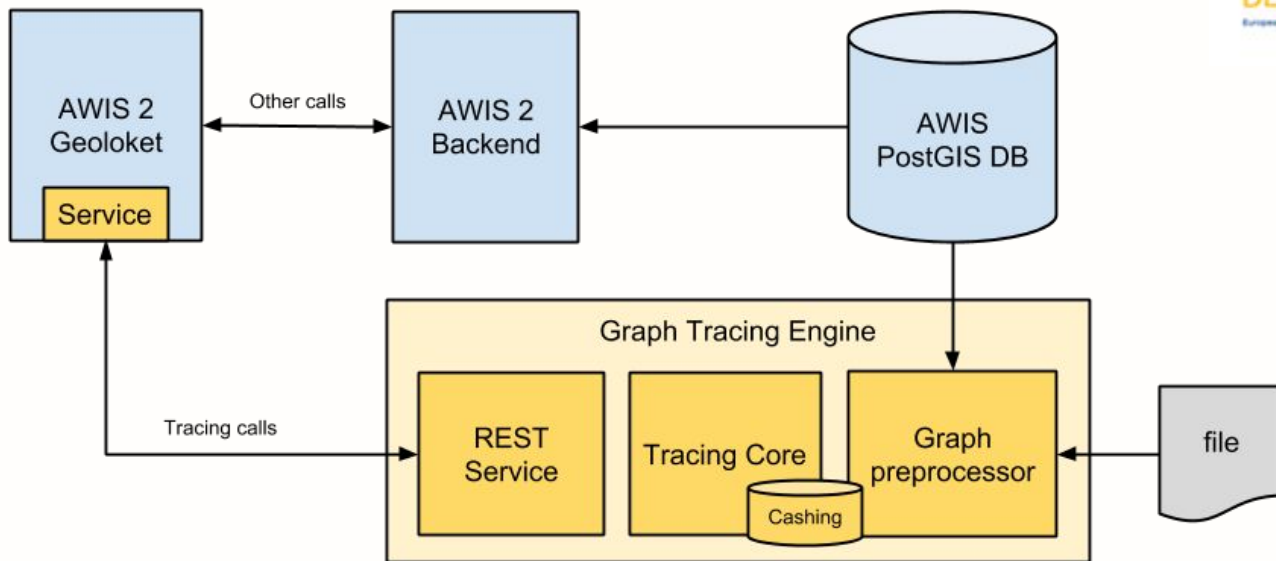
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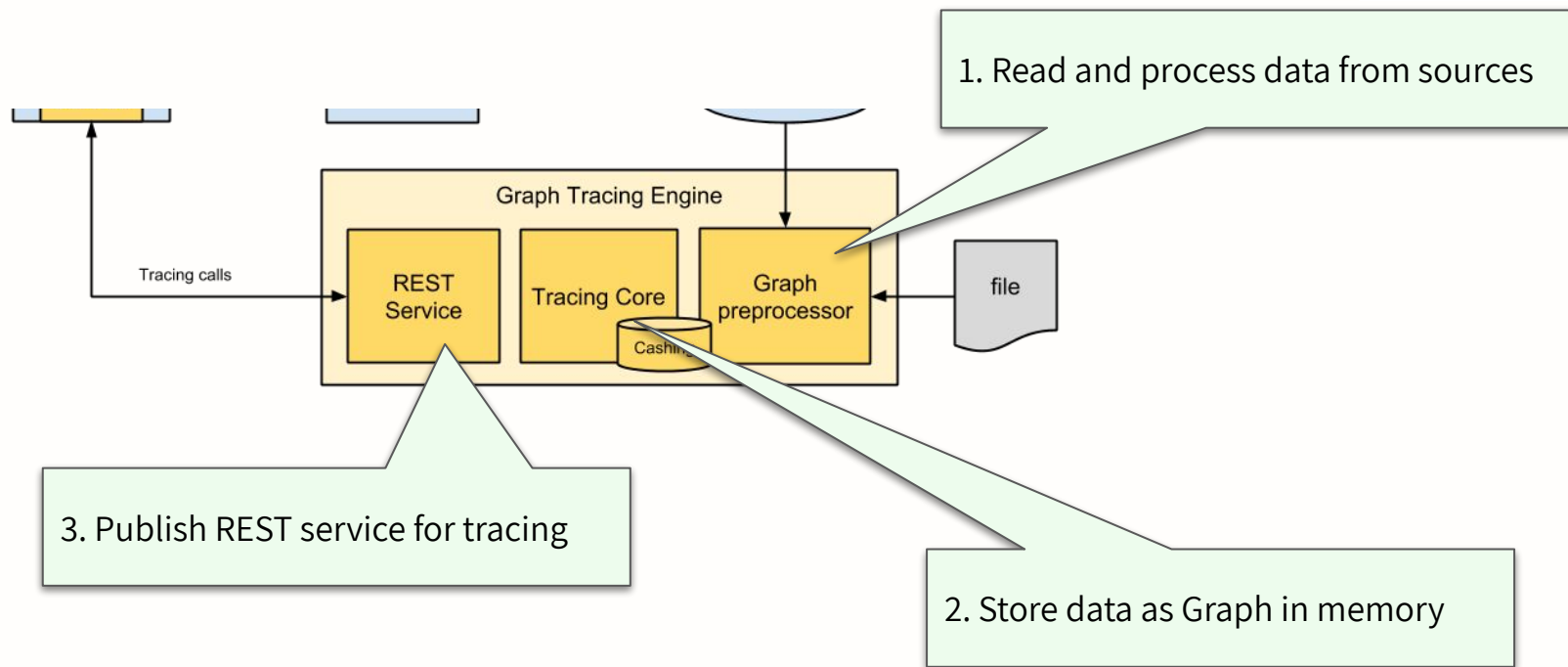
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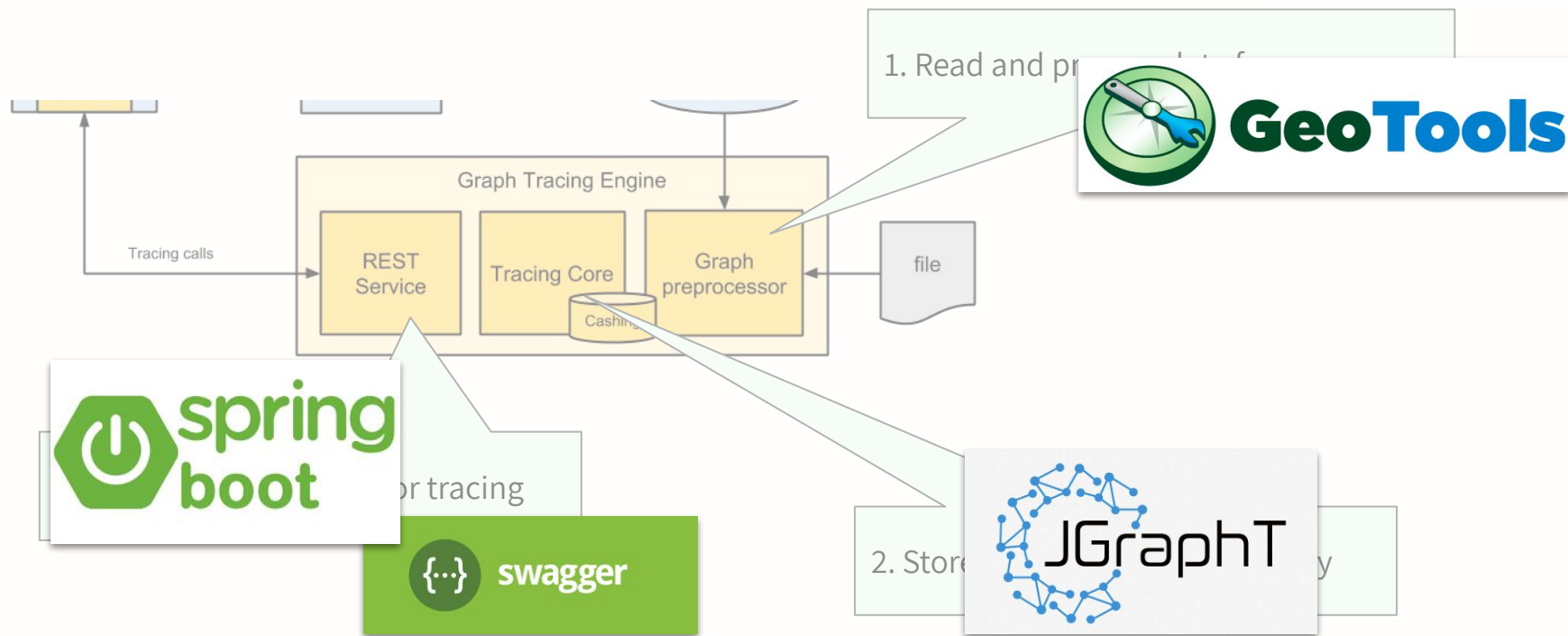
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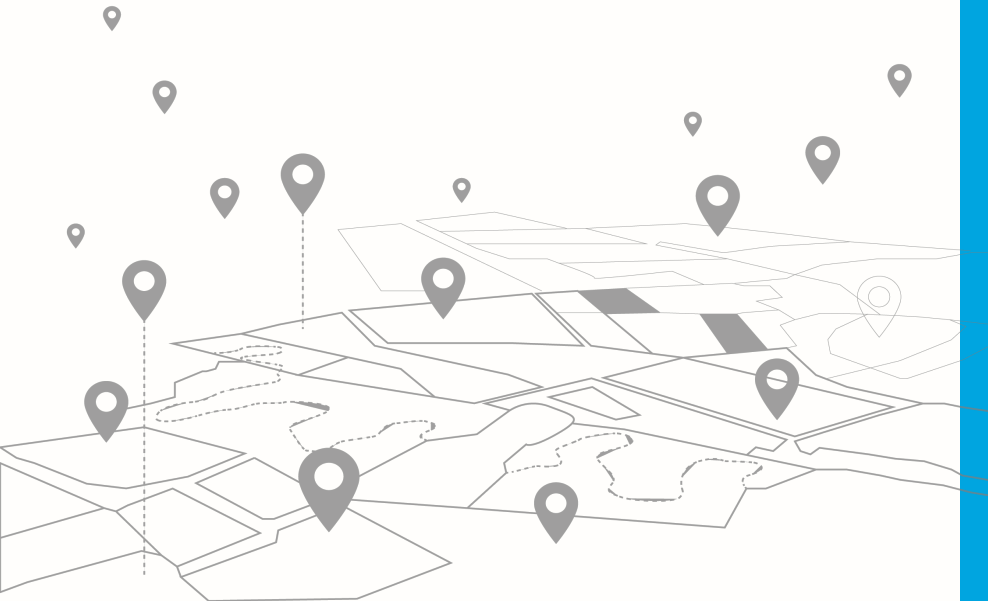
Graph Tracing Engine



Libraries



Future



Business opportunities study

Report delivered :

- USPs
- Technology choice
- Open source license options
- Immediate and potential future (by extending) use cases/applications
- Business opportunities

Other applications:

- Database Subsoil Flanders: Sediment tracing
- Think outside of the box

Open Source

"It takes a village to raise a child"

Open Source

Advantages

- Lower total cost of ownership
- Value for the society

Challenges

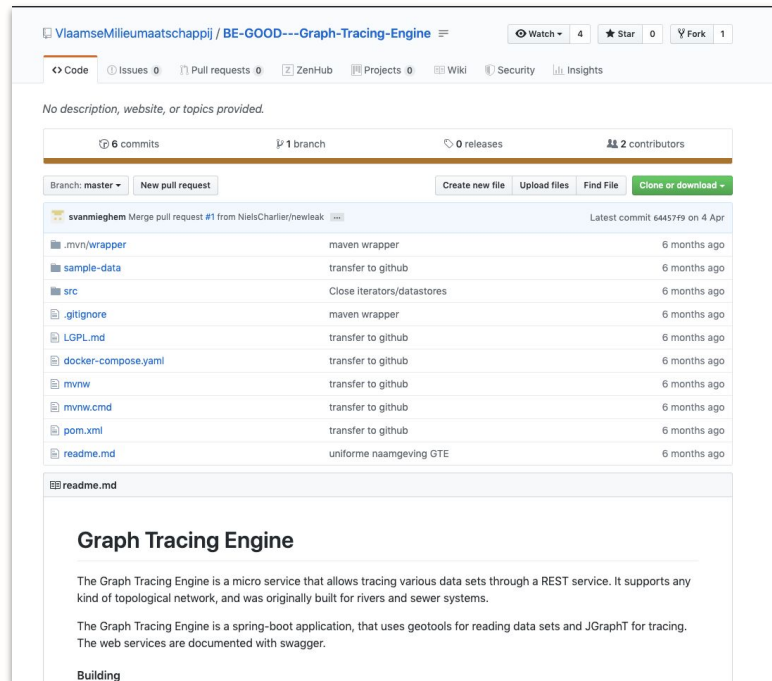
- Ownership
- User base - Community



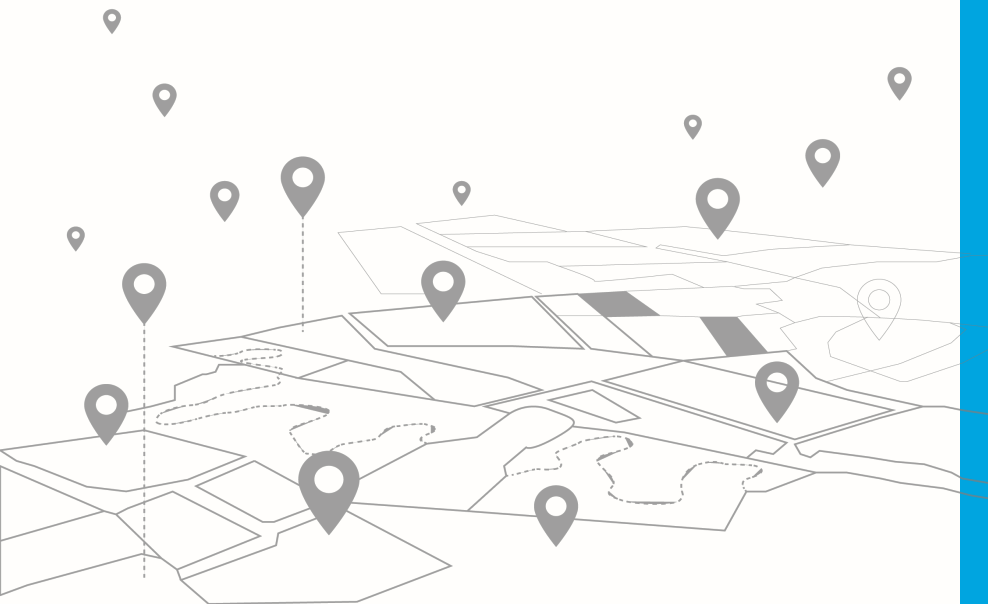
Getting started

- Visit the github page

<https://github.com/VlaamseMilieumaatschappij/BE-GOOD---Graph-Tracing-Engine>



The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for 'VlaamseMilieumaatschappij / BE-GOOD---Graph-Tracing-Engine'. The repository has 4 watches, 0 stars, and 1 fork. It contains 6 commits, 1 branch, 0 releases, and 2 contributors. The repository is currently on the 'master' branch. A merge pull request #1 from NilsCharlier/hewleak is shown, with the latest commit 64457f9 on 4 Apr. The repository contains several files, including .mvn/wrapper, sample-data, src, .gitignore, LGPL.md, docker-compose.yaml, mvnw, mvnw.cmd, pom.xml, and readme.md. The readme.md file is displayed, showing the title 'Graph Tracing Engine' and a description: 'The Graph Tracing Engine is a micro service that allows tracing various data sets through a REST service. It supports any kind of topological network, and was originally built for rivers and sewer systems. The Graph Tracing Engine is a spring-boot application, that uses geotools for reading data sets and JGraphT for tracing. The web services are documented with swagger. Building'.



Questions?

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