Spatial/Temporal Database

I created sample prefecture and volcano database for spatial/temporal database.

Entity

Prefecture: prefucture in Japan(県).

- pref_id: id
- name: name of the prefecture
- area: geological area of the prefecture
- · capital: capital city
- population: population of the prefecture
- size: the gross area (km^2)

Volcano: vlocano in Japan.

- mount_id: id
- name: name of the volcano
- place: geological place of the volcano described by point
- type: type of the volcano(0: shield volcano, 1: strato volcano, 2: lava dome)
- height: height of the volcano(m)
- dangerness: activeness of the volcano.

Releation

Relation of prefecture and volcano: this is not described as table, but you can know it by volcano_belongs_to function.

Eruption: Describes eruption event of each volcano.

- mount_id: id of volcano
- time: when the eruption happened
- · victims: number of victims

User Defined Functions

volcano_belongs_to: Describe which prefecture does given volcano id belongs to.

- · input: volcano id
- output: prefecture id(s)

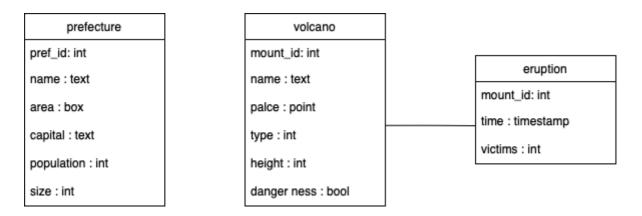
nearest_from: Return nearest volcano from given point.

- input: point
- · output: nearest volcano id from given point

is_eruption_in_time_range: Check whether given volcano has erupted within given time range.

- input: voicano id, time1, time2
- output: if given volcano had erupted in [time1, time2], then return true, else false

ER graph



Program and sample data

At here I discribe both table definition and sample data by SQL program.

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drop table if exists prefecture;
create table prefecture
(
    pref_id int,
    name text,
    area box,
    capital text,
    population int,
    size int
);
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (1, 'HOKKAIDO', box('(3,3)', '(4,4)'), 'SAPPORO', 5000000, 80000);
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (2, 'AOMORI', box('(2.5,2.5)', '(3,3)'), 'AOMORI', 100000, 3000);
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (3, 'NAGANO', box('(2,2)', '(2.5,2.5)'), 'MATSUMOTO', 300000,
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (4, 'YAMANASHI', box('(0.5,0.5)', '(1.2,1.2)'), 'KOFU', 300000,
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (5, 'TOKYO', box('(1,-1)', '(2,-3)'), 'TOKYO', 10000000, 3000);
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (6, 'HYOUGO', box('(-1,1)', '(-2,2)'), 'KOBE', 100000, 5000);
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
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values (7, 'KUMAMOTO', box('(-1,-1)', '(-1.5,-1.5)'), 'KUMAMOTO', 90000,
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (8, 'KAGOSHIMA', box('(-2.9,-2.9)', '(-4,-4)'), 'KAGOSHIMA',41000,
5000):
insert into prefecture(pref id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (9, 'NAGASAKI', box('(-2,-1)', '(-3,-2)'), 'NAGASAKI', 20000,
insert into prefecture(pref_id, name, area, capital, population, size)
values (10, 'OKINAWA', box('(-5,-5)', '(-7,-7)'), 'NAHA', 10000, 300);
drop table if exists volcano;
create table volcano
   mount_id int,
   name text,
    place point,
   type int,
    height int,
   dangerness boolean
);
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (1, 'ASAMA', '(2,2)', 0, 3000, 't');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (2, 'FUJI', '(1,1)', 1, 1000, 'f');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (3, 'RISHIRI', '(3,3)', 2, 1500, 't');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (4, 'IZU_OSHIMA', '(1,-1)', 0, 2000, 'f');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (5, 'UNZEN', '(-2,-1)', 1, 2500, 't');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (6, 'ASO', '(-1,-1)', 2, 1000, 'f');
insert into volcano(mount_id, name, place, type, height, dangerness)
values (7, 'SAKURA', '(-2,-2)', 0, '400', 't');
drop table if exists eruption;
create table eruption
   mount_id int,
   time timestamptz,
   victims int
);
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (1, '1960/1/1',
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (1, '1840/1/1',
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (2, '300/1/1',
1000);
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (3, '600/1/1', 300);
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (3, '1200/1/1',
2000);
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insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (3, '1800/1/1',
100000):
insert into eruption (mount id, time, victims) values (4, '1870/1/1',
5660);
insert into eruption (mount id, time, victims) values (4, '1950/1/1',
3994):
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (4, '1980/1/1',
insert into eruption (mount id, time, victims) values (5, '400/1/1',
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (5, '600/1/1',
5000):
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (6, '1300/1/1',
5000);
insert into eruption (mount id, time, victims) values (7, '2000/1/1',
2000);
insert into eruption (mount_id, time, victims) values (7, '1900/1/1',
1000):
create or replace function volcano_belongs_to(int)
returns int as
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select sq.pref_id from (
    select prefecture.pref_id
   from prefecture, volcano
   where volcano.mount_id=$1 and prefecture.area @> volcano.place
) as sq;
$body$
language sql;
create or replace function nearest from(point)
returns int as
$body$
select sq.mount_id from (
    select mount_id, place <-> $1 as d
   from volcano order by d asc limit 1
) as sq;
$body$
language sql;
create or replace function is_eruption_in_time_range(int, timestamptz,
timestamptz)
returns boolean as
$body$
select sq is not null from (
    select *
   from eruption
   where mount_id=$1 and $2 <= time and time <= $3</pre>
) as sq;
$body$
language sql;
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Sample program

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select * from volcano_belongs_to(1);

volcano_belongs_to
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3
(1 row)
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At here, by using volcano_belongs_to, you can check volcano ASAMA belongs to NAGANO prefecture.

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select * from nearest_from('(0,0)');

nearest_from
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2
(1 row)
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At here, by using nearest_from, you can check volcano ASAMA belongs to NAGANO prefecture.

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select *
from is_eruption_in_time_range(4, '1700/1/1', '2000/1/1');
is_eruption_in_time_range
-----t
(1 row)
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At here, by using is_eruption_in_time_range you can check that IZU_OSHIMA volcano had erupted within time range 1700/1/1~2000/1/1.

Discussion

Spatial/temporal data enables finding hidden relation by calculation. This gives high expressiveness of database, and even caching for claculation result can be implemented easily.

Spatial/temporal data gives us 4 dimensional (3D in space + 1D in time) view, which will be able to exploited by visualization.