

# A New Dimension to PostGIS : 3D



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# E-PLU Project



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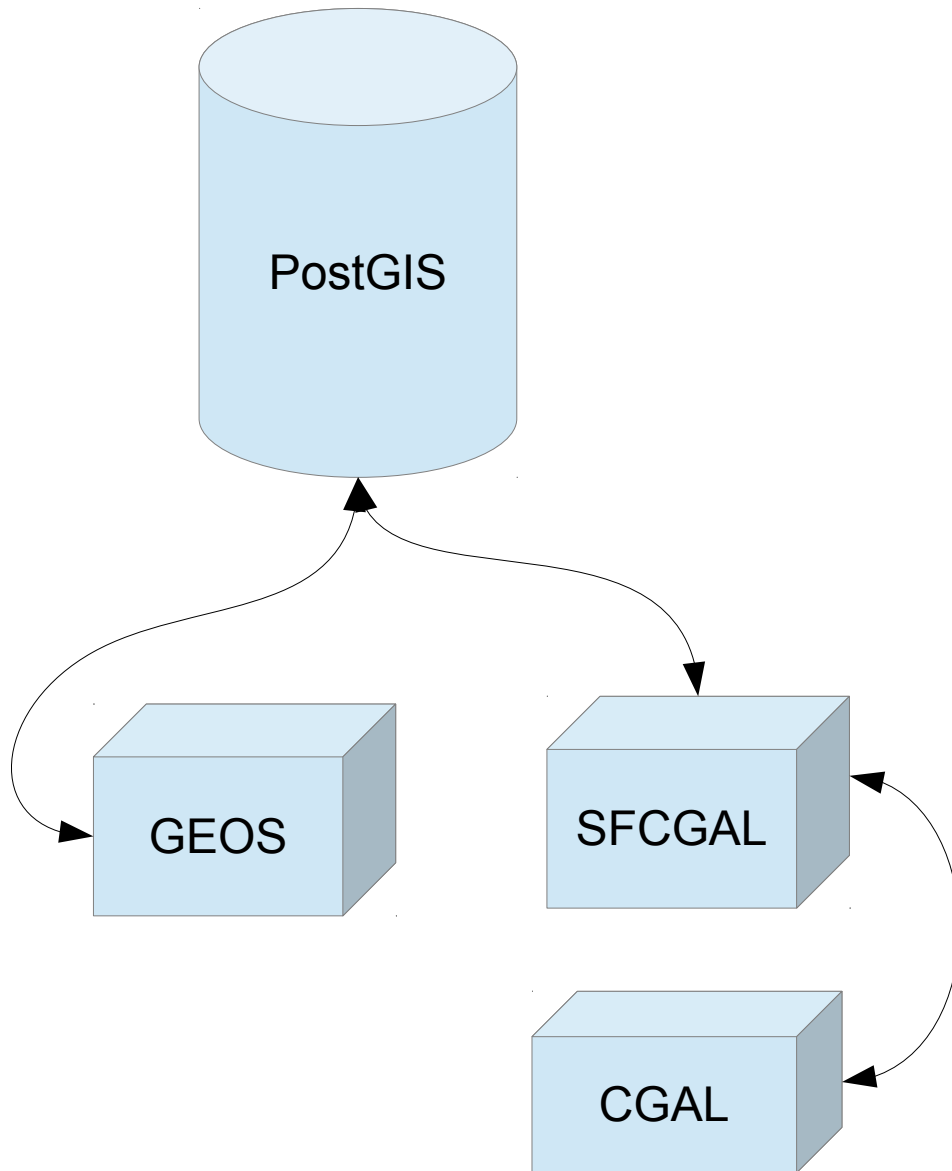




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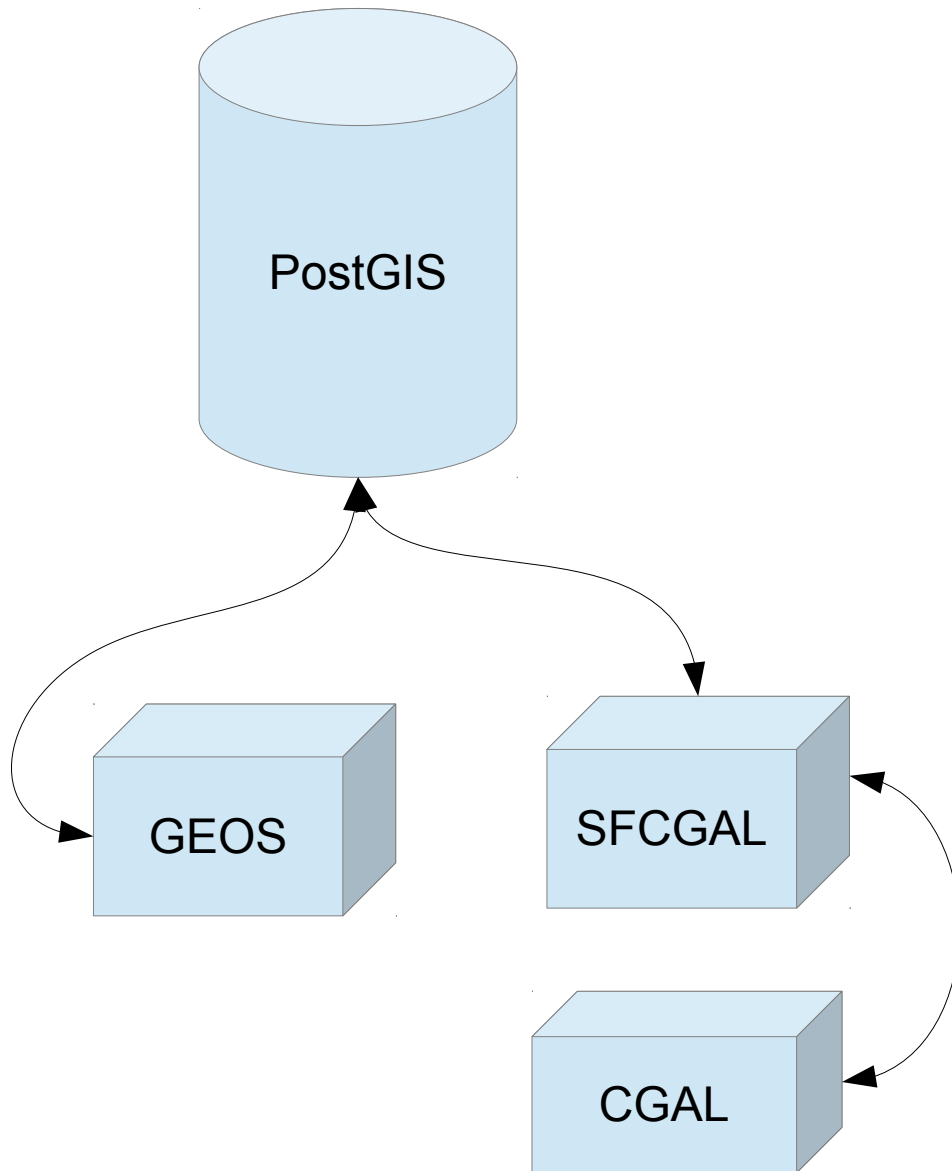
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CGAL



ST\_3DIntersection

ST\_Tessellate

ST\_3DArea

ST\_Extrude

ST\_ForceLHR

ST\_Orientation

ST\_MinkowskiSum

ST\_StraightSkeleton



SFCGAL functions

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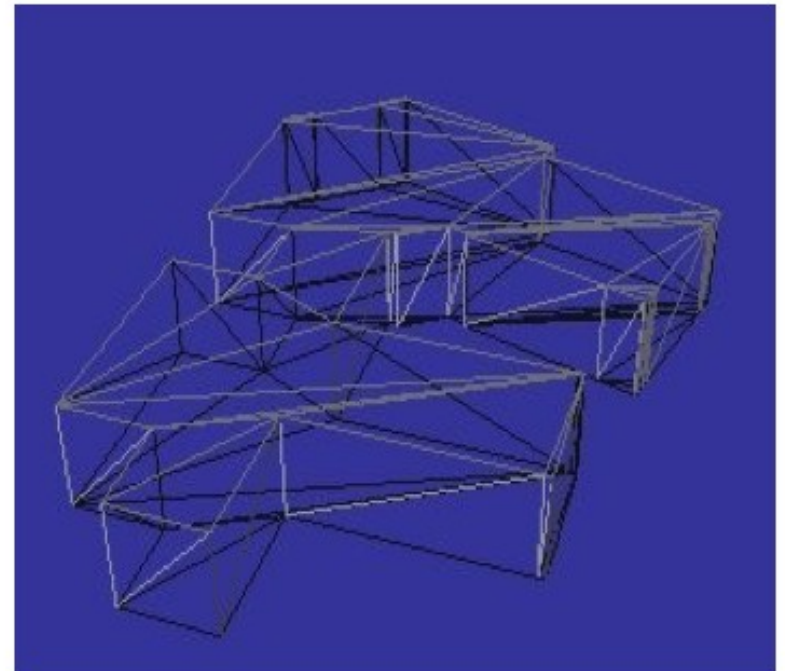
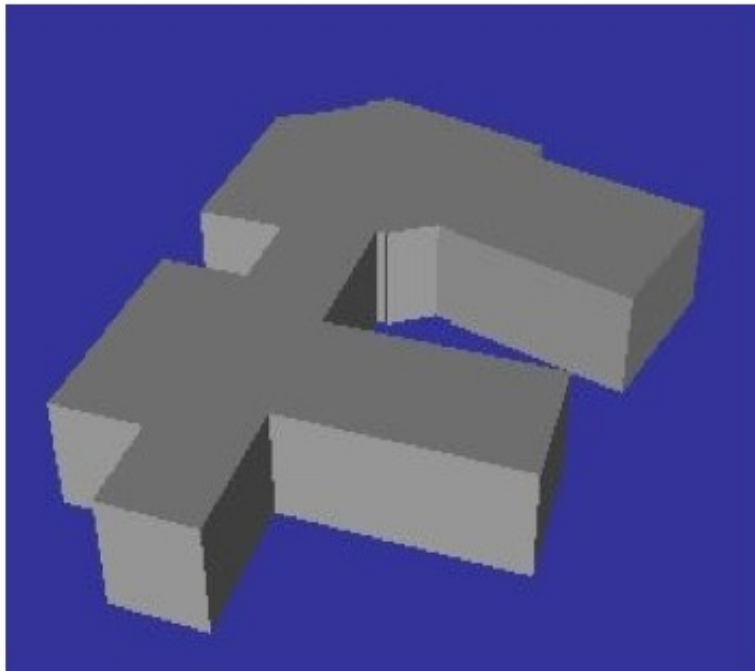
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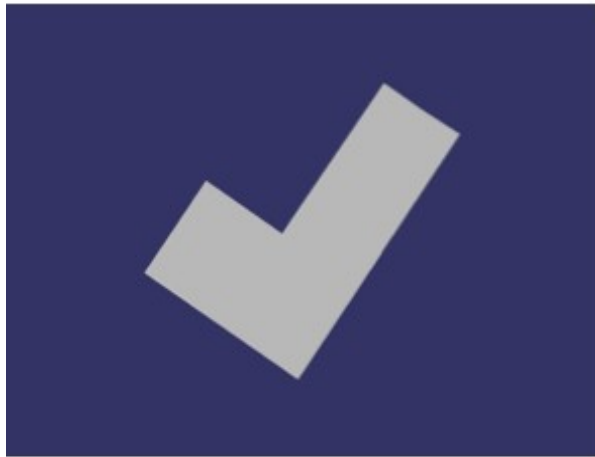
SFCGAL functions



# ST\_Tessellate



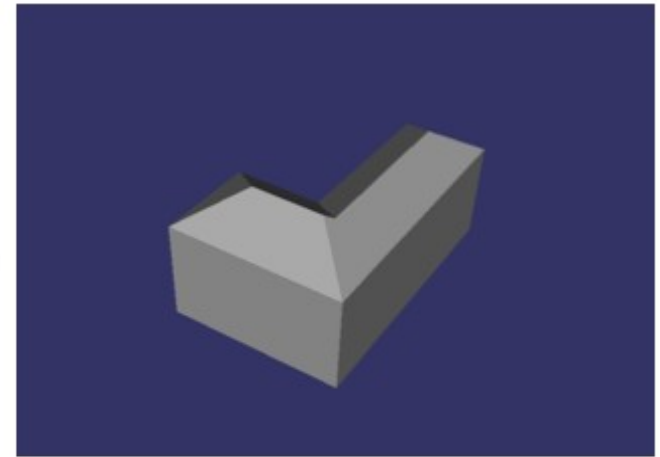
# ST\_StraightSkeleton



2D Building  
Footprint



Straight Skeleton



Extrusion  
& roof computation

ST\_Intersects

ST\_3DIntersects

ST\_Intersection

ST\_Area

ST\_Distance

ST\_3DDistance



Both GEOS & SFCGAL

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SET postgis.backend = 'geos' ;
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SET postgis.backend = 'sfcgal' ;
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Regress tests PostGIS for GEOS

OK

GardenTest PostGIS

OK

3D Invalid geometry proof

OK

Wide user community

not yet

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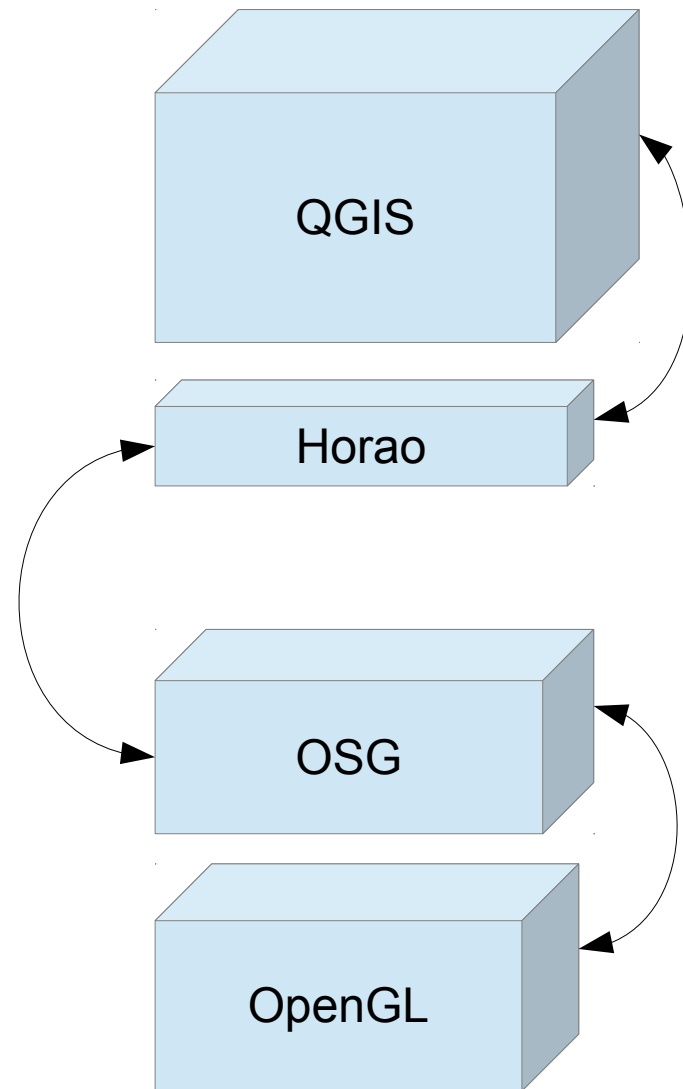
**But some 3D computation could take time.**

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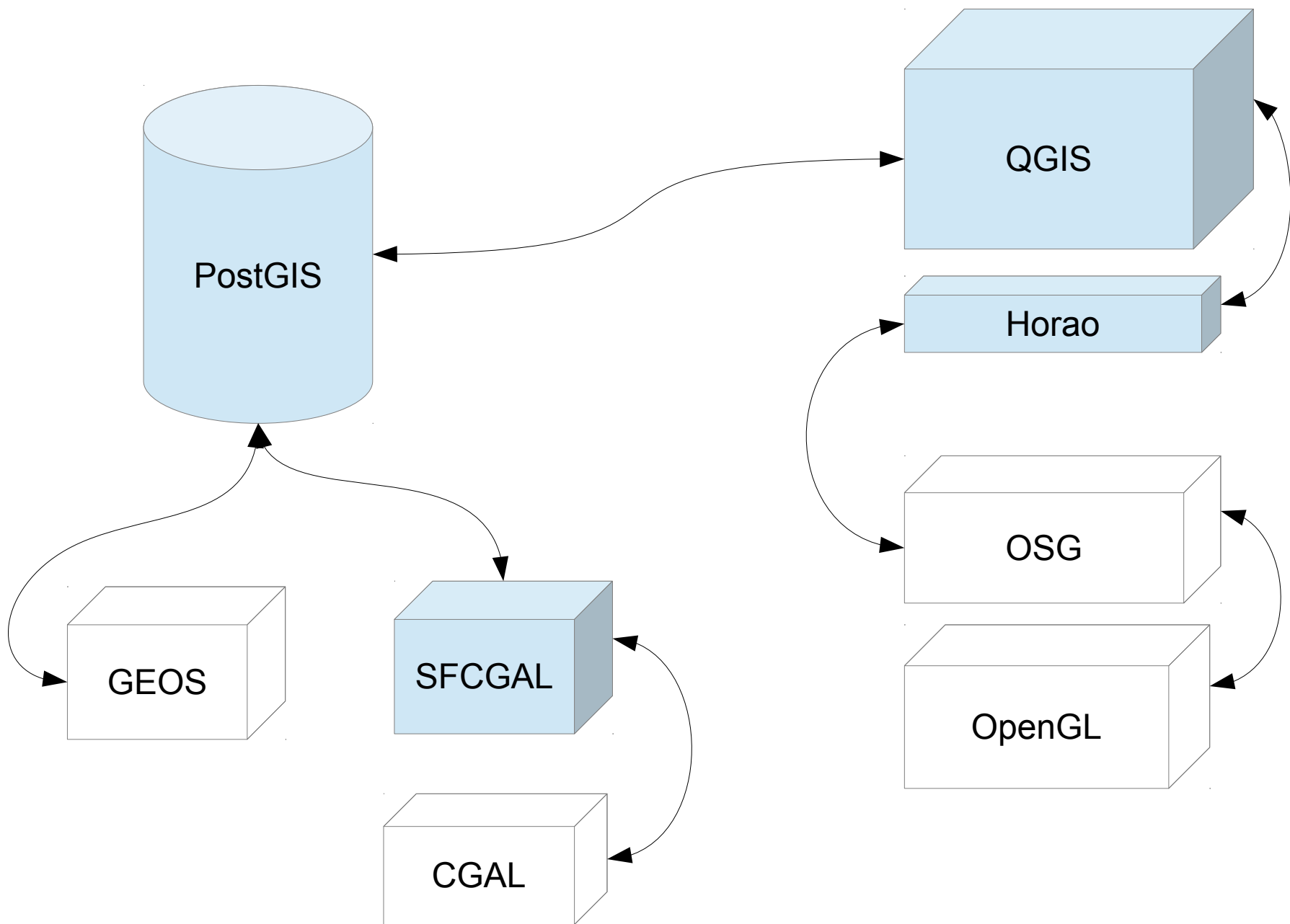
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PostGIS [www.postgis.org](http://www.postgis.org)

SFCGAL [www.sfcgal.org](http://www.sfcgal.org)

Horao [www.horao.net](http://www.horao.net)

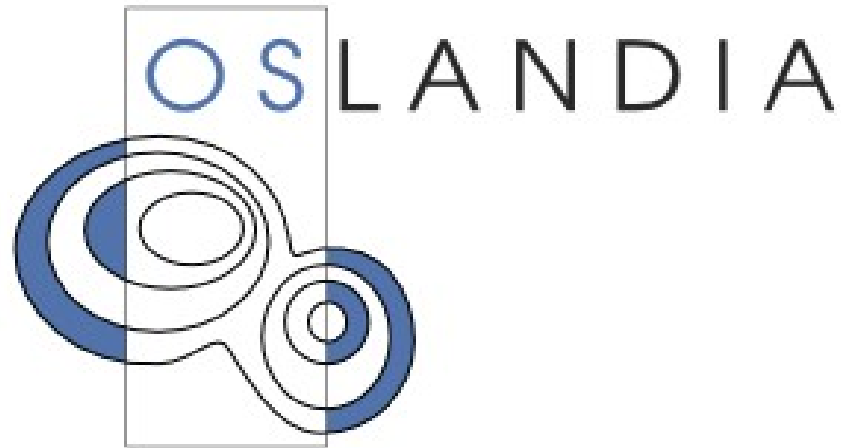
QGIS [www.qgis.org](http://www.qgis.org)



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