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Challenge #26: Service Technician Travel Distance



GeneR
Alteryx Alumni (Retired)

The link to last week's challenge (challenge #25) is [HERE](#)

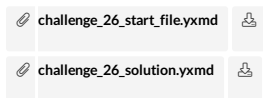
This week's challenge is a use case faced by one of our customers that can leverage the geo-spatial tools available in Alteryx. If you have the spatial data available you can output your results as drive-distance, in the event that you do not have the drive-distance data available, please use the straight-line distance. The basic tools and setup of the data needed will be identical. Output results will be provided for both methods. In the event that you use drive-distance and your results vary slightly from the sample output, it may be due to variance in the data set used for the exercise.

Use Case: in order to audit their employee expense reports, a service company would like to calculate how far (in miles) their technician is traveling from their hotels, to the worksite, then to their destination hotel on a daily basis.

The Data: The source is collected in a way that record 1 contains the spatial object for the beginning hotel for day 1, record 2 is the spatial object for the worksite for day 1, and record 3 is the spatial object for the ending hotel for day 1. This pattern repeats for three successive days.

Find the distance on a daily basis the technician is either driving or straight line distance if you don't have the spatial data available.

Enjoy!



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TaraM
Alteryx

A solution has been uploaded

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LeahK
Alteryx Community Team

[Challenge accepted](#) :)

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19 - Altair

[@JoeM](#)

Here's my abbreviated take on this one.... I followed a different path from [@LeahK](#) :)

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ACE SeanAdams

17 - Castor

solution attached - slightly different approach

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ACE NicoleJohnson

15 - Aurora

I used straight-line distance for this one. I feel like there was probably another way that wouldn't involve Tiles & Cross-Tab, but it worked... :)

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ACE estherb47

15 - Aurora

My solution looks very much like [@NicoleJohnson](#)'s

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LordNeilLord

15 - Aurora

A nice easy one to start the day with

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Laurap1228

11 - Bolide

I really liked this one :) I always feel smart when I solve the challenge quickly.

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8 - Asteroid

I arrived at a similar solution to the 'official' one. Although I *did* have to solicit some help from a colleague who ultimately put me on the right path.

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