Chapter 1

OpenStreetMap Integration

Note:

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OpenStreetMap is a collaborative project to create maps (http://openstreetmap.org) which offers a nice API to access and download map tiles.

The class RTOSM stands for OpenStreetMap and is a shape that download and render tiles. Consider the following example:

```
v := RTView new.
map := RTOSM new.
e := map element.
v add: e.
v @ RTDraggableView.
v
```

Figure 1.1 is obtained by simply creating an element from the shape RTOSM and adding it to a view. The map can be scrolled (thanks to $v \otimes RTD$ raggableView). The Pharo inspector offers zooming in and out.

1.1 Moving the camera to particular locations

The camera represents the location the user will see the roassal output, and is located at the center of the window that renders the scene. The camera could be located to any particular geographical location. Consider the following:

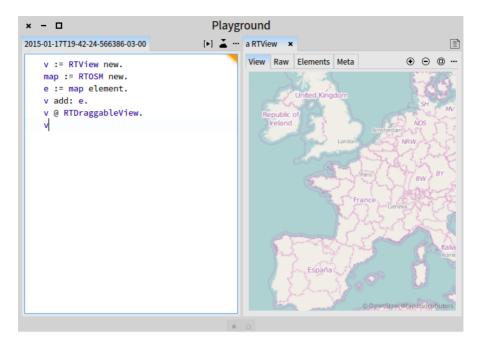


Figure 1.1: Simple example of using RTOSM.

```
v := RTView new.
map := RTOSM new.
e := map element.

v add: e.

paris := 48.8567 @ 2.3508.

v @ RTDraggableView.

v canvas camera translateTo: (map latLonToRoassal: paris).
v canvas camera noInitializationWhenOpen.
v
```

The variable paris contains a point latitude @ longitude. These coordinate are easily obtained by googling for it (*e.g.*, paris latitude and longitude location is good enough).

Consider the following variation (Figure 1.3):

```
v := RTView new.
map := RTOSM new.
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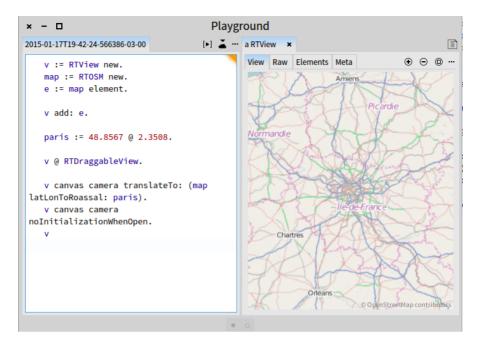


Figure 1.2: Pointing the camera to Paris.

```
e := map element.

v add: e.

v @ RTDraggableView.

movingCamera := [ :locationLatLong |
    v canvas camera translateTo:
        (map latLonToRoassal: locationLatLong).
    v signalUpdate ].

"Adding a menu"
    mb := RTMenuBuilder new.
    mb view: v.
    mb menu: 'Paris' callback: [ movingCamera value: 48.8567 @ 2.3508 ].
    mb menu: 'London' callback: [ movingCamera value: 51.50722 @ -0.12750 ].
    mb menu: 'NewYork' callback: [ movingCamera value: 40.7127 @ -74.0059 ].
    mb build.
```

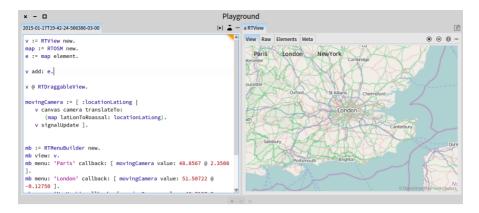


Figure 1.3: Adding a menu with locations.

The script above defines the block called movingCamera which takes as argument a geographical location. The blocks moves the camera accordingly and signal a refresh. A menu is then defined to let the user click on each city name to move the camera.

1.2 Decorating the map

Roassal elements may be added to a view, on top a map. The method RTOSM>>latLonToRoassal: is used to translate geographical coordinates into Roassal space. Consider the following example that shows seisms on Earth (Figure 1.4):

```
csv := (ZnEasy get: 'http://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/feed/v0.1/summary
  /2.5 month.csv') contents.
tab := RTTabTable new
  input: csv
  usingDelimiter: $,.
tab removeFirstRow.
tab replaceEmptyValuesWith: '0' inColumns: #(2 3 5).
tab convertColumnsAsFloat: #(2 3 5).
v := RTView new.
map := RTOSM new.
e := map element.
v add: e.
tab values
  do: [ :row |
     e := (RTEllipse new
      size: (2 raisedTo: row fifth) * 10;
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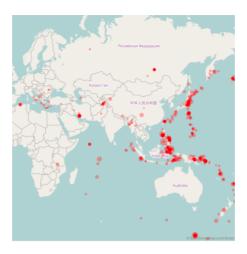


Figure 1.4: Seisms on Earth.

```
color: (Color red alpha: 0.3)) elementOn: row fifth.
e @ RTPopup @ RTHighlightable.
e translateTo: (map latLonToRoassal: row second @ row third).
v add: e].

v canvas camera scale: 0.02; noInitializationWhenOpen.

v @ RTDraggableView.
v
```

The script begins by fetching data from the Earthquake Hazards Program server. The fetched CSV file has to be slightly processed to replace " entries by ,0, and convert some columns into float numbers. Column 2 of the file coorrespond to the latitude of the event; Column 3 to the longitude; Column 5 to the seism intensity.

For each table row an ellipse is created with an exponential size. Each produced element has a popup and is highlightable. The ellipse is then translated to its position in the Roassal space.

A scale of 0.02 is used to give an overview of the map. Thanks to the noInitializationWhenOpen setting the map keeps the 0.02 scale value when opened. Without this setting, the value of 1 is used.

Finally, the view is made as draggable.

1.3 Getting country location

It is frequent that some data are given for a particular country. Visualizing data-related country involves a translation from the country name to the geographical location. Consider the data offered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (unhcr) (UNHCR, http://popstats.unhcr.org).

Here is a except of a file obtained from the UNHCR server:

```
Year,Country/territory of residence,Total population
2013,Afghanistan,985191
2013,Albania,7747
2013,Algeria,95921
...
```

Visually representing the number of refugies on an OpenStreetMap requires translating the word Afghanistan and all other country names into points as latitude @ longitude. Since this is a frequent need, we provide facilities for this. The expression RTOSM downloadCountries at: 'result' uses googleapis.com to extract the list of countries and their position. The expression returns a list of dictionaries. Since the result is faithfully structured as the HTTP request, extracting data is a bit cumbersome. Here is an example of getting the geolocation of Afghanistan:

```
"Better to store the result in a variable, since it is a time-expensive operation" result := RTOSM downloadCountries at: 'result'.

d := ((result detect: [ :dd | (dd at: 'name') = 'Afghanistan' ]) at: '/location/location/ geolocation') first.
(d at: 'latitude') @ (d at: 'longitude')
```

Consider the following script (Figure 1.5):

"We are interested in countries that have at least one refugy and we reverse-sort the countries according to the number of refugies they have. This help in case

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Figure 1.5: Refugees monitored by the UNHCR.

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of element overlap of elements"
interestingRows := (tab values reject: [ :row | row third < 1 ])
     sorted: [:a:b|athird>bthird].
interestingRows do: [:row |
  "Trying to get the country corresponding to the row"
  theCountry := countries
     detect: [:each | '*', (each at: 'name'), '*' match: row second ]
     ifNone: [ nil ].
  theCountry ifNotNil: [
     | lat lon dict |
     dict := (theCountry at: '/location/location/geolocation') first.
     lat := dict at: 'latitude'.
     lon := dict at: 'longitude'.
     e := (RTEllipse new
     size: (row third / Float pi) sqrt * 2;
     color: (Color blue alpha: 0.3))
     elementOn:
      {(row second).
      (row third)}.
     e @ RTPopup.
     e translateTo: (map latLonToRoassal: lat @ lon).
     v add: e ] ].
v @ RTDraggableView @ RTZoomableView.
```

The method peopleForUNHCR contains the data fetched from the UNHCR server.