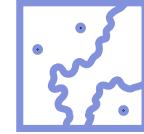


A Developer's Guide to Open Source Web Mapping Libraries



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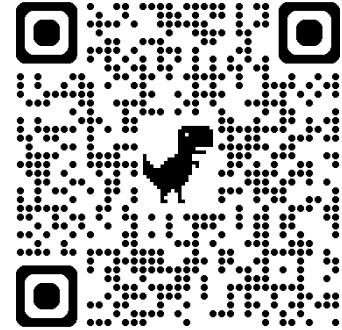


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Agenda



[github.com/cyatteau/oredev25-
open-source-mapping](https://github.com/cyatteau/oredev25-open-source-mapping)

01

Intro to Mapping

Vocab, concepts, etc.

02

Web Mapping Libraries

Two different open source options

03

Other Library Integrations

Using third-party plugins

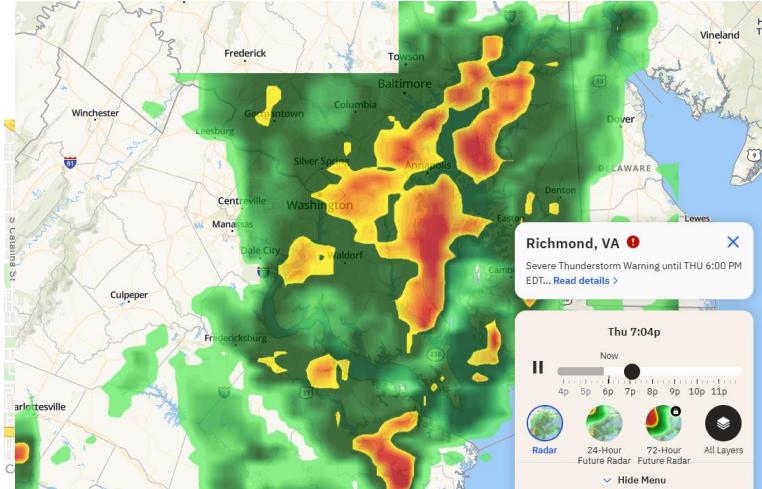
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Conclusions

Real-world examples and summaries

Role of Mapping

01 Visualization 



02 Navigation 



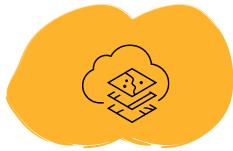
03 Communication 

04 Prediction 

Key Web Mapping Concepts



Basemaps

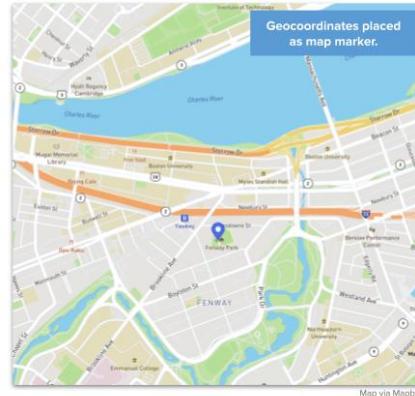


Data Layers



Geocoding

Geocoding



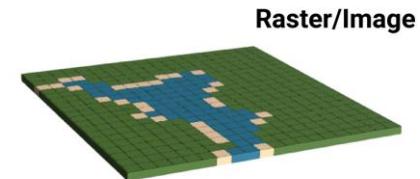
Basemap Formats

Raster Tiles

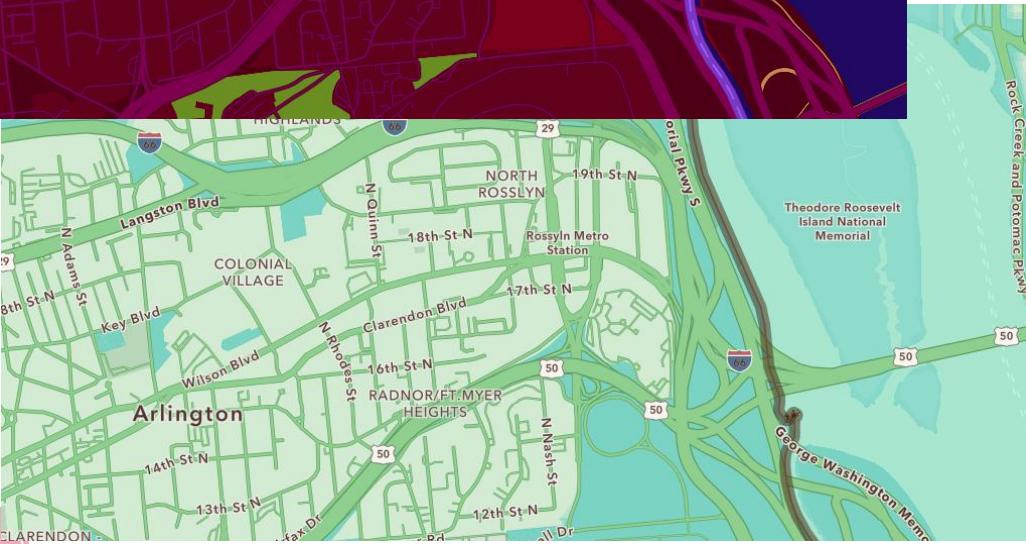
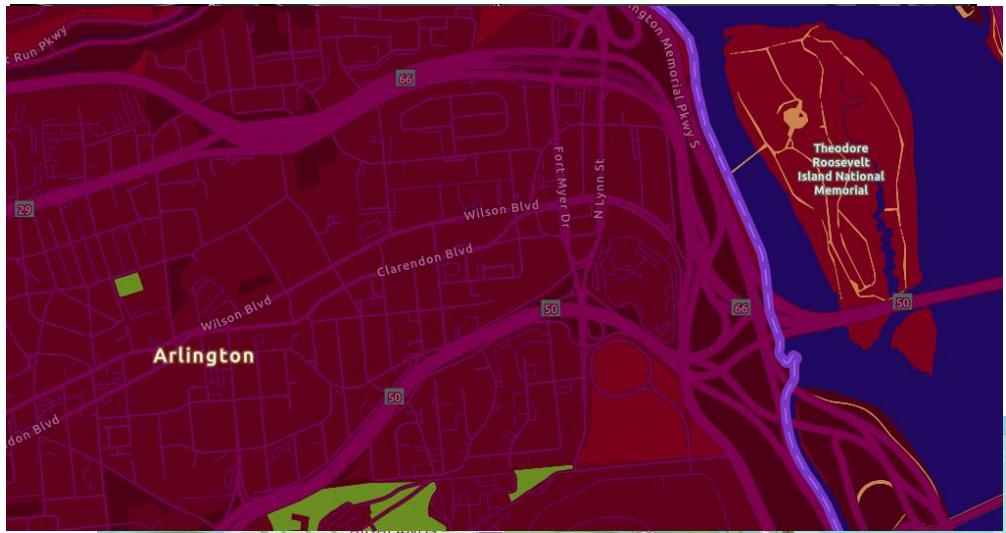
- Fixed look
- Quick and easy
- Reliable in low bandwidth

Vector Tiles

- Customizable
- Smooth and interactive
- Efficient on various devices



Basemap Styles



Streets



Satellite
Imagery



Terrain/
Topographic



Dark/Light
Modes



Custom
Themes

Data Layer Types

01

GeoJSON Layer

02

Esri Feature Layer

03

Vector Tile Layer

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Library Commonalities

Core Tech

- Built on JavaScript
- Compatible with HTML & CSS
- Works across modern browsers

Open Source

- Cost-Effectiveness
- Community-driven
- Modifiable
- Interoperable

Easy to Learn

- Simple APIs
- Extensive documentation
- Abundance of Resources

Key Features

- Interactive & mobile friendly
- Customizable
- Web Mercator projection

Leaflet



leafletjs.com



github.com/Leaflet



- Lightweight (~42 KB JS)
- Tons of plugins
- Focuses on simplicity and performance

Esri Leaflet



developers.arcgis.com/esri-leaflet



github.com/Esri/esri-leaflet

Esri/esri-leaflet

A lightweight set of tools for working with ArcGIS services in Leaflet. 



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- Seamless ArcGIS integration
- Developer-friendly
- Extensive Documentation

ArcGIS REST JS



developers.arcgis.com/arcgis-rest-js



github.com/Esri/arcgis-rest-js

Esri/arcgis-rest-js

compact, modular JavaScript wrappers for the
ArcGIS REST API



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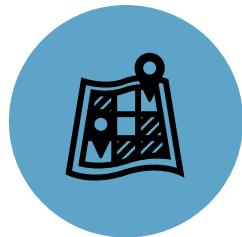
- Wrapper for ArcGIS REST APIs
- Module & promise-based
- No map component

Leaflet Demos

- 1) Simple map
- 2) GeoJSON layer
- 3) Feature layer
- 4) Feature layer
Geosearch
- 5) Places Service



Leaflet Demos Takeaways



Demo 1: Simple Map

- Basemap - image tiles
- Small geoJSON layer

Demo 2: Large Data Sets

- Feature Layers – load to extent
- Clustering features

Demo 3: Geosearch

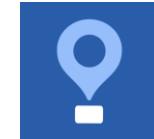
- Search with providers and set parameters

Demo 4: Places Service

- On-demand place search
- Near-point or extent



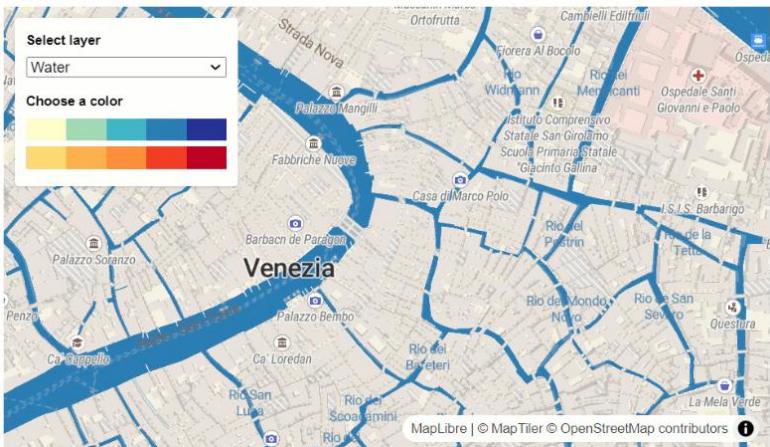
MapLibre GL JS



maplibre.org



github.com/maplibre/maplibre-gl-js



- Fork of Mapbox GL JS 1.x
 - WebGL rendering
 - Dynamic data integration
 - Customizable styling options

MapLibre ArcGIS Plugin



developers.arcgis.com/maplibre-gl-js



github.com/Esri/maplibre-arcgis

MapLibre GL JS and ArcGIS

This guide covers how to build mapping applications with MapLibre GL JS and ArcGIS. It shows you how to use the [MapLibre ArcGIS plugin](#) and [ArcGIS REST JS](#) to access location services, data services, and the spatial analysis service.

What's in this guide

Learn how to

- Display basemap styles
- Create custom styles
- Migrate Mapbox apps and data
- Display feature, vector tile, and map tile data
- Geocode, route, and find places
- Perform mapping and analysis operations

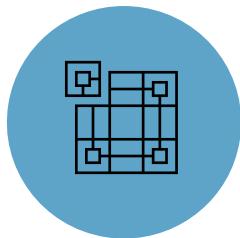
- Easy access to ArcGIS:
 - Basemap Styles service
 - feature services
 - vector tile services



MapLibre GL JS Demos

- 1) Simple map + styles
- 2) Feature layer
 - Clustering
 - Querying
- 3) Vector tile layer
- 4) Data Enrichment

MapLibre GL JS Demos Takeaways



Demo 1: Simple Map + Styles

- Basemap - vector tiles
- Various styles



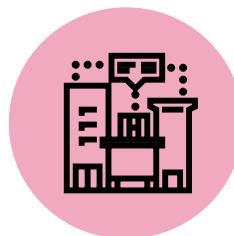
Demo 2: Feature Layer

- Pagination
- Querying



Demo 3: Vector Tile Layer

- Handle large datasets



Demo 4: Data Enrichment

- Gain location-based insights



Real-World Examples



Conclusions

Leaflet

Pros

- Lightweight, easy
- Many plugins

Cons

- Limited for large datasets
- Simple visualizations

MapLibre GL JS

Pros

- Large dataset handling
- vector basemaps

Cons

- Resource-intensive

Additional Resources

- [Leaflet basemap styles providers](#)
- [Malmo's open data portal](#)
- [ArcGIS Hub \(open data\)](#)
- [Analysis Variable Finder](#)

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