

GIS.lab

**news from development of technology for rapid
deployment of complete geospatial infrastructure
with supercow capabilities**

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The Cow

3 years old, **30 litres** of milk for **20 kg** of GRASS daily



Introduction

The Problem

We always need **more than one app** for our **GIS work flow**

The Problem

Deployment and maintenance of **complex system** is **time consuming** even when things are going flawlessly

The Problem

which usually they are **not** (:

The Idea

Is there any chance to have a system which is working
out-of-box ?

The Super Cow

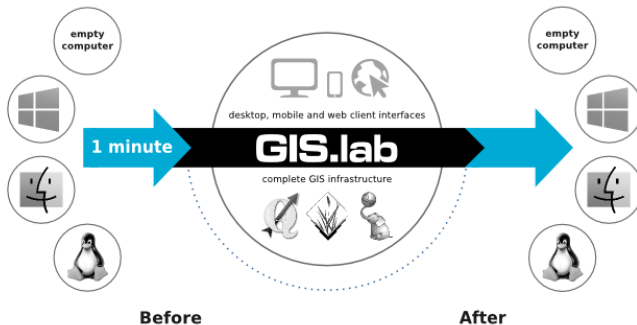
Instantly in production, **no feeding**



What is GIS.lab ?

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Free technology which can **instantly** turn any computer network in to the **fully equipped geospatial cluster**



What is GIS.lab ?

and **back** again

Key Features

- ▶ only **single one machine** needs to be installed per network
- ▶ fully **automatic** installation
- ▶ client machines are working **out-of-box**
- ▶ contains everything **from data storage** to **mobile client interface**

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GIS.lab Cluster Architecture



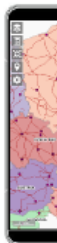
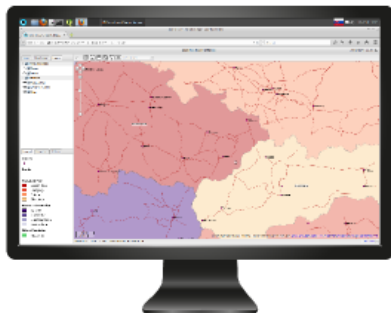
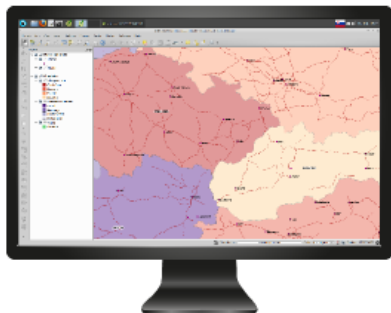
GIS.lab Server (Master)

- ▶ **cluster** orchestration
- ▶ **data storage** and **sharing**
- ▶ **load balancing**

GIS.lab Clients

- ▶ initialized **from server**
- ▶ **user interfaces** for data processing, analysis and collaboration
- ▶ **computing power** for cluster

Desktop, Web and Mobile Client Interfaces



So, what's new ?

mostly **everything**

Deployment

Automatic Installation



- ▶ **no requirements on target machine** except SSH
- ▶ idempotent **modules, templates**
- ▶ **cloud providers** AWS, GCE, Digital Ocean, Azure ...

Automatic Installation



```
$ ansible-playbook  
  --inventory=gislab.inventory  
  --private-key=~/.ssh/id_rsa  
  system/gislab.yml
```

Virtual Machine - Development and Testing



```
$ vagrant up

Bringing machine 'gislab_vagrant' up with 'virtualbox'
provider...
==> gislab_vagrant: Importing base box
'precise-canonical'...
==> gislab_vagrant: Running provisioner: install
(ansible)...
```

GIS.lab Unit - End User Deployment



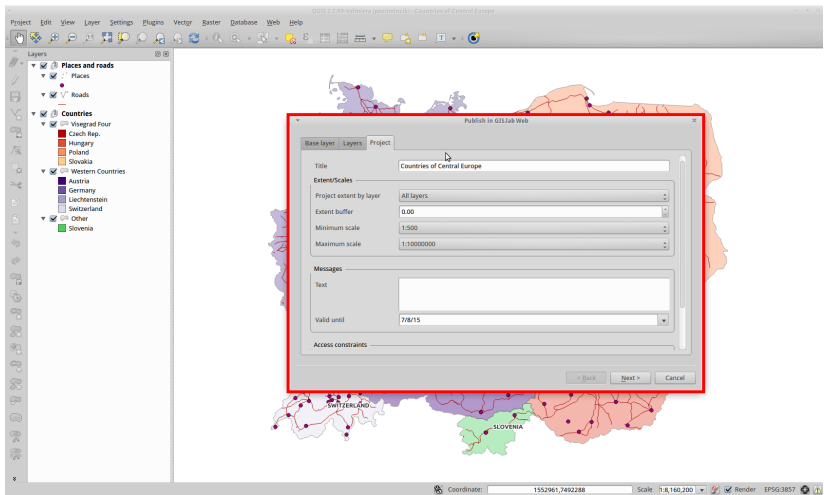
- ▶ Intel Haswell, **16 GB RAM, SSD**, tested with **20 clients**
- ▶ **portable, pocket size** (11 x 11 x 4 cm)
- ▶ **plug-and-play**
- ▶ **automatic** host **network adaptation**

Client Interfaces

Client Interfaces Architecture

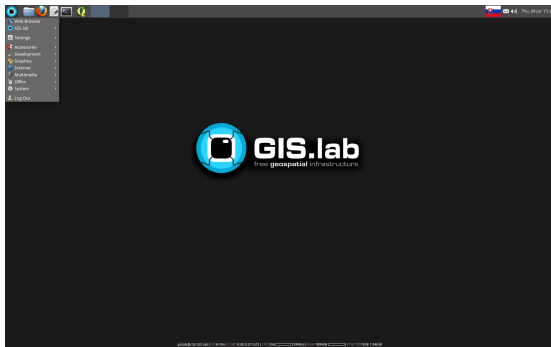


Publishing to Web and Mobile



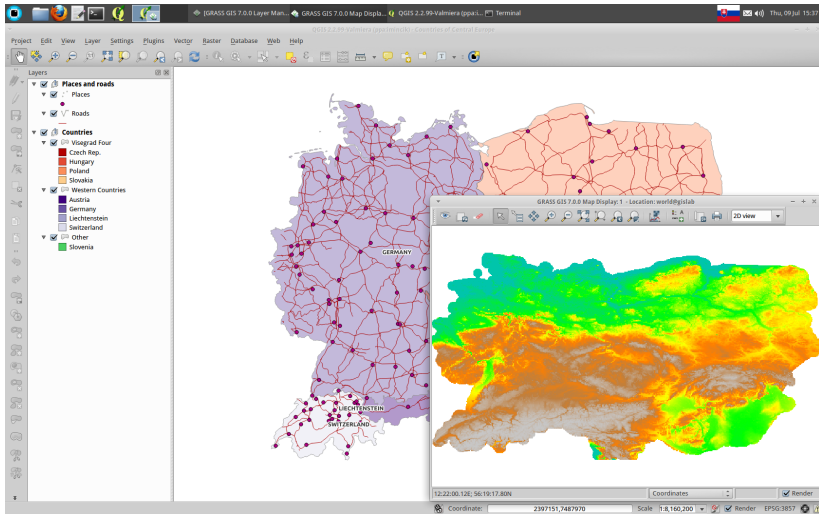
Desktop

Desktop Interface

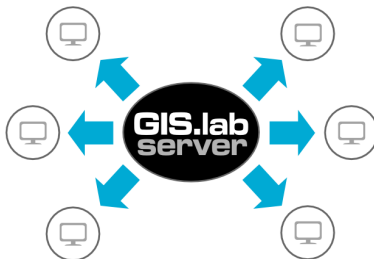


- ▶ **traditional, customized, low resources** environment
- ▶ **office** and **geospatial** software
- ▶ combination of **desktop performance** with **web accessibility**

Desktop Interface

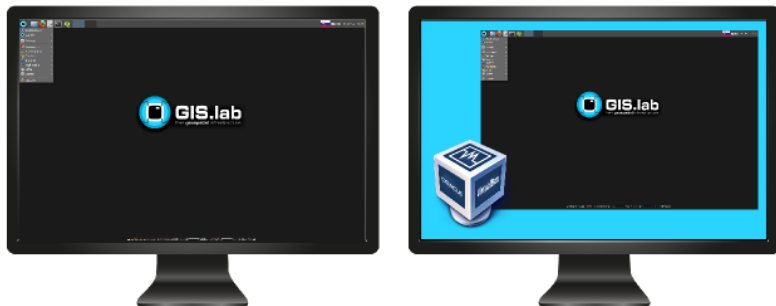


Machines Initialization



- ▶ **initialized** from **GIS.lab network** (PXE, HTTP)
- ▶ always **clean system**, **maintenance-free**
- ▶ **no HDD** required
- ▶ using **full hardware potential** - opposite to thin client

Physical or Virtual Mode



- ▶ **physical mode:** best performance, original OS is temporary lost
- ▶ **virtual mode:** any OS, original OS and GIS.lab are available

Customization

```
$ gislab-client-shell -i    # enter client env
$ apt-get install gedit    # install Gedit
$ exit                     # exit client env
$ gislab-client-image      # deploy updated client image
```

- ▶ **well known tools**
- ▶ **rollback**

Booster File System

Test writing of 2 GB file

HDD

```
$ dd if=/dev/zero of=/tmp/test.f bs=1M count=2048  
2147483648 bytes (2,1 GB) copied, 24,8055 s, 86,6 MB/s
```

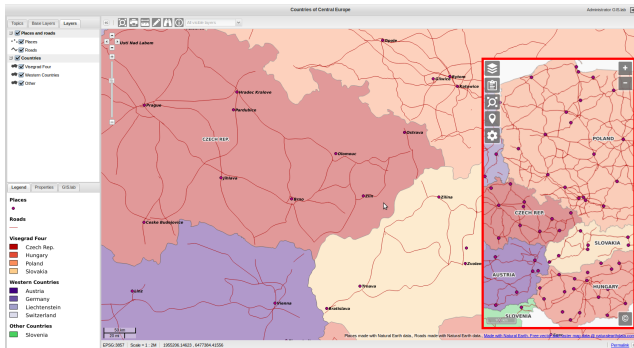
Booster

```
$ dd if=/dev/zero of=~ /Booster/test.f bs=1M count=2048  
2147483648 bytes (2,1 GB) copied, 0,582147 s, 3,7 GB/s
```

- ▶ **super fast** file system in RAM
- ▶ ideal for **temporary files**

Web and Mobile

Web and Mobile Interface



- ▶ **themes**, **base** and **overlay** layers
- ▶ advanced **search** forms
- ▶ **print** outputs
- ▶ vector features **drawing** and **sharing**

Web Interface

GISlab User Page - Mozilla Firefox

https://web.gis.lab/user/gislab

GISlab User Page Administrator GISlab

Projects Drawings User account

Title Publication time Expiration time Authentication URL OWS URL

[Empty Project](#)

Countries of Central Europe 15-12-09 25-09-2014 all <https://web.gis.lab/> <https://web.gis.lab/?PROJECT=gislab%2Fnatural-earth%2Fcentral-europe> <https://web.gis.lab/?PROJECT=MAP%2Fcentral-europe-app>

Countries of Central Europe - Mozilla Firefox

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Countries of Central Europe Administrator GISlab

Topics Base Layers Layers

☒ Places and roads

☒ Places

☒ Roads

☒ Countries

☒ Visegrad Four

☒ Western Countries

☒ Other

Legend Properties GISlab

Places

Roads

Visegrad Four

Czech Rep.

Hungary

Poland

Slovakia

Western Countries

Austria

Germany

Places

Logical operator: AND Limit: 50

Country: Slovakia

Restrict on visible areas

Search

200 km

100 m

Web made with Natural Earth data. Roads made with Natural Earth data. <https://web.gis.lab/?PROJECT=gislab%2Fcentral-europe>

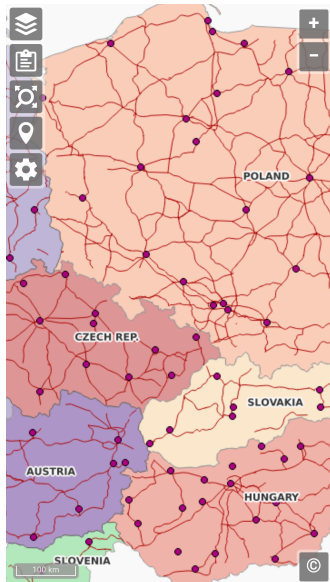
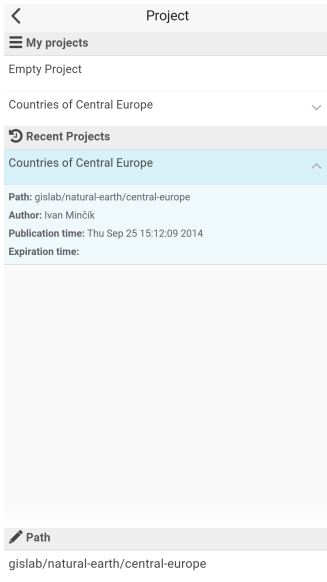
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Places	Name	District	Country	Time zone
	Banská Bystrica	Banskobystrická	Slovakia	Europe/Bratislava
	Trnava	Trnavská	Slovakia	Europe/Bratislava
	Zvolen	Banskobystrická	Slovakia	Europe/Bratislava
	Zlín	Silická	Slovakia	Europe/Bratislava
	Košice	Košická	Slovakia	Europe/Bratislava

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Print/Link

Mobile Interface



Cluster

Automatic Cluster Orchestration



- ▶ **server** and **client machines**
- ▶ **decentralized** cluster **membership** and **failure detection** system based on GOSSIP protocol

Basic Information About Machines

```
$ gislab-cluster members # format text or json

server.gis.lab  192.168.15.5:7946
                 alive    role=server

c50              192.168.15.50:7946
                 alive
                 role=client,worker=yes,session-active=user1

c51              192.168.15.51:7946
                 left
                 role=client,worker=yes
```

Events and Queries

Syntax

```
$ gislab-cluster event <EVENT-NAME>  
$ gislab-cluster query <QUERY-NAME>
```

Reboot event

```
$ gislab-cluster event reboot
```

Parallel Commands Execution

Detection of running (alive) client machines

```
$ MACHINES="$(gislabs-cluster members  
-status=alive  
-tag role=client ...  
)"
```

Parallel installation of Gedit package

```
$ parallel-ssh -H "$MACHINES"  
  
sudo DEBIAN_FRONTEND=noninteractive  
apt-get install -y --no-install-recommends gedit  
  
...  
[1] 23:02:57 [SUCCESS] c51  
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...
```

Stronger With Each Client Machine

OWS load balancing

```
$ while true; do  
    curl "http://ms.gis.lab:90/cgi-bin/qgis_mapserv?  
        SERVICE=WMS&REQUEST=GetCapabilities"  
done
```

ms.gis.lab													
	Queue			Session rate			Sessions					Bytes	
	Cur	Max	Limit	Cur	Max	Limit	Cur	Max	Limit	Total	LbTot	In	Out
Frontend				0	61	-	0	1	1 000	2 313		506 547	9 434 727
server	0	0	25	0	13		0	1	25	463	463	101 397	1 888 577
192.168.19.50	0	0	25	0	12		0	1	100	463	463	101 397	1 888 577
192.168.19.51	0	0	25	0	12		0	1	100	463	463	101 397	1 888 577
192.168.19.52	0	0	25	0	12		0	1	100	462	462	101 178	1 884 498
192.168.19.53	0	0	25	0	12		0	1	100	462	462	101 178	1 884 498
Backend	0	0		0	61		0	1	150	2 313	2 313	506 547	9 434 727

Other

Integration Test Suite

```
$ vagrant provision --provision-with test
...
TASK: [basic-server-configuration-test | Test if ordinary
      test user account exists in PostgreSQL]
...
TASK: [service-dns-test | Test 'gis.lab' DNS records are
      resolved]
...
TASK: [service-mapserver-test | Test WMS GetCapabilities
      request with example GIS.lab project]
...
TASK: [service-mapserver-test | Test WMS GetMap request
      with example GIS.lab project]
...
```

Where to Use ?

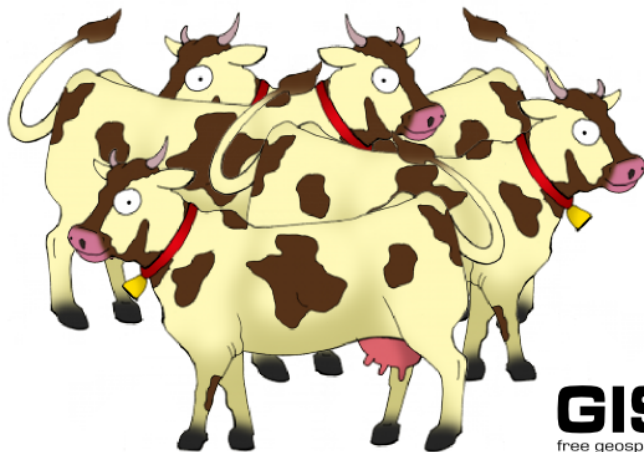
- ▶ **schools**: central management, maintenance-free clients
- ▶ **small projects**: affordable, complete solution
- ▶ **poor countries**: low system requirements, maintenance-free clients
- ▶ **crisis management**: portable, instant deployment, no dependencies

Future Plans

- ▶ **web administration** interface
- ▶ integration of **WPS** services
- ▶ better **GRASS** integration
- ▶ **web client** rewrite with **OL 3**
- ▶ update to **Ubuntu 16.04** and **systemd**

Summary

Spreading Free Software To the World



GIS.lab
free geospatial infrastructure

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[wiki:Quick-Start](#)
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