Basics of Software Development

Visualising Tweets in Google Earth

Dynamic Digital Mapping





End-of-term Assignment



- Create an executable Java class called "GoogleEarthTweetMapper", which integrates data from the following sources and displays them in Google Earth:
 - OGC WMS
 - Tweets text file



- WMS Connection: http://129.206.228.72/cached/osm
 - → Layer: "osm_auto:all"
 - Hint: to set up the WMS request, append the HTTP GET parameters to the URL above (...WMSServer?request=...)
 - WGS84 BBOX: -71.13,42.32,-71.03,42.42
 - Request the image in PNG format with transparent background
 - → Takes a while to load! (try it in your web browser first)



• Integration of the WMS Image into Google Earth:

- Create a Java programme that stores the WMS image as a file on your PC and integrate the local file into your KML structure (even though this is not the most efficient way to do this, it is a good programming exercise)
- For integrating the WMS image into the KML structure, use a GroundOverlay element
 - 30% opacity (70% transparency)
 http://www.binaryhexconverter.com/hex-to-decimal-converter



- Alternative WMSs
 (in case the other one doesn't work properly)
 - http://giswebservices.massgis.state.ma
 _us/geoserver/wms → Layer:
 "GISDATA.PARCEL_STATUS"
 - http://giswebservices.massgis.state.ma
 _us/geoserver/wms → Layer:
 "GISDATA.CENSUS2000TRACTS_POLY"



- Tweets text file:
 - http://www.berndresch.com/work/twitter.csv
 - "Ing" and "lat" columns are the coordinates
 - CRS: WGS84 → no reprojection necessary
 - Visualise the columns "tweet" and "created_at" (e.g, in the <description> tag)
 - Hint: Parse the text file line by line, extract the values and then insert them into the KML structure.



Hints:

- Use the jar files (and code) used in previous lab exercises
- Make extensive use of object-oriented programming paradigms
 one Java class for each component (modularity!)
- For integrating the WMS image into the KML structure, use a GroundOverlay element
- Extracting the values from the Twitter CSV file will require String handling operations https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/data/manipstrings.html



ADDENDUM (not mandatory):

- Visualise the tweets as a time series in Google Earth
 - Enable time series visualisation in Google Earth <u>https://developers.google.com/kml/documentation/kmlreference#timestamp</u>
 - Display one of the attributes (e.g., time, user_id) visually, e.g. through
 - Extruding an attribute value <u>https://developers.google.com/kml/documentation/kmlreference#polygon</u>
 - Colouring the extruded polygons according to their value <u>https://developers.google.com/kml/documentation/kmlreference#style <u>http://colorbrewer2.org</u>
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 - ...



End-of-term Assignment ::: Grading

Grading criteria

- Degree of modularity, structure of the application
- Clarity, comprehensiveness, rationale and completeness of the documentation
 - Report (in English language)
 - Inline documentation

End-of-term Assignment ::: Formalities

- Write a short documentation
 - 4-5 pages incl. figures + references
 - Contents
 - Design decisions
 - Implementation details
- Put all the Java files in a package named "eot_<name1>_<name2>_<name3>"



End-of-term Assignment ::: Organisational

- Deadline: 22 February 2019
- Groups of 3 students
- Submission via email (<u>bernd.resch@sbg.ac.at</u>):
 → email subject "SWE End-of-term Assignment"
 - Code (.java files) → no .jar files!
 - Documentation



End-of-term Assignment ::: Organisational

- Final claim:
 - Please don't cheat!



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