

Splitting Geometry Algorithm

A **Polygon** is a two-dimensional geometric figure that has a finite number of sides. (Eg. Figure-A)

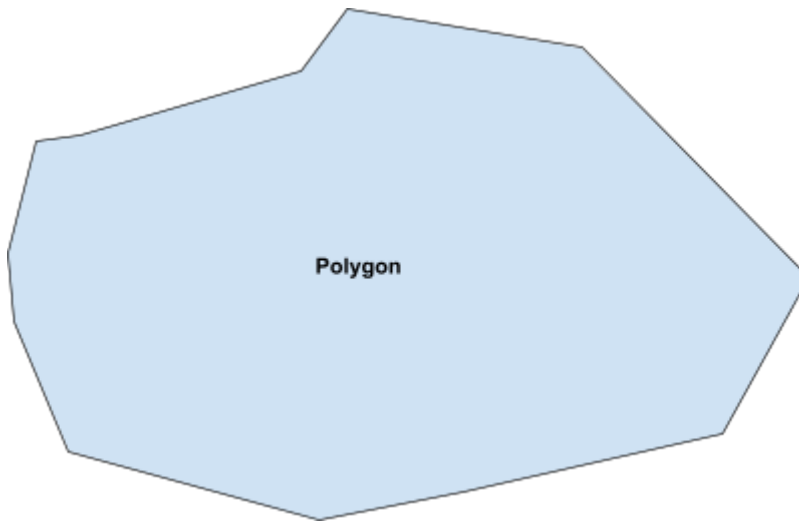


Figure- (A)

Each **Geometry** can be contained in an **Envelope** (acting as a bounding box that contains all the geometry coordinates). (Eg. Figure-B)

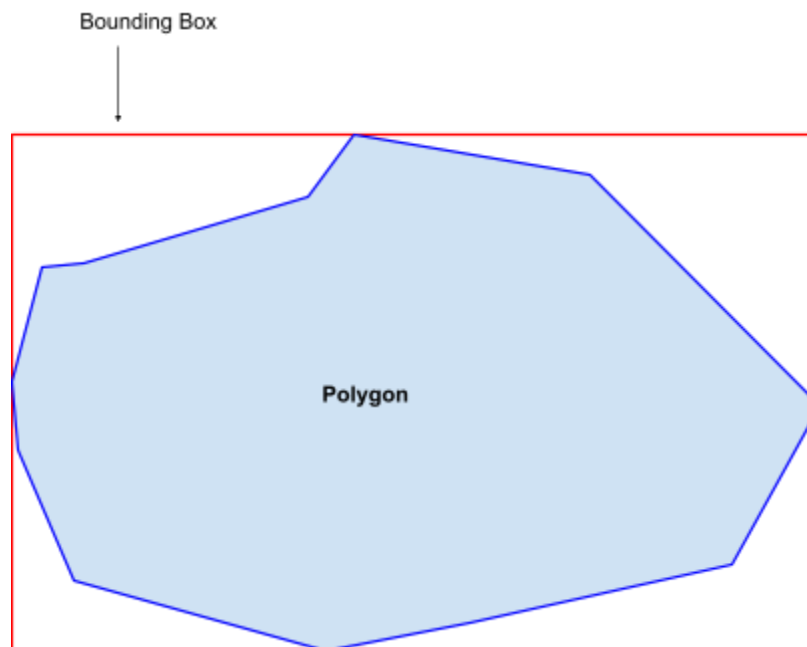


Figure- (B)

Envelope is defines a rectangular region of the 2D coordinate plane. It is often used to represent the bounding box of a Geometry, e.g. the minimum and maximum x and y values of the **Coordinates**. (Eg. Figure- C)

Coordinates : (xmin, ymin) and (xmax, ymax)

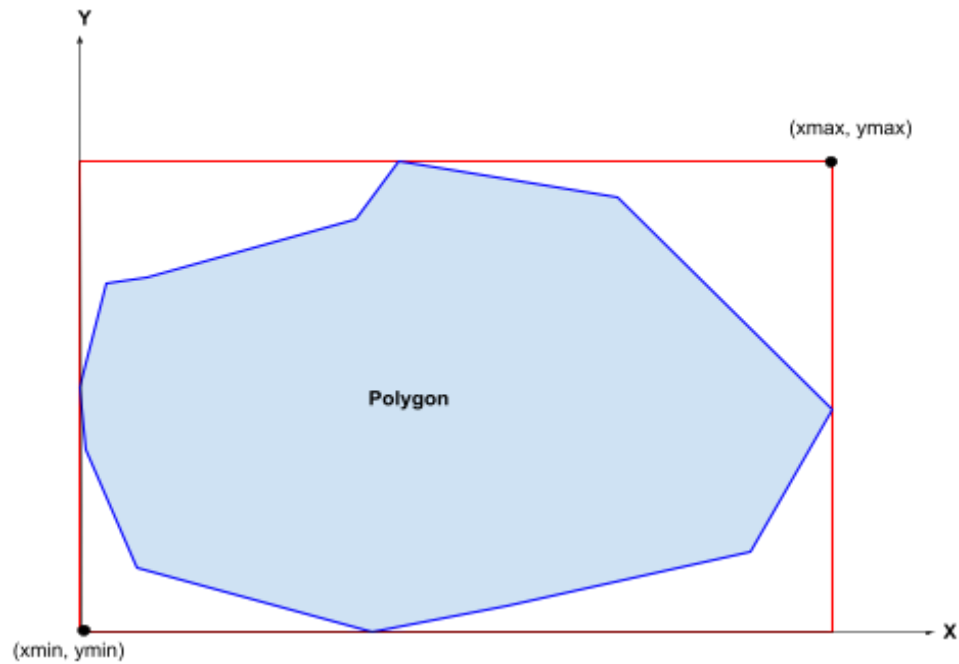


Figure (C)

BoundingBox is an extension of **Envelope** for working with 2D data (defining X and Y coordinate) and also, it's a 2-D plane, so I had created a grid on this plane.

The grid can be split equally on the X-axis and Y-axis or split unequally on both the axes.
(Eg. Figure-D)

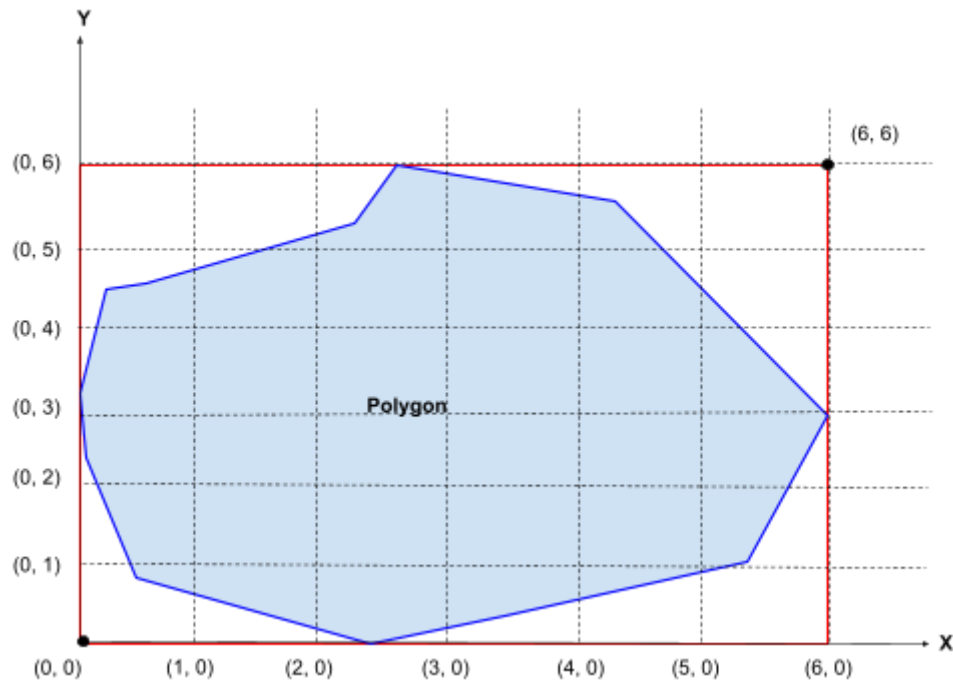


Figure (D)

Let's assume,

We have equally split the bounding box on both the axis and selected the first split grid.
(see, **shaded** grid on figure-E)

Coordinates for first grid are:

$(x_{\min}, y_{\min}) = (0, 0)$

$(x_{\max}, y_{\max}) = (1, 1)$

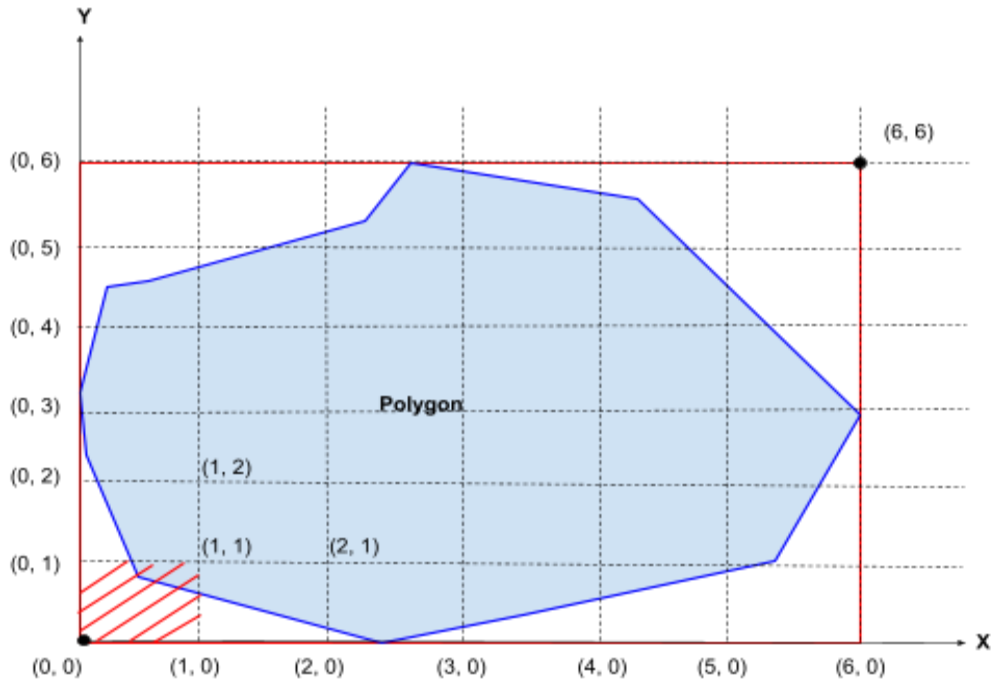


Figure (E)

The first grid is an **Envelope** in the plane and we have converted this **Envelope** into a new **Geometry**.

Envelope declaration is

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Envelope env = new Envelope(x1, x2, y1, y2);
```

Using the above envelope geometry, we intersect the original geometry, which means Polygon (Figure-A) and we will get the ***split*** geometry.

Therefore,

```
GeometryFactory gf = new GeometryFactory();
Envelope env = new Envelope(0, 1, 0, 1);
Geometry splitGeom = gf.toGeometry(env).intersection(geom);
```

Where,

geom is an object of original Polygon.

Result of split geometry can be as below image (figure-F)

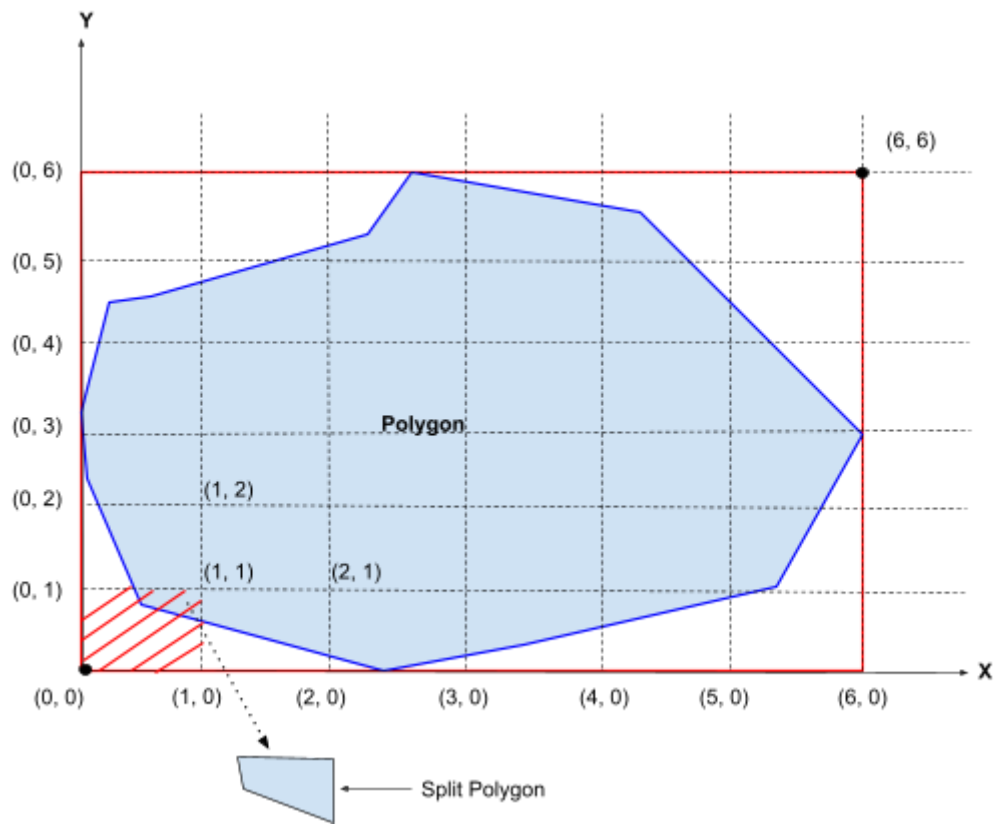


Figure (F)

Coordinates for second grid are:

$$(x_{\min}, y_{\min}) = (1, 0)$$

$$(x_{\max}, y_{\max}) = (2, 1)$$

The split geometry for second grid can be as below image (figure-G)

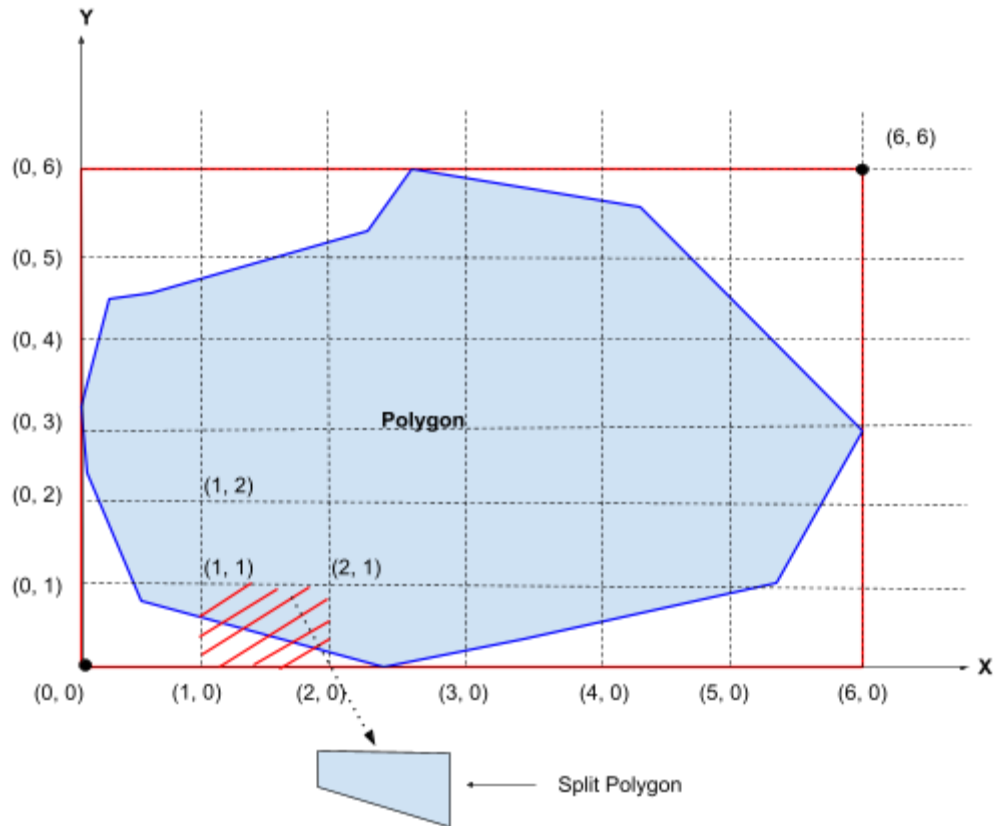


Figure (G)

Code

```
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.List;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.Envelope;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.Geometry;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.GeometryCollection;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.GeometryFactory;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.LineString;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.MultiPolygon;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.Point;
import com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.Polygon;

public class SplitGeometryAlgorithm {
    private static GeometryFactory geomFactory = new GeometryFactory();

    public static List<Geometry> splitOriginalGeometry(Geometry geom, int grid){
        return splitOriginalGeometry(geom, grid, grid);
    }
}
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public static List<Geometry> splitOriginalGeometry(Geometry geom, int gridX,
int gridY){

    final Envelope envelope = geom.getEnvelopeInternal();
    double minX = envelope.getMinX();
    double maxX = envelope.getMaxX();
    double minY = envelope.getMinY();
    double maxY = envelope.getMaxY();

    double grid_x = ((maxX - minX) / gridX);
    double grid_y = ((maxY - minY) / gridY);

    List<Geometry> list = new ArrayList<>();

    boolean otherGeomFlag = false;

    for(int i = 0; i < gridX; i++){
        for(int j = 0; j < gridY; j++){

            double _xmin = minX + (i * grid_x);
            double _ymin = minY + (j * grid_y);

            double _xmax = _xmin + grid_x;
            double _ymax = _ymin + grid_y;

            Envelope env = new Envelope(_xmin, _xmax, _ymin, _ymax);

            Geometry splitGeom = null;
            try{
                splitGeom =
geomFactory.toGeometry(env).intersection(geom);
            }catch(com.vividsolutions.jts.geom.TopologyException ex){
                U.log(ex);
                otherGeomFlag = true;
                break;
            }

            if(!splitGeom.isEmpty()){

                if(splitGeom instanceof Polygon){
                    splitGeom = convertPolygonToMultiPolygon(splitGeom);
                }
                if(splitGeom instanceof MultiPolygon)
                    list.add(splitGeom);

                else if(splitGeom instanceof GeometryCollection){
                    Geometry collectionGeom =
convertGeometryCollectionToMultiPolygon(splitGeom);

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        if(collectionGeom != null)
            list.add(collectionGeom);
        else{
            otherGeomFlag = true;
            break;
        }
    }
    else{
        otherGeomFlag = true;
        break;
    }
}
} //eof for inner

if(otherGeomFlag) break;
} //eof for outer

if(otherGeomFlag) list.clear();
return list;
}

private static Geometry convertGeometryCollectionToMultiPolygon(Geometry
input){
    List<Geometry> list = new ArrayList<>();

    int countLine = 0;
    int countPoint = 0;
    for(int i = 0; i< input.getNumGeometries(); i++){
        if(input.getGeometryN(i) instanceof Polygon ||
input.getGeometryN(i) instanceof MultiPolygon)
            list.add(input.getGeometryN(i));

        else if(input.getGeometryN(i) instanceof LineString){
            countLine++;
        }
        else if(input.getGeometryN(i) instanceof Point){
            countPoint++;
        }
    }
    /*
    * If more than one LineString or Point contains in
GeometryCollection, then we don't have confidence whether we will get the
proper polygon or not.
    */
    if(countLine > 1 || countPoint > 1){
        return null;
    }

    MultiPolygon result = null;
    if(list.size() > 1){

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        result = (MultiPolygon) geomFactory.buildGeometry(list);
        result = (MultiPolygon) result.union();

        return result;
    }
    else if(list.size() == 1){
        return convertPolygonToMultiPolygon(list.get(0));
    }
    return null;
}

private static Geometry convertPolygonToMultiPolygon(Geometry input){
    Polygon[] polys = new Polygon[1];
    polys[0] = (Polygon) input;
    return geomFactory.createMultiPolygon(polys);
}
}

```

Algorithm Outputs

Polygon without hole

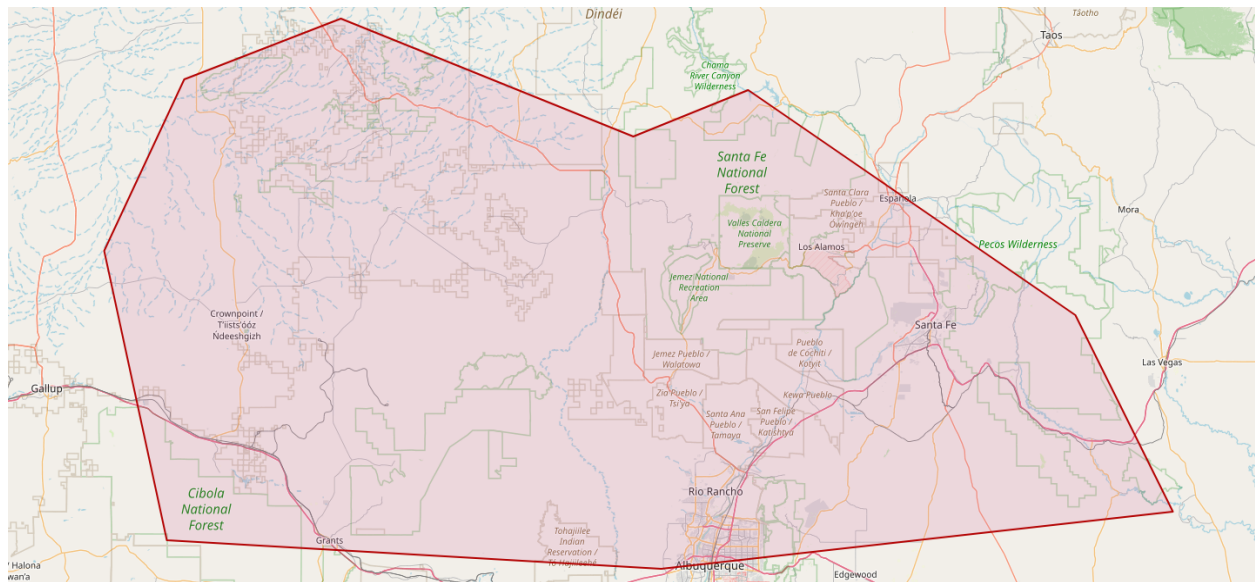


Fig. Original geometry

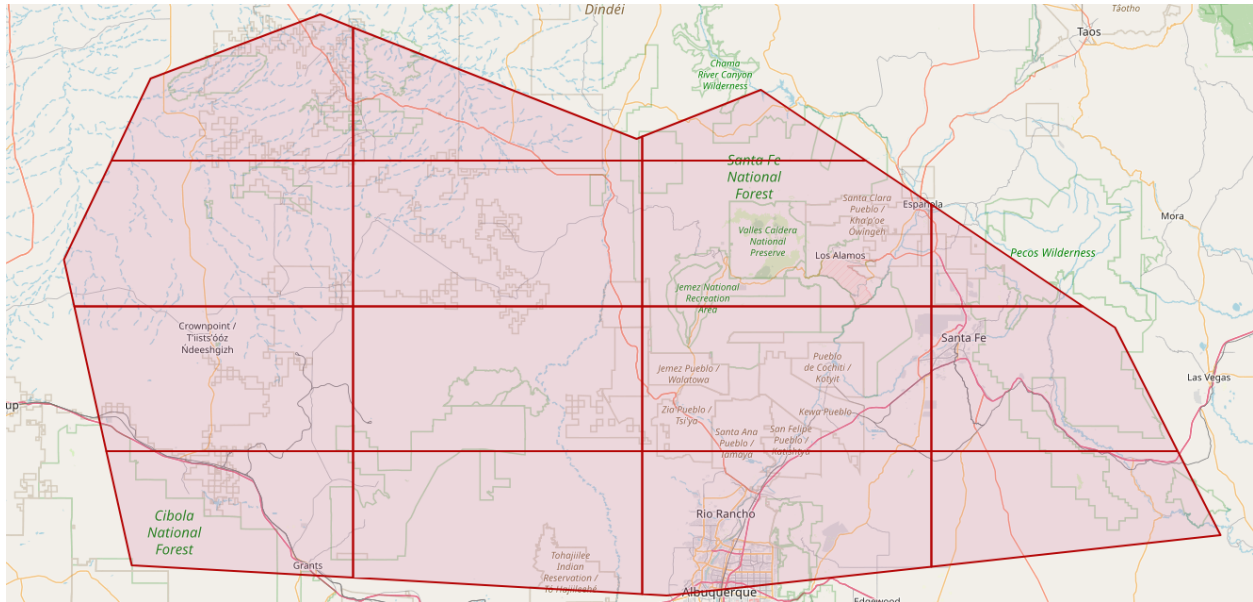


Fig. Splitted geometries

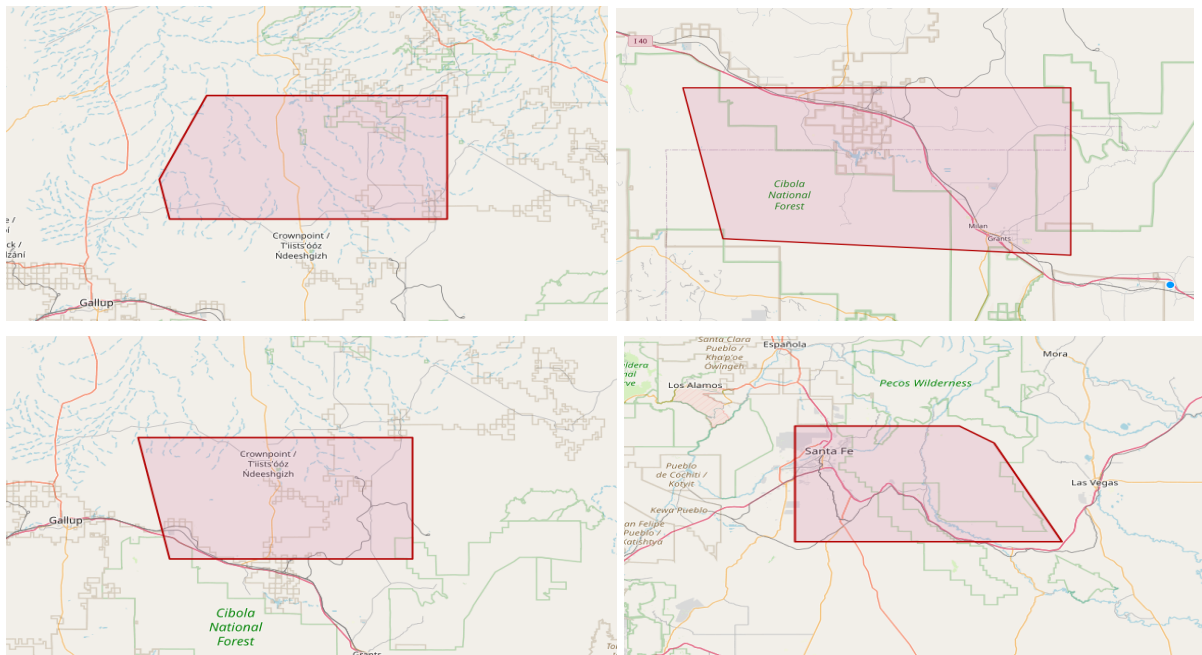


Fig. Examples of each split geometry

Polygon with holes

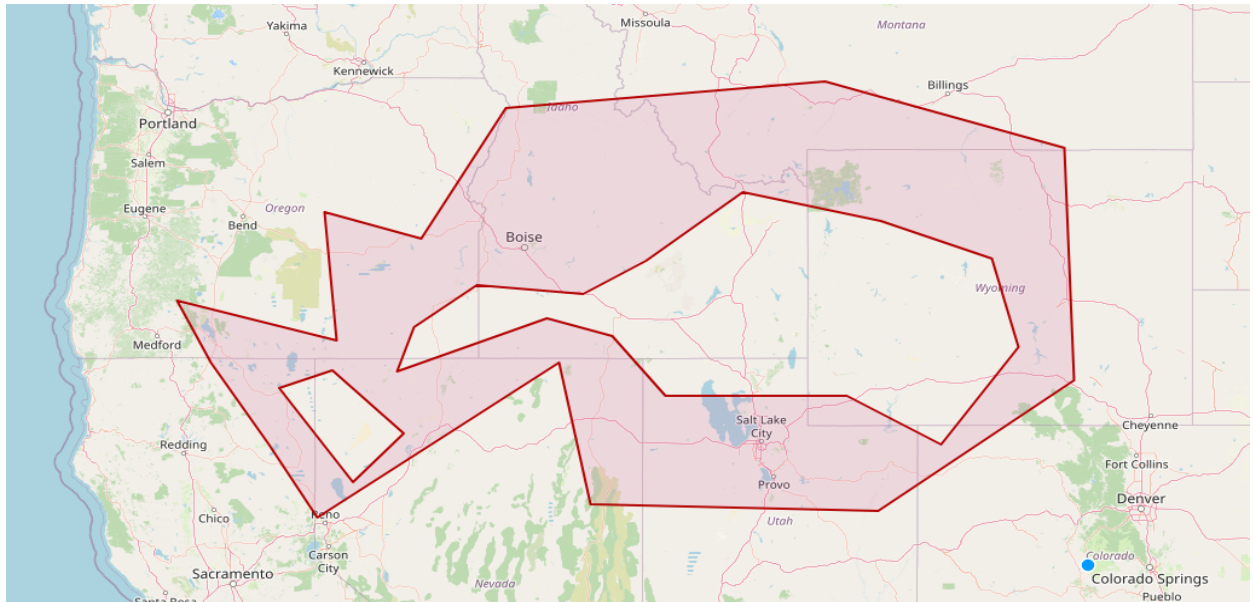


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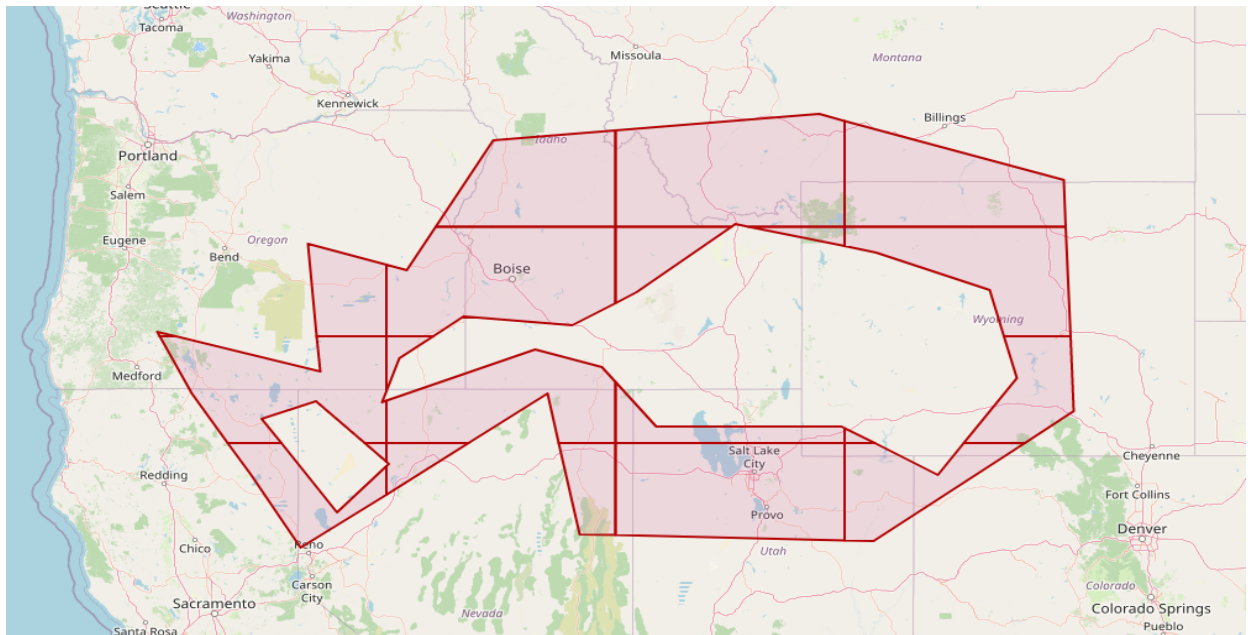


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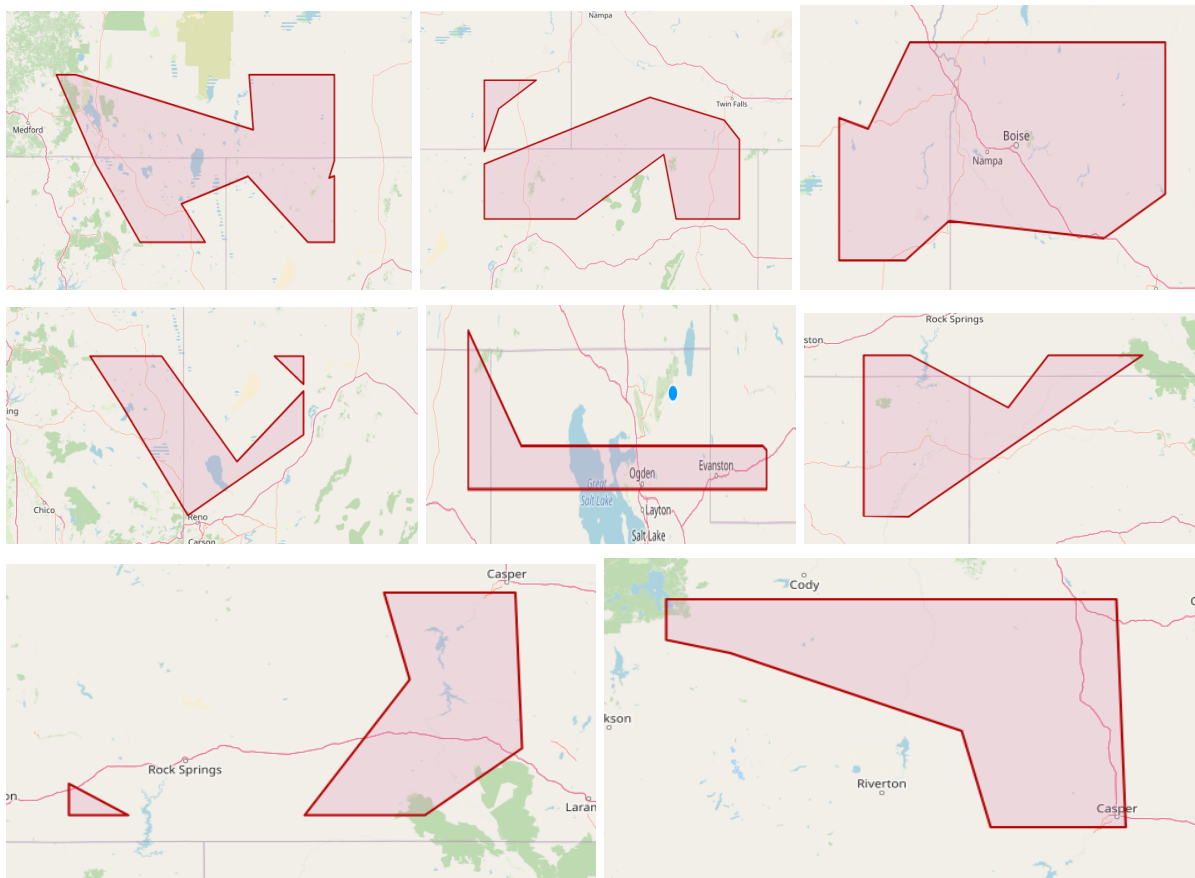


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