advanced qgis

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geocoding: address→(lat,lon)

- say that we have some addresses and we want to geocode them
- `https://sites.google.com/site/adamokuliczkozaryn/gis_int/apartments-for-rent.xls`
- open, looks reasonably clean, save as csv

MMQGIS-Geocode

- MMQGIS-Geocode-Geocode CSV with Web Service
- Input CSV, and make sure Address Field, City Field, State Field are right; best if you give more info
- Web Service: OpenStreetMap/Nominatim
- make sure notfound.csv (and output shp) saved where you can write!

- ref: https://mangomap.com/blog/how-to-make-a-web-map-from-a-list-of-addresses-in-a-spreadsheet/
- >qgis3.5, seems can have everything just under address!
- btw, if already got X/Y lat/lon:
  just add your csv with "Add Delimited Text Layer" tool
  make sure geometry definition tab (X,Y) fits your data
- hit "Apply", note how many found, hit "Close"

important to check!

- add basemap to check location
  - does it make sense? houses in river or park?
  - zoom-in to street, click some points with "identify tool": pop-up address–does it match with the street?
  - usually some miscodings, say few percent
  - usually because the address is misspelled or incomplete
- do see notfound.csv: mostly those with a range of street numbers
- need to fix them/adjust them:
  - google addr, adjust accordingly to get it clean, and manually change in csv

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SQL: Structured Query Language

- full blown (not in qgis) SQL has only additional things
  - very much English-like, just with some strict syntax rules
- also a job market skill: put 'basic SQL' on your linkedIN next to 'gis' skill
  - very easy to master in no time
- `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jJeae7PJVv4`

advanced filter (expression): SQL

- nj_counties-Open Attribute Table
- bottom left box-"Advanced Filter (Expression)"
  - Fields and Values "REGION"
  - and on the right Load values: "all unique"
  - then we can type; or faster double click:
- "REGION" = 'CENTRAL' and hit OK
  - now easy to modify at the bottom of table, say:
- "REGION" = 'CENTRAL' OR "REGION" = 'SOUTHERN'
- "REGION" = 'CENTRAL' AND "POP2010" > 598349

regular expressions

- can also match part of a string:
  - (may need to type in as opposed to cp, pciky about quote format)
  - (also note if err, it says so at the bottom in red)
- regexp_match("COUNTY",'C.*N')
- regexp_match("COUNTY",'^C.*N') must start with 'C'
- regexp_match("COUNTY",'^C.*N$') and end with 'N'
- then can hit ctrl-a to select all data
  - right click layer, Export-Save Selected Features As

saving selection often necessary

- keep in mind simplicity principle!
  - drop all unnecessary clutter
  - do not map things that you don't care about
- and often good to have several subsets of same layer
  - say can label only one subset
  - use different symbology by subset etc

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this is a whole bag of tools

- we switch gears a little and discuss
  - more advanced topics beyond mapping
  - more like typical GIS/IT stuff
- we will just cover few tools
- there are dozens of them
- you may present some of not covered for extra credit
  - esp 'Vector', and also 'Plugins'
  - if you'd like to present, lets talk outside of the class

dissolve

- nj_counties
  https://docs.google.com/uc?id=1xJDhcRCkgv7k4tNCa72Oog5bohV6dTB2&export=download
- dissolve into a larger area
  - (get rid of inside boundaries)
- Vector-Geopocessing Tools-Dissolve
  - nj_counties
- "dissolve field:" REGION

dissolve your way

- can dissolve into your own categories/definitions
- let's take nj_counties and dissolve into south and north jersey
- Open attribute table-toggle editing-New column-integer: 'southNorth'
  - sort on REGION and mark southern regions with 1, and the rest with 0
  - may also highlight the row to see which county is where
- Vector-Geopocessing tools-Dissolve
- "Dissolve field:" southNorth
- often you will have to do something like this
- no way to find a shapefile for South Jersey online!

simplify

- remember from principles: simplify as much as possible
- simplifying polygons means dropping vertexes, so that polygons are defined by fewer coordinates draw
- it reduces size of a file
- Vector-Geometry tools-Simplify
  - Input: 'nj_counties'
- play with "tolerance" to achieve desired simplicity: try 1000
  - and turn off/on to compare to orginal: see the difference?
  - can also simplify lines (fewer nodes)
- and i guess you can also simplify points (fewer dec points)
  - reference `http://gis.stackexchange.com/questions/25914/how-to-smooth-generalize-a-polygon-in-qgis`

centroids

- calculate a center of a polygon or turn polygon into a point
  - useful when merging non-overlapping polygons–say congressional districts and counties
  - then you can calculate centroid of one of those and merge with polygons of the other layer if a centroid is in that polygon using spatial join
- draw a picture
- Vector-Geometry tools-Polygon centroids
  - Input: nj counties

centroids

- note: the new shapefile will have the same data
- can now map another var and overlay on another var
  - both points and polygons with some symbology
- let's map population for polygons
  - and population density for points
  - note: make points bigger to see symbology well
- this solves the problem of showing 2 vars in one map

buffering

- kind of opposite of centroids:
- buffer (circle) around a point or poly or line; eg:
  - 'dry zone' around schools
  - waste processing plants and houses
  - 2-mile heavy pollution around hwy
  - walkability to healthy stores, etc
- load nj universities
  - https://sites.google.com/site/adamokuliczkozaryn/gis_int/hsip_colleges.zip
- Vector-Geoprocessing Tools-Buffer
- use 20,000 feet
- note: buffer is a new layer and then can spatially join it with another layer

measure line tool

- same toolbar at the top right as Identify tool
- note different measuring units
- measure distances–how far from a point to point
- measure radius to make sure it is right
- and measure say joging route in segments from RU to 8th and market
- note we will do the same in google maps

example: environmental problems around univ

- download and add to qgis
  - `https://docs.google.com/uc?id=1T_n1y_Mj5yQiWpZwrbuuFFwmIVJ2QWFZ&export=download`
- make smaller, say size of .4 so can better see

MMQGIS-Combine-Spatial Join

- Output: Buffer
- Spatial Operation: Contains
- Data (Join) Layer: NJ contaminated sites
- Fields: NAME (so that in new layer we have name of univ)
- Attribute Operation: Sum

investigate

- open attr table of merged shapefile
- click 2x last column 'COUNT' to sort descending
- under 'NAME' we find that 'NEW JERSEY MEDICAL SCHOOL'
  - has biggest problem! over thousand contaminated sites
- from the table can select schools with greatest problems
  - and take some measures to help with the situation

related: select by location (say id problematic ones)

- say select polluted sites within 1000 ft from a school
- Vector-Geoprocessing Tools-Buffer
- Vector-Research Tools-Select by location
- Select features from: NJ Contaminated Sites
- Gemetric predicate: are within
- By comparing to the features from: Buffer
- and then: NJ contaminated sites-Export-Save selected features as
  - and save as csv
  - got 80 places we can call and ask to clean up