

An aerial view of a city, likely New York City, with a dense cluster of 3D white building models in the center. The background is a dark, grayscale aerial photograph of the city's street grid and surrounding areas. The text 'Mapzen' is overlaid in white on the lower right of the 3D model cluster.

# Mapzen

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MAPZEN

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an open-source mapping lab

*builds open-source mapping tools and  
collaborates on open geodata initiatives*



# Geocoding

30 W 26th St, NY

SEARCH



Address

30 W 26th St

City

New York

State

NY

Zip

10010

SEARCH



new yo

SEARCH

New York, NY

Pennsylvania Station New York, NY

New York University, New York, NY

New York Penn Station, New York, NY

⬆

your current location

SEARCH

30 West 26th Street, Manhattan, NY

Hill Country Barbecue Market, Manhattan, NY

Samsung Accelerator, Manhattan, NY

Hanjan, Manhattan, NY





# Data



## Open Data: WHY?

FREE

Accessible

Community maintained

## Open Data: WHERE?



# OpenAddresses

[openaddresses.io](https://openaddresses.io)

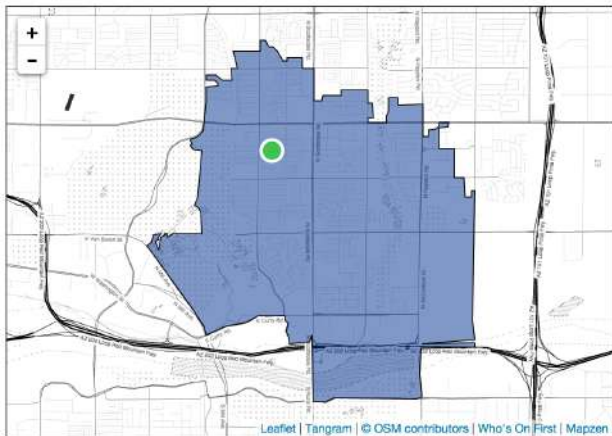
## Open Data: WHERE?



**OpenStreetMap**

[openstreetmap.org](https://openstreetmap.org)

## Open Data: WHERE?



# Who's On First

[whosonfirst.mapzen.com](http://whosonfirst.mapzen.com)





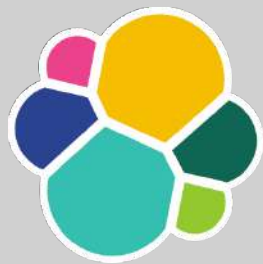
**Pelias**



# Pelias

- ☑ data agnostic
- ☑ self-hosted
- ☑ flexible and scalable

# Architecture

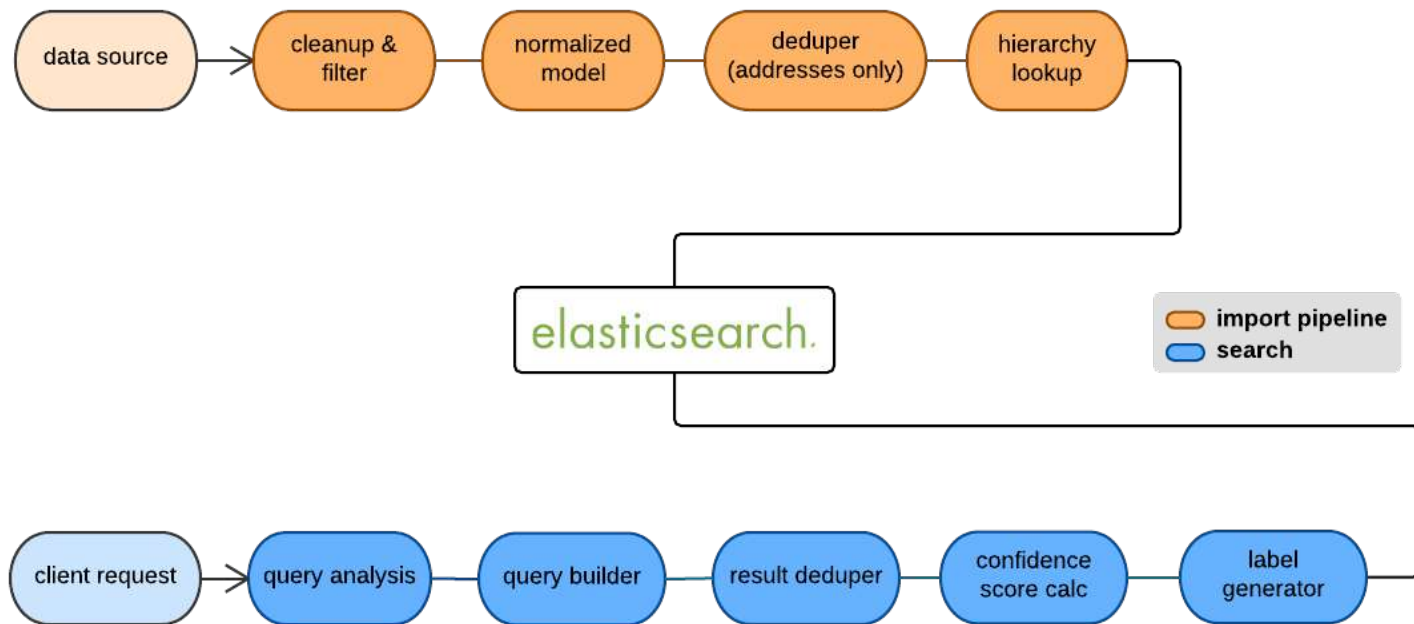


Elasticsearch



node.js

# Architecture

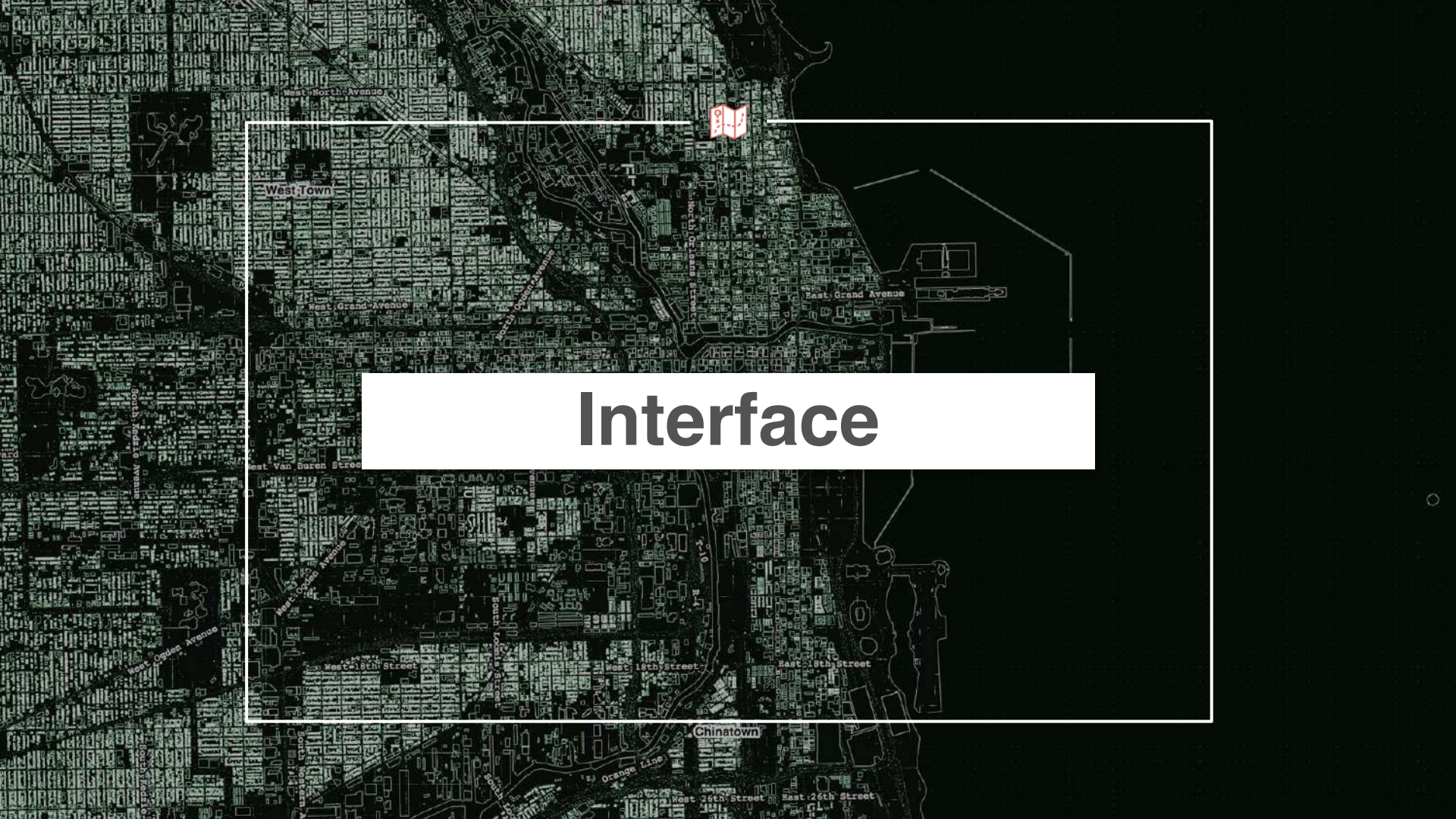


# Open Source Project

`pelias.io`

**[code]** `https://github.com/pelias/pelias`

**[chat]** `https://gitter.im/pelias/pelias`



# Interface



# Endpoints

## /autocomplete

typeahead suggestions  
best for incomplete input

# Endpoints

## **/search**

full text search queries

best for complete input

# Endpoints

## **/search/structured**

componentized text search queries

best for form-data input

# Endpoints

## **`/reverse`**

provide address or venue at a given location  
can also be used to determine admin hierarchy

## Endpoints

# /place

retrieve details of a place using an ID  
previously returned by a query



# Filters

**size**

number of results to return

# Filters

## **sources**

`openstreetmap, openaddresses, geonames, whosonfirst`

# Filters

## layers

address, venue,  
neighbourhood, borough, locality,  
localadmin, county, macrocounty,  
region, marcoregion, country  
coarse

# Filters

## **boundary.country**

limits results to those only in the specified country

# Filters

**boundary.circle / boundary.rect**

limits results to those only in the specified geometry



# Context

**focus.point**

geolocation for focusing results



# Mapzen Search

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- ☑ hosted instance of Pelias
- ☑ rate limited
- ☑ using open data
- ☑ global coverage

# Mapzen Search

- ☑ Leaflet plugin
- ☑ mobile SDK
- ☑ Batch processing script

# Mapzen Search

**[API]** `https://search.mapzen.com/v1`

**[docs]** `https://mapzen.com/documentation/search`

**[demo]** `https://mapzen.com/projects/search`

**[support]** `search@mapzen.com`





# Proposed Contributions

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- ☑ OpenAddresses data management tools



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- ☑ simplify self-hosted Pelias setup

## Proposed Contributions

- ☑ fill geocoding gaps in existing solution



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