



VISUALIZING GEOSPATIAL DATA IN PYTHON

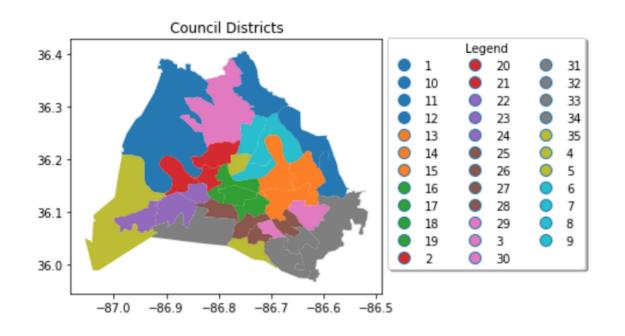
# **Spatial joins**

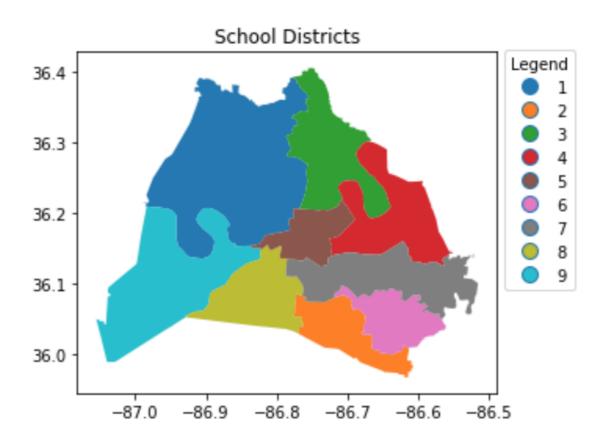
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#### Council districts and school districts





In this section, we will learn how to spatially join two data frames. In the left diagram, we have council districts, and in the right diagram we have school districts. In the next slide, we will see the use of geopandas' .sjoin() argument.



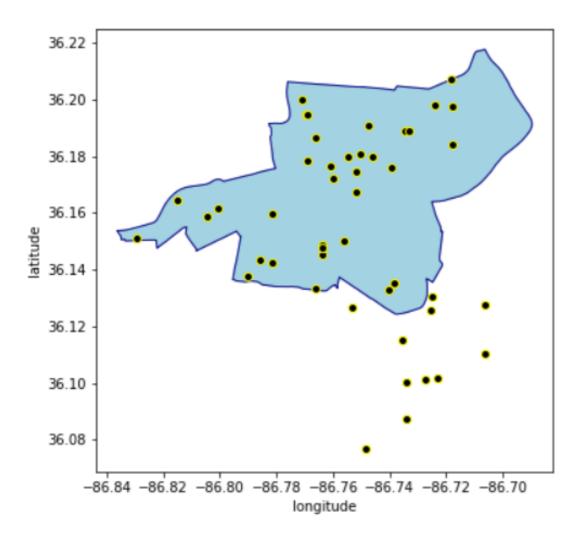
### The .sjoin() op argument

```
import geopandas as gpd
gpd.sjoin(blue_region_gdf, black_point_gdf, op = <operation>)
```

Above, the sjoin() method joins two dataframes called "blue\_region\_gdf" and "black\_point\_gdf". The "op" argument can be any of the following operation can be *intersects*, *contains*, or *within* 

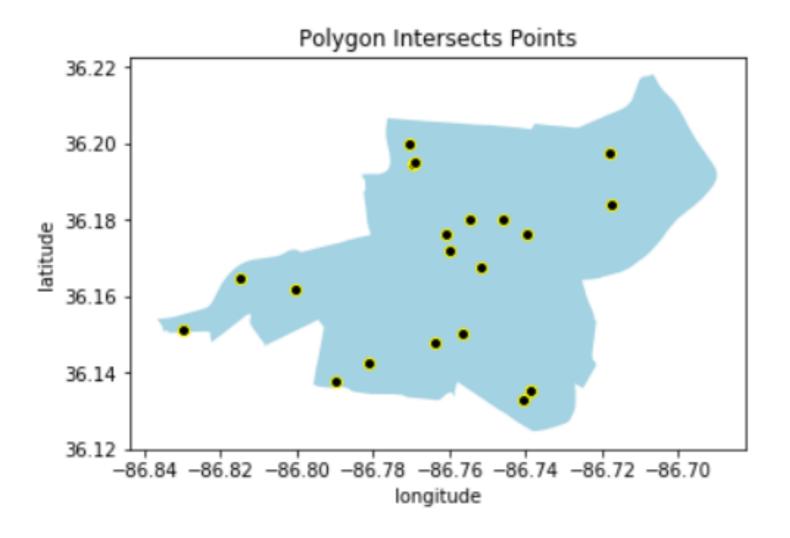
## Using .sjoin()

For instance, we have the following map containing a polygon and dots. We can see what happens when we use each of the three arguments separately.



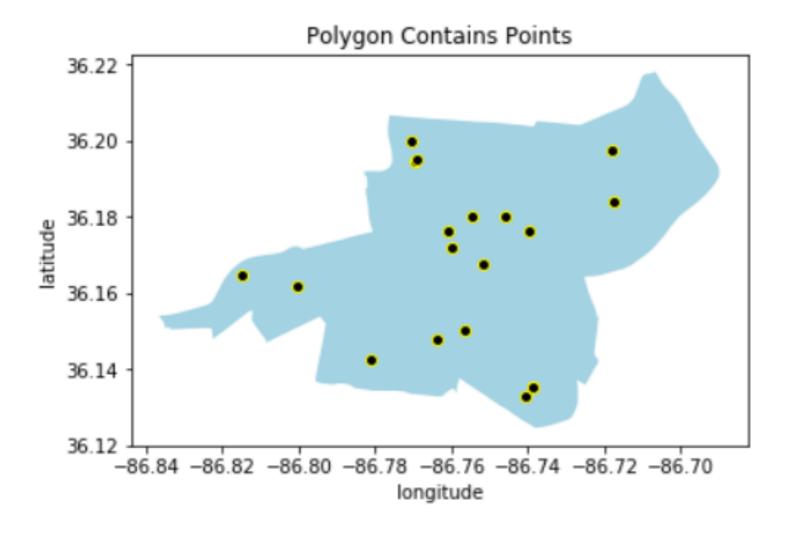
### op = 'intersects'

gpd.sjoin(blue\_region\_gdf, black\_point\_gdf, op = 'intersects')



### op = 'contains'

gpd.sjoin(blue\_region\_gdf, black\_point\_gdf, op = 'contains')

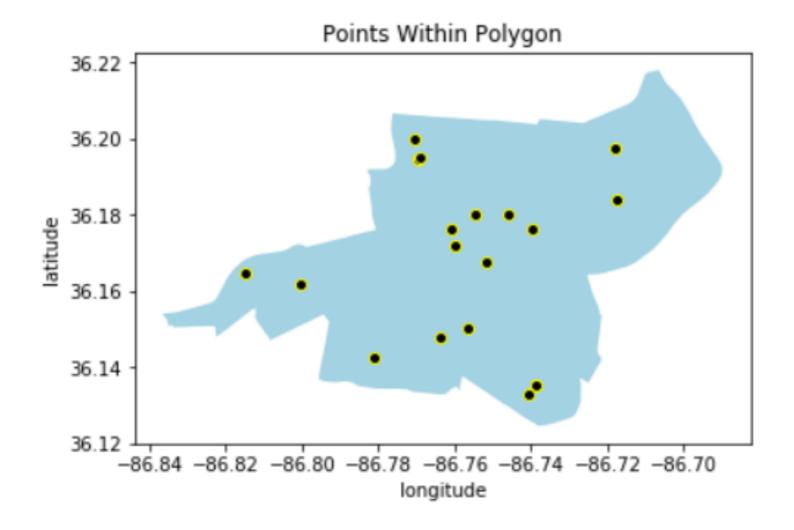




op = 'within'

The dataframes are switched when using "within" instead of "contains".

gpd.sjoin(black\_point\_gdf, blue\_region\_gdf, op = 'within')





### The sjoin.() op argument - within

Finding out the number of council districts within school districts.

```
# find council districts within school districts
within_gdf =gpd.sjoin(council_districts, school_districts, op='within')
print('council districts within school districts: ', within_gdf.shape[0])
```

```
council districts within school districts: 11
```



#### The sjoin.() op argument - contains

Finding out the number of council districts within school districts by using "contains" argument.

```
# find school districts that contain council districts
contains_gdf=pd.sjoin(school_districts, council_districts, op='contains')
print('school districts contain council districts: ', contains_gdf.shape[0])
```

school districts contain council districts: 11



#### The sjoin.() op argument - intersects

council districts intersect school districts: 100

```
# find council districts that intersect with school districts
intersect_gdf=gpd.sjoin(council_districts, school_districts, op='intersects')
print('council districts intersect school districts: ', intersect.shape[0])
```



#### Columns in a spatially joined GeoDataFrame

```
within_gdf=gpd.sjoin(council_districts, school_districts, op = 'within')
within_gdf.head()
```

```
first_name_left last_name_left district_left index_right

0 Nick Leonardo 1 0

1 DeCosta Hastings 2 0

2 Nancy VanReece 8 1

3 Bill Pridemore 9 1

9 Doug Pardue 10 1
```



### Aggregating spatially joined data