# **PostGIS**

# Spatial database extender for PostgreSQL



#### What is PostGIS

PostGIS is a spatial database extension for PostgreSQL object-relational database. PostGIS is released under the GPLv2+ license. It is written in C and relies on libraries GEOS and GDAL for many geometry and raster operations.

PostGIS implements the OGC Spatial Features for SQL (SFSQL) standard. It goes beyond the standard to support seamless raster/geometry queries, round earth model thru geography type, and 3D surface and volume support.

### Some things it can do

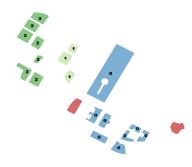
#### **Longest line**



**Clip rasters** 



#### Cluster number by distance



#### **Database Components**

PostGIS project includes several PostgreSQL extensions.

#### postgis

geometry and geography types and database functions to work with these types

postgis\_raster, postgis\_topology, postgis\_sfcgal, and postgis\_tiger\_geocoder, require this extension.

#### postgis\_raster

raster type and functions to work with raster

#### postgis\_topology

topogeometry type, functions and topologies (nodes, edges, faces) SQL-MM: Topo-Geo

#### postgis\_sfcgal

spatial processing functions for 3D surfaces and volume geometries

Geocoding for USA

#### postgis\_tiger\_geocoder

geocoding and reverse geocoding functions for USA using Census TIGER data.

#### address\_standardizer,

address\_standardizer\_data\_us

standardizing USA addresses into their house number, street, city, state, zip and other address elements.

#### **Tools**

PostGIS project includes tools for loading data

#### shp2pgsql, pgsql2shp, shp2pgsql-gui

data loaders and export tools for ESRI Shapefiles

#### raster2pgsql

load raster from various GDAL supported formats into postgis raster format.

#### pgtopo\_import / pgtopo\_export

Use to import and export postgis topologies

## Where to get it

In addition to source form, PostGIS is often distributed along with PostgreSQL via various package maintainers and database-as-a-service cloud hosters.

https://postgis.net/install https://postgis.net/source

