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# Getting practical with GeoSPARQL and Apache Jena

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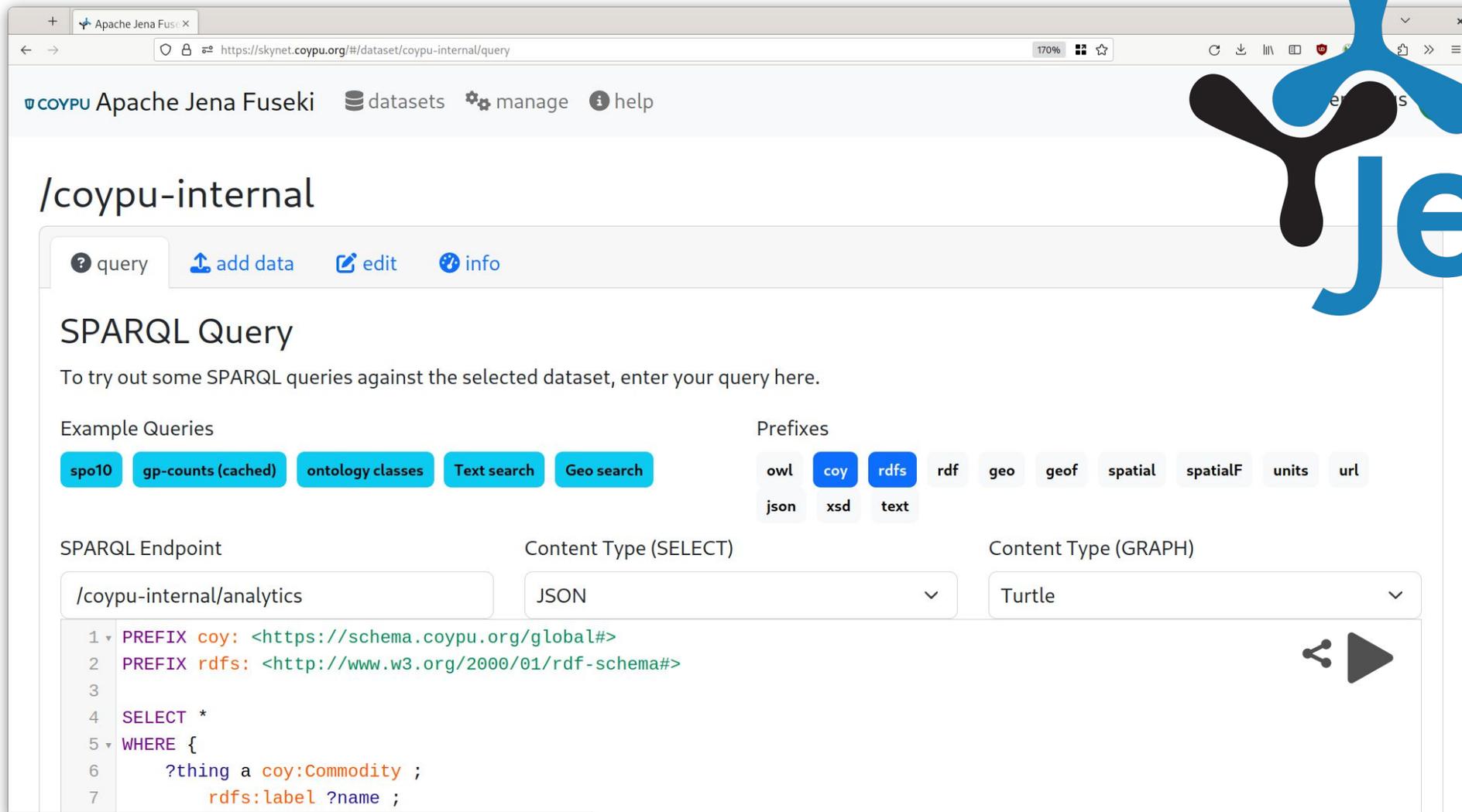
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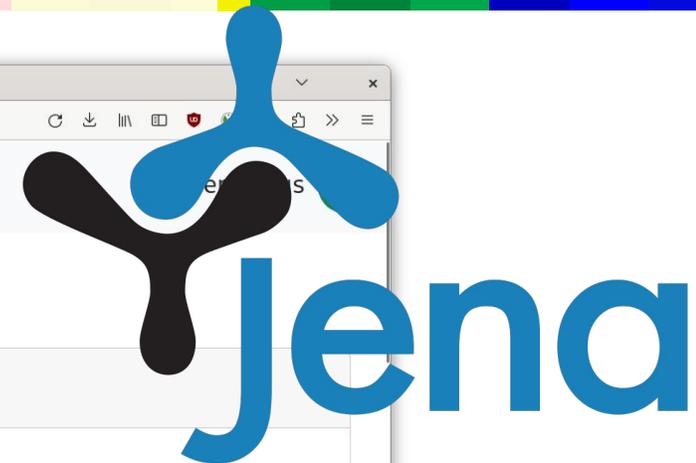


# Open source Semantic Web framework for Java



The screenshot shows the Apache Jena Fuseki web interface. The browser address bar displays `https://skynet.coypu.org/#/dataset/coypu-internal/query`. The page title is `COYPU Apache Jena Fuseki`. The main content area is titled `/coypu-internal` and includes a `query` tab, `add data`, `edit`, and `info` buttons. The `SPARQL Query` section contains the instruction: "To try out some SPARQL queries against the selected dataset, enter your query here." Below this, there are `Example Queries` (spo10, gp-counts (cached), ontology classes, Text search, Geo search) and `Prefixes` (owl, coy, rdfs, rdf, geo, geof, spatial, spatialF, units, url, json, xsd, text). The `SPARQL Endpoint` is `/coypu-internal/analytics`, `Content Type (SELECT)` is `JSON`, and `Content Type (GRAPH)` is `Turtle`. The query editor contains the following SPARQL query:

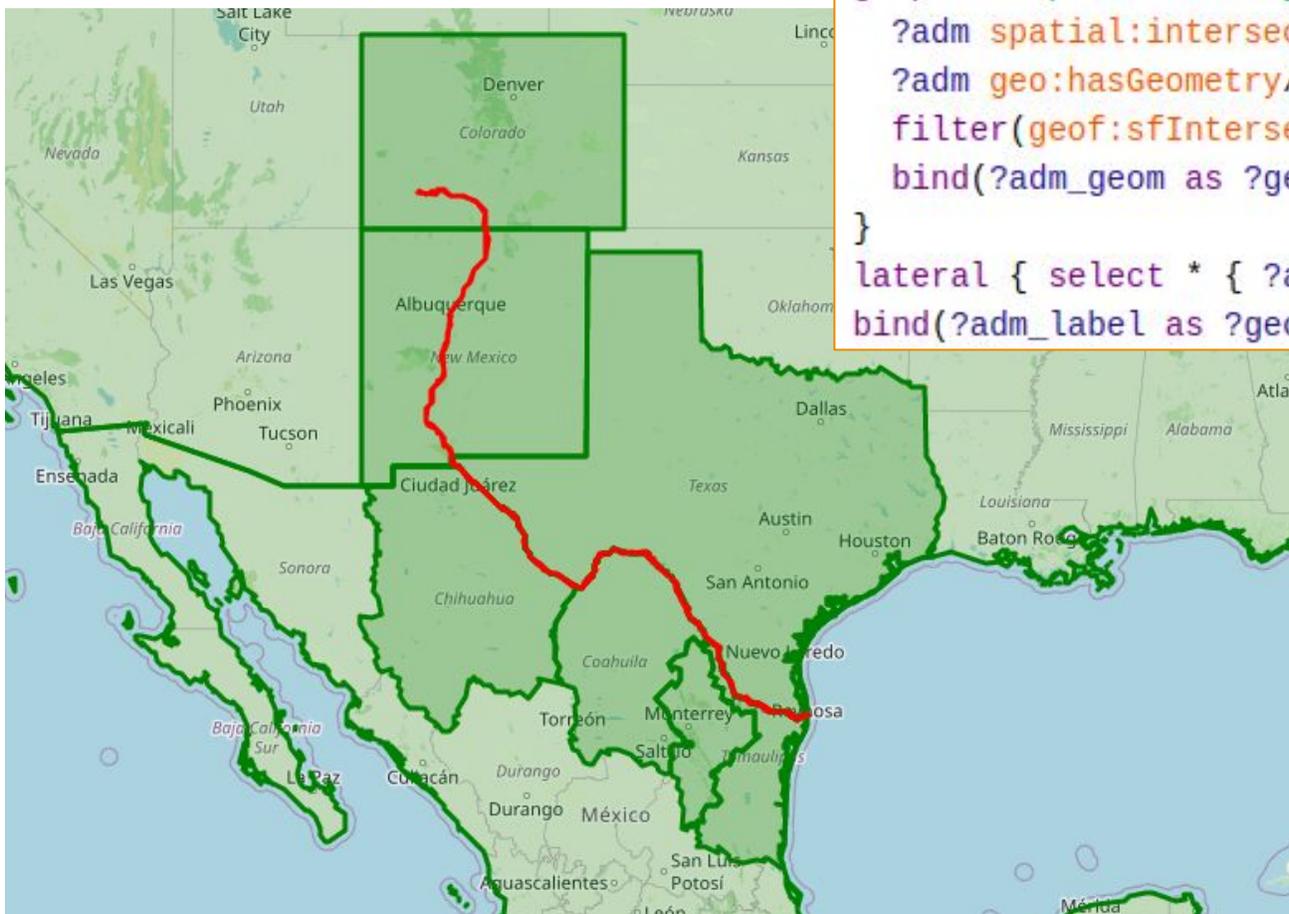
```
1 PREFIX coy: <https://schema.coypu.org/global#>
2 PREFIX rdfs: <http://www.w3.org/2000/01/rdf-schema#>
3
4 SELECT *
5 WHERE {
6   ?thing a coy:Commodity ;
7   rdfs:label ?name ;
```





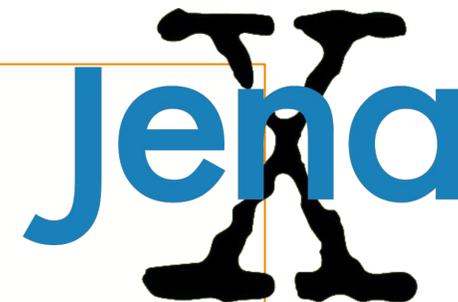
- 2011: Upcoming OGC standard **GeoSPARQL** attempts to unify data access for the geospatial Semantic Web (Semantic Web Journal)
- 2021: GeoSPARQL 1.1 presentation at GeoLD2021 (official publication: 2024)
- Ontology, data types, query functions

# Combining geodata in the graph



```
graph <https://data.coypu.org/administrative-regions/> {  
  ?adm spatial:intersectBoxGeom(?flood_geom) .  
  ?adm geo:hasGeometry/geo:asWKT ?adm_geom_lit_ .  
  filter(geof:sfIntersects(?flood_geom, ?adm_geom_lit_))  
  bind(?adm_geom as ?geom) bind("green" as ?geomColor)  
}  
lateral { select * { ?adm rdfs:label ?adm_label } limit 1 }  
bind(?adm_label as ?geomTooltip) bind(?adm as ?geomLabel)
```

# Mapping data using JSONL + GeoSPARQL



```
17 CONSTRUCT {
18   ?country
19   | geo:hasGeometry ?geometry_node .
20   ?geometry_node a geo:Geometry ;
21   | geo:asWKT ?geometry .
22 }
23 WHERE
24 {
25   {
26     SELECT
27     ?country
28     ?geometry_node
29     ?geometry
30     {
31       <env:INPUT> url:textLines ?text .
32       BIND(STRDT(?text, xsd:json) AS ?item)
33
34       BIND(json:path(?item, "$.properties") AS ?properties)
35
36       BIND(json:path(?properties, "$.ISO_CODE") AS ?iso3)
37       BIND(URI(concat("https://data.coypu.org/country/", ?iso3)) AS ?country)
38       BIND(URI(concat(str(?country), "/geometry/boundary")) AS ?geometry_node)
39
40       BIND(json:path(?item, "$.geometry") AS ?geometry_)
41       BIND(spatialF:transformDatatype(STRDT(str(?geometry_), geo:geoJSONLiteral), geo:wktLiteral) AS ?geometry)
42     }
43   }
44 }
```



# Overview

- Overview of new functions in GeoSPARQL 1.1, and current status in Apache Jena
- Extension modules for Jena ARQ (query engine)
- Extension module for Jena Fuseki (SPARQL server)
- Patches to Jena
- Plan to contribute parts of the extensions directly to Jena

# Functions implementation overview

## Functions

GeoSPARQL 1.1	J	JX
geof:metricDistance	1	
geof:metricBuffer		
geof:concaveHull		
geof:boundingCircle		
geof:centroid		✓
geof:dimension	✓	
geof:coordinateDimension	✓	
geof:spatialDimension	✓	
geof:geometryType		
geof:is3D		
geof:isEmpty	✓	
geof:isMeasured		
geof:isSimple	✓	

## Functions

GeoSPARQL 1.1	J	JX
geof:transform	2	
geof:asWKT geof:asGML	3	
geof:asGeoJSON	✓ ↑	
geof:asKML geof:asDGGs		
geof: <sup>(m)</sup> length		✓
geof: <sup>(m)</sup> perimeter		✓
geof: <sup>(m)</sup> area		✓
geof:geometryN		4
geof:numGeometries		4
geof:max{X,Y,Z}		
geof:min{X,Y,Z}		

Non-standard functions reference:

- 1 spatialF:distance\*
- 2 spatialF:transformSRS
- 3 spatialF:transformDatatype
- 4 spatial:st\_dump\*

# Functions implementation overview

## Aggregate functions

GeoSPARQL 1.1	J	JX
geof:aggBoundingBox		5
geof:aggBoundingCircle		
geof:aggCentroid		5
geof:aggConcaveHull		
geof:aggConvexHull		5
geof:aggUnion		✓

## Data types

GeoSPARQL 1.1	J	JX
geo:geoJSONLiteral		✓
geo:kmlLiteral		
geo:dggsLiteral		

Non-standard functions reference:  
5 geof:collect\*

# Additional non-standard functions

- create new objects: `spatialF:convertLatLon[J]`,  
`geof:makeLine[JX]`, `spatialF:convertLatLonBox[J]`
- simplify polygons: `geof:simplifyDp[JX]`, `geof:simplifyVw[JX]`
- create collection: `geof:collect[JX]`
- destructure collection / multipolygon: `spatial:st_dump[JX]`
- lat/lon accessors: `geof:lat[JX]`, `geof:lon[JX]`
- manual geo-index lookup: `spatial:intersectBoxGeom[J]`,  
`spatial:withinBoxGeom[J]`, `spatial:withinCircleGeom[J]`,  
`spatial:withinBoxMultipolygonGeom[JX]`

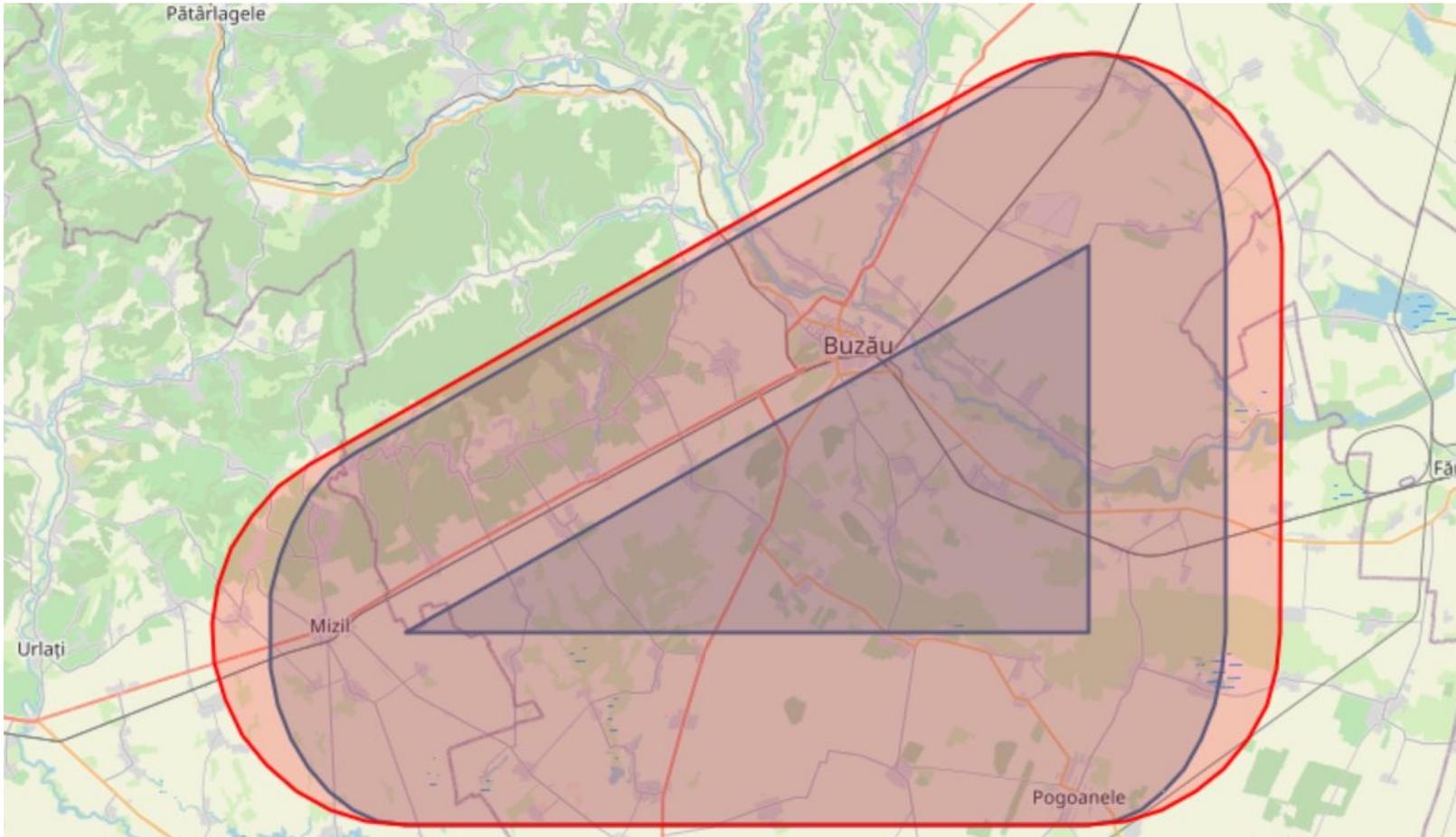


## H3 grid functions (based on H3 API)

- `geof:h3CellIdToGeom` (?cellId) -> ?geometry
- `geof:h3CellIdToParent` (?cellId, ?resolution) -> ?parentId
- `geof:h3CellResolution` (?cellId) -> ?resolution
- `geof:h3GridDistance` (?cellId1, ?cellId2) -> ?distanceInCells
- `geof:h3IsValidCell` (?cellId) -> yes/no
- `geof:h3LongLatAsCellId` (?long, ?lat, ?resolution) -> ?cellId
- `SELECT (geof:h3ToGeom` (?cellId) AS ?geom)
- ?childId `geo:h3_cellIdToChildren` (?cellId ?resolution)
- ?cellId `geo:h3_geometryToCellIds` (?geometry ?resolution ?fullCover)
- ?cellId `geo:h3_gridDisk` (?centerCellId ?ringSize)

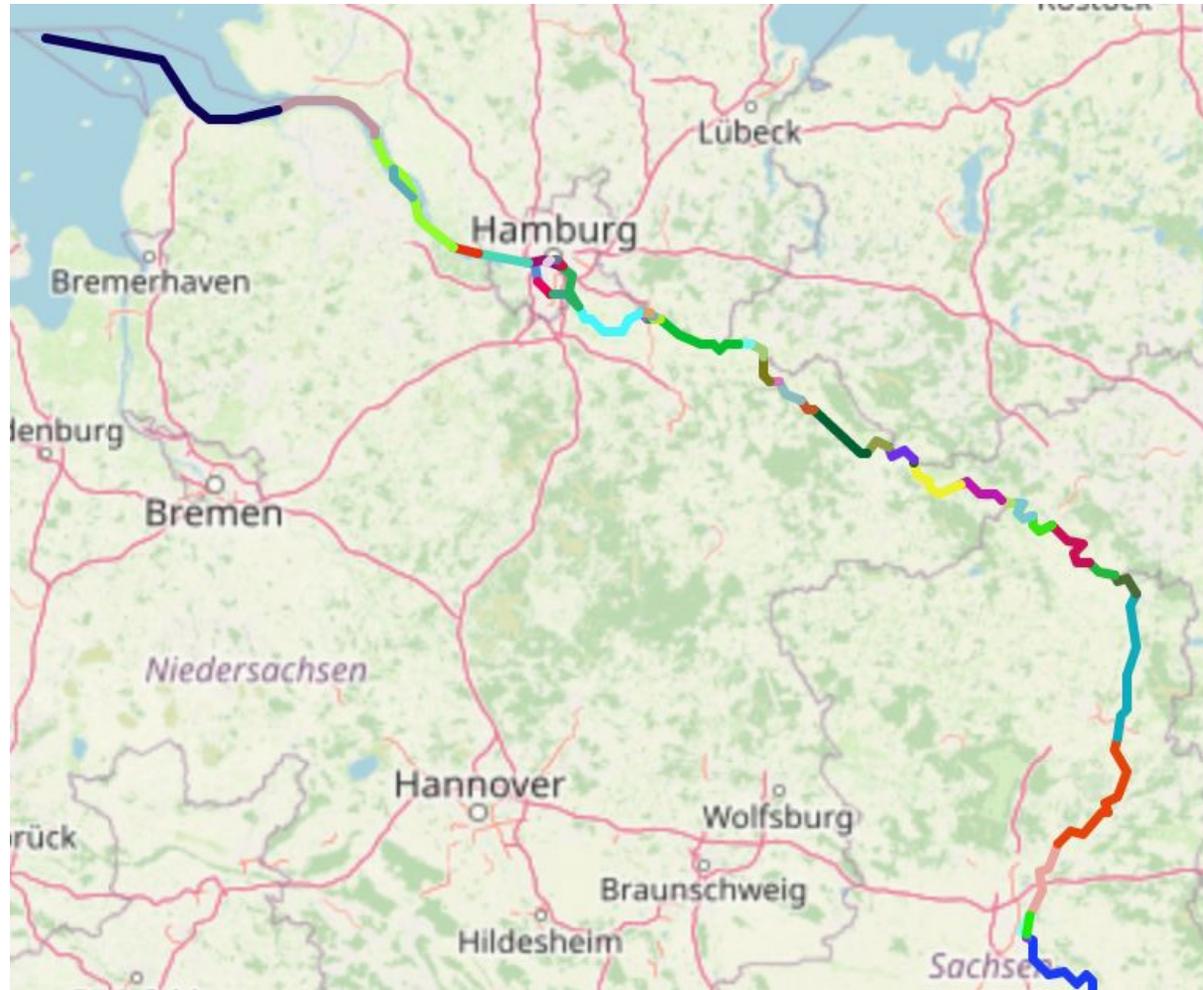


# Issue of non-metric buffering



```
BIND(geof:transform(?geo, <http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/EPSG/0/3844>) AS ?metricGeo)  
BIND(geof:buffer(?metricGeo, 11113.9, uom:metre) AS ?metricBuffered)  
BIND(geof:transform(?metricBuffered, <http://www.opengis.net/def/crs/OGC/1.3/CRS84>) AS  
↪ ?geoBufferedCrs84)
```

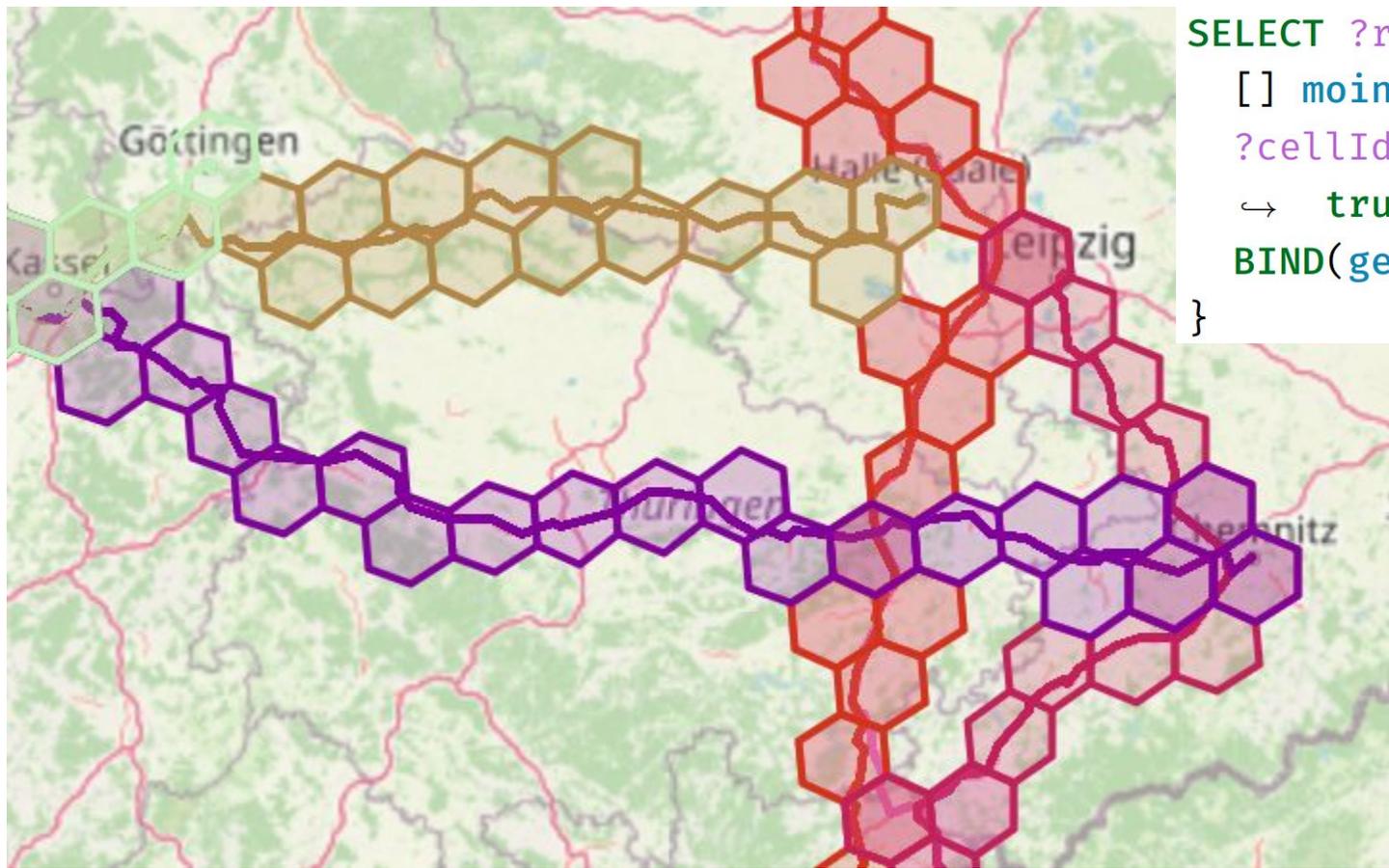
# LineMerge on OSM



```
SELECT
  ## currently implemented:
  (geof:lineMerge(geof:collect(?wayGeom)) AS ?riverGeom)
  ## possible standards suggestion?
  (geof:aggConcatLines(?wayGeom) AS ?riverGeom)
WHERE {
  ?s a osm:relation ;
     osmkey:name "Elbe" ;
     osmrel:member/osm:id ?m .
  ?m geo:hasGeometry/geo:asWKT ?wayGeom .
}
```

**NO**

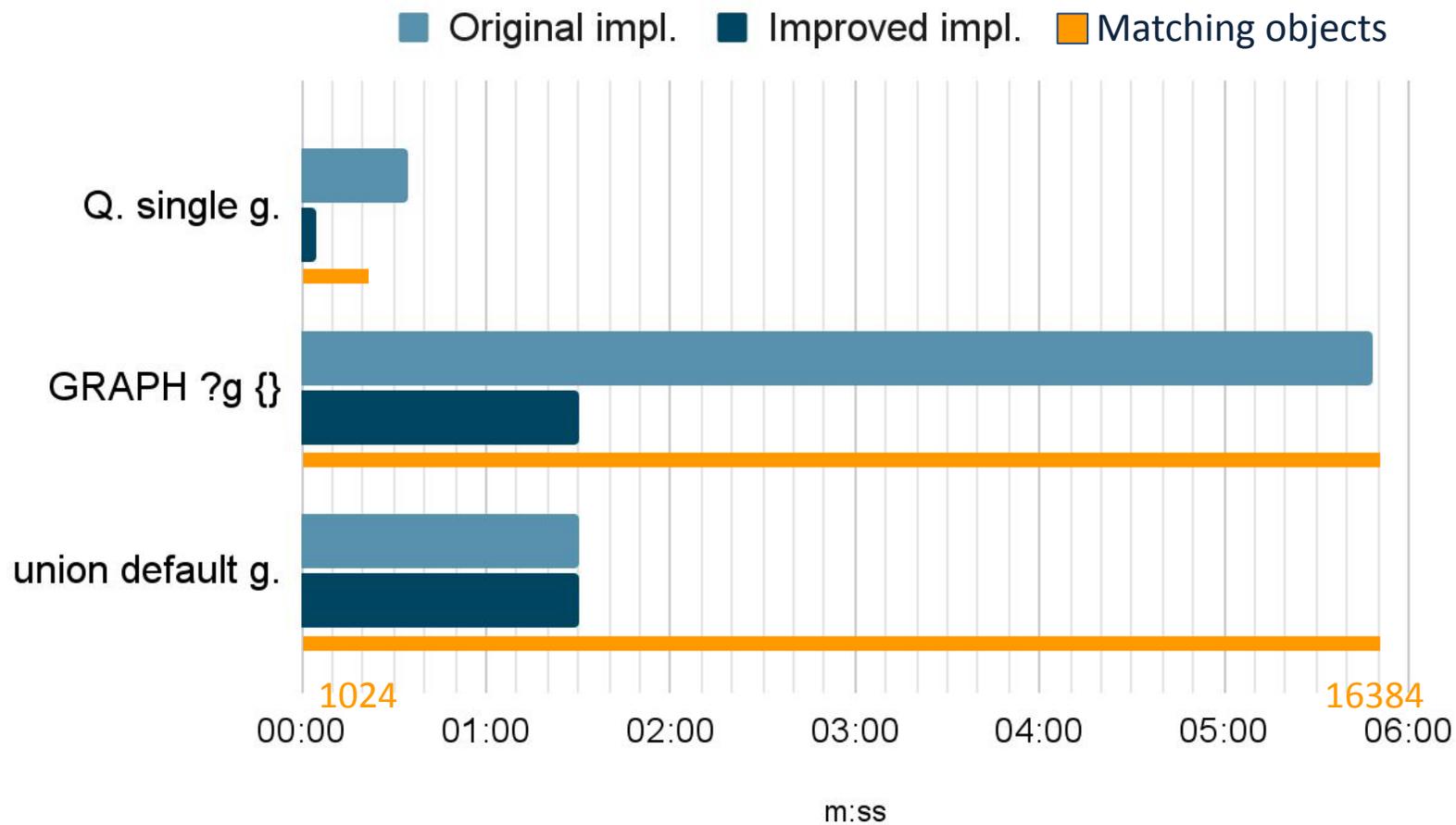
# Transport routes to H3 cells



```
SELECT ?routeLineString ?cellGeom {  
  [] moino:route ?routeLineString .  
  ?cellId geo:h3_geometryToCellIds(?routeLineString 5  
    ↪ true)  
  BIND(geof:h3CellIdToGeom(?cellId) AS ?cellGeom)  
}
```



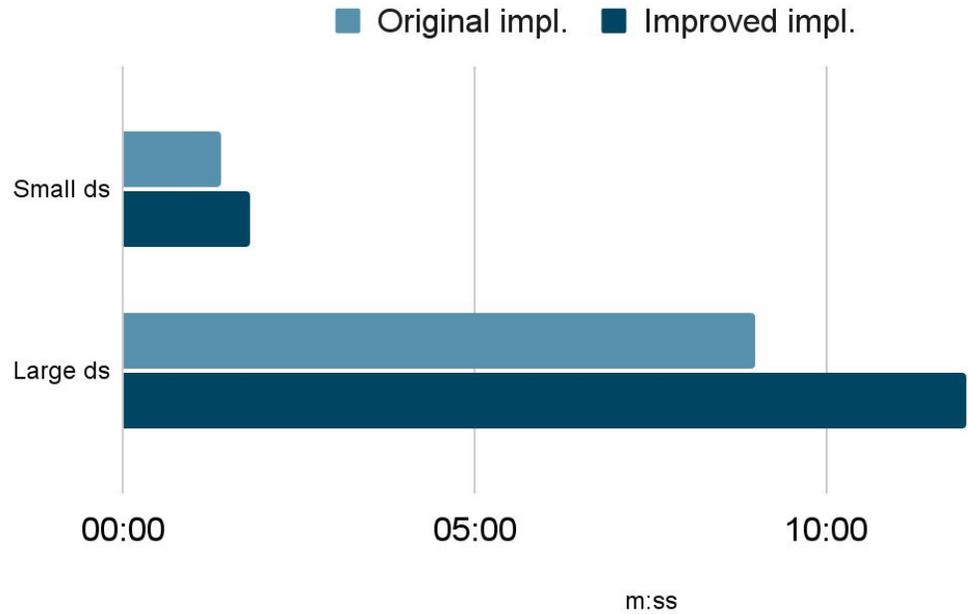
# Query of named graphs performance



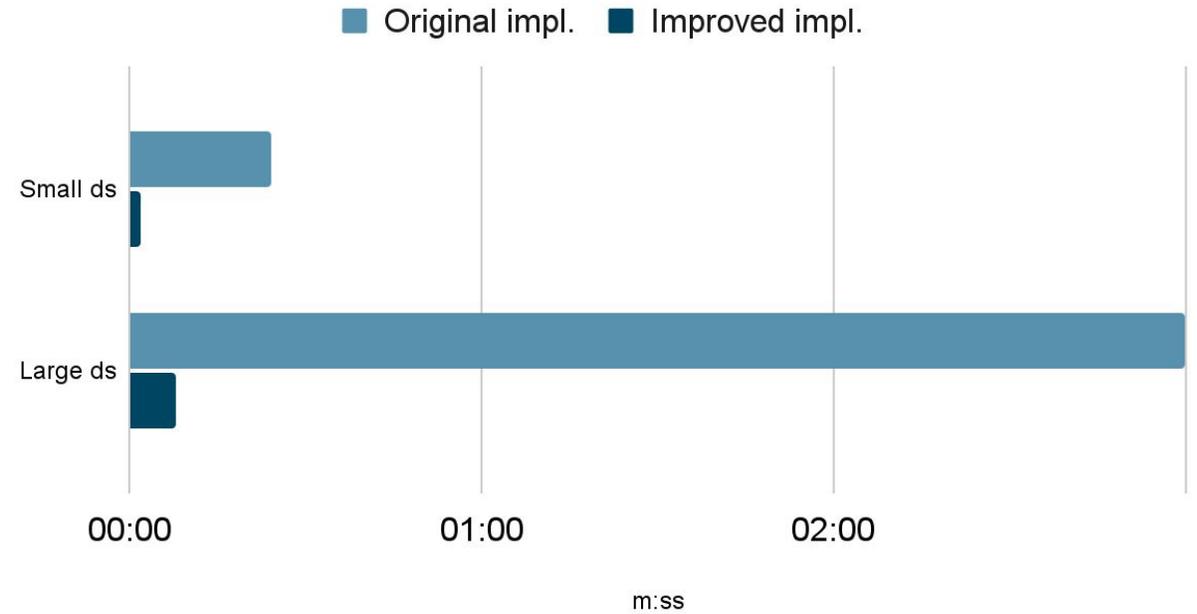
16 graphs  
×  
260k objects

# Index loading performance

Index Build time



Index load time



Small ds: 260k simple polygons  
Large ds: 1 mio. simple polygons

# Inline Javascript for API transformations



```
27 BIND(xml:path(?event_item, "//georss:polygon/text()") as ?polygon_points
28 BIND(json:je("""
29   let arr = $0.split(' ')
30   let res=[]
31   for (var i = 0 ; i < arr.length - 1; i = i + 2) {
32     res.push(arr[i + 1] + ' ' + arr[i])
33   }
34   return res.join(', ')
35   """, ?polygon_points) AS ?value)
36 BIND("POLYGON((" + ?value + ")") as ?wkt)
37 BIND(strdt(?wkt, geo:wktLiteral) as ?geom)
38 }
39 LIMIT 100
40
```



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	geom
1	"POLYGON((11.77606211830873 44.48668204095276, 11.80291361887779 44.4849722331955...
2	"POLYGON((11.87157062501555 44.27663992525394, 11.93386214668788 44.2763158019823...
3	"POLYGON((11.7330331630454 44.48405330348036, 11.84236179092796 44.48296196729031,...

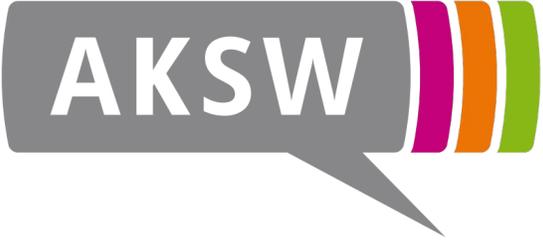
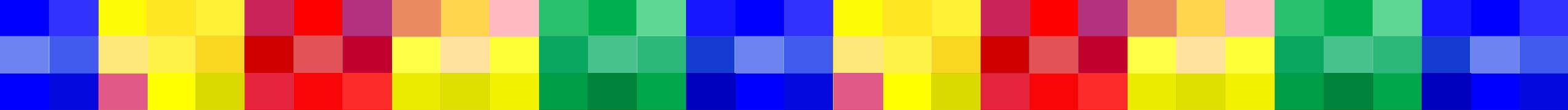


## Next steps

- Implement/align/evaluate DGGS + H3
- Work on upstreaming changes
- Research local CRS  $\Leftrightarrow$  differences in calculation of area and length arise (euclidean vs. on ellipsoid)

## Links

- Apache Jena: <https://jena.apache.org/>  
Changes: <https://github.com/AKSW/jena/tree/coypu>
- Online geo-index module for Apache Jena Fuseki:  
<https://github.com/AKSW/fuseki-mods/tree/adaptions/jena-fmod-geosparql>
- JenaX extension module: <https://github.com/Scaseco/jenax>
- Demo endpoint: <https://geosparql.aksw.org/>



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