## Using Road Network (LRS)

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## Outline:

1.Problem information, first thoughts, and choosing a solution
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3.Setting the data up
4.Running the procedure
5.Examining the results
6.Other uses for pgRouting

## Problem:

Find all bridges, state and local, within 1 road mile of the Interstate

## Solution:

pgRouting $\rightarrow$ pgr_withPoints


## Problem

## Survey was sent to our Bridge Division regarding Bridges within a road mile of the Interstate

2. How many bridges (state and local) in your state are within "reasonable access" of the Interstate?

Per the November 3, 2016 FHWA memo: "Reasonable access is defined in a September 30, 1992 NonRegulatory Supplement to 23 CFR Part 658 as at least one-road-mile from access to and from the National Network of highways, which includes the Interstate System, or further if the limits of a State's reasonable access policy for food, fuel, repairs, and rest extend to facilities beyond one-road-mile."

## Options:

1.pgRouting
2.Batch data through the Google Maps Directions API
3.Other spatial options/by hand

## pgRouting

## Pros:

1. Free to use
2. Easy to set up

Cons:

1. Haven't used this solution much

Google Directions API
Pros:

1. Have API key
2. Google does routing well

Cons:

1. Rely on Google GeoCoding
2. Unable to control inputs or look at why things are happening
3. Would have to figure out batch fetches and storing the results for review

Other - Manual measurement solution

## Pros:

1. Eyes on each record

Cons:

1. Too laborious
2. Could easily make a mistake or miss something

The perfect storm and great timing


## FOSS4G Boston 2017

I had privilege of attending the workshops and the conference. Both were very beneficial.
pgRouting Workshops:

http://workshop.pgrouting.org/2.4.11/en/index.html


## FOSS4G Boston

By that evening back at the hotel I had a version of our LRS network routing in a web browser using GeoServer and Openlayers.

Learned basics of routing and functions and did a few relatively straightforward examples.

From this experience I felt pretty confident that I could get the answer to the bridges within 1 road mile of the interstate.

## FOSS4G Boston

Luckily I purchased this book:

## pgROUIING

Found the function and code that I needed in the book!

Setting the data up:
You will need to get Postgresql running and have PostGIS and pgRouting extensions installed.

Follow these instructions:
https://github.com/pgRouting/pgrouting/wiki/Download\%3AWindows

Setting the data up:

1. You need a nodes feature and a network feature
2. Open Street Map Data
1.Good tools to use this data exist osm2pgrouting
3. I used our Arnold LRS
4. You could route without geometry, but it helps to visualize
5. LRS Control Point Feature is used to create the source and target information needed for routing.
6. This control point feature can be tied together with our Dyn seg'd MLRS output in a query.
```
select COUNTY ,ROUTE_ID ,PASS_DIR,SEG_NO ,MP_START ,MP_END,
(select route_class from route_class where route_class.sri = mlrs_dyn_out.sri)
as route_class,
SRI,INV_NO,GEOMETRYREVERSED,COUNTY_ID ,ID1,M_LENGTH
,WM_VALIDFROM,WM_VALIDTILL,GEOMETRY,
(SELECT gt_control_point_id
FROM gt_control_measure
WHERE Irm_control_sequence = 1
AND gt_control_measure.gt_lrm_id = id1
)
AS
SOURCE,
(SELECT gt_control_point_id
FROM gt_control_measure
WHERE Irm_control_sequence = 2
AND gt_control_measure.gt_lrm_id = id1
)
AS
TARGET
from mlrs_dyn_out; MLRS Created from multiple procedures in Oracle
```

pgRouting produces an aggregate cost for a particular route request

This can be as simple as the length of the segments and partial segments used
You could really use anything as your cost i.e. carbon emissions, congestion, LOS
Any Data tied to the LRS can be used
Other useful data items to tack on to your network include:

1. Speed Limit
2. Divided Indicator
3. One way/ Two way indicator
4. AADT
5. Capacity

## LRS Basics

1. Using a linear geometry or set of linear geometries with defined measures to locate point or linear events
2. Project Stationing, Mile Posts on the Interstate, County Route Log Mile Referencing






If direction of route doesn't matter, the base network with source and target is sufficient for routing

In this problem we were dealing with emergency vehicles and the assumption of direction didn't matter was made

For practical/normal routing you would want to use a directed graph and only travel down the route in the appropriate direction

Cost and Reverse cost will dictate the directed graph routes

If you don't have nodes with the source and target information, pgRouting provides a tool to create this based on the Geometry relationships and vertices connections.
pgRouting also has built in analysis functions to find common issues with graphs or networks

You can run these to find dead ends and connected nodes without breaks in the network

You really put your network under the microscope when you start routing on it!!




These issues aren't found with the utilities
We are still sorting through some issues that haven't come up until we started routing
"Other than normal maintenance I think this will be the last thing we have to fix!"
-Evan Wright 2013,14,15,n...

Loading the data: shp2pgsql or-gui
Tip: Check your geometry type and make sure it isn't multiline when it is loaded in postgis.

You can convert to a regular polyline if need be.
Dijkstra will run on multiline
Anything calculating a partial cost will not work with multiline (for me this was the case)

Network and Nodes loaded, now what? Identify the nodes that we will use to say we've reached the interstate.
Select nodes that are a source or target for a network link with route class of IH (Interstate) and a RAMP link

```
id in
(
select a.id from
(
select source as id from mdot_Irs where route_clas = 'IH'
union
select target as id from mdot_Irs where route_clas = 'IH')a
inner join
(
select source as id from mdot_Irs where route_clas = 'RAMP'
union
select target as id from mdot_Irs where route_clas = 'RAMP')b
on a.id = b.id)
```





## Steps to final product:

1. Table with ID of Bridge and ID of Network Node at Interstate
2. Create function that accepts these ids and grabs the geometries from the right table and passes it to the with points function
3. SQL loop query to pass one row at a time to the function and write results to a table
4. Query table for Node ID and Bridge ID that have max cost <=1 Mile


Final Thoughts:

1. Using a directed graph is ideal
2. Need to have 1 way attributed when doing this
3. Channels and Crossovers are VERY important to your base network

What other uses are there?

## Still thinking of Bridges:

1. Detour Length Calculations for Bridges




Portable Traffic Count Placement Order and Route:

1. What is a good guess at best placement order
2. Route to the sites


How to tackle the order and route?

1. Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)

Finds shortest route that visits all points once and returns to origin.
2. How applicable is this to a roadway system.
3. How can we mitigate the jumping that doesn't make driving sense.
4. Associate each count point to it's roadway piece and then use both start and end vertex in order to force the routing to traverse the entire path.
5. Alternate thought is to utilize points along each count route, leading to and away, from each count point to further reinforce the route and tie it more to the road





## Other Thoughts:

1. How practical is it to try and do 47 counts in one trip?
2. Should counts be divided by part of the county?
3. Could estimate total drive time based on length and speed limit to see what could be done.

## Web Based Routing

1. Could use to find "path" for project/query extents
2. Control input and determine what routes to use
3. Can either create views for specific route type or modify the query in real time which is a very powerful feature that distinguishes this solution from others
4. Could look up AADT values, FC values, anything tied to LRS could be identified and quantified


## Parameterized View in GeoServer

WFS Call with OpenLayers
http://localhost:8o8o/geoserver/ows?service=WFS\&version=2.0. o\&request=GetFeature\&typeName=pgrouting:pg_w_pts\&outpu tformat=application/json\&srsname=EPSG:3857\&viewparams=x1 :-90.18458035859194;y1:32.30257251737373;×2:90.17740240151231;y2:32.30085486024471




Point of Interest Routing Hotel to Clinton Library

1. Downloaded the OSM data for Little Rock area
2. Loaded it in PostGIS with osm2pgrouting




## Catchment Areas:

I enjoy running and especially enjoy running in new cities so how far can I run at 7 miles an hour in 45 minutes? 22.5 minutes in one direction.

What kind of routes do I want to run on?
Using same OSM data I created catchment areas based on the class id of routes.

1. Any route
2. No Major Routes

## ), 4326) as geom;

General code from pgRouting book, modified for running speed dictating cost.

Make sure units of cost match the units you specify for distance in the function call.


How accurate was our catchment area??

Tested the morning of my presentation!

Actual Average speed 6.92 mph . Only ran for 43:18.


Observations:
On Street lighting $\rightarrow B$ Capitol Building $\rightarrow$ A+ Sidewalks $\rightarrow \mathrm{B}+$ Hills $\rightarrow$ A

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Future Plans:

1. Move data off of my Surface Laptop to a server Done
2. Publish newest version of LRS with routing info Done
3. Import OSM data as well to route on and compare
4. Optimize routing queries

In Progress
5. Eliminate dead ends

In Progress
6. Apply to other problems in DOT
a. Use Travelling Salesman Problem to order the collection of traffic data and HPMS sample data
Done!!

Thank you! Any Questions?


