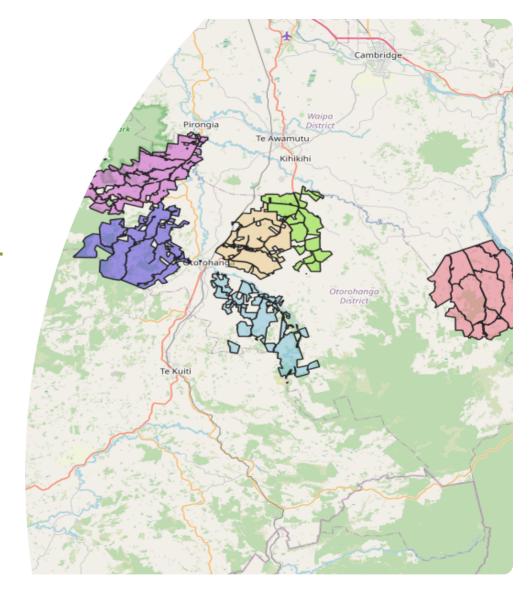
My first steps into free and open source software – GeoNode 3

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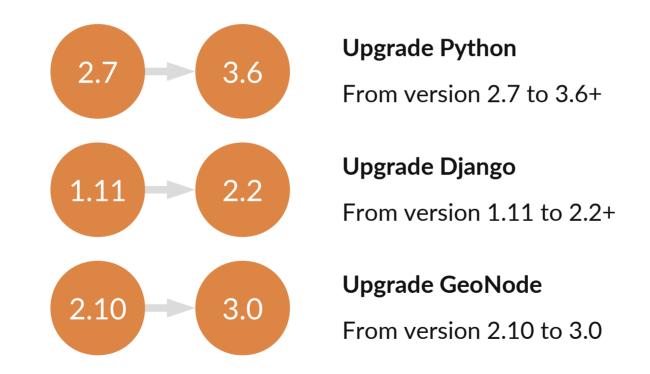
My Background

- No prior GIS experience
- FOSS user but no contributions
- BE(Hons) Computer Engineering



How did I get started?

The Task



Process



Dependencies

Seek out and update external dependencies to cross-compatible versions



Core Modules

Upgrade GeoNode's internal core modules to be Python 3 compliant



Bug-fixing

Apply patches to fix issues introduced during upgrade of dependencies and core modules

GeoNode 3.0 and 2.10.4 are out!



This Post is gonna kick things off by summarizing the latest releases 2.10.4 and GeoNode 3.

Yeah, you understood correctly, there is a new major version out now. However, let's start at the beginning.

With the life of Python 2.7 ending in 2020 — it is a matter of course; GeoNode needing an overhaul for python 3 compatibilities.

To stick with clarity and precision, the development team has decided to give the new child a name as major version: GeoNode 3 was born!

Alongside a lot of helping hands inside our community, two major contributors took the challenge in doing the main work on the Code Base of GeoNode 3. Namly Geosolutions (Italy) and Catalyst (New Zealand). The ladder being a relatively new contributor — concerning our community, and we'd love to see more contributions!

Both releases fix several minor, major and security issues. Further GeoNode 3 brings several new features you should not miss!

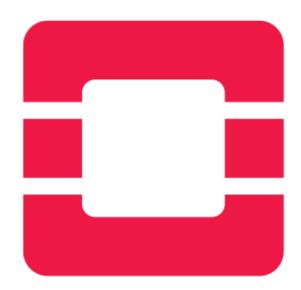
★ Features GeoNode 3

- Python upgrade 3.7+
- . Django upgrade 2.2.12
- GeoServer upgrade 2.16.2
- · Moved Documentation to dedicated repository and build
- · Integration of MapStore as new map viewer/composer
- . Drop of GeoExt, with MapStore client as the new official one
- Local analytics/monitoring extension

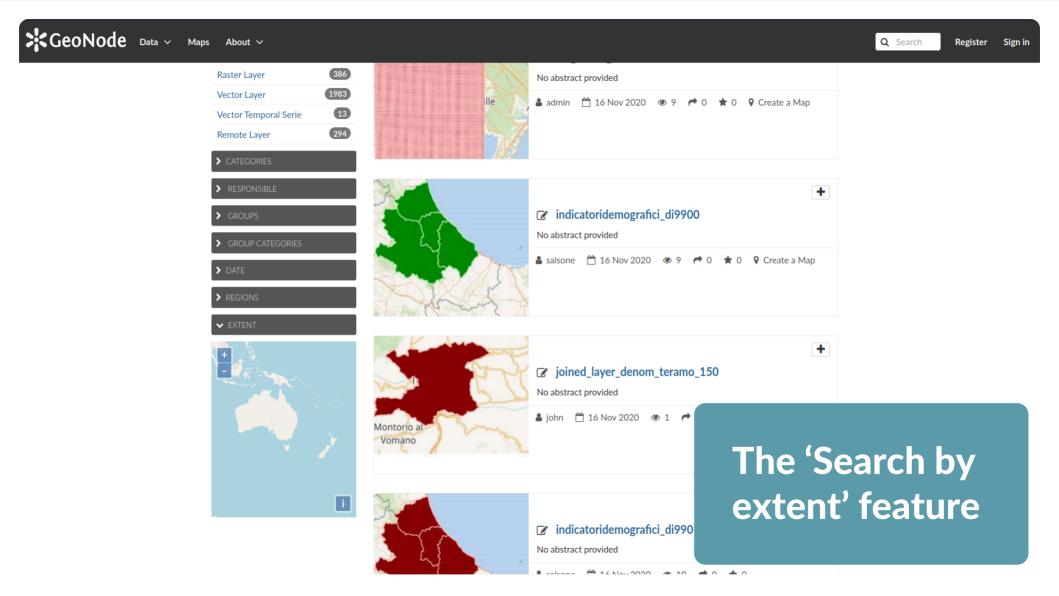
GeoNode 3.0 Release: 18 May 2020

Integration with OpenStack

- Improvement to GeoNode by adherence to the Django file storage API
- Allows use of the django-storage-swift
 Django app
- Use to store static files, user uploads etc.



A Final Problem



Search By Extent

- A feature to filter content by area on the world map
- Content area specified by a bounding box of four coordinate pairs



Search By Extent

- Fetching content by bounding box is not ideal relies on custom queries performed by Django
- PostGIS provides functions to query based on polygon
- Replace all bounding box references to PolygonField types



My Thoughts on Open Source

Contributing to Open Source



Documentation

Wiki pages, readme, doc strings, comments



Procedures

Contributor's agreement, pull requests, issues



Code Quality

Structure, coupling, conventions



Application

Background knowledge, context – e.g. GIS

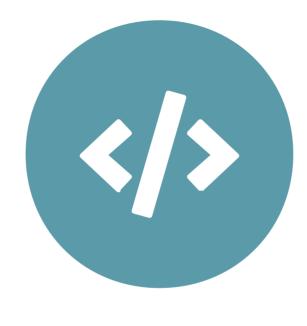
It can be far more difficult to get started if a project is lacking in any of these areas (with the exception of 'Application')

Documentation

- One location
- Categorised
- Link important documentation in the repository readme
- 'How to Contribute' section at beginning
- Include FAQs
- Describe repository structure



```
$ find . -type f -name "*.py" -exec wc -l {} + | sort -n -k 1 | tail -n 10
  1475 ./geonode/layers/tests.py
   1612 ./geonode/security/tests.py
  1756 ./geonode/layers/views.py
  1941 ./geonode/base/models.py
  1954 ./geonode/monitoring/models.py
  2108 ./geonode/settings.py
  2181 ./geonode/utils.py
  2271 ./geonode/geoserver/helpers.py
   2727 ./geonode/monitoring/tests/integration.py
  96746 total
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Code Quality

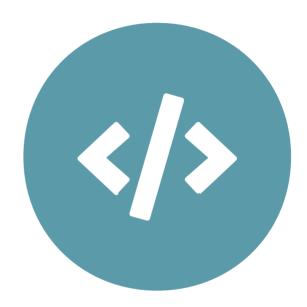
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1614 def set resource default links(instance, layer, prune=False, **kwargs):
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         from geonode.base.models import Link
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         from django.urls import reverse
         from django.utils.translation import ugettext
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         # Prune old links
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         if prune:
             logger.debug(" -- Resource Links[Prune old links]...")
1622
             def link types = (
1623
                 'data', 'image', 'original', 'html', 'OGC:WMS', 'OGC:WFS', 'OGC:WCS')
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             Link.objects.filter(resource=instance.resourcebase ptr, link type in= def link types).delete()
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1626
             logger.debug(" -- Resource Links[Prune old links]...done!")
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legend url = urljoin(base url, legend url)
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             Link.objects.update or create(
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                 resource=instance.resourcebase ptr.
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                 name='Legend',
                 defaults=dict(
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                      extension='png',
                     url=legend url,
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                     mime='image/png',
                     link type='image',
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set_resource_default_links
456 lines

Code Quality

- Comment complex sections, functions, classes
- Accomplish one task per function
- Each unit should work on its own
- Multiple repositories where appropriate



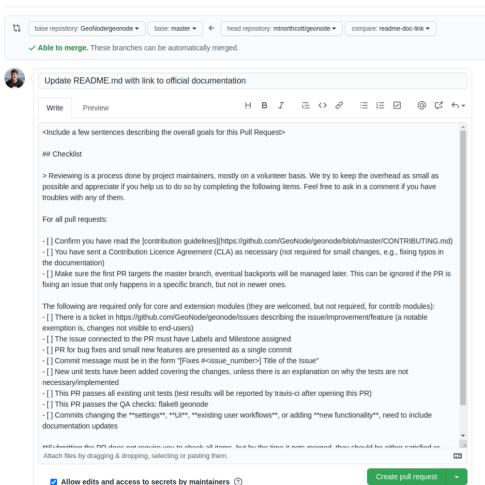
Procedures

- Make a demo available in one command
- Use one communication platform and document how to access it
- Use pull request and issue templates for consistency
- Define a code review process and document it



Open a pull request

Create a new pull request by comparing changes across two branches. If you need to, you can also compare across forks.



Helpful resources

Contributing
Code of conduct
GitHub Community Guidelines

Pull request templates

(i) Remember, contributions to this repository should follow its contributing guidelines and code of conduct.

Reflection

Thanks for Listening

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